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District, parents battle over child's schooling

■ Should he attend a special school, or get special help in a regular one?

By MARY SCHLEY

A SERIOUSLY disabled 6-year-old Carmel Valley boy is at the center of a legal fight between his parents



PHOTO/KATRINA HODGES

Six-year-old David Hodges is the focus of legal battles between his parents and the Carmel Unified School District over whether to provide services for him in regular classes or place him in a special education program.

and the Carmel Unified School District, which has sued the family over the issue of where he will be best served.

David Hodges' parents want him in a regular class at Tularcitos Elementary School for most of the day, accompanied part of the time by a specialist, while the district wants him to attend the Monterey County Office of Education's special education program in Salinas.

Ashley and Katrina Hodges moved to Carmel Valley from the Santa Cruz area a little more than a year ago and have four kids in the Carmel school district, including David, who, according to legal documents, has numerous medical conditions that render him legally blind and non-verbal.

He depends on a wheelchair for mobility, has little to no control over his arms and legs, and "requires adult assistance in all aspects of his day, including feeding, toileting, positioning, and navigating his classroom and campus."

Those issues, including David's need for frequent rest during school days, didn't keep his former school district in San Lorenzo Valley from developing a plan that had him sharing space with schoolmates for much of each day, and that's what his parents expected Carmel Unified to provide when the family moved to the area in April 2022.

Ask a judge

But district officials concluded, after having the child enrolled at Carmelo preschool for a few weeks, that he would be best served by the Monterey County Office of

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Federal law requires a 'free, appropriate public education'

Supes agree on new permit rules for STRs

■ Rentals in C.V., Carmel area will need planning commission approval

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE MONTEREY County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0 Tuesday to require the county planning commission to review all short-term rental applications in Carmel Valley, Corral de Tierra and unincorporated parts of Carmel.

The vote comes a month after supervisors were unable to agree on a countywide moratorium on new short-term rental permits until the county completes a set of ordinances to regulate the industry.

According to a county report to the board of supervisors this week, the "transient use" of residential homes "is a significant public policy issue" that "warrants referral of applications for permits" to the planning commission.

Pushed hard

In March, Supervisor Mary Adams pushed hard for a countywide moratorium on short-term rentals, but the vote required the support of at least four supervisors, and Luis Alejo and Chris Lopez signaled their opposition to it, in large part because they didn't want the moratorium hurting

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P.G. housing expert went unpaid for eight months, message shows

By KELLY NIX

THE CONSULTANT who was working on an important housing plan for Pacific Grove before he was suddenly fired in early March said the city was often unresponsive to requests for basic information and failed to pay him for about eight months, according to a message he sent to officials after his termination.

On March 3, city attorney Greg Rubens, at the behest of city manager Ben Harvey, informed David Driskell of Baird + Driskell that the city was terminating its services with the Berkeley-based firm it hired to work on its "housing element," which is supposed to outline the types of new housing needed for the city and where it should be built.

The consultant's firing, which occurred not long before the plan was supposed to be finished, surprised members of the city's planning commission and citizens, several of

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DEM BIGWIGS URGE LOCAL PARTY TO RESTORE ORDER

By KELLY NIX

U.S. REP. Jimmy Panetta and four other elected officials are calling for members of the Monterey County Democratic Central Committee to "work together" after recent infighting has rocked the group.

In an April 11 letter to central committee Chair Karen Araujo and its executive board members, Panetta, Rep. Zoe Lofgren, former Rep. Sam Farr and state senators Anna Caballero and John Laird urged "everyone to work together" to achieve the party's goals.

"The last few weeks have seen heated discussions about the leadership of the Monterey County Democratic Central Committee," the politicians wrote. "We hope that committee members can work together to find a path forward. This letter is not about taking a position in that debate."

The message comes after a March 28 meeting in which former committee chair Vinz Koller outlined numerous

reasons Araujo should be removed from her position, including her alleged lack of fundraising for the group, poor banking and accounting practices, delays in releasing voter guides and candidate endorsements, and arbitrary removals of committee members.

Koller also accused Araujo of causing "division and disharmony" within the group.

'Don't lose sight'

Panetta and the officials referenced many of Koller's concerns and urged the group to address the issues, adding it was their hope that "everyone on the Monterey County Democratic Central Committee will not lose sight of its importance as the local organizing arm for our party's electoral work."

They cited women's rights to abortion, effects of climate change on local farms and neighborhoods, what they

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Couple responds to homeless man's plea: 'What I need is a shower.'

By ELAINE HESSER

NICK TORTORELLI says it took three signs to get him and his wife, Sara, on the road to providing mobile showers for homeless people through a newly formed non-profit, Refresh Start.

Nick, a realtor, was in Salinas a few weeks before Christmas 2019, selling a property on Market Street when he inadvertently drove into a neighborhood along the railroad tracks, parts of which are infamously run-down and have become home to hundreds of people living in tents. It was cold, and Tortorelli started thinking about how hard it must be to live outdoors.

Giving out blankets

"I got on Amazon and bought 300 of those emergency blankets — you know, the ones that look like foil," he said. A longtime member of Carmel's Church of the Wayfarer, Tortorelli and the church's then-pastor, Luke Hamm, went

to the tent neighborhood to distribute them.

"One guy came up and said, 'What I really need is a shower,'" Tortorelli remembered. That was his first sign. The second came when he and Hamm took the leftover blankets to Pastor Steve Lundin at First United Methodist Church of Salinas, which provides services to dozens of homeless people each day, including six meals a week.

Tortorelli said that when Hamm asked what other needs the church had, Lundin replied that some of the people who visited for meals could only get access to showers once a month, if that. He wished there was a way to help with that. The conversation moved on to other topics, and Tortorelli went back to work.

Sign No. 3 made it personal, he said, when he and Sara went camping for a week. They hadn't been able to shower during their trip and were excited to get to a campground where they could finally get clean. When they got there,

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PHOTO/COURTESY REFRESH START

Refresh Start's mobile unit at First United Methodist Church of Salinas, where volunteers coordinate showers for the homeless.

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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Not large but in charge

Born at a Jack Russell breeder in Italy, Bia was destined to breed or become best in show until a tooth came in crooked. The breeder brought her to America, and Peace of Mind Dog Rescue of Pacific Grove intervened and helped find her forever family in Pebble Beach.

Charlie, also a Jack Russell, was born a year later to a family in San Juan Bautista, from whom his people adopted him as a baby and brought him home to grow up with Bia.

"Bia, now 4, is our little 'Snaggletooth.' She's just so sweet and cute," her person said. "Charlie, 3, is the smartest dog ever, which makes him a brat. He's the Alpha, and he beats up on his sister."

What attracts their person most to Jack Russells is that, with their endless energy, curiosity, and verve, they are so much like her. They're busy, they're bright, and they're working dogs, constantly learning, doing, playing.

Charlie and Bia go to the beach every day, their person said. Bia loves the water and heads right in, while Charlie just teases, running toward waves as they recedes, and back from them as they rush in. But at home, Charlie is in charge of the yard, barking at any-



thing in flight, be it a bird, a dragonfly, a bee.

"Charlie is so entertaining. He's funny and loving and in control, like me," said his person. "I'd love it if he were a little purse puppy, but he's just not. I could never bear the thought of living without a dog. They rule our lives. We sleep in their bed and we live in their house."

Charlie and Bia's people were hiking in New Zealand and came across a pair of Jack Russells who looked nearly identical to theirs — minus the snaggletooth. They felt both homesick and at home.

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More than \$2 million to restore marsh habitat in Elkhorn Slough

By KELLY NIX

will employ a unique restoration approach for each species,” the group explained.

Oysters, too

The restoration project seeks to return salt marsh habitat, much of which has been lost because of diking tidal waters, which led soils to dry out and sink too low for marsh growth after the dikes were breached.

“We are building this marsh high enough to last in the face of rising seas,

MORE THAN 90 percent of the state’s wetlands have disappeared over the last 100 years, according to state officials, but a Monterey County estuary rich in wildlife is being restored, thanks to more than \$2 million in taxpayer funds.

On April 21, the Elkhorn Slough Foundation announced that NOAA approved \$2.2 million in funds to pay for a “far-reaching restoration initiative at Elkhorn Slough.”

“The funding will bring back species across an entire coastal landscape, from coastal grasslands to tidal salt marsh, eelgrass beds to native oysters,” the foundation said.

The restoration will be specific to what’s called the Elkhorn Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve, which is owned and managed by the state Department of Fish and Wildlife in partnership with the foundation and NOAA.

The marshes in the slough play a key part in an ecosystem, which is home to 340 bird, 550 marine invertebrate, and 102 fish species. However, over the last 100 years, the estuary, according to the foundation, has been “highly altered,” with loss of habitat due to diking and pollution.

Species such as pickleweed, eelgrass, and oysters play important roles in supporting fish, birds and sea otters, as well as in taking up carbon dioxide and pollutants.

“Bringing back these species is critical because they each form the foundation of a distinctive coastal habitat, and this effort



PHOTO/ELKHORN SLOUGH FOUNDATION

This aerial photo shows Elkhorn Slough, which, thanks to more than \$2 million, will get some much-needed restoration.

long after most other marshes in the estuary have drowned,” said the reserve’s tidal wetland program director Monique Fountain, who leading the restoration project as part of a larger marsh restoration initiative.

Coastal prairie and eelgrass will also be restored. And because oysters in Elkhorn Slough have had “no successful reproduction in the wild since 2012,” scientists will

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Police & Sheriff's Log

Drunk man resists being helped

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.

SUNDAY, APRIL 9

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Theft from a vehicle on Scenic south of Martin.

Pebble Beach: Customs Road resident reported internet fraud involving Taylor Swift concert tickets. Person was fraudulently advertising tickets and stopped communicating once payment was made.

Pebble Beach: A theft on Cypress Drive was reported and documented.

Carmel Valley: Damaged firearms from a Del Fino Place residence were turned in for destruction.

Pebble Beach: Subject on Trappers Trail reported receiving a message from an ex-employee demanding money through social media.

TUESDAY, APRIL 11

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject located a yellow metal Our Lady of Guadalupe neck-

lace on the beach at end of Ocean.

Carmel area: Deputies responded to the Crossroads shopping center for a disturbance.

Carmel area: A female shoplifted from a business at the Crossroads.

Big Sur: Deputies responded to a location on Highway 1 after report of a disturbance.

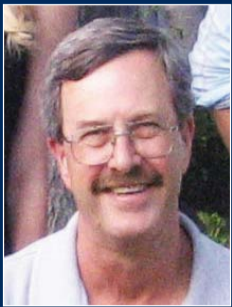
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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female reported her son was causing a peace disturbance in their home at Torres and Ocean at 0542 hours. Upon contacting the son, it was determined an argument between him and his mother occurred. Mother alleged son threw a plate at her and pushed her to the ground. Son denied it happened. Mother did not want to press charges. Son was told to leave the house and went to CHOMP.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lost black leather purse reported in Mission Fields.

Pacific Grove: Ammunition surrendered by a Bayview Avenue resident for destruction.

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The gavel falls

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



March 29 — A jury found Castroville resident Christopher Smith, 40, guilty of possession for sales of methamphetamine. The jury also found that Smith possessed over a kilogram by weight of methamphetamine. The Hon. Judge Jared A. Jefferson presided over the three-day trial.

On Aug. 16, 2022, Detective Michael Vowinkel and Detective Matthew Costa from the Monterey County Sheriff's Office executed a search warrant at Smith's residence. Vowinkel deployed his K9, Olive, to assist in locating contraband within the residence. Costa located a shoebox on top of Smith's dresser and discovered approximately 1.215 kilograms of suspected methamphetamine in the shoebox. Other items discovered in Smith's residence showing sales of the drugs were a scale, a Polymer80 P80 jig used for manufacturing firearms, and a gun holster. Detective Costa collected the contraband for further testing. A download of Smith's cell phone showed further evidence of drug sales, including active drug transactions and communications with his drug runners.

Jefferson will sentence Smith on April 26, 2023. He faces up to six years in the Monterey County jail and a fine.

March 29 — The Hon. Stephanie Hulsey sentenced Angel De Jesus Carmona, 31 and a resident of Salinas, to 50 years in prison for committing five counts

of a forcible lewd act upon a child under 14 years old. All the offenses are violent felonies and considered "strikes" under California's three strikes law. Carmona will also be required to register as a sex offender for the rest of his life.

The defendant repeatedly sexually assaulted Jane Doe, a female household member, over the course of several years. In May of 2022, Doe found the courage tell her mother about the sexual abuse that had been going on since she was 9 years old. Doe's mother believed her daughter confronted the defendant, and recorded him admitting what he did to Doe. This recording became important evidence for the prosecution of this case.

As part of his plea, the defendant also admitted that he took advantage of a position of trust to commit these crimes. Not only was Doe violated, but her entire family was betrayed by the defendant's actions and violation of their trust. Hulsey commended Doe for having the courage to disclose what happened to her and noted that "she is going to survive, and she is going to have a bright future."

This case was investigated by Salinas police officer Byron Gansen and D.A. investigators Terri Edwards and Pablo Andrade. Doe and her mother were assisted by victim advocate Estella Sanchez as well as victim services dog Norma Jeane.

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Child molest suit resolved against estate of youth baseball coach

By KELLY NIX

A MAN who filed a lawsuit against the estate of a little league coach claiming the man sexually molested him when he was a teenager has settled the complaint out of court, according to court records.

The unidentified Maryland man, who was 30 when he filed the suit, made the claim against the estate of David Stamm in October 2022 alleging Stamm assaulted him when he was 14 years old. Stamm, of Pacific Grove, had been charged in 2021 with lewd acts on two boys, 12 and 13, in 2005 and 1998 through 1999. While charges were pending, Stamm, 59, killed himself.

Family vacation

The man's lawsuit sought an unspecified amount of money exceeding \$25,000. Court documents, however, indicate that the matter had been resolved with Stamm's estate.

"The parties have reached a settlement in this matter," according to a minute order following a March 28 hearing before Monterey County Superior Court Judge Thomas Wills.

The terms of the settlement were not included in the court documents, and such out-of-court resolutions are usually kept secret. Attorneys for both parties filed to dismiss the lawsuit on April 12.

The victim — who used John Doe as an alias — alleged in his lawsuit that he met

Stamm during a family vacation in 2003 when he was 11 years old, and that once he returned home, he and Stamm continued to correspond.

"The conversations quickly became sexual in nature," according to his lawsuit. Stamm and the boy had frequent, sexually explicit conversations, and Stamm would send him pornographic content, which "often depicted subjects who appeared to be young children themselves, according to the man's suit.

In 2005, when the boy was 14, he and his family moved to California, and during that summer, he claimed to have "suffered a number of sexual batteries at the hands of David Russell Stamm," which he said left him with "lasting emotional distress."

A separate dispute over Stamm's estate was also resolved. The estate included a Pacific Grove house worth more than \$900,000.

Stamm had been charged with molesting a third boy in 2000, but a 2008 trial resulted in a mistrial when the jury couldn't reach a unanimous verdict. He faced a second trial in 2009, but it also resulted in a deadlocked jury.

Peter Anthony Piñon, who said he was the first of Stamm's victims to report him, but who was not the plaintiff in the recent lawsuit, told The Pine Cone that while he's disappointed he never had a chance to tell Stamm how his life was affected by the abuse, he's "at ease knowing" the other "survivors can now move forward."

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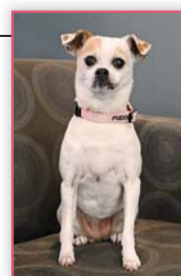


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CITY JOINS 21ST CENTURY, TAKES ONLINE PAYMENTS FOR PERMITS, FEES

By MARY SCHLEY

RESIDENTS APPLYING for permits to remodel their houses, install water heaters, cut down trees or undertake any of the other practically innumerable projects or changes that require a permit can now pay their fees online by credit or debit card, the city council decided earlier this month, and the system went online April 10.

Prior to that decision, residents and business owners applying for permits had to take a check to city hall or call in with a credit card number that would be entered by hand at the end of the day, planning director Brandon Swanson told the council April 4. Not only is entering payments manually labor intensive, he noted, but the setup meant people could only pay during business hours.

While much of humanity has long enjoyed the convenience of paying online for everything from property taxes and DMV registration renewals to gifts, clothing, necessities and groceries, the shift at the city was prompted by a state code that was just revised to eliminate a provision that only checks could be accepted for certain permits.

Code compliance

“Every three years, the state adopts new building model codes to establish uniform standards for construction and maintenance,” Swanson said, with the most recent changes affecting all new permit applications as of Jan. 1. The California Administrative Code “was amended to remove the check-only payment method” so it would not conflict with other parts of the code.

To comply, Swanson said, the planning

and building department must begin accepting online payments by credit or debit card and pass on the 3.5 percent service charge for processing them to the public. He needed the city council’s approval to impose the charge, since the fee schedule for this budget year only allows the city to charge 2.5 percent on payments made with plastic.

Councilwoman Karen Ferlito asked if Swanson had researched the ability to pay by electronic check, with the money drawn directly from the applicant’s bank account, an option offered by other government agencies that generally costs much less.

Mayor Dave Potter agreed that 3.5 percent can add up to a lot when permit fees are high, and city administrator Chip Rerig said he would look into it.

Ferlito added that she

was supportive, either way. “Let’s make it as easy as possible,” she said. “We don’t need people running all over town in their car to run over here to write a check.”

The council unanimously approved the change, and Swanson announced a few days later that “this exciting news means that you will no longer need to come into city hall to pay” for planning, building, encroachment or tree permits.

“Not only does this mean the entire permit process can be done online, saving you a trip to city hall, but it also means you can complete your transaction anytime you want, rather than only during business hours,” he said.

Other than the new “submit payment” button on the screen, Swanson added, nothing else about the online permit system has changed.

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‘Yes for Carmel’ is no more

By MARY SCHLEY

THREE DECADES after a group of residents came together to rally for a political measure and morphed into a social club after the election, the organization is disbanding due to lack of interest and support, longtime Yes for Carmel board member Merv Sutton said this week.

“Quite a few” factors played into the board’s decision to dissolve the group, which has staged events for its members and guests — including an annual Christmas party at the Cypress Inn — and supported local charities and groups with small grants and gifts for nearly 30 years.

“One was the lack of support,” he said. “When we started, we had 300 members, and now we have 170.”

Holding parties has become more difficult as venues have increased their site fees and other charges, according to Sutton.

“That’s been a problem,” he said.

End of an era

And, in spite of repeated efforts to encourage more members to join the Yes board, no one has stepped up to replace those who have resigned or passed away.

“We’re down to five, and it’s just too much work,” he said.

With its decision, the board voted to spend the money left in its bank account on a party for any members who wanted to celebrate the end of the era. Since it’s a free dinner at a highly regarded downtown restaurant, Sutton figured the event would fill up quickly — but people didn’t even rush to take part in that.

“We only got 58, and we thought we’d top out at 80,” he said, so they decided to add some friends to the mix to justify buying out the restaurant for the night.

“As a board, we were just going to divide the money between our favorite charities, but then we decided just to spend it on the members,”

he said, and the lackluster response is further evidence the time is right to close the books on Yes for Carmel, he said.

“It’s been a lot of fun, and we’ve done a lot of nice things,” he said, especially thanks to late Carmel resident Erl Lagerholm, who left his fortune to numerous local groups when he died, including Yes for Carmel, which received \$25,000.

There have been a lot of fun things, and we’ve done well, but I think it’s just time,” Sutton said. “It’s kind of bittersweet.”

A shortage of members — not to mention people to serve on the board

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P.G. EXTENDS GRANTS FOR SHOPS THAT ‘SERVE WOMEN AND MINORITIES’

By KELLY NIX

THE CITY of Pacific Grove has reopened a grant application process because it ran afoul of the state’s civil rights law.

Last year, P.G. decided to start making awards of up to \$10,000 as part of its Minority and Women-owned Business Grants program. An economic development commission subcommittee recently selected two female business owners as winners before city officials realized the grants violated California’s civil rights initiative, which bans public entities from favoring people based on race, color, ethnicity or sex.

The goof led the city’s economic commission at its April 13 meeting to nullify

the earlier awards and, at the behest of city attorney Greg Rubens, reopen the application process to any P.G. business license holder — regardless of race or sex — who operates a business that “serves/benefits women and minorities within the community.”

Because every business in Pacific Grove presumably serves women and minorities, along with men and non-minorities, it’s not clear which criteria the commission will use in deciding whether a business fulfills those objectives better than another business.

Nevertheless, the program — now dubbed the “Business serving Women and Minority Grant” — asks business owners to “describe how your business serves or benefits women or minorities.”

It’s also not clear how business owners will explain that. At the meeting, city manager Ben Harvey used an example of a fictional shoe store in town. “I sell women’s shoes and agricultural boots,” Harvey said. “I do that because I’m trying to impact the women in the community. I’m also trying to impact agricultural workers because they tend to primarily be Latino in this area.”

Second chance

The initial recipients — the owners of Lucy’s on Lighthouse and M8 Wellness — will not have to reapply, and it’s possible the two women could be selected for the grants the second time around.

The application process opened April 25 and will end May 25 at 5 p.m. The

subcommittee will review the new applications and the applications from the two women who won the first time around but never got the money because of the mistake.

The new form also asks owners when their business opened, if it generates less than \$1 million in revenue net of sales tax, and whether it’s a for-profit enterprise, among other questions.

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Her name was “Maggie” which because Cavalier King Charles Spaniels are an English breed, we always attributed to her being named for Margaret “Maggie” Thatcher, the British Prime Minister from 1979 to 1990.

Maggie had freckles on her nose and beautiful Blenheim coloring, which she remarkably maintained through to the end of her 16-and-a-half-year life.

Maggie was well-known in Carmel-by-the-Sea as she frequented the dog-friendly restaurants (including Porta Bella, the Cypress Inn and the Lodge at Pebble Beach) and had many evening walks with her Dad, Don, around Carmel Plaza. She attended outdoor gatherings, meetings and other events, many with the Carmel Bach Festival on the Terrace at Sunset Center. She went to Dad’s office with him every day and then was always happy to return home to Harmony House and take an afternoon walk on Dolores Street and then a nap.

She was the absolute priority in her Mom and Dad’s lives — scheduling all activities around her well-being, feeding and comfort. She loved her Friday nights at Patisserie Boissiere while her parents dined there, and in her earlier years, her trips to Yountville and then regular trips to the Dolphin Bay Resort, just north of Pismo Beach. She loved her first friend, Lexie “Harrington” and, after Lexie passed on, then her new, and current boyfriend, Posha Harrington, as well as his Dad and Mom, who doted over Maggie, too.

She and Posha enjoyed their weekly Wednesday or Thursday afternoon outings at the Crossroads with their Dads, as those who passed by would marvel and admire the two pups. She was always somewhat shy, not ever asking for attention, but jealous when Posha got noticed first. The two dogs were quite a pair!

Maggie’s 15th birthday was celebrated at Ciopinot Restaurant in San Luis Obispo, with friends who came from Texas, New York, Beverly Hills, Los Angeles and Carmel to celebrate. It was a great coincidence that Maggie’s birthday was October 23rd and her Dad’s October 24th and Mom’s October 25th, so it was always a big celebration. Her very-special 16th birthday party was held at Patisserie Boissiere with Lydia Lyons singing “Sixteen Candles” to Maggie and a table of friends.

Maggie is missed by her parents, Carol & Don, her “aunt” Karen, her “aunt” Marcia and “uncle” Glenn, and many dear friends from Texas and New York and many neighbors and others in and around Carmel who would see her walking many times a day on Dolores Street. She was a wonderful “Princess” who brought joy to us all. Rest in peace, sweet and wonderful girl.

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Supervisors in favor of ‘dark skies’

By CHRIS COUNTS

A GLOBAL campaign to reduce light pollution at night, the dark sky movement is picking up steam in Monterey County — as evidenced by a proclamation the county’s board of supervisors made last week declaring it “International Dark Sky Week.”

While nighttime lighting is an essential component of modern living, advocates of darker skies say they’re not just making it easier to enjoy the stars, but also to help people sleep better and be healthier.

According to the supervisors’ proclamation, Monterey county “is blessed with many excellent areas of dark sky at night where residents and visitors can enjoy viewing stars, planets, and the Milky Way.” It also recognizes that “maintaining dark skies has been shown to be beneficial to humans and animals.”

At the April 18 supervisors meeting, 5th District Supervisor Mary Adams

brought up the subject and introduced John Heyl, who has helped lead local efforts to raise awareness about light pollution.

“This is one of those issues that’s hard not to be behind,” said Heyl, who is also a board member for the Carmel Valley Association. “It’s as simple as turning off your light switch, and looking up and seeing the stars. In many areas of the country, you can

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Novel holiday will be observed this weekend

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THERE ARE made-up holidays for everything. Why, this coming week alone, there are days dedicated to the Pony Express, rats, flash drives and new beers. But sometimes, one of those holidays speaks directly to the soul.

Do you prefer reading materials that don't shut down during a power outage? Does the smell of a bookstore make you slightly giddy? Is the sight of a smiley face on the side of another cardboard box from a faraway, faceless outlet grating on your buy-local sensibilities? Well, April 29 is Independent Bookstore Day. In fact, it's the 10th edition of the event sponsored by the American Booksellers Association.

River House Books in the Crossroads shopping center is partying from noon to 4 p.m. with "music, prizes,

treats, great book sales and fun for all," said bookstore manager Debra BatesGavlak in an email. You might also venture out to Carmel Valley, because Kesley Boyte, the new owner of Olivia & Daisy at 13766 Center Street, is looking forward to meeting readers and showing off her recently revamped shop.

Still plenty

Of course, downtown you'll find Pilgrim's Way (Dolores between Fifth and Sixth), where, co-owner Cynthia Fernandes said, "We celebrate Independent Bookstore Day every day." She invites everyone to celebrate "the revival of real bookstores giving real recommendations from real people!"

But be honest — you didn't really need an excuse to go book shopping, did you?

Fifth Avenue gets another fix

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

A STREET that's been ripped up more than once during various construction projects was under the jackhammer again last week, when public works crews tore out a section of hazardous sidewalk and curb that had been pushed up by the roots of a large cypress tree. Workers removed and reconstructed the damaged concrete curb, which doesn't have the river-rock facing that many curbs in downtown do, and reset the pavers.

"After many weeks of cleaning up tree debris, our hardworking street crews were excited to be doing something different — street work," public works director Bob Harary observed.



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Heavy equipment was called in to help make repairs to a damaged sidewalk on Fifth Avenue.



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Hikers, lace up your shoes — Big Sur’s most popular trail reopens

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE BUSIEST hiking trail in Big Sur, the Pine Ridge Trail, has reopened, giving locals and visitors somewhere else to recreate down the coast.

Hiking options had been severely limited in recent months due to storm damage along Highway 1, which has curtailed access to many trailheads.

Los Padres National Forest officials recently announced the reopening of the trail, which travels 23 miles over steep and spectacular terrain from China Camp along Tassajara Road, to Pfeiffer Big Sur park.

In early April, a contract trail crew funded by the U.S. Forest Service teamed up with volunteers from the Ventana Wilderness Alliance to repair sections of the trail that were in poor shape or blocked by fallen trees. “The intrepid crew was supported by packers who used their team of horses and mules to convey kitchen gear, food and tools to Terrace Creek Camp and

backhauled it up to the Coast Ridge at the end of the hitch,” reported the VWA, which plays a key role in keeping trails open on local federal land.

Was impassable

According to Mike Chamberlain, executive director of the VWA and a Carmel Valley resident, the recent week long effort included repairing and improving 1.2 miles of the Pine Ridge Trail, reconstructing a 50-yard section of the path that was impassable, and removing brush along a spur trail that leads to a popular summertime destination, Ventana Camp.

Chamberlain told The Pine Cone he’s thrilled to see the trail reopened. “We’re incredibly proud of the work our volunteers and hired staff did get this trail open,” he said.

The recent clearance of a slide on state park property near the west end of the trail also made the reopening of the path possible.

Remembering Mom with a card or two

NO MOTHER-CHILD relationship is perfect, but most folks owe the woman who brought them into the world and stuck by them until they launched at 18 or 21, at least a Mother’s Day card and a healthy helping of gratitude.

Some moms, though, don’t get to spend the second Sunday in May with family. Those whose worlds have shrunk to the walls and grounds of a nursing home can find the day disheartening, particularly if everyone around them is getting cards, flowers and visits.

That’s where the Alliance on Aging’s 30-year-old “I Remember Mama” program comes in. Each year, the Salinas-based organization collects homemade Mother’s

Day cards from donors and distributes them in person at nursing facilities throughout Monterey County.

“These cards bring smiles and tears of joy and remind these special women that they have not been forgotten,” said Nicki Pasculli, the agency’s marketing manager. Cards can be of any size, and while the Alliance prefers they be in an envelope, it’s not a requirement.

Sounds like a great weekend project for some creative adults — or kids. To donate cards, mail or drop them off to Alliance on Aging at 236 Monterey St., Salinas, CA, 93901.

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SPCA: HOW TO HELP BABY OPOSSUMS

By KELLY NIX

IT'S AWFUL hard being a baby opossum, but SPCA Monterey County is doing all it can to make life easier for the little marsupials.

The nonprofit organization is caring for 20 opossum babies it rescued recently, including many that were found orphaned in people's backyards.

"Some were rescued after their mother was attacked by dogs or cats," SPCA Monterey County spokeswoman Beth Brookhouser said.

"One was found with a rodent trap stuck to its hand and will likely require one finger to be amputated," she added.

Female opossums every spring hold babies in their pouches until they grow strong and healthy. But sadly, some mother

opossums — which are slow-moving animals — are hit by cars or attacked by dogs as they forage for food, and their babies cannot survive without being rescued by humans.

"Tragically, many more slowly starve or freeze to death in their mother's pouch after they're hit by cars," Brookhouser said.

'Anatomy apparent'

However, the SPCA urges people to help the little animals.

"If you hit an opossum with your car, or see one lying on the side of the road, and if it is safe to stop, please check on the opossum," the organization said, including some tips.

If the animal is alive but injured, the SPCA asks that people you call the organization at (831) 264-5427 or visit spcamc.org/wildlife. If it appears "recently deceased, and you are in a location safe from other vehicles, "please check to see if the opossum is male or female," Brookhouser said.

The animals' anatomy is "easy to see," she said.

"If the opossum is female, use gloves and a towel, rag, or washcloth to gently open the pouch and check for babies," Brookhouser explained. "They can be as small as honeybees, but they will be pink and squirming. If you find babies, please call us for help. Please don't attempt to remove the babies yourself, as you could seriously injure their tiny mouths. Be sure to always wash your hands afterwards."

Last year, the SPCA cared for 40 opossum babies after their mothers were hit by cars, and an additional 90 babies who needed rescuing because of other accidents.



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These opossum babies are snuggling at SPCA headquarters after being rescued by staff with the nonprofit.

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LIGHT

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see the Milky Way at night. Preserving that seems to us to be a worthwhile activity.”

The proclamation observes that the county adopted construction exterior lighting design guidelines in 2016 that are consistent with the principles adopted by the International Dark Sky Association, which is leading the global campaign against light pollution.

Bank nixes ‘glare bomb’

Joining Heyl in his efforts to educate people about light pollution, Meredith Nole is a lighting expert who has worked with locals to make their lighting less obtrusive. She complimented Chase Bank in the Crossroads shopping center as an example of a local business taking light pollution seriously. Previously, the bank’s security lights were creating what Nole described as a “glare bomb.”

“Folks living in the area were having glare all over the place every night,” Nole reported. “Chase Bank did the right thing and changed their light fixtures to eliminate the glare.”

To raise local awareness of light pollution, Nole said she and others held two workshops on the topic recently at the Carmel Valley Library.

According to the Tucson-based International Dark Sky Association, which was founded in 1988 by a pair of astronomers, “research suggests that artificial light at night can negatively affect human health, increasing risks for obesity, depression, sleep disorders, diabetes, breast cancer and more.”

The group also suggested that an appreciation of the nighttime sky feeds one’s soul.

“Experiencing the night sky provides

perspective, inspiration, and leads us to reflect on our humanity and place in the universe,” its website reads.

The group works to encourage less light pollution by certifying that specific “places, communities, parks, sanctuaries and reserves” have been protected through “responsible lighting policies and public education.”

Twelve national parks — including Joshua Tree and Death Valley — have been certified by the group. Last year, National Geographic did an extensive article on the rise of “dark sky tourism” at national parks, which have installed telescopes, and are offering night sky interpretive programs and guided full moon hikes.

As you can imagine, certifying a town is trickier than certifying a park because of the sheer number of lighting fixtures, but Flagstaff and Sedona, Ariz., and Ketchum, Idaho, made the list. By far, the highest number of certified sites are in Utah and Arizona. The only California sites listed are located in the southeast corner of the state.

Problem growing locally

According to the Monterey Institute for Research in Astronomy, Monterey County, like many larger metropolitan areas, faces “a growing problem with light pollution.”

“A critical factor in locating the MIRA observatory in Monterey County was its clear skies,” the observatory reported. “But the light pollution in the Central Coast has increased dramatically in the last few years.”

MIRA reports that the worst sources of light pollution locally are the coastal cities and Salinas, which may seem obvious, but they said another heavy light polluter is the pair of correctional facilities in Soledad. “Light pollution from these sources now crosses the mountains into Carmel Valley and spreads the length of the Salinas Valley,” the observatory added.

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EXPERT

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whom asked for more information from city hall about what had gone wrong and why.

Pacific Grove community development director Anastacia Wyatt told The Pine Cone in March that Baird + Driskell was let go because it had completed only eight pages of the housing document and that it acknowledged it was "unable" to fulfill the terms of the contract and produce the report on time.

Went without pay

However, a March 15 email message from Driskell to Rubens indicates that Pacific Grove's relationship with the firm had long been problematic, and that P.G. didn't pay it for about eight months. Driskell also said that city staff for months was unresponsive to requests for information.

While the consultant's agreement with P.G. specified the city would pay within 30 days of invoicing, Driskell said that didn't happen, which he said was "very much outside the contract terms."

"It is not often that we work for nearly eight months without payment from a client," Driskell said in the email, which was among thousands of pages of documents obtained by citizens Inge Daumer and Jane Haines via public records requests.

In the same message, Driskell said that he emailed Wyatt on Dec. 5, 2022, requesting that she provide feedback on the first of five chapters of the housing element, but that he didn't get a response from the city until Feb. 25 — about three months later.

Driskell went on to say that his firm expected "the full participation and timely response of city staff to requests for input," and suggested that Pacific Grove did not provide that.

"It is unfathomable to us that we would develop on our own a policy document that will lead to the most significant land use and development policy changes in Pacific

Grove in generations without the full participation and utmost attention from" Wyatt and others at city hall, he said.

Driskell called working with Pacific Grove "challenging, to say the least," as it underwent "three leadership transitions" and "months without staff in key roles to provide us with direction or to even respond to requests for basic information."

"We have worked consistently to provide the city with high quality work products, reliable advice and expert guidance," Driskell told Rubens, expressing regret that the relationship ended on a "sour note."

While Driskell recognized Wyatt's "frustration" with the housing plan process, he said, "from where we sit, her frustration is grossly misplaced."

The Pine Cone asked city manager Ben Harvey about its relationship with Baird + Driskell, including why it did not pay the company for eight months. Harvey responded with a statement.

"The city terminated its professional services agreement with Community Planning Collaborative [formerly Baird + Driskell] in March of 2023 because they were unable to deliver an adequate draft housing element document," Harvey said.

The city has paid the company "for all services rendered," he added.

In late February, Pacific Grove paid Driskell \$88,156 for work dating back to April 2022.

Driskell told The Pine Cone this week that his company and the city had "differences of perspective related to approach, content and timing" that were "compounded by delays in receiving information" from city officials.

"That said, we respect the city's right to terminate the contract and wish them well in completing this important planning work for the city's future," Driskell said.

Haines said she found that Driskell had turned in to the city more than 250 pages of the housing plan.

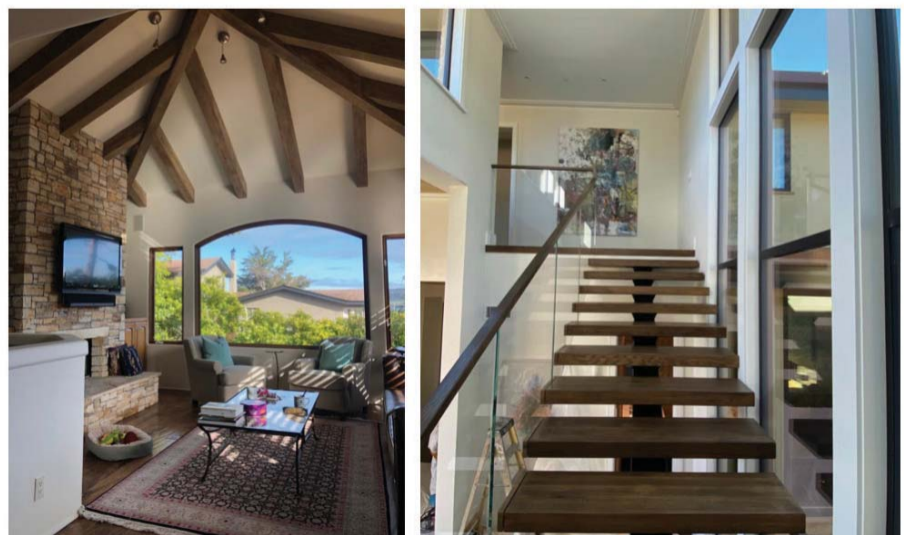
The new consultant hired to complete the housing plan has said it's likely it won't meet the state's end-of-year deadline to turn it in.

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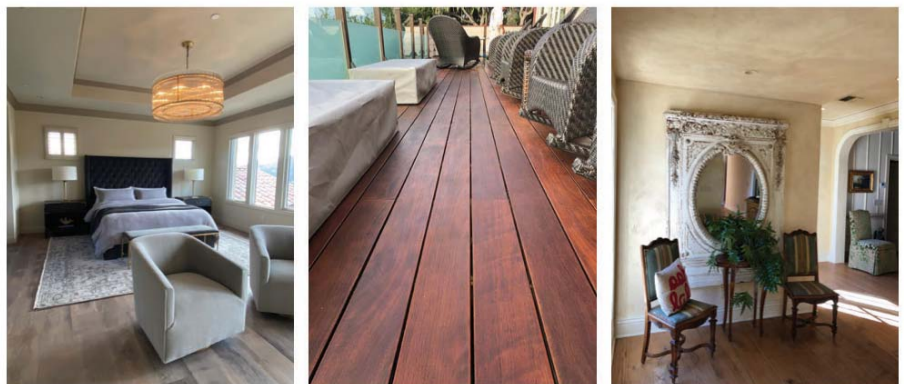


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SHOWERS

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the bathhouse was out of order. “We felt so defeated and so upset. We got a motel room and took showers — it was the best thing in forever,” he said.

That’s when they decided to find a way to give homeless people more access to hot showers and improved hygiene. The Tortorellis connected with an Alameda-based nonprofit called LavaMae. Its website says it has designed mobile facilities that operate in 89 cities in seven countries and offers consulting, training and support to people who want to provide showers and/or hand-washing stations in their communities.

They located a place that sold mobile showers in Illinois, putting down \$20,000 of their own money to order a three-unit rig in August 2022 and purchase a truck to haul it. It was ready about a month ago. “It was going to cost \$6,000 to deliver it, so I said ‘let’s drive it here,’” offered Tortorelli.

Blizzard, tornado

But this winter’s weather was not ideal for hauling a trailer cross-country. Tortorelli said, “It took us 10 days. We went through a blizzard and just missed a tornado in Iowa. I thought, ‘This is a terrible idea — what did I get myself into? This isn’t going to work. This is so dumb.’” The feeling was temporary, and on reflection, the couple was impressed with the rig’s quality. “It was much nicer than I expected,” he said.

They got home and set up the showers at the Salinas church the next day. A volunteer from First United Methodist took the reins — the couple said they want to work with organizations where volunteers already know the clientele — and, said Tortorelli, “When I saw the first person come out of the shower, it was all worth it.”

The 20-foot trailer comprises three 4-by-6-foot bathrooms with showers, sinks and toilets. The locations where they park provide the water, which is heated on the rig by propane. The trailer also has air conditioning and heat.

Each user gets 15 minutes to wash up, then a volunteer thoroughly cleans and sanitizes the bathroom for the next person. Towels and soap, shampoo, etc. are provided. Two other volunteers, Karyn Heirl and Cathy Garza, take turns doing the laundry. The used water is disposed of at an RV dump site in Salinas.

The Tortorellis moved from Carmel to Toro Park a few years ago, and said they’re grateful that Lopez Liquors

and Fine Wines gives them a secure place to park the bathrooms-on-wheels.

They financed the truck and rig to the tune of about \$125,000 and are seeking donations and grants to pay for them. Sara added, “Our main focus for grants or donations is to be able to have employees that can take the trailer out full time,” since Nick is taking time off from work to drive it around. If you’d like to help, you can visit their website at refreshstart.org.

Sara, a lawyer for the California Department of

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(Above) Nick and Sara Tortorelli were inspired to purchase a portable shower trailer with three bathrooms (top) to provide facilities for homeless people who might not otherwise be able to shower. The Tortorellis believe it will improve hygiene, health and self-esteem — and, they hope, create jobs.

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MORE THAN a dozen volunteers from three local Rotary clubs, CSUMB, the Girl Scouts and Carmel Cares spent their weekend pulling weeds that had sprung up in rain-induced bounty among the 1,100 native plants and flowers volunteers planted on theater grounds last November.

According to city officials, the offending vegetation and other debris amounted to more than 600 pounds by the end of the day. Carmel Cares founder Dale Byrne said the volunteers included Sherry and Frank Williams, Loren Steck, Geoff Arnold, Robert Slawinski and others, and their efforts were part of an overall goal of getting the theater and its grounds ready for the upcoming play, "Something Rotten."

"The plants are growing pretty well now and will look pretty amazing by mid-summer," Byrne said. "Next year, it will be spectacular." He said he planned to meet this week with the contractor who will be installing ADA pathways at the theater, along with a pad for a new picnic table.



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SCHOOLING

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Education. In May 2022, they proposed sending David to the MCOE program full-time, regardless of whether his parents agreed.

The dispute led the district to ask a judge to allow its plan to be implemented without the parents' consent, but the Hodges filed a counter-complaint to prevent it.

The primary question was whether the district shirked its responsibility, under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, to provide a "free appropriate public education" to the child, who is enrolled in kindergarten at Tularcitos.

The judge consolidated the family's and school district's cases and, in November 2022, concluded in a 100-page decision that the school district had failed to meet some of its obligations to the boy, including by depriving his parents of "the opportunity to meaningfully participate" in the development of his educational program.

Overall, administrative law judge Kara Hatfield said the district failed to provide a free appropriate public education to the child in the independent education program developed for him, and she denied the district's request to implement it "over the objection of student's parents."

To the feds

Rather than fulfill the judge's orders, the district filed a Feb. 24 appeal in the U.S. District Court's Northern District of California, suing Ashley and Katrina Hodges and seeking "relief under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act."

The filing noted that when their child attended transitional kindergarten at Carmelo after the family arrived, he "did not engage with his peers or participate in instruction," and "often fussed, cried or wailed in the classroom, which distracted other students and staff."

As a result, about 40 percent of each day was spent outside the classroom either for rest or "calming," and his teacher couldn't assess him because his behaviors didn't seem to be in response to any questions or other stimuli, including "music, toys, snacks, pictures or any other tools" suggested by his parents.

Due to his "needs and inability to access core curriculum even with modification," the district "recommended placement outside of general education for the entirety of his school day" and said he should instead take advantage of the numerous specialists in the regional program run by the Monterey County Office of Education in Salinas.

"The student's kindergarten teacher and related service providers at Tularcitos testified he has demonstrated no progress in kindergarten. In fact, he has demonstrated regression in some areas," the district argued in its appeal. "Both staff at Carmelo and Tularcitos testified the student did not participate in instruction, classroom activities, lunch, or recess; he did not engage with his peers or indicate that he enjoys being around his peers; and he did not demonstrate in any manner that he hears or understands the curriculum while attending transitional kindergarten at

Mountain lion lounges in oak near C.V. home

By CHRIS COUNTS

WHILE THE sight of a cat in a tree often triggers a rescue-by-ladder, a local resident found one recently that wasn't worth the trouble. The discovery happened last Friday afternoon in rural Carmel Valley.

"On Friday afternoon, our German shepherd was barking up an oak tree at something and I went out there expecting to look up and see a treed turkey or squirrel," reported Lane Olson, who lives about 1.5 miles up Robinson Canyon Road. "I was quite surprised to instead look up at a massive cougar staring down at us."

Olson said the oak is about 40 feet from her house. "After backing up a ways, I got some photos [one is displayed below] of it camouflaged in the tree," she said.

The woman and her parents watched the mountain lion, which didn't seem to be worried about all the attention.

"When I went back out to get a couple more photos, it didn't seem to be bothered whatsoever," she said. "It probably spent another 30 minutes reclining there before it headed west down the hill."



Carmelo. Carmelo and Tularcitos staff do not believe the student benefits in any way, academically or otherwise, from being in the general education classroom."

Outcry

The legal battle drew fire at last week's meeting of the CUSD board, with several parents standing up to condemn the district for taking the parents to court rather than focusing on the needs of their child.

"I'm appalled that the district is choosing to bully a Carmel Valley family with a kindergarten student with special needs by spending hundreds of thousands of dollars to ship him out of the district after a judge has already ruled that the district failed to have grounds to do so," Mary Peitso commented.

Katrina Hodges spoke emotionally about her son's experiences so far this year alongside his 13 classmates. "My son, David, has been attending Tularcitos and loving it," she said. "His teachers and aides have done a good

job, in spite of the lack of support."

She also pointed out that children benefit from being exposed to peers with disabilities.

"Why is the district so intent on spending legal fees rather than on inclusion?" she asked.

Parent Erin Adams also has a child at Tularcitos who "is beginning to learn about disabilities and differences in communication in new and beautiful ways, since he gets to be a student learning and playing alongside" David.

"Why not include the children of our own communities into our schools?" Adams asked in a letter to the district. "If we refuse to do this, let's stop talking about our desire to be inclusive. It's just smoke and mirrors if no action will be taken."

The parents, meanwhile, have sued the school district in U.S. District Court for the recovery of attorneys' fees and other costs, and on April 25, CUSD's lawyers made a motion asking the court to determine the legal suits are "related," since they involve the same parties and issues.



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Lyndall Anne Demere, age 75, of Carmel, California passed away on March 25, 2023, from cancer. She was born in Washington D.C. on December 20, 1947, to Loraine Simms Dingee and George M. Dingee, and grew up in Arlington, Virginia. Lyndall was an avid scholar and teacher throughout her life. She earned undergraduate degrees and a Ph.D. in psychology at Temple University, where she realized the power of working with individuals, as well as in a group setting. She furthered her training at the The Family Therapy Institute in Rockville, MD, Esalen Institute in Big Sur, CA, The Center for Grandfather Coyote in NY, NJ, and CA, and the Omega Institute in Rhinebeck, NY. She earned master's and doctoral degrees in metaphysics, and became a board certified pastoral counselor from the University of Metaphysics in Sedona, AZ.



Lyndall was devoted to the practice of truth, spiritual principles and selfless service to others. She loved people who love God, no matter the denomination. She worked as a spiritual director, pastoral counselor, psychic, and meditation leader in Carmel, CA since 1987, and founded the International Association of Metaphysicians. She led the Angel Circle in Carmel, for many years, and a meditation group that has met weekly since 1993. She was committed to a variety of theologies, always seeking mystical understanding and experience, and offering this to others. She honored and exemplified generosity and kindness. She freely shared her gifts and time as a hospice volunteer, a long standing member of the Bereavement Ministry at the Carmel Mission, and as a registered Harry Edwards healer.

Lyndall believed that prayer is one of the best gifts that we can receive. There is no cost, just rewards. One of her channeled meditations focused on the joyful, sparkling hearts that are in each of us. Lyndall shared her sparkle with everyone in her life. Her infectious smile, beautiful surroundings, sparkling champagne toasts, and fierce friendship attracted a large circle of friends. Whether shopping for treasures, or on her deck in Big Sur playing classical music for the appreciation of the condors soaring overhead, teaching at the Harry Edwards Healing Sanctuary in the United Kingdom, or writing a book on the love of Mary Magdalene, she was 100% present in whatever she was doing and whoever she was with. She was the treasure and the sparkle.

She is survived by her son, Ben Saputelli, of Big Sur; her daughter, Lauren Saputelli, of Santa Cruz; her sisters, Dale Westberry, of Lakeland, Florida and Renee Miles, of Mathews, Virginia. She is preceded by her brother, John Fridell.

A Memorial Mass will be held at the Carmel Mission at 10 a.m. on May 19th, followed by a Celebration of Life at 4068 Rio Road. Please RSVP to celebratinglyndall@gmail.com.

DEMS

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claim is an “assault” on basic civil rights across the country, and the struggle to recover from the Covid-19 pandemic as important issues that need the Monterey County central committee’s attention.

“Our party’s success in past years has depended on accepting Democrats of all stripes under one big tent — and making sure that we work through internal issues in a way that we do not lose sight of what we are fighting for,” they said, requesting that the committee let them know how they “intend to address these goals.”

Group responds

The infighting has been mostly between the central committee’s moderate Democrats and its more progressive members, which include Araujo and ally Gary Karnes, the committee’s vice chair.

Karnes called the elected officials’ letter “well crafted,” and said the committee responded to it.

“Their letter basically urged us to do what we are already doing, or will be doing shortly,” Karnes told The Pine Cone. “We are a year-round operation. We are part of the same team as those who signed the letter.”

Karnes said that an effort Tuesday night to oust Araujo failed, “without a single vote to remove her.” On Wednesday, Araujo claimed in a letter to members that Democrats were “united” in opposing the resolution to unseat her.

“Now that we have voted to keep Karen Araujo as our chair, we will move forward in serving Democratic voters and electing good Democratic candidates in 2024,” Karnes said.

However, committee member Cristina Medina Dirksen called Tuesday’s meeting and vote “a charade that violated the committee’s bylaws and due process.” She said about half the members who attended the meeting left in protest before the process to remove Araujo began because the “process appeared staged and was non-transparent.”

“The work of the Democratic Party should be front and center and not be polarizing,” Dirksen told The Pine Cone. “It should not be a special interest group. The core mission — which is to engage all Democrats — is not being done.”

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quite literally the most progressive cattle farm in the state of Iowa, home to the first national soil conservation fair. Of local note, he restored the historic original antique bar at Clint Eastwood’s Mission Ranch.

With a glimmer in his eye, his sense of humor was unsurpassed. He would always put everyone before himself, and his generosity of spirit was also unsurpassed.

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ROBIN ARMOUR ROTE

Robin Armour Rote, 80, died at home, Sunday April 2nd, 2023. After living for three years with Lewy Body Dementia, she flew away, enveloped in the love and admiration of her dear friends and family. Born in Riverside, California to Glen and Evelyn Campbell, Robin grew up with the sweet scent of orange and magnolia blossoms in the air. With her lifelong school friends, she hopscotched, played jacks, rode bikes, cruised cars and be-bopped to all the music hits of the time. Described by her friends as "cute as a bug," she was the belle of the ball and her "dance card" was always full.

After graduating from the University of Colorado, Boulder in 1964, Robin moved to Carmel, California where she met her soon-to-be-husband, James W. Rote, and began her 40-plus-year teaching career.

From her early days teaching in Marina and Seaside, to Pacific Valley School on the South Coast of Big Sur and everywhere in between, Robin made a huge impact as a reading specialist, teaching and tutoring children with any learning challenge. She had a gift of knowing what her students needed to excel and gave them confidence to achieve success. So often her students would share, even years later, what an impact she made on them when they needed a creative, patient teacher and mentor to support and encourage them to overcome any obstacle.

One of Robin's greatest attributes, aside from her gift as a teacher and devoted love for her family and close friends, was her ability to connect with others in a remarkably genuine way. Empathetic and non-judgmental, she seemed to know how to reach out to anyone she met, offering trust, compassion and her unique self.

Robin wore her heart on her sleeve and lived her life authentically with boundless love, energy and style. It was not uncommon for her to surprise people with sweet little bouquets from her lovingly tended garden, or to slip a little "hush" money to her family. She was generous in every way.

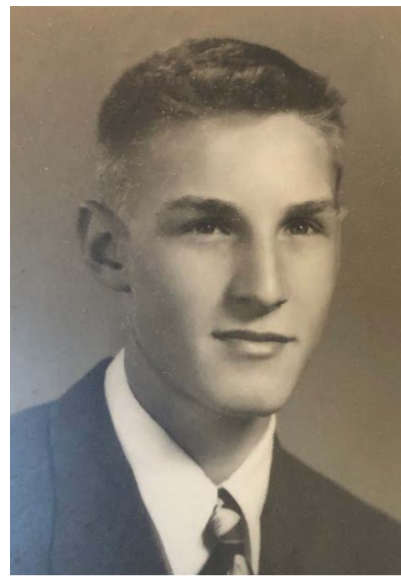
Known by many endearing nicknames: Robina, Rockin Robin, Bird, Suegra, Auntie Rob, Sweet Pea, Robbie Dobbs, and Big One ... she will forever be remembered as our "Grand."

Grand was strong-willed and quirky, thoughtful and loving. With a beautiful, infectious laugh and a marvelous, crooked smile, she was one-of-a-kind and will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

She is survived by her daughter, Rachel Rote Wahl of Carmel; her granddaughters, Lucia Moon Wahl and Esme Wilder Wahl both of Carmel; her nephew, Matthew Campbell Shea of Carmel Valley; and her son-in-law, Brendan Wahl of Carmel.

The family would like to thank everyone at Villa Mirage in Carmel Valley and The Hospice of the Central Coast, particularly Anna, Remy and Angie.

A celebration of Grand's life will be held later in the summer. In memory of Robin, donations may be made to The Rote Professorship Program Fund at <https://donate.csumb.edu>



DAVID AND CHRIS GRAY

Both born in London, England:

Chris on Jan. 20, 1936,

David on Nov. 3, 1938.

The Gray family came to the United States in 1946 where they made their home in Carmel.

Both graduated from Carmel high school:

Chris in 1954,

David in 1956.

Chris and David served in the U.S. military for four years.

Chris died at his home in Kokomo, Indiana on Dec. 4.

David died in his home in San Diego, California on April 10.

In high school they played in a musical group called The English Okies.

MARILYN L. HART ANTON

April 27, 1940 – September 16, 2022

Monterey, CA

Marilyn Anton passed away peacefully on September 16, 2022. She was 82.

Born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin to Richard and Leila Hart, Marilyn grew up in Tucson, Arizona with her sister, Diane. After high school, she began a modeling career, featured in various print media and was crowned Miss Tucson Open.

In 1959 she married her high school sweetheart, Martin Skelin, who tragically passed away leaving her a young widow and mother. Marilyn and her young son, Marty, moved to San Francisco, California where she continued her modeling career including working the bridal runway at City of Paris.

While living in San Francisco, Marilyn met and married her husband of 57 years, John Anton, a young lawyer. In 1967 they moved to the Monterey Peninsula where they raised four children and resided for the remainder of their lives.

Marilyn was an active volunteer. She served as president of the local Red Cross Chapter, an officer in the Junior League of Monterey County, and gave her time to Briard Rescue and any other non-profit in need. She and John would also host lavish parties in their home for local politicians, weddings, and holiday open houses. As her children grew, Marilyn decided to return to school for interior design, completing her studies in London, England. She enjoyed working on design projects on the Monterey Peninsula as well as the Palm Springs area. In her later years, Marilyn enjoyed playing mahjong with a group of close friends and creating miniature display houses.



Her life passion was world travel. She was fortunate to visit many countries with John, her children, and many of her close friends at her side. An active collector, Marilyn brought interesting items from her travels which she proudly displayed in her home along with her antiques, glass pitchers, a vast library of books and miniature collection.

Marilyn is greatly missed by her friends and family. She is survived by her three children, Nick Anton of Monterey, Alissa Anton of Pacific Grove and Dianna Lowell (Jim) of Pebble Beach; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Anton, her son, Marty Skelin and her parents, Richard and Leila Hart.

The family would like to thank Father Ion of St. John the Baptist

Greek Orthodox Church for his kindness, Canterbury Woods of Pacific Grove for their compassionate care and neighbor John Seidel, who never ceased in being a thoughtful and helpful friend.

RENTALS

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the growing wine tourism industry in their districts.

Adams said she was disappointed by the lack of support for the temporary ban, which would have stayed in effect until the county could pass a new set of ordinances to regulate vacation stays in residential neighborhoods.

"This has been a top priority for me," said the supervisor. "It felt like I was beating my head against a wall trying to get something accomplished. I feel like this has been biggest failure of my career."

Yet Adams said the new permitting requirements mean she's ready to put the idea of a moratorium behind her.

"We have come to a point I believe is a compromise," the supervisor said. "I'm pleased by what I have seen here."

Not in my neighborhood

At this week's meeting, a number of locals still pushed

the supervisors to adopt a moratorium. A resident of El Caminito, Doris Fabre expressed her frustration at having vacation rentals in her neighborhood. Fabre complained they are "unpermitted and illegally run," and create "too much noise," "excessive bright lights" and "reckless traffic."

"There are so many reasons to immediately enact a moratorium," she said. "Does residential zoning not have any meaning?"

A Schulte Road resident, Meredith Crowell, questioned why a housing moratorium exists in Carmel Valley, but there isn't one for short-term rentals. She called vacation rentals "hotel rooms."

Another El Caminito resident, Don Post, said vacation stays create hazards in his neighborhood. "You know folks go downtown to do wine tasting and then drive back on a narrow and winding road," he said.

Post also said vacation rentals make it hard for local long term renters. "The absentee homeowners are buying up houses that could be rented by people who would like to live in the community," he said.

Also supporting the moratorium was Jose Torres of

Land Watch Monterey County, who said short-term rentals "contribute to the acute shortage of long-term housing."

"The importance of affordable housing cannot be overstated," Torres said. "Working families are forced to spend more time to commute."

Not everyone who spoke at the hearing is against vacation stays, including resident Shawn Ward, who works in property management. He also called attention to the jobs the industry creates. Ward suggested that the moratorium would put many people, such as those who clean rentals, out of work, leading to homelessness. "What I see is the American Dream going under," he said.

Ward urged supervisors to allow short-term rentals to operate "until the county can create a viable ordinance" that regulates the industry.

EIR coming soon

The county continues to make progress on long-term and short-term rental ordinances for inland areas, planning official Craig Spencer reported.

"We're on track to release the environmental impact report in July," Spencer explained. "Then there will be a 45-day comment period. The next step is to evaluate the comments and prepare a final EIR. We'll bring a draft of the EIR to the planning commission for a recommendation, and then to the supervisors, which we hope to do by the end of the year."

Short-term rentals are permitted in the Coastal Zone, including Big Sur and Carmel Highlands, where the California Coastal Commission has jurisdiction. The state watchdog agency has defended the industry, contending that vacation stays increase public access to the coast.

According to Spencer, 29 short-term rentals have received permits from the county to operate, while 21 have pending permits and another 24 are in "the pre-approval phase." At Tuesday's hearing, county treasurer-tax collector Mary Zeeb reported that 659 vacation stays are paying hotel tax, including 350 in the Coastal Zone.

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ROBERT DARWIN

1926-2023

Robert Darwin was born in 1926 and grew up in Elizabeth, New Jersey. He began his lifelong interest in writing while in high school, becoming an associate editor and feature writer for his school newspaper, The Chronicle. Darwin was called to duty in 1944 and entered World War II as a Naval electronics technician. He was immensely fortunate that the Navy commissioned the beautiful Hotel Del Monte as its training site where Robert first fell in love with the Monterey Peninsula, vowing he would one day make it his home. After serving in the Navy, Darwin attended Rutgers University in 1948, majoring in business and finance at his father's wise suggestion.

After graduating in 1952, he moved to Hollywood to try his hand at screenwriting before getting involved in the business world. Darwin was soon approached by a talent scout and was immediately thrust into the acting profession, where he appeared on television and in films, including Western movies and the Jack Benny Show. After nine years, Darwin left acting to resume screenwriting and directing, and produced a full-length motion picture while living in Paris, France for five years.

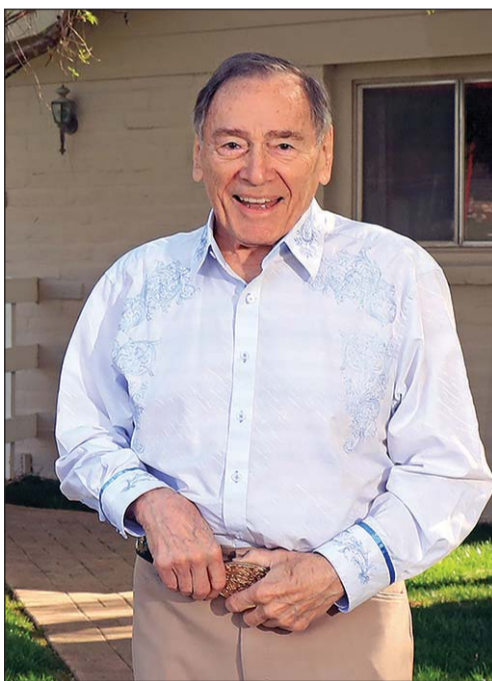
In 1967, Darwin made good on his desire to return to the Monterey Peninsula. Robert and his business partner / closest friend John Hernstadt bought a Carmel Valley Ranch and started a thoroughbred horse breeding farm; just one of their many successful business ventures.

Darwin also continued his interest in writing and trains, resulting in a major photography book entitled, "The History of the Union Pacific Railroad in Cheyenne." This large coffee-table book became the most successful and highly regarded rail photo book ever published. He also pursued his passion for flying planes, eventually earning a commercial jet-rated pilot's license.

In 2015, at the urging of his closest friends, Darwin wrote a memoir of his fascinating time in Hollywood, published in 2019 as "Hard On Hollywood," soon followed by another memoir entitled, "Fragments".

The Board of Regents of California State University (CSU), and CSU Monterey Bay awarded Robert Darwin an Honorary Doctorate Degree (L.H.D.) for his generous support toward improving the destiny of the university's students in Monterey County and beyond.

Robert Darwin passed away on April 8th at 96 years of age after a brief illness. Throughout his long life and into his last days, he maintained a robust propensity for humor, laughter and the desire to partake in all of the positive things that life has to offer. He loved great food and remained social with many friends surrounding him at all times. He felt Carmel Valley and the Monterey area was the most beautiful place on earth.



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Carmel Valley man competing for \$5K in startup challenge

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EACH YEAR since 2010, Cal State Monterey Bay has run a "Shark Tank" style challenge for local business startups, and this year Mark Angel of Carmel Valley is competing in the Social Venture division.

The owner of Mark Angel Healing Arts, Angel has a master's degree from CSUMB in instruction science and technology, and his latest venture is called Get Up and Move! It's a natural extension of his existing business, which includes massage therapy, health and wellness coaching and martial arts instruction.

After surviving a qualifying round, getting advice from a mentor and attending workshops sponsored by the university, Angel is vying against five other startups in Friday morning's final round for a top prize of \$5,000. Two runners-up will receive \$1,500 apiece.

Get Up and Move! uses an app (available in its beta version in Apple's and Google's app stores) to encourage people to be more active throughout the day, using what Angel's website describes as "exercise, meditation, and lifestyle modifications developed to help people move more, more regularly, and in more beneficial ways."

Previous winners have included Carmel Honey Company and Nece's Gluten Free Baked Goods in Monterey. A free expo featuring competitors in all divisions will be open to the public from 1 to 4 p.m. Friday in the Otter Student Union's main ballroom at CSUMB. Winners will be announced at 2 p.m.



JUDE BARTHOLOMEW QUIRINALE

FEB. 20, 2002-APRIL 12, 2023

JUDE WAS BORN AT COMMUNITY HOSPITAL OF THE MONTEREY PENINSULA. HE GREW UP IN CARMEL VALLEY. HE ATTENDED TULARCITOS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, CARMEL MIDDLE SCHOOL AND GRADUATED FROM CARMEL HIGH IN 2020. HE WENT ON TO MONTEREY PENINSULA COLLEGE FOR TWO YEARS BEFORE TRANSFERRING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT SANTA BARBARA WHERE HE WAS MAJORING IN QUANTUM PHYSICS. HE WAS INVOLVED IN RESEARCH WORK WITH SUPERCONDUCTING MATERIALS AND WAS PURSUING A DOCTORATE DEGREE IN QUANTUM MATERIALS.

JUDE WAS A BEAUTIFUL YOUNG MAN WITH A BRILLIANT MIND AND A WICKED SENSE OF HUMOR. HIS EVER PRESENT SMILE LIT UP THE ROOM. HE WAS KIND HEARTED AND CARING, AND THOSE WHO KNEW HIM, LOVED HIM. HIS SPIRIT AND EXUBERANCE WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN. HIS LIFE WAS TRAGICALLY CUT SHORT DURING DELTOPIA WEEKEND WHEN HE WAS UNINTENTIONALLY EXPOSED TO FENTANYL.

JUDE IS SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER, STEPHANIE; FATHER, BART; AND BROTHER, AIDAN, AS WELL AS EXTENDED FAMILY AND CLOSE FRIENDS. WE ARE HEARTBROKEN AT THIS SENSELESS LOSS OF AN AMAZING YOUNG MAN WITH THE BRIGHTEST OF FUTURES AHEAD OF HIM. HE WILL BE MISSED ALWAYS AND OUR LIVES ARE CHANGED FOREVER BY HIS PASSING.

WE WILL ALWAYS LOVE YOU, JUDE.

SLOUGH

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use an approach employed by oyster farmers.

"They will bring adult oysters from the slough to an aquaculture facility at Moss Landing Marine Labs, where they will be fed and warmed until they produce larvae," the reserve said. "The larvae settle out on clam shells provided by the aquaculturists."

Once they are the size of a dime, the baby oysters will be reintroduced to the restored tidal creeks.

Because indigenous people harvested oysters from Elkhorn Slough, the reserve invited the Amah Mutsun tribe to collaborate in the oyster project, and its members will participate in the shellfish restoration and monitoring effort.

"This project will provide the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band with opportunities to connect with wetland habitats and species on their ancestral lands, and I look forward to learning from their perspectives on coastal stewardship," reserve research coordinator Kerstin Wasson said.

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Mary Margaret Graham

1923 - 2023

Mary Margaret Graham passed away peacefully at her home in Carmel, CA on Monday, April 10th at the age of 99 years old. M.M., as she was known, was born in 1923 in Texas on her family's 300-acre farm where she learned to drive a tractor and take care of all the farm animals. She and her mother, Alma, moved to Santa Barbara when she was about 8 years old. There she attended La Cumbre Junior High and then Santa Barbara High School. After graduating, she studied at the University of Oregon and San Jose State.



She and her mother eventually moved to Sacramento where M.M. worked for the California State Legislature in the historical archives. She excelled there and later became head of the department. In 1948, while still living in Sacramento, she took the train into San Francisco where she had been accepted into the prestigious Stanford Opera Workshop. It was there that she learned to polish her operatic talent and where opera became an integral part of her life. Shortly thereafter she was accepted as lead soprano for the San Francisco Opera where she performed numerous engagements during the 1948 and 1949 opera seasons. After meeting her future husband, Douglas Graham, at the famous Ryde Hotel in Sacramento on a blind date, they married in 1950 and moved to the Monterey Peninsula where he opened a Buick dealership, and they started a life and family together in Carmel.

M.M. was well-known locally for her operatic talent and sang throughout her life for friends and acquaintances at local engagements and fundraisers, including those at the Oppenheimer Ranch (The Preserve), Stuyvesant Fish Ranch, for the Sobrante family, and Westland House, among others. She became an incredibly accomplished opera singer during her lifetime and was musically fluent in French, Italian, German, Spanish and Gaelic. She was a world traveler and had unique opportunities to sing at some of the major basilicas of Europe, including St. Peter's, Notre Dame, and St. Giles and St. Andrews in Scotland. She sang numerous times at the Carmel Mission Basilica and had the rare honor to sing at the Carmelite Monastery.

M.M. had prolific local affiliations and memberships including Casa Abrego Club, La Mirada, the Monterey Peninsula chapter of I Cantori, Monterey Art Association and the Monterey Symphony. She and her husband spent many years enjoying golf and tennis as members of Monterey Peninsula Country Club, the Beach and Tennis Club, and John Gardiner's Tennis Ranch.

Mary Margaret Graham is survived by her son, Bruce Graham, and his wife, Joyce Scampa Graham; son, Bryan Graham; and grandchildren, Fiona Graham, Corin Hanamaikai Silva, Christina Hanamaikai, Chad Hanamaikai, as well as numerous great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Douglas Graham, and her two daughters, Lisa Ann Graham and Roberta Lou Graham.

A heartfelt thank you to Hospice of the Central Coast and wonderful nurses Bianca, Girlie, Mary, Maria, Cindy and Jillian for their kindness, grace and priceless support. Mary Margaret lived to sing and sang to live.



Getting to know you: Three schools, three new varsity lacrosse coaches

WITH FIRST-YEAR varsity coaches at Carmel, Stevenson, and Santa Catalina high schools, and rosters packed with new players, girls lacrosse programs at all three schools are adjusting again this season to new tactics, philosophies and personalities — while still working toward the goal of becoming competitive with the best teams in the Central Coast Section.

A year ago, an exceptionally talented Stevenson Pirates squad made progress on the latter front, advancing to the semifinal round of the first CCS girls championship tournament, where they were eliminated by top-seeded St. Ignatius, which went on to win the trophy.

That Stevenson team was runner-up in the Gabilan Division with an 8-1 record and went 12-4 overall.

Off to solid starts

When this week began, Stevenson's 2023 squad had a winning record at 6-4, Carmel was even at 5-5, and Santa Catalina, 3-5, was flirting with a .500 season, despite having a roster of only 13 total in a sport that requires 12 on the playing field.

Stevenson's new coach, Jerry Gilbert, is a former Dartmouth College football player with two daughters who became NCAA Division I lacrosse players. Lauren, his firstborn, was a two-time All-American who helped Northwestern University to the semifinal round of the national

tournament three times and now plays in a nascent professional league called Athletes Unlimited. Katie, her younger sister, is playing at Stanford, where she's in her junior year.

"When our girls fell in love with lacrosse, I started coaching at the youth level, and stayed with them all the

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

way through high school," said Gilbert, whose wife, Christina, is helping coach the Pirates' JV team. "We met Stevenson's athletic director (Justin Clymo), and what started as, 'Maybe you could help us out a little bit,' turned into, 'We kind of need somebody to run the program.'"

A good returning cast

The 2022 Pirates graduated four players who earned first- or second-team of All-Gabilan recognition, but Stevenson returned a strong nucleus that includes sophomore Macey Torres (an all-division midfielder) and a pair of attackers, senior Molly Bufkin and junior Naiya Patel (both second-team All-Gabilan).

Bufkin, Patel and sophomore midfielder Grace Ishii are providing exceptional leadership as tri-captains, the coach said.

"This is a strong, healthy group, and there's a sense that this has been a fairly successful program," Gilbert said. "But competing outside our league has been a challenge here, and our goal is to build the program so we match up with those strong Bay Area teams."

Torres, the all-leaguer, missed the team's first five games with an injury, but returned April 10 to score five goals in a victory over Salinas.

Bufkin's advanced stick skills make her the coach's pick to take the draw — the face-off for control at the beginning of each half and after each goal. Patel is adroit at distributing the ball and has natural instincts for the game, Gilbert said. Ishii is an athlete with boundless energy that makes her a leader by example.


Among other notable players are seniors Misha Lauer (midfield), Anouk Catania (defense) and Laney Neugebauer (defense), juniors Maxime Vandendriessche (midfield) and Sara Vanoli (defense), sophomores Skyler Stratmore (attack and midfield) and Julie Draxler (the first-year goalie), and freshmen Georgia Bonifas (midfield) and high-scoring Brogan Dolata (attack), who tallied four

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Senior Molly Bufkin, No. 11 (left), is a dangerous scoring threat this season for the Stevenson Pirates. All-Gabilan Division standouts (center) Peyton Kelly, shooting, and Reygan Bethea, No. 9, are field generals for a youthful Carmel team. Fia Enea, (right) Catalina's senior captain, is an all-around standout and prolific scorer who tallied 10 goals in a game against Salinas this year.



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goals against both York and Salinas and three against Carmel.

First-teamers back at Carmel

Carmel's new coach, Reed Walter, has 55 prospects, including first-team All-Gabilan veterans Reygan Bethea (attack and midfield) and Peyton Kelly (midfield), who are senior co-captains.

"Reygan comes from a lacrosse family with very good knowledge of the game and the kind of calmness you need to help bring our younger players up to speed," said Walter, who played collegiately at Roanoke College in Virginia. "She teaches the game — how to cut, how to run plays, how to get our midfield and attack in sync.

"And Peyton, I call her 'the director' out there," the coach said. "She sets the tempo of our attack and also has great defensive skills. Those two are our backbone."

Other key players include seniors Sophia Bone (all-around), Riley Speidel (goalie), Audrey Glaser (defense), Hannah Kastner (defense and midfield), Riley Palshaw (defender) and Ema Heiser (midfield), juniors Sophia Scattini (midfield) and Anya Melton (attack), and sophomores Charlotte Mayer (midfield and attack), Kate Graham (attack) and Ella Gallagher (defense).

Glaser and Kastner earned second-team all-league recognition in 2022.

"My objective is to instill our girls with a bit more confidence in their positions and the roles they play on this team," Walter said. "I'm also trying to change the mindset and improve our transition game."

Enea is a scoring machine

Santa Catalina's first-year coach, Julian Salas, has a lone captain, senior midfielder Fia Enea, a second-team All-Gabilan player whose explosive scoring ability produced a 10-goal eruption against Soquel, and seven against Monterey. Enea scored 24 in Catalina's first five games.

The Cougars' second-leading scorer, junior Sophia Fieber, leads a supporting cast that includes her younger sister, Allie, a sophomore who can play anywhere on the field, junior attacker Dharma Ragsdale and sophomore goalkeeper Sofia McHugh, and defenders Sawyer Vogel and Maniya Dorsey.

"With only 13 girls in our entire program, our fitness has become our strength," Salas said. "With just one reserve player on our sideline, we can't really substitute for anybody.

"Our girls are playing very hard every game, which is a difficult thing to do throughout an entire match, while also trying to conserve energy," he said.

His Cougars are talented, but inexperienced, Salas said. "We have a lot of new players and we're learning as we go," he said. "The athleticism is there, but they're learning



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Grace Ishii, 6, became one of three team captains at Stevenson this season as a sophomore, thanks in part to her tireless hustle and exceptional work ethic.

the intricacies of a sport that a lot of them have never played before."

Last year's CCS bracket included 12 schools, two (Scotts Valley and Stevenson) from the Pacific Coast Athletic League. This year's tournament is scheduled May 10-19.

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Editorial

Nothing for something

HAVE CALIFORNIA'S income tax rates gone about as far as they can go?

The answer is apparently yes, because while the Democratic Party may be famous for its "make the rich pay their fair share" philosophy, they've made no move in recent years to raise the state's income taxes. This is true even though they have absolute power in Sacramento to pass any law they want.

It was back in 2012, with Jerry Brown still in the governor's office, that the Democrats achieved two-thirds majorities in both houses of the state legislature, and they've kept them ever since. Brown's successor was Gavin Newsom. Even the state supreme court has a 6-to-1 Democratic majority. Quite literally, Republicans have no power in state government — and their only influence is to try to persuade their colleagues on the other side of the aisle.

So why, with their constant talk of the unfairness of this country's economic system, the need to spend more on schools, childcare, housing for the homeless and innumerable other social welfare programs, and even the necessity to pay billions in reparations for slavery, haven't the Democrats raised taxes? This year, even with the state facing a big budget shortfall, Newsom says he opposes an idea floated in the state senate to raise taxes on highly profitable businesses — something surely most Democrats would favor.

"It would be irresponsible to jeopardize the progress we've all made together over the last decade to protect the most vulnerable while putting our state on sound fiscal footing," Newsom spokesman Anthony York said this week in response to the plan.

Some commentators linked Newsom's tax-hike opposition to his White House ambitions. Tax increases don't play as well in swing states as they do in true-blue California. But we think the spokesman's words — "put our state on sound fiscal footing" — deserve credence, if only because they are indisputably true.

Income is something you earn by being productive, and when people earn money, they are usually careful to get value for their dollar when they spend it. Creating the thing of value someone wants to buy with their hard-earned money requires an additional dose of productivity — and on and on, millions of times every day, until you have a functioning, prosperous economy that benefits everyone it touches.

But when the government takes money in the form of taxes, it provides nothing to the taxpayer in exchange, lessening the productivity and prosperity of the overall economy. Likewise, when the government spends the money it takes, it usually isn't careful to spend wisely, damaging the economy even further.

Of course, the role of government is important. Things like police, courts, the military and support for the elderly and disabled are essential, and the money taxed and spent on such things is worth it, despite the damage it may do to the economy. But when the government uses its tax revenue to dole out political favors or support frivolous programs, that money is a loss to the taxpayers and the prosperity created by their hard work.

Which means that taxes should only be imposed to support essential government programs, not ones cooked up because "the rich should pay their fair share."

The public understands this, and so do even some of the most ardent Democrats. They may never stop talking about raising taxes, but they don't always do it.

Of course, another recent news story shows that raising taxes isn't the only way to take people's money without providing anything in return. Just this week it was revealed that PG&E has asked the PUC to approve new electric rates based on customer's incomes — which means that higher-income PG&E customers will soon be paying part of their bill, not for electricity services, but for nothing. Instead, that money will be used to underwrite the electricity bills of strangers. And get this: You'll even be required to report your income to the electric company so they can decide how much to charge you.

Democrats may not be raising income taxes, but they've cooked up some entirely new taxes — and new ways of collecting them, too.

BEST of BATES



"The economy's improving. I've got two jobs."

Letters to the Editor

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Youth center missed

Dear Editor,

I am a resident of Carmel, a physician and the parent of twin 11-year-olds who attended Carmel Youth Center and Blackburn Jijitsu.

As parents, we are particular about whom we trust to care for our children. The youth center and Blackburn Jijitsu are high-quality programs, and our children consider the staff to be like family and a vital extension the trusted adults who are helping shape them into confident, happy and community-focused people.

It was a shocking blow the way the youth center was closed down so precipitously. And added offense by the reporting of the incident.

Jessica Faddis ran the youth center with a deep commitment to the betterment of children, and families needing a safe and nurturing place for their children to learn, play together, and grow. She went the extra

mile to create such special programs as "parents' night out" and community-building by participating in Carmel celebrations.

Michael Blackburn and his talented staff of black belts donated their time to pass on their special craft of mental and physical confidence training for the betterment of a new generation — something extraordinarily important for young people in these uncertain times.

There was no "anonymous tip" nor any sort of insinuated misbehavior that set off the series of events that led to the closure of the youth center. Rather, it was some policy questions that Faddis, herself, initiated that led to social services determining that the center was working under one official designation but should actually be working under another.

The precipitous actions of the Monterey County Department of Social Services showed shocking disregard of the welfare and mental health of children.

Our children have suffered great trauma and emotional challenges with the Covid lockdown. Closing the youth center so abruptly without the opportunity to say goodbye, or process, communicate or problem solve, was yet another emotional blow to our children and completely reckless in my professional and personal opinion.

Let us be a better city and community by acting with kindness and care for our citizens of all ages. On behalf of the children and parents of this community, we hold a deep desire for the immediate reopening of the youth center.

Julie Kenner, M.D.

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Women's golf pioneer Helen Lengfeld

AMONG THE most active women golfers in California's early development of the sport was Helen Foorsman Lengfeld, a woman whose ancestors were among the state's pioneers.

Her paternal grandfather, Simon Foorman, immigrated from Germany in his 20s, briefly settling in Ohio before joining the gold rush and making his first fortune with mining and then forming the Mokelumne and Campo Seco Canal Company, which supplied water to others for hydraulic mining. And then he made even more money in real estate. Helen's father, Isaac Foorman, was born in San Francisco in 1859 and worked with his father, taking over the family business in 1900, when Simon died.

Helen's mother, Sadie Samuels, was born in New York in 1869. She was just a month old when her parents brought her across the Isthmus of Panama to settle in San Francisco, where Sadie's father established D. Samuels House of Lace. The

Lengfeld, a pharmacist attached to the hospital corps at Camp Fremont, near Palo Alto. He had graduated from Stanford in 1912 and pharmacology college in 1914. Before the war, he worked at Lengfeld's Pharmacy, which his father had started at San Francisco in 1880 and grew into the largest pharmacy in the west.

Lengfeld married Helen in July 1918 at her parent's home, and then moved into a Palo Alto bungalow for a few months. In November 1918, the couple moved to Fort Worth, Texas, after Lengfeld was promoted to second lieutenant and assigned to the Sanitary Corps at Camp Bowie.

Cozy Home

After the war, the Lengfelds returned to San Mateo and began their family. Helen's parents set them up in large home neighboring theirs on El Camino Real. Their first child, Louis, was born in November 1919 and a daughter, Frances, was born in December 1920. In 1921, Louis Lengfeld partnered briefly in the hardware business and later joined recent Swedish immigrant Eric A. Ohlund to form The Cozy Home Building company. Helen served as a director of the business, which built small homes in the area. As their business grew, they took on larger projects and reincorporated as Lengfeld and Ohlund. The Lengfelds also joined San Mateo's Beresford Country Club, whose golf course had been completely rebuilt in 1922 by Donald Ross. Helen soon returned to the game she began playing as a girl. Louis tried golf, but it didn't suit him.

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Lengfeld (left) at the 1925 Del Monte Championship with Sally Schweitzer of Lake Merced Country Club and Leora Horan of Hollywood.

Ventura's highway brought him bright lights, big cityscapes

AS A 1960s TV announcer told us every week, "There are 8 million stories in the Naked City." Pebble Beach resident Paul Ventura, a Gotham-born artist whose luminescent cityscapes light up Carmel's New Masters Gallery, has a tale worthy of the raconteurs.

As he was evolving as a painter, Ven-

auditions for me," reminisced Ventura, who spent time at Paramount and Universal studios.

He also worked with a list of legendary producer-directors that included Sydney Pollock, Roger Corman and Alan Arkin, along with music stars like Levon Helm, Papa John Creech, Ernie Watts, Willie Dixon and Buddy Collette. His Hollywood career also included a half-dozen bit parts as an actor in TV shows like "M*A*S*H."

All of which enabled him to buy the Pebble Beach

home where he lives today — originally as a gift for his parents (both deceased), whom he credits for encouraging and nurturing his creativity from the earliest years of his life.

Choosing rockets over baseball

Ventura's dad — also named Paul — played centerfield at Brooklyn Polytechnical College, earning an offer from the Brooklyn Dodgers after scouts watched him blast a game-winning three-run homer out of Ebbets Field.

"I saw the letter from the Dodgers' general manager, Branch Rickey, offering a contract and inviting my dad to Vero Beach, Fla., for spring training," Ventura said. "But the Dodgers already had this guy named Duke Snider — an eight-time National League All-Star — in centerfield, and Dad had some back issues, so he told them he was going to become an engineer."

His mother, Cecilia, was a New York artist who saw creative potential in her toddler son, using what Ventura called "reverse psychology" to lure him into her studio one weekend.

"I was 3 years old. She was headed out of the house to go shopping. And she said, 'Stay out of the den — your father is working — and, whatever you do, don't go into my studio,'" Ventura said, sharing family lore.

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Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

tura enjoyed a glittering Hollywood career, casting soon-to-be-famous superstars for films, TV shows and thousands of commercials. George Clooney regularly showed up to do voice-over work. Cameron Diaz was an aspiring model before Ventura talked her into trying acting. Brad Pitt frequently dropped by to steam up the lens at casting calls for commercials.

"On an average day of casting, before they hit it big, I'd bring in Leonardo DiCaprio, Billy Bob Thornton, Bryan Cranston, Reese Witherspoon, Elizabeth Moss, Kathy Bates, David Spade or Paul Rudd. Nicole Kidman did one of her first



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New York City native Paul Ventura is a Pebble Beach artist who specializes in the detailed, whimsical cityscapes he shows at Carmel's New Masters Gallery.

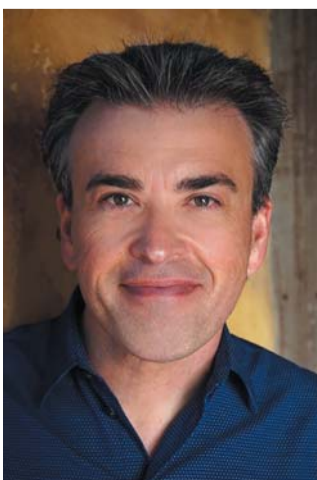
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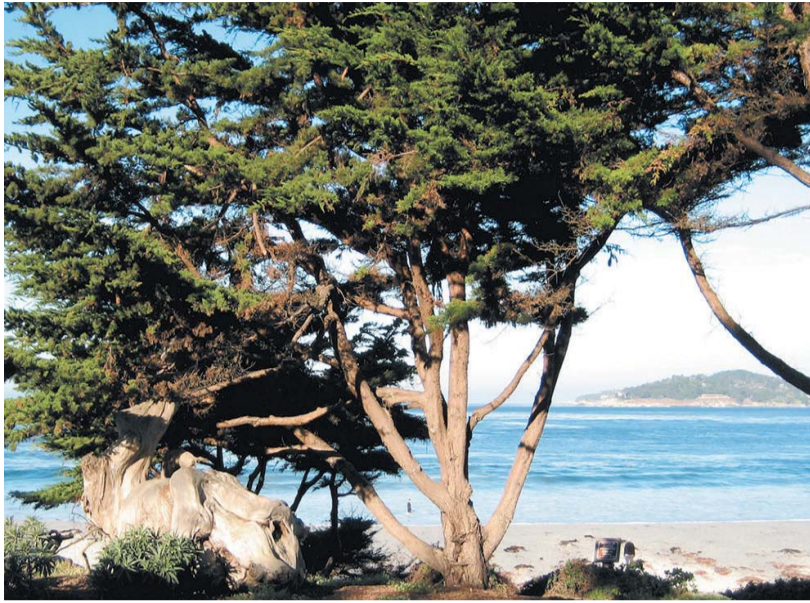
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In 1919, Morse paid \$1.34 million for 18,000 acres that included modern-day Pebble Beach. Over the next 50 years, he guided the development of the community, which is famous not only for its golf courses, but its lavish hotels and stunning private homes. He died in 1969.

Besides delving into the details of his grandfather's life, Osborne will formally announce the creation of an annual S.F.B. Morse Conservation award, which will be given to groups that are "furthering conservation efforts of Monterey Peninsula's coastline."

The fire station is located at 73 Fern Canyon Road.

Correction

In last week's Fun in the Sun section, we reported that Summer at Catalina was open to first and second graders, but it is only open to third graders and above.

HOMELESS

From page 17A

Corrections, summed up Refresh Start's goals. First, she said, "We want to provide hygiene for health to everybody who needs it."

The CDC says that, among other things, poor hygiene can lead to lice, pinworms and the spread of hepatitis A. In addition, germs accumulate on the skin, increasing the odds of infection after a minor cut or scrape. And, the agency says, when hand-washing is introduced into a community where it hasn't been available, diarrhea can be reduced by more than 30 percent.

The second goal is to help people find

"increased dignity, self-esteem and confidence," Sara said.

Her husband noted that one of the people who used the showers and donned clean, donated clothing, soon got a job at a local retail outlet.

Finally, Sara said, the service can create jobs. "We're hoping to grow enough to hire full-time staff and maybe get more trailers," she said.

For now, they've secured a second site in Salinas through a group in Chinatown called A Closer Walk. Nick Tortorelli suggested that they might add Monterey and Seaside to the weekly rounds, too.

Meanwhile, their generous investment has already allowed many people to enjoy the simple pleasure of something most of us take for granted — a hot shower.

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LETTERS

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Town going downhill

Dear Editor,

I've been reading letters from people concerned about the direction Carmel-by-the-Sea is going. The charming cottages being replaced by large McMansions, etc.

I so agree. I lived on Camino Real near Fourth for close to 25 years. First thing that happened was the small cottage next door was torn down and a large spec home went up in its place and took all the light from that side of our home. We knew an artist of some note had owned the home, so we went to city hall to see the information on the cottage. All papers were "strangely missing," the clerk told us when she handed over the file.

Recently my husband passed away and I was forced to sell our home, though I owned 50 percent of it and he left me a lifetime estate.

While we lived in the home, people driving would stop and take pictures of it every single day. And that was before we acquired our front yard giraffe.

I heard the new owners going through the house while I lived there, talking about all the changes that will be made. One being tearing out the solid wonderful "castle-like" front door and all the beautiful many-paned doors that this Comstock-built house has.

Pretty soon there won't be any unique Carmel cottages left! I'm glad there are others who care.

Pamela Wagner, Carmel

Name-calling at DEI

Dear Editor,

I have noticed a troubling direction the DEI task force in Pacific Grove seems to be taking. Decorum and any code of ethics have been cast aside by allowing public comment to devolve into insults towards some in attendance who disagree or question DEI agenda items as task force members sit in silence. At the last meeting, an individual present closed out her three-minute comment by pointing out the "white elephant" in the room no one was speaking about, turned to face the audience and declared, "white supremacists." The meeting before that, we were described by a Zoom caller as "the three white men sitting in the audience."

I do not allow such attacks to discourage me from speaking out, but I can believe there are many in our community who do. Being labeled a white supremacist in today's society can be very dangerous. We have all read about doxing, swatting and harassment of individuals who may find themselves labeled as such. Citizens of Pacific Grove engaged in government or private business certainly do not want the label of white supremacist attached to their names. It is safer to stay quiet. Unless you submit and comply without question regarding the opinions of the DEI, you may face labeling, too, which can only bring division within our community.

At the meeting of March 13, Chair Bui presented a packet defining the words diversity, equity and inclusion. I am not sure how allowing such comments to occur without addressing them promotes the racial healing Bui speaks of in her publication. I would ask then for clarification

from the DEI regarding meeting decorum and respect going forward. Is there a code of ethics that governs these meetings? If not, one must consider the DEI members' silence as support for such tactics. Where is the equity in that? As for inclusion, I would assume the label I have been given certainly prohibits me from membership in that club. I refuse to obey, submit or virtue-signal and will continue attending the meetings despite the hate speech and labels others tend to use as tools to control the narrative.

**Stephen Houx,
Pacific Grove**

What's in a name?

Dear Editor,

As someone familiar with the history of the City of Monterey and the State of California, I feel compelled to respond to Sam Farr's letter in the April 21 Pine Cone, "Why change county's name?"

Farr's letter starts out by saying, "We've been Monterey County for 173 years now. So why change it now?"

Actually, when the state Legislature created Monterey County as one of the California's original 27 counties on Feb. 18, 1850, it was officially designated as County of Monterey. Hence, the name is not changing. The county is merely making alterations to the county seal to reflect

its official name.

Farr then ponders that he can't imagine "Santa Cruz County and other counties changing their names." Actually, the County of Santa Cruz did change its name. Like the County of Monterey, the County of Santa Cruz was an original county; however, the state Legislature created it as the County of Branciforte. The state changed its name to County of Santa Cruz two months later. In addition, the County of Colusa was originally Colusi and the County of Yolo was originally Yola.

Farr continued by saying Monterey is where California began. While this statement is correct, given that this was the location of the California constitutional convention, it is important to recognize that counties are creations of the state. As such, the County of Monterey was actually created in San Jose, which was the location of the first Legislature.

Finally, Farr suggested changing the name of Monterey Bay. That cannot be arbitrarily done, as he implies. The U.S. Board of Geographic Names is the Federal agency in the Department of Interior which is responsible for the review and approval of such changes. The recent change of the name of Mt. McKinley to Denali is an example of this process.

Timothy Blomgren, Carmel

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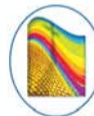


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HISTORY

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With the help of the club's new Scottish pro, "Wee Willie" Nicoll, Helen was soon back in solid golfing form. In 1923, Lengfeld reached the quarterfinals in the San Francisco City Championship. The next year, she was runner-up to her good friend Helen Sheedy.

The new and improved Lengfeld

brought her game to the Pebble Beach Championship for Women in February 1925. She reached the championship flight but lost her first match to Mary K. Browne, the 1924 runner-up to Marion Hollins. In April 1925, Lengfeld reached the semifinals in the California Women's Championship played at Lake Merced. She lost to the eventual winner, Dorothy Richards, of Cleveland. In September 1925, Lengfeld lost her semifinal match in the Del Monte Championship to eventual winner Kathleen Wright. Lengfeld couldn't count many wins, but she could be counted as one of the top women golfers in the state.

Sweet victory

In November 1925, she scored one win in an invitational tournament in Beresford. Making it even sweeter, she defeated Sheedy in the final. They had met in match play five times over the past few years, with Sheedy always besting her. Another victory came when Lengfeld won the 1926 San Francisco City Championship.

Lengfeld's role in golf took another turn in 1926. That fall, the

Northern California Golf Association decided to split. President Nickel announced that "The new plan is that the women shall have a permanent organization of their own, not only running the Northern California Women's Championship, but also the decision of all other matters pertaining to women's golf." Lengfeld was appointed as the first secretary-treasurer of the new Women's Northern California Golf Association, a role she would hold for several years.

Lengfeld gave birth to a third child, Kathleen, in July 1927, so did not compete that year. However, the 1927 Northern California championship was conveniently delayed until January 1928, and Lengfeld won. The Lengfelds had a nurse at home to help with the children. A 1929 interview of the "modern mother" demonstrated that "she is passionately fond of her family." Asked how she found time for golf with three children 10 and under, Lengfeld insisted. "I'm not all the time on the golf course. I play very little. Golf is a game with me and I always want it to be."

Lengfeld continued to play throughout the 1930s and was a regular on the Monterey Peninsula. She was runner-up in the 1934 Pebble Beach Championship. She even reached the championship flight in the 1940 U.S. Women's Amateur at Pebble Beach, losing her first match to Betty Jameson, the defending champion who won again in 1940.

Poaching from Florida

More significantly, Lengfeld became an accomplished golf administrator. In December 1940, she became president of the Women's Northern California Golf Association. In February 1941 she announced plans for a new Northern California Women's Golf Circuit to compete with an established circuit in Florida that had been drawing top women golfers away from California events each winter and spring.

The new circuit would start with some early March events in San Francisco and move to Monterey in late March, incorporating the Pebble Beach Championship (March 26-30), preceded by an 18-hole



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Seen here at Del Monte Golf Course in 1936, Lengfeld, at 38, was still in fine form as a competitive golfer.

Open championship at Del Monte Golf Course and followed by a 72-hole championship at Cypress Point Club.

About 20 women entered the Del Monte Open, which was won by "Babe" Zaharias, the 1932 Olympic athlete turned golfer. Zaharias shot 80; Marion Hollins was second with 83. Among the 50 women entering the 1941 Pebble Beach Championship. Clara Callender defeated Hollins to win. Of the 67 women who entered the Cypress Point championship, 50 posted third-round scores, at which point Hollins led by four strokes. But when rain soaked the fourth round, only four golfers completed the tournament.

Rain may have dampened the spirits of the first California Golf Circuit, but the bombing of Pearl Harbor in December 1941 put it on ice. World War II would have several impacts on golf, including canceling the 1942 U.S. Amateur scheduled at Pebble Beach.

Next week, we will cover how the resort and especially women's golf came through the tragic years of World War II. Spoiler alert — Lengfeld had an even bigger impact on women's golf on the Peninsula following the war.



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Helen Lengfeld (right), at the 1925 Pebble Beach Championship for Women. Others (from left): Marion Council, Sylvia Potter, and Belle Sutro, all of San Francisco.



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ARTIST

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“But she left her door open, and when I peeked inside, I saw a blank canvas on her easel, and her paints and brushes all set up for me.”

The boy wandered in, dabbed a brush into the oils, and painted Humpty Dumpty on a brick wall.

“It was actually pretty detailed — I even did the bricks and mortar,” he said. “Mom came home and saw what I did, loved it, and I’ve been painting ever since.”

“My life was interesting, because my mom would teach me about music and art, my dad would teach me sports and math, and I had a very balanced childhood from all of those disciplines,” said Ventura, whose father, a rocket engineer, helped design the ships that took American astronauts to the moon. Paul Sr. later helped engineer the booster rockets on each side of the space shuttle.

“Throughout his career, they’d bring my father in to solve major problems in the rocket industry,” he said.

When their son was 8, the Venturas left New York City for Sacramento — a hub for aerospace design at the time — creating a couple of notable memories.

“We lived in a really nice area, with orange blossoms everywhere. In the spring, the fragrance was overpowering,” he remembered. “I also noticed that the

sunsets in Sacramento often were green. Many years later, I realized that it was because of all of the rocket tests that were going on there.”

At 18, Ventura enrolled at Santa Clara University, where he majored in political science, but after watching fellow students audition ineptly for a campus play, he stepped forward.

The accidental thespian

“I had never tried acting in my life, but felt like I could do better,” said Ventura, who was cast as Voltaire in a production of “Marat/Sade,” about the Marquis de Sade.

During his four-year stay at the university, he performed in almost 40 plays and was named Outstanding Graduate in the Drama Department, unusual, considering he was never officially a drama student.

After earning his Master of Fine Arts degree from UC Davis, he joined California Actors Theater in Los Gatos, where he worked with future stars Kurtwood Smith, David Ogden Stiers and Tyne Daly. Next, he was hired as artistic director of a theater in Soquel.

“Just as I was packing up my desk to leave that job, I got a call from Pat Kehoe, an assistant director who needed extras and bit players for a major movie that was going to be shot in the Santa Cruz area,” he said. “I didn’t have a car, so I took the bus to the Holiday Inn to meet with him.”

After an interview that took just minutes, Kehoe hired Ventura to help cast the film and manage a roster of 2,000 extras.

Connections made through that experience took Ventura to Los Angeles, where he was quickly hired to help cast a movie at Universal Studios for Roger Corman. That job led to an offer to work at Paramount Studios.

“The office they gave me there as an assistant casting director — all mahogany — had previously been used by John Schlesinger, the director of ‘Midnight Cowboy’ and ‘Marathon Man,’ and Dan Curtis, producer of ‘Burnt Offerings’ and ‘The Winds of War.’ It would’ve made Michael Corleone envious,” said Ventura, whose Hollywood heyday extended from 1981 to 2010.

Throughout the years, he never stopped creating artwork, which morphed from the Andrew Wyeth-style realism he did in his earlier days, to classic pop that was compared to the work of Wayne Thiebaud, to whimsical Americana.

That’s not to mention the spectacular and enormous cityscapes (New York, Paris, Tokyo, Shanghai, Singapore, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Dallas) for which he is best known. All are intricately detailed, mixing iconic landmarks from each city with colorful embellishments from Ventura’s imagination.

“I’ll work from photographs to recreate the iconic buildings, and then just kind of become a city planner,” he said. “My painting of Tokyo took five months ... New York and Paris took years.”

Images of his art, and additional information, can be found online at paulventuraartist.com. Some of Ventura’s paintings — including those of New York and Paris — can be viewed at New Masters Gallery (Ocean and Seventh).

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Tor House Garden Party set for May 7

OPENING ITS doors for a festive celebration, the Tor House hosts its annual Garden Party May 7, from 2 to 5 p.m.

Presented by the Robinson Jeffers Tor House Foundation, the annual afternoon gathering offers a peek inside one of the town’s most interesting homes and showcases an array of musicians and artists.

The musicians include Melinda Coffey Armstead and Barbara Rudzicka, who will play Una Jeffers’ restored 1904 Steinway piano, a Celtic music trio, the Weeds, and bagpiper Ed Jarvis.

Santa Cruz weaver Kris Nardello will demonstrate how to use a spinning wheel that was brought to the United States from Ireland by Una Jeffers in 1841.

Plein air painters will have easels set up in the garden, while printmakers Peter and Donna Thomas and artist Tom Killion will be on hand to sign copies of their creations.

During the party, people will be able to

explore the Tor House, which looks very much the way it did a century ago, and visit the property’s distinctive Hawk Tower. They will also be able to take photographs, which they generally aren’t allowed to do.

One of America’s most celebrated poets during the early 20th century, Jeffers bought the land and started construction in 1918. With the help of builder Mike Murphy, the home was completed in 1919. The work on the tower started in 1920, and was finished four years later.

Many celebrities visited Jeffers at Tor House, including Sinclair Lewis, Edna St. Vincent Millay, Langston Hughes, Charles Lindbergh, George Gershwin and Charlie Chaplin.

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HEALTHY *Lifestyles*

A dangerous inheritance — tracking genes that increase cancer risk

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

AS A gastroenterologist with Monterey Bay GI Consultants Medical Group, Dr. Daniel Luba typically works to manage diseases of the gastrointestinal tract, such as colitis, irritable bowel syndrome, stomach pain, pancreatitis, acid reflux and ulcers. Yet, in treating a recurring issue among his patients, he found himself going down a path that veered away from his normal specialty, because he simply couldn't ignore it.

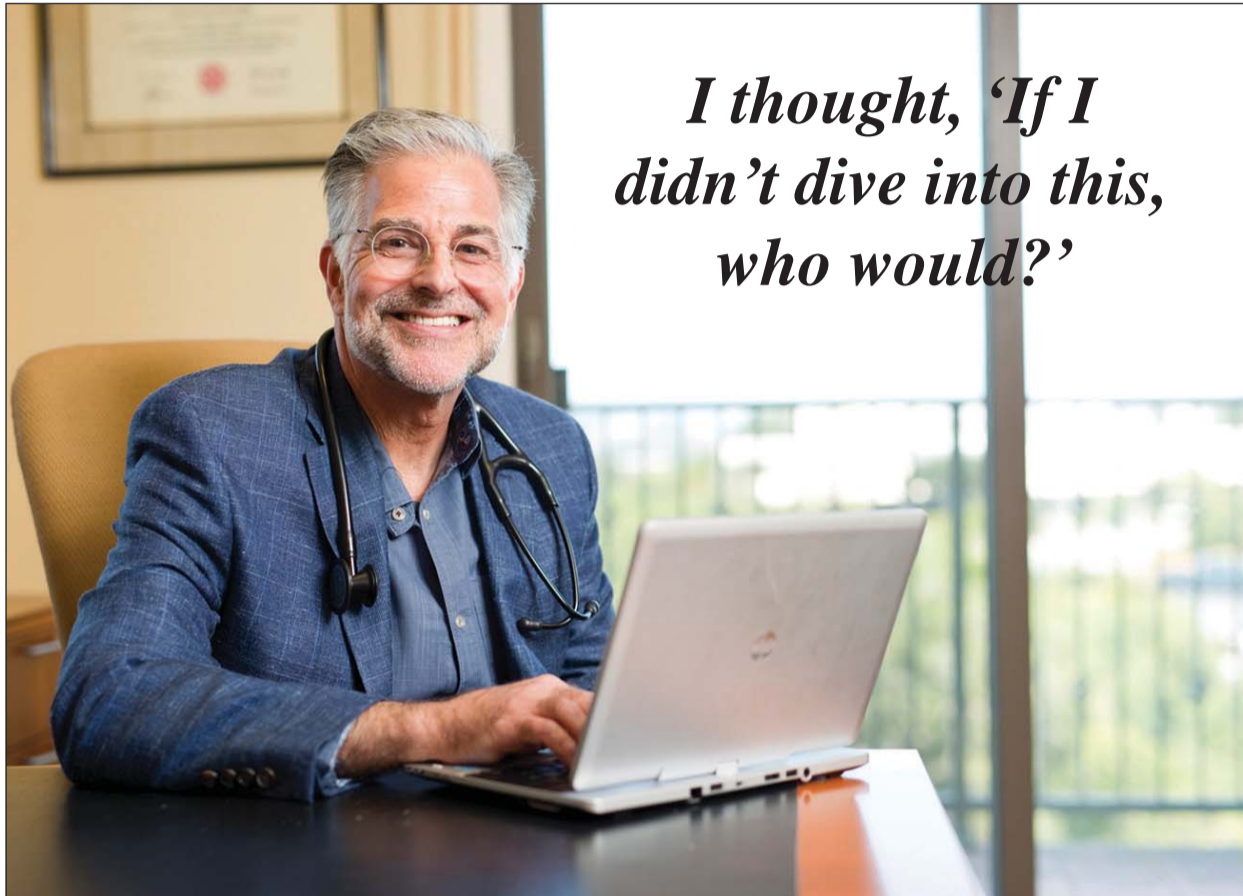
"I found that after removing big polyps from certain patients, they kept returning with more big polyps. I knew I was missing something and wondered if this might be hereditary polyposis syndrome. That's when I realized there are hereditary syndromes that can put people at risk of developing cancers."

He wondered whether through genetic testing, physicians could identify people at risk for a heredity cancer syndrome and then figure out how to manage the risk before the disease could manifest and thus, save lives.

"Why aren't we doing this?" he thought. "It's like thinking someone might have a propensity for high blood pressure. We test for it and address the risk. I thought, 'if I didn't dive into this, who would?'"

Luba began by researching cancers associated with the gastrointestinal tract, such as colon cancer, as well as uterine and ovarian cancer. This led him to contemplate Lynch Syndrome, a hereditary disorder which increases a person's risk of developing cancers of the breast, ovaries, colon and uterus.

He decided to take action. "In 2011, I set up systematic programs throughout the county, in which we identified 4,000 people who met the criteria for testing, and among



I thought, 'If I didn't dive into this, who would?'

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Dr. Daniel Luba, a gastroenterologist with Monterey Bay GI Consultants, wants to reduce patients' risks of getting hereditary diseases.

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Vaping bad. Smoking worse. Screening? Very, very good.

By ELAINE HESSER

LUNG CANCER doesn't have a lapel ribbon, a celebrity spokesperson or designated month for "awareness," even though it's the deadliest of all cancers, claiming more than 120,000 American lives each year.

Unlike many other deadly cancers, however, it's largely preventable. The Centers for Disease Control estimates that 80 to 90 percent of lung cancer cases are linked to smoking.

The CDC adds that more than 200 kids in the United States start smoking every day. Ninety-nine percent of all smokers start before they're 26, 90 percent before they're 18 — the legal age to purchase tobacco. Teens also use e-cigarettes — something that concerns many physicians, including Dr. Mario Cole, a pulmonologist with Salinas Valley Health (formerly known as Salinas Valley Memorial Healthcare System).

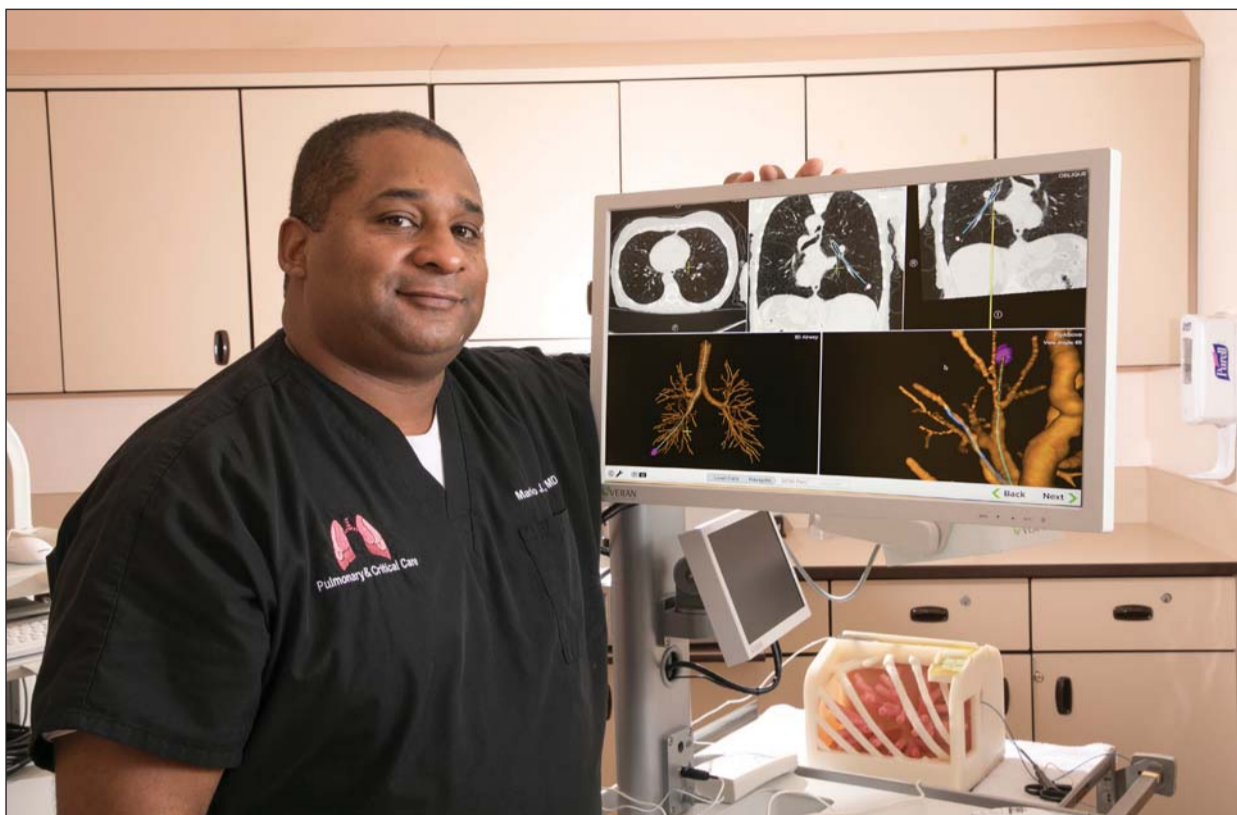
Cole said that in the CDC's 2019 National Youth Tobacco Survey, 28 percent of high school students admitted using e-cigarettes. In 2020, that number dropped to 19 percent, but he still finds it worrisome.

'Harmless'

"The perception is that e-cigarettes are harmless," Cole said, but they aren't. "They develop nicotine dependency," and many kids "graduate" to smoking cigarettes. This seems counterintuitive, given that old-fashioned smokes are more detectable by parents, messier and more expensive.

Cole speculated teens might make the change because when they first vape, they only get small hits of nicotine, the stimulant in tobacco that provides an immediate, brief-but-powerful buzz. "As they learn to inhale, the nicotine levels increase," he said, and smokers' tolerances rise, as well. Because traditional cigarettes provide more nicotine, smokers might make the change to compensate for their increased tolerance.

The CDC says that e-cigarettes are less harmful than traditional ones, but points out that there are still risks. Nicotine — regardless of its source — is dangerous for pregnant mothers and unborn children, and, in young people, can affect brain development, which continues into the early to mid-20s. The dose of nicotine in different e-cigarettes isn't always specified and ingredients can vary



Dr. Mario Cole is a pulmonologist with Salinas Valley Health. He shared his concerns about the risks of e-cigarettes to youth.

widely. The CDC adds that vapers still inhale some volatile organic compounds, heavy metals and cancer-causing chemicals, too.

E-cigarettes have also evolved, Cole noted.

When the gadgets entered the market in 2007, consumers had no control over what was in them. Now, it's possible to add harmful ingredients to refillable cartridges. Cole cited an example called vitamin E acetate, a chemical which has caused severe lung injuries in thousands of people who inhaled it while vaping. Cole said he saw a 19-year-old patient who had to be placed on a ventilator and nearly died as a result of inhaling the vapors from vi-

tamin E acetate.

But as scary as that is, the risk of developing cancer as smokers age is higher. The CDC says that about 10 to 20 percent of smokers will get lung cancer, and the American Cancer Society adds that the average age of people who are diagnosed is 70. And therein lies one of the challenges. If you think it's tough to get college freshmen to consider the consequences of a frat party Facebook photo on a job search just four years away, imagine trying to get them to worry about something that might not happen until they're septuagenarians.

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HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

Listen to your doctor — stop procrastinating and get a colonoscopy

By ELAINE HESSER

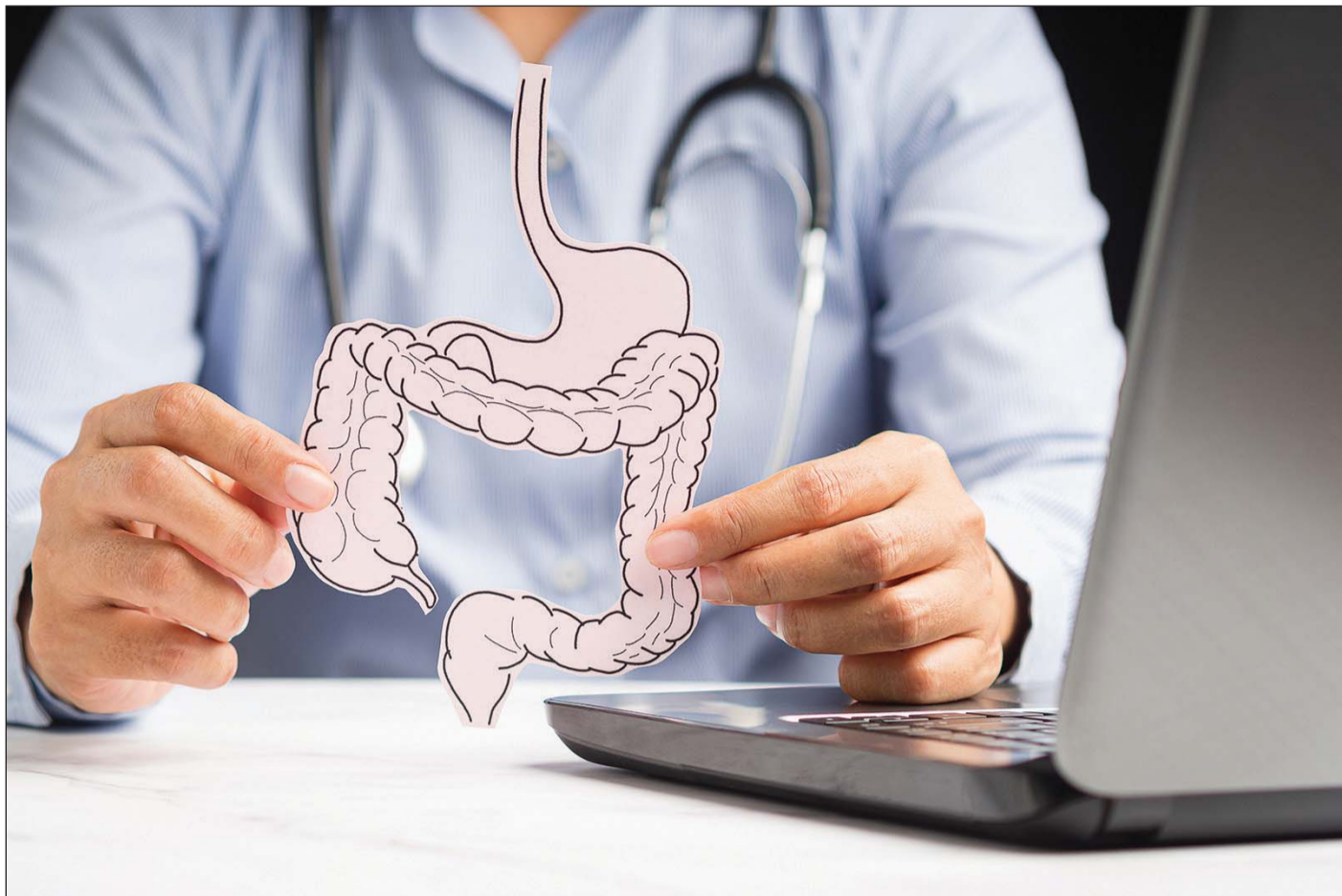
IN 2022, colorectal cancers accounted for the fourth-largest share of new cancer diagnoses (151,030) and the second-largest share of cancer deaths (52,580) in the United States. That's according to the National Cancer Institute (cancer.gov), part of the National Institutes of Health.

These cancers occur in the large intestine, or large bowel, a 5-foot-long tube that comprises the cecum (which connects it to the small intestine), the ascending colon, transverse colon, descending colon, sigmoid colon, rectum and anus. Its function is to "absorb water and salt from the remaining food matter after it goes through the small intestine," according to the American Cancer Society (cancer.org).

Dr. Geetha Varma, the cancer research medical director for Salinas Valley Health (formerly Salinas Valley Memorial Healthcare), said that colorectal cancer used to be found almost exclusively in people 50 and older, but there's been an alarming rise in cases in people in their 30s and 40s.

Nobody is certain why, although the National Cancer Institute notes that "half of younger adults with colorectal cancer were overweight and 17 percent were obese." Dr. Zach Koontz, an oncologist with Pacific Cancer Care in Ryan Ranch, said that "the overwhelming consensus" in the oncology community is that it is a result of a combination of diet and lifestyle. "It's a First World problem," he said.

Some risk factors are out of your control, like having a first-degree relative — a parent, sibling or child — with the disease. Varma recommended that anyone diagnosed with colorectal cancer get a simple blood test for a genetic mutation that might be shared with close relatives, who can then also be tested. If they're at a higher genetic risk, they can schedule more fre-



If you've been looking for motivation to get screened for colon cancer, you should know that it's the second deadliest cancer in the United States, and that by the time someone develops symptoms, it's usually progressed dangerously far.

quent screenings to ensure the disease doesn't develop unchecked.

"We see members of the same family all the time who develop cancer, but normal, age-appropriate cancer screenings could have prevented them," Koontz said.

Things you can control include diet

and physical activity. Obesity is associated with an increased risk of the disease, as is a diet low in fruits and vegetables and/or high in red meat or processed meats, like hot dogs.

The ACS says that cooking meat at high temperatures, including deep-frying,

blackening, grilling and broiling, may also be a risk factor. Koontz clarified that a serving of your favorite grilled fish has a low probability of doing damage, however. "Charred, blackened red meat is the

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HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

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Dr. Katrina Fischer, an oncologist with Pacific Cancer Care in Ryan Ranch, explained that cancer simply means uncontrolled cell growth, which leads to tumors and other problems, depending on where in the body the cancer is located.



Dr. Katrina Fischer

In the lungs, it can eventually interfere with breathing and may metastasize to the brain, liver, bones and other parts of the body. By the time it starts causing coughing, chest pain, tiredness and other conditions that bring someone in to see the doctor, the cancer is usually incurable.

However, Fischer said, in its earliest stages, lung cancer is treatable with surgery. Depending on the subtype, chemotherapy and radiation may also be used. That is why she and Cole each recommended that anyone who has smoked ask their doctor about annual lung cancer screenings — even if they quit years ago.

She explained that a patient's risk is assessed using pack years — the number of packs of cigarettes a person smoked a day, multiplied by the number of years they smoked. That means a pack-a-day smoker for 20 years or someone with a two-pack-a-day habit for 10 years, would both be classified as 20 pack-year smokers.

And, Fischer added, the risk continues for 15 years after someone quits. The American Cancer Society has a national screening initiative aimed at getting smokers and former smokers to get annual low-dose CT (computed tomography) chest scan, in the hopes of catching more cancers

at earlier, treatable stages.

Cole said that screening is recommended for people between the ages of 50 and 80 with a 20 pack-year (or higher) history of tobacco use.

What about weed?

Cannabis legalization in California (medical use in 1996 and recreational use in 2016) raised the question, "Does smoking marijuana cause cancer?" and the answer is, "nobody's sure."

Specifically, the CDC says, "Smoked marijuana can harm lung tissues and cause scarring and damage to small blood vessels. Smoke from marijuana has many of the same toxins, irritants, and carcinogens as tobacco smoke."

But, it adds, more research is needed to find out whether pot affects the risk of lung cancer and other serious respiratory conditions.

Dr. Jaya Sugunraj, a pulmonologist with Montage Medical Group, told Healthy Lifestyles that

"researchers have noted bronchial inflammatory changes similar to changes observed with smoking." He went on to say that smoking cannabis is associated with several serious conditions, including COPD, and that people have reported symptoms including wheezing, shortness of breath, cough and phlegm production.



Dr. Jaya Sugunraj

Sugunraj summarized, "In the grand scheme of things, the lungs are ideally built for inhaling clean air. My personal bias would be to not inhale any noxious agent including smoking, vaping and marijuana."



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Grilled Monterey Bay King Salmon with English Peas, Pea Shoots, & Morels

Matt Bolton, Executive Chef, InterContinental – The Clement Monterey

THIS DISH positively shouts, “Springtime!” Chef Matt Bolton’s lightly grilled salmon with peas and pea shoots is light and delicious, with the earthiness of the morel mushrooms balancing the grassy sweetness of the peas and pea shoots.

Despite its buttery taste and texture, salmon is low in saturated fats but provides significant amounts of protein, vitamin B12 and potassium. It’s also high in omega-3 fatty acids, which your body

cannot manufacture, but which are strongly believed to play a role in preventing cardiovascular disease, some types of cancer, dementia and Alzheimer’s disease.

Ask your grocer if they can get fresh morels, which usually come from foragers — although you can find cultivated ones online. If they’re not readily available (or you find the price off-putting), Bolton said you can substitute other fresh wild mushrooms or even button mushrooms. If

you’re lucky enough to get fresh morels, give them a thorough rinse to make sure you get the grit out.

Pea shoots and English peas can be found in the produce sections of some stores or at the farmers market. Shelling peas isn’t difficult, just a little tedious. (That’s probably why it’s usually depicted as a social activity in movies or on television, with more than one person working on a batch.)

The term “chiffonade” — as in the parsley in this recipe — means to roll the parsley leaves up tightly like a cigar (you can leave all but the biggest stems in) and then slice them into thin ribbons. And if you don’t own a microplane — that’s one of those brand names that’s become a catch-all for handheld graters with small holes — you can slice off pieces of lemon zest, leaving the bitter pith behind, and mince them. However, if you like to cook, those little gadgets also make short work of garlic cloves, parmesan cheese, and all sorts of other things.

Finally, as you’ll read in one of the stories in this month’s issue, grilling or broiling meat at high temperatures may contribute to colon cancer — and if you’re having charred hamburgers every weekend, you may want to talk that over with your doc. A few grill lines on a piece of salmon, however, are probably not going to send you over the edge.

INGREDIENTS

4 6-ounce portions wild king salmon
Kosher salt and freshly cracked pepper
Extra virgin olive oil

Rub the salmon fillet with enough olive oil to coat, then season the salmon with kosher salt and cracked black pepper to taste. Heat your grill to medium high. Moisten a towel with more olive oil and rub down the grill. Place the fillet gently onto the grill, skin side down. Allow the skin to caramelize and crisp by rotating it about 45 degrees after three minutes. Once it is nicely caramelized, use a spatula to carefully flip the salmon, and cook for about three more minutes. Remove from the grill, place on a resting rack for a couple minutes and serve.

English Peas

1 pound English peas, shelled
1 quart water
Kosher salt

In a large stock pot, bring water and salt to a boil. Blanch peas until tender, about 2-3 minutes. Shock in ice water, reserve.

Morel Ragout

8 ounces morel mushrooms, rinsed well

(see notes)

1 shallot, sliced
1/2 bunch thyme, stems removed
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 teaspoon micro-planed lemon zest
2 tablespoons chicken stock
1/2 bunch parsley, chiffonade (see notes)
1 bunch pea tendrils (leaves picked from stems)
Kosher salt and freshly cracked pepper to taste

Heat a sauté pan over medium heat. Add olive oil and shallots. Season with salt and pepper. Cook shallots until tender and fragrant, 1-2 minutes. Add thyme and morels. Cook for 2 minutes, or until mushrooms have a glossy sheen. Add stock, lemon zest, parsley, pea shoots and peas and cook for one additional minute.

Spoon ragout onto each plate and top with grilled king salmon

Chef Bio

MATT BOLTON is the as executive chef at the C restaurant at the InterContinental on Cannery Row in Monterey.



A California native raised in Hollister and San Juan Bautista, Bolton’s first job, at age 15, was as a dishwasher in a steakhouse, where he was immediately drawn to cooking. He never considered another career.

Locals know that his turn at the C is the latest in an impressive local career that began when he became Cal Stamenov’s sous chef at Bernardus Lodge in 2000. He took a job as chef de cuisine at the Covey at Quail Lodge, and later took over the kitchen at Pacific’s Edge at the Highlands Inn as executive chef, where he worked before coming to Cannery Row in 2014.

His approach to cooking is respectful, simple and in line with the natural beauty of the Peninsula and the coast.

Bolton’s efforts haven’t been confined to restaurant kitchens. From the James Beard House to The Chefs’ Holidays at The Ahwahnee in Yosemite, and Pebble Beach Food & Wine, cooking has given him the opportunity to support charitable efforts and community-based organizations. And while his resume is quite impressive, his fans look forward to the elegant and tasty dishes that come with views of dolphins, otters and the occasional whale.



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them, identified 400 who had a hereditary cancer syndrome," including Lynch Syndrome.

A person with Lynch Syndrome who has cancer, said Luba, has a 30 percent chance of developing a second cancer within 10 years and a 50 percent chance of developing a second cancer within 15 years. That's why he said it is so important to become educated about genetic risk.

He continued, "The model in the United States is that one in 25 to 50 people has a hereditary cancer syndrome. We know this because 38 percent of all people in this country will develop cancer, and 5 to 10 percent of them are caused by hereditary cancer syndrome."

In practical terms, he said, "If you identify someone with hereditary cancer syndrome, you know they are at high risk for getting cancer. So, at a certain age, maybe a woman is done having children and is ready to have her ovaries removed as a precaution. Maybe a woman will have a bilateral mastectomy (removal of both breasts), or maybe, instead, she will get mammograms more often. Maybe the person will have colonoscopies more frequently. The purpose is to catch cancer at a treatable stage, to monitor health or to remove risk through preemptive surgery. It is up to the patient; it's a personal decision."

Project DNA

In 2014, Luba established Project DNA, a nonprofit dedicated to increasing public awareness of hereditary cancer syndromes while encouraging physicians to implement screening processes to identify patients who have a genetic risk of developing cancer.

"If you have a family history of colon cancer — typically several family mem-

bers or those diagnosed at a young age — these are risk factors that warrant testing," he said. Six cancers — colon, uterine, ovarian, breast, pancreatic and prostate — indicate a person is at high risk of hereditary cancer syndrome.

Today, said Luba, local oncologists routinely test and evaluate people at risk of the syndrome. Montage Health has established a genetics center across the hall from its Carol Hatton Breast Care Center in Ryan Ranch. Luba is a co-director of the center with Dr. Lulu Zhang, an oncologist at Pacific Cancer Care.

"We have a questionnaire at the Breast Care Center, which every woman receives, to help identify those at higher risk for breast cancer and determine whether they should receive a referral to the genetics program for further testing."

His vision is to expand from genetic testing to determine the risk of developing cancer, to identifying patients who have a strong family history of abnormal genes that may cause other issues. After all, why stop at cancer?

"I like to compare it to HIV. We first saw cases in the early 1980s and had no idea what it was or how to handle it," he said. "Today, everybody who has risk factors for HIV is being screened and counseled. Now we have a way to cure or manage it, and people are living longer lives."

This, he said, can be done for various hereditary health risks.

"I've come to realize there are genetics that can cause sudden cardiac death. If we're sending off genetic testing to identify someone at risk for developing cancer, let's identify the risk for sudden cardiac death as well," said Luba. "There's also genetic testing to determine how we metabolize drugs. This is where we need to be going, in oncology, cardiology, pharmacology. This is true preventive medicine."

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problem,” he said. “Generally, diets high in vegetables and low in red meat are better.”

Fruits and whole grains also appear to lower the risk, and Varma said she continues to be surprised by people who say they only have vegetables once a week. (That seems especially bizarre, given Monterey County’s multi-billion-dollar agricultural industry.) Eating whole fruits and vegetables with all their fiber is better than juicing. Fiber supplements, Varma added, are unnecessary if you have a healthy diet.

Some estimates say regular physical activity can lower colorectal cancer risk by as much as 19 percent. The National Cancer Institute recommends “150 to 300 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic activity, 75 to 100 minutes of vigorous aerobic activity, or an equivalent combination of each intensity each week. This physical activity can be done in episodes of any length.”

And smoking and having more than one alcoholic drink per day for women or more than two for men are believed to increase the risk of many kinds of cancers, including colorectal cancer.

Early stages of the disease have no symptoms, so screening is vital. “I recommend people have a regular relationship with a primary care physician,” said Koontz, because it enhances the likelihood that you will get the tests and screening you need.

The American Cancer Society lowered the recommended age to start colorectal cancer screening from 50 to 45, but not all insurers have bought into the change. Most people at normal risk still do one screening every 10 years, while those with higher risk may need to do it every three to five years, the ACS says.

Screening options

One way to find colorectal cancer is to check the stool for blood. ColoGuard tests do this, and there are multiple, similar

tests and brands available. If your doctor prescribes one of these, you’ll get a kit to collect a sample from your poop at home and mail it to a lab. No special preparation is involved. Fecal occult blood tests, as they’re technically known, are usually recommended for adults who are not at high risk for the disease. Koontz explained that’s because the likelihood of a positive result — which requires a colonoscopy — is higher, so you might as well just have the colonoscopy in the first place.

Varma called colonoscopy “the gold standard” of detection. Plus, it’s the only screening test that includes immediate removal of precancerous or cancerous polyps. (For detailed information on colonoscopies, see page 42A.) Polyps are relatively slow-growing, which is why screenings can be done less often than, say, mammograms.

If polyps are removed, your doctor or testing center will follow up after they have them tested in a lab to determine if any are malignant.

When colorectal cancer goes untreated, symptoms including mild anemia, changes in bowel habits, cramps and unexplained



Dr. Geetha Varma



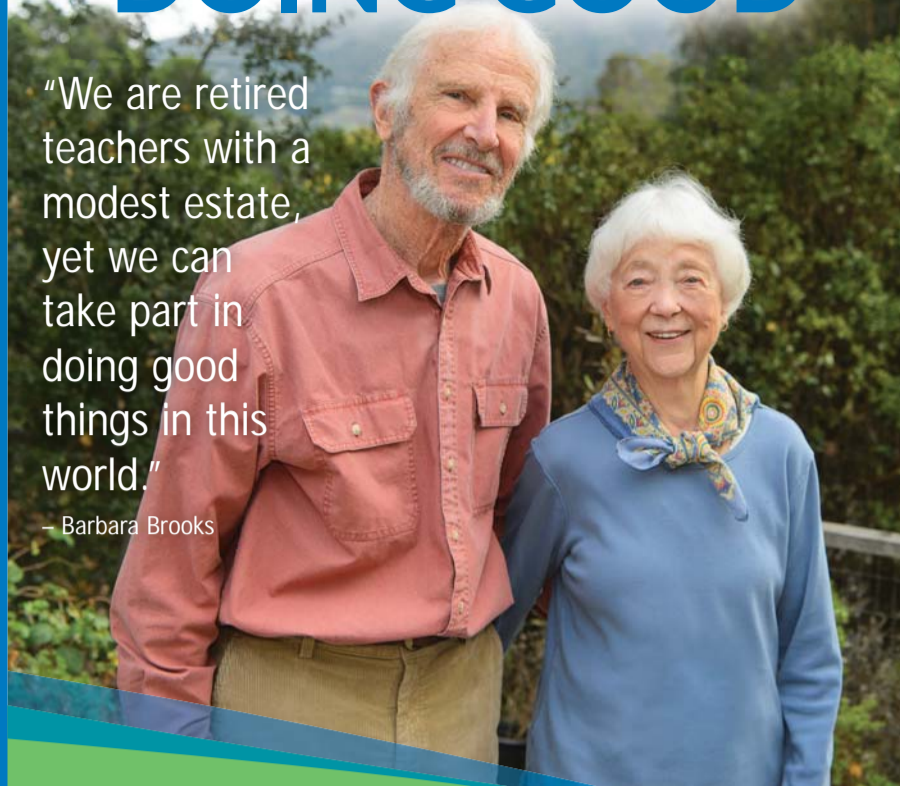
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weight loss may develop. However, if it's caught in its earliest (usually asymptomatic) stages, the five-year survival rate is roughly 90 percent.

Staging and treatment

Varma said if cancer is found, tests will be done to determine the extent — or stage — of the disease, on a scale from 1 to 4. The higher the number, the further it has progressed.

Treatment for stages 1 and 2 often involves surgery alone, while stage 3 typically requires several months of chemotherapy, too.

As it grows and spreads, five-year survival rates drop to 74 percent for cancer that has metastasized nearby and 17 percent by the time it's found in distant parts of the body. Stage 4 is incurable; treatment depends on where and how much it has metastasized.

Sometimes, a temporary colostomy — an artificial opening from the colon to the outside of the body, allowing the person to pass waste into a disposable bag — is done so that the lower portion of the intestine can rest while it heals after surgery. Contrary to popular belief, the Colorectal Cancer Alliance says that only about 10 percent of patients need a permanent colostomy.

As with many other cancers, recent treatment innovations involve immunotherapy, which Varma explained “stimulates our immune systems to attack cancers,” and has fewer side effects than other therapies.

You may have read about a drug called dostarlimab, marketed as Jemperli, currently approved for use in a different form of cancer. A small clinical trial of the drug (14 patients) for colorectal cancer had an almost unbelievable outcome — 100 percent remission. However, Varma cautioned that the drug is only appropriate for a small subgroup of colorectal cancer patients who have an uncommon form of the disease.

If you're 50 or older and have not been screened for colorectal cancer, talk with your doctor about doing so. Although collecting a stool sample or having a colonoscopy may not be the high point of your week, they can save you plenty of misery down the road.

“THE GOLD STANDARD” — WHAT TO EXPECT DURING A COLONOSCOPY

Colonoscopies are often referred to as “the gold standard” of colorectal cancer detection. In addition to finding cancer in its early, asymptomatic stages, the doctor can remove precancerous growths — called polyps — during the exam.

Prep requirements vary a bit among facilities, but all are designed to clean out the bowel so the doctor has a clear view and can see small polyps. In general, restrictions involve consuming only clear fluids for 24 hours before the test, although some doctors ask patients to abstain from specific kinds of foods, such as nuts, for several days beforehand. You may also be told to stop taking certain medications before your appointment.

The day before, you'll be asked to take laxatives. The good news — at least in this reporter's experience — is that part has improved significantly, both in terms of quantities consumed and the amount of discomfort they

cause. You'll need to drink plenty of water to avoid dehydration.

The amount of anesthesia also varies. Most people prefer to sleep through the procedure, although a few opt to watch the scope on a screen. It takes from 30 to 60 minutes, plus a period of observation and recovery, after which you'll need someone to drive you home — and most facilities will not release patients to rideshare services like Uber or Lyft.

For the procedure, the doctor inserts a colonoscope — a thin tube with a lens and light — through the anus and expands the colon with air or carbon dioxide. They'll guide the scope through the colon while examining it for abnormalities.

If you have polyps, the doctor will remove them using an instrument inserted through the colonoscope and have them biopsied. Polyp removal is painless.

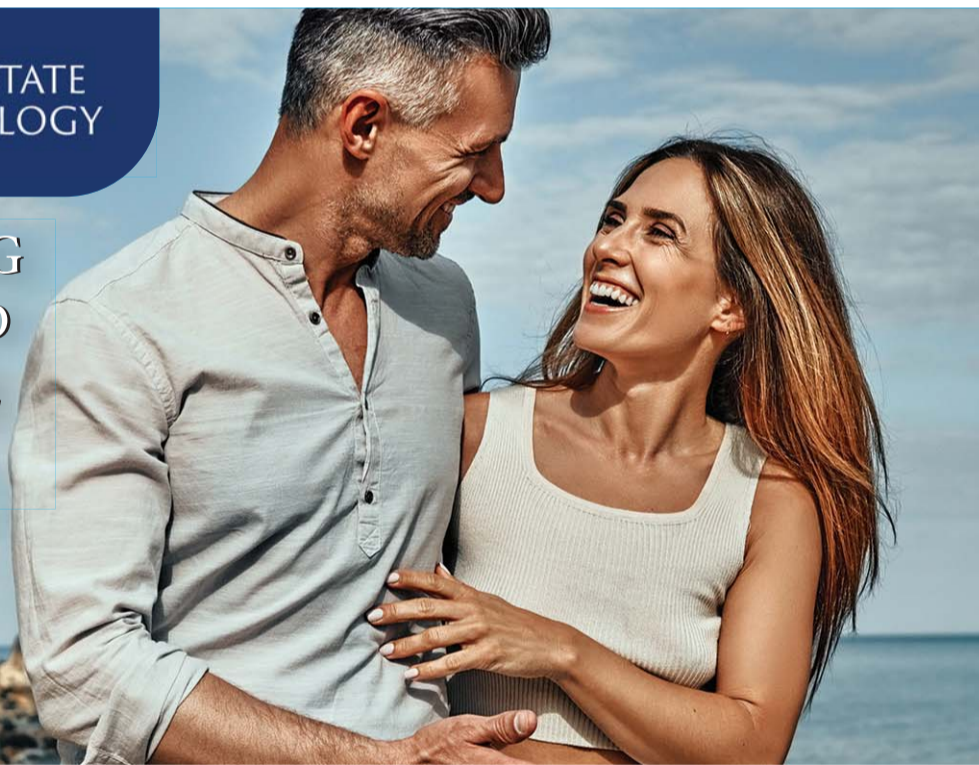
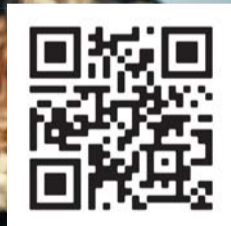
Once polyps are found, some insurers reclassify subsequent colonoscopies from preventive, or screening, to diagnostic, which can change how much of the cost is covered. If you've had polyps removed, make sure you ask about coverage before your next screening.

Although the New England Journal of Medicine published a European study in 2022 that cast doubt on whether colonoscopies save lives, subsequent articles roundly criticized its methodology, noting that more than half of the people who were scheduled for the preventive procedure failed to show up, skewing the results.

Complications are rare, but can include a reaction to the anesthesia and nicking or perforating the intestine. More frequently, patients have some discomfort in their bellies. Your doctor will go over the risks with you, and you'll be given discharge instructions telling you what to do if specific symptoms occur.



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PAIRING AN award-winning ensemble with a pianist who teaches at the Julliard School in New York City, Chamber Music Monterey Bay wraps up its 2022-23 season Saturday with a 7:30 p.m. concert at Sunset Center by **The Daedalus String Quartet** and **Soyeon Kate Lee**.

"The evening will be a feast for the ears," said Alcide Guillory of Chamber Music Monterey Bay.

The winner of the Banff International String Quartet Competition in 2001, the quartet includes violinists **Min-Young Kim** and **Matilda Kaul**, violist **Jessica Thompson** and cellist **Thomas Kraines**. Besides teaching at Julliard, Lee won First Prize at the Naumburg International Piano Competition in 2010.

The program includes William Grant Still's "Lyric Quartette: Musical Portraits of Three Friends," Béla Bartók's *String Quartet No. 6, BB 119* and Amy Beach's *Piano Quintet in F-sharp minor, Op. 67*. Lee will join the quartet on the final piece.

Musicologist **Ian Scarfe** presents a pre-concert talk at 6:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$25, with discounts available for music teachers, students and active military. Also, a lim-



I Cantori di Carmel (left) performs Mozart's final masterpiece, *Requiem in D Minor*, Saturday and Sunday at the Carmel Mission. A native of France, violinist Pauline Kempf (right) joins harpsichordist Derek Tam and cellist Michelle Djokic Thursday at the Sand Box in Sand City.



Chorus, **I Cantori di Carmel** performs Mozart's last masterpiece, his *Requiem in D Minor*, Saturday and Sunday at the Carmel Mission. Both concerts start at 8 p.m.

Music director **Daniel Hendriks** said he's thrilled to hear the choir present *Requiem*. About 50 singers will participate — including four soloists — along with 26 instrumentalists. Mozart died before the composition was completed, and it was finished by some of his students. Still, it is widely regarded as one of his greatest works.

"It's the last thing Mozart wrote," Hendriks told The Pine Cone. "It's one of the those hallmark pieces that's on the bucket list of every choral singer and classical musician. It's a celebration of life."

Hendriks is also looking forward to hearing the chorus perform at the mission, which is better known as a historical site than a music venue.

"This is the kind of music that was composed to be

played in a sacred place," he said of Mozart piece. "It's really inspiring to perform at the mission, and our audience really loves it. It's such an immersive experience."

The program also includes uplifting music by 20th century composers Maurice Durufle, Aaron Copland, Samuel Barber and Elliott Carter.

General admission tickets are \$40. The mission is located at 3080 Rio Road. For details, visit icantori.org.

Jazz birds add voices to jam

The last Sunday of the month means live jazz at the Embassy Suites in Seaside, where many of the Monterey Peninsula's top players gather to jam. The music starts at 1 p.m.

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On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

ited number of free tickets are available for kids if accompanied by an adult.

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MEarth Day, Stationary dinner, and a benefit for Point Lobos

FOR A quarter-century, the MEarth Habitat Project next to Carmel Middle School has helped kids of all ages learn about growing and preparing food, caring for the environment, and other critical lessons of art and science as its grounds and programs have expanded over the years. On April 29, a week after Earth Day, the project will host MEarth Day, with exhibitors and vendors, small plates made with local and garden-fresh foods, a live auction, music, cultural performances, a native plant sale and activities for kids, and everyone is invited.

The event celebrates a project that was the brainchild of former CMS principal (now Carmel Unified School District board member) Karl Palastrini and then-teacher Craig Hohenberger, who in 1995 proposed setting up a native habitat on district property that had been an abandoned Christmas tree farm.

With a master plan from Bud Whisler and the Carmel-by-the-Sea Garden Club, the habitat was laid out over 10 acres and

developed with a greenhouse, bird-banding lab and other basics in its first few years. Its stewards and volunteers started work on their now-expansive organic garden in 2001, later adding a wood-fired pizza oven, a native bee garden, and a pond built with a grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Don't stop growing

With help from Casanova and La Bicyclette restaurants, among others,

Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

kids began learning how to grow, harvest and cook their food, and the habitat team worked with Carmel Unified and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Monterey County to add more academic experiences, including those focusing on the sciences, and the staff came up with more ways to get college kids and adults involved, too.

MEarth subsequently separated from CUSD and became an independent nonprofit in 2008 before going on to open a LEED-certified building with a full teaching kitchen in March 2012 to facilitate lessons and labs for students and host fundraising chef's dinners to draw adults.

Now, the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District sends kids to take part in programs at the habitat, too, and high-end chef demos are produced in partnership with the culinary team from the Post Ranch Inn in Big Sur. And while the habitat used to shut down when schools weren't in session, it now provides opportunities year-round.

All of that will be cele-

See **FOOD** page 46A



Hartnell College is hosting the annual Western Food Safety Conference at Sherwood Hall in Salinas again this year, with nearly 500 food industry representatives expected to attend.

The Best Corner in Carmel



I recently visited Bruno's Market and had a great experience. The deli counter is in the back of the store with a large menu of delicious sandwiches. The staff was very friendly and helpful in helping me decide what I wanted. The wait time from ordering my sandwich to it being ready was only about 5 minutes, even on a Saturday afternoon. The sandwich was delicious and I would definitely recommend it to anyone looking for a casual spot to grab some grub in Carmel.

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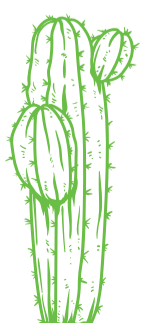


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brated during MEarth Day, which will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Some of the vendors and food purveyors set to participate include Captain + Stoker Coffee Roasters, Julia's Vegetarian Restaurant, Taevada Bake Shop, Happy Girl Kitchen, Palermo's Bakery, Revival Ice Cream, Bigoli Pasta, Carmel Berry Co. and Earthbound Farm.

MEarth Day is free to attend. The habitat is located at 4380 Carmel Valley Road. Find more information at mearthcarmel.org.

Stationaery brings back dinner

Anthony and Alissa Carnazzo, owners of Stationaery restaurant on San Carlos north of Sixth, announced they are bringing back dinner service Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights starting May 4, with plans to add Tuesdays and Wednesdays this summer.



The couple said chef Amalia Scatena and her culinary team plan to change the menu weekly "in line with our commitment to source the best in local and seasonal ingredients," but that it will always include the cheeseburger and the farmer's salad "for our creatures of habit."

"Our goal is to offer you an inspired menu while maintaining our approachable style," they said.

The Carnazzos observed that since they opened five years ago, they've changed their model several times to meet customer demands and survive the pandemic, among other challenges. "Now we are getting back to the place we always wanted to be: breakfast, lunch and dinner. Steady and sure, evolving and consistent, all at the same time. Your favorite neighborhood restaurant."

The menu hasn't been released yet, but more information can be found and reservations may be made at thestationaery.com.

Serious food discussion

The Hartnell College Foundation will host the Annual Western Food Safety Conference again this year at Sherwood Hall on North Main Street in Salinas. The conference, which will focus on "Food Safety: The State of the Industry," will run May 3-4, when "nearly 500 people with a professional stake in the safety of fresh fruits and vegetables consumed worldwide" will gather for presentations, dialogue and education.

The latest research, information on produce safety, and regulatory developments will be presented and discussed

by industry-leading scientists, executives and professionals. Speakers and panelists include experts in water quality, data science, sustainable agriculture, and state and federal regulations.

Keynote speakers will be attorney Bill Marler, a national expert in food safety, on May 3 and California Department of Food and Agriculture Secretary Karen Ross the following day.

College students are invited to attend the conference alongside industry executives and managers in growing, shipping, processing and cooling, food safety, quality assurance, contract labor, communications and auditing.

Registration fees and sponsors in 2022 helped raise \$15,000 for scholarships for Hartnell College ag students, adding to more than \$100,000 previously raised at the conferences.

Registration and sponsorship opportunities can be found at thewesternfoodsafetyconference.com.

Dinner for Point Lobos

Folktale Winery in Carmel Valley will host a fundraising dinner in its Wine Garden May 10 from 6 to 9 p.m. to support the nonprofit Point Lobos Foundation, which "is driven to protect and nurture, while educating and inspiring visitors to preserve its unique natural and cultural resources."

The foundation is the sole source of funding for the

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A May 10 benefit for the Point Lobos Foundation will be held at Folktale Winery to support the "crown jewel of the California State Park system," where trails were damaged in this year's storms.

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model volunteer program that protects the reserve's environment and historical integrity through work on trails, facilities and vegetation, and it "continuously strives to improve programs and services for approximately 1 million visitors each year."

For the event, executive chef Justin Robarge plans to lay out "specially curated buffet-style dishes," such as grilled farmers market vegetables, local rock cod ceviche, artisanal sausages with sauces, and a variety of sweets, all complemented by Folktale wines. The evening will also include a presentation by the foundation and live music.

Tickets are \$75 per person and can be purchased at exploretock.com/folktalewinery. The winery is located at 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

■ Al & Marv & Friends

Restaurateur and barbecue specialist Marvin Green of Marv's Barbecue will be back serving alongside Al Siekert for Al & Friends' free Sunday brunch in Windows on the Bay Park in Monterey May 7 from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Green will bring "a new and special pulled pork sandwich and country-style baked beans" this time around. Last summer, Marv's Barbecue prepared and served brisket and grilled veggies, which were a hit.

The May 7 breakfast will also include coleslaw, pickled onions, and dessert prepared by an Al & Friends volunteer, and it's open to anyone who's looking for a meal.

Siekert started serving Sunday breakfasts in the park near the beach in Monterey a dozen years ago to help individuals and families in need, and said he and his volunteers usually feed between 75 and 90 people, "so on May 7, we are offering this distinctive brunch-style breakfast to anyone and everyone — no questions asked."

He also thanked Green for the help and noted that day's brunch will be "a great way to diversify our Sunday morning fare."

Sponsors supporting Siekert's efforts include the cities of Pacific Grove and Monterey, the Pacific Grove Police Officers Association, CHOMP, The Monterey Foundation, Elroy's Fine Foods, KMBY Radio, Lusamerica Foods and the Monterey Bay Fisheries Trust, Old Fisherman's Grotto, Pacific Grove Market, Bombas Socks and Hanes-brands Clothing, among others.

For more information, visit alandfriends.org and find Marv's Barbecue on Instagram.

■ New Sea Root offerings

Sea Root, the restaurant in the Hyatt Regency Monterey, is introducing new spring-inspired dishes and spir-

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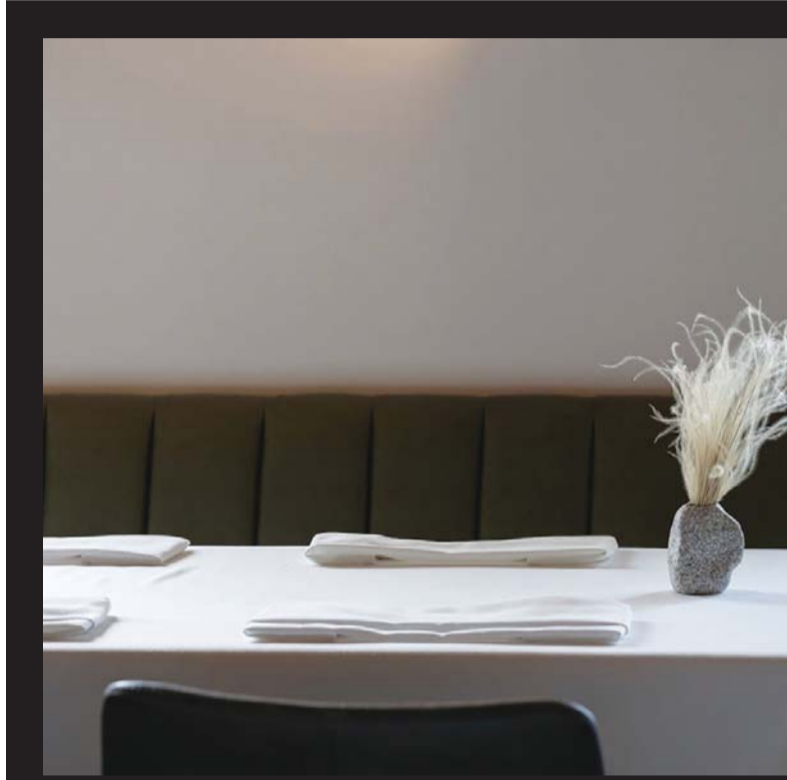
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it-free drinks for those who don't consume hard alcohol or want to cut back on their imbibing.

Among the new starters are crab and tomato gazpacho

with sweet corn, cucumber and puff pastry, the Sea Root Insalata (Tomme, carrot, cucumber, frisée, sweet pepper, upland cress and mustard frill with strawberry vinaigrette), and eggplant and cauliflower caponata.

Entrée additions include seared scallop sofrito with peppers, onion, tomato, garlic and polenta, and pan-seared Pacific halibut with vegetables, green olives and lemon beurre blanc.

Tapping into the no/low-ABV trend, the bar is debuting two spirit-free drinks: the POG Punch (that stands for passionfruit, orange and guava) with lemon and bubbles, and the Shark Bite with house-made ginger syrup, lime, bubbles and Luxardo cherry syrup.

The restaurant is located in the hotel at 1 Old Golf Course Road in Monterey and is open nightly from 5 p.m. To reserve, call (831) 657-6588.

■ Culinary Week kick-off

Carmel-by-the-Sea Culinary Week, this year being held in June rather than its former wintertime slot, will include "An Evening with Ted Allen," the Emmy Award-winning host of long-running hit shows "Chopped" and "Chopped Junior," June 8 at 7:30 p.m. in collaboration with Sunset Presents, and tickets are on sale now.

The evening will feature "an intimate moderated discussion and Q&A" with Allen, a James Beard Award winner whose programs have nearly 1,000 episodes so far, making "Chopped" one of the Food Network's most successful projects. He's also held other entertainment jobs and has written cookbooks, wrote for Esquire and other publications, and offered wine education for Robert Mondavi at food festivals.

Today, Allen serves as a spokesperson for Dining Out

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Al & Friends' free Sunday brunch at Windows on the Bay Park will see the return of barbecue expert and restaurateur Marvin Green (Marv's Barbecue) starting May 7.

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The musicians include **The Jazz Birds**, which features singers **Gail Cruse**, **Vickie Neville Coffis** and **Cher Peterson**, saxophonist **Jim Stainton**, bassist **Dennis Murphy** and drummer **Andy Weis**.

Co-host and drummer **Jim Vanderzwaan** described the musical gathering as a “very special day to be a part of,” and he’s hoping to expand the lineup. “Pros are invited and welcome to participate,” Vanderzwaan said.

The Embassy Suites is located at 1441 Canyon Del Rey Blvd.

■ Cherry Trio plays Sunday

The **Cherry Trio** performs Italian and Spanish music from the 17th century Sunday at its namesake, the Carmel Cherry Center for the Arts. The music starts at 3 p.m.

Featuring **Elizabeth Gaver** on violin, **Penny Hann** on viola da gamba and **Michael Peterson** harpsichord, the trio will be joined by **Francis Toldi** on the dulcian, a woodwind instrument from the 16th and 17th centuries that was the predecessor of the bassoon. The program includes music from Italian and Spanish composers

of the 17th century.

The center is located at Fourth and Guadalupe. Tickets are \$25. Call (831) 624-7491.

■ Baroque series debuts

A new series of concerts, “The Gutsy Plucky Players,” that debuts Thursday at the Sand Box in Sand City celebrates the music of the Baroque era. The concert begins at 7 p.m.

“**Derek Tam**, the director of the San Francisco Early Music Society, brings his plucky harpsichord to the Sand Box for a program featuring works of Corelli, Vivaldi, Leonarda, and many other rock stars of the era,” announced Sand Box founder and cellist **Michele Djokic**, who will also play, along with violinist **Pauline Kempf**.

Tickets are \$35. The Sand Box is located at 440 Ortiz Ave. sandboxsandcity.com

■ Live music April 28-May 4

Bernardus Lodge & Spa in Carmel Valley — pianist **Michael Culver** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Casey Wickstrom** (rock and blues, Saturday at noon), pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **John Sherry** (folk, rock and blues,

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The Daedalus String Quartet performs Saturday at Sunset Center in the final concert of the year for Chamber Music Monterey Bay. Pianist Soyeon Kate Lee accompanies the quartet.

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Big Sur River Inn — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** ('60s music, Saturday at 12:30 p.m.). 46800 Highway 1.

Bon Ton L'Roy's Lighthouse Smokehouse in Monterey — **The Knotty Gs** (Americana, Saturday at 7 p.m.). 794 Lighthouse Ave.

Cibo restaurant in Monterey — **The Dave Holodiloff Duo** (bluegrass and jazz, Sunday at 7 p.m.), singers **Lee Durley** and **Scotty Wright** (jazz, Tuesday at 7 p.m.), singer **Miranda Perl** and guitarist **Adam Astrup** (jazz and swing, Wednesday at 7 p.m.). 301 Alvarado St.

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

De Tierra Vineyards tasting room — singer and guitarist **Freshour** (Sunday at 3 p.m.). Mission and Fifth.

Deja Blue in Seaside — singer **Minor Williams** and others (r&b and funk, Saturday at 3 p.m.), singer **Wanda Diamond**, keyboardist **Michael Robinson**, drummer **Leon Joyce Jr.**, and others (r&b, Sunday at 3 p.m.). 500 Broadway.

Folktales Winery in Carmel Valley — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Meredith McHenry** (Friday at 4 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Asher Stern** (Saturday at 2 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Chris Jones** (Sunday at 2 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

Gusto Pasta and Pizza in Seaside — singer and

multi-instrumentalist **Chuck Brewer** and guitarist **Ernie Buck** (rock and blues, Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). 1901 Fremont Blvd.

The Henry Miller Library in Big Sur — singer and guitarist **Darryl Purpose** (Saturday at 7 p.m.) and Open Mic Night (Thursday at 5 p.m.). 48603 Highway 1.

Hyatt Carmel Highlands — singer and pianist **Dino Vera** (jazz, blues and r&b, Saturday at 8 p.m. and Thursday at 7 p.m.). 120 Highlands Drive.

The Inn at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach — **The Andy Weis Band** with pianist **Bill Spencer** and bassist **Pete Lips** (jazz, Friday at 7 p.m.), **The Andy Weis Band** with pianist **Gary Meek** and bassist **Dan Robbins** (jazz, Saturday at 7 p.m.), **The Andy Weis Band** with pianist **Gary Meek** and bassist **Steve Uccello** (jazz, Thursday at 7 p.m.). 2700 17 Mile Drive.

Intercontinental Hotel in Monterey — guitarist **John Sherry** (folk, rock and blues, Friday and Saturday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **Terrence Ferrell** (Latin music, Sunday at 9 a.m.). 750 Cannery Row.

La Playa Hotel — **The David Morwood Band** (jazz, Friday and Saturday at 6 p.m., Sunday at 4 p.m.). Bud's Bar, Camino Real and Eighth.

The Links Club — **Moondance** (pop and rock, Friday at 7 p.m.), Open Mic Night (Tuesday at 7 p.m.). Carmel Plaza, Mission and Ocean.

The Lodge at Pebble Beach — singer and pianist **John Harris** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Meredith McHenry** (Saturday at 6 p.m.). In the Terrace Lounge at 1700 17 Mile Drive.

Lucy's on Lighthouse in Pacific Grove — singer and guitarist **Jim Fucillo** (rock, Saturday at 2 p.m.), **Evergreen** featuring singer **Lisa Marie** and singer and guitarist



Backed by a trio of musicians, singer Wanda Diamond performs Sunday at Deja Blue in Seaside. The music starts at 3 p.m.

Scott Slaughter (pop and rock, Sunday at 2 p.m.). 1120 Lighthouse Ave.

Massa Tasting Room in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** ('60s folk, Sunday at noon). 69 W. Carmel Valley Road.

Midici Pizza in Monterey — singer **Janice Perl** and keyboardist **Jon Dryden** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.), singer **Julie Capili** and keyboardist **Bill Spencer** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St.

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Singer and guitarist Darryl Purpose takes the stage Saturday at the Henry Miller Library in Big Sur.

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Puma Road at Portola Plaza in Monterey — singer and guitarist **Sherita Perez** (Friday at 5 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kris Angelis** (Saturday at 5 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Matt Masih** (Sunday at 5 p.m.). 281 Alvarado St.

Rio Grill — singer and guitarist **Dan Cortes** (Friday at 5 p.m.), singer and gui-

tarist **Scott Slaughter** (Saturday at noon), singer and guitarist **Kevin Pfeffer** (Sunday at noon). Crossroads shopping center.

The Sardine Factory in Monterey — singer and multi-instrumentalist **David Conley** (pop and rock, Friday and Saturday, Tuesday through Thursday at 7:30 p.m.). 701 Wave St.

Salty Seal Pub in Monterey — **Mixtape** (pop and rock, Friday at 8 p.m.), **The Transducers** (rock and funk, Saturday at 8 p.m.), **The Backbeats** (reggae, Sunday at 4 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kyle Kovalik** (Thursday at 6 p.m.). 653 Cannery Row.

Sly McFly's in Monterey — **Mad About You** (pop and rock, Friday at 9 p.m.), **The Joint Chiefs** (r&b and funk, Saturday at 9 p.m.), **Rhythm Tribe West** (rock, Sunday at 9 p.m.), **The Long Distance Flyers** (classic rock, Monday at 9 p.m.), **Victory Lane** (classic rock, Tuesday at 9 p.m.), **Johnny Tsunami** (rock, Wednesday at 9 p.m.), **DC Trio** (r&b and funk, Thursday at 9 p.m.). 700 Cannery Row.

Tarpy's in Monterey — **Andrea's Fault Duo** (jazz and blues, Friday at 5 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Casey Frazier** (Saturday at noon), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Meredith McHenry** (Sunday at noon). 2999 Highway 68.

Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Greg Freeman** and singer **Wendy Lyn** (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Lindsay Beery** (pop and soul, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place.

Wild Fish restaurant in Pacific Grove — **The Lighthouse Jazz Quartet** with pianist **Bob Phillips**, saxophonist **Paul Contos**, bassist **Zach Westfall** and drummer **Mike Shannon** (Friday, and Saturday at 6:30 p.m.). 545 Lighthouse Ave.

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CALENDAR

April 29 – Monterey State Historic Park Spring Gathering, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Memory Garden, Pacific House, Monterey State Historic Park. Open to the public, free event, mingle in the garden learn about volunteer opportunities in the state park, education programs and the restoration efforts of California's First Theater

May 1 – "The Great Variety of Orchids That Can Grow Outdoors in Our Area," presented 7 p.m. The Carmel Orchid Society welcomes guest speaker Deric Wenzler. Meeting held at the Pebble Beach Community Services building next to the PB Fire Station at 3101 Forest Lake Road. Free event. Guests welcome! Plant table.

May 5 – Vivat Regina! Music from the Time of Elizabeth I, Madregalia! & Pastyme Consort, 7:30 p.m. at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 800 Cass St, Monterey. Suggested donation \$25. Students free. www.pastymemusic.com

May 7 – Tor House Foundation's Annual Garden Party, 2-5 p.m. at 26304 Ocean View Avenue, Carmel, 93923. \$25. Visit the home of poet Robinson Jeffers. Climb Hawk Tower. Enjoy delectables in the garden. Listen to bagpipes, piano, fiddle. Photograph to your heart's content. Masks required indoors. Visit: torhouse.org.

May 7 – Scottish Supergroup Old Blind Dogs, 3 p.m. at St. Mary's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church, Pacific Grove. Advance tickets \$30, door \$35. Purchase at www.celticsociety.org, kids' prices available. For info call or text (831) 224-3819.

May 13 – Congregation Beth Israel presents the award-winning documentary "We Are All In This Together" by Pacific Grove native and cyclist Daniel Troia, who will stay for a Q&A after the 7 p.m. screening. His film movingly embraces human connection, proving that more unites us than separates us, and allows us to share some of Daniel's amazing experiences on the road. Suggested donation: \$10. All proceeds to Gathering for Women. CBI is at 5716 Carmel Valley Road – parking is free.



May 15 – Mother's Day Buffet and Festivities, 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa. \$110 adults, \$49 children ages 6-13, free for children under 6. Celebrate those special mothers in your life while enjoying stunning Monterey Bay views, a beautiful buffet, and fun family friendly activities. To learn more: <https://montereyplazahotel.com/dining/mothers-day-buffet>.

May 18 – Bridging Animals to People Class, 9 a.m. to 6 pm. at the Center for Spiritual Awakening, 522 Central Ave., Pacific Grove. This in-person day-long class provides solid tools to help clear, balance and increase the energetic frequency of the client, increasing personal healing and enhancing wellness. Text or call (831) 402-5330 or register at HealingTouchforAnimals.com



May 19-21 – Healing Touch for Animals Level 1 Class. This class is for anyone who is interested in improving the lives of their animals through energy therapy. Class locations are the Center for Spiritual Awakening (522 Central Avenue, Pacific Grove, 19-20 May) and Sea Star Horse Sanctuary (53 Riley Ranch Road, Carmel - 21 May). Friday class: 2-6 p.m.; 20-21 May: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Text or call (831) 402-5330 or register at HealingTouchforAnimals.com



May 21 – Alasdair Fraser and The San Francisco Scottish Fiddlers, 3 p.m. at Carmel High School Performing Arts Center, 27990 N. Doris Watson Place, Carmel-by-the-Sea. Tickets available soon at www.sffiddles.org

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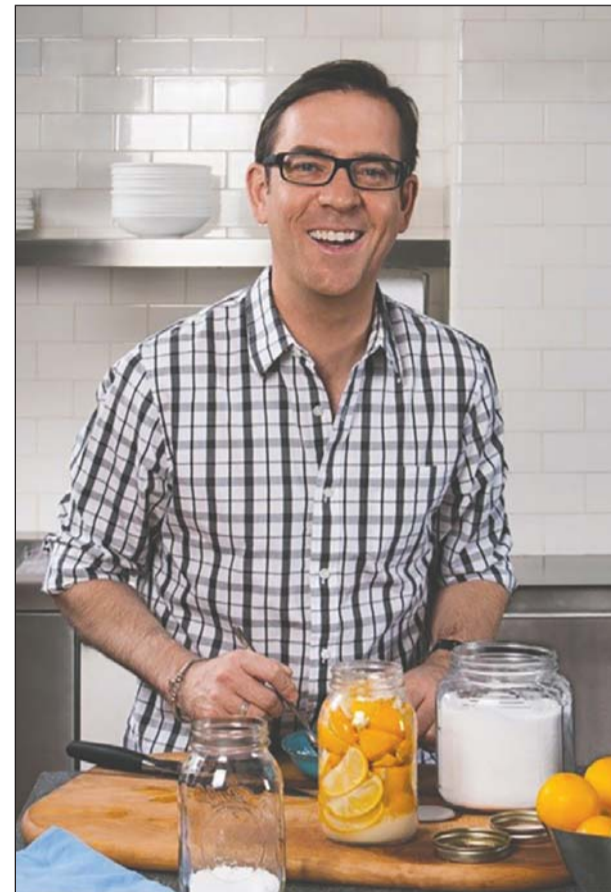
CULINARY

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for Life, an annual national effort that raises about \$4 million annually for HIV/AIDS service groups through restaurants donating portions of their proceeds. He also supports and has served on the boards of numerous other charities.

Allen holds a master's in journalism from New York University, with an advanced certificate in the school's science and environmental reporting program, and a bachelor's in psychology from Purdue University. He lives in Brooklyn with husband Barry Rice.

Tickets run from \$55 to \$85 and can be ordered online at sunsetcenter.org, by phone at (831) 620-2048 or at the box office Monday through Friday from noon to 4 p.m.



Ted Allen, best known as host of Food Network's "Chopped," will kick off Carmel's Culinary Week on June 8 at Sunset Center.

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Painter fixes gaze on details and breathes new life into still lifes

IN A show of still life paintings opening Friday at Chris Winfield Gallery, Pamela Carroll takes a long, hard look at her subject: fruit and vegetables.

"She stares at them until they rot," Winfield told The Pine Cone. "She's digging into every little detail to make them really come alive. She captures things in a way that

Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

gives them a magic realism — her details are amazing." A member of the Carmel Art Association, Carroll is inspired by "the early Dutch and Spanish masters," and focuses her work on "showcasing the beauty and inherent truth in everyday objects."

The show continues through May 28. The gallery, which hosts a reception for Carroll May 14 at 3 p.m., is located on Dolores between Ocean and Seventh.

■ 'Explorations' opens at museum

Opening this week at the Monterey Museum of Art is a show by a photographer Martha Casanave, who pushes the boundaries of her medium by employing one of its earliest techniques.

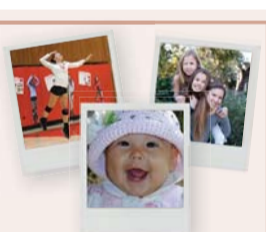
The winner of the prestigious Imogen Cunningham Photography Award in 1979, Casanave explores pinhole photography in her latest show. The technique pre-dates the Civil War.

"Its allure is its very simplicity: a box with a tiny hole creating an image," Casanave explained. "No lens, no

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Publication date: April 28 & May 5, 2023 (PC434)



PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **Planning Commission of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a Public Hearing on Wednesday, May 10, 2023 at 4:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible. Immediately**

prior to the Public Hearing, the Commission will visit some or all of the project sites in person as part of a Tour of Inspection. Interested members of the public are invited to attend both the Tour and the Hearing.

This meeting will be held via teleconference and in person in the City Council Chambers at City Hall located on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues. Mask requirements for this meeting will be posted on the agenda no later than 72 hours before the meeting at this link: <https://ci.carmel.ca.us/meetings>. **To participate via teleconference, use this link:** <https://ci-carmel-ca-us.zoom.us/j/85318916129?pwd=QVTVEROZ-VRVend2R3daNFo3ZW9pCQ09>. **To participate via phone, dial +1 305-224-1968.** Meeting ID: 8531 8916 129. Passcode: 669288.

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

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

DS 23-022 (Bellasis)
Adam Jeselnick, Architect
4th Avenue 2 Northeast of Lobos Street
Block 1B, Lot 2
APN 010-013-004

Consideration of a Concept Design Study for a 716-square-foot addition to an existing one-story single-family residence including a new 509-square-foot second story located at 4th Avenue 2 northeast of Lobos Street in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) Zoning District.

DS 22-184 (Althoff)
Craig Holdren, Architect
Northeast Corner of Scenic Road and 12th Avenue
Block A4, Lot 11
APN 010-291-007

Consideration of a Preliminary Review of a substantial alteration of an existing single-family residence located at the northeast corner of Scenic Road and 12th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) Zoning District, Beach and Riparian (BR) Overlay, and Park (P) Overlay.

DS 22-279 (Garren)
Glenn Warner, Architect
Pine Ridge Way 3 Northeast of Forest Avenue Block 3, Lot 7
APN 009-202-020

Consideration of a Concept Design Study for the demolition of an existing 1,195-square-foot, one-story single-family residence with a 517-square-foot attached garage and construction of a new two-story approximately 2,582-square-foot residence with an approximately 440-square-foot attached garage located at Pine Ridge Way 3 northeast of Forest Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) Zoning District.

DS 22-191 (Nute)
Lewis Builders
Northwest Corner of Carpenter Street and 4th Avenue
Block 41, Lot 19
APN 010-023-008

Consideration of a revised Concept Design Study application for the demolition of more than 50 percent of the exterior walls of a 1,109-square-foot single-story residence and 252-square-foot detached garage and construction of a new 1,597-square-foot two-story residence with 200-square-foot attached garage located at the northwest corner of Carpenter Street and 4th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential Zoning (R-1) District.

DS 22-395 (McLeod-Lot 3)
Thomas Bateman Hood, Architect
Casanova Street 9 Northwest of Ocean Avenue Block FF, Lot 23
APN 010-251-038

Consideration of a combined Concept and Final Design Study application, DS 22-395 (McLeod-Lot 3), and associated Coastal Development Permit for additions totaling 301 square feet and other exterior modifications to a previously approved but yet to be constructed 1,539-square-foot, two-story residence inclusive of a detached garage (DS 19-207, McLeod-Lot 3) located on Casanova Street 9 northwest of Ocean Avenue in the Single-Family Residential Zoning (R-1) District.

Capital Improvement Plan
Location: Citywide

Consideration of the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for consistency with the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea General Plan.

City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
Brandon Swanson, Director of Community Planning & Building

Publication Dates: April 28, 2023. (PC 438)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230750
Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **PEAK PERFORMANCE MASSAGE, 2511 Garden Rd., Bldg. C, Ste. 275, Monterey, CA 93940.** Registered Owner(s): CEDRIC ARTHUR JOHNSON, 13910 Monte Del Oro, Castroville, CA 95012. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 1, 2023.

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/ Cedric Johnson
Date signed: April 14, 2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 14, 2023.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: April 28; May 5, 12, 19, 2023 (PC 429)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230653
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Digital Assit Group, 16082 Darcie Ln, Salinas, CA 93908,** County of Monterey. Registered Owner(s): Digital Memorabilia Group LLC, 16082 Darcie Ln, Salinas, CA 93908. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable S/ Phillip Roberson, Managing Member. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/03/2023
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Publication Dates: April 28; May 5, 12, 19, 2023. (PC 430)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230464
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **S2 DISTRIBUTORS, 435 Harcourt Avenue, Seaside, CA 93955.** Mailing address: 1130 Fremont Blvd., Ste. 105, PMB 306, Seaside, CA 93955. Registered Owner(s): SHIRLEY SOBERON SPALLETTA, 435 Harcourt Avenue, Seaside, CA 93955. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on September 1, 1999.
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S/Shirley Soberon Spalletta
Date signed: March 7, 2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 7, 2023.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: April 14, 21, 28; May 5, 12, 2023 (PC 431)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230713
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Digital Collectible Group, 16082 Darcie Ln, Salinas, CA 93908,** County of Monterey. Registered Owner(s): Digital Memorabilia Group LLC, 16082 Darcie Ln, Salinas, CA 93908. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable S/ Phillip Roberson, Managing Member. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/12/2023
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Publication Dates: April 28; May 5, 12, 19, 2023. (PC 432)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 23CV001237
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, MARGARITA ZOLOTOVA, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. Present name: MARGARITA ZOLOTOVA
Proposed name: MARGARITA ZOLOTOVA FRANKLIN
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause

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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: June 2, 2023
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
DEPT: 14
The address of the court is 1200 Agujero Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.

(s) Carrie M. Panetta
Judge of the Superior Court
Date: April 24, 2023
Date filed by Superior Court of California, County of Monterey on April 21, 2023
Publication Dates: April 28; May 5, 12, 19, 2023. (PC 433)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230802
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Flavors of the Bay, 1674 Luzern Street, Seaside, CA. 93955.** County of Monterey. Registered Owner(s): Roberto Antonio Moore III, 1674 Luzern Street, Seaside, CA. 93955. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable S/ Roberto Moore III. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/24/2023

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Publication Dates: April 28; May 5, 12, 19, 2023. (PC 435)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230806
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Woody's at Del Mesa, Woody's of Del Mesa, 1500 Del Mesa, Carmel, Ca. 93923, 200 Fred Kane Dr., Monterey Ca. 93940.** County of Monterey. Registered Owner(s): Woody's At The Airport, 200 Fred Kane Dr., Monterey, CA. 93940. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable S/ Tomothy M. Wood. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/24/2023
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T.S. No.: 20-4681 Loan No.: **8936**8936 APN: 011-313-014-000
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PUBLIC NOTICES



**CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA
2023 Board & Commission Vacancies**

The City of Carmel-by-the-Sea is soliciting applications to fill eight (8) pending vacancies on City Boards & Commissions.

HARRISON MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES: Three (3) vacancies

The Harrison Memorial Library Board of Trustees consists of five members. At least three Board members must reside in the City, and no more than two members may reside in the City's adopted Sphere of Influence. All members of the Harrison Memorial Library Board of Trustees must have a current Harrison Memorial Library patron card. Due to the current make-up of this Board, the applicants must reside in the City. Applicants should be interested and knowledgeable about library services. The Board meets monthly on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 9:00 a.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber. Term length of Board Members is three (3) years.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND CULTURAL COMMISSION: Three (3) vacancies

The Community Activities and Cultural Commission consists of five members. A two-thirds majority of the members of the Community Activities Commission shall be residents of the City, and the remainder may be residents of the City's sphere of influence. Due to the current make-up of this Board, the applicant may reside in the City or the City's Sphere of Influence. An equitable division of the membership shall be representative of persons who have an interest in, or familiarity with, the creative or performing arts and those who have an interest in, or familiarity with, the City's park and recreational programs and in the various City park facilities. The Commission meets monthly on the second Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber. Term length for Commissioners is four (4) years.

PLANNING COMMISSION: One (1) vacancy

The Planning Commission consists of five members. All members of the Planning Commission shall be residents and electors of the City and have particular interest in, and familiarity with, planning matters. The Commission meets monthly on the second Wednesday of each month beginning at 2:00 p.m. to conduct a tour of inspection and at 4:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber for the regular meeting. Term length for Commissioners is four (4) years.

BUILDING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS: One (1) vacancy

The Building Code Board of Appeals consists of five core members, and two disabled access members, with disabled access members attending the Board of Appeals meeting only for appeals that relate to access to public accommodations by physically disabled persons. The five core members shall be qualified as follows: one architect or one licensed engineer, one general contractor, one member with expertise in fire protection systems, one member with expertise in fire prevention, and one other who may have expertise in the construction or building field or who may be a layperson. At least four members of the Board shall be residents of the City and/or its sphere of influence. The Commission meets at least once annually, and at other times as necessary to hear appeals filed with the City in accordance with the Municipal Code in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Applications can be found on the City's website at <https://ci.carmel.ca.us/boards-and-commissions> or obtained at City Hall, on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea. Contact the City Clerk, Nova Romero at cityclerk@ci.carmel.ca.us or at 831-620-2016 with any questions.

Applications will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 5, 2023 – you may mail or drop off your application at Carmel City Hall. Mailing address: Carmel City Hall, Attention: Nova Romero P.O. Box CC, Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921, or you may email your application to Nova Romero at cityclerk@ci.carmel.ca.us. Applicants will be interviewed by the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem, who will make recommendations to the City Council. Interviews dates are to be determined. The City Council will ratify appointments at the soonest possible Council Meeting following the interviews.

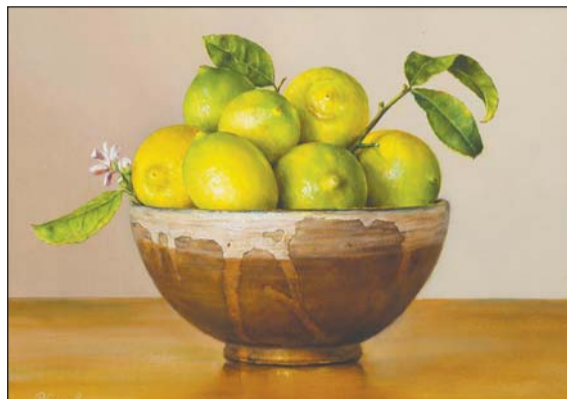
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ART

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viewfinder, no shutter. It is a purely optical phenomenon, unadorned by modern technology.”

The display, titled “Explorations,” continues through Aug. 20. The museum is located at 559 Pacific St.



A painter with an intense focus on realism, Pamela Carroll has a new show on display at Winfield Gallery.

■ Pop-up show set for Friday

A pair of artists, painter Amanda Burkman and sculptor Yves Goyatton, share their creations Friday from 5 to 9 p.m. during a pop-up show in The Barnyard shopping center’s Community Shared Space room.

Burkman’s “recycled paint chip mosaics” include figuratives, abstracts, landscapes and portraits. A native of France and a member of the Carmel Art Association, Goyatton finds inspiration in architectural shapes and their juxtaposition with the human form.

The room (H23) is located in the shopping center’s Sierra Barn. The shopping center is located at 3663 The Barnyard.

■ ‘By artists’ & ‘for artists’

A local group founded five decades ago “by artists” and “for artists,” the Monterey Peninsula Art Foundation presents an All-Member Exhibition in May and June at Seaside City Hall.

Titled “Creative Superbloom,” the show includes oil paintings, watercolors, pastels, photograph and sculpture by the group’s members.

The site of a reception set for May 12 at 7 p.m., Seaside City Hall is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Besides the display, the group has a gallery at 425 Cannery Row in Monterey.

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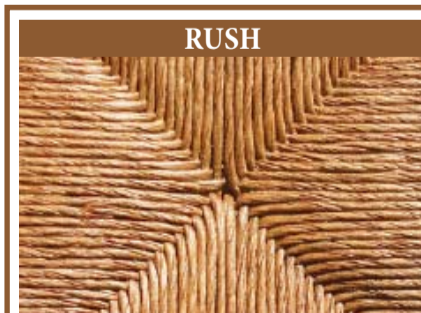
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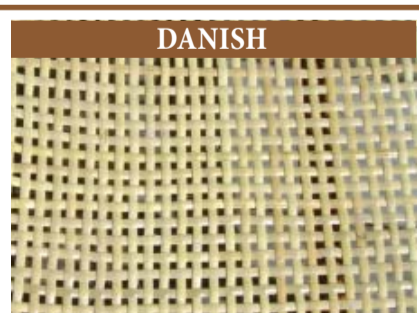
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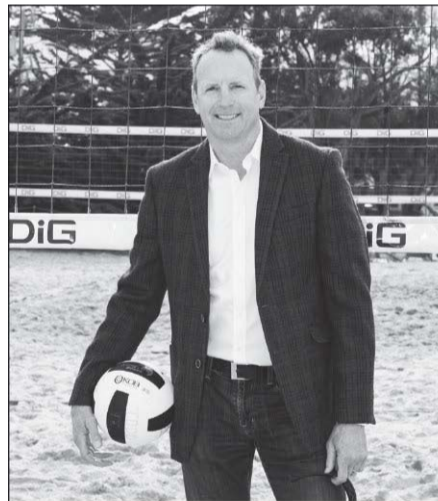


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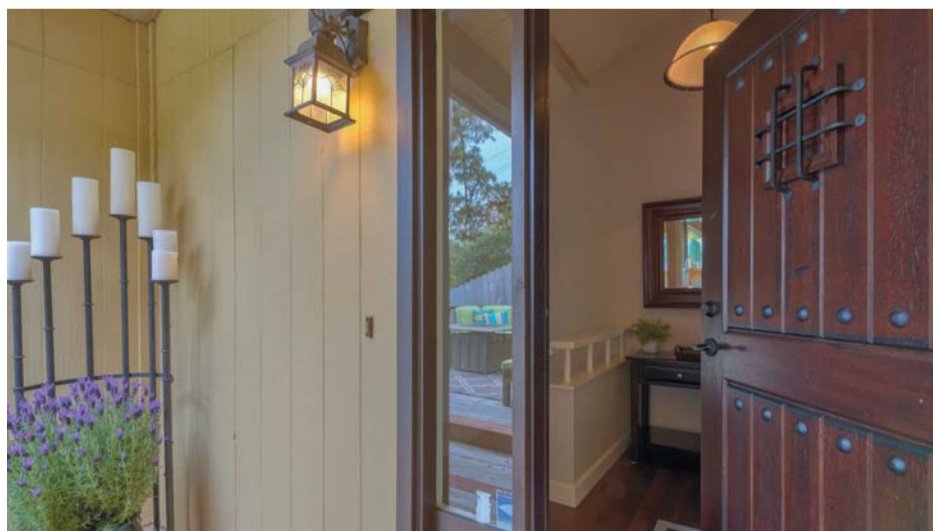
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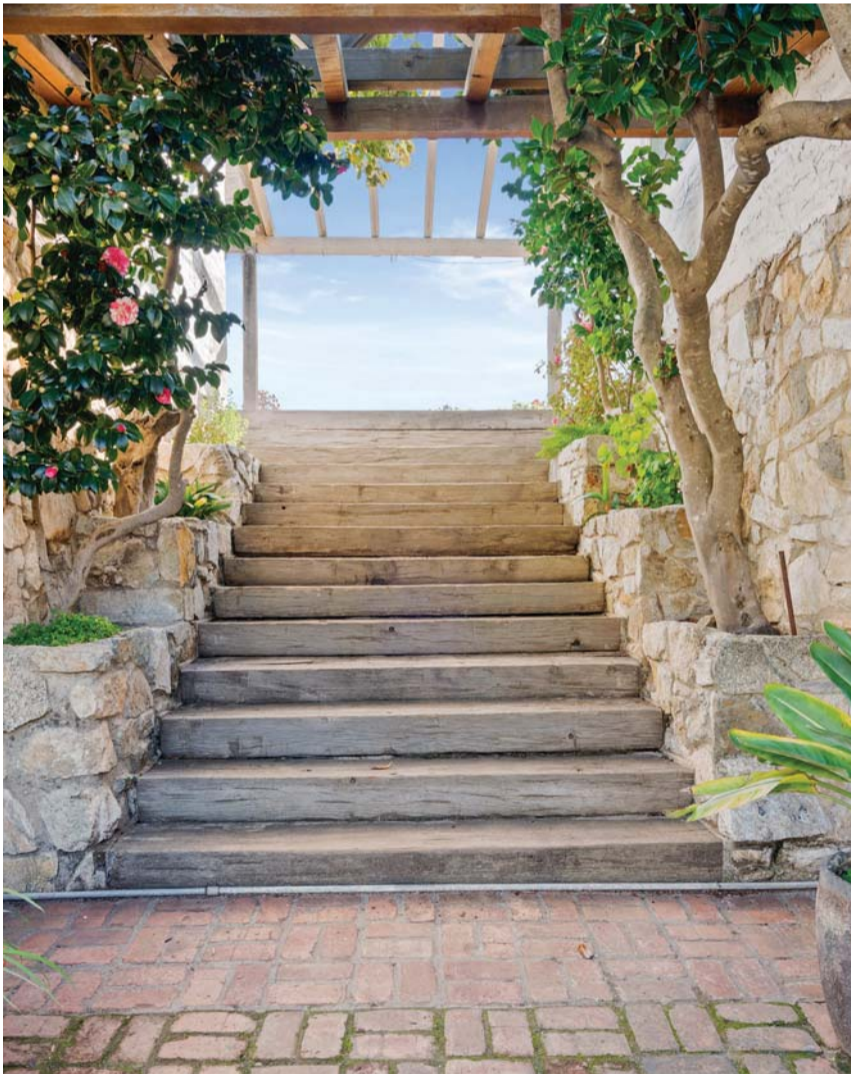
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POLICE LOG

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

Carmel area: Stewart Way resident reported suspicious activity on her laptop computer. This report is for informational purposes only.

Pebble Beach: A theft was reported on Paradise Park Road and is under investigation.

Big Sur: A battery was reported on Highway 1. A 31-year-old female was also issued a trespass admonishment.

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lost Trader Joe's tote bag reported at Scenic and Del Mar.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of battery on Junipero. No prosecution desired.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic stop at

Mountain View and Torres at 2303 hours resulted in a narcotics arrest of a 48-year-old female. Driver was cited and released.

Pacific Grove: A cell phone was found on Laurel between First and Second. Owner is not known, so the item will be held for safekeeping. Update: Owner came to pick it up.

Pacific Grove: Officers dispatched to 17 Mile Drive for a violation of a restraining order. A report was taken.

Carmel area: A 46-year-old male was arrested at the Crossroads shopping center for a parole and probation violation.

Carmel Valley: Business establishment on Carmel Valley Road wanted a 60-year-old male to be trespassed from the property.

Carmel Valley: Citizen on Hidden Hills Road requested a report for her credit card company for a lost or stolen card. Charges were initially reported to Salinas Police Department.

Pebble Beach: A male was issued a tres-

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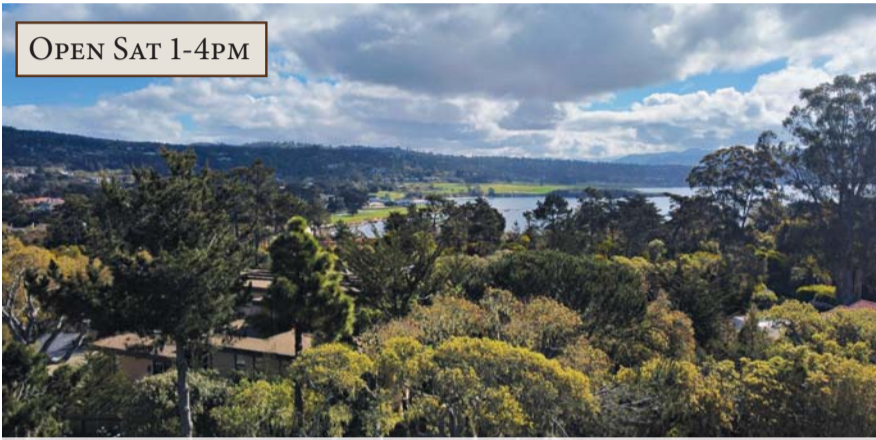


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Confessions of a consummate corporate cocktail party schmoozer

Half of the harm done in this world is due to people who want to feel important — “The Cocktail Party,” by T.S. Eliot

BELIEVE IT or not, there was a time when I was an executive for a large, profit-centered, good-old-boy company. As such, I was required to wend my way through the never-ending maze of cocktail parties hosted by my firm at a variety of trade shows and conventions across the country.

The parties were always held in the grand ballrooms of the largest hotels in town. Liveried waitpersons saw that no one was ever without hors d’oeuvres, while the booze

flowed more freely than compliments in a drag show dressing room. My company’s products cost big bucks, which translated into huge commissions, as long as one could keep aggressive competitors from stealing away our blue-chip customers.

Eye on the prize

At cocktail parties, I became one of those rare people who can get down into the woods, work on the details, yet still see the big picture. I was there to schmooze the clients and allay any complaints they might have with soothing platitudes and even more soothing martinis. It was a setting where I learned that it mattered little whether my

conversation could be understood — just so long as nothing I said could be misunderstood. Often it took a great deal of restraint not to be impolite to a client who was two sheets to the wind — any more to drink and the third sheet

Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVASE

would become a shroud.

I learned that clients wanted to do the talking. It was their job to impress upon me how important they were in the decision-making process that determined whether my product would be purchased and to remind me that they controlled my destiny — and I became an expert at letting them think so.

I did this with a few key phrases that were virtually meaningless but, when said at the proper time and with varying inflections, enabled me to tiptoe through the conversational minefields of corporate cocktail parties. Among them were, “It’s all good,” and, “It is what it is.”

It was important not to use them in the wrong situations. The phrase, “It’s all good,” is best thrown into a conversation that has positive overtones. Thus, when buttonholed by a client who was so deep into the martinis that he was drowning in a gin-soaked sea of self-importance, and lecturing me on the importance of his importance, I would nod my head (another invaluable maneuver) and when he stopped for air I would say, “It’s all good.” Usually, his eyebrows rose in non-comprehension (but not in misunderstanding).

Throw in a ‘bro’

If he really needed more approbation, I delivered the phrase while extending my arm and placing my hand on his arm (the one not holding his martini). If his eyes were glassy enough, I would add “brother” to the phrase — “It’s all good, brother.” If he were really gone I would add “bro” as in, “It’s all good, bro,” which presaged a degree of camaraderie only shared and understood by captains of industry. If I really wanted to lay it on thick, I would lead into “It’s all good” with, “In today’s world,” which implied globalization and gave solemnity to my meaningless phrases.

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pass admonishment from Pebble Beach.

FRIDAY, APRIL 14

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury accident on San Antonio Avenue.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vandalism to a vehicle at Dolores and 10th.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lost wallet at Carmel Beach.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Information report of a traffic violation at Highway 1 and Ocean Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Theft of personal property, purse-snatching, on Forest Avenue.

Pacific Grove: A wallet was turned in to the police station. It was found on the border of Pacific Grove and Monterey on Foam Street. Owner could not be contacted, so the

item will be held for safekeeping.

Pacific Grove: A watch was turned in to the police department that was found near the Grill at Lovers Point. Owner information is not known, so the item will be held for safekeeping.

Pebble Beach: Suspicious circumstances reported on Sunridge Road.

Pebble Beach: Report of financial elder abuse at a residence on Sunridge Road.

Carmel Valley: Report of alleged financial abuse on Carmel Valley Road.

Carmel Valley: An Adult Protective Services referral was investigated at a residence on Cachagua Road.

SATURDAY, APRIL 15

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury accident at Ocean and Santa Rita.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Violation of a restraining order on Santa Fe south of First.

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GERVASE

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The second key phrase, "It is what it is," is best reserved for untenable situations. Perhaps the client's business was bad, costs were out of control, the market was unstable, his company was getting killed by cheap Chinese knock-offs — all things beyond his control.

His eyes pleaded with me for a solution, so I would say, "It is what it is," using the hand-on-arm maneuver and adding "brother" or "bro" where appropriate. Almost invariably, his pained expression would melt into one of gratitude at my understanding of their problems. And then I would add, "Going forward ..." without finishing the sentence but giving him some hope that things will get better.

Sometimes they would ask for proprietary information I could not divulge. "That's above my pay grade," wouldn't

suffice because then he inferred that he was dealing with a low-level executive ... and I couldn't jeopardize my own importance. "I don't have the bandwidth for that" became my go-to answer. I have no idea what it means, but the customer concluded I was hinting that I had the authority but not the breadth of freedom to discuss the issue. This would be a good time to use "granular" and/or "metrics," as in, "The metrics prevent me from being more granular about that." Then I would polish it off with, "Perhaps we should take this offline" (sotto voce), followed with a knowing smile and an offer to refresh his drink.

You may bridle at what you would consider my superficiality and obvious manipulation. And I would not disagree with your assessment. But you know, bro, in order to survive, you gotta do what you gotta do. You need to think outside the box and grab the low-hanging fruit — because it's a jungle out there.

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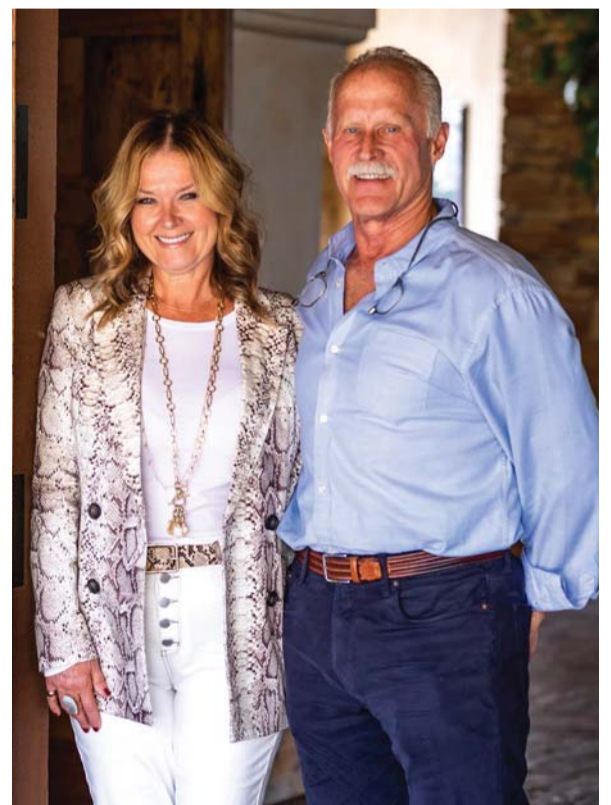
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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Ticket sign-off at the station.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Ammo surrender by a Torres resident.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Battery on Mission Street.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lost wallet on the beach.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lost ring on the beach.

Pacific Grove: A doorjamb of a building on Seventh Street was vandalized by an unknown subject(s).

Pacific Grove: Officers dispatched to the 100 block of Central Avenue in Pacific Grove regarding a welfare check on a male lying on the sidewalk. The male was contacted and determined to be unable to care for himself due to his level of intoxication. During the arrest, the 27-year-old male resisted officers. He was transported to a local hospital to receive treatment, and charges were forwarded to the district attorney's office.

Pacific Grove: Officers dispatched after a solo-vehicle collision. Upon arrival, officers developed probable cause the driver was driving under the influence and arrested the 22-year-old female.

SUNDAY, APRIL 16

Carmel Valley: Report of a restraining-order violation at a Cachagua Road residence.

Pebble Beach: A 54-year-old Mora Lane resident was arrested for inflicting injury to a dating partner, mayhem and assault with force causing great bodily injury involving a 57-year-old female victim.

Carmel area: Deputies responded to a suspicious circumstance on Rio Road.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury accident on Dolores Street. Vehicle was towed away.



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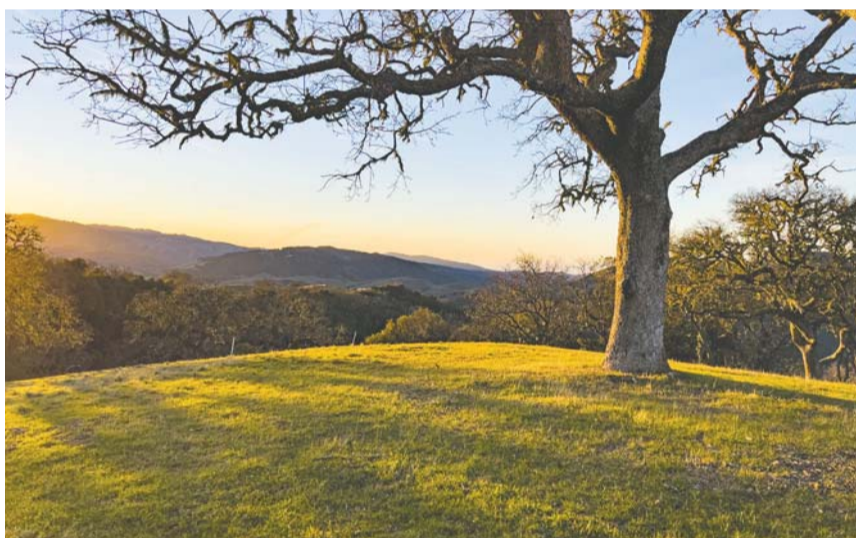
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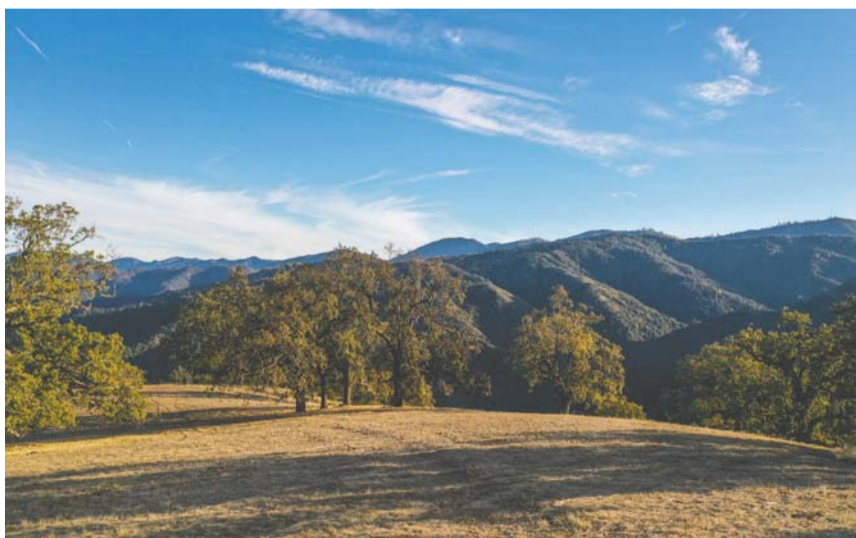
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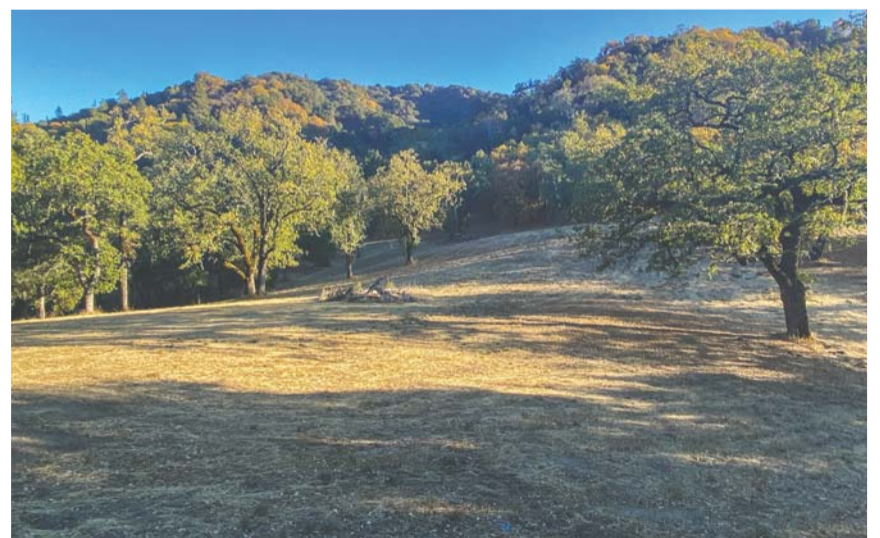
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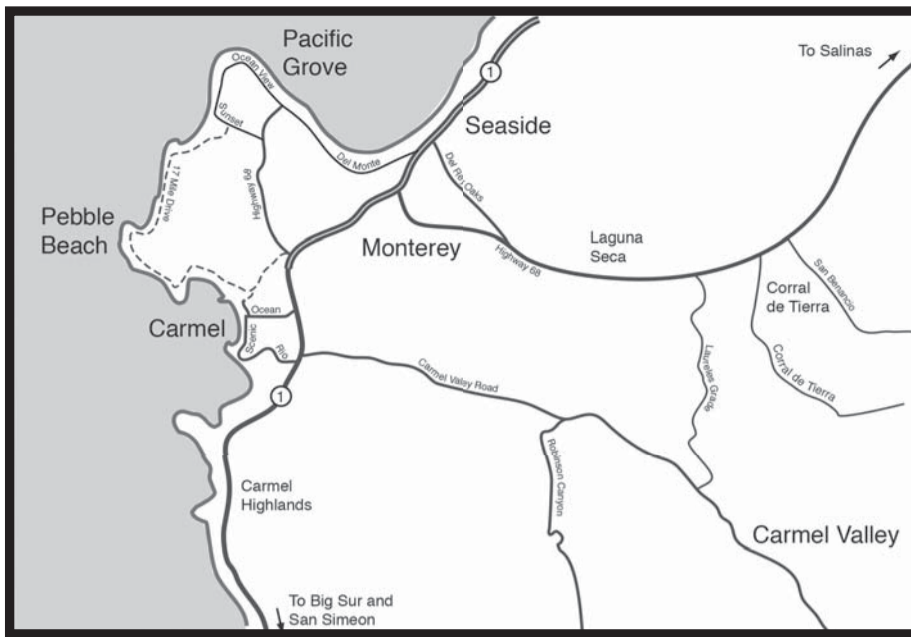
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 Registered Owner(s): STEPHEN JAMES PELLETT, 429 Hannon Avenue, Monterey, CA 93940.
 This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 1, 2023.
BY 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/Stephen Pellett
 Date signed: March 21, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 23, 2023.
 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
 Publication Dates: April 7, 14, 21, 28, 2023 (PC 401)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230631
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MIRSA'S AUTO PARTS & TOWING, 288 E. Market St., Salinas, CA 93901.**
 Registered Owner(s): JUAN ALBERTO RUIZ JR. 148 Goldenrod St., Salinas, CA 93960.
 This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 2023.
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/Juan Alberto Ruiz Jr.
 Date signed: March 30, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 30, 2023.
 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
 Publication Dates: April 7, 14, 21, 28, 2023 (PC 403)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
 Case No. 23CV000947
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, INEZ MARIE SILVA, aka JAMIE MARIE SILVA, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. Present name: INEZ MARIE SILVA
Proposed name: JAMIE MARIE SILVA
 THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING:
 DATE: May 26, 2023
 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 following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.
 (s) Carrie M. Panetta
 Judge of the Superior Court
 Date filed: March 29, 2023
 Publication Dates: April 7, 14, 21, 28, 2023. (PC 404)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230659
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **ALPHA GARDENS, 1622 Spumante Way, Gonzales, CA 93926.**
 Registered Owner(s): KAREN VALIENTE, 1622 Spumante Way, Gonzales, CA 93926.
 This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
 S/Karen Valiente
 Date signed: April 3, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 3, 2023.
 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
 Publication Dates: April 7, 14, 21, 28, 2023 (PC 405)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230674
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **CYPRESS WINDOW CLEANING, 1865 Andrew Ct., Seaside, CA 93955.**
 Registered Owner(s): EDY AGUSTIN LOPEZ SANTOS, 1865 Andrew Ct., Seaside, CA 93955.
 This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 5, 2023.
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/Edy Agustín Lopez Santos
 Date signed: April 5, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 5, 2023.
 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
 Publication Dates: April 14, 21, 28, May 5, 2023 (PC 410)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
 Case No. 23CV001037
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, YESENIA MENDIETA, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. Present name: YESENIA MENDIETA
Proposed name: YESENIA OSORNIÓ MENDIETA
 THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING:
 DATE: May 26, 2023
 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 following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.
 (s) Carrie M. Panetta
 Judge of the Superior Court
 Date filed: April 6, 2023
 Publication Dates: April 14, 21, 28, May 5, 2023. (PC 411)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230679
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **GUTIERREZ OFFICES INSTALLER, 1654 Old Stage Rd., Salinas, CA 93906.**
 Registered Owner(s): ALBERTO GUTIERREZ, 1654 Old Stage Rd., Salinas, CA 93906.
 This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Feb. 24, 2017.
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/Alberto Gutierrez
 Date signed: April 5, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 5, 2023.
 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
 Publication Dates: April 14, 21, 28, May 5, 2023 (PC 412)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
 Case No. 23CV001071
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, JOSEPHINE DORA SILVA, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. Present name: JOSEPHINE DORA SILVA
Proposed name: JOSEPHINE DORA HIGUERA
 THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING:
 DATE: May 19, 2023
 TIME: 8:30 a.m.
 DEPT: 14
 The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.
 (s) Carrie M. Panetta
 Judge of the Superior Court
 Date filed: April 7, 2023
 Publication Dates: April 21, 28, May 5, 12, 2023. (PC 415)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230556
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MONTEREY VISTA TERMITÉ CONTROL, 9692 Arrowleaf Trail, Salinas, CA 93907.**
 Registered Owner(s): ANDREW WILLIAM OHARA 9692 Arrowleaf Trail, Salinas, CA 93907.
 This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
 S/Andrew Ohara
 Date signed: March 22, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 22, 2023.
 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new

Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
 Publication Dates: April 21, 28; May 5, 12, 2023 (PC 416)

SUMMONS - FAMILY LAW

Case Number: 23FL000218
 NOTICE TO RESPONDENT:
LEOBARDO A. CASTRO
You are being sued.
 PETITIONER'S NAME IS:
 CELESTINA GUZMAN MINA

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this Summons and Petition are served on you to file a Response (form FL-120 or FL-123) at the court and have a copy served on the petitioner. A letter or phone call 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.court.ca.gov/selfhelp), at the California Legal Services website (www.lawhelpca.org), or by contacting your local county bar association.
NOTICE-RESTRAINING ORDERS ARE 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 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:
 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 LANCE
 11 W. Laurel Dr. #215
 Salinas, CA 93906
 (831) 443-6509
 Monterey County #LDA5
 Celestina Guzman Mina
 1022 Eagle Drive
 Salinas, CA 93905
 (831) 276-4482
 Date: March 2, 2023
 (s) Clerk, by Eric Angeles, Deputy
 Publication Dates: April 21, 28; May 5, 2023. (PC 417)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
 File No. 20230669
 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Fine Art and Jewelry, 24900 Pine Hills Dr., Carmel, CA 93923,** County of Monterey
 Registered Owner(s): Zeenah Ziino, 24900 Pine Hills Dr., 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/ Zeenah Ziino
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/04/2023
 4/21, 4/28, 5/5, 5/12/23
CNS-3686023#
CARMEL PINE CONE
 Publication Dates: April 21, 28; May 5, 12, 2023. (PC 418)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
 File No. 20230669
 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Fine Art and Jewelry, 24900 Pine Hills Dr., Carmel, CA 93923,** County of Monterey
 Registered Owner(s): Zeenah Ziino, 24900 Pine Hills Dr., 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/ Zeenah Ziino
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 14, 2023.
 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
 Publication Dates: April 21, 28; May 5, 12, 2023 (PC 423)

LIEN SALE AUCTION
 Notice is hereby given that Pursuant to the California Self-Service Storage Facility Act, (B&P Code 21700 et. Seq.), the undersigned will sell at public auction; personal property including but not limited to furniture, clothing, tools, and /or other misc. items.
 Auction to be held at 1:00 pm on May 5, 2023 at: www.selfstorageauction.com
 The property is stored at: Marina U Store Self Storage, 475 Reservation Road, Marina, CA 93933
Name of Tenants
 Crissy Lee Ecoganon
 Brenda Esmeralda Flores
 Christi Jackson
 4/21, 4/28/23
CNS-3691223#
CARMEL PINE CONE
 Publication Dates: April 21, 28, 2023. (PC 419)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
 File No. 20230684
 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Prunedale Nursery, 18121 Berta Canyon Rd., Salinas, CA 93907,** County of Monterey
 Registered Owner(s): Austin Chambers, 18121 Berta Canyon Rd., Salinas, CA 93907; CA
 This business is conducted by an individual
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable
 S/ Austin Chambers

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/06/2023
 4/21, 4/28, 5/5, 5/12/23
CNS-3687209#
CARMEL PINE CONE
 Publication Dates: April 21, 28; May 5, 12, 2023. (PC 420)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230520
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **CHILL VIBES NUTICION, 155 Kidder St., Suite C, Soledad, CA 93960.**
Mailing address: 608 N. Sanborn Rd., Apt. 1, Salinas, CA 93905.
 Registered Owner(s): TERESA HOWE, 608 N. Sanborn Rd., Apt. 1, Salinas, CA 93905.
 This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Feb. 14, 2023.
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/Teresa Howe
 Date signed: March 16, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 16, 2023.
 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
 Publication Dates: April 21, 28; May 5, 12, 2023 (PC 422)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230502
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **PIECES OF HEAVEN, 3686 The Barnyard, Carmel, CA 93923.**
Mailing address: 5417 N. San Simone Dr., Fresno, CA 93722.
 Registered Owner(s): PEGGY DIANNE WHITTED, 5417 N. San Simone Dr., Fresno, CA 93722.
 This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 1, 1995.
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/Peggy Dianne Whitted
 Date signed: March 14, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 14, 2023.
 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
 Publication Dates: April 21, 28; May 5, 12, 2023 (PC 423)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230727
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **PIZZA HEAVEN, Mission St. & 8th Ave, Suite 6, Carmel, CA 93921.**
Mailing address: 25605 Row Pl., Carmel, CA 93923.
 County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey
 Registered Owner(s): FADI ALNIMRI
 Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: PIZZA HEAVEN INC., 25605 Row Pl., Carmel, CA 93923.
 State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
 This business is conducted by a corporation.
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). *I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).*
 S/Fadi Alnimri, President

Date: April 11, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 13, 2023.
 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
 Publication Dates: April 21, 28; May 5, 12, 2023. (PC 424)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
 Case No. 23CV001142
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, DANIELLE BOUCHER on behalf of McKENZIE MICHELLE CREMILDE OLIVEIRA, a minor, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. Present name: McKENZIE MICHELLE CREMILDE OLIVEIRA
Proposed name: McKENZIE MICHELLE CREMILDE OLIVEIRA BOUCHER
 THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING:
 DATE: May 26, 2023
 TIME: 8:30 a.m.
 DEPT: 14
 The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.
 (s) Carrie M. Panetta
 Judge of the Superior Court
 Date: April 14, 2023
 Date filed by Superior Court of California, County of Monterey on 4/4/2023
 Publication Dates: April 21, 28; May 5, 12, 2023. (PC 426)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230767
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **TULIP NAILS, 389 Salinas St., Salinas, CA 93901.**
 Registered Owner(s): LINH NIGOC CHUNG, 1385 Lucretia Ave., Apt. 3204, San Jose, CA 95122.
 DIEM THI HOANG HUYNH, 1385 Lucretia Ave., Apt. 3204, San Jose, CA 95122.
 This business is conducted by a general partnership.
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 18, 2023.
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/Linh Ngoc Chung
 Date signed: April 18, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 18, 2023.
 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
 Publication Dates: April 28; May 5, 12, 19, 2023 (PC 428)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230727
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **PIZZA HEAVEN, Mission St. & 8th Ave, Suite 6, Carmel, CA 93921.**
Mailing address: 25605 Row Pl., Carmel, CA 93923.
 County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey
 Registered Owner(s): FADI ALNIMRI
 Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: PIZZA HEAVEN INC., 25605 Row Pl., Carmel, CA 93923.
 State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
 This business is conducted by a corporation.
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). *I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).*
 S/Fadi Alnimri, President

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legals@carmelpinecone.com

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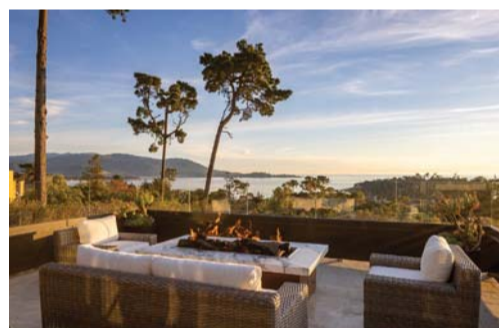


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