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Desal test well restarts

By KELLY NIX

THE DESALINATION test well in Marina — intended to determine if slant wells are suitable to supply water to a full-scale desal plant — was turned back on Tuesday after five months of being shut off.

Cal Am turned off the well in June after groundwater levels dipped around it.

But at an Oct. 6 meeting of the California Coastal Commission in Long Beach, the commission decided the well could be restarted because the drop in groundwater wasn't caused by its operation.

"It's really exciting to be able to resume operations of the well and continue critical data collection," Catherine Stedman of Cal Am told The Pine Cone. "And we look forward to posting the new results, and future results, as the long-term operation of the well moves forward."

When it was shut off, Cal Am crews disassembled the components to clean out silt and sediment, and perform other routine maintenance procedures. Workers reassembled the well and flipped on the switch at about 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Cal Am engineering manager Ian Crooks said.

"You initially turn the well on and the pumping flushes water to a percolation pond," he explained. "That is to make sure it meets water quality requirements so it can be discharged back to the ocean" through an outfall pipe.

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Workers preparing to pull components from Cal Am's test well in Marina to perform routine maintenance ahead of this week's restart of the \$10 million facility. The photo was taken about two weeks ago.

Burnett: Water shortage a threat to DLI and NPS

By KELLY NIX

WHEN THE federal government in 1993 considered relocating the Defense Language Institute to a military base in Arizona, local leaders argued successfully that the base had limited water resources. But Carmel Mayor Jason Burnett said that same argument could come back to haunt the Peninsula in just two years.

To prevent the DLI's move to Fort Huachuca, former Monterey City Manager Fred Meurer and others cited persistent water problems in that area of Arizona as a reason DLI should stay in Monterey. That argument and others worked, and the installation stayed put. But as early as 2017, the feds could revisit the idea of closing DLI, and NPS, and when they do, the lack of water on the Monterey Peninsula will be front and center.

"We need to make sure water is not the vulnerability that allows a governor of some other state to steal the DLI or Naval Postgraduate School," Burnett told The Pine Cone. "We know water will be a topic. We have to make sure that the water argument doesn't come back and bite us."

The Peninsula, he said, must be prepared. Local politicians and business leaders need to regularly discuss the issue. The Monterey

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Dog park rejected by unanimous supes

■ Planning commission action decried by Potter, Armenta

By CHRIS COUNTS

PUTTING THE kibosh on a project that neighbors claimed would increase traffic and noise, the Monterey County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0 this week not to grant a permit for the proposed Carmel Canine Center.

The vote wasn't surprising because the canine center generated so much opposition from the surrounding neighborhood. But few people who attended the Oct. 27 meeting, which filled the supervisors chambers in Salinas, could have anticipated the criticism supervisors directed at the planning commission, which had earlier voted unanimously to approve the canine center.

Too many questions

For more than two years, county planning commissioner Martha Diehl and two partners waded through the planning process in an effort to establish a private dog training facility on 47 acres located at 8100 Valley Greens Dr. But from the start of this week's hearing, it was clear public sentiment was against it. According to supervisor Fernando Armenta's count, 34 speakers opposed the project, while only nine spoke in favor of it.

Also speaking out against the project were two attorneys — Tony Lombardo, who represented Quail Lodge, and Molly Erickson, who represented a neighborhood group, Friends of Quail.

According to Lombardo, the canine center "would generate significant amounts of unmitigated traffic" and "increase water use," and "could result in the loss of jobs" at Quail Lodge.

Erickson told supervisors the project "fails any traffic test" and noted that her partner, attorney Michael Stamp,

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PHOTO/CHRIS COUNTS

A sign posted on the front gate of the would-be Carmel Canine Center has been scrawled with the message, "Denied" — a reference to the county supervisors' rejection of a permit for the project Oct. 27.

Mehdipour, Potter meet on mothball plan

By KELLY NIX

THE SILICON Valley CEO at the center of a battle over her plans to raze her rickety 1950s Pebble Beach home has asked the county to make changes to a mothballing order requiring her to seal up the structure so it's protected from the elements.

Dave Potter told The Pine Cone Monday that he met Massy Mehdipour last week at her behest, to discuss the mothballing plan, which the county's historic resources review board decided on Sept. 3 she must fulfill.

"She wanted a chance to go back to the county building official and ask him if she could modify the plan so

it's not as expensive," Potter said.

Also at the meeting was Mehdipour's son, Sateez Kadivar, along with public relations man David Armanasco.

The plan would require her to seal up the 1958 house at 1170 Signal Hill Road so it's not further damaged.

Mehdipour has already spent more than \$125,000 on shoring up the house to comply with a county order, and will have to spend a lot more than that if she's required to restore it. While county supervisors were set to consider the mothballing plan last week, the meeting was post-

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SHERIFF: OVERNIGHT PATROLS WON'T BE RESTORED UNTIL MIDDLE OF NEXT YEAR

By KELLY NIX

IT COULD take as long as eight months to restore overnight shifts for deputies who patrol the unincorporated areas of the Monterey Peninsula, Monterey County Sheriff Steve Bernal told The Pine Cone this week.

His comments were in response to questions raised after a report last week that Bernal had suspended overnight patrols in Carmel Valley, Pebble Beach and other coastal areas.

The situation arose earlier this month when Bernal transferred 18 deputies from patrol to the county jail in Salinas, which he said was understaffed. The move, which Bernal said was necessary to reduce \$500,000 per month being spent on overtime at the jail, means that residents of the unincorporated areas of the Peninsula will have to wait longer before a deputy can respond to a



PHOTO/JELAIN HESSER

Because the need at the county jail in Salinas is so much greater, extra sheriff's deputies will be deployed there at least until mid-2016, Steve Bernal says.

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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Spice girl

THEIR HOUSEHOLD was grown up, organized, quiet. Everything was, as they left it, whenever they returned home. They kinda liked it that way. But it also felt kinda empty.

Until they brought home a baby long-haired Chihuahua mix, who caught their attention and their hearts as she played with a ball at the SPCA.

She was a spice-colored little thing who, at 5 months, weighs only six pounds, and they named her Canela, the Spanish word for cinnamon. It fits her apparent heritage and theirs. Besides, it turns out she's a little spicy.

"Canela is a rambunctious little puppy who has completely changed the energy in our house," her person says. "When we come in, she runs circles around us and then the coffee table, and back for a spin around us. I think she feels like she scored when she found us. And

we feel the same."

Canela hasn't been to the beach yet, but she loves to run loose in the couple's jungle of a backyard, darting among plants, pausing to yank a loose rope that swings the hammock, and then scuttling after a squirrel that isn't much smaller than she.

"I take Canela into the forest every day," her person says. "Everything is fascinating, and her attention constantly flips from this stick to that one, to a pine cone to a rock, to the deer she spooked."

Canela is a joyful little sprite – a bit of a Peter Pan – who is enjoying her babyhood with possibly no plans to grow up.

"We still have to keep things off the floor," her person says. "My wife left her flamenco shoes under the coffee table, and surely Canela thought, 'Oh, this is my



moment' and grabbed a shoe. It was game on. I finally got the shoe, but she looked at me as if to say, 'You won this round, but I know where there's another.'"

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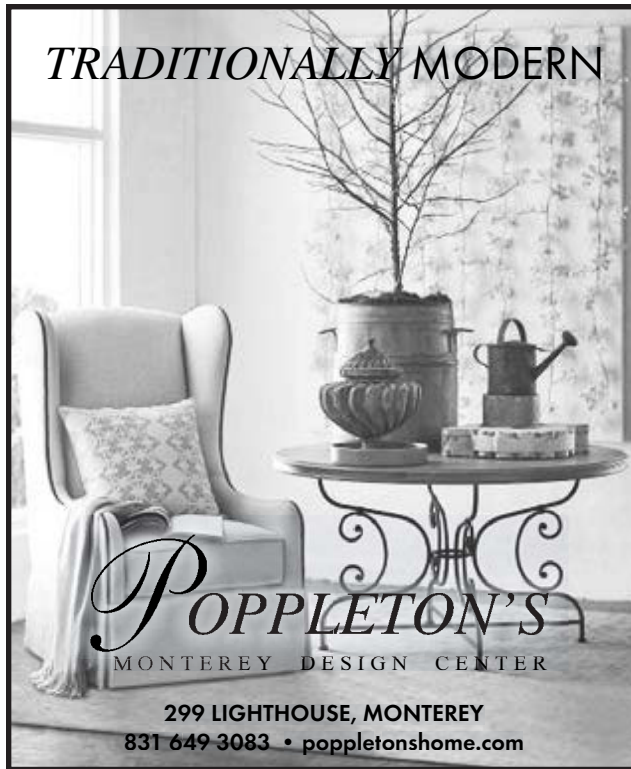
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Appellate court judges affirm conviction of Olinger murderer

By KELLY NIX

APPELLATE COURT justices last week upheld the first-degree murder conviction of Jacobo Ruelas for the slaying of 17-year-old Kris Olinger, who was stabbed 29 times in Pacific Grove in 1997.

On Oct. 21, three justices with the Sixth District Court of Appeal released a 35-page opinion, upholding Ruelas' conviction for the murder. Ruelas, 36, and his brother, Angel Ruelas, were charged in 2006 with murder, carjacking and kidnapping. Angel Ruelas pleaded guilty in April 2013 and was later sentenced to life in prison without parole.

While a jury convicted Jacobo Ruelas in October 2013 of the charges against him, he appealed the decision, contending he didn't get a fair trial. But in a 35-page opinion,

appellate court justices were adamant that Ruelas did receive a fair trial.

Ruelas "has failed to show any error that infringed his due process rights," according to the ruling. "Moreover, defendant was entitled to a fair trial but not a perfect one. Defendant's trial was fair, and his claim of cumulative error fails."

Olinger, a Monterey High School senior, had been taking photographs of the Point Pinos Lighthouse for a school assignment when the Ruelas brothers stabbed him and threw him over a bluff. Despite his severe injuries, Olinger was able to climb back up to the turnout where he was assaulted, but died there.

The case was cold until 2005, when investigators got a hit through the state

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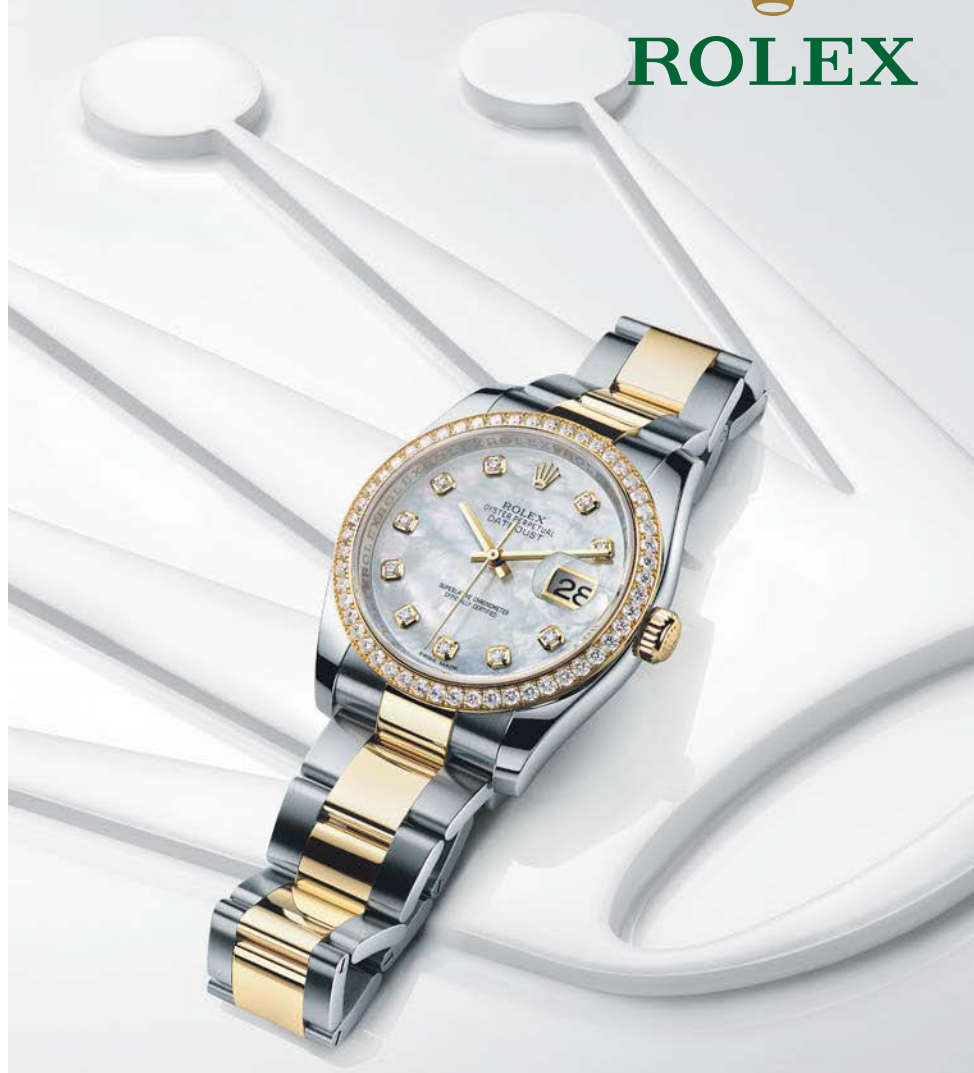


Kris Olinger, whose murderer, Jacobo Ruelas, failed to convince an appellate court he was wrongly convicted.

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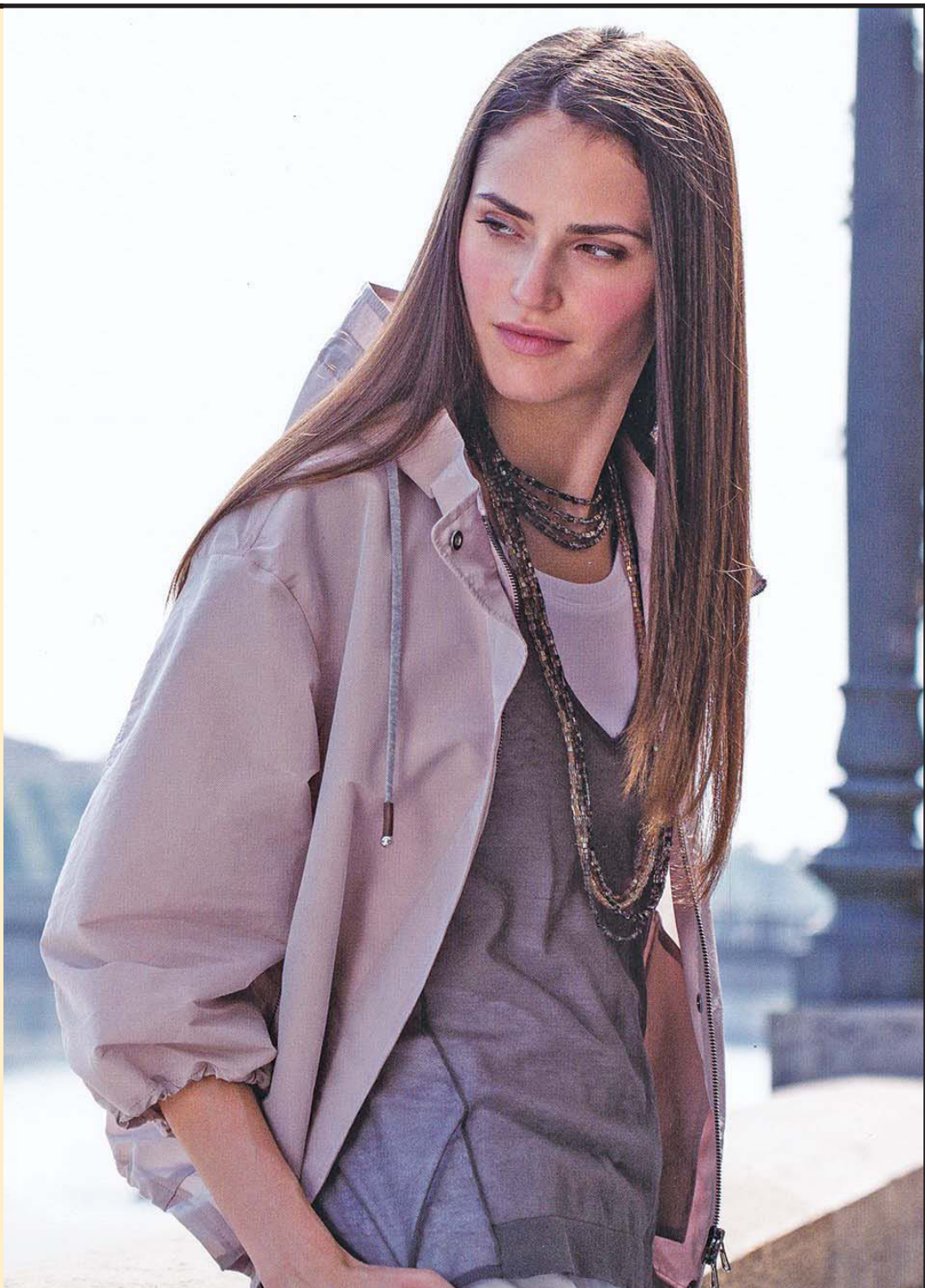
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Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

Cops solve dispute over tennis rules

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, OCTOBER 12

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Animal control officer responded to a dog that had jumped out of a traveling truck on Highway 1 at Rio Road. Citizen found the dog near the Carmel Mission and trapped it near the school play yard. The owner of the dog was found searching on foot for the dog in the area. Code enforcement officer assisted with transporting the dog owner to the location of the dog. The dog was secured on

a leash by the owner, and animal control officer transported both to a veterinarian. The dog was given medical care, and both owner and dog were transported home. It was determined that the dog was in the cab of the truck when it jumped out of the open window.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female reported her sister and her 10-month-old nephew were missing. Resident reported she was last seen in the City of Monterey and was possibly in the Carmel area.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found dog on Lorca Lane turned over to police for safekeeping. Responsible for dog contacted and will pick up from the police station.

Pacific Grove: Deer on Ocean View Boulevard killed by mountain lion.



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Pacific Grove: An unknown person defrauded a resident out of \$1,250 for a deposit by utilizing a Craigslist advertisement claiming to rent a vacation home.

Pacific Grove: A 27-year-old female got into a verbal confrontation with her mother and cousin at a Ninth Street residence. During the disturbance, the female threatened to get a gun and shoot or stab them. The female then stated she would then burn the house down and kill herself. The mother fears for her and her nephew's safety.

Pacific Grove: Right-side window smash to a vehicle parked on Sunset Drive. Purse taken. Card used in Seaside.

Pacific Grove: Window-smash burglary on Ocean View Boulevard. Briefcase, computer and ring stolen.

Pacific Grove: Person reported a female selling puppies in the park on Forest Avenue. Person reported that the dogs were sick and shaking. Subject was contacted and stated she thought the puppies belong to a friend of hers and she brought them to the park to get some air. She denied trying to sell them. The subject said the puppies threw up because they got car-sick. The puppies appeared to be in good health and were released to the subject.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Investigated a battery at a hotel at Monte Verde and Sixth between two employees. A 52-year-old male was arrested, booked and later released on citation.

Pacific Grove: Officers responded to a reported theft of alcohol from a store on Forest Avenue. A large group of teenagers were roaming the aisles and distracted workers so others could steal alcohol. It is unknown how many bottles were taken, and the teenagers left prior to being confronted. Report on file.

Big Sur: Citizen was contacted on Highway

1 and placed on 72-hour mental health evaluation and transported to CHOMP.

Pebble Beach: Person reported leaving a 4-karat diamond engagement ring on a towel within the locker room. Upon return, the ring was missing.

Carmel Valley: Theft of a truck tailgate reported on Center Street. Vehicle was parked on the street near a shopping center and apartment complex. No known suspect.

Pebble Beach: Pebble Beach Security turned in a stun gun found on 17 Mile Drive.

Pebble Beach: Subject on Crest Road turned over an antique firearm for destruction.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14

Carmel Valley: An 85-year-old male on Hacienda Place attempted suicide and was transported to CHOMP via ambulance for a 72-hour detention and evaluation.

Carmel area: Theft of money reported via a Craigslist scam involving a fake apartment rental. Victim on Meadows Road duped out of approximately \$1,088 via Moneygram to an unknown perpetrator, despite checking the Monterey apartment first, which was vacant. Case continues.

Pebble Beach: Unknown person(s) broke a window at a home on Sunridge Road.

Pacific Grove: PGPD officers responded to call of a woman screaming on Ripple Street and found a pack of four coyotes had killed a deer. The deer was in the grass at the intersection of Del Monte and Quarterdeck. The coyotes were still in the area but left after several minutes. The deer was dead.

Pacific Grove: Several people reported items being thrown from a vehicle on Ocean

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IRENE ROSE THELEN

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Long time Carmel resident Irene R. Thelen left this earth for her eternal adventure on October 20, 2015 after a long and successful life. She was a dedicated Catholic and a parishioner at the Carmel Mission since 1958 after she and her late husband, Emil P. Thelen, M.D., moved to Pebble Beach with their three children from the East Coast after Dr. Thelen left the U.S. Navy for private practice following a neurosurgical conference on the West Coast. Both Irene, an Iowa farm girl, and Emil, a Nebraska farm boy, recognized that wintertime on the Monterey peninsula was only slightly more temperate than the Midwest.



Irene met the love of her life, Emil, in Chicago when Irene was attending nursing school and he was in medical school. They married shortly thereafter and Emil died unexpectedly in 1963, leaving Irene to raise her three boys as a single parent. By all accounts, she did a fine job.

Irene had a full life. She was a flight attendant for United Airlines when flight attendants, for a brief period of time in the U.S., were required to be registered nurses as well. Following Emil's death, Irene took a refresher course, obtained her California nursing license and returned to nursing for many years.

Irene was born in Spring Grove, Minnesota, in 1917 and was pre-deceased by her parents, John and Katherine Schulte, as well as her four siblings, Sister Mary Eileen, Bonnie Fritz, Florence Crawford and Ray Schulte. Irene is survived by her three sons and their spouses, E. Michael Thelen, M.D. and Charlene (Granite Bay), Dennis R. and Terry Thelen (Bakersfield) and Greg T. and Shelly Thelen (Carmel Valley), as well as by numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Irene loved living in Carmel and in her later years, especially loved the tranquility of her garden and trying to find that one of a kind bargain at a garage or estate sale. She was an avid bridge enthusiast and enjoyed playing with her many bridge partners beginning with the Junipero Serra Mother's Club and continuing on for many years thereafter. Mom's intentions were always good and she lived a virtuous and honest life. A devout Catholic, she is now reunited with all of her beloved family in heaven.

The family especially thanks the wonderful caregivers at The Cottages of Carmel, where Irene lived the last two and a half years of her life. Memorial contributions may be made to the Carmel Mission in Irene's name, if so desired. A visitation and rosary service will take place at the Mission Mortuary, 450 Camino El Estero, Monterey, CA on October 28, 2015 from 5-6 pm with rosary at 6:00 p.m. and funeral mass will be held at the Carmel Mission Basilica, 3080 Rio Road, Carmel, CA on October 29, 2015 at 10:00 a.m., followed by a brief graveside service. To offer online condolences visit – www.missionmortuary.com

P.G. council revisits TOT after aquarium threatens to sue over admissions tax

By KELLY NIX

TO THE dismay of the city's innkeepers, the Pacific Grove City Council last week decided to again pursue raising the inn tax as a means of generating more cash for the financially struggling city.

In June, five of seven council members decided that increasing the transient occupancy tax in P.G. should not be among the city's options to increase city revenue, and that imposing an "admissions tax" was the best idea. But in a turnaround at the Oct. 21 council meeting, council members voted 6-1 to hire a consultant to determine, in part, residents' opinions of raising the city's TOT.

"The chamber and innkeepers were under the impression that TOT was off the table," chamber president Moe Ammar told The Pine Cone Monday. "But apparently it's not. The hoteliers already pay 20 percent of the city's budget (about \$800,000)."

Ammar said that innkeepers plan to protest the idea of raising the 10 percent transient occupancy tax — which is paid for by visitors — like some of them did in June.

"They really believe that if they communicate their position to the council, the city will respect their concerns and not increase TOT," he said.

Concerned about a lawsuit

The council's decision came on the heels of a letter the city received from attorneys representing the Monterey Bay Aquarium, which "threatened litigation" against Pacific Grove if it pursued an admissions tax, which has also been dubbed an "aquarium tax."

Most of the revenue from such a tax would come from aquarium visitors. But the tax would also affect some church functions and high school sporting events.

Councilman Dan Miller, who has made no secret of his desire to tax the nonprofit aquarium, voted against hiring the

consultant at last week's meeting.

"We visit the aquarium tax [idea] and we keep saying 'Yes'" to taxing the aquarium, he said. Then "we get threatened by the aquarium and everybody turns tails and runs."

Waging a legal battle with the aquarium — which made nearly \$19 million in revenue after expenses in 2013, according to tax forms — would be a costly proposition for Pacific Grove.

Councilwoman Casey Lucius noted that the council had "generally decided" months ago that the city should pursue an admissions tax to help solve its financial woes.

"So I guess I'm wondering what kind of information would be revealed in a poll that would make us change our mind about [an admissions tax] and start the process over with some other option," said Lucius, who later voted to hire the consultant.

The consultant will cost P.G. taxpayers more than \$70,000.

Though the city refused to provide The Pine Cone with a copy of the aquarium letter, aquarium public affairs director Barbara Meister said the document was not intended to threaten Pacific Grove with a lawsuit as city attorney David Laredo said last week.

"The intent of the letter was to lay out the legal understanding [that an admissions tax imposed on a nonprofit is unlawful], and to suggest to the city council it would be a waste of time and money for them to pursue" a tax, Meister said.

Ammar contends that raising the TOT in Pacific Grove could compel visitors to stay in Carmel and Monterey where the tax is 10 percent.

While individuals and families don't often book hotels based on TOT amounts, conventions and other large groups visiting the Peninsula do, he said.

"Group businesses always ask 'what is the tax?'" Ammar said. "The BBC spent \$250,000 in Pacific Grove at the Asilomar Conference Grounds and overflow hotels in the city."

Ammar fears that the consultant will conclude — like three previous consultants have determined — that raising the city's TOT, not imposing an admissions tax, is the best option.

"Your action last night will cause a distraction from our No. 1 goal of economic development" in the city, Ammar wrote in a 450-word letter to council members the day after last week's council meeting.

CHS hosts college night Nov. 3

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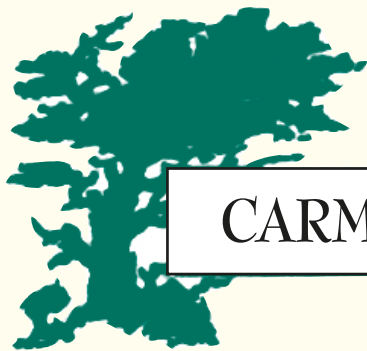
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Experts in Monterey to help save the bat

By CHRIS COUNTS

FIVE HUNDRED biologists from as far away as Europe will converge on Monterey this week to discuss the future of one of nature's most misunderstood creatures, the bat.

The Monterey Plaza Hotel will be the site of a four-day conference on bats that runs from Oct. 28 to Halloween, the day of the year most associated with the fear-inducing flying mammals. In fact, it's National Bat Week.

Vilified in literature and on the silver screen as emissaries of evil, bats are viewed very differently by those who know them best, said one of the conference's attendees.

"They are terribly important to our ecology and our economy," said Rob Mies, the co-founder and executive director of the nonprofit Organization for Bat Research. "Each bat eats more than 2,000 insects a night. It's estimated they save the agricultural industry over a billion dollars a year in the cost of pesticides just by eating the corn ear worm. Also, they pollinate hundreds of species of plants, including bananas and avocados — and they're the only thing that pollinates agave."

Unfortunately, all is not well in the world of bats. While humans have never been particularly kind to them, their greatest threat at the moment is a nasty European fungal disease called White-nose Syndrome which is decimating their numbers. The disease makes it difficult for them to hibernate, which is an essential part of their life cycle.

"It started in upstate New York about 10 years ago and has spread to 27 states," Mies told The Pine Cone. "It kills about a million bats a year. It's been seen as far west as Minnesota and Oklahoma. We're lucky it hasn't reached California yet."

A big part of next week's conference involves sharing new research about the fungus — and trying to figure out how to stop it.

"We've made a lot of progress on developing a treatment," explained Mies, who has been featured as a guest on The Today Show, The Tonight Show, Late Night with Conan O'Brien and other television programs. "This winter we plan to do some tests in the field."

Besides trying to eradicate the bat fungus, biologists are encouraging the public to build bat houses — and we're talking lots of them. In fact, an effort is underway to construct 5,000 bat houses in a single day — on Halloween, of course. If you'd like to participate, you can visit the Organization for Bat Conservation's website and download free plans and designs.

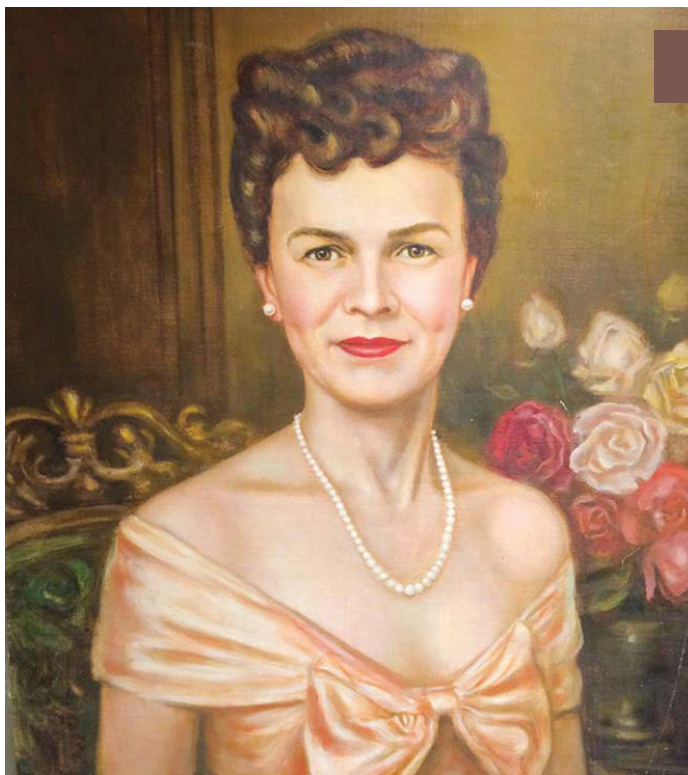
To increase public awareness of the issues facing bats — and cultivate some measure of sympathy for their plight — Mies and his colleagues are trying to dispel some of the myths associated with them.

"They don't drink people's blood," he insisted. "They don't get caught in people's hair. And very few of them ever test positive for rabies."

Also, they're not as blind as you think. "Small bats have decent sight and large bats have great sight," he explained.

Mies urged the public to take some time and learn more about these fascinating creatures.

"Bats are critically important to humans," he added. "People should know that a large group of bat biologists are trying to save them." www.batconservation.org



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THIS SPINY but cute pufferfish was one of two that washed ashore south of Marina, and biologists are trying to determine if they're a species that usually swim in waters south of the border. Save Our Shores program director Rachel Kippen was scouting potential locations on Monterey Bay beaches for student field trips last weekend when she came across a pair of dead pufferfish that had washed ashore "about four miles south of Marina State Beach." The consensus is that the fish are "porcupinefish," which would make the find "significantly unusual," Save Our Shores spokesman Ryan Kallabis told The Pine Cone.



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PATROLS

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call — even for a crime in progress or other emergency.

“Six to eight months is a fairly loose estimate,” Bernal said Tuesday about the time to restore service. “It could be much sooner, but hopefully no more than eight months.”

Bernal said the sheriff’s office has “limited night patrols” there, and in South Monterey County.

The “bottom line is that resources are available to all areas of the county 24/7,” he said. However, “response times could be affected due to prioritization of calls.”

Bernal said his decision to move deputies from patrol to the jail was based on the “numbers [of deputies] we had to send back to the jail,” and not on Peninsula crime statistics.

Therefore, Bernal said, “it made sense” to

not staff the Coastal Station in Monterey and the South County Station in King City in the early morning hours.

The sheriff’s office now bases its night patrol operations at the Central Station in Salinas, where Bernal said deputies would remain “until we build our staffing back up.” That means that if a crime occurs in Pebble Beach or Carmel Valley during overnight hours, the responding officer will have to come from Salinas.

On the weekends, Bernal said deputies are paid overtime to cover the 2 a.m. to 7 a.m. timeframe in Peninsula areas, “if needed.”

Potter involved

Fifth District county Supervisor Dave Potter said he’s met with Bernal about the patrol issue and has urged him to resolve it as quickly as possible.

“We were direct with him, and we said this ‘isn’t good for my constituency,’” Potter told The Pine Cone. “And he was very committed and said he would [restore service] back” to

previous levels.

While Bernal said he hasn’t had any complaints about the change in service, Potter’s office has received several calls, including one from a woman who was “alarmed about the lack of response” from deputies after she called about a possible prowler, he said.

Potter said he was glad Bernal opted to keep a deputy in Big Sur.

In an Oct. 15 email message, Carmel city administrator Doug Schmitz told Bernal that the lack of patrol means the sheriff’s office is requesting more help from the Carmel Police Department, which only has two officers patrolling during each shift. Schmitz, who wasn’t informed about the sheriff’s office

change before it was made, told Bernal not to expect CPD to make up for the deputy shortage.

County supervisor candidate Mary Adams told The Pine Cone that there “should be some way to better foster communication between” cities and law enforcement agencies so they are on the same page regarding any procedural changes, such as patrol cutbacks.

In an email response to Schmitz, Bernal was critical of the city administrator for letting the public know that the sheriff’s office was “deploying reduced resources,” which he said would “spread rumor-based half-truths,” and cause “trepidation for many people.”

MEHDIPOUR

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poned until Nov. 17.

“We will take a few weeks time to see if there is a middle ground” between what the county wants and Mehdipour’s own plan to seal the house, Potter said. “Quite frankly, I would like to see a mothballing plan, along with a restoration plan to put the house back together.”

A group of preservationists are also calling for Mehdipour to renovate the house. She wants to replace the structure with an 11,933-square-foot house designed by architect Ricardo Legoretta, who died in 2011.

Potter said he and Mehdipour discussed other issues related to the house, which was

designed by noteworthy mid-20th-century architect Richard Neutra.

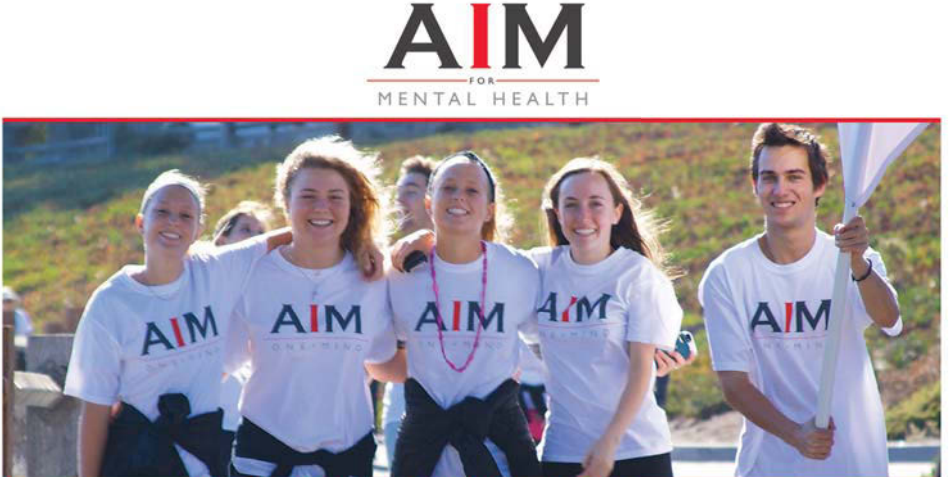
“She kept emphasizing that the building is a pile of debris,” Potter said. “I told her that there is nothing that can’t be rebuilt.”

They also discussed vandalism at the house that occurred early this year. Potter has said the damage was done intentionally.

“I told her I had never seen vandalism like this,” Potter said.

Kadivar told The Pine Cone that the plan is not only expensive but is infeasible.

“We’re basically preserving a pile of rubble,” he said. “A great example is the request to repair the failed deck, which the county itself later admitted was actually not feasible. Another example of the absurdity of the previous mothball plan was the request to paint the plywood to protect the plywood!”



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Body found at Garland park, death ruled suicide

THREE DAYS after a hiker found a body at Garland Ranch Regional Park in Carmel Valley, the Monterey Sheriff's Office confirmed it was a woman who killed herself. Her name has not been released.

Sean Nolan told The Pine Cone he was hiking near Sniveley's Ridge Oct. 26 when he saw the woman's body in a wooden area not far from the trail.

"I took 20 or 30 steps in the woods," Nolan told The Pine Cone. "I saw what I thought was blue bag. I decided to get a closer look, and I saw it was a windbreaker."

Later the same afternoon, Nolan returned to the site with two rangers so they could confirm the discovery and retrieve the body.

The site of a fire lookout tower that is no longer in operation, Sniveley's Ridge looms high above the park and is a popular destination for hikers.

Walk at Lovers Point for mental health research

THE SECOND AIM for Awareness Walk & Rally — an event that raises money and awareness for mental health research — will be held Sunday, Nov. 15 at Lovers Point in Pacific Grove.

The event will commence with registration at 8 a.m. and beverages from Carmel Valley Coffee Roasting Company. At the end of the 2-mile walk, walkers will be presented with information regarding regional mental health services.

Walk registration includes a t-shirt for participants, light breakfast, speakers, entertainment and a variety of kids' interactive games.

The registration donation is \$10 for youth 18 and under and \$25 for those 19 and over. All proceeds will be designated to find better treatments and cures for kids' brain/mental health disorders. To register and for more information, go to AIMforMentalHealth.org.

Macabre painter serves as muse for art show

JUST IN time for Halloween, Carmel Visual Arts unveils a photography exhibit inspired by the works of 15th century painter Hieronymus Bosch, whose macabre and nightmarish creations complement the spookiest day of the year.

Photographers from as far away as Austria are participating in the show, which will be juried by Ted Orland and Carol Henry. Bosch is most famous for painter the disturbing but fascinating triptych, "The Garden of Earthly Delights." The painting includes God, Adam, Eve, strange and exotic beasts, giant fruit and a mysterious Mona Lisa-like figure.

Attendees are encouraged to wear costumes. The gallery, which hosts a reception Saturday from 6 to 9 p.m., is located above the Carmel Valley Coffee Roasting Company in The Barnyard shopping center. The display continues through Nov. 30. To RSVP, call (831) 620-2955 or visit www.carmelvisualarts.com.

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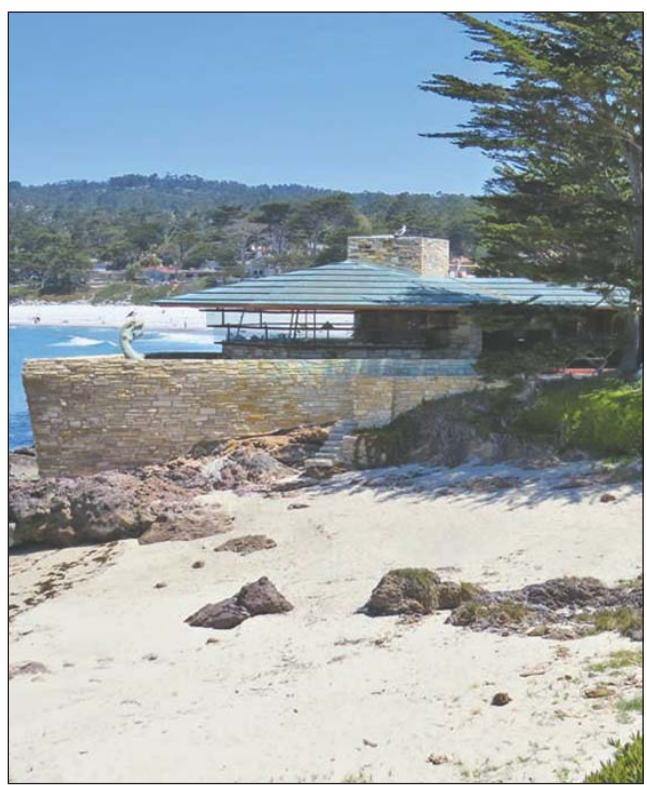
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The event is presented by Truth, Wisdom and the American Way. "We're a non-partisan think tank," said a member of the group, Ivan Kramer.

Fluent in six languages, Bale is considered an expert on jihadist movements, terrorism and unconventional warfare.

"He's personally interviewed terrorists," Kramer said. "He's an amazing one-of-a-kind guy."

Kramer said the threat of terrorism is simply too great to ignore.

"They want us dead," he added. "We believe every civilized person should know what [Kramer] knows. We need to inform ourselves who our enemies are and where they are coming from."

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The 6 p.m. talk is \$18 and includes dinner. For reservations, call (831) 626-4197. The restaurant is located in the Bay Park Hotel at 1425 Munras Avenue.

RUELAS

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Department of Justice's automated palm print system that prints recovered from Olinger's vehicle matched Jacobo and Angel Ruelas.

Assistant District Attorney Jeannine Pacioni called the justices' ruling "thorough and decisive," and told The Pine Cone that she's glad the case has been resolved.

"I feel that this community has gone through so much over the last 18 years since Kris was murdered that this is kind of a deep breath and release for it to finally be put to rest," Pacioni said.

Olinger's mother and father died long before the cases were adjudicated. But Pacioni said his brother, Travis Phillips, is very satisfied with the ruling.

"He was relieved," Pacioni said. "There is always some degree of uncertainty when someone appeals; there are so many things that can go wrong. But he was very relieved and thankful that the court affirmed the conviction."

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Who: Arts & Design Center Carmel Valley
Where: Hosted at Mundaka
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New Masters Gallery staff, artists and friends held a ribbon cutting at their new location. Shown are: (L-R) Heather Howe, Lisa Rodriguez, Michael Hill, Nancy Broderick, Bill Hill, Alison Rooker, Merry Kohn, Kevin Courter, Thalia Stratton, and Janet Sprenger. *Banner courtesy of Bob the Printer. Photo by DMT Imaging.*

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By ELAINE HESSER

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They hosted a public meeting this week for the planning commission and interested residents to offer ideas for the center's future — and the community responded with the creativity and out-of-the-box thinking one would expect from Carmel.

David O'Brien, director of strategic planning for Anderson Brule, opened the Oct. 27 meeting by describing the process that had occurred so far, including interviews with individual city council members, business people and Sunset Center's neighbors, all with the goal of finding out what their visions for the center were.

Kate Bang, chair of the center's board of directors, discussed several key goals, the most ambitious of which was to become "the" performing arts center between Los Angeles and San Francisco.

O'Brien directed everyone's attention to the large poster boards placed around the lobby, each illustrating a different location or concept about which they were seeking input. They included: land use in the north and south parking lots, the site's appearance, the center's overall vision and mission, and what facilitators called the center's "connectivity" to the rest of the community — how people find and gain access to it.

And although it sounds like a bureaucratic nightmare, the next part was actually fun. All of the 40 or so community and planning commission members in attendance were invited to visit each station and brainstorm

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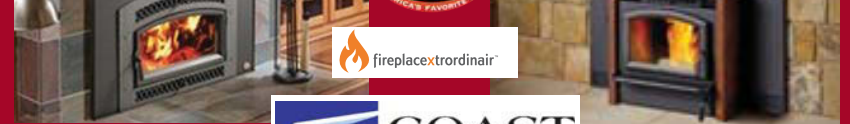
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Yvonne Stevenson Brown

September 22, 1926 - October 2, 2015



Yvonne Stevenson Brown passed away peacefully in Carmel, CA on Friday, October 2, 2015. She was born September 22, 1926 in Oakland, daughter of Hugo and Edith Stevenson. In 1947 she married Edward T. Brown. They began raising their family while living in Walnut Creek, later moving to Lake Tahoe and eventually to Pebble Beach in 1964, where Ed became a member of the faculty at Robert Louis Stevenson School. Shortly thereafter, Yvonne began her career in the travel industry, which not only allowed her to travel the world over, but also led to some of her longest and dearest friendships. One facet of her job that she truly enjoyed during this period was organizing educational and recreational trips abroad for the students at RLS.

Later Yvonne spent a few years at Barbary Coast Travel in San Francisco, living and working in the Bay Area. This was an important time as it was an opportunity for quality time spent with her aging father Hugo. In 1985 she moved to her home on Yankee Point where she lived for the rest of her life. The home was a refuge not just for her, but for friends and family alike. Hearing the restless sea, chatting with neighbors on walks, enjoying the lovely sunsets and having a cozy fire on the foggy nights made the highlands wonderful choice for this chapter of her life.

My mother's persona had great balance, her positive approach to life's challenges, proud Swedish heritage, unwavering faith in God, love of animals, and giving nature are just a handful of the attributes that inspired many of those who knew her.

Yvonne was preceded in death by her eldest son, Thomas John Brown of Spreckles, CA in 2011.

She is survived by her daughter, Elizabeth Housel of Carmel Highlands, son Stevenson Brown of Willits, CA; granddaughter Amanda Housel of Carmel Highlands; daughter-in-law Kathryn Yant of Spreckles, CA; and sister, Jeanne (Richard) Northon and their family in Joseph and Pendleton, Oregon.

Generous of heart, constant of faith.

Absent from the body, present with the Lord.

Blessed are they that mourn for they shall be comforted. Matthew 5:4

Jean Margaret Nieto

May 14, 1924 – October 12, 2015

It is with sad hearts that we must inform you of the passing of Jean Margaret Nieto. Jean, also known as Ma, Granny E, Gran, Jeanie and even Mum to some, was 91 years old.

Born and raised in Liverpool England, Jean immigrated to the United States in her mid thirties and has called the Carmel area home ever since. For the last 40 years she spent in the home that she loved by Quail lodge.



Approaching everything with a positive attitude, Jean was always the life of the party and absolutely loved spending time with her family. And, we would be remiss if we didn't mention that she also loved chocolate, Newcastle Ale and brandy with soda water.

Jean was very proud of her 31 years volunteering for the S.P.C.A. Benefit shop, which she did through her 90th year. Many people would come to the shop on a Monday just to receive one of her beautiful smiles.

Jean was an incredible flirt and would do so at every opportunity. There was not one person that could resist her charm!

Jean was greeted in to heaven by a grand group of angels that will help her watch over those she left on earth. Daughters Ruth Willis Calabrese (Michael), Sally Willis Snyder (Joe) both of Carmel Valley. Her treasured grandchildren: Jessica Jones Wood (Tim), Breezie Snyder (Jeremiah) and Austin Snyder also all from Carmel Valley. Her sisters: June Davies from Liverpool England and Anne Fuhrman from Palm Desert and her sister in law Jean Alexander from Scotland. She also leaves behind several nieces and nephews from the U.K.

The family would like to thank VNA Hospice, her loving neighbors and her co-volunteers at the benefit shop. A huge thank you goes out to Ralph Thompson who came to the rescue all those years ago and remained as a friend ever since.

Jean did not wish a service but if would like to honor her memory, you may donate an item to the S.P.C.A. Benefit shop, or make a donation to Hospice. Or, simply raise your glass and make a cheer with someone that makes you happy.

Your spark, your stubbornness and your zest for life will live on in all of us.

We Love you.... See you on the 13th green.

AS WE MOVE FROM DROUGHT TO DELUGE, WILL YOUR LANDSCAPING SURVIVE?

By ELAINE HESSER

LET'S SAY you're a homeowner who's done everything you can to make your landscaping drought-friendly, like Dona Disario at Third and Dolores. She replaced old irrigation equipment and put in native and drought-tolerant plants. She used her design background to create a peaceful garden that blends in with its forest surroundings. Ceanothus and bougainvillea dot the landscape with color.

And amazingly, although Disario hasn't used her irrigation system in more than a year, her landscaping still looks great. That's a testament to her research, hard work and care in maintaining it. And of course, she's not alone. Many locals have worked hard to create yards that sip water instead of guzzle it.

Now, however, it's been so long since the last heavy rain that some people wonder what will happen to their xeriscaping when it gets soaked in an El Nino, like the one forecast for this winter.

According to Rick Richardson at Valley Hills Nursery and Ken Griggs at Griggs Nursery, Disario and those like her have almost nothing to worry about, if they follow

a few simple tips, like Richardson's self-evident, "Once the rain starts, turn off the irrigation."

No matter how blindingly obvious that seems, everyone's seen sprinklers running during or just after a rainstorm at one time or another. They're on a timer that someone set and forgot about. Maybe tying a reminder note to the inside of an umbrella or pinning it to a raincoat would help.

According to both Richardson and Griggs, heavy rains won't hurt drought-tolerant plants, or even succulents, as long as they have good drainage.

Along those lines, Griggs said, "If you built basins around your plants, knock them down so that the plants are not sitting in water."

Griggs also suggested that homeowners who know there are spots on their property where water pools should have drains installed. And being a good neighbor means you don't let your property drain onto someone else's.

Richardson did mention that some plants can be "beaten up a little" by heavy rain or hail. And, he said, El Ninos do have a bright side: at least no one will have to worry about a freeze.

That means it's very likely Disario's bougainvillea will live to see another year, and her irrigation system will get more time off.



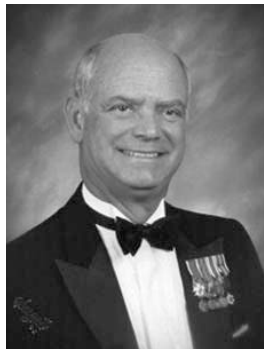
This colorful landscape at Third and Dolores hasn't been irrigated in over a year, yet it continues to thrive thanks to the drought-tolerant plants. However, with the prospect of an El Nino looming, some are asking whether their super-dry gardens will survive heavy rains.

Colonel Philip J. Galanti, Jr.

October 12, 1940 – October 15, 2015

It is with deep sadness that we bid a final farewell and Well Done to Phil Galanti, loving husband of Carrol.

Phil was born the second of three sons to COL Philip J. and Mrs. Ruth E. Galanti, in Glen Gardner, New Jersey. He attended ten different schools the first ten years of his schooling, and lived in many exotic places, which created and nurtured his later "wanderlust".



On graduation from West Point in 1962, he joined the US Army Corps of Engineers and spent the next 13 years on Active Duty in many corners of the world. He was selected as an Olmsted Scholar, for two years of study at the University of Madrid in Spain. After earning his masters from American University, he was assigned to the 18th Engineer Brigade in Vietnam. Vietnam was a defining experience for Phil. It affected the rest of his life.

In 1975, he resigned his Regular Army Commission and accepted a Reserve Commission. He joined the engineering-construction firm of Bechtel in San Francisco, and spent 23 years with them before retiring in 1998. While working at the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant in San Luis Obispo, California, he met Carrol Rothe Moorner, and chased her until she caught him. She owned the home in Pacific Grove to which they ultimately retired. They were married in August of 1984.

Phil joined the local Army Reserve community as a member of the 353rd Psychological Operations Battalion, which he later commanded. After promotion to COL, he served as G-3 and Chief of Staff of the 351st Civil Affairs Command. He served his last two years as Chief of Psychological Operations in DCSOPS at HQ, DA.

In retirement, Phil never stopped. He and Carrol continued their travels, becoming known as the Galavanti Galantis with major trips abroad each year. He served as a docent at the Monterey Bay Aquarium and the Monterey Museum of Art, and was always available for church activities.



His wife, Carrol, and her three children: Catherine L. Hudson, Stephen A. Moorner, and Jaqui Hope, and five grandchildren: Kayla L. Bland, David G. Hudson, Chris J. Hudson, Kodiak A. Sauer and Claire L. Moorner, survive Phil. His older brother, Paul Edward Galanti, a 1962 graduate of the Naval Academy, survives him also. Paul is a Naval Aviator who spent almost seven years as a POW in Hanoi, including the years when both Phil and his younger brother served in Vietnam. Dave preceded Phil in death in 1991, at the age of 49.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a gift in Phil's name to St. Mary's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church, 146 – 12th St., Pacific Grove, CA, 93950 or to Pacific Repertory Theatre, PO Box 222035, Carmel, CA, 93922. A celebration of Phil's life will be held at St. Mary's on November 7 at noon. Please visit www.thepaulmortality.com to sign Phil's guest book and leave messages for his family.

IRENE ROSE THELEN

1917 - 2015

Long time Carmel resident Irene R. Thelen left this earth for her eternal adventure on October 20, 2015 after a long and successful life. She was a dedicated Catholic and a parishioner at the Carmel Mission since 1958 after she and her late husband, Emil P. Thelen, M.D., moved to Pebble Beach with their three children from the East Coast after Dr. Thelen left the U.S. Navy for private practice following a neurosurgical conference on the West Coast. Both Irene, an Iowa farm girl, and Emil, a Nebraska farm boy, recognized that wintertime on the Monterey peninsula was only slightly more temperate than the Midwest.



Irene met the love of her life, Emil, in Chicago when Irene was attending nursing school and he was in medical school. They married shortly thereafter and Emil died unexpectedly in 1963, leaving Irene to raise her three boys as a single parent. By all accounts, she did a fine job.

Irene had a full life. She was a flight attendant for United Airlines when flight attendants, for a brief period of time in the U.S., were required to be registered nurses as well. Following Emil's death, Irene took a refresher course, obtained her California nursing license and returned to nursing for many years.

Irene was born in Spring Grove, Minnesota, in 1917 and was pre-deceased by her parents, John and Katherine Schulte, as well as her four siblings, Sister Mary Eileen, Bonnie Fritz, Florence Crawford and Ray Schulte. Irene is survived by her three sons and their spouses, E. Michael Thelen, M.D. and Charlene (Granite Bay), Dennis R. and Terry Thelen (Bakersfield) and Greg T. and Shelly Thelen (Carmel Valley), as well as by numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Irene loved living in Carmel and in her later years, especially loved the tranquility of her garden and trying to find that one of a kind bargain at a garage or estate sale. She was an avid bridge enthusiast and enjoyed playing with her many bridge partners beginning with the Junipero Serra Mother's Club and continuing on for many years thereafter. Mom's intentions were always good and she lived a virtuous and honest life. A devout Catholic, she is now reunited with all of her beloved family in heaven.

The family especially thanks the wonderful caregivers at The Cottages of Carmel, where Irene lived the last two and a half years of her life. Memorial contributions may be made to the Carmel Mission in Irene's name, if so desired. A visitation and rosary service will take place at the Mission Mortuary, 450 Camino El Estero, Monterey, CA on October 28, 2015 from 5-6 pm with rosary at 6:00 p.m. and funeral mass will be held at the Carmel Mission Basilica, 3080 Rio Road, Carmel, CA on October 29, 2015 at 10:00 a.m., followed by a brief graveside service. To offer online condolences visit – www.missionmortuary.com

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DESAL

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For the first few hours, crews pumped seawater through the test well at a lower velocity than usual.

"We gradually increase the flow to 2,000 gallons per minute," Crooks said. "We started at 500 gallons per minute and increased" it until they got to 2,000 gallons at about 6:30 p.m.

The well has been operating smoothly with no issues since then, he said.

Before it was shut off in June, the test well was drawing seawater with about 85 percent salinity. Cal Am expects the salinity level to continue to rise until it gets to at least 95 percent.

"The water quality is great," Crooks said of the test well's performance this week.

Marina Coast Water District unsuccessfully filed suit to stop the well, alleging the operation could, among other things, harm

its dune habitat. The Ag Land Trust filed a similar suit saying the test well tramples on its water rights and could contaminate agricultural wells with salt water. That group was also unsuccessful.

Carmel Mayor Jason Burnett told The Pine Cone that he's glad the well operation is back on track.

"The test well from day one has exceeded expectations," Burnett said. "And the only reason it was taken offline was a drafting problem in the permit. So I'm very appreciative of the coastal commission correcting the permit."

Hydrogeologists who studied the drop in groundwater levels near the test well concluded the phenomenon wasn't due to the test operation, but to pumping of fresh water from the aquifer for agricultural and human uses. The coastal commission's amended permit allows pumping to resume with conditions that take into consideration other regional groundwater trends such as agricultural pumping.

BASES

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City Council took a solid step in July when it approved spending about \$80,000 on a consultant to come up with a plan to keep DLI and NPS local. The Pentagon has requested that the next Base Realignment and Closure process happen as soon as 2017. The last attempt was in 2005, but DLI and NPS were spared.

"When you look at the vulnerabilities they might exploit," Burnett said. "It doesn't take a rocket scientist to determine they will zero in on water."

He reiterated the importance of staying focused on developing water projects for the Peninsula. The proposals include a desalina-

tion plant proposed by California American Water and a smaller project that involves recycled wastewater proposed by the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency.

Closing DLI and/or NPS would be devastating to the Peninsula's economy. When Fort Ord was closed in 1994, the community lost thousands of jobs and hundreds of millions of dollars.

"The military brings in \$1 billion a year into the local economy, and that is to say nothing of the ripple effect ... all the other businesses that generate economic activity, and the thousands of people who are members of our community," he said. "In terms of things that keep me up at night, [the closure of DLI and NPS] is pretty high on my list."

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CANINE

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and Lombardo, are often on opposite sides of court battles. “When Tony and Mike agree on something, the county should stand up and listen,” she declared.

Representing the dog park, attorney Matt Ottone said it would preserve the property’s agricultural use, and he accused opponents of exaggerating its impacts. “There’s been a lot of misinformation and hyperbole,” he countered.

Members of the public also traded opinions about the canine center. Opponents warned that cars and RVs going to and from the dog park would add to the dangers of driving on Carmel Valley Road, while proponents noted that existing events nearby generate far more traffic than the canine center would.

Proponents also argued the canine center would fill a legitimate recreational need in the local marketplace, and one woman said more people are supportive of it than it appears, but “they are afraid to speak out because opponents have been so aggressive.”

Opponent Ramona Smith expressed worries about RVs accessing the dog park. “It’s a disaster waiting to happen,” she suggested.

Another opponent, Lucy Hook, played a video showing a dog agility contest, and cited it as evidence that noise concerns are valid.

“This is not a quiet sport,” Hook said. “Dogs do what dogs do — they bark.”

Representing the Carmel Valley Association and its 600 members, Priscilla Walton called the dog park “a great idea” in the “wrong place.”

“We’re extremely concerned about the project’s negative impacts on traffic, the water supply and the character of Carmel Valley,” Walton said. “This is a commercial project in a residential neighborhood.”

Before quickly and unanimously voting to reject the project, the supervisors questioned why the planning commission let it pass their scrutiny so easily. Supervisor Dave Potter, whose district includes Carmel Valley, even blasted commissioners who recused themselves from the Aug. 26 hearing. Presumably he wasn’t referring to Diehl — who had to recuse herself for obvious reasons — but Keith Vandevere and Amy Roberts, who did the same. He said a project with “this level of controversy” deserved more oversight. “There was not adequate review,” Potter said.

Potter also said the planning commission was left without a Carmel Valley area representative at the hearing and accused at least some of the planning commissioners — he did not offer up any names — of having “the inability to put friendships aside and make difficult decisions.”

Armenta was also particularly critical of the planning commission, calling its review of the project “a joke.”

Before making a motion to uphold the appeal and deny the project, Potter agreed with the assessment of many project opponents.

“There is a questionable water supply, and unmitigated traffic impacts,” he said. “I disagree that a private club has a community benefit. I don’t think it’s bad project — it’s just in the wrong site.”

In a Facebook post, Diehl and her two partners conceded their long-sought dog park, at least at its present location, is dead.

“I am so sorry to report that the board of

supervisors unanimously voted to deny our proposal,” the post said. “They agree with project opponents that the community vision for this historic organic farm is estate homes. We are sad. But we are proud to have had so many wonderful friends and supporters, who helped us stick to our values in the face of significant challenges.”

A post on the dog park’s website offers its

supporters hope that it will somehow find a home.

“We are of course deeply saddened by this outcome,” Diehl wrote. “It will take awhile for us to see what comes next. If you have ideas, please contact us and let us know. The need for a convenient, spacious, safe place for people to exercise and train with their dogs remains.”

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‘MOLL FLANDERS’ DIGS FOR GOLD AGAIN AS PACREP BRINGS STORY TO THE STAGE

By CHRIS COUNTS

REVIVING THE classic tale by Daniel Defoe of a woman whose enterprise and deceit lead to her rise and fall, a new adaptation of “Moll Flanders” continues this weekend at the Circle Theatre.

“The story is based in an 18th century novel by Defoe, who also wrote, ‘Robinson Crusoe,’” director Kenneth Kelleher told The Pine Cone. “It’s a witty and sometimes dark comic look at a woman who was born in prison, was married many times, went through lots of adventures and escapades, and lived to a very old age.”

Defoe’s story was adapted to the stage by contemporary playwright Jennifer LeBlanc. Presented by PacRep Theatre, the play stars Rami Margron as Moll Flanders.

“Rami is incredible,” Kelleher said. “I’ve worked with her many times, and she was the only person we could think of

who could do the part.”

The cast also includes Will Springhorn, Howard Burnham, Donna Federico, Katie Krueger and others.

The play will be staged Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through Nov. 8. All shows start at 7:30 p.m. except Sunday matinees, which begin at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$16 to \$36. The Circle Theatre is located on Casanova between Eighth and Ninth. Call (831) 622-0100.

■ Cast sought for ‘Borrowers’

The Forest Theater Guild is hosting auditions for acting and singing roles in “The Borrowers” Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 7-8, at the Carmel Youth Center.

The original musical, which was written by Walt DeFaria, is based on a children’s fantasy novel of the same name by Mary Norton. The book explores the secret world of a family

of tiny people who live inside a the walls of a house and “borrow” from the big people who live there.

“The Borrowers” will open June 23 and continue week-ends through July 17.

Those auditioning will be asked to recite a monologue and sing a song. To schedule an audition, call (831) 760-1027.

Making sure Halloween is a treat for your four-legged friends

By ELAINE HESSER

SURE, THERE are adorable animals — mostly dogs — strutting their stuff in costumes every Halloween. But for many pets, the last quarter of the year holds some additional risks that their humans need to know about.

Karl Anderson, veterinarian at the Animal Hospital at Mid Valley, and his wife Lori, who manages the hospital, offered a cringe-worthy list of holiday hazards that can easily be avoided fairly easily once you’re aware of them.

First, there are neighborhoods where trick-or-treaters abound, ringing the doorbell every few minutes, shouting, “Trick or Treat!” and sometimes not looking much like people, at least to a dog.

“If a silver spaceman comes to the door, my dog’s going to freak!” Karl said. Your pet’s reactions could range from obsessive barking or bolting out an open door to hiding in fear or possibly even attacking that scary creature that’s too close to its family.

The obvious solution is to put the pet in a quiet room at the back of the house until the coast is clear.

If you have a well socialized pet that seems to enjoy celebrating in costume, there are a few tips to make sure it’s comfortable. Avoid anything with too-tight elastic, or that blocks the animal’s vision. Also, Anderson said, if your pet’s prone to eating socks and the like, make sure it can’t chow down on any part of its outfit. He said that spray-on spider webs aren’t readily digestible, either.

Costumes and lighted candles are a particularly bad combination, so make sure any open flames are up and out of reach. Even an un-costumed dog could knock over a jack-o’-lantern and cause a fire.

Blacks cats in trouble?

Despite some claims that it’s an urban legend, the Andersons strongly assert that black cats are in danger of kidnapping and worse around Halloween. They recommend keeping them indoors for a couple days before and after the holiday. It’s noteworthy that many shelters will not adopt out black cats near Halloween — although that is sometimes because people just want them for party decorations and return them a few days later.

Perhaps the biggest risks of all during the fall holidays, however, have to do with food. We think of our pets as family and we want to treat them that way. But just as you wouldn’t hand an 8-year-old a whiskey sour (you wouldn’t, right?), your four-legged friends have limitations, too.

First, said Anderson, absolutely no candy, and especially not chocolate. It’s toxic to dogs and cats, although cats don’t seem to have the sweet tooth and the propensity to eat anything that’s not nailed down that some dogs do.

“Chocolate acts like an overdose of caffeine,” said Anderson. “It can kill a dog or cat.” Symptoms of chocolate poisoning include vomiting, diarrhea, heart problems, seizure and death. The wrappers aren’t good eats, either — they can block an animal’s intestines.

Christmas and Hannukah’s main hazards come in the form of decorations, and in this case it may be the feline members of your household that are more vulnerable. From climbing — and bringing down — the Christmas tree, to contact with toxic mistletoe or poinsettias, cats find a lot of things to get into during the winter holidays.

A very real threat

The biggest threats to felines are decorations on a string, gift-wrap ribbon and worst of all, shiny tinsel. A cat’s tongue prevents it from spitting out anything like that once it starts to swallow it. Then, it can stop up the cat’s intestines and even cut the digestive tract open, potentially causing peritonitis.

Of course, dogs aren’t immune to the dangers of a winter wonderland. There are candles, again, and things to knock over with a wagging tail. Anderson said he knows from personal experience that giving your dogs presents wrapped like the ones we give our human friends is bad conditioning. They start to think that anything wrapped and put under the tree is fair game for shredding. And for the record, Christmas-tree flocking isn’t particularly digestible, either.

Finally, if you have an animal that likes to chew on wires, make sure you unplug the tree and other decorations if you’re not around.

And of course, although this might all might sound scary, knowledge and a little bit of prevention will help keep things happy, merry and bright for your furry friends throughout fall and early winter. If you have more questions or need to know if something is toxic or dangerous, you can — and should — ask your vet.



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Nonagenarian 'force of nature' visits Sunset, jazz guitarist goes red

STILL SPRY at 91, pianist **Menahem Pressler** performs Sunday, Nov. 1, at Sunset Center.

Just 16 when he fled Nazi Germany in 1939, Pressler won first prize at the Debussy International Piano Competition in San Francisco seven years

forming at this high a level — the little guy has incredible stamina and energy.”

To bring Pressler to Carmel, he had to be booked years in advance, Gordon explained.

When he takes the stage at Sunset Center, Pressler will play W. A. Mozart's *Rondo in A Minor K 511*; Schubert's *Sonata No 18 in G Major, D. 894*; Schumann's *Variations on a Theme in E flat Major*; and two compositions by Chopin, his *Op. 7, No. 1 and No. 3* and *Op. 17, No. 4* and *Ballade No. 3 in A flat Major, Op. 47*.

Presented by the nonprofit Carmel Music Society, the concert starts at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$45 to \$60. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. Call (831) 625-9938.

On A High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

later. The award helped launch his long and distinguished solo career. In 1955, he co-founded **The Beaux Arts Trio**, which toured and recorded for more than half a century before disbanding in 2008. Also, for more than 60 years, Pressler has taught piano at the University of Indiana.

“He is a force of nature in the music world,” said **David Gordon**, who offers a pre-concert talk at 2 p.m. “He is by far the senior virtuoso among piano players. I'm impressed he's still out there and per-

Cellist rocks Halloween bash

A self-described “goblin,” space age cellist and 1997 Carmel High School graduate **Rushad**

See **MUSIC** page 27A

Ventana Inn showcases emerging Big Sur painter

CALLING ATTENTION to a painter with deep Big Sur roots, the Gallery at Ventana is introducing **Chelsea Belle Davey** as its artist-in-residence.

Through the end of the month, Davey will be painting at the Ventana Inn Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

While Davey grew up in Big Sur, her introduction to art came at the

she recalled. “That's where I learned to paint.”

Back home in Big Sur, Davey was also encouraged to paint by a neighbor, **Erin Gafill**.

“Erin has been an inspiration for me,” she said. “It's kind of hard not to learn to paint when you're neighbors with her.”

Davey was also inspired by the late **George Choley**, a somewhat

Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

Monterey Jazz Festival.

Her grandfather, **Paul Vierrege**, served as stage manager

for the iconic festival for 35 years. She attended her first festival when she was just a toddler.

“I have photos of me at my first festival, and I'm just a couple months old,” Davey told *The Pine Cone*.

Davey was still a youngster when she began helping to paint the backdrop for the Jimmy Lyons Stage at the festival.

“The main set designer, **Susan Collins**, took me under her wing,”

reclusive Big Sur artist whose paintings are rarely seen in galleries, but hang in the homes of many longtime locals. “I can't stop staring at them,” she said.

Unlike most kids, Davey didn't have the luxury of being distracted by television or Internet, which freed up time for being creative.

“Growing up in Big Sur, I had to learn to entertain myself, especially

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Now in his 10th decade, pianist Menahem Pressler (top left), performs Sunday at Sunset Center. Bruce Forman (above) offers a homecoming concert Thursday at the Cherry Center. Cellist Rushad Eggleston (left) brings his wild stage show to Big Sur on Halloween.



Chelsea Belle Davey, who will be the artist-in-residence at the Gallery at Ventana this month, captures Big Sur's scenery on her canvas. Curiously, when she was just a youngster, Davey was introduced to painting at the Monterey Jazz Festival.

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Oct. 31 - Carmel-by-the-Sea's Annual Halloween Parade, Party, Pumpkin Roll, and 99th Birthday celebration, Saturday, October 31. Parade starts on San Carlos Street & 9th at 11 a.m. Lunch at Noon at Sunset Center, San Carlos & 9th. Lunch tickets: \$5 (includes hot dog, chili, chips, and soda.) Free cake and ice cream. Live music 2 to 5 p.m. (831) 620-2020.

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SUNSET

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ideas. Conversations at each station were energetic. Everyone agreed parking was an issue. Suggestions to improve that situation included adding underground parking on the north lot, with a garden on top to make the center more inviting and accessible to people approaching from downtown. The garden could also be used for outdoor events and — of course — the elevator opening at the top could be disguised as a Comstock house.

People imagined tunnels, skywalks and improved sidewalks to make pedestrian traffic easier and safer, along with low-level outdoor lighting. Most people thought the chain-link fence should be history and some wanted to plant more trees.

A lively discussion about the merits of adding a full, modern kitchen, or even a restaurant, also surfaced. A coffee house where people could discuss an evening's performance and exchange ideas during the day was also suggested.

Another emerging thread was that the cot-

tages on the south end, which house offices and yoga and dance programs, were sorely in need of renovation. Some suggested demolishing them and building new facilities to house the current occupants.

Many people felt that encouraging more youth programs was important to the center's mission, if it could be done without displacing any current community users. And everyone agreed that any new buildings or structures should be designed in line with Carmel's unique character.

After about 45 minutes, it was clear that the idea-generating power of those assembled was flagging, so after everyone's suggestions were summarized, the meeting was adjourned.

According to Christine Sandin, the center's executive director, the next step is to analyze and summarize the data from all the groups and individuals who provided input, and present that information to the city council at a meeting to be scheduled for the end of November.

She noted that the public and other interested parties would have the opportunity to comment on the proposed design when it's ready.

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By MARY SCHLEY

cocktails, syrups, liqueurs and wild foraged tea blends," using a variety of spirits, including gin. The three-course cocktail menu will be paired with warm, fall-inspired bar bites, and guests will take home bottles of the seasonal liqueur, syrup, garnishes and tea blends they create during the workshop.

Blandin noted the mid-valley winery is "an idyllic setting to discover and enjoy the great wines, food, natural beauty and hospitality of Carmel Valley."

Folktale Winery & Vineyards is located at 8940 Carmel Valley Road. Tickets are \$125 per person, with a limit of 25 spaces. Reserve via Evenbrite under Flowers & Gin edition II or call (831) 229-4132.

Happy birthday, Holman

It's been four years since the Holman Ranch Tasting Room opened its doors at 19 E. Carmel Valley Road in the Village, and owners Hunter Lowder and Nick Elliot will be celebrating their venture's fourth birthday Oct. 31 and Nov. 1. All weekend, they'll be offering a BOGO (buy one get one) deal on estate tastings between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

For more information, visit www.holmanranch.com.

Ben Heller Award dinner

Lorri Koster, chairman and CEO Mann Packing Co., Inc., will be honored for her "extraordinary commitment to the goal of improving the quality of life for farmworkers in the Salinas and Pajaro valleys" during the Center for Community Advocacy's 20th annual Dia de Los Muertos tardeada — or

afternoon party — Nov. 1, at 4:30 p.m. in the California State University Monterey Bay University Center.

The CCA will recognize Koster for her efforts in several programs that benefit farmworkers, as well as her roles at the Rancho Cielo youth campus and The First Tee youth golf program, and her "steadfast support for policies, particularly in the Monterey County General Plan, that encourage the construction of affordable housing for farmworkers and other working families," according to organizers.

Also at the afternoon party, The First Tee's Monterey County chapter will receive the 2015 Volunteer Hero Award Recipient for the "exemplary work" its administrators and volunteers undertake with children from the Alisal Union Elementary School District.

Tickets and sponsorships are available by calling (831) 747-7455 or email: marci@chatterboxpublicrelations.com. Visit www.cca-viva.org to learn more.

Bubbles & Bags

The Community Foundation for Monterey County will hold its Bubbles & Bags Silent Auction Nov. 8, from 1 to 5 p.m. at The Inn at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach. The fundraiser will benefit the Girls' Health in Girls' Hands initiative of the women's fund, a "girl-led movement for health empowerment and leadership for girls between 11 and 18 years old in Monterey County" that "invests in the potential of girls and increasing economic security for women."

The event will feature more than 350 handbags, including purses by Chanel, Louis Vuitton, Coach, Valentino, Burberry, Cole Hahn, Max Mara, Yves Saint Laurent, Mary Frances, and more than a dozen one-of-a-kind purses, especially designed and donated by featured artist, designer Christine Benson.

The event begins with a First Peek Preview from 1 to 2 p.m. for "Buy it Now" purchases where guests pay the top asking price to ensure they get their favorites. The silent auction continues from 2 to 5, with sparkling wine served while attendees browse.

Admission is \$100 for the First Peek Preview and silent auction, or \$25 just for the auction, through Nov. 4, after which tickets will be available for \$35 at the door.

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ext. 120. To learn more, visit www.cfmco.org/ghgh.

Cash for Real Good Fish

Real Good Fish, the Moss Landing business formerly known as Local Catch, has been awarded a \$100,000 grant from Chase Bank for its work as a community-supported fishery. In particular, the company — which distributes freshly caught local fish to people who pay for weekly deliveries — helps ensure students in the Monterey Peninsula can partake of nutritious seafood lunches through its Bay2Tray initiative.

More than 30,000 business owners from all 50 states submitted applications for this year's Chase bank grants pro-

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gram, called Mission Main Street, and more than 1.7 million votes were cast online for contenders.

A team of small-business experts chose the grant recipients from among those that received at least 250 votes.

Saying that the grant program “is a meaningful way for Chase to support small businesses that play such a major role in our local economy,” business banking market manager Todd Heintz said Real Good Fish does a good job of making a difference “by helping the

community connect to the local coastline and educating them that the health of our environment is deeply connected to the food we eat.”

Real Good Fish has 43 pickup sites between Carmel and Marin from which several hundred subscribers pick up their seasonal, sustainable seafood. The Bay2Tray initiative provides affordable local seafood for healthy public school lunches, and the Monterey Unified School District purchases 60 pounds of seafood from Real Good Fish every month.

Real Good Fish’s business plan calls for increasing its impact by hiring more people to handle local processing jobs and expand-

ing its reach.

■ **Where they’ve landed**

Marc Cutino, who handled sales for Talbott Vineyards for many years, has been named vice president of sales for Albatross Ridge, which has a tasting room in downtown Carmel. And Mike Oprish, who worked for Bernardus Winery owner Bernardus Pon, left to become general manager and chief operating officer of the private Corral de Tierra Country Club.

oak, and at lower alcohol levels.”

At Corral de Tierra, Oprish is responsible for all club operations and providing members with quality facilities, services and programs. Oprish has lived in Monterey County for the past 20 years and started his career in hospitality and the service industry more than a quarter-century ago.

Corral de Tierra Country Club is a private, members owned club, and membership is by invitation only.

■ **Rio Winemaker Thursday**

On Thursday, Nov. 5, McIntyre Vineyards will be the Rio Grill’s featured guest for its Winemaker Thursday, when chef Cy Yontz will prepare a special entrée to pair with the featured whines, which will be available for tasting.

From 5 to 7 p.m., McIntyre will provide samples of the wines, which can also be purchased by the glass throughout the evening.

The Rio Grill is located at the Crossroads shopping center. For more information, call (831) 625-5436 or go to www.riogrill.com.

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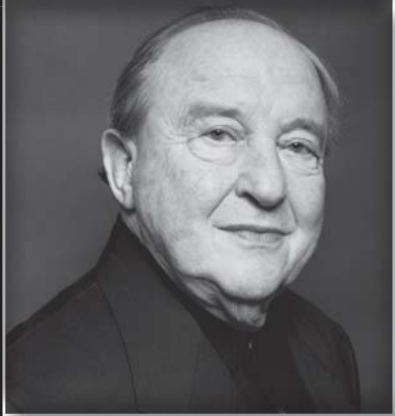
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Flavors of P.G.

The Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce will showcase the talents of local chefs at Flavors of Pacific Grove: A Celebration of the Great Chefs of Pacific Grove, Saturday, Nov. 7, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., at The Inn at Spanish Bay.

As the ever popular Money Band plays, and representatives from wineries like Cima Collina and Percheron McFarland Wines pour samples, an impressive lineup of chefs from local restaurants will tantalize taste buds with their culinary prowess.

- Set to serve are:
- Marietta and Pierre Bain, owners of Fandango;
 - Evan Lite from The Beach House at Lovers Point;
 - Matthew Beaudin from Cindy's Waterfront Restaurant at the Monterey Bay Aquarium;
 - Julie and Mark Davis of Vivolo's Chowder House;
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 - Dean Young of Classic Catering & Gatherings;
 - AJ Kishk from Pizza My Way;
 - Robert Kershner from Canterbury Woods;
 - Danny Abbruzzese from Asilomar Conference

- Grounds:
- Jordan Champagne, owner of Happy Girl Kitchen Co.;
 - David Stamm from The Bridge Culinary Training; and
 - Dory Ford, owner of Aqua Terra Catering, which runs the restaurant at Point Pinos Grill.

Others slated to be there are Kai Lee Creamery, Nothing Bundt Cakes, Sparky's Root Beer, A Taste of Monterey and Trader Joe's, and guests can participate in live and silent auctions.

Tickets for the event are \$50 per person, and advance purchase is required. For more information and to buy tickets, visit www.pacificgrove.org or call (831) 373-3304.

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in the winter when the power went out," she recalled. "Also, with a dial-up connection, it took about 14 hours to download something."

With her Big Sur roots, it's easy to understand why the natural beauty of the coast has become her muse. To capture its panoramas, Davey uses acrylics and paints on canvases as wide as five feet.

After exploring a career in advertising, Davey made the decision earlier this year to commit to being a full-time artist. Despite the risks of forgoing a steady paycheck, she is exciting about the future.

"My goal is to continue to live this lifestyle," she added. "The sky is the limit."

In addition to painting at Ventana Inn and Spa, Davey sets up her easel on Sundays and Mondays at Steven Whyte's Sculpture Studio and Gallery.

Ventana Inn and Spa is located on Highway 1 about 28 miles south of Carmel. Call (831) 667-2498.

Patricia Gillespie Eggleston

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Patricia Gillespie Eggleston, of Carmel, California was Born September 25, 1931 and She died on October 26, 2015.



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Editorial

Your brother's keeper

IN PEBBLE Beach, a home on 17 Mile Drive sold recently for the colossal sum of \$18,000,000 — which means the new owner of that property will be paying property taxes of more than \$180,000 a year.

But if he needs a sheriff's deputy in the middle of the night, he will have to wait a long time before one shows up. And the same thing goes for all his neighbors — whose property taxes, while perhaps not as large as the \$18 million man we just mentioned, are still high. Until at least the middle of next year, if there's a break-in, assault, rape or attempted suicide in Pebble Beach or Carmel Valley, chances are it will be a long time before anybody from the sheriff's department will be on hand to help.

That's because, as we reported last week, the overnight resources of the sheriff's department have been redirected to the county jail. At this moment, not a single deputy is posted overnight in Pebble Beach or Carmel Valley, which means that when one is needed for an emergency in either of those areas, he'll have to come from Salinas.

This latest move is just part of a nationwide reality, in which most law enforcement dollars are spent in a few communities, while most of the money that underwrites law enforcement budgets comes from other areas. To be specific, more than one-quarter of the Monterey County's property tax revenue comes just from the immediate Carmel area, while only a small fraction of the sheriff's force of deputies is deployed here. And overnight, for now, that fraction has dropped to zero.

This is the way it has to be, of course, since the communities where property taxes are high are also usually the places where crime rates are lower. There's no sense sending a lot of officers to keep watch where crime hardly happens.

Nevertheless, even the rich are entitled to minimal police protection. They actually should have the right to demand at least a little protection, since they provide so much of the money.

In doing away with the overnight shifts in Carmel Valley and Pebble Beach, perhaps Sheriff Steve Bernal took his cue from Washington or Sacramento, where income redistribution has become the No. 1 priority of government. But that doesn't mean the people who pay most of the taxes should get nothing from the government they pay them to.

Bernal should find a way to rescind his policy immediately, not only because it could have dire consequences, but because he should always operate with at least a tiny bit of respect for the people who provide most of his paycheck.

BEST of BATES



"Lady, we believe you're Clint Eastwood's cousin. But you still have to pay."

Letters to the Editor

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We need water

Dear Editor,

I am running for a seat as director of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District. My primary goal is to ensure we have a permanent, affordable, safe and reliable water supply for the Monterey Peninsula — as soon as possible.

I was born and raised in Monterey and have deep family roots here. I graduated from Monterey High and UC Berkeley. I have worked as a successful stock broker and financial manager for over two decades. My office is in downtown Monterey.

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Please join Former Monterey mayors Dan Albert, Chuck Della Sala and Peter Coniglio, current Monterey council members Libby Downey and Ed Smith, as well as the Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce, in my campaign to achieve an affordable, safe and reliable water solution for Monterey!

I would be honored to have your vote.

Jeff Gorman, Monterey

'Minority penalized for the good of the whole'

Dear Editor,

Every home has to go through review. Significant concerns, if any, are brought up at the time of the reviews. People have asked me if the owner of the home on Signal Hill Road in Pebble Beach knew it was a Neutra. Apparently, sometimes they said they did and sometimes they said they didn't. It doesn't matter. Ignorance has never been a legitimate excuse.

The reviews are there at the beginning of the process to define issues for the greater good, such as significant architecture. We are all subject to this and we should be, because we do not live in a void, but a community with scale, context and history. The composition of the human contribution to the landscape is something we need to see as a group, not just as individuals.

Aside from the point that this house was designed by one of the greatest architects of the twentieth century, to accuse the preservationists of being criminals is to forget that we

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From surgical scrubs, to setting tables, to stories of survival

AFTER A long day of surgical nursing, parenting, and running her event-planning company, Anna Vandembroucke joined her family at dinner in their Carmel Valley home, and made an announcement. "I wrote a book," she said.

Her husband and children looked at one another and back at her. "When?"

"While you were sleeping."

For a year, Vandembroucke wrote at night, every night throughout 2010, when the house was still, and her mind was quiet enough to let the memories and the moments return to her. She wrote by hand, feeling her life flow through her pen, and spill onto the pages of her spiral-bound notebooks. By the time she felt finished, she had filled seven notebooks.

She swears every bit of the book is true, but called it a novel because she was afraid nobody would believe it all really happened. Not unless they had lived in 37 houses growing up, survived violent punishments, food deprivation and neglect, and barely lived to tell about it.

The book — "Thirty-Seven Houses" — sounds bleak. But right under the title, Vandembroucke offers a more hopeful subtitle: "Every heart finds a home."

She's living proof.

Vandembroucke was born near the coastline of Oregon on her parents' fourth wedding anniversary. The newspaper reported the blessing on the same page as stories about a violent dog attack and a fierce November storm, which is where the story begins, setting the stage for her traumatic childhood. She was born to a musician father who loved her more than he loved himself, and a woman who didn't know how to love.

When Vandembroucke was 10, her father gave up on love and on life, and ended his, taking with him her hope for a happy child-

hood. one was looking, not at her friend, but at her, she understood the surprise party actually was for her.

"That night," she says, "after my birthday party was over, and everybody in my family had gone to bed, I started writing my book. It's true what they say; when you have a book inside you, you just have to get it out. And so I did, one thought, one feeling, one memory at a time."

Vandembroucke released "Thirty-Seven Houses" in 2011, amid the sobering news that, after self-publishing, she'd need to sell 1,000 copies of her book just to break even. Having sold more than 20,000 books, she says, her proceeds now benefit animals and children in need.

Even when she was very young, Vandembroucke enjoyed writing. She actually went to college planning to become an elementary

school teacher but decided she might not have the temperament for it. Realizing she'd always liked science best, she paired that with her desire to help others and became a nurse.

The opportunity to work in South America with a cleft lip-and-palate team inspired her to go into surgical nursing. After working many years with Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, Vandembroucke now scrubs in at the Monterey Peninsula Surgery Center.

In 1991, on a whim, she purchased a dozen square black plates and set a sophisticated table she had only imagined, growing up, for a dinner party at home. Her guests found the setting so exquisite she decided she was onto something. Based on 12 black plates and a business plan, she ran an ad in the paper, offering to "Set your table."

She received just one call, from an event planner, who said she needed table service for 50. You can hardly go wrong with basic black, she thought.

Vandembroucke risked a \$500 debt on the purchase of 38 more black plates and

everything else she'd need to set a stunning table. Just as she was ready to make her grand entrance, the event planner called to cancel. But one thing she learned growing up was never to give up.

Nearly 25 years later, "Carmel Tabletops — weddings and events" warehouses 100,000 pieces of china, crystal and flatware, and 5,000 table linens. The company has been featured in, among others, "Elegant Bride," "InStyle," and "Town and Country" magazines, often acknowledging Vandembroucke's "impeccable taste and eclectic style."

These days, Vandembroucke, who has remained with her family in the same home for 10 years, is living the life of her dreams.

"I'm always coming up with new ideas," she says, "and people are asking if I have another book in me. I do. I have readers, I have followers, and I have more to say."

To suggest someone for this column, email lcwcarmel@aol.com.



Anna Vandembroucke

Great Lives

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

hood.

"When I relived the stuff of my childhood," she says, "it was so real, so vivid, through the eyes of the child, the adolescent and then the woman I have become. Some of it — a lot of it — was really hard to relive. If someone is too sensitive, I imagine my book would be hard to read. But I encourage the reader to carry on, because everything turns out in the end."

The end came some 40 years later, when her mother died, just days before Vandembroucke's birthday. Filled with grief and regret over the lost opportunity to have the loving mother she had always hoped for, Vandembroucke went for a run to try to get air, and then called her husband to share the news. He asked if she wanted to stay home or attend a surprise party that evening for a friend. Choosing to surround herself with friends, she went to the party and was the loudest one to yell, "Surprise!" as her friend entered the room. When she realized every-

Roughing it in the wilds of paradise

ONE THING scarier than trick-or-treating school children high on sugar is the threat of El Niño storms. Despite the dire warnings, I still can't quite believe we might be in for major flooding. But then, I didn't believe a PG&E transmission tower could fall over for no apparent reason.

I suspect the tower might've been toppled by the weight of sea gull guano. I haven't had a car wash in several months and bird poop is starting to cave in the roof.

That power outage forced me to finally get serious about disaster preparedness. I did something I should have done a long time ago — I turned it all over to my wife.

Mary is from Wyoming, so she knows about wilderness survival. I'm a city slicker. My survival skills are limited to knowing which take-out joints are best, and finding a parking spot within a mile of my destination.

However, when it comes to outdoor savvy, I'm not a complete novice. I went camping once in Wyoming with Mary's family. Of course, Carmel without electricity can't compare to roughing it in the Rockies. But if El Niño storms show up as predicted this year, my outdoor experience may come in handy.

The first time I met my future in-laws was right before the wedding. I walked into their house to find Mary's dad frying something in a big iron cowboy skillet. "What're you cooking, Jim?" I said.

"Come on in, young fella," he replied. "I got a mess of cutthroats for you." I thought he might be referring to the rest of the relatives. But he calmed my jitters with liquor, and set a big platter of fresh-caught fried brook trout before me. I soon felt like one of the family.

Our next trip to the Cowboy State, my in-laws planned a camping trip for my benefit. As a lifelong fan of Buck Jones and Louis L'Amour, I was thrilled at the prospect of a real Wild West experience. Until reality set in.

We set out for our campsite in a caravan of pickups. My brother-in-law drove me on a narrow dirt track up the side of a mountain. Think Big Sur before paved roads at an altitude of 12,000 feet. My knuckles were whiter than the snowy peaks. Which was hilarious to my brother-in-law. He never laughed that much at my jokes. Later, he split a gut when I cast my fishing line into a beaver dam and hooked a big one — my own tush.

On that trip I learned many important things. Fortunately, I blocked most of them out. But some I'll never forget:

I learned that there's an endless supply of rocks in the Rocky Mountains. And most of them were underneath my sleeping bag.

I also learned that heating a rock in a

campfire, then wrapping it in newspaper and placing in the bottom of your sleeping bag will keep you warm all night. A burned burrito works almost as well, but the cheese sticks to your feet.

After sleeping on a bed of rocks you may need an acupuncture treatment. Just sit on a porcupine. You'll forget all about your aching back.

Pup tents are not big enough for pups, let alone two adults in sleeping bags full of heated rocks.

Tents are not waterproof. It's a known fact that when a tent springs a leak, it will be directly over your head.

Wet socks can be made into jerky by smoking them over a campfire.

When smoking wet socks, don't inhale.

Wilde Times

By LARRY WILDE

Coyotes make more noise at night than a chorus of barking dogs at a canine center during a convention of mailmen.

The only thing noisier than coyotes are buzzing mosquitoes.

The only thing louder than buzzing mosquitoes is the snoring person who's sharing your pup tent.

In an emergency, a shoestrapping from your hiking boots can be used to strangle a snoring tent partner.

The National Park Service definitely needs a bigger budget. Then they could spray for mosquitoes. Also, too many trails go up hill. More should be built going down.

Trout are picky eaters. If plain worms don't lure them, dip the worms in chocolate. If the trout won't eat them, they make a tasty high protein trail snack.

Did I mention that Mary's brother had a lot of fun at my expense? One day I wanted to go for a hike. My brother-in-law warned me to watch out for bears. That made me nervous. So he gave me a string of tiny little bells.

"What good will these little bells do?" I asked.

"Wear them around your neck," he told me. "If the bears hear you coming, they'll run away."

That still didn't ease my mind. So he said, "Just watch for fresh bear droppings. That way you can avoid grizzlies."

I said, "How will I know if the droppings are from grizzlies?"

He said, "You can tell because they contain tiny little bells."

Larry Wilde is a former standup comedian and author of 53 humor books with sales of over 12 million copies. The New York Times dubbed him "America's Best-Selling Humorist." E-mail larry@larrywilde.com.

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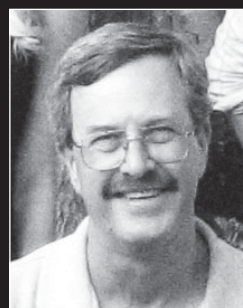
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LETTERS

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are living in that composition. Pebble Beach has a fascinating historical context, made of large and small homes built almost entirely in the twentieth century, creating a marriage of extraordinarily beautiful natural landscape with a cultural landscape of rich aesthetic.

Owners should be responsible for acknowledging they live not in a void, but in a community. Sometimes this means a minority is penalized for the good of the whole. This is the way it is, and should be.

Even if Neutra isn't your cup of tea, it is likely you don't hate all architecture, and recognize significant buildings should have preservation. That is one of the things the review process is designed to do.

We all must abide by the codes, so really, yes, nobody is safe from that. But, on the other hand, it is the codes that make us all safe, not only from destroying special buildings, but also from just building badly. If the owner is unhappy with the results, they can appeal more times, comply and/or sell. But it is ultimately their property and they must take responsibility for it, and make a choice of how they are going to invest in it, given the restrictions that have been dictated. In other words, they need to decide what the best use of their money is, paying to restore or paying for more appeals. Personally, the latter seems like a waste of time to me.

Polly Osborne, Carmel Valley

Right to die law misguided

Dear Editor,

As a medical oncologist for 38 years I witnessed the passing of many persons from cancer. Never did I receive a request to actively facilitate anyone's demise. I had only one suicide during that period. He had widespread cancer, was comfortable and responding well to chemotherapy, but, for some reason unknown to his family and to me he ended his life.

Gov. Brown in his decision to sign Right to Die into law, mentioned he couldn't imagine "dying in prolonged and excruciating pain." This is one of the reasons often quoted by those pushing for legalized euthanasia. BUT, there is no reason for anyone to undergo unrelenting pain. Medical professionals have at their disposal a variety of excellent medications, injections, etc., along with hospice programs with skilled, caring nurses, to keep such individuals completely comfortable!

Physicians fail when they do not keep their patients pain-free. In my experience, if comfortable, people want to live and be with their families as long as possible. For those who required regular pain medication I always provided them a generous supply for their use. Had they chosen to do so, it would have been sufficient to take and end their life. They knew that. Not one ever did!

Legislators have no business interfering with decisions that should be left to patients, families, their clergy and physicians. To use the excuse that patients are suffering from pain that can't be relieved is demonstrating a serious lack of knowledge and insight. All involved in bringing Right to Die to legal status are sorely misguided. Legal safeguards set up in other countries to prevent abuse have failed and have led to deaths of persons with non-fatal illnesses and to involuntary deaths.

Charles Pifer,
Carmel

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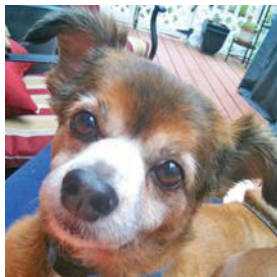
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MUSIC

From page 19A

Eggleston will fit right in with all the other costume-wearing revelers at the Big Sur Roadhouse's Halloween party Oct. 31.

"In a family-friendly celebration of the most bewitching night of the year, the Big Sur Roadhouse opens its doors to the community for an evening of dazzling dress up, festive games, enchanting activities, delectable treats and hypnotizing musical entertainment," restaurant manager Sam Skemp announced.

Eggleston, who plays from 6 to 9 p.m., is a classically-trained musician whose live performances will take you, in his words, "on a rocket-fueled melodic journey through space and time — from the ridiculous to the sublime."

Impossible to pigeonhole, Eggleston shape shifts through musical genres with ease. With him in the lineup, Fiddlers 4 earned a Grammy Award nomination in 2003 for Best Traditional Folk Album. Later, he cofounded Tornado Rider, which served up a manic mix of pop, rock and punk.

Besides Eggleston's music, the Halloween party will feature a costume contest for kids, face-painting, bobbing for apples, storytelling and much more.

The Roadhouse is located on Highway 1 about 25 miles south of Carmel. Call (831) 667-2390.

Jazz Libretto' at Cherry

The founder of the nonprofit education group, JazzMasters — which has reached thousands of young music students — guitarist Bruce Forman presents "The Red Guitar: A Jazz Libretto," Thursday, Nov. 5, at

the Cherry Center for the Arts.

"The Red Guitar" showcases Forman's talents as a composer, an instrumentalist and a story teller. The performance was inspired by the fairy tale, "The Red Shoes," by Hans Christian Andersen, the film, "The Red Violin," and one of Forman's most cherished guitars, which of course, is red.

"It's about the effect any art form has on a person who devotes their life to it — the toll it can take on you and the wondrous gifts it gives you," said Forman, a one-time Carmel Valley resident and now an artist-in-residence at the University of Southern California.

Showtime is 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15. The Cherry Center is located at Fourth and Guadalupe. Call (831) 624-7491.

Live Music Oct. 30-Nov. 5

Terry's Lounge at Cypress Inn — Andrea's Fault (jazz and blues, Friday at 7 p.m.); pianist **Gennady Loktionov** and singer **Debbie Davis** (cabaret, 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 singer **Lee Durley** and pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz and pop, Thursday at 6 p.m.). Lincoln and Seventh, (831) 624-3871.

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

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

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Taught Us ("Big Sur country-rock," Friday at 7 p.m.); and **Andrea's Fault** ("Americana Halloween," Saturday at 7 p.m.). San Carlos and Seventh, (831) 626-3400.

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

The Safari Club at the Bay Park Hotel in Monterey — singer-songwriter **Kiki Wow** (Thursday at 7 p.m.). 1425 Munras, (831) 235-7662.

Pierce Ranch Vineyards in Monterey — **The Stu Reynolds Saxtet** (Sunday at 4 p.m.). 499 Wave St., (831) 372-8900.

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The Safari Club at the Bay Park Hotel in Monterey — singer-songwriter **Kiki Wow** (Thursday at 7 p.m.). 1425 Munras, (831) 235-7662.

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** (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.

Fernwood Resort in Big Sur — **Natula** (pop, Saturday at 9 p.m.). On Highway 1 25 miles south of Carmel, (831) 667-2422.

Treebones Resort in Big Sur — pianist **Paul Robbins** (jazz, Monday at 6:30 p.m.). Just off Highway 1 on Willow Creek Road 65 miles south of Carmel, (877) 424-4787.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Thursday, November 19, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. the Cypress Fire Protection District, Board of Directors will meet at the District's fire station located at 3775 Rio Road, Carmel to consider adoption of an amended final budget for fiscal year 2015-15 that ends June 30, 2016.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the final budget was adopted September 30, 2015 and is available for inspection at the District's fire station located at 3775 Rio Road, Carmel, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any District resident may appear and be heard regarding the increase, decrease, or omission of any item on the budget or for the inclusion of any additional items.

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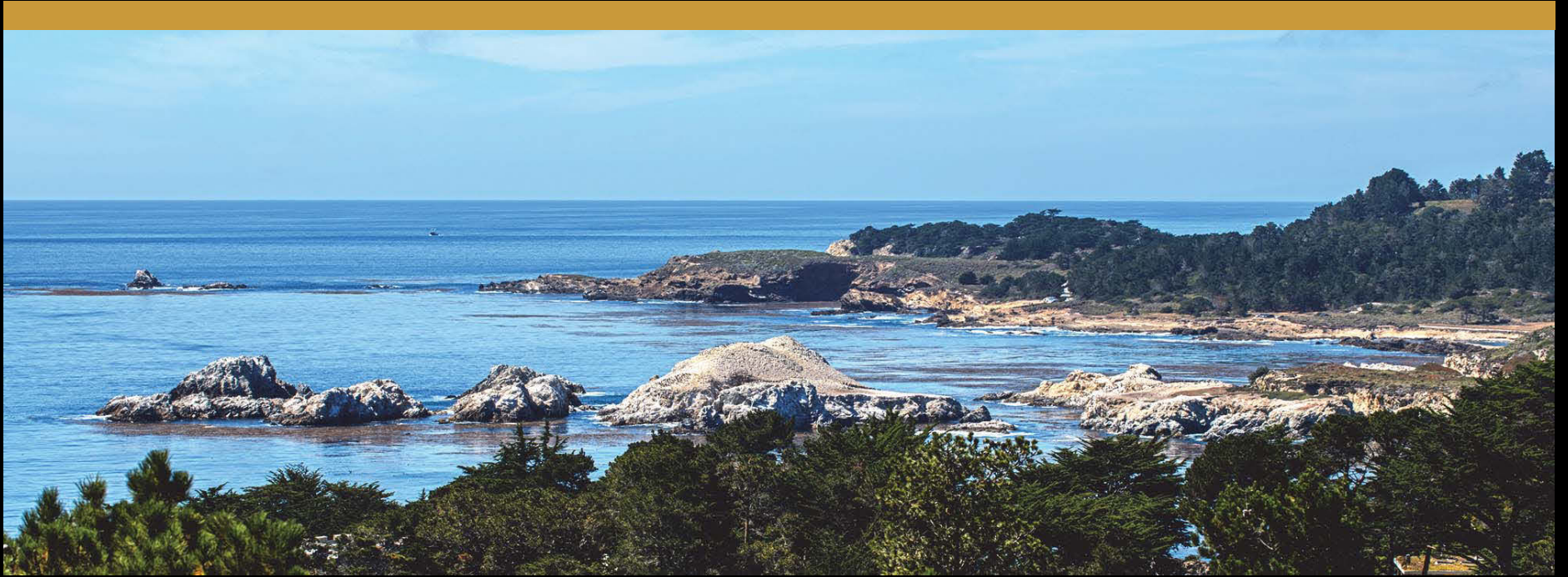
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138 White Oaks Lane — \$675,000

Mark and Michael Corl, Stephanie Scattini and James and David Tolan to Kevin Twidle and Ruth McVeigh
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98 High Meadow Lane — \$815,000

Jose and Heema Sinibaldi to Francis and Kathleen Zanger
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25410 Carmel Knolls Drive — \$875,000

Alice Russell Trust to Hsiang Wu and Ralph McClive
APN: 015-321-004

27173 Prado del Sol — \$1,350,000

Sandstrom Family Trust to Bernard and Nakelle Fitzpatrick
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5439 Quail Way — \$3,950,000

Lloyd and Mary Garren to Richard and Jennifer Garza
APN: 157-171-049

Highway 68

1527 Monterey-Salinas Highway — \$600,000

Michael and James Van Vorhis to Ryan Beck and Madeline Cardoza
APN: 101-231-001

20275 Franciscan Circle — \$608,000

Elaine Hunt to John Pessagno
APN: 161-281-005

Monterra Woods (4-acre lot) — \$900,000

Monterra Estate Homes LLC to Grant and Susan Hunt
APN: 259-101-133

1299 Jacks Road — \$940,000

Hamilton Family Trust to Donald Arns
APN: 101-101-009

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25060 Garden Road — \$101,500

Anthony Davi to Holman Building Asso. LP
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820 Casanova Avenue unit 24 — \$310,000

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APN: 013-253-033

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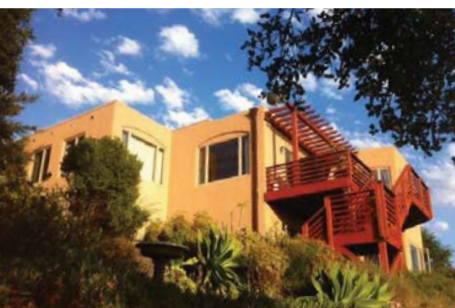
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MY AMBIVALENCE towards Halloween has not quite risen to the level of a love/hate relationship. There are elements about it that I like and dislike. It is a great time for kids to dress up as their favorite characters from literature, movies and television. It is also their first lesson in partaking in a perfect politically progressive institution — socialism — as they learn to accept hand-

outs simply for showing up. Perhaps, the homeowners dispensing Halloween candy should dress up like Bernie Sanders. Now that's scary.

Speaking of scary, that's the element of Halloween that I have trouble with. Boo! There, I've scared the pants off you — you little demon, fiend, imp, devil. Many Halloween costumes portray those darker components of our nature. The Bible's book of Ephesians warns us "... we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."

Call me extreme, but I don't think we should celebrate anything that, as the verse from Ephesians warns, taps into that dark side. That is why I never root for the Duke Blue Devils or Arizona State Sun Devils. I don't think university or professional teams should honor the ruler of that dark side. When hell freezes over, the New Jersey Devils will have home ice advantage.

Yes, I know that Halloween is what you make of it. Halloween should be fun for kids. Dressing up in costumes, getting treats from neighbors, and coating young teeth with enough sugar to keep dentists busy for years has become a \$7.4 billion industry in America. So let the little ones have at it. However, if you've ever seen Halloween as

adults in San Francisco's Castro district celebrate it, you would totally understand the meaning of the term "wretched excess."

But Halloween has an entirely different meaning for me that goes back eight years. That was the time my baby was having a baby. I don't know if fathers are more protective of their daughters than they are of their sons. Perhaps, there is some primal instinct telling men that their "hearth keeper" children need more protection than their "spear-chucking" children.

In October 2007 my getaway bag had been packed and ready to go since the previous February when my youngest daughter Jenny, who lives in Los Angeles, informed me she was pregnant. I knew I would have to go there for the delivery. She was having the first grandchild in our family in 10 years and the first grandchild born since my wife died four years earlier. The baby was due at the end of October. However, Jenny phoned me a few days before her due date.

"She's turned around," she informed me. "So the doctor is performing a C-section on Wednesday. Looks like a Halloween baby. Trick or treat, Dad."

This had been an intensely anticipated baby. Jenny was married three weeks after her mom passed away. We had cancelled the

wedding. Then everyone agreed that her mother would have wanted her to go ahead with it. So off we traipsed to Hawaii for the wedding. We arrived there the day before Thanksgiving. Instead of turkey dinner we had our version of a luau on the beach. It was

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our first Thanksgiving without Mom, followed by a wedding without her, and then Christmas a month later, again without her. We managed pretty well through Thanksgiving and the wedding, but when we all met in Los Angeles for Christmas, it was evident we were pretending to have a good time. I remember leaving LA in the late afternoon of Christmas Day because driving back to the Monterey Peninsula for six or seven hours, alone in a car with my thoughts, was more appealing than trying to believe that Christmas was merry and bright.

But when Jenny announced her pregnancy the whole family was excited. The ultrasound image that confirmed she was carrying a girl was further cause for celebration. Jenny is my

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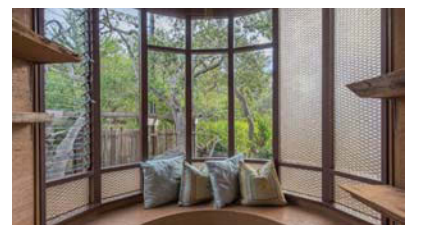
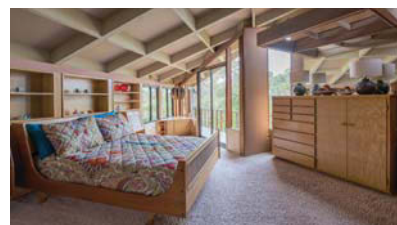
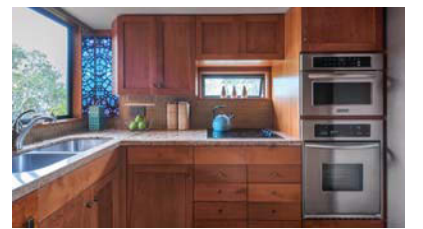
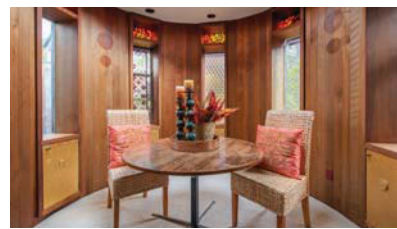
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GERVASE

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baby and I knew I had to be there — for her, for me — and for her mom. So off I went to LA, arriving there the evening before the scheduled c-section. We had dinner together, reminiscing about old times with neither of us quite able to believe she was going to be a mother.

Since grandfathers are about as useful at the birth of a baby as a fork in a soup-eating contest, I was relegated to the maternity waiting room. It was the first time in 30 years I had been to one and I was as nervous as I had been before.

Helena Renee Braga entered our atmosphere at 1:11 p.m., Oct. 31, 2007 — almost four years to the day that Grandma Helen departed this world. Closure? Perhaps, because once again the family circle was unbroken.

Jenny was beaming. Helena was remarkably serene and took the whole event in stride.

I cried like a baby.

Jerry Gervase can be contacted at jerry@gervase.com.

POLICE LOG

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View Boulevard. One vehicle was hit with a rock, one subject was struck in the head, and one subject got hit in the face with a carrot. No damage or injuries reported. Vehicle was not located.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Dog found loose at Junipero and 10th and brought to the station.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle backed into a city tree on Seventh Avenue.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury accident on Ocean Avenue involving a parked vehicle.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officers responded to a report of suspicious persons on Mission Street soliciting door to door. Subjects contacted and advised they would need a permit from city hall to continue. A later Internet check warned of a possible scam associated with the company.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Wallet found in a mailbox and turned in to the police department for safekeeping. Owner contacted and

will pick up the wallet. Report for info only.

Pacific Grove: A Bayview Avenue resident gave a \$20 donation to a person claiming he was collecting money on behalf of a foundation. Resident was able to cancel the check before it was cashed.

Carmel Valley: Monterey County employee lost an Apple laptop in Carmel Valley in the area of Tierra Grande Drive.

Carmel area: Person on Spindrift Road lost two items and wished to have that documented.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of an unknown person blocking the shoulder on Dolores Street with orange cones and leaving notes on vehicles about parking in a public parking zone.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Injury accident on San Carlos Street involving a pedestrian.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A-frames with beach signage on San Antonio Avenue taken.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Dog at large found at Monte Verde and

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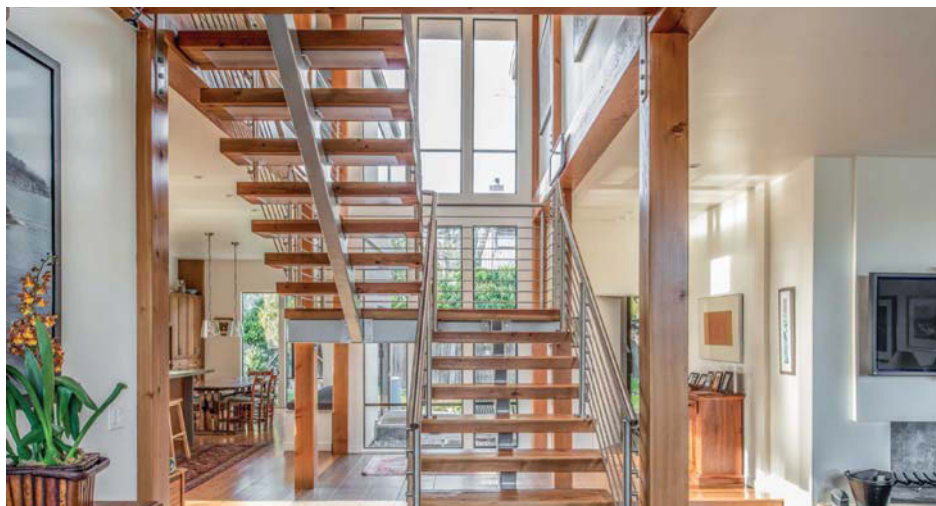
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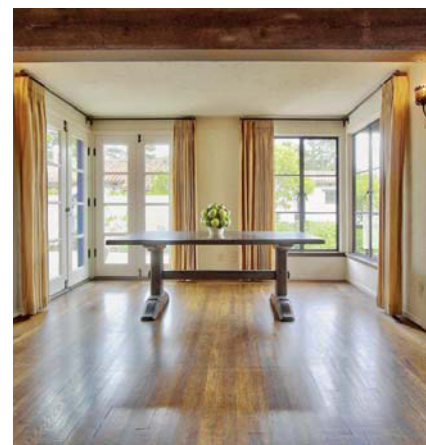



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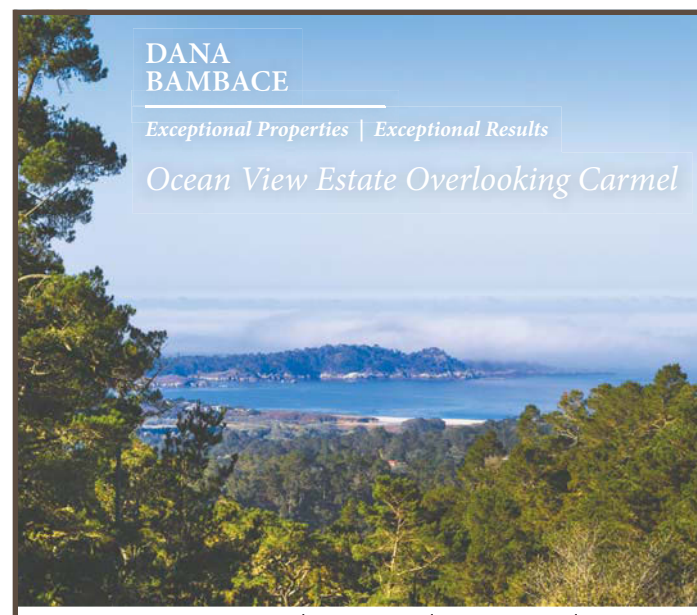

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POLICE LOG

From page 4A

13th and turned in to the police department. Owner picked up at 1900 hours.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Complaint of barking dogs at a residence on Dolores south of Eighth. Patrol responded and was unable to hear any dogs barking. Animal control officer conducted a follow-up and made contact with the part-time renters of the residence. Information was obtained, and solutions for the dogs that belonged to a renters' visitors were discussed. Follow-up contact with caller was made. Information also given to code enforcement.

Pacific Grove: Officer was dispatched after report of a burglary at a church on 12th Street. Person stated someone forced entry to office areas inside the building.

Pacific Grove: Financial elder abuse reported on Sinex. Case under investigation.

Carmel area: Out-of-town caller reported a person roaming about her home on Edgefield Place, which she viewed via

remote surveillance. Deputies challenged four men inside the home. Turns out the resident forgot her adult son and friends would be visiting.

Pebble Beach: Sherman Road resident reported a large boat propeller valued at \$4,000 was stolen from his yard sometime during the past five months.

Carmel Valley: Grandson on Schulte Road arrested for elder abuse, resisting arrest and threatening a peace officer. Victim is a 79-year-old male. The 25-year-old male was booked into county jail.

Carmel area: Male reported he was married last month in Carmel. During the weekend celebration on Highlands Drive, an unknown person stole his tuxedo jacket containing cash given to him during the reception.

Pebble Beach: Social services requested a welfare check of an adult female on Ocean Pines Road. The welfare check was completed.

further investigation, the juvenile male was found hiding near a business. Male juvenile said he ran because he did not want to get in trouble for curfew. Male juvenile was cited for the CMC violation and referred to the city's juvenile diversion program.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a hazardous condition, a sewage leak, at Carpenter and Third.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Expired driver's license found at Carpenter and Highway 1 was turned in by a citizen volunteer. Owner called; will call back.

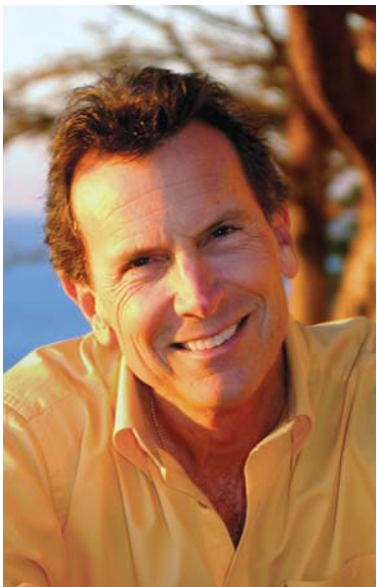
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a group at Camino del Monte and Lorca in a verbal argument over the rules at a local tennis court. Parties were contacted and counseled.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Phone on a bench at Junipero and Sixth.

See SHERIFF page 16RE

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject seen running in the dark in the business area on Dolores north of Seventh at 0210 hours. Upon



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26382 Valley View Avenue Carmel
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26294 Carmelo Street Carmel
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1 SW Corner of Scenic & Ocean Carmel
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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Grand theft at Junipero and Ocean.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A vehicle was towed from Scenic and 11th for displaying false registration tabs and having expired registration.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Hit-and-run collision on Rio Road.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Restaurant owner at Junipero and Fifth was contacted regarding a table set up on the public sidewalk. Guests were seated at the table and being served. The public sidewalk was blocked, forcing most pedestrians to walk in the roadway to pass. Restaurant owner said he was only trying to accommodate guests who wanted to smoke. Restaurant owner was warned for the violation.

Pacific Grove: Officer was dispatched to a verbal domestic between a male and female on Grant Street. Upon arrival, the male had scratches to his face due to the female attacking him. The female went inside the house and refused to come outside or talk with officers. This case will be sent over for a warrant requesting charges against the female for domestic violence.

Pacific Grove: Officers responded to a hit-and-run accident involving a parked vehicle on Lighthouse Avenue. Person followed the suspect vehicle until it came to a stop at a nearby store. Officers arrived at that location shortly afterward and determined that the suspect driver, a 45-year-old male, had been driving under the influence. He was subsequently arrested and booked at the police station. He was released on a cite to appear.

Pacific Grove: Officers responded to Cedar Street for a male yelling incoherently outside his house. The male yelled so loudly and so much that multiple neighbors approached officers and complained about his behavior. The male refused to speak with officers and eventually kept quiet. Report on file.

Carmel Valley: Vehicle on Cañada Court was vandalized.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A report of two suspicious males drinking alcohol and pouring it out in the courtyard of a local place of worship on Rio Road. The males were contacted and said it was a religious ritual.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 31-year-old male was arrested at

Eighth and Mission at 1630 hours for possession of drug paraphernalia. He was later released on a citation to appear.

Pacific Grove: Grove Acre resident found the window to his vehicle was smashed sometime overnight.

Pacific Grove: Junipero resident reported the window to his window was damaged sometime overnight. No suspect info.

Pacific Grove: The victim on Congress reported three rings missing from her stemware cabinet. The rings were passed down through the family and ranged between 50 and 100 years old. Total loss was \$25,600.

Pebble Beach: Bomb squad rendered safe a washed ashore U.S. Navy flare located on Spanish Bay beach.

Carmel area: Victim on Mesa Drive reported someone smashed the window to his vehicle.

Carmel area: Someone damaged a vehicle with a brick on Mesa Drive.

Pebble Beach: Ronda Road resident requested deputy contact regarding a possible restraining order violation.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Monte Verde Street resident reported a tree limb broke away from her neighbor's privately owned tree and landed on top of her PG&E wires attached to her residence. MFD responded and advised the resident there was no immediate hazard/danger and to contact PG&E for further assessment during business hours.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: An unknown vehicle struck a wood retaining landscaping wall to a residence on Monte Verde Street. No suspect information was obtained. A wood retaining wall was struck by an unknown vehicle. No suspect information obtained.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person turned over a found wallet at Junipero and Sixth. Later returned to the owner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject on San Carlos south of Fifth was placed on a mental evaluation hold and transported to CHOMP.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 28-year-old female was arrested on Monte Verde south of Fourth Avenue for public intoxication. After a jail check she was lodged at county jail.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Manager of a Mission Street restaurant reported two patrons were yelling at the staff and refusing to leave. Manager reported the patrons were unhappy with the service and began a peace disturbance inside the restaurant. Upon arrival, the patrons had left the restaurant and were contacted two blocks away. All parties were contacted, and the patrons were

asked not to return.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Juvenile contacted on San Carlos Street for walking with a baseball bat and being out past curfew. Juvenile ran from police officer and displayed the bat in a threatening manner. He was arrested and released to his father on a citation.

Pacific Grove: Delivery truck driver misjudged the size of his vehicle and sideswiped an unoccupied parked vehicle on Forest Avenue. Non-injury.

Carmel area: A female passed a fictitious check on Carmel Center Place while conspiring with another person to fraudulently purchase a residence.

Pebble Beach: A Carmel woman reported that her 38-year-old husband struck her in the face with a cellular telephone, causing her tooth to chip.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a possible domestic on Carmel Valley Road. Involved parties were contacted and stated was verbal in nature only.

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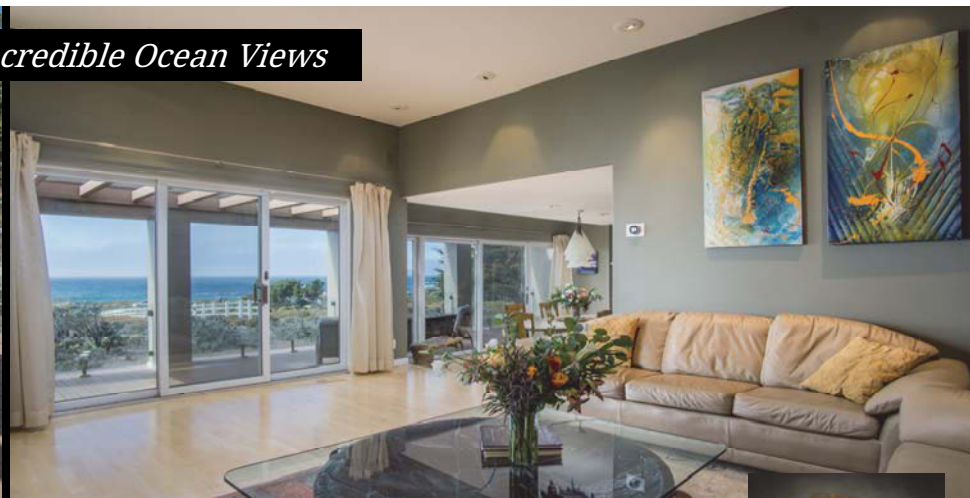
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20151922

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Registered owner(s):
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This business is conducted by: a limited liability company
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/ Denis Boaro, Managing Member
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on September 21, 2015.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20152009. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **BOHEMIAN CHIC**, 7, Dolores St. 2 NE of Lincoln, Carmel, CA. Monterey County. **BOHEMIAN COLLECTIONS, INC.**, 24676 Guadalupe St., Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Aug. 7, 2015. (s) Dan Zeller, CFO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 2, 2015. Publication dates: Oct. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2015. (PC1012)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20151881. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20152020. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
1. LAUBERGE CARMEL AUBERGINE
3. AUBERGINE AT LAUBERGE CARMEL
Monte Verde at 7th Ave., Carmel, CA 93921. Monterey County. **AUBERGE CARMEL 2, LLC - CALIFORNIA**. Mission at 7th Ave., Carmel, CA 93921. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A. (s) David B. Fink, Managing Member. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 5, 2015. Publication dates: Oct. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2015. (PC1016)

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 20121501. The following person(s) have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name **LAUBERGE CARMEL**, located at Monte Verde at 7th, Carmel, CA 93921; Monterey County. The fictitious business name was filed in Monterey County on July 24, 2012. File Number 20121501. REGISTERED OWNER(S): AUBERGE CARMEL, LLC, Monte Verde at 7th, Carmel, CA 93921; California. This business was conducted by a limited liability company. (s) Lisa Dias, Manager. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 5, 2015. Publication dates: Oct. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2015. (PC1017).

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Date: Aug. 7, 2015
(s) Teresa A. Risi, Clerk
by Carmen B. Orozco, Deputy
Publication Dates: Oct. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2015. (PC 1020)

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 20081060. The following person(s) have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name **AUBERGINE, AUBERGINE AT LAUBERGE CARMEL**, located at Monte Verde at 7th, Carmel, CA 93921; Monterey County. The fictitious business name was filed in Monterey County on May 16, 2008. File Number 20081060. REGISTERED OWNER(S): AUBERGE CARMEL, LLC, Monte Verde at 7th, Carmel, CA 93921; California. This business was conducted by a limited liability company. (s) Lisa Dias, Manager. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 5, 2015. Publication dates: Oct. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2015. (PC1018).

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20152042. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CZECH MATE CONSTRUCTION**, 698 Prescott Ave., Monterey, CA 93940. Monterey County. **JIRI NOZICKA**, 698 Prescott Ave., Monterey, CA 93940. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Oct. 8, 2015. (s) Jiri Nozicka. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 8, 2015. Publication dates: Oct. 16, 23, 30, Nov. 6, 2015. (PC1022)

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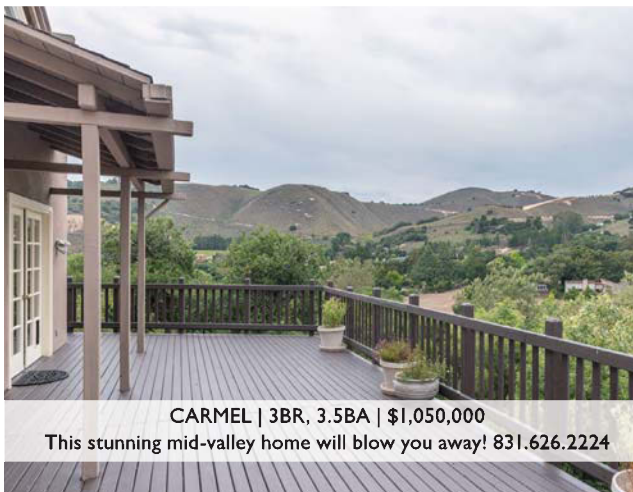
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Before you start perusing, we'd like to remind you again how important it is to *shop locally!*

FOOD and WINE AWARDS

- Best Deli
- Best Neighborhood Market
- Best Butcher

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

From brand names to basics, house-made to made-to-order, this community market caters to visitors and locals, alike. It's the ideal spot to run to for a rib eye for dinner or more apples for the kids' lunches, not to mention a dozen eggs or a bottle of wine. Voted best deli, Bruno's Market is also known for savory sandwiches prepared perfectly, while the meat counter offers top-grade beef, choice cuts of pork and other prime meats. Drop in for fresh-baked pastries and pizzas, bread and barbecue, and this long-standing neighborhood market likely will become your go-to grocer as well.

■ Best Fruits and Vegetables

Farmers Markets — *<https://www.oldmonterey.org> - www.montereybayfarmers.org - www.everyonesharvest.org - www.westcoastfarmersmarkets.org - www.cipponerifamilyfarms.blogspot.com*

If you live here, that means you live on the edge of the Salad Bowl of the World, and Pine Cone readers say it's their farmers markets that provide the best variety and quality of local organic fruits and vegetables. Good thing they have so many markets to patronize! The largest market takes over Alvarado Street in downtown Monterey on Tuesdays from 4 to 8 p.m. (4 to 7 p.m. in winter), while Monterey Peninsula College hosts a popular market on Fridays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and the Monterey Fairgrounds opens Gate 8 on Mondays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Pacific Grove presents a modest Monday afternoon market on Central Avenue from 4 to 7 p.m. Seasonal markets take place at The Barnyard at the mouth of the valley on Tuesday mornings May through September, and outside Whole Foods at Del Monte Center in Monterey on Sunday mornings. The newest markets are held on Thursdays on

Sixth Avenue in downtown Carmel from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and in Carmel Valley Village on Fridays from 2 to 6 p.m.

■ Best Organic Produce

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

At Whole Foods, the produce is fresh and abundant — and much of it is local and organic. Abundant displays are tended to by knowledgeable staff members who can explain every fruit and veggie's source and benefits. The produce is accompanied by quality foods and other household products, all selected to help customers eat well and live better.

■ Best Seafood Market

Sea Harvest Fish Market & Restaurant — *100 The Crossroads - (831) 626-3626 - 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. - www.seaharvestcarmel.com*

Sea Harvest market is just a short distance from the Pacific Ocean, and the fresh seafood reflects that proximity — from locally famous dungeness crab in the wintertime, to halibut and sushi-grade tuna. Whether you have it served on site or take it home, Sea Harvest's knowledgeable staff will provide suggestions on how to cook and enjoy it. Owned by Tina and David Deyerle, this fish market is the best place to go for anything fresh from the sea.

■ Best Bakery

Lafayette Bakery — *3672 The Barnyard - Monday*

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Owned by master baker Jean-Bernard Vial, Lafayette Bakery has impressed locals with its lovely diminutive French pastries like colorful macarons and dainty cakes, warm baguettes and other French breads in the morning, quiches and other delights. Goodies from Lafayette are sure to please any crowd.

Best Catering Company

A Moveable Feast — 18840 Cachagua Road, Carmel Valley — (831) 659-5100

For creative and delicious fare, look no further than chef Michael Jones and his catering company, A Moveable Feast. Jones and his wife, Amanda, prepare a wide range of delectable appetizers, main dishes — like

tender steak, cooked to perfection and served sliced thin with porcini cream and a sprinkling of salt — salads and sweets. Whether for a small, intimate gathering or a large party, A Moveable Feast is the perfect fit.

Best Kitchen Shop Best Housewares Shop

Sur La Table — Carmel Plaza, lower level - Monday to Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. - (831) 626-6433 - www.surlatable.com

Whether looking for a poaching pan or the newest kitchen knife, Sur La Table is the place to go for any chef, from aspiring, to professional. The store has gifts and gadgets, books and bakeware, napkins and knives — and the staff to tell you how to make the most of it. Splurge on a new Le Creuset pot or stock up on more glassware for the bar, and drop off your knives for sharpening while you're shopping. Whatever you need for the kitchen, you'll find it at Sur La Table.

Best Wine Store

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

A classic Carmel market that was operated by the same family for decades, until it was sold in 2009 to a new family, Tigran and Azniv Amirkhanian, Nielsen Bros. retains its small-town feel while carrying a wide range of quality products and produce. But its wine store, where tastings are offered regularly, is in a league of its own. The collection spans the globe and features many intriguing and unusual bottles alongside the popular favorites, in a wide range of prices. The recommendations are spot-on, too.

Best Monterey County Chardonnay

Best Monterey County Sauvignon Blanc

My Favorite Monterey County Wine

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

Bernardus Pon launched his namesake winery in Cachagua a quarter-century ago, and it has since become synonymous with excellence. So it's no surprise that Pine Cone readers named it their overall favorite Monterey County wine, and specifically its Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc. Vineyard manager Matt Shea cultivates Bordeaux and Burgundy varietals, and winemaker Dean DeKorth and his team work to produce compelling vintages, year after year.

Best Monterey County Rosé

Dawn's Dream Winery — Tasting room at the NW corner of San Carlos and Seventh - 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday through Friday, noon to 7 p.m. Saturday - (831) 659-2649 - www.dawnsdreamwinery.com

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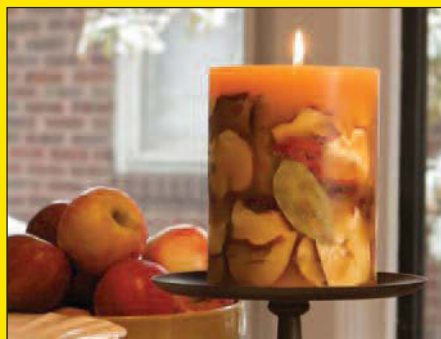
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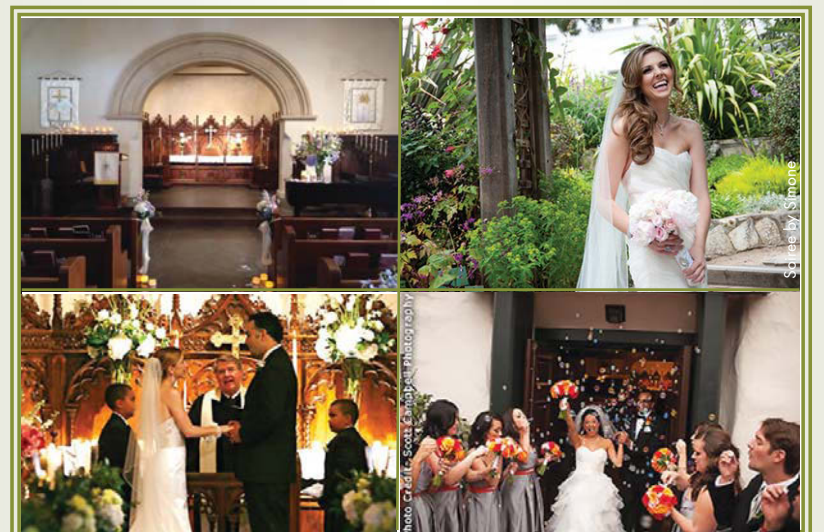
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wines distinctive from those of the Galante Vineyards brand of her husband. She sources grapes from several different growers, both local and farther afield, and among her most popular wines is the rosé of Pinot Noir, with its citrus notes and juicy hints of fresh berries. The wine is dry and crisp, perfect for a day on the beach or a picnic in the mountains.

■ Best Monterey County Pinot Noir

Silvestri Vineyards — *Seventh between San Carlos and Dolores – noon to 7 p.m. daily - (831) 625-0111 – www.silvestrivineyards.com*

In 1989, when composer Alan Silvestri moved his family from Los Angeles to Carmel and bought an old house, the family was inspired to take a chance on a new venture. And when they planted vines in the fertile land of Upper Carmel Valley, the Silvestris created their home in the wine industry. Since then, they have produced notable wines and are changing their lineup all the time, including a few creative blends. Their Pinot Noir is highly regarded for its balance and elegance.

■ Best Monterey County Merlot

Georis Winery — *4 Pilot Road, Carmel Valley – Sunday through Friday, 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. - (831) 659-1050 – www.georiswine.com*

The Georis family produces wine from a 20-acre estate vineyard in Cachagua, Established in 1982, Georis wines reflect its regional terroir and microclimate, and wine-

maker Damien Georis uses his classical training in European winemaking traditions to take advantage of the new contemporary technology. The wines have complexity, elegance and finesse, and the Merlot is no exception: rich, balanced and long in the finish.

■ Best Tasting Room ■ Best Monterey County Cabernet Sauvignon

Galante Vineyards — *18181 Cachagua Road, Carmel Valley, tasting room at Dolores between Ocean and Seventh – noon to 6 p.m. daily - (831) 624-3800 – www.galantevineyards.com*

The Galante family has a long and significant history in the Monterey Peninsula. Owner Jack Galante's great-grandfather, J. Frank Devendorf, was one of the founders of Carmel, a place known for its scenic beauty, festivity and creativity. So it makes sense the Galante credo is to grow the finest grapes possible and let the fruit express itself in the wine. Galante's estate-grown grapes in Cachagua produce award-winning wines, most notably premier Cabernet Sauvignon, with its dry tannins, black pepper and a note of ripe cherry. The tasting room was one of the first in Carmel and is always welcoming, casual and fun.

■ Best Desserts ■ Best Family Restaurant

Rosine's Restaurant — *434 Alvarado Street, Monterey - Sunday to Thursday, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday - (831) 375-1400 - www.rosinesmonterey.com*

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People may come for the great diversity of house-made, family friendly food, but the glass case, which enthalls guests at the door, reveals why they have no problem lingering in line as they study shelves laden with Rosine's award-winning six-layer cakes, peanut butter pie, chocolate mousse, cookies and other sweet indulgences. For 34 years, family-run Rosine's has been a Monterey gathering spot, attracting tourists and locals alike with its homespun service and sweets.

Best French Restaurant

Fifi's Café and Bistro — 1188 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove

Grove – Dinner from 5 p.m. nightly, lunch 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday and Friday only, and brunch 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunday – (831) 372-5325 – www.fifis-bistrocafe.com

This authentic French restaurant transports you to a bistro in France as soon as you walk through the door. Since 1985, Fifi's has consistently served quality French cuisine in a quaint, intimate setting. Elegant but informal, the restaurant owned by Calvin and Michele Wilkes is known for its moules frites, bouillabaisse, Escargots de Bourgogne, flavorful fish and exceptional wines.

Fifi's extensive list runs the gamut, and its wines are also offered for retail sale. The restaurant offers wine tasting on many weekends.

Best Chinese Restaurant

Tommy's Wok — Mission between Ocean and Seventh - 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday - (831) 624-8518 - www.tommyswokcarmel.com

It's lively and always busy — and the food its chefs turn out is fresh and of great quality. That's why Tommy's Wok, Carmel's only Chinese restaurant, often has a line out the door. Tommy's serves up a menu of Szechuan, Hunan and Mandarin specialties and has fostered a devoted following in town over the years. While popular for takeout, guests also tuck in to the tiny dining room to dive into their selections from Tommy's extensive menu. Quality cooking and extreme efficiency make it all work.

Best Indian Restaurant

Ambrosia India Bistro — 565 Abrego St., Monterey - 11:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. daily, and until 10 p.m. Saturday and Sunday - (831) 641-0610 - www.ambrosiaib.com

While there are plenty of enticing offerings on the menu, the weekday lunch buffet has become legendary for its delicious food and great value. Chef Bhupender Singh serves authentically flavorful Indian food in an attractive atmosphere on Abrego Street, the site of the former Clock Garden Restaurant. Ambrosia's menu offers plentiful and diverse vegetarian specialties as well as chicken, lamb and seafood entrees. Business folks on break, locals and visitors become regulars at Ambrosia to enjoy lunch or dinner inside, or on the patio by the warmth of the outdoor fireplace.

Best Italian Restaurant

Best Restaurant in Carmel

La Balena Cucina Toscana — Junipero Street between Fifth and Sixth avenues, Carmel - Tuesday to Sunday, 5 to 10 p.m., lunch Saturday and Sunday, 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. - (831) 250-6295 - www.labalenacarmel.com

La Balena means "The Whale," in reference to the Italian fable, "Pinocchio," (and its new sister restaurant, Il Grillo, means "The Cricket"), and the restaurant is just as charming as the tale. With chef Brad Briske at the helm in the tiny kitchen, La Balena offers a daily seasonal menu based on local ingredients and hand-crafted pasta. Its farm-to-table style is honest and abundant, with Briske shopping at farmers markets and getting meats from local growers. Tucked into a courtyard, the restaurant includes a charming, lush and intimate back patio, as well as al fresco dining in the front, and a diminutive dining room within. Meal after meal, La Balena never disappoints, and its menu is always changing, keeping customers — and the kitchen — interested and engaged.

Best Sushi (tie)

Akaoni — Mission Street between Fifth and Sixth avenues - Tuesday through Sunday, 5:30 to 8:45 p.m., lunch Thursday through Sunday, 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. - (831) 620-1516

For authentic sushi, Akaoni is simply unbeatable. The husband-and-wife team take their work, and their art, seriously, and it shows in every piece of sushi and every other dish produced at the impeccable bar and out of the tiny kitchen in the back. A tank behind the bar contains live spot prawns and other creatures, and guests can have the privilege of ordering unusual delicacies, like live sea urchin. The house-made tofu is silken and delicious, and everything is prepared impeccably. One note: Because it honors traditional Japanese sushi, guests looking for rolls containing macadamia nuts or cream cheese should go elsewhere.

Robata Grill & Sake Bar — The Barnyard Shopping Village, Carmel - Monday through Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 5 to 8:30 p.m., and until 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday - (831) 624-2643 - www.robata-grill.com

A favorite of visitors and locals for three decades, Robata turns out tasty and consistent Japanese fare, from teriyaki and nikumaki, to more than a dozen specialty rolls, as well as the classics like tekka maki. In a dark-wooded restaurant with fireplaces and bars, guests savor every bite, possibly while sipping one of the house cocktails, like the Kobe Breeze or any of more than a dozen sakes. For a convivial atmosphere, grab a seat at the bar, or for something more private and intimate, slide into one of the many booths. Robata has thrived since 1980 — for a reason.

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People flock to Dametra for the intimate setting, the delectable food, the lively music performed at any moment by anyone who works there, and the culture it all creates. Established by best friends Faisal Nimri and Bashar Sneeh, Dametra Café features an authentic Mediterranean feast of Greek, Italian, Spanish, Moroccan, Turkish, French, Israeli and Lebanese dishes. Nimri, from Jordan, and Sneeh, from Syria, have built their following on the concept of hospitality, greeting customers warmly and treating them like family. Dametra continues to be a locals' and visitors' favorite in part because everyone who walks through the door feels like he belongs there.

■ **Best Mexican Restaurant**

Baja Cantina — 7166 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley — Monday to Friday, 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. - (831) 625-2252 - www.carmelcantina.com

Some people come just for the margaritas and the music — or maybe to sample some of the rarest and most unusual tequilas on its extensive list. But plenty come out for the food, a wide and unexpected menu of fresh Mexican fare served fresh and with flair. Consider fresh fish tacos, organic garden tamales, mole enchiladas, or any other favorites. There are plenty of non-Mexican options, too. Baja Cantina is more than a Mexican restaurant — it's a place where friends meet and strangers become friends — and is particularly popular among car guys and gals, since owner Pat Phinny shares much of his abundant collection of automobile and motorcycle memorabilia there. Whether gathered around the signature central bar or on the patio, where fire pits keep folks warm and music often ignites a party, guests come to Baja for fun.

■ **Best Thai Restaurant**

Pacific Thai Cuisine - 663 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove - 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, open at 11:30 a.m. Saturday and Sunday - (831) 646-8424 - www.pacificthaicuisine.com

In a restaurant founded on the motto, "We are Thai Family," the owners of Pacific Thai Cuisine serve up family recipes with distinctive Thai flavors and textures. Located in the heart of Pacific Grove, Pacific Thai offers great food at great prices in a casual setting that's welcoming to everyone. Chef specials include Gina's fried calamari with Thai dipping sauce, coconut milk artichoke soup and other creations, while mainstays like Pad Thai and an array of green, red, yellow and Panang curries are always good choices.

- **Best Restaurant for Seafood**
- **Best Restaurant in Pacific Grove**

Passionfish — 701 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove - From 5 p.m. daily - (831) 655-3311 - www.passionfish.net

When Ted and Cindy Walter decided to open their restaurant just a few blocks from the beach in Pacific Grove, they aimed to create food that was pure and simple and really, really good. Two decades later, the name, Passionfish, seems more accurate and inspired than ever, given their involvement in sustainable fisheries and other environmental causes, all while producing consistently beautiful, delicious and elegant food out of their Lighthouse Avenue eatery. They source ingredients from small farms, farmers markets and sustainable fisheries, and are generous in their support of local non-profits and causes.

■ **Best Restaurant for Steak (tie)**

Grasing's Coastal Cuisine — Sixth and Mission, Carmel - Lunch, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; dinner, 5 p.m. to 9

p.m., lounge open 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily, open at 10:30 a.m. Saturday and Sunday - (831) 624-6562 - www.grasings.com

Chef/owner Kurt Grasing can always be relied on to produce perfect steaks in a wide range of cuts at his eponymous Grasing's Coastal Cuisine. Chop House Favorites are USDA Prime steaks from Nebraska, including a 16-ounce, bone-in rib-eye, milk-fed veal chop and a prime-natural New York. Classic steakhouse sides include creamed spinach, mac 'n' cheese, leek rings and baked potato. And you can always get a specialty salad, classic cocktail and decadent dessert at Grasing's to round out the feast.

Will's Fargo Steakhouse + Bar — 16 W. Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley - Dinner from 4:30 p.m. nightly, with brunch available on weekends Memorial Day through Labor Day - (831) 659-2774 - www.wfrestaurant.com

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to have a glass case near the front of the restaurant that was full of cuts of beef, from which guests selected which one, exactly, they wanted prepared for their dinner. Today, the glass case is long gone, but the superlative steaks persist, with a wide range of cuts and preparations available to discerning diners. Will's also offers a spectacular Cobb Salad, baked potatoes with all the trimmings, and specialties that tap into executive chef Jerome Viel's French heritage, like buttery escargot. Add to all that a classic bar with fantastic cocktails, and it's hard to pass up an evening at Will's, which also offers a great Happy Hour.

Best Restaurant for Vegetarians

Tillie Gort's Cafe — 111 Central Ave., Pacific Grove - 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily - (831) 373-0335 - www.tilliegortscafe.com

Vegetarians were just coming out of the closet in 1969 when Gil Tortellini opened his nick-namesake restaurant. Since then, Tillie Gort's has remained the Monterey Peninsula's indisputable favorite for vegetarian food. Two fresh soups are offered daily, and the cafe's menu offers classic and new vegetarian, vegan and organic options (including gluten-free cakes for dessert) — many with a Brazilian twist. Most people are aware of Tillie Gort's vegetarian cuisine, but everyone knows about their legendary black-bottom cupcakes. And there's plenty on the menu for non-vegetarians to enjoy in the restaurant's 1970s-style coffeehouse atmosphere.

Best BBQ

Little Chicken House — 1193 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove - 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Saturday, 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday - (831) 655-1704

It's not fancy, but it's not supposed to be, because it's barbecue. Little Chicken House

is a perennial favorite because its BBQ pits turn out tasty, tender chicken and fall-off-the-bone ribs time after time. BBQ chicken, ribs, beef brisket, turkey and pork — and even a hamburger — are on the menu. Traditional country sides of salad, slaw, corn bread, mashed potatoes, French fries, beans, garlic bread, mac 'n' cheese and other options round out the menu. Call ahead to pick up and take home some unbeatable ribs at the end of a busy day or on a lazy Sunday.

Best Sandwich or Burger

r.g. Burgers — 201 The Crossroads, Carmel, and 570 Munras Ave., Monterey (next to Trader Joe's) — 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. daily, and until 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday in Carmel; 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily, and until 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday in Monterey - (831) 626-8054, (831) 372-4930 - www.rgburgers.com

R.G. stands for Real Good, and that refers to the burgers. Hand-formed and char-grilled, they are always good with just a dollop of r.g. sauce and a little lettuce and tomato. But guests can also take the gourmet route by adding béarnaise sauce, bleu cheese, mushrooms, grilled onions, a dab of guacamole or jalapeño cheddar. And bacon. Lots of bacon. Customers aren't confined to beef, either, as they can choose ground turkey or chicken breast, or go veggie and order a falafel burger, instead. Go for the seasoned fries and a thick, rich milkshake, made with four scoops of real ice cream in several indulgent flavors, to make for a superlatively satisfying feast.

Best Breakfast

Katy's Place — Mission between Fifth and Sixth, Carmel - 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily - (831) 624-0199 - www.katysplacecarmel.com

For a great breakfast on a weekend morning

in town, look for the place where hungry patrons are lined up outside and the deck is full of chattering guests. A Carmel tradition since 1982, Katy's Place is a country kitchen that's most famous for its whopping 16 varieties of eggs Benedict and eight ways to eat waffles, but it also serves delectable blintzes with fresh berries, Katy cakes and Swedish pancakes, biscuits and gravy, and basics like eggs and bacon. And for those who like to sleep in, Katy's serves breakfast daily until 2 p.m.

Best Coffee

Best Coffeehouse

Carmel Valley Coffee Roasting Co. — Roasting facility at 212 Mid Valley Center, Carmel Valley, with retail locations on Ocean Avenue in Carmel, The Barnyard Shopping Village, The Crossroads Shopping Village, Lighthouse Avenue in Pacific Grove, and the City Center at Broadway and Fremont in Seaside - Hours vary by location, but generally open between 6 and 7 a.m. - See www.carmelcoffee.com for locations, hours and contact phone numbers

Coffee is an important part of the culture of Carmel, and Dean and Janet McAthie, owners of the Carmel Valley Coffee Roasting Co., understand that. They also know their coffeehouses have to be more than a great place to gather, so they've made each location unique as well as inviting. Roast master Tina Muia slow roasts Arabica beans in two 25-pound San Franciscan batch roasters that offer constant feedback on the sight, sound and smell of the beans while they're roasting, allowing for a delicate and perfect touch. CVCRC's signature blend is the organic Foglifter, but the coffee roaster also provides several other roasts and blends, as well as a

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— it's inspired by island living, after all — Hula's is always bustling with business, and a big reason for that is the fantastic Happy Hour.

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Best Ice Cream

Cold Stone Creamery — 1470 Del Monte Center, Monterey - Daily from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., and until 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday - (831) 649-1346 - www.coldstone-creamery.com

When it comes to ice cream, the folks at Cold Stone Creamery clearly know a thing or two, considering the success they've had with their franchises all over the country. In each store, ice cream is made fresh every day, churned from the finest ingredients and waiting to be mixed with the customer's choice of candy, cakes, fruits or nuts on a frozen granite stone — hence the name.

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La Piccola Casa — 212 17th St., Pacific Grove - Monday and Tuesday, 6:30 to 11:30 a.m., Wednesday through Sunday, 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. - (831) 373-0129 - www.joerombi.com

At his charming little café and restaurant in the heart of Pacific Grove, restaurateur Joe Rombi ensures everyone's desires for classic Italian comfort food are met. While famous for spaghetti and meatballs, La Piccola Casa also serves 10-inch pizzas in flavors like Quarto Formaggio, Crazy for Mushrooms, and The Godfather, with Italian sausage, meatball, onions, pepperoni, sautéed bell peppers and mozzarella. They're affordable, too, ranging from \$10.75 to \$13.95 per pie.

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Best New Restaurant

Il Grillo — Mission between Fourth and Fifth, Carmel - Monday through Friday, 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday, 5 to 9 p.m. - (831) 238-9608 - www.ilgrillocarmel.com

Opened in June after much anticipation, Il Grillo is the newest restaurant venture by Emanuele and Anna Bartolini, who also own La Balena, winner of this year's Golden Pine Cones for Best Italian Restaurant and Best Restaurant in Carmel. Chef Brad Briske is at the helm in both kitchens, and Il Grillo specializes in small plates inspired by carpaccio, several house-made pastas (including gnocchi and a gluten-free noodle) that can be served with any of about a half-dozen

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saucers, a few main courses like whole fish, and sweet treats. The wine list is predominantly Italian and accessible, and the restaurant has a small indoor seating area and several tables on its enclosed patio.

■ Best Place to Take Clients

Tarpy's Roadhouse — 2999 Monterey-Salinas Highway, Monterey - Daily from 11:30 a.m. for lunch and dinner, and Sunday brunch - (831) 647-1444 - www.tarpys.com

The restaurant in this 1917 roadhouse boasts creative cuisine, much of it cooked over a wood-burning grill that provides fantastic flavors for wild game, fresh seafood and prime steaks. Set on five landscaped acres, the building's multiple rooms, patios and gardens offer prime spots for confabulating over a table full of well prepared, interesting and satisfying dishes and drinks. Tarpy's also has seven private and semi-private rooms for banquets, meetings and celebrations. And sometimes, the comfortable bar, with its backed chairs and two- and four-top pub tables, is the perfect place to go with a client — or to decompress afterward. An award-winning wine list and knowledgeable staff help ensure a pleasurable experience, for business or pleasure.

■ Most Romantic Restaurant

■ Best Wine List

Casanova — Fifth Avenue between Mission and San Carlos, Carmel - Daily, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5 to 10 p.m., and until 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday - (831) 625-0501 - www.casanova-restaurant.com

With its nooks and crannies, old-world style, intimate rooms, festive decorations and attentive service, Casanova combines elegance and hospitality with culinary innovation, providing a lovely place for a first date or a special evening out for couples long in love. It's elegant but not fancy, and expensive but not exclusive, with an extensive and well appointed wine list presided over by advance-level sommelier and certified wine educator Jeff Birkemeier. This year, Casanova was nominated for the James Beard Award for Outstanding Wine Program, and the wine list is a point of pride for the wine-savvy Georis family — as is the food, which changes often but is always top-shelf.

■ Most Dog-Friendly Restaurant

Cypress Inn — Lincoln and Seventh, Carmel - Daily, 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. lunch, 5 to 10 p.m. dinner, noon to 3 p.m. for afternoon tea Friday and Saturday, bar open daily noon to 11 p.m., and until midnight Friday and Saturday - (800) 443-7443 - www.cypress-inn.com or www.carmelterryst.com

Considering it's co-owned by consummate dog lover Doris Day, it's no surprise that Pine Cone readers who prefer to dine with their dogs would choose Cypress Inn and Terry's Lounge as the Most Dog-Friendly Restaurant. Serving lunch and dinner daily, as well as cocktails well into the evening, Terry's allows guests to bring their canine companions to the table either in the lounge on the

short side of the bar or on the outdoor patio. And during High Tea in the living room, pets can order from their own special menu, offered on an elegant tray just for Fido. Smartly, for those who might want to dine away from the dog fur and occasional yips, no dogs are allowed in the main bar and dining room. Custom cocktails prepared by talented bartenders and superlative food, including a dynamite steak salad, ensure people and pets are beyond pleased.

■ Best Buffet

Crazy Horse — 1425 Munras Ave., Monterey, in the Bay Park Hotel - Daily, 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. - (831) 649-4771 - www.crazyhorserestaurant.com

When looking for choice in a buffet, it's difficult to do better than the Crazy Horse Restaurant, which makes even the most die-hard carnivore happy to graze at a salad bar. In addition to the abundant salad and veggies, the buffet includes several prepared salads, shrimp curried rice, salami, ham, roasted turkey, homemade soup, baked potato bar, hard-boiled eggs, grilled chicken, rolls and three-seed bread, and frozen yogurt. All that goes for just \$11.95 per person, with as many repeat trips as desired.

■ Best Brunch

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■ Best Piano Bar

Mission Ranch — 26270 Dolores St., Carmel - Dinner

nightly from 5 p.m., Sunday Jazz Brunch 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. - (831) 625-9040 - www.missionranchcarmel.com

Mission Ranch restaurant, with its casual cuisine, full bar and popular patio in the twilight hours and during brunch, is perhaps best known for the piano bar, which features local favorites at the keyboard and just about anyone with a sense of song. Owned by former Carmel Mayor Clint Eastwood, the restaurant offers a special Sunday brunch, and a savory dinner in the dining room or out on the deck. Equipped with heaters for those chilly coastal evenings, the venue offers sweeping views of pastures with grazing sheep — keep an eye out for the black one — the lagoon and an arc of white sand. The weekly Champagne brunch features abundant choices of hot and cold dishes, an omelet bar, sweets and pastries; in short, practically anything anyone could want. And you can always take a walk on the beach after you eat!

■ Best Restaurant in Big Sur

Ventana Inn and Spa — 48123 Highway 1, Big Sur - Daily, 7:30 to 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and 6 to 9 p.m. - (831) 667-2331 - www.ventanainn.com

With its spectacular views of the Big Sur Coast, casual elegance and distinctive ambiance, The Restaurant at Ventana offers unique and creative dishes made with locally sourced, sustainably grown ingredients. The culinary team creates menus that reflect classic American flavors and influences, and contemporary California cuisine. The four-course Chef's

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Best Restaurant in Carmel Valley

Café Rustica — 10 Del Fino Place - Tuesday to Sunday, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 5 to 8:30 p.m. - (831) 659-4444 - www.caferrusticavillage.com

Rustic: casual, unfussy, more country than city, more rough than refined. Though it's Carmel Valley Village casual, Café Rustica is often a celebration destination, and its European country feel is expressed not only in its décor, but in a menu that boasts the best of California and Mediterranean cuisine. The fresh local produce and house-made soups, thin-crust wood-fired pizzas and unique pastas make owner Julien Belliard's restaurant one of the busiest in the valley. Nowhere else will you find "Alsatian dishes enhanced with Tuscan flavors" on the menu. Whether eating indoors or in the warmth of the heated patio, it's always a pleasure to dine at Rustica.

Best Restaurant in Pebble Beach

Roy's — The Inn at Spanish Bay, 2700 17 Mile Drive - Daily, 6:30 to 11 a.m., 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., 5:30 to 10 p.m. - (831) 647-7423 - www.pebblebeach.com

At Roy's, the atmosphere is contemporary and casual, ideal for intimate dining or substantial celebration. Roy's Hawaiian-fusion

cuisine is flavorful and eye-catching, as well as creative. Celebrity chef Roy Yamaguchi is known for his innovation and use of tantalizing flavors, and at his Pebble Beach outlet, award-winning chef de cuisine Pablo Mellin adds his own special touches and dedication to freshness, not to mention a dose of warmth and hospitality. Fresh seafood in the forms of sushi, sashimi, blackened ahi and crab-crusted sea bass are most prominent on the menu, but anyone craving beef would be more than happy with Roy's ginger-scallion encrusted New York Steak and charred garlic honey-mustard beef short ribs. And up 'til sunset, the views of the Pebble Beach coastline and golf course at The Inn at Spanish Bay are a perfect complement to the cuisine.

Best Restaurant for a Special Occasion Best Bartender

The Sardine Factory/Big Mike Kolpazik — 701 Wave St., Monterey - Daily, 5 to 10:30 p.m., and until 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday - (831) 373-3775 - www.sardinefactory.com

Fond of noting that they were "on the wrong side of the tracks" when they decided to invest in distressed property on Cannery Row decades ago, Ted Balestreri and Bert Cutino put their faith and hope in the fact people needed a place to go where the food was fresh and plentiful. The captivating Sardine Factory, famously featured in Clint Eastwood's "Play Misty for Me," looks and feels like a dress-up, special-occasion spot — and it is. The Sardine Factory has made fine dining a tradition for more than 45 years, with award-winning chefs preparing fresh, sustainable seafood and USDA prime and dry-aged beef. The restaurant is also a frequent winner of the Wine Spectator's

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Award of Excellence. In the bar, meanwhile, longtime (as in, more than four decades) bartender Big Mike Kolpazik mixes up a mean selection of custom cocktails, along with the classics — always with a flourish and with a wry smile that makes locals feel like they’ve got the inside track and visitors feel like they’ve found a home bar away from home.

- Best Restaurant Service
- Best Chef

Lucia Restaurant/Cal Stamenov/Bernardus Lodge — 415 W. Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley — 7 to 11 a.m., 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., 5 to 9 p.m., bar open 2:30 to 10 p.m. - (831) 658-3400 - www.bernarduslodge.com

Reopened in April after much anticipation, the new Lucia Restaurant & Bar, which replaced Marinus Restaurant and Wickets Bistro, debuted in the remodeled Bernardus Lodge. And though the look and feel of the place, with its modern-rustic elements, new outdoor dining at the front of the lodge and other changes, are new, executive chef Cal Stamenov’s cooking remains as precise, elegant and on point as ever. He’s revamped the menu and launched specials like the phenomenal fried chicken and brisket deal on Wednesdays, while maintaining the special feel and flavors that make his cooking, and his restaurant, so special. A substantial part of the overall draw is the service, of course, and those who work at Lucia are attentive, helpful and knowledgeable, without ever being obtrusive. In short, a perfect experience, all around.

■ Best Restaurant in Monterey

Montrio Bistro — 414 Calle Principal, Monterey — Daily, from 4:30 p.m. - (831) 648-8880 - www.montrio.com

Creative cuisine with European and American influences served in a historical Monterey firehouse that includes a fabulous bar, paired with exceptional service, explains why Montrio is Monterey’s best restaurant, according to discerning Pine Cone readers. A downtown bistro with big-city ambiance, Montrio is always bustling, from the popular Happy Hour at the bar, where mixologist Anthony Vitacca creates incredible cocktails, to the busy dining room, where chef/co-owner Tony Baker’s sophisticated comfort food always makes an impression. Whether grabbing a quick drink and a bite at the bar, or settling in for a leisurely evening with friends complemented by great food and wine, guests are sure to be satisfied.

■ Best Restaurant in Sand City

Sweet Elena’s — 465 Olympia Ave., Sand City — Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. - (831) 393-2063 - www.sweetelenas.net. Since 1992, Elena Salsedo-Steele’s has pleased taste buds with delicious pies, pastries, breads, cookies and other treats from her artisan bakery, where everything is made from scratch and sold fresh. A little hidden among the warehouses-turned-art studios and body shops, the bakery café is a bright beacon once it’s discovered. Its simple, homey furniture is complemented by rotating displays of colorful, expressive art, and Salsedo-Steele makes her own art in the bakery, turning out beautiful breakfast items, desserts and other goods. She also sells homemade granola, cookies and gift items.

■ Best Restaurant in Seaside

Baan Thai — 1760 Fremont Blvd., Seaside - Monday through Friday, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., 5 to 9 p.m., Saturday, noon to 9 p.m. - (831) 394-2996 - www.baan-thaiseaside.com

A locals’ favorite soon after Bangkok native Tasani Anderson opened the restaurant in 1997, Baan Thai is known for its authentic, affordable and fresh Thai cuisine. Translated, its name means, “Thai House,” and that’s what Surut and June

Somboonsam — Anderson’s son and daughter-in-law, who took over the restaurant in 1998 — strive for: giving their customers genuine Thai cuisine and hospitality. The couple and their staff treat guests like family and want them to feel at home. Lunch specials are hard to beat in value and quality, and Baan Thai is the perfect place to take a fun group that likes to share, so everyone gets a sample of the wide range of flavors and dishes available.

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A name synonymous with fine-art photography, the Westons are among the world's most accomplished photographers, and this eponymous gallery embodies their legacy. In addition to presenting the work of the Edward Weston and his sons, Cole and Brett, the gallery features the photographs of Ansel Adams, the late Carmel Highlands resident who may be the most famous of all fine-art photographers.

■ Best Sculpture Gallery

Richard MacDonald-Dawson Cole Fine Art — Corner of Lincoln and Sixth – 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Mon. to Sat., 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Sun. (800) 972-5528 – www.richardmacdonald.com

Before Michelangelo sculpted David, he drew him many times, inspired by his strength and courage, his heart and his hands, and then studied him, in all his forms that had come before. "Anatomy is but one element," says world-renowned figurative sculptor Richard MacDonald. "My intent is to render things to the point of expression and, hopefully, not go one moment beyond. When you walk out of my gallery, I want you to feel the level of excellence, the honesty and integrity, and the emotion of each sculpture; the single thread that moves through them."

■ Best Art Gallery

Carmel Art Association — West side of Dolores between Fifth and Sixth - 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily - (831) 624-6176 - www.carmelart.org

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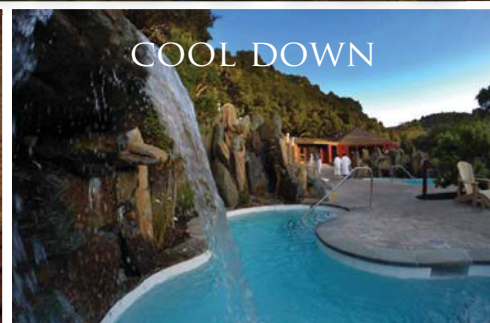


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■ Best Local Theater Company

PacRep Theatre — Monte Verde and Eighth - (831) 622-0100 (box office) - www.pacrep.org

More than more than 20 years after establishing what is now the Pacific Repertory Theater (PacRep), founder Stephen Moorer remains committed to its historical presence, its growth and development, and to producing quality theater of the people, by the people, for the people of this community – and beyond. “Theater has always been for the people,” says Moorer. “The groundlings fill the seats. Peter Pan flying around is for the people. This organization was started by artists and has always been run by artists, with equal right- and left-brain skills, who know how to create theater on a dime. It takes time to keep a cultural organization afloat, but we’ll be here for a while.”

■ Best Concert Venue

Sunset Center — San Carlos between Eighth and Ninth - (831) 620-2048 - www.sunsetcenter.org

For decades, Sunset Center has been at the heart of Carmel’s thriving performing arts scene. Yet a \$21.4 million renovation in 2002 elevated the status of what was built in the 1920s as a grammar school to a world-class concert hall. Executive director Christine Sandin, who took the helm in 2011, has specialized in bringing diverse and colorful acts to the theater, also home to the Carmel Bach Festival, the Monterey Symphony, Chamber Music Monterey Bay and the Carmel Music Society. The center also is home to Carmel Yoga Center, the Arts Council for Monterey County, and the Center for Photographic Art.

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The food is good, the ambiance is special, and the provenance of Doris Day and Dennis LeVett’s Cypress Inn is legendary. But none of that means anything to the canines that congregate in the most dog-friendly hotel in town. Whether gathering for lunch or dinner at Terry’s Restaurant & Lounge, cocktails at the bar, or afternoon tea on the patio, slip into the

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music, led by music director and conductor Max Bragado-Darman. The majestic music of Richard Wagner highlights this program with "Siegfried's Rhine Journey," an orchestral excerpt from the fourth installment of the epic Ring cycle, *Götterdämmerung*. "The Monterey Symphony is a unique orchestra," says Maestro Bragado-Darman. "I am proud of the artistic excellence of our musicians. Our orchestra is the gem of the Central Coast of California, and I feel privileged to be its artistic leader."

■ Best Local Music Group (rock, jazz and pop)

The Money Band — 316 Mid Valley Center - (858) 752-3590 - www.moneyband.org

When word gets out that the Money Band is playing, customers turn into crowds, creating standing room only, which is okay since no one wants to sit down. Perhaps the most popular cover band on the Monterey Peninsula, fronted by dynamic lead vocalist Zoe Alexander, the Money Band plays every style from country to classic rock, disco to funk, reggae to modern rock and plenty of pop. No matter the eras of their music or the ages of their audience, everything old is new again. We're putting our money on this one. Apparently, so is everyone else.

■ Best Place to Take Visitors ■ My Favorite Park

Point Lobos State Natural Reserve — West side of Highway 1 about 3 miles south of Carmel Valley Road - 8 a.m. to 30 min. after sunset - (831) 624-4909 - www.pointlobos.org

Noted for its dramatic, rocky coastline and dense groves of Monterey pines and Monterey cypress, the Reserve features miles of walking paths that lead to stunning sea vistas, secluded picnic spots and sandy beaches. Established as a state reserve in 1933, Point Lobos, named for the offshore rocks at Punta de los Lobos Marinos, or Point of the Sea Wolves, where the sound of sea lions carries inland, has become a haven for hikers and outdoor enthusiasts. A museum pays tribute to its fascinating legacy as a whaling center, and also has some interesting exhibits about Hollywood movies made in the area.

■ Best Local Festival

Carmel Bach Festival — NW Corner of 10th and Mission - (831) 624-1521 - www.bachfestival.org

Alongside the theme of "Bach Inspires," next year's 78th Season of the Carmel Bach Festival will celebrate the 100th anniversary of Carmel-by-the-Sea, offering a wide variety of chamber music, vocal and solo music as well as orchestral show pieces and open rehearsals. In 2016, the festival's return to opera will continue with Mozart, and the adventures of Leonard and Rasmus will, once again, inform the children's concert. Every year, as this world-class festival plays into the rhythms of community life throughout the third and fourth weeks of July, classical music emanates from Sunset Theater, the Church in the Forest, San Carlos Cathedral, Carmel Mission and All Saints Church. The festival, an alchemy of traditional and progressive approaches to classical music, remains the favorite festival among townspeople and tourists.

■ Best Church-Sponsored Event

Jewish Food Festival — 5716 Carmel Valley Road — (831) 624-2015 — www.carmelbethisrael.org

People wait all year for a taste of rugelach — that small swirl of flaky pastry wrapped round chocolate or cinnamon and sugar. Or freshly made latkes, homemade challah bread, and the creamiest cheesecake west of New York. Every year, on the last Sunday in August, a village springs up on the grounds of Congregation Beth Israel in Carmel, conjuring the fictional 1905 Anatevka from *Fiddler on the Roof*. Represented by traditional Jewish costumes and rituals, music and dance, food and drink, the village harkens congregants to their heritage and the culture that reminds them who they are and what they represent.

■ Best Place to Watch the Sunset ■ Best Place to Walk Your Dog ■ Best Beach

Carmel Beach — Foot of Ocean Ave. and west side of Scenic Road.

The arc of white sand framing the flat or frothy sea is perfect for strolling or sprinting, making sand castles or sunbathing. Kids and canines run free, chasing shorebirds or each other. Surfers bob just past the break, awaiting their ride into shore. The cypress-sheltered beach is an ideal location to take in the sunlit skies, and then wait and watch for the signature green flash just as the sun sinks into the horizon. Located just down the hill from town and in the lee of Pebble Beach, it offers a generous slice of California coastline that reaches from Carmel Point to the scenic greens of the famous Pebble Beach Golf Links. Carmel Beach is everything the postcard promised.

■ Best Hiking Trail

Garland Ranch Regional Park — 700 W. Carmel Valley Road, nearly 9 miles east of Highway 1, Carmel Valley - www.mprpd.org

Less than 10 miles from the seashore, the weather warms up, the mountains rise, and the great Carmel Valley ushers in pedestrians and equestrians to commune with the silent sanctuary of pristine nature. Garland Ranch Regional Park encompasses more than 4,400 acres and features miles of hiking trails. A vast network of paths climbs more than 2,000 feet, exploring shady creeks and leading to dazzling, sun-drenched vistas. The park is managed by the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District, which doesn't charge an entry fee but somehow manages to keep trails in top condition. Perhaps part of it is a reverence among guests, who become partners in preserving the park.

■ Best Bicycle Shop

Bay Bikes — 3600 The Barnyard Shopping Village and 585 Cannery Row, Monterey — 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mon. to Thurs., Fri. and Sat. 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sun. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. - (831) 624-RIDE (7433) - www.baybikes.com

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■ **Best Fitness/Health Center**

Carmel Valley Athletic Club — 27300 Rancho San Carlos Road, Carmel Valley - Mon. to Fri., 5:30 a.m. to 10 p.m., and Sat. to Sun., 6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. - (831) 624-2737 - www.cvaconline.com

Carmel Valley Athletic Club, which honors its heritage as a racquet club with its traditional tennis program, is a multifaceted fitness facility. In addition to its cardio, weight and spin-bike rooms, the club offers a fantastic array of fitness programs, including yoga, Pilates, Zumba, NIA dance, Body Pump and other classes led by experienced instructors and personal trainers. The club also hosts a beautiful pool and its European-inspired hydrothermal relaxation spa, Refuge. With its rough-wood architecture, lofty ceilings, crackling fireplace and living room lounge, the lobby looks like a ski lodge, and is where members gather for wine tastings and other events.

■ **Best Martial Arts Studio**

American Karate — 182 Country Club Gate, Pacific Grove - 3:30 to 9 p.m. Mon. to Fri., 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Sat. - (831) 372-5425 - www.americankaratemonterey.com

American Karate of Monterey teaches students of all ages but specializes in children's programs. Starting as early as age 3, kids can learn coordination and self control through the martial arts. "At American Karate, we strive to develop the body, mind and spirit through rigorous training," says owner Matt Durney. "We have all kinds of students, and everyone is welcome at our dojo." Durney offers a free week of karate lessons and a free month of cardio-kickboxing for new clients.

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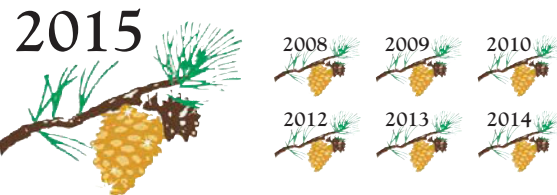
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■ Best Yoga Studio

Carmel Yoga Center — San Carlos and 10th - (831) 624-4949 - www.yogacentercarmel.com

Originating in India more than 2,000 years ago, the ancient practice of yoga teaches students, through a series of poses and breathing techniques, how to reduce stress and increase strength and flexibility. Since 1989, Kathleen Karachale's Yoga Center of Carmel has presented a wide range of yoga classes for all students, regardless of experience. Conveniently located at Sunset Center, the center offers daily classes, weekend workshops and training for teachers, led by Karachale and her staff of certified instructors.

■ Best Golf Course

Pebble Beach Golf Links — 1700 17 Mile Drive, Pebble Beach - Hours vary by season - (831) 622-8723 - www.pebblebeach.com

Even those who have only seen it on television would probably vote for it. Designed by Jack Neville and Douglas Grant, the course hugs the rugged coastline, providing wide-open vistas, cliff-side fairways and sloping greens. Since 1919, the exquisite beauty and unique dynamics of the Pebble Beach Golf Links have challenged and thrilled golfers and their spectators. The famed course has been the site of golf's most prestigious tournaments, including the annual AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am, and the upcoming U.S. Open Championship in 2019. Pebble Beach Golf Links also

include chipping and putting greens, the Peter Hay par-3 golf course and a practice range.

■ Best Museum

Monterey Museum of Art — 559 Pacific St., Monterey - Wed. to Sat., 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sun., 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. - (831) 372-5477 - www.montereyart.org

Founded in Carmel as a chapter of the American Federation of Arts in 1959, its mission is to inspire appreciation of the evolving California artistic legacy and to expand a passion for the visual arts. The Monterey Museum of Art, with its eight galleries of American artwork, remains the leading visual arts organization in Monterey County. The museum is distinguished by its exceptional permanent collection, vibrant exhibitions, and engaging educational programs. The strengths of the collection include early California painting, photography, and modern and contemporary art. The museum welcomes all visitors to connect with art and to learn about the enduring artistic significance of the Monterey region.

■ Best Inn/B&B

Green Gables Inn — 301 Ocean View Blvd., Pacific Grove - (831) 372-2095 - www.greengablesinnpg.com

Built by a British engineer and amateur architect in 1888, this gracious multi-gabled Victorian overlooking the sea served as a residence, a source of refuge and a summer home until 1983 when its proprietors, the Post family, dedicated it to year-round guest quarters. More than 30 years later, guests still feel like family, as they enjoy comfortable rooms; fresh, hot breakfasts; and that same beautiful bay view. Located just steps from the coastal recreation trail, Green Gables guests can enjoy an afternoon stroll by the sea, followed by a taste of wine and cheese and freshly baked sweet treats.

■ Best Hotel

La Playa Carmel — Camino Real and Eighth, Carmel - (800) 582-8900 - www.laplayahotel.com

Designed in complement to the Carmel Mission, La Playa was built in 1905 as a private mansion by artist Christian Jorgensen for his wife, heir to the Ghirardelli fortune. Its elegant Mediterranean architecture played gracious host to many prominent guests until the 1920s when The Grande Dame was converted to a boutique hotel. Although the property has been upgraded and expanded considerably over the years, its ambience has remained true to its historic nature as an intimate inn of the hamlet by the sea.

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Michael Merritt's floral designs have appeared in Washington, D.C., at the De Young Museum in San Francisco, and all over the world. He combines flowers and traditional greenery with unusual materials and plants (asparagus, anyone?) to make works of floral art that are anything but ordinary.

■ Best Furniture Store

Mum's Place — *246 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove - Mon. to Sat. 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Sun., noon to 5 p.m. - (831) 372-6250 - www.mumsfurniture.com*

Eighty manufacturers, more than 5,000 fabrics and almost three decades of service make this a go-to spot for an accent piece or a whole home makeover. Let the experienced and friendly staff help you design your princess' dream bedroom, complete with canopy bed, or a home office fit for a mogul.

■ Best Golf Shop

Pebble Beach Pro Shop — *17 Mile Drive, Pebble Beach - 6 a.m. to sunset daily - (831) 622-8723 - www.pebblebeach.com*

A round of golf on an unforgettable course deserves the best possible equipment and advice, both of which can be found at the Pro Shop at Pebble Beach. Call to plan your day on the course and don't forget to stop in after your round to print your complimentary commemorative scorecard.

■ Best Hardware Store

Ace Hardware — *290 Crossroads Blvd. - (831) 293-8050; 229 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove - (831) 646-9144; 1136 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove - (831) 373-3284 (all at www.acehardware.com); and at 401 Mid Valley Center, Carmel Valley - (831) 250-5666 - www.scarboroughlumber.com*

There were so many Ace Hardware nominations that we decided just to go ahead and honor them all. Great hardware stores have great service, which is why you'll find savvy Pine Cone readers at one of the four locations shown, shopping outside the box. Call the store nearest you for hours.

■ Best Craft-Knitting-Quilting Shop

Monarch Knitting — *529 Central Ave., Ste. 4, Pacific Grove - Mon. to Sat., 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Sun., 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. - (831) 647-9276 - www.monarchknitting.com*

In case you haven't heard, knitting is hip. You're as likely to see a 20-something clicking away with a skein of yarn as a grandma. And forget itchy wool. You can get alpaca, silk and cotton, instead. Monarch's got classes to help you learn and groups to help you grow.

■ Best Pet Store

Diggidy Dog — *Ocean and Mission - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily - (831) 625-1585 - www.diggidydog.com*

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■ Best Garden Shop

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■ Best Camping/Skiing/Surfing Store

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Fri., 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Sun., 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. - (831) 883-8048 - www.rei.com

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■ Best Place to buy Athletic Wear

The Treadmill — *111 Crossroads Blvd. - Sun. to Fri., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sat., 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. - (831) 624-*

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For more than 30 years this family-run business has been fitting athletes from around the world with shoes, socks, clothing and accessories. Patience, understanding and good listening skills are hallmarks of their service, as they make every effort to match the person to just the right gear.

■ Best Pharmacy

Carmel Drug Store — *Ocean between Dolores and San Carlos - 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily - (831) 624-0441 - www.carmeldrugstore.com*

Back in 1910, locals picked up their milk at shrines, doctors made house calls and Carmel Drug Store began over a century of service to our village. It's seen the eradication of smallpox and the development of online hypochondria, and it's still here to serve you.

■ Best Camera/Photo Store

Green's Camera World/Green's Carmel Camera Center — *Fifth and San Carlos - Mon. to Sat., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sun., 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. - (831) 624-8880 - www.greencamera.com (Also at 555 Del Monte Center and 350 Main Street, Salinas.)*

Green's is thriving in the digital age. By adapting to customers' changing needs with services like ordering photo prints online, printing your photographic works of art onto canvas and transferring your treasured VHS tapes onto DVD, they continue to provide the service you've come to expect.

■ Best Toy Store

Thinker Toys — *San Carlos and Seventh, and Del Monte Center, Monterey - Mon. to Sat., 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sun., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. - (831) 624-0441 - www.thinker-toys.com*

If you need relief from the reign of the screens, look no further. Legos, Tinker Toys, jigsaw puzzles and all the other classics are here. The staff doesn't know — nor do they care — if you have children. Go ahead, get something for "the grandkids." No one will judge you.

■ Best Children's Clothing Store/Boutique

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■ Best Men's Clothing Store

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■ Best Men’s Shoe Store

Hedi’s — Ocean and Mission - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily - (831) 624-5580; and 3634 The Barnyard - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily - (831) 625-2055 - www.hedi.com

A walkable town deserves a good pair of shoes, and according to The Pine Cone’s readers, Hedi’s is the place to get them. With a wide variety of brand-name shoes, and exceptional service, it’s not hard to understand why. The staff gets extra-high marks from hard-to-fit customers.

■ Best Women’s Clothing Boutique

Adventure Apparel — Dolores Street at Ocean Avenue - Sun. to Thurs., 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Fri. and Sat., 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. - (831) 293-8205 - www.adventureapparel.us

Adventure Apparel doesn’t sound like a place you’d expect to pick up a cute little dress or pair of crop pants, but they’ve got them — in addition to all the outdoorsy duds and cozy sweaters you’d ever want. The Alaska-based company opened a branch here; now they call it “their second home.”

■ Best Women’s Accessories

■ Best Leather Goods Store

Augustina’s — Ocean and San Carlos - 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily - (831) 626-6353 - www.augustinaleathers.com

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■ Best Women's Shoe Store

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www.lloyds shoes.com

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■ Best Place to Buy Designer Clothes

Girl Boy Girl — Mission and Seventh - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily - (831) 626-3368 - www.facebook.com/girlboy-girlinc

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■ Best Vintage Clothing

Foxy Couture — San Carlos Ave. 2 NW of Seventh St. - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily - (831) 625-9995 - www.foxycouturecarmel.com

If you're looking for a gently-used Coco Chanel brooch or an Yves Saint Laurent blouse, Foxy's a good bet. They're also known for their designer handbags, including Hermes and Louis Vuitton. Why wear what everyone else is wearing,

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For diehard fans who want the full Apple experience, this place is the Garden of Eden. Equal parts art gallery and geek gallery, it's the place to get the latest and hippest creations — and to learn to use them.

Best Place for Brides to Shop

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Best Gift Shop

Brinton's by the Lemon Tree — 8 Pilot Road, Carmel Valley - 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily - (831) 298-7147

Jayne Brinton expressed happy amazement at being chosen, although she shouldn't have been surprised — her Carmel Valley shop is uber-cute.

"We go to a lot of markets and do a lot of research for everything we carry, and we just want to thank everybody that voted for us!" she said.

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Bereman Carpets — 1070 Del Monte Ave., Monterey - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mon. to Fri., 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sat. - (831) 373-7759 - www.beremancarpets.com

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CHOMP treasures its volunteers and says so every chance it gets. There are more than 450 in the Auxiliary, plus those who work at Hospice of the Central Coast, or volunteer as chaplains, and another 30 in the therapy dog program. With all those people clamoring to help out, CHOMP must be doing something right!

■ Best Place To Get Married

Church of the Wayfarer — Lincoln at Seventh - call for appointment - (831) 624-3550 - www.churchofthewayfarer.com

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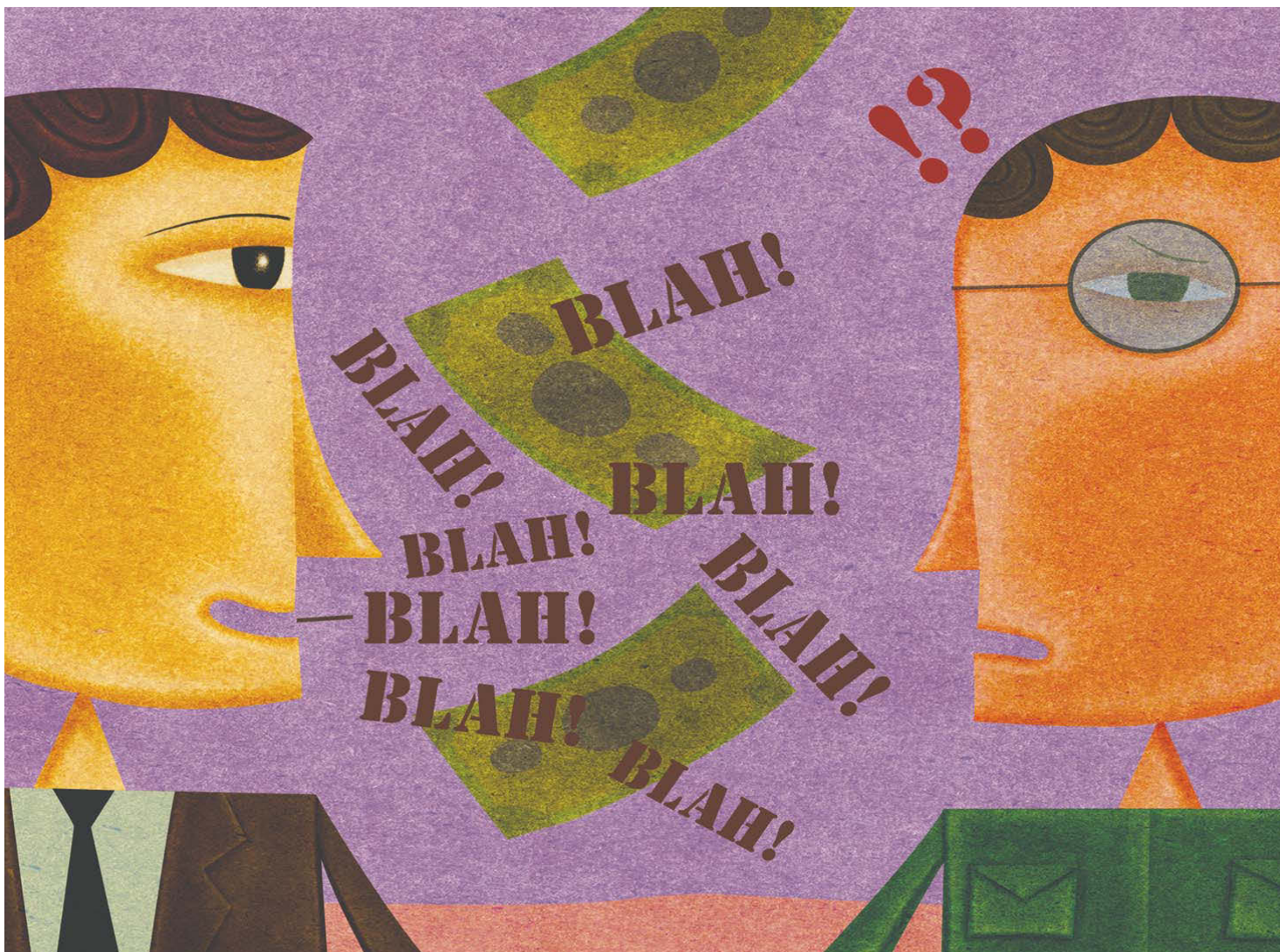
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Adam Jeselnick has worked on several high-profile projects, including Affina Food and Wine and the event center at Seventh and Dolores. He also donated time to create a plan for the proposed Dolores Street pedestrian promenade. He thinks of himself as a "community-minded architect" who supports sustainable designs that fit into their environments.

■ Best General Contractor

Bill Lewellen Construction — 7522 Fawn Ct. - call for appointment - (831) 625-2714

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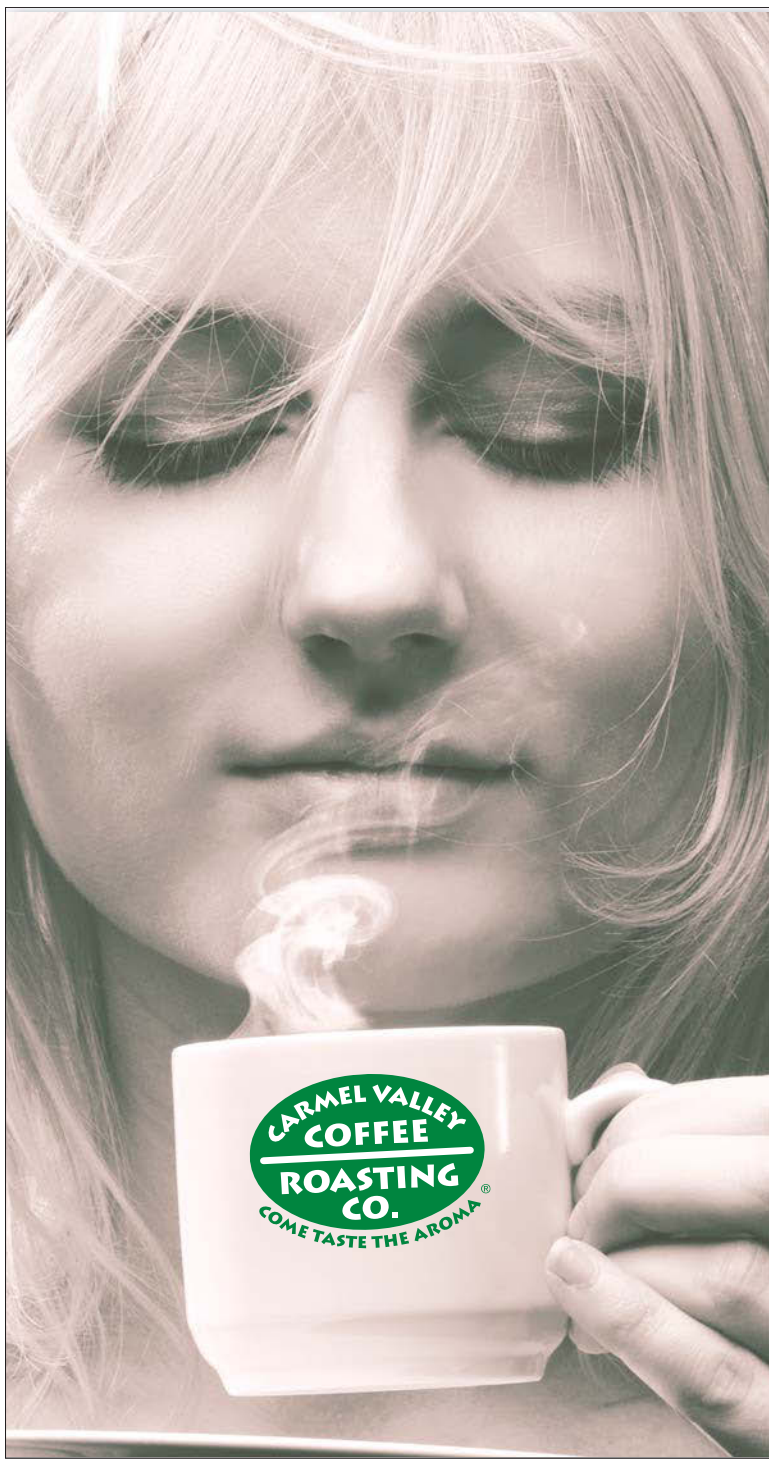
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Dr. Clevenger is a graduate of Dartmouth and Texas Tech. He said he enjoys practicing medicine because, "There's a lot of nice patients. They're good people. I'm not trying to see somebody every five minutes anymore. I listen to them and give them more time." How refreshing — and clearly, it's working.

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Dr. LaMothe has been board certified in pediatric medicine for 25 years, and said he loves his job because helping kids is fun. His extensive experience working with little ones makes him a reassuring presence to parents around here. When he's not in the office, you might find him surfing, cooking or gardening.

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Amy's been helping people get back on their feet for 30 years. "I really love my job," she said, "It's all about the people and making them feel better!" It's that passion that ensures the great care that garnered this year's award for her.

■ Best Chiropractor

Aaron Gaily — 1299 Pacific St., Monterey - 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mon., Wed. and Thurs.; 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tues. - (831) 657-0191 - www.chiropractormonterey-ca.com

In addition to providing care for the patients in his Monterey office, this Carmel Valley native and 1995 Carmel High School graduate gives back to the community as head coach of the Carmel High varsity boys' water polo team.

■ Best Divorce Lawyer

Molly Abel Warner — 2100 Garden Rd # A103, Monterey - (831) 375-5553

She didn't return The Pine Cone's call requesting a comment on her Golden Pine Cone, but Ms. Warner is a Monterey College of Law grad with 32 years of experience. She must be good and busy — her outgoing voicemail said she's not taking any new clients!

■ Best Estate Planning Attorney

Albert Nicora, Nicora and Hespe — 26385 Carmel Rancho Blvd. - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mon. to Fri. - (831) 622-2000 - www.nicoralaw.com

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■ Best Lawyer if You Need to Sue Somebody

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Andrew Swartz has run the New York, Boston, San Francisco and Big Sur marathons, and he brings the same dogged determinations to the clients he represents. The Santa Clara law grad has been practicing in Monterey since 1973. Whether he's representing the plaintiff or the defendant, you can bet he'll fight to win.

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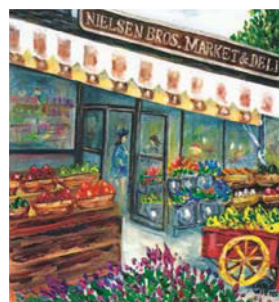
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■ Best School

Tularcitos Elementary School — 35 Ford Road, Carmel Valley - Mon. to Fri., 8 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. - (831) 620-8195 - www.carmelunified.org/Page/931

Tularcitos Elementary School scored a grand slam this year, winning best school, best principal for Ryan Peterson and best teacher for Teresa Stasio. High levels of parent involvement; creative, passionate teachers and a rich learning environment are the hallmarks of great schools like this one.

■ Best Teacher

Teresa Stasio, Tularcitos Elementary School — 35 Ford Road, Carmel Valley - Mon. to Fri., 8 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. - (831) 620-8195 - www.carmelunified.org/Page/931

Teresa Stasio said she was "honored and touched" to receive her Golden Pine Cone. A teacher for 31 years, she teaches first graders at Tularcitos. She said she tries to create an environment where "creativity and curiosity are valued." Parents agree, saying she's passionate about her job.

■ Best Principal

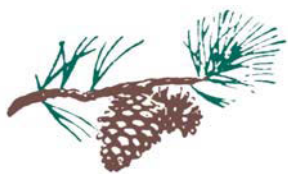
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Not every principal volunteers for a harvest festival dunk tank every year, but Ryan Peterson isn't just any principal. Parents give him high marks for energy and dedication. For his part, Peterson said, "I give all the credit to the teachers, parents and everyone else for the school's success. I'm just blessed to be here."

■ My Favorite Nonprofit

SPCA for Monterey County — 1002 Monterey Salinas Hwy. - administrative offices open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mon. to Fri. - (831) 373-2631 - www.spcamc.org

"All creatures great and small" are welcome at this busy animal care center. In addition to cats and dogs, injured tortoises, abandoned bunnies and horses alike find veterinary care, shelter and compassion. Dog-training classes and the Take the Lead program for at-risk teens benefit two-legged clients as well.



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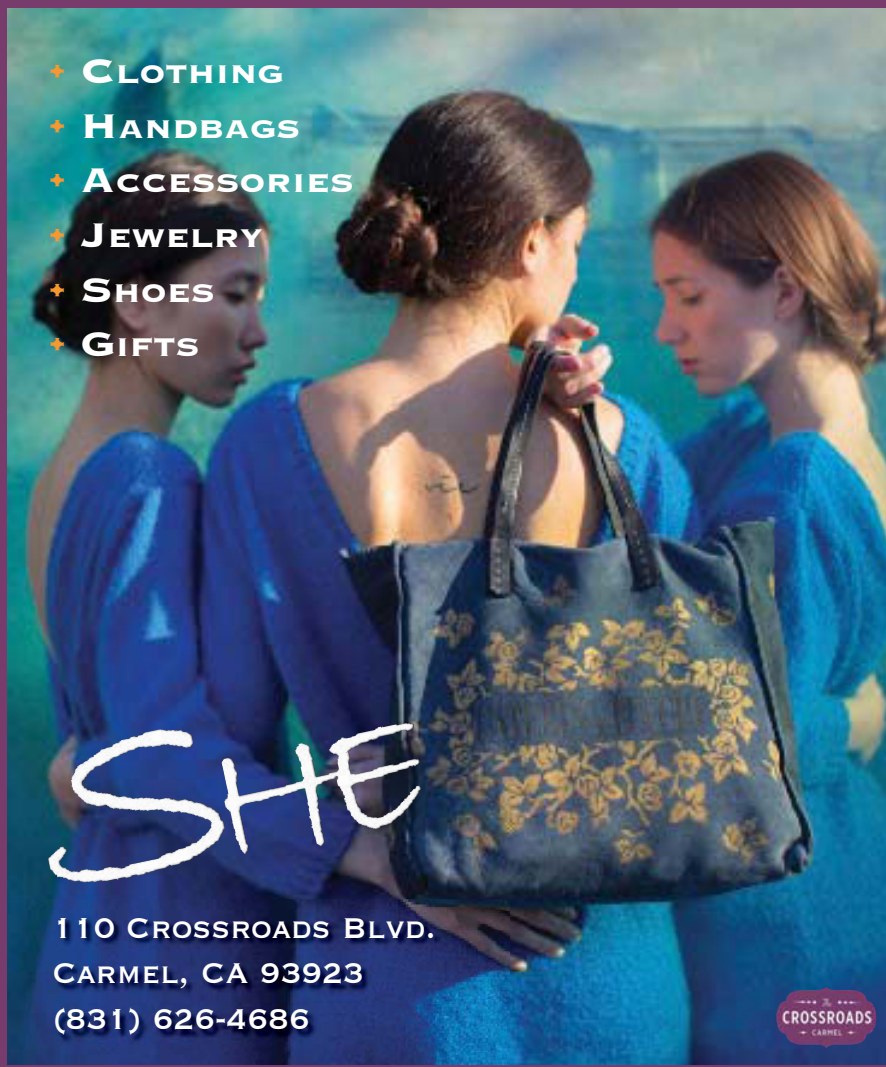
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