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CHS grad opens health clinic in Senegal

By CHRIS COUNTS

SPENDING MUCH of the year in the poorest part of the African country of Senegal, 1980 Carmel High School graduate Jill Diallo has gone to extraordinary lengths to make birth safer for the women and adolescent girls who live there.

With the twin goals of improving birthing conditions

and contributing to the education and empowerment of women who often possess neither, Diallo founded the Senegal Health Institute in 2012 and opened a birthing center in the country in September.

The group, which relies on donations from the United States and Europe, offers prenatal care to local wom-

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PHOTOS/COURTESY JILL DIALLO

Carmel High School graduate Jill Diallo (at far right) opened Senegal Health Institute in 2012 so she could make giving birth safer in the African country. She's here visiting and fundraising before returning to Senegal in February.



Covid cases steady here as Europe sees surge

Health officer declines to weigh in on mask mandate

By MARY SCHLEY

AMID WORRIES about a winter Covid surge and with cases zooming in Europe and other parts of the world despite high vaccination levels, the rate of new infections in Monterey County remained stable this week, hospitalizations continued to decline, and the death rate is low.

In light of that, Monterey County health officer Dr. Ed Moreno in a conference call with media Wednesday declined to even weigh in on whether the board of supervisors' mask mandate — which was suspended Nov. 16 but is set to be discussed again Dec. 8 — should be put back into effect.

"The health department has issued a recommendation that people when they're indoors wear a face covering regardless of vaccination status," he said Wednesday. Despite further prompting, he would not say whether that recommendation should become an order.

What a difference

A year ago, when no one could get vaccinated against the virus, Monterey County was seeing more than 300 new Covid cases every day. Now, with 75 percent of residents who are 5 or older at least partially vaccinated, the rate is a quarter that. The lowest infection rates are among residents who are 65 and older, the most vulnerable population at the outset of the pandemic.

Also on Wednesday, Moreno didn't say whether he anticipates a surge in coronavirus cases over the winter but noted the risk of catching Covid and other respiratory illnesses, including the flu, increases this time of year. "So

See COVID page 10A

EIR FOR TIN CANNERY HOTEL RUNS INTO SNAGS

By CHRIS COUNTS

PUTTING THE brakes on a plan to transform the American Tin Cannery into a 225-room hotel, the Pacific Grove Planning Commission voted 4-2 Nov. 18 not to approve the EIR for it.

Commissioners who voted, "No," said they were concerned over the size of the hotel, its noise impacts on harbor seals and the number of trees that would be cut down to make way for construction.

Two commissioners who supported the hotel were enthusiastic about finally putting its valuable and highly visible site to good use.

See HOTEL page 12A

Surveys to begin on quality of 911 service

By MARY SCHLEY

IF YOU ever wished you could fill out a survey about your conversation with a local 911 dispatcher, your prayers have been answered.

Starting Dec. 1, Monterey County will be the first county in the state to provide surveys to people who dialed 911 so they can provide feedback on their experiences talking to call takers or dispatchers in the Monterey County Emergency Communications center. Last year, the department received approximately 710,000 phone calls and processed 520,000 calls for service for law enforcement,

See 911 page 27A

Supe: Should schools just be for college-bound?

Mascot, stadium lights also on agenda

By MARY SCHLEY

WRAPPING UP his fifth month on the job, Carmel Unified School District Superintendent Ted Knight this week pinpointed areas he thinks the district can improve and said a couple of hot-button issues — the Carmel High School mascot and the stadium lights proposed for the football field there — are moving toward resolution.



Ted Knight

He also praised the district's faculty and staff as being some of the best in education.

"During the interview process, everyone told me the strength of Carmel is in the staff, and I absolutely believe that," he said this week from Colorado, where he's visiting his wife and son for the Thanksgiving holiday. He was hired in

May and started his \$270,000-per-year job July 1.

Overall, Knight — who has worked in education for more than two decades, holding administrative positions at the elementary, middle, high school, and central office levels — said he's been impressed by his reception here and people's willingness to help him get to know the district and the broader community.

"We have a wonderful school board who I believe 100 percent are in this for the right reasons," he said. "They love their community and their school district, and that has been refreshing. That has not been the case everywhere."

In addition to conducting business as his job dictates, Knight said he's spent the past few months assessing his new home.

"Obviously, coming into a district, any new superintendent wants to spend time listening and building relationships," he said. But he's also had to take on a couple of issues about which some in the community feel passionately.

One headliner is the proposal to install lights at Carmel High School's athletic field so it can be used after dark

See SUPE page 14A

500 artworks from students go on display



Saturday in Carmel Valley Village, the Art & Wine Walk will be heavy on the art, with more than 500 pieces on display from local school kids. And some of them even like being hugged by their sisters. See page 18A.

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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Warm heart, cold feet

HAZEL PLAYS well with kids, is gentle with kitties and loves to cavort with other canines, but she wasn't always that way. When her people adopted the 4-month-old pit bull-boxer mix, she was too timid to interact with anyone.

They got the dog from Rocket Dog Rescue, a San Francisco Bay area organization run by volunteers dedicated to rescuing dogs from overcrowded shelters.

"Hazel was the only dog at the adoption event that didn't want anything to do with us, so we said, 'That's the one,'" one of her people recalled. "I worried she'd be a liability since you hear so much about pit bull trauma, but she was so shy, so gentle."

Eight years later, Hazel's the most mellow, loving dog they've ever had.

"Actually, we've always gone for macho dogs – a Rottweiler, Doberman, and now a pit bull-boxer," her person said. "And they've all been such pansies."

Hazel and her people live on Potrero Hill in San Francisco, but they've been making an annual pilgrimage to Carmel for years, returning to Carmel



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"We pretty much come to Carmel for Hazel," her person said. "She loves all the welcoming shops, galleries and restaurants, and knows which ones have her favorite treats. She also likes to join us at the Cypress Inn for drinks."

Recently, when the trio was in town, they chose to dine outside under a heater at Grasing's. Hazel wasn't down with the cold flooring, so the server quickly retrieved a dog mat for her. And, while Grasing's doesn't provide a doggie menu, they did bring Hazel her own serving of chicken, presented on a white platter.

Hazel also enjoys spinning circles in the sand at Carmel Beach, romping with other dogs, and running in and out of the waves, but don't expect her to swim in that cold water.

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SECOND COMMUNITY MEETING PLANNED FOR CARMEL RESORT INN OVERHAUL

By MARY SCHLEY

ANYONE WHO wants to hear more about the plan to turn the aging Carmel Resort Inn into a posh boutique hotel and eight single-family homes — and those who want to share their opinions and provide feedback about it — will have the chance to do so at the second community meeting on the project hosted by Eric Miller Architects. The “community presentation” is set for Thursday, Dec. 16, at 5 p.m. in Carpenter Hall in Sunset Center at Mission and Ninth.

Plans, which have been revised significantly since city officials last weighed in on them, call for making the hotel on Carpenter Street between First and Second look more like houses than lodging units so it will better fit in with the surrounding residential area.

Eight new single-family houses would front on the Guadalupe Street side of the nearly block-size property.

The last time anyone saw drawings for the proposed Carmel Resort Inn redo was at the forest and beach commission, which in February approved the removal of two dozen trees but required the planting of nearly 60 new ones. Plans for a pool and other amenities have since been abandoned.

Miller presented a revised concept at a meeting at La Playa Oct. 7 to seek feedback from neighbors — and said afterward he received “some excellent input that was

very helpful” and answered a lot of questions about capacity, parking, traffic and water.

Miller will share details again at the Dec. 16 meeting, which is intended to gather information from the broader community.

Bleak past

While Miller recently described the current Carmel Resort Inn as “a fleabag hotel,” its condition is considerably better than it was four years ago, when the property was practically abandoned and embroiled in a legal fight over its ownership.

In 2017, the bedraggled inn garnered complaints from the city’s code enforcement officer and other agencies while it sat unused, with piles of trash strewn throughout the cracked parking lot, boarded-up buildings — including one that had caught fire the previous fall — overturned furniture and overgrown weeds. Officials complained about workers illegally digging up a sewer line and the owner’s failure to acknowledge and follow federal rules regarding asbestos.

In 2018, after a considerable cleanup effort, the inn was leased and reopened, and has been operating more or less steadily ever since.

According to Monterey County property records, the inn’s former owner, Pebble Beach resident Tong Kim, sold it for \$8.1 million to Hitesh Desai and Mohammad Rezai in early February 2019.

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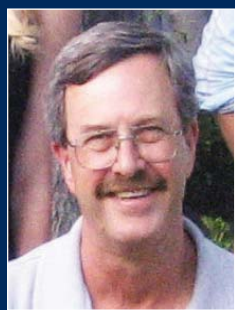
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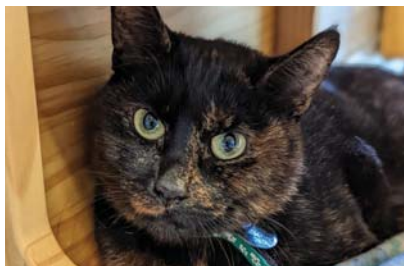
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Police & Sheriff's Log

Anyone seen a bride in her undies?

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.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Carmel area: Deputies conducted a welfare check on Loma del Rey.

Pacific Grove: Report of unauthorized use of a photo on social media on Ripple.

Pacific Grove: Unknown male used a marker to vandalize the library window on Central. The marker was able to be erased.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 24-year-old male was arrested at Ocean and Highway 1 for DUI at 0111 hours. Cited and released.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Hit-and-run traffic collision on Dolores Street.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Attempted burglary on Guadalupe north of Mountain View.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a lost wedding ring and band.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: DUI arrest of a

58-year-old female on Camino del Monte at 1452 hours.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Cell phone left outside on Dolores north of Sixth and taken by an unknown subject. No suspect information at this time.

Pacific Grove: Non-injury collision with a fixed object on Sunset Drive at 0106 hours. Property damage only.

Pebble Beach: Deputies responded to a domestic violence incident on 17 Mile Drive. One party, a 40-year-old female, was arrested.

Pacific Grove: Police were dispatched to a crying child at a hotel on Asilomar at 0209 hours. A 38-year-old male parent was arrested for endangerment, possession of drugs and paraphernalia. Child was cared for until a family member took custody.

Pacific Grove: Dog at large on Lincoln.

Pacific Grove: Subject on Eardley fell, sustaining injury, and was transported to the hospital by ambulance.

Pacific Grove: Family dispute on Ripple over missing money. Information only.

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in the Real Estate Section



The gavel falls

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

Sept. 14 — The Honorable Rafael Vazquez sentenced Jennifer Nicole Razo, 40, a resident of Pacific Grove, to 40 years in prison for attempted murder.

In the early morning hours of Aug. 18, 2020, Razo went to the bakery where her husband worked in Pacific Grove. She hid in the parking lot with a pistol, waiting for a co-worker of her husband whom she suspected was his lover. Razo brought headphones to listen to music while she waited.

When the victim pulled up, Razo walked to her car door and shot her point blank in the face through the window. The victim survived that gunshot. Razo tried to shoot her again, but the gun jammed. Razo then pulled the victim out of the car and pistol-whipped her in the face where she had shot her, as well as elsewhere on her body. The victim managed to escape into the bakery and lock the doors.

Razo tried to pursue her into the bakery but could not get in. She then got into the victim's car and shot the center console before police arrived. She engaged in an hour-long standoff with police before they successfully took her into custody.

She pled no contest to attempted murder

and admitted enhancements for personally inflicting great bodily injury and intentionally discharging a firearm. Attempted murder qualifies as a "super strike" under California's three strikes law. She also pled no contest to shooting at an occupied motor vehicle, two counts of assault with a semi-automatic firearm, kidnapping, and unlawful firearm activity. Her convictions in this case constitute a total of five strikes under California's three strikes law.

Sept. 20 — After a three-day jury trial, Bradley Birnbaum, 36, was found guilty of Penal Code 273.6, violation of a court order. On Sept. 21, 2017, Jane Doe 1 obtained a three-year domestic violence restraining order against the defendant. Among other things, the defendant was ordered not to contact Doe 1 or Jane Doe 2, their 11-year-old daughter, and not to come within 100 yards of their residence, vehicle, work, school, etc. The court gave Doe 1 full custody of Doe 2 and ordered that the defendant have no visitation rights until Doe 2 was 18 years old or the order was modified.

On Sept. 7, 2020, the defendant went to

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Stabbing suspect remains in jail, yet to enter plea in rec trail case

By MARY SCHLEY

DANIEL HARDIN, the 29-year-old homeless man accused of randomly stabbing someone on the highly traveled recreation trail in Pacific Grove Nov. 15, remained in Monterey County Jail this week and has made two court appearances via video, but has yet to enter a plea in the case against him.



Daniel Hardin

He's also set to face a jury next month in a misdemeanor battery case in which he also brandished a knife.

Several hours after the Nov. 15 attack, the Pacific Grove Police Department issued a press release indicating it occurred shortly

after 6 p.m. "in the area" of the rec trail and the American Tin Cannery. Police also released a grainy photo captured from surveillance video of the dark-haired, bearded man they believed committed the crime.

The following night, officers found Hardin in a residential area near the Pacific Grove golf course and arrested him for assault with a deadly weapon and took him to Monterey County Jail. While confirming that the victim of the stabbing seemed to have been chosen at random, Pacific Grove P.D. kept secret many crucial details, including not only the name and hometown of the victim, but also his/her gender and age, the type of weapon that was used and

where the suspect obtained it.

According to Monterey County Superior Court records, Hardin has been charged with a felony for stabbing Erwin DeJesus with a knife, causing great bodily injury.

Last week, PGPD reported the victim was hospitalized with injuries that were not life-threatening.

This week, police spokeswoman Shayla Hoffman said she had "no additional information at this time" when asked about the condition of the victim, motive for the attack and any other details that could shed light on the random stabbing or help members of the public learn about protecting themselves or assess how the department handled the crime.

Public defenders

Hardin, meanwhile, appeared in front of Monterey County Superior Court Judge Julie Culver via video from jail on Nov. 18, when he was appointed a public defender, Alex Cardinale, and again on Nov. 22, when he was represented by attorney David Johnson, who made a special appearance on his behalf. Hardin's arraignment was delayed again to Dec. 6, and he remained in jail this week on \$95,000 bail.

Hardin's misdemeanor case for battery and threatening the victim with a knife stems from an incident on Fremont Boulevard in Seaside in June. In the complaint filed Aug. 24 by the DA in that case, Hardin battered "John Doe" and brandished a knife "in a rude, angry and threatening manner, and did use a deadly weapon in a fight and quarrel." The case is supposed to go to a jury trial in December.

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Attorney questions mental health of man who shot father to death

By MARY SCHLEY

THE MAN convicted in April of shooting and killing his father after they fought over a car is mentally incompetent, according to his attorney.

Salinas attorney Tara Higgins, who had been preparing to seek a new trial based on allegations that one of the jurors slept through parts of the two-week court proceedings last spring, submitted a letter Nov. 19 asking the Monterey County Superior Court clerk to add her “defense declaration of doubt re: competency per PC 1368” to Judge Mark Hood’s calendar.

According to that California Penal Code section, if at any point before, during or after the adjudication of a case, “counsel informs the court that he or she believes the defendant is or may be mentally incompetent, the court shall order that the question of the defendant’s mental competence is to be determined in a hearing.”

Shooting, chase

The murder occurred at a barn off Laureles Grade that had been converted into

small living spaces for people who would otherwise be homeless, some of whom were there when it happened, according to testimony during the trial.

As they argued over a car, he “produced a handgun and shot his father multiple times in the hand, arm and head,” and the older man died within minutes. Sampognaro then fled in his father’s black Corvette, and when deputies tried to stop him, he took off toward Carmel, hitting speeds of 100 mph and crossing over the center line on Carmel Valley Road. The chase finally ended when one of the deputies used his patrol car to ram the Corvette, which crashed into the stone wall of a house off the highway in the Highlands area.

Assuming Higgins’ request to discuss her client’s mental health Dec. 2 is granted by the judge, while Sampognaro is evaluated, all criminal proceedings, including motions for a new trial or sentencing, would be suspended.

He remains in Monterey County Jail, where he’s been since his Sept. 12, 2020 arrest. If the conviction stands, Sampognaro, 33, faces up to 54 years in prison.

Seaside offers coffee with a cop

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE BUTTER House restaurant at 1760 Fremont Blvd. in Seaside will be the place to go Saturday, Dec. 11, for anyone who wants to ask a local police officer a question.

Coffee with a Cop will run from 9 to 11 a.m., and “all community members are invited to attend, ask questions, voice concerns and learn more about the Seaside Police Department and our officers,” according to the City of Seaside. The police

department will be buying the coffee.

Seaside P.D. will also collect donations of new and used shoes at the event, and residents are encouraged to contribute.

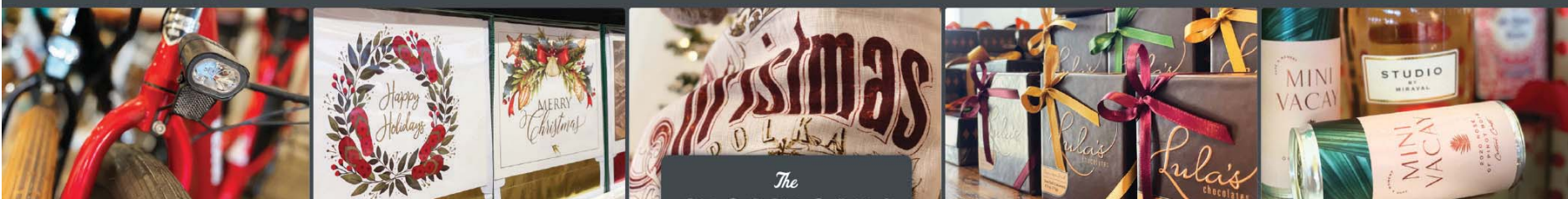
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DA sues D'Arrigo over pesticides

By MARY SCHLEY

THE MONTEREY County District Attorney's Office sued D'Arrigo Bros. produce growers in Superior Court Friday for failing to care for field workers who were sickened by pesticides in July 2019.

The suit seeks not only to forbid the company from repeating the offense, but tens of thousands of dollars in penalties, as well.

According to the complaint filed by deputy district attorneys Emily Hickok and Mirco Haag, on July 20, 2019, an irrigation crew employed by the ag company "developed symptoms of pesticide exposure, including vomiting, nausea, dizziness, eye irritation and headaches, as well as other symptoms."

The county's agricultural commissioner investigated the incident and referred the case to the DA's office as a "priority investigation," because members of the irrigation crew were hospitalized as a result of the exposure, according to the suit.

No doctor visits

Even though the workers were sick, the district attorneys allege, their employer failed "to immediately take each and every

employee to a physician when there were reasonable grounds to suspect that each such employee had a pesticide illness and when an exposure to a pesticide occurred that might reasonably be expected to lead to an employee's illness," in violation of the California Code of Regulations.

Hickok and Haag also allege that over at least the past two years, the grower failed to maintain training records for its employees and misused the pesticide container — further violating the code — and over the last four years "engaged in certain unlawful, unfair and fraudulent practices" that gave it an edge over its competitors.

The DA's office asks the court to prevent the company from repeating the alleged wrongdoing and to assess penalties of at least \$1,000 but no more than \$10,000 "for each and every applicable violation" involving the workers' care, training and use of pesticide containers, and \$2,500 for each violation of the Business and Professions Code, which covers unfair competition.

The county prosecutors also want D'Arrigo to pay for the costs of the suit, including the investigation.

E-mails to the produce company were not returned.

Elks aid student access to Point Lobos

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE MONTEREY Elks Lodge last month donated \$3,500 to the Point Lobos Foundation, with the money going to help school kids visit the reserve and participate in docent-led walks along its trails.

According to Melissa Gobell, docent coordinator and school group coordinator for Point Lobos, state parks offers a school outreach program designed to bring fourth-graders from poorer school districts in the county to a reserve they might not

otherwise get a chance to visit.

During the pandemic when school trips weren't possible, the foundation paid for transportation and entrance fees so families could visit on their own.

"Although field trips to Point Lobos were put on hold for the past year, we will resume them when safe to do so," she said.

The foundation program at Point Lobos typically serves around 2,000 students each year, according to Gobell, and the grant from the Monterey Elks will help pay for it.

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NOAA building not for sale yet — giving COAST activists hope

By CHRIS COUNTS

THOSE WHO want to turn the former NOAA Fisheries Service building in Pacific Grove into a “resource center of ocean art, science and technology” are celebrating the news that, at least for now, the large box-shaped building won’t become somebody else’s holiday gift.

That’s because the fisheries service has decided not to put the building up for sale until at least spring 2022. For backers of the plan to create the center, that’s a positive development that “gives us time to generate more support,” said Ken Parker, one of five steering committee members of COAST, which stands for Center for Ocean Art, Science and Technology.

Congressman helps out

Parker credited Congressman Jimmy Panetta with helping to keep the building off the market. Panetta sent a letter to NOAA in May expressing his support for the idea of turning the building into a science and art center. He wants to see a local group take over the building and put it to good use.

“With our urging, Congressman Panetta reached out to NOAA, which is now requiring a historical and cultural resources review to ensure compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act before any sale or transfer of the property,” reported Parker, a local oceanographer and fine art photographer.

Located a block from the town’s iconic lighthouse, legendary tide pools and busy walking path, the building was in the news in 2008 when NOAA unveiled artist Ray Troll’s 400-foot-long marine-themed mural that now adorns it. The effort cost taxpayers \$120,000. The building also made headlines in 2010, when the federal agency annoyed neighbors by installing six outside

lights mounted atop 25-foot poles without getting any permits — supposedly to deter mountain lions.

Grassroots effort begins

The effort to turn the building into a multifaceted marine center began in 2012 when the Pacific Grove City Council passed a resolution requesting a “public benefit conveyance” for the property. More recently, a petition endorsing the idea was signed by more than 700 people and backed by the town’s mayor and chamber of commerce. “There’s really no better use for the building,” Parker told The Pine Cone.

COAST was founded by art gallery owner and playwright Steve Hauk, museum consultant Darcie Fohrman and Cornell University science professor Charles Greene. The three are on its steering committee, along with Parker and marine biologist Vicki Pearce. When the group formed, it presented its vision for the site.

“With the right vision, we propose that the building ... could be transformed into an environmentally appropriate public work space and art gallery, enabling the convergence of cutting-edge marine scientific and technological innovation with ocean-inspired art and virtual reality,” their statement read.

In 1952, the U.S. Navy bought the 4.5-acre site and put up the three-story building as an air interceptor training facility for Navy pilots and ground personnel. “The fortress-like building had no windows and was designed to resist the forces of an atomic bomb,” Parker said.

The building was deactivated in 1963 and became a weather station for NOAA until 1974. It was used for various Navy-related purposes until 1989, when it was renovated. But it was deactivated by 1994, and the following year, it was transferred to NOAA.

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COVID

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it's really important to get vaccinated and wear face coverings in indoor public settings," he said. Frequent hand-washing is also critical.

And while those who've caught Covid in the past may develop some immunity, it's important they get inoculated, anyway, Moreno confirmed.

"We still recommend that everyone get the vaccine, even if they've had a Covid infection," he said.

Citing inconsistent data from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control that triggered the county's mask mandate Nov. 5, the board of supervisors less than two weeks later

decided to suspend the order to give Moreno time to develop more reliable metrics relying on county data.

Even this week, the CDC reported new cases at 78, compared with the county's own figure of 49. The rate of new infections here has been declining for two weeks.

When 5th District Supervisor Mary Adams joined supervisors John Phillips and Chris Lopez in suspending the mask rule due to the CDC's unreliable figures, she emphasized the number of people she'd heard from who questioned the reliance on information from the feds.

"We should be looking at the local data and tie everything we do to the local data," she said.

But that doesn't mean people can't or shouldn't wear masks if they want to, Adams noted.



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HOTEL

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“My feeling is that someone is going to build a hotel here,” commissioner Bill Bluhm said. “The applicant has done an amazing amount of work to mitigate the noise problems. The project is very well done and attractive” — a comment commissioner Jeanne Byrne, who also voted in favor, agreed with.

But the other commissioners saw things differently — one after intending to vote “Yes.”

“It almost breaks my heart,” Mark Chakwin told his colleagues just before the vote. “This is a very appealing and beautiful project. But I will vote against this project, which is not how I came into this meeting.”

One of Chakwin’s chief objections was the removal of 79 trees, which he said, “feels like a scorched-earth policy.”

Also expressing concerns about trees was planning commissioner Donald Murphy, who said they provide substantial habitat to birds. Murphy also said he’s worried about the traffic the hotel would generate.

“I understand traffic studies say we’re

not in bad shape, but during summer afternoons, if you try to get down Central or Lighthouse near the project, it’s a mess,” Murphy said.

Planning commissioner Claudia Sawyer was another who voted against the plan. “I want a hotel at this site, and I appreciate what the developer has done, but the hotel is too massive,” Sawyer suggested.

She is concerned about the environmental impact of creating an underground garage, which would require removing 5,800 truckloads of earth.

Also brought up were worries that construction could impact burials or undiscovered cultural burial sites. Several suggested archaeological monitors be present during construction.

As for water, Pacific Grove city planner Rob Mullane cited a letter from Monterey Peninsula Water Management District general manager Dave Stoldt that indicates the site has an “adequate existing allocation,” and its use would cause no “further degradation of the Carmel River.”

Located at 25 Ocean View Blvd., the 5.6-acre site is home to a 165,000-square-foot factory outlet. Besides 225 rooms, the proposed hotel would include a restaurant, bar, spa and fitness center and about 20,000 square feet of retail space.



An architect’s rendering of the proposed hotel for the American Tin Cannery site in Pacific Grove.



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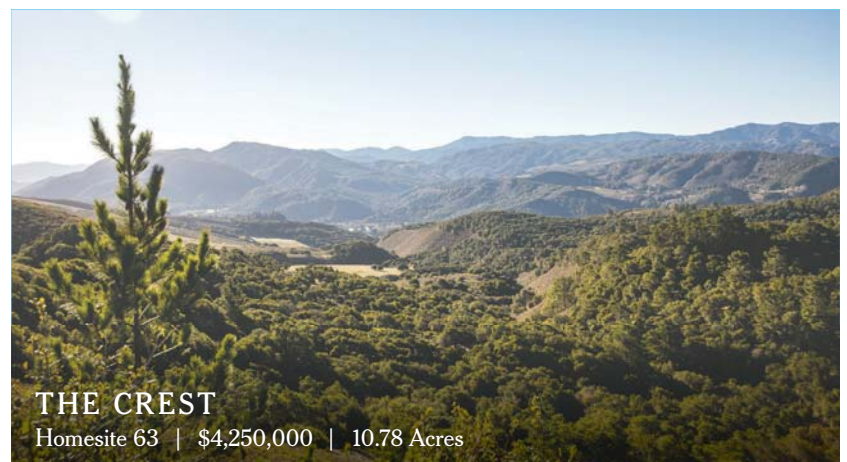
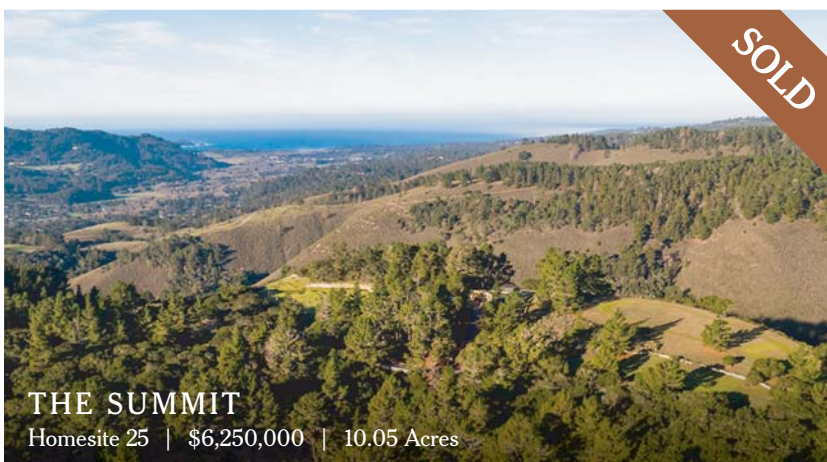
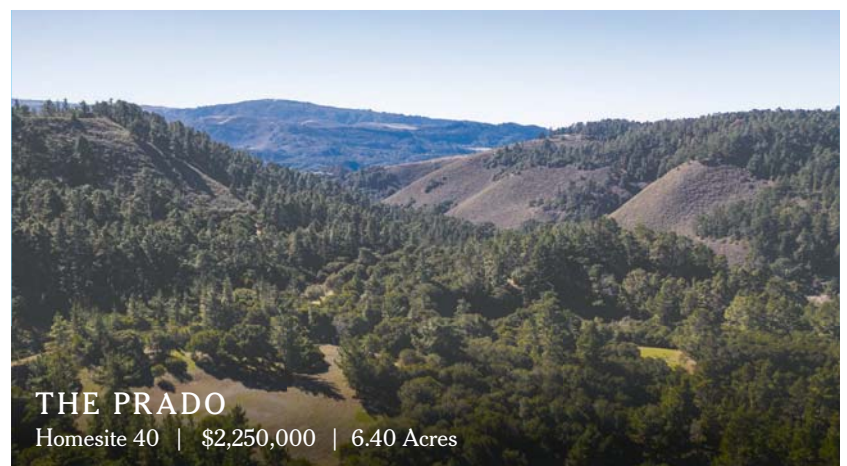
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— which will be important after a new law requiring later start times for middle- and high-school classes kicks in next year. The lights would also allow the school's football team to play home games on Friday nights instead of Saturday afternoons, which students say will boost school spirit

and participation. The field has been day-use only since the school opened in September 1943, and some nearby residents are concerned that crowds drawn to night games will exacerbate parking and traffic problems that already exist in the neighborhoods around the school. Many of them haven't been shy about raising those worries, as well as concerns about noise, trash left by teenagers, underage drinking and other issues, during public meetings on the lighting proposal,

and in letters to the district and to The Pine Cone.

Knight said he's holding another "listening session" on the lights soon but is hoping to avoid the us-vs.-them dynamic that often arises over issues people are passionate about.

"The draft EIR has been completed, and we are working to mitigate each and every concern we can, with the hope we can bring the final EIR back to the board in January," he said. "So far, there's really not a concern that we can't overcome," he added.

Knight said he wants students to have the best possible experience and to practice and play sports safely, but he'd like to improve the quality of life for the residents, too.

The appropriateness of Carmel High's longtime mascot, the Padre, has also been a topic of debate for the last couple of years, with a survey in April showing that more than 60 percent of community respondents want to keep it, while a smaller group insists it should be changed because it represents "oppression of a minority."

The topic is now in the hands of a committee that may or may not follow the survey results.

"I've attended the last two meetings, and I believe the committee is near making

a recommendation to the board on how to move forward," Knight said.

Not just college-bound

More important than lights at the football field or what the school's mascot is, Knight said the Carmel school district lacks what he calls an educational "strategic direction," and he wants to make sure the district's definition of success isn't too narrow.

"If you plan to go to a top-tier four-year college, there might not be a better high school than CHS to go to," he said. "But that's not every student's definition of success," and it's critical to ensure that all kids get the education they'll need for whatever career they choose, whether it requires college or not.

"How do we ensure they have the skills and education to succeed in their passion?" he asked. Answering that question requires buy-in and participation from parents and businesses, too.

"In a lot of communities, people — especially parents — have no problems admitting we need electricians or plumbers," he said, but they rarely envision their own kids becoming those tradespeople.

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Considering how important and significant the tourism industry is on the Peninsula, he added, perhaps the district could do a better job of preparing students who are interested in pursuing careers in hospitality, too.

The littles

Overall, Knight said, he’s pleased with all the district’s campuses and is particularly impressed with the programs for really young children in Cachagua, Carmel Val-

ley and Big Sur.

“What we do for the youngest students in the district is better than anywhere I’ve seen,” he said, not just the socialization and other basics, but the instruction and academics, even for the littlest ones.

“A lot of the time, people just send their kids to preschool to get socially adjusted, and I think we do a great job of that,” he said. “But we also have the academics.”

Finally, while staffing problems exist across many sectors, Knight said he isn’t seeing that at CUSD, which he described as possibly the best place to work in academics.

“We are actually probably up 30 to 40 employees over normal,” he said, thanks to taxpayer-funded pandemic relief that allowed the district to hire more instructional aides, contact tracers and other workers.

“Carmel is a great place to work, with a great culture,” he said. “For total compensation — salary and benefits — I think we have the best deal around, and this really is a destination district for employees. Coming to Carmel is ideal.”

BIG SUR’S LATEST CONDOR TAKES TO SKY

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE VENTANA Wildlife Society celebrated the news last week of the latest condor to take flight over Big Sur.

The VWS, which reintroduced the condor to Big Sur, noticed recently that a

condor chick, known as No. 1104, wasn’t in its nest, meaning it likely had fledged. In response, biologists Danaé Mouton and Evan McWreath investigated.

“Just this past week, Danaé and Evan were able to finally lay eyes on the recently fledged chick and capture some great pictures of No. 1104 flying around Big Sur,” the group reported.

McWreath explained how they found the young condor. “Danaé and I searched the canyon near the nest and were able to use his mom’s GPS data to give us an idea of where the chick might be, because the parents return to the chick to feed,” he said.

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en, along with family planning, counseling, contraceptives, education about STDs, breast exams, support for victims of domestic violence and nutritional advice — in a country where more than half of all babies are born without help from a doctor or nurse.

Diallo — who is married to a noted Senegalese drummer, Youssouf Diallo — decided to create the health center after visiting the country in 2009. It opened in 2012.

“I went on a trip with a bunch of midwives to work in a maternity hospital and deliver babies,” explained Diallo. “I ended up knowing that there was something bigger for me to do there, so I kept coming back, and eventually, I started a nonprofit.”

Diallo, who is back in Carmel for a couple of months, was struck by the obvious need in the region for birth control and education.

“They need access to modern contraception,” she said. “The girls really need mentors to help keep them in school — the only way they can escape poverty is to decide how many children to have.”

There’s little to be afraid of

Since birth control can be controversial among devout people, some might fear for Diallo’s well-being, especially since she’s working in a poor, mostly Islamic country. But she said there’s little to be afraid of.

“It’s definitely a Muslim country, but it’s so much more than that,” she told The Pine Cone. “It’s one of the safest countries in Africa. I don’t face danger on a regular basis — it’s safe for me there.”

The woman said the only real danger she has faced in Senegal was something she nearly stepped on but thankfully evaded. “I came within a foot-and-a-half of a spitting cobra,” she recalled.

Diallo said she’s received support and encouragement from the country’s authorities.

“The ministry of health has approved all my projects,”

she noted. “There’s not a lot of opposition — they’re ready for it. I’m the only American who has a clinic in the country. I’m respected there.”

So how did Diallo end up in Senegal? Her father was in the military, so her family traveled a lot. Her mother in particular had a great passion for seeing new places.

“My mom really loved teaching me about different cultures, and she was very adventurous,” she explained. “When I was 9, she asked me what I wanted for my birthday. I said I wanted to go to the Louvre and see the Mona Lisa. My mom made it happen — she arranged to have balloons and cake delivered to the museum, and arranged for the museum to open an hour early so we could be there by ourselves. That gave me the idea that I could do what I wanted to with my life.”

Her parents also taught her the value of selflessness. “My parents were both giving people,” she said. “They instilled in me to help others.”

Also, Diallo’s parents lived in Morocco before she was

born. “I grew up hearing stories about Africa,” she said, which made her more curious to explore the continent.


It’s worth it for change

Living in such primitive conditions can be a challenge at times, Diallo conceded. “It’s not easy living in an African country,” she explained. “I go without a lot. I live in the jungle and the heat. I work really hard to keep medical supplies in the birthing center. I work hard to keep it clean.”


But Diallo said it’s worth the effort because her work is making a difference.


“Birth can be brutal in developing countries,” she added. “We’re opening up a whole world of change.”

Diallo, who plans to return to Senegal in February, 2022 is raising money to hire another midwife — possibly two. She said the new birthing clinic is expecting to deliver up to 50 babies a month in the near future. For more details about the fundraiser, visit senegalhealth.org.



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Financial planner confines risk-taking to his own far-flung adventures

KEVIN MAHONEY once spent a summer fishing and seeing Alaska, working as many as 20 hours a day during salmon season. Another time, he was gassed and robbed while on a train through Europe. On yet another

uncommon for thieves to slip hoses into train compartments and pump in some sort of “sleeping gas” to knock out the passengers.

Mahoney said he was “young and dumb,” and when he got back on the train, he decided to “bait” potential thieves in an ill-conceived attempt to catch them in the act. Sure enough, he began to doze off and almost immediately heard his compartment door slide open. He lunged for a hand as it reached for his fanny pack — which he’d left within enticingly easy reach.

“I jumped up and tried to grab the guy’s arm. He reared back and threw the compartment door closed. I threw it open, and two guys flanked him; all three drew knives.” Mahoney said he shut the door and held it in place until they left — and he didn’t go back to sleep for the rest of the night.

Life-changing phone pole

After graduation, he decided to do some mountaineering. “The National Outdoor Leadership School was hosting an expedition through the Himalayas, which sounded like a good blend of adventure and adjustment to other cultures. It was both.” Avalanche notwithstanding, evidently.

And all of that was an unlikely beginning for someone who’s spent his career in the buttoned-up world of

Great Lives

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

adventure, the Carmel native and his comrades nearly lost their lives to a massive avalanche on the Pindari Glacier, 20,000 feet up in the Himalayas. As long as he could live to tell about it, though, this citizen of the world would do it all again.

The not-so-great train robbery occurred about 30 years ago, when Mahoney was in college at UC Santa Barbara and had the opportunity to travel through Europe. “I was on an overnight train heading to Warsaw,” he recalled, when he drifted off to sleep.

“I woke up and felt like I had the worst hangover of my life. I felt terrible. Then I quickly noticed that all my important belongings were gone,” he said. When he told others at his hotel what had happened, they told him it wasn’t



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Certified financial planner Kevin Mahoney brings a breadth of knowledge and interesting real-world experience to his clients.

finance. A lot of reading and research, paired with internship experience and a month-long training program, gave Mahoney his start, even though it wasn’t anything he had planned. Born and raised in Carmel, he attended All Saints Day School and graduated from Stevenson School before heading to Santa Barbara, where he spent two years at Santa Barbara City College before transferring to UC Santa Barbara.

“A curriculum of law, sociology, psychology and economics created a really good course of study for a guy like me, who didn’t know what I wanted to do. My first consideration was law, but after a couple of law classes, I knew that was not where I wanted to head.”

A flyer posted on a telephone pole near campus introduced Mahoney to his future. The sign, advertising a stock-picking (the Dow Jones sort) contest, intrigued him enough to enter. Although he can’t recall how well he did, it was enough to pique his interest in the field.

Yet, after three years at Dean Witter, he realized he didn’t want to be on the brokerage and commission side of finance.

“Everything I had done and learned at Dean Witter

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Art Walk returns to village, features student art display

By CHRIS COUNTS

CELEBRATING TWO popular local pastimes — making art and drinking wine — with kicking off the holiday season, the 14th annual Holiday Art and Wine Walk in Carmel Valley Village is set for Saturday, Nov. 27, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Besides showcasing shops throughout the village, the gathering also presents a gift fair at Blue Fox Cellars for artists, artisans and merchants who don’t have storefronts.

Blue Fox Cellars, which is located at 25 Pilot Road, will also be the site of an extensive display of art by local students. More than 500 pieces were submitted, including 350 from Tularcitos School and 100 from Carmel Middle School.

“Wait till you see the hundreds of pieces of fantastic art we have received from local students,” said Shelley Allioti of the Carmel Valley Art Association, which presents the yearly event. “The exhibit is going to be fabulous, and it is so uplifting to come at a time when we all need it — art is a way of healing.”

The pros, too

Also on display at Blue Fox Cellars is an art show, titled “A Masterful Art and Wine Pairing,” which features work by a trio of artists, illustrator Will Bullas and painters Shelley Ann Cost and Thomas Hawley.

Starting at 3:30 p.m., a plein air “paint-out” gets underway at the same site, with painters setting up their easels nearby. A reception follows, with live music by singer Pamela Forman and guitarist Bruce Forman.

Professional animator Jason Reisig will present a talk at 5 p.m. about his career at Blue Fox Cellars, which includes working for Dream Works Animation on movies like “Shrek,” “Atz,” “Kung Fu Panda,” “Madagascar” and others. Reisig is Allioti’s son.

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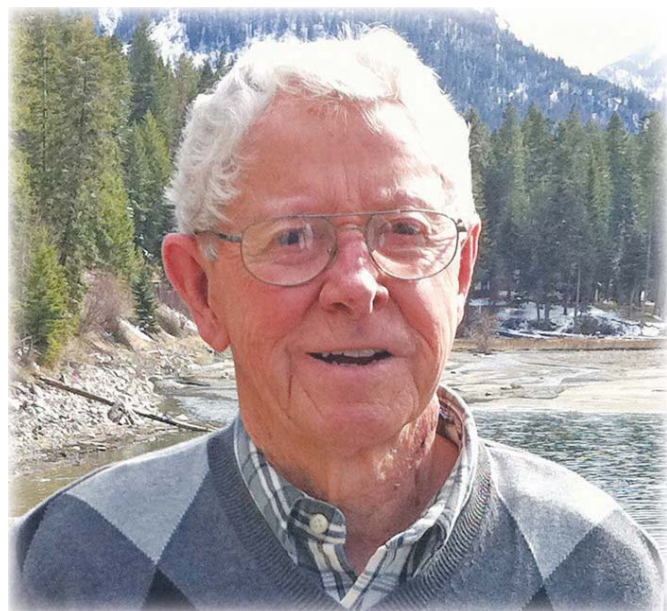
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FERGUS PATRICK TOBIN

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Fergus Patrick Tobin, beloved father, grandfather and great-grandfather, passed away in Monterey, California on November 16, 2021, at the age of 99.



Fergus was born in Victoria, Canada in 1922, to parents James and Elizabeth. He was the youngest of 5 children. The Tobin family moved to San Francisco in 1927, and this is where Fergus grew up. He attended UCLA on a soccer scholarship until Pearl Harbor was attacked. He enlisted in the Navy and patrolled the Atlantic aboard a PBV until WWII’s end, then returned to San Francisco to find and fall in love with Shirley Pierce. They were married for 35 years and together had 4 children. In 1980 Fergus and Shirley moved from the Bay Area to Carmel-by-the-Sea. Fergus was an International Salesman and Vice President for S. Blondheim & Co., an avid golfer, Jazz Society

member, and, most importantly, an incredible father and family man. He is preceded in death by his wife Shirley and son Scott. He is survived by his daughter Lana Whitham and her husband Cal, son Richard, and daughter Peggy Tobin and her husband Shane, grandchildren Brian Kertel, Travis Kertel, Charlotte Noto and Max Young, great grandchildren Isabella, Jaxon and Amaya, nieces Wendy Banks and Jane Sage, and nephew Patrick Burke.

Fergus lived an incredible life of love, travel, taking adventurous “short cuts” and “goofing off” while giving “Tobin Tours” to any family and friend. He will be so dearly missed ...

If you wish to donate, please contact Ave Maria Assisted Living of Monterey in Memory of Fergus. Their wonderful care for Fergus made the last of his 99 years very special.

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had been valuable, particularly because it helped me understand what I wanted to do and what I didn't. I knew I needed to understand what business platforms would be most helpful for clients," he said.

It's been 22 years, and Mahoney still interacts with brokerage houses, finding it helpful to know how they operate and how to speak the language, which gives him a context for investment advising and management and financial planning.

"One of the primary differences between the two sides of finance is that financial planning is a fee-only business, so it has no commissions. Also, as registered investment advisors, which are legal fiduciaries, we are legally bound to do what is in our clients' best interests," he explained.

'Constant puzzle'

For 10 years, Mahoney worked with Fisher Investments out of Woodside and then San Mateo, before moving to Integris Wealth Management a dozen years ago. He began his career there as a financial advisor and, in 2012, became a partner in the firm. He now serves as chief operating officer, as well.

"I still spend most of my time working with clients,

helping them with their financial planning matters," he said, "but I also spend a good portion of time overseeing the firm's Securities Exchange Commission compliance, technology, human resources and all of our client operations. It's a lot of different hats."

What intrigues Mahoney most about the field is that it's a constant puzzle. He enjoys figuring out how to help someone buy a first house, send kids to college, retire or manage sudden wealth. And, after 25 years in the business, he says he not only enjoys it, but he's devoted to adding value to the lives of others.

He also enjoys spending time with his wife, Lovina, and their four children — plus their Maltipoo, Chase — in their home near the Mission. In addition to visiting the beach and the mountains, he likes playing tennis at Camel Valley Athletic Club, where he got his first job at age 12, washing tennis courts at 6 a.m. And of course, he and Lovina love to travel.

Looking back down the paths that led him all over the world and through his career, Mahoney said he appreciates the wealth of experiences and life lessons he's gained along the way and looks forward to much more.

Know someone whose life of accomplishment or adventure would make interesting reading? Please suggest them for Great Lives by emailing elaine@carmelpinecone.com.



WALTER "WALT" LESLIE CONLEY
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Walter "Walt" Leslie Conley, 80, of Monterey, CA, lost his battle to Parkinson's on Friday, October 29, 2021, (his mother's birthday). He is survived by his wife, Marianne Conley; four children: Cathy (Bryan) Carley of North Plainfield, NJ, Leslie (Kevin) Even of Madison, WI, Caroline (Oscar) Estrada of O'Fallon, IL, Richard (Rebecca) Conley of Minneapolis, MN; 10 grandchildren: Bryan, Grace, Christopher, Dillon, Alexis, Alexandra, Araceli, Arianna, Genevieve, Quinn; two stepchildren: David (Meredith) Mogensen and Robin (Matthew) Richardson; his two sisters, Linda Conley and Cecelia Johnson and four nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Richard and Mildred Conley, his former wife Martha Conley and a granddaughter, Brianna Estrada.

Walt was born on February 15, 1941, in Honolulu, Hawaii a few months before the events of Pearl Harbor catapulted the US into WWII while his dad watched it all unfold from their window. Walt graduated from Punahou School (high school) in Honolulu in 1959 and from Colorado State in 1964. He accepted a US Army Commission and served in Germany where he met and married Martha Ann Blask (Conley) who was a teacher for The Department of Defense Schools. Walt earned his pilot's license while in the military, and at that point, his lifelong passion became a reality.

Work and life events took the family from Seattle, WA to Springfield, IL, and Minneapolis, MN where they settled and raised their children. He had several careers including management consultant and owning his own business working as an executive recruiter.

In 1994, Walt married Marianne Mogensen (Conley). Walt and Marianne had been "sweethearts" at Punahou School in Honolulu before they went their separate ways, each to start families of their own, only to be happily reunited later in life to start a new chapter together. Walt purchased the first Cirrus plane off the production line and ventured into sales for Cirrus to combine his passion for flying with work.

Walt and Marianne flew all over the country in the small plane, finally settling in the Salinas/Monterey area where they enjoyed the weather, golf, tennis, travel, and each other. There's a segment in the "60 Minutes" archives about Walt and his plane. Walt also served as a volunteer pilot, offering his plane and flight skills for Angel Flight West, an organization that provides free flights to those experiencing difficult life circumstances.

Walt loved a good joke, body surfing the waves, playing the "Wizard" and donning Hawaiian shirts. He was also an excellent bridge player and enjoyed a variety of other card games. He loved the Minnesota Vikings, teasing the younger generation, drinking Diet Cokes, eating Double Stuf Oreos, and "stale" popcorn.

A celebration of life will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday, December 12, 2021, at Chamisal Tennis Club, Robley Road, Salinas.

Memorials may be made to the Parkinson's Foundation and Angel Flight West.

**Susan J. Blohowiak**

Susan J. Blohowiak, 63, of Carmel-by-the-Sea, died peacefully on November 14, 2021, in Palo Alto, California, embraced by her loving husband of 42 years, Donald W. Blohowiak of Carmel.

A native of Wisconsin, Susan was a long-time resident of New Jersey where she was a learning consultant and special education teacher for Princeton Regional Schools. She also lived in Virginia; Orange County, California; Colorado, and Michigan.

Sue is additionally survived by her parents, Donald and Carmilla Ullrich of Naples, FL; her son, Ben Blohowiak (Megan Kennedy) of Charlottesville, VA; her son Aaron Blohowiak (Maevae O'Huallachain) of Burlingame, CA; a host of other loving relatives, friends and colleagues, and two cherished grandsons, Augustine and Oscar Blohowiak. No memorial service is planned at this time.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Carmel Cares to support equitable access to walking trails and the healing power of nature, or another organization of your choosing.

RUTH DANIELL NELSON

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Ruth Daniell Nelson was born to John Edward Nelson, originally from Brooklyn, New York, and Martha Oma Hudson of Noonan, Georgia. Ruth graduated from North Fulton High School, and briefly attended Shorter College (now Shorter University) in Rome, Georgia. She had two sisters, Martha and Mary Catherine, and one brother, John, and spent her childhood in Atlanta.

She married S.W. Duke Jacobs in Norman, Oklahoma in 1950, with coach Bud Wilkinson and his wife, serving as witnesses, and shortly thereafter the couple moved to Fresno, California, where her husband was hired as the head football coach for Fresno State College, now Fresno State University. They had one daughter, Catherine, born in Fresno. After a brief stint as head coach of the Fresno State Bulldogs, and establishing the Bulldog Foundation with friend Al Radka, Duke Jacobs opened a one-man advertising agency in Fresno.

Despite being a Southern belle, Ruth embraced her life in Fresno wholeheartedly. She lost her Southern accent, but never her Southern outlook and customs. Her culinary school was the local butcher shop, when the kindly owner discovered she was serving "poke chops" virtually every night. Under his tutelage, she became a proficient cook, and enjoying cooking for the rest of her life.

When her daughter was young, Ruth was an active and involved mother and professional volunteer. She led Brownie troops, provided classroom support, and was president of La Tienda guild. She was an expert seamstress, craftswoman, and talented painter. Ruth enjoyed both Western and English riding, and shared that pastime with her daughter. She was fortunate to participate in one real "round-up" in the foothills outside of Fresno. Using her sewing expertise, Ruth also took great pride in creating the Western suits worn by a dear family friend who became Rodeo Queen for both the Clovis and the Salinas Rodeos.

Ruth and Duke divorced in 1971. Later in life, she had a diverse series of careers, including retail management, construction management, medical office building management and accounting. She lived in Fresno County for over 71 years, minus a number of years in Monterey, San Francisco and the Portland, Oregon area during the 1980s and 1990s. During her years in Monterey, she enjoyed being close to her granddaughters, Miranda and Nalani. She was a loyal and enthusiastic volunteer for the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am Golf Tournament during her time on the Monterey Peninsula.

Ruth is survived by her daughter, Catherine Faber (Bill), granddaughters Miranda Hall and Nalani Faber, as well as her 2 great-grandsons, John Hall and Hank Hall. Her colorful spirit and love of her family will be remembered by all who knew her. Ruth will be interred at Clovis Cemetery in a private service. Any donations in her honor could be directed to Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital, a favorite cause of hers.



Pirates scuttled by pandemic, but slowly rebuilding a capable crew

IT'S BEEN two years since anybody has donned a varsity basketball jersey at Stevenson, a private school whose boarding students, at the height of the coronavirus pandemic, were sheltering too far from the Pebble Beach campus to participate in last spring's makeshift season.

Nineteen local teams practiced and played a few times

Justin Clymo, whose team will debut Thursday at Alisal High's Jose Solis/Vantory Miles Invitational in Salinas.

"We got together this past summer for one scrimmage, and our team consisted of six members of this year's varsity, and my daughter, Sydney, who is a returning junior on the girls varsity."

This year's roster bears only a slight resemblance to Clymo's 2019-20 squad, which shared a championship with Christopher in the Mission Division of the Pacific Coast Athletic League and went 18-8 overall, reaching the semifinal round of the Central Coast Section Division V playoffs.

The only returning player who saw significant court time two years ago is Evan Johnson, one of Northern California's best all-around athletes.

Johnson, a 6-foot-2 perimeter player, was the team's second-leading scorer, earning first-team all-league plaudits as a sophomore, but he's recovering from a shoulder injury from the football season and will sit until he's fully healed.

Two other seniors — Darnell Adler and Welle Zheng — are returning lettermen, but saw only limited playing time two years ago.

Adler, who is 6-3, physical and tireless, figures to be the team's best interior player, particularly on defense and as a rebounder. Zheng's gift, said Clymo, is the ability to be an energetic nuisance on defense.

Getting up to speed

Audon Forgus, a 6-2 junior, is a perimeter player, skilled with the ball, capable of creating offensive opportunities for himself and others.

All are three-sport athletes, as is varsity newcomer Trent Toole, whose exceptional court vision makes him a likely candidate to be the playmaker in Stevenson's high-speed offense.

The Pirates scrimmaged Alisal, a Gabilan Division school, on back-to-back evenings last week — Thursday

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Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

in 2020-21, which theoretically gives them a bit of a jump on this year's Pirates, who, since the first day of practice, have been reacquainting themselves with the game ... and with each other.

"As much as we hoped our athletes might retain some of the things they learned two years ago, we've had to go back and reemphasize the basics in practice," said coach



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Audon Forgus, a three-sport athlete (left), is a strong perimeter player and skilled ballhandler for the Pirates. Trent Toole's court vision (center) makes him a strong playmaker for Stevenson. Three-sport letterman Darnell Adler, a senior (right), looks like he'll be the school's best inside player this season.

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in Salinas, Friday in Pebble Beach — with mixed results.

“I learned that we’re resilient,” Clymo said. “On Thursday we looked super rusty. It was clear we hadn’t played in two years, and I saw us trying to remember what the speed of the game was like.”

“In Friday’s scrimmage, we saw a lot more of who we can be. I think it’s just a matter of getting enough repetitions, getting back up to speed,” added the coach, whose team, unlike most others, also had to break from practices during Thanksgiving week, when its boarding students were out of town.

Four December tournaments

Those repetitions will come from four December tournaments — the three-day Alisal event in the coming week, the Pirates’ own Coach Wilson Memorial Dec. 9-11, Balboa High School’s tournament in San Francisco Dec. 16-18, and the Tri-City Christian School Holiday Classic in San Diego Dec. 28-30.

Clymo’s hope and expectations are that the team he puts on the floor when Mission Division play begins in January will have unusual depth, with good athleticism and versatility.

“I think we’re going to have more depth and balance than we’ve had in a while,” he said. “The nice thing is that we have interchangeable parts, which should make us a little bit difficult to prepare for. We could have four guys averaging double figures (in scoring), and any of the four could be capable of carrying the team on a given night.”

Two division newcomers

This year’s six-team Mission Division will include two newcomers. Everett Alvarez drops from the Gabilan Division, where the Eagles went 1-11 (6-18 overall) two years ago. And St. Francis got promoted after sharing the 2019-20 co-championship in the Cypress Division, and qualifying for the CCS Division V tournament (16-7 overall).

Holdovers are San Benito (4-6 Mission, 11-11 overall two years ago), Monte Vista Christian (3-7, 10-15), and North County (7-3, 13-12).

St. Francis, San Benito, Monte Vista Christian and North County all played at least 12 games last season during the pandemic.

“We think we’re going to be very competitive,” Clymo said. “I think we have some dynamic athletes who are going to impact the game at both ends of the floor. We have some three-sport athletes who know how to compete. And I’m very excited about the energy the kids are bringing to practice. We don’t have to coach effort. It’s basically about

getting back in the sandbox and figuring things out.”

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Boys water polo

Gabilan Division — Player of the Year: Jasper Dale, Stevenson. Offensive Player of the Year: Wyley Dale, Stevenson. Defensive Player of the Year: Luka Zaninovich, Stevenson. First team: Jasper Dale, Wyley Dale and Luka Zaninovich, Stevenson; Ryan Brennen, Carmel. Second team: Rory Lee, Adrian Jin and Jayden Franz, Stevenson; McCartney Hong, Carmel. Sportsmanship Team: Jake Larson, Stevenson; David Cortez, Carmel.

Girls water polo

Gabilan Division — Most Valuable Player: Kate Morgan, Stevenson. Offensive Player of the Year: Sofia Bozzo, Stevenson. Defensive Player of the Year: Hannah Stelzner, Gilroy. First team: Kate Morgan, Sofia Bozzo and Olivia Garley, Stevenson; Maddie Fisher and Zib Lindholm, Carmel. Second team: Emmerson Ferreira, Miranda Salinger and Gabby Perez, Stevenson; Sydney Hill and Sonja Buran, Carmel. Sportsmanship Team: Michaela Miller, Stevenson; Peyton Kelly, Carmel.

Mission Division — Most Valuable Player: Meaghan Ricker, San Benito; Defensive Player of the Year: Maddie Day, Notre Dame; Offensive Player of the Year: Coley Corrigan, Hollister. First team: Amalie Hansch and Mad-dy Foletta, Santa Catalina. Second team: Lilliana Pedroni and Riley Barringer, Santa Catalina. Sportsmanship Team: Jacqueline Palshaw, Santa Catalina.

Field hockey

Gabilan Division — Goalkeeper of the Year: Aesha Sandoval, Christopher. Offensive Player of the Year: Ryan Ortiz, San Benito. Defensive Player of the Year: Taylor Mejia, Christopher. First team: Rhea Cosand and Graz Carmen, Stevenson. Second team: Romina Fernandez and Molly Buffkin, Stevenson. Sportsmanship Team: Ashley Bishop, Stevenson.

Mission Division — Goalkeeper of the Year: Emma Heisler, Carmel. Offensive Player of the Year: Allison Levin, Monterey. Defensive Player of the Year: Angie Leissner, Santa Catalina. First team: Angie Leissner, Megan Barry-Schoen and Selma Ruiz, Santa Catalina; Abby Shipnuck and Emma Heiser, Carmel. Second team: Elle Leatherberry, Tarn Reilly and Bianca Fritz, Santa Catalina; Sophia Bone and Isabelle Silverie, Carmel. Sportsmanship Team: Anna Gorman, Santa Catalina; Lelia Kraut, Carmel.

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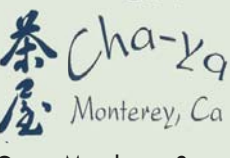
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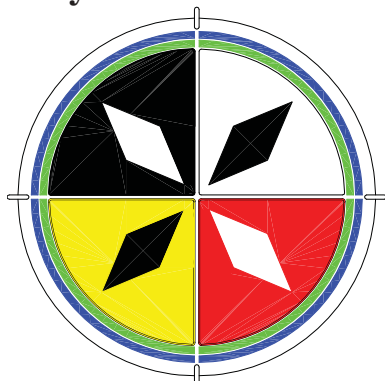
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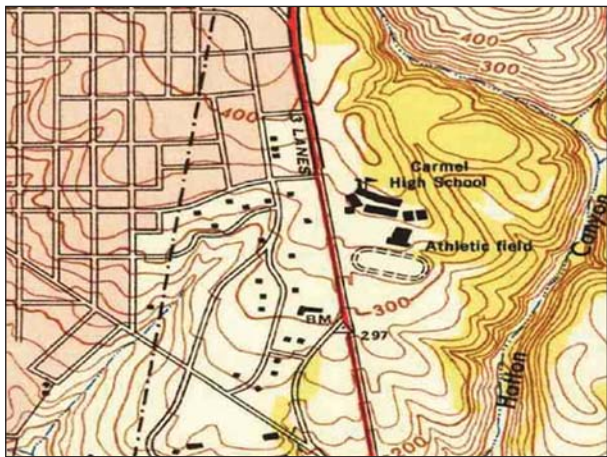
Editorial

How the high school got there

IF YOU don't feel like you're going to win an argument on the merits, it can be useful to make something up — and the past can be an especially good place to “find” it. Anything more than about 50 years ago, and you can usually get away with saying whatever you want, since there's nobody around with the firsthand knowledge that would be needed to prove you wrong.

The New York Times' infamous 1619 Project, which claimed that the United States was founded to perpetuate slavery, is a good example, because Benjamin Franklin, John Adams and the rest of the Founding Fathers aren't here to explain their motives when they signed the Declaration of Independence. Thomas Jefferson wasn't in the New York city council chambers the other day when his statue was hauled away.

Even at the local political level, the same problem exists. At public hearings, it's so common for people to say things that aren't true, it's almost become expected. If the facts aren't on your side, you can always attack your opponents' motives, and if that doesn't work, just bring up something Hugh Comstock or Robinson Jeffers supposedly said.



MAP/U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

The Carmel High School site and environs in 1948. The school opened in 1940 and almost a decade later there were no streets or homes around it.

The topic is on our minds because several weeks ago, we printed a letter to the editor from a resident near the high school who is passionately opposed to adding lights to the school's football field so it can be used for night games. One of his arguments was that the school owed the surrounding neighborhood extra courtesy because “it was our neighborhood that in fact donated the land for the CHS stadium back in 1947 as we were both growing together.” But is this statement true?

Since 1947 is almost 75 years ago, we seriously doubt that anybody who was involved in the development of Carmel High School or negotiations for the construction of its athletic field is alive to offer the truth of the matter, but there is a fairly complete history of that era readily available. In fact, The Pine Cone covered it, and the pages are right there for everybody to see on Harrison Memorial Library's searchable website.

Aug. 4, 1939: “Purchase of the \$31,000, 22-acre Hatton Ranch site for the proposed Carmel high school was made late yesterday afternoon at a special meeting of the board of trustees. Board members favored buying so large a site for future development, they stated.”

Nov. 3, 1939: “Plans for the Carmel high school to be built opposite the end of Ocean Avenue and across the coast highway have taken on visual form in the drawings of Ernest Kump Jr., the young Fresno architect charged with working out building details.”

Dec. 29, 1939: “Plans for the proposed Carmel high school are expected to be returned to the school board next week so the board can immediately advertise for bids to construct the school on the 22-acre Hatton Ranch site. Of the \$165,000 voted to finance the school, \$31,000 was paid for the site, leaving \$134,000 to meet the cost of construction.”

Sept. 6, 1940: “Carmel has cause to be proud of the new high school which is to open on its hilltop next Tuesday [i.e., Sept. 10, 1940], for this high school is the realization of an old dream brought to actuality by cooperation under far-sighted leadership.”

The clips go on and on, including references and maps not only to the school buildings but also the athletic field/stadium and football games that were played there. Not only was the field there right from the beginning, there's no mention of anybody, much less “the neighborhood,” donating land for it. The whole project, lock, stock and barrel, was paid for by federal, state and local taxpayers.

But there's more. A USGS map from 1948 (see illustration) shows that almost a decade after the school opened, it was still all by itself on its across-the-highway site, with no neighbors or even streets anywhere near it.

Many historical events may be subject to interpretation, but the letter writers' claim isn't one of them. It's plain wrong.

BEST of BATES



“It's obvious, Mabel. You ate too much turkey.”

Letters to the Editor

Former mayors speak

Dear Editor,

We would like to express our appreciation to the planning commission for its unanimous 5-0 decision on Sept. 29 to deny Verizon's proposal for a cell tower on Carmelo Street in a residential neighborhood next to the historic La Playa Hotel and surrounding historic and residential homes.

The decision by the planning commissioners was based on strong factual evidence. They found Verizon's proposal violated six specific sections of the Carmel municipal code. These involve zoning, aesthetics and placement of such wireless facilities and their associated equipment.

The planning department resolution stated there are alternative locations in the commercial district less than .5 miles from the Carmelo Street site that appear technically feasible and are not discouraged by Carmel's municipal code. Verizon has not evaluated these alternative sites and we urge that they do so.

We are a 1.1-square-mile community, and Verizon doesn't need this tower. Verizon just received approval for a cell tower on the Sunset Center roof. The proposed tower on Carmelo Street, which is mere blocks away, is therefore unnecessary.

On Dec. 7, the city council will hear Verizon's appeal of the planning commis-

sion's decision. We ask the city council to respect and uphold the commission's unanimous decision to deny the proposed Verizon cell tower.

We also ask the council members to listen to the voices of Carmel's residents. The public involvement in this issue is unlike anything we have seen.

The community is clearly opposed to locating cell towers in Carmel's residential neighborhoods and particularly for the precedent it would set.

Present-day Carmel is the recipient of efforts from previous generations to uphold and protect its unique residential character. Our elected officials are entrusted to safeguard Carmel's tradition as a residential community in the past, present and future. This is enshrined in Ordinance No. 96 from 1929 and the city's general plan. We must ensure that Carmel's unique residential character is protected and maintained into the future for forthcoming generations.

Charlotte Townsend, Ken White, Sue McCloud and Steve Dallas,
Former mayors of Carmel-by-the-Sea

Tell Verizon no

Dear Editor,

I have been a resident of Carmel for more than 30 years. The city council is set to vote on Dec. 7, yes or no, on a proposed cell tower in our city. Hundreds and hundreds of cards and letters have been received by the city in opposition to this cell tower. If it is approved, the aesthetics of our town will be changed forever, and the value and desirability of owning property will

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A case for recognizing civilians' contributions during World War I

A CENTURY ago, Carmel residents raised funds to erect a memorial fountain to commemorate the end of what they hoped would be the “war to end all wars,” and to honor the local men and women who served during the conflict with a plaque — including people who served in non-military roles with organizations like the Red Cross and YMCA.

It took a few years to complete, and with the water elements removed, it is known

“But because I was over the age, and could not sufficiently disguise the fact, I was unacceptable as a recruit in the Army, which was distinctly a young man’s affair.”

Into the breach

He thus began a campaign to place himself with one of the welfare organizations that would serve with the troops at the front. “The first reply came from the YMCA, and I left Carmel for France on the third of July 1918,” Newberry said.

After receiving training behind the front lines, Newberry received an assignment in September to the 304th Field Artillery and made his way through

“bombed-out villages” into eastern France, where German forces had made a major incursion near Rheims.

“You will join the regiment of field artillery and stay with them wherever they go,” Newberry was ordered. “They’ve been fighting hard for two months and horses

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History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

today as the World War I Memorial Arch. However, the names — and the plaque — are yet to be added.

A group of community-minded residents who worked on a recent restoration of the arch hoped to add the plaque designated by the city in 1921, but a dispute arose about whether just the names of military service members should be listed — excluding, for example, locals such as journalist Jimmy Hopper, who became a renowned war correspondent, and Perry Newberry, who saw front-line service as a volunteer with the YMCA.

Perry Newberry

Unfortunately, the council resolved the controversy by deciding in October not to add any names to the arch. I am hopeful that the city will reconsider and include all the names agreed to in the original plan.

To that end, I will excerpt highlights of Newberry’s service during the war. He may be best known as a former mayor of Carmel and editor of *The Pine Cone*, but the role he played during World War I deserves more attention. The following was gleaned from Newberry’s own words, published in *The Pine Cone* at various times between 1918 and 1934.

“From the day in August 1914 that Germany violated the neutrality of Belgium, I was for America’s entrance in the war,” Newberry wrote. “‘Peace at any price’ was a hateful policy to me, and the German system of ruthless warfare, poison gas and submarines, made me more determined to have a personal part in it.”

The day after America declared war on Germany, the 47-year-old Newberry was in San Francisco, endeavoring to enlist, he said.



PHOTOS/PEBBLE BEACH COMPANY LAGORIO ARCHIVE (TOP), PINE CONE FILE (ABOVE)

A decorative fountain (top) was an original feature of Carmel’s Memorial Arch. Perry Newberry, shown here in the offices of *The Pine Cone* while he served as editor, was one of Carmel’s most active citizens between 1908 and his death in 1938. He spent a year in service overseas during World War I.

Don’t miss “Scenic Views” by Jerry Gervase — every week in the Real Estate Section.

SHE FOUND INSPIRATION IN A HOUSE ON A HILL AND A GARDEN IN FRANCE

THE HISTORIC home that Monterey artist/photographer/author Elizabeth Murray rescued from becoming a teardown almost 22 years ago, then lovingly renovated, was built shortly after the turn of the 20th century by renowned painter Charles Rollo Peters, who invited San Francisco’s bohemians to migrate to the Monterey Peninsula after the 1906 earthquake.

Peters is widely credited as a co-founder of the art colony that changed the face

George Sterling, to name a few), along with rich and famous visitors vacationing at the opulent Hotel Del Monte.

The unseen world

The house, which hides on a hill above Pacific Street, is occupied by benevolent ghosts, said Murray, whose colorful, Fauvist-style paintings are influenced by her belief in “the unseen world,” and “visions” she receives from the hours she spends embracing nature.

“I’m a very environmental, very spiritual person. I find spiritualism through nature,” said Murray, who spent her young adulthood as a full-time professional

gardener in Monterey. And in 1985, she made a bold move that changed her life.

“My gardening job was a very good one for me — it was fun, it was creative — but I started to feel like I wasn’t growing anymore. I wasn’t being challenged,” she said. “So I took 11 weeks to travel in Europe, where I felt like I could learn a lot. Your spirit has to be fed, and you have to choose what feeds your spirit.”

Monet’s Garden

In Giverny, France, she visited Monet’s Garden, where Claude Monet (1840-1926) lived, gardened and painted some of his most famous works.

“I got a lump in my throat. I fell in love. I knew I wanted to be there, and I knew immediately that I wanted to work there,” she said.

A gardener told her to travel 50 miles to Paris and speak to the curator, Gerald Van der Kemp, a world-famous French art expert who masterminded the restoration of Louis XIV’s palace at Versailles and saved the Mona Lisa from destruction by the Nazis. In 1977, the Institut de France commissioned him to restore Monet’s deteriorating house and garden.

“I called every day for

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Carmel’s Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

of Monterey and Carmel, transforming this area into a creative mecca. He built two cottages on his property (still there, also renovated by Murray), which he rented inexpensively to artists as living and working spaces.

And he threw elegant parties at the home, inviting celebrated artists and writers (Francis McComas, Jack London and



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Elizabeth Murray, an artist and environmentalist, spent several months working in Monet’s Garden in Giverny, France.

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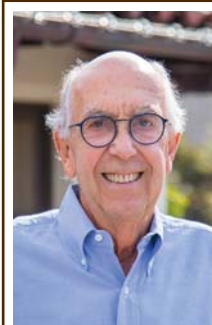
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Who is in control of our city, the elected city council, or Verizon? The best-case scenario would be that the council follows the planning commission and says “no” to cell towers. I would be proud to have Carmel added to the list of cities that have done so.

William B. Lewis,
Carmel

Support recording studio

Dear Editor,

I support the recording studio proposed for the long disused China Arts building on Dolores Street, and architect Rob Carver’s plan for installing an unobtrusive soundproofing measure inside the building’s vestibule.

That such a magnificent facility is proposed for our downtown is deeply aligned with the best traditions of this village, a place originally envisioned to be a colony of artists, thinkers and creative mavericks. Installing a world-class recording studio here demonstrates that Carmel-by-the-Sea is still a place that the gifted come to make art and create.

As a community, we should be thrilled by the prospect of talented musicians coming to town to make recordings, and we should be offering our help to make such an exciting vision a reality.

Unfortunately, Carver isn’t receiving that universal support, but instead is facing opposition to a minimal and wholly reversible modification to the vestibule for an essential soundproofing measure. The placement of this so-called “sound lock” is not arbitrary.

Moving it inside the main building would significantly diminish the flexibility of the recording space, limiting its usefulness as a music venue.

Yes, the China Arts building is beautiful and historic, but turning it into a first class

recording studio is an opportunity to preserve something far more precious to Carmel and its heritage — the spirit of creativity, without which there would have never been a Carmel-by-the-Sea to begin with.

The artistic souls who first came here to write, paint, think and make music brought the sensitivity necessary to recognize and preserve the natural beauty here. What we hold dear in this village all descends from these artists and intellectuals. The recording studio will provide this town with a needed booster shot of creative energy. I hope the community will join in supporting Carver and his effort to make this recording studio the best it can possibly be by allowing him to install the sound lock as he has proposed.

Ian Martin,
Carmel

Profitable vaccines

Dear Editor,

Ah, more pleasant reporting by our local papers, happy children holding hands and enthusiastically lining up for America’s first mass experiment on the very young, with the brand new mRNA gene therapy (newly classified as a vaccine).

Let’s see what happens, huh? Oh, happy day, and nevermind the naysayers and “antivaxxers” — our children’s safety comes first!

The irony is brazenly apparent, but don’t let that dissuade you.

After all, the notion that our very own government and the corporate media grossly inflated Covid-19 death rates, amplified the risk of death, or stooped so low as to smear or outright lie about the efficacy and safety of existing antiviral drugs, is just plain silly and even “dangerous.” All that to enrichen the top 1 percent? Ludicrous!

Now get down to your school and roll your baby’s sleeves up. You’ll have the thanks of a grateful nation. You’ll also have the thanks of Pfizer, Johnson & Johnson and Moderna who are profiting at a com-

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bined rate of \$65,000 a minute from global vaccine sales.
Steve Tilbrook, Carmel

Lee was a traitor

Dear Editor,
 Richard Hellam's recent letter to the editor shows a lack of understanding regarding the Constitution and a distorted and flawed view of history.

To set the record straight, Robert E. Lee was a traitor who took up arms and fought against his country, which is treason as defined by Article III of the Constitution, a case long settled and closed.

Lee's treasonous behavior cannot be excused by suggesting he had a misguided duty or loyalty to Virginia which somehow outweighed the oath he took to his country as a member of the United States military to uphold, protect, and defend the Constitution.

Secondly, nowhere in the Constitution does it proclaim each state would be sovereign or that they have a right to withdraw from the union if they don't like something. The idea that states are sovereign and can withdraw from the union whenever they want is a complete absurdity — which is why the Articles of Confederation failed and the Founding Fathers of the Constitution set about to frame a "more perfect union" with the Constitution as the supreme law of the land.

Finally, Hellam badly distorts the history of slavery in ways too numerous to discuss here, although it is important to note many of the Federalists were staunch abolitionists and viewed slavery as an immoral abomination.

It appears Hellam, as with many Southerners, cannot or will not accept the fact that the Confederacy lost the Civil War, and that they were wrong about slavery and states' sovereignty.

There are numerous resources by reputable historians and constitutional scholars that would benefit Hellam to correct his distorted view of history. He might start by reading the Constitution and the Federalist Papers.

James Winterbotham, Carmel

'All sins rolled into one'

Dear Editor,
 In reply to Richard Hellam's letter, "Lee was no traitor," in the Nov. 19 Pine Cone:

Makes one big mistake in his defense of Lee — he forgets that slaves are human beings, like himself. Slavery was always wrong and is cruelty incarnate. Slavery is kidnapping and murder, bodily injury, theft and denial of all rights. Other countries, including France and the United Kingdom, had already outlawed slavery. Slavery is all of the deadly sins rolled into one — pride, greed, lust, wrath, gluttony, envy and sloth — and violates all laws of human government and human decency. Just because a sin

persists for centuries, and is institutionalized in laws, does not make it less of a sin, or at all justifiable.

Hellam makes another big mistake when he ignores the constitutional definition of treason: "Treason against the United States shall consist only in levying war against them." By his actions, Robert E. Lee was a traitor. His motivations, his past record, do nothing to absolve him of his crimes. And Lee was also a slaver, a slave owner, a hard and cruel man, lacking in compassion. If he had been a great man, he would have felt compassion for his slaves, freed them, and turned to his fellow southerners to instruct them in their Christian duty to do likewise.

Bruce Merchant, Big Sur

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ARTIST

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two weeks, but couldn't get an appointment to see him," said Murray, who finally decided to continue her travels and hopped on a boat to Ireland.

When the boat broke down, she returned to Paris and called one last time.

"The secretary said, 'You can see him if you can be here in 15 minutes. Here's the address. I don't have time to give you directions,'" Murray recalled. She quickly changed out of her nightgown, hailed a taxi in the pouring rain and galloped into Christie's Auction House, where Van der Kemp was director.

Big in stature, grandiosity

"He was a very big man — big in stature, and big in grandiosity," she said. "He wore a three-piece suit, a cravat, a corsage ... he had a cigarette holder and a silver cane."

Murray spoke to him in detail about the garden, which she had memorized, and explained that she wanted to contribute.

Van der Kemp hired her on the spot, then introduced her to his wife, Florence, who immediately suggested that an apartment could be built for Murray on the grounds.

"That was amazing. I was wondering

how I was going to manage, and they were offering me room and board," said Murray. She returned to Monterey, quit her gardening job, gave up the charming, ocean-view house she was renting in Carmel, and returned to Giverny for nine months — six of which she worked in Monet's Garden.

"Gardening is an art form in itself, so to know Giverny, and to know Monet's Garden ... it was a way to know Monet well. This was where he lived the last 46 years of his life," she said.

Murray grew up in the small Marin County town of Tiburon, the second-oldest of six children — five (including twin sisters) of whom were born in four years.

"As a 3-year-old, I would sit in a chair and feed my baby sisters," she said. "And before my 8th birthday, I was getting up in the middle of the night to take care of my newborn baby brother. Sometimes I fell asleep at school because I had been up the night before."

She made the local newspaper at age 5 for climbing a tree to rescue her 4-year-old brother, Jim, who was stranded on a branch.

She got near him, realized she couldn't help, and advised him to let himself fall into a pile of branches and leaves.

"So he fell and he cried, and he ran off ... and then I didn't know how to get down," said Murray, who was aided by a fireman.

That same year, 1959, she and her sib-

lings saw "Darby O'Gill and the Little People," Walt Disney's magical movie about pesky leprechauns and a scary banshee in Ireland.

And then her Aunt Nora came for a visit — all the way from Ireland.

"She spoke with a beautiful Irish brogue," Murray recalled. "And I can remember when she pointed to the apple tree in our backyard and said, 'If you take good care of that tree, the fairies will come!' That just fed into my imagination and my connection to the natural world."

Catharsis through creativity

Murray graduated a year early in 1971 from Redwood High in Marin County, briefly attended Wilmington College in Ohio, then came home to earn a degree in environmental studies with minors in botany and fine art from Sonoma State.

She's seen her share of tragedy, too. Her mother succumbed to breast cancer on Murray's 21st birthday, and her husband, Gerald Ball — a gardener, teacher and artist — was diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor two months into their marriage

in 1996. He died five months later.

"It was awful. It took me years to get over," said Murray, who remains single.

She has healed, thanks to a bohemian lifestyle of her own design — gardening, communing with nature, painting, lecturing and giving workshops, taking photographs and writing. Her books include "Living Life in Full Bloom," "Monet's Passion: Ideas, Inspiration, and Insights from the Painter's Gardens," "Cultivating Sacred Space: Gardening for the Soul," "Painterly Photography: Awakening the Artist Within," and three works on gardening.

"I practice gratitude multiple times every day," she said. "Our whole world is beautiful, and I feel like it's a sacred responsibility to know about beauty and take care of it."

Images of Murray's paintings and information about her workshops and lectures can be found online at elizabethmurray.com.

Her art can be seen in Carmel at Studio Fogline — a gallery, design center, workshop and gathering place for artists on Fifth near Junipero.

Graffiti vandal pleads not guilty

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE VISITOR who spray-painted walls, railings and a panel van during a graffiti spree downtown while here for a wedding last month entered not-guilty pleas to 10 felonies and one misdemeanor during an appearance before Monterey County Superior Court Judge Julie Culver Friday.

The vandalism caused thousands of dollars in damage and required extensive cleanup efforts.

Gabriel Walker, the 27-year-old Napa resident identified by police through sur-

veillance video provided by numerous downtown businesses, was arrested at his home after police discovered who he was and learned he was also on probation for a DUI. He was booked into Monterey County Jail and subsequently posted bail.

At his arraignment Nov. 19, deputy district attorney Kellin Dunne appeared via video, and Walker was represented by attorney Aaron Breeden. The setting of a preliminary hearing — when a judge will determine whether sufficient evidence exists to proceed with the case against Walker — is scheduled to take place Dec. 7 in front of Superior Court Judge Mark Hood.

Virtual auction for Carmel Foundation

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

AN ONLINE auction, "The Joy of Giving," benefiting the nonprofit Carmel Foundation — which provides low-cost housing and meals, classes, medical equipment loans, lectures and other services to members aged 55 and older — will kick off Dec. 3 at 9 a.m. and close Dec. 8 at 9 p.m.

The online auction includes more than 50 items, among them hotel stays and restaurant gift certificates, concert

and theater tickets, golf, a spa day, one-of-a-kind artwork, painting lessons, and experiences like lunch with U.S. Rep. Jimmy Panetta at Katy's Place and lunch with astronaut Jim Newman at Grasing's. There's even an item donated by the SPCA simply called "Puppies!"

Go to CF.ggo.bid to participate. Those who need to bid by proxy can call (831) 624-1588 for de-tails. To learn more about what The Carmel Foundation does and why to support it, visit carmel-foundation.org.

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911

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fire and emergency medical services, according to the county budget, and cost \$12.5 million to operate.

The county signed on with CueHit, which sends a text link to people after they've made certain types of 911, non-emergency or administrative calls, according to spokeswoman Maia Carroll.

If they want to comment on how their situations were handled, they can answer the survey's handful of questions. And if they don't, they can ignore the text.

Emergency communications director Lee Ann Magoski said the feedback will help the department improve its services and also offer the chance to pass compliments on to

those who earned them. The surveys will go out to callers who call to report stolen vehicles, burglaries, thefts, civil problems or neighbor complaints might receive the survey, but not to people who dial 911 for help with sensitive issues like medical emergencies, rape or anything involving children.

Carroll said CueHit is "rolling out to 911 centers and police departments nationwide after its start in New Jersey and Colorado." She also said company CEO Scott MacDonald feels citizens should be able to provide feedback to public safety like they do to businesses, and that police and fire officials "should be able to access that feedback and use it to improve service and the morale of their teams."

Carroll couldn't say how much the service is costing taxpayers. She also said she believes survey answers will be subject to California Public Records Act requests, with certain information redacted.

GAVEL

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Jane Doe's residence in violation of the restraining order. Fearing for her and her daughter's safety, Doe 1 called 911 for help. The defendant fled before a Monterey County deputy sheriff arrived. During the 911 call, Doe 2 was crying and said she was scared that the defendant would take her.

After the verdict, the defendant was remanded into custody. The next day, Sept. 17, the Honorable Robert A. Burlison sentenced the defendant to three years' probation, ordered him to serve 45 days in jail, complete 52 weeks of domestic violence classes, eight hours of community service, pay \$500 to the Domestic Violence Fund, and ordered him to have no contact with the victims for an additional three years.

Sept. 22 — Joel Gonzalez, 22, of Watsonville, was sentenced to eight years and eight months in state prison by the Honorable Mark Hood after pleading no contest to two counts of gross vehicular manslaughter while intoxicated and one count of driving under the influence of alcohol causing injury.

On Sept. 26, 2020, just after 10 p.m., Gonzalez was traveling southbound on San Miguel Canyon Road in his 2017 Chevrolet Silverado and attempted to pass a line of five cars that were driving in front of him.

Due to his intoxication, Gonzalez failed to safely negotiate the passing maneuver and crashed head on into a northbound Nissan Versa. The two occupants of the Nissan, Heidi Jo Debellotte, 53, and Kristen Debellotte, 58, were pronounced dead at the scene. Gonzalez and four passengers in his vehicle were injured.

Gonzalez was contacted by California Highway Patrol officers after the collision, and they observed that he appeared to be under the influence of alcohol.

Gonzalez submitted to a breath test and was found to have a blood alcohol concentration of .13, well above the legal limit of .08.

Dog pics with Santa help fund free snips

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

SAY WOOF! Petography and the Crossroads shopping center are teaming up on a holiday event to benefit the SNIP Bus — the Spay Neuter Imperative Project — by organizing dog photos with Santa Dec. 4 between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. in the PopUp shop near Sweet Reba's.

Advance registration through Eventbrite.com costs \$40, while walk-ins are \$45, and the fee gets two 5-by-7 portraits that will be ready for pickup at Suds 'N Scissors after they're edited and printed. One of the images will be promotional, and additional photos will be available online, according to organizers.

Group dog photos will command a charge of \$5 per additional dog, but photobombing humans are free.

The funds will support SNIP Bus' mission of helping pets in need throughout low-income communities in Monterey County. To learn more about it, go to snipbus.org/monterey-county.

HISTORY

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and men are exhausted."

"I was with an artillery outfit, first on the Vesle Front, then in the Argonne," Newberry wrote. "Not a chance for a bath or a change of underwear for months — and officers and men scratch and curse their dirtiness."

The forces Newberry was with were packing for a night march. At the beginning, his duties were to help with morale by providing troops with candy bars, cigarettes, and other reminders of home, but as the combat intensified, his additional duties included helping with the wounded and making ambulance runs.

With the troops moving out, he was assigned to Bill Hawkins, "the best driver in the company," Newberry related.

"Bill climbed to his high seat, and I scrambled up beside him. It was dark in the woods. There was no road out. Amid the trees was a confused mass of canvas-covered wagons, mules, and horses and swearing drivers. Bill unwound the lines from the brake-lever, gave a shrill whistle to his team; we lurched and moved ahead into the black night.

'Grumble and rumble'

"We marched through the night, horses at a walk, a string of wagons, guns, caissons, camp kitchens and carts, 4 miles and more long. We rode until dawn in parallel with the battle line, sometimes close enough to see the shell burst about the sausage-balloons and the observation planes.

"I glanced up to find the shelter tents coming down with a rush and the teams being hitched up hurriedly. A sergeant running by yelled to me that we were off, and I threw loose stuff into my roll, strapped and shouldered it to the wagon.

"Helmets and gas masks!" ordered the lieutenant. "Forward — ho!" And we pulled out. The guns were rolling their distant grumbling, not to be mistaken for thunder. We were turning into a road that points straight toward their noise. Flashes like heat lightning lit the gradually dark-

ened horizon.

"We moved up to the front and were on the edge of a desert torn, dead trees, rusted wire entanglements, deserted trenches and weeds, weeds, weeds. Off to the southwest, as far as the ear can hear, was the roar, grumble and rumble of cannon. The Fritzies were retreating and our guns, pointing their noses up into the air, shot over us. Now and then the rattle of machine gun was heard, quickly silenced by our infantry. Overhead flew airplanes, our own or the French, in vast numbers.

Near miss

"Three days ago the battle began. I went up to the batteries that night with the chaplain, and he left me in the first battalion hospital, a dugout. I was to help with the wounded. The battle was to begin by barrage at 2:30 a.m., but the Germans, either suspecting something or perhaps butting in, began sending gas shells over about midnight.

"Gas masks!" cried the captain, as a pungent odor hit my nose, and I held my breath until my mask was on and adjusted. Then the Claxton horn gave the signal outside the dugout. The doctor-lieutenant began burning paper close to the floor. Finally the captain, testing, said 'All right now.'

"A sergeant came in. 'They are sending in shrapnel,' he reported. 'No more gas?' asked the captain. 'Seems not.' 'Good!'

"Our regiment is split up into various sections, and as we are pursuing our enemy, we are moving nearly every day, sometimes twice a day. We placed the wounded in an ambulance, and I went with them to the field hospital. That afternoon while I was at YMCA headquarters, the town was shelled, and five minutes after I left the Y hut was struck and the secretary with whom I was talking was wounded. As I walked back to camp, I saw an observation balloon struck and burned by anti-aircraft fire.

"The armistice found us so close to the border that we might have dropped shells into Germany next day. I came back in the summer of 1919, and our division, the 77th, was demobilized at New York."

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HOLIDAY GUIDE

Need a little Christmas? Here are some ideas.

By ELAINE HESSER

*"No one should be alone on Christmas."
— Cindy Lou Who, "The Grinch"*

LAST YEAR felt like the holiday the Grinch stole, only in reverse. You could get all the lights, decorations and presents you could afford, order a full-on turkey dinner to be delivered, stream any movies or music you liked — but holding hands around the tree, hugging, singing or sharing your feast with a dozen friends — nope. We were a community of shut-ins, reduced to friendly-but-distant waves and muffled tidings of comfort and joy.

Happily, our collective light in the darkness stubbornly refused to be extinguished. And, thanks to the vaccine, we can once again stand "heart to heart and hand to hand," as the Whos down in Whoville might sing. Almost all the events that were mere memories during the pandemic have returned. Here's a list to mark your calendar.

Trees, skating

Ice skating is back at the **Custom House Plaza** in Monterey. It continues through Jan. 2, including holidays, so you can glide with a view of blue water just a short walk from a restorative cup of clam chowder and perhaps a toddy. Grown-ups pay \$15, kids 12 and under are \$13. No ice skates? Rentals are \$5. If you're practicing to become the next Dorothy Hamill, a

season pass is \$150 (not including skate rental). The rink is open Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Sundays from noon to 8 p.m. iceskatingbythebay.com has more info.

Since you certainly had your fill of turkey and football yesterday, tonight why not head down to Cannery Row for the **annual tree lighting** in Steinbeck Plaza, at the corner of **Cannery Row and Prescott Avenue in Monterey**. Santa will be there to greet the kids from a balcony above the most celebrated street in town, and festive decorations will put you in a holiday mood. The fun starts at 5 p.m. and goes until 7 p.m., with the tree-lighting ceremony set to begin at 5:45.

On Saturday, the merchants of **Pacific Grove** invite you to their **Holiday Open House** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to enjoy "festive holiday specials and promotions." Then, on Monday, Nov. 29 from 4:30 to 8 p.m. in **Jewell Park**, you can attend the city's **Christmas Tree Lighting**, with music, kids' activities and the arrival of Santa Claus. For more info about P.G. happenings, see the calendar at pacificgrove.org.

A bit of Ireland

If you love Celtic music and dance, grab a pint of Guinness with dinner at one of the local pubs, then take in an **Irish Christ-**

CALENDAR on page 36A



First Night Monterey (top) will once again ring in the New Year with style, and until then you can fill your holiday calendar with things like Irish dance and outdoor ice skating.

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HOLIDAY GUIDE

Intrepid shoppers return to picking out presents in person

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

LAST YEAR'S Christmas shopping season was a miserable time for neighborhood retailers, with even the most devoted "shop local" folks forced to turn their lists over to Amazon.

This time around, however, The Pine Cone's perennial holiday shopper has returned to Carmel's walkable labyrinth of specialty shops, with list in hand and comfortable shoes, to find gifts for the naughty as well as the nice.

Although this is traditionally a solitary mission for our shopper, this year she is accompanied by a friend. Together, they plan to divide and conquer, then meet up at Stationary on San Carlos for lunch. One is looking forward to the avocado toast with Ad Astra bread, while her friend is thinking about the BLT with Baker's bacon, Bibb lettuce, and heirloom tomato. But we digress.

The lists are long and time is short, but there are plenty of choices. Some gifts carry a little cache under from the brands emblazoned on boxes — Tiffany, Coach,

Fourtané Jewelry — but other packages bear unexpected delights, too.

First, a visit to Big Little Boxes on San Carlos, where owner Linda Persall has already curated two themed gift boxes, one of which will be shipped directly to the shopper's Aunt Grace in Michigan. This "no place like home for the holidays" box helps Grace start her day with apple-cinnamon pancakes, drizzled with maple syrup and maple fig jam — and later, light a fragrant cinnamon-pine cone candle, wrap herself in a cozy blanket and enjoy an orange-and-cinnamon-infused cocktail while snacking on Black Bow candied pecans.

Baking cookies

For a niece and nephew, Persall has assembled a sugar cookie baking mix, a Christmas tree-embossed rolling pin, holiday cookie cutters, a Merry Christmas linen towel, and a 'Tis The Season to Bake Cookies pine box in which to store cookies and, later, kitchen tools. What a sweet gift — and inspiration for a family baking



Augustina's locations (above, top right) offer warm and stylish accessories, while Big Little Boxes (right) pre-packs all kinds of goodies.



session.

The other shopper steps into Augustina's on Ocean Avenue, after peering in the window as if admiring fine art. She is lured inside by Paula Lishman hand-knit fur — and a glass of champagne. Although looking for gifts, she can't resist a hand-knit beaver vest to guard against nippy ocean breezes. After studying jewelry by Paul Morelli, she buys her mother an 18k gold-and-diamond meditation bell necklace, and selects a Pomellato 18k gold-and-topaz ring for her 26-year-old daughter. And there's a Herno cashmere puffer vest for her golfer husband, knowing it will be perfect on the coastal greens.

She walks out the door, congratulating herself for checking off so much of her shopping list in one store — and being able to sip champagne while getting everything gift-wrapped.

Meanwhile, her partner-in-shopping is

around the corner at the Augustina Designer Boutique. Knowing her mother would be thrilled with a Loro Piana cashmere sweater, she's pleased to find one without a drive to San Francisco. She also discovers an Oscar de La Renta dress to wear on Christmas day. And, for her shopping buddy, she buys cozy Jimmy Choo shearling slippers in black, dressed up in what is quite possibly the most luxe wrapping paper she's ever seen. Done.

Chic and easy

The friends reunite at Lloyd's Shoes on Ocean Avenue, where they find ultra-slim, ultra-chic Saudara credit card cases in both soft leather and leopard-print calf

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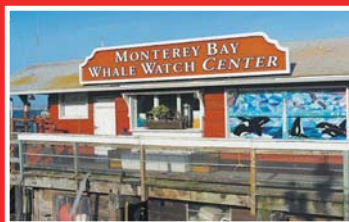
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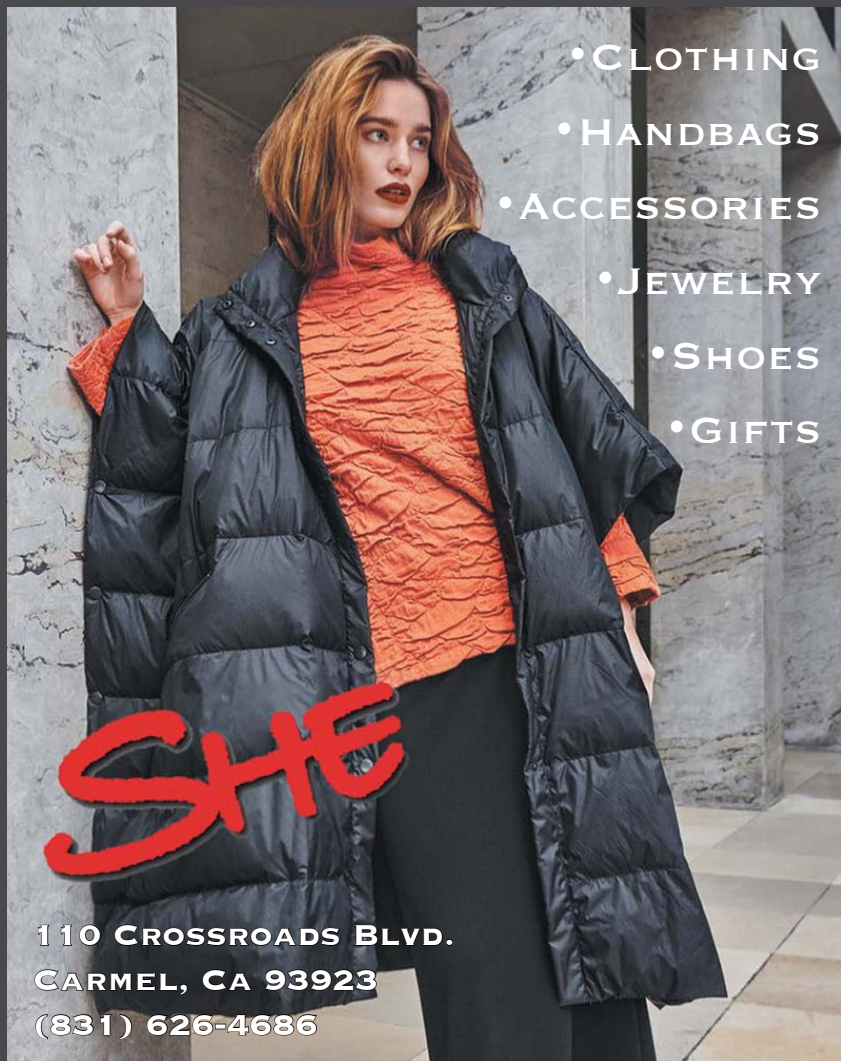
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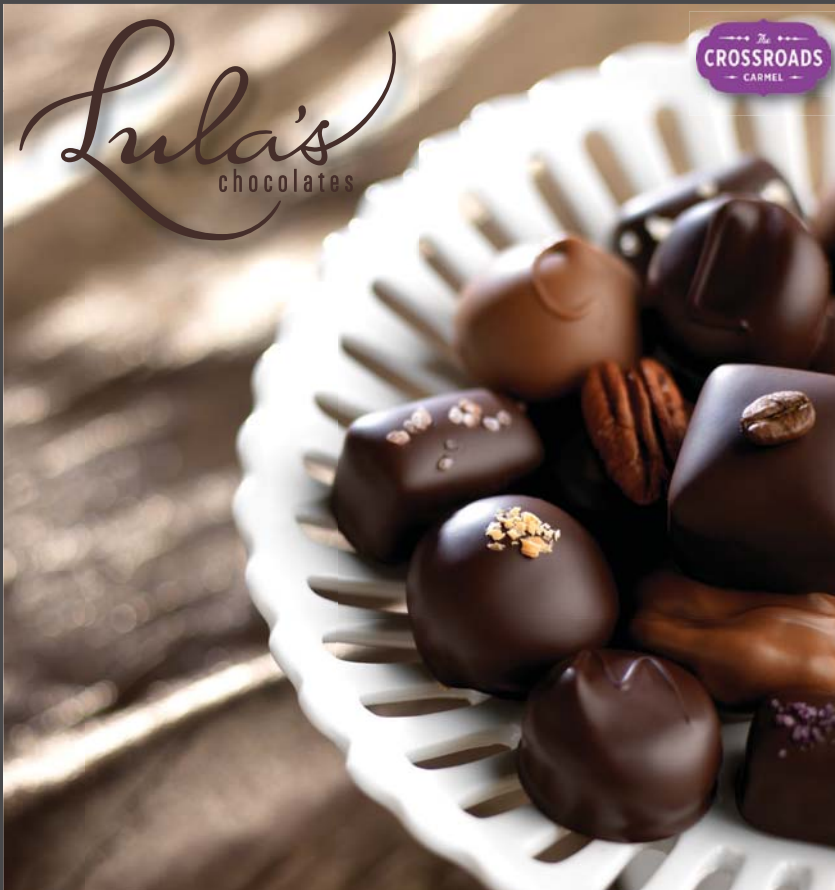
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Faith, hope and love — for the community you call home

By ELAINE HESSER

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The generous folks of the Monterey Peninsula would have none of Scrooge's disdain. They donate their time, helping patients and families at CHOMP or ushering people to their seats at Sunset Center. They give their money, directly and through events like the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am and the Concours d'Elegance. They walk to raise funds for the American Cancer Society and the Alzheimer's Association. But with so many worthy causes, how do you decide where to allocate your resources?

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Christine Dawson, the foundation's vice president of philanthropic services, explained some of the options available to people who want to spread their gratitude around.

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Christine Dawson

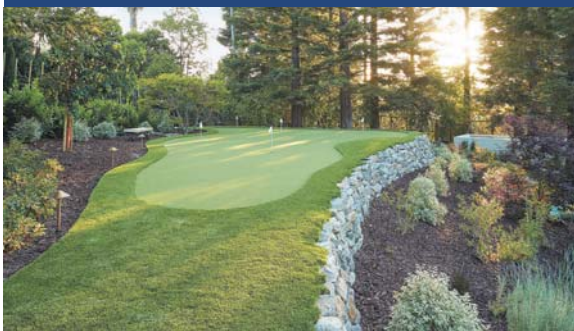
You can give an unrestricted gift, which the foundation will use to "respond to Monterey County's most pressing needs." Or, you can donate to a field of interest fund, specifying that the money go to seniors, the environment, education — whatever is important to you — and the foundation will allocate it accordingly.

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mas at Monterey's **Golden State Theatre** on Thursday, Dec. 2 at 8 p.m. Go to goldenstatetheatre.com for tickets.

The 19th annual **Pacific Grove Holiday Parade** of

Lights also gets underway on Dec. 2 at 6 p.m. Marching bands, floats and horses will be just some of the highlights. After the parade, strolling carolers will sing out Yuletide cheer downtown as stores remain open late.

"Isn't there anyone who knows what Christmas is all about?" Charlie Brown has been shouting that in frustration since 1965, and **Streets of Bethlehem** in

Salinas has the answer. It's more than a living Nativity — from Dec. 2 through Dec. 5, from 6 to 8:00 p.m., hundreds of volunteers from First Baptist Church recreate a first-century village complete with craftsmen, Roman soldiers and live animals. Admission is free, but pets aren't allowed — no one wants to spook the Blessed Virgin's donkey. More info is at streetsofbethlehem.com.

If it ain't Christmas 'til a **nutcracker** dances, then the **Monterey Peninsula Ballet Theatre's** performances of Tchaikovsky's classic have you covered Friday, Dec. 3 through Sunday, Dec. 5 at **Sunset Center**. Friday and Saturday night's performances begin at 7. Sunday's 2 p.m. matinee will be preceded by the Kingdom of Sweets party (additional fee required) at 11:30 a.m. Tickets start at \$35. Visit sunsetcenter.org for more, or to read about the center's Covid policies.

Lots of twinkling lights

On Dec. 3, it's time for the **tree lighting in Devendorf Park**. The party gets started at 3 p.m. when Santa arrives.



Christmas on the Wharf features live music and colorful decorations.

At 4 p.m., a menorah will be lighted and a half-hour later, a music and dance program begins. The tree lighting is planned for 5:45, but you should plan on arriving by 5:30, just to be safe. Immediately after the event, **Carmel Plaza** will host its annual holiday open house.

This year, Hanukkah is from Nov. 28 through Dec. 6, and although **Congregation Beth Israel in Carmel Valley** is forgoing its usual dinner, it's still celebrating. On Dec. 3 at 6:30 p.m., there will be a menorah lighting, songs, games and an abbreviated Shabbat service. The congregation requests that you call (831) 624-2015 to RSVP.

Also on, Dec. 3, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., join the community for a **tree lighting at Monterey's Colton Hall**. The ever-popular Mike Marotta Family and Friends will be on hand to provide music, carols will be sung, and the large outdoor tree will greet holiday revelers.

Christmas on Fisherman's Wharf will take place from Dec. 3 through Dec. 19 on Fridays from 5 to 9 p.m., Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sundays from 1 to 6 p.m. Santa will be receiving visitors next to Abalonetti's Bar and Grill, and merchants will offer hot cider, hot cocoa (or something a bit stronger) and cookies for sale. A variety of live entertainment is planned. On Dec. 4 from 1 to 4 p.m., representatives from the Monterey police and fire departments (with a fire truck) will be on hand for a Holiday Safety Afternoon, complete with demonstrations by the Monterey Fire Boat. Of course, the 23-foot Christmas tree will be there every day, surrounded by illuminated sea creatures. montereywharf.com

For more than a half-century, the generous residents of **P.G.'s Candy Cane Lane** (the well-marked entrance is a bit downhill from David on Forest), have conspired to set up beautiful, inspirational or just plain silly decorations. Pick up some hot cocoa, tune in to some holiday music and take a slow drive through the neighborhood starting Dec. 3.

Monterey Peninsula Voices presents its holiday choral concert, "Comfort and Joy," Saturday, Dec. 4 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 5 at 3 p.m., at the **First United Methodist Church of Pacific Grove** (915 Sunset Drive). Tickets are \$25 with discounts for seniors, military, children and students, and may be purchased at mpvoices.org.

Saturday, Dec. 4, at Caledonia Park in Pacific Grove will be the site of **Stillwell's Holiday Fun in the Park** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Santa will be hanging out to hear from the little ones, and carriage and fire truck rides will be available. Refreshments, music, games and activities promise that a splendid time will be had by all.

For homespun holiday fun, the **Hofsas House** (hofsashouse.com) at San Carlos and Fourth will host its 10th annual **Gingerbread House Fundraiser for the Carmel Public Library Foundation**. It's being done virtually again, but for \$25, you can pick up a kit on Dec. 3 to build a sweet little Carmel cottage. The price includes a good-

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Books: Because some stories deserve more than a TikTok

By ELAINE HESSER

IT SEEMS that while some of our friends and neighbors were cooped up last year, they put finishing touches on their books and novels. And, a few works were published in 2020 that didn't find their way to The Pine Cone until this year. If you're looking for a way to give someone a taste of the Peninsula's diverse culture and myriad voices, here are some books with local ties that might fit the bill. Or, you may just want to park your car on Scenic and start flipping the pages yourself, with the crashing waves as accompaniment.

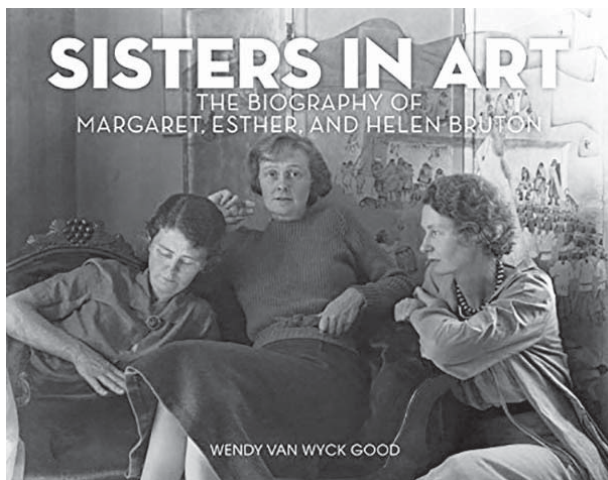
Buying books in a bookstore is fun — the shelves at Pilgrim's Way (Dolores between Fifth and Sixth) are stocked with an eclectic range of choices, and you can get your zen on in the Secret Garden behind the shop. You can also check out the latest offerings at River House Books in the Crossroads, perhaps between sips of Carmel Valley Coffee Roasting Company's best brew, and maybe a bite from Sweet Reba's.

In Monterey, Luminata (631 Cass St.) is your home for books and metaphysical wares, from crystals to incense, while Old Capitol Books (upstairs from Twisted Roots at 482 Alvarado St.) adds art and community events to the mix.

Here are some works that came across my desk recently, offered for your consideration.

Less famous local artists

Both beautiful and substantial, "Sisters in Art: The Biography of Margaret, Esther, and Helen Bruton" by Wendy Van Wyck Good of Pebble Beach would make a



great gift for the art lover in your life. Coincidentally, the coffee-table book was inspired by an actual coffee table designed by Margaret Bruton for famed interior designer Frances Elkins.

Good questioned why she had never heard of the sisters, whose works were critically acclaimed in their time. In her endnote, she wrote, "I had an overwhelming feeling that these women were special and deserved to be remembered. I am not an art historian — nor had I ever written a book before — but I felt that I had to share their stories." She's being a little modest — her biography notes that she is a reference librarian and archivist.

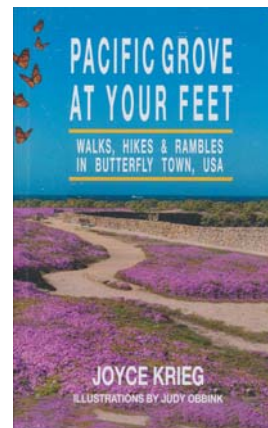
Her curiosity, experience and subsequent sleuthing paid off. The book contains detailed-but-lively accounts of the sisters' lives and work, and is filled with black-and-white


and color plates of their art.

Happy trails, feet

"Pacific Grove at Your Feet: Walks, Hikes & Rambles in Butterfly Town, USA," by Joyce Krieg is a guidebook for the Last Hometown. Krieg, a 25-year resident of the city, outlines 14 walks in and around town, highlighting locations like the El Carmelo cemetery and Point Pinos


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hair. They quickly pick some up for their hairdresser, massage therapist, manicurist, office assistant and barista. They tuck a Lloyd's Shoes gift card into each one as an extra surprise.

Just before stepping outside, one shopper spies the Italian-made Ron White weatherproof sneakers with festive metallic ribbon laces and lambskin lining she bought last year. She decides to complement her collection with this year's waterproof lace-up black combat boots from the same designer. Also made in Italy, these stylish kicks are even more comfortable than they look. She imagines pairing them with tights and a skirt or maybe a cute pair of skinny jeans tucked in or cropped to show them off.

With just enough time for one more stop before lunch, one shopper heads west to B Real Women's Apparel on Lincoln Street, where she quickly finds a widely coveted



GIFTS on page 41A A visit to B Real (left) or Lloyd's Shoes can be just the thing for your favorite fashionista.



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Community Foundation created a Covid-19 relief fund that has awarded more than \$3.4 million in grants, including more than \$785,000 in direct financial assistance to people and families. It was established “with a generous grant from the Monterey Peninsula Foundation,” according to the Community Foundation’s website. The Monterey Peninsula Foundation, of course, is the group behind the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am and the PURE Insurance Championship, which benefits the First Tee program.

Another popular approach is to establish a donor advised fund. You’re the donor, so you determine where the money goes. Your last name doesn’t have to be Gates or Zuckerberg to set up such a fund — the smallest amount to start is \$5,000, and you don’t have to maintain any minimum balance.

IRA solution

Dawson said you make your gift to the foundation and receive an immediate tax benefit. Then, you grant money from your fund to the causes and organizations that matter to you. “It’s like a charitable check-

ing account,” she noted.

The Community Foundation also administers more than 51 named scholarship funds. Say you want to send someone from your old high school for to nursing school or fund a young person’s training to become a teacher. You could establish your own scholarship to accomplish those goals.

Dawson said that some people donate their mandatory IRA distributions. If you’re not old enough to worry about that yet, congratulations, but if you have money in a traditional IRA account, the government requires that you start withdrawing from it — and paying taxes on those

amounts — at age 72 (or younger, for some people). However, if you donate the withdrawal to a nonprofit, up to \$100,000 annually, it’s no longer considered taxable income.

You can give in many other ways too, Dawson said, and each one has its own sets of rules and details to be attended to, but that’s what the Community Foundation is there for. Its representatives will advise you and guide you to choices that are right for you and your situation, so if you’re thinking of making some end-of-year donations, visit the website at cfmco.org, or call for more information at (831) 375-9712.

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lighthouse, and a “holiday bonus” walk through Candy Cane Lane. Along the way, she provides tidbits of about native tribes, local history and of course, the magic carpet of bright pink flowers shown on the book’s cover.

Cats and dogs

Carmel author Suzanne Cushman has penned stories for two books in the “Chicken Soup for the Soul” series. In “My Hilarious, Heroic, Human Dog,” you can read “Violet and Diesel Shelter in Place,” in which Violet — a 1-year-old cat — finds her life disrupted by the arrival of Diesel, a bull mastiff belonging to the author’s brother, whose family was evacuated from one of the many 2020 wildfires. Diesel, Cushman learned from Wikipedia, might be prone to flatulence, and should be fol-

lowed around the house with a drool towel.

“My Clever, Curious, Caring Cat,” includes Cushman’s tale of “Bump and Leonard.” Bump is a feline nomad who makes rounds of the neighborhood, and Leonard is a human with a “vinegary disposition” Bump befriends. Proceeds from both books go to American Humane, a nonprofit founded in 1877 to benefit animals that is perhaps best known for its “No animals were harmed...” disclaimers in movies.

Scary, angry moms

For the teachers in your life, Victoria Lucido, a 33-year veteran of Monterey Peninsula School District, penned a work called “Classroom Confidential,” which she hopes will inspire and help future instructors to find their ways. In fewer than 150 pages, she frankly addresses bureaucratic frustration — “Surviving changes

that are supposed to ‘fix’ everything,” dealing with parents — “The scariest haunted house of all: Angry mothers,” and many other topics, all while reassuring her audience that she deeply enjoyed her profession — and that they can, too.

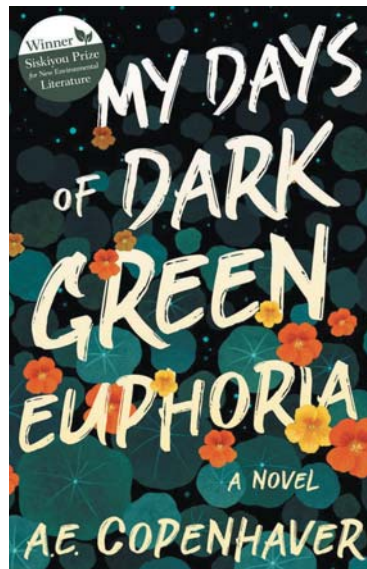
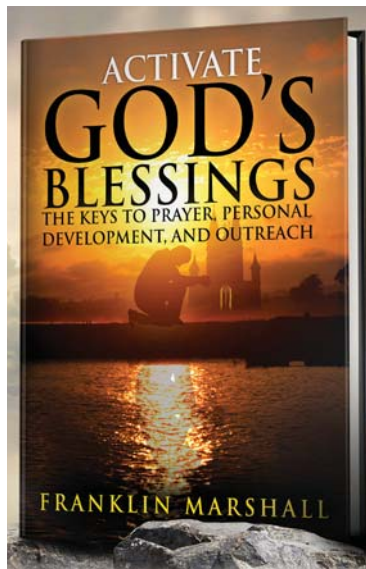
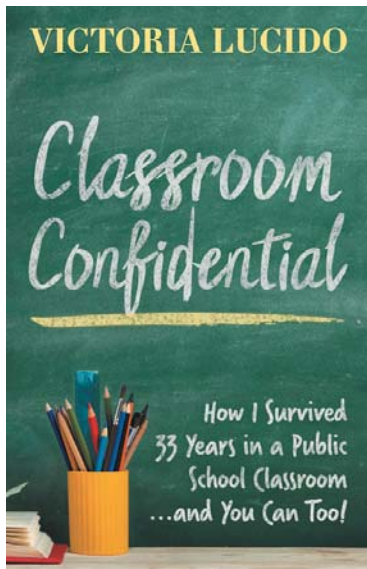
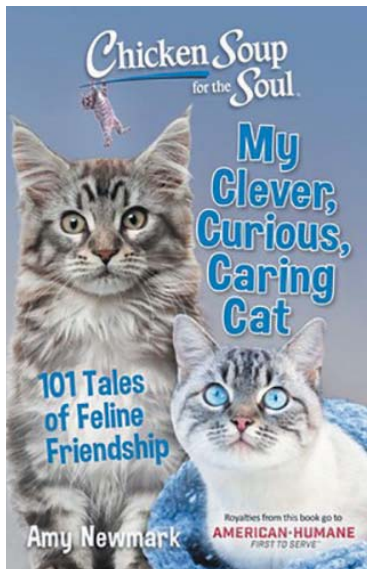
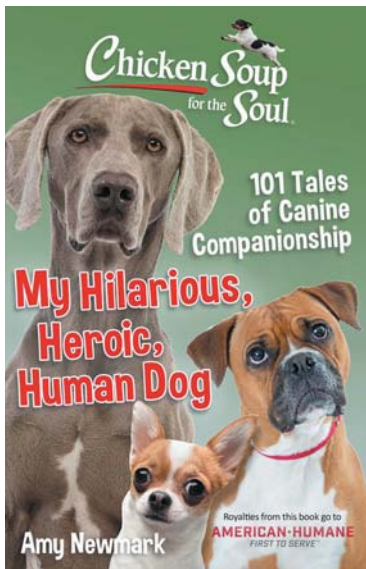
Inspiration

Christians will find inspiration in the work of CSUMB alum (and current Santa Cruz resident) Franklin Marshall, who developed a paper he wrote for a class on social and behavioral science into a short inspirational book. The self-described “author entrepreneur” hopes that “Activate God’s Blessings” will inspire Christians as “a tool for spiritual, personal and church growth.” Marshall’s research into the biblical principles he espouses is deeply personal, simply and elegantly related, and eminently practical for those who share his beliefs.

‘Eco-anxiety’

Finally, although it came in too late for a review, Carmel High School graduate and city resident Athena (A.E.) Copenhaver’s debut novel, “My Days of Dark Green Euphoria,” is what she calls “a novel of eco-anxiety.” In it, a 30-something woman who’s trying so hard to be green that she eats wasted food out of dumpsters and never takes an airplane anywhere, ends up with a boyfriend whose mother is a meat-eating, gas-guzzler-owning jet-setter. The book is a winner of the Siskiyou Prize for New Environmental Literature.

There are undoubtedly numerous other works written by or about locals that merit your attention for a rainy afternoon or for gift-giving. In any event, it’s helpful to remember that even at their busiest, bookstores usually provide a little respite from the otherwise-hectic experience of holiday shopping.



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HOLIDAY GUIDE

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ie bag and an individually wrapped cookie, so nobody's tempted to eat the front door. Complete your house by 4 p.m. on Dec. 4 (it's not like you have to wait for the planning commission's approval) and submit a photo or video via email to marci@thebuzzpr.net to be entered in a drawing for a one-night stay at the Hofsas House with fondue at Lugano's Swiss Bistro. Only 50 kits will be available and you can reserve online at [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com). Everyone who submits a photo or video will receive a collage of all the entries on Dec. 6 via email.

Ditching reindeer for rotors

If you're looking for an opportunity to give something back to the community, on Dec. 4 in the MacMahon Center at the Carmel Mission, the local chapter of the National Christ Child Society will hold its annual Shower of Love. The baby-shower-like event, which runs from 10 a.m. to noon, encourages people to donate baby supplies for bundles to be given to newborns whose parents are in financial need or other unfortunate situations. Call Anne Kelley at (206) 949-2944 for more information.

Sunday, December 5, the Brighten your Harbor lighted boat parade sets sail in Monterey Harbor. It gets underway at 5:30 p.m., as the festively decorated boats spread their nautical cheer. Grab a seat at your favorite wharf restaurant, have some clam chowder in a bread bowl and enjoy this seaside tradition.

Monterey's 37th Christmas in the Adobes runs from 5 to 9 p.m. Dec. 10 and 11. Tour nearly 20 historic buildings

all decked for the holidays, with knowledgeable guides in period costumes. Many are not usually open to the public, so here's your chance to get a peek. Tickets for one evening start at \$25, with discounts for youth, active duty military and Monterey State Historic Park members. For \$40, you can go both nights. Bring your mask, as it will be required for entry, and a flashlight is handy for navigating some of the streets. Check out [mshpa.org](https://www.mshpa.org) for more information and remarkably specific ticketing instructions.

On Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 11 and 12 at 8 p.m., I Cantori di Carmel presents a winter concert with an orchestra at the Carmel Mission. It will feature Mozart's Kronungs Messe (Coronation Mass) and works by Johann Sebastian Bach, as well as 20th-century composers Francis Poulenc and Max Reger. Tickets start at \$30 (\$20 for military and youth) and are available at Pilgrim's Way, Bookmark music shop in P.G., Luminata in Monterey or through [icantori.org](https://www.icantori.org). Proof of vaccination is required.

Santa and Mrs. Claus will board a helicopter for Santa's Fly-in to Carmel Valley on Dec. 11. To see their arrival, organizers recommend getting to the airfield off Ford Road a little early — around 10 a.m. — where refreshments will be available. If you can't get there, however, fear not — the Clauses will featured in a parade down Carmel Valley Road that will end at the Carmel Valley Community Youth Center, where there will be lots for the kids — and grown-ups to enjoy, including live entertainment and photos with Santa.

More ballet? Yes, please — if it's Smuin's Christmas Ballet at Sunset Center on Friday, Dec. 10 at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 11 at 2:30 p.m. According to Sunset

Center's website, it's not all tutus and fairy dust. The two acts "feature the best of both worlds: sublime classical ballet set to carols and red-hot contemporary works set to pop favorites." Tickets start at \$67 and can be purchased at [sunsetcenter.org](https://www.sunsetcenter.org), where you can read about all the pertinent Covid policies, too.

Welcome 2022

Saturday, Dec. 18 from 8:30 to 11 a.m., you and the kiddos can have breakfast with Santa, presented by the Mission Trail Lions Club of Carmel at the Carmel Youth Center (Torres and Fourth). Children 12 and under are \$6 each; adults are \$10. Pancakes and sausage with fresh fruit are on the menu. The Girl Scouts will be collecting coats for their One Warm Coat drive and the Carmel PD will be there with Operation Kid ID. Donations of nonperishable foods for the Veterans Transition Center are welcome, too. Tickets will be available at the door, and organizers want everyone to be aware this is a cash-only event.

Ring in 2022 with First Night Monterey, where the theme will be New Beginnings, "to celebrate our re-emergence from pandemic life," organizers say. For \$29 for adults — \$22 until Dec. 13 — and \$18 for youth ages 6 to 15 (\$12 before Dec. 13), you can enjoy more than 50 acts in venues spread throughout downtown Monterey. Indoor venues will require proof of a Covid vaccine or a negative test within 72 hours.

Finally, start out the New Year with the 32nd Rio Resolution Run, sponsored by the Rio Grill to raise money for CASA of Monterey County. Individuals and teams can register at [runsignup.com/Race/Info/CA/VirtualRace/RioGrillsResolutionRun](https://www.runsignup.com/Race/Info/CA/VirtualRace/RioGrillsResolutionRun) and receive a long sleeve T-shirt and race bib. Run or walk 5 or 10 kilometers — costumes are encouraged — and report your finish time by Jan. 5 to be entered in prize drawings and vie for awards for best dressed, fastest team and more.



Santa arrives in Carmel Valley.



Christmas in Monterey's adobes can transport you to the Christmases long past (left), while "The Nutcracker" at Sunset Center will take audiences into the magical Land of Snow and the Land of Sweets, with its sugarplum fairy.

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ward Khaki's of Carmel. Keenly aware that it's her father's favorite haberdashery, she confidently chooses an open-weave, quarter-zip, vintage Merino sweater in blue. For her husband, she finds an antiqued moto leather jacket in washed navy leather. She imagines him wearing it, well, everywhere.

The shoppers reconvene at the car, where they stow their treasures before settling into an outdoor booth for lunch at Stationaery. After a leisurely meal, followed by buttermilk panna cotta and Mexican hot chocolate, the shoppers resume their search for something special. They go to Ritzy Rags & Thingz, the vintage and designer consignment shop on Dolores, to find something different and interesting to wear during the holidays.

They polish off their holiday shopping at Lula's Chocolates in Carmel Plaza, where they collect salted caramels enrobed in dark chocolate, sprinkled with sea salt and tucked into beribboned chocolate-colored boxes as sweet treats for co-workers. For stocking stuffers, they choose chocolate-covered marshmallows shaped like snowmen, snowflakes, Christmas trees and gingerbread boys. And for holiday hostess gifts, they purchase peppermint bark, tied up with a red ribbon and bells.

Finally, it's time for a well-earned stop at Carmel Coffee Roasting Company on Ocean Avenue, where they go over their lists and check each name twice.



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Musicians pays tribute to singer; Tower of Power, Irish dancers visit Monterey

AN ALL-STAR cast of local musicians will gather at the American Legion Hall in downtown Carmel Saturday to pay tribute to one of the Monterey Peninsula's most

High School and Monterey Peninsula College.

A familiar face and voice on local stages, Mirani sang lead vocals and played harmonica for The Young Presidents, The Wylie Band, The Diesel Point Blues Band and The Kings of the Valley, while collaborating with countless others.

His passion for music often took him to Los Angeles, where he collected gigs as a studio musician. His credits include working with Linda McCartney and doing harmonica tracks for "General Hospital." He shared the stage or the studio with many, including Beach Boy Al Jardine and singer Chaka Khan.

Music also took Mirani north along Highway 101. His nephew, Brandon Mirani, told The Pine Cone that his uncle enjoyed impromptu jam sessions in out-of-the-way places. "He would go to Oregon and play in little logging

towns, and just blow them away — they didn't know what hit them," he said.

Saturday's lineup includes guitarists **Jason Slate** and **Kurt Hays**, bassist **Kevin Huston** and drummers **Danny Clark**, **Gary Root** and **John Russo**, and others.

The event starts at 4 p.m. The American Legion Hall is located at Eighth and Dolores.

On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

beloved musicians, singer and harmonica player **Johnny Mirani**, who died Oct. 23 at 63. "He was seemingly larger than life," recalled Krissy Huston of Carmel Valley.

The son of immigrants — his father was a gifted opera singer — Mirani moved with his family to Carmel Valley when he was 7, attending Carmel Middle School, Carmel

Always in fashion

The band that coined the phrase "East Bay Soul," **Tower of Power** returns Saturday to the Golden State Theatre in Monterey.

Serving up an original horn-based mix of soul, funk, R&B and rock for more than a half century, the Oakland-based group is still at it. Despite many lineup changes, three of its most important members are still performing, including bandleader and saxophonist **Emilio Castillo**, saxophonist **Stephen "The Funky Doctor" Kupka** and drummer **David Garibaldi**.

Castillo said this week the group has always marched to its own beat, regardless what musical fads come and go. "We don't chase trends," he said. "We don't try to be like anybody else."

Instead, the band focuses on what it does best — play music that moves people, inside and out. "We play with a passion that is immeasurable," Castillo added.

The music starts at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$39 to \$79. The theater is located

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Fiddler Evelyn Thom (left), along with a group of instrumentalists, singers and dancers, performs in the latest edition of An Irish Christmas Thursday at Golden State Theatre. Tower of Power (right) serves up its trademark mix of soul, funk, r&b and rock Saturday at the same site.



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Chamber awards, big holiday wine tasting, and gingerbread houses

THE CARMEL Chamber of Commerce's Awards of Excellence gala returns to Quail Lodge in Carmel Valley Dec. 1 after a Covid-induced hiatus that moved the event to a virtual format last year. Not surprisingly, pent-up demand led to this year's dinner selling out.

But for those who can't make it, at least the photos should be good. Past awards dinners requested black-tie or semiformal attire, but for the last few years, the gala has followed a theme. Guests donned 1920s attire for "The

Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

Great Gatsby" in 2019, for example, and this year, organizers drew their inspiration from the fancy dress of Britain's Regency era as depicted in Netflix' "Bridgerton" series.

"Distinguished Lords & Ladies of Carmel, it is our honor to impart to you that the Awards of Excellence shall officially return to Quail Lodge this December 1st, 2021," the announcement stated, before explaining that the early 1800s in England were noted for their "elegance and achievements in the fine arts and architecture," and "encompassed a time of great social, political and economic change."

"This will be the pre-eminent event of the social season," it went on to say. "An auction, symphony music, Regency-era dress and fine dining will be part of the festivities as we recognize the best amongst us."

The best

After the public at large was invited to select three of their favorite businesses in each of 14 different categories, ballots listing the top nominees were sent to chamber members for their final selections in each sector, as well as Business of the Year.

The winners will be announced at the Dec. 1 gala, which includes a wine reception hosted by Hahn and Scheid, a three-course dinner prepared by Quail's chefs with wines from Bernardus and Odonata, a silent auction and raffle, and the awards presentations.

Nominees this year are:

- **Accommodations (small)** — Horizon Inn/Ocean View Lodge, Tally Ho Inn, Tickle Pink Inn
- **Accommodations (large)** — Carmel Valley Ranch, Cypress Inn, Quail Lodge & Golf Club
- **Art** — Aaron Chang Ocean Art Gallery, Bennett

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■ **Beverage** — Bernardus Winery, Carmel Valley Coffee Roasting Co., Dawn's Dream Winery

■ **Food/Market/Specialty (small)** — Dutch Door Donuts, Carmel Belle, The Cheese Shop, Stationary

■ **Food/Market/Specialty (large)** — Bruno's, Dametra, La Bicycleette, The Pocket

■ **Health & Wellness** — Refuge, Synchronicity Holistic, The Spa at Pebble Beach

■ **Financial/Legal** — Hayashi Wayland, Monterey Credit Union, Synergy One Lending (Team Hawker)

■ **Music/Performance** — Carmel Bach Festival, Forest Theater Guild/Films in the Forest, Monterey Symphony

■ **Nonprofits** — Big Sur Land Trust, Carmel Youth Center, Monterey Peninsula Ballet Theatre, Yellow Brick Road

■ **Professional Services (small)** — KAZU, Lemos 76, UPS Store

■ **Professional Services (large)** — A&R Plumbing, KION, Monterey County Weekly

■ **Real Estate/Property Management (small)** — Carmel Realty Co. (Susan Clark), Monterey Coast Realty, San Carlos Agency

■ **Real Estate/Property Management (large)** — David Lyng Real Estate, Santa Lucia Preserve, Tim Allen Properties

■ **Retail (large)** — The Barnyard, Carmel Rancho Shopping Center, Fourtane

■ **Retail (small)** — Carmel Walks, Monterey Touring Vehicles, Princess Monterey Whale Watching

■ **Tourism (large)** — Concours on the Avenue, Main Event Transportation/Monterey Airbus, WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca

Candidates for Business of the Year are last year's category winners: Alvarado Street Brewery & Bistro, Anton & Michel, Bernardus Lodge, Carmel Art Association, Carmel Food Tours, The Carmel Foundation, The Pine Cone, The Crossroads, Hofsas House, Kocek Jewelers, KW Coastal Estates (Team Beesley), La Balena, Monterey Bay Aquarium, Monterey County Bank, Monterey Regional Airport, PacRep, Sotheby's International Realty and VNA/Hospice.

■ Hula's gift cards

Fans of Hula's Island Grill in New Monterey might be



The Hofsas House hotel's annual gingerbread fundraiser will be virtual again this year, and organizers hope to see many photos and videos of cute kids and their creations.

interested to know they will receive a \$10 gift card for themselves every time they buy a \$50 gift card for someone else. But they'll have to act quickly, since the deal ends Nov. 30.

Hula's is located at 622 Lighthouse Ave. Call (831) 655-4852 for hours and other information, and see hulastiki.com for menus.

■ Pasadera winetasting

Ryan Sanchez, owner of Surf N Sand and Bruno's Market, and proprietor of El Jefe Tequila, has organized his expansive holiday wine tasting to take place at The Club at Pasadera Thursday, Dec. 2, with VIP entry at 4:30 p.m. and general admission at 6.

The 8th Annual Wine Tasting Event will feature more than 200 wines and bubbly from around the world, El Jefe Tequila — and new for this year, a beer garden. Each

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FOOD & WINE

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guest will receive a commemorative wine glass to keep and will have the chance to purchase wines at deep discounts.

In addition, guests will be invited to check out the cigar lounge, savor tasty bites from club executive chef Colin Moody and his team, and enjoy some live entertainment. After the tasting wraps up around 8 p.m., an after party and dancing will run until 10.

Tickets are \$125 for VIP and \$75 for general admission, and can be purchased through Eventbrite.com. The Club at Pasadera is located off of Highway 68 just west of Laguna Seca raceway.

Food for veterans

Fort Hunter Liggett's annual food drive collected more than 1,500 pounds of donations for the Veterans Transition Center in Marina, according to Amy Phillips, who works in the garrison's public affairs office. The food was donated by those living and working on post in South County.

Col. Lisa Lamb, the installation's commander, said the amount donated set a new record and that she's proud of such a great effort by Fort Hunter Liggett's community to support veterans in need.

The mission of the Veterans Transition Center, which is based on the former Fort Ord, is "to empower veterans to transition from crisis to self-sufficiency" by providing them and their families with food, clothing, case management, life skills, substance abuse counseling, benefit enrollment, medical referrals, employment training and housing. Learn more at vtcmonterey.org.

Gingerbread building

Hofsas House hotel is keeping its popular annual gingerbread-house-making fundraiser virtual this year, but the event will still raise critical funds for the Carmel Pub-

lic Library Foundation.

Supporters who want to participate in the 10th annual fundraiser can order their gingerbread kits online, pick them up in Carmel, and then create their houses at home to display throughout the holidays. Each costs \$25 and comes with a cookie for immediate snacking and a goodie bag, too.

Kits will be available for pickup in the lower lot of the hotel, which is located on San Carlos north of Fourth, on Friday, Dec. 3, between 1 and 4 p.m., and then everyone can build them together separately the next day.

All are encouraged to take photos and videos to share on social media for the Hofsas House and the foundation. Those who submit images and footage to marci@thebuzzpr.net by 4 p.m. Dec. 4 will be eligible to win a one-night stay at the hotel and a \$100 gift certificate for Lugano's Swiss Bistro in the Barnyard, and a digital collage will be emailed to everyone by the end of the day Dec. 6.

Gingerbread reservations must be made through Eventbrite.com.

Lunch at Poppy Hall

Poppy Hall on Lighthouse in Pacific Grove has reinstated its lunch service — which is now available Wednesday



Jeff Meier, president of J. Lohr, announced he will be retiring at the end of the year after nearly 40 years with the winery, where he started as a winemaker in 1985.

through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. — and recently released a new menu.

Salads like The Poppy (mixed greens with lavender fennel goat cheese and lemon poppyseed dressing) and The Wedge can be gussied up with chicken, shrimp or salmon. The Lighthouse Combo includes a cup of soup, a Poppy salad and a half turkey, ham, tuna or salami sandwich. Hot

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Ryan Sanchez is hosting his 8th Annual Holiday Wine Tasting at the Club at Pasadera Dec. 2, and his El Jefe Tequila will be showcased alongside more than 200 wines from around the world.

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at 417 Alvarado St. Call (831) 649-1070.

■ Celebrating Xmas, Irish-style

Also this week at the Golden State Theatre, music, dancing, Irish culture and the holiday season come together when **An Irish Christmas** returns Thursday.

Six talented dancers, including world champions **Scott Doherty** and **Tyler Schwartz**, team up with a trio of vocalists and another trio of instrumentalists, who play traditional instruments like pipes, fiddles, flutes and the bodhrán. The holiday shows tours the United States each November and December.

"Irish music is very sophisticated," explained **Margaret O'Carroll**, who founded Irish Christmas a decade ago. "It's an oral tradition that's been passed down through the generations. It's crucial for our dance team to home in on the internal rhythms of the music — when the two elements come together the result is explosive."

Showtime is 8 p.m. Tickets are \$35 to \$55.

Next up at Golden State is Jewish Orthodox reggae singer **Matisyahu**, who takes the stage Dec. 4.

■ Live music Nov. 26-Dec. 2

Barmel — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (folk, Wednesday at 7 p.m.). San Carlos and Seventh, (831) 626-3400.

Bernardus Lodge & Spa in Carmel Valley — **Michael Culver** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Casey Wickstrom** (Saturday at noon), pianist



Local musicians will pay tribute Saturday to singer Johnny Mirani, who passed away last month at 63.

Joe Indence (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.) and guitarist **Richard DeVinck** (classical, Sunday at noon). In the Lucia Restaurant & Bar at 415 W. Carmel Valley Road, (831) 658-3400.

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 — **The Dave Holodiloff Duo** (jazz and bluegrass, Sunday at 7 p.m.), singers **Lee Durley** and **Scotty Wright** (jazz and r&b, Tuesday at 7 p.m.) and **The Ben Herod Trio** (jazz and swing, Wednesday at 7 p.m.). 301 Alvarado St., (831) 649-8151.

Fernwood Resort in Big Sur — **Wayward Jerry & The Borrowers** (country and rock, Friday and Saturday at 9 p.m.), (831) 667-2422.

Folktales Winery in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **John Vicino** (Friday at 3 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Daniel Cortes** (Saturday at 3 p.m.), singer **Chelsea Riddle** and guitarist **Glenn Bell** (country, jazz and soul, Sunday at 11:30 a.m.) and singer and multi-instrumentalist **Joe Kaplow** (Monday at 3 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road, (831) 293-7500.

Gusto Pasta and Pizza in Seaside — **Two Rivers** (pop and rock, Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). 1901 Fremont Blvd., (831) 899-5825.

Hyatt Regency Monterey Hotel — singer and guitarist **Fred McCarty** (Friday at 3 p.m.) and singer **Haley Jane** (rock, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 1 Old Golf Course Road, (831) 372-1234.

Hyatt Carmel Highlands — singer and pianist **Dino Vera** (jazz, blues and r&b, Saturday and Thursday at 7 p.m.). 120 Highlands Drive, (831) 620-1234.

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, Saturday at 7 p.m.). 2700 17 Mile Drive, (831) 647-7500.

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

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

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

The Lodge at Pebble Beach — singer **Haley Jane** (rock, Friday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **John Sherry** (rock, folk and blues, Saturday at 6 p.m.) and singer and multi-instrumentalist **Casey Wickstrom** (blues and rock Sunday at 6 p.m.) In the Terrace Lounge at 1700 17 Mile Drive, (831) 624-3811.

Lucy's On Lighthouse in Pacific Grove — **Johnny Tsunami & The Shoulder Hoppers** (rock, Sunday at 2 p.m.). 1120 Lighthouse Ave., (831) 920-2006.

Massa Tasting Room in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (folk, Sunday at 2:30 p.m.). 69 W.



Singer and keyboardist Bronwyn Koryn plays pop and jazz Friday at the Puma Road Winery tasting room in Monterey.

Carmel Valley Road, (831) 659-6221.

Midici Pizza in Monterey — singer **Lauri Hofer-Romero** (jazz, Sunday at 5 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.). 26270 Dolores St., (831) 625-9040.

Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa — pianist **Steve Mann** (pop, rock and jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.). 400 Cannery Row, (831) 646-1700.

Puma Road at Portola Plaza in Monterey — singer and keyboardist **Bronwyn Koryn** (Friday at 5 p.m.) and **Songbird Meadow** ("a sweet fusion of melodies with hints of alternative, pop, blues and Latin," Saturday at 5 p.m.). 281 Alvarado St., (831) 747-1911.

Rio Grill — singer and guitarist **Zack Freitas** (Friday at 5 p.m.) singer and guitarist **Johan Sotelo** (Saturday at noon) and singer and multi-instrumentalist **Casey Wickstrom** (Sunday at noon). Crossroads shopping center, (831) 625-5436.

Savvy Bar in Monterey — mandolinist **Dave Holodiloff**, violinist **Peter Mellinger** and multi-instrumentalist **Eric Rowe** ("festive and funky music from around the world," Saturday at 8 p.m.). 420 Tyler St., (831) 920-2518.

The Salty Seal Pub in Monterey — **The Chuck Brewer Band** (rock and blues, Friday and Sunday at 8 p.m.) and **Johnny Tsunami & The Shoulder Hoppers** (rock, Saturday at 8 p.m.). 653 Cannery Row, (831) 920-2327.

Sly McFly's in Monterey — **Samba Da** (world music, Friday at 9 p.m.), **The John Michael Band** (rock, Saturday at 9 p.m.) and **Brad Wilson & Rolling Thunder** (rock and blues, Sunday at 8:30 p.m.). 700 Cannery Row, (831) 649-8050.

Tarpy's in Monterey — singer and violinist **Razzvio** (rock, Friday at 5 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Zack Freitas** (Saturday at noon) and singer and guitarist **Johan Sotelo** (Sunday at noon). 2999 Highway 68, (831) 647-1444.

Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley — **Boscoe's Brood** (rock, Friday at 6 p.m.) and singer **Peter Martin** (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place, (831) 298-7453.

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FOOD

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■ Ramen popup

Cantinetta Luca on Dolores south of Ocean is resurrecting its popup dinner series, starting with Ramen Night Thursday, Dec. 2, between 6 and 10 p.m. There will be no reservations for dining in, but takeout is also available, and everyone is supposed to order online by 5 p.m. Nov. 30, regardless of where they want to eat.

The menu includes two options — tonkotsu ramen, pork, egg and black garlic, or miso ramen, pan-fried tofu, winter squash and bok choy — with Meyer lemon sherbet for dessert, and the cost is \$27 per person, plus tax and 20 percent service fee.

Extra portions of pork, egg, tofu and bok choy, as well as kimchi, are available for \$3 to \$6. No menu substitutions can be made. Order through cantinettaluca.com. The popup will take place in the back room of the restaurant. Call (831) 625-6500 with any questions.

■ J. Lohr president retiring

After a career in the Central Coast wine business spanning nearly 40 years, J. Lohr President Jeff Meier announced he will retire Dec. 31.

Growing up in the San Francisco area not far from wine country, Meier obtained his degree in viticulture and enology from UC Davis and worked his first harvest for J. Lohr in 1984. A year later, he was named winemaker after learning under colleague and mentor Barry Gnekow, “who instilled in Jeff an appreciation for the artistry of winemaking, as well as a deeper understanding of the direct relationship between vineyard conditions and wine quality,” according to the winery.

In the quarter-century that followed, he moved from winemaker to director of winemaking, honing a holistic approach that reflected founder Jerry Lohr’s “original vision to grow, produce and bottle wines with a distinct sense of place” from the winery’s 4,000-plus acres of sustainable vineyards throughout California.

In 2014, Meier was named president and COO to oversee operations, production and marketing while also working with director of winemaking Steve Peck.

“His commitment to innovation, education and environmental stewardship has played a pivotal role in the rise of Monterey County and Paso Robles to global prominence while establishing an enduring legacy of excellence at J. Lohr,” the retirement announcement said. Meier was also recently named an Alumni of the Year in UC Davis’ Award of Distinction event, the College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences’ highest honor, “in recognition of his industry leadership and contributions.”

CALENDAR

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Nov. 27 and 28 – 40th Annual Big Sur Grange Harvest Art & Craft Fair, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Big Sur Grange, Highway 1 Big Sur, 26 miles south of Rio Road, between Ripplewood and Fernwood, next to Glen Oaks. Contact Jenny bigsurgrangeharvestfair@gmail.com

Nov 28 – “Klezmer for the 21st Century” with the San Francisco Yiddish Combo, from 3 - 5 p.m. at SandBox Sand City. High energy Klezmer and Eastern-European music. For tickets and more information: Sandboxesandcity.com

Dec. 2, 9, and 16 – Play chess over the board with other seniors. Players of all skill levels, from beginner to expert, are invited to drop in. Every Thursday from 1 to 4:30 p.m. in the Field Café of The Carmel Foundation, Lincoln & Eighth, SE corner, Carmel-by-the-Sea. For more information, please contact Cole Erskine, (650) 323-3232.

Dec. 4 – A “Shower of Love” at the MacMahon Center at the Carmel Mission, hosted by the Christ Child Society of Monterey Bay. Bring baby essentials for low income babies. Learn more at <https://bit.ly/ShowerOfLove>



Dec. 4 – The Hofsas House HOTEL celebrates the holidays with their 10th annual (VIRTUAL) fundraiser event, benefiting the Carmel Public Library Foundation. Children will receive one gingerbread

making kit, an individually wrapped cookie as well as a special goodie bag for a \$25 donation to the Carmel Public Library Foundation. Pick-up location: Hofsas House at San Carlos & Fourth., Carmel, between 1 and 4 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3. Register: www.carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org



Dec. 4 through 18 – Help celebrate Peninsula Potters Holiday Sale.

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Dec. 6 – 2 p.m. It’s a Jo Mora Celebration and Christmas Party at the Carmel Woman’s Club when acclaimed author Peter Hiller presents a specially curated power point presentation and talk on the iconic artist’s works. Attendees will receive a souvenir replica of Mora’s rarely seen Christmas card drawings, and a package of holiday wrapped cookies. The Carmel Woman’s Club is at Ninth and San Carlos in Carmel. Members free; guests \$3. Reservations not necessary but masks required. (831) 624-2866 or (831) 594-6200.

Dec. 10 & 11 – Christmas in the Adobes – Celebrate the season 5 to 9 p.m. during this two-night self-guided walking tour event featuring entertainment and decor at over a dozen historic buildings in downtown Monterey. Tickets and info: www.MSHPA.org

Dec. 11 & 12 – Carmel Mission Basilica – I Cantori di Carmel kicks off its 40th year by presenting Mozart’s jubilant Krönungsmesse (Coronation Mass) with chorus, soloists and orchestra. Works by Bach, Praetorius, Poulenc & Reger will round out the performance. 8 p.m. Dec. 11 and 12, 3080 Rio Road, Carmel. Tickets at icantori.org.

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Show celebrates painter who captured the sea's moods, built 'castle'

AN ONGOING show at the Monterey Museum of Art explores the legacy of painter William Frederick Ritschel, who achieved fame for his seascapes in the early 20th century and spent his final days in a "castle" in the Carmel

of my all-time favorite painters." The museum is located at 559 Pacific St. montereyart.org

trum from art and jewelry, to clothing and food.

"There are 20 vendors this year," one of its organizers, Jenny Buckland, told The Pine Cone. "Some couldn't make it, while others have stepped in."

Covid has canceled a number of local craft fairs, but not this one. "Many people called us, so we decided to make it happen," Buckland added. "All of the artists are super excited it's happening — they actually have a place now to sell their art."

The event is free. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Big Sur Grange Hall, which is located about 25 miles south of Rio Road — look for the sign just south of the Big Sur Roadhouse.

Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

Highlands that still stands.

"He was considered by many to be the top marine painter in the nation," explained artist Joaquin Turner, who has a gallery on Dolores between Fifth and Sixth. "He was revered for capturing the ocean's many changing moods."

Born in Germany, Ritschel moved here in 1911. Seven years later, he built a castle-like home perched on the edge of a cliff in the Carmel Highlands.

The painter immersed himself in the local creative culture, which was quite colorful at the time — this was just a few years after the 1906 San Francisco earthquake, which led a number of artists to move here. Ritschel fit right in.

"He was an eccentric figure who would wear flowered sarongs while he painted," Turner said. "He was an early member of the Carmel Art Association who was very much involved with the art colony here."

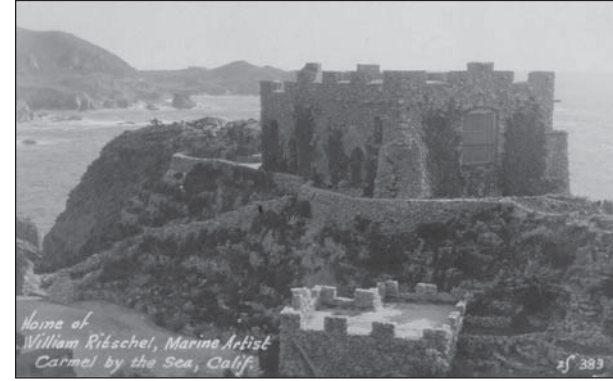
As a painter, Ritschel employed impressionistic lighting effects to illuminate his scenes.

"He was a master at painting the movement of water," Turner added. "He wasn't afraid to stylize trees. He's one

Big Sur craft fair is back

Down the coast, the Big Sur Grange Hall hosts its annual Harvest & Craft Fair Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., showcasing an array of creative talent and holiday gift-giving possibilities.

This year's lineup includes painters Leslie Drew, Rachel Fann, Sunyata Marlene Cresci, Seema Christie and Barbara Woyt, and photographers Kyle Evans and Howard Jones, along with others whose creations span the spec-



The Monterey Museum of Art hosts an ongoing display of William Fredrick Ritschel's paintings (left). He built a castle-like home (above) in the Carmel Highlands.



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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20212384 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: RBM CLEANING SERVICES CO., 301 9th St, Marina, CA 93933.

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, LIBETH SHANE NICOLAS SUACO, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: A. Present name: LIBETH SHANE NICOLAS SUACO

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20212407 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: 1. 831 LIVE EVENTS 2. THE REDIRECTOR 3068 Redwood Dr., Marina, CA 93933.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20212377 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: ALLMAZON TRANSPORT, 220 Williams, Space #17, Salinas, CA 93905.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20212405 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: STONE'S PET SHOP, 1122 Forest Avenue, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.

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.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20212420 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: IM UNLIMITED, 2714 Sea Glass Ave., Marina, CA 93933.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20212323 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: OCEAN FLOWER THERAPUTICS 2. MONTEREY LYMPHATIC HEALTH CENTER 140 W. Franklin St., Suite #207, Monterey, CA 93940.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20212429 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: FRONT PORCH LAUNDRY, 201 Mid Valley Center, Carmel, CA 93923.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20212427 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: SILBER CONSULTING GROUP (SCG), Atherton Drive & Rio Rd NE, Carmel, CA 93923.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20212329 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: DMK PRIVATE INVESTIGATION SERVICES, 1008 Briarwood Place, Salinas, CA 93901.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20212256 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: CARMEL RIVER DENTISTRY, 26365 Carmel Rancho Blvd., Ste. E, Carmel, CA 93923.

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 21CV003413 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, APRIL KAY LISIAK, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: A. Present name: APRIL KAY LISIAK

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20212395 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: CARMEL PINE CONE, 1122 Forest Avenue, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.

the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING: DATE: Dec. 10, 2021 TIME: 9:00 a.m. DEPT: 15

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SUMMONS - FAMILY LAW CASE NUMBER: 20FL001014 NOTICE TO RESPONDENT: MARIA E. MARTINES You have been sued. PETITIONER'S NAME IS: JUAN M. M. VAZQUEZ

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Effective Communication, 8 Monserrat Ct, Seaside, CA 93955, County of Monterey Mailing Address: PO Box 1446, Seaside, CA 93955 Registered Owner(s): Arnold Buss, 8 Monserrat Ct, Seaside, CA 93955

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Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 6, 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.

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The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20212536 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: CHEZ NOIR, 5th Ave. 2 NW San Carlos, Carmel, CA 93921.

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Carmel Area Wastewater District NOTICE OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECT/NOISE WWTP Elec/Mech Rehab and Sludge Holding Tank Replacement Carmel Area Wastewater District is conducting a rehabilitation project at the Wastewater Treatment Plant located at 26900 State Route 1. The project construction work will at times create noise that can be heard offsite. Pile driving for the project is scheduled to begin on November 29, 2021 and is anticipated to take about 4 days to complete. Please contact the Carmel Area Wastewater District office at (831) 624-1248 with any questions. Publication dates: November 19 & 26, 2021 (PC1120)

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE No. 21-318-MON: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED October 26, 2016. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. ON DECEMBER 14, 2021 at 10:00 am, at the main entrance to the County Administration Building at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, Ca. 93901, The Foreclosure Company, Inc., as Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash (payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States) the following described property situated in the County of Monterey, State of California, described more fully within said Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation of the real property described above is purported to be: 12 Soledad Drive, Monterey, Ca. 93940 APN: 001-643-006-000 The undersigned disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation shown here. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding in a foreclosure sale under a lien secured by the property, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (408) 374-7204 or visit www.foreclosure.com and check Trustee's Sale #21-318-MON. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (408) 374-7204 or visit www.foreclosure.com and check Trustee's Sale #21-318-MON to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the Power of Sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Mae Anne Lamb, as Trustor, Recorded on October 28, 2016 as Instrument Number 2016065967 in the Office of the County Recorder of Monterey County. At the time of the initial publication of this Notice, the amount due to satisfy the obligation secured by the subject Deed of Trust, estimated costs, expenses, fees and advances is \$287,847.24. To verify the opening bid call (408) 374-7204, before the sale date. The Foreclosure Company, Inc., as Trustee, 827 Cedar Street, Santa Cruz, California 95060 By: Christina Leigh, Foreclosure Officer Dated: November 9, 2021 This office is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose; whether that information is obtained verbally or in writing. NPP0397165: Trust: CARMEL PINE CONE 11/19/2021, 11/26/2021, 12/03/2021 Publication dates: Nov. 19, 26, Dec. 3, 2021 (PC1121)

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF SUEKO K. GOSHI, also known as SUEKO GOSHI Case Number 21PR00510

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of SUEKO K. GOSHI, also known as SUEKO GOSHI.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by CHRIS E. G. WALLINGFORD in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

The Petition for Probate requests that CHRIS E. G. WALLINGFORD 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: Feb. 23, 2022
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 905.2 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inven-

tory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner:
Thomas P. Bohnen
Law Office of Thomas P. Bohnen
400 Camino Aguajito, Suite 100
Monterey, CA 93940
(831) 649-5551

This statement was filed by Superior Court of California, County of Monterey on Nov. 17, 2021.

Publication dates: Nov. 26; Dec. 3, 10, 2021. (PC1123)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **THE PISTOL SQUAD LLC, 20 Second Way, Watsonville, CA 95076. Mailing address: 109 E 17th Street, Suite 470, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82001.**
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: PISTOL SQUAD LLC, 109 E. 17th Street, Suite 470, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82001.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: WY.
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 18, 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).

S/Thomas A. Damsen, Managing Member Date: Nov. 18, 2021
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 18, 2021.

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: Nov. 26; Dec. 3, 10, 17, 2021. (PC1124)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **PARAGON PAINTING, 33773 E. Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel Valley, CA 93924.**
County of Principal Place of Business:

MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
CRAIG MAINZER, 33773 E. Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel Valley, CA 93924.
This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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S/Craig Mainzer
Date signed: Nov. 11, 2021
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 16, 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: Nov. 26; Dec. 3, 10, 17, 2021. (PC 1125)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **SACRED SKIN ESTHETICS, 202 Anzio Rd., Seaside, CA 93955.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

Registered Owner(s):
DINA MARIE STOVER, 202 Anzio Rd., 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 Oct. 20, 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).

S/Dina Marie Stover
Date signed: Nov. 12, 2021
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 12, 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: Nov. 26; Dec. 3, 10, 17, 2021. (PC 1126)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **WILD COAST, 1180 Forest Ave, Space C, Pacific Grove, CA 93950. Mailing address: P.O. Box 89, Big Sur, CA 93920.**
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.

Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: A WILD COAST LLC, 1180 Forest Ave, Space C, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA

This business is conducted by a limited liability company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Oct. 29, 2021.

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S/Kara Janae Stout, Managing Member Date: Oct. 29, 2021
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 29, 2021.

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Publication Dates: Nov. 26; Dec. 3, 10, 17, 2021. (PC1127)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **JC FAB, 555 El Camino Real South, Salinas, CA 93905. Mailing address: 536 Capitol St., Salinas, CA 93901.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

Registered Owner(s):
JOSE CARLOS RIOS FLORES, 536 Capitol St., Salinas, CA 93901.

This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. 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).

S/Jose Carlos Rios Flores
Date signed: Nov. 12, 2021

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 12, 2021.

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Publication Dates: Nov. 26; Dec. 3, 10, 17, 2021. (PC 1128)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **STONE MOUNTAIN HEALING, 222 17th St., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. Mailing address: P.O. Box 58, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

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: Nov. 26; Dec. 3, 10, 17, 2021. (PC 1129)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing in the Council Chambers located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea and via teleconference, on Wednesday, December 8, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible. Immediately prior to the public hearing, the Commission will visit some or all of the project sites in-person as part of a Tour of Inspection. Social distancing requirements will be maintained during the Tour. Interested members of the public are invited to attend both the Tour and the Hearing. To attend via Zoom: (copy and paste the link into your browser): <https://zoom.us/j/97793575109?pwd=ZSfQndQmQ3plbUNXWldxVjdhQUh1Zz09> Meeting ID (if needed): 977 9357 5109, Passcode (if needed): 818959; to attend via telephone, dial 1-301-715-8192.

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

All interested persons are invited to attend via teleconference at the time and place specified above to give oral or written testimony concerning this matter. Written comments may be submitted to the Community Planning & Building Department at City Hall located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921 or P.O. Box CC, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921 or by email bswanson@ci.carmel.ca.us prior to the meeting. With respect to written comments, please submit them at least 2 hours before the meeting in order to ensure they are provided to the legislative body and made part of the record. Comments received after that time and up to the end of the public hearing will be saved as part of the record but may not be provided to the legislative body prior to or during the public hearing.

The staff report and relevant documents will be available at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting on the City's website at <http://www.ci.carmel.ca.us>, and found by clicking on "Government" and then "Meetings". The Planning Commission meeting will be broadcast live on the City's website at <http://carmel.novusagenda.com/agentapublic/meetingsresponsive.aspx> and the City's YouTube Channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAuQeLlWm1JCDkzD7Js86mA>, and archived there after the meeting. For more information regarding Planning Commission meetings, please contact the Community Planning & Building Department at (831) 620-2010.

UP 21-358 (Chez Noir)

Ken Turgen, Architect
5th Avenue between San Carlos & Dolores
Block 51, Lot W 45 of 17 & 19,
APN: 010-136-018-000
Consideration of a Use Permit (UP 21-358, Chez Noir) for the establishment of a 1,645 square-foot full-line restaurant located on 5th Avenue between Dolores Street and San Carlos Street in the Service Commercial (SC) Zoning District.

UP 21-350 (Links Club)

April Montgomery, Business Owner
Southeast corner Ocean Avenue and Mission Street
Block: 78; Lots: All;
APN: 010-086-006-000
Consideration of a Use Permit Amendment (UP 21-358, Links Club) to allow for live music entertainment and additional ancillary uses at an existing commercial recreation facility located at the southeast corner Ocean Avenue and Mission Street in the Central Commercial (CC) Zoning District.

DS 21-224 (White-Cox)

Thomas Bateman Hood, Architect
North West Corner of Santa Fe Street and 6th Avenue
Block 60, Lot All Lots 17 & 19
APN: 010-092-007-000
Consideration of a Concept Design Study (DS 21-224, White-Cox) for additions to the historic "Comstock Studio" totaling 247 square feet and a 267 square-foot detached accessory dwelling unit located at the northwest corner of Santa Fe Street and 6th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) District.

DS 21-264 (Kolsch)

John Mandurrago, Agent
Escolle Way 2 South East Perry Newberry Block 2B, Lot All Lot 10
APN: 009-161-011-000
Consideration of a Concept Design Study (DS 21-264, Kolsch) for a partial demolition and 140 square foot net addition to an existing 1,816 square foot one story residence inclusive of an approximately 279 square foot attached garage including the construction of a new 544 square foot second story and new 200 square foot garage in the front setback located on Escolle Way 2 southeast of Perry Newberry Way in Single-Family Residential (R-1) Zoning District.

Registered Owner(s):
KARIN ANDREWS ENZ, P.O. Box 58, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.

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S/Karin Enz
Date signed: Nov. 15, 2021
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 15, 2021.

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Publication Dates: Nov. 26; Dec. 3, 10, 17, 2021. (PC 1129)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, December 7, 2021, on or after 4:30 p.m., the City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will hold a Public Hearing via teleconference for the following purpose:

Proposed Action: Consideration of an Appeal (APP 21-360, Verizon Wireless-Carmelo) of Planning Commission Resolution 2021-052-PC denying a Design Review, Use Permit (DR/UP 21-115, Verizon Wireless-Carmelo), and associated Coastal Development Permit for the installation and operation of a wireless telecommunications facility mounted to a replacement PG&E utility pole with support equipment located and camouflaged on the ground adjacent to that pole located in the public right-of-way on the east side of Carmelo Street between 8th and 9th Avenues.

Project Location: Public Right-of-Way, East Side of Carmelo Street between 8th and 9th Avenues

Environmental Status: Statutorily Exempt pursuant to Section 15270 (Projects Which Are Disapproved) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.

Government Code section 54953(e) authorizes local legislative bodies to hold public meetings via teleconference and to make public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the local legislative body. Also, see the Order by the Monterey County Public Health Officer issued March 17, 2020.

The health and well-being of our residents is the top priority for the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea. To that end, this meeting will be held via teleconference and web-streamed on the City's website <http://www.ci.carmel.ca.us>, and found by clicking on "Government" and then "Meetings". The City Council meeting will be broadcast live on the City's website at <http://carmel.novusagenda.com/agentapublic/meetingsresponsive.aspx> and the City's YouTube Channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAuQeLlWm1JCDkzD7Js86mA>, and archived there after the meeting.

To attend via Zoom (copy and paste the link into your browser): <https://ci-carmel-ca-us.zoom.us/j/82728710391?pwd=NFN-2Wko2dmVMSXpyR2hldiNaWj1Zz09> Meeting ID: 827 2871 0391, Passcode 731089, Dial +1 253 215 8782.

All interested persons are invited to attend via teleconference at the time and place specified above to give oral or written testimony concerning this matter. Written comments may be submitted to the City Clerk at City Hall located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921 or P.O. Box CC, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921 or by email cityclerk@ci.carmel.ca.us prior to the meeting. With respect to written comments, please submit them at least 2 hours before the meeting in order to ensure they are provided to the legislative body and made part of the record. Comments received after that time and up to the end of the public hearing will be saved as part of the record but may not be provided to the legislative body prior to or during the public hearing.

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Ashlee Wright, Acting City Clerk

Please direct questions about this item to:
Marnie R. Waffle, Senior Planner
mwaffle@ci.carmel.ca.us or 831-620-2057
Publish Date: 11/26/2021 – The Pine Cone

Publication dates:
Nov. 26, 2021
(PC1130)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, December 7, 2021, on or after 4:30 p.m., the City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will hold a Public Hearing via teleconference for the following purpose:

Proposed Action: Consideration of a Permanent Encroachment Permit (PERM EN 21-287, Stilwell) to allow installation of an underground grease interceptor to serve a restaurant at the Carmel Lodge property. The interceptor would be located between the sidewalk and the edge of pavement in the public right-of-way. The project site is near the northeast corner of San Carlos Street and 5th Avenue.

Project Location: Northeast Corner of San Carlos Street & 5th Avenue

Environmental Status: Categorically Exempt pursuant to Section 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.

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Ashlee Wright, Acting City Clerk

Please direct questions about this item to:
Brandon Swanson, Community Planning & Building Director
bswanson@ci.carmel.ca.us or 831-620-2024
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Nov. 26, 2021
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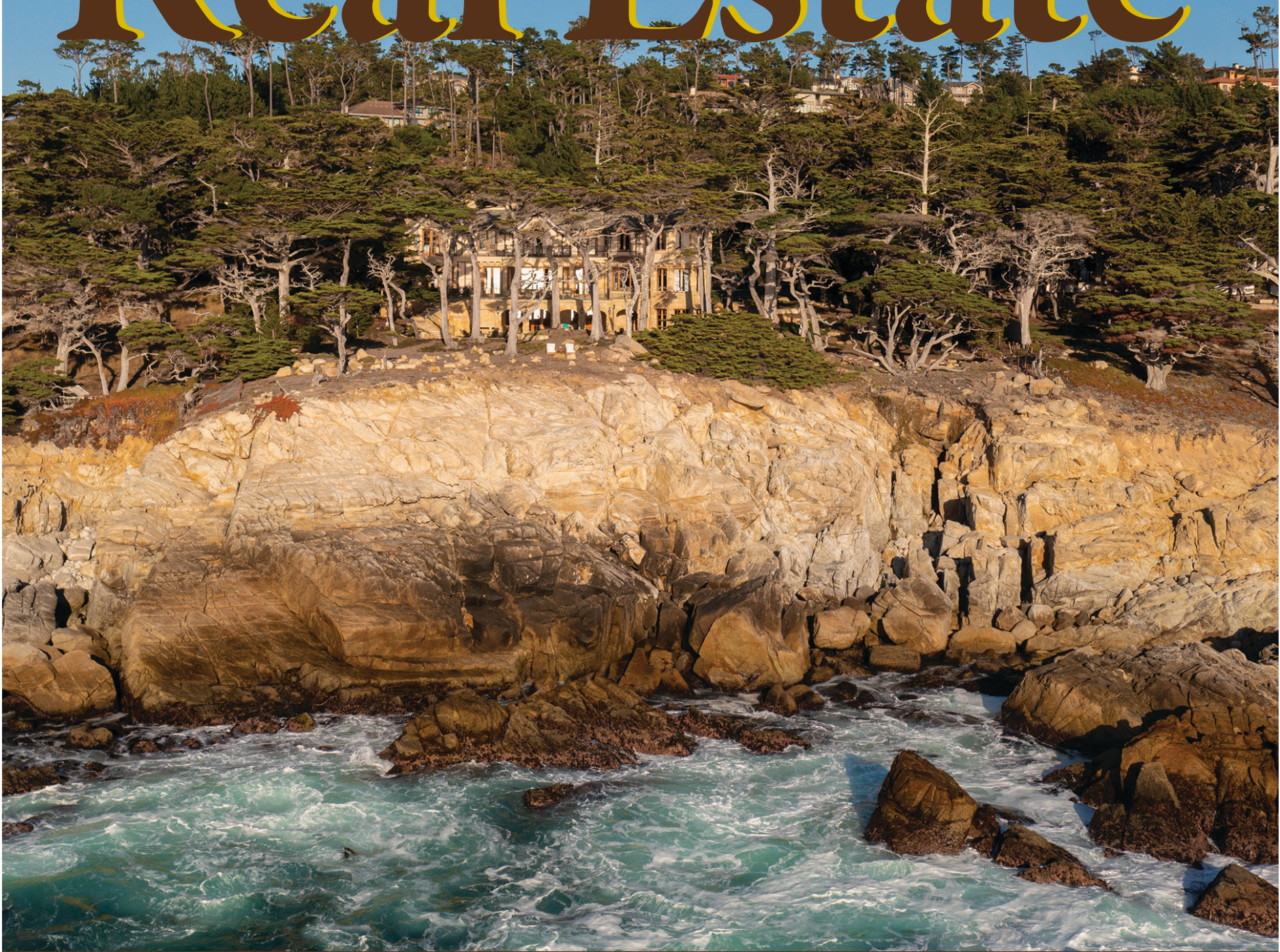
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26470 Oliver Road — \$1,295,000
 Baba Hakim to Katherine and Aaron Crayne
 APN: 009-552-020

Dolores Street, 4 NE of First — \$3,389,000
 Iva Winton to Haitao Guo and Jun Hu
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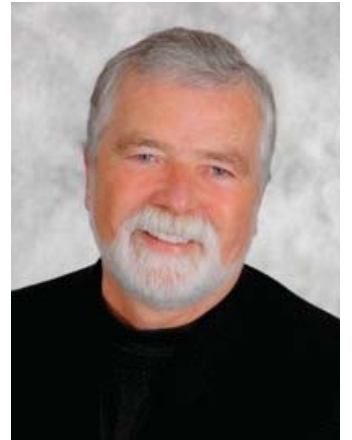
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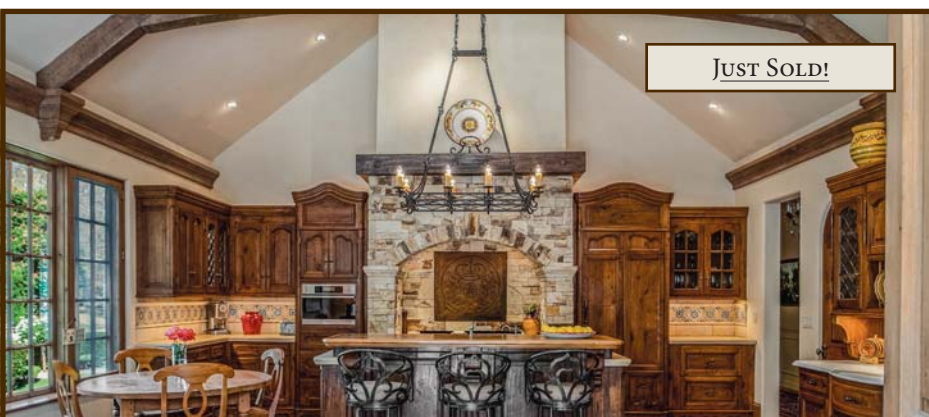
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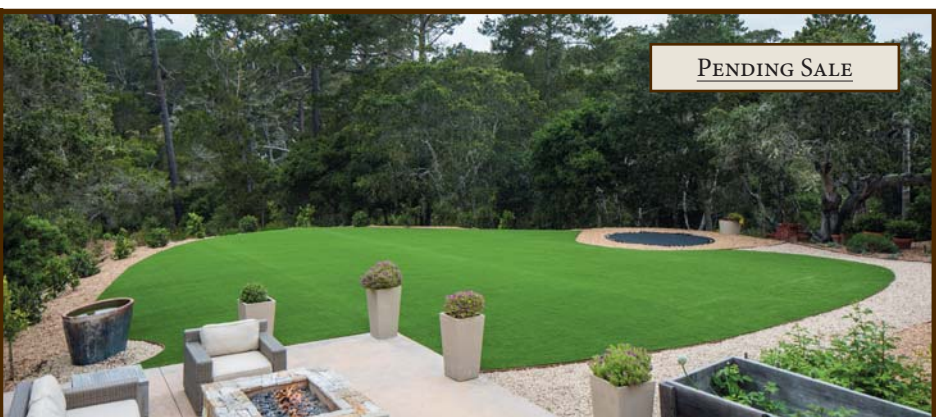


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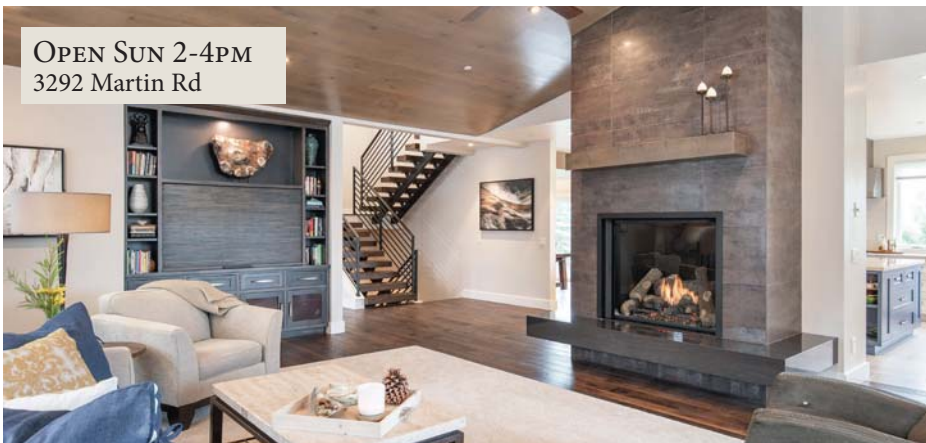
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Carmel Valley

Via Malpaso — \$575,000
City of Salinas Deferred Compensation Plan to Lodi Development Inc.
APN: 259-201-003

281 Esquiline Road — \$655,000
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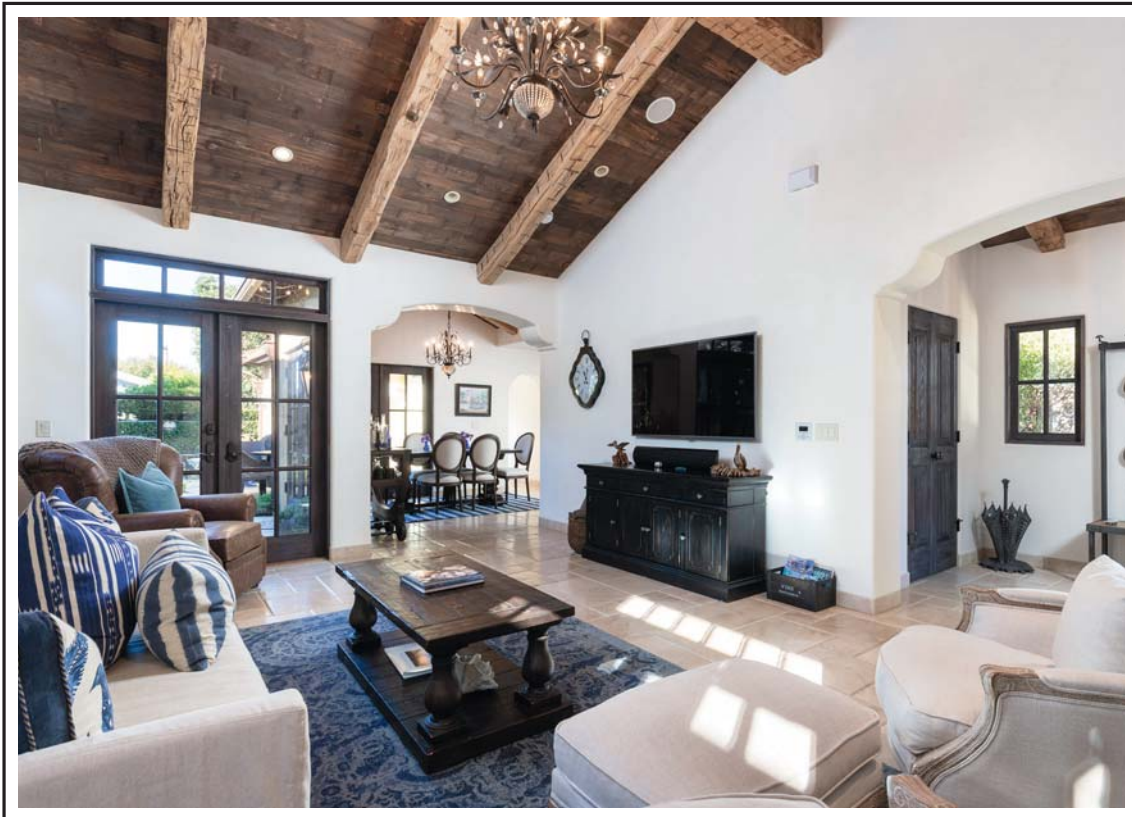
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Pumpnickel redux, the helpful library lady and a poignant grave marker

A COUPLE weeks ago I wrote about how small talk at a lunch table outside Whole Foods led to the renewing of a friendship that had been dormant for 50 years. Richard Caruthers and I had known each other a half-century earlier at the Uni-

versity of Detroit, but we sat and chatted without recognizing each other — until he said, “Pumpnickel.” This led to the mention of the town of Hamtramck, Mich., famous for its Polish cuisine, especially its pumpnickel bread.

Richard had a successful stage and television career, while I spent the years between our friendships convincing medical personnel all over Indiana, Ohio and Michigan that they couldn’t live without my medical books, endoscopes, X-Ray machines or laparoscopy equipment.

Once we had become re-acquainted, our rehabilitated relationship flourished for the next dozen years with weekly coffee meetings, dinners and social gatherings until Richard moved to Sacramento — just far away enough to put an end to regular casual meetings.

We still phoned occasionally, but we lost the ability to say, “Hey, let’s meet for coffee tomorrow.” Then we simply lost contact. Why? How? Who knows?

Library instincts

I tried finding him in the Sacramento area with no success. I even checked obituaries, as he was 10 years older than I am. No luck there.

But my luck hadn’t run out. I received an email from Katie O’Connell, the local history librarian at Harrison Memorial Library. She read the column and wrote, “It triggered all my librarian instincts.” She sent me a list of Richard Courtnays living in various cities around the country. The one in Sacramento was the obvious choice. Richard’s stage name was Courtney. I told her his real surname was Ramos. That was all she needed. A more thorough search using her library resources

turned up Richard’s grave marker. It was a sad but not unexpected result.

Katie told me that this service is available to the public, and it’s called, “Ask a reference librarian.” People can phone (831) 624-4629, email hml.reference@gmail.com or text lib@cbts.us. No library card needed. If you phone you can simply ask for “the helpful librarian.”

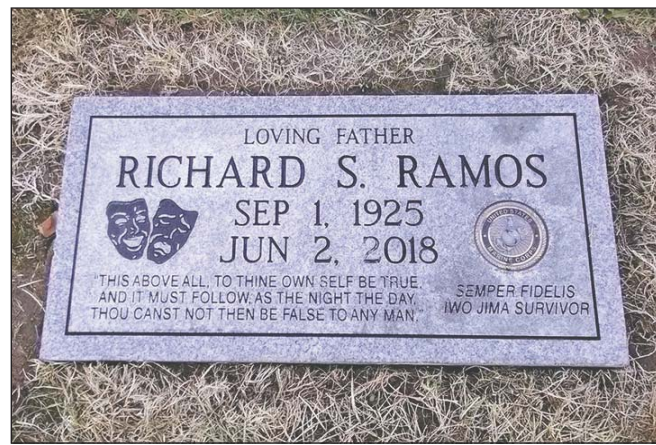
You can contact the library whether you have simple searches, or one as unusual as mine. Harrison has a wealth of resources for this kind of investigation, and it’s become a specialty of Katie’s. Imagine, having your own personal Google who doesn’t track you.

Interestingly enough, the town of Hamtramck made news this month. It is the first city in the nation to elect an all-Muslim city council, reflecting a different land-

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Scenic Views

By **JERRY GERVASE**



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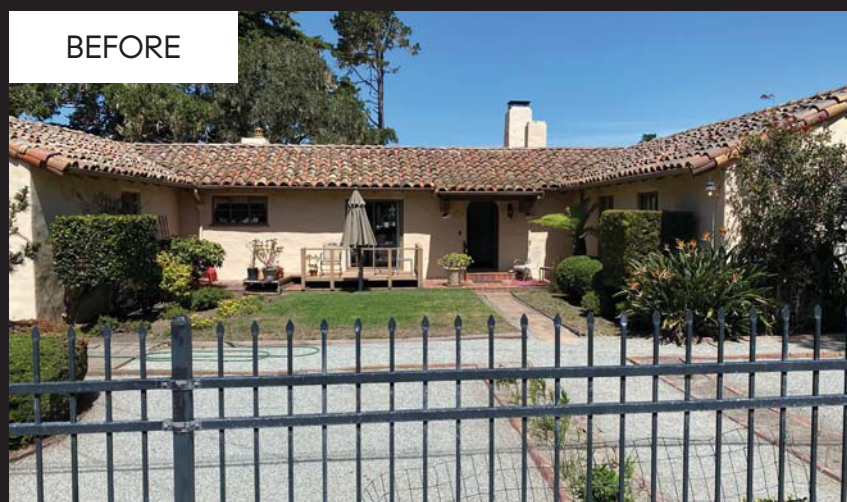
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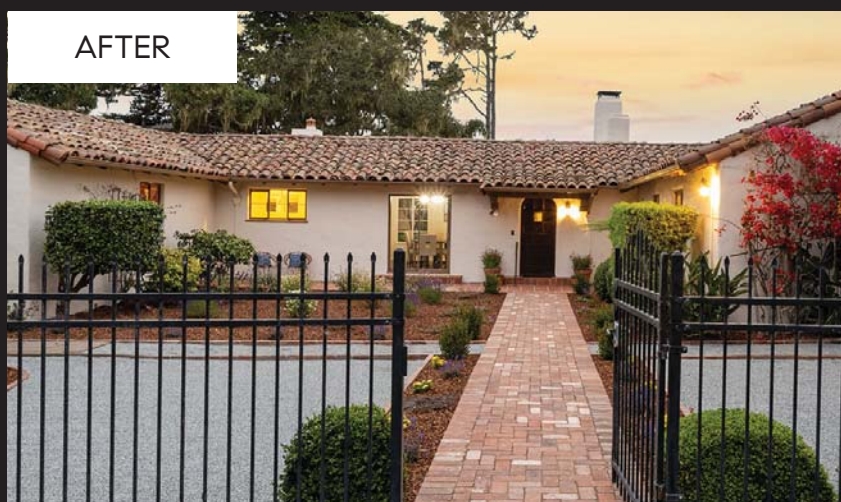
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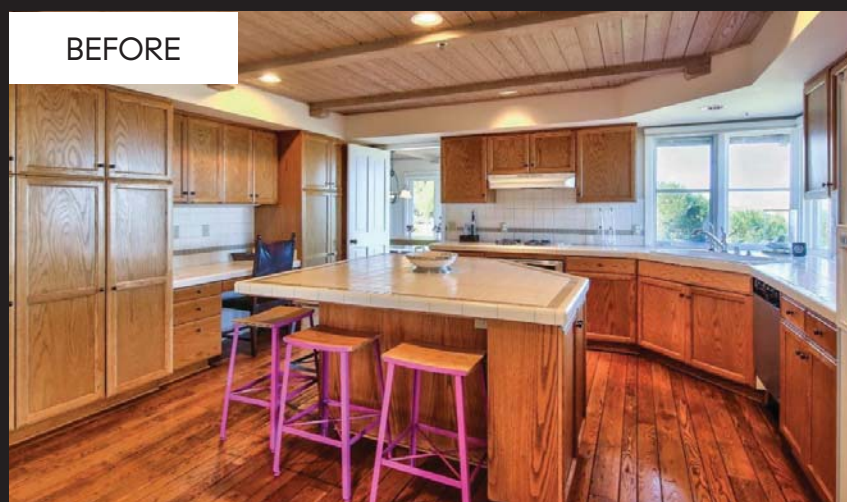
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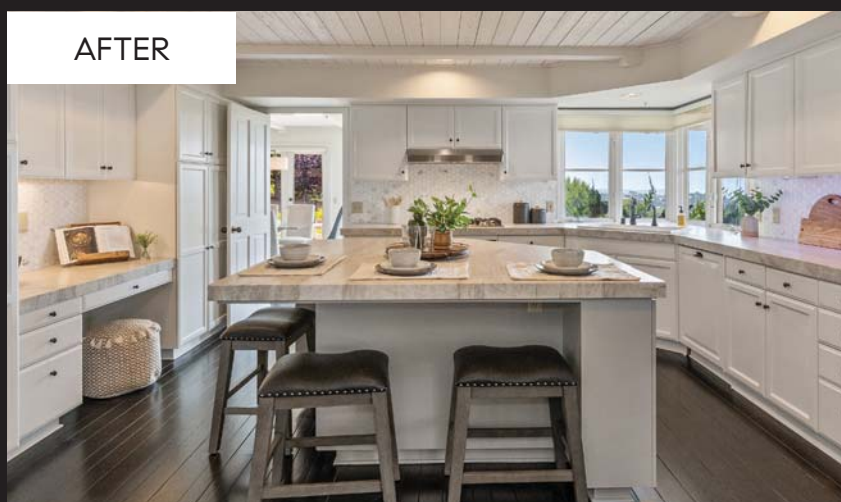
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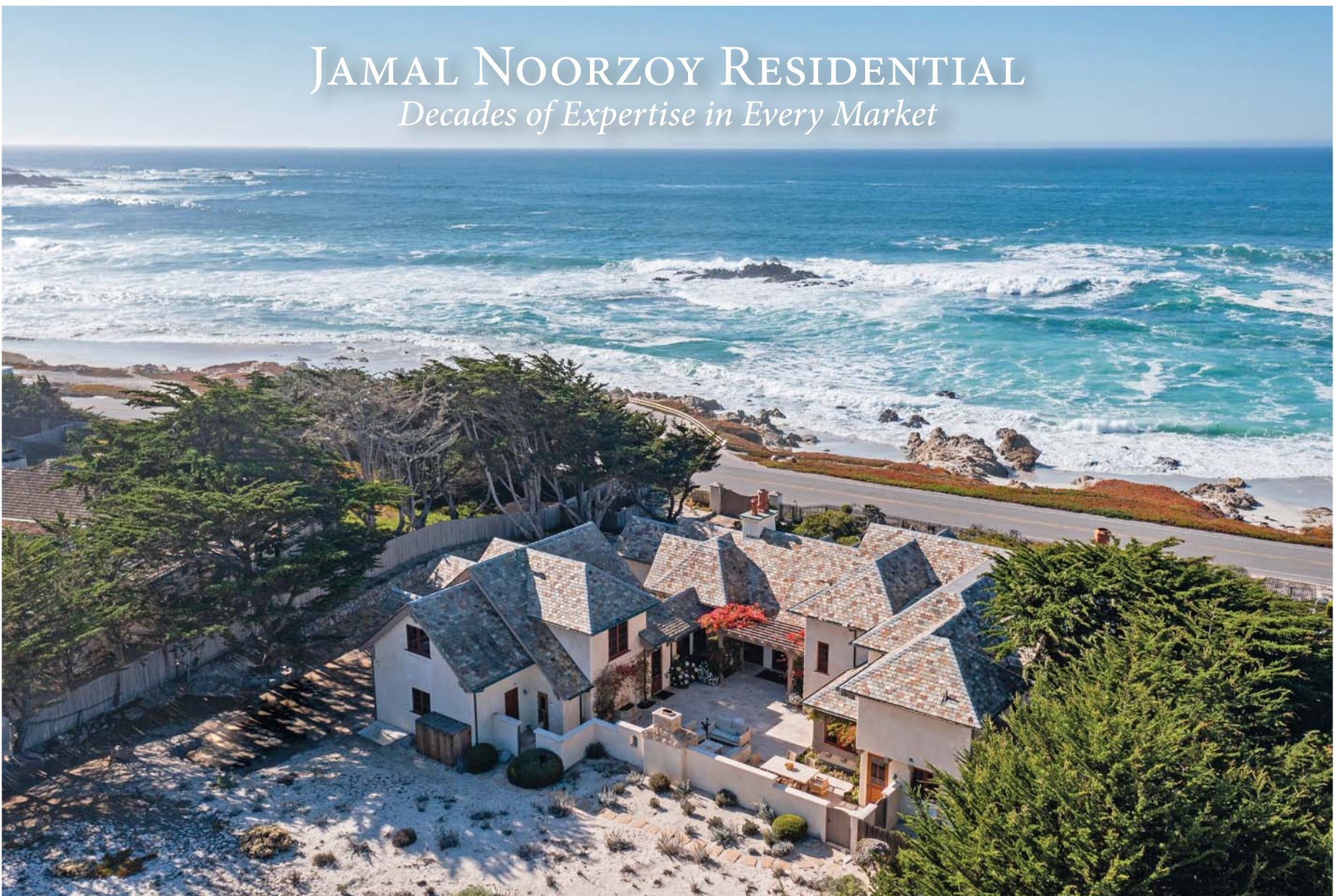
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POLICE LOG

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Pacific Grove: Request for a welfare check on 10th Street. Subject was transported to CHOMP.

Pacific Grove: Suspicious circumstances involving a boyfriend and girlfriend related to a domestic dispute. Unfounded.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a report of a suspicious circumstance regarding animals on Cachagua Road.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female was playing on the tennis courts at Forest Hill. When she returned to her vehicle she observed scratch marks on the mid and rear passenger side. There were construction workers at the resi-

dence where she parked her vehicle. She said the construction workers struck her vehicle with their construction truck flatbed. Officer spoke to one of the construction workers on scene, and he stated their manager was driving but did not strike the vehicle in any way. After further investigation, it is unlikely the truck caused the damage to the vehicle.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: AirPods in case found on the beach south of Del Mar near the surf line. Appear to be operable.

Pacific Grove: Subject on David Avenue reported a civil dispute regarding a vehicle purchase.

Pacific Grove: Issue on Sunset involving weapons and a 15-year-old juvenile.

Pacific Grove: Subject fell on the stairs at Lovers Point Park.

Pacific Grove: Report of suspicious circumstance on Crest involving possible access to banking information. Information only.

Pacific Grove: Suspects took a catalytic converter and fled from the area of Ninth Street in a white vehicle.

Carmel area: Deputies were dispatched to a medical alarm on Fairway Court.

Carmel area: Theft reported at Point Lobos.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a report of an assault on Carmel Valley Road. It was investigated, and none of the involved parties wanted to press charges.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Physical domestic with strangulation in the area of Dolores and Fourth at 0427 hours. Suspect fled the scene prior to the officer's arrival. Tracflyer and BOL sent out for the suspect; emergency protective order requested.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report taken for a lost ring.

Pacific Grove: Theft of bicycles occurred overnight on Pacific.

Pacific Grove: Hit-and-run collision on Jewell Avenue. No suspect information.

Pacific Grove: Subject fell while walk-

ing on the rec trail in the 400 block of Ocean View and was transported to NMC with injuries.

Pebble Beach: A deceased male was reported at a residence on Hermitage Road.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Unattended currency found on the ground outside of Bank of America on Rio Road. Currency was brought to Carmel P.D. for safekeeping and later turned over to sheriff's office.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Investigated an injury collision on Lincoln Street.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person came to the station to turn in a wallet found in a residential neighborhood at Seventh and Casanova.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report theft from a vehicle at Mission and Eighth.

Pacific Grove: A Social Security Number was fraudulently used to open a stock trading

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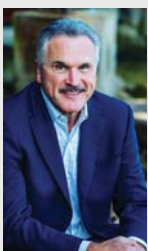
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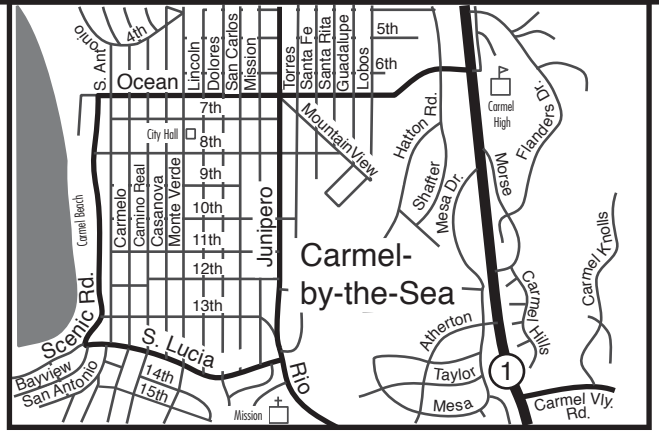
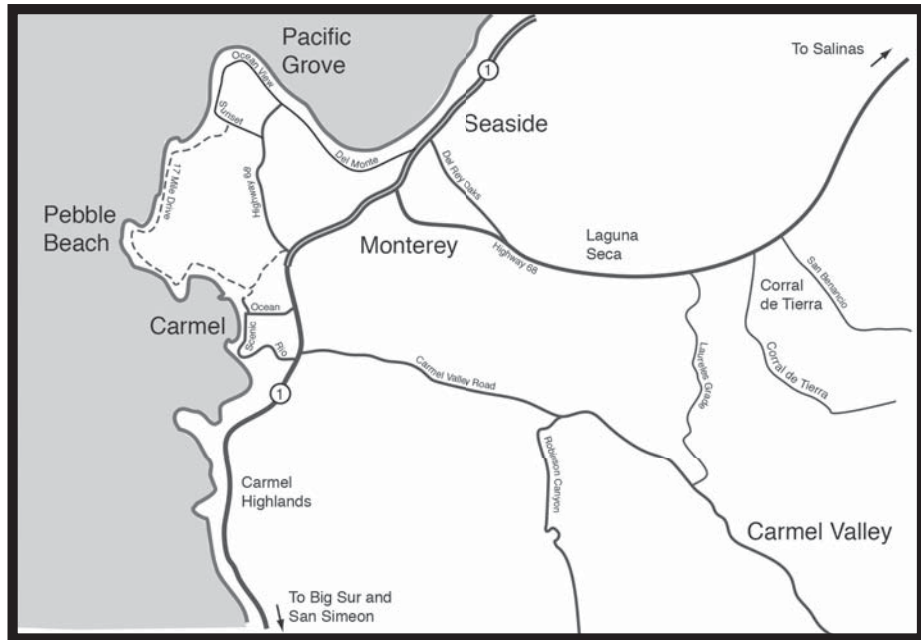
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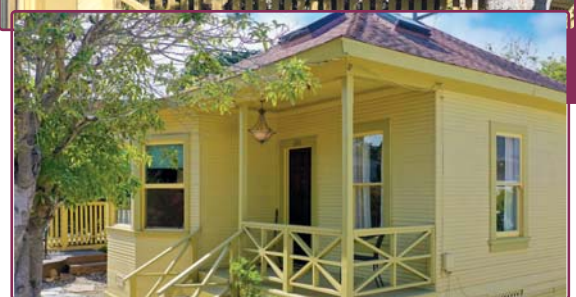
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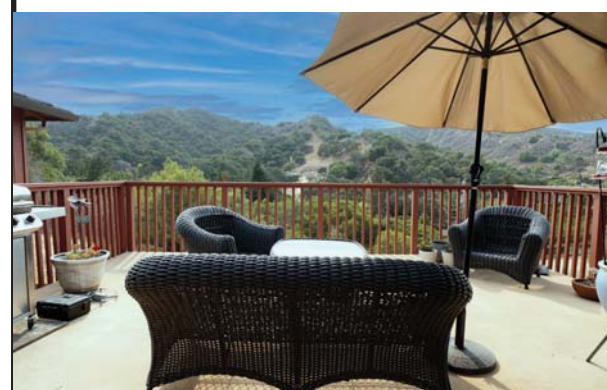
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account. No suspect info.

Pacific Grove: A 77-year-old female on Ocean View Boulevard reported that her son assaulted her. Late reported and conflicting statements. No arrest made.

Pacific Grove: Dispatched to a domestic dispute on Sixth Street.

Carmel area: A transient female pulled another female's hair as she walked past her on Carmel Rancho Boulevard.

Carmel Valley: Battery between two male residents on El Caminito. No prosecution requested.

Carmel area: Money was found in a parking lot on Rio Road and later turned in to the authorities.

Carmel area: An unknown female purchased merchandise with a fake \$100 bill at a business on Carmel Rancho Lane.

VETERANS DAY

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Two males ages 38 and 54 were arrested at Ocean and Carpenter at 0436 hours for possession of meth, drug paraphernalia, stolen property and burglary tools.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Burglary on Guadalupe south of Ocean.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 58-year-old female hairstylist from Carmel was booked on an arrest warrant for DUI.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle was towed

from Mission south of Seventh.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a lost phone near Nielsen's market at Seventh and San Carlos.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Runaway juvenile was located on Valley Place and removed from the missing persons database.

Pacific Grove: Suspicious circumstances. Unfounded report of someone drowning at Lovers Point Park.

Pacific Grove: Property damage on Central involving deer.

Pacific Grove: Mountain lion paw print reported on Crest.

Pacific Grove: A catalytic converter was stolen from the vehicle on Forest. No suspect info.

Carmel area: Deputies responded to a report of suspicious circumstances on Fern Canyon Road.

Pacific Grove: Runaway juvenile on 10th Street.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Damaged city property on Dolores. Upon inspection, it was undetermined if the damage was vehicle-related or by some other means. No information available to help determine the cause or timeframe.

Pacific Grove: Traffic violation on Ocean View Boulevard resulted in probation violation.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject came to the station to drop off a ring found on Carmel Beach. The ring was placed into safekeeping pending contact with an owner. Subject did

not wish to leave information or to claim the ring if the owner was not located.

Pacific Grove: Wedding dress found in roadway on Ocean View Boulevard. No owner information available.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle vs. pedestrian injury collision on Forest Avenue.

Pacific Grove: A 32-year-old female on Grove Acre was on probation and found to be in possession of a controlled substance and paraphernalia. Subject was cited and released.

Carmel area: Deputies investigated a domestic incident between former partners on Hilltop Road.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject on Monte Verde south of 11th reported leaving power tools on the roof of his car and driving away. The person wanted to make a report in case the tools were found.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Neighbor dispute on Guadalupe north of Third.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person reported losing one earring while visiting Anton & Michel restaurant.

Pacific Grove: Hit-and-run collision occurred on private property on Forest. Perpetrator unknown.

Pacific Grove: Barking dog/potential trespassing on Willow Street.

Pacific Grove: Fall on public property on Lighthouse.

Pacific Grove: Dispatched to a missing person with a threat of suicide. Subject was located on Lighthouse and placed on a 5150

hold [danger to self or others].

Carmel Valley: Deputies conducted probation check on Carmel Valley Road and found drugs and guns.

Carmel Valley: Verbal dispute involving a couple on Holman Road.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a verbal dispute between a bus driver and the passengers on Carmel Valley Road.

Carmel Valley: Traffic stop on Carmel Valley Road. The 39-year-old male driver was determined to be under the influence of alcohol.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Imitation firearm was located in a rental vehicle. Firearm was turned in to the Carmel Police Department.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male wanted to report losing his wallet while visiting Carmel Beach.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Responded to a request for assistance regarding an unsecured weapon displayed in a vehicle on Rio Road. Imitation firearm was collected and stored for safekeeping, pending criminal investigation.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a suspicious vehicle on Scenic north of Eighth with a subject inside. Subject was contacted and was listed as a missing person. Welfare was checked and subject found to be OK.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 62-year-old subject was arrested at Ocean and Hatton for driving under the influence of alcohol. Later determined to be below the legal BAC limit. Subject was released from custody with no proceedings desired.

GERVASE

From page 6RE

scape in local governance.

It's estimated that about half the city's nearly 29,000 residents are Muslim, according to census ancestry data, with many being of Arab and South Asian ethnicity. The city was originally a hub for Polish immigrants, and later became a haven to other newcomers as well.

There was a time back in the 1960's when I had lunch in Hamtramck every Fri-

day at the Old Mill Restaurant on Joseph Campau Street. The lightly battered cod served with French fries, salad, sumptuous pumpernickel and steins of cold beer drew scads of diners for lunch.

Small world

Back then, there were two Polish sausage plants, Jaworski's and Kowalski's, each with half-a dozen outlets along Campau Street. They were my second stop after lunch. The first was the Palace Bakery for pastries and pumpernickel. The old joke was that many stores had signs in the window that read, "English spoken here."

Hamtramck is not an unusual story in

this country. In a nation of immigrants, it's a very old story. American history is all about new religious and ethnic groups immigrating, striking fear in some quarters, and then overcoming that fear and moving into leadership positions.

More coincidence: I have a dear friend living in Carmel whose grandfather was once the chief of police in Hamtramck. Her parents were married there at St. Julian's church. The ever-shrinking world!

So there you go. The column about small talk and renewing a friendship had a bittersweet ending. Richard had a long and good life. He was a Marine who survived Iwo Jima. I can't imagine how many

lives he touched through his long stage and television career. He touched my life and brightened the wonderful in the short time I had with him. I don't know if the theater was a lifelong dream of his. Dreams are hard to catch.

There were 44 years between the first advertising copy I wrote and my first newspaper column.

Small talk and pumpernickel turned out to be nostalgic reminders of how unpredictable our lives can be. Sometimes we are one decision away from a totally different life.

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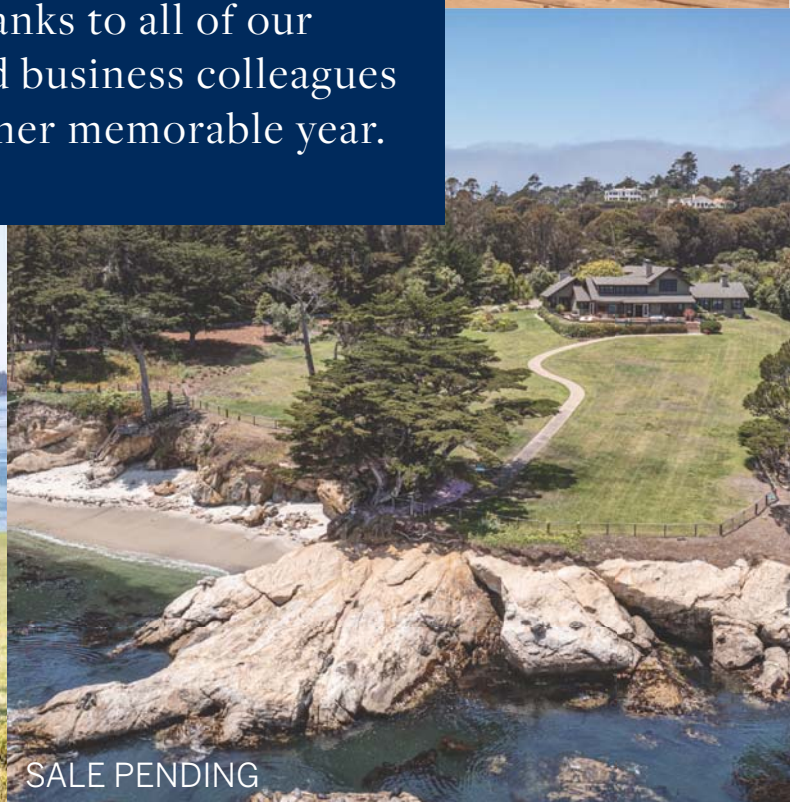


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Michael Hy to Julee Thomas
APN: 011-443-081

536 Pearl Street — \$715,000

Chan Hung to Pei Chang
APN: 001-722-002

125 Surf Way unit 331 — \$755,000

Michael Silva to John Mullen
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283 Larkin Street — \$1,150,000

Catherine Westfall to Jonathan Rasmussen
APN: 001-382-027

1121 Prescott Avenue — \$1,256,500

Michael Takigawa to Alan Chew
APN: 001-149-049

272 Larkin Street — \$1,300,000

Eileen King to Richard Sagin
APN: 001-381-017

980 Hellam Street — \$1,350,000

Lori Calvin to Kelsey Daniels
APN: 001-352-003

2066 Fremont Street — \$5,500,000

Ghidorah LLC to Sierra Auto Properties LLC
APN: 013-191-018

Pacific Grove

318 18th Street — \$650,000

Ann Morse and Littlefield Trust to Robert Walker and



25640 Rio Vista Drive, Carmel Valley — \$3,619,000

Robin McKee
APN: 006-297-004

731 Eardley Avenue — \$700,000

Maureen Cline to HBD Investments LLC
APN: 006-526-009

1123 Piedmont Avenue — \$750,000

Tim Bailey to Kerri Ramirez
APN: 007-585-004

828 Sinex Avenue — \$1,050,000

Karen Mignano to Annamaria Manuguerra
APN: 006-564-012

1254 Del Monte Blvd. — \$1,850,000

Michelle Potter and Ashley Larkin to Archana and Anil Mehta
APN: 006-015-014

1123 Balboa Avenue — \$3,300,000

Suzanne Skees to Brooks and Sheri Bell
APN: 006-041-004

Pebble Beach

4079 Sunridge Road — \$2,750,000

Micah and Deborah Combs to San and Amy Nunes
APN: 008-181-001

1070 Trappers Trail — \$3,025,000

Steve Wilson to Waterford Plaza LLC
APN: 007-473-012

1463 Cypress Drive — \$7,945,000

Thomas and Victoria McDowell to Richard and Regina Steele
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Seaside

1349 Vallejo Street — \$515,000

Darryl Cooper to IRA Investment Group Inc.
APN: 012-292-029

1448 La Salle Avenue — \$545,000

Ricardo Villareal to Penny Lane Equity Inc.
APN: 012-834-018

1513 Luxton Street — \$600,000

Kathryn Meyers to Pedro Valencia
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1466 Darwin Street — \$635,000

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1209 Darwin Street — \$699,000

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1051 Waring Street — \$905,000

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