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Lions visit, kitten goes home, rocks scrubbed



It's been a week of unique images, including (clockwise, from top left) three lions captured on video during an overnight visit to Point Lobos (story below), the reunion of the kitten whose paws were burned in the Carmel Valley fire being reunited with his family (see page 3A), and volunteers busily scrubbing away at some of Big Sur's boulders (see page 11A.)

PHOTOS/COURTESY LAURA FRANKLIN, SPCA, AUSTIN KEEGAN

Desal plan abruptly withdrawn; Cal Am says it will 'reengage'

By KELLY NIX

IN A surprising move Wednesday afternoon, California American Water withdrew its application to the California Coastal Commission to build a desalination plant in Marina — a day before commissioners were to make a decision on the desal plant's permit.

Cal Am proposed the desal plant more than 20 years ago after the State Water Resources Control Board ordered the company in 1995 to come up with an alternative source to the overdrafted Carmel River.

The California Public Utilities Commission and the SWRCB have already OK'd the desal plant, but the coastal commission's staff, after many of years of advocating for desal as a solution to the Monterey Peninsula's water woes, announced they were against it.

Realizing it could get a "no" vote from the coastal commission, Cal Am said in a news release late Wednesday it was withdrawing its permit application and plans to "reengage Marina stakeholders on issues of social and environmental

justice." The six wells Cal Am would use for the project would be on sand dunes along the Marina shoreline, though the treatment facility would be inland.

'In best interest'

Marina, which wouldn't get any water from the desal plant, has long sought to stop Cal Am from building wells in its sand dunes, arguing they would damage its water supply, and the coastal commission's staff pointed to the project's "substantial" environmental impacts as a reason to reject it.

Cal Am President Rich Svindland said many factors contributed to the company's decision and that withdrawing and refileing the application later is "in the best interest of our customers" because it increases the likelihood that the company will eventually get the permits to build the desal project.

"We will keep the state water board informed of these events and believe this decision supports our intent to decrease pumping on the river as quickly as pos-

See **DESAL** page 22A

POINT LOBOS CENSUS FINDS NOT ONE LION, BUT THREE

By CHRIS COUNTS

LIKE A good census-taker, Point Lobos intern researcher Laura Franklin wanted her summer survey of the reserve's large land animals to be inclusive, so she set up wildlife cameras in dozens of remote locations. But it wasn't until she was close to wrapping up her project Aug. 30 that she finally caught a photograph of the reserve's most elusive land mammal, a mountain lion. And when she took a closer look at the image, she was surprised to discover an additional two pairs of lion eyes trailing behind it.

"We are all very excited," Franklin told The Pine Cone. "My guess is we have a mom and her two cubs. At this point, they are old enough to venture out with mom and learn how to hunt. Cubs will usually stay with their moms until they're about 2 years old."

See **LIONS** page 22A

Shutdown continues as coronavirus cases surge

■ Hospitalizations down, though

By KELLY NIX

ALTHOUGH MONTEREY County seemed to be headed in the right direction last week with fewer coronavirus infections, this week took a turn for the worse.

From Sept. 7 to 11, the county had cases ranging from a high of 59 to a low of 23. That changed Sept. 12, when the county reported 143 new cases, the highest of the month. Though there was a low of only 19 cases Monday, that figure increased to 78 Tuesday, 108 Wednesday and 140 Thursday.

Nowhere near reopening

It's not clear what caused the spike, but Labor Day crowds could have helped spread the virus. On the Peninsula, there were only three reported cases — two in Seaside and one in Marina — out of Thursday's 140.

The new numbers won't help Monterey County advance to the next tier of reopening, which requires the county to

have a seven-day average of no more than 7.0 cases per 100,000 people, and to keep it there three straight weeks. While Monterey County's seven-day average per 100,000 people had been about 11 last week, it's now 18.

The sharp rise in cases came after county health officer Dr. Ed Moreno told the Monterey County Board of Supervisors Tuesday that there was a generally a positive trend in the statistics here.

See **VIRUS** page 17A

Emergency wall repairs at Mission

■ Other major projects on the way

By MARY SCHLEY

WORKERS REMOVED a 30-foot stretch of adobe wall at the Carmel Mission earlier this month after it was found to have deteriorated to the point of being dangerous, according to Stephanie Zelei, executive director of the nonprofit Carmel Mission Foundation, which has raised millions of dollars and overseen many improvements at

See **MISSION** page 20A

Sampognaro Jr. accused of shooting father to death

By MARY SCHLEY

ONE MEMBER of a local family with an extensive criminal history was killed and another was taken to jail for allegedly shooting him in the head following an argument in a barn on Laureles Grade Saturday morning. Joseph Sampognaro, 32, pleaded not guilty in a Salinas courtroom Wednesday to second-degree murder and numerous other charges, and remained in Monterey County Jail on \$2.2 million bail.

Monterey County Sheriff's Cmdr. Derrel Simpson didn't share details about the case this week, since it's still under investigation, but confirmed that after the shooting, Sampognaro fled in a black Corvette.

'Pin him in'

Deputies responding to the shooting spotted the car, gave chase and eventually captured him after he crashed on Highway 1 in the Highlands.

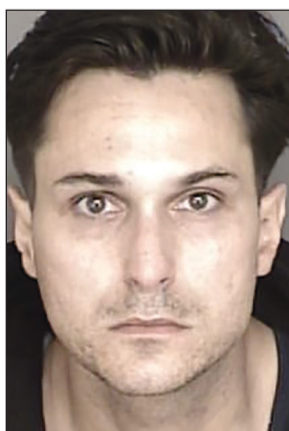
"There was a pursuit, he spun out and

crashed into a sign and tried to drive away," Simpson said. "At that point, the deputies used their vehicles to pin him in to keep him from getting away."

Several locals, including the owner of a Carmel antiques store and the owner of a Carmel Valley restaurant and catering company, reported seeing the chase and its aftermath.

Chip Wittpenn was driving to town from the valley when he saw deputies "flying down C.V. Road," and then saw them chasing the Corvette, and Deborah Wenzler said she saw the Corvette surrounded by the deputies' cars after it had smashed into a fence in the Carmel Highlands. She said she was glad Sampognaro had been caught.

He is being charged with second-degree murder for shooting his 56-year-old father, along with fleeing from cops, evading arrest and being a felon in possession of a firearm. According to the complaint filed this week by the Monterey County District Attorney's



Joseph Sampognaro Jr.

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A construction crew removed a deteriorating section of adobe wall at the Carmel Mission after it became a safety hazard, and set up a temporary wall. It will be replaced.



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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

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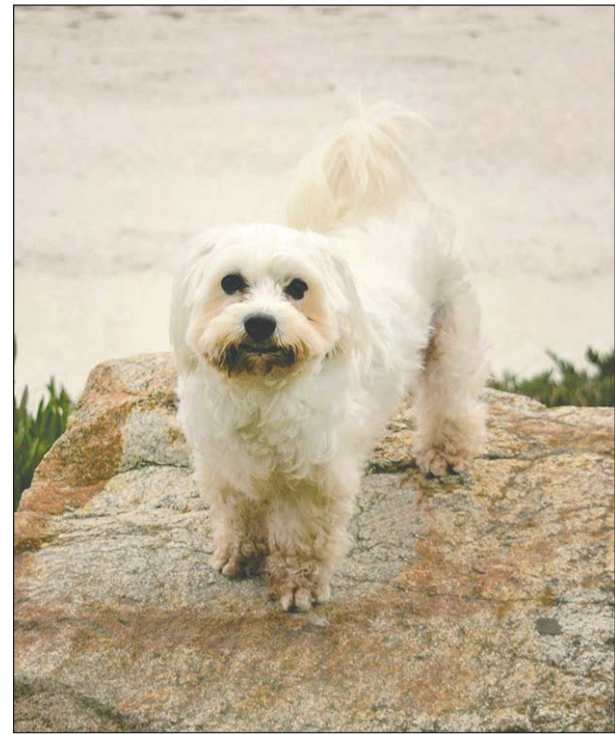
THE WOMAN'S family had gone through some changes, all of which indicated it was time to get a dog. Her father had died, which left a hole in her heart. Her daughter had turned 10, which seemed the right age to appreciate a pet. And, they'd moved to Carmel Valley, into a home whose fenced yard seemed to be waiting for a dog.

When a friend showed her Ivory, a miniature Poodle-Shih Tzu mix featured on the SPCA website, she felt certain she'd found the perfect fit. Hoping to surprise her daughter with the little dog on Christmas morning, she shortened her name from Ivory to Ivy, which seemed connected to Christmas.

Except the little dog was on hold for another family. Her future person asked to pay the standard \$25 hold fee and get in line, but that's not how it works. What did work was that the dog didn't work out with the other family.

It wasn't that they didn't like the dog. Ivy didn't like them.

So she took her daughter to the SPCA for a meet-and-greet, but her daughter said she didn't need a dog. Undaunted, she adopted Ivy anyway,



assuming her child would yield to the enchantment of Christmas morning.

Four years later, everybody loves Ivy, including the neighborhood dogs. Like a little ambassador, she wanders the streets, determined to find friends.

"Ivy sits quietly on our neighbor's doorstep, waiting for her pal, Annie, to come out," her person said. "If Annie doesn't appear, she'll go to a different house, help their dog escape, and bring him home to play."

Ivy's other playground is Carmel beach.

"She cares less about the water and more about all the crazy smells and canine companions," her person said. "She loves it so much, she'd walk there herself, if she could."

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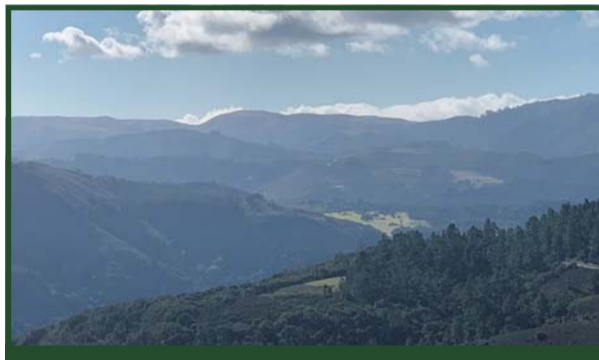
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Kitty rescued from fire with burned paws reunited with family

By KELLY NIX

A KITTEN whose paws were burned after he and another cat ran away as their owners were trying to flee the Carmel Fire was reunited with his family this week.

At the SPCA headquarters off of Highway 68 Monday, Bubs, who suffered burns on all four paws, was pleased to be back in the arms of Clare Nicholson and her daughters, the spokeswoman for the SPCA for Monterey County, which rescued and nursed the cat back to health, told The Pine Cone.

“He was very happy to see them,” Beth Brookhouser said a few hours after Bubs reunited with his family at the nonprofit’s complex across from Laguna Seca.

Nicholson and her daughters lost their home in late August and were, until now, unable to take care of Bubs and their other cat, Mango, a female.

Bubs stayed with the SPCA and a foster family while he recovered. SPCA veterinarians had to change his bandages daily, and his treatment was done at no charge to the cats’ owners.

That the cats were discovered when they were a small miracle.

The felines ran away as the family was trying put them into animal carriers and

evacuate their Via Cielo property off of Cachagua Road because of the quickly moving blaze. Fortunately, the cats somehow survived, and after the fire had passed through, a firefighter spotted them and contacted the SPCA, whose employees had been doing animal welfare checks in the area. SPCA staff members rescued the cats from a van that was completely burned.

Covered with soot

While Bubs had injuries, Mango was covered in soot but was otherwise fine. The SPCA treated Bubs and brought the kitty back to health. Another one of the Nicholson’s cats was also rescued.

“They now have all three kitties in their new home with them,” Brookhouser said.

The SPCA has rescued and sheltered hundreds of animal during the three fires that ravaged parts of the county. While two fires have been put out, the Dolan Fire is still burning. Firefighters have it about 40 percent contained.

As of last week, the organization was sheltering dogs, cats, goats, horses, chickens and a bunny.

“We do still have some animals sheltered from the River and Carmel fires who cannot yet go home for a variety of reasons,” Brookhouser explained.

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An open letter to friends et al:

We are all now faced with a world that is changing before our eyes. A worldwide pandemic, and the planet seems to be on fire. Our beloved country is seemingly adrift and rudderless with no one at the helm. What kind of world are we leaving for our children and future generations?

I was incredibly fortunate to have a magical and enchanting life and I am filled with gratitude. I left this Camelot called Carmel 1963 in search of enlightenment, adventure and purpose. Devastated, we had just lost our president and I had been drafted to be sent to Vietnam. I was so young, vulnerable, and naive but thirsty to make my mark on the world.

By the grace of god, I was granted a student deferment. My first 5 years in Paris, I dedicated to my education at the Sorbonne. I soon learned that my true education would not be from the hallowed lecture halls but would come with each foot fall as I embarked on my journey. This journey began in Paris but soon the “meuzzin” from atop the minarets of the Levant, from Constantinople to Damascus beckoned me eastward. As a young American, adrift in the world, the doors began to open one after another into the hearts and tents of the nomads to the palaces of Maharajas. The call to the East I could not deny.

I soon found myself on the top of the world largest Buddhas of Afghanistan. I was literally drunk with ecstasy and now they are gone! The Afghans taught me how valuable character and loyalty is. To the highest reaches of Mt. Everest, I sat at the foot of Tibetan monks, Sufis, beggars and scholars who taught me to go deep within the mystery of oneself. At that point my attachment to the material world would not be where I would spend my life.

From synagogue, to monastery, from temple to mosque, I searched for my teachers. Little by little, I brought home a different way to view the world. I would need to imbue this knowledge to my own sons. These treasures from vanishing civilizations I would never really own, as we are just stewards in this fleeting life as we pass them on. I always surrounded myself with art. It is what nurtures my soul. But Now... it is time to let go!

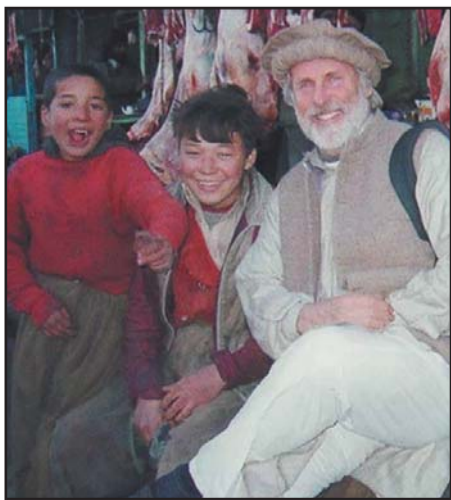
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Again, I hope to see many familiar faces so that I may show my gratitude for all the kindness that I’ve encountered on this long journey...

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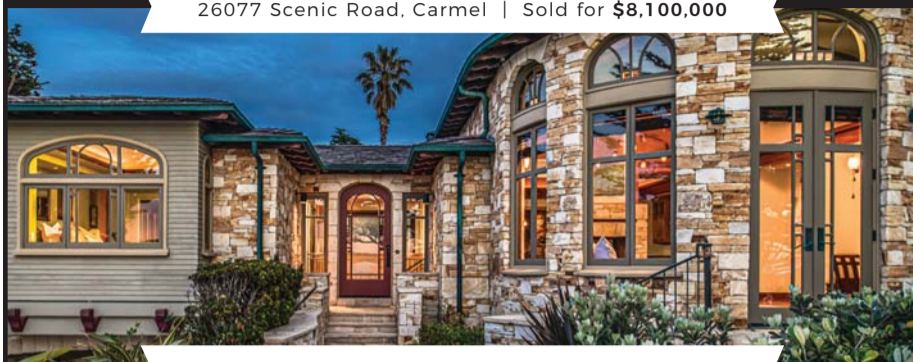


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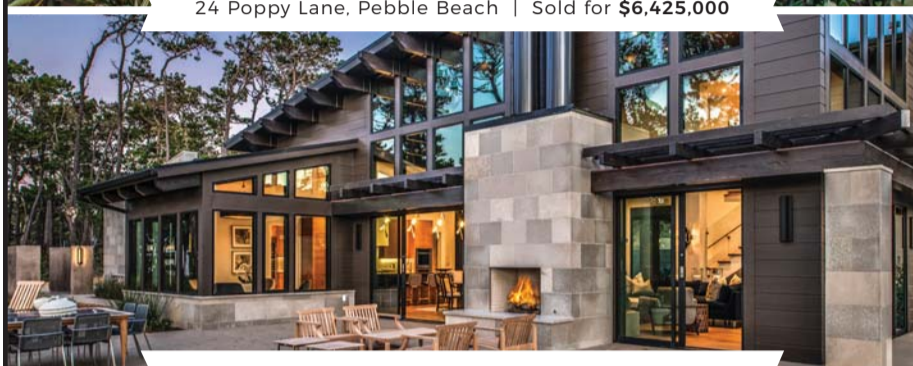
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Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

It's not fraud, it's the coronavirus

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.

MONDAY, AUGUST 31

Pacific Grove: Subject on David was gravely disabled.

Pacific Grove: Theft from a truck bed on Piedmont.

Pacific Grove: Parking enforcement officer assaulted on Sunset while in performance of their duties.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a verbal dispute between brothers at a Valle Vista Road residence.

Big Sur: AT&T representative reported the theft of batteries from an operations site south of Gorda in Big Sur.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A female stole an unknown amount of cash from the tip jar of a local business on Ocean east of Dolores. Victim was not desirous of prosecution or a trespass advisement. Information only.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Past-tense battery and assault at Camino Real and Eighth. Victim did not wish to prosecute. Suspect was trespassed from the business.

Pacific Grove: Subject reported seeing a large mountain lion crossing the road on

Congress at 0345 hours.

Pacific Grove: Suspect admitted to falsely reporting a crime of domestic violence.

Pacific Grove: Suspicious email sent which is possibly related to a past-tense sexual assault.

Big Sur: Found property on Highway 1.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A wallet was found at Junipero and Ocean and turned in to the police department.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A customer made a purchase at a business on Ocean east of Dolores for a single item. The customer was notified by the bank the additional charges were made on the credit card. A refund was issued and is pending. The customer's card has been closed by the bank. This caused a hardship on the customer since they are traveling and no longer able to use the credit card.

Pacific Grove: Non-injury DUI collision on Piedmont at 0242 hours. The 28-year-old male suspect has prior DUIs.

Pacific Grove: A cell phone was found on Asilomar State Beach. Owner could not be identified, so the item will be held for safekeeping.

Pacific Grove: A 71-year-old female at Country Club Gate made threats toward others and resisted arrest. Transported to Monterey County Jail.

See POLICE LOG page 16A



The gavel falls

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

July 23 — Monterey County District Attorney Jeannine M. Pacioni announced today that Sigifredo Contreras Narez, age 51, a resident of Salinas, has been sentenced to prison for driving with a blood alcohol level over the legal limit.

On Nov. 12, 2017, around 2 a.m., police officers of the Salinas Police Department responded to a citizen's report of a reckless vehicle that was possibly involved in an accident. The reporting citizen was able to describe the vehicle and officers located it on Sherwood Drive. When officers saw the vehicle, they noticed its tire was flat, its left rear taillight was hanging from the vehicle, and that its tailgate was damaged.

After conducting a traffic stop, an officer contacted Narez and immediately noticed the smell of alcohol coming from him. Narez claimed that the damage on his vehicle was due to him hitting a curb, but he could not explain why his taillight was dangling off his car. Narez was unsteady on his feet and could not satisfactorily complete the field sobriety tests that the officer administered. Narez admitted to drinking but claimed he had only one beer prior to driving; however, an evidentiary blood test revealed that Narez had a blood alcohol level of .20%, which is almost triple the legal limit.

In California, anyone who drives a vehicle with a blood alcohol level of .08% or above

is presumed to be impaired, regardless of how well that person drives.

Narez's crime is punishable by state prison because of a sentencing enhancement for having previously suffered a felony conviction for driving with a blood alcohol level above the legal limit in 2014. Judge Rafael Vazquez sentenced Narez to serve 2 years in the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

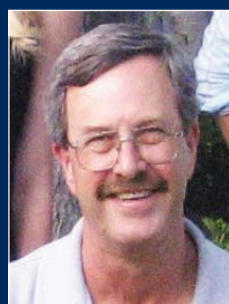
Aug. 7 — Maria De Jesus Prieto, 35, resident of Castroville, pled guilty to felony welfare fraud.

Between the months of May 2018 and February 2019, Prieto was receiving Cal-Fresh benefits (food stamps) and CalWorks benefits (cash aide) claiming that she needed these benefits to support her family as she was unemployed. A subsequent investigation by the Department of Social Services and the Monterey County District Attorney's Office revealed that she was in fact employed during the entire fraud period at Ramco Enterprises.

This resulted in her household receiving income well above the income threshold level to receive benefits. Prieto's failure to report her employment and income to the Department of Social Services resulted in an overpayment of benefits of \$7,042.00

Prieto will be sentenced on Nov. 17. She

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Dogs seized after they kill, injure

By KELLY NIX

TWO PEOPLE were bitten and a small dog was killed last week when a pair of Italian mastiffs — owned by a 55-year-old man who was forced last year to have another dog euthanized because it was vicious — attacked them in a Monterey neighborhood.

On Sept. 11 at about 11:30 a.m., a woman walking her two small dogs near Cielo Vista Drive was confronted by the mastiffs owned by Monterey resident Les Flores. While the woman tried to walk away from the much larger dogs, they pursued her and attacked.

“The woman attempted to intervene and protect her dogs, and she was bitten on the hand by one of the mastiffs,” according to Monterey police. “A male resident observed the attack and came to the woman’s aid. The male began striking the mastiffs with a wooden cane.”

But the mastiffs attacked the woman’s dogs and knocked the good Samaritan to the ground before biting him on the leg. The dogs then returned home.

Owner cited

The unidentified woman was treated at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula for her injuries, while the man had puncture marks but refused treatment. Her dogs were taken to an emergency veterinarian, where one of them died. Her other dog was treated for bite wounds and is expected to survive, police said.

Officers seized Flores’ mastiffs, and cited him for multiple misdemeanor viola-

tions, including vicious dogs, dogs running at large and unlicensed dogs.

This isn’t the first time Flores’ dogs have gotten him in trouble. In 2019, he agreed to have a third mastiff, a 1-year-old male called Balto, euthanized after it had attacked several neighborhood dogs and people.

Flores agreed to having the dog put down after the City of Monterey filed documents in Monterey County Superior Court to have his pets deemed vicious — the same process it said it will pursue after the most recent attack.

Residents who live and walk near Flores’ house told city officials at the time that their animals had been attacked and bitten by Flores’ dogs. One man said Balto latched onto his arm with his teeth as he was walking by Flores’ house, while another man said the dog tried to “maul” his 4-year-old grandniece by charging at her. The man stopped the dog from reaching the girl.

Can’t own dogs

The agreement also compelled Flores to keep any dogs inside or in an enclosure to ensure the animals couldn’t escape and children couldn’t enter.

Monterey police said that because of the “vicious and unprovoked nature” of last week’s attack, the department will work with the city attorney’s office to try to have Flores’ dogs declared vicious, and will not return the animals to him.

The city will also request that Flores be prohibited from owning dogs for three years.

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Letter to residents of Carmel-by-the-Sea

My position as a member of the Carmel-by-the-Sea city council, and as mayor pro tem, has been rewarding, challenging and an honor. I remain grateful for the opportunity to impact our village in a positive way. My passion for our city is continually reinforced with every conversation I have with residents, shopkeepers or visitors. I am inspired and encouraged by the resilience and perseverance of our village, neighbors, friends. We live in a very special place.

I am extremely proud of my voting record, and the reasoning behind each vote. I have witnessed many accomplishments in the past few years, and it is always satisfying to see them come to fruition. My dedication to maintain the safety and the character of our village has been unwavering. My determination to be fiscally responsible has always been evident when it comes to spending your tax dollars.

Carmel is now faced with unfamiliar circumstances, which brings a new set of challenges and opportunities. Above all, we must continue to maintain the safety of our residents and businesses, while preserving the character of our village.

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City gets strong credit rating as council votes to refi Sunset debt

By MARY SCHLEY

WANTING TO take advantage of historically low interest rates and make up for some of the pandemic-induced cashflow problems expected to plague city hall for the next couple of years, the city council voted at a special meeting Sept. 3 to refinance the remaining \$4,890,000 owed on Sunset Center bonds issued in 2010.

A national credit-rating agency's announcement Friday that the city will maintain its stellar AAA rating, along with the determination that the bonds will be rated at the slightly lower AA+, gave city administrator Chip Rerig confidence the interest rate charged on the debt will be "low, low, low." He said he expects the interest rate, including costs, to be "well under 2 percent."

Third time

The city first issued bonds in 2001 to generate nearly \$10 million for renovations at the center, which underwent a \$21.65 million overhaul, with \$13.4 million of it funded by donors and supporters. The city refinanced the debt, which then totaled \$5,575,000, in 2010 to take advantage of lower interest rates, and those bonds will be eligible for refinancing Nov. 1. With the coronavirus shutdown crushing the economy, and therefore interest rates, the cost of debt is at an all-time low. At their Sept. 3 meeting, council members discussed whether to refinance the bonds in a way that would cut costs the most over time, or that would have more upfront "savings" while costing more in the long run.

"Originally, we were looking at one option of savings over the life of the bonds," budgets and contracts director Sharon Friedrichsen told the council. "However, in light of the pandemic, some things emerged," including low interest rates and

a "dramatic impact" on the city's economic base and tax revenues.

"So, really, our strategies and options presented to council tonight changed to recognize more immediate upfront savings to remedy the impacts of Covid-19," she said.

Friedrichsen presented four options. After a reduction of more than \$432,000 in fiscal year 2020-2021, the first option would level the savings in the subsequent years, with annual payments dropping from the current roughly \$506,000 to somewhere in the \$420,000 range.

By the time the bonds mature on Nov. 1, 2031, taxpayers would have shelled out \$4,743,842.

Option 2 would see the first few years' payments drop significantly, followed by a rebound to annual payments similar to what they are now. The 2020-2021 fiscal year would see savings of around \$428,000, followed by \$355,000 in 2021-2022 and \$134,000 in 2022-2023. Payments would bounce back up to \$503,000 or so starting in 2023-2024, and the total payout when the bonds mature in late 2031 would be \$5,146,732.

A third option would double the life of the bonds to 20 years, reducing annual payments by roughly \$232,000 per year from fiscal year 2021-2022 through Nov. 1, 2031, but totaling an estimated \$5,667,029 overall, \$921,000 more than Option 1.

And a fourth option would extend the bonds by one more year, to Nov. 1, 2032, in order to have even lower payments during the first few years. The total payout is estimated at \$5,198,272.

At the meeting, Rerig recommended the second or fourth options to reduce outlay while revenues are tight.

Councilman Jeff Baron, who developed

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Supervisors pledge to ease burden on fire victims

By MARY SCHLEY

PEOPLE WHOSE homes burned in the recent fires in the county — the Carmel, River and Dolan fires — face a daunting task when it comes to trying to rebuild, but this week the Monterey County Board of Supervisors voted to make the process a little less painful by waiving fees and prioritizing their permits.

Started by lightning Aug. 16, the River Fire in the hills above the Salinas Valley destroyed 30 buildings and damaged 13 more before being stopped at nearly 48,100 acres in early September, while the Carmel Fire, which ignited off Cachagua Road two days later, had burned 73 buildings to the ground and damaged seven more by the time it had grown to just over 6,900 acres in early September. Its cause is still under investigation. And in the southern reaches of Big Sur, the Dolan Fire, which was also started Aug. 18 by an alleged arsonist, continues to devastate the

coast and mountains. As of Thursday morning, it had consumed more than 125,559 acres and burned 19 buildings, and was 40 percent contained.

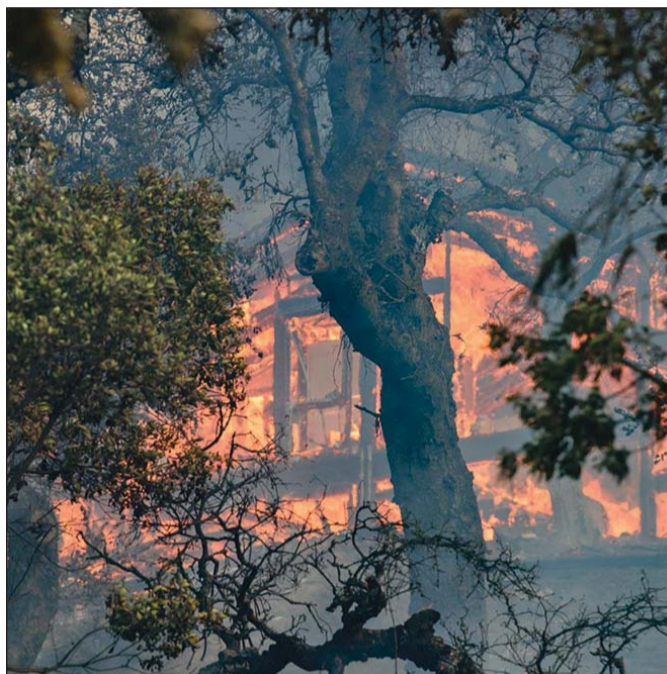
This week, officials urged property owners whose homes were destroyed to resist the urge to return to their burned-out properties until hazardous-materials recovery teams have tested them for toxins and removed anything dangerous. In Phase I cleanup, which doesn't cost homeowners anything, experts from the state toxic substances control department and the EPA "inspect and remove any hazardous waste that may pose a threat to human health, animals, and the environment such as batteries, herbicide, pesticide, propane tanks, asbestos siding, and paints, and e-waste," Carl Holm, director of the county's resource management agency, and his staff explained in their report.

Landowners can follow the progress via an online interactive map, and inspectors will post notices at properties that have been cleared, after which the second phase of cleanup — which includes removing ash and other burned debris — can begin. At the Sept. 15 board meeting, Ricardo Encarnacion, assistant bureau chief of the county's environmental health bureau, said haz-mat cleanup should begin in a few weeks.

Permit help

Holm also explained Tuesday that his department stands ready to help people who have lost their homes and other buildings by prioritizing their permits and waiving fees, which he roughly estimated would cost taxpayers \$2 million. For those whose properties are insured, the county would recover the fee money or waive it if the insurers refuse to pay. The county will waive fees altogether for those without insurance.

Assuming their plans for replacement structures follow some basic rules, including being constructed on the same footprint or better sited, being no more than 10 percent larger than the building that was burned, and conforming to all zoning requirements, victims should get county approval fairly quickly, though geotechnical studies might be required to ensure their land is still safe. Any permits required for tree removals, water and septic systems, and other infrastructure would be included.



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A home burns in the Cachagua area of Carmel Valley on Aug. 18, the first day of the Carmel Fire, which destroyed 73 buildings.

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‘Diversity’ series to feature Hispanic separatist

By KELLY NIX

WHEN CAL State Monterey Bay hosts its first “diversity” series next week, it will feature an activist who has said Latinos living in the United States are a “hostage people,” has called for a large part of the United States to be returned to Mexico, and has been criticized for making racially insensitive and inflammatory remarks.

CSUMB Monday announced the lineup for its Diversity Celebration Series, which will not only welcome the grandson of celebrated civil rights leader César Chávez, it will also feature José Angel Gutiérrez, 75, a professor and cofounder of La Raza Unida Party, a left-wing Chicano nationalist organization.

In 1969, while Gutiérrez addressed a Mexican American youth group, he said “Mexicanos” would “eliminate the gringo.” The comment was widely criticized and has followed him since.

In a 2010 editorial in a Fort Worth newspaper entitled “On the Origin of the ‘Eliminate the Gringo,’” Gutiérrez pointed to a 1969 article by a reporter for the San Antonio Express News who pressed him about the statement.

“You can eliminate an individual in various ways,” Gutiérrez responded, according to the editorial. “You can kill him, but that is not our intent at this moment. You can remove the base of support that he operates from, be it economic, political, social. That is what we intend to do.”

When recently asked about the statement, which Gutiérrez made when he was in his 20s, he said, “For the record, this was a press conference 38 years ago!”

‘Hostages’

In 1999, Gutiérrez was asked about southwestern areas of the United States that some Mexican nationalists and activist groups have sought to reclaim. He responded by saying the United States “took” the land in 1848, and “we want it back.” He also claimed that Latinos living in the United States are a “captive people, in a sense, a hostage people.”

“This is our home, and this is our homeland, and we are entitled to it,” Gutiérrez remarked. “We are the host. Everyone else is a guest.”

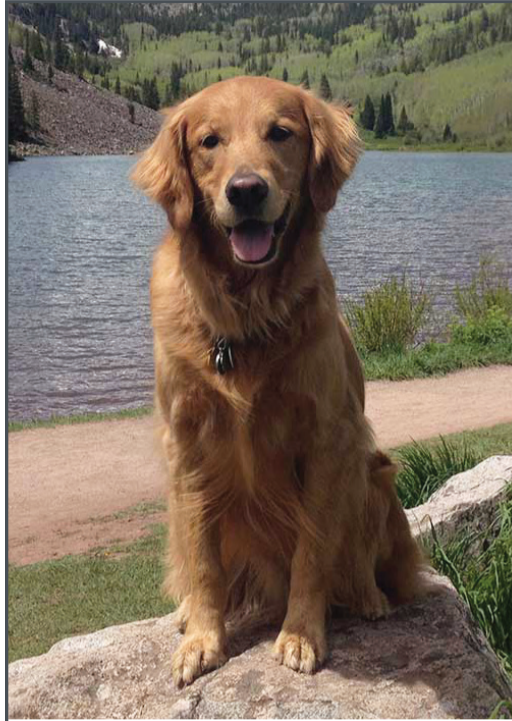
In that same interview, Gutiérrez said, “It is not our fault that Whites don’t make babies, and Blacks are not growing in sufficient numbers, and there’s no other groups with such a goal to put their homeland back together again. We do. Those numbers will make it possible.”

Gutiérrez is set to speak at CSUMB on “Protecting Civil Rights and Well-being by Building Identity,” as part of Hispanic Heritage Month.

University officials refused to say whether Gutiérrez — considering his earlier remarks — was the best person to represent its “diversity” series. Officials also refused to

disclose how much Gutiérrez will be paid for his appearance, only that it is being funded by “donations” and is “not costly at all.”

CSUMB spokesman Walter Ryce said one person in the university’s health sciences and human services department decided Gutiérrez should be a guest because he wrote a book about César Chávez and would complement the appearance at the event by Eduardo Chávez, Chávez’s grandson.



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Feds cancel plan for spy tower

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

A PLAN to install an 80-foot-high surveillance tower to help catch drug smugglers off the coast of Big Sur was abandoned this week by a federal agency.

"This morning, the United States Customs and Border Protection agency withdrew its permit application for deployment of a portable temporary tower surveillance system at Lucia Ranch," California Coastal Commission official Larry Simon said Monday.

As a result, an agenda item about it, which was scheduled for the next coastal commission meeting, has been withdrawn.

The withdrawal of the application for the tower will come as welcome news for many in Big Sur. A number of locals have

spoken out against the tower, and the two planning commissioners who represent Big Sur, Martha Diehl and Kate Daniels, suggested that locals should have a say in any discussion about it.

The federal agency, which didn't need local approval, made a presentation on the tower at a South Coast Land Use Advisory Committee meeting May 12. Officials dispelled concerns that the tower would harm nearby residents, and they said it would emit a level of radiation similar to a boat's radar. They also insisted the tower would not be used to spy on residents, although they conceded the tower would have the technology to do so.

Residents also spoke out against the im-

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Chamber, CRA candidate forums

By MARY SCHLEY

LIKE MANY other traditions, the decades-old practice of gathering in a large room to question candidates for elected office has been forced into a virtual realm, thanks to the coronavirus pandemic. On Sept. 24, the Carmel Chamber of Commerce will hold its voter forum from 6 to 7:30 p.m. via Zoom, and the following Thursday, the Carmel Residents Association will do the same, starting at 7 p.m.

If the past is any guide, the chamber forum will focus more on business-related issues, while the CRA's Q&A will be centered more around the concerns of some of the people who live in town.

The CRA said its "must-see event for all residents to get to know the 2020 candi-

dates for our city council and mayor" will be moderated by former Mayor Ken White, who will take over following a welcome by new board President Fred Bologna.

Incumbent Mayor Dave Potter and challenger Judy Refuerzo are expected to participate, as are incumbent councilman Bobby Richards and council candidates Karen Ferlito, Mo Massoudi and Graeme Robertson. Voters will elect their mayor and two council people Nov. 3.

The chamber has already prepared the questions for its forum, but anyone interested in submitting a question for the CRA forum can email it to info@carmelresidents.org.

To participate in the Oct. 1 CRA forum,

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Feds to move forward with plan to use herbicides on public land

By CHRIS COUNTS

IN THE competition for which one people hate more, herbicides and invasive plants appear to be running neck and neck in Big Sur, where the feds want to use the former to kill the latter on public land.

This week, the United States Forest Service announced that it has approved a plan to use a variety of techniques — including herbicides — to remove nonnative plants

from several areas along the coast in Big Sur where French broom, Spanish broom, cape ivy, pampas grass and others exotic plants outcompete the far more diverse native vegetation. The exotics also increase the fire risk.

Forest supervisor Kevin Elliott signed off on the environmental review Sept. 10. “We’ve made a decision to move forward,” Kyle Kimports of the United States Forest Service told The Pine Cone. “Our

approach with this project is to use chemicals responsibly and in a targeted manner — there will be no aerial spraying.”

Inundated with invaders

Kimports said the targeted areas along the coast are not only inundated with non-native plants, but it’s easier to get to them, and consequently, remove them. “It’s harder and more expensive to get into the backcountry,” he explained.

Besides employing herbicides, the work will utilize hand tools and mowing. Kimports said his agency will work with the

United States Fish & Wildlife agency to assure local fauna isn’t harmed.

Before making the decision to move forward with the work, the forest service received comments from dozens of individuals, groups and agencies. Many expressed worries about the impact herbicides would have on the environment, while others insisted herbicides are relatively benign and the only way to realistically address the problem.

Some, meanwhile, suggested the influx of invasive plants is so extensive that attempts to stop it are futile.

Volunteers battle Big Sur graffiti

By CHRIS COUNTS

WHILE COUNTLESS artists use paint to capture nature’s beauty, a handful of local volunteers seek to preserve that same beauty by removing paint.

The day after Labor Day, residents Austin Keegan and Cara Weston could be found on Garrapata State Beach in Big Sur removing graffiti from rocks.

According to Keegan — who leads a loose-knit group of volunteers who call themselves Friends of Garrapata — he received a call from Weston in late August alerting him to a spate of graffiti that recently appeared on rocks adjacent to the popular beach. A picturesque cave was particularly hard hit. “I can’t believe all this graffiti,” she told Keegan.

A short time later, Keegan and a fellow volunteer, David Thiermann, visited the site and confirmed the vandalism.

“We went down to the cave, and there was a lot of vandalism,” he told The Pine Cone. “There was way more than I’d ever seen.”

Keegan said he was particularly disgusted to see graffiti in the cave, which is a bit of landmark along the beach.

“I was shocked,” he said. “That place is sacred — it’s like putting graffiti on a monastery.”

While Keegan and Weston were unable to remove the graffiti in the cave due to the dangers of the incoming tide, they were able to clean up another spot where people have long defaced rocks that provide a perfect wind break for a post-sunset beach party. “We’ve removed graffiti from that spot five times in the last decade,” he noted.

ASAP

Keegan said it is essential to remove graffiti as soon as possible. If not, more taggers will be emboldened “You have to get rid of it right away or it spreads,” he suggested.

To remove the graffiti from rocks, the volunteers use an assortment of wire brushes and sanders, along with a biodegradable liquid. Because graffiti can be applied to so many different kinds of surfaces, a variety of techniques are needed to get rid of it. “I use whatever it takes to remove it,” added Keegan, who also removed graffiti from nearby trash cans and a call box.

Sean James of California State Parks said state law forbids the destruction, disturbance, mutilation or removal of “earth, sand, gravel, oil, minerals, rocks, paleontological features, or features of a cave.”

Fines and costs can be as high as \$480 for each incident, he also said.

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Majority of candidates put faith in reclaimed water

By MARY SCHLEY

WITH CAL Am's abrupt withdrawal of the application for its long-planned Marina desalination plant this week, some candidates for office in Carmel celebrated while expressing their faith in the Pure Water Monterey recycled water project, and others expressed confidence the desal plan is not dead and still hold out hope both options will help remedy the decades-old regulatory drought on the Monterey Peninsula.

"I was so excited yesterday when Cal Am pulled its desal permit," mayoral candidate Judy Refuerzo, a supporter of a public takeover of the water utility, said Thursday. "Of course, the answer is the expansion of Pure Water Monterey," the project run by the local wastewater district and the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District that treats runoff, sewage and other wastewater to drinkable levels and then pumps it into underground aquifers for later distribution via the Cal Am system. While some officials have touted an expansion of the reclamation project to produce an adequate water supply and say it can be built quickly, it does not yet have permits and must still undergo environmental review.

"We are on track to reduce our reliance on the Carmel River" for water by the end of next year — a deadline imposed by the state — Refuerzo said, solely through ongoing conservation and the use of reclaimed water. "The expansion could be constructed in approximately 20 months. This is a win for the Monterey Peninsula."

'Prove it'

Mayor Dave Potter, who is running for reelection, said the Pure Water Monterey project has always been intended as a backup to a larger desalination plant, and now, with more lengthy delays for desal ahead, the proponents and

operators will need to prove it works. That might be a challenge, he said, noting that some of the wells for the plant's first phase ended up needing immediate repairs.

"The first phase has permits, but the second phase doesn't even have a certified EIR," he added, and there's also debate over whether water from the Salinas Valley will be available for reclamation.

"If it's a viable source, now it's time to prove whether it is or isn't," Potter said. "Go ahead, show us what you've got."

'Surprised'

Council candidate Karen Ferlito was surprised by Cal Am's move and said the company apparently recognized "many of the problems associated with their project and will likely choose to resubmit a revised plan in the future." The proposed desal project had undergone extensive environmental review and received approvals from two state agencies, but was set to face a rough

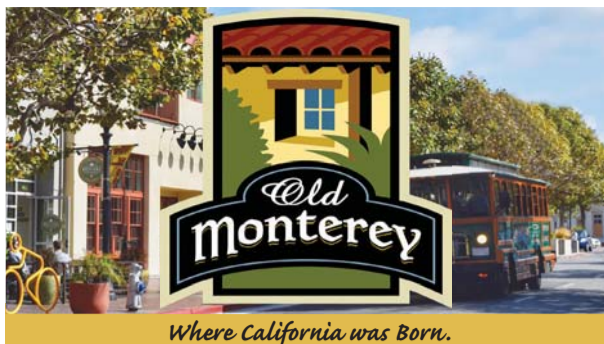
go before the California Coastal Commission this week.

Ferlito said she also believes the reclamation project will produce enough drinking water for the Peninsula on its own, and that the expansion "is the preferable, least environmentally damaging alternative," for eliminating illegal pumping from Carmel River.

"It is also the fastest supply available, the least costly and the most equitable," she said, and it's estimated to "meet the water needs for at least the next few decades" and will satisfy the state's demand that Cal Am cease over-pumping from the Carmel River by the end of next year.

Graeme Robertson, who is also running for council, is putting his faith in both projects. "I understand that Cal Am pulled its desal permit so it could continue to work

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REWARD FOR VANDAL WHO CUT TREES FOR MONARCH BUTTERFLY HABITAT

By KELLY NIX

THE PACIFIC Grove Police Department is trying find the person who chopped down four 20-foot eucalyptus

trees which were probably going to be used by migrating monarch butterflies this fall and winter.

For years, resident Bob Pacelli and other volunteers have put dozens of trees in the city's Monarch Grove Sanctuary so the thousands of butterflies who spend the winter there have safe places to cluster. He had planned to move four boxed red gum eucalyptus trees to the sanctuary before the insects start arriving in October.

"I had a spot for the trees," Pacelli told The Pine Cone Tuesday afternoon.

But someone got to the eucalyptus — which were stored outside the P.G. adult school — before he could put them in the sanctuary. A vandal, Pacelli said, used a portable electric saw to chop them down sometime during last weekend.

"It's real disheartening," he said.

Monarchs fly thousands of miles from Canada to overwinter in Pacific Grove and other areas. They cluster by the thousands in trees, and Pacelli and others say the trees he's planted have dramatically increased the monarchs' population numbers — which can fluctuate wildly in Pacific Grove from year to year.

Police Cmdr. Rory Lakind told The Pine Cone the agency is investigating the vandalism. If the perpetrator is caught, he could be charged with vandalism. The trees were reported to be worth \$3,000.

"The problem is not so much what the trees were worth, they were super hard to find," Pacelli said.

A \$700 reward is being offered for the person who identifies whoever is responsible for chopping down the trees, he said. Contact PGPD at (831) 648-3143.

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Firefighters dig in against Dolan Fire, prepare for wind shift, high temps

■ No bodies found despite alleged arsonist's claim

By CHRIS COUNTS

A MONTH after the Dolan Fire was started by an alleged arsonist, it continues to spread to the north, east and south as firefighters focus their work on beefing up containment lines and protecting homes — and prepare for an anticipated shift in the wind.

The man who is suspected of starting the fire — Ivan Geronimo Gomez, 30, of Fresno — is awaiting trial. When he was arrested Aug. 18, he said he had murdered

five people and burned their bodies. But this week, a spokesman for the county's sheriff's office, Derrel Simpson, said deputies visited the site, and failed to find any evidence supporting Gomez' claim.

"We searched the area, but no bodies were located," Simpson reported.

Gomez remains jailed on felony arson charges, with his bail set at \$2 million.

Nineteen homes lost

By Thursday, the blaze had devoured more than 125,000 acres and was considered 40 percent contained. Nearly 800 firefighters were on scene. Nineteen homes have so far been lost in the blaze, while another four have been damaged.

At the southern edge of the fire, firefighters were focused on backfiring operations. Besides using ground crews to start those fires, the effort was aided by the use of heli-torches, which are barrels of fuel suspended on cables and carried by helicopters. The technology is often used on steep and inaccessible terrain.

Fire officials were hoping to get the backburning done before a shift in the wind arrived. A spot fire escaped over the line Wednesday, but two helicopters quickly dropped water on it to extinguish the threat. "Hopefully, we'll have the south end locked up by the end of the shift today," fire official Barry Shullanberger said Thursday.

Closer to the coast, where the fire now poses less of a threat, backburns are underway to connect fire lines to Highway 1.

Shullanberger said "everything is looking pretty good" in the battle against the fire in the Arroyo Seco area. Fire lines that were cut along ridge tops during the 2016 Soberanes Fire are being reopened to aid the fight.

Also, helicopters are being used to drop water on the fire's advance to slow its spread so firefighters have more time to prepare control lines and beef up structure

protection. "We have a solid plan in place," he added

The wind, which can dramatically change a fire's behavior, is expected to shift from southerly to northerly Thursday.

"A forecasted high pressure weather system will begin moving through the fire area this afternoon and evening, bringing hotter temperatures to the eastern portion of the fire area which will increase fire behavior," fire officials reported. "Hot and dry conditions will persist inland and on the east side of the fire area."

Thankfully, the winds are expected to be mild, but they could still influence the fire's behavior. "It's not a hard wind, but it's something we need to pay attention to," Shullanberger added.

With the fire moving away from the coast, the incident command post has relocated to King City.

The entire Los Padres National Forest remains closed, along with Nacimiento-Fergusson Road and Highway 1 from the New Camaldolese Hermitage to Gorda — a distance of more than 12 miles. But the scenic route is open to the north, and Point Lobos State Natural Reserve, Garrapata State Park and Andrew Molera State Park reopened this week.

Lions Club BBQ to help fire victims

By MARY SCHLEY

A HALF-DOZEN Lions Clubs from the Monterey Peninsula and beyond are banding together to host their Tri Tip Fundraiser for Fire Victims Sept. 26.

For a suggested donation of \$20 per meal — though more would be "greatly appreciated" — supporters will get tri-tip, garlic bread (from a secret family recipe), chips, salad, fruit and dessert. All of

the proceeds will benefit the Community Fund for Carmel Valley to help those who lost their homes or suffered other damage during the recent fire, which burned just over 6,900 acres and destroyed 73 structures, including many homes in the Sky Ranch and Trampa Canyon neighborhoods. Administered by the Community Foundation for Monterey County, the Car-

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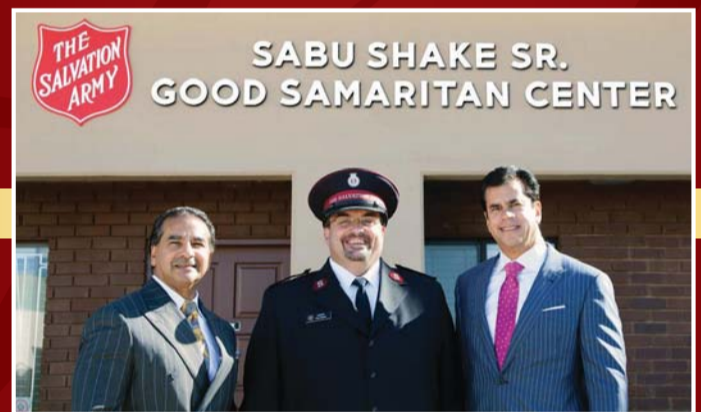
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POLICE LOG

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Pacific Grove: Feeding wildlife on Wood Street.

Pacific Grove: Hit-and-run on Forest Lodge Road. No suspect information.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject reported a business on San Carlos north of Seventh deposited a check for merchandise, and he hadn't received anything in 10 months. The business owner stated the customer's order was back ordered due to Covid-19 shutdowns.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject found a wallet at Mission and 10th and turned it in.

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

Pacific Grove: Front and rear license plates and hubcaps removed from a vehicle parked on 15th Street.

Pacific Grove: Verbal argument on Lighthouse.

Pacific Grove: A clutch wallet was found in a parking lot on Lighthouse Avenue. Owner information is not known, so the item will be held for safekeeping.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found purse at San

Carlos and Fourth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Unlawful possession of prescription medication at San Carlos and Fourth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person reported losing his cell phone at the beach restrooms at Del Mar.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Tree limb from a city-owned tree at San Antonio and 10th fell on a home. No damage found, and the property owners were notified via the city forester.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Passerby found a wallet on the sidewalk at Lincoln and Ocean. Turned it in to an officer.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Hit-and-run to a parked vehicle on Seventh Avenue. No suspect information.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury accident on Sixth Avenue involving an emergency vehicle.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Domestic dispute at Ocean and Junipero. All parties left the area prior to the officer's arrival.

Pacific Grove: Theft of bag with medications inside on Ninth Street.

Pacific Grove: A vehicle was repossessed from a location on Central Avenue. Vehicle owner was aware of the repo.

Big Sur: Deputies were dispatched to the report of a dead body washed ashore in the Big Sur area.

Big Sur: Female Sycamore Canyon Road resident stated a male claiming to be a Census Bureau worker asked if he could come inside her residence.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A resident reported a mountain lion in the area of Mountain View and Mission Trail park where the lion quickly moved away from the person.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A female was reported to be missing from Dolores south of Ocean and later located at a local hotel. Information only.

BBQ

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mel Valley fund benefits "individuals and families affected by fires."

"The story of this fundraising effort begins with Tammi Lyon's desire to help her neighbors — and it has now blossomed into a region-wide effort, pulling in Lions in eight clubs from as far away Freedom and Salinas to join in this fundraiser," said Lion Kandace Hawkinson.

Lyon and several others in the local Carmel Mission Trail Lions Club had to evacuate during the fire but were fortunate enough to return to homes that remained intact, while some of their neighbors sadly were not.

"It is heartening to us that even Lions who have had to deal with other fires are helping with this effort to bring funds to lo-

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Counterfeit bill was passed by an unknown person at a business at Junipero and Sixth. Bill to be forwarded to the appropriate federal agency for action.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Victim reported a window to her car was broken and several personal items were taken from her car while it was parked at Dolores and Fifth.

Pacific Grove: Possible suicide attempt on Shafter.

cal Carmel Valley families in need," Hawkinson said, adding that Carmel Valley Kiwanis Club members who recently hosted a barbecue fundraiser offered advice, and members of the Moose Lodge in Del Rey Oaks donated their space.

For the barbecue, Lyon, her parents Pam and Clyde Klaumann — who are longtime Lions — and other family members will pre-prepare the garlic bread using a "secret family recipe," Hawkinson said, while others will come together to cook the tri tip and pack everything up for people to take home.

To order, call Carmel Host Lion Nick Nicholson at (831) 601-1716, Carmel Mission Trail Lion Pam Klaumann at (831) 595-9752, or the Lions clubs in Freedom, Marina, Monterey or Seaside. Orders must be placed by Sept. 22 and will be available for pickup Sept. 26 between noon and 4 p.m. in the Monterey Moose Lodge at 555 Canyon del Rey.



Mary Constance D'Attilio
FEBRUARY 18, 1936 - JULY 27, 2020

MARY CONSTANCE D'ATTILIO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 27, 2020, AT HER HOME IN CARMEL. CONNIE WAS BORN AND RAISED IN KEARNY, NEW JERSEY, THE DAUGHTER OF SCOTTISH IMMIGRANTS AND WAS A DILIGENT AND PASSIONATE STUDENT FROM A YOUNG AGE. SHE WAS AMONG THE TOP IN HER CLASS, GRADUATING FROM ST. CECILIA HIGH SCHOOL AND LATER GAINING A NURSING DEGREE. CONNIE HAD EXEMPLARY SKILLS AS A NURSING SUPERVISOR AND EVENTUALLY BEGAN TEACHING NURSING STUDENTS AT ST. MICHAEL'S HOSPITAL IN NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, WHERE SHE FOUND NOT ONLY HER PASSION FOR MEDICINE, BUT THE LOVE OF HER LIFE, WHO SHE EVENTUALLY MOVED ACROSS THE COUNTRY WITH TO BEGIN A NEW LIFE IN CARMEL, CALIFORNIA IN 1968. CONNIE WAS AN INTEGRAL PART OF HER HUSBAND'S OPHTHALMOLOGY PRACTICE FOR OVER 40 YEARS, WHERE SHE CONTINUED TO PRACTICE NURSING, SURGICAL ASSISTING, OFFICE MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORTING THE DAILY RUNNING OF HIS PRACTICE UNTIL THEIR RETIREMENT IN 2014. PATIENTS AND STAFF REMEMBER HER TIRELESS DEDICATION FOR EXEMPLARY CARE, LEADERSHIP AND BEAUTIFUL ROSES FROM HER GARDEN THAT WOULD ADORN THE WAITING ROOM.

WHEN SHE WAS NOT WORKING ALONGSIDE HER HUSBAND, SHE WAS BUSY RAISING FIVE CHILDREN, VOLUNTEERING THROUGH VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDING THE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF THE MONTEREY COUNTY, GARDENING, PLAYING TENNIS AND SPENDING TIME IN IDAHO WHERE SHE FOUND JOY IN ICE DANCING AND SPENDING THE SUMMERS WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY. AFTER RETIREMENT, SHE BECAME AN AVID BRIDGE PLAYER AND FOUND A NEW CHALLENGE AND DEAR GROUP OF FRIENDS THROUGH THE CARMEL FOUNDATION. CONNIE IS PREDECEASED BY HER DAUGHTER BEVERLY JEAN, HER SON MATTHEW PAUL, HUSBAND JOHN JOSEPH AND IS SURVIVED BY HER THREE CHILDREN, EIGHT GRANDCHILDREN, BROTHER AND SISTER-IN-LAW. SHE WILL BE DEARLY MISSED AND REMEMBERED IN THE HEARTS OF THOSE THAT KNEW HER AS A DEDICATED PARTNER, FIERCELY STRONG AND LOVING MOTHER, ADORING GRAN AND BRILLIANT FRIEND.

WILLIAM B. ZELENY

3/14/1934 ❖ 9/11/2020

Professor, pilot, photographer, painter, William B. Zeleny lived his life his way and departed on his terms, outdoors just before dawn, the crickets chirping under the starshine in his beautiful lanai, with his loved ones by his side.

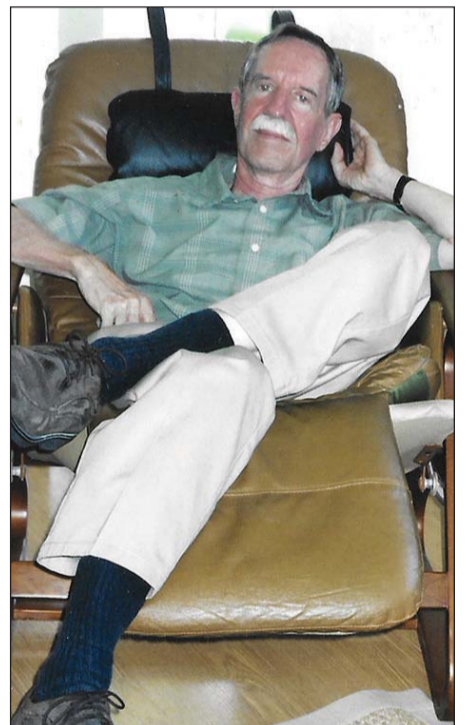
Born in Minneapolis in 1934, Bill grew up in Maryland and obtained his Ph.D. in physics from Syracuse University in 1960, researching theoretical work in quantum field theory and elementary particles. After two years lecturing at the University of Sydney, Australia, Bill moved to the Monterey Peninsula and taught physics at the Naval Postgraduate School until his retirement in 1998.

Though many knew the brilliant physics professor, those closest to him saw the family man, the artist, the man who followed his passions. An accomplished award-winning landscape photographer for much of his adult life, he retired to Florida to become a Life Master in bridge, and he became a prolific painter after only a few lessons and years of practice from the age of 77 onward.

Although Bill certainly liked his peace and quiet and privacy, like the fine wines he loved, he grew even better with age. His heart opened more and more throughout the years to embrace and support so many others in his close circle of family and friends.

He is survived by his wife Mayra, his children, Tom, Indi, Luis, Maria, and Jose, nine grandchildren, and his sister Nancy.

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VIRUS

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Looking back a couple months, Moreno said the number of positive cases rose until the third week of July when it dipped and the case number dropped to 669 for the week.

In the last week of July, though, positive cases in the county surged to 804 before beginning a steady decline.

"The overall curve had increased, and now we're seen a decline in the number of cases," he said. "We've had five weeks of declining cases in Monterey County."

Moreno said he believes the decline "could represent, in part, a decrease in transmission" in the county.

"It's good for us, it's good for our businesses and our kids who want to go back to school," said Moreno, who doesn't often comment on the effects of the lockdown on the business sector. "So this is a trend in a favorable direction for Monterey County."

Lower hospitalization rate

The number of people who have had to be hospitalized in the county for the virus has been more of a roller coaster ride, according to a chart Moreno showed supervisors.

Daily hospitalizations steadily increased from April until the last week of June, when there was a dramatic spike in those who needed medical treatment.

"We were hovering around 48 to 50 patients for several weeks there," he said.

After peaking in the last week of August, hospitalizations have mostly been declining, which Moreno attributed to statewide restrictions on indoor dining and personal services.

"We subsequently see that there has been a decrease in the number of people who are in the hospital on any given day for several weeks now," Moreno said. "This is also a favorable trend we're seeing."

The number of available ICU beds at the county's four hospitals had been good until the week of Aug. 10-15, when it declined to only 10 percent. While that figure has fluctuated since then, the curve is headed in a favorable

direction. On Sept. 14, about 65 percent of the county's ICU beds were unoccupied.

"That's a good place to be during a pandemic, so if there is a surge that requires ICU or hospitalization, we should be able to take care of our own in Monterey County," he said.

ty," he said.

On Thursday, Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula reported it had four inpatients, Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital reported 15, and Natividad Medical Center said it had 11.

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Margaret Ann ('Peggy') Shirrel, Ph.D.

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Margaret (Peggy) Shirrel dedicated her life to bettering the world around her. Peggy was born and raised in Philadelphia, PA, and moved to Monterey County in 1972. She was a pioneer who received her PhD in Speech Pathology and Audiology from San Jose State and worked with schools, businesses, and finally, in her own practice, the Speech and Language Learning Institute of Monterey County.



Peggy was also active in our community, serving in both elected and appointed positions. Peggy's service as a Commissioner at the Moss Landing Harbor District Board of Commissioners was so valued that the District's Board Room is named in her honor. Peggy also Chaired or sat on the boards of the CA Special District Authority, MRWPCA, Monterey County Republican Party, Black American's Political Action Committee, and many more organizations. Among her many accolades, Peggy was honored by the 2008 U.S. Presidential Commission, named Woman of the Year from Soroptimist International, and named Citizen of the Year by the Moss Landing Chamber of Commerce.

Peggy was also passionately dedicated to helping people with special needs. Through her daughter, Theresa, Peggy saw the challenges faced by those with special needs. Peggy was determined to help in the best way she knew how: serving on Boards to promote the welfare of this vulnerable population. She was a Member of the CA Assn. for Retarded Children, Board, and a volunteer with the Special Olympics.

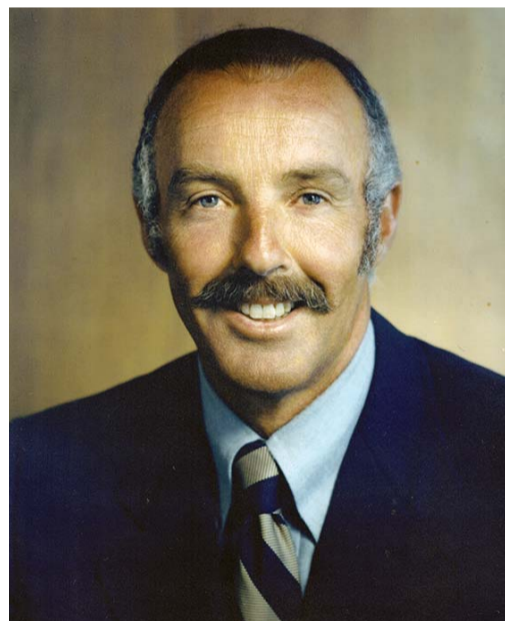
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Peggy's large dining room table was often packed. During the holidays, you could find family, friends, students, and almost anybody that didn't have family nearby. Peggy hosted countless international students from the Naval Postgraduate School, held meetings for Monterey MENSA (of which she was a member), and played harp at events throughout the county.

Peggy is survived by her children Edward King (Julie), Theresa King, Scott King (Teresa), grandchildren Melissa King (Yvonne), Jon King (Jocelyn), Kaelyn King, Casey King, great-granddaughter Teagyn Hayes, Peggy's sister Rosalie Roedell, and numerous step-relatives through marriage, cousins, nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her husband Leonard Shirrel, parents George and Margaret Dunn, and four siblings.

A celebration of life will take place on October 10, 2020 at 11 a.m., in the outside courtyard of Shoreline Community Church, 2500 Garden Road, Monterey. Social distancing observed. Please RSVP to <https://CelebratePeggyShirrel.app.RSVPify.com>. (RSVP is not required, but helpful for social distance planning.)

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Peggy's honor to the [Kinship Center](#).



KENNETH "KEN" GORDON GREEN
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Kenneth "Ken" Gordon Green passed away peacefully on September 6th, 2020 in Carmel, CA. He was an artist, a trainer, a top athlete, and a charming curmudgeon. Born in Oakland in 1928, he worked through a myriad of careers bringing him to Monterey in the 1950s. He served at Fort Ord, attended MPC, San Jose State, and Stanford for a time. He spent much of his younger years pursuing weight training, diving, archery, beach volleyball, nice cars, and his fair share of trouble. In his later life he built burlwood furniture as Neanderthal Designs, won tennis tournaments throughout California, and regained his love of golf. In his 60s he returned to personal training where he applied a lifetime of experience to cajole, harass, and prod his clients into a fitter, healthier life; a mission he maintained into his 80s. In 1966 he married the woman he would spend the next 51 years with - Elaine Jacobs Green, who preceded him in death in 2017. He will be remembered fondly by his surviving family and friends as the larger than life man he was. The family would like to thank Agape of Carmel and VNA/Hospice of Monterey for their compassionate care. In lieu of flowers - in his honor, call a line shot "out!", throw a racket, give yourself a mulligan, raise a beer, hug your dog, embellish a story, and do some push-ups. Due to COVID-19 his family is delaying a memorial until such a time as it is safe to gather and share those "Ken stories."



Condolences may be written to the family at www.bermudezfamilyfunerals.com



Karma Crofts Criddle

1928 ❖ 2020

Karma Crofts Criddle, age 92, died peacefully after a brief illness on September 8, 2020, in Monterey, California. She is survived by her six children, John Linden Criddle (Darla) of Medford, Oregon, Laren Jay Criddle (Vicki) of Cupertino, California, Karel Gundlach (Ron) of Sturgis, Michigan, Kevin Charles Criddle of Pleasanton, California, Allyn Wenzel (Phil) of Pebble Beach, California, Karmalee Jansky of Meilen, Switzerland; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Karma was born on August 8, 1928 in Cedar City, Utah, the youngest of eleven children born to John Edward and Mary Jane Hoyt Crofts. She grew up in the small town of Orderville, Utah, spending her days surrounded by her immediate and extended family. Summers were spent on the mountain at her father's sawmill. She graduated from Dixie College in St. George, Utah, and then Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, with a degree in Elementary Education in 1953. That same year, 1953, Karma met and married Jay Roscoe Criddle of Idaho Falls, Idaho. She taught for a few years in American Fork, Utah, before moving to Carmel, California in 1962 to raise her children with her husband. She spent several years as a stay-at-home mother before working as a teacher and then director at Sunset Preschool in Pacific Grove. She retired from teaching preschool in 1995 after 20 years of service to the community. She touched many lives in her role as teacher, friend and mother. Karma was very active in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, serving in many volunteer positions including as a missionary in the Northwestern States (1949-50), Sunday school and Primary teacher, Primary Pianist, Primary President, and in Relief Society Presidencies.

Karma was an avid reader and writer all her life. Prior to marriage, her ambition was to be a foreign news correspondent. She had a most retentive memory that she employed to play cards with her friends and grandchildren. She loved cooking, her specialties were cakes, bread and rolls, recipes that she passed on to her children and grandchildren for celebrating holidays, graduations, attending reunions and birthdays. Karma had a gift for recalling details and never forgot a face, recognizing former students as adults even upon chance encounters.

A special thank you to the staff at Carmel Hills Care Center, Dr. Susan Kubica, and Karma's close friends for taking such excellent care of her these past three and half years.

A virtual celebration of life can be attended at 4 p.m. PST on September 18, 2020 by emailing awenzel512@gmail.com for the Zoom link. In lieu of flowers, please donate to a charity of your choice. Interment and graveside services will be in Orderville, Utah, on September 26, 2020.

PLEDGE

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Buildings that were erected without permits will undergo a bit more scrutiny — and won't be eligible for fee waivers, though the money won't be due up front, as it normally would. Replacement structures would have to meet all regulatory requirements, but the county would still expedite their permits over applications for projects unrelated to fire damage.

"Fee waiver consideration should be reserved for those owners who have already been through the permit process or had legal non-conforming structures," Holm and his staff explained. "As always, county staff will work with owners of unpermitted structures to permit replacement of their residences, but such structures should be addressed in the context of the normal permit process, with the exception that we would expedite the permit process."

Temporary housing

In some cases, officials acknowledged, permits and plans might not exist for a building that was legal, because it was either built before permitting became typical in the 1950s or the documents were lost. "The county would determine if a damaged structure is legal," they noted in the recovery guidelines. "By standards of law and due process, the presumption is the structure is legal unless staff finds evidence the building was constructed without proper permits or approvals."

And, Holm said, the county has no interest in finger pointing.

"When we go out on these properties to help folks, we're not looking for violations or anything else that might be out there," he said. "We're just looking for what was damaged or destroyed, so we can help with that."

Because rebuilding takes time, especially in cases where the victims didn't have insurance, Holm suggested the fire recovery guidelines expire in five years but include a possible five-year extension if

needed.

"I lost my home and all my belongings in the Carmel Fire," said Maria Palazzolo, the only member of the public to comment at the hearing, and she encouraged the supervisors to approve the recovery plan.

"It's also imperative to address issues of debris removal, soils testing and erosion control on the properties that are affected by the fires before the rainy season starts," she said. And she pleaded with the board to allow victims to set up temporary housing on their properties "while we rebuild our homes that were destroyed in the fires."

"Where normally we wouldn't allow people to just pull up a trailer, in this case, we would, as long as the RV doesn't become the permanent housing," Holm assured her. People could also use garages, barns and other accessory structures that survived as temporary living quarters. "I'm sure there are a lot of people out there with creative minds, and we're here to help them."

Supervisor John Phillips favored the plan. "It's going to cost the county a couple million in not collecting the fees, but it's the right thing to do," he said.

The rest of the board agreed and approved the plan and guidelines.



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In addition to homes, all types of personal property were destroyed in the recent fire in Cachagua, including many cars.

TIMOTHY WILLIAM DUNCAN

Tim Duncan, a man of exceptional management and people skills died of natural causes on August 30, at his home in Winters, CA. He was 72.

Tim had two highly successful management careers. In the early 1970s He joined the Pennsylvania Ballet as administrator. By the mid '70s he had become Managing Director of Seattle's Pacific Northwest Ballet.

In 1980 he became the General Manager of the San Francisco Ballet Company. He became a trusted associate and close friend of legendary choreographer and SFB founder Lew Christiansen. Tim led the business side of the company during some of Christiansen's most successful seasons. It was also during this time that the San Francisco Ballet Association building on Franklin Street was completed. It was the first major facility built for an American ballet company and was instrumental in broadening the artistic horizon of the troupe.

Tim served on many arts boards including the San Francisco Arts Commission (appointed by Mayor Dianne Feinstein), Dance USA, and was on the National Endowment for the Arts grants panel. He also helped to manage the hundreds of choreographed works of Lew Christiansen's vast portfolio.

In 1986, he moved on to become CEO of the Cincinnati Ballet, and then in 1989 became CEO of the Miami City Ballet. Under his watch the MCB budget doubled in size and a Nutcracker was premiered.

In 1992, Tim retired from the world of dance management, and began his second career as a nonprofit manager with the American Red Cross in Merced, CA. In 1995 He moved to Santa Rosa. Tim led a resurgent Sonoma County Chapter of the American Red Cross virtually from the moment he arrived in town to be its CEO, just weeks before the devastating 1995/1996 Russian River floods. During his 10 years in Santa Rosa, he oversaw the Chapter's rebuilding of its services, its volunteer corps, its financial stability, and its volunteer Board leadership, not to mention its acquisition of and move to a new headquarters building. It was during this time that he met and married Gloria Oster, a Santa Rosa native.

Tim was an enthusiastic member of the Leadership Santa Rosa program. He touched many lives during his 10 years in town: community leaders, donors, people struggling during disasters, and leaders of other nonprofits. He was a rare executive who had an abiding personal interest in those he worked with, in addition to his responsibilities to the larger community.

He left Santa Rosa when he was promoted to Chief Development Officer of the newly created Pacific Region of the Red Cross, which involved a move to the Sacramento area, where he went on to upgrade staffing, services, and processes which stabilized and streamlined chapter operations throughout the western states.

Tim and Gloria moved to Monterey County, where Tim ended his nonprofit career as CEO of the Red Cross Monterey Bay Chapter in Carmel. He lost his beloved wife Gloria to cancer in 2013, whereupon he returned to Winters, where they had lived during the Sacramento years. Recently, he had become involved with the Winters Participation Gallery mural city beautification project.

Tim is survived by his brother Terrance Duncan (Antone), sisters Ruth Harris (Margaret Miller), Gail Casson (Paul), and Michelle Duncan, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

The family suggests donations in his memory to the Winters Participation Gallery, P.O. Box 1140, Winters, CA 95694, the American Red Cross, or the San Francisco Ballet.

A celebration of Tim's life will be held at a later date.



SHOOTING

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Office, Sampognaro “murdered Joseph Sampognaro Sr. with a handgun.”

In court Sept. 16, he requested a public defender and was represented by Alex Cardinale. The next hearing is set for Oct. 6.

Between the two of them, father and son have racked up just shy of 80 court cases over the years, from nearly 30 traffic tickets, to 14 separate felony cases, many of them involving multiple offenses, and more than 30 misdemeanor cases.

Most have involved drugs — principally the use, trafficking, possession and sale of heroin and meth — but others centered around theft, burglary, car theft, assault and battery, and numerous other crimes.

Guilty pleas

The younger Sampognaro’s felony case history goes back to at least 2007, when he was arrested for the transportation and sale of drugs. He admitted his guilt in early 2008. That year, he also admitted carrying a concealed knife and was ordered to stay away from another man, and in 2013, a first-degree burglary charge against him was dismissed, but he pleaded guilty to possession of stolen property.

Also in 2013, he pleaded guilty to transporting and selling drugs, and the following year, while felony charges of spousal battery and false imprisonment were dismissed, he admitted to assault with a deadly weapon likely to cause great injury.

In early 2017, he also pleaded guilty to stealing a car, and in March 2017, he admitted that he assaulted someone in a way that was likely to cause injury. Last year, a grand theft charge for stealing from his uncle, Paul Sampognaro — who also has an extensive criminal history — was dismissed, but he pleaded guilty to vehicle tampering, and in July 2019, drug trafficking and other charges against him were dismissed, but he admitted possessing drugs.

The most recent felony charges against

him, of course, involve his allegedly murdering his father.

Sampognaro’s misdemeanor cases, meanwhile, go back to at least summer 2009, when he pleaded guilty to fleeing from a peace officer and obstruction of justice, followed by numerous incidents of violation of probation, and cases involving public intoxication, DUI and driving on a suspended license, hit-and-run, and several drug charges. Numerous allegations have also been dismissed over the years, including assault and battery, possession of illegal knives and metal knuckles, and various drug-related offenses. Last month, he pleaded guilty to committing battery against another man and was given probation and jail time.

Criminal cases involving his father date back to at least 1995, when Sampognaro Sr. pleaded guilty to felony transporting drugs for sale — a charge he repeatedly faced in court over the years — as well as possessing stolen property. Past minor crimes include DUI, DUI causing injury, battery and numerous probation violations.

He had several cases pending against him when he died, including a November 2019 arrest for check fraud, a May 2020 case involving drugs and various traffic infractions, and a July 2020 arrest for possession of stolen property, heroin and needles, all of which he denied during an Aug. 28 arraignment. At the time he was shot and killed, Sampognaro Sr. was set to appear in court again on those cases Oct. 8.

While the elder Sampognaro’s address was listed in court records as Wainwright Street in Monterey, a number of Carmel Valley residents said he and other members of the family were living on the Laureles Grade property where he died. Many of them complained about ongoing criminal activity on the land near the summit, where a barn has reportedly been converted into small living spaces that are “illegal and unsafe,” as one woman described them. In June, the younger Joseph Sampognaro was arrested there with another member of the family, 22-year-old Mackenzie Sampognaro, on warrants and drug charges.

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MISSION

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the 22-acre compound over the years, from replacing the bells in the Basilica and undertaking major seismic and infrastructure work, to redoing the Quadrangle courtyard and fountain.

Removal of the crumbling adobe wall began Aug. 31, and crews then installed a temporary wall that will remain in place until the next round of renovations, which will include updating the Downie Museum and the forecourt of the Basilica. The foundation is raising money for that \$4 million project, according to Zelei, and has about \$670,000 to go, plus \$125,000 more to cover the emergency wall work. She said the project will “restore the 100-year-old Downie Museum adobe, double the museum space, reduce the steepness of the

forecourt leading to the Basilica, eliminate drainage and flooding issues, and provide ADA accessibility throughout the museum and courtyard.” The group hopes to have the work done in time to commemorate next year’s 250th anniversary of St. Junipero Serra’s founding of the mission in 1771.

Plans under review

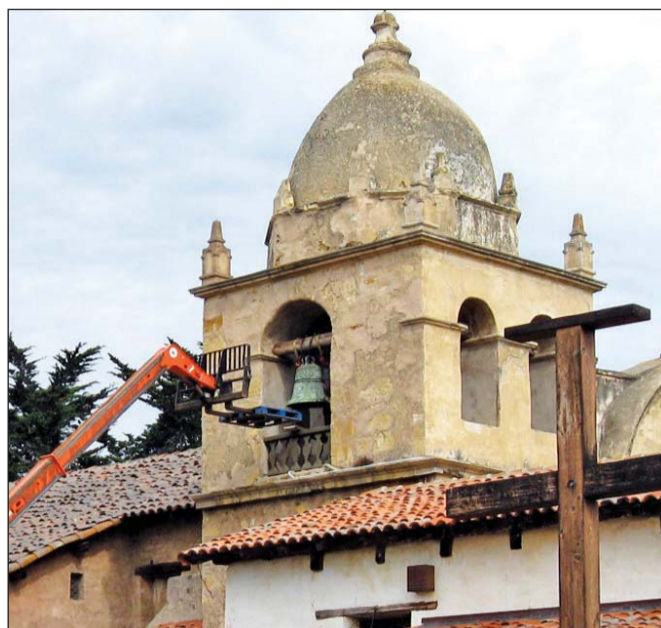
In August, the Carmel Planning Commission voted without discussion to renew permits the Mission received five years ago to build new ADA-compliant restrooms in the quadrangle. The city’s historic resources board and planning commission reviewed and approved the project in 2015 as part of the quadrangle overhaul, and utilities and the foundation were installed in 2016, according to acting planning director Marnie Waffle. “Due to a lack of funds, the restroom building was not completed, and the prior approval has since expired,” she told the planning commission last month,

when she recommended commissioners re-issue the permit, which they did.

And in June, the leadership at the mission submitted an application for the upcoming project, which calls for a “re-model of the existing restroom/museum building to remove non-ADA-compliant restrooms, add two new ADA-compliant (and non-gender) single-use restrooms, adjust grades to create accessible paths and replace existing paving in the forecourt with new paving to match existing Quadrangle paving,” as well as a “new gate in

the existing garden wall and a sloped walkway to the main parking lot, with an enhanced gathering area in front of the Museum Store,” which will remove two parking spaces. Those plans are under review.

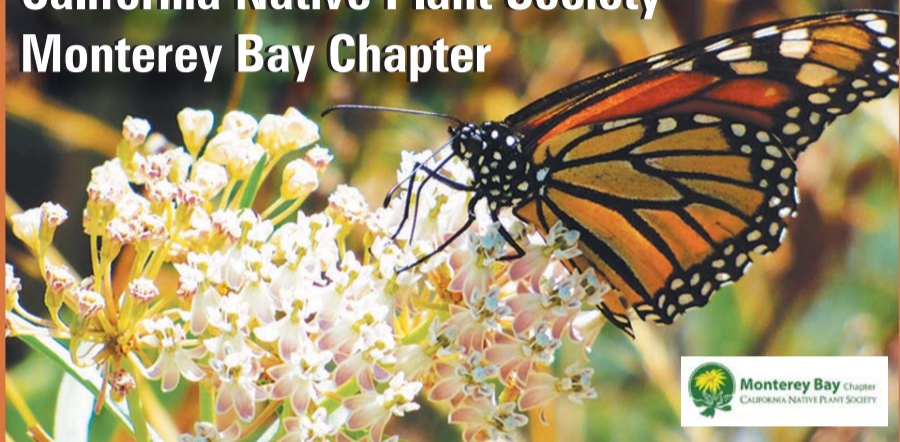
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More than a decade ago, a nonprofit helped replace the bells in the Carmel Mission Basilica. Since then, it’s raised millions of dollars to pay for seismic upgrades, infrastructure and other renovations. A new project is in the works.

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the fourth option, said he did so to help ease the city's debt burden over the next few years, considering taxpayers are also on the hook for a huge amount of pension debt, some of which is also funded by bonds.

"I'm willing to push the payments out on this refunding so the city's debt service is a little bit more stable," he explained.

Councilwoman Carrie Theis said the uncertainty of the next few years, revenue wise, drove her preference for options with more up-front savings. "Making those payments less in the next two or three years definitely intrigues me," she said, and councilwoman Jan Reimers and Mayor Dave Potter agreed.

Councilman Bobby Richards, however, pointed to the fact the general fund has a large unused cash balance — more than \$7 million — and preferred Option 1 because it would cost less in the long run. The cash

in the general fund could be used if necessary, he noted.

"I'm aware that we don't know what's coming and we do have to watch our pennies very closely right now," he said, but long-term savings outweighed uncertainty for him.

The rest of the council was more com-

GAVEL

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fortable with reducing debt payments in the near term in exchange for paying more in the end, and Potter made the motion to approve the fourth option, which passed 4-1, with Richards dissenting.

Strong ratings

A little over a week after the vote, in response to a request from Rerig and his staff, S&P Global Ratings analyzed the city's finances and the proposed 2020 Sunset Center bonds, bestowing an AA+ rating on the bonds and reiterating the city's strong AAA long-term rating.

Because the city won't "provide a debt service reserve fund for the series 2020 bonds," S&P explained, "we have assigned

ratings to the lease revenue bonds one notch below the city's general creditworthiness based on the risk of non-appropriation."

But the agency restated the city's AAA long-term credit rating, which it based on the "residents' extraordinary wealth and income levels," strong property tax revenues and overall economy, significant cash holdings, strong management and good financial policies, and "budgetary flexibility," among other factors.

Rerig said the high ratings are worthy of celebrating, and they'll no doubt figure in when he and other city officials meet with their consultants to discuss bond pricing next week.

TOWER

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pact that tower would have on the viewshed.

At the May hearing, a computer simulation showed the tower would be visible from at least four properties along the coast and from two sites along Highway 1.

The tower's intent would have been to identify, and ultimately deter, illegal coastal landings in Big Sur, where smugglers from Mexico have been caught using pang-a boats to bring in illicit cargo. The tower's radar could have detected boats from as far away as 25 miles.

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DESAL

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sible while ensuring our customers have an adequate water supply," he said.

Comments from the public to the coastal commission regarding the proposal will be saved as part of the official record for the project's application, Cal Am said.

Is a deal possible?

Cal Am spokeswoman Catherine Stedman said Wednesday evening that the company has previously talked to Marina officials about "ways they could receive water from the project or own part of the infrastructure."

"Certainly all of that remains on the table," Stedman told The Pine Cone. "Mainly, we want to listen to their ideas about how this project could be modified to meet their concerns."

In withdrawing the application, Stedman said Cal Am did not have a "comfort level going forward, knowing a denial would add at least 10 years to the effort of solving the area's water issues."

Just how receptive Marina will be is unclear, though. Marina Mayor Bruce Delgado Wednesday called the project "fatally flawed," and he pointed to myriad environmental concerns.

Asked what concessions by Cal Am might make the desal plant attractive, Delgado only pointed to the Pure Water Monterey wastewater reclamation project, which he called the "superior alternative" to the desal plant, implying he doesn't want the desal plant at all.

"Why isn't Cal Am behind that?" he asked The Pine Cone.

Cal Am has said repeatedly that Pure Water Monterey wouldn't provide enough water for the Peninsula's needs.

In a press release not long after Cal Am's announcement, the City of Marina didn't suggest it was open for negotiation, either.

"Any approval of Cal Am's project would require an override of Coastal Act and Marina Local Coastal Program policies, and such an override requires a finding that

there is no feasible alternative, that the project is needed for the public welfare, and that environmental effects are mitigated to the maximum extent feasible," the statement said. "Cal Am's project did not meet any of those criteria."

As far as a timeline, Stedman said Cal Am's hope is the proposal could be heard by the coastal commission in a couple of months, although it's not clear precisely when that will happen. She said the company doesn't intend the process to last for "years."

Once Cal Am gets approval, Stedman said the company would be "on the fast track to start construction."

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District general manager Dave Stoldt wasn't surprised Cal Am withdrew its application, and told The Pine Cone it "was always a 'count the votes' effort" — referring to how coastal commissioners were likely to decide.

"Perhaps it is time to take a deep breath, put ratepayers ahead of the company, and rethink what it will take to deliver sufficient, safe, reliable and affordable water to folks on the Monterey Peninsula," Stoldt said.

Cal Am's application withdrawal won't affect the water district's ongoing efforts to take over Cal Am and make it a government agency.

"It actually makes no difference on the buyout analysis," he said.

No justice, no water

The coastal commission staff report cited significant Coastal Act and other concerns behind its recommendation for a "no" vote, including the possibility that erosion would endanger the desal project's wells, harm environmentally sensitive habitat and impact Marina's aquifer and groundwater supplies. The report also indicated there was no evidence Marina's groundwater would be tainted, however.

It also referenced "environmental justice" — a new concept the coastal commission can employ to stop development projects.

In Cal Am's case, the argument is that Marina would be burdened with adverse coastal impacts from the desal project while not getting any benefits.

Apart from providing a drought-free water supply to the Monterey Peninsula, Cal Am's desal plant would pro-

vide water to Castroville, a city with a majority Hispanic population and significantly more poverty and lower median income than Marina, where the median home price over the last 30 days was \$757,566.

Still, the coastal commission found the benefit to Castroville would not offset impacts on the other communities.

"In fact, staff found that there were seven times as many individuals in Marina and in Cal Am's service area that would be burdened by the desalination facility as those in Castroville that would benefit — based on a federal low-income threshold," the staff report claimed.

Cal Am is under orders by the state water board to stop pumping most of its water from the Carmel River because of the negative impacts to the steelhead trout and red-legged frog that live there. The desal plant would solve that problem.

And although the coastal commission staff is opposed to the project now, it had blessed Cal Am's proposal to use slant wells to draw seawater. The wells would be located 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.

LIONS

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The lions were photographed strolling along the Moss Cove Trail. "This trail has been closed since 2018, and I really wanted to see how animals were using it," she explained.

According to Franklin, the lions appear to be headed for Hudson Meadow, which lies between the center of the reserve and Monastery Beach. She called the meadow "great cat habitat" because it has "tall exotic grasses, good sources of food — deer and small mammals — occasional pines for cover, and no humans."

Locals or tourists?

Franklin offers three possible explanations for what the lions were doing inside the reserve at 2:30 a.m. when their images were caught by a wildlife camera. "They could be inhabitants of Palo Corona Regional Park, and Point Lobos is in their home range," she suggested. "They could be disoriented from the fires and were perhaps pushed out of their home range. Or they are making use of the area since Point Lobos has been closed to the public because of the Big Sur fire."

But Franklin doesn't believe the big cats spend much time in the reserve. She hasn't seen evidence of them since, and she suspects they were drawn to the reserve due to its temporary lack of human visitors.

"I would be surprised if this family spent a ton of time at Point Lobos," she added. "An adult lion needs to feed on about one deer per week. We've got a good population of deer at Point Lobos, but three deer per week for this lion family isn't super sustainable, and I bet the lions know that."

Franklin is a graduate student studying environmental science at Cal State University Monterey Bay.

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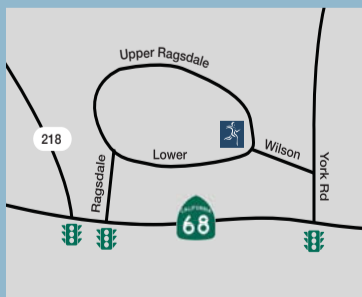
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FAITH

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with the stakeholders in Marina to address their issues,” he said. “I think we have two solutions: Pure Water Monterey’s reclamation project and Cal Am’s desal plant. One can supplement the other for the benefit of the community, along with meeting the strict mandatory cuts in water use. Cal Am and Pure Water Monterey should work together to create a solution so we don’t rely on just one water source.”

‘Back to square one’

Council candidate Mo Massoudi said the utility pulling its desal application puts the Peninsula “back to square one,” and while Pure Water Monterey “is a great and eco-friendly alternative” that should be invested in, additional water conservation is also key.

“We should definitely invest in water-conserving plumbing fixtures and try to implement such new technologies,” he said.

Massoudi acknowledged that regulations already require replacement of high-flow fixtures at certain junctures, like when a house is sold, and that homeowners can get water credits from the water management district when they replace older appliances with high-efficiency units, but said more non-mandatory retrofits should be encouraged through the use of incentives.

“Every drop of water saved will impact our ability to maintain the sustainability of our water for years to come,” he said. “We could also think about implementing tax incentives in new developments to save some of the rainfall

water for use in landscaping if we need to. This is not only a local issue, but a statewide issue, and we all need to pitch in to save and conserve water.”

Incumbent councilman Bobby Richards, who is running for reelection, said pulling the application was “an interesting move.”

“Now, more than ever, we need to support the idea of reclaimed water,” he said. “Our residents have been asked to conserve and reduce water and have done an exemplary job.” While average water use per capita in California is

85 gallons per day, Peninsula residents average 56 gallons per day, he pointed out.

“Regardless of a desal plant,” he said, alternative sources, including Pure Water Monterey, are imperative.

“Our needs are immediate. The sooner we have alternative water sources, the sooner we can come into compliance, and then we can address and create workforce housing which could lessen traffic congestion,” he said. “So many issues on our Peninsula are dependent on creating sources of water.”



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Editorial

Unless they're dying

WHAT KIND of future do the people of California want?

It can't be the direction we're heading right now, with high taxes, huge disparities between rich and poor, essential resources such as electricity and water in short supply, and a government bureaucracy that seems bent on making all these problems worse. Examples are everywhere.

California already imposes very high taxes on its working and property-owning citizens. Coming up Nov. 3, you'll be voting on a Sacramento plan to raise those substantially. But will all that new tax money be wisely spent? It certainly doesn't seem likely that it will be going to public infrastructure.

Our electricity supply is a shambles — if we're not having a power shortage during a storm, we get one because the power lines might cause a fire, or because there simply isn't enough electricity to go around. Sacramento's solution is to build more solar panels and windmills, but as we learned a few weeks ago, those icons of the "green" movement are useless when the sun goes down and the wind doesn't blow.

Over in the Central Valley, rows of billion-dollar towers and viaducts for high-speed rail gleam in the hazy sunshine. Of course, that railroad will never be finished, and the trains will never go anywhere, but perhaps its costly remnants briefly amuse the tens of thousands of motorists who pass by every day on the crumbling death trap called Highway 99.

And if you want to see government in action at its absolute worst, you need look no further than the Monterey Peninsula's water supply, which the powers-that-be have turned into a never-ending "gotcha" game, where first we're ordered to do one thing, and then told we can't do it, only to be ordered to do something else, which we are then told we also can't do. And on and on it goes at great expense for decades, with no regard for any logic or the harm the endless shell game does to our community.

Why do we have a water shortage? Because 25 years ago the government decreed one, supposedly to protect the "endangered" steelhead trout, which is actually one of the most common fish in the world and could not be made extinct if you tried. Nevertheless, the Carmel River's small population of native trout is more important than you — so go get your water somewhere else.

Unfortunately, a new dam is impossible (also for the sake of the trout), so what does that leave? Easy peasy: The ocean is an unlimited source of water, and all we have to do is build a desal plant and all our problems will be solved. Study, study, spend, spend, public hearings, public hearings. But wait! The coastal commission just decided it won't allow any new seawater intakes, even for projects with environmental purposes, so those won't work.

Here's another great idea: Build the desal at the power generating plant in Moss Landing, which already draws lots and lots of water from Monterey Bay to cool its turbines. If we "co-locate" the desal plant there, no new intake will be needed, and all our problems will be solved! Study, study, study ... spend, spend, spend ... public hearings, public hearings, public hearings. Whoops! We just decided that power plants have to do away with their ocean water intakes (we don't know when, but it has to happen), so too bad for your desal plant in Moss Landing.

But wait! We just figured out a way to draw seawater through the ocean floor, thereby eliminating the need for open intakes. Brilliant idea! You must do it! Of course, for that to work, the ocean floor would have to be porous, which is to say sandy, which means the desal plant will have to draw its water from an area where the ground is made of sand. And where might that be? Marina! Brilliant idea! Study, study, study, spend, spend, spend, public hearings, public hearings, public hearings.

Whoops! We just decided building a desal plant in the Marina sand dunes would violate something called "environmental justice," because Marina (average home price, \$755,000) is a city full of oppressed, deprived people, whereas Monterey, Seaside and Pacific Grove are rich. Of course! So no desal plant in Marina, either.

But wait! If we collect all the sewage and purify it, that'll do it! Brilliant idea! Problem solved! Study, study, study, spend, spend, spend, public hearings, public hearings, public hearings ... and on and on it goes for endless decades.

We have just one question: Do steelhead trout appreciate tragic comedies? If they do, they must be laughing their scaly heads off by now. Unless they're dying, that is. Because after the completely true, real-life saga we have just related, we're still taking a lot of our drinking water from the Carmel River.

BEST of BATES



"If a tree falls in the forest and nobody hears it, does that mean the phone lines are down in Pebble Beach?"

Letters to the Editor

The Pine Cone encourages submission of letters which address issues of public importance. Letters cannot exceed 350 words, and must include the author's name and home town. We reserve the right to determine which letters are suitable for publication and to edit for length and clarity.

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'Please respect'

Dear Editor,

My husband and I were shocked and very concerned for all of us when we read in The Pine Cone that some of the people mistreating police officers at the beach were local! The officers were just doing their job to keep us all safe in this stressful pandemic.

We've been proud of our town council for following the health rules based on science, mandating masks and no large gatherings. Why would people want to spread this deadly virus to people following the rules when we've been so very lucky so far with a lesser spread? Please respect the police officers just doing their job!

John and Pamela Wagner, Carmel

'Not a hoax'

Dear Editor,

I read with sadness your article docu-

menting the trouble people protesting the beach closure gave to our excellent police department. I am also saddened by some of the comments invoking a God-given or constitutional right to do whatever they want.

The pandemic is not a hoax. The medical blog, Medscape, is compiling the names of the frontline health workers who have died from Covid-19. These people are my friends and colleagues, and their lives were worth something more than someone's insistence on sunbathing for an hour.

Online, you can find the current tally of frontline healthcare providers, and when it is completed, there will also be a photo mural.

"To all who have submitted the names of colleagues, friends, and family members, we thank you for helping us remember them, and we mourn your loss. As of July 1, this list includes more than 1,800 names from 64 countries. The youngest is 20, the eldest 99." (Medscape, Sept. 9)

Please, wear your mask, and find a way to enjoy being at home.

Stephanie Taylor, Carmel

'Good government'

Dear Editor,

I wanted to make a brief response to the letter in last week's Pine Cone from Eric Coyne, currently of Visalia. Unfortunately, he had an inaccurate impression of the Forest & Beach Commission's handling of the application to remove an additional 17 eucalyptus trees from the property of Laura Overett.

First, every commissioner takes special

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When a motion pictures were silent our scenery spoke volumes

WHEN WE think of movies made in our beautiful area, high on the list has to be “Play Misty for Me,” the directorial debut of former Carmel Mayor Clint Eastwood. But few are aware that before Eastwood was even born in 1930, the Peninsula had been used in more than 50 movies. Most of these were, of course, silent. It wasn’t until 1927 that “talkies” were introduced.

Sadly, for old movie buffs, prints of many of these early films no longer exist, and all we have of them are the stories and some photography. The earliest known films made here are experimental Edison films from 1897. These short films have been preserved and digitized by the National Archive. One just shows waves crashing on rocks, and the other, which is part of the permanent display at the Pebble Beach Visitor Center, shows guests leaving Hotel Del Monte for a trip around the early 17 Mile Drive.

London on the big screen

There was a remarkable movie I would love to rediscover. It was made of the 1912 Forest Theater production of “Alice in Wonderland.” The three-reel production, with Katherine Cooke in the role of Alice, was shown several times in the years after its creation.

More significantly, the burgeoning Hollywood film industry fell in love with our area. Director Hobart Bosworth insisted on filming his stars, Jack Conway and Myrtle Stedman, in the actual locations of Jack London’s story in his 1914 production of “Valley of the Moon.” Moviegoers were treated to scenes of early Carmel and even abalone being pounded on the beach.

That September, Monterey looked for-

ward, mimicked by his own jagged shadow. A memorable shot he missed? Boyer and a friend were driving a car with broken air conditioning on a rural road in Iowa on 100-degree day. They came up behind a weather-beaten pickup truck with something odd jutting horizontally from the driver-side window.

A major studio founded

But the reversal turned out to be very significant for Hollywood. A column in the Oct. 7, 1914, Los Angeles Times reported that Lasky had acquired a 1,400-acre ranch near Los Angeles for filming “The Rose of the Rancho.” Many other films followed, and a couple of mergers later, the ranch became the Paramount studio.

In 1916, two film companies came to the Monterey Peninsula. Universal’s Burton George brought his stars to film at Monterey’s Jack Swan theater for “Isle of Life.” That November, a large crew from Yorke Film Co. spent 10 days filming exteriors for an adaptation of Harold MacGrath’s novel, “Pidgin Island,” which was actually set on the St. Lawrence River.

This movie demonstrated the adaptability of the area’s scenery and helped popularize filmmaking here. Yorke’s publicity director Benny Ziedman, “declared that the Monterey Peninsula is the logical place for the location of a large moving picture studio,” according to the Monterey Cypress.

The area’s hospitality was also a strong plus. Film stars Harold Lockwood and May Allison, as well as other key personnel, stayed at Hotel Del Monte, which had recently been refurbished under the direction of S.F.B. Morse and Carl Stanley, who took over management in 1915. Other cast and crew stayed at the Monterey Hotel on Alvarado street.

Much of the filming was along 17 Mile Drive, where November waves provided dramatic scenery. It also created some high drama in the actual filming. The stars, along with the director and cameraman, were reportedly pulled out to sea by an unexpected wave. In another scene, the stars, along with the director and cameraman, were swept off a rock.

And yet another news story reported that Lockwood suffered a fractured arm and other bruises rescuing Allison when she was accidentally thrown from a boat rocked by the waves. Clearly, movie making could be hazardous.

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Hitting the photographer’s bullseye

WINSTON SWIFT Boyer has built a career on a talent for watching the world turn.

His success as a fine-art photographer — his living — depends on a gift for observation, a willingness to seize the moment, spot the perfect angle, choose the right shutter speed, and pull the trigger before the shot morphs into something different.

Boyer’s body of work, nearly 40 years in

ward, mimicked by his own jagged shadow.

A memorable shot he missed? Boyer and a friend were driving a car with broken air conditioning on a rural road in Iowa on 100-degree day. They came up behind a weather-beaten pickup truck with something odd jutting horizontally from the driver-side window.

“When we passed him, we realized the driver had a huge comb-over, from the right side of his head to the left.

His hair was being blown by the wind, and was sticking straight out of the window. I don’t have a picture of that,” he lamented.

“In commercial photography, we’re called shooters, and what I do is very much like a hunt,” said Boyer, who still lives in the Carmel Woods home where he spent much of his childhood. “I’d hunt for venison in Wyoming as a kid, but I never felt good about killing anything. In a way, this is the same feeling — stalking something, and getting it, but without the killing. For me, that part is the bonus.”

The Boyer family resided in Moab, Utah — where Winston’s father (also Winston) was a prospector for gold and uranium.

That occupation, along with an affection for saloons, often kept him away from home for days at a time until 1961, when his frustrated wife, Josie Swift Boyer, packed up the three kids (sons Winston and Jonathan, and daughter Eliza) and headed for California.

They moved in with Josie’s mother, Lila Swift, whose ex-husband, Carlton B. Swift Jr., was part of the Swift meat-packing family.

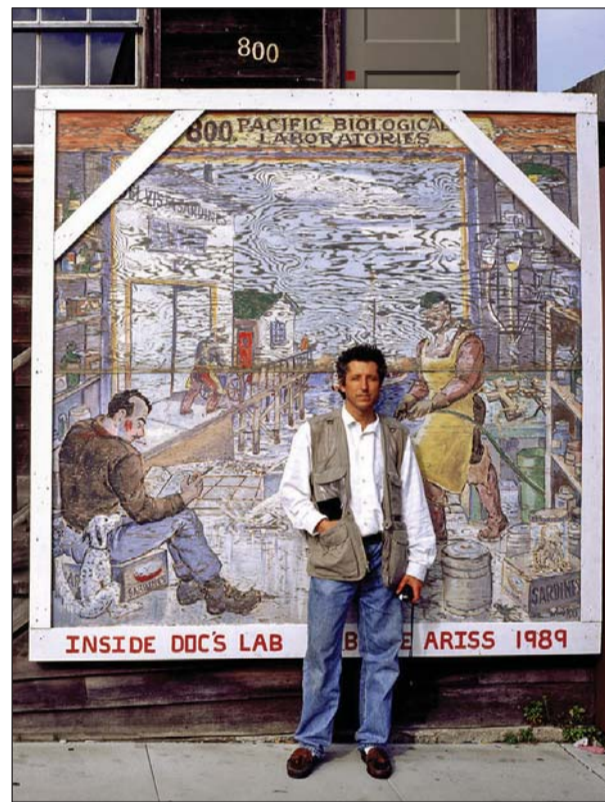
“I was used to running around the red-rock area, chasing lizards, hanging out in the desert, and the Colorado River,” Winston remembered. “Suddenly, we were living in this big, grand, old house in Pebble Beach, overlooking Stillwater Cove, and I hated it.”

He went to River School as a fourth-grader, then was part of the last class to attend Sunset School

Carmel’s Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

the making, is beautiful, haunting, quirky, serendipitous, historic and strange. Some likely were carefully planned: the perfect collaboration of sunlight and clouds, and a well conceived composition. Others clearly were quick-draw opportunities where the photographer hit the bullseye: a weary-looking man in a flat cap, leaning on one hand, staring into the darkness from the illuminated window of a European train ... a high, balcony view of a shirtless fire-eater, leaning backward and blowing flames sky-



PHOTO/WINSTON BOYER

Fine-art photographer Winston Boyer poses with one of his photos of a Bruce Ariss painting on Cannery Row.

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History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

ward to the arrival of the new Jesse Lasky film company, which had selected several of Monterey’s historic buildings for its story of old California, “The Rose of the Rancho.” The young director, Cecille B. DeMille, was just getting his start in pictures. The company did not show up as scheduled in late September, but when the movie was released, the publicity said it was “staged at

The gallant Gilbert Roland assists Mary Astor before shooting scenes near the Mission for “Rose of the Golden West” (1927), one of the dozens of silent movies made here. The crew had hoped to shoot a Sloat landing segment at the actual site, but because of development along Monterey’s waterfront, they filmed that on Catalina Island.

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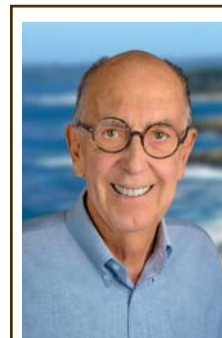
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City adds more online permitting

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

WITH CITY hall closed to the public, submitting applications for remodels, tree removals and other work that requires permits could be a little challenging.

But last week, the community planning and building unveiled a new e-permitting platform to make it easier for people to apply for building permits, submit planning applications for new construction and remodels, apply for permits to remove or trim trees, and request encroachments,

which involve a person or business using the public right of way on a temporary or permanent basis. The new system also allows applicants to upload records, design plans and renderings, and other necessary documents.

To use the new system, visit ci.carmel.ca.us and go to the community planning and building or public works page, and click on the blue “E-Permit Applications” button on the right. Anyone with questions or in need of assistance can call (831) 620-2010.

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ARTISTS

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as a fifth grader in 1965, the year before Carmel Middle School opened. Josie had found work as a school teacher, and with her mother's help had purchased the Carmel Woods home where he lives now.

Young Bayer had commandeered his mother's 35 mm Pentax camera, a hobby that intrigued him enough to convert his mom's downstairs bathroom into a darkroom. His enlarger sat on the toilet seat.

“Then my mom got me into a workshop at Point Lobos with (Carmel-based photography legend) Ansel Adams. What I remember is being a kid with a Pentax, spending all day long with these old guys, and their big cameras, all focused for hours on the same piece of seaweed,” he said. “I also remember coming home and telling my mother, ‘I don't ever, ever want to become a photographer!’”

“But you can't help it if you have a drive — photography picks you, you don't pick it — and I never stopped.”

By the time Bayer graduated from Robert Louis Stevenson School in 1972, his brother, Jonathan (a year younger) was evolving into a world-class bicycle racer, a member of the U.S. Junior team. By 1973, after Jonathan graduated from York School, he was racing in Europe, and in 1981 he became the first American to race in the Tour de France. Jonathan Boyer (AKA “Jock” or “Jacques”) is still regarded today among the greatest cyclists in American history.

Three years in France

Winston attended Monterey Peninsula College, studied cinematography at San Francisco State and UC Santa Cruz, then headed to Europe to visit his brother.

“I went over there in the late '70s and lived with him just outside Paris. My brother got me a job photographing races for some European cycling magazines, and I also got commissions from a few in the U.S.,” said Bayer, who also began building his fine-art portfolio during the three years he spent in Europe.

One of Boyer's Euro images, “Night

Angel” — a moody, twilight photo of a quirky, beautifully ornate apartment building in Nice — appeared in Time-Life Books' 1981 “Master Color Printers” publication.

In 1979, Boyer's work was featured in a solo exhibition at Lakey Gallery in Carmel, the first of three dozen one-man shows he's had — a list that includes showcases in New York City, Toronto, Tacoma, Wash.; Lenox, Mass.; San Francisco, and Santa Monica, among other. Ansel Adams showed up at his 1981 show in the foyer of Carmel's Sunset Center.

He's been part of group exhibitions in Paris, New York, Chicago, and Washington D.C., and his photographs are part of the permanent collections at the Chicago Art Institute, the Brooklyn Museum, Corcoran Gallery in Washington D.C., the Crocker Museum in Sacramento, the Fresno Art Museum, the Stanford Museum and the Monterey Museum of Art.

Diverse portfolio

In the mid-1980s, while living in New York, Boyer received a \$5,000 advance from Little Brown Publishing Co. to produce a book called “American Roads,” a color pictorial featuring 64 scenic shots from various regions of the United States.

His diverse portfolio also includes photos from a 2001 trip to Antigua, Guatemala, plus packages he calls the “Vertigo Series,” “Cannery Row,” “Mask,” “American Landscape,” “American Facades,” “European, and Ocean Series.”

“I had a good friend, Reed Farrington, a wonderful Carmel Art Association painter who lived down the Big Sur Coast,” Boyer said. “He kept his overhead low and lived hand to mouth on his fine art, and whenever you'd ask how he was doing, he'd always say, ‘I'm still getting away with it.’”

“That's kind of how I feel,” he continued. “I'm not doing much commercial art anymore — I'm making a living on my fine-art photography — and as long as I'm getting away with it, that's what counts.”

Boyer's work, including seascapes from Point Lobos, Hurricane Point and Big Sur, can be seen at Gallery Sur at Sixth Avenue and Dolores Street. Additional images and information can be found online at winstonboyer.com.

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Dear Larry

BY LARRY MESLER

DEAR LARRY: I inherited a beautiful gold-colored vase from my grandmother which she always called Tiffany. Does it have any value? - Carol in Monterey.

Dear Carol: It appears that you may have a Favrile glass vase that does have value. Favrile glass was trademarked by Louis Comfort Tiffany around 1893.

DEAR LARRY: Can you tell me if it is typically investors that show up to your real estate auctions? - William in Pacific Grove

Dear William: We do have and encourage investors to attend our auctions, but it is usually the end user that purchases the real estate. Someone wanting to live in a home will historically pay more than an investor.

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LETTERS

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care to treat everyone who appears before the commission with courtesy and respect. While it may not have been conveyed in The Pine Cone story about our initial meeting concerning Overett's application, in fact every commissioner took special pains during the meeting to acknowledge other contributions Overett has made to the Carmel community, and to acknowledge that we sympathized with some of her concerns, even if we ultimately might not agree on the proper solution.

Second, if Mr. Coyne had simply waited until after the next commission meeting, the results of which were reported in the same Pine Cone containing his letter, he would have seen that Overett's application was in fact unanimously approved by the commission, with only slight modifications, including the addition of two more upper canopy trees (for a total of only four upper canopy trees to mitigate the loss of some 44 upper canopy eucalyptus trees), and a requirement that stumps be removed as quickly as possible.

Obviously, one of the very special characteristics of Carmel is its beautiful "forest in the city," and we take our responsibility to protect that special character very seriously. The fact that the commission voted to carry over to the next meeting a decision on Overett's application was hardly a denial of "due process and a fair hearing," but rather a recognition that we wanted to get it right — what some would call good government. The fact that we ultimately were unanimous in approving the application with a few additional conditions that benefit the city disproves any notion that we were spiteful or heavy-handed.

By the way, in my three years on the commission, more than 90 percent of our decisions have been unanimous, because we prize compromise and consensus-building, and we have found that the best decisions are usually those that respect all points of view.

Mr. Coyne is welcome to attend our meetings in person or via zoom. They are typically scheduled for the second Thursday afternoon of every month. An agenda is available in advance. I am sure if he attends he will appreciate

the work of these volunteer commissioners who are contributing their time to preserve and improve the very special place that is Carmel-by-the-Sea.

**Mike Caddell, Chairman,
Forest & Beach Commission**

No school until 2021?

Dear Editor,

A. Michelle stated in her email to The Pine Cone last week that conditions agreed to by the district and the Association of Carmel Teachers cannot be met, prohibiting the opening of school until August 2021. Not true.

Advisory guidelines for a return to school were set by the state and county governments in March. The school district developed a comprehensive plan outlining our steps and timelines in order to establish hybrid and/or full return. The plan was shared with our parent community.

All of that work came to an abrupt halt when Gov. Gavin Newsom promulgated the tiered system with color-coded categories indicating the status of each county in the state. The formula currently places CUSD in the most severe category for a return to a hybrid or full return based on our current county-wide coronavirus data. It is important to remember that only the CUSD board, working with district administration, will make the decision as to if, when and how we return. The MOU with the teachers and classified unions relate only to safe working conditions when staff and students return to school.

There is nothing in the MOUs for both ACT and CSEA (classified staff) that is unreasonable or would prohibit moving forward in any way. Rigorous and safe working conditions outlined in the MOU for both certificated and classified employees have already been addressed and met by the district. We are committed to going even further than those conditions stated in the MOUs. We have to remember that a safe working environment is a top priority, as we take safety precautions on our school sites.

Most important, it also ensures that all of our students will be as safe as possible upon return to class. The MOU between the district and employee groups is posted on the CUSD website.

**Karl Pallastrini, President
CUSD Board of Education**

Poop bags solved

Dear Editor,

In response to the letter to the editor from Daniella Romano in the Sept. 11 issue, perhaps I can shed some light on the mysteries of the discarded (and full) poop bags. Dog owners want to appear socially correct and responsible. They walk their four-legged friends armed with poop bags so as not to litter the very areas where they live and walk. Alas, if a trash receptacle is more than a few footsteps away from them, they look around, slyly casing the area, and suddenly have a spasm in their hand which causes them to drop said poop bag to the ground. So why bother with the plastic poop bag if you're going to turn it into yet another piece of ugly trash for others to deal with? You're not kidding anyone and you're being full of poop yourself. Mommy isn't going to come along and pick up after you.

Stop it, please, and strive to set a better example.

Catherine Luciano, Lafayette

'Wield, punish, emulate'

Dear Editor,

As the days to the election dwindle, I can't help but think that President Trump will fight very hard not to leave the White House.

He knows what's waiting. Had he been content to continue living his very privileged life of swindling and grifting, he would be much happier. But he got greedier. He wanted to be able to say he won the presidency. He needed that affirmation and attention. He wanted to wield power to punish others and emulate dictators he admired for the way people feared them.

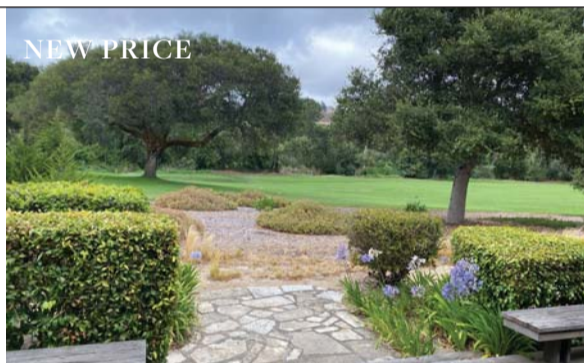
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PET TALK



Pine Cone family pets

At least they didn't have to build a big old boat in the driveway

By ELAINE HESSER

ON Aug. 17, the Carmel Fire broke out in upper Carmel Valley. At 2:04 p.m. the next day, a post appeared on social media. "Attention evacuees! Carmel Valley Veterinary Hospital is here for you if you need to house your pets!"

According to Richard Lookinghawk, the hospital administrator who is also one of the owners, "We had 30 animals in a matter of hours. Three people in a row dropped off their pets and told me they lost their houses." Lookinghawk has worked at the hospital for 27 years, since he was 15 years old, so those people aren't anonymous abstractions — they're neighbors.

He said that most of the animals that evacuees brought by were cats, since many of the motels that offered shelter to humans extended that welcome to dogs as well.

Lookinghawk said Heart Dominguez, the veterinarian who recently took over Romie Lane Pet Hospital in Salinas, offered the use of that facility for any overflow. Although it wasn't necessary, Lookinghawk described the offer as "a little ray of light in the middle of the storm."

By Aug. 20, the hospital in Carmel Valley was "almost at capacity," and posted a picture of Riggs, an orange tabby from Sky Ranch, who hid out under some new construction there while the fire raged around him. He came out burned, but OK, and the facility reported on social media that "he is a great example for us all with his great attitude despite his situation."

The hospital offered boarding free of charge. Lookinghawk said that a client had made "a small donation" some years ago to be used in case of an emergency, and they dipped into that for Riggs' treatment, too.

On Friday, Aug. 21, Lookinghawk said that like the rest of Carmel Valley, the hospital got notice that it might have to evacuate the following day, so staff was faced with the daunting task of calling everyone to come back and get their pets.

"It was one of the hardest days I've ever had here," he said. That afternoon, the hospital announced it was closing

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Riggs lived at Sky Ranch. When his people had to evacuate, they couldn't corral him, but he managed to ride out the fire under some new construction. Carmel Valley Veterinary Hospital treated his burns and admired his positive attitude.



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Can you be a good teammate to your dog? Here's how to find out.

By ELAINE HESSER

IF YOU'VE ever spent a lazy Thanksgiving afternoon watching the canines of the National Dog Show, you might have wondered: Are those dogs having fun? They get all washed and trimmed and blown dry, then judges pat them down, look inside their mouths and subject them to other minor indignities. After one or two brisk trots around the show ring, winners are announced.

Owners and handlers routinely say they're certain the dogs enjoy competing — and the four-legged contestants do seem to look downright pleased when they win. But if you really want to see people and dogs having fun together, you should check out an agility contest. Carmel Valley resident Suzi Bluford has been training dogs since the early 1970s, and knows the sport's ins and outs.

It helps to have a little understanding of dog competitions in general. The American Kennel Club is the best known dog-centric organization, and offers a wide variety of ways for pooches to strut their stuff.

The Thanksgiving National Dog Show (sanctioned by the AKC) is an example of a conformation contest, where each dog is judged to see how well it conforms to its breed's standards for things like size,

markings and disposition and how they trot, lope or prance around the ring.

Performance trials are breed-specific events that show how well a pointer points, or a retriever retrieves. Obedience competitions are just what they sound like — how well a dog follows commands to sit or stay, for example.

Staying on course

In an agility competition, dogs and their handlers must complete an obstacle course, one human/canine team at a time. The four-legged half of the team does things like run through tunnels, climb up and down ramps, leap over hurdles and quite literally jump through hoops. The handler provides direction, using voice commands and/or gestures to guide the dog through the course.

"It's about the teamwork between the dog and the handler," Bluford said. She explained that while the types of obstacles remain the same from one competition to the next, the course never does.

"There's a sequence of 20-25 obstacles that's never the same," she said. "Judges are never allowed to duplicate a course." After the group holding the competition approves the course, handlers are allowed to walk it before attempting it with their dogs.

It doesn't go in an oval or a straight line, and there are several junctures where the dog can easily go the wrong way if the handler doesn't give good directions. "At lower levels, there might be two or three of those spots, while at higher levels, there might be as many as nine. The handler has to figure out how to navigate," Bluford said.

Courses are adjusted for breeds of different heights, since a St. Bernard could easily hurdle a bar that a Chihuahua would run right under without noticing.

Bluford said that some of the things a dog encounters are called contact obstacles, and the pups paws have to touch spe-

Teeter-totters can be a little scary. Still, Kashi, a Pembroke Welsh corgi, owner/handler Pam Durkee's teammate, makes a good go of it.



Owner/handler Suzi Bluford's golden retriever, Sirius, clears a jump.

cially colored areas on them to avoid losing points.

Bluford said that competitors are scored first on how well they complete the course, and the handler can err, too, by touching the dog or an obstacle, or yelling at the dog in anger, for example.

"At the highest levels, there can be no mistakes," she said. In addition to negotiating the obstacles correctly, dogs cannot skip any, shy away from them or go the wrong way on the course. And, she noted wryly, "About 99 percent of errors are handler-induced."

Bluford noted that the two most challenging obstacles are the teeter-totter and weave poles. In the former, a dog walks onto a seesaw that's weighted so the side facing the animal is on the ground, then walks or runs across it as it tilts to the other side underneath them. It's a contact obstacle, and the dog must touch the end of the far side, so it loses points if it jumps off too soon.

Weave poles are like ski slaloms, but much closer together and in a straight line on level ground. Dogs must enter the space between the first and second pole from the right-hand side and then go back and forth until they reach the end of anywhere from

five to 12 poles. The team gets three tries to negotiate the poles correctly before moving on to finish the course.

When teams complete the courses without any faults, it all comes down to time, and while handlers have to be in good shape, Bluford said that she's seen people compete in wheelchairs or on crutches, and some handlers are more than 75 years old.

Events go on

Competitions are being held despite the pandemic, as Bluford noted that many, if not most, are done outdoors, without spectators. Indoor events are even more complicated, with numerous restrictions to protect everyone, especially officials.

"Judges are at the most risk, as handlers are breathing hard and shouting commands. In some competitions, the handlers are masked," she said.

Unlike conformation, agility competitions welcome mixed-breed and neutered dogs. Bluford recommended that anyone interested in learning more about it "find a good instructor with their own equipment." She added, "Some people do agility for the social aspects, and aren't interested in competing."

In any event, it looks like fun.



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You were a darned sight cuter when you were little and cuddly, too

By SALLY BAHO

CUE THE adorable, fluffy kitten riding around on a robot vacuum cleaner. The baby fuzz balls are great — and relatively easy to find human parents for — but have you ever wondered what happens when an older cat loses its home? Well, Margaret Slaby, founder and director of Golden Oldies Cat Rescue had that very concern and decided to do something about it.

"I worked in an animal shelter for two-and-a-half years as an animal care technician. I saw a lot of euthanasia and I had to hold a lot of them in the process," Slaby recalled. "A lot of the cats being put down were older. I used to walk around the shelter, and I would dream of starting a rescue for these older cats."

In May of 2016, Slaby left the shelter where she worked and had a conversation with her mom about her dream. "I feel that in my heart and soul that there's something more I can do." Her mom gave her the "just do it!" she needed and Slaby was off.

She linked up with Carie Broecker of Peace of Mind Dog Rescue, who served as a mentor. Slaby learned how to start a nonprofit, came up with a name, by-laws, and a board of directors, and just like that, Golden Oldies was born. It's a nonprofit that advocates for cats age 6 and older residing in Monterey County whose guardians can no longer care for them.

There are now more than 100 volunteers supporting the organization. They do every-

thing from managing the mailing list and newsletter, to making virtual home visits, calling adopters to make sure things are going well, managing the website (gocatrescue.org), the finances, and so much more.

Kitty-proofing

Once cats are rescued, they are fostered by volunteers until they can find permanent and loving adoptive homes. The group is passionate about keeping kitties out of shelters and committed to keeping them safe for the rest of their lives.

To foster a cat — in a normal world — you would meet the animal in person, but in the Covid climate, things are done via phone and computer. First, Golden Oldies requires an online application and a home visit.

A Golden Oldies volunteer gets on a video call with the potential foster parent and does a virtual walkthrough of the house. For example, they look at where a door leads — is it to a busy street or the backyard? Things like broken screens, precious and breakable items that may need to be moved, and other feline temptations are also addressed to make sure the home's cat-safe.

The virtual consult also "gives the would-be fosters the opportunity to ask questions," Slaby explained.

Once Slaby and her team deem a home (and its human inhabitants) ready for a foster family member, they provide food and litter, bedding, toys, and money to cover medical care while the cat is in foster. This is made possible by donations — both monetary and of kitty gear — from the generous local community.

It typically takes about three months for a cat to move from foster care to a forever home, and adoptions follow a similar process. Rather than the conventional go-to-the-shelter-and-pick-out-a-kitty procedure, now you do a video chat to meet your potential new roommate — probably after perusing photos on the Golden Oldies website.

Clearly Slaby has a passion for what she does, as she has led this organization for four years, taking in 77 cats and adopting out 72. Their goal for this year was to re-home 27 cats. After starting the year with five cats, the

group has taken in 14 and adopted out 15, with four left in foster care as of this writing. Many shelters are experiencing the same thing as the coronavirus pandemic means people are staying home, surrenders have decreased and the number of adoptions has gone up — all great news for the animals.

And Slaby's dream of making Monterey County a better and safer place for old cats is coming true, one kitty at a time.



(Top) Leo is 7 now and was adopted in April 2019. (bottom) Timmy is a 12-year-old Maine Coon mix who came to Golden Oldies in June and is in foster care and available for adoption.

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The customers only have two legs but sometimes the patients have more

By ELAINE HESSER

YOU CAN fool some of the dogs all of the time and all of the dogs some of the time, but cats just won't buy it. At least, that seems true when you're trying to trick, coax or (gently) manhandle your pet into taking medication.

Many pets' meds are the very same ones that their owners take for similar conditions. Antibiotics like penicillin, insulin for diabetes, non-steroidal anti-inflammatories for pain, steroids for allergies and sedatives to reduce anxiety may have the same chemical formulas as the ones in your medicine cabinet.

That doesn't mean you should start giving your pet an Aleve if it's limping or slip it one of Aunt Thelma's valium pills, how-

ever. Dosage is one obvious reason, and animals process and tolerate various medications much differently than humans. The Tylenol that's just fine for your headache can kill a cat, for example.

While many veterinarians give you the medication your pet needs when you leave the office, there are alternatives. Most recently, Carmel Drug Store on Ocean Avenue began dispensing prescription pet medications.

Chris Ulrey, one of the pharmacists there said it's only been a few weeks, but he expects that he'll receive requests mainly from people whose pets take maintenance medications and need ongoing refills. The shop offers a one-business-day turnaround on most products and has meds for skin conditions, eye and ear issues and other typical pet problems.

As Carmel Drug begins offering the convenience of one-stop shopping for you and your pets, Dana Gordon, owner of

Central Avenue Pharmacy, noted that his pharmacy has been doing compounding for 30 years, and some of that has been for animals.

Compounding doesn't mean the pharmacist is inventing a new drug. Rather, it's done to customize a medication to a patient's needs. Gordon said that for animals, it might mean making a custom dosage (per a veterinarian's instructions) or adding a flavor to a med so a dog or cat finds it more palatable. Or, it can be made into a form that's easier to administer.

Getting fishy

One example is methimazole, a drug sold under the brand name Tapazole. It's used to treat hyperthyroidism (an overactive thyroid gland) in people and cats. But while a person can take a pill and wash it down with a glass of water, pilling a cat is not for the faint of heart. Thankfully, the medication can also be made into an ointment that can be rubbed onto the inside of a kitty's ear, where it's absorbed through

the skin.

In addition to helping with family pets, Gordon said that in recent years, he's done compounding for the Monterey Bay Aquarium. In cooperation with Dr. Michael J. Murray, the Aquarium's director of veterinary services, Gordon's made up doses of medicine for whale sharks, jellyfish (he recalled that was a powder that was added to the tank) and of course, seals and otters.

But Gordon said most of what he does is for "cats, mice, rats, dogs, chickens" and the like. He said he wants to make sure he's producing products that are cost-effective for the client and relatively easy to administer.

In any event, independent pharmacies like Carmel Drug and Central Avenue Pharmacy have been helping all kinds of patients during the pandemic. Gordon encourages everyone to shop at local operations. "I'm a big advocate of choice. Support your independently run local businesses," he recommended, to keep those choices available.



Perk of the job: After Central Avenue Pharmacy's Dana Gordon (left) prepared a custom anesthetic for an otter, he was asked to assist Dr. Michael Murray (right), the Monterey Bay Aquarium's director of veterinary services, in implanting a tracking transmitter in the animal's gastrointestinal tract.



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its doors until Aug. 31, and everyone left safely.

By Saturday, Aug. 22, between the Carmel Fire and the River Fire, things weren't looking so good at the SPCA for Monterey County on Highway 68, either. Spokesperson Beth Brookhouser said that by then, the organization was housing more than 500 animals — many from evacuees — on its 200-plus acre campus.

Even though the SPCA was under an evacuation warning and not an order, Brookhouser said there were so many animals that, "We didn't want to risk leaving anyone behind." The staff and dozens of volunteers spent the day addition to many other varieties of critters into vehicles and relocating them, working well into the evening.

She noted that the agency's been preparing for such a situation "for years." According to its website, the SPCA was "the very first animal welfare agency in the United States to partner with the American Red Cross and shelter pets adjacent to human evacuation shelters during disasters."

Many of the animals went to the Monterey County Fairground, where volunteers took shifts feeding and exercising them. Brookhouser said that since many farm animals like horses and chickens have specialized diets and require daily attention — some cows needed milking, too — their owners came to care for them.

As time passed, the SPCA helped evacuate and find housing more than 600 additional animals, for a total of more than 1,100 at numerous locations.

Brookhouser added that the Marina Equestrian Center, 101 Livestock Market in Aromas, the Salinas Posse and Rodeo grounds, and the Salinas Valley Fairgrounds in King City also offered space for the menagerie. Peace of Mind Dog Rescue, Animal Friends Rescue Project, and Bay Area shelters took some of the adoptable

cats and dogs, as did the county and city shelters on Hitchcock Road in Salinas.

Since the SPCA sent teams to Paradise during the Camp Fire, the Butte Humane Society reached out to them, as did the San Diego Human Society, and both sent people to help with the evacuation.

A different doggy bag

Lookinghawk's advice to people who live in areas where evacuations occur? Have the basics ready. "A lot of people had no way to transport their pets," he said, adding that fortunately, his facility had a lot of extra carriers that they could lend out. He recommended having a "go bag" just like you do (or should) for the rest of the family, with any special food or prescriptions your pet might need. And don't forget to include them in your plans for emergency drinking water.

The SPCA's website has species-specific advice for disaster preparedness. For example, if your goldfish need to go, you need to have enough water to keep their bowl or tank clean and refill any water that gets spilled in the process.

Some other things you might not have thought of: Cat owners should bring a spare litter box, and there are disposable cardboard ones available. Put a collar with an ID tag in the go bag, and even if your cat doesn't normally wear one, put it on her. That way, if a budding escape artist makes a run for it in an unfamiliar neighborhood, there's a better chance of getting her back.

Bringing a photo or photos of your pet can also help locate them if you get separated, the SPCA said. Vaccine records for cats and dogs are important, as some shelters will require them.

For more information on how to make sure your best buddies are as safe as you are when a disaster occurs, visit spcamc.org. And take a tip from them — practice and preparedness are a big help in an emergency.

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Bringing the determination of a high school career to the real world

YURI HAUSWALD made enough memories in the 1980s as a three-sport jock for the Robert Louis Stevenson Pirates to be inducted into the school's Athletic Hall of Fame in 2019, 31 years after his graduation. In his junior year, he led Stevenson's lacrosse team to the Central Coast Section championship. As a senior, he was the starting quarterback on the football team. He also played baseball.

That was just the beginning. Hauswald was a four-year starter and two-time team captain of the lacrosse team at UC Berkeley. He earned all-conference honors twice and was the only West Coast athlete selected to play in the prestigious East Coast All-Star Game as a senior.

The same grit he demonstrated on the playing fields at Stevenson and Cal resurfaced years later, when Hauswald became a

professional bicycle racer.

Most notably, in 2015 he tackled a 200-mile endurance race in Kansas and, only weeks short of his 45th birthday, staged a comeback for the ages.

Hauswald was battling for second place at an event now known as the DK 200 when he rolled into the final aid station on the racecourse, still 50 miles from the finish line. He made a quick, NASCAR-style pit stop, and hurried back onto the course, where fatigue and pain suddenly became only minor annoyances.

A shot in the arm

"That was the moment I saw my wife, who had flown in to surprise me," he said of Vanessa Hauswald, a stage-4 colon cancer survivor who was four years clear at that point. "She was running after me,

screaming for me as I rode out of town, and seeing her there was an unbelievable shot in the arm."

He returned to the course knowing he was in second place, but had no idea that the leader, 30-year-old Michael Sencenbaugh, was a whopping 22 minutes ahead of him.

"I knew the course very well from participating in training camps there, so I just put my head down and rode, ticking off the miles," he said. "I was maybe 15 miles along when a photographer rolled up next to me on a (motorcycle) and said, 'Hey, you're only 10 minutes behind now!'"

Nice to know, but with just 35 miles left, Hauswald shrugged off the information. Not enough course left, too far behind, he realized. "I just told myself, 'Just keep doing your thing,'" he said.

With about two miles to go, Hauswald was passing riders on the course who were finishing a separate race, a 100-miler and feeling proud.

"I was on Cloud 9, super-stoked to know I was in second place," he said. "Then, all of a sudden, I rolled up on a guy who looked a little bit racier than all the others. I glanced at his number plate and said, 'Hey, you're the leader, aren't you? How's it going?' He wasn't all that excited to see me."

With thousands of roaring spectators lining each side of the course, the co-leaders were literally racing side-by-side. Hauswald made a couple of attempts to sprint ahead, but the younger rider kept pace. With three blocks left, the exhausted Hausman decided to make his final move.

"At that point, my book of matches was definitely a little thin. The last thing I remember telling myself is, 'I'm going to lead this sprint-out ... I'm just going to go for it.' From that point on, it was a

three-block drag race."

After 13 rigorous hours on the road, Hauswald crossed the finish line half a bike length ahead of the man who had held a 22-minute lead with 50 miles to go.

Pain and perspective

"Obviously it was the most incredible thing I've ever experienced in my career, and to have my wife there at the finish line

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

was the best gift ever," he said. "I was racing to honor her, and also for my father (Don Hauswald, who died 10 years earlier after a battle with melanoma), knowing that whatever pain I was feeling while I was pedaling my bike was nothing compared to everything they had gone through."

His epic comeback at the DK 200 was featured in VeloNews and other major cycling publications, and today is part of endurance-racing lore.

Other notable trinkets in his racing history: Hauswald, won the 24 Hours of Adrenaline solo race in 2005 at Laguna Seca Raceway as an amateur, then placed ninth at the 24 Hours Solo World Championships in Georgia that same year.

"That enabled me to turn pro, which was my big goal, not because I was going to get big sponsorships, and endorsements, and be able to quit my day job. That wasn't going to happen," he said. "I just wanted those three letters — P-R-O — behind my name."

That also was the year Hauswald befriended another endurance racer, Brian Vaughan, whose dad, Bill, was the Berkeley-based scientist who invented GU, an innovative nutritional supplement that

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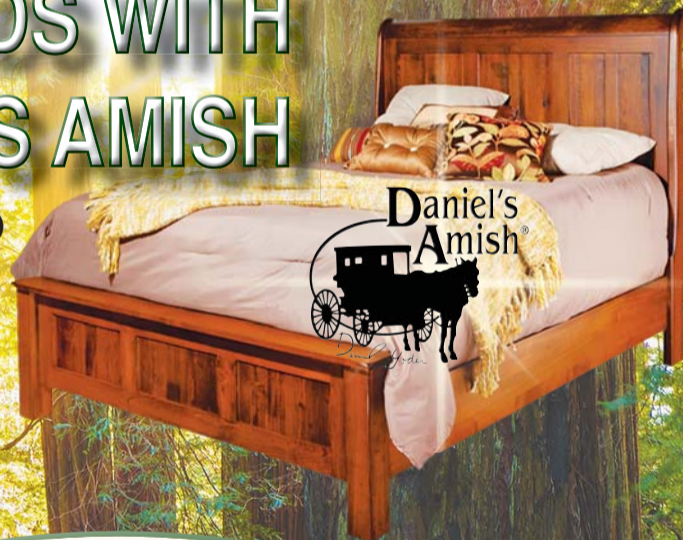
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Endurance racing has always been a specialty for Hauswald, who won the 24 Hours of Adrenaline solo race at Laguna Seca Raceway as an amateur in 2005. He is shown here competing in the Colorado Rockies in the 2017 Breck Epic Mountain Bike Stage Race.

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evolved into an entire line of nutrition products.

“His daughter was doing big running events, like the Western States and the Hard Rock 100, back in the days when sports nutrition was basically Gatorade, a banana, and a Powerbar that might break your tooth,” Hauswald

said. “Laura was experiencing some gastrointestinal distress during her races, and her dad, the scientist, whipped up the first batch of GU in their kitchen.”

GU became a staple for endurance racers all over the world, and the company became one of Hauswald’s racing sponsors. Then, in 2013, Hauswald was hired as community manager for the Petaluma-based company, a job he still holds today.

The kid whisperer

Prior to that, he had spent much of his adult life as a school teacher.

“I had no idea when I was at Cal that teaching was something I might want to do, but I’ve always been a little bit of a kid whisperer, even from a pretty young age,” he said. “At the end of my junior year I started volunteering at an elementary school, working with kids who were severely behind on their reading, and it kind of lit a fire in me.”

A former Stevenson counselor, Larry Filippone, helped him land a summer teaching job at The Hill School, an elite, all-male, Pennsylvania-based boarding academy with international students, where he subsequently was hired full time to teach English as a Second Language. He also coached the football and lacrosse teams.

He later returned to Petaluma, his hometown, where he

taught elementary school, first through third grade, for 11 years.

Parents who cared

Hauswald says the education he received at Stevenson helped prepare him for life, academically and otherwise, and credits his mother, Suzi, for sending him to the Pebble Beach school as a 14-year-old freshman.

“She just wasn’t all that excited about any of the high schools around the Petaluma area, where we lived, and wanted the best for me,” said Hauswald, who grew up on the family farm. “And I was excited about the idea of boarding school, a new environment, a new challenge. I’ve always experienced the most growth in life when I’ve tried new things.”

His father regularly chartered a plane to watch Yuri’s lacrosse and football games “He was also a big fan of my cycling career, although he didn’t live long enough to see me turn pro,” lamented Hauswald, who had Chinese characters tattooed on the inner side of both arms to honor his dad.

“He got to see those,” he said. “I just wanted him to know before he passed away that he’d always be with me.”

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Yuri Hauswald, who was approaching his 45th birthday, won the grueling DK 200 professional endurance race in Kansas in 2015.

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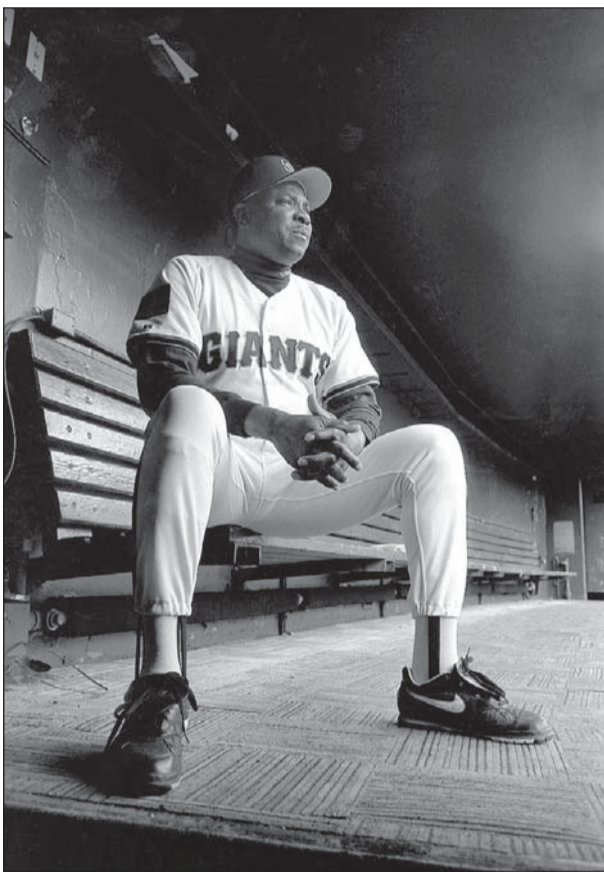
This Week

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Glass pumpkin patch pops up online, '8x10' fundraiser at Sunset

THERE WON'T be a festive gathering at Carmel Middle School this year for MEarth's eighth annual Hilton Bialek Habitat's Glass Pumpkin Patch due to the pandemic. Instead, through Sept. 27, you can go online and visit the Pumpkin Shop at mearthcarmel.org, where hundreds of glass pumpkins in an assortment of colors, shapes and

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This striking portrait of former San Francisco Giants manager Dusty Baker by Najib Joe Hakim is included in a fundraising photography show opening Sept. 19.

Cellist, violinist team up for free 'balcony' recital

A MONTH after debuting its clever new Covid-free "Balcony Sessions" recital series — which has classical instrumentalists performing from a balcony — the Monterey Symphony presents its next concert Friday, showcasing two members of its orchestra, assistant principal cellist **Adele Kearns** and violin **Genie Wie**.

"They are both fantastic musicians," executive director **Nicola Reilly** told The Pine Cone. "Genie has been doing pop-up performances in San Francisco since shelter-in-place started. She did one with Adele, and the two have been playing together throughout the pandemic. They're really lovely people, and we're excited they are coming to Carmel."

Because most of the symphony's musicians are out of work — and its 2020-21 season is cancelled — the series will focus on giving them opportunities to play, Reilly explained.

The "Balcony Sessions" series, which continues through at least June of next year, debuted Aug. 18 with a solo show by the symphony's principal bass trombone **Will Baker**.

The balcony, which is attached to the symphony's new offices on the south side of Seventh between San Carlos and Dolores, is close enough to the Scheid and Silvestri tasting rooms for the music to be heard there.

The music starts at 4 p.m. and is free. The concert will also be live-streamed at vimeo.com. The series continues through at least next June. For details, visit monterey-symphony.org.

Live and outside

Singer-songwriters **Tom Faia** and **Kate Miller** take the stage Saturday at Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley, where a spacious beer garden makes live music possible, and keeps people safe. The next evening, singer-songwriter **Scott Fenton** plays.

Both shows start at 6 p.m. The cafe is located at 3 Del Fino Place. For more details, call (831) 298-7453.

Just steps away, singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** plays folk Sunday in the Massa Tasting Room Garden, which offers ample space for distancing. The tasting room is located at 69 W. Carmel Valley Rd. The music begins at 2 p.m. Singer **Janice Perl** and keyboardist **Bill Spencer** play

On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

jazz Wednesday at Gusto Handcrafted Pizza and Pasta in Seaside. Gusto is located at 1901 Fremont Blvd. For reservations, call (831) 899-5825. Showtime is 5 p.m.

Music for the spirit

Best known locally as the prior of the New Camaldolese Hermitage in Big Sur, **Father Cyprian Consiglio** is also a gifted singer and guitarist, and along with cellist **Joseph Hebert**, he plays a free online concert Monday on

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Trombonist Will Baker kicked off a new music series last month. The next installment arrives Friday, when a cellist and violinist perform from a balcony at Seventh and San Carlos.





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FOOD & WINE

Bars strive to become restaurants in the social distancing era

BAR OWNERS have had a particularly tough go of it during the pandemic, with the governor completely shutting them down following a brief reopening early this summer, but they are getting creative as the lockdown continues. According to the state board of alcoholic beverage control, bars can open if — and only if — they offer “bona fide meals” in conjunction with their wine, beer and cocktails.

If they do, they essentially function as restaurants and must follow the rules imposed on dining establishments, and as long as Monterey County remains in the most restrictive shutdown category, that means take-out and outdoor dining only.

The ABC’s standards for what constitutes bona fide meals are fairly strict. They can’t be pre-packaged sandwiches and salads, or appetizers and side dishes like fries and chicken wings.

Snacks such as bagged pretzels or popcorn aren’t meals, and neither are reheated refrigerated or frozen entrées. Just offering dessert won’t cut it, either.

“In short, the primary focus of the licensed premises should be on meal service, with the service of alcoholic beverages only as a secondary service in support of that primary focus,” according to the state.

Inspectors tasked with determining whether a bar’s food service suffices generally consider “the various menu offerings, availability during typical meal hours, and whether the food offered is served in a reasonable quantity and what a reasonable person might consider to be a meal consumed at breakfast, lunch or dinner.”

Multiple courses aren’t required, but “there should be a sufficient quantity that it would constitute a main course in a multiple-course dining experience.”

Sade’s

In Carmel, three businesses are licensed as bars: A.W. Shucks, which already functions more as a restaurant and therefore has no problem meeting the requirements, Barmel, which remains closed, and Sade’s, the longtime cash-only classic drinking establishment on Lincoln Street. As the pandemic and its resulting restrictions have dragged on, the owner of Sade’s, Parker Logan, has struggled to find a way to reopen.

After finally getting an OK from the city council last month, he developed a plan and is in the process of building a parklet outside his bar. Logan wants to sell all-you-can-eat pizza to patrons, preferably locals, who come to drink and dine at Sade’s, and he’s hoping to be open soon, possibly even by the weekend.

Fieldwork

Fieldwork Brewing Co. at 560 Munras Ave. in Monterey recently reopened with outdoor dining, collaborating with Pacific Bowls & Rolls just a few blocks away on Alvarado Street and also debuting “a new food menu featuring sweet and savory Fieldwork Waffles designed by our culinary director, Jeffrey Amber.”

With the addition of food, Fieldwork can accommodate customers in its expansive beer garden and is now open from noon to 9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, and noon

to 10 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Go to fieldworkbrewing.com for more information, including how to place orders for beer to go, which can be picked up curbside or delivered within a few miles of the downtown Monterey location.

Post No Bills

Post No Bills craft beer house at 600 Ortiz Ave. in Sand City has a rotating lineup of food trucks to feed customers in the outdoor patio Wednesday through Saturday each week and sells only beer to go on Sundays and Tuesdays. Post No Bills boasts an extensive and impressive lineup

Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

of craft beers in cans and bottles, and on tap, making it a must-visit for anyone who enjoys sipping cervezas.

To handle the outdoor dining part, Tortas Al 100 is there Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3 to 7 p.m., Tricycle Pizza shows up on Fridays during those same hours, and Porter’s Bar-B-Que serves on Saturdays from 1 to 7 p.m.

Tacos Al 100, based in Salinas, seeks to “bring unique and quality Mexican food, while offering over-the-top customer service,” and its menu features four different tortas, or sandwiches, creatively piled with all sorts of meats and garnishes in a variety of flavors.

At Tricycle Pizza, founder Danica Alvarado and her family “hand-make and wood-fire every pizza with lots of love using only fresh, clean ingredients we’d want to serve our family,” and their custom-built food truck is outfitted with glass windows so customers can watch their 10-inch pies bake. In addition to pepperoni, sausage mushroom, white truffle and others, Tricycle sells vegan and gluten-free pizzas.

And Marina-based Porter’s Bar-B-Cue, founded by welder Bryan Porter in Marina in 2013, turns out ribs, brisket, tri-tip, pulled pork and other meaty goodies on the rotisserie he fabricated himself.

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Estéban chef Gus Trejo is planning a multi-course dinner to be enjoyed with presentations from the Monterey Jazz Festival this month, while Porter’s BBQ can be found at Post No Bills on Saturdays.

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Pearl Hour

Another cash-only, 21-and-over establishment, Pearl Hour, is putting its back garden and patio to use by serving only coffee drinks during the daytime, and partnering with different purveyors during the evening hours on Fridays and weekends.

Recently, for instance, Seaside-based Ad Astra Bread served flatbreads with various meat toppings from PigWizard to complement locally brewed Other Brother beers and Pearl Hour custom cocktails.

With food in the offing, the bar can stay open to serve drinks from 5 p.m. on

Fridays and 2 p.m. on weekends until midnight. Last month, Café Guarani served empanadas during those hours.

Located at 214 Lighthouse Ave. in Monterey, Pearl Hour also has a bottle shop with reasonably priced, quality liquor and wine for sale, and the coffee shop opens at 7 a.m. Wednesday through Friday and 8 a.m. on weekends. To find out what local purveyors will be there next, find Pearl Hour's page on Facebook.

■ Parking for people

To stop people from trying to park in those awkward spots between restaurants' parklets in downtown Carmel, and to give dinner patrons somewhere to wait that doesn't involve crowding the sidewalk and

forcing passersby to walk in the street to avoid them, the city began placing large planters in some single spots. The planters also serve another purpose: They're made from the old, expensive fire pits briefly used on the beach before the less attractive but less controversial "smoke less" pits were purchased.

"The idea behind this is to provide a 'refuge' for patrons waiting for an outdoor seating table," city officials said.

■ Tasting room host loses home

Ross Allen, a longtime fixture on the Carmel Valley wine scene and a survivor of several brutal health issues (he's now battling leukemia) lost his home when the Carmel Fire raged through Cachagua a few weeks ago, and a fundraiser has been organized by his stepdaughter, Lauren Proulx.

"Although he is a devout Buddhist and is practicing the teachings of detachment and impermanence, he treasured some of the personal items he left behind," she

wrote on the gofundme.com page for her "Our Beloved Stepdad Lost his Home in Carmel Fire" fundraiser.

"He is currently safe in Pacific Grove but is seeking a more permanent solution to be close to his grandchildren," she added. "If you can help in any way, it would be greatly appreciated, as we are his only family and are grateful for any support during this challenging time."

Alex Lалlos, who manages the Chesebro Wines tasting room where Allen was working, also asked people to help.

"Ross is not much for worldly things (or charity for that matter), but we know he could use our help rebuilding his life," he wrote. "If you know Ross, you know what a sweet and gentle man he is."

■ Spanish food and jazz

Estéban Restaurant in the Casa Munras hotel at 700 Munras Ave. in Monterey is teaming up with organizers of the 63rd Monterey Jazz Festival to host a virtual

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For more details, visit the Facebook page for the New Camaldolese Hermitage.



Singer and guitarist Rick Chelew plays folk music in the garden at Massa Tasting Room in Carmel Valley, which offers a plenty of space for distancing.

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festival and dinner package Sept. 25-27 in the restaurant’s outdoor patio.

The three-course dinner costs \$150 plus tax and tip and will be served from 5 to 7 p.m., with choices of late harvest corn bisque with black truffle, heirloom beet salad, paella, Portuguese stew, beef short ribs and other dishes. While the price includes non-alcoholic drinks, the restaurant’s full bar will be open for additional purchases.

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ART

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Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

The pumpkins are made by glass artists Nick Leonoff, Nancy Francioli, Mark Stephenson and Kevin Chong. They sell for \$45 to \$95 each.

"Shop early to get your favorite pick," MEarth executive director Ben Eichorn suggested. "And check back because we're going to add some incredibly beautiful work throughout the event."

While most of the money raised will benefit MEarth's many programs — which seek to "inspire youth and adults alike to be better stewards for ourselves, our com-

munities, and our environment" — some of the proceeds will be donated to Community Foundation for Monterey County's COVID-19 and fire relief funds.

Glass pumpkins will be available for pickup at Carmel Middle School Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 20-21, and 26-27, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A "drive-thru" with "zero-contact" will be set up.

■ The coast is calling

Using his camera and his imagination, Bob Kolbrener captures the many moods of our coastline in his latest show, "Perfect Vision 2020: From Ocean to Sky," which is on display at westongallery.com.

Inspired by Ansel Adams' work to become a fine art photographer, Kolbrener studied with the master before teaching alongside him.

His creative journey has led him to the western edge of the continent.

"Bob's muse is the California coast," gallery owner Davi Weston told The Pine

Cone. "Having first been inspired by his colleague, the great landscape legend Ansel Adams, he is now one of the country's most notable contemporary black and white photographers."

The downtown gallery, which is located on Sixth between Dolores and Lincoln, is open by appointment.

■ Adams, Weston in show

Using a standard format to create extraordinary images, more than 100 photographers have donated work for the the Center for Photographic Art's annual 8x10 Fundraising Exhibition, which opens Saturday at 4 p.m. with a virtual reception.

"It's time for CPA's most exciting and important fundraiser of the year," executive director Ann Jastrab announced. "Our gallery will be filled with a wide-ranging

selection of small framed works of art generously donated by our talented community of photographers."

Besides showcasing up-and-coming photographers, the show will feature work by a few local legends. "We are pleased to report that our fundraising exhibition will have works by each of the founders of the Friends of Photography: Ansel Adams, Wynn Bullock and Cole Weston," Jastrab added.

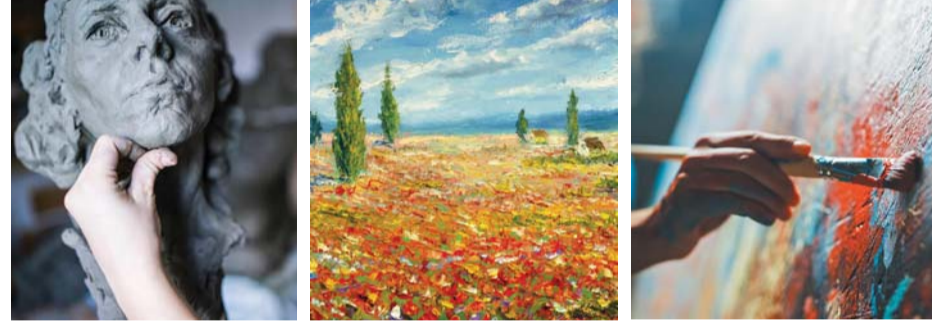
The center can trace its roots to the Friends of Photography, which was started in 1967.

While the 8x10 show is online, the center is open Friday through Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. and by appointment.

The display and auction close Oct. 29. The center is located in Sunset Center at San Carlos and Ninth. For more details, visit photography.org.



Glass artists Nick Leonoff, Nancy Francioli, Mark Stephenson and Kevin Chong have created hundreds of glass pumpkins for an online fundraiser that will benefit MEarth's Hilton Bialek Habitat.

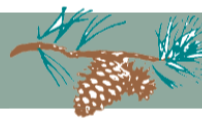


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individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 30, 1998.
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that ELLEN KATIE POOLE be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act.

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HISTORY

From page 25A

Between 1919 and 1923, no fewer than 20 films we made in the area — including the first “million-dollar movie production,” Erich von Stroheim’s “Foolish Wives.” Set in and around Monte Carlo, many views of the Monterey County coastline can be seen. The Lone Cypress even made a cameo. While most feature films of the day were three to five reels, von Stroheim, who wrote, directed, and starred in this epic, reportedly shot 360 reels for this Uni-

versal picture.

The company spent more than four months on the Peninsula. Construction of an elaborate set at Point Lobos began in August 1920. In a clever fundraiser, producers attracted hundreds from San Francisco society to pay for the privilege of being extras in the Monte Carlo scenes which were filmed from morning to night on Nov. 28, 1920. In exchange, Universal donated \$5,000 to two San Francisco charities. Filming in Monterey County continued through mid-January 1921, when the sets were struck.

Von Stroheim’s original cut, in August 1921, consisted of 33 reels requiring eight hours of watching. Universal president Carl Laemmle announced in October his desire

to cut it down to 14 reels before its national release. It opened in New York’s Central Theater on Jan. 11, 1922. Due to its length, there were only two showings a day — at 2:15 and 8:15. A week later, the film was still playing to sell-out crowds. By the time it reached San Francisco, it was down to 10 reels. A two-hour and twenty-minute cut can be watched on YouTube.

Settling down

No major movie company brought its headquarters to the Peninsula, but the area became a favorite of Hollywood with scores of luminaries vacationing here and, over the years, some even buying homes. The county’s diverse scenery has portrayed an international palette of settings, occasionally even portraying itself, as in Eastwood’s “Misty.”

The Monterey County Film Commission provides a list of nearly 200 movies with scenes from Monterey County. It does not even include the many made-for-television movies, like one of my favorites, the Hallmark Hall of Fame’s, “Winter of our Discontent” (1983) with Donald Sutherland, filmed entirely in Pacific Grove.

With all the movies now available for streaming, you never know when (or how) our modest little area will show up on the screen.

Happy watching!

Neal Hotelling has been re(left) searching and writing about Monterey County history for more than three decades. His email is nbhotelling@msn.com.



PHOTOS/(LEFT) JULIAN P. GRAHAM, PEBBLE BEACH CO. LAGORIO ARCHIVE, (RIGHT) PAT HATHAWAY

(Left) Silent film stars Douglas Fairbanks and Mary Pickford enjoyed leisure activities on the Peninsula in the 1920s. (Right) A small portion of the massive Monte Carlo set built at Point Lobos in 1920 for the filming of “Foolish Wives” (1922). Hundreds of San Francisco socialites paid for the privilege of being extras.

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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]

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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. 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. [PC921]

SUMMONS

(Citation Judicial)
CASE NUMBER: 20CV000625

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

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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.

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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 DÍAS 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.

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The name and address of the court is (El nombre y dirección de la corte es):
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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 teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):
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Date: Feb. 14, 2020
(s) Lorrie Ford, Deputy
Publication Dates: Sept. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 2020. [PC922]

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201538
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **ADONAI CREATIONS, 1543 Duran Street, Salinas, CA 93906.** County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY. Registered Owner(s): TIERA JINEAN CHESTER-CORTES, 1543 Duran Street, 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. 1, 2020. S/Tiera J. Chester-Cortes Sept. 10, 2020

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 10, 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. 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9, 2020. [PC924]

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201576
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **TURTLE WOMEN RISING, 883 Abrego Street, Monterey, CA 93940.** Mailing address: P.O. Box 222503, Carmel, CA 93922. County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey County. Name of Corporation or as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: HEALING AND RECONCILIATION INSTITUTE, 883 Abrego Street, Monterey, CA 93940. 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/Majia D. West, CEO Date: Sept. 9, 2020

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 9, 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. 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9, 2020. [PC925]

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201538
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **MOSS LANDING COFFEE, 7990 CA-1, Moss Landing, CA 95039.** County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY. Registered Owner(s): JOSEPH O. MURILLO RENATA B. MURILLO This business is conducted by a married couple. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. S/Joseph Murillo Aug. 2, 2020

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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. 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9, 2020. [PC926]

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

File No. 20201574
Filing type: ABANDONMENT. County of Filing: Monterey Date of Original Filing: Oct. 27, 2015 File No.: 20152155 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **BLANKETS-BY-THE-BAY, 1265 Seaview Avenue, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.** Name of Registered Owner(s): JASNA NORRIS, 1265 Seaview Avenue, Pacific Grove, CA 93950. County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey. This business is conducted by an individual. S/Jasna Norris Sept. 9, 2020

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 9, 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. 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9, 2020. [PC927]

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 20CV002442
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, RUSS LYMAN ABERNATHY aka RUSSELL LYMAN KELLY, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A. Present name: RUSS LYMAN ABERNATHY aka RUSSELL LYMAN KELLY
Proposed name: RUSS LYMAN ABERNATHY

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

NOTICE OF HEARING:
DATE: November 13, 2020
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
DEPT: 14

The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

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

(s) Lydia M. Villarreal
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: Sept. 14, 2020
Publication dates: Sept. 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9, 2020. [PC928]

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201557
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **BIG LITTLE BOXES, San Carlos St. between Ocean & 7th, Carmel by the Sea, CA 93921.** Mailing address: P.O. Box 2018, Carmel by the Sea, CA 93921. County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY. Registered Owner(s): LINDA SUSAN PERSALL 2 CRAMDEN DRIVE, MONTEREY, CA 93940 This business is conducted by an individual. S/Linda Susan Persall Sept. 4, 2020

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 4, 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. 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9, 2020. [PC929]

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201466
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **DIRTY GIRL PLANT CO., 1130 Fremont Blvd. #105-275, Seaside, CA 93955.** County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY. Registered Owner(s): KIMBERLY SARA FRANCES MOZAL This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 24, 2020. S/Kimberly Sara Frances Mozal Aug. 24, 2020

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Aug. 24, 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. 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9, 2020. [PC930]

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201644
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **WYATTS GYM, 711 Bandholz Ct., Marina, CA 93933.** County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY. Registered Owner(s): DANIEL ANTHONY SISNEROS, 711 Bandholz Ct., Marina, CA 93933. This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 10, 2020. S/Daniel Anthony Sisneros Sept. 16, 2020

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 16, 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. 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9, 2020. [PC931]

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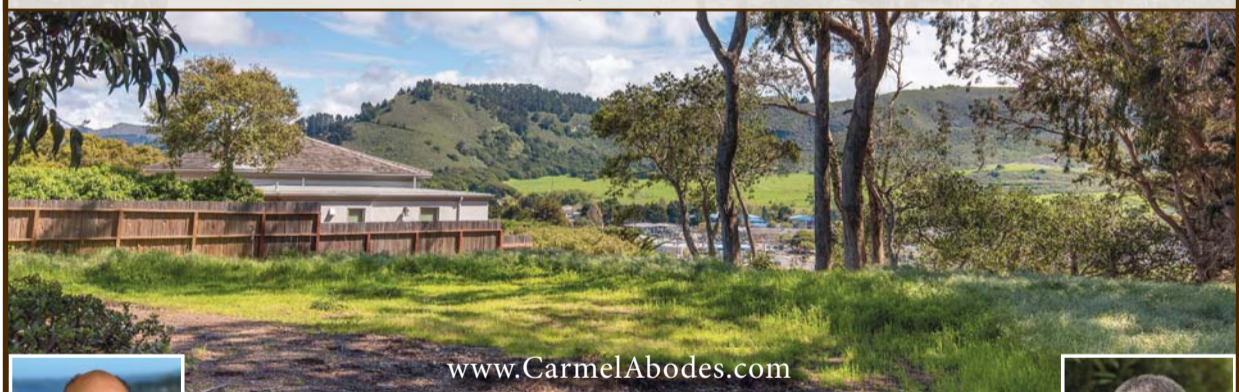


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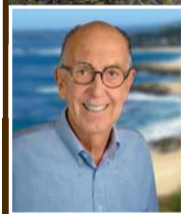
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Monte Verde Street, 2 SE of 13th Avenue — \$3,450,000

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APN: 010-173-042



7548 Monterra Ranch Road, Highway 68 — \$3,150,000

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David and Joan O'Reilly to Lawrence Abrahams and Helen Nowacek
APN: 010-301-031

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APN: 241-122-004

35838 Highway 1 — \$5,100,000

John Hoch and Brenda Sunseri to Donald Davis
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7 Del Mesa Carmel — \$575,000

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The case of the elusive hearing aid

I'VE LOST my share of items over the years — pens, keys, socks, girlfriends. Yet nothing distressed me more than the loss of a hearing aid several years ago. I discovered it was missing while attending the theater in downtown Carmel with a lovely female companion. We searched the area around our seats and checked at the office to see if anyone had turned it in.

Then we drove back to her place, thoroughly checking her driveway, the area around her front door, and her living quarters. I was sure I had them when I left home, but still checked my place with the thoroughness of a drug-sniffing dog checking the luggage at an airport. Hearing aids, after all, are tediously expensive.

There was only one thing to do. I called the world's foremost sleuth, Sherlock Holmes, to help me find it.

"Come at once if convenient — if not convenient, come all the same," I implored.

Process of elimination

Mr. Holmes arrived in a trice, and the first thing he did was ask what I was wearing the fatal night I lost the hearing aid.

"Why is that important?"

"Data! Data! Data!" he cried impatiently. "I can't make bricks without clay."

"I was wearing gray slacks and a black V-neck sweater," I said.

"And were you wearing your hearing aids when you donned the sweater?"

"Yes, I had been wearing them all day."

"Aha, it is obvious that in the act of pulling the sweater over your head you dislodged the hearing aid. It became trapped between your body and the sweater and somehow slipped out while you were moving about. We have to find that place."

It made sense.

"You've obviously searched your quarters and your motorcar. You've searched

the theater, and no one turned in a hearing aid. By process of elimination, I would say the object was lost somewhere near your friend's house."

Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVAISE

Holmes used a huge magnifying glass to examine the driveway as well as the area around my friend's front door — nothing, except an empty bird's nest that had fallen to the ground. Then the great detective noticed a birdbath and several feeders on my friend's patio.

"Hmm," he hemmed. "A bird bath and feeders. Popular attractions for birds."

"What are you thinking?"

"I do not like to create mysteries, and at this present moment, it is most impossible to go into long and recondite explanations," Holmes said. "But I have a theory your hearing aid is close by and will turn up soon. I think it went missing right in this area."

"How can you be sure?" I asked.

"You know my method. It is founded on the observation of trifles."

I was losing faith in his methods.

Holmes urged me not to be despondent. "The theories which I have expressed, and which appear to you to be so chimerical, are really extremely practical — so practical that I depend upon them for my bread and cheese."

An unexpected discovery

Two weeks passed when my friend called. She had just found the hearing aid near her front door in an area Holmes and I had searched thoroughly and which she passed every day. The hearing aid was

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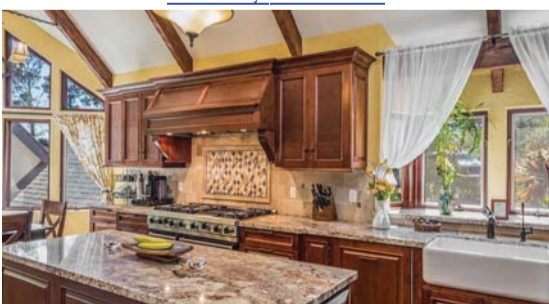
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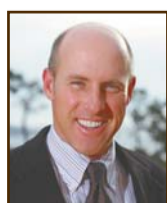


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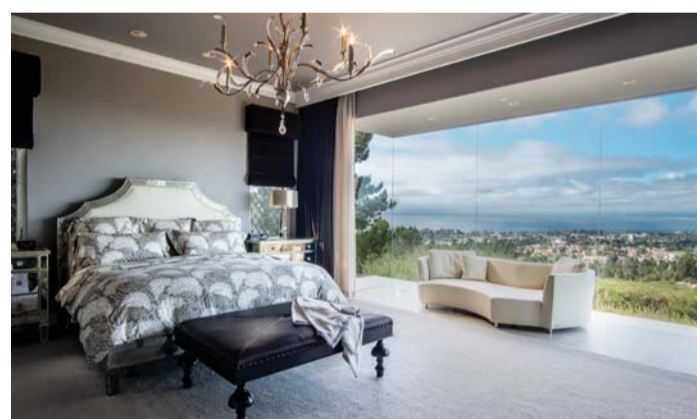


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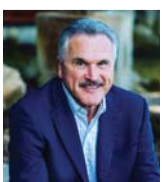


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grimy, but when I cleaned it and replaced the battery it worked.

Holmes was not surprised. “It bears out my theory,” he said. “I knew that a bird had found your hearing aid. I just wasn’t sure

where the bird would return it when the battery died.”

I didn’t understand.

“You see,” Holmes explained, “birds have a relatively narrow hearing range and poor hearing at high frequencies. The similarity in hearing between birds and humans in the frequency range of 1-5kHz is striking.”

“You mean a bird was using my hearing

aid?”

“Yes, and when the battery ran down it emitted a steady beep, which was undoubtedly annoying; so in the name of maintaining peace in the nest, the bird discarded the hearing aid, quite conveniently at your friend’s front door.”

“That sounds neither possible nor probable.”

“When you have eliminated the impossible, whatever remains, however improbable, must be true. I am Sherlock Holmes and it is my business to know what other people don’t.”

“I guess I am fortunate it was found by a local bird,” I said. “And not one that flies south for the winter.”

“The bird would not have taken yours along on its flight.” Holmes smiled enigmatically.

“How can you possibly know that?”

“Elementary, my dear chap. Why carry it all that distance when there are more than enough hearing aids in Florida?”

I am still prone to losing things. Recently, I again lost a hearing aid. I was at the Crossroads Shopping Center getting into my car when I yanked my protective mask off. It wasn’t until I was back home that I discovered a hearing aid was missing. I tore the car apart and then retraced my steps, even driving back to where I had parked. Nothing. I didn’t need Holmes this time. The hearing aid was under warranty for loss.

“How do you know it’s still under warranty?” my friend asked.

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