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## Hospitality groups trying to get outdoor dining rules relaxed

By MARY SCHLEY

LEADERS in the hospitality industry are working to convince county and state officials to relax the ban on outdoor dining, arguing that most of the spread of coronavirus happens in people's homes and at large gatherings, not while sitting outside in a parklet enjoying a cheeseburger and fries.

"When you had tables in parklets, you had distancing and sanitizing, and everything was monitored," Janine Chicourrat, the new chair of the Monterey County Hospitality Association and wife of Mayor Dave Potter, told The Pine Cone this week. "Now you have people eating their takeout on curbs, off their cars, off garbage cans" — basically any outdoor surface they can find.

"It's ridiculous," she said.

At last week's Monterey County Board of Supervisors meeting, Chicourrat asked the supervisors to at least support "outdoor picnicking," allowing restaurant owners to set up tables and chairs in their parklets for customers to use while eating their takeout, without any table service.

She pointed to a recent study in New York that examined contact tracing and found that nearly three-quarters of coronavirus cases were transmitted in households and

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## Confusion over vaccinations deepens

■ Governor says one thing, county health department says another

By KELLY NIX

A MONTH after the effort began to inoculate everyone in Monterey County against the coronavirus, which has infected more than 30,000 here, with 248 deaths, few-



A lone car utilizes a drive-through vaccination clinic in operation at Cal State Monterey Bay. A Pine Cone photographer was denied access to the clinic, but CSUMB released this picture, which doesn't exactly show an ambitious vaccination effort underway.

er than half the 24,150 vaccine doses received since that time have been administered, county health officer Dr. Ed Moreno said this week.

In an effort to speed up the vaccination rate, the county health department said Thursday that a much bigger group of healthcare workers and others likely to be exposed to the virus at work is eligible to get vaccinated, and a clinic in a CSUMB parking lot was in operation to provide the shots.

Meanwhile, Gov. Gavin Newsom, also trying to boost California's lagging rate of vaccinations — just 31 percent of the doses in the state have been administered — surprised everybody by suddenly announcing Wednesday that people 65 and older were eligible to be inoculated. But Newsom provided no details about when and where they could get jabbed, and several hours later, Monterey County issued a statement saying the 65-plus group was not yet eligible here.

'1,000 people per day'

Adding to the rampant confusion was the uncertainty about how many shots have been given in Monterey County.

In a briefing with reporters Wednesday, Moreno said he had no way of knowing for certain how many shots have been administered, but it was "probably at least 11,000" — an estimate based on data from a state vaccination website, according to Moreno.

Besides using state data, which Moreno said seemed to be underestimating the true number of vaccinations carried out in the county, the other method of determining how many shots have been administered is figuring how many doses remain of the total received — something he said Wednesday his office has not done yet.

"Right now, we are looking to trying to get information from the hospitals and the clinics," he said, without indicating when his office might do that.

But at the current rate of vaccine administration — fewer than 3,000 shots a week — it would take almost three years to immunize everyone in Monterey County, which has a population of roughly 450,000. Moreno didn't acknowledge the slow-going vaccine results in the county, and instead credited the effort.

"We are making, I believe, reasonable progress through the first tier," he told the supervisors on Tuesday.

According to a Bloomberg vaccine tracker, California has administered 2.26 doses per 100 people.

Moreno told the supervisors that in addition to requiring more vaccine and staff to immunize people in the second group — Phase 1b — Monterey County would

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## Visiting nurse faces coronavirus' harsh reality

By CHRIS COUNTS

A YOUNG woman from New Hampshire may be staying at a house on Torres Street, but don't get the idea she's on vacation. Instead, on most days, Meghan Fitzpatrick is busy battling the coronavirus on the front line at Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital.

And sometimes, the front line is where very difficult news has to be delivered.

"Last week, I was looking after a sweet old man," Fitzpatrick told The Pine Cone. "He was so kind and appreciative and alert. I had to be the one who had to tell him he's probably not going to make it."

The man passed a short time later, becoming another sad statistic to society and leaving Fitzpatrick rattled.

"I can't believe I was conversing with this person," said Fitzpatrick, who came here in August after learning about

a critical need for nurses in Salinas. "He was holding my hand, and he died. I go home, deal with my emotions, and come back and do it again. Last night, another patient did the same thing."

The nurse said the last few weeks have been particularly "intense and disheartening."

"Because Covid has been around for a year, I feel like a lot of people have settled into people dying, but we're still facing it every day," she said. "I have found myself hiding in the patient's bathroom and holding back the tears because I'm so sad for them and their family, and their family can't be there for them."

'I love my job'

For Fitzpatrick and her fellow nurses, the hours battling the pandemic can be exhausting, not only physically, but emotionally. She said some of her colleagues do online therapy and use meditation apps to help counter the stress,

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## COMMISSION CHASTISES OPPONENTS OF ADA RAMPS

■ PacRep gets OK for theater upgrades

By MARY SCHLEY

A GROUP of residents who object to the installation of handicap-access ramps and air conditioners at the Golden Bough theater were shut down by the planning commission this week, as some commissioners took umbrage at their ongoing opposition to a theater that's been in the neighborhood longer than they have been alive.

The commission voted unanimously Wednesday night to OK Pacific Repertory Theatre's application to make the ADA and HVAC improvements, despite an appeal from the neighbors and their attorney, Alex Lorca.

PacRep, which owns the Golden Bough, submitted plans last May for exit ramps on the north and south sides, walkway and planter improvements, and the addition of more air conditioners — work which, under the city code, is considered so minor it would normally be approved after a simple review by the planning and building department, but the neighbors' objections triggered a full planning commission hearing.

Years of friction

The Golden Bough is surrounded by homes, and some of the people who live in them have complained for years about noise, parking and other issues related to the pro-

ductions at the theater, which PacRep has occupied for the last quarter-century. Lorca and his clients, Patrick and Paige Healy, and their neighbors argued that constructing ramps and a set of stairs, and adding air-conditioning

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## AT&T Pro-Am to be played with no celebs

By MARY SCHLEY

FIRST, THE coronavirus pandemic drove organizers of the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am to ban spectators. Now, the celebrities and amateurs set to compete alongside the pros will have to stay home, too.

"Due to local Covid-19 circumstances in the Monterey Peninsula," tournament officials announced Thursday, the Feb. 8-14 tournament will only feature 156 professional players and will only be held at the Pebble Beach Golf Links and Spyglass Hill.

Played in Del Monte Forest for three-quarters of a century, the tournament typically features PGA Tour pros,

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Nurse Meghan Fitzpatrick works with Covid-19 patients at Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital. She shared details about the sad reality she faces each day.

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# Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

## Happy Spaniel

TANNER CAN'T see. But he seems to have a clear vision of how to live a happy life.

Nine years ago, the buff-colored cocker spaniel came into the world with healthy eyes and a happy attitude. And, by all appearances, Tanner grew up loved. But he developed glaucoma, and since his person was elderly, the disease went unaddressed.

Once the disease had advanced, and the little dog was in considerable pain, his person decided to put him out of his misery and have him euthanized.

Except the veterinarian wouldn't do it. The dog was, otherwise, in ideal health. After convincing the woman to surrender Tanner to him, the vet surgically removed the dog's diseased eyes, sewed him up, and delivered him to Muttville, a rescue organization for senior dogs in San Francisco.

Tanner's new people, who have had six rescued cockers over the years, adopted Tanner the day after he made it to Muttville.

"We got a text about Tanner, and high-tailed it over to Muttville the next day, as soon as they opened," his person said. "I just muscled my way to the front of the line and grabbed him."



For 30 years, Tanner's people, who live in El Cerro, have been coming to Carmel, where they typically stay a week, and always at Coachman's Inn. Rarely have they come to town without a cocker spaniel.

The first time they took Tanner to Carmel Beach, he was a little tentative, unsure of himself, but he got the sense of it. He would venture out a few steps and then return to lean into his person.

"Tanner's the happiest cocker I've ever seen," his person said. "He seems so glad to be around people, always licking and sniffing. He sees with his other senses. When we walk into the room, he lifts his nose into the air to get a sense of who's there."

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# Businesses line up for more PPP

By MARY SCHLEY

**L**ENDERS ARE already collecting applications from businesses interested in applying for low-interest loans — most of which will never have to be repaid — through the federal government and will submit them as soon as allowed, according to Monterey County Bank President and CEO Charles Chrietzberg.

Small financial institutions with assets under \$1 billion, such as his bank, can begin submitting Paycheck Protection Program applications at 9 a.m. Jan. 15, while larger institutions like Chase and Wells Fargo can send theirs in starting Jan. 19, Chrietzberg said Thursday.

“The borrower should contact their lending institution and ask for a copy of the application so they can fill it out,” he said.

The new PPP loans promised in the relief act approved by Congress and signed by the president late last year are similar to the first set issued in the spring and summer as part of the CARES Act, but a few more restrictions are being imposed, mostly to try to avoid the fraud that proliferated during the first round.

Only businesses that received PPP loans during the first draw can apply for another — and that’s only if they’ve used up their first allotment or will do so shortly — according to rules released by the Small Business Administration.

### Must show losses

Candidate businesses are also capped at 300 employees, while borrowers in the first round could have up to 500, and they must show quarterly losses of at least 25 percent between 2019 and 2020.

One example would be The Pine Cone, which had a 49 percent decline in revenue during the second quarter of 2020, versus the second quarter of 2019.

“When the economy ground to a halt, so did a lot of our advertising,” said publisher Paul Miller. “But at least we were able to

stay in business.”

“They’re going to be diligent about checking for fraud, based on the amount of fraud uncovered in the last one,” Chrietzberg said, so anybody who can’t document revenue losses of at least 25 percent shouldn’t apply. “This is for the businesses that are affected the most. They don’t want anyone else taking advantage of it.”

Several types of businesses can’t apply, including lobbyists, companies incorporated in China, publicly traded companies, and those in which the president, vice president, heads of executive offices, members of Congress, or any of their spouses have more than 20 percent interest.

Owners of permanently shuttered businesses can’t borrow money, either, because, the SBA said, “only businesses that are still in operation will retain employees, which is a primary purpose of the PPP.”

The terms are simple: The government guarantees the full loan amount, the interest rate is 1 percent, and the maturity is five years. And in most cases, the loans will be forgiven, so the business owner will never have to repay the taxpayers.

Filling out the application takes about three or four hours, according to Chrietzberg, with loans under \$150,000 requiring a bit less effort. The deadline is March 31.

Chrietzberg said he and his staff have so far been in touch with about 100 borrowers who obtained PPP loans through Monterey County Bank during the first round and want to apply for a second, while some of the 200 borrowers his bank served during the first round have already said they won’t be asking for more money.

“We have several customers who got money in the first round that have said they won’t apply again, even though they might qualify, because they’re not doing that badly,” he said.

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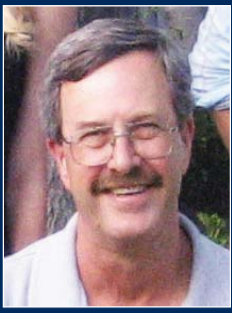
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# Police & Sheriff's Log

## Don't worry, the lion was just walking

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.

Road. Information only.

**Carmel Valley:** Deputies responded to report of an assault with a deadly weapon on Berkwick Drive.

**Pacific Grove:** Person on Valdez Road reported a possible theft.

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 28

**Pacific Grove:** Theft of two antique purses on consignment at a Forest Avenue store.

**Pacific Grove:** Grand theft occurred on Ocean View Boulevard involving 100 items of exercise equipment.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A hit-and-run occurred possibly within the city limits. A counter report was taken for insurance purposes.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vehicle towed from Junipero Street for expired registration.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of damage to a city tree on Guadalupe. City forester issued a warning to the responsible party. Information only.

**Pacific Grove:** Theft of grocery items occurred on Forest Avenue. Security footage reviewed the day after the incident.

**Carmel Valley:** Report of extortion and criminal threats on El Caminito involving a male suspect and one male and two female victims.

**Carmel Valley:** Deputies responded to a report of a medical emergency on Schulte

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Underage male, age 19, was cited at 0210 hours on Carpenter Street for driving with alcohol in his system.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Fish tank water spilled into the sewer on Sixth Avenue.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Sewage spill from a residence on Santa Fe into the public right of way.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Verbal dispute between a bicyclist and a driver on San Antonio Avenue.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Ear bud case lost.

**Pacific Grove:** Subject contacted on Ocean View Boulevard at 0052 hours for public intoxication was released to a responsible party.

**Pacific Grove:** Indecent exposure on Sunset Drive. Male parked on the street in front of PGHS.

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## The gavel falls

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

**Dec. 8** — Noah Boewer, 49, was found guilty by a Monterey County jury of felony assault with force likely to produce great bodily injury. A special allegation that Boewer personally inflicted great bodily injury on the victim was found true. The jury also found Tricia Boewer, 38, guilty of battery on the victim.

On July 6, 2018, Noah and Tricia Boewer went to the Monterey Lanes bowling alley to go bowling. The victim was also at the Monterey Lanes bowling alley that day to pick up registration forms for a charity fundraiser event. The Boewers were standing outside by the front door as the victim left the bowling alley. The victim attempted to walk past the Boewers and said, "Excuse me." Tricia Boewer proceeded to confront the victim yelling racial slurs. Noah Boewer threw a punch at the victim, who was able to block the blow. Tricia Boewer jumped on the victim's back and Noah Boewer punched the victim on the left side of his face. This unprovoked punch caused seven fractures to the left side of the victim's face, to include a broken jaw.

Noah Boewer faces a maximum of seven years in prison. Tricia Boewer faces a maximum of six months in jail.

**Dec. 16** — Esteban Ortiz entered pleas of no contest to felony animal cruelty and allowing use of property for cockfighting.

On April 4, 2020, an anonymous source

called 911 to complain about the excessive vehicle and foot traffic and loud noise caused by people and roosters coming from 341 Harrison Road. When Monterey sheriff's deputies arrived, they could hear roosters crowing in a shed area to the rear of the property.

Upon entry through a barricaded door, they observed persons jumping over fences and off the roof. Left behind at the scene was a cock-fighting pit, 112 live roosters, 4 severely injured roosters, 7 dead roosters, 61 blades or gaffs which are attached to fighting rooster's legs, an unregistered semiautomatic handgun, and methamphetamine.

Ortiz, the owner of the property, was arrested for cruelty to animals, cockfighting violations, and violation of the shelter in place order. Two others were arrested for being spectators at a cockfight, possession of methamphetamine and violation of the shelter in place order. One of the arrestees told officers that at least 100 spectators were present before deputies arrived.

Judge Rafael Vazquez will preside over a sentencing hearing set for Feb. 4, 2021 where Ortiz will be placed on two years of felony probation, serve up to 90 days in jail, pay \$1,553.20 restitution to the SPCA, agree to random property checks by the SPCA, and complete an animal abuse counseling course.

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# Highway 101 Projectile Guy waives hearing — trial or guilty plea next

By MARY SCHLEY

CHARLES LAFFERTY — the man arrested a year ago for allegedly terrorizing drivers on highways in the Prunedale area for 11 months by shattering car windows with glass marbles flung from a slingshot — appeared in a Salinas courtroom last week to waive his right to a preliminary hearing, which means his case will now move to a plea deal or to trial, according to Monterey County deputy district attorney Matt L'Heureux.

At a preliminary hearing, prosecutors lay out the evidence they have against the suspect, including calling law enforcement officers to testify, and the judge decides whether there's sufficient cause to proceed with the case. In general, a defendant might waive the hearing if he knows there's a lot of strong evidence against him — and that no good can come from making it public in court — though L'Heureux said there are "plenty of reasons" why someone would choose to waive the hearing.

Lafferty, who remains in Monterey County Jail on \$517,000 bail, has been charged with 58 counts of assault with a deadly weapon, two counts of child abuse, and two counts of assault with a deadly weapon on a police officer. The child-abuse charges stem from Lafferty's "projectiles" hitting cars carrying kids.

As for the charges involving the officers, L'Heureux said, "I can't say exactly what it was, because it hasn't come out in court yet, but it's a similar type of conduct."

### Investigation finally done

Lafferty was tracked down in Nipomo, arrested and booked into Monterey County Jail Jan. 22, 2020, after a task force of five California Highway Patrol officers and a Monterey County Sheriff's deputy got a break in the case. They spotted a GMC Sonoma pickup near the scene of the most recent incident, which had occurred a couple of weeks earlier. Their investigation and surveillance led them to Lafferty, who was dividing his time between Monterey and San Luis Obispo counties.

He was officially charged Jan. 27, 2020, with 79 felonies connected to the 69 attacks that occurred on Highway 101 and Highway 156 between February 2019 and early January 2020, including the projectile that hit a Carmel High School bus carrying varsity football players to a

game in San Jose in November 2019. Out of all the attacks, four adults and one child suffered minor injuries, according to the CHP.

Those charges have since been winnowed down to the 62 L'Heureux described this week, and now that Lafferty has foregone his preliminary hearing, he is set to appear in court again Jan. 19 to reiterate his not-guilty pleas to the charges, a procedural requirement.

Then, the prosecutor said, "The next step is either resolution or trial."

One of the reasons it's taken so long to get to this point is the volume of information and data the investigation of such a complicated case involving so many attacks required. The DA's office had to compile everything and turn it over to the defense, which needed time to review it. Lafferty is being represented by Salinas attorney Jan Lindberg.

"We have provided everything that I think would come up," L'Heureux said. "The main part of the investigation is done."



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## Felon arrested for forgery, other crimes

■ Was renting vacation home  
in the Highlands with girlfriend

By MARY SCHLEY

A CONVICTED felon wanted in multiple counties was arrested on Highway 1 by a Monterey County Sheriff's deputy last week. The man, Eduardo David, and his girlfriend, Anna Borup, were taken into custody after the deputy connected them to mail theft in Pebble Beach, according to sheriff's Cmdr. Derrel Simpson.

The 37-year-old man and 33-year-old woman are homeless but had been staying in a vacation rental on Cypress Way in the Carmel Highlands for more than a month.

The case started with a Pebble Beach resident's Jan. 4 report that three checks he'd put in the mail had been stolen, and their amounts and recipients changed. "The check he wrote to his landscaper was altered from \$180 to \$780, and the name was to someone different," Simpson said. Same with the Christmas bonus check for the landscaper — \$150 to \$750 — and the Cal Am check, which was altered from \$124.08 to \$724.08. All three were changed to be made out to Eduardo Jose David. Wells Fargo closed the account, reimbursed the victim and opened a new account.

The trail might have ended there, but David used his real name and even put

his driver's license number on one of the checks he cashed, according to Simpson. Deputy Oscar Leon searched for David in a sheriff's office database and found he was involved in a domestic dispute with a woman named Anna Borup at a Cypress Way house last November.

David is also a bit hard to miss, given the distinctive tattoos on his neck. Leon was driving on Highway 1 near Morse Drive Jan. 4 when he noticed a U-Haul driven by a guy who "looked familiar," Simpson said.

### Knew who they were

Leon followed the truck into the parking lot at Carmel High School, where it stopped, and David and Borup got out and started walking toward the school grounds. The campus is closed, and the deputy called after them, according to Simpson, at which point they turned back to talk to him.

"They didn't know he was aware of the mail thefts, but at that point, the deputy knew who they were," Simpson said.

It turned out David had quite a few outstanding warrants in Santa Clara, Alameda and San Mateo counties, including multiple felonies involving firearms, burglary, grand theft, attempted murder and identity theft, as well as various drug charges, multiple counts of misappropriating found property, and failure to appear in court.

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# Police arrest one in Foxy Couture robbery, still hunting for others

By MARY SCHLEY

THE FOUR women and man who robbed a downtown consignment shop last month are probably part of a ring committing large-scale retail crime across the state, Carmel Police Sgt. Jeff Watkins said Thursday, and CPD has been working with a San Francisco P.D. task force to find them. The group stole items from Foxy Couture the afternoon of Dec. 17, 2020, and fled after being confronted by employees who ended up grappling with them.

On Jan. 8, task force members arrested the 19-year-old driver of the getaway car, Denayaha Duree, in San Francisco, and detective Jacob Clifford drove to the city to pick her up and take her to Monterey County Jail, according to Watkins.

Carmel P.D. officers had identified her through surveillance images of the car captured by the city's traffic cameras and were able to impound the silver BMW after a California Highway Patrol officer pulled

the driver over in S.F. a few days after the robbery.

When Duree showed up to try to get the car back, police arrested her. "They talked her into coming in to get her car and then locked her in and arrested her," he said.

### 'In the wind'

Clifford had her booked into jail on charges of robbery, burglary and grand theft, with a bail of \$225,000, but she was able to post bond and was released.

"She bailed out and is in the wind," he said.

Police have also identified the other suspects but haven't been able to bring them in, yet, and the investigation is ongoing.

"There are still avenues the detective is trying to go down, with the help of San Francisco's task force," Watkins said, adding that the culprits are part of a network of people committing retail crimes, which is the focus of the SFPD task force. "It's very large."

# Seaside politician penalized for campaign violations

By KELLY NIX

A FORMER Seaside city councilwoman and unsuccessful mayoral candidate should pay more than \$5,000 in penalties for violating state law that regulates campaign financing, according to the California Fair Political Practices Commission's enforcement division.

Kayla Jones and her then campaign treasurer, Ryan Gibson, operated the Kayla Jones for Seaside City Council 2016 committee. The FPPC alleges they violated the Political Reform Act by failing to open a

separate committee and bank account for Jones' 2018 mayoral campaign.

"The Political Reform Act requires candidates for elective local office to open separate controlled committees and separate campaign bank accounts for each elective office," according to the FPPC in a stipulation, decision and order. "By failing to do so, Jones and Gibson caused public harm because this violation leads to difficulties in auditing and substantiating campaign reporting."

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# PGPD Officer who made anti-BLM posts fired, may sue over 'free speech'

By KELLY NIX

THE PACIFIC Grove police officer who criticized the Black Lives Matter political group on a social media site was fired this week, but he's considering filing a lawsuit against the city over alleged violations of his First Amendment right to free speech.

Pacific Grove Police Chief Cathy Madalone said in a statement Wednesday afternoon that the officer — Michael Gonzalez — was “no longer employed by the City of Pacific Grove in any capacity.”

“Unfortunately, I am unable to disclose or comment any further due to legal constraints,” Madalone said. “I understand you would like to have more details, and I would like to provide them to you, but based on the law, I am prohibited from commenting any further on this personnel matter.”

In early December, Madalone placed Gonzalez, an Hispanic man, on paid leave after he called Black Lives Matter a “hate group” and posted an image with an expletive before the group's name on the conservative website, Parler. The posts were intended to criticize the left-wing political

organization for its calls to defund police, and not disparage Black people, Gonzalez has said.

In response to his termination, Gonzalez's wife, Vallerie, started an effort on website GiveSendGo to raise funds for “various needs,” including covering the costs of a possible “lengthy lawsuit and fight against” Pacific Grove and its police department over the issue.

Gonzalez — who says he was raised by a Black man for part of his life — alleges he was unlawfully terminated for his political beliefs.

## 'No hate'

“How is it that Pacific Grove Police Department claims that it protects freedom of expression and exchange of ideas of all races, but yet discriminates against Officer Gonzalez for having different views?” the page says. “The expression of controversial ideas and differing political views is a vital part of America.”

Vallerie Gonzalez accuses Madalone and city councilwoman Jenny McAdams “and her followers” for attacking Gonzalez for his “political beliefs and constitutional rights,” which “signaled to police nation-

wide, that free speech is a political trap that will destroy you.”

The fundraising page says Gonzalez's comments about the Black Lives Matter group were “fully within the boundaries of the law,” and were not “threatening or hateful,” and it accuses Madalone of “expressing her personal views” about the matter to the press before a third-party investigation was completed.

“Officer Gonzalez's livelihood,” including his income, healthcare needs and abili-

ty to care for his family, have “been ripped from him,” the fundraising website says.

Before the Black Lives Matter posts, McAdams had previously criticized Gonzalez for stickers he put on his personal vehicle, including one for an anti-government group she and some others believed was racist.

After being on leave for several months, the department concluded Gonzalez did not violate any city or police policy, and the case was closed.

## LETTERS

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rageous attempt by wealthy to have their own, private, oceanfront property, shutting everyone out, using any implausible reason.

Shame on Monterey County and the vaccine fiasco so far. Go ahead. Try by any means to find out even where and vaccines will be given. Let alone when. Good luck!

Shame on the state for shutting outdoor dining. Research shows only about 1.5 percent of cases may be traceable to outdoor dining. You cannot even get a fast-food burger and eat at one of the outdoor tables.

Bravo to Carmel Police for enforcing laws. Almost everyone in town is wearing a mask. And we see a lot of patrol cars on the streets.

Bravo to The Pine Cone for being literally the only actual local news source. The bulletins are fantastic. KION and KSBW online are almost useless.

Bravo to everyone for not taking sides in the “Tuck Box versus MoCo” feud. Each side can be well supported. Every argument is valid. Where's Solomon when you need him?

Jon Levy, Carmel

## Hidden costs of no house numbers

Dear Editor,

Carmel continues to cope with the problems of house addresses and mail de-

livery. What do you expect when we rely on a 20th-century system in a 21st century world? Since the problems are mainly self-imposed, we should be able to solve them with our collective wisdom. Though related, addresses and mail delivery can be dealt with separately.

Take house addresses. I would love to be paid the minimum wage for the hours I've spent trying to deal with Carmel's weird physical street addresses. Few existing computer systems can accept our addresses. It may be possible to find a workaround, but not infrequently someone needing the location of our home insists on a conventional address. In a number of cases, I simply could not take a delivery or satisfy a formal legal address requirement. If we assign a conventional street address to everyone, without necessarily linking them to mail delivery, we could at least mitigate some problems with our present system.

As for our mail delivery, it would be hard to find a more dysfunctional process. Having each household responsible for its own post office collection adds greatly to auto traffic, energy consumption, and pollution. The high aggregate cost is far greater than an efficient central delivery system would be. It's only tolerated because the cost is borne individually by what amounts to a hidden tax. In order to more widely exploit this concept, I have a modest proposal: simply hide the high cost of municipal services by requiring each household to individually manage and bear the cost of its police and fire protection.

James Emery, Carmel



Former Pacific Grove Police officer Michael Gonzalez was fired this week over posts he made criticizing the Black Lives Matter organization. He may sue over the “unlawful termination.”

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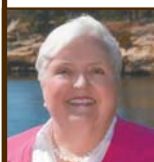
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# Judge gives 391-to-life sentence to ‘monster’

By MARY SCHLEY

A SERIAL child molester convicted multiple times for egregious sexual abuse of young children was sentenced to 391 years to life — the maximum allowed — by Monterey County Superior Court Judge Andrew Liu Jan. 8. In his latest case, a jury last November convicted Eric David Bloomer, 52, of nearly a dozen felonies stemming from his repeated molestation of his ex-girlfriend’s 10-year-old daughter in Pacific Grove in July and August 2019.

“During the sentencing hearing, Jane Doe’s mother gave a powerful and emotional impact statement detailing how Bloomer preyed on her vulnerable family, as well as the permanent impact it will have on her daughter,” Monterey County deputy district attorney Christopher Puck said.

At the sentencing, Liu — who declared Bloomer to be a “habitual sexual offender” after the trial — described him as a “monster.”

## Predator

Pacific Grove police arrested Bloomer Aug. 25, 2019, several weeks after he had moved there to live with his ex-girlfriend and her two children, ages 6 and 10. She kicked him out after a month-and-a-half.

Two weeks after Bloomer was evicted, the older daughter, referred to as “Jane Doe” in court, disclosed he had sexually abused her the whole time he was living there, when her mother and family members were away working or were in other parts of the home.

A few days after P.G. police took Bloomer to jail, the girl’s mother filed for a domestic violence restraining order against him, saying he’d violated an earlier order and pleading with the court to keep him away from her and her two children. For a year-long period, she said, he “used threats and coercion to maintain contact with me,” causing mental and emotional anguish, anxiety and depression. “I was afraid for all our lives all of the time,” she said.

The case went to a jury trial because prosecutors would not give Bloomer a plea deal, since lesser sentences and punishments during his three prior convictions, all in Fresno County, in 1995, 2007 and 2008, allowed him to molest again.

Similar to Jane Doe, his earlier victims were related to him by blood or marriage, and three out of four of them testified at the jury trial, which lasted several days and end-

ed with the verdict Nov. 16, 2020, when the jury found Bloomer guilty of multiple counts of lewd and lascivious acts with a child under the age of 14 involving force or duress, sodomy of a child, oral copulation of a child, and sexual penetration of a child who was 10 years of age or under. The case was primarily investigated by PGPD detective Bill Hawkins, according to Puck.

At the sentencing Friday, he said, Liu “found this to be an egregious case, stating that at trial, we heard from a ‘parade of victims’ who painted a portrait ‘of the monster that you are.’”

He remains in Monterey County Jail awaiting transfer to a state prison. Despite the massive sentence, Puck said he will be eligible for parole in 19 years, thanks to voter-approved initiatives reducing sentences for older criminals and relaxing other aspects of criminal justice.

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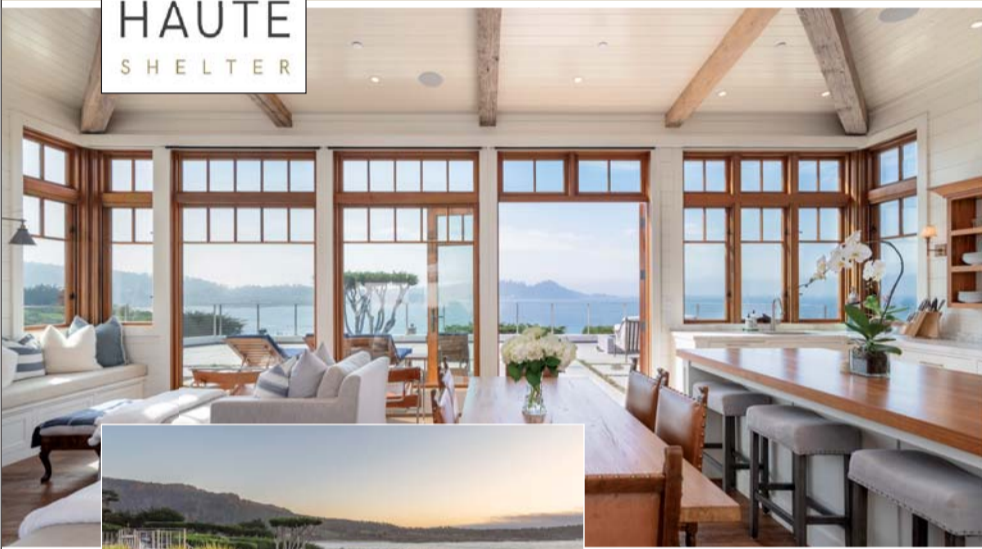
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# ‘Project Bella’ lawsuit moved from state to federal court

By KELLY NIX

THE FORMER U.S. Army general facing a lawsuit by an investor over a failed luxury hotel in the American Tin Cannery has successfully had the case moved from Monterey County Superior Court to federal court.

Investor Todd Timboe in October 2020 sued four-star Gen. Wesley Clark and four other businessmen who were behind the failed Project Bella, a high-end hotel proposed for the American Tin Cannery. Proponents promised the hotel would bring scores of jobs and millions of dollars in tax revenue for Pacific Grove, but the proposal crumbled long before a shovel ever had a chance to hit ground.

A new project to build a hotel on the site proposed by Comstock Development has better financial backing and is moving through the process, though some residents are still opposed to the idea of a hotel on the site.

Timboe filed the lawsuit in civil court in Monterey, alleging the hotel backers had fraudulently induced him to invest \$500,000 in the project

— even as the companies behind the development didn’t have the financial wherewithal to build the hotel.

But attorneys for Clark’s company, Enverra Partners LLC, an investment banking and development firm based in Washington D.C., argued last month in Monterey County Superior Court that the case should be moved to federal court because Timboe alleges violations of the Securities Exchange Act, a federal law. A local judge agreed.

Timboe is also suing businessmen Ron Meer, Steve Heraty, Chris Sabbe, Bruce Haniford and several companies behind the failed hotel plan. He alleges fraud, securities fraud, and breach of fiduciary duty and violations of state and federal laws. He is seeking \$500,000 and general and punitive damages, which can be awarded in cases of intentional misrepresentation or fraud.

Timboe’s interest in the hotel project was sparked after seeing an investment advertisement on a business website, according to his lawsuit, which adds he was “skeptical” of the project and thought it was “too good to be true.”

# SHRINK SUES PRISON SYSTEM IN DISPUTE OVER PRESCRIBING DRUGS TO INMATES

By KELLY NIX

AN ONGOING row involving a psychiatrist and his psychologist boss at a Monterey County prison has prompted a lawsuit against the state prison system.

In a suit filed Dec. 30, Salinas Valley State Prison Chief Psychiatrist Dr. Samuel Samuel, a physician for more than 30 years, alleges the prison’s executive director, psychologist Matthew Borba, has “undermined” several of his medical decisions at the Soledad prison.

Psychiatrists, unlike psychologists, are allowed to prescribe drugs. However, Samuel claims that Borba — who is not a licensed physician — has made it difficult for him to do his job, in part, because he’s “interfered” in Samuel’s decisions involving drug treatment for inmates.

“Over the past year, Borba has repeatedly challenged and undermined Dr. Samuel’s medical decisions and recommendations concerning patient care, to the point that it has become all but impossible for Dr. Samuel to maintain control and discretion over medical decisions” at Salinas Valley State Prison, according to Samuel, who began working there in January 2020.

The psychiatrist provided several examples,

including an instance when he said Borba “blatantly condemned” his decision to place a “suicidal prisoner in seclusion, calling it inappropriate and a significant deviation from policy.” Borba included the “disparaging” comments in the patient’s medical records, without discussing with Samuel the course of treatment, the complaint says.

In another instance, Samuel contends Borba “insisted” on continuing to treat a patient with a prescription drug even after Samuel “was unequivocal in his decision to discontinue” the medicine due to the patient’s “frailty and overall diminished health.”

### ‘Unreasonable schedule’

Samuel also claims that his psychologist superior “continuously challenged” his medical decisions and interfered with his ability to treat inmates, by “requesting a second opinion, demanding that Dr. Samuel adhere to an unreasonable schedule,” and refusing to provide administrative assistance to Samuel and other prison medical staff.

Samuel wants a judge to order the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to immediately remove Borba as his su-

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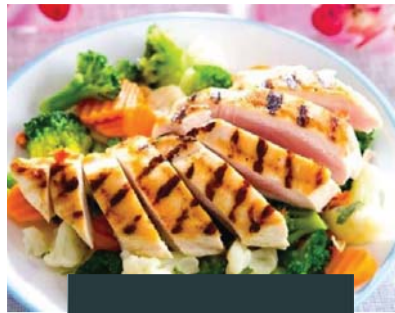
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## Where will archivist's photo collection go? It's still a mystery

By CHRIS COUNTS

A WEEK after Pacific Grove photo archivist Pat Hathaway died at 72, a friend and fellow photo expert told The Pine Cone he's worried about what will become of his collection, which he called, "extremely important."

Steve Travaille of Carmel Valley said Hathaway told him just three weeks before his death that it was his intention to leave the collection with UC Berkeley's Bancroft Library, but that he had no indication that the task was formally completed. Travaille said he's hopeful the collection will end up in the Bancroft Library or some other collection that can secure the photos and make copies of them available on the internet.

Unfortunately, the Bancroft Library confirmed this week it had talked with Hathaway and expressed interest, but no agreement was reached.

Travaille said he wants to make sure the collection is in good hands. So far, he has been unable to even identify a trustee for Hathaway's estate.

"The collection is extremely important to myself and people who are interested in the history of the Monterey Peninsula," he explained. "It is the premier collection of photographs related to local history."

### 'Frustrating,' 'scary'

Travaille called the confusion over Hathaway's collection "very frustrating" and "a little scary." "Nobody seems to know what's going on," he said.

The photos can still be preserved, but many of the tales behind them are now gone.

"Pat knew the stories behind the photos," Travaille added. "His passing was a huge loss."

Hathaway was the owner of California Views, a business that licensed historical photos.

According to Hathaway's website, where more than 2,400 photos are displayed, his archive has nearly 82,000 images. While the archive includes photos from other parts of California, it includes an amazing number of local images — many one-of-a-kind — dating back to the 1850s.

Hathaway's archive got its start in 1970 when he acquired a collection of photos from the widow of the late local photographer Lewis Josselyn. He later added the collections of four more prominent local photographers, C.W.J. Johnson, George Robinson, E.A. Cohen and L.S. Slevin. Copies of Hathaway's photos adorn many local homes and businesses, and have been featured many times in The Pine Cone.

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# Volunteers stay busy during shutdown, eye reopening of popular trail

By CHRIS COUNTS

WITH THE local backcountry closed — and the pandemic and politics hogging the limelight — dozens of volunteers have been quietly working in dense brush and on steep terrain to reopen Big Sur’s most popular hiking route, the Pine Ridge Trail.

The trail, which begins at Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park and ends at Tassajara Road, has been closed since the Soberanes Fire in 2016 due to erosion, mudslides and fallen trees. But in the past nine months, in an effort to reopen the trail, volunteers have logged 4,443 hours of work.

The volunteers, who come from as far away as the San Francisco Bay area and San Luis Obispo, generally fall into two groups: wilderness rangers and trail crew workers.

When the forest is open, wilderness rangers take on a slew of tasks that largely fall under managing visitation, such as educating visitors about fire safety and “Leave No Trace” principles, replacing signs and hauling out trash. They also provide “boots on the ground” and can use radios to call in emergencies.

Trail crew workers, meanwhile, are focused on trail maintenance. Members of both groups are working on fixing the Pine Ridge Trail for now, because the forest is closed.

### Hard work, sweat & fun

To be a trail volunteer, you really have to enjoy hard work and sweat — and cutting up downed trees, which fell on the Pine Ridge Trail after the Soberanes Fires in great numbers. “It’s the funnest thing we do,” Splain said.

The volunteers are doing most of their work just a few miles from the trailhead at Pfeiffer park. This clears the way for professional trail crews to get deep into the wilderness with more ease and fix parts of the trail that are quite remote and have heavy damage.

“We really want to get those crews planted in backcountry where they can do the most bang for buck,” Splain explained.

Also, because the trail crew members are so familiar with the area, they can offer expert advice to workers from outside the area, he said.

### Big Sur’s Mother Trail

Starting at Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park along Highway 1, the Pine Ridge Trail winds its way for 23 miles up the Big Sur River, over Pine Ridge, through Pine Valley, and up Chews Ridge to Tassajara Road. It also links up with more than 200 miles of trails and more than 50 trail camps. But its westernmost 15 miles has been out of commission for four years.

While his group’s volunteers are making great progress, Splain said it’s also important to let people access parts of the backcountry where it is safe.

“Authorized VWA volunteers, staff, and contractors continue to get valuable work done in the Big Sur backcountry despite the forest closure,” he added. “While stewardship work is important, we will continue to advocate for the reopening of the Monterey Ranger District to the general public. We need access to our public lands.”

Last week, the U.S. Forest Service announced it wants to soon reopen some Big Sur trails that were closed by the Dolan Fire.



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Ventana Wilderness Alliance volunteers are keeping busy during the pandemic by fixing trails in Big Sur.

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## WILLIAM (KNOX) MELLON, JR.

October 20, 1925 – January 10, 2021

William (Knox) Mellon, Jr. was born to William (Knox) Mellon, Sr. and Zelma Cochran Mellon in Houston, Texas on October 20, 1925. Knox was 5 years old when the family moved to San Marino, California, where his father built the first house on Oxford Street, across from the Huntington Library. Knox attended the Stonewood and Huntington schools.

For high school, Knox attended the Midland School in Los Olivos, where he played soccer. Knox enlisted in the army in 1943, serving in the 32<sup>nd</sup> Division in the Pacific, participating in the long road back, from New Guinea to Luzon and Japan. He was present at the Malacanang Palace in Manila, Philippines when General MacArthur returned the Philippine government to President Osmeña.



Knox graduated from Pomona College with a B.A. in history and received his Master’s in History from UCLA and his Ph.D. in History from Claremont Graduate University.

In 1948, Knox married Josselyn Bale. They had four children, Lesley, Andrea, Laura and Fred.

Knox taught history at Immaculate Heart College. In 1975, he was appointed California’s first State Historic Preservation Officer California and Director of the State Office of Historic Preservation by Governor Jerry Brown. Thus began Knox’s long involvement and leadership in historic preservation. Knox had his own historic preservation consulting firm, Mellon & Associates. He returned to Sacramento for a second time as California State Historic Preservation Officer and Director of the Office of Historic Preservation under Governor Gray Davis. Knox served for many years as the Executive Director of the California Missions Foundation and of the Mission Inn Foundation in Riverside. A nationally renowned figure in historic preservation, Knox received the prestigious Crowninshield Award from the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the California Preservation Foundation’s President’s Award for Lifetime Achievement, and both the Norman Neuerburg Award and a lifetime achievement award from the California Missions Foundation, as well as other awards and recognition.

Knox also was active in politics. He was the Democratic nominee for the 24<sup>th</sup> Congressional District in 1962, a member of California Democratic Council, Coordinator for Volunteers for Jerry Brown’s first campaign for Governor, and served on George Brown’s 1972 congressional campaign.

Knox enjoyed playing tennis and golf. He loved both the visual and performing arts. He served on the Board of Directors of the Carmel Bach Festival, the Sam and Alfreda Maloof Foundation for Arts and Crafts and on the Board of Trustees of the California Historical Society. Knox and Carlotta moved to the Carmel Highlands in 2010.

Knox was a gentleman and a scholar. He had a quick wit, keen intelligence, a good sense of humor and was a marvelous storyteller. He loved animals, particularly his two dachshunds Thor and Baron, his boyhood mutt Mike, boyhood St. Bernard Josephine and his German Shepherds and was fond of the cats wife Carlotta brought into the Mellon household.

He is survived by wife of 48 years, Carlotta Herman Mellon, daughter Andrea Mellon Schneider, son Fred (Carrie) Mellon, brother David Mellon, grandchildren Heaven Burgo, Conner and Katie Mellon, and Julia Schneider and great grandchildren Jeff and Amber Burgo, brothers-in-law Gary (Beverly) Herman, Richard (Debi) Herman, Donald (Judi) Herman, sister-in-law Kathleen (John) Nally and several nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews. Knox was predeceased by first wife Josslyn Bale Mellon and daughters Laura and Lesley.

A celebration of life will be held when it is safe to do so.

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# Longtime local TV news photographer dies

By KELLY NIX

FROM WILDFIRES in Big Sur to dustups at Carmel City Hall, KSBW photojournalist Dan Kershner was there to cover the story. For more than two dozen years, he eagerly chased the news in Monterey County, usually with a reporter by his side, but often on his own.

Kershner, who was 61 years old, died of liver cancer Jan. 7. His wife and colleagues and others this week remembered the stalwart photographer, who started his job with KSBW in 1996.

Reporter Caitlin Conrad began working with Kershner in early 2015.

"Together we shared the world's smallest bureau in Monterey," Conrad said. "From that office we covered

floods, fires and harbor seals. It's taken me a few days to post a goodbye to Kersh, and I haven't quite accepted that we won't be going out together on our next story."

Kershner — who almost always wore shorts and a T-shirt — was engaging, friendly and unpretentious, and would often chat with other journalists, including this one, about local issues and the news business.

His wife of 28 years, Laura, was with him when he died. They were constant companions when one or the other wasn't at work, and enjoyed traveling together.

She recalled a moment when her husband was filming a wildfire in Santa Cruz. A small mouse was fleeing the forest and stopped to take a long rest on the cameraman's boot. Kershner kept filming, and waited until the mouse left on its own, several minutes later. "He was just so ten-

der-hearted with the critters," she said.

Although Laura said she is "devastated" by the loss, she pointed to the many happy memories of her husband.

"He loved life and lived a full life," she said. "He was a sensitive soul and a dear man."

## At ease

She noted that in his last days, he listened to the music he loved, like Pink Floyd and The Beatles, and still wanted to watch the news — although he never aspired to be on camera. "He liked to tell the story, but he didn't want to be the story," she said.

Former Carmel city administrator Rich Guillen — whom Kershner photographed several times while he worked in city hall — said he knew when Kershner was on a story, it would be reported accurately.

"In these days, where being quarrelsome is the norm between the press corps and government officials, and where investigative reporting is more like tabloid news, I can tell you that this wasn't Dan's modus operandi," Guillen told The Pine Cone. "He was professional, friendly, and most of all, he put you at ease."

KSBW TV anchor Dan Green called Kershner, who grew up in Montana and served in the U.S. Air Force, "one of the finest photojournalists to hoist the camera."

"Kersh loved what he did," Green said in an on-air tribute. "He loved taking you, the viewer, where the news happens. Most of all, he loved Laura. And we loved Kersh."

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The late Dan Kershner, a longtime KSBW videographer, shoots footage at a Monterey Peninsula beach. Kershner passed away last week.

## KEN CHURCHILL

1957 ♦ 2020

Peacefully and surrounded by family, Ken Churchill, passed away on December 24, 2020 at the age of 63.

Ken was born November 11, 1957 in Newport News, Virginia, to Gary and Joanie Churchill (Eckerle). From 7 to 12 years of age, Ken and his family lived on a 30-acre farm in Media, Pennsylvania.



There they raised sheep, horses, ponies, goats and numerous wild chickens along with dogs and cats. Ken enjoyed sharing his warm memories of growing up on the farm with family and friends; memories of taking wild toboggan rides down the front yard hill to catch the school bus, his cat Sugarfoot, and his mom's pet goat "HOSANNA." On May 16th, 1987 he married his best friend Monica Churchill (Paz). They raised two wonderful sons, Tyler and Austin, who he loved so much and was so very proud of along with his daughter-in-law Lauren.

Ken was an entrepreneur. He owned his own firewood business and was a chef at numerous restaurants for many years, but his dream was to own his own restaurant. That dream came true when he became the proud owner of Old Monterey Café. He later pursued other business endeavors with great success.

Ken loved long walks on Carmel Beach with his family and dogs. His favorite vacation spot was the Big Island of Hawaii. A pool, beach, fine meal and a shaved ice brought him so much happiness. He loved drives to Los Angeles to see family, drives to San Francisco to find the best Crab Louie and a ski trip to Tahoe here and there with his sons. Ken was known for his quick wit, larger-than-life personality, entrepreneurial skills, infectious smile, and cooking — you would often find him in the kitchen cooking up a feast for family and friends.

Ken touched the lives of many people with his generosity working with Dorothy's Kitchen, Palma High School's Edmund Rice Society, United Way, and numerous organizations associated with the Carmel

Mission. He will be deeply missed by family and friends and all that knew him

Ken is survived by his wife of 33 years, Monica; sons Tyler (Lauren) and Austin; brother Roger (Lynn); sister-in-law Eileen; and his sister Lesley, and several cousins, nieces and nephews.

Ken was preceded in death by his father, Gary; and his mother Joanie; his sister, Laurie; brother, Mark; as well as Joanna (Nana), Alice (Granny), John (Grumps), Uncle Walt, and Aunt Bunky.

A service and celebration of Ken's life will be held at a later time when family and friends can gather safely.



## Frederick M. Sciubba

February 23, 1948 ♦ December 30, 2020  
Los Altos, CA

Frederick M. Sciubba, born in Philadelphia, PA, died of heart failure in Pebble Beach, CA at the place he loved with the woman he loved. Son of the late Jeanne and Rocco P. Sciubba Jr., M.D., he is survived by his beloved daughter, Erica Westmyer, her mom, Kathy Sciubba; son-in-law, Ken Westmyer and grandchildren, Marli and Saxon.

Frederick resided in Los Altos, CA with the light of his life and beloved fiancé; Deb Shoquist. He was step-father of Krista and Erik; brother-in-law of Lee Cunningham, Mike and Sandee Meade; brother of James Sciubba, Donna M. Hill and the late Jeanne Sciubba and uncle of Daniel Hill, Stephanie Pierce, Daniel Meade and Heather Meade.

Frederick was a man loved by many. His charisma, grin, laughter, kindness and big heart will truly be missed by all his family and friends. Love you and miss you dearly Papa Bear.

A Celebration of Life will be scheduled in Ocean City, NJ and Pebble Beach, CA with details forthcoming post-Covid.

Please visit [thepaulmortuary.com](http://thepaulmortuary.com)  
to sign Frederick's guestbook.

# Thieves find unlocked cars easy pickings

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

A HANDFUL of residents on the east side of town awakened Monday to find their cars ransacked and items stolen, and in every case, the vehicle had been left unlocked, according to Carmel Police Sgt. Jeff Watkins.

On Jan. 11, a resident on Sixth north of Perry Newberry phoned police shortly after 8 a.m., followed by someone at Sixth and Guadalupe discovering the theft a half-hour later, and another resident on Carpenter south of Third reported similar circumstances shortly after 9.

The first call was reported as a theft, but nothing was actually missing, according to Watkins, while the second victim had a purse and wallet stolen, and the third lost a bag and some gift cards.

While car break-ins are so common in San Francisco that people often leave their vehicles unlocked just to avoid having to pay to repair broken windows, the activity is much less common here, and often thieves are just opportunistic and will only steal from cars left unlocked.

Watkins asked residents to remember to keep their cars and homes locked, and to never leave valuables in their vehicles.

# CPD: Apply for resident parking permits by mail

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

RESIDENTS WHO buy annual parking stickers for their cars and pay the required yearly fees for their alarm systems should send in their paperwork and money by mail, not go to the station, according to Carmel Police Sgt. Jeff Watkins. "I need to minimize the exposure to our dispatch staff to keep them healthy until the vaccine gets released to us," he explained.

To get a parking permit, send a current copy of the vehicle's registration, proof of residency, such as a utility bill, lease or tax bill showing the physical address, and payment in the amount of \$30 per vehicle. Residents should also include a contact number.

Those with alarm systems should also pay their bills by mail.

Checks should be made out to the City of Carmel, and everything mailed to Carmel P.D., PO Box 600, Carmel, CA 93921. For more information, call (831) 624-6403.



*Ann LaPierre*

We mourn the loss of our mom, Ann LaPierre, who was born in Chicago, IL on Valentine's Day, February 14, 1926, and passed away in her Pacific Grove home on January 4, 2021. She had been a resident of the Monterey Peninsula since 1952 when her husband, John LaPierre, started teaching at Pacific Grove High School. Ann volunteered for the Monterey Historical Society, American Cancer Society, and the American Legion Auxiliary. She also was a member of the Pacific Grove/Monterey Bridge Club, Monterey Civil Club and The Carmel Foundation.

Ann was an avid reader, knitter, world traveler, and bridge player.

She was predeceased by her husband, John LaPierre.

Ann is survived by her daughters, Stephanie LaPierre Travis (Clyde), Debbie LaPierre Vaughn (Doug); her sister Eleanor Colamartino; niece Paula Loverde; grandsons Aaron and Cameron Travis, and four great-grandchildren.

Condolences may be written to the family at [www.bermudezfamilyfunerals.com](http://www.bermudezfamilyfunerals.com).



# Hilda Eva Miller

1925 • 2020

Hilda passed peacefully on November 8th, surrounded by family and friends.



Hilda was born in Camden, N.J., from humble beginnings. In 1985 she moved to Carmel, CA and loved her new home and felt grateful to be there. Meeting people and making friends was easy for her with her quick wit and warm personality. She could make the most matter-of-fact person at least crack a smile. She was a pleasure to be around.

Hilda was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, Ernest E. Miller, and her beloved daughter, Linda Joan Miller, Ph.D. She is survived by four sons, Ernie, Mark, Mike and Bill Miller, and four grandsons, Matthew, Tavenor, Liam and Aidan Miller, and one granddaughter, Liane Miller Liu, M.D. Hilda will be missed by all.

During her 95 years on the planet, she made many people happy and feel needed up to the end of her precious life.

A memorial service will be held for Hilda at a later date.

# Richard Clarke Schofield

September 2, 1927 - December 20, 2020  
Carmel, California

Richard (Dick) Schofield passed away peacefully at home on December 20, 2020, with his wife Harriette by his side. Dick was born in Bedford, Indiana to Hazen A. Schofield and Charlotte B. Schofield. During the Great Depression, the family including his older sister Crystal Barkley Schofield, moved to Amherst, and later Toledo, Ohio. They came west and moved to San Francisco in 1943. The following year at age 17, Dick passed his High School adequacy test and enlisted in the Army Air Corps. After training in Utah and Mississippi he was assigned as a Control Tower Operator at Hickham AFB in Hawaii. Later, following a tsunami which hit the Big Island, he was reassigned and helped reopened the tower at Lyman AFB in Hilo, Hawaii.

After an Honorable Discharge in January 1947, Dick returned to San Francisco, where he attended San Francisco City College and San Jose State College graduating with a BA degree in Business. He was soon hired by Libby-Owens-Ford Glass Company taking him to Chicago and later to Charlotte, North Carolina as a sales manager. He later returned to California to create his own firm; Plastics Distributors Incorporated (PDI) in Tustin, California and later in Oakland, CA. After selling this company, Dick worked as a National Sales Manager for LTI, a hot glue company featuring plastic sealing and gluing products and was based in Monterey, California.

It was in Monterey on December 1, 1978 Dick met Harriette Mason his wife of the past 40 years. She was a real estate broker and in 1979 Dick joined Harriette in the real estate business. They married and together they operated Independent Realty Associates (IRA, Inc.) in Carmel. They were highly successful and retired in 1998. They then moved to, and lived in, Mexico for three plus years and then on to Florida for three years, and finally returning to Carmel Valley in 2005. Harriette returned to and remained a Realtor and Dick worked as a Marshall for Pebble Beach Golf Links for the next seven years prior to retiring.

Dick was blessed with six children. From his first marriage to Joan Thiele, he had a son, Peter Edward Hammond (Formerly Phillip Edward Schofield, died 2017). From his second marriage to Helen Mattson, he had three children Susan Jay Schofield (died 2018), Brian Barkley Schofield (died 2012) and Crystal Anne Schofield (Prado) who resides in Concord, California. From his marriage to Harriette Schofield he became stepfather to two daughters Michele Marie Cowan (Myka) (died 1984) and Charlette Stewart Cowan (Charlee) who is currently living here in Carmel to help her mother. Dick is also survived and will be missed by 11 grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren and nieces and nephews throughout the USA and in Canada.

At Dick's request there will be no services but two of his favorite charities were the Salvation Army and the SPCA for Monterey County and their shop in the Barnyard area. Should you like to help either organization or donate to YOUR favorite charity, the smile you receive in return will also be from Dick!

Some evening as you enjoy a beautiful sunset and a gentle breeze off the ocean perhaps take a moment and raise a glass and toast Dick's life. In that moment you may just imagine him smiling back.



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# PRO-AM

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celebrities and amateurs competing on three courses, most recently Pebble Beach, Spyglass and the Monterey Peninsula Country Club's Shore Course, and draws tens of thousands of people to the Peninsula for the week. It has generated more than \$176 million for charity since Bing Crosby brought his Clambake here in 1947.

Last month, organizers announced the 75th annual tournament would be held without spectators, and this week, they pivoted again, saying only the pros will compete.

Steve John, tournament director and CEO of the Monterey Peninsula Foundation that organizes it, said he is grateful to title sponsor AT&T, corporate donors, the tour, P.B. Co. and the volunteers who are committed to helping during this year's tournament, no matter what it looks like or how people are watching.

"While we will truly miss watching the actors, musicians, athletes and other amateur participants who make this event so special, we are pleased to continue on with the professional competition, enabling the foundation to support nonprofits in Mon-

terey, San Benito and Santa Cruz Counties," he said in a statement. "Our charitable giving will target basic needs like food insecurity, educational inequities and health inequities brought on by the pandemic."

Pebble Beach Co. CEO Bill Perocchi said the decision was difficult to make but was clearly the right one, "given the recent surge in Covid-19 cases."

### See it on TV

There will still be a small pro-am the Wednesday of tournament week, according to organizers, to help raise additional money for local charities. The "Every Shot Counts" pro-am, organized by the PGA Tour at various tournaments over the past five months, will feature "a limited number of amateur participants," competing "in accordance with a comprehensive health and safety plan, including Covid-19 testing." They did not say who the amateur players will be.

The AT&T Pebble Beach tournament will be broadcast by CBS and the Golf Channel, and streamed on PGA Tour services. Nick Taylor is the defending champion, and he will be back to try for the trophy again.

For a list of the whole pro field and other details about the tournament, including broadcast times and how to support its benefiting charities, go to [attpgolf.com](http://attpgolf.com).



PHOTO/KERRY BELSER

If you've been looking forward to letting Bill Murray share your beer, as he did to one spectator in 2019 at Monterey Peninsula Country Club, you'll have to wait for the 2022 Pro-Am to do it. This year, there will be no audience — or celebrities.



*Claire Reisinger Jacobson*  
1931 – 2020

Claire R. Jacobson, long-time resident of Pebble Beach and most recently The Cottages of Carmel, died on December 23, 2020 from complications of Covid 19.

Claire was the daughter of Lilburn O. and Helen Smith Reisinger and grew up in Tacoma, Washington. She was a graduate of Tacoma's public schools and Washington State University where she earned a degree in Agriculture. It was at Washington State that she met the love of her life, Charles (Chuck) Jacobson, whom she married in 1955. For several years, Claire taught elementary school in Salinas, before retiring and devoting herself to her many outside interests.

Throughout her life, Claire devoted much of her time, energy, and resources to the care of animals. She was a committed supporter of the SPCA and raised several Old English Sheep Dogs. She was also an accomplished horsewoman. She had a particular interest in the demanding sport of competitive dressage, which is often considered the highest form of horse training. In her lifetime, Claire won many blue ribbons showing her dogs as well as competing in dressage.

In addition to her love of animals, Claire enjoyed travelling the world with her husband, Chuck, and cruising the Pacific Northwest on their yachts "Allure" and "Arista." She was a member of Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club, St. Francis Yacht Club, Stillwater Yacht Club, and The Beach and Tennis Club at Pebble Beach. She was a generous contributor to the SPCA for Monterey County, Chartwell School, and her husband's alma mater, Cal Poly at San Luis Obispo.

Claire was predeceased by her parents and her husband, Chuck, but is survived by numerous relatives in Washington state, Canada, and Redding, CA, and her horse, "Toledo." In recent years she was assisted by her cousin, Kathleen Shaw and her caregiver, Daisy. At Claire's request, no services are planned. If you would like to remember her, please consider a donation to The SPCA of Monterey County, Chartwell School, the Monterey Peninsula Youth Sailing Foundation, the Carmelite Monastery, or your favorite charity.

**"Chin-chin," Claire. You will be missed.**



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## Michael Paul Cole

1943 — 2021

On Friday, January 8, 2021, Michael Paul Cole, loving husband, father, and "Grandpa Tuna," passed away at the age of 77 due to complications from COVID-19.

Mike was born on August 15, 1943 in Carmel to Rose Funchess Dodd and Clarence Dodd. At a young age, Mike's father passed away. Rose later married Ewell Cole, who became his father. Mike graduated from Carmel High School in 1961. At seventeen, Mike joined the Navy and served as an electrician for three years. He returned to Monterey and attended Monterey Peninsula College as he worked at Carmel Lumber. He was later employed at M&S Building Supply, a co-owner of H&H Home and Craft Center, and later worked in sales for Triad Computer Systems.

Mike was a nationally ranked tennis player and a founding member of Chamisal Tennis Club. A board member of the Carmel Valley Gem and Mineral Society, he enjoyed collecting, cutting and polishing stones that he made into beautiful jewelry. He loved spending time with his grandkids, strumming his banjo, and driving his restored 1962 VW Type 3 single cab pickup "Bonnie" to Monterey Peninsula Air-Cooled Society events.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Ewell and Rose Cole. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn, son Bob (Julie) and grandchildren Luci, Dylan, and Chaya of Monterey, son Ted (Allison) and granddaughters Hannah and Avery of Fresno, brother Jim Dodd (Rena) of Santee, sister Marilyn of Pacific Grove, sister Peggy McMahan (Rod) of Carmel Valley, and brother Buzz (Elaine) of Monterey.

A memorial service will be held at a future date. In lieu of flowers, his beloved cats Ollie and Emmett would appreciate remembrances made in Mike's name to Animal Friends Rescue Project, P.O. Box 51083, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.

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# This Week

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## AWARD-WINNING STRING QUARTET VISITS ONLINE

TWO LOCAL music nonprofits are teaming up to stream a multi faceted musical event Wednesday, Jan. 20, that showcases the Grammy Award-winning **Catalyst Quartet**.

The event is co-presented by the Youth Music Monterey County and Chamber Music Monterey Bay.

Part recorded concert and part live master class, the event will be streamed on the internet.

The quartet was founded a decade ago by an organization that sponsors a national competition for young Black and Hispanic classical string musicians and uses its fundraising to help the winners find careers. The Catalyst Quartet includes violinists **Karla Donehew Perez** and **Jessie Montgomery**, violist **Paul Laraia** and cellist **Karlos Ro-**

**driguez** — all former participants in the contest, which is called the Sphinx Competition.

The group won a Grammy in 2018 not for playing classical music, but for backing jazz singer Cécile McLorin Salvant on “Dreams and Daggers,” which won Best Vocal

## On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

Jazz Album.

Besides expanding its borders beyond classical music, the quartet seeks to showcase composers of color, as well as women. Wednesday’s program will reflect that.

### ‘New traditions’

**Suzanne Mudge** of Youth Music Monterey County called the quartet “groundbreaking.”

“It’s made of young people of color, and they’re establishing new traditions.” Mudge told The Pine Cone. “I think they are the future of classical music — we need the younger generation to get involved. This is how classical music will survive.”

For Youth Music Monterey County, such an event makes it possible for the nonprofit to reach young music students during the pandemic. A second offering in the same series features **The Westerlies Brass Quartet**, and is set for Feb. 27. The two nonprofits will again team up to co-present it.

The event, which is free, starts at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday. To watch, go to [youthmusicmonterey.org](http://youthmusicmonterey.org).

## New shows open downtown, spotlight falls on Big Sur kids

JUST AS it does each year, the Carmel Art Association kicks off the new year with a new show — or in this case, two of them.

In “Voyage,” nonagenarian artist **Susan Reith** moves between still lifes and abstracts, emphasizing the similarities in the style between the two creative approaches. The show will be on display through Feb. 2.

“It does not take long to sense a very clear relationship between the two styles, bound together by vibrant color,” gallery manager **Sally Aberg** told The Pine Cone. “It is as if she deconstructed her florals and multi-patterned backgrounds into a marvelous play of shapes and hues raining down as dynamic, Fauvist abstractions.”

## Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

Also new at the Carmel Art Association is painter **Lilli-anne Price’s** show, “Somewhere in Time,” which includes “warm sunsets, stormy coastlines, rolling hillsides, and even some abstractions.” The exhibit continues through March 2. “Her signature ‘grand scale’ oils allow the viewer to immerse themselves in the environments — whether brooding or bucolic — that she captures using a palette knife and bold, expressionistic color,” Aberg added.

Still on display at the art association is its annual fundraising Small Treasures exhibit, which includes more than

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A pair of local nonprofits are streaming an event by the Grammy Award-winning Catalyst Quartet June 20 that is part concert, and part master class.

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# Perfectly Pressed expands, Tim Wood gets own restaurant, help needed

A CARMEL couple this week expanded their fresh juice business, adding an Alvarado Street storefront to complement their space in Salinas.

Alex and Kate McCloskey bought Perfectly Pressed in November 2018, gave the brand an overhaul and expanded the menu, and have been doing well enough to grow during the middle of a pandemic. They opened their new space Saturday.

Both Monterey Peninsula natives — he went to Monterey High, while she attended Stevenson — and veterans of the restaurant industry, Alex and Kate met while working at Vesuvio. Among many things, they share “a passion for good food and drink,” he said.

## Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

After working in local restaurants and then living abroad in Australia for a bit, the McCloskeys decided to return home to start a family and moved into a house at Lincoln and First — where they’ve now lived for five years. In late 2018, they took a chance on Perfectly Pressed.

“We both worked in hospitality forever and love the service industry. We are also big into healthy lifestyles — active people who hike and bike a ton and eat natural foods,” he said. “When we lived in Sydney, we fell in love with the progressive food culture and their booming juice/smoothie bars that were all over.”

So, when the juice shop was put on the market, they “took a leap to follow that vision.” They wholeheartedly believe in the need to make all their juices and smoothies with locally grown produce without adding any sugar or preservatives. Perfectly Pressed offers numerous juice blends, cold brew coffee, and nine different smoothies, all with a healthy bent, and they work hard to make everything tasty. “It’s super good for you and built around super delicious flavor,” he said.

The McCloskeys opened their new Perfectly Pressed shop at 491 Alvarado St., formerly the home of MYO frozen yogurt, Jan. 9. (MYO closed its locations for the winter, due to the pandemic-induced shutdowns and economic hardship, but plans to open a new shop in the Crossroads in the spring.)

For more information, visit [perfectlypressedjuice.com](http://perfectlypressedjuice.com).

### What’s up at Woody’s?

After wowing guests at high-end Carmel Valley resorts for years, chef Tim Wood finally has his very own kitchen. He took over the restaurant at Monterey Peninsula Airport — the Golden Tee for many years — and renamed it Woody’s.

The place already has a dedicated following among locals who are familiar with Wood’s food and are excited to see what he’s doing now that he has total autonomy, and hopefully travelers and others who aren’t familiar with his cooking will also take the time to give it a go.

The menu isn’t fussy or complicated, instead relying on his skills to turn out good comfort food that can’t be faked, like fried chicken, prime rib French dip, and a classic burger with bacon and “all four cheeses.” Clam chowder, onion rings, pot stickers, prosciutto and burrata, Caesar and wedge and other salads, a classic patty melt, roasted turkey breast sandwich, fried calamari, sand dabs, rib-eye steak and chicken with polenta have their places on the menu, all at reasonable prices for the Monterey Peninsula.

Woody’s also offers specials, like the burger for \$15 on Mondays, the French Dip for \$17 on Saturdays, and prime rib on Friday nights (starting at 2 p.m.) for \$34.

Like other restaurants on the Peninsula, Woody’s is offering takeout for now. To order, call (831) 373-1232. Parking is validated with a \$15 minimum purchase. The restaurant is open from 11 a.m. to “approximately” 7 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and from 10 a.m. to around 7 p.m. on weekends. Wood also oversees the snack shop and the vending machines and has a full bar. For all the details, go to [woodysmontereyairport.com](http://woodysmontereyairport.com).

### Point Pinos gets started

The new Grill at Point Pinos, located at the Pacific Grove golf course, quietly opened on Thanksgiving Day under the management of Le Crème Monterey’s Tamie Aceves, only to be forced to switch to takeout only due to the shelter-in-place order imposed last month. But golf is still allowed — and golfers need to eat — so the grill is pushing its grab-and-go business, which also appeals to the non-golfing crowd.

“We are beginning service with our delicious house-baked goods and espresso bar, proudly serving Verve Coffee Roasters, followed by our award-winning brunch service, with some new tricks up our sleeve,” Aceves announced on her website. “Grab & Go will be an ongoing development as we tweak it to fit just right, and lunch service will commence within the first couple of weeks.”

She said she’s hoping the liquor license will be transferred by the end of January, which would mean kicking off a new daily Happy Hour from 3 to 7 p.m., and a beverage cart is on order and should be in service by early spring, ensuring drinks are available on the course.

The menu, which is available for online ordering through [toasttab.com](http://toasttab.com), features hot and cold sandwiches, salads, waffles, breakfast fries, avocado toast, burrito, bacon, baked goods, soup, fried chicken, parfait, and coffee and espresso drinks, among other treats, including plenty of “G&G” items.

For more information, visit [grillatpointpinos.com](http://grillatpointpinos.com).

### Waiving liquor license fees

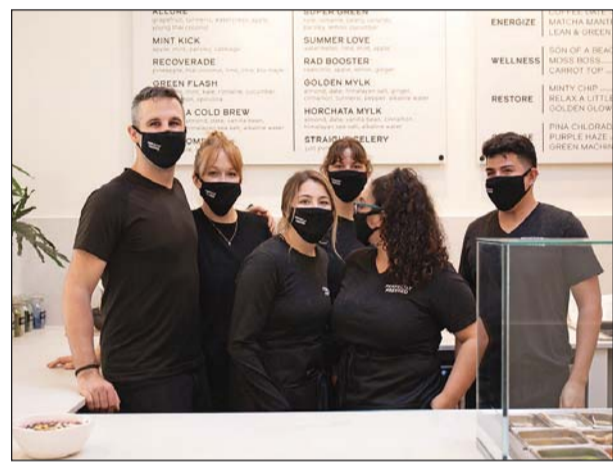
Gov. Gavin Newsom’s proposed budget released Jan. 5 calls for \$70.6 million in fee waivers for individuals and businesses most impacted by the pandemic, like barbers, cosmetologists, manicurists — including \$45 million in waivers for bars and restaurants, according to the California Board of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

The waivers should help the roughly 59,000 bars and restaurants across the state that have had to operate at a greatly reduced capacity or shut down altogether due to pandemic-related shelter-in-place orders. Restaurants and bars will be eligible for fee waivers of licenses set to expire between Feb. 1 of this year and Jan. 31, 2022. Requirements and guidelines for submitting fee waiver requests and the process of certification for license holders will be published on the ABC’s website, [abc.ca.gov](http://abc.ca.gov).

### Jeninni’s chicken torchon

Dorothy Maras, the culinary director and “chef whisperer” for Pebble Beach Food & Wine, recently noted that Jeninni Kitchen’s chicken torchon was her favorite dish of 2020 — and the Pacific Grove restaurant is offering it again Jan. 16.

An order for two costs \$59 and includes shaved fennel salad with endive, radish and vinaigrette, and whole



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The Perfectly Pressed crew, including owners Alex and Kate McCloskey on the left, in their new Alvarado Street shop.

deboned chicken with purée of slow-cooked onion in butter and a sauce of shallots, tarragon and capers, plus chicken jus. Call ahead to order yours at (831) 920-2662 or email [info@jeninni.com](mailto:info@jeninni.com). The restaurant is located at 542 Lighthouse Ave. Find more information at [jeninni.com](http://jeninni.com).

### Help Cheryl Graham

A fundraiser is underway for Cheryl Graham, who has worked at Parker-Lusseau Pastries and Café in Monterey for a dozen years and suffered a stroke there Dec. 21, 2020. Her coworkers dialed 911 and she was rushed to Community Hospital, and on New Year’s Eve, Graham was transferred to the hospital’s acute care rehab center, “where she is receiving the best care available and undergoing stroke therapy,” according to her friends at Parker-Lusseau.

“In Cheryl’s eyes, our customers came first,” said Yann Lusseau, her boss and organizer of a GoFundMe campaign to help her. “No matter what kind of day she was having, she always had something nice to say to them — a simple smile, a hug, a compliment, while fixing their favorite drink. She knew many customers on a first name basis. We all love her.”

This week, the fundraiser had generated almost \$24,000 toward the \$75,000 goal, and Lusseau reported Graham is slowly regaining her speech abilities and is working hard on recovering the use of her right arm and leg. For more information, updates and to contribute, go to [gofundme.com/f/help-cheryl-grahams-recovery](http://gofundme.com/f/help-cheryl-grahams-recovery).

### Tiki Tuesdays are back

Hula’s Island Grill at 622 Lighthouse Ave. in Monterey is bringing back popular Tiki Tuesdays, offering signature tiki cocktails and half-liters of Hinano beer and Discretion Brewery’s Scenic Stout to go for \$7 between 2 and 8 p.m. All drinks must be ordered with food, and Hula’s has its usual lineup of bright, island-inspired fare available.

Go to [hulastiki.com](http://hulastiki.com) to check out the menu, and call (831) 655-4852 to order food and drinks to go.

### Manzoni open Saturdays

The folks at Manzoni Estate Vineyard have barely been able to use the new tasting room they opened at the southwest corner of San Carlos and Seventh, due to the shutdowns. The family-run business produces chardonnay, pinot noir, rosé and a Bordeaux blend from its 6-acre vineyard in the Santa Lucia Highlands, and the wines can be purchased in the tasting room on Saturdays for 20 percent off. Go to [manzoniwines.com](http://manzoniwines.com) for more information.

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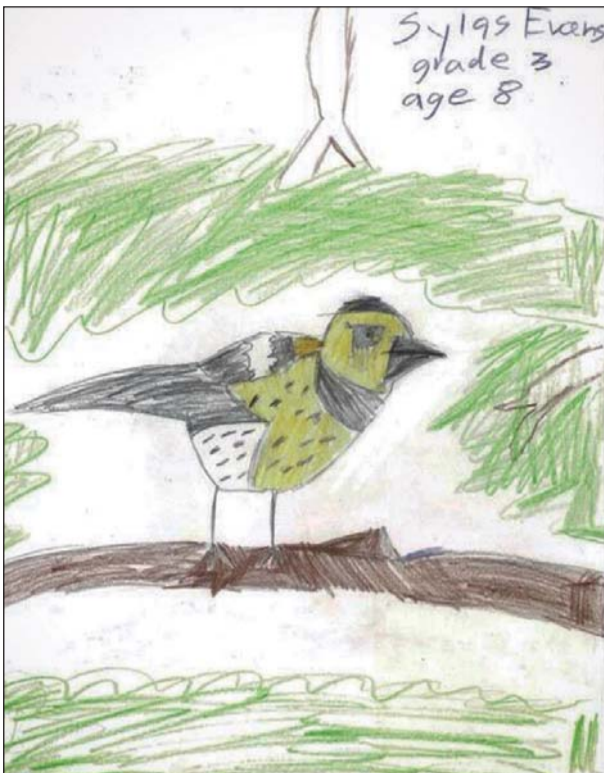
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200 pieces created by 65 different member-artists and has been held over for another month.

None of the pieces is larger than 20 by

20 inches. The artists will split the proceeds with the nonprofit gallery.

The gallery, which is open Thursdays through Sundays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., is located on Dolores between Fifth and Sixth. A limited number of people will be allowed in at the same time, so be prepared for a short wait outside in the gallery's sculpture garden. Call (831) 250-3347 or visit [carmelart.org](http://carmelart.org).



Sylas Evans, who drew the bird pictured here, was a winner in an art contest for Big Sur kids.

## ■ Kids paint, draw flora & fauna

An art contest sponsored by the Community Association of Big Sur last month gave more than two dozen youngsters from ages 4 to 13 a chance to express their creativity and win prizes. The youngsters were asked to draw and paint the local flora and fauna impacted by the Dolan Fire, which burned in Big Sur last summer.

"Who suffers in a wild-fire?" asked the executive director of the nonprofit, **Butch Kronlund**. "It's the plants and animals."

Ten prize winners each took home \$50, including **Alex Rios, Alexander Gonzalez, Elinor Koning, Gissele Vizzaretea, Grey Miszuk, Jose Plascencia, Sylas Evans, Vito Garcia**

and **Wylder Robertson**.

Another young artist who was honored, **Olivia Barnes**, died of cancer in 2019. An important memento for her family is a painting she had done of a fox hiding behind a tree. Kronlund called the striking piece, which her family submitted, "one more tribute to her memory."

The contest's judges were Big Sur painter **Branham Rendlen**, Ventana Wilderness Alliance executive director **Mike Splain** and United States Forest Service official **Lynn Olson**.

Splain said he was impressed by the talent the kids displayed.

"I expected kids who've grown up immersed in the wildlands of Big Sur to be keen and creative observers of nature," he said. "They vastly exceeded my expecta-

tions."

Kronlund agreed. "The kids came through in a big way," he added.

## ■ Hofsas House reception canceled

Mural artist **Marie-Claire Gorham** is the artist-in-residence at the Hofsas House Hotel, and a reception was set to be given for her Friday at 4 p.m. But the hotel's **Carrie Theis** said late this week that the event has been canceled due to Covid restrictions.

Gorham created the giant shell mural that went up last year alongside the Palomas Home Furnishings building on Mission Street near Ocean, and created another mural inside Café Carmel.

# CALENDAR

**Jan. 21 - Fireside Chat at the Library - A Community Night with the Library Program. "Same Storm, Different Boat,"** 7 p.m. Online. Register at: [www.carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org](http://www.carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org). Come and engage with a multi-generational panel as they explore the various impacts of COVID-19 and coping mechanisms that are associated with distance learning, economic shifts and social isolation. Hosted by the Carmel Public Library Foundation. Questions? [afallon@carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org](mailto:afallon@carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org) or (831) 624-2811

**Jan. 21 - Aspire Health Plan Presents: Atherosclerosis, a Virtual Community Connections Class.** When plaque clogs your arteries, it's serious stuff. Join local physician, Dr. Andreas Sakopoulos, M.D., for a discussion on why plaque builds in the arteries and how to prevent and treat it before it's too late. Offered 2 to 3 p.m., event is free. Please register so we can

know how many to expect. RSVP to (877) 663-7651, or [www.aspirehealthplan.org/connections2021](http://www.aspirehealthplan.org/connections2021)

**Jan. 28 - Aspire Health Plan Presents: SMART Goals for Weight Loss, a Virtual Community Connections Class.** SMART Goals are easy to use tools that help focus and motivate us. Start the New Year off right, with a SMART goal! Offered 10 to 11 a.m., event is free. Please register so we can know how many to expect. RSVP to (877) 663-7651, or [www.aspirehealthplan.org/connections2021](http://www.aspirehealthplan.org/connections2021)

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# Sometimes, this family just wants to take a walk — on their hands

KATHLEEN BRADY, a grandmother today, says her adult children laugh and tease whenever she spontaneously busts a gymnastics move 40-plus years beyond her days as a competitive athlete.

"I'll walk down a hallway doing toe turns from an old balance beam routine, and my kids will make fun of me," confided Brady, who was 23 in 1982, when she founded Rising Star Gymnastics in the old basketball gym at Carmel's Sunset Center.

"I'm 63 now and I still do handstands," she said. "It's in my blood."

Such hematological anomalies are common among former gymnasts, and when it comes to fun-poking, Brady's firstborn child, now 35, doesn't have a leg to stand on. Kelly Brady-Favaloro, mother of two of Kathleen's grandkids, also is afflicted with hand-walking compulsions. "I haven't done gymnastics for years, but I still have daily urges to do handstands," she said.

Kelly and four younger siblings grew up in their mother's gym, which relocated in 2001 to a 10,000-square-foot

space at 2024 Del Monte Ave. in Monterey. So did hundreds of other kids — as many as 600 at Rising Star's peak, in the years after Mary Lou Retton graced Wheaties boxes on breakfast tables everywhere. The academy still had 375-400 students on its roster when Covid-19 crashed the party early last year.

## Baby steps

Baby Kelly was in the gym five days after she was born, started gymnastics at 2, and competed through her freshman year of college at UC Davis. Her brother, Kyle, two years younger, was born on a Saturday night, and Kathleen took him to the gym the following Monday morning to watch her do the payroll. He competed through his first year of law school at UC Berkeley.

"All five of my kids learned to walk in the gym with our gymnasts cheering them on," Brady said.

Countless Rising Star alumni have a similar story, playing as toddlers in a parent-participation program called Gyminy Crickets, learning forward, backward, and side-

ways rolls, along with other skills designed to develop coordination, balance and agility. Parent-free classes begin at age 3.

"They learn how to fall. They learn how to climb. They develop strength and air awareness," said Brady-Favaloro, who took over the family business when her mom retired in 2015.

## Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

Recreational classes go to age 13, and competitive teams for all levels go to age 17.

Kathleen Brady competed in gymnastics at West Chester University in Pennsylvania, but left school before graduating to pursue a coaching career at Alt Gymnastics Teachers Training Academy in New Jersey, then coached briefly in New Jersey and Florida.

## The birth of a school

She visited friends in Carmel and fell in love with the town, but her efforts to find a local coaching job were unsuccessful until Rick Johnson, co-owner of Monterey Bay Gymnastics Center, told her the Sunset Center wanted to start a program.

Brady sold them on her coaching credentials and offered to provide equipment, Sunset Center unlocked the gym, and Rising Star was christened. Brady distributed flyers and spoke at schools for four months, then greeted an inaugural class of 25 kids on June 13, 1982. By summer's end, she had 90. Within a year, she had waiting lists.

"The gym at the Sunset Center, wall to wall, was 30 feet wide, and maybe 80 feet long," Kathleen remembered. "A regulation runway for the vault is 72-80 feet, minimum, not including the vault and landing area. Our runway was 45 feet, so our kids would climb to the top of a little stairway, then sprint down those stairs to the runway."

Lauren Tyner (Carmel High, Class of '01), a Rising Star gymnast from ages 10-17, remembers traveling to their first competitive meet, where Coach Brady was embarrassed when her vaulters lined up halfway down the runway to begin their sprints. The following week, Kathleen measured out a regulation-length runway in the Sun-

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PHOTO/COURTESY RISING STAR GYMNASTICS

(Above) Kathleen Brady of Rising Star Gymnastics addresses her students in the old Sunset School basketball gym while cradling newborn daughter Kelly in her arms. The picture was taken 35 years ago and now Kelly (right) runs the school her mom founded.



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set Center parking lot so her kids could familiarize themselves with the distance.

## Jumping and jamming

The balance beam at the Sunset Center was set up in the old athletic trainer's room, where Carmel High's basketball players got their knees and ankles taped before heading onto the floor.

"I'm 5-foot-6, a little bit tall for a gymnast, and I was that tall in middle school," said Tyner, now a fifth-grade teacher in Isleton, a Sacramento delta town of 800. "There were water pipes hanging from the ceiling in the beam room, wrapped with carpet squares and foam because we had jumps in our beam routines. If I lifted my arms when I jumped, I'd jam my fingers into the pipes. We eventually put marks on the beam so we'd know where the pipes were without looking up."

The high bar, parallel bars, and floor-exercise mats shared space in the small gym and frequently had to be moved around. The still rings, for male gymnasts, dangled from the high ceiling. A balcony was the venue for ballet lessons, taught by a revolving door of Russian-born instructors.

"We were not Russian ballerinas, we were American gymnasts, so there was a significant clash of cultures, and the Russians would get frustrated and quit," Tyner said. "After we scared the last one away, Kathleen got us a ballet video to watch in the beam room."

But they learned. Rising Star athletes won state championships and reached the podiums at countless other competitions, building a trophy case full of hardware, most of which is packed in boxes today for lack of space.

It wasn't all about trophies and competition. Rising Star coaches devote equal effort to recreational athletes, including special-needs children. Kids with Down syndrome, autism and various other learning differences have been part of the gym since the early days.

"I've had children at our gym whose self-confidence was so low, and there was nothing more heartwarming than watching kids like that come out of their shells," Kathleen said. "My daughter, Kelly, was a very shy, reserved kid — if you talked to her old teachers, they'll say she barely peeped a word — and now she's a confident, outgoing woman."

## Tools of life

Dr. Michelle Meyer (CHS '05), a San Francisco-based pediatrician with a 1-year-old daughter, was a Rising Star gymnast from ages 2 to 13, and said the experience helped shape her into the adult she's become.

"It gave me strength, flexibility and endurance. I learned about teamwork, dedication and overcoming fear," she said. "After Rising Star, I did volleyball, basketball and track. I joined a competitive racing team when I was at Stanford and went to the 2012 Olympic trials in the marathon. I'm a doctor today. I think Rising Star played a significant role in all of that."

Five years after taking over the business, Kelly Brady-Favaloro teaches gymnastics on Del Monte Avenue with her own baby, 6-month-old Cleo, strapped to her back or chest or playing inside a doughnut-shaped mat that serves as her playpen. Her 3-year-old, Zoey, also makes frequent appearances at the gym.

"There are challenges and headaches whenever you're running a small business, but I love every bit of being a gymnastics coach," she said. "You have to have a passion for the sport, a love for children, and the desire to be a teacher. I usually get home at 8:30 or 9 at night."

## Ninjas and tots

That genetic oddity — traces of gymnastics in the DNA — also can be found in the doctor and the teacher. Meyer admits she can't pass a trampoline today without performing a backflip. Tyner frequently turns a spontaneous cartwheel while walking through Isleton Elementary School.

Rising Star persevered through coronavirus shutdowns and restrictions with internet classes in March, outdoor workouts in May, small pods, social distancing, and masks during indoor classes in July. Nowadays classes are held in a 28-by-60-foot tent in the parking lot.

"As coaches, we eat, sleep and breathe gymnastics, so the shutdowns have been hard on us, too," Brady-Favaloro said. "We missed our connection with the kids, but got creative and found ways to continue teaching, either indoors or outdoors."

Rising Star's classes include Ninja Zone (ages 3-11, combining skills of parkour, free-running, martial arts and acrobatics), Parent/Tot, preschool and recreational gymnastics, tumbling and trampoline, and sports agility. A virtual learning support camp, led by a credentialed teacher, begins in September.

Additional information about Rising Star Gymnastics can be found on its website at [risingstargym.net](http://risingstargym.net) or by calling (831) 375-9335.

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# NURSE

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while she has visited a therapist. Also, the hospital provides the nurses with a Tranquility Room. "It's a little relaxation space with dim lights, essential oils and peaceful music," she said.

Fitzpatrick said it's a big help for nurses when people remind them how important the work they do is.

"What really helps me is when people acknowledge the work we are doing, and people ask me how I'm doing," she said. "It's hard for people to understand when you're not there — if you know a nurse, reach out and thank them."

Fitzpatrick is looking forward to one day returning to the ranks of those who aren't working so hard.

"Not to shame anybody or make them feel guilty, but I wish I could binge-watch shows or read books," she said.

Despite the challenges, Fitzpatrick still has passion for what she does for a living.

"I feel very strongly about being a nurse," she said. "I love my job."

## Thankful to work here

As bad as things are right now, Fitzpatrick said she's very thankful she's working at one of the two hospitals in Salinas. She also noted the hospitals are "desperate" for nurses right now.

"I worked in New Jersey in April and May," she recalled. "It was overcrowded. There wasn't enough personal protective equipment. It was unsafe to be a nurse."

In sharp contrast, Fitzpatrick said she feels much safer at Salinas Valley Memorial.

"I feel so supported," she said. "If I got coronavirus and got sick, I'd want to be at SVMH."

Fitzpatrick said it's likely her employment at the local hospital will be extended, which she welcomes. She also enjoys living in downtown Carmel, where she shares a house with another nurse who works in SVMH's emergency room. "I love it here," she said.

While much of the what the nurses face each day is grim, there are also brief moments that remind them of the humanity they share with their patients. Fitzpatrick shared a recent story.

"We had a young man who was a Covid patient, and it was his birthday," she added. "The nurses decided we were going to do something for him. We called the cafeteria and ordered a birthday cake. We made balloons out of our gloves. We made a 'Happy Birthday' sign and posted it

on his window. One of the nurses gowned up and brought him the cake, while the other nurses came to the window and sang him happy birthday. At that exact moment, his family was on the phone with a doctor, and they could hear us singing 'Happy Birthday' in the background. The young man was so overjoyed — everyone was crying."

# PENALIZED

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Jones was elected to the Seaside City Council in 2016. In March 2018, she filed her intention to run for mayor that year. However, the FPPC said that Jones and Gibson, instead of separating the campaigns, "attempted to re-designate the committee and campaign bank account for the 2018 mayoral campaign with an amended statement of organization," and filed it with the state.

The California Secretary of State returned the paperwork and instructed Jones and Gibson to form a new committee and bank account for her 2018 mayoral run. The pair, however, never did that.

Jones and Gibson, who were married at the time, also failed to timely file semi-annual campaign statements and contribution reports in 2018 for two late \$1,000 donations from the Democratic Women of Monterey County and William Weigle. Jones raised a total of \$21,173.71 for her 2018 campaign.

## \$5K fine

Though the FPPC enforcement division could have recommended a \$15,000 penalty for the three violations, it recommended a third of that. The FPPC's nonpartisan five-member commission will consider the penalty at a Jan. 21 meeting in Sacramento.

Jones and Gibson "agree to the issuance of the decision and order" and the penalty amount, the FPPC document says.

The agency's enforcement division said it did not find evidence of "any intention to conceal, deceive or mislead," and that the "violations seem to have been negligent at best, particularly since Jones was an experienced candidate who should have known about the filing obligations."

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# Editorial

## The vaccination debacle

IT TOOK just a few months after the emergence of the coronavirus for not one, but several, vaccines to be developed, approved and manufactured to fight it — something that may not only be the most important thing to happen in many of our lifetimes, but may even be considered a modern miracle.

The implementation of the vaccination program in Monterey County, however, has been an epic disaster.

At the beginning of the year, we used this space to ask people to be patient about getting their shots. Not everybody can be at the front of the line, we said. It takes time to get these things out to the public, we observed. Count your blessings, we counseled. We hereby reverse that advice. Now is the time to speak your mind and demand action.

Nothing is more important than getting vaccines into as many arms as possible, and as quickly as possible — not only for everyone's personal health, but for the survival of our economy. Unfortunately, in this county, the people we've entrusted with responsibility for organizing and carrying out this epically vital task not only seem completely incapable of doing it, they don't even seem to realize how important it is.

Monterey County has about 450,000 residents. To bring the epidemic to its knees within six months, at least 10,000 people a week need to be inoculated here. Sure, not that much vaccine is available yet, but it soon will be. Is there a plan in place to carry out so many vaccinations in such a short period of time? If there is, it's the county's best-kept secret. We're not even sure who's in charge of the effort — or what they're doing to prepare for it.

Is it health officer Dr. Ed Moreno? Is it county administrator Charles McKee? The Office of Emergency Services? Maybe the board of supervisors itself? While the public anxiously waits for the pandemic to abate, these officials are, for all meaningful purposes, silent, except for the occasional, rote expressions of determination or infantile reassurances of solidarity.

Here's 5th District Supervisor Mary Adams in an email to her constituents Wednesday:

"While I continue to have hope for a better year ahead, we continue to find ourselves in the midst of an unprecedented surge in Covid-19 cases and hospitalizations in California and across the country. As frustrating as this feels right now, we will make it through this difficult time."

And then, without a word about when and where vaccinations might be available for the people who elected her, or what she's doing to make sure they are, she went on to ask for medical professionals who could volunteer with the county's vaccination effort.

Really, Ms. Adams? A year into the epidemic, months after it was obvious that vaccines were coming soon, and almost a month after they started arriving, that's the best you can do?

Dr. Moreno's track record is already dismal enough that if he were fired immediately, it wouldn't be soon enough. Failing to control the county's coronavirus hotspots — or even trying to, as far as we can see — is reason enough, in our opinion. Almost as bad is his ineptitude at explaining to the public what he's up to and why he's doing it, along with his obvious lack of interest in listening to criticism or improving.

Gov. Gavin Newsom admitted two weeks ago that the state was doing a very poor job of getting people vaccinated — but at least he responded by loosening the restrictions on who qualified. In this county, the situation is much worse, but nobody seems to care, much less act.

Where will the leadership come from to change this abysmal situation?

## BEST of BATES



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### 'Time for Moreno to go'

Dear Editor,

For the benefit of Monterey county and its long-suffering small business sector, it is time for Ed Moreno to go. As said so eloquently in The Pine Cone's editorial last week. Several months ago, I sent a letter to Dr. Moreno asking him to take a more active leadership in a county wide virus testing program. No reply. I then emailed county health. No reply.

Monterey County received its first vaccines in mid-December. We have yet to receive a written plan of distribution. Nor have we been given any information on subsequent receipts or numbers of first vaccinations. This information is critical to those first responders and senior citizen associations planning vaccination programming.

Accountability has now passed from county health to its masters. The Monterey County Board of Supervisors is ultimately responsible for this dereliction of duty to

the public. Moreno has been a colossal failure, and if the board, in executive session, does not remove the head of the health department, it is complicit in the damage being done, day by day, to the public and the small business community.

People are dying! Action needs to be taken. The time is now.

**Roland Martin, Carmel Valley**

### Coupla things

Dear Editor,

First, A big shout out to Dale Byrne (Carmel Cares) and Tim Allen (Carmel Gives) for their great work feeding the hungry and the hands-on labor they're spearheading around town. Way to go! You guys are awesome! Second, after reading last week's editorial, "The Most Important," I was reminded of Captain Queeg. Remember Captain Queeg from "The Caine Mutiny"? When the USS Caine encounters a typhoon, Queeg appears to have a mental breakdown & a mutiny takes place. For us, our "typhoon" is the "Covid-19 Lockdown" & our "Captain Queeg" is Dr. Moreno. Our Carmel City Council should start a "Mutiny" by openly defying Dr Moreno's (and Governor Newsom's) lockdown order by saying, "Since there's little to no Covid-19 in Carmel, we are reopening our village for business."

**Michael McWalters, Carmel**

### New Year's accolades

Dear Editor,

Bravo to Carmel City Council for denying the request to close Scenic. And to not say what we all felt, that it was an out-

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# Romance, intrigue, politics and a pandemic — with a side of drama

FOR NEARLY 20 years before moving to Carmel, Edward Kuster was a successful attorney in Los Angeles, which had been his home since he was 8. He established his law practice there in 1902 along with his young bride, Una Call, whom he met in 1901 while both were attending UC Berkeley. She was a freshman and he was finishing his postgraduate studies.

Una was active in helping Kuster build his career and participated in their active social life, taking up golf and sharing his enthusiasm in the early automobile craze. He was a director of the Automobile Club of Southern California and represented them and its members, transforming the early laws of the road.

Una resumed her undergraduate studies in 1906, enrolling at the University of Southern California with plans to further assist Kuster's legal practice, but with him deep into his legal work and her studies keeping her occupied, their lives became less intertwined. At USC, Una began a relationship with a younger student named John Robinson Jeffers. They met in 1906, but it was not until after she completed her initial degree in 1909 and began to pursue her Master of Arts that they began to become more than friends.

### Time abroad to think

When Kuster learned of the affair, he approached it logically. The evidence is clear that they he and his wife cared deeply about each other. Rather than rashly ending the marriage, the couple agreed to a time-out. She would go to Europe for a

year without either Kuster or Jeffers and contemplate what she truly desired, and he would support any decision she made. After a brief visit to her parents in Michigan, Una sailed from New York on April 30, 1912.

The early letters between Kuster and Una seemed to indicate their love was going to restore the marriage, but by July, Kuster was ready to call it quits.

### Love in bloom

While Una was still abroad, Kuster filed for divorce, claiming desertion and cruelty — the latter, he said, stemmed from her education in “new-thought literature which apparently killed the maternal spirit ... a modern, social revolution, a literature of discontent with modern conditions, particularly with reference to the law of the husband.” She received the papers in Europe with a 14-page cover letter from Kuster.

Despite the harsh accusations, they remained friends. Una returned to California

in October, and Kuster arranged to pay for her enrollment at Berkeley to get her teaching certificate. She instead decided that, once the divorce was final, she would marry Jeffers.

It unfolded that Kuster had also taken a new love interest and that had accelerated the divorce action. He first met the much younger Edith Emmons in February 1912 at an automobile rally he attended at Bakersfield.

She was then the vivacious, 16-year-old daughter of former State Sen. E. J. Emmons, who had a successful legal practice, despite a brief stint in prison. While a senator, he was caught in a bribe trap in 1905. An appeal of his conviction failed, but he was fully pardoned in 1910 by Gov. James Gillette.

Edith was a bit of a local celebrity having studied acting in the East and been elected to portray the Goddess of Liberty at Bakersfield's 1911 Fourth of July celebration. The 1912 auto rally was also a gathering of motorcycles and airplanes. Edith's celebrity continued as she became the first female to see Ba-



Edward Kuster circa 1920

## History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

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# She wasn't Annie Oakley or Mozart, but she turned out fine

NEITHER OF Linda Elling's childhood dreams came to fruition. Her goal of becoming a cowgirl was obstructed by geography — she grew up in suburban Detroit — and her other aspiration was dashed by the relentless march of time.

“I wanted to be Mozart, but I discovered at age 7 that I was too old,” said Elling, a versatile painter whose work hangs at the Carmel Valley Art Association, Venture Gallery in Monterey, and Salinas Valley Art Gallery. “Some child-education expert told my mother that children shouldn't begin music lessons until they're 9.”

Her Austrian rival, of course, had already written a concerto by age 5, and played at the Bavarian court in Munich before he turned 6.

So, she learned early that life can be cruel, but picked up the pieces of her shattered dreams while still in grade school after viewing a Leonardo da Vinci exhibit at the Detroit Institute of Art.

“I don't recall exactly how old I was at that time, but I remember that the exhibit amazed me,” she said.

### Art takes a back seat

Her artistic instincts showed up in church, where her mother equipped her with pencil and paper so she could draw instead of fidget. It was also evident during her school's twice-weekly art and music classes, and when she was a junior high school student, drawing pencil pictures from TV Guide covers, which led to portraits of her friends. Whenever an art teacher needed a student demonstration, Linda often got recruited.

“I got a lot of support and encouragement along the way, which I think was very important to me,” said Elling, who went on to study art at Henry Ford Community College, but pushed it to a back burner when she decided it probably wasn't a viable career path.

reer path.

“The Detroit area is a place where people tried to be practical — girls grew up to be teachers, or nurses, or whatever — and I just didn't see how I was going to make a living as an artist,” she said. “But commercial art was too exacting for me, so I went into retail.”

And that's where she stayed for most of her life, working in sales, store management, and as a buyer until she retired in 2018 to become a full-time artist at long

last.

“I had a really long retail career, but always did art on the side — pen-and-ink drawings in the early years, and painting from then on,” said Elling, whose abilities with the paintbrush leapt to new levels after she studied fine arts and studio arts at The College of Santa Fe (1980-83) under David Outhwaite, and multiple workshops (usually five days long) from Lee Rommel, Ray Vinella, Janet Lippincott and Ted Gorschner.

“I fell in love with art long before I moved there, but in Santa Fe I was exposed much more to other artists and wonderful galleries,” said Elling, who lived there for 22 years. “I found so many people who were living and breathing art — people who were making a living at it — and it was exhilarating.”

She also exhibited her work in a gallery in Santa Fe, while paying her bills in the retail industry, full-time and part-time, but eventually decided to relocate for a better job opportunity.

“My brother (Ron Heabler) moved from Santa Fe to Monterey, where he went into the real estate business,” she said. “He sold a house there to the general manager of Macy's, so I came to Monterey for an interview and got hired. That's what brought me here.”

### A meeting at work

Macy's furniture gallery is where she met a fellow employee, John “Chris” Elling, whom she married in 2005. He's with her today in the home they bought the following year outside of Greenfield, where the scenery of South Monterey County provides inspiration for her creativity.

“The vineyards, mountains, and agricultural fields are constant sources of inspiration,” said Elling, whose renderings include flora and fauna, landscapes and seascapes, figures and architecture, all done in styles that range from realism to impressionism. “I've really only

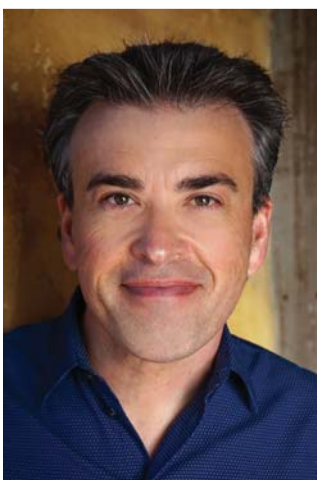
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Linda Elling set art aside for a “practical” career in retail, but came back to it after she retired.

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Their engagement was announced a year later. Kuster's divorce from Una was final on Aug. 1, 1913. He and Edith married just an hour later in Bakersfield. Una and Jeffers married the next day in Tacoma, Wash.

The new Mr. and Mrs. Kuster enjoyed an extended honeymoon at La Jolla while their home near the San Gabriel Country Club was completed. They moved in at the end of 1913 and he commuted to his office in Los Angeles.

The catalyst for the next change in Kuster's life was the 1914 marriage of famed dancers Ted Shawn and Ruth St. Denis. They came to Kuster for assistance in establishing a new dance school, and Kuster created the necessary papers to form Denishawn, which for the next two decades became the premier dance school in the country. For Kuster, the incident revived his interest in the stage, amplified by his young wife's interest in dance. Edith became one of Denishawn's leading dancers.

Kuster leased a studio apartment in Los Angeles so he could stay in town when Edith traveled with Denishawn. He resumed practicing his cello and, as his landlord was the stage manager at the Majestic Theater, Kuster began joining him backstage and occasionally taking small roles in the productions. He did not use his real name and always wore costumes and facial hair so there would never be any risk of being recognized. As a distinguished attorney and a member of Los Angeles society, his appearance on stage would have been unseemly.

### Unabashed

Kuster continued as a key representative of the automobile club and helped refine the laws of the road. As an auto enthusiast, in early 1915, Kuster purchased the first Scripps-Booth roadster in Los Angeles. In July 1915, while driving his father to La Jolla for a getaway, his 73-year-old father died.

Although Kuster was saddened, the death eliminated his concern of embarrassing his father, and Kuster became more active on stage. Instead of just being a season ticket holder for the Los Angeles Symphony, in 1916, he began

performing as a cellist.

With the outbreak of World War I, Denishawn, with the assistance of the Kusters, provided numerous benefits for the Red Cross and shows for the soldiers. In September 1918, Kuster was appointed to a military post with the YMCA in Europe, but before he could be deployed, he was stricken with the Spanish Flu — that era's pandemic. His physician prescribed outdoor rest and sent him to Hawaii to recover.

### Fresh start

The break did him well. Edith paired up with Ruth Austin, another star student of Denishawn, to perform in the islands. Edith remained in Hawaii with Austin when Kuster returned to Los Angeles. The lovely pair of dancers, both in their early 20s, enjoyed the attention of many male admirers.

The Kusters agreed to a separation in September 1919. Kuster's success as a lawyer, together with his family inheritance, made him wealthy, adding some tension to Edith's demands. Kuster left the grind of his legal practice, and when not dealing with the settlement, focused on the business of the Los Angeles Symphony as its executive secretary. Their divorce was final in March 1920.

It is not clear where Kuster met Ruth McDowell. I suspect it was at Denishawn, as the January 1920 census showed she was a stenographer at a Los Angeles dance studio. Ruth seems to have joined Kuster in Hawaii in September. He played his cello in a concert there, and the two sailed back to San Francisco together on Nov. 3, 1920. She soon became the third Mrs. Kuster. He was 42; she was 23.

He was largely finished with his legal practice, so Kuster and his new bride decided to start a completely new life in Carmel — a place where they could engage in their shared interest in the theater arts. Next week's column will address their early years in Carmel.

# SHRINK

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pervisor, and require that Samuel and other doctors who work for the state prison system are subject only to "control and supervision of a licensed California physician."

Spokesmen for the CDCR and prison declined to comment on the lawsuit. Borba is not a defendant in the lawsuit, which only names the prison system as a defendant.

# ARTIST

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done one agricultural piece so far — it was a harvest painting — but I really want to do a series of those.

"I see those people as unsung heroes because of their work ethic, the long hours, the weather they endure, and everything else they deal with," she said. "The sheer consistency of their energy is totally amazing to me, and I admire them so much."

Elling also has plans to make more frequent trips to the Monterey Peninsula to paint the scenery and the architecture, and also intends to revisit her previous source of inspiration, Santa Fe, where she and Chris still own a condo, after the coronavirus pandemic recedes.

"I feel extremely fortunate that I'm able to do what I love to do," she said.

Elling's artwork and additional information can be found online at [lindaelling.com](http://lindaelling.com), and viewed at Carmel Valley Art Association (2 Chambers Lane in the Carmel Valley Village) and Venture Gallery (260 Alvarado St. in Monterey).

# FELON

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Borup, meanwhile, was wanted in Monterey County for shoplifting and possession of a controlled substance. She was on probation, too, he said.

In the U-Haul, Leon found numerous driver's licenses and credit cards not belonging to either of them, spent ammunition and a loaded 9 mm handgun, burglary tools, a pry bar, gloves, burnt foil and plastic tubes for heroin, and a syringe. "He had meth in his pocket," Simpson added.

David then reportedly admitted he'd been stealing mail while Borup waited in the rented truck. Both are homeless but had been renting the Airbnb on Cypress Way for more than a month, according to Simpson, probably paying for it with stolen money. David said a friend had told him how easy it is to alter checks and that he'd changed the amounts to the \$700s not because it would be easy to change a "1" to a "7," but because "that's his favorite number," Simpson said. "He needed the money for Christmas presents for his daughter in the Philippines."

David claimed he had the gun for protection because he's homeless and that he'd bought it from someone in San Francisco. It has not been reported stolen. And David said he didn't steal the credit cards and licenses — "he just collects them when he finds them," Simpson said.

From the contents of the truck, Leon identified 16 different victims, so far.

Borup was cited for drug charges, mail theft and misappropriation of found property and released. David was taken into custody for being a felon in possession of a firearm, carrying a loaded gun in a vehicle, forgery, identity theft, and drug possession and other charges — as well as all the outstanding arrest warrants from other counties. He has since been released on bail.

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# VACCINES

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“probably be looking at much larger clinics for larger groups of people” to vaccinate “hopefully over 1,000 people per day.” He did not say where those clinics might be.

On Wednesday, when asked if the county would have enough staff to man the larger vaccination sites, Moreno downplayed the idea.

“I think I mentioned we could definitely use more sites to vaccinate more individuals, but we will schedule appointments at clinics based on the resources that we have,” he said. “So, if we have more staff, if we have more resources and more vaccine, and larger facilities, and support for security or police and the other resources that we need, then we will go ahead and ramp up to the number of appointments that our resources permit.”

Office of Emergency Services manager Gerry Malais told The Pine Cone that the county is looking at some larger vaccination venues and has some “preliminary ideas” on where they might be located. But he said it’s “too soon” to reveal them to the public.

Carmel Valley Manor President and CEO Jay Zimmer said that staff and residents, which number nearly 460, will receive the first doses of the vaccine Saturday and Sunday, and the second shot three weeks later.

“The residents are very excited,” Zimmer told The Pine Cone. “Staff members are a bit more reserved, but we’ve had very few people decline — less than a handful between staff and residents.”

Newsom said on Wednesday that those 65 and older would be in the next group to be vaccinated, but he did not say when that effort would be launched. The county health department, Moreno said, would partner with local healthcare providers for vaccination opportunities for seniors, but details would have to wait.

The health department said this week that the unreliable vaccine supply makes it impossible to put a date on when those in that age group will start being vaccinated.

The California Department of Public Health on Jan. 9 announced that Monterey County’s stay-home order, imposed last month, would be extended indefinitely, based on the severe shortage of available ICU beds in the Greater Bay Area region, of which Monterey County is a part.

## Farmworker vax plan

County administrative officer Charles McKee told the supervisors that the county health department is working with agricultural employers, labor unions and healthcare workers for a farmworker vaccination program. Supervisor Luis Alejo asked county health to bring a proposal back to the board in two weeks, which McKee said they would try to do.

Alejo noted “additional challenges” in vaccinating farmworkers due to language barriers, the sheer size of the industry and immigration statuses. He suggested a database where agricultural employees could register to be immunized. There needs to be “some real logistics and thought behind having a successful rollout,” he said.

## Big Sur emergency responders get shots

By CHRIS COUNTS

CAPT. MARCUS Foster of Big Sur Fire was set to receive his coronavirus vaccination shot Friday at 2 p.m. at the Big Sur Health Center. But first he had to respond to an emergency call.

“There was a non-injury accident way down on the South Coast,” Foster said. “I managed to make it back before the health center closed.”

So what did an injection of Moderna vaccine feel like? “My arm was pretty sore,” he said. “Just about everybody said the same thing — it wasn’t horrible, but it was worse than a regular flu shot. But the pain went away after the first day.”

Foster said he’s set to get his second shot of the vaccine in 28 days. He said firefighters and other emergency responders really need the shots.

“Eighty percent of our calls are medicals,” Foster said. “And 80 percent of those are people from out of the area. A lot of them are coming from coronavirus epicenters. I can’t tell you how many say they’re from Los Angeles. There’s a lot of road tripping going on right now. Such travel makes us very susceptible.”

When Foster and his colleagues approach someone who needs their help, “hardly ever” are the people wearing a mask, he said.

In fact, emergency workers recently had to provide a mask to a hiker who broke her ankle — she didn’t even bring one to Big Sur. Facing such cavalier attitudes, they’ve been wearing masks, glasses and gloves. “That’s why it’s important we get vaccinated,” he said

Foster said he’s never seen Highway 1 in Big Sur as busy as it was over the recent holidays.

“The amount of illegal camping was insane,” he added. “With nobody enforcing the stay-at-home order, there were tents and RVs in every turnout.”

County supervisor Chris Lopez, who, with Alejo, requested a farmworker vaccine plan, added farmworkers would not move ahead of other groups.

“That’s not what we are trying to do at all,” Lopez said. “We are trying to make sure there’s a robust plan around those unique challenges.”

Underscoring Alejo’s comments, 5th District supervisor Mary Adams said her region, the Monterey Peninsula, has a lot of the same issues in the hospitality industry “with the food workers who are undocumented and are difficult to find.” She also pointed to her constituents, many of whom are 75 years and older.

“It’s going to be really important that we take a look at how we are able to ensure that we reach those people, and they have an easy way of getting vaccinated also,” Adams said.

There are 207 people hospitalized in the county because of the virus. That figure did not change from the day before.

Moreno told the supervisors Tuesday that the county is continuing to see a “high number” of coronavirus cases, and big increases in several areas, including the small town of San Lucas, which had a 39.4 percent increase in its test positivity rate since last November. A Salinas zip code, 93906, had the highest case rate, 122.4 per 100,000 people in the county — an 11.6 percent increase from November to December.

“These are significant increases in test positivity rates in these particular zip codes, another indication that transmission has increased tremendously,” Moreno said.

## Jumping the line

Elected officials and healthcare professionals continued this week to try to clear up confusion over the county’s vaccine clinics, where currently only healthcare workers are being immunized. Some dentists, doctors, dialysis clinics, urgent care centers workers and others who now qualify for the vaccine have inappropriately forwarded email messages about the vaccination clinics to hundreds of people not eligible for the vaccine.

That led people hoping to skip the line and others who were merely confused to be turned away at a vaccine clinic at Cal State Monterey Bay. Further confusion ensued when the state emailed links about the clinic at CSUMB to members of the public instead of only healthcare workers.

A Pine Cone reader said a friend forwarded him an email Tuesday about setting up vaccination appointments via the state’s vaccination website.

“I went to the site and reserved an appointment for Wednesday, despite not being eligible,” he told The Pine

Cone. “Later, I saw the announcement I shouldn’t be vaccinated and I canceled my appointment. But how many other ineligible people showed up? Were they turned away or vaccinated? How many vaccines are going to waste because the state doesn’t screen people?”

Supervisor Lopez urged people to not try to skip the line. “We need to make sure people in the correct tiers are getting access to this vaccine so they can be the ones to administer it in the next phase,” he said.

Meanwhile, The Pine Cone was unable to confirm an allegation that a Salinas medical clinic authorized to immunize people with the Covid-19 vaccine had let some vaccine doses spoil. The clinic did not respond to a message, and neither did Supervisor Alejo. It’s unclear if county health is tracking the number of spoiled vaccines.

Sharen Carey, the executive director for the Big Sur Health Center, which received 100 doses of the vaccine, said they don’t let any of it go to waste.

“If we have vaccinated everyone on our healthcare and first-responder list and we end up with extra doses in a vial, rather than destroy the vaccine, we offer it to our most vulnerable patients first,” Carey told The Pine Cone.

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# ADA

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units, constitute “extensive renovations” that shouldn’t have been approved over the counter and “would constitute the expansion of an existing nonconforming structure, which is impermissible.”

Neighbor Rich Marcogliese described the proposed ramps as “large, elevated structures.”

“Noises from the theater are incompatible with the residential character of the neighborhood,” Lorca told commissioners. “What’s got to be remembered is it’s not just the noise, it’s the vibration.” He said residents have repeatedly called the police and the city, and used their own decibel meters, to complain about noise over the past 20 years, but rarely get a response.

The neighbors also objected to the staircase on the north side leading to Casanova Street and open railings along the ramps that might allow people to see into their properties and won’t screen noise. They demanded exit doors on the north side be equipped with alarms to dis-

courage their use except during emergencies and said the new air conditioners need to be studied for noise, exhaust and vibration impacts. The group also insisted the city require landscaping to screen the theater on the north and south sides. The neighbors suggested PacRep allow an expert hired by them to go through the theater and give advice on sound attenuation. They also said the project requires an environmental study.

The neighbors are just looking for “some reasonable and sensible mitigation,” Lorca said. “This isn’t a crusade against the theater.”

### No study needed

Assistant planner Evan Kort said the ramps, staircase and HVAC equipment “do not generate traffic, circulation or noise impacts,” and are therefore exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The project is too small to require a landscape plan, he said, and he putting alarms on the doors might confuse people trying to exit during an emergency. He explained that the additional air conditioners will not create a lot more noise.

Kort recommended commissioners approve the plans and deny the neighbors’ appeal.

Several PacRep board members and supporters defended the plans and said they have already done a lot to mitigate noise.

“I look at the hearing tonight with some dismay that a project to bring a venerable institution of our community into current ADA compliance is met with such nitpicking,” attorney Zan Henson said. “The theater has done its best to accommodate these various concerns while still acknowledging this is a public space in the middle of a residential neighborhood.”

PacRep executive director Stephen Moorer said he changed the shows’ start time to 7:30 p.m. instead of 8 in order to get everyone out of the neighborhood earlier, for one thing, and that “the fences are too high” for there to be any privacy impacts from the ramps.

Commissioner Stephanie Locke thanked Kort for his thorough review of the issues and noted the theater was built 10 years before Carmel became a city in 1916. “While the theater is technically a nonconforming use in today’s planning world, it did predate a number of the residences that surround it and the city’s zoning regulations,” she said. “Everyone who lives in that neighborhood had knowledge of the theater’s characteristics,” including that it draws people who make noise when coming and going.

“The Healys and the Marcoglieses knew this when they purchased their homes in 1999 and 2017,” she said.

### ‘Amazed at the vitriol’

Commissioner Gail Lehman was bothered by Lorca’s description of the Golden Bough as “inconsistent with the quiet residential setting that surrounds it.”

“This is like building a house in a forest and then wanting the trees to be cut down because they block the light in your house,” she said, adding that she was “dismayed at the neighbors” fighting improvements at the theater, as they have done repeatedly over the years.

“I’m amazed that the vitriol is directed at ADA improvements,” she said. “That seems to be the most callous of all, and I absolutely support the PacRep’s needs for these ramps.”

Commissioner Chris Bolton said he was “dismayed by the acts of the neighbors and the attorney involved in this.”

“I think this is kind of ridiculous,” he said. The theater and the city have little choice in providing legally required access for people with disabilities. “We’re here to discuss ADA ramps that bring this theater into compliance with laws that we must as a city comply with.”

Chair Michael LePage commented that PacRep “has gone to extensive work to try to add soundproofing to the interior, but that is not part of this application.”

Lehman made the motion to approve the plans, with a new condition that PacRep “explore” options for additional screening on the northern fence line, and the rest of the commission agreed.



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# DINING

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during gatherings, while restaurants and bars accounted for 1.43 percent of the cases.

N.Y. Gov. Andrew Cuomo “said when you ban all restaurant dining, you in fact increase the number of Covid cases,” she told the supervisors Jan. 5. “The reality is you’re forcing people to come together indoors when we can take control of the outdoors and make it safe for people to dine.”

She also noted recent court cases in Los Angeles, San Diego and Sacramento counties that successfully argued the state has no proof coronavirus spreads among outdoor diners, and while they’re now tied up in the appeals courts, “it’s something for all of us to follow and be aware of.”

Chicourrat acknowledged the county’s hands are tied when it comes to the ban on all sit-down dining, since it’s imposed by the state, but she encouraged the supervisors to allow picnicking in parklets.

“There is no science to back up the outdoor closures,” she told The Pine Cone this week. “It would be good to get that out to the community so they understand that hospitality is not the issue. If you think about it logically, there were a lot of tourists in Carmel this summer, and yet we did not have a spike in our community.” The city continues to have one of the lowest infection rates in the county.

Chicourrat didn’t get much encouraging feedback from the supervisors, though. “I think they run from one fire to the next, and now the next fire is vaccine distribution,” she said. “They never want to solve any of the problems, they just want to keep running from them.”

The MCHA estimates a \$1.8 billion loss in the local hospitality industry due to the pandemic.

### P.G. lobbies state

Moe Ammar, president of the Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce, said he is emailing Gov. Gavin Newsom and State Secretary of Public Health Dr. Mark Ghaly

weekly regarding allowing outdoor dining.

“We call and register concerns,” he said. “We also lobby our local elected officials to express our frustration and request them to lobby the state.”

He said he has repeatedly asked 5th District Monterey County Supervisor Mary Adams to “push the state to open outdoor dining.”

Ammar noted that the mayor and city council in Mill Valley have asked the state to allow an exemption for dining outside at restaurants. “Her position is that the state cannot prove that outdoor dining is causing the spread of Covid-19,” he said of Mill Valley Mayor Sashi McEntee. “We are supporting Mill Valley.”

In the meantime, Ammar encouraged people to visit Pacific Grove, order takeout, and enjoy it in any of the many public parks and spaces throughout the city.

On Wednesday, Ric Encarnacion, acting chief of the county’s environmental health bureau, announced he created a “dashboard” showing which of the area’s many

restaurants, markets and other businesses regulated by his department have submitted required Covid-related paperwork to the health department, and which have not — and there are hundreds.

### Enforcement update

Encarnacion also provided an update on the businesses that have been cited for violating the shutdown and other rules, like having employees wear masks, including Plaza Linda in Carmel Valley Village and the Bagel Bakery at the mouth of the valley. Most are now complying with the rules, he said, but two have not. Aloha Coffee in Monterey had its health permit revoked for continuing to serve people in violation of the shutdown order, and Jeff LeTowt at the Tuck Box on Dolores has been notified that his health permit is suspended and may be revoked, as he has continued to serve people at outside tables.

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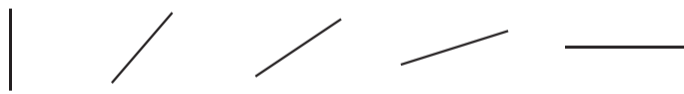


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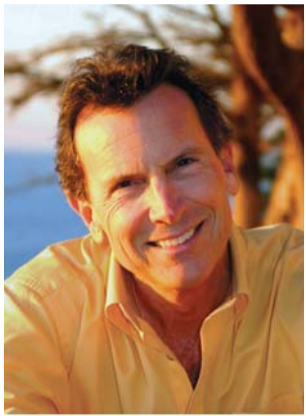
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dles, they provided a soft, subtle ambiance to the executive mansion, heightening the holiday feeling. Mrs. Nixon had the Marine band play Christmas music until the very last visitor left, and we joined complete strangers in singing

took the stairs as they traveled the prescribed route, but our private guide led us to an elevator situated in the White House kitchen, where Mom, a world-class cook, chatted up the kitchen staff and offered them cooking tips on how to prepare good meals for the president.

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By JERRY GERVASE

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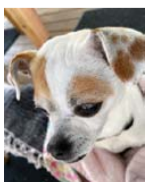
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## Carmel Valley (con't.)

**148 Del Mesa Carmel — \$740,000**  
Honore Lau and Bartlett Trust to Phyllis Martin  
APN: 015-448-006

**133 Del Mesa Carmel — \$825,000**  
Cynthia Healy and Foster Trust to James and Rosemary Jepson  
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**27886 Mercurio Road — \$1,265,000**  
Deborah and Stephen Shefler to Zachary and Amanda Freedman  
APN: 169-081-015

**25390 Tierra Grande Drive — \$1,400,000**  
Bert and Sonja Taylor to Lisa Faulkner  
APN: 169-361-008



1567 Griffin Road, Pebble Beach — \$3,900,000

**27255 Los Arboles Road — \$1,760,000**  
Tanya Bennett to Todd Weaver and Genevieve Ford  
APN: 169-041-007

**7 Southview Lane — \$2,375,000**  
Shawn and Summer Hennessy to Eric Le Towt  
APN: 187-031-037

## Highway 68

**2969 Highway 68 — \$488,500**  
Monterey Motorsport Park LLC to Case Swenson  
APN: 259-022-034/057

**19312 Creekside Circle — \$515,000**  
Victor and Cynthia Heintzberger to Gabriel Romero  
APN: 161-481-016

**22376 Ortega Drive — \$994,000**  
Alan and Bryna Samuels to Mitchell and Amber Kastros  
APN: 161-312-009

**107 Laguna Place — \$1,169,000**  
Randall and Ann Bispo to Daniel and Chelsea Alameda and Mary Vonnegut  
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# MORE SALES

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## Marina (con't.)

**Abrams Drive — \$1,589,500**  
WC Marina LLC to Vibhu Vivek  
APN: 031-275-038

## Monterey

**125 Surf Way unit 402 — \$800,000**  
Fiduciary Trust International of California to Elias Adamopoulos  
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**125 Surf Way unit 441 — \$830,000**  
Kelli Gillam to Carolyn George  
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45920 Clear Ridge Road, Big Sur — \$1,650,000

**322 Euclid Avenue — \$878,000**  
Jason Morlan to Diane Myers  
APN: 013-252-005

**973 Wainwright Street — \$970,000**  
Donald Fischer to Lisa LeClaire  
APN: 001-352-027

**835 Filmore Street — \$1,025,000**  
Martin Souza to Phil Wenzel  
APN: 001-173-027

**131 Shady Lane — \$1,125,000**  
David Nee to Robert Edwards  
APN: 014-041-029

**457 Pine Street — \$1,160,000**  
Parvaneh LLC to Kwee Krause  
APN: 001-114-018

**830 Dry Creek Road — \$1,235,000**  
Laurel Hotten to Shawn Spano  
APN: 014-031-026

**51 Cuesta Vista Drive — \$1,340,000**  
Rosanne Valenzuela to Gary Thompson  
APN: 001-952-012

## Moss Landing

**152 Monterey Dunes Lane — \$1,275,000**  
Gregory and Violet Wade to Deborah and Michael Butler  
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In her spare time, she enjoys running along our beautiful coastline, cooking, baking, practicing Pilates, and spending time with her husband and two children.

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# POLICE LOG

From page 4A

**Pacific Grove:** Non-injury accident involving an RV and parked vehicles on Forest Avenue.

**Pacific Grove:** Subject fell on the rocks on Ocean View Boulevard.

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29

**Pacific Grove:** Ammunition turned in to the police department lobby for destruction.

**Pacific Grove:** A temporary restraining order was brought to the station to be served.

**Pacific Grove:** Report of battery and trespassing on Ninth Street.

**Carmel area:** Juvenile located on Trevis Way was returned to a guardian.

**Carmel area:** Deputies responded to an alarm at Carmel Center Place.

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Juvenile lost cell phone on the beach.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Wallet with keys attached left in a coffee shop on Ocean west of Lincoln. Phone number for the owner's mother found. Message left.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Residential burglary on Third west of Junipero.

**Pacific Grove:** A 57-year-old male was contacted on Lighthouse Avenue for outstanding warrants for felony vehicle left and multiple counts of possession of unlawful paraphernalia. He resisted officers' commands. Transported to county jail.

**Pacific Grove:** Driver jumped from a moving vehicle on Pine. The empty vehicle hit public property.

**Pacific Grove:** DBF [dead body found] at a David Avenue address.

**Pacific Grove:** An unclaimed package was turned in to the lobby.

**Pebble Beach:** A parcel package was reported stolen from a Bird Rock Road residence.

**Carmel area:** A male was swept off some rocks while fishing near Garrapata Beach. A multi-agency search was conducted for the male, but they were unable to locate him.

**Carmel area:** Theft was reported on Canada Drive.

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Information report taken at Monte Verde and Ocean for a possibly fraudulent transaction.

**Pacific Grove:** Hit-and-run collision on private property on Eardley Avenue resulted in minor damage.

**Pacific Grove:** Fall on public property on Lighthouse.

**Pacific Grove:** Domestic disturbance on Arkwright Court.

**Carmel Valley:** Deceased person located in a vehicle on Lupin Lane.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Traffic stop at Highway 1 and Valley Way at 0127 hours led to

the 40-year-old female Seaside resident being arrested for DUI, battery on a police officer, resisting arrest and violation of felony probation. She was transported to Monterey County Jail.

## NEW YEAR'S DAY

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Juvenile passenger, age 15, was contacted in a vehicle at Ocean and Carpenter at 0302 hours and gave a false name/information to the officer. The juvenile was cited out to a parent.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Hit-and-run reported involving a parked car at Monte Verde and Ocean.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Medication turned in at police station.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Remote control for a garage door found on San Antonio south of Ninth. Remote has writing on it.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Cell phone lost on beach.

**Pacific Grove:** Burglary/forced entry into

See **SHERIFF** page 17RE

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## GERVASE

From page 6RE

"A lot of people don't think so," Helms replied and went on his way.

The décor of the Senate dining room with its impressive chandeliers was elegantly simple. Bean soup was a staple on the menu, and since it was made with beans from Michigan, we had to try it. We were like a couple of star-struck kids trying to see whom we could recognize. I remember seeing Sen. Daniel Inouye from Hawaii and Bill Bradley from New Jersey.

### No excuse

I've been to Washington many times. Among all the historic elements of the city, the Capitol stands out. It is the people's house. It is my house. That is why I was particularly offended when a rabble of jerks invaded it last week. Politics aside, they were deranged interlopers with little sense of the building's historic significance.

The British tried to burn the Capitol in 1814. Fortunately, architect Benjamin Henry Latrobe had used fireproof building materials, including iron, marble, sandstone, zinc and copper. His extensive use of masonry vaulting proved to be practical as well as aesthetic. As a result, the exterior structure survived the fire, and many of the interior spaces remained intact.

Another attack occurred 140 years later

when Puerto Rican nationalists, pretending to be tourists, took seats in the visitors' gallery while the House was in session and fired semiautomatic pistols that wounded five members of Congress. The Capitol may also have been the target of the plane that went down in Pennsylvania on 9/11.

The British, the Puerto Rican nationalists, and Al Qaeda were enemies. This time, the people defiling the Capitol were American citizens. Sadly, the police shot and killed a female intruder who was a former member of our military. For much of 2020, people getting killed by the police spurred violent demonstrations that racked our major cities.

There is no excuse for what happened at the Capitol, and those who can be identified must be prosecuted. Still, it is amazing how many people discovered on January 6 that riots are wrong, when they didn't notice that riots went on for weeks or even months in many cities across the country last year.

Is there some kind of Richter scale to measure the level of violence during protests? Which was worse, the 2020 "mostly" peaceful protests that lay waste to several cities, or the recent protestors at the Capitol? The media seem to think it depends on whether a donkey or an elephant does the protesting. Regardless, if you don't respect the Capitol, stay away. Get out of my house.

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## House Talk

By Paul Brocchini and Mark Ryan

In 2019, we got all excited by the strength of the fourth quarter, usually the slowest part of the year, which rang-up more than \$442 million in sales.

That was a terrific number, but nothing like the end of 2020.

How to explain it? How to foresee what is up next? Those are two perplexing questions.

After the coronavirus hit, local real estate firms began laying off staff and scrambling for PPP funding. The second-quarter slump reflected the crisis. No one saw or prepared for a boom. But in the waning days of June, life reappeared in the market and then, from July on, there was an unprecedented fury of buying.

For people in the real estate industry, it's strange to enjoy so much success in midst of such misery. We all know that the shelter-at-home orders, people working remotely far from their offices and the flight from cities all contributed to the buying spree.

We probably will not know for a few years how to divvy up the reasons for success, but we are living it, and that is good enough for now.

We do not make predictions, but this is how we see the Monterey Peninsula going forward. The Peninsula is far from the madding crowd, yet close enough to the action to be considered "convenient," has a beautiful coastal setting

with a temperate climate, beguiling Carmel, historic Monterey, fashionable Pebble Beach, great golf and hiking, a picturesque bay, incredible cultural and culinary life for a non-metropolitan area, and good schools — all of which add up to a winning combination.

You will never find the Monterey Peninsula in any publication's list of best places to retire because of the affordability issue: It is too expensive, and it keeps getting more so. But the prospective buyers who land on our shores seem not to suffer from lack of funds.

In our careers, we have never had a case of buyer's remorse. What we have seen is "non-buyer's remorse" — folks who were looking at property here a few years ago and decided it was too expensive, even though they could afford it.

"Ugh," they say upon their return. "Look at the prices today!"

■ Million-dollar-plus sales — 70 percent of the market.

■ Average days to sell — down in every market except one, Carmel Highlands.

## One-Year Highlights

■ First time dollar volume topped \$2 billion — up 45 percent.

■ Carmel Highlands dollar volume up 306 percent.

## Ten-Year Highlights

■ Peninsula-wide dollar volume up 193 percent.

■ Carmel-by-the-Sea, Pebble Beach and Seaside median sales prices up more than 100 percent.

It is time to roll out the dictionary of superlatives.

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## Fourth Quarter Highlights

■ Dollar volume — up 72 percent over last year.

■ Median sales prices — up in every market, led by Carmel Highlands at \$3.1 million.

### Median sales prices (dollars)

	2020 (full year)	2019 (Q4)	2020 (Q4)
<b>Carmel-by-the-Sea</b>	2,214,000	1,600,000	2,306,500
<b>Carmel Highlands</b>	2,887,500	1,495,000	3,100,000
<b>Carmel Area</b>	1,855,000	1,667,000	2,010,000
<b>Carmel Valley</b>	1,347,500	965,000	1,511,500
<b>Monterey Area</b>	945,500	792,500	1,030,000
<b>Pacific Grove</b>	1,007,500	1,055,000	1,108,000
<b>Pebble Beach</b>	2,262,500	2,100,000	2,225,000
<b>Seaside</b>	599,000	575,000	631,000

### Monterey Peninsula Home Sales Market Barometer

in escrow		
Date	/listed	%
<b>Carmel-by-the-Sea</b>		
1/1/21	11/27	41%
10/1/20	16/33	48%
7/1/20	14/38	37%
4/1/20	9/34	26%
1/1/20	10/33	30%
<b>Carmel Highlands</b>		
1/1/21	3/15	20%
10/1/20	9/23	39%
7/1/20	10/26	38%
4/1/20	6/23	26%
<b>Carmel Area</b>		
1/1/21	25/61	41%
10/1/20	33/93	35%
7/1/20	29/101	29%
4/1/20	11/73	15%
<b>Carmel Valley</b>		
1/1/21	10/49	20%
10/1/20	14/47	30%
7/1/20	22/56	39%
4/1/20	8/51	16%
<b>Monterey Area</b>		
1/1/21	15/52	29%
10/1/20	29/55	53%
7/1/20	27/71	38%
<b>Pacific Grove</b>		
1/1/21	19/46	41%
10/1/20	26/45	58%
7/1/20	20/55	36%
4/1/20	12/42	29%
<b>Pebble Beach</b>		
1/1/21	14/54	26%
10/1/20	23/69	33%
7/1/20	19/74	26%
4/1/20	5/70	7%
<b>Seaside</b>		
1/1/21	14/24	58%
10/1/20	19/32	59%
7/1/20	18/30	60%

### Distribution of home sales — 4th quarter 2020

	up to \$399K	\$400K- \$699K	\$700K- \$999K	\$1M- \$1.49M	\$1.5M- \$1.99M	\$2M- \$2.99M	\$3M and up
<b>Carmel-by-the-Sea</b>	0	0	2	5	7	9	11
<b>Carmel Highlands</b>	0	0	0	1	2	3	7
<b>Carmel Area</b>	0	0	2	13	19	17	18
<b>Carmel Valley</b>	0	0	7	7	11	4	1
<b>Monterey Area</b>	0	5	28	16	14	3	3
<b>Pacific Grove</b>	0	3	23	20	7	6	1
<b>Pebble Beach</b>	0	0	0	14	11	10	18
<b>Seaside</b>	3	25	13	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	3	33	75	76	71	52	59

### Average days to sell

	2019 (Q4)	2020 (Q4)
<b>Carmel-by-the-Sea</b>	71	33
<b>Carmel Highlands</b>	72	79
<b>Carmel Area</b>	98	73
<b>Carmel Valley</b>	78	30
<b>Monterey Area</b>	74	29
<b>Pacific Grove</b>	54	28
<b>Pebble Beach</b>	139	52
<b>Seaside</b>	43	29

### Gross dollar volume

	2019 (Q4)	2020 (Q4)
<b>Carmel-by-the-Sea</b>	49,474,900	104,244,500
<b>Carmel Highlands</b>	8,795,000	47,915,000
<b>Carmel Area</b>	113,309,475	188,600,410
<b>Carmel Valley</b>	22,277,000	48,200,600
<b>Monterey Area</b>	44,279,035	91,250,051
<b>Pacific Grove</b>	48,131,870	75,808,958
<b>Pebble Beach</b>	125,466,500	180,212,437
<b>Seaside</b>	30,568,388	26,239,238
<b>Total</b>	<b>442,302,168</b>	<b>762,471,194</b>

*These charts are based on data supplied by the Monterey County Association of Realtors Multiple Listing Service. Neither the association nor the MLS guarantees or is responsible for their accuracy. The data may also not reflect all real estate activity in the market. For more information, go to [www.carmelabodes.com](http://www.carmelabodes.com).*

### Number of real estate sales (by quarter)

	2019 (Q2)	2019 (Q3)	2019 (Q4)	2020 (Q1)	2020 (Q2)	2020 (Q3)	2020 (Q4)
<b>Carmel-by-the-Sea</b>	26	25	23	17	14	53	34
<b>Carmel Highlands</b>	6	4	3	2	4	18	13
<b>Carmel Area</b>	42	43	52	48	23	83	69
<b>Carmel Valley</b>	27	16	18	17	15	46	30
<b>Monterey Area</b>	60	58	48	44	34	77	69
<b>Pacific Grove</b>	38	46	42	27	29	69	60
<b>Pebble Beach</b>	32	31	33	15	18	54	53
<b>Seaside</b>	41	42	51	33	24	41	41
<b>Total</b>	272	265	270	203	161	441	369

### Ten-year median sales prices (dollars)

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	1-year chng	10-year chng
<b>Carmel-by-the-Sea</b>	1,100,000	1,287,500	1,200,000	1,325,000	1,652,000	1,416,000	1,595,000	1,691,750	2,195,000	1,912,000	2,214,000	15.8%	101.3%
<b>Carmel Highlands</b>	1,600,000	1,137,000	1,150,000	1,550,000	2,743,602	2,525,000	1,900,000	2,700,000	4,080,000	1,945,000	2,887,500	48.5%	80.5%
<b>Carmel Area</b>	1,045,000	1,082,500	1,020,000	1,205,000	1,300,000	1,100,000	1,350,000	1,300,000	1,597,000	1,600,000	1,855,000	15.9%	77.5%
<b>Carmel Valley</b>	706,000	700,000	800,000	842,250	730,000	795,000	997,500	950,000	1,000,000	1,005,000	1,347,000	34.0%	90.8%
<b>Monterey Area</b>	550,000	522,079	490,000	590,224	685,000	626,750	755,000	800,000	850,000	820,000	945,500	15.3%	71.9%
<b>Pacific Grove</b>	630,000	537,500	558,000	682,500	739,000	780,000	832,000	915,000	925,000	965,000	1,007,500	4.4%	59.9%
<b>Pebble Beach</b>	1,100,000	1,104,000	1,130,000	1,147,500	1,440,000	1,400,000	1,550,000	1,640,000	1,585,000	1,773,975	2,262,500	27.5%	105.7%
<b>Seaside</b>	279,200	299,249	296,000	327,400	358,000	399,500	445,000	495,000	525,000	540,000	599,000	10.9%	114.5%

### Ten-year gross dollar volume

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	1-year chng	10-year chng
<b>Carmel-by-the-Sea</b>	90,902,250	139,401,100	133,720,013	127,322,777	183,227,419	215,137,364	219,545,482	219,081,696	178,327,965	212,600,542	316,016,593	48.6%	247.6%
<b>Carmel Highlands</b>	24,407,625	21,739,500	47,993,000	68,557,000	24,319,990	52,087,500	16,257,200	29,966,500	84,894,100	32,682,500	132,583,374	305.7%	443.2%
<b>Carmel Area</b>	221,469,840	276,650,490	303,606,360	353,095,307	350,787,894	321,678,040	328,456,729	342,395,021	379,788,213	318,366,450	537,512,016	68.8%	142.7%
<b>Carmel Valley</b>	125,311,300	111,961,760	131,614,015	145,647,985	70,670,168	85,550,999	99,636,029	95,355,169	105,538,230	95,609,741	173,436,375	81.4%	38.4%
<b>Monterey Area</b>	72,083,450	78,311,945	93,167,009	119,638,782	167,057,326	205,646,718	184,464,093	232,439,516	235,355,750	222,256,706	288,761,329	29.9%	300.6%
<b>Pacific Grove</b>	90,716,675	90,818,100	120,959,800	126,936,130	138,110,121	149,925,985	138,224,560	167,277,937	156,973,478	171,349,655	219,717,236	28.2%	142.2%
<b>Pebble Beach</b>	159,179,850	151,834,099	203,278,900	201,540,943	291,206,413	246,937,861	306,453,687	270,218,623	359,796,069	390,863,988	485,993,791	24.3%	205.3%
<b>Seaside</b>	71,494,628	71,819,802	57,077,970	63,168,288	70,626,332	74,609,715	88,967,284	101,628,245	102,661,542	100,346,956	85,724,531	-14.6%	19.9%
<b>Total</b>	764,663,368	803,135,696	957,697,054	1,078,584,435	1,112,778,244	1,351,574,182	1,382,005,064	1,458,362,707	1,603,335,347	1,544,076,538	2,239,745,245	45.1%	192.9%



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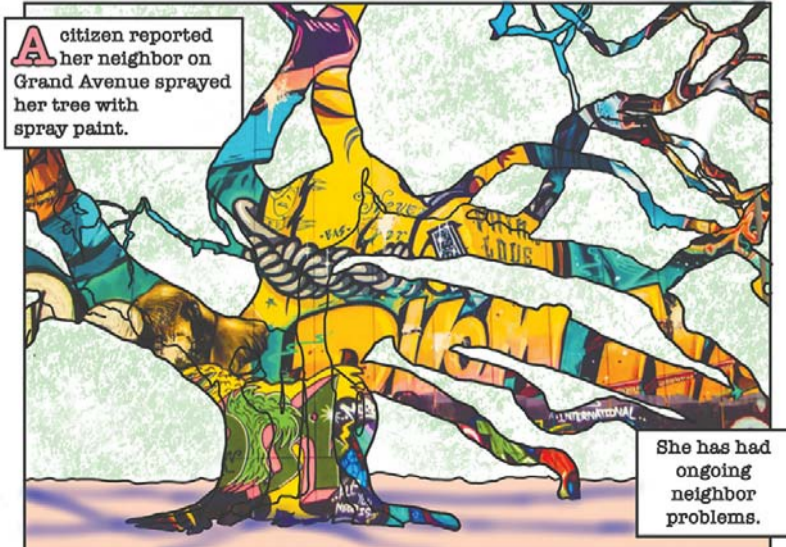
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a building on Central Avenue.

**Carmel area:** Subject placed on a mental health evaluation hold after making suicidal statements.

**Big Sur:** A female was placed on a 72-hour hold for a psychiatric evaluation, due to being a danger to herself.

**Carmel area:** Deputies responded to a verbal dispute between husband and wife on Oliver.

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 2

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A female was warned about trespassing at a business at Camino Real and Eighth after refusing to leave. Female complied and left without incident and was told not to return.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report taken at Monte Verde and Ocean for a lost wallet and car keys.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report taken at Ocean and Junipero for a lost wallet. Owner called back and retrieved the wallet on Jan. 3 at 1430 hours.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A report was taken for a Monterey Street resident regarding fraudulently cashed checks.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a domestic dispute in a vehicle at San Carlos and Ocean.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A driver's license and credit card were found and brought to the PD for safekeeping pending owner pick up.

**Pacific Grove:** Subject placed on a mental health hold.

**Pacific Grove:** Report forwarded from an outside agency regarding fraud.

**Carmel Valley:** Deputies responded to a report of a male breaking into a home on Cachagua Road. The 57-year-old male was arrested for domestic violence.

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 3

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A 46-year-old male was arrested/field cited at Dolores and Ocean at 0056 hours for possession of meth.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Police assisted fire with a hazardous sewage spill at San Carlos and Fifth. County health was notified, and the area was cleaned.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Male with multiple warrants was arrested during a traffic stop at Ocean and Highway 1 at 2208 hours. The

29-year-old male Marina resident had warrants for hit-and-run out of Santa Cruz and San Benito counties. He was cited and released.

**Pacific Grove:** Recovered mail located on Sunset Drive.

**Pacific Grove:** A wallet was found on Laurel Avenue. Message left for the owner. Update: Owner came to the station to retrieve the property.

**Carmel Valley:** Deputies responded to a report of a loud leaf blower on Center Street. The caller was advised it was not a criminal matter. The person became very irate and began cussing and saying anti-Semitic and racist slurs at the deputies.

## MONDAY, JANUARY 4

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vehicle check at Scenic and Ninth at 0336 hours and subsequent search led to the discovery of an open container of marijuana and unprescribed pills. Contraband was taken for destruction. Citations given to both parties in the vehicle, a 20-year-old Ceres resident and an 18-year-old Modesto resident.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Subject lost her driver's license and credit card while she was downtown Sunday evening from 1630 to

1830 hours.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Welfare check requested on an elderly resident on Mission south of Fifth. The subject was found deceased inside his home.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Mountain lion walked past a home on Junipero north of Eighth at 2330 and was caught on video. Resident will forward to animal control.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Ongoing vandalism to plants in the area of Dolores and Third.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Violation of a civil restraining order on Lincoln north of Ninth.

**Pacific Grove:** Dog off leash on Pico.

**Pacific Grove:** Grand theft of coins from a package on Walnut Street.

**Pacific Grove:** Subject placed on a 72 hour hold for mental health evaluation.

**Pacific Grove:** Offensive words were spoken in a public place on Ocean View Boulevard. Case forwarded to Monterey County District Attorney's Office.

**Carmel area:** Deputies responded to a dispute between neighbors on 14th Avenue about an avocado tree being trimmed.

**Pebble Beach:** Lopez Road resident reported the theft of mail. Two outgoing checks were altered and passed. A 37-year-old male and a 33-year-old female were arrested during the investigation.



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**2981 Sloat Road — \$1,275,000**  
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# PUBLIC NOTICES

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20202010  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**Salinas Decal, 14 Arguello Circle, Salinas, CA 93907**, County of Monterey  
Registered Owner(s): Vance C. Irwin, 14 Arguello Circle, Salinas, CA 93907  
This business is conducted by an individual  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable S/ Vance C. Irwin  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on November 03, 2020  
12/25/20, 1/1, 1/8, 1/15/21  
**CNS-3410761#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication dates: Dec. 25, 2020; Jan 1, 8, 15, 2021. (PC1201)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20202222  
Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **LILY HILLS INTERIORS, 24544 Camino del Monte, Carmel, CA 93923**, County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
Registered Owner(s): ELIZABETH ANNE HILLS, 24544 Camino del Monte, Carmel, CA 93923.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Oct. 1, 2015.  
S/Elizabeth Anne Hills  
Dec. 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 Dec. 3, 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 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: Dec. 25, 2020; Jan. 1, 8, 15, 2021. (PC1218)

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS (PROBATE CODE §§19040(B), 19052) In re the Estate of FELICIA CLAIRE COLTON, Deceased

**Case Number 20PR000476**  
Notice is hereby given to the creditors and contingent creditors of the above-named decedent that all persons having claims against the decedent are required to file them with the Superior Court at 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, California 93940, and deliver a copy to JOANNE MARIE NOTO, as Trustee of The FELICIA CLAIRE COLTON TRUST dated April 28, 2000, of which the decedent was the settlor, at 26335 Carmel Rancho Blvd., Suite 2, Carmel, California 93923, as provided in Probate Code §1215 within the later of four (4) months after December 25, 2020 (the date of the first publication of notice to creditors) or, if notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, sixty (60) days after the date this notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, or you must petition to file a late claim as provided in Probate Code §19103. A claim form may be obtained from the

court clerk. For your protection, you are encouraged to file your claim by certified mail, with return receipt requested. Dated: Dec. 17, 2020  
UTE M. ISBIL-WILLIAMS, Attorney for Trustee  
26335 Carmel Rancho Blvd., Suite 2 Carmel, California 93923  
Publication dates: Dec. 25, 2020; Jan 1, 8, 15, 2021. (PC1220)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20202317  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **GRATEFUL SEAS PHOTOGRAPHY, 1408 Rhone Way, Gonzales, CA 93926-9214**, County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
Registered Owner(s): BRENDAN DENNIS BILLMAN, 1408 Rhone Way, Gonzales, CA 93926-9214. KAREN ROBERTA BILLMAN, 1408 Rhone Way, Gonzales, CA 93926-9214.  
This business is conducted by a married couple.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Dec. 12, 2020.  
S/Brendan Dennis Billman  
Dec. 16, 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 Dec. 16, 2020.  
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
Publication dates: Dec. 25, 2020; Jan. 1, 8, 15 2021. (PC1221)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20202291  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**Tassajara Zen Mountain Center, 39171 Tassajara Road, Carmel Valley, CA 93924**, County of Monterey  
Registered Owner(s): San Francisco Zen Center, 300 Page Street, San Francisco, CA 94102; California  
This business is conducted by a Corporation.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 10/10/1966.  
S/ Emily Hildore, Chief Financial Officer  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on December 11, 2020.  
12/25/20, 1/1, 1/8, 1/15/21  
**CNS-3423700#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication dates: Dec. 25, 2020; Jan. 1, 8, 15 2021. (PC1222)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20202331  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **JULIAS VEGETARIAN RESTAURANT, 1180 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950**, County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
Registered Owner(s): ANTHONY MICHAEL GERBINO, 1180 Forest Ave, Suite F, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 2017.

S/Anthony Gerbino  
Dec. 18, 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 Dec. 18, 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: Dec. 25, 2020; Jan. 1, 8, 15 2021. (PC1223)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20202337  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **COMIDA ECONOMICA, 113 Primerose Dr., Salinas, CA 93906**, County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
Registered Owner(s): J. GUADALUPE PARTIDA PEDRAZA, 113 Primerose Dr., 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 Dec. 13, 2020.  
S/J. Guadalupe Partida Pedraza  
Dec. 21, 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 Dec. 21, 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: Dec. 25, 2020; Jan. 1, 8, 15 2021. (PC1226)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20202307  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **ANYTIME FITNESS, 1146 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950**, County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey County.  
Name of Corporation of as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: THE MASTER'S HOLDINGS, INC., 8375 Church St., Gilroy, CA 95020.  
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
This business is conducted by a corporation.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.  
S/ Jaime Allen, Secretary

Date: Dec. 20, 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 Dec. 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: Jan 1, 8, 15, 22, 2021. (PC102)

### SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

#### ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 20CV003459  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, MARTIN PLACENCIA, JR., filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
**Present name: MARTIN PLACENCIA JR.**  
**Proposed name: TRISTAN BAILON PENDRAGON**  
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
NOTICE OF HEARING:  
DATE: FEB. 26, 2021  
TIME: 9:00 a.m.  
DEPT: 15  
The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.  
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.  
(s) Lydia M. Villarreal  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Date filed: Dec. 23, 2020  
Publication dates: Jan. 1, 8, 15, 22, 2021. (PC103)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20202282  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**Legacy Church, 357 Main Street, Salinas, CA 93901**, County of Monterey  
Registered Owner(s): New Harvest Christian Fellowship of Salinas, 357 Main Street, Salinas, CA 93901; CA  
This business is conducted by a Corporation  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A.  
S/ Ignacio Torres, President  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on December 11, 2020.  
1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 1/22/21  
**CNS-342218#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication dates: Jan. 1, 8, 15, 22, 2021. (PC104)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20202289  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**ROGER FOOD AND LIQUOR, 215 RESERVATION RD STE P, MARINA, CA 93933, MAILING ADDR: P.O. BOX 516, AROMAS, CA 95004**, County of MONTEREY  
Registered Owner(s): CENTRAL COAST PROVISIONS, INC., 330 BLOHM AVE, AROMAS, CA 95004  
CA CORPORATION  
This business is conducted by CORPORATION.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE.  
S/ LAHKWINDER SHAHI  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 12/11/2020  
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1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 1/29/21  
**CNS-3428569#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication dates: Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29, 2021. (PC106)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20202290  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**MARINA LIQUORS, 3108 DEL MONTE BLVD, MARINA, CA 93933, MAILING ADDR: 2351 ASHGLEEN WAY, SAN JOSE, CA 95133**, County of MONTEREY  
Registered Owner(s): FARINAS PROVISIONS INC., 2351 ASHGLEEN WAY, SAN JOSE, CA 95133  
This business is conducted by a CORPORATION.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE.  
S/ ALAN FARINAS, PRESIDENT  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 12/11/2020  
ORIGINAL FILING  
1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 1/29/21  
**CNS-3429260#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication dates: Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29, 2021. (PC107)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20202347  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **REMEDY PRODUCTION & DESIGN, 1140 Pajaro St. Unit B, Salinas, CA 93901**, County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
Registered Owner(s): STAFFORD EZEKIEL BAIN, 1140 Pajaro St. Unit B, Salinas, CA 93901.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Feb. 14, 2020.  
S/Stafford Ezekiel Bain  
Dec. 23, 2020

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 23, 2020.  
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(See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
Publication dates: Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29, 2021. (PC108)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20202257  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **MONTEREY BAY RV RENTALS, 229 Lobos Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950**, County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey County.  
Name of Corporation of as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: ABBOTT RECREATION VEHICLES LLC, 229 Lobos Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.  
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 N/A.  
S/ Erik Abbott, Managing Member  
Date: Dec. 8, 2020  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) (B&P Code 17913). *I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).*  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 8, 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: Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29, 2021. (PC110)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20202353  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**Mission Foods, 722 LaGuardia Street, Salinas, CA 93905**, County of Monterey  
Registered Owner(s): Gruma Corporation, 5601 Executive Drive, Suite 800, Irving, TX 75038; Nevada  
This business is conducted by a Corporation  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A  
S/ David Salazar Cavazos, Secretary  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on December 28 2020  
1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5/21  
**CNS-3429276#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication dates: Jan 15, 22, 29, Feb. 5, 2021. (PC111)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20202355  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**Home Sweet Home, 21731 Ventura Blvd., Suite 205, Woodland Hills, California 91364**, County of Los Angeles  
Registered Owner(s): Walsh & Company, Inc., 21731 Ventura Blvd., Suite 205, Woodland Hills, California 91364; California  
This business is conducted by a Corporation  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable  
S/ Chantida Walsh, President  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on December 28, 2020  
1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5/21  
**CNS-3427707#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication dates: Jan 15, 22, 29, Feb. 5, 2021. (PC112)

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