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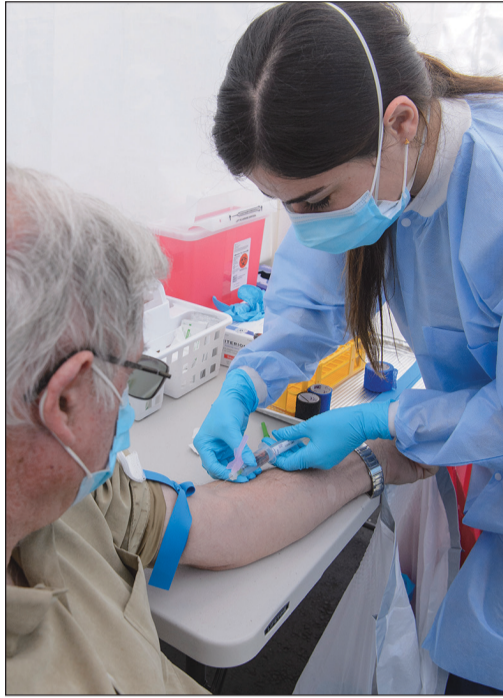
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ANTIBODIES, A QUICK HOSPITAL AND VERY SAD CARS



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(Clockwise from above) A nurse prepares to draw blood from a man at a lab in Monterey where testing is underway to identify residents carrying coronavirus antibodies. A 55,000-square-foot prefab building at the Marina airport will be used as a makeshift hospital for a possible overflow of coronavirus patients. And long-time car collector and Baja Cantina owner Pat Phinny has always participated in Concours Week on a major level, but this year, his cars will likely stay in the garage.



Virus wipes out Concours Week

■ But some organizers still have hope

By MARY SCHLEY

NO ONE knows what life on the Monterey Peninsula will look like four months from now, as far as the coronavirus outbreak is concerned, but the virus is already responsible for the cancellation of most Concours Week events, and with it, another reeling blow to the local economy that depends on the tens of millions of dollars the week usually brings in.

The first to go was the Legends of the Autobahn, which announced April 15 it won't return until 2021, but it was the Wednesday-night notice from Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance Chairman Sandra Button that this year's Concours will also be canceled that caught everyone's attention.

Years of work

Button acknowledged the years of work that go into preparing the rare, often one-of-a-kind vehicles invited to appear on the 18th Fairway at Pebble Beach each year and noted many overseas participants were nearly ready to ship theirs out for what would have been the 70th P.B. Concours d'Elegance. Their acceptances will still stand in 2021, she said, so their efforts won't go to waste, and tickets already purchased for this year's show will be good for next year's.

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Realtors say new rules make it impossible to show homes

By CHRIS COUNTS

AS LEADERS across the country struggle to find a balance between keeping people safe and not destroying the economy during the coronavirus crisis — and many push back against safety mandates they disagree with — some realtors here say restrictions imposed by Monterey County are making it impossible to show houses if they are furnished.

"My feeling is that the county health officials have gone way overboard on a number of items, including not allowing showings of a house that is furnished or staged," realtor Tim Allen told The Pine Cone.

The restrictions are part of a stay-at-home order issued

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WEARING MASKS WILL SOON BE MANDATORY

By KELLY NIX

MONTEREY COUNTY residents should be required to cover their faces when they go to the supermarket and work with others, according to the county health officer, who said he's consulting county attorneys on an order directing everyone to do just that.

In a briefing with reporters Wednesday, Dr. Ed Moreno said he's drafting a mandate similar to ones rolled out in Santa Cruz, San Benito and other counties. Moreno said requiring people to wear masks will lower the risk of transmitting coronavirus.

"Knowing that there are people out there who are potentially spreading the virus, if we cover our faces, it decreases the likelihood that an inadvertent cough or sneeze will spread to someone else," Moreno said. He did not explain why, with very few coronavirus cases in Monterey County, he decided to do it now.

The health chief said that masks are intended to prevent someone who's infectious from spreading the virus to oth-

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Mathematician takes on health officer predictions

By KELLY NIX

A RETIRED associate professor of physics at the University of Maryland who has published studies about the HIV epidemic is challenging Monterey County Health Director Dr. Ed Moreno's dire projections about the number of sick coronavirus patients the county will have in the next six weeks.

Carmel resident Ivan Kramer, a mathematician with a Ph.D. in physics from UC Berkeley, said this week that Moreno's estimate there would be 33,000 coronavirus patients in Monterey County and nearly 1,000 people hospitalized by the first week of June is way off base.

"Those numbers Moreno has gone public with bear no relationship whatsoever to reality," said Kramer, who has decades of experience in disease modeling.

The model Moreno is using, he said, should not be used to project the number of coronavirus cases Monterey County will get, because the county has a relatively small population and a small number of cases.

"We have a case here, five cases yesterday, three cases on Thursday, none tomorrow," he said, as an example of the sporadic number of local Covid-19 cases. "You have a wild digital fluctuation in the data. You don't have that in a big city. You cannot apply a disease transmission model that charts the spread of an infection in a big city to what we are experiencing here in Monterey County."

Moreno has conceded that the University of Pennsylvania coronavirus model he's basing his projections on is intended for larger cities.

Widespread infections?

Kramer pointed to new antibody studies by Stanford University and the University of Southern California that indicate far more people have had the virus than first believed. The results are good news since they mean that many more people have had the virus but were asymptomatic or had mild symptoms.

He's in agreement with those — including the researcher from USC who authored the Los Angeles study — who believe accurate estimates of the virus' ubiquity would make it easier to lift shelter-in-place orders and re-open shops, restaurants, etc.

"If you look at the infection in the Peninsula area, down to Big Sur, you will see the infection here in our community has been eliminated," Kramer said. "There is no

reason to shelter in place. We are effectively in stage one of recovery."

Since April 5, according to data compiled by The Pine Cone, the Monterey Peninsula has had only five coronavirus cases. Moreno didn't respond to The Pine Cone's questions about Kramer's claims.

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District attorney warns about short-term rentals

By MARY SCHLEY

FOLLOWING HER warning that landscapers, gardeners and other contractors found violating the county's strict shelter-in-place order would be investigated and could be prosecuted, Monterey County District Attorney Jeannine Pacioni this week also told owners of short-term rentals and hotels they could be busted for advertising to or accommodating travelers during the coronavirus shutdown.

Lodging and rentals that serve vacationers, and that advertise for visitors, are violating the prohibition on travel except under certain circumstances, such as if it's for "essential" activities, business or government work or to perform "minimum basic operations" at a non-essential business.

"The use of short-term lodging facilities, including short-term rentals, hotels, inns, and the like, for vacation purposes while the April 3 order is in effect is not permitted," Pacioni warned. "Moreover, advertising rentals for uses not allowed by the April 3 order or encouraging travel in violation of the April 3 order is unlawful."

'Very passionate'

Deputy district attorney Emily Hickok, who is handling cases involving alleged shelter-order violators, said her office has "received five complaints that implicate over 100 properties."

"Some people are very passionate about this issue and will send us lists of multiple properties that are violating the order," she said. "I have spoken to code enforcement

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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Sweet Cookie

AS HER sons got older, she decided they needed a dog, so she started looking online at shelter websites. But then she found what she wanted on Craigslist and pretty soon she met a woman who couldn't keep her 8-month-old Maltipoo-terrier mix. At a restaurant in Monterey, the woman handed over the puppy, a custom car seat and a frilly collection of costumes.

"I have boys, and I'm a tomboy who barely takes time to do my hair," she said. "What were we going to do with this fussy little thing?"

Nevertheless, she drove home with the puppy and called her sons out to help. They opened the door, and there sat the fuzzy little black-and-white animal. They looked at her coloring, decided to call her Cookie, and carried her into the house.

"I got Cookie for my boys, but she's definitely mine," said Mom. "I've never had a girl. Now, we have matching vests for when we go out. I taught her to dance, twirling to the right and left, and doing the foxtrot, forward and back. I love all this feminine energy in the house."

Cookie, now 2, climbs onto her person like a baby and lays her head on her shoulder. Whether



someone seems happy or sad, she wants to snuggle, to bring comfort and joy to her family and everyone else she meets.

Cookie loves to walk with her person from their home near the top of Ocean Avenue straight through town and down to Carmel Beach. They walk from one end of the beach to the other, keeping their social distance, and stopping to press paws and hands against the seawall, as a sign of gratitude.

"It's important to give praise for where we live, so I taught Cookie to do it, too," her person said.



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Police cite more partiers for violating shelter-in-place order

By MARY SCHLEY

A SALINAS woman who was drinking at a hotel in Carmel and a Hayward resident who came to stay here last weekend because she “was tired of feeling cooped up” were busted for violating the county’s shelter-in-place order, according to Carmel Police Sgt. Jeff Watkins, while a contractor doing non-essential construction on Easter Sunday was told to pack up and get out.

And this week, Monterey police cited three people drinking in a car for ignoring the order, and wrote a ticket to an Alvarado Street business that stayed open even though it’s not “essential,” MPD Lt. Michael Bruno said.

No ‘valid excuse’

On April 10 shortly before 11:30 p.m., a Carmel officer stopped a car at San Carlos and Seventh for a minor traffic violation and discovered the driver, 32-year-old Kristina Keller, was from Hayward.

“The driver was found to be from out of the county and admitted to coming to our area because she was tired of being cooped up at home,” Watkins said. “She stated she was staying at a hotel outside the city limits of Carmel.” Keller didn’t offer “a valid excuse for being out at such a late hour” and was cited for failing to adhere to the shelter-in-place order that’s been in place for more than five weeks. V

iolating the order, which only allows travel into and out of the county for “essential” reasons, is a misdemeanor that can carry fines up to \$1,000 and jail time.

The next night, the manager at a hotel at Mission and Fourth received multiple complaints about a loud female and called police, who arrived to find 36-year-old April Dahl talking to a man outside. When they approached, the guy left, but police questioned Dahl and discovered she was intoxi-

cated, and she admitted drinking.

“Dahl stated she was picked up by a friend and brought to Carmel,” Watkins said, and she ultimately confessed to knowing about the stay-home order but “stated she was tired of sheltering in place and wanted to go out with her girlfriend to drink.”

The Salinas resident was unwilling to call someone for a ride home, instead demanding that police take her to jail, according to Watkins.

Officers determined she was unable to take care of herself due to her intoxication and might be under the influence of drugs as well as alcohol, so they complied with her request and drove her to Monterey County Jail, where she was booked on charges of public intoxication, being under the influence of a controlled substance, and violating the shelter order.

On Easter morning, police were told someone was doing construction on a home in the area of Vizcaino and Mountain View near the Forest Theater.

Under normal circumstances, construction isn’t allowed on Sundays in town, and under the revised shelter-in-place order imposed by the county April 3, only work that’s critical for health, safety and welfare can be done.

Definitely not ‘essential’

Watkins said officers concluded the construction was in no way essential, and also discovered the contractor didn’t have a business license to operate in Carmel, another violation.

The homeowner was warned for having construction done on a Sunday and for knowingly violating the shelter order, and the contractor was told to stop work immediately. “All his business information was forwarded to the building official for follow-up,” Watkins said.



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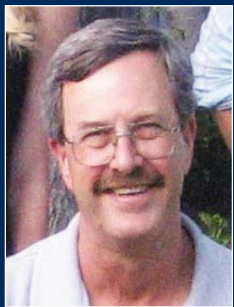
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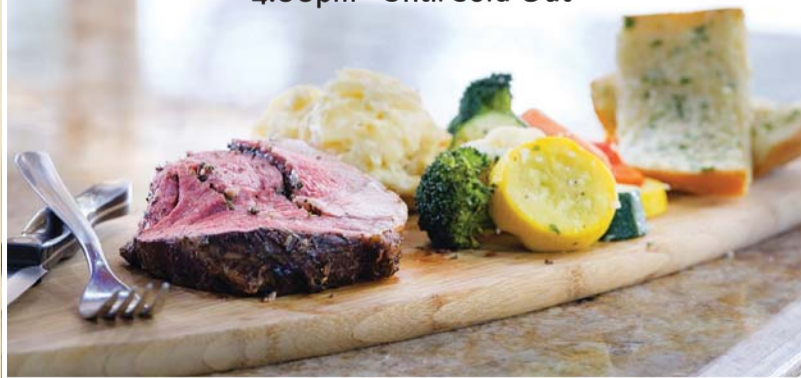
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Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

Shutdown means police calls are few

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.

Carmel area: A missing person was located during a vehicle check on Highway 1. Person was found to be OK.

THURSDAY, APRIL 9

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person reported ongoing neighbor dispute at San Carlos and Camino del Monte which has been continuing to escalate. Both parties counseled and asked to contact Carmel PD in the future.

Pacific Grove: Package stolen from the front door area of a residence on Second Street.

Pebble Beach: A subject was placed on a hold for a mental health evaluation.

Carmel Valley: Child Protective Services referral on El Hemmorro.

Carmel area: Shoplifting/theft from a grocery store at the Crossroads shopping center.

FRIDAY, APRIL 10

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 36-year-old female from Salinas was arrested at Mission and Fourth at 2020 hours for public intoxication, violating the shelter-in-place order, and being under the influence of a controlled substance. The subject was lodged at county jail.

Pacific Grove: Welfare check on Ransford at 0500 hours.

Carmel area: Deputies were dispatched to a past-tense physical domestic on Rio Road. Female suspect, age 37, was arrested for domestic abuse of a 39-year-old male.

Carmel area: Mail theft was reported on San Mateo Avenue.

See **POLICE LOG** page 8RE in the Real Estate Section

MONDAY, APRIL 6

Pacific Grove: Subject on First Street passed away due to medical issues. Sheriff's coroner removed the body from the residence.

TUESDAY, APRIL 7

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Peace disturbance at Junipero and Fifth. A 61-year-old male was cited for use of offensive words in public.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person reported that a subject was camping on the property of a closed business at Dolores and Ninth. The person asked the subject be told to leave. Subject was contacted and complied.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Juvenile contacted after being seen with a pellet gun at Casanova and 10th. Counseled on safe handling practices.

Pacific Grove: Subject attempted to commit suicide.

Pacific Grove: Subject on Lighthouse Avenue was cited for a driving on a suspended license.

Carmel area: Documentation of possible elderly financial abuse on Rio Road.

Carmel area: Victim on Highway 1 reported a vehicle burglary. Case closed.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

Carmel Valley: Person on Carmel Valley Road reported vandalism.



The gavel falls

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

Feb. 26 — Araceli Ahtziry Lopez, 23, resident of Salinas, was sentenced by Monterey County Superior Court Judge Carrie M. Panetta to felony probation for committing welfare fraud.

Between the months of January 2017 and June 2019, Lopez was receiving CalFresh benefits (food stamps) and CalWorks benefits (cash aide), claiming she needed the benefits to support her baby daughter. A subsequent investigation by the Department of Social Services and the Monterey County District Attorney's Office revealed that Lopez did not in fact have any children and had forged several documents, including a false birth certificate, which she then submitted to DSS as part of her application for benefits. Lopez's misrepresentations resulted in \$22,313 in over payment of benefits.

Lopez was sentenced to 3 years of formal felony probation, 270 days in jail, and was ordered to pay back the loss directly to the Department of Social Services.

Feb. 26 — Erica Posadas, 35, resident of Seaside, pled guilty to felony welfare fraud. The plea was taken by Monterey County Superior Court Judge Rafael Vazquez.

Between the months of April 2016 and March 2017, Posadas was receiving both cash aide (CalWorks) and food stamps (CalFresh) claiming that she was unemployed and needed these benefits to support her family. A subsequent investigation by the Department of Social Services and

the Monterey County District Attorney's Office revealed that Posadas was in fact employed at a local nail salon during the entire fraud period.

This resulted in her household receiving income well above the lawful income threshold. Posada's misrepresentations resulted in a \$11,314.00 overpayment of benefits.

Posadas faces three years of formal felony probation, up to 365 days in jail, and will be ordered to pay back the loss directly to the Department of Social Services.

Monterey County Department of Social Services along with the Monterey County District Attorney's Office has a welfare fraud tip line. If you have information regarding welfare fraud you can leave an anonymous tip at (831)755-3224.

Feb. 26 — Jerry Mares entered pleas of no contest to unlawful intercourse with a minor and unlawful sexual penetration with a minor.

On December 7, 2018, the defendant was found in the backseat of a vehicle, partially clothed, with a 16-year-old female. At the time, Mares was 47 years old and employed as a teacher at Vista Verde Middle School in Greenfield.

Judge Carrie Panetta will sentence the defendant to a suspended prison term of three years and eight months, probation for three years with up to 365 days in county jail, sex offender registration for at least ten years, and a sexual offender treatment program.

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Seven-car crash closes Holman Hwy

By MARY SCHLEY

THE DRIVER of a Penske truck ran over the top of an oncoming car after passing through a construction zone on Highway 68 in Pacific Grove Wednesday morning, causing a seven-vehicle wreck that closed the highway for two hours and sent one motorist to a trauma unit after firefighters had to cut her out of her car.

The crash occurred at about 11:20 a.m. April 22. The delivery truck was heading uphill on Holman Highway toward Monterey and had just passed through a one-way traffic-controlled stretch where construction crews have been doing drainage work, according to California Highway Patrol public information officer Jessica Madueño, when it “struck six stopped vehicles in the west-bound lane.”

The truck driven by 41-year-old Antioch resident To Alima Sue ended up on top of the first car, and the impact caused the others to run into each other.

While most of the drivers ended up not requiring any serious attention, firefighters had to extricate 71-year-old La Selva Beach resident Shirin Dinyari from the Mercedes that was under the truck, accord-



PHOTO/CALFIRE

A Penske delivery truck ended up on top of a Mercedes in a seven-car crash that shut down Highway 68 and sent three to local hospitals Wednesday.

ing to Cal Fire Capt. Curtis Rhodes

An ambulance took two patients to nearby Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, and Dinyari, who suffered major injuries, was picked up by a helicopter at Monterey airport and flown to Natividad hospital in Salinas.

This week's "History Beat" column, by Neal Hotelling, is about the history of Holman Highway. See page 24A.

Driver finally charged in Corvette wreck

By KELLY NIX

THE MONTEREY woman who police say lost control of her Corvette and crashed into several vehicles in Pacific Grove in February has been charged with reckless driving, according to a criminal complaint filed by the Monterey County

District Attorney's office.

Authorities say Ashley Nicole Keller, 23, was speeding and weaving in and out of traffic Feb. 6 on Ocean View Boulevard in a white Chevrolet Corvette when she lost control and struck four cars. Keller and

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WHEN IT COMES TO PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS, MEANING OF ‘ESSENTIAL’ VARIES

By MARY SCHLEY

FOR MONTEREY County Public Works, the only “essential” construction allowed under the health officer’s strict shelter-in-place order involves roads, bridges and emergency repairs. In Carmel, it includes replacing an old boiler and an aging roof and some ADA improvements. And in Pacific Grove, officials have decided new carpet in the youth center, a new roof on the Point Pinos Grill, the “renewal” of the library and several other projects can continue, despite the county mandate that most construction workers and other contractors stay home.

Critical Carmel work

City administrator Chip Rerig said he’s allowing Avila

Construction to continue working on the new conference room in Harrison Memorial Library, a \$275,800 project that got underway several weeks ago and is expected to take about four months to complete. The council OK’d the contract with Avila in January.

Reroofing the Scout House, which was constructed in the early 1930s and has been closed to the public due to ADA access issues since 2003, hasn’t yet begun, but the city council approved a \$62,270 contract with Scudder Roofing in February. The work is necessary because the existing roof “has leaked in different locations nearly every winter for years,” according to the public works department, and the repairs “will protect the interior of the house from further damage and moisture penetration, and make way for the renovation and re-use,” if those ever

come to pass. The contract with Bay City Boiler for replacing Sunset Center’s two “outdated, lead-containing, and inefficient boilers and mechanical equipment with one new boiler, pump, tanks, pipes, controls, and appurtenances” was also approved by the council in February for \$162,800, and Rerig said that work is allowed, as well. Finally, a small ADA project, placing railings on the stairs at Devendorf Park, will be done for \$4,000.

Meanwhile, in P.G.

Work on the \$2.16 million “renewal” of the public library continued this week, after city manager Ben Harvey said the construction is exempt from the order because it’s in the “public’s interest” to get the project done as soon as possible. “We have an aggressive schedule to meet, and a temporary space we need to move out of sooner than later,” he said. Taxpayers are still funding the library’s \$11,400 monthly rent in the Holman Building.

Bereman Carpet was hired to replace the carpet in the city’s youth center, which Harvey said can continue as an “essential government function,” because the building, “like all city facilities, is a public asset.”

Other P.G. work he said can continue includes replacing old decking at the fire station, reroofing the Point Pinos Grill at the golf course, some street and pedestrian walkway upgrades, and construction of a city trash enclosure.

Harvey said he prefers projects for which contracts have already been awarded to continue, because those that are discontinued or postponed at that point “generally end up costing more when they are rebid at a later date.”


“We have a responsibility to try to ensure public work is done in a timely and cost-effective manner,” he said, even though members of the public don’t have the right, under the order, to get their own projects completed in a timely and cost-effective manner.

County roads


Maia Carroll, spokeswoman for Monterey County, said that under the order, public works maintenance crews are continuing to tackle their regular tasks, like patching potholes, removing debris and providing traffic control, in order to “keep the county road and bridge infrastructure drivable by the public.”

The engineering department is still working on construction plans for parts of River Road and other roads in the county slated for work, and bridge repairs are continuing on Jolon Road and on Nacimiento Lake Drive, both in southern Monterey County.

“They are also performing emergency road repairs,” she said, including work slated for Carmel Valley and San Juan roads.



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Sinkholes force shutdown of reclamation project well in Seaside

By KELLY NIX

THE WASTEWATER reclamation project that will provide a new water supply for the Monterey Peninsula hit a snag when a pair of sinkholes was discovered at one of the wells that pumps the reclaimed water into an underground aquifer, according to officials with the agencies behind the project. The plant began operating in February and is expected to start delivering water to Monterey Peninsula residents sometime in the summer.

Crews with Monterey One Water — which operates the Peninsula’s sewage treatment plant and is sponsoring the reclamation project — found the sinkholes at the base of one of project’s two shallow wells in the dunes east of General Jim Moore Boulevard. One of the holes was about 3 feet deep and 3 feet across.

“On March 25, we discovered two sinkholes near the well pad of one of two shallow wells,” Monterey One Water spokesman Mike McCullough told The Pine Cone. “The surrounding terrain is sand and was filled in and compacted immediately.”

McCullough said the agency shut down both of the wells and hired a geotechnical engineering company to conduct a “cone penetrometer test,” which will assess the soil and earth to determine how severe the problem is.

The engineers should have the results in about 10 days. Once they are in, the agency will decide on the best course of action, which could include re-drilling the well or relocating it entirely.

‘No delays’

The deep wells for the reclamation project, where 70 percent of storage will take place, have not been affected and continue to work, McCullough said. As of last week, about 100 million gallons of purified water had been put into the ground. The project must have a reserve of 1,000 acre-feet of water, or about 326 million gallons, before California American Water can start delivering the purified wastewater to its customers.

He estimates it will be summer when that happens and doesn’t believe there will be any delays because of the sinkholes.

While the issue has “created a challenge,” McCullough said it’s nothing the agency “can’t overcome.”

Dave Stoldt, general manager of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District — the other public agency behind the project — said “of course there are concerns” with the holes.

“We will see what measures the geotechnical experts recommend on a path to bring them back online slowly,” Stoldt said. The project will subject wastewater to an advanced purification process that includes treating it with ozone, which destroys bacteria and other pathogens. The water is then pushed through a filter with pores the size of

a human hair — the same process used in food production for products such as baby food and bottled water. A third step involves reverse osmosis. The highly purified water is then adjusted and conveyed to aquifers in Seaside, where it will be mixed with groundwater and pumped out and delivered to customers six months later.

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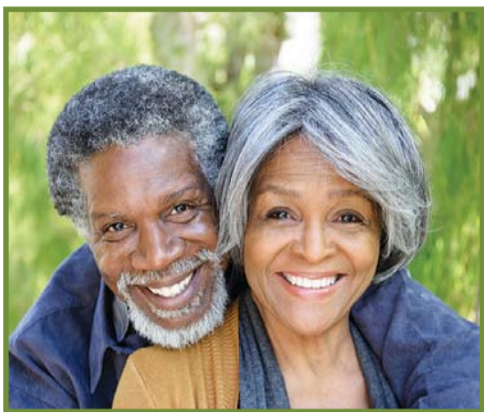
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If you don't have a grandma with a sewing machine, don't worry

By ELAINE HESSER

A FAMILY in Pacific Grove is playing matchmaker. Not with starry-eyed young lovers, but with those who make face masks and those who need them.

The Hubbards — Toula (Mom) and Chris (Dad), daughter Thalia (16) and son Niko (15) — created a clearinghouse called Masks for Monterey County (masksformontereycounty.org). The site, courtesy of Niko's computer skills, went live at the end of March and has already seen hundreds of requests, which are given to local seamstresses who donate their time and skills to fulfill them.

It all began when Toula opened a package of homemade masks from her mother, causing her two teens to wonder, "What do people without a grandmother do?"

"I haven't touched my sewing machine in at least 10 years," Toula laughed. "I'm better at project management and logistics." She's been contacting her network of friends from the Junior League and other groups where she volunteers to get the word out. Chris, who's been with the Monterey County Search & Rescue team for more than 25 years, also helps.

Thalia, in addition to using her mom's formerly neglected sewing machine to make masks, set up Instagram and Facebook pages for the venture, even though that was new territory for her. "I'd never been on social media before," she said, but Masks for Monterey County seemed like a good reason to learn about it. Her Girl Scout troop is also part of the project.

Simple concept

The website's concept is simple. People can click on the mask registration link at the top of the page and then either register as someone who can sew, or fill out a short request, generally describing what kinds of masks are needed. The Hubbards and other volunteers take care of the rest.

"That way, you don't have to call 10 different people trying to figure it out," said Toula.

One batch of masks went to the Carmel Police Department, where they'll be given to officers to cover N95 respirators they wear when meeting the public. The VNA, where several family friends work, ordered 300 masks, which they'll receive in installments of 30 each week.

The website has patterns and instructions for various types of masks, some suitable for running everyday errands, others sophisticated enough to work with filters and N95 respirators. They come with tips on wearing them properly and how to sanitize them between uses (hot water, soap and a little bleach).

The demand is mind-boggling, despite the fact that wearing a mask is (for now) optional for most folks. A family friend is doing pickup and delivery for those who can't get the masks themselves, and to protect the people making them. The masks are all donated, but the materials aren't free, so those who wish to support the effort can make a donation on the website.

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Youth center distributes food to those in need

By MARY SCHLEY

AFTER FLAHERTY'S restaurant owner and Carmel Youth Center board member Ken Spilfogel managed to get distributors to donate hundreds of boxes of food, the center's executive director, Jessica Faddis, got busy figuring out how to get them to the people who need help the most.

"We tried to spread the love through Monterey County," she said. "Because everybody's hurting right now. I think that's the most shocking thing: That people who are normally not hurting are hurting, and they are having to ask for help."

While the center has been closed for more than a month, Faddis said, she continued to think up ways it could stick to its mission of serving the community.

When she "realized how big the need for food was," she said, "I reached out to Ken to see if he knew anyone who needed to offload food."

He did, contacting distributors with food that was perfectly good but was destined to go to waste due to the steep drop in restaurant business because of the coronavirus-induced shutdown.

Faddis got to work contacting local charities, soup kitchens, warming shelters, churches and school districts to distribute the 900 boxes of food, some of which was perishable and had to be stored in a rented refrigerator/freezer truck that was paid for by a youth center family.

"There are a lot of churches that typically feed people, and because their parishioners are not going to church, they're not getting the food donations they typically get,"

Faddis said.

"So they reached out to us to say they are now feeding twice as many people, and don't have much to give," she added.

Faddis and a group of volunteers distributed boxes to various charities, based on their specific requests, and gave 540 to school districts, where principals ensured they got to the families that needed them most.

"We are already getting messages back from administrators saying it was a treat to be able to knock on their doors and give them food and say, 'Your family is going to be OK for the week,'" she said.

Keep caring

Anything left over went to shelters for victims of domestic violence — which has worsened with people being stuck at home and contending with the stresses of coronavirus and job loss. Faddis observed the shelters are seeing many more victims than usual.

And, she said, Spilfogel is already working on round 2. "This definitely isn't the end of our help," she said. "As we see the needs change or grow or go in a different direction, we're going to change and keep taking care of needs in the community."

Spilfogel said he was proud to facilitate the donation and thanked his customers for continuing to support the restaurant.

"We are always here to support our community in times of need," he said. "Please consider the Carmel Youth Center for any of your future donations."

Surfabout canceled

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE SURFABOUT competition set to take place at Carmel Beach June 13-14 has been canceled due to coronavirus. With a county shelter-in-place order running at least through May 3, and no end in sight, the small group of organizers decided taking the contest off the calendar was the best move.

"In these tumultuous and unpredictable times, in an abundance of caution, we have determined that we must play our role when it comes to encouraging social distancing," they said in the announcement. "We also need to give our local business community — which plays such an integral role in the production of the event — time to heal and regroup in these economically challenging times."

Homeless get sanitizer

SEASIDE POLICE worked with the Ministerial Alliance of Monterey Bay to distribute hand sanitizer to the city's "vulnerable population" in an effort to slow the spread of coronavirus. "We are providing the alliance 1-ounce travel-sized bottles and single-use packets to distribute to those in need," Seaside Police Chief Abdul Pridgen said earlier this month.

Anyone with questions about what's available and how it's being distributed should contact Pastor Kenneth Murray at (831) 224-9488. "Please remember to help those in need, wash your hands and take care," Pridgen said.

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An open letter to Dr. Ed Moreno and District Attorney Jeannine Pacioni:

-from "The Carmel Pine Cone, April 17-23", "DA threatens prosecution if gardeners, contractors..." The DA has acted on County Health Officer Moreno's recent order that, landscapers, gardeners, carpenters and other contractors can only work on projects that are for health and safety. Violations are subject to criminal and civil penalties for both the contractor and property owner. -End reference to article.

What are we trying to accomplish? It would seem we have met the enemy and he/she is us!!

1. Presumably a property owner and his/her family can work in their home garden, but a single hired gardener cannot unless it is for health and safety.
2. Denying gardeners work means their loss of income. Alternatively couldn't they be restricted to one gardener per small residential property (4,000 sq.ft.) to maintain some income flow and more than one on larger properties if working separate distinct sections (e.g. front or back). No matter which, all workers must wear gloves and face masks.
3. Before shutting down such small enterprises, thought should be given to "Mom and Pop" businesses which could also be permitted to function with constraints--e.g. hair salons, barbershops, small specialty stores (one customer and one store employee at a time and those working inside need to be masked and gloved).
4. Putting people out of work not surprisingly often causes a huge financial hardship which in turn causes unfortunate emotional strain. Small new construction projects/repairs should be permitted for the same reasons as stated in para 3 above.
5. This area has many second home owners. Once the property looks ill-maintained it is an open invitation to break-ins as its condition screams absentee home-owner.

It is my observation that most County residents seem to be following the edicts of the Health Director as we want to do our part to protect the health of all. But what does a single gardener do to spread the virus when he/she is alone with the plants? It seems to make no sense.

Please public officials, use your authority in a way that makes sense to those who are following the rules and in a way that is fair to the hard working people who are most impacted by this crisis.

Sue McCloud
former Carmel Mayor

Antibody tests show few locals have been exposed to the virus

By CHRIS COUNTS

AFTER AN earlier effort by ARCpoint Labs in Monterey to test people for coronavirus antibodies was derailed by changing FDA regulations and supply-chain concerns, the lab rolled out a new test Monday that confirmed that at least some Monterey County residents are carrying the antibodies.

By Thursday, the lab had received tests results from 120 people, and found that seven of them are carrying coronavirus antibodies, meaning that they've previously been exposed to the virus and either recovered or were asymptomatic.

While the sample size is small, it does suggest that the virus hasn't penetrated deep into the population here like it has in New York City, where antibody testing this week revealed that as many as 1 in 5 residents have been exposed.

The sample suggests that 6 percent of the local population has been exposed to the virus, but laboratory director Spencer Smith thinks the number is probably lower.

"This was a group of people who thought they had it," he told The Pine Cone. Smith estimated that the true number is probably "in line with what Santa Clara has reported, 2.5 to 4 percent."

The tests are important, because if someone can be proved to possess the antibody, it means there's a very good chance — based on the behavior of other viruses — he or she won't catch it again anytime soon, or pass it on to someone else. For medical professionals, that could mean they could go back to treating patients. For anyone else, it could mean going back to work sooner, which could prove invaluable during the effort to restart the economy.

Beyond simply identifying who has had the virus, the medical director of ARCpoint Labs, Dr. Chris Cherubino, said the tests

could represent "a major development in our understanding of how widespread" the virus has been.

"Because we currently have no idea how many people may have recovered from and are immune to the virus, everyone is forced to take the strictest precautions; as a result, much of the country has been shut down," Cherubino explained. "By providing antibody tests, we can begin to build a body of evidence and hopefully restore some measure of normalcy for people and businesses as the fight to contain the coronavirus continues."

ARCpoint Labs CEO John Constantine said the tests could provide valuable data in the fight against the virus.

"As a country, we don't have access to good statistical information about how widespread the virus is," Constantine said. "The more tests that can be conducted, the better that data will be. The better the data, the better the decision-making that can happen at a local and federal level."

FDA's concerns

Three weeks ago, ARCpoint Labs began testing people for coronavirus antibodies. Done through a fingerprick, the tests were made in China. Not only did the tests identify at least some residents with antibodies — they wouldn't say how many tested positive, citing privacy concerns — but they were cheap (\$68) and the results came by the end of the day.

More than 1,700 people, mostly workers at risk, were tested. Smith said "only a few" tested positive for antibodies, but he wouldn't give a specific number.

But by April 8, the FDA had tightened up its guidelines, and as a result, ARCpoint Labs teamed with another lab, Access Medical, to offer a new test, which is done

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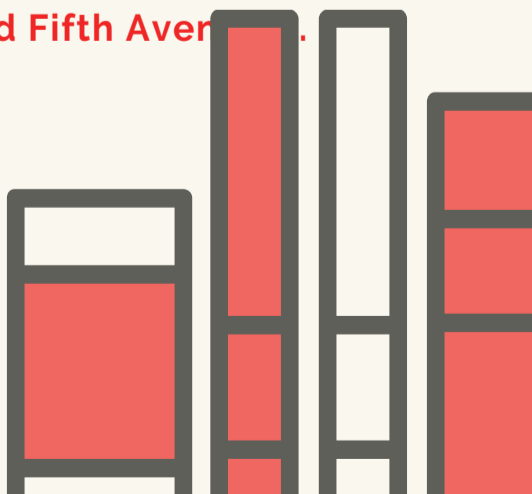
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On the front lines of the pandemic, they help everyone breathe easier

By DENNIS TAYLOR

RESPIRATORY THERAPISTS at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula say dealing with the sickest of the sick is the career choice they made, and insist that there's nowhere they'd rather be at this moment in history than on the front lines of medical care.

The global pandemic that has infected at least 2.7 million people, including about 870,000 Americans, hasn't yet overwhelmed — or even filled — the emergency room and intensive care units at CHOMP. The Monterey County Health Department is reporting 154 positive tests, but fewer than two dozen county residents have been hospitalized, and four have died. CHOMP has reported one death.

But Elisabeth Gerrity, an assistant director of respiratory therapy at CHOMP, and Ryan Croft, a night-shift respiratory care supervisor, have seen the ferocious potential of the Covid-19 virus.

"Our more critical patients develop a lot of difficulty breathing, along with high

fever," said Gerrity, a 21-year veteran of respiratory care, the last eight at CHOMP. "They have a difficult time getting oxygen into their circulatory systems, so their blood-oxygen levels are quite low, which compounds the difficulty breathing."

The patient may be intubated (a breathing tube is inserted through the mouth into the trachea), sedated, and placed on a ventilator.

"We keep them sedated and comfortable, and the ventilator essentially takes over the work of breathing," she said. "The respiratory therapist controls their breathing, how much oxygen they need, the size of the breaths they take, and makes adjustments for each individual."

Triage

Croft, a five-year respiratory therapist who joined the CHOMP staff in December, said procedures are well-established, but dealing with the novel coronavirus is an ongoing education.

"We're looking at New York and some of the other places that have been hit hard-

er. We're watching what they're doing, and we're basically picking and choosing what seems to be working," Croft said.

"We're actually separating patients before they even walk in the door. If they have respiratory symptoms, they go to tents we've set up in a separate area, where they can be examined and monitored," he said. "If they're healthy enough, they can

be sent home, where they can quarantine and self-isolate. If not, we'll isolate them."

Croft and Gerrity also read voraciously about Covid-19 treatments, but say they avoid much of the 24/7 barrage of daily news coverage.

The mandate of isolation for people in

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EXPERT

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Kramer said he worked with the Maryland Health Department to predict how many hospital beds that state needed to prepare for AIDS patients when the disease was in the early stages, and wrote a 1990 model analysis on the survivability of the disease. He's had numerous other studies and models published, including those addressing schizophrenia, Alzheimer's and cancer.

However, Moreno told reporters Wednesday that he has no intention of easing the shelter-in-place order on the Peninsula and warned of "consequences" including a "false sense of security" among citizens if he did that.

"By lifting restrictions on one city, for example, then people from other parts of the county that also have Covid-19 could start traveling to that city to enjoy the loosening of restrictions," he said. "So, that could have a negative impact on any city that is under a different level of restriction."

The stay-home order, which is punishable with a fine or jail if violated, expires May 3, but will almost certainly be extended. Moreno, who said the order has been effective but causes "some disruption to society," said he's taking his cues from Sacramento and other counties about how he might extend it.

"Whatever that next order looks like, I would very much like it to be, as much as possible, aligned with the governor's health officer's order," he said, "because I can

put on more restrictions than the governor, but I really can't have fewer restrictions than his order."

For "consistency purposes," Moreno said he's working closely with officials from neighboring counties on the revision because of the people who "live and work in more than one county."

The county also confirmed the fourth death this week. Bob Landess, 72, of Salinas, died of the virus, the sheriff's office told The Pine Cone Monday.

Why so many in Salinas?

Moreno said during the briefing that testing for coronavirus by the two hospitals in Salinas is the reason for the disproportionate number of Covid-19 cases in that area compared to others, including the Monterey Peninsula.

Of the county's 154 confirmed coronavirus cases, 96 have been in the Salinas area, 25 in South Monterey County, 25 in the Peninsula and Big Sur, and eight in North Monterey County.

Moreno said the two hospitals in Salinas are simply conducting more tests than the Peninsula, which has only one hospital.

"Two hospitals, two emergency departments; each very busy collecting specimens," he said. "So that region has more doctors swabbing than the other regions. So, for that reason, we would expect to see more cases."

As of Wednesday, Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula had tested 281 people. Of those, 260 were negative, 17 were positive and one person is hospitalized with the virus. Four results are pending.

Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital has tested 826 peo-

ple, with 84 positive results and 718 negative results. Two dozen tests are pending.

Natividad Medical Center doesn't perform its own tests, but swabs patients and sends the swabs to the county lab for processing. Of the 506 samples it's collected, the department has tested 381 and a contracted lab has tested 140. The tests confirmed 35 positive patients.

Asked if there has been an uptick in coronavirus cases among farmworkers in Monterey County, Moreno said the relatively small number of cases here make him unable to determine if there is a "peak or trend or spike" of cases among any particular demographic or occupation.

"We do have identified Covid-19 employees from a variety of industries, including farmworkers" he said.

However, Moreno also said the "concern" with farmworkers is that some of them "may struggle to be able to isolate themselves and not infect their family members or coworkers, if they are living with them."

District 3 Monterey County Supervisor Chris Lopez responded to reports that about a dozen farmworkers who migrated to Monterey County for seasonal agricultural work caused the virus to spread quickly throughout the Salinas Valley.

"I've heard rumors about that, but I have not heard that directly from a reliable source," Lopez told The Pine Cone.

The supervisor, who sits on Natividad Medical Center's board of trustees, said that hospital has issued public service announcements about the virus and shelter-in-place order in native languages Trique and Mixteco. The county health department, he said, has also made public announcements in Spanish.

Asked about Moreno's performance during the coronavirus crisis, Lopez said this of the pediatrician, who, according to Transparent California, made \$347,485.89 in salary and benefits in 2019 in the government job.

"Ed's been put in a real hot seat and I think he's doing a great job, considering everything that is coming at him," Lopez said.

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RULES

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April 3 by top county health official Edward Moreno. The regulations say showings “must only occur virtually,” although if that is not feasible, then an onsite showing is possible. But first, the house can’t have anyone living in it and must be cleared of furniture. An agent can also only show a home to two people at a time, and they have to be from the same family.

While the order didn’t specifically address furniture, a memo sent out last week from the Monterey Association of Realtors to its members clarified it, based on a conversation with Moreno.

According to the memo, for a property to be shown, it must be vacant, the previous residents must have left with no intention of returning, and all furniture must be removed. It also notes that filling homes with rented furniture to make them more attractive — a practice known as “staging” — is not allowed.

“Vacant properties must be empty of all furnishings,” it reads. “Staging the property is forbidden.”

But Allen said he believes the restrictions are unreasonable.

“A surface is a surface, and surface-transfer is possible with Covid-19 as we know, but the most likely surfaces people are to touch are switches and door handles, not necessarily furniture,” he explained. “All houses have countertops and surfaces already.”

Allen said when his company shows a house, they go to considerable lengths to ensure they’re doing it safely. He also noted that showings are scheduled at least 48 hours apart.

“We are very diligent when we show

these houses,” he explained. “We wipe surfaces down before and after, and we provide masks. The protocol we use is as safe as it can get.”

Do new restrictions go too far?

Carmel Realty CEO Dan Lynch told The Pine Cone he agreed with early guidelines imposed on his industry by the county, and he said he’s thankful selling homes has been deemed an essential part of the economy. But Lynch said additional restrictions imposed by the revised order have gone too far.

The realtor said it’s common to find local homes on the market that are packed with furniture. To move it all out at a time like this — and find a place to store it — creates many challenges.

Lynch said his company won’t schedule showings less than 72 hours apart. He also noted that a home will be cleaned and aired out after each showing, and clients will be reminded not to touch anything. Everybody present will wear masks and gloves.

Michael Canning of Canning Property Group and Sotheby’s International Realty said he doesn’t believe the requirement to clear homes before showings is warranted.

“Not being able to show houses with furniture is a huge problem,” Canning told The Pine Cone. “We feel there’s an inconsistency in the regulations that’s not tied to fact or science — we don’t see them making a significant impact on our ability to protect agents and clients.”

Homes still selling

Despite the restrictions on showings, Canning said his company has found buyers for local properties in recent weeks.

“We’ve been able to sell a few properties,” Canning said. “We sold a fully vacant new home — it had never been occupied. We also have sold three pieces of vacant

land in recent weeks.”

Realtor Mark Bruno of Keller Williams Coastal Estates reported that his company recently used online conferencing software to bring together a buyer and a seller. The house in question is now under contract, he said.

While home sales might be more difficult to complete during the shutdown, it’s not because of lack of interest. Cooped up in their homes, it’s not surprising so many people are surfing the real estate listings on the internet.

“We’re seeing an increase of interest from the San Francisco Bay area,” Canning reported. “It’s almost more than it was pre-coronavirus.”

Canning noted that while there are still “huge logistical constraints” to doing “virtual open houses,” interest in virtual homes tours “is sky high.”

And perhaps more important, people from near and far are thinking about buying a home here. “We’re watching the increased demand and we’re looking at it as a silver lining,” he added.

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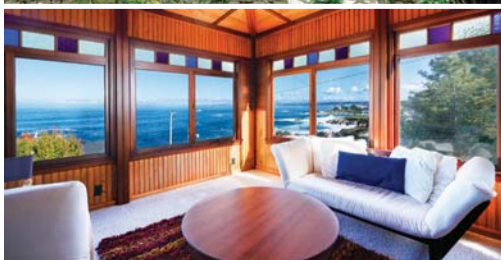
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CONCOURS

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The charities that typically receive the millions of dollars the Concours generates will have to go without, however.

Pebble Beach Co. CEO Bill Perocchi said health and safety drove the decision, and that canceling the 2020 event “is appropriate under these unique circumstances.”

Other cancellations

On Thursday, several other event and auction organizers also pulled the plug on 2020.

Gordon McCall, who oversees the high-end Quail Mo-

torsports Gathering in Carmel Valley and organizes his own McCall’s Motorworks Revival at the Monterey Jet Center with wife Molly, had held out hope as recently as Wednesday night.

On Thursday, he reluctantly announced they, too, would be canceling, “in light of public health and safety.”

“It’s shocking,” he said. “How is the Peninsula going to survive this shutdown and no Car Week?”

The McCalls will continue promoting local restaurants and other “essential” businesses during the shutdown and are focused on “keeping it on the high road, looking forward to 2021, and trying to help your neighbor.”

A lot of neighbors are going to need help, too. Considering a 2015 study concluded more than 85,000 people came to the Peninsula during the 2014 Concours Week

and spent nearly \$54 million while they were here, McCall said, “that’s money that kept a lot of people going.”

Doug Freedman, who organizes the Carmel-by-the-Sea Concours on the Avenue with wife Genie, said Wednesday night he would do whatever possible to host the free downtown show this year.

And while chances looked more grim Thursday, he said he still hopes to figure out a way to hold the event, however it might look, and that he wants to work with the city to make it happen in some guise.

“Everybody knows all of the reasons,” people are being so cautious, he said. “We listen to all of them very carefully on the news every day, in every way shape and form.”

Ashlee Wright, community activities director for the city, said she and other top officials decided they would not authorize any “large-scale gatherings,” given the health risks and the difficulties in keeping sick people from coming in contact with others.

The Prancing Ponies car show will be canceled as a result, she said.

No sales

The large car sales are out, too. As soon as the P.B. Concours issued its announcement, Gooding & Co., which hosts the Pebble Beach auction, quickly followed. Without The Quail, it’s highly unlikely Bonhams will host its accompanying auction, and RM Sotheby’s reportedly canceled their sale that typically takes place at the Monterey Conference Center.

Carmel Valley resident Tony Singer similarly said Thursday his Automobilia Monterey sale of memorabilia, which benefits the Rape Crisis Center, is off this year.

The Concours d’LeMons announced the same type of news. In typical fashion, the notice read, in part, “Have you seen the types of cars that show up?”

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Phyllis Eaton Holt

Aug. 30, 1920 ❖ March 9, 2020

Phyllis Eaton Holt, 99 years old, died peacefully in her home, surrounded by her loving family on March 9th, 2020. Phyl was born on August 30, 1920, in Yakima, WA, the daughter of James and Marion Eaton. She attended Central Washington College in Ellensburg, where she earned a teaching degree. After college she married her childhood sweetheart, Robert Bandy Holt. Together they had many adventures in the military while raising their two boys, Robert and James. They lived all over the United States, as well as in France and Germany.



After the premature death of her husband, Colonel Robert Holt, she relocated to Carmel where her parents had retired. Carmel always held a special place in her heart — the rocky coastline and the ocean were some of her favorite sights in all the world. She also spent many wonderful days at her cabin in White Rock.

She managed the Wharf Crafts Gallery and Gift Shop on Wharf No. 1, a position she held for over 15 years. She was also a member of the Carmel Art Association, Yes for Carmel, and the Carmel Foundation, where she worked as a librarian.

During her life she enjoyed many rich friendships, hosted fabulous cocktail and dinner parties, and cherished her time with her friends and family. She continued to have lunch with her girlfriends and exercise regularly well into her 90s. Throughout her life, she also enjoyed traveling, reading, and cooking. She had a passion for nature and animals and always had a companion pet by her side. As a talented painter and photographer, her adventures around the world

and locally gave her endless subjects and inspiration.

To know Phyl was to be inspired. She taught us all how to live in the present and enjoy life’s simple gifts. She had a curious and open mind, a sharp wit, and a wonderful sense of humor.

Phyl is survived by her children Robert and James Holt (Leslie); grandchildren Megan Sherman (Jason), Matt Murphy (Kristina) and Brittany Holt; and great grandchildren Alex Johnston, Isaac, Aden and Danielle Sherman.

She will be cherished and remembered by all of us who loved her.

At her request no services will be held.



Hildegunn Hawley
1943 – 2020



Hildegunn Hawley passed away on February 17, 2020, with loved ones at her side. She fought a protracted and courageous battle against cancer, due in large part to her ardor for life.

Hildegunn was born in Oksfjord, Norway on December 18, 1943. From childhood, Hildegunn embraced adventure. In her early 20s, she held various positions in Germany, France and the United States, including as a translator, before accepting a job with Pan Am as a flight attendant in 1968. She travelled extensively throughout her life to Europe and, often under challenging circumstances, to countries including Afghanistan, China, India, Indonesia, Morocco, Nepal, and Vietnam.

Many of her fondest memories resulted from times spent in some of the most remote reaches of the globe. This travel inspired her design aesthetic and fostered close friendships throughout the world. She left Pan Am in 1983, when Pan Am sold its Pacific routes, to start her business — Hildegunn Hawley Antiques in Carmel, which she nurtured for nearly 40 years. In addition to classical music, literature, and cultivating beautiful antiques, the family, friends and clients who surrounded her provided her great joy.

Hildegunn’s life is perhaps best defined by a disregard of limitations. This was apparent throughout her life, including her final year, in which she spent Christmas and New Year’s Eve with her daughters in Cambodia and Laos, travelled to her second home in France, and kept the door of her store open at every opportunity she was afforded.

Above all, she was a fabulous listener and keenly interested in others’ lives and stories — she often referred to the Buddhist parable of the mustard seed — we are never alone in our grief. Hildegunn was a wonderful mom, sister and friend. She will be remembered for her strength, generosity, sophistication, intellect, quick wit and laughter.

She is survived by her two daughters Inga-Elisabeth and Kristina Hawley, brothers Gudmund, Hans Anton, and Tom Frode Hansen, extended family in Norway, and a circle of wonderful friends in Carmel and around the world who brought tremendous meaning to her life. She will live on in the hearts of those who loved her and whom she inspired — there were many.

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these rust buckets to the show,' stated Concours d'Lemons Head Gasket Alan Galbraith. 'We didn't want to expose participants or spectators to anything worse than the jokes I tell at the awards ceremony. They make enough people ill as it is.'"

Races still a question mark

Barry Toepke, who is organizing the Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion and pre-reunion races at WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca, said Thursday the track's management and the county, which owns the track, have yet to make a decision. So far, all of the racing events at the track have been rescheduled as the coronavirus shutdown extends.

"We don't want to make a kneejerk decision, since it's four months away, and we have a large facility where there can be distancing," he said. "And yet, we want to be responsible."

Acceptances for some 400-plus cars set to compete during the vintage races were sent out this month, and while Toepke said a few participants have said they are worried about taking part, others have asked for the races to go on.

"If we do hold it, it will be a different looking event, with fewer sponsors and fewer people and things like that," he said. "But we would love to bring business back to the local restaurants and all those people who are really struggling, and if we can help in any way, that's huge."

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Toepke said he's undertaking planning the event with as much flexibility as possible, so any requirements short of barring it from happening can be accommodated.

"We just don't want to make a snap decision, because that's really going to hit the local economy really hard," he said.

Rick Barnett, chairman of The Concours at Pasadera set for Aug. 7, is intent on holding his event and said the large property can easily accommodate social distancing and other safety requirements.

"Because these events are canceling, we are getting calls from people who were going to exhibit at the other events and want to bring their cars to ours," Barnett said Thursday.

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ELAINE WALKER RANKIN

May 25, 1927 ❖ December 23, 2019

Elaine Walker Rankin passed away peacefully on December 23, 2019. A resident of Carmel Valley for 47 years, Elaine was born in Hollywood, California, on May 25, 1927. She graduated from South Pasadena High School, and in the late 1940s attended Stanford

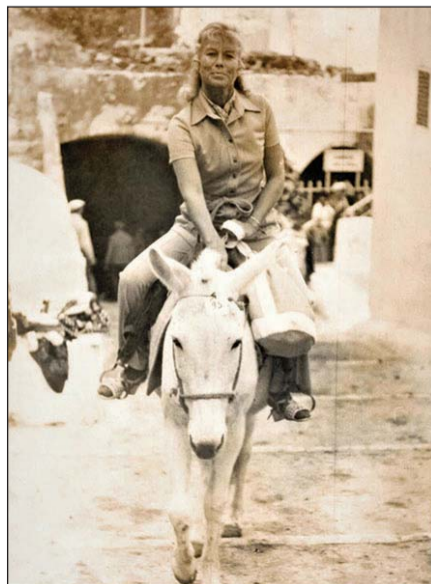


University and UCLA, where she obtained a degree in Early Childhood Education. In Carmel, she was director of Carmel Preschool, and also managed The Pro Shop at Carmel Valley Athletic Club. It was here she met her husband, James Rankin. They were married for 34 years until Jim's passing in 2006.

Elaine volunteered for several charitable organizations, including the Carmel Bach Festival and Monterey Museum of Art. She had an adventurer's spirit, traveling to over 43 countries and to such unique destinations as India, Malaysia, Morocco, Iran, Syria, and even China while still in the midst of the cultural revolution in the 1970s. To the amazement of

family and friends, she was still physically active into her 90s, playing tennis regularly and participating in her walking club. An avid reader, Elaine also enjoyed meeting with her book club.

Elaine is survived by her children: Cynthia Wilford of Los Angeles, CA, Eric Wilford (Mary) of Sunnyvale, CA, Jon Rankin of Pacific Grove, CA; her grandchildren Iggy Wilford of St. John, USVI, John Hughes (Terra) of Los Angeles, CA, Devon Hughes of Los Angeles, CA and two great-grandchildren, Ella and Olivia. She is preceded in death by her husband, James Rankin Sr., daughter Lorrie and grandson Scott. She is further survived by her stepchildren Gina Riddiford, James Rankin Jr., Katie Parkes, 6 step-grandchildren and 13 step great-grandchildren.



The show's theme this year, Ford vs. Ferrari, has already generated a lot of excitement, he said, and with car enthusiasts' options now very limited for August, he expects the field will be impressive.

"The most important thing, from our standpoint, is to maintain social distancing and other requirements that would be handed down to us by the county and city and anyone else," he said. "Any security measures we would need to take, we will. All of that can be done with an event like ours."

*Janet Lynn Langland*

August 13, 1950 – April 11, 2020
Carmel Valley

Wife, mother, friend, banker, teacher, volunteer Jan was born in Litchfield, Minnesota in 1950 to Betty and Don Holmgren. She earned a degree in home economics and teaching credential magna cum laude from St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota. She then moved west to get out of the cold and ended up in Cupertino where she worked her way up to a branch manager for Northern California Savings. In 1986 she was introduced to Rodger via the regional manager who was a friend of Rodger's through their Navy service. They were married in 1987 at St. Andrew's, Saratoga. Jan moved to Monterey and soon became a mother to Todd in 1988. In 1990 they moved to Los Tulares in Carmel Valley where they built a house and Blake was born. She earned her CA teaching credential, substitute taught before the boys were in school for a few years, and then taught second grade at Tularcitos Elementary School for many years. After retiring in 2005, Jan volunteered on the CHOMP Bloodmobile for many years until the operation was shut down. After that she transitioned to volunteer at the Carol Hatton Breast Care Center. During the years the boys were swimming competitively at Carmel High School and UC San Diego, Jan was very involved in team parent activities. Since joining St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church after moving to Carmel Valley, Jan has volunteered as an Altar Guild worker and faithful member.

Jan was preceded in death by her father Donald Holmgren. She is survived by her mother Betty, brothers Larry (Teresa) and David (Lynn), husband Rodger and sons Todd (Neda) and Blake (Mercedes).

We would like to thank Drs. Zach Koontz and John Hausdorff and the staff of Pacific Cancer Care for their professional expertise and loving care, the interventional radiology department staff at CHOMP and Hospice of the Central Coast for their end of life care.

A memorial service at St. Dunstan's will be scheduled when conditions allow. Those wishing to make a remembrance contribution can give to the Haiti Fund at St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church, 28005 Robinson Canyon



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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 VAUGHN, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. Present name: ROLANDE KETCHAM VAUGHN
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 Agujito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

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

(s) Lydia M. Villarreal
 Judge of the Superior Court
 Date filed: March 13, 2020
 Publication dates: April 3, 10, 17, 24, 2020. (PC325)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Tuesday, May 5, 2020 on or after the hour of 4:30 p.m.**, the City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will hold a **Public Hearing** in the Council Chambers located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California for the following purpose:

Proposed Action: Consideration of a Resolution establishing the value of parking in-lieu fees at \$105,044 based on the recently adopted 2019 California Building Codes.

Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20 has allowed local legislative bodies to hold public meetings via teleconference and to make public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the local legislative body. Also, see the Order by the Monterey County Public Health Officer issued March 17, 2020. The health and well-being of our residents is the top priority for the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea. To that end, this meeting will be held via teleconference and web-streamed on the City's website ONLY.

All interested persons are invited to attend via teleconference at the time and place specified above to give oral or written testimony concerning this matter. Written comments may be submitted to the City Clerk at City Hall located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921 or P.O. Box CC, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921 or by email cityclerk@ci.carmel.ca.us prior to the meeting. With respect to written comments, please submit them at least 2 hours before the meeting in order to ensure they are provided to the legislative body and made part of the record. Comments received after that time and up to the end of the public hearing will be saved as part of the record but may not be provided to the legislative body prior to or during the public hearing.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 66016 a copy of the draft report regarding the proposed fees will be available for inspection on the City's website www.ci.carmel.ca.us 10 days in advance of the meeting.

The staff report and relevant documents will be available at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting on the City's website at http://www.ci.carmel.ca.us. The Council meeting will be televised live on the City's website and archived there after the meeting. For more information regarding City Council meetings, please contact the City Clerk's office at (831) 620-2016.

Britt Avrit, MMC
 City Clerk

Please direct questions about this item to:
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 mwaffle@ci.carmel.ca.us, or 831-620-2057

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 Duly Appointed Trustee: **Western Progressive, LLC**
 Deed of Trust Recorded **10/13/2006** as Instrument No. **2006091102** in book --, page-- and of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Monterey County, California,
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Publication dates: April 17, 24, May 1, 2020 (PC405)

Drummer calls survival ‘a miracle’

NOW THAT Monterey jazz drummer Andy Weis's condition has improved dramatically, his ongoing battle with coronavirus offers a glimmer of good news at a time when thousands of people are reportedly dying of the pandemic around the world every day.

But now that he can communicate with his family, friends and fans again, Weis noted that he, too, came dangerously close to joining those grim statistics.

“The good Lord above is giving me a second chance at this life,” said Weis, who observed that he got sick on the nine-year anniversary of quitting smoking.

“The doctors and nurses did not think I would make it. Many here are saying it was a miracle I did not die, and my recovery is also a miracle,” he said.

Weis has been hospitalized at CHOMP for nearly three weeks. He said medical staff must wear special protective gear when they tend to him. “I am still in isolation, and they have to suit up before they can come into my room,” he explained.

The drummer praised those at the Monterey hospital for the care he is receiving.

“I could never have imagined teetering between life and death, and that I would end up on a life support ventilator for 10 days,” he said. “The consummate professionals here at CHOMP who were and are with me every step of the way, at great risk to their own health, have treated me with great dignity.”

Before the coronavirus shutdown, Weis was performing regu-

larly at Spanish Bay on Friday and Saturday nights.

Long road back

Despite his improved condition, Weis still faces challenges getting back on his feet. “Now I have to rehab for several

On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

weeks,” he added. “I never thought I would have to relearn how to stand and walk.”

Weis' daughter, Audrey, who has provided updates of her father's battle against the virus, is encouraged by his improved

See **DRUMMER** page 21A



Drummer Andy Weis received a hospital visit from another drummer, Dr. David Morwood, who brought along a pair of drumsticks.

Photographers rally to support Seaside nonprofit's auction

FACING FINANCIAL challenges during the coronavirus shutdown, a photography group — the Weston Collective in Seaside — is launching an online fundraising auction April 29.

“To help address our mounting losses during this difficult time, the Weston Collective is hosting an online auction of collectible photographs by nationally known local artists and talented educators,” executive director Zach Weston announced this week. “We applaud the generosity of our local artists and we

are confident that with your ongoing support, the Weston Collective will continue to provide valuable services to our community youth.” Besides work by the late

Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

Wynn Bullock and Cole Weston, the auction will include images by an array of contemporary photographers, including Jerry Takigawa, Brian Taylor, Kim Weston, Heidi Kirkpatrick, Manuello Paganelli and others.

Like so many other arts-related nonprofits, the Weston Collective has had to suspend most of its operations.

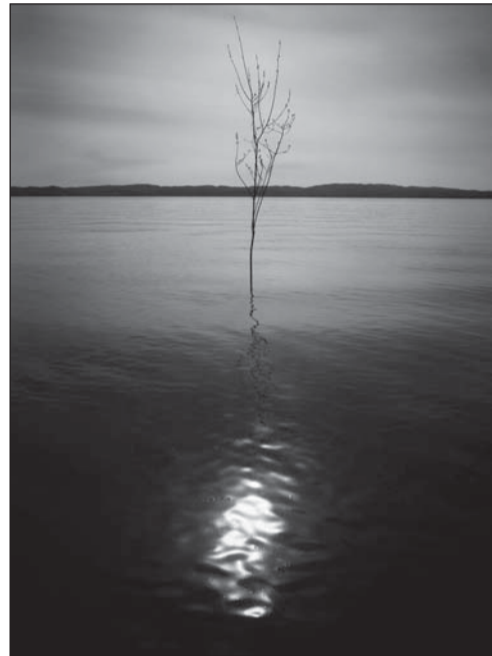
“With schools and colleges closed for the remainder of the school year, we closed our doors to community darkroom rentals, workshops, and our vital youth photography programs at Martin Luther King Jr. School of the Arts, and canceled the 2020 Weston Scholarship Competition Exhibition and Awards Ceremony at the Monterey Museum of Art,” Weston added.

Founded in 2004, the Weston Collective has awarded \$126,000 in scholarships since. The auction closes June 15. For more details, visit thewestoncollective.org/covid19.

Small art, big fundraiser

With their usual operations grounded until the shutdown passes, the Pacific

See **ART** page 20A



Rick Murai's "Clear Lake" is featured in an online auction April 29 benefiting the nonprofit Weston Collective.



Library Corner

It is National Library Week, and there's no better time to reflect on the power of libraries. While most of our doors are physically closed right now, libraries, including yours, are working hard to meet the needs of today and tomorrow.

Our ability to strengthen community resilience has been demonstrated through times of economic disruption and natural disaster. In person or online, via a building or a website, libraries are critically important organizations as we grapple with what comes next.

Libraries strengthen local economies, acting as catalysts for job creation and workforce development, bringing resources directly where they are needed, and serving as hubs for access, navigation, and success.

Libraries are key education partners; whether students are in or out of school, we assist with learning in all formats. As students learn online, schools expand their teaching paths, and families expand their roles, libraries are by their side.

Libraries build communities, improving quality of life, acting as safe spaces, and providing technology access, including during these difficult times, virtual meeting rooms, 24/7 wireless connectivity, and more.

Libraries are a refuge in times of crisis and continue to be so even under our current health guidance. Providing resources to cope with the mental health challenges isolation brings, and enabling everyone to connect in this new world are all part of the mission.

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De Tierra white helps animal groups, Scheid steps up to help clean up

SCHEID FAMILY Wines has been taking the ethanol that's a byproduct of winemaking and making it available to Mee Memorial Hospital in King City to use for sanitizing, according to Kurt Gollnick, who oversees daily operations at the company's winery in Greenfield.

"As part of our winemaking process, we extract alcohol from some wines to make them more approachable," he explained. "When we do that, we produce high-proof ethanol."

Following FDA guidelines, the winery denatured the

Bartolini busy at work. Obviously, there was some pent-up demand — they reported taking 42 orders alone for their famous fried chicken. The menu also included meat lasagna, spaghetti, porchetta, pork belly, fried cauliflower and other popular dishes from the regular menu.

No word on if/when they'll do it again. Keep an eye on labalenacarmel.com for details. Wine and pantry items are also available to go.

boxes for four, with four quiches — choices of Lorraine, spinach, asparagus, or tomato and goat cheese — a quart of vegetarian soup, mixed green salad with balsamic vinaigrette, and four individual desserts — choices of berry tart, lemon tart, three-chocolate cake or passion coconut cake.

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■ Sazon reopens for takeout

Sazón Express Cocina Mexica at 431 Tyler St. recently reopened for take-out, making every day Taco Tuesday. For food options, as well as the lineup of available draft beers from Alvarado Street Brewery, visit sazonmonterey.com. The restaurant is open Tuesday to Sunday from noon to 7 p.m.

■ Rancho Cielo needs help

The hands-on teaching at Drummond Culinary Academy at Rancho Cielo Youth Campus in Salinas has been sidelined by Covid-19, but the nonprofit is seeking donations so it can "continue to feed, house and educate Monterey County young people."

Staff members are calling to check on students, who are continuing to study so they can get their high school diplomas, and employees are also delivering weekly food bags to Rancho Cielo families in need.

The ranch's transitional housing program is full of students who are receiving physical, mental and emotional support from workers onsite. The nonprofit is hoping people will contribute toward its efforts to help at-risk kids learn trades, including how to work in any position in a restaurant, at ranchocieloyc.org.

Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

ethanol and diluted it to 70 percent before handing over 5-gallon containers of it to the hospital "so they could fill spray bottles and use the material for sanitizing surfaces such as door handles, countertops and other surfaces people come in constant contact with," he said. King City P.D. also contacted Gollnick to request some.

"We are happy to help our local agencies in supplying needed ethanol for sanitation purposes," he said, but Scheid has no plans for getting into the business of manufacturing sanitation products.

"We are very good at making wine," he said. We are happy to share the results of that skill with all the local folks as well."

■ Free beer at farmers market

Although everyone is being asked to stay home as much as possible, shopping for fresh produce is still considered "essential," and on Monday afternoon at the Pacific Grove farmers market, customers will be able to cross another item off their lists: beer. And they'll be able to do it for free — with a donation to Meals on Wheels.

Kim and Charles Tope, owners of Pacific Grove Brewing Co., are hosting the beer giveaway in collaboration with the P.G. Chamber of Commerce April 27 from 3 to 6 p.m. Shoppers need to bring their own refillable bottles to take advantage of the offer and will be encouraged to donate money in return, with Meals on Wheels of the Monterey Peninsula receiving 100 percent of the proceeds. The nonprofit has seen a significant uptick in requests for help since the coronavirus shutdown started more than five weeks ago.

The market, organized by Everyone's Harvest, is held at the intersection of Grand and Central avenues on Monday afternoons from 3 to 7 p.m. In order to fulfill their mission of "bringing people and healthy food together," organizers are asking shoppers to honor social-distancing requirements, wear gloves and masks, and keep their market trips brief.

■ La Balena's Sunday experiment

After more than a month of being closed, La Balena on Junipero between Fifth and Sixth opened for takeout during lunch and dinner Sunday, with owners Anna and Emanuele

■ Frannin for the animals

De Tierra Vineyards owners Alix Bosch and Dan McDonnal have released their latest wine, a white blend, and are offering it for a short time at a discount, with part of the proceeds benefiting local animal welfare groups. The Frannin white wine follows last year's debut of the Frannin red, a blend named for their two dogs, who are depicted on the label.

The new wine is 65 percent chardonnay and 35 percent sauvignon blanc, and in a deal that ends April 24, Bosch and McDonnal are selling the Frannin white and red blends for 20 percent off and donating 20 percent of the proceeds to Max's Helping Paws Foundation, which helps pet owners cover veterinary costs.

Order online at dettierra.com and enter the code, FRANNIN, at checkout. Shipping is free on purchases of three or more bottles, and free local delivery and curbside pickup are also available, with the latter offered on weekends from noon to 4 p.m. at the tasting room at Mission and Fifth.

■ Parker Lusseau dinner boxes

Parker Lusseau bakery in Monterey has kept two of its outlets open for takeout during the coronavirus-induced shutdown and last week announced it is selling dinner

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BREATHING

From page 11A

the hospital who are afflicted with Covid-19, an unrivaled contagion, is among the most difficult aspects of treatment for caregivers, Gerrity said. Loved ones are not permitted to be near the afflicted patients.

“Family and friends are typically very much part of any healing plan. At a hospital, visitors tend to fill the void and can give the patient comfort while caregivers are off dealing with other things,” she said. “For a lot of us, it’s very hard to feel like we’re giving our patients enough attention, and filling that void. That can be very sad.”

Something profound

Gerrity and Croft work in the emergency room, the intensive-care units, and throughout the rest of the hospital, depending on where they’re needed most at the time. Some shifts are much busier than others. Some cases leave a lasting impression.

“We’re at every emergency at the hospital, and at some point, you’re going to see something that impacts you in a profound way. Some things are harder to move past than others,” said Gerrity, who worked through the 2009 H1N1 global pandemic, which lasted 19 months and infected 60.8 million people, killing 12,469 in this country, alone.

“I think it’s fair to say that most of us in healthcare — or, at least, a large number of us — probably have some PTSD (post-traumatic stress disorder),” she said. “In the moment, you can’t process it — you’re too busy, too focused. And afterward, it can become very easy to keep pushing it down and not address it. Then, five or 10 years later, maybe it pops up again as something you can’t work through on your own.”

CHOMP offers programs that help employees connect with a crisis counselor, or find a therapist, Gerrity said.

Co-workers also can be a therapeutic outlet.

“One of the things I’ll do after a stressful shift is call one of my buddies, who is a respiratory therapist in my home town,” Croft said. “We talk about what we’re doing, vent a little bit about stressful situations ... we try to get it out, as opposed to holding it in, and help each other relax a little bit more.”

Croft, 32, is married, with two 5-year-old twin daughters. Gerrity, 46, has a husband at home, and in-laws in their 80s. Both say they worry very little about their own safety. They’re thankful that CHOMP has adequate personal protective equipment for them to wear. They have confidence in their training, and the protocols that are in place.

They also try to keep their concerns about contracting the highly contagious virus in logical perspective. But no system is infallible.

“For people in healthcare, I think our biggest fear is that we might unknowingly infect one of our loved ones. That would be dreadful,” Gerrity said.

It’s important to be safe but unhealthy to obsess, Croft says.

“If you start thinking in terms of how many people touched that cereal box at the grocery store before you did, I think you can work yourself into a frenzy,” he said. “There’s only so much you can do, and I feel like I’m doing as much as I can reasonably do. Beyond that, I try not to let it worry me.”

The intensity and stress of treating the sickest people in our society, while maintaining a happy and safe home life, are challenges few people have to endure. For Gerrity and Croft, the rewards of the job make it worthwhile. They view their chosen occupation as a daily privilege.

“I can’t think of anywhere else I’d be,” Gerrity said. “We’re here to help. This is where we are. This is where we should be.”

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CHOMP urges people to go to ER

By KELLY NIX

A MONTEREY Peninsula senior who put off seeking treatment for a serious heart condition because he was afraid of being infected with coronavirus died before he could be properly treated, according to officials at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula who are urging people to seek emergency medical care at the hospital if they need it.

The tragedy highlights what Community Hospital emergency department medical director Casey Grover said is an unfortunate trend on the Peninsula, and in the country, in which patients are hesitant to seek treatment for fear of contracting Covid-19. The hesitancy among some patients to seek emergency care is having devastating repercussions.

“What we are seeing now is an increase in the number of people waiting, and then showing up with more advanced presentations of their illnesses,” Grover told The Pine Cone.

Though fear of getting the virus is certainly understandable, hospital spokeswoman Monica Sciuto said Community Hospital separates coronavirus patients from the rest of its patients.

“People with chronic or other conditions that need acute medical care should not be afraid to come to the hospital and should not delay getting the treatments they need,” Sciuto said.

Grover said the physician who treated the unidentified man with the heart condition said the patient had been experiencing severe chest pains at home for a whole 12

hours before getting help because of “coronavirus concerns.”

“The person was in the process of having a major heart attack and came in with ventricular fibrillation, which is a lethal cardiac rhythm associated with heart attacks,” Grover explained.

While it’s not known for certain if the man would have survived if he had sought help earlier, Grover said doctors would have tried to clear his blocked artery to stop the heart attack.

Emergency room doctors and nurses have also seen several other patients who have delayed getting treatment, only to have more complications and extended hospital stays, Grover said. For example, patients who delayed going to the hospital for severe abdominal pain had to be treated for ruptured appendixes.

The hesitancy by Peninsula residents to use the ER these days is apparent in the hospital’s data.

“In the pre-coronavirus time, we were seeing about 155 patients a day,” Grover said. “Our most recent numbers show we are seeing about 70 to 90 patients a day.”

The hospital also offers eVisits, which allow patients (with phones, tablets or computers) to fill out a short online questionnaire, which is reviewed by a medical professional, who will make a diagnosis and “create a personalized care plan.” The service is free for those with mild respiratory symptoms, including flu, hay fever, allergies and suspected coronavirus. For other common symptoms, eVisits cost \$25 and can be paid with a credit card. Go to montagehealth.org for information.

ART

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ic Grove Art Center announced plans this week for its upcoming Tiny Treasures miniature painting show, which is set to open July 3 at the downtown gallery. The show is a major fundraiser for the nonprofit art center.

Each artist can donate up to three paintings, and entrees will be accepted at the art center between May 13 and June 26.

For artists on lockdown, the show creates an opportunity to get the creative juices flowing — and raise money for a good cause.

“Tiny Treasures is one of our most playful and lively annual fundraisers, and generates income to help us continue to serve the community,” art center president Adrienne Jonson explained.

Paintings can be no larger than 8 inches by 10 inches, including a frame, and no deeper than 7 inches. Each piece must be ready to hang, with hooks or wires attached.

Raffle tickets will be sold for \$5 each, and people can place as many as they’d like in the boxes placed under each painting. Tickets will go on sale when the show opens July 3. The winners will be chosen after the show ends Aug. 28, and need not be present. For more information, call (831) 375-2208.

RENTALS

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officers in cities and the county, and they have also received a high volume of complaints about short-term rentals.”

Most of the alleged offenders are in Carmel, Carmel Highlands, Carmel Valley, Pacific Grove, Pebble Beach and other popular vacation areas on the Peninsula. Some of the property owners and operators have responded to inquiries from the DA’s office, while others have yet to reply.

“We will follow up, and depending on what the response is, we would handle it

in a variety of ways,” Hickok said. “There are civil and criminal penalties for violating the order, and for aiding and abetting, and there are civil penalties for advertising violations, so we have a number of ways we could enforce the order.”

According to the district attorney’s office, short-term lodging can be used by the homeless, healthcare workers and other employees of essential businesses and essential government functions, Monterey County residents who need to isolate or quarantine themselves, Monterey County residents who must leave their homes because someone there is ill or at high risk for illness, and people who are displaced for reasons of personal safety.



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Local alumni are forced to leave it all on the field way too soon

WE ONLY get one shot at being young, and an unfortunate casualty of the pandemic is a lost season for alumni of Carmel, Santa Catalina and Stevenson high schools who were playing intercollegiate athletics this spring.

The good news is that on March 31, the NCAA granted

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

spring athletes an additional year of eligibility due to the coronavirus outbreak that truncated their seasons.

The NCAA's council left it up to each university to determine how much scholarship aid to offer athletes who were participating in what would otherwise have been their final season of intercollegiate eligibility.

Here's a rundown of how some of our local alumni were doing as college athletes when the 2020 season ended due to Covid-19 dangers.

Marissa Bruno (Santa Catalina, 2016) was the best softball player at Portland State University this season with a .384 batting average, a 1.135 OPS (on-base plus slugging) percentage, a .464 on-base percentage, 28 hits, eight doubles, eight walks, and four stolen bases — all team highs. She started all of the team's 24 games in her senior year, during which she committed just one error in 32 chances in the outfield.

Carter Hayes (Carmel, 2016) started all 17 games this year for the University of the Pacific baseball team, batting .321 with 17 hits (fourth best on the squad), seven RBIs, 14 runs, and a .528 slugging percentage (fifth on the team). Hayes was a senior infielder for the Tigers.

Jensen Main (Stevenson, 2016) led the Sacramento State softball team with 13 appearances (and nine starts) when her senior year was suspended. Main was second on the team in innings played (51) and earned-run average (2.75).

Mikayla Rivera (Santa Catalina, 2017), another Sacramento State athlete, won the Big Sky Indoor Track Championships in the 400 meters (time 54.11 seconds), finished second in the 200 (24.11, third-fastest in school history), and ran a leg on the team's victorious 1,600-meter relay team.

Brad Powers (Stevenson, 2016) was the starting first baseman in his senior year at Towson University in Maryland, he led the team and ranked third in his league with 16 RBIs when his season ended after 15 games.

Ellie Yamashita (Stevenson, 2019) appeared in 15 games during her freshman season at Cal Poly, where she was listed as an infielder. Yamashita was mostly used as a designated runner, scoring five runs. She had one plate appearance for the Mustangs.

Laurel Wong (Santa Catalina, 2019), who won the California state championship in the pole vault in 2018 as a high school junior, had a season-best vault of 12 feet, 8 inches for Stanford at the Don Kirby Invitational in Al-

buquerque on Feb. 13. Wong was in her freshman season with the Cardinal and competed in only four meets this year (all indoor).

Dominique Seva'aetasi (Stevenson, 2016) was in her senior year at Academy of Art University, where she batted .262 in 15 games (all starts), with a .381 slugging percentage, and a team-best 10 runs scored. She also stole six bases in seven attempts.

Lauren Salvati (Carmel, 2016) had a .350 on-base percentage and led the team with six walks in her senior year at Cal Lutheran, where the softball team played 12 games before the season was suspended. She had a .964 fielding percentage in the outfield.

Taylor Balestrieri-Jennings (Stevenson, 2017) appeared in three games at Westmont College in Santa Barbara. He had two official at-bats and got one hit, during which he knocked in a run, and subsequently scored. He was hit by a pitch in another plate appearance.

Christian Stapleton (Carmel, 2018), a first baseman and outfielder, played 19 games at the College of San Mateo, batting .268, with three doubles, two home runs, and 10 RBIs. He had a .417 on-base percentage in his sophomore season.

Martin Gutierrez (Stevenson, 2019) played in two varsity tournaments this spring for Cornell University, recording rounds of 75-77-74 in a home meet at Cornell's Robert Trent Jones Golf Course, and shooting 71-75 at

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Carmel graduate Carter Hayes (right) batted .321 as a senior at University of Pacific. Marissa Bruno, (far right) a Catalina graduate, led Portland State with a .384 batting average and a 1.135 OPS as a senior.

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DRUMMER

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health. "The past few days have brought new peace — time to rest, to savor our conversations, to feel relief, and to start to prepare for the road ahead," she said. "The staff can hardly believe the improvements he's made."

Audrey, too, realizes her dad has a long road back to recovery. "Rehabilitation is only just beginning," she explained. "There is much to learn — to walk again, to build up strength."

If you're interested in sending Andy a message, Audrey suggested sending him a free card through CHOMP's Cheer Card program (chomp.org/patients-visitors). "His name is enough to identify him — he may be moved to different rooms, so you don't need to specify room number," she added.



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Editorial

Moreno needs help

MONTEREY COUNTY Health Officer Edward Moreno makes \$350,000 a year, so, pardon us, but we don't think it's too much to ask that he should work long hours, pay a lot of attention to detail, be an expert in public health and do an exemplary job in every way — including explaining to the people of the county what he's up to.

One thing he's really good at is issuing orders. Among other things, he has shut down most restaurants, retail stores, offices and service businesses, prohibited use of playgrounds and golf courses, sent all the kids home from school, made it almost impossible to sell a home, told everyone they can't go out except for "essential purposes," brought routine medical procedures to a halt, banned "public and private" gatherings, and required gardeners and construction workers to put down their tools. He's also good at copying authentic-sounding boilerplate about "mitigating the rate of transmission of Covid-19," "imposing social distancing requirements" and "preventing the health care system from being overwhelmed."

But Moreno just isn't good at explaining to the public why it's necessary for them to sacrifice so much — especially when the facts on the ground are proving that his oft-repeated dire predictions about sickness, hospitalizations and deaths in Monterey County on a massive scale have not even come close to being true.

You may recall our editorial last week in which we recounted Moreno's April 14 prediction to the board of supervisors that coronavirus cases in the county would peak in early June at the colossal number of 33,000, and that more than 900 of those people would be in the hospital at the same time, overwhelming our hospitals' capacity to care for them. Absent some utterly unknown *force majeure*, those predictions are obviously not going to come anywhere close to being true. Yet the steps to mitigate them are in full force, which means driving tens of thousands of Monterey County residents out of their jobs, putting many thousands of local businesses in dire financial straits, forcing the cancellation of beloved and longstanding cultural events, causing a collapse of government tax revenues, and curtailing everyone's constitutional rights to free speech and association. Is it too much to ask that such drastic steps be taken only for extremely urgent reasons?

Moreno insists he has such reasons but does not explain — except by using the most bureaucratic platitudes — what they are.

The public deserves to know specifically why they are being asked to live under such draconian measures. If more than 30,000 people in Monterey County will get the virus in the next six weeks, how will they get it? What's the evidence that supports the conclusion that the peak is still weeks away? How many lives will be saved by the shelter-in-place order? Where are new infections occurring right now, and what's being done to keep them from spreading? What long-term damage is being done to the local economy? How many workers will lose their jobs? How many businesses will close for good? What are the health consequences of an extended shutdown order? None of those questions have even come close to being answered.

When he speaks to the media, Moreno comes across as awkward and uncertain of himself, often answering questions by saying, "I don't have that data in front of me." Sometimes even extremely clever people have trouble responding to questions on their feet. If that is his problem, he needs a very capable deputy — an epidemiologist — whose full-time job is to respond to inquiries from the media and the public.

Otherwise, the extreme dearth of information that the people of Monterey County are suffering under will only lead to dissent and even civil disobedience. It also means the public, lacking information about what's going on in their communities, will be unable to protect themselves from even the simplest threats on the streets around them.

Dr. Deborah Birx said it best this week at one of the White House briefings. As parts of the country move from mitigating widespread coronavirus outbreaks to containing isolated ones, Birx first observed that "an informed community and a knowledgeable community is a protected community." And to make that happen, she said the public has to "make sure all of your state and local governments have their cases up, visible to the community, so they can make decisions and understand where the virus is in their community and understand how to tackle it. This will be absolutely critical."

Unfortunately, the exact opposite is happening here. Instead of willingly accepting the restrictions of today to help this community achieve a healthy and foreseeable tomorrow, the people of Monterey County are being forced to stumble dumbly through a present they do not understand into a future that is a complete mystery.

BEST of BATES



"Honeymoon's over."

Letters to the Editor

Adams vouches for Moreno

Dear Editor,

I enjoy reading The Pine Cone very much and rely on it to help me in my work as Monterey County's 5th District Supervisor. It is your paper and you have the right to print whatever you want. However, I feel compelled to respond to your most recent editorial excoriating Monterey County's Health Officer Dr. Edward Moreno and the wisdom of the Board's approach to lessen the impact of this pandemic.

Dr. Moreno's credentials include his undergraduate degree from Notre Dame University, his Master's Degree in Public Health from CSU Fresno, and his Medical Degree from UC San Francisco. He did his residency in Pediatrics at Children's Hospital in Los Angeles. He has served as the President of the Board of the California Conference of Local Health Officers and as Chair of the California Scientific Guidance Panel as a gubernatorial appointee of Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger. He is an Associate Professor at UCSF.

Dr. Moreno's responsibilities are described in California Health and Safety Code, Division 105, Communicable Disease Prevention and Control, Part 1, Chapter 3, 120175, the Functions and Duties of Local Health Officers. It states that the County Health Officer "knowing or having reason to believe that any case of the diseases made reportable by regulation of

the department, or any other contagious, infectious or communicable disease exists, or has recently existed, within the territory under his or her jurisdiction, shall take measures as may be necessary to prevent the spread of the disease or occurrence of additional cases."

As far as the Board of Supervisors being "clueless", we are working in uncharted territory. However, in this instance the Board is both following the law and doing its job. Tough questions are asked every day of Dr. Moreno, the head of the Office of Emergency Services, the head of Natividad Hospital, the Budget Director, the Director of Health, the County Administrative Officer and every other person in county leadership who has a role in this pandemic nightmare we are all experiencing. In addition, Dr. Moreno is working with other Health Officers around the state daily to find consistent ways to navigate. To a person, the primary focus is the health and safety of the residents of Monterey County.

Dr. Moreno has the heavy responsibility for navigating the 435,000 residents of Monterey County through this storm. While we may not agree with every aspect of the Shelter In Place Order he is charged with developing and implementing, I know he and the Board of Supervisors take this responsibility seriously. We weigh every decision carefully, informed by local, state and national data. The weight of this pandemic rests on all our shoulders and it is not an easy to burden to carry.

Mary L. Adams,
Board of Supervisors, 5th District

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Author published first kids' book at 62 — and is not stopping

“WHERE ARE the books for disabled children?” asked Linda Kurtz Kingsley, a special needs teacher, more than 10 years ago. When she couldn't find any, she decided to write them herself. In 2008, her first children's book was published.

“Signs of Jays” tells the true story of a group of her deaf students who helped rehabilitate a nest of motherless chicks in their Philadelphia classroom. Kingsley was 62 years old when the book was printed.

Today, at 73, the Monterey resident — ensconced in a quaint Spanish home overlooking the bay — has penned and illustrated three children's books and doesn't plan to stop there. “I've got three projects in the works,” she said, sipping a cup of

a successful economist. Their first child, Jesse, now 43, works as a professional puppeteer in Hollywood. Vanessa (“Sasha”), their second child, works locally as a college advisor.

While adjusting to the rigors and demands of family life, Kingsley was recruited to a new program through the Community College of Philadelphia. It allowed deaf high school graduates to attend college by partnering with a translator — like Kingsley — who would go to classes with them, interpreting lectures and offering tutorial support.

Kingsley enjoyed the work and was especially impressed with how courageous her students were to take on such a challenge. “To achieve what they did was inspiring for anyone, let alone if you happened to be disabled,” she said.

Life changed, though, in 1982, when Montgomery accepted a job in Monterey. The family moved west, and Kingsley began working at Alisal High School as a resource specialist, assisting special needs students. That's when she noticed that she was having some special challenges of her own.

“I was getting tired easily and having difficulties picking up and carrying things between classes. I really needed more time.” Kingsley was diagnosed with inflammatory arthritis. She tried to work out the issues with the school, but ultimately chose to retire at 62.

It was a difficult time, Kingsley recalled, but it wasn't without its lessons. She said battling inflammatory arthritis deepened her empathy with the physically challenged, allowing her to experience what it's like not to be able to do things that most people take for granted, such as lifting something off the ground or running up a flight of stairs. “Having a disability

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Great Lives

By ANTHONY CHIORAZZI

herbal tea in her office. “Each one of them is different, but most touch on the lives of the disabled.”

Writing about the disabled, Kingsley mused, might be something that her life has directly — and unexpectedly — prepared her for.

Inspirational

Her interest in the “differently abled” began in 1970 after she completed her bachelor's degree in illustration (and later a master's degree in art education) from the Philadelphia College of Art and took a job with the Pennsylvania School for the Deaf as a middle-school teacher.

For three years, she taught art using various mediums, including clay, watercolor, and charcoal. And she took the opportunity to learn sign language, while using art as a vehicle to help her students learn and exercise their own language skills.

By 1971, Kingsley was married to her husband of nearly 49 years, Montgomery,



PHOTO/ANTHONY CHIORAZZI

Linda Kurtz Kingsley draws on her experiences with special needs kids and her own arthritis to write books for youngsters whose lives are different than their friends'.

Locked doors no barrier to creativity

THE DOORS of the Carmel Art Association were locked on March 16 for the first time in the history of one of the oldest operating nonprofit artist co-ops in the United States. Didn't happen during the Great Depression. Didn't happen during World War II. It took a lethal pandemic and an international “shelter-in-place” strategy to close the place down.

All but two employees have been laid off. Those still on the job are limited to 10 hours a week, and they aren't allowed to be in the gallery at the same time.

‘Progressive path’

Such bleak circumstances might inspire some dark paintings from the CAA's 95 artist members, but the outlook is remarkably sunny among the association's 15 board members (all working artists, themselves), who see an opportunity to map a progressive path forward for the 93-year-old gallery.

“This pandemic has pushed us to expand our thinking, our marketing practices, our imaginations, and our connections with

our community and the world at large,” said Sally Aberg, who spent much of her professional career in the nonprofit world before becoming CAA's gallery manager

Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

eight years ago. “We're greatly enriching our website with new artwork, and we're reaching out through social media avenues more than ever before.”

The new social media push is the dream of 2019 board president Jennifer Anderson, who in recent weeks has collaborated with newly seated president Lilli-anne Price to form the association's first-ever social media and website committee, which also includes artists Chloe Wilson and Gael Donovan.

“As president last year, I really wanted to increase the online presence of our organization, and now we are going full tilt,” Anderson said. “When this health crisis shut everything down, the only way to connect with the public was virtually. It

just makes sense to up our game and increase our online presence, make it more engaging. This is our time to act.”

The future

Wilson, just 32, is the second-youngest member of the Carmel Art Association, and one of the few who aren't yet, at the very least, AARP-eligible.

“There are just so many things we can do with social media and the internet, and it's exciting to brainstorm and come up with ways to put those things to the best use,” Wilson said.

“We already have a very big following, and right now everybody's stuck at home, living vicariously through the internet,” she added. “It's kind of the perfect moment to grow that.”

The new initiatives are in their early stages, but the committee already has taken multiple proactive steps.

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Lilli-anne Price, 2020 board president, inside the CAA building, which has been closed to the public since March 16.

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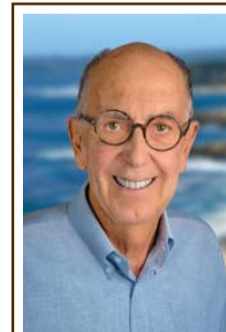
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And you thought the Hatton Canyon freeway was an uphill climb

READER ADAM Weiland of the Pacific Grove Heritage Society sent me a photo of a vintage poster that had been posted to a website. It advertised a “Mass Meeting at Manzanita Hall at Eight O’Clock, January 4th, 1924.” The subject was “A Road between Pacific Grove and Carmel-by-the-Sea.” Attendees were encouraged to “Come and Listen to the Plan, The Arguments – Then Speak Your Mind.” Weiland asked if I could clarify what Manzanita Hall was, as well as the “road.” He may have known Holman Highway did not open until 1930.

In short, Manzanita Hall, located on the southwest corner of Mission and Ocean, was the main meeting hall in Carmel for the first quarter of the 20th century. I’ll tell its story in a later column. Here we will deal with the “road.”

Wilford Rensselaer Holman (1884-1981) came to Pacific Grove when he was just 4. His father opened a dry goods store in 1891, and W.R. and his brother, Clarence, took it over in 1905. Clarence, who moved to Aromas in 1909, gave W.R. his share in the business. Holman expanded it with outlets in Monterey and on Ocean Avenue in Carmel.

Brass band

When the Pacific Grove Hotel was razed in 1917, Holman saw an opportunity and, before the block where it has stood could be subdivided, he bought it. In 1924, he opened a two-story department store that was the largest store between Los Angeles and San Francisco.

To reach Holman’s new store in Pacific Grove, however, the growing communities in Carmel, the Highlands and Big Sur had to go over the hill into Monterey, then take Lighthouse Avenue around to P.G. So, while his new store was under construction, he began circulating a petition for the county to build a direct road from Carmel to Pacific Grove through the still mostly unpopulated Del Monte Forest.



Workman in 1929-30 building a new road – now known as the Holman Highway – to shorten the distance between Carmel and Pacific Grove.



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The idea was more popular in Pacific Grove than Carmel. Pine Cone publisher W.L. Overstreet was president of Carmel’s chamber of commerce, which unanimously passed a resolution to the county opposed to the road. He published it on the front page of the Nov. 24, 1923, paper. But he also gave Holman more than two columns on the second page to make his best case.

The county board of supervisors was scheduled to meet Jan. 7 on the matter. At the Jan. 2, 1924, meeting of Carmel’s town trustees, Mayor Perry Newberry, in defiance of the chamber, moved to endorse the new road as “a good thing for Carmel.” The measure passed 3-1, with Helen Parkes abstaining, and a “No” vote from C.O. Gould, who argued the road was unneeded, and “the money that this road would cost (estimated at \$30,000 to \$35,000) might better be spent to maintain and restore the present road between Carmel and Monterey.”

That was the background for the Jan. 4 meeting at Manzanita Hall, which was called to order by Newberry. The Jan. 12 Pine Cone reported the meeting was “attended by about 50 Grovites and 50 Carmelites, developed plenty of enthusiasm

for the project from a Pacific Grove standpoint but very little on the part of Carmel, and adjourned without the passing of a resolution for or against the proposal.”

Of the supervisors’ meeting later that month, Overstreet reported, “Three hundred and fifty Grove residents, led by a brass band, enthusiastically invaded the courthouse. There were four Carmel residents present and a handful of Monterey and Del Monte people.” The supervisors indicated they favored Holman’s road, but because the county’s budget was fully allotted, it would have to be considered for next year’s. A committee was assigned to research the matter.

The matter came back to the county board in July 1924 and was defeated by a vote of 3-2. The Pine Cone reported, that the majority of the board “did not care to assume the responsibility and expense incident to establishing and maintaining a right of way.”

Morse was opposed

Holman did not give up, however. In 1928, California passed a law providing for bonds to fund road improvements. In April, at Holman’s urging, the Pacific Grove council unanimously voted for a direct road through Del Monte Forest to Carmel. S.F.B. Morse vowed to fight it, but if it was rerouted through the upper forest, and without access to Del Monte, he would support it with donated land. After meeting with the county, it was agreed, and the new road was included within a \$2 billion highway bond measure that went to the coun-

ty electorate in November. Also included were improvements to highways between Monterey and Salinas and Monterey and Castroville.

Again, Newberry supported the road and the bond measure, this time as editor of The Pine Cone. The bond passed with more than a thousand votes over the required two-thirds majority. Once approved, engineers had to negotiate several

History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

challenges on the Carmel-Pacific Grove route. In addition to the steep grade, Carmel did not want it coming to the city, and the Army did not want it taking any of its Presidio property.

Newberry liked that the road would stop at the crest of Carmel hill. He was less happy that Carmel had no say in the decision to lower the crest by 30 feet. He bemoaned the loss of the “Devil’s Elbow,” as the steep grade was known, “over which Junipero Serra plodded many a time.”

Construction on the Carmel-Pacific Grove road began in June 1929 and it opened for traffic, albeit with a gravel surface in November 1930. A bus route between the two cities also began that month. The road was paved a year later. As for the naming, on January 19, 1972, a resolution approved by the state Legislature named “that portion of State Highway Route 68 from Pacific Grove to the top of Carmel Hill, the W.R. Holman Highway.”

SPORTS

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tournaments in his junior year at Babson College in Wellesley, Mass., with a season-best third-place overall finish at the NEIGA Championship, where she shot 73-75 for a two-day score of 148. Wilson also played in the Williams Invitational (75-77 for 152), the Royal Lakes-Ogelthorpe Invitational (77-74 for 151), and the Saratoga National Invitational (75-77 for 152).

Nick Combs (Carmel, 2016) was a senior on the tennis roster at St. Mary’s University, but was injured Feb. 29 in the opening set of his first competition, a doubles match against UC Santa Cruz. It was his only appearance of the season.

Henri Pratt (Stevenson, 2017) only got into one game this spring at Bates College in Lewiston, Maine, where he was an infielder. Pratt did not come to the plate.

Coco Chai (Santa Catalina, 2018) was a sophomore on the golf team at Yale University, where she only played in one spring-season event before the schedule was canceled. Chai shot 76-76-79 March 10-11 at the Dennis Thompson Invitational on the par-72 Kane’ohe Klipper Golf Course near Honolulu.

High school, too

The high school sports season for the Pacific Coast Athletic League was officially canceled on April 6 (after a suspension of play in all sports on March 13) by a unanimous vote of the league’s board man-

agers.

The action is a direct result of the Covid-19 virus and came as 26 of the 34 league schools found out they would not have students on campus for the remainder of the school year, PCAL Commissioner Tim McCarthy wrote in a media release.

The remaining eight schools have closed campuses until May 4 at the earliest, and are instructing their students by distance learning, he said.

“All of our league schools and the league are concerned for the well-being of their students, their families, and their school communities,” McCarthy said. “We feel very badly for the student-athletes, especially those seniors who are missing their final season of high school sports.”

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CAA

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Carmel Art Association now has a presence on the popular Instagram social media platform, where artists are profiled weekly, along with their artwork and personal stories.

“Our members seem to be very excited about the more aggressive online approach,” said Price, the new board president. “I just saw Carol Chapman, one of our longtime members, and she was like, ‘The young people need to tow us along!’”

One of the first to embrace that new opportunity was Alicia Meheen, another of the association’s senior members.

“Alicia was our first artist to be featured post-closure on Instagram,” Aberg said. “This is a person who I don’t think was

even using email eight years ago, when I first came on as gallery manager, but she sent us some images and a beautifully written story, and it went up on Easter Sunday. To me, she was thinking way outside the box and stepping out of her comfort zone.”

Wilson also came up with her version of the internet’s “Throwback Thursday,” which debuted this week, showcasing one of CAA’s late artists, along with an image of a piece of that artist’s work.

Most of the Instagram content also will be posted on CAA’s Facebook page, along with posts from current artists — news, personal stories, images of their newest creations, etc.

The organization also will be increasing its visibility on YouTube, posting multiple types of videos.

“We’re trying to make everything very user-friendly so the viewers can really get to know our artists,” Price said. “They’re

posting videos of themselves painting in their studios, talking about their work, discussing where the inspiration came from ... that type of thing. It really personalizes the artists and what they’re working on.”

A virtual gallery

The association’s website is also in transition, becoming more of a virtual gallery while the famous brick-and-mortar building is locked up and unavailable to visitors. Aberg has the ability to direct a client to, for example, all of the available work by one specific artist, or give a client a virtual tour of the gallery and the artwork that is on display.

The association’s popular monthly receptions, where hundreds of people visit the gallery, see the newest work, and meet the artists, were canceled for April and May, but the artwork is being virtually showcased, and interactive “Meet the Artist” online events are under construction.

Meanwhile, there are bills to pay, but the CAA also has good news on that front. Several longtime clients have made generous donations to the association since the shelter-in-place shutdown, and many asso-

ciate members have renewed their memberships — even memberships that had not yet expired, in some cases. Best of all, online art sales have been remarkably brisk.

“For the first two weeks, things were very quiet,” Aberg said. “But since about March 27, our sales have actually been awesome, and a lot of those sales seem to be coming from our enriched website and ramped-up social media pages. Not a day has gone by that I haven’t found my mailbox full of sales inquiries.”

Aberg also reminds clients that they can always make an offer on a CAA artwork, and they can avail themselves of the association’s four-payment, no-interest installment plan. A method to purchase art on the website in the planning stages.

The artwork, special features, and additional information about the Carmel Art Association can be found at carmelart.org, on Instagram via [@carmelartassociation](https://www.instagram.com/carmelartassociation), at [facebook.com/carmelartassociation](https://www.facebook.com/carmelartassociation), or by searching for Carmel Art Association on [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com).

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CORVETTE

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her male passenger, who had to be extricated, were injured.

Keller now faces one misdemeanor charge of reckless driving in the accident which totaled her 2014 Corvette. Four other motorists reported minor pain, police said.

“Ashley Nicole Keller did unlawfully drive a vehicle upon a street and highway in willful and wanton disregard for the safety of persons and property,” the complaint, filed March 28 by deputy district attorney Todd Hornik, alleges.

Keller, who court records show had two minor traffic offenses in 2015 and 2016, faces up to 90 days in jail and \$1,000 in fines, if convicted.

No attorney information for Keller was listed on the court’s website. The Pacific Grove Police Department refused to identify Keller, whose name was only made public when the criminal complaint was

filed.

Despite the violent crash, police opted not to ticket her.

In looking into the accident, The Pine Cone discovered numerous other serious collisions in Pacific Grove where drivers were at fault but for which, for some reason, officers didn’t cite them.

In response, the police department conducted an internal audit to find how many of its officers had taken a traffic collision investigation class that would authorize them to ticket drivers.

Police department spokeswoman Shayla Hoffman told The Pine Cone in March that all but one officer had taken the California course, but that he would complete it “once trainings have resumed after Covid-19.”

In trying to explain why officers didn’t cite Keller and drivers in other serious crashes — including a woman who in January 2019 crashed her SUV into Pacific Grove Hardware after running a stop sign and striking another vehicle with children inside — the police department said officers merely use their own discretion in deciding whether to ticket someone.

KINGSLEY

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forced me to be creative. You have to think of alternative ways to do the same thing,” she said. “I’m thankful I’m an artist.”

Kingsley said working with the disabled impressed upon her the need to write about them in a way that recognizes their challenges, yet also shows them as fully functioning in the non-disabled world.

“Like anyone else, the disabled want to be thought of as engaged and contributing members of society,” she said.

And Kingsley said they have every right to feel that way. Her former students have gone on to become successful teachers, artists and business leaders. “There are few things today that the disabled can’t do,” she

said.

She pulled up the file of “Vista Verde Blues,” her new young adult novel about Lupe, a girl living in Salinas who’s confined to a wheelchair, and the conversation turned to Kingsley’s late-in-life success as a writer.

Her advice for aspiring authors — of all ages — is first, write what you know.

She said that the material for her books came primarily from her teaching experience. Second, she insisted, be tenacious.

“Don’t give up. It took me 10 years to get my first children’s book published. I kept sending it out, and if I got feedback, I made changes and quickly got the book back out there.”

And finally, she added, gazing once more out her office window at the live oaks and the blue sky beyond, “It’s never too late to fulfill your dreams.”

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LETTERS

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Competence questioned

Dear Editor,

I read with interest both the article last week on Edward Moreno's projections as well as your paper's editorial comment. I did note that Moreno somewhat qualified his comments by indicating that for smaller areas like Monterey County, "the information might not be as reliable."

So, in the interests of fairness, Moreno's qualifying comments might have been under appreciated, and the supervisors and your reporter might have also overreacted.

Nonetheless, it is worrisome that a health officer should not have evaluated the model and its source better. If his presentation caused the reaction it did, his competence to hold the position he has should be questioned.

He certainly seems to be lacking in the ability to analyze public health data, as well as present it in an appropriate fashion.

As a physician, trauma surgeon, past hospital chief medical officer, and graduate

of UCSF's vascular fellowship program, I am disappointed in Moreno's performance.

Perhaps he should listen to my medical school classmate, Dr. Anthony Fauci, a little more, to learn how to better inform the public about sensitive issues.

Bruce G. Wilbur, M.D., Monterey

Know-nothing mindset

Dear Editor,

Now the Monterey County D.A. wants to prosecute gardeners for violating shelter in place guidelines. This seems to stem from the know-nothing science mindset firmly entrenched in the county.

Clifford Mass (University of Washington meteorology) recently reviewed the notion that the outdoors is dangerous for virus transmission: "After searching through the literature and talking to a number of doctors and researchers, I could not find a single paper suggesting significant outdoor transmission of Covid-19 or any coronavirus. But there is a huge literature and long historical experience suggesting that outside air is immensely safer than indoor air within constrained spaces."

I wave to home gardeners, now tagged with the damning "non-essential" by the

county, at a respectful distance as I walk through the crisp spring air. Otherwise, they just go on their way to make the neighborhood beautiful. What's the problem? Why does the county want to add them to the unemployment rolls (or worse, arrest them) when there are already so many out of work?

Looking at the same Pine Cone issue, the county apparently believes we are in the midst of the plague itself. According to its bizarre model of reality there should be hundreds of hospitalizations from the Coronavirus now, growing to 1,000 in a few weeks — a number that does not jibe with the county's own published data showing much lower numbers.

We need more fresh air and flower gardens right now. People from the county should get out more — they might learn something about health.

Thomas F. Lee, Monterey

Rescind shelter in place

Dear Editor,

Enough already! Just because the Monterey County Board of Supervisors followed all the other political lemmings into an across-the-board shelter-in-place dictate does not mean that they should continue. This is a brain-dead solution taken as a substitute for a scientific, logical analysis and action. Even primitive cultures were smart enough to quarantine the sick only; lepers were isolated from the community versus isolating the community itself. Facts are now surfacing that this virus is dangerous but not nearly as bad as the soothsayers predicted. Action taken due to bad data and bad models is myopic, especially when the consequences are so pervasive and dire.

How many businesses have to fail, how many jobs are to be lost, or how much grief and aggravation has to be created before the obvious action is to be taken?

The board should immediately rescind the isolation order and let us get back to work and play. Focus on the areas and the population where the problem exists, provide some simple guidelines to minimize the risks, and trust the people to do what makes sense. Failure to do so gives adequate justification for a recall of those who voted for it and continue to vote for it.

Michael Addison, Carmel

Heart in the right place

Dear Editor,

When the pandemic has abated, will Ed Moreno's predictions and edicts be reviewed for accuracy, and for the effects on the local economy, as well as on our public health? And if his predictions are found to have been completely erroneous — and the deleterious effects on the finances of our people found to be severe — will he be fired? I hope so, but probably not. There will be the usual gaggle of fools who will argue that he is a good man for the job, because his heart was in the right place. Intentions are everything, reality only a passing experience.

Alex McPherson, U.C. Irvine

Stick with it

Dear Editor,

It's tempting to see the relatively low

numbers of infections in Monterey County as a sign that perhaps the risk of Covid has been overblown and we should just go back to normal. The fact is, we have no idea how many people are walking around with a Covid infection and therefore are flying blind when it comes to this pandemic.

An antibody test study of 3,300 individuals in Santa Clara county suggests that the infection rate is 50-80 times higher than the known infection rate. The difference comes from the persistent lack of available testing, but also from the fact that many carriers show only mild symptoms or none at all, so they see no reason to get tested, yet they are still able to infect others.

If we apply that metric to Monterey County, we would land at about 6,800-10,800 cases, right in the range of what Monterey County's Health Officer, Edward Moreno, estimates. The only reason our rates are not growing exponentially is the relatively strict adherence to social distancing that county residents have been practicing. Let's stick with it and ease out of it only when the accompanying testing and contact tracing is truly available.

Vinz Koller, Carmel

Stop the sarcasm

Dear Editor,

Although I very much appreciate and am immediately drawn to your new bulletins regarding Covid-19 in our area, I can't say I feel the same about the sarcastic edge in your messages, directed toward the county health department and its director, Edward Moreno.

It seems to me that this pandemic crisis is bad enough and hard enough for us all to deal with. Do we really need a sarcastic zinger to be included in the new case updates we all need? Undoubtedly, there is a good reason that the details in these updates have not been included, possibly that family members have not been notified or specific names might set off a panic in a particular neighborhood. Who knows? It's enough to know the number of cases that have been recently reported and the general areas of infection.

Robin Sawyer, Carmel Valley

Sequestering too harsh

Dear Editor,

Last week I wrote to the full board of supervisors and laid out a case for revoking the overly harsh sequestering of so many hardworking people in favor of more voluntary measures.

After reading The Pine Cone, I know why I did not get as much as an acknowledgment from any supervisor.

Based on your reporting, we either have the dumbest board of supervisors in America or they and Ed Moreno are heavily invested in the realization of an apocalypse. Either way, it amounts, in my opinion, to bureaucratic malpractice.

I think that any reader of this letter probably has an IQ higher than the entire board of supervisors combined, because the reader would surely have asked questions and challenged the reasoning behind Moreno's continued imposition of severe

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restrictions on 484,000 people, imperiling the livelihoods, if not the lives, of tens of thousands, many of whom want to work and can work safely.

Not that we should abandon caution and downplay the seriousness of Covid-19, but poverty kills too.

Moreno was quoted as saying his model was “based” on Monterey County’s population and demographics, but was intended for “a large city with a high burden of disease” but when applied to “areas like Monterey County, the information might not be as reliable.” In others words, it was flawed. And Moreno knew it. Did the board know, too? Either way, why do they continue to give him their blessing?

Joe Tarantino, Carmel

Always a bright spot

Dear Editor,

Once again you have gotten to the point with an excellent editorial. I, as well as many others in this wonderful county are questioning the supervisors’ actions in regards to having appointed Edward Moreno as the tsar of public and private closures.

Inevitably, positions of authority keep people from using common sense. Continue the social separation but get people back outside in the fresh air, moving and exerting themselves by moving and exercising.

Thanks for the common sense. You’re always a bright spot in the week.

Ron Frudden, Carmel Valley

Terminate immediately

Dear Editor,

I recommend that we terminate quarantine immediately. Let the coronavirus run its course within the population.

The pediatric population is not at significant risk due to most infections in that group being very mild with almost no mortality or morbidity (open the schools). The older age groups of 65-plus are most vulnerable and they should take measures to limit exposure.

Covid-19 will likely be a rolling infection phenomena that will unfold over many years in the future. We cannot shut down economy and risk societal collapse with an unending quarantine. There is a significant segment of population who will not take appropriate anti-infective measures no matter the consequences.

David Standley, Ph.D., Carmel

VWA wasn’t in favor

Dear Editor,

Last week’s Pine Cone reported that the Ventana Wilderness Alliance endorsed a blanket closure of the Los Padres National Forest Monterey Ranger District. This is incorrect. VWA understands and supports a temporary closure of dispersed car-camping, which potentially leads to crowded, unsafe conditions for residents and visitors alike. However, our organization advocated for a measured approach that would have allowed local residents to continue practicing safe social distancing along at least some backcountry trails. The loss of access to 313,000 acres of public lands could have been avoided with targeted education and enforcement and is symptomatic of a grossly underfunded U.S. Forest Service. Diminished access to nature at a time when we need it most is a deeply unfortunate loss for our community.

Mike Splain, Ventana Wilderness Alliance

A model of reporting

Dear Editor,

The April 17 Pine Cone is a keepsake. It is a model of how to report the news: with facts, statistics, and reason. A weekly small-town newspaper looked at our officials’ gullible conclusions and policies and found the truth elsewhere, in the actual numbers. It’s that type of journalism so many of us long for these days.

I’m referring to the cover story last week on the coronavirus and the exaggerated predictions made by our county health officer, Edward Moreno. Even more frightening is that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors embraced the data without question and enacted policies damaging to the fabric of our way of life and local

economy.

The predictions, adopted from the University of Pennsylvania, were based on demographics of a big city. Compared with actual cases, they are off by hundreds and thousands. Our hospitals are not overwhelmed. Being over-prepared is fine, but the risk of devastation should be weighed as well.

The Pine Cone editorial bravely chastised the decision makers. Has there ever been a civic decision more impactful than our county-wide shelter in place? Even if the policy were appropriate, the extent of it is not. Carmel is a myriad of small businesses. How many will be eclipsed? How necessary was the havoc, the fear, the helplessness among our proprietors?

Thank you, Carmel Pine Cone, for your bold truth telling.

Lynn Pigott, Pebble Beach

Keep parks open

Dear Editor,

I implore public leadership to keep public lands (federal, state, county and municipal) open to public use during the Covid-19 crisis. There are millions of healthy residents who desperately need somewhere to hike and be outside. What better option than public land? There is plenty of space to maintain physical distancing, and people are able to get exercise, fresh air, and mental relief.

It is beyond comprehension that leadership is instead choosing to shut down the public land. This is indefensible. We can gather hundreds in a Costco parking lot, but we can’t safely share thousands of acres outside? We know how to physically distance.

Each time another park is closed, it forces everyone to go to the few places that are still open. Those places then claim there are too many people, and they close, too. It’s a death spiral.

This crazy policy is even more galling because the coronavirus “curve” has been flat for weeks. There is no basis for closing the parks.

Matt Suess, Carmel

Reducing transmission

Dear Editor,

I am responding to your editorial in the April 17 Pine Cone criticizing Ed Moreno and his projections of Covid-19 in Monterey County.

Be careful not to throw the baby out with the bath water. Clearly, with the inputs he used, the University of Pennsylvania model greatly overestimated the short-term size of the outbreak here. But what needs to be emphasized is that over the past week the doubling rate of cases in Monterey County has been holding steady at 12 days, as calculated from the daily Pine Cone/county health department statistics. This means that if this trend continues, unless more (not less) stringent sheltering is undertaken by county inhabitants, the number of cases will continue to double every 12 days until something stops it. The reason case numbers are declining places like New York City is that sheltering has been complete enough to reduce transmission of the virus — a reduction that has not (yet) occurred in Monterey County. A demand for clarity from Ed Moreno must not be construed as an implication we can loosen restrictions at a time we need to strengthen them. The only other things likely to stop the virus are herd immunity (after 200,000 county cases), a treatment (months-years away) or a vaccine (18 months).

Todd Perkins, M.D., Pebble Beach

No merit

Dear Editor,

An article in your paper’s April 17 edition featured data presented to the Monterey County Board of Supervisors by county health officer Edward Moreno, who claims that if only 70 percent of county residents follow social distancing and stay in place orders that we will have an astonishing 33,000 patients sick with coronavirus within six weeks. Moreno’s opinion lacks any scientific basis or merit. As of today, we have had 154 cases with four deaths. Moreno based his projections on data from the University of Pennsylvania but, as of April 16, Pennsylvania averaged 230 Covid-19 cases per 100,000 residents, which would

equate to about known 1,000 cases in Monterey County. Dr. Moreno’s presentation is based upon faulty assumptions he has made and pseudoscience. Even Pennsylvania does not meet these projections. The board of supervisors is entitled to better information and our residents need to understand that measures up to date have been successful and that our patients are safe. Stop the political fear mongering.

Michael Klassen, M.D., Pebble Beach

Enough already

Dear Editor:

Enough. We need to end the irrational shutdown of our county. The numbers in Monterey County don’t justify it. The more we learn about this virus in our state (see recent Stanford and USC studies), the less deadly it appears to be. These studies show infection rates of 50 (or greater) times the reported infection rate. This means the mortality rate is significantly lower than the “experts” told us to justify this shutdown and their subsequent abuse of power.

I know people want to follow the experts. But these experts aren’t displaying much wisdom. Their sole focus is to minimize Covid-19 deaths. Dr. Edward Moreno, the Monterey County “expert,” gets his pay and benefits no matter what happens to you. He decimated the construction and landscaping industry a couple of weeks ago with a stroke of his pen. Did he even consider the suffering his actions would cause so many people, or the suicide and drug addiction deaths that will surely follow?

Our county supervisors, who are supposed to have perspective and wisdom, didn’t even question Dr. Moreno about his

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by filling a tube with blood and sending it to Florida for analysis. The results take about three days.

While the tests cost more, Smith said they are “more accurate,” and can detect the virus earlier and in smaller quantities. He called them “a big step forward in medical usefulness.”

The low number of people with coronavirus antibodies would seem to suggest that the virus was not circulating here months ago, as some have speculated. Smith said he expected to find more people with antibodies than he did, based on those assumptions.

“We’re not seeing a lot of transmission within shelter in place,” he added. “Hope-

MASKS

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ers, and are not meant to protect a wearer from catching the disease. He used an example of someone at a store who didn’t know they had the virus and coughs, sneezes or laughs, for instance, “at least the droplets from the virus will be caught” in the mask and “won’t get into the air and spread to other people.”

Moreno said he’s working with county counsel and health officers in Santa Cruz and San Benito counties on the order, and that the mandate would follow a “template” from an order in another San Francisco Bay area county.

“I think it is probably necessary to issue the order to provide clarity to Monterey County residents as to what the benefit is to covering our face when we have to leave our house and be around other people that don’t live with us,” he said

He reiterated that county residents still need to shelter in place and only leave their houses for exercise and to provide or receive essential services, and said masks are “not a substitute” for doing those things.

Similar mask orders in the state call for them to be worn in public when within 6 feet of others, while working with others, and going to the supermarket, for instance, but are not required while exercising if practicing social distancing or driving alone.

Moreno did not say what type of face

unrealistic numbers and absurd rules. So much for representing us. If we want our county back, we need to take charge and challenge these experts who are showing no wisdom.

People are suffering. Are you listening, Dr. Moreno?

Steve Gorman, Pacific Grove

Get off your butt

Dear Editor,

I just saw your April 17 editorial concerning the Covid-19 infection projections for Monterey County and am disappointed in you. Obviously, the Monterey County Health officer has been working with a model supplied to him/her by the state, or by the CDC or other such entity with expertise. Creation of the model would undoubtedly be beyond the capabilities of the local health officer, even if he/she had the time.

Data from the limited Covid-19 testing to date across the U.S. and other countries suggests that there are probably 10 infected but asymptomatic or otherwise unidentified infected individuals for every one confirmed case. Instead of excoriating our local health officials, perhaps it would be more useful (a) if you would get off of your rather comfortable backside in Carmel and do some actual investigative reporting on the sources of the health models, and (b) would appropriately rejoice that Monterey County’s infection rate is modest (so far), which is likely due to the aggressive isolation tactics that have been ordered.

Brian Dolan, Denver

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fully, this reinforces that self-isolation is very valuable.”

Smith said he had actually expected to find more people with antibodies than he did, based on those assumptions. “The low number was a bit of a surprise,” the laboratory director added.

Located near York School, ARCpoint Labs specializes in drug testing, alcohol screening, DNA and clinical lab testing, corporate wellness programs and employment/background screening.

But now the lab is focusing about 90 percent of efforts on coronavirus antibody testing, and additional staff have been hired to help keep up with the demand.

The lab is also testing for coronavirus but can only offer “a small number of these tests to patients with a doctor’s order” because “supplies have been limited throughout the nation since the onset of the outbreak.”

coverings he’ll require people to wear, but the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said using simple cloth coverings, such as a bandana or homemade mask, can prevent the infected from transmitting the virus.

Moreno also did not say when the order would go into effect or outline the penalties for violating it, though his March shelter-in-place order calls for violators to be cited or jailed.

Early Tuesday morning, before farmworkers went to work, nonprofit health care Clinica de Salud del Valle de Salinas handed out masks for workers to use in the fields.

Not enough beds?

Moreno has said he projects the county will have 33,000 cases of coronavirus by the first week of June and 954 people would have to be hospitalized at the same time in the next six weeks — a scenario that would overrun the county’s four hospitals.

Though some have questioned the accuracy of the projections, and Moreno conceded the model he’s using is intended for much larger populations and may not apply to Monterey County, officials are still planning as if there won’t be enough hospital beds to treat the ill. The projections would mean the county would have to get roughly 23 people per day for the next six weeks who would require hospitalization. So far, only 26 people in Monterey County with the virus have had to be hospitalized during the entire epidemic.



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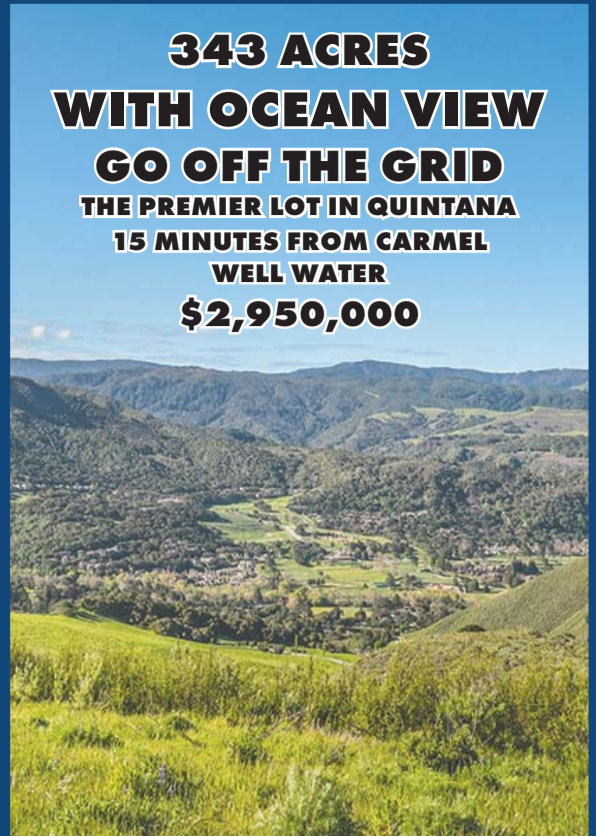
Carmel Valley

146 Del Mesa Carmel — \$635,000

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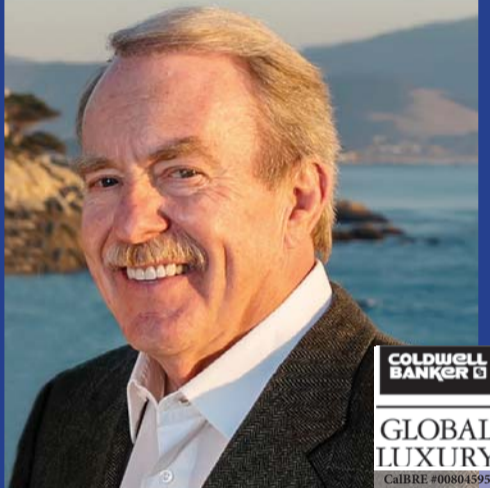
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TWO PROJECTS OF NOTE ARE ALREADY UNDERWAY:

- Funding local businesses to make reusable cloth face masks which will be donated to those who need them in the community
- Working with local restaurants to produce healthy ready to eat meals for those in need

We have raised almost \$100K to date with 25+ partners. We are gaining support and knowledge with commitments from these wonderful Carmelites. This is a list of our growing team. We hope to develop Carmel Gives into a significant fund to have available in moments of need. Please consider donating at **CARMELGIVES.ORG** and we will add your name to our expanding community of support.

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2969 Highway 68 unit D24 — \$289,000
Monterey Motorsport Park to Evan Marcus
APN: 259-022-080

2969 Highway 68 unit D8 — \$466,000
Monterey Motorsport Park to Apricot Co.
APN: 259-022-064

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Steven Larson to City of Monterey
APN: 013-254-032

40 Laguna Grande Court — \$314,000
Shauna Rowe to City fo Monterey
APN: 013-144-029

324 Euclid Avenue — \$606,000
Patricia Lee to Dale Adams
APN: 013-252-004

11 Ralston Drive — \$765,000
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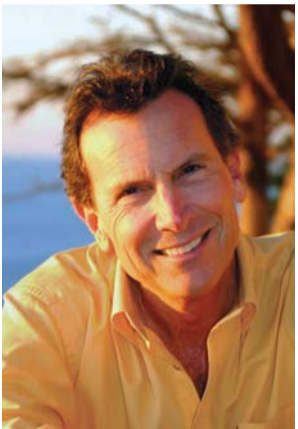
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Life with the virus hasn't changed much from what I've been doing for years

THE NEWS from the White House that we may soon be returning to normal was met with a resounding "meh" in my household, where sheltering in place hasn't been much different than the pre-coronavirus condition of sheltering in place (without knowing we were sheltering in place).

I tried to figure out what was different these past several weeks from what we had been doing the previous few hundred weeks. Truth be told, things have actually been a little better than before the government lockdown.

We've discovered the convenience of having our groceries delivered. Sure, sometimes the necessary substitutions could have been better, like the time an creative designated shopper brought us sandpaper instead of toilet paper. During the lockdown, I've also been enjoying hours of guilt-free bingeing on television. Pre-virus, there were so many times I knew I should be working on the great American novel instead of watching TV.

But now, I've discovered "Making the Cut" with supermodel Heidi Klum and fashion icon Tim Gunn, where a dozen designers compete for \$1 million, plus having their designs for sale on Amazon.

I never followed *haute couture*, but this program made me see fashion design as an energetic, living, and inspirational art form.

I could never don the outfits Gunn does. The window-pane plaids he wears make him look as if he just stepped out of GQ. If I wore those wide plaids, kids would lay me down and play hopscotch on me.

No colorful characters

The lockdown has expanded my social circle. The release of so many prisoners from jails has allowed me to meet many of my Facebook friends and family in person.

Youse guys have so many cool tats!

One of my routines that has changed during the Covid confinement is hanging out at one of our fine coffee emporiums. In the old days, I could wile away the hours in conversation with a number of casual acquaintances — some of them homeless people, who were always among the most interesting of the regulars. One, a perfectly charming

ly rain on my parade but was Hoovering over it, outvoted me. Goodbye little ants.

Hugging champ

Changing direction from bugs to hugs. Years ago, when I became a widower, I remember wondering where my next hug was coming from. Weeks went by without a hug. Laugh if you will, but I didn't need a psychologist to tell me the benefits of hugging. Aside from making you feel loved and secure, being hugged lowers your heart rate and blood pressure and improve the immune system. I am sequestered with a fellow hugger. We see that we each get a large daily dose of vitamin H. I sympathize with you if you are alone during this helter-skelter shelter-in-place period.

If hugging were an Olympic event I'd have more gold medals than Michael Phelps, so when this is lockdown is over, let me know if you need a hug. I've tested positive for the hug bug, so you can count on me. The proper hug? Left chest to left chest so our hearts are touching.

Changing directions again — the current virus has rekindled interest in the Spanish flu pandemic of 1918-20, a historical event I have only read about. My father was 15 years old in 1920. My mother was 13. They lived in a relatively populous city, Buffalo, N.Y. (256,000). Yet, they never mentioned the Spanish flu when we were growing up. It must have had a tremendous effect on their lives. It killed 675,000 Americans. More people died from the flu than were killed in World War I.

Is there anyone out there who had parents who mentioned that pandemic? I would love to hear from you so we can discuss this phenomenon. Thank you.

Contact Jerry at jerrygervase@yahoo.com.

Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVASE

fellow named Barney, regaled me with his opinions on a variety of topics from sports to politics, during which he often lost his train of thought but rambled happily on. Barney was enthusiastic about each day whether it was sunny or gloomy. Hope you've found a place to shelter, Barney.

Rose Bowl for ants

I have never seen a flea circus. Could they be any more entertaining than an ant parade? The wet weather caused a troop — they are not quite an army — of ambitious ants to shelter in place at my place.

At first I was going to solve their insurgency by vacuuming them up. But they weren't causing any harm, and dang if they didn't parade around our den like they were rehearsing for the Rose Bowl. There was one big fella out in front strutting like a six-legged drum major. A couple of more must have gotten into some fruit because they danced around like Carmen Miranda. Someone, who didn't exact-



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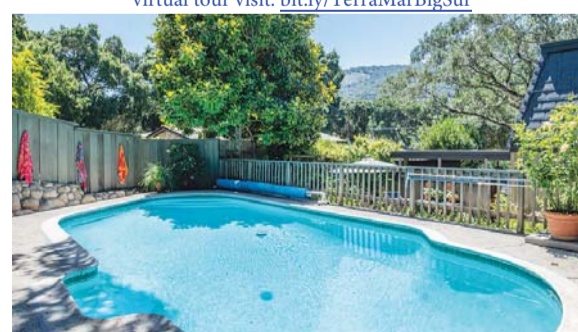


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POLICE LOG

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FRIDAY, APRIL 10

Big Sur: Two 20-year-old females were cited for trespassing on posted lands on Highway 1.

Big Sur: Subject was rescued after falling off a cliff on Los Burros Road.

SATURDAY, APRIL 11

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found hearing aid turned in to the police department for safe-keeping.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 32-year-old female was cited at San Carlos and Seventh at 2323 hours for violating the statewide shelter-in-place order.

Carmel area: Deputies responded to report of a theft of a bicycle on Yankee Point.

Pacific Grove: Suspicious circumstances on Arkwright Court reported by resident at 0246 hours.

Pacific Grove: Family argument on Grove Acre.

Carmel area: Deputies responded to a report of shoplifting on Rio Road.

SUNDAY, APRIL 12

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officers responded to a report of a shelter-in-place/city code violation on Vizcaino south Mountain View. Officers observed illegal construction/work going on and issued a cease-and-desist order. Homeowner was admonished for allowing construction on a Sunday, and for knowingly violating the shelter-in-place order. Worker also did not have a city business permit. Forwarded to code enforcement.

Pacific Grove: Burglary on Lawton.

Carmel area: Deputies contacted a person on Outlook Drive who believed they were hearing voices and requested to go to a hospital. Person was transported to the hospital.

Carmel Valley: Report of neighbor caus-

ing mental suffering to a child at a residence on Nason Road.

Pebble Beach: Deputies responded to report of subject refusing to leave a residence on Lopez Road. The 47-year-old female was issued a citation and left the scene.

MONDAY, APRIL 13

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A report of two missing persons. The persons were located.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A local business owner at San Carlos and Sixth requested a trespass advisement to a person making employees and customers feel uncomfortable.

Pacific Grove: Dead body found at a Syda residence.

Pacific Grove: Subject fell on public property on Ocean View Boulevard.

Pacific Grove: Dispatched to a domestic disturbance on Gibson.

Pebble Beach: Property damage on Forest Lake Road.

Pebble Beach: Deputies responded for a report of a male subject on Spruance who required a 5150 committal [danger to self or others].



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LETTERS

From page 27A

Shelter-in-place is killing us Dear Editor,

I, like most of us, am essentially in an involuntary house arrest.

In perspective, Monterey County has reported 4 deaths out of a population of 434,000.

We must phase-in the reopening of our economy on the Monterey Peninsula immediately. Our collapsing economy has the potential to kill way more people than Covid-19.

Carmel is effectively a ghost town, with all of our restaurants, hotels, and shops closed, and all residents required to shelter in place. "Non-essential" workers are prohibited from working and are required to stay home to help contain the spread of the virus. That means that non-essential

workers and business owners are without compensation for as long as our government officials believe it to be necessary. At the same time, however, the longer that our economy is closed down, many of our businesses are at risk of never reopening, or going through a bankruptcy process. Many people who own local businesses or are employed by them will permanently lose their jobs and suffer severe economic consequences. Home values will plummet.

We may be on the verge of an avoidable economic depression.

I am aware that politicians, government bureaucrats, and people in the medical profession are great proponents of keeping people at home to contain the virus. The economic consequences of this shelter-in-place will not affect them, because they have continued to work and receive a paycheck, while the economic consequences are devastating to many others. I am re-

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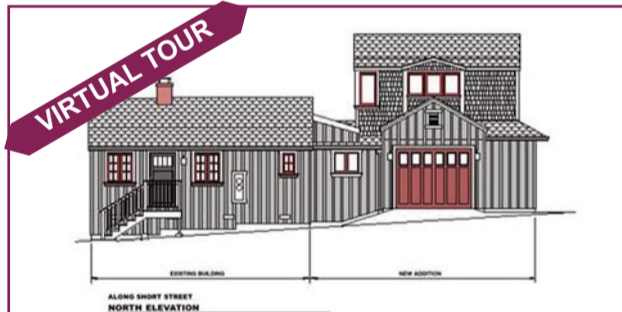
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 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CARMEL WELLNESS AND AESTHETICS, 26135 Carmel Rancho Blvd., F-21, Carmel, CA 93923.**
 Mailing address: 1840 41st Ave., Suite 102-325, Capitola, CA 95010.
 County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.
 Name of Corporation or as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: JAY PENNOCCK, 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/ Joy 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 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)

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)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
 File No. 20200629
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CAMPFIRE CONCERTS, 417 Alvarado Street, Monterey, CA 93940.**
 Mailing address: 3 Goodrich Trail, Carmel, CA 93923.
 County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.
 Name of Corporation or as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: SANTA LUCIA VENTURES III, 3 Goodrich Trail, Carmel, CA 93923.
 State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
 This business is conducted by a limited liability company.
 The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 2020.
 S/ Rachel Quiring, Manager
 March 11, 2020
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 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 3, 2020.
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 Publication dates: April 17, 24, May 1, 8, 2020. (PC407)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
 File No. 20200672
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **AMERICAN ART GALLERY, Dolores Bet. Ocean & 7th, Carmel, CA 93921.**
 Mailing address: P.O. Box 4154, Carmel, CA 93921.
 County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
 Registered Owner(s):
 DEVORIT A. ELZAGON, 4127 Sunset Ln., Pebble Beach, CA 93953.
 ALEC I. ELZAGON, 4127 Sunset Ln., Pebble Beach, CA 93953.
 This business is conducted by a married couple.
 The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Oct. 13, 2000.
 S/Devorit Elzagon
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 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 14, 2020.
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Professions Code).
 Publication dates: April 24, May 1, 8, 15, 2020. (PC408)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
 File No. 20200643
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
Conscious Path, 1774 Noche Buena St., Seaside, CA 93955
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 Mailing Address: 1774 Noche Buena St., Seaside, CA, 93955
 Registrant(s):
 Susan Faurot, 1774 Noche Buena St., Seaside, CA 93955
 This business is conducted by an Individual Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
 S/ Susan Faurot
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/08/2020
4/24, 5/1, 5/8, 5/15/20
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 Publication dates: April 24, May 1, 8, 15, 2020. (PC409)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF HILDEGUNN HAWLEY Case Number 20PR000139
 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of HILDEGUNN HAWLEY.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by INGA ELISABETH HAWLEY in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.
 The Petition for Probate requests that INGA ELISABETH HAWLEY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
 The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
 The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.)
 The independent administration author-

ity will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
 Date: July 29, 2020
 Time: 9:00 a.m.
 Dept.: 13
 Address: Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguiar Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from

the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. **Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.**
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
 Attorney for Petitioner:
 UTE M. ISBILL-WILLIAMS
 26335 Carmel Rancho Blvd., Suite 2
 Carmel, CA 93923
 (831) 233-7375
 This statement was filed by Superior Court of California, County of Monterey on April 8, 2020.
 Publication dates: April 24, May 1, 8, 2020. (PC410)

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

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 at which time they will be publicly opened and read for performing the work as follows:
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Please see CAWD Website for virtual meeting link prior to bid opening.
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 No bidder shall withdraw his bid for a period of thirty (30) calendar days after the date set by the Board for the opening thereof.
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 Publication dates: April 17, 24, 2020 (PC406)

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tired, but I see the pain.

I am by no means cavalier about the seriousness of Covid-19, but people also have to earn or living, or their lives will be devastated in so many other ways. We need to people to get back to work and earn a living so that they can care for their families, albeit with certain sensible precautions. Let's get our pets groomed, lawns cut, infrastructure maintained, golf courses open, restaurants, hotels, and shops back open, and tourists back in Carmel. I, and most people I know, need a haircut.

Please write and call your local government officials and insist that they open up our crumbling economy before it destroys more people than the virus. The Monterey County economy is about tourists and agriculture. Both are essential to our lives and livelihoods.

David Quinnert, Carmel

Supports gardeners

Dear Editor,

Thank you to Chip Rerig and Dave Potter for taking up the gauntlet in support of gardeners, landscapers and construction workers in Carmel whose abilities to work and earn have been eliminated by the most recent directive from the county health department!

I hope by joining together with other Monterey Peninsula cities, your collective voices will convince the health department to modify the rules, as was done for realtors.

I have heard from local professional gardeners who are outraged by the new directive, for they had voluntarily initiated safe practices since early March. They could continue their work and not endanger themselves or others in the process.

As a non-professional gardener who maintains a rather large home garden during this time of sheltering in place, it not only affords me an activity to keep me physically active, but it nourishes my soul.

If there is anything I can do to help further your position, please let me know. I support you 100 percent.

Cindy Lloyd, Carmel

Likes the quiet

Dear Editor,

I am a part time resident of Carmel. My main residence is in Marin County, however, having been born in Salinas, and with family and business interests in the area, it feels more like home here. The Pine Cone is one of my favorite reads — the beaches, the people, birds, whales, and trees, all dear and authentic.

This past week, without buses and loads of tourists,

I have felt in a kind of heaven, a few restaurants to take out from, Neilsen's Market, which is the best combination of old-time grocer and wine purveyor with adequate and congenial service (Bruno's, too), walking or biking everywhere — no need for a car. Clearly, people are suffering elsewhere and nearby. I have not been directly affected, however, I have my worries for those who are my loved ones, as well as those I do not know.

As citizens, what can we take away and learn from this experience? Can the beautiful and unique towns of the Monterey Peninsula cut back and do without so much growth and profit? Even ten percent? Must the houses continue to be built so large and cover so much of each lot? Can the restaurants survive on fewer tables? Would Pebble Beach ever consider a year with one less golf tournament or car show? Will they ever cease tearing apart and replanting sweet Peter Hay? Could the town of Carmel return to a glimmer of how it was when I was a girl and my

grandmother would drive me over from Salinas to do my school clothes shopping each year in late summer? I know we never address the fact of population explosion. It seems taboo. I know free will and commerce exist, but are they the only viable forces?

As history shows, and so many have learned, sometimes it takes hardship and death to clarify what's real and/or important. Sometimes it requires a bit of thinking, and action. As Europeans know, constant and sustained growth is bad; it's like deliberately allowing oneself and pushing oneself to get fat. It's unhealthy, not to mention unattractive. Without doing something to contain ourselves we stand to ruin what is best about our lovely area, and that is what will take the jobs, the beauty, and happy citizens away. Right now the birds are happy, the beaches more peaceful. Can we learn from them or are we humans too obtuse?

Kimberly Nunes, Ross



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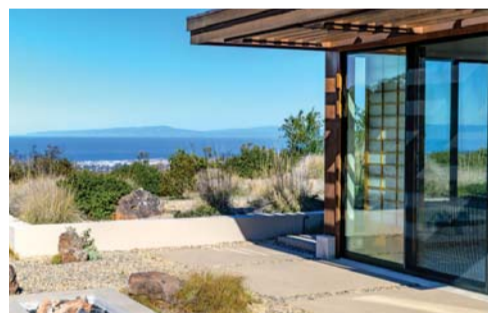
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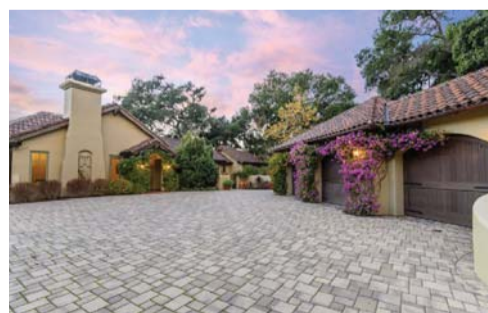
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