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April 2012 election already drawing plenty of candidates

By MARY SCHLEY

THE RACE for mayor and two members of the city council is shaping up to be an interesting one, with a pair of incumbents stepping aside and a couple of new prospective candidates declaring their intentions to vie for voters' approval in the April 10, 2012, election.

At its Nov. 1 meeting, the city council adopted a resolution officially calling for the election and requesting the county to release voter records. Potential candidates also began filing the required paperwork to begin fundraising.

Sue McCloud, the city's longest-serving mayor with a dozen years on the job, announced last week she would not seek a seventh two-year term. So far, two men have indicated their plans to replace her.

Restaurateur Rich Pèpe, who owns Little Napoli, Vesuvio, a wine shop and a pair of bakeries in town but until this week was living in Pebble Beach, said Tuesday he had found a small upstairs apartment just a few steps from city hall and is in the process of filling out the required forms to begin raising funds for his mayoral campaign. Last summer, he had stated his plans to run, but he could not be a legitimate candidate until he became a city resident. He is also registering to vote in town.

"It's going to be an interesting race," he commented.

Last week, councilman Jason Burnett took the initial steps to prepare for his own efforts to become mayor. Since he is not up for reelection to the council, Burnett is running from a safe seat.

"My commitment was to serve four years, and I think the question I am posing to voters is whether they want

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New La Playa owners envision big turnaround

By MARY SCHLEY

WHILE BARTENDERS, banquet workers, housekeepers and other longtime former employees of La Playa Hotel lined up in city hall Tuesday afternoon to lament losing their jobs when the hotel closed Oct. 31, its new owners were signing on all the appropriate lines to finalize their purchase. While they declined to reveal the sales price, deeds recorded with Monterey County at close of escrow Nov. 1 show the price for the hotel was \$18,030,000.

In a separate transaction, the hotel's cottages on the north side of Eighth Avenue were sold for \$5.6 million.

Phoenix, Ariz.-based Classic Hotels & Resorts, which

specializes in buying failing properties and making them profitable, bought the hotel from the Cope family's company, Nob Hill Properties LLC. Classic CEO Matt Crow told The Pine Cone he and his staff have extensive plans to upgrade La Playa and turn it around, too.

"La Playa is financially troubled — it's been losing money for a while," he said Wednesday. His company's specialty is purchasing "classic hotels that are losing money and making them successful again," which in turn brings more customers — and the need for more employees.

Such was the result of Classic's restoration of the Arizona

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PHOTOS/PAUL MILLER (LEFT), COURTESY KAYE DAMIANS (ABOVE)

On its last full day of business Sunday, many La Playa employees, including bartenders Noe Hinojosa and Johnny Aliotti (above) dressed in Hawaiian garb to bid their customers, and their jobs, a sad, "Aloha," while workers began the chore of loading some of the hotel's furnishings (left).

CITY INCENTIVES FOR HOTEL UPGRADES SPARK LABOR DEBATE

By MARY SCHLEY

A PROGRAM that would reward innkeepers who undertake major remodels by letting them keep part of the resulting increase in tax revenues drew fire from more than a dozen speakers at the city council meeting Tuesday, in light of the closing of La Playa Hotel and resulting layoffs that also occurred this week.

The incentive program, researched and developed by members of the Carmel Chamber of Commerce's economic development committee, was condemned as anti-union, anti-worker and excessively pro-business, and several speakers demanded it contain provisions protecting employees when their bosses decide to upgrade their properties. La Playa

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Bankruptcy filing complicates elder abuse case

By KELLY NIX

THE FORMER Marina caregiver who was sued by an elderly Carmel man for taking millions of dollars from his estate has filed for bankruptcy, according to federal court documents.

Retired physician Lawrence Loftus sued his former caregiver, Charles Harper, in February 2010 alleging Harper stole nearly \$1 million in cash and the proceeds of a \$2.7 million loan against Loftus' Scenic Road home. Harper, Loftus alleges, left him a mere \$66 in the bank.

The case seemed to be coming to a close when Harper told a Monterey County Superior Court Judge in August he would pay Loftus about \$1 million to settle the case as long as Loftus dismissed the lawsuit against him. But on Sept. 6, Harper filed for bankruptcy in U.S. District Court, claiming he is broke and unable to pay his victim.

However, in a hearing for Harper two weeks ago in Salinas, the attorney representing Loftus, Frank Hesppe, told the bankruptcy court that much of Harper's debt is a result of fraud against his client, and that Harper's bankruptcy filing should be dismissed.

"We have notified the bankruptcy court that this is a product of fraud and [that his debt] can't be wiped out in bankruptcy no matter what," Hesppe told The Pine Cone Monday.

According to Harper's Chapter 13 filing, he owns a \$2.7

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Father, daughter bitten by rattlesnake at Garland Park

By CHRIS COUNTS

A FATHER and daughter recently discovered the hard way that you don't mess with rattlesnakes.

The pair was walking on the Lupine Loop Trail in Garland Ranch Regional Park last week when the daughter chased what she believed was a lizard — but was actually a rattlesnake.

"The snake was in a rocky area and tucked down into a crevice," reported Tim Jensen, planning and conservation manager for the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District, which manages Garland Park.

The daughter, Jensen explained, moved one of her hands between several rocks and was bitten by the poi-

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Monterey County Herald tells employees it will outsource work to India

By KELLY NIX

IN NEWS that came as a shock to employees of the Monterey County Herald, management at the daily newspaper said Wednesday it's planning to outsource most of its advertising art department responsibilities to cheaper workers in India.

The change means additional staff reductions at the daily paper, which has seen its circulation reduced from 31,813 in mid-2006 to 22,368 in September. The paper over the past few years has had several rounds of layoffs and required employees to take cost-cutting furlough days.

Herald publisher Gary Omernick declined to comment on the outsourcing plan.

"That's a local issue and we are not in a position to discuss that with the media," Omernick said.

The roughly half-dozen employees in the Herald's creative services department were informed they would be offered a severance package to leave the company. The changeover could begin as early as next week, when IT specialists are expected to install special computer software to accommodate the switch.

A spokeswoman with Denver-based MediaNews Group — which, according to its website, has 57 newspapers in 11 states — said there is no corporate-wide policy on outsourcing work to other countries.

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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Baby-faced boy

SHE STILL remembers, as a small child, getting up with her dad before the birds to tag along when he went duck hunting. She liked to bring her baby blanket into the duck blind, along with orange-iced Mother's Cookies and a solemn prayer that no ducks would die that day.

Besides spending time with her dad, she most loved his bird dogs, a couple of black labs called Lucky and Star. So years later, when she learned that Angel, a friend's yellow Labrador retriever was expecting a litter,

she put her name on the list for a puppy.

Right around Mother's Day and her own birthday, the puppies were born in the middle of the night. She would have taken one home right then if she could have, as she looked at the plump little pups with their eyes not yet open. Ten weeks later, she was promised pup No. 11, the last of the litter; the baby, just as she had been.

She named him Blaise, having learned the name from the owner of a French café, who had given it to his own son. When expecting her first child, she had vowed to do the same, after the French mathematician or a saint, a student at Harry Potter's Hogwarts School or maybe just because she liked the way it sounds. Except she had a girl.

Blaise was born at a children's daycare, where little kids got to hold little puppies. So he came home already well socialized and loved.

Her baby-faced boy loves the beach and heads to the shore almost daily from his Carmel home, where he runs through the water and rolls in the sand. An omega dog, he is sweet with little dogs and submissive to the big boys at the beach, but mostly he's just happy to be there.



Karpiel receives national honors

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

ALAIN PINEL realtor Marta Karpiel will be recognized by the National Association of Realtors, and featured in its magazine, as one of five winners of the organization's Good Neighbor Award.

Karpiel, who works out of Alain Pinel's Carmel office, was chosen for her work with Freedom Fields USA removing land mines in Cambodia. The annual award "acknowledges realtors who are dedicated to strengthening communities through volunteer work and helping those in need."

NAR President Ron Phipps observed that Karpiel "has truly made a global impact and has demonstrated that realtors strive to improve the well-being of communities throughout the world."

She has worked with Freedom Fields for five years, traveling to Cambodia twice to witness the land-mine removal and meet some of the villagers benefiting from the group's work. Once land mines are removed, the area's residents use the long off-limits land for valuable crops.

A native of Poland, Karpiel donates 10 percent of her income to Freedom Fields and serves on its 13-member, all-female board of directors, according to NAR. She also works as its marketing coordinator and has helped generate more than a quarter-million dollars in donations.

She and her fellow Good Neighbor Award winners will each receive a \$10,000 grant for their charity and a \$2,000 Lowe's gift card, in addition to being profiled in the November-December issue of Realtor Magazine. They will be honored at a conference and expo in Anaheim Nov. 12.

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MoCo Bank SUES INSURANCE COMPANY

By KELLY NIX

MONTEREY COUNTY Bank has filed a lawsuit against its Oklahoma-based insurance company for refusing to cover the bank's legal bills stemming from a 2009 lawsuit in which the bank was accused of fraud, negligent misrepresentation and breach of contract.

In a suit filed Oct. 18, Monterey County Bank alleges that BancInsure, which offers insurance for financial institutions, declined to cover it when the bank and its CEO, Charles Chrietzberg Jr., and vice president Tim Leveque were sued by San Francisco-based Bank of the Orient in July 2009 over the sale of several lots at the troubled Monterra housing development.

While the Bank of the Orient lawsuit has been settled, Monterey County Bank alleges BancInsure breached its contract and the terms of the policy because it didn't defend and indemnify the bank and its employees against Bank of the Orient's claims.

BancInsure "materially breached the terms of the policy by wrongfully denying coverage, by misrepresenting the terms of coverage ... and by essentially abandoning its insured," according to the lawsuit filed by attorney Gerard Rose on behalf of Monterey County Bank.

BancInsure told The Pine Cone it does not comment on pending litigation.

According to Monterey County Bank, in October 2009, BancInsure said it would "investigate the facts surrounding" the Bank of the Orient's claims. In December 2009, however, BancInsure sent Monterey County Bank a letter in which it "purported to disclaim coverage."

A copy of the 2007 policy shows Monterey County Bank carried \$5 million in liability insurance in each of four areas of coverage, including "banking errors and omissions." The bank had a \$50,000 deductible and paid BancInsure a three-year premium of \$73,541 for the insurance policy.

While BancInsure said there was a possibility Chrietzberg and Leveque may individually be covered under the policy as to the allegations of negligent misconduct, the bank itself was not covered, Monterey County Bank's suit alleges.

"For all practical purposes, [BancInsure] had wrongly put plaintiff on notice that it was on its own as far as coverage was concerned," according to the suit.

Monterey County Bank contends BancInsure misrepresented the facts, the law and its obligations under the policy. When Monterey County Bank requested BancInsure consent to a proposed settlement with Bank of the Orient, the insurance company refused to do so, the suit alleges.

BancInsure "essentially parroted its earlier, wrongful declination of coverage as to the vast majority of subject claims asserted by Bank of the Orient," the suit says.

Monterey County Bank is seeking reimbursement of its costs and attorneys fees in defending itself against the Bank of the Orient lawsuit and other costs and damages. The suit doesn't specify a dollar amount.

In its 2009 lawsuit, Bank of the Orient alleged Monterey County Bank concealed important financial information about several Monterra lots Bank of the Orient purchased in 2005. The local bank also failed to disclose that Monterra's backers, Roger and Basil Mills, were in "serious financial distress" at the time of the sales, according to that suit.

While Monterey County Bank claimed the Mills brothers had a combined net worth of more than \$73 million, the Bank of the Orient alleged the two men had been in default on loans made to Monterra from other banks and had other substantial liabilities. Court records do not indicate how much the parties settled for in the case. But according to Monterey County property records, Bank of the Orient sold several parcels to Monterey County Bank in September 2010 for \$6,853,000.

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Police & Sheriff's Log

Maybe it's a good idea to lock your car

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17

Pebble Beach: Resident reported having a civil issue with a neighbor over property lines. The resident will be hiring a surveyor to mark the property lines.

Carmel Valley: Victim reported unknown person entered an unlocked garage door and stole several items out of two vehicles.

Carmel Valley: Responded to a verbal domestic dispute at Mid Valley between husband and wife and found the husband to be highly intoxicated. Being intoxicated is a violation of his probation. Husband was arrested.

Carmel Valley: Man at Del Mesa Carmel was under the

influence of alcohol and in possession of alcohol and was arrested for violating his probation.

Carmel area: Carmel Hills resident reported that his estranged wife violated their court order by not giving him the children.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle towed from Scenic for registration expired more than six months.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Loose dog captured in commercial district on Ocean Avenue and kenneled at CPD. Returned to owner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A citizen reported the theft of property from the beach area.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A Santa Fe resident reported receiving unwanted phone calls from another subject. The citizen wanted the incident documented in the event the phone calls continue and a restraining order becomes necessary.

Big Sur: Person reported the victim's vehicle was broken into via window smash on Oct. 13 between 1700 hours and 1800 hours. Vehicle was parked along Highway 1. Victim had

walked down to the ocean. Taken were a Coach bag and \$8,000 in cash. No suspects.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Juvenile shoplifter arrested on Junipero Street and released on citation.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Ambulance dispatched to Hatton Road for a female with weakness. Patient transported to CHOMP.

Carmel area: Clovis P.D. requested an ATC for a runaway juvenile. The juvenile was located and sent back to Clovis.

Carmel area: A Pacific Grove resident was stopped on Highway 1 for a vehicle code violation. Driver was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol.

Carmel area: Three students at Carmel High School were cited for possession of marijuana on school grounds, and two for minor in possession of cigarettes. All were suspended from school.

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: A traffic stop was conducted on Camino del Monte for a driver failing to stop at a posted stop

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Following my doctor's orders, I walk every morning throughout my neighborhood and the surrounding area, and let me tell you I feel very lucky to live in such a beautiful place. During my walks I have seen a number of beautiful homes that are not lived in on a regular basis, because they may be a vacation or second home. These homes are easy to recognize by the way they look from the street. Trash cans on the curb for multiple days, old news papers in the driveway, debris by the front door, uncollected mail spilling out of the mail box ...and more. Sometimes, parked in front I see the local mobile plumbing/clean up service van, doing emergency and costly repairs, which probably could have been avoided if the damage was discovered sooner. All of this got me thinking ... if I was the owner of one of those homes, for security, safety and financial reasons, I would like to have it monitored, and to look like someone lives there on a regular basis. Especially knowing that most of the homes in Pebble Beach are not what you would call low income homes...



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RVs offer temporary homes for Esalen workers affected by fire

By CHRIS COUNTS

DISPLACED a month ago by a fire that destroyed the housing complex they were living in, some employees of Big Sur's Esalen Institute are now living in a fleet of recreational vehicles.

"For the immediate needs of those who lost their homes, we've made arrangements for seven 25-foot trailers that are scheduled to arrive today," Esalen CEO Tricia McEntee reported Oct. 21. "The current plan is to park them at the South Coast property. The trailers are all-inclusive in terms of living and sleeping quarters, along with bathroom and kitchen facilities."

The Oct. 9 blaze swept through Esalen's

employee housing complex, which is located at South Coast Center about 1.5 miles north of Esalen on Highway 1 and about 38 miles south of Carmel. The cause of the fire is still under investigation. While the fire initially displaced about 50 residents, 29 moved back into their old rooms Oct. 21. after a disaster clean up crew finished work on them.

Of the remaining displaced employees, many have found temporary housing at Esalen and in the Big Sur community. But at least eight are staying in the mobile homes. It is unclear how long the workers will live there.

"As we move forward, we will be evaluat-

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Hearst Castle invites visitors to take their time and explore on their own

By PAUL MILLER

FOR DECADES, visiting Hearst Castle meant being kept in tightly controlled groups and constantly reminded not to touch anything or deviate from the designated tour route.

But earlier this year, the California Department of Parks and Recreation decided to let tourists wander the castle's expansive grounds on their own — making Hearst Castle available to the public in ways it never has been before.

“The change was made in response to visitor requests to have time on their own, and enjoy the castle as William Randolph Hearst's guests were able to,” said Jim Allen, marketing director for Hearst Castle State Park.

A visit to the castle starts the same way it always has, by buying a ticket for a guided tour at the visitor's center and then riding a bus up a winding driveway, past remnants of Hearst's outbuildings and a scattering of descendants of his collection of wild animals, to the top of what he called, “the enchanted hill.”

Previously, guided tours of the meticulously preserved buildings lasted about an hour and 15 minutes and were the only way for the public to visit Hearst Castle. Whether

they toured the main rooms, the upstairs suites, the kitchens, the guest houses or the gardens, visitors have usually been forbidden to leave their groups.

Despite the limitations, after being donated by the Hearst Corporation to the State of California in 1957, the castle quickly became one of the most popular parks in the state. It attracts about one million visitors per year.

While it's still true that being part of a tour group is the only way to see the inside of the buildings, tours now last only about 45 minutes, and “after they exit the buildings at the end of a tour, the guides let visitors know they're free to take time on the terraces, in the gardens and at the pools, and they can tour any part of the exterior of the castle on their own,” Allen said. “You have more time to immerse yourself in the experience of being there.”

The only limitation on

the length of a visitor's stay is closing time, when buses take everyone back down the hill.

That leaves them free to contemplate Hearst's fascination with antique sarcophagi, cannons and statues displayed in numerous parts of the grounds, explore the fabulous

Neptune Pool from any angle (except in it), lose themselves in the elaborate landscaping, or examine the details of construction of the main house, which remains uncompleted, as it was when Hearst, a newspaper magnate

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Hearst Castle has long been an inviting yet forbidding presence along the coast south of Big Sur. But now, thanks to a new state parks policy that invites visitors to explore the castle's grounds on their own, it's becoming more familiar.

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To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of ELLYN BATES and ELLYN DOWD BATES.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by FREDERICK M. BATES in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

The Petition for Probate requests that FREDERICK M. BATES 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: Dec. 23, 2011
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Dept.: 16

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.

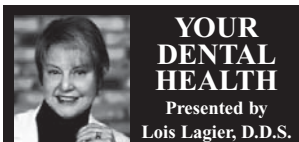
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request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

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 31, 2011.

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P.G. voters face hotel room, school bond measures

By KELLY NIX

WHEN PACIFIC Grove voters go to the polls Tuesday, they'll have to consider amending a 25-year-old motel ordinance that banned new hotel rooms in town, and an additional parcel tax the city's school district contends is necessary to continue funding important programs.

■ Measure V

In 2008, Pacific Grove voters approved Measure X, a \$35-per-year parcel tax to help fund Pacific Grove Unified School District programs. The measure, which received a 76 percent, "Yes," vote, was supposed to be in place for five years.

This year's Measure V, according to PGUSD, would "replace and extend" the 2008 tax and would increase the flat tax amount for each parcel to \$60 per year, which the district contends will help pay for computer labs, music programs, school supplies, additional library staffing and teachers and operations and maintenance equipment.

"Without Measure V, many of these programs will need to be reduced or eliminated," PGUSD superintendent Ralph Porras said in a letter mailed to residents last week supporting the measure. "Measure V will allow the district to maintain and further improve the quality of education."

The establishment of an independent citizens' oversight committee will ensure the tax funds are spent properly, according to the PGUSD. The money can't be used on administrative salaries and there will be annual audits, according to the district.

Measure V marks the third time in five years the PGUSD has asked voters to help the school district. In 2006, the city's voters passed Measure D, a \$42 million bond program used to renovate and repair the district's schools.

Measure V needs two-thirds approval to pass.

■ Measure U

Measure U, endorsed by the Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce, would allow the creation of 79 additional guest units in hotels and motels built prior to 1986.

The measure would amend Measure C, which passed in 1986 and banned new hotel and motel rooms.

According to chamber president Moe Ammar, nobody is contesting Measure U, which doesn't seek taxpayer dollars.

"This measure doesn't have any opposition," he said. "Nobody opposed it on the ballot statement."

Of the 79 additional rooms permitted under Measure U, 46 rooms could be newly constructed. The balance could be created by dividing suites or converting and remodeling existing rooms.

More hotel and motel rooms could allow the city to recover more transient occupancy tax every year.

The city currently has 1,160 visitor-serving rooms. Measure U would only affect motel and hotels and would not impact bed and breakfast establishments, Ammar said.

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Stromberg retires after 25 years at Hastings

By CHRIS COUNTS

AFTER SERVING as the resident director of the Hastings Reserve in upper Carmel Valley for nearly a quarter-century, Mark Stromberg retired last week. His last day on the job was Oct. 24.

Stromberg, 61, had managed the idyllic 2,500-acre reserve since 1988. Located about 26 miles east of Highway 1 along Carmel Valley Road, the reserve operates as a biological field station for researchers. The property is noted for its extensive grasslands and oak-covered hills.

Stromberg was doing research for the Audubon Society in southeastern Arizona when he learned the position of resident director at Hastings was open. "I applied, and by some miracle, I got the job," recalled Stromberg, who co-authored the book, "California Grasslands: Ecology and Management." "I never thought I'd be able to be here."



Mark Stromberg

Stromberg said he was drawn to the Central California Coast by his interest in Carmel poet Robinson Jeffers and the region's rich grasslands. "Point Lobos has some of the most diverse prairies in the country," he observed.

While Stromberg conceded he's a little sad about leaving the reserve, he said he'll miss the people he worked with even more.

"What I'll miss most is the interactions I had with all the graduate and undergraduate students," he said. "It was really wonderful to interact with so many people who are interested in the natural world."

Stromberg and his wife, Barbara — who worked for Carmel Internal Medicine as a lab scientist — were treated to a farewell dinner Oct. 24 at the Cachagua General Store, courtesy of owner and chef Michael Jones.

The couple is moving to the foothills of the Santa Rita Mountains in Arizona, not far from where he lived before moving to California 25 years ago. They own a house there.

"We're moving back to a place that looks a lot like home," explained Stromberg, who was born in Albuquerque, N.M. "You can see 50 miles of grasslands."

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Stevenson students raise money for breast cancer testing fund

By KELLY NIX

STUDENTS AT Stevenson School in Carmel raised hundreds of dollars in October for a fund that helps women who can't afford breast cancer testing.

Students during the month-long program encouraged their families to donate to the Carol Hatton Fund for Women in Need, which provides financial assistance for women who can't afford breast cancer diagnostic testing.

The fund is named for a longtime Peninsula resident and former development director at CHOMP who died of breast cancer in 2009.

To increase awareness of the disease, every Wednesday, students wore "We Care" buttons and student-designed "Carmel Campus Thinks Pink" t-shirts under their regular uniforms. They raised more than \$900 in the effort.

Fifth-grade teacher and parent Kirsten Matsumoto, who is also a two-time breast cancer survivor, shared her

personal experience with cancer with students during a school assembly.

Her message got through to Hunter Wenglikowski, a seventh grader at the Pre-K to 8 school.

"Hearing Mrs. Matsumoto speak made me think how many other people are going through this and how I can help," he said.

Stevenson's Carmel campus head Molly Bozzo said allowing students to hear from survivors of cancer helps them understand the importance of awareness and research of breast cancer.

"They have become passionate about the cause," Bozzo said, "and I believe they will become advocates within their families and our community because of what they have learned during this awareness campaign."

More than 100 students, faculty and staff wearing pink shirts also formed an impressive pink ribbon — the international symbol for breast cancer — for a photograph shot by Topher Mueller.



PHOTO/TOPHER MUELLER

More than 100 students, faculty and staff at Stevenson School in Carmel formed a pink ribbon to show their support for breast cancer research.

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Serra School gets security warning

By MARY SCHLEY

REPORTS OF prowlers at Junipero Serra School — most recently when a man who seemed to be on drugs walked up to the open back door of a fourth-grade classroom — prompted administrators to remind their teachers to be vigilant about security at the private school adjacent to the popular Carmel Mission.

On Sept. 16, school principal Peggy Burger told Carmel police a man had been seen hiding in the trees near the school and seemed to be watching children, until parents scared him off. Officers searched for the suspect but didn't find him, according to CPD Sgt. Mel Mukai.

Then, on Oct. 19, Burger reported a man had walked up to a door left open in the back of a fourth-grade classroom, where the teacher intercepted him and told him to leave.

He appeared to be under the influence of drugs, said Mukai, who described him as "incoherent."

"He mumbled his words and wasn't mak-

ing any sense," he said.

The intruder never crossed the threshold and was gone by the time police arrived. Officers again searched but did not find the suspect and also notified officials at nearby Carmel River School of the prowler. No further sightings were reported.

Mukai could not say whether the men were the same person.

Security questions

Warren Hoy, a volunteer spokesman for the Diocese of Monterey, said Junipero Serra School has an established security plan and the teacher followed the protocol in getting rid of the intruder and notifying Burger, who called the police. He said several classroom doors were open that day, due to warm weather and the fact workers were making repairs to them.

"The school reminded the teachers that all those doors should be closed at all times, and bolted, which is the standard procedure," Hoy said. They were also told to be careful

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SCHOOL BOARD HOPEFULS SEEK VOTES AT FORUM

By MARY SCHLEY

FIVE OF the six candidates in the race for three seats on the Carmel Unified School District board of education in the Nov. 8 election participated in a voters' forum Thursday morning, describing their positions on everything from test scores and technology, to tolerance of lawbreakers and the Carmel High newspaper. Organized by Carmel City Councilman Jason Burnett and Kristen Hunter, president of the Carmel River School PTA, the forum was held at Sunset Center, drawing several dozen parents, teachers, residents and others interested in deciding whom to choose.

The panel included former CHS principal Karl Pallastrini as a write-in candidate, Rita Patel, paralegal Mary Peitso, retired financial advisor Richard Kreitman and incumbent Annette Yee Steck. William Leatherberry, a corporate attorney, could not attend due to prior work obligations.

Candidates described why they want to be elected to the board of a public school district as a way of serving their community.

Peitso, a parent, said she's passionate about the issue and has a particular understanding of special-education needs, an area of expertise no one else has on the board, while Pallastrini, who spent more than 30 years in public education and is also a product of CUSD schools, said he wants to make a difference and support effective teaching.

Kreitman, who arrived in town a decade ago, said he received a great public education in New York and was dedicated to helping to improve the district — and wants to preserve its stellar performance and quality now that it has reached such heights. Patel said she attended public schools and studied the education system here after she arrived from England. She said she has passion for education and helping the public school system.

Steck, who has served on the board for 18 years, said she was first asked to do so because of her professional expertise in helping school districts with bond issues and other financial tools, and she continues to desire to serve. Steck acknowledged that her son, who was 2 when she first ran, did not attend CUSD schools, but also said her position on the board did not benefit her professionally — which every other board member disavowed, also. (In a letter to the editor printed in The Pine Cone Oct. 21, several current and former board members urged voters not to reelect her, criticizing her on those two points.)

Candidates varied in the degree to which they find students' performance on standardized tests important.

Patel said she thought every child could do well in school with the proper counseling and right parenting. "I believe we're doing a good job right now. I don't feel comfortable pushing test scores for the sake of pushing them," she said.

Steck said maintaining high test scores at each school is imperative, and even though much progress has been made, "we still have a long way to go."

Peitso referred to the No Child Left Behind Act's upcoming recertification and its "unrealistic goal" that every child be testing proficient by 2014, but she said officials should

focus on fixing the drop in performance on standardized tests between the elementary schools and the middle and high schools.

Pallastrini acknowledged that strong performance on standardized tests is important but said excessive emphasis on test scores places too much pressure on students and teachers, costing them some of the passion that got them into the vocation in the first place.

Kreitman agreed tests are a valid tool but said they "shouldn't be the sole method by which we assess how we're doing."

All of the candidates said they would try to find more ways to use technology in the classrooms, would post the district budget online and make it more accessible to the public, and would look into having board meetings webcast, similar to the City of Carmel's online broadcasts of city council and planning commission meetings.

Four said the Carmel High School's independent newspaper, The Sandpiper, should be resurrected, so the students can have an independent voice, though Steck pointed out that eight students signed up for journalism class the last time it

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Uninjured after rollover, driver steps off cliff

By CHRIS COUNTS

A SAN Mateo man seemingly had luck on his side when he rolled his Volkswagen Jetta on Highway 1 in Big Sur Oct. 24 and emerged from the upside-down vehicle unscathed. But his fortune ran out seconds later when he accidentally stepped off the pavement and fell about 50 feet down a steep hillside.

Osvaldo Gutierrez, 36, was later treated at Twin Cities Hospital in Templeton for "facial lacerations and complaints of pain," reported California Highway Patrol spokesman Bob Lehman.

Gutierrez was traveling south along Highway 1 at just past 6 a.m. when the accident occurred. Just south of Wild Cattle Creek — and about two miles north of Pacific Valley — he took a turn too fast and lost control of his car.

"He drifted off to the left of the road while he was turning to the left," Lehman explained. "He overcorrected and flipped his car, which landed on its roof. He got out of the car, stepped over a guard rail and fell down an embankment."

A passerby reported the accident, and rescue workers arrived less than 30 minutes later.

According to Lehman, there were no drugs or alcohol involved in the accident, but a CHP investigator determined Gutierrez was traveling at an unsafe speed.

What goes up must come down

A man who hiked to the top of 3,400-foot Mt. Manual in Big Sur Oct. 30 needed a helicopter ride back down to civilization.

"He wasn't feeling well, so he called in with his GPS coordinates," Lehman said. "He was unable to hike out. He was in pain and he was out of water."

The CHP helicopter, which took off from Paso Robles, located the man at about 6:30 p.m.

Despite its seemingly easy access from popular Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park, the trail doesn't get a lot of use, in part because it's so steep — in a little over five miles, the path rises more than 3,000 feet. It's also waterless and treeless, which makes for great views, but also a grueling climb on a hot day. The weather last weekend was unseasonably warm, which may have contributed to the hiker's condition.

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DEBATE

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closed Monday, and the workers were reportedly laid off by the Cope family without any severance, leaving them jobless going into the holiday season. They won't be able to reapply for their jobs at La Playa for nine months to a year, as Phoenix, Ariz.-based Classic Hotels & Resorts, which completed its purchase of the hotel Tuesday, is planning extensive upgrades necessary to make it viable. Last week, news of the impending closure sparked another union-organized protest that resulted in the arrests of several union representatives Oct. 28, and a parade of La Playa employees asked the council during the public comment period Tuesday to help them get their jobs back when the hotel reopens.

"It's an ironic and upsetting time to be introducing something we've been working on for a couple of years, considering what's happening at La Playa," said Homescapes Carmel owner Thompson Lange, who presented the draft ordinance Tuesday night alongside Hofsas House Hotel owner Carrie Theis. Both are members of the chamber's EDC.

Rundown rooms

The revelation that many of Carmel's inns, which contain an average of 20 rooms, are so rundown that they can't compete with hotels in neighboring cities, inspired the committee to initiate its research a couple of years ago, just as the down economy made upgrading cost prohibitive for most.

"Unfortunately, we have some very low-quality rooms," Lange said. "And it kept coming back to, 'How do we get the innkeepers of these small hotels to upgrade their space?'"

Based on a similar program implemented in Palm Springs in 2007, the ordinance seeks to encourage inns to make refurbishments that will improve the visitor experience and make the hotel industry more competitive.

The owner would develop a comprehensive remodel plan that involves spending at least \$12,500 per room to make substantial upgrades — not buying new pillows and bedding — and would commit to having the work completed in two years.

The improvements would presumably allow the hotel owner to raise room rates and draw more visitors, which in turn would generate more tax money for the city. The transient occupancy tax of 10 percent all goes to the general fund and is one of largest revenue sources in the annual budget. Twenty percent of the city's hotel stock — about 190 rooms — would be eligible each year. Lange said most hotels would remain open during renovation.

For completing the work, the hotel owner would be able to keep half of whatever increase in TOT resulted from the

upgrades, and the city would calculate the total based on the average TOT for the three years before the remodel.

Ignited by La Playa's closure and the emotional pleas of many longtime workers for help from the city, the majority of speakers opposed the proposed ordinance because it offered no provisions for workers who lose their jobs when a hotel is closed for renovation. They asked the council to consider including language requiring their rehiring upon reopening.

County planning commissioner and Carmel resident Keith Vandevere said he was "embarrassed about what's been going on at La Playa Hotel," and said the proposed program "could incentivize this kind of behavior which I'm embarrassed about."

Another speaker said the city would be jeopardizing good jobs by providing the incentive program, and resident Vinz Koller observed that "public policy is littered with unintended consequences." He said the timing of the council's consideration of the ordinance and the closure of La Playa was unintentional but fortuitous, "because it gave us a view into the future."

Carmel Chamber of Commerce CEO Monta Potter and Carmel Lodge owner David How defended the proposal as being good for inns and good for Carmel — and therefore for the people who visit it and live in it.

The incentive program should benefit the city, hotel owners and workers, councilman Jason Burnett said, before suggesting applicants be required to submit information for the public on what will happen to their employees during a major upgrade. He also wanted the ordinance to include more protection for workers and objected to the fixed minimum of \$12,500 per room, instead favoring a sliding scale.

"The key issue is, are we trying to accomplish a win-win here for inns and tax revenue, or a win-win for everybody?" he said. "And we need to fully recognize that the workers in this town are as much a part of this community as any of us." In addition, he and councilman Ken Talmage worried using three years of average TOT figures as a baseline could create a false low, depending on which years are used, which could then result in a windfall for the hotel if its reopening happened to coincide with an upswing in business overall.

They volunteered to work with city administrator Jason Stilwell to refine the ordinance.

Mayor Sue McCloud said decision makers first need to know what programs and laws are already in place to support workers in such situations, and to determine what the city can legally do.

"We don't want to promise something we can't deliver," she said.

Ultimately, the council unanimously agreed to ask Stilwell to return with information on the labor issue before members begin reworking other parts of the ordinance.



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City managers, water directors discuss how to pay for desal plant

By KELLY NIX

OFFICIALS WITH the Marina Coast Water District, Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and several cities will discuss the idea of forming a committee that would ultimately decide how money is spent for the regional desalination project.

Marina Coast general manager Jim Heitzman, MPWMD general manager Dave Stoldt and several Peninsula city managers will meet in Monterey Monday to discuss creating a budget authority committee for the proposed \$400 million regional desalination project.

The meeting “is a preliminary talk about how [a budget authority committee] might look and what the process is for putting it together,” Heitzman told *The Pine Cone*.

Marina Coast directors last month gave Heitzman the go-ahead to study the possibility of establishing such a committee, which would be responsible for making financial decisions for the regional water project.

Heitzman said the group could be made up of private citizens, representatives from the hospitality and agricultural industries, water professionals and city council mem-

bers, for instance.

Marina Coast and water district chairman Bob Brower last month discussed the possibility of giving the water district a major role in the regional project by forming a joint powers authority between the agencies.

But that can only happen after Marina Coast, the county and California American Water wrap up mediation stemming from alleged conflict-of-interest allegations involving a former county water director.

Heitzman said forming a budget authority committee would be the logical first step toward creating a joint powers authority.

Stoldt said the possible creation of a budget authority committee — and therefore transparency for the regional water project — “is something worth looking at and reporting back to my board.”

All the Peninsula city managers were invited to the meeting, as was Monterey County Counsel Charles McKee. So far, Monterey city manager Fred Meurer, Del Rey Oaks city manager Daniel Dawson, Sand City city manager Steve Matarazzo and Stoldt have accepted.

The meeting at Monterey City Hall is not open to the public, Marina Coast said.

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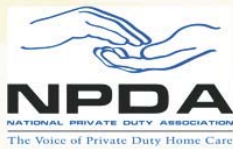
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"At this particular time," Barbary Brunner, vice president of marketing and product innovations with MediaNews Group told The Pine Cone, "these decisions are up to the individual publishers of each property."

Though Brunner wasn't familiar with the Herald's own plan to send its work offshore, the San Jose Mercury News — also owned by MediaNews — has reportedly been outsourcing part of its production work for some time.

'Gradually take on more work'

The transition, according to the Herald, will take 60 to 90 days, which will allow the Indian contractors to gradually take on more work until they are able to handle all the responsibilities currently performed by Herald workers.

It's unclear how many Herald employees, if any, will be retained in creative services once the transition is complete. But the newspaper's management reportedly told workers in that department it would like them to stay during the switchover process.

Jeannie Evers, unit chair for the Pacific Media Workers Guild, the union Herald employees belong to, said the union was "told about the changes soon after they were announced, but details right now are thin. We may know more next week."

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Church hosts interfaith gathering

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"We offer each other our presence, our prayers, our poetry, our music and our hearts," said Rabbi Jeff Schulman. "This year has been challenging for so many of us and the need for healing is so evident."

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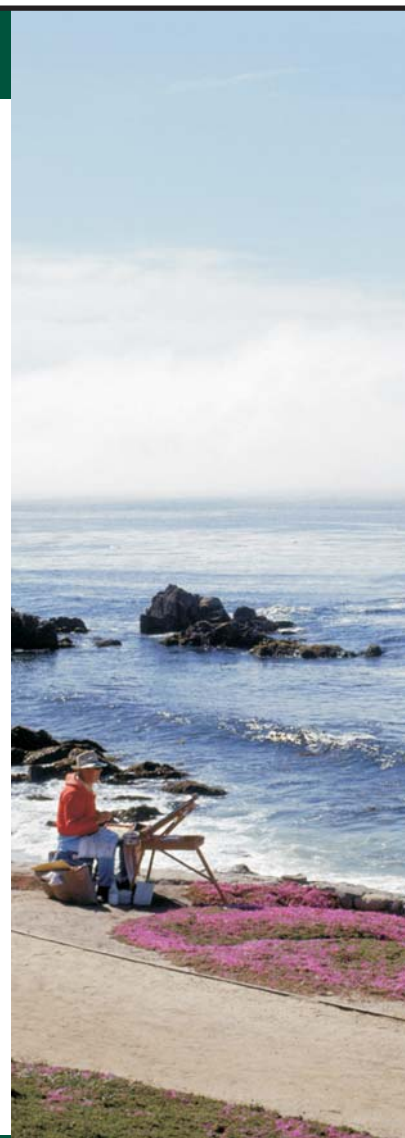
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LA PLAYA

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Such was the result of Classic's restoration of the Arizona Biltmore. "When we bought it in early '90s, it also was losing a substantial amount of money every year," he said.

After Classic closed it down in phases, remodeled it to upgrade guest accommodations while preserving its historic character, reopened it and marketed it, the Arizona Biltmore was featured in Architectural Digest and The New York Times. Its new popularity doubled hotel tax revenues for the city, "and we ended up with more employees after the fact than when we started."

In the case of La Playa, the new owners barely got a chance to know the workers there, as the Cope family sealed their records and only gave Classic representatives the month of October to talk to them, Crow said. While he didn't attend Tuesday's city council meeting, Crow said that as he watched it online, "hearing their stories, it was obvious they were not prepared and didn't know the facts about the business. La Playa Hotel was a money-losing business, and money-losing businesses are not secure places of employment."

He also learned they had not received severance, "which is pretty unusual," but he pointed out that had nothing to do with his company.

"The way the hotel was sold, we bought a closed hotel," Crow explained. "We never

had an employee in Monterey County and never fired anyone. And when we reopen, we will be looking for the best people," many of whom will probably have been employees of the Copes.

"A lot of the employees' anger is being laid at our feet," he added. "We understand that."

Also, La Playa's well respected general manager, Tom Glidden, who has been a mainstay of many community organizations and a constant presence at the hotel, has been retained by the new owners to remain as general manager only until the end of the year. He told The Pine Cone he "will be searching for new opportunities to remain on the Monterey Peninsula." His replacement at La Playa has not been named.

A long to-do list

The new owners said a lot of work has to be done before they can consider hiring anyone to work in the hotel again. Plumbing must be overhauled, rooms sound-proofed, technology installed, bathrooms and decor updated, and numerous other tasks — many of which are expensive but invisible — undertaken.

Exploratory demolition of some interior walls began Wednesday, hinting at the scope of work ahead.

Inside the walls, "we found paper bags filled with hay," said John Grossman, vice president of development projects.

"There are a lot of physical problems that need to be fixed," Crow said, adding that La Playa last underwent renovations almost three decades ago. Rooms have to provide amenities and elements modern clients take for granted — like having Internet connections and not being able to hear conversations being held next door — while remaining "in keeping with the history of the property."

"They don't even have voicemail," Grossman observed. "When you leave a message, it's a post-it note hand delivered to someone's desk."

The bathrooms in guest rooms are functional but don't meet the expectations of visitors coming to Carmel, and the decor is acceptable "but doesn't make you feel like you're somewhere special," Grossman observed.

The company enlisted the talents of

designer John Cottrell, who created the new look at the Biltmore and other Classic properties.

"He is a master at taking historical buildings and modernizing them without losing any of the ambience," Crow observed.

All of the planned changes will take place on the interior. Stone, wood and glass will be prevalent in the bathrooms, while public spaces will be comfortable and "residential," but subtle. Soft color schemes and materials will be used throughout to achieve the overarching feel of "understated elegance." Of course, everything will be as sustainable and as environmentally friendly as possible.

While the rooms and common areas inside will balance historical character with modern amenities, the outside of the building and its beloved terraced gardens will remain unchanged.

"You make an emotional connection with La Playa through its exterior and its grounds, and we want to do nothing but preserve them," Crow said. "Then we look for what's objectionable and fix what's wrong."

Plans for the restaurant and bar remain to be developed, though Crow said he understands people's sentimental attachment to the bar in particular.

"We talked to a lot of people who are local about their feelings about La Playa," he said. "The community really helps us understand what needs to be done."

The group is searching for local project managers and contractors. "To us, it's important to source all of our labor to the extent we can locally," he said.

Once the exploratory work is done and a complete survey of all 75 rooms is complete, the details of the interior renovations will be developed. Crow said the city's consideration of a program that would give hotel owners a tax break if they undertake major upgrades is of particular interest to the company.

"If it's implemented, we'll undertake more renovations," he said. If not, the work will be less expensive and have less impact.

"We're still working on budgets," he said.

And while they have been warned that getting things done in Carmel can take awhile, Grossman said his focus remains on "moving to reopen the hotel as quickly as possible."

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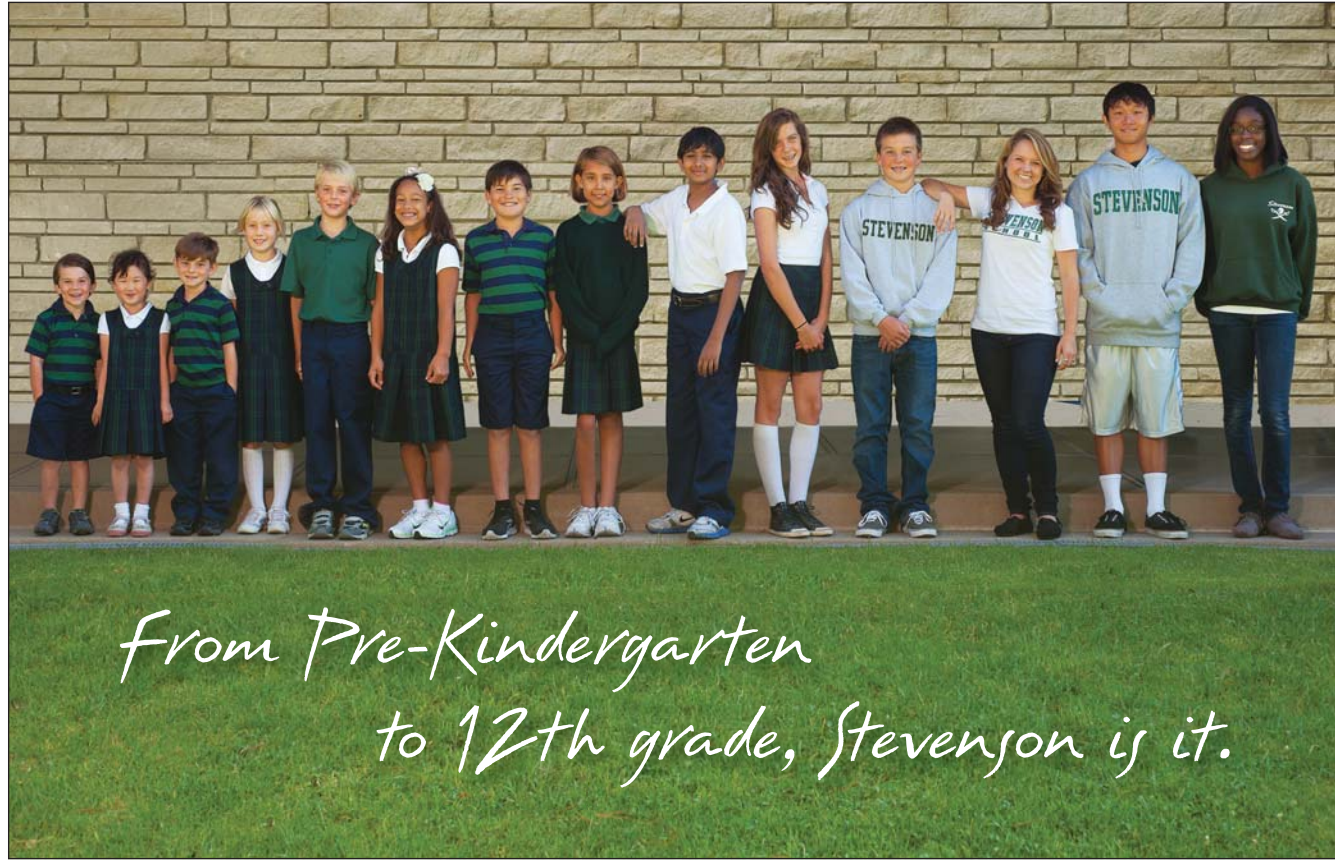
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For music-loving kids, the classics are cool

By CHRIS COUNTS

AT SUNSET Center Saturday, Nov. 5, a group of local students as young as 7 will show that classical music isn't just for grown-ups.

Youth Music Monterey County's Junior Youth Orchestra and Chamber Players will present "Delightful Dances" at the Carmel performing arts theater, showcasing the nonprofit group's many talented student-musicians. They'll be joined on stage by members of another local nonprofit youth arts group, Dance Kids of Monterey County.

Saturday's program will include performances of "Emperor's Waltz" by Johann Strauss, "Hungarian Dance, No. 2" by Franz Liszt, "Hallelujah Chorus" by George

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Members of the Youth Music Monterey County's Junior Youth Orchestra practice for their concert at Sunset Center Nov. 5.

Octogenarian artist still going strong, 'painting with gusto'

By CHRIS COUNTS

ONE OF the great talents from the Bay Area Figurative School in the 1950s and 1960s, painter Roland Petersen unveils an exhibit of work, "Past to Present," Saturday, Nov. 5 at Winfield Gallery.

A native of Denmark, Petersen studied art at UC Berkeley in the late 1940s and later took a job teaching art at UC Davis, where he worked for 37 years. As an artist, he is perhaps best known for his "Picnic" series. Inspired by the patterns of light and color he observed at a picnic, he created a series of works that were marked by saturated colors, thick

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Lula's retail store, Tuscany's moon, a gathering of WINOs and the holiday spirit

By MARY SCHLEY

THE LOCAL King of Chocolate, Scott Lund, is set to realize a years-old dream this month. The maker of Lula's Chocolates, Lund has a candy factory in Ryan Ranch and a small store in the Crossroads, but if he receives the planning commission's OK for another outlet in the Court of the Fountains when it considers his permit Nov. 9, he'll soon be open for business in the city he has long considered an ideal place to sell his candy.

"We wanted this from the beginning — to be in Carmel," he said this week.

Lund is optimistic the commission will allow him to open in the former storefront of It's Cactus on Mission Street near Anton & Michel restaurant, since it approved a permit for him to have a store on Ocean Avenue in 2005. (It never came

to fruition.) And, he said, his future landlord "loves Lula's."

Named for his grandmother, whose recipes he uses as the foundation for many of his candies, Lula's produces addictive sea-salt caramels, decadent caramel apples, fine truffles, filled chocolates, chocolate-covered marshmallows (the marshmallow is also made from scratch onsite), toffee, Rocky Road, caramel sauce and other treats. All of the production takes place in Lund's small Ryan Ranch factory, which also has a retail area and offers fun — and tasty — tours.

But many people who visit Carmel for a day or two never leave the city, "so they never have Lula's," Lund pointed out, unless they happen to pick some up at Bruno's, Nielsen Bros., or one of the other downtown stores that carries some of his products.

The new store, however, will contain everything, includ-

ing the peppermint bark his workers started making this week and the solid molded holiday-themed chocolates he'll be selling for Christmas.

Lund plans to serve his gourmet hot chocolate and other delights there. He will still operate the Crossroads store, which opened as a holiday-time experiment a few years ago and never closed, but the Carmel store has water, making serving some food possible. (The Crossroads store does not have water service, so food can not be served there.)

He is requesting the ability to be open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily. "It depends on the time of year and seasonality, but I think it will be at least 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and when possible, I would like to stay open until 8 or so," he explained.

The new store will also require hiring three more people

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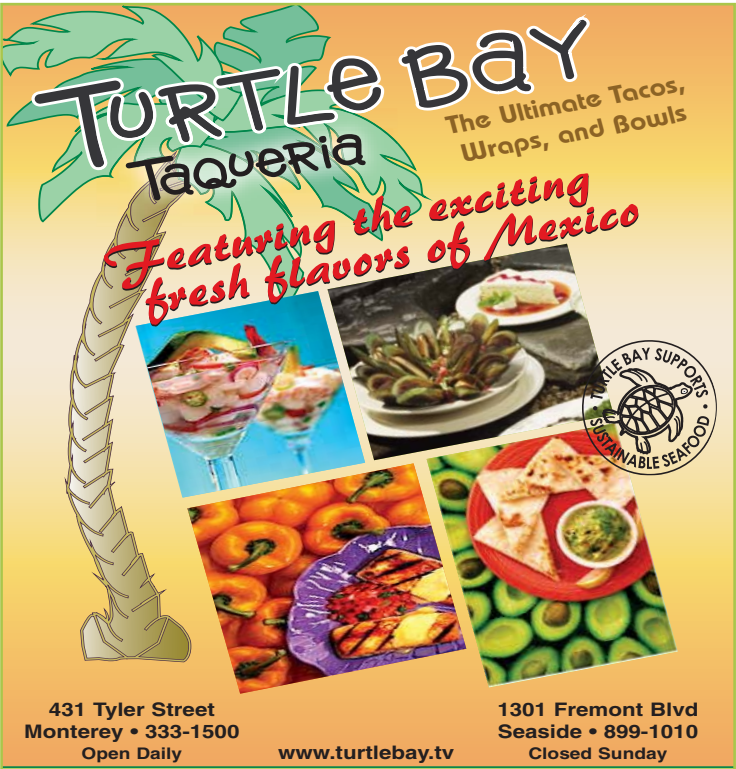
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to work 30 hours per week, “so that’s three more jobs on the Peninsula,” he added. Applications are available at the factory and the Crossroads store.

“A lot of good things are happening in Carmel,” he said. “We just want to be part of it.”

■ Under the Tuscan Moon

Staffan Terje, chef and co-owner of Perbacco in San Francisco, will join Pèppoli chef de cuisine Angela Tamura for a special dinner, Under the Tuscan Moon, Friday, Nov. 4. Perbacco was recently named the Birra Moretti Best Authentic Italian Restaurant in North America, according to organizers.

During the evening at the Spanish Bay restaurant, each chef will prepare a four-course tasting menu, and guests will be able to choose which they would like.

Antipasti selections will be warm artichoke custard, Piemontese pig’s trotter cakes, Asti minestrone and tender fall greens with speck, while primi piatti choices will be trenete with Genovese pesto, tagliatelle with wild mushroom and Kurobuta pork ragout, pasta filled with roasted rabbit or risotto with winter squash and duck liver. Secondi piatti options will be grilled red snapper, slow-cooked beef short

ribs and cheeks, breaded veal chop stuffed with Fontina cheese or pan-roasted Wolfe Ranch quail with crayfish ragout.

Finally, dessert will be wild harvested chocolate custard with crushed amaretti and gelato or warm brown butter hazelnut cake with Barolo-poached pears and spiced zabaglione.

The prix fixe menus cost \$82 per person, excluding drinks and tip, and will be offered during open seating between 6 and 10 p.m. Call (831) 647-7490 for reservations. The Inn at Spanish Bay is located at 2700 17 Mile Drive in Pebble Beach. www.pebblebeach.com.

■ Unconventional Thanksgivings

Considering people’s ubiquitous food allergies and dietary demands — from gluten allergies, to eating only raw foods — Carmel Kitchens and Baths is hosting a series of

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cooking demonstrations by local chefs providing "A Fresh Spin on Thanksgiving."

On Saturday, Nov. 5, Patti Jayne will show how to use raw foods during one of the most celebrated meals of the year, including butternut squash pie and almond nog. Guests will be invited to taste her creations and take home recipes, and she will discuss the raw-food culinary genre in general, too.

The cost to attend is \$15, and Carmel Kitchen and Baths is located at 26386 Carmel Rancho Lane. To register, visit CKBtoday.com or call (831) 624-4667.

■ BSF&W auction temptations

The Big Sur Food & Wine festival kicked off Thursday with the Gateway to Big Sur reception at the Highlands Inn, but space remains for many of the events set to take place down the coast throughout the weekend, including wine tastings, winemakers' dinners and other culinary fun.

Organizer and president Toby Rowland-Jones wanted to highlight the live and silent auctions that will be held to raise funds for health, safety and education programs in Big Sur. Items on offer include lunch with Au Bon Climat winemaker Jim Clendenen with an overnight stay at Rancho La Cuna and two 3-liter bottles of ABC Hildegard and Isabelle, Brock Bradford's large photo of the coast, Ken Parker's piece depicting waves and coast, and "some truly amazing collections of wine that will be bargains for the wine collectors there." The Lifestyle Auction at Henry Miller Library Saturday, Nov. 5, from 3:45 to 5:45 p.m. will also feature extravagant outings, like a two-night stay in a private Big Sur home with dinner at local restaurants, a two-night stay at the St. Francis Hotel and dinner at the Oak Grill in San Francisco, and a condor release.

For tickets and information, visit www.bigsurfoodandwine.com.

■ Bernardus holidays

The holiday season is always fun at Bernardus Lodge in Carmel Valley, with pastry chef Ben Spungin's popular hands-on demos on chocolates and desserts, chef Cal Stamenov's phenomenal homage to truffles, and other special events. The season kicks off with Holiday Entertaining with Bernardus Style Saturday, Nov. 12, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Stamenov, Spungin, wine director Mark Buzan and local florist Susanna Gamble will help guests take advantage of the season's bounty — including winter squash, shelling beans, apples, pears and huckleberries — while getting in the holiday spirit. A gourmet family-style holiday meal, unusual cocktails and wine pairings will be served as Stamenov shares holiday recipes for pumpkin-apple soup, whole roasted herb chicken and black truffle stuffing. Gamble will discuss tips for quick and easy seasonal arrangements and centerpieces, and Buzan will provide insight on the wines that will best complement festive fare.

The cost to attend is \$85 per person, including tax and tip, and reservations may be made by calling (831) 658-3550. Bernardus is located at 415 Carmel Valley Road at Los Laureles Grade in Carmel Valley. www.bernardus.com

■ Library wine tasting

Galante will hold a tasting of library wines in its downtown Carmel tasting room on Dolores Street Friday, Nov. 11, from 6 to 8 p.m.

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Frideric Handel and two selections from Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker Suite" — "Russian Dance" and "Reed-Flutes."

The student-musicians come from public and private schools throughout Monterey County. They range in age from 7 to 16.

According to YMM program director Vanisha Evans Douvron, the concert will offer youngsters an excellent introduction to classic music. "It's a great way for kids to be inspired by music," she explained.

Saturday's concert starts at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$30 for reserved seats, \$15 for general admission, \$10 for seniors and \$5 for students. Tickets are available at the door, at Bookmark Music in Pacific Grove (307 Forest Ave.) or by phone at (831) 375-1992. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. For more information, visit www.youthmusicmonterey.org.

■ Soprano on farewell tour

Gifted mezzo-soprano Frederica von Stade — who plans to retire at the end of this season — performs Sunday, Nov. 6, at Sunset Center. The vocalist, who made her debut with the Metropolitan Opera in 1970, was a featured performer during the opening ceremonies of the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City.

In 1998, she was awarded France's highest honor in the arts when she was appointed as an officer of L'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres. Fifteen years earlier, President Ronald Reagan honored her in a White House ceremony.

Accompanied by pianist Kristin Pankonin, von Stade will sing 22 songs by her favorite composers at Sunset Center, including Maurice Ravel, Gustav Mahler, Aaron Copland and Stephen Sondheim.

Local actor and opera singer Reg Huston will offer a pre-concert talk about von Stade at 2 p.m.

The concert, which is presented by the nonprofit Carmel Music Society, starts at 3 p.m. Tickets range from \$40 to \$60. For more infor-

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By MARY SCHLEY

THE IDEA of flying to Paris for dinner at the George V would have to be considered just a fantasy for most people, but there's a similar experience right here in California that's actually doable: Hopping a charter jet to Santa Barbara for lunch at the Biltmore Four Seasons.

The crew at Shearwater Air, based at the Monterey Jet Center, flies all sorts of individuals and groups to any of 5,400 destinations in the United States, Canada and the Caribbean, from around-the-world trips, to upscale business lunches that entail a quick down-and-back the same day.

Named for the fleet-flying seabird that travels thousands of miles, the company's Bombardier Challenger 300 jet comfortably carries nine passengers.

Operations director David Hamilton has been on an array of exotic trips in 25 years of flying.

"I've been around the world many times. I flew over Mount Fuji and looked down at the Great Wall, and flew right over the top of the Kremlin," he said. "I've had a lot of fun."

His most recent circumnavigation of the globe began as a visit to Africa by Shearwater Air's owners. "They wanted to go to Africa, and then we ended up going around the world," he said. The trip included visits to the Seychelles, Phuket, Australia and Fiji.

Shearwater's chief pilot, Jeff Armbruster, is also an accomplished flyer and is the direct supervisor of flight operations, verifying all pilots meet their training requirements and qualifications. Before joining Shearwater in 2007, he flew for Knight Ridder and McClatchy, as well as for commercial airlines.

A trip on the well appointed jet (equipped with wifi) might include mimosas in crystal

glasses, fresh coffee in fine China, Godiva truffles and spears of fresh fruit, or a fully catered meal and a nice bottle of wine. It boasts comfortable seats that swivel and recline, tables that pull out from the walls and monitors that show the plane's progress.

The whole experience is a startling contrast to commercial air travel's long lines, cattle calls, drawn-out security measures, rules and demands. Shearwater customers avoid security altogether, walking straight from Monterey Jet Center's comfortable terminal to the waiting jet while someone loads their luggage from the trunks of their cars to the aircraft. As one recent traveler noted, there's pleasure just in the ability to cut it close by arriving at the airport a few minutes before takeoff.

A recent flight to Santa Barbara on a sunny day took a mere half an hour, with the jet cruising in the clear, still air between 19,000 and 23,000 feet.

The flight was so lovely and luxurious that no one really wanted it to end, and once on the ground, they tripped from the steps of the plane to the steps of a van waiting to drive them to lunch at one of the area's most beautiful spots: The historic Biltmore Four Seasons, located next to the water at the south end of the city near Montecito, with its airy Bella Vista restaurant reminiscent of the Mediterranean.

Executive chef Alessandro Cartumini creates and beautifully presents "organic, Italian-inspired California coastal cuisine," with a menu that changes with the seasons, although

some dishes, like the restaurant's signature seafood Cobb Salad with shrimp, crab, chicken, bacon, bleu cheese and ranch dressing, are so popular that they persist. And the wine list has strong local representation, considering Santa Barbara County is home to a number of highly regarded wineries.

The price of a Santa Barbara day trip is "probably \$4,500 round-trip," Hamilton said. For an overnight stay, the costs of feeding, housing and transporting the crew would be added.

While a private jet charter is typically more expensive than flying first class, Shearwater Air executives argue it "is more appealing when analyzing its costs against hidden costs of commercial travel," including the time saved by skipping lengthy waits and security processes at commercial airports. To learn more about Shearwater Air, call (831) 655-9990 or visit www.shearwaterair.com. For information about the Biltmore, check out www.fourseasons.com.



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After takeoff from Monterey Airport, Shearwater Air's jet banks over the Monterey Peninsula on its way to Santa Barbara.

FOOD

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Owner and winemaker Jack Galante plans to offer a wide selection of older vintages paired with cheese and hors d'oeuvres. The cost to attend is \$45 per person, and advance reservations are required. Special pricing on the older wines will also be offered that night. To reserve a spot, email conor@galantevineyards.com.

■ Mixer at Kurtz

Members of the Carmel Chamber of Commerce and their guests will mix it up at Kurtz Culinary, the spacious Ocean Avenue shop that carries more condiments, spices and other treats than one could hope for, on Wednesday, Nov. 16, from 5 to 7 p.m. The store offers a wide range of jams, tapenades, sauces, dressings, salts, honeys, oils and vinegars, and other necessities for the cook and kitchen.

The mixer costs \$10 for members and \$20 for nonmembers. The store is located on the south side of Ocean east of San Carlos Street. For more information, call (831) 624-2522.

■ WINO wine dinner

The Carmel chapter of Wine Investigation for Novices and Oenophiles will hold a winemaker's dinner at Pasadera Country Club Friday, Nov. 18, starring Manzoni Vineyards. Owner Mark Manzoni and winemaker David Coventry will be pouring and talking about their Santa Lucia Highlands Pinot Noir, Pinot Gris, Chardonnay and Syrah.

To complement them, Pasadera executive chef Peter Boysen created a four-course menu slated to include miso-marinated, pan-seared sablefish with julienned vegetables and pepper-rubbed roasted Angus filet with Dijon cream demi-glace and au gratin potatoes.

The event will start at 6:30 p.m. with sparkling wine and passed hors d'oeuvres. Attendees must be at least 21 years old, and attire is black-tie optional. Tickets are \$125 for WINO members and \$135 for nonmembers, and reservations are required by calling Dick Arentz at (831) 375-3935 or emailing carmelwino@comcast.net. Pasadera Country Club is located at Pasadera Drive and Highway 68 in Monterey.

FOCUS fundraiser

THE FRIENDS of Carmel Unified Schools — which for more than three decades has raised funds for supplies and programs in local public schools — will hold a fundraiser Saturday, Nov. 5, at Quail Lodge.

The event will begin at 5 p.m. with a reception and silent auction, followed by a gourmet three-course dinner, live auction and dance. Organizers are also holding a raffle for an iPad.

FOCUS has contributed funds for a host of uses, including technology, instructional materials, the Carmel Middle School habitat, the CHS performing arts center and athletic equipment. Tickets are \$75 per person and may be purchased by contacting Shirley Rosen at rosenk@prodigy.net.



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layered pigment, and geometric figures.

According to gallery owner Chris Winfield, Petersen's work emerged from a thriving community of artists centered around Sacramento.

"All these guys were teaching and working in the Sacramento area and nobody knew who the superstar would be," Winfield explained. "When you look at [Petersen's] work, it's his own, but there's also an influx of ideas others were using."

Petersen is now 85, but he's showing no signs of slowing down. "He's been around a long time, but he's very active," Winfield added. "He still approaches painting with a lot of gusto."

Winfield Gallery will host a reception for Petersen from 5 to 7 p.m. The gallery is located on Dolores between Seventh and Eighth. The exhibit will be on display until the end of the month. For more information, call (831) 624-3369 or visit www.winfieldgallery.com.

■ Big Sur painter takes a closer look at plants

The Marjorie Evans Gallery — which is located inside Sunset Center — hosts a reception Thursday, Nov. 10, from 5 to 7 p.m. for Big Sur painter Heidi Hybl, whose work will be displayed through the end of the month.

In her exhibit, "Plant Forms and Patterns," Hybl uses oils and collage to create abstracted images of plants, often juxtaposed with geometric patterns. The show offers an up-close look at the secret life of plants — from a local's perspective.

"Most people drive through here and see the landscape on a grand scale," Hybl explained. "But if you live here, you see that plants struggle to survive."

Hybl's paintings portray plants "as they reach for sunlight," "bend in the wind" and strive to adapt to the many changes around them.

The reception is scheduled to coincide with a performance at Sunset Center by the dance company, MOMIX, of its latest creation, "Botanica," which pays tribute to the plant kingdom.

Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. For more information, visit www.sunsetcenter.org.

■ 'The Last Picture Show' and more

Showcasing nudes and figurative work, painters Reed Farrington and Keith Lindberg team up to present "The Last Picture Show," an exhibit opening Saturday, Nov. 5, at the Carmel Art Association.

Also opening Saturday will be displays by painters Christine Crozier and Peggy Jelmini. Crozier's show focuses on figures in landscapes, while Jelmini's work — which includes abstracts — was inspired by the valleys and vineyards of Central California. Both artists use oils and paint in a loose, impressionistic style.

The gallery will host a reception at 6 p.m. The exhibits will be on display until the end of the month. The CAA is located on the west side of Dolores between Fifth and Sixth. For more information, call (831) 624-6176 or visit

www.carmelart.org.

■ Gallery celebrates birthday

Photographer and painter Robin Winfield will celebrate her gallery's second anniversary Saturday, Nov. 5, with an all-day reception.

"I absolutely love where I am," Winfield told The Pine Cone. "I'm hidden in an alley, but people have been able to find me."

The gallery — which features a mix of paintings, photographs, ceramics, jewelry and mixed media — is located behind the Carmel Coffee House, just off Ocean between San Carlos and Dolores. For more information, (831) 601-0725 or visit www.robinwinfield.com.

■ 'Carmel Six' open Saturday

A half-dozen local artists — all of who are members of the Carmel Art Association — will be featured in a show, "Carmel Six," opening Saturday, Nov. 5, at Nancy Dodds

Gallery.

Featured in the exhibit will be new work by Alicia Meheen, Richard Tette, Fred Carvell, Patty Biederman, Cornelia Emery, and Gerard Martin.

The gallery, which is located at San Carlos and Seventh, will host a reception from 6 to 9 p.m. The paintings will be on display until the end of the year. For more information, call (831) 624-0346 or visit www.nancydodds-gallery.com.

■ Prize-winning painter returns

New Masters Gallery will host a reception Saturday, Nov. 5, from 4 to 7 p.m. for painter Kevin Courter and his latest exhibit, "Infinite Beauty."

Courter, who lives in Mountain View, is one of the Carmel Art Festival's most successful entrants ever. He's a past recipient of the festival's Mayor's Choice, Artists' Choice, People's Choice and Best of Show awards.

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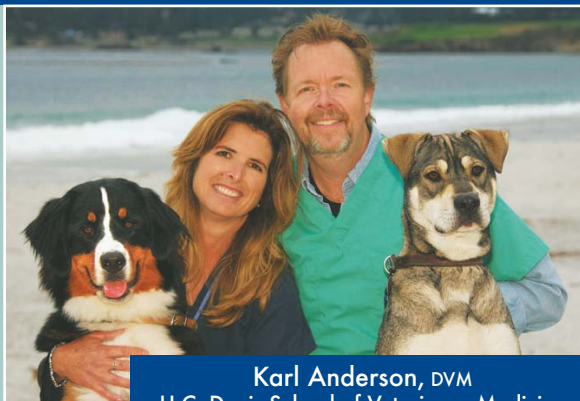
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Nov. 5 - Friends of the Carmel Valley Library hosts Elizabeth Barratt, author of *Images of America: Carmel Valley* and historian with the Carmel Valley Historical Society, sharing stories of how the holidays were celebrated at the Boronda Adobe. 10:15 a.m. Event is free. Refreshments served. (831) 659-2377.

Nov. 6 - All Saints' Episcopal Church, Ninth & Dolores, celebrates its centennial with a candlelit *Evensong For All Saints*, Sunday, Nov. 6, at 5:30 p.m. Music by Vierre and Faure will be featured. Presented the first Sunday of each month by the All Saints' choir directed by Dr. Todd Samra. Evensong is a traditional Anglican service embracing chant, anthems, hymns, prayer and meditation. A light supper follows the service. All are welcome. Call the church at (831) 624-3883 for more information.

Nov. 7 - Monday, Nov. 7, at 11 a.m. Carmel Woman's Club, our Annual "Sweet Seconds" featuring Vintage, Collectibles & Fine Items. Silent

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Nov. 10 - Local author Anna Vandembroucke will sign copies of her new novel, "Thirty-Seven Houses," Thursday, Nov. 10, 3-8 p.m., at Chateau Julien Wine Estate on Carmel Valley Road. The book tells how a young girl copes with her family's constant moves and, "with the guidance of an inner light persuades herself to keep moving forward, ultimately finding a way to navigate the long road home."

Nov. 11 - Chamber Music Monterey Bay to present the **Morgenstern Piano Trio**, 8 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 11, at the Sunset Center. (831) 625-2212, www.chambermusicmontereybay.org.

Nov. 12 - Artists' Holiday Gift Fair, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 12 (Nov. 13 if rain), 1150 Pico Ave, Pacific Grove. Shop for Distinctive Handmade Crafts: Jewelry, Original watercolors and drawings, Garden gifts, Woodworking, Photography, Pressed flower gifts and more! Hot Apple Cider & Baked Goods. Portion of Proceeds will be donated to AFRP (Animal Friends Rescue Project).

Nov. 12 - Auction of Photographic Art, Nov. 12, 5-7 pm, Carmel Woman's Club - Well-known regional and national artists. B&W and Color images. \$25 per person includes wine and hors d'oeuvres. View images at www.photography.org. (831) 625-5181. Benefit for Center for Photographic Art.

Nov. 12 - "How to Write a Book Fast!" Central Coast Writers presents Nina Amir, at Sunset Center Nov. 12. You'll leave with outlines, how-to info, promotion tips and ideas o'plenty. Nina is an author, journalist, and freelance book editor and maintains five blogs. Register at www.centralcoastwriters.org.

Nov. 12 & 13 - Baum & Blume's "Lighting of the Tannenbaum" is the perfect start to your holiday season! This year's theme: "City Glitter, Country Charm" brings together gifts for everyone from Urban Farmers to Fashionistas! Enjoy two days of hors d'oeuvres sampling, hosted beverage tastings, chef's demos, music, door prizes, crafts, flower demo, and more. Special guests: Monika Hudson and her rentable Christmas trees and Yanni from the Ginger People! Sat. and Sun., Nov. 12-13, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. 4 El Caminito Rd, Carmel Valley Village, Carmel.

CANDIDATES

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me to serve the second part of it as mayor or continue to serve on the council," Burnett said this week.

While city council incumbent Ken Talmage, who was appointed in December 2006 and elected to a full four-year term in 2008, said he plans to seek another term, Karen Sharp said she will not. Sharp was appointed to the council in August 2007 and also elected to a full term in April 2008.

"I just think it's time," she said, having served on the now disbanded design review board, the planning commission and the city council. While she's ending her political involvement when her term ends next April, she'll remain entrenched in the city she loves, particularly with efforts to draw visitors and serve them while they're here.

"So many exciting things happen here, and I love that about Carmel: it's interesting and exciting and fun," she said. "It's one of those cities that has so much charm and tradition, it changes while remaining the same, which is hard to do."

Sharp was a key proponent of the free MST trolley that runs through town during the tourist season and of keeping the lights on in the median from November through the spring. (They'll start twinkling Friday night, she said.)

"I did the quiet things," she said, as opposed to those that involved a lot of talking during meetings. Instead, she has been more of a listener — even to the constant critics who speak every month.

"That's one of the things I feel really strongly about: No matter who they are and what they say and how many times they've spoken in the past, I try to listen, because frequently they'll come up with something

that's a pearl," she said.

With her announcement, Tom Leverone, chairman of the forest and beach commission, announced his intention to run in her place.

"I knew for some time that Karen was rather undecided whether she wanted to run again, and that when she decided she would not, that would open up a vacancy," he said. "I never wanted to oppose anyone on the city council."

Leverone, who was born and raised in Minnesota, studied medicine at UCLA and had a practice in Southern California before retiring, bought his house in Carmel in 2005 and moved here full-time a couple of years ago. His wife, Elece Leverone, is vice chair of the Sunset Cultural Center board of directors.

He said many residents encouraged him to run because they thought he "would do a great job on the city council," and he agrees.

Leverone said he supports the preservation of the city's character, but that doesn't mean not making changes.

"We have a tough time coming up. We're not going to make everyone happy — people have to understand that," he said, adding that his objective would be to support "the best thing that causes the least harm to the least amount of people."

Also, Adam Moniz, who came within 111 votes of defeating mayor Sue McCloud in 2010, said he would run either for mayor or city council in April.

"In response to all of the community support and encouragement I have received over the past two years, I look forward to announcing a run for mayor or for city council in late December or early January," Moniz said. "I offer voters results and value. We need government to work efficiently, and we need to put city dollars to good use and provide a valuable return to our residents."

SCHOOL

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with the doors facing the courtyard in front of the Basilica, where tourists are only kept away from the school by a small rope barrier.

"It turned out to be something of a non-incident, but there was an intruder on the campus," he said.

The school conducts monthly "intruder drills," according to Hoy, so the

kids and teachers know how to behave if a stranger, even an aggressive one, makes it onto the campus, and he reported officials did everything they were supposed to do in this case.

"Overall, I think the school's security and the way they take care of their kids is very adequate," he said. "The incident was handled properly. The kids there are not in any danger."

But he also said teachers are frequently chasing people off Larson Field, mostly dog walkers, when it's time for the kids to play there. Although the Diocese allows youth baseball leagues to compete at Larson, he wanted to remind people the field is private property and not intended for regular use by the public.

"People assume it's public property, but it actually belongs the school," he said.

ESALEN

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ing the suitability of these trailers for longer-term housing," McEntee explained. "The availability of housing in the Big Sur area is extremely limited. However, we are continuing to explore all possibilities. My goal is to find stable, consistent housing for staff during the reconstruction period."

Meanwhile, Esalen is seeking a permit to demolish what's left of the burned units — and the nonprofit organization is also exploring the possibility of rebuilding them.

"We have begun the process of working with Monterey County to obtain a permit to demolish the burned upper level units at South Coast," McEntee added. "We are beginning to get quotes from several architectural firms and building contractors to determine the replacement value for insurance purposes. We expect demolition to take place in early to mid-November. How and when we will be able to rebuild South Coast Center is dependent on many variables, including determining the scope of the project, obtaining county and coastal permits, and determining our ability to finance any costs that exceed the insurance coverage."

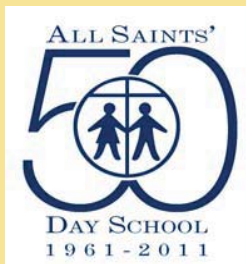
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SNAKE

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nous snake. "She couldn't even see where she was sticking her hand," Jensen said.

And then the father managed to do the same thing moments later.

The rattlesnake — which measured about a foot in length — was just a youngster.

The father and the daughter were hospitalized as a result of their bites but are feeling better. "All indications are that they are both doing well," park district general manager Jim Sulentic reported.

Like much of California, Garland Park has long been home to rattlesnakes. But incidents involving snakes and people are quite rare. "Nobody on our staff I've talked with has any knowledge of a person being bitten at Garland Park," Sulentic said.

Like most animals, rattlesnakes appear to have no interest in interacting with people.

"They're only interested in something to eat, and we're way too big for them," he explained.

If you encounter a rattlesnake on a trail, it's best to avoid a confrontation.

"Give it a wide berth," he suggested. "Any snake deserves a lot of respect. You don't want to take a chance."

And whatever you do, avoid poking around in rocky outcroppings. "A herpetologist will tell you never to stick your hand somewhere you can't see," he said.

Dogs are particularly vulnerable to snake bites because they don't understand the danger of rattlesnakes and tend to be curious, so Sulentic encouraged dog owners to be careful when bringing their pets along on a hike.

Sulentic also encouraged people to not hike alone, and to carry a cell phone in case of an accident or mishap. "If you are ever in a situation where you're injured, don't hesitate to call 911," he added.

While park officials see little reason to

sound an alarm over rattlesnakes, they are concerned about a more recent arrival to Carmel Valley: Sudden Oak Death. The museum at Garland Park is hosting two events about the subject this weekend.

Matteo Garbelotto, a professor of pathology and mycology at UC Berkeley, will talk

Friday, Nov. 4, at 5 p.m. about the results of a Sudden Oak Death survey that was conducted earlier this year. The following day at 10 a.m., Garbelotto will lead a free workshop that will show the public how to identify Sudden Oak Death and how to help keep it from spreading. Both events are free.

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Editorial

Workers' rights

IN 2002, the Walt Disney Company, which owns ABC, committed a grave sin, according to pundits, by considering canceling "Nightline" and replacing it with a late-night show hosted by David Letterman. The comedian eventually decided to stay at CBS, leaving "Nightline" intact, but the very idea of replacing Ted Koppel with Letterman struck many commentators as a preposterous and disloyal insult — not only because of the show's reputation as what the Washington Post called a "pinnacle of journalism," but because of Koppel's many years of service to his network.

Indeed, the move to cancel his program was "the most provocative corporate move against a senior broadcast news figure in memory," said the New York Times.

The underlying belief was that Disney owed Koppel continued employment in a prestigious, high-profile job simply because he had done it well for so long.

But hold on a second. Employment is a two-way street. Sure, Koppel was a top-notch correspondent and anchor for ABC News, but he was also very well paid. In the years before the rumored programming switch, he only anchored three days a week, but his salary was \$8 million per and came with an assortment of generous benefits.

The network wasn't forced to pay him so much, of course, and by agreeing to do so was stipulating that Koppel was worth it. But the same thing obviously was also true of Koppel: By signing a contract and accepting a level of compensation for his services, he was agreeing that his pay adequately and fully compensated him for them. Therefore, at the end of each work day, neither he nor ABC was in debt to the other. They were even-Steven.

Despite the obviousness of this logic, many people apparently believe that an employer doesn't satisfy his obligations to his employees when he pays them and gives them benefits in exchange for their work. They believe, in effect, that if you've been in your job long enough, your boss has no business firing you, and that employees should be judged not on how well they do their jobs, but according to how much seniority they have — a system that, while it sounds fair to some, actually hurts the performance of the place of employment where the seniority system is used, whether it's a private business, a nonprofit or a government agency. Just look at Congress. And the public schools.

We make this point because it's useful in understanding the conflict between La Playa's owners and its workers. While it's a shame that so many jobs have been lost, there is no such thing as a right to your job, just as no business has a right to its employees. Despite all the advocacy at the city council this week, the government should not try to force the new owners of La Playa to rehire the workers once the hotel reopens any more than it should try to require the employees to work there.

But that doesn't mean the workers deserve to be left out in the cold. Most of La Playa's employees were obviously good at what they did and were valued by the hotel's owners, management and customers. They should get their jobs back. And any employer with good business sense, not to mention common decency, will recognize this.

BEST of BATES



"I heard they made so much off their Carmel house they can afford to live in Seaside."

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No out-of-town vendors, please
Dear Editor,

We had a potentially great Carmel Art and Film Festival the weekend of Oct. 13 - 16. Various events were planned and executed rather well and, overall, both visitors and locals had a great time. The volunteer staff members performed their duties very well and were most helpful.

However, we were astounded at the Art in the Park exhibit. Allowing artists from outside the city to compete against fine art galleries in Carmel is damaging to every gallery owner who is left in town (and counter to any elemental logic).

How does the city expect us to keep our doors open if it fail to support our efforts? We support the City of Carmel, pay our taxes, support the chamber of commerce, advertise locally and frequent local restau-

rants and other businesses. We also support other galleries.

Isn't the city's stated purpose to bring quality art back to Carmel, especially in light of the economic downturn?

Whenever there is a licensed event, please do not allow any out-of-town vendors to hawk their art. This only takes away from Carmel and does not add anything but a carnival or flea market-like atmosphere. Licensing a venue to compete against your own merchants belies the city's interest in the welfare and future of our village. Why not offer the park to licensed merchants instead as a condition for a permit?

David Garber and Decie Zajac, Galerie Julianne; Brian Westbrook, Westbrook Modern Gallery; Michael and Marla Blazina, Gallery Diamonte; Chris Winfield, Winfield Gallery; Jim Miller, Jim Miller Gallery; Rodger Budney, Rodger Budney Fine Art

Making the right choices
Dear Editor,

Small towns like ours have their own peculiarities and challenges. In local elections it often comes down to personalities versus qualifications. School board elections are prime examples of this. Rather than popularity contests, school boards should be for people with the expertise and track records to contribute to the steady improvement of our schools.

Better schools make better communities. They help our students navigate out of our

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secure small town into a highly competitive global job market. Of our current candidates, Richard Kreitman has the most of what it takes to contribute to the difficult choices coming in the next few years for the Carmel Unified School District, and he has the judgment to make decisions that go beyond expediency.

From his Eagle Scout achievement, to 40 years as a financial professional, to his personal financial advisor status, Richard has taken seriously what he does. He has applied this background to his work as a volunteer in the classroom, his tireless attendance at board meetings, and his quiet work with school officials in leading the parents' effort to get our schools to top academic standing in the state. These are very real contributions.

Richard's oldest son graduated from Carmel High School last year, as did one of my sons, and his youngest is in eighth grade at Carmel Middle School with another of my boys. His wife, Barbara, runs a gallery in Carmel. I know Richard will take as good care of all the students as he has his own. I know he will help steer the district into a position of high standing, he will continue to help students with learning difficulties and with financial needs, and he will deal with the politics that go with the position with humor and integrity.

Gordon Freedman, Co-Founder of the International School of Monterey

Byrne for water board

Dear Editor,

I have been walking neighborhoods with Jeanne Byrne and am surprised at how many people do not fully understand the rationing consequences if we do not have a long-term sustainable water project by the end to 2016. It is not scare tactics to make people aware of the 60 percent cutback of the Carmel River pumping mandated by the State Water Resources Control Board and the related rationing of 35 gallons of water per person per day unless there is a new water project.

All of us who were here for the previous rationing of 50 gallons per person know that the rationing proposed in 2016 will definitely eliminate jobs, drastically affect families and cause the loss of businesses.

As mayor, Jeanne Byrne was effective in negotiating Peninsula solutions such as including Pacific Grove and Carmel on the Fort Ord Reuse Authority Board, giving preference on FORA contracts to the tri-county area for economic recovery and creating a Peninsula Mayor's monthly meeting to resolve specific Peninsula issues. She will bring the same collaborative problem-solving to the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District to move a long-term water solution forward to provide for the future of the Peninsula.

Kathy Anderson, Pacific Grove

VWA responds to 'misinformation'

Dear Editor,

This letter is to correct misinformation in your Oct. 21 article, "Dispute over brush clearance delays fire warden appointment." In that article it was stated that I "stood before the supervisors and shredded the plan," in reference to the Community Wildfire Protection Plan. This statement is not true.

What I did, when I spoke before the supervisors in December 2010, was to tear Appendix J from the plan and encourage the supervisors to adopt the plan without Appendix J. And that is precisely what they did.

After weeks of negotiations between various public land conservation organizations and the plan authors, compromises were reached that were acceptable to the conservation community. However, just days before the compromise plan was to go to supervisors for adoption, it was learned that Appendix J had been added to the plan and which included all of the ill-conceived notions that had been compromised out of the plan. Appendix J also contained wording that would have confused what the supervisors would be adopting. The supervisors, recognizing the double-bind, wisely and specifically excluded Appendix J from their Resolution of Adoption.

Another inaccuracy in the Pine Cone article is the reference to VWA opposition to "large-scale brush removal and fire breaks on public land." Our opposition has always been specific to bulldozed bare-earth fire breaks in protected Wilderness Areas, not on all "public land." We do not oppose properly designed and located fuel breaks in protected Wilderness built and maintained in accordance with wilderness values.

For the record, I would also like to point out that the Ventana Wilderness Alliance has always supported private property owners' unfettered creation of defensible space on their properties to reduce the wildland fire threat to life and property. And further, the VWA has never opposed appointment of a county fire warden.

Tom Hopkins, President, Ventana Wilderness Alliance

'Minor' violation?

Dear Editor,

Tell me, what is a minor violation of a persons civil rights? To convict someone of a crime based on completely wrong jury instructions is hardly a minor violation. No matter who someone is, no matter what they have been accused of, they deserve the same fairness that you and I do. No exceptions. This is essentially what the appeals court said about the reckless conduct of Judge Russell Scott in Carl Bergstrom's case.

Greg Weatherby, Idaho Falls, Idaho

Editor's note: This letter responds to the summary of news sent to email edition subscribers Oct. 27.

CSEA members support Steck

Dear Editor,

In the 18 years we have known Annette Yee Steck, we have known her to be kind, thoughtful, considerate, helpful, dedicated, open-minded, always approachable and a truly genuine person. The fact that she has given that many years of her life, while also being a wife, mother and business owner, speaks to her passion for CUSD students and employees. She has been the board's representative on the negotiations team for CUSD's Classified unit for many years, and her experience and knowledge of school district's have been invaluable to us. Annette not only serves on the board of education, but many other committees, while attending multiple functions at all the school sites every year. She has also personally funded scholarships for CUSD students.

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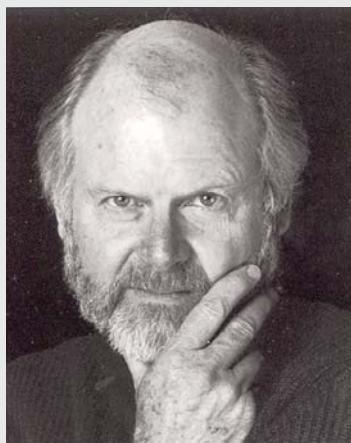
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Noted Local Photographer Dies

Roderick Arthur Dresser, Sr. passed away October 25, 2011, in Carmel with his wife and family at his side. Born in Watsonville in 1933 to Arthur and Rosabelle Dresser, Rod attended Carmel High School, and then went on to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, where he was graduated in 1956 with a degree in pyrotechnical engineering. He served in the Navy on destroyers and nuclear submarines for many years, and then in the Navy reserves, where he eventually became Commander of the Reserve unit in Monterey.



After resigning from the Service, he ran the family construction business for many years, until deciding to pursue his greatest interest, photography, as a full-time career. In 1981 he developed a friendship with Ansel Adams, and eventually became the noted photographer's assistant in the studio and the darkroom. He continued to work for the Ansel Adams Trust as the business manager until pursuing his own work teaching workshops and lecturing throughout the United States. In 2002 he published a monogram, Artists' Choice. Though his subject matter was initially often landscapes, his work became more abstract, as he was driven by an affinity for both simplicity and texture. His photographs are represented in major collections and museums around the world.

Rod leaves behind Margaret (Maggi) Weston, his wife of ten years, his stepson, Matthew (Matt) Weston (Davika Weston), and their son, Ryder; his two children, Kathleen (Kathy) Whitehead (Robert Whitehead), and Roderick (Rick) Dresser Jr. (Ruth Herrera Dresser); their mother and his former wife, Dolores (Dee) Dresser; and his four grandchildren, Griffin, Allison, Rosie, and Ryan. A sister, Constance, predeceased him.

A celebration of life will be held at a date yet to be determined. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorial contributions be sent to the US Naval Academy Alumni Association.

Travis Dillon Hoag

September 5, 1989 – October 23, 2011

CARMEL – Travis was born to Rene and Brian Hoag at Community Hospital and he lived in Carmel and Carmel Valley most of his life. He attended Foothill Elementary,



finishing his early education at Carmel Middle School and graduated from Carmel High School in 2008. Travis played JV football for the Padres and never forgot his undefeated year with his team. Another highlight of his years as a Padre was being honored by his peers as the Homecoming King. For all of those who voted for him, you were so right. Travis spent five years in the Monterey Parks and Recreation Junior Lifeguard program. His love of the ocean and the desire to help others truly came alive with the encouragement of his leaders. Travis was twice honored with the distinction of being most helpful Jr. guard and followed with the most likely to be a real lifeguard during his last year as a Jr. guard. Following high school, he attended Monterey Peninsula

College becoming an EMT and completing the acclaimed Monterey Peninsula Fire Academy.

Travis took great pride in his work. He worked at Tarp's Restaurant while he was at MPC. It was not just a workplace, but his extended family. His gift to those who knew him well, and even those just lucky enough to be served by him, left no one in his presence without feeling valued and even loved.

His goal in life was to help people and befriend them. There were no strangers to him, just people to love, rescue and take care of, it was his true calling.

With his quick, shy smile, Travis was an exceptional young man who embodied the rarest of qualities, an inborn warmth toward others and unshakable loyalty to those he cared for. He will be profoundly missed by his loving family and his many friends.

He is survived by his mother, Rene Jackson, and her husband, Robert Fagan and preceded in death by his beloved father, Brian Hoag. His large family consists of four grandmothers, two grandfathers, six uncles, five aunts and 10 cousins.

The funeral for Travis will be held on Saturday, November 5, 2011 at the Calvary Chapel in Monterey. Location is 3001 Monterey Salinas Highway, Monterey, CA. The time of his service will be 10:00 a.m. to be followed by a gathering of friends and family at Tarp's Restaurant, 2999 Monterey Salinas Highway from 12:00 to 2:30 p.m.

Tennis team wraps up great season

By CHRIS COUNTS

FOR THE first time in nearly two decades, the girls tennis team at Carmel High School has a share of the Mission Trail Athletic League title.

Thursday, the Padres were preparing to take on Aptos High School in a non-league match to conclude their regular season.

Two days earlier, the girls were defeated by rival Stevenson School 4-3 in their final league match of the year. The loss dropped Carmel High into a three-way tie with Stevenson and Santa Catalina schools for first place in the highly competitive MTAL.

"This is the first time we've had a piece of the league title since 1993," said Mike

Zury, who has coached the team for 11 years. "It's been a great year."

Against Stevenson, the Padres were paced by **Megan Scannell**, who won a hard-fought match against **Emily Termotto**, 6-4, 4-6, 6-4. Scannell is the team's No. 2 singles player. Carmel High's top singles player, **Kaylan Griffin**, lost her match to Anna Romeka, 5-7, 2-6. Zury called Romeka "one of the top 10 players in Northern California."

Also winning matches Nov. 1 were CHS hoops star **Sarah Anderson** — who defeated her singles opponent 6-1, 6-4 — and the doubles team of **Lindsay McMillan** and **Gabrielle Garza**, who downed their opponents 6-4, 6-1.

A week earlier, Griffin clinched her sec-

ond straight MTAL singles title, while Scannell and Ursi Eisinger took home the doubles crown.

Zury is hopeful the Padres will have a berth in next week's Central Coast Section championships, with berths announced by Monday, Nov. 7. The playoff schedule will be posted on Carmel High School's website

(www.carmelunified.org/chs).

The tennis team finished its regular season with an 8-2 mark in league play and an 18-2 record overall. Remarkably, most of the team's best players are returning next year. Scannell and Eisinger, in fact, will only be sophomores next year. "We're looking very good for the next couple years," Zury added.

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FORUM

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was offered, and it was difficult to dedicate classroom space and resources to such a small number at a school where enrollment had increased by 100.

Candidates also weighed in on proper behavior of board members, administrators and teachers, and whether the board should have zero tolerance of "any illegal behavior they might commit" — a question clearly inspired by the DUI arrest of superintendent Marvin Biasotti in May 2009.

Kreitman said everyone should of course uphold the highest standards but pointed out students receive second chances, so it was

fair to give Biasotti a second chance, too. His stance would be "zero tolerance and some compassion."

But Patel and Peitso said they would not tolerate any illegal behavior among adults in administration or at the schools, and Steck acknowledged the behavior of public officials is always under scrutiny, though she said she was "personally disappointed" by some of the reporting about such matters in local newspapers.

Pallastrini observed that Biasotti had used his experience as a way of teaching the kids about the perils of such decisions, but said it made his job more difficult as principal, "because the students didn't get it [because] we had suspended them for similar types of things."

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Kathleen J. Berry, born April 13, 1922, in Chicago, was raised in New York City. She graduated from Columbia University.

During World War II, she served in the prestigious women's engineering management program of Grumman Aircraft and then in the American Red Cross in Bari, Italy, and Berlin.

In 1952, Kay married Robert Grasing Jr.; they later separated. They moved to Salem in the early 1960s, and she received a master's degree from the University of Washington in 1965.

Kay was an executive and administrator for the Oregon State Library for 18 years, retiring as Deputy Oregon State Librarian in 1984. She moved to Portland in 1987.

Kay is survived by her husband; sons, Ken and Kurt; and grandson, Aaron. Her family suggests remembrances to any local theater.

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HEARST

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and international powerbroker, died on Aug. 14, 1951.

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 Case No. M114775.

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A. Present name: BRECNY JUDITH TREJO
Proposed name: BRITTANY JUDITH TREJO

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:
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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) Lydia M. Villarreal
 Judge of the Superior Court
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ABUSE

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million three-bedroom house in Los Angeles, a \$280,000 house in Marina and Lawrence Loftus' \$4 million home on Scenic Road. Harper lists all three houses as his "primary residence" — and all three have mortgages exceeding their present value.

Harper also reports owning a 1996 Lincoln Town Car valued at \$950, a 1986 Pontiac Fiero valued at \$500, \$2,500 in household goods at his Marina home and \$500 in clothing. At the time of the filing, Harper reported having \$300 in a Wells Fargo Bank account. His total assets, Harper claims, are about \$7 million. But his debts are more than \$10 million.

Apart from owing Loftus \$1 million, Harper said he owes nearly \$150,000 in loans, including \$100,000 to Rich Cook in Los Angeles, \$30,000 to Nitin Patel of Monterey and \$10,000 to Maggie Grimm, whose address is not listed.

Harper, in a return phone message to The Pine Cone seeking comment, refused to discuss the case. "Tell the nosy people who buy your paper," Harper said Oct. 27, "I do not discuss my private, personal or business life with anyone."

Loftus had alleged in his lawsuit that Harper took over his estate by putting everything, including his Scenic Road home, in his name. That, he said, allowed Harper to take out a \$2.7 million loan against Loftus' Scenic Road home and withdraw about \$950,000 from his Bank of America account.

But because Harper was in control of Loftus' mortgage but wasn't paying the bills, the Carmel home went into foreclosure, Hesper said.

Harper went so far as to register himself and Loftus as domestic partners and started using the name "Dr. Charles Loftus" even though the two men had a strictly platonic relationship, the lawsuit alleges.

"That's just part and parcel of his ongoing scheme to

defraud Dr. Lawrence Loftus," according to Hesper.

On Aug. 12, Harper agreed to settle the lawsuit, and Monterey County Superior Court Judge Kay Kingsley approved the terms of the agreement, which required Harper to pay the money he owed Loftus within 60 days. But Harper hasn't paid Loftus anything, Hesper said.

Loftus, who is 5 foot 2 inches and weighs just 110 pounds, also alleged the 6-foot-1-inch Harper intimidated and physi-

cally and emotionally abused him. Harper threatened to hit Loftus and said he "would dump his wife's ashes into the ocean, kill [Loftus'] dog and stuff him into his wife's urn." The allegations led a judge to issue a restraining order against Harper.

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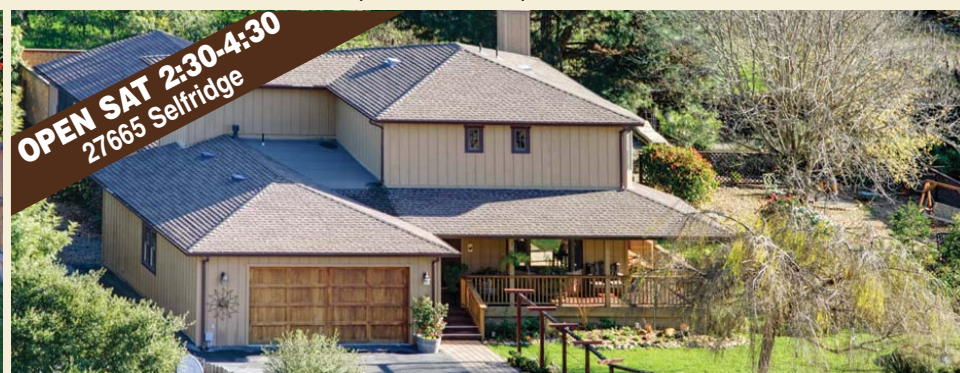
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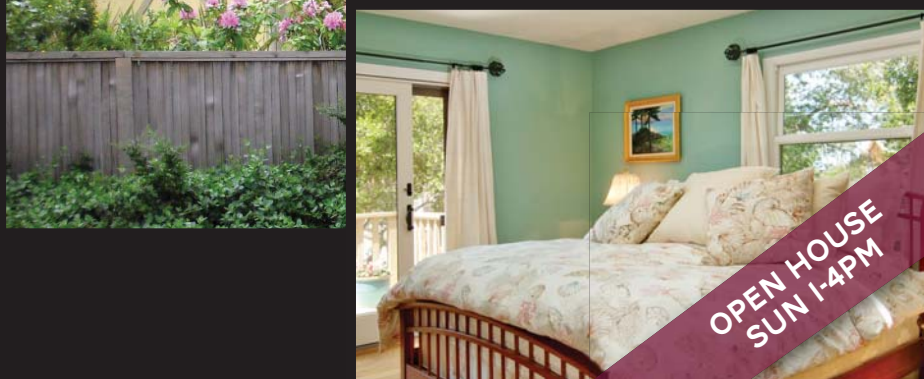
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POLICE LOG

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sign, and the 40-year-old male driver was found to be intoxicated. The driver submitted to FSTs and was arrested for DUI. The out-of-state driver was released on bond, and his vehicle was towed/stored.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A city employee found a loose dog on Junipero Street and stood by until the animal control officer's arrival. The dog was shy and frightened when secured on a leash. The owner was contacted via the ID on the collar. The dog escaped out of the owner's vehicle. The dog was returned to the owner in the field with a warning.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Management from a hotel on Ocean Avenue called to report a subject in one of the rooms. The subject had entered an unlocked door to a room and was drinking liquor. The subject soon left the premises. An area check was made — unable to locate.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Junipero Serra School officials called in response to suspicious subject who walked onto school grounds and spoke to a teacher. The subject appeared to be under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs. An area check was made — unable to locate. The River School authorities were also notified of the situation and to be on the lookout for the subject and possible associated vehicle described as a white, full size pickup with a tool box in the rear cargo area. Nothing further.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Driver, a 48-year-old female, was stopped on Third Avenue for running two stop signs and was subsequently arrested for DUI. She gave a breath test and was later released after posting bail.

Pacific Grove: Woman called to report that an elderly male from her church had been harassing her, showing up at her house, calling and emailing her. She elected not to press charges, but wanted the officer to contact the male and tell him to stop.

Carmel area: Report of bright lights disturbing a subject. The person responsible turned off the lights and agreed to use less bright bulbs.

Pacific Grove: Individual requested a close patrol of his parked vehicle. He suspected that his neighbor was vandalizing the vehicle. Information relayed to officers.

Pacific Grove: Individual reported receiving a bogus postal money order after replying to a job posting for a "mystery shopper" on Craigslist. She was advised to be cautious when applying for a position on Craigslist.

Carmel area: Verbal domestic between husband and wife over money issues.

Carmel Valley: Carmel Valley Road resident reported his guests refused to leave his property.

Carmel area: A female student was found in possession of a stolen iPhone at Carmel High School.

Carmel Valley: Social services cross-reported information regarding a Grey Goose Gulch Road resident.

Carmel Valley: Man reported that a friend requested he contact the sheriff's office regarding suspicious activity that was occurring at a residence belonging to a mutual friend that passed away.

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: A business owner at

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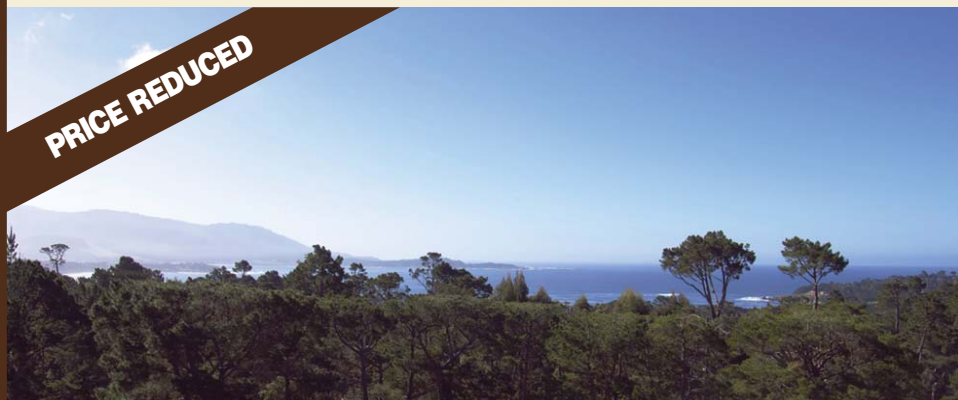
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Steven and Stephanie Sicke to Frederick and Susan Taylor
APN: 010-153-014

26264 Valley View Avenue — \$1,000,000
Fred and Cecilia Fozounmayeh to Douglas Mack
APN: 009-404-007

Lincoln Street, NW corner of 12th — \$1,583,000
Perry and Kristie Walker to Theodore and Louise Gould
APN: 010-183-013

Carmel Valley

175 Hacienda Carmel — \$165,000
Norma Tolbert to Jeanne Woolridge
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3353 17 Mile Drive, Pebble Beach — \$4,575,000

208 Hacienda Carmel — \$275,000
Wilson Properties Partnership and James and Pamela Holman
APN: 015-347-002

125 White Oaks Lane — \$465,000
Michael Jones to Hugh Pease

APN: 189-291-021

164 El Echo — \$500,000
John and Joan Zielinski to Peter Fonken and Cristin DeVine
APN: 189-441-002

181 Del Mesa Carmel — \$550,000
Marjorie Peters and Michael Welsh to Gregory and Susan Franks and Brian and Jennifer Maxwell
APN: 015-513-001

25230 Pine Hills Drive — \$790,000
Amin Alousi to Avner Cohen and Karen Gold
APN: 015-031-053

Highway 68

25565 Paseo de Cumbre — \$975,000
Michael and Karen Kamm to Deborah Brewer
APN: 416-132-007

Monterey

653 Larkin Street — \$275,000
Marie Randazzo to Michael Bell
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1085 Johnson Street — \$440,000
Erik Landry to William Little
APN: 001-334-016

2141 San Vito Circle — \$500,000
Curtis and Kathryn Blais to Jon Hitchcock and Brenna Gardner
APN: 013-281-022

46 El Caminito del Norte — \$1,100,000
John and Margaret Lotz to Robert and Marlena Slade
APN: 001-321-025/027

Pacific Grove

1042 Benito Avenue — \$200,000
US Bank to Barbara Dunton
APN: 007-592-047

142 Monterey Avenue — \$417,500
Joseph, Frank, Antonio, Anthony and Bernadette Souza to Trevor and Kayleen McDonald
APN: 006-195-004

1310 Lincoln Avenue — \$500,000
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 APN: 006-092-004

Pebble Beach

3353 17 Mile Drive — \$4,575,000
 John Hamm to D.A.D. Pebble Beach LLC
 APN: 008-361-002

Seaside

1821 Flores Street — \$205,000
 Federal National Mortgage Association to
 Emmanuelle Roussel
 APN: 012-791-001

1776 Baker Street — \$209,000
 Marilyn Thiel to Anatalio Moises
 APN: 012-813-004

1372 Judson Street — \$210,000
 Federal National Mortgage Association to John Merino
 APN: 012-285-022

1652 Soto Street — \$210,000
 Isaias Silva and Alma De Ruiz to
 Omer Mohamedali and Rasha Ibrahim
 APN: 012-654-020

1760 Military Avenue — \$247,000
 Jerald DeVictoria to David Ducoeur
 APN: 011-473-003

1875 Andrew Court — \$250,000
 Shirley Mitchell and Ray Marzoni to Janice Aliotti
 APN: 011-482-024

1165 Luxton Street — \$278,000
 Sabadell United Bank to Keith and Megan Jones
 APN: 012-401-060

600 Lopez Avenue — \$335,000
 George Dominguez to Lisa Ward
 APN: 011-357-001

Foreclosure sales

Seaside

1319 Lowell Street — \$215,100
(unpaid debt \$407,101)
 California Reconveyance Co. to Ole Pedersen
 APN: 012-282-025



26264 Valley View Avenue, Carmel — \$1,000,000

15 Stowe Court — \$233,100 (debt \$85,861)
 California Reconveyance Co. to Ouita Martin and Thomas Johns
 APN: 012-622-028

928 Wanda Avenue — \$282,000 (debt \$819,865)
 Reconstruct Co. to Bank of New York
 APN: 012-361-009

Compiled from official county records.

POLICE

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Seventh and Dolores reported an unknown subject pulled a ceramic pot off an exterior wall which caused damage to the pot.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A woman on Dolores Street reported damage to a pot in front of her business.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: On ongoing dispute between families has continued to manifest through a series of annoying voice messages and acts. Incidents being documented at request of involved to validate the acts for court purposes.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Possible phone scam. Report pending.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A female driver, age 64, was stopped on Highway 1 for DUI investigation and subsequently arrested for DUI. She provided a breath test and was later released on a citation to her husband.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of an unlicensed driver on Junipero Street.

Pacific Grove: An officer was dispatched to the home of an elderly woman on an animal welfare call. The resident had been transported to CHOMP for medical reasons, and was unable to make arrangements for her dog. The dog was released to a caretaker for the duration of the hospital stay.

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LOG

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Pacific Grove: Officer dispatched to a past-tense theft of a pogo stick. Reporting party advised that her son's pogo stick had been taken from their residence. The toy was a birthday gift.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A man reported that someone broke the windshield to his vehicle with an unknown object.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of vandalism involving the defacing of city property at Del Mar.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Driver stopped on San Carlos Street for expired registration, and the officer detected an odor of marijuana. A search of the vehicle revealed a small amount of marijuana. Driver was cited at the scene and released.

Pacific Grove: Officer observed a vehicle pull into turnout after midnight. After contacting the driver, the officer noticed a strong odor of alcohol. The driver refused a field sobriety test, stating that he was "drunk." The driver was then arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol while on probation for a prior conviction of the same.

Pacific Grove: Individual reported that the light bulbs of her residence were taken out and smashed.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A subject turned a firearm in for safekeeping per restraining order conditions.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male driver, age 49, was stopped on

13th Avenue for wrong-way driving and was subsequently arrested for DUI. He submitted to a breath test and was released to a sober person after posting bail.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a lost Skilsaw.

Pacific Grove: Suspect arrested for driving under the influence.

Pacific Grove: Woman reported that her vehicle was ransacked and her spare key taken. There was no forced entry.

Pebble Beach: Man reported that unknown persons entered his vacant rental property on Stevenson Drive and used it as a party house. The trespassers left numerous beer cans and garbage inside the garage. No suspects.

Carmel Valley: Woman reported unknown persons had entered her rental property without her permission. No property was taken or damaged.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Bracelet found in Devendorf Park was turned in to CPD for safekeeping.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fall on city property on Monte Verde Street.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a cat bite on Mission Street.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Verbal dispute at Del Mar.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A hit-and-run accident on Monte Verde Street at 2354 hours was observed by a citizen. The 46-year-old female driver was identified and arrested on Torres Street for DUI and hit-and-run.

Pacific Grove: Individual reported that he found a black trash bag with "something dead" inside. The remains were recovered and determined to be those of a small deer. The incident was reported to animal control.

Pacific Grove: Two purses and a backpack were reported as stolen from a parked vehicle. No suspects.

Pebble Beach: At approximately 2051 hours, the male suspect was found in possession of an alcoholic beverage.

Carmel Valley: An unknown subject entered the victim's unlocked vehicle on Carmel Valley Road, stole several items and used the victim's access card at local businesses.

Carmel Valley: Tenant and landlord at East Carmel Valley Road and Esquiline Road were having a verbal disagreement with each other.

Carmel Valley: Victim's vehicle was broken into at Garland Park.

Carmel Valley: Man on Via la Paloma was taken into custody after not paying his cab fare. Suspect is currently on misdemeanor probation and is to obey all laws.

Carmel Valley: A woman reported her wallet was missing and her credit card had been used.

Carmel Valley: Responded to report of a disturbance regarding child custody.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a lost purse and contents on Guadalupe Street.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Reports of two separate accidents on Junipero Street, one causing injury.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Identification case with ID and credit cards found on Carmel Beach and turned over to CPD for safekeeping.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Contacted a juvenile subject at a household at the request of a parent, and the subject was fine.

Pebble Beach: Man reported his unlocked vehicle was entered between 2030 hours on Oct. 22 and 0915 hours on Oct. 23. Taken were a set of golf clubs and a video camera. Camera was recovered.

Carmel area: Victim reported her husband's unlocked truck was entered. Glove box contents ransacked. Taken was an asthma inhaler.

Carmel area: Woman reported her husband's unlocked vehicle was entered. The lock on the center console was broken. Contents ransacked. Nothing taken.

Carmel area: Man reported his wallet and contents were taken from his unlocked vehicle. This occurred between 2130 hours on Oct. 23 and 0730 hours on Oct. 24. No suspects.

Carmel area: Man reported his unlocked vehicle was entered. Taken was a GPS. No suspects.

Carmel area: Victims reported two of their unlocked vehicles were entered. Taken were \$35 cash and an iPod.

Carmel area: Man reported his unlocked vehicle was entered. Contents of glove box ransacked. Nothing taken.

Carmel Valley: Suspect violated his court probation by drinking alcoholic beverages. Suspect continuously gets drunk while at his Via Paloma residence, and in the presence of his young children.

Carmel area: During a vehicle check at the Crossroads, male driver provided false identification and was found to be in possession of controlled substances paraphernalia and stolen property. This was in violation of his probation. He was arrested and booked into the Monterey County Jail.

Beach: Deputies responded to a structure fire on Sunridge Road with minimal property damage.

Pebble Beach: Man reported that his son was acting strange and wanted a welfare check done. The subject was evaluated and released back to his parents.



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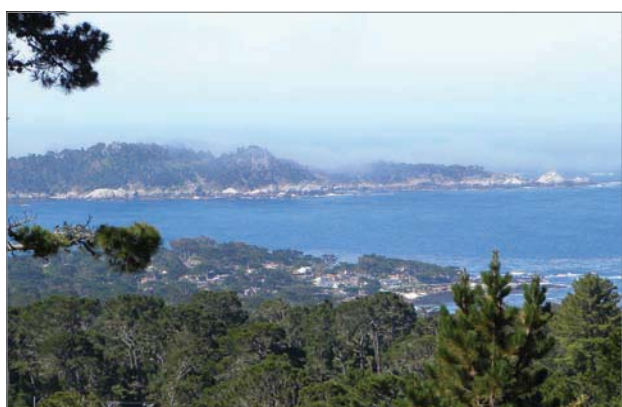
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Spacious Victorian 3BR/2BA beach house located a block to hiking/biking trail at Lover's Point. Ground floor master suite. \$995,000

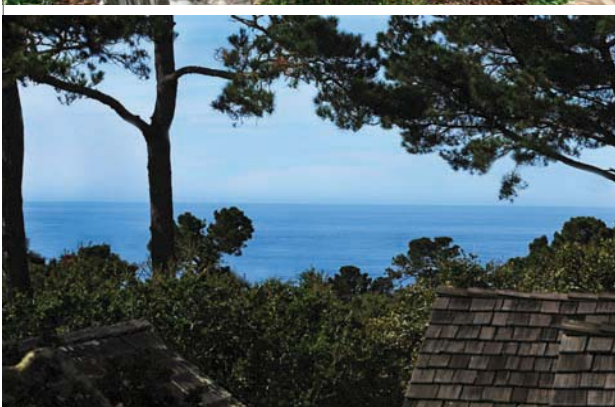
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OPEN SUNDAY 3:30-4:30

3351 Camino Del Monte, Carmel
Beautiful ocean views with an open layout offers 3BR/2BA, 2 car garage, and multiple patios. \$925,000

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OPEN SATURDAY 1-4

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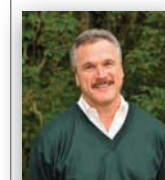


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edward.hoyt@sothebyshomes.com*



OPEN SUNDAY 1-4

807 Tesoro Court, Pasadera
Remarkable views from this spacious Tuscan estate. Exquisite finishes and custom details: 4 bedrooms, all en-suite, private office, library with fireplace, chef's kitchen with custom cabinetry and a lower level private tasting room w/wine cellar. The luxurious master bath features an extensive custom armoire plus a large walk-in closet. Numerous patios & beautiful landscaping complete the package. 2,495,000



*Mike Jashinski 831.236.8913
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Charming 3BR/1.5BA home near DLI on a large street to alley lot. Huge backyard, two fireplaces and plenty of parking. \$599,950

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OPEN HOUSES

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MONTEREY SALINAS HIGHWAY

\$495,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 12-2
26223 ACCLAIM CT Coldwell Banker Del Monte Mtry/Slns Hwy 626-2222		
\$559,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 11-1
18622 TARA DR Coldwell Banker Del Monte Mtry/Slns Hwy 626-2222		
\$565,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
216 CORRAL DE TIERRA RD Coldwell Banker Del Monte Mtry/Slns Hwy 626-2224		
\$625,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 12-2
24573 RIMROCK CANYON RD Coldwell Banker Del Monte Mtry/Slns Hwy 626-2224		
\$899,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 10-4:30 Su 10-4
25470 JOHN STEINBECK TRAIL Alain Pinel Realtors Mtry/Slns Hwy 622-1040		
\$945,000	4bd 4ba	Su 12-2
285 LAURELES GRADE Sotheby's Int'l RE Mtry/Slns Hwy 241-8208		

PACIFIC GROVE

\$445,000	2bd 1ba	Sa 1-5 Su 12-4
408 17TH ST Coldwell Banker Del Monte Pacific Grove 626-2224		
\$465,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 1:30-4:30
810 SPRUCE AV Sotheby's Int'l RE Pacific Grove 595-4591		
\$502,000	3bd 1.5ba	Sa 2-4
802 Workman Place The Jones Group Pacific Grove 917-4534		
\$524,900	2bd 2ba	Su 1-3
2nd 2 SW of Carpenter The Jones Group Pacific Grove 236-7780		
\$559,000	2bd 1ba	Sa 1-4
125 - 7th Street #4 John Saar Properties Pacific Grove 277-4899		
\$625,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-3
2910 RANSFORD AV Coldwell Banker Del Monte Pacific Grove 626-2221		
\$629,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1-4
785 Mermaid Coldwell Banker Del Monte Pacific Grove 626-2221		
\$659,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 2-4
825 17 Mile Drive The Jones Group Pacific Grove 236-7780		
\$695,000	4bd 3ba	Su 2-4
515 FOUNTAIN AV Coldwell Banker Del Monte Pacific Grove 626-2226		
\$789,000	2bd 2ba	Su 2-4
392 SINEX AV Coldwell Banker Del Monte Pacific Grove 626-2223		
\$795,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 1-3 Su 2-4
1119 RIPPLE AV Coldwell Banker Del Monte Pacific Grove 626-2226		
\$799,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 2-4
1134 CREST AV Coldwell Banker Del Monte Pacific Grove 626-2226		
\$949,900	3bd 4ba	Sa Su 1:30-3:30
710 LOBOS AV Coldwell Banker Del Monte Pacific Grove 626-2226		
\$998,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 2-4
122 13TH ST Coldwell Banker Del Monte Pacific Grove 626-2226		
\$1,049,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-3
860 Del Monte Avenue The Jones Group Pacific Grove 917-4534		
\$1,150,000	5bd 2ba	Su 2-4
1065 MORSE DR Coldwell Banker Del Monte Pacific Grove 626-2226		
\$1,195,000	5bd 2.5ba	Su 1-3
1203 Shell Avenue The Jones Group Pacific Grove 277-8217		
\$1,449,000	4bd 3ba	Su 1-4
165 Acacia Street Alain Pinel Realtors Pacific Grove 622-1040		
\$2,975,000	3bd 3ba	Su 1-4
1371 Arena Avenue John Saar Properties Pacific Grove 236-8909		
\$3,295,000	4bd 3.5ba	Fr 1-4 Sa 1-4 Su 2-5
1349 Pico Avenue Alain Pinel Realtors Pacific Grove 622-1040		

PASADERA

\$2,495,000	4bd 7ba	Su 1-4
807 Tesoro Ct. Sotheby's Int'l RE Pasadera		
\$2,947,000	5bd 5ba	Sa 1-4
408 ESTRELLA DORO Sotheby's Int'l RE Pasadera 277-3838		
\$2,947,000	5bd 5ba	Su 1-4
408 ESTRELLA DORO Sotheby's Int'l RE Pasadera 277-3838		
\$3,310,000	4bd 4.5ba	Su 1-4
1 Acre on 12th Fairway Steinbeck Real Estate Pasadera 809-6387		
\$3,485,000	4bd 4.5ba	Su 2-4
304 Pasadera Crt Egan & Company Pasadera 920-2960		

PEBBLE BEACH

\$785,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 1-4
3097 Sloat Rd Intero Real Estate Pebble Beach 521-0707		
\$785,000	3bd 3ba	Su 9-11:30
3097 Sloat Rd Intero Real Estate Pebble Beach 917-9083		
\$929,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 2-4
1216 LAKE CT Coldwell Banker Del Monte Pebble Beach 626-2221		
\$950,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-4
1068 Trappers Trail Alain Pinel Realtors Pebble Beach 622-1040		
\$1,095,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 1-4
3039 Strawberry Hill Road John Saar Properties Pebble Beach 277-4899		
\$1,198,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 2-4
1038 Wrangler's Trail Carmel Realty Co. Pebble Beach 241-1434		
\$1,199,900	4bd 3.5ba	Su 12-1:30
4092 CREST RD Coldwell Banker Del Monte Pebble Beach 626-2222		
\$1,290,000	4bd 3.5ba	Su 2-4
4016 COSTADO RD Coldwell Banker Del Monte Pebble Beach 626-2222		
\$1,295,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1:30-4
1268 Viscaino Road Alain Pinel Realtors Pebble Beach 622-1040		

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OPEN SUN 2 - 4
17 Del Mesa

CARMEL VALLEY

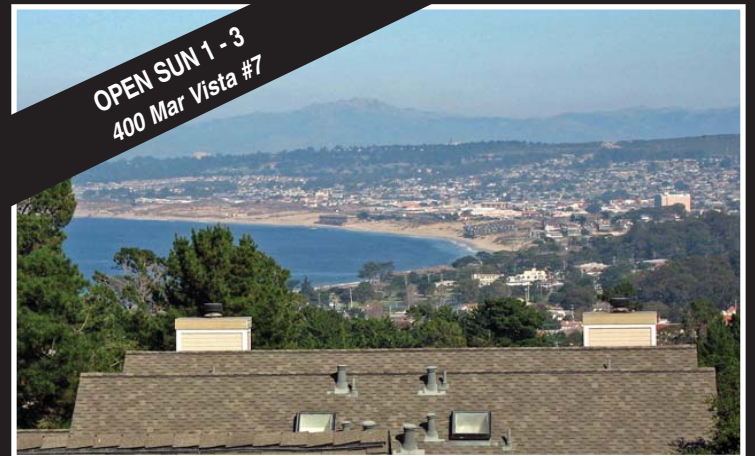
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Enjoy spectacular Monterey Bay views from this striking 2 BR/2.5 BA end unit townhome in sunny Monterey. Boasting vaulted ceilings, skylights, hardwood floors, wet bar, wood-burning fireplace, marble entry, and two decks. The gourmet kitchen features granite counters, gas range, pantry and adjoins a breakfast room. Close to shopping and all conveniences.

400MarVista7.com
Offered at \$549,000



OPEN SUN 1 - 3
400 Mar Vista #7



OPEN SAT 10 - 4:30 SUN 10 - 4
25470 John Steinbeck Trail

MARKHAM RANCH

Jump in your car to see this one! Located in gorgeous Markham Ranch with lots of open space and privacy. Incredible remodel, current owners have practically replaced everything: Hardwood floors, kitchen limestone counters, cabinets, appliances, baths, doors, even plastered the walls. Home has 3 fireplaces and 3 patio/deck areas plus nice fenced yard. Most on main level but bonus room upstairs.

JohnSteinbeckTrail.com
Offered at \$899,000

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Wonderful post adobe ranch style home with red Spanish tile roof. Formal dining room, sunny glassed in solarium, 2 fireplaces, and all situated on over an acre of prime land near Robert Louis Stevenson School. Tri-level home with separate stable and storage shed. Possible horse property

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OPEN SUN 1:30 - 4
1268 Viscaino Road



OPEN SAT 1 - 4
1113 Arroyo Drive

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Spacious & inviting, this single level home of very generous size is surrounded by golf course & green belt views on the Dunes's 6th fairway. Voluminous great room with 8 ft. windows, 14 ft. ceiling & 4 distinct areas to enjoy from a library, dining, media & large sitting areas. Grand kitchen with breakfast bar & sitting area, enormous center isle. 3 Car garage, top theater room.

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HOUSES

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PEBBLE BEACH

\$1,395,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-3
1121 SAWMILL GULCH RD Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$1,395,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 2-4
3113 HACIENDA DR Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2223		
\$1,495,000	3bd 3ba	Su 2-4
1080 PRESIDIO RD Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$1,599,000	4bd 3ba	Su 1-4
2877 COYOTE RD Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2221		
\$1,695,000	4bd 4ba	Sa 12-2
1612 VISCAINO RD Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2223		
\$1,695,000	3bd 4ba	Sa 1-4
1113 Arroyo Drive Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$1,998,000	4bd 5ba	Sa 1-4 Su 12-4
53 Spanish Bay Circle Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$2,095,000	4bd 2.5ba	Su 12-2
3149 Bird Rock Carmel Realty Co. 229-1124		
\$2,275,000	5bd 5.5ba	Sa 2-4
1423 Riata Carmel Realty Co. 809-1542		
\$2,350,000	4bd 3.5ba	Su 2-4
3141 Bird Rock Carmel Realty Co. 229-1124		
\$2,695,000	2bd 3ba	Sa 2-5
4031 Sunridge Road Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$3,250,000	4bd 4ba	Su 1-3
3189 BIRD ROCK RD Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2223		
\$3,275,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-3
3093 Hacienda Carmel Realty Co. 809-1542		

\$4,150,000	4bd 4.5ba	Sa 2-4 Su 1-3
1544 VISCAINO RD Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2223		
\$5,250,000	4bd 5.5ba	Su 11-3
3351 17 MILE DR Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2223		
\$6,500,000	7bd 5.5ba	Su 1-4
3108 Flavin Lane Sotheby's Int'l RE Pebble Beach 277-1169		

SALINAS

\$439,000	4bd 2ba	Sa 10-12
22655 Oak Canyon Road Alain Pinel Realtors Salinas 622-1040		
\$725,000	5bd 3ba	Su 1:30-4
27852 Crownne Point Dr (Call to get into the gate) Intero Real Estate Salinas 869-2424		

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\$520,000	4bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-3
4377 SHORELINE CT Coldwell Banker Del Monte Seaside Highlands 626-2222		
\$545,888	4bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-3
4455 Ocean Heights Keller Williams Realty Seaside Highlands 899-1000		
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Project: DESIGN-BUILD OF THE CARMEL RIVER REROUTE AND SAN CLEMENTE DAM REMOVAL PROJECT

California American Water Company (CAW) requests the submittal of qualifications from interested Design-Build Entities to provide professional Engineering/Restoration and Construction services for the design and construction of the Carmel River Reroute and San Clemente Dam Removal (CR DR) Project (Project).

The Project involves rerouting the Carmel River into San Clemente Creek at a location approximately 3,000 feet upstream of San Clemente Dam (SCD), bypassing the majority of accumulated sediment in the Carmel River, and removal of SCD and the smaller downstream Old Carmel River Dam (OCRD). The rerouted Carmel River (proposed Combined Flow Reach) will be excavated to the pre-dam 1921 surface, and then restored with a focus on steelhead passage, while the remaining (bypassed) accumulated sediments will be stabilized in place and restored to native upland habitat.

The "Design-Build" method of project delivery for the design and construction is being utilized.

The "Design-Build" process includes two steps to select the Design-Build Entity for the Project:

1. **REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ):** pre-qualification of Design-Build Entities.
2. **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP):** up to the three (3) most qualified Design-Build Entities will be invited to submit a proposal for the Project in response to the RFP. CAW reserves the right to request proposals from more or less entities as deemed appropriate at its sole discretion.

At their sole discretion, CAW will request Design/cost proposals from the three (3) most qualified Design-Build Entities after successfully completing the pre-qualification process. Through the RFP, the successful Design-Build Entity for the Project will be selected on a Best Value (specifically defined in the RFP) to the Owner basis.

Each Design-Build Entity responding to the RFQ must include, at a minimum, a General Engineering Contractor, appropriately licensed in California, as well as a Civil Engineer, Structural Engineer, Channel Restoration Design Consultant/Engineer, Landscape Architect/ Habitat Restoration Design Consultant, a Specialty Channel Restoration Contractor, and a Specialty Habitat Restoration Contractor, all of which must also be appropriately licensed in California.

A MANDATORY RFQ briefing conference is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. Pacific Time on November 10, 2011 in the City of Pacific Grove - Community Center, 515 Junipero Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. This conference is intended to review the RFQ process, submittal requirements, general project scope, disadvantaged business/other participation program goals, and pre-qualification evaluation criteria. The Design-Build contract award is currently scheduled for Spring 2013.

All RFQ submittals received from Design-Build Entities that do not attend the mandatory briefing will be returned without review.

Design-Build Entities may obtain an RFQ package by completing the Vendor Registration Form on the project website (http://www.sanclementedamremoval.org/?page_id=34), and downloading the RFQ from the Registered Vendor Protected Documents page (http://www.sanclementedamremoval.org/?page_id=270). This page is password protected - the password will be emailed to interested vendors after completion of the Vendor Registration Form. This is the preferred point of contact. The RFQ package may also be obtained by sending a request to the contact listed below. Please include, contact person's name, firm name, firm's Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN), mailing address and phone number. Request processing will be delayed if all information is not provided.

SOQ Submittal Deadline: 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time on Tuesday, December 20, 2012

CONTACT INFORMATION:
California American Water Company
Attention: John T. Kilpatrick, P.E., Engineering Manager - Project Delivery
511 FOREST LODGE ROAD, SUITE 100
PACIFIC GROVE, CA 93950

Publication dates: Nov. 4, 2011 (PC1103)

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY/NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Marina Coast Water District (MCWD) has prepared a Negative Declaration, pursuant to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) contained in Cal. Pub. Res. Code Section 21000 et seq. for the Ord Community Sphere of Influence amendment and Service Area Annexation Project that is comprised of a change to the MCWD jurisdictional boundaries. The Draft Initial Study and Negative Declaration are posted on the Marina Coast Water District's website: www.mcwd.org. Document copies are also available for review at the Marina Coast Water District's offices at 2840 4th Street, Marina, CA 93933 and 11 Reservation Road, Marina, CA 93933; Seaside Branch Library, 550 Harcourt Avenue, Seaside, CA 93955; Marina Branch Library, 190 Seaside Circle, Marina, CA 93933; and Monterey Public Library, 625 Pacific Street, Monterey, CA 93940.

Project Description: The proposed project is the Marina Coast Water District's (MCWD or the District) Ord Community Sphere of Influence (SOI) amendment and Service Area (SA) annexation in accordance with relevant codes and ordinances of the District and local jurisdictions, and the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000. MCWD proposes to amend their SOI and expand their SA to include all of the former Fort Ord, the development of which is guided by the Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA) and their Fort Ord Reuse Plan, and the relevant City and County General Plans, and Master Plans for California State University Monterey Bay (CSUMB), Fort Ord Dunes State Park, and University of California Monterey Bay Education, Science and Technology Center. The District currently provides service to this area as outlined in the Water/Wastewater Facilities Agreement between FORA and MCWD (1998). The end of FORA's legal existence is scheduled for 2014. The proposed project will allow water and wastewater service to continue beyond the FORA expiration, and will provide customers the ability to vote for the MCWD Board of Directors. In addition, a small area containing a school and a church that presently receive water from MCWD and are within MCWD's Central Marina customer area will be added to MCWD's SA to eliminate an island within the District that was inadvertently created during the last SA annexation of property north of Marina. In accordance with disclosure requirements in CEQA guidelines section 15072 (g)(5), this notice hereby discloses that the proposed project site contains the entire Fort Ord property that was placed on the National Priorities List of Hazardous Waste Sites (Superfund List) in 1990, as identified on the list enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

Written comments on this Negative Declaration will be accepted from October 31, 2011 through November 30, 2011. Comments can also be made during the MCWD Board Hearing on December 13th, 7:00pm at the MCWD Administration and Customer Service Office, 11 Reservation Road, Marina, CA 93933-2099.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR TO SUBMIT COMMENTS, PLEASE CONTACT:
Carl Niizawa, Deputy General Manager/District Engineer
Marina Coast Water District
2840 4th Street, Marina, CA 93933
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NOTICE TO RESPONDENT: EDMUNDO G. MIRAFUENTES You are being sued. PETITIONER'S NAME IS: TERESA MANDUJANO-CASTRO

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20112092 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: BRONSON PIANO STUDIO, 121 Fern Canyon Road, Carmel, CA 93923-9604. Monterey County. LYNWOOD F. BRONSON, 121 Fern Canyon Road, Carmel, CA 93923-9604. RENE E. BRONSON, 121 Fern Canyon Road, Carmel, CA 93923-9604...

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20112077 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: Palmer Press, SE Corner Carmelo and 4th Ave., Carmel, CA 93921; County of Monterey...

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

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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.)

A hearing on the petition will be held on in this court as follows: Date: Nov. 18, 2011 Time: 10:00 a.m. Dept.: 16 Address: Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Agujaito 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.

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.

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. 8, 2011. Publication dates: Oct. 21, 28, Nov. 4, 2011. (PC1018)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20112081 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: HOLISTIC HEALTH CENTER, 200 Clock Tower Place, Ste. 200, Carmel, CA 93923. Monterey County. DELANEY GABRIEL, LLC, 362 El Caminito Road, Carmel Valley, CA 93924. This business is conducted by a limited liability company.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ESSIE MAE DORSEY

Case Number MP 20439 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of ESSIE MAE DORSEY.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by CYNTHIA ANN DORSEY in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY. The Petition for Probate requests that CYNTHIA ANN DORSEY 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.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20112113 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: 1. SIMONMED IMAGING, A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION 2. CENTRAL COAST - A SIMONMED IMAGING FACILITY

Trustee Sale No. 432154CA Loan No. 3012593244 Title Order No. 602122887 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 03-02-2007.

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18, 2011. (PC1030)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20112207
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
Boronda Manor, 2073 Santa Rita Street, Salinas, CA 93906, County of Monterey
CMP-1, LLC (a Delaware Limited Liability Company), 1745 Shea Center Drive, Suite 200, Highlands Ranch, CO 80129

This business is conducted by limited liability company
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/01/2006

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/ Elaine A. Williams, Vice President - Property Operations
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey on October 19, 2011.

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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).
Renewal Filing
10/28, 11/4, 11/11, 11/18/11
CNS-2188940#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Oct. 28, Nov. 4, 11, 18, 2011. (PC1031)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20112219. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **STRANDS**, 5th & San Carlos, Carmel, CA 93921. Monterey County, **MONIQUE NOEL CHARLEBOIS**, 2 NE Corner of Mission St., Carmel, CA 93921; P.O. Box 222-832, Carmel CA 93922. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Oct. 20, 2011. (s) Monique Charlebois. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 20, 2011. Publication dates: Oct. 28, Nov. 4, 11, 18, 2011. (PC1032)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20112174
The following person(s) is (are) doing

business as:
ADM Canine Companions, 9541 Stone Oak Ct., Salinas, CA 93907; County of Monterey
Adriano D. Moises, 9541 Stone Oak Ct., Salinas, CA 93907.
This business is conducted by an individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
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/ Adriano D. Moises
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey on October 14, 2011.

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Original
10/28, 11/4, 11/11, 11/18/11
CNS-2196446#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Oct. 28, Nov. 4, 11, 18, 2011. (PC1033)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20112168
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
A B Racing, 1204 Airport Drive, Building E, Monterey, CA 93940; County of Monterey
Mark Bayless, 333 El Dorado St., Monterey, CA 93940
Tim Auger, 335 El Dorado St., #8, Monterey, CA 93940
This business is conducted by a general partnership

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A
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/ Tim Auger
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey on October 13, 2011

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Original Filing
10/28, 11/4, 11/11, 11/18/11
CNS-2196434#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Oct. 28, Nov. 4, 11, 18, 2011. (PC1034)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20112146. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
1. SPOKE CONSULTING
2. SPOKE
3652 The Barnyard, Suite D43, Carmel, CA 93923. Monterey County. **SPOKE CONSULTING CORPORATION**, CALIFORNIA, 3652 The Barnyard, Suite D43, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Sept. 7, 2011. (s) Erin Fogg, President, Spoke Consulting Corp. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 12, 2011. Publication dates: Oct. 28, Nov. 4, 11, 18, 2011. (PC1035)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20112222. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **BERNEAD FAMILY TRUST, 52 Via Castanada, Monterey, CA 93940**. Monterey County. **JEAN SUSAN WORTHINGTON**, 52 Via Castanada, Monterey, CA 93940. **PATRICIA NASHICK**, 5908 Kentlandsst, Las Vegas, Nevada 89130. This business is conducted by a joint venture. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Oct. 20, 2011. (s) Jean Susan Worthington. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 20, 2011. Publication dates: Oct. 28, Nov. 4, 11, 18, 2011. (PC1037)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20112191
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
Sakura Buffet, 1433 N. Main St., Salinas, CA 93906, County of Monterey
Hibachi Grill & Supreme Buffet, Inc., California, 1433 N. Main St., Salinas, CA 93906
This business is conducted by a corporation
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information

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S/ Qing Chen, President
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey on October 18, 2011.

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Original Filing
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CNS-2196845#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2011. (PC1104)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2011 2224
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
Laurel Tree Apartment Homes, 1185 Monroe Street, Salinas, CA 93906, County of Monterey
CMP-1, LLC (a Delaware Limited Liability Company), 1745 Shea Center Drive, Suite 200, Highlands Ranch, CO 80129
This business is conducted by limited liability company
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S/ Elaine A. Williams, Vice President - Property Operations
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Renewal Filing

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CNS-2188877#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2011. (PC1105)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2011-2231
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
California Custom Builders, 1322 Manzano Way, Salinas, CA 93905, County of Monterey
Omar Enrique Gomez, 1322 Manzano Way, Salinas, CA 93905
This business is conducted by an individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A
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/ Omar Enrique Gomez
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey on October 21, 2011.

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Original Filing
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CNS-2195284#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2011. (PC1106)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20112442
The following person(s) is (are) doing

business as:
AiKiTech, 1652 Sierra Ave., Seaside, CA 93955; County of Monterey
Lavester Boykin, 1652 Sierra Ave., Seaside, CA 93955.
This business is conducted by an individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
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/ Lavester Boykin
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey on October 24, 2011.

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Original
11/4, 11/11, 11/18, 11/25/11
CNS-2200474#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2011. (PC1107)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

Date of Filing Application:
October 13, 2011.
To Whom It May Concern:
The Name of the Applicant is:
CARMEL VILLAGE INN, LLC
The applicants listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at:
Ocean Ave & Junipero Ave Carmel, CA 93921
Type of license:
67 - Special On-Sale Wine Bed and Breakfast Inn
Publication dates: Nov. 14, 11, 18,

The Carmel Pine Cone

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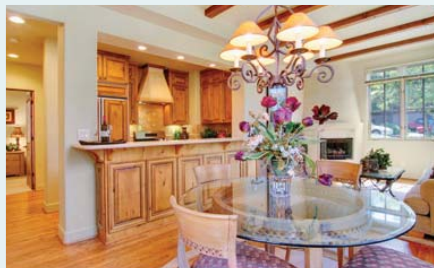
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CARMEL VALLEY TOWNHOME. Just remodeled 3BR/ 2BA home in a great location. High ceilings, new wood flooring and new Carmel stone fireplace. **\$669,000.**



CARMEL VALLEY TEARDOWN. Opportunity to own a lovely corner parcel near the Village and river. Two cottages. Two baths & two kitchens. **\$219,000.**



CARMEL VALLEY, SPACIOUS 5BR/ 4BA home. Outdoor patio with built-in bbq, gazebo and fountain area. Darling 2-story guest house. **\$999,988.**



CARMEL VALLEY, PRIME 4,900 sq. ft. estate on 1.4 acres with swimming pool, vineyard and views of Garland Park. Prepare to fall in love! **\$2,500,000.**



PEBBLE BEACH, SUNRIDGE home with expansive ocean views of Pt. Lobos, Carmel Bay & Fish Ranch. Lovingly cared for 2BR/ 3BA with a spacious yard. **\$1,095,000.**



PEBBLE BEACH, RENOVATED and expanded 3BR/ 3BA. Hardwood floors, French doors, high ceilings, skylights & many more high-end features. **\$1,495,000.**



PEBBLE BEACH, CYPRESS POINT 4BR/ 4+BA, 6,100 sq. ft. home. Cherry library with fireplace, courtyard entry, and beautiful gardens. **\$3,495,000.**



PEBBLE BEACH, 7BR/ 8BA French compound on .83 acres with beautiful ocean and golf link views. 2BR/ 2BA guest house. Remarkable! **\$4,250,000.**



PEBBLE BEACH, ELEGANT 4BR/ 5.5BA, single-level home. Golf course and some ocean views. Pool and patio. Double car garage. Gated. **\$5,250,000.**

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CARMEL RANCHO 3775 Via Nona Marie 831.626.2222
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