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Braving the Big Sur winter ...

In what may have been the most successful protest ever, a handful of Big Sur residents stood along Highway 1 under sunny skies last week to show their solidarity for activists opposing the construction of an oil pipeline near the Standing Rock Indian Reservation in North and South Dakota — nearly 1,700 miles away. The protest at Standing Rock had endured since April, often under brutal weather conditions, without achieving its aims. Yet, astonishingly, only four hours after the Big Sur crew planted their signs along the highway, the federal government handed the activists a major victory by announcing that the Army Corps of Engineers will conduct a more thorough environmental assessment and explore alternate routes for the pipeline. There's no word yet about what problem the Big Sur activists will solve next.



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Audit reveals dozens of problems in city accounting

By MARY SCHLEY

ACCOUNTS HAVEN'T been reconciled, there is a lack of checks and balances in payroll and other payouts, city fuel isn't properly accounted for, and there should be video cameras in the public works yard. Those were just some of the more than two dozen findings and recommendations the city's new auditors, Moss, Leavey & Hartzheim, made as part of their review of the 2014-2015 fiscal year.

They are also among the reasons the report, which was presented to the council at its Dec. 6 meeting, was eight months late.

After conducting a detailed review and accounting of the year's \$21,129,081 in revenues and \$18,125,001 in expenditures, the extensive report goes on to identify 15 "deficiencies" and nearly a dozen "other matters" the auditors found concerning.

"Some of them, we have already put the protections in place, but some of them are really basic," city administrator Chip Rerig told The Pine Cone Thursday. "Clearly our financial and accounting processes need to be brought up to more contemporary standards."

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Hotel partner quits, calls operation 'amateurish'

By KELLY NIX

THE FRONTMAN for the development team hoping to transform the American Tin Cannery outlet mall into a luxury hotel has resigned, and he isn't holding back about his for-

mer business partners, calling their management "amateurish" and "sloppy." And he said he's not confident the hotel will be built under their leadership.

Michael Crall told The Pine Cone Monday that he and partner Grant Sedgwick resigned their positions as officers of Domaine Hospitality Partners, the company behind Project Bella, and he offered a scathing review of how his former partners, retired Army Gen. Wesley Clark and president and CEO Ron Meer, are managing the development.

Crall said he and Sedgwick, Domaine's former executive vice president, quit because of "fundamental differences" with the Clark and Meer over the direction and operation of the company.

"I do not believe Mr. Clark and Mr. Meer are capable of completing Project Bella," Crall, Domaine's former chief development officer, said. "From my perspective, their handling of the project so far has been amateurish in several respects. Books and financial reports are late, sloppy, and incomplete. Accountability of funds is opaque."

Crall — who regularly appeared at P.G. City Council and planning commission meetings on behalf of the hotel proposal — said that Domaine's tax returns for 2015 have not been filed, and many local suppliers and service providers have not

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Water use goes down, so rates are going up

By KELLY NIX

RESIDENTIAL WATER customers on the Monterey Peninsula will soon see a roughly \$20 increase on their monthly water bills, while businesses and other non-residential customers will pay about \$40 more per month.

The California American Water rate increases, along with a new method for calculating water bills, were approved by the state's Public Utilities Commission Dec. 1. Customers will likely start seeing the higher water bills — which will be collected as a surcharge over the next five years — in March 2017, according to Cal Am.

"To customers concerned about the increase, I would say that we understand the impacts are substantial; however, the increase is needed to cover costs critical to maintaining and operating the water system," Cal Am spokeswoman Catherine Stedman told The Pine Cone.

The "under-collected" sum Cal Am will make up via the

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First Presbyterian gets 'hybrid' pipe organ

By ELAINE HESSER

IT'S BEEN almost 20 years in the making, but Carmel Presbyterian has a new hybrid pipe organ. What's a hybrid pipe organ? It's what happens when a digital organ meets a good old-fashioned pipe organ.

According to organ committee member Ric Masten — a second cousin of the late poet of the same name — about 70 percent of the pipes came to the church around 2000. Then-organist Ted Dixon brought them here when he heard a church in Turlock, where he'd lived for decades, was getting

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LITERARY BIRDHOUSES HAVE QUITE A STORY TO TELL

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

IF YOU attended the Homecrafters Marketplace at Sunset Center a few weeks back, you may have noticed some unusual birdhouses for sale. But you had to look fast, because the birdhouses — each one made from a colorful children's or collectible book — were flying off the shelves.

The birdhouses are the brainchild of Monterey resident Bundy Goodman, who got the idea after seeing an online post about a school class on the other side of the country that had made birdhouses using Little Golden Books for the roofs. She thought, "Why not?"

Thus began a fundraising project for the Monterey County Community Partnership for Youth's literacy program — a project that has so far raised more than \$10,000 from the sale of birdhouses that are so delightful, most people who see them just have to have one, even at \$80 to \$120 each.

Purely decorative and not actually for housing birds, "Bundy's Birdhouses" are crafted from wooden forms, to which Goodman affixes or decoupages illustrations from each birdhouse's theme book. The roof is made from the book cover or the book itself, and each birdhouse also comes with a copy of its book.

Most birdhouses have a perch designed in keeping with its theme. The iconic red-and-white "Betty Crocker Cookbook" birdhouse, for example, bears a tiny red whisk as its perch. Winnie the Pooh's house has a honey dripper. A golf-themed birdhouse has a tiny golf club, and the chocolate-themed birdhouse has a small spoon dipped in chocolate sprinkles.

"I love making these bookish birdhouses," said Goodman. "I get the books from thrift stores or Amazon's used books or even donations. I call this project, 'upcycling,' because I'm

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PHOTO/PHILIP M. GEIGER

With its Dr. Seuss theme, this whimsical birdhouse is one of many that have raised money for charity.

Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Run Like the Wind

HIS DAUGHTER wanted a dog. Like, really, really wanted a dog. And she was very persistent about it.

At first, he resisted. But then he said if everyone in the family agreed to care for it, they'd get a dog. They also agreed they wanted a rescue.

"We certainly didn't need to go to a breeder to get a dog," he said. "Rescues tend to be great dogs, and I

really like mixed breeds. Something in the mixing of genes creates a good character."

The search began. The first few dogs weren't quite right for the family. But there, on the Monterey County SPCA's website, his daughter found her dog — an enormous 1-year-old border collie-German shepherd mix, all black with white tips.

She named him Zephyr, which means a "gentle breeze." In mythology, it refers to the god, Zephyros. In Greek, it derives from Zophos, meaning darkness. It also conjures the California Zephyr, one of the most beautiful train treks in the western United States. Mostly, she liked how it sounds.

"Zephyr is black and sleek and runs like the wind," his person said. "He's full of energy but can be very gentle and mellow when he wants to be. His name fits him perfectly."

Zephyr likes Carmel Beach, but he seems happiest in parks, where he can run and hike and swim with abandon.

"When we got Zephyr, it seemed he'd never seen water before, and he was afraid," his person said. "But my daughter taught him to swim. She also took him through obedience and agility courses at the SPCA. She would love to do hospital visits with him, when he's ready. He has the personality for it."

In the end, the guy who resisted getting a dog takes Zephyr wherever he goes.

"Getting Zephyr changed everything," he said. "He's my constant companion. If I can't take him somewhere, we don't go."



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Council wants more input before approving regular street dances

By MARY SCHLEY

WHILE THE community activities and cultural commission in November suggested a street dance like the one held during the centennial celebration occur annually on a Saturday in September in the vicinity of Devendorf Park, the city council on Tuesday had other ideas — and decided the cultural commission should consider them.

Former councilwoman Barbara Livingston, who came up with the concept of the centennial street dance and shepherded it through, said the council should wait until all of the information from that event, including how much money was made on wine and beer sales, and other logistical elements and concerns, has been compiled in a report.

“There’s a lot to talk about, a lot to think about,” she said. “Definitely, I think you should think about another street dance, possibly in September, when there’s more light and less chance of rain.”

She also speculated nonprofits would be clamoring for the ability to sell wine at the event, though centennial organizers had a hard time finding one, because all the money was to go to the city, not the nonprofit.

Carmel Chamber of Commerce CEO Monta Potter said her organization would be interested in taking on that role.

During the discussion, councilman Bobby Richards suggested holding the dance on a Sunday, to encourage visitors to stay past the

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CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS HONORED, GET KEYS TO CITY

Calhoun receives farewell

By MARY SCHLEY

THE KEY players behind the elaborate centennial celebration were given keys to the city by the Carmel City Council Tuesday. The same meeting also marked the last as police chief for Mike Calhoun, who is retiring at the end of the month after 32 years on the force.

In a presentation that Mayor Steve Dallas said was unprecedented for its number of recipients, he and each council member delivered a short speech and handed a commemorative framed key to each person in the committee, except for Merv Sutton, who was out of town.

Dallas presented the first to Heidi Mozingo for her research and work on the

parade, and the strong work ethic that she also showed while employed as assistant city administrator. “You just step up each and every time,” he said. “I know you had lots of phone calls and hard work.”

Councilman Bobby Richards honored Walt deFaria, who wrote a play in celebration of the centennial and staged it at the Forest Theater during a free, one-night performance.

“Your play captured the history and artistic passion that represent our unique village,” he said, and then quoted one of the play’s poets. “No man can be stronger than his destiny,” and I’m personally glad your destiny was to be in Carmel.”

Councilwoman Carrie Theis praised Tom Brocato for organizing the parade, which

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Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

Shopkeeper just wanted liquor back

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.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A public works employee observed a healthy coyote near the driveway to Flanders Mansion. Coyote ran off.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: An unattended dog was found in the area of Torres and Eighth, and brought to the Carmel Police Department for safekeeping. No owner could be located, and the dog was transported to the Monterey County animal shelter. Later, the owner contact-

ed the department, and the dog was then transported back to the department. Dog returned to owner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Adult female suffered a fall on city property at Dolores St. and Sixth Ave.

Pacific Grove: Anonymous person called in to report construction noise starting before 0800 hours on Presidio Boulevard. The caller stated it is an ongoing problem. Subject at the Presidio Boulevard location was contacted and advised of the recent addition to the PGMC that prohibits construction noise prior to 0800 hours. Information only.

Pacific Grove: Semi truck collided with a guardrail on Lighthouse Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Elderly female on Jewell Avenue was physically attacked by her daughter,

age 46. The daughter was placed under arrest. On-call judge approved an emergency protective order against the daughter.

Pacific Grove: Grove Acre resident reported that his son continually contacts him despite a restraining order prohibiting him from doing so. Information to be forwarded to the DA's office.

Pacific Grove: Vandalism reported to a vehicle on Cedar Street. No suspect information.

Carmel area: Victim on Santa Rita Street stated unknown person(s) had used his debit card information fraudulently.

Carmel Valley: Online report of a burglary on Scarlett Road.

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Attempted burglary through the front door of a business on Ocean Avenue west of San Carlos Street. Signs of forced entry. No witnesses, suspects or surveillance cameras. Report taken at 0123 hours.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject in his hotel room at San Carlos and Fifth believed he was being harassed. He was evaluated for 5150 W&I, based upon his statements. He was dressed in a security guard uniform, and had a swollen and bruised left foot. He said his foot was run over while he was working as a security guard in the Hollister area. He refused medical treatment. He did not meet the criteria for 5150 W&I [danger to self or others] and is checking out of the room today.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Citizen at Dolores and

Fifth reported a lost cell phone.

Pacific Grove: Driver lost control of the vehicle and struck multiple objects before coming to rest off of the roadway on Congress Avenue at 0426 hours. Major damage to the vehicle, and the driver was taken to the trauma unit. He was interviewed and evaluated for DUI. Blood draw was taken at the hospital. Charges against the 22-year-old male are pending the results of toxicology.

Carmel area: A 55-year-old male was arrested at the Crossroads shopping center and booked into county jail for battering his wife and causing minor injury.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male on Mission south of 12 contacted several times in two hours after calling 911. He then requested transport to CHOMP for a medical evaluation.

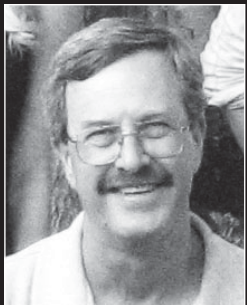
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found purse on San Carlos south of Fifth was turned in to the police department. Owner was contacted and will arrange for shipment to her location.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Citizen left behind a tent at the beach at Scenic and 12th.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found bracelet on Monte Verde Street was turned in to the police department for safekeeping.

Pacific Grove: Woman reported that a package was stolen from in front of her apartment on Grove Acre. No suspect info.

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Sharp returns to planning commission

■ Saroyan on forest and beach, Heisinger joins historic resources board

By MARY SCHLEY

A FORMER city councilwoman who also served on the design review board was reappointed to the planning commission by the city council Tuesday.

Karen Sharp, who was appointed to the city council in August 2007 and then served another four years after being elected in 2008, has had a house in town since 1992 and moved here full-time with her husband, David, in 2000.

A trained nurse and former director of surgical services for a large medical center, Sharp joined the Carmel Design Review Board in 2004 and the planning commission in 2007, but she only served with that group for a short time before moving to the council, where she replaced Mike Cunningham. Now, she is ready to return to what many consider the city's most important commission, since it sets policy and makes major and minor decisions about commercial, residential and public development in the city.

Has hammered nails

Sharp knows a bit about construction, too, having taken a nine-month course in rough construction — during which she and 30 high-school students built a house from the ground up — and remodeled some homes in Carmel, including her own on Camino Real.

"I have voluntarily served the community

and am committed to preserving the beauty and charm of Carmel-by-the-Sea," she said in her statement of qualifications. She is replacing Keith Paterson, who resigned because he and his wife sold their house here.

"After much deliberation, the ad hoc committee has identified Karen Sharp as a qualified and ideal candidate to fill the current vacancy and is recommending her appointment to the planning commission," city clerk Ashlee Wright said in her report for the Dec. 6 council meeting. The committee comprises Mayor Steve Dallas and Mayor Pro-Tem Carrie Theis, who also interviewed all the candidates.



Karen Sharp

Sharp's appointment was unanimously approved by the council Tuesday as part of its consent agenda. The two other applicants were Darlene Mosley, who worked in home and property sales, and is the wife of former council candidate Dave Mosley, and Grace Lee, who was recently

appointed to the community activities and cultural commission.

Other new appointees

And at their Nov. 1 meeting, council members also voted to appoint builder Al Saroyan to the forest and beach commission, and Alex Heisinger to the historic resources board. Saroyan replaced Maggie Eaton, who resigned, and Heisinger replaced Julie Wendt, who was appointed to the planning commission. Saroyan and Heisinger expressed interest in serving on either commission.

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Police identify suspect in Cannery Row murder

By MARY SCHLEY

THE MAN who shot and killed a 28-year-old Monterey man in front of a Cannery Row parking garage early the morning of Nov. 23 is a 21-year-old Salinas gang member who was released from prison in May and is on parole for assault with a deadly weapon, according to Monterey police. Officers don't know where the suspect, Jorge Luis Mendoza, is, and are searching for him.

Working with investigators from the Peninsula Regional Violence and Narcotics Team, officers identified Mendoza as the man who shot Raul Melendez following a fight that started at the Giant Artichoke restaurant on Cannery Row.

Melendez was discovered by officers who responded to a report of gunfire shortly after 1:40 a.m., and he died at the trauma center at Natividad Medical Center in Salinas.

An arrest warrant for murder has been issued for Mendoza. Anyone with information about him should call

police at (831) 646-6926 or the anonymous tip line at (831) 646-3840, and anyone who comes in contact with him should call 911.

Police from Monterey and the task force also ID'd the rival gang members who stabbed each other during a fight at the Blue Fin Billiards and Café at around 1:20 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 3, as Joel Robledo, 40, of Salinas, and Frank Guzman, 27, of Castroville.

The men reportedly got into a fight at the billiards hall and ended up stabbing each other. They were both transported to Natividad for treatment of their injuries.

Later that day, Guzman was booked at the Monterey County Jail for attempted murder and assault with a deadly weapon with gang enhancements, and his bail was set at \$1 million.

Robledo was discharged from the hospital on Dec. 6 and was booked at the jail on the same charges. His bail was also set at \$1 million.

Drugged driver arrested after car catches fire

A DRIVER whose car caught on fire as he was driving away after crashing into a tree and a parked car was arrested Friday night for hit-and-run and driving under the influence of nearly a dozen prescription medications, according to Carmel Police Cmdr. Paul Tomasi.

Paul Harper, a 34-year-old Monterey resident, "admitted to taking quite a few prescription drugs," Tomasi said, including multiple antidepressant, anti-anxiety and anti-seizure drugs, as well as a muscle relaxant, pain killers, asthma and blood pressure medications.

At 7:20 p.m. Dec. 2, police received a report of a hit-and-run involving a parked car on Serra Avenue, just outside the city limits.

"Officers then heard some people were following the car, and the car was now on fire," Tomasi said.

Harper finally stopped at the intersection of Lower Trail and Upper Trail, where he got out and began videoing his vehicle as it went up in flames, according to Tomasi.

A pair of other witnesses said he had also hit a tree in the area of Dolores and Third.

He said the California Highway Patrol also responded to assist with the arrest, since part of it occurred on county property.



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Big Sur needs more parking to deal with traffic mess, volunteer leader suggests

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE EXECUTIVE director of a nonprofit whose volunteers have spent thousands of hours in Big Sur fixing up trails and picking up trash, Mike Splain of the Ventana Wilderness Alliance said Big Sur needs more free, off-the-highway parking to accommodate the dramatic rise in tourism in recent years.

The suggestion was one of several Splain made in a letter he sent last month to United States Forest Service official Jeff Bensen.

Besides offering remedies to several of Big Sur's most pressing problems stemming from over-visitation, the letter expresses concern about a recent decision by the federal agency to award a 10-year contract to a concessionaire, the Parks Management Company, to run 52 of its campgrounds and day use areas in Los Padres National Forest, much of which is located in Monterey County.

Splain said more free parking should be created in Big Sur for motorists so they don't clog bicycle lanes and create traffic hazards.

"Charging fees for all picnic and day-use areas, especially on the Big Sur coast, will invite bad behavior as visitors attempt to park off-site along narrow primary and secondary roads to dodge payment," Splain wrote. "The most realistic solution is a small number of safe and carefully engineered free parking spots to get these visitors and their vehicles off the highway."

In many cases, day hikers park outside campgrounds to access the trailheads they offer, creating more traffic and safety hazards in the process. To address this, "campgrounds situated at trailheads should be similarly retrofitted with legitimate and free day-use parking," Splain recommended.

Kiosk at Pfeiffer Beach?

Sycamore Canyon Road could benefit from a kiosk or gate, Splain suggested. The road that leads from Highway 1 to Pfeiffer Beach has been a traffic quagmire in recent years.

"Pfeiffer Beach is a unique situation and may eventually require a kiosk or gate limiting entry at the intersection of Highway 1 and Sycamore Canyon Road," he speculated. "Digital signage — indicating if the lot is full, etc. — at this intersection would, meanwhile, greatly mitigate visitor and resident conflicts and the dangers inherent to driving a narrow, winding road."

Splain also said the recent decision by the forest service to charge fees at some campgrounds that were once free — and raise fees at other campgrounds — could cause an uptick in dispersed and illegal camping, which increases the risk of wildfire. This past summer's devastating Soberanes Fire, which burned more than 130,000 acres and destroyed 57 homes, was started by an illegal campfire.

"In the interest of sanitation and fire safety, [law enforcement] patrols will need to keep pace, especially along Arroyo Seco-Indians Road and Tassajara Road," he warned.

Volunteers to the rescue

Addressing the move by the forest service to further privatize its campgrounds, Splain said it's essential that staff are well trained — and he said the Ventana Wilderness Alliance and other nonprofits or volunteer groups can help.

"Campground hosts should possess at least a basic knowledge of the landscape, current fire restrictions and Leave No Trace principles," he continued. "Partner groups such as us are ready, willing and able to assist in providing crucial resources like education, maps, hike suggestions and volunteer opportunities."

To make it possible for more volunteers to help, concessionaires should provide them with free camping — and not pass on that cost on to taxpayers, Splain said.

"Concessionaires have generally been conducive to providing free campsites for trail crew, ranger and youth projects when necessary," he explained. "Please consider formalizing this relationship, ideally in a way that places the primary burden on the concessionaire and preserves scarce agency recreation funds."

Because the Parks Management Company now has a huge responsibility to oversee more than 50 sites on public land, Splain wants to make sure it does a good job.

"They should be held to a high standard," he insisted. "The Monterey Ranger District is a world-class destination deserving nothing short of expert management."

Not the agency's fault

Splain told The Pine Cone his group has a good working relationship with the forest service, and he emphasized that his comments aren't meant to criticize the agency, which he said is seriously underfunded.

"They are continually being asked to do more with less," he said. "Look at their organizational chart — so many positions are vacant with no plans to fill them. And these are

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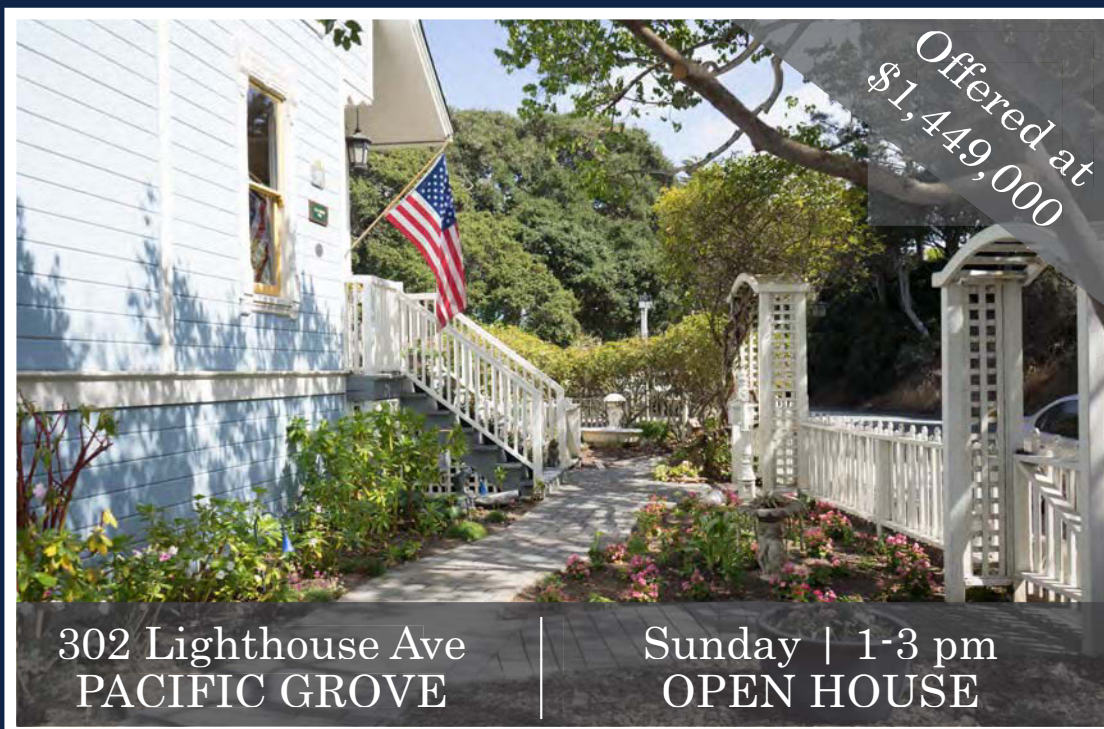
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Bad sewer lines force busy bakery to close

■ Plenty of finger pointing to go around

By KELLY NIX

ONE OF the Monterey Peninsula's most popular bakeries was shut down this week because of a broken sewer line, and the owner is blaming his landlord and city officials for long "ignoring" the issue.

Two Pacific Grove police officers and a city code enforcement officer showed up at Pavel's Backerei at 219 Forest Ave. in P.G. Monday afternoon to close the business because of the sewer problem, bakery owner Paul Wainscoat told The Pine Cone. As a result, the baker said he thinks he'll lose \$35,000 in baking product and sales this week. "We have

\$10,000 worth of product that needed to be baked off tomorrow, and it's going to go to waste," Wainscoat said Monday. "And if we want to keep our employees, we have to pay them."

Wainscoat said the sewer has been an issue for years, and he blames the landlord, Gary Delahanty, for not properly repairing the line. He also blames Pacific Grove, and names the building official, John Kuehl, for not doing enough to compel the landlord to fix it.

Kuehl "knew about this for years, and he refused to get involved," Wainscoat said. "He said 'it was a civil matter, and if you need to fix it you can take the matter to court.' Then all of a sudden he red tags the building, and we can't be in there anymore."

Property manager Jeff Davi with A.G. Davi told The Pine Cone late Thursday that the plumbing work was finished and that he was going to notify Wainscoat.

No toilet

Since, 2009, the broken sewer line has meant Pavel's employees had to cross the street to city hall to use the restrooms, according to Wainscoat. The claim, however, was refuted by Davi, who said he believed that the bathroom had only been non-operational for a couple of weeks.

The business does have a sink and running water for baking and washing hands, however, and Wainscoat said he has a "perfect record" with the Monterey County Health Department.

Wainscoat's frustration with the problem led him to contact the health department about the bathroom issue, and that, he figures, is why Kuehl shut down his business. Wainscoat

also said that a few months ago, he provided the city with a plumbing video showing the line was almost entirely blocked. The city's public works director in November confirmed that the sewer line was 85 percent obstructed.

"There was no sense of urgency until now," Wainscoat said. Kuehl "is pissed off because I called the health department and got them involved. This is all about vengeance and showing me that I can't mess with the city."

Wainscoat provided a big stack of documents to The Pine Cone, which he contends backs up his claims regarding the sewer issues at the bakery. Most of the papers are email messages between Wainscoat and a property manager.

Davi said that he had hoped, like Wainscoat, that the work could be done in January, since December is the bakery's busiest time of year.

"We are doing everything we can to get him back in there as soon as we can," Davi said.

For his part, Kuehl told The Pine Cone that he responded to Wainscoat's concerns "each time," telling the baker that as long as he provided "proof of the problem," he would "take action immediately."

"Each time, it wasn't a good time and [Wainscoat] told me to 'never mind,'" Kuehl said. "This time, I not only received a report, but also a video with a verbal description of the cracked pipe and the bottom of the pipe in areas was eroded with no pipe material left. Once I obtained that information, I acted to close the business until the sewer pipe had been repaired or replaced."

'Protecting customers'

Kuehl said his decision to temporarily close the bakery was done to ensure the public's safety. He said the sewer pipe in question had a long crack, which led it to discharge sewage inside and underneath the building.

"The last resort is to close a business, but in this case, that was the only option to make required repairs to eliminate the health and safety issue," he said.

Kuehl also said that Delahanty and Davi have "always been willing to complete and conduct any required repairs to keep the business/property open and functional."

The baker said he gave Kuehl a thumb drive in September with his own video of the sewer line.

"Why didn't Kuehl come and close us then?" said Wainscoat, who operates the bakery with his wife, Johanna.

Wainscoat also alleges the property management company illegally entered his business, and he's hired an attorney. Davi, however, said he was within his right to enter the building and said the police investigated and concluded he did not trespass.

Meanwhile, Wainscoat said he would have to dip into his retirement account to pay Pavel's workers.

"This is not a mom-and-pop store anymore; we do a large volume," he said. "We do almost \$1 million a year, now."



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Plumbers work on a cracked sewer pipe Wednesday at Pavel's Backerei, which has been closed since the City of Pacific Grove was called in to check out the sewer problem. The owner of the bakery said he hopes to reopen Tuesday.

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Rancho Cañada showdown: Supes to weigh in on subdivision

By CHRIS COUNTS

A PLAN to sell 130 unbuilt lots at Rancho Cañada in Carmel Valley — including 25 dedicated to affordable housing — will go before the Monterey County Board of Supervisors Tuesday, Dec. 13, at 1:30 p.m., in Salinas.

A scaled-back version of a subdivision proposed by the late Nick Lombardo in 2004, the project would be built on land where an 18-hole golf course now exists, and according to developer Alan Williams, would use less water.

Williams has also proposed extending and building up a fire road that would serve as a barrier to keep flood waters from coming down Rio Road — an idea that is partly responsible for the support the project has received from neighbors. The plan would also establish a 40-acre park.

The county's general plan would need to be amended before the development can be approved.

But the watchdog nonprofit, the Carmel

Valley Association, is asking supervisors to reject it — and urging its members to attend the hearing.

“The Carmel Valley Association board feels strongly that the process that has been utilized in considering this project is wholly inadequate and fatally flawed,” president Pris Walton wrote this week in an email to members. “As such, we believe the project should be returned to the planning department and the planning commission for proper analysis and review.”

By a 4-3 vote, the Monterey County Planning Commission voted Nov. 16 to send the plan to the board of supervisors. Carmel Valley's two representatives on the planning commission, Martha Diehl and Keith Vandevere, voted against it, and Vandevere made a motion to continue the hearing until January, but it failed. Another motion, to recommend amending the general plan, received four “yes” votes, but needed six, according to county rules.

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JUST AS he's done for the past 57 years, Santa Claus will arrive at the Carmel Valley Airfield Saturday, Dec. 10, at 10:30 a.m. — rain or shine.

Wearing red and sporting his famous white beard, Santa will travel by helicopter to the airport, where a “sleigh and reindeer” will be waiting for him and Mrs. Claus. From there, the famous North Pole couple will lead a parade through the

Village to the Carmel Valley Community Youth Center.

Community Park will be the site of a holiday party. Photo ops with Santa will be offered, hot chocolate and holiday treats will be served, and a variety of fun and games will keep kids entertained.

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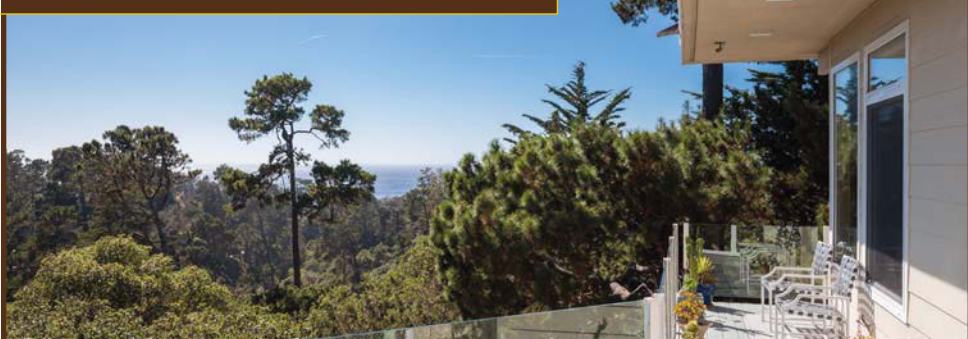
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City to finalize Rio Park trail plan

By MARY SCHLEY

EVEN THOUGH they don't plan to spend a lot of money to build a bike lane and walkway through Rio Park, Carmel City Council members voted Tuesday to proceed with a land swap and other legal arrangements necessary for the project to connect Rio Road and Lasuen Drive.

The trail will cross a six-acre piece of open space behind Larson Field taxpayers bought in 1990 for \$1.75 million — and which the city has used for little more than stockpiling wood chips during the past 25 years. The Carmel River bisects the land.

The trail project has been in the works since 2014 and has so far cost \$113,314 — with another \$57,343 already promised to Monterey Bay Planning Services and the city engineer — for design, engineering and permits, including a proposed lot-line adjustment with Mission Ranch. Constructing the 8-foot-wide asphalt path also requires cooperation from the Carmel Area Wastewater District and the Diocese of Monterey, since the park and other adjacent land include multiple jurisdictions and easements.

Swap with Eastwood

The land exchange is necessary because the city-owned property doesn't actually reach Lasuen Drive, which would mean Mission Ranch would have to allow the public to use its driveway to get to the trail. Owner Clint Eastwood was concerned about the liability, so he and the city are now considering an exchange of 5,700 square feet of land so vehicles and people would have direct access to the trail, and a new parking lot for both park users and Mission Ranch visitors could be built, according to the report by Monterey Bay Planning Service's principal, Brian Roseth. He said the proposed lot-line shift, parking lot and overall concept have all been tentatively approved by both sides, but the related legal docu-

ments are still under review.

Other necessary agreements involve the trail easement along the perimeter of Larson Field, which will be separated from the general public by a new fence in order to protect Junipero Serra School kids and the Carmel Youth Baseball players, and an easement for the trail to cross the wastewater district's property. Both of those documents are still being tweaked by the district and the diocese, as well.

At the Dec. 6 meeting, Roseth recommended the council approve "in concept" the proposed land exchange and shared parking arrangement with Mission Ranch, and authorize him and other city staff to resume negotiations with the Diocese of Monterey and CAWD, to get all of the legal agreements approved.

'Funding partners'

Once the easements are finalized, he suggested, city officials could find "funding partners" to help pay for the rest of the design and permitting work, as well as the construction. Roseth suggested state tax dollars could be obtained from Caltrans and the California Coastal Conservancy, and that the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, which just received a significant tax increase for local road projects, might spend some money on it, too.

Former Mayor Sue McCloud commented that the path is not the "highest and best use for the Rio Park property," which she suggested could be used for affordable housing, while former planning commissioner Ian Martin said he supports it.

"This pathway will directly benefit Carmel-by-the-Sea by reducing the number of cars traveling through our village on Rio Road and Lasuen Drive," he said, adding that more parents will let their kids bike to school if the pathway is built.

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Paralyzed photographer gets stronger, but faces unexpected hurdles

By CHRIS COUNTS

SIX YEARS after a car accident in Big Sur left her a quadriplegic, Rachael Short has much to be thankful for, including slow but steady progress in her effort to regain movement in her body. But she is also facing several unforeseen challenges, including finding a new personal trainer — and likely, in the near future, a new van and a new place to live.

“Immediate opening for: Personal Trainer/ Physical Therapy Aid to work with disabled person in their home doing adaptive fitness,” Short posted on Craigslist. “I’m looking for someone who is physically strong, has knowledge of the body and how it works, who wants a long term position, is motivated, and has a strong work ethic.”

The part-time job offers “competitive pay.” Short elaborated on who she is looking for.

“Finding the right person is key,” she told The Pine Cone. “It’s not a random job. The person needs to be committed, have a good

work ethic, be willing to learn about spinal cord injuries, and keep up with the latest exercises. I’m constantly learning new things and seeing what other quadriplegics are doing.”

Short said she works out 25 to 30 hours a week in her backyard greenhouse. She jokes that working out is “my job,” but she’s just being modest, since she co-owns a downtown photography gallery, Exposed.

The job will be funded by money raised each spring at the Big Sur International Marathon. Short’s many friends assemble teams of “Relay for Rachael” runners, who collect pledges and have raised about \$100,000 over the past six years. All the money goes to her rehabilitation.

Besides seeking a personal trainer, Short will soon need a new van. “I’m looking for new vehicle because my Volkswagen van keeps breaking down,” she explained.

And she will probably need to move from her family’s home in Carmel in the near future because it’s on the market.

“My grandmother passed, and her proper-

ty is for sale,” she said. “It’s been in the family for 100 years, and it’s been a little emotional.”

But aside from facing a few difficulties that many people on the Monterey Peninsula share, Short is encouraged by her efforts to regain mobility.

“I try not to have many expectations,” she explained. “All I know is that I’m getting stronger. The longer I keep doing it, the stronger I become. Time is on my side.”

It took Short a year of practice before she could hold an iPhone in her hands. Now she’s setting bigger goals.

“I’m working a lot on rolling over,” she reported. “I can almost do it.”

One of the exercises Short does has her standing with a walker on what’s known as a vibration plate.

“It makes the muscles contract,” she said. “Over time, my muscle tone is getting better and my muscles are definitely waking up.”

Short is also encouraged by breakthroughs stem cell research.

“Clinical trials are showing huge results,” she observed.

One day soon, Short could even be dri-

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Rachael Short takes a break from a workout in her greenhouse gym. She may soon need to find a new place for it.

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AUDIT

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In the “report on internal controls over financial reporting,” the auditor described “certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses and significant deficiencies,” that could allow errors or fraud to occur and go undetected.

The most significant worry was the fact that pooled cash accounts were not reconciled, meaning that after payments were deposited, there was no review to make sure they were assigned to the right funds and purposes.

“Without proper reconciliation of pooled cash on a monthly basis, it is difficult to determine if the cash balance is correct at the end of each month,” the auditor wrote. “Also, a misappropriation of funds could occur and remain undetected for an extended period of time.”

Several of the deficiencies had to do with the same person in the finance department having too many overlapping duties. When dealing with cash, for instance, the employee prepared receipts and deposit slips, made the deposits, maintained and replenished petty cash, and resolved complaints.

Same with payroll, where one person is in charge of “maintaining personnel files, entering employees into the payroll system, making wage rate changes in the system, entering hours into the system, verifying hours input into the payroll system, reviewing the payroll register, preparing the payroll journal, and preparing payroll checks.”

As a result, the auditors found, there are increased risks of errors, incorrect reporting of expenses or data, and misappropriation of assets.

Short staffing to blame

In response to those and other similar points, the city’s finance manager, Paul Wood, explained that city hall is short staffed.

“Because of the size of the finance department staff, many of the financial internal controls are not as effective as they would be otherwise, were there a greater staff size,” he said. “While there are certain tasks that, optimally, would be handled by multiple individuals to increase internal control, we have limited staff so that each staff member must complete more tasks in a given process, making the internal control potentially less effective.” He said the city has “analyzed the segregation of duties, and have implemented separation where the greatest risk of loss could occur.”

“Those are excuses — they are not responses,” Rerig noted later.

The auditors’ review also revealed there was no sign-off on fuel usage reports, there was “excessive use of the override function at the refueling station, and a lack of vehicle number on the vehicle log,” and all of the firefighters were using a single ID number when fueling up. All of those situations make it difficult to determine whether gas is being used properly and for official city business only.

Wood responded that those issues are being addressed, and the override function has been eliminated.

A review of credit card statements revealed “numerous purchases without receipts,” which meant there was no way to substantiate the transactions. The auditor also noted that credit card statements weren’t being signed. (According to records obtained by The Pine Cone in 2014, 11 city credit cards were held by employees in finance, the police and fire departments, ambulance service, community services and public works.)

Wood responded that the administrative services department has received a new credit card, and its use by the finance and planning departments is strictly monitored, receipts are reviewed, and purchase orders must be approved by the director of budgets and contracts. “The past problem of all finance and city admin staff having free access to the admin Cal-Card has been resolved,” he wrote.

Further, the auditors found some timesheets lacked signatures, a W-4 was missing a signature, an employee’s application couldn’t be found, there was a discrepancy between a stated wage and what was being paid, vacation accrual rates were incorrect, one worker wasn’t having Medicare tax withheld, and the salary schedule for public safety employees receiving extra pay was incorrectly calculated. Two I-9 forms were also missing.

City could be fined

As a result, it is impossible “to verify whether employees are being paid for the correct hours, whether they are being paid at the correct pay rate, or if compensatory time balances are correct,” they wrote. Also, the Department of Justice could fine the city for the missing I-9s. Wood responded that those issues were due to “oversights” and would be rectified.

In areas not particularly related to revenues and expenditures, the auditors suggested installing video cameras at the public works yard to “help detect unauthorized activity and to decrease the risk of a misappropriation of assets,” which Wood said the police department agreed to include in its surveillance-system update this year, and that supplies there should be locked up and then disposed of when they are obsolete.

They also said all departments should use timeclocks, and that the city should establish an audit committee “for increased oversight.”



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Rerig said he was surprised by the extent of the list. “When I heard we had 26 findings, I kind of fell out of my chair, myself,” he said.

At the meeting, councilwoman Carrie Theis first asked why the audit was so late, to which CPA Adam Guise replied that the delay was due to the amount of time and effort it took to get the figures reconciled.

“We weren’t comfortable with the numbers,” he said. “It took a lot of work to get those items corrected.”

But he said he was confident the final numbers in the report are correct.

“I’ve been on this council for several years, and I have not seen this many deficiencies,” she continued, adding that she also has a background in accounting.

“Some of these are basic accounting functions that concern me,” she said. “I would like to see from the staff how we’re going to address these, which ones have been addressed, and which ones are still outstanding.”

After the meeting, Rerig said he plans to come back with answers to Theis’ questions next month.

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Chamber hails Dance Center as Business of the Year

By MARY SCHLEY

AT A gala dinner staged at Quail Lodge Wednesday night, the Carmel Chamber of Commerce announced the winners of the annual Awards of Excellence, which recognize member businesses "that excel in quality service and/or products, practice the highest business ethics, foster a beautiful environment and exemplify enlightened customer service and staff relations." The winners were chosen by chamber members who voted for their favorites among three nominees in each of more than a dozen categories, and also selected a Business of the Year from the group of last year's category winners.

In Accommodations, the winner was **Quail Lodge**, with runners up Carmel Valley Ranch and La Playa Carmel. In Apparel & Jewelry, **Lloyd's Shoes Carmel** prevailed over Tiffany & Co. and The Treadmill. For Art Galleries, the **Carmel Art Association** beat out The Art of Dr. Seuss and Weston Gallery.

In the Cultural Organizations category, **Pacific Repertory Theatre** won the most votes, over the Carmel Bach Festival and the Monterey Museum of Art.

La Balena won the award for Dining, beating out Grasing's and the Rio Grill.

In Legal & Financial, **Union Bank** won over runners up Hayashi Wayland and Monterey County Bank.

In Media & Marketing, **Carmel**

Magazine beat KRML and the Shagbag Radio Show, and for Nonprofit Organizations, the **Boys & Girls Clubs of Monterey County** won over Yellow Brick Road Benefit Shop and Big Sur Land Trust.

The **Spa at Pebble Beach** won the Personal Services category over Gardener Ranch and Holman Ranch, and **Carmel Realty Co.** took the award for Real Estate, prevailing over Sotheby's and Teles Properties.

For Retail, **The Crossroads Carmel** beat out The Barnyard Shopping Village and Thinker Toys.

Bob the Printer took the award for Services to Residents & Businesses, over Adam Jeselnick Architect and the UPS Store Carmel, and **The Concours on the Avenue** prevailed in Services to Visitors over Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca and Refuge.

Folktales Winery won the Specialty Food & Wine category, beating out Bernardus Winery, The Cheese Shop and Vino Napoli.

And, finally, of all the nominees for Business of the Year — Bernardus Lodge & Spa, Fourtane Estate Jewelers, Winfield Gallery, Sunset Center, Dametra Café, Wells Fargo Bank, The Carmel Pine Cone, The Carmel Foundation, The Dance Center, Alain Pinel Realtors/Judie Profeta, Carmel Plaza, Carmel Valley Athletic Club, the Monterey Bay Aquarium, and Nielsen Bros. Market & Deli — **The Dance Center** received the most votes.



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Cops' toy drive ends Wednesday

The Crime Prevention Officers Association of Monterey County is holding its 18th annual toy drive, collecting new, unwrapped stuffed animals, games and other toys to distribute to kids in need throughout Monterey County.

The drive is running through Wednesday,

Dec. 14, and items for kids of all ages can be dropped off at the Monterey County Sheriff's Office Coastal Station at 1200 Aguajito Road, Carmel P.D. at Junipero and Fourth, Pacific Grove P.D. at 580 Pine Ave., and police departments in Sand City, the Presidio of Monterey and CSUMB.

Breakfast with Santa Saturday

THE MISSION Trail Lions of Carmel will present the 9th annual Breakfast with Santa Saturday, Dec. 17, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Carmel Youth Center, located at the southwest corner of Fourth and Torres next to the police department.

Kids will have the opportunity to meet with Santa, and they and their families can enjoy a breakfast of pancakes, sausage, fresh fruit, and hot cocoa, tea and coffee.

The Carmel Police Department will also be there to conduct Operation Kid ID, which fingerprints and photographs kids for free, so they have that information in case a child

gets lost or goes missing.

Adult admission is \$7, and kids 12 and under are \$4. A \$1-per-ticket raffle will include prizes of toys, games, a scooter and a bike.

Proceeds will benefit the Mission Trail Lions of Carmel, which is "chartered to serve the local community through voluntary service and involvement."

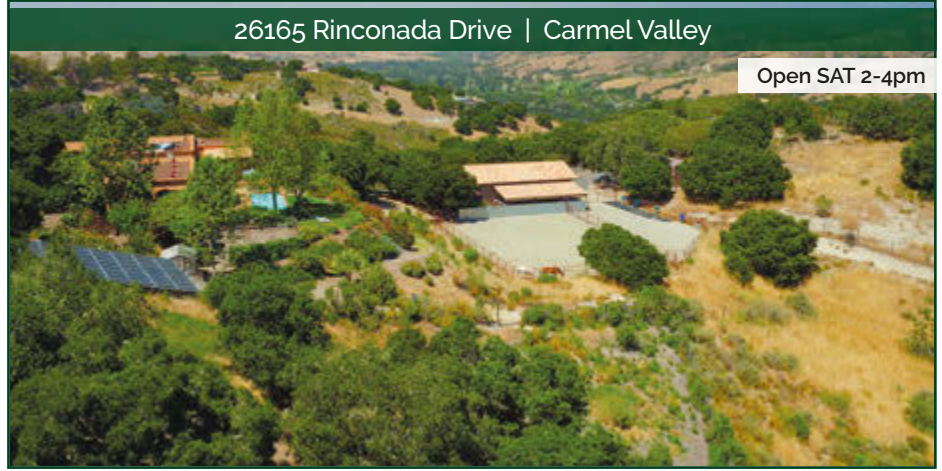
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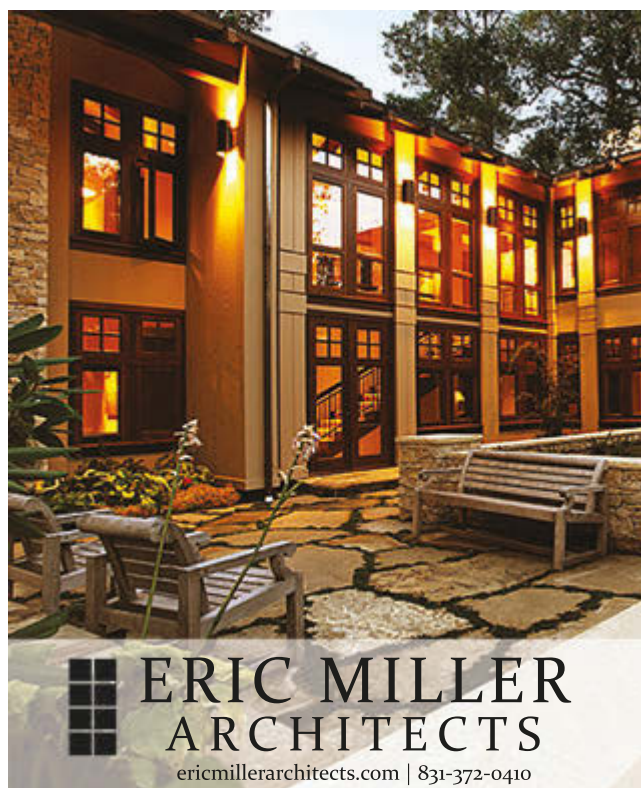
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ORGAN

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rid of them.

He had a vision for a new organ way back then, but the timing wasn't right and the pipes sat. And sat. Sadly, he died in 2006, without seeing his dream come to fruition, but Masten thinks he'd approve of the results.

As time passed, parts for the church's old pipe organ became harder and harder to find. The only way to get them was to search, like the owner of a classic car, for similar models that were being junked and cannibalize them.

Eventually, Masten said, it was time to start shopping for a new organ. How does one do that? By visiting churches that are similar in size and design of the interior and listening to music at their services. The committee, headed by Sal Di Mercurio, did precisely that.

Sounds for different rooms

As Masten and Minister of Music Abby Warburg explained, an instrument that was great in an ancient cathedral wouldn't sound right in a smaller sanctuary, and by the same token, an electric Hammond B-3 model that sounded just fine in a storefront church might not be able to fill the high ceilings of a larger building.

Even though organs can be amplified like any other instrument, microphones — even very good ones — don't pick up the entire range of sound an instrument produces. For a church in the hometown of one of the world's finest Bach festivals, it's just not the same.

The first purchase, about two years ago, was the console — the part with the key-boards and pedals. Putting in the pipes, however, was a bit more complicated.

The pipes vary in length up to 16 feet at Carmel Pres, while in larger churches, they can be as long as 64 feet. According to Di Mercurio, who has an encyclopedic knowledge of organs, one of the advantages of the hybrid is that it can produce the sound of a 32-foot pipe digitally. With its electronic sounds, it can also imitate more than 100 other instruments.

Di Mercurio said the new organ has more than 1,300 pipes, each of which had to be individually tuned. Warburg added that they'll have to be re-tuned soon, as they adjust to the climate inside the church and "settle." Interestingly, the digitally produced tones are automatically tuned to those produced by the pipes, so the organ will continue to sound harmonious as that process occurs.

The new organ was installed by the Boseman Co. of Oregon. The pipes you can see at the rear of the sanctuary are called "The Great Division," which was assembled

in Holland. Three additional divisions, or groupings, of pipes are hidden behind lowered doors, which can be opened and closed from the console to change the sound and volume of the instrument.

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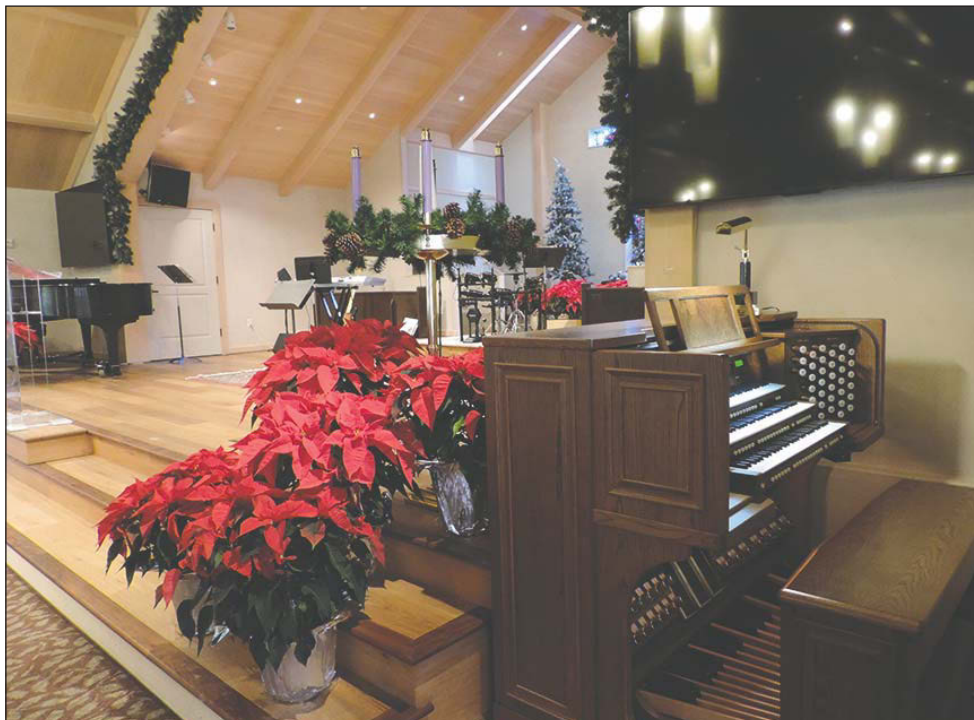
If you want to hear it in action, several choice events are coming up in addition to the church's traditional worship services at 9:30 a.m. Sunday mornings. On Thursday, Dec. 15 at 7 p.m., there will be a concert featuring The King's Brass.

Based in Fort Wayne, Ind., The King's Brass is a group of professional musicians from all over the United States, who come together to "provide innovative worship for young and old alike through the 'best in sacred brass music.'" The concert will be followed by a dessert reception, and is free and open to the public.

On Christmas Eve, there are several services, but the organ will figure in the 7 p.m. traditional one, as well as on Christmas Day at 11 a.m.

The organ will also be featured in a concert on New Year's Day at 3 p.m. by former Carmel Presbyterian organist Eun Ha Chung. Chung is currently a chapel organist at West Point, which is home to the largest all-pipe church organ in the world.

She'll be performing favorites by Bach, including "Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring," and "We Thank Thee, God," in addition to pieces by Friedrich Mendelssohn, C.S. Lang, and J. Stanley.



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Making the merriest of sounds: Carmel Presbyterian is looking forward to giving its new organ its first holiday workout, starting with a concert on Thursday, Dec. 15, with professional musicians The King's Brass. Christmas services will followed by a concert with former church organist Eun Ha Chung on Jan. 1.

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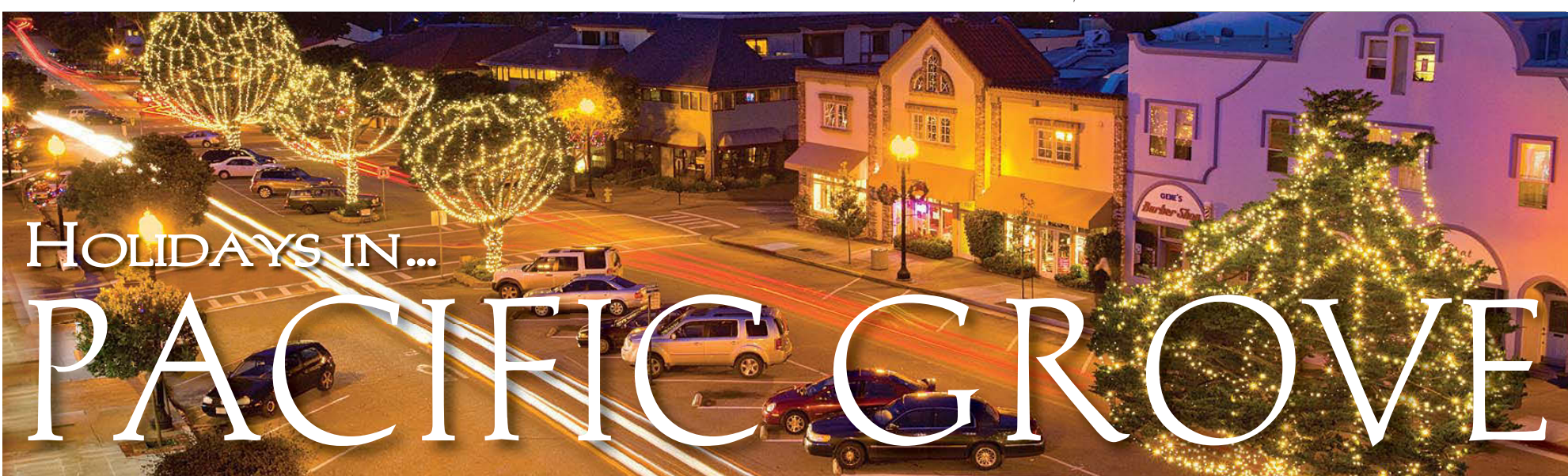
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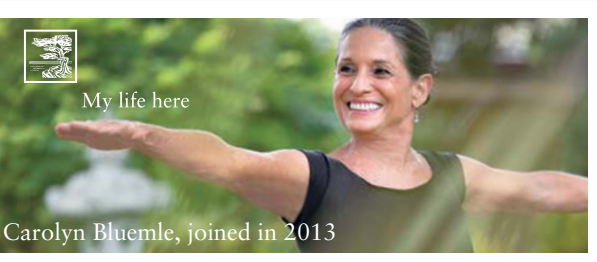
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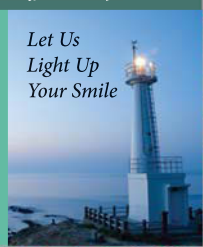
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BELLA

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been paid, or were paid "very late."

"Also, I am concerned that fundraising practices conducted by Mr. Clark and Mr. Meer have exposed the company to liability under state and federal securities laws," said Crall, not citing specific examples.

Sedgwick resigned in September before Crall's departure in November.

Furthermore, Crall issued a dire forecast for the proposed hotel, which Domaine said would mean a windfall for the City of Pacific Grove — a claim that probably encouraged voters to approve a ballot measure changing the zoning at the American Tin Cannery site to allow a hotel on the property.

"I am not optimistic the company can successfully pursue Project Bella," Crall said. "I think Mr. Clark and Mr. Meer's continued activities will have negative consequences, and I deeply regret having brought them to the project and our community."

In a statement to The Pine Cone, Domaine spokesman David Armanasco said Meer, Clark and the rest of the team "are committed to working with the City of Pacific Grove and its citizens to successfully complete project Bella in a timely manner. They remain on track to engage in the entitlement process in January. Domaine is financially sound and is fully vested in developing a very special hotel the community and visitors will benefit from and enjoy."

Clark is a retired four-star general, former NATO Supreme Allied Commander and former Democratic presidential candidate, who joined the Project Bella development team early on.

Domaine has estimated that Project Bella, a working title for the hotel, would bring in an estimated \$4 million in hotel, property and sales taxes in the first full year of operation.

'Not permitted to speak'

Crall said that he and Sedgwick retain an ownership interest in Domaine Hospitality Partners since their contract with the company doesn't allow them to "simply withdraw" from the limited liability company.

"Also, since we are no longer officers of the company we are not permitted to speak or act on its behalf," he said. "So, anything I tell you is strictly my own opinion or point of view and does not reflect the position of Domaine Hospitality Partners or its affiliates."

There's also disagreement on how Crall ended his involvement with Domaine. While Crall said he resigned, Domaine issued a press release Monday saying Crall was "removed" from the Project Bella team. Jared Ficker will replace Crall and oversee the environmental impact report for the hotel, the press release said.

Earlier this year, Domaine failed to make two payment deadlines to reimburse \$80,000 it cost the city to hold a special election for the rezoning issue. The company paid the bill about a week after The Pine Cone reported the past due notices. "Domaine is current with all of its obligations with the City of Pacific Grove," Armanasco said.

Domaine has said the hotel would include 160 room and suites. Guests would pay an average nightly room rate of \$625, according to an analysis by a consultant.

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RATES

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increased rates resulted from customer conservation during the drought not being matched with equivalent reductions in company costs, 95 percent of which are fixed.

Stedman explained that the cost of infrastructure, investment, labor, chemicals and compliance with environmental regulations, “changes very little, even though the community consumes less.”

Similarly, Cal Am’s local director of operations, Eric Sabolsice, who called the increases “significant” and said they would “be felt by our customers,” added that the company has 680 miles of water pipes to maintain, along with the

BIRDHOUSES

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taking used books and am turning them into something creative, decorative and useful. The best part is that more kids are learning to read.”

The project began nearly two years ago, when Goodman was looking for additional ways to raise money for the Community Partnership for Youth’s literary program. But her interest in the organization dates back almost seven years. Through other volunteer activities, Goodman learned about CPY and the work it does for local children and teens, providing alternatives to gangs, drugs and violence, while helping to teach, develop and reinforce individual strengths.

A gang in fifth grade

At the partnership, Goodman met kids who were overcoming all kinds of adversity through the structure and support of an afterschool mentor/tutor program, where kids learn to read and how to get their homework done — including a young man named Jaquoby Tyler who came from a troubled family, and had joined a gang by the time he was in fifth grade.

By ninth grade, his older brother was trying to get him involved in a program offered by the Community Partnership, but Tyler wasn’t all in at first.

“I thought it was a joke,” he said, “but my friend and I went. They offered me a spot in the leadership program. I needed a 2.5 GPA to participate. My friend had a 2.3, but I had .5. So, they worked with me.”

Tyler’s friend dropped out, but Tyler stuck with it. He graduated from high school with a 3.9 GPA and is now in his second year at Monterey Peninsula College, with his sights set on transferring to CSU Monterey Bay. He also works for the partnership as a site coordinator and the technology center coordinator.

Tyler’s friend — the one who dropped out — is now serving 140 years in jail for a double murder.

“I know he wishes he’d stayed with me,” said Tyler. “He’d be in college now, too. I am thankful to God for putting people in front of me to change my life.”

Successful kids

Tyler is one of hundreds of successful kids Goodman encounters as she volunteers. She now operates the holiday shopping programs, designed to raise funds and provide gifts for the kids and their families.

And, there are “Bundy’s Birdhouses,” which have raised more than \$10,000. Themes range among children’s classics, food, sports and hobbies, birds and animals, whimsy and holiday houses. Goodman, who spends an average of three to five hours and great attention to detail on each birdhouse, is happy to customize themes upon request.

“This quiet little fundraiser has become my baby,” said Goodman. “It’s a feel-good thing, which makes everyone smile. I love it, and I love that I can make a difference for Community Partnership for Youth, which makes a difference in the lives of so many children, every day.”

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The increase for the average single family residential customer will be about 32 percent, Stedman said.

Though Cal Am had sought to collect more than \$40 million from customers, a PUC administrative law judge cut that by about \$800,000.

The estimated rate increases are for the “typical” water customers. Customers eligible for Cal Am’s low-income program will pay about \$9 more per month, according to the company.

The PUC decision changes Cal Am’s rate structure in several ways that “should reduce the risk” of future under-collections like the one that customers will now make up over the next five years.

It will also “simplify” the method in which Peninsula customers are charged for water. Specifically, the ruling abandons the current residential allotment system that determines the amount of water customers are permitted to use at each

tier of the billing system according to the number of people in a household and other factors.

“Instead, a standardized system commonly used by other water companies will be implemented, in which all customers get the same amount of water at each rate tier,” according to Cal Am.

Stedman said customers can still decrease their bills through conservation, and Cal Am has many resources available to help save water in homes and businesses.

While the higher rates are expected to begin around March, Cal Am said it’s dependent on when the commission grants implementation approval.

For information about the new rate system, you may want to attend two customer workshops hosted by Cal Am at its offices at 511 Forest Lodge Road, Suite 100. They are Tuesday, Jan. 17 and Wednesday, Jan. 18, and both are at 6 p.m. For information, contact Catherine Stedman at (831) 646-3208 or catherine.stedman@amwater.com.

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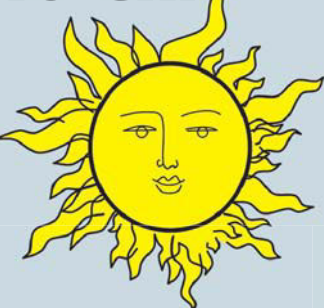


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RAMBLIN' JACK COMES BACK, REVISITS 1954 BIG SUR ROAD TRIP

By CHRIS COUNTS

SIXTY-TWO years after he first came here to meet the author of a folk song about Big Sur, Ramblin' Jack Elliott will share the stage at Golden State Theater Wednesday, Dec. 14, in Monterey with singer-songwriter John Prine.

Cast sought for big musical

SEEKING ACTORS and actresses of all ages, the Forest Theater Guild will offer auditions for parts in "Big, the Musical," Dec. 9 and 11 at the Carmel Youth Center.

Based on the 1988 Tom Hanks film, "Big," musical will open in June 2017, and Walt DeFaria will be the director.

"We are honored that [Walt] is joining us again this year and thrilled to be able to offer our participants the experience and opportunity to work with a professional of his caliber," said Yvonne Hildebrand-Bowen, the executive director of the Forest Theater Guild. To schedule an audition Friday from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. or Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., call (831) 626-1681. The youth center is located at Fourth and Torres.

The song, "The Ballad of the South Coast," became the centerpiece of Elliott's 1995 album, "South Coast," which won a Grammy Award for Best Traditional Folk Album.

"I learned the song from Frank Hamilton in a farmhouse in North Carolina," the 85-year-old Elliott told The Pine Cone. "It was written by Lillian Bos Ross, a writer who moved from the North Beach down to Big Sur. She wrote a novel ["The Stranger from Big Sur"] about a rancher who married a mail order bride."

Cowboys have more fun

When he arrived at Ross' home on Partington Ridge in Big Sur in 1954, Elliott marveled at the steady stream of visitors coming and going from the house next door.

"I asked her why so many people were knocking on her neighbor's door, and she said he was a famous author named Henry Miller, but you couldn't get his books because they were banned. I was more interested in her song, and I didn't read Henry Miller until years later when I was in Paris."

The journey was just the first of many Elliott has made to Big Sur. He's played several concerts at the Henry Miller Library in recent years — and he's even celebrated his birthday there.

By the time Elliott landed on the Ross's doorstep, he had been living a somewhat nomadic existence for nearly a decade — even though he was still in his early 20s. Born in Brooklyn to a Jewish family and expected to become a surgeon like his father, Elliott — whose birth name was Elliot Adnopo — became enthralled with the stories he read about cowboys.

"I ended up running away from home at 15, and got a job working for a traveling rodeo grooming saddle horses," recalled Elliott, who was also employed as a rigger on sailing ships before he found his calling as a folksinger with a particular talent for storytelling.

In fact, the "Ramblin'" in his name refers not to his love of travel, but his gift of gab, although either seems appropriate. Elliott is famous for veering wildly off-topic before making his point or delivering a punch line.

Elliott struck up friendship with folksinger Woody Guthrie in 1950, and even moved into his apartment — which was located in a building owned by President-elect Donald Trump's father, he observed. He also joined Guthrie on several lengthy road trips. Along the way, he became Guthrie's protege and learned as many of the master's songs

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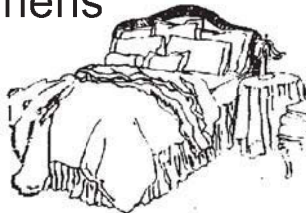
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TAMC prepares for work following approval of Measure X

THE TRANSPORTATION for Monterey County is moving ahead to implement Measure X — the road improvement measure voters approved Nov. 8 — but it will be nearly a year until crews break ground.

The first step in implementing the measure, officially called the Transportation Safety & Investment Plan, includes forging agreements, procedures and safeguards with various agencies, TAMC said.

“We are thrilled with the outcome and thank voters for recognizing the need and the importance of this measure,” Debbie Hale, executive director of TAMC, said in a statement. “Now, it’s time for us to get to work on

the next phase of the process; putting procedures and processes in place. These have to be established before we can begin to work on the projects identified in the investment plan.”

The State Board of Equalization will release the initial revenue from Measure X on July 1, 2017.

“We are hopeful that the revenues to the cities and county will enable them to start working on filling potholes and making road maintenance improvements in their communities by the fall of next year,” Hale said.

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Between 1951-1953, Howard served in the Army Medical Corps as an Ob-Gyn at Camp Polk, Leesville, La. and Fort McArthur Army Hospital in San Pedro, Ca.

After being honorably discharged from the army in April 1953, Howard completed his formal medical training at Charity Hospital in New Orleans, La., on the Louisiana State University Service in June 1955.

He then returned to St. Mary's Hospital in San Francisco to begin private practice, where he remained for his entire medical career until retirement in 1995. His retirement years in Carmel, California were happy and productive. In addition to his work in the Respect Life Commission in the Diocese of Monterey, Ca., he was active in civic affairs in Carmel, Ca. He enjoyed bridge, golf and cooking and welcoming guests to large meals, always showing a gentleness and sense of humor.

He is survived by his wife of sixty-six years, Dorothy Barrett Herning, his three daughters Marianne (Tim) Kay, Jeanne (Mike) McWalters and Elizabeth (Gregory) Vaughan, as well as his eight grandchildren: Elizabeth (Kay) Dahl, Brendan and Teresa McWalters, Caroline (George) Oliver, Katherine (Ryan) Walsh, Peter (Brooke) Vaughan, Victoria and Robert Vaughan, as well as three great-grandchildren Hazel and Emmett Dahl and Annabelle Oliver. A private funeral service took place in Monterey, California at the San Carlos Cathedral and Cemetery.

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RAMBLIN

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as he could. According to one biography, after the effects of Huntington's disease ravaged Guthrie's health, Elliott taught the legendary folksinger's songs to his young son, Arlo. When asked if the story is true, Elliott didn't exactly give a straight answer, which is another of his traits. "It's more believable than Donald Trump becoming president," he said.

Two years after Elliott's Big Sur road trip, he moved to Europe, where he captivated audiences by singing American folk and blues songs, and telling stories about of his life as a cowboy. He also recorded four albums.

Taking Dylan under his wing

By the time he returned to the United States in 1961, folk music was all the rage, and he suddenly found himself in demand as a live performer. He also visited Guthrie, who sadly was bedridden in a psychiatric

hospital. It was at Guthrie's bedside where Elliott met another young Guthrie admirer, Bob Dylan.

Like Elliott, Dylan had abandoned his birth name and reinvented himself as a wandering folksinger. Just as Guthrie had mentored Elliott, the latter took the future greatest songwriter of his generation under his wing. Like Elliott with Guthrie, Dylan was a dutiful student. Elliott, meanwhile, has casually referred to Dylan over the years as "my son."

In 1975, Dylan — by now an established rock superstar and recluse who had stopped performing live years before — asked Elliott to join him, Joan Baez and the Byrds' Roger McGuinn on what became known as the Rolling Thunder Tour. It stopped at venues large and small, some a bit out of the way, and others with little advance notice in late 1975 and early 1976. A film crew followed, and with Dylan back on stage, the media covered the tour's every move.

The tour lifted Elliott out of relative oblivion and introduced him to a younger generation of music fans, cementing his place in music history as a link between Guthrie and Dylan.

Today, a long list of musicians credit Elliott with influencing their careers, including Mick Jagger, Eric Clapton, and Bruce Springsteen.

Long after most musicians have left the road behind, Elliott continues to chase his next destination. How does he do it at his age, you might ask? "Rental cars and motels," he deadpanned.

But Elliott would prefer to stay out of the bright lights of big cities. "I like places that are off the beaten path," he said, citing Big Sur as an example. "I don't places that are overrun with crowds, like L.A., New York and Paris. The only way I like crowds is if they pay me."

HURDLES

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ving. "With enough biceps strength, I could get into a vehicle and use hand controls," she said. "It's kind of scary."

Short continues to become less reliant on others to help her with simple tasks — but sometimes, she forgets how much progress she has made. "Sometimes I will ask for something, then say, 'Wait, I can do that now,'" she added.

Short's photography is showcased in her latest holiday calendar, which can be ordered at <http://www.rachaelshort.com>

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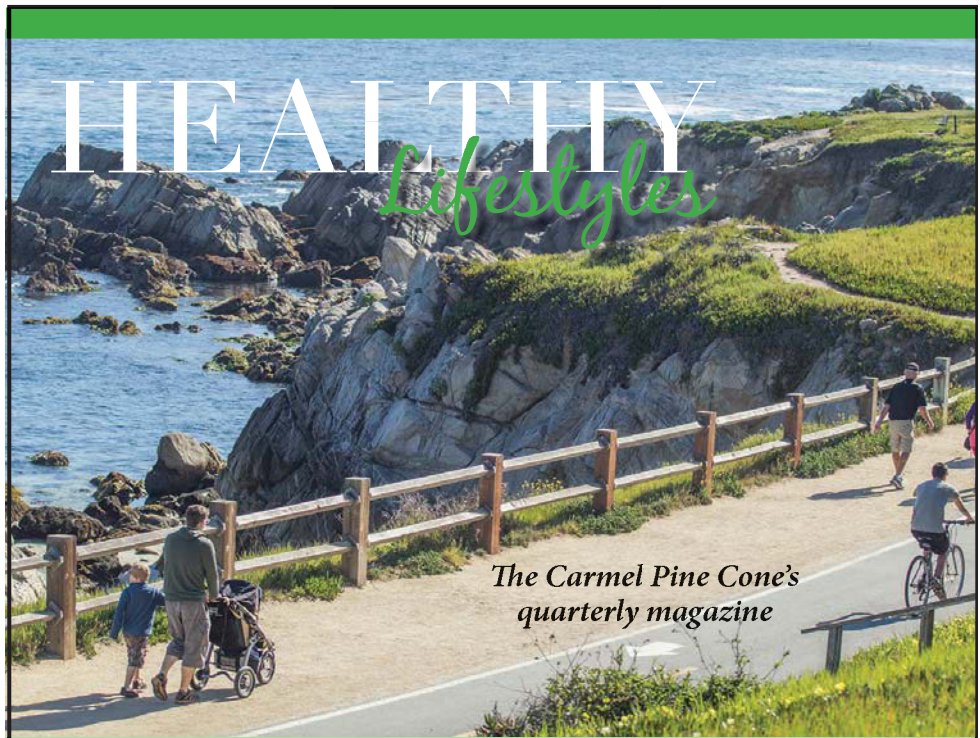
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HONORED

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was the focal point of the celebration and featured floats, marching bands, former Mayor Clint Eastwood riding the Wells Fargo stagecoach, and dozens of other elements.

"Your creativity is quite extraordinary," she said. "Even though you're a relative newcomer to Carmel-by-the-Sea, you really embraced our parade and represented what the Carmel spirit was through the parade." She called it, "world class."

Honoring former councilwoman Barbara Livingston, council member Jan Reimers called her idea of holding a street dance at the end of the day's celebration "truly inspired, as it brought the community together and reflected the Bohemian spirit of Carmel."

"It made the culmination of the centennial so festive and special," she said. "It was

absolutely the frosting on the cake."

Finally, councilwoman Carolyn Hardy presented a key to Sue McCloud. "There could not have been a better person to appoint to the centennial committee than our former mayor," she said. "The energy that you put into this really brought a lot of civic pride to us." Hardy noted that McCloud "became a master of attention to detail."

Calhoun receives proclamation

After the committee and council members posed for photos, city administrator Chip Rerig left the dais to honor Calhoun, who joined Carmel P.D. as a police officer in 1984, became a field training officer, and was promoted to sergeant in 2002. He went on to become commander, and then chief after his predecessor, George Rawson, retired.

Rerig also noted Calhoun's participation in local service groups and charities, "and that's just really beginning to skim the sur-

face of what this gentleman has done for the community."

Rerig called Calhoun an "incredible leader and mentor and friend, not just to folks in public safety, but to the entire enterprise, to the entire organization."

He presented a proclamation to the chief, who thanked the council and the public.

"I forged a lot of relationships over the years, and I want to especially thank the city staff," he said. "I have shared a lot of memories and experiences with them."

"My loyalty was always to Carmel, and even though I don't live in Carmel, Carmel is my home away from home and always will be," he said.

BIG SUR

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important positions."

One of the positions that was once filled but is now open is a local wilderness manager. "The Monterey Ranger District of Los Padres National Forest is 80 percent wilderness, but there's no wilderness manager," he noted.

Could interns make a difference?

To address the manpower shortage, Splain suggests creating an internship program. "Administering campgrounds and picnic areas could serve as an ideal stepping stone for interns pursuing careers in the forest service.

Splain called the forest service's decision to increase its reliance on private concessionaires "sad" and a "missed opportunity" to find a way to operate its own facilities.

Ultimately, Splain warned, the federal agency will need to confront its manpower shortage.

"If there's not enough money for people in the field, bad things are going to happen, and people are going to get hurt," he said.

TRAIL

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"Also, we often walk our kindergartner to River School through the Mission Trail Nature Preserve. Being able to continue our walk on this pathway would greatly add to our enjoyment of our carless commute once we cross Rio Road," he said. "Other families we know living in Carmel-by-the-Sea feel the same way."

Resident Kevin D'Angelo said he is "super excited to have a safer way to Safeway."

"It's a small stretch, but it certainly circumvents an unsafe, un-pedestrian-friendly segment of road," he said.

Mayor Steve Dallas said he'd like to move forward to get the project "shovel ready," and then "start trying to find that money."

Councilwoman Jan Reimers made a motion to move forward with the required legal agreements and negotiations, and the rest of the council agreed.

"We've come a long way and just need to tie up loose ends," councilwoman Carrie Theis said. "This is marvelous, so I wholeheartedly agree."



Elizabeth Cartwright Gerritsen

1955 ♦ 2016

Elizabeth Cartwright Gerritsen's spirit passed on courageously from her human form on the morning of Wednesday, November 30th, at home with her family. Elizabeth, more commonly known as Liz, was born in 1955 and raised as a fifth generation Marysville, California native.

Moving to the coast as soon as she was able, Liz created her homes in Santa Cruz and Carmel, California, and Coupeville, Washington over the course of her 61 years with us.

Her heart was soothed by peacefulness and play. When she wasn't immersed in the duties of raising a family, defending causes, and running businesses, she could be found exercising her love of water over the course of her life via surfing, swimming, kayaking, and walking on the beach daily with her faithful stream of canines.

With twinkling eyes, a contagious smile, and irrepressible laughter, Liz could be found anywhere just by listening for giggles.

She related to the world with her sensitive heart, through unbridled humor, and an earnest passion for all living creatures.

She is survived by her husband of 34 years, Hans Gerritsen, their daughter Marieke, son-in-law Daniel, granddaughter Juniper Byrd McGovern, and Tilly the "Terrierist".

Memorial services will be held in Coupeville, WA in December, Carmel, CA in January, and in Holland in February. Family and friends are encouraged to share memories and condolences at www.whidbeymemorial.com.

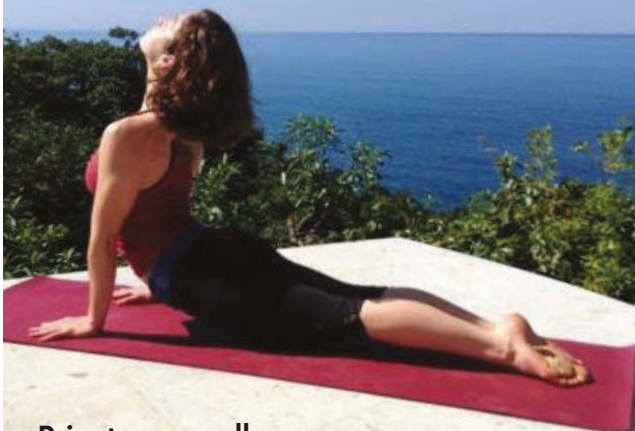
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Editorial

First things first

ONE OF California's most significant land use cases is one you've probably never heard of. It's also a case that offers an ironic and painfully tragic perspective on the Ghost Ship warehouse fire that took 36 lives last weekend.

In 1997, preservationists in Oakland sued that city for approving demolition of a decrepit Montgomery Ward store in the Fruitvale neighborhood. The old store, which had also served as a shipping warehouse, was once a thriving commercial center of 950,000 square feet, and represented a time when Oakland was a bustling city of industry, manufacturing and blue collar jobs. Built in 1923, the massive building was Montgomery Ward's first branch in California, and was designed in a stately, Arts and Crafts style that belied its utilitarian purpose.

By 1986, however, Montgomery Ward had ceased operations on the site, which fell into a state of abject disrepair, leading the city to acquire the property and decide to tear down the building so it could be replaced with a school.

That's when the city's preservationists stepped in, successfully arguing in court that the Montgomery Ward building qualified for special treatment as an "historic resource" under the California Environmental Quality Act, and therefore could not be torn down without an exhaustive and costly EIR.

The decision required Oakland to spend a warehouse full of money and exert a tremendous amount of effort before it finally succeeded in demolishing the old place in 2000 and replacing it with the Cesar Chavez Education Center. Not only that, the decision also opened up a new era of historic preservation law in California, forcing property owners up and down the state to go through years of expense and trouble before they could get permits to make changes or tear down their "historic" buildings — even ones of much less significance than the old Montgomery Ward place. And they have Oakland's preservation activists to thank.

Little did we know that, while the people of Oakland were bending over backward to make sure nobody tore down an old store a few people happened to be fond of, they were letting the very same Fruitvale neighborhood fill up with sub-standard crash pads for down-on-their luck "artists" — places that turned out to be potential death traps for the people who live in them or who visit to get a dose of counterculture vibe. One of those tinderboxes, as we all know, left behind three-dozen barely recognizable corpses when it burned up during a party last Friday night.

The irony is that the Montgomery Ward historic preservation decision helped create California's Byzantine maze of land use rules — rules that have come to regulate everything, from what color you can paint your house, to what you can plant in your yard. Originally, building codes were developed by experts to protect the safety of a structure's occupants, but in the last 30 years, they've become much more about giving community activists veto power over anything they don't happen to like — a function that may have started in Oakland, but which has spread to every corner of California. In the process, we've now learned, the original health and safety purpose of land use rules can be tragically forgotten.

Government should never forget its basic purposes. If officials and activists want to protect historic structures or put restrictions on the fine points of architecture and landscaping, fine. But while they're obsessing over such indulgences, do they have to let innocent people die?

BEST of BATES



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Why Farr is wrong about short-term rentals

Dear Editor,

Sam Farr has recently spoken out against short-term rentals. We think he is wrong on this one.

Farr says that campgrounds and RV sites are the answer to visitors who cannot afford costly hotel stays in Big Sur. This elitist approach opposes what the Coastal Act calls for and what we think Monterey County residents want. The Coastal Act says that the coast is for all people, not just those who are lucky enough to own property on the coast (as Farr does) or who can afford luxury hotels. Short-term rentals are a "middle ground."

Farr says the Big Sur Local Coastal Plan was never intended to allow short-term rentals, but that isn't what the LCP says. The purpose of the LCP was to prevent develop-

ment, such as large hotels, not to prevent home sharing in already existing structures. Farr runs a wedding venue on the Big Sur coast, hosting rather large events in this remote area. Where do many of the guests at the events on his property stay? In vacation rentals! Short-term rentals are one way to accommodate visitors by using current structures for an ever-growing visiting public. Accordingly, the Coastal Commission recently ordered the county to create a short-term rental ordinance. The Monterey County Vacation Rental Alliance agrees! MCVRA does not, however, support permitting events in residential areas, because large events, not family visits, cause inevitable problems.

MCVRA agrees with Farr's call for more affordable housing. However, inflation and property values have priced coastal homes out of the "affordable" housing inventory long ago. MCVRA urges the County to work with employers to permit and construct affordable housing, rather than passing the buck on to local homeowners whose homes will never provide workforce housing.

Short-term rentals allow younger and less wealthy folks to continue living in Big Sur as landowners, as they provide a livelihood. Additionally, the rentals allow homeowners the use of their homes some of the time, while renting them out when vacant. "Luxury taxes" and other proposals to make such rentals impossible head in exactly the wrong direction.

Richard Matthews, President Monterey County Vacation Rental Alliance

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IF YOU GO TO CHRISTMAS IN THE ADOBES, SAY HI TO GERRY WEST

SHE DIDN'T think her story was very interesting, but Michael Green, the interpretive program manager at Monterey State Historic Park — the official name of the collection of adobes and other historic buildings that dot the Monterey area, like Colton Hall and the Custom House — begged to differ. He said volunteer docent Gerry West would be "a great candidate" for this column.

The Pine Cone caught up with the Mission Fields resident at the Robert Louis Stevenson house in Monterey, doing what a lot of other volunteers were doing this week — getting the historic home ready for Christmas in the Adobes on Dec. 9 and 10.

Just as happens at many homes throughout the Peninsula this time of year, they were dragging containers of decorations out of storage and going through the contents. Freshly-cut pine branches were being separated and draped about the residence, awaiting visitors to this one of 22 adobes that will be open to those who purchase tickets for the event.

It's an annual fundraiser for the park's education programs and provides visitors the opportunity to enter many adobes not usually open to the public. They're festively decked out for the occasion, and costumed docents share the buildings' histories.

North to Alaska

West and two of her longtime friends and fellow volunteers, Toy Bryant and Maureen Bianchini, were bustling about, testing battery-powered candles and looking for more artificial fruit to augment the assortment of plastic grapes in a crystal bowl on the dining room table.

Pulling out a piece of paper on which she'd written notes in anticipation of the interview, West sat down on a folding chair. She began ticking off the events of her life in chronological order, starting with earning her bachelor's degree in English at Wayne State University in Detroit, Mich.

For the next few decades, she would teach or substitute-teach kindergarteners through fourth-graders. It started with a pretty rough neighborhood in east Detroit, but West sur-

vived. She met and married her husband, a surveyor, and moved with him to Alaska for his job.

She substitute-taught there and also worked as a legal secretary for Mike Stepovitch, who was the former territorial governor. The couple lived in a cabin her husband built himself, and they had to rough it a little in the process. But she brushed aside any notion that that was especially admirable. "A lot of people do that up there," she said.

Great Lives

By ELAINE HESSER

They enjoyed the area, and West took some classes at the University of Alaska to further her education. But once they started a family, they thought it would be better for the kids to move "down the coast a bit."

Victorian garb

During a work-related trip, her husband discovered the delights of the Monterey Peninsula and the family soon moved here. They raised their three children, and for 30 years, West estimated she also touched the lives of more than 700 elementary school kids she taught in the Monterey district.

In her spare time, West has volunteered with Hospice, driving patients around, and leading groups with Griefbusters, a program for children who have lost a loved one or who are dealing with a natural disaster or other tragedy. She's also volunteered with the Red Cross, cooking and helping with housing after a forest fire.

She started volunteering with the state park system about 20 years ago part-time as a volunteer storekeeper at Cooper Molera. She moved to the Stevenson house not long after, and has become pretty knowledgeable about the author. She was very much looking forward to donning Victorian garb for Christmas in the Adobes.

It's always part of West's December,

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Gerry West (center) with fellow volunteers Toy Bryant (left) and Maureen Bianchini at the Stevenson House in Monterey, where they're preparing for Christmas in the Adobes.

PHOTO/ELAINE HESSER

A Sensational Centennial

By THE CARMEL CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

IT SEEMS hard to believe 11 months have passed since we were holding a ceremony in front of the World War I arch to officially launch Carmel-by-the-Sea's Centennial. What a year it has been, dramatically concluded (almost!) by the memorable parade, luncheon and street dance, all held on Oct. 29.

Along the way, the celebratory year has been punctuated by a variety of familiar events as well as those unique. In the latter category, we would have to single out the October performance of the "Abalone Club" at the Forest Theater, written and directed by the indefatigable Walt deFaria, plus the birth of the street dance, an event many hope will become an annual happening.

We are very appreciative to the groups, organizations, individuals and staff who have given of their time and energies in so many ways to commemorate the Centennial, salute Carmel-by-the-Sea for all its rich history, and help the celebration carry on from January right through December. In the process, we have demonstrated that it does take a village and, as we have heard from so many, it has rekindled our shared village pride.

Centennial Nuggets of Note

The deadline to participate in the "100 Photos Project" is Dec. 31. The Committee

is looking for your photos — color or black and white, and 4-inches-by-6-inches — taken this year that tell the story of Carmel-by-the-Sea in 2016. They will be used as part of the city's new time capsule to be buried in early 2017, with the official date and location yet to be decided. Photos can be dropped off at City Hall or the circulation desks at either the Harrison Memorial or Park Branch libraries. For more information, contact Peter Hiller at (831) 624-3284.

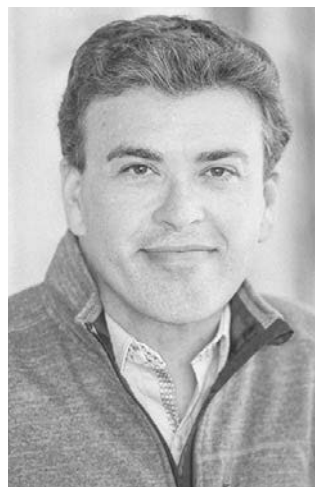
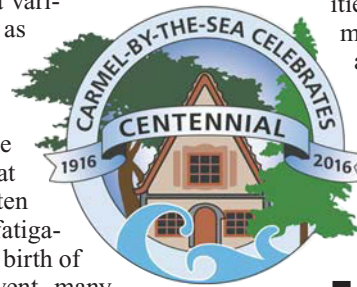
If you wish to relive the festivities from Oct. 29, or may have missed them altogether, a DVD is available. It sells for \$20.81 (including tax) and can be purchased at Carmel City Hall from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday or through the Carmel Centennial website, www.carmelcentennial.com.

Photographer Michael Troutman thoroughly documented Oct. 29 in pictures. To see the images available visit <http://dmtimaging.com/2016/carmelcentennialcelebration.htm>. To order photographs, contact Troutman at (831) 596-7569 or email him at dmt@dmtimaging.com.

The remaining "Procession of Artists" flags and a couple of the "street signs" — the very ones that were marched in the parade — along with a variety of the centennial souvenirs are available for purchase at Carmel City Hall and on the Centennial website.

"A Village in the Pine Forest: Carmel-by-the-Sea" is a commemorative 20-page brochure compiled for the Centennial by

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DANCES

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weekend, and he proposed having it at the end of the art festival weekend in May.

"I would like to see it moved to a Sunday night," he said. "That would get more locals involved, and bring in more [hotel taxes]."

Councilwoman Carolyn Hardy said she likes the idea of rotating locations, so various downtown streets and businesses benefit from the activity and crowds the dance would bring.

But she wondered if Sunday would work as well as

Saturday would. "People don't necessarily want to come out," she said. "I don't know if attendance would be as good." She also noted that the point of the street dance was and should be to bring residents and business people together, not to attract more tourists.

Councilwoman Jan Reimers surmised Sundays would work if the dance were held a little earlier, like 4 to 7 p.m., instead of the commission's suggested 5 to 8 p.m., so kids could attend but still get to bed on time.

Carrie Theis, a hotel owner who has been on the council the longest, agreed regarding holding the dance in a different part of downtown each time.

"That's always been a general concern, is getting people off of Ocean to discover the rest of the business district," she said. Theis also speculated that Saturday would be a better bet than Sunday for getting locals to take part.

Mayor Steve Dallas said he "really loved" the centennial street dance. "I think locals and businesses really came together," he said. "I would like to see a spring one, a fall one, and a holiday party," rather than just have a single street dance each year.

Community activities director Janet Bombard said she would take the council's suggestions back to the cultural commission. "We can explore all the options that you have put out there tonight," she said.

After some amount of discussion by the cultural commission, and perhaps more input from the council, Bombard said she would develop an event plan to be reviewed by the commission before coming to the council for final approval.

APPOINTED

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And at their Nov. 1 meeting, council members also voted to appoint builder Al Saroyan to the forest and beach commission, and Alex Heisinger to the historic resources board. Saroyan replaced Maggie Eaton, who resigned, and Heisinger replaced Julie Wendt, who was appointed to the planning commission. Saroyan and Heisinger expressed interest in serving on either commission.

A licensed architect, general contractor and real estate broker who has been designing in and building in Carmel for nearly three decades, Saroyan has lived in town since 1988. His application mostly addressed historic preservation, rather than issues related to the forest and beach, but in his letter, Saroyan noted that his extensive experience in design and construction here has included "success building among the many protected trees in our forest." He said he's familiar with the general plan and city ordinances, and the coastal commission, and believes he "can effectively analyze and contribute objectively as a commissioner."

Heisinger, whose family came to Big Sur in the 1880s and moved to Carmel in the 1930s, holds a Bachelor of Science degree in real estate and land use affairs, with a minor in history. He attended Carmel schools before going to college at Sacramento State University.

"Our historic properties are unique in their architecture and the stories they tell," he wrote in his application. "As a real estate professional working in this community, I've become intimately familiar with our historic inventory and the processes involved in selecting these homes and buildings."

While letters of recommendation for appointments are practically unheard of, former city councilman Gerard Rose submitted one on his behalf. Rose said he has known Heisinger since he was a child and commended his professionalism, work ethic and dedication.

"But it is his love of Carmel-by-the-Sea that makes him qualified to serve our city," he said. "As a member of a city commission, he will carry out his duties with a cool head, and always with common sense."



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because it combines her love of history with support for education.

Travel and lifelong learning are high on her list, too. She's been to India and China, and through the national Road Scholar program, spent six weeks in Florence, Italy last year to experience the region and learn the language. When asked if she spoke Italian now, she laughed. "No," she said.

She's also been spending time researching her late husband's genealogy and discovered that one of his ancestors fought alongside Ethan Allen, of Vermont's Green Mountain Boys, in the American Revolution.

West frequently mentioned how much she admires and respects her fellow volunteers. "I like the people I work with. A lot of them are retired teachers," she said. She made sure her colleagues had a chance to show off their extensive knowledge of Stevenson's life and times.

One story they shared was that the prolific author was also a lawyer. The only time he used his skill in that area was to legally give his November birthday to a little girl who was born on Christmas Day, so she'd have a special day all her own.

At the end of the interview, West insisted that Bryant and Bianchini should be in the

photo with her. And she invited everyone who wants to, to come out and "have the opportunity to experience the ambiance of the past," at Christmas in the Adobes. For more information, go to <https://www.parks.ca.gov/Events/Details/7652>.

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

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local authors Kathryn Gualtieri and Lynn A. Momboisse. It summarizes the town's history by decades in text and photos, and is available for \$7 at the Carmel Visitor Center in Carmel Plaza, Carmel City Hall, Carmel Heritage Society, and at www.CarmelCentennial.com. All proceeds go to the city.

Finally, the Carmel Centennial Committee wishes to extend a huge debt of gratitude to publisher Paul Miller and his entire crew for providing this space to us each month over the past year. We greatly appreciate the opportunity to reach Pine Cone readers with our news and updates about the Centennial. It has been our pleasure, and we wish everyone Happy Holidays and a prosperous New Year — the start of Carmel-by-the-Sea's journey to its Bicentennial in 2116!

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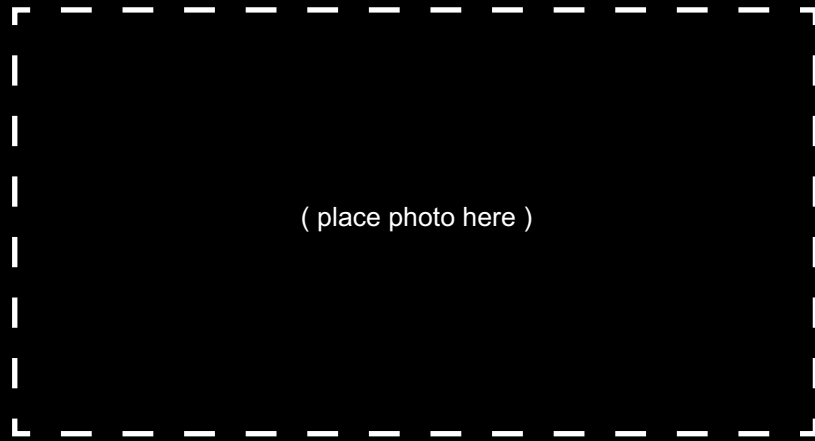
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Holiday GUIDE

Twelve days, a big budget and true love come together on Ocean Avenue

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

THE TWELVE Days of Christmas" is an early carol, thought to be French, that was originally published as a chant in 18th-century England. In 1909, it was set to a melody by composer Frederic Austin.

The 12 days span the period from Christmas to January 6 or "Twelfth Night," the eve of Epiphany, which celebrates the visit of the Magi to the baby Jesus.

PNC Wealth, a banking and investment firm, publishes an annual report of the total cost of each of the 12 gifts, as well as the cumulative cost — that is, if the partridge in a pear tree were sent all 12 days, the two turtle doves were sent 11 days, and so on. In 2015, the total was \$34,131, and the cumulative total was \$155,400.

The Pine Cone decided to introduce its own — highly local — interpretation of the gifts, and you'd better get started now.

■ A partridge in a pear tree

At Griggs Nursery in Carmel Valley, bare-root pear trees, dormant during winter-time and available in January, are \$29. For \$8-\$13 you also can pick up a ceramic bird and call it a partridge. Nobody will judge you.

■ Two turtledoves

It's All About the Chocolate, on Dolores between Seventh and Ocean, sells chocolate turtles, a confection of chocolate-covered caramels with nuts, for \$6.50 a pound. Some people even call them "turtledoves." And, if you make them yourself, using Dove-brand

chocolate, it's even more legit.

■ Three French hens

"A French hen is, essentially, a chicken," said Chris Olow who, with his wife JoAnn, has owned Hacienda Hay & Feed Co. in Carmel Valley since 1999. "I guess the closest would be the Faverolle, since it's a French

breed of chicken." The Olow's are accepting reservations at \$5 each for baby chicks, and the first batch will arrive in late February.

■ Four calling birds

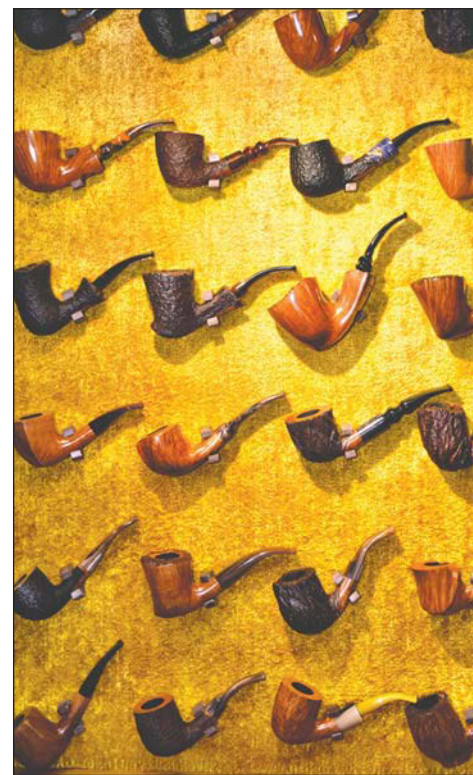
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perched inside, offering birdsong. Both antique and contemporary, they range from \$1,500 to \$11,000. Now that's true love.

■ Five golden rings

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If you're not too literal about it, it's entirely possible to assemble your own collection of gifts from the carol, "The 12 Days of Christmas," without leaving Carmel. For example, a nutcracker can stand in for one of the drummers drumming (left), while faux calling birds in a gilded cage (center) and handmade pipes, not piping, are all available right here in town.

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Pirates, magic spatulas and art — your holiday gift list solved

By ELAINE HESSER

WHAT TO get the reader in your life? How about a book by a local author? River House Books in the Crossroads carries many such works, and sent a list of popular titles to The Pine Cone, which threw in one or two of its own picks for good measure.

Alissandra Dramov and Lynn Momboisse came out with “**Historic Homes and Inns of Carmel-by-the-Sea**” earlier this year. Although it’s a slim volume at just 94 pages, it lists dozens of local structures built between the 1880s and the 1960s, and is nicely illustrated with color photos by the authors.

The book is organized by the areas of town where the houses are located, so it’s

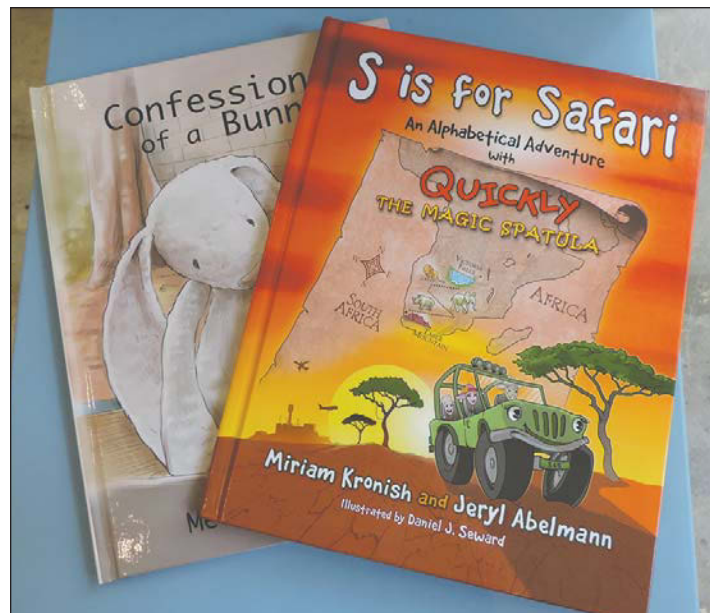
great for students of architecture and casual strollers alike. It will open readers’ eyes to historic buildings right in front of them. Dramov also wrote “**Carmel-by-the-Sea, The Early Years (1903-1913)**,” published in 2013.

Local history buffs might also enjoy Todd Cook’s “**The Pirate History of Monterey Bay**.” Going beyond the notorious Hippolyte Bouchard attack of 1818, Cook investigates the possibility of an Elizabethan pirate landing at Pebble Beach and a shipwreck in Carmel Bay.

In addition to being a good read, it works well as a guidebook to the various sites Cook discusses.

For the art lover in your life, Carmel artist Kalika Alper has published a lovely coffee

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Have you ever thought about going on safari with a magic spatula? Well, the authors of the kids’ book “S is for Safari” have. Or, read with your little one about the confessions of Bun Bun, a stuffed rabbit.

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HOLIDAY GUIDE

It's a plant — but why is it a Christmas plant?

By ELAINE HESSER

SO, YOU enjoyed the tree lighting on Friday, Dec. 2. And you even enjoyed the hubbub over the planting of the city's new official Christmas tree that will start doing the honors in the near future. Do you ever wonder why on earth people decorate trees at Christmas in the first place?

Really, what person first looked at a pine tree, minding its own business in the forest, and said, "Hey, let's chop that thing down and take it inside, maybe put some flammable ornaments and candles on it ...?"

It goes back to ancient times, predating Christianity. People saw evergreens as a little magical, especially in midwinter as the days got shorter and shorter. Many cultures and peoples brought them indoors, including the

Romans during Saturnalia, their epic celebration of the winter solstice. They especially venerated holly, and used it to decorate.

At some point during the 1500s — no one's really sure when — Germans started bringing trees indoors and decorating them with apples and nuts. And the fine folks at St. Philip's can likely tell you that Martin Luther is credited with first putting candles on a Christmas tree, to mimic the bright stars he saw outside.

The Germans brought their traditions to villages and homes in Pennsylvania in the 1700s, but the Christmas tree didn't really catch on in the U.S. until Queen Victoria and Prince Albert were portrayed next to their tree in 1846, in jolly old England. East Coast society types joined in, wanting to be fash-

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They're not really flowers, you know, but "bracts" just doesn't have that holiday feel to it. Read on to find out how poinsettias became part of our botanical Christmas customs, along with pine trees and mistletoe.

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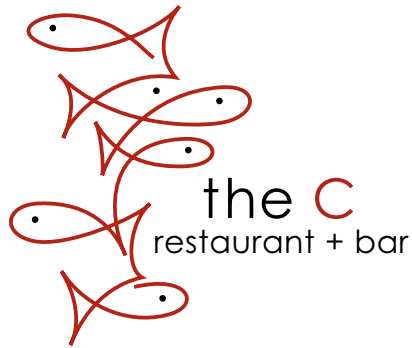
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Ghosts of Christmas Past: 1916

By DENNIS TAYLOR

A WONDERFUL gesture depicting the spirit of goodwill toward men appeared in *The Pine Cone* a century ago, on Dec. 6, 1916, in the form of this classified ad:

“A man’s undergarment that was left at Carmel Barber Shop can be retrieved by paying the cost of this ad.”

How and why the unfortunate man got separated from his underwear at a barber shop is a mystery historians might never sort out. What’s clear, though, is that a businessman was filled with sufficient human kindness, and perhaps holiday spirit, to reunite the two.

Pine Cones published in each of the four weeks of December in 1916 are brimming with evidence of neighborly affection and familiarity in a tiny, tight-knit community. A Carmelite couldn’t lose his underpants in those days without making news and attracting compassion.

Indeed, what locals treasured 100 years ago, in an era before radio (Marconi opened the world’s first radio factory just four years earlier), was the company of each other, an asset they celebrated in every week on the pages of the town’s one-year-old weekly newspaper.

“Dr. and Mrs. J.E. Beck had as their Thanksgiving guests Mrs. Nellie Fairley, son Herbert, and Mr. Stegeman — all of whom motored over from Salinas — along with Mr. and Mrs. Roger W. Ball,” announced the Dec. 6 Pine Cone. “After a swell dinner, the party played cards. Mrs. Ball captured the ladies prize, with Mr. Ball taking the honors for the gentlemen.”

A few blocks away, Mrs. Mabel Gray Young was preparing the fourth in her series of musicales, a 3 p.m. matinee at her home for the benefit of the Red Cross Fund. The

program would include her renditions of “Papillons” by Schumann, “Etudes” by Chopin, and “Gavotte” by Bach.

Meanwhile, students in Miss Stella Danielson’s class at “the public school” rehearsed their Christmas presentation of “Old Scrooge.”

On the first Thursday of December, the three women who operated Carmel’s School of Dramatic Art entertained “an appreciative audience” at Seventh and Lincoln, the home of Mrs. Sydney Yard, who performed a series of dramatic readings for the holidays.

“The lady read Galsworthy’s ‘Bit o’ Love,’ and brought out with fine interpretation the pathos, tragedy and final spiritual triumph of the story,” wrote the reviewer in *The Pine Cone*.

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HOLIDAY GUIDE

Whether it's warming a cold evening or melting hearts, chocolate is a great gift

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

SURE, FOLKS around here are passionate about lots of things — beach fires, canine couture and who makes the best Pinot Noir. But one of the most fervent, obsessive, and sometimes seductive love stories is the dark and dreamy romance of chocolate. And it started more than a century ago.

On December 6, 1916, a tiny Carmel Candy Store ad, located on the lower left cor-

ner of the last page of The Pine Cone, offered buttermilk-chocolate — which, admittedly, didn't sound all that great — at \$1 a pound. One hundred years later, a recent addition to the number of shops selling fresh and imported chocolate has created what some are calling a “chocolate-covered Carmel.” But you're going to spend more than \$1.

Earlier this year, Wharf Chocolates in

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For decades, locals and tourists alike have enjoyed the aromas and colors of fudge, toffee and other treats at the Cottage of Sweets.

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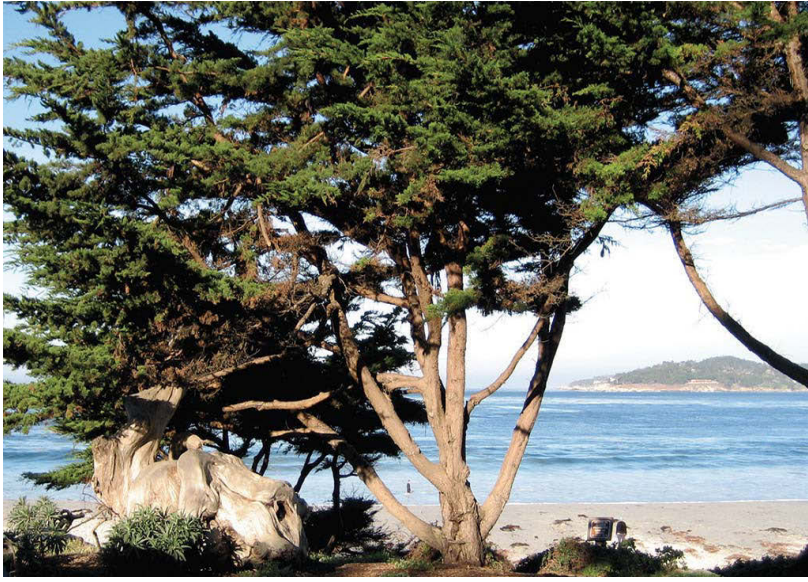
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PLANTS

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ionable, and by the early 1900s, the tradition was firmly rooted here in the states.

At Valley Hills and Griggs Nurseries, you'll find a variety of poinsettias in full bloom — although that word, "bloom," isn't technically accurate. What people often think of as flowers are leaves, called bracts, that have turned colors in reaction to the shorter days of winter.

In Mexico, where the plant originated, it became associated with Christmas in the 1600s, and in Spanish was called the Flor de Noche Buena — the Christmas Eve flower. The legend goes that a poor young girl had no gift to offer the Christ child on Christmas Eve. She gathered some weeds, made a bouquet and left them at the altar in the church, where they miraculously turned into the beautiful red plant.

They came to the United States in 1825 via Joel Roberts Poinsett, the first U.S. minister to Mexico. He shared them with friends and family, and they've been cultivated here ever since.

As you walk into the lobbies of the beautifully decorated inns and restaurants the next few weeks, you may want to glance up and either run to — or away from — any displays of mistletoe, depending on the situation. It grows wild as a parasite in trees and is pretty common around here. But how did it become a "kiss here" sign?

Like other plants that stay green in winter, it held a fascination for ancient people, who associated it with healing, good luck and fertility. One Norse legend says that the berries saved the life of the goddess Frigga's son, Balder — ironic, since they're poisonous to us mortals — and she was so overjoyed that she blessed the plant and promised a kiss to anyone who walked under it.

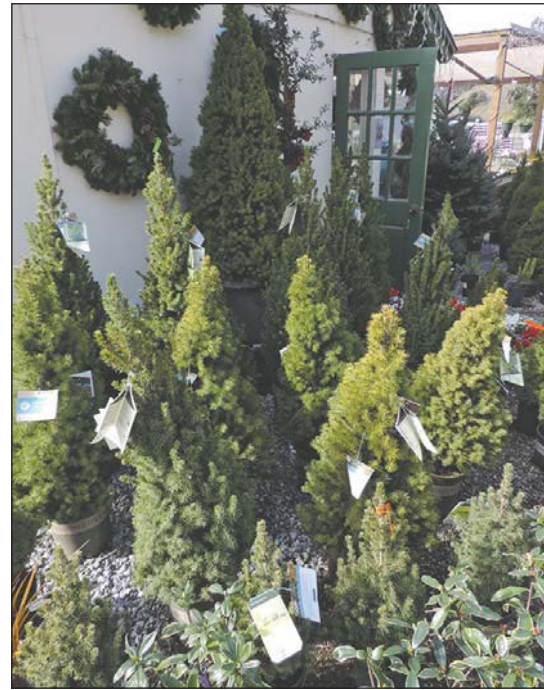
A few other stories and legends about kissing under the mistletoe at Christmas exist, but everyone seems to

agree that in 18th-century England, the custom was popular among the working class. It wasn't terribly egalitarian at the time — any woman caught under the mistletoe was required to accept a kiss from any man who asked, and if she refused, the superstition was that she wouldn't marry in the coming year.

For some women, that was probably an incentive to just say no.

Amaryllis, Christmas cactus and cyclamen seem to have become associated with the season, because that's when they bloom, often in bright shades of red. There's one very important caution as you're picking out your holiday plants. Mistletoe, poinsettia, holly, cyclamen and amaryllis are all toxic, and should be kept away from children and pets.

That said, they're inexpensive ways to add pretty splashes of color to your holiday mantle, greet guests at your front door, or line a windowsill. And now you can share their stories at the next cocktail party, too.



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Whether you trim a live tree or a plastic one, you have the Germans to thank for the piney proliferation this time of year.

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MELTS

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Monterey opened **All About the Chocolate** on Dolores. The expansive space, with paint that looks like chocolate dripping down the walls, features house-made chocolates, truffles and fudge, all created at their Wharf location, using chocolate from Belgium, and Guittard from San Francisco. A pound of the sweet stuff is \$26.

BOOKS

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table book of her work, titled simply **"Alper."** It's 116 pages of her Expressionist-style paintings, with bright colors and often amusing subjects.

If you've got a loved one who can't get enough information about food, CHOMP nutritionist Barbara Quinn's lively **"Quinn-Essential Nutrition"** answers the questions she's most frequently asked, and even includes a humorous chapter, complete with corny jokes.

Sample: "A horse walks into a bar. The bartender says, 'Hey.' The horse says, 'You read my mind, buddy.'"

Kathryn Gualtieri's latest cozy mystery, **"A Brush with Death,"** has plucky Pine Cone reporter Nora Finnegan expecting "a meager Christmas" in December 1929 and confronting two men from her past, as the Great Depression descends on the nation. There are photos from the town's early days and as always, Gualtieri's meticulous historical research shines.

Younger readers might like **"Confessions of a Bunny,"** by Melissa Jackson, a former teacher. Told from the point of view of a 4-year-old stuffed rabbit named "Bun Bun," it's the story of her friendship with her human

All About the Chocolate also carries premium goodies imported from all over the world, including Italy, France, England, Germany, Belgium, Switzerland and Latvia.

"Most people know about our house-made chocolates," said manager and buyer Ishma Joshi, "but they don't know that we are shopping the world to bring them the finest specialty treats from around the globe. Our customers also come from all over the world and can find their favorites or something new to try."

Then there are the longtime loves, starting

pal, a little girl named Reagan. It's charmingly illustrated and would be fun for any kid — or adult — who's had a special toy.

Miriam Kronish and Jeryl Abelman continue their children's series featuring **Quickly, the Magic Spatula.** You read that correctly. The main character in the books is a tennis-shoe-wearing spatula, named Quickly, who comes to life. In his latest adventure, "S is for Safari," he takes his friends on an alphabetical safari in South Africa, "from antelope to zebra."

The previous books, "Quickly, the Magical Spatula" and "Quickly's Magical Pancake Adventure," have garnered several awards and Quickly even has his own web site. The "Pancake Adventure" includes recipes for flapjacks, some from culinary luminaries like Jacques Pépin, Cat Cora and Roy Yamaguchi.

In addition to its book picks, River House recommended the game Carmelopoly, which has been out for a couple of years. It's like Monopoly, but much cuter — players will visit wineries, schools and local shops. You can bliss out when you land on Refuge Day Spa in Carmel Valley, or end up (gulp) in The Pine Cone's police log.

The shop does a beautiful job of gift-wrapping your picks, so all you need to do is find a great card and sign it. How's that for "happily ever after?"

with **Cottage of Sweets,** tucked into a tiny gingerbread-like house on Ocean. It's a little shop of sugar right out of a fairy tale. A large case within the small shop is filled with fresh-made fudge, handcrafted on site. There are also turtles — chocolate-covered caramel with nuts — s'mores and English toffee. And a pound of chocolate is \$25.95

Owners Lanny and Linda Rose, who celebrated 37 years at the cottage in October, said "The style of the shop is a traditional British sweet shop where there is candy everywhere you look, in a dazzling array of varieties and flavors and colors. It is a treat for the eyes, a tease for the nose and a delight to taste."

In addition to locally made chocolates, the cottage stocks candies imported from the U.K., as well as recent imports from Canada, said Monse Zepeta, who has served as store manager for seven years. "There are so many different kinds; I just can't get tired of it. My favorite is the buttery English toffee."

She's not alone. Known for its own brand of English toffee, as well as salted chocolate-covered caramel, **Lula's Chocolates** just celebrated 10 years in town. Scott Lund, who brought Lula's to the Peninsula in 2006, never intended to make fine chocolate. The craft and the confection belonged to his grandmother, Lula Lund of Salt Lake City, who created the company in 1945.

Yet, in 1996, other business plans and the desire to spend time with his grandmother led the Brigham Young MBA to Salt Lake, where he began an apprenticeship, learning how to choose the freshest and finest ingredients, how to work the precise machinery and how to master the chemistry of chocolate.

"Most customers don't stop to consider why Lula's chocolates taste better," said Lund.

Smitten as soon as the combination of smooth caramel, dark chocolate and sea salt

hits their mouths, customers know they have been romanced by Lula's. Available at boutiques on Mission, at the Crossroads Shopping Center and at the factory in Monterey, Lula's chocolates are considered artisanal by a community that consumes art. A chocolate-brown beribboned box of 12 pieces of bliss is \$26.

Pieces of Heaven, in the Barnyard, sells a pound of house-made goodies for \$24.95. Back in 1995, Peggy and Bob Whitted were making chocolate on their own, while grateful recipients kept asking them to go commercial. So, they purchased the shop from the original owner, who helped them refine their craft.

"The copper kettles hanging from the ceiling are not just for display; the chocolate is all made right here," said Meghan Parks, who worked for the Whitteds for 20 years, starting when she was 16, and returned a year ago. "We have reindeer, snowmen, Santas, sugarplums, peppermint sticks and hot chocolate. We even have chocolate menorahs. It's inspiring to work here."

Pieces of Heaven also sells 24 different flavors of truffles, each of which is hand-made by Peggy — and only Peggy. "It's a tradition and a very special skill," Parks said.

Across from the Barnyard, at the Crossroads Shopping Center, **Spencer's Stationery,** known for fine papers, cards and gifts, has a surprising little sweet at the counter. Belgian-chocolate malt balls, hand-packed into one-pound bags for \$7.95, are made from crisp malt, drenched in layers of creamy smooth chocolate.

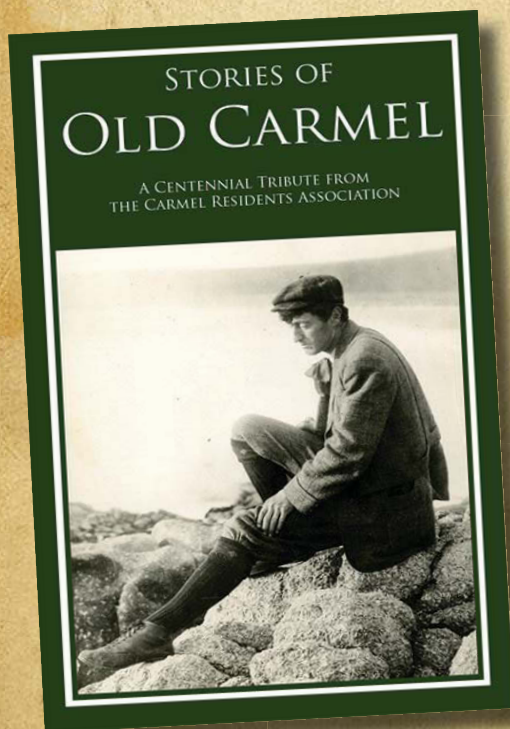
Customers buy them to serve or give as a hostess gift — and the smart ones buy one to give and one to indulge. Once you've had a Spencer's malt ball, you'll never go back to Whoppers. No need. This is one romance destined to endure.

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There aren't any swans swimming at Refuge day spa (left), but it's entirely possible that somewhere, a milkmaid was responsible for one of the cheeses you'll find at everyone's favorite Cheese Shop (center). If you don't want to buy actual hens, have a bite to eat at Carmel Belle instead.



PHOTOS/COURTESY REFUGE (LEFT), PHILIP M. GEIGER

DAYS

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Kocek will custom-craft five gold rings to suit any aesthetic. He has designed narrow stackable rings in 18k gold ranging from \$395 to \$1,250. He also carries his colleague's five square stackable gold rings in rose gold set with sapphires, white gold set with black diamonds, white gold set with white diamonds, yellow gold set with rubies, and yellow gold set with yellow sapphires. They range from \$3,780 to \$7,425.

■ Six geese a-laying

Carmel Belle, in the Doud Craft Studios on San Carlos, is known for sourcing fresh, local ingredients. Breakfast is a standout, made with organic Glaum Ranch eggs. Consider their Truffled Egg Toast with melted fontina and market vegetables for \$9.50, or Green Eggs & Ham, with two poached eggs, prosciutto and an arugula-herb purée on country toast for \$10.75. Guests also go for their artisan egg sandwiches. OK, they're chicken eggs, but they're delicious. Work with us.

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■ Ten lords a-leaping

Robert Talbott understood tailoring, fabric, and the kind of finishing a necktie could give a man. Audrey Talbott knew how to fold seven layers of silk and hand roll the tip of the tie before stitching it together by hand. Consider the 10 Talbott tie products — the 7-Fold, Protocol, RT, Best of Class, Estate, Bow-Tie, Ascot, Knit, Regimental, XL, Silk Bandana, and Lapel Bow-Tie Pin. A 7-fold will run you \$285. Whether you're a lord or just for leisure, tie one on.

■ Seven swans a-swimming

For \$44 per person, take your true love to Refuge at Carmel Valley Athletic Club (CVAC). The unique hydrothermal relaxation spa offers a steam room, sauna, cold plunge pools ranging from "icy river" to "Pacific Ocean," and both warm and hot tubs with waterfalls, as well as fire pits and zero-gravity chairs to escape the holiday madness.

■ Eleven pipers piping

Tucked into the back of the legendary Seven Arts Building on Lincoln for more than 30 years, the tiny Carmel Pipe Shop beckons passersby with a quaint village sign, and greets guests with a case filled with plenty of pipes, plus tons of other tobacco products. The American handcrafted pipes start at \$175.

■ Eight maids a-milking

The Cheese Shop, in the Carmel Plaza on Ocean, is "living on the wedge," bringing in cheese from all over the world. "One of my favorite tag lines is, 'It's the season for cheesin' or 'If you can snack it or sip it, we can pack it or ship it,'" said cheese monger Blake Northey. In addition to individual products, the shop has pre-packed and custom gift boxes. "Cheese is one of the better gifts," said Northey. "It will never end up in a thrift store with that ugly sweater."

■ Twelve drummers drumming

Carol Montana's "Kris Kringle of Carmel," the shop that celebrates Christmas year 'round, carries the \$450 handcrafted Steinbach nutcracker depicting 12 drummers drumming. Depending on stock and availability, it also offers the nutcrackers portraying the other 11 days of Christmas. The shop, in the front of the Doud Arcade, also features the Jim Shore line of carved-resin figures. That includes a \$110 carved Santa, with figures representing each of the 12 Days of Christmas.

■ Nine ladies dancing

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GHOSTS

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Expression” at her acting school, and also was the town librarian. She no doubt was feeling particularly inspired that week by the addition of 17 new books to Carmel Library, which, according to the paper, now boasted a collection of 3,302.

Her readings that day were followed by the performance two songs by Miss Eunice T. Gray — “O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go,” by Flaxington Harker, and Cadman’s “I Hear a Thrush at Eve” — and the afternoon closed with a social half hour that included “tea and a view of the beautiful Carmel sunset from the wide windows of the studio.”

A hotel in the making

There was a special buzz in the community for the holidays over the transformation of La Playa from a private residence to an opulent hotel. The sprawling mansion at Camino Real and Eighth had been designed a decade earlier by well-known artist Christopher Jorgensen for his wife, Angela Ghirardelli (heir to the chocolate empire), and their two children, Virgil and Aime. It was an idyllic setting until 1909, when a niece, Alida Ghirardelli, drowned in Carmel Bay.

In the wake of the tragedy, the Jorgensens relocated to the San Francisco Bay area.

Eight years later, La Playa was trumpeting the completion of four new suites at the hotel, all of which had been booked through Christmas and the New Year holiday.

Tourists of the day were being attracted by Carmel’s “first-class golf course, library and reading room, public tennis court, the historic mission, moving pictures every Tuesday and Friday at the Manzanita Theatre,” where the Dec. 19 feature was Mary Pickford in “Girl of Yesterday,” “picnics at Pebble Beach, Point Lobos and San Carlos Canyon, the Forest Theatre, a bowling alley, and (of course) beautiful walks and drives.”



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The Dec. 27 edition of The Pine Cone included an article lamenting that the most-recent census had revealed that although the annual wage in America had increased from \$644 to \$757 over the previous decade, U.S. wage earners were losing ground.

“As is known to every housewife of 10 years’ standing, the cost of living has advanced far more than 17 percent in the past decade,” the newspaper stated. “According to the United States bureau of labor statistics, the increase in food prices alone between 1907 and 1914 was almost 25 percent.”

Indeed, The Pine Cone, itself, was grimly announcing that due to rising costs of paper, ink, and other materials needed to produce a newspaper, a subscription would be bumped in February to \$1.50 a year.

At the same time, local storekeepers were reporting their best holiday season ever. Carmel Drug was offering “a fine line of Big Ben baby clocks, stationery, toilet articles, rubber sundries, and a Columbia graphophone and records.” Carmel Candy Store offered buttermilk chocolate (\$1 a pound), French mixed candies (25 cents a pound), broken candy (20 cents), and candy canes (two for a nickel). And patrons of Leidig Bros. (“A Better Service Store”) were entered with each purchase into a drawing for seven prizes, including the much-anticipated giveaway of a \$600 player piano.

A broken finger

Carmelites also showed holiday compassion for their less-fortunate neighbors:

“Grandma Cochran, who suffered a fall a short time ago that rendered her helpless, has been removed to the home of Mrs. F. Pepper, where she will be cared for until she recovers,” the newspaper announced.

In the same edition, there was this note: “John C. Mikel is nursing a broken finger.”

The Pine Cone office served as the town’s assembling and distributing center for donations apparel, food, toys and money for the needy.

“In Carmel and vicinity, there are a number of worthy poor

and unfortunate,” wrote editor/publisher W.L. Overstreet. “To make the way of these a little easier, a little happier, at this approaching Christmas season, it is the duty of all of us who have enjoyed even limited prosperity and comfort. The

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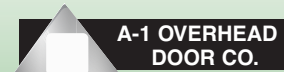
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Eagle Project Management, LLC has been retained as the City's Construction Manager and will be your primary contact throughout the course of the project.

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All Inquiries should be directed to:

Roger Miller
Eagle Project Management LLC
798 Lighthouse Ave. #319
Monterey, CA 93940
831-521-9360
E-mail: Roger@eaglepromanagement.com

Sealed Bids shall be delivered to:

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and Seventh Avenues
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Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921

The deadline for submitting Bids is: 2:00 p.m., December 28, 2016

Bids arriving after the specified date and time will not be considered. Each Bidder assumes responsibility for timely submission of its proposal.

Bid Walk: There will be a non-mandatory pre-bid meeting and site walk at the job site at Public Works Department Refuelling facility located on Junipero between 4th and 5th Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921 at 9:00 AM on December 14, 2016

THE COMPLETE RFP PACKAGE CAN BE VIEWED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS

1. **City of Carmel-by-the-Sea Public Works Office**
 - a. Junipero Avenue, Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921 831-620-2070 Roger@eaglepromanagement.com
2. **Central Coast Builders Association**
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 - b. Monterey Office: 100 12th St #2861, Marina, CA 93933, Phone 831.883.3933
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Tuba Christmas fills the house, Dylan mentor visits and Spiderman sings

AFTER BRINGING an impressive array of big-name talent to Monterey this year — from Ziggy Marley and Judy Collins, to Mick Fleetwood and Art Garfunkel — the Golden State Theatre in Monterey is turning its attention to a somewhat less-appreciated musical treasure, the tuba.

Fans of the lovable instrument — the largest and lowest-pitched instrument in the brass family — are traveling from near and far to attend Tuba Christmas Monterey Sunday, Dec. 11.

“Once you’ve experienced a Tuba Christmas, you will wonder how you ever got your holiday mojo going without

it,” co-producer **Rebecca Perry** told The Pine Cone.

Perry and **Jerry Azevedo** put together the first Tuba Christmas Monterey concert last year at Carlton Hall. More than 100 people packed the building, so this year, they moved the concert over to Golden State Theatre, which can hold about 1,300 people.

Led by conductor Steve Iwata, more than 50 tuba players are expected to participate in this year’s event, including a couple who are traveling from Virginia. Many will wear costumes and decorate their tubas.

“A 10-year-old from Salinas who picked up his first tuba

five months ago is going to play, and so is an older gentleman in his 80s who said it’s been a lifelong dream of his to play at

On A High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

the Golden State Theatre,” Perry explained.

Tuba Christmas Monterey is just one of more than 300 Tuba Christmas events that are happening around the country. Some tuba players try to play as many of the events as possible, and each time they do, they get a commemorative button.

If you’ve never been to a Tuba Christmas, Perry said you’re in for a big surprise.

“People think tubas are going to blast their eardrums,” she said. “That’s not the case. They actually have delicate tones, and there’s a subtle sophistication to the sound. You’re going to be shocked at how exquisite the experience is — it’s going to make your toes curl.”

While nearly all the free tickets have been claimed, it’s anticipated that at least some people won’t show. A limited number of tickets will be made available Sunday at 12:45 p.m.

Showtime is 1 p.m. The theater is located at 417 Alvarado St. <http://goldenstatetheatre.com>

John Prine, Johnny Lang visit Golden State

Also playing this week at the Golden State are singer-songwriters **John Prine** and **Ramblin’ Jack Elliott** (Wednesday, Dec. 14), and singer-songwriter and guitarist **Johnny Lang** (Thursday, Dec. 15).

A gifted wordsmith, Prine arrived on the music scene with a bang in the early 1970s, and he was heralded by many as “the next Bob Dylan.” He’s a



For music lovers, Santa arrived early this year. Over the next week, (clockwise from top left) Ramblin’ Jack Elliott, Reeve Carney, Jonny Lang, John Prine, Kelly McFarling and Dan Frechette & Nicole Dillenberg visit the Monterey Peninsula and Big Sur.

CALENDAR

Dec. 9 — Carmel Presbyterian Church Christmas Concert and Sing-a-Long with Anne & Pete Sibley, Friday, December 9, 7 p.m. \$10 suggested donation. Benefit Concert for Meals on Wheels Monterey. www.carmelpres.org.

Dec. 10 — It’s Carmel Valley’s Santa Fly-In! Be sure to fly on over to Baum & Blume for fabulous tree ornaments, handmade gifts, artisan fruit-cakes, jams, and German chocolates! Try one of their freshly-made donuts too! Baum & Blume and The Carriage House, 4 El Caminito, Carmel Valley. Mon-Sat. 11:30 a.m.-7 p.m. (831) 659-0400.

Through Dec. 10 — Carpe Diem Fine Books SERIOUS CELEBRATION SALE! Carpe Diem Fine Books celebrates 20 years buying & selling out-of-print (& out of the ordinary!) books, art, posters, etc. with a 30% - 50% off EVERYTHING Sale. Continues through Saturday, 12/10 (11-5) at 245 Pearl Street in downtown Monterey. 831-643-2754 for more information.

“Breakfast with Santa” served 8:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 17 at Carmel Youth Center, Fourth and Torres, Carmel-by-the-Sea. Santa hosts

a meal of pancakes, sausage, fruit and beverages. Carmel Police Department will offer free “Operation Kid ID.” Breakfast proceeds benefit Mission Trail Lions of Carmel. Advance tickets: call Jean & Bud Westcott at (831) 624-5783 or Pam & Clyde Klauermann at (831) 624-8759. Adults: \$7; children 12 and under \$4. Tickets may also be purchased at the door.

Through Dec. 18 - Christmas on Monterey’s Old Fisherman’s Wharf will be very special this year! On Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through Dec. 18, the Wharf will be celebrating Christmas on the Wharf with lots of “meet and greets” with Santa, live music, carolers, cocoa and cookies, Wharf merchant specials and much more! More details at montereywharf.com.

Dec. 15 - King’s Brass Christmas Concert. Tim Zimmerman & The King’s Brass featuring the new pipe organ at Carmel Presbyterian Church, Thursday, December 15, 7 p.m., corner of Ocean & Junipero Ave. Free. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Desert reception to follow. www.CarmelPres.org, (831) 620-2593.

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two-time winner of the Grammy Award for Best Contemporary Folk Album, and at least two of his songs, "Angel from Montgomery" and "Paradise," have become contemporary folk standards.

Like Prine, Elliott is a musician whose influence far exceeds his record sales. In many ways the quintessential wandering folksinger, he was an important influence on Dylan early in his career.

A child prodigy who began his career as a blues artist and recorded his first album at 15, Lang later expanded his sound to include r&b, pop and rock, and the move paid off in 2006 when he earned a Grammy Award for Best Rock or Rap Gospel Album.

Touring with Lang is singer-songwriter **Reeve Carney**, who starred for three years in the Broadway musical, "Spider-Man: Turn Off the Dark," and plays a very creepy Dorian Gray in the television series, "Penny Dreadful."

Tickets for the Prine/Elliott show are \$60 to \$104, while seats for Lang/Carney concert are \$33 to \$63. Call (831) 649-1070.

Live Music Dec. 9-15

Barmel — **Herod, Paine & Proskin** (jazz, Friday at 7 p.m.); and **McHugh & Divine** ("San Francisco folk-rock," Saturday at 7 p.m.). San Carlos and Seventh, (831) 626-3400.

Bay of Pines restaurant in Monterey — singer-songwriter **Kiki Wow & friends** (pop and rock, Friday at 7 p.m.); and **Dan Frechette & Nicole Dillenberg**, who present a tribute to singer-songwriter Bob Dylan (Saturday at 7 p.m.). 150 Del Monte Ave., (831) 920-3560.

The Carl Cherry Center for the Arts — The latest installment of the nonprofit art center's "Jazz at the Cherry" series features a performance (Sunday at 2 p.m.) by **Along Came Betty**. The quartet includes pianist **Biff Smith**, trumpeter and flugelhorn player **Brian Stock**, bassist **Heath Proskin** and drummer **Patrick Tregenza**. Tickets are \$25. Fourth and Guadalupe, (831) 624-7491.

Cibo Ristorante Italiano in Monterey — **Victory Lane** (classic rock, Friday at 9 p.m.); **Pacific Groove** (classic rock, Saturday at 9 p.m.); singer **Dizzy Burnett** (jazz and swing, Sunday at 7 p.m.); singer **Lee Durley** and pianist **Joe**

Indence (jazz and swing, Tuesday at 7 p.m.); **Andrea's Fault** (Wednesday at 7 p.m.); and **The Ben Herod Trio** (swing and jazz, Thursday at 7 p.m.). 301 Alvarado St., (831) 649-8151.

Cooper's Pub & Restaurant in Monterey — singer-songwriter **Paul Espinoza** of the Celtic music ensemble, **Golden Bough**, performs music for the holidays (Friday at 9 p.m.); and singer-songwriter **Vince Naccarato** and guitarist **Doug MacKinnon** (Saturday at 9 p.m.). 653 Cannery Row, (831) 373-1353.

The East Village Coffee Lounge in Monterey — **The Dave Holodiloff Trio**, featuring flutist **Kenny Stahl** and bassist **Steve Ucello**, will present its annual holiday concert (bluegrass, jazz and world music, Friday at 7 p.m.). 498 Washington St., (831) 373-5601.

Fernwood Resort in Big Sur — **Harry & the Hitmen** ("classic Motown and soul," Saturday at 9 p.m.). On Highway 1 25 miles south of Carmel, (831) 667-2422.

Henry Miller Library in Big Sur — singer-songwriters **Kendra McKinley** and **Kelly McFarling** (Saturday at 8 p.m.). The show will be inside, and space is limited. Tickets are \$15. On Highway 1 28 miles south of Carmel, (831) 667-2574.

Hyatt Regency Monterey Hotel and Spa — guitarist **Mike Lent** with **The David Morwood Jazz Band** (Friday at 7 p.m.); and flutist **Tim Jackson**, guitarist **Jesse Elias**, bassist **Dennis Murphy** and drummer **David Morwood** (jazz, Saturday at 7 p.m.). 1 Old Golf Course Road, (831) 372-1234.

The Inn at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach — **The Jazz Trio** featuring pianists **Bob Phillips** or **Bill Spencer** (jazz, in the lobby, Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.); and **The Dottie Dodgion Trio** (jazz, Thursday at 7 p.m.); also, a bagpiper plays every evening at 5:45 p.m. 2700 17 Mile Drive, (831) 647-7500.

Julia's restaurant in Pacific Grove — singer-songwriter **Tiffany Decker** (Monday at 7 p.m.); singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (Tuesday at 7 p.m.); mandolinist **Dave Holodiloff** (Wednesday at 6 p.m.); and singer-songwriter **Buddy Comfort** (Thursday at 7 p.m.). 1180 Forest Ave., (831) 656-9533.

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.

Mission Ranch — pianist **Tom Gastineau** (jazz, Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 5 p.m.); singer and pianist



A member of a Celtic music ensemble, "Golden Bough" (pictured), singer-songwriter Paul Espinoza plays a solo concert Dec. 9 in Monterey. His repertoire includes "special Celtic music for the season, oldies, classic country and more."

Maddaline Edstrom (jazz and pop, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., and Sunday at 7 p.m.); pianist **David Kempton** (jazz, Monday through Thursday at 8 p.m.) and pianist **Gennady Loktionov** (jazz, Sunday at 10 a.m., Monday through Thursday at 8 p.m.). 26270 Dolores St., (831) 625-9040.

Pacific Grove Art Center — Open Mic Night (Friday at 7 p.m.). 568 Lighthouse Ave., (831) 375-2208.

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

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

Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley — singer-songwriter **Kiki Wow & friends** (pop and rock, Friday at 6 p.m.); and singer-songwriter **Robert Elmond Stone** (country, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place, (831) 298-7453.

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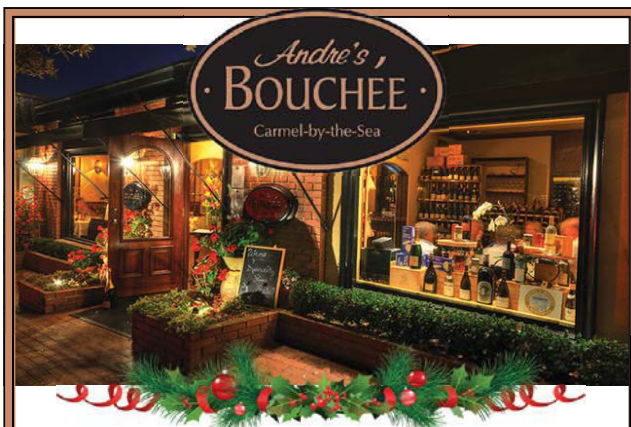
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‘Cork & Fork’ at Quail Lodge, Food for (library) Fines, and Chesebro’s new Single Barrel

FOR THE past couple of months, Quail Lodge in Carmel Valley has been hosting wine dinners in the hotel’s former fine-dining restaurant, The Covey. Attended by mostly members the Quail golf club — with a few stragglers from the outside here and there — the dinners have been intimate and informative, with special guests sharing interesting tidbits and tales about that night’s featured wines.

The inaugural dinner in October showcased wines from Joyce, followed by Otter Cove and Oh Wines last month, and Louis Roederer Champagne on Dec. 1. Next on the calendar are Bernardus on Jan. 12, and Hahn Family Wines on Feb. 17. The series, which has been officially named “Vino in the Valley” but is often affectionately referred to as “Cork & Fork,” also allows Quail Lodge executive chef Brian Kearns, formerly of La Bicyclette, to exercise his talents for creative and elegant cuisine that pairs well with various vintages.

At last week’s dinner, for instance, his light salad of local Dungeness crab salad with Granny Smith apple, celery and walnuts complemented the non-vintage Louis Roederer Brut Premier, a lovely, clean and complex bubbly made with grapes from eight different vintages and kept in the bottle for five to six years before release.

“When you drink this, we want you to see a blue sky, without any clouds,” said Xavier Barlier, the Champagne house’s senior vice president of marketing and communications in North America. “It’s like fresh air.”

The 2008 Brut, produced from the first

vineyard Roederer acquired in Reims, France, 240 years ago, was paired with braised veal served with pearl onions and diminutive carrots and potatoes.

Next, roasted squab breast, perfectly

soup to nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

cooked on the rare side of medium rare, accompanied by parsley root purée, hen of the woods mushroom and natural jus, was enjoyed alongside Pinot Noir made from the company’s newest acquisition, a vineyard in Anderson Valley. That property, Barlier said, was purchased in 2010, and although the 2013 Domaine Anderson Pinot Noir is technically only sold to restaurants, Northern California regional manager Scott Winkler said he might be able to make it available directly to consumers through Nielsen Bros. Market at San Carlos and Seventh in Carmel. (Nielsen’s also carries the 2009 Brut Nature, a Champagne made from Chardonnay and Pinot Noir grapes. Barlier noted the Brut Nature can and should be enjoyed “anytime of day.”)

Finally, the 2010 Brut Rosé, a special pink-hued bubbly that’s produced from grapes stomped by foot rather than pressed by machine, was paired with a delicate dessert of poached strawberry and rhubarb Napoleon and vanilla bean Crème Anglaise.

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FOOD & WINE

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Reservations for the wine dinners can be made by calling (831) 620-8866 or emailing nikolettebrannan@quailodge.com.

And they aren't the only goings on at The Covey these days. The hotel's bar has quietly begun offering cocktails, local wines, craft beers and small bites to guests and the public Wednesday through Sunday, from 5 to 10 p.m.

For more information, visit <https://www.quailodge.com>. The lodge is located at 8205 Valley Greens Drive.

Food for Fine\$

Been dreading checking anything out at the library because you won't be able to face the clerk when she realizes you owe fines for that DVD you rented in March and didn't return until two weeks ago?

Never fear. This month, Harrison Memorial Library is forgiving fines for patrons who donate nonperishable goods to the Food Bank for Monterey County. One can of food or four packages of ramen = \$1 in forgiven fines.

"It's an opportunity to clear your fines and help a worthy cause," the library announced, adding that the food bank particularly needs canned meats and fish, stew, chili, and hearty soups; peanut butter; boxed macaroni and cheese, and pasta meals; canned fruits, juice and vegetables; and dry cereal, rice and pasta. No glass containers or outdated items can be accepted.

The library is located at Ocean Avenue and Lincoln Street.

Have Inga do the work

Inga Yontz, wife of Rio Grill chef Cy Yontz, is an incredible baker, and during the holiday season, she shares her talents with those who would rather not undertake the



Quail Lodge executive chef Brian Kearns expresses his creativity and penchant for elegant cuisine during the hotel's monthly wine dinners.

tasks themselves — or who simply want desserts they know will be sublime.

She is selling her olallieberry pies, lemon tarts and cheesecakes, as well as her seasonal pumpkin cheesecake, for \$32 each. They only need to be ordered 48 hours in advance by calling the restaurant at (831) 625-5436.


Dawn's Dream open house

Dawn's Dream Winery's tasting room at the corner of San Carlos Street and Seventh Avenue will present a holiday open house Saturday, Dec. 10, from 1 to 5 p.m.

The party will include "holiday-themed wine items," small bites, case sales, an appearance from Santa, "and so much more!"

The open house is free for members and \$10 for nonmembers. Call (831) 659-2649 or email wine@dawnsdreamwinery.com for more information.

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FOOD & WINE

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■ Grab some Grenache

Chesebro Wines, the father-and-son winemaking and grape-growing team of Mark and Will Chesebro, recently produced two limited bottlings of Grenache and is holding a party in honor of their debut Saturday, Dec. 10, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the tasting room in Carmel Valley Village.

Chesebro owns three vineyards in Carmel Valley and Arroyo Seco. One barrel of the new 2012 Grenache came from Cedar Lane in Arroyo Seco, while the other was made from grapes grown in the family's estate vineyard in Carmel Valley. These two wines are the first of Chesebro's new Single Barrel Series, where only 25 cases of each wine are bottled.

"It's fun to open both at the same time, since they are quite different," Mark Chesebro said.

Also set for debut at the Dec. 10 event is the 2012 La Montagne Sauvage, a red blend.

Music will be provided by Camilla Chesebro on the cello and Isabelle Sanford on the harp, and light hors d'oeuvres will be served.

The tasting room is located at 19 East Carmel Valley Road and can be reached by calling (831) 659-2125. For more information, visit <http://www.chesebrowines.com>.

■ Sip and Shop

The Carmel Road tasting room and its neighbor in the Pine Inn complex on Lincoln Street between Ocean and Seventh avenues, Fjorn Scandinavian, will host a Sip and Shop event with KRML radio to support the Food Bank for Monterey County Sunday, Dec. 18, from 4 to 7 p.m.

Guests who bring nonperishable donations for the food bank will be invited to savor small bites and sip mulled wine while shopping for their holiday gifts and party supplies, whether they be Carmel Road's sig-

nature Chardonnays and Pinots, or Fjorn's decorative items, furnishings, handmade gifts and other treasures.

In addition, Carmel Road customers who donate at least five cans of food will receive \$10 off purchases of \$50 or more, and the tasting fees of \$15 to \$20 are waived for those who spend more than \$65 on wine. To learn more, visit the winery's website at <http://www.carmelroad.com>.

■ Happy Girl caroling

Happy Girl Kitchen at 173 Central Ave. in Pacific Grove will host a community dinner and "mini concert and holiday sing-along for everyone to join," Monday, Dec. 19, from 7 to 9 p.m.

A vegetarian dinner created from locally sourced organic vegetables will be offered for \$19 per adult and \$9 per kid, and gluten-free options will be available, too. Hot chocolate, tea and baked goods will also be sold throughout the evening.

No reservations are needed. Just show up at 7 for dinner, and the singing will begin at 7:45 p.m. And folks interested in picking up some pickles or preserves for their friends and family can get a little shopping done, too.

■ Celebrate Solstice

The Beach House at Lovers Point will

offer its Sunset Supper Menu all evening Wednesday, Dec. 21, the shortest day (and longest night) of the year. Typically only available to those diners who are willing to sit down for their evening meal anytime between 4 and 5:30 p.m., the sunset menu will be offered until the restaurant closes that night.

The Beach House's signature firecracker shrimp with Thai aioli can be had for \$5, and a number of entrées will be offered for \$9.90 all evening, including panko-sand dabs almondine with wild rice pilaf, green beans, dried cranberries, toasted almonds and lemon beurre blanc; cider-cured pork chop with green beans, smashed Yukon Gold potatoes, apple-cranberry sauce and hard cider glaze; grilled salmon filet with wild rice pilaf, sautéed spinach and lemon beurre blanc; bacon-wrapped meatloaf accompanied by roasted carrots, mushroom gravy, smashed potatoes and crispy fried onions; herb-grilled chicken breast with sautéed spinach, smashed potatoes and sage-leek gravy; pasta primavera with vegetables, local greens and house made marinara; and rigatoni with basil cream fresh basil, shaved parmesan cheese and sun-dried tomatoes.

A cup of soup, garden salad or Caesar salad can be added for \$3.90, and a glass of house wine or beer can also be purchased for \$3.90.

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Airport honors young photographers, revisits the days of 'Feelin' Groovy'

THE SPOTLIGHT will shine on the next generation of fine art photographers when an exhibit by the 2016 Weston Collective scholarship winners opens Friday, Dec. 9, at Monterey Regional Airport's Youth Gallery.

The scholarship fund was created in 2004 by **Kim and Gina Weston** to support Monterey County high school and college students who practice traditional black and white photography. Nearly \$100,000 has been awarded over the past 12 years.

Each year, cash prizes are awarded, including \$1,000 to first place winners in four categories.

This year's winners include **Eduardo Sandoval** of Monterey Peninsula College, who took home the the Roman Loranc Award; **Iana Hegan** of Santa Catalina School, who captured the Reed Farrington Award; **Valerie Gonzales Villarreal** of Santa Catalina School, who won the Social Commentary Award; and **Edwin Franco** of Monterey Peninsula College, who received the John Crossman Award.

"For the artists, it's exciting to see their work in another venue," said **Zach Weston**, who took over as executive director for the Weston Collective earlier this year.

Also opening Dec. 9 at the Monterey airport is "Feeling Groovy," a collection of photographs and assorted memorabilia from Monterey County in the late 1960s.

"Remember go-go boots, love beads and good vibrations?" reads an invitation to the show, which will be displayed in the airport's Mezzanine Gallery.

"Artifacts featured in the exhibit are diverse, ranging from the ordinary to the extraordinary," said **Susan Klusmire**, who is curating the display.

The Mezzanine Gallery will be the site of

a reception for both exhibits Friday from 5 to 7 p.m. The shows will continue through November 2017. The airport is located at 200 Fred Kane Drive.

■ Artist-owned galleries stay up late

Just in time for the gift-buying season, the Carmel Art Walk will return for an encore Saturday, Dec. 10.

The "Second Saturdays" event kicked off Aug. 13 when more than a dozen downtown galleries banded together to offer demonstrations, live music, raffles and other enticements, such as staying open until 8 p.m. Organizers deemed the debut art walk a success, and subsequent art walks happened Oct. 8 and Nov. 12.

Artist and gallery owner **Joaquin Turner** told The Pine Cone that 21 artist-owned galleries are participating in the holiday art walk, including Gallery Apodaca, Gallery Delia, Gallery Plein Aire and Titus Gallery.

"Meet the local artists who carry on the Carmel art colony legacy," Turner suggested. "A lot of the galleries will be doing something special — this should be a good one." <http://carmelartwalk.com>

■ Small paintings = great stocking stuffers

Continuing a tradition that dates back to 1933, the Carmel Art Association's Miniature and Small Painting Show will be on display through Jan. 3.

This year's sale will feature hundreds of pieces of art. A wide mix of mediums, styles and subject matter are represented. Roughly

half of the nonprofit art center's roster of more than 100 artists are represented in the show, including **Miguel Dominguez**,

■ Museum hosts Holiday Art Fair

Offering yet another alternative to the hustle and bustle of Christmas shopping, the Monterey Museum of Art will present a Holiday Art Fair Thursday, Dec. 15, from 4 to 8 p.m., at its Pacific Street location.

"Join us as we fill the galleries with holiday cheer," reads an invitation to the event. "Support local artists and businesses stationed at booths throughout the museum, and select unique, handmade presents for everyone on your shopping list this season."

Participating artists include **Deborah Russell, McKenzie Floyd, Gail and Katy Lack, Claudia Stevens** and others.

The museum is located at 559 Pacific Street. <http://montereyart.org>

Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

Richard Tette, Jan Wagstaff, Peggy Jelmini, Alicia Meheen and Will Bullas.

Also at the Carmel Art Association, the Salvation Army will be collecting new, unwrapped toys, sweaters and jackets for children of all ages through Sunday, Dec. 11. Non-perishable food items are also being sought. The nonprofit art center is located on Dolores between Fifth and Sixth. Call (831) 624-6176.



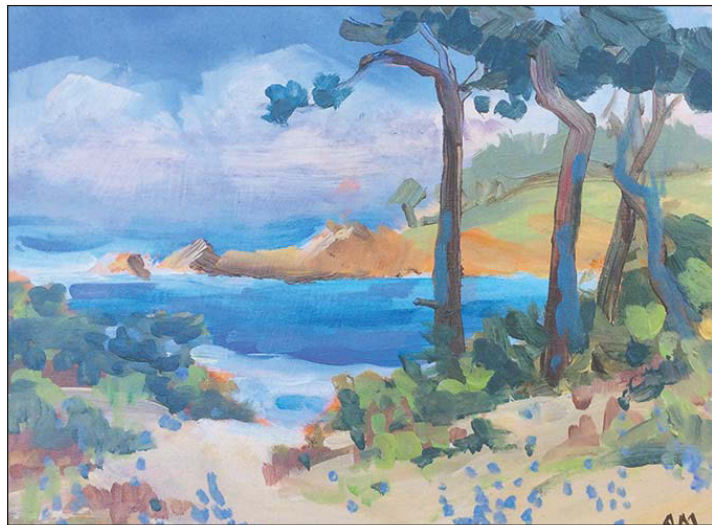
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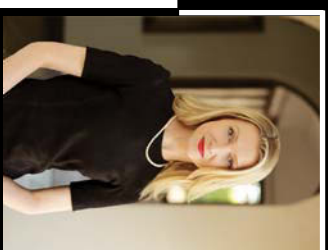


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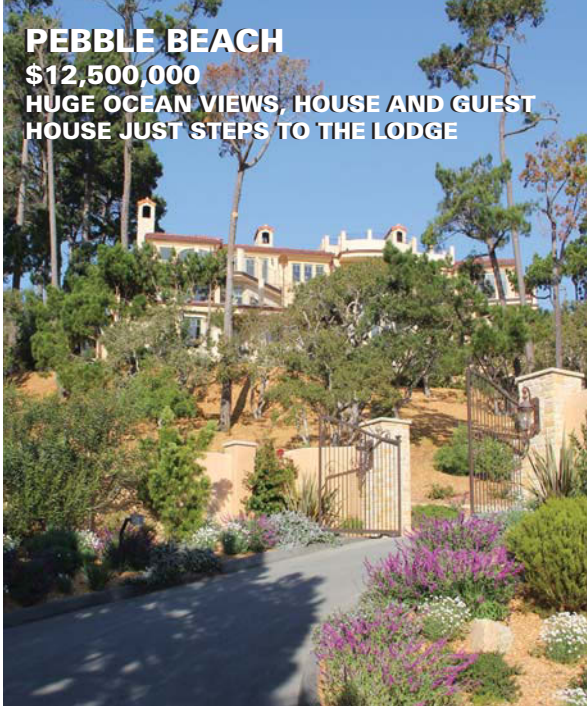


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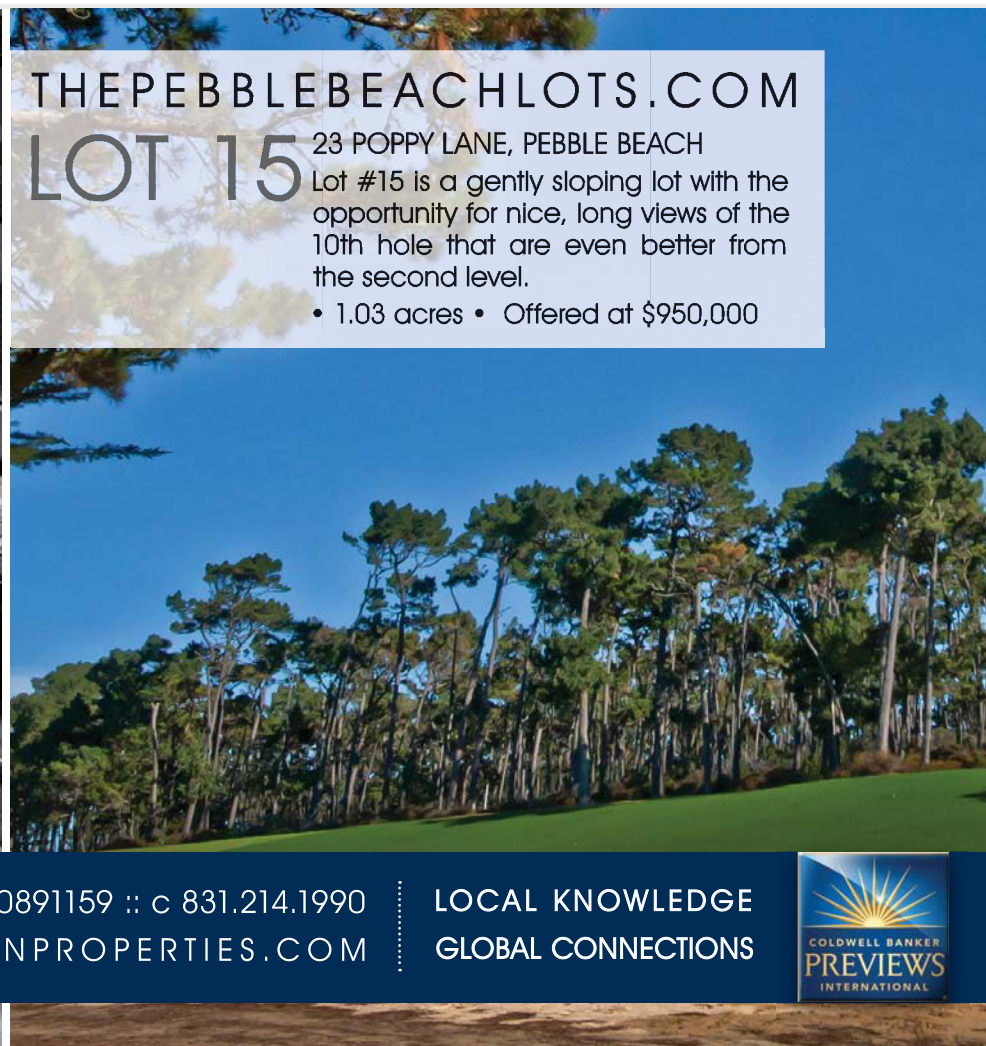
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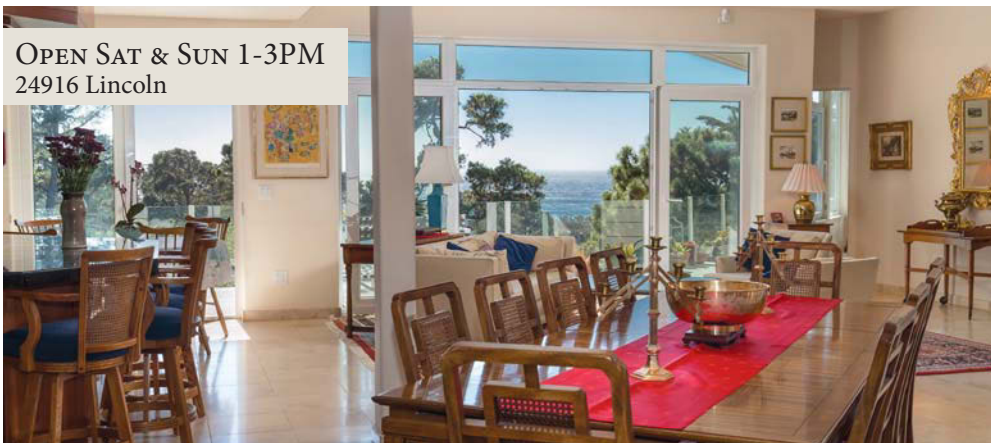


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FROM BUFFALO TO DEL MESA, CHRISTMAS CHEER IS AN EVERGREEN THING

THE LOSS of a spouse a month before Christmas tends to take the “merry” out of Merry Christmas.

I remember driving from Monterey to Los Angeles, a few years back, to share Christmas with relatives. It didn’t work out very well, and I left the gathering early to drive back to the Monterey Peninsula. Six hours alone in a car was better than being alone in a crowd pretending to have a good

Dancer were knee-high to Santa Claus — still wrapped in decades-old newspaper that was drier than an evening service at the Salvation Army. The light bulb that illuminates it probably still has Edison’s autograph on it. Set up is quick and easy. Switch it on and all is calm, all is bright.

In my previous life, I went through almost 50 years of trudging through inclement western New York and Michigan winters to buy Christmas trees — actually a fun project, thanks to the anticipatory enthusiasm of my children. One year, I even did my best Jeremiah Johnson imitation and went into the mountains to fell our own worthy Scotch pine. Well, maybe not the mountains, but to a Christmas tree farm with a proprietor who looked like a grizzly bear.

Anyone who has survived several decades of this old earth revolving around the sun knows that life has more twists to it than a contortionist imitating a pretzel. Ten years in a small apartment gave way to a new life in a full-sized domicile at Del Mesa Carmel. Suddenly, I was spending Christmas with a lovely lady who still maintains all the anticipation and enthusiasm of a 7-year-old putting out a glass of milk and a plate of cookies for Santa. I went from, “I’m

only dreaming of a white Christmas tree,” to O Tannenbaum on steroids.

Not only is a Christmas tree essential to my significant other’s holiday season, it has to be THE Christmas tree. Shopping for a tree has become an expedition again. Do we have everything? Tape measure? Check! Level? Check! Utility knife? Check! Refractometer to measure the sugar concentration of sap and syrup — oops! Wrong kind of tree.

The right Christmas tree lot is important, too. We went to the Kris Kringle lot on Rio Road, across from the Crossroads shopping center, because owner Elaine DeGeorge donates many trees to charitable organizations in the area.

The trees at her lot are stately, perhaps descendants of the great Mallorn whose seeds were passed on to the elves in Middle-earth. (I know it’s a stretch, but I’m going for high drama here.)

Unlike my younger days, there was no need to hurry, thanks to the Peninsula’s balmy winter temperatures. Somehow we were drawn to the same tree, or perhaps it chose us. It was full and fragrant. And then we checked its spine for straightness with the thoroughness of a chiropractor doing a physical.



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By JERRY GERVASE

time.

A few months later, with the kids all grown and moved away, downsizing living conditions seemed to be the judicious thing to do. So I moved into a small apartment, which meant getting rid of stuff that wouldn’t be needed anymore — including Christmas things. A lifetime of ornaments and lights went to whichever kids wanted them, as did the 12-place setting of Lenox Christmas dishes. Having a dozen folks for dinner wasn’t practical in a 700-square-foot apartment.

I kept the small ceramic Christmas tree that had been in the family since Dasher and

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POLICE LOG

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Pacific Grove: Officers followed up on a complaint of a loud motorcycle repeatedly driving fast through a neighborhood on Buena Vista Avenue. The registered owner was not home, but the described motorcycle was on scene, so a business card and a request to speak with the owner was left. The owner called later, and it was explained that multiple neighbors were complaining about him speeding on his loud motorcycle. He denied riding too fast, but admitted he has a loud exhaust and was apologetic. He was also informed that there was a resident willing to sign a citation. Information only at this time.

Pacific Grove: Unlocked vehicle on Stuart

Street was ransacked. Nothing was taken.

Big Sur: A male lost his wallet while bicycling in Big Sur along Highway 1.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Wallet brought to the station and turned in for safekeeping at 0320 hours.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Police conducted a traffic stop at Junipero and Fifth. The 23-year-old male driver was cited and released on scene for driving on a suspended license. The driver was in violation of court probation, and his vehicle was towed from the scene.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officers responded to the report of a verbal altercation at a business at Ocean and Junipero. The peace disturbance was between two employees the day before. The caller stated she did not feel safe working with the other involved party and wanted the incident documented.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Wallet stolen and credit cards used.

Pacific Grove: Theft from an unlocked vehicle on Lighthouse Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Officer received a call from a citizen who was concerned about an adult male who was acting strangely inside a public building on Forest Avenue. The male was contacted and was cooperative, and he consented to a search of his person and belongings. The man had no wants, warrants, or illegal items on his person. The man was transient from another town and was provided information regarding area resources. Info only.

Pacific Grove: Officer was dispatched to 13th Street to contact two subjects. One was smoking a vape pen. Contacted both parties, who were under 18. The first subject was cited. Nicotine products were collected for destruction per the subject's request. Info only.

Carmel area: Resident reported an unknown person had entered her home on Holt

Road within the past two-and-a-half months and had stolen a small safe.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female Campbell resident, age 32, was arrested at San Carlos and Ocean at 0333 hours for public intoxication, and then released to the Monterey P.D. jail on a citation.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A driver and passenger in a vehicle on Mission north of Sixth were cited for possession of marijuana. The suspects are both males, ages 18 and 19.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A citizen found a loose dog in the area of Santa Lucia Avenue and Dolores Street, and brought the dog to the police department. At the same time, the owner of the dog contacted the department. The dog

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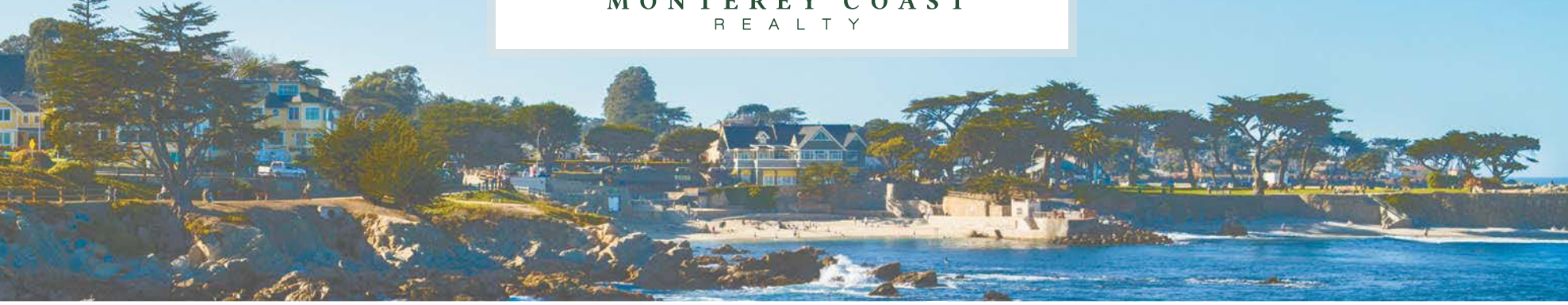
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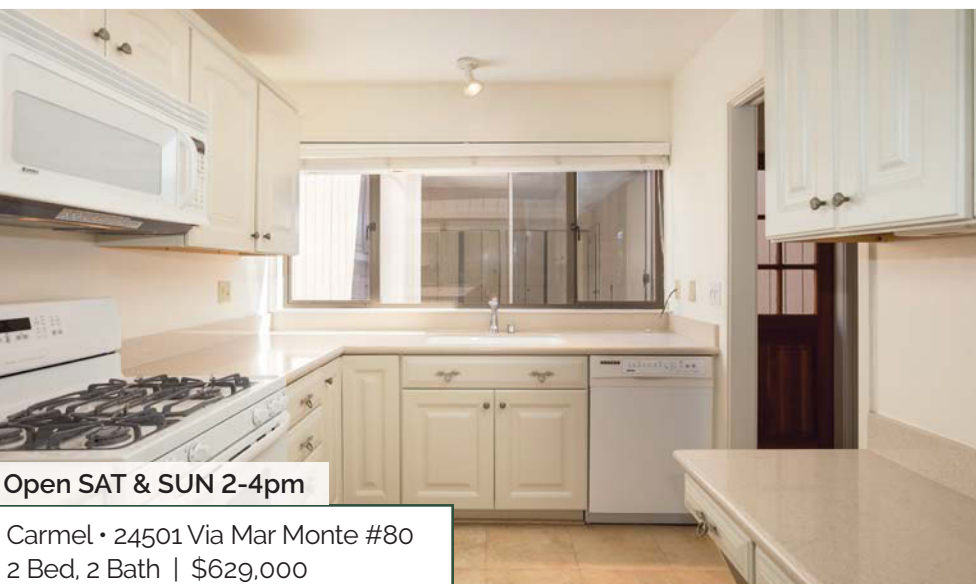
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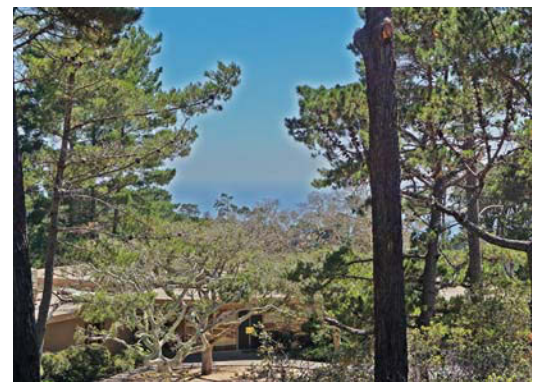
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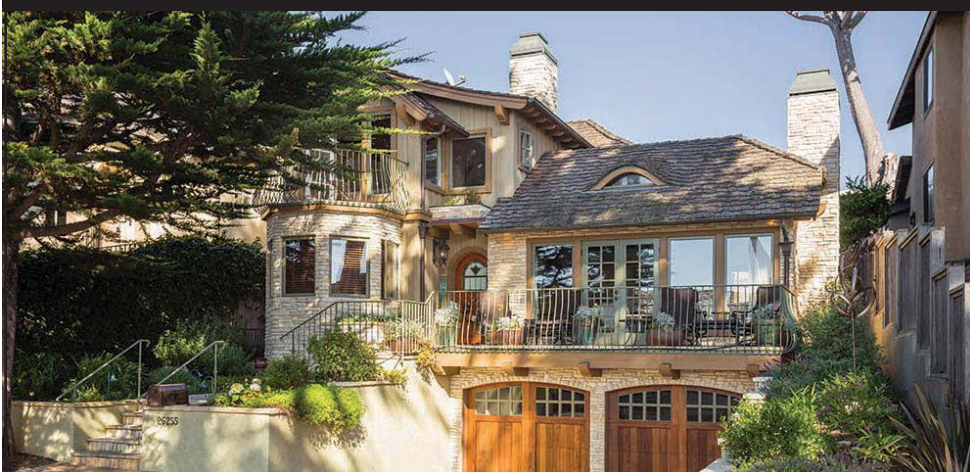
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CALLS

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was returned to the owner shortly afterward at the department. A warning was given.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 63-year-old male Torres Street resident fled from officers at Rio and Ladera at 1430 hours after committing a vehicle code violation. The male was contacted and determined to be under the influence of a controlled substance. He was arrested and booked into county jail.

Pacific Grove: Located a vehicle that fled from a hit-and-run collision. Traffic stop was made on Second Street at 0050 hours, and the 49-year-old male driver was turned over to Monterey police for further investigation.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle tampering on Surf Avenue. Padlocks were cut open on a work trailer. No tools or personal belongings were taken. No suspect information.

Pacific Grove: Window of a locked vehicle on Pacific Grove Lane was smashed, and two visible purses were stolen.

Pacific Grove: Subject was contacted during a traffic stop on Grand Avenue at 2355 hours and was found to be on California Department of Corrections parole with a no-bail warrant. The subject, a 26-year-old male, also had narcotics and stolen prop-

erty in the vehicle. He was arrested, booked at PGPD, and transported to the county jail for lodging.

Carmel Valley: The 19-year-old male on Schulte Road used unlawful force on a 38-year-old male and a 37-year-old female. The victims did not wish to press charges.

Carmel area: Person on Carmel Rancho Boulevard requested an informational report to document statements made by his son's ex-girlfriend.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officer was contacted by a resident in the commercial area at Torres and Sixth. She was reporting her dog had escaped out of the front door. The dog was located at Bruno's Market at Junipero and Sixth, and was returned to the owner at that location.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 53-year-old female Santa Lucia Avenue resident was found to have an active arrest warrant for misdemeanor driving on a suspected license. She was arrested at San Carlos and Ocean, booked, and released on a citation.

Pacific Grove: Construction site on Acropolis Street had a shed that was burglarized. An elevation laser was taken from the property. No suspect information.

Pacific Grove: Officers were dispatched to a neighbor dispute on Miles over an American flag. Verbal altercation only.

Pacific Grove: Officers responded to Subway at Country Club Gate for a male who was drinking liquor in public. Upon making contact with the male subject, a Rite Aid employee identified him as the suspect who stole store merchandise. Male subject was placed under arrest and transported to county jail.

Pacific Grove: Female called to report her stolen credit card had been used at a business at Country Club Gate. Case already reported in her own jurisdiction. Investigation ongoing due to possible multiple victims.

Pacific Grove: Male on Forest Avenue reported property management agents entered his business without his permission.

Pacific Grove: Junipero Avenue resident had a roommate who was evicted. Roommate used to have access to his credit card. Once the roommate was evicted, she used the male's credit card without his consent.

Pacific Grove: Theft of groceries from a business on Forest Avenue. Possible suspect information.

Pebble Beach: Victim reported an unknown person had broken locks on a jobsite on Bird Rock Road. No items of value stolen.

GERVASE

From page 6RE

The tree spent three days on the patio, adjusting to its new surroundings, among tall California pines that seemed to look after their diminutive cousin. Finally, it made it into the living room. Furniture was moved to give it a place of honor, where it spent another day acclimating itself to the indoors and spreading its sweet scent throughout the house. Then, out of storage, came strings of lights at least three miles long; boxes of vintage ornaments, cases of Dickensian decorations all carefully wrapped in protective tissue paper. I applied the lights then stood aside.

Caution, artist at work! For the next two days, pieces were placed and moved, moved and placed with the precision and delicacy of J.M.W. Turner experimenting with pigments from London's Winsor & Newton shop for artists. Each ornament was tied on with red ribbon. No metallic hooks for our precious tree!

When it comes to tree trimming, my lady can out-strategize von Clausewitz. She is a study in ornamental placement, or rather ornamental assignment, as each bauble not only has a role to play, but moving it around is a rehearsal for the final show. I offered an opinion. Her glare said: "Stick to the lights, sonny." Perhaps, it was time to hit the eggnog.

Finally the last ornament was moved for the last time. The tree was ready, its lights replicating the twinkling stars on bright winter nights the way Martin Luther used candles for that same effect.

The decorations on our tree are her childhood mementos, remnants of the good times of Christmases past. This one was my mother's. That one came from Holman's. These were my godmother's.

It is about 10 miles from my small apartment in Monterey to Del Mesa Carmel. Yet the transitional distance cannot be measured in time or miles. The apartment was a place to live. Now I live in a home. Did the tree make it a home? Not really, a lady who sees Christmas through the eyes of a child did that. Together, we enjoy the casual intimacy of doing simple tasks together. Also, we remember what the Christmas season is really all about. It is a season that celebrates that we are here — and that we count for something in this universe.

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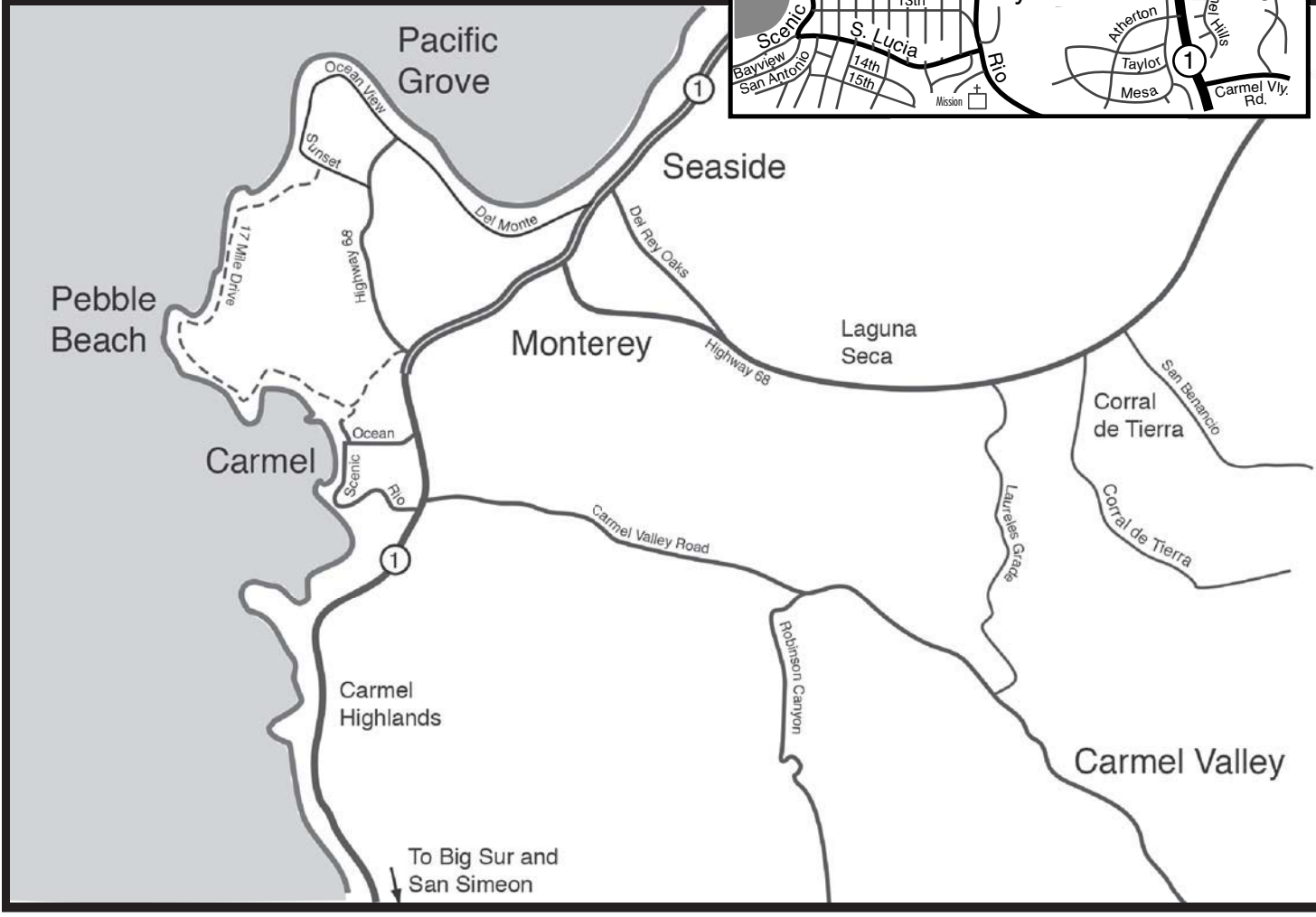
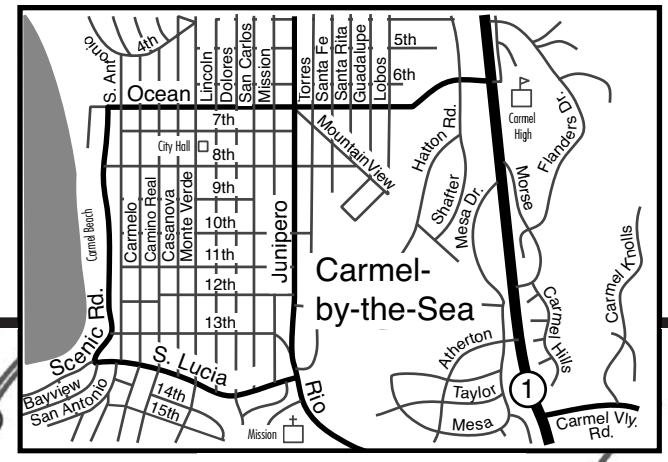
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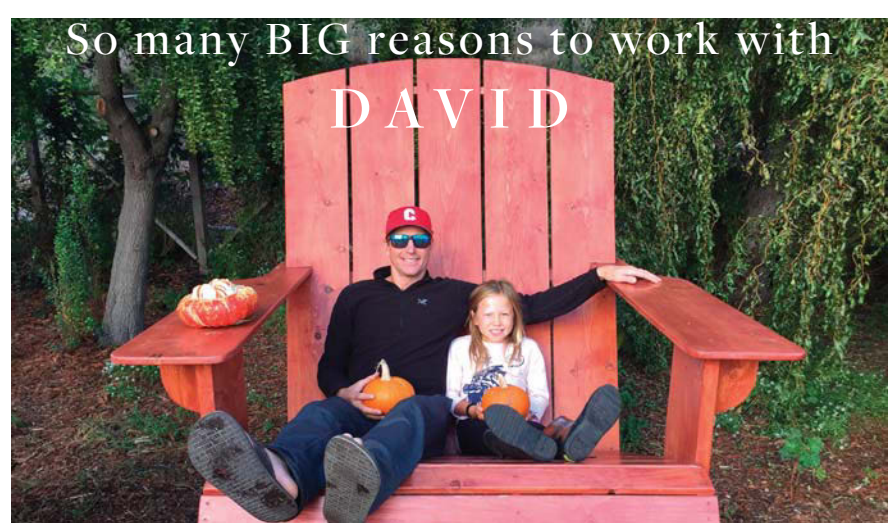
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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A person attempted to pass counterfeit currency at Sixth and Junipero.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: The manager of a restaurant on Mission Street north of Seventh Avenue reported two male subjects grabbing a bottle of liquor from behind the bar and running out without paying for it. The manager was able to follow one of the subjects and called police. Contact was made with the subject, who admitted to taking the bottle. The manager of the restaurant requested no prosecution and only wanted the bottle back. The male subject was warned, and the bottle of liquor was returned to the manager.

Pacific Grove: A subject who lives out of state but does business in P.G. reported theft via a Craigslist rental property scam involving a

property on Forest Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Officers were dispatched to a verbal domestic dispute on Lighthouse Avenue. Upon arrival, both parties were separated. The male subject had a no-bail warrant. The 42-year-old male was placed under arrest. Ex-wife did not want to press charges for the incident. Nothing further.

Pacific Grove: Dispatched to an argument on Lighthouse Avenue between a repo crew and the person who had been driving the vehicle to be repossessed.

Pacific Grove: Three subjects were contacted in public on Ocean View Boulevard. All subjects admitted to using marijuana prior to contact. One of the subjects was a juvenile. The juvenile obtained the marijuana from an adult. The adult was cited and released on scene.

Carmel Valley: Citizen reported losing expensive earrings on Old Ranch Road.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a report of a possibly suicidal 19-year-old male on Rancho San Carlos Road. He was transported to CHOMP by ambulance.

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