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First aeriels from Cachagua, Salinas Valley fires



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Three homes where the residents used to be next-door neighbors (top left) are just rubble and debris close to where the River Fire started in August in the hills above the Salinas Valley. An arched structure (top right) is all that remains of a remote home in the Sky Ranch area of Cachagua that also burned. While the two fires destroyed dozens of homes and scorched tens of thousands of acres, some hilltop houses in Las Palmas survived (above right), as did the Jamesburg Earth Station (above left), a remnant of global communications a half-century ago.

Parents get tight deadline to decide on schooling

By MARY SCHLEY

THOSE WITH younger children in the Carmel Unified School District have one week to decide whether their kids will return to the classroom when schools eventually reopen, interim superintendent Trisha Dellis told the school board Wednesday night.

Online learning has not been very successful, according to parents who say there are too many distractions at home that get in the way of learning, and that all the screen time isn't healthy, and neither is missing out on the social interaction that school usually offers. Other parents defended it as a necessary coronavirus-prevention measure that's actually working quite well.

Both sides were represented at the six-hour meeting, which also included an update on the district's 128-page safety plan detailing everything related to preventing, detecting and containing the spread of coronavirus, and a review of the hybrid plan that will be used when the county and state allow students to return to the classroom. The plan calls for having small groups of students at school and at home on alternating days, so they would get time with their teachers and a few of their peers a couple of days a week and then study from home, without teacher

See **SCHOOLS** page 14A

MORE BUSINESSES CAN REOPEN INDOORS

By KELLY NIX

IF YOU'VE been waiting to get a coronavirus-inspired tattoo, a nose piercing or a bikini wax, you can do that now, thanks to state officials who this week permitted the types of businesses that offer those services to reopen indoors, even in Monterey County.

On Tuesday, the California Department of Public Health modified the rules for personal care services, including tattooing, waxing, piercing, skin care services, and massage therapy. The relaxation of the rules applies to any county regardless of what reopening tier it is in. Monterey County is still in the most restrictive tier, indicated by the color purple.

"Prior to this, personal care services, such as massage, body art, hair removal and skin care services, had been only allowed outside or were closed," Monterey County Health Department spokeswoman Karen Smith told news reporters Wednesday. "With the new guidance released yesterday, those are all open inside with some additional considerations or modifications."

The conditions include the usual distancing, face cover-

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Officials: No evidence of racism at P.G. City Hall

By KELLY NIX

THE CITY of Pacific Grove has no record of current or former employees, or anyone else, having alleged they were denied jobs or promotions with the city because of their race, despite a claim by a city councilwoman that "systemic racism" is pervasive in P.G.

Councilwoman Jenny McAdams early this month proposed a document called an "equity and empowerment

initiative" which she said would in part "address the issue of systemic racism and prejudice in our community," including in city government.

"There is no simple, easy solution for dismantling systemic racism or achieving justice," her document says. "Evaluating city strategies, policies, and working together with community members and stakeholders is integral to securing justice and equality for all in Pacific Grove."

PRA request

Asked for examples or evidence of systemic racism, McAdams was unable to provide any, instead claiming "there is systemic racism everywhere."

"I am not sure of evidence," she told The Pine Cone on Oct. 5. "But you can do a public records request for employee or resident complaints."

See **RACISM** page 13A

Amazon un-cancels Steele documentary

■ 'What Killed Michael Brown?' online

By CHRIS COUNTS

A WEEK after telling a local filmmaker and his son that it wouldn't carry a documentary they made about the death of Michael Brown and the racial unrest that followed, Amazon reversed its stance Oct. 20 and is now offering the film, which concludes that racism didn't kill Michael Brown.

And not only that — as of Thursday, the film was trending at No. 3 on Amazon's list of best-selling documentaries.

"Great news!" reported Eli Steele, who made "What Killed Michael Brown?" with his dad, Shelby Steele, who lives in Pebble Beach. "Amazon reached out to us today."

Previously, Amazon had told the Steeles the film didn't meet its "content quality expectations," and that it wasn't even willing to discuss the issue. But the online retail giant was blasted last week by the Wall Street Journal's editorial

See **FILM** page 21A

Esalen reopens: couples' workshop, hot tubs on menu

By CHRIS COUNTS

CREDITED WITH being the birthplace of the Human Potential Movement — and today a popular workshop center and hot-spring getaway — Esalen Institute in Big Sur will start welcoming back guests Friday for the first time in seven months.

For now, visitors will be limited to couples attending a workshop, "Creating Connection through the Rituals of Esalen." Those sessions, which run Monday through Friday, and includes room and board, will be offered weekly through Dec. 18.

"We are inviting guests to embrace key Esalen rituals that will help them dive deep into their own understanding of what it takes to fully connect to effect change and usher in a more just, creative and sustainable future for

the benefit of all human beings during this pivotal time in history," said Terry Gilbey, general manager and CEO of Esalen. "If 2020 has taught us anything, it is that we must be willing to let go of something so that we can give birth to something brand new. It has never been more vital to create rituals around the significant life transitions that are happening all around us."

Connecting and distancing

For Esalen — which is located 40 miles south of Carmel along Highway 1 — the distancing era comes with many challenges. Famous for its hot baths, its massage school and its busy slate of workshops that draw people from all over the world, Esalen is a place where people

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By Lisa Crawford Watson

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might even egg him on.

"Lulu and Bear are totally outside animals, who only come inside at night for bed," their person said. "They prefer to be outside, on patrol. That's what they do, because they're bred to protect goats and sheep and make sure nothing is attacking their herd. We are their herd, and they spend their day barking on our behalf."

This is particularly true when their herd is at home, sheltering in place.

Lulu and Bear have been to the beach, but not recently.

"The beach? No, we tried that," their person said. "Pyrenees are wanderers, so if you take them off leash, they hightail it and are gone. We tried to socialize Lulu on the beach when she was a year old, but she did her job to protect us and let each smaller dog in her path know she was boss."

They're better on a leash around the neighborhood, and they're great when all is well with their herd.

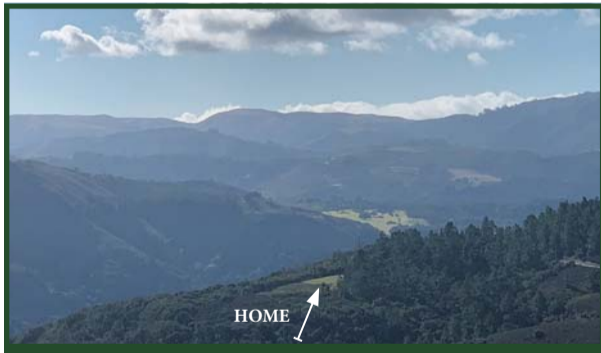
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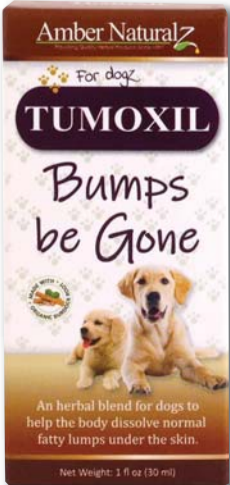


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City helps restaurants, opens post office lot for off-hours parking

By MARY SCHLEY

WITH DOZENS of downtown parking spaces now occupied by outdoor restaurant seating, city officials are searching for ways to free up space elsewhere to accommodate locals and visitors wishing to shop and dine here. On Wednesday morning, the traffic safety committee — comprising Police Chief Paul Tomasi, public works director Bob Harary and acting planning director Marnie Waffle — voted to end the 10-minute parking limit in the post office parking lot at 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, instead of 7 p.m., and to not enforce it at all on Sundays.

The change reflects the fact the box lobby, where people can fetch their mail even when the post office is closed, is no longer accessible 24 hours a day.

In May, the U.S. Postal Service changed the lobby hours to 6 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, with the building remaining closed on Sundays.

Officials said at the time it was due to security concerns, given some recent break-ins to post office boxes, but they made no suggestion the building would ever return to being open 24/7.

“There was a suggestion to change the hours in the lot and reduce it to when the post office closes,” Tomasi said at the Oct. 21 meeting. “If the post office closes at 4:30 p.m., it doesn’t seem to make sense to keep parking at 10 minutes until 7 p.m.” He also favored the idea of not enforcing the 10-minute limit at all on Sundays.

People who want to dine and shop in town could park in the lot for as long as they want whenever the timed parking isn’t being enforced.

The only member of the public to speak during the meeting was resident Karen Ferlito, who worried that short-term rent-

ers would park in the lot overnight and not move their cars by 8 a.m. when enforcement kicks in. The lot is typically quite busy during postal business hours. “I think there will be confusion about the usage of the lot unless the signage is really clear,” Ferlito said. “I was there the other day and it was busy, and I saw people park there and walk away to go to a restaurant.”

But parking in the lot for too long during post office hours could be expensive. “You could get a \$40 ticket every 10 minutes,” Tomasi said.

Ultimately, the committee unanimously voted to OK the change in enforcement hours in the post office lot to allow people to park there for as long as they want after 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and all day on Sunday.

Other parking issues

Ferlito also mentioned the longstanding problem of employees taking up parking spaces downtown, and she asked the committee to consider extending parking limits in town from two to three hours to give people more time to shop and eat.

City officials for years have been trying to convince workers to park in one of the city’s all-day lots or on the outskirts of the commercial district, where no time limits are imposed. “It’s still up to the businesses to police that,” Tomasi said.

But employees parking downtown and then moving their cars every two hours to avoid getting tickets is “a game that’s been played in this community for probably 75 or 80 years.”

Tomasi said the committee might review downtown parking sometime in the future, but not anytime soon.

“I don’t think we have the capacity to study it right now,” he said. “We need to get through this pandemic, and we have some other issues.”



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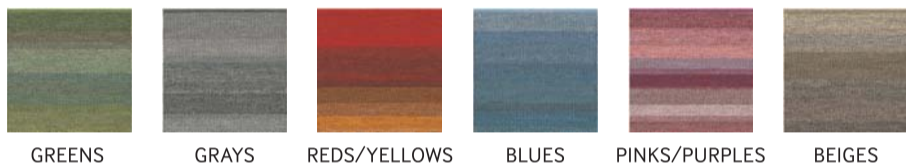
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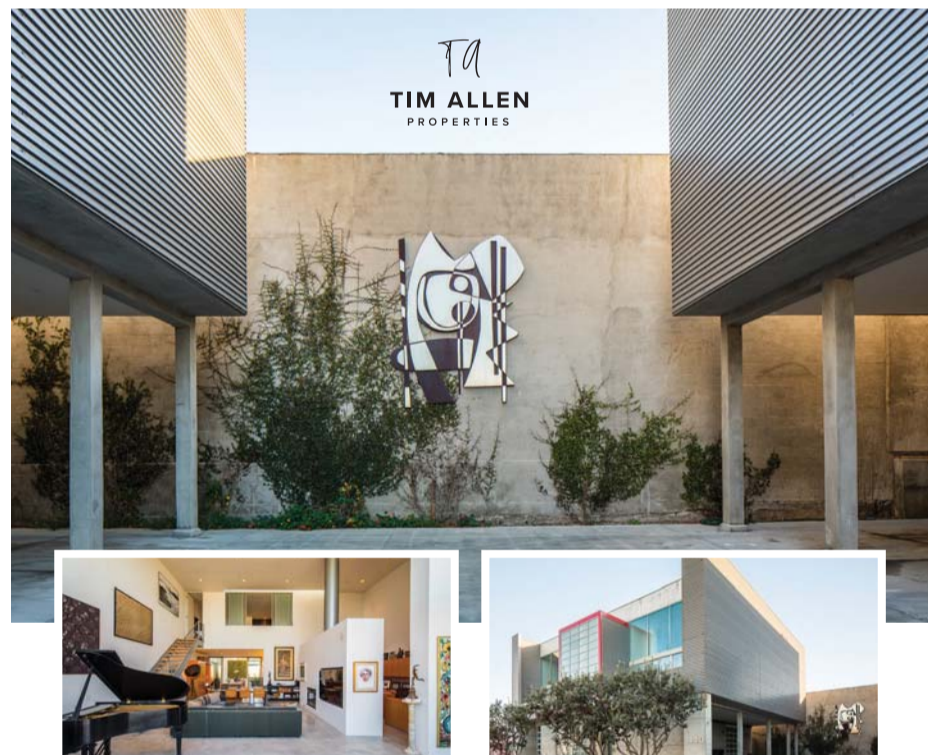
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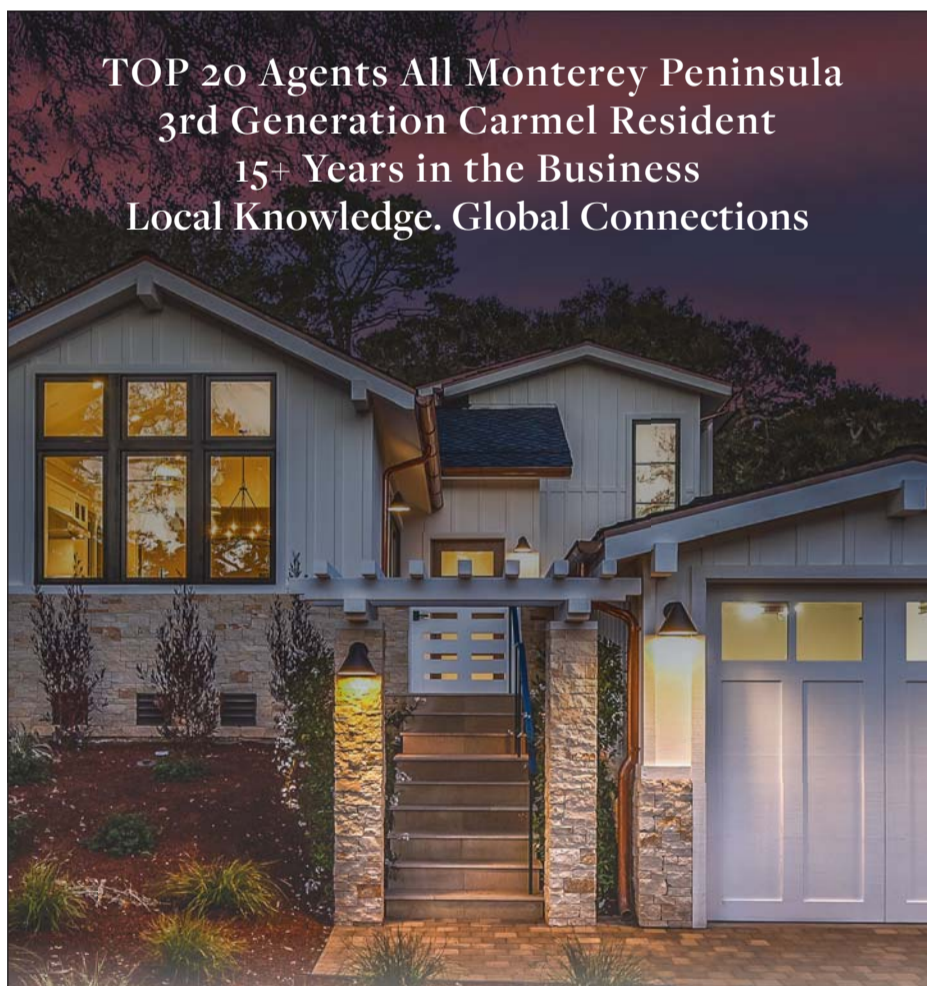
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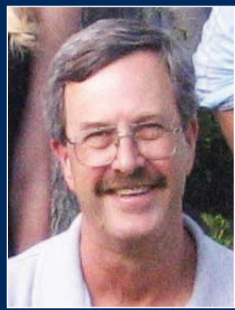


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Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

The case of the phantom parakeet

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

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Homeowner reported lack of payment from a tenant renting her residence on Lincoln south of Third. Officer contacted both parties, but both provided a different series of events. Ultimately, homeowner advised she would pursue civil litigation with tenant and desired no further follow-up.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle owner reported that she felt a bump to her van at Scenic and 11th while seated in the back. Looked out the front window and saw a grey Toyota that had backed into her van. Vehicle owner could not tell if there was any damage to her vehicle, and when confronting the driver of the grey vehicle, the driver removed her license plate so the she couldn't take a picture of it. Driver of the grey vehicle then quickly left the scene. She didn't want to make a report, only wanted the driver of grey vehicle contacted and on record. She provided a picture of the vehicle.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic stop at San Carlos and Eighth at 2239 hours led to the 62-year-old male driver being cited for driving while suspended for DUI and probation violation. Vehicle was placed on a 30-day

hold.

Pacific Grove: Stolen vehicle was recovered on Sunset Drive.

Pacific Grove: A 37-year-old male was arrested on Arkwright Court for domestic violence.

Pacific Grove: Vandalism on Alder Street.
Pacific Grove: Fraud reported on Ocean View Boulevard.

Pacific Grove: Unknown subject spray painted a word on the rec trail mural.

Pebble Beach: Unknown subject(s) broke into a tool shed on Club Road and stole landscaping equipment.

Carmel area: Law enforcement responded to a female subject causing a disturbance at a business on Carmel Rancho Boulevard. Female subject was contacted and placed on a 5150 W&I hold [danger to self or others].

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 38-year-old male who works in the oil industry in Houston was causing a peace disturbance at San Carlos and Fourth at 0119 hours and was arrested for possession of cocaine and being drunk in public. Subject lodged at county jail.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female lost her driver's license somewhere near the post office.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Unattended death at a residence on Lasuen. Coroner called.

See **POLICE LOG** page 12RE in the Real Estate Section



The gavel falls

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

Sept. 3 — Vincent Oscar Izaguirre, 35, a resident of Salinas, has been sentenced to prison for two separate incidents of driving with a blood alcohol level over the legal limit.

On Nov. 2, 2019, at approximately 11:07 p.m., Salinas police officers responded to a report of a hit-and-run collision around San Juan Grade and Boronda Road. The victim of the hit-and-run reported that he had been stopped at a red light when he was hit from behind by Izaguirre's vehicle. Izaguirre immediately left the scene of the accident, but the victim was able to provide officers with a license plate number.

Officers tracked Izaguirre down at his apartment complex. When they spoke with him, his speech was slurred, his eyes were red, and he was unsteady on his feet. Izaguirre also did not perform adequately on the field sobriety tests that were administered to him. Izaguirre provided a blood sample that revealed he had a blood alcohol concentration of .22 percent. In California, anyone who drives a vehicle with a blood alcohol concentration of .08 percent or above is presumed to be under the influence of alcohol, regardless of how well that person drives.

While awaiting trial on his charges for the above incident, Izaguirre was found to be driving under the influence again. On Feb. 10, 2020, at 1:46 a.m., Salinas police officers responded to a report that a man had crashed his vehicle into a tree at 900 Work

St. and then walked away. They were able to track Izaguirre down at a nearby gas station a short time later. Izaguirre admitted to driving the crashed vehicle and was found to have a blood alcohol concentration of .25 percent.

Izaguirre pled to two felony counts of driving under the influence of alcohol and admitted to an enhancement for driving with an excessively high blood alcohol content.

The Honorable Carrie M. Panetta sentenced Izaguirre to serve two years and eight months in prison for his crimes.

Sept. 8 — Adrian Rojas Gonzalez, 25, a resident of Salinas, was sentenced by Judge Pamela L. Butler to serve two years and eight months in the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation for driving under the influence of alcohol. Gonzalez was subject to felony charges due to his prior felony conviction for driving under the influence alcohol in 2018.

On Feb. 5, 2020, at 10:35 p.m., California Highway Patrol officers were dispatched to a minor injury traffic collision on Boronda Road, just west of North Davis Road. When officers arrived, they saw a vehicle with minor collision damage in a ditch against a dirt embankment on the south side of Boronda Road. The vehicle was unlocked and there was blood on the steering wheel, but no one was nearby.

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MARINA MAN HEADING TO PRISON FOR FIERY McDONALD'S CRASH

By MARY SCHLEY

THE MCDONALD'S destroyed by fire after a drugged driver smashed into it in June 2018 has already been rebuilt and is now open, while the man who caused the conflagration has just been handed his punishment for it.

On Oct. 8, Monterey County Superior Court Judge Mark Hood sentenced Joseph Roy Wineman of Marina to two years in prison.

Wineman, 36, has a record going back to 2004 that includes more than 30 felonies and misdemeanors, many involving drugs, as well as several traffic cases. Shortly before 5 a.m. on June 5, 2018, he was driving with friends in the area of Canyon del Rey and Del Monte when he lost control of the car and crashed at high speed into the McDonald's on Canyon del Rey, striking its gas meter in the process.

Seaside officers arrived to find Wineman's car on its side and the fast-food restaurant in flames. A witness told them he saw the speeding car go out of control and roll over "into the building," according to deputy district attorney Lindsey O'Shea.

"The witness observed Wineman crawling out of the rear window of the vehicle," the prosecutor added, and one of the passengers later admitted to police that Wine-

man had taken a hit off a meth pipe that had been passed around earlier.

"Officers observed that Wineman was displaying symptoms of being under the influence of a central nervous system stimulant, and a blood test revealed that he was positive for methamphetamine on the date of the collision," O'Shea said.

Wineman was most recently arrested by Sand City P.D. June 3, when he was taken into custody on various misdemeanor drug charges. He pleaded guilty in court June 23, and sentencing for that case was included in the sentencing for his felony DUI.

In addition, Ines Mejia has sued Wineman, as well as someone named Veronica Moncayo, for injuries she sustained in the crash.

On June 16, Mejia filed a personal injury suit in Monterey County Superior Court alleging wage loss, loss of use of property, hospital and medical expenses, general damage, property damage and loss of earning capacity. She's seeking compensation for all of that, as well as legal costs. Mejia did not say what her involvement was or what injuries she sustained.

Meanwhile, the McDonald's has since been completely rebuilt, again as a large, two-story restaurant, and has reopened for business.



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Projectile guy hearing delayed

By MARY SCHLEY

REMEMBER BACK before the coronavirus pandemic, when there was the projectile guy?

Charles Lafferty, 53, has remained in Monterey County Jail since he was arrested in San Luis Obispo County Jan. 22 after officers identified him as the man who had

been terrorizing drivers on Highway 101 and other roads in the Prunedale area for nearly a year by attacking vehicles with glass marbles fired from a slingshot.

Court hearings — including the preliminary hearing at which a judge will hear the evidence against Lafferty and de-

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Hotel group takes on insurance co. in fight over coronavirus coverage

By MARY SCHLEY

WITH ITS four Carmel hotels and an inn in Half Moon Bay shut down for months due to the governor's pandemic-induced shelter-in-place order imposed in March, Inns by the Sea filed a claim with its insurance company for the losses. California Mutual Insurance Company refused to pay out, the hotel operator sued and lost, and the case is now in the state Appeals Court.

But the attorneys who filed it want the California Supreme Court to take up the matter, because the outcome will affect thousands of businesses throughout the state and country, according to Sam Ferguson of The Meade Firm, one of the three law offices filing the suit.

Is 'all risk' really all risk?

At issue is whether "all-risk" coverage includes the financial losses resulting from the pandemic. The insurance companies have argued that since coronavirus doesn't cause "physical loss of or damage to" property, any losses due to a virus outbreak on the property or related government-imposed shutdowns are not covered.

But the Inns by the Sea case, along with about 1,300 similar lawsuits filed throughout the country, alleges insurance companies have to pay out because a policyholder "would reasonably expect the standard form 'physical loss of or damage to' provision in an 'all risk' property insurance policy to cover business interruption losses caused by Covid-19 (and the governmental orders resulting therefrom) because Covid-19 has caused the loss of safe and intended use of insured property."

"We think the law is clear. The standard in California is the insurance contract is to be interpreted as the insured would reasonably understand it, and any ambiguities are

to be construed in favor of coverage," Ferguson told The Pine Cone Thursday. "The law is designed to require the insurance companies to be very specific if they are going to exclude something from coverage."

Indeed, after the SARS epidemic, the insurance industry even developed language for a specific virus-based exclusion, but the Inns by the Sea policy, like many others, does not include it. The very existence of that exclusion implies that the damage caused by a virus, like coronavirus, would be covered.

"It functions as an acknowledgment that the loss affirmatively triggers the policy," the complaint states. "Otherwise, there would be no need for the exclusion."

In Monterey County Superior Court in early September, a judge ruled in favor of the insurance company, which argued that a payout wasn't required because there was no physical damage to the hotels.

Three days later, the attorneys — including those from Reiser Law in Walnut Creek and Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP in San Francisco — took their case to the 6th District Court of Appeals. Among other points, they argue that courts in the past have forced insurance companies to pay out for business interruption due to conditions that didn't cause physical damage, including smoke preventing the Oregon Shakespeare Festival from running, ammonia shutting down a factory, and businesses impacted by E. coli, carbon monoxide and asbestos.

Time is of the essence

After the Monterey County Superior Court took more than a month to send the records to the Appellate Court, the lawyers decided to request the case be transferred

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A Brief Encounter

A few years ago, I was bumping around Eritrea, one of the poorest countries in East Africa. My dear friend Jonathan Boyer has just invited me to join him in Rwanda. Jonathan was the first American to race in the Tour de France. He was now the Rwandan and Ethiopian Olympic cycling coach. I knew many of his team riders personally as they had stayed in my Teepee in Carmel when they were on tour in the U.S. I eagerly accepted his invitation to come to Africa.

For weeks I followed the riders up and over every volcano. At every turn there were warm smiles and even tears as the crowds cheered us on. Sometimes on our deepest descents, we reached 60 miles an hour through the rainforest where beautiful Silverback Gorillas struggled to survive. Life was fragile in this poor central African country. The machete scars on the backs and necks of those that survived were a constant memory of the brutal past. Somehow the team of racers in their colorful new jersey gave the country hope. I saw the healing of wounds of genocide. The team was equally made up of Tutsis and Hutus.

Two weeks later we left for Asmara to train the Eritrean riders. Asmara was a beautiful capital, a veritable Art Deco jewel reminiscent of the previous Italian colonialists. It was a steep descent of 100 switchbacks to Massawa. We were chased by menacing baboons. But arrived white-knuckled in Massawa. Massawa was a ghost town. Not a soul nor a sound on the streets, pock marked mosques and bombed buildings, rubble everywhere. Time has totally stopped in this forlorn corner of hell just the sound of buzzing flies. The temperature was rising past 115 degrees. I walked the streets looking for some sign of life. I found a slightly cracked door that creaked open as I timorously ventured forth. In the dark shadow I saw a woman fanning her charcoal fire. The aroma that emanated was so pungent. She was roasting her coffee beans. My sudden appearance should have startled her. Her green eyes pierced the obscurity of her dark redoubt.

I had the uneasy feeling that she may be expecting me. Her smile bade me to sit and quickly a young child put before me a fragrant mango with chili pepper and lime. The woman's face was half veiled and in light of the cracked door what I thought were tattoos showed clearly the scarification of her Rashida Tribe. The Rasheeda were the most feared of all the warriors that wrenched victory from the hands of the Ethiopians.

Not a word spoken between us. Just a hand held over her heart was the universal sign of welcome. She was so beautiful. Soon, an imposing man entered the place where I sat. Again, silence. His hand over his heart, I discerned his unspoken words of Salaam aleikum and I felt welcomed. In that brief moment, I felt we shared something. As he left, he turned to me, and as a sign of respect, he departed not turning his back on me. He mysteriously left the room as silently as he entered.

Soon, steaming soup was brought to me, and next, the most delicious cup of coffee I ever tasted. Time stood still. I wanted to savor this moment and for it not to end. Our eyes were riveted on each other. She would catch me staring and she would look away only for her to return her fixed gaze as I pretended not to notice her.

As I rose to leave, our eyes met again in a brief moment. I knew immediately I would relive that moment over and over. I will not soon forget her face, the enigma of her smile nor her kindness to a perfect stranger. I knew somehow the total intoxication of this encounter would never fade in my memory.

This is Eritrea, a subtle quiet pride reflected in smiles of the people. They were ready at a moment to share any and all of what they possessed to whomever crossed their threshold. It was an alchemy of mystery and deep connection.

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Board backs more restoration work, improvements at Mission

By MARY SCHLEY

PLANS FOR seismic work, restoration and other improvements at the Carmel Mission's museum, restrooms and courtyard received the blessing of the city's historic resources board Monday and are set to be voted on by the planning commission Nov. 10.

The work is part of a second phase of restoration of the Mission, which is one of California's most historic complexes. The first phase approved in 2010 included the seismic retrofit of the iconic Carmel Mission Basilica and other vital infrastructure work, and was completed in 2013.

Expired permits

Phase 2 was approved by the city in 2015, and while certain parts of the project — most notably the overhaul of the Mission's large quadrangle courtyard and fountain — were completed, others, including new restrooms and the seismic retrofit of the Sir Harry Downie Museum, were set aside due to lack of funds, and

their permits expired.

At the Oct. 19 meeting, planning director Marnie Waffle asked the historic resources board to again approve the renovation work yet to be completed.

The plans call for an overhaul of the museum building, which was commissioned by Father Ramon Mestres in 1919, completed in 1921 and used as quarters for visiting priests until it was dedicated in 1980 as the Sir Harry Downie Museum, in honor of the Mission's original restorer. The work calls for adding two new gender-neutral accessible bathrooms and removing two old ones.

"The old restrooms are not ADA compliant, so the proposal is to construct two ADA restrooms off to the side where the storage and exhibit rooms currently are, and then convert the former restrooms into additional space for the museum," Waffle explained. The location of several old adobe walls set to be removed will be delineated on the floor with a darker tile, in case

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During the first phase of renovation at Carmel Mission in 2012, workers removed the roof from the Basilica so they could drill into the adobe walls and reinforce them with steel rods. The same is set to be done to the Sir Harry Downie Museum.

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Long-term Scenic Road fix studied as flood barrier bites the dust

By CHRIS COUNTS

COUNTY OFFICIALS said this week they are moving forward with plans to build a protective structure for the sandy bluff that supports Scenic Road near Carmel Point, but they said an ambitious flood control project — the much-talked-about Ecosystem Protection Barrier along the north edge of the lagoon — is not likely to receive the support it needs from California State Parks to ever be built.

More \$\$ needed for EIR

A resident who lives nearby the lagoon points out that some of the pavement along Scenic Road is in bad shape, and needs repairs right away. To protect it — along with the adjacent parking lot and restroom — officials have proposed to build what they call the Scenic Road Protection Structure. But first, they'll have to come up with an additional \$250,000 to complete the environmental impact report.

Once the report is funded, technical studies will get underway. They are expected to be completed by spring 2021. The public will get a chance to comment on the studies during summer 2021, with the completed EIR "expected" to be done by mid-2022.

The project is estimated to cost about \$1.3 million to complete.

Officials say the Scenic Road Protection Structure will make it possible to protect Scenic Road from erosion — even if the river migrates too close to the street, which it did with disastrous results in 2005, and threatened to do again in 2010.

County official Melanie Beretti said much of the structure supporting the bluffs

will be covered with sand.

"The technical studies help highlight how much of wall we might see throughout the year," Beretti explained. "There will be times of year when it is partly or mostly covered with sand."

Resident Lorin Letendre said he is hopeful the structure will not only protect the road, but give steelhead advocates more latitude in determining how to lower the water level in the lagoon without harming the fish. "I think we're in good shape," he added.

Scenic Road needs repairs now

Letendre reported that "two huge chunks of road" recently tumbled down the bluff, leading him to conclude that "a short-term fix is a necessity at this point." He urged county officials to repair the road. "This borders on negligence," he suggested.

The resident also recommended putting better signage and cabling along the edge of the road to deter people from "scrambling up and down the bluff."

Letendre is on the advisory committee for County Service Area No. 1, which is advising the county on the flood control projects in the neighborhood.

A second flood control project, known as the Ecosystem Protective Barrier, appears to be off the table because State Parks opposes placing it in the lagoon, where it would provide flood protection for nearby homes.

The project is also unpopular with residents, some of who want to build flood walls on their own land. Beretti said the county is working with residents, and may allow such walls.

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Fisherman's Wharf, Wharf No. 2 need major repairs, Monterey says

By KELLY NIX

THE CALIFORNIA Coastal Commission next month will weigh a proposal by the City of Monterey to make major repairs to Fisherman's Wharf and Wharf No. 2, which engineers say are in poor shape due to decades of wear and tear.

The coastal panel on Nov. 6 is expected to discuss Monterey's application for a development permit to replace supporting piles, concrete pedestals, substructures, decks, docks and other structural elements of the wharves. The work, to be done in three cycles, could take about a decade to complete.

Max Rieser, associate civil engineer for Monterey, told The Pine Cone that if the coastal commission issues Monterey a permit and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers signs off on the project, work could begin in 2021.

"Our intent is to do a project once every three years, with construction activities lasting several months" for each phase, Rieser said. Each step will cost about \$1 million, he added.

'Major deterioration'

An engineering consultant concluded after an inspection in 2017 that the wharves have "major deterioration or overstressing observed on widespread portions of the structure." But things have not gotten so bad that the "load-bearing capacity" of the structures has been reduced, he said, while recommending that repairs be carried out with "moderate urgency."

The project is expected to include numerous minor repairs and "less frequent major repairs and/or replacements of existing wharf structures, without any appreciable change in materials or footprint," the city said.

Though Monterey requested a permit

to allow it to do the work over a 10-year period, Rieser said it appears the city may be granted a five-year permit instead. However, it could reapply for permits after the first two cycles are finished.

Heavily used

Work will be prioritized based on urgency, availability of funds and other criteria. Because some restaurant and shop operators on the wharf own their buildings, Monterey is applying for construction permits for them.

"In order to enable the most flexibility for maintenance implementation, the proposed program includes all structural members of the wharves, regardless of ownership or tenancy," according to the city.

It's possible that "portions or all" of the heavily used wharves would need to be temporarily blocked from public access depending on the work being done.

"As a result, each maintenance cycle would result in temporary, minor adverse impacts to scenic vistas from the wharves and surrounding viewing locations for approximately three to eight months due to the presence of construction equipment and construction crews. This impact would be less than significant."

To avoid disruption to businesses dependent on the busy summer tourist season, Monterey said it would typically limit construction to after Labor Day and prior to Memorial Day in any given year. The work would likely occur weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., but could also be done at night.

Construction crews will work from skiffs, floats, temporary scaffolding or decks, while repairs to piles and other work may require the use of divers.

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Doctor who endured brutal prisoner attack files suit against guards

By KELLY NIX

A PRISON psychiatrist has filed a lawsuit against four correctional officers and an associate warden at Salinas Valley State Prison alleging they failed to stop a vicious attack by an inmate three years ago that left him with a broken eye socket and other serious injuries.

Dr. Lawrence Ogbechie contends in a suit filed this week that he was working at the Monterey County prison providing psychiatric services to an inmate in his office in 2017 when the man, identified only as Daniel, suddenly began viciously assaulting him.

“During the course of the extended attack, Ogbechie was screaming as loudly as he could, and banging on nearby items to generate noise, because no one came to his aid for several minutes,” according to the lawsuit, which says the inmate was unrestrained.

The doctor, who does not name the state prison system as a defendant, claims a correctional officer identified as R. Covarrubias was assigned to stay nearby as he treated the inmate and “intervene promptly if any threat” to his safety occurred. But Ogbechie says Covarrubias had “left his post, failed to visually monitor the treatment session, and therefore was unable to see what was occurring in the room” when he was with the prisoner.

The prisoner attack only stopped, according to the complaint, when a nurse who saw what was happening called for help, “at which point Daniel turned toward the nurse and began walking toward that

nurse with the apparent intention of attacking the nurse as well.”

The nurse’s cry for help, the suit says, also went unanswered for more than 10 seconds until Covarrubias emerged from his office and subdued the prisoner with pepper spray.

Ogbechie alleges he suffered a traumatic brain injury, a fractured eye socket, skull fracture, lacerations, bruises and other injuries, including vision loss from the attack.

In the aftermath, the doctor claims Covarrubias’ report about the incident “contained multiple false statements of fact and omissions, all of which were designed to obscure his failure to follow prison procedures and his failure to promptly respond to the attack.”

Punitive damages

Ogbechie also names four other prison staffers, including an associate warden, as defendants in the lawsuit, arguing they also failed to prevent the attack and took no “corrective action” against Covarrubias afterward.

The psychiatrist alleges negligence and constitutional violations. He is seeking an undisclosed amount in monetary damages, including punitive damages, which can be awarded in cases of malice or fraud.

Ogbechie “suffered physical injuries, pain and suffering, anxiety, confusion, disorientation, and deprivation of his constitutional rights in an amount not yet ascertained but to be proven at trial,” according to the complaint filed for him by San Rafael attorney David Fiol.

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Fire captain, thrill seeker, mentor, funnyman — Bruce Meyer dies at 65

By MARY SCHLEY

A LONGTIME firefighter who continued working years past the age of retirement because he loved the job and its thrills — which he also got through motorcycle riding, racing and shooting — Bruce Meyer died at home in Carmel Oct. 1 at the age of 65.

Meyer was born here Aug. 9, 1955 and attended Carmel schools. At Carmel High, his former wife, Karen Warnshuis said, Meyer and his motorcycle “were often lunchtime entertainment.”

“He was full of life and always on the move,” she told The Pine Cone this week.

When he was younger, he worked for his father, Henry Meyer, who had a plumbing company, but was focused on becoming a full-time firefighter. Meyer started down that path as a volunteer and EMT in 1972 while continuing to work with his dad, and served as a part-time engineer before becoming a full-time captain in 1989.

Paramedic David Jedinak had known Meyer since joining Carmel Fire in November 1985.

“He came across as a rowdy, playful, brother-like per-

son, and he was one we all looked up to, because he was the up-and-coming fire captain in the department, and he was extremely talented with radios and had a great work ethic,” Jedinak said. “He was also a lot of fun to be around and to work with. He had a great sense of humor.”

Loved his job

The Monterey County Fire Chiefs Association named Meyer Firefighter of the Year in 1993, and he retired in 2018. During the course of his career, he developed training and testing for firefighters moving up through the ranks and served as a mentor for many of his younger colleagues.

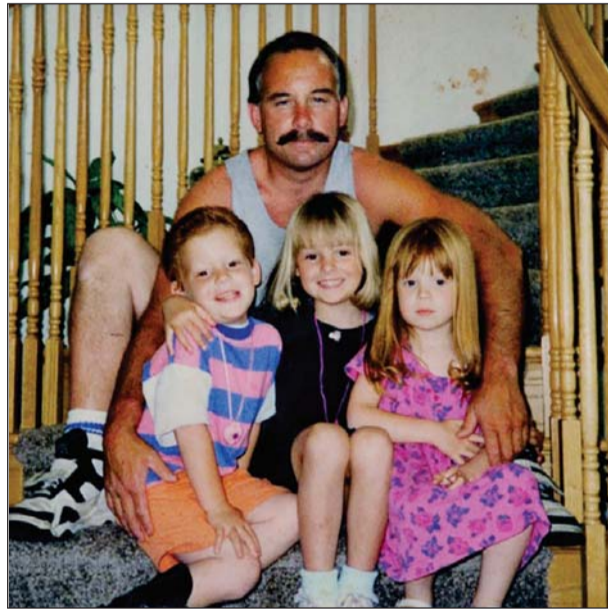
Leslie Fenton, who works for the city and met and befriended Meyer decades ago when she was an administrative assistant at the fire department, said he “loved being a firefighter and passing his knowledge and experience on to all the volunteer firefighters.”

She recalled his working on a fire in Plumas County as part of a strike team sent by Carmel and other departments, and when it came time for his two-week stint to end, she couldn’t find a replacement. “I think he was there a month,” she said. “But he loved every minute!”

After Carmel signed a contract with the City of Monterey to run its fire department almost a decade ago, officials made a special deal where Meyer was concerned, according to city administrator Chip Rerig. Meyer “was so valuable as a resource in our emergency operations center,” that after the transition, when Meyer was working in other stations in Monterey or elsewhere, if a disaster or other emergency prompted the city to activate the EOC, he would be there. The agreement remained in place until he retired.

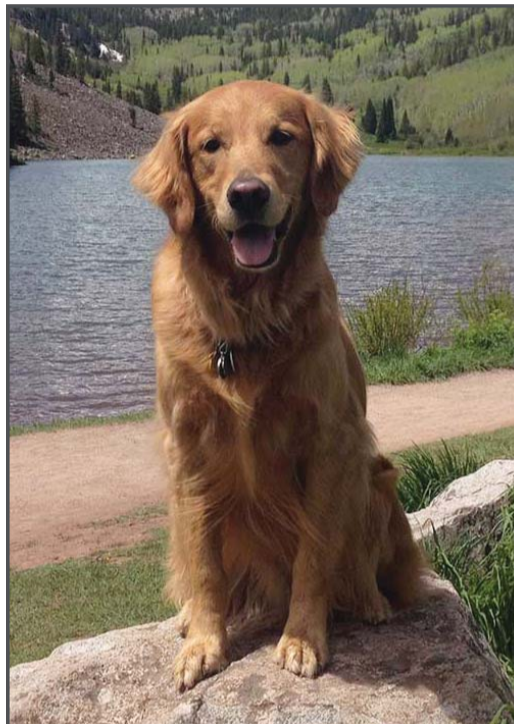
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City to recognize restorers of WWI Memorial Arch

By MARY SCHLEY

MAYOR DAVE Potter is set to present a proclamation to those who raised the money and did the work to renovate the historic World War I Memorial Arch at San Carlos and Ocean.

After years of planning, raising thousands of dollars, searching for the right stone, obtaining city permits and undertaking other efforts, members of the American Legion Post 512 and the Friends of the WWI Memorial Arch

finally completed their work in May.

On Monday, members of the historic resources board reviewed a draft of the proclamation Potter will present at a future meeting. It honors those who helped restore the arch, which was designed by architect Charles Sumner Greene, built by local stonemasons, and originally dedicated on Nov. 11, 1921, as The Soldiers Memorial Fountain to honor those who served during World War I.

After a car hit the arch in 1977 and severely damaged it, Greene's son and stonemasons Joseph and Brian McEldowney restored it, and it was dedicated again on Veterans Day of that year, the proclamation states.

In the four decades that followed, trees grew to crowd it, leaf litter and dirt built up around the base, people climbed on it to watch parades, moisture and mildew accumulated, and its stones slowly deteriorated. In 2017, photographer Ian Martin, former councilman Mike Brown, planning commissioner and contractor Michael LePage and Brian McEldowney and others formed a group to start raising funds to again restore the arch.

After years of searching, McEldowney found suitable sandstone at a Santa Barbara County quarry "and used his skill and expertise to size, fabricate and texture new stones to replace the damaged ones," the proclamation says.

"It is important for all Carmel residents to remember the sacrifice of those who have served our country and recognize the stewardship of American Legion Post 512, the Friends of the WWI Memorial Arch, and especially stonemason Brian McEldowney for restoring the monument in their honor," the document continues.

It concludes with Potter's thanks on behalf of the city council and the citizens of Carmel for the groups' "stewardship of a nationally recognized monument honoring those who served in World War I."

At the Oct. 19 meeting, board members didn't have a lot to say about it. Karyl Hall said she "thought it was fine," and Erik Dyar commented that the proclamation "is formal, but I think appropriately so."

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RACISM

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The newspaper did file a Public Records Act request for all complaints made by city employees, former employees and city contractors within the last five years who alleged they had been victims of racial discrimination and were denied a job, promotion, salary increase or benefits at city hall or the police department based on their race or ethnicity.

The city was unable to find such documents, however.

“Our office has made extensive efforts to locate records that might fall within the scope of your records request. However, our search failed to identify any related

documents,” city clerk Sandra Kandell told The Pine Cone Monday.

The Pine Cone also requested copies of all complaints made by employees, former employees and contractors claiming they had been victims of racial slurs or racial abuse by coworkers or supervisors because of their race and ethnicity. The city said it had no record of such complaints.

The councilwoman’s motivation in presenting the initiative — parts of which mirror an initiative the City of Tracy endorsed in August — was a sticker that a Hispanic Pacific Grove police officer put on his personal vehicle. McAdams contends the sticker, for a group called the California Three Percenters, a militia group, is “racist.”

The councilwoman also wants to form a five-member “government accountability

task force” to “study and provide recommendations on how to address the opportunities our city may have to enhance equity in all areas.”

Areas of interest, according to the document, may include “social justice, environmental justice, socioeconomic, improved resident support, government transparency, and other socially responsible policy practices.”

The city council, for the second time, was expected to discuss McAdams’ initiative Wednesday night but they were not able to get to the item.

An independent investigator hired by the city to look into the sticker incident found that the officer is not part of any hate or militia group, and the city subsequently determined that he did not violate any city policy or law. He is still employed with

PGPD.

McAdams doesn’t address allegations of past racial discrimination in Pacific Grove. However, her mother, former P.G. Mayor Carmelita Garcia, apologized in early 2012 for decades of discriminatory housing practices that existed in the city — and most parts of the United States — until the 1940s.

Deeds in California in the early 20th century often contained “restrictive covenants,” which were written by private citizens, not the government, to prevent property owners from selling to a buyer who was not of European descent. Though the covenants were overturned by the U.S. Supreme Court in 1948 and declared null and void by the California legislature in the 1950s, they still exist in millions of property deeds.



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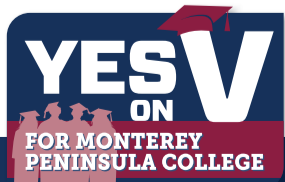
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SCHOOLS

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interaction, on the other days. Recess, lunch and physical activity will be handled in small “cohorts,” as well. Coursework and subjects will be adjusted to fit the model, which means some classes and areas of study might not be offered.

The district is still preparing to apply for a waiver to reopen the lower grades for in-classroom teaching, Dellis said, and will send out a form to parents Friday seeking a commitment one way or the other by Oct. 30.

“We are asking that people commit for the remainder of the school year. It’s a difficult decision to make if you’re a person who’s following the virus and the fact there are a lot of complexities around it,” she said. “Whether it will be safe — it’s a very daunting thing for a parent to make that decision.”

Why some want distance learning

Those who have clamored for the district to hurry up and apply for a waiver and to be ready to welcome kids back to the classroom as soon as the state says it’s OK, whether through a waiver or because the rate of coronavirus infections drops to a low enough number and stays there, repeated their pleas to the board Oct. 21, with one condemning the apparent slow pace of progress as “a disservice” and “disgraceful.” She described distance learning as “a dystopian nightmare.”

Parent and CUSD board candidate Jill Lewis criticized the board for not being open to criticism and said she’s received “death threats” for her outspoken views. “I want the board to understand that parents are suffering, children are suffering,” she said. “You never talk about the suffering parents are going through.”

But an ER nurse named Scott — he gave no last name — who works at Natividad and Salinas Valley Memorial hospitals warned parents against doing anything that would allow the virus to spread among students and faculty. “As an ER nurse, this is not a concept for me — I’m watching these people die,” he said.

“I’m really concerned about our children, really concerned about our community, really concerned about our teachers,” he added.

While agricultural workers have the highest rate of infection, numbering more than 2,600 cases, he said, those in education and childcare account for more than 1,300. He mentioned having a 5-year-old patient who suffered a stroke and was found to have Covid, even though he exhibited no other symptoms.

“I’m really worried,” he said. “I want people to keep these concerns in their heads when they make these decisions.”

Matt Borek, a CUSD teacher who has 8- and 10-year-old kids at home, said they have “found their groove” with distance learning, and he did not want that disrupted. “Going from full distance learning, where they have access to teachers five days a week, and going to two days, I’m worried about losing this relationship they’ve built,” he said. And changing the model again in the middle of the year would be disruptive.

“This is the first board meeting I’ve listened to,” said Alison Dunton, adding that she hadn’t planned to speak but wanted to counter some of the parents demanding a return to the classroom. “The routine we’ve established is working for our family.”

The schedule is set, the kids interact with their teachers online every day, the curriculum is working, and the students have established relationships with their teachers, some of the parents said. In a hybrid model, their teachers will probably change, and they’ll only have access to them while in the classroom two days a week. The rest of the time, they’ll do distance learning with no contact with their teachers, who will be busy teaching other kids in the classroom at that time.

‘Best year yet’

Scott Stephens also told the board it was his first meeting and said he and his wife feel their children are excelling with distance learning. “We have excellent teachers who are fully committed and have been exceptional,” he said. “This year has been the best yet out of our elementary school experience, and we are concerned to go back — we’re concerned with the hybrid option.”

Jen Kasper, Carmel Middle School assistant principal, said the decision is a difficult one.

“When we look at the purpose of going into a hybrid model — what students are going to get out of it is that face-to-face interaction — there’s a lot to consider,” including people’s own concerns about coronavirus, she said. “We have students who are doing far better in distance learning and students who are really struggling, who were straight-A students but are now having a very difficult time, so I think that’s a really important factor.”

Dellis said she plans to send the waiver application to the Monterey County Health Department during the first week in November.

“I want to remind people that if we go into the red tier or get the waiver approved, we’ll be taking that to the board,” she said. “The board will make the final determination whether to open the schools. That’s not in my purview — the final decision goes to the board.”

Six candidates compete for three Pacific Grove council openings

By KELLY NIX

BOUNCING BACK from the economic fallout of the pandemic, creating affordable housing and promoting government transparency are some of the myriad challenges the half-dozen candidates for Pacific Grove City Council say the city faces.

The six candidates are competing for three council spots, one of which is occupied by councilman Nick Smith, who is vying for a second term.

In July, The Pine Cone reported on the candidacies of Luke Coletti, a researcher at MBARI, for councilman and incumbent mayor Bill Peake, who is seeking his second term. These are the other candidates:

■ Jill Kleiss, a substitute teacher who has been the most outspoken candidate against the idea of allowing a cannabis shop in the city, cited continued protection of Pacific Grove's coastline and natural habitat, managing the city budget, and economic recovery from the coronavirus epidemic, as among the challenges the next council will face.

"While the city budget has always been a point of contention, the economic downturn of Covid-19 adds another wrinkle," Kleiss, 66, said. "It is my goal to be part of the solution."

Asked what she would do to procure much-needed affordable housing in the city, Kleiss said she plans on doing more research, asking questions, and inviting the public to weigh in on solutions.

"We need affordable housing for local workers as well as seniors who are priced out of the community," she said. "Part of the discussion on every new development should include affordable housing considerations."

■ Retired P.G. police chief and one-term Monterey County sheriff Scott Miller, 67, said his 35 years of government experience would help him manage budgets and

personnel and safety issues.

"I'll ensure the local government is accountable, open and transparent," he said. "I'll provide trustworthy leadership."

Like Kleiss, he said he wants transparency and accountability at city hall, and he knocked the city council for appearing to be over-reliant on recommendations and suggestions from staff members.

"I've previously seen Pacific Grove devolve into a 'staffocracy,' where the city council simply nods in assent to staff recommendations, which rarely turns out well," Miller said.

Miller said the most logical solution to provide more affordable housing is to continue to promote accessory dwelling units in the city.

"About 2,000 property parcels in town qualify to add an ADU," he said. "Any other affordable housing project, such as might be possible at the Mission Linen property or the movie theater parking lot is, at best, years away."

■ Businessman Chaps Poduri, 46, said the pandemic, water issues and city government transparency are the three biggest issues facing Pacific Grove.

"Pandemic uncertainties are a big challenge for the city," Poduri told The Pine Cone. "This includes safety and well-being of citizens, growing revenue losses, business closures and financial hardships. Curtailed development due to the regional water issue is the second challenge. Transparency and collaboration are lacking today which compound these problems."

If elected, Poduri — who has lived in P.G. with his wife and children for only three years — said he wants to make the city "welcoming" for "all residents and businesses, make the city fiscally responsible and more transparent, and "create strong relationships with the community and the region."

The city, he said, needs a "better" housing policy with inclusionary housing in-

centives for developers.

■ Nick Smith, 40, pointed to his accomplishments during the four years he's served on the city council.

"I have voted in favor of policies that protect the environment and the coastline,

invest in the city's infrastructure, increase affordable housing, and promote fiscal stability," he told The Pine Cone. "Further, I have focused on positive leadership and

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Firefighters work to keep new blaze from spreading

By CHRIS COUNTS

JUST WHEN the Dolan Fire was headed for yesterday's news, another blaze — now known as the Coleman Fire — erupted nearby, and has so far burned 574 acres.

The new fire is five percent contained but isn't threatening any structures.

Officials are still investigating the cause of the latest fire, but they say it started Sunday around noon about halfway between Lucia and King City. In response, firefighters working on the Dolan Fire rushed to the scene. There were fears it might burn areas that escaped from the earlier fire.

"We took the resources on hand to assist with the initial attack," fire official Micah Bell told The Pine Cone. "The first day, it looked like it could get up and run parallel to the Dolan Fire to the northwest. But light winds have worked in our favor."

'It's going to take a while'

To fight the Coleman Fire, hand crews are working in what Bell described as "rough and steep" terrain, while helicopters are making bucket drops. And more resources are on the way. "We're starting to get a line around it, but it's going to take a while" he reported.

Bell said officials are hopeful the new fire will run into areas burned by the Dolan Fire, which would effectively act as a huge fire break.

"We're hoping to tie the two together, which would help greatly," Bell said.

The fire would need to burn north or south for 10 miles to reach the Dolan Fire, which he said is unlikely because winds are expected to stay light, making the job of containing it easier. He noted that the humidity is also rising, which will help, too.

Bell, who lives in Indiana, is part of a command team made up of firefighters from 20 states in the Eastern United States. Last week, they replaced a team from the New York City Fire Department. This is their third West Coast fire of the season.

Dolan days numbered

The Dolan Fire, meanwhile, has burned nearly 125,000 acres, but its days appear numbered. Its containment

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MISSION

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anyone should want to rebuild them in the future, she said. Improvements slated for the forecourt area in front of the Basilica include removing paving and adding fill so the grade from the parking lot is not as steep, redoing walkways and moving planters as needed to ensure the paths are handicap accessible, and constructing a ramp to connect the courtyard to the fountain, gardens and the Downie Museum. A pedestrian gate will be built in a section of new plaster wall that's replacing a section of deteriorated adobe wall demolished over the summer because it was a safety hazard.

The plans were blessed by historians in 2015 and again this year.

Grave matters

Board member Karyl Hall wanted assurance the digging for the new bathrooms wouldn't involve a new sewer line going "through someone's grave," and Waffle said a

condition of the project requires having an archaeologist and a representative of the local Native American tribes present "to monitor all earth-moving activities."

And board member Jordan Chroman asked that none of the garden beds be altered unnecessarily. "Who will make the determination of which bed and how much will be moved around?" he asked. "Because if we're moving stuff around to move it around, and it's not really necessary, then I wonder, do we really need to move it?"

Architect Brett Brenkwitz explained the crew would try to retain as many of the original planters as possible and would reuse the stones — which are remnants from the foundations of former Mission buildings — when taking apart and rebuilding the curbs of the garden beds.

"This is a very large puzzle, because we're trying to give ADA access to a lot of different points on the site," he said. "But we're not going to willy-nilly make things larger or smaller just because we want to. We will retain the beds and curbs as much as possible."

He explained the work would also include fixing drainage so the Basilica would not get flooded, as happened during heavy rains several years ago, and renovating the courtyard's fountain, which was added by Downie in the

late 1930s.

The retrofit of the Downie Museum will employ the same methods as those used to shore up the Basilica.

"It's unreinforced masonry," he explained. "It's adobe — the walls are 2 feet thick."

Applause for everyone

The roof will be removed and holes drilled into the adobe walls from the top, then rods and grout inserted throughout.

"It doesn't bring it up to today's seismic codes, but it enhances the seismic stability greatly from where it is now," he said.

Walkways will be sloped and downspouts will be added to keep water away from the walls, since "water is the No. 1 enemy of adobe," and it's bad for the plaster, too.

"Mitigating rainwater and even landscape water is a big deal," Brenkwitz said. "So we will be including that in the working drawings when we get to that point."

The board members, minus Thomas Hood and Kathryn Gualtieri, who were absent, voted to find the plans in keeping with the Secretary of the Interior's standards for the preservation of historic properties.

"I really applaud everyone on the project," chair Erik Dyar said. "It's wonderful to see the continuing restoration of probably the most important historic resource in the City of Carmel."

As with the past projects, which cost several million dollars, much of the funding for the restoration work is being raised by the nonprofit Carmel Mission Foundation.

PROJECTILE

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cide whether there's sufficient cause to proceed with the case against him — have been repeatedly scheduled and delayed over the past several months, at least in part due to the huge amount of information the prosecution is gathering and turning over to the defense.

By late February, the Monterey County District Attorney's Office had already turned over more than 600 pages of reports, and apparently it wasn't finished. Lafferty had been on track to appear for a preliminary hearing Oct. 15, but that's now been delayed until Jan. 7, 2021, with both sides checking in with the judge two days prior to confirm they are ready to go.

Digital forensics

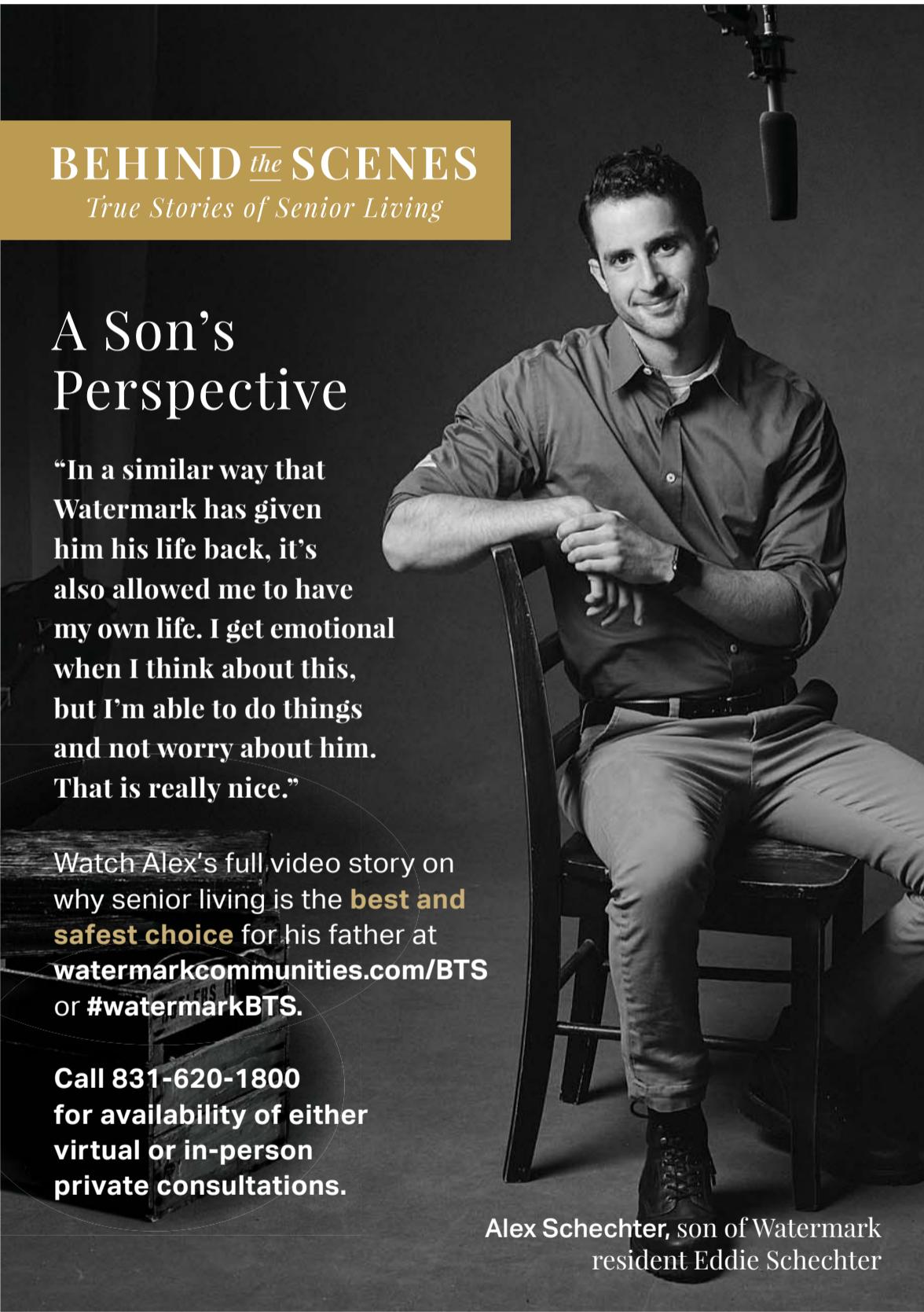
"We turned over to the defense a voluminous report detailing our analysis of the digital forensics," Monterey County Chief Assistant District Attorney Berkley Brannon told The Pine Cone. "It was completed shortly before the court appearance. That prompted the defense to request a continuance."

The attacks Lafferty is accused of committing go back to February 2019, when the first reports of a mysterious object smashing the windows of passing cars on Highways 101 and 152 in the Prunedale area started coming in. In the fall and winter of last year, they escalated, with several incidents of multiple vehicles hit within a short period of time. Among the victims were the Carmel High School football players whose bus was hit by a projectile while they were on their way to a playoff game in San Jose last November.

In early January, a task force of five California Highway Patrol officers and a Monterey County Sheriff's deputy got a break in the case by spotting a GMC Sonoma pickup near the scene of a recent attack. Their investigation and surveillance led them to Lafferty, who was apparently dividing his time between Monterey and San Luis Obispo counties. They got warrants to search his homes and the truck, and arrested him at a house in Nipomo.

Lafferty remains in Monterey County Jail on \$517,000 bail.

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Decorations pop up around town as city gives away pumpkins

MEMBERS OF the community activities commission gave away 150 pumpkins to locals at the Oct. 15 downtown farmers market and were set to do the same this week, according to community activities director Ashlee Wright, for the city's Pumpkins on Parade. Since the city's annual Pumpkin Roll and birthday/Halloween parade can't take place this year, thanks to the coronavirus pandemic, the commission planned the giveaway to encourage people to carve the pumpkins, which are courtesy of Carmel Gives, and to string up lights, put out cobwebs or otherwise adorn their homes in celebration of Halloween and the

city's 104th birthday.

"The community activities commission is doing a great job, despite the pandemic to look for creative ways to keep the community connected," community activities director Ashlee Wright said. She's enjoying seeing the ghosts, skeletons, flocks of crows, giant spiders and webs, witches and other creatures, and gravestones going up around town. City crews hung purple and orange lights in part the median on Ocean Avenue and around Devendorf Park, and have added other decorations in town.

"It's so great to see the town looking festive," she said. "I am so pleased that the community has embraced this."

CANDIDATES

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and constructive dialogue in order to accomplish city goals. I seek re-election to continue the progress of the city."

The challenges the city will continue to face, Smith said, include Covid-19, housing availability and maintaining fiscal stability. "I intend to use my ability, training, and experience on the council to rise to these unique challenges," he said.

Smith said he's voted to increase affordable housing through workforce housing, ADUs, and investigating affordable housing options.

■ Scott Woodfin, 48, said he wants the city to issue a brief survey asking city residents what issues are important to them.

"It's very important that the city manager and council know they are there to serve the citizens," said Woodfin, a firefighter and paramedic. "Serving communities is what I have been doing in public safety for almost 30 years."

In Woodfin's estimation, however, economic recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic is the biggest issue facing the city.

"The city needs to work with businesses and plan ahead for the long-term revenue shortfalls," he told The Pine Cone. "Preserving the residential character of this beautiful city is one of the reasons we moved here."



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• **Educator for 30 years** — Carmel High math and economics teacher, 2000-2015; longtime tutor, ELD instructor, substitute teacher at all levels, including adult school, special education and Regional Occupation Programs; three teaching credentials.

• **Environmental Builder** — Studied green building and LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design); as green builder, rehabilitate Carmel Valley homes.

• **Volunteer** — For past dozen years have met with students at Cachagua Center, including those who now lack internet access; day-camp organizer.

• **Agriculturalist** — Involved with leasing and stewarding Salinas Valley agricultural lands.

• **Lifelong CUSD resident**, ninth-generation Monterey County resident.

• **Parent of two Carmel High grads.**

John Durein taught math at Carmel High for over one-third of a century. Here is why he backs Anne-Marie's election to the board

JOHN DUREIN SUPPORTS ANNE-MARIE ROSEN

I was Department Chair of the math department at Carmel High School during the period of time Anne-Marie Rosen was employed there, and for most of that time I shared a classroom with her. As a result, I feel qualified to testify as to her quality as a teacher and a person.

Anne-Marie was one of the most gifted teachers I encountered in my 35 years of working in math education. She was totally knowledgeable in the subject matter and pedagogy, but more than that she knew how to relate to all of the different kinds of students with whom she interacted on a daily basis.

She often offered to take on the most challenging classes of students, and she achieved remarkable results. She was empathetic, energetic, and extremely creative. Although at the point in time when we shared a classroom I was the more veteran of the two of us, I often learned valuable techniques from her and was always amazed at her patience and skill as a teacher.

I believe that it can be very valuable to have the viewpoint of an educator represented on a school board, and so I enthusiastically recommend Anne-Marie Rosen for a position on the CUSD Board of Education.

— John Durein, former teacher and math department chair at Carmel High School.

Monterey County Weekly Endorses Anne-Marie Rosen for Carmel School Board

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REOPEN

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ings by employees and customers, the requirement that businesses establish a Covid-19 prevention plan, and other measures.

California health secretary Dr. Mark Ghaly's announcement Tuesday about personal care services follows the state's decision at the end of August to allow hair salons, barbershops and nail salons to operate indoors.

Ghaly also said Tuesday that small theme parks are allowed to reopen in counties that are ranked no higher than the orange tier (moderate cases), while larger ones like Disneyland will have to wait until they are in the least restrictive yellow tier. Pro sports are allowed to resume in the orange tier at 20 percent audience capacity, and in the yellow tier at 25 percent capacity. Ticket sales will be restricted to customers within a 120-mile radius.

Asked when the state would allow youth sports to resume, Ghaly said, "Stay tuned, it's something we're working on now."

Monterey County is one of 12 Cali-

fornia counties still in the most restrictive coronavirus shutdown tier, but it's surrounded by counties, such as Santa Cruz, San Benito, San Luis Obispo and others, that are in less restrictive tiers.

On Tuesday, Monterey County Health officer Dr. Ed Moreno gave the county board of supervisors an update on Covid-19 data and metrics.

"Overall, since July 25, almost weekly, we have seen a decline in the number of cases in Monterey County," he said of the data, as of Oct. 18.

However, Moreno also pointed to the greater number of cases in Salinas and the Salinas Valley, which is preventing the entire county — even areas such as the Monterey Peninsula, where cases are minimal — from being able to advance to the less restrictive tiers so businesses could face fewer restrictions.

"The highest case rates are primarily in our South County communities and Salinas," he said.

Since the epidemic began, the county has experienced 11,284 coronavirus cases, with 9,296 of those in the Salinas area. There have been 87 coronavirus-related deaths — five of those reported just this week — and 658 hospitalizations. Moreno said the hospitalization rate has been relatively stable and that half of the ICU beds

at the county's four hospitals are vacant. The state has had more than 887,000 coronavirus cases and 17,000 deaths.

More testing opportunities are available on the Monterey Peninsula, with a site added to Seaside High School on Oct. 20. Moreno said there are plans for others, including drive-through testing sites in the county.

Don't forget the flu

In other virus news, representatives from the county's four hospitals Wednesday, including Dr. Martha Blum, medical director of infection prevention for Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, reiterated the importance of getting the influenza vaccine this flu season.

Coronavirus and flu symptoms often mirror each other, and doctors said people who have symptoms should get a Covid-19 test, so they can properly isolate themselves from others if the results are positive for coronavirus.

"There is not going to be any definitive way" of knowing which virus you have, "unless you get a test done," Blum said.

As a general rule, the onset of influenza symptoms is more sudden, while coronavirus progresses more slowly, and loss of taste and smell is particular to coronavirus, not influenza, Blum said.

Buff G.F. Belter

July 26, 19xx to October 17, 2020 – Carmel, CA

My Beloved Buff and I met in 1951 at the Miami, Florida Air Show where she had just won a beauty contest and we were married a year later, July 9th, 1952. We just celebrated our 68th wedding anniversary.



My U.S. Navy Aviator career took us to many places. Of note was my 'staff-puke' tour on CTF 77 in 1970, at sea aboard the USS America and the USS Kitty Hawk. While I was at sea, Buff lived in Hong Kong and fell in love with that magical place. She left serious claw-marks on the pier upon leaving.

Along the way, we gained a child, nephew Lou, who we raised to be a man. When his mother, (Buff's sister) departed, Buff and I adopted him as a son on my 90th birthday to formalize our lifelong relationship.

We retired here to Carmel, CA in 1976, where we built a home hands-on, together.

Buff will be remembered by many, because of her strong love of animals and her volunteer work at the SPCA and CHOMP.

She suffered from COPD, and her final days were spent comfortably. I will miss her terribly. A private Memorial is being planned.

Robert H. Belter, Loving Husband

Carol "Kitty" Dnnham DuVernois

October 22, 1934 ❖ October 17, 2020

Kitty, born in Boston, passed away peacefully at her Pacific Grove home.

Kitty is survived by her brother, Greg Dunham; her six children, Robert and his wife, Cecily; Jeffrey and his wife, Claudia; Carol and her husband, Stephen; Susan Meise; Stephen and Christopher. She is also survived by ten grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Kitty leaves behind her dearest friends, Alice and Pieter Honner-White and Jan Veneto, and many other good friends here and around the country.

Kitty has requested that there be no memorial service. In lieu of flowers, please donate to a favorite choral group or to Habitat for Humanity.

Please visit www.thepaulmortuary.com to sign Kitty's guest book and leave messages for her family.



PETER FREDERIKSEN

1943 • 2020

Peter Frederiksen died on October 16, 2020, in the embrace of his wife, Linda and their adult children, Paul and Jenny. They loved him "to the moon and back." Two weeks earlier, his entire family had gathered at their Monterey home to express to "Papa" how much they loved him: Paul, Stacey, Pete and Samantha; Jenny, Jeff and Jake and Linda. He was a family man, first and foremost.

Peter was born in Bristol, England in 1943 to a Danish father and a British mother. He so loved both the U.K. and Denmark. He came to the US after attending Clifton College in Bristol, at the invitation of his brother, Christian. Peter stayed in the US and graduated with a doctorate in economics from Washington State University in Pullman, Washington. It was there that he met Linda and they married in 1971. They moved to Monterey in 1974 when Peter became a professor at the Naval Postgraduate School.



Peter was a teddy bear of a man with a gentle and kind heart. He was an avid golfer and a spirited fisherman. Oh, how he loved cars! He enjoyed the NY Times & a good mystery novel, an occasional Bombay martini and travel...any where! He savored Vivaldi & Bach, Cat Stevens, Willie Nelson & bagpipe music.

His family is deeply grateful to Dr. Thomas Kehl and Nicole, Shary Farr, the nurses and aides at Hospice of the Central Coast, and the kindest of caregivers: lleini, Hector and Joseph. It does take a village.

We hope to celebrate Peter and his life in 2021.

Peter enthusiastically supported Linda in her work with Gathering for Women. If you'd like to honor him, donations in his name can be sent to Gathering for Women: www.gatheringforwomen.org. or PO Box 601, Monterey, CA 93942.

Matthew Azhderian

1966 • 2020

Matthew, "Matt," Azhderian died unexpectedly at his home in Phoenix, AZ on September 8, 2020. Matt was born February 2, 1966, in San Jose, CA and lovingly adopted by Edward and Hermine "Mimi" Azhderian. He grew up in the Los Gatos foothills, and moved with his family to Pebble Beach, where he attended Carmel Middle and High Schools, graduating in 1984.



Matt moved to Gunnison, CO, to attend college and soon learned it to be among the coldest places in the US, so he transferred to Arizona State University. He remained in the Phoenix area, working in banking and insurance. He was most proud of achieving the position of branch manager at a national bank. Matt led a quiet life, enjoying time with his friends, eating out at his favorite restaurants, and his adored kitties, Bella and Larry. Matt will be remembered for his sensitive, gentle spirit, and wry sense of humor.

Matt is survived by his older brothers, Edward Azhderian Jr. (Christina), Ara Azhderian (Merry), nieces Cecelia, Gelsey, Rowan, and nephew Phineas, and numerous cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents Edward Azhderian Sr. and Hermine Azhderian.

Arrangements made by The Neptune Society. Please share comments and memories at his online obituary: <https://obituaries.neptunesociety.com/obituaries/tempe-az/matthew-azhderian-9379627>. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Matt's memory to the Arizona Humane Society here: <http://support.azhumane.org/goto/MattAzhderian>. Donations can also be made by phone through calling Lydia at (602) 997 7585 ext 1035.



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FILM

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board, which warned that by censoring Steele, it was inviting anti-trust action and “political backlash.” They called Steele “an important dissenting voice.”

Sen. Tom Cotton, a Republican from Arkansas, proved the newspaper’s words prophetic. “We’re going to take a look at the tech companies’ protections from liabilities,” he suggested Tuesday, while citing Amazon’s refusal to carry Steele’s documentary.

Amazon changed its tune this week and contacted the father-son team.

“We listened to one another,” the younger Steele said. “Amazon acknowledged the issue and promised to do better.”

Why they made it

Last week, Shelby Steele told The Pine Cone why he and his son made the film. They intentionally released it before right before the presidential election because race has become such a hot-button topic.

“The film challenges the standard take on race relations that it’s racism that kills,” explained Steele, who wrote and narrated the film, while his son directed and edited it. “It pretty much documents the untruth of that. Not in any way was Michael Brown killed out of racial animus — the film makes the point that racism has been in a radical decline. At least two Justice Department investigations found not one whit of evidence that Michael Brown was killed by racism.”

Brown was shot and killed in 2014 by Ferguson police officer Darren Wilson. Seven months later, the U.S. Department of Justice decided Wilson would not be charged in the shooting, concluding that “there is no evidence upon which prosecutors can rely to disprove Wilson’s stated subjective belief that he feared for his safety, and that accounts that Brown put his hands up are “inaccurate because they are inconsistent with the physical and forensic evidence.”

Considered expert on race

A Black man who grew up during the segregation era in Chicago, Steele is an award-winning filmmaker who earned an Emmy Award in 1991 for his role as a writer for the documentary, “Seven Days of Bensonhurst,” which examined the murder of a black teenager in Brooklyn by a group of whites.

He has written six books on race, including “The Content of Our Character: A New Vision of Race In America,” which won a National Book Critics Circle Award in 1991. He is also a senior fellow at Stanford University’s Hoover Institution, a public policy think tank.

Amazon has long carried Steele’s work and never objected to its content until the latest film was released.

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BRUNA RITA ODELLO

1927 - 2020

Bruna Rita Odello passed away on September 7, 2020 at her home in Carmel, California. Brunna was a strong, passionate woman who will be missed by the many people whose lives she touched in her 93 years on this earth.

Born in 1927 in the little town of Morbegno, Italy to Mario and Rita Cerri, Brunna immigrated with her family to Castroville, California in 1930 when she was just three years old. As an only child growing up on an artichoke ranch with no other children nearby, Brunna loved to explore the world around her - a love that she carried throughout her life. Brunna lived in Castroville until she met the love of her life in 1946, Emilio Odello. Brunna and Emilio were married in 1947 and settled on an artichoke ranch in Carmel, which later became the Odello Family artichoke ranch. On the “Ranch”, they raised their two daughters, Pam and Carla. Brunna loved her family and was a devoted wife and mother. As the girls grew up, Brunna was a Brownie and then Girl Scout leader, and she later served as the coordinator of the Junior Mints at the old Carmel Hospital. She also served as president of the Junipero Serra School Mothers’ Club, where she made lifelong friendships.



Brunna’s greatest joy came from sharing and living her faith. Always involved in Parish activities, she became even more immersed in Parish life after the death of her beloved husband in 1974. She was the chairman or co-chairman of the annual Carmel Mission Fiesta for 37 years; a president of the Altar Society; a Eucharistic minister; and a member of the Legion of Mary. She was also a Faith Formation teacher to grade school children for 57 years, teaching multiple generations of the same families, and it brought her great fulfillment to be a part of so many children’s spiritual lives.

One of Brunna’s true passions was helping others, and she was dedicated to serving her community. Brunna organized a local Artists’ Tour for the Monterey Museum of Art, worked on Clint Eastwood’s campaign for mayor of Carmel, and volunteered on the Hospitality Committee of the Bing Crosby Golf Tournament for over 30 years. The cause nearest to her heart was Gateway Center, where she served on the board for many years. Her dedication to these local causes was instrumental to her being named Woman of the Year by the local Quota Club in 1984 and honored by the Italian Heritage Society in 2006. In 2009, she was also honored by the Monterey County Commission on Women as one of the Outstanding Women of Monterey County.

Brunna always pointed out the beauty in the world around her, and in her later years, she began to capture the wonders of God’s creation with her camera as an avid photographer. Over the years, she took tens of thousands of pictures of all kinds of events, people, landscapes, and animals (especially her llamas), and she would often turn these photographs into cards and albums, which she loved to give to friends and family. Brunna considered it a blessing to call beautiful Carmel her home, and her love of photography and her surroundings culminated in the publication of her book of photographs, Blessed, in 2012.



Brunna lived an incredibly full life. She organized many religious trips to Europe and the Holy Land through the Carmel Mission Parish, and her travels took her all over the world. She was a stranger to no one, and could often be found chauffeuring international tourists around her beloved Monterey Peninsula or sharing a cup of coffee with a new friend. She was known for her stories, her generous spirit, and her love for everything and everyone. Although surgery and then her diagnosis of congestive heart failure in 2009 would ultimately rob Brunna of her short-term memory and greatly affect her activities and daily life, she accepted and dealt with this very difficult cross as she did everything: with grace, dignity, strength, and trust in God.

Brunna was preceded in death by her husband, Emilio, her parents, and her brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Bruno and Bella Odello. She is survived by her daughter Pam Noto and son-in-law, Carl; daughter Carla Odello; granddaughter Courtney Colimodio and her husband, Carlos; great-grandson David Emilio Colimodio; nephew John Odello and his wife, Marie; nephew Michael Odello and his wife, Vicki; niece Claire Berry; and their families.

Brunna’s family is forever grateful to all those who supported and cared for her in the last years of her life, especially Susan and Eduardo, her loving caregivers, as well as Jody, Kim, and all the wonderful staff of Hospice of the Central Coast.

Due to Covid-19, private interment services were held, and Brunna was laid to rest with her beloved husband. The family looks forward to celebrating her life with friends and loved ones at her Funeral Mass at a date and time to be determined.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Carmel Mission Pipe Organ Renovation Fund, 3080 Rio Rd, Carmel, CA 93923; Gateway Center, 850 Congress Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950; the Carmelite Monastery, Rt. 1, Box 27601, Carmel, CA 93923; Hospice of the Central Coast, 2 Upper Ragsdale Dr. D-120, Monterey, CA 93940; or an animal welfare organization or other charity of one’s choice.



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ESALEN

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generally come to connect with one another, not keep their distance. But they'll have to — at least for now. “Guests will be required to wear face masks in public areas and observe a 6-foot social distance at all times out of respect for other visitors,” the nonprofit center announced. “Esalen will be instituting comprehensive health and safety precautions to ensure the well-being of all guests. It will work with state and local groups authorities to continue the Covid-free environment Esalen has been able to sustain.”

‘People need a safe place’

It's uncertain how long Esalen's limited workshop schedule will continue, but the intention is to add more programming when it can be done safely.

“Staying safe during Covid means we have to restrict the number of people taking workshops, so we have had to reimagine what is possible with fewer people,” Esalen announced this week. “We hope to get back to a wide variety of offerings once the Covid restrictions are safely lifted.”

For now, Esalen will close on weekends due to limited staffing, but the long-term plan is to resume hosting guests seven days each week.

Besides attending a workshop, couples will be able to soak in Esalen hot baths, enjoy three meals each day, and immerse themselves in the workshop.

General manager Terry Gilbey said that Esalen's “natural and spiritual resources” can provide people with a sense of sanctuary during the troubled times we are living in.

“People need a safe place where they can find a container for the fear, anxiety, loneliness and confusion that are overwhelming our world today,” Gilbey added.

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Bob Brower, Sr.

Monterey County Vintner, Dies at 71

Robert “Bob” Brower, Sr., who was a pioneer of Monterey County's wine industry, building Château Julien Wine Estate and devoted to serving the community, died Wednesday, September 30th, 2020 after losing the fight to pancreatic cancer. He was 71 years of age.

Bob Brower, Sr. was born July 27th, 1949 and was raised on Long Island, New York in the town of Oceanside. Brower was born with a strong work ethic; with two children at home, Bob attended Fairleigh Dickinson University at night, and worked fulltime as an Executive at Shell Oil Company during the day. Brower graduated with a BS in Management.

Brower was not one to tout his self-made accomplishments yet had many. Bob was an entrepreneur and a problem-solver, one who took on projects that required thought and commitment. In his mid-twenties, Brower started Gasoline Marketers of America and Town & County Gasoline on the East Coast in the 1970's. Upon the sale of his successful petroleum companies, Brower headed to California where he and his wife pursued their passion for wine.

Brower found great natural beauty in Carmel/Monterey and a perfect location suitable for grape growing and winemaking. Shortly after arriving to California in the late 1970's, Brower built Château Julien Wine Estate, releasing the inaugural vintage in 1982. Chateau Julien became well-known for producing Bordeaux varietals, specifically merlot. Over the course of thirty-three (33) years Brower sold nearly 8 million cases and launched multiple brands throughout the U.S. and Internationally, including Emerald Bay. Château Julien sold in 2015.

Devoted to his community, Brower joined the Board of Directors for the Hospice of the Monterey Peninsula. A short time later, Bob was appointed by the Monterey County Board of Supervisors to the Monterey County Workforce Investment Board. In addition, Bob served on the Monterey County Vintners and Growers Association Board as Chair.

In addition to Brower's duties, he was elected to the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, where he served as Chair of the Water Supply Committee. Brower's other community services included Trustee of the Monterey County Business PAC; Trustee of the Monterey Wine Education Foundation, Board Member of the Monterey County Hospitality Association, and volunteering on the “Chain Gang” during the Carmel High School football season.

Bob was a natural born leader whose resilience and achievements positively impacted many in both his public and personal life. Bob is survived by his wife, son, two daughters, mother, sister, and grandchildren. He will be deeply missed by his family, friends and all that knew him.

As Bob always said, “Make sure you accomplish something every day”



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INSURANCE

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now to the state's highest court for a decision, due to the huge number of similar cases and outstanding insurance claims, as well as those already denied.

"We believe these extraordinary times call for extraordinary procedural measures," Ferguson said. "California's small business economy could wither and die if there is no insurance relief."

He noted a couple of universities are now tracking insurance-related lawsuits resulting from the pandemic and described the number of suit as "voluminous."

'A ripple effect'

"There are also undoubtedly thousands of businesses that have submitted claims and been denied and just don't have the will or the resources to mount a challenge," he said.

"If successful, this will have a ripple effect beyond the cases in court, because it will clarify the obligation of insurance companies to cover losses due to Covid."

Ferguson and his colleagues are preparing their case for the Appeals Court, but they hope the California Supreme Court will take up the case, "because this affects so many people in the state and throughout the country."

The case "presents an opportunity to resolve a critical aspect of the Covid-19 litigation tsunami swelling the dockets of California's trial courts," they wrote in their "petition to transfer" filed Oct. 16.

"While the governing principles of insurance law are clear, California small businesses urgently need a decision from this court addressing whether the dangerous presence of coronavirus amounts to 'physical loss of or damage to property' — and presumably the insurance industry would like a decision, too," they continued. "In ordinary times, the prudent course might be to allow Covid-related insurance cases to work their way through the trial and appellate courts. But these are not ordinary times."

"This is an emergency in every sense of the word, and a disaster," Ferguson said of the economic fallout from months of little to no tourism — just one of the many sectors brutally hit by the shutdowns. "This is why people buy insurance."

FIRE

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stands at where it's been for two weeks at 98 percent. It has destroyed 14 homes.

This week, hand crews repaired containment lines, while heavy equipment operators and chipping crews worked to make roads safe.

The fire started Aug. 18 just east of Highway 1 near Esalen Institute. Ivan Geronimo Gomez, 30, of Fresno, remains jailed on felony arson charges, with his bail set at \$2 million.

All federal land in the Big Sur backcountry remains closed, as does Nacimiento Ferguson Road.



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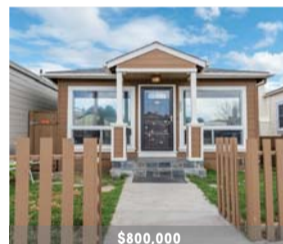
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The worldwide epidemic shut down school campuses

emotionally, and physically — on 14- to 18-year-olds who also have endured soul-crushing cancellations of their high school sports seasons in the spring, summer and fall of 2020. They still don't know if they'll be permitted to play in January.

Staying sane, grounded and physically fit has required creativity and determination — qualities that can be more elusive in solitude. Runs seem longer, weights feel heavier, pushups and sit-ups become more tedious when we're alone ... and when the light at the end of the tunnel is just a flicker. But for many student-athletes at three local high schools — Santa Catalina, Carmel, and Stevenson — physical activity has been therapeutic.

"I've tried my best to stay indoors, but that came with some challenges of not getting fresh air and feeling trapped," said three-sport athletic Ana Leissner, a Santa Catalina boarding student who lives in Hong Kong. "When I felt bored and isolated, I'd go for a walk, where I could

see other people and be outside, for once."

Fueled by optimism and faith, Leissner (who competes in soccer, track, and cross-country) and other athletes have continued to work out, even while their sports seasons are on hold, hopeful that the air will be safe to breathe by mid-December, a target date for high school practices to resume, and early January, when competition hopefully will begin again.

But conditioning hasn't been easy.

The challenge of self-motivation

Carmel High junior Amir Brown has plenty on the line as a football player who has already attracted attention from Oregon State, Arizona State and Jackson State. He also plays basketball for the Padres.

"It is hard to work out and stay in shape with all the restrictions and lack of equipment and gyms that I'd normally be able to use," Brown said. "I'm very grateful that

I have family members with gyms in their garages, and I've managed to find open fields and parks to get my field work in."

"Facilities and resources I would normally be using — places like Monterey Sports Center, travel-team basketball courts, indoor facilities at Carmel High and Stevenson — have been unavailable due to shelter-in-place," said another Carmel junior, Elle Bohlman, who plays basketball, lacrosse, golf and football (she kicked two extra points and a field goal for last year's varsity). "I haven't let shelter-in-place impact my ability to stay in shape, because my goal is to try to get better every day."

For Bohlman, that's meant playing golf (local courses are open), running on the beach, practicing basketball skills on her home court, lifting weights and doing cardiovascular workouts, running on the beach and CHS

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

in mid-March, preventing student-athletes from using athletic fields, weight rooms, pools and gymnasiums. Health clubs and sports centers were closed, and some beaches were declared off limits.

Those shelter-in-place restrictions have largely forced people into isolation and taken a heavy toll — mentally,



Local student-athletes are in limbo, wondering about the future. Amir Brown (left), a Carmel linebacker, has attracted scouts from several colleges. Stevenson running back Tyler Olson (center) has become faster and stronger since his junior season, while in September, Stevenson junior Rhea Cosand (right) went to Utah — a state with fewer virus restrictions — for a lacrosse showcase.

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track and kicking a football.

“The biggest thing has been loss of motivation — a lot of kids can’t push themselves to do things when they’re used to having teachers and coaches to motivate them,” said Hayden Quilty, who competes in football, basketball and track at Carmel.

“With seasons canceled, I found myself with nothing to work towards, and that’s when you have to think about the bigger picture — the coming years, trying to go to college for sports. I’ve learned a crazy amount of stuff about home workouts and found new ways to work out. My track coach, Nick Cunningham, also has been very helpful to me and other athletes.”

Traveling to work out

At least five Stevenson athletes — lacrosse players Rhea Cosand and Gaby Perez, water polo players Luca Bozzo and Patrick Powers, and football running back Tyler Olson — have traveled to find the workouts they need.

“My family and the Powers family are renting a house together right now in Orange County so we can continue to play water polo,” said Bozzo, who, along with Powers, is practicing three days a week, twice each day, with SoCal Water Polo, the No. 1-ranked water polo club in the nation.

Cosand and Perez traveled in late September to Utah, where shelter-in-place restrictions haven’t shut down athletics, to showcase their lacrosse skills for college recruiters.

“I really miss the adrenaline and excitement from competing in games, and I’m extremely hopeful that we’ll be able to get back on the field as a team,” said Cosand, a junior midfielder who already has a full-ride scholarship offer on the table from UC Davis.

Olson also left the Central Coast to perform for college scouts, but was disappointed in the limitations at those events.

“I traveled to the Bay Area and Fresno to attend a couple of showcases, but the drills were limited and there weren’t many ways to show how I compete.”

Sarah Sheetz, who plays soccer, tennis, and lacrosse at Santa Catalina, said exercise has been a key to her mental health, especially during the school week, when she spends hours in front of her home computer taking remote classes.

“As easy as it sounds, sitting at a computer all day is exhausting,” Sheetz said. “Getting up and moving around, even for a few minutes, makes it a whole lot easier, and getting outside really helps me stay focused and alert.”

Classmate Alex Nickel, a Catalina boarding student, said she’s only been minimally impacted by the pandemic as a golfer, because courses in her home state, Arizona, where Covid restrictions are minimal, are open.

“I’ve been able to practice and play regularly at Phoenix Country Club, and I’ve also been participating in virtual cardio classes hosted by Catalina,” she said.

Virtual training sessions

Virtual workouts and meetings, usually facilitated by the Zoom video app, have been a saving grace for multiple local athletes, including Bohlman, who has participated in almost daily basketball workouts hosted by her travel team, West Coast Elite NorCal.

Stevenson’s Josh Peyton, who has committed to play baseball next year at the University of Chicago, said he was able to use the cancellation of his high school baseball season last spring to his advantage.

“I missed competing with my teammates, but I really focused on deficiencies in my game,” he said. “I trained three days a week with Nick Cunningham, Carmel’s track coach, to improve my speed. I’ve

worked on my fielding and mindfulness with Nate Trosky, spent countless hours on my own in the batting cage, and worked with CSU Monterey Bay assistant coach Kyle Czaplak on pitch locations. My dad became very good at hitting pop-ups to me in the backyard, and I got good at avoiding the trampoline and furniture to catch them.”

Next week: What’s the risk if high school sports resume during the pandemic, and why is it worth it? In Part 3 of this series, athletes discuss their fears and comfort levels. Student-athletes, parents, and coaches at Carmel, Santa Catalina, and Stevenson are invited to email Dennis Taylor at scribelaureate@gmail.com to share their thoughts on this topic.




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BY LARRY MESLER

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Dear Robert: *There are exceptions, and antiques are still selling, but not at the prices of the past. It is in the hands of the younger generation. On the bright side, there are some incredible buys to be had.*

DEAR LARRY: When I see real estate auction, I’m thinking you will get less money for your real estate. Is that the case? - Bert in Monterey

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Editorial

Guilty as charged

TREES HAVE been all over the news these last few weeks — first, a property owner was hit with \$34,000 in fines for damaging several specimens during construction of a home on Guadalupe Street. And before the wood chips had settled from that controversy, it was discovered that a contractor accidentally cut down a healthy, 125-foot pine on Monterey Street after being hired by the city to remove a large cypress around the corner. Who knows what will happen to that wretched fellow?

Except for the economic shutdown, Carmel has barely been touched by the coronavirus epidemic. We haven't had a single Antifa riot. The fires in Cachagua and Big Sur were terrible, but the smoke has disappeared, and so has the anxiety. The upcoming election for mayor and council has been a good-natured affair. And, since California is solidly Democratic, even the presidential election seems far, far away.

Meanwhile, urban refugees are not only clamoring to move here, they're emptying their bank accounts to do so. If you're a fan of our weekly home sales listings, you know that not only are an unprecedented number of homes selling these days, they're going for insanely high prices. Last week, to cite just one example among many in recent months, 10 homes closed escrow in Carmel-by-the-Sea and the neighborhoods just outside its borders, and the average price was \$3.5 million. That is crazy.

Truly, Carmel is one of the most blessed places on earth, but that doesn't stop some of the people who live here from being miserable. One local was so mad about the tree being accidentally cut down, she sent us an email to warn that the village was suffering "death by a thousand cuts." And it wasn't just the tree that had her upset.

"Our quality of life and the aesthetic beauty that brings visitors from around the world is being eroded — one dead tree, one built-out lot, one profit-driven landlord, one predatory retail store, one crumbling sidewalk, one battered squirrel can, and one drunk tourist at a time," she wrote.

She also said this newspaper is to blame.

"I wish The Pine Cone reported on positive stories the way it used to. You may be part of the problem, I'm afraid," the woman charged.

We are most definitely guilty — but not because of what we report. The crimes of The Pine Cone are much deeper than that, and they've been going on since the newspaper was founded.

The Pine Cone, you see, is printed on paper, and paper (sit down, please) comes from trees.

All newspapers — even the most tree-hugging, environmentalist-minded, climate-change-alarmist ones — are printed on paper that comes from dead trees. There is some recycling going on, but the demand is much greater, and since the newspaper was invented, the number of trees that have been killed to make them possible is surely in the hundreds of billions. Here at The Pine Cone, we've consumed our share.

And it's not just newspapers that are at fault. Books, letters, greeting cards, bills, political fliers and junk mail are all created with paper. Likewise, the cartons that pretty much everything you buy comes in, along with all those Amazon boxes that things are delivered in. They're all made from paper, and all of them sometimes cross our doorstep.

Furniture is made from wood (more dead trees), and while our desks and tables are pretty old, we definitely have some, not only at our office, but in our homes. And speaking of our office and the places we live in — those are made from wood, too. So are hundreds of other things we use every day. Shame, shame.

We like to think we still have some virtue left, because we have moved a lot of our output online. In fact, just a few weeks ago, the circulation of our electronic edition surpassed the printed one. And we don't use paper around the office as much as we used to. Even better: We don't use anything made from trees that grew around here. All the trees cut for our benefit come from someplace far away, which makes it much easier not to think about them.

Yes, Carmel is on the road to ruin, and The Pine Cone is as guilty as anybody. When a tree is accidentally damaged or cut down, the world comes close to ending, and the same thing happens every time this newspaper hits the streets.

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'Stronger to follow'

Dear Editor,

So Carmel City Hall has finally liberated us from the constraints of transparency, accountability and decency!

By allowing anyone in the world (literally) to comment or complain anonymously on city matters, about city staff or even our residents and neighbors, city hall has removed the last tether to a polite and civil society. When someone puts their name on their correspondence, they are responsible for their words. That responsibility is what prevents libelous allegations, gossip and hearsay. Can you imagine the difficulty of the police department and city staff to try to follow up on the veracity of claims without any identification of the writer?

Our council members have clearly been living in caves and have missed the chaos in the greater public domain that has ensued when people are allowed to operate anonymously. And now, you want to "Release the Kraken" of anonymity on our

small town? Bring on the lies, rumors, truly hidden agendas and viciousness and let the circus begin!

Thank you, you short-sighted, bonew-headed idiots. Stronger letter to follow.

Anonymous, Carmel

Man of few words

Dear Editor,

Brian Pierik is an idiot.

Anonymous, Carmel

No backbone

Dear Editor,

You are certainly correct in calling out city attorney Brian Pierik for allowing Carmel's citizens to attack others anonymously without recourse. He has obviously overstepped the laws in this case.

My real problem is with the people who do not have the backbone to stand up for their own opinions. I was always taught that if you have an opinion you should not be ashamed to put your name on it. Shame on the citizens who attack others anonymously and shame on city attorney Pierik for not only allowing it but using the lame excuse of "providing their names would have a chilling effect on their ability to speak up".

Oh, and you may use my name.

Doug Nicoli, Vancouver, Wa.

Amazon 'shameful'

Dear Editor,

Thanks for having the courage to publish the article on Shelby Steele. Double thanks to Mr. Steele and his son. Amazon's decision to bury the truth because it

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Lady Godiva rode a zebra and an artist became an empress

ARTIST MOIRA Wallace (1910-1979) is part of the history of Pebble Beach, and therefore a person I've known about for a long time. Wallace had been a student of celebrated plein air artist Armin Hansen (1886-1957) and, while still a teenager, presented a solo exhibition in 1927 in San Francisco. By 1931, when S. F. B. Morse commissioned her to transform the lower dining room of the Hotel Del Monte, she was already being referenced as a "noted artist." She was only 21.

A 1924 fire destroyed the central sec-

tion of the hotel, which had been re-built in 1887-1888 after an earlier blaze. Morse made the new hotel even grander than before, with an elegant dining room on the main floor, known today as the McNitt Ball Room. On the lower level, Morse added a second dining room which was known initially known as the Grill Room. It featured a large painting on canvas by Armin Hansen — a painting that was rolled up and stored in 1931. To Morse's regret, it later went missing. He provided a description of the painting in his memoirs: "It was 20 feet long by 9 feet high. It was of a Manila Galleon under full sail as seen from the deck of a Spanish merchantman. The sea was rolling and rough, the whitecaps and the galleon were magnificent."

It was more than coincidental the student was hired to create the art that replaced her teacher's. Hansen recommended her. A review of her work at the time described it as "imaginative, symbolical and rhythmic," noting "she employs her inborn understanding of decorative and color value to produce works of great sweep and boldness."

Lady Godiva

She was not only skilled, but amazingly fast. In just over a month, she gave the dining room a Bali-themed décor featuring frescoes of with 70 large Bali natives, each more than 6 feet high. The murals were enhanced by gold and silver leaf. In the 1920s, Bali was being touted as "The Last Paradise ... where natives are still natives." The beauty and culture were celebrated in books and documentary movies of the day. The newly decorated space at Hotel Del Monte opened as the Bali Room on New Year's Eve 1931.

Later in the 1930s Moira worked on several WPA projects, including a mural for Monterey High School, and became known for her



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Moira Wallace with her Bali Room frescos, completed at the Hotel Del Monte in late 1931.

History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

portraiture, splitting her time between Carmel and San Francisco. She also helped organize parties sponsored by artists in both communities. Her Lady Godiva riding on a zebra became a collectible invitation for a 1933 artists' ball at Hotel Del Monte, and she was named empress to rule over the first Parilia — an ancient-Roman-themed ball in January 1934.

Eucalyptus love

In November 1935, she married Peter Graham Harnden. He was three years younger, but a man of the world. His Hawaiian-born father was a U.S. consul and his Californian mother graduated from Berkeley and studied in Europe with Carl Jung and Sigmund Freud. Harnden was born in London and educated in Germany. Moira met the romantic figure when he was a director at the Golden Bough theater.

Moira's younger brother Kevin described Harnden as "an international ne'er-do-well." That insight comes from Kevin's memoir, posthumously published earlier this year. Matt Berger, a great grandson of Kevin, published "The Big Work: 125 years of Art, Journalism, and the American West." This oversized book, with 310 beautifully produced pages, melded family clippings, art and the family's story, as recounted by Kevin.

From "The Big Work," I learned that Moira's parents, Grant and Peggy Wallace, were among Carmel's early bohemians. It was an amazing family, and I will tell the story of Moira's parents in a future column. For now, I will simply tell you that before coming to the Monterey Peninsula, Grant

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He's chased a lot of rabbits

THE ART education of Ron Rice has taken many forms, and veered in multiple directions, but he always goes to a favorite place when he wants to learn something new.

"I go down the rabbit hole," said the 73-year-old Pacific Grove resident, who, over the past 17 years, has taught himself to be a jewelry maker, a metalsmith, a sculptor, an acrylic painter, and, most recently, a

digital artist, mostly through patience and persistence. "If I try something and enjoy it, I'll do whatever it takes to get better at it. It becomes a bit of an obsession."

Creating abstract art using an iPad and multiple digital apps is Rice's latest all-encompassing obsession, a passion that typically occupies six or seven hours of his day as he uses state-of-the-art technology to play with shapes and colors on a computer screen, pushing and pulling them, layering them, twisting and folding them until something aesthetically and intriguingly emerges and surprises him.

Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

hole. I was making a lot of mud at first, but for me it's always about doing something over and over and over again, until I start to figure it out. I persist, and I learn things over time."

Rice's earliest "rabbit hole" interest — music — began when he was a child in Pasadena with a Japanese transistor radio he'd sneak into his bed each night so he could listen in the dark to legendary disc jockey Wolfman Jack, broadcasting from a 50,000-watt radio station in Del Rio, Texas.

As a teenager, he worked at a men's apparel store, spending his paycheck every Friday at a local record store, "The Village Hut."

His unusual knowledge of popular music attracted the attention of talent recruiters at Los Angeles-based record companies, who gave him a dream job when he was 18.

"Warner Brothers and other companies would pay me to go into the clubs, scout music acts, and report back," Rice said. "They always gave me free tickets, always great seats. I'd get maybe 15-20 albums a week from Warner Bros., Columbia, RCA, Asylum and other record companies."

"I was going five or six nights a week to places like the Troubadour, the Whiskey, the Roxy Theater," he said, rattling off the West Hollywood locations. He also hit L.A.'s Ash Grove the Ice House in Pasadena, the Santa Monica Auditorium, and the Forum in Inglewood (where he saw Elvis perform).

He did more than just listen. "Afterward, I'd try to meet the performers, thank them for their music, and have a conversation with them. I met Jackson Browne, Tom Waits, Bruce Springsteen, Captain Beefheart ... it was all pretty amazing."

Some of those introductions came after Rice's dreamy ride was temporarily interrupted by the draft. After two weeks at Fort Ord — during which he never left the confines of the base thanks to a meningitis quarantine — he was sent to Vietnam, where he served as a radio specialist until he was grazed by a .50-caliber machine gun shell on one occasion, and by friendly fire on another.

Jewelry

When he came home, Rice enrolled in a junior college, returned to the music industry, and eventually was hired by the U.S. Postal Service, working in Los Angeles, the East Bay, Mendocino (where he also dabbled as a Monday night disc jockey on KOZT) and San Mateo.

Although his personal art collection includes a framed finger painting that he made as a 5-year-old

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Ron Rice's digital abstracts are part of an exhibit at Sunset Center's Marjorie Evans Gallery through Dec. 6.

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HISTORY

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Wallace was a well traveled investigative journalist for various San Francisco newspapers. He also fancied himself a horticulturist. In late 1908, Grant installed an experimental garden at his home on Junipero and 11th. He is also said to be the instigator for planting eucalyptus trees in the Carmel area.

Grant married Peggy McKiver in 1909, and Moira was born on April 2, 1910. In the 1920s, Wallace built a cottage at the northeast corner of Sixth and Torres that served as the family home for many years.

A visit from Salvador Dali

Kevin's narrative in "The Big Work" is a bit rambling and has a confusing chronology. For instance, he puts Moira's marriage and WPA work before her Bali Room work. Still, it provides a view into the life of a unique family.

Moira came to agree that her husband was a ne'er-do-well and in April 1939 was able to obtain a quick divorce in Nevada. Minutes later, she married Baron Walram von Schoeler, a German importer with homes in New York and San Francisco, and a villa in Italy — or so she believed. She soon learned he had no ability to support them. They separated in June 1939 and she had that marriage annulled.

Moira made a better choice for her third marriage, when in March 1941, she married Guthrie Courvoisier. Since 1931, he had operated San Francisco's Courvoisier Gallery on Post Street. Just before the marriage, Moira had returned to the Hotel Del Monte where, in February 1941 she made an addition to the Bali Room in a different style.

The Courvoisiers welcomed Salvador Dali for a special exhibition at their gallery on his first visit to California. A few weeks later, Dali's famous party was held in Moira's Bali Room at the Hotel Del Monte — redecorated for the evening into a surrealist forest.

Soon after the United States entered World War II, Courvoisier closed his gallery and developed a plastics company to make parts for military equipment. After the

war, the couple bought a home in Carmel Highlands and Guthrie started a new business in the Seaside dunes, Courite Products, Inc. He developed Courite as a lightweight resin for art frames. In 1947, his first customer, ordered the frames for numerous mirrors and pushed the plant to near capacity.

Murals were lost

Soon, working with Moira on designs, Courvoisier mastered the technique of adding inlaid materials — coins, shells, seaweed — to high-gloss resin to create artistic trays. They called the unique material Couroc and reorganized the company as Couroc of Monterey. By 1950, they had dropped the frame business, had 20 employees and were selling to specialty shops in 300 cities across the country.

In 1955, Moira was called back to do mural décor as Morse expanded The Lodge at Pebble Beach. Both her Bali-themed fresco at the hotel and her Arabian Nights-themed fresco in what is today's Pebble Beach Room were lost with later room remodels.

Also in the mid-1950s, Moira and her husband built a house on Alameda Avenue in Monterey. Guthrie died in the home on Dec. 9, 1966. Moira remained active in the community until she also died in the home on Jan. 15, 1979. Her brother Kevin inherited the house, and he died there two weeks after his sister, on Jan. 30, 1979.

I thank Kevin's grandchildren for bringing this colorful family to life with the publication of their family archive in "The Big Work."

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(Top) In 1955, Moira Wallace painted a short-lived Arabian Nights-themed mural for a meeting room (today's Pebble Beach Room) added to The Lodge at Pebble Beach. (Above) The Bali Room in the 1930s. Her large, Bali-themed artwork covered walls all around the massive dining room on the lower level of Hotel Del Monte.

GAVEL

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About half a mile from the scene of the collision, Monterey County Sheriff's deputies located Gonzalez and noted that he had injuries consistent with having been in the collision. Upon contact with Gonzalez, CHP officers determined that he was the owner of the vehicle based on his possession of its keys and the driver's seat being adjusted to his size.

Gonzalez ultimately admitted to driving his vehicle west on Boronda Road at 45 miles per hour when he lost control on a roadway curve, causing his vehicle to collide with the dirt embankment. Gonzalez claimed he left the scene because he was bleeding and scared.

As the officers spoke to Gonzalez, they detected the strong odor of alcohol on his breath and noted that his speech was slurred. Gonzalez failed to satisfactorily perform on a series of field sobriety tests, and he provided a blood test that showed a .15 percent blood alcohol concentration.

REPAIRS

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Measures by the city to minimize environmental impacts include replacing unrepairable piles with timber piles encapsulated with a polymer coating to prevent water damage, and keeping debris and other construction materials from entering the Monterey Harbor. Efforts will also be made to help protect nesting birds and the contractor for the construction project will also have a contingency plan in the event hazardous waste spills into the harbor, according to the city.

Fisherman's Wharf was built in the mid-1800s, primarily for unloading freight, and later for the transportation of sardines. The city assumed ownership of the wharf in 1913, after which the purpose of it slowly changed to the tourist-oriented facility it is today. Wharf No. 2, built in 1926 to primarily serve the commercial fishing industry, is home to the local yacht club and other businesses, including a wholesale firm market and an abalone farm.

Editor's note: The history of the Monterey Waterfront was the subject of last's weeks "History Beat" column by Neal Hotelling.

ARTIST

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kindergarten student, Rice's interest in art didn't begin to simmer until he was a young adult, following artistic Long Beach State students to their art showcases and frequenting Southern California museums.

His first foray into creating art was ill-fated. "I tried to take a night class in jewelry-making one time in Monrovia," he recounted. "When I walked in, I discovered that I was the only guy there, and it quickly became obvious that the women didn't want me there, so I didn't go back."

He retired from the postal service and settled in Pacific Grove in 2003, and four years later he enrolled in another jewelry-making class at Monterey Peninsula College.

"I still had no idea what I was doing, and didn't have any tools, so I sat in the back row," he said. "But a couple of older guys kind of took me under their wings and showed me a few things, and, of course, I went down the rabbit hole. I started doing inlaid jewelry, using jasper, gold and silver. I discovered that it was really hard to do, and really takes time, but, for me, it was really fun."

'Kid in a candy store'

In 2009, Rice was browsing in a Mendocino bookstore one day when another customer asked about the necklace he was wearing.

When she learned that it was his own creation, she encouraged him to show his wares down the street at Highlight Gallery.

The 46-year-old gallery has showcased his jewelry, metalwork, acrylic paintings, and now his digital artwork, ever since. His website, ronricepainter.com, has plenty of images and additional information about his work.

"I'm fortunate to have one pension from the postal service, and another one for my military service. Those pay the bills," said Rice, who hasn't owned a television for 17 years and still listens to music relentlessly as he creates his art. "As a guy who sometimes worked 60 hours a week at the post office, I feel like a kid in a candy store now that I'm retired. I meet a lot of older folks who don't have any hobbies at all, and I feel bad for them. I would wither if I couldn't do what I'm doing."

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MEYER

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our EOC, we have to have him," Rerig said, calling Meyer's death "a really tragic loss."

When he wasn't working, Meyer spent time at a cabin in Shasta County, where he boated and fished, often with his dad. He also enjoyed riding horseback and riding quads, and volunteered in the medical unit at Laguna Seca during races.

"Laguna Seca was a big thing for us," Warnshuis said, before their daughters and son were born, and he also competed in races throughout the state, winning many.

Meyer was a licensed HAM radio operator, too, and loved cooking — especially barbecue, which he shared

with friends, family, fellow firefighters and others. For years, he helped out in the kitchen at a downtown restaurant whenever the need arose and he had the time.

Meyer's three children, Caitlin, Kendall and Jordan — who followed in his father's footsteps to become a firefighter for the City of Bakersfield — were shocked and saddened by his unexpected passing, according to Warnshuis, who said she felt the same.

"They were the light of his life, and he, theirs," she said of their son and daughters.

"He was a great father," Jedinak said. "I really admired how much he doted over his kids and did so many things with them as a dad."

The family was last all together for Kendall's wedding in July, she said, grateful they had that last time together. Jordan's wedding was held over the weekend, and Meyer was sadly missed.

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LETTERS

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doesn't conform to the preferred narrative is shameful.

Matt Suess, Carmel

'One-sided and hostile'

Dear Editor,

The Pine Cone's reporting on Pacific Grove councilwoman Jenny McAdams' anti-system-racism initiative in the Oct. 9 issue is one-sided and outright hostile. McAdams suggested "evaluating city strategies [and] policies" to strive for "equality." This proposal sounds both worthy in intent and largely exploratory in nature and is probably meant to shed light on problems that are yet to be fully understood but are quite likely present.

However, the article points out no fewer

than four times that McAdams did not offer concrete examples of racism in Pacific Grove's government or policies. Why the intense scrutiny? What is at stake? When the police chief and city manager claimed they had not observed signs of systemic racism, The Pine Cone took it at face value rather than, say, relentlessly badgering the police chief about statistics on traffic stops. The possibility of racism's presence is powerfully resisted yet its denial is passively accepted.

Perhaps we can trace some of the elusive contours of systemic racism by when and how race is brought up or which proposed measures are fiercely ridiculed. In this same paper, George Floyd was once described as a "Minneapolis man" (while that is a fair description, his Blackness was notably omitted as if it did not matter) yet a P.G. cop with a Three Percenters sticker on his car is clearly labeled as "Hispanic." Why? Does it diminish the relevance of

his membership in the Three Percenters, a group that calls on law enforcement to refuse to enforce rules they disagree with? Is the cop more Hispanic than Floyd was Black? Who gets to choose? Is McAdams a White councilwoman? How does race matter in our lives? These are complex questions but the opposition to even asking them makes them and many others all the more necessary to ask.

Gabe Abeyta Canepa, Seaside

'Something not right'

Dear Editor,

Last week I opened my latest property tax bill with more than the usual feeling of dread. Since my livelihood was eliminated early this year, I am wondering: How I will come up with the thousands of dollars being demanded of me by the tax collector? What exactly are we getting in exchange for paying huge property taxes each year? A fired school superintendent who receives \$312,000 in salary and benefits through next year for not working? Kids are out in the neighborhoods during weekdays and parents are taking unpaid time off to assume the role of classroom managers, but absent staff still receive full salary and benefits?

The Pine Cone reports that local private schools are opening with solid plans, yet nothing is certain with property tax-funded CUSD, except that the entire staff is getting paid regardless? Are incumbent board members representing union interests? Shouldn't they be serving tax-paying families?

The district budget for 2020/2021 is over \$60 million, much of which goes to administrative salaries in the DO. Buses aren't running, classrooms are vacant, and taxpayers are required to pay for services not received. Is it too much to expect that our government entities exercise responsible fiscal stewardship of our tax dollars? Or perhaps socialism is the way to go for all of us? Forgive me for feeling ripped off. Something is just not right when public servants have more financial security than

the constituents who support them.

C.R. Vaughn, Carmel Valley

Saving the stump

Dear Editor,

I was shocked to read that the majestic pine outside of my Carmel home was cut down. My home is a second home on the corner of Monterey and First.

We can't bring the tree back, but maybe the stump can live on as a sculpture. Let's hire an artist to sculpt something out of the tree stump, and make the tree service pay for it as his penalty.

City hall is closed and there is no one to keep this story alive except our newspaper.

Thanks for your help,

Angelo Annaloro, Baton Rouge, La.

Water board favorites

Dear Editor,

I looked at the names of those who are supporting Public Water Now, and they are the same folks who advocated for incorporating Carmel Valley and who have fought all measures that allowed growth. As it turned out, incorporation failed, and had Carmel Valley been incorporated, it would have been a financial and operational disaster.

They are using PWN to try to take over the water board and use it to stymie growth by controlling the availability of water. We need people on the water board who are intelligent, fact driven and committed to what is best for this county. Rudy Fischer and Gary Hoffman fit that bill and deserve your vote.

I would also note that there has been a flurry of Letters to the Editor advocating for their opponents. I have seen this before. It is an orchestrated process to make voters think that there is an overwhelming support for a candidate or an issue. Do not be fooled by the skills.

Michael Addison, Carmel Valley

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Anti-First Amendment?

Dear Editor,
Does letter writer Maher Essi (Oct. 16) not understand what the proud citizen who has a Trump sign on his lawn was saying? Civility is at the foundation of intelligent discourse especially with regards to political opinion. If Essi thinks that the country is on the verge of civil war (probably it would be quite uncivil), perhaps the reason is that Antifa, an organization that is “anti”-First Amendment, is the cause of much of the violence that is currently destroying many inner cities. These black-masked, helmeted thugs have been shutting down civil discourse for years whenever any conservative speaker is invited to a college campus. Do I despise white supremacists? Yes, I despise white supremacists. I also despise Antifa and others who claim to stand for free speech but only when it is speech with which they agree.

Carl S. Ingber, M. D.
Pebble Beach

‘Compassion and integrity’

Dear Editor,
As a previous resident of Carmel and prior registered nurse at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, this village has a special place in my heart. I have been following the election for mayor and feel compelled to voice my support of Judy Refuerzo for the position. Although she is less experienced in the world of politics, I believe that she will flourish in this role.

She has many qualities integral to leadership and understands the importance of

sound decision making as well as the determination and insight to provide strategic vision in challenging times. With a career in the semiconductor industry, Judy has a proven track record in a high-pressure field that demands advanced problem -solving skills.

I believe these executive traits will assist Judy in any difficult transitions necessary to the city. I also believe her compassion, integrity and determination will guide her as she embodies a steady moral compass. These two traits are necessary for anyone in a position of influence and authority. Common sense, intellect, and a moral compass are a recipe for success for the city of Carmel.

Kimberly Allen,
previous resident of Carmel

‘Experience and leadership’

Dear Editor,
I arrived, a businessman, in Carmel-by-the-Sea in 1978, so I have seen several mayors come and go. But three stand out as exceptional, in my book.

Ken White served from 1992 to 2000 — four terms. He was a man of principle who was fair-minded, logical, non-partisan, with a hands-on approach. He did wonders for Carmel, including helping to bring Pebble Beach Tour d’Elegance to the Avenue.

Next came Sue McCloud, who served for six terms, from 2000 to 2012, and who famously said, “It was easier to help win the Cold War than to be the mayor of Carmel. You knew who your enemies were.” She was a locally grown mayor dedicated to balancing both the needs of the business community and most locals’ desire to cling to the city’s historic past.

Third is Dave Potter. I get the same feeling that Carmel’s in great hands with Dave. His experience, running over 40 years in politics in Monterey County, says it all ... plus what he has done during his current two-year administration. Under Dave’s leadership, under heavy financial stress from coronavirus, the city not only balanced its budget but saved a community priority, preservation of its ambulance service. On affordable housing, Dave’s administration banned short-term rentals in downtown to provide more reasonably priced housing for people wanting to become a part of the community, but who cannot afford to buy here.

For businesses being decimated by the shutdown, he responded quickly and effectively, working with the Carmel Residents’ Association and the business community to save downtown. The city allowed restaurants to open sidewalk dining and retail

shops to stay open with protocols in place. He is articulate, smart, energetic and dedicated. A man for the challenges that face our beautiful, exceptional Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Denny LeVett, Carmel

‘The nice things are true’

Dear Editor,
When I was putting together the board of directors for the first Big Sur Marathon, I was lucky to snag Hugo and Karen Ferlito. They were mainstays of the event, and still are after all these years. I was delighted to see that Karen is running for city council! You could not have a better council member. All the nice things you hear people say about her are true, but I want to add one seldom mentioned and sorely needed: She has a sense of humor!

Bill Burleigh,
founder, Big Sur Marathon

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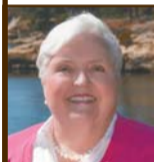
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Pancreatic cancer — demystifying an uncommon, but aggressive, killer

By ELAINE HESSER

OFTEN, THE public learns more about a disease after a celebrity is diagnosed with it. Magic Johnson put a relatable face on HIV/AIDS, for example, and it's hard to deny the positive force that Michael J. Fox has been for Parkinson's disease.

But despite recent media reporting on Alex Trebek (host of the TV quiz show, "Jeopardy!") and Supreme Court justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, pancreatic cancer hasn't garnered the same sort of attention. Others who have had died from it include

Steve Jobs, Dizzy Gillespie, Michael Landon, Patrick Swayze and astronaut Sally Ride.

Survival rates

Cancer of the pancreas is a particularly aggressive form of the disease, and compared to most types, is extremely difficult to detect. By the time it's discovered, it has often spread to nearby organs.

The good news is that pancreatic cancer accounts for 3 percent of cancers in the United States, with about 57,000 people diagnosed annually, according to the American Society of Clinical Oncology.

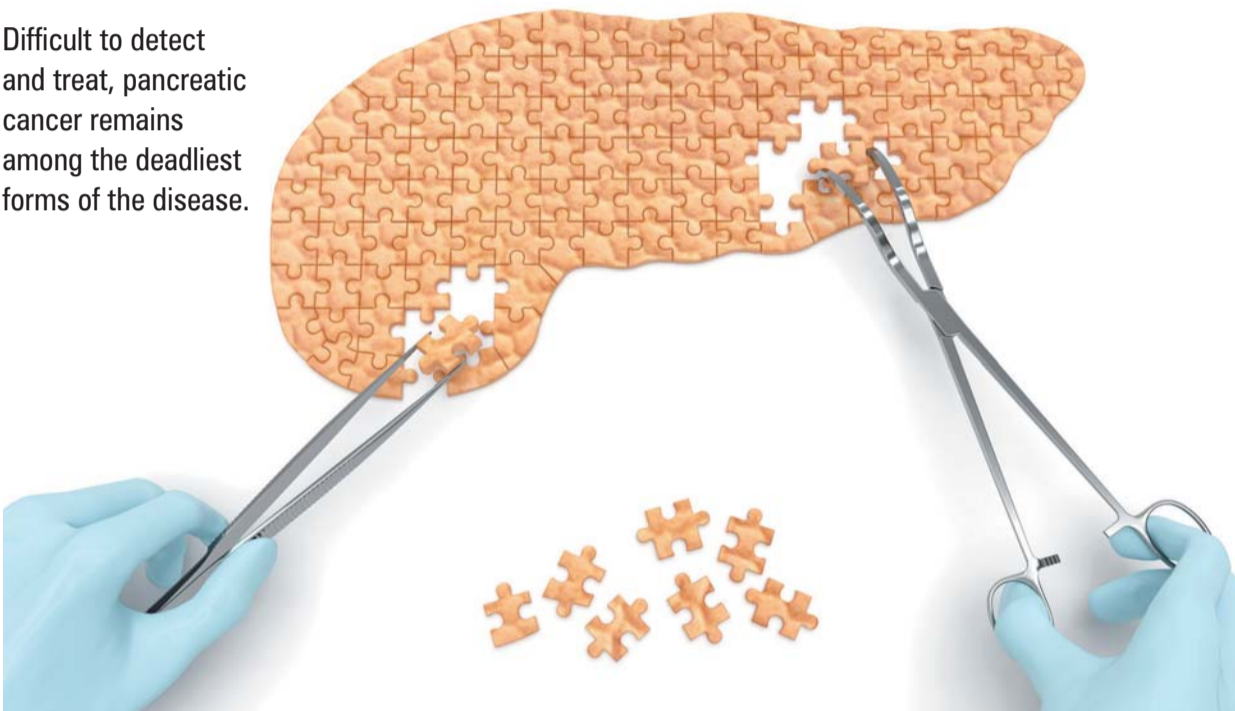
But the same organization estimated that only 9 percent of those diagnosed will live five years or longer, while the National Institutes of Health reported a slightly more optimistic 10-to-11-percent survival rate. That's compared to a five-year survival rate of 64 percent for colon cancer, and 91 percent for non-metastatic breast cancer.

Risk factors

To understand why pancreatic cancer can be so deadly, it's helpful to start with the pancreas itself — an oddly shaped, 6-inch long structure that produces enzymes which aid in digestion, as well as hormones, including insulin, which is necessary to regulate blood sugar levels.

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Difficult to detect and treat, pancreatic cancer remains among the deadliest forms of the disease.



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Statins — the good and the better

By ELAINE HESSER

WHEN DOCTORS and researchers study what a drug does in the human body, they are sometimes pleasantly surprised. Hippocrates wrote around 400 B.C. that consuming the bark and leaves of a willow tree reduced fevers and relieved pain. Now aspirin — a product of that tree — is an inexpensive, over-the-counter pain

reliever that's also routinely recommended to prevent heart attacks and colon cancer. More recently, starting in 1987, lovastatin was the first drug of its kind marketed to lower cholesterol. Now, research suggests that not only are the side effects of statins far less dangerous than was originally feared, but that the drugs may aid in fighting dementia and some types of cancer.



Dr. M. Kerala Serio

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The drugs' reputation has suffered some from early trepidation about side effects. Dr. M. Kerala Serio, a cardiologist at Natividad Medical Center, said, "Many people are afraid of statins — a lot of fear has been inserted into patients' thoughts by the media and social media."

Cholesterol is produced naturally

by the body in the liver, but some people make too much and, despite diet and exercise, can't get their numbers — particularly LDL or so-called "bad" cholesterol — down to levels doctors consider safe. Statins, which can act in as quickly as two to four weeks, according to WebMD and other sources, can be a good remedy.

Liver testing

Because statins work in the liver, doctors who prescribe them often require patients to have frequent tests to check that organ's enzyme levels, even though Serio said that the risk of liver toxicity is extremely small.

"It is reasonable to do a baseline liver function test and one three months after starting the statins, but there is no evidence that repeated and frequent testing is necessary," he said. That's in keeping with a 2012 statement from the FDA, which said in part, "routine periodic monitoring of liver enzymes does not appear to be effective in detecting or preventing serious liver injury."

Normally, patients have much less to worry about from the drugs than they do from heart disease. "Statins reduce cardiac disease. They're extremely safe and well tolerated by most people," Serio affirmed.

There have been other concerns

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In the battle of keep v. toss, score one for the keepers

By ELAINE HESSER

WHEN LAST we left our neighbors Siegfried and Wilhelmina Dorkle (aka Siggie and Willie), they had just finished a short walk, followed by a cozy breakfast at Katy's Place. It was there they decided somewhat reluctantly to embark on a fitness program for 2020.

That was, of course, before Things Fell Apart.

Willie's immediate response to the announcement of the pandemic was to check their T.P. supply. It was sobering, not because they didn't have enough, but because they had more

than any two human beings could use in a year, and Willie was never going to live it down.

'Just in case'

For their entire marriage, Willie and Siggie had been fighting the war of "keep or toss." Willie, the inveterate tosser, felt compelled to defend the open space in their tiny cottage, while Siggie was firmly in the "you never know when you might need it" camp.

He'd put six cans of soup into the cart at Nielsen Bros., and she'd put

four back. Letting Siggie shop alone was out of the question. He'd go to Ace Hardware for a hex nut and come back with a Craftsman drill set. And so it went.

Thus, on March 18, when he walked into their little pantry and saw the 30 bars of soap, five gallon jugs of bleach and eight 24-packs of toilet tissue he'd purchased "just in case," Siggie beamed brightly. A bit too brightly for Willie, who bit her tongue. Hard. Repeatedly.

She pulled out the sewing machine Siggie wouldn't let her sell (he beamed at that, too) and started making masks — using a drawer full ancient T-shirts he refused to throw away. "A point for me," she thought.

Night and day

You might think that after they'd been together for decades, sheltering in place was no big deal, but you'd be wrong.

Being shut-in with no one else for company and no place to go but to walk around the neighborhood turned out to be like a cross-country road trip with lousy snacks and no roadside attractions. Or worse, being stranded on the Small World ride in Disneyland with that relentlessly insipid tune blaring ... but I digress.

They figured it out, eventually. Siggie, always a natural morning riser, started getting up earlier and earlier,

and so began hitting the hay around 8 p.m. Willie, the night owl, was up until the wee hours and still in bed at 11 a.m. The remaining nine hours were just about the right time to spend together.

Eye-rolls ensue

When the stores began reopening, however, their newfound routine hit a snag. Willie and Siggie have always been voracious readers, but she preferred her neat and tidy Kindle to Siggie's constantly growing stacks of honest-to-goodness books.

Nevertheless, there he was, combing through the boxes of bargain books outside the Yellow Brick Road.

"Why don't you donate some of your old ones so someone else can read them," Willie asked, trying to appeal to Siggie's altruism. That was a mistake, because like good tempers and senses of humor, that commodity was in short supply all around.

"I haven't finished them yet," he replied.

"You're really going to finish 'War and Peace.' C'mon."

"I've always meant to read it, and this is my big chance," he countered.

"You've been retired for 15 years. What's different today?"

"Well, you know," he said, gesturing at the air. Willie rolled her eyes

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as well. The most common — though still rare — side effects are headaches, nausea and muscle and joint pain, the Mayo Clinic (mayoclinic.org) said.

Expectations

But even those may be somewhat exaggerated because of what that organization has termed a “nocebo effect.” It reported, “A ‘nocebo’ effect means people who have negative expectations about a medication report experiencing the potential side effect at higher rates than the drug should cause.” In other words, if you expect pain, your body may well oblige and produce it for you.

Muscle soreness and fatigue can also be caused by adopting a new exercise program as part of a doctor’s recommendation to improve heart health. When that mile-long walk leaves someone achy, it’s tempting to blame it on the statin, rather than ac-

cepting that they’re just out of shape.

Diabetes

Harvard Medical School notes that if the medication is, in fact, to blame, changing physical activities, taking supplements or changing the type of statin can help, but in any case, no one should stop taking the medication unless they discuss it with their doctor first.

There is also a small increase in the risk of developing diabetes for patients who take statins. But, Serio said, “If you start taking a statin and you are not diabetic, the risk of developing diabetes is statistically smaller than the benefit of taking the medication.... Thus, statins should not be avoided because of the small risk of developing diabetes.”

In addition, for those who already have diabetes, clinical studies have shown that statins significantly reduce cardiac disease.

Bottom line

Finally, some people report memory and thinking problems while using the drugs, but Serio said that so far, there has been no evidence to link statins directly to those issues, particularly when so many other factors can be involved. Paradoxically, there have been other unproven reports that imply statins may help prevent dementia.

Statin work in the liver to lower cholesterol safely and effectively. Side effects are generally minimal.



And while no studies have shown that statins cause cancer, numerous investigations of correlations between that disease and statins have suggested that the drugs may improve some cancer outcomes. However, this possibility has not been confirmed by randomized trials, the gold standard of medical research.

Meanwhile, statins’ ability to lower cholesterol and prevent heart attacks and strokes is well established more than 30 years after the drugs’ initial appearance on the market. WebMD notes that people who take statins can see changes in their cholesterol levels in as little as two to four weeks.

Serio pointed out that “statins have

not been well studied in people aged 75 or older,” and cited American College of Cardiology and American Heart Association guidelines saying there’s little, if any, evidence of benefit (or harm) for patients in that age group.

The bottom line, Serio said, is “If you have an indication to take a statin because of having cardiovascular disease, or risk factors for cardiovascular disease, then simply take the medicine. There is no evidence that you will have more cancer or dementia and no increase in the risk of developing them. The small risk of developing diabetes or muscle pain or liver abnormalities is outweighed by the tremendous benefit of the medication.”



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- Serves 6**
- 6 5-ounce salmon filets**
- 4 teaspoons Old Bay seasoning**
- 3 tablespoons olive oil**
- 1 pound baby spinach leaves**
- 3 tomatoes, cut into wedges**
- 3 cucumbers, sliced**
- 3 ounces crisp bacon, broken into small pieces**
- Balsamic vinaigrette**

Liberally sprinkle both sides of the salmon with Old Bay seasoning. Heat the oil in a non-stick pan, then add the salmon, cooking two to three minutes on each side or until done.

In a large mixing bowl, toss the spinach with enough vinaigrette to coat the leaves. Distribute the spinach evenly



among six serving plates and place one salmon filet onto each bed of spinach. Garnish with tomatoes, cucumber and crumbled bacon.

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Dr. M. Zach Koontz, a physician who is the research director for Pacific Cancer Care Center in Ryan Ranch, said the difficulty in detecting and treating pancreatic cancer comes from its location. "The pancreas is behind the stomach, near the aorta and goes into the spleen," he said. The aorta is attached to the heart and is the body's largest artery.

As with most cancers, the causes are hard to pin down, but age is one risk factor. Dr. Mark Vierra, a surgeon at CHOMP who works extensively with the digestive system, said that patients with pancreatic cancer are usually in their 70s or 80s. (Trebek was 78 when he was diagnosed, Ginsburg was nearly 76.)

Some people with chronic pancreatitis and diabetes may be more likely to get pancreatic cancer. Smoking, alcohol abuse and obesity — which are of course preventable — also put people at increased risk.

Genetic testing can identify some related cancer markers, and about 10 percent of pancreatic cancers are hereditary, the clinical oncology society says. In those situations, a doctor might recommend regular screenings (consisting of an ultrasound or MRI) to catch the disease early if it does develop. As Koontz put it, "You can't change your family, but you could change your family's future."

Another obstacle to successfully detecting pancreatic cancer is that it's largely without symptoms until it becomes quite advanced. By the time Trebek began experiencing the nausea that led to his diagnosis in 2019,

the disease had reached stage four (spread to other organs), and metastasized to his stomach. His wife, Jean, later told several reports that she noticed that "his color was off."



Doctors have said that likely means Trebek had what Koontz referred to as "the prototypical presentation" of the disease, "painless jaundice." This yellowing of the skin is caused when a tumor blocks bile ducts, and may be accompanied by darkening urine and clay-colored feces.

Upper abdominal pain, stomach bloating, nausea and vomiting and chills and sweats are among numerous other symptoms of the disease, but since all those things may accompany many conditions, it sometimes takes a while to get a correct diagnosis.

Most cancerous tumors of the pancreas cannot be completely removed by surgery, either, because of their location or because they've spread to other organs. And, noted Koontz, the probability of a positive outcome is important in deciding whether to op-

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and walked away. "Live to fight another day," she thought.

By summer, they'd gotten to know their younger neighbors, Suzanne, an art teacher, and Geena, a computer programmer, who began working from home.

Each day, they took walks past Willie and Siggy's cottage, stopping to chitchat if anyone was working in the yard or reading under a tree. After a few weeks, Geena felt it safe confiding in Willie.

"Suzi's driving me a little crazy," she said in a low

voice during a solo visit. "She hums all the time. All. The. Time."

"Well, she probably misses her students," Willie offered. She liked Suzi, who was always cheerful and brought homemade chocolate chip cookies over now and then. But Geena was undeterred.

"That's not the worst of it. Ever since this started,

'You might end up thanking her.'

I can't get her to throw anything away. She's afraid we won't be able to get new socks, of all things. It's bizarre."

Willie glanced around furtively. Siggy was on a long, socially distanced walk with one of his friends and wasn't due back for at least 40 minutes.

"Come with me." Geena followed her inside, to the pantry. "Look," Willie said, dramatically pulling the curtain aside. "Siggy won't shut up about how smart he was to stockpile all this stuff."



"Wow! We hardly have any T.P. left," said the younger woman, marveling at the display of sanitary wealth.

Willie grabbed a plastic bag from Siggy's stash and jammed four extra-large rolls into it, along with some homemade masks and a gallon of bleach.

"Take these. And make some extra room for Suzi's stuff. I hate to say it, but you might end up thanking her for it one day."

"Maybe," smiled Geena, with the indulgence of youth. "We'll see."

"Yes, no doubt you will."

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erate. "We don't want to subject patients to surgery if the prognosis isn't good," he said.

Chemotherapy and radiation can also be used to treat the tumor. Of chemotherapy, Vierra said, "We're using traditional chemo in a different fashion — old drugs in a slightly novel way." He explained that doctors are employing a combination of chemotherapy medications usually used for advanced colon cancer and said it's "working better for pancreatic cancer than expected."

Koontz also noted the improvements in chemotherapy and added that surgical planning has gotten better. "Imaging technology certainly has improved

surgery planning, with clearer pictures of the liver, pancreas" and other nearby organs, he said. Giving a patient chemotherapy before surgery also seems to make a positive difference.

The American Cancer Society (cancer.org) said that in addition to genetic research, some major medical centers are doing pancreatic cancer surgery laparoscopically, which decreases recovery time. Different combinations of radiation, chemotherapy and treatments with other types of drugs also have shown some promise, the group reported.

Koontz added that the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (pancan.org) is a good resource for anyone interested in learning more about the disease and ways to help.



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City OKs 'Balcony Session' with cellist; musical Care-A-Thon returns

LIKE SUNSET Center, **The Monterey Symphony** has received permission to present live music — in its case, from the safety of a balcony that's attached to its Hampton Court office at San Carlos and Seventh.

A San Francisco-based cellist and member of the Monterey Symphony, **Saul Richmond-Rakerd** presents a free recital Friday at 4 p.m. The performance is the latest in the symphony's clever Balcony Sessions series.

The symphony's executive director, **Nicola Reilly**, said she contacted city and county officials to confirm that it was OK to put on the recital.

"We reached out to city administrator Chip Rerig, and he said it was his interpretation that the ban on live music

didn't apply to us," Reilly told The Pine Cone. "We have a temporary use permit from the city of Carmel. We also reached out to the county but didn't hear back."

On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

Reilly said the symphony is taking every precaution to keep people safe during the pandemic. "We have been very stringent about following all social distance proto-

cols," she said.

Richmond-Rakerd, meanwhile, is a gifted instrumentalist who flirted with several possible careers before finding his calling.

"He went to Brown University and got degrees in physics and anthropology," Reilly said. "Next, he decided he wanted to be a musician, and he moved to Italy to train as a cellist. Then he came back to the San Francisco Bay area and got a master's degree in music at the San Francisco Conservatory."

"He's one of those both-sides-of-the-brain people," Reilly suggested.

While many musicians have been grounded since the coronavirus shutdown began, Richmond-Rakerd has kept busy by playing porch concerts in San Francisco, which have drawn appreciative — and somewhat distanced — crowds.

At Hampton Court Friday, Richmond-Rakerd will play Bach's *Suite for Solo Cello No. 3 in C Major*; *BWV 1009*, The Beatles' "Yesterday," Sam Cooke's "Change is Gonna Come" and Gaspar Cassadó's *Suite for Solo Cello, I. Prelude - Fantasia*.

■ Singer-songwriter plays 'The Lot'

In the latest installment of its Live in the Lot drive-in concert

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While live music is hard to find these days, two performers — cellist Saul Richmond-Rakerd and singer-songwriter Yvette Gonzalez-Nacer — present distancing-friendly shows in town this week. Richmond-Rakerd offers a free recital Friday in Hampton Court, while Gonzalez-Nacer performs Saturday and Sunday at Sunset Center.

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Revamped Taste of Carmel ABC's latest rules, and more fire relief efforts

TASTE OF Carmel, the most important annual fundraiser for the chamber of commerce, has been rejiggered for the coronavirus era and kicks off Nov. 1 with a month-long program of wine and food sampling at local wineries and restaurants. Organizers revamped the event to offer plenty of opportunity for people to sip and savor while safely keeping their distance, which would have been impossible in the traditional festival setting — the quadrangle at the Carmel Mission — for a few hours on the first Thursday in October.

This year, due to the coronavirus pandemic, chamber CEO Jenny MacMurdo came up with another way to celebrate, and so far, the response has been positive. Participants purchase passports that give them access to tasting

Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

rooms and restaurants, and also provide discounts at dining establishments, food stores and breweries. People have a month to visit the places they choose from a long list of food and wine venues.

Taster, Loyal Local, and VIP

The \$50 Taster passport provides access to four tasting rooms/breweries and a half-dozen restaurants, while the \$100 Loyal Local passport includes visits to 10 tasting rooms and 14 restaurants. The \$150 VIP Dignitary provides the same access as the \$100 passport but includes an additional two weeks to get the visits done, plus additional gift cards and other VIP specials.

"People are really excited about the new format, and they can easily see the value," MacMurdo said. "We've sold about 60 thus far, and they aren't even able to use them until November."

She said many have purchased the passports as gifts. "It's a win-win for people. They get great deals, we get people out to support the local businesses in a safe manner during a quiet month, and the participating businesses get 20 percent of every passport sold."

The chamber still has a long way to go before dubbing it a success, at least from a fundraising standpoint. "Our goal is to sell 400," she said.

Restaurants and stores signed on include 7D, Affina, Allegro, Anton & Michel, Basil, Big Sur River Inn Restaurant, Brophy's, Bud's at La Playa, Café Carmel, Carmel Belle, Carmel Honey Co., Chef Jacques, La Balena, Lafayette Bakery & Café, Little Napoli, Mezzaluna Pasteria & Mozzarella Bar, Montrieo Bistro, Nielsen Bros. Market & Deli, Pescadero, Rio Grill, Rise + Roam, Sur at The Barnyard, Tarpy's Roadhouse, Terry's Lounge in the Cypress Inn, The Cheese Shop, The Crossroads BBQ, The Pocket, Quail and Olive, and Stationaery.

Tasting rooms and other beverage purveyors taking

part include Dawn's Dream, De Tierra, Galante, McIntyre, Manzoni, Nielsen Bros., Scheid, Shale Canyon, Silvestri, Taste Morgan, The Annex, Toro and Windy Oaks.

For more information or to purchase passports, go to carmelchamber.org.

ABC on virtual wine dinners

Since the coronavirus forced restaurants, bars, breweries and tasting rooms to close in mid-March, the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control has tried to at least make things easier on businesses that rely on alcohol sales. The agency lifted prohibitions on cocktails to go, drive-through windows for liquor purchases and delivery, and made accommodations for bars by allowing them to open as long as they can function as de facto restaurants.

And now, the ABC has decided to let winemakers and beer manufacturers partner with retailers to conduct "virtual meet-the-winemaker/brewer dinners."

Previously, such dinners had to be held at a restaurant or other establishment that sells alcohol for consumption on site. But the ABC announced it will not enforce that requirement for wine and beer dinners during the shutdown, as long as they are conducted by and under the control of a restaurant, which must sell all the food and alcohol to the customers.

"We really appreciate the appropriate flexibility of the ABC during these really difficult times," said Kim Stem-

ler, executive director of the Monterey County Vintners & Growers Association. "Early on, the ABC director reached out to the wine industry — including me, personally — to see how they could help our industry survive. Since then, they have participated in calls with all the regional wine associations in the state to see how they can help."

With good reason. According to the county's 2019 crop report, wine grapes grown in Monterey County accounted for \$186,096,000 in sales — a very significant amount, even though it was nearly 25 percent lower than the prior year.

With in-person tastings so limited, Stemler said wineries continue working to improve their virtual tastings. "I think there's a lot of opportunities here and see a lot more growth in this area," she said, adding that the MCVGA also has plans "to expand our virtual experience of both wines and place."

Whatever the solution is, she added, "It has to be more creative and engaging."

Café Carmel's new owner

Sarah Cook, originally from the South Coast of England, is the latest owner of Café Carmel on Ocean Avenue. In her home village, she says she "developed a passion for cooking, baking and celebrations," and dreamed

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Rise+Roam bakery and Toro, the new sushi restaurant on Dolores, will welcome Taste of Carmel passport holders throughout the month of November. The revamped event gives chamber of commerce supporters a month to visit various tasting rooms and restaurants downtown and beyond.

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of one day owning a café of her own. In July 2019, Cook moved her family here and took over the shop, which had been for sale.

Long known as Wishart's after the family that opened it in 1952, the café was subsequently owned by several others, including current city council candidate Mo Mas-soudi, who had it for a dozen years. In the recent past, its display window was one of the best in town, especially for a bakery.

Now at the helm, Cook has updated the interior as well as the menu, which includes baked goods like croissants, Danish pastries and muffins, and breakfast, brunch and

lunch offerings cooked to order.

The breakfast menu includes eggs Benedict, sweet or savory French toast, house-made granola, quiche and breakfast burritos. For lunch, Cook offers salads, home-made soups and panini, as well as tuna salad, roast beef, smoked salmon, chicken salad and BLT sandwiches. Des-serts include chocolate éclairs, tiramisu and Napoleons.

The café is open for takeout and sidewalk dining. It's located between Mission and San Carlos streets. Call (831) 624-3870 or visit cafecarmel.com.

■ **Lula's for the holidays**

Chocolate truffles, sea salt caramels, whimsically shaped chocolate-covered marshmallow treats and other holiday sweets might be more important now than ever, as people crave pleasure and comfort during a season set to be dramatically disrupted by the coronavirus pandemic.

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The offer is only valid online at lulas.com, using the coupon code EARLY2020, through mid-November.

■ **Wine deals at Mezzaluna**

Because owners Soerke Peters and Amy Stouffer hold a license to sell retail wine, as well as offering it to those who want to sip while dining at their Mezzaluna Pasteria & Mozzarella Bar on Forest Hill in Pacific Grove, their deep and interesting wine list is available not just to people who dine in, but for customers in search of the right bottle to take home.

With an eclectic and accessible lineup of domestic and Italian sparkling wines, whites, reds and rosés, plenty of options exist, some at prices well below those offered by the wineries themselves or other retailers. A bottle of Bernardus Sauvignon Blanc, for instance, can be had for a mere \$16, and McIntyre's estate pinot noir sells for \$38, both well below what they can be had for in the wineries'

tasting rooms.

While the most expensive wine on the list is a sought-after 2015 Ornellaia for \$325, many bottles sell for less than \$50, making finding an affordable bottle a cinch. And with three-packs given a 5 percent discount and mixed cases getting 10 percent off, the deal is even sweeter.

The restaurant is located at 1188 Forest Ave. Call (831) 372-5325 or visit mezzalunapasteria.com for more information.

■ **Tira Nanza merch**

The couple who recently bought the former Galante Vineyards property in Cachagua to turn it into their Tira Nanza winery, only to have fire spring up around them in August, is now selling merchandise to raise money for Cachagua fire relief.

"While the smoke here has cleared and things seem to slowly start returning to 'normal', whatever that means these days, we must acknowledge that so many of our neighbors continue to face the struggles and devastation each day of losing everything to the Carmel Fire," Sydney Sharek and Greg Hill said. "After the conversations and insight we gathered from our pizza giveaway and fire relief check-in, we've decided to start selling Tira Nanza merchandise and donating 100 percent of the profits to those who have been directly affected by the destruction of the Carmel Fire."

Go to tirananza.com/shop to help.

■ **PW helps firefighters**

Aware of the astounding efforts volunteer firefighters made during the recent River, Carmel and Dolan fires, Jonathan Roberts, owner and founder of PigWizard sausage shop and deli near the Coast Guard Pier on Cannery Row, is donating 10 percent of sales from his Carmel PorkCorn (light, crispy, air-fried pork rinds coated with orange-caramel, crushed red chilies and rice wine vinegar) and 25 percent of sales from PigWizard merchandise through Nov. 15.

The money will help the Cachagua, Mid Coast and Big Sur volunteer fire brigades, as well as the three Cachagua firefighters who lost their homes in the Carmel Fire.

PorkCorn and logo merchandise can be ordered at pig-wizard.com. The deli is located at 32 Cannery Row, Ste. G. Call (831) 641-7316 for more information.



Until Nov. 15, 10 percent of the sales proceeds from PigWizard's PorkCorn will benefit local volunteer fire departments. Order online or in person at the deli near the Coast Guard pier on Cannery Row.



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African stone sculpture makes its annual migration around the globe

JUST AS it does each fall, Gallery Sur this month unveils a new series of stone sculptures from Zimbabwe. But this year's display won't be accompanied by a festive grand opening. Instead, people can view the show by arranging private visits.

Titled "Life in Stone," the exhibit includes pieces by nine Zimbabwean artists, including three members of the same family who have earned acclaim, **Moses Nyanhongo, Agnes Nyanhongo and Wellington Nyanhongo.**

"Using a diverse selection of colorful stones mined in Zimbabwe, the artists' highly original work reflects a unique perspective from the cultural and spiritual-induced traditions of the ever-changing Zimbabwean society," Gallery Sur owner **David Potigian** told The Pine Cone.

Once each year, Potigian places an order with the sculptors, who live 10,000 miles away. In turn, the sculptors send a shipment weighing between 8,000 and 10,000 pounds to Gallery Sur and two other galleries on the West Coast. It can take as long as four months for the sculptures to arrive, and when they do, the gallery hires a crew to

move the pieces into a storage unit until the show begins. And most will be sold by the time another batch arrives next summer.

"In February and March, the work is finalized," Potigian explained. "Sometime in July, we get a delivery."

Facing tough times

For artists living in Zimbabwe, having clients in California is a really big deal — especially during a pandemic. Potigian said people are really struggling in the country.

"Like many Third World countries, they have issues beyond our imagination," he said. "They're on complete shutdown. Nobody goes in and nobody goes out. With the lack of tourism, you have a horrible situation. The artists are really suffering."

While artists have sculpted in Zimbabwe since ancient times, the country's stone sculptors created a buzz in the art world in the early 1960s, nearly two decades before Rhodesia became Zimbabwe. Five decades later, the sculptors are widely recognized for their talent and the distinctive

style of their creations.

Private tours are available for singles and couples. The gallery is located on Sixth between Dolores and Lincoln. For more details, call (831) 626-2615.

Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

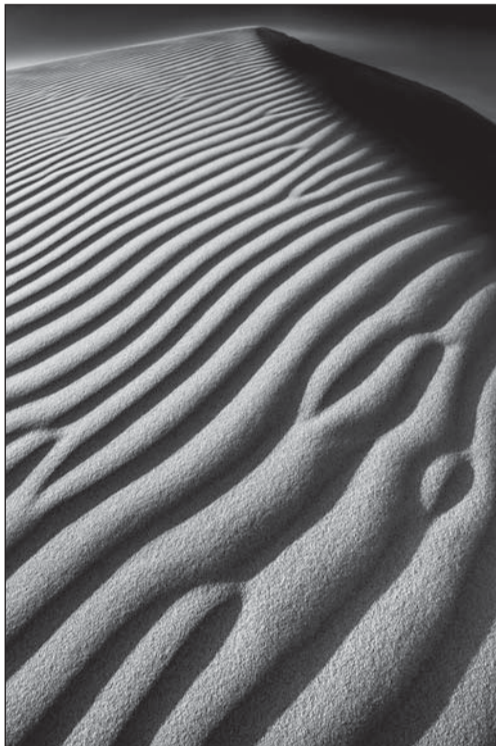
Photo fundraiser nears finish line

The bidding closes Thursday for the Center for Photographic Art's first-ever 8x10 Fundraising Auction.

Besides showcasing the talents of more than 100 contemporary photographers who have made 8-by-10-inch prints — and raising money for the center's many exhibits and programs — the auction includes images by three "local legends." In addition to being pioneering world-class photographers, all were co-founders of the Friends of Photography, which preceded the Center for Photographic Art.

"We have a beautiful cibachrome print of Death Valley by **Cole Weston**," executive director **Ann Jastrab** said.

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Along with images by more than 100 others, Wynn Bullock's "Lynne, Point Lobos, 1956" (above) and Steve Zmak's "Mount Dune" (right) are included in an online fundraising auction that closes Thursday. Proceeds benefit the nonprofit Center for Photographic Art's many shows and programs.

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REGINA ELIZABETH WILLIAMS, 19180 Locarno Way, Salinas, CA 93906.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201723
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
1. ABOVE THE WAVE LIFE COACHING
2. ABOVE THE WAVE
19180 Locarno Way, Salinas, CA 93906.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
REGINA ELIZABETH WILLIAMS, 19180 Locarno Way, 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 N/A.
S/Regina Elizabeth Williams
Sept. 29, 2020
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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 29, 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: Oct. 2, 9, 16, 25, 2020. (PC1005)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201670
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
1. CARMEL COMPUTERS
2. CARMEL VALLEY COMPUTERS
17561 Cachagua Rd., Carmel Valley, CA 93924.
Mailing address: **137 E Carmel Valley Rd., Unit 3, Carmel Valley, CA 93924**.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
MICHAEL JOHN WECKER, 17561 Cachagua Rd., Carmel Valley, CA 93924.
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 1, 1999.
S/Michael John Wecker
Sept. 18, 2020
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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 18, 2020.
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Publication dates: Oct. 2, 9, 16, 25, 2020. (PC1005)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201753
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **COMPASS COUNSELING, Lincoln 2 NW of 7th St., Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921**.
Mailing address: P.O. Box 2426, Suite 100, Carmel, CA 93921.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
AMY SAUM SOMERS, 38060 Palo Colorado Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.
This business is conducted by an individual.

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: Oct. 2, 9, 16, 25, 2020. (PC1008)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201691
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
Solar Growth Labs, 217 Dunecrest Ave., Apt. 7, Monterey, CA 93940, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s):
LEADBOTZ, LLC, 217 Dunecrest Ave., Apt. 7, Monterey, CA 93940
This business is conducted by a limited liability company
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A
S/John Paul Montgomery, Managing Member
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 09/22/2020
10/9, 10/16, 10/23, 10/30/20
CNS-3399741#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Oct. 9, 16, 25, 30, 2020. (PC1009)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201746
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
Alpha Max Protection, 14620 Tumble Weed Lane, Royal Oaks CA 95076,
County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s):
Alpha Max Protection Inc., 14620 Tumble Weed Lane, Royal Oaks, CA 95076
This business is conducted by a Corporation
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A
S/Anthony Cotti, President
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 09/30/2020
10/16, 10/23, 10/30, 11/6/20
CNS-3401808#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Oct. 16, 23, 30, Nov. 6, 2020. (PC1011)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201753
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **COMPASS COUNSELING, Lincoln 2 NW of 7th St., Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921**.
Mailing address: P.O. Box 2426, Suite 100, Carmel, CA 93921.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
AMY SAUM SOMERS, 38060 Palo Colorado Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.
This business is conducted by an individual.

individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
S/Amy Saum Somers
Sept. 30, 2020
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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 30, 2020.
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Publication dates: Oct. 16, 23, 30, Nov. 6, 2020. (PC1013)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201726
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
Not For The Masses, 1979 Luxton St., Seaside, CA 93955, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s):
Jonathan P. Benavente, 4402 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90019
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable
S/ Jonathan P. Benavente
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on September 29, 2020
10/16, 10/23, 10/30, 11/6/20
CNS-3401638#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Oct. 16, 23, 30, Nov. 6, 2020. (PC1014)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201726
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
Not For The Masses, 1979 Luxton St., Seaside, CA 93955, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s):
Jonathan P. Benavente, 4402 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90019
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable
S/ Jonathan P. Benavente
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on September 29, 2020
10/16, 10/23, 10/30, 11/6/20
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CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Oct. 16, 23, 30, Nov. 6, 2020. (PC1014)

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MUSIC

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series, Cuban-American singer-songwriter and multi-instrumentalist **Yvette Gonzalez-Nacer** performs Friday and Saturday at Sunset Center. She'll be accompanied by a trio and play a 7 p.m. show each day.

The performing arts center received special permission from the county to put on the series.

"It is an uncommon opportunity indeed to provide our community with any live entertainment options at the moment, and it is even more rare that we would have the chance to book a performer like Yvette Gonzalez-Nacer," said Sunset Center's executive director, **Christine Sandin**.

"The recent darling of the eight-time Tony Award-winning musical 'Hadestown' will be gracing our small out-

door stage with her Cuban pop flair. Expect this talented trio to mesmerize with melodic covers interspersed between original pop songs with a decidedly Latin sway," Sandin added.

Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. Call (831) 620-2048 or visit sunsetcenter.org.

Rallying for restaurants

After raising \$5,000 for local restaurants with a live-streamed concert in August, a handful of local musicians will do it again Sunday at 6 p.m.

The lineup for Kindness Monterey's Care-A-Thon II includes singer-songwriters **Linda Arceo, Brad Wilson and Reija Massey, Kiki Wow and the Wowettes**, an acoustic duo, **Dan and Laurel**, and **The Latin Jazz Collective**.

For more details, visit kindnessmonterey.com or the Kindness Monterey channel on YouTube.com.

ART

From page 47A

"The Scott Nichols Gallery in Sonoma gave us a photograph **Ansel Adams** took at Yosemite. We also have a print of an image **Wynn Bullock** took of his daughter, Lynn, on the beach at Point Lobos."

The bidding for each image starts at \$80 because that's what you get when you multiply 8x10.

The closing times are staggered so bidders won't have to pin all their hopes on one piece, with the first lot ending Thursday at 10 a.m. Bidding on the last piece, by **Steve Zmak** (they're in alphabetical order), closes shortly before 2 p.m. that day.

For more details about the auction, visit photography.org.



Agnes Nyanhongo of Zimbabwe teaches her grandson the art of stone sculpture. Nyanhongo's latest work is part of new show opening this week at Gallery Sur.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF DONALD L. LUCAS

Case Number 20PR000395

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of DONALD L. LUCAS.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by SALLY S. LUCAS in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

The Petition for Probate requests that SALLY S. LUCAS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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

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

Date: Jan. 13, 2021
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Dept.: 13
Address: Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Agujito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

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

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

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

Attorney for Petitioner:
Gary S. Vandeweghe, Esq.
96 No. Third Street, Suite 500
San Jose, CA 95112
(408) 293-0463

This statement was filed by Superior Court of California, County of Monterey on Oct. 14, 2020.

Publication dates: Oct. 23, 30, Nov. 6, 2020. (PC1022)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201866

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **EL TROPICO, 711 Cannery Row Suite F, Monterey, California 93940.**
Mailing address: 171 Hawthorne St., Monterey, California 93940.

County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey County.
Name of Corporation of as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: CRUZ SOTO & ASSOCIATES LLC, 171 Hawthorne St., Monterey, California 93940.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 11/1/19. S/Alfredo Soto Hernandez, Managing Member
Date: Oct. 15, 2020

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

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 15, 2020.

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Publication dates: Oct. 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 2020. (PC1023)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20201812

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

Bayside Community Mortuary, 1610 Noche Buena Street, Seaside, CA 93955 County of MONTEREY

Registrant(s):
Keystone America, Inc., 1929 Allen Parkway, Houston, TX 77019
This business is conducted by a Corporation

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 3/26/2010.
Keystone America, Inc.
S/ Daniel Kleban, President
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 10/08/2020.

10/30, 11/6, 11/13, 11/20/20
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Publication dates: Oct. 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 2020. (PC1024)

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APN: 417-112-005-000 TS No: CA08000287-20-1 TO No: 200222929-CA-VOI **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE** (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED May 9, 2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On December 10, 2020 at 10:00 AM, outside the main entrance of the Monterey County Administration building located at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on May 21, 2007 as Instrument No. 2007040574, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Monterey County, California, executed by SALLY ANN GUIMBARDA AS TRUSTEE OF THE CHARLES AND SALLY GUIMBARDA LIVING TRUST, DATED MARCH 8, 2007, as Trustor(s), in favor of FINANCIAL FREEDOM SENIOR FUNDING CORPORATION, A SUBSIDIARY OF INDYMAC BANK, F.S.B. as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 32 ASOLEADO PLACE, CARMEL VALLEY, CA 93924. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$2,099,357.13 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code

and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Notice to Potential Bidders If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a Trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a Trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same Lender may hold more than one mortgage or Deed of Trust on the property. Notice to Property Owner The sale date shown on this Notice of Sale may be postponed one or more times by the Mortgagee, Beneficiary, Trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about Trustee Sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call In Source Logic at 702-659-7766 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Web site address listed below for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA08000287-20-1. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: 10/09/2020 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA08000287-20-1 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 866-660-4288 Dalaysia Ramirez, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ON LINE AT www.insourcelogic.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: In Source Logic AT 702-659-7766 Trustee Corps may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may

be used for that purpose. Order Number 72891, Pub Dates: 10/16/2020, 10/23/2020, 10/30/2020, CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Oct. 16, 23, 30, 2020. (PC1012)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201767
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
Team Mora, 288 Pearl 2nd Floor, Monterey, CA 93940, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s):
American Pacific Mortgage Corporation, 3000 Lava Ridge Ct., #200, Roseville, CA 95661; CA
This business is conducted by a Corporation.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A.
S/William Lowman, CEO
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 10/02/2020.
10/16, 10/23, 10/30, 11/6/20
CNS-3406800# CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Oct. 16, 23, 30, Nov. 6, 2020. (PC1015)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201761
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **TAYLORED TECHNOLOGY, 14401 Roland Canyon Rd., Salinas, CA 93908.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
TAYLOR MARCUS BROACH, 14401 Roland Canyon Rd., Salinas, CA 93908.
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 1, 2020.
S/Taylor Broach
Oct. 1, 2020
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 1, 2020.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business

Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: Oct. 16, 23, 30, Nov. 6, 2020. (PC1016)

File No. - 18-10433 APN - 007-701-005-000 **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE** YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER FOREST GROVE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC. (ASSOCIATION) COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS AND A NOTICE OF DELINQUENT ASSESSMENT (LIEN) DATED 07-10-2018. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 11-12-2020 at 10:00 AM, Outside the Main entrance of the Monterey County Administration building located at 168 West Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901, ALLIED TRUSTEE SERVICES, (Trustee) 990 Reserve Drive #208, Roseville, CA 95678, (877) 282-4991 under and pursuant to Lien, recorded 07-13-2018 as Instrument 2018030968 Book -- Page -- of Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of MONTEREY County, CA, WILL CAUSE TO BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check/cash equivalent or other form of payment authorized by 2924(h)(b), (payable at time of sale) the property owned by JAMES MACHADO, situated in said County, describing the land therein: A.P.N.: 007-701-005-000 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 802 BRENTWOOD DRIVE PACIFIC GROVE, CA 93950 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. File No. - 18-10433 Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the sums due under the Lien. The estimated total unpaid balance at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is \$43,390.28. THE PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD SUBJECT TO THE 90-DAY POST-SALE RIGHT OF REDEMPTION AS SET FORTH IN CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE SECTION 5715(B). Association heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default. The undersigned caused a Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale

date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the Association, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (844) 477-7869, or visit this Internet Web site WWW.STOX-POSTING.COM for information, using the file number assigned to this case: 18-10433. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. DATE: October 14, 2020 ALLIED TRUSTEE SERVICES, Trustee TANYA HALL, Authorized Signature
Publication dates: Oct. 23, 30, Nov. 6, 2020. (PC1017)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201860
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **GIRL WITHOUT A TRIPPOD, N. side Ocean Ave. 2 W. Dolores, Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921.**
Mailing address: **PO Box 1701, Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
TERESE HELEN CONWAY, N. side Ocean Ave. 2 W. Dolores, Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921.
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
S/Teres Helen Conway
Oct. 14, 2020
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 14, 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: Oct. 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 2020. (PC1018)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201793
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
Robert Lopez Catering, 192 Paddon Pl., Marina, CA 93933, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s):
Robert Lopez, 192 Paddon Pl., Marina, CA 93933
This business is conducted by a limited liability company
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A
S/ Robert Lopez
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on October 6, 2020
10/23, 10/30, 11/6, 11/13/20
CNS-3404381# CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Oct. 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 2020. (PC1019)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201837
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
Kay Jewelers #2211, 536 Northridge Mall, Space E04, Salinas, CA 93906, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s):
Sterling Jewelers, Inc., 375 Ghent Road, Akron, OH 44333
This business is conducted by a corporation
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 11/18/2005
S/ Vincent Ciccolini, Treasurer
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on October 12, 2020
10/23, 10/30, 11/6, 11/13/20
CNS-3405919# CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Oct. 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 2020. (PC1020)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201791
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
GRUPO RAFAEL DE LOS SANTOS, 242 MAIN ST # 1, SALINAS, CA 93901 County of MONTEREY
Registrant(s):
ROSINA JARAMILLO, 242 MAIN ST # 1, SALINAS, CA 93901
This business is conducted by an Individual
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 09/29/2020.
S/ ROSINA JARAMILLO,
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 10/06/2020.
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Publication dates: Oct. 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 2020. (PC1021)

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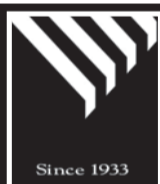
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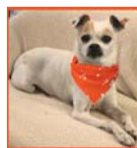
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Wassim Shwaiki to NWBR
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Carmel Public Library Foundation to Michelle Tutelian
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3680 Via Mar Monte — \$2,100,000

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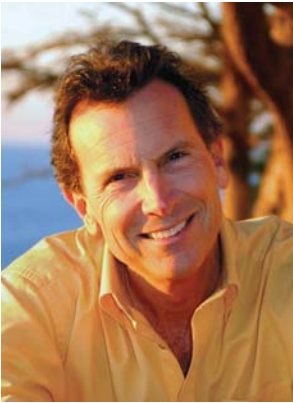
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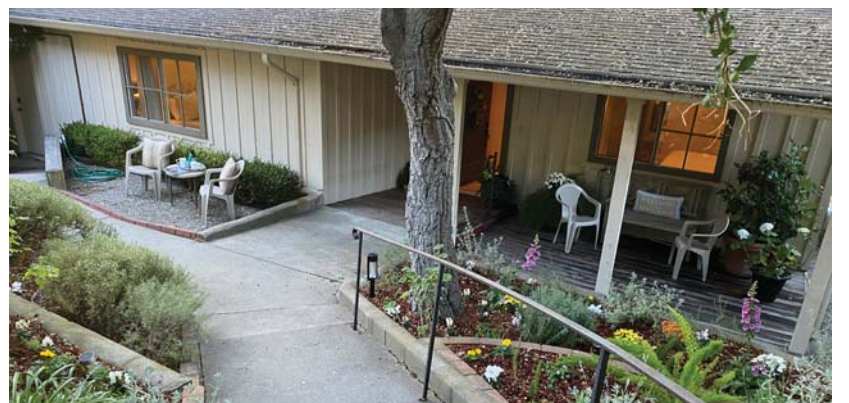
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MY FAVORITE time of the year. Less than two weeks before the November elections and I've sharpened my voting knife. This is the time of the year when the pols come groveling to us, pleading for our votes (and our money) so they can continue

living large off our blood, sweat and fears. Political customs — not to mention pabulum — were fed to me at a very tender age. My mother was a worker in one of Buffalo's portable green polling booths, which in the weeks leading up to an election were

set up on street corners by teamsters driving horses. This happened in almost all of the city's 462 election districts.

Turning the tables

By the 1940s, some horse-powered units were still in use, but mostly city trucks were hauling the green sheds around the city and dropping them off at the hundreds of predetermined intersections, often on the street, which caused a traffic hazard. The green-painted wooden booths were adorned with American flags and tin chimneys and had cast-iron stoves inside. On election day, I would sit quietly by the cast-iron stove while Mom checked the voters who were signing the registers.

The Truman-Dewey race in 1948 was the first presidential election in which I was aware of the implications for the future of the country. Since then, I've learned that all presidential elections are crucial, more so today, since there are such significant differences between our two major political parties.

We are chattel of the political elite most of the year, but during an election year, those same elites come kowtowing, hats

in hand, asking for more millions to spend currying our favor, buttering us up like we are fresh sourdough and making nice in hopes we will pay attention to them. This year, many of them sit at home, scared stiff and quivering like so much tofu at a chili cook-off.

Yet no matter how important presidential elections are, voter turnout hovers at around 60 percent. It is not hard to understand why so many people are turned off by the endless noise that has been going on

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By JERRY GERVASE

since last year. When one candidate says that down is up and his opponent says up is down, it only makes sense that one of them is playing fast and loose with the truth. Over the years, we've all learned that both sides are stretching the truth thinner than Twiggly on a low-carb diet. So how do we get more people to vote?

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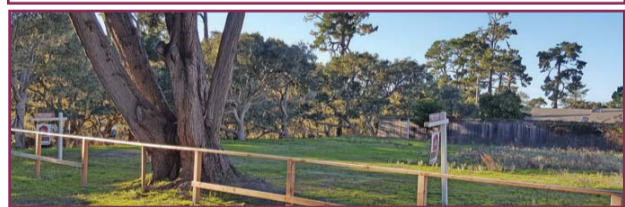
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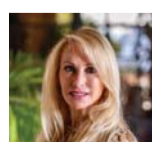
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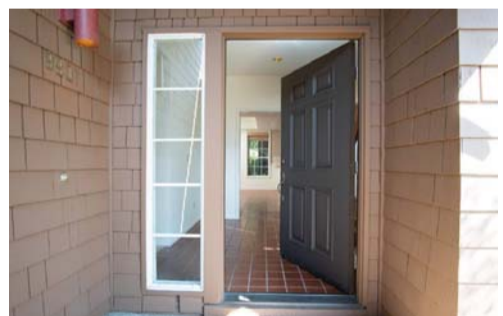
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Highway 68

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POLICE LOG

From page 4A

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 30-year-old male was contacted at Ocean and Junipero at 2101 hours during a search for a lost

dog and was cited for possession of drug paraphernalia and misappropriation of lost property.

Pacific Grove: A 71-year-old female subject refused to leave a business on Ocean View Boulevard. Cited and released.

Pebble Beach: Sheriff's office received a report of domestic violence from Los Gatos Police Department which occurred in Monterey County on 17 Mile Drive in 2019.

Carmel Valley: Elderly male with dementia walked away

from the family residence on Saddle Road. Located and returned.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Welfare check/vehicle check at Lincoln and Sixth at 0020 hours resulted in a 60-year-old male from Pebble Beach being arrested for being drunk in public and having false tabs on his vehicle.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 24-year-old male from Watsonville was arrested at Junipero and Fifth at 0356 hours for numerous charges, including possession of unlawful paraphernalia, a controlled substance and burglary tools, presenting false identification to officers and driving without a license.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle repossessed from Carmel Towing. Reference case number CG2000482, regarding a driver arrested for DUI and probation violation, and a 30-day hold placed on his vehicle.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officer at Monte Verde and Ocean observed a citizen with his dog off leash in the commercial area. Owner of dog was contacted, and a warning was given. Prior warning for same violation has been given.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of vandalism to private property at San Antonio and Fourth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Responded to a report of a loose parakeet at a residence on Monterey Street. Upon officer's arrival, the area was checked and no bird was found.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Pedestrian reported she might have been struck by a passing vehicle on Junipero. Vehicle stopped, and the driver and pedestrian mitigated the incident. Driver left before police arrival. Pedestrian reported no injury and refused medical evaluation on scene. Pedestrian wanted no documentation. There is no info for the driver or their vehicle.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Unattended cell phone found by the volleyball courts on Carmel Beach. The phone was brought to the station for safekeeping. The owner later came to the police department to retrieve his phone.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officer responded after report of a found parakeet captured by a resident on Fourth east of Carpenter. The bird was transported to the department and cared for until the bird was returned to a family member.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female reported losing her phone while at the beach.

Pacific Grove: A wallet was found on Ocean View Boulevard. Owner unable to be notified at current time, so item will be held for safekeeping. Update: owner came in to retrieve the wallet.

Pacific Grove: Traffic injury with complaint of pain on Central.

Carmel Valley: Vehicle burglary with suspect information on Rancho San Carlos Road.

Carmel area: Burglary on Highway 1.

Pebble Beach: Deputies responded to a family dispute on Laurel Lane.

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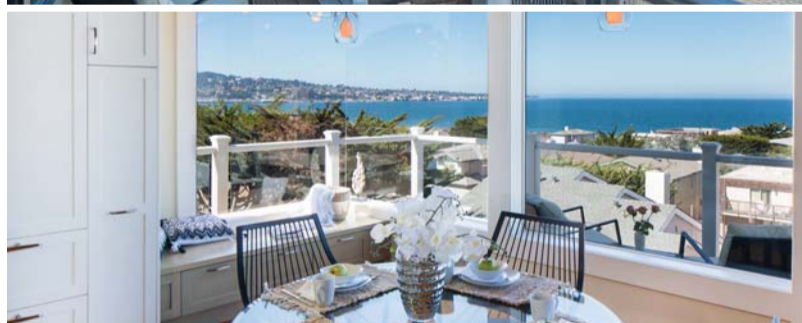
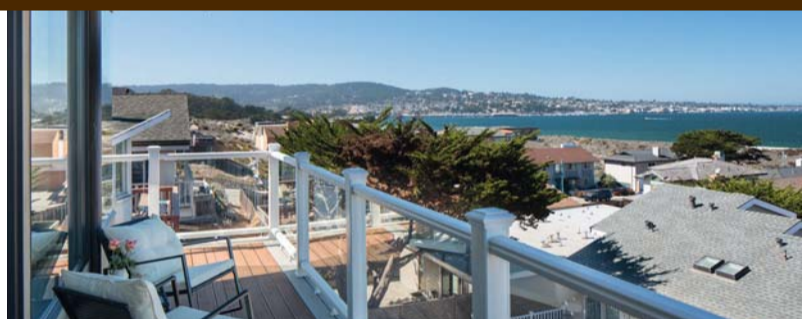
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master suite with its own private ocean view deck is set away from the other bedrooms. This three bedroom, two bath home with showroom like 2-car garage and attached office/exercise room is move in ready. Walk to town and beach.

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Represented Sellers ■ NWC Santa Fe & 1st ■ Multiple Offers Over LP ■ SP: \$1,950,000



Represented Buyers ■ 26080 Mesa Drive ■ SP: \$2,255,000

Rebecca, thank you so very much for all of your above-and-beyond efforts and hard work in selling our home on Santa Fe & 1st and also with our purchase of Mesa Drive in Carmel, especially during this pandemic. We were so thankful and grateful to have you once again representing us! Many thanks!

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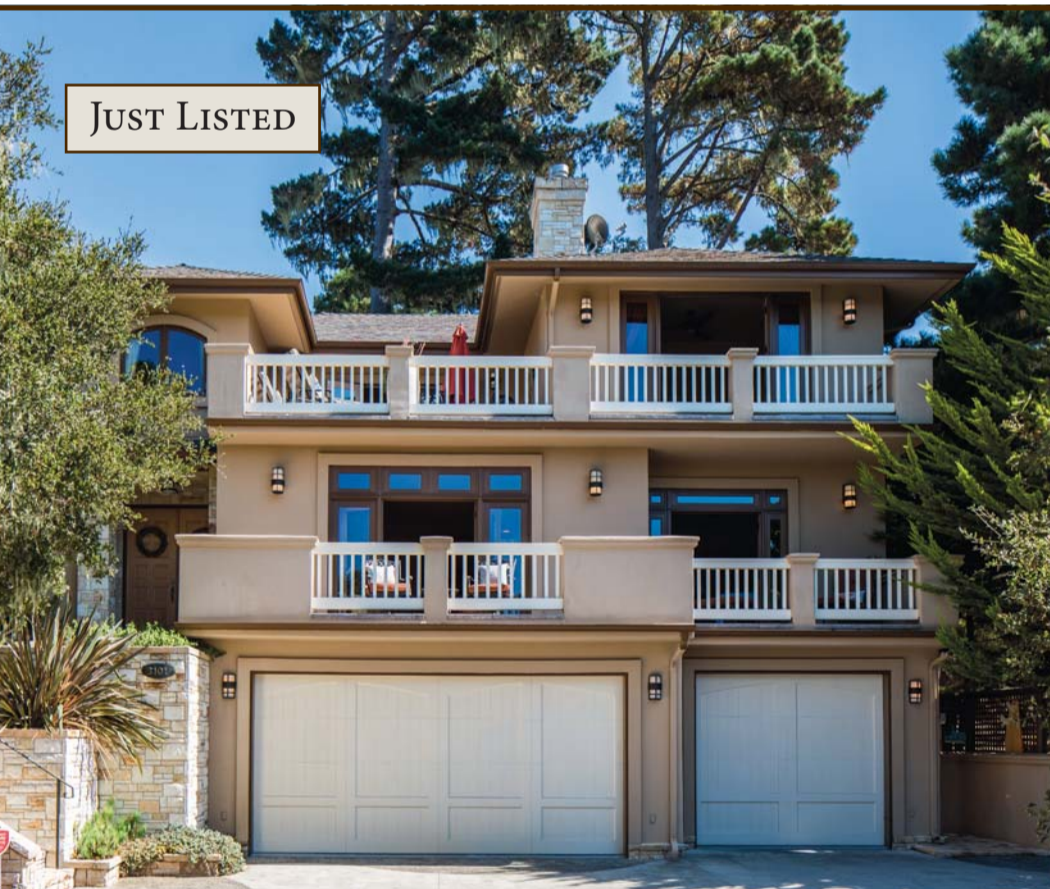


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SALES

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Highway 68 (con't.)

410 Mirador Court — \$1,750,000
Paul and Patricia Cluck to BJA Enterprises
APN: 173-073-014

Marina

136 Seal Court — \$675,000
Wayne Meyer to Kevin Allaire
APN: 033-076-089

3192 Tallmon Street — \$727,500
Travis Cochran to Kenneth Leung
APN: 032-444-004

588 Rosa Monte Way — \$770,000
Steven Rice to Jay Johnson
APN: 031-274-007

3010 Lighthouse Lane — \$840,000
Robert Keller to Michael Webb
APN: 031-252-041

Dunes Court — \$28,500,000
Happy Homes Marina Dunes LLC to
MHC Marina Dunes LP
APN: 033-041-011 and three others

Monterey

898 David Avenue — \$730,000
Roger Ford to Rajas Shirsat
APN: 001-121-004

898 Drake Avenue — \$748,500
Antonio DiGirolamo to Dylan Whitner
APN: 001-113-015

665 Parcel Street — \$750,000
Paula Higgins to Timothy Doorey
APN: 001-166-004

832 Hellam Street — \$760,000
Marilyn Harter to Martin Locke
APN: 001-372-015

967 Roosevelt Street — \$872,000
Caureen Hanssen to Kirsten Nysten
APN: 001-343-004

856 Lily Street — \$935,000
Jeffrey Wells to Giordano Rock
APN: 001-135-002

621 Toyon Drive — \$1,190,500
Price Edwards to Casey Miller
APN: 014-014-004

536 Van Buren Street — \$1,400,000
Annette Cutino to Christopher Dinner
APN: 001-521-018

17 Via del Pinar — \$1,525,000
John Hill to Dave Abramson
APN: 001-294-011



3420 Red Wolf Drive, Carmel Highlands — \$3,500,000



101 Lower Walden Road, Carmel Highlands — \$4,250,000

Pacific Grove

1220 Shafter Avenue — \$930,000
Dustin and Ashley Moranda to Mary Sima and
Adam Vollrath
APN: 007-562-024

1108 Austin Avenue — \$1,155,000
Frederick Hamilton to Shelton and Carol Virden
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157 15th Street — \$1,325,000
Cox Holding Co. to Paul and Katherine Kye
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418 Grove Acre Avenue — \$1,425,000
Yoko Whitaker to Kenneth and Lisa Staton
APN: 006-421-029

Pebble Beach

17 Ocean Pines Lane — \$640,000
John Jeltema to Robert Murphy
APN: 008-582-015

4060 Crest Road — \$1,199,000
Jauhtai Cheng and Nina Yi to Craig and Destiny Rossi
APN: 008-091-028

3032 Valdez Road — \$1,325,000
Joseph Longo to Monique Miron
APN: 007-302-004

3033 Bird Road Road — \$1,485,000

GERVASE

From page 6RE

having voted more times than the people in Chicago graveyards. I remember sitting on my front porch as a 16-year-old, listening to the political conventions on a portable radio. It was my introduction to how people can speak for so long without saying anything.

Not long ago, a state representative suggested a good way to counteract voter apathy would be to lower the voting age to 14. Doesn't it take two hands to vote? How are 14-year-olds going to vote and text at the same time? The representative believed young people should have a voice in education issues. That's like saying puppies should have a voice in obedience school.

Give 14-year-olds the vote? Shoot! They should impose a leash law on them.

Germany lowered the voting age to 17 with great success. However, I think they vote there during Oktoberfest. Combine voting day with Woodstock and you'd get a heck

Laurene Piercy to Janet Gerst
APN: 007-471-007

1011 Rodeo Road — \$4,650,000
Michael and Angela de la Rosa to Kyriakos Tsakopolous
APN: 007-313-003

1560 Viscaino Road — \$4,700,000
Lisa Lee to Lance and Kathryn Varellas
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1675 Crespi Lane — \$9,250,000
Donald and Cecily Butts to Crespi LLC
APN: 008-371-015

Seaside

2090 Mendocino Street — \$655,000
Luis Ventura to Mariia Jackson
APN: 011-052-001

1293 Kimball Avenue — \$720,000
John Calzada to Paula Tawber
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911 Hilby Avenue — \$1,950,000
William Khieu to RJV Investments LLC
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of a turned-on turnout.

Perhaps there is no way to combat voter apathy. I guess one of the privileges of living in a free country is the freedom not to participate in the way we are governed.

On its way

My vote has already been cast. No October surprises are going to make me change my mind. How did I vote? I'm not going to tell you. It is still a secret ballot. I will tell you how I play the voting game when it comes to national elections. I cast my ballot for my team: The United States of America. The Stars and Stripes are my team colors. The National Anthem is my fight song, the Statue of Liberty my team mascot, the Pledge of Allegiance is my rallying call and the Constitution is the referee I defer to whenever someone tries to cheat or change the rules.

Cicero said, "There are no lasting victories in politics, there is only the remorseless grinding forward of events." We can tweak those events by voting. So, get in the game. Pin the tail on the donkey. Be the mouse that roared and scared the pants off the elephant. Show 'em who's boss.

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