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Tree news

### Oak grows against house, commission says move house

By MARY SCHLEY

A COAST live oak that's touching the roof of a home on Guadalupe northwest of Fifth can't be cut down, the forest and beach commission decided Dec. 9. Instead, commissioners told homeowner Jaynie Moore to make changes to the house.

Moore applied for a permit to remove the oak after a home inspector "informed her that the tree is coming in contact with the structure, and this presents an issue

See OAK page 24A



A resident asked for permission to cut down this oak because it's damaging her house, but the forest and beach commission told her to change the roof and keep the tree.

### HOMEOWNER TO PAY \$26K FOR DAMAGING NEIGHBOR'S PINE

By MARY SCHLEY

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m HE}$  FOREST and beach commission last week unanimously decided the owner of a property on Lobos Street should pay \$26,148 to a neighbor after a plumbing crew damaged a large Monterey Pine on the neighbor's property. While city forester Sara Davis had recommended the contractor be on the hook for the costs, the commission decided the people who hired him were responsible for the mishap.

Last August, All Service Plumbing was digging to repair a broken sewer line at the house on Lobos Street (three northwest of Third) at the request of the owner, named in city documents only as the Walton Trust but which assessor's records show was owned by James and Esther Walton of Santa Rosa. The plumbers cut large roots — greater than 2 inches in diameter — without a permit, Davis said.

"Additionally, the underground utilities were not marked before the excavation as required by state law, city encroachment and Carmel Area Wastewater District permits were not issued, and there was raw sewage noted in the excavation," Davis said, so a stop-work order was issued.

#### **Emergency removal**

Cutting the roots damaged the 41-inch-diameter pine so badly that it was at high risk of falling, according to Davis, so an emergency permit was issued to its owner, Ron Rembisz, who paid \$4,400 for the pine to be removed. Arborist Frank Ono appraised the value of the pine before the damage at \$17,000 using guidelines from the Council of Tree & Landscape Appraisers.

Davis said the contractor should pay for the value of the tree, the removal and the appraisal, for a total of \$26,147.71. She also said Dom Yanez, who owns the plumbing company, admitted being at fault and that she

See PINE page 24A

### City lawyers up in anticipation of Verizon lawsuit

By MARY SCHLEY

FOLLOWING ITS unanimous denial of Verizon Wireless' bid to install a cell tower on a power pole at Carmelo and Eighth last week, the city council at a special meeting Tuesday unanimously voted to hire another law firm to help it prepare for a legal battle with the telecom

Last July, the council hired Telecom Law Firm to assist with legal issues involving Verizon and any other companies interested in installing wireless facilities in town. Verizon applied for five locations in the residential neighborhood south of Ocean Avenue and was denied in 2019 after which the company moved two of the towers outside the city limits and then received permission to place one on the roof of Sunset Center. On Dec. 7, Verizon officials asked the council to OK another tower near La Playa and threatened litigation if they didn't get their way.

#### 'Prudent'

This week, council members considered signing a contract with Best, Best & Krieger for telecommunications legal services. The council is not getting rid of Telecom Law Firm — which was paid more than \$5,600 in October and has received a total of \$35,207 for its assistance so far but is adding another lawyer to its arsenal.

"At this time, we think it's prudent to retain additional legal counsel," said city attorney Brian Pierik, adding that law partner Gail Karish "is very experienced with telecommunications issues." He recommended hiring the firm.

According to her resume, Karish "represents public agencies in a wide range of telecommunications matters," and her firm has helped 50 cities and three counties in California, as well as many others out of state, craft their

ordinances on wireless communications.

"She helps clients with matters involving broadband and fiber networks, cable and telecom franchising, wireless communications and public-private partnership," according to her CV. Most of her clients are public agencies like local governments, water districts and municipal utilities that she assists with regulatory advice and advocacy, negotiations and drafting agreements.

Before entering private practice, Karish worked in-house for a Miami-based long-distance carrier, and

See VERIZON page 24A

### Two suspects in Fourtané robbery still on the loose

■ Chief optimistic they'll be caught

By MARY SCHLEY

THE 19-YEAR-OLD who was arrested in the smashand-grab at Fourtané Jewelers last Tuesday pleaded not guilty Dec. 9 to three felony counts of second-degree robbery using a deadly weapon — a sledgehammer — and was appointed a private attorney (paid by taxpayers) after the public defender's office said it couldn't represent him due to a conflict of interest.

Elijah Juarez, a Stockton resident, remained in Monterey County Jail this week on \$165,000 bail.

#### Smash and dash

Juarez and a 16-year-old unnamed suspect were arrested on Highway 1 in Marina by the California Highway Patrol shortly after the robbery, which occurred around 5 p.m. Dec. 7. Wearing black hoodies and masks, four people drove up to Fourtané at the corner of Lincoln and Ocean in a newer-model black SUV with no license plates, and three got out and ran into the store carrying

See FOURTANE page 21A

### PANETTA'S DISTRICT COULD LOSE SALINAS VALLEY

By KELLY NIX

A PROPOSAL to split Monterey County between two congressional districts isn't getting a very welcome reception from some local elected officials and business leaders.

Under a plan floated this month by the state's redistricting commission, the City of Salinas and most of South Monterey County would be removed from Democratic Rep. Jimmy Panetta's congressional district and added to the district that includes parts of the City of San Jose and San Luis Obispo County.

As it stands now, the 20th Congressional District, which Panetta represents, encompasses all of San Benito and Monterey counties and parts of Santa Clara and Santa Cruz counties.

But the California Redistricting Commission is redrawing the congressional boundaries to reflect population losses in the 2020 census and the elimination of one congressional seat for the state.

A proposed congressional boundary map released this week removes San Benito County and much of South Monterey County, including the cities of Salinas, Soledad, Gonzales, Greenfield and King City, from the 20th Congressional District and adds them to a district that includes

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### Nature is the classroom for Big Sur preschoolers



An innovative preschool that operates in Big Sur without a fixed address gives youngsters a chance to explore their curiosity and potential outdoors. See page 16A.



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### Downsized dog

SHE'D ALWAYS had a dog — cocker spaniels when her kids were growing up — and she understood, in moving to a canine community like Pacific Grove, she really should have one there. She's always loved golden retrievers but, when she left her San Francisco Bay area home, she downsized her house and her yard. She was thinking she should probably downsize her dog, as well. Maybe get a cuddly little lap dog.

It was her daughter who first saw the darling little pup in the window at Animal Friends Rescue Project, but then she fell in love with Amber, too, and brought her home.

"Amber is absolutely adorable," her person said. "A little over 6 pounds, she's a blonde little thing with the face of a Yorkie but is clearly part Chihuahua. Every day is a bad hair day for her."

Amber was found on the streets of Salinas, her back legs broken from when she was run over by a bike. Sur-

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# The carmel Pine Cone will be observing early deadlines for Christmas week

Christmas: Issue Dec. 24

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Legal deadline:

Monday, December 20, 5 p.m.

**Real Estate** — Deadline is Tuesday, December 21, 10 a.m. for all ad submission Open houses: Monday, December 20, 10 a.m.

### New Year's: Issue Dec. 31

Regular deadlines are in place for New Years.

The Pine Cone office will be CLOSED Friday, December 24 & Monday, December 27. Thereafter we will resume regular office hours.

### By Lisa Crawford Watson



gery saved her legs and her life, and her person helps her feel safe.

"Once in a while, when she runs, Amber will use just three legs," her person said. "But most of the time, you'd never notice she'd been injured."

Amber loves going on walks through town and to the beach, but she's particularly enamored of her person's three little granddaughters. She met each as a baby, and although she's always been smaller than the children, she considered herself their nanny until the kids could crawl.

Amber's person, in developing a mystery party for a friend's beach birthday, wrote a special role for a guest into the evening's mystery, just so she could ensure that Amber had a part in the play.

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### Judge denies mother's demand for MENORAH AT SCHOOL TREE LIGHTING

By MARY SCHLEY

A U.S. District Court judge last Thursday denied Carmel River School mother Shel Lyons' request for an order requiring the school to let her display a 6-foot inflatable menorah at a tree-lighting hosted by the PTA. Lyons had sued the Carmel Unified School District, superintendent Ted Knight and principal Jay Marden in federal court Dec. 7 alleging violation of her and her children's First Amendment rights, and accusing them of discriminating against Jewish families and other minorities by emphasizing Christmas.

But U.S. District Court Judge Beth Freeman said Lyons' complaints didn't rise to the level of justifying an order requiring the PTA to include the menorah at the tree lighting. The court hearing took place Dec. 9, and the judge ruled against Lyons then. She further articulated her position in an order published Friday, Dec. 10 — the same day the tree was lit.

#### Requests denied

The battle began when Lyons learned the PTA was planning to hold an afterschool event that involved lighting and decorating a tree on the River School grounds. Lyons asked the PTA if she could bring the menorah, and the group's president agreed but deferred to Marden for a final decision, according to the judge. Marden responded that he was "fully supportive of including a menorah or any other secular or religious symbol at the tree lighting."

On Dec. 3, he sent out a schoolwide email inviting everyone to bring an ornament "that reflects their families' values, heritage and/or faith" to place on the tree and asking that it be no larger than what could fit in a paper lunch bag, "due to capacity limitations.'

"Ms. Lyons does not own a menorah

that can fit inside a paper lunch bag, and she does not believe that a menorah is an appropriate Christmas tree ornament," the judge wrote.

In response, Lyons created a nearly identical flier to the PTA's that advertised a "River Families Menorah Lighting" and encouraged families to 'bring menorahs that reflect their families' values, heritage and/or faith."

Marden and Knight subsequently told her the event's parameters did not include a blowup menorah, and the district's lawyer advised her she could request to use school grounds for her own menorah-lighting event, just as the PTA did for the tree lighting.

#### Didn't meet standards

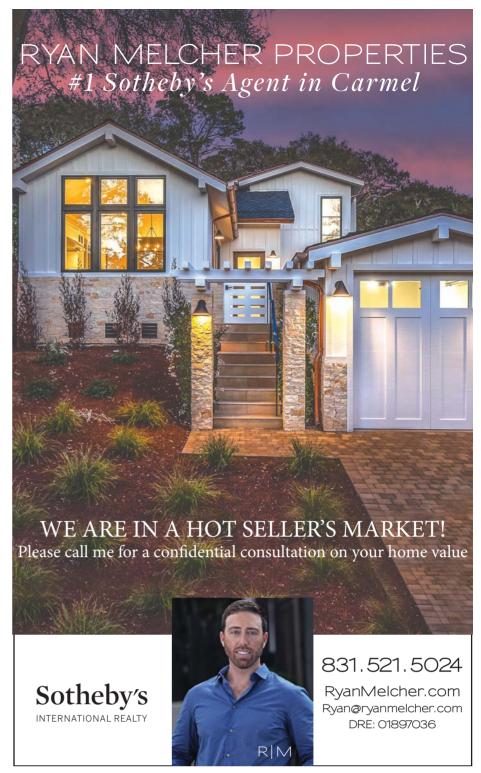
Freeman said she couldn't order the school to allow Lyons' menorah at the tree lighting because she failed to prove she would probably win her case when it eventually went to trial, that she would suffer irreparable harm if she didn't get to display her menorah, and that ordering the school district to let her would be in the public interest. The judge noted that an injunction is "an extraordinary remedy that may only be awarded upon a clear showing that the plaintiff is entitled to such relief.'

Forcing the inclusion of the menorah could only be done if Lyons could "establish that the law and facts clearly favor her position, not simply that she is likely to succeed," Freeman said, quoting case law.

"Plaintiffs have not satisfied this heavy burden as to any of the claims alleged in the complaint," Freeman wrote.

Specifically, while Lyons sees the tree lighting as overtly Christian at the exclusion of other religions, Freeman said the Supreme Court "has held that 'the

See MENORAH page 31A





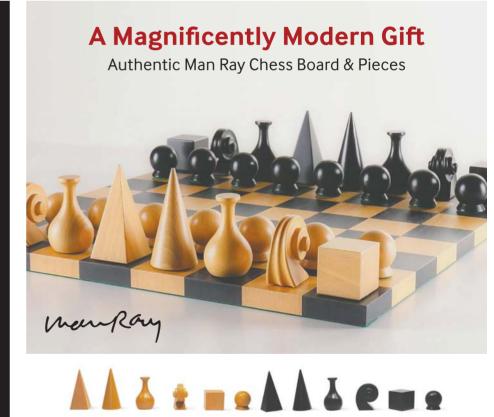
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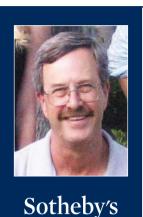


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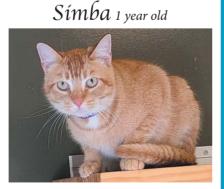


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### Police & Sheriff's Log

December 17, 2021

### Please get that dog a house key

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.

The Carmel Pine Cone

#### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28**

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Domestic violence, stalking, and robbery involving a male taking a cell phone from a female with whom he was in a relationship. Incident occurred on Dolores between Fifth and Sixth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Bracelet lost while

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Phone report of hazard and fall on city property at Ninth and

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Adult male was warned about trespassing at two businesses downtown in the area of Dolores and Seventh. Information only.

Pacific Grove: A 24-year-old male was cited and released on Ocean View Boulevard at 0025 hours for possession of marijuana over 28.5 grams

Pacific Grove: A blood glucose monitor was brought into the station as found prop-

Pacific Grove: Vehicle stopped on Arena for a vehicle code violation. The 23-yearold male driver was found to be driving on suspended license and had outstanding arrest warrants. Passenger was found to be in possession of a large amount of marijuana. The 37-year-old passenger cited and released. Driver was arrested and booked into jail.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a report of fraud on East Carmel Valley Road.

#### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29**

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Check fraud reported at Ocean and Junipero.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Cell phone found on the beach. The cell phone will not charge.

Pacific Grove: Dog owner on Glen Lake Road bitten by own dog.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle towed from Eighth east of San Carlos for expired regis-

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Cell phone found on a wall ledge at Santa Fe and Fourth. The phone number is not registered.

> See POLICE LOG page 13RE in the Real Estate Section



### The gavel falls

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

Nov. 8 — Judge Carrie M. Panetta sentenced Alvaro Corona-Aguirre, 20, of Salinas, to a 20-year, four-month prison term for two counts of attempted murder, gang offenses, and firearm possession for his participation in an April 7, 2018, shooting in Salinas.

Corona-Aguirre, then 17 and a Norteño gang member, and fellow Norteño gang members Mark Valenzuela, 25, and Miguel Jimenez, 19, circled a neighborhood in East Salinas in Valenzuela's vehicle. Valenzuela parked on Towt Street and Jimenez and Corona-Aguirre exited Valenzuela's vehicle, both opening fire on two individuals conversing in front of their residence. Neither individual suffered gunshot injuries. After the shooting, Corona-Aguirre and Jimenez returned to Valenzuela's awaiting vehicle and the trio fled the area. Minutes after this shooting, Salinas police officers stopped Valenzuela's vehicle for traffic violations 3.5 miles from the scene of the shooting. This contact concluded with the issuance of a citation to Valenzuela.

Subsequent investigation and review of surveillance footage gathered in the investigation identified the vehicle as Valenzuela's. Body camera footage from the traffic stop identified Jimenez and Corona-Aguirre as the shooters. In 2019, Valenzuela received a 17year prison sentence and Jimenez received a 20-year, four-month prison sentence. As required by law, because of his age at the time of the offense, Corona-Aguirre was originally charged in juvenile court. Following a lengthy hearing on his suitability for his case to be handled in juvenile court, the court granted the People's motion to transfer Corona-Aguirre's case to adult court.

Nov. 15 — A jury found Carlos Hernandez, 32, guilty of one count of misdemeanor battery on his child's parent and two counts of cruelty to a child.

On June 18, 2021, Jane Doe, the mother of Hernandez' four children, went to Hernandez' residence to pick up their young daughter. During the custody exchange an argument ensued. Hernandez grabbed and pulled Doe's hair and then punched her in the face in the presence of three of their young children. Doe drove immediately to a safe location, called 911 and waited for police to arrive. Greenfield Police Officers Jesus Rangel and Erik Santiago were dispatched to Doe's location and investigated the domestic violence

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### COUNTY WORKER DIES IN WRECK

By MARY SCHLEY

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m A}$  45-YEAR-OLD Monterey County Public Works employee died in an accident on Laureles Grade late on the morning of

Latu Moli was driving a 2021 Freightliner southbound on the grade south of Southview Lane at around 11 a.m. when he lost control of the large tractor trailer, which hit a guardrail before rolling down the hillside, according to California Highway Patrol officer Chad Cavender's report.

The rig was traveling about 40 mph at the time of the fatal accident occurred, Cavender said, and it's unknown why Moli, a 14-year employee of the county, lost control of it. He died at the scene.

County spokeswoman Maia Carroll said Moli had been hauling heavy equipment to a public works jobsite when he crashed, and that Cal OSHA was also informed of the tragic accident.

"The county mourns the loss of a member of our county employee family, and our hearts go out to family and friends," she

Soon after Moli's death, friend Anna Soberanes set up a gofundme.com campaign to help raise money for his funeral expenses and to help his family.

"Our dear friend and coworker, Latu Moli, was tragically killed in a car accident on Monday, Dec. 6, while traveling to his work site. Latu has been a road worker for Monterey County Public Works for almost 14 years," she wrote.

"Latu is survived by his wife and three daughters. We are attempting to raise money to assist them with the funeral costs and other related expenses."

By Thursday, the \$10,000 goal had been exceeded by \$14,200, with donations coming in from nearly 400 people.

### Next hearing in vandalism case not until February 2022

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

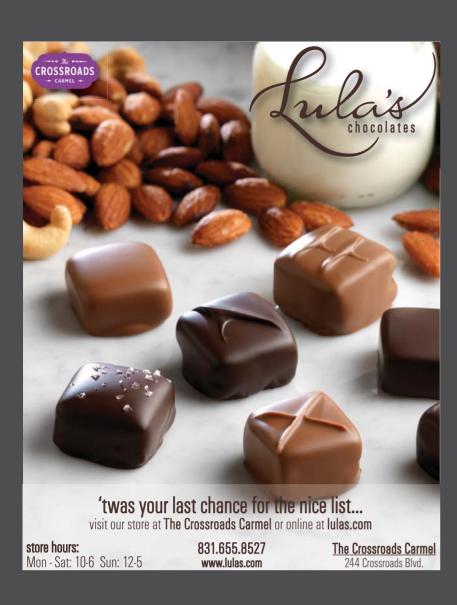
The 27-Year-old Napa man arrested in late October for 10 felony counts of vandalism following a downtown graffiti spree is next set to face a judge next February.

At a hearing to discuss when to set the preliminary hearing in the case against Gabriel Walker, Monterey County Superior Court Judge Mark Hood decided Dec. 7 that he should return on Feb. 3, 2022. At that hearing — assuming the lawvers and judge confirm the date when they meet two days beforehand — the prosecution will present the evidence against Walker, and the judge will determine whether there's sufficient cause to send the case to trial.

Walker was arrested at his home in Napa Nov. 1, several days after he allegedly vandalized buildings, railings and a vehicle, causing thousands of dollars in damage during a nighttime spree while he was in town for a wedding. Police were able to identify him through significant amounts of security footage and records searches, which revealed he was on probation for a DUI in Napa County. He is out on bail.

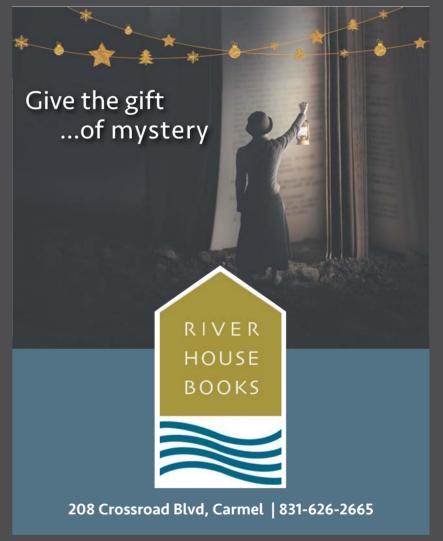
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### Plaza indoor golf venue gets OK for live music, trivia nights, karaoke

By MARY SCHLEY

THE LINKS Club can now host musicians and other entertainment - including karaoke, which has been prohibited in the past — the planning commission unanimously decided last week. The large ground-floor Carmel Plaza business, which contains golf simulators in several bays and serves beer, wine and food, plans to offer a few events each week, including sports trivia night and open mic night, to draw more groups and families, according to owner April Montgomery.

A city ordinance hailing back to the 1930s bans live music where alcohol is sold or served, but in 2005, the city approved a system for issuing permits to restaurants, bars and tasting rooms interested in hosting

the playing "of any musical instrument or instruments with or without vocal accompaniment where alcoholic beverages are sold and/or served to the public," as long as they honor noise limits.

Associate planner Evan Kort recommended the commission approve the permit and additional uses for the Links Club at the Dec. 8 meeting.

#### Popups worked

Montgomery said her application was prompted by requests from customers seeking other activities, including those that are fun for families.

"We did some popups," she said, including family karaoke on Sundays, to see whether the new offerings would draw more patrons. "We had people who have come back since then and said they had a really good time."

Links Club's occupancy is 125 people, and there's plenty of space to accommodate everyone who might want to come, she said. Montgomery also told the commission that their trial events had not garnered any complaints about noise or anything else.

A resident and the GM at the Plaza spoke in favor of the application, and no one objected.

Planning commissioners generally supported it, too, though they worried about crowds and the business somehow morphing into a concert hall in the future.

"Having more entertainment options in Carmel is excellent," said commissioner Chris Bolton. "I have some concerns about future use and expansion.'

Commissioner Robert Delves said all the proposed additional uses for the Links Club would fit well with its main purpose of "commercial recreation," and he cautioned the rest of the commission against 'trying to future-proof this."

"I think we're OK — I'm not concerned," he said. "If they were to change it into a concert hall, they would be changing the primary use," which would require planning commission approval.

Commissioners decided the permit should expire in five years, rather than the 10 the code calls for, at which point the planning director could renew it. Commissioners also wanted the occupancy stated on the permit.

#### Karaoke's OK

The code also states that any establishment that receives three complaints in a one-year period will have its permit revoked by the planning commission, so there's plenty of reason for the Links Club to ensure none are made, Kort reminded commissioners.

He also offered a different interpretation of the section stating that "live music permits shall not include karaoke activities."

While in the past that has been taken to mean karaoke is banned — the planning commission in 2006 denied a bar's request to host it because patrons might be inclined to ignore sound limits if they are "over served and want to impress their friends" planning director Brandon Swanson told The Pine Cone after the meeting that he and Kort consider the activity to be acceptable regardless of whether a live-music permit is issued.

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### Braxton's toy drive ends Dec. 21

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m T}$ HE PARENTS of Braxton Stuntz, who drowned at Garrapata Beach in January 2019 while showing some college friends the area, are hosting their annual toy drive to get gifts to homeless kids in time for Christmas and to honor the giving spirit and philanthropic work of their son.

Last year's effort saw 2.200 toys collected and distributed to disadvantaged children, his mother, Ruth Baltes, said.

"Braxton had a short but impactful life. He was a thoughtful and giving person. As a young boy, he would buy toys and place them in the local collection bin during the holidays," she said.

"He knew that giving was more of a gift than anything he could receive," she

Collection boxes can be found in Carmel and around the Peninsula. Gifts should be new and cost no more than \$25.

Toys will be collected through Dec. 21 and will be distributed at the American Farm Workers building in Salinas.

For more information, go to braxtonstuntzfoundation.org.



### After being kicked out of C.V., 'Legends' could move to P.G.

By KELLY NIX

THE PACIFIC Grove City Council Wednesday night OK'd the first step in hosting another automobile-related event in the city during Car Week.

Public Works superintendent Daniel Gho recommended councilmembers consider bringing The Legends of the Autobahn to the municipal golf links on Aug. 18, 2022. Gho said it would be a "full cost recovery special event," meaning organizers would reimburse Pacific Grove for related costs.

'The council approved it as a concept," he told The Pine Cone Thursday morning. "We will meet with event organizers and begin discussions."

The all-German Legends of the Autobahn, in its 11th year, was set to be hosted in Carmel Valley this year before the location was axed at the last minute and organizers had to scramble to make arrangements at the Monterey County Fairgrounds.

The car show's organizers are looking for a new venue at the same time Pacific Grove would like to replace the loss of a car auction that was held during Car Week on the 18th Hole of the city's golf course. Worldwide Auctioneers informed P.G. it would not be returning to the city next year for the event, Gho said.

"The departure of Worldwide Auctioneers has opened the door for Pacific Grove and the golf links to host a prestigious Car Week event, the Legends of the Autobahn," Gho said in a report to the council.

#### **Location options**

Gho said there are two options on

the golf course where the show could be held. Holding it on the front nine would not require a coastal development permit because it is outside the coastal zone, but would "entail significant planning and logistics," Gho said.

Holding the event on the 18th Hole would require a coastal development permit and major planning and logistics. Gho said the 18th Hole is preferred and would be less disruptive to golf course operations, but timing on getting a permit might prohibit the city from pursuing that location.

The Legends of Autobahn event typically attracts approximately 400 display cars and 100-150" people, Gho said. Setup would occur a day before the event and cleanup immediately after the show.

#### Traffic concerns

The car show would be hosted by the Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce and the BMW Car Club of America.

As for the auction that will no longer be held in Pacific Grove, Indiana-based Worldwide Auctioneers was two years into a five-year contract with the city when the Covid-19 pandemic hit, causing the event to be canceled in 2020 and again this year.

The company had agreed to reimburse the city for improvements made to the 18th Hole for the auction. There is one year left on the contract, and Gho said Worldwide has vowed to pay the balance.

"The amount of the invoice for Worldwide Auctioneers is \$66,766.19," city administrative services director Tori Hannah told The Pine Cone this week. "The principal amount is \$66,000 and the remainder is interest."

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### Petition drive could unseat Steck on county education board

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE RECENT appointment of Annette Yee Steck as a trustee to the Monterey County Board of Education could be derailed after four parents' groups gathered nearly 1,000 signatures of residents opposing the choice. They say Steck doesn't have a child in the system, and they contend she has a business that creates a conflict of interest.

In response, Steck conceded her one child is grown, but suggested it shouldn't have any bearing on her work as a trustee. She also insisted she has no business in the county that could be considered a conflict.

After trustee Harvey Kuffner died in September at 90, the board of education voted unanimously in November to choose Steck as his successor. But that led to the petition drive opposing her appointment. As a trustee, Steck represents Carmel, Carmel High-

lands, Carmel Valley, Big Sur and Pacific Grove, along with parts of Del Monte Forest and Monterey.

The groups opposing Steck's appointment — California

Parents United, California Schools Alliance, ACT Monterey Bay and Latinos for Medical Freedom — say they want to be represented by someone with kids in the system.

"Our groups believe this seat should have been filled by a person with a child in the Monterey County public school system," parent and attorney Tracy Henderson of California Parents United said.

#### Opponents claim conflict

When the board appointed Steck in November, Henderson was the only other candidate who applied for the position. The leader of another group expressed concerns about how objective Steck would be as a trustee.

"The board's choice was not a good pick because she and her husband have conflicts of interest," Carina Powers of Latinos for Medical Freedom. "For example, Ms. Steck's profession is selling school bonds to school districts. I watched the interview process as I spoke for the alternative candidate and was very surprised that only one trustee seemed to understand this important issue.'

Dalila Epperson of ACT Monterey Bay insisted the opposition to Steck isn't partisan.

"It was amazing how much community interest there was in this issue across party lines," reported Epperson, a Republican who plans to run against Jimmy Panetta for Congress in 2022. "I spent many days at the Pacific Grove post office collecting signatures, and rarely did someone refuse to sign when I explained the issue."

It's unclear who from the opposition would run for trustee if an election is called for — Henderson said she's not intending to run.

#### 'I don't sell bonds'

Steck, who served on the board of the Carmel Unified School District for 27 years before retiring a year ago, told The Pine Cone she became interested in the trustee position only after Kuffner died.

"This was not something I was seeking," she told The

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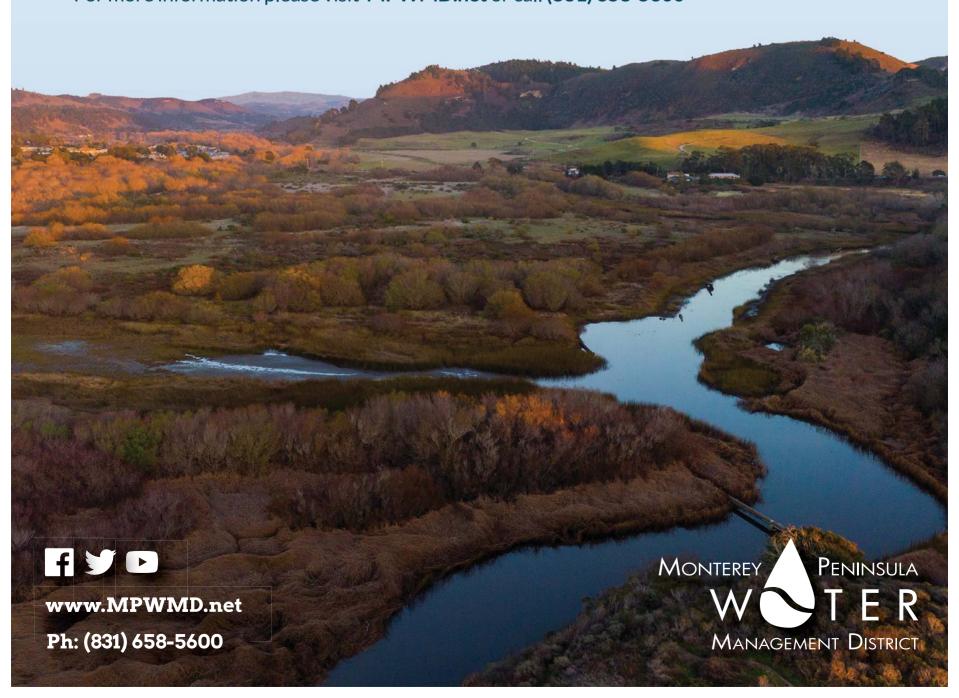


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### 'Frighteningly beautiful' phantom jellyfish caught on video in Monterey Bay

By KELLY NIX

A RARELY photographed deep-sea creature that can grow to more than 30 feet long was captured on camera last month mysteriously slinking around the depths of Monterey Bay.

While operating a remotely controlled submarine at depths of more than 3,000 feet, specialists with the Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute spotted the deepsea enigma, a giant phantom jellyfish. MBARI posted a remarkable 54-second video on YouTube of the giant phantom jelly — an apropos name given its long, flowing ghost-like "mouth arms."

Although MBARI said it has logged thousands of dives using remotely operated vehicles, it's only captured the giant phantom jellyfish on camera nine times — accounting for nearly 10 percent of all the instances scientists around the world have photographed the majestic species.

#### **Seldom spotted**

"The giant phantom jelly was first collected in 1899," according to the research institute based in Moss Landing. "Since then, scientists have only encountered this animal about 100 times. It appears to have a worldwide distribution and has been recorded in all ocean basins except for the Arctic.'

The helmet-like head, or bell, of Stygiomedusa gigantea, is more than 3 feet across, and its ribbon-like arms can grow more than 33 feet, MBARI said. The species is believed to eat plankton and small fish.

While trawl nets have been used to study deep-water fish, crustaceans and squid, jellies, including the phantom variety, jellyfish turn to "gelatinous goo" in those nets, MBARI said. Using submarines operated remotely by researchers has helped them better understand jellies and other species without killing them.

Phantom jellyfish can exist on the ocean's surface and as far down as 22,000

feet, but the species dwells primarily in the "bathypelagic zone" — a dark, frigid and mysterious area 3,000 feet to 13,000 feet below that's also home to the other creatures

It's unlikely you'll ever spot a giant phantom jellyfish while taking a dip — or even SCUBA diving — in

Monterey Bay. Fortunately, the rare animal was caught on video last month by researchers.

People are fascinated with the phantom jellyfish MBARI photographed, and by Thursday the YouTube

video had logged nearly 1.5 million views. "This is incredible," one person said of the footage. "I never knew jellies could get this big. It's amazing how you guys were able to capture footage of this one without caus-

that nightmares are made of, including the bat-wing-like

Popular video

vampire squid, deep sea anglerfish and gulper eel.

"This thing is frighteningly beautiful," another person said of the species, which resemble "dementors," the soul-consuming beings that feed on human happiness in the Harry Potter films.

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# Monkee, music video pioneer and C.V. local, Nesmith dies at 78

By CHRIS COUNTS

A LONGTIME Carmel Valley resident and arguably the most talented member of the Monkees band, singer Michael Nesmith died of heart failure Dec. 10.

"With infinite love we announce that Michael Nesmith passed away this morning in his home, surrounded by family, peacefully and of natural causes," his family said Friday on his website, videoranch. com. "We ask that you respect our privacy at this time and we thank you for the love and light that all of you have shown him and us."

As a youngster, Nesmith watched his family's fortunes rise when his mother, a secretary named Bette Nesmith Graham, invented Liquid Paper. But he didn't take up music until after he joined the U.S. Air Force and became an aircraft mechanic.

After his honorable discharge from the Air Force, Nesmith was gifted an acoustic guitar by his parents. When he won a talent contest with it at San Antonio College, he moved to Los Angeles and started playing in folk clubs.

In 1965, Nesmith auditioned for a part in a new TV show, "The Monkees." He landed the role of Mike, who wore a wool hat and played the guitar — though it would be two years before producers would allow Nesmith and his bandmates to actually play their instruments on the show — and then only after Nesmith led a rebellion.

Like the Beatles had done two years earlier, the Monkees took the pop music world by storm during the summer of 1966. Their debut single, "Last Train to Clarksville," was the first of three No. 1 hits — "I'm a Believer" and "Daydream Believer" also reached the top of the charts.

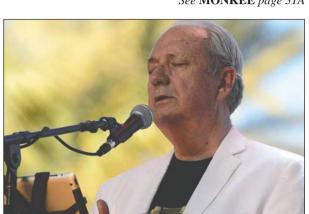
Nesmith, meanwhile, began writing music for others. One of his songs, "Different Drum," was a big hit for the Stone Poneys, launching the career of its then-unknown lead singer, Linda Ronstadt.

#### Helped pioneer country rock

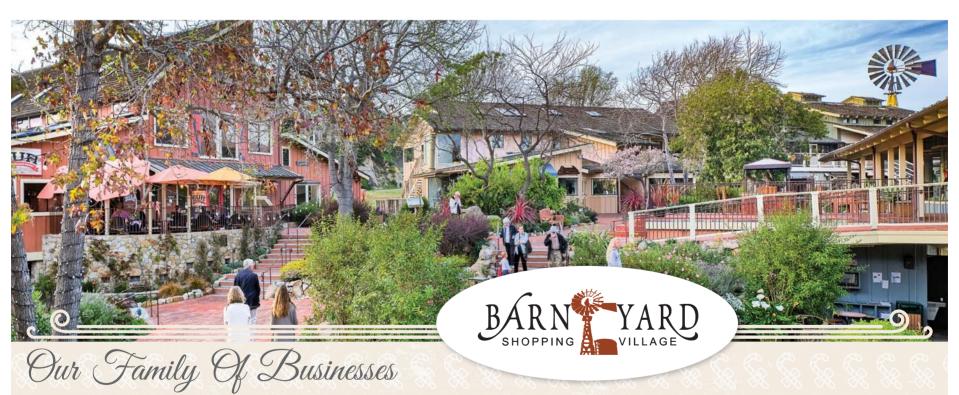
By the late 1960s, the Monkees' success had waned. Meanwhile, Nesmith founded the pioneering country-rock group, the First National Band, writing most of the songs, including "Joanne," which was a Top-40 pop hit in 1970, and an even bigger hit in Canada, Australia and New Zealand. He also co-wrote "I've Never Loved Anyone More," which became a hit for country singer Lynn Anderson.

Nesmith also began producing songs and videos. He produced albums for Ian Matthews, Bert Jansch and others, and made a video for singer Lionel Richie. In

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A former member of the Monkees made-for-TV band, longtime Carmel Valley resident Michael Nesmith passed away Dec. 10 at 78



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### Prison for ID thief who stole cars and faked Covid tests

By MARY SCHLEY

A 47-YEAR-OLD Monterey woman who stole cars — including one that she drove to a criminal hearing at the courthouse — and committed identity theft and fraud — including falsifying positive Covid-19 tests so she could avoid other court dates — was sentenced last week to 11 years and four months in state prison.

Also convicted of several other crimes, Rosa Maria Best, Monterey County deputy district attorney Brian Loftus said, embarked on a spree that ran from December 2017 to last April.

Four years ago, she opened an executive membership at Costco in Salinas using a false identity and then ran up more than \$500 worth of purchases, followed by nearly \$3,200 more she paid for with cash cards she obtained through fraud.

She then tried to buy almost \$4,000 worth of items with a check, but that transaction was declined, according to Loftus.

#### A life of crime?

Although she has been the subject of 10 felony cases since 2008, including the current ones, her recent spree came to light in August 2018 after a neighbor found a bag containing a laptop computer, numerous pieces of opened mail and several forms of ID, including five fraudulent driver's licenses with her photo but different names and dates of birth, Loftus said. The bag, which the neighbor had turned over to police, also contained personal information for 13 additional victims — all of whom reported having mail stolen.

Then, on April 10, 2019, Seaside and Del Rey Oaks police officers interrupted a burglary at a home in Del Rey Oaks, and the suspects fled in the resident's car after stealing a safe that contained jewelry and credit cards. Ninety minutes later, Best was caught on video using one of the stolen credit cards to buy gas, and the next

day she went on a shopping spree totaling \$1,045.

In May, June and July of that year, Best was caught with three stolen rental cars, Loftus said — two from Victory Toyota and one from Hertz.

She even showed up to a court hearing in Salinas on Dec. 10, 2019, in a car that had been stolen in Hollister. When Monterey County Sheriff's deputies tried to follow

her after she left court, they "were not able to due to her erratic driving at more than 100 mph," Loftus said, but she was eventually arrested near Toro Park.

#### Got Covid?

On March 25 of this year, Best failed to appear in court but provided a test result showing she had Covid-19, according to Loftus. That ruse worked, so she did it again a month later, and "subsequent investigation revealed that the test results were fraudulent, and that she created those documents and pro-

vided them to the court to avoid her court dates." Turning in fake results to get out of hearings amounted to "falsifying evidence submitted to court."

Finally, on March 26, 2021, sheriff's deputies were surveilling a stolen vehicle in Seaside when they saw Best drive into the area and speak to a man identified as Francis Humes. He got into the stolen car and led Best to a parking lot, where he abandoned the vehicle and got into hers. Deputies attempted to stop her, but she again led them on a chase that they terminated for safety reasons.

When officers finally found her car, they discovered checking account information and debit cards belonging to more victims of identity theft.

Loftus said the cases were solved and Best convicted thanks to the help of 10 different law enforcement agencies, including Carmel P.D.

On Dec. 8, Monterey County Superior Court Judge Carrie Panetta sentenced Best to the lengthy term in state prison.

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### STORM TRIGGERS SLIDES, EVACUATION WARNINGS

By CHRIS COUNTS

HIGHWAY 1 reopened Wednesday afternoon, three days after Caltrans closed a 45-mile stretch of the scenic route between Deetjen's Big Sur Inn and Ragged Point in anticipation of the forecasted "atmospheric river" that arrived Sunday.

While the storm brought lots of wind and rain, the scenic route fared pretty well and sustained only minor damage. "Despite 12 inches of rain in 24 hours at some of the peaks, most portions of Highway 1 on the Big Sur coast fared well during the recent rain event," Kevin Drabinski of Caltrans reported.



At this site along Highway 1 just north of the Big Creek Bridge, netting holding back rocks and debris was damaged, and some material spilled onto the highway

At Cow Cliffs, which is just north of the Big Creek Bridge, netting holding back rocks and debris was damaged, and some material spilled onto the highway. At Paul's Slide just south of Lucia, k-rails held back slide material. At several other sites along the scenic route, rocks and debris fell on the pavement — the last slide, just south of Julia Pfeiffer Burns State Park, was cleared after a brief closure Thursday morning.

In response to the road damage, Caltrans signed a \$1.3 million emergency contract with Papich Construction, which began repairing the sites and removing the debris. Even though Highway 1 has been reopened, work will continue at Cow Cliffs and Paul's Slide, and motorists can expect some delays.

And as is usually the case, some residents reported power and phone outages during and after the storm.

#### Mudslide warning issued

Before the storm arrived, the Monterey County Sheriff's Office issued an evacuation warning for residents who live near areas that were burned by the 2020 Dolan Fire, which scorched more than 128,000 acres.

According to officials, those neighborhoods are at an increased risk for flooding and landslides. "Areas that have experienced increased runoff, flooding, debris and/or mudflows since the fires in August 2020 will likely experience similar or worsened impacts," they warned.

Meanwhile, more wet weather is on the way — another storm is set to arrive Sunday. "Travelers are reminded to give themselves extra time when driving this winter and to take into account weather conditions, especially when traveling on this scenic byway," Drabinski added.

### Distancing comes easy for students at Big Sur school

By CHRIS COUNTS

LACKING FOUR walls, a fixed address or a conventional curriculum, an innovative preschool in Big Sur is literally redefining what it means to "distance learn" by using the great outdoors as a classroom.

Instead of being cooped up inside a building, the kids explore Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park, Big Creek Reserve and other places where the wonders of nature are just steps

Despite the many challenges all schools have faced during Covid, especially those that operate outside the realm of public funding, the Big Sur Park School has been able to provide an alternative preschool experience for about 20 kids down the coast.

The school's teaching approach emphasizes curiosity, resilience and resourcefulness — three traits that can commonly be found among Big Sur residents. The kids are also encouraged to explore their creativity and share how they feel.

#### A classroom without walls

The school, which was founded in 2018 and takes kids between 9 months and 5 years old, is based on a model developed in Denmark called a "forest school." Known as "classrooms without walls," the schools use outdoor games and activities. Youngsters not only learn about the natural world, but are taught important life lessons. The

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I also felt compelled to faithfully love each person involved as the child of God. This resulted in a blissful sense that no matter what happened, I could still be kind toward the man in question and the members of the community. Knowing that nothing could stop me from reflecting God's love felt like the real triumph. And, the situation itself was also thoroughly resolved.

For me, this experience illustrated grace in action.

Though grace has been witnessed and valued throughout history, people have also grappled with defining exactly what grace is, if it's merited, and when it may be expected.

Mary Baker Eddy, the founder of The Christian Science Monitor, saw in the life of Christ Jesus the promise that the grace of divine Spirit, God, is constantly embracing everyone, because each one of us is inherently worthy as God's spiritual expression, boundlessly beloved of God. She

wrote, "The miracle of grace is no miracle to Love." On this basis, she explained how Jesus' gracious healings of sin, disease, and death resulted from "the infinite ability of Spirit" being reflected in the natural harmony of God's spiritual creation ("Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," p. 494).

Therefore, as explained in Christian Science, grace isn't the result of human effort, but it does operate as individuals watch, work, and pray in obedience to God. And as Mrs. Eddy wrote, "What we most need is the prayer of fervent desire for growth in grace, expressed in patience, meekness, love, and good deeds" (Science and Health, p. 4).

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### MacMurdo to take reins at P.G chamber

By KELLY NIX

JENNY MACMURDO, who has spent four-and-a-half years as CEO of the Carmel Chamber of Commerce, will take the same job with the Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce next month. She will replace longtime P.G. Chamber President Moe Ammar, who will retire at the end of January.

MacMurdo, 42, will begin her new job on Jan. 17, a couple of weeks before Ammar is set to depart. MacMurdo said she will miss the business owners and residents in Carmel as well as the Carmel Chamber's office staff and



Jenny MacMurdo

Chamber's office staff and board members, whom she said are "some of the most wonderful people on this Peninsula." But Mac-Murdo said she's also honored to take the reins from Ammar and lead the P.G. Chamber.

"There is a great deal of opportunity in Pacific Grove, and I am drawn to the hometown nature of the village," MacMurdo told The Pine Cone. "Community means everything, and I'm excited to play a part."

During her time in Carmel, MacMurdo led the development of a nine-

month leadership program called Leadership Carmel and cofounded the Carmel Chamber Foundation. She also assisted in implementing the chamber's government affairs committee and the Carmel Commercial Property Owners Group.

Several P.G. Chamber board members who served on the Carmel Chamber think "very highly" of MacMurdo, who was selected for the job by the board of directors, Ammar said.

#### 'Renewed energy'

Asked about business challenges facing Pacific Grove compared to Carmel, MacMurdo said some of them are universal and even national and global.

"Workforce and supply shortages are affecting every single sector of the market, and that is a significant hurdle for all," MacMurdo said. "Pacific Grove has a few positive opportunities on the horizon to create renewed energy and vibrancy for the village, and I look forward to those collaborations."

As the new CEO, MacMurdo said she doesn't plan on making any major changes until she gets to know her job, the history of the chamber and the community itself.

"My style is to listen first, and then make informed, educated decisions in order to further the mission that has already been established," she said. "I am incredibly lucky to be handed an organization that has developed deep roots in the community as a trusted partner, and I look forward to continuing that legacy."

MacMurdo said the Carmel Chamber of Commerce has established a search committee to find someone to replace her, a process she said would begin soon.

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### DISTRICT

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Silicon Valley.

If the plan is approved, Panetta would still represent the Monterey Peninsula but would no longer represent most of the Salinas Valley. Instead, his district would stretch from Santa Clara County down to the northern part of San Luis Obispo County, including the cities of Cambria, Atascadero and Paso Robles. The Salinas Valley and South County cities would be represented by Democratic Rep. Zoe Lofgren, who represents San Jose, parts of Santa Clara County and other areas in the 19th Congressional District.

#### Disappear overnight

Much of Panetta's congressional identity stems from his relationship with the Salinas Valley's agricultural industry connection that would disappear overnight if the boundaries are approved.

The redistricting commission has until Dec. 19 to finalize the maps and until Dec. 27 submit them to the Secretary of State's office, leaving little time to oppose the

According to hundreds of public comments on the commission's website, nobody seems to favor the proposal by the redistricting commission, and several residents have accused the body of gerrymandering.

"The persistence of the commission to divide Monterey County and take half of the county and put it into Lofgren's district and connect it to the Silicon Valley makes it obvious that gerrymandering is occurring," said Mike LeBarre, the mayor of King City.

While it's something of a mystery why the redistricting commission has proposed the biggest shakeup of the 20th Congressional District in decades, since Panetta and Lofgren are both Democrats, the word "gerrymandering" doesn't really apply.

However, an organization called the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund, or MALDEF, issued a statement in April, after the release of the U.S. Census figures, calling "all line-drawers nationwide to react appropriately to the awesome growth of the Latino population" and to create "Latino-majority electoral districts wherever population growth demonstrates that it is possible to do so." The group has been active in the California redistricting process.

But Cesar Lara, executive director of the Monterey Bay Central Labor Council, which represents more than 37,000 union members, said Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz counties have characteristics "that define them as a community of interest," and have a "shared economy in agriculture, media markets, culture and history."

"Being forced to be connected with Silicon Valley will disenfranchise our vote in Congress and split voters," Lara told the commission Monday.

Santa Cruz County farmer John E.

Eiskamp said Wednesday that lumping the congressional district's agricultural interests with "urban" San Jose and Silicon Valley industries "would be extremely damaging to the voice of our important and valuable region at both the state and federal levels."

#### Farmers, politicians opposed

Monterey County supervisors Chris Lopez, who represents the Salinas Valley, and Luis Alejo, who represents Salinas, also asked the commission to keep the Salinas Valley within the 20th Congressio-

"The Salinas Valley is a critical region for our nation's food supply and home to tens of thousands of farmworkers," Alejo said Dec. 9. "The entire region should be kept whole."

Monterey County Farm Bureau executive director Norm Groot accused the panel of putting farmworkers and issues surrounding the agricultural industry in the hands of Silicon Valley, which he said has "little understanding" of the needs farmworkers in Monterey and San Benito counties.

The consequences of the changes, Groot said, would be "plain and simple" — it would further separate the Monterev Peninsula from the Salinas Valley, an invisible cultural border dubbed the "Lettuce Curtain."

'Splitting the Salinas Valley off from the Monterey Peninsula is not good representation for our county on a federal level," Groot told The Pine Cone.

"Both communities have worked hard in the past decade to remove the Lettuce Curtain — this new map proposes to restore that divide," he added,

Groot accused the redistricting commission of ignoring the needs of the communities in the congressional district and of drawing "arbitrary lines on maps that do not provide unified representation."

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#### JOHN D. WAGNER JR.

John D. Wagner Jr. passed away peacefully in Carmel-by-the-Sea on November 16, 2021. John was born in San Francisco on September

30, 1936. He grew up in Berkeley, California, attending Willard Junior High School, and graduated from Berkeley High School in 1953. John attended San Jose State University where he was an active member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity and graduated in 1957 with a B.A. degree in business administration. Shortly thereafter he took a "temporary" job at Sears in Sacramento while awaiting the draft. That decision turned into a 31-year career, which included several moves, and ended with his retirement as manager of the Eureka, California store in 1989. After retirement from Sears, he worked as a real estate broker/agent in Humboldt County for nine years until his move to Carmel-by-the-Sea in November 1998.



While living in Humboldt County, John developed an interest and love for long distance running, completing 11 marathons. He was especially proud when he qualified for and ran in the Boston Marathon in 1990. Throughout his running career he

accumulated several awards and recognitions.

He met Pamela Robertson while living in Eureka, and they were married in Carmel, California, on Valentine's Day in 2000.

In recent years John could be found managing the family-owned downtown Carmel property, where on most days he could be seen with a broom and often with a paint brush. Plumbing repairs were his downfall, as for years he come home frustrated and soaking wet before calling a plumber. Eventually, he learned to make the call to the plumber first.

John belonged to Rotary, first in Eureka and then in Carmel for 30 years. During his tenure he served as President of the Rotary Club of Southwest Eureka and Area Representative for District Governor, District 513, the following year. John became a Paul Harris Fellow in 1989. He served as an active member for Eureka's Finance/Audit Advisory Committee for nine years and President of the local hospital foundation.

John volunteered for many years as a marshal at the AT&T golf tournament and the US Open. Since 2006, John was honored to act as a volunteer guide at the Monterey Bay Aquarium. One of his greatest joys was engaging with the youth that visited the aquarium.

John looked forward to his morning coffee group and his Friday afternoon golf outings with his friends. He was once an aspiring sportswriter and a big fan of the Bay Area sports teams. His day would not be complete if it didn't start with the Chronicle Sports Section. John was an avid reader and was never without a book with an ever-changing favorite author and subject.

John's passing was preceded by that of his parents, John D. (Jack) Wagner, Pauline Wagner and daughter, Alison Wagner. He is survived by his wife, Pamela Wagner, children Richard Wagner and Susan Tate, grandchildren John D. Wagner III, Steven Wagner, Grace Wagner, Ryan Tate, Jack Tate, and great-granddaughter Juniper Wagner. He is also survived by his sister and brother in-law Janice and Jerome Siebert, and their children Karen Martz and Jennifer Siebert.

A memorial will be planned with family and friends in early spring. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Monterey Bay Aguarium (https://www.montereybayaguarium.org/join-give/ways-togive/honor-a-loved-one.)

Per John: "Go Niners!!"

#### **OUR FRIEND – "FAST FRED LOWERY"**

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Fred grew up in Salinas, California, where his brother-in-law, Andy Southard, showed him the art and excitement of hot-rodding, pinstriping, chopping up old Fords, and drag racing head-to-head in the lettuce fields. Fred grew to love the old Fords and DeSotos, but his favorite car he ever owned was his "1951 Chevy sedan delivery."

The sidewalk surfing movement of the '50s and '60s washed right up to Fred's neighborhood in Monterey Park, where he stole his big sister Leslie's roller skates, chopped them in half, and nailed them to a piece of wood. What would just be a fad or hobby for most, would become the love of Fred's life - the gravity powered skateboard. He embraced the sport in its absolute infancy. He fathered early professional downhill skateboarding competitions, and steered the sport's image lovingly, in a positive and progressive direction, until his dying day.

Fred pioneered the idea that "professional skateboard racing should be head-to-head." Previous races had only been man vs. machine. He dubbed, and patented this new style as "Dual Downhill," and invited the world's fastest



downhill street luge races, and currently, as Fred learned from his hospital bed this October, head-to-head downhill skateboard racing, is now an Olympic Sport. He would go on to become a metal fabricator by trade, and was an extremely competent and precise machinist, who welded frames for custom flat-track racers at Champion Motorcycles in Hayward, and even went to Dallas, Texas, alongside ace fabricator Pat Foster, to work on

the top-fuel funny cars for the famed "Blue Max" drag racing team. For those of us lucky enough to know Fred, he was the perfect friend.

His visits were always welcome, his conversation always intuitive, his music taste excellent, his lifestyle extremely simple, his kindness far deeper than his pockets could ever hold, and the true depths of his knowledge and expertise ... only a patient friend in need could scratch the surface of his capabilities.

Fred lived the last decades of his life in Carmel Valley, and we were so lucky to have a resident that loved the land as much as we loved him.

Perhaps Fred's most ingenious endeavor was when he decided to re-engineer the entirety of standard skateboard truck-turning in the mid-1970s. Knowing full well the reality of "speed-wobble," Fred set out fearlessly to tackle it, and re-design the rear truck with a "zero degree" pivot, because "no vehicle that went past 25 mph had rear steering." So, he chopped up a concoction of Chromoly tubing, sheet metal, and shopping cart-esque wheels, to form what would later be known as a standard street luge, and headed down Carmel Hill at Highway 1, in the middle of the night. The Salinas Boys clocked him at 69

From that moment forward, he was known, forever, as Fast Fred Lowery.

There will be a casual celebration for the extraordinary life of Fred Lowery, at noon Sunday, January 9th, in Carmel Valley Village behind Leonoff Glass Studios. For details, call (831) 601-6264.

### SCHOOL BOARD MEETING CANCELED AFTER DISPUTE OVER MASK RULES

By MARY SCHLEY

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m A}$ FTER A woman refused to wear a mask at the Carmel Unified School District board of education meeting Wednesday night, superintendent Ted Knight called for law enforcement to come help discourage any unrest, and then shut the meeting down. It has been rescheduled to 2 p.m. Friday at Carmel Valley High School and will be held outdoors, he said, so the mask issue will be moot.

The woman, Tracy Henderson, said she can't wear a mask and has a medical exemption. Knight said he's familiar with Henderson and that she's been confrontational in the past, so he expected the same would occur again when he and others saw her at the meeting without

The California Department of Public Health has called for everyone to wear a mask indoors, which was already required by the district.

"If you have an exemption, you have to wear a face shield," he said, which Henderson wasn't.

Considering the confrontations occurring at school board meetings all over the country regarding mask and vaccine mandates, Knight said, he and the board had discussed the possibility of outbursts at their meeting and planned to sequester themselves and quietly call the sheriff's office for assistance if something came up.

That's what he did Wednesday night, he said. The problem was it took nearly 90 minutes for law enforcement to respond, and he hadn't told the 50 or so parents and students waiting for the meeting to start what was going on.

#### Name-calling

With the delay, some of them became agitated, he said, and a half-dozen or so tried to get into the room where he and the board were waiting.

"They turned into an angry mob, and we did not want that in the boardroom with parents and students. I want parents to be able to voice their opinions," without intimidation, he said.

Knight said he told those at the meeting that if they disagree with the mandates, they should talk to the state department of public health and the governor. "I was called a child abuser and a communist and all kinds of names for simply following the guidance," he said

Henderson said Knight unfairly targeted her, and that she was within her rights not to wear a mask. Henderson also said the deputies and CHP officers and lawyers sided

with her and against Knight in his interpretation of the right to speak. mandate.

Knight said that ultimately, he and the officers decided the best course of action was to postpone the meeting and send everyone home. Henderson claimed doing so deprived her and other parents of their First Amendment

The meeting has been continued to 2 p.m. Dec. 17 at Carmel Valley High School on Schulte Road and is set to take place outdoors to avoid having the mask battle arise again. For the agenda and other information, go to carmelunified.org.



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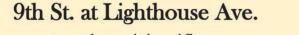
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position only after Kuffner died.

"This was not something I was seeking," she told The Pine Cone. "I would not have run if Harvey had not passed away he was a friend as well as a colleague.'

Regarding concerns she doesn't have a child in the system, Steck said it shouldn't

"You don't have to be a parent to represent parents," she suggested.

The trustee also countered charges she has a conflict of interest. "I don't sell bonds," she explained. "I'm a municipal bond advisor. I represent school districts."

To avoid any appearance of wrongdoing, Steck said she has no clients in Monterey, Santa Cruz or San Benito counties, and most of her clients are in the Los Angeles area where she once lived. "I have never done business with Monterey County schools," she said.

#### \$800,000 vs. \$300,000

Steck called the push for an election "a waste of money," in part because the term expires in November 2022. "It's a travesty to force this added cost when the election was going to occur anyway," she said.

According to Deneen Guss, superintendant of the Monterey County Office of Education, the signatures are being reviewed to determine if enough are valid to trigger an election. She said the signatures must number at least 1.5 percent of the number of registered voters at the time of the last election.

If an election is required, Guss said

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she's hoping it can be done in June because

of the cost savings to taxpayers - some-

thing opponents want to do as well. But

Guss said it's uncertain if that's possible

due to the timing, and the complexity of

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personal property from the person, possession and immediate presence" of three of the store's female employees. He denied all the allegations and is next set to appear in court Jan. 4, 2022.

Carmel Police Chief Brian Uhler told The Pine Cone that Cpl. Rachelle Lightfoot is investigating the robbery and working with the FBI and other agencies on evidence processing and digging up information using law enforcement and other

"We have developed new information that is valuable to the investigation, as recently as just a few minutes ago," Uhler said late Thursday morning. "Because it is a sensitive investigation, I can't really describe it, exactly. We do not have any new named people that we're interested in locating at this moment in time, but that is something we expect to happen."

They are using location data from the rented Toyota SUV and cell phones to map the movements of the vehicle and suspects before and after the robbery, according to Uhler.



Armed with some critical information, Lightfoot and other investigators will reach out to other law enforcement agencies for help "identifying people who might be connected to this particular case," he said.

Uhler also said investigators are making every effort to track down and recover the stolen pieces — how many, what type and how much they're worth, he wouldn't say - and he suspects the robbers are involved in a highly sophisticated fencing operation, considering it can be difficult to offload expensive, unique items without drawing

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a sledgehammer and a claw hammer. They smashed display cases and grabbed precious jewelry before being chased off by the store's armed security guard, who ran up the street after them as they jumped back in the waiting car. No one was in-

Carmel police quickly alerted other agencies on the Peninsula to be on the lookout for the SUV, which not long after was stopped by a CHP officer near Imjin Parkway. The rented Toyota only had two of the four suspects in it, though.

A Carmel police officer went to the scene and arrested Juarez and the younger teen. The district attorney's complaint against Juarez states he "did unlawfully, and by means of force and fear take



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CITING A 47 percent increase in the statewide average of Covid-19 case rates since Thanksgiving, the California Department of Public Health this week imposed another mask mandate, requiring everyone, regardless of vaccination status, to wear face coverings in all indoor

The statewide mask mandate went into effect Wednesday and will last through Jan. 15, at which point the state could extend the order if cases continue to rise. Coronavirus hospitalizations, state health said, have increased by 14 percent.

Under the new rules, those who are unvaccinated and want to attend an event with more than 1,000 people will also have to present a negative antigen test within one day of the event or a negative PCR test within two days, Dr. Mark Ghaly, head of the California Department of Health and Human Services, said Monday.

While Monterey County health officer Dr. Ed Moreno



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Wednesday declined to answer directly whether he believes the state mask mandate is warranted, he pointed to the rise in cases and hospitalizations in some parts of California.

The statewide mask order comes after the Monterey County Board of Supervisors Dec. 8 voted 3-2 against imposing a countywide indoor mask requirement. While Moreno for months has recommended that people wear masks indoors, he's declined to impose a mandate, saying it was unnecessary given the county's case rates.

The county health department Thursday reported 48 new cases and a total of 27 people hospitalized in the county's four hospitals. No new deaths were reported.

Meanwhile, the Covid-19 omicron variant, which experts say is highly contagious but seems to be causing less severe illness than the delta variant, still has not yet been identified in the county, Moreno said.

"It is very likely the omicron variant is in Monterey County, but as of yet we have not received any reports of omicron identified through genomic sequencing," he said.

Moreno would not say if it's likely the county would see a surge of omicron cases. He said because it is being detected in a growing number of states, residents should "do what we can" to prevent the spread of the virus "until we learn more about the omicron" strain.

#### Mass vax clinic

Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula announced this week it is offering two Covid-19

vaccination clinics to immunize more than 650 people per day. Appointments are necessary.

The first clinic is Tuesday, Dec. 21, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Embassy Suites, 1441 Canyon del Rey, Seaside. Pfizer and Moderna vaccines, including Pfizer's pediatric version, will be available.

"The vaccine clinic is open to those ages 5 and older who want a first or second dose, plus the additional dose for the immunocompromised and booster doses for those who are eligible," hospital spokeswoman Monica Sciuto said. "The event will be festive for attendees, including holiday treats, music, hot chocolate and a visit from Santa.'

Go to montagehealth.org/vaccine for more information and appointments. Those who want the shot need to bring a photo ID, insurance card and record of their past Covid-19 shots. There is no charge to patients, including those without health insurance.

For those who receive their first Covid shot next week, CHOMP will offer a second-dose clinic on Monday, Jan. 17. Appointments for that clinic can be scheduled at next

As of Wednesday morning, Community Hospital reported there were still plenty of vaccine appointments for next week available, with only 312 of 672 spots spoken

"We want to do all we can to make these critical vaccines available so we can reduce the transmission of Covid-19 and reduce severe illness and hospitalizations in our community," Sciuto told The Pine Cone.



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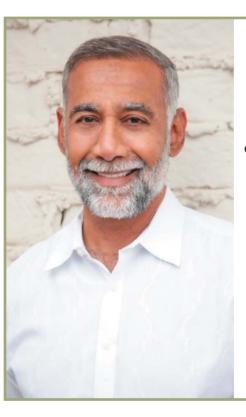


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By CHRIS COUNTS

DETERMINED TO convince consumers that legal marijuana is better and safer than the illegal stuff, Monterey County recently received a \$200,000 state taxpayers' grant to start doing laboratory tests on confiscated plants.

County officials say that, based on early test results, 58 percent of illegal weed is either too wet or too moldy to pass legal standards.

They also say 42 percent of the illegal crop contains heavy metals, while 37 percent has too much pesticide residue on it. A small percentage even contains salmonella.

In all, the study shows that 84 percent of the confiscated marijuana "failed official laboratory testing" because of

"some type of contamination."

California law requires that all cannabis sold at licensed retailers be tested to ensure "product purity, potency, and safety." Weed is tested for over 100 contaminants, including pesticides, toxins and heavy metals. The testing is paid for with fees collected during the permitting process and adds \$136 per pound to the cost of producing legal cannabis.

#### 19 illegal sites raided

Illegal growers, of course, don't pay for testing or other fees, so they can easily undercut the price of marjiuana offered at your local legal dispensary.

The illegal cannabis tested was confiscated during 19

different "enforcement operations" in the county that were done this year. The busts involved four agencies working together: the county sheriff's cannabis enforcement unit, the county district attorney's office, county public works and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

The \$200,000 grant, meanwhile, covers testing within the county through 2023. Not only were seized plants tested, but concentrates confiscated from illegal labs. According to Greg Peterson on the Monterey County District Attorney's Office, the illegal grows were found all over the county.

The county also received \$800,000 in taxpayers' money to do public outreach on the topic — and in particular, to teach young people that legal cannabis is better and safer.



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warned him there could be some financial penalties as a result.

"Sara did make me aware there would be some costs," Yanez said at the Dec. 9 meeting. "But to be honest, I'm blown away." He had not heard the total beforehand.

Yanez took responsibility for the root cutting and the demise of the tree, saying his workers were there on an emergency job and had encountered a trap on the line and cut the roots in an attempt to remove it. In addition, they hadn't had a chance to get permits before digging and uncovering what turned out to be a larger problem than they anticipated.

"I can't apologize enough for that tree needing to be removed," Yanez said. "I hope a new tree can get installed there that

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will be something they can enjoy on their property."

He also said they have since obtained the permits and completed the sewer work.

Rembisz told the commission he only wants compensation for the tree being removed and hopes it can be replaced. "We were very sad to see the tree go

down," he said, adding that he is a fairly new owner of the home and that the pine figured prominently in the landscaping.

He also said he and his wife were out of town when the damage occurred and that they were shocked to see what the workers had done.

#### Wrong target?

Commissioner JC Myers asked why Davis recommended going after the contractor rather than the property owner who hired him, and she responded that the owner's representative, Tim James, was managing the property from afar and was unaware of what All Service had done.

"I feel like the offender that did the damage should be the person held accountable," she said.

Commissioners, however, felt that the owner should be responsible, not the contractor, so they decided the Walton Trust should compensate Rembisz for the lost pine, replanting, new landscaping and other costs.

"They're responsible for who they employ," commented commissioner Tim Caddell. "I want to make sure that Dr. Rembisz is made whole here, and that the tree is replaced."

Myers agreed.

"The compensation needs to take place from the Walton Trust, and the trust needs to deal with All Service however they deem fit," he said. "But the trust is ultimately the responsible party."

It's not uncommon for the city to demand payment from contractors or property owners who damage trees on public property, or who unlawfully prune or remove trees on their own properties, but it's unusual for it to require one property owner to compensate another.

Assuming both sides follow through, the neighbors will handle the negotiations and transfer of funds themselves, without the city being involved in the transaction.

### **OAK**

with the structure," arborist Mike Tope wrote in his report. Specifically, the trunk is close to or rubbing against part of the deck and a corner of the roof.

Tope inspected the tree and found it in good condition without any structural defects. "The overall growth on the canopy is vigorous and healthy compared to other oaks in the area," he said, and recommended the commission deny Moore's request.

"It does appear part of the structure could be altered to alleviate the problem of the contact," city forester Sara Davis explained at the meeting. "So my recommendation is to deny the application for a permit to remove the tree," which she described as being "one of the most healthy oaks" in the city.

Commissioner Brian Sours asked why,

when Moore remodeled her home awhile back, she didn't design it to provide more space for the oak. She responded that at the time, the city told her she couldn't change the exterior at all.

"It was either tear it all down or don't touch it," she said, though she didn't explain why that was the case.

#### Can come back

Commissioner JC Myers asked why she had the house inspected, and she told him she has it done every four years. The tree issue has been raised before, Moore added, but she hadn't decided to do anything about it until now. She also said she has the oak trimmed regularly.

Commissioners unanimously decided she should ask a contractor about changing the roofline and the deck to accommodate the tree but allowed that she could return with her request "if the cost is prohibitive to modify that corner and it would deprive her of the benefit of the property," as commissioner Michael Caddell stated.

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she started her legal career in infrastructure in Canada at Ontario Hydro, a government-owned utility.

"It may seem unusual having two law firms," working on telecom issues, Karish told the council, but it's not. She also addressed Mayor Dave Potter's query about experience with litigation, since he anticipates a court battle with Verizon.

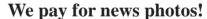
"Myself and others in my firm have worked on a lot of litigation related to wireless facilities in particular, as well as other telecommunications matters," she said, including fighting federal regulations in court. "We have represented many cities not only in California, but in many other

Scenic Road resident Mike McWalters asked which municipal code sections Karish had "authored" and had several questions about how she would have handled Verizon's application at Carmelo and Eighth. He also wanted to know her opinion of "residential cell towers."

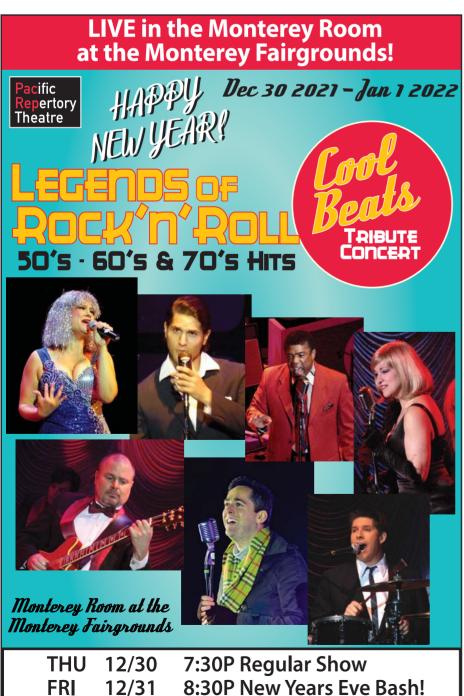
Pierik encouraged her to address the first question but said the others weren't

"I have personally worked on many ordinances in many jurisdictions," Karish responded, but she noted the process is iterative and that no single person "authors" laws.

The council unanimously voted to bring Karish and Best, Best & Krieger on board. The billing rate will be \$360 an hour, which Pierik said is "a reasonable fee for these types of services."



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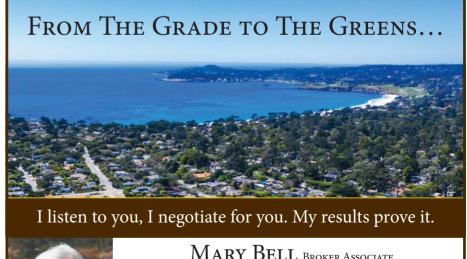
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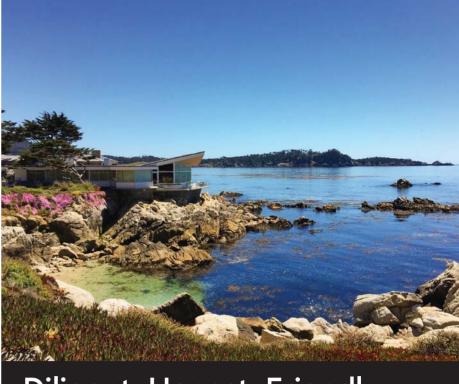
### Carmel River Lagoon ready to breach sandbar, flow to sea



After this week's heavy rains, county workers used heavy equipment to lower the Carmel River Lagoon sandbar Wednesday in hopes the lagoon would rise to an optimal level before breaking through, but not so high as to flood homes in the adjacent neighborhood. It's a ritual that goes on almost every year — sometimes successfully, but sometimes not. With more rain in the forecast, on Thursday (above) officials monitored the progress.

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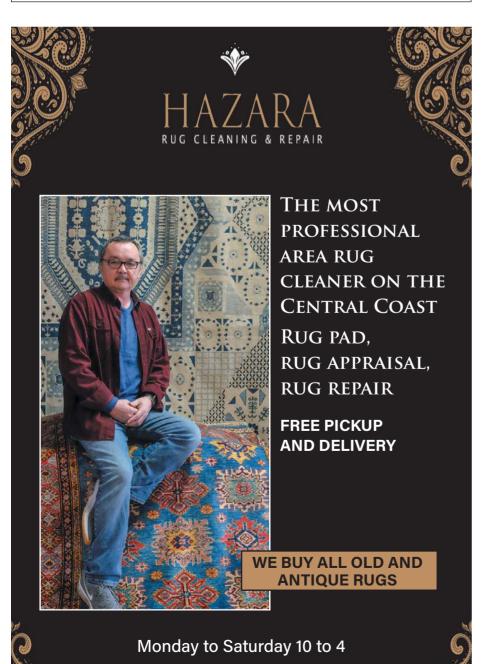
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### Editorial

### Here to stay

ALL SPECIES have to live in balance with their environment — and that means they have to occupy a space that's able to sustain them and let them reproduce, but where they also leave enough of whatever they're consuming for the next generation. Any other arrangement, and the species will die out.

This essential principle is much commented on when it comes to humans and other high-profile mammals, but it's just as true for viruses, including the virus that causes Covid-19. To succeed, these tiny creatures have to be really good at invading the respiratory tracts of the humans they infect and being able hijack the cells they find there to create new copies of themselves, but they can't be so good that they kill their hosts before they have a chance to infect somebody else.

From what we can see now, the virus behind the pandemic that started in Wuhan, China, in late 2019 is really good at maintaining a balance with its human hosts — so good that this virus, which has caused so much trouble for mankind, probably won't ever be eradicated.

According to researchers at the University of Colorado at Boulder, the same thing wasn't true of another virus that beset mankind not so long ago.

"SARS-CoV, the coronavirus responsible for the first SARS pandemic in 2003, spread to 29 countries and regions, infecting more than 8,000 people from November 2002 to July 2003," the researchers said. "But the 2002 version of SARS-CoV hasn't been observed in humans in almost 20 years and is now considered extinct."

What was the difference between the 2002 SARS virus and the one we have today?

"The 2002 SARS-CoV was poorly transmissible, so it just took a little bit of public health intervention to drive the virus to extinction," the researchers said.

The virus behind Covid-19, however, is so contagious, it's managed to spread around the world without anybody being able to stop it. And since it's reproducing at such a great rate, it's also creating innumerable variants, some of which are even more contagious than the original. Fortunately for us (and for the virus), the original virus and its mutated versions have turned out not to be that deadly.

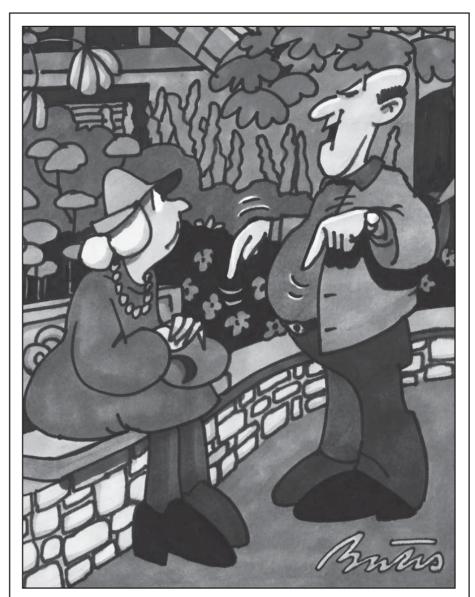
Other viruses are so successful at infecting humans, they've become part of everyone's lifetime health journey — things like the bugs that appear every year to cause the common cold and the flu. While they're dangerous, they only make most people a little sick. And just like them, the virus that causes Covid-19 will very likely go on making many people ill without killing them.

"I think this virus is here to stay with us and it will evolve like influenza pandemic viruses, it will evolve to become one of the other viruses that affects us," Dr. Mike Ryan, executive director of the World Health Organization's Health Emergencies Program, said at a press briefing in September.

According to the CDC, the common flu killed more than 400,000 people in the United States from 2011 to 2020. Nevertheless, nobody mentioned imposing a mask mandate or shutting the schools, and the news media weren't tracking it on a minute-by-minute basis. Same thing with the 2002 SARS epidemic.

Sure, when this latest coronavirus first appeared, we weren't sure how deadly it would turn out to be, but now we can see that it presents a situation that's very serious, but not that deadly. So get used to it, everyone. The coronavirus is here to stay.

### **BEST of BATES**



"I moved to Santa Barbara so I can come to Carmel on vacation."

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#### Buyout deserves 'fair process' Dear Editor,

The Pine Cone's recent article about the vote to deny the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District's LAFCO application omitted a crucial fact: LAFCO was only being asked for conditional approval. Its professional staff spent nine months researching and evaluating every objection to the application, and had imposed six detailed conditions to minimize any potential negative effects of a successful buyout of Cal Am. For example, the district was required to work with every organization that would lose \$5,000 or more in tax revenues if the buyout was successful and to document good-faith efforts to compensate each organization for its loss. Even though the district had not begun any buyout, it had already begun working with those organizations.

LAFCO'S staff recommended conditional approval three times. LAFCO could still have denied final approval after a court rendered its verdict if any conditions were not met. This was a no-risk vote for LAFCO. The five commissioners who voted to deny mentioned things that could have been addressed successfully through the conditions. This made their votes seem senseless and simply aimed at overturning Measure J and blocking all efforts at a buyout.

It is hard to imagine that the no votes from Salinas Valley commissioners, who don't pay Cal Am's rates, are based on any understanding of the facts, or of the reasons people on the Peninsula voted for a buyout and truly deserve a fair process.

Marli Melton, Carmel Valley

#### 'Will of the voters' Dear Editor,

Thanks for covering the recent LAFCO meeting. It was stunning to witness the vote on conditionally approving the water district's application to become a public retail water agency, denying the will of the voters and staff and consultant recommendations.

Commissioners voting no went outside LAFCO's scope with issues unrelated to approving latent powers. They focused on whether or not the Peninsula should have Cal Am's desal plant, and government cannot do anything right, as stated by Matt Gourley, complaining that the public was in the way of Cal Am. Kimbley Craig noted it was clear the Peninsula didn't want desal, then complained the Peninsula is taking water from Salinas. Seventy-five

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### Lured by Pebble Beach, lumber baron purchases Mission Ranch

By NEAL HOTELLING

TODAY'S 20-Acre Mission Ranch hotel and restaurant, owned since 1986 by Clint Eastwood, was once part of the 216acre Martin Ranch, described in the June 18, 1926, Pine Cone as "bounded on the north side by Santa Lucia Avenue, on the east by Hatton Fields, on the south by the Carmel River and on the west by subdivision No. 7 of Carmel Point."

John and Elizabeth Martin raised a large family on the ranch in the late 1800s and built the farmhouse and barns that remain on the site. John Martin died in 1893. Monterey attorney Carmel Martin

and his siblings, most of whom were born

on the ranch, held the home site for sev-

eral years after their mother died in 1918.

Carmel, the youngest of the Martin bovs.

was 50 when a deed conveying the land to

Willis and Alma Walker was recorded on

acquired Mission Ranch, was one of seven

sons of Minneapolis lumber baron Thomas

B. Walker (1840-1928), founder of Red

River Lumber Co. in 1884. With the help

Willis J. Walker, 55 at the time he

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of his sons, T. B. Walker began buying up timberland in northern California in the early 1900s. Willis, as vice president of Red River, managed the Minnesota lumber business while two of his brothers spent more and more time in California. Willis married Alma Brooks in 1897 and had a son, Leon, in 1899.

#### Million-acre property

About 1905, Willis' oldest brother, Gilbert, set up an office in Red Bluff, while younger brother Clinton, who had married Alma's sister Della, leased a home at Pied-

mont from which he made frequent trips to the northern forests. It was about that same time that Willis began making annual treks to California to see the progress.

By October 1909, the

Walkers had acquired 750,000 acres in Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Tehama, Lassen, Plumas and Butte counties. That same year, Red River borrowed \$1.5 million to begin building the sawmills and infrastructure needed to harvest lumber. In 1913, their holdings had grown to 1 million acres, and they began operating a sawmill at the company town they established as Westwood, in Lassen County.

Westwood caught fire in the summer of 1917, while Alma and Willis were staving

> at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco. Willis rushed to the conflagration to direct some of the activity. Dynamite was used to bring the fire under control and save the mill, but 70 million feet of lumber, valued then at about \$1 million, were lost.

#### **Pebble Beach**

The Walkers decided to stay in California so Willis could assume management of the growing, but suddenly troubled, operation at Westwood. They leased a Nob Hill apartment at 840 Powell from which Alma became part of the social scene. Their circle of friends began buying land in the new development of Pebble Beach, and they followed suit, building a home along the 14th Fairway in 1922. They named it "Border Links." By the mid-1920s, Willis Walker, who maintained the apartment in San Francisco, was spending less time in Westwood and more time in Pebble Beach.

Walker saw real estate opportunities in Carmel, and in 1926 began buying and selling lots here. The same 1926 Pine Cone article referred to at the

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### Face fire like a local: Take amazing photos, then rebuild your home

ON A Big Sur mountainside, high above any tourist traffic, hides the homemade cabin Kodiak Greenwood has been constructing for the past eight years largely from reclaimed materials — since December 2013, when a wildfire on Pfeiffer Ridge incinerated his previous home (and \$50,000 worth of photography equipment) on the same patch of land.

Greenwood, who turned 41 this week, has been caretaker of that property since he was 19 years old and has lived in Big Sur almost all his life. The arduous and ongoing task of rebuilding there wasn't a diffiplan to create a living there as a professional photographer. Plan B was to relocate to a big city, where commercial opportunities might be more plentiful.

"After two years, I was shooting architecture and other gigs, busy as a bee, living

and working in a place I truly loved." He also took pride in his artistic identity as a bona fide Big Sur local.

"A lot of people moved here for the artist vibe - Henry Miller, Jack Kerouac and others — but they didn't really live here full-time. They used Big Sur as a way to brand themselves," Greenwood said.

### **Carmel's Artists**

By DENNIS TAYLOR

Big Sur authenticity

"In some ways, I feel more authentic because I was born and raised here. I live here year-round, putting up with the mudslides,

the fires, the power outages, the storms, the highway falling into the ocean, and, worst of all, the tourists," he explained. "And the older I get, the more I realize the struggles and sacrifices that are involved with living in Big Sur."

After 18 years, Greenwood's portfolio includes an award-winning array of Big Sur wildfire photos that are equal parts beautiful and horrifying - images of tragic destruction, front-line firefighters and heartbroken residents against a backdrop of towering flames that light up the

"I've been in five major wildfires now, and I really like documenting the process in such an in-depth way," said Greenwood, who also was sent with a writer to cover the 2016 Paris Climate Accords, where he was one of only four photojournalists in a room with 150 world leaders, including President Barack Obama.

"Getting published in National Geographic was awesome — great for the resume, and something I hoped would be a turning point — but that was more than 10 years ago, and I'm still wondering how to make it happen again," he said. "I'd love to do more editorial- and environmentally based photojournalism."

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cult decision: He is a true local.

"I'm happiest when I'm wandering randomly in geographically significant places, or untouched places or completely destroyed places," said Greenwood, a fine art photographer and photojournalist whose spectacular images of multiple Big Sur wildfires have appeared in several publications, including National Geographic.

"Exploring new or old places, creatively observing life wherever I am — Big Sur, Utah, the mountains of Patagonia in Argentina — that's really what it's all about for me," he said. "It's that moment when I get to be out with my camera, reflecting internally and externally on the environment and hopefully creating something with that time.

Artistic types in Big Sur — artists, writers, photographers — have long been lionized, even if they were only passing through. Greenwood's father, Robert Greenwood, was a real-deal Big Sur bohemian — a poet and writer whose free spirit gave Kodiak permission to pursue his own artistic instincts from an early age

Drawing and painting were childhood passions until age 12, when his dad gave him a Minolta camera before a father-son trip to British Columbia. That vacation lit the spark, Greenwood said.

"Then, right after high school, I took

a Nikon N80 with me to Indonesia," on a six-week surfing safari with friends, he remembered. "Those two trips were turning points. I began to realize that the pursuit of photography could allow for a creative lifestyle."

When he returned, Greenwood enrolled in the Brooks Institute of Photography in Santa Barbara, receiving intensive education in "the technical realm of photography," he said. "I learned everything there was to know about cameras.'

After graduation, he



came home to Big Sur with Big Sur native Kodiak Greenwood, a fine-art photographer and a self-imposed two-year photojournalist, embraces the rugged lifestyle on Pfeiffer Ridge.

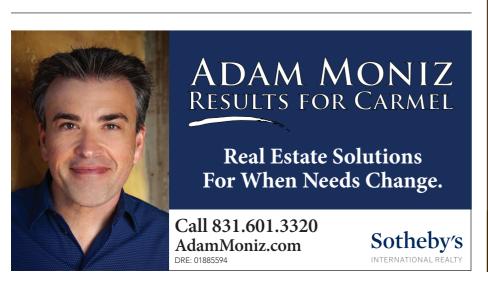
Rodeo action returned to Mission Ranch in the 1940s (top), as seen here in March 1947. (Above) Thomas B. Walker (center), founder of Red River Lumber Co., circled by his sons (left to right): Fletcher, Clinton, Willis, Gilbert and Archie; circa 1920.

The first public event held at Mission Ranch was a rodeo in 1931

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### **Great Lives**

#### By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

The shop is as elegant as the inventory, which is expansive and carefully organized to be visually appealing and convenient to browse, a testament to owners Jim and Gloria Dougherty, who curate their offerings like fine art.

Over the years, plenty of people have called him Mr. Spencer, which makes sense to Jim even though he's owned Spencers Stationery for 40 years. Yet Dougherty is at least the fourth owner of the shop, which was established by photographer Louis S. Slevin, who came to Carmel in 1903 and opened an eponymous photo-card and stationery store as part of the post office on Ocean Avenue.

#### No more daily pie

In 1936, Bob Spencer took over the store, promptly changing the name of the place to Spencers Stationery to reflect its new ownership. When he sold the shop to a Mr. Allen, the name remained unchanged, as it has ever

since. Dougherty bought it in 1981.

He was 16 when he walked into an antiques store in Studio City and became completely intrigued by the inventory. The owner took an interest in Dougherty and taught him everything he knew before selling him half-interest in the business. Dougherty was 20 when he bought out his mentor.

In 1975, he moved the business — a shop filled with 15th-to-20th-century drinking vessels — to Carmel, just north of Fifth Avenue. He called it The House

By 1981, Dougherty had grown weary of the traveling needed to maintain his stock. He saw that Spencers was for sale on Ocean Avenue. Although he had no experience with stationery, he knew the store had a solid history, so he bought it.

Its back door opened to a park on Dolores Street where, in 1983, he opened a second shop, Spencers on the Park. For three years, he sold antiques, Americana collectibles and folk art, gathered during regular collector trips to Maine.

"On occasion, Clint Eastwood slipped into our store to evade fans and then ducked out the back door and escaped," Dougherty said. "I also went out that back door

Gloria and Jim Dougherty in Spencers Stationery at the Crossroads shopping center. Bob Spencer owned the shop in 1936 and nobody has renamed it since.

every day, to get a piece of Mrs. Berry's pie over at the Tuck Box restaurant. I still like pie, but not every day." In 1986, Dougherty moved Spencers Stationery to the

Court of the Golden Bough, behind the Cottage of Sweets. He said the best thing that ever happened to his business was when Gloria, his wife of now 32 years, walked into the shop with her sister. The Salinas native was moving back home from Washington State, and her sister told her, "I want you to meet Jim. He has the best store in town."

And with that, off they went to Spencers. Gloria said, "I was working as the medical director of a clinic in Spokane, but I'd always thought I'd someday like to have my own business. I was appreciating the ambiance of the store when Jim said, 'Are you looking for a job?' He hired me part time, which went to full time. We married in 1989.'

#### 'Hobbies and vices'

In 1988, the Doughertys purchased Cardiff's stationery store, already established at the Crossroads shopping center, intending to keep the location in town, too. But in 1994, they consolidated to one store at the Crossroads, then moved up the sidewalk to their current location.

"This has been a wonderful venue to showcase not only stationery, but also to incorporate unusual antiques carrying cases, desk blotters and accessories — collected during our regular travels to Maine and also France," Doughtery said.

It also has been a welcome hostel for his birdhouses. In 1986, Dougherty opened "Spencers Whimsical Garden" adjacent to the Tuck Box. For three years, the shop sold garden accessories, including vintage birdhouses. When Dougherty's birdhouse sources went south, he started

"Everybody has their hobbies and vices," he said. "I like to putz around in my Mid Valley barn and make things. It's been fun to reintroduce the style of old birdhouses we had sold in the garden shop."

It was at the Crossroads that Dougherty discovered one of the best enticements into Spencers, the triple-dipped, Belgian chocolate malt balls once sold in a nearby candy store. At first, he bought the malt balls to hand to children who came into his store. After the candy store closed, he began sourcing and packaging them for sale himself.

To this day, people head directly to the counter in search of malt balls, enticing in their clear cello bags. Nearly as big as a jawbreaker and as smooth as the Belgian chocolate that enrobes them, the malt balls have become legendary.

#### **Leather-bound ledgers**

Forty years into developing a business he knew nothing about, Dougherty is a master purveyor of fine papers and writing instruments — plus birdhouses and malt balls. Still wearing the significantly repaired but sturdy leather apron he has had since the beginning, he runs his business as he did when he bought it, ordering products, counting and reconciling numbers by hand, numbers recorded in leather-bound ledgers, all of which he's kept. He doesn't own a computer, doesn't have a cellphone, and never intends to. His tool is a pencil, and his internet is a personal network of vendors and customers he meets in person.

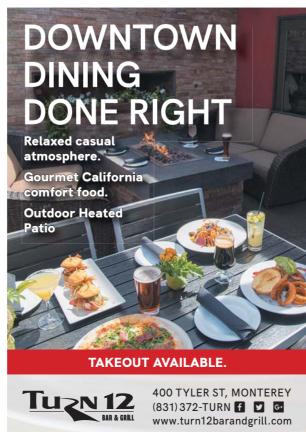
It has something to do with the difference between writing a thank-you note by hand, versus dashing off an email or text message. It's what might be expected from a store that sells writing papers and instruments, and it's the way Dougherty likes it.

And even now that the Doughertys have put Spencers on the market and are looking toward retirement, they will continue to handcraft birdhouses, handwrite notes and do their accounting by hand.

"This business has outlived me," he said. "I've always handwritten orders, and I can tell you exactly what's in our inventory by looking at the shelf. I do imagine someone can come in and take Spencers to the next level, but I hope it's with the integrity and quality people have come to expect. Spencers — the whole Crossroads — is a special place."







### **HISTORY**

beginning of this story reported rumors that Walker was buying the Martin Ranch. Sometime between then and the summer of 1929 when the deed was recorded, Walker did buy the 216-acre property.

He never moved there, but soon began plans for developing residential sites. He filed a map for Walker Tract No. 1, along the junction of Junipero and Rio Road between Santa Lucia and 12th. The city council approved it on Aug. 7, 1929. His planned development was derailed when the stock market crash of October 1929 led into the Great Depression and the enterprise would have failed. Walker sat it out for several years and looked for other opportunities.

#### Their first rodeo

The term Mission Ranch first appeared in the Aug. 28, 1931, Pine Cone. It was in a half-page ad for a rodeo to be held there, "at the south end of Dolores," on Sept. 6 and 7. An article on the facing page added that the event, which would include bronco and steer riding and goat and steer roping, would be run by "John Scott, foreman of the Muriel Vanderbilt Church ranch in Carmel Valley, 'Tex' Rayburn, foreman of the Sydney Fish ranch, just east of Carmel, and Tom Scofield, Seaside cowboy.'

Divorced from her first husband, in January 1931 heiress Muriel Vanderbilt leased the Marble Ranch, 19 miles out Carmel Valley Road.

An active equestrian, she brought several of her horses to compete in the polo and steeplechase events then held at the Hotel Del Monte. In July, she moved her horses to Walker's ranch while she returned to New York to marry Henry Delafield Phelps.

The couple, who spent part of each year in New York, leased Mission Ranch as their western home until April 1936, when they moved to Rancho Del Monte near Ford Road in Carmel Valley, where they had bought 820 acres.

With the economy improving and Walker regaining possession of Mission Ranch, he revisited his plans for the property. That summer, he moved forward with development of the Walker Tract 1 that had been approved seven years earlier. With the assistance of Corum Jackson of Carmel Realty Co., Walker added more tracts extending west from the current ranch to Carmel Point. By November 1936, utility and sewer lines were nearly complete and homes were being built.

At the same time, Walker refurbished the ranch buildings with plans to add a pool and tennis courts to establish a country club of sorts. He had a wood floor and stage installed in the large barn and made it a dance hall. Lloyd Tevis, who had a home nearby on Rio Road, worked with Walker on the conversion. The Tevis family were pioneers in the Central Valley and Lloyd had recently converted his family ranch, "Stockdale," into a similar social center.

#### Low fees, lots of fun

The Mission Ranch Club hosted a grand opening on Jan. 23, 1937. The initiation fee of \$25 was waived for early joiners. Monthly dues were set low, so anyone in Carmel could enjoy the facilities: families paid \$4, single men \$3 and single women \$2. The club flourished, serving lunch and dinner daily, with occasional dinner dances.

In the spring of 1937, the Walkers completed a building set up with three indoor badminton courts to augment the outdoor tennis and badminton courts. They imported sand and created a sunbathing "beach" at the club. Private parties were arranged, and on the Fourth of July, 800 people crowded the club for a barbeque co-sponsored by the American Legion. The promised swimming pool opened July 18. Members also enjoyed playing cards, especially bridge, with weekly tournaments.

Walker and Tevis quickly established Mission Ranch as a community hub, and in November 1937 hired David Eldridge of the Beach Club at La Jolla to take it to the next level. Under Eldridge, the club began providing guestrooms in the ranch house for out-of-town visitors. Don McFadden replaced Eldridge in October 1939 and began three of the most interesting years in Mission Ranch's history. The McFadden story will be in next week's column.

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### ARTIST

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Meanwhile, he contends with the ongoing challenge of making a living as a professional photographer in a difficult, often unforgiving marketplace.

#### **Permanence at Post Ranch**

A breakthrough, he hopes, might be his permanent exhibit at historic Post Ranch Inn, a showcase that includes 23 breathtaking, limited-edition prints, mostly Big Sur landscapes. Images on display include an electrical storm lighting up the Pacific Ocean, a rainbow over Point Sur, sun peeking through a rocky arch off Pfeiffer Beach, oak trees in the mist and a field of lupines

in full bloom above a seascape.

"It's still a total thrill to sell a piece of my work, and it's not even about the money. It's the fact that somebody out there enjoys what I did. It motivates me to get back out there and dig deeper into my own mind, and all the ideas I have," said Greenwood, who has evolved into the digital-photography era, but enjoys shooting old-school analog pictures and developing them in a darkroom.

A project in progress is the creation of two Big Sur books, creating photos using 19th-century, wet-plate photography techniques, including a 45-pound antique camera that he lugs into the wilderness, along with a tripod, chemicals, homemade film, glass plates, and an Eskimo tent that provides complete darkness needed for some techniques that must be performed immediately at the location.

Images are processed inside a 7,500-pound

portable darkroom that Greenwood built himself and hauls on a trailer behind his Ford F-150 pickup truck.

"I've gotten in over my head, for sure," he said with a laugh. "I can't even explain why I'm doing this, except that I really love the look, and the fact that every photo is

"I like the medium because it's totally honest. If you don't do it exactly right, there are blemishes, it's out of focus, it's overexposed, it's underexposed, it's got scratches ... I'm trying to raise the bar on what it means to be an artist — whatever that means."

Greenwood's fine art art photography can be seen at Post Ranch Inn (30 miles south of Carmel) or on his website at kodiakgreenwood.com.

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Big Sur native Kodiak Greenwood's wildfire photos have won national acclaim. His work is on permanent exhibit at Post Ranch Inn.

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As a condition of approval, MPWMD already agreed to negotiate agreements to soften tax revenue impacts. A motion to include satellite systems was voted down.

LAFCO must legally issue a written decision based on evidence, not opinion. It now may be decided in court, undoubtedly in MPWMD's favor. LAFCO will incur high legal fees, along with MPWMD — passed on to us.

Susan L. Schiavone, Seaside

#### 'Disband water district' Dear Editor,

We should all applaud LAFCO's rejection of the water management district's attempt to take over Cal Am, a private company. Finally, an agency with some oversight took an honest, commonsense look and exposed what this is really all about, a power and money grab. How much taxpayer money has been spent and will be spent to save the current customers of Cal Am a whopping \$22 per month? This entire issue of water control comes down to the lesser of two evils, and while Cal Am has not been stellar, it is preferable over unrestrained government agencies that simply want to control the behavior of private

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For MPWMD to use the argument that this is "the will of the people" and should be honored is just about the most hypocritical statement to ever come from a big government agency. Let's all remember that the will of the people not very long ago was to dissolve the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District completely as they had failed in their mission to find new water sources for those it serves. Of course, in that instance they did not like the "will of the people" and found a local politician to find a way to ignore it.

How about we honor that original vote now?

Lauren Cohen, Monterey

### 'LAFCO writes off democracy'

LAFCO's Dec 6 no-vote by five commissioners — four from Salinas and one from the Monterey Peninsula made a mockery of democracy. They displayed alarming special-interest politics and partisan prejudice.

Ironically, the voters who approved the buyout of Cal Am are the same voters who pay the taxes that support the fire district and other agencies who voted against approval because they would lose tax revenue (less than 1 percent) if MPWMD's buyout succeeds. These naysayers were appointed to LAFCO, which is unbalanced in favor of Salinas Valley. Chair Chris Lopez was disingenuous in claiming the buyout will bring higher water rates for his constituents, when he knows the CPUC has a protective rate cap for Chualar as a disadvantaged community. Commissioner Matt Gourley contradicts himself by denigrating government while serving in government. Some commissioners exhibit poor judgment, such as driving under the influence, for which two have been arrested in the past.

Let the public hold these commissioners accountable. Let our democracy flourish and not be stifled by self-serving politicians who flout the principles of democracy. Corporations have become oversized monopolies worshipping their one idol, money, defying free market competition. Greed cannot sustain a constitutional republic.

LAFCO's decision will add to the tax revenue loss as it diminishes county coffers, incurring costly litigation fees. How many firefighters would that cover? LAFCO defied its own staff approval recommendation and the independent consultant it hired to confirm buyout feasibility.

MPWMD is in the right to support the voters' mandate and fight against Cal Am's tyranny.

Viva democracy!

**Margaret-Anne Coppernoll,** *Marina* 

#### Why did LAFCO block buyout? Dear Editor,

Should LAFCO's board of appointed commissioners from Salinas and South County have the right to block the Cal Am buyout on the Peninsula?

It was clear from the LAFCO staff report and the



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2511 Garden Rd., Suite A230 Monterey (831) 646-5424 | sgsenger@att.net \$70,000 LAFCO consultant's report that the water district could afford to buy Cal Am and operate the water system at a reasonable cost. That was the only question LAFCO was supposed to consider and the only one it was supposed to vote on. LAFCO staff recommended approval twice. There were no grounds to deny the water district's application. So why vote no?

They claimed this was about the tiny tax revenue loss of less than 1 percent for some of the affected special districts and the "possible" minimal Cal Am rate hikes to five satellite water districts. But make no mistake; this was a vote on water supply with the Salinas Valley once again trying to dictate water policy to the Peninsula.

LAFCO commissioner and South County supervisor Chris Lopez believes the Peninsula must have Cal Am's desal, so he and Salinas Mayor Kimbley Craig voted against the buyout in an attempt to force desal on the Peninsula. Three other commissioners followed their lead. The problem is that LAFCO has no authority on water supply, so they had to disguise their no vote with other issues.

The tax revenue losses can be mitigated and none of the issues raised justify blocking the will of the voters and the water district's mandate to move forward on Measure J.

This is Monterey County lettuce curtain politics at its

Melodie Chrislock, Carmel

#### Investigate LAFCO Dear Editor,

Can someone please explain to me how LAFCO can make a decision on our relationship with Cal Am which completely opposes even their own findings?

Please correct me on any of this if I am wrong, but over 25,000 citizens voted to oust the grifting waterworks, which already has a terrible reputation for taking water that is not theirs and charging homeowners for it. OK, perhaps they were/are charging for its transportation to our homes? But how can they charge us if the pipes are shooting brown water out of spigots ... indicating that in all these years, they have done little to assuage using that as an excuse for "services rendered."

We all want to know exactly what the logical reason is for ignoring their own findings.

Transparency is much needed on LAFCO's decision-making process. Let's subpoena communications if we don't get a satisfactory response. That would be an investigation that many community members would find worth reading about.

Cate Mulligan, Seaside

#### *'Citizen deputies simplified'* Dear Editor.

Stan Graff had some interesting ideas in his letter to the editor. Let's take his idea and make it even simpler and make everyone a "deputy."

After all that has been written on short-term rentals, it looks like the key issues are:

- Neighbors have complaints, particularly when there is a problem such as a large or loud party, or parking issues.
- Monterey County would like to see the additional revenue from the licensing of vacation rentals.
- Monterey County does not have the bandwidth to manage all of the permitting and monitoring the rentals. Therefore, we have this ongoing dialog. Monterey County should create a simple and separate

web link for issues with short-term rentals with two simple questions: What is the address, and what is the issue?

This "deputy" would report the problem. The site in return would verify the status of a permitted rental.

Of course, the person filing the complaint should be required to identify himself. This information must remain private, but it would help to identify the occasional grumpy neighbor/chronic complainer issue.

This might be an easier way to get the ball rolling on the issues of short-term rental permitting and enforcement. Residents would see progress after all of these many years. The process could then be evaluated and refined as Monterey County moves forward.

Hans Haselbach, Carmel Valley

#### Time for addresses Dear Editor,

As our world continues to evolve and more of us are forced to order goods, it has been increasingly annoying to order, pay, have shipped and then not receive what we order, whether because it's mis-delivered thanks to our quirky addresses, or because the shipper tried to deliver to our post office after hours or on a weekend.

The time has come to address the problem and assign house numbers in Carmel-by-the-Sea. I promise, it will not compromise our charm, our politics, our individuality or our weather, but it could eliminate one of the increasingly annoying issues brought on by the endemic of our planet. It would also be a precursor to home delivery of the mail.

I would imagine our devoted postal workers would be more than happy not to have to lug our packages to us at the front desk!

Carol Reid, Carmel

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### MONKEE From page 14A

1974, he formed Pacific Arts Productions, which distributed music and produced videos.

In 1982, Nesmith's "Elephant Parts," an hour-long video of comedy skits, won the first Grammy Award in the music video category.

The musician even tried his hand at acting, and had small roles in the film, "Repo Man" — he was executive producer of the cult classic — and in the television comedy TV series, "Portlandia."

On social media this week, the last living Monkees member, Mickey Dolenz, mourned Nesmith's passing.

"I'm heartbroken," Dolenz said. "I've lost a dear friend and partner. I'm so grateful that we could spend the last couple of months together doing what we loved best—singing, laughing and doing shtick. I'll miss it all so much. Especially the shtick. Rest in peace, Nez."

#### Locals recall working for him

This week, two locals who worked for Nesmith's Pacific Arts Productions shared memories of the late musician.

David Bean, who ran the company in its early years, described Nesmith as "a man of grace and great composure."

Christmas tree, unlike the menorah, is not itself a religious

symbol," and that the trees "typify the secular celebration

her own menorah lighting on school grounds if she wanted,

and her ability to practice her religion, also promised by

the First Amendment, wasn't "substantially burdened" by

the tree lighting, either. The judge dismissed Lyons' allegation that the district retaliated against her for requesting

Lyons' allegations of "systemic endorsement of Christian

beliefs and traditions, while disfavoring those of other reli-

gions, are very serious," and that the statements that her

children feel excluded at school because they're Jewish

While she denied the injunction, Freeman wrote that

Lyons' freedom of speech wasn't violated, the judge continued, because the district invited her to apply to hold

**MENORAH** 

to display her menorah at the event.

From page 3A

of Christmas.'

"It was like going to the University of Nesmith," Bean

said. "He was a fabulous teacher — I was able to learn from his experience in Hollywood."

Bean said working for Nesmith felt more like being in a family than part of a company.

Noted local artist Jerry Takigawa worked as an art director for the company, and designed covers for several of Nesmith's albums.

"He always gave us a lot us creative freedom," Takigawa recalled. "Being a creative person himself, he understood the process we would go through. He encouraged us to try interesting new things and gave us hints about what he wanted."

Nesmith, who bought a home on Monte Verde Street in Carmel in 1999 but moved to Sleepy Hollow in 2001, was married three times and leaves behind four children.

### GAVEL From page 4A

incident, and eventually arrested Hernandez.

They both testified Doe sustained an injury to her mouth that caused bleeding.

Judge Jennifer O'Keefe presided over the trial and sentenced Hernandez to three years' probation, 120 days in jail, and ordered him to complete 52 weeks of domestic violence classes and 52 weeks of parenting classes.

"are particularly troubling."

After the ruling, Lyons filed for dismissal of her case. Even though she didn't get what she wanted, she wa

Even though she didn't get what she wanted, she was mollified by the fact the judge "appreciated that schools need to be welcoming, inclusive and safe places for all children," Lyons told The Pine Cone.

She complained that River School continued its Christmas-heavy holiday celebrating this week, with "Rudolph Red Day" and "Grinchy Green Day," and a Santa visit, and that the tree still has lights on it.

"The elementary school principal's intention in the school's second 'holiday week' appears to be to exclude children, and his only defense appears to be that he's legally allowed to do so," she said. "He could decide to create an inclusive, safe and welcoming school instead."

Lyons also said she believes the school promotes discrimination and bias, and that "the teaching of bigotry in elementary school may be the reason why there are issues of racism with the high school students."

"More importantly, the opportunity to teach lifelong tolerance is being lost," she said.

### **DISTANCE**

From page 16A

the natural world, but are taught important life lessons. The approach helps to develop self-confidence, and the kids get lots of exercise.

According to director Sofia Snavely, the school relies partly on donations because it pays its teachers what she calls "a fair living wage," while making the school available to kids whose families can't afford tuition. "We have an annual deficit of about \$35,000," she told The Pine Cone.

Thankfully, there is a generous benefactor on the horizon. "We have a donor who will match all donations through the end of December," Snavely explained.

The school is making a big push this month to raise money. If you'd like to donate, visit bigsurparkschool.org.

"We're trying to motivate the community to support the school," Snavely added. "It takes a village to raise a child."



PHOTO/SOFIA SNAVELY

A child who attends the Big Sur Park School discovers how much fun art can be. About 20 kids who live down the coast attend the preschool.

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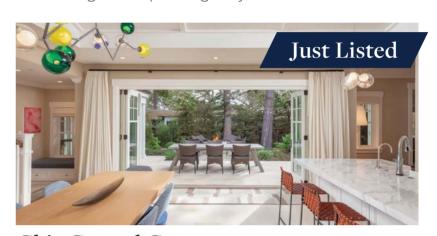
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# The Carmel Pine Cone

Section 2

### Returning Padres coach receives the gift of a remarkable varsity team

SANTA ISN'T perfect. Some years, we get everything on our list ... others, we get electric nose-hair clippers. (Not necessarily based on a true story).

Tom Dooner — apparently a very good boy — has spent the past few weeks unwrapping a gift that is likely to

### **Peninsula Sports**

By DENNIS TAYLOR

become the envy of most of the other high school basketball coaches in Monterey County.

"I feel rejuvenated," declared Dooner, who sounded



PHOTO/KERRY BELSER

Multi-sport athlete Elle Bohlman, the Padres' top scorer, is a senior leader who can play either guard position.

like a kid on Christmas morning as he discussed his return as head coach of Carmel High's varsity girls basketball, a program he guided to back-to-back Mission Trail Athletic League championships (his 2014-15 and 2015-16 teams, which went 26-2 against the league) during his previous three-year stint.

#### **Dooner missed coaching**

"What brought me back to coaching was a completely unexpected opportunity," said Dooner, who coached at Monterey High from 1997-2010 before moving to CHS as a teacher. "It had been five years, I was still very much a student of basketball, and, honestly, I had missed it."

He inherited a talent-laden roster that includes four players who went two rounds deep into the CCS Division

IV playoffs two years ago. The 2019-20 Padres finished 14-11 overall, 7-3 in the Pacific Coast Athletic League's Cypress Division, a second-place finish.

Those four — Elle Bohlman Abby

Those four — Elle Bohlman, Abby Shipnuck and Summer and Delaney Castagna — also played last spring on a team that went 5-2 (and qualified for CCS again) in a pandemic-abbreviated season, during which another current player, Astin Lathrop, also earned a varsity letter.

Bohlman, a 5-foot-9 senior, now in her fourth varsity season, blossomed last year with a 19.4-point scoring average (on a team that scored 48.4 per game), while also contributing 3.6 assists, 3.3 steals and 3.7 rebounds.

"Her leadership is amazing. It's really a joy to have a player like that as a cornerstone," Dooner said of Bohlman, who was a standout golfer this fall on a Padres team that placed second in the Gabilan Division, simultaneously serving as the first-string placekicker on the varsity football team.

She'll be a shooting guard and will also



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Junior Abby Shipnuck, in her third varsity season, is a skilled playmaker at point quard.

share point guard duties with 5-6 junior Abby Shipnuck, a two-year starter at that position, where she averaged 5.6 points, 4.4 assists, and 3.9 steals last spring on the heels of a freshman season when she dealt 2.7 assists and got 2.8 steals. She's the daughter of junior varsity coach Alan Shipnuck.

"Abby and Elle have similar skill sets — both have a good outside shot, they can penetrate to the rim, they're talented playmakers, and they're very aggressive on defense. That gives me a lot of opportunity to mix things up," Dooner said.

#### **Strong sister act**

The Castagna sisters — daughters of varsity assistant coach Dave Castagna —3 bring size, strength, and smarts to Carmel's inside game.

Summer Castagna, a 5-9 center, is a standout passer

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with great hands, Dooner said. As a sophomore last spring, she ranked second on the team in rebounds (5.9), fourth in scoring (4.1).

Delaney Castagna, a 5-11 power forward, averaged

4.1 rebounds last year as a freshman. And this year, in the Padres' season-opening 52-29 rout of Everett Alvarez, she was credited with 14 points, 14 rebounds, and three blocked shots.

The fifth letter-winner, Lathrop, a 5-11 junior forward, has the size to play underneath but is also developing an outside shot that could help stretch the defense.

But that's only the beginning.

A freshman, Caroline Byrne — whose big brother is

two-time Gabilan Division Player of the Year J.T. Byrne (now a scholarship football player at Oregon State) — looms as an impactful addition for the Padres under the basket. She also brings strong ball-handling skills, court awareness, and slick moves in the paint, her coach said.

In her varsity debut against Alvarez, Byrne hit four of the five shots she attempted, scoring eight points. She grabbed four rebounds, blocked three shots, and stole the ball three times.

Dooner is equally excited about a talented newcomer, Elise Rydeheard, a move-in from Kansas who can play point guard, shooting guard, and small forward.

"She's bringing a whole bunch of skills, which has me feeling really lucky about our guard position," he said of the junior.

#### The talent runs deep

Emma Heiser, a junior, is yet another who can play either backcourt position with defensive intensity, outside shooting ability, and aggression in attacking the basket.

Additional senior leadership will be provided by basketball newcomer Addie Crabbe, a 5-9 forward who earned All-Gabilan Division honors as the setter on Carmel's volleyball team in the fall.

Senior Ruby Carr (sibling of Max Carr, who played on two CCS boys title teams) and junior Peyton Kelly (daughter of head baseball coach Mike Kelly) bring additional depth to the backcourt.

And the frontcourt is further bolstered by 5-8 Riley Palshaw, an outside shooter and intense defender, and 5-9 Oluwafunmilayo "Tosin" Oladokun, a promising post player. Both are juniors.

"We have guards who can push the pace, and that's what we're going to do," Dooner said. "We'll play an up-tempo style of basketball."

The 2019-20 Cypress Division champion, Stevenson, has been boosted upstairs to the Mission Division, but Carmel, which finished second, returns to the Cypress to compete with Gilroy, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Soledad and St. Francis.

The Padres went 3-1 in December, routing Everett Alvarez (52-29), Hilmar (49-21), and North County (72-35), and losing on the road against Aptos (47-29), a school that has averaged 25 victories in each of its last four full seasons.

Carmel has two more non-division games — Jan. 6 at Stevenson (7 p.m.) and Jan. 8 at home against San Benito (5 p.m.) — before its Cypress Division opener on Jan. 11 at Pacific Grove (7 p.m.).

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"We invite the public to witness our incredibly talented musicians journey through the rehearsal process," cellist Michelle Djokic told The Pine Cone.

Besides Djokic, the quintet includes violinists Liana Berube and Tien-Hsin Cindy Wu, violist David Samuel and bassist William Everett. "They are among the top performing chamber musicians, and they're gifted and generous human beings," said Djokic, who also owns the Sand Box.

Titled "Bohemian Nights," Sunday's program includes Biber's Fidicinum Sacro Profanum, Sonata No.9 in G Major, Kodaly's Intermezzo for String Trio, and Dvorak's String Quintet in G Major, Opus 77.

Saturday's rehearsal is free and starts at 7 p.m., while Sunday's concert begins at 4 p.m., and tickets are \$35. Proof of vaccination and masks are required. The Sand Box is located at 440 Ortiz Ave., sandboxsandcity.com.

Way down the coast on Thursday, Djorak teams up with violinist Edward Huizinga and violist Cynthia Black

### On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

to play Bach's Goldberg Variations Dec. 23 at the New Camaldoli Hermitage in Big Sur.

The music starts at 11 a.m. Tickets are \$75. Masks and distancing are required. The hermitage is located on Highway 1 about 50 miles south of Rio Road. For tickets, visit edwinhuizinga.com and scroll down.

#### ■ Symphony eyes Sunset return

Single concert tickets are now on sale for the Monterey Symphony's 75th anniversary season, which kicks off Feb. 19-20 at Sunset Center, when conductor **Donato** Cabrera leads the orchestra, which will be accompanied by cellist Julian Schwarz.

"This will be our first concert at Sunset since the pandemic started," executive director Nicola Reilly said. "It's a big deal — it's finally happening."

Each of the season's four concerts will showcase a conductor who is a finalist to be the symphony's next

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Violinist Tien-Hsin Cindy Wu (left) will be part of a quintet performing this weekend at the Sand Box in Sand City. Single concert tickets went on sale this week for the Monterey Symphony's new season. The first concert will showcase cellist Julian Schwarz (center) and conductor Donato Cabrera (right), who is one of four candidates to be the symphony's next music director

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### Chez Noir coming, RLS and Meals on Wheels, and Christmas options

THE PLANNING commission last week approved former Post Ranch Inn executive chef Jonny Black's application to open a new restaurant, Chez Noir, which he says will serve as an "homage to the Central Coast — to the farmers, fishermen and artisans who founded and culti-

### Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

vated the region surrounding Carmel-by-the-Sea."

Chez Noir, to be operated by Black and his wife, Monique, will be located in the new complex being built across the street from the post office on Fifth Avenue between Dolores and San Carlos. The previous building at that location was the longtime home of China Gourmet and was then occupied by La Dolce Vita Italian restaurant for a few years. It was demolished to make way for the new restaurant and two apartments.

#### The people

The Blacks have long careers in hospitality.

Jonny Black received a full scholarship to the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, N.Y., graduating with honors in 2007, and went on to cook in New York City, stage in Europe and then return to work in restaurants in New York, Washington D.C., and San Francisco. Several of them received multiple Michelin stars during his tenure, including Quince and highly regarded Dominique Crenn's Atelier Crenn, Petit Crenn and Bar Crenn, all in San Francisco. He spent 10 months at Post Ranch before going to work as a private chef while refining his business plan for Chez Noir.

Monique Black started as a line cook in NYC and cooked in the open kitchens at Colonie and Governor before moving to the front of the house when she relocated to San Francisco to take a job at Quince. After the Blacks worked together at Pineapple and Pearls in Washington, D.C., they came back West and she worked at Coi until the birth of their second child.

Together, they "look forward to cultivating a unique blend of bar-setting cuisine and warm, family-friendly hospitality at Chez Noir."

#### The concept

According to the sample menus they provided in their investor deck, the Blacks envision an a la carte menu to be served only at their small, eight-seat bar, with items like house sourdough with mussels, Morro Bay oysters and mignonette, charred shishito peppers, Dungeness crab gratin, and beer-battered smelts.

A sample prix fixe menu features Big Sur mussels with



Jonny Black

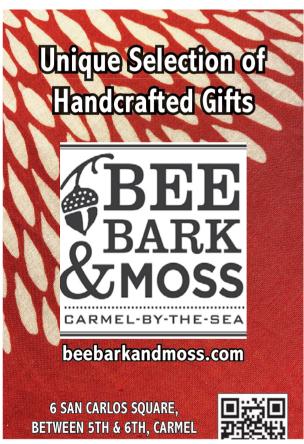


watercress and fennel, Fisherman's Tortellini with cioppino broth and fennel, wood-roasted black cod, and apple and vanilla custard tart. A supplement could be added for Tsar Nicoulai reserve caviar and sea urchin with buckwheat crepes and onion.

They also provided a "seafood bar menu," listing oysters, sea urchin, scallops, caviar and items from the "seasonal raw bar," as well as bites like Monterey sardine escabeche and local anchovy toast, several main courses and a handful of desserts. The menus are all seafood-heavy, in keeping with the Blacks' predictions that "close relationships with local fishermen will also be central to the

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restaurant's identity, as will the championing of regional farmers and artisans.'

The planning commission didn't discuss or debate the Blacks' permit, other than to confirm the number of seats should be 50 inside (including the eight at the bar) and 25 outside, since that's what the previous restaurant's permit allowed.

#### ■ Kids helping seniors

Meals on Wheels of the Monterey Peninsula is working with students at Robert Louis Stevenson high school in Pebble Beach to provide special holiday care packages to homebound seniors, according to Jacob Shafer, who works for the nonprofit.



Students at Robert Louis Stevenson teamed up with Meals on Wheels of the Monterey Peninsula to put together holiday care packages for homebound residents.

More than 30 Pirate Parent Club volunteers joined Meals on Wheels' executive director, Christine Winge, who also graduated from RLS, to assemble 350 packages containing necessities like toilet paper, soap, hand sanitizer and facial tissue, and fun items like crossword puzzle books, pens and holiday decorations.

Families of boarding students from throughout the United States and abroad contributed items as part of the club's fall community service program, according to Shafer. "This community partnership is dedicated to helping the most vulnerable older adults feel loved and appreciated," he said. "For many, this will be the only present they receive this holiday season."

Winge plans to pursue an ongoing partnership with RLS "that could focus on food justice and understanding the systemic causes of senior hunger, including

> raising awareness about our programs, writing letters to seniors, and strengthening leadership skills together.'

#### ■ Breakfast with Santa!

Mission Trail Lions of Carmel will present the 13th Annual Breakfast with Santa Saturday, Dec. 18, at the Carmel Youth Center on Fourth between Torres and Junipero, next to Carmel P.D.

Breakfast will run from 8:30 to 11 a.m. and will include pancakes, sausage, fresh fruit, juice, hot chocolate, coffee and tea.

The cost is \$6 for kids 12 and under and \$10 for adults, and tickets will be available at the door, cash only. In addition, a drawing will be held for two bikes, and tickets are \$5 apiece.

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#### ■ Christmas options

As usual, the Monterey Peninsula boasts plenty of ways to dine out on Christmas Eve and/or Christmas for anyone who wants to escape the kitchen or who might be visiting the Peninsula.

Quail Lodge is doing more than just offering dinner—though that can be had at the Carmel Valley resort too, of course. This year, a Holiday Suite Deal "offers guests a suite decked out in holiday cheer, full-size Christmas tree and fireplace for Santa included," as well as Laurent-Perrier Champagne, sweet treats, Nespresso holiday coffee, luxury bath products and other goodies. The promotion is available when reserving a room.

Christmas dinner will be offered at the Covey Grill in the lodge for dine in and takeout.

In the restaurant from 4 to 9 p.m., a three-course prix fixe will be available for \$60 per person plus tax. Starters will be choices of chanterelle chowder, sausage-stuffed mushrooms on endive and spinach salad, or grilled Hog Island oysters with bearnaise. Entrée options will be herb-crusted prime rib with potatoes au gratin and roasted Brussels sprouts, veal shank with polenta, or housemade

cheese and chili tamales. Dessert will be apple pie with maple ice cream or persimmon crème brulée with clove and cinnamon shortbread.

Dinner to go can be picked up anytime on Christmas between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m., as long as it's ordered by 3 p.m. Dec. 22. A whole ham dinner for six can be ordered for \$160 plus tax (add or sub in prime rib for another \$100), with sides of potatoes au gratin, rosemary and brown sugar yams, green beans, Parker House rolls and butter, bourbon glaze and fall harvest mixed green salad. The chef sends recipes for leftovers as a bonus. Personal plates are available for \$35 each.

Whole desserts serve eight and cost \$45 plus tax, and include apple or pecan pie, or brioche and raisin bread pudding with hard sauce. Additional sides are available, too.

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#### Ugly sweaters

Jacks Monterey in the Portola Hotel at the foot of Alvarado Street in Monterey will serve dinner Christmas Eve from 4 to 10 p.m., with a Monterey Bay cioppino special in addition to the regular dinner menu for \$45. On Christmas from noon to 8 p.m., guests will enjoy a three-course prix fixe with red and golden beets with feta and pancetta for the first course and entrée choices of prime rib, Diestel turkey with gravy and stuffing, halibut and porcini or Mama's eggplant parmesan, all served with Brussels sprouts, cauliflower and shallots, and whipped potatoes. Dessert will be Chef Marco's Christmas Yule



Quail Lodge is offering extra holiday cheer this year with dinners available Christmas Eve and Christmas day, and a special suite package.

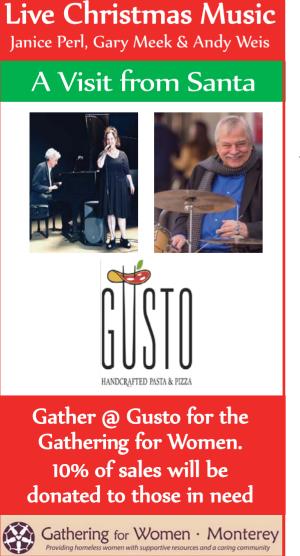
Log. The cost is \$65 plus tax and tip. For reservations for either night, call (831) 649-7830.

Next door at Peter B's Brewpub, Christmas will be celebrated from noon to 8 p.m. with comfort food and ugly sweaters. Show up in your favorite or buy a sweatshirt at the brewery, and tuck into a traditional holiday dinner plate of turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, green bean casserole, stuffing, cranberry sauce and Yule Log. The plate costs \$35 plus tax and tip, and the regular menu will

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Reservations must be made by Dec. 21, with pickup available Dec. 24 between 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. To order, call (831) 622-8214.

And Estéban Restaurant in Monterey is offering Christmas dinner for dine-in between 4 and 8 p.m. and for takeout between 3 and 6 p.m., as long as orders are placed by Dec. 21 at 5 p.m. The threecourse dinner costs \$75 per person plus tax and includes Dungeness crab chowder or a baby wedge salad, slow-roasted prime rib with roasted garlic whipped potatoes, winter harvest vegetables, jus and horseradish cream, and pecan pie or pumpkin roulade. Estéban is located at 700 Munras Ave. in the Casa Munras Garden Hotel. Call (831) 375-0176 to reserve or (831) 324-6773 to place a to-go order.

#### **Fancy**

Aubergine Restaurant, the only restaurant in town to possess a Michelin star, also prepares Christmas Eve dinner to go, from

honey-glazed Muscovy duck confit for two for \$120, to whole roasted goose for four for \$320, and sides like caviar or presentations such as a shellfish tower (whole Dungeness crab, whole lobster, 10 poached shrimp, eight oysters and an ounce of Siberian caviar for \$250). Desserts (kugelhopf, eggnog bread pudding with toffee sauce, and chocolate and caramel Bûche de Noël) serve about a half-dozen people and cost

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#### Join the community

The Kiwanis Club of Monterey, Food Bank for Monterey County and City of Monterey want to ensure everyone who wants one gets a Christmas dinner. Similar to the effort they undertook at Thanksgiving, they'll host a drive-through and walk-up Community Holiday Dinner distribution Thursday, Dec. 23, in the Dennis the Menace parking lot at 777 Pearl St.

Each meal kit will include "all of the fixings to prepare your traditional holiday meal" for a family of four or for six to eight people. They're prepackaged and the same for everyone.

Because the exchange is contact-less, reservations must be made at signupgenius.com/go/montereyholidaymealkitsdec23 and are available every half-hour between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Face masks will be required for everyone when picking up.

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Like just about every other arts group, the symphony has faced extraordinary challenges keeping live music alive during Covid, so this gift-giving season is particularly important for its fiscal outlook. The symphony is pouring considerable resources into its search for a new music director, so if you would like to help, visit monterevsymphony.org.

'We really want folks to see the four candidates," Reilly added. "We want to know what people think."

#### ■ Busking for a good cause

A 9-year-old who attends Tularcitos School in Carmel Valley, Hayden Corbett spent the first Saturday in December at Fisherman's Wharf in Monterey singing songs and playing his ukulele to raise money so three brothers who live in Castroville can get new bicycles for Christmas. He was accompanied by his bassett hound, Bohdi. "Thanks to

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Hayden went back the next Saturday and raised enough money to buy bikes for two more kids whose families couldn't afford them.

#### ■ Live music Dec. 17-23

Bernardus Lodge & Spa in Carmel Valley — pianist Joe Indence (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), multi-instrumentalist Gary Regina (jazz, Saturday at noon), pianist Michael Culver (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.), guitarist Richard Devinck (classical, Sunday at noon) and guitarist Robert McNamara (jazz, classical and pop, Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). In the Lucia Restaurant & Bar at 415 W. Carmel Valley Road, (831) 658-3400.

**Big Sur River Inn** — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (folk, Saturday at 1 p.m.). On Highway 1 24 miles south of Carmel, (831) 667-2700.

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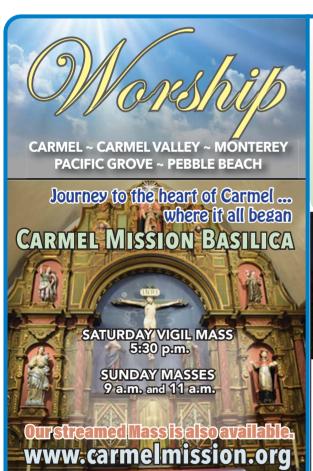
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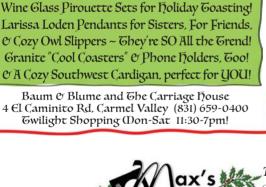
**Tarpy's** in Monterey — singer and multi-instrumentalist Casey Wickstrom (blues and rock, Friday at 5 p.m.), singer and guitarist Johan Sotelo (Saturday at noon) and singer and guitarist Scott Slaughter (Sunday at noon). 2999 Highway 68, (831) 647-1444.

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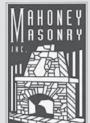
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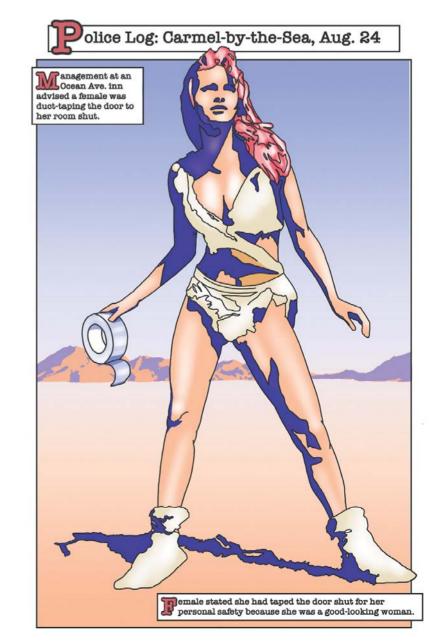
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Students from the Dance Center put on a holiday-themed show Friday and Saturday at Old Fisherman's Wharf in Monterey.

# Wharf celebration wraps up with dancers, live music

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

BRINGING A blast of the Christmas spirit to one of Monterey's most colorful sites, Old Fisherman's Wharf hosts a busy weekend slate of holiday-inspired events this weekend, wrapping up two weeks of "Christmas on the Wharf' festivities.

Students from the Dance Center present musical theater Friday at 5 p.m. and Saturday at 2:30 p.m. Ranging from fifth graders to 12th graders, the kids will put on a holiday-themed show that brings together singing, dancing and acting.

"We really enjoy spreading the holiday cheer," co-owner and artistic director Laura Jeselnick told The Pine Cone.

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On Sunday at 1 p.m., singer and guitarist Katherine Lavin takes the stage. Backed by a band of her family members, the 13-year-old serves up a mix of pop and rock originals and covers, including favorites by the Beatles and Beach Boys. Following Lavin Sunday will be the Peninsula Harmony Company, which performs at 5 p.m.

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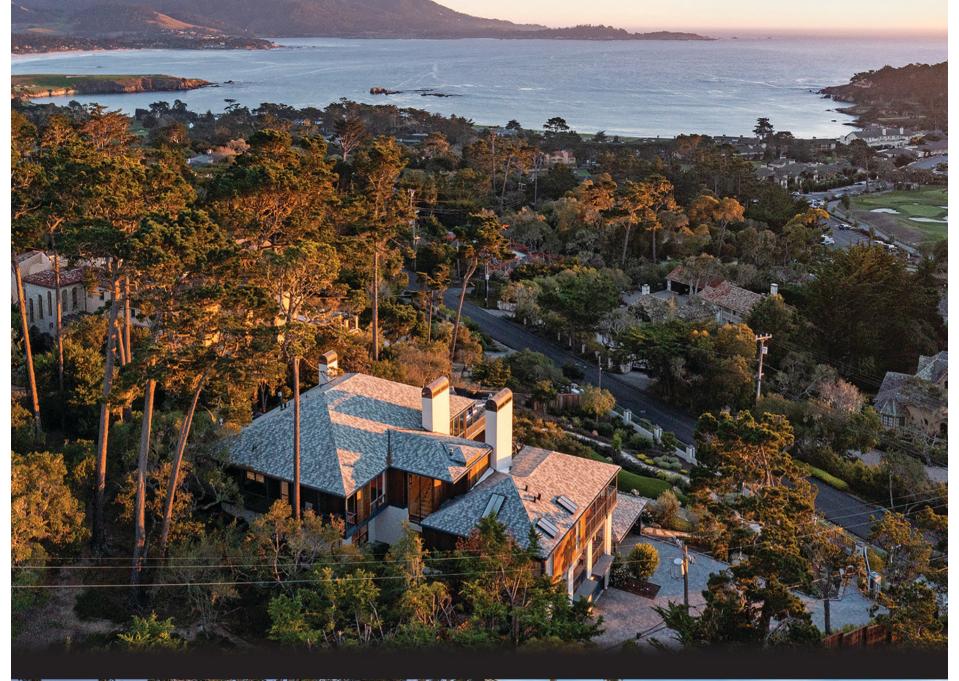
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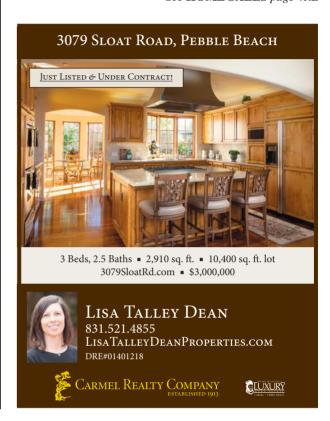
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78 Boronda Road, Carmel Valley — \$2,350,000

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Cpines 7 LLC to D&K Dolores LLC APN: 010-145-022



145 San Remo Road, Carmel Highlands — \$3,675,000

#### 26212 Scenic Road - \$9,500,000

Susan Tellep to Scenic Sunset LLC APN: 009-432-004

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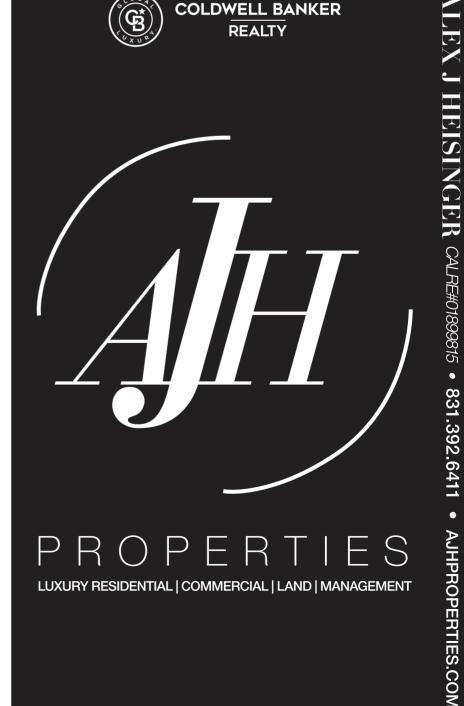
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MY GRANDSON was tasked by his teacher to interview a grandparent. One of the questions he asked me was, "Grandpa, what do you do when you get as old as you

I wanted to leave him with something that would win the approbation of his teacher and classmates. I couldn't tell him about some disquieting facts, such as a diminishing shelf life and the slow, inevitable slide down the pecking order. It probably wouldn't wash with his teacher to mention how I sit with my contemporaries talking about neck wattles, prostate exams, shoes with Velcro closures and hopes of plea-bargaining the insult of our infirmities

down to misdemeanors with doctors too young to understand sleepless nights or spells of uncertainty.

So I told him that I've become an Observer. I sit in coffee shops and on benches examining the human condition

# **Scenic Views**

By JERRY GERVASE

and make comments about it in a newspaper column. Of course, he asked me what I've observed.

I've observed a local man who wants Carmel to deputize citizens to report other citizens violating short-term rental ordinances. After some minimal training at the police station, these deputies would be issued a tablet of citations. When a violation of the rental laws occur, one of these deputies can issue the culprits a citation. Maybe the deputies can be issued uniforms so we know who they are. Uniforms would be nice. To his credit, he didn't suggest re-education camps for the violators. He also didn't mention the deputies' charter being extended now that indoor mask mandates are reinstated.

#### Of masks and mistletoe

Speaking of which, from my bench on Scenic Road I've observed people walking on the path, enjoying the pristine clean air, wearing masks. I cannot think of a healthier pastime than a brisk walk breathing in unfiltered ocean air. The mask wearers give me a wide berth because I am unmasked and unafraid. I think they are frowning, but who can tell? When I encounter another unmasked person we smile at each other as if we are members of a secret society with a password (freedom) and secret fist bump.

Gavin Newsom's new indoor mask mandate runs through Christmas and New Years. We won't see Mommy kissing Santa Claus underneath the mistletoe. Silent Night will indeed be silent as our words of worship and devotion are muffled through Dr. Fauci mouth mufflers.

I've observed a year of violence. Can it happen here? Yes it can. The smash-and-grab violence in cities such as Chicago, San Francisco, Los Angeles and New York visited us when domestic terrorists used hammers to smash display cases at a local jewelry store to steal expensive items. Maybe more citizen deputies could prevent future

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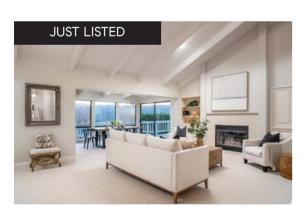


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#### 9 Mal Paso Road - \$3,100,000

David Glickman to Scott Ahrendt and Liana Genovesi APN: 243-171-005

#### 145 San Remo Road - \$3,675,000

Randall Dormeyer to Monterey Shore Holdings LLC APN: 243-193-005

#### **Carmel Valley**

#### 178 Del Mesa Carmel — \$675,000

Rene Madamba to Janet O'Donnell and Craig Bonds APN: 015-512-013

#### 91 Calle de Quien Sabe Road — \$825,000

Phyllis Shultz to Cyndy Hodges APN: 189-361-004

#### 168 Del Mesa Carmel — \$886,000

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Wayne Williams to Elia Betbadal APN: 416-133-008

#### 700 Tesoro Road — \$3,650,000

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#### 330 Morse Court - \$900,000

David Sergienko to Chu Pak APN: 032-283-005

#### 488 Ferris Circle - \$988,000

Robin Nowak to Jennifer Hsiung APN: 032-372-013

#### 3018 Arrido Way - \$1,024,000

JPA Marina Builders to Diane Spadaro APN: 031-277-052

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#### 461 Dela Vina Avenue unit 103 — \$530,000

Jason Trigleth to Juan Torres APN: 013-122-014

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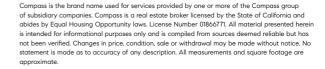
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#### **GERVASE** From page 6RE

attacks.

I've observed a female swimmer at University of Pennsylvania bravely come forward and describe how her fellow teammates were in tears after a transgender swimmer, Lia Thomas, crushed them in a swim meet. Thomas, who had competed on the college team for two years as a male, bragged about shattering women's swimming records. When the females on the team complained about the unfairness of the situation, the university advised them to shut up and avoid talking to the media.

#### **Getting crazier**

I've observed a crazy world getting crazier. According to media outlets, people in Sweden are increasingly in favor of having microchips inserted into their bodies that contain their Covid-19 vaccination records. Those individuals could then use their smartphones to display their vaccination information. Hmm. Maybe it's time to go back and re-read the Bible's book of Revelations.

When my grandson asked how I viewed life in general, I told him this story:

In his book, "The Heart Of A People,"

author Moshe Kempinski relates how his father fought in Israel's War of Independence in 1948. After many days of severe fighting, trying to hold a hill against the invading Egyptian army, his small band of soldiers was exhausted and low on ammunition. His father pulled out some chocolate and began passing it around to the others in the trench.

They told him he was crazy and this wasn't the time for chocolate. Kempinski's father explained they had done everything they could in the battle and that life and death are in the control of a higher authority. He told them to take a piece of chocolate, say a blessing over it, and enjoy the sweetness of the moment. But it turned out he and the others were destined to enjoy chocolate and taste its sweetness for many

And that is one of the important observations I've made about life. Regardless of all the craziness in the world, in the words of the late Jackie Gleason, "How sweet it is." We need to enjoy every moment of it.

Then my grandson asked, "What is it like to be old?'

"I don't know," I said. "As long as a man has intelligence and affection in his life, he is not old. Now, let's go get some chocolate.'

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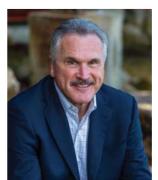
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#### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29**

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Dog in front of a residence at Lincoln and Fourth trying to get in. No one was home, so the dog was taken to the station. Owner was contacted and picked

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Cell phone lost in the area of Fifth and Torres.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Hit-and-run on Do-

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Reckless driver arrested at Ocean and Hatton after colliding with several vehicles and leading police on a brief chase. The 31-year-old male was booked into Monterey County Jail for reckless driving, hit-and-run, evading police with a disregard for public safety, evading causing possible injury or death and evading by driving against traffic. His 27-year-old girlfriend was arrested for probation violation, DUI, driving on a suspended license and obstructing an officer. She was also booked into Monterey County Jail.

Pacific Grove: Subject on Gibson was

placed on a mental health hold.

Pacific Grove: Timer plugs were found on Lighthouse. An officer was dispatched to retrieve the item.

Pacific Grove: Neighbor dispute on Park Street involving assault by a 72-year-old fe-

Pacific Grove: Report of suspicious circumstances in the 800 block of Forest. Determined to be unfounded.

Pebble Beach: Subject was warned about trespassing at a gated community on Sunridge Road.

#### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30**

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Hit-and-run at Lincoln and Seventh.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fall on city property at San Carlos and Seventh.

Pacific Grove: A saw was found on Forest Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Report of a violation of a court order in the 1200 block of Forest. Case forwarded to the district attorney.

Carmel area: A woman reported her adult daughter as a missing person. She was located on San Juan Road, and it was deter-

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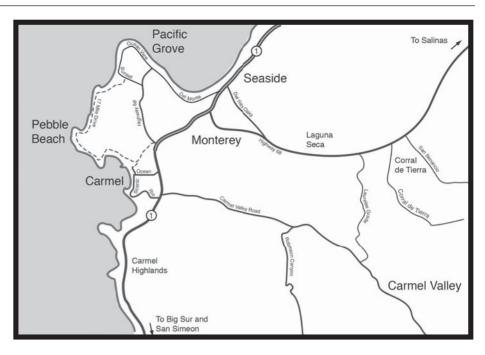
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# SHERIFF

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mined she was not in distress.

Big Sur: Citizen on Highway 1 reported the theft of his watch.

Carmel Valley: Documentation of a civil matter on Parrot Ranch Road.

Carmel Valley: Resident on Nason Road reported the fraudulent use of his credit card.

Carmel Valley: Resident reported a violation of a restraining order on Upper Circle.

#### **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1**

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle vs. parked vehicle non-injury collision on Junipero.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person reported that a dog acted aggressively and chased him while he was jogging at Scenic and Eighth. He stated when he returned to the area, the dog was still off leash and started chasing and circling again. The dog owner was unable to gain control over the dog. The dog was described as a golden-doodle type breed. The man observed the dog owner in a vehicle leaving the beach and provided the vehicle license information. The next day, the dog owner was contacted and confirmed that the dog was off leash and not responding, but she thought her dog's actions were playing. The dog owner was advised of the off-leash voice-command rules and will keep the dog on a leash.

Pacific Grove: Person reported threats

made through a third party. Information only. Pacific Grove: Trespass admonishment at

a job site on Prescott Lane. Carmel area: Ocean Avenue resident was

referred to the hospital for a psychiatric evaluation.

#### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2**

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Theft from a mailbox on Ridgewood.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic stop at Carpenter and Fifth resulted in a probationer being arrested for possessing burglary tools and drug paraphernalia. The 29-year-old male Monterey resident was transported to Monterey County Jail.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a fall on city property in the area of San Carlos and Eighth.

Pacific Grove: Catalytic converter was stolen from a vehicle on Marino Pines Road. Victim was unable to identify any suspects.

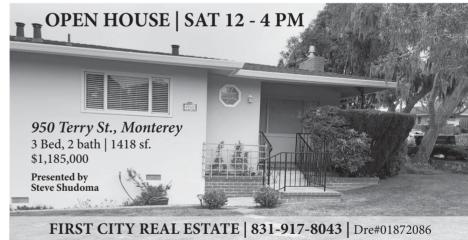
Pacific Grove: Unknown subjects stole approximately \$1,000 worth of miscellaneous property from an unlocked vehicle on

Pacific Grove: Catalytic converter stolen from vehicle on 19th Street by unknown per-

Pacific Grove: Juvenile issue on Sunset. Mental health evaluation. Pacific Grove: Hit-and-run of an unoccu-

pied vehicle on Spruce. Pacific Grove: Juvenile subject on Pied-

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mont had suicidal ideations. He was placed on a W&I 5150 hold [danger to self or others] and transported to CHOMP.

Pacific Grove: A purse found on Lighthouse Avenue was turned in at the PGPD lobby. Contact attempted but met with negative results. Purse held for safekeeping.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a report of a suspicious subjects on Story Road.

Big Sur: A search and rescue mission was activated for two lost PG&E workers on Highway 1.

#### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officers responded to a barking dog complaint on San Carlos north of First. Attempted to locate where the barking was coming from. The next day, followed up with the complaint and located the dog owners. Information was obtained, and a warning was given for barking ordinance and dog license.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found lanyard with credit card and

some currency at Junipero and Ocean.

Pacific Grove: A physical altercation occurred on Presidio Boulevard. A 45-year-old female was identified as the suspect.

Pacific Grove: Courtesy report for fraud that occurred outside of PGPD jurisdiction.

Pacific Grove: Suspicious circumstances on Forest Lodge Road.

Carmel area: Juvenile subject on High Meadow Drive was placed on 5585 W&I hold.

Carmel area: Deputies responded to Carmel Rancho Lane for a report of lost property.

Pacific Grove: Deputies responded after report of a suspicious person on David Avenue.

#### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4**

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fall on city property on Junipero south of Eighth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle towed from Junipero and

Fifth for expired registration.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female reported losing her fanny pack while visiting the downtown area. Carmel area: Deputies were dispatched to a report of a

past-tense attempted suicide on Dove Court. The subject was later placed on a 5150 W&I hold.

Big Sur: Subject on Garrapatos Road was transported to CHOMP for a 72-hour evaluation.

#### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5**

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found credit card turned in to the

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject began receiving threatening text messages from "the cartel" demanding money following a text exchange with "an escort" from a local adult website. Research showed this to be a common scam. Reporting party was counseled and close patrol offered.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Patron given a trespass advisement from a bar on Lincoln south of Ocean.







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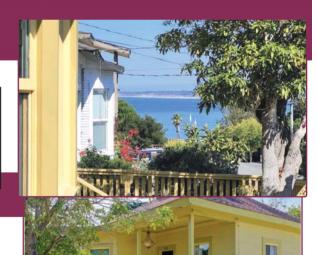
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Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: THE PISTOL SQUAD LLC, 20 Secondo Way, Watsonville, CA 95076.
Mailing address: 109 E 17th Street, Suite 470, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82001.
County of Principal Place of Business: Nonterey.
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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.:
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 quilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000]. 1 am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the Calitornia Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 2250-6277).
Sylhomas A. Damsen, Managing Member Date: Nov. 18, 2021.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 18, 2021.

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 1441) et seq., Business and Professions Code). Publication dates: Nov. 26; Dec. 3, 10, 17, 2021. (PC 1124)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20212539
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):

Counfy 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.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALINFORMATION 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).
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

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) 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 1441) et seq., Business and Professions Code).

Publication Dates: Nov. 26; Dec. 3, 10, 17, 2021. (PC 1125)

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20212510
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following personnel.

File No. 20212510
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The toflowing 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 fictilious business name or names listed above on Nov. 12, 2021.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any moterial 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).
S/Dina Marie Stover
Date signed: Nov. 12, 2021
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 12, 2021.

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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 if 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 1441) et seq., Business and Professions Code).

Publication Dates: Nov. 26; Dec. 3, 10, 17, 2021. (PC 1126)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20212409
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: A 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:

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Legals must be submitted no later than 4:00PM

~ Monday, December 21~

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Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Req.:
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.
He registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Oct. 29, 2021.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material malter pursuant to Section 17,913 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). 1 am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public, record upon statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).

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

Clerk of Moniterey County on Oct. 29, 2021 CE-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 Fictificus Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 1441) et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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

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File No. 20212496
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: IC 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 ficilitious 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).
Jose Carlos Rios Flores
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 (b) of tive years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk except, as provided in Subdivision (b) 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 those in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 1441) et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: Nov. 26; Dec. 3, 10, 17, 2021. (PC 1128)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20212516
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are)
business as STONE MOU

File No. 20212516
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: STONE MOUNTAIN HEALING, 222 17th St., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.
Gounty of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
KARIN ANDREWS ENZ, P.O Box 58, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.
This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictilious business name or names listed above on Nov. 1, 2021.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilly of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/Karin En. Vo. 15, 2021
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 15, 2021.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision and of Section 1790.00 e. Eintitive Name.

Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 15, 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 1791 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 1441) et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: Nov. 26; Dec. 3, 10, 17, 2021. (PC 1129)

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is/are) doing business as: ZIMMERMAN GALLERY, Block 76 Dolores St. near Ocean St., Carmel, CA 93923.
Mailing address: 27665 Selfridge Ln., Carmel, CA 93923.
County of Princinal Place of Rusiness.

Carmel, CA 93923.
County of Principal Place of Business:
MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
MARC STEVEN ZIMMERMAN, 27665
Selfridge Ln., Carmel, CA 93923.
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact

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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). S/Marc Steven Zimmerman Date signed: Nov. 19, 2021

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 19, 2021.

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision

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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 filled 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 tacts 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 1441) et seq., Business and Professions Code). Publication Dates: Dec. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2021. (PC 1201)

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20212526
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: CALIFORNIA, 417
AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR SALINAS, 417
La Mesa Dr., Salinas, CA 93901.
Mailing address: P.O. Box 1351,
Salinas, CA 93903.
County of Principal Place of Business:

MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
HENRY PAUL MACIAS, 417 La Mesa Dr.,
Salinas, CA 93901.
RAYMOND LUIS GARCIA, 18664
Cleveland Ave., Salinas, CA 93906.
This business is conducted by a general
partnership.
The registrant commenced to transact
business under the fictitious business name
or names listed above on Nov. 13, 2021.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALI
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 adollars (\$1,000).
S/Henry Macias
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: Dec. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2021. (PC 1202)

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#### **NOTICE OF APPLICATION**

#### California American Water's Request to Increase Rates

APPLICATION A.21-11-024 of California-American Water Company to Obtain Approval of the Amended and Restated Water Purchase Agreement for the Pure Water Monterey Groundwater Replenishment Project, Update Supply and Demand Estimates for the Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project, and Cost Recovery

On November 29, 2021, California American Water filed its Application to Obtain Approval of the Amended and Restated Water Purchase Agreement for the Pure Water Monterey Groundwater Replenishment Project, Update Supply and Demand Estimates for the Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project, and Cost Recovery (A.21-11-024) with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). The application is requesting a total of \$24.78 million of increased revenue phased through 2025, of which \$8.49 million is related to expansion of the Pure Water Monterey facility and \$16.29 million is related to cost recovery of necessary related California American Water capital improvements.

If the CPUC approves this application, California American Water will recover forecasted costs in rates over a three-year period beginning January 1, 2023. This will impact your bill.

#### Why is California American Water requesting this rate increase?

- The increase will cover costs to purchase water from the planned expansion of the Pure Water Monterey recycled water project and to construct company facilities, including pipelines, wells, and pump stations that are needed to deliver the Pure Water Monterey Project's advanced treated recycled water from the Seaside Groundwater Basin to California American Water customers. The increase is expected to be implemented in three phases as new facilities are built and operational.
- The Pure Water Monterey Project uses advanced water recycling technology to treat wastewater to certain standards so that it may be injected in the Seaside Groundwater Basin, mixed with other sources of water and, after a defined period of time, be extracted and delivered to customers for potable use. The expansion of this project is necessary, given state-imposed cutbacks to the Carmel River and limits on groundwater pumping in the Seaside Groundwater Basin.
- The additional facilities will improve California American Water's ability to efficiently manage its limited supplies even before the expanded Pure Water Monterey Project is constructed.

#### How could this affect my water bill?

If California American Water's rate request is approved by the CPUC, the average residential bill with a 5/8" meter using 38.44 CGL per month would increase by approximately \$27.24 or 22.7% per month by 2025.

Proposed Revenue Increase									
	January 2023 <sup>(1)</sup>		July 2024 (2)		January 2025 (3)		September 2025 <sup>(4)</sup>		
Customer Class	\$ Increase	<u>%</u> Increase	\$ Increase	<u>%</u> Increase	\$ Increase	<u>%</u> Increase	\$ Increase	<u>%</u> Increase	<u>Total \$</u> <u>Increase</u>
Residential	\$1,740,870	4.55%	\$4,590,103	11.48%	\$2,577,151	5.78%	\$4,991,359	10.58%	\$13,899,484
Multi-Residential	\$282,690	4.65%	\$1,106,026	17.38%	\$418,625	5.60%	\$810,527	10.27%	\$2,617,869
Commercial	\$840,560	4.29%	\$2,356,875	11.54%	\$1,244,144	5.46%	\$2,409,754	10.03%	\$6,851,334
Industrial	\$4,204	4.35%	\$11,634	11.53%	\$6,222	5.53%	\$12,051	10.15%	\$34,111
Public Authority	\$165,333	4.43%	\$406,400	10.42%	\$244,721	5.68%	\$473,994	10.41%	\$1,290,448
Sale for Resale	\$972	9.17%	\$2,592	22.39%	\$1,439	10.16%	\$2,787	17.86%	\$7,791
Construction	\$13,218	5.57%	\$11,736	4.68%	\$19,543	7.45%	\$37,928	13.46%	\$82,425
	\$3,047,848		\$8,485,367		\$4,511,846		\$8,738,401		\$24,783,461

- (1) Includes revenue requirement increases for the Parallel Pipeline and Carmel Valley Pump Station (approximately January 2023)
- (2) Includes increase in purchased water surcharge (approximately July 2024) (3) Includes revenue requirement increases for Extraction Wells 1&2 and Chemical Treatment Facility (approximately January 2025)
- (4) Includes revenue requirement increases for Extraction Wells 3&4 (approximately September 2025)

	Proposed Annual Increases for the Average Customer in the Monterey Service Area								
Year	Meter Size	Average Use (CGL)	Current Bill	% Increase	\$ Increase	Total Bill			
January 2023 (1)(2)	5/8-inch	38.44	\$120.19	2.37%	\$2.85	\$123.04			
July 2024 <sup>(3)</sup>	5/8-inch	38.44	\$123.04	9.76%	\$12.01	\$135.05			
January 2025 <sup>(4)</sup>	5/8-inch	38.44	\$135.05	3.12%	\$4.22	\$139.27			
September 2025 (5)	5/8-inch	38.44	\$139.27	5.86%	\$8.17	\$147.43			

- (1) Current Bill reflects 2021 Test Year Rates Authorized in D.21-11-018
- (2) Includes revenue requirement increases for the Parallel Pipeline and Carmel Valley Pump Station (approximately January 2023)

(3) Includes increase in purchased water surcharge (approximately July 2024)

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#### How does the rest of this process work?

This application will be assigned to a CPUC Administrative Law Judge who will consider proposals and evidence presented during the formal hearing process. The Administrative Law Judge will issue a proposed decision that may adopt California American Water's application, modify it, or deny it. Any CPUC Commissioner may sponsor an alternate decision with a different outcome. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon by the CPUC Commissioners at a public CPUC Voting Meeting.

Parties to the proceeding will review California American Water's application, including the Public Advocates Office, which is an independent consumer advocate within the CPUC that represents customers to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. For more information, please call 1-415-703-1584, email PublicAdvocatesOffice@cpuc.ca.gov, or visit PublicAdvocates.cpuc.ca.gov.

Your participation by providing your thoughts on California American Water's request can help the CPUC make an informed

#### Where can I get more information?

Contact California American Water Phone: (916) 568-4246 ca.rates@amwater.com Email:

511 Forest Lodge Road, Suite 100, Pacific Grove, CA 93950 Mail:

A copy of the Application and any related documents may also be reviewed at www.amwater.com/A2111024.

#### Contact CPUC

Please visit apps.cpuc.ca.gov/c/A2111024 to submit a comment about this proceeding on the CPUC Docket Card. Here you can also view documents and other public comments related to this proceeding

If you have questions about CPUC processes, you may contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at: 1-866-849-8390 (toll-free) or 1-415-703-2074 Phone:

Public.Advisor@cpuc.ca.gov CPUC Public Advisor's Office Mail: 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

Publication date Dec. 17, 2021 (PC1218)

Please reference Application A.21-11-024 in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS af-

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this Summons and Petition are served on you to file a Response (form EL-120) at the court and have a copy served on the petitioner. A letter, phone call, or court appearance will not protect you.

If you do not file your Response on time, the court may make orders affecting your marriage or domestic partnership, your property, and custody of your children. You may be ordered to pay support and attorney fees and costs.

For legal advice, contact a lawyer immediately. Get help finding a lawyer at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp), at the California Legal Services website (www. lawhelpca.org), or by contacting your local county bar association.

NOTICE — THE RESTRAINING ORDERS ON PAGE 2: These restraining orders are effective against both spouses or domestic partners until the petition is dismissed, a judgment is entered, or the court makes further orders. They are enforceable anywhere in California by any lawe necessary of them.

FEE WAIVER: If you, cannot pay the

anywhere in California by any law enforcement officer who has received or seen a copy of them.

FEE WAIVER: If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the clerk for a fee waiver form. The court may order you to pay back all or part of the fees and costs that the court waived for you or the other party. The name and address of the court is:

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY MONTEREY
1200 Aguajito Road
Monterey, CA 93940
The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner's attorney, or petitioner without an attorney, is:
RONALD D. LANCE
11 W. Laurel Dr., Ste 215
Salinas, CA 93906
(831) 443-6509
Lic: LDA #5 of Monterey County
SANDRA R. CHRISTIAN
PO, Box 3403
Salinas, CA 93912
794-7941

This summons was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 29: 2021

Publication Dates: Dec. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2021. (PC 1203)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20212578 The following person(s) is(are) doing

The following persons(s) is(are) doing business as:
Martha Marie Tonkin, 316 Mid Valley Center #184, Carmel, CA 93923, County of Monterey Registered Owner(s):
Martha Tonkin, 316 Mid Valley Center #184, Carmel, CA 93923
This business is conducted by an individual Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable
S/ Martha Tonkin
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 11/22/2021
12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 12/24/21
CNS-3531270#
CARMEL PINE CONE

CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: Dec. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2021. (PC 1204)

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20212586
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) islare) doing business as: PROMO JOE'S 831, 230 Littleness Ave., Monterey, CA 93940.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTFEPT.

Littleness Ave., Monterey, CA 93940.
County of Principal Place of Business:
MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
JOSEPH MICHAEL CUTRUFELL, 230
Littleness Ave., Monterey, CA 93940.
DEBORAH KAY CUTRUFELL, 230
Littleness Ave., Monterey, CA 93940.
This business is conducted by a married couple.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 24, 2021

Interlegistration commissions and process under the fictilious business name or names listed above on Nov. 24, 2021.

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

S/Joseph Michael Cutrutelli Date signed: Nov. 24, 2021.

This statement was filled with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 24, 2021.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 24, 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 Fictificous Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 1441) et seq., Business and Professions Code).

Publication Dates: Dec. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2021. (PC 1205)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20212525
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following \_person(s) | serior |
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The following person(s) is(are) doing
business as: PRESENTING YOU, 56B
5th Ave Lot 1 2806, Carmel-by-theSea, CA 93921.
Mailing address: P.O. Box 2806,
Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921.

County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
MONTEREY.
STEPHANIE RENAE CUMBERLAND, 56B
5th Ave Lot 1 2806, Carmel-by-the-Sea,
CA 93921.
This business:

STEPHANIE RENAE CUMBERLAND, 56B 5th Ave Lot 1 2806, Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921.

This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the ficilitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 20, 2020.

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

S/Stephanie Renae Cumberland Date signed: Nov. 15, 2021.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 15, 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 1441) et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20212616 Filing, type: ORIGINAL FILING, The following person(s) is (are business as: (are) doina

usiness as:
OVERHEAD DOOR OF SALINAS
OVERHEAD DOOR COMPANY OF
SALINAS SALINAS
733 Sanborn Place, Salinas, CA 93901.
Mailing address: 355 Goodpasture
Island Road, Eugene, OR 97401.
County of Principal Place of Business
Monterey Business:

County of Principal Place of Business:
Monterey.
Monterey.
Monterey.
Corporation or LLC as shown in
the Articles of Inc./Org. Reg.:
ENGINEERED PRODUCTS,
COMPANY, 355 Goodpasture Island
Road, Eugene, OR 97401
State of Inc./Org. Reg.: OR
This business is conducted by a
corporation.
The registrant commenced to transact

This business is conducted by a corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 11, 2021.

BY SIGNING I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IN 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). The material matter that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). The material material more than the comment of the control of th

6250-6277): S/Lance Jorgensen, CFO Date: Nov. 22, 2021 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 30,

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 30, 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 International Profits of this statement does not of tiself authority the use in this state of a Fictifican Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 1441) et seq., Business and Professions Code).

Publication dates: Dec. 10, 17, 24, 31, 2021. (PC1208)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20212613
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: MONTEREY BAY TAI CHI, 100 Harvest Street, Salinas, CA 93901.
Mailing address: 546 Regency Circle, Apt. #B, Salinas, CA 93906.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

County of MONTEREY Registered Owner(s): FRANCISCO SAMANIEGO, 546 Regency Circle, Apt. #B, Salinas, CA 93906.

93906.

JAMIE RICHARD HEIN 10490 Blevins Way, Castroville, CA 95012.

This business is conducted by an unincorporated association other than a partnership.

The registrant commenced to the second control of the second co

unincorporated association other than a partnership. 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 the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not lo exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/Francisco Samaniego Date signed: Nov. 30, 2021. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 30, 2021. NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision

Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 30, 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) 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 Fictifious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Publication Dates: Dec. 10, 17, 24, 31, 2021. (PC 1209)

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20212504
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: MARINA MEDICAL SUPPLIES, 266 Reservotion Rd., Suites K & L, Marina, CA 93933.
Mailing address: 240 crossroads Blvd., Carmel, CA 93923.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

Mailing address: 240
Blvd., Carmel, CA 93923.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
JONATHAN LEE, 25560 Morse Dr.,
Carmel, CA 93923.
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 12, 2021.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be folse is guilly of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one housand dollars (\$1,000).
S/Jonathan Lee
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 Fictilitious Business Name is violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: Dec. 10, 17, 24, 31, 2021. (PC 1210)

File No. 20212609 The following person(s) is(are) doing

business as: Alex Duke Trucking, 62920 Argyle Rd., King City, CA 93930, County of

Monterey Registered Owner(s): Alexander Varian Duke, 62920 Argyle Rd., King City, CA 93930 This business is conducted by an Indi-

nis substiess is colladered by all filling registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable S/ Alexander Varian Duke This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 11/30/2021 12/10, 12/17, 12/24, 12/31/21 CNS-3534025# CARMEL PINE CONE

Publication Dates: Dec. 10, 17, 24, 31, 2021. (PC 1211)

#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT File No. 20212610

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
Cedar and Stone Event Planning and Design, 967 Hilby Avenue #D, Seaside, CA 93955, County of Mon-

Registered Owner(s): Allas Hospitality LLC, 967 Hilby Avenue #D, Seaside, CA 93955; CA
This business is conducted by a limited

This business is conducted by a mined liability company Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictilious business name listed above on Not Applicable S/ Kristen San Paolo, Managing Mem-

ber This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 11/30/2021 12/10, 12/17, 12/24, 12/31/21 CNS-3533900# CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Detection 17, 24, 21

Publication Dates: Dec. 10, 17, 24, 31, 2021. (PC 1212)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20212613 The following person(s) is (are) doing

Ihe following person(s) is lare; doing business as:

1. Total Wine & More, 2. Total Wine Spirits Beer & More, 808 Playa Ave., Sand City, CA 93955
County of MONTEREY
Registrant(s):
California Fine Wine & Spirits, LLC, 5791 Five Star Drive, Roseville, CA 05678

95678
This business is conducted by a limited liability company
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
California Fine Wine & Spirits, LLC
S/Thomas Haubenstricker, Secretary &

S/ Ihomas Haubenstricker, Secretary & Treasurer of Manager,
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 11/30/2021.
12/10, 12/17, 12/24, 12/31/21
CNS-3529290#
CARMEL PINE CONE
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Publication Dates: Dec. 10, 17, 24, 31, 2021. (PC 1213)

### NOTICES **NOTICE OF PETITION** TO ADMINISTER ESTATE of DOROTHEA HAWKSLEY aka DOROTHEA KAMILLA

HAWKSLEY Case Number 21 PR000473

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

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by RICHARD H. EVANS in

been filed by RICHARD H. EVANS in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

of MONTEREY.

The Petition for Probate requests that HENRY H. DEARING 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.

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. 2, 2022

Date: Feb. 2, 2022 Time: 9:00 a.m. Dept.: 13

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 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** itornia Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

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

Attorney for Petitioner:
MICHELE L. ABERNATHY
Gifford, Dearing & Abernathy, LLP
515 South Figueroa Street, Suite

2060
Los Angeles, CA 90071
(213) 626-4481
This statement was filed by Superior
Court of California, County of Monterey on Oct. 21, 2021.
Publication dates: Dec. 10, 17, 24, 2021. (PC1214)

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20212645 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing

business as:

1. VETERINARY EYE CLINIC

2. VETERINARY EYE CLINIC MONTEREY

1. VETERINARY ETE CLINIC MONTEREY BAY
2. VETERINARY ETE CLINIC MONTEREY BAY
2. Harris Court, Suite A-1, Monterey, California 93940.
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey,
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc. /Org. /Reg.:
VECMB, INC, 1110 Mestres Drive, Pebble Beach, California 93953.
State of Inc. /Org. /Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a corporation.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business ame 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 talse is guilty of misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000), Tam 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/Elizabeth Curt Jones, President Date: Dec. 3, 2021 S/Elizabeth Curto Jones, President Date: Dec. 3, 2021

Date: Dec. 3, 2021
This statement was filed with the County
Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 3, 2021.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision
(a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name
Statement generally expires at the end of

filed in the office of except, as provided in Section 17920, where after any change in the

the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictifious 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 Fictifious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 1441) et seq., Business and Professions Code). Publication dates: Dec. 10, 17, 24, 31, 2021. (PC1215)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
OF BULK SALE
(UCC Sec. 6:105)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) to the seller(s) are: MONITEREY AUTO SUPPLY, INCORPORATIED, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, 2320 DEL MONTE AVENUE, MONTE-REY CA 93940 RATED, A CALIF 2320 DEL MO REY, CA 93940

Whose chief executive office is: 2320 DEL MONTE AVE., C MONTEREY, CA 93940 Doing Business as: NAPA AUTO PARTS MONTEREY (Type – AUTO PARTS AND SUPPLY STORE)

Doing Business as: NAPA AUTO PARTS-MONTEREY (Type – AUTO PARTS AND SUPPLY STORE)
All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the seller(s) within the past three years, as stated by the seller(s), is/are: NAPA AUTO PARTS
The name(s) and address of the buyer(s) is/are: GENUINE PARTS COMPANY, A GEORGIA CORPORATION, 5675 CLIN-TON AVENUE FRESNO, CA 93727
The assets to be sold are described in general as: ALL STOCK IN TRADE, FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND GOODWILL and are located at: 2320 DEL MONTE AVENUE, MONTEREY, CA 93940
The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: CAPITOL CITY ESCROW, INC., 3838 WATT AVENUE, SUITE F-610 SACRAMENTO, CA 95821-2665 and the anticipated sale date is DE-CEMBER 28, 2021 The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code section 6106.2.

If the sale is subject to Sec. 6106.2, the following information must be provided.] The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: CAPITOL CITY ESCROW, INC., 3838 WATT AVENUE, SUITE F-610, SACRAMENTO, CA 95821-2665 and the last date for filing claims by any creditor shall be DECEMBER 27, 2021, which is the business day before the sale date specified above.
Date: DECEMBER 2, 2021 The business day before the sale dates specified above.
Date: DECEMBER 2, 2021 GENUINE PARTS COMPANY, A GEORGIA CORPORATION, Buyer(s) 724100 CARMEL PINE CONE 12/10/21 Publication dates: Dec. 10, 17, 24, 2021. (PC1216)

# FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20212627 The following person(s) is(are) doing

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

Journeys #1153, 1558 Northridge Mall, Salinas, CA 93906-2022, County of Monterey

Mailing Address: 1415 Murfreesboro Rd Ste 240, Nashville, TN 37217-Nash Registered Owner(s):

Genesco Inc., 1415 Murfreesboro Rd Ste 240, Nashville, TN 37217-2829;

Tennessee Tennessee This business is conducted by a corpo-

Ints business is conducted by a corporation
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 12/8/2000
S/Matthew Johnson, VP
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 12/01/2021
12/17, 12/24, 12/31/21, 1/7/22
CNS-3534443#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: Dec. 17, 24, 2021;

Publication dates: Dec. 17, 24, 2021; Jan. 7, 2022. (PC 1217)

# (Domestic Violence Restraining Order) CASE NUMBER: 21 DV000454

(1) Person asking for protection: CYD GLOER
(2) Notice to: PATRICK DUMAN
(aka PATRICK DEAN DUMAN)
The person in (1) is asking for a Domestic

Violence Restraining Order against you. (3) You have a court date: Jan. 13, 2022 Name and address of court: MONTEREY COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT 1200 AGUAJITO ROAD

MONTERET, CA 39340
What if I don't go to my court date, the judge can grant a restraining order that limits your contact with the person in [1]. If you have a child with the person in [1], the court could make orders that limit your time with your child. Having a restraining order against you impact your life in other ways, including preventing you from havways, including preventing you from having guns and ammunition. If you do not go to your court date, the judge could grant everything that the person in (1) asked the

judge to order. How do I find out what the person in (1) is asking for?
To find out what the person in (1) is asking

lo tind out what the person in (1) is asking the judge to order, go to the courthouse listed on page 1. Ask the court clerk to let you see your case file. You will need to give the court clerk your case number, which is listed above and on page 1. The request for restraining order will be on form DV-100, Request for Domestic Violence Restraining Order.

Where can 1 get help?

Free legal information is available at your

Free legal information is available at your local court's self-help center. Go to www. courts.ca.gov/selfhelp to find your local Do I need a lawyer?

You are not required to have a lawyer, but you may want legal advice before your court hearing. For help finding a lawyer, you can visit www.lawhelpca.org or contact your local bar association.

This statement was filed with the Coun-

ty Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 2, 2021. Publication Dates: Dec. 17, 24, 31, 2021; Jan. 7, 2022. (PC1219)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20212601
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: HUNNIE 10, 555 Madison St., Apt. 7, Monterey, CA 93940.
County of Principal Place of Business:
MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s)

St., Apt. 7, Monterey, CA 93940.
County of Principal Place of Business:
MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
NINA MARIE SKIDMORE, 555 Madison
St., Apt. 7, Monterey, CA 93940.
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact
business under the fictitious business name
or names listed above on Nov. 18, 2021.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALI
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 guilly of a misdemeanor
punishable by a fine not to exceed one
thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/Nina Marie Skidmore
Date signed: Nov. 29, 2021
This statement was filed with the County
Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 29,
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 1791
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of the 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 1411) et seq.
Publication Dates: Dec. 17, 24, 31, 2021;
Jan. 7, 2022. (PC 1220)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) islare doing business as: UTILITY SERVICES, 25993
Colt Lane, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.
County of Principal Place of Business:
MONTEREY. County of MONTEREY

Colt Lane, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.
County of Principal Place of Business:
MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
GARY EDWARD WIEGAND, 25993 Colt
Lane, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictilitous business name or names listed above on March 1, 1999.
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).
S/Gary E. Wiegand
Date signed: Dec. 4, 2021
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 8, 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 1411) et seq., Business and Professions Code).

SUPERIOR COURT

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

Case No. 21 CV003545
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, MILICA SILLIMAN, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A.Present name: MILICA SILLIMAN

A Present name:
MILICA SILLIMAN
Proposed name:
MILICA SILLIMAN
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons
interested in this matter appear before this
court at the hearing indicated below to
show cause, if any, why the petition for
change of name should not be granted.
Any person objecting to the name change
se described above must file a written
objection that includes the reasons for the
objection that includes the reasons for the
objection to a least two court days before
the matter is scheduled to be heard and
must appear at the hearing to show cause
why the petition should not be granted. If
no written objection is timely filed, the court
may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING:
DATE-Jan 28, 2022
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
DEPT: 15
The address of the court is 1200
Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
A copy of this Order to Show Cause
shall be published at least once each week
for four successive weeks prior to the date
set for hearing on the petition in the fol-

for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the fol-lowing newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine lowing newspaper of ge printed in this county: 1 Cone, Carmel. (s) Thomas W. Wills Judge of the Superior Court Date filed: Dec. 14, 2021 Publication dates: Dec. 17, 24, 31, 2021; Jan. 7, 2022. (PC1222)

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#### **TRANSACTIONS** From page 12RE

#### Monterey (con't.)

Eric Roggiero to Dinah Hubert APN: 014-081-002

#### 283 Watson Street - \$1,290,000

Girolamo and Francine Flores to JFLO Investments LLC APN: 001-381-032

#### 570 Lighthouse Avenue — \$1,400,000

Kay Lu LLC to Diana Kuwabara APN: 001-062-016

#### 928 Hellam Street - \$1,650,000

Patrick Sheridan and Julie Weave to James and Susan

APN: 001-352-033

#### 423 Alvarado Street - \$2,255,000

Abinante Properties LLC to Sim and Ashley Lou and Manhao Chhor APN: 001-573-005

#### Surf Way - \$3,250,000

Richard and Janet Holloway to Michael and Lyn O'Connell APN: 011-441-046

#### **Pacific Grove**

#### 1210 Miles Avenue — \$755,000

Linda Wheeler to Michelle Ryan APN: 007-574-016

#### 1016 Austin Avenue - \$880,000

Daniel and James Day and Julianne Rotter to Robert and Tanya Duarte APN: 007-601-027

#### 516 12th Street - \$950,000

Marc and Mary Saunders to David and Lena Bundtzen APN: 006-485-006

#### 1218 Funston Avenue — \$1,150,000

Gohaiwan LLC to Rohit Bhat and Tanvi Joshi APN: 007-563-026

#### 218 Park Street - \$1,165,000

Curtis Pond and Deborah Chestnut to Carol Russell APN: 006-304-002

#### 1146 Crest Avenue - \$2.825.000

Frank Boren to Rufus Bates APN: 006-054-023

#### **Pebble Beach**

#### 4059 Crest Road - \$1,300,000

Sydney Erickson to Shahram Mostafazadeh and Seyedeh Mardani APN: 008-091-030

#### 1584 Griffin Road — \$8,225,000

Lynn Radkowski and Whiskey Hill Trust to Andrew and Laura Zavodney APN: 008-171-039

#### Seaside

#### 1832 Baker Street — \$575,000

Tara Casas to Rachel Bedford APN: 012-823-006

#### 1241 Harding Street — \$610,000

Thomas Norwood to Andrea Limon APN: 012-337-015

#### 1221 Noche Buena Street - \$675,000

Anne Arnke to Maria Chen APN: 012-343-011

#### 1512 Wanda Avenue - \$725,000

Barbara Diedwardo to Christina Zubach APN: 012-322-023

#### 1289 Darwin Street - \$726,500

Jane Stave to Maria Lathrop APN: 012-291-010



1584 Griffin Road, Pebble Beach — \$8,225,000

#### 1642 Goodwin Street - \$744,500

James Coulter to Rebecca Guzman APN: 012-163-037

#### 1018 Waring Street - \$875,000

Karen Casey to Timothy White APN: 012-432-010

#### McClure Way - \$3,500,000

SRD H LLC to Seaside Peninsula Acquisition Group APN: 031-051-051

#### McClure Way - \$8,415,000

Seaside Hotel Investors to Seaside Peninsula Acquisition Group APN: 031-051-030

#### McClure Way - \$13,300,000

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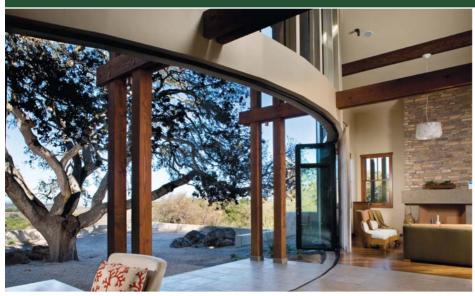
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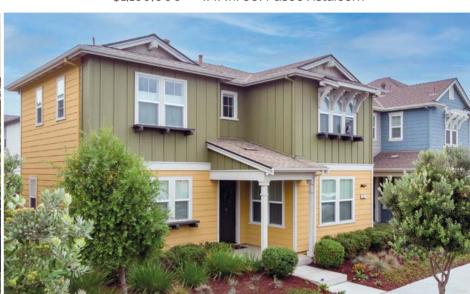
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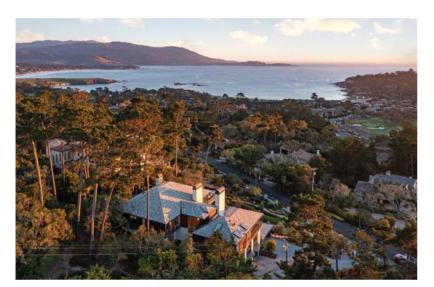




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