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Council seeks dream tenant for Flanders

By MARY SCHLEY

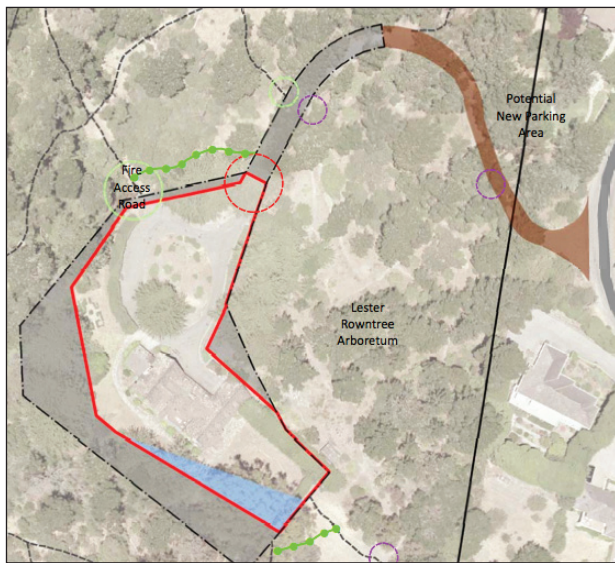
IF IT can find someone with a lot of cash and a desire to renovate — but not own — a beautiful but deteriorating 90-year-old house on the edge of a public park, the city won't sell Flanders Mansion, according to a unanimous vote by the Carmel City Council late Tuesday. But if a viable lease isn't in the works by the end of April, the city will take steps to put the historic home on the market.

According to the motion mostly crafted by city councilman Ken Talmage, the lessee would also have to restore the mansion according to historic standards in a timely manner and then maintain it in that condition until the conclusion of a lease with a long, but unspecified, term. The tenant would pay market rent but receive some sort of offset for



PHOTO/MARY SCHLEY

City officials (above) toured the Flanders Mansion property Tuesday before deciding to lease it rather than sell it. They also opted for a smaller parcel (red line at left) rather than the 1.252 acres (black dashed line) originally proposed.



improvements. A 2009 study estimated renovation costs at nearly \$1.2 million.

Furthermore, the person would pay for maintenance, upkeep and other expenses; defend the city in any subsequent legal fights over Flanders and carry liability insurance; and agree to follow numerous mitigation measures designed to offset the environmental impacts of using the house as a private residence rather than having it and its grounds available to the public. The mansion's private grounds would be .83 acres and include a .07-acre conservation easement.

The motion came at the conclusion of an hours-long hearing in which council members first voted to find the

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Burnett wants to tap underground water

■ Hopes city can receive credit for reducing amount drawn from river

By KELLY NIX

WITH NO water from Cal Am available for new projects, residential remodels or business expansions — and none likely to be available anytime soon — Carmel Mayor Jason Burnett is calling for the city to tap what is believed to be substantial underground water resources within the city limits for landscaping and other non-potable uses.

Among its top goals for the year, he wants the city council to look into tapping the city's own water supplies, including shallow water-bearing rock formations and underground springs.

"You could add up all these sources and have a couple of dozen acre-feet of water to use," Burnett told The Pine Cone this week.

The idea is that by developing these small water sources, the city might not only be able to keep its open spaces green and provide water for use on private gardens, it might also be eligible to receive precious water credits for drinking water, which mostly comes from the Carmel River and has been sharply curtailed because of environmental restrictions.

The council Tuesday voted to pursue eight initiatives this year, including maintaining "a leadership role in developing a long-term solution to the region's water supply while continuing to pursue a replacement and replenishment regional

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Commission: Event center a good idea but needs more study

By MARY SCHLEY

THE CITY sorely lacks venues for events serving 100 to 200 people, according to business owners, hoteliers and members of the public who spoke to the Carmel Planning Commission Wednesday. They encouraged commissioners to support a proposal to turn the old bank building at Dolores and Seventh into such a center.

Their arguments hit home, with the commission voting 3-0 to recommend the city council consider a proposal by owner Jeffrey Peterson to use the two buildings on the 16,000-square-foot property for meetings, conferences, wedding receptions, cooking demonstrations, classes, and some retail-oriented events. Peterson, managing partner of the LLC that bought the property in August 2011 after a proposal by John Mandurrigo to turn it into condos was rejected, also plans to enlarge the bathrooms and construct a full commercial kitchen inside, but the exterior of the modern-style structure won't change. The occupancy is 200 people.

"The purpose of this meeting is to review the proposed use at a conceptual level and provide direction to the applicant," associate planner Marc Wiener said in his report for the commission. "The commission should determine whether the proposal is consistent with the general plan and permitted by the zoning code."

Fred Kern, who developed the concept with Kristy Downing, presented the concept to the commission Jan. 9, describing a setup in which clients would rent the space to throw their events. He said attorney Tony

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PUC draws crowd supporting gov't-owned utilities

■ Cal Am proposes bigger desal plant

By KELLY NIX

WHILE THE California Public Utilities Commission continues its review of California American Water's latest water supply project, many of those who packed a public hearing at Monterey City Hall Wednesday made it clear that

they want the government to own and operate any new water project.

The hearing, sponsored by the PUC and moderated by administrative law judge Seaneen Wilson, was held to solicit comment on Cal Am's latest proposal, which includes a desal plant in North Marina, a wastewater treatment component and water storage facilities.

Cal Am estimates the Peninsula's water demand is 15,296 acre-feet per year, and company vice president of engineering Richard Svindland outlined its proposal to build the desal plant slightly larger to provide water for lots of record and what he called "tourism bounce back" when the economy recovers. The larger plant would cost \$17 million more.

"We now propose making the plant a little bit larger," Svindland said Wednesday afternoon.

After Svindland spoke, however, those who wanted to give the private utility company a piece of their mind, did. Many took the chance to blast Cal Am for the cost of the desal plant and urged public ownership of the facility.

The meeting was so crowded that the city's fire marshal issued a warning relayed by Wilson that the more than two dozen people who were standing had to find a place to sit on the crowded chamber benches. A second meeting held at 7 p.m. drew fewer people.

Several speakers in the afternoon rejected Cal Am's proposal of collecting a \$99 million surcharge from ratepayers over the next several years to help fund the project. The company also proposes seeking low interest loans for the plant.

"If the project should fail, it would be the ratepayers' money that would be lost, rather than Cal Am's money that would be lost," Tom MacDonald said. "Cal Am should be providing the capital to build any desal plant."

Others, including Linda Agerbak had similar views on

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Teen drinking leads to call for anti-party law

By MARY SCHLEY

AN OUT-OF-CONTROL party that landed one teen in the hospital for alcohol poisoning and raised concerns another might have been sexually assaulted while passed out has led to calls for a city law making it a crime to host a party where underage drinking occurs. The city council could consider a draft ordinance within the next month or two, Mayor Jason Burnett said at Tuesday night's council meeting.

Heath Rocha, a Carmel Unified School District director who oversees the district's drug and alcohol prevention efforts, told the council Jan. 8 that Carmel High School students "use and abuse drugs and alcohol at an alarming rate," exceeding that of their counterparts in Pacific Grove, Monterey County and statewide.

To help combat that abuse by getting parents and the community more involved in preventing their children from

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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

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"She was a Tasmanian devil," her person says.



"Anyone else would have put her down. But, after a lot of patience and petting and love, our payoff is a really good dog."

They named her Stella even before they met her. Enamored of the iconic character from "Streetcar Named Desire," Tennessee Williams' Pulitzer Prize-winning play, they imagined screaming out an exaggerated "Stella!" instead of "Come!"

Ever the alpha female, Stella is aggressive and intelligent and picks up tricks in a matter of minutes. But she remains on guard, scaring herself easily and cowering or panicking without warning. Yet when she feels safe, her person can lie on the floor and cuddle with her.

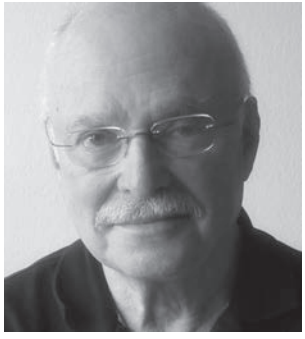
"We put Stella on a schedule, so she knows what to expect," her person says. "The more we repeat a sequence, the calmer she becomes. And when we go out of town, we're fortunate to have friends who can keep Stella on her schedule."

Stella doesn't go to the beach because it would offer too much information for her to process. But she has the run of a large property in Carmel Valley, where she can feel free and safe.

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Mountain lion suspected in grisly deer kill

By MARY SCHLEY

THE SOUND of coyotes yelping outside his home on Martin Road near Flanders Mansion roused Vaughn McIlrath from the DVD he and his wife were watching a couple of nights after Christmas, but after he went out his back door and yelled at them, the coyotes stopped and he went back inside.

The next morning, however, he discovered the gruesome carcass of a deer which had been torn apart and eaten, with two large pieces left about 50 feet from each other in a neighbor's backyard.

"I noticed a turkey vulture, and a carcass. There was the front portion, and it was out in the open," he said. "And then I went over to where the noise had been coming from, and lo and behold, there's the back portion of the critter. There were vultures all over the place, so I could tell something was up."

McIlrath suspected the coyotes had been celebrating their kill, but he later learned it would take a much stronger creature to tear the deer into pieces, such as a mountain lion.

"My chiropractor tells me that it would take considerable force to sever the spinal column," he said.

Mountain lions — though elusive, nocturnal and solitary — are regularly spotted in the more rural parts of the Monterey Peninsula, such as Pescadero Canyon, Hatton Canyon, Carmel Valley and down the coast.

After another day of watching wildlife pick at the carcass, and having been unable to rouse any law enforcement officials to deal with it, he dragged the dead deer into the Mission Trail Nature Preserve, about 100 feet away.

"Saturday morning, we're still watching all these critters tearing this thing apart, so it occurred to me I could drag it into the park, and then someone would take care of it," he said. "It was amazing how lightweight it was by the time I did that. It's really interesting watching nature."

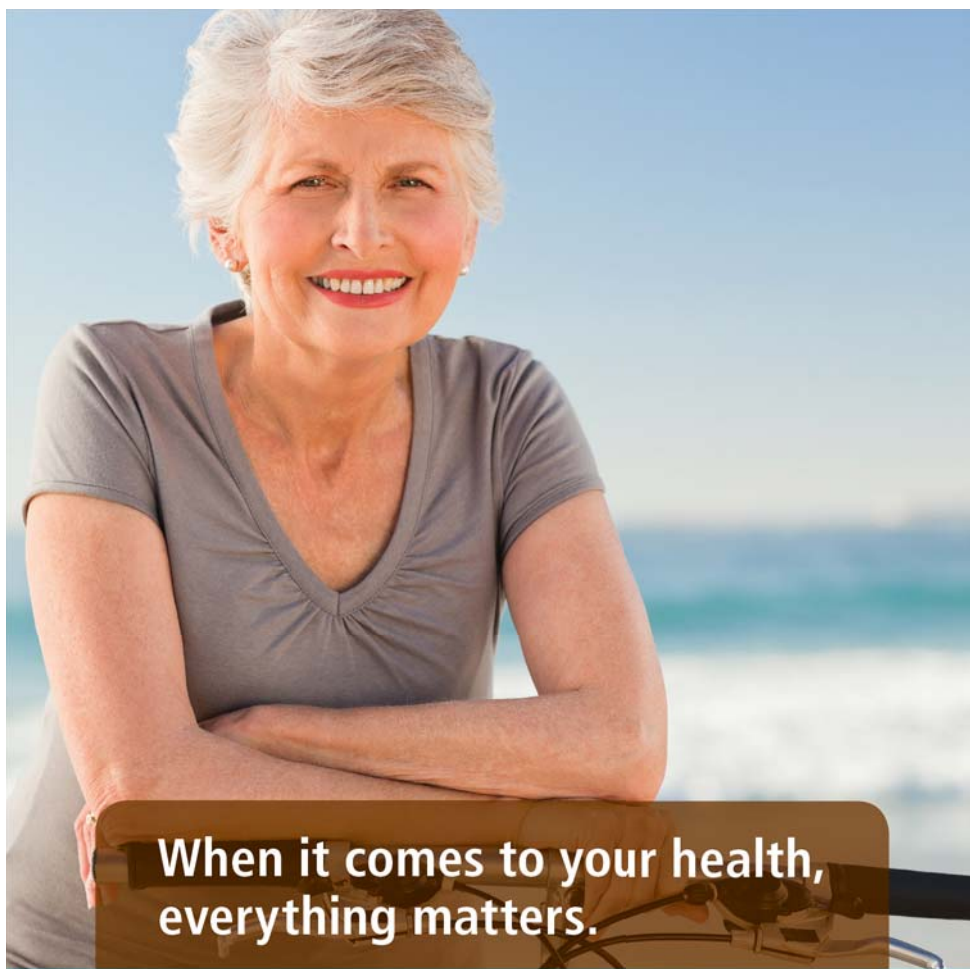
That day, Dec. 29, 2012, at about 2:20

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A vulture visits a deer carcass in a Carmel backyard. Residents suspect a mountain lion made the kill.

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Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

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

CHRISTMAS

Carmel-by-the-Sea: CPD units assisted a subject on Ocean Avenue in acquiring a taxi

after he was involved in a verbal dispute with his girlfriend in their hotel room. Both parties denied any physical altercation. They were counseled in regards to the applicable California domestic violence laws.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Man called to report losing his waterproof camera while visiting Carmel Beach. He said he last saw it about 0900 hours while he was swimming in the ocean. He wished to make a report in the event

the camera was found and turned in to the police department.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Man called to report losing a ring he had just purchased at a local jewelry store. He wished to make a report in the event the ring was found and turned in to the police department. A brief description of the ring was provided.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A local transient was informed that he was no longer welcome inside a business on Ocean Avenue. The subject was advised by the business in the presence of an officer that if he returned to the business, he could be arrested for trespassing. The subject stated he understood and left the premises without incident.

Pacific Grove: Hit-and-run traffic collision with a four-door sedan and unoccupied parked pickup truck on Central Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Driver involved in a collision on Dewey Avenue was found to be driving under the influence. The 32-year-old male was arrested, booked at PGPD and released on a cite.

Pacific Grove: Buena Vista Avenue resident reported her son entered her house and refused to leave. She slept elsewhere for the night, and the son left the house in the morning. No further.

Pacific Grove: Subject was contacted on Monterey Avenue trying to run from police. The 32-year-old subject was found to be intoxicated and was arrested. Subject was booked at PGPD and released when sober.

Pacific Grove: Observed five to six subjects in a park raising their voices while standing next to a wheelchair. They fled down a steep, muddy hillside when officer shined a spotlight on them. Checked the recreation trail, and the subjects scattered. One subject was contacted by an officer and arrested for public intoxication. No identifying marks on the wheelchair or leads as to where it came from. Wheelchair placed in property for safekeeping.

Carmel Valley: A Carmel Valley Resident reported an argument with her estranged husband. Both parties were contacted and counseled. Case closed.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Carmelo Street resident was concerned for her neighbor's cat who she believed may have an infection. She was advised to contact the neighbor who owns the cat.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Man walked into CPD to report a past-tense verbal dispute with two of his brothers on Dolores Street. He stated one of

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P.B. COUPLE ASKS JUDGE TO RECONSIDER RULING ON WATER DISTRICT RULES

By KELLY NIX

TWO PEBBLE Beach residents who lost a lawsuit against the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District over its practices of regulating water are asking the judge to reconsider her ruling.

In December, Monterey County Superior Court Judge Lydia Villarreal ruled against a lawsuit Richard and Sharlene Thum filed against the water district in 2011 that argued the district illegally restricted water use, violated their rights to privacy and erroneously charged them connection fees.

In siding with the water district, however, Villarreal upheld the district's methods of regulating water and said it had "broad powers to provide and conserve water, collect money for services, and restrict water use during an emergency."

In a 18-page response filed Jan. 4, though, the couple challenged the ruling, saying Villarreal did not adequately address the points outlined in their lawsuit.

"The decision does not accurately describe petitioners' argument," according to the document filed by attorney Margaret Thum, Richard's sister, "and hence is both ambiguous and fails to address controverted issues."

The Thums' battle with the water district began in 2009, after they decided to convert an 85-square-foot closet into a bathroom. The district gave them permission to install the bathroom before a water district employee performed a check of their house to finalize the permit process.

But during the inspection, the worker not only checked the bathroom but looked through the whole house, finding two handheld "shower heads" the district said had been installed without permits.

Though the Thums said that the home's previous owner denied making any changes to the fixtures after the last inspection in 2007, the district said it was unaware of them.

"This case is not and never has been about [the Thums'] right to add a new bathroom to their house," according to their objection. "Rather, the issue has always been whether the water district's permit rules that petitioners are required to abide by when obtaining a new permit comply with law."

The Thums had wanted a

judge to compel the water district to stop restricting the household use of water, set aside its method of counting residential fixtures, and order it to refund their connection fees.

In their suit, the couple contended the district's inspection of their house amounted to an unreasonable government search under state and federal constitutions. In their objection to Villarreal's ruling, they say she failed to resolve the issue.

Though Villarreal in her ruling said the Thums "agreed to an inspection of their residence" — a point also argued by the water district — the Thums called the judge's characterization "erroneous" and said there is no evidence they consented to have their entire home inspected.

"The evidence shows that [the Thums] agreed only to an inspection of the new bathroom — not their entire house," they said.

The Thums also tackle Villarreal's conclusion that counting water fixtures in a home helps restrict water and said there is no evidence that counting fixtures helps conserve

water. According to the couple, the opposite is true. "People, not fixtures, use water," they argue.

Furthermore, the Pebble Beach residents contend, the district's connection charges violate due process under state and federal constitutions because the water district does not have authority to charge connection fees, since it isn't responsible for providing water.

California American Water supplies water to most of the Peninsula.

"And, even if the district furnished water to petitioners," according to the Thums, "the number of water fixtures in their home does not reasonably relate to the cost of providing them a water connection."

The Thums have requested another hearing in front of Villarreal so the issues they've raised can be heard. If the judge sticks to her ruling, which she probably will, the Thums can then take it to the 6th District Court of Appeal. Margaret Thum told The Pine Cone the couple is still deciding whether to do that.



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Workshop on removal of dune trees

By MARY SCHLEY

THE FOREST and beach commission will hold a workshop Monday, Jan. 14, at 5:30 p.m. in city hall to find out what the public thinks about the stands of Monterey cypress at the northern end of Carmel Beach. Specifically, they want to know whether the trees should be maintained and replanted or allowed to die off and removed.

The meeting is a workshop, rather than a public hearing, "to have more open discussion," city forester Mike Branson said.

Topics at the workshop will include a review of the dunes' history, past and current issues regarding the trees, an overview of the restoration efforts being undertaken on the section of dunes north of Ocean Avenue, and discussion of the city's laws as they relate to that particular area.

The possibility of removing the trees arose during a forest and beach commission meeting last September, and commission chairman Tom Leverone said then that he wanted more public debate on the matter, especially from residents and

others who don't typically attend the commission's meetings.

In contrast with a longstanding concept that protecting the environment meant having more trees everywhere, last summer a group of residents led by Niels Reimers said it wasn't natural for Carmel's sand dunes to be covered with trees. In a July 2012 letter, they requested the city remove cypress trees adjacent to San Antonio Avenue "that in a few short years will form a dark green wall blocking the view of the Pacific Ocean and Pescadero Point."

Reimers also noted the California Coastal Act requires protection of "scenic and visual qualities of coastal areas," which, in Carmel, he maintains means broad vistas consisting of sand dunes and the sea.

Many historic photos show that Carmel has far more trees today than it did in 1900. In an August 2012 letter Reimers observed that, "As late as 1939, an aerial photograph shows the North Dunes without noticeable trees."

While the city's master plan for the area contains botanist Jean Ferreira's recommendations that Monterey pines and cypress on the beach not be allowed to proliferate, those suggestions conflict with the city's general plan, which trumps all other city documents and stipulates that dead trees should be replaced in the dunes, as with other parts of the city.

The workshop will begin at 5:30 p.m. in city hall, which is located on Monte Verde Street south of Ocean Avenue.

PARTIES

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drinking and doing drugs, Rocha said, a group of CHS parents formed Carmel CARES, which stands for Committed to Achieving Results and Ensuring Success. A crucial aspect is persuading adults not to allow underage drinking in their homes.

"A couple of months ago, there was a party that took place in the Carmel-by-the-Sea city limits, with about 30 Carmel High School students," Rocha said during the public comment period at the meeting. Carmel P.D. was called, and a few teenagers were cited.

"And unfortunately, one student was taken to the hospital for alcohol poisoning," he said. "Another student went to the hospital because she may have been sexually assaulted while she was unconscious at the party."

(Carmel P.D. detective Rachele Lightfoot told The Pine Cone that police cited three teenagers for curfew violation, and an intoxicated adult received a strong warning. She also reported there is no significant evidence the girl was sexually assaulted at the Oct. 28, 2012, party — which took place in a San Antonio Avenue home belonging to the grandparents of a CHS student and grew out of control as word spread via social networking — but DNA results have yet to come back from the state Department of Justice lab to help confirm it one way or another.)

The incident prompted Rocha to email Burnett, Carmel P.D. Sgt. Paul Tomasi (who has since been promoted to commander, as of Jan. 1), and Chief Mike Calhoun, asking them to draft and implement a social-host ordinance.

The new law "would hold individuals — social hosts — criminally accountable for allowing, knowingly or unknowingly, an event to take place where alcohol is consumed by minors," Rocha said. "It also addresses the commonly held belief that underage binge drinking is inevitable or simply a right of passage," and is therefore acceptable, even though it's illegal.

Parents are also known to allow their teenagers and friends to drink alcohol in their homes with the belief that it's better to know where they are and that they are not driving.

Rocha provided a copy of a similar law in Marin County that carries fines of \$750 for the first offense, \$1,500 for the second and \$2,500 for the third, and also holds hosts liable for public-safety services used during second and subsequent offenses.

"I urge you to adopt an ordinance with the stiffest of penalties and serve as a model for other municipalities," he told the council.

Pacific Grove has a social-host ordinance in its municipal code and used the law to cite then-19-year-old Christopher Veloz, who held the party where teen Aaron Corn was drinking before he drove and crashed his SUV into a tree near Skyline Forest, partially paralyzing friend Chelsie Hill, who was a passenger in the car, in February 2010.

After the meeting, Calhoun said Tomasi, who also runs the department's juvenile diversion program to help young offenders correct their ways before they end up in the criminal justice system, is working with city attorney Don Freeman to draft the ordinance. According to Calhoun, the county, as well as the cities of Monterey and Marina, have similar laws on the books.

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FLANDERS

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extensive environmental impact report on the potential lease or sale legally adequate. The study, prepared by Denise Duffy & Associates, evaluated the possible sale or lease of Flanders on a variety of different parcel sizes, in addition to the 1.252-acre lot that would have been sold under a scenario decisively approved in November 2009.

Although the primary purpose of the project is "to divest the city of the Flanders Mansion property, which is in need of significant short-term and longterm repair," the EIR concluded a lease would be the "environmentally superior or alternative" over selling the house, since a lease would keep the building and grounds in the city's control.

Secondary objectives include ensuring the mansion is preserved while being put to productive use in a way that doesn't disrupt the neighborhood, native plant garden and surrounding park — all of which a lease would presumably accomplish.

At the meeting, planning consultant Brian Roseth told the council that many of the comments received on the latest EIR were similar to those recorded and addressed in the 2005 and 2009 studies — both of which were partially overturned by the courts — and he read through several letters received in the few days leading up to Tuesday's hearing, addressing the issues he deemed worthy.

LA Paterson, writer of several of the letters, observed that a precedent could be set if Flanders is sold, but Roseth said the council has the discretion to act according to the best interests of the city, regardless.

Another vocal Flanders proponent, Skip Lloyd, sent a lengthy letter arguing that the city's general plan has conflicting policies that could stand in the way of a sale. Roseth said those, too, would be up to the council to decide.

Mayor Jason Burnett said he was impressed with Duffy's final EIR and thanked the public for providing input, too.

"The comments we received — and we have received many — have been fully considered," he said. "This has received a huge amount of scrutiny, so members of the public are helping us."

A list of conditions any renter might find prohibitive

Won't sue over lease

Melanie Billig, head of the foundation that has twice sued the city over the planned sale of the mansion, said her group supported a lease option.

Restaurateur and former mayoral candidate Rich Pepe suggested asking voters whether they want to sell or lease the mansion, and Les Albiol, who in the past has proposed a resident-curatorship in which he would fix up the mansion at his own expense in exchange for a life estate, said he canceled an out-of-town meeting to attend the hearing on Flanders.

"I would propose no new fences, no new roads, no new parking lots and a historically appropriate restoration," he said, adding that he would open the house and grounds to the public on a limited basis.

"This would be a terrific use of Flanders as a city asset," Albiol said.

At the meeting, council members also voted that the mansion should only be used as a single-family residence. They also made a determination that eventually selling it would not violate the city's general plan. Billig and other Flanders preservation activists have argued a sale would violate the plan, but the council, similar to the conclusions drawn by past city councils, disagreed and decided a sale would not violate city laws.

Confident the EIR is adequate and that its dozens of mitigation measures, which govern everything from protecting dusky-footed woodrats, to installing exterior lighting, should be adopted, council members moved on to discuss parcel size and concluded the .83-acre version would be best for either selling or leasing the mansion.

While a consultant's economic analysis concluded leasing the mansion would be virtually impossible, Talmage proposed the city try to find a lessee before pursuing a sale.

"I don't accept that on the face," Talmage said of the study's results, and councilwoman Victoria Beach observed that such economic analyses rely on comparative properties, but with Flanders, there aren't any.

"To apply the tool of the comp to a property that is quite literally incomparable is by definition impossible," she said.

Ultimately, council members refined a list of criteria required of any potential lessee and authorized city administrator Jason Stilwell to begin actively marketing the mansion.



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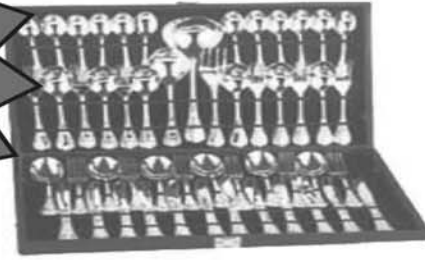


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Experts: a good night's sleep means more than feeling refreshed

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

YOU STAYED up too late last night, again, but this time it wasn't a party, a movie or work you brought home from the office. This time you simply wanted time to yourself. The kids were asleep, your spouse was snoring, and even the dog was down for the night.

Never mind that your alarm would sound off in just a few hours. The house was silent and soothing and yours, to do what you wanted. You packed lunches, read your email, folded clothes, flipped through a magazine, hung out on Facebook. You finally shut it down and slipped into bed just after midnight, or maybe later.

"A large percentage of America does not get an adequate amount of sleep, which is important because sleep impacts the function of virtually every part of body, including the brain, heart and other organs," says Dr. Richard Kanak, medical director of the Sleep Disorders Center of Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula. "Our general health can be affected in a variety of ways, long term, by accruing a sleep deficit."

While various conditions can interfere with sleep — restless leg syndrome, sleep apnea, diabetes, hypertension, obesity and anxiety — most people short on sleep, says Kanak, just aren't getting to bed.

"Mostly," he says, "it's by choice. We have too many electronic distractions and gadgets. We're working too long, feeling pressured to get more done than we were designed to do, or we're just not scheduling in sleep. The result is a sleep-deprived society. And the effects are many. Sleep deprivation has been shown to increase the risk for depression on a general basis, to foster a tendency toward irritability and short tempers, and to hamper concentration, short-term memory and focus."

Weight gain is another potential effect of sacrificed

sleep, not only because of extended opportunities to eat before bed but also because the body produces certain hormones when we eat and others when we haven't



If the guy at left is you at work, then you need to act more like the girl at right at night. Not only would it prevent you from losing your job, getting enough sleep would also protect your health. An expert from CHOMP has suggestions for how to do it.

eaten for a while. Some of those hormones, says Kanak, make us feel hungry, and others make us feel more full. Sleep deprivation increases the hormones that make us feel hungry, and it is an increased appetite for carbohydrates and fatty foods. This leads to behavior to satisfy such cravings, which can result in excess weight.

"The most basic advice for a good night's rest," says Kanak, "is to plan to go to bed early enough to have enough sleep time to get in 7.5 to eight hours of restful sleep before you have to get up in the morning. Shut down work and other activities one to two hours before bed, giving yourself time to wind down and allow your brain to prepare for sleep. Some people need more or less sleep than others, and there is quite a range, but the average recommended sleep time is about eight hours."

Also avoid exercise right before bedtime, as it will be

harder to fall asleep until the body has calmed down. Yet there is evidence, says Kanak, that exercise four to five hours before bedtime can make it easier to fall asleep.



And turn off the TV. If you're determined to watch your favorite late-night shows, record them on your DVR so you can watch them earlier the following evening. Besides, you can streamline the show by skipping commercials, and get to bed on time.

This season, resolve to get your rest. The American Academy of Sleep Medicine recommends the following practices to foster restful sleep:

- Maintain a regular wakeup time, even on weekends, holidays and vacations.
- Use your bed only for sleep, illness and intimacy.
- Avoid daytime naps; if you must nap, limit it to less than one hour, no later than 3 p.m.
- If you are a nighttime worrier, schedule your plan-

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'Probiotics' for better health: fact, fad or fiction?

By ELAINE HESSER

PROBIOTICS SEEM to be ubiquitous these days. Everywhere you look, there's a container of yogurt, a shot of liquid such as Yakult, a bottle of kombucha or some other supplement purporting to make your digestive system healthier. What are they? How are they made? How and why do they work, if they work at all?

The answers are as interesting as they are complicated, but let's start with the basics. Probiotics are live, "friendly" bacteria that occur naturally in the digestive system or are added through consuming products like yogurt. Purportedly, they support immunity and aid in the digestive process.

Yogurt is probably the most popular of these types of supplements. Food historians date the consumption of yogurt all the way back to the Neolithic period, around 6000 B.C. Probable points of origin are the Middle and Near East, where milk would naturally have curdled and fermented in warm weather. Yogurt is made by adding a live culture (usually from an existing batch of yogurt) to

warm milk and allowing the mixture to sit for several hours at room temperature. The bacteria consume the sugar in the milk, rendering it tangy, thick, and teeming with friendly bacteria.

According to late food maven and cookbook author Craig Claiborne, in the early 1900s, a Russian scientist noticed that Bulgarians — who ate a great deal of the fermented milk product — lived well beyond 70 years, first bringing yogurt to the attention of the international community as a "health food." Its popularity has risen and fallen periodically ever since.

Probiotic supplements in the forms of capsules or tablets contain freeze-dried cultures that come back to life after consumption. Yakult, which you may have seen marketed in tiny bottles or "shots," is a Japanese product made similarly to yogurt using skim milk and sweetened with a little sugar. Kombucha is a fermented tea, not as well known as some other forms of probiotics.

Todd Champagne, owner of Happy Girl Kitchen in Pacific Grove, shared the process: like vinegar, yogurt and sourdough bread,

kombucha starts with a "mother" — a culture of bacteria suspended in a liquid containing sugar — in this case, green or black tea. The mother is added to a larger quantity of sweetened tea and left to ferment. The final product is strained, chilled and consumed. A small amount of the mother is set aside for the next batch, much like sourdough starter. Flavoring may be added to make the beverage more palatable. It has a tangy, slightly carbonated and refreshing taste.

Happy Girl does not make its own kombucha but rotates several flavors of commercially made Lev's kombucha through its tap for patrons. It should be noted that several medical websites, including the Mayo

Clinic's, caution against home brewing kombucha because of the possibility of contamination with dangerous bacteria.

But what of the purported benefits of these supplements? Champagne declined to comment on the health benefits of kombucha, which has been said to help people suffering from a variety of ailments, including cancer and diabetes.

Numerous medical organizations, including Sloan Kettering Hospital and Livestrong, point out there is little or no clinical evidence to support these claims. Dr. Gregory Tapson of Carmel commented that there is very little clinical evidence to support medical use of

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WATER

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water supply and developing additional local water conservation and non-potable water supply alternatives.”

Likely the easiest and least expensive new source of water is to tap into a perennial spring underneath the Harrison Memorial Library that might be able to produce five acre-feet (about 1.6 million gallons) of water per year. The water from the spring could be used to irrigate nearby Devendorf Park, which the city irrigates with drinking water, Burnett said.

“We would only have to run [a pipe] about 50 feet from the library to Devendorf for the project,” he said.

The project would, in the long run, cut

down on the cost to irrigate Devendorf, which is responsible for city’s highest water bill.

The city also has rights to another five acre-feet of water from the Pebble Beach reclamation project, a \$67 million project the Pebble Beach Co. uses to irrigate its seven golf courses.

While the city has never taken advantage of the water, Burnett said he’s had recent talks with the Pebble Beach Co. and the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District about using it. The P.B. project, which includes a 100 million gallon reservoir that was completed in 2008, saves about 1,000 acre-feet of water per year, enough to serve 3,000 homes.

Another source is the Del Mar perennial spring at the bottom of Ocean Avenue, which produces about 10 acre-feet of non-potable water per year. The city uses the water for

landscape irrigation, but Burnett said the council will look at ways to expand the use of the water — that is stored in a new 25,000-gallon tank — for other municipal applications.

“This water is connected to the irrigation system for Scenic Road, is used by the street sweeper and fire department, and can be used for drinking water in emergencies,” public works superintendent, Stu Ross told The Pine Cone.

And an underground conveyance system separate from California American Water’s own pipes would be required for the projects. But they might pay off if the water district issues the city drinking-water credits equal to the amount of new recycled water the city develops.

While the city council will hash out the details of the projects and estimated costs in the coming months, Burnett acknowledged council members may determine the projects are simply too expensive to pursue.

“It may turn out to be cost prohibitive, or at least cost prohibitive most of the time,” he said.

Other concerns include how the projects might clash with the State Water Resources

Control Board’s 2009 cease and desist order that compels Cal Am to drastically reduce pumping of the Carmel River — the Peninsula’s primary water source.

Water district general manager Dave Stoldt said the order states that any new development of water must be used toward the reduction of the Carmel River supply first.

“What is not clear,” Stoldt said, “is if you are taking a non-potable source, is that actually new development [of water] under this section of the cease and desist order? My view is that it may not be.”

Regardless, Stoldt said the district supports developing new water supplies and said it will work with Carmel and other cities to do that. Pacific Grove has proposed three small water recycling projects, including building a new wastewater treatment plant and collecting runoff to use for irrigation for its golf course, cemetery and other sites.

All these new sources of water could also be used for landscaping on private property. Every gallon put on someone’s garden from a small, local water source would be a gallon that didn’t have to be taken from the Carmel River.

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■ Take a warm bath, have a massage, meditate, pray, sip some decaffeinated tea or engage in other soothing rituals.

■ Avoid consumption of alcohol, caffeine and nicotine four to six hours before bedtime.

■ Although a light snack can help promote sound sleep, a heavy meal can thwart it.

■ Participate in regular exercise, but avoid a strenuous workout four hours before bedtime.

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SLEEP

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ning, worrying and problem-solving as a task to complete before bedtime. Keep a notepad by the bed to write down concerns, confident they will wait there for you until morning.

■ Distract your mind. Read, listen to music, watch a videotape or get lost in a book on tape.

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Monterey Bay Village, VNA host Wellness Series

THE MONTEREY Bay Village — The Carmel Foundation's network that gives members access to a list of prescreened and scrutinized service providers, as well as to volunteers to help with day-to-day tasks — is teaming up with the Visiting Nurse Association to present a Wellness Series entitled, "Looking Ahead, Navigating the Second Half," Wednesday, Jan. 23, at 2:30 p.m.

During the meeting, to be held in the foundation's Diment Hall at Lincoln and Eighth, attendees will create their own Wellness Plan with the help of a panel presentation and discussion led by pharmacist Brian Ellinoy, Dr. Kathleen Tonti-Horne and a physical therapist from the Peninsula Wellness Center. Participants will also create personalized goal sheets to guide them "into a healthy New Year."

The talk is free and open to the public, and refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Nettie Porter at (831) 620-8717 or email nporter@carmelfoundation.org. The nonprofit Carmel Foundation serves members age 55 and older, providing low-cost housing and food programs, assistance to shut-ins, classes, transportation, medical equipment rentals and other services.

BACTERIA

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probiotics in general by otherwise healthy people.

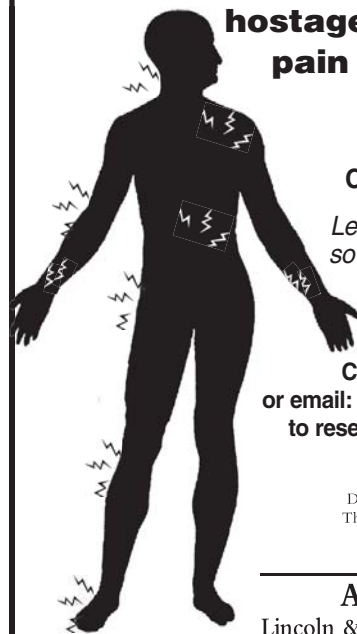
"Most of us don't have problems with well balanced intestinal flora," he said, noting that the "FDA isn't regulating probiotics, so anyone who makes one can claim anything about it." Still, Tapson said that probiotics like yogurt can be useful after a course of antibiotics — which kill off not only the harmful bacteria in the body, but the friendly ones as well. Some people with irritable bowel syndrome also find relief through use of probiotic supplements.

There are trials under way testing probiotics' effects on everything, from eczema, to yeast infections, but there is very little hard scientific knowledge on the topic.

Tapson said that one reason it's hard to predict any one supplement's effect on the body is that humans have more than 400 different strains of friendly bacteria in the digestive system, and it's difficult to measure what might be out of balance. He described the process as one of trial and error for those who do find probiotic supplements useful.

The bottom line is this: They probably won't hurt you, so if you like yogurt or kombucha, go ahead and indulge — but while Tapson says that clinical trials may show that probiotics "help more than we know," for now the jury is out on their benefits.

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Belgian Relief Work in Carmel

In a further effort to continue the feeding of the starving multitudes in northern France and Belgium, committees are being formed by the State commission in each county.

Miss Katherine Chandler of Pacific Grove has been appointed chairman for Monterey County. Carmel is to be represented by Miss Marian Wilkins (Mrs. W. G. White's cottage, Ninth avenue), and to her all those who desire to respond to this very urgent call are requested to hand their dona-

tions of money or pieces of new cloth or flannel (second-hand clothing being barred by the German government), and also yarn for stockings or mittens.

■ 75 years ago -
January 14, 1938

Explains Car Parking Ban

Reason for Sunset school's request that cars be prohibited from parking immediately in front of the school on San Carlos, during school hours, has never been clearly brought out in city council debate on the subject. Principal O.W. Bardarson explains that the solid banks of cars on both sides of the street narrow down the traffic lanes and screen from moving cars the children emerging from the school grounds. The council has granted the school's request, and clearing this roadway of parked cars is another step in the school's solution of its knotty safety problem.

Council Chamber All Dolled Up

When next Carmel citizens and taxpayers gather to listen to the city council debate matters of civil policy, they will not recognize the dear old council chamber. The painters have been busy there this week, and as a result the room looks broader, higher, deeper and considerably cleaner. The plastered walls and ceilings are a light cream, and all the old familiar smoke stains have disappeared. The woodwork is a soft, light green, very restful to the eye. The railing which divides the sheep from the goats is painted a pleasing shade of sand-color - not Carmel sand, but darker.

There are rumors that the council is considering special provisions for the press, provided the press behaves itself for a while. The press now sits hunched up in the front row and writes its notes with its bony knees or flat pocketbook for support.

■ 50 years ago
- January 10, 1963

Launching Ceremonies Sunday for Carmel Junior High School

The Carmel Junior High School, in operation since summer vacation, will be formally dedicated on Sunday, at 2:00 p.m.

To what is expected to be a large audience of students, teachers, parents and interested citizens, the day will mark both a ceremonial and practical point of departure. The handsome and somewhat unusual \$1,500,000 plant represents a new refinement in the district's educational attitude, being the first junior high school in a system heretofore organized on a primary-secondary basis.

According to plans, it will one day be a senior high school, and the present plant, at Ocean Avenue and Highway One, will become one of two junior high schools, the other being eventually situated in the valley.

■ 25 years ago
- January 14, 1988

Carmel drops lawsuit against water district

The action, signed at the Monterey County Courthouse Tuesday afternoon, gives Carmel 100 acre feet from the district's drought reserve until an EIR is completed on the allocation system, a solution resisted by the former water management district board.

The action was hailed as a new era of cooperation by Mayor Clint Eastwood and water board chairman Nick Lombardo. However, it prompted others, notably water board Director Dick Heuer and former director Patricia Bernardi, to charge that the district board has given in to political pressure and the power of Eastwood's fame.

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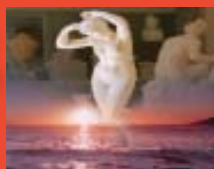
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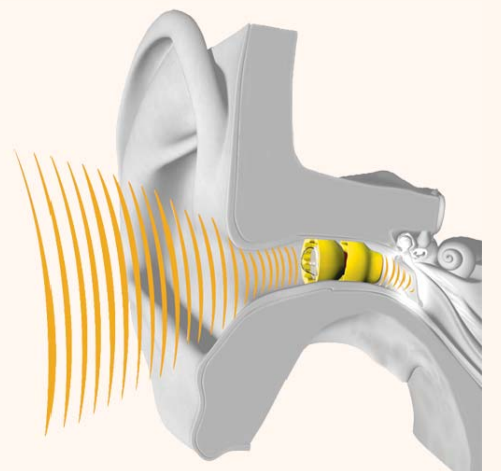
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financing the project, saying Cal Am, not ratepayers, should bear the financial risks for the desal plant.

"I would like the public utilities commission to ask Cal Am to put up its own money for its own projects and undertake the risks for those projects," Agerbak told Wilson.

Cal Am "should have the shareholders pay for it if they are going to own it," water customer Peter Kaiser said. "Otherwise, we should own it."

Monterey City Councilman Alan Haffa told Wilson the council voted 5-0 to support the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District's pursuit of an alternative water project, including water reclamation and underground storage.

"We think it's imperative that if the CPUC continues to work with Cal Am," Haffa said, "that it also works with the [Monterey Peninsula Water Management District] and possibly other entities in having an alternative in place."

It wasn't only Cal Am that took a beating. Others chastised the CPUC for not doing enough to represent the interests of local water customers.

"I don't feel like you guys are on our side at all," Melody Chrislock told the judge. "It's business as usual, and we are paying the bills."

Diane Cotton, who also recommended public ownership of the desal operation, said the state agency doesn't live up to its mandate to "protect consumers, enhance the environment and promote competitive markets."

"I'm here because I feel the CPUC doesn't represent me," Cotton said. "I feel they represent Cal Am."

Janet Brennan with the League of Women Voters advocated for public control of the desal operation, a move she said would "lead to better decision making."

"Public ownership is the only way to ensure transparency, accountability and responsiveness," Brennan said.

While those such as Monterey Plaza general manager John Narigi and other hospitality leaders at the meeting Wednesday night urged Cal Am to pursue a larger desal operation to allow for lots of record and small amounts of growth, Brennan said the desal facility should be as "small as possible to reduce development costs and environmental impacts while still meeting regulatory requirements."

Safwat Malek, who said he represents another new group that wants a desal plant to be publicly owned, said he strongly opposes Cal Am collecting \$99 million for the desal plant,

which he said is "mired with problems."

"We estimate public sponsorship will save ratepayers over \$17 million" over 30 years, Malek claimed.

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New Bates book to help daughter's education

ALMOST FOUR YEARS after he passed away, Carmel's "cartoonist laureate," **Bill Bates**, is still making people laugh. His cartoons are also helping to pay for the college education of his daughter, **Chelsea Bates**.

His cartoons still appear in The Pine Cone every week, and a new collection of Bates' work, "Carmel Remembers Bill Bates," went on sale this week in a variety of local shops.

Featuring about 80 cartoons that poke fun at a variety of local subjects, the book was produced by three of Bates' friends, **Bill Hood**, **Bob Greene** and **Mike Brown**.

"When Bill Bates selected Carmel as his home many years ago, he brought an amazing artistic talent, a keen eye for finding humor in the everyday life," writes Hood in the book's foreward. "Through his amazing cartoons, he displayed a unique ability to capture the heart, soul, spirit and true character of Carmel."

Proceeds from the sale of the books will pay for the living

expenses of Chelsea, a sophomore attending the University of Chicago on an academic scholarship.

"She's doing quite well in college," Brown told The Pine Cone. "But her scholarship doesn't take care of all her needs."

The book sells for \$20 and is available at a variety of local businesses, including Perspectives, Pilgrim's Way bookstore, Neilsen Bros. Market and Thinker Toys.

In addition to the book, a new series of notecards is offered.

"He will forever be in our hearts, as he brought a smile to everyone both in person and with his work," said Paul Fridlund of Pilgrim's Way.

ART ROUNDUP

By CHRIS COUNTS

■ Fund it and people will come

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Carmel Valley watercolorist Rolf Lygren's works featuring Monterey County agriculture (above) and printmaker Justin Ward's etchings of local landmarks (right) will be displayed in upcoming exhibitions.



Live performance or digital trick? Violinist 'plays' with distant friends

By CHRIS COUNTS

OFFERING A glimpse into the future of live performance, violinist Tim Fain presents an ambitious multi media concert Friday, Jan. 11, at Sunset Center.

While Fain will be the only person performing live on stage, he will be joined by seven others, thanks to the wonders of modern technology. Those "performing" include dancers **Benjamin Millepied**, **Craig Black** and **Haylee Nichele**, actress **Kate Hackett**, radio host **Fred Child**, composer **Nicholas Britell** and choreographer **Julia Eichten**.

"Tim put this project together based on a composition that was written for him by Philip Glass," explained **Dana Wermuller**, executive director of Chamber Music Monterey Bay, the presenter of the concert. "It's an unusual collaboration of technology and music."

Fain's project explores the challenges of human communication and contact in a world filled with rapidly evolving technology.

"Tim is interested in how we connect with one another in the digital age, how it's not necessarily a replacement for human communication, and how it's affecting our relationships," Wermuller said.

Performing a variety of compositions from the 20th and

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Beer comes of age, a holiday at the Ahwahnee, and accolades for the county

WINE DINNERS are certainly delicious affairs, but developing special menus to pair with various vintages and varietals often becomes routine for veteran chefs like Dory Ford, who runs Aqua Terra Culinary and oversees restaurant operations at the Point Pinos Grill in Pacific Grove.

So, he's gotten in the practice of hosting beer dinners, too. "I've been doing wine dinners for many years, and they start to get a little on the predictable side," he told The Pine Cone. "I enjoy them and will continue to do them, but beer has really come of age. There's as much effort and thought and crafting put into beer as there is into wine."

Opportunities to take part in his beer dinners include a Jan. 18 feast featuring and Uncommon Brewers and a Feb. 13

gathering showcasing 21st Amendment Brewery. Each produces beers that lend themselves to different styles, flavors and textures in foods, much as wines do.

"When you talk to a brewer, they can sit down and put six or seven distinctive beers in front of you, which is really good," Ford observed. "It's not like you just have a choice between Bud and Bud Light anymore. It's time to pay homage to that."

Plus, beer is less expensive than wine, so dinners featuring brews tend to be more affordable and draw a different clientele, though there's some overlap with the wine-dinner crowd.

"You can tell they are different, which is good, because we like to try to expand ourselves, not so much so we can be all things to all people, but so we can be reachable," he explained. "And then they're more likely to come back."

It helps that chef Tom Stutzman, who is in the kitchen at Point Pinos on a daily basis and undertakes some of the menu development, is "a particularly big beer person."

While Ford takes the lead in creating dishes for wine dinners, given his depth of expertise, "this is something Tom can really actively participate in," Ford said. "He has an understanding of the palate, of the beer and so forth."

The Uncommon Brewers Pairing Dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a meet-and-greet reception with brewery representatives as guests nibble on hors d'oeuvres of bacon ale fondue and brioche, dungeness crab and mushroom strudel with lemon crème fraîche, and beef tartare with potato chips.

Dinner will follow at 7, when Golden State Ale will be paired with honey-lacquered quail with ricotta stuffing and apple parsley salad. Siamese Twin Ale will be served with Phuket n' Shrimp and Grits — grilled prawns, coconut milk grits, trinity and okra — and the main course, California Cassoulet with lamb sausage, duck confit, pork belly and cannellini beans, will complement Bacon Brown Ale. Finally, Baltic Porter will be poured with a dessert of ginger-poached pear with vanilla mascarpone, cardamom pear puree, almond brittle and blue cheese.

And Ford said he and Stutzman are already working on the menu for next month's dinner featuring 21st Amendment.

The cost to attend each beer dinner is \$60 per person. To reserve, call (831) 648-5774. The Point Pinos Grill is located in the clubhouse at the Pacific Grove golf links on Asilomar Boulevard.

■ Miller heads to Yosemite

The famed Ahwahnee Hotel in Yosemite National Park is hosting its annual Chefs' Holidays series, and Mundaka restaurant's Brandon Miller is set to cook there next week. The series offers guests — and chefs — a unique opportunity to eat, vacation and cook amidst the splendor of one of the most beautiful places on the planet, and Miller has been a Chefs' Holidays participant for several years.

Attendees take part in a "Meet the Chefs" reception, three educational cooking demonstrations and tastings, and a behind-the-scenes kitchen tour. The crowning event is a five-course Gala Dinner served by candlelight in The Ahwahnee's historic dining room, featuring dishes prepared by the chefs paired with four wines.

The session in which Miller is cooking begins Wednesday, Jan. 16, with a 2 p.m. culinary demonstration by Mark Estee from Campo in Reno, Nev., followed by the Meet the Chefs reception in the Solarium at 6. Thursday will include a 10 a.m. demonstration by Peggy Smith and Sue Conley of Cowgirl Creamery, then Miller's demo at 2, and the Gala Dinner at 6:30. The behind-the-scenes kitchen tour is offered Friday at 10 a.m. and marks the conclusion of Session 4. The moderator for the entire session is culinary tour guide Connie Barney Chester.

Two- and three-night Yosemite culinary vacation packages are available at The Ahwahnee and Yosemite Lodge at the Falls, starting at \$896 and \$665, respectively, and include lodging and admission for two to the Chefs' Holidays events. Tickets for the Gala Dinner are \$199 per person, including tip, but not tax. For information or reservations, call (801) 559-4903 or visit www.yosemitepark.com/chefs.

■ County gets wine props

Wine Enthusiast magazine, one of the go-to publications

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soup to nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

City to seek state parks grant for beach restrooms

THE CITY council voted Tuesday to ask the state parks department for \$166,000 to help build permanent restrooms on Scenic Road at the south end of Carmel Beach, maintain the beach bluff pathway and stairs to the beach, and construct a walking path around Larson Field.

According to a Jan. 8 report from city administrator Jason Stilwell, the city will match 12 percent of the new grant with some of the \$100,000 it already received from the Coastal Conservancy for the restrooms.

The city is requesting the funds under the California "Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users," which provides tax dollars to federal, state, local and nonprofit organizations "to acquire, develop and/or maintain motorized and non-motorized trail projects."

The bathrooms slated to replace the porta-potties at Scenic and Santa Lucia have been in the works for a decade, with the plans drawn by architect Rob Carver finally approved by the planning commission last November.

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for judging and scoring the wines of the world, has named Monterey County as one of the Top 10 Wine Travel Destinations in the World — an accolade being celebrated by the Monterey County Convention and Visitors Bureau, which held a news conference about the listing this week. Monterey County was the only region from California listed in the Top 10, beating out Napa and Sonoma.

Grape growing and winemaking have grown significantly in the county during the past couple of decades, as vintners have fine-tuned their lands and growing practices to produce top-quality, highly sought after fruit. With the county appearing on the map as a worthwhile destination for oenophiles, the number of local tasting rooms has grown by 40 percent in the past year, according to the MCCVB, and innovative programs like SIP — Sustainability in Practice — exemplify the area's "ecological and social responsibility."

■ Drinking at Tarpy's

The bartenders at Tarpy's Roadhouse continue to develop compelling and tasty libation appropriate for the season, with winter-time creations like the Champagne Celebration (bubbly, orange bitters and Licor 43, a Spanish liqueur made from 43 ingredients that has qualities of citrus, vanilla and anise), and the Mint Chocolate Chip Cookie (Stoli Vanil, Rumble Minze, Bailey's and Creme de Cacao). Get them while you can.

The restaurant, located at Highway 68 and Canyon del Rey, also announced its lineup of special guests for Wine Down Wednesdays, including Bernardus Jan. 16, Kim Crawford Jan. 23 and Pessagno Jan. 30. On Wednesday evenings, the featured winery offers tastes, while Tarpy's gives discounts on the wines and a special prix-fixe dinner to match.

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■ Rancho Cielo shindig

Rancho Cielo's major fundraiser, the Round Up, will be held at the Monterey Plaza Hotel Sunday, Jan. 20, from 5 to 8 p.m. Rancho Cielo, which helps provide training in a wide range of vocations to young people who have run afoul of the law, is also home to the Drummond Culinary Academy.

Executive director Susie Brusa described the Round Up as "a fancy party in Western attire," that will entail a strolling dinner with small bites created by 18 of the best chefs in Monterey County accompanied by seven local wineries. The Hay Boys will play, and Rancho Cielo students will be on hand to share their stories. Tickets are \$150 per person. To reserve, call (831) 444-3533. The Monterey Plaza is located on Cannery Row.

Also, organizers have arranged for shuttle buses to carry visitors to dine at the Drummond Academy's Friday-night restaurant, saving Peninsula residents the long drive out to the campus east of Salinas. Brusa said this week that the Jan. 11 bus leaving from Carmel at 5:30 p.m. is almost full, but future shuttles are planned for Feb. 15 and March 15.

For reservations for dinner, call (831) 444-3521. For a seat on the bus, call Sarda Desmond at (831) 444-3521.

■ Meet the purveyors

Pacific's Edge restaurant in the Hyatt Carmel Highlands will host a winemaker for a special dinner Thursday, Jan. 17, followed by a Meet the Farmer lunch Saturday, Feb. 2, featuring local abalone growers.

Doug Margerum of Margerum Wine Company will discuss his small-production wines at the dinner, which will take place in the cellar room at the center of the restaurant. Margerum and his team "strive to make wines naturally, to make wines that have individual characteristics and to make wines with personality," from young vintages meant to drink now, to those that can age for years.

Executive chef Matt Bolton's planned menu for the evening will begin with lime-marinated Monterey Bay spot prawn with haricot vert and truffle emulsion, to be served with 2011 Cent'Anni Vineyard Buoni Anni Bianco (Santa Ynez Valley); and a second course of John Dory with heart of palm, arugula, parmigiano reggiano and blood orange emulsion, served with 2011 Sybarite Sauvignon Blanc Happy Canyon (Santa Barbara County). The third course will be port-and-huckleberry-poached squab with white polenta and candy cap mushrooms, served alongside 2010 M5 (Santa Barbara County), and the entrée will be pan-seared prime Niman Ranch natural rib eye with Big Sur chanterelles, sunchoke gratin and sauce bordelaise, paired with 2007 Happy Canyon Vineyards Barrack Brand (Santa Ynez Valley). Finally, crème fraiche panna cotta

with apple, olive oil powder, Meyer lemon, almond and Granny Smith apple ice cream will be served alongside 2011 Riesling (Santa Barbara County).

Dinner is set to start at 6 p.m. and costs \$125 per person, plus tax and gratuity.

The first Meet the Farmer lunch of the year will star Monterey Abalone Company's Arthur Seavey and Trevor Fay, who will discuss the shellfish they grow below Wharf No. 2 for local restaurants. Bolton will prepare a three-course lunch featuring the beloved abalone and other local ingredients, and wine will be poured to match.

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abalone are delivered to their clients alive.

The fishermen and Bolton will chat with guests throughout the lunch, which will be held in the restaurant's wine room and costs \$75 per person, plus tax and tip.

Reservations are required for both events. Call (831) 622-5445 or visit www.pacificsedg.com. The restaurant is located in the hotel at 120 Highlands Drive off Highway 1 south of Carmel.

■ 1645 River Road

Pessagno will host its "winter seasonal dining experience" Friday, Jan. 25, with seatings at 6 and 8 p.m. in its winery at 1645 River Road — the name organizers have given their occasional restaurant, which they describe as "Monterey County's most dynamic wining and dining."

Chef Mo Tabib of the Fish Hopper seafood restaurant in Monterey will prepare the evening's fare, which will be paired with Pessagno's own wines. The cost is \$75 per person, which includes an appetizer, salad, main course and dessert, and reservations are required. For tickets, go to www.pessagnowines.com.

■ Agave dinner at the Rio

Chef Cy Yontz will find inspiration in agave Thursday, Jan. 24, at 7 p.m., when he hosts his second annual Agave-themed dinner at the Rio Grill in the Crossroads featuring Del Maguey Mezcal. Guest chefs include his brother, Sean Yontz, and Martin Garcia from El Diablo in Denver, Colo., and restaurant consultant Tommy Birdwell from Houston,

Texas. They will collaborate with Yontz, longtime Rio sous chef Eduardo Coronel and barman Eddie Banaszek. Ron Cooper, owner of Del Maguey, will host.

The menu is set to include confit of Texas bobwhite quail tamale with roasted chestnut masa, date mole and Chichicapa crema; poblano pesto-horseradish crusted sturgeon with clabber cream and braised pistachio-sweet potato hash; smoked lamb tenderloin with white beans, mustard cracklin and arbol-mint gremolata; Berkshire pork trotter and crisp ears with poached quail egg, Verde Farms cilantro pipian and radishes; and El Rey Venezuelan tort with peanut butter ice cream, Oreo crumble and Del Maguey Crema custard. Cocktails created with Del Maguey will complement each course.

The cost is \$75 per person. For reservations, call (831) 625-5436 or visit www.riogrill.com.

■ Sip the Peninsula

The nonprofit Monterey Bay Officer Spouses' Club will present Sip the Peninsula, a wine and beer tasting accompanied by a silent auction, in the Barbara McNitt Ballroom in historic Hermann Hall at the Naval Postgraduate School Saturday, Feb. 9.

Slated to pour throughout the event, which will run from 7 to 11 p.m., are Taste of Monterey, Carmel Ridge, Chateau Marie Antoinette, Peter B's, Bottoms Up, Martinelli's, Sparky's and others, while food will be provided by Old Fisherman's Grotto, The Bountiful Basket, Pieces of Heaven, and Tillie Gort's Cafe, as well as by the NPS culinary team.

VIP entry is available from 6 to 7 p.m. for \$55, while general admission tickets are \$45 in advance or \$55 the day of the event. Tickets for designated drivers are \$30.

For more information and to buy tickets, see www.montereybayosc.com.

CHP holds monthly teen driver program

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

PARENTS WHO have lost their children in automobile accidents and officers who have investigated such tragedies will share their stories, experiences and advice to help teenagers become safer drivers during the California Highway Patrol's monthly Start Smart class Wednesday, Jan. 16, in Salinas.

Car crashes are the leading cause of death for teenagers, and California has the second highest fatality rate in the nation involving drivers between the ages of 15 and 20. The CHP offers Start Smart in an effort to reduce that rate, as well as the number of young drivers injured in collisions.

During Start Smart, officers and others directly address recently licensed drivers and their parents or guardians, providing collision avoidance techniques and discussing elements that contribute to and cause crashes. They also describe driver responsibilities and local collision trends, and parents who have lost their children in automobile accidents share testimonials about their experiences.

The free class is scheduled for 6 p.m. in the CHP Monterey Area office at 960 E. Blanco Road in Salinas. For more information or to reserve a seat, contact officer Robert Lehman at (831) 796-2197.



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Editorial

The right way to preserve open space

THE STATE of California has a sorry history of government intimidation, harassment and abuse of property owners who want to do something with their land.

Nevermind that using your property for an economically beneficial purpose — farming it, logging it or building something on it — is a constitutional right, entities such as the California Coastal Commission, goaded by environmental zealots and enabled by irresponsible legislators, have specialized in grabbing open space for the public without paying for it. If private property is to be left undeveloped, the owner should either do so voluntarily — as Clint Eastwood did, for example, with the Odello property on the east side of Highway 1 — or he should receive fair compensation, as has occasionally happened, as well.

An outstanding example of the right way to preserve open space is the acquisition two weeks ago of a prime piece of residential property on 17 Mile Drive by the Del Monte Forest Conservancy. This land will now remain undeveloped in perpetuity, thanks to the generosity of a handful of anonymous donors in Pebble Beach who ponied up the \$4.1 million to buy the land. Undoubtedly some of them acted partly in self interest, because they have views across the property from their own homes. But that doesn't matter. The point is that the family that sold the property did so voluntarily because they received a fair price, and the people who paid for it must have also received what they considered a fair return, because they acted on their own initiative.

We thank them all, not only for giving the public something precious, but for doing so the right way.

Water water everywhere

FOR 15 years we have been recommending that private wells be drilled in many parts the Monterey Peninsula to provide more water for limited amounts of new development and to reduce pumping from the Carmel River. Finally, the Carmel City Council is acting on this commonsense idea.

According to Monterey Peninsula Water Management District attorney David Laredo, our water shortage is an "emergency." Nevertheless, ever since the "emergency" began more than 20 years ago, the water district has done everything it could to discourage individual initiative in alleviating it.

Assuming you live outside the Carmel River watershed, if you drill a shallow well in your backyard and use the water on your garden, every bit you use will be water that doesn't have to be taken from the river. Despite their obvious advantages for the environment, private wells have been discouraged, if not banned.

Likewise, if you went to all your neighbors' houses and replaced their high-flow toilets with low-flow models, and used half the water thus saved to add a bathroom to your own home, the net result would be a savings for the river. But this practice is banned, too.

Finally, at least one local government is waking up to the idea that our water shortage is something to be solved for the common good, not manipulated to prevent development against the wishes of a majority of the people. Beneath Carmel, Pebble Beach, Pacific Grove and Monterey, there is plenty of fresh water that could be put to good use without spending hundreds of millions of dollars. The sooner everybody wakes up to this fact, the better.

BEST of BATES



"How's your cough?"
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Letters to the Editor

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'Save us from ourselves'

Dear Editor,

Your Jan. 3 Editorial, "No Logic Anywhere," criticized the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District for assuming the role of "water fixture cop" as a means to control water usage. However, what you miss from your libertarian ivory tower is the simple fact that plumbing self-determination is way too much responsibility for us to handle on our own.

Everyone knows that with the now widespread use of indoor plumbing technology, society needs a bureaucratic entity to determine the appropriate number of faucets, toilets, and showers for our homes.

Without such regulatory constraint, left to our own devices, we'd soon have faucets distributed throughout houses like electrical

outlets. Further, having lived for a number of years in a "McMansion" (with 5 1/2 bathrooms!) in suburban Denver, I can personally attest that when water fixtures abound, the temptation to more frequently use the restroom, take showers, wash hands, brush teeth, etc. becomes irresistible.

Sometimes, we do need government to save us from ourselves.

Erik Davidson, Carmel

Kudos to the city council

Dear Editor,

The Flanders Mansion resolution process carried out this week by the Carmel City Council, chaired by Mayor Jason Burnett, was an exemplary model of an open and transparent government process and was also a model for democracy in action.

The four-hour meeting Tuesday night contained many impassioned written and verbal comments and recommendations. These were all seriously considered and entered into the record. All interested persons were given an ample opportunity to be heard before the council started its deliberations. The council then deliberated these recommendations and many environmental and legal reports that had accumulated over the past decade and finally reached a unanimous resolution around 10:15 p.m.

For those who missed this example of an open and transparent government process in action, the archived video will soon be available on the city's website. Congratulations city council members!

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When Panetta retires, he's actually going to be busier than ever

News item: Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta is ending about five decades of public service. The 74-year-old told reporters that he looks forward to returning to his family's small walnut farm in Carmel Valley. "I'll be dealing with a different set of nuts," he said. Panetta was a Congressman representing the Monterey Peninsula, and was director of the Office of Management and Budget for President Clinton. He was later appointed Clinton's Chief of Staff. After an eight-year Bush vacation, he was named director of the Central Intelligence Agency by President Obama and later became Secretary of Defense.

In a related topic, this reporter has uncovered a document purported to be Panetta's bucket list.

The document is an annotated handwritten memo on CIA letterhead, and it is titled, "Inventory of Stuff I Need to do During Retirement, by Leon Panetta."

It includes the following entries:

- Have Hamid over for drinks and Scrabble.
- Take tropical vacation where POTUS can't find me ... snorkeling and mimosas!
- ~~Ask Petraeus to recommend biographer.~~ Never mind.
- Catch up with DVD stacks of "Homeland," "West

Wing" and "Breaking Bad."

- Prank Biden.
- Sign thank-you notes to diplomats.
- Get involved in local issues — (Flanders Mansion?)
- Remind biographer who Ruckelshaus was.
- Talk to Alan Simpson about possible comedy team act.
- ~~Mediate NHL strike.~~ Resolved!
- Balance federal budget, just for old time's sake.
- Call KION/KCBA, tell them I'm not interested in leading their CIA team.
- Prank Putin.
- Hang out with the old boys at the donut shop.
- Freak out friends with decommissioned CIA robotic spy insect.
- Shop for one of those mechanical tree-shaker things for nut farm.
- Watch Fox News at ear-splitting decibels when the kids come over.
- Write long-anticipated book about vampires in the White House.
- Rescue Greek economy.
- Send regrets to Cheney, re: hunting invitation.

- Buy red sports car. GranCabrio Sport?
- Invite Bashar to Institute lecture series.
- Run for governor. LOL!
- ~~Write screenplay about killing Osama.~~ Already been done!
- Cancel dinner plans with Al Roker.
- Cash in accumulated airline travel miles.

beyond the realm

By JOE LIVERNOIS

- Send "change-of-address" notification to the Clintons.
- Meet a Kardashian. (Armenian prime minister? Check CIA World Factbook.)
- Prank Hagel.
- Remind biographer that Richard Nixon forced me out of civil-rights gig.
- Offer Institute internship to Netanyahu's troubled nephew.
- Return CIA cipher box.

Ribbon cutting for new bridge Tuesday

CITY OFFICIALS will gather at the top of Mission Trail Nature Preserve at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15, to dedicate the new foot bridge that opened in the popular park a month ago. The new 40-foot span traverses a 12-foot-deep, 35-foot-wide ravine and replaces a bridge that had suffered dry rot and other maladies of age.

The busy entrance at the north end of the park was detoured for six weeks while Stowe Contracting built the new bridge, which cost taxpayers \$45,747. It was designed by Darren Davis of Draftech in Monterey and engineered by Alex Ott of Seaside. Stowe is based in Marina.

Members of the public are invited to join dignitaries for the ribbon cutting next Tuesday, city forester Mike Branson announced this week.

Drop off Christmas trees at Forest Theater

WASTE MANAGEMENT'S Joe Cadelago reminded everyone at Tuesday's Carmel City Council meeting that anyone who has yet to dispose of a Christmas tree can drop it in a box that will be located at the Forest Theater through the end of January.

He also announced the garbage company will again collaborate with the city and the Carmel Residents Association on an e-waste recycling event to be held in the Vista Lobos parking lot at Torres and Third from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19.

"The public can drive up and don't even have to get out of their cars," Cadelago said. "Hope to see you all there."

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Her Quaker forebears settled in pre-Revolutionary western Pennsylvania in the late 1700s, and Lynne was born in Pittsburgh, PA in 1943. Her college years were spent at Wells in Aurora, New York, where her study of world religions and Jungian psychology, as well as her travels abroad to Argentina and Spain, were influential and expansive experiences. Throughout her life, she sought and found opportunities to learn in everything—including travel, literature, politics, children, and nature—and she wove her insights into wide-ranging conversations with family and friends that she so enjoyed, and we will so miss.

While living in Boston, she met her husband of 45 years, William Miles, on a lobster boat in Gloucester Harbor on the 4th of July 1965. They were married two years later on the island of Antigua BWI. The zeitgeist of the moment included the surging Women's Liberation movement, and one of Lynne's greatest gifts to Bill was to teach him to be a liberated male, and to ensure that her daughters, Sarah, born in 1968 and Alia, born in 1970, would continue this important work. A key issue for Lynne was maintaining the rights of women. She was proud of her recent work with a group of likeminded friends with whom she drafted a Pledge as one generation of American women speaking to another, encouraging young women to vote to protect women's rights, particularly for health care and equal pay.

Lynne and Bill and their young daughters moved west to the San Francisco Bay Area in 1971. Lynne began a career as a teacher in the tradition of Maria Montessori, first at Lafayette Montessori and then at Berkeley Montessori School where she was a teacher, and eventually both a creator and administrator of the Middle School. Later in her 29-year career, she became principal of the Lower School at La Jolla Country Day School. She loved what she called "kid energy," and throughout her life had a particular passion for environmental education and fostering connections between children and the natural world.

Dedicated to her daughters and their families — Sarah Pennington Miles and Rex Stewart of Santa Cruz, Alia Sargent Miles and Alphonse Goettler of Portland, and especially to her grandchildren, Fiona Lynne (age 10), and Ava Elizabeth (age 7) Goettler — Lynne was an exceptionally thoughtful and caring mother, noni (grandmother), and wife. She affectionately called her husband Bill, "he who takes care of many people," and she was very grateful for his love and care throughout her life, particularly during her medical challenges which they bravely faced together. No list of Lynne's nearest and dearest would be complete without mention of Charlie, the giant champagne-colored poodle with a moustache, whom Lynne adored and who likewise adored her.

Drawn to the unique beauty of the Monterey Peninsula on a family vacation, she and Bill moved to Carmel nine years ago and created a comfortable home where Lynne found joy in tending her garden and roses. She greatly enjoyed the friendships she made at Quail Lodge & Golf Club and through the Newcomers and Peninsula Clubs. She loved playing bridge with her friends and talking with the other women in her Book Club, and always felt that time in the company of friends was well spent.

Lynne made a vigorous contribution in grant writing and development as a member of the board of the local non-profit Point Lobos Foundation, eventually becoming its Vice President. She had deep reverence for the beauty and sacredness she saw reflected in Point Lobos. Taking in the views of China Beach and Bird Island while enjoying the play of the sky and the sea was a favorite pastime, and Lynne felt it was her responsibility to help ensure its preservation for the enjoyment of future generations.

The Miles Family has designated the Point Lobos Foundation for those inspired to make a contribution in her memory. Please go on-line to www.pointlobos.org

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Serious artist's close encounter leads to career in cartooning

YOU MIGHT expect someone who writes and draws a comic strip to be funny, or at least entertaining, and Bridgett Spicer is both. Her strip, seen in the Monterey County Herald and around the country and online, is called Squid Row, so you know it's home-based. Bridgett herself spent her first four years in Eureka, daughter of a Vietnam vet who later returned to the military and was transferred hither and yon with his family. Bridgett arrived in Pacific Grove in 2001, and though now on sabbatical in Salinas, she looks forward to returning to the ocean in the not-too-distant future.

She got her start in graphics at the feet of her mother and aunt, who were talented artists in their own way. She's been drawing in a serious way since she was a child — "I

but not a very nice person," she says — and Van Gogh. "And the Impressionists are fascinating to me because they changed the face of the art world." She's drawn a lot of her awareness from documentaries rather than books, and has an impressive range that she frequently weaves into her comic strip.

"I started a freelance business once I got out of college. I did freelance cartooning on the side, and I would do business logos and that sort of thing, and I worked as the manager of an art supply store. They hired me to be their art manager-type person, and I got very familiar with all different kinds of paints and how they're used and what-not."

Serendipity nudged her in a new direction when, visiting her family back East, she was blocked from returning by a snow storm and took the opportunity to see a Bill Watterson ("Calvin and Hobbes") exhibit. She had always loved his work, but what so captured her was the display of the pencil drawings with their erasures next to his finished Sunday pieces. "It

did something for me. While I do consider Bill Watterson of god-like status, it demystified him. It made him human. I got to see all of the white-out and stuff and I thought, 'Maybe I could do this.'"

She returned home and decided that she wanted to be a cartoon strip artist. She bought all of the books that show you what to do. "They give you the steps-by-steps, say you should always draw something you know, and I took that to heart. I know art and I know shoestring budgets, and I know living

in Monterey." So she created the concept of Squid Row and a bunch of characters that she herself would like to hang out with, and went from there. Her main character is Randie, an artist, and then there's a musician and another who's a writer.

How did she get into print? She sent out packages of her work to all of the major syndicators, but, "They all sent me a polite little letter that said, 'Thanks for trying, we see you're working hard on this, keep going, but no, we're not interested.'"

She put down the comic work for several years when she returned east to care for her dying father. When she came back, she resumed her drawing, putting her strips online. Then fortuitously, she ran into a friend who worked for the Herald, and it wasn't long before she met with then-editor Joe Livernois, who liked the idea of featuring a local artist on the comic pages. Bang, zoom.

She has published a book of her work and spends many, many hours a week conceiving and drawing and writing new strips, plus pioneering new ways to expand her reach.

"One of the problems that comic strips have is that you have to say a lot in the least amount of words. And sometimes there's so much story that you want to get out but you can't fit it in there." So every couple of months she publishes a "zine" which are works of art that aren't limited to the meager space she has in the newspaper.

Bridgett is confident that she will never run out of ideas. "What cartoon striping is that you are translating real life into a comic strip. And so things will happen around you, and you have to always have your little feelers up. You use little bits and pieces that you hear. It's like writing, right? You find a snippet of something and you translate that into a character or a story. I don't think cartoonists are ever turned off; we never have an off moment, because something is always a story."

When she's not working, Bridgett loves sitting in cafes, people-watching, and she loves to doodle — of course she carries a sketch book wherever she goes — and she loves to bowl. She hopes someday to join a league.



Bridgett Spicer

Great Lives

By TONY SETON

was very into Star Wars and was always drawing these faraway places and that kept me busy" — and throughout her teen years. "I would draw cartoons and stuff. It was kind of therapy. All teenagers need therapy growing up, and that was mine."

At UCSC, she got a degree in fine art, though she didn't know what she would do with it. You might not expect it from seeing the characters in Squid Row, but she can extemporize on Picasso — she loved his work but not his character. "He was a genius

KILL

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p.m., someone notified Carmel P.D. of the carcass, and an officer went to check it out. After learning from another resident that the deer had been in one of the neighbor's backyards the previous day, the officer alerted the California Department of Fish & Game, but

the warden who responded could not determine what killed the deer, "other than that it was eaten by wildlife."

As a precaution, Carmel P.D. posted notices in the Mission Trail area "for the public to be aware and report any wildlife sightings, such as coyotes or mountain lions."

McIlrath has yet to glimpse one of the big cats, though he's seen what he's certain was a paw print from one, and he's exercising more caution, especially when letting his two little poodles out.

"We used to let our dogs run in the park," he said. "I don't do that anymore."

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EVENTS

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Lombardo, designer Claudio Ortiz and National Parking and Valet owner Steve Summers are involved as well.

Kern, a resident, said he attended many of the hearings about Mandurrago's proposed demolition of the building. The city deemed the structure "architecturally significant," and ultimately told him he couldn't.

"I was neither for nor against, but now that the decision has been made to save the building, we're trying to find an adaptive reuse," that would raise enough money to cover the costs of owning and operating it, he said. "We spent a lot of time talking to people in town, and one of the things that kept coming up was weddings being limited to 50 or 60 guests."

"We are not hosting events, we are renting the space to people who are hosting events," he explained, adding that clients would be required to use the center's valet services — which would be operated by Summers using the parking garage at the Carmel Plaza — and employ vendors that are licensed to do business in town.

The space, which would also be available to nonprofits for free once a month, would help support downtown businesses and draw more people to the area, according to Kern. "People come here from all over the world. If they want to have that special event during Concours, we don't have the space, at the present time, in town to do it."

Parade of backers

Jim Griffith, operations manager for the Plaza, said the proposal is "an excellent reuse of the facility," and he advised commissioners that more than half of the parking garage's 106 spaces are often open and would be available for valet parking.

Denny LeVett, owner of the Lamp Lighter, Forest Lodge, Cypress Inn and other hotel properties in town, said the proposed event center would be "ideal," as it's located downtown.

"I don't think I know of anywhere in Carmel other than La Playa that has the room," he said. "Please vote in favor."

His daughter, Amanda LeVett, said the hotels host about a dozen weddings a year but turn many more away due to space limitations.

A woman who works at Comerica Bank across the street said she initially worried about parking but was mollified after talking to Kern at an open house on the property Friday.

"Dolores between Seventh and Eighth is like a little ghost town," she said. "We need to get something in there that will help our town, and I think this is a good project."

Judie Profeta, owner of Forge in the Forest and a realtor, said the restaurant can handle up to 100 people for weddings, but no more.

"And as an agent, we often have events with our agents and families and have nowhere to go in town," she added.

Restaurateur Rich Pepe commented that he has seen the building across the street from his Little Napoli and Vino Napoli occupied by two banks and two furniture stores, with intermittent vacancies. He also sits on a committee created by the mayor to encourage events in town and said hosting gatherings there is a great solution.

"This is the perfect size," he said. "Sunset Center is too big, putting events on in the streets isn't going to happen anytime soon, and Devendorf Park has limitations."

Carmel Residents Association President Barbara Livingston agreed with Wiener's conclusion the proposal would need to undergo some review under the California Environmental Quality Act for "light, glare, noise, traffic and parking," she said. "And until those studies come in, you can't foresee what kind of impacts this use will have."

But, she said, "I love the idea of this building being used."

Lisa Bennett, representing the Hospice Foundation, said her nonprofit would be grateful to hold donor parties there, and Carmel High School parent Vicki Odello said Padre parents often have to go to Monterey to find space large enough.

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Mel B. Campbell

Mel B. Campbell, 105, passed away on 28 Dec at his home in Hilton Head, South Carolina. Mel was born and raised in northern California. He married his wife, Henrietta, in 1940. Mel worked 20 years for the Insurance Company of North America. In 1960, he took early retirement; he and Henrietta bought the Village Straw Shop on Lincoln St., and moved their family from San Carlos, CA to Carmel. Mel and Henrietta operated the Straw Shop for 28 years. Henrietta passed away in 1997. Mel joined the Carmel Rotary Club in 1963 and was an active, 'senior' active and honorary member until his passing. Mel served a term as president of the Carmel Business Association and was a member of the Carmel Art Association, 20-40 Club and Yes for Carmel. Mel is survived by his son Bruce of Bluffton, South Carolina, grandsons Chris and Jim, and four great grandchildren, Ryan, Korren, Kathleen and Evelyn. Donations in Mel's memory can be made to the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula.

Roger Leon Rust

Roger Leon Rust, 76 of Carmel, CA, passed away January 9, 2013.

He was born in Yosemite National Park on November 30, 1936. Roger graduated from Raymond High School in Raymond, CA in 1954.

In his early years he worked as an Auto mechanic. In 1978 Roger bought Bell Refrigeration. He retired in 2009. He had a passion for doing word searches and going on trips with Gamblers Express.

He is survived by his wife of 27 years, Barbara Rust, daughter Debra (Tom) Klotz, Step-daughters: Deborah Ikeda and Brenda (Douglas) Starr, 6 grandchildren: Jennifer Miller, Daniel Quinn, Dustin Starr, Michelle Starr, Ian Klotz, Patrick (Jessyca) Klotz, 1 great-grandchild, William Klotz and sister Helen Miller.

The family wishes to thank Dr. Hausdorff, Dr. Tamler and the staff at The Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula. Private services will be held at a later date.

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MUSIC

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21st centuries, Fain collaborates with Millepied, Black and others.

"It seems natural and spontaneous," Werdmuller added. "It's hard to tell they aren't playing live."

The event starts at 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$36 to \$51, with discounts available for active military and students with ID (\$15). Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. Call (831) 625-2212 or visit www.chambermusicmontereybay.org.

■ Five composers, one country

Showcasing a quintet of Italian composers, the **Philharmonia Baroque Orchestra** performs Sunday, Jan. 13, at Sunset Center.

Specializing in baroque, classical and early romantic music performed on original instruments, the orchestra was founded in San Francisco in 1981 by harpsichordist and early music pioneer Laurette Goldberg. Nominated for a Grammy award in 1991, it is one of the world's most acclaimed early music ensembles.

Led by conductor **Nicholas McGegan**, the orchestra will perform Arcangelo Corelli's Concerto Grosso Op. 6 No. 7 in D major; Antonio Vivaldi's *Le quattro stagioni* ("The Four Seasons"), Pietro Locatelli's Concerto Grosso Op. 7, No. 6, and Francesco Durante's Concerto No. 5 in A major.

The orchestra will be accompanied by violinist **Elizabeth Blumestock** when it performs Vivaldi's violin concertos.

Presented by the **Carmel Music Society**, Sunday's concert starts at 3 p.m. David Gordon will present a pre-concert talk at 2 p.m. Tickets range from \$48 to \$60 for adults. A limited number of tickets are available for full-time college students (\$10 with ID) and children (K-12 students get in for free if accompanied by an adult). Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. Call (831) 625-9938 or visit www.carmel-music.org.

■ Grad offers homecoming show

A 2003 graduate of Carmel High School, singer-songwriter **Aron Forbes** returns to his alma mater Friday, Jan. 11. The event takes place at Carmel High's Theater for the Performing Arts.

And he's bringing along not just one band he performs with, but two of them, **Magnolia Memoir** and **Aedio**. The former specializes in rock, while the latter focuses on jazz.

A native of Big Sur, Forbes started playing guitar at 5, and joined a blues band — **The Blue Tones** — when he was 11. After graduating from Carmel High, Forbes attended the University of Southern California's Thornton School of Music, graduating four years later. In addition to recording and touring with his two bands, he writes music for television and film.

Presented by the Carmel High Singer

Songwriter Guild, the concert begins at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10 for adults and \$6 for students, are available at the Carmel High ASB office. Carmel High is located at 3600 Highway 1.

■ Instrumental wizard back

Guitar virtuoso **Goh Kurosawa** returns Friday, Jan. 11, to Plaza Linda restaurant in Carmel Valley.

"Goh loves the area, he loves the food at Plaza Linda, but mostly, he loves how receptive the listeners are in this area," music promoter **Kiki Wow** said.

"They are particularly responsive and know they are receiving a private concert in a small, intimate room. There's a great energy here, and Goh's musical abilities are beyond impressive."

Friday's show starts at 7 p.m. and there's a \$10 cover.

The following evening — Saturday, Jan. 12 — the bluesy duo, **Dani and Jesse**, performs at Plaza Linda. The music begins at 5 p.m. and there's a \$10 cover.

Plaza Linda is located at 27 E. Carmel Valley Road. Call (831) 659-4229 or visit www.plazalinda.com.

■ Trio harmonizes at Ed's

Carmel Valley singer-songwriter **Janni Littlepage** will share the stage with Swedish musicians **Eva Hillered** and **Patrick Rydman** Sunday, Jan. 13, at Ed's Courtside Bistro at Chamisal Tennis & Fitness Club.

Performing under the banner of True North, the trio brings together folk, Americana, rock, jazz and country. The music is accompanied by guitars, a piano, a dulcimer and percussion.

"It's a great new live music venue we are breaking in with this superbly harmonizing trio of songwriters," said Wow, who is booking music at Ed's. "If you like the harmonies of Crosby, Stills and Nash, you will love True North."

The music begins at 3 p.m. and there's a \$15 cover. Ed's is located at 185 Robles Road off Laureles Grade. Call (831) 235-7662.

■ Rushad and friends play Lygia's Barn

A 1997 graduate of Carmel High School, cellist **Rushad Eggleston** and a quartet of acoustic instrumentalists perform Saturday, Jan. 12, at Lygia's Barn in Big Sur.

Joining Eggleston onstage will be songstress and fiddler **Lily Henley**, mandolin player **Dominick Leslie**, five-string fiddler **Duncan Wickel** and guitarist **Jordan Tice**. Together, they will play bluegrass, jazz, Celtic music and more.

Eggleston is the leader of **Tornado Rider**, an eclectic band that serves up a high-energy mix of pop, rock and punk.

Guests need to arrive in Sycamore Canyon by 4 p.m. for shuttles to the barn. For reservations or more information, send an email to lygiachappellet@gmail.com.

■ Youth Center presents open mic night

The Carmel Youth Center hosts a Teen Open Mic Night Friday, Jan. 11, for musicians, singers, bands, poets and comedians. The event will be staged monthly through the end of the school year.

The doors open at 6 p.m.; and performances — which are limited to seven minutes — begin at 6:40. Only the first 12 acts will qualify for prizes, which will be awarded for Best Solo Performance, Best Group Performance, Best Spoken Word Performance, Best Original Song and Best First-Time Performer. The highest score will receive a People's Choice Award. The audience will do the voting.

Space is limited. To reserve a spot, call (831) 624-3285. The youth center is located at Fourth and Torres.



Now you see them, now you don't: Violinist Tim Fain performs at Sunset Center Jan. 11 with numerous other musicians and performers who aren't live, but seem to be.



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ART

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gram at Rippling River in Carmel Valley is struggling to keep its doors open during challenging economic times. But if the program survives, it will have no shortage of students.

About a dozen residents who live in the low-income housing complex met this week to work on a variety of creative projects, ranging from painting and ceramics, to mask-making and printmaking. For the residents, who are all seniors or disabled, the program brings much joy and satisfaction.

"It's a way to bring people out of their apartments and build friendships," resident **Helaine Clark** explained. "It's a great way for people to connect with one another."

The program also gives the residents an opportunity to feel productive.

"This class is so important," resident

4834 or visit www.friendsofripplingriver.org.

■ Sunset's bountiful harvest

In an exhibit opening Friday, Jan. 11, at Sunset Center's Marjorie Evans Gallery, Carmel Valley watercolorist **Rolf Lygren** looks at the fine art of agriculture in Monterey County.

Many of Lygren's paintings capture field workers harvesting crops.

Despite the hard work they do, "when I go out the fields, I see them smiling with one another and enjoying the life around them," said Lygren, who has lived in Carmel Valley since 1987.

Other images in the show depict the tools and implements of farming — often years after they were considered useful.

"I've gone around to working farms and looked for objects that don't get a lot of use these days but once served as important

amazing."

Ward's prints depict local landmarks such as Carmel Mission and Pebble Beach's Lone Cypress, and cityscapes from Venice, Italy. His work is influenced by the late Armin Hansen, a local resident who played a key role in reviving etching in the first half of the 20th century.

"Although the techniques and materials have changed greatly in the modern era, I've continued to use the same basic tools and methods utilized for well over 300 years," Ward said. "The majority of my etchings are a record of the Monterey Peninsula, where I have spent the majority of my life wandering the hills, beaches and back roads in search of artistic inspiration."

The gallery is located at 2 Chambers Lane, just behind Will's Fargo steakhouse. Call (831) 659-2441 or visit www.carmelvalleyartassociation.org.

■ 49 photos, three winners

The Center for Photographic Art unveils its 2013 Juried Exhibition, Saturday, Jan. 12.

The display will showcase 49 photographs chosen from 1,000 that were submitted.

Many of the images were created by local photographers, including **Patricia Addleman, Martha Casanave, Susan Hyde Greene, Michelle Magdalena Maddox, Robertson Parkman, Jody Royce, Jack Wasserbach** and **Cara Weston**.

This year's winning images will be selected by jurors **Dean Brierly** and **Chris Johnson**. Brierly is editor of B&W magazine, while Johnson is a fine art photographer and educator who once studied with Ansel Adams, Imogen Cunningham and Wynn Bullock.

Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place — and the winners will be announced Saturday afternoon. The exhibit will be on display through March 2.

A reception, which will feature an

authentic Scandinavian smorgasbord provided by Fjorn-by-the-Sea, a new shop in downtown Carmel, and Nielsen Bros. Market, begins at 4 p.m.

The gallery is located in Sunset Center at San Carlos and Ninth.

Call (831) 625-5181 or visit www.photography.org.

■ A passion for the river

Carmel Valley artist **Paola Berthoin** will sign copies of and talk about "Passion for Place," a new book about the Carmel River that she helped illustrate, Saturday, Jan. 12, at the Pacific Grove Art Center.

"Wherever we live, sharing our stories of our connection to rivers and land connects us to each other and remind us of what is important in our lives," Berthoin said. "We are reminded of the beauty, wonder, spirit and mystery of the natural world."

Starting where the Carmel River spills into the sea, Berthoin began painting the river in 2005. "It's a pretty powerful spot," she said of the river's final destination near Carmel Point. "It's always changing. You can go there today, and it will be different tomorrow."

As the years passed, Berthoin began to explore upriver — with her feet and with her paintbrush. Then, one summer day in 2009, when the river was particularly low, Berthoin felt a sense of urgency and decided it was time to start working on "Passion for Place." "I decided this book has to happen," she added.

An exhibit of Berthoin's work is on display at the art center through Feb. 14.

The event starts at 1 p.m. and is free. The art center is located at 568 Lighthouse Ave. Call (831) 375-2208 or visit www.pgartcenter.org.

She will also discuss the book at the Pilgrim's Way bookshop on Dolores between Fifth and Sixth in downtown Carmel Jan. 30 at 6 p.m.



Residents of the Rippling River low-income housing complex in Carmel Valley participate in an art class. The program needs a new source of funding and a new teacher.

Lydia Gonzalez added. "It makes us feel like we've accomplished something."

The classes take place in a room at Rippling River that's dedicated to arts and crafts. The room features a kiln, a pottery wheel, and a bounty of arts and craft supplies.

Ideally, funding would be available for an art teacher to come and work with residents two days a week for six hours a day. There's enough money available for about half those hours. The funds come from a variety of sources, including the Kiwanis Club, the Yellow Brick Road Benefit Shop, the Community Foundation, and other local charities. A local auxiliary group, Friends of Rippling River and the Upjohn California Fund are currently providing money to pay for an art teacher.

In addition to funding issues, the program is also in need of a new art teacher. The last teacher recently moved out of the area.

If funding does become available — and a new teacher is found — resident **Carolyn Metcalf** is confident the money will be put to good use. "If there's a class, people will come out for it," she added. Call (831) 659-

function, like old wash basins and old gates," explained Lygren, who graduated from UC Santa Cruz as an art major. "I look at them and I see the history behind them. People laughed and cried around them. I can feel it."

Lygren credits two local artists who are no longer living — Donald Teague and Sam Colburn — with influencing his approach to painting.

The gallery will host a reception at 5 p.m. The exhibit will be on display through the end of the month. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. Visit www.rolflygren.com.

■ Old world technique, new century

Artist and printmaker **Justin Ward** will demonstrate his etching technique Saturday, Jan. 12, at the Carmel Valley Art Association. He's bringing along his printing press as well.

"It's a technique the old masters used, and he's brought it into the 21st century," explained **Shelley Aliotti**, the director of the Carmel Valley Village gallery. "His work is

Robert (Bob) Seger



Robert (Bob) Seger made his transition on January 1st at Odyssey House in Palm Desert, where he spent his last days. He lived into his 80's and we are grateful for that.

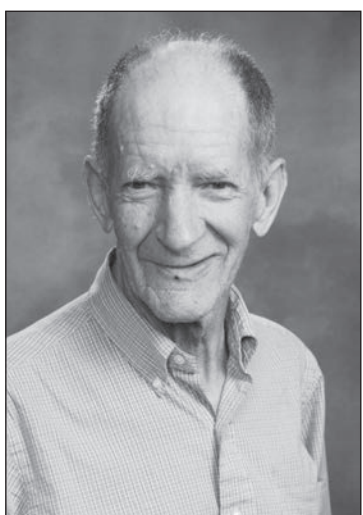
He had lived at Mirage Inn for two years in the Memory care unit. He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Rita, and his first wife, of many years, Beverly. Bob and Beverly had 4 children, Kip (deceased) Robin (Patrick), Kelly (Leila) and Alicia (Ed). There are 4 grandchildren and one great granddaughter. Also many members of the Seger family are survived.

Rita has 3 children, Wendy, (Jeff) Terri (Steve) and Eric (Ziona), along with 7 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. They were blessed to have Bob in their life for those 38 years.

Bob was born in Detroit, and graduated from Redford High. He then joined the Navy in World War 11. After his service was over he attended Hillsdale College and University of Michigan where he graduated as an architect. He worked for General Motors and others before Rita and Bob decided to move to Carmel California in Jan. of 1979. When they arrived many people who lived there warned them that it was very difficult to make a living there. However, Bob opened the first custom cabinet showroom called Seger's Kitchens and Baths, and along with Rita, an interior designer, they remodeled 7 homes and built 2.

Bob and Rita were very fortunate to travel quite extensively and live in Carmel for 23 years. In 2002, after retirement, they chose to live in the desert where they had visited many winters. They then moved to an active senior development, Villa Portofino in Palm Desert. Bob will be remembered for his sense of humor and his easy going personality. He loved tennis and was so proud of the fact that he could play singles in his 70's. For many years he played tennis at Pebble Beach Tennis Club and then Mission Hills Country Club., in the desert.

He loved his dog Magic and any donation to any dog facility would be what he would have wanted. He will be missed but the love for him will remain in our hearts forever.



Richard Lawrence

A lifetime member of our Carmel community died peacefully December 24th, Christmas Eve.

He spent his life in our town visiting coffee shops, and the Carmel Foundation sharing stories and always offering a helpful hand in tidying up. For the last several years of his life he was a member of the Carmel Presbyterian family. He was dearly loved and will be missed.

A Memorial service will be held in his honor Thursday, January 17th at 5:30 p.m. Please come. Located on the southeast corner of Junipero and Ocean Ave across from the plaza.

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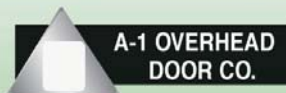
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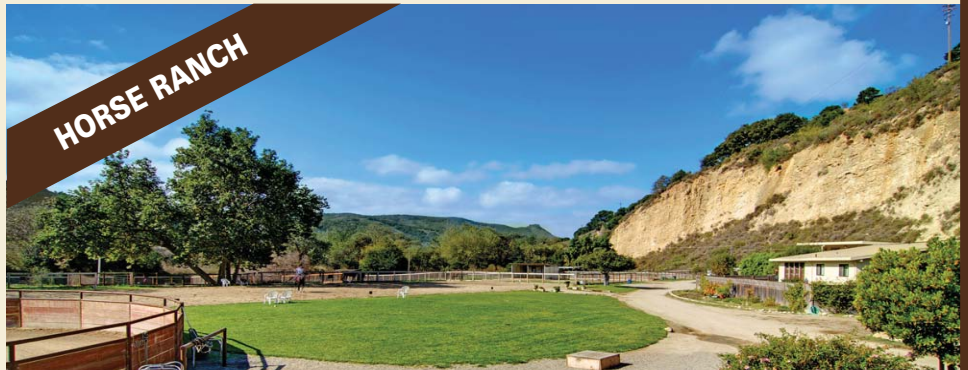
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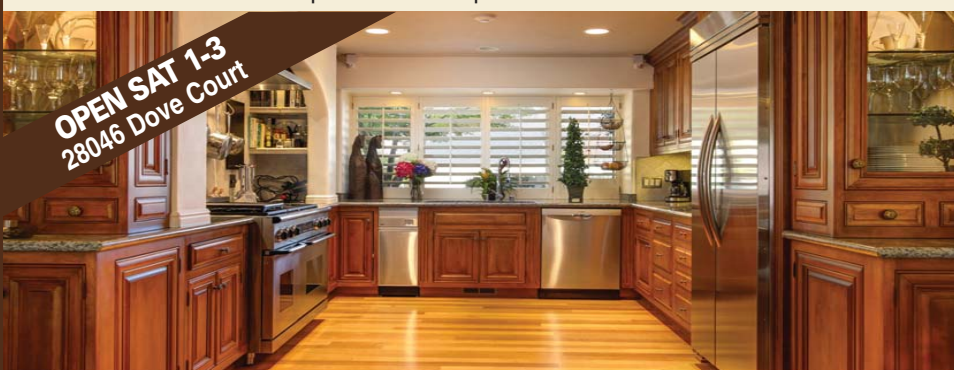
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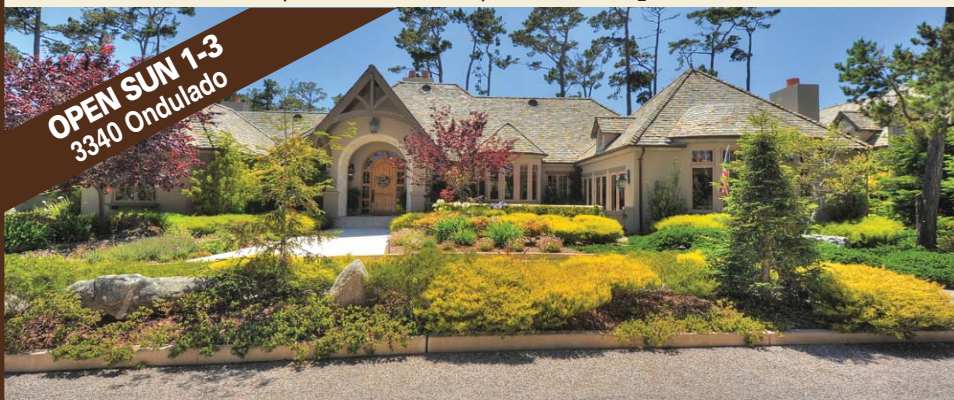
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Pacific Grove: Observed five to six subjects in a park raising their voices while standing next to a wheelchair. They fled down a steep, muddy hillside when officer shined a spotlight on them. Checked the recreation trail, and the subjects scattered. One subject was contacted by an officer and arrested for public intoxication. No identifying marks on the wheelchair or leads as to where it came from. Wheelchair placed in property for safekeeping.

Carmel Valley: A Carmel Valley Resident reported an argument with her estranged husband. Both parties were contacted and counseled. Case closed.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Man walked into CPD to report a past-tense verbal dispute with two of his brothers on Dolores Street. He stated one of his brothers pushed him and got in his face. He requested no prosecution against his brother and only wanted the incident documented.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Carmelo Street resident was concerned for her neighbor's cat who she believed may have an infection. She was advised to contact the neighbor who owns the cat.

Pacific Grove: Man refused to pay \$300 cab fare. He resisted arrest and attempted to assault officers during arrest on Central Avenue. Subject, a 43-year-old male, was tased and subdued. He was transported to CHOMP for medical clearance. He was then transported to Monterey County Jail for lodging.

Pacific Grove: Report of burglary and unlawful entry to commercial business on Forest Lodge Road. Investigation ongoing.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officer observed a vehicle driving recklessly on Ocean Avenue while apparently chasing another vehicle. Conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle, and the vehicle being followed was stopped also. As the officer contacted the driver, she was upset and crying. She stated she was chasing her boyfriend because they had an argument in

Monterey. Driver stated the argument was verbal only and not physical. Contacted the boyfriend, and he stated he was trying to avoid an argument with his girlfriend, but she was following him. The boyfriend stated the dispute was verbal only. Both subjects were counseled.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: CPD units responded to a domestic disturbance at a hotel on Junipero. The parties were contacted, and it was deemed a verbal dispute only. Both parties were counseled regarding the applicable California domestic violence laws.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman came to the station to report losing her ATM card and \$20 in cash while walking on Carmel Beach. She said she thought the items may have fallen out of her pocket but wasn't sure. She said she canceled the ATM card but wanted to report the incident in case the items were found and turned in. She said she would contact CPD if she found the items.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic collision on Ocean Avenue caused injury.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle towed from San Carlos Street.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Accident on private property on Mission Street. Vehicle was drivable.

Pacific Grove: Responded to a report of a domestic disturbance on 13th Street. Resident stated that her live-in boyfriend had been verbally abusive to her, calling her stupid and threatening to get custody of their unborn child. She is seven months pregnant. The two have been dating for two years. She denied there having been any physical abuse. She just wanted the incident documented. The male half stated that they argued over money and that he did not want her to move to Arizona with their child. Both agreed to go to sleep and try and sort their differences out later.

Pebble Beach: Five juveniles vandalized greens on the Pebble Beach golf course. They also stole items from the course, but the items were later found in the backyard of one of the juveniles.

Pacific Grove: Husband left voicemail messages and made attempts to contact wife after being told to stop. She believes he is delusional. Welfare check done on husband on Funston. Unfounded.

Pacific Grove: Ninth Street resident's computer was overtaken by a virus claiming to be DOJ and requesting \$300 to unlock his system. He also stated his credit card fraud may be linked to a recent PGPD case involving identity theft from a local gas station.

Pacific Grove: Theft of sign from property on Pacific Grove Lane. No suspect information.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle struck animal on

Forest Avenue. Minor injuries; driver refused medical.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Dog was found wandering in the street near the Garden Court Inn on Third Avenue. The dog was brought to the station by an employee of the hotel. The dog owner was located and came to the station, and kennel fees were collected. The dog was returned to the owner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: At the request of corporal, an officer went to a Santa Fe Street residence to serve a DMV 310 form (DMV suspension form). The form was delivered and signed by the subject. A copy of the form was mailed to the DMV. No further action.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of theft of items from a purse while on the beach.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Units responded to the report of a female subject who locked herself in the bathroom of a restaurant on San Carlos Street and refused to exit. Upon arrival, units met with the husband of the female who related she suffers from the early stages of dementia. Husband said this has happened on several other occasions. Restaurant manager provided permission to force entry into bathroom.

Pacific Grove: Theft from a Country Club Gate residence with suspect information. Suspect is transient and was not located during search.

Pacific Grove: Nineteenth Street resident found mold in her home. She hired a mold specialist to eliminate it. She believed the contrac-

tor was a con artist and had several business names. She has hired a mediation company regarding his services and her payments to him. Resident wanted the P.D. advised in case there was something to be done criminally. Resident also advised that the city was currently attempting to contact the subject regarding his business license renewal. Resident was advised to contact the BBB and report the lack of services and issue with the contractor. Matter is civil, info only at this time.

Pacific Grove: Seventeenth Street reported clothing items and various miscellaneous items have been taken from her home throughout the past month. No signs of forced entry.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person called to report finding a dog wandering in the roadway on Carmelo Street. Resident said the dog was friendly; however, it did not have a collar or tag. The dog was retrieved and housed at Carmel P.D. The owner was located via a pet chip. The dog was released to the owner, and kennel fees were paid. No further action.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A citizen reported a dead deer that appeared to have been eaten by wildlife. Officer responded and located the carcass and checked the area. A resident in the area stated that it was in the neighboring area the previous day. Contacted fish and game, which responded. It could not be determined how or what killed the deer, other than that it

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OPEN SATURDAY & SUNDAY 2-4



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3109 Sloat Road | Pebble Beach
Contemporary 3BR/2.5BA home set amongst redwoods with 3 fireplaces, golf garage & main level master. \$2,148,000
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7080 Valley Greens Circle | Carmel Valley
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Carmel Valley
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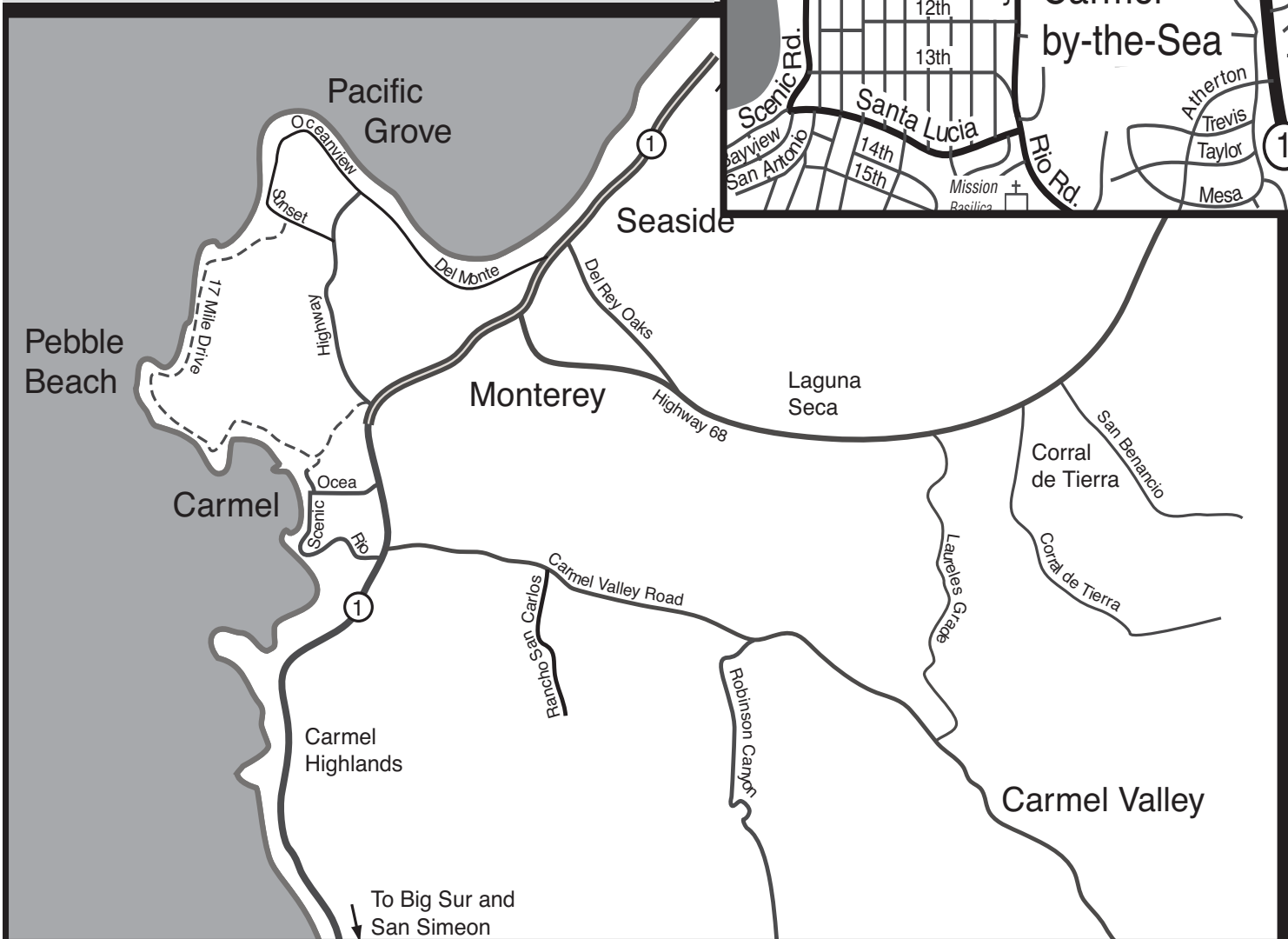
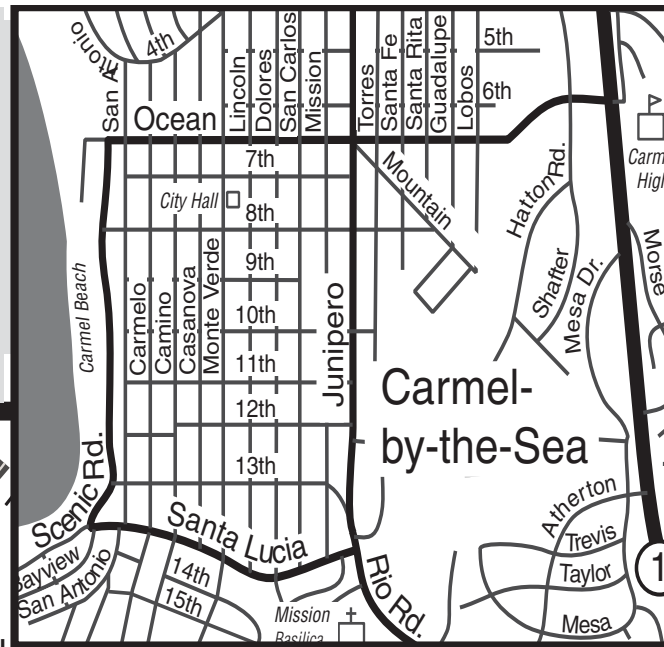
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\$498,000	1bd 1ba	Sa 11:30-1:30
Mission & 3rd, #2D Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$525,000	2bd 2ba	Su 2-4
271 Del Mesa Carmel Carmel Keller Williams Realty 595-2060		
\$608,000	2bd 2ba	Su 12-2
284 Del Mesa Carmel Carmel Keller Williams Realty 595-2060		
\$639,000	2bd 3ba	Sa 1-4 Su 2-4
3850 Rio Road #9 Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$728,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 2:30-4:30 Su 1-4:30
25717 Flanders Place Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$765,000	2bd 2ba	Sa Su 11-2
9582 Redwood Ct Carmel Keller Williams Realty 601-8424		
\$875,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 2-4
Carpenter 2 NW of 3rd Street Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$895,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 12-2
25045 Monterey Street Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$899,000	2bd 1ba	Sa 1-4
Guadalupe 2 SW of 4th Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$949,000	2bd 2.5ba	Sa 1:30-3:30
Santa Rita & 2ne SE Corner Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2221		
\$949,000	2bd 2.5ba	Su 1:30-3:30
Santa Rita & 2ne SE Corner Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2221		
\$985,000	2bd 2ba	Su 1-3:30
24833 Santa Fe Street Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2221		
\$995,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 2-4
24832 Lobos Street Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$995,000	2bd 2ba	Su 2-4
24832 Lobos Street Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$1,075,000	3bd 2ba	Sa Su 12:30-3:30
Dolores 3 NW of 4th Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$1,095,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 2-4
24523 Castro Lane Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$1,095,000	3bd 2ba	Su 2-4
24523 Castro Lane Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$1,099,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
San Carlos 7 NE of Santa Lucia Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2221		
\$1,149,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 1-3
SANTA RITA & 4TH NW CORNER Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2224		
\$1,150,000	4bd 3ba	Sa 12-2
24773 Upper Trail (Rain Cancels) Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 224-2198		
\$1,150,000	4bd 3ba	Su 1-3
24773 Upper Trail (Rain Cancels) Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 596-4647		
\$1,159,000	2bd 2.5ba	Sa 1:30-3:30
24428 SAN MATEO AVENUE Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$1,179,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 12-2
CASANOVA 4 SE OF 12TH Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$1,179,000	2bd 2ba	Su 12-2
CASANOVA 4 SE OF 12TH Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$1,280,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 1-3 Su 12-4
Torres 4 SE 8th Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$1,295,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-3
24834 GUADALUPE STREET Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$1,375,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 2-4
24730 Cabrillo St Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 236-4513		
\$1,375,000	3bd 2ba	Su 2-4
24730 Cabrillo St Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 236-4513		

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\$1,995,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 2-4
2962 Cuesta Wy Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 236-7251		
\$1,995,000	3bd 3ba	Su 2-5
Guadalupe 5 SE 7th Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$2,198,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 11-12:30 Sa Su 1-4
SE Corner Camino Real & 9th Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$2,250,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 2-4
7 NE Camino Real Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 236-0814		
\$2,295,000	4bd 2ba	Fr 1-3 Sa 10-12:30
2 NW Camino Real & Ocean Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		

\$3,295,000	4bd 4ba	Su 1-3
2478 17th Avenue Carmel Carmel Realty Co. 224-6353		
\$3,695,000	4bd 4.5ba	Sa 1:30-3:30
26290 Valley View Avenue Carmel Carmel Realty Co. 521-4855		
\$3,695,000	4bd 3ba	Fr 2-4 Sa 1-4
Camino Real 4 NE 8th Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$3,695,000	4bd 3ba	Su 1:30-4:30
Camino Real 4 NE 8th Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$3,995,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-3
Casanova & 12th NE Corner Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$6,299,000	5bd 4ba	Sa Su 1-4
2705 Ribera Road Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		

\$569,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 10-12
136 El Hemorro Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$569,000	2bd 2ba	Su 11-1
136 El Hemorro Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$695,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
336 El Caminito Road (Rain Cancels) Carmel Valley Carmel Realty Co. 236-8571		
\$749,000	4bd 2ba	Su 12-2
10 Paso Del Rio Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 236-7251		
\$755,000	2bd 3ba	Su 1-3
9926 Club Place Carmel Valley San Carlos Agency, Inc. 624-3846		
\$869,000	3bd 3ba	Su 2-4
7066 Valley Greens Circle Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 238-7034		
\$899,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 12-3
60 Encina Dr. Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 917-2892		
\$999,000	4bd 3ba	Sa 2-4
7068 Fairway Place Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$999,000	4bd 3ba	Sa 2-4
7068 FAIRWAY PLACE Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$1,099,000	3bd 4ba	Sa 1-3
28042 Dove Court Carmel Valley Carmel Realty Co. 595-0535		
\$1,265,000	3bd 3.5ba	Sa 1-3
28046 Dove Court Carmel Valley Carmel Realty Co. 595-4887		
\$1,298,000	4bd 2.5ba	Sa 12-3
7080 Valley Greens Circle Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 915-6929		
\$1,298,000	4bd 2.5ba	Su 12-3
7080 Valley Greens Circle Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 915-6929		
\$1,550,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-3
320 El Caminito Road Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$1,550,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-3
320 El Caminito Road Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$1,595,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
8025 River Place Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$1,595,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-3
8025 River Place Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		



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\$1,195,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-3
96 Oak Way Carmel Highlands Sotheby's Int'l RE 521-8045		
\$1,395,000	5bd 4ba	Sa 1-3
180 Mal Paso Rd Carmel Highlands Sotheby's Int'l RE 236-5389		
\$1,585,000	2bd 2.5ba	Su 1-4
87 Yankee Point Drive Carmel Highlands Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$2,995,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-4
111 Yankee Point Drive Carmel Highlands Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$2,995,000	4bd 3ba	Fr 2-4
46 Yankee Pt. Carmel Highlands Sotheby's Int'l RE 238-6152		
\$2,995,000	4bd 3ba	Sa 1-4
46 Yankee Pt. (Rain Cancels) Carmel Highlands Sotheby's Int'l RE 238-6152		
\$2,995,000	4bd 3ba	Su 1-4
46 Yankee Pt. (Rain Cancels) Carmel Highlands Sotheby's Int'l RE 238-6152		
\$2,995,000	3bd 3.5ba	Sa Su 2-4
62 Yankee Point Drive Carmel Highlands Sotheby's Int'l RE 809-6636		
\$4,250,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 2-4
72 Yankee Point Carmel Highlands Sotheby's Int'l RE 236-2400		
\$4,250,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 2-4
72 Yankee Point Carmel Highlands Sotheby's Int'l RE 236-2400		
\$5,995,000	4bd 4ba	Sa 1-4
106 Yankee Point Dr (Rain Cancels) Carmel Highlands Sotheby's Int'l RE 238-6152		
\$5,995,000	4bd 4ba	Su 1-4
106 Yankee Point Dr (Rain Cancels) Carmel Highlands Sotheby's Int'l RE 238-6152		

CARMEL VALLEY

\$335,000	2bd 2ba	Su 1-3:30
146 Hacienda Carmel Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$440,000	2bd 2ba	Su 1-4
252 Del Mesa Carmel Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$465,000	2bd 2ba	Su 11:30-1:30
240 Del Mesa Carmel Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$549,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 2:30-4
137 E. Carmel Valley Road Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 905-5158		

DEL REY OAKS

\$309,000	2bd 2ba	Su 1-4
410 Pheasant Ridge Rd. Del Rey Oaks Sotheby's Int'l RE 420-8000		
\$575,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 12-4
1073 PALOMA Del Rey Oaks Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		

MONTEREY

\$275,000	2bd 1ba	Su 12-2
820 Casanova Avenue # 54 Monterey The Jones Group 236-7780		
\$430,000	2bd 1ba	Sa 1-3
1246 Prescott Avenue Monterey The Jones Group 277-8217		
\$619,000	4bd 2ba	Sa Su 1-3
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OPEN SATURDAY 12-4
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Pebble Beach Charming Single Level Hacienda sited on 1 acre
4 Bedrooms – 4.5 Baths | \$1,900,000

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Carmel English Country Charm in heart of Carmel
2 Bedrooms – 2 Baths | Reduced to \$1,325,000



Carmel "Sea La Vie" Carmel living as you would imagine it.
2 Bedrooms – 2 Baths | \$1,249,000

Monterey Sunny & Quiet Deer Flats Central location to Peninsula
5 Bedrooms – 3 Baths | \$1,187,500

Carmel Valley Exquisitely updated Townhome – Private end unit
4 Bedrooms – 3.5 Baths | \$1,168,000



OPEN SAT & SUN 12:30-3:30
Dolores 3NW of 4th



OPEN SAT 1-4 & SUN 2-4
3850 Rio Road #9

Carmel Main House, Guest House plus Studio
3 Bedrooms – 2 Baths | \$1,075,000

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\$649,000 bd 1.5ba Sa 1-3 Su 12-2
25 Wyndemere Way (Rain Cancels) Monterey
Sotheby's Int'l RE 915-1239

MONTEREY/SALINAS HIGHWAY

\$815,000 3bd 3ba Su 1:30-4
25607 Creekvine Circle Mtry/Slns Hwy
Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222

PACIFIC GROVE

\$299,000 2bd 2ba Sa 1-3
700 Briggs Avenue # 71 Pacific Grove
The Jones Group 236-7780

\$672,000 3bd 2.5ba Sa 1-3
207 14TH STREET Pacific Grove
Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222

PASADERA

\$1,295,000 3bd 3ba Sa 1-4
110 Las Brisas Drive Pasadera
Sotheby's Int'l RE 277-3838

PEBBLE BEACH

\$549,000 2bd 2ba Su 1:30-4
35 Ocean Pines Lane Pebble Beach
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\$5,498,000 6bd 5.2ba Su 1-3
2817 17-Mile Drive Pebble Beach
Sotheby's Int'l RE 236-5389

SALINAS

\$948,500 5bd 4ba Sa 2-4
6 Mesa del Sol Salinas
The Jacobs Team 236-7976

SEASIDE

\$315,000 2bd 1ba Su 10-2
1985 Luxton Street Seaside
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SPRECKELS

\$560,000 4bd 3ba Sa 1-3
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. M121293. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner, JENNIFER LEIGH BALESTERI, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: A. Present name: JENNIFER LEIGH BALESTERI Proposed name: JENNIFER LEIGH CARLQUIST 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.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20130037. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: RUMBLE SEA MUSIC CARMEL BY THE SEA, Dolores Street, Between 7th & 8th, Carmel By The Sea, CA 93921, Monterey County. MPM MUSIC LLC, Dolores Street, Between 7th & 8th, Carmel By The Sea, CA 93921. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: N/A. (s) Eliot Michael, LLC Member. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 7, 2013. Publication dates: Jan. 11, 18, 25, Feb.

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CALLS

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was eaten by wildlife. Officer posted notices in the Mission Trail area for the public to be aware and report any wildlife sightings such as coyotes or mountain lions.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 60-year-old male driver was arrested on Mission Street for DUI and lodged at the county jail.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subsequent to a traffic stop on Junipero Street, the suspect consented to a vehicle search and was determined to be in possession of a controlled substance for sales. Suspect, a 40-year-old male, was arrested and booked into county jail.

Pacific Grove: David Avenue resident reported hearing someone outside her residence. On arrival, officers saw a set of wet footprints leading into the garage. An area check for an intruder was met with negative results. No items were taken or otherwise disturbed. The resident advised that someone tried to open the front door, but it was locked. The resident was advised to keep the doors locked and call 911 if she needs further assistance from the P.D.

Pacific Grove: Possible abuse of children on Grove Acre.

Inconclusive due to insufficient evidence of abuse.

Pacific Grove: Neighbor reported a fire alarm going off at a Congress Avenue residence. Steam on windows. Owner arrived to let firemen in and remembered a pot left on the stove. No damage.

Carmel area: An unknown suspect prowled around the outside of a house.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of DUI alcohol/drugs on Ocean Avenue.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 20-year-old male was booked at Ocean and Hatton.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A citizen requested a civil standby while collecting property at a residence on Torres Street.

Pacific Grove: Subject stole a six-pack from a business at Country Club Gate. Employees attempted to stop suspect. While employee stood behind vehicle with hands on the tailgate, the suspect reversed the vehicle and left.

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SHERIFF

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ing return to owner. Owner located; dog returned to owner after kennel fees paid.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Conducted a traffic stop on San Carlos Street for a CVC violation. Upon contacting the driver, the strong odor of marijuana was smelled coming from inside the vehicle. A vehicle search yielded 1.24 grams of marijuana. The driver admitted the marijuana was hers. The driver was cited, and the marijuana was photographed, weighed and placed into CPD evidence.

Pacific Grove: Driver contacted during a traffic stop on David Avenue and found to have a suspended driver's license. The 23-year-old male driver was arrested, booked at PGPD and released on a cite.

Pacific Grove: Thirteenth Street resident reported her live-in boyfriend took her cell phone with him to work. Boyfriend later returned cell phone to her. She thought the boyfriend took the phone to get attention from her. She wanted incident documented.

Carmel Valley: Monterey County Sheriff's Search and Rescue Team responded to a report of five Fresno-area men, all about 20 years old, lost in the snow in the area of Pine Ridge on the Pine Ridge trail in the Ventana Wilderness out of China camp (Tassajara Road). The men had gone hiking on Friday and were ill equipped for the snow conditions they encountered. They lost their way and ended up in the area of Cienega Camp. Two of the men went up to the Pine Ridge area, where they were able to get cell coverage, and called for rescue. The sheriff's search and rescue team responded and coordinated with CHP helicopter H-70, which hoisted the men out of the back country. All five men were suffering from the cold but were

uninjured. They were returned to their vehicle and drove themselves out of the area.

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: A vehicle was stopped on Scenic Road for displaying a defective windshield. The driver, a 22-year-old male, was found to have an expired license, and the vehicle was displaying false tabs. The driver was cited and the vehicle was towed.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: An anonymous citizen requested a welfare check on an elderly female observed to be leaning against the wall of a local business on Lincoln Street.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Man stated he was attempting to park his vehicle when he suddenly bumped into a parked vehicle on Sixth Avenue. The owner of the other vehicle approached, yelling at him and challenging him to fight. He stated he apologized and provided his insurance information. He stated the subject was very upset and would not stop yelling at him. He requested no further action and wanted the incident documented.

Pacific Grove: Officer contacted Monterey County Probation regarding ongoing dispatches to a Sunset Drive residence based on reports of trespassing by a probationer. The probation supervisor indicated the suspect is arrestable for probation violation. As requested, the officer faxed copies of reports and documentation of dispatched calls regarding this matter. Information only.

Pacific Grove: Driver came to the station to report a hit-and-run on Grand Avenue. He provided vehicle information for the driver, who was later contacted by phone.

Pacific Grove: Caregiver reported a 90-year-old female was found deceased inside her bedroom.

Pacific Grove: Strong-arm robbery occurred at a credit union on Fountain Avenue.



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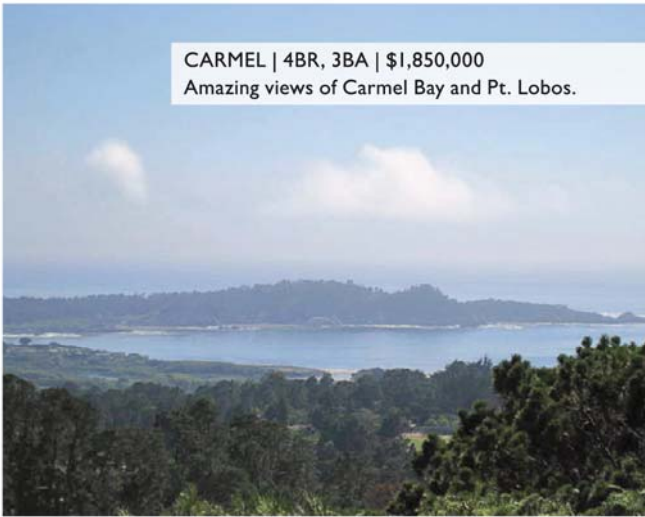


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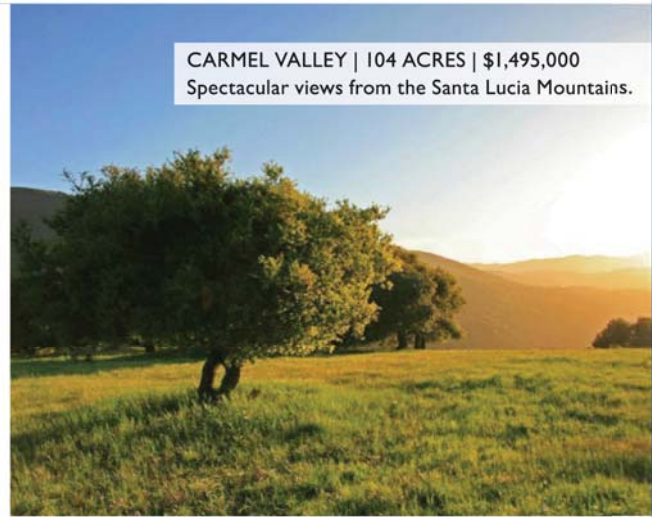
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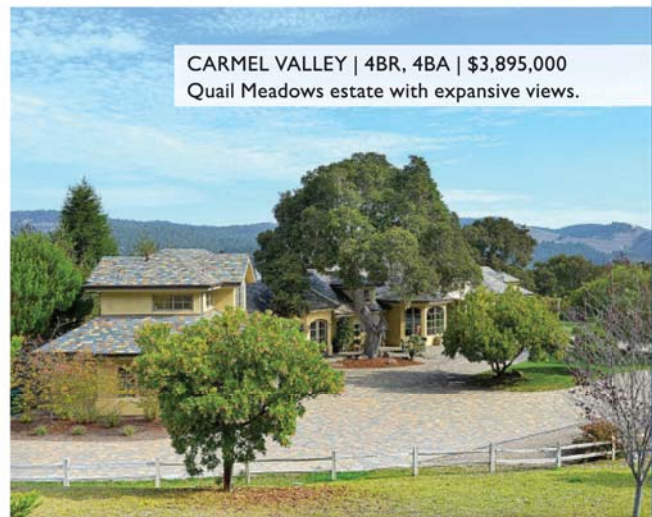
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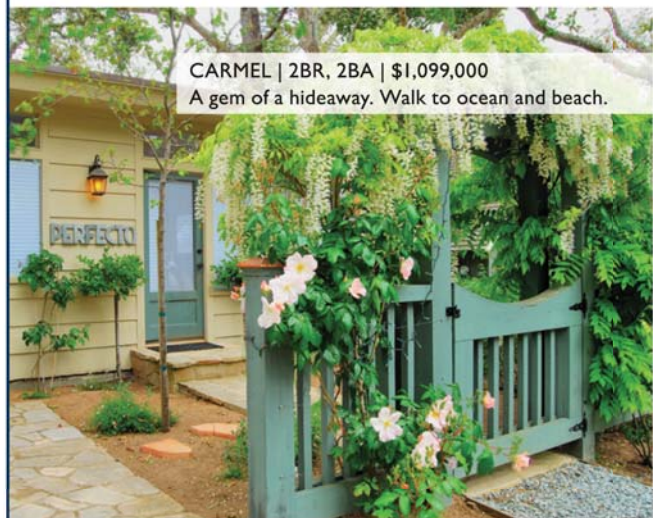
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