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AS PEOPLE HIDE, NATURE BURSTS INTO FULL VIEW



If John Muir was right, and on “every walk with nature one receives far more than he seeks,” that’s even more true these days, when tourists are nonexistent and the political world is so glum. Photographers Douglas Steakley (above and right) and David Mullally (top right) certainly found it to be so this week when they captured a bounty of wildflowers at Garland Park and witnessed a uniquely uncrowded vista in Big Sur.



Virus driving out downtown businesses

■ Landlords helping some stay

By MARY SCHLEY

SEVERAL RETAILERS, a yoga studio and a restaurant have closed for good, thanks to the economic standstill brought about by the coronavirus-induced shutdown, while others are struggling to hang on long enough to make it through to the other side — whenever that is and whatever it looks like. Helping them are the landlords who are discounting rents or forgiving them altogether.

Two art galleries on Dolores between Fifth and Sixth are gone, Etats-Unis restaurant on the same street won’t reopen, Lopez Liquors on San Carlos is shutting down — but might eventually relocate — and the Yoga Center of Carmel has called it quits, for starters.

No tourist money

“I don’t see a swift return in business, and I had to make a decision which business I will keep open,” said chef Soerke Peters, who owns Etats-Unis along with Mezzaluna restaurant in Pacific Grove with partner Amy Stouffer. “Since Mezzaluna is not as dependent on tourism as Etats-

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Officials fuming over latest shutdown order

By MARY SCHLEY

WHEN MONTEREY County Health Officer Ed Moreno issued a revised shelter-in-place order Friday, he took thousands more people out of the workforce by decreeing that very little construction work can continue, and that landscapers and gardeners can only work to reduce fire danger and prevent other hazards.

But with unemployment rates climbing and people starting to panic about how they’re going to pay their bills, members of the construction and architecture trades, as well as public officials, are trying to convince Moreno to roll back restrictions they feel do more harm than good.

“We will be querying the health director about why is construction prohibited when they can take safety measures? And why are gardeners?” city administrator Chip Rerig said. Many landscapers work alone or in crews

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City faces \$4.4M deficit this year

By MARY SCHLEY

HOTEL TAXES are expected to bring in half of what the city council and administration projected when they drafted the 2019-2020 budget last spring, city administrator Chip Rerig told The Pine Cone Tuesday, and revenues from sales taxes will fall drastically short as well. With less than three months to go in the fiscal year that ends June 30, Rerig is projecting a shortfall of \$4.4 million, and he and the council will have to figure out what to do about it.

“We projected TOT at \$6.88 million for this fiscal year,” Rerig said. Hotel taxes provide a significant chunk of the \$25 million annual budget. “Our revised figure is \$3.8 million.”

And five years from now, Rerig said he expects hotel taxes still won’t have rebounded, projecting they’ll come in around \$5.8 million.

“We don’t know whether people’s travel patterns will return — whether people will be concerned about vacationing,” he said.

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Health official warns of surge, hospital shortage

■ Another death brings total to three

By KELLY NIX

DESPITE THE relatively small number of people in Monterey County who are known to be infected with COVID-19, the county health officer predicts that hospitals here won’t have enough beds to deal with a massive “surge” of patients he expects to become seriously ill in the weeks ahead. During a conference call with reporters, Dr. Edward Moreno also said he has no plans to loosen or lift the shelter-in-place order he issued more than three weeks ago.

When asked by a Pine Cone reporter during a Wednesday press briefing how many more confirmed COVID-19 cases he believes the county will have in the next few weeks, Moreno offered this grim response:

“We anticipate that the demand for hospital beds will exceed the number of beds that we have in Monterey County,” Moreno said.

There were 69 people in Monterey County, as of Thursday, who had tested positive for coronavirus. The county, again with no fanfare and without offering any details, reported another death from the virus Wednesday night, bringing the total number to three of those who have died from it — or with it.

Hospitals to be overwhelmed

To contend with the large number of sick COVID-19 patients still expected to come in the county, the health department is working with the four hospitals to come up with more beds. Gov. Gavin Newsom, he said, has asked hospitals in the state to set a target of increasing their bed capacity by 40 percent.

But Moreno — in an especially chilling projection — said those extra beds may not be enough.

“We could still surpass our capacity, so based on some early modeling and what we think our surge capacity will be, there is still a need to prepare for the worst — which would be patients needing hospital-level care and the hospitals can’t provide it,” he said.

Moreno said the county is trying to find ways to offer alternative care or isolation sites to free up beds for those who become sick and who may have been hospitalized but are “not ready to go home.”

Office of Emergency Services manager Gerry Malais

said that the state informed Monterey County it would get up to 100 new trailers from FEMA designed to isolate people with COVID-19. However, Malais told The Pine Cone Wednesday that state officials informed the county “of a

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Seriously ill drummer is on ventilator at CHOMP

By CHRIS COUNTS

HIGHLY RESPECTED Monterey jazz drummer Andy Weis — who plays regularly at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach — is seriously ill with coronavirus and is being treated at CHOMP, his daughter confirmed this week.

“Dad was admitted to the hospital yesterday afternoon after having been ill for a couple of weeks,” Audrey Weis

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PHOTO/BEN KAATZ

Drummer Andy Weis of Monterey is hospitalized with coronavirus. A gifted jazz musician who was mentored by the legendary Louie Bellson, Weis played as recently as last month at Spanish Bay.



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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Red Rover

BUDDY ARRIVED, at 8 weeks, as an early Christmas gift from his person's family. He couldn't replace her previous yellow Labrador retriever, Wesley, but this little Fox Red retriever was sure to find his own special place in her heart.

Apparently, light-colored Labradors were once more unusual than the reds, so they became the coveted type. But once breeders began selectively breeding for lighter-colored Labs, the reds became rare, which resulted in increased demand for them.

Buddy's person has seen only one other Fox Red retriever while walking in Carmel, where she lives with her family, not far from the Carmel Mission. It's an easy walk with Buddy to Carmel Beach, where this water boy races right into the waves. Unless there's a ball.

"Buddy starts whining when we turn onto Santa Lucia because he knows exactly where we're going," his person said. "He shoots down the stairs to the sand, but he looks back to be sure his ball is coming. We toss it from the street and follow him into the sand."

Chasing that ball into the waves keeps Buddy so engaged, he naturally gives other folks their space.



Which is a good thing these days.

On neighborhood walks, his person keeps him on a leash, so he doesn't go nose to nose with other dogs. He loves hiking the Mission Fields and Garland Park trails, where it's a little easier to keep his social distance.

Buddy, now 7, has begun to mellow from the rambunctious retriever he was as a puppy to a more reserved member of the family. In the evening, when his family sits down to dinner, he waits until they've said grace before he eats his meal.

"He sits there so patiently," his person said. "But as soon as we say 'Amen,' he digs in."

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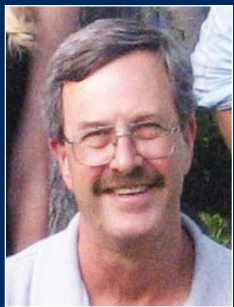
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– Ashlee Wright, Library and Community Activities Director

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Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

Superfluous car product stolen

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.

THURSDAY, MARCH 19

Carmel area: Window broken on a vehicle while parked at Point Lobos.

Pacific Grove: At 0429 hours, a female on Jewell Avenue reported the theft of large amounts of cash.

Pacific Grove: Suspicious person reported on Lighthouse Avenue. Admonished for trespassing.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle on Sunset Drive was burglarized.

Pacific Grove: Suspicious circumstances on Sunset Drive.

Pebble Beach: Conducted a welfare check on Cantera Court, with negative contact.

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic enforcement stop at Carpenter and Highway 1 at 0208 hours for vehicle code violations resulted in the 51-year-old male Carmel resident being arrested for DUI on drugs, driving with a license suspended for DUI, and a probation violation, as well as running a red light. The subject was released with a promise to appear. The vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Contacted a cat owner at a residence at Dolores and Second where a cat went missing from. Attempting to capture the cat in a trap. Will continue until

cat is captured. Ongoing assist.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Responded to a loose dog that was captured and held in the area of Carmelo and Santa Lucia Avenue. An area check was made, and the owner was located. The dog was returned to the owners with a warning.

Pacific Grove: Unattended death at a Monarch Lane residence. Coroner responded.

Carmel Valley: Theft of dining room chairs from a Miramonte Road residence.

Carmel area: Subject attempted to shoplift at a business at the Crossroads shopping center. Trespassing admonishment given.

Carmel Valley: Report of domestic dispute on Dorris Drive where a knife was brandished.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officer responded to a dog that was unattended on the beach and at nearby houses. Officer observed the dog unattended and followed the dog to its residence. The dog was returned to the owner with a warning. Educational information discussed.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Bat found on the ground at the side of the road in the area of Santa Fe and Mountain View. Captured and transported to SPCA Wildlife.

Carmel area: Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance at a Valenzuela Road residence.

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in the Real Estate Section



The gavel falls

Verdicts, pleas and sentencings announced by Monterey County District Attorney Jeannine Pacioni

Feb. 18 — Robert Dee Davis, 35, of Salinas, pled guilty today to two counts of first-degree residential burglary, one count of vehicle theft, and one count of grand theft.

Davis, who also admitted a prior strike conviction from a 2013 residential burglary in Santa Cruz County, will be sentenced to 13 years and 4 months in state prison.

On July 4, 2018, Davis was captured on video breaking into a residence in Salinas by prying open a door with a crowbar. He also burglarized a detached shed on the property. Davis stole more than \$16,000 in cash, jewelry and tools. At the time of the burglary, Davis was driving a stolen vehicle that was later found bleached, stripped and crashed into a ravine.

On August 28, 2018, Davis broke into another home in Salinas, stealing more than \$10,000 in jewelry, electronics, and other personal property.

On August 31, 2018, Davis broke into an unlocked vehicle in Carmel Valley and stole electronics and debit and credit cards of the vehicle owner. He used those cards to steal at multiple locations with video surveillance.

Davis was arrested on September 1, 2018 by California Highway Patrol and had stolen property from two previous burglaries in his vehicle.

Feb. 18 — Angel Isaac Ramirez, 25, was sentenced by Judge Pamela Butler to 54-years-to-life for the 2015 murder of Dex-

ter Barnett.

On December 6, 2019, a jury found Ramirez guilty of murder in the first degree, that he personally used a firearm in the commission of the murder, and that the murder was committed for the benefit of the Norteño Criminal Street Gang.

On the night of January 10, 2015, Ramirez had been attempting to purchase beer at the Chin Brothers Market on North Main Street in the City of Salinas. The victim was also in the Chin Brothers Market and verbally challenged Ramirez to fight resulting in a public display of disrespect. Ramirez left the store and returned with other gang members who confronted the victim outside of the market. The victim was ultimately able to leave because he had his 11-year-old son with him.

Less than two hours later, Ramirez, who is an active participant in the Norteño Criminal Street Gang, walked past the victim near Happy to be Nappy, a barbershop in the Chinatown area of Salinas. Ramirez hid at the corner of the business in the cover of darkness at East Lake Street. Less than a minute later Mr. Barnett walked to the corner where Ramirez was lying in wait and was shot multiple times by a .45 caliber semi-automatic Glock pistol. Barnett died at the corner of East Lake Street and North Main Street. Ramirez confessed the murder to other ranking Norteño Crimi-

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Council reduces mail delivery

By MARY SCHLEY

WITH THE cost of having a courier deliver mail to anyone in the city who requests it “about to eclipse \$90,000,” the city council decided Tuesday to proceed with its plans to modify the program so that only people who are unable to go to the post office will be eligible, while others who want it would have to pay for it.

Council members also said that at some point in the future, they want to discuss abandoning the tradition of having no house numbers, which is what prevents the U.S. Postal Service from delivering mail to people’s homes and also makes qualifying for credit cards and getting utility hookups difficult.

For nearly two decades, taxpayers have funded a messenger service to deliver mail “as an essential service for those residents that are physically unable to visit the post office or who, for some other reason, cannot obtain mail on a regular basis.”

Over the years, the cost per address and number of people taking advantage of the service have steadily risen, with the city estimating the expense in the 2020-2021 fiscal year will be \$71,000 for delivery to an average of 145 addresses. Rerig said about a dozen more people signed up in the last couple of weeks, and he speculated most of them are non-residents staying in their vacation homes during the statewide shelter order.

Last month, the council agreed residents who use the service should provide some proof of disability, either with a doctor’s note or a disabled parking placard. Those who are able bodied but don’t want to go get their mail could also use the ser-

vice, but the city would charge them.

Resident Vinz Koller asked why the council was considering reducing mail delivery during a time when even healthy people are reluctant to go to the post office. During a pandemic “that is forcing all of us to practice social distancing,” he said, “that you’re considering this now is embarrassing.”

He also suggested the \$90,000 cost is insignificant, especially since voters approved a new sales tax for next year, and said that administering the program will cost the city money — possibly more than it would save by paring down the number of people who get the service on the taxpayer’s dime.

Council members stuck with their plan but decided it shouldn’t take effect until 60 days after the county’s shelter-in-place order is lifted.

■ House numbers considered

Councilman Bobby Richards suggested now might be the time to consider numbering the houses, which would end a century-old tradition in town, and councilwoman Carrie Theis agreed.

“It’s not necessarily that we want the post office to deliver mail but that we can have delivery services deliver packages, along with utility issues and bank issues,” she said. “These are two separate topics. I’m comfortable with what we have now and then having a separate discussion about house numbers.”

The council voted unanimously to impose the new restrictions on mail delivery, but have them kick in two months after the shelter order goes away.

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SENIORS TACKLE ISOLATION AND FEAR OF DISEASE WITH HOPE AND GRATITUDE

By ELAINE HESSER

IT WAS the trip of a lifetime. Dianne Terrell set sail from Florida on Jan. 6 for a five-month around-the-world cruise, she said, "to find herself" again at age 80. Her journey ended prematurely in March, when she returned to her home near city hall.

Of course, she's not the only one grounded. As a group at high risk for contracting the coronavirus, seniors are confined at home, watching (or avoiding) the nonstop torrent of news from around the world. Still, they seem to be doing as well as anyone else, aside from being a little lonely and frustrated at not being able to help others.

That includes Terrell. She said that they had heard about the virus, but nobody aboard the cruise ship, including

doctors, appeared worried, and no one was sick. "It didn't seem real," she said. They had been to South America and Antarctica, but with nine ports of call left, they diverted to Fiji. The ship then sped to Australia, where everyone disembarked March 20.

A 'ghost town'

There, Terrell said, "Everything was business as usual." At the Sydney airport, "all the restaurants were open, and there were crowds of people everywhere."

When she arrived in San Francisco, however, "it was a ghost town. We walked through customs and everyone was through in 10 minutes." On the plane to Monterey, there were just a few people, all at least three seats apart.

Once she got home (and discovered that neighbors

had restocked her fridge), she began 14 fearful days of self-quarantine. As far as she knows — and she's stayed in touch with many new friends from the trip — nobody from her cruise has contracted the disease. Nor did she.

Terrell is frightened for the world around her, and wishes she were at her volunteer job at CHOMP's emergency room. Or doing something — anything — to help. She said she was sad that she couldn't even read to neighbors' children.

At the same time, she's thankful for fellow Carmelites' kindness. "My friends left stuff on the stoop. Neighbors call and check on me," she said.

Jean Baho's travel plans were interrupted before he got out the door. At 74, he's a retired Arabic instructor from DLI who shares a Pacific Grove home with his wife — also an Arabic teacher. When she retired in January, they hoped to tour the rest of the United States. Instead, he is waiting for help with a dislocated lens, a rare complication from cataract surgery that was done 22 years ago. It happened just as shelter-in-place policies went into effect.

"I was walking on the beach with my wife, and I just couldn't see out of my left eye. At first I thought I had something in it," said Baho, but after a few days with no improvement, he went to the doctor.

A surgical procedure will restore sight, but Baho said it's not considered "essential," so he has to wait. He isn't complaining, though. Some years ago, he survived a heart attack while hiking with his son at Garrapata State Park, and he's grateful for the life he has and for where he lives.

"Everything is right near us," he said, happy that he can walk to the grocery store if necessary, and take strolls in the yard behind his house. He wears an eye patch and gets headaches from the impairment, but there aren't any other options until the surgery center says it's safe to operate.

Living frugally

Mary Sue Wulfmeyer, 87, misses her friends. She was a regular at the Carmel Foundation, walking from her home near River School to take aerobics classes and have lunch with friends.

Her husband — "my darling Jack," she calls him — died last year. "I never knew a house could be this empty. But I have wonderful friends, wonderful neighbors.

"As of today, I haven't been in the grocery store for a month," she said Tuesday, because others are looking out for her.

Wulfmeyer added, "I remember the Great Depression. I know how to live very, very frugally."

And she has hope. "When we graduate from this season, I know we'll move forward. There are good things coming out of this. Families are spending more time together."

Wulfmeyer relies on her church, Cavalry Chapel in Monterey, for spiritual support, with online Sunday services and a group that meets for fellowship on Monday nights via the internet.

She's also writing a new book, a follow-up to her recently published memoir, "Roots & Petals."

Since he's 92, you'd think that Roy Hilts of Corral de

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Kornelius is nearly blind, but that does not stop him from greeting each new day with happy wags! He navigates his surroundings easily, and he's a smart, loyal and fun companion. Kornelius was born with detached retinas, and he requires daily eye drops. He's looking for a calm, adult household with an adopter that can continue to monitor his eye health.

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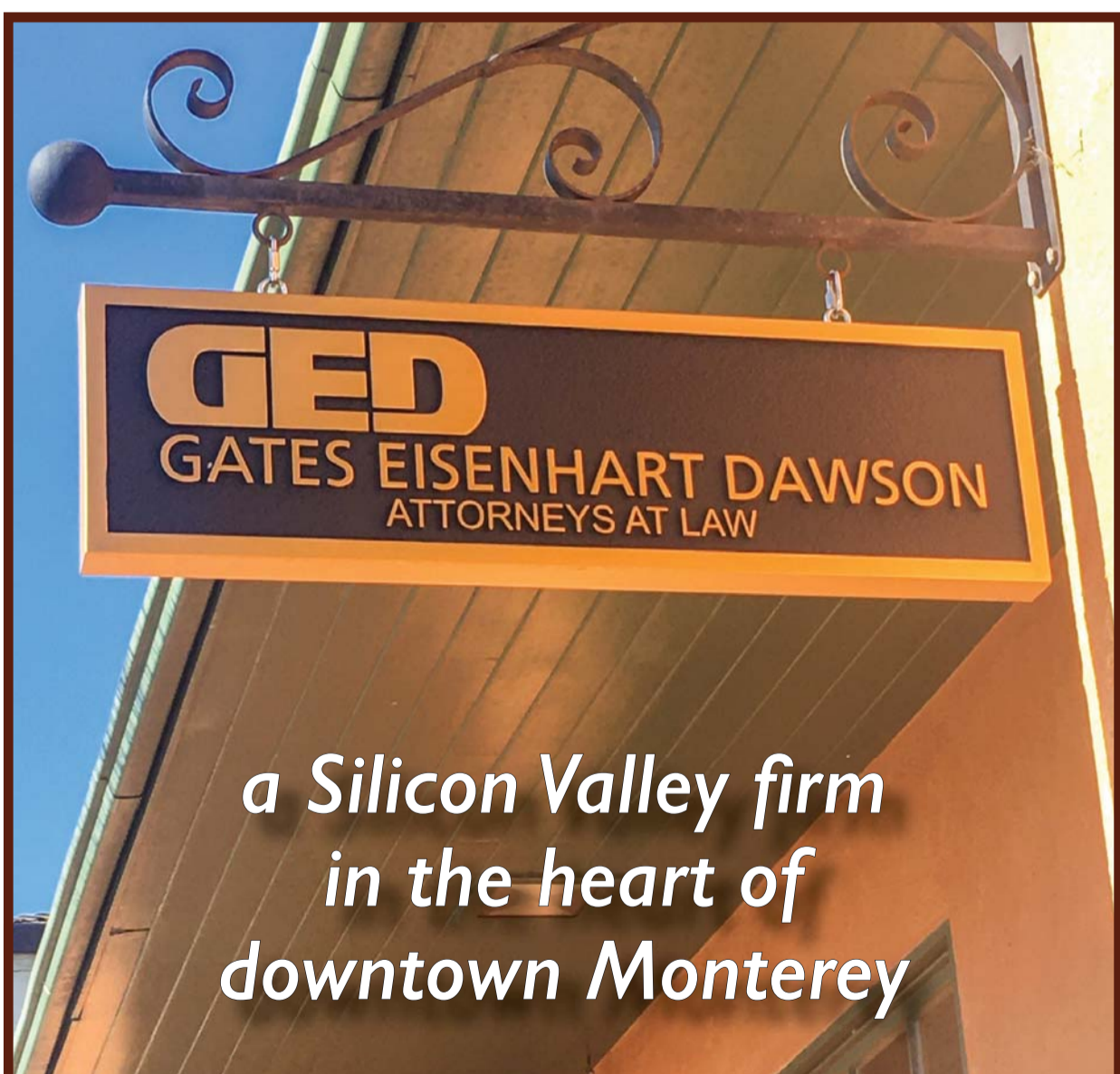


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Social distancing and rescuing steelhead could be a difficult juggling act

By CHRIS COUNTS

ALL THE rain this spring has been welcome news for the steelhead making their annual journey up the Carmel River and its tributaries to lay their eggs. But when the eggs hatch in about 60 days, will anybody be able to rescue the fingerlings from isolated parts of the river as it dries up for the summer?

Rescuing the young steelhead is usually done by employees of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and volunteers from the Carmel River Steelhead Association. But this year, the program might not happen at all because of social distancing.

The start-date for the rescues changes every year based

on local rainfall — this year, according to Brian LeNeve of the Carmel River Steelhead Association, the fish will probably need to start being rescued by late May.

“The late rain saved the steelhead run this year,” LeNeve told The Pine Cone. “It was a godsend. But the fish could be a casualty of coronavirus. When the river dries, it dries up — if we can’t do rescues, all those fish will die.”

While rescuing steelhead from remote parts of the Carmel River watershed sounds like it would be a social-distancing-friendly endeavor, it’s not. LeNeve said the group’s volunteers are required to be close together in groups of three or four.

“We work in a circle that’s about 5 feet in diameter,” he explained.

Thomas Christiansen of the MPWMD confirmed that late May or early June would likely be the best time to rescue fish. He also agreed they would need to assemble a team of three to five people to do the work, and they would

need to stand close together.

“It would probably be difficult to do it if people are still expected to proactive safe distancing,” Christiansen explained.

Are fish rescues required?

Because the local population of steelhead is considered “threatened” under federal law, Christiansen wondered if not rescuing them would violate the Endangered Species Act. “If we delay rescuing them, would that be considered a take?” he asked, using the legal term for “harm.”

Christiansen is holding out hope that the creeks will stay wet a little longer — in part due to the tourism impact of coronavirus, which he said has reduced pumping from the river for the benefit of humans.

“We may not be using as much water as we typically

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State rejects water activist bid for \$75K

By KELLY NIX

THE GROUP behind the public takeover of California American Water failed to convince a judge with the state Public Utilities Commission that it should be paid \$75,000 for arguing against Cal Am’s proposed desalination plant, according to a ruling last week.

Public Water Now requested that the group and co-founder George Riley be compensated \$74,285.95 for making what it claimed were “substantial contributions” with regard to Cal Am’s \$329 million desal plant and other components of the Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project.

On April 2, however, PUC administrative law judge Robert Haga decided that Public Water Now — which was behind a successful ballot initiative that directed the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District to take over Cal Am if it’s financially “feasible” — had not contributed anything of value.

He also said there was “no indication” PWN made several arguments it claimed to have made with regard to the private utility’s water proposal.

Expensive advice

Among the costs Riley wanted compensation for were the time he spent (at \$140 per hour) working as an “expert” advocate for his group, and \$110 per hour for the “various” advocates who worked for the nonprofit.

It also stated in the application that another anti-Cal Am group, WaterPlus, had sponsored a small discussion “almost weekly,” and another, Citizens for Just Water, focused “on Cal Am impacts on its community and ground-water supplies.”

The claims also didn’t impress the PUC judge.

“Noted, but this additional comment addresses other parties’ participation, not Public Water Now’s participation,” according to Haga.

PUC commissioners still must vote on the proposed decision, which won’t happen until at least May 7.

In November 2018, Riley was elected to the board of the water district — the very public agency handling the Cal Am takeover effort. He then stepped down from his “managing director” role in Public Water Now.

The PUC allows individuals and groups who have participated in its proceedings involving major decisions about utilities to ask for compensation for costs associated with their work.

Others have participated in the Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project, including Ron Weitzman, who requested \$300,000 for his involvement in the water project. The PUC turned him down. The PUC, though, awarded LandWatch Monterey County about \$105,000 and the California Planning and Conservation League \$210,000.

Cal Am must pay the so-called “intervenor” if the PUC decides their contributions were substantial. Monterey Peninsula customers ultimately foot the cost on their monthly water bills.

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In spite of revenue drop, council reluctant to cut much from project list

By MARY SCHLEY

DESPITE A looming \$4.4 million deficit this fiscal year and likely declines in revenue next year, the city council on Tuesday used a scalpel rather than a machete when paring down a list of nearly \$2.8 million in capital projects, including funds for climate-change planning and determining the cost of undergrounding utilities, to be included in the 2020-2021 budget.

Of the total, \$899,491 will come from other sources, including state and county taxpayers, according to public works director Bob Harary.

At the outset of their discussion, council members seemed primed to make necessary cuts

“I’ve given a great deal of thought to this and was in fact surprised that we were thinking of capital improvements at all,” councilwoman Jan Reimers said. “Everything is back on the table, and we have to prioritize.”

“As we know, the budget constraints are going to be huge ending this fiscal year and going into next fiscal

year,” councilwoman Carrie Theis said.

Harary first listed more than \$2.5 million in projects scheduled for the 2019-2020 year but yet to be completed, among them reroofing the Scout House, street paving (including the San Carlos medians and bike lanes) and renovating the police department, and said another \$400,000 is needed for the police station and \$60,000 for design work on renovation of the Scout House, which has been closed to the public since 2003 due to ADA access issues.

Arguing for bikes

Councilman Jeff Baron argued for defunding the \$1 million police department renovation but spending nearly that much on the street projects, including the San Carlos medians and bike lanes. “It’s been in the planning process for a while now,” he said. “I’m reticent to upend everything we’ve done so far.” Of the \$973,509 for paving, around \$400,000 would come from state and county tax dollars.

“I think we live in a society that is dominated by cars,”

he said, adding that he wants more money spent on making the city “more bike friendly.”

The council decided to proceed with reroofing the Scout House at a cost of \$62,720, since that contract has already been signed, and the road work, but put off the rest of the projects — for now.

Of the 30 new items Harary proposed — including more street work, drainage improvements, Sunset Center and library painting, Flanders Mansion maintenance, Forest Theater equipment, ADA upgrades, beach and park studies and projects, new vehicles, environmental studies and IT projects — the council ruled out very few, shaving around \$500,000 off the total.

New police cars and other vehicles got cut, because, Mayor Dave Potter said, buying them now might look bad in the eyes of the public, and council members decided to set aside a \$125,000 “streambed restoration project” for Mission Trail park. The \$17,000 truss system for the

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City closes Scenic Road for weekend

By MARY SCHLEY

TO KEEP crowds down over Easter weekend, city officials decided this week to close Scenic Road to non-resident traffic Friday through Sunday. The Del Mar parking area at the foot of Ocean Avenue will also be closed, and parking will be restricted on San Antonio Avenue.

“We want you to go to the beach, but we want you to keep your distance,” Mayor Dave Potter said in an announcement April 8. “Our concern is that a lot of people are going to say, ‘It’s a gorgeous day, let’s go to the beach.’”

Ever since Monterey County’s health officer issued the first countywide shelter-in-place order March 17, residents have complained that people at Carmel Beach weren’t practicing social distancing and were even having parties. County health officer Ed Moreno’s newest order, which took effect April 3, imposed more restrictions, including prohibiting public and private gatherings of any size, with a few exceptions.

“One of our most challenging topics is the beach itself and trying to keep it open,”

Potter said. “For me and my family, the beach is our best place to go for physical and mental health. If we can keep our social distances, we should be allowed to go to the beach.”

Vacationers the problem?

But, he said, some people don’t seem to understand the importance of staying at least 6 feet away from anyone who’s not in their immediate family.

“It’s challenging, because a lot of our visiting public and people who have taken up residence in their second homes don’t seem to realize that this is a communicable disease by human contact,” he said. “Social distancing is an important part of the prevention of the spread.”

Potter said a group of residents has agreed to help “patrol the beach,” talking to walkers and surfers about keeping their distance, and the holiday weekend, when people might be tempted to get together, drove the decision to close the beach parking lot and Scenic Road to cars.

“People can park in our empty downtown and walk down to the beach,” Potter told The Pine Cone.

CHOMP organizing blood donations

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE AMERICAN Red Cross is reporting a severe blood shortage due to drives being canceled because of coronavirus and is asking people who are healthy to step up. Drives organized by Community Hospital will take place in the Hartnell Professional Building at 576 Hartnell St. in Monterey April 13 from 1 to 5 p.m. and April 14 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Donors can register at blood4life.org.

In addition, the Red Cross is ask-

ing people who are fully recovered from COVID-19 to donate plasma that might help patients with severe coronavirus infections.

Their plasma contains antibodies that can attack the virus, and it’s being evaluated for treatment of seriously ill patients, according to the nonprofit. The USDA asked the Red Cross to help identify prospective donors and to manage distributing the plasma to hospitals. Anyone who is a prospective plasma donor should fill out the form found at redcrossblood.org.



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CHOMP using hydroxychloroquine

By KELLY NIX

PHYSICIANS AT Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula have treated coronavirus patients with a drug that President Donald Trump has promoted as a possible therapy and which New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo this week called “promising,” but which has not been proved to be effective against the virus.

Community Hospital medical director for infection prevention, Dr. Martha Blum, confirmed Wednesday afternoon that the Monterey hospital has treated people with hydroxychloroquine and a very common antibiotic drug, the combination being used by doctors as an experimental treatment of COVID-19.

“Yes, patients at Community Hospital have been treated with the combination of

hydroxychloroquine and azithromycin,” Blum told The Pine Cone. “We are not participating in any clinical trials for treatment.”

The drug, used in a trial in France, gained national exposure when Trump touted it in his coronavirus press briefings.

Studies inconclusive

Blum didn’t say specifically if the combination of drugs helped patients at CHOMP.

“The number of patients hospitalized and treated for COVID-19 at Community Hospital is much too small to make any assessment regarding relative outcomes,” she said. “We have discharged five COVID-19 patients who were improved and recovering.”

Patients’ underlying health conditions

— such as hypertension and asthma — are likely the most influential in determining the course COVID-19 will take in a person, she said.

Blum also pointed to a Centers for Disease Control document summarizing what she called “scant data, some of which is deeply flawed, on the efficacy of hydroxychloroquine in the treatment of COVID-19.”

According to that document, two studies, one of which is pending peer review, demonstrated a possible benefit of hydroxychloroquine and chloroquine (another

anti-malarial drug), “but both studies have methodologic limitations that in one case are substantial.” A third study found no benefit while a fourth “observed no clinical improvement and limited” effectiveness.

Large randomized trials are necessary, the CDC said, to determine the efficacy and safety of the drugs to treat COVID-19.

“We continue to monitor closely the rapidly evolving medical literature for new treatment developments, which could benefit our patients with COVID-19 at Community Hospital,” Blum said.

Teachers buy N95 masks for county

By CHRIS COUNTS

CRITICAL IN the effort to combat the spread of coronavirus, 10,000 highly specialized antiviral protective masks were set to arrive in Monterey County from China by the end of this week, thanks to the generosity of three local Chinese residents, Hanwei Tan and Yue Ming of Salinas, and Danni Lu of Marina.

The first batch of 2,400 arrived April 6, and they will all probably be in use soon.

“Several members of the local Chinese community who understand the way business is conducted in China — and who have family and other connections there — collaborated to see if they could locate N95 masks there,” Del Rey Oaks resident and real estate broker Don Gruber explained.

Tan, Ming and Lu are all teachers who work for the Defense Language Institute in Monterey.

After learning about the prospective donation from the three residents — people he knew through his work as a real estate broker — Gruber contacted county officials and learned that 10,000 masks were needed here. He passed that number on to the would-be donors, who managed to track down the masks at what Gruber described as a “reasonable cost.”

Bureaucracy threatened to momentarily derail the mask-buying binge, but the

donors were able to get around it by opening their checkbooks. The total came to \$16,000.

“Technical and policy conflicts prevented the county from purchasing directly from the supplier, so the four of us, perceiving that the masks were an important component of a successful defense against this virus, further aided the process by paying for the masks ourselves to make sure they arrive in a timely manner,” Gruber said. “We are going to be reimbursed by the county.”

Tan reported it was no easy task finding a supply of masks during the coronavirus crisis.

“There is a severe shortage of masks,” he explained. “It’s very hard to get a source and get a shipment out. There’s very high pressure on shipping out masks — every country in the world is trying to get masks from China.”

Tan told The Pine Cone that the Chinese people “are here to help.” He also pushed back against calling the pathogen, which started in Wuhan, China, the “Chinese virus.”

“We are facing the same enemy,” he said.

Lu, meanwhile, said he and the others are doing “whatever we can to help the people of Monterey County in a difficult time.”

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Auto dealer becomes drive-through food bank

By MARY SCHLEY

WHEN THE powers that be at a Seaside car dealership decided a few weeks ago it would be a good idea to set up a drive through to distribute food while still letting everybody practice social distancing, they expected maybe 100 people would show up.

But 750 people came, according to Michelle Brassard of Premier Hyundai and Chevrolet of Seaside.

For the first distribution March 31, "we had people lined up at 6:30 a.m.," she said. Since then, the numbers have only climbed, and the handouts have been so successful, the dealership's leadership and employees have decided to keep offering them on Tuesdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. for as long as the need exists.

The idea took shape in late March, soon after thousands

of people found themselves out of jobs and were forced to stay home due to the shelter-in-place order. The car dealership has a philanthropic organization called Giving HOPE, which stands for "helping out people every day," and Brassard and her boss, Joe Homen, thought a food drive would be a great way to help Peninsula residents who suddenly worried about being able to feed themselves and their families.

"We wanted to do something to help, so we reached out to the Food Bank for Monterey County," Brassard said. While many public schools have stepped up to feed the kids who would normally be having breakfast and lunch there, it seemed seniors whose families have to stay away from them could use a safe and efficient way to get food.

"We have a 7-acre lot. They come through in their cars, pop their trunks, and we fill the trunks with groceries, and then they drive on," she said. "So it's very safe for them."

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Officials want decision on mail-in ballots for presidential election

By KELLY NIX

THE MONTEREY County elections department is bracing itself for the possibility that residents will only be able to vote by mail in the November presidential election because of the coronavirus, and the registrar of voters and others are calling for a decision on the matter to be made soon.

On Monday, county registrar Claudio Valenzuela said when the coronavirus began impacting other states' primaries earlier this year, his staff began looking at options for the general election, including abandoning polling places in favor of mail-in ballots only — an idea garnering support from Democratic Party lawmakers, including House of Representatives Speaker Nancy Pelosi.

Valenzuela, who sits on the board of the California Association of Clerks and Election Officials, said he's participated in discussions with the Secretary of State Alex Padilla and a working group that represents a wide variety of advocacy organizations to determine the best course of action ahead of the November election.

"Although we do not know the duration of this pandemic, nor do we know for certain that a second wave of illnesses will return this fall prior to the November election, we must recognize that we have limited time to make decisions on how we will proceed," Valenzuela told The

Pine Cone. "We must prepare for the worst and hope for the best."


Valenzuela went on to say that, given the complexity of the election and the preparation that needs to occur months in advance, "the decision needs to happen as soon as possible."

Discussions with state officials have centered around the idea of an all-mail-ballot election with "very limited in-person voting opportunities, if at all," Valenzuela said.

An election by mail, he said, would ultimately need to

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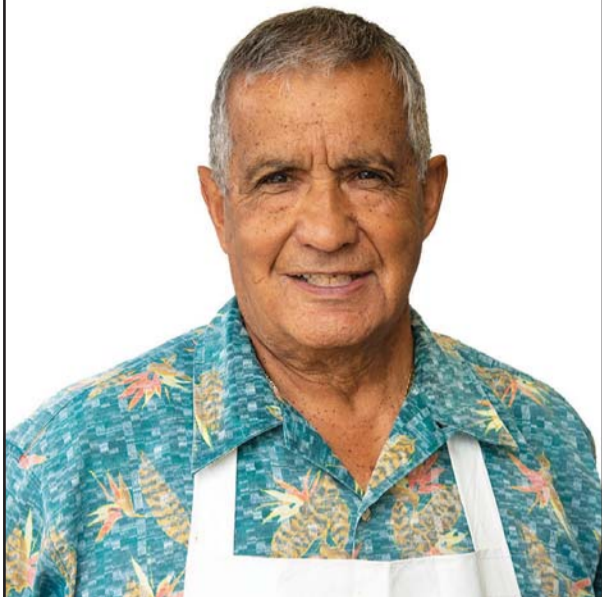
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DRUMMER

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announced Friday on a website used to keep friends and family informed about people who are ill. “He had many of the symptoms associated with COVID-19.”

That evening, she said, it had been confirmed that her dad, who’s in his 60s, has the same virus that’s causing a global epidemic.

“This is not a surprise,” she wrote from her home in North Carolina. “When I initially heard from someone at the hospital, he told me bluntly he was nearly certain dad was carrying the virus. I’d been expecting this, given his symptoms, but it’s a curious thing to know that someone you love will be added to numbers in national reporting during a pandemic.”

She noted that her father was being cared for “at the hospital where I was born,” and asked family, friends and fans to keep him in their thoughts. “Dad needs our love, well-wishes and prayers right now.”

Two days later, Weis’ daughter gave an update.

“I connected with Miriam, dad’s nurse in ICU, this morning,” she reported. “It’s her third day tending to him. Tomorrow she’ll break for two days. He was stable through the night. The only small update is that they’re adjusting his oxygen to see if he can be weaned a bit.”

She also said she had a chance to talk to him on the phone for a few minutes.

“I don’t know if he could consciously hear me, but I know his subconscious can receive sound and energy and love,” she wrote. “I told him hundreds of people were with him. I told him he was receiving the love of countless people around the world. And then I sang to him.”

The song she sang was Nat King Cole’s “Stay as Sweet as You Are.”

Two days later — April 7 — she made another post. “They’re keeping his blood pressure up with medication,” she reported. “He had no fever this morning but is still on antibiotics. They were able to make some adjustments to the ventilator — there are no major changes, but his body’s ability to receive oxygen is improving slightly.”

Weis’ daughter conceded she was hesitant to post her father’s coronavirus story online, but ultimately decided it was worth it.

“Sharing this publicly was not a choice I made easily,” she told The Pine Cone Thursday. “When word started to spread [that Weis was ill], it felt like an opportunity to clarify and shed some light on his journey. The pandemic made life as we know it really surreal. It’s easy to feel detached. That perspective changes when someone we love gets sick. My father has made this real for many people. This is a collective experience — my father is going through something that we’re all grieving about in some way.”



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Pictured here performing, drummer Andy Weis is battling coronavirus at CHOMP. His daughter has shared details on social media of the jazz musician’s medical “journey.”

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delay” with the trailers. He said there was no estimated time of when they would arrive, either.

The 9-foot-wide, 30-foot-long trailers would be equipped with everything a quarantined person would need to survive, Malais said. The county has declined to say where the trailers would be placed.

While three of the four hospitals in Monterey County last week disclosed to The Pine Cone the number of ventilators and ICU beds they have, county-operated Natividad Medical Center refused to say how many ventilators it has.

On Monday, though, county administrative officer Charles McKee said Natividad has 26 adult ventilators, 50 disposable ventilators that can be used up to 30 days, and 12 additional devices that could be converted to breathing machines.

According to the health department’s data, less than one quarter of those who have tested positive for coronavirus have needed hospitalization. Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula spokeswoman Monica Sciuto — citing data from the World Health Organization — told The Pine Cone last week that “more than 80 percent of COVID-19 cases are mild and do not require a doctor’s visit or hospitalization.”

Moreno conceded that the modeling the

county is using for the number of projected cases is “really intended for communities that have a larger number of cases” and “doesn’t work as well as we would have hoped it would work.”

He also said that while Monterey County has not had a significant increase in COVID-19 cases, and certainly not an exponential one like other areas, he believes “we have a lot more than 63 cases” in citing the number that was current at the time he made the statement. He was likely referring to those who are infected with the virus but are asymptomatic and are unaware they have it, and those who have mild symptoms and don’t require treatment.

Shutdown to continue

Moreno again this week said that the shelter-in-place order he put in place March 17 has “slowed the spread of COVID-19” in the county, but he said he has no plans to loosen or lift it, despite the massive economic losses it’s causing.

He also said he was unable to provide “specific circumstances or criteria” he would use to consider easing the isolation order.

The doctor went on to say that he and other healthcare professionals are concerned about evidence that shows “in some instances, when social distancing restrictions are eased up a bit, that the number of cases began to go up again in those communities. Not in the U.S., but in other countries.”

“As we approach a surge of cases in

Monterey County, we will be able to have better estimates of how long this is going to last,” Moreno explained.

Meanwhile, as more and more people lose their jobs in the county and businesses flounder, Democratic Rep. Jimmy Panetta’s press secretary said the congressman’s local office is getting a flood of inquiries from people about Small Business Administration loans, Social Security and unemployment and other topics related to the COVID-19 crisis.

“In the last month we’ve gotten 10,000 contacts to the office on COVID-19 alone, so we’re responding to each of those inquiries,” Sarah Wolman told The Pine Cone.

Panetta and his staff have also helped a few dozen people get back to the United States who were stuck in other countries, Wolman said.

The Carmel Valley lawmaker has also cosponsored or introduced several bills intended to aid small businesses and workers, including the Too Small to Fail Act, which would allow for up to \$15,000 in grants for small businesses that would be distributed within three days after a business or nonprofit applies for an economic injury disaster loan “so that they can receive immediate relief.”

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FUMING

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spread out over a property, he pointed out, while construction workers can easily wear masks, maintain social distancing and undertake other safety measures critical to slowing the spread of COVID-19.

“Getting small businesses back to work is the economic engine, and we need to focus on that,” Rerig continued.

In addition, most of the more than 100 construction jobs that are typically underway will add to the city’s high-dollar property-tax base when they are finished and their new values are calculated by the Monterey County Assessor.

“That’s the third leg of my economic stool. Property taxes are around \$7 million, and I need to pay attention to that,” Rerig said, especially since hotel and sales taxes have dropped off precipitously in the last month and are expected to be nonexistent through the summer, a time typically busy with tourists.

Domino effect

Rerig also noted that many other industries are impacted when construction stops, including materials suppliers, retailers and transporters.

Mayor Dave Potter said Moreno should have sought input from the dozen cities before striking another economic blow to the entire county. He speculated Moreno had no idea of the consequences of his new order.

“The whole food chain of construction breaks down,” he said, negatively affecting thousands of workers and their families.

Likewise, he wondered, if employees in restaurants and markets follow safety protocols in order to continue working, why can’t construction workers and gardeners?

“Figure out a way to keep them working,” Potter said. “It flies in the face of economic stimulus if you’re going to shut down the one viable industry.”

Potter and others are seeking a meeting with Moreno to

plead their case.

On Monday, planning director Marnie Waffle sent an email to contractors advising them of the new rules, and public works director Bob Harary has told the city’s landscaping company and his own employees they can only do weed whacking and trim or remove dangerous trees. Moreno’s order prohibits gardening for cosmetic appearance or maintenance, so the city’s several parks and the gardens in front of city hall and the library will be left to grow wild, including the grass at Devendorf Park.

“Our contractor, Town and Country, will be reduced to weed whacking — fire mitigation/prevention is essential — so that’s about 10 to 15 percent of their work,” Harary said. “Our forestry crews in house have a very large backlog of removing and pruning hazardous trees. They will also be starting weed whacking city-wide as soon as next week.”

Harary said he and his staff are also “only working on essential, health and safety-oriented tasks.”

Waffle’s email stated that crews can only work on critical construction projects like infrastructure, healthcare operations, affordable housing and essential public works.

House party leads to busts for not sheltering

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

MONTEREY POLICE cited the resident of an apartment on Helvic Avenue and three of her friends Friday night for violating the county’s shelter-in-place order, according to Chief David Hober.

Officers went to the apartment shortly after 10:15 p.m. following multiple noise complaints and efforts to reach the resident, 29-year-old Ashley Deorona, by phone, Hober said. When they arrived, she tried to keep them from investigating the complaints, but of course, they prevailed.

As a result, police cited Deorona for interfering and for violating the county health officer’s order, and also wrote tickets for shelter-in-place violations to 23-year-old Pacif-

Contractors can also do whatever is necessary to ensure their worksites “are left in a safe and secure manner,” and can build or repair structures containing essential businesses to make sure they are “safe, sanitary, or habitable and operable” — if that work can’t be delayed.

This week, workers on projects Moreno deemed not essential were making their buildings weather tight, covering or fencing off open trenches, shoring up building sites to stabilize adjacent properties, installing drainage, and making sure electrical and plumbing systems are safe and sanitary in occupied buildings.

And police officers were busy contacting gardeners and checking sites that generated calls to the station, verifying the work being done was allowed under the order.

“The actions we take over the next few weeks are critical to mitigating the spread of COVID-19 in our community,” Waffle said in her email.

“While we understand the financial impacts these decisions have on businesses and individuals,” she added, “we ask for your continued cooperation as we make these difficult decisions in order to protect you, your families and our community.”

ic Grove resident Daniel Rosa, Marco Flores, also 23, of Monterey, and Carmel resident Kianna Stokkebye, who is 26. Violating the order is a misdemeanor punishable by up to \$1,000 in fines and jail time.

Hober said his department, like others on the Peninsula, continues to receive numerous reports of shelter and social-distancing violations. And, like many others, his officers generally lean toward educating and warning people.

“However, when persons blatantly violate the county health officer’s order, the MPD will vigorously enforce the order,” he said.

The updated April 3 order bans “all public and private gatherings” occurring outside a single household, except for funerals, which can have no more than 10 people.

Robert Stewart Condry

August 16, 1941 - March 30, 2020

Robert Condry, (“Bob”), 78, a 27-year resident of Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA, formerly of Glen Ellyn, IL and Richmond, VA, died peacefully on March 30, 2020. He was a husband, father, grandpa, son, brother, uncle, devout Catholic, proud U.S. Army veteran, and friend to all. He is also fondly remembered for his huge smile, easy-going manner, patience, love of drawing, and a friendly round of golf.

Bob’s joy and his center, was his family, most especially, Mary nee Heinzer, his wife whom he adored.



They raised their children, volunteered and traveled the globe for 53 years. Both were born and raised in Charleston, West Virginia. He was the son of Dr. John Charles Condry, MD, and Mary Louise (Jester), the second of four boys, all of whom attended Charleston Catholic High School. Bob graduated from Morris Harvey College (now the University of Charleston). He fulfilled his obligation in the U.S. Army at the Presidio of Monterey, CA. During that time he dated his sweetheart, Mary, who was working in San Francisco. They would meet in Carmel on the weekends, staying with Mary’s cousin, late local artist Stan Spohn and wife Letty. These weekends in Carmel planted the hopeful seed of returning to live one day. Bob and Mary married in May, 1966 and started their married life together in San Francisco. He worked for Dunn & Bradstreet until they packed up and returned east so that Bob could earn his MBA at George Washington University. After his Hospital Administration residency at Georgetown, he took his first position as Assistant Administrator of the Medical College of Virginia (now called Virginia Commonwealth University) Hospital, where their children, Mary-Lynch and John were born. They moved to Glen Ellyn, IL in 1975. Bob continued his career in Hospital

Administration at Loyola University Medical Center, where he retired as Hospital Director in 1993. His leadership there is remembered as compassionate and patient-centered.

In 1993, Mary and Bob fulfilled their lifelong dream of “running to the sea” and moved to Carmel where they quickly became engaged in civic volunteer activities such as the Carmel Residents Association, Friends of Carmel Forest, and religious ministry at the beloved Carmel Mission Basilica. He was a Liturgical Minister, a co-founder of Carmel Mission Docent Association (CMDA), including treasurer of CMDA for 12 years and member of Docent Council since its founding. Bob loved serving as Chair of the Falge Farmworker Program, fundraising, managing operations, and coordinating the much-needed donations to the migrant farm workers in the Salinas valley. His friend and fellow volunteer Roger Fiola said, “His care for God’s working poor and their families was unstoppable and resolute.” Bob led the program until late 2019.

Bob is survived by his beloved wife of 53 years, Mary; adored children John Stewart; Mary-Lynch (Michael Tarpey); cherished grandchildren Mikey, Annie, Bridget and Luke; brother, Michael (Katie Lam); sisters-in-law, Sandra Condry and Linda Condry; many nieces, nephews, and friends. He was preceded in death by his brothers John C. Condry and Patrick J. Condry.

A Celebration of Life Funeral Mass will be held in the future. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be sent to one of three Carmel Mission Basilica Ministries: Falge Farmworker Program, Carmel Mission Docent Association or Carmel Mission Organ Fund at the Carmel Mission Basilica, 3080 Rio Road, Carmel, CA 93921. Please indicate fund preference in memo portion of the check, or call 831-624-1271, ext. 200.



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Marie Moreali

Marie Moreali entered into rest in Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, on March 31, 2020, at the age of 90. Marie was the beloved wife of the late Carmen (Carmine) Moreali. She was the loving mother to Carol, Gary, Marty and wife Cindy Moreali, and Donna and husband Michael Ferrigno. She was a devoted grandmother and great-grandmother and the dear sister of Petrina Ciolino. Marie loved to paint, sketch, and go for her daily morning walks. But most of all, she enjoyed spending time with her family. She touched many lives and she will be greatly missed by all who loved her.

No services will be held due to the current circumstances. A donation to The Alzheimer’s Association, Alz.org, in Marie’s name, would be a lovely gesture.



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BUSINESSES

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Unis, it was an easy choice.”

Income during the city’s busy season helped carry the little French bistro through the slow months, but between the giant pit at Dolores and Fifth that drastically slowed foot traffic to that end of the block, and a spring and summer destroyed by the pandemic, he couldn’t see keeping it.

In an announcement to clients, Kathleen Karachale, who operated her yoga center in a space at Sunset Center for 31 years, said she decided to close because the rigorous sanitation regimens that will surely remain after coronavirus would be impossible to follow in her studio.

“Yoga Center of Carmel has always prided itself in keeping our center a safe and welcoming haven for all of its students,” she said. But the reality of the virus will make it too hard to continue that.

“Even if we were to totally clean the studio after each class, it could not be up to our standard of safety,” she said.

In addition, Jacob Brest closed his gallery near the post office, and Bryan Hillstrom vacated his gallery space across the street from the Village Corner. Both galleries bore their owners’ names.

Lopez fight over rent

Manuel Lopez, one of the brothers who own Lopez Liquors, said Tuesday that he’s closing the store because he couldn’t negotiate a deep enough rent discount with his landlady, Jo Jo White, during the shutdown.

“We have several businesses around the Peninsula, and generally speaking, we have been able to get in touch with all our landlords and more or less work a suitable deal to keep us in business,” said Lopez, whose family owns several liquor stores and a cantina. “The response time and willingness to work with us in Pacific Grove and Monterey was quite prompt.”

But Lopez said he had a hard time get-

ting in touch with White because he had to work through a property management company, which later offered a \$1,000 discount on the \$7,123 monthly rent, which is based on \$5.50 per square foot.

The company also requested documentation showing revenues — which Lopez said have dropped by around 80 percent due to the shutdown because the tourists and downtown employees are gone — had been negatively affected.

He wanted assurance the rent, which he’s been paying under a month-to-month lease since 2017, would be discounted, and when that was not forthcoming, he decided to close and search for another location in town during the coming year.

“We will find something else in Carmel,” he said.

Landlords helping

White told The Pine Cone Lopez and his brothers wanted their rent waived, not discounted, and she was skeptical business was so bad, considering alcohol sales have sharply increased all over the country since the shutdown started.

“The situation was that they wanted 100 percent free rent,” said White. “We reached out to them to try to make rent adjustments and discounts following all the guidelines of the State of California, the County of Monterey and the City of Carmel, but I have not received any financial information to facilitate any discounts or adjustments to their rent.”

Gabe Georis, who owns Barmel and Pescadero restaurant, also located in Carmel Square, said White reduced his rent by half. He is trying to take advantage of the Small Business Administration’s new loans in order to stay in business.

Property owners willing to ease up on the rents are one of the keys to helping the city’s small businesses survive the shutdown, Mayor Dave Potter said this week.

“We are seeing some very appropriate sympathy for businesses,” he said. “Some landlords are forgiving or deferring payment of rent. And it’s going to be hard to fill those spaces if they’re empty.”

Just before the county and statewide shutdowns began, landlords Alan Porter and John Plastini told their downtown tenants they wouldn’t have to pay rent in April. Others have given discounts to their tenants, too. Jody LeTowt, who also has downtown properties, said he gave most of his 40 tenants breaks on the rent.

“I have been giving rent concessions to most of my tenants — especially retailers,” he said.

Potter said he’s “pleased with the community coming together,” and he hopes to see that collaboration continue as the pandemic slows and businesses reopen.

“It will ramp up slowly,” he said.



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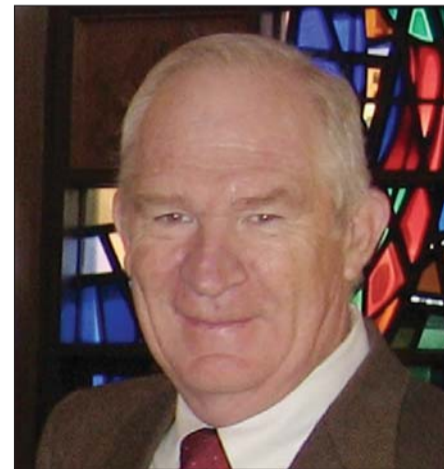
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Thomas Edward Cooper

1943 ♦ 2020

Dr. Thomas Edward Cooper was born to Carmen and James Cooper in Lindsay, California on May 31, 1943. He passed away peacefully on March 26, 2020, in Park City, Utah.

Tom married his “Swiss Miss,” Helen Schildknecht, the love of his life, in 1968 while he was finishing his Ph.D. in mechanical engineering at the University of California at Berkeley. Subsequently he graduated from Harvard’s program on National and International Security Affairs. In 1975 he was chosen as one of the “Outstanding Young Men in America,” and was also listed in American Men of Science and in Who’s Who in the West.



Professionally, Tom had a varied and prolific career. From 1970 to 1976 he taught mechanical engineering at the University of California, Berkeley and at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California. In 1976 he was chosen to be a Congressional Science Fellow with the House Armed Services Committee in Washington, D.C., and a year later he became a permanent staff member of the Committee. In 1982, he was appointed by President Reagan to serve as Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Research, Development and Logistics. In 1987 Jack Welch, chairman of General Electric, recruited Tom to become the Vice President of the company’s Washington Operations where he remained until he retired in 2008. Since then, he and his wife split their time between Park City, Utah and Monterey, California. He was a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Sigma Xi, North American Research Society and Tau Beta Pi.

Tom was a gifted athlete who played football for the University of California, Berkeley, and was also captain of the school’s baseball team. He later played professional baseball for the California Angels organization at the Triple-A level. He was an exceptional golfer, avid fly fisherman, and a reluctant skier — he often recalled his heroic win on the slopes, narrowly besting his then sixteen year old daughter Niki, in what became forever known as “The Great Race.”

Tom is survived by his brother Don Cooper; his sister Becky Coon; Helen, his wife of 52 years, whom he called the “catch of his life;” their daughter Niki Cooper Ludovico; his son in law Jim Ludovico; and by his four granddaughters (Reese, Lauren, Alex and Hayden), whom he affectionately called “The Beautiful Noise.”

For Tom the Rivers of Time have run their course. For his family and many friends, his journey ended too soon. He will be remembered in their hearts forever as a truly good man.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to The First Tee of Monterey County.

Due to current covid19 pandemic restrictions, memorial services will be delayed.

Joan Cobb Hopkins

1932-2020

Longtime Monterey Peninsula resident and beloved piano teacher, Joan Cobb Hopkins, passed away peacefully at her home in Carmel Valley on April 5th. She was born in New York City in 1932 to music composer



parents, Ida Bostelmann and Scribner Cobb. At age 16, when her father became terminally ill, she left high school to work full time as a secretary at the Australian Consulate. After 3-1/2 years as a Manhattan secretary, Joan attended Pomona College and then Barnard College, graduating in 1956, after which she studied for a year at the Hochschule fur Musik in Munich, Germany.

In 1958 she married

photographer Peter Hopkins (1918-2004) of Princeton, New Jersey, and in 1962, they drove out to California with their two young children and settled in Carmel Valley. Joan worked as a piano teacher for decades and like her parents, loved to write music. In 1975 her musical, “Dear Earthlings,” was produced by Monterey Peninsula College and subsequently by Fitch Middle school where her musical, “Tooth Rock,” was also produced. Over the years, Joan wrote several hundred songs, often with themes of peace and the environment. In 2009, her CD, “Songs to Heal Our Planet,” was produced by savethewhales.org.

Joan was very passionate about and developed her own theories regarding the healing qualities of music. As a spiritual healer, she would compose “songfirmations” for her clients, based on their home-tone which Joan would determine with muscle testing. She was devoted to Indian spirituality and New Age mysticism and was a follower of Amma, the hugging saint of India who gave Joan her spiritual name, Durgama.

Joan will be dearly missed but always remembered as a very joyful, generous and positive person. She is survived by her son, Chris Hopkins of Los Angeles, her daughter, Pamela of Carmel Valley, her grandson, Peter Mellinger, and her brother, Edward Cobb of Racine, Wisconsin. A virtual celebration of her life will be held in the near future. Information will be available at BermudezFamilyFunerals.com.

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Complicating matters for the city, Gov. Gavin Newsom's decision to let small businesses with less than \$5 million in annual sales put off paying up to \$50,000 in sales taxes for a year could hit the city hard, according to Rerig. The city usually takes in about \$5.6 million in sales taxes, much of it from small businesses.

Hard choices

To make up for the huge shortfall, decision makers will have to figure out which contracts can be cut and what work can be done by city employees instead of outside workers that cost more money. They don't want to cut any jobs, but considering the fact employees make up a large part of the city's expenditures, they might not have a choice.

"These are large changes, and what we need to do is look at expenditure reductions that are of the same scale and caliber," Rerig said. "We're a service provider — 79 percent of our budget is salaries and benefits and insurance."

But he said his "goal is to make sure the employees are provided all the benefits that are afforded by our contracts with them and the state and federal legislation," including the \$2 trillion CARES Act signed by the president a couple of weeks ago.

Rerig said he hopes to make up some of the losses by being more efficient and that he'd first like to look at cutting costs elsewhere, like scaling back maintenance services "to make sure they're not excessive," and not spending as much on beautification efforts.

"We need to look at every contract," he said. "It's really reopening all of our assumptions and looking at them again."

Rerig plans to pursue refinancing the Sunset Center bonds, which should save taxpayers \$100,000 per year, but he also mentioned the looming increase in the city's already huge retirement debt.


"With all this, you know that CalPERS has lost 30 percent of its value, and they're going to make that up by knocking on my door," he said. For the last few years, decision makers have been looking at ways to pay \$20 million in retirement obligations. But with the steep declines in the stock market and a recession ahead, Rerig wondered, "Did

that amount double? Did that triple? We don't know yet."


He also wants to look at capital projects — vehicle purchases, facilities upgrades, trail work and other efforts — to see where cuts can be made, and he advocated for putting off capital work over the next few years while the city recovers.

"If we are able to claw back the funds that we have budgeted for some of our capital work and are maybe able to take a break from new capital work for next year and the year following, those are the ways you start to have a little more funding to pay for essential services," he said Tuesday morning. "There are some tough decisions coming up."

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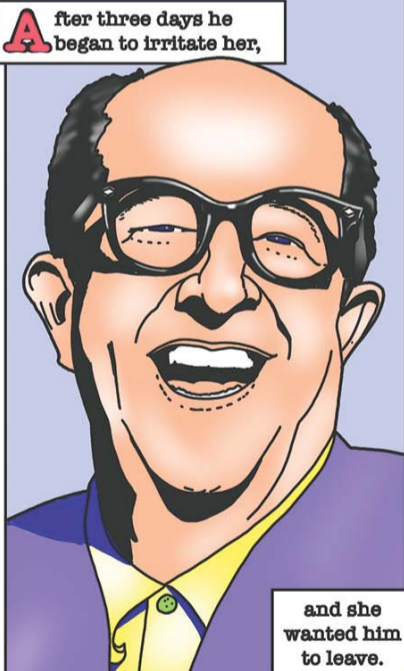
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A basketball dad is spotted 8 points, and still manages to lose

WE USED this space a week ago to invite our readers to share their “15 Seconds of Fame,” a magical (or perhaps not-so-magical) moment in their personal athletic history that — at least in their own minds — has stood the test of time.

Fame and infamy come in all shapes and sizes. Maybe

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

you hit a grand-slam home run to win the Little League World Series on “ABC’s Wide World of Sports” when you were 11 years old. Maybe you impressed your future spouse by winning a greased pig-chasing competition at the county fair. Maybe you almost beat Tito Fuentes — or was it Tito Puente? — in arm wrestling.



Or maybe your moment in the sun was largely vicarious — a moment of parental pride — like the one we’ll share this week from Martin Beaulieu, who lives near Quail Lodge. He watched his son, Eric, grow into a towering high school basketball star.

“When somebody asked me what it was like to watch my son play, I’d tell them, ‘It’s like watching a movie with your favorite actor,’” said Beaulieu, whose kid went on to captain the basketball team at Colby College in Waterville, Maine. “Sometimes it’s a tragedy, sometimes a comedy, sometimes an action movie, sometimes a drama. It doesn’t matter, because the star is your favorite actor.”

Here’s a father-son memory from Beaulieu, who, by the way, was a 6-5 honorable mention all-leaguer at San Jose’s Jesuit High in his own heyday.

“All-League, All-State, All-Coast ... almost,” he wistfully boasts.

Beaulieu works for a financial technology firm, and says he’s an inch shorter today than he used to be.

15 Seconds of Fame: Getting schooled

By Martin Beaulieu

Our firstborn came into the world on Oct. 26, 1989 — a boy we decided to name Eric in honor of my grandmother’s family of Norwegian immigrants. He was lanky, even at birth, and I immediately nicknamed him “Big E,” after the great NBA superstar Elvin Hayes.

I indoctrinated him into the professional game early on, and we both became Lakers fans during our sojourn in Southern California.

I coached his youth teams for years, and played countless games of one-on-one basketball, or two-on-one with his younger brother.

Eric grew and grew, until one day, in late high school, he passed me in height, hitting 6-foot-6. I watched him dunk in games and saw him become captain of our local high school basketball team.

Shortly thereafter, Eric and I were preparing for a little one-on-one (frankly, I was simply hoping I wouldn’t get hurt), and I demanded he spot me 9 points in a 10-point game. We negotiated. Eric granted me an 8-0 head start, then proceeded to thrash me 10-8.

It was no way to treat the patriarch of the family, but my son justified the beatdown by declaring it “payback for all the times you backed me down in the post to win the game when I was 14.”

Which, by the way, was a total fabrication. The last time I ever successfully backed Eric down in the post, he was 12. And, in my defense, I was simply trying to teach him the powerful life lessons that sports provide.

He’s 30 now. I still only get 8 points when we play.

What’s your 15 seconds?

We invite you to share your moment of glory with our readers in up to 600 words. Exaggerate if you must, name names if you wish, be descriptive (brownie points for injecting local flavor), and email it to Dennis Taylor at scribelaureate@gmail.com. And if you’ve got a perfect photo to fit the story, we’d also love to see that.

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PHOTOS/COURTESY MARTIN BEAULIEU

As a 6-foot-6 basketball star at Colby College, Eric Beaulieu (left) would often get revenge on his 6-5 dad, Martin, beating him 10-8 in a one-on-one game after spotting him an 8-0 lead. It was sweet revenge from his younger days when Eric (above left) and younger brother Jay (middle) would struggle against their father (right) in 2-on-1 contests.



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Chorus founder unveils debut solo record online ... with a little help

THE FOUNDER and leader of **Wholehearted Community Chorus** — a singing group based in Monterey and Big Sur with 150 members — singer-songwriter **Lisa G. Littlebird** unveiled her debut album last Saturday at a Virtual Listening Pajama Party.

The singer-songwriter, of course, had to livestream the event due Gov. Gavin Newsom's stay-at-home order, which is intended to slow the spread of coronavirus.

With a couple hundred friends, family and strangers tuning in online from near and far, Littlebird played the record, which is titled, "Nightsong."

"It's time to make yourself a cozy nest, light some candles, put on your jammies, turn up your best speakers or headphones and turn down the lights," the singer-songwriter announced just before the event began.

Perfect timing

While the middle of a pandemic might not seem like the best time to release an album, Littlebird suggested it couldn't be more appropriate.

"I feel like this is the perfect timing," she explained. "It's an album of lullabies for adults that's designed to soothe the nervous system and take us down a notch — it's extremely relevant today."

Over the past five years, while she has kept busy leading the chorus and traveling around the country and the world doing

On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

singing workshops, Littlebird has slowly been recording the album with an array of musical talent.

"It's largely a collaborative effort with some exceptionally talented friends," she told The Pine Cone.

The supporting cast on the album includes guitarist **Zan Moore**, multi-instrumentalist **David Bergeaud**, charango player **Puka**, violinist **Edward Huizinga** and singers **Lindsey Wise** and **Pearl Bryan**.

Littlebird said Bergeaud, who also produced the record, added much to it through his instrumental versatility.

"David plays more than 40 different instruments, and he's a master at 12 of them," she said. "He played 10 of those on this album."

The singer-songwriter was astounded by how the supporting musicians transformed her music. She described the sound as "pretty rich" and "almost symphonic."

The songs are a mix of compositions by Littlebird and others.

Three are sung in Spanish, and one is sung in Yoruba, a language that's commonly spoken in Nigeria.

A longtime Big Sur resident who has taught singing workshops at Esalen Institute since 2006,

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Lisa Littlebird, founder and leader of the Wholehearted Community Chorus, recently released her debut album, "Nightsong."

DESPITE SHUTDOWN, WORK GOES ON FOR TOWN'S NEWEST GALLERY OWNER

LIKE EVERY other gallery in town, Carmel's newest art venue has closed its doors until the coronavirus crisis passes. But thanks to the internet, the **Erin Hanson Gallery** is still finding clients. The gallery opened in November on San Carlos between Fifth and Sixth.

"Erin is still painting, and we are still

extensively around the country's Four Corners region, and besides hiking and climbing rocks there, she has used her brushes and paints to capture the beauty of the red rock landscape.

As a painter, Hanson embraces an original style she calls open impressionism. The colors she uses are as vibrant as any you could find in the Utah desert.

"The thick brushstrokes are left to exist as they are placed, which preserves every tiny ridge in the paint left by the brush," the painter explained. "The purpose of open impressionism is to capture the true feeling of being outdoors, with each painting more of an emotional work than a photographic representation."

Comfort for trying times

Hanson believes that people need art now more than ever, which could partly explain why she's so busy.

"I think people are reaching out for beauty and aesthetics for comfort during these times," she said. "Paintings are sell-

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Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

selling," gallery director **Miranda Register** told The Pine Cone. "We're getting sales through our website, and through our outreach by email and phone. We're feeling very lucky that we are still so busy — we closed in March like everyone else, but we're truckin' along."

The gallery — which exclusively carries Hanson's paintings — is one of two the artist owns. She lives in San Diego, where she opened another gallery in 2017.

Although Hanson graduated from UC Berkeley with a bioengineering degree, her love of art and the outdoors led her to become a full-time artist. She has rambled



San Diego painter Erin Hanson opened a gallery in November on San Carlos between Fifth and Sixth. Six months later, she's keeping busy, despite the coronavirus shutdown.

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Stationery restaurant owners Anthony and Alissa Carnazzo decided to donate a meal a day to someone in need, with customers nominating worthy recipients of their good food and largess. "We've opened the request up to our guests to nominate people for these meals," Alissa said. "We've also offered the opportunity to donate to the cause and expand our ability to reach more people." So far, two dozen customers have contributed \$3,700, and the restaurant has provided 41 meals. The Carnazzos are looking for more people who will benefit. For information and to nominate, go to thestationery.com. The restaurant on San Carlos north of Sixth is open Wednesday through Sunday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. for food to go.

Pizza and teriyaki

Allegro Pizzeria will donate a 16-inch pizza to a local hospital or clinic every

time a customer does the same. Go to allegropizzeria.com or call (831) 626-5454.

Chris Shake and Sabu Shake Jr. have pledged to feed all their employees during the coronavirus shutdown. The owners of Old Fisherman's Grotto, Scales and the Fish Hopper are selling food to go and are also providing a hot meal and bottled water, all to go as well, to employees and their families — more than 500 people. "We are doing it to keep our employees who want to work and offering 25 percent off to-go and home delivery for our loyal customers who still want to enjoy the food from our restaurants," Chris Shake said. "We believe we are doing a lot of good being able to be open on this basis." Go to oldfishermansgrotto.com or scalesmonterey.com.

Teriyaki Madness at the Dunes shopping center in Marina launched a pay-it-forward campaign so customers can send meals to healthcare workers at Community Hospital, with the restaurant matching every \$75 contribution to send "giant, hot and healthy teriyaki bowls for up to 10 people." Visit teriyakimadness.com.

Highlands wines

To ensure everyone has as much as they need during the shutdown, many local wineries are offering deep discounts on their wines and shipping rates, as well as curbside pickup and delivery. To find out what's available while sheltering, go to santalucia-highlands.com/event/happy-hour-at-home.

P.G. Bottle Shop delivery

Pacific Grove Bottle Shop on Forest Av-

enue is using the Drizly app to help people order and receive beer, wine, spirits and other products without having to interact with another person. The app is available for Apple and Android devices and allows users, based on their location, to order alcohol from a selection of nearby shops for delivery within 60 minutes. The P.G. Bottle Shop is open from 8 a.m. daily. Call (831) 372-6091 with questions.

Pasadera cares for own

Chef Colin Moody and management at Pasadera are ensuring the club's members and everyone living in the housing development off Highway 68 has access to freshly cooked meals.

"We opened up our takeout food service for the entire development, so even if you are not a member of the club, you can take advantage of pickup or free delivery Tuesday through Sunday, and this has been met with tremendous reception," said Chris Laver, one of the partners in the club.

Moody said the service started with a bang, and now he and the kitchen staff are preparing and distributing several hundred meals almost daily. Each night has a different set menu. Taco Tuesday is popular, of course, as is Prime Rib Night, and the fried chicken always flies off the shelves.

"It's been super well received," Moody said. The club also set up a pantry so customers can pick up a dozen eggs, a case of water, and even toilet paper.

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ing before they are even dry on the rack.”

In addition to selling paintings online, the gallery continues to use the internet to stay in touch with old clients and meet new ones.

“It’s been a really good time to focus on our relationships with new and old collectors through outreach and social media,” Register said.

“We have a huge social media presence, and we’ve raised it since the gallery closed. We have also put more of an emphasis on bringing light and inspiration to those who are stuck at home. We post every day on Instagram,

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he said.

The arrangement ensures members and residents, especially those who are vulnerable, can minimize contact while getting whatever they need, and as many Pasadera employees as possible can continue working.

■ MPC farmers market relocates

The Friday farmers market that’s usually at MPC now operates in the parking lot at Del Monte Center near Chipotle and Starbucks, and is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., with an extra hour at the start in order to accommodate everyone safely. The market will be located there until further notice.

Due to health regulations, the market will feature only farmers, with no other vendors or activities allowed. Numerous safety measures, including hand sanitizer and washing stations, marks on the pavement ensuring social distancing, and pre-bagged produce are being implemented. Learn more at montereybayfarmers.org.

■ Crema curbside pickup

Crema at 481 Lighthouse Ave. in Pacific Grove is taking to-go brunch orders Thursday through Sunday from 7 a.m. to noon, including mimosas, cocktails and espresso drinks, and items like biscuits and gravy, fried chicken, Quiche Lorraine and waffles. Go to cremapg.com.

Facebook and Twitter.”

For more about the artist and her gallery, visit erinhan-son.com or call (831) 574-1782.

■ ‘We’re still here for you’

While its doors are closed as a precaution against the spread of coronavirus, the Monterey Museum of Art remains open on your cell phone, tablet and computer screen.

Just this week, the museum shared its first online exhibit and launched a video channel at Vimeo.

“We’re still here for you and we hope that you will still be there for us,” said **Stuart Chase**, the museum’s executive director. “It truly takes a village to keep the creative economy alive, so please follow us on social media, read our blog, and be generous however you can. Like so many

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Littlebird is hopeful the record will help calm listeners and make them feel less fearful in trying times.

“I really endeavor to live life by choosing love over fear,” the singer-songwriter added.

To hear and download the album, visit lisaglittlebird.bandcamp.com. For more about Littlebird, visit thebirdsongs.com.

others, we are a small business and rely on the support of our community to stay alive during this trying time.”

■ Museum puts first show online

Now live on Vimeo is a group “alumni” show of Monterey Peninsula College artists. The show has been displayed in the museum since January.

All of the show’s participants were at MPC during the tenure of longtime art teacher **Robynn Smith**, who retired two years ago. Included are pieces by two dozen artists, including Smith, **Melissa Pickford**, **Denese Sanders**, **Tim Craighead**, **Paul Roehl** and **Don Fritz**.

To see the exhibit, visit montereyart.org. From the menu at the top of the home page, select “Art” and scroll down to select “Current Exhibitions.” From there, you can watch a 21-minute narrated video which will walk you through the show.

The Vimeo channel, meanwhile, will provides a site where the museum plans to upload educational content. “We’re trying to find engaging ways to bring our collection and exhibits to the community digitally,” museum spokesperson **Allyson Hitte** said. “We’re focused on getting things out on social media in real time.”

For more details, visit montereyart.org.



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Thank you all for taking this new normal so seriously and helping us to “flatten the curve”. We are extremely grateful to all those who are working so hard to help us stay safe and healthy.

We are so fortunate to live in this beautiful area and wish everyone a Happy Easter!

—The Board of the Carmel Woman’s Club

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Editorial

All in it together?

RIGHT BEHIND “flatten the curve,” one of the most common things said in the public arena these days about the coronavirus epidemic is that “we’re all in this together.”

Pardon us, but that’s not even close to being true.

And we’re not just talking about the risk of becoming infected. As data starting to emerge clearly show, some groups in this country are at far greater risk from the virus than others. But an equally big divide is the one between those who have lost their jobs and businesses and those who, except for sheltering in place, are living today just like they did six weeks ago — with no worries about putting food on the table or paying the mortgage.

As a poll we conducted of subscribers this week amply demonstrates, even here in the wealthy Monterey Peninsula a great many people have seen their income go down “a lot” because of the virus, or have even seen it disappear.

Usually, when someone says, “We’re all in this together,” it’s a government bureaucrat, a politician, or a media type who’s still getting a steady paycheck.

We are not “all in this together.” Some people are suffering a great deal more than others, not only health-wise, but in their wallets.

What Sanders said

IT’S DIFFICULT to find any reference to it in the news, but the most important part of Bernie Sanders’ statement when he dropped out of the presidential race yesterday wasn’t the part where he explained why he’s ending his candidacy, or even when he promised to help Joe Biden beat Donald Trump. That stuff was all everyday politics.

The most important part was when he exhorted his followers to stay true to the goals of his campaign. But what were these goals?

In the old days, when the left had a list of demands, they were usually of the “take care of your fellow man” sort. But Sanders didn’t even pretend that his followers were supposed to be selfless advocates for the poor and downtrodden. Instead, he said his movement was about gaining the things “we are entitled to.” Things like free healthcare, decent wages and working conditions, “all the education we require to fulfill our dreams,” and the right to live in a world of “justice, democracy and fairness” that’s free of “racism, sexism, homophobia, xenophobia and religious bigotry.” Oh, and “a minimum wage of at least \$15 an hour.”

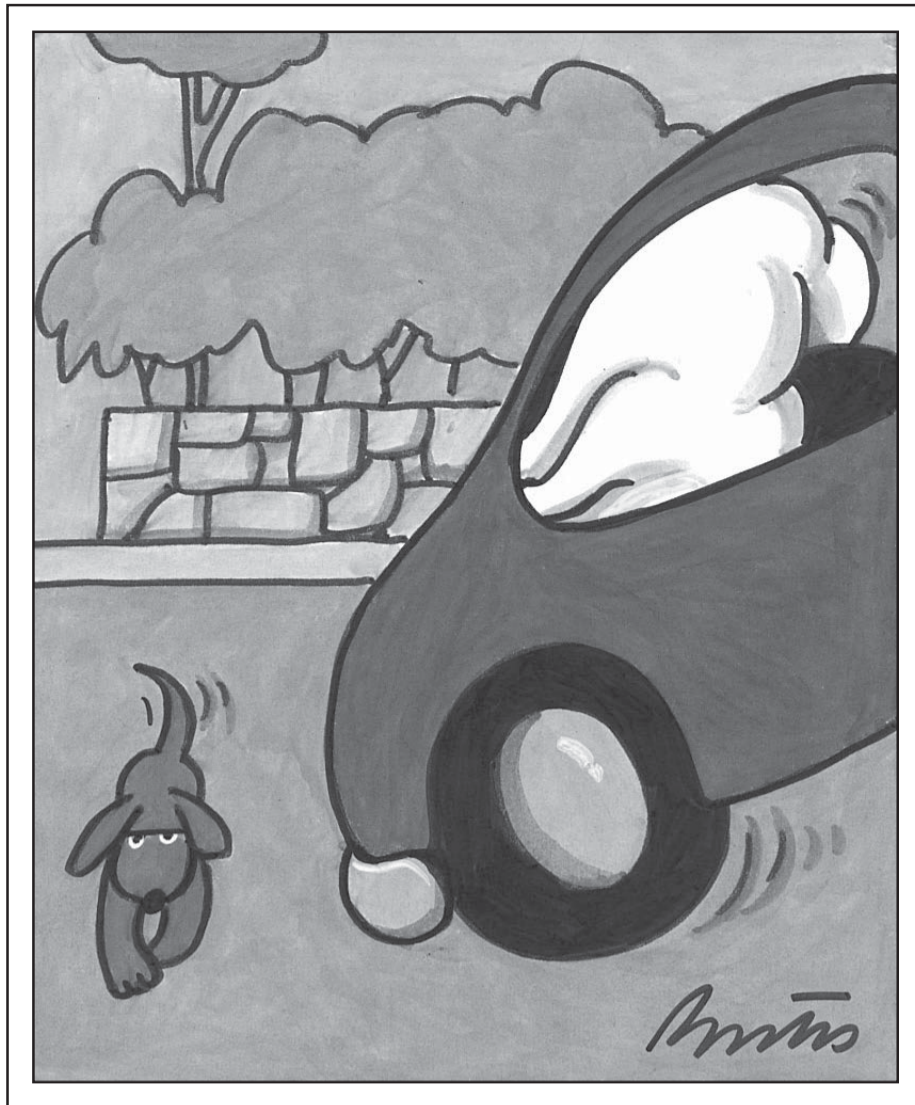
But we have a question: If everyone is entitled to those things, who’s supposed to provide them?

Even Marxists understood that hard work was the most important ingredient a society needed if it was going to comfort and fulfill the lives of its citizens. Their fundamental complaint was that capitalism exploited the labor of its working class to line the pockets of the rich, but they still knew everyone had to work — that is, if there were to be roofs over their heads, clothes on their backs and food on their tables, not to mention a school and a hospital down the street. The Soviet constitution put this principle very succinctly: “He who does not work shall not eat.”

But as soon as you have to work to obtain healthcare, it’s no longer an entitlement, right? And where will schools come from if everybody’s entitled to free education? Somebody’s gotta be the teacher, and teachers usually want to be paid. It costs money to build schools, too — last time we checked. And whoever provides the money to pay the teachers and build the schools, not to mention supply the computers and pay the heating bill, can hardly be said to be getting free education for himself and his children.

Sanders has often been accused of being a communist, but mass entitlements aren’t a political goal Lenin would have recognized. The left of 21st century America is a new invention — a movement that depends on capitalism and the hard work of others to create huge amounts of wealth which can then be distributed to a whole lot of people who don’t think they should have to contribute. And why should they if they’re “entitled”?

BEST of BATES



Letters to the Editor

Virus can't 'run its course'

Dear Editor,

We read with concern the letter written by Dr. Fox in the April 3 edition of The Pine Cone. He offers the opinion that the COVID-19 epidemic “will just have to run its course,” and that young people “should just go on about their business.” We disagree.

Medically, it is clear that pursuing “business as usual” will lead to continued exponential growth of cases and deaths and an overwhelmed medical system. Under such a scenario, medical assistance will be unavailable to many who might otherwise survive COVID-19 or other major medical issues. Further, while Dr. Fox correctly points out that younger people are less susceptible to COVID-19, they are not immune. A straightforward review of data from the CDC shows that in the US, about 20 percent of hospitalized COVID-19 patients are younger people (20-44 years) and an additional 20 percent or so are in the range of 45-55 years. In the latter group, 5 to 10 percent required ICU admission.

During the last great pandemic (1918 influenza), many cities in the United States used forms of social distancing to reduce the spread of the virus. A study by MIT shows that the cities that enacted and maintained such policies longer tended to bounce back faster and did significantly better economically in the subsequent decades.

Ethically, we cannot place the burden of this crisis on the elderly, ill and poor. We all need to take this seriously — and do so as a community.

Social distancing will buy us some time for expanded testing and data collection, increased production and distribution of relevant medical supplies, treatment trials, and eventually a vaccine. The lessons we learn from this pandemic will better prepare us the next time we face a major public health crisis. If there is any logical reason to ignore the lessons of basic epidemiology and infection control, then we are not aware of it.

Matthew Goeckner, Tina Wald, M.D.,
(C.H.S. Class of 1978), Dallas, Texas

Masks available

Dear Editor,

Many of the Chinese students who attend Stevenson School live in China. I write as one of several who live locally. In consultation with local public health authorities, all of Stevenson’s Chinese parents have initiated a plan to support Monterey County during the pandemic as a way to express our gratitude to the community that has always welcomed our children.

On Tuesday we began to distribute more than 43,000 masks — including face masks, surgical masks, and N95/KN95s — to the Monterey Department of Health, Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, the Seaside Family Health Center, the Monterey Emergency Operations Center, the Salinas Police Department, post offices, Meals on Wheels, and most of all, to essential service providers and the public. (For details of distribution points, go to <https://bit.ly/3b3RYzG>.)

Stevenson has encouraged its students, families and alumni to demonstrate energy, optimism, and a commitment to serve in the face of COVID-19. We can’t think of a better way to do our part in a community that we are privileged to call one of our homes in the world.

Emily Yang Bauer,
Pebble Beach

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The Peninsula has been here before, more than a century ago

AT A time when we are dealing with a sudden pandemic, it may be helpful to reflect on the history of an earlier, even worse, one — and how the challenges were met then. The last major pandemic to hit the United States was the Spanish flu, which came in three waves from 1918 to 1919. This was a time when Carmel was young and growing.

It was also during the peak involvement of United States forces in World War I,

vealed it had its first 650 cases, with San Francisco having recorded its first death from the Spanish flu on Sept. 22. California's numbers grew quickly. On Oct. 19, there were 25,000 cases in the state. Five days later, the number was 50,000.

The Monterey Peninsula was not as bad. Many attributed this to its ideal climate. By mid-October, the City of Monterey was reporting, "There are a number of cases here, but the disease has not appeared to any alarming extent." Nevertheless, Theresa McBain, Monterey's school nurse and deputy medical director, asked that children under the age of 14 stay away from theaters and other gathering

places. Pacific Grove also reported only a few cases but took the threat seriously, and on Oct. 18 "all churches, Sunday schools, theaters, dance halls, bath houses, lodges and all other public gatherings" were closed by that city's board of health. A week later, Monterey closed its "saloons, pool rooms, card rooms clubs and lodges." As a further precaution, Monterey also closed the city's schools "until the Spanish influenza has been practically eradicated."

Carmel closed Sunset School in early October as a precaution. Meetings, concerts and play rehearsals were canceled. Mary Hand chaired the Spanish Flu Emergency committee of the Carmel Red Cross, and W. T. Kibbler, the city's health officer, formed a committee of nine that included Pine Cone publisher W. L. Overstreet and commercial landowners Mary Dummage

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History Beat

By **NEAL HOTELLING**

which was a factor in its spread. All of Europe, including everyone fighting the war, was affected by the first wave in early 1918. To avoid giving away any information that might help the other side, the countries directly involved in the war didn't say much about their losses from the flu. Spain was more forthcoming about its epidemic, which explains how it got its name.

Unknown origin

There is still no consensus as to where the Spanish flu began, but in less than two years, it infected an estimated 500,000,000 people worldwide, with death estimates of at least 50 million, including 675,000 in the United States (among a population of about 100 million). Children and young adults were especially hard hit.

Although there was a severe outbreak at an Army base in Kansas in the spring of 1918, the first wave went mostly unnoticed by Americans. But when the second wave came in September 1918, nearly 1,000 cases were identified in Boston. Despite this, when several personnel at the Navy's radio school outside of Boston became ill, officials initially denied that it was the Spanish flu.

Military bases were severely affected. By mid-September, the Great Lakes naval base in Chicago had 1,500 cases and was put on quarantine, essentially locking down 50,000 people in place. On Sept. 24, Camp Dix in New Jersey announced it had 34 dead and 1,800 soldiers in the hospital, including 150 with pneumonia. On Sept. 26, U.S. Surgeon General Rupert Blue announced the influenza had reached 26 states and the military had 29,000 active cases. By the end of September, Massachusetts was reporting 85,000 cases with the death toll rising daily. On Oct. 10, U.S. military bases reported 200,000 cases.

On Oct. 9, California re-



These guidelines issued by the California Board of Health in 1918 include advice we're still being offered today, such as avoiding crowds. But "keep your bowels open" is missing from the current coronavirus protocols.

He's seen bad times before but wasn't expecting these to be worse

IN 23 years as a businessman in Carmel-by-the-Sea, Jim Rieser has ridden the wild surf of a capricious economy, watching fellow gallery owners come and go.

His survival strategy through difficult times — the dot-com bubble burst of 2000, the 9/11 attack that shut down tourism, and the financial collapse of 2008 — was mostly about optimism and perseverance.

"I like to be a positive person. My motto, basically, is 'Prepare for the worst, hope

believes Rieser, who recently sent a newsletter to his clientele pitching multiple innovative promotions. The online offers are designed to creatively generate sales, give back to the community, encourage engagement, and help the 10 living artists he represents in addition to his primary business of selling historical paintings.

Among the most intriguing market ideas is his "Dutch auction," a calculated risk that has him excited and anxious in equal measures.

Visitors to rieserfineart.com will find a 1940s-vintage early California painting entitled "Carmel-by-the-Sea, Calif.," by Carl Sammons (1886-1968). The

Carmel's Artists

By **DENNIS TAYLOR**

for the best, and take what comes," said Rieser, who opened James J. Rieser Fine Art in 1997 on Dolores Street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, in Su Vecino Court.

What do you do?

But the 65-year-old Rieser conceded he's never seen anything like the current COVID-19 pandemic. What do you do, he asked, when you're in a business that relies on tourism, and tourism has stopped for the foreseeable future?

"Even if they miraculously reopened all of the businesses tomorrow, do you really think people — especially older people — will want to jump on an airplane and travel anywhere that they don't have to? I don't," he said. "I think Carmel is in for a long recession, until confidence comes back. And who knows what it's going to take for that to happen?"

The hope lies mostly with internet sales,

list price is \$1,750, but it's on sale throughout the month with a tantalizing twist.

"We're lowering the price of the painting by \$50 every day in April, until somebody says, 'OK, I'll buy it at that price,'" said Rieser, who, when this week began, had reduced the cost to \$1,450. "It's basically a reverse auction. Instead of bidders raising the price with each bid, the first bid is the winning bid."

The promotion is essentially a marketing experiment, Rieser said. If the painting (in a Mayen-Olson gold-leaf frame, by the way) is still there at the end of the month, he'll be selling it below his cost.

"I'd wind up taking a big hit, but I want to see whether there's somebody out there who's willing to buy it using that kind of promotion," he said.

A second campaign is designed to give back to the local community: Several of his artists are donating small, unframed paintings, and the gallery is selling them at half off. The gallery will donate 100 percent of the sale (after sales tax and shipping costs) to a charity of the artist's choice — either the Food Bank for Monterey County or Second Harvest Food Bank of Santa Cruz County.

Random drawing

To encourage people to read his monthly newsletter, Rieser plans to give away Patrick Woodman's original oil painting "Carmel Valley Morning Light," priced at \$5,500. Anyone who goes to his website, adds their name to his email list, and reads his April newsletter, is automatically entered in the random drawing on April 30.

And finally, to help his 10 living artists survive the crisis, he's offering half of the gallery's commission as a discount to anyone who purchases one of their paintings in April.

The shelter-in-place orders that shut down tourism, eliminated foot traffic, and

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PHOTO/JAMES RIESER FINE ART

Jim Rieser is using innovative online promotions to try to mitigate the financial impact of the pandemic on his Carmel gallery, James Rieser Fine Art.

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BALLOTS

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be decided by Gov. Gavin Newsom via executive order and a resolution by the Monterey County Board of Supervisors.

It's too early to know what the pandemic will look like on Nov. 3, election day, but John Laird, candidate for California State Senate, District 17, also said a decision should be made soon.

"If we are to have voting alternatives in place for the election, the decision must be made in the near future," Laird told The Pine Cone. "I believe that we should offer a mail-in voting option to all Californians and maintain in-person voting and voter assistance if public health allows."

Laird's republican challenger, Vicki Nohrden, said mail-in ballots should be considered with caution.

"It is vital that we protect the integrity of our elections and that means offering solutions to voter fraud and ballot harvesting that mar vote-by-mail contests,"

Nohrden said Tuesday. "Nothing should be off the table, and I look forward to seeing how we can continue to encourage voter participation and overcome the challenges of this pandemic."

As for how much it would cost taxpayers to print and mail extra ballots, Valenzuela said "my best guess now is what we potentially could save on establishing polling places, training poll workers, precinct supplies, etc., we would spend on additional printing and mailing of ballots."

However, most local voters don't vote at polling places.

In the March primary election, 80 percent of voters were either registered to vote by mail or lived in an area of the county that was all-mail. The county has about 195,000 registered voters.

While top Democrats have encouraged mail-in ballots, including Pelosi, some Republicans have publicly opposed the idea, including President Donald Trump, who has said it would open the voting process to fraud, and that anyone who advocates all-mail voting does so because they "intend to cheat."

CHS class 'bombed' with video

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

ABOUT A dozen Carmel High School students and their teacher participating in an online class using the Zoom conferencing program Monday got quite a shock when a video of "highly inappropriate" material flashed on the screen before it was turned off, the school principal said.

Carmel High principal Jon Lyons told parents in an email Monday evening that earlier in the day the class was "bombed" with the video, the nature of which Lyons did not disclose.

"The Zoom meeting, which was attended by about a dozen students, was shut down immediately," Lyons said in his email message. "The parents of the class that was

affected have been notified of the incident. We are now investigating to determine who is responsible."

Lyons apologized for the incident and said the school is taking steps to stop it from happening again.

For instance, he said Carmel High School is instructing teachers to use the district's Zoom account when using the program, because that account is "configured with tight security settings to prevent occurrences like this in the future, which will protect staff and students from a similar experience."

CHS will also now require students to log into Zoom using their school district-issued usernames to prevent online classes or meetings from being compromised.

PROJECTS

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Forest Theater was pushed off a year, as were the design work for the renovation of Scout House and one of three IT projects.

But the majority argued for spending \$25,000 to study how much it would cost to underground utilities in the city — largely believed to be a very expensive process that would require property owners to cover part of the cost — with the exception of Richards, who said he couldn't support spending any money on undergrounding right now.

And while the majority decided to cut \$30,000 to spend on "technical support" for the climate change committee, they said they plan on asking for \$50,000 for that cause when they discuss the projects list again next month.

As a result, little was actually removed from the list during the first go-round, and Rerig said after the meeting he plans to advise a more brutal hand when it comes to capital projects as budget discussions progress.

"When we return with additional budget data in May, my hope is that we'll all be using a cleaver rather than a surgical tool to eliminate projects," Rerig said.

FOOD

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While the handouts are intended for seniors, anyone in need can drive through, and people who are getting food for their older friends or family are welcome.

The food bank delivers bags of nonperishable staples, along with fresh produce, and the helpers — the dealership's employees, and lately, members of the National Guard — load the food into the cars.

Brassard encouraged anyone who wants to help to donate to the food bank at foodbankformontereycounty.org.

TROUT

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"We may not be using as much water as we typically do," he suggested. "The river may not dry up as quickly because there's less demand on the system."

It's simply too early to determine if steelhead rescues can be done this spring or early summer, Christiansen said.

"We're going to know a lot more in the next month," he added. "We need to take this one day at a time."

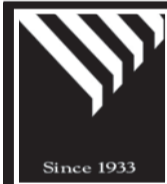
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COPING

From page 6A

Tierra has seen everything. The longtime Carmel Foundation member remembers the Depression, but, he said, “I don’t think I ever realized we were poor. When I was 5, for Christmas I got a toothbrush and a tube of toothpaste.”

Still, the retired executive said he hasn’t experienced anything quite like this pandemic. “I haven’t been out of the house for three weeks except to drive my car around the block,” he noted. He’d made a big grocery run right before the shelter-in-place order. “It was just luck,” he said.

Hilts gets around OK with a cane, and his daughter, who has some health problems, lives with him. Regular caregivers come in, too, sanitizing everything they

touch. Hilts spends a lot of time reading but looks forward to when he can “go have coffee with the guys” again.

Alone with cats

Peter Thorp of Carmel Woods is “sheltering alone with three cats.” The closest he said he’s come to this experience was when he lived in Manitoba, Canada, and the temperature dropped to 40 below zero, sometimes for a week.

The retired engineer was busy fixing the wind-speed he keeps on from his roof. At 78, he usually has no trouble staying occupied. He’s the president of The Carmel Music Society and stage manager for Youth Music Monterey.

Those jobs mostly require doing paperwork for now, though.

Thorp said he bought a new car in February, but it doesn’t have a CD player, so he’s also using this time to transfer tunes

from his collection of discs to MP3 files. Scientific American magazine and technical publications keep him occupied as well.

At 64, comedian and teacher Carol Roberts is a relative youngster. As you might imagine, she has a way of bringing laughter to serious situations. She teaches an improvisational comedy class at The Carmel Foundation, and to the delight of her students, she’s keeping it going online, using the Zoom meeting service.

It works better than you might think, and class members love the opportunity to interact and lighten their moods.

As for Roberts’ “new normal,” she said, “My husband likes to stay at home, so we

have been practicing for this moment for over 30 years.”

She added that she’s been keeping a diary. It includes an entry where she’s concerned about owing royalties to whomever owns the “Happy Birthday” copyright, because she keeps singing it while she washes her hands.

Her shopping lists are now organized by store aisle, and trips to stores near her Marina home are every two weeks instead of every three days — and qualify as “entertainment.”

“I’m not taking advantage of those senior hours, though. It’s too damned early,” she said.

FLU

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and Robert Leidig. Amazingly, Carmel came through the pandemic with no cases. An article in the Jan. 23, 1919, Pine Cone suggested, “Our immunity from a severe visitation might be attributed to the presence of the Monterey pine tree in abundance. We are constantly inhaling the healthy pitchy air, which guards our lungs and throats.” It recommended “frequent rambles in the forest and green pine branches in the home.”

This seeming immunity was all the more amazing given the growth in the state and other local communities. By the end of October, Pacific Grove and Monterey were requiring masks — at least four thicknesses of cheesecloth — worn over both the nose and mouth.

Monterey also required children to stay at home so as not to risk spreading the virus. As of Nov. 1, California had 67,350 cases, with Monterey reporting 169 cases.

Local officials stressed the importance of the masks, noting that Santa Cruz, three times the size of Monterey, had been requiring masks and had just 215 cases. Chico, smaller than Monterey, did not require masks and had 799 cases and 26 deaths.

While dreadful at the beginning of the month, by Nov. 21, new cases throughout the state had diminished, and schools were reopened throughout the Peninsula. On Nov. 28, Del Monte Hotel reopened its bathhouse and celebrated with a grand ball, stipulating however that “dancers must wear masks over the nose and mouth, or the music will be stopped.”

The celebration was too soon. The third wave hit in December, likely spurred on by troops returning from Europe following the Nov. 11 armistice. On Dec. 3, Pacific Grove had 30 cases, and reinstated closures and again required masks. Monterey announced a \$5 fine for anyone not wearing a mask anywhere in public. The flu brought more local deaths in December. By late January, 1919 things were improving, and on Feb. 1, 1919, there were no cases anywhere on the Peninsula. After a difficult four months here, the pandemic was over.

By now, it seems likely the the coronavirus will cause much less damage than the Spanish flu did; still, there are similarities. Even homemade masks are said to help, social distancing is required, and while nobody’s claiming that fresh, “pitchy” air is a cure, it’s still a good idea to take a walk.

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RIESER

From page 25A

closed nonessential businesses in California are expected to devastate the economy. Rieser speculates that one-third of the businesses in Carmel might not survive.

“I think there are around 75 galleries here, and none of us will have the numbers this year that we thought we’d have,” he said. “My best guess is that we’re going to be severely challenged in Carmel through the end of this year.”

Lessons learned

The irony, he said, is that sales at his gallery during the first quarter of 2020 were the best in six years — success he attributes to ramped-up advertising in the months that preceded the pandemic.

“The goal was to get people to come into the gallery, and I was beginning to see results,” he said. “It was starting to pay dividends for me in sales in January, February and March. But now, we have to adapt to the sudden loss of gallery visits.”

Rieser’s experience through other economic downturns has taught him to make few assumptions, he said.

“What I found fascinating after the dot-com bubble burst in 2000, and after 9/11, and after the financial crisis in 2008, was that my business didn’t slow immediately. People were still buying art,” he said.

“In 2010, I thought I had skated through the worst of it, and even signed a two-year lease on a second gallery,” Rieser remembered. Shortly after, business slowed dra-

matically, a condition that dragged into mid-2012. “I won’t make that mistake again.”

Some gallery owners, including Rieser, are receiving temporary discounts on their monthly rents, breaks that could help save their businesses. Others, not as fortunate, have lost their spaces.

Meanwhile, Rieser’s ongoing plan is a continued emphasis on internet marketing that might help him “kick the can down the road,” until the gallery reopens and the current crisis subsides.

“Carmel is one of the most beautiful places on earth. People will always want to visit and live here, and fine art is one of the major attractions,” he said. “Carmel always comes back.”

Dennis Taylor is a freelance writer in Monterey County. Contact him at scribelaureate@gmail.com.

GAVEL

From page 4A

nal Street gang members.

Also, on Dec. 17, 2017, while in custody at the Monterey County Jail, pending this murder charge, Ramirez along with three other active Norteño criminal street gang members participated in a violent attack of another Norteño criminal street gang member. These types of gang-related attacks are called “removals,” since the purpose of the assault is to remove certain members from within the gang. Ramirez previously pled guilty to this charge and a four-year sentence was imposed with the murder sentence.

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■ This week's cover property, located in Corral de Tierra, is presented by Elizabeth Dini of Carmel Realty Company (See Page 2RE)



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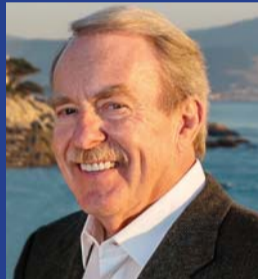
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BY AL SMITH

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Our hearts go out to all of those who have been affected by this pandemic.

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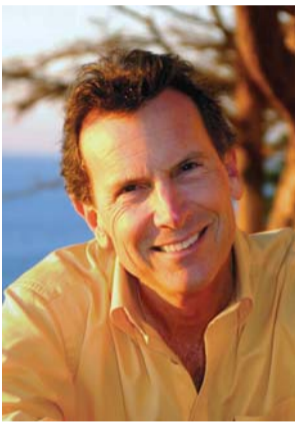
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Contemplating viruses, tyranny, constitutional rights and Easter Sunday

THE VIDEO went viral. County life-guards patrolling the shore in boats chased down a lone man paddleboarding off the beach in Malibu. The video clearly showed he was not wearing a mask and was not wearing an N-95 wet suit. The poor guy

was probably innocently searching for Davey Crockett's locker of toilet paper.

The scene reminded me of killer whales herding a lone seal towards dinnertime. The paddleboarder was arrested and handcuffed by Los Angeles County sheriff's

deputies who did not practice social distancing while escorting him off the beach. He faces six months in jail and/or a thousand dollar fine for violating the governor's stay at home policy.

In other news, the same Los Angeles deputies are releasing thousands of inmates from jail so they don't get the coronavirus. And L.A. Mayor Eric Garcetti is asking residents to report stay-at-home violators — and promising to reward them. Garcetti said, "You know the old expression about snitches? Well, in this case, snitches get rewards."

I looked closely at the video of the paddleboarder and the boats but could not determine if there were swastikas painted on the sides. New York City is using drones with speakers to remind people out for walks in Central Park to "maintain a social distance of at least six feet." I wonder if the drones are armed.

The deadliest flu

The breakdown of common sense in this time of the pandemic has reached levels previously unimagined even among swamp politicians. It almost leads me to question whether democracy can survive in a crisis, but I know it can since I lived through World War II, and the nation survived the Spanish flu pandemic of 1918 while involved in a world war at the same time.

Here are facts I didn't know about the Spanish flu. It lasted for more than two years, ending in 1920. It killed 675,000 Americans and between 50 and a 100 million people worldwide. It was particularly virulent in people 15 to 34 years of age. It killed more U.S. soldiers than died in combat in World War I. It came in three waves, the second wave being the most deadly. Businesses and schools were closed as they are today. The celebrations at the end of the

war were a major factor in its spread.

Like the paddleboarder, we seem to be adrift. Jails are open. Churches are closed. Patrol boats, drones, and the GPS element in our smart phones are big-brothering us back to 1984. Totalitarianism rises in a crisis. Governments get eager to start issuing orders rather than relying on citizens to behave rationally.

Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVAISE

"Congress shall make no law abridging the right of the people peaceably to assemble" is spelled out in the First Amendment of the Constitution. Freedom of peaceful assembly is the right of people to come together and collectively express their ideas. The ACLU used to care about our civil liberties. Today the ACLU's position on the coronavirus is, "Individual rights must sometimes give way to the greater good. After all, when it comes to disease, we are not just individuals but also one big biomass. A disease cares little for our notions of individualism."

The economy and liberty

The government is following the advice of medical experts, but the medical perspective is not the only one. There are other societal components that need to be considered such as the economy and personal liberty. A letter to the editor in the Pine Cone last week expressed how the economy and liberty are affected. The writer stated that the coronavirus can't run its course until enough people have had the virus and developed "herd immunity," which means there would be fewer susceptible to keep the epidemic going. The writer went on

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820 Casanova Avenue unit 3A – \$355,000

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APN: 013-253-050

820 Casanova Avenue unit 22 – \$394,500

Alexandra Collard to Jacqueline Koviak



1504 Bonifacio Road, Pebble Beach – \$10,894,500

APN: 013-253-036

1561 Withers Avenue – \$639,000

Peter Silzer to Jocelyn Curran
APN: 001-176-028

584 Munras Avenue – \$1,550,000

Becky Lo to Santa Cruz County Bank
APN: 001-581-015

Pacific Grove

520 18th Street – \$756,000

Leila Emadin to Daniel and Gemma Peterson
APN: 006-477-007

33 Country Club Gate – \$800,000

Diane Wilson Trust and Liza Horvath to
John Brennan
APN: 007-673-027

310 11th Street – \$800,000

Nancy McCroskey to Tara and Katheryn James
APN: 006-276-004

1322 Lincoln Avenue – \$804,500

Joyce Morrison and Berry Trust to Giovanna Dainty
APN: 007-571-028

234 Bentley Street – \$905,000

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APN: 006-348-005

706 Forest Avenue – \$1,150,000

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Sweater Vests LLC
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232 Wood Street – \$1,345,000

David and Katherine Anderson to
Michael Seltzer and Carol Drainudel
APN: 006-324-003

1239 Surf Avenue – \$2,274,000

Claus and Joanna Bock to Stewart and
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PUBLIC NOTICES

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 20CV001013
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner, TIFFANY ANIN WIEMKEN, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name: TIFFANY ANIN WIEMKEN
Proposed name: TIFFANY ANIN SIERRA

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

NOTICE OF HEARING:
DATE: April 17, 2020
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
DEPT: 15

The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.
(s) Lydia M. Villarreal
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: March 11, 2020
Publication dates: March 20, 27, April 3, 10, 2020. (PC318)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20200574
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **SS CONSULTING SERVICES, 841 Bautista Drive, Apt. 5, Salinas, CA 93901.**
County of principal place of business: MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): SARAH SOTO, 831 Bautista Drive, Apt. 5, Salinas, CA 93901.
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 2, 2020.
S/Sarahi Soto
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes a public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 13, 2020.

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Business Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: March 20, 27, April 3, 10, 2020. (PC319)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20200550
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Equus Workforce Solutions, 730 La Guardia St., Salinas, CA 93905,** County of Monterey
Mailing address: 805 N. Whittington Parkway, Suite 400, Louisville, KY 40222
Registered Owner(s): Arbor E&T, LLC, 805 N. Whittington Parkway, Suite 400, Louisville, KY 40222; Kentucky
This business is conducted by a limited liability company
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A
S/Steven S. Reed Secretary
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 10, 2020
3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10/20
CNS-3352989# CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: March 20, 27, April 3, 10, 2020. (PC320)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20200579
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **PACIFIC LIVING CONCIERGE SERVICES, 440 Junipero Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.**
County of principal place of business: MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): LORRAINE MARIE SCHIMPF, 440 Junipero Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. MARLENE LEFMANN, 15280 Bohlman Rd., Saratoga, CA 95070.
This business is conducted by a general partnership.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

S/Lorraine Marie Schimpf
March 13, 2020

BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes a public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 13, 2020.

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Business Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: March 20, 27, April 3, 10, 2020. (PC321)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20200403
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **HOMES BY HENSON REAL ESTATE TEAM, 17760 Moro Rd., Ste. #G100, Salinas, CA 93907.**
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.
Name of Corporation of as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: THE CMH PROPERTY GROUP INC. 17760 Moro Rd., Ste. #G100, Salinas, CA 93907.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a corporation.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Feb. 20, 2020.
S/chantel Henson, CEO/President
Feb. 20, 2020
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Business Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: March 20, 27, April 3, 10, 2020. (PC322)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20200567
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Bridge Home Health, 6 Quail Run Circle, Suite 104, Salinas, CA 93907,** County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s): Bridge Home Health Central Coast LLC, 3636 Noble Drive, Suite 450, San Diego, CA 92122; CA
This business is conducted by a limited liability company
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A
S/ Joseph Montesorte, CFO
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 11, 2020
3/27, 4/3, 4/10, 4/17/20
CNS-3351901# CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: March 27, April 3, 10, 17, 2020. (PC323)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20200593
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **LAMPLIGHTER LLC, 255 E. Bolivar Street, Salinas, CA. 93906,** County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s): Millennium Housing Corporation, 611 Anton Blvd. Ste. #890, Costa Mesa, CA. 92626.
This business is conducted by a Corporation.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A
MILLENNIUM HOUSING CORPORATION
S/Lori Carraway, Vice-President
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 16, 2020
3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10/20
CNS-3352989# CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: March 27, April 3, 10, 17, 2020. (PC324)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 20CV001049
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner, ROLANDE KETCHAM VAUGHAM, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name: ROLANDE KETCHAM VAUGHAM
Proposed name: ROLANDE KETCHAM

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

NOTICE OF HEARING:
DATE: May 8, 2020
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
DEPT: 15

The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.
(s) Lydia M. Villarreal
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: March 13, 2020
Publication dates: March 27, April 3, 10, 17, 2020. (PC325)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20200615
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CARMEL WELLNESS AND AESTHETICS, 26135 Carmel Rancho Blvd., F-21, Carmel, CA 93923.**
Mailing address: 1840 41st Ave., Suite 102-325, Capitola, CA 95010.
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.
Name of Corporation of as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: JAY PENNOC, MD a professional corporation, 1840 41st Ave., Suite 102-325, Capitola, CA 95010.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
S/ Jay Pennock, MD, President
March 24, 2020

BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 26, 2020.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Business Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: April 3, 10, 17, 24, 2020. (PC402)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20200587
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **BIG SuRCuS, 216 Granite Street, Pacific Grove, CA 93950,** County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s): Rosalia Moon Webster, 216 Granite Street, Pacific Grove, CA 93950
This business is conducted by an Individual
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 01/01/2020
S/ Rosalia Moon Webster
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 16, 2020
4/10, 4/17, 4/24, 5/1/20
CNS-3358180# CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: April 10, 17, 24, May 1, 2020. (PC403)

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POLICE LOG

From page 4A

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

Pacific Grove: Violation of a custody order on David Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Non-injury collision involving two unoccupied vehicles on Lighthouse Avenue. Tow truck driver had a vehicle fall off the bed of the tow truck.

Pacific Grove: Theft on Ocean View Boulevard.

Pacific Grove: Report of criminal threats at Asilomar made by a 48-year-old male. Subject arrested and held on \$15,000 bail at Monterey County Jail. Vehicle towed.

Pacific Grove: Unknown subject on Acacia set off a firework into the air.

Pacific Grove: A 41-year-old male was booked into Monterey County Jail on charges of felony stalking, child cruelty possible of causing injury or death, and violation of a protective order.

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Robbery at Junipero and Fourth.

Pacific Grove: A 57-year-old male was arrested on Ransford for threats and battery.

Pacific Grove: Dispatched to a theft on Grove Acre that had recently occurred. Suspects — a 17-year-old juvenile and two 16-year-old juveniles — located and property recovered. No prosecution desired by the victim.

MONDAY, MARCH 23

Carmel-by-the-Sea: An adult family member was reported missing. They were eventually located in another county's jail.

Pacific Grove: Officers attempted to contact a suspect in several fraud cases. During the attempt, a subject was contacted on Lighthouse Avenue and found to be in possession of drug paraphernalia and suspected stolen mail. The 24-year-old female subject was on probation and was issued a citation. Released at the scene.

Carmel Valley: Resident from Pacific Meadows was placed on a 5150 hold [danger to self or others].

Carmel area: Unknown subject(s) entered an unlocked vehicle on Rio Road and stole items inside. Subject(s) remain at large.

TUESDAY, MARCH 24

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Attempted burglary of a hotel at Camino Real and Ocean.

Pacific Grove: DBF located at a 17th Street residence.

Pacific Grove: Unauthorized subject reported at a business on Asilomar.

Carmel area: Online report of a vehicle burglary on Meadow Way.

Carmel area: Juvenile on Rio Road made verbal threats to harm herself.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

Carmel Valley: Deputies assisted CHP in locating the suspect of a 10851 (vehicle theft) on El Caminito.

Carmel Valley: Child custody issue on Via Contenta.

Carmel area: Online report of stolen property from a victim on Santa Fe Street.

Carmel area: Residential burglary reported on Dolores Street.

Pacific Grove: Unlocked vehicle on 17th Street was rummaged through.

Pacific Grove: Entry into an unlocked vehicle on Sixth Street.

Big Sur: Missing person was located on Highway 1.

THURSDAY, MARCH 26

Carmel Valley: Male took a large amount of medication in a suicide attempt.

Carmel area: Non-permitted short-term rental on Upper Walden Road.

Carmel Valley: Subject on Carmel Valley Road was placed on a 5150 W&I [danger to self or others].

Pacific Grove: A female on Ransford reported threats.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle towed from Gate Street.

Pacific Grove: Bike theft on Moreland.

Pacific Grove: Fraud via virtual kidnapping.

ping. Money was sent to Mexico.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Investigated a non-injury collision on private property on Lincoln Street. Vehicle was drivable.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of vandalism on San Carlos south of Seventh.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Trespass advisement given to a male subject at Junipero and Sixth.

Pacific Grove: Neighbor issue on Grove Acre.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Courtesy report from Monterey Police Department regarding

See SHERIFF next page

"No matter how long the winter, spring is sure to follow."

None of us knows how long this new normal will last. But one thing we do know is how grateful we are to those who are showing up, despite the fears and risks, doing the vital work to keep our communities functioning, healthy, safe and sound. Thank you.

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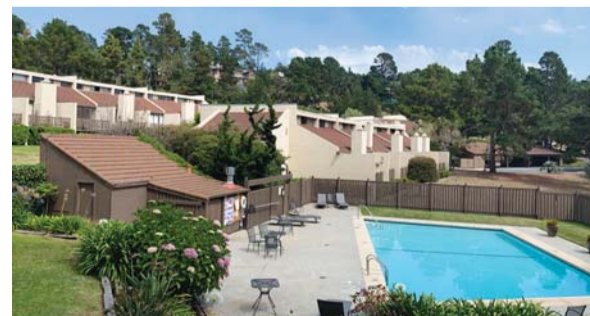


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MORE SALES

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Pebble Beach

3181 Bird Rock Road — \$3,333,000

Danny and Kathleen Huff to Les Reveurs
APN: 007-381-002

1504 Bonifacio Road — \$10,894,500

Jerry and Christine Baker to 1504 Bonifacio Road LLC
APN: 008-341-012

Seaside

595 Harcourt Avenue — \$444,000

Jacquelyn Hope to Julie Hughett
APN: 011-344-013



26271 Isabella Avenue, Carmel — \$2,925,000

1043 Highlands Street unit A — \$510,000

Alfredo Orsini to Brianna Slama
APN: 012-423-008

1145 Plumas Avenue — \$750,000

Bobby Blauschild to Jaime Page
APN: 012-451-047

4980 Beach Wood Court — \$1,067,000

David Scoggins to Dorin Panescu
APN: 031-231-003

1184 Sonoma Avenue — \$1,625,000

Slye Mackenzie to Ouita Martin
APN: 012-267-011

Number of sales: 35
Total value: \$55,064,000

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SHERIFF

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a civil restraining order on Carpenter north of Third.

Pacific Grove: Tree down on Walnut Street.

Pacific Grove: Unknown subject entered an occupied residence on Miles Avenue and left when confronted.

Carmel area: Deputies investigated a domestic disturbance on Via Cazador. Victim was elderly and was assaulted by the 56-year-old son. During the disturbance, the son discharged a firearm.

Pacific Grove: Fall on public property on 12th Street.

Pacific Grove: Service of temporary restraining order on Jewell Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Theft from an unlocked vehicle on Park Street.

Pacific Grove: At 1500 hours, a subject on Jewell Avenue was served a temporary restraining order.

Carmel area: A suspect shoplifted one bottle of antifreeze from a business on Rio Road.

Carmel Valley: A male damaged his mother's home at Del Mesa Carmel to make entry and stole property.

Carmel Valley: A male stole a bottle of alcohol from a business on East Carmel Valley Road.

Pebble Beach: Deputies responded to a medical call for a possible drug overdose on Crest Road.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

Pacific Grove: A 29-year-old male was trespassing on Grove Acre at 0023 hours. Cited and released.

Pacific Grove: Hit-and-run collision on Forest Avenue, with no suspect information.

Pacific Grove: Ongoing family disturbance on Miles Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Officer dispatched to a report of a 911 hang-up determined a domestic battery had occurred. Suspect left prior to police arrival. Case to be filed with district attorney.

Carmel Valley: Deputy was dispatched after a report of littering on private property on West Carmel Valley Road.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Home invasion and battery at a motel on Carpenter north of Sec-

ond. The 54-year-old Oakland resident was arrested for felony robbery/home invasion and misdemeanor battery and was booked at Monterey County Jail.

Carmel area: Deputies responded to a report of a missing person at Point Lobos State Reserve.

Pebble Beach: A male reported trespassers on his property on Rodeo Road.

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male called to report losing his wallet while visiting Carmel Beach.

Pacific Grove: Booked a 21-year-old male for two counts of spousal battery and violation of probation.

Pacific Grove: Subject on Patterson Lane was issued a citation for not having a driver's license.

Pacific Grove: Report of a subject unlawfully entering a vacant residence on Grove Acre. The 29-year-old male was contacted and issued a citation. Released at the scene.

Carmel Valley: Deputy was dispatched to a possible dead body found at a Paso Hondo residence.

Pacific Grove: Initial report of an item stolen from an unlocked vehicle. Item was later located and determined to not have been

stolen. Report is of vehicle tampering only.

Carmel Valley: Deputies were dispatched to a domestic disturbance at a residence.

Carmel Valley: Residents were involved in a domestic quarrel. Involved parties separated for a cool-off period.

MONDAY, MARCH 30

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Unattended death at Junipero and Ocean. No foul play suspected.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Trespass warning at Larson Field.

Pacific Grove: Dead body found at a residence on Locust.

Pacific Grove: Hit-and-run on Congress.

Pacific Grove: A subject from out of the area was contacted flying a drone near a protected area on Ocean View. Subject was informed of the laws and regulations pertaining to drone flights in Pacific Grove.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: In-progress theft from a vehicle on Dolores north of First at 0356 hours. CPD units arrived but the perpetrator was gone on arrival. Taken was \$5 from the center console.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle towed from Presidio due to being a traffic hazard partially blocking the roadway.

Pacific Grove: Battery on a person on Alder Street. A 65-year-old male was arrested.

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GERVASE

From page 6RE

to say that long-term sheltering prolongs the process and the makes the economic cost too high, especially for the healthy younger people who have little to fear from COVID-19.

Hello! Should younger people play Wuhan roulette by volunteering to be infected? As the letter writer said: "Younger people can handle COVID-19 without much difficulty, in most cases, they should just go about their business." Hmm. I wonder what that would do to our already over-extended medical services.

I am not disparaging the letter writer. He candidly addresses the problem of balancing our intrinsic rights with government directives, perhaps best proclaimed by a Virginia patriot as "Give me liberty or give me death." End result? Sheltering is working for my household, so we're sticking with the program.

Normally, during Holy Week I would be contemplating my spiritual life rather than my corporeal one by preparing for the glory of Easter.

I am no expert on viruses, but I do know one true thing. Churches may be empty on Easter Sunday, but so was that tomb. Happy Easter!

Contact Jerry at jerrygervase@yahoo.com.

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