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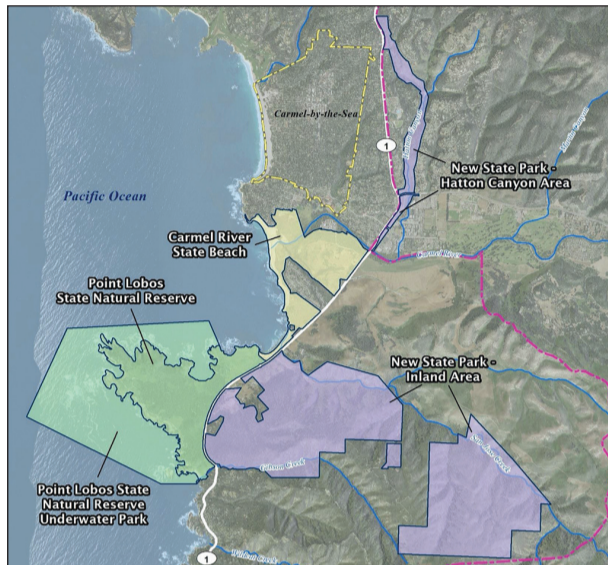
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New state park honors ancient Rumsen village

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE STATE of California this week announced the creation of Ishxenta State Park, combining several disparate properties in the Carmel area, including Hatton Can-



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The light purple areas on this map provided by state parks show the five parts of the new Ishxenta State Park, which stretches from Hatton Canyon to Point Lobos.

yon, Point Lobos Ranch and Marathon Flats.

The name, which is pronounced “eesh-EN-ta,” was chosen after officials consulted with representatives from local tribes. They say nearly all the 1,600-acre park falls within land that was known to the Native California people as Ishxenta.

Three of the five properties that make up the new park are not contiguous but could be connected by a trail, much of which already exists.

A 20-acre portion of the new park will be dedicated as the Tatlung Cultural Preserve. Tatlung was a Rumsen leader when the Spanish first settled in Monterey County.

What’s in the plan

Details can be found in a new general plan for Carmel area state parks which was approved Friday by the California State Parks Commission.

When state parks used \$13 million in taxpayers’ funds to acquire Point Lobos Ranch in a series of transactions ending in 2006, officials said it couldn’t be opened to the public until a general plan was completed.

In 2009, officials said it would cost up to \$600,000 to fund the new general plan and take three years to finish the job. The Point Lobos Foundation donated \$250,000 toward the effort, and the plan finally made it to the finish line Friday — 12 years after the effort began.

State parks superintendent Brent Marshall told The Pine Cone that a public process will determine where trails

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County close to getting back to normal

By KELLY NIX

LIFE IN Monterey County will feel a lot different come June 15 when the State of California lifts coronavirus restrictions on businesses and allows many residents to stop wearing masks. Monterey County’s health officer Tuesday offered a glimpse about what the new normal will look like.

In April, Gov. Gavin Newsom picked mid-June for the state’s economic reopening, which means plays can return to theaters, bands can play in front of live crowds, and the colored tiers the state uses to restrict activities will go away — hopefully forever.

“Effective June 15, businesses, for the most part, can return to usual operations,” county health officer Dr. Ed Moreno told the board of supervisors Tuesday.

“There will be no restrictions for attendees, customers and guests,” he said.

The end of distancing

There also will be no more caps on audiences at indoor and outdoor events, though there will still be some entry requirements at large gatherings.

For instance, for indoor “mega events” of more than 5,000 people, such as conventions, conferences, expos and concerts, the state will require attendees to show proof of vaccination or a negative coronavirus test. For outdoor events of more than 10,000 people, such as professional sports, state health officials will “strongly recommend” attendees provide those things, Moreno said.

“And those attendees who are not vaccinated, and don’t have evidence they have tested negative, should be asked to wear a face covering during the event,” he explained.

However, putting 6 feet between you and the other guy will no longer be necessary, no matter what the event, since the state on June 15 will drop the physical distancing requirement.

The state Department of Public Health, Moreno said, has said it would offer guidance for youth, healthcare facilities and people in high-risk congregate settings. The CDPH has also said it would continue to offer guidance on face coverings and travel.

With a mere 1.9 Covid-19 cases per 100,000 people, Monterey County is now a candidate for the Yellow Tier

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Prison unemployment scam brings felony charges

Billions lost as inmates exploit loopholes

By CHRIS COUNTS

IN THE latest fallout from last year’s massive statewide jail welfare scam — when tens of thousands of prisoners throughout California bilked taxpayers out of billions of dollars in pandemic relief payments — the Monterey County District Attorney’s Office last week charged 29 people with Covid unemployment fraud.

Of the 29 individuals, 21 were in jail when they applied

for and received unemployment insurance, while the remaining eight conspired with the inmates to commit the fraud. All but three are listed as county residents. Among those indicted were Michael Birchell, 34, of Monterey, and Justin Allen Casey, 32, and Diondre Lamon Rodriguez, 49, of Seaside.

Twelve of those indicted have “previous serious or violent felony convictions,” making them subject to the Three Strikes law.

Strike three for some

Those indicted have been charged with a variety of felonies, including conspiracy, making fraudulent statements on unemployment insurance applications, and money laundering. Together, they cost the state more than \$360,000.

Because the court system has been “strained due to a

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School board approves supe’s \$270K contract

By MARY SCHLEY

THE NEW superintendent for the Carmel Unified School District is an assistant superintendent from Colorado, district officials announced Friday. This week, the board of education OK’d a three-year contract with Ted Knight, who will assume the \$270,000-per-year job starting July 1. Parents, students and community members will have the chance to talk to him (virtually) at a town hall May 28 at 5 p.m.



Ted Knight

At this week’s meeting, school board members praised each other, the search firm that found Knight, and the community members, faculty, staff and students who participated in various ways during the

four-month search, from answering surveys and weighing in at forums, to forming the interview panel that questioned and evaluated the six semifinalists for the job. Two

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Fire pits returned to beach after year’s absence

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

CITY CREWS last week installed five of the “smokeless” fire pits on Carmel Beach south of 10th Avenue for the first time since they were taken off the sand in the fall of 2019. Although current policy has them available every evening during the summer months, the pits were never put out last year due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The metal pits, which are double-walled to help “re-burn” the smoke and make it cleaner once it’s released into the air, are only located between 10th and 12th so far, since tides coming in at the south end of the beach can still get high enough to cover that area with water.

Only clean wood

Beachgoers are reminded to burn only clean, dry wood — not driftwood, pressure-treated wood or other burnable items that can release a lot of toxins — and to use only water, not sand, to put their fires out. City work crews have reported finding “all kinds of trash burned in these pits, including books, flipflops, seaweed” and even nitrous oxide canisters some people use to get high. Covering fires with sand only leaves them to smolder, the city also noted.

The firepits can be used between 4 and 10 p.m. Propane fires are also allowed south of 10th during those hours, as long as they are at least 25 feet from the bluffs.



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A Pine Cone reader supplied this photo of one of the fire pits in use on Carmel Beach Monday night. “It was a very lovely evening and my first-ever beach fire in California,” she reported.

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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Protective pair

ALTHOUGH MOOSE and Luna are Australian shepherds, their personalities are practically polar opposites.

Moose, now 13, belonged to his person well before he married and started a family. The old guard of the household, Moose is quite calm for the characteristically high-energy Aussie and is very loyal to his herd.

Luna, still acts like the 2-year-old her people brought home six years ago.

"Luna's personality is very high-temper," her person said. "I imagine there's something inside her brain constantly running in circles. Moose is much calmer and more methodical. He thinks before he does anything."

When the pair reaches the pond in Garland Park, their person says, Luna runs right in, whereas Moose stops at the edge, checks out the environment and then wades.

Either way, Aussies need a lot of exercise. Short on space at their Carmel Valley property, Moose and Luna's people make a point of getting them out for a regular walk or run.

"Luna is my running partner," her person said.



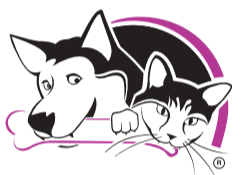
"She can run and run and run."

Both dogs love racing along the shore at Carmel Beach, and both swim very well, their person said.

"It's nice, since they have all that dog hair, to dunk them in the water and get some of it off," she said. "But it takes them about three days to dry after they've been swimming."

Moose and Luna's couple were a little concerned when they brought their baby home 17 months ago, considering that Aussies can have an overwhelming amount of energy.

"Having been crate-trained, both dogs seemed to understand their boundaries right away," their person said. "They let our daughter climb all over them, and they lick her face when she's done eating. They understand the family unit and are very protective of us."



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Supervisors vote to censure sheriff

By MARY SCHLEY

AFTER AN investigation by Monterey County District Attorney Jeannine Pacioni's office, the board of supervisors unanimously voted this week to rebuke Sheriff Steve Bernal for allowing deputies, fuel and ammunition to be used during a 2019 California State Sheriffs Association conference at a cost of more than \$22,000 to taxpayers, "with no benefit to the citizens of Monterey County."

The district attorney's office looked into allegations of "misuse of public funds, timecard fraud and theft of county property," specifically, deploying deputies as shuttle drivers, using county gas, and providing thousands of rounds of ammunition for a shooting competition, Monterey County DA Chief Investigator Ryan McGuirk wrote in his March 12, 2020, report. The conference, which is hosted by a different county each year and is attended by sheriffs, administrative staff and spouses from throughout the state, typically involves training, meetings, talks, awards, meals and social events.

Bernal played a part in the organizing but left most of it to his command staff, according to the report. The sheriff's office worked with the sheriffs association to create the itinerary, develop a logistical plan and provide transportation to and from venues that included the Monterey Marriott, the Inn at Spanish Bay, Mission Ranch, downtown Carmel and a private gun club in South County.

Drivers or security?

Pacific Monarch, a private transportation company, donated buses and drivers to carry most people who attended the conference to and from events, but two Monterey County Sheriff's sergeants, four deputies and another employee also drove vans and were paid by the county from 10 a.m. to midnight for four days, according

to McGuirk's report.

While Bernal said they were also providing security, the drivers all told McGuirk that was not part of their role. They reported only spending about 25 percent of their time actually driving, and were told to enter all their hours on their timecards through their regularly assigned departments, such as the jail or patrol. One deputy logged 53 hours, McGuirk said, but only drove three times: once from San Jose airport to the hotel and twice from Monterey airport to the hotel. They were paid a total of \$21,433.44 by taxpayers, he concluded. The drivers were also told to fill their vans with gas from the county pumps.

Whose ammunition?

And while Bernal and other command staff said they all knew the shooting competition held at the Swiss Rifle Club in South Monterey County was not supposed to include any department-supplied ammunition, the written plan noted that 20,000 rounds out of a total 41,000 rounds were being donated. McGuirk said it's unknown how many rounds were used and whether any unused ammunition was returned.

"The sheriff denied knowing or ever authorizing department ammunition to be used at the competition and said it should have all been provided by the vendors working the event," McGuirk wrote. "The sheriff said he knew very little about the actual planning of each individual conference event and those details had all been left to his commanders."

When she sent the report to county administrative officer Charles McKee in June 2020, Pacioni said she did not find Bernal had committed the crime of misappropriation of public funds, because he didn't seem to know how much was spent or that it was unlawful.

But she concluded he used resources

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Police & Sheriff's Log

They're not bad, just too loud

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic stop at Mission and Ocean for vehicle code violation. The 46-year-old male driver was found to have a suspended license for DUI.

Pacific Grove: Theft from a vehicle on Evans reported at 0400 hours.

Pacific Grove: Theft of tools from the back of a vehicle and front yard of a residence on 17 Mile Drive. No suspect identified at this time.

Pacific Grove: Conducted a bicycle stop on Central Avenue for vehicle code violations. A records check determined the subject had warrants for his arrest. The 38-year-old male was cited and released at the scene.

Pacific Grove: Responded to a report of a subject who fell on public property on Ocean View Boulevard. Subject was transported to the hospital for treatment.

Pacific Grove: Fall on public property on 17th Street.

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

Pacific Grove: Report of a hit-and-run collision involving two vehicles on Light-house.

Pacific Grove: Money found on Eardley. Owner information is not known, so the item will be held for safekeeping.

Pacific Grove: Two juveniles attempted to steal items from a grocery store at Country Club Gate at 2045 hours. They were confronted by a witness and used force in an attempt to flee. The subjects, both 15 years old, were arrested and transported to juvenile hall.

Pacific Grove: Theft of a scooter on Seaview Avenue. Located at a nearby park.

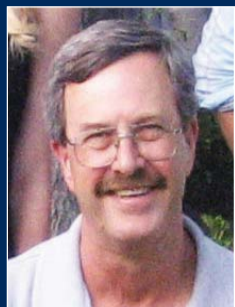
Carmel Valley: Credit card fraud reported at Mid Valley Shopping Center.

THURSDAY, MAY 13

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Dog on a leash broke free from his owner and pinned another dog to the ground in the area of Guadalupe and Mountain View. The victim dog was on a leash. After the owner kicked at the offending dog, it came after her dog again as she was holding her small dog. The female owner of the offending dog grabbed the leash and walked off with her dog, not saying anything to the victim dog owner. Follow-up in progress.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male called to report losing his wallet near Nielsen's market at San Carlos and Seventh.

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The gavel falls

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

March 26 — Aaron Eugene Sepulveda of Salinas was found guilty of aggravated sexual assault of a child under the age of 14 and 9 other sexual assault crimes perpetrated upon his nine-year-old stepdaughter on the night of Aug. 26, 2018. The jury further found that the defendant personally inflicted great bodily injury in the commission of the Aug. 26 sexual assault and found him guilty of two other sex crimes perpetrated when the child was between the ages of 5 and 8 years old.

The child was admitted to Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital on Aug. 29, 2018, for severe vaginal bleeding. The emergency room physician observed that the child had bruising to her face, arms and hips, plus tearing and lacerations to vaginal tissue. Salinas Police Department and child protective services were called to investigate. Sepulveda, 32, was arrested at the hospital.

The jury trial was postponed several times in 2020 due to Covid-19 health concerns. However, a jury of seven women and five men heard testimony over two weeks starting March 5, 2021. Jane Doe, now 11 years old, bravely testified to the events of August 26, 2018, and prior sex acts that she remembered, starting when she was 5 years old. The victim was supported in the courtroom by a victim advocate from the district attorney's office and a courtroom facility canine named Odie.

The defendant is facing a term of life in the state prison without the possibility of pa-

role when the Honorable Mark E. Hood renders sentence.

The case was investigated by the Salinas Police Department, district attorney captain Jorge Ramirez and district attorney investigator Pablo Andrade.

March 26 — The Honorable Julie R. Culver imposed a previously suspended five-year prison term and remanded Gary Klugman to the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation on his 2020 convictions for possession of child pornography and possession of an assault weapon.

Klugman, now age 71, was placed on felony probation on May 8, 2020, under a grant that required him to obey all laws. On October 21, 2020, while serving his 365-day jail commitment on house arrest, the Monterey County Probation Department located several switchblade knives at his home. Klugman was asked to report to the probation department the next day, when a search of his vehicle resulted in the confiscation of two more switchblade knives in the front passenger seat. He was subsequently charged with violating his two grants of felony probation and was charged with possession of switchblade knives.

On December 4, 2020, he pled guilty to

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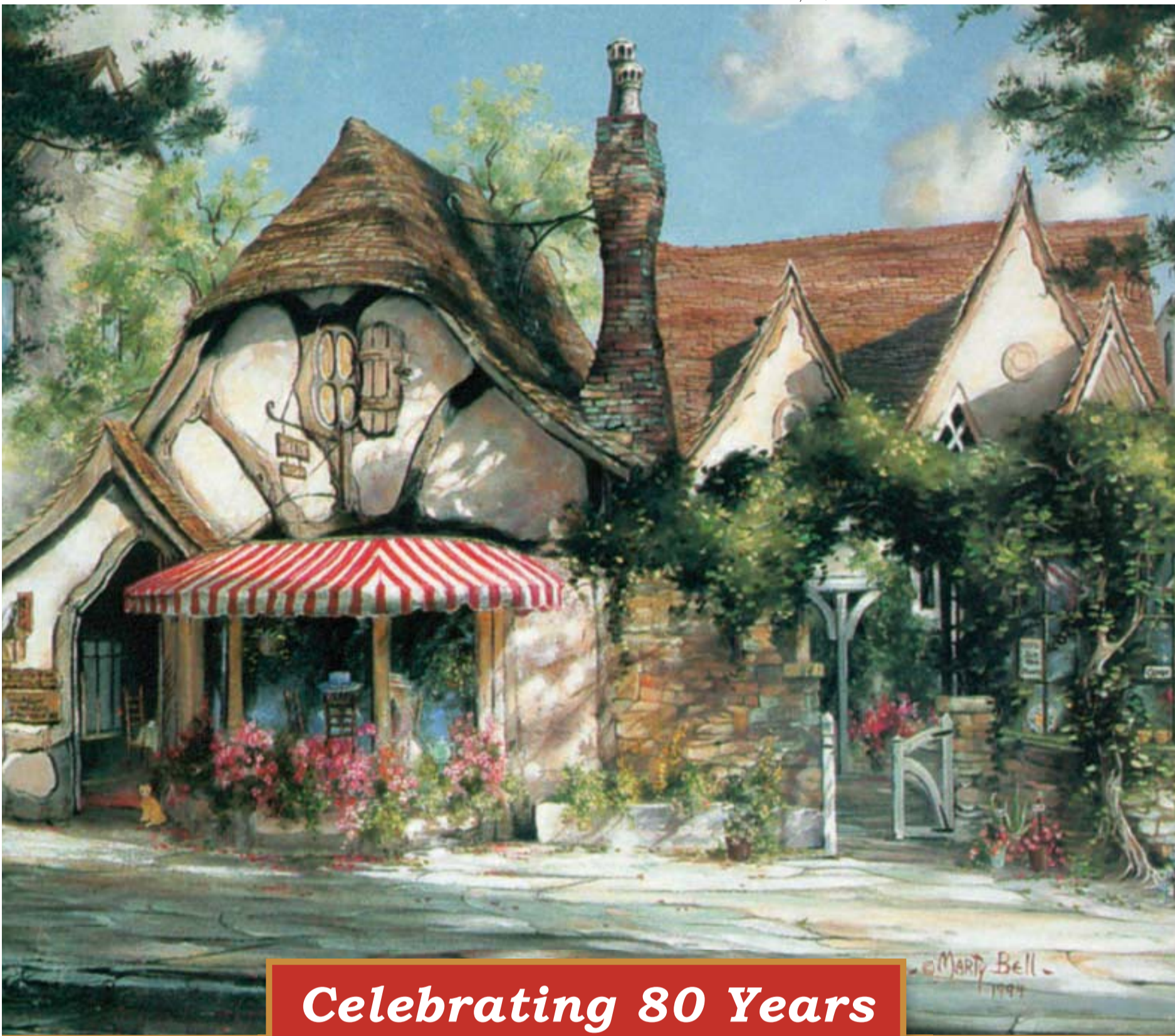
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Four dead in two C.V. Road wrecks

By MARY SCHLEY

THREE MEN died late Friday night when the Chevy truck they were in ran straight through the stoplight at the end of Carmel Valley Road at Highway 1, hit a light pole and crashed into the stone cliff on the far side of the road, according to California Highway Patrol public information officer Jessica Madueño. And a week earlier, a woman was killed when a passing car hit her while she was standing next to her car in the middle of the road after an earlier accident.

Shortly before 11:45 p.m. May 21, CHP officers were called to a wreck at the intersection of Carmel Valley Road and Highway 1. The driver of a black 2018 Chevrolet Silverado truck was heading west on Carmel Valley Road “at a high rate of speed” when he failed to stop or turn and flew straight through the intersection, knocking down a large traffic signal pole and smashing into the rock cliff face behind it, according to Madueño.

The 34-year-old driver, Lars Hilde of Flathead, Mont., and his passengers, 30-year-old Terrence Barry from Juneau, Alaska, and 38-year-old Levi Koetje from Spokane, Wash., all died at the scene. None were wearing seatbelts, and “alcohol intoxication is expected to be a factor in this crash,” she said.

All weekend and this week, the traffic

signal at the intersection had flashing red lights due to the demolished light pole, tying up traffic in all directions, but particularly southbound on Highway 1, where drivers typically don’t have to stop. State law requires motorists to treat flashing red lights the same as stop signs.

Driver hit after crash

A week earlier and just down the hill on Carmel Valley Road near Rancho Cañada, a woman was killed after being involved in a separate crash in her Toyota Camry, which was disabled and in the middle of the road, according to Madueño.

The driver, 38-year-old Stacey Paz from Northridge, and her passenger had gotten out of the car and were standing next to it when Seaside resident Sergio Hernandez, 21, hit them while driving by in his Volkswagen Passat.

“The force of the impact caused the two pedestrians to be thrown to the ground,” Madueño said, and Paz died at the scene. She did not say what happened to the other pedestrian.

The accident occurred at around 9:35 p.m. May 14.

California Highway Patrol officers don’t believe Hernandez had been drinking or doing drugs but are still investigating whether they were a factor in the earlier non-injury crash involving the Toyota, according to Madueño.

Fire department to begin inspections

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

MONTEREY FIREFIGHTERS will be inspecting all houses “at risk for a wildland fire” in the cities of Carmel, Pacific Grove, Monterey and Sand City starting June 1, and will leave notices at those where corrections are required. Fire crews conduct the annual inspections to help reduce the risk of a wildfire spreading to

multiple homes through trees, dry brush and other fuels.

The fire department also offers advice on how property owners can make their homes defensible, including keeping grass mowed, removing leaves and pine needles from roofs, and getting rid of dead vegetation within 30 feet of their houses. Anyone with questions can call (831) 646-3908 or email fireprevention@monterey.org.



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Supervisors recognize May as Asian and Pacific Islander month

By KELLY NIX

TWO MONTHS after county supervisors failed to include Asians and Pacific Islanders in a resolution declaring racism a “public health crisis” in Monterey County, the elected officials last week adopted a separate resolution setting the month of May as a tribute to those groups.

The Monterey County Board of Supervisors officially recognized each May as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month in Monterey County to “celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islanders’ contributions to our dynamic and pluralistic American society.”

“The Asian American and Pacific Islander community has a rich and profound history right here,” First District Supervisor Luis Alejo, who proposed the resolution, said May 18. “And it is critical that we take a moment to rec-

ognize that history, their contributions and their continued leadership in Monterey County.”

Fifth District Supervisor Mary Adams and Third District Supervisor Chris Lopez also recognized Asians’ contributions to the county at the meeting.

“Those of us who have had the opportunity to live here a long time are aware of the important history and role” that Japanese, Pacific Islanders and other Asians have “brought to us,” Adams said.

Many contributions

Monterey resident Larry Oda, the former president of the country’s oldest and largest Asian American civil rights organization, the Japanese American Citizens League, noted Asians’ many contributions, including in Monterey County’s agricultural industry. Though Asians account for

about 6.7 percent of the county’s population, according to 2019 U.S. Census estimates, Oda said their contributions are “unparalleled.”

“Many of the vegetables that were introduced in Monterey County were introduced by Asians, by Japanese farmers,” Oda said. “Lettuce, broccoli, cucumbers and strawberries were all developed by Japanese farmers. The farms operated by the Asians were a minority but they produced the majority of the product that went out.”

The Japanese were also instrumental in Monterey Peninsula’s fishing industry before the 1940s.

“In 1910, a newspaper counted 185 boats on Monterey Bay, and 145 of them were Japanese boats,” Oda said. “The Japanese really dominated the fishing industry until World War II.”

Besides the construction work that Chinese immigrants did on some of the most difficult segments of the transcontinental railroad in the 19th century, Oda noted that they also laid tracks to Pacific Grove for a sand plant at Lake Majella — the current site of the Inn at Spanish Bay.

“The Chinese have been very involved in the development of the economy of the county,” Oda said.

He said the most decorated unit in the history of the U.S. military for its size and length of service is the all-Japanese-American 442nd Regimental Combat Team, which was composed of second-generation Japanese Americans. The regiment was given 21 medals of Honor, 560 Silver Stars and other awards.

“The contributions of Asians in Monterey County are tremendous, and I’m very happy to see the board of supervisors adopt this resolution to help us heal the bad feelings that we have experienced,” Oda said.

Alisal Family Resource Center director Carissa Purnell, who is of Asian and Pacific Islander heritage, told the supervisors it meant a lot to her that the board recognized the groups’ roots, culture and history in Monterey County.

“Our history is very deep and powerful in this community,” Purnell said.

Recognition of the groups comes after a resolution brought to the board in March by chair Wendy Root Askew declaring “racism a public health crisis” failed to mention Asians and Pacific Islanders. The omission led Oda to accuse the panel of promoting “systemic racism.”

Supervisor Adams is the only member of the panel to have publicly acknowledged, after the fact, that the groups should have been listed in the document. Askew did not comment on the new resolution.

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GREAT WHITE POPULATION GROWING

By KELLY NIX

THE POPULATION of great white sharks along the Central California coast is increasing, according to experts, who believe that protection measures and an abundance of seals and other factors account for the modest growth of the predator.

A study published this month by scientific journal Biological Conservation found population increases for adult and sub-adult great whites at known shark cluster areas at Southeast Farallon Island, Año Nuevo Island and Tomales Point.

Researchers monitored great whites from 2011 to 2018 and found about 300 in the areas tracked. That compares a 2011 study which estimated there were 219 great white sharks off the Central California coast.

The analysis found “considerable evidence for population growth in adult males and females during the 8-year study period and more equivocal evidence for population growth among sub-adult males and females, although a stable population growth rate can be conservatively inferred for all groups,” according to the results.

Modest uptick

While more great whites may not be particularly settling to scuba divers, UC Santa Cruz researcher Salvador Jorgensen, the study’s senior author, said the increase of great whites — which are at the top of the food chain — is beneficial to other ocean species.

“If an ecosystem can naturally support apex predators, it is typically a good indicator of that system’s health,” Jorgensen told The Pine Cone Tuesday. “We are fortunate to have an ocean wilderness where our wildlife can thrive.”

Another researcher, Paul Kanive, said the data shows “evidence of a modest uptick in numbers of adult males and females over the study period. We are cautiously optimistic of a small but healthy population

off central California.” The study, however, warns that “the possibility of decline” in the great white population “cannot be definitively ruled out.”

Researchers, who took photos of the sharks and tagged them so they could be identified, studied unique notches on their dorsal fins to distinguish them from each other. One of the sharks, a 16-foot male often spotted at the Farallones, was affectionally referred to as “Leno” because its fin resembled comic Jay Leno’s facial profile.

Protection helping

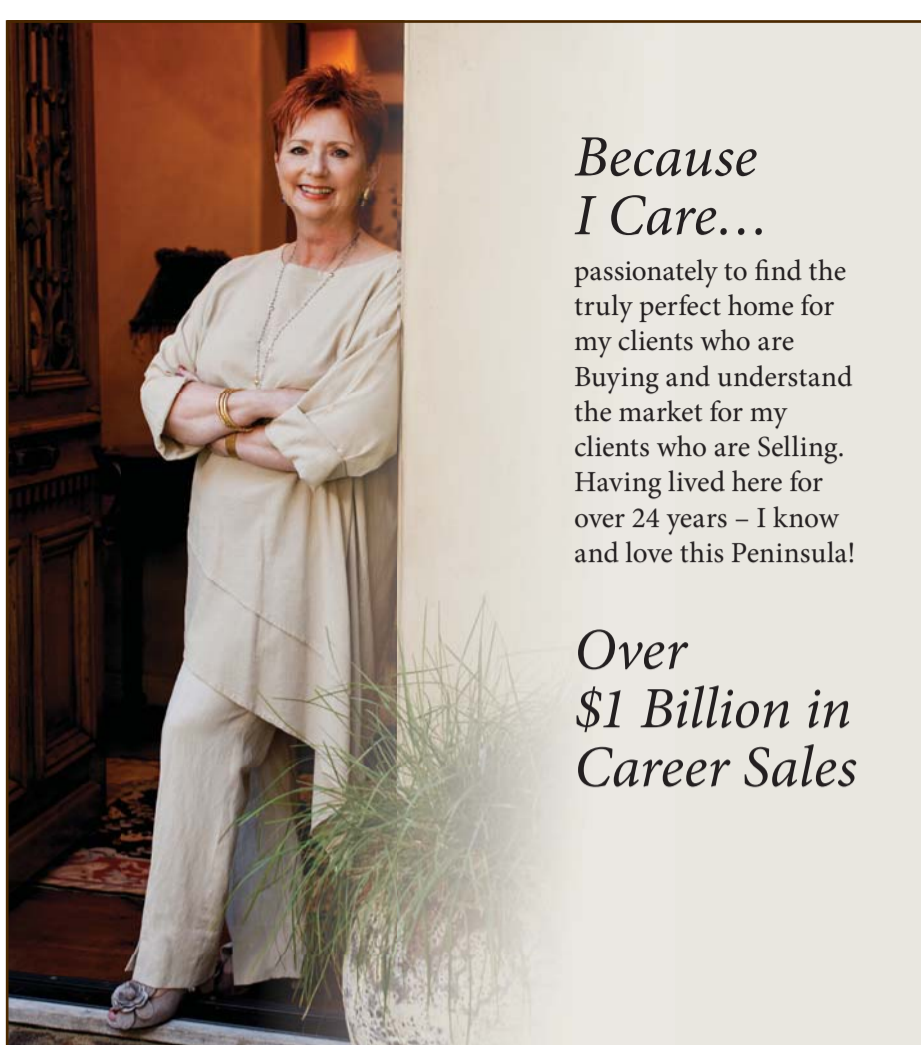
The higher numbers of great whites, which have been protected in California since 1994, could be due to an abundance of seals and sea lions, which sharks feed on, and measures put in place to protect sharks, the research found.

“The banning of nearshore gill nets in the mid 90s, and more recently a ban on white shark takings in Mexico in 2014, have reduced white shark mortality in their nursery areas in southern California and Northern Baja,” Jorgensen said. “While we didn’t really notice a change in the field from year to year, once we crunched the numbers we were pleasantly surprised to see this modest increase.”

The global population of the great white shark, which lives in almost all the world’s oceans, is unknown.

While the Monterey Bay Aquarium had invested early on in the shark study, Jorgensen — who worked for the aquarium for 10 years — said it “can no longer sustain a field study” because of the revenue losses the aquarium suffered while being closed during the coronavirus pandemic.

“Our team is actively looking for new funding in an effort to keep a finger on the pulse of this population now that we have established this baseline,” he said. “In the meantime we have launched a GoFundMe page [bit.ly/3fn5q68] to keep the surveys going until we secure long-term funding.”



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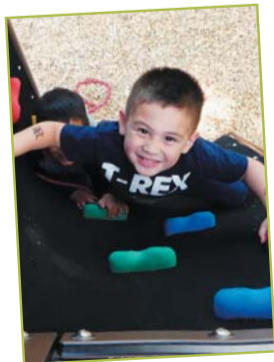
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Commission likes idea of plaza in front of Park Branch library

By MARY SCHLEY

A PLAN to close Sixth Avenue and expand Devendorf Park into a plaza in front of the Park Branch library could be getting some legs, while the mayor's repeatedly articulated dream of building a parking structure with street-level commercial development on the north lot at Sunset Center continues to garner little support.

Library and community activities director Ashlee Wright worked with a landscape architect to develop a rough design of the park plan and had the concept included on the city council's list of capital projects, with proposed funding of \$2.5 million within the next five years.

She also spoke to the forest and beach commission about it May 13 and told the

community activities commission May 11 that she intends to work on public outreach for the plaza project.

An event at the library early in her career that involved closing Sixth between Junipero and Mission and allowing kids to run back and forth between the park and the library inspired Wright to come up with the idea, she told the forest and beach commission.

Any interest?

Expanding the park all the way to the front of the library would create an "open air plaza where community members and visitors can gather, picnic, hang out after school, enjoy small summer concerts, attend events, shop at the weekly farmers market or take a nice evening stroll," she

said. City events like the Christmas tree and Menorah lighting and the Fourth of July party could take place there, too.

"It will demonstrate how well-designed, thoughtful infrastructure can support our community's social infrastructure," she said.

Potential obstacles to the project, she said, include relocating the Monterey-Salinas Transit bus stop on that block, and losing several parking spaces in front of the library and on the street.

It would also mean fire engines and ambulances would no longer have a straight route north out of their firehouse, which is located on Sixth a block west of the proposed plaza.

But Wright noted all those issues are also true during the weekly farmers market on Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., so far with no ill effects.

She said she plans to talk to all the city decision-making bodies about the project and noted it has been included on the city's list of capital improvement projects "as a preliminary item for discussion."

"It's just a concept," public works director Bob Harary added. "It's not ready to be funded yet."

Presenting it to the boards and commissions and the general public now will help gauge their level of interest, he said, and if there isn't any, "the city has plenty of other projects it can be doing."

Commissioner Sarah Berling reiterated the concerns about parking and wondered what Rich Pepe, owner of Vesuvio restaurant on Sixth, thinks about it, since he would lose his street front.

Commissioner Mike Caddell said it is "an interesting concept and one that potentially could be really beneficial to the city."

"I think it's really a wonderful idea, and I would like to see it move forward," chair Darlene Mosley said, though she wasn't

sure how the forest and beach commission could help make that happen.

Dale Byrne said he loves "this blue-sky-thinking type of project," and Ramie Allard of Friends of Carmel Forest said she and her group "would be behind it and helping out any way we could."

Commissioner Brian Sours asked about the budget.

Harary estimated the plaza project would cost roughly \$3 million, and Wright said fundraising would bring in part of it. During previous mentions of the project at council meetings, city administrator Chip Perig has said there are some "major donors" who would help. Last week, Wright told The Pine Cone she discussed the concept with some supporters before the pandemic but had "nothing else to share as of yet."

The nonprofit Carmel Public Library Foundation, which tax documents filed in 2019 show had a little over \$8 million in assets and paid its executive director nearly \$118,000 in salary and other compensation, contributes funds for library operations, services and materials every year.

Potter's wish

During city council discussions of revenues, parking, capital work and other issues, Mayor Dave Potter has repeatedly raised the idea of creating a public-private partnership to develop the north lot at Sunset Center. Roughly, he envisions two levels of underground public parking controlled by the city, and an above-ground building operated by a private individual or company that would help bankroll the project in exchange for development rights.

On more than one occasion, he's suggested seeking proposals from people who might be interested in embarking on such a venture, but so far, no one has made any effort to further the idea.

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Floating wind farm is coming, but not to Big Sur

By CHRIS COUNTS

LESS THAN a year after state and federal officials announced they were exploring the possibility of creating a giant offshore wind farm somewhere off the California coast between Limekiln State Park in Big Sur and Hearst Castle, they came out with a plan this week to install the array of wind turbines farther to the south.

"Today, Rep. Jimmy Panetta joined Rep. Salud Carbajal [who represents San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara counties] and the White House in announcing an agreement on the size and scope of leasing to allow for offshore wind development off California's Central Coast in Morro Bay," Panetta's office said. "The project will be located in Northern San Luis Obispo County, outside of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Monterey County."

Panetta's office said the wind farm would span 399 square miles, making it the largest proposed floating offshore wind project in the United States. It would be located "17 to 40 miles" offshore. The congressman celebrated the announcement. "This offshore wind agreement is a significant step in our efforts to address the climate crisis and meet our clean energy goals at the local, state, and national levels," he said.

Locals had a say

While the wind farm would be massive, it won't encroach upon Big Sur or the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, Panetta also told The Pine Cone.

"Due to the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary's established federal rules and regulations, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, which awards leases for offshore energy projects, is unable to issue any type of lease for energy production, including wind, oil and gas, off of the entire coast of Monterey County," he explained. "Moreover, through our Offshore Wind Working Group, we ensured that the local leaders of our Sanctuary, fishing community, marine conservation groups, and Big Sur residents were at the table to share their concerns and provide their input prior to this agreement."

The next step will be an environmental impact review with opportunities for public comment, officials say.

PacRep offers prime seats

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

IN AN effort to find new homes for all the old seats at the Golden Bough theater before a big renovation, PacRep Theatre has extended its "Grab a Seat" campaign another week. The "giveaway" — chairs are exchanged for a donation of any amount — continues through June 4.

"Some have given large donations, and others have given smaller ones," PacRep's executive director Stephen Moorer told The Pine Cone. "We're happy to receive all."

Moorer said the chairs are a perfect complement to any home, mancave or she-shed.

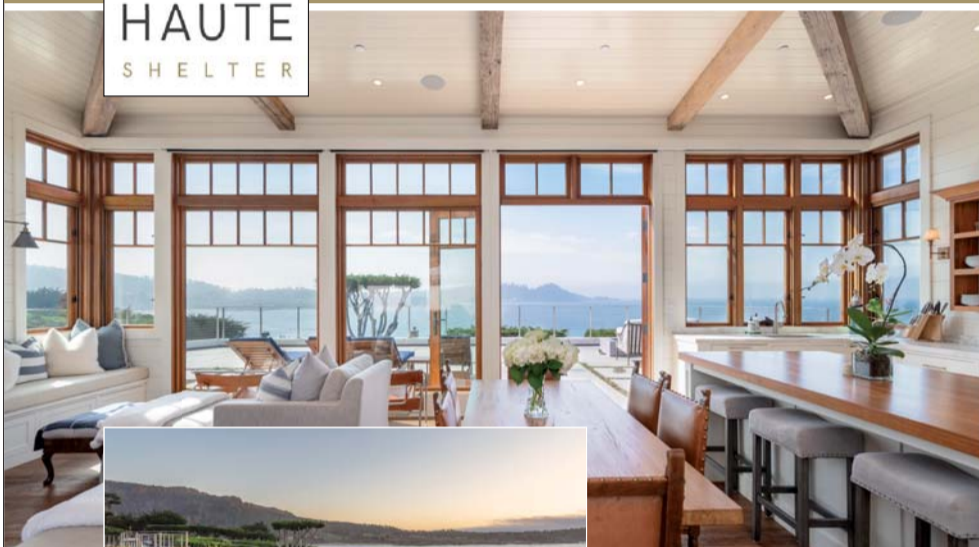
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Hospitality groups wage war against sharply higher sewer rates

By KELLY NIX

MONTEREY COUNTY business organizations this week ramped up opposition to a proposal by sewer district Monterey One Water to dramatically increase property owners' service rates. The agency wants to hike rates starting in July and then every year until 2025, when they would be about 120 percent higher than they are now.

In a May 25 letter to the Monterey One Water board of directors, the 17 groups, including the Monterey County Hospitality Association, pointed to the agency's 16 percent increase in September 2020 and the timing of the new increases — as businesses and their employees are trying to recover from the effects of the coronavirus pandemic. The hikes, which will be considered by the agency's board June 7, also affect homeowners.

"The new rate schedule hits ratepayers hard just as they begin to recover from 15 months of reduced wages, at best, or unemployment, at worst," the letter said. "The same is

true for thousands of small businesses who barely survived, many of which took out loans that they must soon begin to repay or are on the hook for months of back rent and other unpaid expenses."

"If this board approves the rate schedule starting July 1 of this year, you will have imposed what amounts to a 71 percent increase in monthly rates over the last 12 months," the groups say.

'Unjustified'

Monterey County Hospitality Association chair Janine Chicourrat said the citizens and shop and restaurant owners she's talked to were stunned by Monterey One Water's rate proposal.

"Business owners, local organizations and residents, many of whom are renters, are all opposed to the substantial rate increase, especially since the last increase was in September," Chicourrat told The Pine Cone Tuesday. "Then you look at the future increases, which are enor-

mous, and you have to ask the question, 'Why?'"

If approved, the rates would take effect July 1 "with a jarring 46 percent average increase over current rates," and would "incrementally increase by about 20 percent per year until 2025, where they would sit at 122 percent of the current monthly rate," the groups said.

Owners of single-family homes who now pay \$24.55 per month, for instance, will see an \$11.50 increase July 1 and annual hikes until 2025, when their bills will more than double to \$54.45.

Restaurants, laundromats, medical offices, motels, nightclubs, dry cleaners, movie theaters, gas stations and every one of the 42 sewer district categories would pay more than double their current rates by 2025, per the proposal.

Monterey One Water contends that "steady user fees throughout the decades" have allowed the agency, which

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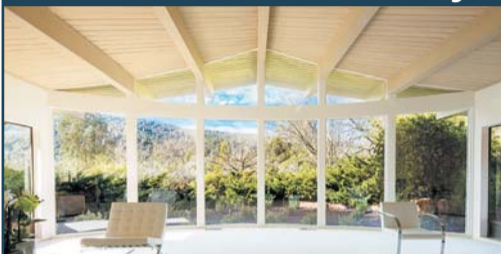
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This Memorial Day, as our country and community come together to honor the soldiers who have sacrificed their lives for our country, one local residents perpetual legacy, Major Frank De Amaral, killed in action in Vietnam 1965 property is now threatened by possible development of the open space land left in his memory in Carmel Highlands.

The potential development of this site has citizen groups and Monterey County residents who want to save the land from development opposing a pending application that requires both a change in zoning and variances from slope and setback requirements established by the Carmel Area Land Use Plan. The land on which the future proposed construction would take place was gifted as a permanent memorial to Major Frank De Amaral, Jr. who was a U.S. pilot who died in combat in Vietnam in 1965.



The current application proposes constructing a residence on an extremely steep slope located in Carmel Highlands close to where Major De Amaral grew up.

In December 1966, the 30 acres were donated to the Monterey County Foundation for Conservation by Mr. & Mrs. N.J. D' Ambrogio, a local close family friend and Carmel Highlands resident, in memory of Major De Amaral.

The event was commemorated on February 24, 1967. The Foundation for Conservation formalized the dedication to Major De Amaral by executing a Conservation and Scenic Easement Deed on the property and conveying the easement to Monterey County. The Board of Supervisors accepted the easement on February 24th and caused both the Deed and the Resolution of Acceptance to be recorded.

At the time the easement was created, the property was completely undeveloped. It is clear from the terms of the deed that the parties intended that the land would remain that way and would become a permanent open space—symbolizing the life and sacrifice of Major Frank De Amaral to his country.

The easement deed makes specific reference to the “natural beauty and existing openness” of the property. It states that both the Foundation and the County of Monterey “desire to preserve and conserve for the public benefit the natural condition [of the property] and present state of use.”

The deed's language also clarifies that the parties' intent to create a conservation and scenic easement and convey it to the County was to protect the land as open space and prohibit all development not explicitly authorized by the terms of the easement. In addition to general language barring any future use of the property that would “materially alter the landscape,” the easement deed contains prohibitions that preclude the development proposed by the applicant against the erection of buildings or structures of any kind on the land not directly related to utility purposes or the enhancement of the land as “an undeveloped scenic area.”

The 30 acres which comprise the De Amaral Preserve have remained as undeveloped, open space for more than 50 years. It is difficult to comprehend why the County of Monterey which has protected the De Amaral Preserve as open space throughout that period would even consider allowing a rezone, that directly violates the spirit of the original easement and is fundamentally inconsistent with the zoning, slope and set back provisions of the Carmel Area Land Use Plan.

— History —

The Monterey County Foundation for Conservation held title to the land, which makes up the De Amaral Preserve for ten years. During that period, Major De Amaral's family constructed a large stone bench on the property adjacent to Mt. Devon Road and installed a bronze plaque identifying the land as the “Major Frank De Amaral Memorial Preserve.”

The inscription on the plaque described the preserve and its purpose as follows:

This pine forest preserve was presented to the Monterey County Foundation for Conservation on December 13, 1966, by N.J. D'Ambrogio as a perpetual memorial to Major Frank De Amaral of the United States Army, who died in Vietnam on October 4, 1965.

Mr. D'Ambrogio also a resident of Carmel Highlands died in 1972. According to records obtained from the California Secretary of State's Office, the Foundation for Conservation was dissolved in 1984. In March 1977, the Foundation for Conservation transferred title to the De Amaral Preserve to the BSI Foundation, a non-profit corporation that was associated with the Behavioral Sciences Institute. The BSI Foundation owned the Preserve property until 1989. The Behavioral Sciences Institute itself, never held any of the land in the De Amaral Preserve. Neither the Institute nor the BSI Foundation ever proposed to develop the property in the De Amaral Preserve in any way.

In August 1989, the BSI Foundation sold the De Amaral Preserve to Walter and Loretta Warren of Carmel. The circumstances (including the amount paid for the property) surrounding the transfer from the BSI Foundation to the Warrens are unclear. However, it seems that the Behavioral Sciences Institute was insolvent at the time and had been for several years. The Warrens held the property for a little more than four years. They sold the Preserve property to an entity called the Kakis Family Revocable Trust (Jack & Mirka Eva Kakis) of Pebble Beach in November 1993 for \$108,000. Three months later, in February 1994, the Kakis Family Revocable Trust sold the property to the current owners, James G. and Sook Collins, for \$129,000.

During the 48 years between the creation of the De Amaral Preserve in 1966 and August 2014, when the current application was initially filed, no one had ever proposed to develop this property or otherwise violate any of the provisions of the Conservation and Scenic Easement. However, in December 1990, two years after they acquired the property from the BSI Foundation, Walter and Loretta Warren executed an instrument purporting to “terminate” the Conservation and Scenic Easement that the Foundation for Conservation had given to Monterey County in 1967.

Whatever their motivation, the Warrens never sought an administrative or judicial determination that the alleged termination was valid or effective. They never sought (and certainly never obtained) consent from Monterey County to termination of the easement. They did not file any legal opinion as part of the Notice of Termination. They never sought judicial confirmation of the termination via a suit to quiet title on the land. Instead, the Warrens sold the property and left it to subsequent owners to determine whether the Notice of Termination had any legal effect.

Open-space land is a valuable and increasingly scarce public resource. That is especially true of coastal land in Monterey County. Under any circumstances for the Planning Commission, there is no good reason to grant an application approval for any rezone on PLN130339, which is entirely at odds with the County's zoning and land use laws.

It would be entirely inexplicable for Monterey County to proceed with this application given the evidence that it violates the provisions of an open-space and coastal land zoning protection of fifty years.

Concerned citizens who wish to see the continued land laws upheld in order to preserve this land and oppose a rezone of this dedicated property for personal development are asked to please email their Board of Supervisors at COB@co.monterey.ca.us And the Project Planner - Anna Quenga quengaav@co.monterey.ca.us

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CAR WEEK, MAIL DELIVERY, PERMIT FIGHTS ON COUNCIL'S TUESDAY AGENDA

By MARY SCHLEY

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES director Ashlee Wright will be back before the city council again Tuesday to ask for street closures for the Concours on the Avenue in August, but the list has grown to include the Prancing Ponies and a Ferrari show, too.

Last month, the city council put off approving the closures, demanding that a Covid-19 safety plan accompany the request.

"Understanding the broader economic impacts of Car Week, staff have been working with event organizers for Concours on the Avenue throughout the spring on their event application, in particular discussing the impacts of potential Covid-19 restrictions that may still be in place this summer," Wright says in the report she'll present to the council at its June 1 meeting, including masks, distancing, sanitizing, directional walking, reducing the size of the event and requiring tickets to get in.

"In order to keep the permit process moving forward, council can authorize conditional approval of the requested street closures contingent upon state and county mandates regarding large-scale gatherings," she says. "Permit applications will not be approved until it is clear what the state and county will require and until event organizers demon-

strate how they will comply with these requirements."

Concours on the Avenue, set for Tuesday, Aug. 10, is the largest of the Car Week events downtown, with the closure of Ocean Avenue between Junipero and Monte Verde, as well as cross streets for a block in each direction, more or less.

Wright will also ask the council to OK closing parts of Dolores and Sixth for the Prancing Ponies car show Aug. 11. Last year was supposed to be the final Prancing Ponies show in town, but it and all other Car Week events were canceled due to the pandemic, so Wright is recommending letting the show take place this year, assuming the latest rules allow it.

And, since the Pebble Beach Tour d'Elegance will not be coming through Carmel, she also suggests the council authorize the closure of Dolores between Ocean and Seventh for a display of rare and expensive Ferraris hosted by Ferrari of North America.

Mail delivery

Also on the June 1 meeting agenda, council members will discuss finally implementing the changes they made to the home-mail-delivery program more than a year ago, including imposing eligibility criteria for those who should receive taxpayer-funded delivery and charging a

fee to those who simply want the convenience of it.

Most of the city's residents don't have house numbers, which means they must go to the post office to collect their mail and packages. While the box lobby used to be accessible 24/7, it is now locked from 4:30 p.m. until morning weekdays and Saturdays, and remains closed Saturday afternoon through Monday morning. Packages can only be picked up when the post office is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays and from a back window in the box lobby on Saturdays from noon to 2 p.m.

Finally, council members are set to hear requests from two people to overturn decisions made by the planning commission.

Peter Smith is fighting a neighbor's plans for adding 233 square feet and a new detached garage to a home on Camino Real south of 13th and wants the commission's approval reversed.

And Scott Hulett opposes the planning commission's refusal to grant an extension for a permit approved in 2017 to enclose a carport to convert it to storage and add a new carport elsewhere on a property at Casanova and Fourth. Commissioners denied the extension because too much time had passed and the project has changed.

Council meetings are held via Zoom. For information on how to participate, as well as a complete agenda packet, go to ci.carmel.ca.us. The meeting will begin at 4:30 p.m.

Capt. Charles Gibfried USNSC, Ret.

May 24, 1936 - May 17, 2021

Chuck Gibfried passed on May 17, one week before his 85th birthday. He was at home in Pebble Beach surrounded by his family. Chuck was a loving husband, father and friend, always quick with a story or joke. He loved sports, camping, traveling and drinking wine; sometimes all at the same time. He was a natural teacher and mentor, encouraging you to do your finest. Although he could chew-you-out with the best, he was also one of the nicest people you could meet. He was fair and generous and impressed those who knew him with his thoughtfulness; he was quick to say thank you.

Chuck was born in Chicago, Illinois and graduated from Arlington Heights High School. He received a BS in Business from the University of Illinois and later received an MS with honors from the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS) in Computer Science. While in the Navy, he served as Supply officer on the U.S.S. Blair, U.S.S. Paricutin, U.S.S. Orca and two tours on the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Enterprise. While on the U.S.S. Paricutin in the Philippines, he met the love of his life, Marilyn Wollgast, at 4:30 a.m. in the Manila Hotel elevator. Marilyn was a PanAm flight attendant and both were catching an early flight to Baguio. Their 58 year marriage was blessed with a son, Russ (Kate), daughter Kim Ireland (John), and five wonderful grandchildren: Kayla, Nate, Aubrey, Riley and Samantha.

Besides an accomplished 26 year naval career, Chuck was also a successful executive, consultant and educator with IBM, SAIC and NPS. He will be remembered by his many friends, nieces, nephews and older brother Paul. He was preceded in death by his other older brother, Jack, who survived the first wave on Omaha Beach on D-Day.



Chuck was a member of many local organizations including the St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Chapel at NPS.

The family wishes to thank and acknowledge the compassionate care provided by Dr. Mary Roberts and her staff at the VA, caregivers Teri Porteous and Yesenia Batres and the VNA Hospice Team.

Chuck will be inurned with military honors at the Central Coast Veterans Cemetery at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, June 3rd. There will be a reception to follow at the Bayonet/Black Horse Golf Course clubhouse (all are invited). In lieu of flowers, remember your loved ones and support your favorite charity.

Marilyn 'Mimi' Lewis Howarth

1928-2021

Passed away peacefully at home on April 5th, 2021, in Palo Alto, California at 92 years. Marilyn Lewis was born May 20th, 1928, in Ann Arbor Michigan, youngest daughter of The Rev. Dr. Henry and May Lewis. The Rev. Dr. Lewis was the town's Episcopal Minister, and later a Minister at St. Mark's in Palo Alto.

She was athletic in her youth, and loved playing tennis and figure skating more than anything. A talented figure skater, she hoped to join a professional skating group. She trained under skating coaches in Lake Placid and Colorado Springs, and competed in State and Regional championships.

But things changed when she decided to head west to attend Stanford University. She joined the rally squad as one of the "Dollies," the women's tennis team, and met her future husband, Tom Howarth. She received a degree in Elementary Education from Stanford University in 1950.

Marilyn married Tom in 1950 in Ann Arbor, honeymooned in Carmel, and 10 days later Tom shipped out for the Korean War. He was stationed in Tokyo, Japan, so Marilyn got on a troop ship two months later to join him. While there, she taught English to the local children. After sixteen months, they returned to settle in Atherton where they raised four boys.

She was an excellent tennis player — and a long-time member of Foothills Tennis and Swim Club, and Menlo Country Club. She was forever a fantastic mom, mother-in-law and grandmother. After the kids left for college, Marilyn and Tom divided their time between their home in Atherton of 53 years and their "Cottage" in Carmel.

Marilyn was affectionately known as "Mimi" by her family and friends. An elegant woman of style and taste, she enjoyed creating beauty in her home and surroundings. She was married to Tom for 65 years before he died in 2015. Mimi will always be remembered as a strong, caring, athletic and patient woman (had to be raising 4 boys) who put her family first. Mimi is survived by her loving sons Dave (Ann) Carmel, CA, Jeff (Brenda) Carmel, CA, Matt (Joan) Sonoma, CA, Tim (Sandi) Auburn, CA, five grandchildren, four great grandchildren, and her older sister Katherine Bailey, with whom she laughed with every day. She will be missed — especially on the first of every month when she called each son to wish them good luck with "Rabbit Rabbit."

The family is grateful for the compassionate care provided by Josie Helu. A private family celebration of life will be held later in the year. In memory, donations may be made to the Arthritis Foundation (www.arthritis.org).



Phillip 'Phil' K. Smith

1941 ♦ 2021

Phillip "Phil" K. Smith, 80, died May 13, 2021, at his Salinas, California home with his love by his side.

Phil was born to George and Eva Smith at Oakland Hospital on April 23, 1941. Raised in Aromas, California, he was the son of an apricot rancher and is remembered fondly by his cousins as a fun, nature loving boy who was an energetic jokester.

He attended Watsonville High in Watsonville, California, where he graduated in 1959. He continued his education at Cabrillo College and then San Francisco State College where he eventually earned his Master's Degree in Arts in 1967.

In 1963 Phil began working as a teacher for Carmelo Elementary school in Carmel, California. Phil spent the next 19 years working for the Carmel Unified School District, many of those years as principal of both Carmelo and Tularcitos Elementary schools. In 1986, he began a successful 31 year career as a real estate agent for Coldwell Banker/Del Monte.

A choir boy at All Saints Episcopal Church in Watsonville in his youth, he later became a Deacon at All Saints Episcopal Church in Carmel. He enjoyed nature, a good meal, and visiting with family and friends.

Phil is survived by his long-time love of 33 years, Helga Zentner; her four children; 10 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren; brother Roger Smith of San Jose, CA, and several loving cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister Marybeth; and his first love, wife Betsy (Goldstein) Smith.

A celebration of Phil's life will be held at 2 p.m. on July 17, 2021 at All Saints' Episcopal Church in Carmel.



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PG&E to upgrade power lines for condors, but locals want delay

Big Sur homeowners prefer undergrounding

By CHRIS COUNTS

TWENTY-SIX people who live on Partington Ridge in Big Sur signed a letter this week pleading with PG&E to not install taller power poles with insulated wires in their neighborhood Saturday and Sunday. Instead, they want the lines put underground.

But the utility company appears to be moving forward with the work this weekend. They say it's important to do it as soon as possible to protect endangered condors.

The upgrade includes replacing power lines with thicker, insulated "tree wire," and raising the height of power poles. PG&E said the improvements will "help protect condors and other raptors from electrocution" and strengthen "the local electric system to further reduce wildfire risk and to better withstand severe weather." The work will continue through July.

"We will be replacing approximately nine spans of electric line that run along Partington Ridge," Mayra Tostado of PG&E told The Pine Cone. "Timely completion of this work is imperative."

Locals want wires buried

While the utility company insists their project will make the fire-prone neighborhood safer from wildfires, many residents dispute that.

"The PG&E power lines that are strung on Partington Ridge have always been a concern to the owners of our community," say the residents of an area where a num-

ber of homes have been destroyed by fire in recent years. "We understand that PG&E has not conducted any environmental, archeological, or biological studies regarding the installation of the new power poles and lines — and is proceeding with the project over the objection of Partington Ridge property owners."

Residents want the power lines placed underground and say the upfront cost is the only downside.

"The only downside to undergrounding the power lines is the initial cost," they contend. "But in the long run, placing the wires underground will likely prove to be more cost effective."

While some have suggested the neighbors are mainly concerned about their viewshed, Grimes told The Pine Cone that his biggest concern is that the suspended power lines will cause a fire, which he said they once did when a helicopter clipped one.

He also noted that fires have ravaged his ridge, and several neighbors lost homes from past fires.

Tostado said residents can explore undergrounding lines in the future — presumably at their own expense — but PG&E's plan to install new poles is moving forward.

"We have discussed electric undergrounding options with the community as a choice they are able to pursue," she said.

So how much would it cost to put the lines underground?

"It costs approximately \$3 million per mile to convert underground electric distribution lines from overhead," Tostado said. "The cost to build overhead lines is \$800,000 per mile."

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Equestrian has dreams of Olympic gold but needs help with travel costs

By CHRIS COUNTS

AN EQUESTRIAN who lives in Carmel Valley, Lauren Billys has Olympic aspirations, and Folktale Winery is hosting a fundraiser for her June 12 to help pay her expenses to get to the Summer Olympic Games in Tokyo. She's hoping to raise \$75,000.

Joining her on the trip to Japan will be Purdy, a 19-year-old gelding. "After two years of waiting, we're just a few short weeks away from leaving for our trip," Billys said.

The Summer Olympics are set to start July 23. Billys had planned to compete in the games last year, but Covid shut them down. So instead, "Purdy and I hunkered down for a year of patience training," she said.

While Billys was born in the United States, she'll be representing Puerto Rico in the games, as a tribute to her grandmother's native country.

She noted that her sport is the only one in the Olympics where men and women

compete side by side for the same medals.

She earned an 18th place finish at the 2015 Pan American Games in Toronto and a 44th place finish at the 2016 Olympics in Rio de Janeiro. In Tokyo, she will compete in a variety of equestrian events over a four-day span.

Move was uncertain

The horse enthusiast grew up in Visalia, but moved to Carmel Valley to chase her ambitions of making it to the Olympics. She came here to work with noted equestrians Bea and Derek di Grazia, and she called the move a "Hail Mary" pass.

"I left behind a business and sold all my horses but one," said Billys, who teaches riding and trains horses at Stonepine Estate in Carmel Valley.

Folktale's Rose Garden and Barrel Room, 8940 Carmel Valley Road, will be the site of the event. Folktale chef Todd Fisher and Jerome's Market will prepare the food. The gathering starts at 5 p.m. and tickets, along with details to make a donation, are available at laurenbillys.com.

MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING AMONG P.G. COUNCIL GOALS

By KELLY NIX

MEMBERS OF the Pacific Grove City Council next week are expected to finalize a list of goals they want to accomplish, including adding more affordable housing, bolstering the city's social media presence and replacing gas-powered city vehicles with electric versions.

The council on June 2 is expected to finalize the list of goals, which is broken down into seven categories — completing streets, environmental stewardship, city stewardship, transparency and accountability, financial stability, affordable housing and business recovery. The elected officials discussed a draft version of the document on March 17.

In the transparency category, the city wants to establish a bidding process for city leases, "design, develop and deploy a community engagement portal," offer a cannabis outreach plan to gauge public interest in a pot shop, bolster the City of Pacific Grove's "social media platform pres-

ence," and establish town hall meetings to "roll out proposed programs and ordinance changes."

With regard to city assets, the council wants to consider a stormwater master plan, "depending on practicality and cost," to guide future stormwater infrastructure and conduct a feasibility assessment to develop a stormwater enterprise fund. It also wants to invest in city recreation and outdoor assets and to "maintain or increase" the condition of the city's paved streets.

The members will consider adopting and developing policies and ordinances that will "preserve and protect the environment."

The council also said it wants to increase availability of housing for those who can't afford to live in Pacific Grove by determining "policies, projects and programs that will advance the effort to create new affordable housing in the city." The P.G. council for years has been talking about the idea of adding more affordable housing.

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backlog from the pandemic," those charged were indicted in a single grand jury hearing rather than by multiple separate preliminary hearings, the DA's office noted.

In response to the scam, District Attorney Jeanine Pacioni created a task force which includes the Monterey County Sheriff's Office, Salinas Police, Monterey Police and Cal State University Monterey Bay Police. Together, they worked with state investigators. More arrests and charges are expected, the DA's office said.

Because officials in Washington and Sacramento wanted to get money as quickly as possible into the hands of people who lost jobs during the pandemic, the state "dispensed with many standard application vetting practices" to qualify for unemployment benefits, Pacioni said. Not only didn't you have to prove you lost a job because of the pandemic, you also didn't have to show that you had ever worked. "Consequently, many people fraudulently took advantage of the emergency to apply for benefits they were not entitled to receive," she said.

Death row, too

In one version of the scam, applicants asked to get their benefits, which could total as much as \$767 per week, via debit cards, which were then sent to addresses outside of jail. The prisoners shared the proceeds with those who assisted them the outside.

Even some prisoners on Death Row got paid for losing work due to the pandemic. Sacramento County District Attorney Anne Marie Schubert observed that "murderers, rapists and child molesters" were among the beneficiaries of the state's lack of oversight. She suggested it could be "the biggest fraud of taxpayers' dollars in California his-

tory."

Kern County District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer, meanwhile, was tipped off to the scam by a large number of money orders that were showing up in local prisons. "I've never seen fraud on this massive a scale," she said.

The story of the statewide prison scam broke last November. In February, the county DA announced the indictments of seven residents who participated in it.

In January, state labor secretary Julie Su — who is

nominated for deputy labor secretary in the Biden administration — confirmed that more than \$11 billion in taxpayers funds were given away to fraudsters, with the number likely being far higher.

"Of the \$114 billion in unemployment paid by California since March, approximately 10 percent has been confirmed as fraudulent," Su said. "An additional 17 percent of the paid claims have been identified as potentially fraudulent."

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Len Tweten

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1927-2021

Nearing his 89th birthday, Len Tweten decided it was time for a new motorcycle. He had his eye on the newly re-issued red Indian Scout, so he bought the bike, hired a coach and trained at Cathedral City Motocross. The decision, at his age, was emblematic of a man who lived according to the famous phrase of a man he idolized, Winston Churchill: "Never, never, never give up."



As of the 2010 census, the town of Hamberg, North Dakota, had a population of 21. Len was born there on May 9, 1927, to Lillian Halverson, Swedish, and Leonard Tweten, Norwegian. He delighted in his Scandinavian heritage for the rest of his life, often punctuating his speech with "Oofta Meg da," a Norwegian expression of surprise. The family lived in a one room cabin without electricity or running water, with the proverbial Sears catalog in the outhouse. Along with younger brother Del and sister Lavone, the family would move to Devils Lake, another small town in North Dakota, where Len remembered happy childhood years. Seeking work during the Depression, Len's father moved the family to Seattle, where Leonard Sr. would become a skilled finish carpenter. Len struggled through high school, and the principal called him into his office one day during his junior year for some sage advice. "Len, it appears you won't amount to much, why don't you consider joining the Navy?" So he did.

He was stationed on a fire-fighting ship in the Pacific, received an honorable discharge and returned to Seattle. Len soon met a dark haired Irish American nurse, Eileen Dermody, who would become his wife. They remained married for over fifty years. Eileen helped Len finish his education, supporting him during his years at the University of Washington, where he graduated with a degree in accounting. It was Eileen's father, a modest plumbing parts salesman, who would introduce Len to his life-long passion, the stock market.

Although Len considered his graduation "a miracle," he was soon hired as an accountant for Seattle building contractor, Gene Conger. Gene, whom Len credited as his mentor, saw the unmistakable talent, and offered to put Len in business with a 500' store in the Magnolia District of Seattle. "And what should we sell?" Len asked. Gene replied "Well, how about cameras and some greeting cards." In 1954 Magnolia Camera and Stationers was born.

Len and Eileen, with her father's help, would soon buy out their partner Gene. Len concentrated on the business, happily working seven days a week, while Eileen devoted herself to a growing family of two sons and two daughters. Aware of the burgeoning music scene in the '60s, Len decided to add a

newly developed compact stereo system to his inventory. The daily crowd of college students fixated on the new sounds was hard to ignore, and without hesitation, he re-christened the store Magnolia Hi-Fi. He sold all his greeting cards for a penny a piece, counting out the change himself to his customers. It was now Magnolia Hi Fi. As Len liked to say "I caught a wave."

Into the '70s Len would ride that wave of music and stereos, expanding Magnolia Hi-Fi to two stores, then three, and eventually eighteen retail locations in the Pacific Northwest. Early on Len had approached a local bank for a loan and was denied credit. He never asked again and never took a loan. He never had a mortgage. He wanted only the best service and equipment for his customers and he traveled the world to find it. He was the first in the industry to showcase international design with components from Bose and Bang & Olufsen. But Len was happiest on the sales floor greeting all who came through his doors with, "Can I show you something new?" With his older son Jim now working alongside him, Len added television to the store's stock, pioneering the concept of "home theater." By the '80s, a remarkably successful Len was advised by his accountants that he should consider tax shelters. Len said "Nah, I'll just make more money."

Magnolia Audio Visual had achieved a reputation as the best electronics retailer in the nation, attracting impressive suitors for a buy-out and In 1988, Magnolia was sold and incorporated into Best Buy. "All cash," Len would always say with a big smile.

Len enjoyed riding his Harley Davidson at the family home in Sun Valley, skiing with his children and grandchildren in the winters and vacationing in Hawaii. In 2013, Len, along with son Jim, would receive the highest honor in their field: an induction into the Consumers Electronics Hall of Fame for their contribution to the industry.

After Eileen's death in 2010, Len began, at the age of 82, a new life with Rebecca Rutledge, a native Californian, and they married in 2011. In 2015, they would honeymoon in London and renew their vows in Paris, his first trip there. In addition to their home in Palm Desert, they summered in Monterey where Len would play golf at his beloved Pebble Beach and surrounding clubs. Len was also happy to be an early member of Big Horn and The Madison Club and others. He loved his friends, family, cars, music, golf, and in his last years, home life with his wife, dog Charlie, and their devoted Karla. He remained an avid and skilled investor each and every weekday of his adult life.

His dear friend John Sato encouraged Len to start a charitable foundation. Of all his accomplishments, Len was most proud of The Tweten Foundation. Len and Rebecca found joy in supporting Eisenhower Health, Big Horn BAM, The Desert Cancer Foundation, SPCA Monterey and many others. "Doing good" is what he called it. Shortly before his death at home on May 18, he told his wife Rebecca "I've never been happier in my life." He celebrated his 94th birthday with granddaughters Lauren and Kristi surrounding him with love and laughter.

To know Len Tweten was to know he was part Forest Gump, part Warren Buffet, part Rockstar and all Len Tweten. He responded to every form of beauty innocently and without judgment. Most significantly, Len was that rarest of men: both wonderfully successful and relentlessly humble, generous and grateful for every opportunity given him. He never hesitated and he never rushed and he never, never, never gave up . . .

Len Tweten was predeceased by his first wife Eileen, his two sons Scott and Jim, grandson Jamie, and brother Del. He is survived by his wife Rebecca, sister Lavone (Chuck) Layman, daughters Janet (James) Houston, and Nancy (Terry) Crowe, four granddaughters, one great-granddaughter, and half-sister, Annemarie (Peter) Wick.

A private memorial will be held in the fall to celebrate the life of Len Tweten. He lived the American dream and loved life deeply. In lieu of flowers, a donation to the afore-mentioned charities in his honor will be received with gratitude by the family.

The namesake run may be at its end, but Love keeps its spirit going

IN THE 1960s, when Susan Love played high school basketball, girls were considered much too fragile to run the full court, so they played half-court games.

In the 1970s, when she started jogging, people would point and stare. In Europe, where she lived briefly, they'd

to prepare better for the next one.

An ambassador for running

That experience, and others that followed, inspired the longtime Monterey Peninsula resident (her home is near Carmel High) to become a transformational ambassador for the sport.

■ Love served for 15 years as a volunteer board member for the Big Sur International Marathon and conducted multiple training clinics alongside former U.S. Olympian and author Jeff Galloway for distance runners.

■ She was the local founder of Run in the Name of Love, a 2K/5K Father's Day run that attracted thousands of participants who wore race bibs bearing the names of friends and loved ones who had passed away.

■ And, perhaps most notably, she became Big Sur International Marathon's staff director of Just Run, a fitness program developed by Salinas running guru Mike Dove, in which 200,000 children at about 250 schools (55 in Monterey County) spread over 43 states and nine foreign countries combined to run 4.3 million miles.

Sadly, the coronavirus pandemic forced the cancella-

tion of the 10th annual Run in the Name of Love — a race that began in Virginia as a fundraiser to honor Brian "B.J." Love, Susan's 22-year-old son. B.J. was a scholar, artist and athlete (ranked No. 1 on the University of Virginia's snowboarding team), who was killed in a snowboarding accident in 2005. He was four months from graduating magna cum laude, and was secretly training for his first marathon at the time as a surprise for his mom.

Run in the name of love

Susan Love traveled to Virginia to run in the first four races held in honor of her son, then moved the event to Carmel in 2011 in collaboration with Sunset Center, the city and the chamber of commerce. She said Run in the Name of Love is unlikely to return.

The pandemic also forced the suspension of Just Run, which Dove, another well known running ambassador, developed 15 years ago in response to a loss of school funding, resulting in the widespread termination of physical education programs.

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

shout angrily from passing cars in languages she didn't speak.

And, of course, there was widespread paranoia stemming from this 1898 theory, published by a physician in the German Journal of Physical Education, declaring that "violent movements of the body can cause a loosening of the uterus, resulting in sterility, thus defeating a woman's true purpose in life, i.e., the bringing forth of strong children."

Will this be the day?

"I can remember running long distances along Scenic Road in the 1970s, wondering if this would be the day that my uterus falls," said Love, who subsequently gave birth to two athletic children, and, 50 years later, still runs almost daily along Scenic.

At 72, she has finished 37 marathons (best time, 3:27), winning her age division or placing on the podium in most, including 14 Big Sur International Marathons. She first ran Big Sur in 1991 at the suggestion of a local surgeon.

"I said, 'Yeah, sure ... I have three months to train,'" remembered Love, who today is acutely aware that runners typically train much longer, especially for their first marathon.

"I did everything wrong and was miserable," she said. "I started off too fast. I had never tried Gatorade before, and drank so much that I was sick. And as I ran, I was telling myself, 'Never again ... never, ever again!'"

But Love finished the 26.2-mile race, and as she crossed the finish line, she felt overwhelmed with feelings of pride, accomplishment and elation, and just a half-hour later, she had decided



PHOTOS/COURTESY SUSAN LOVE

(Left) Susan Love is congratulated by her daughter, Amy, in the medical tent after her final Big Sur Marathon. (Above) Love demonstrates a drill for children while Mike Dove, creator of the Just Run program, looks on.

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SPORTS

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“Most P.E. teachers were laid off, so classroom teachers were mandated to provide students with 200 minutes of P.E. every 10 days,” Love explained.

“The program Mike developed was a great solution for those teachers, because it was free, easy to implement, and it included incentives,” she said.

The Just Run website included easy-to-follow steps that enabled teachers to implement and run the program for their own classes.

“The instructions are like a cookbook — teachers just have to follow the outline and be enthusiastic,” said Love, who has a lengthy background in education, teaching biology and science at Santa Catalina School and the International School in Geneva, Switzerland, then working 17 years in various capacities at Carmel River School.

Love’s interest in running began when she started dating a Monterey Peninsula College track coach. She kept jogging during her short stint in Europe, then accelerated when she returned to the United States and discovered a new nationwide enthusiasm for the sport.

Changing the landscape

“Frank Shorter had won the Olympic gold medal in the marathon at Munich in 1972, and a running boom swept through the country,” she said. “Suddenly, there were stores where you could buy real running shoes and running clothes, and Dr. Kenneth Cooper, the father of aerobics,

was writing and talking at the same time about the impact of sedentary lifestyles and junk foods on our health, and the positive effects of exercise, so people were out there jogging and running.”

Love ran her final five marathons in honor of her son, all in Big Sur, winning her age division every year. The most memorable — one of her most difficult — was the last, in 2009.

“I was really struggling when I crossed the finish line, so they took me to the medical tent and hooked me up to two IVs,” she remembered. “Meanwhile, people at the awards ceremony were wondering why I wasn’t onstage. I looked up, and my daughter, Amy, was walking into the tent with a bouquet of flowers, and chairman of the race, Hugo Ferlito, was carrying my first-place plaque. I was completely surprised.”

Family affair

Nowadays, Love often runs on Scenic Road, pushing her 11-month-old grandson, Logan, in a jogging stroller, alongside her daughter, Amy (Carmel High ’02), who has competed in triathlons and once ran a 50-miler with her husband, Jonathan. Life is good.

“For me, running has always been wonderful therapy — a time to think and reflect,” she said. “If you get up in the morning, get your run in, then do nothing else for the rest of the day, at least you’ve accomplished something. It’s that kind of feeling.”

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parents also called in to the meeting to welcome Knight and commend the board for finding such a well-qualified person to take the job.

Can handle challenges

In the statement released Friday, the board said Knight, 44, emerged as the top choice because of his “collaborative leadership style and collective educational experience, coupled with his ability to navigate significant challenges.”

Knight, who obtained his bachelor’s degree in industrial science and technology with a minor in education from the University of Southern Colorado, holds master’s degrees in curriculum, instruction and technology, as well as in administration and supervision, and has other special degrees in curriculum and administration.

He has worked in education for more than two decades, holding administrative positions at the elementary, middle, high school, and central office levels. As assistant superintendent of Douglas County Schools in Colorado, he also serves as the district’s compliance officer, ensuring no one discriminates against anyone for any reason, and overseeing discrimination prevention and training. Knight, CUSD officials said, “is known for uniting all stakeholders around a common vision, effectively communicating that vision, collaboratively developing processes, and successfully leading the implementation of strategies,” and his “record demonstrates a consistent focus on making decisions in the best interests of students.”

In addition to stating his base salary and that he is required to work 225 days (45 weeks) a year, the contract says it can be extended by a year every time Knight receives a positive annual evaluation from the board. The 16-page agreement also stipulates he will get per-diem pay for any additional days he works, \$500 per month “for travel expenses/mileage reimbursement to facilitate regular visits to school

sites,” and full medical benefits.

He accumulates 12 sick days a year but cannot get paid cash for unused sick time. The contract does not provide for any retirement benefits.

Within 60 days after signing, Knight must undergo a physical exam and obtain a confidential report from his physician for the board that ensures he’s in good health and can do the job, and then must have annual physicals thereafter.

“If at any time the superintendent is diagnosed with a medical condition that affects his ability to perform the essential functions of the position, the superintendent shall notify the board of such, and, if appropriate, engage in the interactive process with the board or its representative,” the agreement reads.

That clause speaks to the district’s experience with a prior superintendent, Scott Laurence, who was hired after an extensive search and then left in less than a year due to medical reasons.

After the vote to approve the contract, board President Sara Hinds invited Knight to speak.

“I am truly honored to have been chosen as the superintendent of Carmel Unified and I am so excited to get out there and start meeting with stakeholders,” he said. “I’m eager to bring my transparent and collaborative leadership style to both the school district and the community.”

Right choice

Knight said he would spend his first few months “listening so that I fully understand the values and the history of the district and the community before we collectively forge a path forward,” and he thanked the board for already making him feel “valued and at home.”

He said his experiences so far have convinced him “this is the right place and this was the right decision.”

At Friday’s online town hall, Knight will speak, and people will have the opportunity to submit questions.

Alicia Krueger, a reporter from the Carmel High School newspaper, will moderate. For information on how to participate, go to carmelunified.org.



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The starting line of the 2012 Run in the Name of Love. Until the pandemic, it was an annual event that took runners on 2K and 5K courses through Carmel.

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BY LARRY MESLER

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Editorial

COTA has earned its place

THE EVENT has been around so long, most people have forgotten the reasons why Concours on the Avenue was approved in the first place, and with Car Week having grown in recent years beyond what anybody could have imagined even 15 years ago, it's easy to see why some people think the Monterey Peninsula's summertime automotive events have gotten too big.

But at the center of a week that can be noisy, overly crowded and even obnoxious, there are a handful of events that are so worthwhile, it's important to keep their virtues in mind and not let them become tainted by the excesses of what happens elsewhere. The Concours on the Avenue is definitely one of the good ones, and it deserves to have its permit extended on a long-term basis, not only as a way of showing gratitude for its charitable purpose, economic benefits and generous dose of civic pride, but also as a way of acknowledging how much fun Concours on the Avenue is and how nicely it aligns with the Monterey Peninsula's traditional role at the center of the classic car universe.

The tradition goes back to 1950, when the Pebble Beach Road Races gave classic car owners a chance to display the finest examples in their personal collections to friends and neighbors. That first year, with just 30 cars on exhibit, was mostly a social occasion, but it was such a hit, the Concours d'Elegance started to grow into something very special, especially after it moved to the stunning location — the 18th Fairway at Pebble Beach — it occupies today.

The success of the Pebble Beach Concours was such that by the 1980s, it had become famous across the world and was drawing classic car owners and fans from around the globe. Since classic car collecting is perhaps the most expensive and extravagant hobby ever invented, the economic benefits to the Monterey Peninsula's businesses and charities had also become so evident, everybody wanted to get in on the action.

But those benefits were not evenly distributed. In Carmel, Car Week was something of a dud, especially at the beginning of the week. Sure, the Tour d'Elegance pulled into town on Thursday, but in Carmel-by-the-Sea, nothing else happened.

All that changed in the early 2000s when Doug and Genie Freedman dreamt up the idea of Concours on the Avenue and pitched it for Ocean Avenue on Tuesdays during Car Week — a perfect time to help fill the town's hotels, restaurants and shops, but do so in a way that was compatible with Carmel charm and lifestyle, while also supporting one of the town's most important nonprofits, the Carmel Foundation.

Positioned just below the Concours d'Elegance on the scale of classic car perfection, Concours on the Avenue drew plenty of impressive examples of classic Bentleys, Ferraris and Aston Martins, but also drew dozens of examples of cars that were just plain fun. And seeing them was free. As the event matured, the combination of Carmel charm, automotive elegance and hot-rod playfulness was irresistible, and Concours on the Avenue became a favorite — if not the favorite — not only of Car Week visitors, but of Monterey Peninsula residents.

Lately, some members of the Carmel City Council have started expressing doubts about whether the Concours on the Avenue should get its permit every year. If they have doubts, it can only be because they have failed to see what a difference the event made as soon as it was launched.

Car Week cannot be allowed to get out of control. At the same time, we must not lose sight of the benefits the week's best events bring. Concours on the Avenue is definitely one of the best, and we want to see it on Ocean Avenue every year.

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Not all investigations are equal

Dear Editor,

On reading your story on Rep. Jimmy Panetta's vote for a commission to investigate the Jan. 6 the Capitol attack, our congressman's view seems one-sided.

Like 99 percent of Americans, my heart sank when I heard about the uncivil protest at Capitol Hill. Up to that point, the rioting throughout 2020 was one-sided and terribly destructive. The last thing Americans want is for the battle to be escalated. Sadly, Jimmy Panetta seems to be among those who relish the destruction and anger.

The damage done to the Capitol was meaningful. Yes, tens of thousands of dollars in repairs were required. Yes, some people were hurt. Sadly, one person, Trump supporter Ashli Babbitt, was shot by police in what appears a negligent discharge. Her actions were wrong but did not warrant deadly force.

Contrast this with the billions of dollars of damage done in over 50 cities nationwide by the Black Lives Matter movement. Dozens were shot dead by rioters. Many were beaten mercilessly by riotous crowds. Whole communities are destroyed even to this day, one year later.

Panetta wants conservatives investigated, yet on the BLM riots, he is silent.

Jeff Gorman, Carmel

Rancho Cañada delay

Dear Editor,

Let Alan Wilson and Clint Eastwood build the Rancho Cañada project for goodness sake! For too many years we have had no-growth elitists holding up projects and strangling the development of water so that housing in Monterey County has been stifled. To have a project take 17 years to get approval is beyond the pale, and just shows why California and Monterey are failing our own residents.

These same elitists used to say "you need to add some affordable housing" for any project. Then they put in a law that 20 percent had to be "affordable" (but mandated it be built with expensive union labor); then 25 percent; then 35 percent. Because those policies failed, some of them are now saying 50 percent of housing should be "affordable" — and some have even said publicly it is the only housing that should be built.

We need housing of all kinds in both our county and the state. The elitists who strangle water and housing development are killing our children's dreams, and most

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Honoring the fallen at the start of summer is a venerable tradition

ON MONDAY, May 31, our nation will once again recognize Memorial Day. When I was growing up near a small town in western Michigan, many of us still called it “Decoration Day,” and it was always celebrated on May 30. The day of the week did not matter.

We kids would decorate our bicycles with red, white and blue crepe paper and small American flags, and join the town parade. Members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars marched in their various uni-

ber of the band and in my second year of high school in 1971, the date of Memorial Day was changed to the last Monday in May. Michigan, a century earlier in 1871, had become the first state to declare the day a state holiday. Every other state soon followed, but, amazingly, it wasn’t an official national holiday until 1971.

A long tradition

Humans have decorated the graves of their war dead for centuries, and the tradition became widespread in the United States after the devastating losses of the Civil War. Maj. Gen. John A. Logan, first president of the newly organized national veterans’ organization known as Grand Army of the Republic, proclaimed May 30 as the day when the graves of the war dead should be decorated in remembrance of their sacrifice. That year, GAR chapters across the nation honored the dead on Decoration Day, May 30, 1868. At Arlington National Cemetery, Maj. Gen. James A. Garfield (later the 20th U. S. President) gave the official speech, and thousands of volunteers decorated the graves.

No less profound, and much shorter than Garfield’s speech, were the words of

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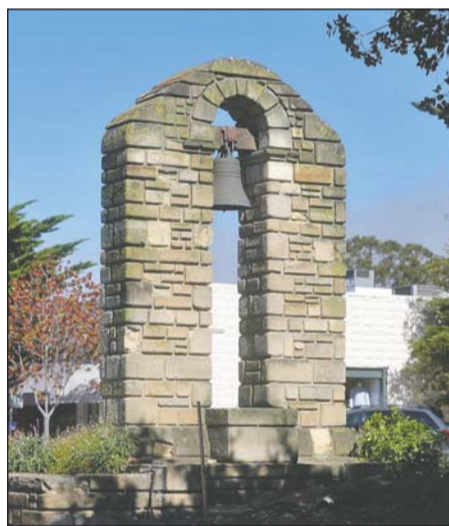
History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

forms, the high school band played patriotic tunes, and dignitaries — including the town’s own World War II Medal of Honor awardee, Staff Sgt. John C. Sjogren — rode in convertibles.

Our colorful bikes would bring up the rear as we paraded through town and up to the cemetery where the graves of veterans were decorated with flags and flowers. Town leaders gave prayers and speeches before the sounds of a 21-gun salute rang out to honor those who had died in various wars. Such was the patriotic environment in which I was raised.

When I was older, I marched as a mem-



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Carmel’s war memorials include (clockwise, from top left) the World War I arch in the median of Ocean Avenue and three plaques in Devendorf Park in honor of locals who gave their lives in World War II, the Korean War and in Vietnam.

On being a world-famous artist

SIMON BULL was just 15 when he began dating his future wife, and a year later they had a conversation that might have convinced him she was the woman of his dreams.

“When I was 16, I asked Joanna for permission to become a famous artist,” he remembered. “And she said, ‘Well, you can become an artist ... but you don’t have to become famous.’”

Unconditional love is a wonderful asset in a relationship — Simon and Joanna have been married for more than 40 years — but the British-born painter left nothing to chance: He became world-famous anyway, which turned out to be a great business decision.

“I told her way back then that there was no point, from a marketing perspective, in becoming an artist who isn’t famous. You’ve got to be both,” he reflected. “And she said, ‘OK, well, go on then.’”

Bull is a multi-faceted colorist, internationally acclaimed for oversized, gestural florals — some are 4 feet tall — in spectacular hues, trees in full blossom (he was the official artist for the 2019 National Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington D.C.), nature and wildlife, objective and nonobjective abstracts, and some famous portraits.

‘The Greatest’

In 2007, he was one of several artists invited to create a series of paintings celebrating the achievements of heavyweight boxing legend Muhammad Ali. Ali and his wife, Lonnie, personally chose Bull for the project, sent a limo from Phoenix, where the Alis lived, to Tucson (where Bull was attending a show) to transport him to a

meeting, then commissioned him to create portraits for commercial use and for the Muhammad Ali Museum in Louisville, Ky.

“Ali and Lonnie unexpectedly fell in love with the art I had done and asked if I could do some for their home,” Bull said. “Then, they asked if I could paint a portrait of Ali and President Obama together as a gift for the inauguration.”

Quick trip for pants

Bull flew to Washington, D.C. on the eve of the inauguration to attend the Kentucky Bluegrass Ball, ate pizza with the Alis in their hotel room, and unveiled his painting, assisted by actress Ashley Judd, for the VIP audience.

“The most nerve-racking part wasn’t the

Carmel’s Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

unveiling. That moment came one hour before I was due onstage, when I was getting dressed and realized I had left my pants behind,” he recalled. “Suddenly, I found myself trying to figure out how I was going to give my speech to the great and the good while wearing only a jacket and tie.”

Bull caught a last-minute cab to a tuxedo rental shop, and subsequently made his speech. Then, with help from the actress, he wrestled the painting around the stage to keep it safe while The Temptations danced wildly, performing “My Girl” for Lonnie Ali.

The artist was born in Bedfordshire, England, the second of four children. His father, a preacher, was an officer in the Royal Army Chaplains Department, and the military life took the family to postings in Guyana, Hong Kong, Germany and Northern Ireland.

At age 7, Bull was sent to a boarding academy, Ripon Cathedral Choir School in Yorkshire (1965-1969), then to Royal Russell School in Surrey (1969-1976). He took a year-long course at Gloucestershire College of Art and Design, then graduated with honors in 1980 from Leeds Polytechnic with a bachelor’s degree in fine art.

“Being sent to boarding school at such a young age meant I had a rich and colorful childhood that was oddly out of whack, because I never lived at home with my parents again,” he said.

Bull was 17 when he made his first sale (price: 15 pounds) to a teacher, who recently posted a photo of the painting of a silver fox cub on his Facebook page.

“That’s pretty epic — I sold him that painting in 1976, and it’s still on his wall, the centerpiece of his little collection al-

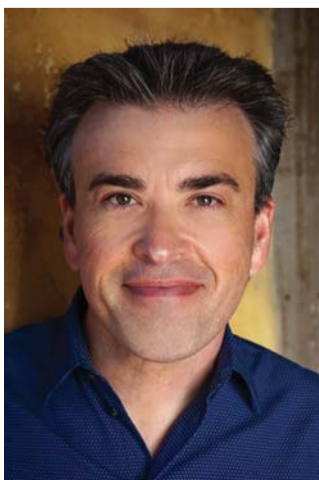


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Simon Bull, a British-born Carmel painter, is known worldwide for large, brilliant florals, portraits of Muhammad Ali and Barack Obama, and other work.

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HISTORY

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Billy Wheeler, a seventh-grader at Sunset School, published in the June 2, 1933, Pine Cone:

"Many years have passed since the great day when our men marched off to give their lives to make our country free. Now, when May 30th rolls around, we recognize it as a day to hang garlands and flowers in memory of soldiers who died for a brave and just cause. Let us set this day aside from all others in a corner by itself.

"We might be more patriotic if we knew something about Memorial or Decoration Day. This came from a custom in the South, when the people would decorate the graves of the dead Confederates. Today, both the North and the South observe this day in memory of all people who died in wars for a righteous cause. And in Carmel, the students of Sunset School realize the significance of Memorial Day."

Respect, play

After World War I, America modified Decoration Day to include the remembrance of those lost in all wars. Of the Friday holiday that year, The Pine Cone reported, "The local public school will be

closed and the post office will maintain Sunday hours. The three grocery stores will be closed all day." In 1921, The Pine Cone reported that California recognized 10 holidays, but only four were compulsory school holidays.

"If no holiday is granted on Decoration Day, it is perhaps because schoolwork is behind, and the time could be better spent in study," the newspaper said.

Carmel didn't exist during the Civil War, and the nearly two dozen local men who served in WWI all survived, which meant there were no Carmel veterans' graves to adorn on Decoration Day. This is not to say that locals had no respect for those who served. On Armistice Day, Nov. 11, 1921, the city had a parade and ceremony to lay the cornerstone for the Memorial Fountain Arch on Ocean Avenue at San Carlos.

Today, more than treating it as a day of remembrance, we seem to celebrate Memorial Day as the beginning of summer. A review of our history shows that even a century ago, it was a day for play.

On May 30, 1922, there was a brief Memorial Day ceremony at the Arch's cornerstone followed by a big baseball game and picnic. The Reds scored eight runs on 19 hits, defeating the Blues, who scored five runs on 13 hits.

Carmel's VFW Post No. 512 was established in 1934 and has since taken the

lead in local Memorial Day ceremonies, especially after Carmel lives began to be lost in World War II. On April 23, 1942, 23-year-old Lt. Gordon Bain, serving with a British Royal Air Force squadron, was shot down in an air battle over Scotland. Bain, the son of contractor Miles Bain, moved to Carmel as a youth in the mid-1920s. He graduated from Monterey High and learned flying as a student at Salinas Junior College.

More monuments

Post No. 512 moved quickly and arranged for a boulder from the south Carmel riverbank to be installed at Devendorf Park for a Memorial Day ceremony on Saturday, May 30, 1942. A marble insert was added, on which the names of the dead would be carved. Bain's name was on the stone within weeks of his passing, and at noon, the ceremony included the playing of taps and the firing of a salute to the fallen serviceman by an honor guard from Fort Ord. As expected, more names were carved on the stone (and later a bronze plaque) as World War II stretched on to 1945.

Sadly, wars have continued and, in 1968, Post No. 512 began raising funds for a third monument. A planned bronze plaque would list the names of those who lost their lives in the conflicts of Korea and Vietnam. A boulder on which it would be mounted arrived in March 1969 from a quarry owned by the father of Maj. Frank de Amara Jr., who had served in Korea and was killed in action in Vietnam on Oct. 4, 1965. His name was on the plaque displayed at Memorial Day ceremonies in 1969.

The completed monument was installed in the median at Ocean and Lincoln and dedicated on Flag Day, July 14, 1969.

To the frustration of city leaders, the new monument attracted flowers — lots of flowers — that created a litter problem in the downtown area. The monument was

CARMEL'S HEROES

Remembering Those Lost in World War II



by Diane Lewis Hanger

A 2009 book by Diane Lewis Hanger profiles the 20 Carmel area residents killed in World War II, including her brother, Carlyle Lewis. The book can be downloaded at www.pineconearchive.com/carmelsheroes.pdf.

moved to Devendorf Park, where, at the 1972 Memorial Day ceremony, a flagpole was dedicated with the raising of a flag which had flown over the U.S. Capitol.

When the Department of Defense observed the 50th anniversary of the Korean War in 2000, Post No. 512 began plans for a separate memorial for the Korean War. It was installed and dedicated at Devendorf Park on Memorial Day 2003.

While you enjoy Memorial Day weekend this year, consider a visit to Devendorf Park, and say a prayer of thanks for all those who have served, and especially those who gave their lives.

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SEWER

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has its sewage treatment plant north of Marina, to operate and maintain its infrastructure.

"We've been conversing with these organizations and recognize this is a challenging time to propose a significant rate increase," agency spokesman Mike McCullough told The Pine Cone Wednesday. "The board, however, is greatly concerned about reliability of service if we do not begin to address our aging infrastructure."

McCullough said 79 percent of the revenue generated from the rate increases would help fund capital improvement projects "or position the agency to better respond to its capital needs," while 19 percent would go toward "increased operational costs." The remaining 2 percent would fund Monterey One Water employ-

ees' pensions and "personnel obligations."

Revenue from the rate increases would not — Monterey One has promised — help fund the Pure Water Monterey reclamation project or the Castroville Seawater Intrusion Project.

The business groups, however, told Monterey One's directors that the agency "has not provided sufficient justification for raising rates for a second time in a single year," which "amounts to a 71 percent increase" in rates over 12 months.

"We ask for more transparency on the necessity of these increases and strongly oppose the rate schedule as presented to the public," the letter says. It also urges the board to suspend the proposed rate schedule.

Go to montereyonewater.org to watch the June 7 hearing, which starts at 6 p.m.

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ARTIST

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most 45 years later," Bull noted with a laugh.

In 2000, he won the British Fine Art Trade Guild's Artist Print Award as the top-selling original print artist in Great Britain. In 2002, Bull was selected, along with fellow artists Thomas Kinkade and Howard Behrens, to create artwork commemorating the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City.

Discovering a village

Bull and his wife were introduced to Carmel by Kinkade, whose distribution company became Bull's U.S. representative. They opened a gallery in the Barnyard shopping center in 2000 and moved to Carmel in 2003, into a home near River Beach, where he creates his artwork. He became an American citizen in 2011.

"Wrestling the business side to the ground and keeping it under control is definitely a project," he said. "Most people with a business spend all their time on the business. As an artist, you have to get all the plates spinning, then retreat into this sort of dreamworld to paint your pictures. You come out of that trance and hope the plates are still spinning."

At 63, the six-time grandfather said he's still growing and evolving artistically.

"I retain that sense of wonder," he said. "I've gone from being a bit abstract and crazy to a more realistic look, so I wander around with a big smile on my face most days because I've discovered something new. That's what excites me."

He is one of 10 artists chosen to decorate large, three-dimensional resin hearts for "The Heart of Carmel," a temporary exhibit to be showcased this summer on city streets. The hearts will be publicly auctioned in the fall.

He is completing a series of paintings of tulips, each 48 by 48 inches.

Bull's artwork can be viewed at Meuse Gallery, his showroom on the southeast corner of Ocean and Monte Verde, and can be seen online at meusegallery.com and bullart.com.

PARK

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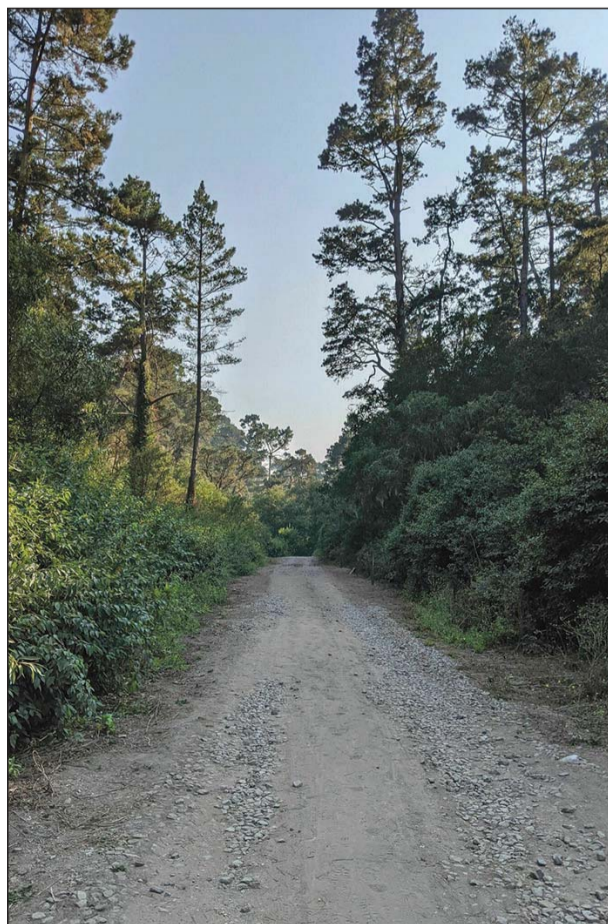
in the new park will go. "Now the real work starts and we can dive in," Marshall said.

A parking area will also be discussed. "It's actually one of our top priorities," he added.

The plan suggests considering "the adaptive reuse of historic buildings, such as the gatehouse, the Hudson House, or historic ranch and farm structures." It also encourages finding housing for staff off-site to "allow reuse of some existing staff residences."

Marshall noted that there are talks about using property next to the Crossroads shopping center for a parks shuttle service, but said it won't interfere with other uses of the land, such as the Big Sur International Marathon.

Once the site of a proposed freeway, Hatton Canyon became state park land in 2002 after activists successfully defeated the highway plan. Point Lobos Ranch, meanwhile, was acquired by state parks for \$13 million in a series of transactions ending in 2006.



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Remember the many

Dear Editor:

Monday marks another Memorial Day, and I am hopeful that the residents of the Monterey Peninsula will take a little time to think about the many locals who served their country in the armed forces and related capacities, and especially those who gave their lives so that we can enjoy the freedom that many people only dream of.

Most people know the names of the famous members of the armed forces who've lived in our area: General Jimmy Doolittle, General Joseph Stillwell, Clint Eastwood and, of course, Jimi Hendrix.

But there were many others who served our nation and had strong ties with the Central Coast. Former Carmel City Council member Paula Hazdovac had an uncle who was killed at Pearl Harbor; and almost all of us know somebody from the Peninsula who was killed in the wars in Vietnam, Afghanistan and Iraq. And there are scores of others whose service is simply unknown to most of us. For example, former mayor of Carmel Sue McCloud served for years in the CIA; developer Alan Williams was very nearly killed in Vietnam as he flew a helicopter to rescue fellow soldiers during a major attack; and former Carmel Councilman Jim Wright was a Navy Academy graduate who was awarded a Bronze Star with a "combat v." There are so many others who are no longer with us who deserve our gratitude, people like Dick Nystrom (U.S. Navy), and Bob Koontz (U.S. Air Force). And don't forget the scores of other locals who are still living and who quietly know what they did for us: Carmel Police Chief Paul Tomasi (U.S.

Army); Monterey County Bank CEO Charles Chritzberg (Army National Guard); airplane salesman Jack Kendall (U.S. Army); IT specialist Kirk Conway (U.S. Army); Carmel landlord Jody LeTowt (U.S. Army); Monterey attorney Hugo Gerstl (U.S. Army); Carmel Attorney Dick Gorman (U.S. Army); retired salesperson John Wagner (U.S. Army); retired businessman Mick McMahon (U.S. Navy); former White House staffer Ken Bernard (U.S. Navy); and former schoolteacher Carl Iverson (U.S. Army). So when you hear the scores of ads that make Memorial Day seem more like a huge commercial holiday than a time to remember, please know that we still have real heroes among us. And it is fortunate that we do.

Gerard A. Rose, Carmel

Salinas gets accolades for nursing excellence

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

A SALINAS hospital announced this week that it's received the "gold standard" for nursing excellence, a designation given to a small number of hospitals that meet meticulous standards for the profession.

Salinas Valley Memorial Healthcare System said Wednesday it had been recognized as a "Magnet" hospital by the American Nurses Credentialing Center, which distinguishes organizations that meet "rigorous standards for nursing excellence."

"Achieving Magnet recognition, especially in the face of Covid-19 is a testament to our staff and our high standards," Pete Delgado, President and CEO of the Salinas hospital said. "Achieving Magnet recognition reinforces our culture and commitment to patient care."

CORRECTION

PATRICE PASTOR'S new plans for his Scenic Road project involve demolishing the middle house of the three he owns, not the southernmost, as reported in last week's Pine Cone.

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SHERIFF

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“without legal authority.”

“It is not the function of a deputy sheriff to act merely as a conference shuttle driver,” she wrote. “Taxpayers should not have to fund conference shuttle services at all, let alone at the rate billed by a deputy sheriff.”

As a result, McKee and county counsel Les Girard recommended the supervisors censure Bernal for “failure to faithfully perform his duties by allowing inappropriate expenditures of county funds.” Neither explained why the issue was arising so long after they received the DA’s report.

According to the resolution, the board is “concerned that county funds were used to pay for transportation services provided to the convention that were outside the normal duties of sheriff’s office employees, and believes it was inappropriate to assign employees to such duties with no benefit to the citizens of Monterey County,” and that

county-owned fuel and ammunition were used without compensation.

“The sheriff is directed to take steps to ensure that such actions do not occur again, including informing his senior management that the above-described occurrences were improper,” it reads.

Calls for audit

At Tuesday’s meeting, no one from the public defended Bernal or his department, and several speakers roundly criticized the sheriff’s office and other law enforcement agencies for spending too much money and otherwise violating the public trust.

“Are you going to hold your beloved sheriffs accountable for what they’ve been doing with our community’s budget?” asked one speaker. “It is apparent they have no shame or respect for the community they’re serving.”

“We’ve been here month after month — years — asking for this accountability that hasn’t happened,” said Salinas resident Carla Lobo, who complained about budgets being “misspent year after year.”

Bernie Gomez accused supervisors of

supporting “outdated racist views, such as that law enforcement is the answer to the social ills of our community,” and said the board should “fund the people’s need and reduce funding on this department.”

“Where are the accountability and the transparency?” Robert Daniels Jr. asked. “When will the board give some weight to the cries of the families and the community members that have been affected by this racist system?”

‘A bit political’

Supervisor John Phillips said a censure was the most appropriate action. He noted the county hosts many professional conferences, such as those for district attorneys, judges and the California State Association of Counties.

“We do use resources, if nothing else, in the planning process to make sure that whoever is coming here has an enjoyable time and wants to come back to Monterey

County,” he said, but the resources used for the sheriff’s conference “went too far,” and the sheriff’s office should have billed the state association for the deputies’ time.

“I am a little concerned this is becoming a bit political,” Phillips added.

Supervisor Luis Alejo said he considered it an “egregious misuse of taxpayer dollars,” and a “total lapse of judgment on numerous occasions” by the sheriff, who was last elected in June 2018.

“Our deputies were made to serve as Uber drivers,” he said.

They were also “placed in a compromised position by being told not to wear their protective vests,” a policy violation, and were told to “fraudulently” bill their hours to their departments.

Alejo also speculated that if he misused county resources in such a way, “I would be in jail right now.”

The board unanimously voted to approve the resolution censuring Bernal.

NORMAL

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— the least restrictive of the state’s reopening tiers. The state could move the county into the tier as early as June 2, a couple of weeks before the entire state is reopened.

And while there was a lot of worry and talk among county supervisors about vaccine “equity” in Monterey County just a couple months ago, Moreno presented data showing Salinas has now vaccinated more people per capita, with 67 percent, than the Monterey Peninsula and Big Sur at 66 percent. Fifty percent of North Monterey County’s residents and 52 percent of those who live in South Monterey County have been immunized.

That brings the number of county residents 12 and older having received at least one dose to 60 percent, Moreno told the supervisors.

CHOMP to end clinics

The big decline in demand for vaccinations has led Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula — which has provided more than 55,000 vaccines — to end its vaccination clinics.

“June 22 will be the last day we will be offering a mass vaccination clinic at any of our locations,” hospital spokeswoman Monica Sciuto told The Pine Cone. “Between June 3 and June 22, remaining clinics will be primarily for second doses and, while our supplies last, the single-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine.”

The hospital will likely offer first doses of the Pfizer and Moderna versions, but only to recipients who “understand and agree that they will need to go elsewhere for their second doses,” according to CHOMP.

“Demand for the vaccine continues to drop dramatically, and the focus of vaccine distribution is shifting away from high-volume sites to smaller venues like retail pharmacies and doctors’ offices, and ultimately to pediatric offices when young children become eligible,” Sciuto said.

The hospital is exploring how to best administer vaccines after the June 22 date.

“We’ll know more about these options in the next several weeks,” Sciuto said. “Of course, if the future need for vaccines warrants, we will reassess whether and how we might again engage in clinic activity.”

Though hosting vaccine clinics requires extra manpower, the decision to stop the mass vax clinics wasn’t related to that or the June 15 statewide reopening, according to the hospital.

“With demand for the vaccine decreasing and plenty of availability through a range of smaller-volume providers,” Sciuto said, “we feel our mass vaccination mission is complete. Many large vaccination sites, locally and around the state, have either already closed or are making plans to close.”

The hospital, she said, is also looking forward to reopening its Montage Wellness Center fitness center in Marina — which has been used as a vaccination site — in the first part of July “so that we can again serve our community in that beautiful facility.”

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Lauren Allen comes to David Lyng as a seasoned real estate professional. Lauren recently returned to the Monterey Peninsula after residing in Orange County for six years where she worked as a REALTOR® in the Laguna Niguel area. Previously she lived in Monterey County for eight years and prior to that Carmel was home base when living outside the U.S. giving her a unique perspective and appreciation for the area.

Before raising a family, she worked in international business after earning a B.A. in International Relations at Scripps College. Years spent relocating, buying, and selling homes, led Lauren to follow her mothers’ footsteps. Her mother grew up in Carmel and was a very successful residential real estate agent in San Francisco and Carmel for over two decades. Lauren returns to the area where her family legacy dates to the 1800’s. Her great grandfather was Sheriff of Monterey County and her grandfather was an influential lawyer.

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If you have sleep apnea, your dentist might have some suggestions

By ELAINE HESSER

SLEEP APNEA can be annoying, especially to a spouse who's kept awake by your snoring. But it can also be a serious medical issue, and the only way to know how much of a problem you have is to visit a doctor and have a sleep test.

The condition commonly occurs when throat muscles relax too much and collapse during the night, blocking a person's airway.

According to the Mayo Clinic, people with sleep apnea stop breathing for 10 to 30 seconds at a time, as many as 30 — or more — times an hour. Each occurrence is called an "episode." When the body senses oxygen deprivation, the person wakes up and often gasps for air, but it happens so quickly that they don't remember it.

The disrupted sleep can make it hard for you to concentrate, raise your blood pressure, damage your heart, and even put you at risk for diabetes and metabolic syndrome.

Risk factors

During apnea episodes, the person's heart rate and blood pressure rise, making it dangerous for people with heart conditions. Symptoms

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Flosses and brushes and water picks ... oh my!

By SALLY BAHO

WE HAVE a lot of options for products when it comes to oral hygiene — electric toothbrushes, flosses, water picks, mouthwash and what seem like 14,000 choices of toothpaste — but what is good and what is just a marketing ploy? Drs. Ryan Lehr and James Stoddard, both with Monterey Peninsula Dental Group — who both grew up around here — fill us in on what to look for when it comes to oral hygiene products.

Floss or water pick?

“Floss and water picks serve different purposes,” said Lehr. “If you’re trained properly on how to floss, it’s still considered the gold standard” Floss is inexpensive, and when done in combination with brushing, is the best not only to stop cavities from developing, but to prevent gum disease.

The key is to floss correctly, which means not just popping the floss in and out between teeth, but wrapping the floss around each tooth and scraping the surface, pulling away built-up plaque. People with arthritis or other dexterity issues, however, might find a water pick is a good alternative for cleaning below the gum line. People with bridges or receding gums also benefit from a water pick to clean places where floss can’t reach.

Lehr advised to floss first, partly so

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How a scouting experience led to dentistry in Carmel Valley

By ELAINE HESSER

WHEN YOU think of Boy Scouts, what comes to mind? Building campfires, finding your way with a compass, tying knots, and of course, dentistry.

No? Well, that's how it worked for Eric Brown. The dentist, who has offices in Carmel Valley and Monterey, has been practicing locally for about 10 years.

Brown grew up in Whittier (near Los Angeles), where his father was an attorney. He joined the Boy Scouts, and his scoutmaster was a dentist. "I was 13 or 14, and my dad worked tons of hours, while this dentist had lots of time to take us on adventures," he recalled. He decided that of the two, he preferred the dentist's life.

He also joked that it may have had something to do with his own teeth. "I ate a lot of sweets," he said, "but I didn't mind dental appointments. I had a very old dentist, and when he'd leave the room, I'd mess with his instruments," trying to figure out how they worked and what they did.

"I'm good with my hands," he said. "My grandfather was a diesel mechanic and my mom was a seamstress and a gardener. I like taking something that's broken and fixing it — and I'm helping people in the process."

Soap carving

Brown earned a merit badge in dentistry (yes, they have that) and eventually became an Eagle Scout. He at-

tended Brigham Young University and graduated from Marquette University School of Dentistry in Milwaukee. He practiced there and in Southern California.

And that's where that scout leader — Wayne Richey — came back into the picture. He moved his practice to Monterey, which is how Brown ended up on the Peninsula. "We reconnected when I was in dental school. I came here to visit and fell in love with the area," Brown said.

He and Josie, his wife of nearly 22 years, live in Carmel Valley near Quail Lodge. Their two sons attend Carmel High School and their 8-year-old daughter is at Tularcitos Elementary.

Brown became a scoutmaster as his boys were growing up, and helped many scouts earn their dentistry badges, which involved learning the importance of oral hygiene, carving a tooth from soap, and understanding enough about dental anatomy to be able to point out different tooth structures on an X-ray.

Technology

He noted that while dental techniques and procedures haven't changed that much over the years, diagnostic imaging has, as have the materials dentists use to make repairs.

Digital x-rays and close-up digital photos make it easier for him to see problems, and he can use videos, pic-



Local dentist and Eagle Scout Eric Brown is passing on scouting traditions to his sons, Cohen and Ethan, who are students at Carmel High.

tures and diagrams on the computer to help educate his patients.

If you haven't had a cavity in a long time, you might be surprised to learn that the older, silver-colored amalgam fillings have largely gone the way of the dinosaur. "For more than 150 years, we used metal amalgam fillings," Brown said, but now most dentists use a composite resin.

"It doesn't just fill the hole, it bonds to the tooth," Brown said. And it can be used to fix a chipped front tooth. But the newer material has an unexpected advantage for scuba divers and frequent fliers, as well.

According to the FDA, dental amalgam fillings are made with a powdered

alloy of silver, copper and tin, bound together with liquid mercury to make a putty, which is then packed into the tooth, where it hardens.

Scuba divers

Brown said that in larger fillings, there can be relatively large pockets of trapped air. Pressure changes caused by scuba diving and flying can cause pain in the involved teeth, just as they bother some people's ears.

The effect seems to be particularly pronounced in divers, however. "With the change in pressure, the oxygen expands and can crack and break teeth.

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toms include snoring — though not everyone with apnea makes noise — tiredness, dry mouth and sometimes headaches. Risk factors include age (over 40), obesity, smoking, alcohol use, sedatives and nasal congestion. It's two to three times more common in men than women.

A 2018 study published by the National Institutes of Health indicated that the tongue might also be involved in the problem, and that exercises to strengthen it, or small appliances which keep it from blocking the airway, may be helpful. Some local dentists work with patients who have sleep apnea, to help them find an option that works.

It's personal

Andrea Lalinde, the dentist who owns Monterey Dental Sleep Medicine, said her interest in the subject was piqued when she was diagnosed with sleep apnea 20 years ago. She had memory loss and "fogginess" during the day, and she snored.

Oral appliances and mouthpieces include small devices worn in the mouth overnight to treat snoring and sleep apnea.

First, Lalinde went for a sleep study, called polysomnography. That entails a visit to a facility that uses instruments to monitor people's brains and bodies while they're sleeping and provide a detailed report of the results.

After her diagnosis, she began using a CPAP — a continuous positive airway pressure machine. It uses mild air pressure to keep the airway open, allowing people to breathe more freely, and consists of a box that houses the mechanical apparatus, a mask that fits over the nose and mouth, and a tube to connect the mask to the machine.

Devices

While many patients find relief with a CPAP, others — like Lalinde — struggle with it. Fortunately, for mild to moderate cases of apnea (fewer than 30 episodes per hour), there are other approaches to the problem.

Lalinde completed a five-month program at UCLA to learn more about sleep apnea and how to treat it, using small appliances that fit inside the mouth to keep the airway open. "There are over 100 devices out there, and you have to



Dr. Adriana Lalinde

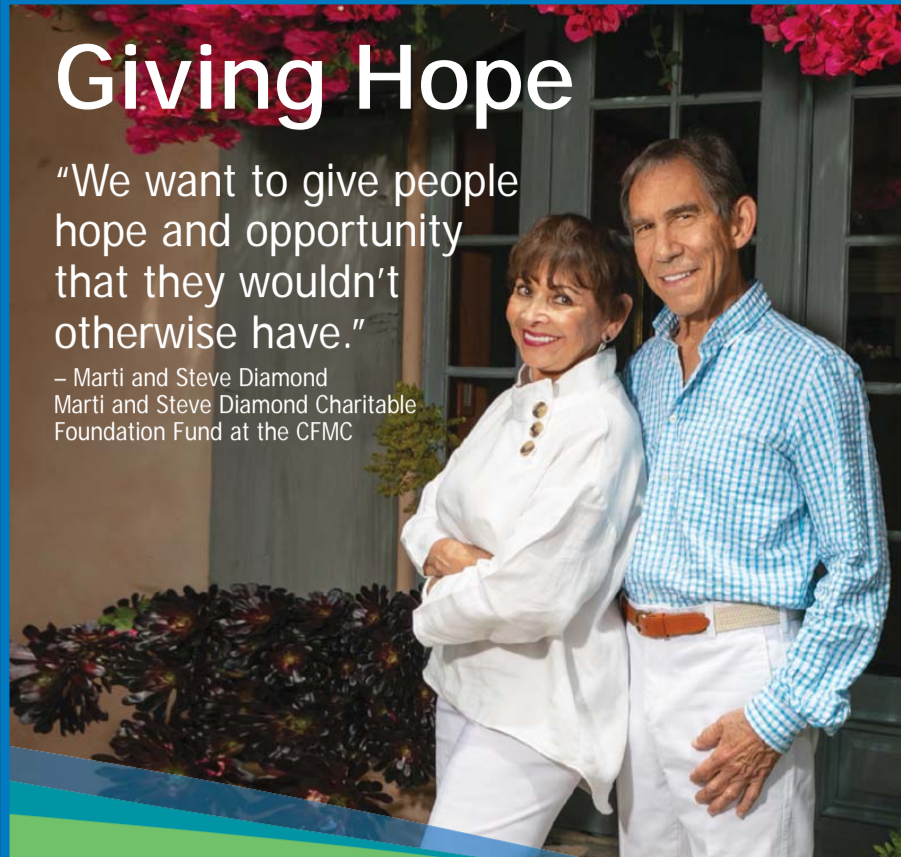


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Strawberry Salad with Burrata and Pistachio Pesto

Executive Chef Amalia Scatena – The Stationaery

AMALIA SCATENA, executive chef of The Stationaery, graciously shared a current menu item for this month's recipe, a fresh strawberry salad with burrata cheese, pea tendrils, snap peas, and pistachio pesto. If you don't use all the pesto, it keeps nicely in the fridge and can be repurposed as a dip or sandwich spread. You can substitute an equal amount of part skim mozzarella for the burrata if you're watching your fat consumption, but the flavor and texture of the burrata pairs nicely with the crisp snap peas and crunchy pistachio pesto ... as always, moderation is key. You can find burrata at the Cheese Shop in Carmel Plaza.



Amalia Scatena

Chef Bio

AMALIA SCATENA is the executive chef of The Stationaery (San Carlos between Fifth and Sixth). She is thrilled to be back in her home state — and specifically on the Peninsula — after a 15-year stint away, first studying in Tuscany and then working in the South. The San Francisco Bay area native grew up surrounded by fresh produce and farmers' markets. She graduated from The Culinary Institute of Florence. Among her many culinary honors, in 2017 she was named one of the Top Five Upcoming Star Chefs by Food and Wine Magazine. She and her husband are expecting their first baby in July and are launching their nut-milk company, Mylk Maids, a small-batch, alternative milk producer, offering macadamia, almond and cashew "mylks."



INGREDIENTS

For each serving of salad:

3-4 ripe strawberries, depending on their size, halved (the chef recommends mara de bois or another local variety)

2-3 pea tendrils, cut into manageable, bite-sized pieces

4-6 snap peas, cut into manageable, bite-sized pieces

1 ounce (by weight) burrata cheese

Sea salt

Extra-virgin olive oil

Tear burrata gently in half and place in the center of a beautiful plate. In a mixing bowl, toss strawberries, snap peas, and pea tendrils with sea salt and extra virgin olive oil. Place salad around the burrata so the cheese is still visible. Spoon a heaping tablespoon of pesto on the burrata and gently around the salad.

For the pistachio pesto:

3/4 cup toasted pistachios

1/4 bunch flat-leaf parsley

1/2 bunch cilantro

10 chives

Juice of 1 Meyer lemon

2 canned white anchovies (Chef Amalia said, "You can skip this if it freaks you out.")

Extra virgin olive oil

Pinch of chili flakes

Add all ingredients except the olive oil to a food processor. Slowly add the olive oil to the running food processor until the paste starts to break up. Season with salt to taste.

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you don't forget to do it. When asked which floss they recommended, they agreed it is whatever floss you'll use every day, "and you like the flavor," said Stoddard.

A question of effort

Toothbrushes — electric or manual? "Both are equally effective," said Lehr. "The key is one's ability to properly use a manual toothbrush." The dentists explained that if dexterity is not an issue, and you spend enough time gently brushing with an extra-soft-bristled brush, it should be sufficient.

A lot of people are lazy or get bored, however, in which case electric toothbrushes are effective because many have features that beep or flash to tell users how long to spend on each section of their mouth — and they do the work for you.

"Electric toothbrushes oscillate at such a high speed that they just blow the plaque off the tooth with minimal effort," said Stoddard. As with floss, the best toothbrush is "whichever one makes you brush your teeth," he said.

Choosing a toothpaste

The toothpaste aisle can make your head spin. How do you know what to look for? "The simple truth is that most toothpastes are similar," Lehr said. The two things to consider with toothpaste are fluoride and abrasiveness. Fluoride is the only ingredient proven to prevent tooth decay, Lehr explained. And, if you struggle with cavities or have a genetic predisposition to them, ask your dentist about a prescription-strength fluoride toothpaste.

Abrasive toothpastes wear at the tooth enamel, which, once gone, cannot be replaced. Lehr and Stoddard referred to the Kois Research Center's list



Dr. James Stoddard



Dr. Ryan Lehr

that ranks the rates of abrasiveness of toothpastes available on the market, which you can find it at bit.ly/3f6tgTB. Lehr said to look for a "relative dentin abrasivity" rating under 65. Without expressing any preference, Lehr said examples include Sensodyne Pronamel Mint Essence, Arm & Hammer Dental Care Advanced Cleaning, and CariFree CTx.

After brushing, Lehr recommends swishing what's left of the toothpaste in your mouth and not rinsing after spitting it out. This works just as well as any mouthwash, he explained, leaving a fluoride residue on the teeth for protection. Lehr also had a warning about the ingredients of "natural" toothpastes, which often do not contain fluoride but may have ingredients that erode the enamel and will eventually turn your teeth yellow.

Fresh breath

Mouthwash will certainly leave your mouth feeling fresh and your breath smelling good, but Lehr and Stoddard agreed that it's better to floss and brush than to only use mouth rinse. And Stoddard said to avoid mouthwash that has alcohol because alcohol can dry out the mouth, which leads to cavities. "Saliva prevents cavities," he said.

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know how to choose one," she said.

She would first recommend the person visit their regular doctor, who would likely ask for a sleep study. If it indicated mild to moderate apnea, Lalinde could offer some alternatives to a CPAP. She works mainly with devices that cause mandibular advancement — pushing the lower jaw slightly forward — so the airway remains more open.

She said that the appliances are similar to bite guards worn by people who grind their teeth during the night, and once the wearer becomes accustomed to them, they work well.

In some cases, Lalinde said, patients might achieve additional relief by changing their sleeping positions, finding ways to breathe through the nose more efficiently, or even having their tonsils removed, if they're large.

For those who are overweight, shedding some of the excess pounds can help because neck and tongue fat (yes, your tongue can be fat) make the problem worse.

Steve Ikemiya, a dentist with the Monterey Peninsula Dental Group, also offers some different therapies for the problem. Before beginning treatment, he has patients wear a device that looks like a large wristwatch, along with a small pulse oximeter, to measure heart rate and blood oxygen levels. If the person has 13 or more episodes per hour, he refers them to a sleep specialist.

Then, he said, "If they find they're unsuccessful with conventional medical therapy, we offer options that have proven to be very successful. The real

niche for my services are patients who report significant symptoms but have fewer than 13 disturbances" an hour.

He believes many cases of apnea are caused by evolutionary shrinkage of the human jaw. To

illustrate, he introduced a satisfied patient who said that before Ikemiya treated her, she was "a world-class yawner," and was often tired during the day.

Working with the dentist, she used Invisalign tooth aligners to gradually expand her jaw, making more room for her tongue and alleviating her breathing problems. As a bonus, they also improved her smile. She reported that since the treatment, she has had more energy and feels much more rested.

No rest

Ikemiya also invited Healthy Lifestyles to sit in on a consultation with one of his newer patients — an orthodontist who said he was suffering from "violent snoring." He had worn the monitoring devices overnight, and Ikemiya had downloaded the results to his computer.

The patient was startled to discover he'd stopping breathing for an average of 30 seconds at a time, dozens of times in one night. During some of those periods, his heart rate spiked above 120 beats per minute — off the readout's scale.

"You were sleeping, but not rest-



Dr. Steve Ikemiya



ing," said Ikemiya.

One option Ikemiya offered was Nightlase therapy, which uses lasers to treat the throat muscles, but he noted that it was a temporary solution. He suggested myofunctional therapy — exercises for the mouth and throat. Since that could take three to six months to have an effect, he also recommended a small appliance for his patient to use in the meantime.

How does Ikemiya know what

works? He's tried it all on himself, for starters. He also continues his studies at the Pankey Institute for advanced dental education in Florida, where he has been a visiting faculty member for more than 14 years.

In summary, if your doctor has diagnosed you with sleep apnea, ask whether dental interventions could help. Separately, or in combination, these approaches can lead to a better night's sleep.



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Usually the person says that they've been diving, and then they found a chunk of filling and a broken tooth in their mouth."

"It's a strange phenomenon. I don't see it much anymore, except for people in their 60s and 70s," Brown said. "You get the same phenomenon with unpressurized flights," like short hops in lower-flying planes, he added.

Brown said that his practice is growing overall, although many of his Monterey patients moved away after they lost their jobs during the Covid epidemic. He described his patients in that office as "a wide mix of people from Seaside, Monterey and even Salinas," as well as along Highway 68. Most of them are adults, and he estimates their average age is 55.

In Carmel Valley, however, he sees more families and kids. Last month, he expanded his hours there from two days a week to four. Between the two offices, he employs a staff 15 and an

associate dentist, Nathan Ward.

He proudly pointed out that his staff surprised him with a Pine Cone ad to celebrate his 10th year in this area. He is grateful for his Golden Pine Cone, too. "That was really unexpected. We put up a sign in each office and bought little gold pine cone Christmas ornaments to hang on each frame," he said.

When he's not tinkering with fillings and crowns, he's nurturing bonsai trees. "We have a beautiful Japanese garden," he said, and about 75 of the little trees.

Brown also confessed to being a bit of a car nut. "I have a 1997 Land Rover that people call the 'safari car,'" he said. He also has an affinity for vintage Porsches, something he said has to go on hold as his children prepare for college.

He'll be back at Concours this year, though. And his patients don't have to worry about him moving away. "We love the area and we want to be here forever," he said.

Eric Brown, a dentist in Carmel Valley and Monterey, enjoys gardening and raising bonsai trees in his spare time.



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If you have dry mouth, you may want to chew gum or use mints which have xylitol as the first ingredient, such as Mentos or Ice Breakers. Xylitol, a natural sweetener, actually inhibits the growth of bacteria that causes cavities, and the act of chewing “cleans your teeth of plaque and keeps your mouth fresh by activating the salivary glands,” explained Stoddard. But the

key is sugar-free gum, again preferably with xylitol as the first ingredient.

The bottom line, the dentists agreed, is to do whatever helps you brush and floss your teeth daily. “It’s more important to make sure you’re brushing your teeth than worrying about which toothpaste to use,” said Stoddard. “The key takeaway is to keep it simple. You can do it all with a manual toothbrush, dental floss and the right toothpaste,” Lehr echoed.



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Named for Bach, clarinetist will play on balcony

WINDING DOWN its Balcony Sessions recital series Friday, the Monterey Symphony showcases its principal clarinetist, **Julia Sarah Bonomo**, on the balcony of its downtown office in Hampton Court at Seventh and San Carlos. The music starts at 4 p.m. and is free.

From an early age, she seemed destined for a musical life. Named for J.S. Bach — her initials are the same — she took naps beneath her mom's piano before taking up the clarinet as a youngster.

"I'm going to be playing some solo Bach, some funky sounds that you may have never heard from the clarinet before, and I'm so excited to be doing the world premiere of a piece that was written just for me for this concert by my dear friend and amazing composer Alphonso Horne," Bonomo said. "I can't wait to share it with you."

Besides being a gifted musician, Bonomo founded a group (onefoundsound.org) to connect kids to classical

music. She's considered a pioneer in the field.

"Sarah has a whole-brain approach top classical music," symphony executive director **Nicola Reilly** told The Pine Cone. "She's an amazing clarinetist and a really interesting person. I'm a huge fan of her organization — she's

On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

making classical music cool. She's a trailblazer."

Launched in August 2020, the Balcony Sessions series made it possible for the symphony to keep at least some of its instrumentalists playing during Covid. The series wraps up next week with a recital by two members of the symphony, principal cellist **Adelle-Akiko Kearns**, and violinist **Eugenia Wie**.

Who's next?

Like everybody, the Monterey Symphony has had to postpone important tasks due to the virus, including finding a music director to replace **Max Bragado-Darman**, who retired.

The symphony has narrowed its search to four candidates: **Donato Cabrera**, **Peter Bay**, **Jung-Ho Pak** and **Jayce Ogren**. Before the selection is made, each will conduct a symphony concert next spring. "The symphony intends to appoint its next music director in May of 2022," it announced.

Also, the symphony plans to reveal its upcoming season in September. For now, though, they're still working out the many details to pre-

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From florals to Ferraris: Bull creates poster for Pasadera Concours

JUST AS the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance posters showcase two automotive artists each year, the poster for this summer's Concours at Pasadera highlights the creative talents of painter **Simon Bull**.

The artist, whose Meuse Gallery is located at Ocean and Monte Verde, pays tribute to the iconic Le Mans race, which has been hosted by the French town it's named for since 1923. In the original painting used for the poster, Bull captures a scene at Le Mans in the 1960s at a time when Ferrari's dominance was seriously being tested by Ford. The piece is titled "Decade of Champions."

Best known for his colorful floral paintings, Bull con-

Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

ceded he doesn't know too much about classic race cars, but he noted that when he paints a mountain, he doesn't pay too much attention to what people call it. Instead, he simply tries to capture what he sees in his own style.

"Someone will ask me, 'what's the name of that mountain?' and I'll say, 'I don't know,'" Bull told The Pine Cone.

Bull also created the artwork for last year's Concours at Pasadera poster, but the event was cancelled due to Covid.

The Concours at Pasadera is set for Aug. 6. The two tour posters, meanwhile, are already for sale at pasaderaconcours.com — signed posters of "Decade of Champions" are \$85, while unsigned posters are \$45.

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The Monterey Symphony's principal clarinetist, Sarah Bonomo plays Friday outside the symphony's downtown office at Seventh and San Carlos.



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A DIFFERENT kind of swinging takes place during Happy Hour at the Links Club in Carmel Plaza. On weekdays, the new spot featuring high-end golf simulators that allow individuals and groups to play any of dozens of courses from all over the world without ever getting on an airplane is offering daily specials that pair featured courses with appropriate snacks and drinks. The Links Club serves beer on draft, wine by the glass and bottle and lower-alcohol cocktails, and offers deviled eggs, flatbread and other small bites and plates.

In the Links Club Weekday Getaway lineup, Monday features the Club de Golf Chapultepec. Located near Mexico City, the course was built in 1921 and has hosted numerous Mexican Opens, and those who sign up to play it in one of the Links Club bays can get a deal on nachos and margaritas, which may or may not improve their game.

'The Home of Golf'

On Tuesdays, Scotland's world-famous St. Andrews Links — the only course that could justly carry its tagline, "The Home of Golf" — is on the screens, paired with shepherd's pie and stout beer, while Wednesdays feature the Hualalai golf course at the Four Seasons on the Big Island of Hawaii. Hualalai was designed by famed pro Jack Nicklaus, who also created the course at Pasadera, and those who play it at the Links Club can enjoy pu pu platters

and Mana wines. (For those who enjoy the wines, they're available for tasting and buying at Mana + Pua, Ashleigh Hutchison's wine bar and shop in the Crossroads.)

Eniwa Country Club in Hakkaido, Japan, about 55 miles outside of Sapporo City, is featured on Thursdays, and since the club doesn't serve sushi, ceviche and sake are the pairing that day.

Toro would offer tastings.

For \$30, a guest receives a flight of five sakes, all stylistically different and from various parts of the country. And, contrary to what many diners who frequent Japanese restaurants usually experience, none of them are served hot.

The lineup offered this week began with a slightly sweet

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Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

The weekday specials wrap up with Mainzer Golfclub in Budenheim, located in Germany's stunning Rhineland. What could be more appropriate to pair with it than pretzels and beer?

For information about the Links Club, including rates and how to reserve, call (831) 250-7819 or visit linksclub-golf.com.

Learn your way around sake

Toro, the sushi restaurant that opened on Dolores Street near the post office last summer, has been wowing visitors and locals — many of whom have become regulars — with great sushi, innovative dishes, tasteful presentation and pleasant service.

Owned by Pacific Grove native Kristen Ridout and friend Fadi Al-Nimri, the place also boasts an impressive list of sakes, and Ridout's fiancé, Stephen Wilson, is a certified sake advisor. With a curated list of some 60 selections and a highly knowledgeable person on hand to provide guidance and share information, it stands to reason



Natalie Mika (top) is the new head brewer at Peter B's, while a tiny South County olive farm produces liquid gold (above), and its 2021 estate olive oil won gold in the world's top competition.

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sparkling sake called Harushika “Spring Deer” Tokimeki from the Nara Prefecture. The brewery — sakes are made from fermented rice that’s had its bran polished away and are closer to beer than to distilled spirits or wines — was founded in 1884 by the Imanishi family, though its roots can be traced back to the 8th century as a private brewer of ceremonial sake.

Next was the drier Tyku Platinum, also from the Nara Prefecture, which is considered the birthplace of sake. Tyku prides itself on using just four pure ingredients, including non-GMO rice and “pure soft water” to make its brew. While much less sweet and bright than the sparkling Spring Deer, it still presented subtle apple and pear notes. It also pairs well with Toro’s seaweed salad.

Ichinokura “Princess” from the Miyagi Prefecture was third, beautifully fruity and balanced — and reportedly the world’s first low-alcohol sake, at 8 percent. Ichinokura was formed in the early 1970s by four rival Miyagi sake producers that had been brewing for hundreds of years each, and gets its name from Ichi, meaning “one,” and kura, meaning “brewery.” It uses 90 percent locally grown rice in its sakes.

Cold and humidity

Shirataki in the Niigata Prefecture produces a line of “Jozen” sakes, and the Junmai Gingo featured in Toro’s tasting was elegant and balanced, a nice follow-up to the fruitier offering that preceded it.

Shirataki brewery was formed in 1855 and is located in a particularly snowy part of the country, where the cold and humidity slows the fermentation process, yielding complex, smooth beverages.

The tasting ended with the fruitier and vaguely sweet Shimizu-No-Mai “Pure Snow,” an unfiltered “cloudy” sake with a creamier texture due to the remnants of rice left behind.

Toro’s sake flight serves as a solid primer for fans and the curious who haven’t had the pleasure of trying a lot of different types from a range of producers. Those who’d like a recommendation for a single bottle — the list ranges in price from \$25 for a few 375 ml selections to \$1,600 for a 2018 vintage Jikon “Tokujo Omachi” sake from the Mie Prefecture — can rely on Wilson’s advice.

For information and reservations, go to torosushicarmel.com or call (831) 574-3255. Toro is open daily for lunch and dinner.

Alvarado market is back

The Old Monterey Farmers Market returned this week after a long absence, starting with a limited market featuring local farms and a few crafts, and working toward a full reopening, with the requisite jewelry, prepared foods and

other goods, on June 15.

The market will take place rain or shine on Alvarado Street every Tuesday from 4 to 8 p.m. Masks are still required, and people not wearing them will not be served.

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Established in 1991, the market typically features arts and crafts, handmade jewelry, furniture, clothing, international prepared foods, organic produce, flowers and pastries, all from vendors located throughout the state, though plenty are local.

Coming at Twisted Roots

With coronavirus-related restrictions loosening, the Twisted Roots tasting room in Carmel Valley Village is preparing to welcome guests back for wine, food, live music and other fun.

Extended hours the first Friday of every month will provide more time for tasting in the recently renovated tasting room and courtyard on Del Fino Place off Pilot Road,

and live music will be offered June 6, July 11 and Aug. 15, with additional popup dates announced as the summer progresses.

In addition, 831 Catering will bring barbecue throughout the summer, and highly regarded local chef Brandon Miller will host occasional dinners for up to 30 people on the patio, creating dishes to pair with his favorite Twisted Roots wines and hard cider. During each dinner, some members of the Monterey Symphony will perform.

For more information, go to twisted-rootsvineyard.com.

Olive oil wins prize

The New York International Olive Oil Competition awarded a gold medal to South County olive oil producer Rancho



The Alvarado Street farmers market is back after a long hiatus, with plenty of fresh produce on offer, and a nicely presented sake tasting (right) at Toro provides a great primer to the traditional Japanese beverage.



Azul y Oro Olive Farm, recognizing it "as one of the best olive oils in the world," owner Kathy Keeler said this week.

"It's still hard to wrap our minds around, considering our size," she added.

The New York competition is considered "the largest and most prestigious" quality contest in the world, with 20 highly qualified judges from all over the world evaluating 11,000 olive oils from 28 countries. Winners are listed in the Official Index of the World's Best Olive Oils, "the world's authoritative guide to high-quality extra virgin olive oils."

This month, judges bestowed a gold medal on the 2021 Estate Extra Virgin Olive Oil from Rancho Azul y Oro Olive Farm in San Miguel. According to the farm, the olives used in the oil were hand harvested on Nov. 9, 2020, sorted and milled within 12 hours. Panelists described

it as herbaceous, with notes of green olive, green almond and grass.

The 2021 estate oil was also named Best of Class in the Mission Blends category at this year's Central Coast Olive Oil Competition.

To learn more, including how to get a bottle, go to ranchoazulyoro.com.

Happy Girl café update

Happy Girl Kitchen's café at 173 Central Ave. in Pacific Grove is now open daily from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"We have our full menu available and have really expanded our grab-and-go with seasonal salads and soups, as well," owner Jordan Champagne said.

The café offers a full coffee bar, house-

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Student-artists earn \$\$

Investing in the next generation of local creative talent, the Arts Council for Monterey County awarded \$2,500 in scholarships to seven graduating high school seniors, including **Leila Cheyenne Chappell** of Carmel High and **Laurel Bowen** of Pacific Grove High.

Jacque Atchison, the executive director of the arts council, showed her appreciation for those who donated to the scholarship fund.

“We are so thankful to the amazing generosity of our community,” Atchison said. “This is definitely the time to support our youth in their career endeavors and ease a little of the financial burden of a college education.”

For more about the arts council’s programs, visit arts4mc.org.

‘Facing Faith’ closes Friday

Friday marks your last chance to see photographer **Randy Tunnell’s** “Facing Faith: A Photographic Study of Faith Leaders from our Community,” which has been on display since March.

The show includes 19 images of local faith leaders. While the subjects represent an array of beliefs,

all guide people in matters of the heart and spirit.

“These are the people who support others, in desperately sad times, in times of celebration, and in times in between,” the photographer explained.

Located at San Carlos and Ninth, the gallery is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. No appointments are necessary, but masks are required.



Painter Simon Bull created the poster art for this year’s Concours at Pasadera, which is set for Aug. 6.

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pare for safely welcoming back audiences.

“I’m proud of how we’ve managed to keep music going during the pandemic,” Reilly added. “There have been some hurdles, but we’ve pressed ahead.”

Live Music May 28-June 3

The Barnyard shopping center — singer-songwriter **Fred McCarty** (country, Saturday at noon). 3663 The Barnyard, thebarnyard.com.

Big Sur River Inn — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (folk, Saturday at 1 p.m.) and flutist **Kenny Stahl** (jazz, Sunday at 1 p.m.) On Highway 1, 24 miles south of Rio Road, (831) 667-2700.

Big Sur Vineyards in Carmel Valley —

singer-songwriters **Tom Faia** and **Kate Miller** (Sunday at 6 p.m.). 1 Del Fino Place, (831) 652-3020.

The Coffee Bank — **The Joint Chiefs Trio** (jazz, Saturday at 7 p.m.). 26135 Carmel Rancho Blvd., (831) 250-7047.

Folktale Winery in Carmel Valley — **Two Rivers** (Americana, Friday at 3 p.m.), singer-songwriter **Alex Lucero** (soul, Saturday at 3 p.m.), singer-songwriter and multi-instrumentalist **Casey Wickstrom** (Sunday at 11:30 a.m.) and singer-songwriter **Razzvio** (rock, Thursday at 3 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road, (831) 293-7500.

Intercontinental Hotel in Monterey — guitarist **John Sherry** (rock, folk and blues, Friday and Saturday at 6 p.m.). 750 Cannery Row, (831) 375-4500.

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Julia's Vegetarian in Pacific Grove — singer-songwriter **Zack Freitas** (Monday at 7:30 p.m.), singer-songwriter **Rachel Williams** (Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.), singer-songwriter **Talmon Owens** (Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (folk, Thursday at 7:30 p.m.) — 1180 Forest Ave., (831) 656-9533.

La Playa — The David Morwood Jazz Band (Sunday at 4 p.m.). Camino Real and Eighth, (800) 582-8900.

Lucy's on Lighthouse in Pacific Grove — **Johnny Tsunami & the Shoulder Hoppers** (rock, Sunday at 1 p.m.). 1120 Lighthouse Ave., (831) 920-2006.

Midici Pizza in Monterey — singer **Pamela Forman** and guitarist **Bruce Forman** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.) and singer **Janice Perl**, guitarist **Robert Papacica** and bassist **Steve Uccello** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St., (831) 264-7013.

Mission Ranch — singer and pianist **Maddaline Edstrom** (jazz and pop, Friday through Sunday at 5 p.m.) and pianist **Gennady Loktionov** (jazz, Monday through Thursday at 5 p.m.). Due to Covid, the singalongs are on hold for now. 26270 Dolores St., (831) 625-9040.

Rio Grill — singer-songwriter **Johan Sotelo** (Friday at 4 p.m.), singer-songwriter **Adrea Castiano** (Saturday at 1 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Luis Fer** (Sunday at 1 p.m.).

In the Crossroads shopping center, (831) 625-5436.

Schooners Coastal Kitchen & Bar in Monterey — guitarist **John Sherry** (rock, folk and blues, Sunday at noon). 400 Cannery Row, (831) 372-2628.

Tarpy's in Monterey — singer-songwriter **Zack Freitas** (Friday at 4 p.m.), singer-songwriter **Johan Sotelo** (Saturday at 1 p.m.) and singer-songwriter and violinist **Razzvio** (rock, Sunday at 1 p.m.). 2999 Highway 68, (831) 647-1444.



The Joint Chiefs Band (left) will play a mix of funk, acid jazz and classic r&b when they play Saturday at the Coffee Bank. Singer and guitarist Brad Mallory (right) joins his brother, percussionist Blake Mallory, Thursday at the Whaling Station in Monterey.



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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20211146
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **TRY ME 56B 5th St., Lot #1 2892, Carmel, CA 93921.**
Mailing address: P.O. BOX 2892, Carmel, CA 93921.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): JACK PAPPADEAS, Corner of Lincoln and 5th Street, Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921.

This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 5, 2021.

S/Jack Pappadeas
May 6, 2021
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 May 6, 2021.

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Publication dates: May 14, 21, 28; June 4, 2021. (PC526)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20211188
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **MONTEREY BIRTH AND WELLNESS CENTER, 4 Harris Court, Suite A, Monterey, California 93940.**
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.

Name of Corporation as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: THE WIFEYS P.C., 4 Harris Court, Suite A, Monterey, California 93940.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: California.
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/ Caroline Cuzenza, CFO
Date: May 4, 2021

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 11, 2021.
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Publication dates: May 14, 21, 28; June 4, 2021. (PC527)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20211128
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Brothers Food Truck, 5200 Coe Ave., Apt. 2082, Seaside, CA 93955.**
County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s): Jose Ramirez, 5200 Coe Ave., Apt. 2082, Seaside, CA 93955
Everald Victor Santos Hernandez, 5200 Coe Ave., Apt. 2082, Seaside, CA 93955

This business is conducted by a general partnership
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable
S/ Jose Ramirez
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 3, 2021

5/21, 5/28, 6/4, 6/11/21
CNS-3466230#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: May 21, 28; June 4, 11, 2021. (PC528)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20211114
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Yafa Restaurant, Junipero St. & 5th Ave., Carmel, CA 93921.**
Mailing address: P.O. Box 811, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.

Name of Corporation as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: FORK-N-CORK, INC., 3600 High Meadow Dr. #26, Carmel, CA 93923.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a corporation.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 3, 2021.
S/ Dia M. Kheir, President
Date: May 3, 2021

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 3, 2021.

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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: May 21, 28; June 4, 11, 2021. (PC530)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20211176
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **FMG Refrigeration, 1124 Abbott Street, Salinas, CA 93901.**
County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s): Facilities Management Group LLC, 1124 Abbott Street, Salinas, CA 93901; Wyoming

This business is conducted by a limited liability company
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable
S/ Russell Gheen, Manager
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 10, 2021
5/21, 5/28, 6/4, 6/11/21
CNS-3469479#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: May 21, 28; June 4, 11, 2021. (PC532)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20211170
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **Cypress Ridge Care Center, 1501 Skyline Drive, Monterey, CA 93940**
County of MONTEREY
Registrant(s): MARJORAM HOLDINGS, LLC, 1501 Skyline Drive, Monterey, CA 93940
This business is conducted by a limited liability company
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/12/2011.
MARJORAM HOLDINGS, LLC
S/ Naveed Hakim, Manager

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 05/10/2021.
5/28, 6/4, 6/11, 6/18/21
CNS-3473087#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: May 28; June 4, 11, 18, 2021. (PC533)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20211242
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **J L AUTO SALES, 254 E. Market Street, Salinas, CA 93901.**
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.

Name of Corporation as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: ALZUGHUL LLC, 10640 McDougall Street, APR 5, Castroville, CA 95012.
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 May 10, 2021.
S/ Amro Alzughoul, Manager
Date: May 18, 2021

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 18, 2021.

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: May 21, 28; June 4, 11, 2021. (PC534)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20211199
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **NOTTINGHAM RANCH QUILTING, 35 Asoleado Drive, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

Registered Owner(s): HEATHER LYNN CLIFTON, 35 Asoleado Drive, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
S/ Heather Clifton
May 11, 2021

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 11, 2021.
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: May 21, 28; June 4, 11, 2021. (PC535)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20211264
Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **1. CENTRAL COAST ENTERTAINMENT 2. CCE 3. CCE PHOTOBOOTHS**
S/ Gabilan St., Suite 211, Salinas, CA 93901.
County of Principal Place of Business:

Monterey.
Name of Corporation as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: CENTRAL COAST ENTERTAINMENT LLC, 5 E. Gabilan St., Suite 211, Salinas, CA 93901.

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 Nov. 1, 2016.
S/ Elia Melgar, Member
Date: May 19, 2021

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 May 19, 2021.
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Publication dates: May 28; June 4, 11, 18, 2021. (PC539)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20211216
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **1. HAMILTON, ELLIS, MARTIN PLAZA 2. HEM PLAZA, 1466 Yosemite St., Seaside, CA 93955.**
Mailing address: 1045 Stuart St., Suite 27, Lafayette, CA 94549.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

Registered Owner(s): MATTHEW LOCALI, 1043 Stuart St., Suite 220, Lafayette, CA 94549.
This business is conducted by a limited partnership.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
S/ Matthew Locali, President of Terrex-Seaside AGF, Inc.
April 6, 2021

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 13, 2021.
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: May 28; June 4, 11, 18, 2021. (PC540)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20211275
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **RANCHO AZUL Y ORO OLIVE FARM, 74941 Ranchita Ave., San Miguel, CA 93451.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

Registered Owner(s): STUART M. DE HAUFF, 74941 Ranchita Ave., San Miguel, CA 93451.
KATHRYN A. KEELER, 74941 Ranchita Ave., San Miguel, CA 93451.
This business is conducted by a married couple.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 1, 2015.
S/ Stuart M. de Hauff
May 20, 2021

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 20, 2021.
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Publication dates: May 28; June 4, 11, 18, 2021. (PC543)

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the District Board, Carmel Area Wastewater District, at the District office, 3945 Rio Road, Carmel, CA. 93923, until

2:00 P.M., Tuesday, June 29th, 2021

at which time they will be publicly opened and read for performing the work as follows:

WWTP Elec/ Mech Rehab and Sludge Holding Tank Replacement Project

The results of the bidding will be reported to the District Board within sixty (60) days of the date of the bid opening at which time if bids are found to be acceptable by the District Board, written notice of award will be given to the lowest responsive and responsible Bidder. However, said District Board reserves its right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities of any bids or to re-advertise for all or any part of the work contemplated. No bidder shall withdraw his bid for a period of sixty (60) calendar days after the date set by the Board for the opening thereof.

Specifications and proposal forms may be secured at no charge by emailing the District's Plant Engineer, Patrick Treanor, at downstream@cawd.org and requesting the documents.

Publication dates: May 21 & 28, 2021 (PC529)

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: May 28; June 4, 11, 18, 2021. (PC541)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20211225
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **HANNEMAN GEMOLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS, 264 Soledad Dr., Monterey, CA 93940.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

Registered Owner(s): PATRICIA ANNE TIPTON, 264 Soledad Dr., Monterey, CA 93940.
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 8, 2021.
S/ Patricia Anne Tipton
May 14, 2021

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 14, 2021.
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Publication dates: May 28; June 4, 11, 18, 2021. (PC542)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20211285
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **ASHLEY HOMESTORE, 800 Playa Avenue, Sand City, CA 93955.**
Mailing address: 1688 N. Main Street, Salinas, CA 93906.
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.

Name of Corporation as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: DEL MONTE FURNITURE RENTAL, INC., 1688 N. Main Street, Salinas, CA 93906.
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/ Clarke Eliot Herbert, Secretary
Date: May 24, 2021

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 24, 2021.
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Publication dates: May 28; June 4, 11, 18, 2021. (PC543)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20211089
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **ROOT KAL EQUIPMENT SPECIALISTS, 2 Spreckles Lane, Salinas, CA 93908.**
Mailing address: 33 Alta Mesa Cir., Monterey, CA 93940.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

Registered Owner(s): NOAH ELIAS MEDINA, 33 Alta Mesa Cir., Monterey, CA 93940.
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 28, 2021.
S/ Noah Elias Medina
April 28, 2021

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 28, 2021.

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Publication dates: May 28; June 4, 11, 18, 2021. (PC544)

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 28, 2021.
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Publication dates: May 28; June 4, 11, 18, 2021. (PC544)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing via teleconference, on Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible. Immediately prior to the public hearing, the Commission will visit some or all of the project sites in-person as part of a Tour of Inspection. Social distancing requirements will be maintained during the Tour. Interested members of the public are invited to attend both the Tour and the hearing. To attend via Zoom: copy and paste the link into your browser; https://zoom.us/j/9779357109? Meeting ID (if needed): 977 9357 5109, Passcode (if needed): 818959; To attend via telephone, dial 1-301-715-8592.

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

All interested persons are invited to attend via teleconference at the time and place specified above to give oral or written testimony concerning this matter. Written comments may be submitted to the Community Planning & Building Department at City Hall located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921 or P.O. Box CC, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921 or by email bswanson@ci.carmel.ca.us prior to the meeting. With respect to written comments, please submit them at least 4 hours before the meeting in order to ensure they are provided to the legislative body and made part of the record. Comments received after that time and up to the end of the public hearing will be saved as part of the record but may not be provided to the legislative body prior to or during the public hearing.

The staff report and relevant documents will be available at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting on the City's website at <http://www.ci.carmel.ca.us> and found by clicking on "Government" and then "Meetings". The Planning Commission meeting will be broadcast live on the City's website at <http://carmel.novusagenda.com/agendapublic/meetingsresponsive.aspx> and the City's YouTube Channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAuOeIL-wM1JCdkzD7J586mA> and archived there after the meeting. For more information regarding Planning Commission meetings please contact the Community Planning & Building Department at (831) 620-2010.

DS 20-339 (Takizawa)
Adam Jeselnick Architect
Casanova Street 4 southeast of 9th Avenue
Block: D; Lot: 12
APN: 010-186-013
Consideration of a Final Design Study (DS 20-339 Takizawa) and associated Coastal Development Permit for the construction of a 177 square-foot addition to an existing 1,328 square-foot single-family dwell-

ing and 210 square-foot detached garage located on Casanova Street, 4 southeast of 9th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) Zoning District.

DS 21-082 (Torru)
Adam Jeselnick Architect
11th Avenue 2 northwest of Dolores Street
Block: 115; Lot: W. 1/2 of 17 & 19
APN: 010-158-010
Consideration of a Final Design Study (DS 21-082, Torru), Variance and associated Coastal Development Permit for the construction of a 270 square-foot addition to an existing 1,330 square-foot single-family residence located on 11th Avenue 2 northwest of Dolores Street in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) Zoning District.

DS 21-018 (DeMars)
Claudio Ortiz Design Group, Inc.
Mission Street 3 northeast of 10th Avenue
Block: 109; Lot: 12
APN: 010-076-015
Consideration of a combined Concept and Final Design Study (DS 21-018, DeMars) and associated Coastal Development Permit for the construction of a 2,120 square-foot two-story single-family residence on a vacant lot located on Mission Street 3 northeast of 10th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) and Archaeological Significance (AS) Overlay Zoning Districts.

UP 21-102 (Carmel Burger Bar)
Janice Ibright, Tenant
Carmel Plaza, Suite 106
Block: 78; Lot: All
APN: 010-086-006
Consideration of a Use Permit (UP 21-102, Carmel Burger Bar) for the establishment of a new, 1,990 square-foot full-line restaurant at Carmel Plaza located in the Central Commercial (CC) Zoning District.

UP 21-168 (Nicolas)
David Elliot, Architect
Carmel Plaza, Suite 111
Block: 7

FOOD

From page 46A

made baked goods, soups, salads and snacks, with several vegan and gluten-free options, while the shop carries jams, pickles and canned goods, and a few local crafts.

“We are continuing to ask all of our guests to wear your masks indoors just to be extra safe,” she continued. “We aren’t ready to take it off.”

The café is also still only serving food outside.

“Thank you for your patience with us, but I am listening to my staff and want to make sure they feel honored and respected,” she explained.

To find out what’s available, go to happygirlkitchen.com.

■ New brewer at Peter B’s

Natalie Mika is the new head brewer at Peter B’s Brewpub in the Portola Hotel, replacing Justin Rivard, with whom she worked as assistant brewer and helped create several award-winning craft beers. Mika returned to the brewery this week to begin making beer in anticipation of reopening the brewpub this summer, according to spokeswoman Jackie Olsen.

“Mika and her team will continue to brew Peter B’s

flagship ales while adding her unique style to the lineup,” she said, adding that Mika “is a self-proclaimed ‘lab nerd’ and has experience working with fermentation science since 2013.”

She holds a degree in wine and viticulture from Cal Poly and worked for Bodega Calle in Argentina, Scheid Vineyards in Greenfield, VinLink Winery in New Zealand,

and The Wine Group in Soledad before making the transition to beer-making, having learned about the Peter B’s job from a friend.

She’s now working on the brewpub’s favorites for the reopening this summer and hopes to get to more creative pursuits, like a fruity Belgian-style beer that incorporates Riesling grapes, later in the year.

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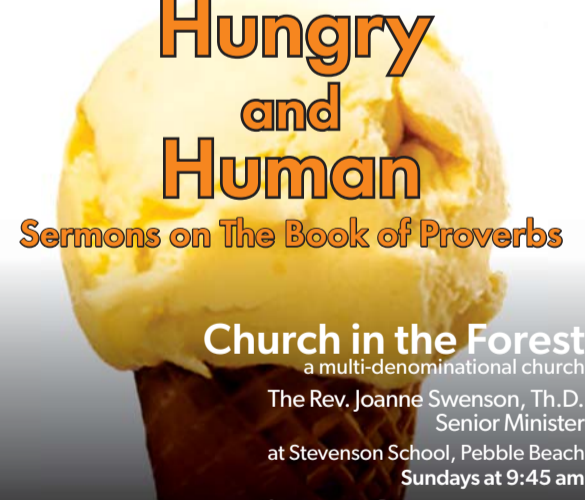
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Open registration will begin on June 1st, so be sure to check your Tuesday Catalyst for information!

LEADERSHIP CARMEL



After 9 long months of professional development programming, including 9 full days, 3 half days, 35 Guest Speakers, and countless hours of class project work, the inaugural class participants completed the Leadership Carmel Program and graduated on Friday, May 14th! The Carmel Chamber in partnership with Walking TALL Training & Consulting, Inc., couldn't be more proud of this group of 10 Leaders! We know they will all go on to make a significant impact in our community. As Jenny MacMurdo said at the ceremony, "What better way to invest in the future of our community, than by investing in it's people?"

So, if you see any of these faces out and about, be sure to congratulate them!

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Barbara Dickason, All Saints' Episcopal Church
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Yvonne Hildebrand-Bowen, Forest Theatre Guild

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school humanities in Lake Tahoe, Nevada City, and New Hampshire's White Mountains. Teaching history gave way to living it, for soon after the Berlin Wall fell, Brian moved to (then) Czechoslovakia. He spent six years in Prague working at the Czech Ministry of Environment, covering the arts and non-profit sector for an English language paper, and managing a successful band. Brian returned stateside for law school and began his legal career in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands before relocating to Pacific Grove in 2004. Brian's civic engagement during his 17 years as a Monterey County attorney includes serving on the Monterey County Workforce Development Board, as well as stints as Monterey County Film Commission President and Monterey County Business Council Executive Director. Brian currently sits on the local advisory Board for Pinnacle Bank and is Vice-President/General Counsel for College Advising Services LLC, a firm which assists U.S. and international students gain admittance to leading undergraduate, medical, and business schools. Brian knows a healthy community depends upon a prosperous business sector; he looks forward to surfing once again - this time - on the waves of economic prosperity he hopes we will all enjoy as we emerge from the shadows of the COVID lockdown.

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SECTION RE ■ May 28-June 3, 2021

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Real Estate



■ This week's cover property, located in Monterey, is presented by Mike Jashinski and Monika Campbell of Sotheby's International Realty. (See Page 2 RE)

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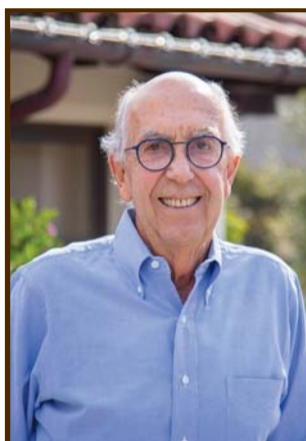
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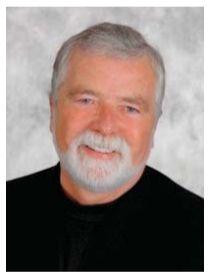
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Home-grown

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Loose lips sink ships — We're in it 'til we win it — Do with less so they'll have enough — Remember Pearl Harbor. We hovered over our radios, waiting for the latest news about the war.

military or working long hours in the defense industry. Try to describe the mixed emotions you felt while you removed the handlebars from your bike and donated them to the school scrap metal drive.

Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVASE

You can read about World War II in history books, but a book can't recreate the emotions we all felt when we walked down streets and saw houses with service flags in their windows. A blue star meant a member of that household was serving in the armed forces. A gold star said someone who used to live there died in the war.

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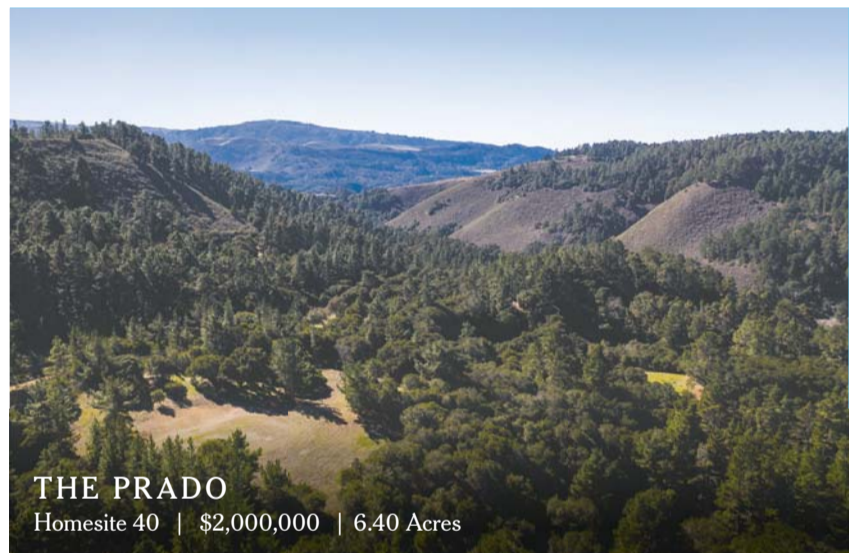
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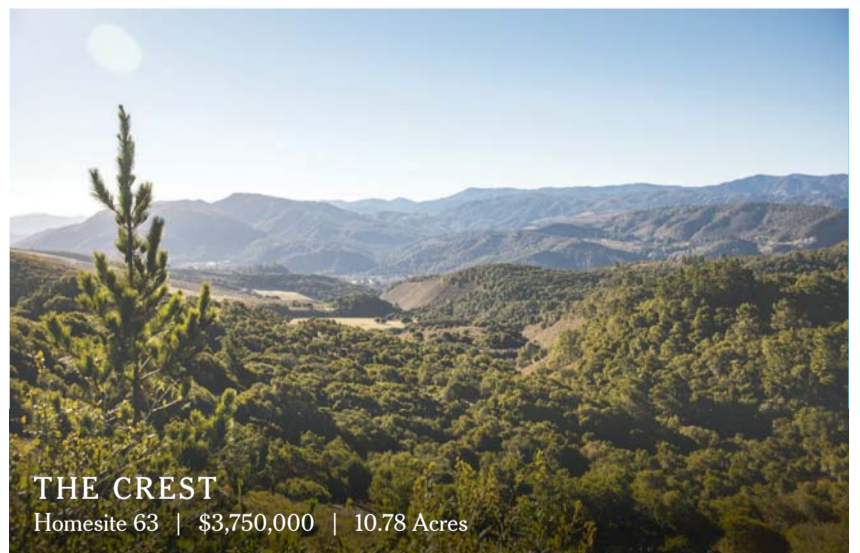
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POLICE LOG

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Pedestrian check at Carpenter and Second at 1109 hours resulted in a 42-year-old male from Prunedale being arrested for possession of a controlled substance, possession of unlawful paraphernalia, felony possession of stolen property, felony violation of probation and felon in possession of a firearm. Another subject, a 47-year-old female, was cited out in the field.

Pacific Grove: Adult Protective Services report of suspected financial elder abuse at a residence on Sinex.

Pacific Grove: Responded to a possible fire on Esplanade Street and made contact with a subject who was determined to be in possession of suspected methamphetamine. The 41-year-old female was cited and released at the scene.

Pacific Grove: Theft of a bike from a residence on Bishop Way.

Pacific Grove: Neighbor issue regarding non-criminal loud children on Pine. Neighbor project mediation information was offered to both parties but was declined.

Pacific Grove: Possible burglary of a shed on Ocean View Boulevard. Door of the shed

was forced open, but it's unknown if anything was taken. Unable to contact the owners.

Pacific Grove: Online tip received and forwarded to the appropriate agency.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle was located on Quarterdeck Way with a license plate that was associated with a different vehicle. License plate confiscated and vehicle towed.

Pacific Grove: Vandalism occurred in the 1100 block of Ripple Avenue. No suspects identified.

Pebble Beach: A vehicle was stolen out of a secured garage at a residence on Sunset Lane. A 31-year-old male suspect was identified and arrested.

FRIDAY, MAY 14

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A report was taken for a lost women's purse.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fall on city property on Dolores south of Ocean.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of dogs barking on Torres south of Fifth. Two people reported concern for the dogs or person who lives there. One of the tenants returned home, and information was obtained. All is well at the residence. The dogs were barking because they were alone.

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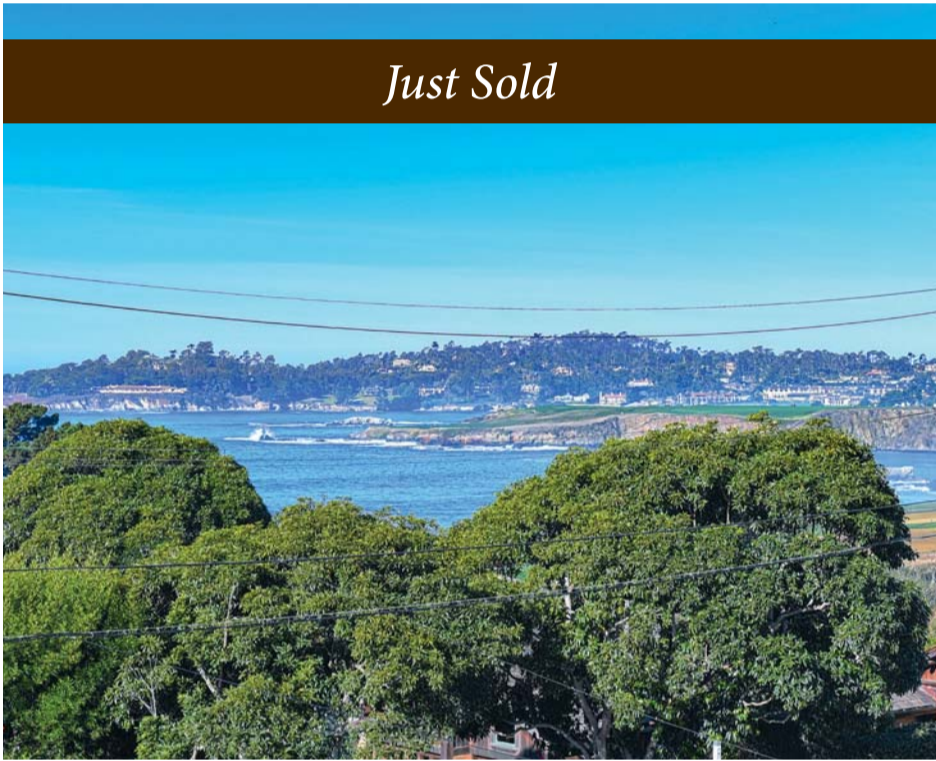
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24790 Outlook Drive — \$540,000

CLS San LLC to Terry and Laurie Thompson
APN: 015-032-004



12260 Carola Drive, Carmel Valley — \$1,175,000

86 Del Mesa Carmel — \$558,000

Paula Beckman to Kathleen Henney
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David and Anne Howerton to Marty Neese and Kimberly Ventre
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3850 Rio Road unit 42 — \$917,000

James Coulter and Finley Trust to Frank Novak and Cynthia Mohr
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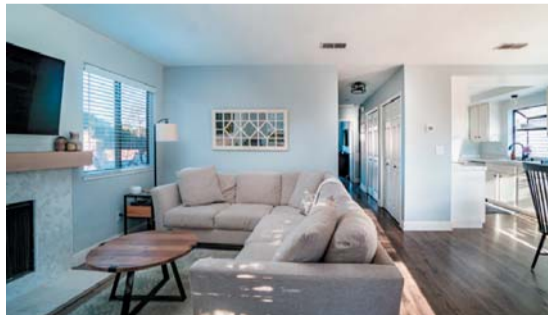
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Jeffrey and Suzanne Walter to Shooting Star
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90 Ford Road — \$1,845,000

Judith Zurlinden to James Tillson
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9952 Holt Road — \$2,600,000

Shanna Fineberg to Henning and Kari Amelung
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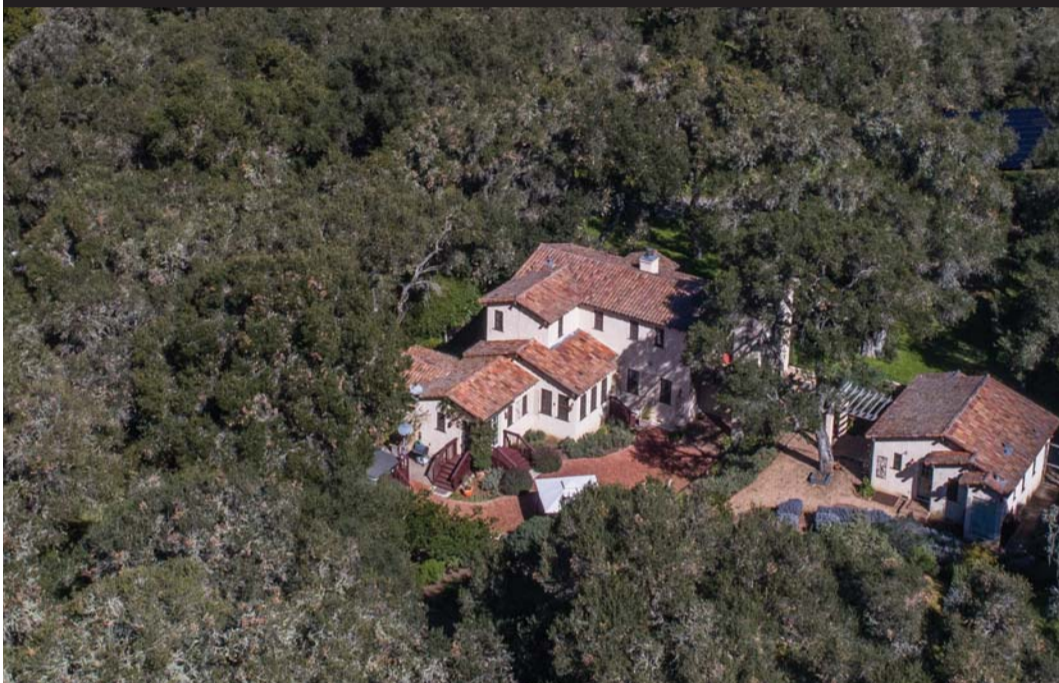
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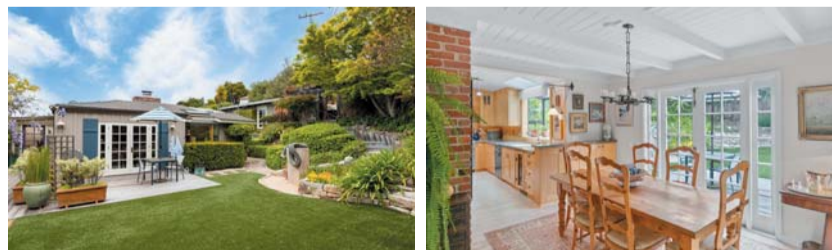
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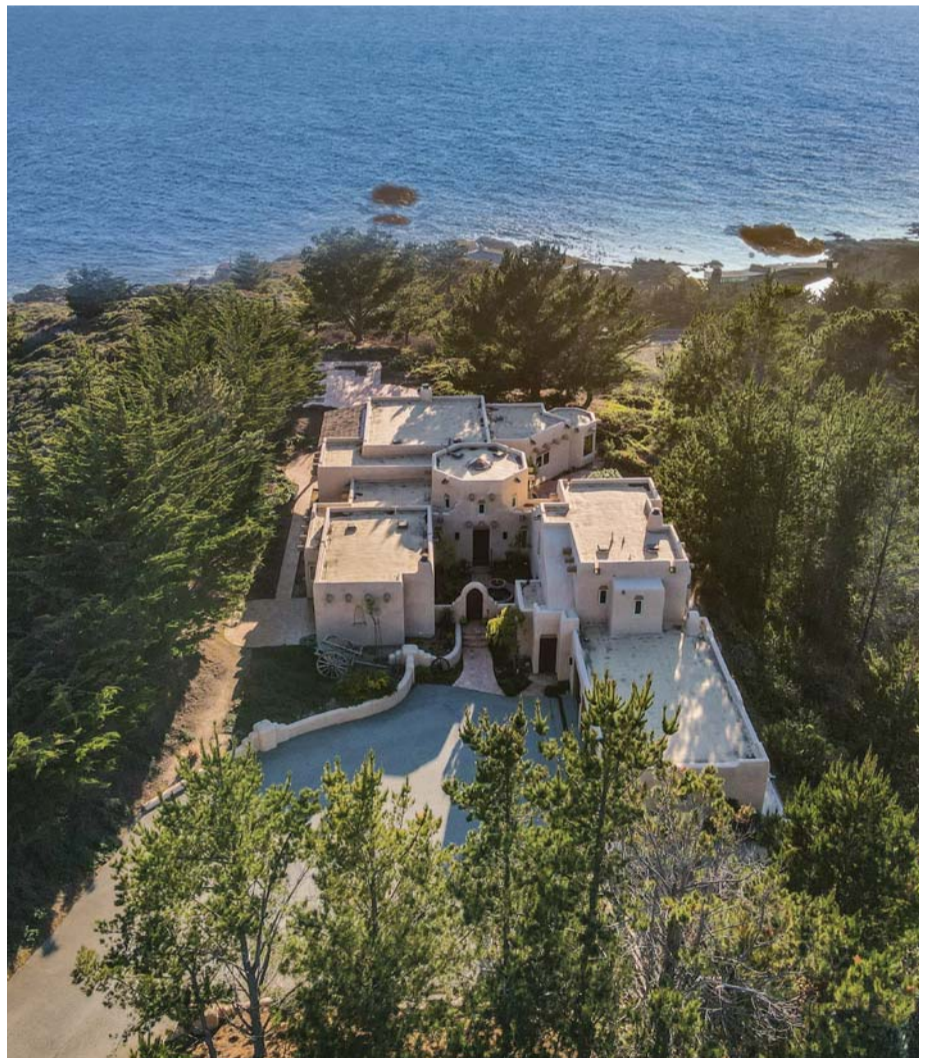
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GAVEL

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On Dec. 4, 2020, he pled guilty to the switchblade charge and admitted violations of probation.

Klugman's counsel requested that Klugman remain on probation, but Judge Culver imposed the five-year prison term, explaining that Klugman was given an opportunity to comply with the terms of his probation and, given his performance since May 2020, she had no expectation he would comply in the future.

March 26 — Veronica and Francisco Martinez, 23 and 22 respectively, residents of King City, pled guilty to attempted murder while personally discharging firearms for the benefit of the Sureño criminal street gang.

On Jan. 13, 2018, Veronica and Martinez were traveling on San Antonio Drive in King City when they observed an SUV they thought was occupied by Norteño criminal street gang members. Veronica and Martinez displayed gang signs and followed the SUV from San Antonio Drive onto Highway 101 northbound. The victims realized they could not outrun Veronica and Martinez and decided to turn around and head back to town. Veronica, the driver, and Martinez, the front passenger, began shooting at the victim SUV, striking it once.

As the victim SUV began traveling southbound, Veronica and Martinez continued to give chase. During the shooting, the victims were actively reporting to 911. A Monterey County park ranger heard the 911 broadcast and observed the suspect vehicle and attempted a traffic stop. Veronica and Martinez exited Highway 101 at Wild Horse Road. The park ranger saw two handguns thrown from the passenger side of the suspect vehicle. Law enforcement later recovered two loaded handguns.

The Honorable Mark E. Hood accepted the guilty pleas and will preside over the sentencings. Heber Veronica will receive 20 years in the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation and Francisco Martinez will receive 12 years. The convictions are considered strikes under California's three strikes laws.

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the same. Our existence remains at risk from foreign actors, yet much of what threatens us comes from within. One of the most disturbing things about Nazism in Germany was how quickly the country changed — from democ-

cracy to concentration camps in fewer than 10 years.

In 2020, we went from a law-abiding society to anarchy in less than a year. We watched major cities burn while a morally bankrupt national media told us we were witnessing “mostly peaceful” demonstrations.

Some are in Congress

There are people who hate this country and are hell-bent on bringing it down. Are they in Iran or China? Not all of them. Some are in the U.S. Congress. We are slouching towards a system that gives our government the power to equalize wealth — a system that cannot work because economic growth requires the hope of profit. As Thomas Sowell said: “Marxists are telling us that what happened in Eastern Europe wasn’t really socialism.”

There is a sad truth about Memorial Day. Remembering our departed reminds us of our own mortality. Cultures are mortal, too. The enemy within is far worse than the enemy without.

If patriotism is love for or devotion to one’s country, it should include respect for your country’s symbols. There

was a time when I thought our anthem was too militaristic. It took Ronald Reagan to change my mind. “Our National Anthem,” he said, “was the only one ending with both a question and a challenge: *Does that flag still wave over the land of the free and the home of the brave?*” It’s a question we all should ask.

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of possible family dispute at Santa Fe and Third.

Pacific Grove: Unknown person defrauded a victim on Central Avenue of \$1,200 via a gift card scam.

Pacific Grove: Burglary of a vehicle on Laurel.

Carmel Valley: Online report of identity theft at a Woodside Place residence.

Carmel Valley: Subjects contacted during a verbal argument on Carmel Valley Road.

Pebble Beach: Deputies responded to a report of a physical domestic dispute on Spanish Bay Road. A 50-year-old male was arrested and charged with domestic violence and multiple other charges.

Carmel area: A husband and wife on Camino del Monte got into an argument over their finances.

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Bank account fraud reported at Tor-

res and Ocean.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fraudulent registration tab displayed on a vehicle at Ocean and Carpenter. The 23-year-old driver was cited and released.

Pacific Grove: Non-injury vehicle collision on Evans.

Pacific Grove: Hit-and-run collision on Forest Avenue. Suspect identified.

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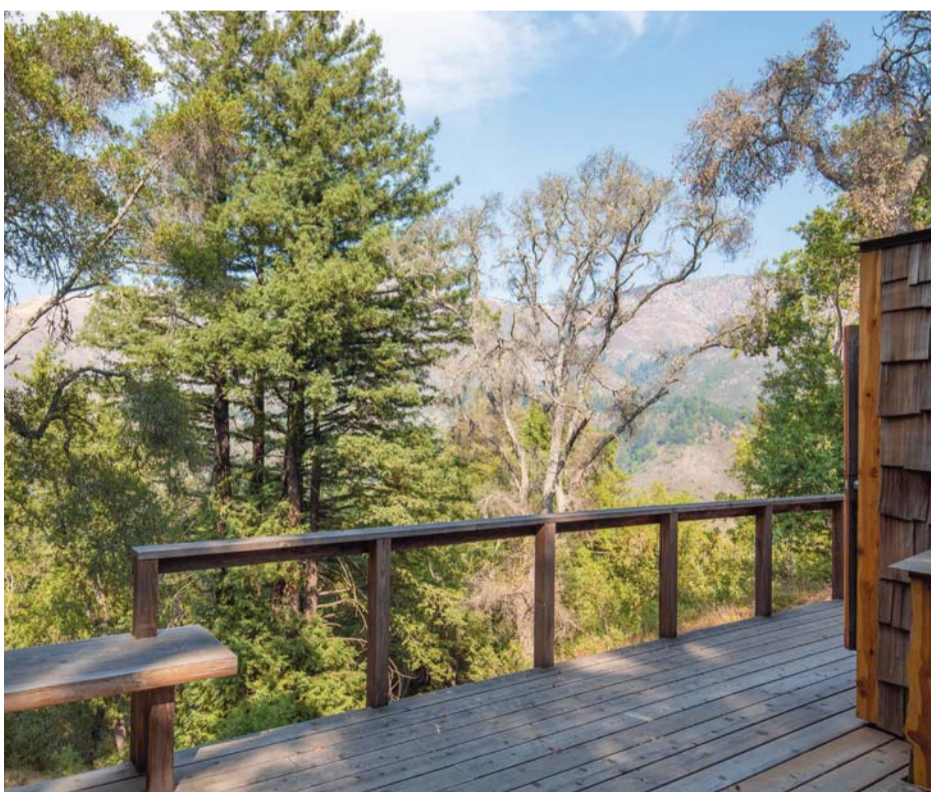
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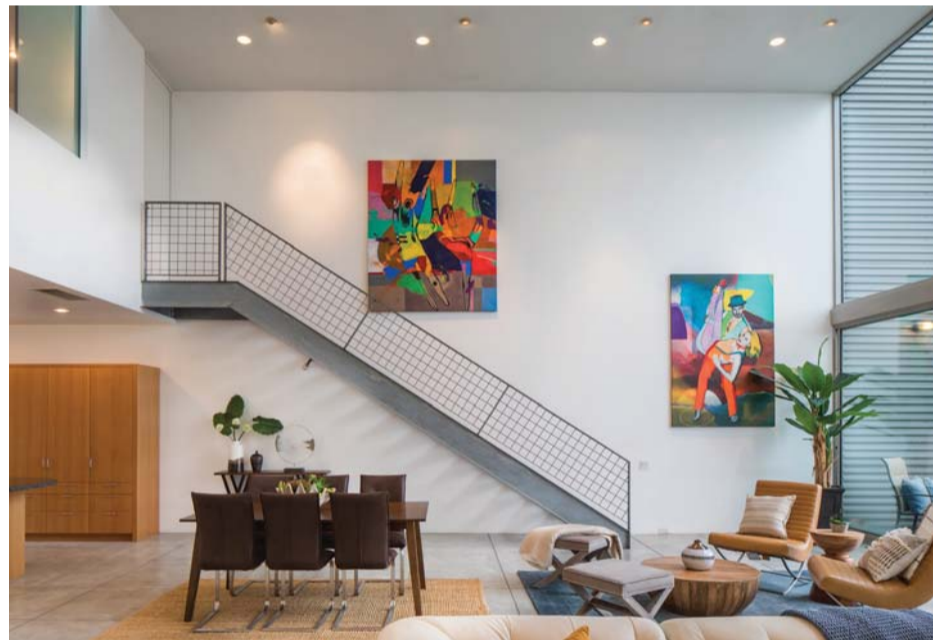




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