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Construction worker gets helicopter rescue

PINE CONE STAFF

A CONSTRUCTION worker who fell 20 feet from a ladder while working inside a Pacific Grove home was airlifted to a San Jose trauma center last Thursday. The condition of the man, whose name Pacific Grove Fire Department would not release, is unknown.

According to assistant fire chief Dave Brown, emergency crews were dispatched to the home on Balboa Avenue shortly before 6 p.m. Sept. 18.

"He was doing some painting or plastering," Brown said. "He was working on top of a ladder and fell off," landing on a plywood floor.

Deciding a trauma center would be better equipped to treat the worker's injuries, emergency workers summoned a CALSTAR helicopter, which landed on the playing field at Pacific Grove Middle School to retrieve the patient brought there by



PHOTO/PAUL MILLER

While soccer-playing teens watched from the sidelines, a helicopter landed at Pacific Grove Middle School Sept. 18 to rescue a construction worker who was injured in a fall.

ambulance.

The helicopter took the man to the Regional Medical Center of San Jose, according to Brown.

"He was conscious when he was transported," he said. "But he didn't look good when I saw him."

Anticipating mudslides, Big Sur residents to create emergency response team

By CHRIS COUNTS

UNSURE HOW much help they will receive from government agencies if winter rains trigger devastating mudslides, a handful of Big Sur residents have decided to prepare themselves for the worst.

The group is encouraging Big Sur residents to form a community emergency response team. Administered by the Department of Homeland Security, the CERT program trains residents in basic disaster response skills such as fire safety, search and rescue operations, and first aid.

In addition to helping deal with anticipated mudslides, the CERT program could also allow some Big Sur residents to stay near their homes when disaster strikes. During the recent Basin Complex and

Indians fires, which burned more than 240,000 acres, most Big Sur residents were ordered to evacuate — an order that was ignored by many, including a few who ended up in conflicts with law enforcement when they tried to defend their homes. But the CERT program would add the resources and skills of individual residents into an organized — and presumably government-sanctioned — emergency response effort.

With entire hillsides stripped of vegetation as a result of the summer wildfires, officials now worry that mudslides could devastate rural communities still struggling to recover from the fire. In particular, Pheneger, Juan Higuera, Graves, Castro, Torre and Partington creeks

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ER DOCTOR CHOSEN FOR SCHOOL BOARD

By MARY BROWNFIELD

A BILINGUAL emergency-room physician with four kids in Carmel public schools joined the Carmel Unified School District Board of Education Sept. 22. Carmel Valley resident John Ellison was one of seven applicants interviewed Sept. 9 and was selected on a 3-1 vote.

"I've had some people call with the congratulations/condolences type of thing," he said the following day. "But I am very excited."

In addition to working as an ER doctor at Community Hospital, Ellison helped launch Monterey Bay Urgent Care in 1999 and serves as its president. But he said his life really revolves around his twins, Maggie and Peter, who are in second grade at Tularcitos; son Jack, a fifth grader there; and daughter Edie, who attends seventh grade at Carmel Middle.

A 13-year Monterey Peninsula resident, Ellison and his wife, Kristine, moved with their family to Carmel Valley eight years ago. His time there and his experiences as a CUSD dad inspired him to seek appointment to the school board.

"It's a natural thing to be involved in something that your life is focusing around anyway," he said. "I'm impressed with the education they've received in the Carmel school system. It's a highly functioning organization, but like anything else, it needs to be constantly growing and changing to meet the needs of its students."

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John Ellison

Raccoon attack leaves woman injured

By MARY BROWNFIELD

ALISA DEZEE and her yellow Lab, Roxy — newly relocated with their family from metropolitan Los Angeles — received an unwanted welcome from Carmel's most infamous wildlife: the raccoon. Last Sunday night, a particularly large one chased and attacked DeZee and her Lab, resulting in quarantine for the dog and rabies shots for her owner.

DeZee, who lives on Guadalupe Street near the Forest Theater, had let Roxy out into the lit backyard around 11:15 p.m. Sept. 14.

"This big raccoon came tearing out of the bushes and attacked her," she said. As the 55-pound Labrador grappled with the large raccoon, DeZee yelled from the doorway for her dog to get in the house.

Roxy broke away and ran, with the raccoon giving chase.

DeZee thought that once her dog was inside she could slam the door in time to keep the masked pursuer out.

"But they just knocked the door and me out of the way and came in," she said.

Inside, the raccoon decided to go after DeZee, leaping up and biting her on the back of her upper thigh.

Surprised, bleeding and in pain, she recalled "screaming and spinning around and knocking stuff over."

Her awakened husband rushed down the stairs and turned on the light as DeZee fled into a nearby bedroom where one of their children slept. He opened doors and somehow got the creature out of the house.

"My husband has been traveling, and 95 percent of the time I've been here alone, but he came back that night," she

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P.G. to vote on pension plan withdrawal

By KELLY NIX

WHEN VOTERS in Pacific Grove take to the polls Nov. 4, they will be asked if the city should abandon the state public employees retirement system, something no other city in California has done.

Because of skyrocketing costs from participating in CalPERS, the P.G. City Council in July voted to put a referendum — later called Measure Y — on the ballot to allow residents to give an advisory vote on whether to do away with the retirement package in favor of a 401(k)-type plan.

"No city or employer that has been affiliated with CalPERS has ever withdrawn or terminated their relationship with CalPERS, to the best of our knowledge," said Edd Fong, a spokesman for the state plan.

CalPERS offers a retirement plan based on the number of years an employee has worked, when he retires and his highest salary. It covers employees who work for many state and local government agencies in California, which can be very convenient for people who change jobs.

While opting out of CalPERS could save the cash-strapped Pacific Grove millions of dollars in the long

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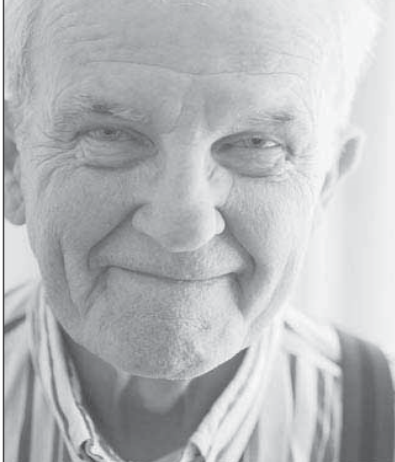
Dance Kids announces return to Sunset Center



Ballerina Jade Suyematsu joined Sunset Center director Peter Lesnik and Dance Kids owners Alan and Carol Richmond this week in announcing the group's return. See page 36A.

Inside: Winners of the 2008 Golden Pine Cones ...

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Architect hired to design Scenic restrooms

By MARY BROWNFIELD

A CARMEL architecture firm will be paid \$18,664 to gather information about permit requirements, meet with city decision makers and develop a schematic design for public restrooms at the south end of Carmel Beach. And if the city council likes what it sees, the architects will get \$37,095 more to complete the architectural design, prepare bid documents and administer construction as needed.

The Carmel City Council approved the contract with Carver + Schicketanz Architects Sept. 9 to take the first step toward having permanent bathrooms in place of the two porta-potties that have been there for the past several years.

The California Coastal Commission permitted the city to install those temporary toilets, city administrator Rich Guillen told the council, "but in the Local Coastal Program policies, we are to strive toward permanent restrooms in that location."

He asked architect Rob Carver to submit a proposal to the city for permanent bathrooms at Scenic and Santa Lucia Avenue, and while details are far from final, Carver estimated the project might cost \$314,655.

But that high price includes solar hot water, an outdoor shower and foot wash, a dog bowl, waste and recycling receptacles, a drinking fountain and other elements some council members found unnecessary.

"I think the shower might be conducive to homeless people living on the beach," Mayor Sue McCloud commented, adding that people use the faucets on the stairs to wash sand off their feet and water their dogs. In addition, waste cans are in place all along the beach bluff walkway.

Councilwoman Karen Sharp agreed and also suggested the bathrooms be unisex and include waterless urinals. Warm water would be nice, but is not necessary, and she also worried the proposal to have the building's floor 10 feet below street level in order to lower its profile could damage the beach bluffs.

"I'm curious about how this is going to work," she said. "I have a concern about that."

Guillen reminded the council Carver's list of amenities was simply a preliminary concept that could be whittled down, and though he had recommended approving the full \$55,759 for the design work as the firm had proposed, he agreed the council could instead commit phase by phase, obligating it only to the first \$18,664 until it decides to proceed.

Councilman Ken Talmage said he thought that would be

prudent, considering the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary or the coastal commission might put the kibosh on the project.

City attorney Don Freeman also weighed in, saying he wanted to "get picky" regarding some of the proposed fees. Carver + Schicketanz would impose a 15 percent service charge on all reimbursable items, and goods sold to the city would be billed at cost plus 30 percent, plus sales tax.

"I've never seen that," said Freeman, who found those fees excessive, even for a government contract. "It seems fairly high to me."

Former councilwoman Barbara Livingston applauded the council for moving forward with plans to build bathrooms at Scenic and Santa Lucia.

"And I'm glad to see you're trying to put some constraints on costs," she said.

With its stated objections to the service charges and a request to keep the plans simple, the council unanimously voted to approve the first phase of the contract.

Firm to determine impacts of Carmel Sands overhaul

A CONSULTANT has been hired to assess any environmental damage that might be done by demolishing the Carmel Sands Lodge and replacing it with an upscale boutique hotel.

The Carmel City Council approved a contract with Pacific Municipal Consultants this month — with the property owners, not taxpayers, footing the bill.

Last month, one of the owners of the Carmel Sands Lodge brought a proposal to the planning commission that includes tearing down the dated 42-room lodge and 120-seat Carmel Chop House at San Carlos and Fifth, and replacing them with a Mediterranean-style hotel that will contain 58 rooms, a small bar and lounge, a day spa, a 76-space underground parking garage and an interior courtyard.

Because the project involves replacing the old motel with a slightly larger hotel, the environmental consultant speculated the only problems would be noise and air pollution during construction, and a small increase in traffic once the project is finished.

As a result, a full-blown environmental impact report might not be necessary, according to PMC.

When the consultants finish their study, they will determine how much additional review will be required in order to satisfy California Environmental Quality Act requirements.

Without much discussion, the council approved the PMC contract during its Sept. 9 meeting.

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Dog institute wants training facility at former Fort Ord

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By KELLY NIX

THE FOUNDERS of the Institute for Canine Studies are hoping to build a facility in Marina that would solidify the Monterey Peninsula as the nation's premier destination for all things dog.

The organizers of ICS envision a large campus in Marina where the primary goal is to train people to teach dogs to be "service" animals.

"It's a facility to train people to train dogs," said Joel Gambord, co-chair of the Institute for Canine Studies, who along with his wife, Dena, helped found ICS.

The Gambords got the idea of the dog facility after their son, Richard, 45, diagnosed with multiple sclerosis, was placed on a lengthy waiting list to receive a dog to help him with his condition.

"He called me up and said, 'Dad, there is three- to five-year wait to get a dog,'" explained Gambord. "And I said, 'you've got to be kidding me.' I said, 'let's see if we can do something about that.'"

Dogs can be trained to help diabetics and those with with seizures, MS and other disabilities perform simple tasks such as picking things up.

"I started looking around for land to build a facility to boost the supply of [service] dogs for those who need them," he said.

The search led him and co-chair Martha Diehl to a large parcel of land in Marina.

"We are looking for a fair amount of land," Diehl said.

"We are talking in the 50-acre range."

Diehl said she and the Gambords envision a large-scale, nationally recognized dog facility that would host a variety of dog-related events including dog shows comparable to the renowned Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show held in New York City.

"We want to have Westminster on the West Coast," Diehl said.

The ICS campus would include indoor and outdoor training and event facilities designed to host regional scale dog events like dog shows and provide a place for ongoing training, classes, workshops and seminars of all kinds.

The institute would likely also include public dog parks and community education programs promoting safe, healthy and responsible dog ownership, such as puppy training classes, obedience classes and training and testing for companion dog qualifications.

The facility could also train people to train search and rescue dogs, dogs who sniff out explosives and other services,

Gambord said.

Other nonprofit organizations, the Santa Rosa-based Assistance Dog Institute (ADI) and Pups for Peace, plan to join ICS. In fact, ADI offers various college degrees in canine-related studies, something ICS hopes to also offer.

And the Peninsula is an obvious choice for such a facility since there are so many dog lovers in the area, it's organizers contend.

"There is a very, very large dog loving community that would probably support the fundraising we would do on an ongoing basis," he said.

Gambord said he's got the backing to get ICS off the ground.

"We have so far committed \$5 million to an endowment fund," he said, "and it will probably be another [\$5 million] in two to three years."

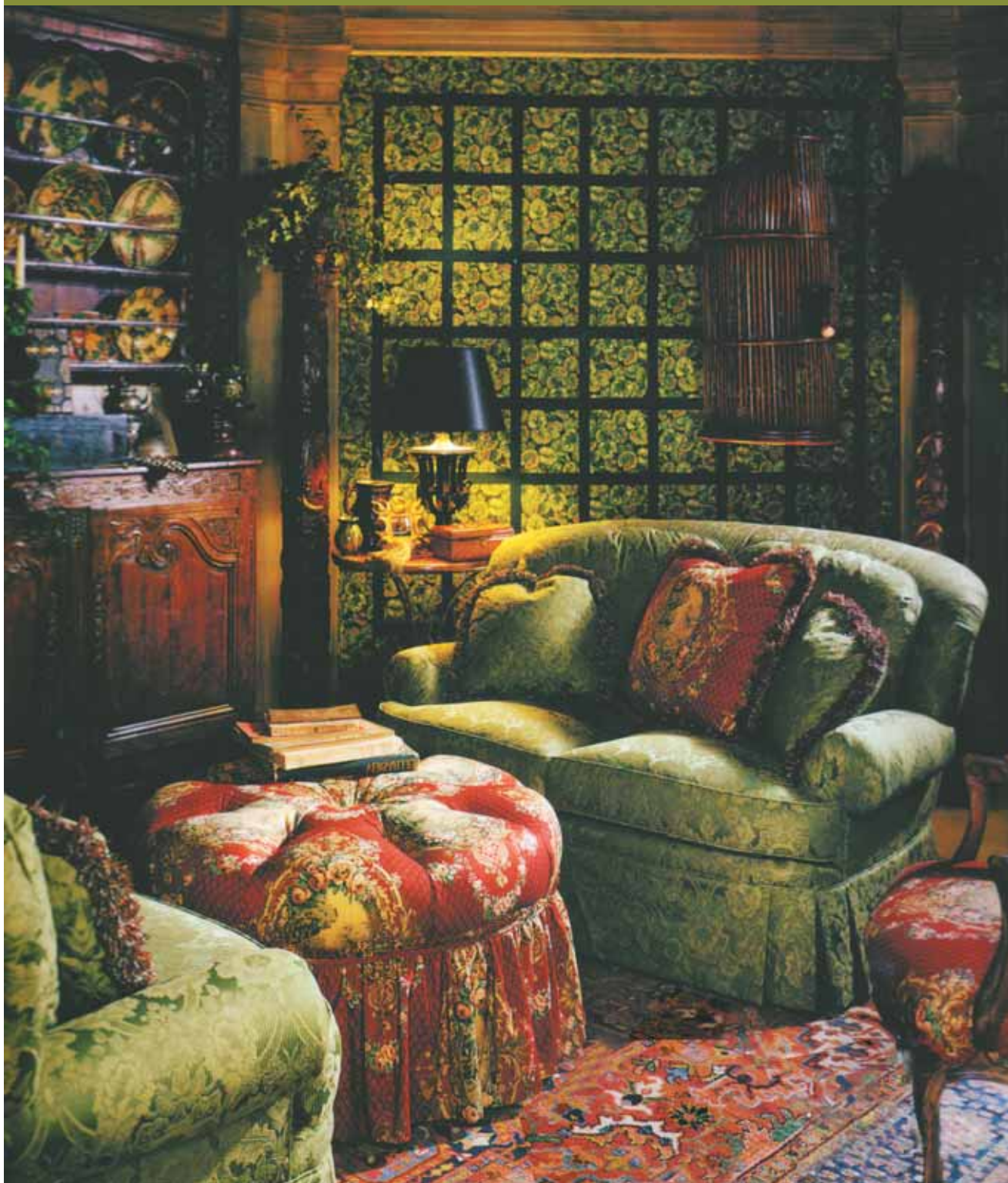
One of the biggest challenges is securing a piece of land.

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with Dan Jones

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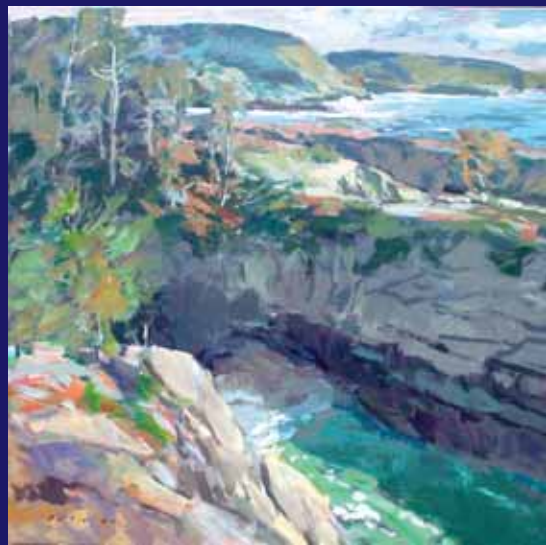
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Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

Plumber: What water shut-off?

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

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Ambulance dispatched to Carmel Valley Road for a vehicle injury accident. Ambulance transported one of three patients to CHOMP Code 2 at 1446 hours.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found earring with stones on Dolores Street.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject reported the loss of a digital camera, possibly in the area of Carmel Beach. If located, please notify.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Torres Street resident reported that on Oct. 24, 2005, her father and stepmother had her 6-year-old daughter and would not tell her where she was located. She stated her father and stepmother had her daughter for approximately two hours before bringing her back home. She stated her father and stepmother do not have legal custody or visitation rights.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance responded to a medical emergency on Dolores Street for a female in her 80s experiencing general weakness, shortness of breath and dizziness. Firefighters assisted ambulance personnel with patient assessment, oxygen administration, monitor hookup, diagnostics, packaging and gathering information. The patient was transported to CHOMP by ambulance.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Ambulance dispatched to Cielo Vista Drive in Monterey for a female with altered level of consciousness.

After a lengthy time trying to convince the patient to be transported, she was taken to CHOMP Code 2.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Ambulance dispatched to a residence for the victim of an assault. Patient transported Code 2 to CHOMP at 1738 hours. Monterey County Sheriff's deputies were also at the residence and arrested a male suspect for spousal abuse and threatening to injure the victim.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine responded to San Carlos Street between Fifth and Sixth for a water pipe break outside of the building. Firefighters shut off the water main, which mitigated the water flow problem. Occupants were advised to contact a licensed plumber for repairs. A check of the property showed no damage from the water pipe break. Cal Am was notified of a frozen main valve at the scene of this call. A repair team was scheduled to respond Monday, Sept. 8.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance dispatched to a report of a medical emergency in a vehicle at Junipero and Eighth. Canceled by Carmel P.D.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire and ambulance crews were committed to an in-house medical emergency for an adult male who walked in complaining of chest pain. The patient was treated on scene for cardiac symptoms and loaded into the ambulance for transport to CHOMP Code 2.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officer responded to a report of a small dog barking on Lincoln Street. No one was at the residence, and a note was left at the front door for the dog owner to contact

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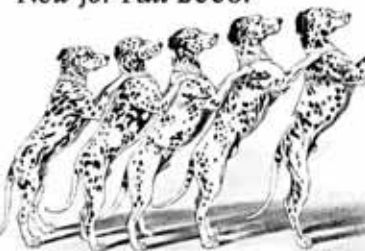
A celebration in memory of LEONA FASS

will be held at the Upper Terrace of the Sunset Center on Wednesday, October 1, 2008 at 6:30 pm

Leona passed away at CHOMP on September 12, two weeks short of her 64th birthday. A native New Yorker, she moved to California to teach computer science and stayed on for many years as an independent scholar in Carmel, a town she loved as much for its people and culture as for its physical beauty.

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Puppy mill bill aims at improving dogs' living conditions

By KELLY NIX

LEGISLATION PROPOSED by Congressman Sam Farr that would crack down on puppy mills is drawing praise from the director of the SPCA for Monterey County.

The Puppy Uniform Protection and Safety Act would require that all dog breeders who sell directly to the public and who sell more than 50 dogs per year be federally licensed and inspected.

"I think it's great legislation," said Gary Tiscornia, SPCA

executive director.

The bill, introduced last week, would also mandate that dogs in high-volume commercial breeding facilities be given the opportunity to walk and exercise for 60 minutes per day. While the Animal Welfare Act regulates the sale of animals breeders who sell to pet stores, Farr's legislation would close a loophole in that law's pre-Internet language because it would regulate puppy mill operators who sell directly to the public — often through online advertising.

"With this legislation," Tiscornia said, "it helps take dogs out of the category of livestock, a category they never should have been in."

The proposed bill, which targets "backyard breeders," will help improve the condition of animals bred in puppy mills, according to Farr and Tiscornia.

"Hundreds of dogs are often crammed into overcrowded, filthy cages with no chance for exercise or social contact," Farr said.

Animals bred in puppy mills are often in poor health and have diseases, Tiscornia said.

"I know of an individual case where [people] bought a standard poodle from an Internet breeder," Tiscornia said. "And the dog came down with parvo [virus]. Fortunately, it survived, but they spent a considerable amount in vet bills."

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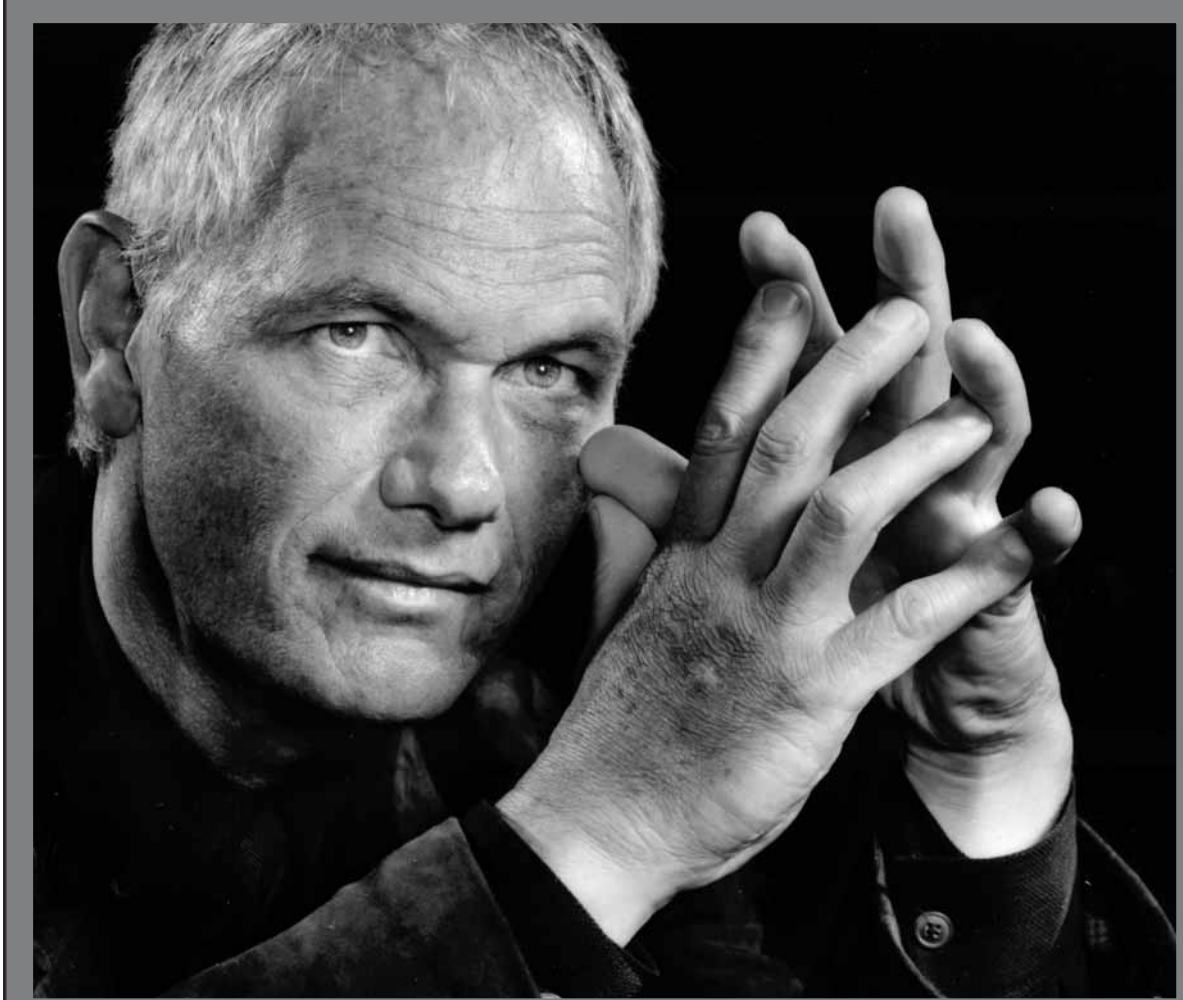
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Draft Environmental Impact Report/ Environmental Assessment Available for Route 1 and Announcement of Open House Public Hearing

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PUBLIC HEARING • WHERE AND WHEN?

Date: Tuesday, October 28, 2008
Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Place: Cambria Veteran's Memorial Building
 1000 Main Street, Cambria, CA 93105

WHY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE?

Caltrans has studied the effects this project may have on the environment. Our studies show it could potentially affect the quality of the environment. The report that explains the potential impacts and mitigation is called an Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment. This notice is to inform you of the preparation of the Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment and of its availability for you to read.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

Beginning Monday, September 29, the Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment will be available for review at the Caltrans District 5 Office at 50 Higuera St., San Luis Obispo, CA 93401, weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The document will also be available for review at:

- San Luis Obispo Library, 995 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo, CA
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and online at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/projects>

The environmental document and design details will also be available at the public hearing.

WHERE DO YOU COME IN?

An Open House format Public Hearing will be held to give you an opportunity to talk about certain design features of the project with Caltrans' staff before the final design is selected. The tentative schedule for the purchase of land for right of way and construction will be discussed, and Caltrans' staff will explain the Department's relocation assistance for residents moved by the project.

Have the potential impacts been addressed? Do you have information that should be included? Your comments will be part of the public record. If you wish to comment on the report, you may submit your written comments until November 12, 2008 to Caltrans, Attention Mike Sandecki, 50 Higuera St., San Luis Obispo, CA 93401. Comments can also be submitted at the public hearing to a court reporter or in written form.

CONTACT

For more information, or to receive a copy of the Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment, contact Mike Sandecki at (805) 542-4689 or email at mike_sandecki@dot.ca.gov. For other State Highway projects, please contact Caltrans District 5 Public Affairs at (805) 549-3318.

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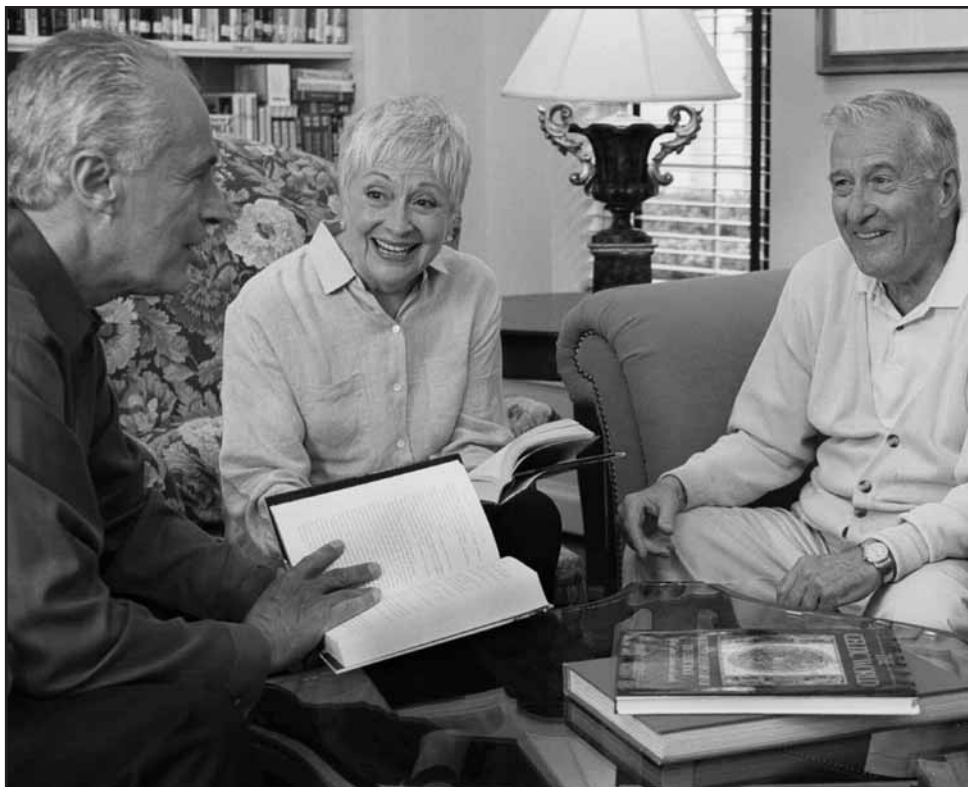
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CPD opts for a brother act

By MARY BROWNFIELD

IF THE new guy at Carmel Police Department is anything like officer Chris Johnson, criminals have one more person to fear. And chances are there will be at least a few similarities, considering they share DNA.

Johnson's younger brother, Gregory Johnson, was sworn in as CPD's newest officer during a ceremony last week at Carmel City Hall. He joins a department in which his older brother is particularly well known for tracking down car thieves, drunk drivers and other scofflaws in the darkness of night.

Many Carmelites know Greg Johnson from his 15 years in the restaurant business, including the last five at Piatti, where he was general manager. Although he enjoyed the work, Johnson said he tired of being confined to a building all day and yearned for something a little more interesting and varied. Riding along with his brother and other officers got him familiar with police work, and he decided he wanted to be a part of it.

"I loved the restaurant business, but after doing it for so long, I never actually felt like it was what I wanted to do in life," he said.

So he left Piatti for the police academy and was hired by Scotts Valley Police Department, where he worked for a year.

For a small department of 22 officers in a 5.5-square-mile city of 11,000 people, he

kept busy, considering Scotts Valley is adjacent to busy Highway 17 and is used as a thoroughfare by people heading elsewhere. One of its main roads is the second busiest in all of Santa Cruz County.

"I learned a lot about drugs, and about accidents," he said, and in working investigations, he learned not to take anything at face value. "I got a lot of exposure, really fast."

While he liked working for Scotts Valley, Johnson wanted a job closer to his Monterey home, where his wife and two children are, and in a town he knows so well.

He was a great candidate, according to Carmel Police Chief George Rawson. In addition to having a year of work experience as an officer, his restaurant stints were a big plus, considering their emphasis on customer service.

"He's going to be a great public servant and a perfect fit for Carmel," Rawson said.

Although employing brother police officers in a small department could spark accusations of unfairness or collusion, Rawson is unconcerned, especially since they are the same rank.

But just to be sure, he'll have them work different shifts.

Chris Johnson said he's glad to have his brother on the payroll.

"He knows the town, knows the people, knows everyone in the department and knows what he's doing," he said.



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Sandy Claws

By Margot Petit Nichols



MOLLIE BRADLEY and Buck Platzer, disparate in age and size, are nevertheless kindred spirits and first cousins who get together for frequent Carmel Beach outings. They both believe decomposing sea life is especially good to roll in.

Mollie, 2, pictured at left, is a Carmel Valley red merle Australian shepherd almost irrepressible in spirit and vitality. She lives in Carmel Valley with Mom Susi and Dad Richard. Mollie is known by many students at Carmel Middle School (where Mom Susi is a science teacher) because she appears on Mom's school website sitting in a boat wearing her life jacket. Mollie came to reside in Carmel Valley when her parents found her through an ad on the back page of the Auto Shopper. Besides playing with cousin Buck, Mollie enjoys boating with the fam – hence the life jacket.

Buck, also known as Buckles, is a mellow 9-year-old golden retriever who lives in Pebble Beach with Mom Dorothea and Dad Max. He does not like to retrieve, but walks on Carmel Beach daily and enjoys tea at the Cypress Inn on a regular basis. He grew up here with Mom and Dad, who have lived in P.B. since the 1970s. Buck enjoys looking decorative in front of the family fireplace, and he's a master of patience and obedience: He can lie with a cookie on his nose and one on each paw without budging until Mom gives the word. Then he throws the nose cookie into the air, catches it and gobbles it down, and eats the other two cookies at his leisure.

Mollie and Buck love being in each other's company. Buck gets to sleep over frequently with Mollie and stay with her when his parents are on a trip. Mom Dorothea said, "We have interchangeable households."

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Out-of-town musicians raise money for Big Sur firefighters

By CHRIS COUNTS

THANKS TO the tireless efforts of local promoter Britt Govea, a couple hundred up-and-coming musical acts have discovered a home-away-from-home in Big Sur. And this weekend, 23 of those acts will return the hospitality when they perform two benefit concerts for the Big Sur Volunteer Fire Brigade.

"It's a way of saluting the firefighters for the role they play in the community," Govea said.

Fernwood Resort presents Festival in the Forest Friday and Saturday, Sept. 26-27. The event will feature performances by the Silver Jews, the Entrance Band, Megapuss, Port O'Brien, Beach House, Citay, the Matt Baldwin Electric Band, Lemonade, Tussle, Fools Gold, White Hills, the Parsons Red Heads, Palo Colorado, the Fresh and Onlys,

Sleepy Sun, Little Joy, Little Wings, the Sam Flax Keener Band and Stay High.

At the Henry Miller Library, meanwhile, singer-songwriter Bonnie Prince Billy shares the bill with the Peggy Young Band Sunday, Sept. 28. Alela Diane and Anthony Crawford will also perform. Bonnie Prince Billy, by the way,

was the first act Govea booked in Big Sur four years ago. "We've come full circle," he observed.

Govea said the performers are playing for only a fraction

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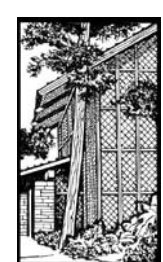
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Cherry Center provides a stage for 'Women's Voices'

By CHRIS COUNTS

IN A world where pop music, television and movies compete for our diminishing attention spans, poetry endures as an art form because of its unique ability to convey emotions. "Poetry provides a voice for some of our deepest feelings," explained Laura Bayless, one of three poets participating in "Women's Voices," a reading Friday, Sept. 26, at the Carl Cherry Center for the Arts.

The event, which was started by the late Bonnie Gartshore more than a decade ago, provides a showcase for a trio of talented local poets.

"It's a celebration of women's voices in literature," explained Robert Reese, executive director of the Cherry Center.

In addition to Bayless, the reading will feature Jennifer Lagier Fellguth and Kate Aver Avraham.

Each reading by the three poets has focused on a common theme. This year's is "The stories we keep."

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Secret lives of artists revealed on studio tour

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE DOORS to more than 60 artists' studios will open this weekend, offering the public a rare opportunity to glimpse the secret lives of those who inhabit them.

The Monterey County Artists' Studio Tour returns for its 19th year Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 27-28, showcasing not only the quality and diversity of the local art scene, but the personalities and techniques of the artists as well.

"To see where an artist works, to see the brushes and the turpentine and the works in progress, to hear the artist's thoughts and musings on the process, this can be a revelation," suggested Erin Gafill, a longtime local artist who will open her Monterey studio.

Gafill said she always looks forward to sharing her creative process, which is typically a solitary experience.

"For the artist, it is a spiritual experience, an encounter with something beyond our understanding," Gafill said. "Art-making is very solitary, very lonely, very personal. The open studio allows the artist to share that encounter."

Carmel artist Barbara Kreitman said the studio tour offers rewards for both the artist and the art lover.

"Whenever I get to meet someone who enjoys my art, I get an opportunity to tell them about what inspires me," Kreitman explained.

In addition to Gafill and Kreitman, many of Monterey County's most talented artists are participating in this year's event, including Mary Aline, Dan Beck, Brian Blood, Lygia Chappellet, Elize Chezem, Mark Farina, Fran Grinels, Alan Masaoka, Jim Pinckney, Jody Royee, Mary Titus and many more.

Participating artists include painters, sculptors, jewelers, glass blowers, potters and photographers. Spread out throughout the county, their studios are located in Carmel,

Carmel Highlands, Carmel Valley, Pebble Beach, Pacific Grove, Seaside, Marina and Salinas.

The Pacific Grove Art Center is presenting an exhibit through Oct. 17 that offers a preview of each of the artist's work. The art center will host a reception for studio tour artists Friday, Sept. 26, from 7 to 9 p.m. The reception will feature silent and live auctions, with the proceeds benefiting the Big Sur fire relief effort.

In previous years, studio "tourists" were charged a fee for

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"Red Cabin at Hudson Ranch" by Erin Gafill.

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Doobie Brothers play Monterey, Hyatt hosts trumpeter with an edge

BY STEVE VAGNINI

ONE OF the best rock 'n' roll acts to ever come out of Northern California, the **Doobie Brothers** make a rare local appearance next Thursday, Oct. 2, at the **Golden State Theatre** in Monterey. Formed in 1970, the legendary band has survived numerous personnel changes and, in the process, the group that delivered the classic rock staples "China Grove," "Black Water," and "Listen to the Music," has sold more than 22 million albums.

The band's current lineup features two of its four original members — guitarists Tom Johnston and Pat Simmons — and also includes veteran drummer Michael Hossack, longtime guitarist John McFee, bassist Skylark, keyboardist Guy Allison and Marc Russo on saxophone. For tickets and more information visit the Golden State Theatre website at www.goldenstatetheatre.com.

Performing Saturday night at the **Fireplace Lounge** in the Monterey Hyatt Regency, trumpeter **Joe Grandsen** has performed worldwide and released seven CDs under his own name. Renowned for his hard bop style, Grandsen's singing voice has been compared to that of Chet Baker and Frank Sinatra. Born into a musical family Grandsen started his professional musical

career immediately after high school, going on the road as a sideman with the big bands of Tommy Dorsey and Glenn Miller.

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Joe Grandsen plays jazz trumpet Saturday at the Monterey Hyatt Regency.



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Thirty of our area's outstanding restaurants will provide varied and abundant selections of appetizers, main courses and desserts all complimented by fine wines from twenty of our local vineyards. Emcee Robert Patterson will keep the evening hopping while music from the Bob Phillips Jazz Band fills the crisp autumn air. And after adjusting your boa, unknitting your knickerbockers and having your photo taken alongside a classic 1920's automobile conveniently provided for your own personal photo-op, you can take a moment to nosh and sip as chef Kurt Grasing and wine maker Doug Meador present Chef Chat and give you the inside scoop on food and wine.

All this for \$85 if you hop to it and buy a ticket in advance. Tickets are \$95 at the door, which is still a good deal, but heck, who doesn't like saving \$10 a ticket just by picking up a phone. (If you go all "Speakeasy" and tell 'em "Psst...Thompson sent me," I'd really appreciate it...Committee Chair John Haveles will have our hides if each and every Carmel Chamber Board Member doesn't get an extra 10 people to come to this event.)

And don't forget to start practicing the Charleston now. I just did that oh-so-1920's dance at a conference in Charleston, South Carolina in August and man was I sore for three days afterwards.

Because, unlike the Taste of Carmel, I'm not 20 anymore.

The Roaring Twentieth Taste of Carmel
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Thompson Lange is co-owner of Homescapes Carmel on 7th and Dolores in downtown Carmel-by-the-Sea. When he's not running all over town and the world, he is also a contributing writer and retail advisory board member for several local and national magazines.

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- Sept 5-Oct 19 Carmel's 19th Annual Shake-speare Festival, Pacific Repertory Theatre, Carmel, 622-0100
- Sept 26-Oct 19 "Rabbit Hole", The Western Stage, Hartnell College, Salinas, 755-6816
- Sept 30 Parravano Witten PC, CCC & Monterey Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cutting, Monterey, 624-2522
- Oct 2 20th Annual Taste of Carmel, Carmel Mission Courtyard, Carmel, 624-2522
- Oct 2-Nov 4 Peggy Olsen's New Show, "Almost Abstract", Carmel Art Association, Carmel, 624-6176
- Oct 3 "An Intimate Evening with Bebe Neuwirth", Sunset Center, Carmel, 620-2048
- Oct 3 The Carmel Crawl, Downtown Carmel, 624-6176
- Oct 3 Homescapes Carmel 9th Anniversary Open House, Carmel, 624-6499
- Oct 4 The Romero's Guitar Quartet, Sunset Center, Carmel, 625-9938
- Oct 4 "Bug Walk", Earthbound Farm, Carmel Valley, 625-6219
- Oct 4 "Corn Husk Doll Workshop", Earthbound Farm, Carmel Valley, 625-6219
- Oct 4 Bill Mays Trio, KRML & The Jazz and Blues Co., Carmel, 624-6432
- Oct 4 Posh Pets Design Challenge for a Cause Event, Pierre Deux, Carmel, 624-8185
- Oct 4-Nov 30 "Jeffers & Steinbeck: Habitat of Thought" Exhibition & Programs, The National Steinbeck Center, Salinas, 775-4721
- Oct 9 "Soweto Gospel Choir", Sunset Center, Carmel, 620-2048
- Oct 9 6th Annual Bernardus Wine Dinner, Carmel Valley, 658-3550
- Oct 10-12 Robinson Jeffers Tor House Foundation Fall Festival, Carmel, 624-1813
- Oct 10 Adaskin Trio & Tom Gallant oboe, Mozart Society, All Saints Church, Carmel, 625-9938
- Oct 10-26 "La Llorona, the musical drama", The Western Stage, Hartnell College, Salinas, 755-6816
- Oct 10-11 Wellington's - Legacy Fine Art Sculpture Gallery Opening, Su Vecino Ct, Carmel, 620-1917
- Oct 11 "Flower Walk", Earthbound Farm, Carmel Valley, 625-6219
- Oct 17-19 Monterey Sports Car Championships, American Le Mans Series, Mazda Laguna Seca Raceway, Monterey, 327-7322
- Oct 18 "Harvest Festival", Earthbound Farm Stand, Carmel Valley, 625-6219
- Oct 18 Lorraine Feather with Shelly Berg, KRML & The Jazz and Blues Co, Carmel, 624-6432
- Oct 18 - Jan 11 Kay Villalobos' Auspicious Spirits Exhibition, National Steinbeck Center, Salinas, 775-4721
- Oct 19-20 Dubravka Tomsic & Bela Bartok, Monterey Symphony, Sunset Center, Carmel, 624-8511
- Oct 25 Carmel's 92nd Birthday Party & Parade, Devendorf Park, Carmel, 620-2020
- Oct 25-26 Monterey Bay Fall Fest Holiday Gift Faire, Custom House Plaza, Monterey, 622-0700
- Oct 25 "Chef Walk", Earthbound Farm, Carmel Valley, 831-625-6219
- Oct 26 "Jungle Jack Hanna", Sunset Center, Carmel, 620-2048
- Oct 26 The Barnyard Harvest & Halloween Festival, Barnyard Shopping Village, Carmel, 624-8886
- Oct 31-Nov 30 "Pettrified Forest", Staff Players Repertory Theatre, Carmel, 624-1531

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WHEN WE decided to launch a reader poll to recognize the Monterey Peninsula's outstanding businesses, recreational and health opportunities, and service providers, we had no idea what kind of response we would get. The answer turned out to be: a very impressive one!

During the three weeks voting was open, more than 1,400 people cast ballots for what we decided to call The Golden Pine Cones. And our readers showed not only a strong desire to see their favorites recognized, they showed a lot of sophistication in which restaurants, wines, artists, entertainment venues, shops, tradesmen and doctors they picked. To cite just one example: Bill Bates was the top vote getter for Best Local Artist.

And when it came to naming their Favorite Monterey Peninsula Restaurant, our readers showed a wide variety of interests, bestowing votes on almost 50 different restaurants. (You can see the complete list on our website.)

Without further ado, we hereby present the winners of the 2008 Golden Pine Cones. It's a fascinating list

FOOD and WINE

■ Best Neighborhood Market

Bruno's Market & Delicatessen — Junipero and Sixth, Carmel-by-the-Sea - 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily - (831) 624-3821 - www.brunosmarket.com.

Whether you're looking for a tasty deli sandwich made to order, a reasonably priced bottle of wine, a beautiful bouquet of irises, an emergency supply of Band-Aids or the basics to prepare a gourmet dinner at home, Bruno's Market always has what you need. Add to that tri-tip, chicken, ribs and sausage barbecued over oak wood daily, and a plethora of other items that make this market No. 1 in the neighborhood. Owner Fermin Sanchez specializes in giving locals what they need, while also supplying tourists with their on-the-road basics.

■ Best Supermarket

Safeway — The Crossroads Shopping Village, Rio Road and Highway 1, Carmel - open 24 hours daily - (831) 624-7626 - www.safeway.com.

Following its lavish remodel and expansion, Safeway at the Crossroads became the go-to place for gourmet goods as well as the basics. The store transformed from a crowded, outdated supermarket to a well organized, roomy establishment, complete with olive bar, huge wine selection, fresh bakery, salad bar, well stocked deli and beautiful produce aisles, among other assets. It even includes a full-scale Starbucks.

■ Best Organic Produce

■ Best Fruits and Vegetables

Whole Foods Market — 800 Del Monte Center, Monterey - 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily - (831) 333-1600 - www.wholefoodsmarket.com.

The market that has brought organic fruits and vegetables to the masses in an upscale, contemporary setting — and with knowledgeable, friendly staff and loads of samples to taste — is the place to find whatever pesticide-free, chemical-free fruits and veggies you seek. The parking lot may be a nightmare, and the prices may be a tad high, but devotees swear by Whole Food's extensive offerings of artfully displayed organic and conventional produce from near and far.

■ Best Seafood Market

Sea Harvest Fish Market & Restaurant — 100 The Crossroads, Carmel - (831) 626-3626; 598 Foam Street, Monterey - (831) 646-0547 - hours vary by location but are generally 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. daily.

Its simple but tasty restaurant and shelves of condiments nicely complement Sea Harvest's well stocked fish counter, where patrons can get close enough to see how shiny and luminous the sushi-grade ahi tuna really is. Of all foods, seafood is the most difficult to purchase and definitely has to be fresh from the

water, and owner David Deyerly ensures that Sea Harvest brings in the best. Always ask what's freshest, and what will be coming in next.

■ Best Wine Store/Section

Nielsen Bros. Market — Northeast corner of San Carlos and Seventh, Carmel-by-the-Sea - 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily - (831) 624-6441 - www.nielsenmarket.com.

This charming corner market has long had a corner on the wine market in Carmel. The family owned and operated store's cellar houses a collection of 10,000 bottles from around the world, ranging from affordable Southern Hemisphere offerings, to hard-to-find bottles with triple-digit prices. Owners Merv and Nancie Sutton and the store's staff will happily offer advice about which wine to pour with what foods, the best gift bottles or the ideal wine in your price range.

■ Best Butcher

Grove Market — 242 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove - Mon. to Sat., 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sun., 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. - (831) 375-9581.

A varied display of fresh meats behind glass greets shoppers as they walk through the front door of Grove Market, and many people barely make it over the threshold before pausing to ponder what to take home for dinner. The best methods for preparing and cooking your bone-in rib eye or lamb chops are available for the asking, as Grove Market owner Charlie Higuera employs people who are happy to help and know what they're talking about. Marinated meats and pre-made skewers are also available. And don't forget the market's other specialty foods, selection of wines and fresh produce.

■ Best Bakery

Patisserie Bechler — 1225 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove - Tues. to Sat., 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sun. 7 a.m. to noon - (831) 375-0846 - www.patisseriebechler.com.

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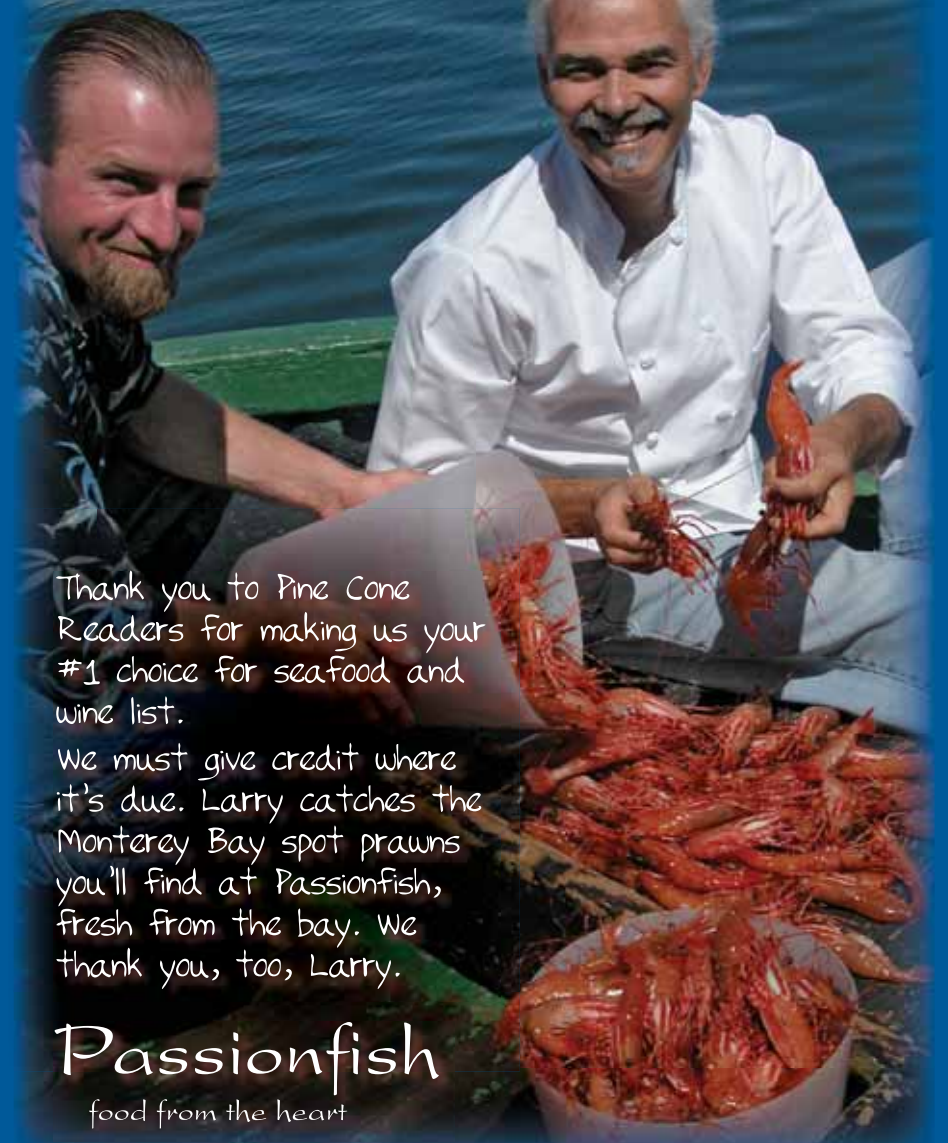


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Best Catering Company

A Moveable Feast — P.O. Box 902, Carmel Valley - (831) 659-5100 - www.a-moveable-feast.com.

"Maverick" might be a word bandied about with abandon these days, but chef/owner Michael Jones fits it. Classically trained in the United States and abroad, the talented and creative Jones delights guests fortunate enough to attend events served by his catering business, launched in 1976. A Moveable Feast reflects his philosophy of bringing "New World freshness and innovation to the Old World techniques and tradition of service," using locally grown organic ingredients from small farms, fresh meats and fish caught in Monterey Bay. Whenever you see Jones, with his trademark sandy shoulder-length hair and chef's coat, you know the food will be good. Strike that. You know it will be unforgettable.

Best Kitchen Shop

Sur La Table — Carmel Plaza, lower level, Ocean

Avenue, Carmel-by-the-Sea - Mon. to Sat., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sun., 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. - (831) 626-6433 - www.surlatable.com.

When Sur La Table opened in Carmel Plaza a short while ago, Peninsula residents who love to cook rejoiced. This well stocked store, which has its roots in Seattle's Pike Place Market and now boasts 71 locations nationwide, carries everything a home cook could want, from full lines of Le Creuset cookware and Riedel stemware, to irresistible kitchen gadgets and a nice collection of sauces, oils, vinegars and other interesting condiments and spices from around the world. The friendly and knowledgeable employees top off the list of reasons Sur La Table is a local favorite.

Best Monterey County Chardonnay

Talbott Vineyards — 53 West Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley - 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily - (831) 659-3500 - www.talbotvineyards.com.

Robb Talbott — whose mother launched the Robert Talbott clothing company sewing silk neckties in her Carmel Valley home in 1950 — began making wine a quarter-century ago, and his Sleepy Hollow Chardonnay has a reputation reaching far beyond the county line. Produced using the best possible fruit from Talbott's highly regarded Sleepy Hollow Vineyard, this Chardonnay perfectly balances rich butterscotch and caramel tones with bright acidity captured in notes of stone fruit and melon. Find the current vintage, and many other fabulous Talbott Chardonnays and Pinot Noirs, in stores and restaurants, as well as in the tasting room and online.

Best Monterey County Pinot Noir

Morgan — 204 Crossroads Blvd., Carmel - 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily - (831) 626-3700 - www.morganwinery.com.

Another longtime presence on the local wine scene, winemaker Dan Morgan Lee has consistently wowed wine-lovers and pleased palates with his Pinot Noir. Lee and his wife, Donna, launched Morgan in 1982 and bought the Double L Vineyard in 1996, planting it all in organically grown Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. In addition to producing Pinot from its own Double L, Morgan offers vintages using fruit from the highly regarded Rosella's and Garys' vineyards, and the Tondre Grapefield. And now, in addition to restaurants and markets, Morgan fans can taste its wines in the Crossroads Shopping Village.

Best Monterey County Merlot

Georis Winery — 4 Pilot Road, Carmel Valley - 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily - (831) 659-1050 - www.georiswine.com.

To put it simply, no one in Monterey County makes Merlot like Georis makes Merlot, and the winery's estate bottling of the varietal is always sought after for its robust fruit and the complexity that comes from French influences and 18 months in Bordeaux chateau barrels. Walter Georis — whose first Peninsula contribution was the beloved Casanova restaurant in Carmel — offers his family's wines for tasting in a lovely room and garden in the Village, just behind Talbott's tasting room.

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Bernardus — 5 West Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley - 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily - (831) 659-1900 - www.bernardus.com.

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Best Family Restaurant

Em Le's Old Carmel Restaurant — Dolores and Fifth at Pantiles Court, Carmel-by-the-Sea - 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. (breakfast and lunch), dinner from 4 p.m. daily - (831) 625-6780 - www.em-les.com.

Em Le's is where the locals go — and visitors, too. This small, homey restaurant with corner fireplace has been here since time began (1955), when soda fountains were a must and table service quick and friendly. You can see the chef and cooks working diligently through the kitchen window. Fresh food is cooked to perfection: Salmon is succulent, lamb shanks tender and delicious, and vegetables cooked al dente, retaining their appetizing colors. Also famous for extraordinary French toast. Watch the passing throng from front windows. The owners are James and Mena Hogan. Prices are very reasonable and early dinners from 4 to 6 p.m. even more so.

Best French Restaurant

Fifi's Bistro Café — 1188 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove - 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sun.; 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Mon. to Sat.; 5 to 9 p.m. Sun. to Thurs. and until 9:30 p.m. Fri. and Sat. - (831) 372-5325 - www.fifisbistrocafe.com.

Fifi's Bistro Café is heralded for the authenticity of its French specialties and other dishes. The café is decorated with framed French posters, white tablecloths and hanging bistro lights over each table. The atmosphere is refined, yet casual, and the French music is welcome. Sunday brunch might well be blue crab cakes on a bed of mixed greens with mango vinaigrette. Bloody Marys and mimosas help celebrate the weekend. Lunch could be a baby spinach salad with crispy duck and honey-ginger vinaigrette, while dinner offers pistachio-crusted Australian rack of lamb with balsamic reduction. Moderate prices.

Best Chinese Restaurant**Best Takeout**

Tommy's Wok — Mission Street between Ocean and Seventh - Tues. to Sun., 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. - (831) 624-8518 - www.restauranteur.com/tommyswok.

Tucked inside Redwood Court, Tommy's Wok features Szechuan, Hunan and Mandarin cuisine — and everything on the menu is homemade. Chef Tommy Mao and his sisters, Van and Joanne, have had two other successful restaurants in Sausalito and Oakhurst. And if you don't feel like dining in, the takeout is the best.

Best Indian Restaurant

Ambrosia India Bistro — 565 Abrego St., Monterey - Champagne lunch buffet 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sat. & Sun; lunch buffet 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Mon. - Fri.; and dinner nightly 5 to 10 p.m. Happy hour daily 5 to 6:30 p.m. - (831) 641-0610 - www.ambrosiaib.com.

Chef/owner Bhupender Singh believes in creating for his patrons memorable, flavorful meals that speak of India in their preparation, aromas and presentation. Two tandoori ovens produce all types of naan, and bone-in marinated chicken skewered and

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Best Italian Restaurant

Cantinetta Luca — *Dolores between Ocean and Seventh, Carmel-by-the-Sea - Lunch daily noon to 2:30 p.m.; dinner 5 to 9:30 p.m. Sun. - Thurs. and until 10 Fri. and Sat. - (831) 625-6500 - www.cantinettaluca.com.*

Chic, modern and filled with appetizing aromas of Mediterranean cuisine, Cantinetta Luca boasts an open kitchen, barrel vaulted ceiling and a casual, informal atmosphere. Here patrons can enjoy authentic Italian pizzas baked in a wood-burning oven, Italian antipasti of varied house made salumi, and only handmade pastas are served. Owners David and Kathleen Fink and their chefs take advantage of fresh, seasonal ingredients. The very best prosciutto from Italy — San Daniele — is only one of the appetizers offered. Braised Colorado lamb shank and steaks are on the entrée list. Try the grilled Alaskan halibut with a side of Bloomsdale spinach.

Best Sushi

Sushi Heaven — *Dolores between Seventh and Eighth, Carmel-by-the-Sea - Mon. to Sat. 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 5 to 9 p.m. - (831) 625-2067.*

Decor of this small, intimate restaurant is Japanese provincial, a perfect setting for the delectable food served here. The bar offers 150 varieties of fresh sushi and rolls prepared by sushi masters before your eyes. Owner Soon Huh's menu offers all the most popular Japanese dishes, including tempura, sashimi, bento boxes, exquisite soups, salads, entrées, desserts and much more. Service here is friendly, but nonintrusive. A dog-friendly patio at the back can be viewed through a picture window. Sushi Heaven has a loyal following of locals and repeat business of visitors who discover it and come back, time after time.

Best Mediterranean Restaurant

Da Giovanni Ristorante Mediterraneo — *Lincoln between Fifth and Sixth, Carmel-by-the-Sea - Open nightly for dinner only from 5 p.m. - (831) 626-5800 - www.dagiovanni.com.*

Italian cuisine and all things Mediterranean are prepared with skill and artistry in this second-floor restaurant accessible by steps or elevator. A flowered terrace with sun umbrellas and heat lamps is dog friendly, and the interior pleasant and attractive. The proprietor, Firok Shield, is a restaurateur whose attention to detail is legend. He himself blends and roasts herbs and spices used in many of the dishes served here and has trained his experienced staff well. Minced filet mignon is used in cannelloni and ravioli, the meat on lamb shanks literally falls off the bone, and the sea bass is second to none.

Best Mexican Restaurant

Peppers MexiCali Cafe — *170 Forest Ave, Pacific Grove - Mon., Weds. and Thurs. 11:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and*

Fri and Sat. 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. No lunch on Sun., but dinner 4 to 9:30 p.m. - (831) 373-6892 - www.peppersmexicalicafe.com.

As a testament to its delicious food and to its popularity among locals, Peppers MexiCali Cafe is almost always packed at lunch and dinner time. The Southwestern decor serves as a backdrop for Latin American cuisine with emphasis on fresh seafood. For starters, try the grilled prawns with fresh lime and cilantro dressing. Entrées include tacos, enchiladas, chile rellanos, tostadas, burritos (try the Mission District burrito platter), and tamales when available. Fish and meat entrées include Mahi Mahi Veracruz with tomato, green chiles, capers and lime juice, and carne asada (marinated and grilled New York steak).

Best Middle Eastern Restaurant

Petra — *477 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove - (831) 649-2530*

Greece isn't exactly in the Middle East, but many Greek dishes are closely related to the cuisine of their neighbors to the East. Favorites at Petra are hummus, falafel, souvlaki and kebabs. The perfect place to eat dinner after watching Mama Mia!

Best Thai Restaurant

Thai Bistro II — *159 Central Ave., Pacific Grove - 11:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. daily - (831) 372-8700.*

Housed in a charming, whitewashed building that used to be a home, and with a staff that always makes you feel welcome, Thai Bistro II offers authentic dishes with some California updating. The lettuce wraps, curries and Pad Thai are all favorites.

Best Restaurant for Seafood
Best Wine List

Passionfish — *701 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove - Dinner nightly from 5 p.m. - (831) 655-3311 - www.passionfish.net.*

Owner Ted Walter is an inspired chef whose focus is on seafood sustainability, organic produce and original cuisine. This multi-award winning restaurant offers unique appetizers, such as asparagus fries, unusual salads including baked gorgonzola on curried greens served with chutney and candied pecans. Walter's main thrust is, of course, fresh seafood. Try his Gulf of Maine scallops with tomato-truffle butter and a thyme risotto custard. His ever-changing menu also features prime steak, slow-cooked roast pork, lamb shanks and braised short ribs, as well as vegetarian dishes.

Best Restaurant for Steak

Sardine Factory — *701 Wave St., Monterey - Sun., 5 to 10 p.m., Fri. and Sat., 5 to 11 p.m., Mon. to Thurs., 5 to 10:30 p.m. - (831) 373-3775 - www.sardinefactory.com.*

When it opened in October 1968, the sardines had long since disappeared from Monterey Bay, and Cannery Row was nearly abandoned. The Sardine Factory faced long odds for success. "We had no money, we built on the wrong side of the tracks and we were under financed," co-owner Ted Balestreri recalled. "It was an ugly building, stairs had to be climbed and there was no marketing program or theme." But 40 years later, the Sardine

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Factory has an international reputation and a long list of celebrity clientele. And, while locals love it for its intimate front-of-the-house lounge, extensive menu and vast wine list, Pine Cone readers singled out The Sardine Factory for its outstanding steaks. "We buy prime beef from the Corn Belt and we age the steaks ourselves, which gives them greater tenderness," co-owner and chef Bert Cutino said. "They're always outstanding."

Best Restaurant for Vegetarians

Tillie Gort's Cafe — 111 Central Ave.,

Pacific Grove - Mon. - Fri. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sat. and Sun. 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. - (831) 373-0335 - www.tilliegortscfe.com.

Established in 1969, this restaurant with a friendly coffee shop atmosphere features vegetarian, vegan and organic foods. But carnivores are welcome, too, and many items on the menu cater to the beef, turkey, chicken and bacon eaters among us. There are always two vegetarian soups daily. Favorites among locals are the tofu scramble for breakfast, grilled polenta, mixed vegetables and tofu with curry sauce, and the Mexican fiesta salad. If you're looking for flavorful vegetarian patties, Tillie Gort's has two. An all-time favorite with everyone is the soothing and flavorful hot carob drink. The owners are Carmen and Henry Nazar.

Best Appetizers

Estéban — 700 Munras Ave., Monterey - 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily - (831) 375-0176 - www.esteбанrestaurant.com.

As soon as it opened last year, Estéban became a local favorite for its warm atmosphere and unique cuisine. It features mouthwatering small plates, such as sautéed mushrooms with chili flakes, Marcona almonds with sea salt, and Spanish potato salad, as well as larger offerings, such as Dungeness crab cakes and wonderful basil-infused lamb chops. A great wine list, too. Go for the appetizers, and stay for the dinners.

Best BBQ

Willy's Smokehouse — 95 Prescott Ave., Monterey - 11:30 a.m. to closing daily - (831) 372-8880 - www.willysmoke.com.

Another one of Tony Tollner's winning restaurant concepts, Willy's Smokehouse delivers fabulous slow-smoked ribs, pulled pork and brisket, not to mention steak, salmon and pot roast. The Cannery Row location makes it perfect for lunch or dinner while visiting that historic part of Monterey.

Best Breakfast

Katy's Place — Mission between Fifth and Sixth, Carmel-by-the-Sea - open 7 a.m. daily for breakfast and lunch until 2 p.m. - (831) 624-0199 - www.katysplacecarmel.com.

Katy's boasts the largest breakfast menu on the West Coast. There are 16 varieties of three-egg Eggs Benedict on the menu, as well as eight waffle plates, including the signature Belgian waffles. Owners Randall Bernett and Gytha B. Georgsdottir-McFarland also offer blintzes with fresh berries, Swedish pancakes, corned beef brisket hash and Miss Audrey's biscuits and gravy, just to name a few. Patrons may eat indoors at tables or at the bar in front of the kitchen where a friendly chat with chef is in order. Or — and this is a big favorite with locals — eat on the deck at the front of the restaurant under a giant redwood tree. Lunch includes seven burgers, 11 sandwiches and eight salads.

Best Coffee

Carmel Valley Roasting Co. — Ocean between Lincoln and Monte Verde, Carmel-by-the-Sea - 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily - (831) 626-2913 - www.carmel-coffee.com.

There is an abundance of coffeehouses on the Monterey Peninsula, so for Carmel Valley Coffee Roasting Co. to win out over all the others, you know they must have terrific coffee. Established in 1994, CVCRC roasts and serves 100 percent certified organic arabica gourmet coffee, with its signature blend being Organic Carmel Foglifter. There are three other locations: Carmel Valley and two in Carmel. The Carmel-by-the-Sea coffeehouse is small and charming and has comfy chairs and tables on two levels.

Best Desserts

Parker-Lusseau Pastries — 731 Munras Ave., Monterey - Wed. to Sat., 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. - (831) 643-0300 - www.parker-lusseaupastries.com.

Thanks to owners Anne Parker Johnson and Yann Lusseau, the specialties of this outstanding bakery are too numerous to list. But Pine Cone readers obviously know their triple chocolate cakes, fruit tarts and petit fours. And the terrine cake is absolutely divine!

Best Coffeehouse

Peet's Coffee & Tea — 560 Munras Ave., Monterey - Mon. to Thurs., 5 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fri. and Sat., 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sun., 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. - (831) 641-9029 - www.peets.com.

Cheers were heard throughout the land when Peets opened next door to Trader Joe's in downtown Monterey this spring. Since it was founded by Alfred Peet, who opened the first store in Berkeley in 1966, Peet's has been known for its top-quality beans, which are hand-roasted in small batches. And, as is obvious from the votes cast by our readers, the Monterey location is also a great hangout!

Best Happy Hour

Il Fornaio — Ocean Avenue & Monte Verde Street, Carmel-by-the-Sea - Mon. to Fri., 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m., Sat. and Sun., 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. - (831) 622-5100 - www.ilfornaio.com.

Want to hang out with the movers and shakers in Carmel over a glass of champagne or a martini? Then head for Happy Hour at the expansive, welcoming bar at Il Fornaio. The restaurant is part of an upscale California chain, but local management keeps a hometown feel. Being located in the Pine Inn certainly helps! Of course, Il Fornaio also includes a bakery and restaurant, featuring the cuisine and wines of Italy. Menus include a selection of antipasti, soups, salads, wood-fired pizza, housemade pastas, grilled and rotisserie-roasted meats and a wide variety of desserts.

Best Ice Cream

Cold Stone Creamery — 1470 Del Monte Center, Monterey - Sun. to Thurs., 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fri. and Sat., 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. - (831) 649-1346 - www.cold-stonecreamery.com.

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■ Best Pizza

Allegro Gourmet Pizzeria — 3770 The Barnyard, Carmel - www.allegrogourmetpizzeria.com.

Since it opened in 1988, Allegro has been known for its unique pizza creations and relaxed atmosphere. Its owners say they wanted to create a "soulful pizzeria like the kind that exists in every Italian neighborhood ... no big deal, just great food, friends and wine." And, according to Pine Cone readers, they succeeded in a big way!

■ Best Fast Food

R.G. Burgers — 201 The Crossroads, Carmel, and 570 Munras Ave., Monterey (next door to Trader Joe's) - (831) 626-8054 - www.realgoodburgers.com.

R.G. stands for Real Good ... as in the best burgers in the Monterey Peninsula! Hand-formed and char-grilled, the burgers even come with béarnaise or secret house sauce, mushrooms and a dollop of guacamole. Vegetarians will like the falafel, soups and salads. And the milkshakes are made with four scoops of ice cream. Here at The Pine Cone, we're so glad our readers didn't pick McDonalds or Taco Bell!

■ Best Buffet

Stillwater Bar & Grill — *The Lodge at Pebble Beach* - Serving breakfast, lunch and dinner - (831) 625-8524 - www.pebblebeach.com.

When you walk inside the Stillwater Grill, the first thing you notice is the amazing view across the 18th Green of the Pebble Beach Golf Links to Stillwater Cove, Carmel Bay and even Point Lobos. Then you'll notice the sleek, modern interior and abundant seafood bar. And, if you're there for Sunday brunch, the expansive buffet — which on special occasions stretches through several rooms — will take your breath away!

■ Best New Restaurant

Volcano Grill — 27 E. Carmel Valley Road - Open at 4:30 p.m. daily - (831) 659-1280 - www.volcano-grill.com.

After selling Bahama Billy's, Billy Quon turned his attention to

his home neighborhood of Carmel Valley. Since it opened earlier this year, the Volcano Grill has become a favorite for people who would like a bit of Hawaii in their evening. Mai Tais are a specialty, as are Asian Nachos, filet mignon skewers and the massive Herbie's Kahuna Platter.


■ Best Outdoor Dining

Forge in the Forest — *Fifth and Junipero, Carmel-by-the-Sea* - Open daily from 11:30 a.m. - (831) 624-2233 - www.forgeintheforest.com.

With its historic setting (yes, it was a working forge in Carmel's early days ... quite a bit of the town's old ironwork was fabricated here) and cozy outdoor patio, The Forge in the Forest is a favored place for lunch, dinner and cocktails. The cuisine at this employee-owned restaurant is American (ribs, burgers, pizza, tacos and pasta) and the wine list is all Californian.

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Fresh Cream — 100C Heritage Harbor, Monterey - open at 5:30 p.m. daily - (831) 375-9798 - www.freshcream.com.

If you're dining with someone you really want to impress, or you're planning a really elaborate rehearsal dinner, Pine Cone readers say, "Take your guests to Fresh Cream" — and for good reason. The cuisine is elegant, the view of the Monterey Harbor is breathtaking, and the service is impeccable. The partners in this longtime Monterey favorite are Steven Chesney and Gregory Lizza.

Most Romantic Restaurant

Best Restaurant in Carmel

Favorite Restaurant in the Monterey Peninsula

Casanova — Fifth Avenue between Mission and San Carlos - 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5 to 10 p.m. daily - (831) 625-0501 - www.casanovarestaurant.com.

With so many accolades from Pine Cone readers, Casanova must really be someplace special ... and it is! Founded in 1977 by the Georis family, Casanova has combined old-world elegance and hospitality with culinary innovation and has remained a Carmel favorite for its entire existence. The menu changes daily, but memorable dishes include lamb brochettes, linguini with

seafood, and fresh mussels with shallots. Longtime chef Didier Dutretre has departed to open his own restaurant in Monterey (Bistro Moulin), but the quality, freshness and romance at Casanova have not changed.

Best Restaurant in Big Sur

Nepenthe — 48510 Highway 1, Big Sur - 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily - (831) 667-2345 - www.nepenthebigsur.com.

Big Sur may be a sparsely settled place, but with all those tourists driving up and down the coast highway, there are bound to be some excellent places to eat. Noteworthy examples include Deetjen's, the River Inn, Cielo at Ventana (temporarily closed due to a fire) and Sierra Mar at Post Ranch. The most historic, and most popular (among Pine Cone readers) is Nepenthe, founded by Lolly and Bill Fassett, whose descendants have maintained a commitment to exceptional caring service in a relaxed atmosphere. The tradition of family hospitality is a hallmark of the business.

Best Restaurant in Carmel Valley

Café Rustica — 10 Delfino Place, Carmel Valley - Tues. to Sun., 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 5 to 8:30 p.m. - (831) 659-4444

A favorite with locals, Cafe Rustica offers enormous salads full of fresh, local produce, mouth-watering pastas and a menu that melds the best of California and Mediterranean cuisines. But it's the thin-crust, wood oven-fired pizzas that make owner Julien Belliard's restaurant one of the busiest in the valley.

Best Restaurant in Pebble Beach

Roy's — The Inn at Spanish Bay, Pebble Beach - (831) 647-7500 - www.roysrestaurant.com

Before "fusion" was a household word in the culinary world, chef Roy Yamaguchi began combining European techniques with bright and exciting Asian and Pacific Rim foods and flavors. He opened his first restaurant in Honolulu, Hawaii, two decades ago and now has more than 37 locations all over the world, including Japan and Guam. At Spanish Bay, the venue offers sweeping bay views and elegantly presented cuisine in a bright and lively setting.

Best Restaurant in Pacific Grove

Fandango — 223 17th Street, Pacific Grove - Mon. to Sat., 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 5 to 9:30 p.m.; Sun., 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 5 to 9:30 p.m. - (831) 372-3456 - www.fandangorestaurant.com

Charming European hospitality and delicious food are the trademarks of this Pacific Grove institution, which was converted from a lovely old house into an equally lovely restaurant in 1983. Fandango features two main dining rooms and five private rooms ranging in size to perfectly accommodate any gathering. For a special treat, order the paella or the famous rack of lamb, but everything on the menu is worthy of attention. Wine Spectator also bestowed its Award of Excellence upon the restaurant.

Best Restaurant in Monterey

Montrio — 414 Calle Principal, Monterey - Sun. to Thurs., 5 to 10 p.m., Fri. and Sat., 5 to 11 p.m. - (831) 648-8880 - www.montrio.com

Take the influences of the best European and American cuisine, add a delightfully updated, historical Monterey firehouse; combine the two with great service, and you have Esquire's "Restaurant of the Year" for 1995 (and Pine Cone readers' favorite in Monterey for 2008). The magazine cited Montrio's dedication to fresh ingredients, its use of color, and its insistence that dining should be casual and fun as reasons for the honor. Featuring innovative dishes such as Dungeness crab cakes with spicy remoulade, oven-roasted portabella mushroom with ragout of vegetables and the taste-tempting hazelnut mint vacherin, this bistro with big-city ambience has become one of Monterey's favorite restaurants for all occasions.

Best Restaurant in Sand City

Ol' Factory — 1725 Contra Costa Street, Sand City - 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily - (831) 394-7336 - www.olfactorycafe.com

It's an art gallery. It's a meeting place. It's a coffee shop. It's a place to get a glass of wine or hear music, or get a darn fine meal practically any time of day. Owner Morgan Christopher made a major contribution to Sand City's hipness when he opened his cafe — full of green technology, sustainable and organic ingredients, and artisanal products — and overseen by talented and creative chef Kevin Fisher.

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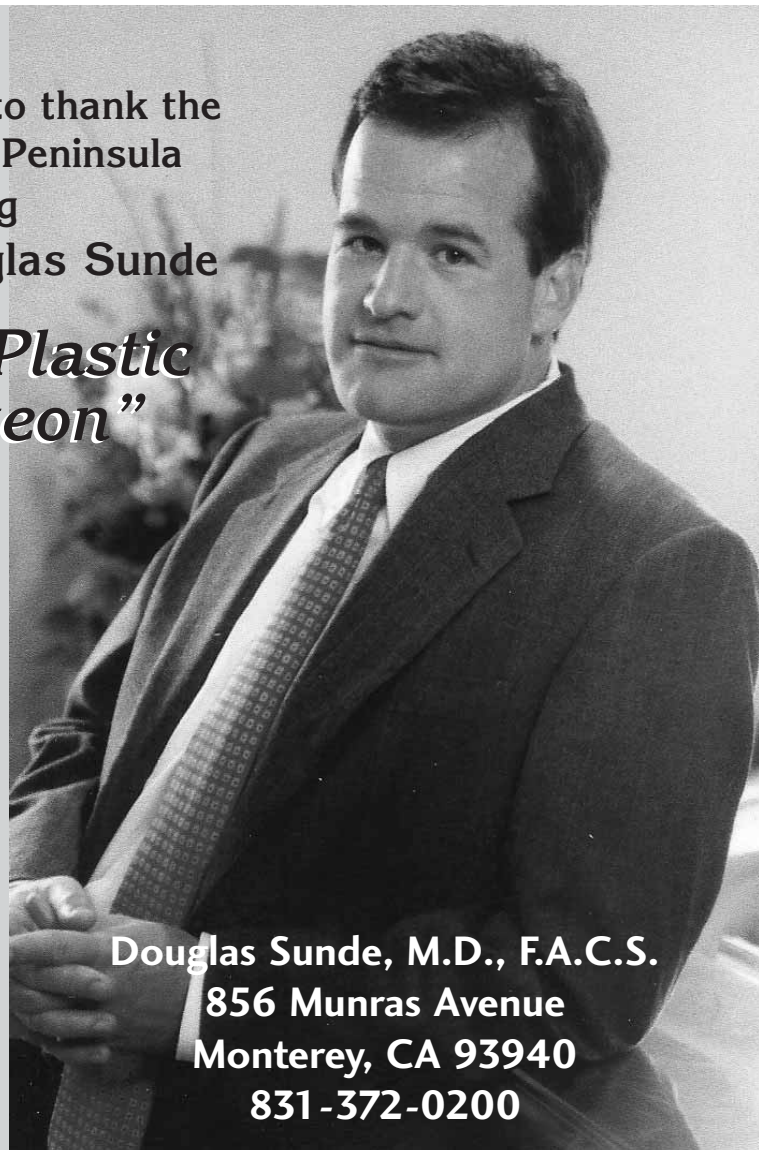
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■ Best Restaurant in Seaside

Fishwife — 789 Trinity Avenue, Seaside - open daily for lunch and dinner - (831) 375-7107 - www.fishwife.com.

A longtime favorite among locals, the Fishwife Restaurant can always be counted on for fabulous seafood with flare. Featuring California cuisine with Caribbean accents, the reasonably priced menu offers a wide range of seasonal local catches, including Monterey Bay's signature sand dabs, salmon and other fruit of the sea, prepared in myriad ways. The restaurant's great Sea Garden Salads, for instance, are topped with freshly cooked tilapia, calamari, sole or prawns hot from the kitchen for a mere \$11 to \$13 for dinner.

■ Best Restaurant Service

Anton & Michel — Court of the Fountains, Mission Street between Ocean and Seventh, Carmel-by-the-Sea - 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. daily - www.carmelsbest.com/antonmichel.

The food is great, the setting is wonderful, and this is the place where Rupert Murdoch took Nicole Kidman to dinner during a big News Corp. shindig in 2006. Pine Cone readers could have honored Anton & Michel in any number

of categories, but they chose Best Service ... could it be because of the many table-side preparations which are the restaurant's specialties?

RECREATION and THE ARTS

■ Best Local Artist

Bill Bates

What other Monterey Peninsula artist can say his or her work is on display at a United States Post Office? Whether he's playfully poking fun at Carmel's tourists or offering a scathing commentary on national politics, Bill is a gifted cartoonist with a devoted local following. With just a pen and paper, he does an extraordinary job of capturing the essence of Carmel. A regular contributor to The Carmel Pine Cone since 1972, Bill is currently resting at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, where he is recovering from a serious illness. Here's hoping he's back in The Pine Cone soon.

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■ Best Photo Gallery

Weston Gallery — North side of Sixth Avenue between Dolores and Lincoln, Carmel-by-the-Sea - (831) 624-4453 - www.westongallery.com.

It comes as no surprise the best local photo gallery bears the Weston name. A world leader in vintage and contemporary fine art photography, the gallery is home to the work of many of the world's finest image makers, including family patriarch Edward Weston and his talented sons, Cole and Brett.

■ Best Sculpture Gallery

Steven Whyte — Su Vecino Court, on Dolores between Fifth and Sixth, Carmel-by-the-Sea - (831) 620-1917 - www.stevenwhytesculptor.com.

Whyte is best known locally as the "Sculptor in the Park" at the annual Carmel Art Festival. At the event each year, he creates a larger-than-life-sized statue of a noted figure in American history at Devendorf Park while an audience looks on. "Visitors see firsthand the work that goes into the art, and hopefully they leave inspired and educated, and they have a greater appreciation for the pieces they see in the other Carmel galleries," Whyte said.

■ Best Art Gallery

Carmel Art Association — West side of Dolores between Fifth and Sixth, Carmel-by-the-Sea - (831) 624-6176

The oldest gallery in one of America's great art towns, the Carmel Art Association was founded in 1927. Featuring an impressive roster of more than 120 mostly local artists, the art association displays a wide variety of styles and media, and changes its exhibits monthly. Led by director Susan Klusmire, the gallery is the second oldest nonprofit arts cooperative in the United States.

■ Best Concert Venue

Sunset Center — San Carlos between Eighth and Ninth, Carmel-by-the-Sea - (831) 620-2048 - www.sunsetcenter.org.

For more than 75 years Sunset Center — in its various incarnations — has been at the heart of Carmel's thriving performing arts scene. An extensive renovation in 2002 transformed the center into a world-class facility. In January, new executive director Peter Lesnik took over the leadership of center, and he recently unveiled an ambitious 2008-2009 schedule. The center is also home to the

Carmel Bach Festival, the Monterey Symphony, Chamber Music Monterey Bay and the Carmel Music Society.

■ Best Place to Dance

Cibo Ristorante Italiano — 301 Alvarado Street, Monterey - (831) 649-8151 - www.cibo.com.

Located in the heart of downtown Monterey, Cibo's offers the liveliest dance floor on the Monterey Peninsula, featuring a dynamic mix of live jazz, R&B, soul, funk, reggae and latino music. For the late-night crowd, they're open until 1 a.m. Thursdays and to 1:30 a.m. weekends. Owned by Mario Catalano, Cibo's also presents an extensive menu of new and old world cuisine, with a special emphasis on Italian favorites and local seafood.

■ Best Comedy Club

Doc Rickett's Lab — 180 E. Franklin, Monterey - (831) 649-4241

Okay, so what if Doc Rickett's doesn't offer comedy anymore? Our readers have long memories! And if you're looking for a great night out, look no further than Doc Rickett's Lab. Named after the colorful marine biologist who was John Steinbeck's friend, Doc's offers plenty of live music, DJ mixes and dancing.

■ Best Place to Listen to Music

Monterey Live — 414 Alvarado, Monterey - (831) 373-LIVE - www.montereylive.org

Music always sounds better live, and there's no place on the Monterey Peninsula that offers a larger and more diverse calendar of live music than Monterey Live. Owned by Gary Smith and Susan Miller, the intimate, 100-seat venue offers a generous mix of musical acts from every imaginable genre, from rock, jazz and r&b to county, folk and reggae. It also has a stage for theater, dance, comedy and spoken word performers

■ Best Place to Take Visitors

Monterey Bay Aquarium — 886 Cannery Row, Monterey - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily - (831) 648-4800 - www.mbayaq.org

The depths of Monterey Bay offer a treasure trove of natural wonders, and the Monterey Bay Aquarium offers visitors a dazzling display of what lies beneath the local waves. Featuring more than 200 galleries and exhibits, the aquarium showcases an amazing diversity of our underwater flora and fauna, including sea otters, a vast kelp forest and even a giant octopus.

■ Best Beach

■ Best Place to Watch the Sunset

■ Best Place to Walk Your Dog

Carmel Beach — Foot of Ocean Avenue and West Side of Scenic Road, Carmel-by-the-Sea

Carmel Beach has everything you'd want from a beach. Its fine white sand is the envy of beachgoers all over the world. Located just down the hill from downtown, it features less fog and wind than most nearby beaches. Finally, it offers locals and visitors a generous postcard-perfect slice of California coastline that stretches from Carmel Point to the tantalizing greens of the famous Pebble Beach golf links. All that, dogs are allowed off-leash, and the parking is free! Indeed, for many local dogs — as well as their owners — a walk along Carmel Beach is the social event of the week.

■ Best Hiking Trail

Sobranes Trail — East side of Highway 1, about 6 miles south of Carmel

The Sobranes "trail" is actually two trails that meet to form a strenuous 6-mile loop. Just north of the Sobranes Point, one trail leads east along Sobranes Creek, while another veers steeply up a treeless ridge. The first trail quickly encounters a dense grove of redwoods, while the second trail ascends toward the sky before eventually descending into the wooded canyon. If you're looking for a moderate hike, take the fork up the canyon and turn around when it gets too steep. If you're interested in a good workout, it doesn't matter which path you take — either way, gravity will get the best of you.

■ Monterey Peninsula's Favorite Park

Point Lobos — West side of Highway 1, about 3 miles south of Carmel Valley Road.

Called the "greatest meeting of land and sea in the world" by artist Francis McComas (a quote somehow erroneously attributed to many others), Point Lobos reportedly was the setting that inspired Robert Louis Stevenson's "Treasure Island." It was established as a state reserve in

1933 and has since become a magnet for hikers and outdoor enthusiasts. Noted for its dramatic, rocky coastline and its dense groves of Monterey pines and Monterey cypress, the reserve features miles of walking paths that lead to stunning vistas, secluded picnic spots and sandy beaches. Adjacent to the reserve is one of the world's steepest submarine canyons, making it a popular destination for divers. A museum at the reserve pays tribute to its fascinating legacy as a whaling center.

■ Best Private Golf Course

Cypress Point — 3150 17 Mile Drive, Pebble Beach

With its spectacular setting and exclusive membership, Cypress Point is one of the most famous and, needless to say, one of the greatest golf courses in the world. Designed by Alister MacKenzie, Cypress Point opened in 1928. Offering stunning ocean vistas, golfers must cross over the ocean on three occasions, and the ocean comes into play on four other holes. Start saving your money for a membership ... or start making friends with somebody who already has one!

■ Best Public Golf Course

Pebble Beach Golf Links — 17 Mile Drive, Pebble Beach - hours vary by season - (831) 622-8723 - www.pebblebeach.com.

Since 1919, the exquisite beauty and unique challenge of Pebble Beach Golf Links has thrilled golfers and spectators alike. The famed course has been the site of golf's most prestigious tournaments, including the annual AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am, the 1972, '82, '92, 2000 and (soon to be) 2010 U.S. Open Championships. Pebble Beach Golf Links was ranked the No. 1 Public Course in America by Golf Digest in 2007. Designed by Jack Neville and Douglas Grant, the course hugs the rugged coastline, providing wide-open vistas, cliffside fairways and sloping greens. It is a delightful challenge for all players. Pebble Beach Golf Links also includes chipping and putting greens and the Peter Hay par-three golf course and practice range.

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■ Best Fitness/Health Center

Carmel Valley Athletic Club — 27300 Rancho San Carlos Road, Carmel Valley - Mon. to Fri., 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Sat. and Sun., 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. - (831) 624-2737 - www.cvaconline.com.

Carmel Valley Athletic Club, formerly called Carmel Valley Racquet & Health Club, has all the services expected from a state-of-the-art tennis and fitness club at the private, sunny Carmel Valley location. The CVAC offers all-new cardio strength equipment, new spin bikes, aqua fitness, personal training, body sculpting, pilates and more. The CVAC also has a tennis club that offers clinics and private lessons. The club also offers basketball, a lap swimming pool and bocce ball, and it has a wellness center and Gill's Grill, which is open for breakfast and lunch. Just do it!

■ Best Dog-Friendly Hotel

■ Most Dog-Friendly Restaurant

Cypress Inn — Lincoln Street and Seventh Avenue, Carmel-by-the-Sea - (831) 624-3871 - www.cypress-inn.com.

Located in the heart of Carmel-by-the Sea, just blocks from the village's famous beach, shops, galleries and restaurants, the Cypress Inn offers every comfort including recently remodeled rooms and the personal service of a thoughtful staff. Dogs and cats are welcome to stay at the Cypress Inn with their owners, and can often be seen partaking of happy hour ... or just parading through the lobby in a kind of canine meet-and-greet. The Cypress Inn has 44 rooms on two floors, a large vaulted ceiling living room lobby, and beautifully landscaped courtyard both with fireplaces. Terry's Lounge is a great setting for a continental breakfast, afternoon tea, and appetizers and drinks each evening.

■ Best Hotel

■ Best Restaurant for a Special Occasion

Bernardus Lodge and Marinus restaurant — 415 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley - (831) 658-3400 - www.bernardus.com.

Nestled among the oaks and vineyards of scenic Carmel Valley, Bernardus Lodge offers the luxury of a resort with epicurean flair. The resort, owned by Ben Pon and managed by Mike Oprish, has 57 sumptuous guest rooms located in nine single- and two-story adobe buildings along a terraced hillside, a luxurious spa, ballroom and function space, swimming pool, two tennis courts, a croquet lawn and vineyard. Its flagship restaurant, Marinus, is known for its elegant setting, innovative cuisine and outstanding wines. And you can even book a table in the kitchen where you can watch the chefs at work. Bernardus also offers a more casual restaurant, Wickets.

■ Best Inn/B&B

■ Best Brunch

■ Best Piano Bar

Mission Ranch — 26270 Dolores St., Carmel - (831) 624-6436 - www.missionranchcarmel.com.

Historic Mission Ranch, owned by former Carmel Mayor Clint Eastwood, is one of the most spectacular spots on the Monterey Peninsula. Offering unique rooms, a historic 1850s farmhouse, complimentary continental breakfast and use of the tennis courts, Mission Ranch includes several different types of rooms with names such as the Farmhouse Room, the Hay Loft and Meadow View Room. The exquisite views are unrivaled: meadows stretch to the south, joining the wetlands and Carmel River Beach. Point Lobos can be seen in the distance across Carmel Bay. The Ranch consisted originally of 160 acres and was owned by Juan Romero, a Native American who is believed to have lived in the village next to the Carmel Mission. Needless to say, the Mission Ranch restaurant has outstanding casual cuisine, a welcoming fireplace and a great patio for happy hour drinks. And in the piano bar, jazz is the preferred genre (for obvious reasons).

RETAIL

■ Best Florist

Swenson & Silacci Flowers — 432 Alvarado St., Monterey - Mon. to Fri., 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Sat., 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. - (831) 216-4068 - www.swensonandsilacci.com.

Widely regarded as the best florist in Monterey County, Swenson & Silacci, a Salinas landmark since 1945, has earned many awards and accolades including National Retail Florist of the Year in 2004 by the Wholesale Florist & Florist Supplier Association. Swenson & Silacci, which delivers throughout the Monterey Peninsula, offers 100 percent satisfaction guarantee.

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After 20 years in downtown Pacific Grove, Mum's Place, owned by Mugo and Talin Tersakyan, continues to offer a large collection of fine furnishings and accessories, including sofas and loveseats, chairs and recliners, dining room and bedroom sets, and home office furnishings. Customers can choose from 5,000 fabrics and quality furnishings at the best value, and even let Mum's interior designers guide them through the exciting possibilities among an array of classic, traditional and contemporary furniture.

Best Golf Shop

The Golf Mart — 2040 Fremont Blvd., Seaside - Mon. - Fri., 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Sat., 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sun. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. - (831) 583-1000 - www.worldwidegolfshops.com.

Opened in 1999, The Golf Mart has approximately 12,000 square feet of retail space dedicated to golf clubs, golf clothing and other golf equipment essential for avid Peninsula golfers. The Golf Mart carries all the best brands, including Callaway, Titleist, Ping, Top Flite, Mizuno, Adidas, Wilson, MacGregor, Odyssey and Taylor Made. The Golf Mart's Seaside golf shop is managed by Scott Seadler.

Best Hardware Store

Best Housewares Store

Brinton's Remarkable Home and Garden Store — 546 Carmel Rancho Shopping Center, Carmel - Mon. to Fri. 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.; Sat. 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sun., 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. - (831) 624-8541 - www.brintons.com.

Located at the mouth of Carmel Valley, Brinton's has been serving the local community for 47 years and has become a no-brainer for hardware, housewares, linens, landscaping and furniture. The store offers 38,000 square feet of merchandise, a warm shopping environment, plenty of parking and friendly, knowledgeable staff members committed to giving the personal attention Carmelites deserve.

Best Pet Store

Petco — 960 Del Monte Center, Monterey - Mon. to Sat., 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Sun., 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. - (831) 373-3034 - www.petco.com.

One of the chain's 800 stores, Petco at Del Monte Center has everything you need, not only for dogs and cats, but reptiles, amphibians and birds. The store also holds adoption events to

help homeless animals find love, as well as vaccination clinics, and pet classes in subjects such as "puppy socialization" and basic dog training.

Best Garden Shop

Griggs Nursery — 9220 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley - Mon. - Sat., 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sun. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. - (831) 626-0680 - www.griggsnursery.com.

Founded in the 1960s in Pacific Grove by Dean Griggs, the nursery favored by Pine Cone readers occupies two plant-filled acres in Carmel Valley, where the emphasis is where it always has been: customer service. "We try to be really helpful," said owner Ken Griggs. "When somebody leaves here, we want to make they sure have everything they need." Because of our local climate, Griggs specializes in drought resistant plants. "And we

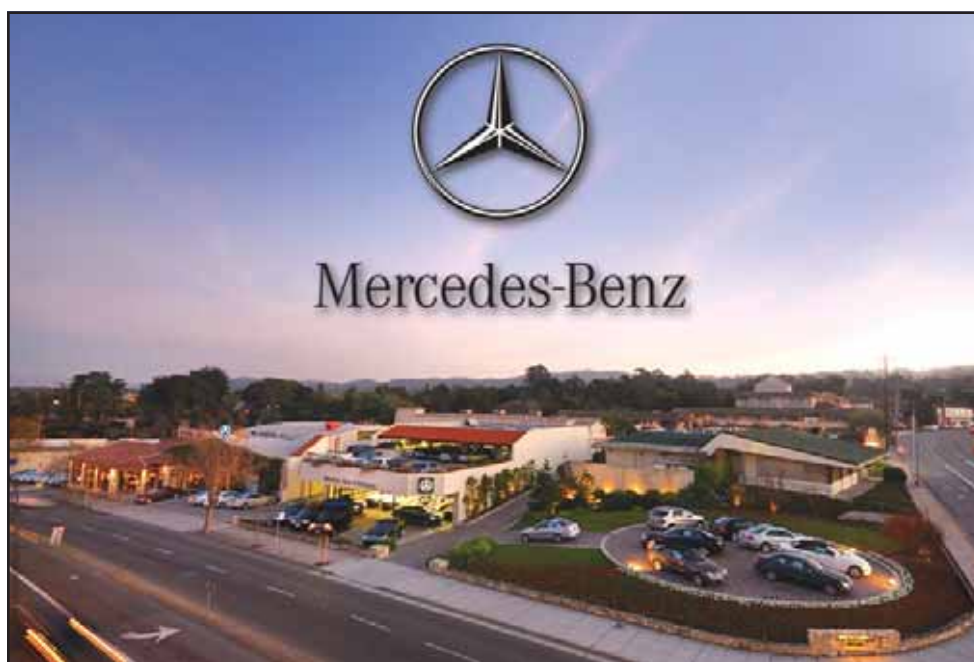
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also have plenty of things which are deer resistant," Griggs said.

Best Camping/Skiing/Surfing store

On the Beach Surf Shop — 693 Lighthouse Ave., Monterey - Mon. to Sat., 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. - (831) 646-9283 - www.onthebeachsurfshop.com.

Long a mainstay of the Monterey Peninsula surf scene, OTB has thrived since it moved into its new digs four years ago. Owner Kelly Sorensen stocked his new store with all the latest gear — not only for surfing, but for skateboarding and snowboarding. And the decor makes you feel like you're in a tropical paradise!

Best Pharmacy

Longs Drugs — 6 The Crossroads, Carmel, (831) 624-0195; 2170 N. Fremont St., Monterey, (831) 373-6134; and 686 Lighthouse Ave., Monterey, (831) 655-5404 - 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily - www.longs.com.

Not only does it stock prescriptions and basic medical needs, Longs also has a wide variety of food and beverages, candy, greeting cards, cosmetics, household electronics and point-and-shoot cameras, and they have a nifty machine to turn digital photos into prints. It's amazing what a modern "drug store" has become.

Best Camera/Photo Store

Wolf/Carmel Camera & Video — Fifth Avenue and San Carlos, Carmel-by-the-Sea - Mon. to Sat., 9:30 to 6 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (831) 624-8880 - www.wolfcamera.com.

Now part of a national chain, but still with plenty of the friendliness and character it had when it was just Carmel Camera, the store boasts an expert staff that really knows the difference between raw and jpeg, which point-

and-shoot is best, and whether that \$1,000 Nikon zoom lens is worth the money. Another virtue: the store is just uphill from the Carmel post office, and the planter outside Carmel Camera is one of the top Pine Cone distribution sites!

Best Toy Store

Thinker Toys and Books — San Carlos Street and Seventh Avenue, Carmel-by-the-Sea - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily, except weekends when the store closes at 8 p.m. - (831) 624-0441 - www.thinkertoys.com.

Even if you don't have kids, you've seen the giant Knex Ferris Wheel in the front window, and you've probably encountered some of those cute, animated animals on the mat out front. The store's motto is "Toys for Thinking Kids of All Ages," and those include games, puzzles, books, novelties, musical instruments and building sets.

Best Children's Clothing Store/Boutique

Heaven — Lincoln Street between Ocean and Seventh, Carmel-by-the-Sea - Mon. to Sat., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sun. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. - (831) 624-6550

Walk into the stylish and nicely appointed Heaven, and you immediately wish you were little again. The boutique, which caters to girls, features European, contemporary-style clothing, from casual to dressy, as well as shoes and boots. The popular shop also carries up to size 14 to ensure every girl, even the bigger ones, leave with something they really want to wear.

Best Men's Clothing Store

J. Lawrence Khaki's Men's Clothier of Carmel — 3744 The Barnyard, Carmel - Mon. to Sat., 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. - (831) 625-8106 - www.khakisof-carmel.com.

Opened 14 years ago by Jim and Connie Ockert, Khaki's has become the local favorite men's store not only for its wide variety of top-of-the-line men's merchandise — from tuxedos

to resort wear — but for its community involvement. The store's annual Ferrari event has become a mainstay of Concours Week every August, benefitting the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and the Carmel Youth Center.

Best Men's Shoe Store

Hedi's — Ocean Avenue at Mission Street, Carmel-by-the-Sea, and 3630 The Barnyard, Carmel - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily - (831) 624-5880 - www.hedi.com.

Specializing in comfortable and stylish shoes from around the world, including Ecco, Alan Edmonds, Clark's New Balance and many more. Buying shoes from an inexperienced salesman can be a very frustrating experience ... but that has never been a problem at Hedi's.

Best Women's Clothing Boutique

GBG — Mission Street at Seventh Avenue, Carmel-by-the-Sea - Mon. to Sat., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. - (831) 626-3368.

Since it opened more than a decade ago, GBG (Girl Boy Girl) has rightfully established its place as THE place to go for upscale boutique and designer goods in Carmel. Owner Sweet Pea puts her mark of personality on the selection of clothing, which is simultaneously chic, colorful and quintessentially Californian. All the staff treats you like you're the most important person in the room!

Best Women's Accessories

Cole Hahn — Carmel Plaza, Ocean Ave., Carmel-by-the-Sea - Mon. to Sat., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sun. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. - (831) 624-2650 - www.colehahn.com.

One of a group of super-luxury shops that have recently opened in Carmel Plaza (including Louis Vuitton, Tiffany and Wilkes Bashford), Cole Hahn of course specializes in fine men's and women's shoes. But Pine Cone readers especially appreciate the store for its handbags, leather goods and sunglasses.

Best Women's Shoe Store

Lloyd's — Ocean Avenue at Dolores Street, Carmel-by-the-Sea - Mon. to Sat., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sun. 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. - (831) 625-1382 - www.lloydsshoes.com.

A favorite in downtown Carmel since it opened in 1975, Lloyd's offers a unique and extensive collection of women's footwear from Italy, Spain, Brazil, Asia and the United States, along with professional (not overbearing) service. Lloyd's also has handbags, leg-wear and socks.

Best Place to Buy Designer Clothes

Wilkes Bashford — Carmel Plaza, Carmel-by-the-Sea - Mon. to Sat., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sun. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. - (831) 626-6262 - www.wilkesbashford.com.

Luxury shopping reached a whole new level downtown when Wilkes Bashford replaced Saks at Carmel Plaza in 2006, bringing such iconic brands as Brioni, Kiton, Loro Piana, Luciano Barbera, Velentino, Oscar dela Renta, Narciso Rodriguez, Alessandro Dell'Acqua and Jean Paul Gaultier. The genius behind the store — and its sister locations in San Francisco, Palo Alto and Mill Valley — is Wilkes Bashford himself, whose attention to detail is obvious. "We remain committed to providing you with uncompromising style, utmost quality and sophistication, and the finest and most comprehensive service," the store says.

Best Place to Resell Something You Haven't Worn in Years

The Wardrobe — 167 Fountain Ave., Pacific Grove - (831) 655-3636.

The things that distinguish The Wardrobe from other resale shops in the Monterey Peninsula are its no-nonsense sales terms and its popularity ... things which make it easy to offer something for sale, and more likely you'll sell it! Make an appointment to offload last season's designer and boutique goods, and you won't be disappointed. The well trained staff will only accept what's likely to sell, to the delight of sellers and buyers.

Best Jewelry Store

Hesselbein's — 143 The Crossroads, Carmel - Mon., to Sat., 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Sun., noon to 5 p.m. - (831) 625-2522

Founded by Arthur Hesselbein in 1968 in King City, Hesselbein's is a local favorite not only for its exclusive and extensive inventory — watches by Rolex, Patek Phillippe Breguet, Omega and Ebel, pearls by Mikimoto and Faberge jewelry — but because it does service and repairs for watches and jewelry. In fact, where jewelry is concerned, Hesselbein's does it all, which is not true of most jewelry stores nowadays.

Best Shopping Center/Area

Del Monte Center — Munras Avenue at Highway 1, Monterey - (831) 373-2705 - www.delmontecenter.com.

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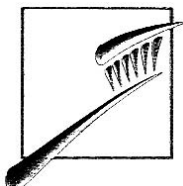


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So many changes have happened at Del Monte Center in the last five years, it's definitely worth a visit if you haven't been there in awhile. In addition to anchor tenants Macy's and Mervyn's, DMC has the 13-screen Century Theater, a brand-new Apple Store and Williams-Sonoma, plus Whole Foods, Hollister, California Pizza Kitchen and P.F. Chang's. With all the quality shopping in Carmel and at the mouth of the valley, Pine Cone

readers chose Del Monte Center as their favorite shopping area — which is quite a tribute.

■ Best Antique Shop

Trotter's — 590 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove - Mon. to Sat., 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. - (831) 373-3505.

Owner Lee Trotter has been selling top-quality antiques on the Monterey Peninsula for 60 years, and she hasn't slowed down a

bit. On her sales floor right now are a Baccarat urn, a pair of 18th century French chairs with their original Aubosson fabric, a pair of 18th century original needlepoint chairs, and an 18th century tiger maple Highboy. "I don't go out looking for anything," Trotter said. "People call me because they know I appreciate nice things, and I strive to have the most unusual and best in the shop." She also has an extensive antique doll collection.

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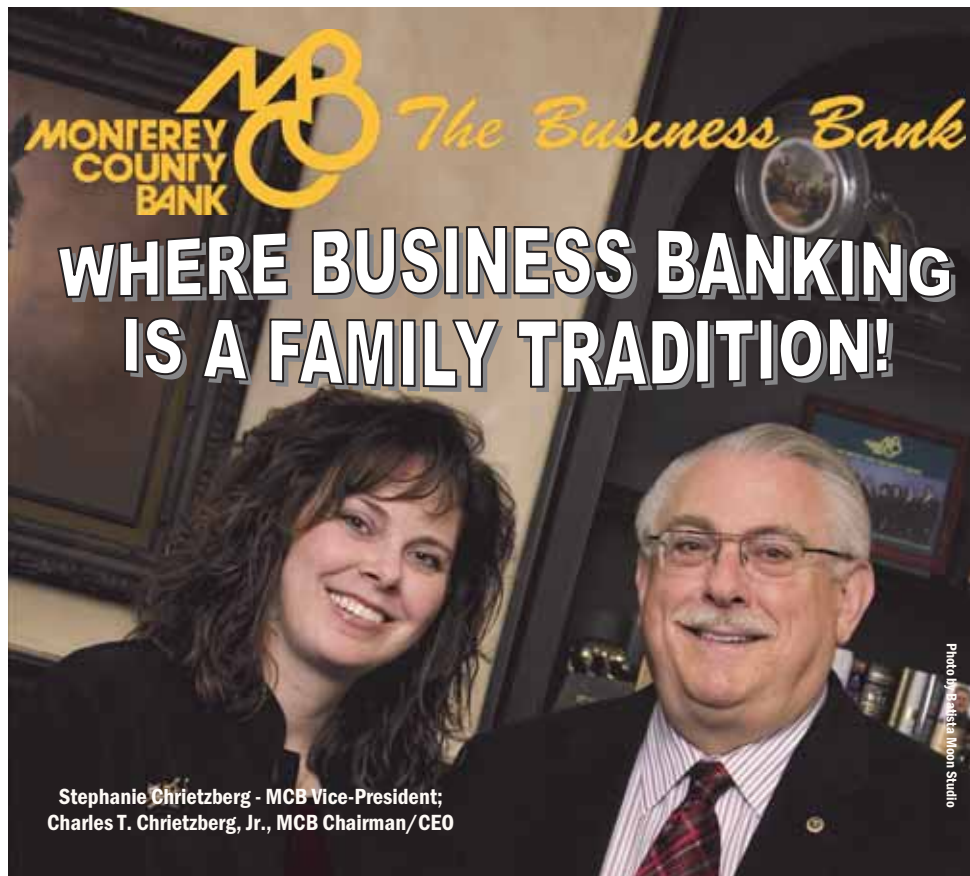
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Best Bookstore

Borders — Edgewater Center, Sand City - Mon. to Sat., 9 a.m. to 11 p.m., Sun., 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. - (831) 899-6643 - www.borders.com.

With so much book buying moving to the Internet, a host of locally owned bookstores have disappeared in recent years, and even people who don't like to shop at chain stores have to be glad Borders is here. With a vast array of titles in hardback and paperback, CDs, DVDs, the best selection of magazines this side of Manhattan, and a very pleasant coffee bar, Borders is a great place to shop, or even just to browse.

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Not only is it the most beautiful car dealership around, but Bill Stahl's Mercedes-Benz of Monterey was the first authorized Mercedes dealership in California and the second in the nation — facts in which its owners and capable staff take pride. "We are here to help you discover the true joy of driving. From the minute you enter our showroom or website, and throughout the life of your vehicle, we will do whatever it takes to make your driving experience a pleasurable one," they pledge.

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Since Toyota launched its line of luxury cars in 1990, the Lexus brand has become synonymous with superior technology, outstanding fit and finish, and great value. Among the most popular models are the LX570 SUV, the superior luxurious LS460, and the latest entry to its line of sportscars, the IS F. Another possible reason for the interest in Lexus among Pine Cone readers: the cars are the "official vehicles" of the Pebble Beach Resorts.

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GMC — sold locally by Cardinale GMC Truck, 1340 Fremont Blvd., Seaside - (831) 393-2834 -

Even with the real estate slowdown in the Monterey Peninsula, the streets are still crowded with carpenters, plumbers and electricians plying the new construction and remodel trade. And, often as not, the trucks you'll see carrying their tools are GMC. Manufacture by General Motors, GMC trucks have a well deserved reputation for ruggedness and durability — and they look sharp enough to take your family on an outing.

Best Gas Station

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Pine Cone readers might not like the high price of gasoline, but they have a soft spot for their local Chevron stations. If you're in Carmel, you can fill up your car at 3645 Rio Road. In Carmel Valley Village, you can find them at 38 W. Carmel Valley Road. If you need roadside assistance, the folks at Rio Road can help you out. The phone numbers are (831) 624-7764 in Carmel and (831) 659-4149 in Carmel Valley.

Best Carwash

El Estero — 590 Fremont Street, Monterey - Mon. to Sat., 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. - (831) 373-1801 - www.elesterocarwash.com

El Estero Hand Car Wash has been serving the Monterey Peninsula's motoring public for more than 50 years, and owners John Fleige and John Logan have an equal amount of experience in the car wash business. At El Estero, they like to say that everything begins and ends with the customer. Also, El Estero recycles its water and supports the community by donating to local schools, organizations and charities.

Best Computer Store

Computer Works — 1721 Fremont Blvd., Seaside - Mon. to Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sat., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. - www.mbcw.com.

We at The Pine Cone have a special place in our hearts for Monterey Bay Computer Works which, for the last 20 years, has been pretty much the only place in the Monterey Peninsula to buy Macintosh computers, and is therefore where all the computers in the Pine Cone offices were purchased. Computer Works' service is excellent, its sales staff is knowledgeable, and the store has every kind of PC, Mac desktop or laptop, iPod and computer accessory you need.

Best Carpet and Flooring Store

Carpets and Floors — 471 Lighthouse Ave., Monterey - Mon. to Sat., 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sun. noon to 5 p.m. - (831) 372-2300 - www.carpetsandfloors.com

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Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula — 23625 Holman Highway, Monterey, and numerous other locations - (831) 624-5311 - www.chomp.org.

According to our readers, the hospital known as CHOMP is not only the best place to work but also the best place to volunteer — and offers plenty of opportunities to do both. The hospital has about 2,300 employees and about 500 volunteers just in the CHOMP auxiliary, taking care of patients' families and manning the hospital's Fountain Court and gift shop, and raising money for projects such as the new Bloodmobile. Also, about 125 people volunteer at the hospital's hospice, another 300 help out with the Grief Busters program for children who have experienced loss, 30 volunteer for the therapy dog program, and 40 local ministers help out as chaplains. On top of all that, CHOMP has cutting-edge technology in many medical specialties.

Best Retirement Community

Carmel Valley Manor — 8545 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley - (831) 624-1281 - www.cvmanor.com.

Carmel Valley Manor's mission is to provide high-quality and fulfilling life care for the elderly in a safe, attractive and congenial environment, where residents can live and enjoy an active role in the community, secure in the knowledge their privacy, dignity and welfare will be respected and protected, all in the warm sunshine in beautiful Carmel Valley. President/CEO Jim Valentine invites you to come out and tour the warm and friendly environment.

Best Place To Get Married

Carmel Mission — 3080 Rio Road, Carmel; 9 a.m. to noon; 1:30 to 4 p.m. - (831) 624-1271 - www.carmelmission.org.

Cheerful bougainvillea dance in celebration as bells ring for each couple joined in blessed matrimony at the historic Carmel Mission — one of the most important buildings in the state from the Spanish era. A popular wedding location, reservations book up quickly at this beautiful and sacred structure more than 200 years old. The Mission Basilica seats 450 guests. The Chapel is another option for smaller groups of fewer than 70 guests. The Basilica of San Carlos at the Mission may also provide splendid music for the ceremony. The fee is approximately \$1,800 and includes organist and wedding day coordinator. If you hear wedding bells, you should check on where they are ringing ... Carmel Mission!

Best Electrician

Cate Electrical, Inc. — Dolores and Seventh, Carmel-by-the-Sea - (831) 624-5361 - K8Electric@aol.com.

Cate Electrical covers the entire Peninsula, including Marina, to Big Sur and all points in between. Mike Cate and Janine Cate Boone own and operate the business started by their father in 1961. Cate Electrical is committed to the local community in emergency work, residential, commercial, remodel, repair and generators. With four professional electricians, including Mike Cate, Jud Boone, Sean Morgan and Nic Beatty, Cate Electric provides top quality service, with honest and high attention to detail with satisfaction guaranteed.

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Best Architect/Designer

International Design Group — 721 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove - (831) 646-1261 - www.jemidg.com.

Founded by John Matthams more than 20 years ago, and now with principal architect Jun Sillano, IDG has created designs for clients the world over, including health clubs in Russia, dog racing tracks in Wisconsin and Florida, country clubs in the Bahamas and Florida, luxury homes in Maui, and even a palace for the King of Tonga. But more to the point for Pine Cone readers are the wonderful homes the firm has designed all over Pebble Beach, Pacific Grove and Carmel. They're good!

Best General Contractor

Leffel & Sons Construction, Inc. — P.O. Box 1095, Monterey - (831) 647-9746

Hal Leffel draws on his experience as a former Army officer to provide a high level of education and communication to his clients in his home remodel services. Working in the Monterey Peninsula for the last 18 years, focusing on Monterey, Pacific Grove, Carmel and Pebble Beach, Leffel combines his communication skills with experience and expertise in all of the elements that go into projects to orchestrate an efficient and appealing end product. Leffel focuses on kitchens, baths and small additions.

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■ Best Real Estate Company

Coldwell Banker Del Monte Realty — 3775 Via Nona Marie, Carmel; Junipero, 2 SW of Fifth, and Ocean Ave., 3 NE of Lincoln, Carmel-by-the-Sea; The Shops at The Lodge, Pebble Beach; 501 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove - (831) 626-2222 - www.CAmoves.com.

Perhaps it's no surprise Coldwell Banker Del Monte Realty is the Pine Cone readers' favorite: With 140 agents, several of the local superstars of real estate sales, and 40 percent of the annual market share in Carmel, CBDMR is certainly the largest local firm. But managing broker Rita Lewis knows that's not all it takes: "We have a terrific team of very knowledgeable sales associates and they really work hard to do a great job for their clients," Lewis said. "That's the name of the game." She says the company frequently gets thank you letters from clients, and that being part of a national real estate company has significant advantages. "We have an extensive network across the country ... a wonderful marketing department, an IT department and human resources — all those things agents in a smaller company wouldn't have access to." And Lewis is optimistic about the future of the local real estate market. "Coastal property is limited and there are always people with money who want to live near the ocean."

■ Best Real Estate Lender

Washington Mutual Bank — San Carlos Street and Sixth Avenue, Carmel-by-the-Sea, (831) 625-2400; 569 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove, (831) 647-3251; 291 Alvarado St., Monterey, (831) 373-8402 - www.wamu.com.

Washington Mutual may be having lots of problems with its balance sheet these days, and a lot of the trouble was apparently caused by sub-prime mortgages that have gone bad, but they must have been doing something right, because Pine Cone readers still love them!

■ Best Title Company

Old Republic — 126 Clock Tower Place, Carmel - Mon. to Fri., 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. - (831) 625-3880

Whether for a multi-million dollar estate on 17 Mile Drive or a humble Seaside bungalow, closing escrow can be complicated, and it's essential to have pros on your side. Old Republic fits the bill, Pine Cone readers say. "Our office is dedicated to providing exceptional service, which includes professionalism, knowledge, accompanied with a great attitude and love of what we do! We all put an extra effort in supporting our local Realtors and businesses," said local manager Lisa Steiny.

■ Best Personal Banker

Wells Fargo — San Carlos and Ocean, Carmel-by-the-Sea, (831) 624-5302; 26600 Carmel Center Place, Carmel, (831) 625-1767; 17 Mile Drive, Pebble Beach, (831) 624-8562; 1160 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove, (831) 375-0987; 399 Alvarado St., Monterey, (831) 655-0280 - Mon. - Fri., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. - www.wellsfargo.com.

With numerous Monterey Peninsula locations, each with an onsite manager and personal bankers to help with checking, savings, credit cards, bill pay, online banking, home mortgage, student loans and auto loans, Wells Fargo was a heavy favorite among Pine Cone readers. Wells Fargo also offers investments in mutual funds, retirement accounts, private banking, brokerage and insurance.

■ Best Business Bank

Monterey County Bank — Dolores St. between Seventh and Eighth, Carmel-by-the-Sea, (831) 626-6999; 3785 Via Nona Marie, Carmel, (831) 625-4300; 601 N. Munras Ave., Monterey, (831) 649-4600; 542 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove, (831) 655-4300 - www.montereycountybank.com.

Not only is Monterey County Bank President and CEO Charles Chrietberg Jr. one of the most recognized faces in the Monterey Peninsula business community, his bank is one of its most respected enterprises — at least, Pine Cone readers think so! In these days of banking tumult, Monterey County Bank has maintained its reputation for safety and security, and is one of the places small business owners turn first for help and advice — especially with SBA loans, which Monterey County Bank has written to the tune of \$100,000,000 since 1998. And here's something reassuring: "Monterey County Bank does not and has never provided sub-prime lending," Chrietberg says.

■ Best Investment Advisor

Doolittle & Ganos, LLC — 100 Clock Tower Place Suite 210, Carmel - (831) 624-3317 - www.doolittleganos.com;

Founded in 1975, Doolittle & Ganos offers professional services in wealth management, investment management and trust administration. With a particular emphasis on risk management, the independent investment advisory company provides sophisticated investment management and financial planning solutions for clients' complex needs. The firm manages more than \$250 million in client assets and works with individuals, family businesses, trust and nonprofit organizations with a minimum of \$1 million in investable assets. Tom C. Ganos is principal and port-

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folio manager; Jerome W. Matecun, Jr. is portfolio manager and investment counsel.

■ Best Veterinarian

The Animal Hospital at The Crossroads — 3 Crossroads Center, Carmel - Mon. to Fri., 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sat., 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.; Sun., 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m. (on Sundays, emergencies and boarding only) - (831) 624-0131 - www.Carmelvet.com.

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■ Best Yoga Studio

Carmel Yoga Center — Tenth and San Carlos, Carmel-by-the-Sea - (831) 624-4949 - www.yogacentercarmel.org.

Beginners to advanced can look to Carmel Yoga Center to find inner peace and outer strength through a variety of styles. Located in the heart of Carmel since 1989, the Carmel Yoga Center brings Hatha Yoga to clients to help reduce stress, develop strength, increase flexibility and improve balance and breathing. Since your body does not take a holiday, the Yoga Center is open on some holidays to help you get a session in before a celebration. It also has classes available for kids.

■ Best Auto Repair

Matteson's Auto Repair — 234 Grand Ave., Pacific Grove - Mon. to Fri., 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. - (831) 373-5050

In business 46 years, the Matteson family has a long-standing reputation for quality work and friendly service among clients on throughout the Peninsula. With four employees, including head mechanic Phil Hoskovich and office manager Wendy McCraner, Matteson's services all makes and models of cars, foreign and domestic, and some antique cars. Matteson's offers same-day, prompt service with satisfaction guaranteed for all services, including brakes, tuneup, oil changes, timing belts and water pumps. Matteson's appreciates its longtime, loyal customers and new customers alike.

■ Best Auto Body Shop

Gunter-Madsen Auto Body — 1231 Del Monte, Monterey - Mon. to Fri., 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. - (831) 375-2497.

Family owned and operated by Richard and Myra Sousa for the last 25 years, Gunter-Madsen handles body repair for all makes and models or cars. Manager Austin Kozloski and his team of experienced technicians work diligently to provide top level customer satisfaction at a competitive price. With four trained and service-minded employees, Gunter-Madsen can help you maintain your fleet, or your personal automobile.

■ Best Dry Cleaners

Crossroads Cleaners — 123 The Crossroads, Carmel - Mon. to Fri., 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sat 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. - (831) 624-5121.

Locally owned and operated by Phillip Yoon for the past 20 years, Crossroads Cleaners has built a reputation of outstanding quality and customer satisfaction. With eight employees, the business has thrived because of its good customer relations. Also, they have recently implemented a plan to operate in a more environmentally friendly and "greener." Services include dry cleaning, laundry, alterations, draperies, wedding gowns, suede, leather, fur and pillows.

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United — Monterey Peninsula Airport and hundreds of destinations around the world - (800) 864-8331 - www.united.com.

From Monterey, United flies only to San Francisco, Los Angeles and Denver. But from there, the airline can take you to practically everywhere. That includes business destinations such as Chicago, Atlanta and New York, vacation spots that include Hawaii, Cabo San Lucas and Orlando, and exotic foreign capitals, including Beijing, London, Frankfurt and Tokyo. Air travel isn't as easy as it was 10 years ago, or as luxurious as it was 30 years ago, but it's still a modern-day miracle to have breakfast in San Francisco and dinner in Shanghai.

■ Best Travel Agent

P.G. Travel — 593 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove - Mon. to Fri., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. - (831) 373-0631 - www.pgtravel.com.

Since 1979, Pacific Grove Travel has provided quality service, fair prices and friendly service on full-service bookings of all cruise lines, tour operators, airlines, hotels and car rentals. Travel the world with a professional to plan all of the details, customized for your personal preferences. Personal service provided by owner Joe Shammass, Christine Harmina, Laura Lockett and Mary Potter makes P.G. Travel a favorite of Pine Cone readers.

■ Best Hair Salon

Oya — 201 Lighthouse Ave., Monterey - Mon. to Sat., 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., open late on Thursdays - (831) 656-0570.

In business since 1996, owner Brian Bode and his team create modern, yet organic, hair fashions for men and women of all ages. With 11 highly trained staff members, Bode and his team draw on expertise and trends from around the globe to create great hair. They also participate in community fashion shows and support charitable causes, such as an upcoming breast cancer event with Community Hospital. Customer service is the key element in bringing stylish hair to area residents. Prior to his salon work locally, Bode worked in his family's business, Sabastian, as an artistic team member, devoted to cut and color.

■ Best Skin Care

Yon-Ka — 118 The Crossroads, Carmel - Mon. to Sat. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sun by appt. - (831) 625-4410 - www.Yonka-SignatureDaySpa.com.

YonKa Signature Day Spa offers a full variety of spa services, but it's the expert skin care, led by veteran owner and aesthetician Chatal Tourtin, that pulls in the raves. YonKa has more than 70 proprietary products that bring a European approach to skin care treatments to the Peninsula. Working with every type of age and skin type and customized for each person's specific needs, the staff provides services in cleansing, anti-aging, anti-wrinkle, deep hydration, eye and lip contour, and treatments for blemishes, sun spots and pigmentation problems.

■ Best Nail Salon

Francis Nails — 569 Lighthouse Ave., Monterey - (831) 643-0697.

For years we thought Francis Nails was one of the Monterey Peninsula's best kept secrets, until the ballots came in for the Golden Pine Cones and revealed that our savvy readers have even discovered the most hidden gems. This unpretentious establishment charges reasonable prices and has calming surroundings ... yet the cleanliness and the artistry are what you'd expect at an exclusive spa. Regulars will come to appreciate the hospitality of owners Francis and Tina Nguyen.

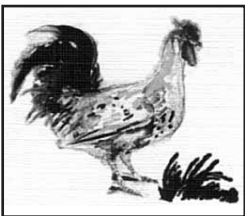
■ Best Massage Therapist

Monterey Bay Bodyworks — 301 Bonifacio Place, Monterey - (831) 372-4212 - www.montereybaybodyworks.com;

Monterey Bay Bodyworks is known for its total skin and body care. Owners Kimberly Ann Brousseau and Dawn Schweitzer are both licensed and certified massage practitioners. In addition, Brousseau is a board certified esthetician. Unique to Monterey Bay Bodyworks, a 60-minute massage is truly 60 minutes of work on the client, unlike competitors who may provide only 50 minutes of actual therapy. Available for individuals, groups or events, Monterey Bay Bodywork can help relieve tension, stimulate circulation, increase serotonin, improve muscle tone and promote total mind and body relaxation.

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8:30 p.m. daily - (831) 649-7615 -
www.pebblebeach.com.

Pure indulgence in rest and relaxation with the utmost and award winning service, The Spa at Casa Palmero won't disappoint. Located in a former mansion adjacent to The Lodge, the spa offers relaxation, rejuvenation and revitalization of the mind, body and spirit through a broad array of services, including massages, body scrubs, wraps, water treatments, skin, nail and hair care. Casa Palmero provides a soothing and inspiring environment, including 25 treatment rooms, Jacuzzi, sauna, steam and inhalation room, salon, conservatory and outdoor pool.

■ Best Dentist

Brad Carl, DDS — 26485 Carmel
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www.bradcarl.com.

Dr. Brad Carl is devoted to restoring and enhancing the natural beauty of smiles using conservative, state-of-the-art procedures that result in beautiful, long-lasting smiles. Seeing a dentist may not be the most relaxing experience for some, but Dr. Carl and his staff work to make each visit positive, comfortable and as pleasant as possible. From restoration, preventative, cosmetic, cleansing and periodontal disease treatments, to education, Dr. Carl provides the services to give patients a reason to smile.

■ Best Dermatologist

Dr. James Rheim, Cosmetic Laser Center — 757 Pacific St., Monterey -

Mon. to Fri., 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. - (831) 373-4404 - www.jamesrheimmd.com.

Dr. James Rheim and his staff work to help clients achieve healthier skin through prevention and treatment. Treatments for conditions such as acne, actinickeratosis, eczema, excessive sweating, psoriasis and rashes are Dr. Rheim's specialties. Botox, Derma fillers, hair reduction, foto facial, krypton laser and whisper laser are among the cosmetic procedures offered at the Cosmetic Laser Center. Through medical and cosmetic services, Dr. Rheim can diagnose and treat skin to promote its greatest health and beauty. He has been in practice on the Monterey Peninsula for more than 30 years.

■ Best Ophthalmologist

Dr. Leland Rosenblum, Monterey County Eye Associates — 21 Upper Ragsdale Drive - (831) 372-1500 - www.montereyeye.com

Dr. Rosenblum's expertise includes cataract

surgery, glaucoma, diabetic retinopathy, refractive surgery and oculoplastic procedures. In practice since 1994, he prides himself on a personal approach to eye care, treatment and prevention and a winning strategy for every vision goal.

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BIG SUR

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of their normal fees so they can help out the local firefighting group.

"I would never have been able to assemble a group of artists as impressive as this one," he said. "We're grateful to the artists for giving some of their time and supporting this cause. It's a special thing."

Unfortunately, most of the tickets to both shows were quickly gobbled up online by the out-of-town fans of the various performers. The Fernwood festival sold out over a month ago. "We got huge national press on this one," Govea said.

Local music fans, long accustomed to being able to purchase tickets to events at the last minute, got a break when Govea announced that an additional 50 tickets will go on sale — for Monterey County residents only — at the door Friday and Saturday for the Fernwood event. To buy a ticket, you'll need to provide ID with a local address. Tickets are \$35 for Friday and \$40 for Saturday.

Fernwood is located on Highway 1, about 25 miles south of Carmel. For more information, call (831) 667-2422.

Ramblin' Jack returns to Big Sur

Lost in the shuffle between the two popular fundraising concerts is a performance by Grammy award-winning singer-songwriter Ramblin' Jack Elliott at the Henry Miller Library Saturday, Sept. 27.

In 1961, Elliott was visiting an ailing Woody Guthrie in a New Jersey hospital when he met a then-unknown, 19-year-old Bob Dylan. The two became friends, and Elliott reportedly helped Dylan refine his stage act, even suggesting that he add his trademark harmonica brace. While Dylan later downplayed Elliott's influence, Guthrie's son, singer-songwriter Arlo once said, "There wouldn't be no Bob Dylan without Ramblin' Jack."

Later, Elliott received a Congressional Lifetime Achievement award from President Bill Clinton for his musical achievements. "He's an American legend," noted Magnus Toren, library director.

The concert starts at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$27.50. The library is located on Highway 1, just south of the Nepenthe restaurant and about 30 miles south of Carmel. For more information, call (831) 667-2574 or visit www.henrymiller.org.

MUSIC

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Numerous gigs followed, with Grandsen playing behind Barry White, the Moody Blues, Kenny Rogers, the Temptations, Aretha Franklin and the Whispers until finally forming his own group in New York City. His trio, featuring guitarist Joe Cohn and ex-Betty Carter bassist, Matt Hughes plays regularly in New York City and in Atlanta, where the group plays four nights a week in as many venues.

Grandsen's latest CD "Plays and Sings" is a collection of Jazz favorites and originals by both Joe and his Father Robert Grandsen. The album features an appearance by jazz great Earl Klugh as well as a 15-piece string orchestra. Call (831) 372-1234.

Oakland blues singer **Big Cat Tolefree** and his **Hipnotic Blues Band** roll into **Sly McFly's** on Cannery Row Saturday, Sept. 26, for an evening of West Coast rhythm & blues and soul. A third-generation Russell City blues singer, Tolefree is the real deal and has performed as an opening act for the Temptations.

Friday night, blues guitarist Shane Dwight returns to the Cannery Row venue before taking off for a week as part of the Legendary Rhythm and Blues Cruise. At Cibo Ristorante on Alvarado Street in Monterey, rhythm and blues crooner Neal Banks and his funky jazz band play Friday and Saturday night at 10 p.m. Call (831) 649-8050.

VOICES

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"We each contribute a poem that fits a theme, but in our own style," Bayless said. "The reading is woven together with our changing voices."

A Carmel Valley resident, Bayless is the author of two collections of poetry, "The Edge of the Nest" and "White Streams and Touchstones," and a new book, "Persistent Dreams." She's also featured in "Selected Poems of Point Lobos."

Lagier, who lives in Marina, has published five books, including "Coyote Dream Cantos," "Where We Grew Up," "Second-Class Citizen," "The Mangia Syndrome," and "Fishing for Portents."

A Santa Cruz resident, Avraham is a published poet and children's author with a new book, "What Will You Be, Sara Mee?"

A local guitarist, Jeanne McCombs, will accompany the poets on guitar. Proceeds from the reading will benefit the Cherry Center.

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tour maps. This year, the maps are available for free. Maps can be viewed at www.monterestudiotour.com or can be picked up at the art center.

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The art center is located at 568 Lighthouse Ave. For more information, call (831) 375-2208 or visit www.pgartcenter.org. For more about the studio tour, call (831) 659-5003 or visit www.monterestudiotour.com.

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PENSION

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term, some say it could also drive workers to find jobs in cities that offer more desirable retirement packages. offer more desirable retirement packages.

Amy Lonsinger, president of the Pacific Grove Police Officers Association, said doing away with the plan, which in some cases allows a police or firefighter to retire at nearly 100 percent of their salary, would "significantly impact" the police department.

"There are some officers in the beginning or middle of their careers WHO would probably leave," Lonsinger said.

The city's benefit plan under CalPERS allows public safety employees to retire with "3 percent at 50," meaning those workers can retire at 50 years old with retirement pay at 3 percent of their highest year's salary multiplied by the number of years they worked. All other city employees retire at 55 with 2 percent of their salary per year worked.

"If you have a police officer making \$100,000 and they retire at 50 and have 30 years of service, they are going to get 90 percent of their salary," said city manager Jim Colangelo. "And they are really getting 100 percent of their salary because they don't have to contribute to PERS" after they retire.

In 1999, Gov. Gray Davis set the precedent for 3 percent at 50 when he offered it to California Highway Patrol officers. Since then, many police and fire departments have used the retirement plan as the benchmark.

"To find the good employees, you have to pay more," Colangelo said.

But even if the city has to pay higher wages to attract new employees, Colangelo said in the long run, abandoning CalPERS could work to the city's advantage.

"At least you know what you are paying for," he said. It removes the risk."

Stock market risk

CalPERS has \$24 billion in California assets, which it invests all over the world. Ongoing costs are partly a function of how those investments perform, and while P.G. and other municipalities had been saving money on CalPERS contributions during the 1990s Internet boom, the stock market downturn that began in 2000 left P.G. owing the CalPERS system \$19 million, which Colangelo said the city will pay over 30 years.

Mayor Dan Cort believes the city should abandon CalPERS and enter into a 401(k)-type plan, which the city has not yet identified.

"We want to give a respectable compensation to the employees," Cort said. "But not to the detriment of our entire community. There has to be a balance."

But Cort said the city should have received more information about how getting rid of the plan would affect its finances before an advisory measure was placed on the ballot.

"We have to know what it means in terms of dollars

and cents," he said.

The city's financial director, Jim Becklenberg, said the amount the city might have to pay to terminate the CalPERS plan or the amount it could receive as a refund is still unclear.

That "will depend on the difference between the city's CalPERS assets and liabilities on the date we terminate the contract," Becklenberg said.

The soonest the city could opt out is July 2, 2009.

Lonsinger said terminating CalPERS would be a violation of employees' contracts.

"When we all signed on," she said, "we were told our retirement would be CalPERS, which is the plan for 95 percent of [public] employees in California. If the city were to leave and go to another plan, we would have no choice but to go to another job."

Colangelo said getting rid of the state retirement system is just another way of trimming costs — along with more than two dozen layoffs last year — not a solution to the city's fiscal woes.



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Dance Kids brings 'Nutcracker' back to Sunset

AFTER A four-year split resulting from disputes over rental rates, Dance Kids of Monterey County will return to the city-owned theater in December to present three performances of "Nutcracker."

The group has been gone since 2004, when the rate for using Sunset Center increased sharply following its remodel.

But shortly after Peter Lesnik took charge of Sunset in January, the new executive director decided to get the community dance group back, according to Dance Kids head Alan Richmond. They hope packed houses will greet the 100-plus Dance Kids, who range in age from 4 to 18, as they work their onstage magic Dec. 5-7.

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■ Jazz and sole

Those keeping an eye on the nightly specials at Bistro 211 in the Crossroads should note this Friday's dinner of grilled fresh petrale sole will be accompanied by the tunes of local jazz flautist Kenny Stahl from 6 to 9 p.m. And on Saturday night, go for Chateaubriand — roasted tenderloin of beef, for you non-French speakers — but no live music. The Sunset Specials are available from 5 to 6:30 p.m. for \$16.95, including Caesar salad, house salad or soup. Call (831) 625-3030.

■ Put waste to work

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Sept. 27, in conjunction with the Sustainability Fair and Solar Home Tour. MRWMD workers and gardening instructor Sandra Forman will teach people how to turn their yard and kitchen waste into nutrient-rich soil using commercially available compost bins or their own handmade versions. The demonstration and tips on maintenance and troubleshooting will be followed by a tour of the compost program at Carmel Middle School's habitat project, where the event will be held. CMS is located at 4380 Carmel Valley Road. For more infor-

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But if that's just too healthy, check out "Butter is Back ... and We're Toasting To That!" — a class set for 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, featuring chef Mary Pagan of the Culinary Center of Monterey, for \$55, or "From Chocolate Bean To Chocolate Dreams" Oct. 23 from 6 to 7:30 p.m., with chocolatier Scott Lund, for \$45. Call Marci Bracco at (831) 455-9990 or email marci@scheidvineyards.com to reserve.

Finally, in celebration of harvest, Scheid will star during a special dinner Friday, Oct. 17, at the famed Sardine Factory restaurant. Executive Chef Jacques Wilson and winery president Scott Scheid are collaborating on a six-course menu paired Scheid's reserve wines, and the grand affair will be staged in the unforgettable and intimate Wine Cellar in the Cannery Row restaurant. The reception will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7, at a cost of \$125 per person, including tax, tip and a gift bag. The Sardine Factory is located at 701 Wave St. in Monterey. To reserve, call (831) 373-3775.

■ Sustainable stewardship

California State University Monterey Bay's business school, the Central Coast Ag Task Force and the Grower-Shipper Foundation will host a forum Friday, Oct. 3, on the future of agriculture — particularly its sustainability and stewardship. Industry professionals, educators and politicians will discuss the environment, range lands, the

economic viability of farming, changes in agriculture, and the politics and policies that affect them all. A continental breakfast will kick off the event at 8 a.m. in the University Center on Sixth Avenue, with the forum slated to start at 9. Suggested donation is \$15, and reservations can be made by calling (831) 582-4001.

■ Belly up at Bernardus

Bernardus will showcase its fabulous new vintages and spectacular cuisine during the sixth annual Bernardus Wine Dinner Thursday, Oct. 9, beginning with a reception at 6:30 p.m. Executive chef Cal Stamenov will create a five-course, fall-inspired menu to perfectly pair with new releases from Bernardus, which produces delicious Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and a phenomenal Bordeaux blend, Marinus.

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■ New stuff to check out

The formerly dated Carmel Mission Inn at Highway 1 and Rio Road underwent a complete makeover, and so has its restaurant, now called the Fuse Lounge Café.

Executive chef Donald Rentfrow, who most recently worked as a sous chef at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach, commands a menu featuring extensive appetizers and small plates, entrées and high-end wines by the glass, and has reportedly developed a style that reflects his travels to Asia, Europe and South America.

Look for Angus bites, skewers of grilled tiger prawns, seared diver scallops, tostadas with house smoked line-caught salmon, ahi tuna prepared three ways, crispy cayenne baby artichokes, and cumin and coriander encrusted pork tenderloin. The Fuse is located at 3665 Rio Road. Visit www.carmelmissioninn.com.

Via Dolorosa — Dolores Street's nickname owing to its several Italian restaurants — is set to lose one. Tutto Mondo is en route to becoming a Thai restaurant. That shift follows the closure of Vietnamese restaurant Julihahn, which was replaced by Dametra, a Mediterranean place.

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Two-and-a-half years ago, when former board member Ernie Lostrom stepped down, Ellison sought the position but lost to Marcy Rustad during hearings that sparked conflict and ill feelings among board members and the public.

This time around was infinitely more pleasant, according to board president Annette Yee Steck.

"It was very, very nice — not contentious at all — and so

constructive and wonderful. It was a pleasure to go through," she said. "I am so grateful we had seven such well qualified candidates."

During the Sept. 9 meeting, the board interviewed Joe Hertlein, Ellison, Brian Rasmussen, recent CHS graduate Kyle Macdonald, Richard Kreitman, Rosaleen Hong Ryan and Matthew King. Each trustee asked each candidate two questions, and the board's student representative asked one.

"It was a real opportunity for the board to see the candidates think on their feet, much like during a board meeting, where the work of the board happens in open session,"

Ellison observed.

Steck found Ellison's performance impressive.

"Not only did he answer the questions well, but he answered every single part of the question, and he was the only candidate to do that," Steck reported. "He was very thoughtful and methodical."

People applauded after each interview, and supporters in the audience made their comments. Then board members discussed each person's positive attributes but avoided talking about potential shortcomings — one of the factors that made the previous appointment process so unpleasant.

Of the seven, two were nominated: Ellison and Macdonald, who is 18 and graduated from Carmel High in June after serving a year as student body president, during which time he represented students on the CUSD board.

Rustad proposed Macdonald "for some incredibly good reasons," Steck said. "She felt mentoring a young person was very important, and we had a unique opportunity to focus on the high school with him."

Steck pointed to Macdonald's maturity.

"Not only is he wise beyond his years," she said, "but he was sometimes wise beyond our years."

'Fresh perspective'

Nonetheless, the majority chose Ellison, who was a strong candidate because he has young children in the school system — in contrast to board members whose children attend the high school or have already graduated — represents Carmel Valley and speaks Spanish. He's accustomed to working with a diverse group of people and, as chief of the medical staff at CHOMP, has spent the last year serving on its board of trustees.

He also "brings a fresh perspective to our board," Steck said. "He has been active in our schools and community but hasn't had a ton of interaction with our board, and I think that's a good thing."

Ellison said he's looking forward to the challenge and wants to focus on ensuring the district connects with the community it serves.

"The No. 1 issue is always going to be communications and making sure expectations are being met by the school system," he said.

During his years living in the valley and chatting with other parents, Ellison has heard "people are generally quite pleased with the experience in the schools," he said. "But we can't rest, and certainly there is a desire to be focused at the high-school level. You hear that again and again."

Ellison was sworn in as the board's newest member at its Sept. 22 meeting and will serve the remainder of Howard Given's term, which ends with the election in November 2009.

He's already committed to running for a full term.

"When I was thinking about applying for this, that was a commitment I made to myself. I really wasn't interested in being a placeholder for a year," said Ellison, who will spend the next 13 months learning the job. "I need to do everything I can in the next year to make sure the voters in the district know I'm representing them and doing a good job."

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THE ALZHEIMER'S Association will hold its fundraising Memory Walk in Seascape Saturday, Sept. 27, and to ensure as many Peninsula residents as possible take part, the nonprofit will offer free shuttles to the resort just south of Santa Cruz. The annual event raises money for local programs and services for Monterey County families forced to deal with Alzheimer's Disease. For more information about the event or the free shuttles, call (831) 464-9982 or visit www.alz.org/norcal.

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CERT

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have been singled out as watersheds that could wreak havoc.

Butch Kronlund, a general contractor and one of those lobbying for the creation of a local CERT, is taking those warnings seriously. "We are talking about debris flows and slide events that stagger the mind," Kronlund said.

In response to the challenges the community could face this winter, Kronlund is urging his neighbors to get started on the CERT training process.

"The point is that we would be well served in organizing ourselves in a fashion that respects each of our unique skills on a local level and doing some team building," he suggested.

To become qualified to join a CERT, residents must take an online course and a live 20-hour training class. For locals interested in becoming CERT members, Kronlund recommends they take the online class as soon as possible. A local live class is tentatively scheduled for the first week of November. To take the online CERT course, visit www.citizen-corp.gov/cert/IS317. For more information, send an email to bigsurcert@aol.com.

PUPPIES

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Tiscornia said the SPCA for Monterey County makes sure each animal it puts up for adoption has undergone a checkup by a veterinarian. Any health issues known by SPCA staff are disclosed to potential owners.

Tiscornia also praised Farr's bill for its language that would require animals to be walked and exercised every day. That, he said, often doesn't happen in puppy mills where breeding females are sometimes confined around-the-clock.

"In the worst cases," Tiscornia said, "these cages are sitting on stilts so the dog's feces" falls to the ground.

The bill, according to Tiscornia, is not intended to affect responsible pet owners who often breed dogs as a hobby.

"Reputable breeders never breed up to 50 puppies a year," Tiscornia said. "Those would be irresponsible breeders."

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Public Notice

The Planning Commission of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing on 8 October 2008 in City Hall located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and 7th Avenues. The Public Hearing begins at 4:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the agenda permits. The purpose of the hearing is to gather public input prior to taking action on the proposal described in this notice. Persons interested in the proposal are encouraged to review additional materials available at the Department of Community Planning and Building located at City Hall on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and 7th Avenues, phone number 831-620-2010, prior to the meeting date. 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. This project is an amendment to the Local Coastal Implementation Plan and will require approval by the City Council and Coastal Commission.

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

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Proposed Action: Consideration of revisions to sections 17.30 and 17.52.080 of the Carmel Municipal Code/Local Coastal Implementation Plan to require a Use Permit for the demolition of any existing residential or commercial structure. This change will shift all demolition permit requests from the Design Review Board to the Planning Commission for review and approval.

Project Location: City-wide
Parcel Description: N/A
Environmental Status: Exempt
Coastal Permit Status: Not required
File #: MP 08-4
Is this Project appealable to the Coastal Commission?
Yes X No

Applicant: City of Carmel
Application Date: N/A
Date of Notice: 26 September 2008

Publication date: Sept. 26, 2008 (PC944)

DOGS

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negotiations with ICS for a parcel along Imjin Road, the owners of an equestrian boarding facility on that parcel have opposed it. "To me it's a bump in a road that we will work our way out of," Gambord said.

Overall, Gambord and Diehl said the project has been met with open arms. "There has been such enthusiasm about this whole program," Gambord said. "It has been just amazing."

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Editorial

Bailout myths

THE FEDERAL purchase of failed mortgages to prevent the housing crisis from spreading to even more sectors of the economy is widely being described as a “\$700 billion bailout” — implying that taxpayers will lose the \$700 billion they’ll be investing in those failed mortgages. But the mortgages aren’t worthless. They are secured with real estate. Because of the fluidity in the national housing market, no one knows what the mortgages are worth. But it definitely isn’t zero. So when the taxpayers invest their \$700 billion, they will definitely get much of it back. They may get most of it back. They may get all of it back ... or even make a profit. Keep that in mind when you hear what the bailout will “cost.”

An even bigger whopper is told about what the bailout will “cost” the average American: “\$2,000 for even man, woman and child ... even babies,” one newscaster intoned as Sens. John McCain and Barack Obama attended a meeting at the White House Thursday.

However, the tax burden in this country isn’t shared equally. The bailout will be funded with revenues from federal income taxes — a bill that principally falls on just a few people. Most Americans, in fact, pay little or no federal income tax. Even if the cost of the bailout rises to \$700 billion, it will cost them (as many as 200 million people) very little, if anything at all.

Let’s look at the numbers:

In 2006, there were about 120 million tax returns filed in the United States. The top 1 percent of taxpaying individuals and families, about 1.2 million in all, had average adjusted gross incomes of about \$390,000. This group paid 40 percent of all federal income taxes. Thus, their share of the \$700 billion bailout would be \$280 billion, or about \$233,333 apiece.

The next 4 percent of tax filers (4.8 million individuals and families) had average incomes of approximately \$95,000 in 2006 and paid about 20 percent of all federal income taxes. Their share of the bailout would be \$140 billion, or \$29,500 each.

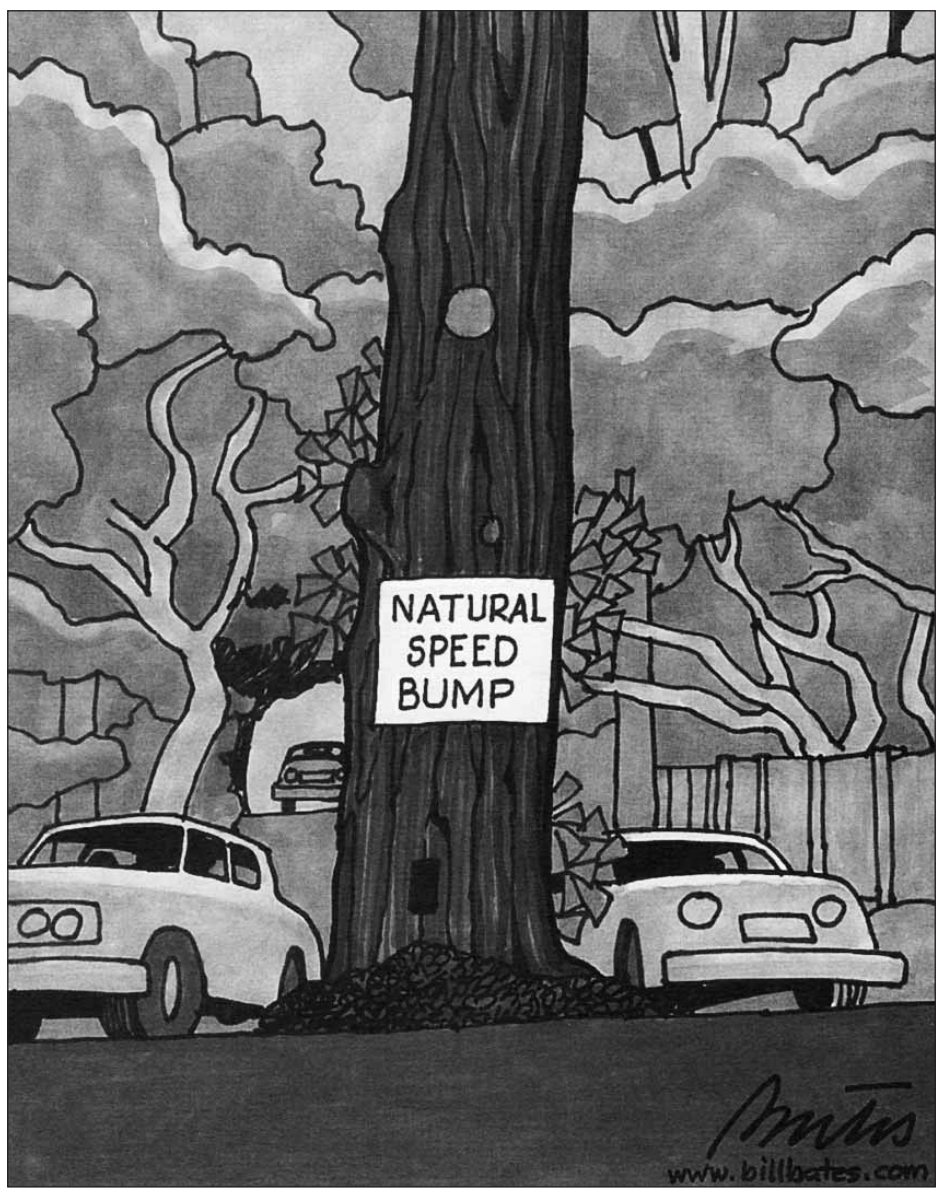
The next 5 percent of tax filers included 6 million individuals and families with average incomes of \$64,000 and who paid 11 percent of all federal income taxes. Their share of the bailout would be \$77 billion, or \$12,833 each.

Are you starting to get the idea?

Let’s leap ahead to the bottom 50 percent of individuals and families who filed tax returns in 2006. They had incomes of less than \$31,987, and there were 60 million of them. They paid 3 percent of all federal income taxes, making their share of the bailout \$21 billion, or \$350 apiece.

This is not a commentary on the justice or injustice of the proposed bailout or our system of taxation. It is simply a plea for more accurate reporting on what the bailout is, what it will cost and who will pay the bill.

BEST of BATES



Letters to the Editor

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‘No more attractive’

Dear Editor,

The 46-unit Villas De Carmelo proposed for the Carmel Convalescent Hospital site on Highway 1 and Valley Way is being fast-tracked through the county.

This project is no more attractive than it was 16 months ago when the City of Carmel decided not to annex the land. It proposes high density two- and three-story condos in a quiet residential neighborhood. One hundred trees will be removed and traffic will be increased by 500 more trips on Highway 1, Carpenter Street, and Valley Way. The Draft Environmental Impact Report is expected in six weeks’ time. We encourage all residents on the Peninsula to oppose this development, which will set very dangerous precedents for all our communities. Watch for the public meetings and speak out!

Tracey Goodwin, Carmel

Annoyed by signs

Dear Editor,

Am I the only one who is annoyed by the tacky political signs that are starting to appear in front yards and alongside the roadways? I consider those ugly things a blatant assault on good manners and taste, and wonder if the people who erect those sight-blights really believe they will stimulate my vote for their cause or the candidate of their choice? Hardly! My reaction is quite the opposite. I carefully take note the names and will vote against anyone who has so little consideration for my visual serenity. Jeff Taylor for Congress, please take note. I find that large (5-foot by 3-foot) sign with your name splayed on it alongside Highway 1 between Flanders Drive and Ocean Avenue especially offensive. I thought Carmel was opposed to gawdy billboards and such. Yours, and the smaller ones scattered about — Mark Hood for Judge and Hornik for Judge are equally inelegant.

Milt Jines, Carmel

State budget out of control

Dear Editor,

To keep the state’s budget mess in perspective, one has to track the growth in state revenues over the past 20 years. During that time, the state’s revenue has grown many times over, to more than \$140 billion. The only thing that has grown faster has been the state’s spending ... imagine having all that money and then crying poverty! Just the sales tax alone should be enough to run every program Sacramento can dream up. And yet they just spend and spend and demand more. It’s enough to make me ill.

Katy Price, Carmel Valley

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RACCOONS

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"My husband has been traveling, and 95 percent of the time I've been here alone, but he came back that night," she said. "I was so lucky, because I don't know how I would have dealt with it."

Roxy, who was also bitten, paid a visit to the vet and is serving a 30-day quarantine. DeZee went to Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula and is undergoing the multi-week series of rabies shots.

Their physical wounds are fading, but the psychological effects of the attack are lingering. While DeZee's a little more reluctant to venture outdoors at night, her dog is in a bit of a funk as well. "She's not showing any signs of anything but depression for being locked in," DeZee said.

Carmel Police Officer Chris Johnson, who spoke with DeZee after the attack, commented, "I would rather go to a report of a parolee in a house than a raccoon in a house."

Less than a week later, a Lincoln Street resident had a

similar — though not as damaging — experience when she let her West Highland Terrier, Fiona, out around 10:30 p.m. Sept. 20.

"As the woman was standing at the door, she heard her dog yelp and then saw it run back toward the house," said animal control officer Cindi Mitchell. "The dog ran into the house through the open door, and the raccoon ran after the dog into the house, looked around and then ran back out."

Fiona suffered a bite at the base of her tail, as well as on the left hind leg. Her owner, Edith Reimers, dressed the wounds at home and called the vet, according to Mitchell. Reimers was not injured and reported the attack to police three days later.



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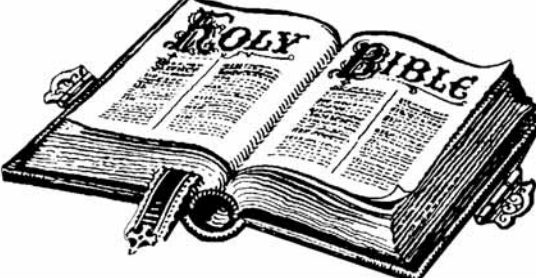
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1471 Cherokee Drive — \$204,545
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1975 Grandview Street — \$424,000
LaSalle Bank to Rodolfo Zucca and Veronica Sison
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Compiled from official county records.

POLICE LOG

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the officer. An area check with the neighbors confirmed the location of the dog. On Sept. 7, the dog owner contacted the officer by telephone, and information was obtained and a warning given.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Followup and an area check on Scenic Road were made with regard to a past-tense report of a dog running past a child and knocking the child down. The dog owner was described as a male adult with a slender build, 5 feet 10 inches tall, with white hair and a white beard, and accompanied by two females. The dog was described as a brown boxer breed. The child's mother made brief contact with the dog owner while attending to her son. She obtained no identification. The dog owner placed the dog on a leash and left the area. The child displayed no signs of injury. The mother added that when the child lost his balance, his head impacted with the ground. Unable to locate the dog and dog owner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject reported the loss of sunglasses while on Carmel Beach in the area of 13th Avenue. If located, please notify.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Victim reported losing her wedding rings, possibly in the Carmel commercial district or in the Pebble Beach area. If located, please notify.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Camino Real hotel reported an intoxicated subject inside the lobby. The subject had punched two holes in a wall. The hotel management did not want to press charges

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Ambulance was dispatched on a mutual aid for AMR to a Mal Paso Road residence for a female who had fallen and sustained a head injury. Patient transported Code 2 to CHOMP.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance responded to a medical call at Ocean Avenue and Del Mar for the assessment and care of a patient with an injured ankle. Patient transported to CHOMP by ambulance.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 7

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female on Santa Rita Street stated that she had some plumbing work done a few weeks ago. When the bill came due, she didn't have the money to pay it. She managed to get half of the money and gave it to the plumber. She said he arrived and asked to see if there were any leaks in the system. He entered the house and checked the hot water. After seeing no leaks, he left. The resident then noticed that she had no water. The plumber was contacted. He stated that he only checked for leaks in the system and nothing else. The officer told him that a filter was missing from the outside and the water

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POLICE

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was turned off. He denied taking anything or turning off the water. He added that he needed to be paid. The officer advised the resident to contact another plumber to get the water back on.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Assistance was provided to a citizen on Dolores Street with regards to allegations of missing property involving a family member.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male stated that he was having breakfast at a restaurant on Ocean Avenue earlier in the day. He was conversing with a friend when he was approached by a female in her 70s. She asked if he was talking to his friend. He thought the question was odd, as she could see that he was conversing. He discounted her comment, and she left. Shortly thereafter, her husband approached him in a belligerent manner. The man described this male as being in his 70s also. He had no further description of either subject. He added that if he sees them again, he will call the police to identify the individuals.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female reported a possible hit-and-run to her vehicle on Ocean Avenue. Further inspection revealed no new damage.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance responded to Lincoln and Ocean for the assessment of a female with an ankle injury.

Patient refused further care and transport. She signed a medical release form.

Carmel Valley: Annoying phone calls reported. Trap requested. Case continues.

Pebble Beach: A 15-year-old juvenile male was issued citation for vandalism at Valdez and Pioneer Road at 1604 hours.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officer responded to a report of a barking dog on Santa Rita Street. No barking was heard. The dog owner was contacted and advised the officer that the dogs were at the veterinary clinic in the morning hours. The office visit was confirmed with the veterinarian. Anonymous person had made the complaint.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officer responded to a report of two dogs acting aggressively toward the person's dog, a Jack Russell terrier. All dogs were off leash, and the woman's dog was approximately five feet from her. The offending dogs were described as one large brown and white boxer/pit bull mix, and a small bull dog, brown and white in color. The dog owner was described as a male adult with a short hair cut, brown in color, wearing a gray long-sleeve shirt and black shorts. The terrier was first running with the bull dog, and then the boxer mix approached and became aggressive and pinned the woman's dog to the ground. She asked the

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male dog owner to get his dogs, but he did not answer her and kept walking. The dogs were separated, and the woman returned to her vehicle and reported the incident. Units responded and were unable to locate the dog owner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Driver of a parked vehicle on Monte Verde Street returned to find the vehicle had been damaged. No suspect vehicle information.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Police services officer observed a dog loose in the business district on Dolores Street, and other units assisted with the

capture. The owner information was obtained from the I.D. tags on the dog's collar. The owner was contacted, and the dog was returned in the field. The Australian shepherd returned to the owner was one of the two loose dogs reported earlier in the day. The dog owner advised the department that the second shepherd was found in the front yard of the residence.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Wallet found in the roadway on Dolores Street near the Carmel post office was turned in to CPD for safekeep-

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LOG

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ing pending return to its owner.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person reported finding a bike locked

to the rail near the restrooms at the Sunset Center. A search of the property revealed a transient male sleeping in the restroom. He stated he thought the building was a church and therefore was allowed to sleep there. Subject was escorted off the property and advised he was subject to arrest if he were found sleeping in the building when it was closed.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A victim on Ocean Avenue called in regards to receiving a non-sufficient funded check. The victim was referred to the district attorney's office for assistance.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic collision on public property on Sixth Avenue. Property damage only.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Arrested a male suspect, age 39, on San Carlos Street in assistance to an outside agency.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female driver, age 38, was stopped on Rio Road for speeding and running a red light. She was found to be intoxicated and arrested. She was on probation and refused a chemical test. She was lodged at Monterey County Jail.

Big Sur: Two trespassers cited.

Big Sur: Consent search of a vehicle yielded approximately 11 grams of marijuana. Male suspect cited and released.

Pebble Beach: Resident reported a possible identity theft. It turned out not to be the case.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female Santa Rita resident had some plumbing work done and felt she was overcharged, so she did not pay the full amount due. The plumber returned and removed the items he had installed. Dispute is civil in nature but was referred to the district attorney's office.

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

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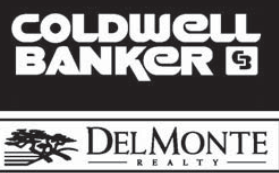
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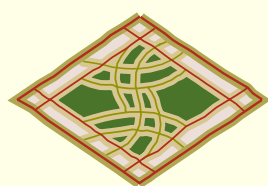
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| \$2,495,000 | 5bd 4+ba | Sa 1-4 |
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| \$2,999,997 | 3bd 2ba | By Appt. Sa Su 1-4 |
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| \$3,499,000 | 4bd ba | Su 2-5 |
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| \$3,600,000 | 5bd 7.5ba | Su 1-3 |
| 603 Belavida Mtry/Slns Hwy
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| \$3,995,000 | 3bd 3.5ba | Su 2-4 |
| 25663 Montebella Drive Mtry/Slns Hwy
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| \$539,000 | 3bd 2ba | By Appt. Sa Su 1-4 |
| 17947 Berta Canyon Road No. Monterey County
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| \$1,450,000 | 3bd 2ba | By Appt Sa Su 1-4 |
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| \$595,000 | 2bd 1ba | Sa 1 - 4 |
| 125 - 7th Street & Central #2 Pacific Grove
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| \$625,000 | 2bd 1ba | Sa 1 - 4 |
| 125 - 7th Street & Central #1 Pacific Grove
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| \$625,000 | 2bd 1ba | Sa 1 - 4 |
| 125 - 7th Street & Central #7 Pacific Grove
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| \$749,000 | 2bd 2ba | Sa Su 3-5 |
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Cellar Door Hospitality Group, LLC, doing business as The Cellar Door Chop Shoppe, whose business address was 663 Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove, California 93950, intends to make a bulk sale to Pacific Thai Cuisine, Inc., whose business address is 663 Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove, California 93950, of the following property now located at 663 Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove, California 93950: all the stock in trade, merchandise, fixtures, equipment, goodwill, and trade of the business known as "The Cellar Door Chop Shoppe".

To the knowledge of the undersigned buyer, within the past three years, Cellar Door Hospitality Group, LLC, has not used any additional business names.

The transfer of the property is subject to Commercial Code Section 6106.2, which applies to transfers for which the consideration is \$2 million or less and is substantially all cash, an obligation to pay cash in the future, or a combination of these. Claims for debts may be filed with Michael R. Lykken, California at law, P.O. Box 1138, Carmel, California 93921. The last date for filing claims is September 5, 2008.

The intended sale will be closed on or after September 8, 2008, at the Law Offices of Michael R. Lykken, Stonehouse Terrace, San Carlos between 7th and 8th, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California.

Date: August 4, 2008

Pacific Thai Cuisine, Inc.:

(s) By: Nuttivit Juntaradarapun, President
Publication date: August 29, Sept. 19, 26, Oct. 3, 2008. (PC847).

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20081645 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **DECORATIVE PAINT WORKS**, 2106 San Miguel Canyon Road, Salinas, CA 93907. Monterey County. **BRADLEY ROY BERKHEIMER**, 2106 San Miguel Canyon Rd., Salinas, CA 93907. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Aug. 2000. (s) Brad Berkheimer. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Aug. 6, 2008. Publication dates: Sept. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2008. (PC 913)

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 20061334. The following persons have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name **BEST WESTERN SALINAS MONTEREY HOTEL**, 175 Kear St., Salinas, CA 93905. Monterey County. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Monterey County on May 23, 2006. **TARPON INN LLC, FLORIDA**, 1711 Mandalay Drive, Tarpon Springs, FL 34689. This business was conducted by a limited liability company. (s) Vanich Welling, Manager. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 4, 2008. Publication dates: Sept. 12, 19, 26, Oct. 5, 2008. (PC914).

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20081822 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **SIAM ORCHID THAI RESTAURANT**, Dolores Btwn. Ocean & 7th E/S, Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93922. Monterey County. **TARPON INN LLC**, FL 34689, 24584 Castro Lane, Carmel, CA 93923. **CARMEL COMMERCIAL CONCEPTS 1 CCC, CA**, 24584 Castro Lane, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Aug. 26, 2008. (s) Vanich Welling, Manager. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 4, 2008. Publication dates: Sept. 12, 19, 26, Oct. 5, 2008. (PC 915)

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. GM-143930-C Loan No. 0713903421 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 11/22/2004. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by the duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. **TRUSTOR:STUART BISPO AND MARIA BISPO, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS COMMUNITY PROPERTY WITH RIGHT OF SURVIVORSHIP** Recorded 12/3/2004 as Instrument No. 2004128335 in Book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Monterey County, California, Date of Sale:10/3/2008 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: At the front of the main entrance of the Administration Building located at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas CA 93901 Property Address is purported to be: 1451 TERRACE STREET SEASIDE, California 93955-0000 APN #: 012-271-031-000 The total amount secured by said instrument as of the time of initial publication of this notice is \$471,888.63, which includes the total amount of the unpaid balance (including accrued and unpaid interest) and reasonable estimated costs, expenses, and advances at the time of initial publication of this notice. ETS Services,

LLC Date: 9/5/2008 2255 North Ontario Street, Suite 400 Burbank, California 91504-3120 Sale Line: 714-730-2727 Ileana Petersen, TRUSTEE SALE OFFICER ASAP# 2873918 09/12/2008, 09/19/2008, 09/26/2008Publication dates: Sept. 12, 19, 26, 2008. (PC917).

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 2008-42120501 Loan No. 0042120501 Title Order No. S803251 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 2/13/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: **JOSE RICARDO PATROCINIO, A MARRIED MAN** Duly Appointed Trustee: **GOLDEN WEST SAVINGS ASSOCIATION SERVICE CO., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION** Recorded 2/15/2006 as Instrument No. 2006014052 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Monterey County, California, Date of Sale: 10/3/2008 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: At the front of the main entrance of the Administration Building located at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, California Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$457,997.12 Street Address or other common designation of real property is purported to be.: 2030 NOCHE BUENA ST SEASIDE, CA 93955-3116 A.P.N.: 011-035-009-000 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. Date: 9/2/2008 Fidelity National Agency Sales & Posting Agent for **GOLDEN WEST SAVINGS ASSOCIATION SERVICE CO., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION** 15661 Red Hill Ave. Ste. 200 Tustin, California 92780 Telephone Number: (800) 840-8547 Sale Status Line: (714) 259-7850 Seth White, Officer Of Golden West Savings Association Service Company ASAP# 2871632 09/12/2008, 09/19/2008, 09/26/2008 Publication dates: Sept. 12, 19, 26, 2008. (PC918).

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20081855. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CARMEL MISSION PARTNERSHIP** 137 Commonwealth Ave., San Francisco, CA 94118. **ROD GOYA**, 137 Commonwealth Ave., San Francisco, CA 94118. **DONNA J. GOYA**, 137 Commonwealth Ave., San Francisco, CA 94118. **ELIZABETH A. GOYA**, 137 Commonwealth Ave., San Francisco, CA 94118. **BRADLEY S. GOYA**, 137 Commonwealth Ave., San Francisco, CA 94118. This business is conducted by a general partnership. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: October 1, 1983. (s) Rod Goya, Partner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 8, 2008. Publication dates: Sept. 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10, 2008. (PC 926)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20081814 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
1. TMH,
2. TMHNC,
3. Toyota Material Handling,
4. Toyota Material Handling Northern California,
5. Toyota Golf & Industrial,
31010 San Antonio St, Hayward, CA 94544
RJMS Corporation, 31010 San Antonio St, Hayward, CA 94544
This business is conducted by a Corporation
The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/01/2007.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)
S/ Richard Andres, President,
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 09/03/2008.
Monterey County Clerk
By: Deputy
NOTICE-This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20081862. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **SHORT AND ORDER**, 38081 Palo Colorado Road, Carmel, CA 93923. Monterey County. **AVRIL EKSTRAND**, 38081 Palo Colorado Road, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: July 1, 2008. (s) Avril Ekstrand. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 9, 2008. Publication dates: Sept. 12, 19, 26, Oct. 3, 2008. (PC 923)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20081862. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **SHORT AND ORDER**, 38081 Palo Colorado Road, Carmel, CA 93923. Monterey County. **AVRIL EKSTRAND**, 38081 Palo Colorado Road, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: July 1, 2008. (s) Avril Ekstrand. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 9, 2008. Publication dates: Sept. 12, 19, 26, Oct. 3, 2008. (PC 923)

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. GM-144598-C Loan No. 0307707759 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 5/8/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by the duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. **TRUSTOR:TRACY SOPPE, A SINGLE WOMAN** Recorded 5/17/2006 as Instrument No. 2006044251 in Book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Monterey County, California, Date of Sale:10/10/2008 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: At the front of the main entrance of the Administration Building located at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas CA 93901 Property Address is purported to be: 24820 TORRES ST CARMEL, California 93923 APN #: 009-132-001-000 The total amount secured by said instrument as of the time of initial publication of this notice is \$1,048,917.51, which includes the total amount of the unpaid balance (including accrued and unpaid interest) and reasonable estimated costs, expenses, and advances at the time of initial publication of this notice. ETS Services, LLC Date: 9/12/2008 2255 North Ontario Street, Suite 400 Burbank, California 91504-3120 Sale Line: 714-730-2727 Digna Del Fonso, TRUSTEE SALE OFFICER ASAP# 2877322 09/19/2008, 09/26/2008, 10/03/2008 Publication dates: Sept. 19, 26, Oct. 3, 2008. (PC 924)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20081855. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CARMEL MISSION PARTNERSHIP** 137 Commonwealth Ave., San Francisco, CA 94118. **ROD GOYA**, 137 Commonwealth Ave., San Francisco, CA 94118. **DONNA J. GOYA**, 137 Commonwealth Ave., San Francisco, CA 94118. **ELIZABETH A. GOYA**, 137 Commonwealth Ave., San Francisco, CA 94118. **BRADLEY S. GOYA**, 137 Commonwealth Ave., San Francisco, CA 94118. This business is conducted by a general partnership. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: October 1, 1983. (s) Rod Goya, Partner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 8, 2008. Publication dates: Sept. 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10, 2008. (PC 926)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20081756

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
Abbott Street Shell, 945 Abbott Street, Salinas, CA 93901
R & D Company, LLC., California, 14125 Mountain Quail Road, Salinas, CA 93908
This business is conducted by limited liability company
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/1/2008

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)
S/ Illegible, Member
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey on August 22, 2008
NOTICE-In accordance with Section 17920(a), a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires five years from the date it was filed with the County Clerk, except as provided in Section 17920(b), where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Original
9/19, 9/26, 10/3, 10/10/08
CNS-1427560#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Sept. 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10, 2008. (PC 927)

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 08-0065766 Title Order No. 3779179 Investor/Insurer No. 084748185 APN No. 012-714-006-000 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 11/02/2004. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by MARGARITO A PINEDO, AND NOEMI PINEDO, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, dated 11/02/2004 and recorded 11/16/04, as Instrument No. 2004121951, in Book -, Page -, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Monterey County, State of California, will sell on 10/10/2008 at 10:00AM, At the front of the main entrance of the Administration Building located at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901, at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time

of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1631 SOTO STREET, SEASIDE, CA, 939554519. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$495,873.71. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 09/18/2008 RECONTRUST COMPANY 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., SV2-202 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By: - Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 2870073 09/19/2008, 09/26/2008, 10/03/2008 Publication dates: Sept. 19, 26, Oct. 3, 2008. (PC 928)

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 08-0064393 Title Order No. 3776111 Investor/Insurer No. APN No. 119-241-011-000 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 08/11/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by ROSALBA ALVAREZ, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, dated 08/11/2006 and recorded 08/23/06, as Instrument No. 2006074210, in Book -, Page -, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Monterey County, State of California, will sell on 10/10/2008 at 10:00AM, At the front of the main entrance of the Administration Building located at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901, at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 239 LAS LOMAS DRIVE, WATSONVILLE, CA, 950765515. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$648,002.23. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 09/19/2008 RECONTRUST COMPANY 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., SV2-202 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By: - Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 2871399 09/19/2008, 09/26/2008, 10/03/2008 Publication dates: Sept. 19, 26, Oct. 3, 2008. (PC 929)

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 08-0065766 Title Order No. 3779179 Investor/Insurer No. 084748185 APN No. 012-714-006-000 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 11/02/2004. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by MARGARITO A PINEDO, AND NOEMI PINEDO, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, dated 11/02/2004 and recorded 11/16/04, as Instrument No. 2004121951, in Book -, Page -, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Monterey County, State of California, will sell on 10/10/2008 at 10:00AM, At the front of the main entrance of the Administration Building located at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901, at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. M93404.
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner, MARTHA MERINO, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. Present name:
ALAN JOSE BOTELLO
Proposed name:
ALAN MERINO

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING:
DATE: October 17, 2008
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.
(s) Kay T. Kingsley
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: Sept. 9, 2008.
Clerk: Connie Mazzei
Deputy: J. Nicholson

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. M93417.
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner, MARIA DEL CARMEN AJAN, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. Present name:
MARIA DEL CARMEN AJAN
Proposed name:
CARMEN AJAN

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two

court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING:
DATE: Oct. 10, 2008
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.
(s) Kay T. Kingsley
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: Sept. 9, 2008.
Clerk: Connie Mazzei
Deputy: J. Nicholson

Publication dates: Sept. 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10, 2008. (PC930)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20081821.

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **TIMELINES BY KARLA**, 9842 Brookgrass Place, Prunedale, CA 93907. Monterey County. **KARLA KOGAN**, 9842 Brookgrass Place, Prunedale, CA 93907. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: N/A. (s) Karla Kogan. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 3, 2008. Publication dates: Sept. 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10, 2008. (PC 931)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20081878

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

Waste Management Port-O-Let Services, 1120 Madison Lane, Salinas, CA 93907. County of Monterey.

USA Waste of California, Inc., Delaware, 1001 Fannin, Suite 4000, Houston, TX 77002.

This business is conducted by a corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/27/2008.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)

S/ Linda J. Smith, Vice President and Secretary

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey on September 11, 2008.

NOTICE - In accordance with Section 17920(a), a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires five years from the date it was filed with the County Clerk, except as provided in Section 17920(b), where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

9/26, 10/3, 10/10, 10/17/08
CNS-1427999#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Sept. 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10, 2008. (PC932)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. M93404.
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner, MARIA DEL CARMEN AJAN, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A. Present name:
ALAN JOSE BOTELLO
Proposed name:
ALAN MERINO

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING:
DATE: October 17, 2008
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.
(s) Kay T. Kingsley
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: Sept. 9, 2008.
Clerk: Connie Mazzei
Deputy: J. Nicholson

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. M93417.
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner, MARIA DEL CARMEN AJAN, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. Present name:
MARIA DEL CARMEN AJAN
Proposed name:
CARMEN AJAN

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two

on Sept. 3, 2008. Publication dates: Sept. 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10, 2008. (PC 935)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20081876.

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **TEA WORLD**, 700 T Cannery Row, Monterey, CA 93940. Monterey County. **ROBERT MICHAEL DAVID BENTLEY**, 1250 Southport Way, Gustine, CA 95322. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: N/A. (s) Robert M. D. Bentley. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 10, 2008. Publication dates: Sept. 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10, 2008. (PC 936)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. M93556.
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner, HILDA ACEVEDO, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A. Present name:
HILDA ACEVEDO
Proposed name:
ANGELINA RAMONA BULLTA

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING:
DATE: October 17, 2008
TIME: 9:00 a.m.

The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

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

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John Saar Properties 236-8909
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625 Hillcrest Avenue Pacific Grove
J.R. Rouse Real Estate 877-578-7627
- \$1,548,000** 3bd 2ba Sa 3-5
1140 Ripple Pacific Grove
Keller Williams Realty 402-9451
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981 JEWELL AV Pacific Grove
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Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2221



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218 Bentley Street Pacific Grove
J.R. Rouse Real Estate 601-5800 / 277-2382

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227 Willow Street Pacific Grove
The Jones Group 241-3141



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J.R. Rouse Real Estate 601-5800 / 320-0713

PEBBLE BEACH

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4181 Crest Rd Pebble Beach
Sotheby's Int'l RE 624-0136
- \$1,099,000** 4bd 3ba Su 2-4
4038 Costado Place Pebble Beach
Keller Williams Realty 521-9059
- \$1,250,000** 3bd 2ba Sa 2-4 Su 2-4
2876 Sloat Pebble Beach
Sotheby's Int'l RE 624-0136
- \$1,375,000** 3bd 2ba Su 1-4
987 Coral Drive Pebble Beach
John Saar Properties 622-7227
- \$1,390,000** 3bd 2ba Sa 2-4
2999 BIRD ROCK RD Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2223
- \$1,399,000** 3bd 2ba Su 12-2
2946 BIRD ROCK RD Pebble Beach
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- \$1,995,000** 3bd 3ba Sa 11-3 Su 11-2
1214 Bristol Lane Pebble Beach
Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040
- \$2,225,000** 5bd 4.5ba Sa 2-4 Su 1-4
3072 Bird Rock Rd Pebble Beach
Sotheby's Int'l RE 624-0136
- \$2,350,000** 4bd 4ba Sa 12-5 Su 12-5
1130 PELICAN RD Pebble Beach
Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040
- \$2,359,000** 3bd 2ba Sa 12-5 Su 12-5
3121 HACIENDA DR Pebble Beach
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- \$2,495,000** 3bd 4ba Sa 11-2 Su 2-4
75 Spanish Bay Circle Pebble Beach
Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040
- \$2,549,000** 2bd 3ba Sa 2-4
1110 MISSION RD Pebble Beach
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3027 Sherman Road Pebble Beach
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2873 SLOAT RD Pebble Beach
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1613 SONADO RD Pebble Beach
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- \$3,775,000** 4bd 3.5ba Su 1-4
4051 MORLA LN Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2223
- \$3,950,000** 3bd 3.5ba Sa 2-4
3076 BIRD ROCK RD Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2223
- \$4,495,000** 2bd 2ba Su 1-4
3399 17 Mile Drive Pebble Beach
Sotheby's Int'l RE 624-0136
- \$4,500,000** 4bd 3.5ba Su 12-2
3195 Forest Lake Pebble Beach
Sotheby's Int'l RE 624-0136
- \$4,750,000** 3bd 3.5ba Sa 1-4
990 Coral Dr Pebble Beach
Sotheby's Int'l RE 624-0136
- \$4,775,000** 4bd 3.5ba Sa 1-4
3331 ONDULADO RD Pebble Beach
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- \$7,950,000** 5bd 5.5ba Sa Su 2-5
1219 Padre Lane Pebble Beach
Sotheby's Int'l RE 624-0136
- \$8,495,000** 4bd 5+ba Su 1-4
3353 17 Mile Drive Pebble Beach
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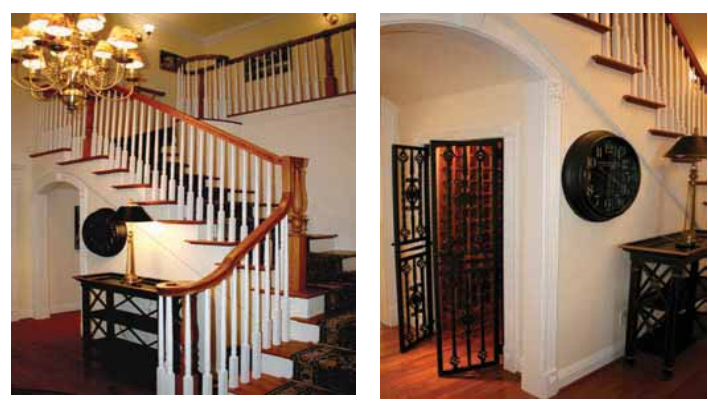
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20081921. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **JAN-LEE MUSIC**, Rancho Rico, Highway 1, Big Sur, CA 93920. Monterey County. JANET TACHE, Rancho Rico, Highway 1, Big Sur, CA 93920. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 1995. (s) Janet Tache. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 17, 2008. Publication dates: Sept. 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17, 2008. (PC 938)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE of KATHERINE R. LEAMAN Case Number MP 19195 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of KATHERINE R. LEAMAN.

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

The Petition for Probate requests that RANDI WILSON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.)

The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held on in this court as follows:
Date: October 17, 2008
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Dept.: 17

Address: Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a *Request for Special Notice* (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A *Request for Special Notice* form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for petitioner:
ROBERT E. WILLIAMS
215 W. Franklin St., #219
Monterey, CA 93940
(831) 372-8053.
(s) Robert E. Williams,
Attorney for Petitioner.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 17, 2008.

Publication dates: Sept. 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17, 2008. (PC939)

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 08-0069005 Title Order No. 3791514 Investor/Insurer No. 093615037 APN No. 119-221-020 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 06/03/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by RON MALDONADO AND PETRA MALDONADO, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS., dated 06/03/2005 and recorded 06/13/05, as Instrument No. 2005059177, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Monterey County, State of California, will sell on 10/24/2008 at 10:00AM, At the front of the main entrance of the Administration Building located at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901. at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 60 CLAUSEN ROAD, WATSONVILLE, CA. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$529,407.94. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE of BENJAMIN G. W. DEW Case Number MP 19198 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of BENJAMIN G. W. DEW aka BENJAMIN GEORGE WILKINSON DEW, M.D.

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

The Petition for Probate requests that CAMILLE BENDER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. If required by the provisions of section 2923.5 of the California Civil Code, the declaration on the mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent is attached to the Notice of Trustee's Sale duly recorded with the appropriate County Recorder's Office. DATED: 10/03/2008 RECONTRUST COMPANY 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., SV2-202 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By: Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 2881032 10/03/2008, 10/10/2008, 10/17/2008 Publication dates: Sept. 26, Oct. 3, 10, 2008. (PC 940)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE of BENJAMIN G. W. DEW Case Number MP 19198 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of BENJAMIN G. W. DEW aka BENJAMIN GEORGE WILKINSON DEW, M.D.

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

The Petition for Probate requests that CAMILLE BENDER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held on in this court as follows:
Date: October 24, 2008
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Dept.: 17

Address: Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

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

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

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a *Request for Special Notice* (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A *Request for Special Notice* form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for petitioner:
JANE BRINDLE MILLER
715 Colorado Avenue, Suite A
Palo Alto, CA 94303
(650) 321-6011.
(s) Jane Brindle Miller,
Attorney for Petitioner.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 19, 2008.

Publication dates: Sept. 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17, 2008. (PC941)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. M93553.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner, CARMELLA MANA VARGAS, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A. Present name: TEMO BENELLI RODRIGUEZ
Proposed name: ISIAIAH MARLEY RODRIGUEZ

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the

hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING:
DATE: October 31, 2008
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
DEPT: 14

The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

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

(s) Robert O'Farrell
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: Sept. 17, 2008.
Clerk: Connie Mazzei
Deputy: Araceli Jacinto

Publication dates: Sept. 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17, 2008. (PC942)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20081937. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **DAVE'S HANDYMAN SERVICE**, 1161 Los Palos Dr., Salinas, CA 93901. Monterey County. DAVID LONG, 1161 Los Palos Dr., Salinas, CA 93901. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Sept. 22, 2008. (s) David Long. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 19, 2008. Publication dates: Sept. 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17, 2008. (PC 943)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **Planning Commission of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea** will conduct a **public hearing in the City Hall Council Chambers, located on the east side of Monte Verde between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, on Wednesday, October 8, 2008.** The public hearings will be opened at 4:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible. Note: one or more of the items may be on the Consent Agenda. Items on the Consent Agenda will be approved without discussion unless someone requests otherwise. For all other items staff will present the project, then the applicant and all interested members of the public will be allowed to speak or offer written testimony before the Commission takes action. 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. DS 08-122
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Dunbar
NE corner Mission & 3rd
Block 27, Lot(s) 14, 16, 18 & 20
Consideration of a Design Study application for the installation of aluminum clad windows in a residence located in the Single-family Residential (R-1) District.

2. Del Mar Master Plan
City of Carmel
City wide
Consideration of an introduction to the Del Mar Master Plan, review of a Biological Survey for the project and a request for direction.

3. Green Building
City of Carmel
City wide
Consideration of a review of the City of Monterey's Green Building Ordinance and a request for direction.

4. Demo Use Permit
City of Carmel
City wide
Consideration of revisions to sections 17.30 and 17.52.080 of the Carmel Municipal Code/Local Coastal Implementation Plan to require a Use Permit for the demolition of any existing residential or commercial structure. This change will shift all demolition permit requests from the Design Review Board to the Planning Commission for review and approval.

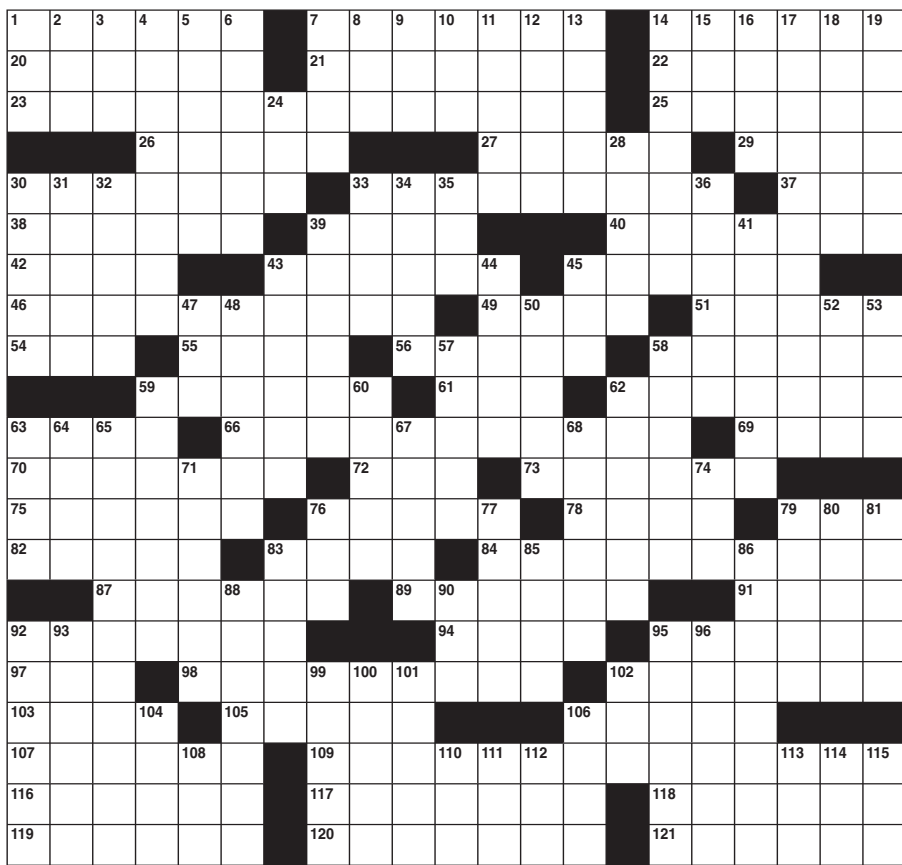
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THE NEW YORK TIMES MAGAZINE CROSSWORD PUZZLE

IT'S A MYSTERY By Brendan Emmett Quigley / Edited by Will Shortz

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| Across | 54 It's often punched on a keypad | 105 Prefix with centric | 14 Italy's Reggia di ___ (royal palace) |
| 1 Drapery material | 55 Reader's goal | 106 Only U.S. vice president born in Maryland | 15 Pizza ___ |
| 7 Lumber supplier | 56 Online reading | 107 San Luis ___ | 16 River that rises in Cantabria |
| 14 Item marked in pounds | 58 Redeem | 109 Ones in charge of a case ... or a literal hint to the eight other longest answers in this puzzle | 17 Beloved figure in England |
| 20 City and county of central California | 59 Wife, informally | 116 Vacation arrangement | 18 Bearlike |
| 21 Rushing | 61 Fraternity member | 117 Big name in auto parts | 19 Eve ____, "The Vagina Monologues" monologist |
| 22 Hair color | 62 Difficult situation | 118 French subjects? | 24 Connections |
| 23 School in Madison, N.J. | 63 Sitting with one's hand on one's chin, e.g. | 119 Alarm clock button | 28 Quaint letter opener |
| 25 Cause of worry lines | 66 Track-and-field event | 120 Psychiatric visit | 30 Eating sound |
| 26 Poet whose last words were "Of course [God] will forgive me; that's his business" | 69 Google results | 121 Major diamond exporter | 31 Persian Gulf emirate |
| 27 "Beau ___" | 70 Duds | Down | 32 Cover many subjects? |
| 29 Coup d' ___ (quick glance) | 72 Record producer who published the diary "A Year With Swollen Appendices" | 1 Mil. authority | 33 Extremely pleasing, in slang |
| 30 Bank postings | 73 Appetite whetter | 2 Laugh start | 34 Occupied |
| 33 Don't believe it | 75 Favored one side or the other | 3 Suffix with cyan- | 35 Word with smart or mind |
| 37 Seward-to-Fairbanks dir. | 76 Kon-Tiki material | 4 City with the world's first telephone directory (1878) | 36 Upbraid |
| 38 ___ rancheros | 78 Turned right | 5 Loyal following | 39 Biological dividing wall |
| 39 Levelheaded | 79 What eds. read | 6 Nuts | 41 Being debated |
| 40 Raw bar offering | 82 Get divorced | 7 Had work looming? | 42 Kind of fin |
| 42 Officer in "Alice's Restaurant" | 83 ___ avis | 8 Combined | 43 Dumped out |
| 43 Launches | 84 Dropped off | 9 Blade in sports | 45 Singer Corinne Bailey ___ |
| 45 Classic theater name | 87 More spooky | 10 The shakes | 47 Longtime news inits. |
| 46 "The Divine Comedy," for Dante | 89 Work site? | 11 "The Da Vinci Code" scholar | 48 Potato choice |
| 49 1950s-'70s TV host | 91 German river | 12 Novelist who wrote "The Gravedigger's Daughter" | 50 Egyptian crosses |
| 51 Petrol purchase | 92 Trig angle | 13 No-tell motel visit | 52 Yemeni money |
| | 94 Salad morsel | | 53 Tolkien creatures |
| | 95 "On Language" columnist | | 57 Nobodies |
| | 97 Mens ___ (guilty mind) | | 58 Southern legume |
| | 98 Pantry array | | 59 Scoundrels |
| | 102 Enzyme in some yeasts | | 60 Window washer's boo-boo |
| | 103 There's one for dance | | |
- Answer to puzzle is on page 13 in the Real Estate section



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| 63 Ghostlike | 80 Predictors | 95 Sacred places | 110 Paris's Parc ___ Princes |
| 64 Big tournament | 81 Brief indulgence | 96 Winning hand in blackjack | 111 Sixth-century year |
| 65 Card game played to 61 | 83 "Malcolm in the Middle" boy | 99 Stewpots | 112 Prefix with freak |
| 67 China's Zhou | 85 Cy Young candidates' stats | 100 Certain flower girl | 113 Letters on a brandy bottle |
| 68 Loose overcoat | 86 Liberal | 101 "The Grapes of Wrath" family | 114 Marine predator |
| 71 Condense again, as an article | 88 Behind | 102 T-shirt size: Abbr. | 115 Org. that has its benefits |
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For Rent

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House for Rent

CARMEL - Ocean sunsets, 3bd / 2ba, newly remodeled. Satellite, alarm, internet. \$3500 / month. Call 682-1388 or 626-4115 10/26

Rental Wanted

LOOKING FOR AN APARTMENT / HOME FOR TWO DANISH LADIES. Needed from September 26 - November 4. Can you help? Please phone (831) 625-2299. Ask for Mike. 9/26

Rental Wanted

LANDLORD SELLING HOUSE. previous Carmel home owner looking to rent a home in Carmel/Monterey/Pebble Beach. For my self and my cats. Need quiet street with fence yard. Pilot for mayor Airline. Excellent ref. & credit history. Will consider property caretaker position. (831) 238-0885 9/26

www.carmelpinecone.com

Wanted to Rent

Looking for opportunity to home-caregive in exchange for reduced rent. I specialize in household organization. Committed to helping you find time to enjoy the finer things in life. Professional, educated woman with a solid background in domestic service is organized and well read on healthy living strategies. Great with kids and pets. References available. (559) 761-1235, cynthiarnl@yahoo.com

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CARMEL - 2 blocks to beach. 2bd/2ba. 1 month minimum. www.carmelbeachcottage.com. (650) 948-5939 9/26

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CARMEL HIGHLANDS - COVE! Atop a dramatic oceanfront cove, 3 contiguous parcels create a private sanctuary. Breathtaking views! **\$4,375,000.**



CARMEL - SERENITY! A 1BR/ 1BA, condo. Elegant marble floors in entry, kitchen & bath. Spacious patio offers partial ocean views. **\$589,000.**



CARMEL - RARE! Single-level, 2BR/ 2BA condo. Large living room, vaulted ceilings, gas fireplace, wood floors & sunny private patio. **\$659,000.**



CARMEL - SPARKLING! Near restaurants and shopping, this 3BR/ 2BA boasts new kitchen, baths, and flooring. Vistas. Close to beach! **\$950,000.**



CARMEL - LOVE IT! Charming 3BR/ 2BA home on oversized, private lot. French doors, 2 fireplaces, brick patio and cobble driveway. **\$1,195,000.**



CARMEL - UNSURPASSED! This home offers 3BR/ 3.5BA, 2-car garage, 3000+ sq. ft., and guest house. Oversized 2/10th of an acre corner lot. **\$4,495,000.**



CARMEL VALLEY - RESORT! Outstanding golf course and valley views from this 3BR/ 3.5BA, 3000+ s.f. home in Carmel Valley Ranch. **\$1,776,000.**



PEBBLE BEACH - NEW HOME! Gated 4BR/ 3.5BA Mediterranean home plus caretakers cottage. Features 7 fireplaces! Finest quality. **\$4,775,000.**

Tucked Away...



Carmel
\$1,579,000

off the beaten path...sits this upscale 2140 SF 3BR/2BA home adorned with the finest trappings of Carmel charm! Lovingly remodeled with Travertine counters and floors, Carmel Stone fireplaces, artistic alcoves, beautiful cabinets and unique lighting fixtures! A combination of plaster and tasteful washed wood walls and vaulted ceilings complete this stylish home that must be seen!

We have many open houses this weekend and they are all listed by city in today's Real Estate section, "Open House Directory."

Or

Visit our website, www.CAMoves.com for photos and details of open house properties and all properties on MLS currently for sale here.



CARMEL - GET IT ALL! In the Brookdale area, this 4BR/ 2BA ranch home is on a level acre of sun drenched, fenced land. Privacy and views! **\$1,390,000.**



CARMEL VALLEY - TUSCANY! Charming 3BR/ 2BA CV Village home. Fully fenced yard. Each room has view of garden. Private guest house. **\$699,500.**



CARMEL VALLEY - VALUE! Very nice 3BR/ 3.5BA home, near Bernardus Lodge. Great views, versatile floor plan, & deck w/hot tub. A must see! **\$1,095,000.**



CARMEL VALLEY - QUINTANA! Sunny, private & useable 104 acres of Carmel Mid-Valley ranch land. Views! Close to shopping & golf. **\$2,595,000.**



CARMEL VALLEY - EMBRACING... its vineyard surroundings and an endless view, this remarkable 4BR, 3.5BA home is on a private 12-acre site. **\$5,995,000.**



MONTEREY - FANTASTIC! Skyline Forest 2BR/ 1BA end unit. Newer carpets, newer paint, track lighting, deck & white water ocean views. **\$485,000.**



PEBBLE BEACH SUNSETS! A 4BR/ 3BA home. Updated appliances, double pane windows, hardwood floors & open beam ceilings. Ocean views! **\$1,249,500.**



PEBBLE BEACH - DEAL! What a... deal for this 3BR/ 2.5BA residence. This home offers a spacious 3,300 SF, Office, Den, and Workshop. **\$2,695,000.**



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