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Dolan Fire jumps road and destroys firehouse, 3 firefighters hospitalized

By CHRIS COUNTS

AFTER STRONG winds carried the Dolan Fire across Nacimiento-Fergusson Road in Big Sur late Monday, the blaze destroyed a United States Forest Service fire station and injured three firefighters. The winds, along with high temperatures, caused explosive growth in the fire, which reached more than 111,000 acres by Thursday, triggering evacuations as far south as the Monterey-San Luis Obispo county line and evacuation warnings as far east as the outskirts of King City.

Fifteen firefighters were on scene at the time at Nacimiento fire station when the wildfire overwhelmed the area and forced them to take refuge in their emergency shelters because conditions were so dire.

Fire official Rob Allen described the scene Tuesday at Nacimiento fire station, which the firefighters tried to save. It was located about 7 miles east of Highway 1 near the highest point along Nacimiento-Fergusson Road.

"These dedicated firefighters received injuries including burns and smoke inhalation while defending the Nacimiento Station," Allen reported. "Nacimiento Station was destroyed. I can confirm that one injury is critical and one serious. Our thoughts and prayers are with the injured firefighters, their family, friends and co-workers."

Firefighters on the mend

By the next day, the forest service reported that all three injured firefighters were in stable condition. By Thursday, all had been released from the hospital.

The story received widespread media attention and reignited a national debate about whether emergency fire shelters, which are like personal fireproof tents made from heat-resistant material, are safe enough to protect firefighters in extreme emergencies. The shelters have saved hundreds of lives since they were introduced in the 1960s, and three firefighters from Montana also used them successfully last week. But 19 firefighters from Prescott, Ariz., were killed in 2013 despite using them.

An official for a federal agency that coordinates wildland firefighting resources said such shelters are only used "for an extreme emergency."

"They're to be used as a last resort if there's no planned escape out or safety zones become inadequate," National Interagency Fire Center spokeswoman Carrie Bilbao explained.

Because they knew the Dolan Fire could jump Nacimiento-Fergusson Road, fire officials started issuing

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PHOTOS/(ABOVE)SCOTT HEALY VIA FACEBOOK, (RIGHT) VENTANA WILDLIFE SOCIETY

(Clockwise from above) The flames of the Dolan Fire seen Tuesday from Chews Ridge in Carmel Valley. Gavin Emmons, a member of the Pinnacles National Park Condor Crew, retrieves a condor chick last week before fire reaches it, and another crew member, Alacia Welch, lowers the chick down the cliff.



Two condor chicks killed, 9 adults still missing after search

By CHRIS COUNTS

DELIVERING NEWS that brought elation and heartbreak, the Ventana Wildlife Society reported Thursday that of the five condors chicks that were nesting in Big Sur when the Dolan Fire erupted Aug. 18, three survived and two didn't, executive director Kelly Sorenson of the Ventana Wildlife Society told The Pine Cone. The nonprofit has made the recovery of the California condor its chief mission.

After the fire burned through areas where the nests are located, the VWA feared for the safety of the chicks, and its staff began visiting the charred landscape in search of the young birds. Two, including Iniko, the star of its condor cam, were found alive. A third chick, meanwhile, was evacuated from a nest very shortly before fire reached it.

"At least two chicks survived and another was saved, but the situation is still pretty devastating," Sorenson said.

While the fire burned through area that housed four nests with chicks, rescuers were able to reach a fifth nest

and remove the chick before the fire arrived.

"It was a good idea to pull the chick out because the fire did burn through a short time later," said Sorenson.

Photos show two members of the Pinnacles National Park Condor Crew, Gavin Emmons and Alacia Welch, using ropes last week to climb up a cliff so they can reach a young bird.

"We are also happy to report that Chick No. 1033, was saved from her nest, where she was in a cliff cavity directly in the path of the advancing Dolan fire line," the VWA posted on social media.

Chick No. 1033's parents haven't been seen since May,

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CORONAVIRUS NUMBERS DROP, BUT OFFICIALS AREN'T SURE WHY

Outbreak in prisons runs counter to county-wide trend

By KELLY NIX

OFFICIAL COUNTS of new coronavirus cases were unusually low for several days this week, reaching numbers not seen in months, but it's unclear if those numbers are a sign of a slowdown of new infections, a glitch in data reporting from the state department of public health, or something else.

While there were three more virus-related deaths this week in Monterey County, the data seems to indicate the number of cases is decreasing. The county health department Wednesday reported 37 cases, 32 Tuesday and 59 Monday.

Compare those relatively meager numbers to the more

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Removal of more eucalyptus set for November

By MARY SCHLEY

AFTER REQUIRING her to add two more tall trees to the landscaping plan for her property on San Antonio Avenue, the forest and beach commission backed off on its stance that Laura Overett should be required to keep 17 huge eucalyptus trees that grow on the beachfront property, and decided she could go ahead and remove them. Overett said cutting down the trees will probably begin in early November.

But at the Aug. 20 forest and beach meeting, she had to make another impassioned plea that she be allowed to cut down the towering, 150-year-old non-native trees, which frequently drop litter and limbs and are intensely combustible during fires and replace them with native plants and trees. City forester Sara Davis said many of them have pests or have other problems, including tissue damage and decay, and recommended approving the plan.

"I would truly like to know on what you base your decisions regarding eucalyptus trees," Overett told the commission, because she bases hers on facts and information provided by arborists, biologists, foresters and landscapers.

"Is it because you like looking at these trees," she asked, "or is it because you want to leave this problem to the next generation to fix, like kicking the can down the road?"

Wicked Witch of the West

Leaving the eucalyptus would endanger the North Dunes habitat next to her home, she pointed out, and the old trees will eventually fall anyway. But if she cuts them down, "then I become the Wicked Witch of the West, and I

have to listen to personal criticism not based on any facts." She noted a recent Pine Cone letter writer who likened removing the eucalyptus to "killing people," while another wrote that "native" is a relative term.

"No, it isn't," Overett said.

She asked the commission to accept the landscape plan developed by Joni Janecki & Associates with input from plant biologist Joey Canepa, who has also worked for

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A eucalyptus tree starts to bite the dust during an earlier removal project on San Antonio Avenue.

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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

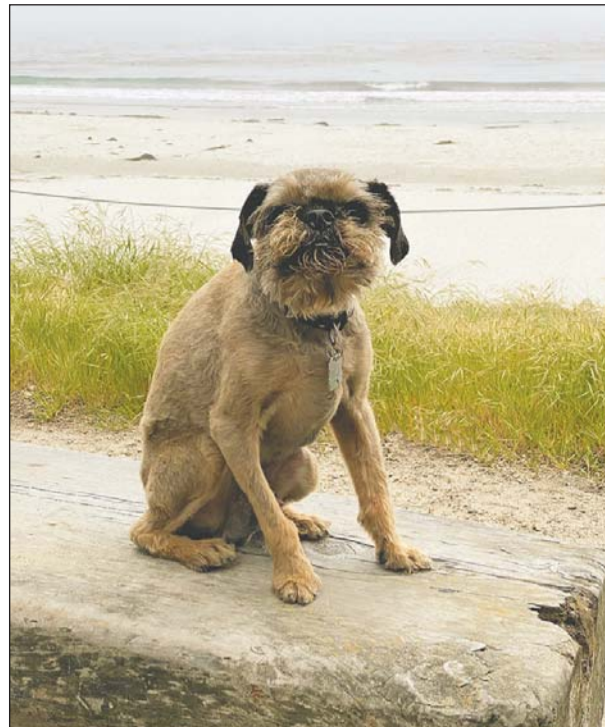
Along for the ride

As THEY strolled along Scenic Road for some fresh air and a glimpse of the sunset, the couple seemed unaware of the attention garnered by the adorable little face poking out of their backpack. Or maybe they were just used to it.

A cross between a baby Ewok and Verdell from the movie, "As Good as it Gets," Charlie, like Verdell, is a Brussels griffon.

He and his sister Lola were adopted, very young, through National Brussels Griffon Rescue, and raised together by their couple, who gave them their names, even though they had never heard of the popular animated cartoon of British siblings, "Charlie and Lola," from a picture-book series later adapted to television.

"The naming was ironic," said their person, "but so was the fact that our dogs were very much



like the characters. Lola was smaller, and always into something, and Charlie was always the quiet, thoughtful one, like an older brother."

Charlie lost Lola this past March, which is still hard on his people, and he hasn't quite gotten over it either, they said.

Way back when, the couple couldn't agree about a dog. She had grown up with schnauzers and wanted another, but he said he was allergic and didn't want a dog that sheds. He consented to a small dog; she'd never been a "little dog person."

Then she fell in love with her daughter's Brussels griffon and, a week later, brought home Charlie, who, it turned out, wanted another dog, so in came Lola.

Charlie, now 12, suffers from a degenerative disc disease, which makes it hard for him to walk. His people carry him around their High Meadow home, and cart him around in a backpack when they go to his beloved Carmel Beach.

"Charlie still gets his beach experience," his person said. "He's so happy to be along for the ride."

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Man charged in racist rant but is a no-show in court

By KELLY NIX

THE MAN who police said made racist remarks and threatened motorists in Pacific Grove last month has been charged with several felony and misdemeanor crimes, but he skipped his arraignment hearing in court last week.

Pacific Grove police on Aug. 12 took John Ensor, 48, of Avila Beach, into custody at gunpoint on Lighthouse Avenue after witnesses reported he yelled racial slurs and threw an aluminum baseball bat and beer can at vehicles, and threatened others with a shovel.

He was booked into Monterey County Jail but bailed out shortly thereafter.

'Threw a substance'

Though Ensor denied the crimes in an Aug. 24 interview with The Pine Cone, the Monterey County District Attorney's Office on Aug. 31 charged him with two counts of felony assault by means to produce great bodily injury.

He also faces misdemeanor counts of violation of civil rights, exhibiting and assault with a deadly weapon, and throwing a "substance at a vehicle and an occupant" on a highway.

Enzor "did unlawfully, in the presence of another, draw and exhibit a deadly weapon," a baseball bat "in a rude, angry and threatening manner and did use a deadly weapon in a fight and quarrel," according to the criminal complaint signed by deputy district attorney Cristina Johnson.

Prosecutors have also charged Ensor

with hate crimes and for committing a crime while on bail for a separate offense in San Luis Obispo County.

The complaint lists several men and women, identified only as John and Jane Does, as victims. Police would not specify what words Ensor used, only that he directed them toward Black and Asian people. The district attorney's formal complaint against the man also does not allege what he said.

Claims of innocence

Enzor was scheduled to be arraigned in a Salinas courtroom Sept. 2, but court records indicate he "failed to appear for the hearing," and that a judge issued a warrant, possibly for his arrest.

In The Pine Cone interview, Ensor denied using any racial slurs, and said he was trying to get away from people who had followed him from Salinas to Pacific Grove that day.

In trying to evade the unidentified motorists, Ensor said he drove to downtown Pacific Grove where there were a lot of people. That's when police, who said they had received multiple calls matching Ensor's description, arrested him.

Enzor said he intended to put flowers on his relatives' graves in Pacific Grove's El Carmelo Cemetery before going to San Francisco to look for work and spend time with friends.

While Pacific Grove police said Ensor was driving under the influence, which he also denied, the DA's office did not charge him with the crime.

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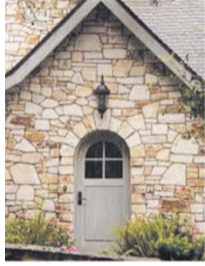
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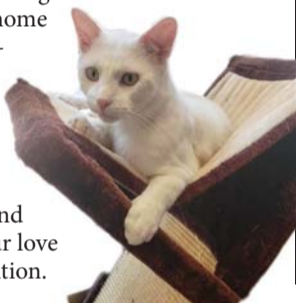


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Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

Thou careless, most forgetful swine

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.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Suspect took a shopping bag left behind at restaurant at Mission and Sixth, and then returned items at a local store for a refund.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officer responded to a report of a loose dog on Santa Fe south of Second. Upon arrival, the animal control officer observed a dog crossing the street and going into a yard. The dog was captured, and via ID on the collar was taken to the owner. Possible solutions for securing the dog were discussed, and a warning was given.

Pacific Grove: Assisted Child Protective Services at a location on Lighthouse Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle on Kenet was towed due to an abandoned vehicle complaint.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Welfare check on San Carlos south of Fifth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A resident report-

ed seeing a mountain lion near the trails in Mission Trail park. Officer conducted an area check and contacted many visitors walking the trails. Educational information discussed and posted.

Pacific Grove: Dead deer found on Ocean View Boulevard. Photos taken.

Pacific Grove: Unknown subject(s) defrauded an elderly resident on Del Monte Boulevard of cash.

Big Sur: Adult Protective Services referrals on Coast Ridge Road and Pfeiffer Ridge Road.

Carmel area: A construction site on Camino del Monte was burglarized and tools were stolen.

Carmel Valley: Deputy sheriffs were dispatched to a welfare check at a care home on Carmel Valley Road. Entry was made into the property while management was on scene.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27

Pacific Grove: Possible explosive device found in the backyard of a residence on Sunset Drive.

Pacific Grove: Personal property stolen from a locked vehicle on Alder.

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in the Real Estate Section



The gavel falls

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

July 24 — Santos Samuel Fonseca, 20, of Salinas, was convicted of two counts of first-degree murder and one count of escape after a five-day court trial presided over by Monterey County Superior Court Judge Pamela L. Butler.

Fonseca, a member of Northside Boronda, a Salinas-based Norteño gang subset, received instructions from an incarcerated gang member to commit a murder. On June 2, 2018, Fonseca acted on these instructions. On Klamath Drive, Fonseca located Lorenzo Acosta, age 37, who was visiting family members in Salinas. When Fonseca spotted him, Acosta was seated in the front seat of his car video-chatting with his wife after he returned from a trip to the grocery store. Fonseca approached Acosta, opened his car door, and repeatedly shot him in view of Acosta's wife, who was still video-chatting with Acosta.

After Acosta's murder, Fonseca received instructions to murder another person. On June 5, 2018, Fonseca accessed the online profile of his girlfriend, Alexandra Romayor. Posing as Romayor, Fonseca sent messages to Ernesto Cruz, 22. In these messages, Fonseca convinced Cruz to drive to El Dorado Park in Salinas to meet with Romayor. After Cruz arrived at the park, Fonseca and Romayor walked there.

Before they arrived at El Dorado Park, Fonseca instructed Romayor to enter Cruz's vehicle, keep Cruz occupied, and exit Cruz's vehicle when Fonseca arrived. Fonseca and Romayor then followed this plan. When Fonseca arrived at Cruz's vehicle, he ordered

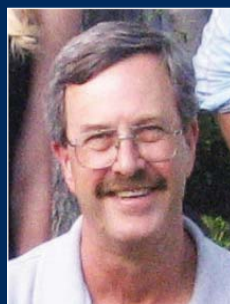
Cruz out of his vehicle and repeatedly shot him. Civilian witnesses near the scene of Cruz's murder recognized Fonseca and Romayor and identified them to detectives. The next day, Salinas Police officers arrested Fonseca and Romayor in a traffic stop. A search of their vehicle located a firearm that subsequent forensic testing determined was the same firearm used in both murders.

On Nov. 3, 2019, Monterey County Jail deputies were unable to account for Fonseca's absence from E-Dorm in the Monterey County Jail. Inspection of E-Dorm revealed an inmate-created hole in the bathroom ceiling. This hole led to a pipe chase door on the exterior of E-Dorm. Due to ongoing construction, E-Dorm's exterior had limited fencing.

The same day, the Monterey County Sheriff's Office and federal authorities launched a large-scale manhunt to find Fonseca. Two days later, federal authorities located Fonseca attempting to cross back into the United States under a false identity at the U.S.-Mexican point of entry in San Ysidro, California.

On June 29, 2019, Alexandra Romayor received a sentence of 17 years and eight months to life after she entered a no contest plea to felony counts of second degree murder, accessory to murder, and possession of a loaded firearm.

Fonseca's sentencing is scheduled for Oct. 9. Because of a prior conviction under California's Three Strikes Law, Fonseca faces a sentence ranging between 102 years and 8 months to life and 156 years to life in the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.



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Police tested as thousands try to use beach during Labor Day holiday

■ Several arrests made

By KELLY NIX

POLICE OFFICERS and other law enforcement workers during Labor Day weekend kept thousands of people visitors and locals and others away from Carmel Beach but it wasn't easy, and they endured a lot of expletives and even a physical attack, the chief of police said this week.

Chief Paul Tomasi told The Pine Cone that the three-day weekend was exhausting for city staff, including police, fire, ambulance workers and others, who he said worked hard to try and educate people about the beach closures, mask mandate and other laws, while also maintaining peace and order. Many people, though, were not appreciative.

"We took an incredible amount of verbal abuse, both on the streets and through our call center, from a lot of angry people who wanted to access the beach," Tomasi said. "It wasn't that people arrived and were uninformed of the beach closure, they just elected to fight us on the closure."

Lots of expletives

Besides a lot of expletives directed toward officers and dispatchers, one angry local attacked a volunteer Community Emergency Response Team member after being told they couldn't go onto the beach.

The CERT member was helping police by informing people about the beach rules.

"The resident grabbed the CERT member's cell phone and threw it from Scenic onto the beach," Tomasi said. "We are still determining if charges will be filed against the resident involved in the phone incident, so I can't release the name."

The city council voted last week to shut down Carmel Beach, its parking lot and Scenic Road from 12:01 a.m. Sept. 4 to 11:59 p.m. Sept. 7. However, many people pushed back against the rules.

Tomasi said the five to six officers who worked each day on the weekend had "about 10,000 angry contacts at the beach," from people who disagreed with the legality of its closure to others who denied the existence of the Covid-19 pandemic. Officers also fielded scores of queries from visitors regarding the city's rules.

A group that began a protest at Carmel Plaza Monday afternoon and walked to the beach, tore down signs and police tape that officers had put at the beach warning people not to enter. The organizer of the protest, David Rodriguez from Santa Cruz, was arrested and cited for outstanding arrest warrants, Tomasi said.

"This group aggressively challenged people to take off their masks, claiming the pandemic was a hoax," the police chief said. "The protest at the plaza was peaceful, but the actions through town and at the beach endangered others and that is what is disappointing and unfortunate."

"The level of defiance from people was extremely disappointing and it involved both residents and tourists alike," Tomasi added. "The rules put in place are done so to protect people. We may not all agree on the rules or restrictions but we should respect those who are asked to enforce them."

City administrator Chip Rerig said the city estimates that 10,000 people per day were in town during the long weekend.

Tomasi said officers made other arrests unrelated to the beach closure, including people who were drunk in public.

Meanwhile, stained glass artist Theresa Buccola, who was arrested by police in early July on Carmel Beach in defiance of the closure, was also part of a group that pro-

tested the mask requirement and closures and went onto Carmel Beach.

"It's really important that we have to remember that our rights come from God or nature, which God created," Buccola said in a video shot at the beach that she uploaded to social media. "To believe that government officials have some sort of ability to give us our rights is fraud and deception."

Buccola also said in the video that "we pulled all the police tape down" at the beach, though it's not clear if she was part of the group Tomasi said did the same thing.

Buccola's video footage showed dozens of people — unrelated to the group she was in — on Carmel Beach soaking up the sun.

The protests were preceded by a "notice of violation" that Buccola and others gave to city administrator Chip Rerig, Tomasi, Mayor Dave Potter, Monterey County health officer Ed Moreno, and county sheriff Steve Bernal on Sept. 4 to express their discontent with the shutdown rules.

"Parroting, mimicking and repeating lies about a 'pandemic' does not make it so, when in Monterey County, Covid-19 poses a .00013 percent risk of death for an individual in the general population," according to the violation notice.

'Violation of natural rights'

Carmel artist Casey Koerner, said the group who carried out the protest is made up of residents who view the Covid-19 restrictions as a "constitutional violation of our natural rights from God as sovereign human beings."

"Currently, families and businesses nationwide are being destroyed by the opinions of national and local officials, with a factually non-existent basis of imminent danger," Koerner told The Pine Cone.

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Hastings Reserve survives two fires but a third one looms

By CHRIS COUNTS

A HAVEN for wildlife and a classroom for researchers, the 2,500-acre Hastings Natural History Reserve in Upper Carmel Valley had a close call Aug. 21 when a wildfire that erupted near Salinas scorched 600 acres and came close to buildings.

When the smoke cleared, longtime Hastings staff member Jaime del Valle — who’s also a volunteer with the Cachagua fire brigade — received praise for not only his ability to multi task, but also the foresight he showed preparing for wildfires.

While he was busy fighting another fire in Cachagua, officially known as the Carmel Fire, del Valle also kept an eye on the River Fire near Salinas.

“He was instrumental in ensuring that we had the resources we needed to protect our buildings,” Hastings director Jen Hunter told The Pine Cone. “The fire got close — very close. But there wasn’t any major damage, due in no small part to the careful maintenance of firebreaks by Jaime over his 16 years at Hastings.”

Hunter said it could have been much worse. Instead, the reserve is offering shelter to some of the people who lost their homes.

“Fire and weather conditions on the day Hastings burned were a big help and we escaped catastrophe,” said Hunter, whose family was evacuated from the fire, along with six researchers. “Many of our neighbors in Cachagua weren’t so lucky and we have been able to use our facilities to house community members who were displaced.”

While the reserve escaped severe damage from the two earlier fires, now it has to contend with Big Sur’s Dolan Fire, which is spreading quickly in its direction.

Meanwhile, the 600 acres inside the reserve that were burned by the Salinas fire will provide a wealth of research possibilities as the charred landscape comes back to life, and its hillsides are become covered with native grasses, poppies and lupines. In fact, blades of bright green grass are already sprouting up in areas of the reserve

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It didn't take long after a wildfire swept through Hastings Natural History Reserve in Carmel Valley last month before new growth started poking up from the charred landscape.



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Big Sur neighborhood asks for \$\$ help to save road battered by fire, slides

By CHRIS COUNTS

WITH ITS only access road still badly damaged from the Soberanes Fire in 2016 and the mudslides that followed, a group of residents have launched a crowdfunding campaign to raise \$400,000 still needed for repairs.

The residents live along Upper Rocky Creek Road, which meets Palo Colorado Road about 4 miles east of Highway 1. Built in the 1930s as a logging road, it was damaged by a slide, and its wood supports were burned by the fire, further destabilizing it.

"After the fire, we had heavy rains, and a portion of our hillside gave way, taking a 90-foot section of road with it," said resident Angela Padilla, who lost her home in the fire. "What is left is just barely wide enough for a passenger vehicle when the road is dry, but due to the instability of the road, we are forced to use small ATVs or walk when it rains just

to get our families and basic necessities home."

This week, massive steel beams that will soon support Upper Rocky Creek Road were trucked up Palo Colorado Road, which proved to be no small challenge. Each beam weighs more than 6,000 pounds.

Short of a goal

The neighborhood lost 28 of its 43 structures in the Soberanes Fire. As a result, many residents are facing enormous financial challenges.

"For the last four years, our community has worked tirelessly to raise money for the road repair," Padilla said. "But it hasn't been enough, and with no funds available from federal, state, or local governments, we are asking for everyone's help to reach our goal. If it's not repaired, the road will fail and access to our 89 residents will be lost forever."

For more details about the fundraiser, visit: cabjsur.org/donate.



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All Saints welcomes some students

By KELLY NIX

WITH SMALLER than normal class sizes, classrooms arranged to provide more space between pupils and other Covid-19 safety measures, All Saints Day School next week is welcoming back students in grades one through five for in-class instruction, school head Scott Fujita told The Pine Cone this week.

The school notified parents last week that it would be inviting students in grades one and two back on campus on Monday, Sept. 14, while children in grades three through five would return two days later on Sept. 16. Fujita said class sizes would be generally limited to 10 students.

"This will allow us to provide the targeted instruction that will serve these students so well during these very unconventional times," Fujita told The Pine Cone.

All Saints, he said, is following guidance from the California Department of Public Health, which is now allowing some schools to offer in-class instruction.

"It is at these elementary grade levels where there's such a risk of learning loss, and as we all know, students — especially those at these young ages — learn best in person," he said. "Additionally, All Saints' longstanding commitment to and integration of social-emotional learning dynamics are crucial at these grade levels and are not able to be taught as effectively in a distance learning format."

The school worked on measures that would keep students and employees as safe as "practically possible," including rearranging classrooms to ensure distancing and creating outdoor learning spaces. Full-size plexiglass screens were also installed.

"Specialty teachers will utilize our Zoom board technology in order to join the classroom without physically interacting with students, thus minimizing the risk for potential spread among cohorts," Fujita said.

All Saints has a distance learning option for families who are not comfortable returning to campus.

P.G. council candidates to field questions

By KELLY NIX

THE PACIFIC Grove Chamber of Commerce next week is hosting a forum for the six people vying for three open seats on the P.G. City Council, and residents can submit questions to the candidates, which include a substitute teacher and a relative newcomer to the city.

On Tuesday, Sept. 15 from 6 to 8 p.m., the chamber will hold a forum for candidates for offices in P.G. The public can submit questions, which will be presented to the candidates by a moderator for the event. In addition to the six candidates, Mayor Bill Peake is running for reelection and is unopposed.

"It is more important than ever before to watch this forum because of Covid," chamber president Moe Ammar told The Pine Cone Wednesday.

The candidates are marine science technician and civic activist Luke Coletti, teacher Jill Kleiss, former police chief and county sheriff Scott Miller, businessman Chaps Poduri, incumbent Nick Smith, an attorney, and firefighter and paramedic Scott Woodfin. Poduri is the newest resident in the bunch, having moved to Pacific Grove in "late 2016," according to his can-

didate statement.

The terms for council members Robert Huitt and Cynthia Garfield expire in November.

Unlike previous candidates' forums which have been held at the city's community center and drew about 200 people, this year's will be held online and broadcast on Comcast channel 25. The chamber has a long tradition of presenting candidates to the public.

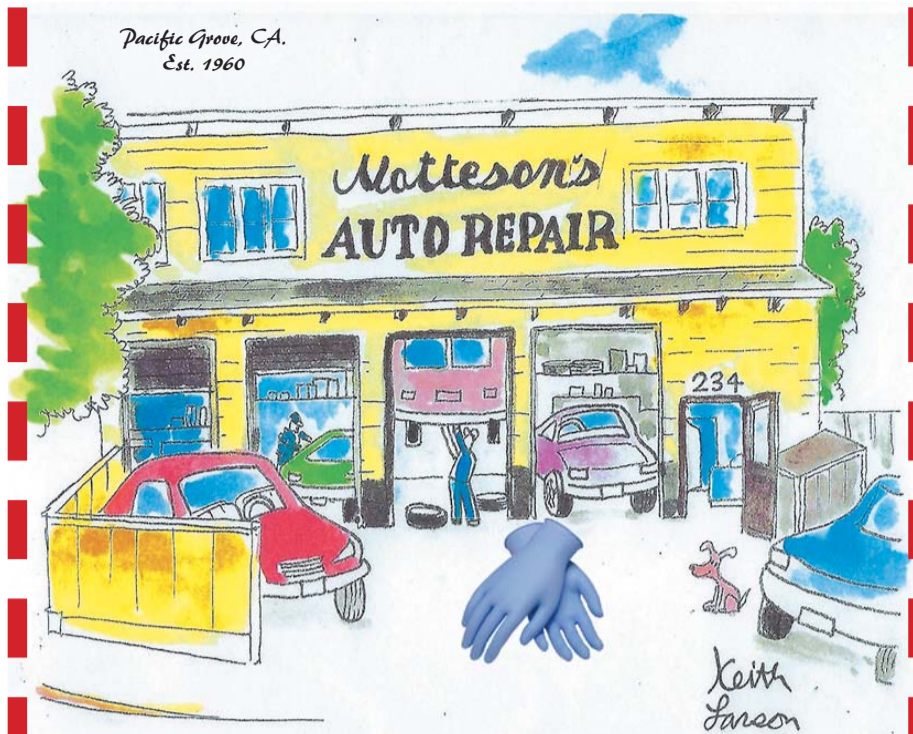
How to listen

Ammar, who has been with the chamber since 1993, said that for as long as he can remember, the chamber has hosted a candidates' forum, which he said has been highly influential.

"In all the years that I have been handling this event, I clearly recall residents walking away from the event knowing who they will be voting for," he said.

Questions for the candidates should be emailed to lwmryco@gmail.com with "Candidates Forum" in the subject line. The meeting can be accessed online by going to <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84509418966> and following the prompts. Or you can listen in by calling (669) 900-9128 and using the meeting code 845 0941 8966.

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Big hearing next week for Cal Am desal plant

By KELLY NIX

CALIFORNIA AMERICAN Water is expected to find out next week whether the California Coastal Commission will allow it to build a desalination plant near Marina that would provide the Monterey Peninsula with a drought-free supply and allow it to stop pumping most of its water from the Carmel River.

Coastal commissioners will decide Sept. 17 whether to issue a permit to Cal Am to build its proposed desal plant, which would provide 6.4 million gallons of potable water per day for Peninsula residents. The hearing can be seen online.

Cal Am, which is under a 25-year-old State Water Resources Control Board order to build an alternative water supply project, faces a formidable challenge, however. The coastal commission's powerful planning staff has twice recommended that the permit be denied, chiefly because of environmental concerns — although Cal Am's cutback order is also in place for environmental reasons affecting

the Carmel River.

While the coastal commission required Cal Am to pursue the expensive slant-well technology proposed for the desal operation because the onshore wells would do much less damage to sea life, the agency now says the project shouldn't be built at all. Instead, it says water for the Peninsula should be supplied by Pure Water Monterey, a wastewater reclamation project sponsored by the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and Monterey One Water, the sewer district.

Cal Am argues that Pure Water Monterey wouldn't provide enough water to meet the Peninsula's long-term demand.

If it is built, the desal plant's wells would be drilled in sand dunes on property owned by sand mining company Cemex, which agreed to stop extracting sand from the last beach sand mining operation in California by Dec. 31, 2020 — about the time Cal Am has said its desal plant should start operating.

Cal Am proposed the desal plant to comply with State

Water Resources Control Board orders to find an alternative to drawing from the Carmel River, where the threatened steelhead trout and red-legged frog live. The California Public Utilities Commission OK'd the proposal in September 2018.

The city of Marina, which will not benefit from the desal plant, also opposes the desal plant, alleging it will harm its groundwater supplies. The coastal commission staff report concluded that the possibility was "inconclusive."

The read the coastal commission staff report and watch the Sept. 17 hearing — which begins at 9 a.m. — go to coastal.ca.gov.



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EXPLODES

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evacuation orders last week for residents who live south of the road. Their worst fears were realized Monday night when high winds caused the fire to flare up dramatically. "It really stood up and made a run," Madsen said. "It made some serious movement — it burned maybe 30,000 new acres overnight."

Residents as far south as Salmon Creek — which is 17 miles south of Nacimiento-Fergusson Road — have been ordered to evacuate. Because it is vulnerable, guests and staff were also evacuated from Treebones Resort.

To the east, evacuations warnings were given to residents who live just outside King City.

As of Thursday, the fight against the fire in Big Sur was centered on neighborhoods

south of Nacimiento-Fergusson Road. "On the south end of the fire, we're focusing on establishing a control line from the coastal divide down to Highway 1 utilizing Prewitt Ridge," Fire official Kyle Cannon said. "We've got structure protection initiated in there, and we are initiating a burn-out along Prewitt Ridge in order to tie that in and remove the unburnt fuel between the main fire edge and our control line."

As the fire worked its way into Fort Hunter Liggett and spread closer to Salinas Valley, crews responded by establishing control lines and setting backburns. They are also trying to slow the northern advance of the fire. "We're exploring options to create a control line on north side of fire to add structure protection," Cannon explained.

While the fire expanded in three directions, it's made no recent movement to the west, where Highway 1 is keeping it in check. "It's looking very good on the west side of the fire," Cannon added.

After high temperatures and strong winds early in the week, the weather is looking a little more favorable for firefighters. National Weather Service meteorologist Jim Dudley said the layer of smoke hanging over Monterey County — which he said is coming from Oregon and Northern California — is not only moderating temperatures, but keeping the wind down.

The fire has grown to an estimated 111,382 acres, and its containment is estimated at 26 percent. More than 700 firefighters are on the scene, along with 66 fire engines, 111 hand crews, 8 bulldozers, 22 water tenders and 10 helicopters. At least 13 structures have burned down, along with the fire station.

Ivan Geronimo Gomez, 30, of Fresno, was arrested on suspicion of starting the fire Aug. 18. He remains jailed on felony arson charges, with his bail set at \$2 million.

Feds close all of Los Padres

With wildfires raging throughout the state, United States Forest Service officials took the "extraordinary" step on Monday of closing the entire Los Padres National Forest.

Stretching from just north of Ventura to just south of Carmel, Los Padres National Forest contains more than two million acres. Its many trails and campgrounds fill up with visitors every summer, even when

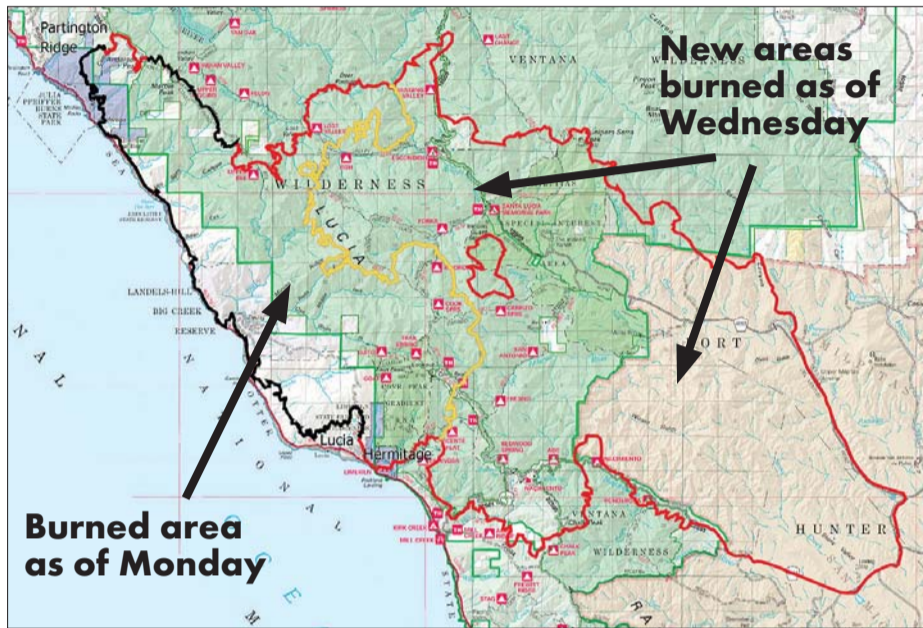
wildfires are burning nearby.

"The wildfire situation throughout California is dangerous and must be taken seriously," forest service official Randy Moore said. "Existing fires are displaying extreme fire behavior, new fire starts are likely, weather conditions are worsening, and we simply do not have enough resources to fully fight and contain every fire."

Moore said the forest won't reopen until "conditions improve" and visitors can "recreate safely." Until then, people will have to stay away so firefighters can do their work unimpeded. "We are bringing every resource to bear nationally and internationally to fight these fires," Moore added.

The California Department of Transportation is already preparing for the mudslides that will likely come due to the erosion that typically follows a wildfire in Big Sur. "A team of Caltrans engineers is also analyzing potential rock fall locations to determine the need for slope scaling in the near future," the agency announced this week.

Preserving a road after a wildfire is no small challenge because when vegetation burns and roots systems are destroyed, there's little to hold the soil in place when rain arrives. Nearly half of county-maintained Palo Colorado Road remains inaccessible four years after the Soberanes Fire due to slides that followed the blaze.



This map shows the explosive growth of the Dolan Fire between Monday and Wednesday evening.

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TREES

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years on the North Dunes habitat restoration efforts, calling for 17 trees and dozens of other plants and shrubs. She assured commissioners the result will be a “green, lush area,” adding that she’s also planted fruit trees and others that are not part of the plan.

She also said she’d contribute \$21,250 to the North Dunes restoration work, which was defunded along with all other capital projects in the 2020-2021 city budget, based on the equivalent of a replanting ratio of five new trees for every one removed at a rate of \$250 per tree.

“This is a very generous offer,” she noted.

‘Inappropriate for site’

Commission chair Mike Caddell wondered how it could be acceptable to go from 44 towering eucalyptus — Overett

got permission from the city council to cut down 27 on the east side last year, after the forest and beach commission denied her request — to just four upper canopy trees. Those would be Monterey cypress, while the rest will be oaks and strawberry trees, a kind of madrone. Thirteen of the 17 trees have already been planted, as have other trees and bushes not included in the plan, according to Overett.

“I don’t understand why we don’t have more,” Caddell said.

Canepa told him having a lot of very tall trees would be “inappropriate for the site,” while the proposed plan would do “far more for carbon sequestration, for habitat diversity, and for the North Dunes, especially.” Having too many tall trees would limit their growth and crowd out other vegetation. It would also block vistas that have opened up since Overett removed the first group last fall. For the first time in decades anybody driving into town on San Antonio Ave. from the Pebble Beach gate can now enjoy a beautiful view across Carmel Bay to Point Lobos. And many homeowners

in the neighborhood just above Overett’s property now have glorious ocean views.

“I get people practically kissing my feet,” Overett said. “The neighbors are all really thrilled because they all have views.”

‘Sparseness of this plan’

Landscaper Ramie Allard objected to “the sparseness of this plan,” and wanted renderings to show how it will look when the trees mature. She also requested more details regarding what kind of plants will be where.

Resident and city council candidate Karen Ferlito said removing the first 27 trees created “a visual shock,” and the landscaping plan “doesn’t really give us the confidence to know that we are going to have a skyline of some sort with some tall trees.”

Mo Massoudi, a former forest and beach commissioner and also a candidate for council, asked why the eucalyptus should be removed.

“Recently eucalyptus trees are really getting a bad rap in our community,” he said. “The notion I’m getting is that just because they’re eucalyptus trees and not native, therefore we should eliminate them. I’m asking a fair question: Why?”

He argued that if they are not in imminent danger of falling, they should stay for the benefit of the environment.

Forest and beach commissioner Darlene Mosley said current wildfires made her not concerned about the fire danger eucalyptus present, but about the species living in

them.

“We don’t know what taking out the first group has done to the habitat, and with these fire ranging on, my first thought was, ‘Oh my gosh, the poor wild animals,’” she said, asking if anyone has studied the habitat. And because the trees have been growing for longer than she’s been alive, she said, they “are more native than I am.”

Commissioner Sarah Berling noted that any critters and bugs living in the eucalyptus will adjust after the trees are gone. “I am for the eucalyptus trees being cut down,” she said. “I believe they are a fire danger.”

The city has cut down most of its eucalyptus, including along Fourth Avenue years ago and in Mission Trail park much more recently, Berling added.

Commissioner Al Saroyan repeated his concerns about the habitat and said, “we really haven’t addressed the community outcry and community concerns over the loss of the skyline and the beautiful trees that we lost with the first 27. And the plan certainly doesn’t address any of the community’s concerns with these small trees that will never mature into anything in the next 20 years that will be visible from San Antonio.”

Saroyan did not say who or how many in the “community” are concerned, and only three members of the public commented at the meeting. He wanted the plan “reconsidered” and said it should include

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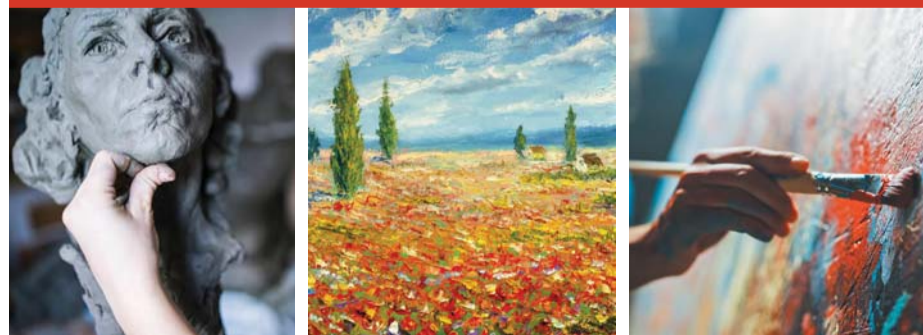


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“mature trees,” and more, taller ones.

Even though he appreciates walking by the eucalyptus and lamented losing the first grove — and commented fairly strongly during past meetings that the rest should stay — commissioner JC Myers said he decided “to take my emotion away from this.”

The forest management plan suggests tree density on



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Some of the large eucalyptus trees growing on private property at the north end of Carmel Beach. The trees are set to be removed and replaced with native species.

any site should be appropriate for the neighborhood, and along San Antonio near the beach, he observed, “there aren’t a lot of upper canopy trees.”

Myers said Overett’s plan is “thought through well” and creates a good transition from San Antonio, down through the property and into the North Dunes habitat area. “I think we’ve been given a really good plan with some great visual appeal to come.”

Caddell agreed and suggested the commission not “tilt at windmills” by continuing to fight her.

“The time to do that was a year ago when we opposed the removal of the first 27, and we lost that battle,” he said. “The city council overruled us for what I think were not very good reasons, and approved a landscape plan the commission hasn’t favored.”

‘Enjoyed by future generations’

This time, he said, it would make more sense to approve the removal with a plan the commission can control.

“If we simply deny the application, I have no doubt the city council will grant it, and it will grant it with very few conditions, and we will have lost the opportunity to do our jobs,” he said.

The commission unanimously approved the removal, which Overett said will take place after a bird study, with the condition that the site be monitored annually for a decade, that two more tall trees be added, that stumps be removed where possible, and that Overett contribute \$21,250 to the city for the North Dunes project.

The next phase of her tree removal project will cost more than \$30,000, but at least one city official thinks the expense is well worth it.


“Personally, I think you are doing the responsible thing by managing a man-made situation and while it is a dramatic change, the end result will be enjoyed by future generations just as we had the benefit of enjoying the eucalyptus,” said Waffle.




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VIRUS

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than 750 cases the county reported the first week of September, and the regular reporting of 80, 90 or more than 100 cases per day, including when the county reported 404 new cases on Aug. 16 alone — a record which more than doubled the previous record of 181 new cases on July 23.

But the reason for the slowdown is not obvious. A backlog in data reported by California Department of Public Health in August caused many cases to not show up in the county's data, which skewed the numbers. Asked about this week's low numbers, county health spokeswoman Karen Smith said Wednesday that the state has not notified Monterey County of any new issues with the statewide surveillance system.

"The Monterey County Health Department is monitoring the data stream closely and will notify the public of any surveillance system issues," Smith said.

Hospitalizations are also not climbing, with the county reporting only two new infected people who had to be admitted to one of the county's four hospitals. CHOMP now has one inpatient, while Salinas Valley Memorial has 15.

On Wednesday, Natividad Medical Center had 10.

The number of virus tests received has decreased significantly, too. On Sept. 6, the county reported 315 tests, both positive and negative, while that number was 340 Sept. 7 and 388 on Sept. 8. The numbers earlier in the month were almost twice as large.

The county's test positivity rate Thursday was 11.24 percent. Nearly 8,700 county residents have tested positive for the virus since the pandemic began.

Far from advancing

What is unchanged is where a majority of the cases are occurring. Salinas and the Salinas Valley account for 82.8 percent of the cases in the county. By comparison, the Monterey Peninsula, has accounted for 785 cases (9.03 percent) and North Monterey County has had 711 cases (8.17 percent). About 74 percent of those with the virus have been Hispanic or Latino.

While coronavirus can cause serious illness in those with medical conditions such as hypertension, diabetes and asthma, people in that category have accounted for only 33.18 percent of everyone infected in Monterey County. The majority, 66.82 percent of those who have had the virus, have no known preexisting medical conditions, the data indicates.

Despite what appears to be a positive trend this week, Monterey County is far from advancing to the next stage of reopening, which the state said cannot be done until the county has a seven-day average per 100,000 people of 7.0 and have it remain there for three consecutive weeks. There have also been six Covid-19-related deaths in the county over the past 14 days.

Meanwhile, in the last 14 days, the county's two correctional facilities, Salinas Valley State Prison and the Correctional Training Facility Soledad, reported a total of 58 new virus cases among inmates. One inmate at Soledad died from the virus. There have also been 93 employees at the two prisons who have tested positive for coronavirus.

Yoga returns to Sunset Center with outside classes

By CHRIS COUNTS

ONCE THE busiest yoga studio in the Monterey Peninsula, Sunset Center's Carmel Yoga Center closed in April because of the pandemic.

This week, a pair of local yoga teachers will open a new studio at Sunset Center with outdoor classes until they can move inside.

"We'll be offering classes and workshops on the Sunset Center Terrace outside the auditorium," said one of the teachers, Krystle Konikowski.

When the pandemic is over, Konikowski and co-owner Jenice Schultheis will move to the space formerly occupied by the Yoga Center and operate under the name Yoga Shala by the Sea. But until it is safe, they will teach outside.

The two women want to offer two to four outdoor classes each day, seven days a week, with classes limited to 10 students who will be kept 10 feet apart. To keep everybody safe, students will have to bring their own mats. The teachers will also take temperatures before each class.

"All Covid-19 protocols will be in place," Konikowski said.

The cost for single 75-minute classes is \$25. Work exchange and scholarship opportunities are available. Classes by "a diverse, knowledgeable and gifted group of instructors" will be offered for advanced, intermediate and beginning students, along with classes in meditation, tai-chi, dance and much more. There will also be yoga classes for kids.

Became close friends

Yoga has been offered at Sunset Center since at least 1989, when Phyllis Haffner opened the Carmel Tri-Yoga Academy. Kathleen Karachale later took over the business and renamed it Carmel Yoga Center.

It's somehow appropriate that Konikowski and Schultheis are launching their yoga venture at a time when wildfires are raging nearby — the two met when Konikowski's home in Palo Colorado was destroyed by the Soberanes Fire in 2016. Schultheis let Konikowski and her husband stay in her guest house for nine months, and the two teachers became close friends. "We're like family now," Schultheis said.

Karachale, meanwhile, is thrilled to see the two women bring the studio back to Sunset Center. "I feel so blessed," she added. "The legacy continues."



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Krystle Konikowski and Jenice Schultheis, who plan to start offering outdoor Yoga classes at Sunset Center.

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Staffing shortfall impeding virus investigations

By KELLY NIX

THE MONTEREY County employees responsible for contacting people who have tested positive for the coronavirus are handling as many as three times the number of cases that their counterparts in other counties do, which has led to lags in informing infected people to quarantine themselves and finding out who their contacts have been, as well as ascertaining demographic data, according to a county health department official.

“Our case investigators have caseloads two and three times of what other jurisdictions have,” assistant director of public health Kristy Michie told the board of supervisors last month. “Most jurisdictions have caseloads of 20 per investigator. Ours have upwards of 60 to 75.”

Michie conceded that the number of cases investigators are handling “is an issue” and has resulted in delays, including delays in contacting those who are infected.

“The case investigators are not as timely in their initial calls and follow-up calls to people who have tested posi-

tive as they would like to be,” she said.

During those phone calls, investigators not only verify a person’s virus diagnosis, they also determine their infectious period, find out who they’ve been in contact with during that time, and whether they can isolate themselves from others — critically important information health departments need to help prevent the spread of the virus.

More people infected?

Michie wouldn’t say whether case investigators’ heavy workload and inability to timely contact those infected with the virus could be responsible for more people becoming infected. However, she said the health department and virus testing site employees since early August have worked to “mitigate any potential delays in isolation or

quarantine instructions.”

Doctors “encourage individuals who are positive to ask household and other close contacts to self-quarantine and consider getting tested,” Michie explained. “Businesses have also taken an active role in supporting case and contact investigations by informing employees of exposures and instructing them to self-quarantine.”

The news that county case investigators were handling much more work than their counterparts came after District 1 Supervisor Luis Alejo asked why the health department had failed to identify the race of many of those infected with the virus in the county, which tracks how many Hispanic and Latino, White, Black and Asian and Pacific Islanders have been infected.

While county health, as of Thursday, has identified the race of more than 6,400 people, it has been unable — because of the staffing shortfall — to determine the race of 1,760 others classified as “other and under investigation.”

CONDORS

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so the young bird was relocated to the Los Angeles Zoo, “where she will spend the next year until she is ready to be released back into the wild and reunited with her flock.”


The search for more condors continues. The VWA reported that nine are still missing. While a condor’s ability to fly long distances would seem to make escape from a fire easy for them, Sorenson noted that they will only fly during the day, while much of the Big Sur fire’s recent growth has happened after dark.

The search for them continues. “We’re not giving up,” Sorenson added.

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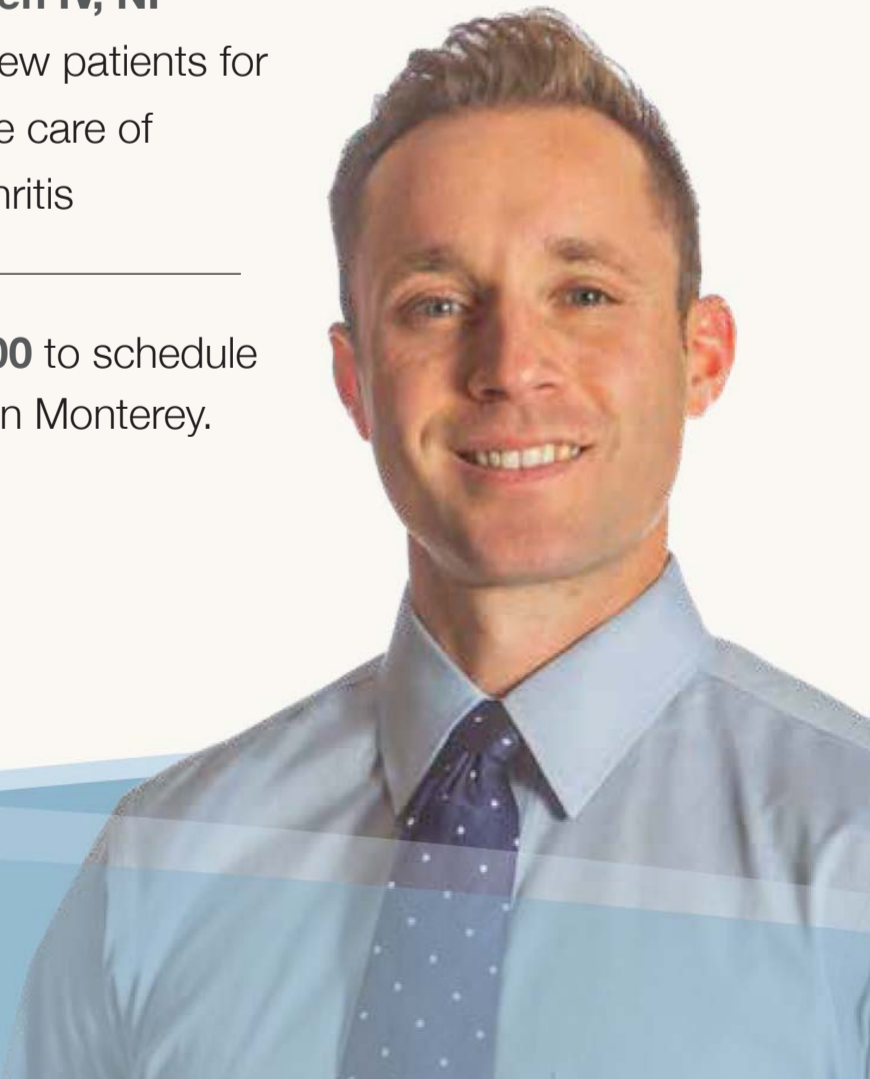
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Christina 'Tina' Fairbanks

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Christina Margaret Owen Fairbanks was born August 20, 1951 at Queen Kapi'olani Women's Hospital in Honolulu, Hawaii, to Barbara and Robert Owen. She died suddenly August 29 of a heart attack.

Tina attended school in Birmingham, Michigan, until her family moved to Evergreen, Colorado. She attended Colorado State University where she met her husband of 49 years, Bruce Fairbanks.



There she majored in art. When the art building was burned down by student riots and she lost all her work she decided it was time to move on. She studied design in Denver before beginning a career in retail.

As soon as Bruce graduated they moved to Mississippi where he was stationed with the Air Force. They were later stationed in South Korea. They lived in New York, Albuquerque and Texas where Tina organized fundraising events for

non-profits and owned a catering business before settling in San Francisco.

Tina became a very fine ceramics artist and the best family reunion party planner for all her cousins.

After living part-time in Carmel for several years they settled in Carmel permanently. There Tina became very involved with the Marine Mammal Center which rescues seals, sea lions, otters and whales. She was also active in the Stillwater Yacht Club.

Tina is survived by her husband Bruce, sisters Melinne Owen, Claudia Rector, Rebecca Owen and Jennifer Retherford as well as a niece Sarah Retherford and two nephews, Robert and Christopher Retherford.

Tina brought joy and laughter to everyone she met. She will be sadly missed by so many.

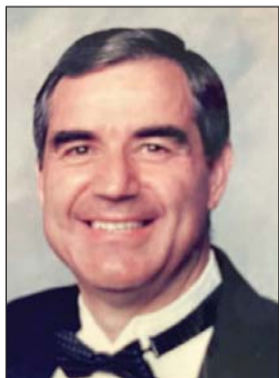
A memorial gathering will be held in the future. In lieu of flowers a donation can be made to The Marine Mammal Center www.marinemammalcenter.org/memory in Tina's name.

To place an obituary for your loved one, contact anne@carmelpinecone.com or (831) 274-8654

PAUL J. MARTO, Sc.D.

Distinguished Professor Emeritus Paul J. Marto, Sc.D., passed from this life into the presence of his Savior on June 20, 2020. His beloved wife of 59 years, Ginger Indence Marto, was blessed to be at his bedside.

Dr. Marto, born in Flushing, NY and raised in Little Neck, Long Island, was the youngest of four children born to Peter J. Marto and Natalie Verrinaldi Marto. He was a graduate of the University of Notre Dame, B.S. in Engineering Science, 1960, and of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, M.S., 1962, and Sc.D., 1965, in Nuclear Engineering. He was then commissioned into the U.S. Navy and joined the Mechanical Engineering Department Faculty at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, CA. That military assignment led to a notable teaching and research career at NPS that extended beyond his retirement in 1997 and included his serving as Department Chairman and Dean of Research.



In both his professional and private lives, Dr. Marto treated everyone with kindness and respect. He cherished his Catholic faith, was an active member of the Carmel Mission Parish for over 30 years, participated in numerous professional and civic organizations and entered fully into the lives of his family and loved ones.

In addition to Ginger, he dearly loved and is survived by his daughters Terese Sanders and Laura Marto and his sons Paul, Jr. and Wayne; son-in-law Scott Sanders; daughters-in-law Agi and Star; seven grandchildren, Chevis Sanders, Brandi Sanders Edgar (RJ), Bailey Barnick (Keena Thomas), Andras, AJ, Eden and Isaiah Marto; brother Peter (Vera Moldt); brother-in-law and sister-in-law Anthony and Helen Intintoli, brother-in-law Joseph Indence, sister-in-law Margaret Rose de Faymoreau Yogis; and many cherished nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his sisters Elaine Benson and Natalie Kline (Michael).

Although Paul Marto's earthly journey has concluded and his passing leaves an enormous void in the lives of his family and loved ones, he remains with us in spirit as we move forward with countless memories of his infectious laughter, infinite patience and unconditional love.

Plans for a Celebration of Life are pending. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to The National Right to Life Committee, The Notre Dame University Band of the Fighting Irish Robert F. O'Brien Fund, The Carmel Mission Foundation, Relevant Radio or to the charity of your choice.

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HASTINGS

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that were charred black just two weeks ago, illustrating how quickly the vegetation can return after a fire.

"We live in a landscape adapted to fire," explained Hunter, who's back at the reserve for now. "We expect the reserve will burn again — these events, while unnerving, are ultimately good for the ecosystems we protect. Hastings researchers are already developing plans to study the impacts of the fire on our plants and animals."

Hunter said the fire was a wake-up call

for the reserve, which she said needs a big upgrade of its facilities if it's going to survive the next blaze intact.

"The River Fire tested our capacity to cope with a major fire event and while we fared well this time, we realize that we may not be so lucky in the future," she added. "Our equipment is old, and our fire prevention infrastructure is outdated. Our 30-year-old tractor is not up to the task of making or maintaining new firebreaks. Critical water storage tanks need valves replaced and our fire hoses are at the end of their useful life."

To pay for the upgrades, a fundraiser is underway. For more details, visit hastings-reserve.org.

A wildfire that started near Salinas scorched 600 acres at Hastings Natural History Reserve three weeks ago, but firefighters and staff saved its buildings.

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HASTINGS RESERVE



Ann Graves Gordon

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Ann Graves Gordon, age 37, of Carmel and Charlottesville, Virginia, our beautiful daughter, mother, sister, niece, aunt and friend, departed this life unexpectedly on August 15, 2020, at the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula (CHOMP) surrounded by her parents and brothers. Ann, or Anna as she was known to many friends, was born in Atlanta, Georgia on February 27, 1983. She was the first born of William J. and Nancy H. Gordon and is survived by them, her son Landon Tate, her brothers Will (Lauren) and Rob (Elizabeth), her nephews Wick and Sterling and her nieces Avery and Charlotte, her grandmother Ann Hamner of Vero Beach, Florida, her aunt and uncle Toni and George Hamner also of Vero Beach, and Stormy, her Labrador Retriever. Ann was predeceased by her beloved grandfather George Hamner, Sr. and grandmother Rae Gordon.

Ann's childhood homes were in Atlanta and Vero Beach, Florida where she attended St. Edward's School. Her high school and college years were spent at Chatham Hall in Virginia and Clemson University. Afterward she lived in a variety of places, including Delray Beach, Atlanta, Charlottesville, Asheville, Scottsdale, and finally Carmel. No one could ever say that Ann did not have an eye for the "good life." Ann's passions were her family, her many friends, and the fashion industry to which she contributed her beauty, her zest for style, and her Sacred Fashion brand. Her family and friends will miss her incredible heart, caring personality, and lust for a life that was cut too short.

Ann's family would like to express its appreciation for the care provided by the ICU and Palliative Care Teams at CHOMP during her final hours. She will be interred in the Memorial Garden of Christ Episcopal Church in Charlottesville, Virginia.

Those friends who wish to make a donation in Ann's memory are encouraged to consider Ohana Montage Health c/o Montage Health Foundation, 40 Ryan Court, Suite 200, Monterey, CA 93940.

Postage snafu delays planning commission

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

A HALF-DOZEN public hearings for new homes, commercial remodels and businesses that were supposed to take place at this week's planning commission meeting have been delayed due to an error in public noticing, according to planning director Marnie Waffle. An email sent the day before the planned Sept. 9 meeting notified the public the meeting was canceled and that the next regularly scheduled meeting will be held in October.

"We did not meet our public noticing requirements," Waffle said, because there was "insufficient postage on the postcard notices."

Plans for the six projects are posted on the city's Current Planning Applications page, she noted, "so we will consider this an extended public review period."

According to the website, they are all set to be discussed at a special meeting Sept. 23. For more information, visit ci.carmel.ca.us.



Patricia Lee Cummings

Pat Cummings passed away peacefully on August 16th, after a long life full of adventure, great friends, and a loving family. Patty was born in Martinez, California on December 20th, 1929 to William and Mildred Green. She attended Cal university in Berkeley. During a summer trip to Carmel Valley, she attended a party at the home of Don and Marie Cummings and met their son and love of her life, Donald Childs Cummings II. After college, Patty worked as a stewardess for United Airlines and flew routes on DC-3 and DC-4 airplanes based out of Chicago and San Francisco. She always remembered these years as some of the best times of her life. When asked if she had a pre-flight announcement, she would say, "hold on!"

During this time, Don joined the Air Force and left for basic training and flight school. After Don finished his training, they were married at the Carmel Mission Basilica on November 1st, 1952. After the wedding, they were stationed at Air Force bases in the US and Okinawa, Japan. Upon completion of Don's military service, they returned to Carmel Valley and built a home in Robles Del Rio.

Patty enjoyed anything outdoors: hiking in the Sierra, panning for gold, snow skiing, horseback riding, tennis and she had a great love of animals. She and Don also built a cabin in Cromberg, CA in the Sierra, where they spent many happy summers hiking, fishing or exploring the backroads of the high country. They continued their love of flying and flew many trips over the years in their private plane, with Patty navigating and Don piloting.

She was preceded in death by her husband Don, son Gary and daughter Laura. She is survived by son David (Susie) of Carmel Valley, grandchildren Matthew and Alison, son Mick of West Hollywood, CA and brother George Green (Connie).

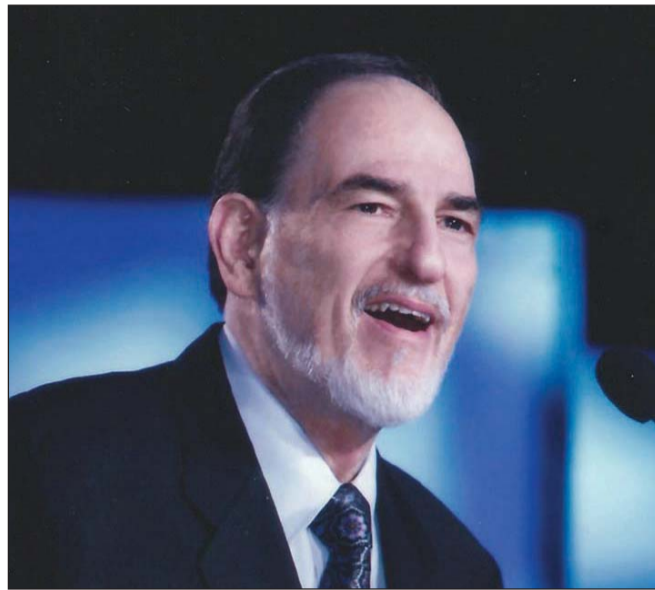
As per her request, no services will be held. A Mass was said in her honor at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in Carmel Valley.

Donations can be made to the SPCA for Monterey County.

Paul Franklin Kagan

Paul Franklin Kagan, born December 19, 1937, left this earth on August 23, 2020.

Most beloved husband of Florrie Kagan, adored father of Melanie (Ross) Canter and Linda (Ron) Cosmero, treasured son of Lilian and Samuel Kagan (predeceased), baby brother of Beatrice Kagan and Sheldon Kagan (predeceased); cherished grandfather of Mia Canter, Gabe Canter and Matthew Cosmero. Favorite uncle of Sherry Glaser, Steven Glaser, Susan Schnoll, Jerry Cohen and David Cohen. Revered godfather of Alexandra Patterson, Ariana Sommer, and Jade Suyematsu.



Paul Kagan died of kidney failure. We saw it coming, it wasn't a shock, but that doesn't make it easier. Watching the most incredible man slowly slip away from you takes inconceivable courage, and our mother is the bravest woman we have ever known. In our time caring for our dad we were able to ask him lots of questions about his life, and since he loved talking about history (and especially, his own history), he was always happy to answer any question we had. "Dad, what was your favorite time in all of your life," we'd ask him. His eyes would brighten as he'd remember, and stories would begin to flow. We'd hear of growing up in the Bronx,

playing stickball with friends near the Grand Concourse, and going to Yankee games with his dad and brother; the adventures he had at Taft High School, Hunter College and playing guitar for the summer crowds in the Catskills. He'd swoon about the romantic first date with our mom when they were both 16 that led to their wedding at 20, and to the next and best 62 years of their fairy tale life together.

We heard tales of basic training at Fort Dix and moving to Binghamton, NY to be a sportswriter at The Binghamton Sun and play-by-play announcer for the Yankees farm team. He loved being a DJ for WBRX in Berwick, PA, and reminisced about the exciting times working for Stan Lee of Marvel Comics as the Marvel Universe was just beginning. We'd hear about jobs at CBS selling radio advertising and as a securities analyst at E.F. Hutton, where their failure to listen to him about the nascent cable television industry led him to finally branch out on his own to start Paul Kagan Associates in 1969, and quickly become the "Cable Guru" and country's foremost expert on all things media. (His newsletters spanned several industries and were distributed on every continent; years later, he was honored for his life's work and inducted into the Cable TV Hall of Fame.)

He'd talk about his joys of becoming a father and having two little girls he lived for; and fulfilling a life-long dream to move his family from Oceanside, NY to beautiful Carmel-by-the-Sea. He'd beam as he'd talk about his wife, his daughters, his two sons-in-law, his grandchildren and godchildren; his parents, siblings, aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews, devoted employees and dear, dear friends that all meant so much to him; the magical places we all traveled to, and the millions of spectacular photographs he snapped along the way...

We'd hear of these stories, his whole life's history told only as a former play-by-play announcer could, and ask: "In all of your 82 years, Dad, what was your favorite, favorite moment?"

And he'd always just smile and say, "Every moment was my favorite. Every single one. I wouldn't change a thing. I loved every minute of all of it."

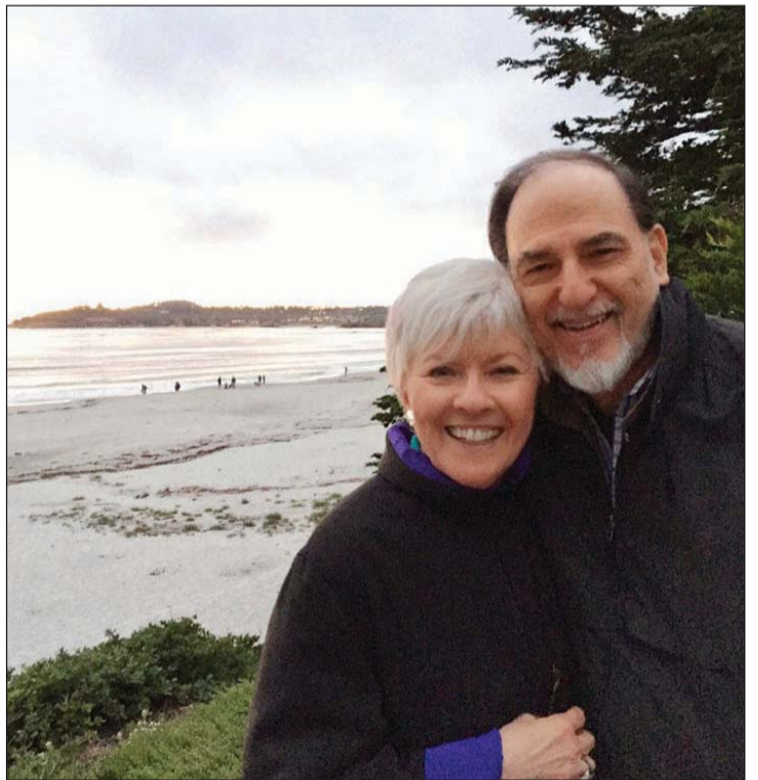
And so did we. Every moment with him was our favorite. And for that, we will be eternally grateful. His memory will be a blessing to all who knew him. He will not be survived by us, he will survive within us, and we will love him and carry him in our hearts forever.

His body will rest at El Carmelo Cemetery in Pacific Grove by the rolling waves of the ocean, but his soul will be in heaven. We hope that they have a press box up there so he can call the games for all the Yankees who have gone before him and are no doubt playing baseball in the clouds.

Our family, and especially our mom Florrie, would like to thank Dr. Thomas Bradley, Dr. Richard Gerber, Hazelle Hollingsworth and Gigi Valencia for taking such tender and loving care of the most wonderful man who ever lived.

*With love and gratitude,
The Kagan, Canter, and Cosmero families.*

In loving memory of our dad, we will be donating to the Warriors Community Foundation, which is dedicated to making a meaningful and lasting impact on the lives of underserved youth in the San Francisco Bay Area. If you'd like to join us, please click the link here: <http://donorbox.org/in-memory-of-paul-kagan>. For more information on the WCF, visit www.nba.com/warriors/foundation



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ly, I have picked up and thrown them away, but I can't make it a practice — particularly walking around with my five-year-old who doesn't have rubber gloves, and I don't want to model behavior for her to pick up other people's garbage, particularly poop, during an epidemic.

Is there usually a Mutt Mitt Master on duty to come and pick them up, a Puppy Poop Pouch Posse? Have they been furloughed due to budget constraints?

Who is everyone expecting comes along to pick up after them? Mom?

Daniella Romano,
Carmel

Herd immunity

Dear Editor,

The likelihood of achieving the governor's arbitrary standard of 7.0 or fewer cases of coronavirus infections per 100,000 residents is nil without first achieving adequate herd immunity. Herd immunity, as it exists for influenzas, will occur only with a vaccine, effectively a long way off, or with continued exposure of the public to the virus, but this is being suppressed as we continue the "shutdown." This is the classic "Catch-22." In short, we want to have as many cases of Covid-19 as possible to assure we will be done with the pandemic ASAP, all the while protecting those at high risk for serious disease or death.

William F. Cleary,
Carmel

How to 'save' forests

Dear Editor,

How ironic that liberal forest management policies have destroyed the very forests they were trying to preserve. It's time we went back to more conservative policies so we can conserve what little forest we have left.

Jeff Kaiser,
Pebble Beach

Governor's mysterious data

Dear Editor,

Kudos for last week's editorial, "The governor's mysterious data." I agree with you. Gov. Newsom is using the wrong criteria.

Before then-San Francisco Mayor Willie Brown appointed then-citizen Newsom to the parking and traffic commission and then appointed him to the S.F. Board of Supervisors, Newsom had a wine business called Plump-Jack. Yes, Newsom was a businessman and, as a former businessman, you'd expect now Governor Newsom to be looking for reasons to open California for business, not finding excuses to keep California's economy closed.

Unfortunately for us (and for Newsom) national politics trumps what's best for the people of California.

Suppose Governor Newsom had run against his party establishment's dictate and opened California for business (like the Sunbelt states). He would then have positioned himself as the front runner for his party's nomination for president in 2024. Timing would have been perfect! His term as governor expires in 2023. Oh, well. Good for him that he has something (wine) to fall back on.

Michael McWalters,
Carmel

Where blame lies

Dear Editor,

Cal Am's guileful appeal lays blame on everyone but itself for its woes. Just who has been in control of local water for the 42 years in which users' rates have skyrocketed and infrastructure and planning have deteriorated? Cal Am, with almost guaranteed approval from the California Public Utilities Commission, is responsible for the long list of grievances it attributes to any entity but itself. Kind of reminds you of a president blaming whoever caused the serious problems over the last four years for hurting America.

But Cal Am has been at it 10 times as long and its corporate managers and stockholders don't feel any pain.

Life is worth living, Cal Am, and the public wants you out of the picture in order to create a stable, affordable and secure supply of potable water managed by a local public agency with a commitment to a responsible, not-for-profit, readily accessible, community-based system that uses proven technologies and steals no water.

Carole Erickson,
Carmel Valley

Enough water?

Dear Editor,

The state's order to cut the pumping of water from the Carmel River has a deadline of Dec. 31, 2021. After that time, only 3,376 acre-feet of water can be legally taken from the river. Because of the 3,500 acre-feet of new water available from Pure Water Monterey, we can meet the December 2021 deadline. While this will protect the river, it won't be enough to comply with the order and we will need an additional supply, like the expansion of Pure Water Monterey, or Cal Am's desal.

If the Pure Water Monterey Expansion of 2,250 acre-feet were added to the current 3,500 acre-feet of recycled water, the legal river withdrawal of 3,376, and the other projects like ASR that are in place, the total available water would be 11,700 acre-feet — we only need 9,825 acre-feet. That gives us 1,875 acre-feet of water for growth.

How many years will that last? In the 10 years before the moratorium took effect the Peninsula used an average of 16.5 acre-feet per year for growth. People claim we would use a lot more than that, but is that true? Maybe for a few years we would, due to pent-up demand and backlog. But after that, previous use data support the estimate, and that we are unlikely to need more than 20 acre-feet per year for growth.

Amy Anderson,
Carmel

'Say yes to common sense'

Dear Editor,

Even if Cal Am's desal won't damage Marina's groundwater, it will certainly negatively impact Cal Am's customers. If you think supplying us with a lot of extra water

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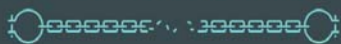
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has any chance of reducing our water bills, think again. Cal Am's oversized desal would provide us with water we won't need for a hundred years, but we'll pay for it now! So a \$75 water bill could increase to as much as \$150 if the desal is built.

Cal Am will profit from this desal plant and we will pay for it. This is not the new water supply we need. There is a far better alternative. Expanding the Pure Water Monterey project is the cost-effective, environmentally sound solution.

Pure Water Monterey phase 1, now in operation, will give us the water we need to stop illegal diversions from the Carmel River by the December 2021 deadline. That's something we should be celebrating. Expanding Pure Water Monterey would give us the water we need for growth and it would lift the moratorium much sooner than Cal Am's desal.

One way or the other, our water future will be decided on Sept. 17 at the coastal commission. This will affect the cost of water for everyone on the Peninsula for decades to come. Let's all hope they say no to Cal Am's desal and yes to common sense and affordable water.

Phil Wellman,
Carmel

'Life, liberty and ...'

Dear Editor,

This month I celebrate my 69th year of life bestowed upon me by my parents and our Creator. Comparatively, it has been one that is better than many when viewed on a world or local scale. But like many on the Peninsula, it has been restricted for decades by a government authority and accomplices which has denied our basic unalienable rights as stated by Jefferson in the Declaration of Independence.

Many have not had the liberty to be free within our local society from oppressive restrictions imposed by authority on one's way of life.

The Monterey Peninsula Water Management District has failed us and it is time, as the people, to alter or abolish it.

There are those in our community who relish and seek to extend power to control what they cannot through conventional democratic means. Beware of their fabrications and untruths. Don't fall victim to their deceit regarding our water situation. Educate yourself to the facts. What has been and is at stake? Our pursuit of happiness.

Ron Chesshire,
Monterey

Pure Water is the solution

Dear Editor,

Cal Am's latest action to undermine the Monterey Peninsula's solid hope to solve the water supply issue that has plagued it for decades is distressing. It was Cal Am that brought on the cease-and-desist order to stop its over-pumping the Carmel River; it was adjudication that stopped Cal Am from over-pumping the Seaside Basin. Cal Am is now soliciting citizens to pen support letters for its desalination project permit. California Coastal Commission staff sagely recommends permit denial.

Cal Am is using its age-old fear tactic to induce citizens to believe there will be a water crisis, soaring bills, and sky-high unaffordable housing if the desal plant is not approved. People certainly know that Monterey Peninsula water bills are already among the highest in the nation. With desal water being exorbitantly expensive, bills will escalate, even triple, with Cal Am's desal, not go down. Nowhere in its letter-writing campaign does Cal Am reveal the truth that its desal plant will do to the Salinas River what it has already done to the Carmel River and the Seaside Basin. If litigation ensues, then, regrettably, no sufficient water supply for the Monterey Peninsula would be available, unless Pure Water Monterey Expansion goes forward.

Cal Am has no water rights to the Salinas River or its aquifers, thus using slant well aquifer extraction operations to take Marina's water is wrong. Over-pumping is one reason the Salinas Valley Groundwater Basin is on the critically over-drafted groundwater basin list. Local environmental needs change as new educational institutions, residential developments, healthcare facilities, and business enterprises supplant a former expansive military training facility, all making coastal environs and water resources preservation, restoration, and protection a priority. California requires that communities recycle all possible water resources.

Pure Water Monterey Expansion is the perfect viable drought-proof alternative water supply solution, yet Cal Am is blocking its development. Why? Because it will collect 9.2 percent capital gains profits on its billion-dollar infrastructure. If Cal Am succeeds, then there will be no end in sight to the cost of water; local neighbors' sole potable water supply will be depleted, while threatened ESHA and endangered species, such as steelhead trout and Western snowy plover shorebirds, will suffer environmental harm. Marina would not receive any desalinated water, yet shoulder the burden of another objectionable, uninvited industrial blight on its shoreline.

Please endorse the environmentally safer, less costly, more sustainable Pure Water Monterey expansion

(PWME). Encourage certification of the Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) to help the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District follow through with next steps. M1W's Pure Water Monterey project has already deposited 1,000 acre-feet into the Seaside Basin. Let the California Coastal Commission know we want PWME, a win-win for all citizens. Our communities want, and deserve, economic and environmental justice!

Margaret-Anne Coppernoll,
Marina

'Bad government'

Dear Editor,

I want to commend the staff of The Pine Cone for helping me keep in touch with Peninsula doings and offering a comprehensive picture of the local news. Sometimes I like what I read, and other articles remind me of just how eclectic Carmel opinions can be.

Case in point: A recent article about Ms. Laura Overett's trials and tribulations while dealing with hazardous trees on her property.

I worked closely at the county level in the Central Valley on land use issues for about a quarter century. The indifference and spitefulness apparently shown to Overett by the chairman of the Forest and Beach Commission reminded me of the silliness and wrong-headed bureaucracy that probably influenced Clint Eastwood to detour from his Hollywood career to launch a campaign to become mayor of Carmel years ago.

The chairman, Mike Caddell, seems to have acted in a spiteful, heavy-handed way to totally disregard Overett's attempts to mitigate the removal of 17 non-native eucalyptus trees on her property.

It also seemed like he admitted that his goal was to deny Overett due process and a fair hearing on her plan to remove these trees, which is not only bad government, that's acting in bad faith.

It appeared that Caddell resented the Carmel City Council's earlier action to allow Overett to remove 27 trees — in essence overruling the forest and beach commission. But is the solution to hold someone hostage until she caves to your whim?

Eric Coyne,
Visalia (and former Peninsula resident)

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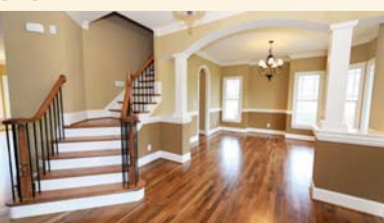
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Editorial

Halloween isn't canceled — it's everywhere

WHAT USUALLY passes as the spookiest day of the year is going to look a lot different this year — and for many, much of the fright will be gone.

If you usually spend Halloween evening at one of the big theme parks in California, for instance, this year you won't be able to. From Disneyland, Knott's Berry Farm, Universal Studios and the Queen Mary in Southern California, to Great America in Santa Clara and Six Flags in Valencia, the usually lavish Halloween parties have been canceled, and not just because many of the parks haven't been allowed to reopen after the virus. Who wants to have a scary monster breathing down their neck? There may be nothing wrong with it when the danger is all make-believe, but these days ... no thanks.

Likewise with the private parties that have become increasingly popular on Halloween. Doing the Monster Mash with 300 of your best friends might have been fun back in the days when the worst thing that could happen was somebody secretly livestreaming you on Facebook, but nowadays, going viral isn't just a metaphor — it's a virus.

Trick-or-treating may not have been officially banned, but you're bound to see a lot fewer people doing it this year. For one thing, letting all those little monsters jab their sticky fingers into a communal candy jar no longer sounds cute. It's gross. The novelty of wearing a mask is gone, too. And most of us don't want to open our front doors to our own mothers any more, much less the juvenile delinquents from down the street.

But while the traditionally scary festivities will be on hiatus this year, there are still plenty of frightening things around. In fact, they're everywhere, and they keep on coming.

First there was the virus, of course, which seemed like it might kill millions when it first appeared. Then came the shutdowns, which put tens of millions out work, forced many people to shut their businesses, disrupted the education of every student in the country and the lives of a great many families, and cost the worldwide economy trillions of dollars in lost wealth and productivity. And instead of lasting just a few weeks, those nasty shutdowns have stuck around for months and show no sign of ending any time soon — at least not here in California.

Next came the protests and riots, which have further upended the national economy even as they highlight the social dislocations that continue to plague our civilization. And finally (we hope), we have the fires which are once again laying waste to vast parts of our state along with the lives of people whose homes happen to be in the flames' path. And did we mention all the smoke? The portentous orange haze that's hovered over our beautiful Monterey Peninsula for the last few days has made everything seem otherworldly — as in, like we're suddenly all on Mars.

While the traditional frights of Halloween may be absent this year, there are more than enough scary things around to take their place.

Just remember: If you see any zombies, they're probably real.

BEST of BATES



"The economy's definitely picked up. I've got two jobs."

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Beach closure unbelievable

Dear Editor,

The collective ignorance of our elected officials is truly appalling. Closing the beaches during a heat wave, on a long weekend to discourage residents from gathering in the hope of mitigating a potential spike in a Covid outbreak? I've never seen so many people crammed on the narrow path along Scenic Drive, and on the drive itself — no social distancing was going on. Instead, large groups of people were sitting, standing and gathering to look at our expansive, empty beach. Good going, knuckleheads.

Pamela McDonald, Corral de Tierra

Just the union

Dear Editor,

A contract was signed with our teachers union at Carmel Unified and it ensures no in-person school until August 2021. It states that all guidelines that the state or

federal government suggested must be followed. When California's health officials worked with the CDC to create safety guidelines to open schools when the virus numbers lower they said the "document is to be a guide for the local discussion on safely reopening schools." The Carmel teachers union just made the guidelines all mandates with this agreement that the school board unanimously agreed to, and there is no way Carmel Unified can follow all of the mandates created, so there is no way school will start until this agreement sunsets next summer 2021. Why isn't the district telling us what they could do to open schools next year, rather than just telling us what the teachers union said are hurdles to opening school?

A. Michelle, Carmel

Why all the poop bags?

Dear Editor,

Thank you for your excellent coverage throughout the coronavirus epidemic. It's been fantastic.

For the months that we have been sheltering in place, I have taken many walks along the beach and through town with my mother and my daughter. There is something I find very surprising, and I'd like to know if anyone has a theory: Why are there full mutt mitts, tied up and delicately placed everywhere?

Given that I find these even along Mission Trail, it can't just be tourists. I thought at first that folks leave them with the aim to pick back up again on their return but, then, the bags just sit for days. Occasional-

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A secluded Big Sur cabin with a surprising past, lost in Dolan Fire

IN LATE August, a cultural icon was lost to the Dolan Fire. You probably never heard of it, since it was in private hands since its construction in the 1930s and, for the last 47 years, sat deep in a canyon in Big Sur.

The icon was a small cabin known as the Haida House, and it was the creation of legendary wood sculptor Dudley Carter.

Carter was well known in the Pacific Northwest, where he was born and developed his talent for sculpting large works from wood with a two-bladed axe.

History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

However, from 1934 until 1941 he called Carmel home.

Born near Vancouver, British Columbia, in May 1891, Carter was raised on a backwoods homestead on the Stave River where the family had a small lumber operation, and he worked in the business from the time he was 6. The rustic lifestyle shaped him into a rugged individual.

Fascinating totems

When Carter was a young teen, his father was hired as a teacher in an indigenous village on Cormorant Island in Queen Charlotte Sound. Carter attended the school and absorbed the ways of the Kwakiutl people, which were already disappearing as they adopted European ways. Carter marveled at the totems and their native buildings.

A few years later, the family returned to the homestead and obtained work on the

construction of the Stave Falls Dam hydroelectric plant. By the time it was completed, Carter was in his 20s and had trained as an engineer and topographer. This, coupled with his knowledge of woods, made him perfectly suited for a career as a “timber cruiser” and forestry engineer.

Scurvy cruiser

In an interview with filmmaker Abby Sher, who produced a documentary on him in 1982, Carter explained: “A timber cruiser is a man thoroughly trained in the different types of timber, how to get around in the country, and how to estimate the value of these timber stands. The timber magnates will want to know the different species, sizes, quality of the timber and how you’re going to get it out. Are you going to float it down a river or are you going to require a railroad? And so, you send a timber cruiser to find out.”

Carter had steady work in the booming Canadian timber industry, and in 1919 married Teresa Easthope, who, in 1922 gave birth to their daughter, Mavis. Carter, meanwhile, had a very active life and kept his body lean and muscular — he was 5 feet, 9 inches and weighed 135 pounds — but his diet of canned goods during weeks in the woods was not good for his health.

According to various contemporary sources, at age 33, his body collapsed from scurvy. While he was recovering, he began experimenting with his axe to sculpt wood. He returned to cruising — with a healthier diet — but when work ceased due to the Great Depression, he turned to sculpture.

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Dudley Carter, in 1936, works with his axe on the Forest Theater grounds, as he puts the final touches on his massive carving, “Wek-Wek and the Holukmeyumko”

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THE SUBJECT IS A REDISCOVERED LIFE

WANDERING THROUGH a metaphysical force field can be a wondrous way to spend a life. Celebrated Monterey Peninsula artist Suzanne Yost McCourt almost apologetically called it “kismet,” as she recalled a curious series of unsolicited encounters that altered the course of her art career.

An early harbinger, perhaps, was the statewide contest she won for the drawing she made of her cat lapping up Mayflower-brand milk, a rendering for which she won “a big-girl bike” that was too large to ride, since she was only 5 1/2 years old. McCourt vividly recalled feeling envious of the second-place artist, whose prize was a glistening, pink, battery-powered Barbie Dream Car.

Her father was a nationally famous golfer, though she admitted having little awareness of it at the time. Dick Yost was a college kid when he won Oregon’s state championship in 1950. Three years later, he won the Pacific Northwest Amateur crown, and in 1955 he was named to the U.S. Walker Cup team, which routed the Great Britain/Ireland team on the Old Course at St. Andrews, Scotland.

Gone too soon

Yost played as an amateur in the Masters in 1957, the same year Suzanne was born, and went on to play in the Bing Crosby “Clambake” Pro-Am at Pebble Beach multiple times, the last on Suzanne’s birthday in 1971. He played rounds with Hall of Famers Byron Nelson and Ben Hogan, and his best friends included golf greats Ken Venturi and Harvie Ward (a Walker Cup teammate).

“I got my father’s athletic genes, though I’m sure I didn’t appreciate it then,” said

McCourt, who was a dancer by age 7, a rough-and-tumble tomboy who played street football with the boys through her childhood, and became a volleyball star in high school.

Her father died in 1973 at age 43, a victim of what golfers called “19th-Hole disease” — alcoholism. His wife, Tita, and his

Carmel’s Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

three daughters were left penniless.

“I was 16, my sister, Linda, was 14, and our youngest sister, Molly, was 6,” Suzanne remembered. “As the oldest, I was certainly aware over the previous year that something was going on, but it wasn’t something people talked about in those days.”

She graduated high school intending to become a doctor — a male-dominated profession back then — but instead became a registered nurse.

“I did that for eight years, some of it as a student nurse while I was putting myself through school,” she said. “Nursing could burn you out because there was never enough staff. Nowadays you’re only allowed to have four to six patients, but back then I’d have 14. We were running a neuro unit floor when we were 23 or 24.”

In 1982, in Newport Beach, CA, she met Dan McCourt, a financial tax man who became her husband a year later. They’ll celebrate their 38th wedding anniversary in June.

Suzanne’s mother conquered her own alcoholism later in her life, a battle that led to another moment of kismet for the artist.

“During her recovery, my mom opened up more about Dad’s past. Dad’s golf memorabilia was tucked away in closets and the garage for many years due to grief. Opening his red box to connect our family golf legacy was the start of our healing,” McCourt said.

Cartoons

Dick Yost’s red box was a treasure chest of golf memorabilia — newspaper clips, photos, awards, tournament invitations, letters to her father from Bing Crosby and Bob Hope, and cocktail napkins doodled upon by “Dennis the Menace” cartoonist Hank Ketcham (a friend of her parents, turns out). One such doodle, dated 1971, is a drawing on Del Monte Lodge stationery of the impish Dennis holding a golf club, inscribed “Cheers to the Yost Clan from Dennis and his poor ol’ dad, Hank Ketcham”

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Suzanne Yost McCourt’s diverse artistic journey is currently focused on abstracts.

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CARTER

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In 1930, he entered a small soap carving in a contest and won a scholarship to study sculpture at the University of Washington. Soon, he was retained as an instructor. In 1932, he created his first major wood sculpture, "Rivalry of the Winds." The axe-hewn piece was nearly 12 feet high and weighed 2 tons. It depicted a Duwamish Indian legend, and so impressed the Seattle

Art Museum that it purchased the work in 1932. It is still in the collection 88 years later. Over the next couple of years, he worked on smaller carving projects around Vancouver, relying on teaching and occasional timber work to support his family.

In late 1934, he moved the family to Carmel to be among other creative artists. He initially rented a home and signed up for the federal WPA projects, creating art for government buildings. I found no record of anything Carter produced for the WPA that still exists.

When not working on federal projects,

he worked on his own. His large "Condor" was displayed at the War Memorial in San Francisco in early 1935. With large spread wings, it was suspended from the ceiling. One of his largest projects was "Wek-Wek and the Holukmeyumko." Depicting an early Indian legend, Carter carved it into shape at the Forest Theater from a 6-ton redwood trunk brought from Palo Colorado Canyon. It remained at the theater until sometime after 1940.

Looking for less expensive housing during the Depression, Carter found a site on the "Carmel River flats" (believed to be today's Mission Fields) and, in 1935, built his own house patterned on those he had seen built by the Haida natives of British Columbia. Constructed of hand-split redwood, the 12-foot wide, 24-foot deep "Haida House" was "live-in art," with a totem-like entry through a carved door.

"The construction is probably the simplest way to build a house with manmade material," he wrote. It cost him \$7.50 for salvaged windows. There were no nails; redwood pegs held the house together.

For the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition, Carter got a huge commission to produce bas relief carvings for the façade of the Shasta-Cascade building on Treasure Island. Ten thousand feet of sugar pine were delivered to the Carmel River flats in the summer of 1938. A large central panel (12 by 27 feet) symbolized the spirit of outdoors. Smaller, but still large panels depicted cattle, fruit, fishing, hunting and more. After the fair opened, he carved large totems for the interior displays while enthralled spectators watched.

In the picture

In 1940, exposition officials opened a special exhibition "Art in Action," which showcased artists in a variety of mediums demonstrating their craft. Among them were muralist Diego Rivera and, of course, Carter. Rivera saw Carter's work as the embodiment of the theme of his mural for the fair, "Pan American Unity," which illustrated art and industry from the primitive to the modern. He painted Carter into the

central panel thrice — as an engineer, a lumberman, and carving a ram's head with his axe.

Daughter Mavis, who completed eighth grade at Sunset School, graduated from Monterey High School in 1940 as an honor student. The following year, the family returned to work in the Pacific Northwest, but not before selling their Haida House to S.F.B. Morse of Pebble Beach for \$500; the price included moving it to Morse's River Ranch in Carmel Valley.

In 1973, after Morse had died, the family contacted Carter, who helped move Haida House to a secluded site near Big Creek in southern Big Sur.

Landmark

By that time, Carter had built two more of these elegantly simple structures: one at Bellevue, Wash., in 1955, which he again used as a studio, and another in 1965, for a third party on Reef Island, Wash. He sold the one at Bellevue in the early 1980s, and it was reportedly moved to Whidbey Island. He replaced it at Bellevue with a fourth, which in 1991 he moved to Slough Park in Redmond, Wash. He died in April 1992, just short of his 101st birthday.

Haida House Replica No. 4 is now a King County, Wash. landmark, and the park has been renamed Dudley Carter Park. Haida House No. 3, along with the island where it stands, is for sale.

With the loss of Haida House No. 1 last month, "Wek-Wek and the Holukmeyumko" is the only known work from Carter's time in Carmel.

I haven't discovered when the large sculpture was moved out of Carmel, but like its creator, it found its home in the Pacific Northwest. Hidden away in storage for several years, just two years ago conservationists installed it at Marymoor Park in Redmond, Wash.

Special thanks to Ellen Osborne, the youngest of Morse's grandchildren for bringing this artist to my attention.

Neal Hotelling has been researching and writing about Monterey County history for more than three decades.

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were a revelation to Suzanne, who realized at age 49 how notable her father had been. She subsequently mentioned her discovery to the manager of Phillips Gallery (which later became Gallery i), where she had shown her art over the previous six-and-a-half years, and suddenly found herself in a meeting with public relations man David Armanasco and all the gallery directors.

AT&T program cover

"I walked into David's office and they had the box all spread out on a table. I was thrilled when David started sharing stories about my dad at the Crosby, filling in so many gaps," she said. "And I said, 'Do you think I should start painting some pictures of golfers?'"

In 2006, the gallery hosted a solo show of McCourt's golf-themed paintings, attended by Pebble Beach Co. board members, many of whom shared stories about her dad. Two years later, McCourt received a call from Ollie Nutt, then-president and CEO of the Monterey Peninsula Foundation, which stages the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am.

He asked McCourt to paint the cover of the tournament's 2010 program, commemorating the 25th anniversary of AT&T's sponsorship of the event — an honor previously only bestowed upon male artists, including LeRoy Neiman, Charles Schulz (creator of the "Peanuts" comic strip), and Ketcham.

More kismet: Ketcham, by then, had become pen pals with McCourt — a relationship that developed after she unknowingly sat next to him at a watercolor class at the Asilomar Conference Center.

"The teacher eventually introduced Hank Ketcham to the class, then I introduced myself to Hank as Dick Yost's

daughter," she recounted. "From that point forward, he'd wander over to my easel, and I'd wander over to his."

Kismet struck at least twice more for McCourt, who in 2012 was offered an opportunity to meet her late father's best friend, Ken Venturi, inspiring her to paint a portrait for golf legend. Venturi became ill and couldn't attend, but the artist presented her creation to his family. The painting is displayed at the Thunderbird Country Club in Palm Desert, in the same glass case with the trophy commemorating Venturi's greatest career victory, the 1964 U.S. Open.

Then, in 2016, she received a surprising invitation from the Blues Foundation to paint a version of her best known work, "Guitar Man," for the 2016 Blues Music Awards in Memphis, Hall of Fame inductees included Elvin Bishop, John Mayall, Eddy Clearwater and Jimmy Johnson.

"All of those musicians were coming by to talk to me. I was completely overwhelmed," she said. "Then (blues great) Doug MacLeod came over and said, 'Suzanne, all the musicians are talking about you. Your painting is the best we've ever seen that captures the spirit and feeling of what we do.'"

In 1993, Dan and Suzanne McCourt founded the Surf City Coffee Company in Aptos, and eventually expanded to four locations. In 1999, Suzanne was diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor, at which point she reduced her role with the company to devote more time to her art.

She credits art instructors at Cabrillo College, including Howard Ikemoto and Andrea Borsuk, for helping her develop styles that include impressionistic, expressionistic, realistic, and abstract, her current passion. She works in acrylics, watercolors, and multimedia.

Images of her art and additional information can be found suzannemccourt.com.

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(Top) Sculptor Dudley Carter (1891-1992) at his Haida House on the Carmel River flats. The small, handmade structure was his home from 1935 to 1941. (Right) In August 1941, Pebble Beach Co. founder, S.F.B. Morse and actress Ginger Rogers at River Ranch in Carmel Valley, where Morse had moved Haida House after buying it from Carter earlier in the year. The iconic cabin in these two photos was destroyed three weeks ago in the Dolan Fire in Big Sur.



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It's never too late to go to college — but maybe don't tell the boss

JOHN KOZA, longtime conductor of the Camerata Singers of Monterey County and assistant chorus director for the Carmel Bach Festival, retired this year and with Susan, his wife of nearly 39 years, moved from Salinas to Tucson, Ariz. "I picked a totally bizarre time to retire," he said. He planned to go out on a high note after what would

Great Lives

By **ELAINE HESSER**

have been his 25th season with the festival — except it was canceled by the coronavirus pandemic.

Growing up in Cleveland, Ohio, Koza said he always wanted to be a musician. Starting in sixth grade, he took guitar lessons and played the sousaphone and double bass in his high school band. He sang in various choirs, but not the one at his church — the director there would only accept high school graduates.

"The very Sunday after graduation, I sang with my mother in the choir. That was special," the tenor recalled.

After graduating from high school in the late 1970s, Koza took a job in the hotel business. He said he worked hard, and after several years, someone "waved a management wand." For the next nine years, Koza was a financial controller who worked at properties in Cleveland, Atlanta, Miami, San Francisco, Tucson and finally, Monterey, in what is now the Portola Hotel on Alvarado Street.

Koza did well in his career but kept telling his wife that he wished he'd gotten a music degree. Finally, she told him

your final degree going to be in business or finance?"

"In all honesty, it's going to be in music," Koza responded. Then, he said, his boss "squinted like I had just insulted his wife. I was fired within 30 days. I was still working on my degree, and things got very real, very fast," he said. He and Susan had both been working, so they tightened their belts while he took odd jobs where he could.

Comfort at the keyboard

Koza got his first break when he was hired as director of music at Northminster Presbyterian in Salinas. He would later become director of music for Monterey's First Presbyterian Church, and also taught music appreciation for 18 years at Hartnell College.

By 1999, Koza was a member of the Camerata Singers of Monterey County. Founding conductor Vahé Aslanian was ready to retire and wanted Koza to take his place at the podium, and Koza readily agreed. Aslanian left some pretty big shoes to fill, but by all accounts, Koza did well and is still affectionately revered by the group's singers.

He also got involved in the Carmel Bach Festival, which has two in-house choral groups — the festival chorale, which numbers 27 professional singers, and the slightly larger, all-volunteer festival chorus. Koza joined the chorus and within a few years was invited to be part of the chorale.

In 2005, longtime festival dramaturge David Gordon

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Until this year, you could find John Koza at the Bach Festival — but after 25 years, he decided to retire.

to stop talking about it and do it. At 30, with a full-time job, he enrolled in Monterey Peninsula College and Hartnell College in Salinas to start on the prerequisites for a bachelor's degree, with a goal of becoming a conductor.

Mutual support?

He was accepted into San Jose State University's music program. There was no bachelor's degree in conducting, so he completed his undergraduate work in vocal performance and enrolled in the master's program for conducting.

Meanwhile, back at work, he said he had a manager who urged people to continue their educations because he "liked his employees to have as many initials after their names as possible." The two were on a break together one day, and the boss — who had preached openness so that they could "all support each other" — asked Koza, "So, is

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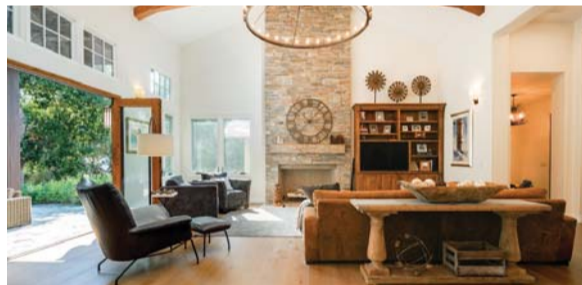


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Section 2

A volleyball renaissance at CHS — and a program for the record books

WHEN CARMEL High girls showed up for the first day of volleyball practice in the fall of 2007, some of them had a strong suspicion that things were about to change.

A run-of-the-mill program (13-30 over the previous two seasons) was about to get a whole lot better, thanks to an influx of ultra-talented newcomers and a rookie head coach, Dan Ahiers, who planned to adjust the culture in multiple ways.

Over the next five seasons — three with Ahiers at the helm, two under Israel Ricardez (who still coaches Carmel's girls and boys varsity squads today) — the Padres would qualify for the Central Coast Section playoffs four times, win three straight Mission Trail Athletic League championships (with back-to-back undefeated seasons), and compile a 45-game winning streak against MTAL opponents.

During those years, Pauline Ferrall (2007), Brittany Lombardi ('07, '08, and '09), Aliya Hagn ('08 and '09), Emma Parsons ('09), Lizzy Stivers ('09, '10), Emma Fuz-

ie ('10, '11), Savanna Ramsey ('10, '11), and Zoe Hepworth ('11) would earn all-league honors.

Stivers and Fuzie would be named MTAL Player of the Year. (Fuzie would repeat as Player of the Year as a senior in 2012, the year after the winning streak and title run ended).

'Bigger than us'

Lombardi went on to play NCAA volleyball at the University of San Diego (where she still holds the conference record for most digs in a season), while Stivers played at Creighton and Fuzie at Pepperdine and San Diego State. Farrell, who stood 6-foot-3, played basketball at Eastern Washington and Chico State.

"Carmel athletes were not playing club volleyball before Dan got there," Lombardi noted. "I played club ball for Dan the year before I came to Carmel, and that's the only reason I made varsity as a freshman."

The new coach also put a huge emphasis on team bond-

ing, she said, remembering team dinners, paintball parties, go-kart racing, and an outing to a trampoline park.

"Volleyball used to just be something to do after school, but the feeling became, 'This is something bigger than us

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

... something we can learn from," she added,

The first-year coach also installed a new culture, Gold Medal Squared, a coaching strategy used by the men's and women's U.S. Olympic teams, prioritizing team unity over individual talent.

"It was fairly new at the time, but it's humongous now: All of the best club programs, and probably 50 percent of the college teams, use a version of Gold Medal Squared,"

said Ahiers, who left Carmel after the 2009 season to coach as an assistant at Seattle University, then became head coach at Carson-Newman University (where he won the Southwest Region championships and reached the NCAA Elite 8 in 2015), and coached in 2016 at Middle Tennessee State.

Shy Lizzy

Club volleyball — not high school — is where the best young players learn the game, and Ahiers already

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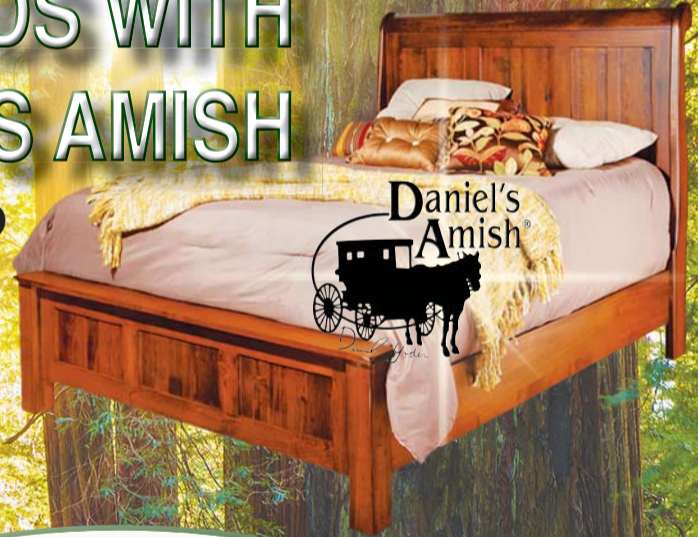
Dan Ahiers (left) changed the culture of Carmel volleyball, then became a college head coach. Brittany Lombardi (above) set the single-season conference record for digs at University of San Diego.

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knew what he had in Lombardi (an outside hitter), Parsons (a middle hitter/blocker), and Hagn (a setter), who all had played for him before: No doubt, they would be sophomore sensations on his 2007 team, and he soon enlisted the inseparable trio to convince Stivers, a timid 14-year-old, that she was far too talented to spend her freshman season on the junior varsity squad.

"I was a shy kid. I was terrified," remembered Stivers, now a registered nurse in her fourth year at CHI Hospital and Health in Omaha, Neb. "Dan sent them over to talk me into it, and I was so glad he did. After a few weeks I was totally fine."

Together with Farrell and four other seniors, they sparked CHS to an 18-8 overall record, 9-5 in the league, in Ahiers' first year. The tide had turned for Padres volleyball.

■ **Warning shot**

The 18-8 year was a turning point, but the next season — 2008 — was a coming-out party for the Padres, who went 12-2 in league, finished second in the MTAL to a powerful Santa Catalina program, and were 21-8 overall. Then they traveled to San Francisco to upset Mercy on its home court in the opening round of the CCS playoffs.

They did it without a single senior. Hagn, Lombardi (both all-league) and Parsons were team captains as juniors. Stivers, an emerging superstar, was one of four sophomores. Freshmen Zoe Hepworth and Savanna Hoffman would go on to play on all three Carmel title teams.

"Our gym at Carmel High has banners hanging of all the championships from every sport, and we were determined to put our own up there," Lombardi said. "Making it to CCS in my junior year was huge for me, and the fact that everybody was coming back the following year was so exciting. We were ready."

■ **The streak**

Carmel won its final four league matches of the 2008 season, the beginning of an epic streak of 45 straight victories in the MTAL.

The three seniors — Hagn, Lombardi, and Parsons — all earned All-MTAL honors, along with Stivers, a junior, in a 14-0 league season. The team's 24 overall wins were a school record, and they captured their first league title in almost two decades.

Parsons averaged more kills (4.4 per set) than any other player in Monterey, Santa Cruz, San Benito, and Santa Clara counties, Stivers ranked third, and Lombardi was

sixth in that category. Stivers had 51 blocks in 61 games, third best on the Central Coast. When an injury took Hagn down for three weeks, Savanna Ramsey stepped in as the starting setter. Both finished the year with more than 300 assists.

"It was a little bit scary to become the starter as a sophomore, but setting for Brittany, Emma, and Lizzy made it easy," Ramsey said. "They could take anything I gave them and turn it into a good hit."

As victories piled up, crowds got bigger. "More people began to realize that volleyball at Carmel was a sport to watch," said Stivers.

"The girls began to discover how much fun it was to play in front of big crowds — I think we actually sold out our gym a couple of times," Ahiers recalled. "People were fired up."

For the second year in a row, the Padres pulled off an opening-round upset in the CCS playoffs, edging Soquel before falling to county powerhouse Notre Dame in the semifinals.

■ **Big changes, perfect again**

With a new championship banner adorning the wall of the gym, the heart of the team moved on. Lombardi became a starter at the University of San Diego, where she would set a conference record for digs that still stands. She's a doctor of physical therapy today in San Clemente. Hagn went to Hawaii for massage school as a 17-year-old high school grad, and today is a massage therapist who runs a holistic wellness business on the Monterey Peninsula. Parsons went to UC Santa Barbara, where she played club volleyball, and lives today in Chile, where she is human resources and communication manager at Beyond English.

When Ahiers moved on to the college ranks, he endorsed a co-coach of his club team, Israel Ricardez, as his successor. Ricardez, a former Monterey High varsity coach, had moved over to Carmel High the previous season to coach boys volleyball, and wasn't sure he wanted the girls job.

"Then Stivers called and asked if she could come talk to me," Ricardez remembered. "I listened to Lizzy describe the talent on the team, how well they all got along, how hard they all worked, how they were coming off first league championship, and how they all wanted more."

Ricardez seized the opportunity to rebuild around Stivers, a senior who was about to become the league's best player, Savanna Hoffman, who would be No. 2 on the team in kills, Allie Lombardi (Brittany's kid sister), and two 6-footers — sophomore Emma Fuzie (who would evolve into a two-time league MVP) and Mackenzie Dooner, a transfer from Monterey High. Ramsey was ready to run

the offense as his starting setter. Defensive specialists Rachel Cohen, a senior, and Zoe Hepworth, a junior, were battle-tested veterans on the back row.

"That year was the Stivers Show, and it was awesome to watch," Ricardez said. "She was a middle hitter who could play all the way around and smash it down your throat."

The result was a second-consecutive league championship — 14-0 again — and a third straight CCS playoff berth.

■ **2011: A thorny crown**

In Ricardez's second season as varsity girls coach, the Padres won the MTAL yet again — their third trophy in a row — but the title was bittersweet.

With a 45-match winning streak on the line going into the final league game of the year, the Padres (13-0) waged a memorable war in front of a standing-room-only crowd at Santa Catalina. The Cougars (11-2) took the first set, 25-17. Carmel rebounded, 25-21, to win the second. Catalina won Game 3, 25-13. The Padres evened the match again, winning a 25-23 thriller. Appropriately, the final game came down to the wire. Catalina served to Carmel, leading 15-14, with the match on the line.

"I remember that very clearly because I felt like it was my fault that we lost," said Ramsey, who was a co-captain. "I hesitated — couldn't decide whether to set the ball to Emma Fuzie or whoever was playing our outside hitter position at the time. I kind of froze, messed up the set, and we didn't get the spike. It was pretty devastating."

Ricardez recalls the tearful aftermath when a winning streak that spanned more than three years came to an end.

"I remember we were trying to line the girls up afterward because the parents wanted to take a team photo, but they definitely weren't into posing for pictures," he remembered. "I think our players were feeling like they'd always be remembered as the kids who ended the streak."

Fuzie, Ramsey, Hoffman, Hepworth and Allie Lombardi played on all three Carmel championship teams, the last of which also featured four freshmen and a sophomore on the roster. Ricardez would orchestrate a similar winning streak — 41 straight — as coach of Carmel's varsity boys.

■ **'Always winning in my dreams.'**

"It was definitely emotional when it was all over," recalled Lombardi, a financial analyst in San Diego. "I think you're going to feel it whether your last game is at CCS, or just a league game, because it's a milestone. As a senior, you realize you're moving on, into the real world, and you won't be together with your volleyball family ever again."

"I still miss it, deep down," admitted Ramsey, who today is a behavior analyst working with autistic children in Monterey. "I still have dreams about high school volleyball, believe it or not. We're always winning in my dreams."

Carmel finished third in the MTAL with a 10-4 record in 2012 — Fuzie's senior year — when Santa Catalina (13-1) won the crown and Anzar (12-2) was runner-up. Carmel, Catalina and King City shared the title in 2013, Carmel went 14-0 again to win the 2014 trophy, and the Cougars captured the final three trinkets before the league dissolved.

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PHOTOS/(LEFT) CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY, (ABOVE) COURTESY BRITTANY LOMBARDI

Lizzy Stivers (left) played three seasons at Creighton University, an NCAA Division I program. Carmel's 2009 league title team (right) was big on personality, as well as talent.

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'Tiny Porch' concerts bring sense of community

TWO WEEKS ago, on a small porch at an undisclosed location, a pair of world-class musicians, cellist **Michelle Djokic** and violinist **Edwin Huizinga**, played a concert for a handful of their friends and neighbors.

"Nearly every week since mid-July, Edwin and I have been presenting outdoor 'Tiny Porch' concerts to audiences of 10 to 12, with social distancing and all safety protocols in place," said Djokic, whose own porch serves a stage for the shows.

To keep the audiences small, she doesn't advertise the concerts — or even say where they are.

The cellist said the concerts have helped create friendship and collegiality in her neighborhood, where residents have, for the most part, been staying away from each other.

Not only have the small crowds enjoyed the music, but so have Djokic and Huizinga, who have formed a group, **Manzanita Music Collective**, and plan to expand it. Last week, **Alexi Kenney** — a rising star in classical music — joined the group while Huizinga was out of town.

On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

The name came from a local site that once served as an incubator for the arts. "Our name, Manzanita Music Collective, was inspired by an article in The Pine Cone this past spring that talked about the importance of Manzanita Hall as a cultural and social gathering space in the early years of Carmel," she explained.

Djokic said she goes to great lengths to assure that she's following all safety protocols for Covid-19.

"The last thing I'd ever want to do is put someone in a dangerous situation," she said. "There's been careful planning so people can feel safe, and it's worked out beautifully."

Djokic said she's really enjoyed playing for smaller crowds.

"I love the immediacy of playing for 10 people," she explained. "It's profoundly moving. It's more impressive than playing for a sea of bodies in a concert hall."

Painter offers fresh look at Old West

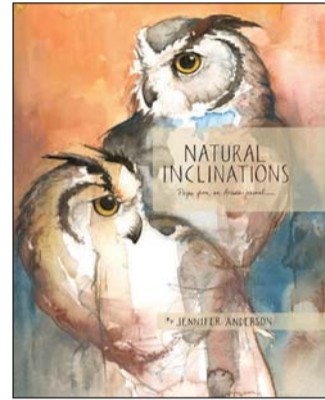
LIKE HER famous great-grandfather, Pebble Beach founder Samuel F. B. Morse, painter Annie Hooker has a bold, new vision for the West.

But instead of creating a golf resort unlike any other, Hooker has turned her focus to art, where she breathes new life into subjects that would be right at home in an 1880 gunfight in Arizona. Complementing the artist's six-shooters are an assortment of imagery you might find on a cattle drive, including singing cowboys, owls, deer and buffalo. But unlike the Old West imagery of old, Hooker employs a 21st century palette.

'Fun and witty'

A resident of Auburn in the Sierra foothills, Hooker unveils her latest show, "Re-Envision," Saturday at Gallery MAR Carmel. The gallery will be the site of a reception for her from 5 to 7 p.m.

"It's western art for the 21st century, or maybe better, it's art for a new generation of collectors living in the West," gallery owner Thomas Cushman told The Pine Cone. "Annie's work combines tongue-in-cheek references to spaghetti westerns with a reverence for color, form



"Natural Inclinations," by Jennifer Anderson

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Violinist Edwin Huizinga and cellist Michelle Djokic play an intimate concert for their friends and neighbors.

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Halloween baking star, a food and wine event, and Grasing's wine club

TALENTED PASTRY chef Michelle Lee, whose often lighthearted but also seriously decadent and deftly crafted sweets have pleased palates throughout the Monterey Peninsula for years, recently cooked on a different kind of stage. The C Restaurant + Bar sous chef is a contestant in the Food Network's Halloween Baking Championship, which begins Sept. 14.

"It is with excitement and joy, some humility and embarrassment, and a whole lot of laughter that I share with you that I will be a contestant on Food Network's Halloween Baking Championship," she announced last week. "I've always said I would never participate in a TV cooking competition, but when I was called and told the theme

Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

would be Halloween, there was no way I was going to pass this up, because I love Halloween and I love Halloween desserts and I never get to make them!"

For season 3 of the show, 10 contestants from all over the country — some professional pastry chefs, and others who use their baking talents for fun while holding down other jobs — will be given various challenges as they compete for a \$25,000 prize. The show's three judges scrutinize each baker's efforts and eliminate contestants in each round.

"Michelle is a sous chef from California who likes to have fun with her food and create whimsical desserts," reads Lee's introduction on the Food Network's web page for the show. "Her biggest fear is losing all of her teeth."

Flavors of P.G.

While many other events on the Peninsula are being presented virtually — including the Carmel Chamber of Commerce's now month-long Taste of Carmel in October and its annual awards gala in December — the "Flavors of Pacific Grove: A Celebration of the Great Chefs of Pacific Grove" will be offered as a "walking tour of the town's three districts" Thursday, Oct. 15, from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

About 20 wineries and chefs are set to participate, offering "artfully plated small bites" that "typically incorporate some local ingredients in their preparation to showcase the unique flavors of the area," according to the chamber. Among those planning to open their doors to Flavors of P.G. participants this year are Passionfish, Fandango, Jeninni Kitchen + Wine Bar, Petra, the Beach House, Fishwife, Happy

Girl Kitchen and Mezzaluna, and they'll be accompanied by featured wineries.

Chamber President Moe Ammar described Flavors of Pacific Grove as "the premier food and wine event in Pacific Grove, showing off the best in culinary expertise that our town has to offer," and said it's a critical aspect of the organization's goals of supporting local business and promoting the town.

Entertainers will perform at several locations on the tour. Tickets are \$60 per person and can be purchased at pacificgrove.org or by calling (831) 373-3304.

See's Halloween specials

With face-to-face contact kept to a minimum these days to try to stop the spread of coronavirus, and some people squeamish about almost everything, See's Candies is offering two new wrapped candies for Halloween this year. The Sour Jelly Beans Trick-or-Treat Pack contains 45 little bags of tangy tangerine, grape and apple jelly beans, and a box of Milk Molasses Chip Trick-or-Treat Minis comes with 45 chocolate-covered molasses honeycomb wafers individually wrapped in black and white film.

And because chocolate lovers can always use another

reason to celebrate, the nearly century-old candy company is launching National Choose Your Chocolate Day in honor of Mary See's birthday Sept. 16. Born in Ontario, Canada, in 1854, See opened her first store in 1921 at the age of 65 after moving to Los Angeles with her oldest son. For more information, including ways to celebrate, go to seescandies.com. The local store is located at Del Monte Center.

Grasing's wine club is back

New wine director Eric Ewers this week announced Grasing's Wine Club, which doesn't actually require membership but offers the chance to participate in tastings and special dinners, is back. Anyone interested only needs to sign up under the "Contact Us" tab at grasings.com to receive special invitations and offers on everything wine related.

Since the typical wine dinners and other tasting events can't be held while coronavirus-induced restrictions are in place, Grasing's is offering "services to enhance your in-home wine experience," including wine cellar consul-

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Sous Chef Michelle Lee (right) of the C Restaurant + Bar is having her 15 minutes of fame on Food Network's Halloween Baking Championship, which begins on Sept. 14. (Above) The Last Hometown plans an honest-to-goodness non-virtual event on Oct. 14, with a "Celebration of the Great Chefs of Pacific Grove," a walking tour with food and drink from local restaurants and featured wineries.



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KOZA

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— also a distinguished singer — and others decided the event needed a youth chorus. “The Bach Festival tested the waters with a girls’ chorus in 2004 to fill a small role in several concerts. The experience showed us that the time had come for a festival youth chorus of teenage singers from the Monterey Bay area,” Gordon remembered.

He didn’t have to think too hard about who to call. “The obvious choice to lead it was the marvelous John Koza. He was beloved and respected for his work at First Pres Monterey and with the Camerata Singers,” he said.

This time, though, Koza wasn’t taking over an established group of adults. Gordon said, “The festival gave him the daunting task of creating a new ensemble from scratch, and he did a spectacular job. His

festival youth chorus enhanced the artistic pleasures of the Bach Festival and enriched the lives of the participants.”

The festival’s chorale and chorus director, Andrew Megill, who worked with Koza for more than 10 years, said “I will miss John’s love of poetry and his musical skill and leadership.”

He continued, “John has embodied the qualities of excellence, service to others, and sense of connection between artists, audience, and patrons that are the hallmarks of the Carmel Bach Festival.”

Koza said he thinks one of his most meaningful contributions to the community was a series of three concerts with the Camerata Singers. In 2018, they performed “The Beatitude Mass: For the Homeless” by Henry Mollicone, and raised \$10,000, for Dorothy’s Place in Salinas and Gathering for Women in Monterey.

In 2019, the singers presented “Dona nobis pacem (Grant us peace),” by Ralph Vaughan Williams, raising \$7,500 for the

Veterans’ Transition Center, and in March, just before the shutdown, a concert featuring “Considering Matthew Shepard” by Craig Hella Johnson brought in \$5,000 for Harmony at Home.

Unsurprisingly, Koza found solace in music during the forced solitude of the coronavirus pandemic by working on his keyboard skills.

“I practiced the pipe organ at First Presbyterian two hours a day. It was totally solitary and I started seeing improvement. I would very much like to continue that,” he said.

Painting, bicycling

If he does, of course, it will be in Tucson. Koza said he and Susan had vaca-

tioned there many times and embraced desert living. At 60, he’s looking forward to continuing to make music, although he’s not sure what that will look like, and he’s investigating other forms of art.

“I have two videos, one on learning to draw and one on how to paint with watercolors,” he said. There’s also a 130-mile recreation trail that he’s exploring via bicycle. “You have to get up early and get done before it gets hot,” he explained.

Maybe he’ll start missing the marine layer and come back to chill out.

Know someone whose life of accomplishment or adventure would make interesting reading? Please suggest them for Great Lives by emailing elaine@carmel-pinecone.com.

ART

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and composition — it’s fun and witty in the way that only someone in complete control of their craft can be.”

Hooker’s creative journey has led her away from the hustle and bustle of the city. She’s from San Francisco, but spent a decade in Truckee before moving to Auburn, where she now lives.

“Having grown up in an urban environment surrounded by concrete, skyscrapers, buses, taxis and traffic, I don’t know how I became so enamored with Western imagery,” she wondered. “It just gets under your skin in the best way.”

Hooker will offer painting demonstrations Friday and Saturday afternoons. Private showings are available. The gallery is located on Ocean between Dolores and Seventh. Call (831) 624-2000.

■ Artist unveils ‘Natural Inclinations’

Painter Jennifer Anderson introduces her first book, “Natural Inclinations,” when she presents a Zoom talk and virtual book-signing event Saturday at 2 p.m.

An exhibit of Anderson’s art is also on display at Carmel Art Association through Oct. 6. CAA gallery manager Sally Aberg described the show as “an evocative new collection of oil paintings of birds and wildlife, plus a giant-sized woodcut, watercolors, and other artworks created using multiple print-making disciplines.”

For details on how to connect, visit www.carmelart.org.

Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

■ Deadline extended for museum fundraiser

To raise money for its exhibits and programs, the Monterey Museum of Art is looking for donated paintings, photographs, prints, sculpture, and mixed media works to sell in its annual Miniatures show, which opens Nov. 12 and will be done online this year due to Covid-19.

Now through Sept. 30, people can make appointments to drop off art in a courtyard next to the museum, which is located at 559 Pacific St.

Art can also be mailed in. All donors must be museum members. For more details, visit montereyart.org.

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tations focusing on which wines should be consumed when, cellar organizing and restocking, and other valuable advice. With a deep wine list and lots of connections, Grasing’s can obtain hard-to-find bottles and sell wine of all kinds at competitive prices.

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■ The end is near at Zeph’s

Zeph’s One Stop is closing, owner Vince Ciolino announced a few weeks ago, and the Salinas’ store’s retirement sale is set to end Sept. 26.

Wine, liquor and champagne are already discounted, but customers can get an additional 15 percent off when they take home a mixed case. Everything in the store must go, and everything is on sale, with 20 percent off all wine and beer, and half off all decor and gifts.

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Pepperoni and jazz

Singer **Scotty Wright** and keyboardist **Eddie Mendenhall** team up to play jazz Wednesday from 5 to 8 p.m. at Gusto's Handcrafted Pizza and Pasta in Seaside.

Singer **Janice Marotta-Perl**, who is booking the music at Gusto's, said more shows are in the works. "We are thankful for the few restaurants that are willing to support our live musicians, and in turn, we hope to help the restaurants bring in a few extra tables, outside, and safely distanced,"

Marotta-Perl said.

Gusto's is located at 1901 Fremont Blvd. For reservations, call (831) 899-5825.

Live music is also happening at Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley, where an outside patio makes distancing possible. **New Rome Theatre** plays acoustic rock Friday, while **Klevr** serve up alternative rock at the same site Saturday. Both shows starts at 6 p.m.

The cafe is located at 3 Del Fino Place. For more details, call (831) 298-7453.

Just a short stroll away, singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** plays folk Sunday from 2 to 5:30 p.m. in the Massa Tasting Room Garden, which is located at 69 W. Carmel Valley Rd.



The audience mingles before the Manzanita Music Collective performs a 'Tiny Porch' concert in a downtown neighborhood.

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Sept. 12 – Opening Reception for "Re-Envision; New Paintings by Annie Hooker," 5 to 7 p.m. at Gallery MAR Carmel, on Dolores between Ocean & 7th, beside Piccadilly Park. Also, demonstrations by the artist all weekend long. For more information: GalleryMARCarmel.com (831) 624-2000.

Sept. 16 – Kick-off to Cannery Row Days: A Novel Celebration. Susan Shillinglaw, Robert DeMott, and Gerry Low-Sabado will consider the first 5 chapters of the book. Join on Zoom, or call by phone. Register at www.monterey.org/library or call (831) 646-3933.

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File No. 20201326
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: Haute Beauty Guide, 71 Pearl St, Monterey, CA 93940

Code Sections 6250-6277.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on August 4, 2020.

FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201323
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: JC TAX & FINANCIAL PLANNING, 214 Eucalyptus Dr., Salinas, CA 93905

VICE, 399 East San Antonio Dr., King City, CA 93930, County of Monterey

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201320
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: BEST WESTERN MARINA STATE BEACH, 3290 Dunes Rd., Marina, CA 93933

Registered Owner(s): Yoshiko Okada, 1193 10th St., Monterey, CA. 93940, County of Monterey

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201417
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: SCUBA SQUIRREL, 444 English Ave., Monterey, CA. 93940

Name of Corporation of as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: INTEGRATED STRATEGIC RESOURCES, INC. 433 South 15th St., San Jose, CA 95112

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201421
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: SUD D, 560 Fremont Street, Monterey, CA 93940

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201365
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Zales Jewelers #1398, 420 Del Monte Center, Suite 46, Monterey, CA 93940

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201364
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Zales Jewelers #0750, 728 Northridge Mall, Salinas, CA 93906

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201410
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: SR MANAGEMENT, 1102 Airport Road, Monterey, CA 93940

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201370
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: SEO DUDE, 1100 Presidio Rd., Pebble Beach, CA 93953

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201332
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: IRON LOCK, 1206 La Salle Ave., Spc. 50, Seaside, CA 93955

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201475
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: CROSSROADS CLEANERS, 123 Crossroads Blvd., Carmel, CA 93923

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201421
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: SUD D, 560 Fremont Street, Monterey, CA 93940

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201421
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201441
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Tank's Embroidery, 514 Lewis St., King City, CA 93930

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201510
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: BROWN HOLDINGS, 26385 Rio Avenue, Carmel, CA 93923

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CYPRESS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. the Cypress Fire Protection District, Board of Directors will meet at the District's fire station located at 3775 Rio Road, Carmel to consider adoption of the final budget for fiscal year 2020-21 that ends on June 30, 2021.

CARMEL HIGHLANDS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 12:30 p.m. The Carmel Highlands Fire Protection District, Board of Directors will meet at the District's fire station located at 73 Fern Canyon Road, Carmel to consider adoption of the final budget for fiscal year 2020-21 that ends on June 30, 2021.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201452
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CONSCIOUS FOUNDERS, 83A Corona Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.**
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey County.
Name of Corporation or as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **IF THEN MIND, INC., 83A Corona Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.**
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a corporation.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
S/ Alexander Ford, CEO
Date: **BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) (B&P Code 17913). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on August 20, 2020.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2020. (PC908)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201485
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Maligne, 600 Broadway Ave., Seaside, CA 93955.** County of Monterey.
Registered Owner(s): **GMUSCLE INC., 600 Broadway Ave., Seaside, CA 93955.**
This business is conducted by a Corporation.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 03/01/2020
S/ Klaus Lopez-Georis, President
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on August 24, 2020
9/11, 9/18, 9/25, 10/2/20
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Publication dates: Sept. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 2020. (PC909)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201491
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **BERMUDEZ CREMATIONS & FUNERALS, 475 Washington Street, Suite A, Monterey, CA 93940.**
Mailing address: **4901 Vineland Road, Suite 300, Orlando, Florida 32811.**
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey County.
Name of Corporation or as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **FPG CALIFORNIA, INC., 4901 Vineland Road, Suite 300, Orlando, Florida 32811.**
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: DE
This business is conducted by a corporation.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 3, 2020.
S/ Thomas M. Kominsky, Chief Financial Officer.
Date: Aug. 25, 2020
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) (B&P Code 17913). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on August 25, 2020.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2020. (PC910)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201529
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **SPARK HOME INSPECTIONS, 16649 Cachagua Rd, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.**
Mailing address: **P.O. Box 461, Moss Landing, CA 95039.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): **ALEX MOSOLOV, 16649 Cachagua Rd., Carmel Valley, CA 93924.**
This business is conducted by an unincorporated association other than an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
S/Alex Mosolov
Sept. 1, 2020
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 1, 2020.
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Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2020. (PC911)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201366
Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **OMNISAFIRA, 8710 Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.**
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey County.
Name of Corporation or as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **VINCI DIGITAL MARKETING LLC, 8710 Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.**
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 8, 2020.
S/ Gerald D. Vinci, Member
Date: Aug. 8, 2020
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) (B&P Code 17913). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on August 10, 2020.
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Publication dates: Sept. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 2020. (PC913)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201543
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **NICE & CLEAR WINDOW CLEANING SERVICE, 1760 Highland Street, Seaside, CA 93955.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): **PEDRO ANGELES, 1760 Highland St., Seaside, CA 93955.**
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Sept. 30, 2003.
S/Pedro Angeles
Sept. 3, 2020
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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 3, 2020.
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Publication dates: Sept. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 2020. (PC914)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARIAN (aka MARION) RUTH JONES, aka RUTH JONES Case Number 20PR000309

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of MARIAN (aka MARION) RUTH JONES, aka RUTH JONES.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ELLEN KATIE POOLE in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

The Petition for Probate requests that ELLEN KATIE POOLE be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

Date: Nov. 18, 2020
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Dept.: 13
Address: Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner:
Julie King, Esq.
Pierce King, P.C.
2100 Garden Rd., Suite G
Monterey, CA 93940
(831) 275-1002

This statement was filed by Superior Court of California, County of Monterey on Aug. 18, 2020.

Publication dates: Sept. 11, 18, 25, 2020. (PC915)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201540
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **GIGGLE MAGNETS, 57 Soledad Dr. #411, Monterey, CA 93940.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): **DEBORAH MARIE ROBERTS, 57 Soledad Dr. #411, Monterey, CA 93940.**
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
S/Deborah Marie Roberts
Sept. 2, 2020

BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 2, 2020.

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: Sept. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 2020. (PC916)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201486
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Titanium Extra, 2943 Cuesta Way, Carmel, CA 93923,** County of Monterey.
Registered Owner(s): **TITANIUM HEALTHCARE INC., 2943 Cuesta Way, Carmel, CA 93923; CA**
This business is conducted by a corporation.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 07/01/2019
S/ Mark DiSiena, Chief Financial Officer

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on August 24, 2020
9/11, 9/18, 9/25, 10/2/20
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CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Sept. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 2020. (PC917)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201519
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CARMEL CANDLE LAB, 701 Country Club Drive, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): **MOLLY KATHLEEN FRANKLIN-VOGELPOHL, 701 Country Club Drive, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.**
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 29, 2020.
S/Molly Kathleen Franklin-Vogelphol
Aug. 31, 2020

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Aug. 31, 2020.

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: Sept. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 2020. (PC918)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201531
Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CHA-YA, 118 Webster St., Monterey, CA 93940.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): **MITSUKO NODA GAMMON, 118 Webster St., Monterey, CA 93940.**
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact

business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 2012.
S/Mitsuko Gammon
Aug. 24, 2020

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 1, 2020.

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: Sept. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 2020. (PC919)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201446
Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **DIVERSIFIED SOFT TISSUE THERAPY, 620 Lighthouse Ave., Ste 120, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.**
Mailing address: **1095 Mariners Way, Pebble beach, CA 93953.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): **ROBERT MARTEN FONTECCHIO, 1095 Mariners Way, Pebble Beach, CA 93953. SARAH JANE FONTECCHIO, 1095 Mariners Way, Pebble Beach, CA 93953.**
This business is conducted by a married couple.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 15, 2011.
S/Sarah Jane Fontecchio
Aug. 19, 2020

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Aug. 19, 2020.

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: Sept. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 2020. (PC920)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201503
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **KAR GLASS PRO, 1026 Lupin Drive #5, Salinas, CA 93906.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): **NOE SEGURA, 1026 Lupin Dr. #5, Salinas, CA 93906.**
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 13, 2020.
S/Noe Segura
Aug. 21, 2020

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Aug. 26, 2020.

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Publication dates: Sept. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 2020. (PC921)

SUMMONS

(Citation Judicial)
CASE NUMBER: 20CV000625

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:
(Aviso al demandado)
JULIA CHRISTOPHER,
and DOES 1 to 20, Inclusive.

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:
(Lo esta demandando el demandante)
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NOTICE: You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for

a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. **NOTE:** The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. **¡AVISO!** Lohan demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación.

Tiene 30 DIAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una earla o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta.

Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y masinformación en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le de un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia.

Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. **¡AVISO!** Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 o más de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desearch el caso.

The name and address of the court is (El nombre y dirección de la corte es):
SUPERIOR COURT OF MONTEREY COUNTY

1200 AGUAJITO ROAD
MONTEREY, CA 93940
The name, address and telephone number of the plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is (El nombre, la dirección y el número de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):
Todd D. Reeves, SBN 189944
THE DUNNION LAW FIRM
2711 Garden Road
Monterey, CA 93940
(831) 373-8035
(831) 375-4124
Date: Feb. 14, 2020
(s) Lorrie Ford, Deputy
Publication Dates: Sept. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 2020. (PC922)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing in the City Hall Council Chambers, located on the east side of Monte Verde between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, on Wednesday, September 23, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible. Immediately prior to the public hearing, the Commission will visit some or all of the project sites as part of a Tour of Inspection. Interested members of the public are invited to attend.

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

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

The staff report and relevant documents will be available at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting on the City's website at <http://www.ci.carmel.ca.us>. The Planning Commission meeting will be televised live on the City's website and archived there after the meeting. For the items on the agenda, staff will present the project, then the applicant and all interested members of the public will be allowed to speak or offer written testimony before the Commission takes action. Decisions to approve or deny the project may be appealed to the City Council by filing a written notice of appeal with the office of the City Clerk within ten (10) working days following the date of action by the Planning Commission and paying the requisite appeal fee.

If you challenge the nature of the proposed action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission or the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing.

DS 20-100 (Azim)
Hoss Azimi, Designer
Monte Verde, 2 NE of Santa Lucia Block: 145; Lot: 26 & half of 28
APN: 010-173-020
Consideration of a Concept Design Study (DS 20-100, Azim) and associated Coastal Development Permit for the demolition of the existing 2-story residence and the construction of a new 2-story, single-family residence located on Monte Verde, 2 NE of Santa Lucia in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) Zoning District.

DS 20-182 (25962 Ridgewood)
Jeff Meyer, Owner
25962 Ridgewood Road
Block: 2 Walker Tract; Lot: 2
APN: 09-352-001
Consideration of a Combined Concept and Final Design Study (DS 20-182, 25962 Ridgewood) and associated Coastal Development Permit for an 876-square-foot net addition to, and the installation of a pitched roof on, the existing flat-roofed single-family residence located at 25962 Ridgewood in the Single-Family Residential (R-1), and Archaeological Overlay Zoning Districts.

DR 20-081 (128 S. Canon LLC)
Thomas Hood, Architect
6th 2 SW Mission & Ocean 2 NW Mission Block: 70; Lot: 3, 4 & pt 1
APN: 010-133-007
Consideration of a Design Review (DR 20-081) for storefront modifications to an existing split-level with frontages located on Ocean Avenue 2 NW Mission Street and 6th Avenue 2 SW Mission Street in the Central Commercial (CC) Zoning District and Downtown Conservation (DC) District Overlay.

DS 20-106 (Garren)
Glen Warner, Architect
Santa Rita, 4 NE of 6th Block: 62; Lot: 12
APN: 010-035-014
Consideration of a Track 1 Design Study (DS 20-106, Garren) referral to the Planning Commission for a 160 square foot addition to an existing single family residence located at Santa Rita, 4 NE of 6th in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) Zoning District.

DS 20-125 (Russey-Hazdovac)
Adam Jeselnick, Architect
SWC 5th and Lincoln Block: 54; Lot: 1
APN: 010-212-022
Consideration of a Concept Design Study (DS 20-125, Russey-Hazdovac) and associated Coastal Development Permit for the construction of a new 2-story residence on a vacant lot located at the southwest corner of 5th and

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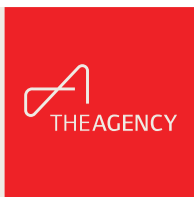


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Ryan White has been working on the DiBenedetto Team for over 5 years. He is a true professional leveraging his previous experience in sales and mortgage lending to drive better outcomes for their clients. Ryan will be continuing to collaborate with Kim in his role as a licensed Realtor at Monterey Coast Realty.

Anita Madison has also been a strong member of the DiBenedetto Team with over 15 years of Real Estate experience. She has an impressive local network having worked in the service industry on the Peninsula for many years. Anita will continue collaborating with the DiBenedetto Team as a licensed Realtor at Monterey Coast Realty.

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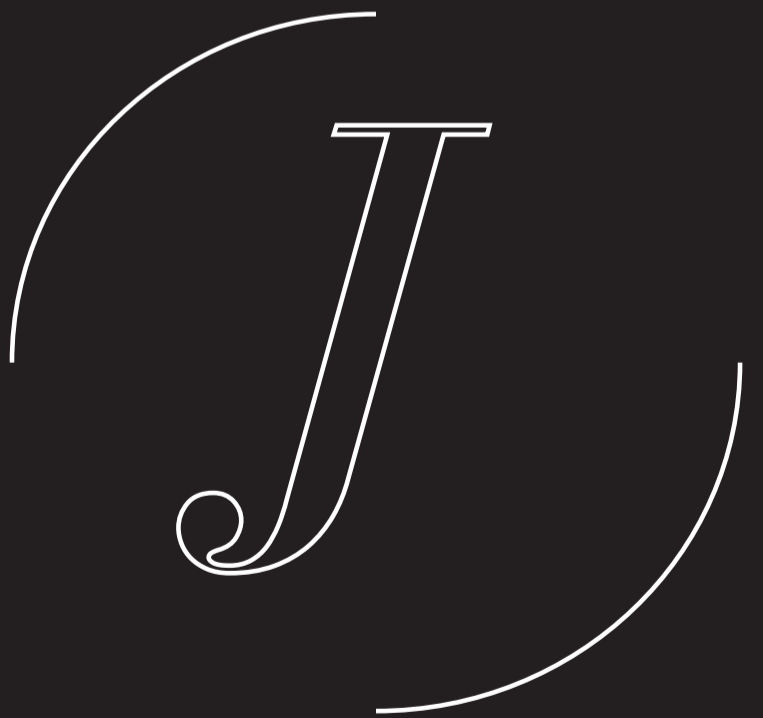
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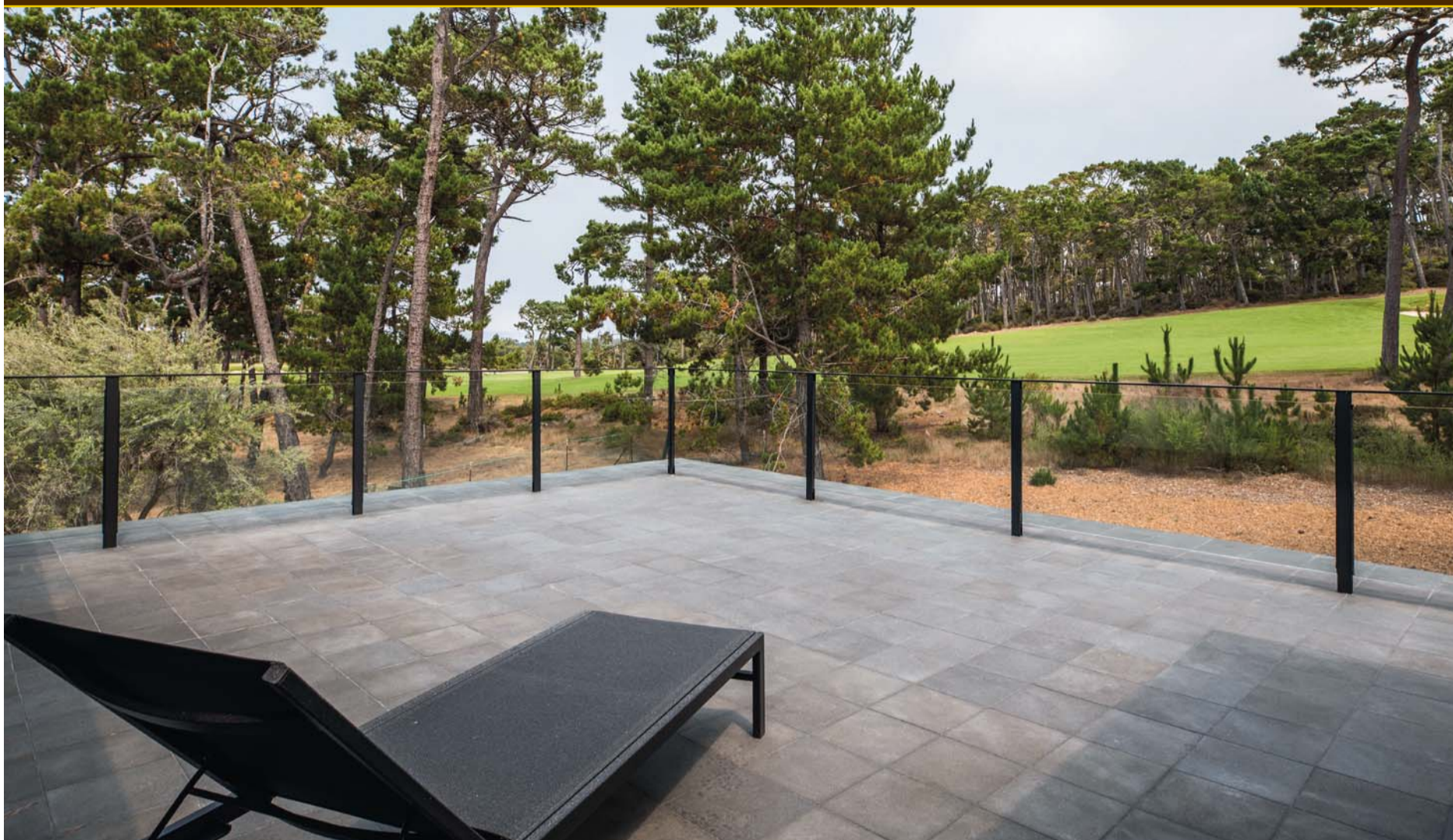
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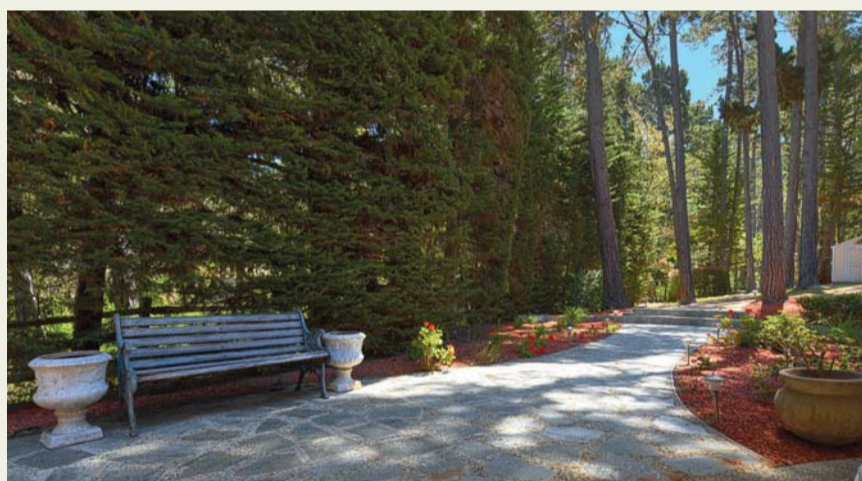
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Authors & Ideas fest forges ahead with online format — silver linings included

PEBBLE BEACH Authors & Ideas Festival founder Jim McGillen is fond of saying that it takes a lot of work and a little bit of Irish whiskey to pull off this annual event.

“This year, it took a wee bit more of the dew,” McGillen said. “The restrictions because of the virus made us completely revamp the format — several times.”

He said he had been in “constant contact” with health authorities, hoping the festival would be able to have the same format it’s had for 13 years.

“But I knew we were in trouble when I learned that the governor’s office was limiting gatherings to no more than 10 people,” McGillen said. “I even extended an invitation for Gov. Gavin Newsom to come, but

move a virtual format.

McGillen said they would do a test run for those who have registered, including a complete walk through to work out the bugs. He understands that there will be a wide range of technical proficiency among the registrants, and he wants to make sure people “are comfortable with the virtual format.”

‘Morning Joe’

Surprisingly, there are a couple of silver linings to the new format. McGillen and his wife Cindy have always opened up the festival to Monterey County students. Each year more than 2,000 students were bussed to Santa Catalina School in Monterey to see and hear many of the same presenters who spoke to the adults at Stevenson.

This year, thanks to the electronic format, the festival will be open to students from all parts of the county, with as many as 20,000 able to participate.

And since it will be online, this year’s event also has unlimited capacity for the regular audience, and McGillen asks anyone interested in registering to send a note to him at P.O. Box 509, Pebble Beach, Calif. 93953.

In addition to the regular presenters, a session offered through the educational website masterclass.com will be part of the festival program for adults and students. Masterclass.com offers video lectures and demonstrations from the very top talent in a variety of fields and has exploded in popularity in 2020 — for good reason. The instructors are household names, the video quality is amazing, and the lessons intimate and entertaining.

Despite the major format changes, this year’s Authors and Ideas festival will still feature a slate of marquee names on the presenters’ list. McGillen threw me a teaser with a couple of instantly recognizable speakers, New York Times columnist Thomas Friedman and the host of MSNBC’s “Morning Joe,” Joe Scarborough, who is not only a well known TV host but an attorney and politician who served in the U.S. House of Representatives from 1995 to 2001. The widely read columnist Friedman is a three-time Pulitzer Prize recipient.

“Even with all the logistical problems caused by the pandemic, no one said no to my invitation and everyone invited to present was enthusiastic about participating,” McGillen said.

The history of the Pebble Beach Authors and Ideas Festival has been written in the names of the speakers who before their appearance were not well known outside their areas of expertise. All were outstand-

ing presenters with the ability to make difficult topics understandable and entertaining. The ability to hold the attention of an audience remains the most important requirement to be invited to speak.

School days

I have experienced extraordinary things at the festivals over the years, including an elderly Frank McCourt saying — with a “bit O’ the Divil in him” — that there were so many women in the audience because of his buff body. Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O’Connor, with all her remarkable accomplishments, was proud of a hole-in-one she made. And who can forget Vanderbilt University’s professor of music composition, Michael Alec Rose, who took the audience on a wild musical journey from Bach, Beethoven and Mendelssohn to the Beatles, Springsteen and The Temptations, demonstrating rock music’s relationship to the classical concerto.

Personally, I will miss being back at Stevenson School, which presented me with a version of school days I could never have dreamed about in the cookie-cutter classroom buildings of my youth. On the other hand, this year the other virtual attendees and I will get a taste of what our children and grandchildren are going through as they cope with online learning while schools remain on lockdown.

Contact Jerry at jerrygervase@yahoo.com.

Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVASE

he told me he was a little busy right now.”

Stevenson High School has been the venue for the festival, but when the school didn’t even open for the 2020 academic year it was obvious that it would be necessary for the Authors and Ideas Festival to

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 27

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Responded to questions and concerns from a resident at Santa Fe and Second about noise from a neighbor’s chickens and materials found in his yard from

his neighbor’s pig.
Pacific Grove: Phone scam on Forest Avenue.
Carmel Valley: Female reported an unknown male on her property on El Caminito.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Citizen lost a credit card somewhere in town. Later, the person called back and advised the credit card was found in another jurisdiction.

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APN: 239-031-014

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5449 Quail Way — \$4,000,000

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Eric Hernandez to Patricia Chopra
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Diane Mandeville to Philip Trudeau
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3233 Susan Avenue — \$687,000

Christopher Beavers to Sean McCluskey
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1261 Fourth Street — \$893,500
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356 Asilomar Blvd. — \$925,000
Barbara Manabe to William Harber and Susie Suh
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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject was given a trespass advisement from a business in the area of Ocean and Junipero.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found property at Ocean and Del Mar was turned in for safekeeping. Owner was notified; property returned.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found cell phone on Scenic.

Pacific Grove: A dog was found on Fourth Avenue. The dog was later returned to her owner.

Carmel Valley: Person at Hacienda Carmel reported suspicious circumstances.

Carmel area: Adult Protective Services referral on Scenic Road.

Carmel area: During a traffic stop on Highway 1, deputies discovered that the driver had been reported as a missing person.

Carmel Valley: Possible theft of jewelry from a residence on Via las Encinas.

Carmel area: Child Protective Services

referral on Valenzuela.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officer responded to a report of an injured cat on San Carlos north of Sixth and transported it to a veterinarian. A microchip was found by the vet, and the owner was contacted and medical treatment decided.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found wallet at Del Mar. Contacted owner who will pick up.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Harassment reported on Lorca Lane.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Counter report of damage to a parked vehicle on 10th west of Mission.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Deceased subject by natural causes on Fourth east of Monte Verde.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found yellow colored pin with a bow in the area of Scenic and Martin.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found credit card on the beach.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Residential burglary reported at Carmelo and Ocean.

Pacific Grove: Found bike on Ocean View Boulevard.

Big Sur: Deputies responded after report of a vehicle burglary on Highway 1.

Carmel area: A 48-year-old male registered sex offender was arrested on Viejo

Road after he was discovered to be in violation of the conditions of his release

Carmel area: Deputies responded to an Outlook Drive residence after a 911 hang-up call.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject reported ongoing harassment regarding a refund and was concerned about possible escalation. Other involved party contacted via telephone. Both parties counseled and peaceful resolution was reached.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fall on city property at Scenic and 10th.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Crime tip at Dolores and Seventh for an outside agency.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury accident reported on Second Avenue. Vehicle towed from scene.

Pacific Grove: A 48-year-old male on Ocean View Boulevard was found in possession of a controlled substance. Cited and released.

Pacific Grove: Verbal altercation on Asilomar.

Pacific Grove: A victim on Asilomar was choked, slapped, and punched by the suspect, who was a former cohabitant, and they have a child in common.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic stop at San

Carlos and Ocean at 0222 hours resulted in 19-year-old male driver being arrested for DUI.

Pacific Grove: During response to another call on Asilomar, officer located a Golden State Advantage card belonging to someone other than the person registered to a hotel room. Collected for safekeeping.

Pacific Grove: A subject turned in ammunition to be destroyed.

Pacific Grove: Cards and ID were found on Laurel. A message was left for the owner.

Pacific Grove: Hearing aids found on Ocean View Boulevard were turned in. No owner information known.

Pacific Grove: Possible animal abuse on Lighthouse.

Big Sur: A vehicle burglary occurred by Garrapata State Beach.

Carmel area: Report of a vehicle burglary on Highway 1.

Carmel area: A 50-year-old male was arrested on Hatton Road for domestic violence and child abuse.

MONDAY, AUGUST 31

Pacific Grove: Theft from unlocked vehicles on Evergreen Road.

Pacific Grove: Controlled substance received through the mail at a 17 Mile Drive residence.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle repo on Asilomar.

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