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## County planners say dog park shouldn't need EIR

By CHRIS COUNTS

IF THE owners of the proposed Carmel Canine Sports Center in Carmel Valley were required to pay for an environmental impact report, it would represent a major hurdle for them, both in money and time.

But the Monterey County Planning Department last week issued a determination that the pricey study should not be required for the dog training facility, which its owners — Ken Ecklund, Ernie Mill and Monterey County Planning Commissioner Martha Diehl — want to build on 45 acres at 8100 Valley Greens Dr.

While the project has raised a ruckus, John Ford, a management analyst for the Monterey County Planning Department, said that's not enough to trigger the need for a full-blown EIR.

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## Veterans cemetery hits initial fundraising goal

By KELLY NIX

THE AMBITIOUS fundraising goal set three months ago to pay for the first phase of the proposed \$25 million Central Coast Veterans Cemetery at Fort Ord has been met, according to Carmel Mayor Jason Burnett.

Burnett told The Pine Cone this week that the entire \$9,414,000 necessary to build the first part of the cemetery, which includes its entrance and 5,000 niches in a columbaria, has been raised. More than \$600,000 has been donated by Peninsula residents since October, he said.

"The fundraising has been quite successful," said Burnett, who was instrumental in organizing the cemetery funding campaign.

A big portion of the funding was raised recently. Last week, the Pebble Beach Co. Foundation donated \$50,000 to the fund while the company gave \$20,000. And Pebble Beach

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## Rodrigue mourned by fans, but by friends most of all

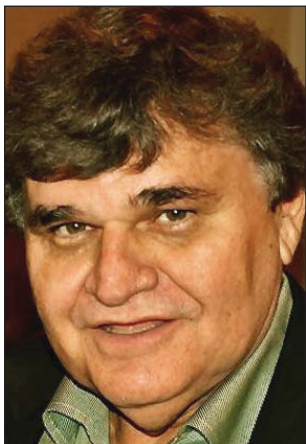
By NEIL SHAPIRO

THE HISTORIC St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans' French Quarter was filled to capacity as I entered it last Thursday, part of a slow procession solemnly following the casket of our friend George Rodrigue. Like the hundreds seated to our right, and the hundreds more to our left, we had assembled to bid farewell to someone who had touched our lives in so many significant ways.

The service was a traditional Catholic mass, followed by comments from such dignitaries as the current and former governors of Louisiana and the mayor of New Orleans, as well as the reading of letters from both Presidents Bush. Myles Williams of Carmel Valley sang a stunning rendition of "The Impossible Dream" that fairly echoed through the Cathedral and wrung more tears from eyes already flowing. Through it all, the reality that George is gone seemed, and still seems, incredibly surreal.

The following day brought the burial service in New

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George Rodrigue

## Burned out residents start to clean up and rebuild

### Rescued kitty offers ray of hope

By CHRIS COUNTS

WITH THE fire out, residents of Big Sur's Pfeiffer Ridge are adding up the damage and getting the recovery under way. And a lot more of them have major losses to deal with than was previously believed. Fire officials announced Sunday that 34 homes were destroyed as the blaze swept through the area in the early morning hours of Dec. 16, eventually consuming more than 900 acres.

One of the victims was Big Sur Volunteer Fire Brigade



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The intensity of the Pfeiffer Fire is dramatically illustrated in this Facebook photo taken by an unidentified local resident.

Chief Martha Karstens, whose house on Pfeiffer Ridge Road burned.

On Monday, with Christmas just two days away, she certainly deserved a little holiday cheer, and got it when her caretaker's missing cat, Ponchito, was found in the scorched landscape of Pfeiffer Ridge.

"They found the poor kitty," Karstens told The Pine Cone. "His whiskers were burned off, but he was okay."

Ponchito probably ran for his life when the fire started Dec. 15, and firefighters were keeping a watchful eye out for the black and white feline as they mopped up after the blaze was contained. On three occasions, they put out food for him, and the third time he meowed and trotted out from burned landscape.

Karstens said other cats in the neighborhood perished in the fire, and so did his family's home, and she called Ponchito's return to safety "a little ray of sunshine."

"Everybody was so worried about him," she said.

Like so many of her neighbors, Karstens is now beginning the long road back to recovery. For someone who's dedicated much of her life to helping people, she now finds herself on the receiving end. "It's very humbling," admitted Karstens, who is temporarily staying in a room the Ventana Inn has offered her. "I know now how the other half feels."

Her own escape was dramatic. When the fire started, she was at home, and was alerted by radio that a blaze had broken out on Pfeiffer Ridge. When she walked outside her door, there were flames on her property.

She only had a cell phone and purse with her when she fled, and the flames engulfed her home.

"I thought I was going to someone else's fire, not my own," said Karstens.

It only took a few hours for the Pfeiffer Fire to devastate a rural commu-

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## Former county supe receives avalanche of (belated) well wishes after horse accident

By KELLY NIX

FORMER MONTEREY County Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman has received a "chorus of concern" from friends and associates after a terrifying horseback accident that left the Carmel Valley resident with life-threatening injuries and put her in the hospital for more than a week.

There have been offers to bake her casseroles, run errands and just keep the well-known resident company while she recovered from the mishap — details of which were printed in Dec. 13 edition of The Pine Cone. "Every one of the messages has been touching," she said.

But all those great intentions are a bit misplaced: The horse accident in question occurred in 1988.

"I am very well recovered," Strasser Kauffman said, laughing. "It has been 25 years."

The confusion began when The Pine Cone published a news item about Strasser Kauffman's Dec. 15, 1988 horse accident in "A Century of Pine Cones" — a column that includes various historical events printed in the newspaper over the

last 100 years. Some readers saw the item about her 1988 accident and somehow believed it had just happened.

"It's been an avalanche of really good wishes," she said. "It's wonderful to know there is such concern and such support. I'm deeply touched."

The 1988 accident happened while Strasser Kauffman was riding on a borrowed Peruvian Paso horse during the annual Santa's Fly-In parade in Carmel Valley.

"Some kids came along in a noisy wagon," she recalled. "And the horse got spooked, reared up and fell over backwards and crushed me."

With several cracked ribs, a concussion and severe blood loss, Strasser Kauffman was rushed to Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula where she spent eight days in intensive care. With the exception of periodic sciatica, she recovered from the accident.

Fast forward to Dec. 12, 2013: Strasser Kauffman said she got her first message of concern shortly after The Pine Cone's email edition

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Karin Strasser Kauffman looking fit as a fiddle in 1998, a mere 10 years after her horseriding accident.



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# Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

## The calm before the storm

**S**HE NEVER imagined herself falling for an English Bulldog. In fact, she'd always found them a little intimidating. But she began babysitting for a family who had one, and she found him not cute but cuddly. Her husband grew up with hound dogs, but Eleanor was her very first dog.

Eleanor, who turned 6 on Halloween, is sweet and, her person has decided, adorable. And, at first, a little shy and maybe a little lonely. Before moving from Virginia to California two years ago, the couple decided Eleanor needed a companion. They returned to her breeder and brought home her nephew, a seemingly sweet, 7-week-old puppy they named Alfred.

"What we actually brought home," says his person, "was a hurricane. We must have been in the eye of the storm when we met. He's such a ball of energy. We're lucky if we can get him to lie down."

Alfred is super charged, but he's also super sweet. Despite his rough-and-ready behavior, he's careful with kids and loves to cover their faces with slobbery kisses.

When Eleanor met her nephew, she hid behind her person, typically shy and maybe a little scared. It's partially her nature and also because she wasn't prepared for Alfred. Although Eleanor is his elder, Alfred is the



aggressor, who dives into everything first. He is fiercely food driven, which is why he plants himself under the highchair in his home. He also is motivated by attention and affection, which overwhelms Eleanor.

Still, the pair takes to the beach in stride from their Pacific Grove home, which has become routine since they're no longer scared of the sand, the shorebirds, the sea. Now, they cavort cooperatively in the surf, letting the waves wash over them.

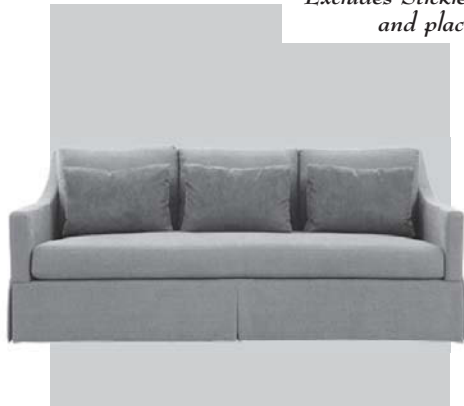
"Alfred, in those rare moments when he rests," says his person, "particularly likes to bask in the coastal sun."

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# Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

## 'Wax' used to vandalize sign

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.

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

**Pacific Grove:** Man reported a woman who has been verbally admonished in the past by him came to his Lighthouse Avenue business after being told she was not allowed. He said the woman began to demand a refund and

yelled at the man, calling him a "Nazi." Woman left the scene in a taxi before police arrived. He requested the incident be documented.

**Pacific Grove:** Sometime during the morning, someone slashed a tire to a vehicle while it was parked on Montecito. No suspect information.

**Pacific Grove:** Theft from a vehicle occurred while it was parked on Lincoln. Owner left his vehicle unlocked. No suspect information.

**Pacific Grove:** Funston resident called in to say an animal jumped into her yard and killed

her 8-pound chihuahua. It is not known what kind of animal killed her dog, just that it was able to clear her 6-foot fence and maul her dog. The veterinarian said the bite marks were that of a large canine type. Resident heard her dog yelp and then found it dead by her fence.

**Carmel Valley:** A female on Old Ranch Road attempted to swallow several pills but later spit them out. She was transported to CHOMP for W&I 5150 hold.

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

**Pacific Grove:** Suspect, an 18-year-old male, was contacted on Jewell Avenue and found to be intoxicated to the point of not being able to care for himself. Subject arrested and booked at PGPD before transport to county jail.

**Pacific Grove:** Dispatched to a hotel on Ocean View where a machete was found in a room by a maid. Seized for destruction and logged. Nothing further.

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 9

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A traffic stop was conducted on Sixth Avenue at San Carlos Street at 0113 hours for various moving violations, and the 25-year-old male driver was found to be unlicensed and DUI. Vehicle towed/stored by Carmel Towing, and the driver was housed at Monterey County Jail.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Woman on Monterey Street lost her Indonesia ID, passport and student visa.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a non-injury (rear-end collision) on Carpenter Street. Report filed.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Investigated a report of sexual battery and criminal threats at a business on Dolores Street.

**Pacific Grove:** Suspect and victim were involved in a battery at a business on Forest Avenue. Suspect, a 62-year-old male, was arrested and booked at PGPD before being released on a cite to appear.

**Pacific Grove:** Caller reported a lost canine police badge approximately two months ago on the 600 block of Lighthouse Avenue.

**Carmel area:** Resident on Santa Fe Avenue reported his vehicle was burglarized.

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a past-tense theft from a parked vehicle on Dolores Street.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a subject on San Carlos Street falsifying work hours and being paid for his [supposed] services.

**Pacific Grove:** Residential burglary on Caledonia. Residence was burglarized in a three-hour timeframe. Perpetrator, who is unknown, took multiple electronic items, jewelry and cash.

**Pebble Beach:** Pebble Beach Security reported an unknown subject cut out a 100 amp electrical panel and took 200 feet of cable from a construction site at Stevenson and Forest Lake.

**Carmel area:** Deputies contacted a driver of a motorhome. The driver was evaluated by CHP and arrested for driving under the influence.

**Big Sur:** Missing person reported from another county. Possibly on his way to Big Sur.

**Carmel Valley:** Country Club Drive resident reported a theft that occurred sometime over the past six months.

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A pearl bracelet was found on Monday, Dec. 9, and turned in to the department.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A surfboard was reported missing from Carmel Beach.

**Pacific Grove:** Intoxicated male, age 54, made threats to store employees on Forest Avenue. Found and arrested. Kicked officer prior to transportation to county jail.

**Pacific Grove:** Resident found credit card charges she did not authorize. Possible suspect info from victim on Forest Avenue; ongoing investigation.

**Pacific Grove:** Property damage report on Shell Avenue. Resident said she lives near the golf course and a golf ball came through her bathroom window. She does not know who hit he golf ball through the window and does not believe it was done intentionally. She wanted it documented for informational purposes.


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# P.G. MAN WHO PERFORMED ILLEGAL WORK AND STOLE CHECKS GETS PROBATION

By KELLY NIX

A PACIFIC Grove man who pleaded guilty in November to felony and misdemeanor charges related to illegal contracting work and theft of a client's personal checks was sentenced to probation instead of prison last week.

On Dec. 19, Monterey County Superior Court Judge Larry E. Hayes sentenced Danny Jess Langley, 54, to probation instead of eight years in prison. Langley pleaded guilty on Nov. 1 to 11 felonies including insurance fraud, using a false contractor's license and grand theft, and 10 misdemeanors including contracting without a license and failure to obtain workers' compensation insurance.

Langley was first cited in 2011 for contracting without a license and placed on probation. In May 2012, he was again found to be working without a license, not having workers' compensation insurance for employees and using a fake contractor's license, prosecutors said.

An investigator with the Contractors State Licensing

Board, however, learned Langley was still committing the same types of crimes by telling his clients that he was licensed and insured. That led him to being cited again in July of this year.

CSLB investigators also discovered Langley had committed other crimes, including grand theft and forgery. While working at a client's house, Langley stole personal checks and credit card information from the woman, Monterey County Deputy District Attorney Carol Reed said.

#### Sentence could have been much worse

While Reed and Langley's probation officer argued in court last week that Langley should be sent to prison, Langley's attorney convinced Hayes to dismiss a prior, undisclosed violent strike from his criminal record. If the strike had remained on his record, Langley would have likely received a much stiffer sentence.

Reed "vigorously" opposed a motion by Langley's defense attorney to remove the strike — part of California's

Three Strikes Law — and argued the court "should consider the interests of society and community and follow the sentencing scheme in sending the defendant to state prison."

While Hayes said that Reed had presented a "persuasive argument" and that it was a "close case," he wiped the strike from Langley's record.

The judge also said he hoped Langley "did not come back and haunt him" — meaning he hoped Langley would stay out of trouble. Langley had served time in San Quentin State Prison, according to the CSLB.

As part of the terms of his probation, Langley cannot work as a contractor. He's also ineligible from getting a state contracting license because of his prior violent crime. If he violates the terms and conditions of his probation, he will be ordered to serve eight years in prison.

Homeowners can check to see if a contractor is licensed by going to the CSLB website at <https://www2.cslb.ca.gov/OnlineServices/CheckLicenseII/CheckLicense.aspx>.

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# Subcommittee to transform Holman Building into new hotel dissolved ... again

By KELLY NIX

A SUBCOMMITTEE formed by the Pacific Grove City Council four months ago help foster the development of a hotel at the underused Holman building was dissolved last week.

The city council voted Dec. 18 to “terminate” the subcommittee that Holman Building owner Nader Agha urged the council to create in August. The panel, composed of Mayor Bill Kampe and Councilman Alan Cohen, was supposed to “provide a timely connection to a project for a hotel on the Holman site.”

The subcommittee was dissolved because plans for a hotel haven’t been submitted to the city.

“Neither Alan nor I have been approached with anything concrete at this point,” Kampe told The Pine Cone Monday.

According to a report from the city’s staff presented to the city council at the Dec. 18 meeting, “At this point it appears there is no basis for a continuing discussions regarding Holman site project as a subcommittee.”

This is the second Holman Building subcommittee that’s been dissolved. In 2009, Kampe and Cohen were on another panel, that, like the newer one, was formed to provide a sounding board for a Holman building hotel project, consult with city staff and the project backers, and to keep the city council informed of the proposal.

Agha has long wanted to build a new hotel on the site at 542 Lighthouse Ave. In 2012, he and hotel developer Drake Leddy proposed building a seven story, 200-plus room, boutique hotel. But in November of that year, voters rejected a zoning change in order to increase the height of the building to accommodate the hotel. Agha didn’t submit plans for the hotel before the election was held, leaving some voters won-

dering what the project actually was going to entail.

In August of this year, with Leddy out of the picture, Agha and architect Safwat Malek proposed building a scaled-back hotel with about 160 rooms and no shops on the ground floor as originally planned.

And while plans still have not been submitted to the city, Councilman Dan Miller told The Pine Cone that it appears something is brewing.

“I don’t know for sure what is going on,” Miller said, “but I believe there is going to be another proposal that will include a hotel.”

Agha, who has recently offered the building up for sale, runs an antique business in part of the building. Grove Nutrition, Kelly-Moore paint store and the newly opened Jeninni Kitchen + Wine Bar also lease spaces in the Holman building.

This nearly 90-year-old Holman Building on Lighthouse Avenue is an eyesore, but efforts to transform it into a upscale hotel have failed, most recently in November 2012, when voters rejected a zoning change to allow a large hotel to be built on the property.

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# Commission OKs cistern in setback

By MARY SCHLEY

SINCE THE city's zoning code doesn't allow structures in setbacks but doesn't specifically mention whether that includes underground cisterns, the Carmel Planning Commission's decision this month to approve one for the front yard of a home being built at Carmelo and Ocean set a precedent, according to planning and building director Rob Mullane.

Bill and Adriana Hayward's house will include a lot of water-saving and energy-conserving features, including a zinc roof that will collect fog and rain for irrigation on the corner lot. On Dec. 11, the Haywards requested permission to bury a 5,000-gallon cistern on the west side of the property in the front yard to capture the water.

"The zoning code doesn't do a good job of addressing this," Mullane said. "The issue is it's a buried structure that's accessory to the main structure: Can that be allowed in the front-yard setback? If you're walking by, you're probably not even going to notice it."

Builder Chris Bocqua from Stocker & Allaire said runoff from the to the cistern by gravity, and then be pumped to a 30-gallon

pressurized tank for distribution to the irrigation system. To work properly, the cistern would have to be buried at the lowest point on the property, the front yard, and would be accessed from a 30-inch hatch in the driveway.

Because it's a "structure," Mullane said, the zoning code would typically not permit the cistern to be installed in the front-yard setback, even though it's underground and very little of it would be visible. Since the setbacks exist "to provide open space for aesthetic reasons and for access reasons," Mullane said, the cistern should not be considered a "compromise of either of these two main purposes."

Commissioner Steve Dallas asked Bocqua if the Haywards would consider installing a second cistern in the back, just to ensure all of the roof water would be captured, but another builder said that would be cost-prohibitive and unnecessary.

Commissioner Don Goodhue commented, "This is a pioneering project, and I commend it," and commissioner Michael LePage said the design of the cistern "should be

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A cistern at the home of Bill and Adriana Hayway on Carmelo Street was approved by the planning commission earlier this month, even though it will be in the setback, which is normally off-limits to structures.

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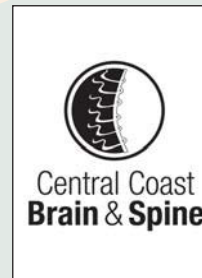
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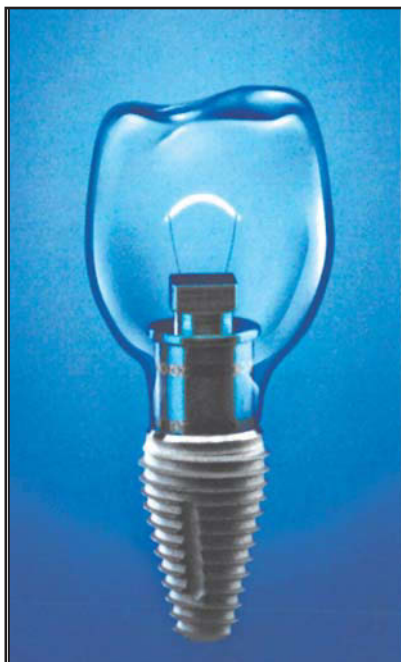
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## Fresno woman injured in Big Sur hunting mishap

Zoua Lo Xiong of Fresno was accidentally shot by a relative Dec. 22 while hunting near Bottchers Gap in Big Sur.

The incident happened at about 10 a.m. The relative was using a shotgun.

Xiong was not wearing brightly colored safety gear and blended into the vegetation and landscape, deputies said. The shooter didn't realize his relative was in danger until she was shot and cried out.

The relative drove the victim to the hospital, where she was treated for wounds to her face, head, upper back and left arm.

## Post Ranch worker arrested for battery

A POST Ranch Inn employee tried to break into a coworker's home, threatened him and shoved him, according to Monterey County Sheriff's Cmdr. Mike Burns, who said Kenji Kido, 28, was subsequently arrested and taken to Monterey County Jail after the intended victim dialed 911 around 11:30 p.m. Dec. 19.

"He's staying in employee housing down there, and he had a problem with another employee. He was trying to break in and commit harm to him," Burns said, though he could not say what they were fighting about, other than that "alcohol was involved."

When the victim was awakened by Kido pounding on the door, he opened it to find out what was wrong, and Kido threatened to hurt him and shoved him, according to Burns.

"The guy was trying to get in the room, which was locked, and the victim opened the door and said, 'What's the problem?' [Kido] came in and threatened to beat him," Burns said. "And he pushed him."

The victim was apparently uninjured, and Kido was booked into Monterey County Jail. The case has been sent to the Monterey County District Attorney's Office for review.

## Dec. 28 funeral for man who told jokes

A FUNERAL will be held this weekend for a Carmel man who died suddenly after complications from knee surgery.

Timothy Armstrong Ward, 41, who had Down Syndrome, was well known in the city because he would regularly visit stores, restaurants and other businesses to tell jokes. He died Dec. 17 at his home.

His funeral is Saturday, Dec. 28, at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 1 Forest Knoll Road, Monterey. There is a viewing from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., followed by a family prayer at 10:30 a.m. The funeral service will be held at 11 a.m., followed by interment at San Carlos Cemetery, 792 Fremont St., Monterey, and lunch back at the church.

## Residential parking permits available at CPD

CITY OF Carmel parking permits are available for \$20 apiece to residents and property owners in town. Good for calendar year 2014, the permit authorizes holders to park for three hours in designated two-hour spots, one hour in 30-minute spaces, and in areas where the parking permit is required, such as Monte Verde Street between Fifth and Sixth avenues.

The person picking up the permit must be the registered owner of the vehicle and show current registration; provide proof of residency or property ownership, such as a utility bill, tax bill or lease agreement; and bring \$20, which can be paid by check, cash or credit card.

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# RODRIGUE

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Iberia, La., where George was born and raised. As we drove down the town's main street we saw oak trees, so familiar from George's Cajun paintings, with their trunks wrapped in blue ribbons, and a white picket fence surrounding a small park adorned with several hundred "Blue Dogs" drawn by children. A simple but sweet and moving tribute by a modest town to its favorite son.

Most of the world knew George as the fine artist that he was, for many years the chronicler of the Cajun experience in Southern Louisiana, and later the creator of the iconic Blue Dog. At the memorial service, John Bullard, Director Emeritus of the New Orleans Museum of Art, described in detail the artistic significance of both bodies of work, and smiled when he talked about the wonderful 2008 retrospective that included nearly 250 pieces of George's work and that drew people to the museum as no other show has ever done.

Many can bear witness to his quick mind; I've never met a smarter businessman. And many can bear witness to his quick wit, such as when he slipped into his Cajun accent and told one of his "Boudreaux and Thibodeaux" stories. And he had the most infectious laugh.

But far fewer knew of another of his fine qualities, one that to me most defined him: his unending generosity. He had an enormous heart. He treated his sons' friends as part of his family, paying college tuition and expenses for several of them and thereby enabling them to enjoy an education otherwise beyond their reach. He changed their lives, and they always speak with great respect and affection for "Mr. George."

He used his art to raise millions for the Red Cross and other charities following 9/11 and Hurricane Katrina. And he did it without fanfare.

But I think George's real passion was children. My partner, Sandra Meyrose, believes that in children he found kindred spirits, that he viewed the world through the eyes of a child seeing an adventure in everything he did and ignoring the limits others attempted to place on him. He manifested that generosity in part by giving his time to visit classrooms with his wife, Wendy, and interacting with young students. I was never sure who enjoyed the experiences more, George or the kids.

In 2009, George founded the George Rodrigue Foundation of the Arts, and brought to it the same passion that drove his painting. Each year it distributes \$45,000 in scholarships and awards to Louisiana high school juniors and

seniors, allowing some to follow George's career path, but with fewer bumps. The work of the winners is nothing short of extraordinary. The foundation also distributes a full-year's worth of art supplies to a bunch of schools every year, supplies they otherwise would not have. And it is bringing the A+ Schools program — which trains teachers to incorporate art in the teaching of all subjects, and which has dramatically raised test scores in North Carolina, Oklahoma and Arkansas — to Louisiana. In time, the foundation may become as much a part of George's legacy as his art is now. He was an amazing person, and his foundation, still in its virtual infancy, is doing amazing things.

George traveled the world and rubbed elbows with many of its leading politicians and celebrities, but Carmel was his refuge, his place of peace. He fell in love with it decades ago, met and courted Wendy here, and opened a gallery on Sixth Avenue, and then Dolores Street. His Carmel Valley house was his favorite place to paint.

It's hard to accept the sad reality that George's big personality will never fill another room, that we never again will delight in his stories or hear his distinctive laugh. We have to try to be satisfied that we were gifted with the profound privilege of enjoying him for as long as we did. But we're sure going to miss him terribly. Already do.

# KAUFFMAN

From page 1A

was sent out to about 12,000 readers that night at 9 p.m.

"I knew that something was happening and people were concerned and upset," she said, "but I didn't know why."

It wasn't until the next day when she read a printed copy of The Pine Cone that she realized what all the fuss was about.

"Once I read the paper, I put it together," she said.

Though the vintage news item was preceded by a sub-headline that read "25 years ago — December 15, 1988," some people glossed over the date while others learned of the 25-year-old accident by word of mouth. Making the story even more convincingly recent was the fact that this year's Santa's Fly-In in Carmel Valley was held on Dec. 14.

Strasser Kauffman, who said she surprised to find out how widespread the response, was "inundated" with email, phone and text messages from friends.

"The Pine Cone must be read not only in Monterey County, but all over the place," she said.

On Dec. 14, the day after The Pine Cone hit the streets, Strasser Kauffman was at a Christmas party where partygoers couldn't believe she had already been released from the hospital.

They said "Oh my goodness, you are out of the hospital?" she said. "You are looking so good after the accident."

And the heartfelt well wishes haven't stopped. Late last week she was still getting messages and running into people who'd heard about the accident and wanted to help out in any way they could.

Neighbors even knocked on her door to offer their assistance.

"Many of the people I heard from I haven't seen in years," she said. "There were some elected officials who contacted me, too. I certainly feel appreciated and I certainly feel pampered."


This isn't the first time the "Century of Pine Cones" column has fooled readers. A few months ago, a Carmel store owner contacted publisher Paul Miller to complain that the newspaper had erroneously reported that his store had been robbed.

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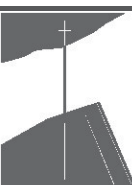


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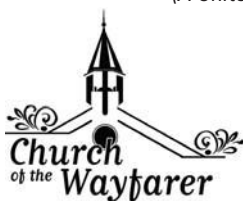


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# 2014

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Lisa Dias  
2014 Board Co-Chair

2013 was an excellent year for the city of Carmel-by-the-Sea generally speaking for the business community.

Hotel tax receipts were up 10.15% for Fiscal Year ending in June 13, compared to the prior year. City sales tax reports indicated an 11.6 and 9.9% sales tax collection growth over the prior year for the first two quarters of 2013.

Projections for 2014 are mixed. The National Restaurant Association is forecasting flat growth of no more than .5% for full service restaurants. The Luxury Traveler segment is expected to grow in dollar spend, but not in number of travelers. Can we help Carmel to be the exception in showing greater growth than our competitor destinations in 2014?

Goals for 2014 for the Carmel Chamber include marketing and promoting the community, creating a strong local economy, helping our business members to build exposure and referrals through networking, and representing the interest of business with government.

As co-chair with John Lloyd this year, we will strive to continue to build on a cohesive chamber – city relationship and move forward on our goals with the help of a very dedicated and hard-working board.

Thank you to all who have helped and continue to help along the way. I look forward to a successful 2014!

Sincerely, Lisa Dias

*Lisa Dias is the Chief Operations Officer of Mirabel Hotel & Restaurant Group.*

## TRAVEL WITH THE CHAMBER!

**What:** Costa Rica Group Travel Trip Preview  
**When:** Monday, January 21, 6:00pm  
**Where:** Church of the Wayfarer, Garden Room  
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**Where:** Marilyn Monroe Spa  
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**When:** Tuesday, January 21, 5:00pm - 7:00pm  
**Cost:** FREE!

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**Where:** Keller Williams Realty  
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**Where:** The Monterey Program for Executive Health  
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## JANUARY CALENDAR

For a comprehensive list of local events visit:  
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San Carlos btwn 5th & 6th  
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**Where:** La Playa Carmel  
8th & Camino Real, Carmel  
**When:** Tuesday, January 21, 8:00am  
**Cost:** \$25 Chamber members

Plan on attending the 'State of the Chamber' breakfast featuring highlights of 2013 and plans for 2014 presented by Carmel Chamber of Commerce Chief Executive Officer, Monta Potter. Special guest Tammy Blount, Monterey County Convention and Visitor Bureau President/CEO, will introduce the new 'Champion Monterey' program. Breakfast will be served and each attendee will have a chance to share a few words about their business during introductions. Jumpstart your year with us! RSVP to Lee at (831) 624-2522 x205.

## BUSINESS MIXER



Carmel Mission Inn hosted a festive and delicious holiday mixer with specialty menu items, music, wine and prizes. Shown are (L-R) Tammy Blount, Monterey County Convention and Visitor Bureau President/CEO; Monta Potter, Carmel Chamber of Commerce Chief Executive Officer; Janine Potter, Portola Plaza Hotel and Spa General Manager. *Photo by DMT Imaging.*

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# EIR

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"I understand there is sentiment against the project, but that isn't necessarily a reason to do an EIR," Ford told The Pine Cone. "The thing you have to ask is: Does this project have the potential to significantly damage the environment?"

A group of neighbors who call themselves Friends of Quail argue the project should be subject to an EIR. They're particularly concerned about the dog training facility hosting special events, which could draw dozens of RV owners to the site.

"Can you imagine 70 behemoth RVs trying to turn left onto Carmel Valley Road from Valley Greens Drive after an event?" a statement at [www.friendsofquail.com](http://www.friendsofquail.com) suggests. "Do you worry about the environmental impact of this many vehicles - both RV's and people - who are attending the special events in their 200-plus cars?"

The group's attorney, Michael Stamp,

argued that an EIR should be required because the public needs an independent analysis of the project. "This is one of those situations where the experts disagree," Stamp said.

The attorney said county staff is "over-worked" and the project "needs to be properly analyzed by someone who has the time to do it."

Stamp also said the dog training center would be a poor match for the neighborhood.

"It doesn't fit the zoning," he said. "It doesn't fit the location along the Carmel River."

Diehl has previously contended that an EIR should not be required.

"We're not building anything permanent," she said. "There's not that much to study."

She also said concerns about noise and traffic have been addressed in reports that are available at [www.carmelcaninesports.com](http://www.carmelcaninesports.com).

In addition to proposing to operate a dog training facility on a daily basis, the owners are asking the county for "24 special event

days." They are seeking to install an 800-square-foot modular office trailer, a 600-square-foot restroom trailer, a 600-square-foot clubhouse trailer and a 400-square-foot electrical room; they want to excavate a 1.2 pond; and they want to create 200 parking spaces.

Public comments on the project itself, or on the idea that an EIR is not required, are due by Jan. 24. Comments can be emailed to: [CEQAcComments@co.monterey.ca.us](mailto:CEQAcComments@co.monterey.ca.us).

The project is also back on the agenda of the Carmel Valley Land Use Committee's next meeting Monday, Jan. 6, at St. Philips Church. More than 150 people packed the church when the committee hosted a hearing on it in June. The church is located at 8065 Carmel Valley Road and the meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. There will be a site visit at 4 p.m.

Final determination about a permit for the center will probably be made by the county board of supervisors.

## Marian Leidig reaching 100th b-day

ONE OF Carmel's Grand Dames, Marian Leidig will celebrate her 100th birthday Dec. 30.

She was set to be honored by the city council Dec. 3 for reaching such a major milestone, but she wasn't feeling up to a public appearance, so the council asked residents and others to send her birthday wishes by mail.

Leidig, widow of Glenn Leidig, who died in February 2010 at the age of 89, has long

been a fixture in town, and for decades they lived together in the upstairs condo above Thinker Toys at San Carlos and Seventh. She taught at Sunset School in her youth and has often been vocal regarding local issues dear to her heart, such as the ultimately successful effort to preserve the former bank building at Dolores and Seventh.

Anyone wishing to send her a birthday card can mail it to PO Box 5565, Carmel, CA 93921.



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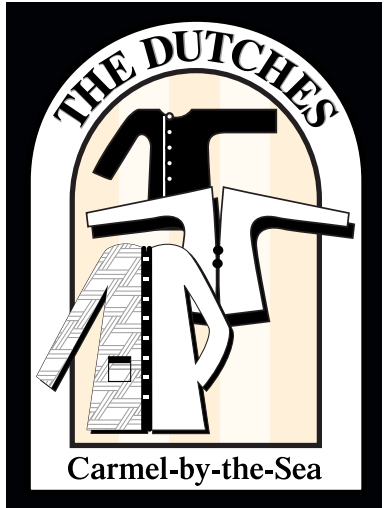
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### Food & Wine

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## S.F. bluesman, local rockers headline 21st First Night party

By CHRIS COUNTS

WHEN THE clock strikes midnight on New Year's Eve, San Francisco Bay Area blues singer and guitarist **Chris Cain** and his four-piece band will be bringing down the house at the Golden State Theatre.

And just two blocks away, hard-working homegrown rockers **Mike Beck and the Bohemian Saints** will be doing the same thing in the Monterey Conference Center's Serra Ballroom.

Cain and Beck headline this year's 21st annual local First Night celebration, which will draw thousands of people to downtown Monterey. Cain and his band start playing at 10 p.m., while Beck and company take the stage at 9:30 p.m.

The two acts top an impressive roster of musical acts representing a dizzying array of genres.

Bringing together African, Latin, soul, jazz, Caribbean and Brazilian music and dance, **Ashé and the Global Rhythm Collective** performs from 7 to 9 p.m. on the Wells Fargo stage (at the corner of Alvarado and Franklin streets). **The Sambahemians** and **Samba Légal** serve up a sizzling mix of Afro-Brazilian rhythms, Caribbean calypso and Brazilian folk samba at the same location from 9:30 to 11 p.m.

Just steps away, two groups with an affection for classic rock share the bill on the Rabobank Stage (439 Alvarado St.). **The Coffis Brothers and the Mountain Men** kick off the fun from 6:30 to 8:15 p.m., while **Rock Paper Scissors**

keeps the party going from 8:45 to 10:30 p.m.

**The Black Irish Band** draws from a repertoire of Irish, Scottish, Italian and American folk music at the Golden State Theater from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

**Grumbling Ginger** presents acoustic folk-rock with a Celtic twist in the Monterey Conference Center's Colton Room from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. They'll be followed by a youthful bluegrass ensemble, **The North Pacific String Band**, from 9 to 11 p.m.

**Kuzanga Marimba** plays traditional music from Zimbabwe in the the Monterey Conference Center's Steinbeck Forum from 8:45 to 10:45 p.m.

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The Black Irish Band (left) plays folk music from both sides of the Atlantic at Monterey's First Night celebration New Year's Eve. Also featured are rockers Mike Beck and the Bohemian Saints (above) and Stevenson School graduate MC Lars (right), who performs what he calls "post-punk laptop rap." The 21st annual First Night event, which starts at 3 p.m. Dec. 31 and continues past midnight, offers an eclectic mix of performances in a family-friendly environment.



## Library offers free one-woman play

A RIVALRY between two sisters is the catalyst of a one-woman play that will be staged Friday, Dec. 13, in the Main Reading Room at the Harrison Memorial Library.

A performing arts instructor at Emerson College in Boston, Kathleen Patrick performs Eudora Welty's short story, "Why I Live at the P.O."

Written in 1941 and based in a small town in Mississippi, the story is filled with humor and irony.

The free event, which starts at 7 p.m., is the latest installment in the Carmel Public Library Foundation's Community Night series.

The library is located at Mission and Carmel. Call (831) 624-2811.

## Art Champions honored for vision, talent and passion

By CHRIS COUNTS

A PULITZER-PRIZE winning author, a charismatic illustrator and the creator of the "spirit nest" will be recognized next month when the Arts Council for Monterey County presents its ninth annual Champions of the Arts Gala next month.

The Portola Hotel and Spa will be the site of the event, which happens Saturday, Jan. 18, at 5 p.m.

This year's "champions of the arts" include Carmel Valley writer **Jane Smiley**, Carmel Art Association president and note illustrator **Will Bullas**, and Big Sur musician, artist and

producer **Jayson Fann**. Also honored will be Moss Landing restaurant and gallery owner **Kim Solano**, Salinas volunteer extraordinaire **Armando Sarabia**, and Seaside educator **Carol Lenters**.

"The mission of the Arts Council is to improve the quality of life in our region through the arts," explained **Paulette Lynch**, executive director of the nonprofit arts council. "Our Champions provide many great examples – their vision, talent, passion and dedication create a stronger and more vibrant community."

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Musician, artist and producer Jayson Fann of Big Sur (right of center, wearing the blue shirt) was recently named one of seven Monterey County Champions of the Arts. Fann and the other winners will be honored at a gala in Monterey Jan. 18.



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# The tide is high, New Year's Revolution, and bubbles and fish

THE BAR next to Mundaka Restaurant has a name and is working on an identity to match.

High Tide, the moniker Gabe Georis and his brother, Nico, picked for their new enterprise, has nice symmetry next to their tapas restaurant.

With talented personalities like Will Larkin behind the bar, and Mundaka chef Brandon Miller developing a menu to match the new space's old American style, High

time, it is already well stocked, from Fernet Branca and Hendrick's Gin, to beer on draft and aged rums. Snacks are brought from next door.

And for New Year's Eve Tuesday, Mundaka restaurant, High Tide and the courtyard that joins them will come to life in a celebration featuring Spanish and French bubbles, signature cocktails, a four-course tapas menu and passed pintxos created by Miller specially for that night. Three tapas menus will be offered: one focused on meat, one focused on fish and one that's vegetarian.

The first seating will be offered from 6 to 8 p.m. and costs \$60 per person, and the second is from 8 p.m. onward

and costs \$80 per person. The 8:30 p.m. seating will continue through midnight, with a countdown to midnight and the eating of "los doce uvas de la buena suerte," or "the 12 grapes of good luck," one for each of the final 12 seconds of the old year.

Mundaka and High Tide are located in Carmel Square on San Carlos Street north of Seventh, and reservations for the New Year's Eve dinner can be made by calling (831) 624-7400 or emailing [jolieatmundaka@gmail.com](mailto:jolieatmundaka@gmail.com).

## ■ New Year's Revolution

The Esalen kitchen will kick off the first Indy Dinner of 2014 Thursday, Jan. 2, at the Independent in Sand City, with all of the proceeds benefiting victims of the recent Pfeiffer Fire.

Dinner, which is served family style at long tables, will begin with appetizers at 6 p.m., and the menu is set to include garden salad with herbs, sprouted lentils and beet kvass; Esalen bakeshop sourdough rye toast; slow-cooked fennel; carrot caponata; radish-

es with herb pesto; kimchi stew; heirloom beans and chard with local line-caught fish; world-famous kale salad with braised kabocha squash; and Esalen's compost cookies, with coffee provided by Big Sur Mobile Cafe. De Tierra wines and beer from Post No Bills will be available for purchase.

Tickets cost \$35 per person for adults and \$15 for kids, and additional donations are encouraged, of course. To purchase, go to [indydinner.brownpapertickets.com](http://indydinner.brownpapertickets.com). Discounted tickets for students, military, Sand City residents, Big Sur residents and Esalen staff and family are \$30.

The Indy is located at 600 Ortiz in Sand City. Call (831) 649-0220 for more information.

## ■ Champagne and caviar

The American Institute of Wine & Food Monterey Bay Chapter will present its ninth annual Champagne and Caviar Tasting in the ballroom of the Clement Hotel on Cannery Row in Monterey Saturday, Jan. 4, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Ruinart, the world's oldest Champagne house, is sponsoring the tasting alongside Tsar Nicoulai of San Francisco, a leader in sustainable caviar production. Included in

the lineup will be Ruinart BdB en magnum, BdB, Rose, DR 02 and DR 98. Megan Gordon, Ruinart Champagne brand ambassador, will discuss the Champagnes and their pairings with creations by executive chef Jerry Regester.

Live and silent auctions will be presided over by auctioneer Toby Roland-Jones, founder of the Big Sur Food & Wine Festival.

The cost is \$125 for AIWF members and \$225 for nonmembers, which includes a \$100 one-year membership that's tax deductible. Valet parking is included.

To reserve, call Kimberly Briggs at (831) 626-1826 or email [kbriggs@thewinebuds.com](mailto:kbriggs@thewinebuds.com). The Clement is offering attendees who would like to stay onsite a special room rate of \$169.

To learn more about the organization, visit [www.aiwf.org](http://www.aiwf.org).

## ■ Wine Fridays

Hofsas House hotel on San Carlos Street north of Fourth Avenue is launching Local's Favorites Wine Fridays, benefiting Peace of Mind Dog Rescue, in January.

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## soup to nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

Tide is on track to be independent of the popular restaurant next door, even if the personalities involved have a distinctive touch on both.

Open nightly, the space hardly looks like it did as Ody's, the sports bar that offered \$2 cosmos on ladies' nights and stripper poles. The historic bar that came from Sally Stanford's famous Valhalla restaurant in Sausalito is a focal point, and the brass plaque at its center declares its origins in the venue that belonged to Sausalito's former mayor. (Before she moved to the north side of the bay, Stanford had run an upscale bordonello in San Francisco.)

"She liked money, cops, the flag, and being a guest on the Johnny Carson show," her obituary read when she died in 1982 at the age of 78. "She disliked bureaucracy. She was nonchalant about death and all the major heart attacks she survived. 'Us sinners never give up,' she once said."

In its infancy, the new bar has yet to establish signature cocktails and culinary offerings, but with such a legacy, there's plenty of inspiration to be had. In the mean-



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Dorothea Probasco behind the counter at the Silvestri tasting room on Seventh Avenue near Dolores.

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Throughout the year, the hotel will offer small bites and Monterey County wines in its poolside meeting room on one Friday each month from 5:30 to 7 p.m., at a cost of \$15 per person, with additional glasses for \$5

which the winery made fewer than 100 cases. Silvestri's better known Bella Sandra Chardonnay, aged in oak, will become a lower-production wine in 2013, according to manager Dorothea Probasco. The 2012 Rosé is made from Pinot Noir, with juicy acidity and a salmon hue, and the 2009 Rising Tide Pinot Noir is soft, with notes of black fruit.

liqueur, tawny Port and orange bitters that were combined and are undergoing a two-week aging in fresh oak.

Tarpy's also hosts Wine Down Wednesdays, featuring a differing winery each week, when tastes are offered, and the star wine is sold by the glass and by the bottle at a discounted price. A special three-

course menu is available, too.

January's lineup includes Bernardus Jan. 8, Scheid Jan. 15, Chesebro Jan. 22 and Cain Jan. 29, with Silver Oak Feb. 5, Morgan Feb. 12, Pessagno Feb. 19 and Talbott Jan. 26.

For more information about the bar, the menu and events at the restaurant, visit [www.tarpys.com](http://www.tarpys.com) or call (831) 647-1444.

Tarpy's Roadhouse on Highway 68 is now featuring "bar-rel-aged cocktails" straight from the cask.



apiece.

The first four featured wineries will be Galante Vineyards Jan. 10, Dawn's Dream Feb. 21, Manzoni Wines March 21 and Scheid Vineyards April 18.

Space is limited to 40, and reservations are required by calling (831) 624-2745 or emailing [carrie@hofsashouse.com](mailto:carrie@hofsashouse.com).

### ■ Silvestri's latest

Silvestri Vineyards' tasting room on Seventh Avenue between San Carlos and Dolores is showcasing its latest releases in tastings that cost \$10 for any four or \$13 for all six wines. The lineup includes some 2012 vintages — which were created by new winemaker Frank Melicia from Parsonage — as well as wines from 2009 and 2010.

Currently being poured for tasting are the 2012 Pinot Blanc, fermented in steel for a bright, crisp and light white, and the new Due Bambine unoaked Chardonnay, of

The final wine of the lineup is 2010 Syrah, with medium tannins and a little black pepper.

All of the grapes were grown on 11 acres of vineyards on Alan Silvestri's 300-acre property in Carmel Valley. The winery is allowed to produce up to 5,000 cases of wine per year but is yielding only about 2,500 to 3,000 cases annually, according to Probasco.

For more information about Silvestri and its wine club, which provides two-bottle shipments three times a year and gives members a 20 percent discount, visit [www.silvestrivineyards.com](http://www.silvestrivineyards.com).

### ■ Barrel-aged cocktails

Colleen Balzano, bar and spirits manager at Tarpy's Roadhouse at Highway 68 and Canyon del Rey, announced the bar is serving new barrel-aged cocktails straight from the cask. The latest concoction features Buffalo Trace Bourbon, Bauchant orange

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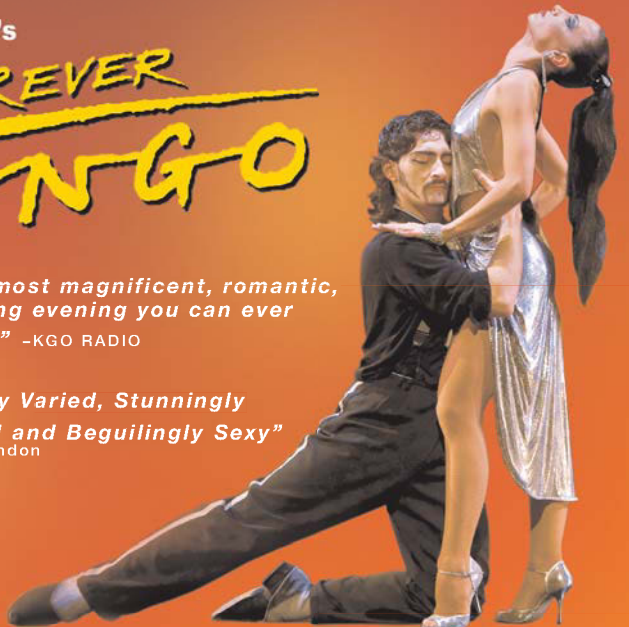
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# MUSIC

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Adding a reggae groove to Hawaiian and Polynesian music, **One A-Chord** takes the stage in the Monterey Conference Center's Serra Ball room from 6:15 to 8 p.m.

At Carleton Hall (400 W. Franklin St.), **The Monterey Peninsula College String Ensemble** performs from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Presenting an eclectic program that ranges from jazz and pop, to classical and Broadway, the choral group **I Cantori di Carmel** is next from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Specializing in the hard pop jazz of the 1950s and 1960s, **Along Comes Betty** follows from 9 to 11 p.m.

Stevenson School graduate **MC Lars** — an emerging hip-hop artist and this year's First Night Artist-in-Residence — plays at two locations: on the lawn next to Colton Hall on Pacific Street from 3:30 to 5 p.m.; and in the Monterey Conference Center's Ferrante Room from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Also featured in the Ferrante Room are **Yala Lati**, a women's choir from Santa Cruz performing from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.; and a jazz ensemble comprised of local college students, **The Fireside Collective**, which takes the stage from 9 to 11 p.m.

In addition to the musical lineup, the First Night celebration features dance performances, film screenings and a Twilight Procession — featuring stilt walkers and giant puppets — along Alvarado Street at 5:30 p.m.

All-event First Night buttons for adults are \$20 in advance and \$22 on the night of the event. Discounts for children under 16 and families are available. Children under five get in free. Call (831) 831-373-4778 or visit [www.firstnight-monterey.org](http://www.firstnight-monterey.org).

## Boogie woogie at the Bough

The latest incarnation of its annual holiday season dance party, PacRep Theatre's 2013 Legends of Rock and Roll Tribute Concert opens Friday, Dec. 27 at the Golden Bough Playhouse.

"Get your boogie woogie in gear and get on down to the Golden Bough," PacRep posted on Facebook.

Starring **Davitt Felder, Lydia Lyon, Daniel Simpson, Stephen Tosh, Don Dally** and many others, the tribute show pays tribute to rock 'n' roll pioneers like Buddy Holly, Chuck Berry and Johnny Cash, as well as 1960s music icons like singer songwriter Bob Dylan and Jefferson Airplane vocalist Grace Slick.

The tribute concert continues through Sunday, Jan. 5. Showtime is 7:30 p.m. A special New Year's Eve performance Tuesday — with desserts, wine and champagne — begins at 8:30 p.m. Call (831) 622-0100.

## Unwinding in Big Sur

Down the coast at Fernwood Resort on New Year's Eve, **Phrat** plans to serve up a few kegs' worth of three-chord, frat party classics from the 1960s like "96 Tears," "Hang On Sloopy" and "Wild Thing." That's good news for the fire-weary Big Sur locals, who have earned the opportunity to unwind. The music starts at 10 p.m. Fernwood is located on Highway 1 about 25 miles south of Carmel. (831) 667-2422.

Also in Big Sur, **Andrea's Fault** rings in the New Year at Ventana Inn with "swinging jazz, rockin' blues and ballads." The trio, which features **Andrea Carter** on vocals and cocktail drums, **Darrin Michell** on guitar and vocals and **Rick Chelew** on upright bass and vocals, starts playing at 9 p.m. Ventana is located on Highway 1 about 27 miles south of Carmel. Call (831) 667-2331.

## Live Music Dec. 27-Jan. 2

**Terry's Lounge** at Cypress Inn — pianist **Gennady Loktionov** and singer **Debbie Davis** (cabaret, Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.); singer **Andrea Carter** (jazz and blues, Sunday at 11 a.m.); guitarist **Richard Devinck** (classical, Sunday at 5 p.m.). Lincoln and Seventh, (831) 624-3871.

**Mission Ranch** — singer and pianist **Maddaline Edstrom** (pop and jazz, Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 7

p.m.); and pianist **Gennady Loktionov** (jazz, Monday through Thursday at 7 p.m.). 26270 Dolores St.

**Mundaka** — singer-songwriter **Nico Georis** (Sunday at 7:30 p.m.); guitarist **Peter Evans** (classical, Monday at 7 p.m.); and singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.). San Carlos and Seventh, (831) 624-7400.

**Jack London's Bar and Grill** — singer-songwriter **Casey Frazier** ("eclectic Americana with roots in country and '70s rock," Friday at 7 p.m.). Dolores between Fifth and Sixth, (831) 624-2336.

**Carl Cherry Center for the Arts** — **Mike and Clay McCurdy** present "Home for the Holidays" ("classic Delta blues," Friday at 7:30 p.m.); **Katie Clare Mazzeo, Elizabeth Gaver** and **Penny Hanna** present "Transcendental Baroque" (classical, Sunday at 4 p.m.). Guadalupe and Fourth.

**The Fuse Lounge at the Carmel Mission Inn** — singer **Dino Vera** (Saturday at 9 p.m.). 3665 Rio Road.

**Julia's** — guitarist **Rick Chelew** and accordionist **Elise Leavy** (Thursday at 5:30 p.m.). 1180 Forest Ave. in Pacific Grove. (831) 656-9355.

**Traps Lounge at Spanish Bay** — **Bryan Diamond** (Friday and Saturday at 9 p.m.). 2700 17-Mile Dr.

**Hidden Valley Music Seminars** — saxophonist **George Young**, pianist **Bob Phillips**, and banjo player **Eddie Erickson** perform at a New Year's Eve Gala (jazz, Sunday at 9 p.m.). Hidden Valley is located at 88 W. Carmel Valley Road. Call (831) 659-3115.

**Plaza Linda** — **The Vibe Tribe** (dance rock, Friday at 7 p.m.); and **Wicked Saints** (folk rock, Saturday at 7:30 p.m.). 27 E. Carmel Valley Road, (831) 659-4229.

**Rosie's Country Store** — **Bryan Diamond** (Saturday at 3 p.m.). 1 Esquiline Road in Carmel Valley, (831) 659-2629.

**Fernwood Resort** in Big Sur — **Billy Martini** ("1970s dance party," Saturday at 9 p.m.). On Highway 1 about 25 miles south of Carmel. (831) 667-2422.

**Treebones Resort** in Big Sur — singer-songwriter **Jordan Smart** ("Soulful Americana," Monday at 6:30 p.m.). Located just off Highway 1 on Willow Creek Road 65 miles south of Carmel, (877) 424-4787.

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20132322 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **BUDGETHUNTINGS- FARIS.COM**, 24611 Lower Trail, Carmel, CA 93923. Monterey County, CORNELIS VAN RENSBURG, 24611 Lower Trail, Carmel, CA 93923, STEFNI VAN RENSBURY, 24611 Lower Trail, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by a married couple. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A. (s) Cornelis van Rensburg. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 11, 2013. Publication dates: Dec. 20, 27, 2013, Jan. 3, 10, 2014. (PC 1215)

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Planning Commission of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing in the City Hall Council Chambers, located on the east side of Monte Verde between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, on Wednesday, January 8, 2014. The public hearings will be opened at 4:00 p.m. or as soon

thereafter as possible. For the items on the agenda, staff will present the project, then the applicant and all interested members of the public will be allowed to speak or offer written testimony before the Commission takes action. Decisions to approve or deny the project may be appealed to the City Council by filing a written notice of appeal with the office of the City Clerk within ten (10) working days following the date of action by the Planning Commission and paying a \$295.00 appeal fee as established by the City Council. For those projects listed as appealable to the California Coastal Commission, appeals may be filed directly with the Coastal Commission for no fee, by filing a written notice of appeal with the Coastal Commission's Central Coast office in Santa Cruz. Such appeals must be filed within ten working days of the Coastal Commission's receipt of the City's Final Local Action Notice.

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

DR 13-15  
Old Mill Properties, LLC  
Mission 4 southwest of 7th Block 90; Lot(s) 11 Consideration of Final Design Review (DR 13-15) and Coastal Development permit applications for the substantial alteration of an existing building located in the Residential and Limited Commercial (RC) Zoning District

2. AD 13-01\*  
Robb & Dale Johnson  
San Antonio 3 SW of 4th Block SS, Lot(s) 4 Consideration of an Administrative Determination (AD 13-01) to determine the allowed floor area of a residence located in the Single Family Residential (R-1), Archaeological Significance Overlay (AS) and Beach and Riparian Overlay (BR) Zoning Districts

3. DS 13-125  
Casanova 5 SW, LLC  
Casanova 5 SW of 8th Block I; Lot(s) 11 Consideration of a Design Study (DS 13-125) application for the construction of a carport in the front-yard setback of a property located in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) Zoning District

4. DS 13-112  
Adoi, LLC  
Carmelo 3 SE of 4th Block GG; Lot(s) 20 & 22 Consideration of Concept Design Study (DS 13-112) and Coastal Development Permit applications for the construction of a new residence located in the Single Family Residential (R-1) Zoning District

5. DS 13-105  
Vance Coffman  
2742 Santa Lucia Ave Block 3M; Lot(s) 7 Consideration of Design Study (DS 13-105) and Coastal Development Permit applications for the alteration of an existing residence located in the Single Family Residential (R-1) and Archaeological Significance Overlay (AS) Zoning Districts

6. DR 13-37  
Tony Salameh  
Mission Street 2 northwest of 7th Ave Block 77; Lot(s) 15, 17, 19 & 21 Consideration of a Design Review (DR 13-37) application for alterations to an existing storefront located in the Central Commercial (CC) Zoning District (Anton & Michel Restaurant)

\*Project is appealable to the California Coastal Commission  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
Date of Publication: December 27, 2013  
City of Carmel-by-the-Sea  
Rob Mullane, AICP, Planning Director

Publication dates: Dec. 27, 2013 (PC 1216)

**STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME** File No. 20130063. The following person(s) have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name **SANCTUARY VACATION RENTALS**, 716 Lighthouse Ave., Ste. C, Pacific Grove, CA 93950, Monterey. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Monterey County on Jan. 10, 2013. File Number 20130063. TERRY A COATES, 4155 Canada Ct., Carmel, CA 93923. This business was conducted by an individual. (s) Terry A. Coates. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 23, 2013. Publication dates: December 27, 2013, January 3, 10, 17, 2014. (PC1218).

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20132398 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **SANCTUARY VACATION RENTALS**, 716 Lighthouse Ave., Suite C, Pacific Grove, CA. 93950, Monterey County. NORMAN HELMS NELSON, 162 Hacienda Carmel, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Dec. 20, 2013 (s) Norman H. Nelson. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 23, 2013. Publication dates: December 27, 2013, January 3, 10, 17, 2014. (PC1219).

**SUMMONS – FAMILY LAW**  
CASE NUMBER: DR 54745  
NOTICE TO RESPONDENT:  
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You are being sued.

PETITIONER'S NAME IS:  
DONALD C. PIERCE

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this *Summons* and *Petition* are served on you to file a *Response* (form FL-120 or FL-123) at the court and have a copy served on the petitioner. A letter or phone call will not protect you.

If you do not file your *Response* on time, the court may make orders affecting your marriage or domestic partnership, your property, and custody of your children. You may be ordered to pay support and attorney fees and costs. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the clerk for a fee waiver form.

If you want legal advice, contact a lawyer immediately. You can get information about finding lawyers at the

California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp/](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp/)), at the California Legal Services Web site ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), or by contacting your local county bar association.

**NOTICE:** The restraining orders on page 2 are effective against both spouses or domestic partners until the petition is dismissed, a judgement is entered, or the court makes further orders. These orders are enforceable anywhere in California by any law enforcement officer who has received or seen a copy of them.

**NOTE:** If a judgment or support order is entered, the court may order you to pay all or part of the fees and costs that the court waived for yourself or for the other party. If this happens, the party ordered to pay fees shall be given notice and an opportunity to request a hearing to set aside the order to pay waived court fees.

The name and address of the court is:  
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,  
COUNTY MONTEREY  
1200 Agujito Road  
Monterey, CA 93940

The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner's attorney, or petitioner without an attorney, is:  
DONALD C. PIERCE  
8445 Swaner Ave., Salinas, CA. 93906.

County: Monterey  
NOTICE TO THE PERSON SERVED: You are served as an individual.

Date: November 6, 2013  
(s) Connie Mazzei, Clerk  
by Sonia Gomez, Deputy  
Publication Dates: Dec. 27, 2013, Jan. 3, 7, 10, 2014. (PC 1220)

## CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA Public Notice



The City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing on January 7, 2014 in City Hall located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and 7th Avenues. The Public Hearing begins at 4:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the agenda permits. The purpose of the hearing is to gather public input prior to taking action on the proposal described in this notice. Persons interested in the proposal are encouraged to review additional materials available at the Department of Community Planning and Building located at City Hall on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and 7th Avenues, phone number 831-620-2010, prior to the meeting date.

IF YOU CHALLENGE THE NATURE OF THE PROPOSED ACTION IN COURT, YOU MAY BE LIMITED TO RAISING ONLY THOSE ISSUES YOU OR SOMEONE ELSE RAISED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING DESCRIBED IN THIS NOTICE OR IN WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE DELIVERED TO THE CITY COUNCIL AT, OR PRIOR TO, THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Project: CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE (FIRST READING) AMENDING TITLE 17.42 AND 17.43 OF THE CARMEL MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO STORM WATER QUALITY AND WATER PROTECTION

Note: Pursuant to recommendations of the Coastal Commission, the City Council will be considering minor revisions to storm water quality amendments that were adopted on August 6, 2013.

Project Location: Residential District (R-1)  
Parcel Description: N/A  
Environmental Status: Exempt  
Coastal Commission Certification: Not Required  
File #: MP 13-6  
Applicant: City of Carmel-by-the-Sea  
Date of Notice: December 27, 2013

Publication dates: Dec. 27, 2013 (PC 1217)



# NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION: INDULGE YOURSELF WITH THE GIFT OF HAPPINESS

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

ON BLACK Friday, you spent eight hours pounding the pavement, climbing stairs, waiting in line, competing with crowds, and lugging packages to the car. The weekend before Christmas, you were all over Ocean Avenue and the Crossroads, trying to make sure you had taken care of everyone on your list. Then you decorated the tree, wrapped all the gifts, hung stockings and made sure all your Christmas visitors were well fed and happy. The holidays are a lot of fun but can also be exhausting. And after the last morsel of pie has been consumed, after the last scrap of gift wrap has been recycled and the last piece of silver polished and put away, you drop into a chair, kick off your shoes, and wish you'd included "massage" on your Christmas list.

You still can. In fact, the best gift you can get during the after-holiday rush is one you give yourself.

For nearly 20 years, A Signature Day Spa on San Carlos Street has been providing rejuvenating treatments for hair, skin and body. Five years ago, personal experience led owner Tonya Montgomery to invest in a spa makeover by converting her company to an "eco spa." Dedicated to providing pure, sustainable products, Montgomery now uses products free of chemicals, preservatives or other manmade ingredients. She even makes her own massage cream out of raw shea from Africa.

"You won't find plastics or glue or anything synthetic in the building," Montgomery says. "I remodeled the spa, using wood, glass, metal and stone. It required a complete rethinking of how to live. I had to learn from the land how to make my own products to treat the skin and body without synthetics."

How about his-and-her massages, or mani-pedis for you and your best friend?

And after the massage, why not a stroll through the scenic streets of downtown and then dinner at a favorite restaurant?

Consider Mundaka, a place where people go to cut loose, have fun, run into friends, and feel like they're out of town.

Named for the picturesque seaport city by the Bay of Biscay in Basque Country, Mundaka, on San Carlos Street, is a place where Spanish-style tapas or small plates can be enjoyed as an appetizer or combined to create a meal both select and satisfying. And everyone gets a taste.

At Mundaka, strangers often become friends, tasting tapas and sharing a carafe of wine across tables. And frequently, a table for two becomes a party of five as the feasting and festivity continue.

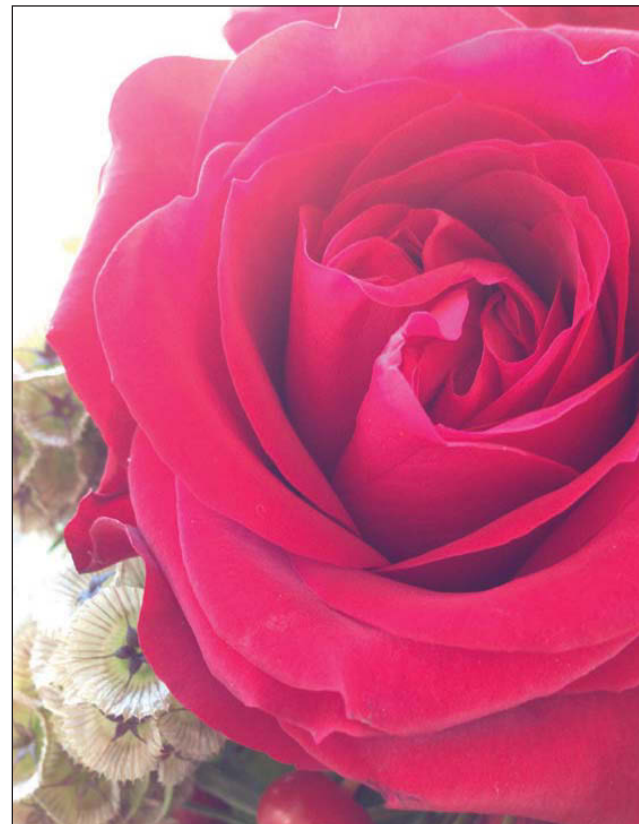
What about some fresh flowers to brighten your mood and give your home an early touch of spring? At Burst & Bloom in the Crossroads shopping center, owner and designer Lauren Orman is known for her artful and innovative arrangements, using fresh, locally sourced flowers.

"People buy flowers for other people," says Orman, "and I always think it's interesting that they don't pick up some for themselves. It can be as simple as a single stem; that's all it takes to make all the difference for you or the others in your home. There is something very uplifting about flowers. They may not be as tasty as chocolate, but they're just as rewarding, and you can enjoy them without gaining weight. I always tell people flowers are eye candy — all the pleasure without the calories."

A sweet way to treat yourself after indulging everybody else is candy. Even if you are buying a box for somebody else, many shops give away free samples while you're waiting. See's Candy at Del Monte Center is renowned for offering a piece of chocolate nestled in chocolate-brown ruffled paper. Local shopper Lauren Cesare tends to buy big, saying she'd feel guilty walking out with nothing but her sample.

Lula's Chocolates, manufactured at Ryan Ranch, also offers little tastes, usually from a silver dish near the register in their Carmel boutiques. In addition to their renowned English toffee and dark chocolate salted caramels, the peninsula chocolatier has winter offerings such as hot chocolate mix with marshmallows, peppermint bark, and chocolate-covered marshmallows.

Lula's continues to give free tours of its factory, where



A flower arrangement, or just a dozen roses, from a local florist makes a wonderful gift for a loved one, but is also something wonderful you can give yourself.

guests can watch how the molten caramel is stirred, and now the chocolate is artfully hand-dipped to create just the right swirl, and then purchase fresh chocolate at the factory store.

As the New Year gets under way, make sure a resolution to take care of yourself is at the top of your list.

## ART

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Smiley will be presented with the arts council's Lifetime Achievement Award. While she is best known for writing "Thousand Acres," which won a Pulitzer Prize in 1992, Smiley is also the author of a series of books for children. Set in California during the 1960s, the "Pie in the Sky" series is centered around a 13-year-old girl and her love of horses. "Not only is Jane a wonderful writer, but she has reached out to young people and encouraged them to be avid readers," Lynch told The Pine Cone. "That's very important to us. We're very lucky she lives in Monterey County."

Bullas will receive the arts council's Luminary Award. In addition to serving as president of the Carmel Art

Association, he is a gifted watercolorist and illustrator who creates the whimsical posters promoting Monterey's annual Jazz Bash by the Bay.

"A luminary is someone who's own light shines so bright it becomes a beacon for others," Lynch said. "Will is very much a leader [in our community], and he is so generous with his time and energy. He mentors younger artists and shares everything he knows."

Fann will be honored with the arts council's Professional Artist Award. In addition to building "spirit nests" — which are dome-like structures created from natural materials that resemble oversized cocoons — Fann is an accomplished drummer and tireless organizer. A world traveler, he's worked hard to bring the art of music of Africa and Latin America to Monterey County. Lynch said Fann creates events that "bring together different cultures" and "show how great the world really is" in a "celebratory and exciting way." "He's one of

the most extraordinary people on the planet," she declared.

The owner of the Haute Enchilada Cafe in Moss Landing, Solano will be presented with the arts council's Philanthropist Award. The restaurant owner has transformed the Dos Galeria into a hub of creative energy.

The leader of a multi-generational Mexican guitar and vocal ensemble — and a mentor to young people in Salinas — Rondalla Armonia, Sarabia will receive the arts council's Volunteer Award.

The director of Imagine College — a scholarship program at Seaside High School — Lenters of Seaside will be honored with the art council's Nonprofit Award. She heads up a youth education program for the annual Monterey Cowboy Poetry and Music Festival.

Tickets for the gala are \$95 until Jan. 13. All proceeds from the event benefit local youth arts programs. Call (831) 622-9060.



The president of the Carmel Art Association and a successful illustrator, Will Bullas of Carmel Valley was recently named one of seven Monterey County Champions of the Arts.

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By KELLY NIX

THERE IS a new four-block commercial development in Del Monte Forest, but it's unlikely this one will draw the indignation of environmentalists and slow-growthers. That's because all the buildings are small and crafted from food.

Continuing with a long tradition, pastry chefs at the Inn at Spanish Bay have built an impressive gingerbread village which is on display at the lobby of the hotel. This year's theme is a New York City-inspired brownstone theme, complete with shops, a hotel, bakery, florist and a movie theater.

Veteran pastry chef Anastasia Simpson and her crew began building the village in October and it was put on display on Dec. 4. Pastry chefs at the Inn at Spanish Bay have made gingerbread villages for more than 15 years.

"We make it totally different every year," Simpson told The Pine Cone. "My husband is an architect in Pacific Grove. He made the plans" for the village.

There's a fence made of pretzels sticks, a convincing christmas tree crafted from green caramel popcorn and stairs made from Andes chocolate mints. Smarties, licorice, gummy bears, jelly beans and M&Ms adorn the buildings, which, of course, are made from gingerbread. Frosting, fondant and other edibles also accent the brownstones.

The village's snow-lined streets feature mailboxes, fire hydrants, benches, light posts and a snowman — all the things seen in a New York City neighborhood during Christmastime. Lights illuminate the buildings.

There are also small details one might miss if they aren't looking close enough, such as the hotel guest with her Louis Vuitton bags and the tiny carrots, apples, green beans, watermelon, cauliflower, and other micro produce sold at Benny's Market, named after Simpson's 10-year-old son, Benjamin, who crafted them.

Simpson had fun with other names of the businesses in the village, too.

Patisserie La Petite Sabine is named after her 2-year-old daughter, and the Ashford Theatre — which has "It's a Wonderful Life" on the marquee — was named after her other son Andrew's middle name. The Helfenberger Hotel, the surname of Simpson's coworker, has cocoa nibs for a roof and advertises a "heated pool," which is on the roof.

It's difficult, Simpson said, to say how many hours it took to complete the city scene since about seven people worked on it at various times; an hour here and an hour there.

"We had to squeeze in whatever extra time we had to make it," she said. "Everybody pitched in."

The most challenging aspect of making the village was contending with the temperature. Extreme hot and cold

affected the integrity of the gingerbread.

The creation required a combined 200 pounds of corn syrup, granulated sugar, powdered sugar and flour, and egg whites from 200 eggs and 15 ponds of butter.

The reaction to this year's village has been tremendous, with guests admiring and taking photos of the village throughout the day and night.

"People really like it," Simpson said. "It's hard, because they keep saying I set the bar high every year. So I think, 'Oh no, what will I make next year?'"

The gingerbread village will be on display until the night of Dec. 29. Simpson said she will save some of the small things, like the people and the produce, but the rest of the village will end up in the trash like it does every year.



## Calendar

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**Jan 4 - 10:15 a.m. Friends of the Carmel Valley Library hosts Brian Jacobson** talking about recent developments in Mars exploration. Join us for a fun and fascinating presentation about Mars space missions and what is being discovered! Free. Seating is first come, first served. Refreshments served. Library: (831) 659-2377.

**Jan. 8 - Winemaking and Women Winemakers in Monterey County is the theme of the Carmel Valley Women's Club** Wednesday, January 8, 2014 Luncheon. Featured speaker is Marta Kratzek, Winemaker at Scheid Vineyards. Will's Fargo Restaurant, 19 E. Carmel Valley Rd., at 11:30 a.m. \$35 per guest. (831) 659-0934, [www.carmelvalleywomenclub.org](http://www.carmelvalleywomenclub.org).

**Jan. 15 - Forever Tango**, featuring fourteen world-class tango dancers, one vocalist and an on-stage eleven piece orchestra, including the instrument of the tango, the bandoneon, in an evening that celebrates the passionate music and dance of Argentina, comes to Carmel's Sunset Center on Wednesday January 15, 2014 for matinee and evening performances. [www.sunsetcenter.org](http://www.sunsetcenter.org).

## Patrick John Mason

December 17th, 2013





CARMEL - On the evening of December 17th, our beloved Friend and Compadre, Patrick John Mason, passed peacefully into His great beyond. His love, compassion and recovery will be forever missed by

all he touched. Patrick wore so many "hats" during his stay with us and his great and varied stories and anecdotes were as full of abundant life and character, as was he. He forever shall be remembered in our hearts. Patrick is survived by his Life family of GMC, Tricia, Abalone, Bill W. and Dr. Bob. A Celebration of Life will be held at 1:00 PM on December 28th, 2013 at the Vista Lobos Room at 3rd and Torres in Carmel. Please bring your guitars.

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The Manzanita Club, under whose auspices this venture is being conducted, expects every resident's support in this affair, otherwise it cannot go on.

■ December 29, 1915

## 1916 Resolutions for Carmel Residents

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During the coming year we aim to present to our readers a more readable, a more interesting and a larger paper, and we desire your cooperation to achieve these results.

■ 75 years ago — December 23, 1938

## City Hall Will Be Decided by People

Whether you want the city hall in the El Paseo building or not, you will have your chance to vote for or against it, as far as the council is concerned. As a possible permanent city hall, El Paseo building was formally offered to the city at Wednesday night's council meeting by Byington Ford for \$32,000.

Mayor Herbert Heron, in speaking for the council, point-

ed out that the matter was of too much import for the council to decide and that it would be referred to the people either as (a) bond election for outright purchase or (b) an election to authorize the council to raise the necessary amount for purchase by contract through taxation over a period of years. Both elections would require a favorable two-thirds vote.

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## Old Adobe Holds Unusual Relics

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Thirty years ago, a member of Wendell Philipp's family sent the great orator's hat. There is a calling card of Abraham Lincoln, a portion of the bed on which David Livingstone slept; the fringe from Martha Washington's dress; letters from John Bright, John Tyndall, Walt Whitman, Charles Dickens, Lew Wallace, Jefferson Davis, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Rolla Peters and scores of others. Walter Colton's pen and ink stand; Harriet Beecher Stowe's church pew; General Fremont's sword, "used in the California campaign"; Don Jose Abrego's sword, used in the Mexican war. A book that was in California's first library and hundreds of other things.

Perry Worden of Pasadena says "It's worthy of being written up in the metropolitan press," and just this week word came from the Smithsonian Institute that an official is being sent to look over the objects at the museum.

December 30, 1938

## Ocean Current Flows at Half-Mile Depth

The discovery of a huge "river" never before known to man, but which flows almost within rifle-range of Carmel, Santa Barbara, Santa Monica and San Diego, is announced by Dr. Francis P. Shephard, geologist, as the final contribution to his discoveries during the 18 months he has been working at the University of California's Scripps Institution of Oceanography at La Jolla. Next summer he will return to this coast for another six months of investigation.

This newly discovered "river" is really an ocean current, at a depth of about one-half mile. Not only was this ocean current never even so much as suspected off the Pacific coast heretofore, but its existence comes as a shock to the world's oceanographers who heretofore have almost universally accepted the theory that ocean currents existed only upon or near the surface of the sea, according to Dr. Shephard. An accurate survey of this deep sea current will be most difficult, Dr. Shephard agrees. But it proves the existence of deep-sea ocean currents, he believes, and supports the belief that there are other deep-sea currents, some perhaps much deeper than the one just found.

## To Film Steinbeck's 'Of Mice and Men'

John Steinbeck, who spent Christmas in Carmel, has gone

east to complete final arrangements for filming of his play "Of Mice and Men," which will begin in the Salinas Valley, according to Louella O. Parsons, motion picture syndicated writer. The site of the original story "Of Mice and Men" is the Salinas Valley. Steinbeck was born in Salinas, the son of the late John Steinbeck, for many years county assessor.

■ 50 years ago — December 19, 1963

## Beardsley Left Boot Camp, Makes Pfc.

A 19-year-old Marine from a family of 19 children graduated from the San Diego Marine Corps Recruit Depot today with a meritorious promotion to Private First Class. Beardsley says he likes the Marine Corps. He feels boot camp is the best place for physical training. He was promoted for his excellent performance in recruit training.

PFC Michael F. Beardsley is the son of Navy Chief Warrant Officer Francis Beardsley who attracted nation-wide attention two years ago. He was a widower with 10 children who married a widow with 8. Since then they've added another to the roster. Each parent has legally adopted the other's children to make it one big, happy family.

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## Hatton freeway clears its first major hurdle

Despite last-minute pleas from Carmel officials, a handful of area residents and the U.S. government, the State Coastal Commission Thursday unanimously accepted certification of Caltrans' plans for the Hatton Canyon Freeway project. Meeting in San Francisco, the Coastal Commission gave its stamp of approval after a more than four-hour hearing, spent mostly on testimony targeting the "cons" of the \$26 million freeway project.

The Hatton Canyon Freeway, scheduled for construction sometime in 1991, will realign the existing Highway 1 through the Hatton Canyon from Carpenter Street to Carmel Valley Road. The current Highway 1 will then become a county-maintained "frontage road." After a complex "urban" interchange at Carmel Valley Road, the elevated freeway will transition down into a two-lane road bridging Rio Road and the Carmel River.

Last week's hearing marks a new stage in the 30-year saga of the freeway, and paves the way for federal certification of the environmental impact statement by the Federal Highway Administration. Other jurisdictions and agencies who need to give their nod before construction can begin include Monterey County, the Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Caltrans could have its work cut out for it with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, which introduced a letter before last week's meeting opposing the project. "Because of our interest in the biological integrity of our nation's waters, we generally recommend against a project when its construction would result in the destruction of wetland habitat values," wrote James McKevitt, field supervisor, referring to the portion of the road that would eliminate wetlands in Hatton Canyon.

Carmel Mayor Jean Grace said she is convinced that the Carpenter Street interchange, with its 50-foot overpasses, will adversely affect the city. "This Los Angeles-style interchange would be totally out of scale with a community that

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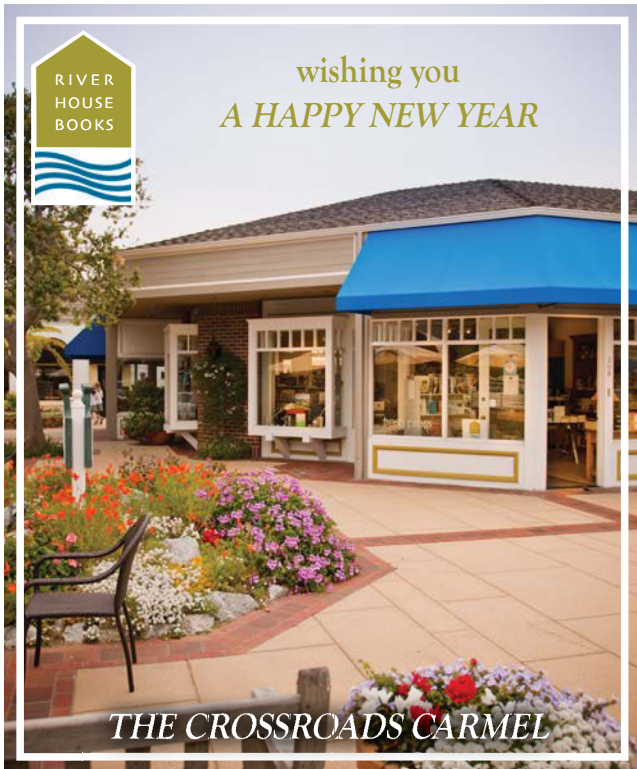
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# CEMETERY

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Co. owners Dick Ferris and Peter Ueberroth and CEO Bill Perocchi each donated \$10,000, for a total of \$100,000. The Monterey Peninsula Foundation, which stages the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am and the Nature Valley First Tee Open at Pebble Beach, also donated \$100,000.

The recent contributions were followed by \$100,000 donations from former Carmel mayor Clint Eastwood, and from Pebble Beach residents Denise Foderaro and Frank Quattrone. The David and Lucile Packard Foundation also donated to the cemetery fund with a \$100,000 grant and a bridge loan to the Fort Ord Reuse Authority in the amount of \$350,000, which the agency will repay at a low, 1 percent interest rate.

Congressman Sam Farr got an appropriation from federal taxpayers of nearly \$6.8 million, while state senator Bill Monning, assembly speaker John Perez, and assemblyman Mark Stone got \$2 million from people who pay taxes to the State of California. The remainder needed to be raised locally through individual donations.

In November, computer pioneer Gordon Eubanks and his wife, Ronda, hosted a fundraising dinner at their Pebble Beach home, which helped raise a good chunk toward the project, Burnett said. Developer Alan Williams and retired Lt. Gen. Robert G. Gard donated \$25,000 each, the Naval Postgraduate School Foundation gave \$40,000, and the Eubanks gave \$20,000. Former CIA director and secretary of defense Leon Panetta, who spoke at the dinner, and his wife Sylvia donated \$10,000. Former Carmel Mayor Sue McCloud, who also attended, contributed \$10,000, as well.

Other \$10,000-plus contributions include \$10,000 from Mr. and Mrs. Richard R. Hargrove, and three anonymous donations totaling \$45,000. Burnett and his wife, Mel, donated \$25,000 to cover contribution processing costs.

Apart from crediting the elected officials and local residents who helped with the drive, Burnett praised Jimmy Panetta — a Monterey County Deputy District Attorney and Afghanistan War veteran — for his efforts. Panetta and Burnett have largely spearheaded the cemetery fundraising campaign, which was launched two decades ago but had floundered for years until the two men invigorated the drive.

Though much of the money toward the project has been raised in the past few months, Jimmy Panetta told The Pine Cone that early work by those committed to seeing a veterans cemetery come to fruition also needs to be recognized.

“It’s taken the efforts of everyone involved, including local and state leaders and local veterans and their commitment to get this done,” Panetta said.

Burnett said that if the fundraising goes as planned, “we will have a groundbreaking this time next year.”

### Silicon Valley fundraising

Phase 2 of the fundraising effort will kick off shortly after the new year and will focus, in part, on seeking donations from those outside Monterey County, primarily Silicon Valley and San Francisco.

“We have already received interest in looking at a larger geographical area for fundraising,” Burnett said.

Many veterans and their families in the San Francisco Bay Area, Burnett said, have a closer connection to the coast than Santa Nella, Sacramento or Redding, where other veterans cemeteries are located. Plus, those cemeteries are filling up quickly. There have been a couple of offers to host fundraising events in the San Francisco Bay Area, but Burnett said nothing has been firmed up yet.

Burnett urged Peninsula residents to continue donate to the campaign, even with modest contributions, which can be made at [www.ccveteranscemetery.org](http://www.ccveteranscemetery.org).

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# FIRE

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nity where more than a hundred people live. Now, it could take years to rebuild it.

"The process of recovery is just getting started," said Butch Kronlund, president of the Coast Property Owners Association. But it won't be easy. A tangle of local, state and federal regulations as thick as the Pfeiffer Ridge brush before the fire would, under normal circumstances, make getting started on cleanup and rebuilding no easy task. But the property owners group — which is a misnomer since its members include renters as well — is trying to accelerate the effort.

The group is working with county and state officials to make sure water supplies are safe and identify where hazardous materials are.

The group is in talks with the Monterey Regional Waste Management District to reduce the fees required for debris containers, debris hauling and portable restrooms. "It's the less sexy part of fire relief, but it has to be done," Kronlund conceded.

And they're meeting with county officials to streamline and accelerate the permit process for rebuilding. "That would be a really big help," he said.

If heavy rains come, that would complicate the cleanup and rebuilding efforts. Also, the residents along Sycamore Canyon Road, whose homes weren't burned, would be vulnerable to mudslides. The property owners' group is working with federal officials on how to mitigate erosion if wet weather comes. But the area desperately needs rain.

"There's no rain forecast, which is really scary when you think about it," Kronlund observed.

## All hands on deck

Monterey County Supervisor Dave Potter's aide Kathleen Lee told The Pine Cone that her boss — as well as local government leaders — quickly responded to the fire.

"We had Dave, Sam Farr, Bill Monning and Luis Alejo all in Big Sur the first day talking to incident command and their constituents," Lee explained.

Less than 48 hours after the fire began, the board of supervisors declared a local state of emergency in Big Sur. Local officials are working to have Big Sur declared a state or federal emergency area, which could increase the amount of financial help fire victims can receive from the taxpayers.

Lee said county officials want to assure everything built in the aftermath of the fire complies with existing building regulations. But she said they are willing to work with residents to make the process as easy as they can.

"We understand the reality of some places in unincorporated parts of the county," she said. "There will be codes and regulations that can't be waived, but discretion will be used. We're going in with the intention of assisting people back into their houses."

## Clinic reinvents itself

While professional and volunteer firefighters — as well as determined residents — defended homes last week, one of the community's most cherished nonprofits, the Big Sur Health Center, was the site of a tireless — if somewhat unheralded — effort to support those affected by the blaze.

"A number of people had eye injuries, exposure to the heat and smoke inhalation," the health center's executive director, Dr. Sharen Carey, told The Pine Cone. "Also, firefighters have started to come in with poi-

son oak. This is the poison oak capital of the world, and because [firefighting] crews will be here for several weeks, we will continue to treat them."

Staffed by its employees, its board of directors and volunteers, a phone hot line was set up at the health center to help bring together those needing help — and those willing to help.

During the fire, mental health counselors volunteered their services and met with victims at the health center.

The effort will continue for at least the next few weeks, Carey said, as those impacted by the fire get over the initial shock of the event and begin to come to terms with the magnitude of what happened.

"When someone is the victims of a tragedy, their mental and emotional health needs won't become evident for several weeks," she explained.

"The stress or sadness of what they're dealing with can manifest itself in a lack of sleep, a lack of focus, or in becoming ill. They need to process their feelings with someone who is a professional. That's very common after an event like this," she added.

The health center was also the site of a "free shop," where displaced residents "shopped" for donated clothing and other essentials.

"Well over 50 people came in," reported Carey.

## How you can help

While many people and groups are working to help those impacted by the fire, Karstens suggests that those wishing to contribute should send their donations to the Coast Property Owners Association, which pledges to give 100 percent of the money it receives to the victims of the fire. In addition to its work with government agencies, the property owners group is playing air traffic control for the money, goods and services that are pouring in to aid the recovery effort.

The Big Sur Volunteer Fire Brigade and the Big Sur Health Center — whose resources were no doubt stretched last week — are also worthy candidates for the public's generosity.

Karstens urged donors to support the rebuilding effort, which she said will continue long after the fire fades from the headlines of newspapers. Even though the displaced residents now at least have temporary homes, many escaped the flames with little more than the clothes on their backs. "I just want to remind everybody that there are people down here still very much in need," Karstens added.

Working with the property owner's group, Jordan Champagne of Happy Girl Kitchen is coordinating an effort to place donation jars at many Monterey Peninsula businesses. For more about the fire relief effort, visit [www.surfire2013.org](http://www.surfire2013.org).

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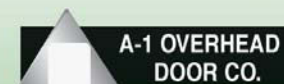


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# Editorial

## Are immigration laws only for the people who obey them?

STEVE JOBS famously suggested to President Barack Obama that anyone from another country who comes to the United States to obtain an advanced degree in engineering or another technical subject be offered a green card as soon as they get their diploma.

That conversation happened almost four years ago, and nothing has been done about it, leaving this country without some of its most desirable new citizens.

Meanwhile, visitors from England, France, Germany or Holland, who just want to stay awhile can't do so either. Under current, and very strictly enforced, law, visitors from even our longest-standing allies can enter the United States for just 90 days at a time, and aren't permitted to ask for an extension. And if they want to return for a second 90-day visit soon after the first one, they can expect to be grilled at the airport when they land about why they want to return so soon, who their friends are, how they support themselves and, in effect, be required to prove they do not intend to live here.

Even worse, if they can't prove this to the satisfaction of the immigration officials on duty on any particular day, they'll be put on the next plane back to where they came from, and told they can't even attempt to re-enter for many years.

And if they happen to overstay their legal 90 days, there's a good chance they'll be denied re-entry to the United States, possibly forever.

Not only do immigration officials who pass judgement on would-be visitors to our country have detailed records of when and where they previously crossed the border, they have their fingerprints, access to social media postings, and many other tools to make sure that nobody who enters legally commits even the tiniest violation of our immigration laws.

Meanwhile, while these laws are very strictly enforced at places like San Francisco Airport and LAX, within a short distance can be found whole communities of people who blatantly entered the country illegally, who vociferously demand that they be granted legal status, and who have ardent defenders in the halls of Sacramento, Washington and many other edifices of government who make sure our nation's immigration laws are not enforced where these (preferred) illegal immigrants are concerned.

This idiotic double-standard makes no sense and is the cause of gross injustices here and around the world, yet hardly anybody in a position of authority acknowledges it, much less tries to do anything about it.

Imagine how it feels to be someone who just wants to come to this country legally.

President Barack Obama wants to make immigration "reform" a centerpiece of what's left of his second term, and we certainly agree that there should be a legal way for low-skilled workers from places such as Mexico and Central America to enter, and work in, the United States legally, and even to work their way toward citizenship.

But there also should be a way for highly educated people from any country to do the same thing.

The reward shouldn't just be for people who break the law; it should also be there for people who follow it.

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### 'The system works'

Dear Editor,

Last week's Pine Cone editorial concerning the city administrator was a bit startling to me by its tone. It is clear that The Pine Cone publisher issue stems from the Freedom of the Press concept in our country in which I agree. It is also clear to me that the Carmel City Council to a member supports our city administrator, as reported in the same issue of The Pine Cone.

It might be wise for all concerned to step back and let our administrator do his job as directed by the council. The facts about the situations at Carmel City Hall will come to light at the conclusion of the thorough investigations sooner or later. Then we will all be able to sit back and know that the system works!

Ken White, Carmel

### What happens when you speak your mind

Dear Editor,

In recent weeks, The Pine Cone has gone on record criticizing the lack of transparency within Carmel City Hall regarding the unexplained dismissals of several key employees, including its unacceptable and ultra-slow response to legitimate public records act requests filed by the paper and several private citizens. In last week's edition, the editorial focused on those actions and raised questions about whom the city's administrator is serving — the public or a fawning city council.

In addition to The Pine Cone's editorial and others, I have had direct experience with the city's response to criticism. In the past several months, I have publicly criticized the mayor and council both on water issues and on their unfortunate handling of employee dismissals. In both cases, I received stinging phone calls from one of the city's elected officials, accusing me of, in effect, slander (although that word was not used), and unprofessionalism for not personally contacting said official prior to contacting the media with my opinions. I am also aware that this tactic was also utilized against another citizen whose critical letter was published in The Pine Cone.

Elected officials, at any level, should take office realizing that they cannot possibly satisfy every one of their constituents, especially in Carmel, where the electorate encompasses intelligent and diverse points of

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# Our Facebook postings: A rather odd year in review

THIS IS an unfortunate time of year here at the Joe Livernois Column. It's a time when our slacker employees demand paid days off so they can celebrate the holidays.

Their lachrymose simpering and the unexpected "sick days" they claim when their demands aren't met result in reduced output and fewer column ideas. As a result, we are forced to fill space with useless claptrap that our loyal readers are eager to read.

For most newspaper columnists, it's a perfect time to dust off the archives for a sober review of the more important news stories that shaped our community during the past 12 months. Unfortunately, an office acid fire in late November destroyed the Joe Livernois Column archives, but we were fortunate to save our Facebook postings.

Here are the highlights from 2013:

## January

■ For a 55th consecutive year, the Carmel City Council declares it will finally figure out the fate of the Flanders Mansion, a large but modest building with impossible access points in the middle of a pine forest that was once thought to be a promising city property.

■ Steve Collins, the only guy in all of Monterey County who is getting blamed for making a mess out of that last desalination project, pleads not guilty after waiting at least a year for the opportunity to make a pleading.

## February

■ A restaurant owner in Carmel stands accused of allowing its customers to have a good time as neighbors report an infestation of floozies.

■ Men with a firm grasp of their putters take over the golf courses in Pebble Beach. When it is all said and done, golf analysts agree that Brandt Snedeker swings the best club.

■ Scott Salyer, the so-called tomato king, accepts a kitchen job for the California Correctional system.

## March

■ Several people fall off rocks at various Monterey County locations.

■ Leon Panetta's son announces he might run for Congress; Carmel Mayor Jason Burnett fires his life coach.

■ Dan Quayle purchases home in Pebble Beach; county health officials report outbreak of the "heebie-jeebies."

## April

■ Preliminary hearing for Steve Collins postponed. Local

water and county officials "lawyer up" after California's Fair Political Practices Commission hints that it knows where Monterey County is located.

■ Flanders Mansion mission hits a snag when someone said or did something that, in retrospect, wasn't such a big deal after all.

## May

■ Jillionaire Internet mogul Sean Parker buys up Big Sur so that he might impress his bride by transforming it into a cultural reference.

■ Carmel City Council announces a nagging IT problem in City Hall, refuses to name names.

■ Critical grand jury report lashes out at Carmel for its confusing profusion of Jasons.

## June

■ Local officials report the city has reached "nirvana" following a report that no homeless people were found during a census.

■ Noting that they are too busy with other important stuff, prosecutors ask for another postponement on the Steve Collins matter.

## July

■ Locals report an infestation of harpsichords and oboes during the Bach Festival, but nobody complains because nobody is really having a very good time.

■ Dozens of locals show up to a workshop on a proposal floated by Clint Eastwood to ease up side-yard setback restrictions because ... hey, it's Clint!

## August

■ A jillionaire construction mogul buys up Pebble Beach so he can impress his wife by living near Dan Quayle.

■ During annual primal celebration of lavish automobiles, a tree falls on a Prius, an event that was either a near tragedy that greatly troubled a beloved radio icon or the funniest bit of irony you've ever read.

## September

■ Infestation of dinosaur sculptures reported in Carmel when a local man erects a sculpture in his front yard. City officials pledge to eliminate the scourge, declaring that dinosaur sculptures are exactly the sort of whimsy that can't be tolerated.

■ Angry officials, complaining that the bothersome public is asking far too many questions about the operations of the city, renew their pledge to prevent the release of basic public documents.

## October

■ Rube Goldberg devises ballot-measure solutions to the vexing question of whether to allow a horse track in Fort Ord. The fate of America's war veterans clouds the issue.

■ Pesky public demands to know what the hell is going on in city hall, forcing angry officials to renew their pledge to prevent the release of basic public documents.

## November

■ Rube Goldberg's horse track ballot measures go down in flames as campaigners on both sides of the issue declare victory.

■ Infestation of mind-numbing newspaper stories and opinion pieces about Monterey County's water supply forces lobotomists to seek work in other counties.

■ State's Fair Political Practices Commission clears local officials responsible for the desalination disaster, but inexplicably fines the Flanders Mansion for "taking up too much of the public's time."

■ Shake-up at City Hall results in a new infestation of Jasons.

## December

■ Last-minute legal maneuver results in plea bargain for Steve Collins, who will be sentenced to a year in Flanders Mansion.



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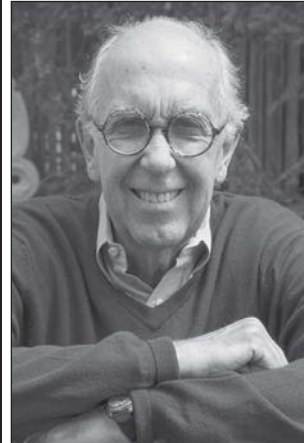

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# The lawyer whose biggest triumph came from the heart

IN SOME ways, Bob Simpson's life has been the American story. He was born in Durant, Okla., where he spent his first six years. In 1955, after his father's truck business crashed, the family moved to Marysville, north of Sacramento, next to his grandparents. "We got here just in time for the 1955 flood of the Yuba River. We spent Christmas at Beale Air Force Base in a Quonset hut. After that, they put in the Oroville Dam."

The family was on the poor side of life, but Bob never knew it. He went to Marysville High, and then to Yuba College, where, "I promptly drank and partied myself to an 0.67 grade point."

He also got his high school girlfriend pregnant, and before he was 20 was the married father of a baby girl.

This was 1967 and the Vietnam War was heating up. Bob's draft number was 67. "I thought I would be drafted but my Dad went down to the draft board, unbeknownst to me, and put in a petition for a 3-A deferment." Because he was married with a child, he wouldn't



Bob Simpson

be drafted.

Not everyone escaped the draft. He was a pallbearer for two of his friends killed in Vietnam and attended the funeral of a third.

Bob took his wife and baby to Escondido where he worked as a rear chain man — "a fancy name for grunt" — for the water company. Later he went to work for the San Diego Gas and Electric Company, digging ditches and repairing gas lines, for better pay and benefits. There came an opening for a draftsman, something Bob was good at, but while he tested highest among the applicants, they gave the job to someone who had more college than he did.

He told his wife, "This is not good. I'm going to be digging ditches and guys that are dumber than I am are getting the jobs because they have a college degree?" His father agreed to help them out. Bob was given another chance at Yuba College, and made good, also working 30 hours a week at a grocery store to support his family. In addition, his father split off a lot of his property and he and Bob built a small

house for the young family.

Bob transferred to U.C. Davis to get his bachelor's, and then attended Hastings Law School. He continued to work his way through law school, and got paid for 40 hours a week, though he admits that 14 of those hours were spent at the law library, so he could do his homework.

He got a job clerking at Ropers, Majeski in Redwood City, a law firm that focused on injury litigation. Then there was an opening at a firm in Marysville, but it turned out to be other than he thought it would be. "I wound up doing divorces, bankruptcies and wills. All of my clients were emotionally distraught, broke, or dead. This was a very depressing practice."

The turning point for him was when a client, whose husband had left her for another woman, committed suicide. Bob said, "This is not a job for me. This is not what I do."

Through a friend of a friend, Bob got back to Ropers, working first in Redwood City and then in San Jose. But his wife wanted to move to Redding, and Bob left a job he liked to go north with her where he joined a local law firm.

In 1981 he left the firm he had joined to make the move, and went out on his own. He was 32 years old. "I practiced insurance defense law until 1994, when I switched to plaintiff's trial work." The biggest case of his career came in 2002 when he almost became the victim of unnecessary heart surgery.

"They put me in the hospital. They were going to do a four-way bypass on me," he said. "I got a call from my secretary who knows an FBI agent who is a friend of mine and

she said, 'Mike said he can't say anything to you but he would strongly advise you to get a second opinion.'"

The second doctor told Bob there was nothing wrong with his heart, and he soon discovered that Redding Medical Center had a history of performing unnecessary heart opera-

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By TONY SETON

tions. On behalf of dozens of victims, he filed a lawsuit against them, and eventually won a \$500,000,000 settlement.

In 2005, Bob and his second wife came down to the Monterey Peninsula, ostensibly to buy a sports car. They wound up buying not only the car but a house in Pebble Beach. After a year of fog, they moved out to Monterra where they still live today.

After traveling back and forth from his practice in Redding, Bob closed down his practice and is now semi-retired. The operative word is "semi," because he is opening up a mediation practice. He will also be spending much of his time playing golf, and helping the First Tee program. "Everybody thinks that First Tee is a golf organization. It's not. The First Tee is a phenomenal organization that fights gangs through education."

Bob will keep busy.

## CENTURY

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has no stoplights, average street widths of 35 feet and no structure taller than two stories," she said. For Sally McPhail, who lives one block from where the freeway will be built on Hatton Road, the shame lies in the thousands of Monterey pines that will be cut down to make way for the freeway. "Carmel and Carmel Valley will never be the same again from the day that the first tree falls," she lamented.

When questioned by one person, only one of the 11-member Coastal Commission said they had walked through Hatton Canyon.

December 26, 1963

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## LETTERS

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view. But, more importantly, when did it become an unprofessional act to publicly criticize government? Fox News and MSNBC would be out of business if that were the case.

And when is it professional for public officials to try to privately intimidate those individuals who dare to speak publicly about concerns they have with actions taken by those public officials?

It is a sad commentary and does not give one hope that the interests of the citizens of Carmel will be fairly and openly pursued in the future.

**Bill Hood, Carmel**

### City 'finally has a professional administrator'

Dear Editor,

It is interesting to read the continuing comments of the public, former city council members, and the editor of The Pine Cone, disagreeing with comments and/or criticizing the performance of city administrator Jason Stilwell. It may be that the performance of the former city administrator, accused of sexual harassment and having affairs with subordinates during his 10 years, may have been preferred over that of a professional who has been hired to repair a troubled organization.

The city council settled a sexual harassment lawsuit against the former city administrator for approximately \$600,000. The former mayor and city council had reportedly been aware of allegations of sexual harassment, discrimination, and favoritism by the former city administrator for more than a year but did nothing. Finally, a lawsuit was filed by the former human resources manager, resulting in an out-of-court settlement by the city council and the "retirement" of the former city administrator.

More recently, long term employees have either resigned and/or are suspended from their positions. Criticism immediately follows by citizens and others. The fact that workplace investigations take considerable time and confidentiality is an important component of the process, does not seem to register with the public. It is easier to criticize the city administrator and professionals hired into administrative positions who are not from the immediate area.

A change in the way an organization does business is always open to critique and second guessing.

I would suggest that the public, former council members, and the editor of The Pine Cone give Jason Stilwell and his staff adequate time to correct an organization that appeared to be without a professional admin-

istrator for many years.

**William J. Woska, Carmel**

### MPC theater cuts

Dear Editor,

The citizens of Monterey County voted in 2002 to approve a \$145 million Monterey Peninsula College bond, of which \$11 million was used for the recently completed renovation of the MPC theatre.

Now, the college, under its new president, has decided to cut the theatre operating budget by 82 percent — effectively eliminating the use of the new theatre for productions of any kind.

The administration suggests that the students form drama clubs and use the facility that way. Fine, but without anyone to unlock the door, sell tickets or manage the facility, the so-called drama clubs will of course be performing in the dark on an empty stage without costumes.

What is worse is that the MPC theatre department was not allowed a meeting to discuss the situation which could have led to some sort of compromise.

There has been an outcry among the Monterey Peninsula theatre community, and this will come to a head when the Board of Trustees of MPC meets Jan. 22 to ratify the cuts. While students in theatre will be affected, the public has been taken for ride at its own expense.

There is even more to the story when you analyze what is to happen to students in drama, who now will not be able to get enough credits to transfer to a four-year college in their major.

It's time for everybody to get involved!

**Walt deFaria, Carmel**

### Canine center's water use

Dear Editor,

A recent letter to The Pine Cone (and a sentiment expressed in other forums) stated that the proposed Carmel Canine Sports Center will somehow use too much water. I'd like to point out that in fact, the canine center is proposed on a farm field that has been used for over 100 years. The water studies show that the center can keep essentially the same look as a farm and use 30+ acre feet per year less than farming vegetables on that property would use today — and over 190 acre feet per year less than the neighboring golf course.

Just want to make sure all the facts are present.

**Lisa Crawley, Carmel Valley**

### Mitigated negative dec 'outrageous'

Dear Editor,

Outrageous! Isn't the county supposed to protect the rights of its citizens and the environment in which they live? Or are they supposed to protect a developer's right to profit from a scheme that will have the opposite effect on those citizens? Apparently the latter.

What a coincidence that the mitigated negative declaration for the Carmel Canine Sports Center was issued for review right at the beginning of the holiday season and one day before the longest "recess", i.e., citizen paid vacation, for county staff.

The writing is on the whitewashed wall: All environmental impacts have been ignored and discussion will be minimized.

The primary stakeholders in the case of the canine sports center, the citizens of Carmel Valley, those who transit its roads and share a meager water supply, are apparently no concern of the county's.

Consistent findings of less than significant on every important issue, noise, traffic, water, zoning and land use are way off the mark.

But why should we be surprised when, as was admitted by the developer months ago, county planners assisted the developer (a planning commission member) in selecting the site? Then what choice did the planning staff leave itself?

The fight has just begun.

**Larry and Kathy Somerton, Carmel Valley**

### 'Impacts cannot be mitigated'

Dear Editor,

It amazes me that the county planning staff recommended a mitigated negative dec-

laration for the canine event center. With such heavy impacts on water, zoning, the river, noise, and certainly traffic, it is hard for me to imagine this project not being denied or at a minimum being required to prepare an environmental impact report. Please join me at the Jan. 6 LUAC to show county officials that the canine event center poses significant impacts that cannot be "mitigated."

**John H. Mahoney, Monterey**

### Happy with garbage service

Dear Editor,

Carmel-by-the-Sea, like some other Monterey Peninsula cities, is in the process of determining to whom the city's garbage collection contract should be awarded. Several months ago Carmel residents and business owners received a survey asking for community input regarding our service and the responses were incredibly positive. The results were presented at a city council meeting, and other than a few minor items (like having a local call center), the outcome was that our service is above and beyond average.

I appreciate the communication, the curbside service, the solar compactors at the beach, the willingness to keep the city trash cans in character with our village, and all the community service, give-back programs that Waste Management has participated in. I'm especially pleased with the successful partnership of the Carmel Residents Association, Waste Management and the city for the annual e-waste recycling event.

Our third such event will take place Saturday, Jan. 25, at Vista Lobos Park from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. I also understand Waste Management has proposed to bring back the local call center.

Our service has been outstanding and has been specially tailored to the unique needs of our community. It seems reasonable, therefore, to award the contract to a local provider rather than looking to Fresno, San Jose, or other areas for garbage service. Let's keep jobs local.

**Barbara Livingston, Carmel**

### DUI laws need updating

Dear Editor,

We have a major problem that is not being addressed — seems like nobody cares (except the police and the state). It's seldom discussed or debated — until it affects you or a loved one. It's the "invisible" crime that has become a significant source of government income. Got it? No?

It's DUI.

Would it not be better for the police to stop sitting in their cars waiting for a "paying customer" than if we all kept the folks who have been drinking out of their cars? Here are some ideas:

■ Every place that sells alcohol should have a breathalyzer at its exit — maybe voluntary; maybe mandatory — because most guilty patrons leave thinking that they are "legal."

■ Require that every new car have a breath device like the one that some offenders are required to install. The driver would have to blow into the device to start the car and stop every 20 minutes and blow again to continue. Otherwise the car will not run. Remember when mandatory seat belts was an absurd idea?

■ Have police cars cruise with a "voluntary" sign on the car. You stop him and volunteer for a breathalyzer test. If you are illegal, your car stays there, and the officer calls you a cab.

The current haphazard, cat-and-mouse approach does not work.

What are your ideas?

**Rick Strano, Carmel Highlands**

### 'The most human and original'

Dear Editor,

I read remembrance articles from around the world on the passing of Joan Fontaine, but Jerry Gervase's in last week's Pine Cone was the most human and original of them all.

I hope her big sister, Olivia de Havilland, sees it.

**Anne Papineau, Citrus Heights**

## CISTERN

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about the potential usage, not the potential storage."

LePage made a motion that the commission "give the administrative determination that the cistern should be allowed to be installed in the front-yard setback," and the rest of the commission agreed.

Mullane said that decision will be recorded "for the benefit of future decisions."

"Ultimately, when the zoning code is amended, the allowance for underground cisterns within the front-yard setback or other setbacks would be made explicit," he said in his report.

## Sippel memorial scheduled

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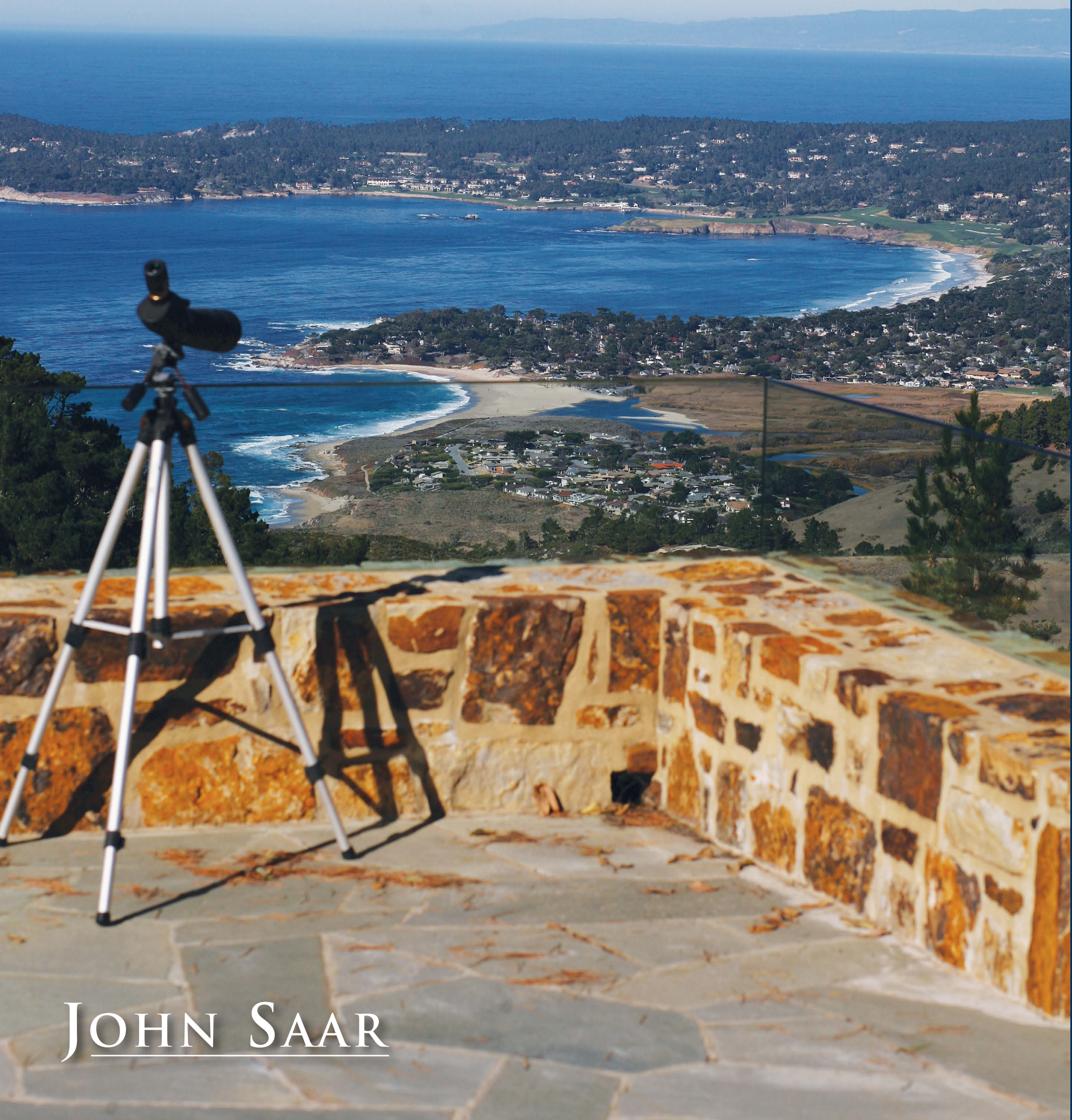


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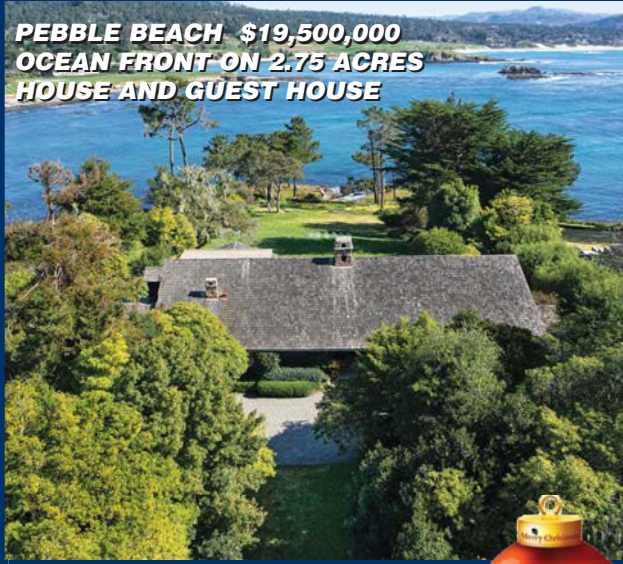


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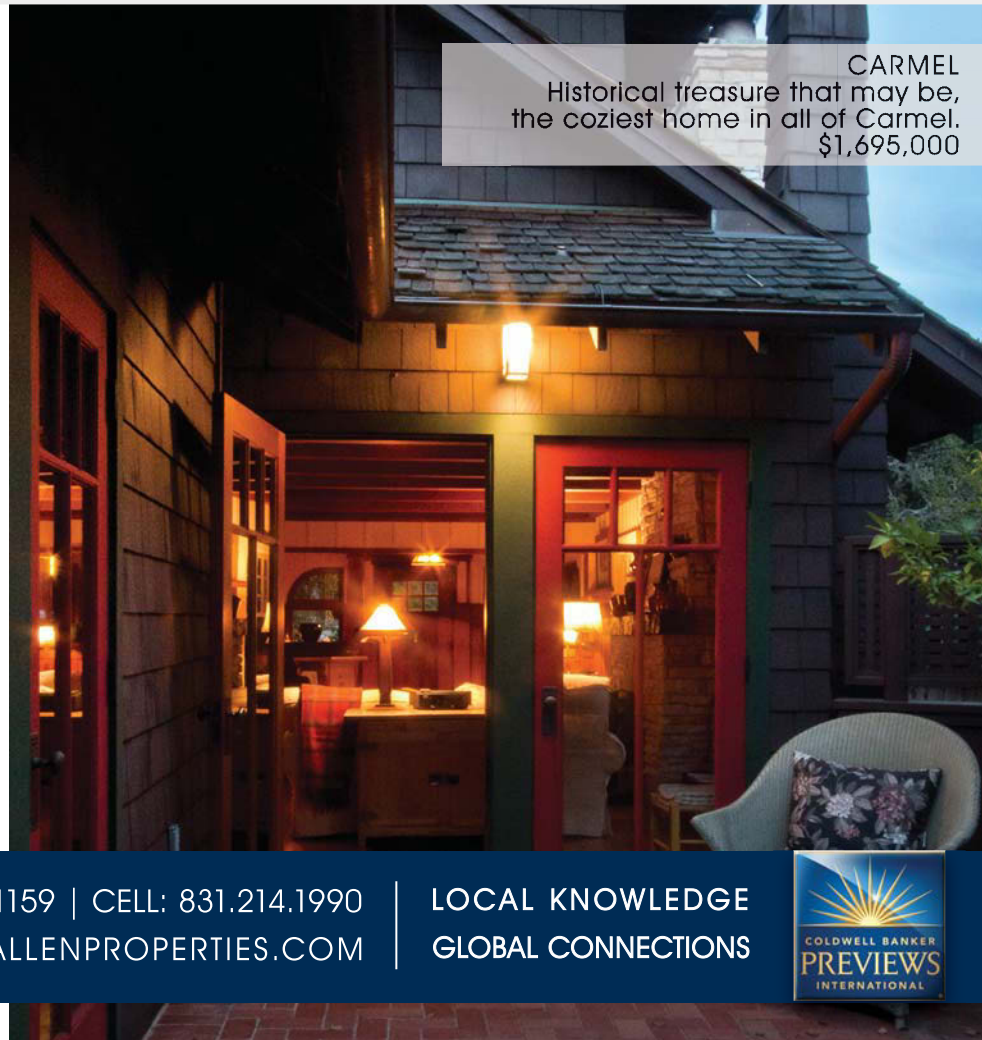


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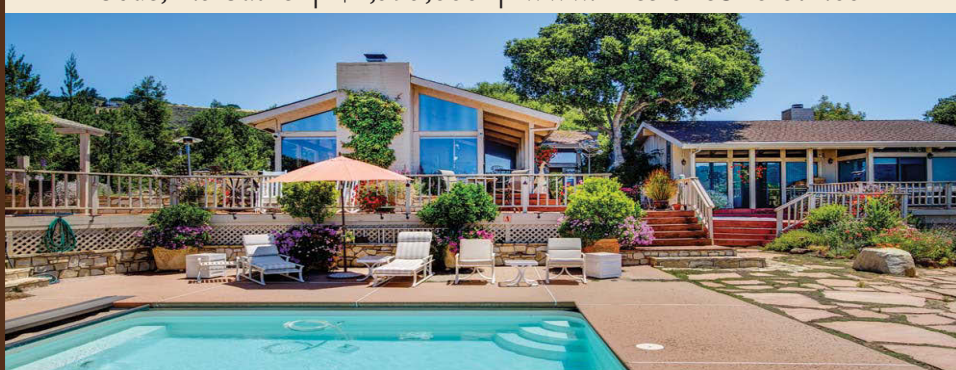
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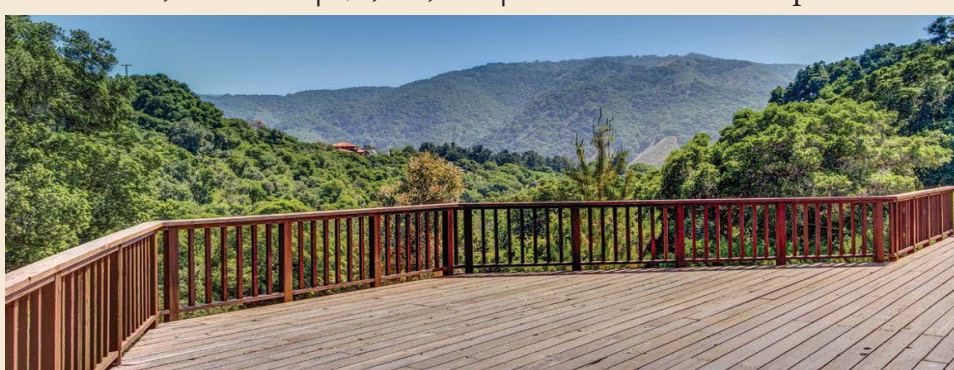
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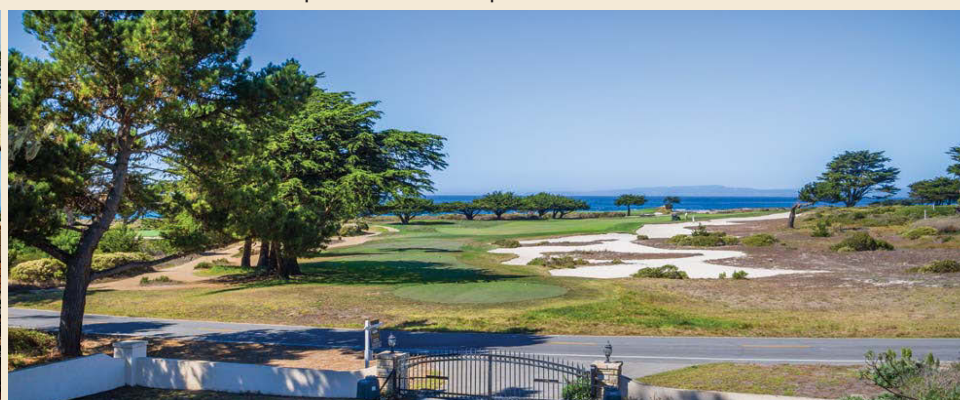
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# Up close and personal with the jolly old man himself

THIS IS the time of the year for reflection, when people look back at the past year and even make predictions for what's ahead. I've had the good fortune to interview a few celebrities. The most charming of them was Sandra Day O'Connor, who put me at ease with her graciousness. Jane Seymour almost had me tripping over my tongue because of my longstanding crush on her.



Santa Claus

And now that the hulla-baloo of Christmas is over, I wrangled myself the opportunity to talk over things with someone who has traveled more places than Peterson Conway. I caught Santa Claus himself, relaxing after his busy season.

**Jerry Gervase:** Santa, can you tell me a few things about yourself no one knows?

**Santa Claus:** Well, first of all, I like 'Miracle on 34th Street.' The original, not any of the remakes. Edwin

Guinn portrayed me perfectly. I would have picked him had I any say in the matter. Here's something no one knows: I fired the elves.

**JG:** You did! How come?

**SC:** They were too big for their britches. Several of them got roles in those Hobbit movies. How you gonna keep them up at the Pole after they've seen LA? Contracts, points, percentages — it was too much. I couldn't get any work done with three guys from the William Morris Talent Agency breathing down my neck.

**JG:** Who replaced them?

**SC:** Grandparents, of course. They love the work and like to feel needed. Let's see. What else? Oh yes, I don't live at the North Pole.

**JG:** Really? Where do you live?

**SC:** Right here in Carmel, of course. It's a much better climate than the North Pole. Besides, it's an animal-friendly city, so I have no problems keeping my reindeer here.

**JG:** I've never seen them.

**SC:** Haven't you ever played Peter Hay? They're all over the place. I do all my Christmas shopping here, too. Where

else can you find such a variety of merchandise and so many unique stores?

**JG:** What part of town do you live in, Santa?

**SC:** The Golden Rectangle, of course.

**JG:** How can you afford to live there?

**SC:** Those guys from William Morris weren't all bad.

**JG:** Do you get involved with politics here in Carmel?

**SC:** Only to the extent I give presents to local officials. I delivered gifts to Jason Stilwell and Mayor Burnett.

**JG:** What did you give them?

**SC:** You know, those stick-on name tags that read "Hello, My Name Is ...." They're for the employees to wear, so they know who's working there.

**JG:** Can you make any predictions on what might happen in Carmel next year?

**SC:** I think the Flanders Mansion issue will be resolved.

**JG:** How will that happen, Santa?

**SC:** I have it on good word that Carmel is going to relax its restrictions on national franchises. So Duck Dynasty's patriarch, Phil Robertson, will open a Chik-fil-A franchise in the mansion.

**JG:** I'll be first in line. On another subject, there are many who think the Christmas hype begins way too early. Just how do you respond to that?

**SC:** Nonsense, I say! It's never too early to start thinking about Christmas.

**JG:** I would expect you to say that. After all, Christmas is your business. But some people go nuts in their quest for bargains before the wishbone is even dry.

**SC:** What would you have me do? Roast those quest nuts on an open fire? Be realistic. People are in a better mood if they're into the spirit of Christmas. Everyone should be as cheery throughout the entire year.

**JG:** But don't you think people forget the true meaning of Christmas?

**SC:** It is a shame people don't carry the Christmas spirit inside them all the time. At least at Christmas people think of someone besides themselves. It's not exactly, "Love One Another," but it's a start. Face it, my friend, Christmas is the best time of the year. Any pressure people feel is self-inflicted. If they carried Christmas in their hearts throughout the year, there would be no pressure. I say, let's hear "Silver

Bells" in July. Bring out the poinsettias in August. Let's hear Bing Crosby crooning about children listening for sleigh bells in September. Now, it's time for my walk on beautiful Carmel Beach. You get one more question.

**JG:** Is it true that on Christmas Eve you visit every house in the world?

**SC:** Of course it's true.

**JG:** Really?

**SC:** Yes, yes. Why do

you ask?

**JG:** Well, I was just wondering. Can you tell me where Jane Seymour lives?

*Jerry Gervase can be reached at jerry@gervase.com.*

## Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVASE

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# Police & Sheriff's Log

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**Pacific Grove:** Vandalism to a house on Locust. Resident said he was sitting in his home with his family when he heard a window break. He went to the front of the residence and saw the front window was broken. There was glass on the floor and on a nearby table. He said he does not know who broke the window.

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Man reported losing his wallet near Wells Fargo. Last seen at about 2300 hours on Dec. 11.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Person on Ladera reported that a poster that was delivered on Nov. 19 by the USPS had been stolen. Woman noticed her package was never delivered and contacted Amazon, which reported it delivered. Resident spoke with USPS, which confirmed it was delivered.

**Pacific Grove:** Resident was asleep in his house on Seaview when he discovered his daughter snuck inside his bedroom. After daughter left, caretaker discovered several pieces of jewelry missing.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vehicle towed from a no-parking zone on Torres Street.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Hit-and-run collision on Fourth Avenue.

**Pacific Grove:** Adult Protective Services received a report that an elder female is having financial abuse in regards to a commercial property on Lighthouse Avenue.

**Pacific Grove:** Person on Melrose Place reported a missing at-risk adult. Missing party was later located and returned home.

**Carmel area:** Roto Rooter was performing plumbing work at a home in Carmel. The homeowner became upset with the work. Homeowner requested Roto Rooter leave. Roto Rooter left the area but left behind unfinished work.

**Pacific Grove:** Accident on Forest Avenue. Vehicle was drivable.

**Carmel area:** A Carmel woman had her vehicle vandalized with a substance that took the paint off of her car while it was parked on Camino Real.

**Carmel area:** Two female students were involved in a verbal dispute at Carmel High School.

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Man reported losing his wallet while in town somewhere near Carmel Art Association or along Scenic Road.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Someone used a hidden key to unlawfully enter a house on 13th Avenue.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Subject lying on the street on Lincoln appeared to need help. Contact was made with the subject, and a welfare check was made. The subject stated he was fine and

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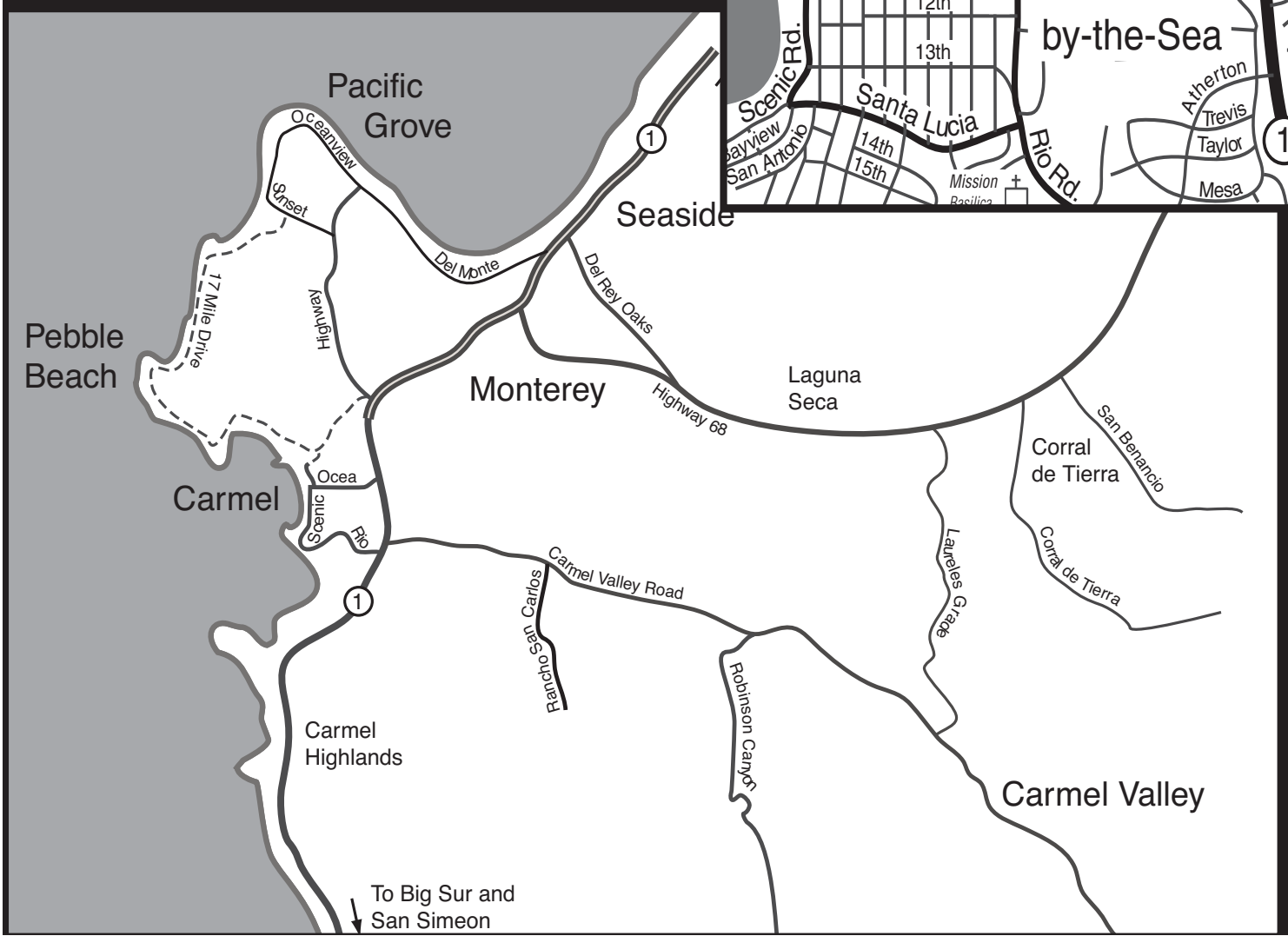
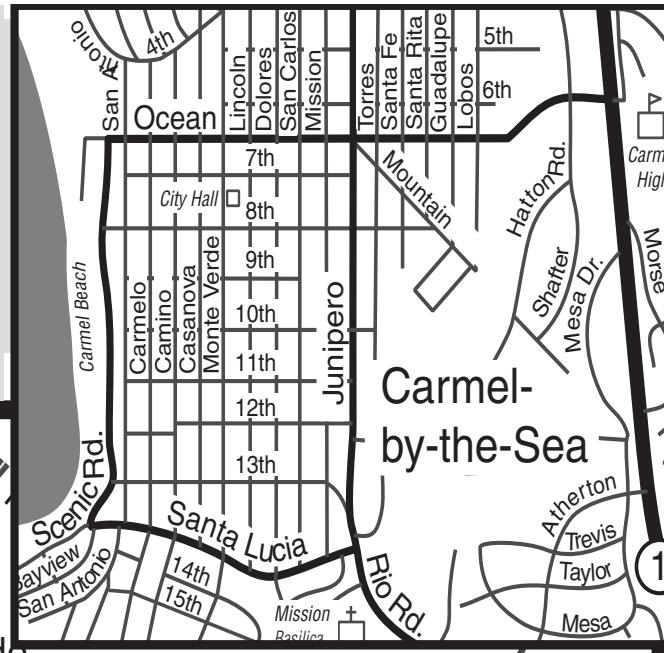




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Dolores 3 SE of 9th Carmel Carmel Realty Co. 920-7023		
<b>\$2,795,000</b>	<b>4bd 4ba</b>	<b>Su 2-4</b>
Dolores 3 SE of 9th Carmel Carmel Realty Co. 224-6353		
<b>\$2,950,000</b>	<b>4bd 3ba</b>	<b>Fr Su 11-4 Sa 1-4</b>
Camino Real 4 NE 8th Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		

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*December 28 - 29*



**CARMEL VALLEY**

<b>\$299,000</b>	<b>10 acre</b>	<b>Sa 9-10</b>
35046 Sky Ranch Road Carmel Realty Co. 236-8572		
<b>\$629,000</b>	<b>2bd 2ba</b>	<b>Su 1-3</b>
288 Del Mesa Carmel Keller Williams Realty 277-4917		
<b>\$799,000</b>	<b>3bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa Su 1-4</b>
16 Laurel Dr Alain Pinel Realtors Carmel Valley 622-1040		
<b>\$995,000</b>	<b>3bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Su 2-4</b>
90 Valle Vista Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 905-5158		

<b>\$579,000</b>	<b>1bd 1ba</b>	<b>Sa 12-2</b>
66 Punta Perdido Monterey Sotheby's Int'l RE 521-0231		
<b>\$649,000</b>	<b>3bd 2ba</b>	<b>Su 1-3</b>
647 Grace Street Monterey Sotheby's Int'l RE 645-1158		

**PACIFIC GROVE**

<b>\$350,000</b>	<b>2bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa Su 1-3</b>
700 Briggs Ave #14 Pacific Grove Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
<b>\$599,000</b>	<b>3bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3</b>
608 Walnut St. Pacific Grove Sotheby's Int'l RE 601-5355		
<b>\$599,000</b>	<b>3bd 2ba</b>	<b>Su 1-3</b>
608 Walnut St. Pacific Grove Sotheby's Int'l RE 601-5355		
<b>\$889,000</b>	<b>3bd 3ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3</b>
360 Melrose Avenue Pacific Grove Sotheby's Int'l RE 915-7814		
<b>\$889,000</b>	<b>3bd 3ba</b>	<b>Su 1-3</b>
360 Melrose Avenue Pacific Grove Sotheby's Int'l RE 595-7633		

**PASADERA**

<b>\$1,145,000</b>	<b>3bd 3ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-4</b>
121 Las Brisas Dr. Pasadena Sotheby's Int'l RE 277-3838		
<b>\$2,249,000</b>	<b>4bd 4.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-4</b>
2 Estate Drive Pasadena Sotheby's Int'l RE 277-3838		
<b>\$2,249,000</b>	<b>4bd 4.5ba</b>	<b>Su 1-4</b>
2 Estate Drive Pasadena Sotheby's Int'l RE 277-3838		

**PEBBLE BEACH**

<b>\$995,000</b>	<b>4bd 3.5ba</b>	<b>Su 12-2</b>
2857 Congress Road Pebble Beach Sotheby's Int'l RE 521-0231		
<b>\$1,650,000</b>	<b>4bd 4ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3</b>
1093 Presidio Road Pebble Beach Sotheby's Int'l RE 915-1535		
<b>\$1,650,000</b>	<b>4bd 4ba</b>	<b>Su 12-2</b>
1093 Presidio Road Pebble Beach Sotheby's Int'l RE 915-1535		
<b>\$1,895,000</b>	<b>5bd 5.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3</b>
4073 Los Altos Drive Pebble Beach Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2223		
<b>\$2,695,000</b>	<b>3bd 3.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 12:30-2:30 Su 1-3</b>
953 Sand Dunes Road Pebble Beach Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		

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<b>\$2,950,000</b>	<b>3bd 3ba</b>	<b>Sa 12-3 Su 10-4</b>
Lincoln 4 NE of Santa Lucia Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
<b>\$3,295,000</b>	<b>4bd 4.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 1:30-3</b>
26290 Valley View Avenue Carmel Carmel Realty Co. 574-0260		
<b>\$3,400,000</b>	<b>3bd 3+ba</b>	<b>Sa 2-4</b>
24755 Outlook Dr. Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 626-6565		
<b>\$3,400,000</b>	<b>3bd 3+ba</b>	<b>Su 2-4</b>
24755 Outlook Dr. Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 626-6565		
<b>\$3,950,000</b>	<b>3bd 3.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 1:30-3:30</b>
NW Corner Santa Lucia & San Carlos Carmel Carmel Realty Co. 236-8572		
<b>\$6,299,000</b>	<b>5bd 4ba</b>	<b>Su 3-5</b>
2705 Ribera Road Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		

<b>\$1,595,000</b>	<b>4bd 3ba</b>	<b>Sa 2-4</b>
26670 Pancho Way Carmel Valley Carmel Realty Co. 224-6353		
<b>\$1,595,000</b>	<b>4bd 3ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-4</b>
27383 Schulte Road Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 277-1868		
<b>\$1,875,000</b>	<b>5bd 5ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-4</b>
28000 Selfridge Lane Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 238-5725		
<b>\$1,997,000</b>	<b>5bd 4ba</b>	<b>Sa 11-3</b>
21 Boronda Road Carmel Valley Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
<b>\$7,900,000</b>	<b>4bd 6ba</b>	<b>Sa 1:30-4:30</b>
5464 Quail Way Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 915-0991		

**MONTEREY**

<b>\$419,000</b>	<b>1bd 1ba</b>	<b>Su 12-3</b>
125 Surf Way #318 Monterey Keller Williams Realty 229-5778		
<b>\$569,000</b>	<b>2bd 1ba</b>	<b>Sa 12-2</b>
957 Fountain Avenue Monterey Sotheby's Int'l RE 915-8989		
<b>\$569,000</b>	<b>2bd 1ba</b>	<b>Su 12-2</b>
957 Fountain Avenue Monterey Sotheby's Int'l RE 915-8989		

**CARMEL HIGHLANDS**

<b>\$2,400,000</b>	<b>5bd 5ba</b>	<b>Sa 2-4</b>
8 Mentone Road Carmel Highlands Sotheby's Int'l RE 238-2101		
<b>\$2,750,000</b>	<b>6bd 4+ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3</b>
151 Highland Dr. Carmel Highlands Sotheby's Int'l RE 596-4647		
<b>\$2,750,000</b>	<b>6bd 4+ba</b>	<b>Su 2-4</b>
151 Highland Dr. Carmel Highlands Sotheby's Int'l RE 915-0991		

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3 Bedrooms ~ 3.5 Baths  
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*Carmel* ~ Beautiful 2012 remodel with open floor plan, lots of light & views of ocean & sunsets  
3 Bedrooms ~ 2 Baths  
Offered at \$1,495,000



**OPEN SUN 12-3**  
**14 HACIENDA CARMEL**

*Carmel Valley* ~ Light, bright updated unit with all new appliances next to walking trails  
1 Bedrooms ~ 1 Baths  
\$318,800



*Pebble Beach* ~ French Provincial estate beautifully situated on 1.35 acres above The Lodge  
3 Bedrooms ~ 2 Baths  
\$1,986,000



*Carmel Valley* ~ Recently built Mediterranean on 10+ acres with panoramic valley views  
6 Bedrooms ~ 5.5 Baths  
\$3,200,000



*Carmel* ~ This cozy English country home and private yard gives you the feeling of the Cotswolds  
2 Bedrooms ~ 2 Baths  
\$1,250,000



*Carmel* ~ Unique & very private traditional home facing Pacific Ocean & Carmel Mission Basilica  
3 Bedrooms ~ 3 Baths  
\$2,795,000



*Pebble Beach* ~ Situated above The Lodge, single level, maintained to preserve Craftsman style  
5 Bedrooms ~ 5 Full + 2 Half Baths  
\$2,695,000



*Carmel Valley* ~ Golf Estate on 3rd green of sunny Carmel Valley Ranch with two homes on lot  
6 Bedrooms ~ 4 Full + 2 Half Baths  
\$2,995,000



**OPEN SAT & SUN 1-3**  
**700 BRIGGS #14**

*Pacific Grove* ~ Monarch Pines 55+community next to golf course with views of bay  
2 Bedrooms ~ 2 Baths  
\$350,000



*Pebble Beach* ~ Mostly level wooded lot, on quiet street near The Lodge and RLS  
1.3 Acre Lot  
\$1,250,000



*Pebble Beach* ~ 1.3 Acre gated estate in Lodge area. Privately situated 2,400 SF single level  
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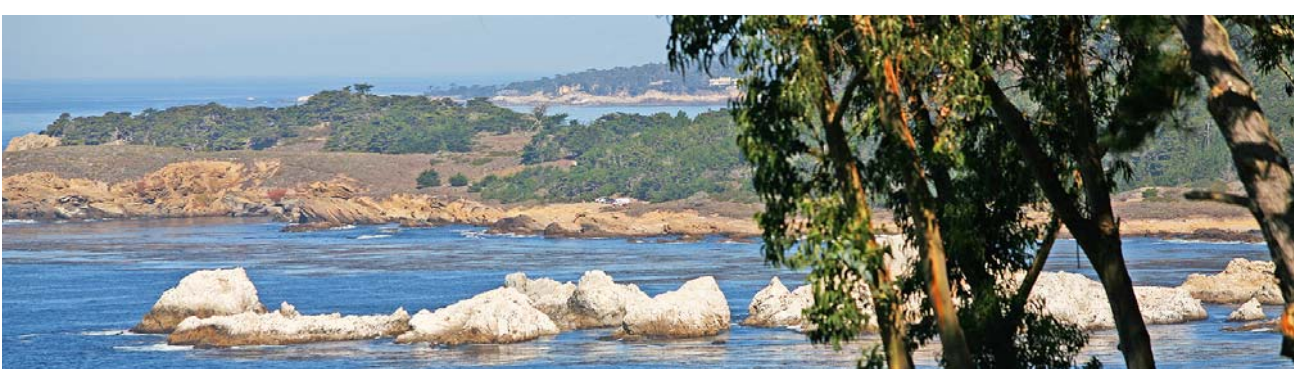
**CARMEL HIGHLANDS** | Built in 1919 and restored in 2006, this exquisite European Estate has 4100sqft, 6 bdrm, 6 ba, 7 fireplaces & separate guest qtrs. \$2,750,000



**PFEIFFER RIDGE** | Spectacular Mickey Muennig designed sod roof home was remodeled in 2005. Exquisite and spacious main house has 1 bedroom & 2 bath and guesthouse has 1 bedroom & 1 baths and breathtaking views. Outdoor living areas encompass 5 acres and are as stunning as the ocean & mountain views. \$2,750,000



**CARMEL HIGHLANDS** | Sunset Magazine featured this beautifully landscaped, .56 acre, 2 parcel, ocean view property. Floor to ceiling walls of glass provide unobstructed ocean vistas. Contemporary 3 bedroom, 3 bath residence focuses on natural light. The spacious kitchen is full of light with windows all around with garden & ocean views and is complemented by a well designed, spacious dining area. \$1,499,000





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**24755 OUTLOOK DRIVE, CARMEL**  
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**BIG SUR** | 20 acre playground with meadows and a stream running through Redwood groves. Great ocean views from this lodge style house, walls of glass and hiking trails to Pfeiffer Beach, Clear Ridge, & the Big Sur Estuary. 3100 sqft, 3 bedrooms, 3 baths plus 2500 sqft of wrap around decks. \$3,500,000

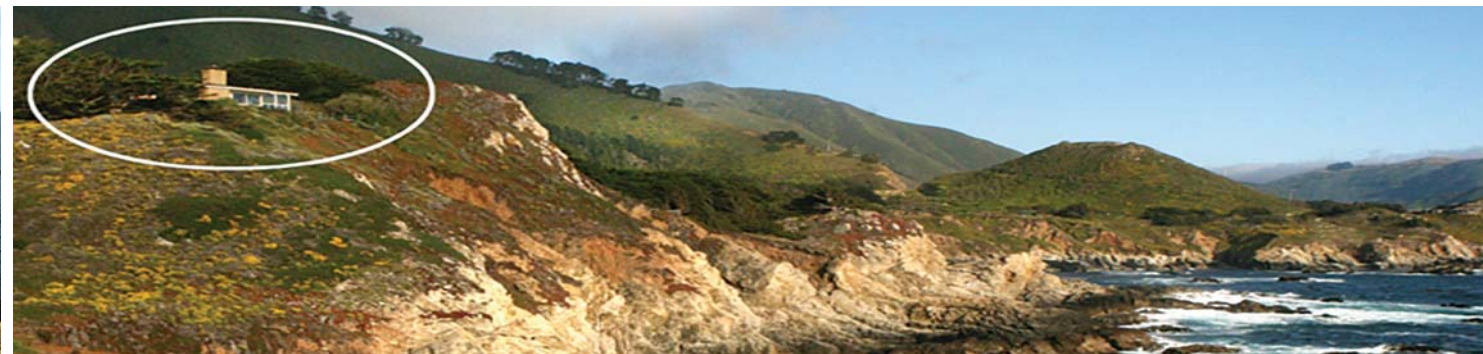


**CARMEL HIGHLANDS** | This 2 bedroom, 3 bath beach house features a view of Yankee Point, a solarium with fireplace, and a gated .41 acre lot. \$1,195,000

**GARRAPATA RIDGE** | Architect Mickey Muennig has created a stunning remodel of this 10 acre, 4,685 sqft contemporary home. This private retreat has a ridge-line plateau, ocean views, and lots of rare level ground. \$2,995,000



**MONTEREY** | Grand 4,327 sq ft Victorian estate with 4 bedrooms and 3.5 baths on 1/2 acre lot in Monterey area of fine homes. Chef's kitchen with walk in pantry, wine storage, & large island. Library, office, 2 sunrooms, and 3 car garage. Private park-like grounds feature an entertainer's dream deck with built in BBQ, brick fire-pit, charming bridges, river rock stream, and waterfalls. \$1,499,000



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62 YANKEE POINT DRIVE - CARMEL HIGHLANDS



ROCKY CREEK - BIG SUR



172 SPINDRIFT - CARMEL HIGHLANDS

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## SIX OTHER NOTABLE SALES

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24670 OUTLOOK DR. - CARMEL



32685 COAST RIDGE RD. - CARMEL HIGHLANDS



26338 OCEAN VIEW AVE- CARMEL POINT



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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY**

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
Case No. M125791.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner, DAVID TALCOTT BATES, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

**A. Present name:** DAVID TALCOTT BATES  
**Proposed name:** DAVID TALCOTT FOSTER-BATES

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

**NOTICE OF HEARING:**

DATE: Jan. 24, 2014  
TIME: 9:00 a.m.  
DEPT: 15

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

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

(s) Thomas W. Wills  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Date filed: Nov. 27, 2013  
Clerk: Connie Mazzei  
Deputy: L. Cummings

Publication dates: Dec. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2013. (PC1202)

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY**

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
Case No. M125790.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner, JULIA ANN FOSTER, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

**A. Present name:** JULIA ANN FOSTER  
**Proposed name:** JULIA ANN FOSTER-BATES

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

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(s) Thomas W. Wills  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Date filed: Nov. 27, 2013  
Clerk: Connie Mazzei  
Deputy: L. Cummings

Publication dates: Dec. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2013. (PC1203)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20132259 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **HOLMES BY THE SEA REAL ESTATE**, 2100 Garden Rd., Bldg. 2, Monterey, CA 93940. Monterey County, WENDY HOLMES, 41 Crandall Rd., Monterey, CA 93940. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on May, 1994. (s) Wendy Holmes. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 4, 2013. Publication dates: Dec. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2013. (PC 1209)

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE** T.S No. 1339747-31 APN: 012-622-034-000 TRA: 010003 LOAN NO: Xxxxxx3345 REF: Albarran, Maria R IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED April 20, 2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On **January 09, 2014**, at 10:00am, Cal-western Reconveyance Llc, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded April 26, 2007, as Inst. No. 2007033570 in book XX, page XX of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Monterey County, State of California, executed by Maria R Albarran, An Unmarried Woman, will sell at public auction to highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the financial code and authorized to do business in this state: At the main entrance to the county administration building, 168 W. Alisal Street Salinas, California, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: **Completely described in said deed of trust** The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1844 Lincoln St Seaside CA 93955-

4126 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$472,184.61. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (619)590-1221 or visit the internet website [www.dlpplc.com](http://www.dlpplc.com), using the file number assigned to this case **1339747-31**. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web Site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. For sales information: (619)590-1221. **Cal-Western Reconveyance LLC, 525 East Main Street, P.O. Box 22004, El Cajon, CA 92022-9004** Dated: December 09, 2013. (DLPP-435297 12/20/13, 12/27/13, 01/03/14) Publication dates: Dec. 20, 27, 2013; Jan. 3, 2014. (PC 1211)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20132203 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **FORGET ME NOT RESALE SHOP**, 1287 N. Main St., Salinas, CA 93906. Monterey County. DOLORES MURRAY, 1529 Sepulveda Dr., Salinas, CA 93906. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A. (s) Dolores Murray. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 25, 2013. Publication dates: Dec. 13, 20, 27, 2013, Jan. 3, 2014. (PC 1212)

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY**

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
Case No. M125805.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner, JENNIFER MARIE MILLER, born JENNIFER MARIE STRUCK, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

**A. Present name:** JENNIFER MARIE MILLER, born STRUCK  
**Proposed name:** GENEVIEVE JOY MILLER

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

**NOTICE OF HEARING:**

DATE: Jan. 31, 2014  
TIME: 9:00 a.m.  
DEPT: 15

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

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

(s) Thomas W. Wills  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Date filed: Dec. 2, 2013  
Clerk: Connie Mazzei  
Deputy: L. Cummings

Publication dates: Dec. 20, 27, 2013. Jan. 3, 10, 2014. (PC1213)

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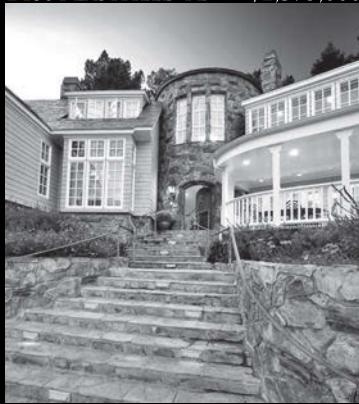
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was having a hard time walking on his crutches.

**Pacific Grove:** Bayview resident went online to check his bank account and discovered three fraudulent charges. He cancelled his debit card and the charges were refunded.

**Carmel Valley:** A Carmel Valley woman reported her debit card was being "double swiped" when she used it at a gas station in Carmel Valley Village.

**Carmel area:** Woman at Via Nona Marie and Rio Road called to report her cell phone was lost. The phone was located by use of a tracking device and returned to the owner.

**Carmel Valley:** Resident on Merrill Way reported that someone stole a go-cart from his front yard.

**Carmel Valley:** Unknown subject used a Carmel Valley woman's Social Security Number to obtain a credit card.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14**

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A citizen on Casanova reported property damage to a residence caused by unknown means.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Woman on Casanova believed her ex-boyfriend was in possession of documents which contain her personal information, and refused to return them. Ex-

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# CALLS

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boyfriend claimed to have already returned the items and was no longer in possession of them. Both parties wished to serve each other with a verbal trespass warning for their residences.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Woman reported her husband went to the bank and withdrew cash which he then lost somewhere en route back home on San Carlos Street. Resident provided their information in case it was turned in.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Suicidal subject placed on a 72-hour evaluation hold.

**Pacific Grove:** Officers were dispatched to investigate the report of a vehicle that left the roadway on Sunset Drive. Dispatch informed officers that no one was around the vehicle, so it was unknown whether this was a traffic collision. Officers found that a vehicle drove off the roadway and hit a wooden fence. No one was present.

**Pacific Grove:** Woman reported a bicyclist almost hit her husband while he was in a crosswalk pushing a baby stroller across Caledonia Street. Both subjects exchanged foul language while in public.

**Pacific Grove:** Dennet Street resident that someone tried to open his mailbox at 0430 hours. Resident informed he has a device attached in his mailbox that notifies him with a sound of a buzzer when the door to the mailbox has been opened. He stated he did not hear the buzzer, but saw the indicating light that someone had opened his mailbox. He said no mail was taken but wanted to notify the police.

**Pacific Grove:** Woman on Lighthouse Avenue reported prior to leaving home, she had left her business locked and secured. She arrived to her business, and there was no forced entry, and all windows and locks were securely locked. However, when the woman entered her place of business, she discovered what appeared to be dog feces. Nothing was taken from the business.

**Pebble Beach:** Woman called 911 after her estranged husband refused to return her cellular phone. The phone was subsequently returned without incident.

**Carmel area:** A verbal confrontation occurred between a woman and her male counterpart with whom she was romantically involved.

**Pebble Beach:** Man stated someone stole his mailbox sometime during the previous evening. There was no mail in the mailbox at the time of the theft.

**Carmel area:** An unknown male entered a retail store and stole a silver bracelet valued at \$175.

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Subject on Rio Road reported loss of purse with contents. Information provided to CPD in the event the property is turned in.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Unattended wallet found in the commercial district and turned over to CPD for safekeeping. Owner notified and will retrieve found wallet.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Suicidal subject placed on a 72-hour evaluation hold.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A male was acting suspicious at Carmel Beach. A search was conducted for the subject, with negative results.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a sewage spill into the street and storm drain area on Dolores Street. Fire department and Carmel Area Wastewater District responded to assist with cleanup.

**Pacific Grove:** Dispatched to report of a burglary at a business on Forest Avenue. The business has been burglarized twice in one week. No suspect info, and no suspect vehicle info aside from brief description.

**Pacific Grove:** Miles Avenue resident advised that a neighbor's behavior has become increasingly erratic and he believes his is a threat to harm himself. Attempt to contact was made; however, he was not home. Report on file.

**Carmel area:** An unknown subject entered a vehicle while it was parked at the Crossroads and took the owner's purse.

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 16

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** While on patrol, officer noted a city sign that is attached to a large wooden box at the base of Del Mar that had been tagged with a black paint pen. The sign displayed graffiti which appeared to state the word "wax." Originally, the sign stated "no parking any time." The paint was dry to the touch and it is unknown how old the graffiti is. Officer checked the surrounding area and did not locate any other graffiti. Public works was notified of the issue.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a loose dog which was on its way to see its owner at a business on San Carlos Street. The owner was contacted, and a warning was given.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a theft of four watches being taken to a jeweler on Lincoln Street.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Subject on Ocean Avenue reported the loss of identification and credit card while patronizing shops in the commercial district.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Woman on Mission Street indicated that a former boyfriend left a bothersome note at her place of business. Contact was made with the former boyfriend concerning this matter. He was counseled, and so was the woman.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Resident reported the loss of an heirloom watch in a dark-colored drawstring bag.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** CPD responded to a Junipero residence on a report of threats.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Someone trespassed on private property and cut down two small trees without permission.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a Christmas display stolen (pig dressed in a Santa Claus suit) and reindeer displays vandalized on Dolores Street.

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**101 Endinburgh Circle — \$388,000**

Linda and Tom Cutino to  
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**647 Oak Street — \$485,000**

NWBR to Shawn Rozsa and Melissa Davis  
APN: 001-149-025

**250 Via del Pinar — \$602,000**

Harry and Tublai Christensen to Steven Olson  
APN: 001-231-007

**55 Skyline Crest — \$735,000**

Andrew Boothe to  
Robert Whitsitt and Lana Bryan  
APN: 014-072-022

**300 Belladerra Court — \$1,270,000**

Louis Diamond and Kathleen Warner to William McCrone  
APN: 173-072-027

**28 Sierra Vista Drive — \$1,550,000**

Mark Schwartz to Dorothy Massey  
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## Pacific Grove

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Steven Black to Joan Chen and Mark Sherwood  
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**225 8th Street — \$659,000**

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**1039 Bay View Avenue — \$919,000**

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Sharon Hendricks  
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## Pebble Beach

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**2824 Sloat Road — \$1,227,500**

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APN: 007-121-015

**2514 San Antonio Avenue — \$2,975,000**

Sue Creel Trust to Lynn Moore and Linda Brown  
APN: 009-401-008

**1525 Viscaino Road — \$3,250,000**

Victor Dahir and Kimberly Burgess to Peter and Simona Dulcich  
APN: 008-212-017

## Salinas

**Spence Road — \$1,000,000**

Kohara Nursery Inc. to Rodeo Nurseries LLC  
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**898 W. Blanco Road — \$3,646,000**

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APN: 175-011-029/047

## Seaside

**1173 Palm Avenue — \$239,000**

Mostafa Moussavi to Fariba Pourzaman  
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**1779 Laguna Street — \$280,000**

Glen, Joyce and Gary Nakamura and Shirley Masunaga to Maclovio Escobedo  
APN: 012-812-010

**1330 Luzern Street — \$315,000**

Richard Miller to Giovanni Aliotti  
APN: 012-294-012



**1649 Highland Street — \$341,000**

David Parara and Lisa Emanuelson to Gregory Claggett  
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Federal National Mortgage Association to Anthony Melo  
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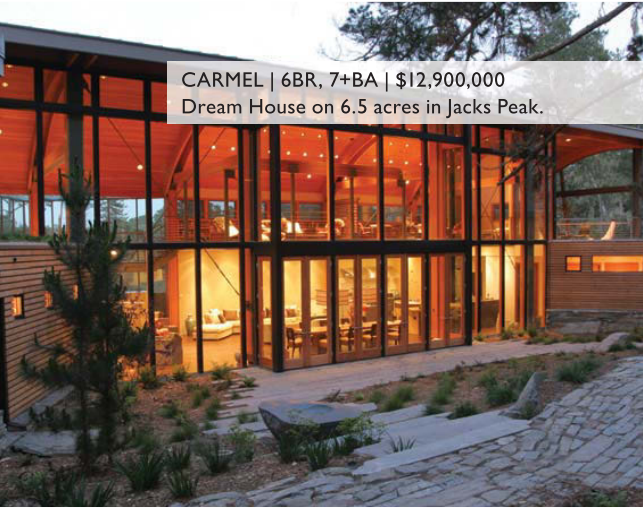




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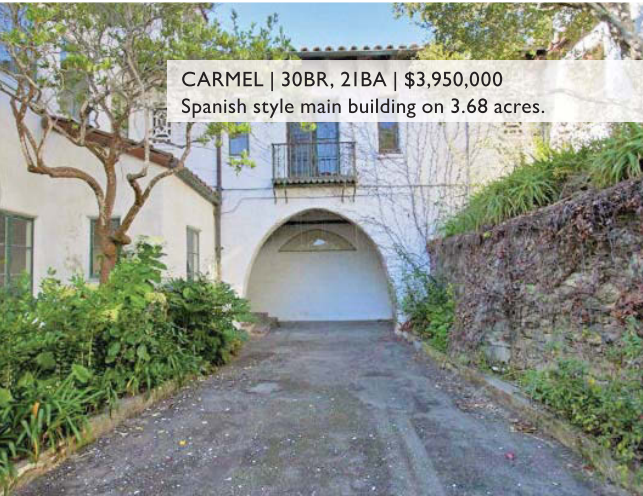
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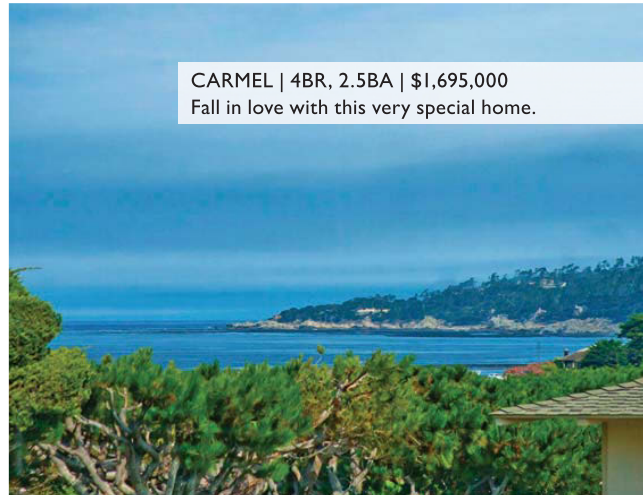
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