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CANDIDATE'S HOME CHECKED FOR METH LAB

By MARY SCHLEY

POLICE AND firefighters cordoned off a house on Santa Rita Street near First Avenue and sent in a hazardous-materials team to clean up the apparent leavings of a meth lab Sunday after the former occupants — Lucas Austin and two housemates — were evicted about a week ago.

Officers are now on the hunt for Austin — who ran for city council in 2014 and abruptly closed his Mail Mart store

on Dolores Street this summer.

At the house Oct. 5, police also found an ounce of marijuana, as well as a handgun and ammunition.

"For the last couple of weeks, there's been an eviction process going on at the house, and after the residents were evicted, the owners came in on Sunday to do a cleanup," said Carmel Police Cmdr. Paul Tomasi.

"When they went in, the cleanup crew started to find a lot of marijuana, and some jars labeled 'HCl — hydrochloric acid — so they got a little concerned and decided to call the police," Tomasi said. "Which was smart. They weren't going to stay inside, because, with those kinds of chemicals, was it some sort of lab?"

The Monterey Fire Department and an ambulance responded, as did the Monterey County Health department and a regional hazardous-materials team.

Monterey Fire Division Chief Stew Roth said the hazardous-materials crews went inside the home using "a special type of suit that has respiratory protection on the outside," and found "hydrochloric acid and other components for the use and manufacture of methamphetamine."

But they also determined there was no immediate danger, so the haz-mat team turned the scene over to Carmel P.D. and the regional narcotics team, which has assumed the investigation of the former occupants, who are suspected of marijuana sales and other crimes, according to Tomasi.

"The Peninsula Regional Narcotics and

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New showdown over beach fires

■ Coastal commission orders city to allow them on weekends

By MARY SCHLEY

THE CITY council violated the Coastal Act when it enacted an emergency ordinance banning fires on Carmel Beach on weekends and holidays, according to an Oct. 2 letter from an enforcement supervisor with the California Coastal Commission. Therefore, Patrick Veesart told city officials, the ban "is not effective and enforceable" and won't be until the city undertakes the lengthy and uncertain process of amending its Local Coastal Program, which establishes the city's guidelines for beach access, protecting the environment, development and other issues.

City officials, however, see it differently.

"The coastal commission may be taking the position that the weekend fire ban is invalid, but I don't believe it's invalid," Mayor Jason Burnett said. "Unless I'm told otherwise by someone at the city, the policy is that fires are not

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Council takes first steps to ban smoking

By MARY SCHLEY

ACCORDING TO an ordinance considered by the Carmel City Council Tuesday night, smoking should be banned in most public places in the city — and some private ones, too.

"Many communities have ordinances dealing with smoking," city attorney Don Freeman, who drafted the ordinance, told the council at the Oct. 6 meeting. "But this probably goes further than any other."

The law would ban smoking on streets and sidewalks everywhere but in the single-family residential district, as well as at public facilities like Sunset Center and the Forest Theater, and in outdoor seating areas at restaurants and outside bars. The city already banned smoking at the beach in 2005 and in the parks in 2007.

The ordinance would also mean that residents of condo and apartment complexes wouldn't be allowed to smoke on

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City attorney announces crackdown on short-term rentals

By MARY SCHLEY

STEPPING UP efforts to put an end to short-term rentals — which are banned in Carmel but still happen, anyway — city attorney Don Freeman announced Tuesday the city would be taking a "very aggressive" stance on them, including hauling property owners into court.

He made the statement at the Oct. 6 city council meeting "in public, so there will be no surprises," and said some 27 properties are on the target list, with more to come. Combing through various short-term rental sites like VRBO and Airbnb, a volunteer identified the dozen-plus houses.

"We will be contacting each of the property owners and advising them of our ordinance," Freeman said. "We will then be following up with a letter basically saying the city's taking an aggressive stance in order to eliminate short-term rentals."

The homeowners will be asked to sign a document indicating they received the letter and a copy of the ordinance — which prohibits rentals shorter than 30 days — and will be ordered to remove any online advertising.

"If we're not getting compliance from the folks, the city is authorized to conduct some sting operations," Freeman said. Those operations would entail people posing as renters and signing a deal for the short-term rental. Then the city would use the evidence to argue for an injunction against the property owner in court.

That process would be time consuming and costly, but the city could recoup those costs, Freeman said, through a court

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Historians aghast over Pt. Lobos teardown plan

By CHRIS COUNTS

WHEN THE Point Lobos Ranch finally opens its gates to the public, the future state park may be named after local pioneer A.M. Allan. Yet just a short hike from the would-be park, Allan's historic stone house — a landmark along Highway 1 — could be demolished.

According to county planning documents, Richard and Daryl Larsen want to tear down the dwelling, along with another, smaller home nearby, and replace them with a 6,321-square-foot single-family house and a 2,990-square-foot second dwelling, plus a workshop addition to an existing barn.

Augie Louis, the president of the Point Lobos Foundation, and Sandy Lydon, a local historian, told The Pine Cone that losing the Allan house would be terrible.

"It was a stagecoach stop before Highway 1," Louis said. "It was also the home of A.M. Allan, and it would be awful if it were destroyed."

According to a 2012 obituary for Mary Riley Whisler, who grew up in the house, it was built in 1878 by a whaler. Her son Patrick said the stone exterior was added in 1920 when it was renovated.

A successful racetrack designer and builder, Allan lived at Point Lobos for 32 years and recognized the

need to protect its unique environment. Three years after he died, his family sold 348 acres to the State of California, a deal that created Point Lobos State Reserve.

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Desal well restart OK'd

By KELLY NIX

A DECISION by the California Coastal Commission Tuesday will allow Cal Am to operate its \$10 million test slant well in Marina, but a company spokeswoman said it will take awhile for pumping to actually resume.

Coastal commissioners at an Oct. 6 meeting in Long Beach voted unanimously to amend a permit for California American Water's test well to allow the operation to proceed. Cal Am turned off the slant well in June after groundwater levels dipped.

"We expect it will be about a month before we turn the well back on," spokeswoman Catherine Stedman said Wednesday. "We're performing maintenance on the pump."

Apart from pump maintenance, Cal Am will conduct a video survey of the well to make sure it's in good condition, and perform any additional work.

Cal Am officials have said the test well — which is expected to show whether slant wells are feasible as a source of water for desal plants, including the compa-

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The new owners of a landmark home near Point Lobos want to tear it down, while some want it saved. But is it worth fixing?

Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Dog and Pony Show

HE WANDERED rather aimlessly across the upper reaches of Carmel Beach, near the bank of ice plant and brush, seemingly unaware of anyone or anything except the occasional clump of beach grass he stopped to nibble.

But all around him, up on Scenic Road, across the sand and down at the water's edge, people stopped and stared, commenting and pulling out cameras or iPhones to record the moment they saw a miniature horse on one of his regular forays to the beach.

A beautiful gray pinto, he was born at Black Mountain Miniature Horses in Carmel Valley – a stable that offers the finest miniature horses in the world. His father, Magnificent, was a world champion, and he, Little Mr. Magic, showed a lot of promise, as well. Particularly to his person, who just had to have him.

Except he wasn't for sale. At least not until his person came up with the right price.

"Although I had bought two back when my twin daughters were small," says his person, "I wasn't in the market for another miniature horse. Until I saw him, when he was just three days old. Little Mr. Magic was the cutest thing I'd ever seen, and could already run like the wind. I had to have him."

Now 3-1/2 years old, Little Mr. Magic is fully grown, reaching 30 inches at the withers. A rather mellow little thing, he seems to enjoy his 12-foot-by-12-foot corral just outside the window of his person's master suite, from which he is greeted every morning with treats.

"I took Mr. Magic to the Carmel Valley Fiesta, which is near our home," says his person, "and they invited him to participate in their



dog show. Except he's not a dog. We entered anyway and took fifth place in the 'looks most like his person' category."

Every time someone asked me what kind of dog he was, I said, 'He's a poodle with a pony cut.'

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Downsized to 130 lots, Rancho Cañada project is back

By CHRIS COUNTS

A PROJECT announced with great fanfare more than 10 years ago by Nick Lombardo — 281 homes in place of the west course at Rancho Cañada Golf Club — has been scaled down to 130 units by the developer who took over the project after Lombardo died in 2005.

Also, unlike the original proposal at 4860 Carmel Valley Road, Alan Williams told The Pine Cone, the revised plan will offer lots instead of houses.

“I’m selling the raw land because I wanted to avoid a cookie-cutter approach,” explained Williams, whose partners include Clint Eastwood and the Lombardo family. “We want to create a community that’s more like a village. We’re trying to do something that’s beneficial all the way around.”

The size of each lot would be about 6,000 square feet, and the price tag for 105 of the lots would be about \$400,000 apiece, Williams said. On the remaining 25 lots, affordable housing would be built, and the units would be rented out at rates set by the county.

Located on land where an 18-hole golf course now exists, the project occupies a footprint similar to the 281-unit project. But the plan includes considerably more open space, as well as several ponds and more than 40 acres of parkland.

Williams said he is willing to donate the

parkland to the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District, a move that would make possible the extension of a recreation trail through the property. The park district wouldn’t have to build restrooms there because they already exist.

Another benefit to the project’s neighbors would be the extension of a fire road that would serve as a flood barrier. “By building it up, it will work as effectively as a dam to prevent flood waters from going down Rio Road,” said Williams, who made a presentation about the project last month to the Carmel Valley Land Use Advisory Committee, which didn’t make a formal recommendation on it.

But the project is sure to draw criticism for its possible impacts on water use and traffic on Carmel Valley Road. If all goes according to plan, the project’s EIR will be ready for public review in November or December. Janet Brennan, chair of the Carmel Valley LUAC, said the committee will hold a hearing on the plans, but no date has been set.

The Carmel Valley Association, a watchdog group that closely follows land use issues, has yet to weigh in on the proposal. President Pris Walton said her group is still reviewing the plan.

During the drive to incorporate Carmel Valley in 2009, supporters frequently cited the project as an example of why local control over land use decisions was needed.



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Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

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

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Two reports of a barking dog at Santa Fe and Third. Contact was made regarding the complaints. Awaiting the dog owner's call back.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A subject at Junipero and Ocean was placed on a 5150 W&I hold after being a danger to himself. Ambulance transported the subject to CHOMP.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic stop conducted on Ocean Avenue at 2255 hours for vehicle code violations, and the 45-year-old driver was found to have a suspended driver's license. Driver was cited and released at the scene; vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

Carmel Valley: Unknown suspect(s) attempted to steal a vehicle on Berwick Drive by tampering with the ignition.

Pacific Grove: Report of subject sleeping on the grounds, under the bushes at the preschool portion of a church on 14th. Contacted the director of the preschool. She requested officers to advise the subject he is no longer allowed and will be cited for trespassing in the future. Spoke with the subject and advised him of the trespass admonishment.

Pacific Grove: Subject was found deceased on Carmel Avenue. No foul play suspected.

Pacific Grove: While checking on a report of a reckless vehicle on Ocean View Boulevard,

discovered a subject possessing alcohol on the beachfront at the Acropolis turnout.

Carmel Valley: The 63-year-old male assaulted and battered a firefighter. They were in a disaster area when the firefighter asked the suspect to leave, due to safety concerns. The suspect then attacked the firefighter by pushing him and attempting to punch him. The suspect was arrested and booked into the Monterey County Jail.

Carmel Valley: A female on Valley Greens Drive reported an attempted robbery by two male adults. Nothing was taken from the business. One of the males was armed with an unknown type handgun and a crowbar.

Carmel area: An unknown subject forced entry into a home under construction on Yankee Point Drive and took various tools.

Pebble Beach: Deputies responded to a reported residential burglary on Sunridge Road. Jewelry, coins and a safe were reported stolen.

Carmel area: The Monterey County Sheriff's Office located and apprehended two felons wanted for probation violations and multiple felony warrants. The felons were staying at a residence on Outlook Drive. On the morning of Sept. 25, sheriff's deputies went to the residence, contacted the two felons and arrested them. One of the two suspects was in possession of a loaded semiautomatic pistol, drugs and drug paraphernalia at the time of his arrest. Both suspects, a 23-year-old male and a 19-year-old female, were transported to and booked into the Monterey County Jail.

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PHOTOGRAPHER'S WORK HELPS WOMEN SEE THEMSELVES IN BETTER LIGHT

By MARY SCHLEY

WHEN SHE started using everyday women as models in photographs of the clothing she was selling online, Carmel Valley resident Brandalyn Rexeen didn't realize the effect it would have on them.

Now, a few years and more than 200 ladies later, she's made photography her career and is responsible for a network of women who not only have become more comfortable with their bodies, but who support each other in various aspects of their lives, whether work, relationships, illness or family.

"When I started out, I didn't want the photos provided by the clothing manufacturers; I wanted to use photos that were a realistic depiction of the clothes on real women," she explained.

Her models, mostly friends and friends of friends, and many more who would become her friends, ranged widely in appearance and size. "And it turned out my photos made these women feel really good about themselves."

While also working for a local charter airplane company and raising her family, Rexeen, 35, is no longer in the busi-

ness of selling clothing, but does about 10 photo shoots each month, sometimes more.

"It never ends," she said. "But 90 percent of the time, I'm meeting friends and we're having fun."

After choosing a time and place for a photo shoot, Rexeen and her subject spend a couple of hours together, photographing in various locations, outfits and poses. The woman brings items from her own closet, and anything goes, from evening gowns, to lingerie.

From the dozens of raw images that result, Rexeen selects her five favorites for refining. More of an artist than a journalistic photographer, she uses various filters and other tools of the trade to produce striking images.

But she doesn't airbrush away flaws or use computer tricks to change their bodies into those of supermodels.

"I don't alter their bodies — I just know how to work angles," she said. "I tell the girls, 'Don't hide your stomach. I'm going to dance around you; I'm going to find what angle is your best angle.'"

While a few of the Red Light Girls — that's what the women she's photographed are called — have attended as many as 20 different shoots over the years, many of them

have posed with her once or twice. She's getting more newcomers all the time, too.

"Most women reaching out to me always start a conversation with pointing out their insecurities about their bodies," she observed. "I understand why they do this — they are about to go out of their element of comfort and be photographed for others to see, to be judged or critiqued."

But, she said, after getting through the first few shots, things change. Rexeen helps the women sort through their clothes to come up with the best looks for the day. Once they begin shooting, the women relax and let go of their worries about body image, "quickly realizing they are joining a group of women and supporters who do not judge or critique their photos, but praise and support them," she said. "I have photographed women in all stages of cancer, paralyzed, multiple sclerosis, stretch marks, scars, extra skin, cellulite, varicose veins, all body types and ages."

The people who see the results on her www.redlightshoppe.com website, on her Facebook page and hanging on the walls in the subjects' homes "appreciate seeing unconventional bodies," she said.

'I feel pretty'

For many, a photo shoot means stepping not only out of their comfort zones, but out of their daily lives, and Rexeen said she respects their privacy. "They're not models — they don't want to be found," she said.

Ashley DiCarli was encouraged by a friend who was one of the earliest Red Light Girls.

"She had been trying to get me to take pictures for years, and I always made up excuses of why I could not do it. When I finally decided to take pictures, it was because I needed to," she said. "I needed something to make me feel and see that I was beautiful."

The pair spent half a day together, and DiCarli said it was like being with an old friend.

"The photography alone with Brandy makes you feel like you are the most beautiful creature to walk the planet," she said. "She is a genius behind and in front of the lens."

Carmel business owner Colleen Logan, who had a session with Rexeen in Carmel Valley in late August, said the experience changed her.

"I was very nervous before the shoot started and feel self-conscious getting photographed," she said. "Brandalyn's pas-

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Brandalyn Rexeen spent an afternoon photographing Colleen Logan, and while Logan said she was nervous at first, the experience ultimately made her feel powerful.



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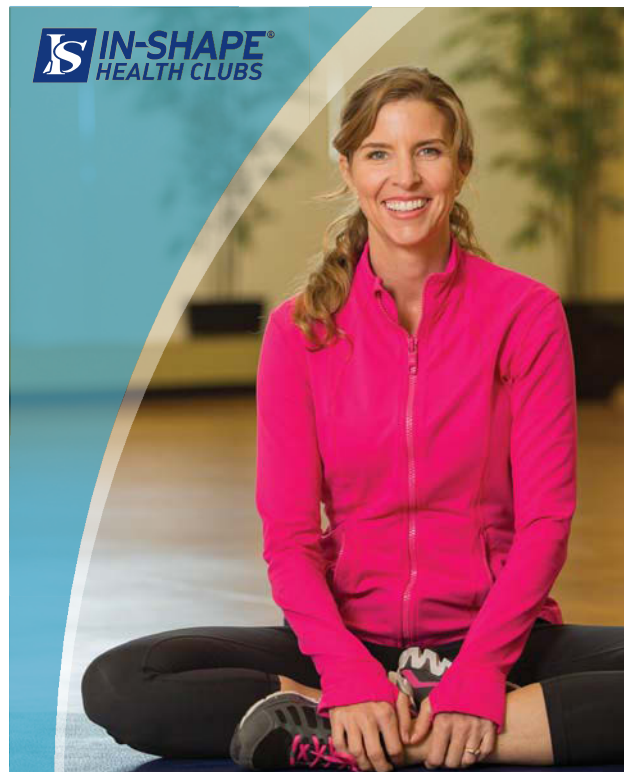
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-PAUL, 56, CARMEL

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Another way to avoid discord is to include the kids in making the snack. Get them together for a build-your-own banana split party. They don't need to know that you've replaced the traditional ice cream with frozen bananas! Slice fresh bananas into ½" rounds, put them in an airtight container and freeze them at least 2 hours, put in a food processor and blend until smooth and creamy, and pop back in the freezer. At snack time scoop up a bowl for each kid and let them choose their toppings. Try a dollop of chocolate hazelnut butter, fresh fruit like strawberries, assorted nuts, and top with a bit of whipped cream at only 8 calories a tablespoon.

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■ Failure to 'learn from experience' led to house explosion

By MARY SCHLEY

MAPS AND records that "have suffered from years of neglect," by Pacific Gas & Electric have "contributed to numerous incidents, some serious" — including the explosion of a house at Guadalupe and Third in March 2014 that didn't result in any injuries but cost more than \$300,000 in damage — according to an investigation released Wednesday by the California Public Utilities Commission.

The report also concluded the Carmel accident occurred because the utility company failed to learn from a similar incident in Mountain View just seven months prior. In both cases, workers punched through steel lines without knowing they contained plastic inserts, which allowed the gas to migrate between the wall of the pipe and the liner into an area where it accumulated. In Mountain View, the leaking gas endangered the public and resulted in \$10,000 in damage, though the report doesn't indicate what kind of damage occurred. In Carmel, the gas was ignited by a pilot light and exploded,

destroying the home, which was unoccupied. "Evidence from recent incidents gathered in support of this [investigation] indicates that PG&E has failed to follow the regulations and its procedures regarding record keeping — including both maps and records," the report concluded. "Factors contributing to accidents, incidents and third-party damage included lack of records, maps not being updated in accordance with mapping procedures, and PG&E not maintaining control and updating historical records of gas distribution mains and service lines."

Map errors 'imperfections'

Further, the failure to learn from the July 30, 2013, incident in Mountain View, and therefore avoid the situation that resulted in the March 3, 2014, explosion, indicates that "until an incident is sufficiently high profile," the company doesn't take action.

In the Carmel case, public officials immediately questioned PG&E's response, which included a PG&E truck with the ability to crimp the leaking line not getting there in time, and the job foreman not alerting the fire and police departments until after the house had exploded.

The city council demanded a report, which PG&E hired a consultant to draft, but

it focused on the physics of how the accident occurred, not how the company's policies and practices — including the failure to document the fact the line had been inserted with plastic — might have contributed to it.

Officials requested the PUC conduct its own investigation of the utility company, and in November 2014, it decided to look into several incidents that had occurred throughout the state during the past five years, to "review and determine whether PG&E's recordkeeping practices for its gas distribution system have been unsafe and in violation of the law."

In Carmel, investigators found, not only did inadequate maps lead to the leak and explosion, but "PG&E personnel reacted poorly to the abnormal operating condition and emergency, and were ill-prepared to rapidly shut down or isolate the damaged inserted main, especially since PG&E had outdated maps and did not know the extent of the inserted gas mains in the area."

The report also found the company had violated numerous code requirements, including those "associated with recordkeeping and its failure to prevent a recurrence of creating an unsafe condition by welding on an inserted line," since the same thing had occurred in Mountain View less than a year earlier.

In its initial response to the investigation, according to the PUC, PG&E "has acknowledged that its maps and records include errors and omissions — that they have referred to as 'imperfections.' It also asserts that the problem of imperfect maps and records exists throughout the pipeline industry, but is especially intractable at a utility as

large as PG&E." Despite the company's efforts to correct the maps and records, "since PG&E has avoided implying that these efforts will eliminate all imperfections, it is possible that incidents caused by map and record imperfections will continue to occur."

'Committed to doing it right'

In response, PG&E spokesman Nick Stimmel provided a statement saying the company is "working aggressively every day to maintain the safe operation of our gas system and to keep our customers and employees safe."

It has converted old maps and records to digital versions, conducted a field survey of 6,750 miles of gas pipeline and reviewed nearly 4 million records associated with it. Now that its records are digitized, work crews in the field can access them via company-issued laptops and tablets.

"We rely on multiple layers of safety protections to operate our gas system safely," he said. "Our state-of-the-art leak detection technology is 1,000 times more sensitive than conventional leak detection tools; we were the first in the industry to test and use this technology."

The company has also developed procedures for verifying the accuracy of maps while in the field, and crews can stop work until any disparity is addressed.

"Our work is never done when it comes to the safety of our customers and their families, our employees and contractors, and the communities we serve and in which we live," Stimmel said. "We have more to do and we are committed to doing it right."



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20, according to public works director Rob Mullane.

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DLI prof denies spitting, other accusations levied by MST bus driver

By KELLY NIX

A LANGUAGE instructor at the Defense Language Institute who was accused of assaulting an MST bus driver in July refutes just about everything the driver said about the confrontation, and contends that he was actually the victim.

On July 16, a Monterey Superior Court judge issued a restraining order against assistant DLI professor Jonah Shimon after driver Jonathan Gray said Shimon spat in his face, pinned him against a handrail and poked his chest at the Monterey Transit Plaza on July 10.

But in email messages to The Pine Cone and in a Sept. 8 court declaration, Shimon, who is now allowed to ride MST buses but must stay away from Gray, provided a sharply contrasting account of the incident, saying the fracas occurred after he confronted Gray for regularly “staring and smirking” at him with “hateful and malicious” intent for two to three years.

“I walked up to him calmly,” according to Shimon, who maintains he wanted to resolve their misunderstanding. “I asked him ‘why do you stare at me?’”

In his own written account provided to the court July 15 in support of the restraining order, Gray said Shimon spoke in an “aggressive tone about MST and Africa” during the confrontation. Shimon, however, contends Gray is lying and that he used a racial slur against him that day.

“He said something to the effect of ‘I’ll knock you off your ass, you effing raghead,’” Shimon said. “The foul language was flying in the air.”

And while Gray alleges Shimon pinned him against a handrail and “repeatedly thrust his index finger in my chest” before “spitting

in my face,” Shimon denies touching Gray. Although he concedes the MST driver “offended” him, Shimon said he merely “raised” his “finger” and told Gray that he needed to stop cursing.

“He treated me as a bully would,” according to Shimon. “I have been brought up to not let bullies dominate me.” Regarding the alleged comments about MST and Africa, Shimon said Gray lied and is “trying to abuse the system because he is black.”

Though Shimon alleges surveillance video footage of the confrontation helps prove he didn’t do many of the things he’s alleged, MST CEO Carl Sedoryk said that’s not how MST interprets the footage.

“We have video from multiple angles that we feel supports MST’s claims,” Sedoryk told The Pine Cone. He also said MST stands behind Gray’s account and the decision to obtain a stay-away order against Shimon.

“It is my opinion that MST acted reasonably to ensure the safety of our passengers and employees in pursuing the actions we pursued,” he said.

The July incident, Shimon said, follows years of bad blood between the two men. Though Shimon and Gray disagree on the details, both cite a previous run-in over air conditioning on the bus. Shimon said he asked that the air be turned off, but that Gray refused. Since then, he said Gray has often glared at him.

In May, Gray was recognized as MST employee of the month and received commendation after a bus he was driving in March on Highway 1 was struck by a trailer hitch at high velocity, Sedoryk said.

The bus was full of Japanese exchange students, who were uninjured, and Gray’s “evasive maneuvers” prevented a much more serious accident, MST said.

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EXPERTS WEIGH IN ON CHALLENGES FACING POPULAR BIG SUR HIKING TRAIL

By CHRIS COUNTS

A NONPROFIT group that teaches people how to enjoy the outdoors more responsibly is trying to help solve the trash and human waste problems along the popular Pine Ridge Trail in Big Sur.

This week, two members of the Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics are visiting Big Sur to learn more about the challenges facing the United States Forest Service. The federal agency lacks the staff and funding to adequately address the impact that increasing numbers of backpackers are having on trail and the primitive campgrounds located along it.

One of four teams of Leave No Trace "traveling trainers," Sam Ovet and Jenna Hanger arrived in Big Sur Oct. 4. Like their fellow trainers, they traveled in a Subaru, which the car maker donated to the Boulder, Colo., nonprofit group. They

were invited here by the Ventana Wilderness Alliance, whose volunteers have donated countless hours to rehabilitating Big Sur's trails, talking to fellow hikers and cleaning up trash.

The pair hiked to Sykes Camp, where they could see first hand what gets left behind. They helped volunteers carry out 150 pounds of garbage and even dipped their toes into the camp's murky and not-so-hot springs.

After their trek, the two made a couple recommendations. "If you pack it in, pack it out," Ovet said. "And we need people to dispose of [human] waste in a responsible way."

To help address the latter, VWA volunteers installed nine redwood and cedar pit toilets in May. "There's one almost every mile," Hanger observed.

If you can't find one of the toilets, dig a hole and bury your poop, the experts said. And keep it away from any water source.

Ovet said with a few easy precautions, people can dramatically lessen their impact on the backcountry. But the message has to reach its audience. "We need to find out all the different places where people get their information and tap into those channels," he said.

Ultimately, there simply may not be enough room in the wilderness for everybody on a busy weekend. Ovet said it's "worth exploring" a permit system that restricts the number of hikers when the demand exceeds the capacity. "You can't have an unlimited number of people and maintain how beautiful it looks," he added.

On Friday evening, Oct. 9, Ovet and Hanger will talk about the Leave No Trace program at the Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park Campfire Center, and the following day, Saturday, Oct. 10, they'll lead a workshop on the same subject, from 10 a.m. to noon, at Big Sur Station. www.lnt.org.

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Two brothers' journey from the principal's office to an office in the sky

By PAUL MILLER

NOTE TO parents: If your kids are suspended from the third grade for commandeering the school's maintenance golf cart and nearly running over somebody when they accidentally put it in reverse — and then try to escape after you ground them by making a parachute from a trash bag and jumping out a second-story window — there's no need to overreact. Despite such youthful shenanigans, they could end up like Anton and Stefan Salameh — brothers just a year apart who started out life as adventurous troublemakers, but who grew up to be successful in one of the world's most respected and responsible professions.

Today, in their early 30s, the brothers are both pilots for United Airlines, flying the most up-to-date, long-distance jets from SFO to exotic destinations in various parts of the world. Before too long, if you're on a flight to China or Japan, you may find yourself with two Salamehs in the cockpit.

"There are other siblings who are pilots at United," said Anton Salameh, 34, at home in Pacific Grove during a break between his regular flights from San Francisco to Chengdu, China. "But the fact that we fly out of the same base and in the same fleet, and by the end of the year we may even share the cockpit, is unique."

"We got in a lot of trouble and spent a lot of time in the principal's office when we were kids, and I like to say I took my cues from Anton," said Stefan Salameh, the younger of the two. "Even as pilots, I've always looked up to my brother and taken guidance from him."

From a very early age

The path the Salameh brothers shared has taken them to careers in the cockpit of the Boeing 787, a 250-passenger airplane that's the newest jetliner in the sky. Needless to say, having two sons in such a demanding profession makes their father very proud — but he also might be a little jealous.

"If there's anything I've accomplished, it's my two sons," said Tony Salameh, whose life's journey took him from a childhood in Jerusalem, to hotel management school in Switzerland, and then to the Monterey Peninsula, where his first job was at Quail Lodge. In 1980, he went on to establish one of Carmel's most distinctive restaurants, Anton & Michel, in the Court of the Fountains on Dolores Street, where he is still the owner.

"When I was a child, I wanted to grow up to be an airline pilot, but my family was in the hotel business, and my father insisted I go into it, too," Tony Salameh added.

Despite not being able to fly big jets himself, his enthusiasm for aviation led him to take his sons to airports and show them airplanes almost as soon as they could walk. Also, his Jordanian heritage, plus wife Maria's roots in Ireland, meant the family regularly took long trips to visit relatives.

"When we were traveling, no matter how long the flight was, Anton and Stefan would not sit still, so the flight attendants would let them hand out peanuts or something — anything to keep them busy," Tony Salameh said. "They wanted to help."

Later, in those pre-9/11 days, the boys were sometimes even able to observe the goings-on in the cockpit.

"I don't remember a time in my life not wanting to be a pilot," said Anton, who got his license while he was in high school at Palma in Salinas, soloed at 16, and went on to earn

a B.S. in professional aeronautics at Embry Riddle University in Prescott, Ariz.

His earliest flight instructor, Matt Nelson, recalled how enthusiastic Anton was when he started to fly — and what a natural he was.

"Anything that was in the air fascinated him," said Nelson, who serves on the board of the Monterey Peninsula airport. "And the level of interest and maturity he showed in the cockpit was always surprising and refreshing to see."

Stefan started out intending to go into aerospace design, and after high school got an engineering degree at UC San Diego, but soon ended up in the cockpit anyway.

"I was always interested in the technical and design aspects," added Stefan. "It was later that I became more attached to the flying side."

Anton started out flying for a commuter carrier out of Phoenix, while Stefan's first professional job was handling tourist flights from Las Vegas to the Grand Canyon. Later, both moved to Continental, and then became pilots for

United after it merged with Continental in 2010.

Early in their airline careers, they usually flew workhorse jets like the 737, 757 and 767. But with United's growing fleet of long-range 787s, there are new horizons opening up for them — literally.

"We just announced Tel Aviv and Auckland as new destinations, so I'm in heaven," Anton said.

"This aircraft is opening up a lot of new nonstop routes, and it's a good airplane to be on, so there are going to be a lot of exciting new places to see," agreed Stefan, who recently completed his training on the 787.

No matter where they go, however, they both love to come home to the Monterey Peninsula.

"I find it amazing what globalization has done, but after traveling the world, it's always good to come back here," said Stefan, who lives in Monterey.

"This is the greatest place on all the planet to call home," agreed Anton. "I've hit every corner of the world, and I've never found any place as magnificent."

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Stefan, Tony and Anton Salameh outside the family's restaurant, Anton & Michel, in downtown Carmel. When he was young, Tony Salameh wanted to become an airline pilot, but it was his sons — both of them — who made that dream come true.

Court to weigh \$3M 'user fee'

By KELLY NIX

CALIFORNIA SUPREME Court justices in November will hear arguments for and against a "user fee" that had been tacked onto Monterey Peninsula customers' water bills until early 2010.

On Nov. 3, attorneys for the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and the California Public Utilities Commission — the agency that tried to stop the fee from being collected — will present their arguments in Sacramento.

The water district began tacking the 8.325 percent user fee onto local water bills in 1983, and had used it for, among other things, Carmel River restoration efforts and staffing costs. But in 2009, a CPUC judge said the district could no longer collect the fee. The decision prompted the district in 2013 to file suit over the user fee, which generated nearly \$3 million the last year it was collected.

"We should have the autonomy as a local district to establish the fee, and it shouldn't be up to the CPUC to decide on it," water district general manager Dave Stoldt told The Pine Cone Wednesday.

The user fee, along with a separate "water supply charge" — which was challenged in court early this year by the Monterey Peninsula Taxpayers Association — represent the water district's primary funding sources. A judge ruled against the taxpayer group, which appealed the decision.

Stoldt said the water district's attorney, David Laredo, and its outside counsel, Tom McBride, would argue the district's case before the Supreme Court justices.

But the justices "will probably already have a decision in mind," Stoldt said, "and the oral arguments probably won't sway them."

He pointed to the CPUC's own surcharge it places on Cal Am bills to help fund the state agency's costs.

"They can pick and choose what to do with their money," Stoldt said, "but they say we can't pick and choose what to do with ours."

If Supreme Court justices rule against the water district, it would be a precedent-setting case in California.

Ironically, though, if the justices rule in the district's favor, the district could find itself with too much revenue.

"We can't over collect for the services we provide, so the combination of the user fee and the water supply charge would generate too much revenue," he said.

In that event, the district could, for instance, reduce the amount of the 8.325-percent fee, which also helps pay for water storage facilities and various water conservation activities.

When California Public Utilities Commission administrative law judge Maribeth Bushey overturned the user fee, she determined that the water district failed, in part, to demonstrate the "cost-effectiveness" of the fee, and to resolve questions concerning possible duplication of costs and activities.

The CPUC and the water district tried to settle the matter out of court, but talks failed in December 2013.

The district's 2015/2016 total annual budget is \$13,411,500, of which \$2,269,100, or 17 percent, includes funds from Cal Am and other agencies which are ultimately collected from the public. About \$3.4 million, or 25 percent of the budget, goes toward district personnel costs.

Proposed changes on Fisherman's Wharf raise questions about Tidelands Trust

By ELAINE HESSER

THE PEOPLE who run businesses on Monterey's Fisherman's Wharf and the commercial wharf next door are used to the challenges of constantly repainting and fighting rust and other damage from the salty environment — not to mention having to rent a boat to do simple plumbing repairs.

Both Kevin Phillips of Abalonetti and the Big Fish Grill, and Dominic Mercurio, who owns Café Fina and has a 50 percent interest in Domenico's, said they just wished more people understood that their responsibilities for maintenance in and below their restaurants are far beyond what land-loving restaurants have to deal with.

"Most people outside of the wharf don't understand the underlying financial challenges of doing business on a pier where the tenant pays to maintain the pilings," Phillips wrote in an email. Mercurio agreed, "The people that work on this wharf work hard. People don't understand the risk we take."

So, earlier this year, when the Monterey City Council started discussions about charging businesses a new fee to do things like maintain the wharf's

public restrooms, the owners not only resisted the fee — they started asking questions about the Tidelands Trust Fund, which they learned has \$8 million in it that's supposed to go to maintenance and upkeep of waterfront facilities.

The arrangement is common up and down the state; cities and harbor districts are allowed to use the land immediately adjacent to their shorelines for wharves, marinas and boat ramps, or even lease it to private businesses, provided that income from the land is deposited into a Tidelands Trust Fund and used exclusively for maintenance or improvements in the offshore zone.

The maintenance fee proposed by the city would be used to pay for work covered by the trust fund, so the obvious question is, "Why not use the trust fund instead of imposing a new fee?"

But the city wants to hang onto the \$8 million because it has other (unspecified) projects in mind, and because it's losing money on other waterfront operations — at least according to a spreadsheet provided by city finance manager Jimmy Forbis.

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Even a naturally beautiful waterfront like Monterey's requires maintenance, and the Tidelands Trust Fund was established to do just that. It's understandable that business owners on Fisherman's Wharf are questioning the necessity of a new fee the city's considering.



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P.G. City Council approves changes to downtown parking

By KELLY NIX

VISITORS TO downtown Pacific Grove will have less time to dine at downtown restaurants and peruse stores, but moviegoers will still have plenty of time to catch a flick, according to new downtown parking changes approved by the city council Wednesday.

The revisions, which won't take effect until the first week of 2016, include the elimination of the generous 3-hour parking on Lighthouse Avenue and Forest Avenue implemented earlier this year. Those spaces will revert back to 2-hour parking.

"The business improvement district requested that the ordinance not go into effect until January 4, because of the holiday season, and the council concurred," community and economic development director Mark Brodeur told The Pine Cone Thursday.

The city first considered the changes at an August 19 meeting. There are 911 parking spaces in Pacific Grove's commercial downtown area.

The city's 3-hour pilot parking program, dubbed "park once," was designed to give patrons the ability to dine at restaurants and "still have time to stroll along our sidewalks and make a second purchase." But city officials found that visitors didn't park as long as they expected.

"On average, parking patrons stayed an average of one hour and fifteen minutes," according to a city parking analysis. "This suggests that since there are readily available spaces throughout downtown, [visitors] could easily get back into their car and find another space closer to their intended second stop rather than walking."

Three-hour parking will continue on all other downtown streets and the municipal lots at Fandango restaurant, the rear of Lighthouse Cinemas and on 15th Street to encourage store-owners and their workers to park in city lots. The municipal lots at Peppers restaurant and Grove Market will continue to offer 90-minute parking.

Four parking spaces on the east side of Congress next to the post office that are currently 3-hour spots will be reduced

to 90 minutes.

The city originally proposed converting 16 24-hour parking spaces behind the movie theater to 3-hour spaces.

"After further consideration the council requested we remove that recommendation, as 24-hour parking is available" to moviegoers, Brodeur said, "and the 24-hour spaces provide parking for shopkeepers."

Though the city had proposed modifying downtown parking limit signs to say "For Customers Only" to discourage shopkeepers from parking in front of their stores, Brodeur said that didn't happen.

"Our consulting traffic engineer and city attorney told us we could not place such language on a regulatory sign because we cannot enforce it," he said.

Parking ban to help solve mess at Bixby Bridge

By CHRIS COUNTS

AFTER RECEIVING numerous complaints about tourists blocking the entrance to the Old Coast Road at Bixby Bridge in Big Sur with their cars, Monterey County officials are proposing to do something about it.

On busy weekends, visitors have managed to turn the entrance to the dirt road into a parking lot as they seek a closer look at the iconic bridge. While they gaze and take selfies, they also block access for residents and emergency vehicles.

The county board of supervisors will consider adopting an ordinance that would prohibit parking on the north side of the Old Coast Road immediately east off Highway 1 for a distance of 350 feet. A hearing is set for Oct. 20 in Salinas.

County planners traveled to the site and verified concerns about the parking quagmire.

"During the evaluation, staff observed vehicles parking on the Old Coast Road to view the Bixby Bridge," a report reads. "These vehicles were blocking the Old Coast Road, obstructing through traffic and potentially affecting emergency response times. As a result, there is a need to restrict parking on one side of the roadway."

"It's very dangerous," Bill Nye told The Pine Cone this past summer. "People park haphazardly, and they are often forced to back out onto the highway. There have been times when you couldn't get an emergency vehicle on the road, much less the cars of the people who live here."

Built in the 1930s, the 280-foot-high Bixby Bridge is one of the most famous on earth. As a result, it has become a magnet for tourists, which has added to the increasing congestion along Highway 1.

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A life in Major League baseball

By ROSE EVERS

LOTS OF kids play catch with the adults in their neighborhoods, but when your neighbor is Mike Aldrete, it just might be on a major league baseball diamond.

The Carmel native is now bench coach with the Oakland Athletics. Just before the end of the season, Aldrete invited two lucky 11-year-old boys down on the green at the Oakland Coliseum: his Highway 68 neighbor Joe Joe Cardinale and Cardinale's buddy Finn Evers. (Disclosure: Finn is my kid, and I made sure to tag along.)

We got field passes courtesy of Aldrete and stood near home plate when the A's took batting practice before playing the S.F. Giants. Aldrete was hitting balls, but when

he saw Cardinale he came right over smiling and said, "How ya doing, Joe Joe?"

Fifty-four-year-old Aldrete, a Monterey High graduate, spent the last seven years as hitting and then bench coach for the St. Louis Cardinals, the monster of an organization that blasted past all other MLB teams this year with 100 wins.

"The Cardinals are a great organization — incredible — and not anything you'd want to get away from," said Aldrete. "But the lure of Oakland, and being able to work with Bob Melvin again, seeing my family on a regular basis, trumped no matter how good St. Louis was," he said.

The A's have had an abysmal year and finished last place in the AL West, but that didn't mean a thing to Joe Joe and Finn when

they were just inches away from the professional players they've only seen from the stands or on TV.

Pitching ace Sonny Gray strolled over and said hello; manager Bob Melvin signed the boys' bats and hats; rookie phenom Billy Burns — who's been compared to Ricky Henderson for his speed and base-stealing ability — was stretching just a few feet way.

"I can't believe it. It's a lot different than I thought it would be," said Joe Joe. "It seems unreal!"

Aldrete played catch with Joe Joe for a few minutes while Finn got to toss some balls with assistant hitting/catching coach Marcus Jensen.

"I was nervous!" said Finn. "I was playing catch with a Major League player!"

Sign of a true fan

Despite the blown leads and bullpen screw ups that doomed the Athletics' record this year, the zany East Bay fan base thrives on the underdog zeitgeist of the low-budget A's. Oftentimes a half-filled stadium sounds like it's packed with 50,000 fans.

"I wish we could have given them a better product this year, but I think in the future we will," said Aldrete. "They deserve it. They come out to enjoy the game and support the

players and there are no other motives — that's a sign of a true fan."

The Athletics won the Western Division in both 2012 and 2013, and had the best record in baseball last year up until July when they sent seven of their players to the All-Star game — and then imploded on a losing streak that's become known as the Season of a Thousand Cuts.

So it's interesting that, when asked who he thought had a chance at the World Series championship, Aldrete mentioned two teams that are being bolstered by former A's players in trades that fans are still bitter about — third baseman Josh Donaldson and Cuban slugger Yoenis Cespedes.

"It looks like Toronto is steamrolling its way in there, and the National League is wide open. The Mets have a good thing going," said Aldrete.

He also thinks the Dodgers with their pitching greats Kershaw and Greinke are a strong possibility, and of course the Cardinals, but I was surprised by which team he wants to win.

The Texas Rangers? The A's just got swept in three games by Texas! While we fans can hold a grudge until the end of time, Aldrete

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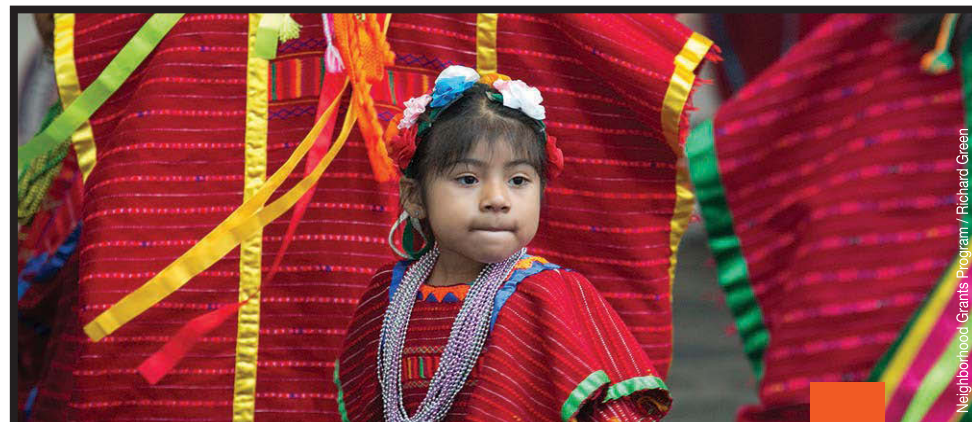
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Sheila was born on April 4th, 1925 in Detroit Michigan. She was the 2nd eldest of Author and Amelia Hill's eight children. When she was a teen, the family moved to California. Sheila graduated from Campbell High School in 1943 where she learned her business skills. During WWII she became a valued Executive secretary. In 1947, Sheila married Raymond Benech, shortly after her high school sweetheart returned from the war. Together they established a home and family on a farm near New Almaden. The combination of Ray's farming skills and Sheila's business know-how helped build a successful orchard and dried fruit farming operation.

Together Sheila and Ray raised three children. Sheila was a dedicated mother who lead by example and always encouraged and supported her children's dreams and aspirations in any way she could; be it as a Scout Den Mother, 4-H leader or #1 sports fan.

Once the children were grown, Sheila and Ray found time to travel. They enjoyed many adventures on every continent of the world. As a young girl in Detroit, she would wave at airplanes passing overhead, asking "Lindy (Charles Lindbergh), can I get a ride?". At age 50, Sheila followed her passion for flying and became a certified private pilot and purchased her first of two planes. She joined the Ninety-Nines, an international organization of women pilots. She took great pleasure in telling stories of her cross-country plane races, both the action packed losses and stunning victories, her best advice "keep your speed up in the turns." She and husband Ray enjoyed years of retirement by splitting their time between her seaside homes in Aptos and the Big Island of Hawaii. Sheila always loved the beach.

Sheila is survived by her husband of 68 years, Raymond, daughter Suzanne of Santa Barbara, son Edmond and her granddaughter Ariana, both of Carmel by the Sea, son Robert, grandson Ryan and great-granddaughter Ruby all from San Francisco. She also leaves behind a vast "Scottish Clan" of extended family and friends who will miss her optimism and joy of life.

A private memorial service will be held at her Aptos home on December 5th from noon until 5PM, Contact family for further details. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America and/or the Hospice of Santa Cruz County.

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Three locals look at landscapes, library adds art gallery

THREE PAINTERS who call the Monterey Peninsula home — **Andre Balyon, Brian Blood** and **Laurie Kersey** — offer a local's perspective of the landscape in a show on display at Jones & Terwilliger Galleries on Sixth Avenue. The gallery will host a reception Saturday, Oct. 10, at 5 p.m.

Born in the Netherlands, Balyon created backgrounds for Disney's blockbuster "Lion

King" film, and he spent three years working on a massive, circular 360-degree Big Sur panorama that measures 17 feet by 135 feet. The piece was assembled in Carmel Valley and later moved to his native country.

A plein air artist and Pebble Beach resident, Blood has won many awards, including Best Local Artist at the Carmel Art Festival in 2010 and 2011, and the People's Choice Award in 2004 and 2008. "He's one of the premier plein air artists of our time," gallery

co-owner **Patricia Terwilliger** told The Pine Cone. Blood is married to Kersey, a longtime commercial artist and art instructor whose skill with a brush and easel has earned her many laurels, including Best Local Artist at the Carmel Art Festival in 2012.

Terwilliger said the three artists present "an intimate" look at the Peninsula's famous natural charms.

"The common thread in this show is that all three are very successful landscape painters who have won awards and done wonderful things in this community," She added.

"It's just an extraordinary show. We're so lucky to have these artists live here."

The gallery, which will be the site of a reception at 5 p.m., is located on Sixth between San Carlos and Dolores. The show will be on display through Oct. 25. Call (831) 626-9100.

■ New art space honors couple

Adding a dose of color and creativity to a

place not usually known for such things, the Pacific Grove Public Library last week unveiled the Nancy and Steve Hauk Gallery, in honor of the Pacific Grove residents.

The naming was done at the behest of a donor to the new space, who thought the Hauks were worthy of the tribute, especially since Nancy Hauk is seriously ill.

"It's a bold new endeavor," **Steve Hauk** said. "I'm excited."

Located inside the library, the gallery opened its doors Oct. 2. In its first exhibit, "Edge of the Sea," local artists pay tribute to

writer Rachel Carson, whose 1962 book, "Silent Spring," called attention to the impact of pesticides on the environment.

Local history librarian **Diana Godwin** said the space where the gallery is located had been hidden behind a wall since the early 1990s and used exclusively by staff. "At some point, the community did a survey, and people wanted a quiet space and a meeting room," Godwin said. "The only place that made sense was this office space."

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Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

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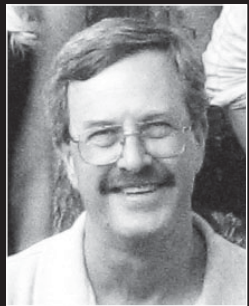


Painter Brian Blood's "Cypress Point" is featured in a show opening Saturday at Jones & Terwilliger Galleries. Blood has earned many laurels at the Carmel Art Festival, including Best Local Artist in 2010 and 2011.

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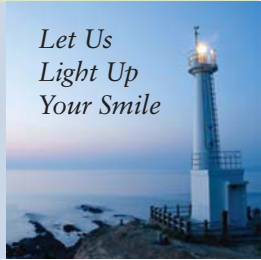
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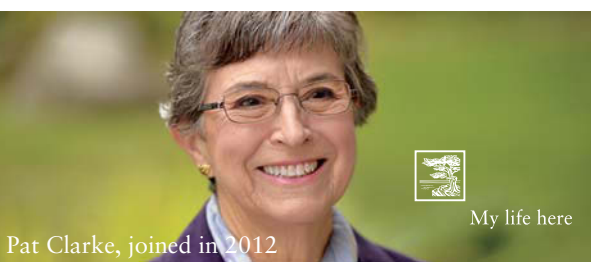
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Trio brings heavenly harmonies to Monterey, library offers season finale



Known for their exquisite voices, the The Wailing Jennys (left) perform Thursday in Monterey. Kelly McFarling (above) and others play Friday in Big Sur.

ACCLAIMED FOR their soaring harmonies and well crafted roots music, **The Wailing Jennys** take the stage Thursday, Oct. 15, at Golden State Theatre in Monterey. The show marks the Canadian trio's Monterey Peninsula debut.

Featuring soprano **Ruth Moody**, mezzo **Nicky Mehta** and alto **Heather Masse**, the group has won many honors north of the border, including Juno Awards — the Canadian Grammys — for Best Roots and Traditional Album in 2005 and 2012. Their most recent record, "Bright Morning Stars," climbed to No. 1 on the U.S. bluegrass charts. The three women are also frequent guests on the syndicated radio program, A Prairie Home Companion.

On stage and in the studio, The Wailing Jennys have earned countless raves for their harmonies.

"Our three-part harmonies are the most important feature of our music," Moody told The Pine Cone. "We're lucky, because we have a good blend of voices. We have the ranges that fit

together. Heather has the low voice, Nicky is in the middle and I do the higher parts. We've worked with each other for so long that we know what to do with each other's voices, where to go with a song and what feels right."

On A High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

Like many acts that fall into the popular Americana genre, The Wailing Jennys draw from many musical influences.

"We have three songwriters with different musical backgrounds, and you can really hear that in the music," Moody explained. "It's sort of funny to get called folk or country or bluegrass, but it's also been great to have cross over appeal. We overlap genres sometimes. We're just thankful people are listening."

Showtime is 8 p.m. Tickets are \$27 to \$49. The theater is located at 417 Alvarado St. Call (831) 649-1070.

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Rattlesnake for dinner, lots of wine celebrations, and a Halloween benefit

KNOWN FOR his creativity and inventiveness — as well as for his emphasis on unusual presentations — Sierra Mar executive chef John Cox continues his habit of bringing new ingredients to the table in dishes inspired by the Big Sur Coast and the season.

The cuisine of the restaurant located at the Post Ranch Inn is as unique and intriguing as its setting, and Cox is well practiced in finding ways to keep his guests enthralled.

I mean, where else can you find rattlesnake on the menu? Yes, it is, in fact, offered as part of the tasting menu at dinner.

Cox likes the menu to reflect the coast as much as possible, and since rattlesnakes are pretty common in the inland,

arid areas of Big Sur, Cox decided it's only logical to make meatballs out of them. And, as with all of his dishes, the meatballs are served on an elaborate platter, this one including forest finds like feathers, moss, and dried grass, and even (wait for it) part of a snake skeleton.

Inspired by the deer and large pines that also populate the area, Cox is serving tiny slivers of smoked venison topped with pine nuts and other indigenous ingredients. The morsels come to the table atop a Santa Lucia pine cone that was harvested by a Post Ranch employee, split in half and heavily varnished.

Other dishes on the lunch menu are a bit less unusual. For vegetarians (and even carnivores craving something differ-

ent), the quinoa dish is surprisingly good with broccoli, heirloom tomato, garlic and garden herbs. The seared albacore comes with a mildly sweet corn pudding, heirloom frying peppers and corn fritters.

When it comes to satisfying the sweet tooth, lavender panna cotta is neither too perfumey nor too sugary, with blueberries, cardamom milk gelato and lemon-blueberry meringue, while the chocolate peanut butter bar is decadent, with roasted banana ice cream, chocolate cremeux and salted caramel sauce.

Any meal at Sierra Mar is a special occasion in and of itself — even just sipping a cocktail at the bar is memorable. For more information and reservations, visit www.post-ranchinn.com/dining.



Yes, those are rattlesnake meatballs on tiny plates next to an inspired display of forest finds like feathers, moss, and even part of a snake skeleton. Only at Sierra Mar.

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■ Heller's grape stomp

Heller Estate Organic Vineyard and winemaker Rich Tanguay will host their biggest event of the year Saturday, Oct. 10. During the 11th Annual Harvest and Grape Stomp Celebration, guests stomp grapes, taste wines from the barrel, tour the winery with Tanguay, and get great deals on wine.

Lunch will be catered by Tacos Don Beto, with carne asada, chicken or shrimp available.

The celebration will take place at the vineyard in Cachagua from noon to 4 p.m. and costs \$60 for club members and \$65 for nonmembers. For reservations, call (831) 659-6220 or email wineclub@hellerestate.com. No one under 16 will be admitted, and attendees are asked to leave their dogs at home.

■ No BSF&W

Founder Toby Rowland-Jones announced there will be no Big Sur Food & Wine festival this year. Typically held on the first weekend of November, the event usually includes unique events like Hiking with Stemware, grand tastings, wine panels, parties, receptions, wine dinners and other fun. It's distinctive among food-and-wine events for its creativity, as well as its setting.

Rowland-Jones cited the threat of El Niño rains as the reason for the cancellation this year, since the Big Sur Coast can be treacherous during deluges, and landslides there are common. "It is absolutely incumbent upon us to protect our guests, winemakers, chefs, attendees and everyone else associated with this wonderful event," he said.

■ Tudor at Favaloro's

Favaloro's Big Night Bistro will host Dan Tudor and his namesake wines for a special four-course dinner Wednesday,

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Oct. 14, at 6 p.m. The menu is set to feature a first course of wild mushroom and burrata bruschetta with Nacina Pinot Noir 2013, followed by truffle-stuffed gnocchi with 2011 Tudor SLH Pinot Noir. The main dish will be braised short ribs over a vegetable medley, served with Tudor's Tondre Reserve Pinot Noir, while dessert will be crème brûlée cheesecake with 2014 Riesling ice wine.

The cost to attend is \$70 per person, excluding tax and tip, and reservations are required.

And, on Halloween night, kids under 12 will eat for free as long as the grownups purchase dinner between 8 and 9:30 p.m.

Favaloro's is located at 545 Lighthouse Ave. in Pacific Grove. Call (831) 373-8523 or visit www.favalorosbignightbistro.com.

■ Clos La Chance at Schooners

Schooners Coastal Kitchen & Bar in the Monterey Plaza Hotel on Cannery Row will

present a four-course dinner featuring the wines of Clos La Chance Thursday, Oct. 15, at 6 p.m.

After a little amuse bouche, the first course will combine pan-seared scallop and crispy pork belly over frisée and shaved fennel salad with salted citrus and lemon saffron vinaigrette. That will be paired with 2014 Chardonnay from Monterey County.

Next, pickled blueberries, ginger pearls and almond tuile will accompany California foie gras paired with 2012 Reserve Pinot Noir 2012.

The main course will be pan-seared Morro Bay sablefish (also known as butterfish or black cod) and braised veal cheeks served over orange carrot purée with artichoke risotto and beurre rouge, paired with 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon from the Central Coast.

And for the sweet course, bittersweet chocolate Amarena cherry torte with whipped vanilla bean mascarpone and almond cocoa nib brittle will be served with 2012 Zinfandel from the Central Coast.

The cost to attend is \$95 per person,

and reservations are required by calling (831) 372-BOAT. Schooners is located in the hotel at 400 Cannery Row in Monterey.

■ Give me a mai tai

Beer, not rum. The Alvarado Street Brewery team recently came home from the nation's largest beer festival with a gold medal for its Mai Tai PA — a staple India pale ale known for its tropical character. The brew won in the International-Style Pale Ale category at the Great American Beer Fest, which saw more than 1,500 breweries submit 6,600 beers for various categories. Just 242 breweries received medals.

Head brewer JC Hill said he was "shocked" by the win, considering the level of competition. "We work so hard, and it's great to have some validation for what we do," he said. The award follows several the brewery has received this year.

Meanwhile, Hill and his dad, John, are also busy getting a production brewery online in Salinas that they hope to open next February. The facility will ensure they always

have popular local favorites on tap and enable the in-house offerings to expand to 20 beers at a time.

"We've been running out of beer left and right all summer, which isn't necessarily a bad problem to have, but I always feel bad when our locals come in looking for one of our beers and it isn't available," Hill said.

Further, a 55-seat beer garden is planned for the brewpub's back parking lot, according to the Hills.

The brewery and grill, located at 426 Alvarado St. in Monterey, also has a solid lineup of good food for lunch, dinner and in-between snacks. Visit www.alvaradostreet-brewery.com for more information.

■ Galante Vineyards Harvest Celebration

Jack and Dawn Galante will hold their annual Harvest Celebration Saturday, Oct. 24, from noon to 5 p.m. at their winery at

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MUSIC

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■ Last big show until '16

Three musical acts take the stage Friday, Oct. 9, when the Henry Miller Library presents its last outdoor concert of the season. The lineup features **Kelly McFarling and the Home Team**, **Sparrows Gate**, and singer-songwriter **Kendra McKinley**.

Bringing together folk, old-time, blue-

grass and country, McFarling is talented banjo player with a soulful voice who pays tribute to her Southern roots, Atascadero-based Sparrow's Gate serves up a mix of laid-back California country-rock and McKinley is an eclectic singer-songwriter from San Francisco whose influences include psychedelic rock, chamber pop and Brazilian jazz.

"It will be an intimate evening of wonderful music," said **Sarah Shashaani** of the library. The concert begins at 7 p.m., and tickets are \$25. The library is located on Highway 1 28 miles south of Carmel. Call

(831) 241-4173.

Two days later, McFarling visits the Pierce Ranch Vineyards Tasting Room in Monterey, where she'll be joined by local singer-songwriter **Vincent Randazzo**. The music starts at 4 p.m., and there's a \$12 cover. 499 Wave Street. Call (831) 372-8900.

■ Chamber music series opens

Kicking off its 2015-16, Chamber Music Monterey Bay presents a concert by the **Cypress String Quartet** Saturday, Oct. 10, at Sunset Center.

Featuring **Cecily Ward** and **Tom Stone** on violin, **Ethan Filner** on viola and **Jennifer Kloetzel** on cello, the San Francisco-based quartet will perform Glazunov's *Five Novelettes, Op. 15*; Schoenberg's *Verklärte Nacht, Op. 4*; and Brahms' *String Sextet in B-flat, Op. 18*.

The concert starts at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$31 to \$56. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. Call (831) 625-2212.

■ Live Music Oct. 9-15

Terry's Lounge at Cypress Inn — pianist **Gennady Loktionov** and singer **Debbie Davis** (cabaret, Friday at 7 p.m.); pianist **Clay Whittington** (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.); and flutist **Kenny Stahl** (Thursday at 6 p.m.). (831) 624-3871.

Barmel — The Wharf Rats (rock, Friday at 7 p.m.); and singer-songwriter **Tom Faia** (Saturday at 7 p.m.). San Carlos and Seventh, (831) 626-3400.

Mission Ranch — singer and pianist **Maddaline Edstrom** (jazz and pop, Friday - Sunday at 7 p.m.); and pianist **Gennady Loktionov** (jazz, Monday - Thursday at 7 p.m.). 26270 Dolores St., (831) 625-9040.

Forge in the Forest — singer and guitarist **Mark Banks** (rock and soul, Friday at 7 p.m.). Fifth and Junipero, (831) 624-2233.

The Fuse Lounge at Carmel Mission Inn — **The Stu Heydon Blues Band** with singer **Jessica Le Jaune** (Friday at 8:30 p.m.); and blues jam with **Stu Heydon** (Saturday at 8:30 p.m.). 3665 Rio Road, (831) 624-6630.

Hyatt Carmel Highlands — singer **Neal Banks** and guitarist **Steve Ezzo** (pop and rock, Friday at 7 p.m.); singer **Lee Durley** and pianist **Joe Indence** (pop and jazz, Saturday at 7 p.m.); singer and pianist **Dino Vera** (jazz, blues and r&b, Tuesday at 4 p.m., and Wednesday and Thursday at 6 p.m.). 120 Highlands Drive, (831) 620-1234.

Folktales Winery — singer-songwriter **Johan Sotelo** (Friday at 4:30 p.m.); **Samurai Gypsies** (salsa and flamenco, Saturday at 4:30 p.m.); and **Fred McCarty** (country and classic rock, Sunday at 4:30 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road, (831) 293-7500.

Lucia Restaurant + Bar at Bernardus Lodge — pianist **Martin Headman** (jazz, Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.). 415 Carmel Valley Road, (831) 658-3400.

Pierce Ranch Vineyards in Monterey — singer-songwriter **Kelly McFarling** and **Vincent Randazzo** (Americana, Sunday at 4 p.m.). 499 Wave St., (831) 372-8900.

Julia's restaurant in Pacific Grove — guitarist **Rick Chelew** (Thursday at 5:30 p.m.). 1180 Forest Ave., (831) 656-9533.

The Inn at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach — **The Dottie Dodgion Trio** (jazz, Thursday at 7 p.m.); **The Jazz Trio** with pianist **Bob Phillips** (Friday at 7 p.m.); **The Jazz Trio** with pianist **Jan Deneau** (Saturday at 7 p.m.); and singer-songwriter **Bryan Diamond** (Friday and Saturday at 9 p.m.). Also, a bagpiper plays every evening at 5:45 p.m. 2700 17 Mile Drive, (831) 647-7500.

Big Sur River Inn — singer **John "Broadway" Tucker** (blues and soul, Sunday at 1 p.m.). On Highway 1 24 miles south of Carmel, (831) 667-2700.

Fernwood Resort in Big Sur — **Jeff Campbell** (rock, Friday at 9 p.m.); **McHugh and Devine** ("twenty-something blues with a twist," Saturday at 9 p.m.). On Highway 1 25 miles south of Carmel, (831) 667-2422.

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The festivities will include barrel tastings, special wine flights, hors d'oeuvres and live music, and tickets are \$20 for club members and \$30 for everyone else. Transportation is available from the Crossroads for \$20 per person, and must be reserved in advance.

For more information and tickets, visit www.galantevineyards.com or call (831) 624-3800.

■ Halloween party for Cachagua Fire

Carlos and Gabriela Forte, owners of Vita-Forte superfoods in Carmel and residents of Pacific Grove, always host a huge Halloween party in celebration of their favorite holiday — and Carlos' birthday. After helping to feed firefighters and others during the Tassajara Fire last month, the Fortes decided to make this year's party a fundraiser for the all-volunteer Cachagua Fire Department, which was at the forefront of the firefight alongside Cal Fire and numerous other agencies.

"We were on the fire line during this horrendous Tassajara Fire and were very

impressed by the work of the firefighters of Cachagua, and astonished to discover they are all volunteers," Gabriela Forte said. While the fire department relies on taxes from district residents, and state and federal tax dollars in the forms of Prop 172 payments and grants, it also depends on donations for its equipment, vehicles, training and facilities. The department operates on an annual budget of about \$280,000.

The Fortes said various local businesses are donating materials and manpower to the party so as much of the \$100-per-person ticket price can be donated to Cachagua Fire as possible. Affina restaurant in Carmel will provide some of the wine and personnel, while Little Napoli owner Rich Pepe is planning to donate cocktails, for instance. Forte, a trained chef, is preparing the food, and plenty of Champagne and wine will be on offer. Several performers are lined up as well.

Their celebration will take place Saturday, Oct. 24, in a private hangar at Monterey Airport, and guests are encouraged to come in costume. They urged attendees to "think over-the-top Halloween with a touch of kinky chic. Classy, NOT trashy."

The ticket price of \$100 can be paid via PayPal to chefgabrielag@me.com or mailed to P.O. Box 1713, Carmel, CA 93921. Specific details on time and the location of the hangar will be provided.

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Interior demolition of burned gallery building under way

A CONSTRUCTION crew has been systematically removing all the ruined sheetrock, tiles, carpet and other materials inside the downtown Carmel building that was badly burned in June, and tossing it into a truck to be hauled to the dump, according to the city's building official, Joe Headley. A permit has also been issued to allow the owner, Jody LeTowt, to rebuild the gallery and upstairs apartments as they were before the fire, which began on a rear exterior stairway.

"They are removing all the smoke-damaged material," he said. "They're trying to be cognizant of the neighbors, so they work dur-

ing the day and stockpile it, and then load the trailer between 8 and 10 a.m. to haul it off-site."

LeTowt also had to conduct asbestos testing and obtain a permit from the Monterey Bay Regional Air Pollution Control District to remove the tiles the testing identified, according to Headley.

He speculated LeTowt would want to make changes and upgrades after the materials are stripped, rather than just rebuild it.

"It's also extremely common that when they open the walls, they will update the wiring and plumbing," he said. "Because this would be the time to do it."



PHOTO/MARY SCHLEY

A construction crew tossed debris from an upstairs window in the New Masters Gallery building Thursday morning. The gallery and apartments were damaged in a fire in June, and are in the beginning stages of repair.

ART

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After the wall was knocked down and the room was used for an exhibit of **Nancy Hauk's** watercolors last fall, one of her friends offered to help pay for its renovation — as long as it was named after Nancy and her husband, Steve. Others contributed too, and before long more than \$30,000 was raised.

With a little work (and wood and glass), the room's archway entrance was spruced up, and after a considerable effort, the room's original wood floor — buried under carpet and linoleum — was brought back to life.

Hauk said he is intrigued about the prospects of bringing together books and art.

"Museums have often used writers' words to support exhibited art," he noted. "There's no reason it can't be done the other way round, too, with art supplementing someone like Carson's or Steinbeck's or Ricketts' words."

The show continues through Jan. 2. The library is located on Central between Fountain and Grand. Call (831) 648-5760.

■ Art never tasted so good

Across Central Avenue from the library, the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History will host a fundraising event, "Metamorphic," that offers artists an opportunity to turn their work into food and clothing — and raise money for a local nonprofit arts group.

The show happens Saturday, Oct. 10, and proceeds benefit Monterey's Youth Arts Collective.

"Join us for an evening of creative extravagance that brings together a fabulous group of businesses, pastry chefs, and tastemakers with their own edible and wearable art modeled and made in the spirit of creativity and metamorphosis," reads an invitation to the

fundraiser. "It's an exciting, unusual night of edible, wearable art and entertainment," said **Meg Biddle**, a co-founder of the nonprofit, which mentors young artists and provides them with studio space.

The fun begins at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$100. The museum is located 165 Forest Ave. Call (831) 375-9922.

■ All in the family

Calling attention to the creative talent of one local family, Bennett Sculpture Carmel celebrates the third anniversary of its return to Carmel Saturday, Oct. 10.

During the 1980s and 1990s, twin brothers **Bob and Tom Bennett** opened more than 20 galleries. After a 15-year hiatus — and nine years after Bob Bennett's death in 2003 — his widow, **Debi Bennett**, reopened the downtown gallery in 2012.

On display at the gallery is an exhibit of one-of-a-kind wire sculptures Bob and Tom created more than 30 years ago.

Now located on San Carlos between Fifth and Sixth, the gallery will be the site of a reception at 4 p.m. **Terrie Bennett** plans to present a sculpting demonstration, while **Ashley Bennett-Stoddard** will display her painting technique.

The show continues through Nov. 30. Call (831) 626-3054.

■ 'Elements' at Cherry Center

Just as a frame fits around a painting, the garden at the Carl Cherry Center for the Arts complements the new work of four sculptors, **Allyson McCandless**, **Neila Mezynski**, **Vivienne Riggio** and **Robynn Smith**.

Each of the four artists has created a piece that blends in with its setting. Their exhibit, "Elements," opens Friday Oct. 9. The gallery hosts a reception at 5 p.m. The show continues through Nov. 6. The Cherry Center is located at Fourth and Guadalupe. Call (831) 624-7491.

Jade festival offers marketplace, music

FOR THE 24th year, rock hounds will descend on the Pacific Valley School Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 9-11, for the Big Sur Jade Festival.

As always, the festival will host a thriving marketplace of gem and mineral sellers, and artists of every imaginable stripe — including some who have traveled from as far away as Canada and New Zealand.

The three-day bash will also feature an

impressive lineup of more than a dozen musical acts, seminars, specimen contests and a BBQ.

Admission is free. Proceeds from the festival benefit the Pacific Valley School PTO and the South Coast Community Land Trust. The Pacific Valley School is located on Highway 1 about 60 miles south of Carmel — and just across the scenic route from Sand Dollar Beach. www.bigsurjadefest.com.

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LETTERS

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this project are more tolerable to hordes of out-of-towners than to our local residents trying to add an enjoyable environment for our canines.

I ask, why would these few members of our community be so opposed to a place for owners and their dogs to simply play and enjoy life? Perhaps they have not had the opportunity to enjoy life themselves? I really do not know. We roll out the red carpet for fancy automobiles, fiestas, fairs, even a yearly dog show, yet we don't have the room for Carmel Canine Sports Center.

I fully support this project and can't wait to take my dogs to it.

Wanda Vollmer, Carmel

Good idea, wrong place

Dear Editor,

I have been promoting the joys of dog companionship at home, on the road and on the trail, while emphasizing responsible dog ownership and good stewardship of the land through articles and books for more than 25 years. As an unabashed dog lover, I fully and actively support efforts to open more doors to our furry family members. While Martha Diehl dreams of private canine clubs, I dream of public, safe, fenced pooch playgrounds.

I have several concerns regarding the proposed Canine Sports Center:

1. It continues to be inappropriate for a member of the county planning commission to be aggressively promoting a personal development project while still serving as commissioner.

2. A "desirable" location does not mean an "appropriate" location.

3. A membership "day use" canine center would be one thing. But Diehl's project is a private RV campground with canine events. It's 24 events with 70 or so RVs for a minimum of three to five days and nights per event of intrusive generator noise, loudspeakers and exuberant barking, not to mention that it's on the banks of the ecologically sensitive Carmel River.

I hope the board of supervisors puts the good of the residential community ahead of business interests at the upcoming Oct. 27 hearing and decides that Ms. Diehl needs to find a more suitable "field" for her "dream."

**Linda Mullally,
Carmel Valley**

METH

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Violence Team is taking over the investigation into the residents, as far as possible manufacturing of methamphetamine and marijuana sales," he said.

The homeowner, who did not want to be named, confirmed Austin was the primary lease holder, and he had two other younger men living with him. Austin's wife, who serves in the military, had been paying the rent but moved out and left him, and Austin stopped paying, which led to his eviction, the landlord said.

Tomasi said that, while the regional haz-mat team had an organization called Clean Harbors remove the hazardous chemicals from the house for safe disposal, PRVNT took possession of the marijuana and the handgun, which was registered to Austin, whose whereabouts are unknown.

"As of right now, there have been no arrests. We suspect the items found at the house were used to manufacture methamphetamine; however, we are waiting on confirmation from the DEA," Cmdr. Mike Bruno said Thursday. "We have been looking for Austin so that we can ask him what he had in his house, but as of right now, we haven't been able to locate him."

RENTALS

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order. If a judge finds in favor of the city and approves an injunction against the homeowner, the person would not only have to pay the city for all its outstanding bills and staff time, but also his own legal bills.

Freeman also pointed out the ordinance itself is fairly bulletproof, since it was already challenged in court and survived, with the U.S. Supreme Court letting it stand.

"We have not modified the ordinance since that occurred," he said.

Despite the hard line, Freeman said, "The game plan is not to be punitive — it's to get them to comply."

He anticipated most people will voluntarily end their practice of renting their homes to tourists and other short-term visitors, and said those that don't will be subject to the sting operation without notice. After the first couple of cases go to court and are made public, he predicted, any holdouts would probably be swayed to comply.

Further, any listing agents who don't follow the rules could be called on the carpet with the state department of real estate, according to Freeman.

"The city is very serious about addressing this," he said.

Mayor Jason Burnett noted, "It's not often that you hear someone announce what Don just announced."

He provided the warning because the city wants people to get plenty of notice and voluntarily comply, according to Burnett, and doesn't want to take the fight to court unless necessary.

"If everyone who is currently violating that rule hears this tonight or otherwise through newspaper and other means, and decides to comply, then we've won," he said. "That's why we're taking the extra steps to provide this advance notice."

Freeman said he plans to provide an update monthly on the number of people who have been contacted and are obeying.

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ALTHOUGH THE city cut down more than 30 eucalyptus trees along Fourth Avenue in late 2001 because they presented danger for the residents living below them and routinely shed limbs and bark, work will begin Tuesday to preserve "one of Carmel-by-the-Sea's most venerable trees," the 85-foot-tall eucalyptus on the northwest corner of San Antonio and Ocean avenues, according to city forester Mike Branson.

The pruning and cutting will continue through Oct. 15 and "include sharply reducing the crown and pruning the tree," which Branson estimated was planted in the 1880s or 1890s and is not native to the area. Its height will be reduced by half.

Testing revealed some decay in the trunk, and Branson said the pruning work is "an attempt to retain the tree rather than tear it down, and also to reduce the risk of something falling off it."

He said he would keep an eye on it to make sure it remains vigorous.

Tree crews with West Coast Arborists will be onsite from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. all three days, when San Antonio will be closed between Ocean and Fourth avenues to accommodate a large crane and bucket lift. Ocean will be partially closed at San Antonio, as well. In all cases, detours will be provided, and pedestrians will be asked to avoid the immediate area.



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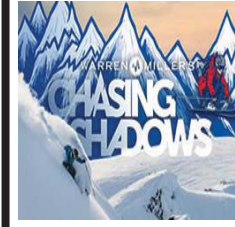
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SMOKING

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their private patios or decks, so they would have to light up inside their homes or in their cars, or go to the outskirts of town to smoke outside. People who puff on cigarettes, e-cigarettes, cigars, tobacco pipes, marijuana

TEARDOWN

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“Alexander MacMillan Allan was a huge figure, not only on the Monterey Peninsula, but in all of the state of California,” and “a major mover and shaker in the business history of Monterey,” Lydon said. He called it “painfully ironic” that someone would knock down the home, and said it would be “one of the few buildings in this region where I would lie down in front of the bulldozers.”

Offering a different perspective is Whisler, who said the house is in poor shape. “Our family doesn’t think it’s fair to hold [the Larsens] to rebuilding the stone house,” he said. “It needs a whole new structure. There’s a beautiful fireplace in there, but the building is dilapidated.”

The Carmel Highlands Land Use Advisory was set to hold a hearing on the project Oct. 5, but the meeting was postponed due to the lack of a quorum. It is scheduled to look at the project Oct. 19.

County project planner Dan Lister said more information is needed about the home’s historic status before the county can decide what to do with it. He said the county’s historical review board is set to look at the plan in November. “The jury is still out,” Lister added.

In June, The Pine Cone reported that the Larsens bought the property for \$2.85 million.

or any other substance outdoors would also be responsible for ensuring their smoke isn’t drifting into any nearby open doors or windows.

Smoking would be forbidden in all businesses, with only one exception: Hotels could designate up to 45 percent of their rooms for customers who smoke.

“It does allow smoking in the residential zone, but that’s all it allows,” Freeman continued. “And only in the residential area as long as it’s not affecting anyone 30 feet from where they live.”

Violators would be cited with infractions, which include a small fine.

“But that’s not the purpose of this ordinance,” he said. “The purpose is to educate people and change their behavioral aspects, if we can. So if you had someone walking down Ocean Avenue smoking a cigarette, you’re going to stop them and say, ‘This is a no-smoking community.’”

‘The goal is to educate’

But those who ignore the rules and openly smoke anyway, after being cited three times, could end up being charged with a misdemeanor. “A citation would be for the habitual offender, someone who ignores you — more likely a resident or someone who works in town,” Freeman said.

He said the purpose isn’t to charge people with the crime of smoking, which would be costly to the taxpayers, as well as inconvenient — and possibly maddening — for the perpetrators.

“We wouldn’t have people going around and looking to cite people,” Freeman said. “The goal is really to educate people about why to not smoke in this community, and the effects of secondhand smoke.”

Mayor Jason Burnett, a strong proponent of the smoking ban, said he advised the head of Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula the council would be discussing a possible ordinance, and Dr. Richard Gray,

medical director of the hospital’s Tyler Heart Institute, sent a letter in support.

“I applaud the leadership of Carmel-by-the-Sea in its efforts to protect the health of our community by reducing exposure to tobacco smoke and related chemicals,” he wrote. “Cigarette smoking remains the leading cause of preventable morbidity and premature death in the United States, claiming more than 43,000 Californians every year. The hazard of exposure to secondhand smoke is not far behind.”

He noted that while California has done a lot to convince its residents to stop smoking, the practice is still common in other states and abroad, where as many as half the people smoke. “Since the Monterey Peninsula is a national and international tourist destination, we will continue to see a large number of current smokers,” he wrote, adding that 84 cities and counties in the state have some sort of ban on outdoor smoking.

“As a cardiologist, I strongly support the proposed additional ban on smoking and other tobacco use (including e-cigarettes) in Carmel as a means of improving the health (and appearance) of our community and its visitors,” Gray concluded.

The high number of foreign visitors, many of whom smoke, was a point of discussion for the council and members of the public. Councilman Steve Dallas said the city should focus on putting out receptacles for cigarette butts in order to reduce litter — a plan that has been in discussion for a couple of years — and councilwoman Victoria Beach wondered if some outdoor smoking areas should be designated for people whose addiction to tobacco makes it difficult and uncomfortable for them to abstain for long periods of time.

“Let’s not drive our best visitors away — we know they’re going to be smokers,” councilman Ken Talmage said. “I think you deal with it with by putting out butt cans that say, ‘Carmel-by-the-Sea is a no-smoking city. Put your cigarette butts here.’”

Residents Carl Iverson and Maggie Eaton — who participates in a lot of cleanup efforts on the beach and in town, and said cigarette butts are a major part of the litter she collects — said the ordinance was a good idea and not “too severe.”

“We entice people to come here, in part, because we can offer them a beautiful outdoor experience,” Eaton said.

Carmel Chamber of Commerce CEO Monta Potter said she queried members and received comments mostly concerned about what a ban would mean for their hotel guests and other visitors.

“It sounds like the only place you could smoke would be in your hotel room or in your residence,” Potter said. “There’s really nowhere to smoke if you’re a smoker and you want to come here.”

Chamber members wondered if the required signs would constitute litter of another type, and whether the city would

have to hire more people to enforce the law. They also worried about adopting a finger-wagging attitude against smokers, many of whom are visitors who might choose not to return, and to spread their negative opinions via blogs and other social media, if they feel unwelcome here.

Mundaka Restaurant and Barmel owner Gabe Georis said he didn’t “feel particularly strongly one way or the other,” but he raised several questions, including how much of a problem smoking really is, why the city should focus on smoking while ignoring other health issues like car exhaust and cell phone radiation, and if selling cigarettes in town should also be banned. He speculated a ban might encourage more day trippers instead of overnight visitors, especially during busy times like Concours Week in August, since other cities on the Peninsula aren’t as strict on smoking.

“Are there any other communities that have a similar ban?” he asked. “Is there a common ground among these, as opposed to being the most strict ban in the State of California?”

Restaurateur Rich Pepe said he hardly ever sees council members walking around downtown, and he wondered if they would really find smoking an issue if they did.

“How big is this problem, and what are you trying to accomplish with this?” he asked.

‘We know what we need’

Basil restaurant chef and co-owner Soerke Peters, who spends a lot of time walking in town, said he didn’t think smoking is that commonplace, either. “Resources should be used in other ways,” he said.

But Burnett disagreed.

“We know what we need in order to make a decision. We don’t have the answers to every single one of the questions, here, but some of those questions are not relevant to us not moving forward,” he said.

Burnett said that when he’s walking in town, he and his family have to move to the other side of the street to avoid people’s cigarette smoke.

“One could say that I’m too sensitive, but I don’t think that’s a very good argument,” he said. “I don’t think it should be incumbent upon us to accommodate someone creating an unsafe situation.”

“We have a right to health, and we put the burden on the polluter to clean it up, rather than society as a whole bearing that burden,” he continued. “So I don’t see this as a complicated situation.”

Council members unanimously voted to ask the city’s staff to come back with an ordinance similar to Freeman’s draft, including data from a coastal protection group and a federal health agency about the dangers of smoking, and to “put together a receptacle program with proper signage that announces the ordinance change.”

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FIRES

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allowed Friday, Saturday, Sunday and holidays. That remains the policy of the city, and it appears maybe there was a procedural misstep, which, I trust, our staff will rectify, but I don't think anyone here is backing away from our policy. I'm certainly not."

According to Veasart, the law defines "emergency," as "a sudden, unexpected occurrence demanding immediate action to prevent or mitigate loss or damage to life, health, property or essential public services." But, considering they have been built on the beach for years and are even authorized by the city's LCP, beach fires are not a sudden phenomenon requiring immediate action.

"Indeed, the city has been actively working through the coastal permitting process to develop a management strategy to address beach fires, ambient air quality issues, and sand and water quality issues," Veasart said. That plan, which calls for limiting fires by installing rings on the beach, was approved by the city council in May but still needs approval by the coastal commission, which will probably consider it in December.

Because the emergency ban on weekend fires prohibits something that is currently legal on Carmel Beach, it "constitutes an uncertified amendment to the LCP," according to Veasart.

Following proper procedures?

Burnett said he and other city officials believed from conversations with upper management at the coastal commission that they were following the proper procedures.

"I conferred with senior management at the coastal commission before we passed the 45-day ordinance, and followed their procedural advice," he said. "Ultimately, our job is to protect the community, and in light of the very real public health impacts, we did what anyone would do, which is to take action."

In the letter, Veasart challenged the view that fires are making the air dirty enough to be dangerous.

"Based on commission staff's review of the city's air quality data (for a 41-day period in June/July), the data do not appear to support assertions that there is an immediate threat to public health and safety," he wrote. He said the levels are "well below the EPA 24-hour average guidelines," and noted

there was "one four-hour period on July 4 where there were elevated levels of PM [particulate matter], which is to be expected, and one hour on June 27, which appears to be an anomaly." Eleven hours during the monitoring period were in the "moderate" category, while the remaining 968 hours were in the "good" category.

Therefore, he said, the city improperly invoked federal and state health laws "to implement emergency measures, the need for which does not appear to be supported by data."

The city not only circumvented the normal public hearing process when it adopted the fire ban, it limited the ability of community members to engage in low-cost recreational activities at the beach, Veasart said. "Such actions are in conflict with access and recreation policies of the Coastal Act and the city's certified LCP, and are, thus, a violation" of both.

Balancing interests

Burnett countered that while coastal commissioners are experts in coastal access and protection, they are not experts in air quality and should defer to the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District. "They attempt to characterize the science and the policy around air quality without apparently conferring with the experts in air quality," he said.

Burnett also referred to an email written by coastal commission executive director Charles Lester to a constituent that stated the commission "always does its best to balance the concerns so that both public access and residential interests can be protected.

"We recognize, too, that there may indeed be real public health concerns with respect to beach fires, no matter whether you are a resident or a visitor," Lester continued in the email. "We work closely with other agencies, including air quality regulators, to make sure that we understand the impacts that may be occurring. We are doing that in this case as well, and I can assure that we have not made any pre-determinations."

"I trust that the executive director speaks for the organization," Burnett said. "Not anyone else."

Regarding the validity of the ban and whether police can still tell people they can't have beach fires on weekends and holidays, even as the state has declared it "ineffective and unenforceable," Burnett reiterated that nothing has changed, as far as he's concerned.

Carmel Police Chief Mike Calhoun said he would weigh in on that matter after he meets with city and coastal officials, as well as air board representatives, in a meeting set for Friday.

"I'm curious to hear what they have to say," Calhoun said.

WELL

From page 1A

ny's proposed full-scale desal plant for the Monterey Peninsula — was performing well before it was turned off. Cal Am wants the slant wells to draw water with at least 95 percent salinity and avoid affecting nearby agricultural wells.

While the original coastal commission permit for the test facility required Cal Am to halt the operation if groundwater levels dropped by more than a foot-and-a-half, the permit didn't take into consideration other unrelated conditions that might be responsible for water level dips.

Hydrogeologists who studied the groundwater drop at the test well determined the phenomenon wasn't due to the well itself, but pumping of the groundwater by farmers and other users.

The permit amendment approved by the coastal commission allows pumping to resume with new conditions that take into consideration other regional groundwater trends, such as agricultural pumping.

"The amendment is relatively minor but makes a big difference in terms of our ability to continue to collect data from the test slant well and advance our desalination project," said Cal Am President Rob MacLean.

Attorneys for Marina Coast Water District, which unsuccessfully filed suit against Cal Am in an attempt to stop the test well, argued against the permit amendment at the Long Beach meeting.

Cal Am is trying to comply with a 2009 State Water Resources Control Board order that compels it to drastically cut the amount of water it draws from the Carmel River by Dec. 31, 2016. Since federal environmental restrictions make it impossible to build a new dam on the Carmel River, and because the coastal commission prohibits the use of open ocean intakes to provide water for desal plants, slants well in Marina are the hoped-for solution.

Though Cal Am has acknowledged it won't meet the 2016 water cutback date, officials are in the midst of negotiating with the state on extending the deadline.

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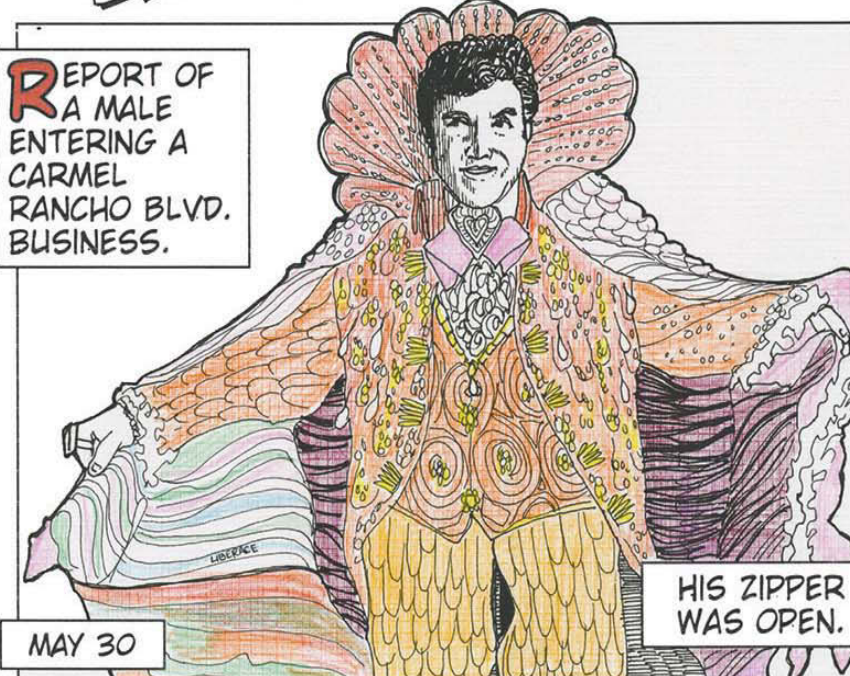
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Horror stories? King's got plenty of them

NO, STEPHEN King hasn't relocated here. But Carmel Valley resident Steve King writes about the horrors of computer hacking and how to prevent them.

He's also part owner of Netswitch, the San Francisco-based high-tech security company where he's the chief operations officer and chief security officer. It's an international business that's worked with companies like Charles Schwab, eBay, Wells Fargo and Verizon.

There were times, though, when his career goals ran more to priest or journalist than IT guy. Now 70, he was born and raised in San Francisco, the only child of an Irish cabbie and a Hungarian-American secretary for the Navy. His mother later became head of logistics for Mare Island and Hunters Point Naval shipyards.

He clearly enjoyed his urban upbringing. "For me growing up

in and around S.F. was about bartending at my aunt's poker parties in Buena Vista Terrace for over a hundred people, mostly priests and nuns," King said. He also worked as a high school janitor and was a lifeguard on the Russian River in the summer.

His experiences with the clergy at those parties must have been positive, because there was a phase when, he said, "I was convinced I was going to advance beyond mere altar-boy status to the priesthood."

He attended Catholic schools and received a solid education about life as well. In that regard, his mother was "a strict headmistress," and he said, "Everything I know about hard work and discipline, capitalism and politics came from her."

Schoolwork came easily to King, who discovered he was a natural at math. A bartender he worked for at Nepenthe one summer advised him to major in it, because if you were good at it, it was the easiest degree to earn. King took the advice — the bartender had a Ph.D. in math — and said it was true. "I was basically lazy," he said, laughing. However, he minored in journalism because he wanted to be a writer.

By the time he graduated from UC Berkeley, he had married his high school sweetheart, and they had two children. The advertising agency of Hoefer, Dietrich and Brown offered him a job writing copy for its

Hoover Vacuum account, but it only paid \$200 a month. Even in 1967, that wasn't enough for a family of four.

Instead, King found himself drawn to the computer business. He got into data security, and with another engineer found an innovative method for protecting information, saving businesses a lot of time and money. He was a co-founder of the Cambridge Systems Group, which developed the first product to protect the security of mainframe computers.

After that, King became a serial entrepreneur, founding and running businesses that provided what he described as "various flavors of IT service." His interest in security meant that in the 1970s and 1980s, he worked with data warehousing and helped businesses take advantage of new database technologies.

By the early 2000s, companies were getting into e-commerce. King recognized the need for good web content and for developing a company's brand. Harley-Davidson was among the businesses that wanted to launch a website. In what King described as a "knee-jerk reaction," they thought they would just put a catalog and pictures of motorcycles online.

Instead, King said, his plan was to create a "lifestyle destination for Harley-Davidson people." He continued, "I wanted to create a platform to communicate what being Harley-Davidson was all about."

He replicated that success with Abercrombie & Fitch, Tommy Bahama and REI, to name a few. In addition to the monetary rewards, he said, "I enjoy helping people to do more with less. People are sort of befuddled by all this stuff. It's frightening for them."

He described business owners as "overwhelmed by sales reps" for computer security products, and stressed that he places a

Great Lives

By ELAINE HESSER

high value on authenticity. He wants to be realistic about what his company can and cannot do in terms of providing security.

When he's not working, King enjoys reading and painting. He and his wife split their time between homes nearer to their Silicon Valley jobs and their house in Carmel Valley. They moved here in 2006 after years of vacationing in the area. He wryly noted that their plan was to retire, but it didn't exactly work

See LIVES next page



Steve King

GUESS WHO'S NOT COMING TO DINNER — EVER AGAIN!

I DON'T envy the purveyors at last week's Taste of Carmel food and wine event. Having to cater to the dizzying array of dietary phobias and restrictions today is enough to make you crazier than a house full of raccoons.

Mary and I keep notes on the food preferences of our friends and relatives. The list has grown to the size of the San Francisco phone book. If we were foolish enough to plan a party today, we'd have to accommodate carnivores, pescetarians, vegans and vegetarians. Then there are devotees of various diets including high-fiber, paleo, Pritikin, Blue Zone, Atkins and Mediterranean. As well as avoiders of gluten, wheat, cholesterol, sodium, GMOs, growth hormones, soy, nuts, sulfites, nightshades, sugar, saturated fats and alcohol. And the food would have to be wild-caught, cage-free, organic, locally sourced, water-wise and sustainably raised.

Of course, food fetishists are nothing new. I was on a promotional tour for one of my books, and was being escorted to interviews and autographings by a PR guy in New York City. "You must meet a lot interesting characters," I said to him.

He told me a story about Gloria Swanson, queen of the silver screen. She had recently been in New York promoting her memoirs, accompanied by her husband. She'd given the public relations firm a long list of demands, including fine silk sheets on her hotel bed, and a diet of strictly fresh vegetables and specially filtered water.

When the PR guy drove them to her first appointment, Miss Swanson went in to do the interview while her husband stayed behind with the PR guy. The minute she was out of sight, the husband asked for the nearest vending machine. When he returned, Mr. Swanson's pockets were crammed with Snickers, M&Ms, Butterfingers, Mounds, Milky Ways, Hershey bars and Baby Ruths. He tore into them like a starving junkyard dog, cleansing his palate between hasty bites with drags from three Marlboros. When he finished eating and smoking, he said to the PR guy, "Please don't tell Gloria. She doesn't allow me to have sweets or cigarettes."

Today, it seems everybody's a Gloria Swanson.

I got a phone call recently from a boyhood chum, now a retired East Coast college professor. Marvin and I talk on the phone every other decade, whether we want to or not.

He informed me that he was coming to California with his new wife, Evelyn. They were driving down the coast and planned to

stop in Carmel. Without thinking, I invited them for dinner at our house. "Is there anything you don't eat?" I asked.

"We're easy to please," he said. "Evelyn and I like everything."

So I reported to my wife, "Good news! They eat everything."

Mary loves to cook, and she's adventurous. But she decided to play it safe and fix a roast chicken with all the trimmings, and warm berry cobbler for dessert.

When our guests arrived, I brought them into the kitchen. Mary was basting the bird.

Evelyn said, "Oh, my. Is that a chicken?"

"Yes," Mary replied. "It's almost done."

"I don't eat chicken," Evelyn said.

Wilde Times

By LARRY WILDE

Mary glanced at me, one of those looks that says, "Are you kidding me?"

I said, "Good thing you roasted all those vegetables, honey."

I offered cocktails. Evelyn wanted Grey Goose vodka. All I had was Ketel One. Marvin wanted Campari with a twist. We had no Campari. He asked for Schweppes Tonic. We had regular, but he wanted diet. So he took a beer.

They didn't touch their first course salads. Not one bite.

Then Mary brought out a large platter of carved chicken with a colorful variety of roasted vegetables.

Evelyn picked out a carrot and a mushroom. Marvin took a small sliver of chicken.

"Help yourself to vegetables," Mary urged.

Marvin said, "I don't eat onions, or anything that touches them."

"How about some wine?" I said, ready to pour the chardonnay.

"I'm not a fan of white wine," Evelyn said.

"I've got zinfandel," I offered.

"Red wine gives me a headache," she said.

I turned to Marvin. He shook his head. "Got any Dr. Brown's soda?" he asked.

"Sorry, no," I replied. "Would either of you like water?"

"Do you have sparkling Pellegrino?" Evelyn asked.

"Only Perrier," I replied.

"Too bubbly," Evelyn said. "Do you have filtered water?"

"Yes, would you like ice in that?"

"Only if the cubes are clear," Evelyn said. "I detest cloudy ice."

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PHOTOG

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sion for what she does, and her wholehearted ability to see the best parts of a woman, made me feel comfortable.”

And the feeling stuck with her. “For days afterward, I felt transformed and empowered, like I could do anything I choose,” she said. “I still feel more powerful, a month or more after the shoot.”

While Rexeen charges \$140 to \$200 for the photography sessions, she holds several “appreciation shoots” every year, inviting all Red Light Girls to participate. Each receives one photo, and every shoot has a different theme.

“The Halloween and Christmas appreciation shoots are the most popular,” she noted. But she’s also held sessions focusing on head shots, “senior portraits,” and faux album covers, and they usually take on the atmosphere of a party as the women who are waiting for their turns in front of the camera sit and chat with each other.

“I wanted to give something back to them for free, so they know they’re not ‘clients’ — that I appreciate them and they’re a group of women who are absolutely amazing,” she said.

ALDRETE

From page 12A

sure doesn’t.

“My good friend Steve Buechele who I went to college with, is their bench coach. So I want them,” he said.

Not the Toronto Blue Jays, powered by former A’s All-Star Josh Donaldson? A’s fans are still enraged over that trade, and Aldrete understands why.

“Yeah, the further the Blue Jays go, the more that one hurts,” he said of the Donaldson trade to Toronto.

But that’s the way it goes in modern baseball — players get moved around like chess pieces. Aldrete says he grew up listening to the Giants on the radio when team rosters were more stable and, as far as he understood it, “Willie Mays and Willie McCovey never made an out.”

Aldrete played for seven different teams in his 10-year career, including the Athletics and the Giants. His best season was in 1987 with the Giants, where he had a .325 average. He was part of the 1996 Yankees when they won the World Series.

His mom still lives in Monterey and his lifelong buddies are still in the area so he’s back and forth in the off season between Toro Park, where he lives, and family and friends’ places on the Peninsula. His brother Rich runs baseball clinics to boost young players in Monterey County.

Despite the belief that practice makes perfect, Aldrete has different advice for kids aspiring to the major leagues.

“Get good grades,” said the Stanford graduate.

WHARF

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By themselves, the wharves made money for the city. In 2013-2014, for example, Fisherman’s Wharf contributed more than \$1.3 million in revenue, with expenditures of just \$26,779 and capital improvements in the amount of \$55,134. The commercial wharf contributed \$245,156 with expenditures of \$24,551 and capital improvements in the amount of \$158,071. But, the city’s other tidelands operations, including staffing and maintenance of the harbor and parks consumed all that income and more, which meant that the city lost more than \$2.1 million in those seven years for the tidelands that include the harbor, Fisherman’s Wharf, Wharf No. 2, and waterfront park, but not Cannery Row.

Meanwhile, people who operate businesses on Fisherman’s Wharf are wondering why they’re being asked to pay more while the fund is flush with cash. Stay tuned.

LIVES

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out. He still enjoys his work too much.

He also waxed philosophical about the double-edged sword of online life. On one hand, he said, “If someone’s shy about the Internet and there’s nothing missing, don’t change it.” On the other hand, he said, it’s a great way to access entertainment and connect with family and friends who don’t live nearby.

And, he added, there are security precautions people can and should take to protect themselves from hackers.

When someone is trying to make a decision whether to have an online presence or how much of a presence to have, it comes down to one question for him: “What’s the worst that could happen?”

That sounds like the beginning of a really scary story — the kind that King has spent his career trying to prevent.

To suggest someone for this column, email elaine@carmelpinecone.com.

WILDE

From page 29A

So the dinner was a resounding success. It was up to the berry cobbler with vanilla ice cream to save the day. But Marvin couldn’t eat seeds in berries, and Evelyn avoided them because they stained her teeth. Neither one liked vanilla ice cream. So we adjourned to the living room.

“Why no fire in your fireplace?” Marvin inquired.

“We rarely use it,” Mary said. “It’s bad for the air quality.”

“How absurd!” Evelyn said. “What will you kooky Californians come up with next?”

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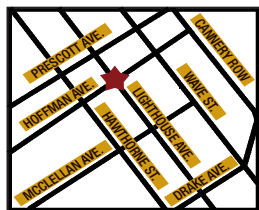
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Organizers would like everyone to dress up as zombies, even if they are just strolling survivors, and a best-dressed contest will get the winners backpacks full of emergency preparedness loot — perhaps to protect them against the impending Zombie Apocalypse.

The courses begin and end at the Pebble Beach Corporation Yard located at 4005 Sunridge Road in Pebble Beach, with the run starting at 9 a.m. and the stroll departing 10 minutes later, and participants are asked to arrive a half-hour early. Registration costs \$25 for adults. Go to www.pbcsd.org and follow the link at the bottom of the page for more information and to register.

P.G. preschool fundraiser

SAINT ANGELA’S Preschool in Pacific Grove will host its annual Food & Wine Annual Fundraiser and Auction later this month, and the public is invited to join in the fun.

On Oct. 23 from 6:30 to 10 p.m. at St. Angela Merici Parish Hall at Lighthouse Avenue and 9th, the school will celebrate its 30 years of “providing high quality early childhood education for families all over the Peninsula.”

For more information about the event, call Susan D’Angelo at (831) 372-3555. Tickets are \$40.

Correction

IN LAST week’s editon, the profile of Marta Karpel said she was the top-producing agent at Alain Pinel from 2007-2012. The correct information is that she was consistently in the top 4 percent every year as well as the overall number three agent averaged over the last eight years.

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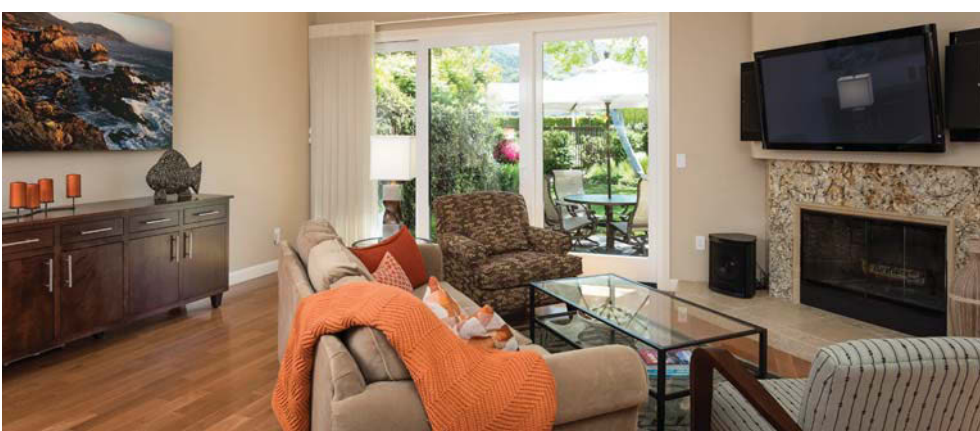


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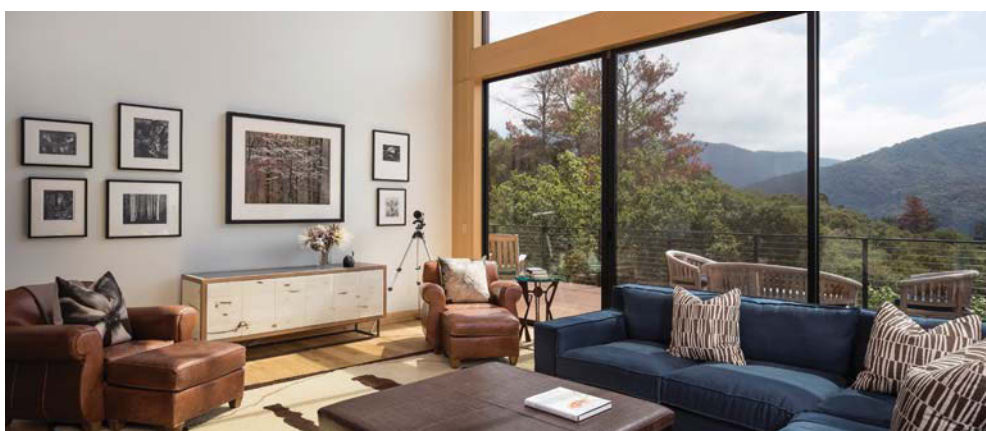


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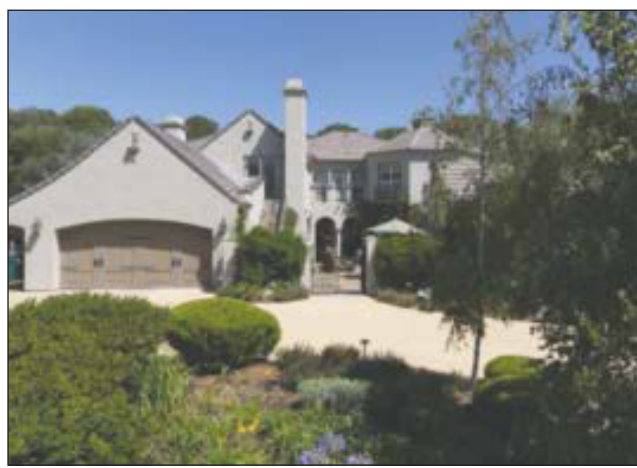
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Casa de Lemos — more commonly called “The Gingerbread House” — has been restored to its former glory on its perch above Bird Rock on 17 Mile Drive. The cottage’s brightly colored roof is made of concrete (above) and its new deck offers great views of the ocean below (right). The original chimney sits atop the fireplace in the living room (below right). The Del Monte Forest Conservancy restored the house with help from a team of local contractors.

THIS GINGERBREAD HOUSE COMES COMPLETE WITH CONCRETE FROSTING

By ELAINE HESSER

YOU ALMOST certainly know the house. As 17 Mile Drive passes Bird Rock and Seal Beach going south, it’s on the hillside on the left. Most people call it “the gingerbread house,” but officially, it’s Casita de Lemos.

According to Jody Le Towt, the engineer who headed up the cottage’s restoration, Pedro de Lemos was an exceptional artist who was also the curator of the Stanford Art Museum and editor-in-chief of School Arts Magazine.

But a builder? Not so much. Among other things, there was no waterproofing under the 11-ton concrete roof, just chicken wire laid over the decking.

Studs were made of various kinds of lumber and placed at seemingly random intervals. Empty chambers and odd-sized rooms were among the many discoveries Le Towt and his team made. It almost seemed to be a miracle the building was still standing after 74 years.

“In some places, the only thing keeping it together was the termites holding hands,” Le Towt laughed.

He said that de Lemos and his wife didn’t intend to live in the house. It was supposed to be the servants’ quarters for their dream home next door. World War II put a halt to the project, and by the time it ended, de Lemos was in poor health. He died in 1954, without seeing his dream home come to fruition.

His widow, children and grandchildren continued to use the cottage for vacations from Palo Alto, but Le Towt said that every time they came back, they found it had been vandalized.

Sold, then donated

In the early 1960s the house was sold to the Pebble Beach Company, which leased it as a vacation rental. It was donated to the Del Monte Forest Conservancy in 1993, and was occupied by a renter until 2003, when it was deemed no longer fit to live in.

It took five years to get a permit to restore the cottage. The permit was set to expire in 2010, but because of the recession, the county decided to renew any permits that were still on the books.

Le Towt became a board member of the Conservancy in 2011 and not long afterward met one of de Lemos’ grandchildren, Phyllis Munsey. Munsey filled in some of the missing history of the cottage and inspired Le Towt to act to restore it.

By the time he began work in 2012, a leaking roof and a decade of being unoccupied had taken their toll. Floors and walls were rotting, adding to the problems caused by de Lemos’ unorthodox construction methods.

Four inches and a single slab

First, the unique roof had to be replaced. De Lemos had hand-carved the colored squares into a single slab of concrete, which was 4 inches thick in places.

Le Towt worked with Scudder Roofing to reproduce de Lemos’ work as closely as possible. Before the old roof was removed, aerial photos were taken. Every square inch of the roof was measured and plotted on a blowup of one of the pictures.

Foam squares the size of the concrete squares were cut out, and after the decking was repaired and waterproofed, they were glued to the roof.

A lightweight concrete product was applied, so the new roof weighs 80 percent less than the original. It was sculpted by hand, and colors for the various squares were mixed with waterproof sealant to restore it to its 1941 glory.

With the roof finished, the team turned to the interior. There was no insulation, the wiring and framing weren’t up to code, and interior walls had to be refinished with sheetrock and plaster.

DeTowt enlisted A&R Plumbing, R&S Plastering, Leavenworth Electric, and



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Ferguson Appliances, Spanish Tile Company, Bohn Sheet Metal, and Will Bullock Painting, all of whom — like Scudder Roofing — provided services at discount and/or donated materials.

Additionally, the construction crew repurposed or reused a lot of the lumber and fixtures. They kept their eyes on details, too. Le Towt pointed out small squares of tile in the bathrooms that echoed the colors of the roof. And most of the modern kitchen appliances are concealed in drawers.

On the back end of the house, Le Towt found two neighboring rooms, each 8-foot-by-22-foot with ceilings just over 6 feet high, one about one-half story higher than the other.

They rebuilt the section with two bedrooms on the lower level and a deck on top, adjacent to the kitchen.

Who will donate?

The project was funded on the “Field of Dreams” financial plan, said Le Towt. When he decided to start work, he discovered that the county permit was about to expire. With no funding sources in sight, Le Towt thought, “If you build it, they will come,” and offered to finance the project himself until other funding could be attracted.

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SHE WANTED A TREEHOUSE AND GOT A RETREAT THAT HUGS HER GOODNIGHT

By **ELAINE HESSER**

THE HOUSE on Loma Alta Road, not far off of Aguajito, is named “Loma Alta Lookout.” It’s exactly what Diane Franich knew she wanted. When she purchased the property, she said there was an existing house with great views of Monterey Bay — after all, Loma Alta means “high hill” — but not much else.

She recalled a boxy building with a persistent mold problem. The land around it desperately needed to be cleared, too. It was rife with invasive species, with plenty of acacia and eucalyptus.

Franich knew immediately she wanted to build “the home the site was calling for,” with 360-degree views and some attractive native landscaping. “I didn’t want to build a McMansion,” she said, “I wanted a tree house!”

When she told designer Dave Wilday that, he immediately seized on the idea of octagons, with windows all around. Franich loved it from the start. The result? Two two-story octagonal buildings that feel like grownup treehouses, joined by a bridge.

Franich gave engineer Michael Martin a lot of credit for the structures’ appearance. The roofs appear almost to float above the buildings. “He’s pretty brilliant,” she said.

No need to turn on the lights

Both structures are open and full of natural light. They provide 4,800 square feet of living space on the 5.5-acre lot. Franich said that there was almost never a need to turn the lights on during the day, and that it would be a great spot for an artist.

That’s good to know, because Franich is ready to sell her

lookout and move on to her next adventure, having lived on the lot for 15 years, and in the home for three years. “I want to have someone else enjoy it now,” she said.

The “big house,” as Franich called the larger of the two buildings, has two bedrooms, each with its own bath, on the first floor. The top level is a wide-open great room, dining area and kitchen, with lots of attention to detail.

The cheerful yellow Aga stove is a standout, as are the copper sink and the large walnut slab counter and breakfast bar. Pendant lights are strung to the perimeter from the center of the room in irregular groupings, giving it a festive, almost carnival sort of feeling.

The first floor of the little house is a two-car garage, although

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Loma Alta Lookout’s appeal lies in both its unusual octagonal design and commanding view of Monterey Bay (left). The second floor of the larger building (above) is home to a great room, a spacious dining area, and a thoroughly modern kitchen.

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THE DAY DADDY BOUGHT THE FARM

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

THE ONLY thing Arabi Conway misses about her old house, a palatial property on Jacks Peak, is the space to dance indoors. But the tradeoff is the opportunity to leap and twirl in the sun across 10 acres of lush lawns and private pastureland, to fly through the air on a swing supported by a sturdy oak, to feed strawberries to cows and stone fruits to pigs, and to get her very own goat as a gift for her 6th birthday.

And, once her parents agreed to put crystal doorknobs throughout the old farmhouse they were renovating, Arabi decided she could happily call the former Carmel Valley Poultry property “home.”

Arabi’s parents are Wendy and Peterson Conway who, along with Arabi’s baby sister India, now live in their own slice of par-

adise — a property Peterson has loved since he was little, growing up across the street, and running over to fetch fresh eggs for the family.

Back then, the property housed 58,000 chickens, Dottie and Bill Dick and their daughters — plus the Silvas and the Aguilars, two farm families who made their homes on site. A second generation of each family is still there, working with the Conways to care for their property, their farm animals and their children.

A playhouse and a coop

What’s gone are the coops for all those chickens, which lived out their lives on the farm, except for two that the Conways kept. One has been repurposed into a dream playhouse for the girls, a cottage of white clapboard like the farmhouse, but with

a sanded oak door with a heart-shaped cutout. The other coop, once reserved for Dottie’s show chickens, is now home to Wendy’s birds. Reconstructed to complement the playhouse, it is what she calls her “dream coop,” with ornate screens covering the windows, and an old carved-wood pillar, turned on its side and cut to create egg boxes.

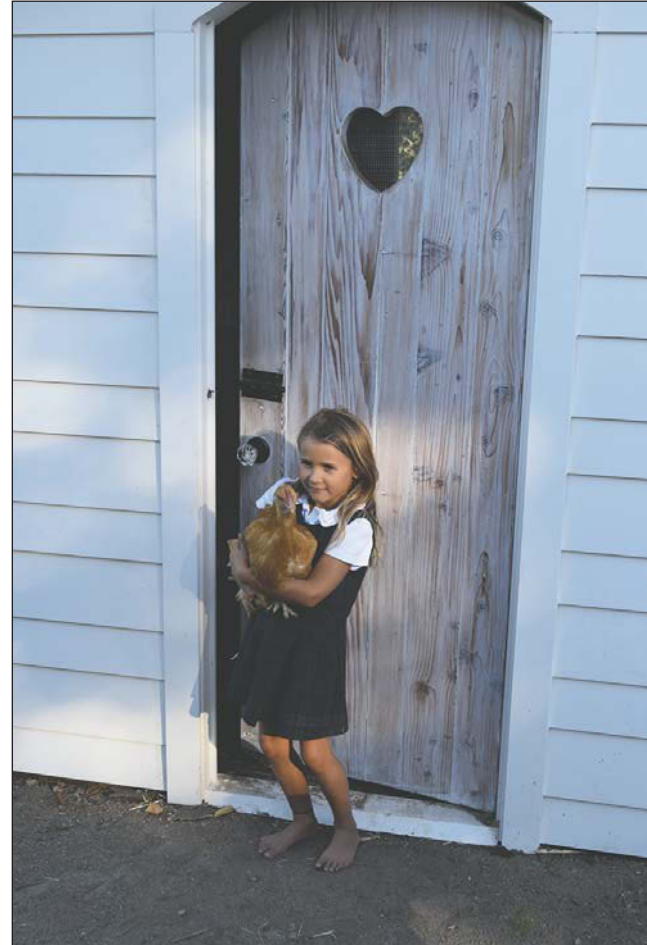
Inside the henhouse, the fanciful Phillipe rules the roost, his brood busily pecking at the dirt. The children cradle the chick-

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(Left) The Conway Family – Arabi, 6, Wendy, Peterson, and India, 21 months – in their field of sunflowers, which will soon be harvested for their seeds. (Right) At the door of the family’s custom chicken coop, Arabi cradles Hazel, one of the family’s 17 chickens that serve as both pets and egg providers.

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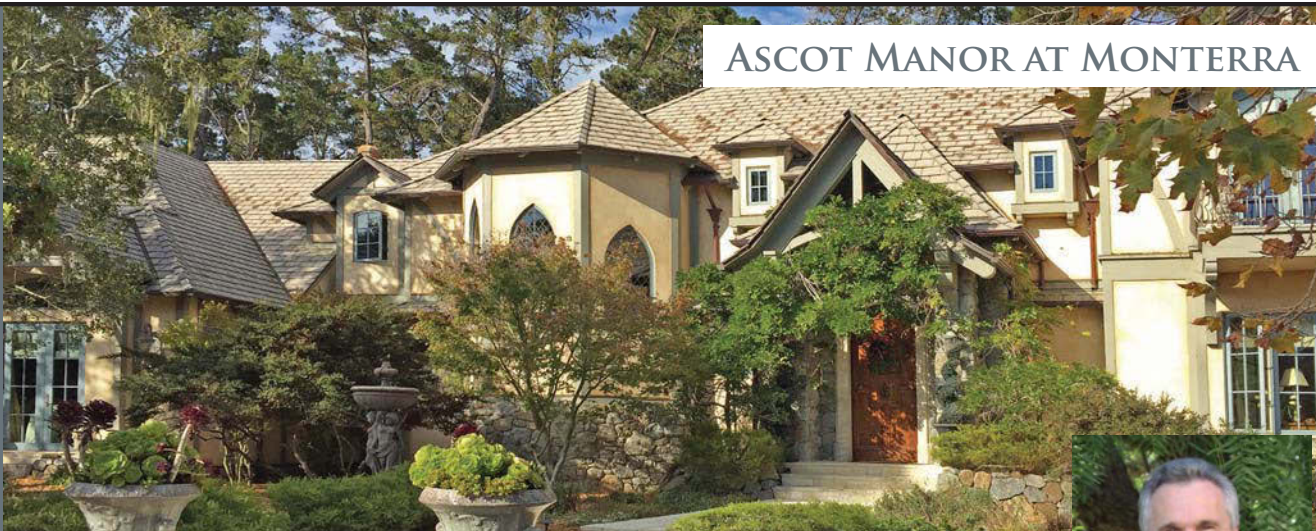
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My candidacy for mayor takes on Trumpian proportions

MY CAMPAIGN is warming up. Exciting things have happened since I announced my candidacy for Mayor of Carmel three weeks ago. First of all, contributions have been pouring in. I mean that literally. Supporters are emptying beer bottles in record amounts to collect the deposits to pay for my TV spots, social networking and (of course) full-page ads in The Pine Cone. That's the good news. The bad news is that people are bringing their empties directly to me. I appreciate their enthusiasm, but I'm running out of big black plastic bags to carry the empties.

In the interest of full disclosure, I'm reporting that so far we've pocketed \$9.75 for my war chest. It is not enough to open a headquarters on Ocean Avenue, but Barack Obama started small, too.

I've received some excellent feedback for the proposals I made in my announcement column. Several persons have commented on my plan to turn Carmel into a completely gated community, like Pebble Beach, so we

can use the gate fees to enrich city coffers. They think it will be costly to erect toll-booths and staff them. They want to know how I am going to pay for everything. The answer is simple. I will build great tollbooths — and nobody builds toll-booths better than me, believe me — and I'll build them very inexpensively. I will build great, great tollbooths on all our borders, and I will make tourists pay for the tollbooths. Mark my words. Yes, I'll get the tourists to pay for it all ... and they're going to love me for it. You know why? Because I know how to get along with tourists. I love them. Some of them are lovely people. But they've been taking advantage of us for a long time. I know how to deal with them. That's what I do. I make deals.

Another thing I'm thinking about is doing away with the planning commission. Don't get me wrong. I love the planning commission. Some of them are lovely people. But I

like chocolate more. I was really upset when the planning commission voted down the Chocolate Factory proposed for Dolores Street. One of the commissioners thought the store would be too touristy. Too touristy?

tough on crime. One thing I intend to do is bring back the pillory system of punishment for the Neanderthals who vandalized the statuary at the Mission, and defaced the statue of Father Serra in Carmel Woods. I'll have stocks set up in Carmel Plaza, or maybe in Devendorf Park. Public humiliation is the right punishment for those jerks. Also, I'll provide free spray paint for anyone who wants to deface the vandals.

Just as pillories are a throwback to an earlier era, as mayor I will try to instill the spirit of a kinder and gentler time in Carmel. In 1955, Carmel-grown San Francisco columnist, Stanton Delaplane, wrote: "In my salad days the village elders were mainly authors and playwrights and painters and sculptors. Carmel was a high-level village." As a writer I believe this makes me more qualified than ever to be mayor. I will ask other artistic peo-

Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVASE

Hey, Mr. Commissioner, who do you think all those people walking around town wearing T-shirts, Bermuda shorts and flip-flops, and carrying shopping bags full of merchandise purchased in our stores are? Those big buses parked on Junipero are not disgorging planning commissioners — they're dropping off tourists with credit cards glued to their foreheads.

It is important for voters to know I will be

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POLICE LOG

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Carmel area: Citizen on Carmel Rancho Lane transported to CHOMP for mental evaluation.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Carmel-by-the-Sea: At 0121 hours, a male on Santa Fe reported his wife took an unknown amount of pills to end her life. The wife was contacted and confirmed she took some pills because she did not want to live anymore. Subject was placed on a 72-hour evaluation hold and was transported to CHOMP.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: City worker found a dog in the area of San Antonio and 11th and brought it to the station for safekeeping. The owner of the dog contacted the P.D., and the dog was returned to its rightful owner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A citizen on Carpenter south of Fourth reported for the first time an ongoing barking-dog complaint. While attempting to contact the dog owner, no violation was heard. A business card was left on the owner's gate and vehicle, requesting contact. Later, the dog owner contacted the department, and possible solutions were discussed.

Carmel area: A 63-year-old female threatened employees at a store at the Crossroads and exposed her breasts to them. The victims were a 69-year-old female and a 20-year-old female.

Pacific Grove: Civil dispute on 18th Street between exes over property and harassing phone calls, and defamation of character. Both parties were advised that this was a civil matter. Female half was adamant that she wanted to seek prosecution for theft.

Pacific Grove: Report of a male causing disruption at an apartment complex on Grove Acre. Contacted the wife, who said the husband has been using drugs in the past few days. They have been arguing for two to three days. Husband has been slamming doors, cursing at his wife, and throwing things. The husband became upset today after finding provocative photos of his wife on Instagram. Both parties agreed to separate for remainder of the afternoon/evening. Husband did not display objective signs of influence.

Carmel Valley: Resident on Schulte Road reported that his credit card account was accessed by an unknown suspect.

Carmel Valley: Citizen called sheriff's office to document that MST transit on Carmel Valley Road has been excessively late, with poor customer service.

Carmel Valley: Resident on Dove Court reported ongoing control of computer data by a known suspect, a 38-year-old male. IP addresses to be provided linking the suspect. Case continues.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Unattended wallet on Junipero north of Eighth turned over to CPD for safekeeping. Owner located, and property returned.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of vandalism of public property at Serra and Camino del Monte.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female at Sixth and Mission reported putting a wallet and lunch on top of the car and then driving off. Wallet was turned in at 1440 hours; the owner was contacted and

a message left.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 29-year-old male and a 21-year-old female were arrested at Guadalupe and First at 1551 hours on drug-related charges, including DUI (for drugs) and possession of unlawful paraphernalia. They were also arrested for the "manufacture, import or sale of any leaded cane, or any instrument or weapon of the kind commonly known as a billy, blackjack, sandbag, sandclub, sap, or slungshot."

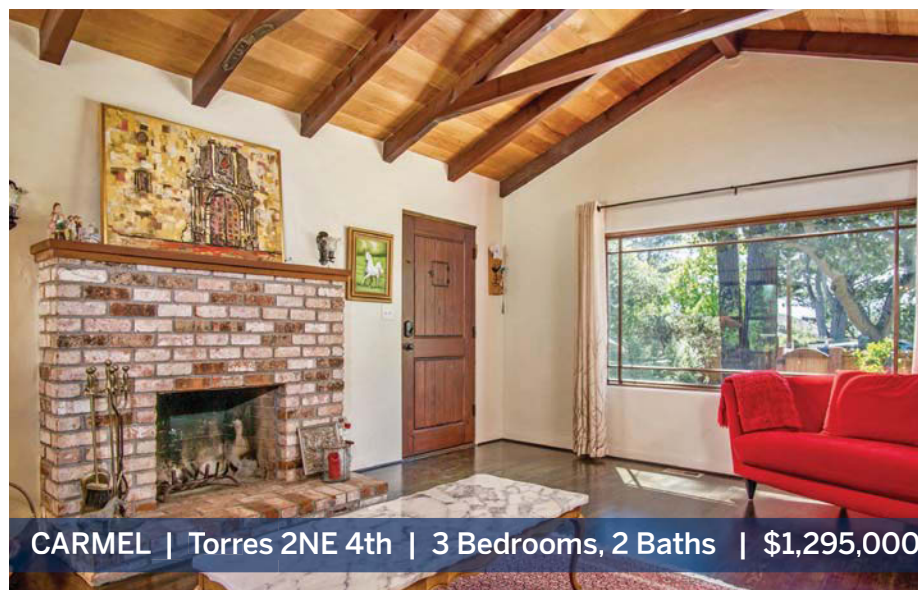
Pacific Grove: Observed a 6-foot pole with a deer sign down on the southeast corner of the road. Public works was advised of the sign.

Pacific Grove: Dispatched to an attempted fraud in progress on Lighthouse Avenue.

Carmel area: Lake Place resident reported a burglary that occurred sometime over the past four months.

Carmel Valley: Observed a rider and passenger on a Honda

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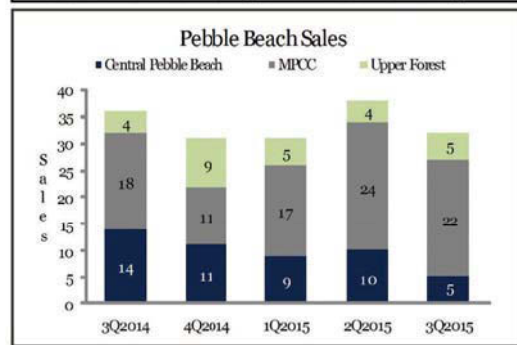
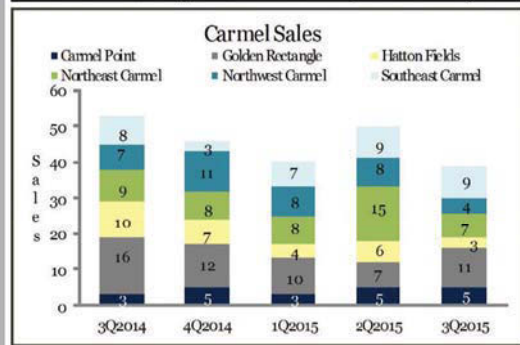
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Market Summary

Carmel				
	Pending	Active	2015 Sales	Ave. Days on Market
<\$1.0M	7	9	30	104
\$1.0M-\$1.5M	6	16	32	149
\$1.5M-\$2.0M	6	21	28	108
\$2.0M-\$2.5M	2	5	14	73
\$2.5M-\$3.0M	1	8	6	88
\$3.0M-\$4.0M	1	11	8	86
\$4.0M-\$6.0M	1	6	7	117
\$6.0M-\$8.0M	1	0	2	0
\$8.0M+	1	4	2	106
Total	25	80	129	109

Pebble Beach				
	Pending	Active	2015 Sales	Ave. Days on Market
<\$1.0M	3	10	23	85
\$1.0M-\$1.5M	5	14	28	98
\$1.5M-\$2.0M	7	11	17	124
\$2.0M-\$2.5M	1	4	9	143
\$2.5M-\$3.0M	1	5	6	144
\$3.0M-\$4.0M	3	5	10	136
\$4.0M-\$6.0M	3	6	6	141
\$6.0M-\$8.0M	1	5	1	339
\$8.0M+	2	10	1	212
Total	26	70	101	146

Tightened inventory levels across Pebble Beach, Carmel, the Carmel Highlands and Quail has slowed overall activity. Pebble Beach sales dropped 16% from 2Q'15 and will likely fall short of 2014's record setting 142 sales. However, the entry ticket into Pebble nudged further above the \$1M threshold as median home prices rose again this quarter, bringing the 2015 price to \$1.488M. The market below \$2M remains strong with over 65% of all sales coming in this bracket this quarter. The \$3-4M sector also continues to thrive, remaining on pace to reach the highest levels on record.



The overriding lack of inventory in Carmel resulted in a slower quarter with just 39 sales in 3Q15, a 22% drop in activity compared to 2Q15 and 26% less than 3Q14. The Golden Rectangle bounced back this quarter with 11 sales (up 36% over last quarter); Southeast Carmel has already surpassed all of 2014 with 25 sales YTD (up 25% over all of 2014) and on target to have the most sales in over 5 years. The top of the market continues to stay strong with 11 sales above \$4M so far this year, almost meeting the 12 in all of 2014.

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AT CITY HALL, THE SMITHSONIAN AND IN YOUR OWN BACKYARD, IT'S BEAUTIFUL BEING GREEN

By ELAINE HESSER

LANDSCAPE DESIGNER Michelle Comeau has an unusual accomplishment on her resume. The Constance Meach Ridder Memorial Garden she designed for city hall has been documented in the Smithsonian Institution's Archives of American Gardens.

The archives exist to "to preserve and highlight a meaningful compendium of significant aspects of gardening in the United States." City hall's listing highlights the branchlike handrails, which Comeau designed to be ADA-compliant, the indigenous stone walls, the patio with its California laurel slab table and the reuse of the old wooden railings in the benches.

There's also a repurposed redwood stump that serves as a fountain.

All of those features came from Comeau's design sensibility. She started her business in 1976, but gardening was an abiding passion for her even before that. Over the years some themes emerged and solidified.

She emphasizes native plants and has a strong belief in functional art, like the table and benches at city hall that can be used for lunch or impromptu meetings. She likes the landscapes she designs to be low-maintenance and of course, drought-tolerant.

You don't need to be city hall

Thankfully, you don't need to be the seat of local government to have a beautiful landscape. You don't need a huge lot, either. The Pine Cone asked to see some smaller spaces that Comeau's designed and she was happy to oblige.

The largest of the three properties in terms of usable outdoor space was Nectar, a white house with a picket fence near Second and Carpenter. Named for the beehives that dot the property, its design evokes a country meadow. Water burbles from features in several places and at different heights, to provide a drink for the bees and a bathing spot for passing birds.

One of the challenges of designing the landscape, said Comeau, was making sure there was something in bloom year round to feed the bees, but she rose to the occasion. There are plenty of flowering plants in different colors that take turns blooming as the seasons change. And, carefully hidden from view, are four 1,000-gallon rainwater catch tanks.

The native grasses are only mowed a few times a year. This practice not only maintains their natural appearance, but also protects the roots and encourages their growth, saving water.

Downtown, across the street from city hall, is Ann and John Grube's home. Comeau said they bought it after staying at Auberge during the holidays and seeing the cute little cottage all

dressed up in red and green lights for Christmas.

There's not much space in back, but Comeau made the most of it. A meandering path leads the eye to the far end of the lot, visually lengthening it. A heated bench of Comeau's design backs up to the fence and partially wraps around a fire pit.

Comeau said she had to send away to Perkasio, in southeastern Pennsylvania, to get the heated cables that warm the seat. Back east, they're used to melt snow.

Two driftwood balls along the path provided amusement for

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You don't have to go very far to see an exhibit from the Smithsonian - City Hall's garden is in its archives. Its designer, Michelle Comeau, demonstrates that even small spaces can provide comfortable, drought-tolerant outdoor living areas.

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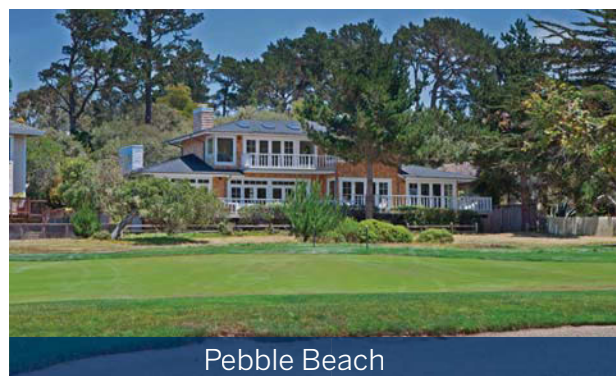
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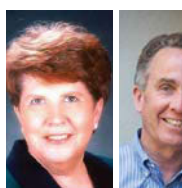
Pebble Beach



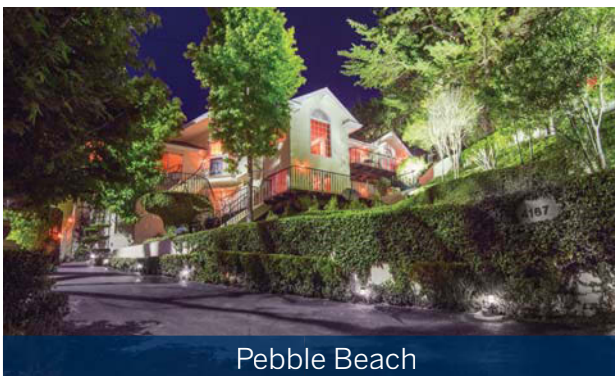
1032 San Carlos Road
Last Asking Price: \$2,849,000
Scott O'Brien
831.620.2351
represented seller



Pacific Grove



189 Lighthouse Avenue
Last Asking Price: \$1,995,000
Linda Guy 831.277.4899
represented seller
Kirk Probasco 831.238.1893
represented buyer



Pebble Beach



4167 Sunset Lane
Last Asking Price: \$1,875,739
Nicole Truszkowski 831.238.7449
represented seller
Mark Capito 831.915.9927
represented buyer



Pasadera



222 Madera Court
Last Asking Price: \$1,595,000
Joan DeMers
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 Phylcia Erickson 831.392.7138



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Situated on a private flag lot, you will find this 3BR/3.5BA approx. 3,769-sq.ft. home. Two master suites on main level, a guest master suite on lower ground/entry level. Three-car garage, with extra storage.



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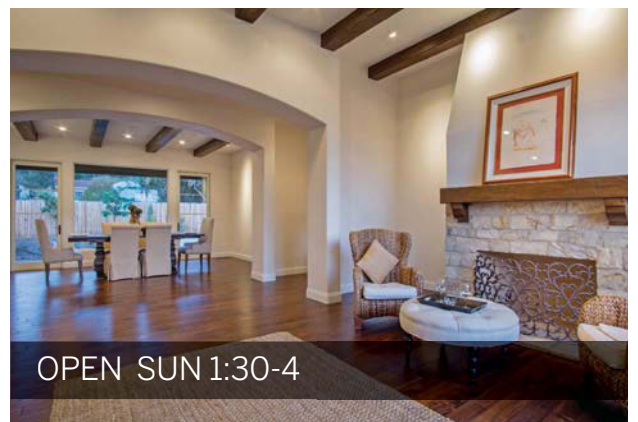


PACIFIC GROVE | 1015 Jewell Avenue | \$1,674,000

Offering a reverse floor plan, with great Monterey Bay views, master suite, updated kitchen, and two decks. Lower level consists of 3 bedrooms (third smaller bedroom, is currently used as an office).



J.R. Rouse 831.277.3464



PACIFIC GROVE | 315 Crocker | \$2,395,000

Single level new construction Mediterranean home with high ceilings, solid wood beams in the living room/dining room & kitchen. Custom cabinetry and oversized island with granite, perfect for the chef.



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OPEN SUNDAY 2:30-4:00



MONTEREY | 580 El Dorado Street | \$1,895,000
Classic Alta Mesa Mediterranean estate with a full detached guest house located on a large & private lot.
Brad Towle 831.224.3370

OPEN SATURDAY 1-4 & SUNDAY 1-3



PACIFIC GROVE | 233 Crocker Avenue | \$1,764,000
Single-level, remodeled 2,558 sq.ft. home offers 3BR/2BA main house with a 1BR/1BA detached guest quarters.
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Single-level 3BR/3BA home with separate den, office, 2-car garage & attached office with separate entrance.
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OPEN SATURDAY 1-4



PACIFIC GROVE | 110 9th Street | \$1,177,000
Tastefully remodeled 2BR/2BA cottage located on a double corner lot, just steps to the water.
Lidna Guy 831.277.4889

OPEN SUNDAY 1-3



CARMEL | 2nd Avenue 2NW Lincoln | \$1,099,000
Big peeks of the ocean through the canyon from this 3BR/3BA home. Fireplace, Oak floors & 3 blocks to town.
Sam Piffero 831.236.5389

OPEN SATURDAY 1:30-4:00



PACIFIC GROVE | 841 Bayview Avenue | \$999,000
This single-level 3BR/2BA ranch home features a fireplace, a gracious front porch and a separate rear garage.
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CARMEL | \$929,000
This 3BR/2BA home features views of the greenbelt, new kitchen appliances and steps to downtown.
Nancy Sanders 831.596.5492



CARMEL | \$899,000
Hardwood floors, a cozy fireplace in the sunny living room & a sweet breakfast nook in the 2BR/1.5BA home.
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CORRAL DE TIERRA | \$695,000
Perched on a spectacular ridge this 20+ acre parcel offers breathtaking soaring pastoral & valley views.
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EXQUISITE PROPERTIES

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16 ARROYO SEQUOIA | \$3,800,000

This beautiful 3,435-sq.ft. Mediterranean style single-level home was designed by architect Richard Rhodes. Nestled among heritage oaks and redwoods, close to The Preserve Golf and Ranch Clubs. This single-level features a beautiful master suite with luxury master bath, fireplace, and French doors, two guest rooms with en-suite baths, a cozy living room, formal dining, den and gourmet kitchen with breakfast nook.

EXQUISITE LAND

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3 RUMSEN TRACE | \$875,000

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motorcycle on Prado del Sol without helmets. The deputy turned around to contact them. Both fled the area, abandoning the motorcycle in the intersection. Unable to locate the subjects.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Baseball glove found at Rio and Ladera.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A male on San Carlos Street reported being battered by his ex-girlfriend, a 46-year-old female. She was arrested.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A report of juveniles jumping between rooftops in the area of Ocean and Lincoln. An area check was conducted, and the juveniles were not located. Minor damage was reported to a fence. No prosecution or documentation desired.

Pacific Grove: Female was contacted sleeping in her vehicle on Ocean View Boulevard. The female was confirmed to have been reported as a missing person. She was evaluated for a mental health hold but did not meet the criteria. She was advised she had been reported as missing and was advised to contact her family and/or friends.

Pacific Grove: Vandalism of a vehicle on Pacific Grove Lane. An ex-boyfriend cut a tire and left the scene.

Carmel area: Ongoing fraud via credit card accounts, an

attempt to get a mortgage, and the suspect diverting the phone and mail service. The victim lives on 15th Street. Case continues.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury traffic collision involving a parked vehicle on Mission Street.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Citizen located a credit card and driver's license on the ground near the beach at Scenic and Del Mar. Person did not notice anyone in the area looking for the lost property, and the person did not know whom it belonged to. The owner was located, and a message was left on her voicemail. The driver's license was placed into the temporary evidence locker pending contact.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Bar employee on Lincoln south of Ocean reported an unwanted person in the establishment causing problems. Bar employee sprayed the unwanted patron with water, patron retaliated by grabbing water sprayer and spraying the bar employee. The two exchanged offensive words, and then the unwanted patron left after the two grabbed at each other's shirts. No criminal offenses reported.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A report of a construction worker damaging a gas line at Monte Verde and Third. Fire department and PG&E arrived on scene and shut off the gas. No injuries or further damage were reported.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman called to report losing her cell phone somewhere in the business area. She wanted to make a report in case the phone was found and turned in for safekeeping. A brief description of the phone was provided.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person from Otis Auto Sales walked into the police station lobby to repossess a vehicle that was originally taken on a 30-day impound. All paperwork completed and the vehicle released to the lienholder.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a hit-and-run traffic collision on Monte Verde Street involving a parked vehicle.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male subject in the police station lobby requested medical help for mental issues.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Ongoing disturbance between the owner of one building and the tenants of another building about employee parking spaces on Ocean west of Mission. Disturbing party tried to get the person into an argument by confronting him about a note left on his vehicle. Disturbing party called the male an "asshole." The male wanted the incident documented, should it escalate. He does not know the name of the disturbing party.

Pacific Grove: Theft from an unlocked vehicle on Sage Court.

Pacific Grove: Vandalism to a vehicle on Cedar Street.

Carmel area: The Monterey County Sheriff's Office located two felons at an Oliver Road residence who were wanted for probation violations and multiple felony arrest warrants. Sheriff's deputies went to the residence, contacted the two felons and arrested them. One of the two suspects was in possession of a loaded semiautomatic pistol, drugs and drug paraphernalia at the

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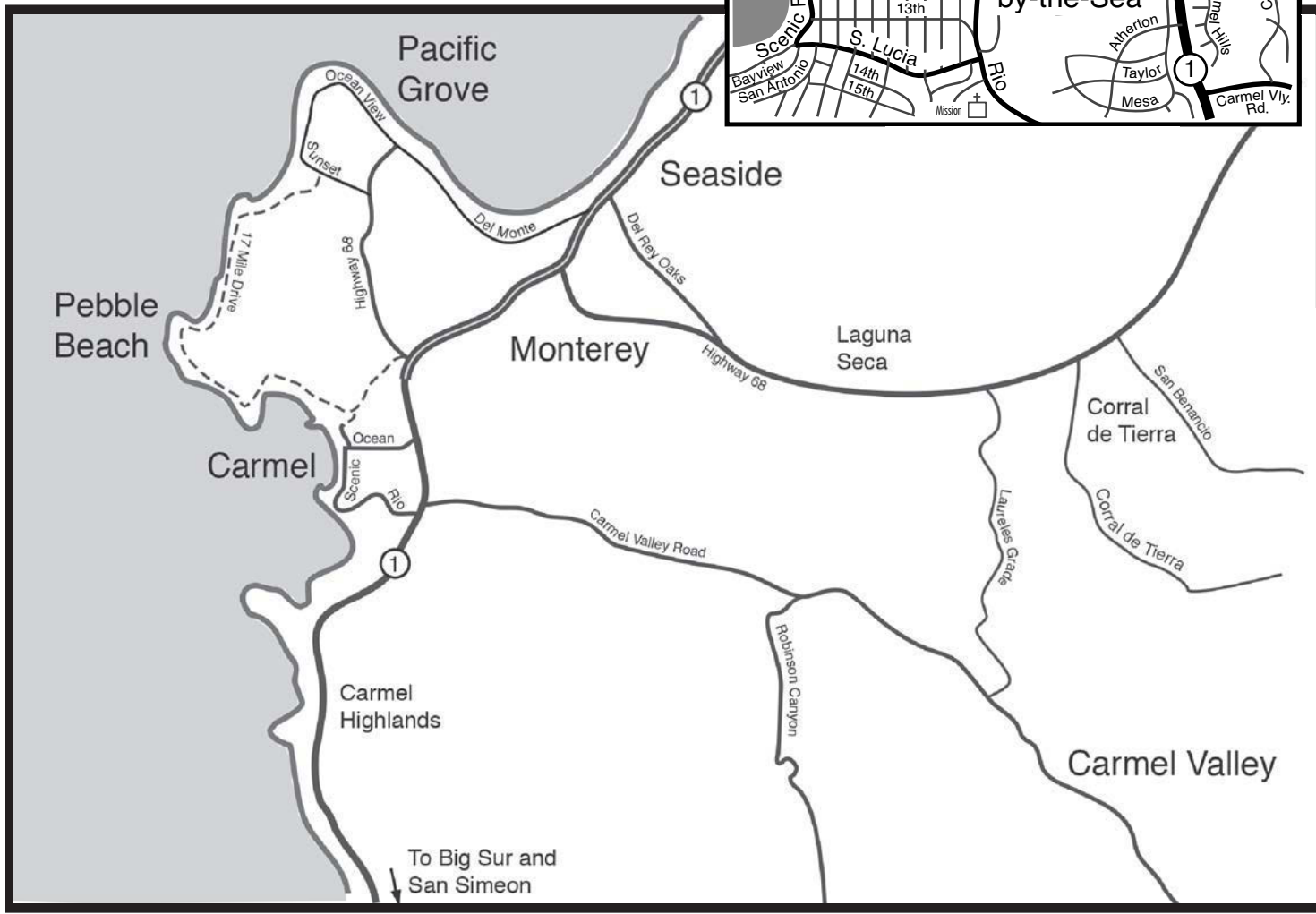
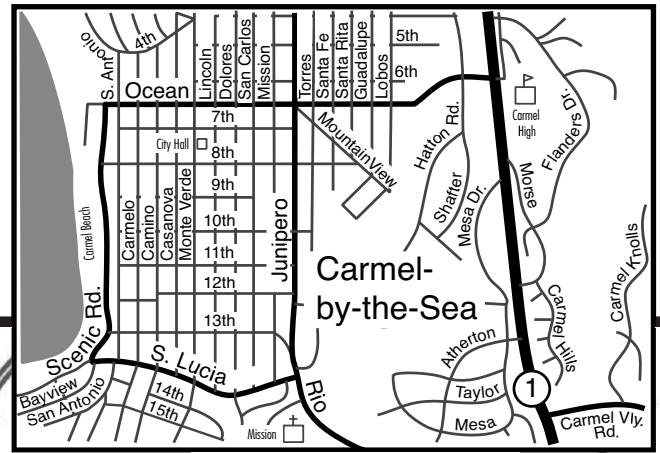
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CARMEL

\$455,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 2-4
262 Hacienda Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 521-6417		
\$579,000	2bd 2ba	Su 12-2
62 Del Mesa Carmel Carmel Keller Williams Realty 277-4917		
\$989,000	2bd 2ba	Su 2-4
1 Del Mesa Carmel Carmel Keller Williams Realty 277-4917		
\$1,099,000	2bd 1.5ba	Sa 9-1 Su 9-3
Torres 5 SE of 1st Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$1,099,000	3bd 3ba	Su 1-3
2nd 2NW of Lincoln Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 595-9291		
\$1,129,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 2-4 Su 12-3
Guadalupe 3 SW of 2nd Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 236-4513 / 869-2424		
\$1,200,000	2bd 2ba	Su 12-2:30
San Carlos 6 NW of Santa Lucia Carmel Carmel Realty Company 521-4855		
\$1,275,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 12-2
25395 Telaranda Way Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 601-5313		
\$1,299,000	4bd 4.5ba	Sa 11-1
3680 Via Mar Monte Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 917-1680		
\$1,339,000	3bd 2ba	Sa Su 12-3
Junipero 3 NE OF 3rd Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 521-5401		
\$1,395,000	4,000sqft	Su 12-2:30
Dolores 2 SE of 11th Carmel Carmel Realty Company 650-380-9827		
\$1,395,000	3bd 3.5ba	Sa 1:30-4
Lincoln 3SE of 5th Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 320-6391		
\$1,450,000	2bd 2ba	Su 1-3
Torres 4 SE of 9th Avenue Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 785-248-8248		
\$1,490,000	3bd 3ba	Sa Su 2-4
25715 Baldwin Place Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 277-2399		
\$1,495,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 12-3
Junipero 2 SE of 2nd Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 229-3461		
\$1,525,000	4bd 3.5ba	Sa 2-4
3543 Greenfield Place Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 236-8571		
\$1,575,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 1-3 Su 1-3
Junipero 8 NW of 10th Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$1,595,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 12-3
Lincoln 2 NE of 2nd Street Carmel Carmel Realty Company 521-4855		
\$1,599,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-3
Santa Fe 8 SW of 8th Street Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 869-8325		
\$1,649,000	3bd 3.5ba	Sa 2-4
3508 Iazzaro Drive Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 601-1721		
\$1,685,000	4bd 4ba	Sa Su 2-4
25247 Hatton Road Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 601-3230 / 626-2222		
\$1,699,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-3 Su 1-3
24816 Santa Rita Street Carmel Carmel Realty Company 737-8582 / 915-8010		
\$1,829,000	2bd 2ba	Su 2-4
Ocean 5NE of Carpenter Avenue Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 277-5936		
\$1,895,000	4bd 3.5ba	Sa 1-4 Su 12-3
24602 Camino Del Monte Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		

This Weekend's OPEN HOUSES

October 10 - 11



\$3,800,000	5bd 4ba	Sa 11-1
577 Aguajito Road - R/C Carmel Teles Properties Carmel 915-8833		
\$3,900,000	5bd 5.5ba	Sa 1:30-1:30
5445 Quail Way Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 238-5535		
\$3,999,000	3bd 3.5ba	Su 12-3
2714 Pradera Road Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		

\$850,000	4bd 2ba	Su 2-4:30
34998 Sky Ranch Road Carmel Valley Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$899,900	5bd 2ba	Su 1-4
37 Village Dr, Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker 601-9071		
\$945,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa Su 1-4
199 Laurel Drive Carmel Valley Peninsula Real Estate Group 238-7838		
\$995,000	2bd 2ba	Su 1-4
371 Ridge Way Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Del Monte 594-5523		
\$1,149,000	4bd 3.5ba	Su 2-4:30
34994 Sky Ranch Road Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 236-7251		
\$1,595,000	5bd 3ba	Sa Su 1-4
27 La Rancheria Road Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 277-6511		
\$1,995,000	3bd 3.5+ba	Sa 1-4 Su 1-4
455 Via Los Tulares Carmel Valley Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$2,625,000	5bd 3.5ba	Su 1-3
33 Los Robles Rd. Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 236-8572		

\$924,000	3bd 3ba	Sa Su 12-3
621 McClellan Monterey Sotheby's Int'l RE 915-1535		
\$1,295,000	4bd 2.5ba	Su 1-4:30
4 Wright Place Monterey Sotheby's Int'l RE 420-8000		
\$1,498,000	4bd 3.5ba	Su 1-3
817 Martin Street Monterey Sotheby's Int'l RE 402-1982		

MONTEREY/SALINAS HIGHWAY

\$749,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-3
26 Paseo Hermoso Mtry/Slns Hwy The Jacobs Team 236-7976		
\$849,000	3bd 4.5ba	Su 1-3
25385 Markham Ln Mtry/Slns Hwy Keller Williams Realty 236-6876		
\$1,820,000	4bd 5ba	Sa 1-4
9460 York Rd Mtry/Slns Hwy Keller Williams Realty 229-4651		

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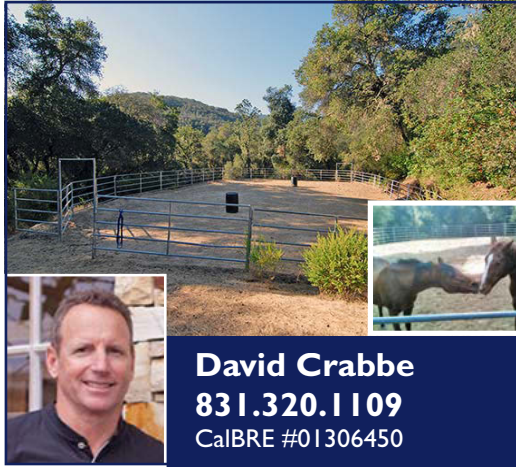
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218 Chestnut Street Pacific Grove Coldwell Banker Del Monte 229-6697		
\$750,000	2bd 1ba	Sa 1-4 Su 12-3
10 Marine Street Pacific Grove Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$785,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1:30-3:30
325 Eardley Ave Pacific Grove The Jones Group 917-4534		
\$829,000	2bd 2ba	Fr 12-2 Sa 11:30-1:30
310 Park Street Pacific Grove Sotheby's Int'l RE 915-9710		
\$850,000	3bd 2ba	Su 12-2
61 Companion Way Pacific Grove Sotheby's Int'l RE 277-2782		
\$898,000	4bd 2ba	Su 1:30-3:30
1319 Lawton Avenue Pacific Grove Coldwell Banker Del Monte 229-6697		
\$999,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 1:30-4
841 Bayview Ave Pacific Grove Sotheby's Int'l RE 915-9710		
\$1,050,000	4bd 2.5ba	Sa 2-4
1112 Austin Avenue Pacific Grove Sotheby's Int'l RE 595-0797		
\$1,150,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-3
657 Spazier Avenue Pacific Grove Coldwell Banker Del Monte 214-0105		
\$1,177,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1-4
110 9th Street Pacific Grove Sotheby's Int'l RE 277-4899		
\$1,198,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 12-3
411 Granite Street Pacific Grove Coldwell Banker Del Monte 207-5539		
\$1,275,000	5bd 3ba	Su 11-1
404 Lighthouse Avenue Pacific Grove Coldwell Banker Del Monte 229-6697		
\$1,279,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 12-2
113 11th Street Pacific Grove DeLuca Real Estate Group 778-4538		
\$1,300,000	4bd 3ba	Sa 12-2
940 Forest Ave Pacific Grove DeLuca Real Estate Group 515-6769		
\$1,925,000	4bd 3ba	Sa Su 1:30-3:30
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\$1,950,000	4bd 4ba	Sa 1:30-4:30
Ocean Avenue 3 SE of Forest Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 601-2200		
\$1,999,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-3
Guadalupe 4 NE of 6th Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 595-0676		
\$2,495,000	4bd 3ba	Sa 1-4
25027 Hatton Road Carmel Carmel Realty Company 236-2268		
\$2,495,000	8,000sqft	Su 12-2:30
SE Corner Dolores & 11th Carmel Carmel Realty Company 650-380-9827		
\$2,695,000	3bd 4.5ba	Su 1-3
Dolores 7SW of 13th Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 915-9771		
\$2,699,000	4bd 2ba	Sa 1-4
24393 Portola Avenue Carmel Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040		
\$2,750,000	4bd 4ba	Sa 1-4 Su 1:30-4
25495 Shafter Way Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 415-990-9150 / 320-6391		
\$2,795,000	4bd 3ba	Su 1-3
10th Avenue 2 NE of Mission Carmel Carmel Realty Company 595-5045		
\$3,000,000	4bd 3ba	Sa 2-4
Casanova 5 SW of 13th Carmel Carmel Realty Company 601-5483		
\$3,050,000	4bd 3ba	Su 1-3
26337 Carmelo Street Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 869-8325		
\$3,395,000	3bd 3ba	Su 1-4
Carmelo 2 NW of 7th Carmel Heisinger Real Estate 392-6411		
\$3,595,000	4bd 3.5ba	Su 12-4
26294 Carmelo Street Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 596-3825		

\$4,295,000	4bd 3.5ba	Sa Su 11-1
Carmelo & 4th NW Corner Street Carmel Coldwell Banker Del Monte 915-9771 / 236-8800		

CARMEL HIGHLANDS

\$3,285,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 1:30-4 Su 12:30-3
89 Yankee Point Drive Carmel Highlands David Lyng Real Estate 601-9740		
\$9,950,000	9bd 6.5ba	Su 1-4
174 Spindrift Road Carmel Highlands Coldwell Banker Del Monte 601-1721		

CARMEL VALLEY

\$175,000		Sa Su 2-4
Laurel Springs Road Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Del Monte 277-2399		
\$220,000	0bd 0ba	Sa Su 9-9:30
35046 Sky Ranch Road Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 236-8572		
\$250,000	4bd 1ba	Sa 2-4
Tassajara Road Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Del Monte 277-6039		
\$549,000	bd ba	Sa 10-10:30
306 Country Club Heights Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 236-8572		
\$699,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
5 Cummings Drive Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 236-7251		
\$775,000	2bd 2ba	Su 12-4
153 Del Mesa Carmel Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222		
\$795,000	5bd 4ba	Sa 12-2
121 Hitchcock Canyon Road Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Del Monte 238-5793		

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TREEHOUSE

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the property also includes a barn that could be converted for that use. The garage has a full bath with a celestial-themed shower — black with specks of sparkling tile cascading down the side. It's just the place to clean up after a day at the beach or a long hike in the woods.

The master suite is on the second floor, and includes a jade-green soaking tub and hand shower. Franich noted that although there are windows all around, when she closes the cur-

tains, she feels "hugged."

The home was built with many green features. It has solar panels on the roof, and solar-heated water is used for radiant heat in the floors. The main building material is autoclaved aerated concrete, or AAC. According to the manufacturer, it's made up of "fine aggregates, cement, and an expansion agent that causes the fresh mixture to rise like bread dough." It's about 80 percent air and is an excellent insulator.

The AAC is covered in lime plaster — the same plaster used to restore Carmel Mission. "It's been around for hundreds of years," said

Franich, explaining that the exterior plaster was mixed with green pigment before it was applied.

The walls that are not solid concrete are insulated with recycled denim. There's something pleasingly symmetrical about having hippies' blue jeans become green insulation.

One of the most striking things about the property is the feeling of seclusion, despite having neighbors nearby. When Franich sits on the — of course — octagonal deck next to the house and enjoys the views, the clicking of hummingbirds and chirping of finches fill the air, as does the sound of surf. "Sometimes it's

from Carmel Bay and sometimes it's from Monterey Bay," said Franich, adding that she could often hear sea lions, too.

Additional outdoor seating can be found throughout around the buildings, and although Franich doesn't entertain frequently, she said, "This house really likes a party!"

There's a small patch of lawn behind the home, bordered by salvia, lavender and Bougainvillee. In addition to the barn, Franich put in chicken coops. The property has its own well.

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Casa de Lemos invites guests to enjoy the views of Seal Beach, Bird Rock and China Rock. The picturesque breezeway is one of many features restored by the Del Monte Forest Conservancy.

GINGERBREAD

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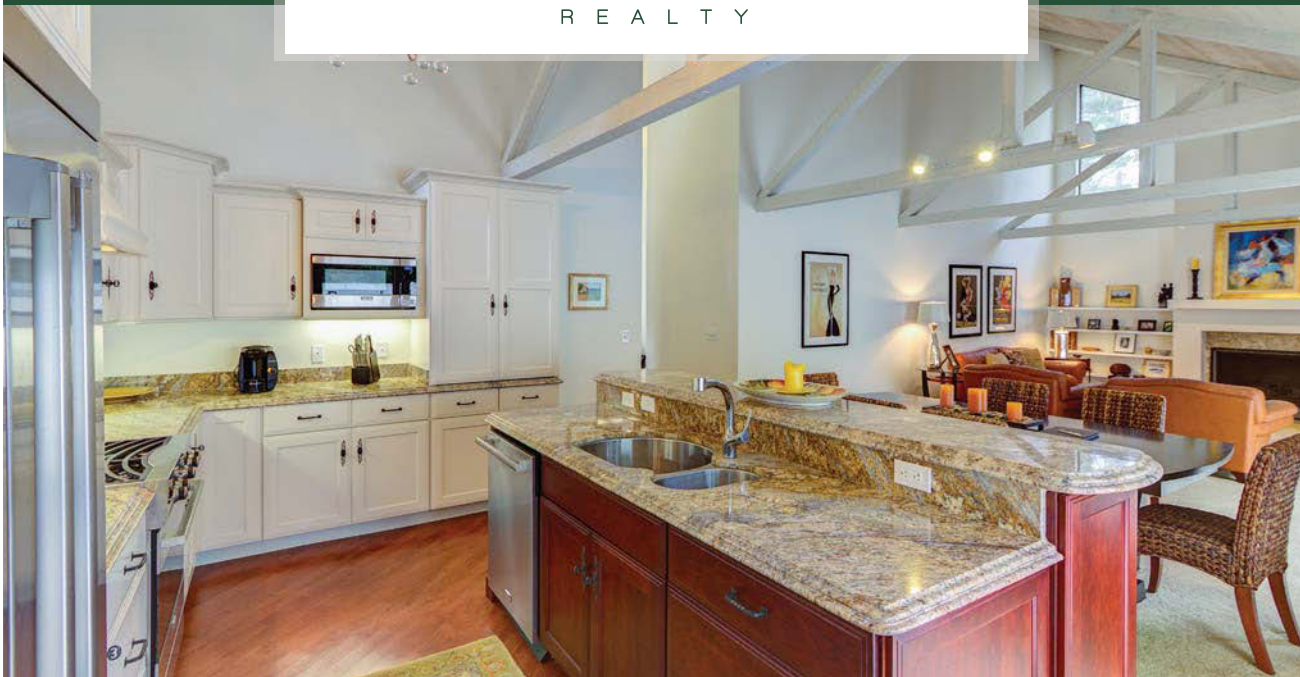
Sure enough, work started and the money began coming in. Le Towt said local residents stepped up immediately. He also mentioned that Mark Stilwell of the Pebble Beach Company donated water credits so that they could add a bathroom.

In fact, at times the interview with Le Towt sounded like an Oscar acceptance speech, as he

worked hard to remember to thank everyone who helped. He was especially grateful for his general contractor R. C. Banjanin. Carmel Realty currently manages the cottage as a long-term rental, with all of the income going to the Del Monte Forest Conservancy.

They can certainly use it. As part of Pebble Beach's master plan, the conservancy just became responsible for another 750 acres of open space, bringing the total amount of land they manage to about 1,400 acres, including 75 miles of hiking and riding trails.


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FARM

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ens like babies and help Wendy gather fresh eggs for breakfast.

“I grew up in La Jolla Shores,” says Wendy, “and was constantly bringing home chickens and ducks. I got my first chicken when I was 6 years old, and I remember how it sat on my lap at the dinner table. But as much as I always had to have a chicken, I never imagined living on a farm, with pigs and cows, lambs and goats, a couple of horses and a barn cat, and driving a tractor. God, no. I was a stiletto girl.”

Now, she can't imagine her life any other way.

Back to the Monterey Peninsula

Peterson, who is pursuing a career in technology and spends a lot of time in a private plane, which takes him to a world far away from the farm, and Wendy, a former engineer, met at a restaurant in San Francisco when she stopped to admire his Australian shepherd. The couple married and moved back to Peterson's hometown to raise their family.

Yet, in the 10,000-square-foot house on Jacks Peak they bought from Peterson's father who, for more than 40 years, has owned Conway of Asia boutique gallery on Dolores Street, it seemed as if they were still living their fast-paced, sophisticated San Francisco life. So in May 2013, Peterson came home and announced that he had bought his family a farm.

“That's just my husband,” says Wendy. “He had to have it. It represented what we both wanted – a different life. I was done with stilettos. I wanted to wear flip flops in the front yard, and mud boots in the back. We wanted to be with our kids, to have them grow up here, and love living here instead of being dragged to two after-school activities a day for entertainment.”

And so, the renovations began, always with family in mind, both theirs and the former family who created the environment they would call home.

Bill and Dottie Dick were living in Saratoga, where she was a stay-at-home mother to three daughters, and he was a businessman who drove all over California selling superior feed formulas to ranchers whose animals were not thriving. After befriending a man named Mr. James, who was looking to sell his Carmel Valley ranch, Bill bought it in 1967 for \$130,000. Five years after

establishing his egg ranch, he had paid off his debt.

Their two eldest daughters, already grown, visited often. Yet their youngest, Melinda Boren, was 15 when they moved to the ranch.

“On our first night there,” says Melinda, “I heard a hoot owl outside my bedroom window. It scared me to death. But I grew to love the ranch. Eventually, I married and moved to a house two lots down, behind the winery, where I raised my kids and grew my flowers, which I sold in my mother's egg-and-produce store at the ranch.”

Her mom, she said, had never worked a day in her life, “but she worked hard running the egg store, often selling eggs and produce on an honors basis after hours. The middle section of our property was all vegetables – corn, tomatoes, cucumbers – and raspberries. My mom would sell all this fresh produce, and the jam she made from the raspberries.”

After Melinda's parents passed away four months apart in 2010, the hardest part of anticipating the sale of her family property, where her parents' ashes are scattered beneath a figure of St. Francis of Assisi, was imagining a potential razing of her farmhouse, and the mansion that might take its place.

“I didn't want to sell the family farm,” says Melinda. “But then Peterson, who had gone to Carmel High School with our kids, gave us a great letter about what they wanted to do, the life he and Wendy wanted to create there for their family, and the plans they had to protect the property. We are so glad they bought it; to imagine them raising those little girls there is wonderful. My parents would be so pleased.”

A vision of preservation

The Conways renovated the farmhouse to create a contemporary ranch kitchen, but kept the wood-burning stove where the Dick family had enjoyed their morning coffee. They brought in more light to the rooms, and built a more dramatic front entrance, but their vision was one of preservation.

“After spending 10 years living in San Francisco, both working in technology,” says Wendy, “finally getting to run a farm is pretty much a dream. Also, restoring the 1920s farm house and preserving the barns, with deep thoughts of the former owners

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While being careful to maintain the architectural style of the original farmhouse, the Conways designed a dramatic new entrance (left). They also customized the kitchen, creating an inviting space that serves as the hub of the home (above).

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POLICE

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time of his arrest. Both suspects were transported to and booked into the Monterey County Jail. Suspects were a 23-year-old male and a 19-year-old female.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury traffic col-

lision on Lincoln Street involving occupied parked vehicle.

Pacific Grove: Lighthouse Avenue resident reported theft of a credit card and subsequent fraudulent charges in various businesses in the area. Investigation ongoing.

Carmel Valley: A 31-year-old male suspect was contacted at a Wawona Road residence during a domestic disturbance. The suspect was repeatedly told to stay in his house due to his level of intoxication but refused. He was

taken to jail for public intoxication.

Carmel Valley: A 78-year-old female victim on Paseo Robles reported an unknown suspect had stolen her deed of trust, charitable deed and numerous checks.

Carmel Valley: Nason Road resident reported a verbal dispute with her husband.

Carmel area: Dove Court resident reported a civil dispute regarding child custody.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a suspicious circumstances/suspicious person on Poppy Tree Lane.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Resident on Torres south of Second reported that his neighbors' dogs burrowed underneath their common fence and ran around in his backyard. Resident is worried the dogs may harm his two cats if they do it again. Resident was advised the issue was civil, and he would need to contact the neighbor for follow-up to prevent future occurrences.

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CHICKENS

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and the lives they led here, was a phenomenal experience."

The Conways also plowed the fallow ground and planted 150 fruit trees — apricots, plums, pluots and pears — and just as many olive trees from which they will make olive oil this year. The family, whose goal is to "live off the fatta the land," also grows pumpkins and sunflowers, and is looking to grow grapes.

After her day at Stevenson School, Arabi, whose name means "paradise" in Farsi, sells produce on the side of the road. Her venture

generates an average of \$33 an hour.

"A policeman stopped by, but it was just to pick up some plums," says Wendy. "Arabi has permits in her name, and the payment requested for produce is simply 'donations.' She saves everything she makes, and we match it, which is paying for her schooling."

Wendy regularly pulls big bags of farmers market produce from the back of her Tesla to feed the pigs and her dairy cow Dottie, from whom they consume a half gallon of fresh milk a day.

"Every night, after baby India finishes her bottle of milk before bed," says Wendy, "she says, 'Thank you, Dottie.'" Her parents are just as grateful to Dottie and Bill Dick for the place they now call home.

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helped enrich lives of children with life-threatening medical conditions for more than three decades.

The black-tie-optional event is from 5:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. at 25000 Via Malpaso in Carmel. For tickets and information, go to www.montereybaygala.com, call (415) 982-9474 or email events@sfwish.org.

GERVASE

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ple to serve their community by running for city council and for the planning commission. I would get the best guys, oh, and the best women, too. Because I really cherish women. I know these people, these artists, and they've already expressed an interest in working with me. I will ask astute business people to help, too. One is Howard Brunn. He's was in the war and he was never captured. I like people that weren't captured.

You know, another good reason to have artists as elders is to spruce up Carmel. I mean, get off Ocean on some of the cross streets and all you see is buildings painted that drab hog's breath burnt amber. I will make it easier for business people to make their storefronts more colorful like in Burano, Italy, where every house and shop is a different color.

Anyway, if it weren't for me you wouldn't even be talking about these issues. These were not subjects on anybody's mind until my announcement. That's the truth. I would get things done, because that's what I do. Sometimes people say, "Mr. Gervase, you're not a nice person." But actually I am. I can never apologize for the truth.

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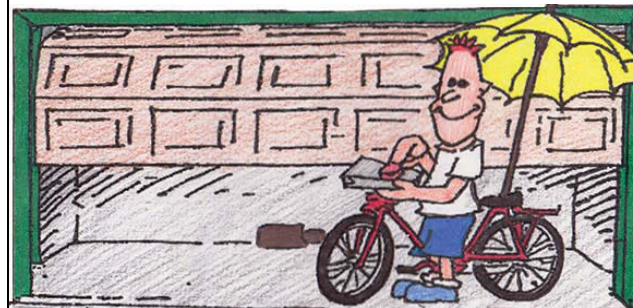
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LOG

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vandalism of the Carmel Mission occurred sometime during the night. No suspect(s) have been identified at this time.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Theft of a sign on Dolores south of Fifth.

Pacific Grove: Patrol vehicle damaged while backing on Rio Road in Carmel. Damage occurred while backing. Scrapes to right rear passenger door.

Pacific Grove: Resident on David Avenue claimed his stepmother hit him three times with a closed right fist on his right arm and pushed him because she wanted him to get out of the downstairs bathroom. Resident declined to sign a complaint placing his stepmother under arrest but requested this incident be forwarded to the DA's office for review.

Pebble Beach: Resident on Crest Road reported theft from his unlocked vehicle while it was parked in the driveway at his residence.

Big Sur: A 22-year-old male subject climbed down a cliff in Big Sur off of Highway 1, then was unable to return to the top.

Monterey County SAR and Cal Fire rescued the subject.

Pebble Beach: Crest Road resident reported theft from her unlocked vehicle while it was parked.

Pebble Beach: Resident on Crest Road reported theft from three of her unlocked vehicles while they were parked at her residence.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman at Dolores and Fifth reported the theft of her disabled placard.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a physical domestic dispute at Mission and Ocean. The 25-year-old female was arrested for violation of a domestic violence court order and possession of medication without a valid prescription. The 27-year-old male was booked on charges of corporal injury on a spouse or cohabitant, false imprisonment with violence, and disobeying a domestic-relations court order.

Pacific Grove: Report of neighbors on Crocker Avenue hitting each other.

Pacific Grove: A suspect stole the front license plate off of the victim's vehicle on

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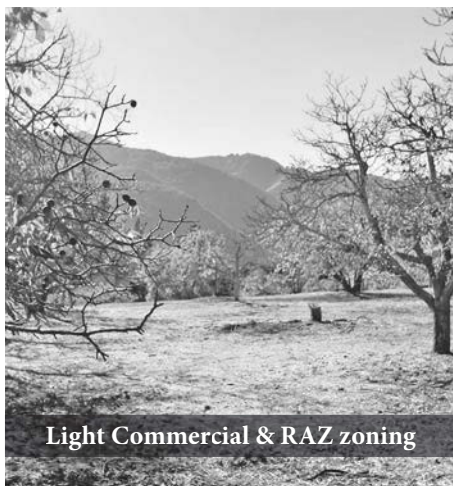
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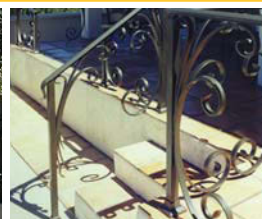
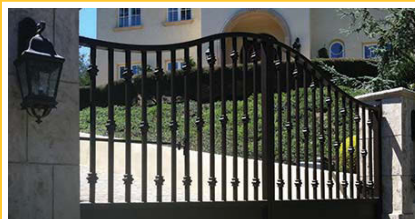
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Fountain Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Subject took merchandise from a store at Country Club Gate and left without paying for it. The 56-year-

old female was arrested for shoplifting.

Pacific Grove: Unknown subject threw an item, striking and breaking a window at the victim's apartment on Grove Acre. No suspects.

Pebble Beach: Crest Road resident reported theft from his unlocked vehicle while it was parked at his home.

Carmel Valley: Robley Road resident reported she and her husband were in a verbal argument.

Local proposal wins award from sustainable water group

A RECYCLED WATER project proposal that would turn wastewater into drinking water has received accolades from a leading organization that encourages sustainable water projects.

The WaterReuse Association, an organization that promotes sustainable water projects, named Pure Water Monterey — a recycled water project proposed by the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency — Agriculture Project of the Year, according to the water district this week.

"We are honored to receive this prestigious award," Dave Stoldt, general manager of the water district said in a prepared statement. "To be recognized for our project's commitment to providing a safe and sustainable supply of water for Monterey County."

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a local squirrel during our visit, and a dish-like fountain perched on branches reminiscent of the handrails at city hall completes the lot.

For Comeau, landscaping includes all the senses. She loves the trickling sound of water

features, for example, which is why you find them in so many of her designs. Fruit trees and herbs like rosemary also find their ways into some of her designs — and presumably onto the clients' tables.

The third property was a Mediterranean home at 17th and Carmelo. When she started working on it, the "front yard" was all pavement. It was basically a parking lot to compensate for the small garage. In addition, the own-

ers are outdoor enthusiasts who needed a place to store their kayaks.

She transformed the parking lot and the owners transformed their rides, buying a couple of Cooper minis. The front yard now has low green shrubs, big tufts of grass, an apple tree, a signature heated bench and a tall water feature.

The kayaks are hidden away behind some foliage and a pathway leads to a small sitting area around the back, using what was once "dead space." A long, narrow path looks like a charming European alley, in keeping with the

house's design. It ends in a small barbecue area and outdoor shower.

Comeau described the process of landscape design as "a puzzle," in which clients' desires, the style of the home and the environment each play a role. She said she sometimes has to talk clients out of their initial ideas, largely because they come from all over the world, and the plants they remember and want wouldn't do well here.

In the end, she wants to make all the outdoor spaces she designs places the clients and their guests will "never want to leave."

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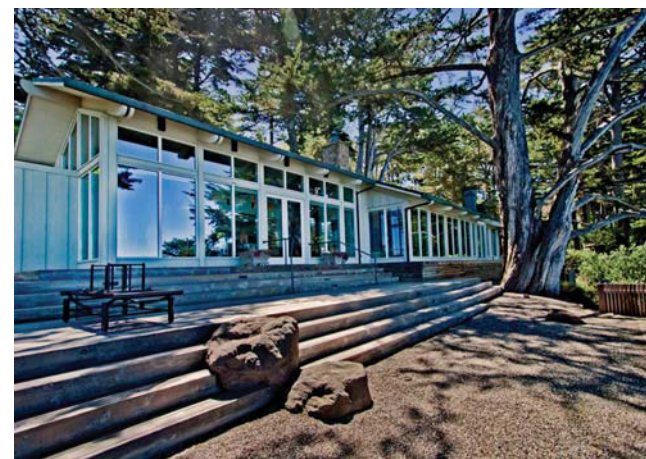
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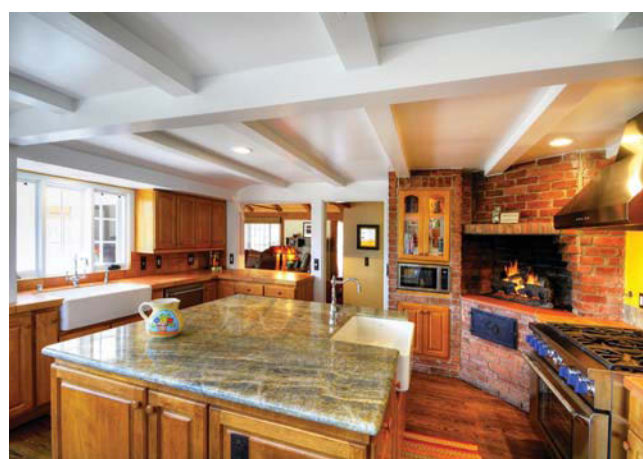
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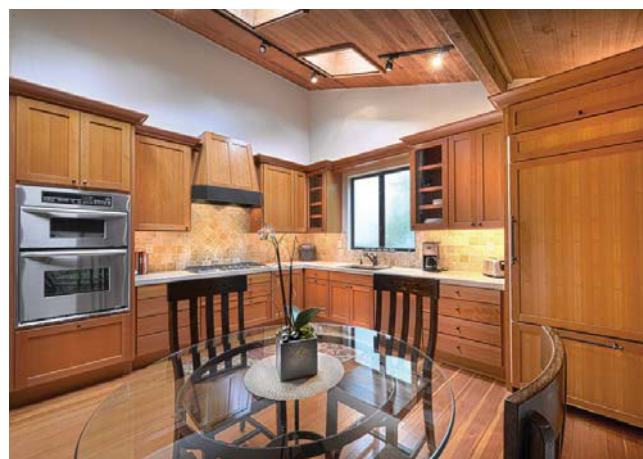
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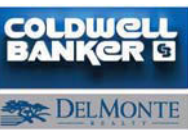
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