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BIG SUR TRAGEDIES; EXCITEMENT ABOUT REOPENING



The avalanche of news continued this week around the Monterey Peninsula. (Clockwise from above) Linda Hanson models a mask cleverly adorned with artwork created by a painter and downtown gallery owner (see story below). A helicopter arrives on scene after a car went over a cliff in Big Sur (see page 6A). And Sunset Center's North parking lot is transformed into a drive-in movie theater for a series of eight Hollywood screenings (see page 7A).



PHOTOS/COURTESY ERIN HANSON,
BIG SUR FIRE AND SUNSET CENTER

Moreno: Migrant workers could be cause of virus spike

■ Says protests will mean more infections

By KELLY NIX

FARMWORKERS AND others in the agricultural industry who have been arriving in Salinas and the Salinas Valley for the summer season could be the reason for the recent rise of coronavirus infections here, the county health officer said this week.

Dr. Ed Moreno also told reporters this week that public protests in the county over the death of a Minneapolis man — events his county health director and other department leaders supported — will also probably mean more infections among residents.

And the health department Monday reported the 11th death in the county from the virus — a 62-year-old Hispanic man who died in Salinas June 7.

Harvesting Covid

Like last week, coronavirus cases in the Salinas Valley and South County continued their upward trend, and Moreno said Monday that the summer season, which brings about 25,000 farmworkers and others in the agricul-

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Hotels get ready for leisure travelers Friday

By MARY SCHLEY

AS SOON as Gov. Gavin Newsom announced the lifting of restrictions on traveling for fun, hotel reservations jumped. And, like many other industries, operators had spent weeks planning for the moment when they would be able to welcome all kinds of guests again — which turns out to be June 12.

"We've already got bookings — this weekend is going to be busy," said Carrie Theis, a city council member and owner of the Hofsas House, which has been in her family for more than seven decades. Many repeat customers reached out as soon as they learned the travel ban was being lifted.

'The longest three months'

Reservations are also strong at La Playa, according to Mary Crowe, a Carmel resident who oversees that hotel and other properties for Arizona-based Classic Hotels.

"They've been calling for weeks," she said.

"I have said this from day one: Carmel will be the first to recover," commented Janine Chicourrat, general manager of the Portola Hotel in Monterey and wife of Mayor Dave Potter.

But nothing can make up for the nearly three months since the county and state banned everything but "essential" travel, not to mention future losses due to cancellations of the Bach Festival, most Concours Week events and other major events, and people's reluctance to fly.

"It's been the longest three months of my life," said Theis. "I'm definitely going to send an email letting people know we are open for leisure travelers. We're still getting a lot of cancellations from our European travelers, so hopefully we're going to make it up with the drive market."

Crowe said La Playa has been hit hard by group cancellations, like weddings and conferences. "How do you socially distance people at a wedding?" she asked.

'Among the last'

While Theis has kept her hotel open to serve the few guests who were traveling for essential reasons, and La Playa is reopening Friday, Chicourrat said she'll keep the Portola closed until next month.

"We'll probably be among the last to open, because we're the second largest hotel on the Peninsula, and unless

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Budget includes deep cuts, layoffs, use of savings

By MARY SCHLEY

WITH REVENUES expected to total just under \$18.7 million in the 2020-2021 fiscal year — compared with the \$24.3 million that was expected during the current year — and expenses at just over \$19.7 million even with major cuts, the city will have to use more than \$1 million in savings from prior years in order to balance the budget next year.

The proposed spending plan was released June 3 and is set to be voted on by the city council at a special meeting June 16.

While city administrator Chip Rerig initially anticipating having to lay off as many as 17 employees, the budget calls for laying off two recently hired maintenance workers, the public works administrative coordinator, two library assistants, the community services assistant and the public works project manager. It also freezes a number of vacancies in various departments.

"It's sad on a lot of levels," Rerig told The Pine Cone. "Our business district is hurting, and that reflects on the income that we receive, and that's resulted in a very lean budget. It's forced my hand to make the extremely unfortunate recommendation" to fire more than a half-dozen employees to save money.

Salaries and benefits account for nearly half of the annual expenses but are budgeted at \$2 million less than what was allocated in the 2019-2020 fiscal year. Rerig asked the

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GYMS FACE LITANY OF RULES FOR REOPENING

■ Treadmills 6 feet apart?

By KELLY NIX

GYMS AND fitness centers can reopen, but the state is requiring them to follow a host of new Covid-19 rules and recommendations, including instituting 24-hour advanced reservations for anyone who wants to work out.

The state has given gyms the OK to open doors June 12 as part of Stage 3 of the reopening, but its Covid-19 guidance for fitness facilities is involved and, at times, strange. Among them is that people mask up while exercising.

Lots of cleaning

"It is highly recommended that patrons wear face coverings when entering and leaving the facility and should consider wearing them during workouts," according to the state department of public health.

While the state notes that "considerations should be made for members who are unable or unwilling to wear a face covering," it does not mention that face masks also impede air flow, making it difficult for gym-goers doing aerobic exercises.

The Monterey Sports Center, which has been closed since the shutdown in March, is planning for a "soft reopening" later this month and a formal reopening in July,

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Artist turns paintings into face masks

By CHRIS COUNTS

OFFERING A new twist on functional art, a painter who recently opened a gallery downtown just unveiled a series of face masks adorned with colorful local scenes.

"We sold 300 masks the first day we released them, and they have been selling steadily ever since," said Erin Hanson, who opened a gallery in November on San Carlos between Fifth and Sixth.

Selling for \$15 each on her website, the masks, at least for now, are being given away to those who visit the gallery.

The masks not only show off Hanson's striking paintings, but offer at least a line of defense against the spread of coronavirus. "Our collectors and fans love being able to wear something aesthetic that shows off their love of color and nature, while still protecting themselves when they go outside," the painter and gallery owner told The

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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Sitting in the sea

AS MOLLY ambles along Scenic Road with her person, the old gal pauses and looks at the shore, as if recalling the warm sand beneath her paws and the refreshing chill of the waves as she would tear across the sand, straight into the sea.

Her person remembers as well, particularly the first time she took her golden retriever-Australian shepherd puppy to Carmel Beach. The little dog ran into the water, promptly turned around, lay down, and let the waves rush over her.

"I had a golden retriever, Sara, for nearly 16 years, who did the same thing," said Molly's person. "To see Molly do exactly that the first time we went to the beach, I had to wonder, like the movie, 'A Dog's Purpose,' if Sara had returned in this puppy."

Molly's person was living in Pacific Grove when she learned about 10-month-old Molly through Animal Friends Rescue Project. It had been five years since she'd lost Sara, and she felt ready for another companion.

She found Molly adorable, energetic, exuberant and athletic. Her foster family said she was willful, destructive, defiant and wild.

"As soon as I told Molly to sit, she came right over, sat, and looked up at me," her person said. "I thought, 'OK, you're smart and trainable.' Once I got her home, she never touched anything or de-



fied me, ever."

Today, Molly is sweet, loving, and approaching 16. While living in Pacific Grove, Molly's person took her to Rip Van Winkle park twice daily. Since they moved to Carmel Woods, into a little place with no stairs, to facilitate Molly's mobility, the pair prefers to wander Scenic.

Molly's person can't imagine life with out the loyal companion who has accompanied her to work every day for nearly 15 years. But she trusts she will show up again, in another dog who also likes to sit in the sea.

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Dear Friends and Families of the Carmel Youth Center,

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As you very well know, the CYC has had its share of financial hardships and has always managed to endure. Over the last two years, we have successfully restructured programming and care at the CYC with the help of our Staff, Board of Directors, and most importantly, the children of the CYC. We are proud of our safe, fun, nurturing environment that boosts curiosity and builds confidence in our youth. The CYC provides children with access to a wide range of essential activities designed to promote social and intellectual development as well as to encourage community engagement such as homework help, cooking lessons, science experiments, and service projects to support our local community. It pains us to share that a place many children view as a safe haven or second home, is now at great risk of closure due to the negative impacts brought upon us by the COVID-19 Pandemic. **In the spirit of transparency, we want to share with our incredible community that this vital and vibrant organization may have to close its doors unless it receives financial help from the community.**

In 2019 we fundraised 50% of our annual budget so that we could offer parents enriching after-school care below cost. For every full paying after-school member, it cost the CYC an additional \$1,800 per child, per school year. Even as our pricing is merely half of that of the public-school system, 20% of our members received either full or partial scholarships. We have significant concerns that families in our community will need these scholarships now more than ever as we adjust to the end of shelter-in-place orders during these unprecedented times.

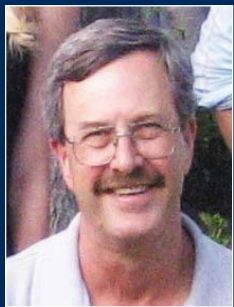
Carmel-by-the-Sea boasts a remarkable history which has always revealed our ability to unite in moments of calamity with action and solidarity so as to preserve the legacies that make our town so special. We are honored to be one of our town's living legacies. However, the viability of the CYC is at immense risk as we have entered a season of great financial hardship. We project these financial burdens will be made even more difficult as we restructure this organization to meet the safety guidelines of COVID-19. With the loss of our most successful fundraising events, membership dues, and the Concours D'Elegance, which was our single biggest source of revenue, the Carmel Youth Center is in urgent need of an increase in capital. We ask all who are able to please help us keep our doors open so that we can remain a part of this incredible community for another 70 years.

Please visit our website www.carmelyouth.org to learn more about our efforts to keep the Carmel Youth Center alive, fund ADA improvements, and continue serving the youth in our community. This community has been the heart and the lifeblood of the CYC for the last 70 years and it has been an immense honor to serve all of you. We are still hard at work laying out plans for the future. It is our hope to continue to serve our community for generations to come. Our goal at this time is to raise \$750,000.00. Donations can be made online or directly to the Carmel Youth Center via P.O. Box 2399, Carmel-by-the-Sea. John and I welcome your input and are available to answer any questions that you may have at this point in time. You can reach me at the CYC at 831.624.3285 and John on his cell at 831.601.1110.

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Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

Visitor had a long list of offenses

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of found property at San Carlos and Ninth. The property was brought to the station. Coworker contacted the owner, who came to the station to retrieve his belonging.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subsequent to a traffic stop at Lincoln and Ocean at 1230 hours, a 25-year-old male driver was found to have a suspended license and was in possession of drug paraphernalia.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subsequent to a traffic stop at San Carlos and Ninth at 1409 hours, a 37-year-old female from Salinas was found to have a felony no-bail warrant for battery causing serious bodily injury. She was booked at county jail.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle towed from Scenic and 10th for being in a temporary no-parking zone.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Men's billfold was found at Dolores and Fifth and turned in to the police station for return to its owner.

Pacific Grove: Prescription drug collec-

tion documentation.

Pacific Grove: Hit-and-run collision on Lighthouse Avenue. Vehicle was drivable.

Pacific Grove: Dog bite on Forest Hill.

Pacific Grove: Injury accident on Lighthouse Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Public intoxication on Lighthouse Avenue. A 71-year-old male was booked.

Carmel Valley: A female subject was contacted on El Caminito and transported on a 5150 W&I hold [danger to self or others] to a medical facility. A narcotic substance and drug paraphernalia were found on her person during the deputy's contact.

Carmel Valley: Adult protective services referral on Carmel Valley Road.

Big Sur: A 66-year-old female was drunk in public on Highway 1.

Carmel area: Report of theft on Marguerita Way.

Big Sur: Citizen at Gorda reported a subject hit him with a stick on the head and arm. Case continues.

Carmel Valley: A female trespassed onto a property on Flight Road.

Carmel Valley: Deputy sheriffs conducted a welfare check on Sleepy Hollow Drive.

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in the Real Estate Section



The gavel falls

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

March 24 — The district attorney's environmental protection unit entered into a stipulated judgment with Azcona Harvesting LLC for failing to take their employees to a physician immediately after they were exposed to pesticides through drift. The judgment requires Azcona Harvesting to pay a \$55,000 civil penalty and includes an injunction prohibiting them from violating this requirement in the future.

Reiter Berry Farms Inc., the party responsible for the pesticide application at issue, previously stipulated to a judgment requiring payment of \$195,200 in civil penalties and costs, as well as an injunction, for violations related to pesticide drift.

On June 28, 2017, at approximately 5:30 a.m., employees of Reiter Berry Farms (which markets its berries under the Driscoll's label) began applying pesticide at Hartnell Ranch in Salinas. At around 6:30 a.m., an Azcona Harvesting crew arrived at Madison Farms' Norton Ranch, which neighbors the Hartnell Ranch, and began harvesting berries. Within two hours, 27 fieldworkers from Azcona's harvesting crew began developing symptoms of pesticide exposure including, among other things, vomiting, nausea, dizziness, eye irritation, and headaches.

Worker safety laws require an employer to immediately take an employee to a physician when there are reasonable grounds to suspect that an employee has a pesticide illness, or

when an exposure to a pesticide has occurred that might reasonably be expected to lead to an employee's illness. While Azcona Harvesting took three employees who vomited to a physician, they failed to take the other employees who were experiencing symptoms related to pesticide exposure and who were not exhibiting symptoms but were exposed and might have developed symptoms.

Both Azcona Harvesting and Reiter Berry Farms cooperated with the district attorney's office during its investigation. The Agricultural Commissioner's Office also investigated this incident.

April 16 — Travis Cagle was sentenced to two years in prison for animal cruelty and resisting arrest charges after a jury rendered verdicts of guilty on March 3.

On August 4, 2019, the defendant, age 31, was riding his bike on North Fremont Street in the City of Monterey with his girlfriend's dog running alongside when the defendant and the dog collided. A good Samaritan citizen from across the street observed Cagle beat the dog several times before he rode away holding the dog off the ground by its leash. The citizen followed in his own vehicle, and further observed the defendant drag the dog, as well as pull the dog up to shoulder height and throw the dog to the ground. The citizen called 911 and continued to follow the

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City to put fire services out to bid

By MARY SCHLEY

HOPING HE might find another fire-fighting agency willing to protect the city at a price lower than the \$2.5 million the City of Monterey is charging each year, Carmel city administrator Chip Rerig received permission from the city council last week to terminate the contract that's been in place since 2012 and solicit bids from other firefighting agencies.

The effort is part of Rerig's attempt to manage the city's overall budget crisis caused by the coronavirus shutdown (see story, page 1A).

"This is not something we present lightly," Rerig told the council June 2. "In this economic environment, we think that it's prudent for us to put the City of Monterey on notice that next year at this time we will be severing the relationship unless there's a successful proposal to continue fire protection services for the village."

He was careful to point out that quality of service and performance are not the issue, but rather the dismal financial state the city is in due to Covid-19 and the likelihood that will continue for some time. He also said he plans to talk to Monterey Fire Chief Gaudenz Panholzer and Monterey city manager Hans Uslar about cutting costs before he terminates the relationship and solicits bids from those interested in taking over.

"It won't be something we do unilaterally," he added. "It will be something we do in concert with council and with the public, as well."

Always offered to negotiate

In the fall of 2011, the city council voted to work with Monterey on developing a contract for Monterey Fire to take over Carmel Fire, which had been a stand-alone department for decades. The decision followed a decade of discussion and debate over how best to handle fire services in the

1-square-mile city and included ruling out a takeover by state-run Cal Fire. The contract with Monterey is set to run through June 30, 2021, when it would automatically renew for another five years unless it's terminated by either side.

At last Tuesday's meeting, Panholzer told the council he respects and understands the need "to do due diligence in making sure you're still getting the best deal that you can," but, he also noted, "I have always offered to sit down with the city administrator to renegotiate the contract on various issues that better aligns with the needs of the City of Carmel."

"We're always happy to have those conversations," he said.

'Won't get it any better'

In addition to Carmel, Monterey Fire runs departments in Pacific Grove and at the airport, and Panholzer said that as chief, he has undertaken numerous contract amendments that have generally benefited Carmel and P.G.

While striving for diplomacy, he also doubted any other agency that might take over fire services in the city would do a better job.

"While I'm not going to disparage any other providers, I think you get exceptionally good service from the City of Monterey, and I don't think you're going to get it any better — and I doubt you're going to get it as good," he said.

Panholzer also noted that Carmel's contract ending would result in at least nine firefighters being laid off.

"We're happy to continue to provide services, we're happy to sit down and negotiate terms of the agreement, and know that no matter what your decision is, we are here to provide the same excellent service through June 30, 2021," he said.

No members of the public commented

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Two drivers die in Big Sur — but dog survives

By CHRIS COUNTS

A WOMAN died and her dog was injured June 2 when her car plunged 700 feet off a cliff along Highway 1 in Big Sur just south of Coast Gallery.

The woman was identified as Jennifer Sorensen, 26, of Big Sur. The incident happened at 3:45 p.m.

Big Sur Fire, the Monterey County Sheriff's Office, the United States Forest Service, California State Parks and the California Highway Patrol responded to a report that a vehicle went over the cliff. The car was found about an hour later.

Sorensen was pronounced dead at the scene, while the dog, Peachy, suffered a broken leg.

At gofundme.com, a crowdfunding campaign raised \$16,000 for Sorensen's funeral expenses and the dog's medical bills.

"We are absolutely devastated by Jennifer's passing and are struggling to find the funds to cover the cost of the service as well as veterinary bills for her dog, Peachy,

who she loved so much," the campaign's organizers told donors.

Second fatality near county line

A 2014 Jeep Cherokee went over a 300-foot cliff June 8 just south of the tiny hamlet of Gorda near the Monterey-San Luis Obispo county line. The driver died in the crash.

According to California Highway Patrol spokeswoman Jessica Madueño, the vehicle was traveling northbound shortly after 10 a.m. when it crossed over the double-yellow lines and the southbound lane before plunging over the edge.

"It is confirmed that the driver is the only fatal victim in this crash," reported Madueno, who noted that the car was registered in Texas.

"Identification of the driver isn't being made public at this time until the Monterey County Coroner's office has contacted the next of kin, and the cause of this crash is still under investigation," the CHP added.

Parolee charged with felonies after standoff

By KELLY NIX

A MAN who barricaded himself in a Pacific Grove apartment for nine hours and forced several people to evacuate from their homes last week has been charged with several felonies and misdemeanors, including criminal threats, parole violation and resisting or obstructing officers.

Pacific Grove Police said officers were called to 254 Grove Acre on June 4 at 8:36 a.m. on a report of a peace disturbance. When they arrived, suspect Erick Fresh, 29, had barricaded himself in his apartment and had threatened to shoot neighbors. Police closed off blocks surrounding the apartment complex.

"Fresh allegedly claimed he had a gun, but it was not clear at the time if there were weapons or if there was someone else in the apartment with him," police administrative services manager Jocelyn Francis told The Pine Cone. Fresh was on parole for assault with a deadly weapon, she said.

Backup called

Officers called for backup, including a special response team, and evacuated four of Fresh's neighbors during the standoff. At 5:25 p.m., Fresh was taken into custody "safely and without harm," and he was booked into Monterey County Jail, with bail set at \$15,000. No one else was in

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Sunset Center turns back clock, transforms parking lot into drive-in

By CHRIS COUNTS

FINDING A coronavirus-friendly use for its facilities — and reviving a tradition that will bring back fond memories for the many locals who grew up in the mid-20th century — Sunset Center is turning its parking lot into a drive-in movie theater.

“Join Sunset Center for our newest series featuring outdoor, drive-in movie events filled with light-hearted, performance-themed films,” the performing arts center announced this week. “You will remain safe and cozy in the comfort of your vehicle while we entertain you in a nostalgic setting with state-of-the-art technology, including large LED video wall and outdoor sound system.”

The “theater” opened June 11 with a screening of the canine-centric comedy, Best in Show. The parking lot will only hold 50 cars, so tickets are limited. Friday’s rock ‘n’ roll biopic, “Almost Famous,” is sold out.

But tickets are still available for two shows Saturday — the animated movie, “The Muppets,” plays at 3 p.m., while rom-com musical “La La Land” will be shown at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are also on sale for four other movies: “Begin Again” (June 18 at 7:30

p.m.), “Hairspray” (June 19 at 7:30 p.m.), the family-friendly animated film “Sing” (Saturday at 3 p.m.) and a biopic about one of America’s musical treasures, “Ray” (June 20, at 7:30 p.m.)

The entrance to the main parking lot is located on Eighth between San Carlos and Mission. Tickets are \$30 per vehicle. Snack packs are \$10, and Grasing’s popcorn — regular or with truffle oil — is available for \$5.

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Sunset Center urged theater-goers to comply with coronavirus-safe guidelines, which include limiting the number of people in each car to the number of seat belts present, turning off the ignition and lights once you are parked, keeping the top up on convertibles, parking in assigned spots, and arriving on time because late parking will not be allowed.

Also, no outside seating in truck beds, lawn chairs, or blankets will be allowed, and people will be required to wear masks to use the restroom.

“We ask everyone to keep in mind that we are still at high risk for the spread of a very infectious, deadly virus,” Sunset Center officials added. “Public health and safety remain the highest priority.”

Red Cross talk on autonomous weapons

A MONTHLY talk hosted by the Red Cross on world events will focus on artificial intelligence and autonomous weapons. On Thursday, June 18, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. via Microsoft Teams, Randall Bagwell, senior director of international services at the American Red Cross National Headquarters, will discuss how “international humanitarian law impacts the world and how autonomous weapons and artificial intelli-

gence are changing its landscape.”

The talks are organized by the International Federation of Red Cross, the world’s largest volunteer movement, with approximately 17 million volunteers in 190 countries, and the International Committee of the Red Cross, which seeks to ensure humanitarian protection and assistance for victims of war and other violence. To register, email go.funai@redcross.org.



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BACKLASH OVER CLOSURE OF LIGHTHOUSE AVENUE

By KELLY NIX

A DECISION by the Pacific Grove city manager last week to close off two blocks of the city's downtown to vehicle traffic for 30 days faces overwhelming opposition from business owners, according to the president of the chamber of commerce, who this week urged the city council to reject the idea.

Moe Ammar said he went to the stores and restaurants on Lighthouse and nearly all of them are opposed to cordoning off both sides of Lighthouse between 16th and Forest and between Grand and Fountain. The closure will begin June 12 and is intended to promote downtown dining and shopping during the Covid-19 crisis.

"So far, we have identified two businesses that are in favor of the street closure out of 33 businesses in the two blocks," Ammar said in a letter urging the council to not OK City Manager Ben Harvey's plan and keep all of Lighthouse open to vehicles.

Besides being unpopular, Ammar said Harvey's plan lacked transparency and would eliminate 48 parking spaces. The Monday farmer's market shuts down Central Avenue, which means drivers trying to get through the area would have to be rerouted to Laurel or Pine avenues.

No public hearing

Harvey had authority to close Lighthouse under the city's emergency proclamation. The council last week voted to suspend public hearing requirements related to outside dining and other use permits, which prevented the public from weighing in on the closure before it starts. Council members will decide June 17 whether to approve or deny the closure for the remainder of the 30-day period.

"We are requesting the council not to ratify Mr. Harvey's proposal and instead keep Lighthouse Avenue open to through vehicular traffic," Ammar said in the letter.

David van Sunder, manager for In Stride Physical Therapy and Rehab., Inc. at 581 Lighthouse, said his clients are

injured and infirm and have difficulty walking, and most of them need parking in front of the business.

"Closing down the street in front of our clinic makes things more difficult for them," van Sunder said in a letter to the council.

Ammar said the chamber is willing to work with Harvey to come up with alternative idea to promote business downtown which, like other towns, has suffered greatly because of the pandemic.

Another lawsuit filed over accident at raceway

By KELLY NIX

TWO MEN who say they were seriously injured in a crash while participating in a driving course at Laguna Seca last year have filed a sweeping complaint seeking an unspecified amount in monetary damages, even though they signed waivers vowing not to sue if they were injured.

In a civil lawsuit filed May 4, Ramin Hariri and Sean Hariri say they were participating in a Mercedes-Benz AMG driving academy on Oct. 5, 2019, when a mishap occurred at Laguna Seca's famous corkscrew.

A vehicle driven by an unidentified female driver "flew over the top of the corkscrew with immense speed" and slammed into the side of the Mercedes GT Ramin Hariri was driving, causing him to lose control and slam into a track wall, the lawsuit claims. The impact of the crash tossed them like "ragdolls."

"The force of the impact was so great that plaintiffs recall seeing the front of the vehicle explode and crumple toward them, with all airbags exploding in the vehicle," the complaint says. "Glass shattered throughout the vehicle."

The impact "snapped" Ramin's "neck forward and back," while Sean's helmet struck Ramin's with immense impact "causing severe injury to his head and brain." The Hariris were able to climb from the car and were taken to Natividad Medical Center, where they were treated.

The pair allege gross negligence against Laguna Seca Raceway Foundation, A&D Narigi Consulting, Monterey County, SCRAMP, Mercedes-Benz and Daimler, contending they provided "insufficient and inadequate instruction" on how to operate and control the cars, including the car driven by the woman who struck them. They also allege she was negligent.

But SCRAMP attorney Andy Swartz noted the pair signed waivers promising not sue if injured. He also said that neither the county, SCRAMP or the foundation were involved with the event. And Ashlee Gustafson, the attorney for A&D, told the plaintiffs' attorney in a letter that A&D didn't start managing the racetrack until Jan. 1, 2020 — three months after the accident occurred.



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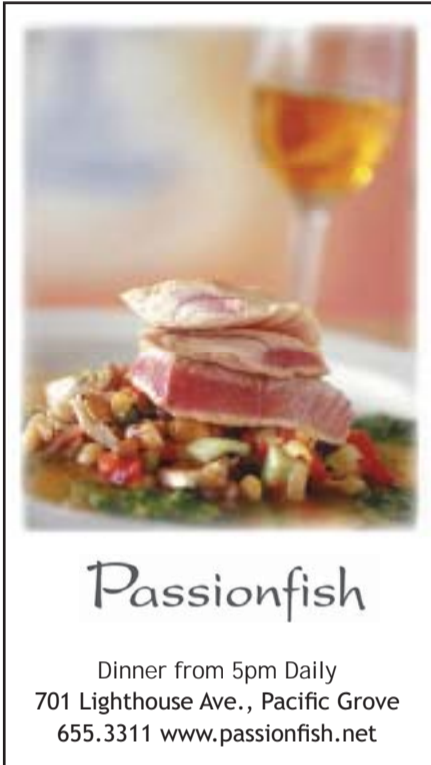
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‘Squirrel cans’ on their way out

By MARY SCHLEY

THE WOOD trashcans emblazoned with the image of a squirrel have been a signature of downtown for decades, but they’ll soon end up on the scrap heap, due to their high cost and the fact they don’t accommodate recycling.

Planning commissioners said Wednesday the cans should be replaced with metal dual-sided containers that take garbage on one side and cans and bottles on the other.

“We currently have no recycling receptacles on our downtown sidewalks except for the two we installed two years ago near Devendorf Park,” environmental compliance manager Agnes Martelet told the planning commission June 10.

While the state wants cities to divert 75 percent of their trash to recycling and composting, the city (not including residents and businesses) only diverts 36 percent. The residential rate hovers between 70 and 75 percent, according to Martelet.

In November 2019, the city received a CalRecycle grant funded by beverage container recycling fees for \$120,000. The money paid for 25 BearSaver garbage and recycling receptacles that were installed near the beach and in parks, and is funding another 25 receptacles for downtown. At the meeting, Martelet asked planning commissioners to recommend the design they like best to the city council, which will have the final say.

Options galore

She presented a handful of different options for replacing the cans, including a metal “ribbon” style container, a teak one similar to those installed in Devendorf Park a couple of years ago — but which have wear and maintenance issues — more BearSavers, which are durable but rather industrial in appearance, or converting some of the squirrel cans into recycling cans by painting their lids and metal straps blue.

The costs “per gallon” of capacity range from \$20 for the large metal ribbon receptacles, which would include two 36-gallon containers, to \$53 per gallon for the squirrel cans, which are expensive to build and only hold 15 gallons. Martelet recommended the metal ribbon design “because of its durability and maintenance and cost effectiveness.”

Resident Dale Byrne was the only member of the pub-

lic to comment. He said replacing the cans is “a fantastic idea,” and he liked the metal receptacle Martelet suggested.

Commissioners generally favored that style, too, but wanted a smaller size that would measure around 39 inches tall, 43 inches long and 25 inches wide, as opposed to the larger design that would be the same height but would be 56 inches long and 31 inches wide.

“I think that gives us more flexibility as far as placement and will have less impact on narrow walkways,” chairman Michael LePage said. “I think it’s actually more attractive than the wood ones.”

Commissioners unanimously voted to recommend the city council opt for the metal ribbon receptacles, which would be clearly labeled to show which side accepts trash and which is for recyclables.



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P.B. Co. welcomes customers, plans hotel reopening Monday

By KELLY NIX

THE PEBBLE Beach Company is welcoming visitors back to its renowned hotels, restaurants and shops beginning Monday, while businesses in Pacific Grove are doing the same this weekend.

Pebble Beach shut its hotels, restaurants and golf courses after the county health officer imposed the coronavirus lockdown order March 18. An easing of restrictions, though, allowed the company to reopen its golf courses the first week of May, starting with the Pebble Beach Golf Links and Spyglass Hill, both of which opened May 4.

After further constraints were eased last weekend, Pebble Beach is now allowing customers to return to its restaurants and retail stores, and hotels, including The Lodge at Pebble Beach and the Inn at Spanish Bay, will be open June 15.

Restaurants to reopen Monday are the Lodge Terrace Lounge, the Lobby Lounge & Firepits at Spanish Bay, Peppoli, Roy's and Traps. For retail, the pro shops at Pebble Beach, Spanish Bay and Spyglass Hill golf courses will open their doors, too.

"We are very happy to take the next step in reopening our resort," Pebble Beach Company CEO Bill Perocchi told The Pine Cone. "The Bench, Tap Room and the Gallery Café are now open for dine in, as well as some retail shops in the Lodge arcade, including The Heritage Shop, The Lone Cypress Shop, The Women's Shop and the Jim Nantz clothing store."

Seventeen Mile Drive and the Pebble Beach Visitor Center and Pebble Beach Market are also back in business.

"As we reopen each facility, it is with a new set of tailored operating procedures designed to help ensure the health and safety of our employees and guests," he said.

The company performed a thorough assessment of its health and safety practices,

and Perocchi said the result is a "comprehensive health, safety and social distancing program that addresses the needs of today's environment and is designed with a singular purpose — to help ensure the health and safety of every guest and employee while not compromising the Pebble Beach experience."

The company consulted with healthcare and sanitation experts and is training every employee on the new protocol to try to stop the spread of the virus. A summary of the procedures can be found on the company's website.

For instance, the resort is focusing on minimizing "touch points" for guests, visitors and its staff, and will no longer accept cash for payment. It will also sanitize phones, workstations, handles and other frequently touched surfaces hourly and upon shift changes.

Last hometown, too

Business owners in Pacific Grove also started welcoming customers back inside. Artisana Gallery owner Adrienne Jonson reopened the doors to her store last week and is asking people to disinfect their hands upon entering and maintain the 6-foot distancing requirement.

"We have had a few shoppers so far," Jonson said the first day she reopened the shop, which offers eclectic items and gifts, from jewelry to wind chimes "We've heard from several customers that they just don't feel safe enough yet to get out and shop like they did in the past. We understand this, particularly from our customers who are 65 and over."

But customers of the store at 612 Lighthouse Ave. have largely been appreciative.

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public to be patient, considering the city will have fewer people on hand to get work around town done.

“I respectfully ask for community patience and understanding as city staff work diligently to provide services as responsibly as possible under this new paradigm,” he wrote in his budget message.

In a letter to the mayor and city council, union labor relations representative Ryan Heron suggested cuts should be made at the supervisory and executive levels in order to preserve the jobs of “the very people who make this city run on a daily basis.”

“These layoffs are not only devastating and heartbreaking to the city due to the reduction in services that will be seen, but to the individuals in these roles who will be losing their jobs, and to the families that they support.”

Take cuts at the top

In fact, city administrator Chip Rerig already agreed to reduce pay to his deferred compensation by 10 percent of his salary, which will cut the cost of employing him by \$19,655 this year, and other upper-level staff have agreed to take pay cuts, too. The proposed budget reflects a pay reduction of 5 percent for the executive team, not including Rerig, though he is negotiating with each person to get that reduction closer to 10 percent.

But, he said, those additional pay cuts will not save anyone’s job. Instead, they may reduce the amount of savings the city has to use to balance its budget.

The spending plan also anticipates a \$708,000 re-

duction in spending on services and supplies, for a total around \$9 million. Some of the largest outlays include \$2.5 million for fire service, \$1.6 million in retirement debt, \$847,000 for Sunset Center bonds, and insurance, which costs \$713,000.

Five years?

Revenue projections include a paltry \$2.5 million in hotel taxes — compared with the nearly \$6.9 million received during the 2018-2019 fiscal year — and \$5 million in sales taxes, including the city tax that increases from 1 percent to 1.5 percent as of July 1. Property taxes remain consistent, estimated at \$6.8 million, compared with just over \$6.5 million in 2018-2019.

While Rerig and budgets and contracts director Sharon Friedrichsen didn’t have the draft budget ready to present to the city council at its June 2 meeting, they gave a presentation on the basics of the plan.

“It’s going to take us five years to climb back out of this trough,” Rerig said. “We’re going to have to make do less with less.”

Councilman Jeff Baron wondered at the wisdom of giving the \$616,000 annual “operating grant” to Sunset Center and Forest Theater, considering the center in particular has been dark since mid-March and is “going to basically be shuttered for the year.”

Councilwoman Carrie Theis said she appreciated Rerig’s efforts to reduce the number of layoffs, while also encouraging the council and the city staff to consider any possible way to save more jobs.

Mayor Dave Potter wondered if there is any way to get at the \$714,000 in parking in-lieu fees, considering they

have been sitting in an account but probably won’t ever get spent because construction of a parking garage anywhere in the city is highly unlikely.

“What are the strings that keep us from accessing those dollars, and is there a way to free those dollars up?” he asked.

ARTIST

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Pine Cone.

Hanson started producing the masks a few weeks ago. So far, she’s made them with 30 different designs, including ones that showcase the beauty of Big Sur and Carmel.

“I license my artwork through Fine Art America, and they started offering artwork-printed face masks through their website,” she explained. “I immediately jumped on the idea and selected a few dozen of my paintings that I thought would work well as masks.”

Hanson isn’t the only artist putting her art on face masks — all over the world, people are using their creativity to make their face coverings more beautiful or interesting.

“We’ve seen so many talented artists pivot their efforts toward making masks in recent weeks. This serves as both a practical measure — masks are clearly popular items to buy these days — but also as a way to add some color and expression to what can be a constricting piece of clothing both to wear and to see on others,” Allyson Hitte of the museum said.

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VIRUS

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cultural industry to Monterey County every year during this time to pick crops, “definitely could be contributing to increases in the number of cases we have here.”

If workers “travel from another part of California or from another state to Monterey County to work and they come from a place with a higher rate of Covid-19 than we have, there is probably a higher risk they have been exposed,” Moreno explained.

Of the 814 people in Monterey County known to have been infected with the novel coronavirus since the first reported case here began in March, 320 of them — nearly 40 percent — have been agricultural workers.

Last week, Moreno said that increased testing, farmworkers living in crowded conditions, and attendance at recent gatherings, including Mother’s Day and Memorial Day events, were reasons for the spike in cases in Salinas Valley and South County. He also said that expanded reopening of the economy could cause increases, but did not

mention growing season as a possible cause.

The health officer this week did not explain the reason for a large spike Sunday of 30 new cases in King City, a town of 14,000, and whether that could also be due to the harvest migration. Instead, he spoke very generally about the possibility of gatherings causing an increase of Covid-19 cases.

“Without giving many details right now, I can share with you that we do have, from time to time, events,” he told reporters. “We do have, like large family gatherings that, just an example, can lead to, within a week or two, a large number of cases. And if those individuals have symptoms, they may get tested and then we have an increase.”

It’s unclear if Moreno did not know the reason for the spike of infections in King City or was withholding details over patient privacy concerns.

Exceeded standards

The rise of cases in Salinas and Salinas Valley is concerning, since Moreno said Monday that closing off business sectors that have reopened is “definitely” an option he would consider if it continues. More than 85 percent of the cases have been in Salinas and the Salinas Valley.

“If it can’t be remedied because the virus has changed or is doing something different, then yeah, it’s definitely a possibility we would have to become more restrictive in Monterey County, if not statewide,” he said.

Health director Elsa Jimenez said Wednesday that the county would look at the indicators as a whole, not individually, in determining whether to “rethink its reopening strategy.”

Among the factors the county would consider is the ability to protect vulnerable populations, such as seniors, ensuring that skilled nursing facilities have enough personal protective equipment to last for at least 14 days, and the ability of the county’s four hospitals to handle a surge of virus patients.

Moreno said Wednesday that the county has exceeded its 14-day cumulative incident rate per 100,000 people threshold. While it set a threshold of 23 per every 100,000, it’s now at 69. He said it has surpassed its overall test positivity rate for the past seven days — also an indicator of the prevalence of the virus in the county.

“We were 2.3 when we submitted the attestation form,”

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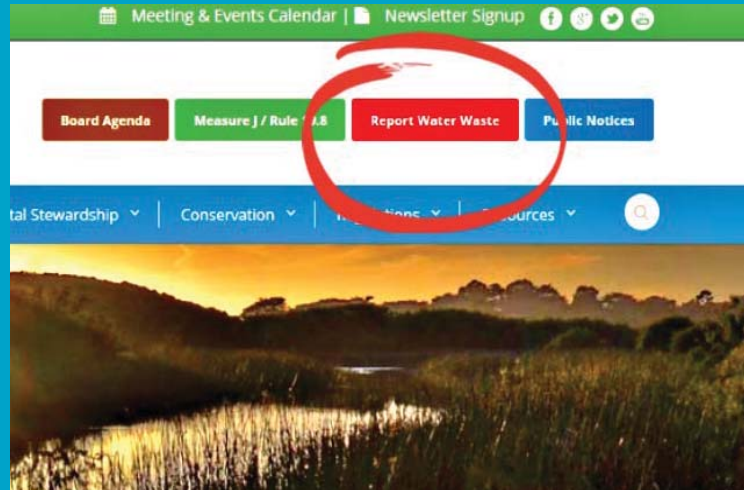
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GYMS

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Monterey assistant city manager Nat Rojanasathira told The Pine Cone. The city owns and operates the facility.

“Our sports center team has been hard at work planning for the reopening of our world-class fitness facility,” Rojanasathira said. “We have relocated weight and cardio equipment for at least 10 feet of social distancing — be-

yond the 6 feet required.”

Those who decide to return to their gyms of choice could face many changes, though, including the state’s recommendation that gym-goers make reservations to work out, something Rojanasathira said the city is going to impose.

The state also requires that customers’ temperatures be checked upon arrival and that they are asked to use hand sanitizer.

The regulations are also burdensome on gym owners and employees, since they will have to adhere to much

stricter cleaning protocols. For instance, they must “develop a detailed schedule and adjust or modify operating hours to provide adequate time for regular, thorough cleaning and disinfecting throughout the day.”

Employees must also be trained to “use and have an adequate supply of all-purpose cleaners and disinfectants,” and gym owners should consider installing “high-efficiency air cleaners, upgrading the building’s air filters to the highest efficiency possible, and making other modifications to increase the quantity of outside air and ventilation in offices and other spaces.” Oh, and gyms must clean their heating, ventilation and cooling system’s “intakes and returns daily,” according to the state.

Signs should be placed throughout facilities emphasizing basic infection prevention measures, including the “importance of wearing face coverings and frequent hand-washing.” Gyms also must install partitions or floor markings to ensure distancing, and workout equipment must be at least six feet apart, with greater distancing for treadmills and other “high-exertion” fitness equipment.

When confirming patrons’ reservations, gym employees must ask if “they or someone in their household is exhibiting any signs of Covid-19 symptoms.”

Despite the state’s new mandates, Rojanasathira said the sports center will be prepared, and that to ensure the safety of its members and the public, it’s “developing staffing plans, identifying hours of operations, establishing member screening protocols, and ensuring that all amenities and equipment are clean for our users.”

The sports center will offer some exercise classes immediately upon reopening, but they will be held outside on the sun deck or other areas, Rojanasathira said.

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Moreno said Wednesday. “We gave ourselves a limit or threshold of eight. We’re at 11, so a little bit lower today than the last couple of days.”

It would “not be unexpected to have data that suggests” the virus is “more prevalent over time,” he explained.

Though he seldom comments on the financial devastation the shutdown has caused, on Wednesday Moreno noted that there are “businesses that have been out of work for many months and it’s had a toll on the economy.”

Jimenez and other department heads last week signed a letter endorsing public protests over the death of Minneapolis man George Floyd while in police custody — just hours after the county health officer warned residents not to attend gatherings, even those with family members.

Moreno and other county officials this week struggled to try to reconcile their support of public protests while previously not allowing parishioners to attend religious services or funerals with more than 10 people.

Asked Monday whether Moreno supported the public protests given the inherent risks of being infected with Covid-19, he refused to say. However, he did say “we probably will” have more infections in the county because of the demonstrations, which included one in Monterey Tuesday that attracted hundreds of people.

County administrative officer Charles McKee, who signed the letter — which did not mention the elevated health risks related to public protesting — would not say whether the county had a double standard in allowing protests while barring other public activities. He did concede that “guidance on good health practices could have appropriately been included” in the county’s protest letter, which was also signed by Natividad Medical Center CEO Dr. Gary Gray and county Sheriff Steve Bernal.

While the state has said protesting is OK during the pandemic, and many county and state officials turned a blind eye to the health risks, last week, Dr. Anthony Fauci said public demonstrations are a “perfect setup” for the spread of the virus.

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HOTELS

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you've got the people, it will cost you more to be open," she said.

Chicourrat also knows many of the businesses near the Portola heavily rely on its guests. "I want to see all the little businesses around us succeed," she said. "We have a social responsibility to try to get people back on their feet."

Ready, set, go

For months, Theis, Crowe and others have been discussing how to best care for their guests and employees while the virus still presents a risk. One result was the Carmel Innkeepers Clean & Safe Commitment. The pledge succinctly outlines the rules for guests and employees — like social distancing and wearing masks — and promises everything will be cleaned and sanitized as much as possible, employees will be trained accordingly, check-in and check-out procedures will be safe, and plenty of signs will be posted to ensure everyone knows what to do. It also states continental breakfasts and other food services will be handled in accordance with Monterey County public health rules.

Last week, the state released its 15-page "Covid-19 Industry Guidance: Hotels, Lodging, and Short-Term Rentals," and while to document may be unwieldy, it didn't contain any surprises, according to Theis.

"Every time different protocols have come out, we have taken a look at ours and updated them, and we haven't found anything that we haven't covered," Theis said. "Ours were pretty complete, because we'd been doing so much reading and even comparing what the larger hotels are doing, even though not everything applies to us."

Crowe said the pledge was the result of a lot of col-

laboration. "I liked seeing that our hospitality community came together so quickly," she said. "And that we all made a pledge to commit ourselves to these practices is good, too. There's just a spirit of people trying to help each other, which I really appreciate."

Chicourrat played a key role, as well. Not only did she help develop protocols for the county to consider, she also weighed in at the state level. "She looked across a number of industry partners and associations and tried to find the best practices that made the most sense for this area," Crowe said.

Chicourrat agreed the process has united people in her industry as they have shared ideas about how to handle everything, from screening employees when they arrive at work, to being as hospitable as possible from 6 feet away. She has also visited other hotels to see how they're operating and has come away with ideas of what might work at the Portola.

Until the coronavirus epidemic ends, hotel visits may be somewhat austere experiences, but operators are doing their best to extend warmth any way they can.

"The rooms look really bare — we don't have any extra pens or paper, extra pillows, magazines — anything like that," Theis said.

Cleaning rooms takes longer, since employees have to wipe down every surface and object. The state also suggests leaving rooms vacant for 24 to 72 hours between guests, if possible.

"And we had to rethink our breakfast, because part of our family hospitality was having breakfast with people," Theis said. The small continental breakfast traditionally available in the lobby is now placed on trays for guests to enjoy in their rooms.

"It's a little less personal, so for me, it's a challenge," she said, adding that she also misses hugging longtime repeat guests. "Trying to deliver family hospitality and not hug someone is difficult."

At La Playa, the "incredible breakfast we were known for," is history, too, since "you can't do buffet anymore," Crowe said. Instead, guests will be given trays to take to their rooms or the patio, or anywhere else on its gorgeously landscaped grounds. Food at its bar, Bud's, will all be made to go, even if guests are enjoying it there.

"Then they can have the dining experience that they're most comfortable with," she said.

Other personal touches, like cookies at the front desk and wine and socializing in the lobby in the evenings, are changing, too. Turndown service is going by the wayside, and rooms will only be cleaned after departure.

"We will keep working with guests to find out ways to do things for them, and at a distance. That's the hardest part: figuring out how to do it at a distance," Crowe said. "I'm a big believer in asking the guests what's meaningful to them."

Hoteliers are also asking visitors and locals to be patient with them and with each other.

"I think our locals need to be accepting of our industry," Chicourrat commented. "And if you are afraid, don't go out. Don't put yourself in harm's way."

Taking a toll

During a conference call with reporters Wednesday, Moreno agreed. Even though people will now be allowed to travel to Monterey County for fun, it's safer to stay home.

"That's why the state health officer's stay-at-home order is still in effect," he said. "That is still the best way to decrease an individual's risk for getting exposed or exposing somebody else."

But, he acknowledged, the prolonged closure of businesses "has had a toll on the economy," and as more sectors reopen, people are going to decide they want to go out to dinner, get haircuts and travel.

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MARY E. BOYKEN

1930 - 2020

Mary E. Boyken passed away peacefully on June 2 in Monterey after a long illness. Previously she had lived in Carmel-by-the-Sea and Carmel Valley. Born in San Francisco, Mary grew up in Burlingame, California, and graduated from Stanford University. She headed East and worked for Time magazine in New York. She then moved to Washington, D.C. to begin her career as an editor with the



U.S. Information Agency, working on a publication for the then Soviet Union and Poland and later for a magazine distributed worldwide by the Agency's offices overseas. In recognition of her judgment and experience, the Agency sent her on a trip around the world to assess the effectiveness of its products in several countries. After almost 30 years, she fulfilled a long held dream and retired to Carmel. Her interest in international issues continued as she became active with the World Affairs Council of Monterey and designed and produced its newsletter, Passport. While living at Quail Lodge she was instrumental in creating its newsletter, Quail Call. Earlier she volunteered with meal delivery for the Carmel Foundation. Mary was kind and generous, intelligent and witty. Her absence will be felt by all who knew her.

Mary is survived by her friend and companion Gabrielle Walters at the Park Lane in Monterey, beloved niece Stacy Murphy (John), dear nephew Mike Fennelly and daughters Amy Jean and Jaqueline Hope Fennelly, Jim Fennelly (Maria) and their sons Louie Fennelly (Stephanie) and Richard Fennelly.

A special appreciation is deserved for the caregivers of Park Lane and those from Central Coast Senior Services, Cecelia, Salwa and especially Gabriela.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Carmel Foundation, Hospice of the Central Coast, Harrison Memorial Library in Carmel or favorite charity.

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shop with us again in person," she said. "Our customers have been utilizing our website to shop for now, but it's just not the same as the in-person experience of being able to see colors, touch, smell, hear our many wonderful gift items."

Amrish Patel, owner of the Centrella Inn at 612 Central Ave., said opening the inn's doors to the public June 12 is an exciting prospect for the city.

"This is really good news, not just from a Peninsula commerce perspective, but also the community," Patel told The Pine Cone Thursday. "Almost everyone feels relieved that they can now go out and start to live life, keeping in mind all of the safety precautions we have in place."

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\$6.9 million of the city's \$24.9 million in annual revenues. That income stream tanked as soon as the shutdown took effect and is expected to generate just \$2.5 million next year, thanks to the virus and the resulting recession.

Marketing

Amy Herzog, executive director of the city's tourism group, Visit Carmel, said the group's marketing efforts have morphed from initially telling people to stay away, to suggesting it was OK to daydream about returning, to cautiously welcoming them back. She is also publicizing the Carmel Innkeepers' pledge in an effort to educate travelers, especially those coming from places where social distancing and masks are not required.

"One of Visit Carmel's priorities is to make sure we're educating our visitors, not only about the safety measures that have been implemented, but our expectations of their behavior when they're in our community," she said.

Herzog noted that for the first time, Visit Carmel is focusing some of its efforts on communicating with the locals, not just with potential travelers.

"There's bound to be trepidation, especially in the community," about the return of tourists, she said. "Visit Carmel is using the pledge to educate the visitor on the measures that have been taken throughout our entire community to keep them safe and to reassure our local residents that we are prepared for this."

The group is also working with the Monterey County Convention and Visitors Bureau, innkeepers and others to design banners that will hang along Ocean Avenue to remind people of the need to wear masks, keep their distance, and follow other safety measures. They are also developing signs for businesses.

Patel said the inn, which had been open for essential healthcare workers and others, already has bookings, mostly from guests who live within driving distance, such as Fresno and the San Francisco Bay area.

Other shops in P.G. that reopened include Habitat, A Niche in Time and Glenn Gobel Custom Framing, while The Beach House at Lovers Point, First Awakenings and Vivolo's Chowder House are among the restaurants offer-

ing dining in again.

Pacific Grove Mayor Bill Peake said he's been to shops and restaurants in town that have reopened and said all have proper health protocols in place.

"It is acknowledged that time will be needed before customers return in numbers seen before Covid-19, but the reopening currently underway is a start," Peake told The Pine Cone last week.

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Richard (Dick) Emilio Razo

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Richard (Dick) Emilio Razo, 93, passed away on Thursday May 14, 2020, at a care facility in Placerville, Ca. Dick was born on February 17, 1927 in Wilber, Illinois, the son of Natividad and Ruperta (Fernandez) Razo. Dick was a great athlete as a child and enjoyed playing baseball and basketball with his siblings Dave, Frank, John and Salvador.

In 1944, Dick enlisted in the Navy and served in Hawaii during the final days of World War II as a Seaman First Class. He was awarded the Victory Medal and was honorably discharged in 1946.

From his first marriage, Dick had four children. He is survived by his daughter Lillian (Razo) Gochenouer, her children Michelle Hamernik, Ray Stinson, Damon George, Alethea George, Simona George and Diantha George, her 9 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren; his daughter Lou Ann (Razo) Vogel, her children Heather Vogel, Cassidy Vogel and Rachael Gaulden and her 3 grandchildren. Passed are his daughter Barbara Jean Razo and Richard Razo Jr. and one granddaughter, Nikki Vogel.

In 1971, Dick wed Betty Padilla in Fullerton, California and the two were married for 30 years until her passing in 2001. For the 19 years following her passing, Dick went to sleep each night with a picture on his bedside table of the two of them dancing together. He would kiss the photo often and think of her.

Dick and Betty are survived by her son Roman Padilla, his children Roman Padilla Jr., Judah (Padilla) Matthews, Jesse Padilla and Jessica Martin and his 7 grandchildren; her daughter Lillian Padilla, her two children Jeremy Stock and Heidi Stock and her granddaughter. Passed are children Betty Anne (Padilla) Carlson and Richard Padilla. Betty Anne (Padilla) Carlson is survived by her three boys David Carlson, Chris Carlson and Nick Carlson and her four grandchildren.

Dick was notorious for his love of music, dancing sports and outdoor activities. To his grandchildren he was always known as 'Papa' and he would take them hiking, fishing and throw a baseball or football with them for hours. Even into his late 80s, Dick was an avid exercise enthusiast, walking with heavy rocks to strengthen his chiseled arms and swimming daily to keep a toned physique.

Dick was very patriotic and proud of his service in the Navy, as Captain of the Yerington, Nevada American Legion along with other posts throughout his lifetime. Dick could often be seen wearing his American Legion hat proudly with American flags pinned to the front.

Dick's wishes were to be cremated and his ashes spread with his beloved Betty. The family will hold a service later this summer when all can congregate together to celebrate his life.



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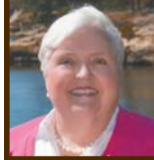


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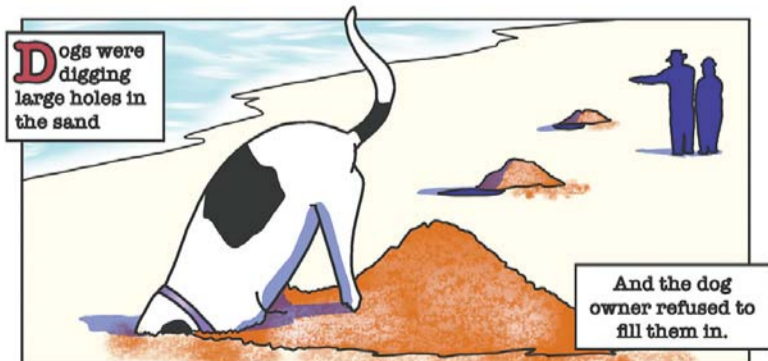
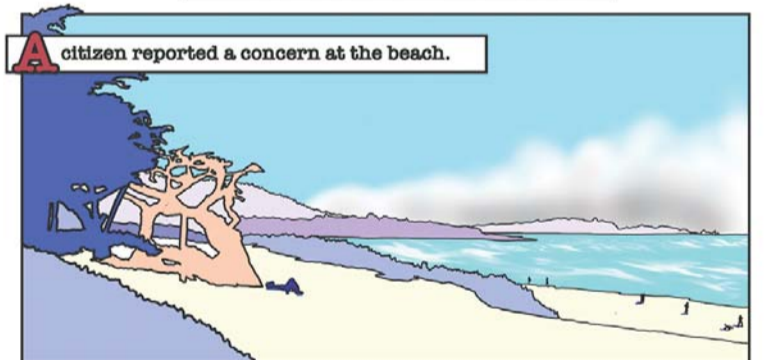
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Gallery North bets bigger is better with move two blocks away

By CHRIS COUNTS

AFTER 16 years at the corner of Dolores and Sixth, Gallery North moved two blocks south last week to a space more than three times as large — and if all goes according to plan, the gallery will be open again by this weekend.

Owner **Barbara Kreitman** told The Pine Cone she's anticipating that city hall will give the gallery the new permit it needs for the site.

"We're just waiting for it to be official," Kreitman said. "By the time the next Pine Cone comes out, our doors will likely be open."

Now located on Dolores between Ocean and Seventh, in the former Trio space, the gallery is about 1,300 square feet, which is much larger than its former location. The owner said she is looking forward to hanging more paintings than she could before.

"It's bittersweet to be leaving, but we're so excited to be moving into our new, more spacious location just down the street," she continued.

The gallery is also closer to the heart of Carmel. "We love the location," she added. "It's in the hub of downtown Carmel, with all those wonderful restaurants nearby."

The gallery represents 16 contemporary abstract painters, including Kreitman, **Cynthia Johnson Bianchetta**, **Gustavo Torres**, **Rick Carpenter** and others. It also represents seven artists from the post-World War II era who were part of the abstract expressionist movement.

For more about the gallery, call (831) 620-1987.

Young photographers win scholarships

With its darkroom in Seaside closed due to the coronavirus shutdown — and a fundraising online auction in progress — the nonprofit Weston Collective this week announced the winners of its annual student scholarship competition.

"We had 100 submissions this year," executive director **Zach Weston** reported. "I was super impressed with the quality of work that was submitted — even with schools being shut down during the last semester, students rallied and created some beautiful work."

First place winners included **Eleni Antonopoulou** of Monterey Peninsula College (who took home the Roman Loranc Fine Art Award), **Alice Romano** of Pacific Grove High School (who won the Julian P. Graham Award), **Liz**

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Restaurants, bars welcoming back live music

By CHRIS COUNTS

NO LONGER just a fading echo from the pre-coronavirus days, live music has returned to at least two venues on the Monterey Peninsula — with a few precautions — and will soon be back elsewhere as well.

"I opened up the Beer Garden at the Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley on Friday," singer-songwriter **Rick Chelew** told The Pine Cone. "It was fully within the bounds of social distancing — people came in with masks and wore them when they could."

Chelew said everybody seemed to be having a good time. "There was such a feeling of joy at getting back together again," he reported.

This Friday, June 12, singer-songwriters **Tom Faia** and **Kate Miller** are set to perform in the cafe's Beer Garden, which is located at 3 Del Fino Place. The next night, the rock band **Klevr** takes the stage. Both shows start at 6 p.m.

Also playing live last week was singer-songwriter **Kiki Wow**, who entertained diners Saturday at Roux restaurant, which is located at 6 Pilot Road. She said some even got up and danced — but still managed to keep their distance

from one another.

"It was awesome," Wow said. "They had outdoor seating, and each table was 6 feet apart from others. I made so much in tips — it really helped a lot."

In P.G. and Monterey, too

Two blocks along Lighthouse Avenue in Pacific Grove will be closed starting Friday, making it possible for restaurants to offer dining with distancing — and for musicians to play live.

"Join us for a unique outdoor dining and shopping experience," the city announced this week. "This 30-day trial is being undertaken in an effort to accommodate the Covid-19 shelter-in-place requirements that limit restaurant dining, and to provide an opportunity for a safe, fun, outdoor gathering space featuring food and wares from businesses throughout Pacific Grove, and not just the downtown."

The city will close down both sides of Lighthouse Avenue to cars between 16th Street and Forest Avenue, and

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Community Meeting –
Rio Road CIPP Lining Project**

The District is planning to start rehabilitation work on the sewer trunkline located along Rio Road, between Carmel Rancho Boulevard and the Carmel Mission.

The District is hosting a virtual meeting on June 17, 2020 at 6 p.m. to provide an overview of what to expect. A representative from Insituform Technologies will be available to explain the process of pipe lining and respond to any concerns that you may have. Our Construction Manager from PSOMAS Construction will be available to discuss how we can make the experience as easy as possible for you. Our District Engineer, Rachél Lather and our sewer Collections Superintendent, Daryl Lauer will lead the discussion and presentation.

To access the meeting via ZOOM please visit our website homepage at www.cawd.org and use Webinar ID #847 4610 5146 or call 1 (669) 900-9128 or 1 (346) 248-7799

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Tasting rooms ready, help needed, baking for pride, and a tribute to Will's Fargo

JUNE 12 is a big day for Monterey County, with the reopening of winetasting, drinking in bars, travel for fun and other activities that have been on the “no” list since the coronavirus shutdown began in mid-March.

When news broke over the weekend that county health officer Dr. Ed Moreno would allow those types of businesses to reopen after the governor announced he was loosening more restrictions, Kim Stemler, executive director of the Monterey County Vintners & Growers Association, said she and the dozens of winery owners that belong to the organization were ready to go.

She and industry leaders have been meeting weekly for the past two months to create guidelines, train employees, and revise their plans and protocols as more direction came from the CDC and the state. Stemler and her board also worked with Monterey County supervisors Chris Lopez

ing room host seat you rather than seating yourself, and wearing a mask until you're sitting down. People should also try to keep their distance from those not in their group, of course.

She also encouraged guests to be patient as everyone figures out how to manage activities like winetasting with numerous Covid-19-related restrictions in place.

Al fresco would be good

“The other thing we're doing is working with the county and several cities to try to expand into outdoor areas,” Stemler said, which is particularly critical in Carmel, where many of the tasting rooms are very small and can therefore only accommodate a few people at a time inside. “This is recommended in the state guidance, and it's also allowed by regulations.”

The state Alcoholic Beverage Control board relaxed many of its restrictions on serving and drinking alcohol outside during the pandemic in order to help restaurants and consumers.

“We've been working on coordinated plans and what that will look like for winetasting,” she said.

So far, in Carmel at least, city leaders haven't been receptive to giving up public space for tasting rooms to host people outside. Restaurants are allowed to set tables up on sidewalks and parking spaces in order to serve more people, but alcohol

consumption isn't allowed in those areas, either. The city council is set to discuss it further at a June 16 special meeting.

Regarding marketing Monterey County wineries, although leisure travel is officially allowed as of Friday, Stemler said the association is focusing its efforts on residents.

“We're encouraging locals to come out, rather than reaching out to the surrounding regions,” she said.

While some tasting rooms are ready to pull the trigger as soon as the morning of June 12 arrives — Manzoni Vineyards announced its tasting room on San Carlos south of Ocean is reopening at noon that day, followed by the tasting room at its vineyards on Saturday at 11 a.m. — others are taking things more slowly.

“Some tasting rooms are not going to be open full time,” Stemler said.

Scheid open

Stefani Chaney, director of hospitality for Scheid, said tastings are by appointment only, made through the winery's website (scheidvineyards.com) or by phone ((831) 626-9463), at the tasting room at San Carlos and Seventh and at the winery in Greenfield.

“For Carmel, we took two of the four barrel tables out, and all the stools, and measured off a 6-foot distance between the tables and the bar,” she said. A new private room in the back can accommodate groups of up to six people.

“For our estate winery location in Greenfield, we will offer tasting flights, and wines by the glass and bottle, on our fabulous patios,” she continued. “Our teak tables are already separated by 8 feet.”

Also at the winery, Stonies food truck will be there Saturday and Sunday from noon to 3 p.m., and on Sunday, Chasing Windmills will play there, also from noon to 3 p.m.

See you next month

Bernardus Winery, meanwhile, won't open its tasting room in Carmel Valley Village until mid-July,

according to manager Heather Rammel. During the next few weeks, tasting room staff will help bottle the 2018 Marinus, 2019 Santa Lucia Highlands pinot noir and estate cabernet at the winery in Jamesburg.

And when the “soft opening” does happen the week of July 13, she said, tastings will only be offered outside and will be by appointment only. No groups larger than six people will be allowed, and customers will be required to wear masks and sanitize their hands when they arrive. For updates and other details, go to bernardus.com.

Already at it

Wineries that serve food, and were therefore allowed to reopen a couple of weeks ago alongside restaurants, include Folktale and Joyce. The Annex wine bar in the Crossroads is included in that category, too, and owner Ashleigh Hutchison was thrilled to be able to welcome customers back into her place next to The Crossroads Barbeque.

Last week, she began offering a limited food menu, as well as beer and wine, and said the “isolation booths” in her bar easily accommodate social distancing. The Annex also has outdoor seating, a bench area, and space for disabled visitors. “I am not sure if bar stools are going to be allowed — many of us are scratching our heads on that,” she said. “But I think I should be able

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Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

and Luis Alejo, as well as the Wine Institute and neighboring wine regions, to develop the protocols they presented to the board of supervisors in late May.

From a customer standpoint, some of the basics, Stemler said, include calling ahead to make reservations, letting the tast-



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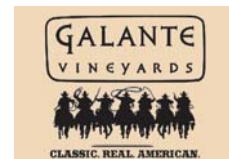
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to have about six stools down the bar in groups of two.”

The Annex is open from 1 to around 6 p.m. daily. Call (831) 250-7471 or visit annexcarmel.com.

Ag workers needed

While Monterey County's unemployment rate has skyrocketed due to the coronavirus-induced shutdown, grape grower and winery owner Steve McIntyre said earlier this month that vineyard owners and farmers need help picking their crops.

“We in agriculture — not just solely Monterey County — are scrambling to find enough help to work in the vineyards on a piece-rate basis making \$18 to \$20 per hour. If you're willing to pick strawberries or snap peas, you could easily make twice that much,” he said. “I know it's hard work, but if anyone out there needs to support themselves or their family, please let us know, we will point you in the right direction.” McIntyre can be reached through mcintyrevineyards.com.

Montrio, Tarp's, Rio to open

Montrio Bistro, Tarp's Roadhouse and Rio Grill will welcome in-room diners beginning June 15 and will still offer curbside pickup, too. Each menu for indoor dining and takeout lists longtime favorites and other great dishes, and all three restaurants also work with Doorbell Dining for home delivery.

Montrio Bistro at 414 Calle Principal in Monterey will

be open at 4:30 p.m. for Happy Hour and dinner nightly from 5 to 9 p.m. For the full menu and more information, visit montrio.com. Call (831) 648-8880 with questions.

Rio Grill at the Crossroads shopping center will be accommodating diners (reserve at (831) 625-5436) and private parties (reserve at (831) 625-5437) between 11:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Visit riogrill.com for more.

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between Grand and Fountain avenues.

During the inaugural event Friday, Chelew and others from **Andrea's Fault Quartet** — singer **Andrea Carter**, guitarist **Darrin Michell** and saxophonist **Ben Herod** — will play jazz and blues from 6 to 8 p.m.

The group will play again the following night, Saturday, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Wild Fish restaurant, which is located at 545 Lighthouse Ave. in Pacific Grove.

At Sly McFly's in Monterey, live music is scheduled to return this weekend, with **The Money Band Duo** playing Friday at 9 p.m., and the full Money Band performing Saturday at the same time. Reservations are recommended.

“We will be ramping up the fun this Friday,” the restaurant and bar at 700 Cannery Row said this week on social media.

CALENDAR

Through June 20 – Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District is offering at-home activities, featuring the most breathtaking summer wildflowers! You're virtually invited to explore native plants and get crafty with some flower-based fun. Please visit www.mprpd.org

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June 23 – Aspire Health Plan Presents: Healthy Gut, Healthy Immune System, a Virtual Community Connections Class, 10 to 11 a.m. Building your immune system means more than loading up on vitamin C. Learn the importance of certain foods, and pre-biotics and probiotics. This event is free and open to all. We ask you to register so we can know how many people to expect. RSVP to (877) 663-7651, or www.aspirehealthplan.org/connections2020. Call or register to receive the participation details for these free online events.

June 24 – Aspire Health Plan Presents: Emotional Eating, a Virtual Community Connections Class, 10 to 11 a.m. During the COVID shelter-in-place, do you find yourself eating when you aren't hungry? Join us to learn what emotional eating is, how it works, and strategies for dealing with it. This event is free and open to all. We ask you to register so we can know how many people to expect. RSVP to (877) 663-7651, or www.aspirehealthplan.org/connections2020

June 26 – Aspire Health Plan Presents: Advance Care Planning, a Virtual Community Connections Class, 10 to 11 a.m. It's never too early to make your wishes known. If you have an accident or serious illness, who would make decisions for you? Join Joy Smith, RN, MSN, as she walks us through how to make your wishes known to health care professionals and your family. These events are free and open to all. We ask you to register so we can know how many people to expect. RSVP to (877) 663-7651, or www.aspirehealthplan.org/connections2020

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Tarpy's Roadhouse at Highway 68 and Canyon del Rey will also be open daily at 11:30 a.m. Call (831) 647-1444 or visit tarpys.com for more information.

■ Cal's Fargo

In an homage to the late Will's Fargo restaurant in Carmel Valley Village, a favorite among locals for decades and owned for several years by late Bernardus Lodge

founder Ben Pon, lodge executive chef Cal Stamenov is preparing a takeout feast of favorites for Father's Day, with food available for pickup June 19-21.

The menu includes an organic relish tray, cheesy garlic bread, a choice of salads, "stuffed" potatoes, 26 oz. prime rib and Meyer lemon shortcake. Dinner for two costs \$99 plus tax and 20 percent service charge, and additional meals may be ordered in increments of two. To order, call (831) 658-3400 at least 24 hours in advance. Bernardus Lodge is located at 415 W. Carmel Valley Road at Laureles Grade.

cheddar pretzel bun, two chocolate tea-cakes, hazelnut and caramel pastry, Mexican sweet bread, a mini apricot pie, and two gourmet donuts.

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Among the 860 kids who went to Carmel High, 489

gets real busy as a junior and senior,” he said. “They have to balance all of those things, and they also have to get pretty lucky. Some kids are in a position where they have to get a job and can’t play a sport. Or they get injured and are unable to play.”

Students at Carmel High are encouraged to play multiple sports, and 243 did this year.

“Pretty much nothing about it isn’t a grind,” said Iron Man Award winner Nico Staehle, who played football every fall (he caught 36 passes as a senior, third-best on a sectional semifinals team), soccer in winter (when he was a first-team All-Cypress Division pick), and baseball each spring (a sport his grandfather, Marv Staehle, played in the major leagues). “I’m a kid who also likes to fill my schedule with advanced courses, and one of the hardest parts is going to practice every afternoon when other kids are heading home, using that time to study. You get home completely exhausted, and that’s when you have to start on the homework that everybody else got to finish hours ago.”

Sleepy swimmer

Staehle is likely to study business and creative media at the University of Hawaii, where he also might try to make the soccer team as an unrecruited walk-on.

“The sport that probably wore me out the most was swimming,” said Lauren Aiello, who will major in psychology at the University of San Diego. “There were times during swim season that I’d be falling asleep doing my homework.”

Avoiding injuries

Aiello, who also played field hockey and soccer, swam her first three years at Carmel, but switched to track and field as a senior to complete her quest for Iron Woman status.

“I think I started playing sports as a freshman mainly to get out of P.E. class, but then I realized how much I liked having something to do after school, instead of just coming home,” she said.

Grace Parker was a diver and swimmer during her first three years at Carmel High, but, like Aiello, opted to compete in track and field as a senior.

“I ended my soccer season this year with a pretty bad concussion, and didn’t want to dive or swim because of the possibility of another head injury,” said the second-team All-Cypress Division water polo player.

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

played at least one interscholastic sport. Among those student-athletes, only nine played a sport in every season of their high school years, freshman through senior, earning the coveted Iron Man and Iron Woman award.

Was it fun? You bet. Was it difficult? Oh, yes.

“I wouldn’t have said this 25 years ago, when I played, because there were a lot fewer things to do back then,” said Carmel athletic director Golden Anderson (Class of ’97). “I look at the number of things today’s students involve themselves in academically and socially, and I don’t know how they find the time.”

“No. 1, you’ve got to love sports, even when your life



(From left) Nathan Miglaw led Carmel with 27 goals this season in water polo. Nico Staehle caught 36 passes this year before breaking his collarbone in the regular-season football finale. Amaya Gomez earned second-team All-Cypress honors in soccer. Lauren Aiello competed in field hockey, soccer, swimming and track as a Padre. And Hunter Heger could score from long range for the CCS champion Padres.

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Editorial

The new reality

SINCE THE county's shelter-in-place order started to loosen with the reopening of golf courses May 4, we've received numerous emails and letters to the editor suggesting that the shutdown was ending "too soon" because the virus was still active in the county.

Likewise at the national level, where these days prominent news outlets are full of stories warning that "cases are increasing" or even "setting records" in places where the shutdown has ended.

Although they never say so directly, underlying these messages is the assertion that we were somehow supposed to wait until the coronavirus had disappeared before letting people eat in restaurants, play golf or go to Disneyland again. One person who communicated directly with this newspaper actually was more specific: Shelter in place should be kept in effect, he said, until there were "no coronavirus cases for 21 days."

The first thing that has to be said in response to this utterly unrealistic claim is that such a thing was never mentioned as the original rationale for sheltering in place. Even back in February and March, when the virus was advertised as something much worse than it turned out to be, nobody said we should all stay in our homes until it had been eradicated. Instead, the goal (as we all remember) was to "flatten the curve." And flatten it we did.

But flattening a curve also means drawing it out at the far end — fewer cases at the peak, but some cases over a much longer period of time. Which is to say that what we're seeing now — people still getting infected in significant numbers, but nowhere near the huge numbers that were feared — isn't a bug in what the world has accomplished as it has battled the coronavirus, it's a feature. It's what we were supposed to do.

The "no cases for 21 days" standard also ignores the existential (and we use that word in its literal sense) importance to all of us of having a functioning economy. As we have explained in earlier editorials, people selling each other goods and services for mutually agreeable prices is not just a nice thing for the people who make money in the process, it's everything to everybody in every corner of the world. Even the humblest monk in the strictest lamasery in the most remote corner of 19th century Tibet — someone who shunned practically all the conveniences and comforts of his era — would have starved to death if there had been nobody to grow his food and successful enough at farming to then donate it to him. We all must live on something. And, needless to say, the lives of all those shelter-in-place advocates who are speaking up today are stuffed with pleasures and amusements, not to mention the necessities, of 21st century American life. How many are they willing to give up for the sake of reducing the danger of contagious illnesses? Not many, we would wager.

The economy is reopening because it must reopen, and no less a figure than Gov. Gavin Newsom obviously understands this. He is the person behind all the current reopening schemes in this state.

But another person who seems to understand it is Monterey County Health Officer Dr. Ed Moreno, who blithely imposed this county's strict shelter-in-place program without ever mentioning the extreme financial hardship it would create for a very large percentage of the people he was supposed to be serving, but who has lately expressed concern for all the businesses that have been shut down and the "toll" it has taken on the economy.

In a conference call with reporters this week, Moreno also acknowledged another very important fact about the ending of shelter in place. "We are still in a pandemic," Moreno said, "and that means we have to expect cases to increase."

Shelter in place is coming to an end and, barring a truly shocking development, will not be revived, but the virus is still very much with us and may be for years. That means each person needs to take stock of their own situation and decide how much risk it probably poses to them and their family, and what steps to take to reduce their chances of becoming seriously ill. That is the new reality. And this is the other one: It's time to get back to work.

BEST of BATES



"Officer, I can't find my car. Should be easy to find. It's a white Toyota parked in front of an art gallery."

Letters to the Editor

'Stop dumping on Moreno'

Dear Editor,

It's time you stop dumping on Dr. Moreno and get on with something new.

Over the past few months, you've done a great job of certifying that Moreno is a lightweight, and, as far as pandemic management goes, out of his league. You spoke the truth.

You have also helped to establish Moreno as the official Monterey County Pandemic Piñata. So, everybody gets to, and does, take a swipe at him. Funny thing is, he seems to be adjusting rather well to that role.

Probably because, no matter what anyone says or does, he still collects the same, very important, paycheck. For that reason alone, you can take your best shot, but, you're still not going to put a hurt on him.

Please look elsewhere for a change. It's about time you take a look at what group is running the pandemic show in the county and makes sure he stays untouchable. You have to look carefully because the group has disguised itself as innocent bystanders, hiding in the background to escape notice. That would be the county supervisors.

The supervisors hired Moreno, and the supervisors keep him in place. If they wanted Moreno gone, he'd be gone in a flash.

Over the past several months, you've said a lot of unflattering, but true, things about him. Now, you need to pause and stop beating that horse. If you continue to believe Moreno, through his decisions, is

unnecessarily hurting the economy, unnecessarily creating agony in people's lives, is acting without regard to people's constitutional rights, then you need change your editorial target. You need take a close look at the supervisors who installed him, why they installed him, and why they keep him there. The mayhem inflicted on the county comes from them. That is the reckoning that needs to take place. That is the reckoning the voters need to hear about.

Rick Ricci, Salinas

Mutt Mitts revisited

Dear Editor,

Carmel has a reputation as a dog-friendly city and we have won national awards for same. If animals are being invited, we should provide for their needs, be it water, stores which cater to their needs, or Mutt Mitts. When the city started funding Mutt Mitts, it was not only to meet the need for our canine visitors, but more importantly, to ensure that the Mutt Mitts were biodegradable.

At the same time, we have a council committee worrying about the issue of climate change. The cost of biodegradable mitts is a minor expense to ensure we do not contribute to climate change by providing non-biodegradable Mutt Mitts.

I would also point out that for several years, two women, neither of whom was a resident of Carmel-by-the-Sea, volunteered to service all the Scenic Mutt Mitt containers, thus saving staff time.

So as the council considers biodegradable Mutt Mitts, isn't that a small token to offset the impact our canine visitors might have on climate change?

If this is not feasible now, I would hope it would be restored to the budget at the earliest opportunity.

Sue McCloud, Carmel

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Sex! Anarchy! The history of Big Sur was anything but dull.

IN 1947, Carmel received unwanted national attention. As the nearest town to Big Sur, Carmel was the dateline listed in a series of articles decrying the deviant influence of writer/artist Henry Miller on the influx of ne'er-do-wells gathering in the mountains of the dramatic coast and creating a "New Bohemia" in California.

In the April 1947 issue of Harper's magazine, a 10-page article by Mildred Edie Brady was headlined, "The New Cult of

part series (May 4 to May 7) in the San Francisco Examiner on Miller's "Cult of Hatred." Mosher expressed concern that the thoughts perpetuated along the Big Sur Coast were being spread to the young minds of San Francisco where young bohemians had started coming to panhandle and sell their prose, poetry and art to the city's avant-garde magazines, such as Circle and Ark. Mosher warned that "thousands of youngsters, without practical experience and with formative minds, will be driven into the waiting arms of the extreme leftists in politics and labor and the arts."

Mosher refuted Brady's claim that Miller was operating a sex cult, declaring "most of his disciples are married couples struggling to avoid the rigorous life of the conservative." Mosher's investigation concluded that the group had more of a "doctrine of doom," and named Emil White as a leader in spreading it. Mosher also called out Greek-born Monterey artist Yanko Varda as a "barker," attracting the young minds to Miller's influence.

Social critic Mary McCarthy decried the cult in New Leader magazine, and even Time magazine weighed in.

Monterey artist Bruce Ariss published a magazine called What's Doing. He devoted a full-page editorial in the May 1947 issue to the matter. Ariss, however, criticized the critics: "Carmel and its environs have always been subject to such erotic and erratic accusations by smart newspaper boys who realize the average American's bug-eyed interest in occult practices in non-conforming artists" sells.

Shocking

Ariss also reminded readers that Carmel was created by non-conforming artists and considering this new group to be "shocking cultists" was all in perspective. He wrote that locals hadn't bothered to discredit the allegations because they were

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History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

Sex and Anarchy." Brady — a freelance writer whose husband was an economics professor at UC Berkeley — sounded the alarm about what she saw as an erosion of values that would destroy California. While some in the post-war era of the 1940s compared the free-thinking young men and women of Big Sur to those of the post-war 1920s, Brady saw them as something more ominous — a movement that "would profoundly shock their agnostic predecessors of the 20s with their sentimental mysticism which turns every sexual encounter into a religious rite."

'Jerry-built cabins'

Brady cited many influences on the misguided young adults, including Wilhelm Reich's "Function of Orgasm" (1927) and the writings of Emma Goldman, a Russian immigrant and outspoken anarchist who was deported during World War I. Still, Brady clearly placed the most direct blame on Miller, who arrived in Big Sur in 1944 and began attracting a group of "young surrealist-anarchist writers and hangers-on" who even came to be called "Millerites." Brady bemoaned not only their rebellious subculture, but their "jerry-built cabins, shacks, even tents" which she said would be a blight on the beauty of the Big Sur country, "one of California's many prides."

Clint Mosher followed up with a four-



PHOTOS/(LEFT) PAT HATHAWAY, CAVIEWS.COM, (RIGHT) MARGE CAIN PHOTO/GAME & GOSSIP MAGAZINE, JUNE 1951



Henry Miller (left) was in his early 50s and very controversial when he arrived in Big Sur in 1944. Actor/playwright Bruce Ariss (right) relaxes with his wife after the opening of his play "Point of Departure."

THE SHARP EYE OF A PILOT MEETS THE REFINED TECHNIQUE OF AN ARTIST

SANDY PRATT was an evolving artist in 1978, searching for a portal toward greater abilities, when she came across a painting in the window of a Carmel gallery by Italian-born Roberto Lupetti.

"It struck me immediately that Roberto painted exactly the way I aspired to paint," remembered Pratt, whose style today is intricately detailed photographic realism, mostly still-life renderings of items she's collected from generations gone by.

saw potential.

"He was such a kind man," she said of her mentor, who over the next three years taught her about the intricacies of perspective, the relationship between light and shadow, and techniques he used to make a painting stand out.

"He showed me how to prepare a canvas with several layers of tinted gesso, rather than painting on a raw canvas. The result is a very smooth finish, which is exactly what you want when, for example, you're painting silver," she said. "As his apprentice, I got to prepare all of his canvases, and I also learned how to clean brushes — his brushes, of course, and my

Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

A painting she called "Roses Reflected" features two antique books, a special occasion teacup and saucer, and roses carefully arranged on a lacy tablecloth that once belonged to Pratt's great grandmother — all reflecting brilliantly in an ornate, sterling silver pitcher.

Another called "On a Summer's Day" is composed of four large strawberries on a lace tablecloth, with a silver pitcher that reflects all, as well as the suggestion of an adjacent red-doored adobe building.

Charm offensive

Pratt, the fledgling artist, discovered that Lupetti, the master, lived in Carmel Valley, found his phone number, and boldly made a cold call.

"Do you take students?" asked the fledgling.

"No," answered the master.

They chatted. She charmed. He relented: "Bring me your portfolio," Lupetti finally said.

Pratt's body of work at the time consisted only of art she had created in classes at Monterey Peninsula College, but Lupetti

own."

She apprenticed with Lupetti for three invaluable years, during which she also made her own pilgrimage to Italy, renting an apartment with other artist friends in Florence, near Boboli Gardens, for a month and a half.

"We painted together every day. We visited the art museums and galleries, and also the old churches, where a lot of the art is. That whole trip was all about art, and it was wonderful," she said.

Pratt has been a full-time artist ever since, working in a studio at her home at the mouth of Carmel Valley.

"I live in Carmel Views, but I don't have a view because I'm in a box canyon," she said of the house. She shared it for 28 years with her late husband, Dr. Russell Pratt, who died in 2009 after 37 years of marriage. "But I do have lots of wildlife. One day I looked up and saw a little fawn watching me through the window."

Pratt remembered having artistic leanings as a child, drawing constantly — "mostly Woody Woodpecker, over and over again," she said — but a deeper fascination as a child in Southern California was flight.

"We lived in Inglewood, near the L.A. airport, and I'm looking up, probably watching an airplane, in almost every photo my family took when I was a child," she said. "As a little girl, all I wanted to be was an airline stewardess."

Flight

At 16, she was treated to a flight in a small aircraft, most of which she spent watching the pilot from the back seat.

"From that day forward, I was hooked. I didn't learn to fly until I was 30, but then I wound up having an air-charter service, amassing about 3,500 hours," said Pratt, who also was a flight instructor. "I had a Cessna 182, bright yellow, trimmed in burnt orange, and I took



PHOTO/PRADYUMNA AMATYA

Sandy Pratt, a Carmel resident since 1966, specializes in intricately detailed paintings like the one behind her, 'Serenity.'

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Mustoe of Monterey Peninsula College (who received the Morrison-Witherill Social Commentary Award), and **Marianne Biondo** of Monterey Peninsula College (who earned the John Crossman Award).

Eight students took home honorable mentions, including **Cosima Cristofalo** of Carmel High. The judges, meanwhile, included photographers **Kim Weston**, **Robin Robinson** and **Rick Murai**.

As is the case each year with the contest, only traditional black-and-white photographs were accepted. Due to distancing restrictions, the nonprofit cancelled this year's annual awards ceremony, which was set to be hosted by the Monterey Museum of Art.

The Weston Collective has awarded \$126,000 in scholarships since it was founded in 2004.

Facing financial challenges due to the shutdown, the nonprofit launched an online fundraising auction in late April that closes Monday, June 15. Besides work by the

late **Wynn Bullock** and **Cole Weston**, it includes images by an array of contemporary photographers, including **Jerry Takigawa**, **Brian Taylor**, **Kim Weston**, **Heidi Kirkpatrick**, **Manuello Paganelli** and others. For more details, visit thewestoncollective.org/covid19.

■ New shows open Saturday

Two weeks after it was allowed to reopen following the coronavirus shutdown, Gallery MAR Carmel unveils an exhibit Saturday that pairs **Thomas Scoon's** sculptures with **Michael Kessler's** paintings.

Scoon, who lives in Vermont, uses granite and cast glass to explore abstracted human forms. Kessler, who resides in Santa Fe, employs his talent to juxtapose shapes found in nature with geometric lines and grids. The latter will be in the gallery this weekend demonstrating his technique.

"These are two major American artists at the height of their careers, and we are so pleased to be able to present their work," gallery owner **Thomas Cushman** told The Pine Cone. "They both explore contrasting elements and dig deep to create thought-provoking work. Their art hangs beautifully together."

The show will be on display through July 4.

Cushman reported that visitation is picking up at the downtown gallery, which is located on Dolores between Ocean and Seventh.

"A lot of people have been walking by, and more are starting to come in," he added. "We're being very careful with social distancing, and that seems to be allaying people's fears."

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MILLER

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seen as a “standard manufactured scandal.”

In the same issue, Toni Jackson, “wife” of Cannery Row’s Ed Ricketts, devoted most of her “artists and writers” column to the scandal, declaring the story to be a magnificent hoax. “We crow with delight when a sophisticated Eastern slicker swallows a tall story, lock, stock and barrel,” she wrote gleefully. “And when the victim is the so-dignified Harper’s magazine our happiness is complete.” She pointed to several inaccuracies in the various critiques, including that there were only four houses at Anderson Creek, where Brady interviewed Miller, and that not one had a copy of Reich’s book.

Another column in the same issue, “House of the Month,” showed the com-

fortable interiors of the four “shacks” which the “new Bohemians had transformed from what remained of a deserted road-worker’s camp.”

Unlikely understudy

A few months later, the furor had calmed, but Ariss sensed another story. He began crafting it into a play script set in Big Sur with fictional names, except for Miller. After working with Angelo DiGirolamo to build the Wharf Theater, Ariss’ “Point of Departure” opened on June 8, 1951. Ariss played the lead, Dr. Jody Bronson, who learned of the hoax and was conflicted as to whether to let the writer know. Ariss described the three-act comedy-drama as “his understanding and tolerance of the human race and his passion against injustice.”

In reviewing the play for Game & Gossip magazine, Star Ellis said that it “carries a twofold message — the importance to the individual of freedom in thought and ac-

tion and a warning against the dangers of irresponsible, sensational journalism, with its resultant violation of privacy. It keeps your interest from beginning to the final curtain.”

Fast-forward 40 years, and the Big Sur Players worked with Ariss to revive the play in celebration of what would have been Henry Miller’s 100th year. Jeremy Slate, veteran of more than 80 roles on screen and TV in a 40-year career, had moved to the peninsula and was the director. The actors were all residents of Big Sur, including Slate’s son, Jeremiah, who played Bronson.

My wife Bettina and I had become friends of Ariss and his wife Jean. We had the honor of driving them from Monterey to the Oct. 29, 1991, opening at the Big Sur

Grange Hall. It ran there for three weekends to the pleasure of many. The production was then brought to the old Monterey Playhouse on Washington Street for two more weekends in December.

Just days before the Monterey opening on Dec. 6, I was visiting Ariss when Slate arrived, concerned that one of his actors was stuck out of the country. Ariss, knowing I had done some theater in Michigan before moving to the peninsula, suggested me. With no audition, and only two rehearsals, I had my California stage debut — and a memory that will last a lifetime.

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GAVEL

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defendant and the dog’s route of travel.

Monterey police motor officer Wayland Kopp attempted to make a lawful traffic stop, but the defendant fled, dragging the dog further. As Officer Kopp tried a second time to make a lawful stop, the defendant threw the dog from his lap to the ground. The concerned citizen, still following, was able to retrieve the dog from the east bound lane of traffic.

The 1-year-old pitbull sustained minor scrapes on her legs and suffered from exhaustion.

Judge Andrew Liu sentenced Cagle to two years for the animal cruelty charge, 60 days for the resisting arrest charge and additionally ordered 180 days for violating probation.

people wherever they wanted to go for 30 years.”

Art was a back-burner hobby throughout those years, but time spent with Lupetti (a close friend until his death in 1997), a Santa Fe workshop taught by David Leffel, Jacqueline Kamin, and Sherrie McGraw, and years of solitary self-education created an artist whose work was showcased in galleries in Carmel, San Francisco, and Beverly Hills (see sandypratt.com for more information). She was accepted eight years ago as a member of the prestigious Oil Painters of America.

She also spent 37 years as a vocalist for I Cantori di Carmel, in which she was a charter member. She still sings with her church choir.

PRATT

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SPORTS

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"I didn't have the Iron Woman goal when I got to high school, but once I decided to go for it, I think it made it feel worth it to keep going when things got tough," said Parker, who will study child development at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, with a goal of becoming a nurse practitioner specializing in pediatrics.

No doubt, there were tough times — moments when each of the athletes dug deep to continue.

"I definitely had those moments," said Ella Fenstermaker, who will study biology at UC Davis, then intends to go to medical school to become a dermatologist. "What kept me going, I think, was the commitment I made to my teammates and myself, and the fact that Iron Woman status



Ella Fenstermaker was second-team All-PCAL in field hockey, and Defensive Player of the Year in soccer as a senior.

was my ultimate goal. I remember telling myself that I'd regret it if I didn't keep pushing."

Fenstermaker was the Cypress Division's Defensive Player of the Year in soccer, and earned second-team All-Pacific Coast Athletic League honors as a field hockey player. She also was a diver in the spring.

Amaya Gomez was Fenstermaker's teammate in field hockey (her favorite sport) and soccer (in which she earned second-team All-Cypress plaudits), and lettered in two spring sports — as a pole vaulter on the track team in her freshman and sophomore seasons, and as a lacrosse player for her final two springs.

"My worst times came from back spasms that were so bad that they gave me migraine headaches," said Gomez, who is headed for San Jose State University. "Those kept me out of a few games as a junior, but I tried hard not to let fatigue, or aches and pains, or illness become an issue. I always went to practice, even if I was feeling gross and sick. I discovered that sports always make me feel better at times like those."

Nathan Miglaw led Carmel's water polo team with 27 goals (fifth in the PCAL) as a senior, and also had a team-best five assists on the soccer team, joining Staehle as a first-team All-Cypress player. This spring, he competed in both swimming and volleyball, earning a varsity letter in both sports in the same season.

Sports medicine

His crusade toward earning the coveted Iron Man Award also had some speed bumps.

"I had a couple of bad injuries in soccer. I tore a hip flexor in my freshman year during an optional practice over Christmas break. That one put me out for a month and a half," said Miglaw, who will spend two years at Monterey Peninsula College, where he's considering playing soccer, then might look for a four-year university where he can play water polo, his favorite sport. "Then, as a sophomore, the growth plates in my foot were growing at different rates, so they rubbed together, which is painful. But I tried to play through the pain as much as I could."

Hunter Heger was part of back-to-back CCS title teams as a basketball player for the Padres, was a high jumper for the track team all four years, and switched from water polo to cross-country for his final two years at CHS.

"I took sports medicine classes at Carmel High as a sophomore and junior, and learned a lot of important

things about my body," said Heger, who will attend Cal Poly this fall. "I also learned how important it was to get the care I needed from the sports medicine team, treating injuries as soon as they happened, rather than waiting until they got worse. I'd say I was pretty lucky, but that might be a reason why I never had a really severe injury in high school."

Self-diagnosis and treatment

Carmel offers sports medicine and advanced sports medicine courses in its curriculum, taught by athletic trainer Matt Borek, who was credited by nearly all of the Iron Padres for keeping them healthy enough to endure four years of uninterrupted athletics.

"I took advanced sports medicine for three years, and it was extremely helpful in being able to self-diagnose my injuries, figure out why I was hurting and how to treat myself," Parker said.

Staehle, who broke his collarbone this season in Carmel's final regular-season football game, said he was a fixture in the trainer's office.

"I definitely utilized the sports medicine program a lot — I was in there pretty much every day, either force icing, or taping, or wrapping, or just talking about how my body felt," he said. "If anything felt out of whack, I was talking to Borek."

Two Iron Padres who couldn't be reached for interviews were Henry Esparza (football, soccer, track), who was recruited to play football this fall at Victor Valley College in Victorville, and Tatiana Vargas, whose sports at Carmel included field hockey, basketball and lacrosse. She'll attend CSU Northridge in the fall.

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FIRE

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on the prospect of ousting Monterey Fire in favor of another agency.

Mayor Dave Potter said public safety is a top priority. "There is no interest on my part in compromising the quality of service we've been getting in the interest of saving a dollar," he said.

Councilman Jeff Baron wanted assurance the public would be able to weigh

in on what Rerig and the council should seek in a new fire contract.

While Panholzer and the City of Monterey have done an excellent job, councilwoman Carrie Theis said, "it's just a matter of taking a look."

"We need to see what services we definitely have to have and see if there are other opportunities out there," she said.

"I know it's going to take a lot of staff time, but I appreciate that Chip is bringing this back for an opportunity to see what comes of it," Theis added.

STANDOFF

From page 6A

the apartment with him.

The Monterey County District Attorney's Office also charged Fresh with violating Penal Code 422.6(a), which state law describes as "force or threat of force," willfully injuring, intimidating, interfering with, oppressing or threatening any other person.

The jail notes that the misdemeanor crime against Fresh carries an additional \$60,000 bail.

As of Thursday, he was still in custody.

According to Monterey County Superior Court records, Fresh has been charged with a variety of misdemeanor and felony crimes in the county since 2013.



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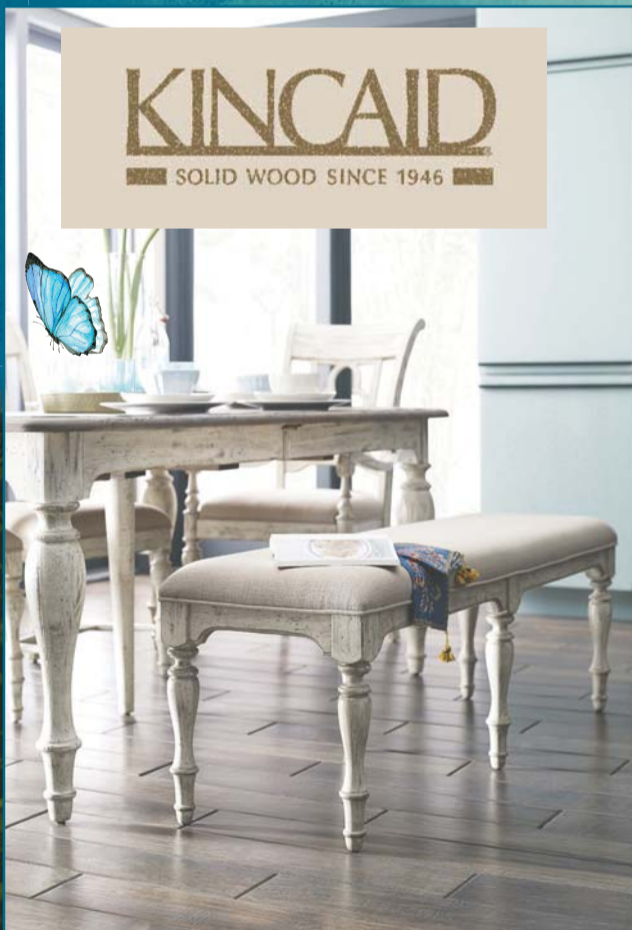


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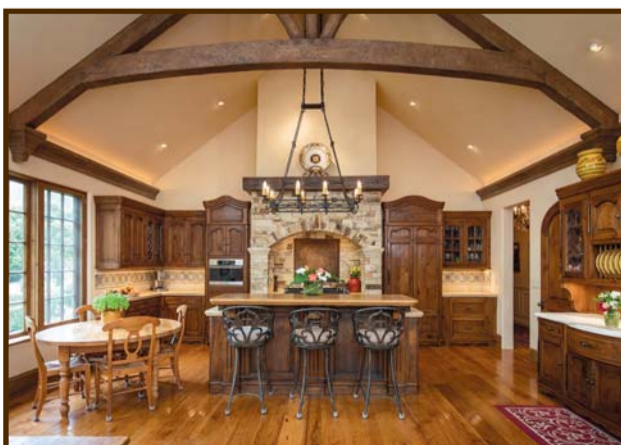
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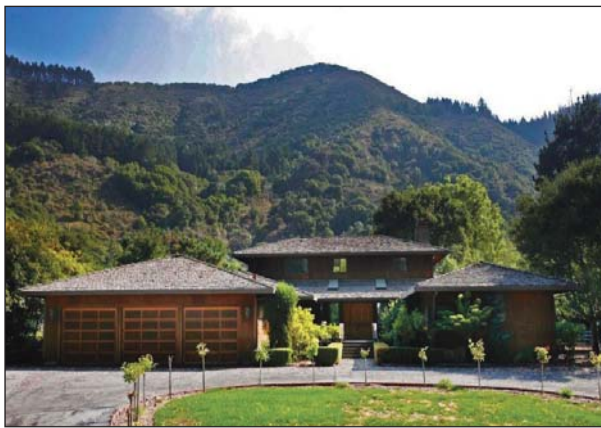
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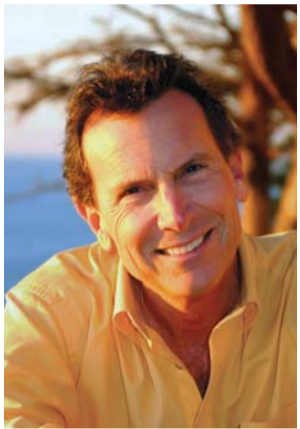
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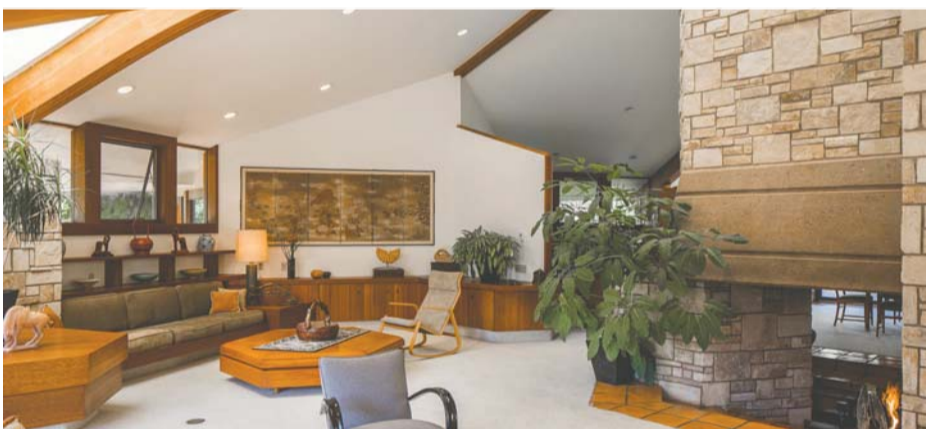


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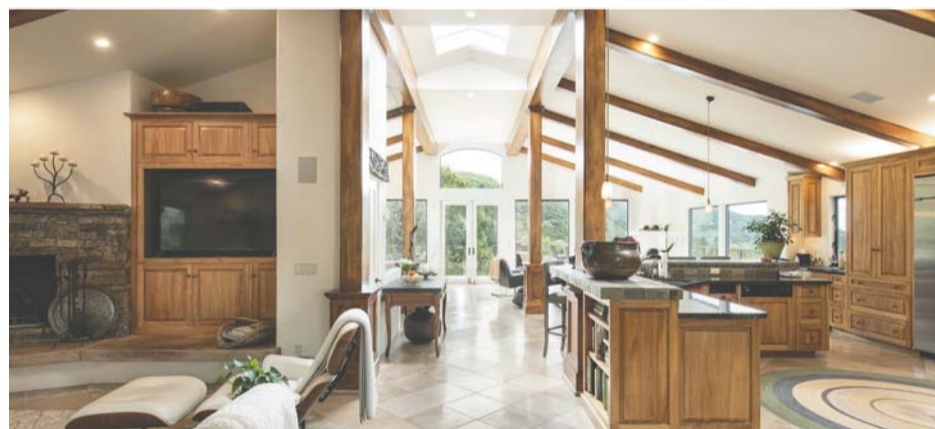


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Carmel Valley: Female on Carmel Valley Road contacted dispatch because she believed she may have been scammed. Case continues.

THURSDAY, MAY 28

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

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

Carmel area: Four adults, including a 74-year-old male, a 53-year-old male and a 67-year-old male, from out of the county stole over \$500 in plants, mostly succulents, from private property on Highlands Drive. Victim was located and stolen property returned.

Pacific Grove: Theft of a bicycle on 14th Street.

Pacific Grove: Burglary from a vehicle on Ocean View Boulevard.

Pacific Grove: Theft from a locked vehi-

cle on Ocean View Boulevard.

Carmel area: Person on Highway 1 reported graffiti.

Carmel Valley: A male subject reported littering by his neighbor on Brookdale Drive.

FRIDAY, MAY 29

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic stop at Junipero and Seventh at 0020 hours led to the arrest of the driver, a 29-year-old male from Elk Grove, for DUI, presenting false ID to an officer, identity theft, driving while suspended for DUI and several out-of-county/state felony warrants with full extradition. The subject was lodged at county jail for fresh charges and outstanding warrants, including a felony charge of making terrorist threats with a bail of \$100,500. The vehicle was impounded.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Debit card found and brought to the station. Possible owner identified. A voicemail was left.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a lost wallet.

Pacific Grove: A 25-year-old was cited on Lighthouse Avenue at 0545 hours for posses-

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MANY READERS think because I write a column I'm an expert on practically everything. Of course, they are correct. However, my wisdom stems not from column writing, but from being opinionated and having a forum for my opinions. Recently I've been deluged with questions about what is going on in Carmel and around the country.

Here is a sample of some of the mail I've received.

Dear Mr. Gervase: Surely you are aware of the unrest throughout the U.S. You've been painfully silent about this situation. — *Curious in Carmel*

Dear Curious: The key to your question is the word "painfully." I am a member of a very militant group of old people, but struggling against aches and pains is our manifesto. You probably missed the scene on CNN when we looted the painkillers section at CVS. We are survivors and veterans of difficult times. Many of us were on ventilators before they became fashionable. I admit there could be more bite to our protesting, but remember, many of us don't have teeth.

Dear Jerry: So far there have been no demonstrations in Carmel. Aren't you concerned that more underserved people cannot afford to live in Carmel? — *Stranded in Spreckels*

Dear Stranded: Hardly anyone can afford to live in our little paradise. When the "low income" neighborhood means everything outside the Golden Rectangle, you're not going to see a lot of schoolteachers and firefighters scouring the real estate section.

Dear Mr. Gervase: The statements issued by our Health Officer, Dr. Ed Moreno, often don't seem to make

Scenic Views

By **JERRY GERVASE**

sense, so I'm not sure I can believe anything he says. — *Perplexed in Prunedale*

Dear Perplexed: There seems to be a direct correlation between what comes out of the health department and the shortage of toilet paper. Just roll with whatever he says.

Dear Mr. Gervase: Do you believe that Covid-19 is the most serious threat you've faced in your lifetime? — *Sheltering in Salinas*

Dear Sheltering: It's right up there with forgetting your anniversary. I liked it better when all I had to worry about

was dying from global warming. At least then I could go to church or eat in a restaurant without some governor threatening to send me to a nursing home. I miss Greta Thunberg having a hissy fit over my carbon footprint.

Dear Mr. Gervase: Do you think major league sports will start up again? — *Dave from Barstool Sports*

Dear Dave: Probably not. China is so angry with us for calling Covid-19 the Chinese virus that they may hold up all shipments of Nike shoes. The games cannot go on without the ubiquitous swoosh on everyone's feet. Besides, I don't miss sports on television. I had almost forgotten how good TV could be since I've become hooked on reruns of "The Many Loves of Dobie Gillis" and "My Mother the Car."

Dear Mr. Gervase: I have been sheltering in place for so long that I think I'm in love with Dr. Fauci. — *Ulla in Uppsala*

Dear Ulla: I think you've come down with a serious case of Stockholm syndrome. It happens when captives develop a psychological alliance with their captors. There is a pandemic of women with crushes on Dr. Fauci. He has

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sion of unlawful paraphernalia.

Pacific Grove: Vandalism of a vehicle on Central Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Collision involving a parked vehicle on Junipero.

Pacific Grove: Report of a rape on Forest Avenue.

Big Sur: Vehicle burglary on Garrapata Creek Road.

Carmel Valley: Theft from a vehicle on Panetta Road and fraudulent use of a credit card.

SATURDAY, MAY 30

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Three subjects, a

23-year-old male, a 24-year-old male and a 22-year-old male, were arrested at 0225 hours for prowling on property at Carpenter and Valley. One subject attempted to flee but was apprehended hiding under a vehicle. One subject was out on zero bail for fire-arm charges. All subjects booked at county jail. Their vehicle was located and towed for blocking a driveway.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Welfare check requested on an intoxicated person at Lobos

and Third at 1017 hours. Person was contacted outside his residence. No wants or warrants. Person was left with a sober family member.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle blocking a driveway on Mission south of Fourth was found to have suspended vehicle registration over six months and multiple parking tickets on DMV hold. Vehicle was towed.

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elevated epidemiologists to the level of love gods. Perhaps you saw his interview with the movie actress Julia Roberts, who did more pearl clutching than Margaret Dumont in the Marx Brothers' "Animal Crackers." Julia actually succumbed to the vapors when she breathlessly spoke his name.

Dear Mr. Gervase: Now that the lockdown is easing up, are you going to rush out for dinner at one of our fine local restaurants? — *Menu reading in Marina*

Dear Menu: I'm chomping at the

bisque to get some cuisine haute-ier than my home cooking. Yes, I'm eager to put the Bon back in Bon Appétit.

Dear Jerry: You've often alluded to the fact that sheltering in place is easy because of a very charming lady. Can you tell us more about her? — *Curious in Castroville*

Dear Curious: Thank you for that question. However, she is a very private person and I must respect her wish to remain private, so I cannot talk about her. Suffice it to say that I am sheltering in place with one of the most articulate, scholarly, charming, sophisticated, wittiest people on earth ... and she is, too.

Contact Jerry at jerrygervase@yahoo.com.

LOG

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Two restaurant owners on Ocean east of Lincoln engaged in a heated verbal discussion over parking and temporary outdoor seating arrangements. Both parties were counseled on scene, and peaceful resolution was achieved.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found cell phone at Lincoln and Sixth was turned in to the police department and later returned to its owner.

Pacific Grove: Violation of a protective order on Ocean View Boulevard by a 22-year-old male reported at 0115 hours.

Pacific Grove: Relinquished firearm on

Adobe Lane.

Pacific Grove: Theft of a package on Asilomar.

Pacific Grove: Domestic violence on Ocean View Boulevard.

Pacific Grove: Unlocked vehicle on Junipero was rummaged through overnight.

Pacific Grove: Property damage and verbal dispute on Spruce.

Carmel area: Burglary reported at a residence on Atherton.

Pebble Beach: A male battered his elderly father and held him against his will at a residence on Costado Place. The 31-year-old male was arrested.

Carmel Valley: Deputies received a report of threats involving children at a Tassajara Road residence.

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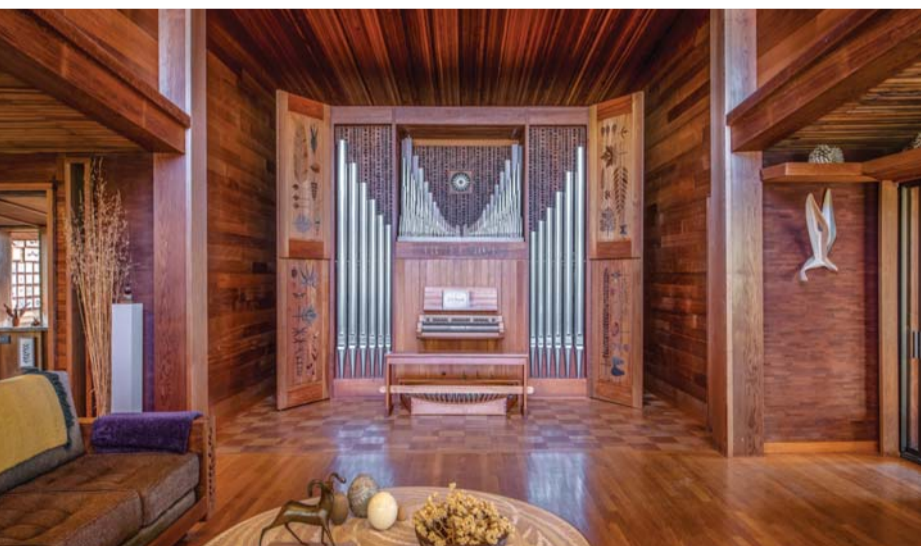
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