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Flamingo invasion on Ocean Avenue



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Is this how you would react if your friends "flocked" you? Flo Snyder did, and for a very good reason. See page 12A.

Firefighters explain why Willow Fire wasn't worse

By CHRIS COUNTS

A WILDFIRE that erupted deep in the Big Sur backcountry June 17 shortly after sunset has so far scorched more than 2,800 acres. But favorable weather conditions have kept the fire's growth to a minimum in recent days — between Tuesday and Thursday, it only burned an additional 29 acres.

"Yesterday, firefighters took advantage of the continued favorable weather conditions and moderate fire behavior to finish preparing contingency lines along old fire control lines and adjacent roads east of the fire area," the U.S. Forest Service reported Thursday afternoon.

"Crews also completed most of the community, residential and recreation infrastructure protection in the Tassajara and Arroyo Seco areas to the north and east of the fire area," officials said.

Nowhere to burn

Even more encouraging, the fire is expected to bump up against areas that burned in recent years, depriving it of the vegetation it needs to keep burning. "There's only so far it can go before it runs out of fuel," Andrew Madsen of the forest service told *The Pine Cone*. "It's in this little area that the Soberanes and Dolan fires didn't clear out — thermal images aren't showing a lot of heat coming off the fire."

The cause of the fire is still unknown — and under investigation — but Madsen noted that it started along the

Marble Peak Trail near a tributary known as Willow Creek, which is not the same Willow Creek that spills into the ocean along the Big Sur coast. Fire officials are calling it the Willow Fire, and it's located just south of the Tassa-

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PHOTO/COURTESY USFS

A hot shot crew on its way to fight the Willow Fire boards a helicopter Wednesday at Miller Ranch along Arroyo Seco Road.

With virus on skids, employers seek clarity on rules

By MARY SCHLEY

ONLY ONE person remains hospitalized with Covid-19 in all of Monterey County, officials said during a conference call with the media Wednesday.

"At Community Hospital, we discharged our last Covid patient on the 6th of June," said infectious disease specialist Dr. Martha Blum. "In the last 30 days, we've had just three Covid admissions and only five positive coronavirus tests out of all the tests we've done in the last 30 days."

"Right now, it's great that we don't have any patients at our hospital in Salinas with Covid," said Dr. Mahendra Poudel, a specialist in infectious disease from Salinas Valley Memorial.

"At one point, we had over 100 patients and our floors were filled with these patients, and we were struggling to find resources, manpower, nurses and ventilators."

One, unfortunately

He credited the steep drop in cases to mask wearing, distancing, and the efficacy of the vaccines and vaccination rates, with 66 percent of eligible county residents having received at least one dose as of this week.

Dr. Craig Walls, chief medical officer at the county-run Natividad Medical Center, said the facility "unfortunately has one Covid patient, as of today," and everyone else who was in recovery has since been discharged.

Testing and vaccinating

To keep the numbers down and continue on the path to reopening, Blum encouraged everyone to take advantage of the vaccines. She emphasized their demonstrated effectiveness against the more aggressive mutant strains of the virus, including the Delta variant that originated in India and has spread to California but has yet to be detected in Monterey County.

"We do want everyone out there to take full advantage of the vaccines," she said. "We particularly want to encourage young people who may not think this is a big deal for them to go out and get vaccinated" and enjoy the benefits, including getting rid of masks in most cases and experiencing the overriding relief that comes with being protected from a virus that's killed more than 600,000 people nationwide.

She also said that anyone who has symptoms of Covid-19, regardless of vaccination status, should take them seriously and get tested.

"We have seen a small number of breakthrough infec-

See **VIRUS** page 16A

City officials want you to plan for disasters

By MARY SCHLEY

THE OLD air-raid siren on top of the Sixth Avenue firehouse still works, a test Tuesday night during the city's wildfire community meeting at the Forest Theater confirmed, and those signed up to receive warning texts and messages from alertmontereycounty.org got notification of the test — which was also a test.

The siren, Police Chief Paul Tomasi said during the June 22 meeting, is to remind people to be on the lookout for critical information sent by call or text in the event of a wildfire, earthquake, tsunami or other disaster. "The key is with the siren, if you hear it, check your phone," for information from the city on a threat, evacuation routes, shelter locations and other important information, he said.

Loud and clear

"If it's in the middle of the night, you can hear it all the way in Pacific Grove," Tomasi said. But during the windy evening Tuesday, some residents on the south end of town said they didn't hear the siren, while another who was not aware it would be tested made a panicked call to 911.

The county alert system would be used, along with reverse 911 calls — and even police officers driving around town speaking over their PA systems — to get the word out. A representative from the Monterey County Office of

See **PLAN** page 22A

Huge tree sidesteps the ax by falling



PHOTO/PAUL FALWORTH

Talk about taking your fate into your own hands. That's what a big Monterey pine on Lincoln Street did Monday. See page 5A.

DA drops Jody LeTowt from Tuck Box lawsuit

By MARY SCHLEY

ACKNOWLEDGING HE had nothing to do with the operations of The Tuck Box during the coronavirus shutdowns, the Monterey County District Attorney's Office has dropped Jody LeTowt — who owns the building where the restaurant is located — from the lawsuit filed against the business in January.

Last month, deputy district attorney Emily Hickok asked the court to dismiss the case against LeTowt, who will still have to pay his lawyer for her work on the case.

In January, Hickok sued Tuck Box owner Jeff LeTowt, Jody's son, for his refusal to stop serving people at his Dolores Street restaurant when the governor's shelter-in-place order allowed only takeout, and for not following other Covid-19 safety rules. The suit followed similar legal action a year ago that resulted in LeTowt paying \$15,000 in fines and agreeing not to break the rules again, with

another \$20,000 fine imposed if he did. Following multiple complaints last December that LeTowt was again flouting the rules, Hickok imposed the settlement terms to demand the rest of the fine.

Penalties sought

While she asked a judge to issue an injunction ordering Jeff LeTowt to stop violating the law, she also demanded civil penalties and other fines that targeted his dad, who holds some of the licenses for the Tuck Box, owns the building it's in and is a trustee for the LeTowt Family Trust.

The D.A.'s lawsuit stemmed from repeated violations, including serving customers at tables even after the Monterey County environmental health department revoked the restaurant's permit due to repeated failure to comply with the orders. She also alleged the Tuck Box's continued

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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Canine comfort

THEIR DAD, nearing 90, was feeling a little lonely. He was used to living with his wife and their dog, he now had neither. So his kids set out in search of a dog for him to adopt – one not too energetic, but rather a calm, comforting canine.

When they showed up with a dog of unidentifiable heritage, Dad looked at the little mutt, rubbed his chin and said, "You know, she'll outlive me." And then he named her Coco and claimed her as his new companion.

"We don't know exactly what breeds are involved in Coco," her person said. "We were told she might have some Labrador mixed in, but we can't see it. She's black, with white paws and, like old dogs and old men, she's now white around her muzzle."

As Dad predicted, three years after her adoption, Coco came to live with the kids in Carmel Valley. Now, six years later, she's become quite elderly, herself.

Although just as calm and gentle as the kids hoped she'd be around Dad, she's also very friendly, her family says. She'll climb into the lap of anyone who'll let her.



"These days, like a lot of old folks, Coco spends her time sleeping," said her person. "In her case, alongside our equally elderly cat, Stella. They're both a little blind and a little deaf, which makes for a great relationship."

Back in the day, Coco had quite a time cavorting along Carmel Beach, but that was several years ago, when she could still walk more than 100 yards.

"These days, Coco's on more meds than I am," her person said. "She's past her prime, but she's been a wonderful addition to our family. Someday we'll be the old folks in need of a little companionship. I hope we have a dog as comforting as Coco."

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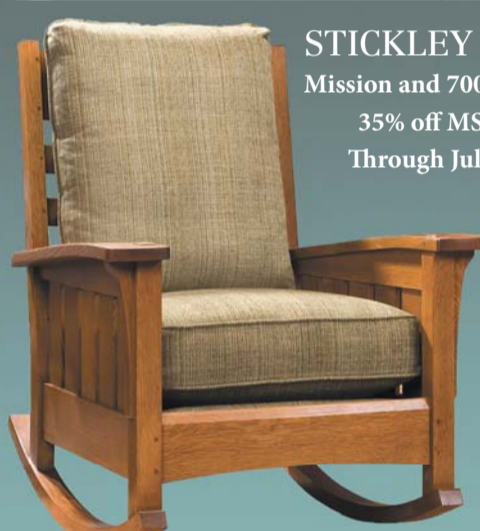


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City hiring spree underway — kind of

By MARY SCHLEY

WITH THE passage of its \$25.5 million budget earlier this month, the city council authorized the hiring of 10 full-time and part-time employees, and now efforts are underway to get some of those spots filled, according to assistant city administrator Maxine Gullo, along with several existing vacancies.

She said she anticipates offers will be made next month to prospective hires looking for work as officers and dispatchers at the police department, which needs to fill a number of existing positions to get back to full staffing and added another dispatcher position in the 2021-2022 budget. She also hopes to ink deals with a new firefighter-paramedic to fill a job that's been vacant for well over two years and an assistant planner to replace Catherine Tarone, who recently left the city.

Librarians wanted

Three people who were laid off during last year's major budget cuts are being offered their jobs back, according to the city's layoff policy, which states they have to be rehired if their former positions open within 24 months of when they were fired. Gullo is reaching out to former administrative coordinator Yvette Oblander, maintenance worker Shawn Aguirre and project manager Robert Estrella to see if they're interested in rejoining the city payroll.

"If the employee should accept the posi-

tion, we anticipate a start date in July," she said. "If not, a recruitment will be scheduled accordingly."

Gullo said she's handling all the recruiting in house, rather than hiring a headhunter to do it, with listings posted on the city's website and CalOpps, which bills itself as, "Your ultimate resource for public employment opportunities."

As of this week, though, only the police officer and police services officer (dispatcher) positions were listed on the job-search site, with none at all on the city's site.

Before the libraries can fully reopen, the city also has to bring in new librarians and library assistants, and Gullo said she is working on recruitment strategies for those jobs, including reviewing the job description, creating the job announcement, developing advertising and determining the appropriate testing processes, which could include written exams, panel interviews and other evaluations.

She'll do the same to bring on another full-time assistant planner that was added to the budget by city administrator Chip Rerig to handle special projects like the climate action plan, paid parking and affordable housing.

Hunting for an additional finance specialist will begin in the fall or winter, according to Gullo.

She did not say when the additional part-time IT specialist funded in the 2021-2022 budget will be hired.



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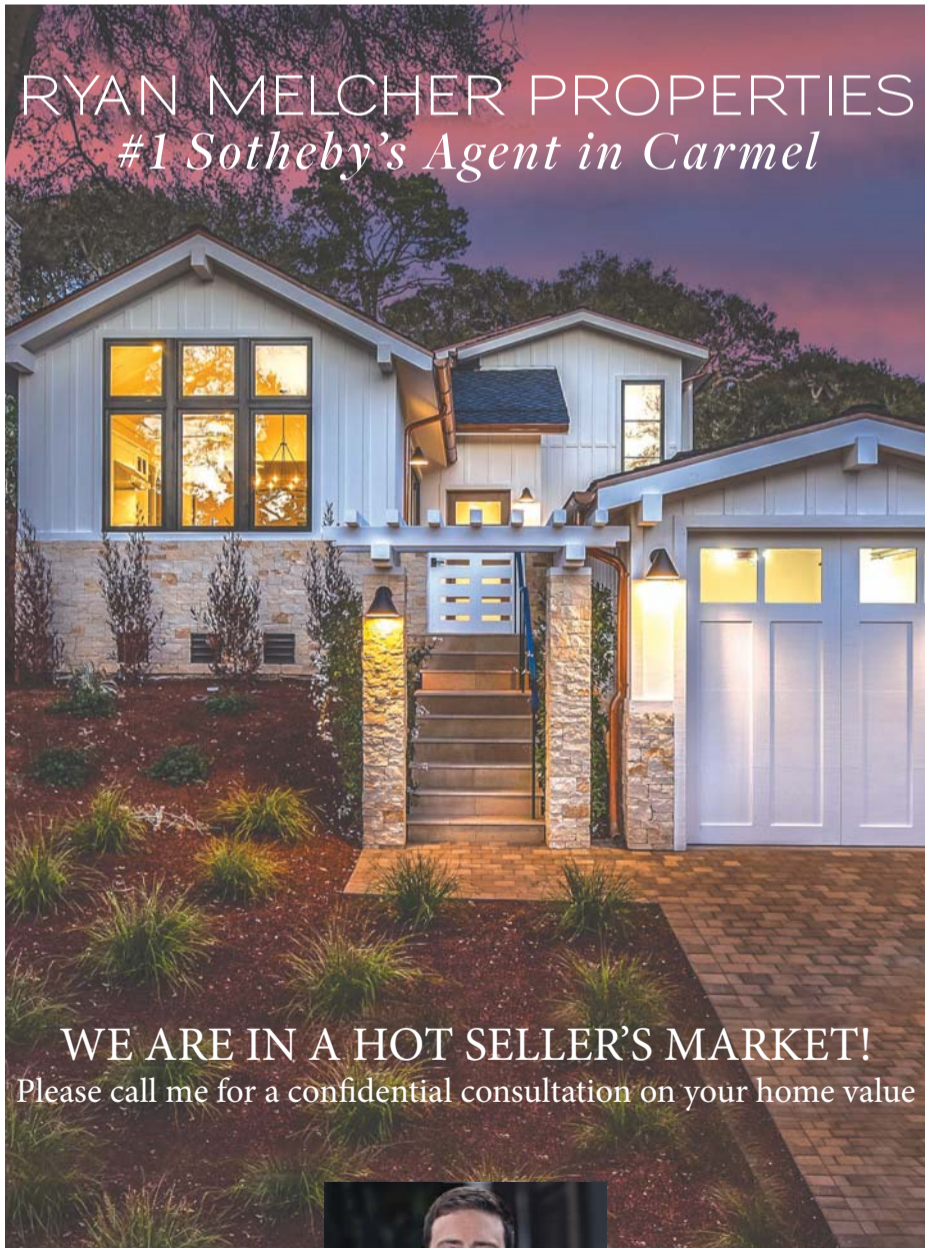
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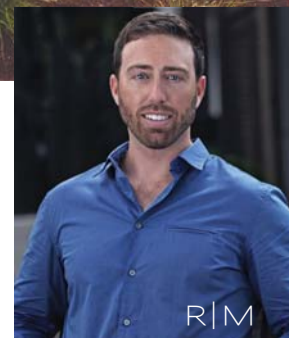
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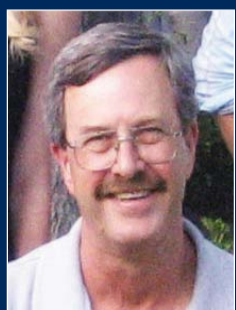


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Police & Sheriff's Log

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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, JUNE 9

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 36-year-old hotel manager who lives at Ocean and Torres was arrested on Lincoln south of Ocean for trespassing/refusing to leave and was transported to Monterey County Jail.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Verbal dispute at Ocean and San Carlos.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle towed from Monte Verde and Ninth per section 22651(o) VC, expired registration.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found cell phone in the business area was turned over to an officer in the field. Placed into safekeeping pending contact with the owner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic stop on Santa Rita south of Ocean resulted in marijuana being confiscated from a minor. Marijuana booked for destruction.

Pacific Grove: Dispatched to an animal kill in front of an address on Surf Way. Officers were unable to determine if it was a mountain lion or coyote kill.

Pacific Grove: Report of a catalytic converter taken from a parked vehicle on Union Street. No suspect identified at this time.

Pacific Grove: A vehicle repo was called into records for an Arkwright Court address.

Pacific Grove: Landlord/tenant dispute on Redwood Lane. Civil information provided.

Pacific Grove: Report of a fraudulent Craigslist rental listing on 15th Street.

Pacific Grove: Report of a physical domestic incident on Pine.

Pacific Grove: Cyber tip regarding possession/distribution of obscene material.

Pacific Grove: Animal welfare check on David Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Missing adult reported from a residence on Ransford.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to Rancho Road for a report of a missing laptop.

Carmel Valley: A female driver stabbed a male driver's tire after a road rage incident on Carmel Valley Road.

Pebble Beach: A female on 17 Mile Drive was referred to the hospital for a psychiatric evaluation.

Carmel area: Fraudulent prescription for medications was reported by a Crossroads business. Subject remain(s) at large.

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male came to station to report losing his wallet while visiting the downtown area. He needed a report in order to fly back to his home state.

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



The gavel falls

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

April 12 — David Michael Burge was sentenced by the Honorable Stephanie E. Hulsey to five years in state prison after a jury found him guilty of four felony charges, including the strangulation of a woman with whom he previously shared a dating relationship. In addition to this sentence, Judge Hulsey sentenced him to serve a consecutive three years, eight months in state prison for violations of his felony grants of probation. Burge will serve a total sentence, for all cases, of eight years, eight months in the custody of the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

April 14 — The Honorable Thomas W. Wills entered a stipulated judgment between the People of the State of California and Mi Fiesta Smoke Shop No. 2 and its principal, Sima Maida. Under the terms of the stipulated judgment, Maida paid \$50,000 in civil penalties and \$5,000 in costs. He is also subject to an injunction that, among other things, prohibits him from selling cannabis products without the proper licenses.

This settlement stems from an April 17, 2019, tobacco shop inspection conducted by the Monterey County Sheriff's Office at Mi Fiesta No. 2. During the inspection, the sheriff observed vaporizer cartridges available for sale to the public that appeared, based on the packaging, to contain tetrahydrocannabinol. Mi Fiesta No. 2 did not possess the

proper state and local licenses to sell cannabis products. The sheriff seized approximately 99 THC cartridges and, after conducting further investigation, referred the matter to the district attorney's cannabis enforcement unit. Evidence suggested the THC cartridges were available to the public for a short period of time, and there was no evidence that any THC cartridges were ever sold to the public.

April 14 — The Honorable Pamela L. Butler sentenced Rafael Guzman, 22, to eight years, eight months in state prison for first degree robbery while armed with a firearm, first degree burglary, robbery, grand theft from the person of another, and two counts of unlawfully taking a vehicle.

On Aug. 12, 2020, Seaside police officers were dispatched to a burglary in progress at Sure Stay Inn. The victim stated the defendant had his face covered with a red bandana and was armed with a knife when he demanded money. The defendant stole approximately \$1,500.

On Aug. 14, 2020, Seaside police officers were dispatched to the Sandcastle Inn for a robbery. While at the hotel with the victims, the defendant brandished a weapon and demanded that they empty their pockets and give him their cell phones and car keys.

On Aug. 18, 2020, Monterey police of-

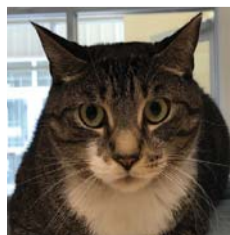
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Pine falls before tree service gets to it

Will be milled for lumber

By MARY SCHLEY

A LARGE dead Monterey pine on Lincoln Street north of Fifth blew down in gusty winds June 21 shortly before 8 p.m., crushing a carport and shutting down the street for several hours.

Merrill Leslie, who lives across the street, had been concerned about the tree. “Ten or 12 days ago, I called the city forester and left this message on her voicemail: ‘My window looks west toward Lincoln between Fourth and Fifth. There is a very tall, 60-to-80-foot-high tree completely brown and leaning to the south.’”

“It just fell 20 minutes ago,” Leslie told The Pine Cone Monday night.

The owners of the tree, Linda and Jackson Smith, were clearly worried about it, too, according to city forester Sara Davis,

who said the tree’s condition declined rapidly due to drought and an infestation of bark beetles.

“It will be green one day and completely brown the next day,” she said.

The Smiths asked Davis to evaluate the tree and subsequently received a permit to remove it, scheduling Iverson’s Tree Service to do the work on Thursday, Davis said. She knew the date because the Smiths decided to have the pine’s largest sections milled so the lumber can be used for city projects around town.

But nature got ahead of the plan when the pine blew down Monday night, crushing another neighbor’s carport in the process, but missing cars and not injuring anyone. Firefighters and police officers quickly responded and closed the street, and Iverson’s soon arrived to cut and chip

See TREE page 31A

Tom Pollacci moved to county jail

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

TOM POLLACCI, the former Pebble Beach resident who was convicted of forcible rape in 2010 and pleaded guilty to another rape a year later in order to avoid a trial and possible life sentence, has been transferred from Valley State Prison in Chowchilla to Monterey County Jail.

Pollacci finished his 14-year prison sentence for the crimes and is now being held at the jail without bail while the Monterey County District Attorney’s Office petitions to have him committed to a state hospital as

a sexually violent predator.

Pollacci, who turns 62 on July 2, was booked into county jail June 18. A hearing in his case was set for June 23 but was delayed to July 14, according to assistant district attorney Marisol Mendez, who heads the office’s sexually violent predator unit.

A judge has ruled that Pollacci must stay in the county jail until a determination is made on whether he should be considered a sexually violent predator and moved to the hospital for treatment. If the DA’s office fails to convince a judge Pollacci qualifies, he will be reased on parole.



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WATER DISTRICT WANTS HEARING OVER CAL AM DESAL COMPLAINT

Also seeks to reverse 1,000-acre-foot cutback

By CHRIS COUNTS

EIGHT MONTHS after California American Water Company sent a letter to state water officials claiming that opposition from the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District is delaying the desal plant Cal Am wants to build in the Marina dunes, the water district sent a letter this week to the state water board requesting a public hearing so it can refute the claim.

"We feel Cal Am's letter mischaracterized what happened," said water district general manager Dave Stoldt, who added that Cal Am had previously blamed Monterey County Superior Court and the Coastal Commission for the delay in a desal report that came out the previous June.

The Cal Am letter called the district a "staunch" opponent of the desal project. Stoldt agreed the district's new board "has become" opposed to desal, but he says that's because it believes an expansion of water reclamation project "is more environmentally friendly" and can provide

enough water "to carry us for several decades."

Stoldt also said he believes the hearing is needed to try to reverse a 1,000-acre-foot cutback in Peninsula water use that went into effect Sept. 30.

Stoldt said reversing the 1,000-acre-foot cutback would benefit local water customers, putting them "in a slightly better position" in 2022-23.

Worth the effort?

While Stoldt suggested the hearing would be worth the effort to bring some savings to water customers, Cal Am spokesperson Catherine Stedman took another view.

Despite the cutback, "We believe we should be fine this year and next," countered Stedman, who said aquifer storage recovery credits will make it possible to pump the water that is needed. "Any hearing process would be time consuming, and it remains to be seen if the state water board takes this up."

Stoldt conceded the hearing might never happen.

"The board has its hands full," he said. "Getting on docket could take a while."

Vacationing paramedic resuscitates man drowning in Montana river

By MARY SCHLEY

WHEN LONGTIME paramedic Myles Routh was fly fishing with his girlfriend on Rock Creek near Missoula, Mont., Wednesday, he thought she was joking when she told him she saw a body with a fishing pole floating down the swiftly flowing river. But she wasn't.

Routh had gotten his line tangled in some brush and was messing with it when his girlfriend, Sarah Landig, called out that she had seen a body in the water.

"I said, 'Yeah, right,'" he told The Pine Cone as the couple drove through Idaho Thursday morning. She insisted she had, and he soon realized she wasn't teasing.

"She said, 'No I'm serious, I just saw a body go by,'" he recounted. The river turned to the right and flowed out of sight, so he ran across to see if he could spot whatever she'd seen.

Routh initially missed it until she pointed out the neon green shirt the stricken man was wearing, at which point he plunged into the river.

"He was face down and hung up on some rocks, so I grabbed him and we started floating down the river into the current,

and I got him into this semi-calm spot," Routh continued.

Landig came to help but nearly became a victim herself when she started to get sucked under a nearby tree by the current, but Routh managed to grab her and pull her out. He dialed 911 and got to work performing chest compressions on the unconscious man.

"I did CPR for about 4 minutes before I got a pulse back," he said, while Landig ran to the road to flag people down.

"When I was doing CPR, you could hear him gurgling," due to the water in his lungs, Routh said. "He had a lot of gurgling respiration."

Airlifted

Other people who happened to be nearby helped pulled the man from the river and up onto the road, where an ambulance arrived to get him to a helicopter that would fly him to the hospital in Missoula.

"He was breathing and had a pulse," Routh said.

But he learned Thursday morning that the man ended up having another heart at-

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SUPES OK \$42 MILLION CARMEL RIVER FREE FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT

By CHRIS COUNTS

MOVING FORWARD with an ambitious infrastructure idea that backers say is good for homes and nature, the Monterey County Supervisors voted 5-0 June 15 to approve the Carmel River Free flood control project.

Just before making the motion to OK the work — which is estimated to cost \$42 million in taxpayers funds — 5th District Supervisor Mary Adams told her colleagues she is “absolutely thrilled” to see it get the green light.

“Our action today is a key step in moving this from planning into the final construction phase,” she added.

Spearheaded by residents and the Big Sur Land Trust, the project includes building a 360-foot-long causeway under Highway 1 so flood waters can flow into the south arm of the Carmel Lagoon, grading the flood plain, raising 23 acres out of the floodplain for future use as an agricultural preserve, constructing trails, and restoring native habitat.

The work also requires removing about 1,470 feet of earthen levees on the south side of the Carmel River channel on property owned by the Big Sur Land Trust, and undergrounding pipelines belonging to the nearby Carmel Area Wastewater District facility.

Supporters say the project would significantly reduce the threat of flooding for more than 300 homes and businesses in low-lying areas near Carmel River. The plan came out of talks that began after severe flooding damaged many homes in 1995 and again in 1998.

Backers speak out

Supporters of the plan spoke out in favor of it June 15.

Kathleen Lee, a board member for the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District, called the plan “a dream public-private partnership being held up as a model in other areas.”

Trish Chapman of the California Coastal Conservancy said the agency has been “strongly” backing the plan since 2008,

and she called it “an important green infrastructure project that improves habitat and reduces flood risk.”

Margaret Robbins, who lives in a neighborhood with a severe flood risk, said some have suggested that she move to higher ground. But she’s staying put. “Moving out is not the answer,” she suggested. “Flood control is.”

The president of the Big Sur Land Trust, Jeannette Tuitele-Lewis, said her group has “invested tremendous staff time and resources on the plan, which she suggested will ultimately save the county millions of dollars by reducing the threat of flooding.

“The project offers a significant public benefit,” Tuitele-Lewis said. “We need nature-based solutions like this.”

Monterey County planning commissioner Martha Diehl, who also represents the Big Sur Byways group, urged supervisors to commit to the plan, which she noted will not only help save homes and businesses, but make it possible to install a left hand turn lane along Highway 1 to provide access to a parking lot for Palo Corona Regional Park.

CAWD pipe must be buried

During the hearing, several speakers noted that the county still needs to work out details with the Carmel Area Wastewater District because the project requires that above-ground wastewater pipelines in the south arm of the lagoon to be placed underground. The cost of the work is estimated at \$6.8 million.

The county, which approved the environmental impact report for the plan in January 2020, has so far raised about \$17 million for the project, with another \$28 million sought through grant applications. The county’s Melanie Beretti said she’s confident the money necessary to complete the work will be raised.

“We have multiple grant applications approved or close to being approved,” said Beretti, who has a “high level of certainty” that the money will materialize.

The work is set to begin in 2023 and must be completed the following year to meet grant deadlines.

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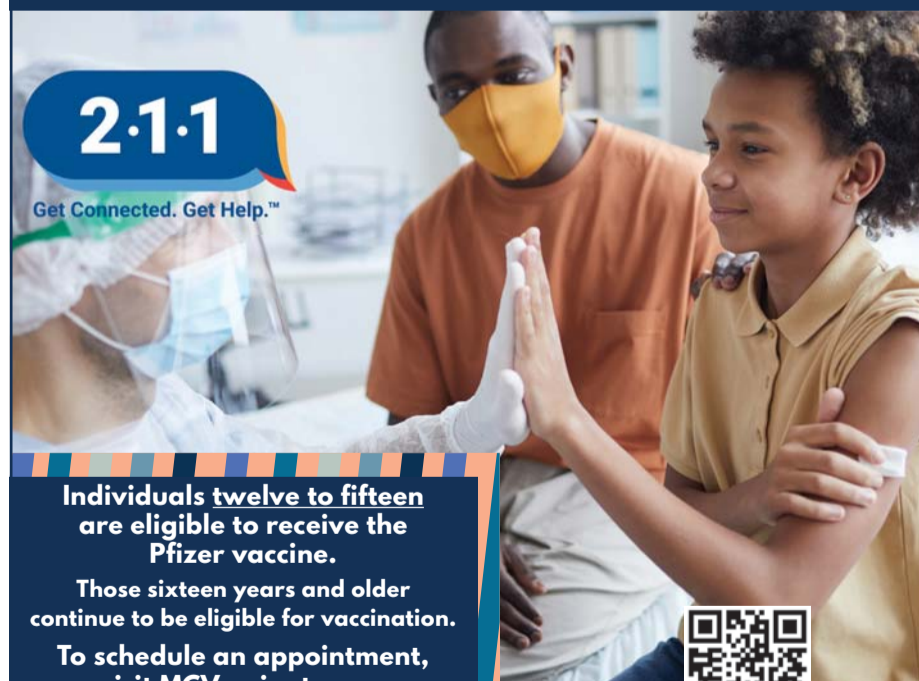
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Panetta backs P.G. group's vision for unwanted NOAA building

By CHRIS COUNTS

OFFERING HOPE to a group of locals who want the federal government to give the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration building in Pacific Grove to the city, Congressman Jimmy Panetta sent a letter this month backing the idea and urging the feds to go along with it.

The group wants to use the building as a resource center for ocean art, science and technology. They are calling it "COAST."

Located just steps from Pacific Grove's tidepools and its oceanfront hiking trail, the building is big, boxy and ringed with fencing. It's also adorned with environmental-themed murals.

Panetta's letter was addressed to the U.S. General Services Administration, which is tasked with disposing of federal property deemed nonessential.

Congressman pushes feds

Panetta said the city's efforts to acquire the building began nearly a decade ago, and he suggested the federal government hasn't adequately addressed them.

"In 2012, the Pacific Grove City Council passed a resolution requesting a public benefit conveyance for this property," Panetta wrote. "A similar resolution was put forward and passed in 2021. Most recently, a petition echoing this sentiment was signed by over 700 individuals with the backing of the Pacific Grove mayor and chamber of commerce. The federal government, regrettably, has continued to ignore the local community's desire to see the property transferred in a manner consistent with retaining public benefit."

Panetta suggested the sale should benefit the town and its residents. He noted that those who signed the petition "echoed this sentiment."

"While I can appreciate the federal government's desire to maximize the financial return on the sale, I question whether this objective should supersede the interests of the local community," the congressman said. If the federal government simply sells the building to the highest bidder, Panetta is concerned local and state regulations won't be respected on the property.

"I am very supportive of restrictions on the property's development," he continued, but he worries a private buyer might not be.

Instead the congressman wants to see a nonprofit take the building over and put it to good use. "I believe the most practical future for this property resides with a group

committed to marine research, education and recreation," wrote Panetta.

He also asked the feds to ensure in writing that the land will be used in accordance with local and state laws.

"It is my hope that the GSA will consider the concerns raised by my constituents and commit to a more transpar-

ent, locally driven approach to this project and any projects in the future," he added.

The resident who came up with the idea for the city to acquire the building, Pacific Grove gallery owner and

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Marine platoon reunites to honor Larry Larson, share Vietnam stories

By MARY SCHLEY

SURVIVING PLATOON members who fought together during the Vietnam War will hold a reunion this weekend to honor fellow soldier Larry Larson, who was killed in action on Easter Sunday in 1967 — and for whom Carmel Mission's Larson Field is named.

They'll also gather and share their stories at River House Books on Sunday during a signing by retired Marine Lt. Col. John Lang. His book, "A Final Valiant Act," tells the story of Doug Dickey, a 20-year-old Marine who dove on a grenade during a battle near the Demilitarized Zone on March 26, 1967. Larson was the first Marine to die in that firefight, according to Lang, and he figures in the book as well.

"The survivors of Doug's platoon started holding yearly reunions in 1997 and have generally moved them around the country to the hometowns of their comrades who were killed in action," Lang explained. Their first reunion was held in Dickey's hometown of Rossburg, Ohio, where his mother and father "were able to meet with the men their son sacrificed his life to save."

Path to priesthood

Until the coronavirus pandemic fouled up their plans, the men were set to gather in Carmel last June to honor Larson, who grew up here and had intended to become a priest but was driven to enlist before attending seminary.

"Larry had seen a number of obituaries

of young men in the newspaper who had been killed in Vietnam who were married and left behind children and widows," Lang said. "Larry felt that he was obliged to go to enlist to take at least one man's place in Vietnam before he continued to pursue his path to the priesthood."

He was the first Marine to die when his platoon encountered a much larger, well-fortified unit of North Vietnamese soldiers. The ballfield in his hometown was named for him the following year.

The proposal for a plaque came about after Lang mentioned to the platoon survivors that almost no one here knew the story of the man for whom the field is named. He got permission from the Mission

to have one made of bronze and install it on a wall at the ballpark.

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Larry Larson in Okinawa in January 1967, just before his platoon returned to Vietnam. Larson was killed in action a few months later.

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First mention —

A beautiful voice that commanded attention

By ELAINE HESSER

OPINIONATED? YES. Outspoken and controversial? Sure. But more than anything, it's always been about that voice. Critics have described Joan Baez's singing as pure, clear and even "gorgeous." Stephen Holden, writing for the New York Times in 1982, said, "After two decades of public singing, Miss Baez' soprano is as strong and distinctive as it ever was." In 2019, at age 78, she gave what was billed as her last performance, in Madrid, Spain.

In the early 1960s, however, she was new to folk music and to Carmel Valley, where she made her home. The Pine Cone first reported on her on Dec. 14, 1961, when she performed in a "benefit hootenanny" at the Sunset auditorium for KPFA-FM, a listener-supported radio station in Berkeley.

There were other performers on the bill, but The Pine Cone's writer said that Baez's appearance was the "golden moment of the evening," adding, "Everyone just loved Joan."

In November 1962, the paper reported that Baez sang at the home of Ephraim and Rosa Doner in the Highlands — and guests there later found themselves in the background of a Time magazine photo in an article about folk singers.

'Exuberant mood'

Although it's not entirely clear when Baez moved here, the April 4, 1963, edition of the paper reported that "Glorious folk singer Joan Baez, who now draws \$7,000 for a concert," was seen "happily tooling up Ocean Avenue on the back of a motorcycle piloted by another girl in a similarly exuberant mood." Later that year, she sang at a benefit to raise money to expand the Bay School — which the writer called the "Little Red Schoolhouse of the Highlands" — where Rosa Doner was the director.

The summer of 1964 brought a weekend seminar on "The New Folk Music," at the Big Sur Hot Springs Lodge (now the site of Esalen), where Baez's sister, Mimi — a

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Joan Baez was new to the area in 1962 (left), when Life magazine did a beach photo shoot. In 1965 (right), she attended an hours-long county supervisors' meeting to obtain approval for her Institute for the Study of Nonviolence in Carmel Valley.

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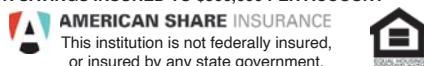


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Woman's club honors Flo Snyder on her birthday with 89 flamingos

By CHRIS COUNTS

WHILE RESIDENTS around here are accustomed to seeing wildlife in their yards, Flo Snyder can be forgiven for being startled at the sight of 89 pink flamingos "grazing" in her yard June 22. The house is located on Ocean just east of Carpenter.

"I thought I must be losing my mind," Snyder told The Pine Cone shortly after discovering them.

But then she saw a large sign wishing her a happy birthday — she turned 89 Tuesday — and she quickly realized the tacky plastic birds were part of its celebration. "This was the doing of the Carmel Woman's Club," she determined.

While neighbors stopped by for a closer look — and

motorists found themselves distracted by the curious sight — Snyder joked about what an eyesore the birds are and how they will torpedo her property's value.

"The Carmel Woman's Club does do a lot good and serious things, but once in a while, they go off the deep end," she declared.

Dandy Dodgers

Later the same day, members of the woman's club took Snyder to the Beach Club for lunch. Since she's of Armenian descent, her friends brought along decorations made of the country's flag colors. "Even the face masks were red, blue and orange," noted Snyder, who was impressed by the detail.

As a young woman, Snyder had the kind of life any

baseball fan would dream of — when the Brooklyn Dodgers moved to Los Angeles after the 1957 season, she was hired to work for the team doing an assortment of secretarial and public relations tasks. In fact, she was the very first person hired by the team out west.

Along the way, she befriended some of the biggest stars in baseball, including three of her favorites, Gil Hodges, Sandy Koufax and Don Drysdale. Later, she wrote a book about her years with the Dodgers, "Lady in the Locker Room," that's filled with stories and anecdotes — some quite colorful. It won an Independent Publisher Book Award bronze medal in 2009.

Besides her life in baseball and Carmel, where she has lived for 25 years, Snyder was California's first director of tourism — the job that brought her here.

The spry octogenarian continues to stay busy — something she has always embraced. "I've never had time to grow old," she added.

Hotelling to speak on Peninsula's history

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

HISTORY BEAT columnist Neal Hotelling will be speaking on "The Tapestry of Monterey Peninsula History" at Trotter Gallery, 301 Forest Ave., in Pacific Grove, during First Friday festivities July 2. He will be at the gallery from 6 to 9 p.m. to meet with people and answer questions, with his talk beginning at 7.

Hotelling has been researching, writing about and presenting on Monterey area history for more than 30 years. His 1999 book, "Pebble Beach Golf Links: The Official History," received the ING Golf Book of the Year award. He has written hundreds of articles on many aspects of the area's history, among them the weekly Pine Cone column he has penned for the past two years. He said he never ceases to be amazed by the many connections and crossovers that form a rich tapestry in local history.



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Courthouse reopens in King City

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

AFTER BEING shuttered for eight years due to budget cuts made necessary by the Great Recession, the King City courthouse has reopened one day a month, with plans to expand in the future.

The courthouse was previously used for criminal cases. For now, it will only offer a self-help center Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., but will be also used for traffic court starting in mid-July.

"The expansion of SHC services to King City will provide greater access to South Monterey County residents who are acting as self-represented litigants and need assistance with family law and other civil case document preparation," said Norma Ramirez, public information liaison for the Monterey County Superior Court.

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Starting July 13, a limited, pre-set traffic arraignment calendar and traffic counter services will also be offered on the second Tuesday each month.

Ramirez said the Superior Court plans to expand services at the King City courthouse in the future, adding more service days each month and eventually hearing small claims, family law and probate cases remotely.

June 30 summit for 'Elder Justice'

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE FREE Monterey County Elder Justice Summit, set to be held virtually on June 30 from 9 a.m. to noon, will focus on "The Age of Change," with nationally recognized author, advocate and TED mainstage speaker Ashton Applewhite presenting "Still Kicking: Confronting Ageism and Ableism in the Pandemic's Wake."

The event will also include a forum on the Master Plan for Aging, the state's action plan to meet the needs of older adults and people with disabilities, and will honor community volunteers and advocates.

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Student athletes get free physicals

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MONTEREY SPINE & Joint will give free physical exams to student athletes at its newly renovated physical therapy facility at Ryan Ranch in Monterey, starting with Monterey Toro Bulls youth football league players Sunday morning.

The June 27 checkups will kick off a half-dozen scheduled sessions for student athletes this summer. The exams are for student athletes between 5 and 25 years old and are intended to identify any physical issues that might cause injury during the season. The exams are required by law and arranged through the youth leagues.

Monterey Spine & Joint is offering the free exams so kids can meet with doctors who are sports specialists and get a look at the new PT facility, as well as its new urgent care clinic, MSJ+Today.

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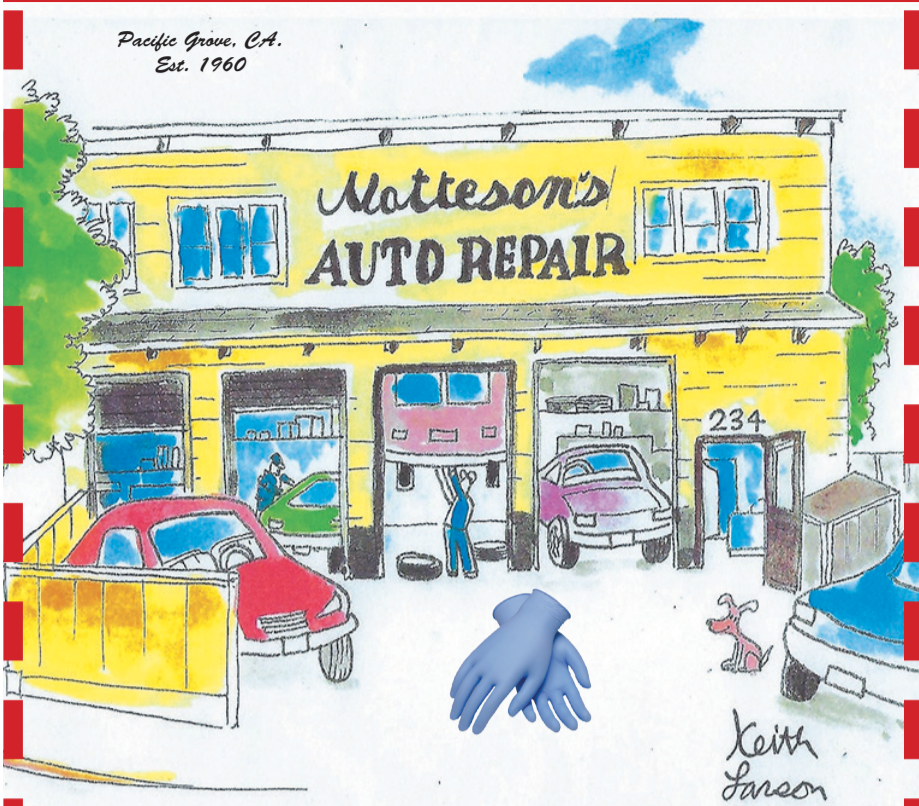
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VIRUS

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tions," she said. "As great as the vaccines are, they are not 100 percent," and the virus is still circulating in the community.

Walls emphasized Covid testing and likewise encouraged everyone who's eligible to get vaccinated.

"We do need to keep our foot on the gas with testing," he said. "And certainly, anyone who's experiencing symptoms should get a test."

Business questions

He also shared that his two kids got the shot and had only minimal side effects, "which actually bought them some extra TV time and ginger ale."

"If you have not yet become fully vaccinated or if you have family members who haven't yet and are eligible, you may be surprised how good it feels to know that you have this outstanding protection," he added.

With the state's reopening and the ever-changing rules for employers and employees where vaccination status, masks and other protections are concerned, the Community Foundation for Monterey County hosted a well-attended online presentation featuring Cal/OSHA and an HR firm that frequently works with the non-profit.

"There are lots of questions that businesses have, and rightly so," said Monterey County Vintners & Growers Association executive director Kim Stemler, who moderated the forum. "Are you able to verify the vaccination status of employees? What about masking? Who has to wear a mask, and who doesn't?"

The answers are, yes, employers can ask their workers to verify whether they've been vaccinated, and anyone who refuses to answer must follow the rules for unvaccinated people, including wearing a mask in most situations and conforming to other restrictions imposed only on those who have not gotten the shot. People who have been vaccinated do not have to wear a mask

most of the time — unless, for instance, they work in a hospital or health clinic.

Nick Gleiter, area manager for Cal/OSHA, and Melissa Irwin from TPO HR Specialists took turns describing employers' responsibilities and employees' rights, touching on privacy issues, how to handle an outbreak, what to do when a worker doesn't want to return to the workplace, how to enforce masking rules, what not to say to people, and other HR challenges brought about by the pandemic.

The 90-minute webinar and other information can be found at montereycountyvaccines.com, along with a list of every vaccine clinic, testing information, and instructional signs and posters that can be downloaded and printed for use at work.

"Testing is available, vaccines are available, and information is available," Stemler said.

On Thursday, masking requirements changed at most Monterey County government buildings, with fully vaccinated people no longer required to wear them.

If the building has employees at the door — such as the security screeners at the courthouses — visitors will be asked to attest they are vaccinated if they try to enter without wearing face coverings. Anyone who refuses to answer or is unvaccinated is required to put one on.

County office rules change

For facilities that are unmonitored, the county is relying on the honor system. "The public will self-attest their vaccination status by wearing or not wearing a mask," spokeswoman Maia Carroll explained.

Those attending one-on-one meetings with county officials or employees may be asked about vaccination status, too, and required to wear masks and/or sit behind plexiglass barriers.

That could mean "possible delays having services provided if alternate staff is needed," Carroll warned.

County employees are required to provide their vaccination status to HR and continue to self-attest daily regarding Covid-19 symptoms, she said. Those who are unvaccinated or refuse to answer must also wear masks.

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In nine decades, Gretchen Taylor has learned to express herself well

MUSICIAN GRETCHEN Taylor dresses in a boho-chic smock with black leggings, ankle boots, and jewelry she made from found organic objects. As the Monterey resident looks back on 90 years of life, she understands that everything she's ever done has been motivated by the pursuit of creative expression.

Born and raised on the outskirts of Burlington, Vt.,

Great Lives

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

Taylor grew up not with a plan, but with a vision. She was taught early to play the piano, yet, constantly seeking new challenges and opportunities for expression, she abandoned it and picked up the guitar. In eighth grade, Taylor took up the violin. A year later, she was accepted into the high school orchestra.

"When asked who I am or what I am or what I do," said Taylor, "I realize I have been many things — a wife, a mother, a teacher, an artist, a musician — but for most of my life, my answer has been, 'I am a violinist.'"

Taylor trained in music and fine art at Michigan's Interlochen Center for the Arts, at Humboldt State University's chamber music workshops, and at the renowned Tanglewood Music Center Fellowship Program in the Berkshire Hills of western Massachusetts, the summer home of the Boston Symphony Orchestra since 1937.

"While I was at Tanglewood, both Aaron Copland and Leonard Bernstein were in residence, conducting," Taylor said. "Bernstein was so great that everyone played their best under him. And Copland wasn't full of himself — he was full of what he did. We respected both men because



PHOTO/COURTESY GRETCHEN TAYLOR

At 90, violinist Gretchen Taylor has been conducted by Leonard Bernstein and Aaron Copland — and that's just part of the story.

they asked the orchestra what we thought."

Taylor settled in St. Helena, where she got married and began raising three daughters. For 10 years, she also played chamber music with the Napa and Stanford symphonies. She complemented her symphonic work as a professional folk singer and guitarist.

The art of making changes

In the late '60s, Taylor's life changed significantly when she became a divorcee and moved, "with three young daughters and a mangy dog," to what is still her home in Monterey.

"I continued performing my folk music in bars and restaurants on the Peninsula," she said, "where folks accused me of sounding too much like Joan Baez. One day, I was invited to the Village Corner Café in Carmel, to join friends who were having lunch with Baez. I was more attracted to her performances than her personality."

Taylor's dedication to teaching and performing only grew here. In 1974, she was chosen to pilot the elementary music program for the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District.

"My intent was to introduce and inspire students to relate to classical music, something kids considered stuffy, she said. 'I showed students how rhythm becomes the catalyst that connects everything — it comes from the rhythm of the body. You put a pretty melody on it, and it's even better.'"

When she wasn't teaching or playing music, Taylor invested time in designing and making jewelry and in fine art photography, both of which she exhibited locally.

After 10 years in Monterey as a working single mom, "by accident," Taylor met research psychologist Jack Taylor, who became her husband of 45 years until his death on June 2.

"I say 'accident' because we met, quite unexpectedly, through our mutual friend, Hilton Bialek. Eight months later, Jack and I got married. It's amazing he fell for me since he saw me as a 'clean hippy,' whereas this scientist was a total suit-and-tie man."

Making Music

For 30 years, Taylor played her violin on the Peninsula. She joined the Monterey Peninsula College Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of conductor David Dally, for whom she served as concertmaster (lead violinist) for


15 years.

"We played serious, hard music with a beautiful sound. I was not a gifted musician," she said. "I had a feeling for the violin, and I ended up with a very nice tone. I was no virtuoso and never intended to be. But I worked hard and invested myself fully in playing my best."

When not performing with the orchestra, Taylor played in string quartets for art openings, galas and other special events.


"On those occasions, we were not the feature. People were busy looking at art or each other. We played pop, folk and classical music. I feel as though I've had many faces in music."


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LeTOWT

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operation amounted to unfair business practices, since Le-Towt was making money while those following the rules could not.

The Tuck Box has since gotten its health permit back, Ric Encarnacion with Monterey County Environmental Health confirmed this week.

Jody LeTowt petitioned the court in April to dismiss its suit against him, arguing that he had nothing to do with the business practices.

Attorney Ashlee Gustafson reiterated that fact during a May 18 hearing on the case in front of Monterey County Superior Court Judge Robert O'Farrell.

"This matter is brought by the State of California and seeks an injunction, civil penalties, and equitable relief related to the Tuck Box, a restaurant business for which the defendant's only involvement is limited to being the landlord," she said.

Trial in January

Jeff LeTowt did not attend that hearing, though his attorney and the deputy district attorney discussed ways they might resolve the case, according to court documents.

Six days later, Hickok filed a request for dismissal "only as to defendant Zigmont Jody LeTowt III individually and as a trustee of the LeTowt Family Trust," with each side bearing its own legal costs.

His son and his restaurant are still named in the suit, though, and the case is scheduled to go to trial in January 2022.

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Darrell Leland Johnston

July 2, 1930 - May 25, 2021

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Darrell L. Johnston, retired Maestro and Founder of the San Jose Wind Symphony, Professor of Music and Department Chairman at San Jose City College, a longtime resident of San Jose, CA, passed peacefully at home in Monterey, CA with his beloved family at his side on May 25, 2021. He was 90.

Born in 1930 to native California parents in Sacramento, CA, he came from humble beginnings. He attributed his fulfillment and success in life to his parents, Avlin and George Leland Johnston, and his immigrant mother and father-in-law, Aniela and Stanley Slawek, who he adored. He joined the Sacramento Symphony while he was in the 9th grade. Years later, he noticed a beautiful violinist in the first violin section, Miss Helen Slawek, who he eventually married and lived happily together for 68 years.

Darrell, affectionately known as "DJ" to his students, attended Sacramento Community College and graduated from California State University at Sacramento with a degree in music in 1952. He earned his Master's degree in Music from New York's University of Rochester Eastman School of Music in 1953. He credited his appreciation for chamber music art form to his mentor and friend, Professor Fredric Fennell, who later invited him to audition for the newly formed Eastman Wind Ensemble. After completing his Masters' degree, Darrell was drafted into the US Army and served for two years from 1953 to 1955.



He began his music teaching career in Woodland, CA and was recruited by San Jose City College (SJCC) as Professor of Music and Director of Bands in an inspired teaching career from 1958-1993. He pursued additional graduate studies work at Stanford University's Department of Music during the early 1960s.

During his first year at SJCC in 1958, he founded the San Jose Symphonic Band, now known as the San Jose Wind Symphony, a renowned adult ensemble which competed and performed nationally and internationally. He conducted the Symphony for 44 years until he stepped down from the podium in 2004 as conductor emeritus. A tribute to his legacy, the San Jose Wind Symphony continues to thrive and perform today. At San Jose City College, he was most proud of the highly successful chamber music program he developed, with up to 100 students performing per week. During his career, Darrell was an active judge

and clinician with the World of Music Festivals band competitions and a clinician at chamber music festivals at California's Humboldt and Chico State Universities and the University of Oregon at Medford. His jazz ensemble performed for His Majesty Carl XVI Gustaf, King of Sweden at the Swedish consulate residence in San Francisco during his US visit in 1976 (as the King was known to be particularly fond of jazz).

Darrell attributed the greatest gift he received as Professor of Music and Maestro to be his rapport with hundreds of students and musical colleagues; many remained dear friends during his lifetime. His passion for education and music inspired two generations of musicians throughout the Bay Area and beyond.

Outside of music, Darrell was an accomplished hiker, snow skier, ping pong, and tennis player. He loved riding trail bikes and fishing at his forest cabin in the Lake Tahoe Sierra's. He was a proud Eagle Scout from Troop 1, Sacramento. He enjoyed using his hands to build fences, paint, and other projects at Helen's family home in the Sacramento Delta. He was proud of and treasured his orange, apricot, peach, plum, and persimmon trees. His family was his priority and never missed a baseball game, tennis match, ballet, or musical performance by his grandchildren.

He is survived by Helen, his beloved wife of 68 years, his two children Scott Johnston (Cindy), Annette Johnston Welton (Patrick), and his six grandchildren, Christopher Johnston (Chelsea), Alexander Welton (Alexa), Mikaela Welton, Holly Johnston, Alison Johnston, Brooke Johnston, and his sister Lurnell (Polster) Lee and her children.

Darrell proudly completed Stanford Cardiology's successful clinical trial for cardiac amyloidosis in 2019. A private family memorial service will be held in the future. Memorial donations may be directed in Darrell's honor to the San Jose Wind Symphony (SJWS.org), University of Rochester Eastman School of Music, or Stanford University Department of Cardiovascular Medicine c/o Dr. Ronald Witteles. For more information: cfcssacramento.org/obituaries



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Last December, Tuck Box owner Jeff LeTowt (center) was visited by Monterey County officials who cited him for violating shelter-in-place orders at his restaurant, and he was sued by the DA's office.



ANTHONY JOSEPH MYERS

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Tony will be fondly remembered by family and friends as a loving father, hardworking businessman, car enthusiast, and loyal friend. With the salty air and crashing waves, his memory lives on in his favorite place by the ocean.

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Peter R. Newman

Peter R. Newman, 89, passed away peacefully on June 18, 2021, at his home in Pebble Beach. He was a loving husband, proud father, and delighted grandfather. Theresa, his wife of 62 years, was by his side to the end. Peter was known for his strong, personal drive and passion for whatever he did. He was decisive and would accomplish any goal he set for himself. He was a good friend and mentor to many.

Peter was born on April 4, 1932, in Teplice, a Jewish enclave in Czechoslovakia. In 1938, the day before the borders were closed, he escaped the Nazi occupied country with his parents, Frank and Helen Newman. Almost all of his relatives who stayed behind were killed. Before boarding the SS President Harding on November 11, 1938, for America, he spent his last night in Europe in a bomb shelter with a gas mask.

Peter lived the American Dream. The family settled in Manhattan where Peter first attended school. When he was 10, they moved to Vineland, New Jersey. His family bought a chicken farm. Peter would collect eggs in the morning before school. Later, his family started a business that made and sold automobile seat covers. This is where Peter got his first exposure to making sales, a skill that would become a big part of his future.

In 1951, Peter graduated from the Augusta Military Academy in Fort Defiance, Virginia. He studied finance at University of Pennsylvania before volunteering to join the US Army. He was stationed in Maryland at the Aberdeen Proving Ground. Upon his honorable discharge, he walked into Reynolds & Co, an investment advisor, and asked, "How do I get in this business?" Peter was hired on the spot. This began his illustrious career. In 1959, he was hired by Bache & Co as a manager. In 1974 he moved his office to New York. He eventually added offices in London, Paris, and Tokyo and would commute weekly between the USA and his apartment in London. His clients included foreign governments, large banks, and insurance companies. Peter never changed jobs, staying with the Bache firm as it went through 17 name changes, ultimately retiring from Wells Fargo Advisors.

Peter's life was forever changed on September 6, 1956, when he met the love of his life. It was 8:30 a.m. when Peter and Theresa first saw each other at the post office. Peter asked the postmaster who is that young lady. He didn't know that she had already asked the postmaster "Who is that tall man?" The postmaster told Peter that she comes back each afternoon at 5 p.m. to drop off business mail. At 5 p.m., Peter was waiting for her. He brought along a borrowed dog to help seal the deal. They went on their first date three days later. After dinner and a movie, he asked her "Will you marry me?" to which she replied "I just met you!" Over the next several years of dating he would ask her this question regularly knowing one day she would say yes.

Peter first visited the Monterey Peninsula in the mid-'70s. He remembers saying "I want to bottle this air and take it home with me to New Jersey." In 1984, he decided to make the move. They found their forever home in Pebble Beach. Always sure of what he wants; he poked Theresa in the ribs and said "this is it" as they pulled into the driveway. When he made the move, he only brought over a handful of clients. He rebuilt his client base to over 300 and eventually had the most money under management on the west coast for Prudential. He was extremely proud to have his son Jeffrey and daughter-in-law Noelle join in the business.

Peter was very engaged in the local community. He served on 5 boards at one time, including the Carmel Bach Festival, Sunset Center, and Natividad Foundation, as well as being President of the Forest Theater Guild and the Carmel Music Society.

Peter eventually turned his attention to politics, first assisting with the Jeff Davi for Supervisor campaign. This was the beginning of his long tenure as the area's "go-to" Republican political leader. He served many years as the Chairman of the Monterey County Republican Party. His success at the MCRP led to him being elected to the California Republican Party Board of Directors as a Regional Vice Chair. Peter and Theresa graciously hosted many regional, state and national leaders at their home, including Senators Mitch McConnell, John McCain, and Mitt Romney, Governors Rudy Giuliani and Pete Wilson, and Speakers Newt Gingrich and John Boehner. He helped to elect a lot of good people during his tenure but was most proud of his friendship and mentoring of Lt. Governor Abel Maldonado.

Peter was twice a Delegate to the Republican Party National Convention and served on John McCain's Presidential campaign kitchen cabinet. Peter's last political achievement was as the Monterey Bay Regional Vice Chair of the Lincoln Club of Northern California. As Chairman of the Membership Committee, he helped to double the size of the organization. He dedicated himself to the club until his resignation just two weeks prior to his passing. On the Monday before his passing, the MCRP renamed their headquarters the Peter Newman Center for Liberty and Freedom in his honor.

Peter and Theresa raised their family in New Jersey and California. Peter would beam a broad smile as he talked about his children and grandchildren and the fond memories of their times together. He is survived by his wife Theresa, daughter Jennifer Errico (Stephen) of Ridgewood, New Jersey, and sons Kenneth (Candace) of Inman, South Carolina, and Jeffrey (Noelle) of Carmel, and his grandchildren, Tucker Schoos, Caroline, Robert, Jack, and Emily Errico, and Alyssa and Alex Newman. Peter and Theresa appreciated the assistance of their caretaker Litia Mafi. The family is thankful for her kindness and care.

On Peter's 36th birthday, his father wrote him a short letter. He reminded Peter of the death and destruction his family endured at the hands of the Nazis. It said, in part:

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FIRE

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jara Zen Center.

Shortly after the fire broke out, an all-out aerial attack was launched as planes and helicopters dropped retardant on it. Hot shots were flown into hard-to-access areas to build lines and contain the fire.

“There was a heavy air attack early on,” Madsen explained. “We really wanted to keep it ‘in the box,’ so to say.”

‘We got lucky’

On the ground, firefighters worked to renew old fire breaks. “There are a lot of historic fuel breaks that were quickly opened up,” Madsen reported.

For now, there are about 500 firefighters and personnel

working on the fire. Agencies involved include Cal Fire, the California Highway Patrol, Big Sur Fire, the Cachagua Fire Protection District, the Bureau of Land Management, Caltrans and the Monterey County Office of Emergency Services.

Officials say the blaze is 19 percent contained. Fortunately, the area immediately threatened is remote.

“We got lucky,” Monterey County Sheriff’s spokesman John Thornburg said. “The fire is in an area that doesn’t have a lot of residents. It’s a lot of national forest land. About 30 people have been affected by the mandatory evacuation, about half of which evacuated — people like to stay behind and defend their castle.”

An evacuation order has been issued by the county for the Tassajara Zen Center and the Arroyo Seco area, and an evacuation center has been opened at the Carmel Valley Library.

The weather is expected to aid firefighters for a couple days. “A low-pressure system off the coast will continue to

provide favorable weather conditions over the fire area for another day or so,” the forest service reported.

But by Friday, temperatures are expected to rise, so firefighters will be keeping a close eye on hot spots, if they emerge.

“A developing high-pressure system off the Pacific Northwest coast will bring warmer and dryer conditions at the end of the week and into the weekend,” the federal agency added.

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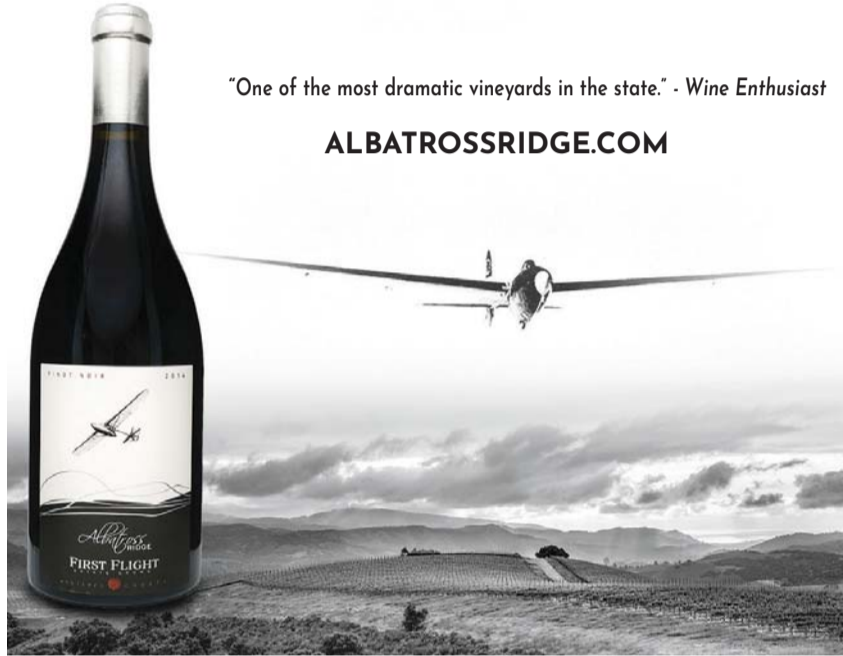
Madsen, meanwhile, urged visitors to cast aside any notions about enjoying a campfire in the Big Sur backcountry. “We’re in high fire restrictions, so no campfires of any kind are allowed in the national forest except in developed campgrounds,” he added.

On Thursday, forest service officials announced a closure order that prohibits people from entering the area immediately threatened by the fire. Those who violate the order risk a fine of \$5,000 and/or six months in jail.

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PLAN

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Emergency Services activated an alertmontereycounty.org test while at the Forest Theater, shortly before the siren sounded.

“Tuesday June 22nd at approx. 6:30 p.m., the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea is testing their community early warning siren at Carmel Fire Station,” the message read, minutes before the siren wailed.

Lots of planning

Tomasi, Monterey Fire Chief Gaudenz Panholzer and public works director Bob Harary hosted the meeting to talk about the city’s emergency plan — described in a 400-plus-page document posted on its website — along with hazards and how to mitigate them. The plan, as well as established evacuation routes and a list of items to include in a basic emergency preparedness kit, can be found at ci.carmel.ca.us/post/emergency-preparedness.

While earthquakes are always a possibility and storms have ravaged the city from time to time, wildfires are on everyone’s minds, considering that residents of the valley, Salinas and down the coast are still recovering from last year’s devastating blazes, and this year’s fire season is al-

ready off to a terrible start, thanks to widespread drought.

“Do you have a plan? Do you know what’s important to you?” asked Tomasi, who had to evacuate from his home with his wife and kids twice during the last year due to the River Fire and the storms that followed. “We were videoing everything in our house as we were evacuating. We loaded everything that’s important to us into the van, and it was only half full — including the kids.”

He advised residents to document what they have, in case they ever lose it. “Keep good documentation, because you might need it,” he said. “Hopefully, you won’t ever need it.”

“We definitely are at risk here,” Panholzer told those gathered at the Forest Theater and others watching on Zoom. “California experienced its worst fire season in recorded history last summer, and this year is not shaping up to be any better.”

Grasses and trees are dried out two months earlier than usual due to lack of rain, and the state has recorded more fires to date than during the same period last year, he said.

‘Healthy forest’

While wind, which the city has had more than its usual share of lately, can drive fires, the humidity produced by the Pacific Ocean helps reduce overall risk here, according to Panholzer.

Nonetheless, “we need to maintain a healthy forest,” he

said, with green vegetation, not dead and dying trees and shrubs.

“Wildfire likes to burn uphill and up canyons,” such as Pescadero Canyon and Mission Trail park, he noted. “Those are natural places where a fire will burn faster, so we have to make sure we maintain those.”

Panholzer praised the many volunteers who have helped eradicate non-native invasive plants and have cleared hillsides in Mission Trail park.

He also explained that firefighters undergo annual training to ensure crews are up on their skills fighting wildfires, and the department carefully maintains and upgrades equipment as necessary. MFD purchased a new wildfire engine this year.

What’s expected of you

The department also provides advice on pruning and clearing around homes to reduce their risk of being destroyed in a wildfire, with particular emphasis on the areas closest to structures. Fire prevention specialists conduct defensible space inspections every summer, examining parcels for leaves and needles on roofs and in gutters, branches overhanging houses, overgrown grass and landscaping, and other conditions that put people and property at risk.

See MORE PLAN next page

PUBLIC NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20211429
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **PRESS THE BUTTON PRODUCTIONS, 316 Van Buren St. #1, Monterey, CA 93940.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): JANE JOY PRESS, 316 Van Buren St. #1, 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 Jan. 1, 2018.
S/Jane Joy Press
Date: June 14, 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 that 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 June 14, 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: June 18, 25; July 2, 9, 2021. (PC619)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20211400
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **LA COCINA DE MARQUEZ, 484 DORSET WAY, SALINAS, CA 93906.**
County of MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): ANGELICA HOZANNA MARQUEZ, 484 DORSET WAY, SALINAS, CA 93906
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable S/ ANGELICA HOZANNA MARQUEZ
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 06/08/2021
6/25, 7/2, 7/9, 7/16/21
CNS-3483111#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: June 25; July 2, 9, 16, 2021. (PC622)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARY ANN FLORENCE FINOCCHI
Case Number 21PR000249
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of **MARY ANN FLORENCE FINOCCHI** aka **MARY ANN FINOCCHI**.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ALFREDA COLLEEN SULLIVAN in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.
The Petition for Probate requests that **ALFREDA COLLEEN SULLIVAN** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests the decedent’s will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: Sept. 1, 2021
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Dept.: 13
Address: Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20211389
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **MOMENTUM FITNESS STUDIO PILATES, 3855 Via Nona Marie, Suite 203D, Carmel, CA 93923.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): SUSAN ANAY DIXON, 50 Miramonte Road, 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 Aug. 5, 1996.
S/Susan Dixon
Date: June 4, 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 that 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 June 7, 2021.
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Publication dates: June 18, 25; July 2, 9, 2021. (PC620)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20211435
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **THE PURSUIT OF HAPPY, 24524 Castro Lane, Carmel, CA 93923.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): SIMONE CLEARLY, 24524 Castro Lane, Carmel, CA 93923.
This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 14, 2021.
S/Simone Clearly
Date: June 15, 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 that 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 June 14, 2021.
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Publication dates: June 25; July 2, 9, 16, 2021. (PC629)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20211434
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **ZCON BUILDERS, 780 West Grand Ave., Oakland, CA 94612.**
County of Principal Place of Business: Alameda.
Name of Corporation of as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: ZAKSKORN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, 780 West Grand Ave., Oakland, CA 94612.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA.
This business is conducted by a corporation.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 30, 1996.
S/ Dani Tucker, Secretary
Date: June 8, 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 that 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 June 15, 2021.
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Publication dates: June 25; July 2, 9, 16, 2021. (PC628)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20211438
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **MASSEY INDUSTRIES & CONSULTING, 25941 Deer Run Lane, Salinas, CA 93908.**
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.
Registered Owner(s): ANDREA LYNNE MASSEY, 25941 Deer Run Lane, Salinas, CA 93908.
TRAVIS C. MASSEY, 25941 Deer Run Lane, Salinas, CA 93908.
This business is conducted by a married couple.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 15, 2021.
S/Andrea Massey
Date: June 15, 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 that 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 June 15, 2021.
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Publication dates: June 25; July 2, 9, 16, 2021. (PC629)

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County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.
Registered Owner(s): ANDREA LYNNE MASSEY, 25941 Deer Run Lane, Salinas, CA 93908.
TRAVIS C. MASSEY, 25941 Deer Run Lane, Salinas, CA 93908.
This business is conducted by a married couple.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 15, 2021.
S/Andrea Massey
Date: June 15, 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 that 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 June 15, 2021.
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Publication dates: June 25; July 2, 9, 16, 2021. (PC629)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20211434
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **ZCON BUILDERS, 780 West Grand Ave., Oakland, CA 94612.**
County of Principal Place of Business: Alameda.
Name of Corporation of as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: ZAKSKORN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, 780 West Grand Ave., Oakland, CA 94612.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA.
This business is conducted by a corporation.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 30, 1996.
S/ Dani Tucker, Secretary
Date: June 8, 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 that 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 June 15, 2021.
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Publication dates: June 25; July 2, 9, 16, 2021. (PC629)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20211374
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **BIG SUR FLOR, 38493 Palo Colorado Road, Carmel, CA 93923.**
Mailing address: P.O. Box 222967, Carmel CA 93922.
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.
Name of Corporation of as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: GROW YOUR LULU, LLC, 38493 Palo Colorado Road, Carmel, CA 93923.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
S/ Benjamin R. Eichorn, Member
Date: May 31, 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 that 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 June 3, 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: June 25; July 2, 9, 16, 2021. (PC630)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20211416
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **VALHALLA, 1130 Fremont Blvd., Suite 105, Seaside, CA 93955.**
Mailing address: 1130 Fremont Blvd, Suite 105 PMB 120, Seaside, CA 93955.
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.
Registered Owner(s): KENNETH JUSTIN MINICK, 1233 Kenneth St., Seaside, CA 93955.
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 10, 2021.
S/Kenneth Justin Minick
Date: June 10, 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 that 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 June 10, 2021.
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Publication dates: June 25; July 2, 9, 16, 2021. (PC631)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20211519
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CHERYL’S THRIFTY TREASURES, 8043 San Miguel Canyon Rd., Prunedale, CA 93907.**
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.
Registered Owner(s): CHERYL ELAINE VIVIAN, 1683 San Miguel Canyon Rd., Royal Oaks, CA 95076.
This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 5, 2019.
S/Cheryl Elaine Vivian
Date: June 23, 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 that 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).*
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Publication dates: June 25; July 2, 9, 16, 2021. (PC633)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE
(Division 6 of the Commercial Code)
Escrow No. T-018498-JC
(1) Notice is hereby given to creditors of the within named Seller(s) that a bulk sale is about to be made on personal property hereinafter described.
(2) The name and business addresses of the seller are: **BLUE OCEAN LLC, 2116 FREMONT STREET, MONTEREY, CA 93940-5213**
(3) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is: **2166 FREMONT STREET, MONTEREY, CA 93940**
(4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are: **STRL GIFTS LLC, 28725 SHADOW VALLEY LANE, SANTA CLARITA, CA 91390**
(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: **FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, TRADENAME GOODWILL, LEASE, HOUSEHOLD IMPROVEMENT, COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE, TELEPHONE NUMBER AND ALL OTHER BUSINESS ASSETS of that certain business located at: 2116 FREMONT STREET, MONTEREY, CA 93940**
(6) The business name used by the seller(s) at said location is: **COOL BOOK STORE (AKA FREMONT ADULT BOOKSTORE & NU-ART THEATRE)**
(7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is: **JULY 14, 2021**, at the office of **TOWER ESCROW INC., 23044 CRENSHAW BLVD, TORRANCE, CA 90505**, Escrow No. **T-018498-JC**, Escrow Officer: **JOY CHUNG**
(8) Claims may be filed with Same as “7” above.
(9) The last date for filing claims is: **JULY 13, 2021**
(10) This Bulk Sale is subject to Section 6106.2 of the Uniform Commercial Code.
(11) As listed by the Seller, all other business names and addresses used by the Seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer are: **NONE**
Dated: **JUNE 21, 2021**
TRANSFERRERS: **STRL GIFTS LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ORD-360981 CARMEL PINE CONE 6/25/21**
Publication dates: **June 25, 2021. (PC634)**

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File No. 20211434
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
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County of Principal Place of Business: Alameda.
Name of Corporation of as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: ZAKSKORN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, 780 West Grand Ave., Oakland, CA 94612.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA.
This business is conducted by a corporation.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 30, 1996.
S/ Dani Tucker, Secretary
Date: June 8, 2021
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
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County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.
Registered Owner(s): ANDREA LYNNE MASSEY, 25941 Deer Run Lane, Salinas, CA 93908.
TRAVIS C. MASSEY, 25941 Deer Run Lane, Salinas, CA 93908.
This business is conducted by a married couple.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 15, 2021.
S/Andrea Massey
Date: June 15, 2021
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20211416
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
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S/Kenneth Justin Minick
Date: June 10, 2021
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Publication dates: June 25; July 2, 9, 16, 2021. (PC631)

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(Division 6 of the Commercial Code)
Escrow No. T-018498-JC
(1) Notice is hereby given to creditors of the within named Seller(s) that a bulk sale is about to be made on personal property hereinafter described.
(2) The name and business addresses of the seller are: **BLUE OCEAN LLC, 2116 FREMONT STREET, MONTEREY, CA 93940-5213**
(3) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is: **2166 FREMONT STREET, MONTEREY, CA 93940**
(4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are: **STRL GIFTS LLC, 28725 SHADOW VALLEY LANE, SANTA CLARITA, CA 91390**
(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: **FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, TRADENAME GOODWILL, LEASE, HOUSEHOLD IMPROVEMENT, COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE, TELEPHONE NUMBER AND ALL OTHER BUSINESS ASSETS of that certain business located at: 2116 FREMONT STREET, MONTEREY, CA 93940**
(6) The business name used by the seller(s) at said location is: **COOL BOOK STORE (AKA FREMONT ADULT BOOKSTORE & NU-ART THEATRE)**
(7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is: **JULY 14, 2021**, at the office of **TOWER ESCROW INC., 23044 CRENSHAW BLVD, TORRANCE, CA 90505**, Escrow No. **T-018498-JC**, Escrow Officer: **JOY CHUNG**
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Dated: **JUNE 21, 2021**
TRANSFERRERS: **STRL GIFTS LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ORD-360981 CARMEL PINE CONE 6/25/21**
Publication dates: **June 25, 2021. (PC634)**

**CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA
BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWALS
AUGUST 2, 2021 DUE DATE**

The City of Carmel-by-the-Sea business license renewal tax and fees are due to the City by August 2, 2021.

- The renewal tax is \$1.00 per \$1,000 of GROSS revenues for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.
- The license renewal fee is \$19.00.
- Renewals are due no later than August 2, 2021. Renewals postmarked after August 2, 2021 will incur a penalty.
- Please review your contact information and make any changes on the form.
- Please remember to return the Business License Worksheet with your payment.
- Please remember to sign the worksheet.

If you have any questions or did not receive your renewal notice, please contact City Hall at 831-620-2000 or business-licenses@ci.carmel.ca.us

Publication dates: June 25 & July 23, 2021 (PC632)

LEGALS DEADLINE:
Tuesday 4:30 pm

MORE PLAN

From previous page

“We want you to create and maintain a defensible space,” Panholzer said. “The first 5 feet away from your home are the most critical, and you need to get rid of most of the vegetation around that area. You should have virtually nothing but hardscape.”

‘Have a plan’

Five to 30 feet from the residence, trees should be pruned up to 6 feet from the ground, and for larger properties, dried grass and other flammable fuels should be removed beyond that point. Inspections began June 1.

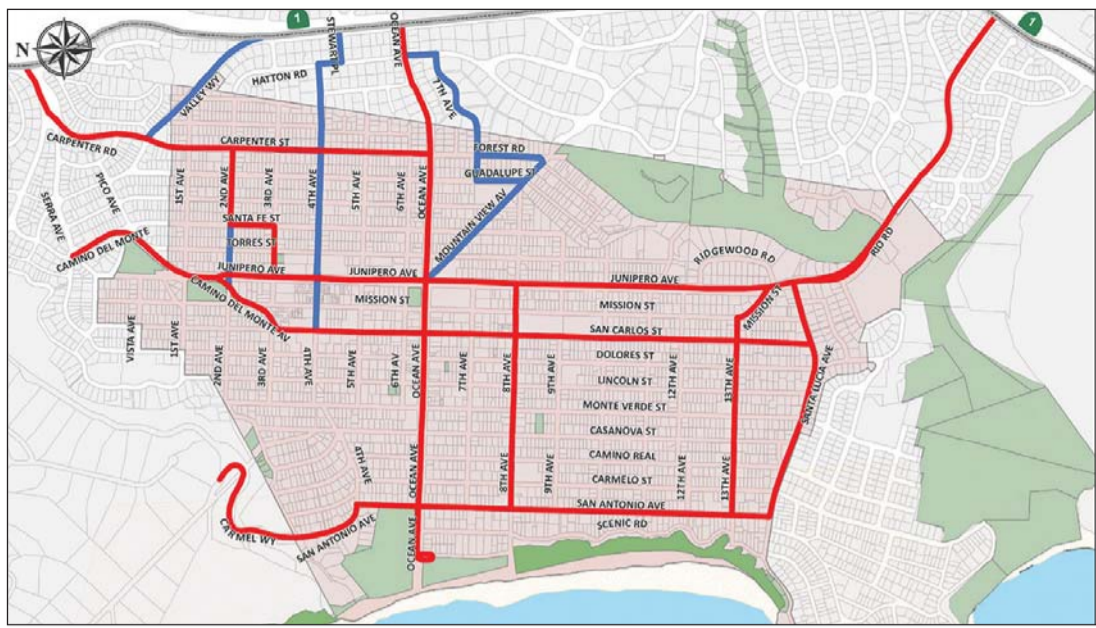
MFD’s fire prevention bureau provides advice on how to plan and

prepare for emergencies and also has a map showing the “defensible space” status of every property in the agency’s large coverage area.

Panholzer also advised people to have a “go bag” with critical items like important papers and medications, and to make an evacuation plan that includes checking in with someone who lives out of the area.

“If your home is evacuated, you will not be able to go back in to get something or someone,” he said. “Have a plan.”

Go to monterey.org/fire/Fire-Prevention-Bureau to read up on prevention and planning, and scroll down to the “Fire Defensible Space Map” link on the left. There you can see which homes and businesses have passed inspections and which haven’t. something or someone,” he said.



The City of Carmel created this map to show evacuation routes people should take to get out of town during a disaster. It and other useful information can be found at ci.carmel.ca.us.

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Faster, higher, stronger — season finales bring out athletes' best

STEVENSON JUNIOR Evan Johnson won the boys 100-meter and 200-meter dashes, and Carmel senior Sarah Graessley captured the girls pole vault Saturday to highlight an outstanding performance by local athletes at the Central Coast Conference Track and Field Championships, which took place at Soquel High.

Johnson ran the 100 meters in 10.85 seconds, 0.2 faster than his nearest pursuer, Noah Short of King's Academy, who finished in 11.05. He followed up with a 22.10 clocking in the 200, 0.24 quicker than the second-place time turned in by Valley Christian's Jakson Berman, who was clocked at 22.34.

Johnson became Stevenson's school record-holder in the 100 this spring, surpassing a time set 40 years ago by Wiley Watson.

Graessley and King's Academy senior Joanna Yu both cleared the bar at 12 feet in the pole vault, but Graessley was crowned CCS champion on the basis of fewer misses in the competition.

Carmel teammate Lauren Pritchard placed third in the high jump, clearing 5-4, the same height as second-place Maia Garcia of Pinewood, who had fewer misses. Elizabeth Churchill of Aptos won the high event at 5-6. Isabella Daste, another Carmel senior, cleared 5-2 for a seventh-place finish.

Those three girls combined to score 17.5 points, giving Carmel a 14th-place finish out of 47 schools in the team standings.

Santa Catalina sophomore Juliette Kosmont was the second-place finisher in the girls 100, clocking 12.66 seconds in an event won by Kaley Peterson of St. Francis. Kosmont also placed ninth in the long jump.

Stevenson's boys also got a sixth-place finish by junior John Puka in the 800-meter run (1:57.02), giving the Pirates 23 team points and a sixth-place finish among 44 schools.

The top performance by a Carmel boy came from Garren Daniels, whose leap of 20-6 1/2 was fourth-best in the long jump.

Baseball

The Stevenson Pirates were one out away from winning the school's first Central Coast Section baseball crown on

Saturday, holding a nine-run lead with two outs in final inning of the Division VI championship game, when the roof caved in on an otherwise memorable season.

Trailing 14-5 in the top of the seventh, Harker erupted for 11 — all with two outs — a stretch during which 12 straight batters reached base in a 16-15 victory over the Pirates at Pebble Beach.

Stevenson bounced back to score a run in the bottom of the inning and had the bases loaded when Harker pitcher Ian Williamson got the final out with a strikeout.

The loss came despite an offensive fireworks show from the Pirates, whose 18-hit attack included a double, a home run and four RBI from Josh Peyton, a homer and three RBI from Skye Franklin, four hits from Nelsen Young, and two hits apiece from Trent Toole, Sean Cornell, Alex Glasscock and Jayden Frantz.

After Harker opened Saturday's game with two runs in the top of the first, Stevenson answered with four in the bottom of the inning and added a run in the second for a 5-2 lead.

The visiting Eagles tallied three in the third to tie the game, but Stevenson scored twice in the bottom of the inning for a 7-5 edge, added two more in the fourth, one in the fifth and four in the sixth to build the 14-5 cushion they

took into the final frame.

Harker's 13-hit attack was led by Mark Hu, who went 4 for 5, scored four runs and drove in four. The Eagles finished the year with a 20-6 record.

Stevenson's 11-8 record included regular-season victories over Carmel, Palma, Monterey and Pacific Grove, and playoff victories over Design Tech and Saint Thomas More.

Carmel High, seeded No. 3 in the Division III bracket, suffered a first-round loss to sixth-seeded Burlingame, 7-5 and finished its season with a 19-8 record. Burlingame went on to win the CCS title.

Swimming

Stevenson senior Patrick Powers, who helped the Pirates to an unbeaten dual-meet season, placed second at CCS in the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 21.29 seconds, finishing behind only Kevin Sichak of Bellarmine College Prep, who touched the wall in 20.51.

He also was the third-place finisher in the 100 freestyle (46.28), trailing Sichak (45.43) and Valley Christian's Daniel Weng (46.28), and teamed with Will Weber, Dale Jasper and Jin Adrian to give the Pirates an eighth-place finish in the 400 freestyle relay.

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Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR



PHOTOS/(ABOVE) FRED WATSON, (RIGHT) BILL GRAESSLEY SNAP

Carmel's Sarah Graessley (right) won the CCS crown in the girls pole vault June 19 at Soquel High. Evan Johnson of Stevenson (above) took the CCS title in the 100- and 200-meter races.



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Meals on Wheels Community Center opens

■ Formerly known as Sally Griffin Center

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

BESIDES DELIVERING meals to people's homes, Meals on Wheels of the Monterey Peninsula offered group dining Monday through Friday for more than 35 years in Pacific Grove, in what was formerly called the Sally Griffin Center. Then came Covid. Meals continued to be delivered, but in-house dining became a pandemic casualty.

The facility, which reopened for classes and activities on June 21, has been renamed the Meals On Wheels Community Center. It has new flooring, updated restrooms and furniture and a fresh coat of paint, thanks to the generosity of private donors.

Jacob Shafer, the center's director of development, said that founder Sally Griffin will continue to be honored, with a prominent portrait in the building and the monthly "Griffin Gazette" sent to members, but the facility's name change was designed to reduce confusion about the center's identity — it's home to Meals on Wheels and myriad other community activities.

Weekday group dining resumes June 24. Masks will be required when guests are inside, and the center says its healthy and safety protocols "go above and beyond current requirements" from public health agencies.

Go to mowmp.org for more information.

NOAA

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writer Steve Hauk, was happy to see it receive support from our top local elected official. He said the building's location, so close to a shoreline, is ideal for such an endeavor.

"The letter by Congressman Panetta is important — it prioritizes the ocean and environment over commercial development and supports our mission of creating a center of ocean art, science, technology, education and more," Hauk told The Pine Cone. "With global warming, plastics in the ocean and all the threats to our planet, this is a pivotal time to focus on marine awareness and preservation of the environment, and Mr. Panetta sees that."

RIVER

From page 6A

tack at the hospital during the night and didn't survive.

"We don't know if he got swept in and had a heart attack or if he had a heart attack and then drowned," Routh said, though he speculated it was the latter. "We ended up getting a pulse back, so that was good, but he ended up passing away."

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MENTORED MANY.
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HELPING OTHERS ACHIEVE THEIR GOALS.
HE WILL BE MISSED

Editorial

A week of good news

REMEMBER BACK on March 30, when the director of the CDC, Rochelle Walensky, warned of “impending doom” from the coronavirus?

“We have so much to look forward to. So much promise and potential of where we are and so much reason for hope. But right now, I’m scared,” she said during a White House coronavirus briefing. And what was making her so worried?

“Coronavirus cases, hospitalizations and deaths are all rising,” she said. And she had the media on her side.

“Public health officials have warned the nation risks a new surge in coronavirus infections, attributed to increased travel, a rolling back of restrictions and the new variants that have been detected in the U.S.,” CBS News reported the same day Walensky spoke.

We don’t blame her and CBS for being wrong, because if a new surge was going to come, March was a time when it was likely to emerge. Vaccinations were few and far between, and cases had already fallen so much from their mid-winter highs, anybody who’s studied a bell curve or two would have recognized the possibility they were about to start climbing.

Fortunately, they didn’t, and even with all the reopening that’s gone on since March, they still haven’t. In fact, new cases of coronavirus have continued to decline. Here in Monterey County, there were 108 cases per day per 100,000 residents in early January, but just 3.7 at the end of March. Today, according to the California Department of Public Health, the number is less than 1. And as we report on this week’s front page, today there’s just one patient in a Monterey County hospital who is infected with the coronavirus. In January, there were hundreds.

What was the magic formula? The answer, of course, is the vaccines. A few weeks ago, we urged our readers to hug a hospital for the tremendous work the county’s four hospitals did in coping with the coronavirus epidemic here, and then helping curtail it. But don’t forget to hug Big Pharma. For all the villainy companies like Pfizer and Moderna are routinely accused of, they’re also the reason Monterey County, California and the United States have so little coronavirus today.

Meanwhile, people who live near Tassajara Road or Arroyo Seco must have felt a sense of immediate doom when a wildfire broke out in Los Padres National Forest at the end of last week, and considering what happened in the county last summer — tens of thousands of acres burned and hundreds of homes destroyed — it’s easy to see why. And if the weather had been less favorable over the weekend, this most recent fire could have reached the Big Sur valley or even Carmel Valley.

But thanks to higher humidity and cooperative winds, the fire pretty much stayed put in the canyon where it began. And even more important than the weather was the furious aerial assault the United States Forest Service and Cal Fire mounted on Friday, Saturday and Sunday to keep the fire from spreading. Not to mention the hundreds of firefighters who, working in hot weather and ridiculously steep terrain, got ahead of the fire to create lines to keep it where it was.

So if you don’t have the virus and your home didn’t burn down, it’s time to hug not only the hospitals and Big Pharma, but the nearest firefighter, too.

BEST of BATES



“Just keep backing up until you hear glass.”

Letters to the Editor

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

The Pine Cone only accepts letters to the editor by email. Please submit your letters to mail@carmelpinecone.com

‘No excellence’

Dear Editor,

In my opinion, the granting of bonuses to public employees by public employees is corruption. The Carmel school board forgets that the money it spends is not theirs. It is taxpayer/business sector money from people who actually generate revenue and taxes.

When the public sector gives money to others in the public sector, this, to my mind, is as corrupt as the tenure system. It is simply job protection for the mediocre.

As a businessman for over 60 years, I look at the public sector as a warehouse for people who cannot or will not compete in the private sector. We warehouse them instead of just sending them a check. It seems to simply be a “social program.”

It should be said: In my years of hir-

ing, applicants from the California public school system were always deficient in basic skills ... no “excellence.”

Gordon Shumway,
Carmel

Congressman’s scorecard

Dear Editor,

Jimmy Panetta’s most recent electronic newsletter quantified what work he has done in the first 100 days of the 117th Congress. Often, we have a vague feeling that our electeds are doing a good job or a not so good a job but lack details to point to. Hard to follow sometimes. It was helpful for me to see the running totals.

Panetta was able to attend 131 events and meetings on the Central Coast, secured \$508,767,263 for our area, held five town-halls, introduced 11 bills, cosponsored 160 bills, over 100 votes, 41 bills passed by the House, passed two bills introduced by Panetta, 14 bills cosponsored by Panetta passed in the House and one bill signed into law introduced by Panetta.

Probably Panetta has received tens of thousands of emails and phone calls and the like. Panetta also was a principal author of a letter Congress wrote to President Biden urging Biden to “end the sole authority you have to launch a nuclear attack and to install additional checks and balances into the system.” I think we saw the need for this kind of safeguard in case we again have a lunatic president. Thank you, Jimmy.

Gary Karnes,
Pacific Grove

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Professional historians refuse to settle for half-baked legends

BUSINESSES COME and go, especially in a small town. But a few find an important niche and survive. The longest-lasting retail shop in Carmel, the Carmel Bakery, is well into its second century. It is time we document its early history — much of which has been misreported over the years.

Current owner Rich Pepe told me, “I bought Carmel Bakery from the guys who owned Monterey Baking Company, who

tion papers, he gave his name as Seraphin Schweninger. The “F” was for Frederick, but he usually went by “Fritz” or “F.S.” He settled in San Jose and was soon hired as a baker at the new and luxurious Hotel Vendome which opened in February 1889. At the beginning of 1892, he married Helen Harmon. They lived on Fourth Street in San Jose, where sons Ernest and George were born in September 1892 and February 1894.

We know that he was at the Vendome at the beginning of 1906 and moved the family to the Peninsula before June, when Ernest was listed among the eighth-grade graduates in Monte-

rey.

The likely catalyst for the move was the April 1906 San Francisco earthquake, which badly damaged the Hotel Vendome. Twenty or more people were killed in the collapse, and the hotel was closed for several months.

Tent barber

All indications are that Schweninger established the Carmel Bakery immediately, at a time when there was little else in town. Writer Jimmy Hopper, who also came to Carmel in 1906, later recalled that when he arrived, “There was a little town with one butcher shop which opened up twice a week. The Schweningers had a bakery. There was Louis Slevin with his notion store, and the post office was there outside the porch of Slevin’s. There was a barber in a tent.”

Forgotten by Hopper, perhaps because it closed soon after he arrived, was Thomas Burnight’s Candy Store and Bakery. Burnight, who also managed the Carmel bath house, was president of the Manzanita Club until May 1907, when he resigned due to “force of business.” I suspect that translates to Schweninger taking too much of his business.

Schweninger’s Carmel Bakery was successful, and by 1915, he had acquired the

See **HISTORY** next page

History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

had bought it from Hector de Smet. Hector had promised to sell it to me if his daughter didn’t want it, as Hector was about to retire, but somehow Hector sold it to Monterey Baking Company and they sold it to me a year or two later.”

That’s a nice summary of recent history, but I was concerned with its origin. Until I began comparing notes with Pepe, he believed he was only the fourth or fifth owner of a business that dated to 1899. We were in agreement on the founder’s identity, but the spelling of his name, the date of origination and the number of prior owners were in question.

Catalyst

After months of digging, and sorting out various accurate and inaccurate sources, it is now clear that Fritz Schweninger started the bakery in 1906. He built it on the south side of Ocean Avenue halfway between Dolores and Lincoln. More than a century later, it is still thriving in that same location.

The source of the errant 1899 date was the historic report prepared in 2002 for the city which states, “It is one of two [similar buildings] on the south side of Ocean that date between 1899 and 1910.” The report references a 1910 Sanborn fire insurance map that shows the building was there by 1910. Why it uses 1899 as the earliest possible date, we’ll never know.

Surprisingly, the report also confused Fritz with his eldest son, Ernest, stating the bakery “was established by Ernest ‘Fritz’ Schweninger, who also was sales manager of the Carmel Land Company.”

Ernest was only 13 when the family moved to Carmel and started the bakery. It was the son, Ernest, not his father, Fritz, who became a partner and sales manager for Carmel Land Co. in the 1920s.

Schweninger was born in Germany and immigrated to San Francisco in 1886 at the age of 19. On his immigra-



PHOTO/PAT HATHAWAY COLLECTION

This 1916 photo of the south side of Ocean between Dolores and Lincoln shows (l-r) Louis Slevin’s notions shop and Fritz Schweninger’s Carmel Bakery and Carmel Grocery. While storefronts have changed, Carmel Bakery remains very similar to its original look.

FOG GETS IN HER EYES, SAND GETS IN HER PALETTE — AND SHE’S HAPPY

OUDDOOR PAINTERS tend to have a turbulent relationship with Mother Nature, who likes to display an infamously sardonic sense of humor with wind, fog, bugs, temperature and rapidly changing light. All can be nuisances to an artist who is trying to complete a painting, start to finish, in about two hours.

“It’s the sand blowing into my palette that’s annoying. The rest, I don’t mind all that much,” said Peggy Hutton, a plein air

Lane) in Carmel Valley Village.

Most of her work is in watercolors, a medium that presents its own unique set of challenges, particularly for a plein air painter.

‘You have to forgive yourself’

“An oil painter can go back into the studio and fix a painting if they’ve made a mistake,” she said. “With watercolor, you usually just have to forgive yourself, get rid of it, and start another one. You have to get it right the first time.”

Hutton grew up in Paso Robles, galloping free range over 80 acres of farmland as a child. A dedicated and en-

Carmel’s Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

thusiastic high school teacher ignited her interest in art, but she had no blueprint for the future when she graduated. “I was fairly clueless, really, but I knew I wanted to go to a university. If that was your plan, you had to get out of Paso Robles, which only had 8,000 people and was all agricultural at the time,” said Hutton, who went to a summer orientation at the University of Hawaii, where she met other graduating seniors from all over the country.

Plein-air painter in paradise

Colors are truer, shadows are deeper, light is more luminous — blessings that come with being a plein air painter in paradise.

“It’s easy to understand why there are so many artists here,” she said. “Sometimes that part can be competitive, but I like that. I think it elevates everybody, and I think there’s room for everyone.”

Hutton’s body of work ranges from landscapes and seascapes, to wildlife and still life, figures and architecture, all represented by the Artisana Gallery (612 Light-house Ave.) in Pacific Grove, and the Carmel Valley Art Association (2 Chambers

From Sac State to Ole Miss

“My roommate there was a girl from Kentucky who was headed for the University of Mississippi,” she said. “I was headed to Sacramento State but thought it was kind of a scary-creepy place when I got there, partly because a coed had been murdered on campus.”

That’s when Hutton’s Kentucky friend suggested she transfer to Ole Miss, which welcomed her application with open arms. Enrollment there was in a death spiral because the University of Mississippi had recently bent to pressure from civil-rights activist and accepted its first-ever African-American student, James Meredith.

“Ole Miss was offering a huge financial bonus to any out-of-state students who wanted to enroll because so many locals had pulled their kids out of the school, so it was a very interesting time to be there,” Hutton said. “I wanted to learn about a part of the country that I knew nothing about. I observed the politics but stayed out of it, and I made a lot of great friends there. I found a lot of very intelligent, highly educated people at Ole Miss. Parts of the Deep South were beautiful and inspiring, and the art department was wonderful.”

At Mississippi, she developed strong drawing

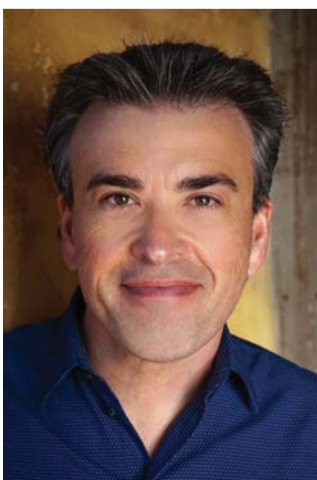
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Pacific Grove watercolorist Peggy Hutton prefers to paint outdoors, often with her 11-year-old Airedale terrier, Shuggy.

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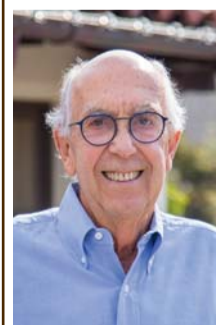
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ARTIST

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skills and learned to be an oil painter, but discovered when she moved to Pacific Grove that her oils took too long to dry.

“That’s when I started playing around with watercolor,” said Hutton, who took multiple workshops from Gerald Brommer, a celebrated landscape artist, and also studied in Seattle with Barbara Fugate, who specializes in figurative artwork.

“Some people are gifted teachers, and Barbara was masterful,” she said. “And Brommer was such a nice person, with an easy-going style. He taught me a lot about landscapes, and he used a lot of watercolor.”

Watercolor can be tricky, she said, because the water

and the color can move in unpredictable directions, and the paint reacts differently when applied to various types of paper.

“I’ve gravitated from a very textural surface to a smooth, flat, hot-press paper, which is very slick. You can’t control it very much, which makes it fun and exciting. If I tip my palette 45 degrees, it’ll do its own thing, and I’m still experimenting with that,” said Hutton, a member of the National Watercolor Society.

Short walk from the ocean

Her large, backyard studio in Pacific Grove is a short walk from the ocean and a short drive to any of the venues where other members of her plein air painting group gather in Pebble Beach, Point Lobos, Carmel or other picturesque spots along the Central Coast.

“I joined that plein air group here many years ago, and

they’re all still going out together,” she said. “Once a week we get an email about a place to go. If it works into our schedule and we’re not going to freeze to death, we go.”

Beautiful place

“I can’t think of anything nicer than being at a beautiful place with a bunch of good people,” Hutton said. “We chat for a bit when we say hello, but then everybody settles down and goes to work. For a couple of hours, you don’t look up, you don’t talk, you just paint, and then it’s fun to see what everybody else came up with while they were looking at the same scene you were.”

Hutton’s work can be seen at the Carmel Valley Art Association, Artisana Gallery and on her website at peggy-hutton.com.

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HISTORY

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two lots west of the bakery and opened the Carmel Grocery store. In September 1917, the Schweningen family announced they were closing the bakery to “give all their attention to their growing grocery business.” In December 1917, baskets made by the Papago Indians were the wares offered in the former bakery building.

Both Schweningen boys filed for the World War I draft. George received a medical deferment, but on May 1, 1918, Ernest left by train for the recruit depot at Fort McDowell on San Francisco Bay’s Angel Island.

Two weeks later, on May 17, Fritz and Helen’s delivery truck overturned in a fiery crash on Carmel Hill. After being rescued, they were taken to the Frances Munion Sanitarium in New Monterey. It was too late. They died the next day from their severe burns. Ernest was given a 30-day leave to come home and help settle affairs, but George had the responsibility of keeping the family business going until Ernest could return after the war.

Longest run

Fortunately, the war was over a few months later. Ernest had been stationed with the Navy at Mare Island and

was back home by the end of the year to resume operating Schweningen’s grocery and figuring out what to do with the bakery building.

The bakery sat vacant throughout 1919, then reopened as Carmel Bakery in March 1920, under a lease to Carl Husemann, a 40-year-old German immigrant who had earlier been at the Golden West Bakery in San Francisco.

The Schweningen brothers owned the building for the rest of their lives, leasing to a string of owners of the bakery, including Mathias Schmutz (1932-1944), Otto Miller (1944-1953) and Ralph Norton (1953-1956). Miller returned in 1956 and was still operating it when the Schweningen heirs sold the three lots and buildings to Charles Rayne in 1963. Miller sold the bakery to de Smet in 1968.

Rather than renewing de Smet’s lease in 1988, the widow of Charles Rayne leased the bakery building to Scott Hennessy and Ron Garren of Monterey Baking Co. There was a bit of a dispute over how it was handled, but the parties worked it out, and effective May 1, 1988, Hennessy and Garren were owners of Carmel Bakery. Just one year later, Pepe bought the bakery from them.

At 32 years and counting, Pepe has the longest run of the eight or so owners of Carmel Bakery. Further, in 2013 he bought the bakery building from the Rayne family, making him the only baker/owner of the building since Fritz Schweningen ran it more than 100 years ago.

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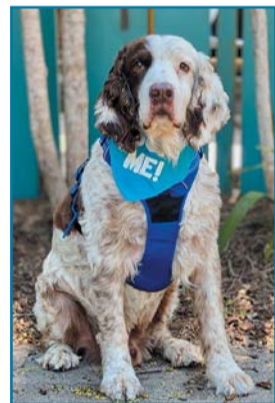
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SPORTS

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Stevenson placed 11th out of 29 teams in the boys team competition with 70.5 points, just ahead of Carmel, which tallied 65 points for 13th place.

The Padres were led by Harrison Hong, who was second to Mitty's Robbie Griswold in the 100 backstroke (51.62), and third in the 100 butterfly (49.93). Teammate Kai Garren was third in the 200 freestyle (1:42.69) and 500 freestyle (4:41.71). Both are seniors.

Golf

Carmel placed second to Archbishop Mitty at the Region 1 boys golf championship, qualifying as a team for the CCS finals. Mitty won the region with 398 strokes, while the Padres were three strokes back at 401. Eleven schools had full teams in Region 1, a tournament won by Nathan Wang of Mitty with a score of 66.

Stevenson sophomore Curtis DaSilva placed third in Region 1, five strokes behind Wang with a 71, and two behind runner-up Steven Chen of Cupertino. Carmel's top individuals were Nicco Cristofalo, who tied for 12th in the 84-player event with a 77, and Cole Kroeker, who shot 80 for 24th place.

In the regional finals, Carmel was fifth out of eight teams with 407 strokes, 19 off the pace of team champ Harker.

The individual championship was a three-way tie, with Nathan Wang of Mitty, Leo Wang of Aragon and Jamison Tan of Los Altos at 70. The highest local placer was Car-

mel's Caleb Barstad (77 for 18th place), a stroke ahead of teammate Ryan Dority and Stevenson's DaSilva, who tied for 2nd with 78 strokes.

The highest placing local competitor at CCS was Stevenson's Sydney Craven, who placed seventh in the girls tournament with a 78. Teammate Kristina Abanico placed 27th with a score of 90.

Santa Catalina was represented by Sophia Chun, who shot 103, a stroke better than Carmel's Makenna Tarsitano, the best of six Padres in the event.

Soccer

Carmel reached the championship game of the Division IV boys' bracket, where the Padres lost 2-1 in overtime to Harbor. They led 1-0 at halftime.

The Padres, who finished the season with a 9-2-1 overall record, came into the tournament seeded No. 3 among eight teams, defeating No. 6 Aptos 5-0 to advance to the semifinals, where they beat Latino College Prep 3-0 to reach the title game.

Carmel reached the semifinal round of the Division III playoffs during the 2009-2010 season, but had never previously reached the finals.

Carmel goalkeeper Jerry Blanco, a senior, gave up just two goals this year in 10 regular-season games. The Padres top offensive players were Elias Bouhaja (10 goals, 5 assists), Brody Mendez (7, 3), Augie Ahn (6, 6), Zach Ramwali (6, 4) and Carver Tunnell (5, 2).

Softball

Third-seeded Stevenson beat Soquel 8-3 in the quarterfinal round of the Division III bracket, but the Pirates' season ended in the semifinals with a 0-6 loss to Woodside.

Nearly 20 years ago, Taylor contracted a rare disease in her left eye which weakened it, despite 10 hours of surgery. Still, she continued to read music, sing, and play her violin until three years ago, when she decided her eye needed a rest.

"The MPC Chamber Orchestra was playing at the Carmel Mission," she said, "and I knew, when I played the last chord in the last song, that it was my last concert. My conductor said I could come back and play at the back of the orchestra. Had I not been concertmaster, I might have been able to do that. But I needed to leave when I was on top."

Living does get more challenging as we age, she said. "But I'm still watching for new doors to open, shedding new light to learn by. I simply don't have time to lament. I still have so much more to create."

The Pirates finished the year 12-7 overall.

The victory over Soquel was highlighted by a seven-hit pitching performance by freshman Claren Wong, and a 14-hit Pirate attack, led by Gaby Perez, Alex Dalhamer, Kailley and Sydney Clymo and Wong, who got two hits each.

Lacrosse

After going undefeated in eight regular-season games, Stevenson's girls routed Hillside 18-6 in the opening round of the first-ever CCS lacrosse playoffs, but lost a 12-17 shootout to second-seeded St. Francis in the quarterfinals. There were 10 teams in the tournament, and all schools played in the same bracket, regardless of school size.

Stevenson's boys, 10-1 during the regular season, were seeded fourth in their nine-team bracket, but lost 4-7 to Bellarmine in their quarterfinal round game.

Volleyball

Carmel's boys, 5-1 in regular season games, were seeded No. 1 among nine schools in their Division III tournament, but were eliminated in the quarterfinals by King's Academy, which defeated the Padres 20-25, 17-25 and 23-25.

Tennis

Stevenson was one of 16 unseeded schools in the 24-team CCS boys tennis championships, despite a regular season during which the Pirates compiled an 8-0 dual-meet record.

The Pirates edged Burlingame 4-3 in their first-round game, but were eliminated in the second round, 0-7, by second-seeded Bellarmine, which eventually lost to Menlo in the finals.

There was no individual tournament this season, and no local teams participated in the girls championships.

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LIVES

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Although she had sung only folk music, Taylor decided to audition for I Cantori di Carmel, a volunteer chorus that seeks excellence in classical choral performance. She elected to sing "Amazing Grace" and brought along her guitar. A few measures in, conductor Sal Ferrantelli stopped her and said, "You don't need the guitar. You're in." Taylor sang with I Cantori for 12 years.

"I put myself deeply into the artistry of my work," she said, "yet I know my limits. I had no delusions of being a soloist, but I loved singing with the choir."

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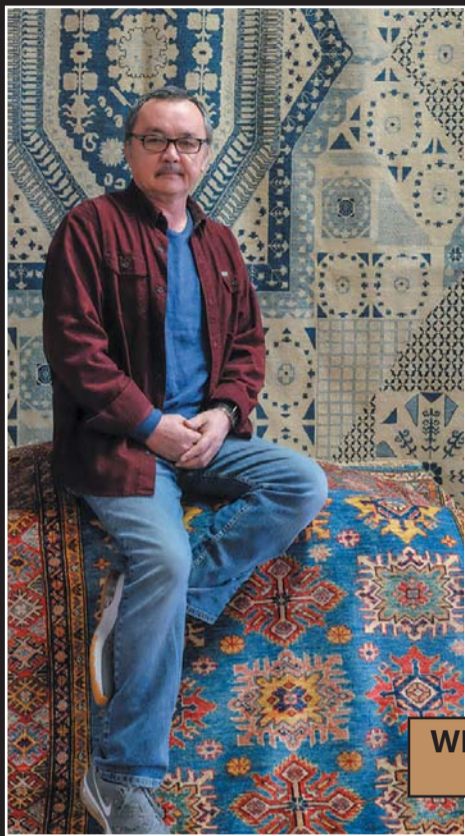
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BAEZ

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“dancer and guitarist” and her husband, noted folksinger and writer Richard Fariña — were also featured. In what was as much a traffic nightmare then as it would be today, 500 people were expected to attend.

The Big Sur Folk Festival, of which Baez was a founder, likely grew out of that weekend and became an annual event for more than a decade.

Later in 1964, Baez performed a benefit at the Monterey Fairgrounds for the Pioneer House, a school in Seaside for “culturally disadvantaged pre-schoolers.”

As the 1960s progressed, Baez used her musical bully pulpit to advance her views on nonviolence. On Jan. 20, 1966, she was invited to “one of Miss Diane Hardy’s speech classes at Carmel High School,” by a student who wanted to hear her views. The principal, Warren Edwards, noted that the talk had to be moved to a larger venue because interest had grown, “out of all proportion.” Paul Ecker from the Naval Post-graduate School was brought in to present an opposing viewpoint, as well.

Permit problems

Since you’re not a real Carmel Valley property owner until you’ve wrestled with your neighbors and/or the county over something, it’s only natural that Baez ran afoul of the county planning commission. She owned a home off Miramonte Road but also had a permit for her Institute for the Study of Nonviolence in an old school building farther out the valley.

Trouble was, the institute — which was narrowly approved over neighbors’ objections — was holding weekend and outdoor sessions, neither of which was allowed by its permit. Someone complained in April 1966. After a couple of hearings, the commission issued a warning, and the story dropped off The Pine Cone’s pages.

In October of that year, the paper reported that Baez sang at the wedding of Judith

Ward and Paul Denison at the Carmel Valley Community Chapel. Then, less than a month later, The Pine Cone noted that Baez had just been released from jail in Santa Rita after completing a 10-day sentence with her mother and sister for “their part in anti-draft demonstrations in Oakland.”

Car shopping

You’d think that two Beatles dropping by in the summer of 1968 might have garnered more than a sentence in the newspaper, but that’s all readers got. In a column called “Incidentally,” a reporter noted, “Such tidbits as George and Ringo of the Beatles visiting Joan Baez in her Carmel Valley home help make this column more interesting,” and then appealed for readers to submit their own items.

By the early 1970s, she had moved away, and Pine Cone coverage of Baez’ career was limited, but in the Sept. 1, 1977, edition, Frank Lloyd shared a story about her past in his history column.

He wrote that in the early 1960s, when she was less recognizable, she went auto-shopping at “a place selling expensive foreign cars,” where, “those present quickly tried to slip the jeans-clad Joan out to the backyard where previously owned vehicles rested uneasily.” Baez wouldn’t give up, and, Lloyd reported, the salesman added insult to injury by “humoring her something like stewardesses do a bomb-carrying nut on an airliner.” She evidently paid cash for a new vehicle, which a friend of hers subsequently “wrapped around a tree.”

And, in a flashback to that folk music seminar in Big Sur, the Oct. 8, 1992, edition of The Pine Cone reported that county supervisors approved a permit for a 30th anniversary party at Esalen (over planners’ objections). Baez, Bonnie Raitt, Jackson Browne, Mimi Baez Fariña, Kenny Loggins and others performed for spectators who paid \$75 apiece to attend the sold-out event. “Organizers warned those without tickets not to come. Unauthorized vehicles may well be towed away,” the paper cautioned would-be lookie-loos.

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HONOR

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It reads, "Dedicated to the memory of Larry J. Larson (1946-1967), a graduate of Junipero Serra School who selflessly suspended his preparations to become a priest and enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, believing it was his duty to serve his country in time of need. Larry was killed in action on March 26, 1967, while fighting in Operation Beacon Hill in the Republic of Vietnam. Larson Field was dedicated on Sept. 22, 1968."

The bronze plaque also notes it was "placed in loving memory by his brother Marines from 2nd Platoon, Company C, 1st Battalion, 4th Marines, June 14, 2020."



Until last year, most people probably didn't know who Larson Field is named for. A bronze plaque now explains.

brother, Bob, who served in Vietnam and was later made an honorary member of the platoon. He died in October 2018.

The men are set to attend Lang's book signing at River House in the Crossroads June 27 from noon to 4 p.m., as well. "This will be a unique event, because it will feature the members of the platoon who are

Never missed a year

"I recruited my brother and his son to attach the plaque to concessions stand at the field," Lang said. "Despite the difficulties involved due to the Covid restrictions, we still wanted to honor the date that was recorded on the plaque."

The next day, June 14, 2020, they held a small dedication ceremony that included Larson's sister-in-law and her son, Keith Larson, and Greg "Doc" Long, "who was the platoon's corpsman in Vietnam and was instrumental in getting the plaque made," Lang said.

With two members of the platoon there, it also counted as a reunion, albeit a small one.

"The men in the platoon are proud that they have never gone a year without honoring their comrades and hence count the 2020 reunion as the 'smallest' of their reunions," Lang said. "It was never canceled."

With Covid restrictions now mostly lifted, eight of Larson's fellow Marines will be here for this year's reunion, much of which will also focus on honoring Larry's older

in town, and they will be able to talk to the public and sign copies," Lang said. "Most of them have photos in the book."

TREE

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the tree, working well into the night. The crew returned the next day to finish the substantial job.

Linda Smith said the milled lumber will probably end up being used for new railings and fencing on public property around town, and she's also going to have a picnic table made from the wood of the pine, which had been there since before she was born. She plans to sprout new trees from seeds harvested from the pine's cones, as well, so they can be planted in town.

Smith estimated the tree had been growing in front of her family cottage for more than a century, and she was sad to see it go but also grateful it will continue giving to the city.



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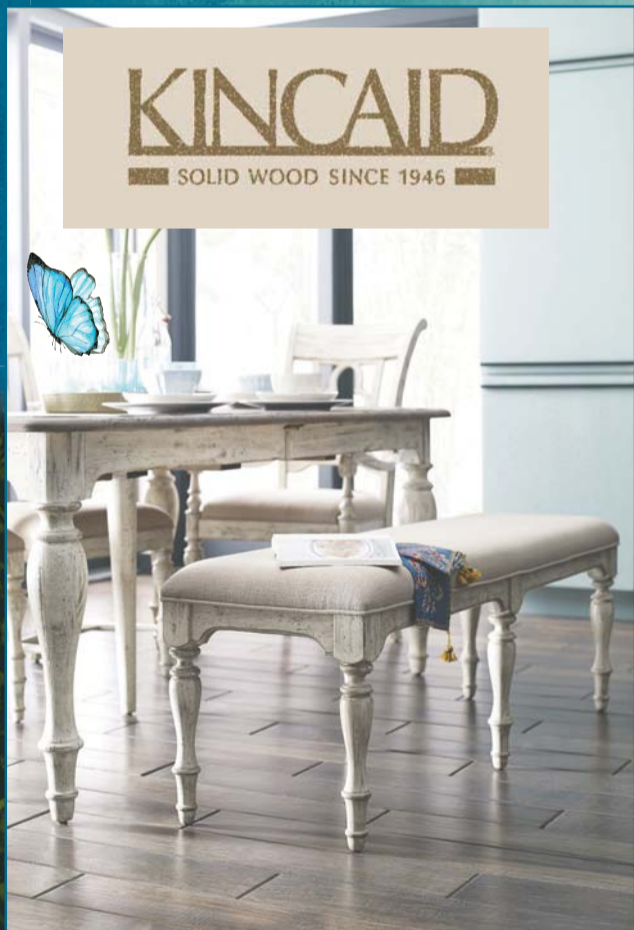
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Twenty-one centuries of work that led to a 15-minute procedure

By ELAINE HESSER

BLINDNESS CAUSED by cataracts used to be a fact of life. According to an article by Drs. Jonathan Rho and Kourtney Houser, published by the American Academy of Ophthalmology, doctors have known about cataracts for millennia. Historic records of treating them go back to the 5th century B.C., with a procedure involving needles in a technique called “couching” — likely referring to the need to go to bed for a while after the treatment.

Cataracts often occur with age, when, according to the Mayo Clinic, “the lenses in your eyes become less flexible, less transparent and thicker.” There are some injuries and genetic conditions that can cause cataracts in younger people, or even babies, but for the purposes of this article, we’ll be sticking with the type commonly seen in older adults.

Fading colors

Dr. Leland Rosenblum, a Monterey ophthalmologist, said that cataracts usually develop slowly, and not nec-

essarily at the same rate in each eye. Difficulty driving at night and dealing with glare, needing more light to read and double vision often result from cataracts. Other symptoms include a perceived yellowing or fading of colors and seeing halos around lights. Cataracts can also be detected during a routine eye exam.

Of course, Rosenblum said, treatment has improved significantly since ancient times. Some progress was made in 1747, when a French doctor successfully removed a clouded lens, leaving just its protective covering — the lens capsule — in place. Without a natural lens, however, the eye could no longer focus, and what Rosenblum referred to as thick “Coke-bottle” glasses were required.

He said that a big breakthrough in treating the problem came about by accident. During World War II, Sir Harold Ridley, a doctor with the British Royal Air Force, discovered that when splinters of plastic from airplane cock-

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Some healthcare professionals get around on four paws

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

THE PAMPERED pets who live in the Monterey Peninsula romp through waves along the shore and take long walks in beautiful settings. They're provided water at storefronts and, once inside, a treat. Some restaurants even cater to canine tastes with special menu items.

Yet, while most dogs provide comfort and companionship, some are pros. These are the community service canines — highly trained, intuitive and patient animals that reach into the hearts and minds of those who are elderly, ill, impaired, traumatized or in need of comfort and reassurance.

Service dogs — those trained to perform specific tasks for people with disabilities — change lives. Born with glaucoma, Marisa Vallejo of Marina has been legally blind her whole life. She can see colors and shapes, but if someone extends a hand to shake hers, or if there is a curb or staircase, she'll miss it.

A nudge from a nose

Vallejo was raised in the Monterey Bay area but left home for a year for special training at the Orientation Center for the Blind in Albany, and then went to the LightHouse for the Blind & Visually Impaired in San Francisco. In 2018, she was paired with her first guide dog. Trained by Guide Dogs for the Blind, Tomei, now 4, has been Vallejo's constant companion.

"Tomei provides obstacle avoidance," Vallejo said. "She also taps my leg with her nose when we reach the end of the sidewalk and, depending on the angle of her body, I know whether to step off the curb or up a step."

Tomei also identifies elevators, escalators, doorways and staircases for Vallejo, and guides her to the garbage, mailbox, bus stop or door to her home.

"I learned to train Tomei with very short phras-



Owner Jennifer Bange partners with Basil, a therapy dog at Central Coast VNA & Hospice. He's not just a pretty face (right) — Basil is keenly aware of people's needs.



es, 'Wait, sit, find door,' and by using food and the sound of a clicker," she said. "After three or four times, things become landmarks for her, and I no longer need to use verbal commands."

Calm dogs

Most guide dogs come from a long lineage of highly trained and tested working dogs. At 8 to 10 weeks old, they are placed with "puppy raisers," who provide affection and basic obedience lessons.

Nearly a year later, they are returned to Guide Dogs for the Blind for specialized training.

Vallejo, a receptionist for the Blind and Visually Impaired Center in Pacific Grove, uses public transportation to get from her Marina home to work. Most often, she relies on MST's door-to-door service — and Tomei.

"Guide dogs are very calm," Vallejo said. "They

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Wait, now my eyes need exercise too?

By SALLY BAHO

EVERYONE KNOWS about the importance of exercise, but do our eyes need a workout? As it turns out, your baby blues — or browns — are controlled by small muscles which focus your natural lenses and regulate the amount of light that comes in by dilating or constricting the pupils.

The eyes can become especially fatigued when dealing with computer screens and staying indoors, where near vision is used more than distance — something most people have experienced more of than usual for the last year-and-a-half.



Anil Sethi

This type of eye strain or stagnation is ultimately bad for our overall eye health, explained Anil Sethi, an optometrist with Crisp Vision Optometry in Monterey. There are some small, simple movements, however, that combat the ill effects of our modern lifestyles.

'Hypnotized'

Many people who work on computers, and even children attending school via a screen, develop computer vision syndrome, or digital eye strain,

described by the American Optometric Association as a group of eye- and vision-related problems resulting from prolonged computer and smart phone use.

Symptoms include blurred vision, red and dry eyes, and headaches. The AOA reports that the average American worker spends seven hours a day on the computer, and it's speculated that that estimate might be low, with so many people working and attending school from home.

"We are hypnotized by our devices," said Sethi. Normally, people should blink about 15 times a minute, but that slows by almost two-thirds when someone's using a computer or other electronic device. When people don't blink or blink incompletely — which they are apt to do while chasing after videos and popups on the computer screen, or simply staring — the eyes desiccate, or dry out.

During "near work" — which includes not just screen time, but tasks like reading a book, sewing and so on — focusing requires the muscles of the eye to flex. The AOA says this can create "false myopia," or temporary nearsightedness, adding that, "constant visual stress may lead to a permanent reduction in distance vision over time."

The organization encourages people to follow the 20-20-20 rule to relieve digital eye strain. That is, every

20-20-20 RULE

Every 20 MINUTES
look at something
20 FEET AWAY for
20 SECONDS



20 minutes, take 20 seconds and look at something 20 feet away. This exercises the eyeball and relieves the tension put on it by staring at things up close.

Take a break

"What I recommend is every 20-30 minutes, take a second or two to close the eyes, squeeze them gently shut,

then open the eyes and look at something far away," explained Sethi. That enables natural oils and the tears to lubricate the eyeballs, keeping them healthy, as well as giving the eye muscles a bit of a break. Sethi even encouraged setting a timer or notification on your smart watch as a reminder.

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pits became lodged in pilots' eyes in battle, they didn't cause the same inflammatory reactions as pieces of glass.

Acting on this knowledge, Ridley designed an artificial lens implant of the same material and in 1950, was able to implant one permanently inside a human eye.

By 1980, Dr. Charles Kelman — another pioneer in the field of cataract surgery — perfected a process that uses ultrasound waves to break up the damaged lens, so that it can be vacuumed out, instead of having to be removed whole. When combined with the first silicone lenses that could be folded and then opened up inside the eye — Rosenblum called them "taco lenses" — the procedure significantly decreased the size of the incision required to as little as 2 millimeters.

Rosenblum estimated that he performs 450 to 500 cataract surgeries annually, on patients who are typically in their late 70s to early 80s, with an average age of around 74. Risk factors for the condition (besides age) include excessive exposure to sunlight, smoking, obesity, high blood pressure, diabetes and alcohol abuse.

A patient may need surgery in one or both eyes,

depending on how bad their cataracts are. If both eyes need to be done, Rosenblum recommends a three-week wait in between.

These days, cataract surgery is an outpatient procedure that takes less than 15 minutes, although Rosenblum said that adding time for check-in, prep and recovery brings the total to around two hours. The patient is usually awake, but the eye is numbed and a mild intravenous anesthetic is administered.

Some people begin experiencing positive results immediately after surgery, and the majority of patients can see well within a week.

More advancements

Thanks to lasers, measurements are far more precise than they used to be, and the number and kinds of lenses available for implantation has grown significantly. "It used to be one standard lens. You could either have good distance vision or near vision, but not both," Rosenblum said.

Now, however, advanced technology has produced multifocal lenses, which have a range of corrective zones to allow people to see distance, mid-range, and up close without glasses, and there are lenses that correct astigmatism, too. Rosenblum said that infections are "vanishingly rare," with fewer than one in 1,000 patients experiencing them.



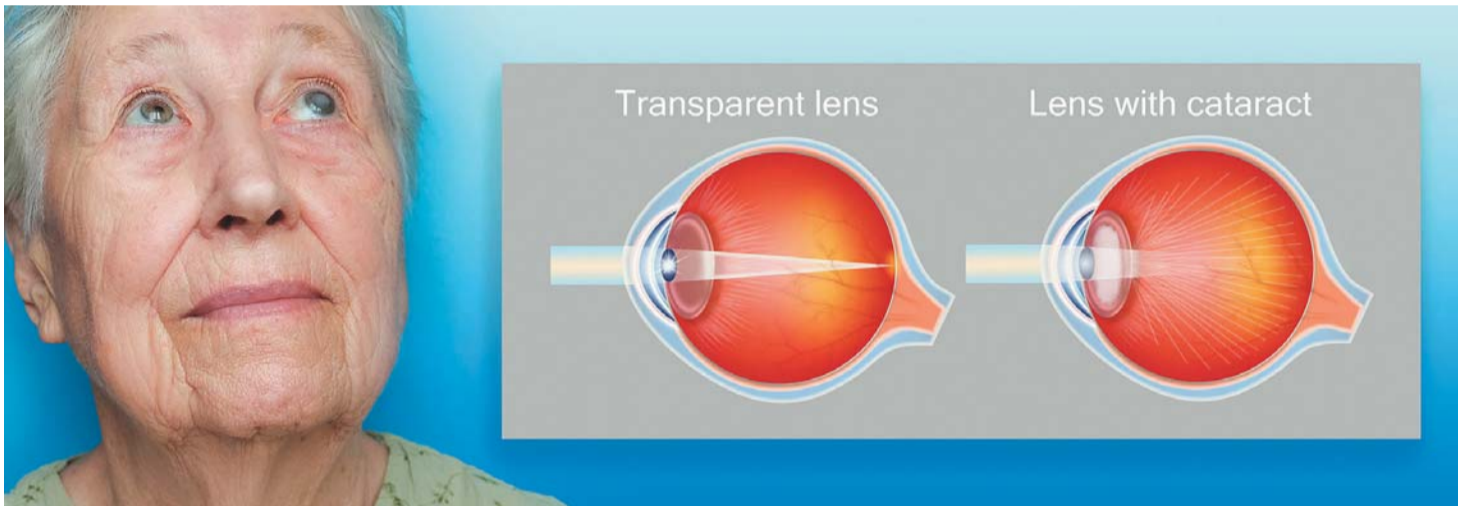
After cataract surgery, post-op care includes eye drops.

A week of recovery

After surgery, some doctors recommend bandaging the affected eye for 24 hours, but Rosenblum doesn't believe that's necessary for routine cataract surgery. However, he said, some patients may want to wear a night shield to avoid rubbing or scratching in their sleep. Post-op treatment includes using eye drops several times a day. Rosenblum said doctors are moving toward an all-in-one formula that combines anti-inflammatory, anti-pain and antibiotic ingredients in one bottle, greatly decreasing the number of eye drops required after the procedure.

For one week after surgery, restrictions include not rubbing the eye, no swimming, no vigorous bending or lifting, no inversions (yogis have to skip downward-facing dog), and forgoing eye makeup.

Most patients find their new, improved vision to be a great asset, seeing everything better than they have in years. If your world has started to blur, it's worth a visit to your eye doctor for an exam and some sound medical advice.



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Farmers Market Frittata with Oven-Roasted Vegetables

Michael Scanlon – La Mia Cucina

THIS MONTH'S recipe — a savory frittata — comes courtesy of Michael Scanlon at La Mia Cucina restaurant in Pacific Grove. It can be made using whole eggs, egg whites or a combination, and any vegetables you like. In the version shown here, Chef Michael added zucchini, mushrooms, cherry tomatoes and onions, but use your imagination. You can buy jarred pesto, or whip up your own at home. Leftover pesto is great with pasta or on sandwiches, too. The dish can be served hot or cold, perfect for picnics by the sea.

Chef Bio

OWNER AND chef Michael Scanlon of La Mia Cucina in Pacific Grove learned by doing. His grandfather had a sardine boat called City of Monterey, and cooking was a very important part of all fishing families' lives. Although he's always called Monterey home, Scanlon grew up around the globe, as his family traveled from post to post with his dad, a foreign service officer. Living in Germany, Jamaica, Poland, Switzerland, Iceland and Australia provided a varied and unique exposure to different cultures.



Michael and Paula Scanlon

His family was always cooking and entertaining, and that continued in Scanlon's early career as general manager at the former Rappa's Restaurant on Fisherman's Wharf. His hospitality career continued as general manager of Capitola's enchanting Shadowbrook Restaurant for 14 years, providing many opportunities to host special events and dignitaries.

Scanlon and his wife Paula took over La Mia Cucina in 2013, and have added many family recipes to the menu. By day, they prepare all of the menu items and by night oversee the operation. Everything is house made, and some of the most popular items include handmade ravioli, Italian sausage, gnocchi and desserts.



INGREDIENTS

3-4 cups diced vegetables (see notes; ham, cooked sausage and/or cooked bacon may also be added)

Olive oil for tossing

12 fresh eggs (or 24 egg whites, if you prefer)

1/2 cup bread crumbs (omit if you prefer to go gluten-free)

1/2 cup Parmesan cheese

1 tablespoon pesto (see notes)

Salt and pepper to taste

Preheat the oven to 450 degrees while you dice the vegetables, keeping the pieces approximately equal in size. Roast them for about 15 minutes until they're partially cooked. Mix in a large bowl with the remaining ingredients, then bake in a lightly oiled 5-by-9-inch loaf pan for 30-40 minutes (still at 450 degrees), until a knife inserted in the center comes out clean.

Cool, cut and enjoy warm or cold.



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SORTING IT OUT

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Commenting on Covid-related computer use and kids who began their formal education last year, he noted, "I feel bad for the younger generation, because the first time they see what school's about, it's a screen. We're giving kids mixed messages — you have to attend school through a screen, but screen time is bad for you."

The great outdoors

So, from a preventative perspective, Sethi recommends that patients try to go outdoors two to three hours a day because, he explained, "that's two to three hours you're not inside staring at a screen or close up things." Being outdoors and exposing our eyes to natural light is imperative for eye

health and the development of the eyes in children.

Screens and being indoors are a part of modern reality. However, it's important to give our eyes a rest, to blink, and to get outdoors, where there's natural light and the eye muscles can relax while focusing on objects in the distance. It's a good thing there's no shortage of hiking trails, walking paths, and beaches around here — all literally easy on the eyes. Just don't forget to wear sunglasses.



With Covid, kids' screen time has increased.

Spending time outside — and away from computer screens — can be important for eye health.



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use their minds constantly, having to think through everything, so they come home exhausted. Once off the harness, Tomei knows she's a family dog, not on the job, and can relax."

Focused on people

Basil is a 2-year-old German shepherd who competes in distance dock-diving and timed swimming events. But his human colleague, Jennifer Bange, has known since he was a puppy, that he was destined for more than jumping into lakes.

"After a few months, I knew he was special — a highly intelligent, intuitive, loyal, athletic dog," said Bange, director of dietary services at Hazel Hawkins Hospital in Hollister. "I knew he should become a therapy dog."

Bange, a former nutritionist for VNA & Hospice, is certain dogs have a profound impact on people's emotional well-being, including those in end-of-life

care. Bange sensed Basil could help relieve stress and provide comfort to patients and their family members through VNA's pet therapy program — part of the organization's therapeutic support of hospice patients. Therapy dogs provide affection and comfort to folks in hospitals and other health-care facilities. To fulfill that function, Basil had extensive training and rigorous tests to pass.

For months, he trained to pass the American Kennel Club's Canine Good Citizen test, which required demonstration of proper acceptance of strangers, walking on a loose lead and performing other tasks, without exhibiting resentment, shyness, panic, barking or aggressiveness — and taking no more than a casual interest in other dogs or distractions. This was followed by therapy dog classes at California Canine in Pacific Grove, and certification by the nonprofit group, Therapy Dogs International. Then, he got to work.

"When Basil started visiting one patient," said Bange, "the man wouldn't get out of bed. In time,

he felt encouraged to get up, sit in his chair, stand up, and actually smile. He went from giving up to reengaging."

Basil and Bange had to discontinue their visits — as many as four a week — due to the pandemic. Bange used the time to put Basil through four months of training to become a service dog.

Basil seems to know when to shift his energy between providing therapy and service, and when to get fired up for dock-diving competitions. He also knows when it's time to rest at home, in Hollister.

"Basil has an innate sense of reading people and has never misread a signal," said Bange. "He and I are very close, but I see him as 'the people's dog,' since he adapts to the person or place of the moment."

Shared experiences

Sometimes, difficult beginnings can lead to happy endings. Nestle, a black Labrador retriever, began her life in the home of an abusive man. She was adopted by Leigh Cecka, operations manager for the Kinship Center in Salinas, which arranges foster care and offers adoption services. Cecka taught Nestle that she was safe — a lesson the canine passed on to kids at the center for nearly 16 years.

One morning, three very young children, just removed from their parents, came to the Kinship Center after spending the night in a shelter. Unwilling to speak to anyone, the youngest kept trying to kick the social workers. When Cecka asked if anyone would like to meet her dog, the child ran over to Nestle, threw his arms around her neck, and sobbed into her shoulder. He slowly relaxed into her and fell asleep.

"Nestle, who died a year ago, was such a miracle worker with our kids," Cecka said. "Since she came from her own difficult beginning, I explained her parallel story to Kinship Center children, who could relate. I always let Nestle do the rest of the work."

Although she realizes Nestle was a very special dog, Cecka imagines another dog might be, as well. She has begun looking for another rare find she can train as a therapy dog for children.



Nestle, a black Lab, was a therapy dog at the Kinship Center for almost 16 years, until her death in 2020.

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Sandbox welcomes first concert, more shows coming

A VIOLINIST who won two Grammy Awards with the Turtle Bay Quartet, **Mads Tolling** was set to become the first artist to take the stage at a new performing arts venue, Sandbox, in Sand City Thursday.

A native of Denmark who now lives in San Francisco, Tolling was set to play at January's Whalefest Monterey,

In 2016, he received a Rising Star award from Downbeat magazine.

Director **Michelle Djokic** looks forward to hearing more live music at Sandbox.

"It is thrilling to imagine all the possibilities that exist for collaboration and community-building," said Djokic, a cellist who was nominated for a Grammy in 2010. "It's the art that happens here and the audience's takeaway that will define Sandbox."

Coming soon to Sandbox are concerts by **The Manzanita Music Collective** — featuring violinist **Edwin Huizinga** — (July 1), **Le Hot Jazz Quarter of the Hot Club of San Francisco** (July 8), **The Alexander String Quartet** with guitarist **William Kanengiser** (July 14) and multi-instrumentalist **Sam Reider** (Aug. 5).

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Gallery presents two sculptors who paint

WELCOMING A pair of sculptors, Gallery Mar shares new work by J.D. Hansen and Stephanie Revennaugh in a show, "Mettle," which opens July 1.

Through her sculptures of people and animals, Hansen

On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

but due to Covid, he joined a streamed concert instead.

As a violinist and violist for the critically acclaimed Turtle Bay Quartet, he earned Grammys for his work on the albums "4 + Four" (2006) and "A Love Supreme — The Legacy of John Coltrane."

Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

explores strength and vulnerability. She emphasizes form over details.

"I try to capture the bare essence," Hansen said. "The work doesn't scream to get its message across — a certain

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Singer and guitarist John Paul Hodge (left) takes the stage Sunday at Folk Tale Winery in Carmel Valley. Grammy Award-winning violinist Mads Tolling (right) was set to present the first concert ever Thursday at Sandbox, a new performing arts venue in Sand City.

Sculptor Stephanie Revennaugh's creative inspiration comes from her lifelong love affair with horses. Her work debuts locally July 1.

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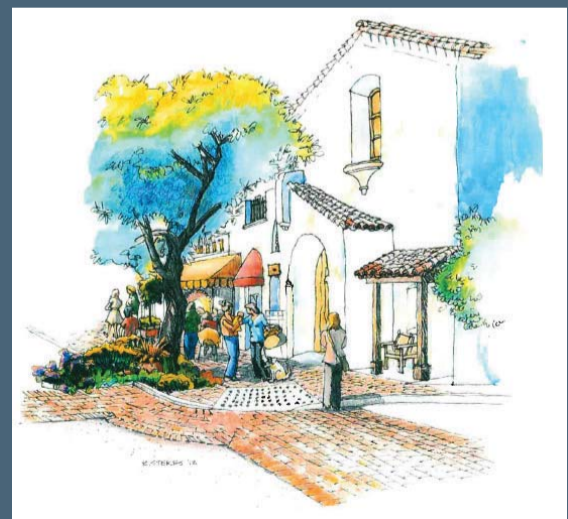
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FOOD & WINE

Wine news, lovely salmon, Independence Day pancakes, and a bay cruise

AFTER A decade of introducing visitors and locals to the tasting rooms of Carmel by selling “passports” that included stops at various spots around town, tourism group Visit Carmel “reimagined” the program and relaunched it this week. Now in the form of a free digital guide, the Carmel-by-the-Sea Wine Walk provides extras — like additional samples, discounts on merchandise and bottles, and opportunities to win prizes — that encourage people to explore the local wine scene.

“We saw the other wine walk kind of dying out, and we approached the tasting rooms and raised the idea of a Visit Carmel-sponsored wine walk,” said the nonprofit’s

paid tastings, and Kori Wines in the Court of the Fountains on Mission Street pours seven tastes when people pay for five. Manzoni Cellars on the southwest corner of San Carlos and Seventh offers an extra pour with a paid flight, and Scheid Vineyards across the street on the southeast corner shares its sparkling wine with Wine Walkers. Talbott Vineyards on Lincoln north of Sixth will upgrade tastings for participants, VINO Napoli at Dolores and Seventh gives them a cheese and salumi plate alongside paid tastings, and Windy Oaks on Lincoln north of Ocean offers two-for-one wine flights.

“It’s about upgrading and getting something special,” Herzog said.

Visit Carmel is funded by fees charged to hotel and restaurant customers, as well as by city taxpayers, and is in charge of marketing the city to visitors.

■ Catch your salmon while you can

While the days of getting whole local salmon fresh from a wharf market for \$3 a pound are long gone, there’s still plenty of the rich, buttery fish to go around when the commercial season is open, and there’s no better place to buy it than from a fishmonger — or directly off the boat.

Wild caught, Chinook (king) salmon “is the most prized salmon in California, not only because it is incredibly delicious, nutritious, and the largest of the salmon species caught commercially, but also because it is only available fresh during certain weeks of the summer,” according to the Monterey Bay Fisheries Trust, which offers a goldmine of information on where and when to find this local favorite.

The 2021 salmon season, which is set by federal regulators, is open until June 30, and again July 17-22 and Aug. 1-17, and buying salmon fresh from local purveyors means getting the freshest possible fish while supporting fishermen and small businesses here. At montereybayfisheritrust.org/local-catch-guide, the trust lists several options for fish markets and fishing boats that sell directly to the public, community supported fisheries, grocery stores,

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Dina Ruiz is set to emcee the Kinship Center’s Children First gala at Pasadera in October. The event replaces the former White Party fundraiser for the center.

Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

executive director, Amy Herzog.

The signup for the guide can be found at bit.ly/carmelwinewalk, and users receive a text containing the guide listing participating tasting rooms and providing other information. When visiting, tasters present their phones and receive unique four-digit PIN codes to check in and redeem the special offers. They’ll also be entered into quarterly prize drawings.

Eleven winetasting rooms are participating in the Wine Walk.

Blair Estate in Carmel Plaza pours a free taste of reserve pinot noir, Dawn’s Dream on San Carlos north of Seventh provides a reserve pinot tasting, and De Tierra Vineyards at Mission and Fifth offers 20 percent off purchases with a paid tasting. Galante on Dolores south of Ocean and Hahn in the Plaza provide an extra pour with

■ Social Hour opening soon

Social Hour, the barware store going in on Sixth between San Carlos and Dolores, is set to open June 25.

“It’s been a busy few months,” said Karen Baymiller, who co-owns the new business with her husband, Eric. “We are planning to open this weekend if everything goes as planned and we get the OK from the city. We are still waiting for them to confirm a time to do the final walk-through.”

The shop will feature all the essential tools, accessories and toys for the home bar, “every type of glass for any type of drink,” non-alcoholic drink mixers and ingredients, and “entertaining essentials for your Social Hour.”

The couple also plans to host demonstrations, tastings and other gatherings at the store, which was formerly occupied by an art gallery. For more information, visit socialhourcarmel.com.

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and a handful of restaurants that's by no means exhaustive.

For information on all things pertaining to local seafood, go to montereybayfisheriestrust.org.

■ Summertime wine deals

What better way to beat the heat (on the fairly rare occasions when we get it) than with a chilled glass of rosé or a nice crisp white? Monterey County produces some stellar white and pink wines, and right now, a few can be had at a discount.

At Silvestri, which operates a tasting room on Seventh between San Carlos and Dolores, the 2019 estate rosé is being offered for \$21 — a \$6 discount — through June 30. Silvestri is open daily from noon to 6 p.m. For more information, visit silvestrivineyards.com.

At the Crossroads shopping center, stop by McIntyre, which produces an excellent rosé of pinot noir. The newly released 2019 vintage is available for \$24. It's not on sale but still a great deal. Visit mcintyrevineyards.com for more.

The tasting room is open Thursday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Out in Carmel Valley Village, winemaker Ian Brand is offering deals on his summer sippers to “enjoy at the pool, on your porch, floating down the lazy river or wherever you go to just stay cool,” but only through June 25. A four-bottle purchase gets a 10 percent discount, and wines by the case are 20 percent off.

Brand makes wine under three labels. His Le P'tit Paysan sauvignon blanc from the historic Zabala Vineyard in Arroyo Seco goes for \$22, the Rhone-inspired Le P'tit Paysan rosé sells for \$19, the delicious La Marea albariño from Kristy Vineyard is available for \$24, and the I. Brand & Family pinot gris from Eden Rift is offered at \$30.

To order, email hello@ibrandwinery.com or call (831) 298-7227. The tasting room at 19 E. Carmel Valley Road is open Thursday through Monday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

A few doors down, Chesebro offers estate wines at phenomenal prices, including grenache rosé for \$19 and a spectacular albariño for \$22, as well as the popular sauvignon blanc (\$20). Special to Chesebro is a Basque-style dry hard cider that's available for \$15 per 750 ml bottle. For ordering and other information, go to chesebrowines.com. The tasting room is open Thursday through Sunday from noon to 6 p.m.

■ Pancakes are back!

The Monterey Firefighters' annual July 4 pancake breakfast returns to the lawn in front of Colton Hall on Pacific Street, with “warm fluffy pancakes, eggs, sausage, fruit and all the fixings,” as well as coffee by Carmel Valley Coffee Roasting Company, for \$12.50 per plate.

Breakfast will be offered from 8 to 11 a.m., and to-go orders are available, too. The morning will also include photo opportunities by Poptopia Balloons and Ben Kaatz Photography, kids craft table by MY Museum, a fire truck tour and more.

Proceeds benefit MY Museum and the Monterey Firefighters Community Foundation. Go to mymuseum.org/july4 for tickets, which must be purchased in advance.

■ Wine cruising

Jack and Dawn Galante are organizing a cruise around Monterey Bay on the Chardonnay III sailboat on Saturday, July 31, with wines from Galante Vineyards and Dawn's Dream, hors d'oeuvres and lots of fun conversation. The cruise runs from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. and costs \$159 per person. Email wine@galantevineyards.com or call (831) 624-3800 to reserve a spot.

■ Chamber lunch at Stonepine

After a hiatus in 2020, the annual Carmel Chamber of Commerce membership luncheon returns to Stonepine Estate east of Carmel Valley Village Friday, July 16, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The signature event celebrates membership milestones from five years to 50-plus and this year will be the second time it's held at Stonepine.

All fresco lunch and wine, and a wander around some of the grounds, will accompany certificate presentations to honored businesses, and afterward, guests can get a tour of Chateau Noel. Tickets are \$85 per person. To register, go to carmelchamber.org and click on the “events” tab. Stonepine Estate is located at 150 E. Carmel Valley Road, and parking is limited, so guests are asked to carpool.

■ A gala? What's that?

Planning ahead, the nonprofit Kinship Center will host its Children First gala (formerly the White Party) at the Club at Pasadera Oct. 9, and organizers are thrilled to be able to meet face to face with supporters again after more than a year. Guests will be greeted with champagne and appetizers, and enticed to bid on silent auction items.

Executive chef Colin Moody and his culinary team will prepare a sit-down dinner, and Dina Ruiz will serve as master of ceremonies. Auctioneer Nick Di Nieri will preside over a live auction, followed by music and dancing.

The event will also honor Jeff Davi, one of Kinship Center's strongest supporters, and will help raise funds for the center, which relies on donations to help “strengthen families and communities through services including foster care, adoption, and children's mental health.”

For tickets, sponsorship and other information, visit childrenfirstgala.org or contact Doreen Luke at (831) 455-4723 or doreen_luke@senecacenter.org. The Club at Pasadera is located on Highway 68 west of Laguna Seca.



Manzoni Cellars (left) at San Carlos and Seventh is part of Visit Carmel's reimagined Carmel-by-the-Sea Wine Walk, while a few miles away on Monterey Bay, fresh king salmon is being offered before the commercial season closes June 30.

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Live music June 18-24

The Barnyard shopping center — pianist **Michael Martinez** (Saturday at noon). 3663 The Barnyard, thebarnyard.com.

Bernardus Lodge & Spa in Carmel Valley — pianist **Michael Culver** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Adrea Castiano** (Saturday at noon), pianist **Martan Mann** (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **Richard Devinck** (classical and folk, Sunday at noon), singer and guitarist **Adrea Castiano** (Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.) and guitarist **John Sherry** (folk, blues and rock, Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.). In the Lucia Restaurant & Bar at 415 W. Carmel Valley Road, (831) 658-3400.

Big Sur River Inn — **Paige Two!** (jazz, Sunday at 1 p.m. On Highway 1 24 miles south of Rio Road, (831) 667-2700.

Cypress Inn — singer and pianist **Dino Vera** (jazz, blues and r&b, Friday at 7 p.m.), pianist **Gennady Loktionov** and singer **Debbie Davis** (cabaret, Saturday at 7 p.m.), **The Andrea Carter Trio** (jazz and blues, Sunday at 11 a.m.), guitarist **Richard Devinck** (classical, Sunday at 6 p.m.) and singer **Lee Durley** and pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). Lincoln and Seventh, (831) 624-3871.

Cibo restaurant in Monterey — singers **Lee Durley** and **Scotty Wright** (jazz, Tuesday at 7 p.m.) and **The Ben Herod Trio** (jazz, Wednesday at 7 p.m.). 301 Alvarado St., (831) 649-8151.

Folkale Winery in Carmel Valley — **Two Rivers** (Friday at 3 p.m.), singer and guitarist **James Murray** (Saturday at 3 p.m.), singer and guitarist **John Paul Hodge** (Sunday at 11:30 a.m.) and singer and guitarist **Daniel Cortes** (Monday at 3 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road, (831) 293-7500.

Hyatt Regency Monterey Hotel — singer and guitarist **Steven Shook** (Friday at 6 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Zack Freitas** (Saturday at 6 p.m.). 1 Old Golf Course Road, (831) 372-1234.

Gusto Pizzeria in Seaside — singer **Richard Bryant** and keyboardist **Bill Spencer** (jazz, Thursday at 5:30 p.m.). 1901 Fremont Blvd., (831) 899-5825.

The Inn at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach — pianist **Gary Meek**, bassist **Steve Uccello** and drummer **Andy Weis** (jazz, Friday at 7 p.m.) and pianist **Bill Spencer**, bassist **Steve Uccello** and drummer **Andy Weis** (jazz, Friday at 7 p.m.). 2700 17 Mile Drive, (831) 647-7500.

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

Juice and Java in Pacific Grove — Open Mic Night (Friday at 6 p.m.). 599 Lighthouse Ave., (831) 373-8652.

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

La Playa Hotel — **The David Morwood Band** (jazz, Sunday at 4 p.m.). Camino Real, (800) 582-8900.

The Lodge at Pebble Beach — singer and guitarist

Jenna Vivre (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Casey Wickstrom** (Saturday at 6 p.m.), and singer and guitarist **Kip Allert** (Sunday at 6 p.m.). In the Terrace Lounge at 1700 17 Mile Drive, (831) 624-3811.

Midici Pizza in Monterey — singer **Janice Perl**, keyboardist **Gary Meek** and **Pete Lipps** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.) and saxophonist and flutist **Paul Contos** and guitarist **Isaac DeVera** (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.

Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa — guitarist **John Sherry** (folk, blues and rock, Sunday at 1 p.m.). 400 Cannery Row, (831) 646-1700.

Rio Grill — singer and guitarist **Adrea Castiano** (Friday at 4 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Johan Sotelo** (Saturday at 1 p.m.), and singer and guitarist **Luis Fer** (Sunday at 1 p.m.). In the Crossroads shopping center, (831) 625-5436.

Sly McFly's in Monterey — **The Eldorados** (rock, Friday at 9 p.m.), **The Joint Chiefs** (jazz, Saturday at 9 p.m.), **Brad Wilson & the Rolling Thunder** (rock, Sunday at 9 p.m.), **Matt Masih & the Messengers** (funk and reggae, Monday at 9 p.m.), **Zach Freitas & the Hired Guns** (rock, Tuesday at 9 p.m.), **The John Michael Band** (pop and rock, Wednesday at 9 p.m.) and **The DC Trio** (funk, jazz and r&b, Thursday at 9 p.m.). 700 Cannery Row, (831) 649-8050.

Tarpy's in Monterey — singer and guitarist **Zack Freitas** (pop and rock, Saturday at 1 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Jenna Vivre** (rock, Sunday at 1 p.m.). 2999 Highway 68, (831) 647-1444.

Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley — **The Light Fighters** (acoustic rock, Friday at 6 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Brad Wilson** (rock, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place, (831) 298-7453.

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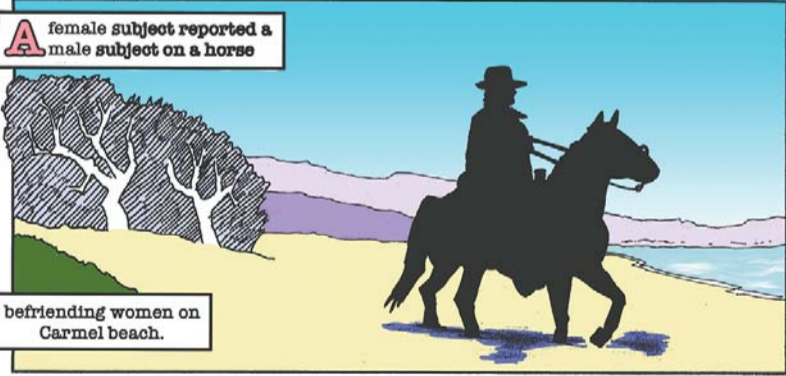
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ART

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Revenaugh’s creative inspiration comes from her lifelong love affair with horses. “I model the horse because its form has been imprinted into my consciousness through long hours of interaction, focused observation and drawing,” Revenaugh said. “While I am fascinated with the beauty and elegance of equine design, it is the sensitive spirit of the horse which invites exploration of abstract deeper meanings.”

Besides displaying their latest sculptures, the artists will unveil a few paintings.

Gallery co-owner Thomas Cushman said he’s looking forward to seeing Hansen’s and Revenaugh’s creations adorn the gallery, which is located on the west side of Dolores north of Ocean.

“I’m excited about this premier because not only do we get to see a substantial body of sculptural work from each artist, but each artist has also included some of their very personal paintings, which they don’t display as often,” Cushman added. “It’s a great opportunity to glimpse a more thorough view of their artistic vision.”

The gallery will host a reception for the two artists July 2 at 5 p.m. Call (831) 624-2000.

■ Another sculptor gets prize

The National Sculpture Society has given one of its top prizes — known as the Stanley Bleifeld Memorial Grant — to Steven Whyte, who works out of a studio in The Barnyard shopping center.

“Whyte’s body of work, from bas-relief portraits to monuments, is accomplished and impressive, and like Stanley Bleifeld’s, conveys the sculptor’s love for his medium and explores the ways sculpture can contribute to public understanding and compassion,” said Meredith Bergmann, one of

three jurors who selected Whyte.

The sculptor, meanwhile, was thrilled to be chosen for the award.

“I am so honored,” Whyte posted on social media. “It is a heady accomplishment to be included in an organization with such an incredible legacy. The National Sculpture Society includes artists that were my inspiration as a student and some of my most respected peers.”

For his efforts, Whyte not only takes home \$5,000, but he gets a quarter-page ad in the society’s Sculpture Review magazine.

■ Gallery celebrates artist

Paying tribute to a painter and printmaker who made her mark on the local art scene, Winfield Gallery hosts a memorial reception Sunday for Barbara Johnson, who died May 14. “She was 93 and had a great life,” gallery owner Chris Winfield told The Pine Cone.

Johnson’s creative path led her to painting and printmaking — and living in the Far East had a strong impact on her work.

“She spent time in Japan, and that influenced her in a lot of ways,” Winfield said. “I feel her printmaking was her best work — she loved being in her studio, where she did lots and lots of layering. There’s a real richness with how she put pieces together.”

The Carmel Art Association also had kind words for Johnson.

“Carmel Art Association had the honor of representing and being inspired by abstract expressionist Barbara Johnson’s sophisticated oils and monographs for the past 33 years,” the group said this week. “No wonder our artist members and staff alike still imagine that we hear Barbara’s distinctive New England accent echoing through the gallery. Now we must try to move forward without her unique spirit, perspective, candor and passion to create.”

The reception starts at 1 p.m. The show will continue through July 11. The gallery is located on Dolores between Ocean and Seventh. Call (831) 624-3369.

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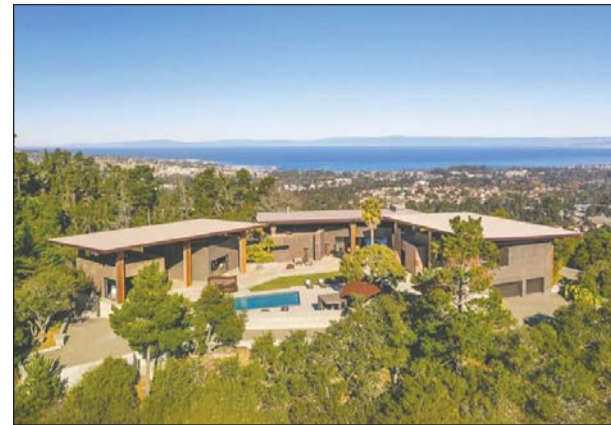
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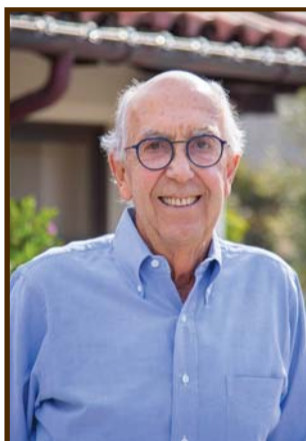


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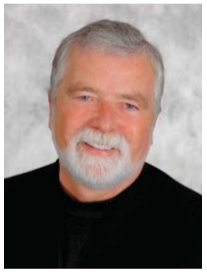
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best part about the week was when the sun came out, the masks came off. Suddenly we could see sunny skies and sunny faces. All the lovely people! Where do they all come from?

Summer means Carmel and cars, until

last year when a brand new supercharged V2020 Pandemic Special (made in China) drove the annual Concours d'Elegance into the sea.

Concours on the Avenue is my favorite event because I love to revisit the cars of my coming-of-age years while they're lined up on downtown streets. The event will take place this year Aug. 10. I'm not sure it will be the same format as in past years. According to the website, the 2021 Carmel-by-the-Sea Concours on the Avenue will focus on vehicles not usually seen. The cars will include a variety of legendary vehicles, well over 175 cars will be on display in groups of juried classes. These will include luxury cars, muscle cars, hot rods and sporting cars. The emphasis seems to be on Porsches and Ferraris. Nonetheless, I shall attend in hopes of seeing the best car I never owned, a 4,500-pound, 18-foot-long, sleek, stylish, sexy, sea-green 1957 Buick Super convertible.

Lead foot

It was the summer of '57 and the Buick belonged to a friend who was three years older than me. His name was Bill and he had money from an inheritance, which gave him the wherewithal to buy the Buick. Bill also had a heavy foot. He almost lost his driver's license from getting speeding tickets on the New York Thruway. So I became his designated driver.

Oh, the pity of it! Young and single, an easy summer job that gave me nights and weekends off, and the keys to a sleek Buick convertible. It had a white leather interior, very wide white sidewall tires with spoke

rims, a steering wheel bigger than a ship's helm and a chrome inner ring that set off a trumpet-like horn when depressed. It had me at honk!

Last call

Bill and I liked jazz, so we haunted the black and tan saloons where it was very cool to commingle the races for the shared joy of listening to good music. Buffalo had dozens of easy listening clubs where the music — not the color of your skin —

Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVASE

mattered. No matter where we went we always made "last call" at Cole's, a collegiate hangout at Elmwood and Forest on Buffalo's west side.

Summer is for beaches and Lake Erie is blessed with beautiful sandy shores on both the American and Canadian sides of the lake. The sand on the Canadian side is hard packed so cars could drive on it. Empire Beach is about 10 miles east of Ft. Erie, Ontario. It was a favorite getaway for my parents and their friends when they were young. There are pictures of me as a child in a playpen between two parked cars with a blanket stretched between them to provide shade.

In 1957, the young and reckless did not spend time at the family-oriented beaches. We gathered at Sherkston Quarry, also about 10 miles into the Province of Ontario, where one could dive from cliffs more

See **GERVASE** page 16RE



A 1957 Buick just like this one was the car Jerry Gervase yearned for but never got. He's hoping it will make an appearance at this year's Concours on the Avenue.



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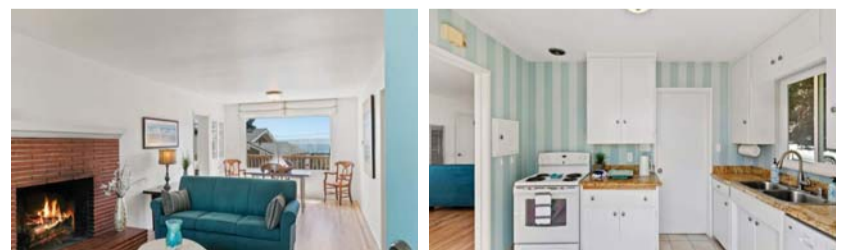
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POLICE LOG

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THURSDAY, JUNE 10

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Theft on San Antonio south of Seventh.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person found a gift card valued at \$50 on the sidewalk in front of the post office. The gift card will be placed in safekeeping pending contact with the owner. Finder would like to claim the card if no owner is contacted.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 35-year-old male at Mission and Ninth was cited for driving with a license suspended for DUI. Vehicle stored.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A citizen assist at Guadalupe and Fourth for ID verification. This was requested by the courts due to a jury summons received in the mail. The recipient was confirmed as not an American citizen.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male reported losing his wallet while visiting Carmel Beach.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: 5150 W&I hold [danger to self or others] at Monterey and Second.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury traffic

accidents on Ocean Avenue at 1814 and 1941 hours.

Pacific Grove: Theft of a bicycle on Eighth Street. No surveillance or suspect info.

Pacific Grove: Suspicious circumstances reported on David Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Responded to a pharmacy on 15th Street for a report of a fraudulent prescription.

Pacific Grove: A wallet was found at Berwick Park and brought into the PGPD lobby. Attempts were made to contact the owner, with negative results. Phone message was left.

Pacific Grove: Welfare check on a possible suicidal subject on Lighthouse.

FRIDAY, JUNE 11

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 36-year-old male was arrested on Lower Trail for evading police officers, resisting arrest, reckless driving and warrants. Vehicle collision after vehicle pursuit. He was booked into Monterey County Jail on numerous charges, including felony evading arrest with disregard for safety, obstruction, hit-and-run, possession of paraphernalia and burglary tools, and outstanding warrants for being a felon in possession of a

firearm and ammunition.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Residential burglary on Casanova north of Eighth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of four juveniles drinking alcohol on the beach. Two suffered from alcohol poisoning.

Pacific Grove: Report of a voluntary missing person on Jewell. Subject was located shortly after the report was made.

Pacific Grove: Firearms surrender by a Sinex resident.

Pacific Grove: Theft from a vehicle on Eardley. No surveillance or suspect info.

Pacific Grove: Non-injury collision involving a parked vehicle and stop sign on Grand Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Theft of a bike from a carport on Arkwright. No surveillance or suspects.

Carmel area: A male was involved in a vehicle pursuit and fled on foot from law enforcement. Male was located, and it was discovered he had burglarized a home while fleeing from law enforcement.

Pebble Beach: Hotel guests on Cypress Drive reported the theft of jewelry.

SATURDAY, JUNE 12

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A disabled person

parking placard was found on Scenic Road and brought to the police department for safekeeping.

Pacific Grove: Report of a dogfight on Ocean View Boulevard where one dog bit the other. Report taken for informational purposes.

SUNDAY, JUNE 13

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Physical fight at a business on San Carlos north of Seventh at 0120 hours. Parties were separated and no charges were pursued. Incident documented.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Intoxicated subject walked away from family members and was unable to be located. Subject was later located within city limits and reunited with family.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officers counseled a couple on Rio Road involved in a verbal dispute over parenting and miscellaneous relationship issues. Checked welfare of children and provided resources.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lost purse on the beach

Pacific Grove: Trespassing reported on Sunset Drive.

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GAVEL

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reported that he had come home to his residence and found it burglarized. Investigation revealed that the defendant gained access through the garage.

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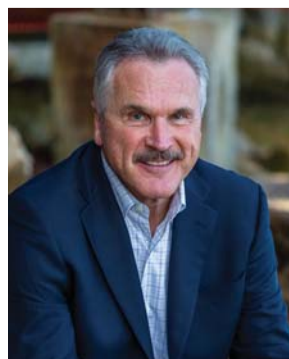


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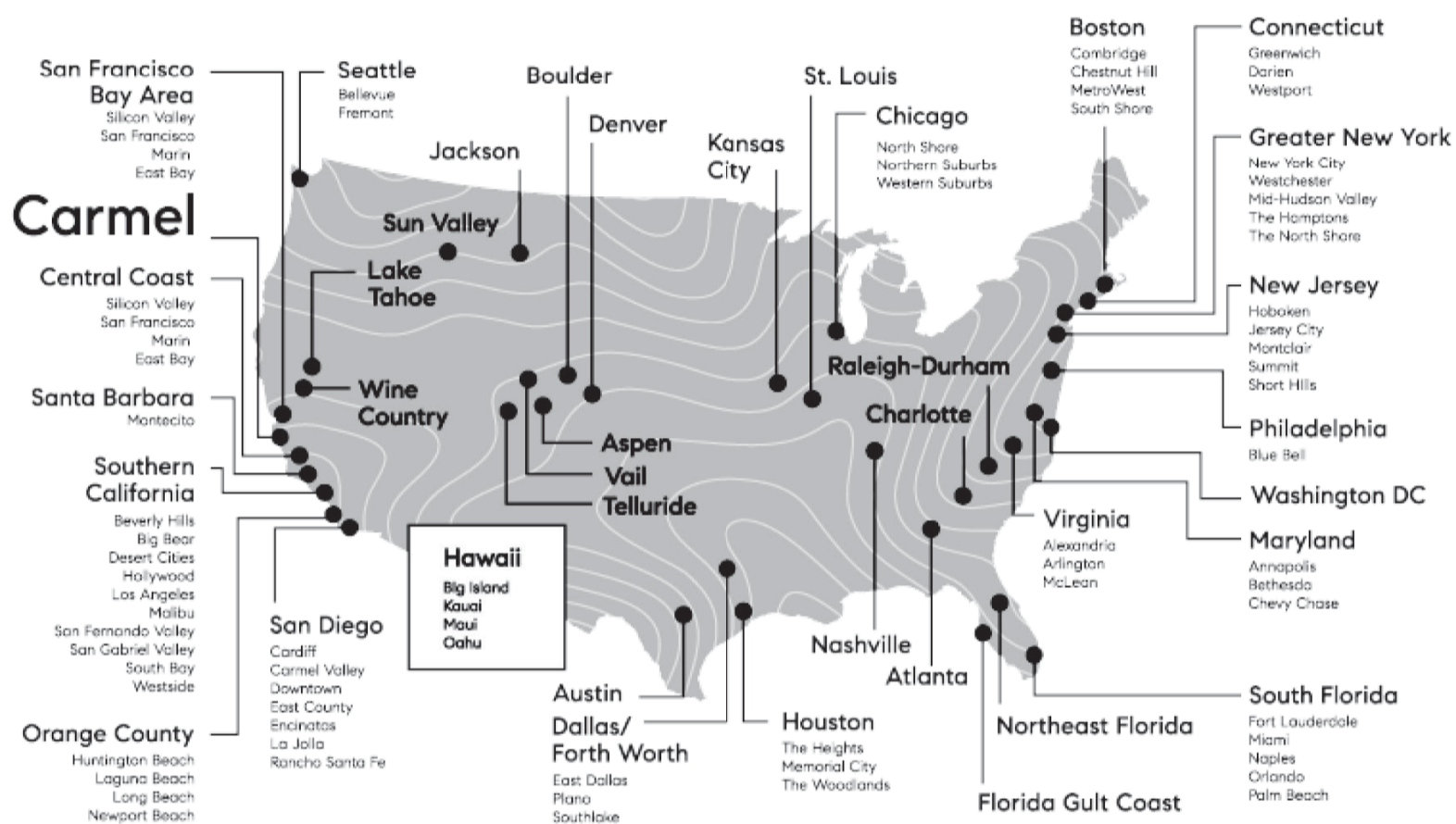
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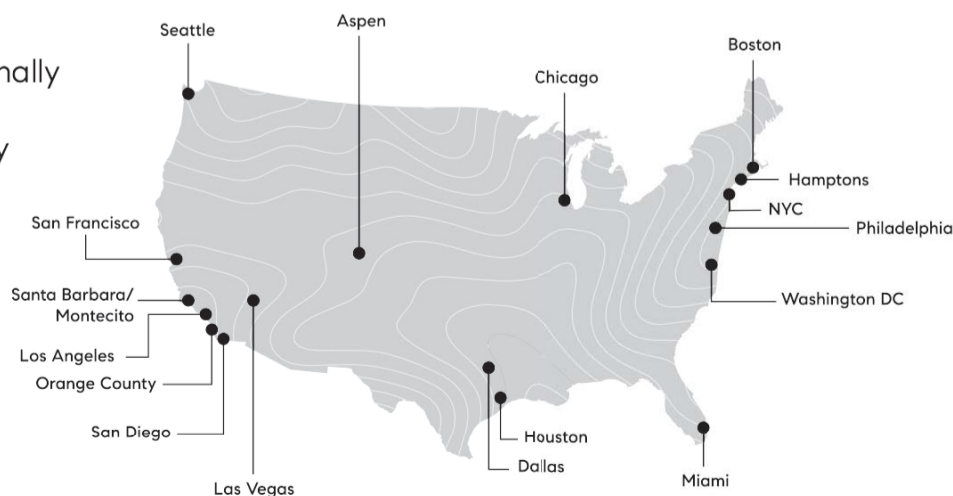
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GERVASE

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than 20 feet high into icy cold water up to 60 feet deep. But those places were only destinations. It was the journey that mattered. Streaming down the road with the top down and the quarter glass side vent windows open, well, let me tell you, Bucko, keep your ukulele, your dog and your Frisbee — the Buick convertible was the ultimate babe magnet. It is fun now to think of myself as devastatingly handsome, but the car was what attracted the girls. Apparently logic and reason took flight at the sight of that summer chariot.

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36 Portola Avenue — \$790,000

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638 Lighthouse Avenue — \$825,000

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Filmore Street — \$1,090,000

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APN: 001-139-011

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APN: 001-084-015

417 Alvarado Street — \$4,500,000

Golden State Theater Property LLC to
Monterey Historical Development LLC
APN: 001-573-006



24439 San Juan Road, Carmel — \$2,750,000



407 Oso d'Oro Court, Highway 68 — \$3,200,000

Pacific Grove

608 Sage Court — \$825,000

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Pacific Grove (con't.)

513 Crocker Avenue — \$2,034,500

Kenneth and Fatijah Clark to Crocker Ave 2021 LLC
APN: 006-581-001

Pebble Beach

1012 San Carlos Road — \$600,000

Allen Herd to Malcolm Colvin
APN: 007-282-004

90 Ocean Pines Lane — \$900,000

Leslie Roemmer to Tudor and Ana Maria Antoniu
APN: 008-583-034

1145 Wildcat Canyon Road — \$1,653,500

Behnaz Roshanipour and Afshin Eftekhari to
Amy Wilson and Paul Schwartz
APN: 007-442-011

Seaside

1637 Del Monte Blvd. unit B — \$400,000

Honey & Vinegar Real Estate LLC to Rudy Canchola
APN: 011-551-002

1372 Vallejo Street — \$621,000



2035 Baldwin Court, Seaside — \$875,000

Eric Lagerstrom to Cui Wu
APN: 012-293-014

1771 Luzern Street — \$625,000

Celso Aviles to Donnell Jones
APN: 012-785-010

1637 Darwin Street — \$715,000

Juan Curiel to David Martin
APN: 012-711-002

2 Lysette Court — \$795,000

Robert Ward to Herair Arestagesian
APN: 012-016-056

1643 Sierra Street — \$826,000



513 Crocker Avenue, Pacific Grove — \$2,034,500

Casey Reamer to Tanja Roos
APN: 012-413-010

2035 Baldwin Court — \$875,000

Randall Fuller to Noreen Towers
APN: 011-473-029

Salinas

20180 Spence Road — \$5,950,000

Monterey Holding Co. Inc. to Byberry Holding Co. Inc.
APN: 137-121-006

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From page 12RE

Pacific Grove: Subject on Ransford was placed on a mental health hold.

Pacific Grove: A citizen brought a cat into the lobby to inquire about owner information.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report taken for a found watch at Lincoln and Eighth.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle towed from Ocean View due to a 72-hour parking violation.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a report of suspicious circumstances on Calle de la Ventana.

MONDAY, JUNE 14

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Unauthorized access to private residential property at Ocean and Torres with no reasonable explanation. Confronted by homeowner prior to leaving. No access to home or loss of property. Investigation ongoing.

Pacific Grove: Dispatched after report of a burglary to a residence on Brentwood Court. No suspect information.

Pacific Grove: At about 2110 hours, officers were dispatched to a Congress Avenue residence on a report of a peace disturbance. It was determined the 31-year-old female on scene had an active felony no-bail warrant, and she was placed under arrest. Subject was transported to the Monterey County Jail on felony charges of assault with a deadly weapon not a firearm, assault with a deadly weapon possible of causing great bodily injury, and use of a firearm.

Big Sur: Commercial burglary on Highway 1.

Carmel area: Online report of vandalism on High Meadow Drive.

Carmel area: Trevis Way resident reported battery over illegal construction.

Carmel area: Deputies responded after report of a domestic dispute on Meadows Road.

TUESDAY, JUNE 15

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A check was found at Junipero and Sixth and brought to the police station for safekeeping.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Wallet was found and surrendered to the police department for safekeeping.

Pacific Grove: Dispatched to a possible medical issue at a residence on Junipero. Victim was declared deceased and released to the coroner's office.

Pacific Grove: Subject on Shell Avenue reported fraudulent circumstances.

Pacific Grove: Unlocked bicycle taken from the porch of an apartment on Lighthouse.

Pacific Grove: Theft of vehicle parts on Lighthouse.

Pacific Grove: Ammunition was turned in by a Sinex resident for destruction. No further information.

Pacific Grove: Towed an abandoned vehicle on Lighthouse.



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