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Cause of fire that destroyed mansion may never be known

By KELLY NIX

WHAT SPARKED a major fire that heavily damaged Pacific Grove's most historic mansion Friday might remain a mystery, according to a fire chief who said there is no indication that it was intentionally set.

On May 26 at about 10 a.m., a blaze erupted at the LaPorte Mansion on Lighthouse Avenue and 17 Mile Drive that gutted much of the building and reportedly destroyed a collection of antiques. While a man was living in the house at the time — and tried putting out the fire with an extinguisher — he was able to safely escape uninjured.

Records indicate that home was the residence of 68-year-old William Turrentine, a descendant of Shirley LaPorte Turrentine, who died in 1997.

Risk of collapse

The cause of the fire might never be identified, according to Monterey Fire Chief Gaudenz Panholzer, but an investigation has not even begun. "There is no indication of it being suspicious," Panholzer told The Pine Cone. "The cause may remain undetermined due to the extent of damage and the fact that it is currently unsafe to enter the structure to conduct an investigation."

The fire prompted a heavy response, with 38 firefighters from three agencies, eight engines, two trucks and five chief officers. Monterey

Fire, Cal Fire stationed in Pebble Beach and Presidio of Monterey Fire had personnel on the scene, while Seaside Fire and Monterey County Regional Fire provided station coverage for those agencies, Panholzer said.

"Crews initially attempted to knock down the fire from the exterior and then made interior access to the second

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PHOTO/KELLY NIX

The fate of the charred remains of a once stately mansion in Pacific Grove is unclear, although it appears to be a total loss after a fire swept through the home Friday morning.

Monterey plan to register rentals draws opposition

By MARY SCHLEY

AS THE City of Salinas implements a new law requiring landlords to register their properties in a government database, Monterey city officials on Tuesday night sought feedback from the public on creating a similar program — and mostly heard from renters, landlords, property managers, realtors and others who don't like the idea.

Community development director Kim Cole told those gathered at the Monterey Conference Center and on Zoom that the Monterey City Council on April 18 voted in favor of creating a rental inventory to aid in the development of "policies to provide equitable access to affordable housing in Monterey."

According to the city, many jurisdictions have created such registries to track rentals' locations, types and prices, often with the intent of imposing rent control. Cole said Monterey's inventory might also include contact information, leases, rent increases, characteristics of the units such as the number of bedrooms and bathrooms, occupancy rates, tenant turnover, and compliance with existing laws on businesses licenses and short-term rentals.

"To better understand our housing costs and shortage, we need accurate information about the rental inventory in Monterey," Cole explained. "A rental inventory program will establish an important database, supporting and benefiting both the property owner and the renter."

She did not say how either tenants or owners would benefit.

The costs

City staff estimated the program would cost \$100,000 to start and around \$400,000 annually, including two new full-time employees who would manage, administer and maintain the inventory. Specialized software would cost an initial \$25,000 and \$30,000 annually for a subscription. All of these costs would be passed on to landlords in the form of fees.

"We have been interviewing cities that have been doing this for a long time and some with newer registries," Cole said, noting that the government-held databases often reveal discrepancies and inaccuracies in data collected by

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Battle brews over troublesome tree branch

By MARY SCHLEY

NEIGHBORS ARE fighting over an acacia branch.

Terry Hallock, who lives on the northeast corner of Guadalupe and Ocean, wants to cut a 6-inch-diameter limb that extends onto her property from an acacia growing on the boundary between her house and the neighbors' because it's dropping debris in her yard and growing toward her house. At a May 11 forest and beach commission meeting, forestry analyst Tom Ford recommended approval.

But the attorney for neighbor Philip Presse asked commissioners not to let her cut the branch because her client couldn't be there in person to decide if he was OK with it.

Acacias are bad

Hallock applied in February to cut down the tree but later amended her application to focus on the limb, which is protected by city ordinance, regardless of species, because it's more than 4 inches in diameter. She also had a formal survey conducted and discovered the fence between her house and the neighbors was 4 feet into her lot, and the tree is growing right on the property line. According to

Ford's report, the city's forestry staff confirmed the survey was accurate.

Acacia is a non-native species and is considered invasive in the State of California, Hallock said, adding that their debris and roots stymie the growth of native plants, including the oaks of which she is fond. Acacias are also prone to uprooting, and she noted one nearly hit her house and the city is removing another nearby, while other neighbors have already cut one down.

No time to respond

Hallock said she offered to replace the disputed acacia with an oak but subsequently compromised by asking for

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WWII regiment should be honored, leaders say

By KELLY NIX

THERE'S A new effort to memorialize the men of an all-Black U.S. Army regiment who were stationed in Pacific Grove during World War II to help deter a Japanese invasion of California.

In 1942, the 54th Coast Artillery Regiment was deployed to the Lighthouse Reservation to man 155mm guns in an attempt to fend off the Japanese, who had bombed Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, and were believed to be considering an attack on the California coast.

Their deployment, which included artillery pieces arrayed along the shore near Pt. Pinos, was top secret at the time, and while the efforts of the 54th regiment have not been forgotten by historians, many Monterey Peninsula residents are not aware the regiment existed.

New interest

In hopes of changing that, several residents are asking that the 54th be honored with a plaque or other memorial so the public can learn about the group and its emplacement on the property where the former NOAA building is located.

Writer and art dealer Steve Hauk wrote an article about the regiment on May 20 for the

P.G. Lives blogsite. The piece has sparked a new interest in a memorial for the soldiers, who lived in tents on the property.

"The unit was activated at Camp Wallace, Texas, in February 1941," Hauk, a former journalist, wrote. "The entire regiment was assigned to Fort Fisher when they

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PHOTO/PINE CONE FILE

Members of the all-Black 54th regiment stationed in Pacific Grove during World War II are shown during a training exercise.

CHP asks for help with fatal hit-and-run

By MARY SCHLEY

POLICE ARE asking for help finding the driver who fled after hitting a white Volkswagen van on southbound Highway 1 Wednesday afternoon, causing it to overturn and eject the driver, 62-year-old James Pack of Carmel. He later died at the hospital.

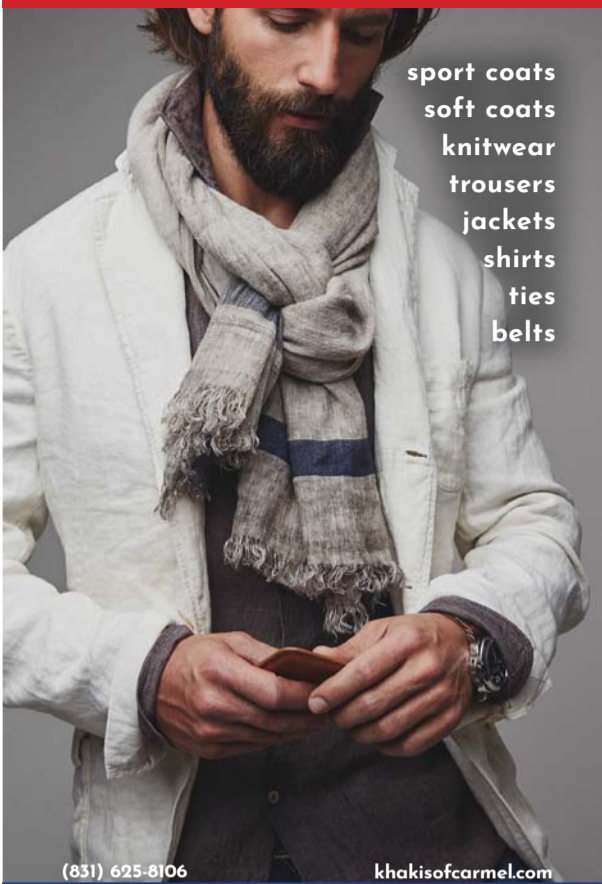
According to California Highway Patrol public information officer Jessica Madueño, at 3:38 p.m. May 31, 911 calls started coming in regarding a hit-and-run crash on southbound Highway 1 near the Monterey courthouse in which a silver vehicle of unknown type struck a white van.

"As a result, the white van overturned, and the silver vehicle immediately fled the scene," she said. "The driver

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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Canine connection

A couple that's been coming to Carmel on holiday for some 25 years bought a 1930s cottage just north of Ocean Avenue in 2019 and set out to renovate it to suit their family — including a 7-year-old yellow Labrador named Macie.

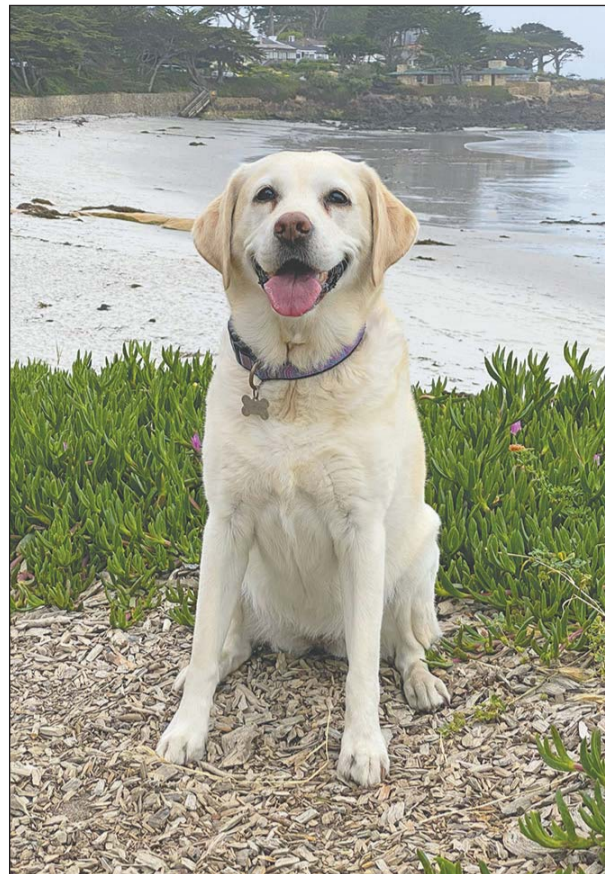
Still young at heart, Macie seems very much like the puppy the couple bought as a gift for their daughter, who received a note on Christmas morning that she was coming.

"Macie's a lover," her person said "She loves to cuddle, to climb up on the bed, and she also loves our shoes, particularly basketball shoes. When she was little, she fit right inside them. She never carries them off. She just tucks her nose in."

So far, the family has been coming to Carmel from their home in the East Bay for long weekends, preferring to arrive on Thursdays, so they can pick up the previous week's edition of the Pine Cone and then wake up to the new edition Friday morning.

Macie's more interested in the sights and smells that tell her she's getting closer to the sea as the family pulls into town. As soon as she sees the orange beach bag, she knows she's headed to the beach.

"My wife takes Macie to the beach twice a day," her



person said. "She runs along the shore, splashing in the water, but she has no interest in swimming. She's a retriever, so she's into chasing birds and balls and sticks, and she'll pick up a strand of kelp and run with it."

Macie's family is beginning to believe she's the reason they come to Carmel.

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NEW CARMEL HIGH PRINCIPAL'S CONTRACT UP FOR VOTE JUNE 7

By MARY SCHLEY

LIBBY DUETHMAN, the Salinas High School principal who's been tapped to take the lead at Carmel High following the suspension and subsequent dismissal of Jonathan Lyons, was selected from "a healthy pool of over 20 applicants," Michelle Goncalves, executive assistant to acting superintendent Sharon Ofek, said this week.

Last month, Carmel Unified School District officials quietly announced Duethman's hiring but provided little additional information beyond some basics about her resume, which includes nearly three decades in education, most recently as assistant principal and then principal at Salinas High. Prior to that, she'd worked in education in Minnesota for 20 years. Her Salinas High School biography notes that she grew up in Salinas, has two college-aged children and attended the University of Montana, San Jose State, St. Mary's University of Minnesota, and Hamline University.

Hazard, Young, Attea & Associates, the firm that helped the district find and hire now-suspended superintendent Ted Knight, was hired in April to lead the search for a new Carmel High principal at a cost of \$14,900.

Process

"With regard to the hiring process, the district contracted with Hazard, Young and Attea to engage stakeholders, recruit candidates, and present a slate of candidates for consideration by the district,"



Libby Duethman

Goncalves said. "CUSD conducted screening interviews with several district and site administrators."

The human resources department facilitated candidate interviews with a panel of Carmel High School representatives, including certificated and classified staff, a site administrator, students and parents, according to Goncalves.

The superintendent and chief human resources officer Craig Chavez "have authority to offer contracts to prospective employees contingent upon approval from the board of education," Goncalves explained, and Duethman was offered a contract after the board weighed in on May 17.

The terms of her employment are set to be approved by the board June 7 as part of the "certificated and classified personnel items list" on the consent calendar, according to Goncalves. The consent calendar includes items of routine business that can be adopted as a group without discussion unless a board member or someone from the public requests a hearing on a specific item.

According to the hiring consultant's contract, "if the new leader departs from the position during the first year under any circumstances, Hazard, Young, Attea & Associates will recruit new candidates for the district at no additional cost, barring travel, advertising and due diligence expenses."

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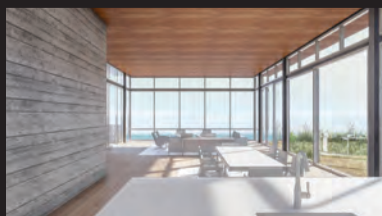
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Police & Sheriff's Log

Woman lost in P.G. restaurant

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.

Carmel area: Online report of illegal burning on Dougherty Place.

Carmel Valley: Deputies dispatched after a report of theft on La Rancheria.

THURSDAY, MAY 18

TUESDAY, MAY 16

Pacific Grove: A vehicle check was conducted on Forest Avenue. One of the occupants was found to have outstanding warrants and to be in possession of a controlled substance. Another occupant was found to be in possession of a controlled substance and drug paraphernalia. A 57-year-old male and a 41-year-old male were cited and released.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17

Carmel-by-the-Sea: No calls to report.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle towed for parking in a posted construction zone on Central Avenue. Signs posted 72 hours in advance.

Pacific Grove: An anonymous person called in to report vandalism to a retaining wall on Ransford.

Carmel Valley: Report of alleged financial exploitation of a Salsipuedes Road resident.

Pacific Grove: Abandoned vehicle towed from the public roadway at Arkwright and Moreland.

Pacific Grove: Resident reported an unknown person had obtained credit using his personal identifying information. No suspect information available.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a battery at a business on Lincoln at 0004 hours. Suspect fled prior to officer's arrival.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of two dogs off leash in the area of Torres and Fourth that approached and barked at a dog on a leash. Both parties advised of the off-leash criteria.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 39-year-old male driver was cited and released at Rio Road and Highway 1 at 2210 hours for having meth pipes and committing a probation violation.

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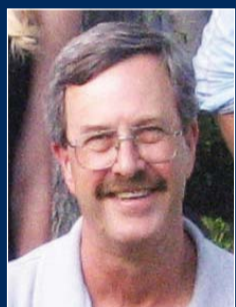


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The gavel falls

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

April 20 — A jury convicted Antonio Laguna of reckless evading and possession of a stolen vehicle, both felonies, for leading Salinas police on a high-speed pursuit during Friday morning rush hour.

On Sept. 9, 2022, around 7:30 a.m., Salinas Police detective Edwin Cruz attempted a traffic stop on Laguna, who he saw driving a stolen vehicle. Laguna tried to evade by weaving through traffic, running two stop signs, and speeding up to 70 mph in downtown Salinas.

Failing to gain an advantage, Laguna exited the stolen vehicle and led officers on a lengthy foot pursuit through Chinatown, requiring a heavy police response.

Following the verdict, Laguna admitted he was prosecuted and convicted in Monterey County in 2015 for assault with a firearm, which constitutes a prior strike and serves to double his potential sentence in this case.

Furthermore, the court found four factors in aggravation true: that his prior convictions are numerous and of increasing seriousness, that he was on probation at the time of this offense, that his prior performance on probation has been unsatisfactory, and that he has served a prior prison term.

This case was primarily investigated by Salinas Police Detective Edwin Cruz. Laguna faces a maximum of seven years four months in state prison.

May 15 — Neil Aguillon-Palermo, 23, a resident of Salinas, was sentenced by the Hon. Stephanie Hulse to 64 years to life in prison after a jury found him guilty of charges stemming from the 2017 Orchard Street attempted murder of two Salinas residents.

On Feb. 12, 2017, at 12:21 a.m., Salinas police officers responded to numerous gunshots on Orchard Street in the east side of the City of Salinas. Officers located a father and son suffering from multiple gunshot wounds to their torso and limbs. It was determined that the victims were followed home by Aguillon-Palermo and other Norteño gang members who opened fire on the victims' car as they pulled into their driveway. At least four firearms discharged 21 rounds of ammunition into the passenger compartment of the victims' vehicle.

The evidence presented at trial came to light as the result of a special investigation referred to as "Operation REDRUM." The

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CARMEL VALLEY GIRL BACK WITH DAD, MOM FACES ABDUCTION CHARGES

By KELLY NIX

A 6-YEAR-OLD Carmel Valley girl is back with her father months after police said her mom took her and fled to Vermont amid a custody battle. The mother was arrested by members of the U.S. Marshals Service last week and will be extradited to Monterey County, where she'll likely be charged with felony child abduction.

The Monterey County Sheriff's Office said Evelina Madsen was taken by her mother, Veronica Lopez Escobedo, 51. But last week, marshals took Escobedo into custody in Ludlow, Vt., and, with the help of sheriff's detectives, reunited Madsen with her father, Ryen Madsen, of Carmel Valley, in Springfield, Vt. Escobedo is being held on \$20,000 bail.

"I have my daughter back," Madsen told The Pine Cone Tuesday morning. "When she saw me she said, 'Dad?'" recounted Madsen, who said he was tearful. "It was a really touching moment."

Evelina, who was found unharmed, has already started playing with kids in her neighborhood and went to a friend's birthday party over Memorial Day weekend, Madsen said.

"When I brought her back to her bedroom and she started seeing all these memories and toys, she did some crying,"

Madsen said. "She misses her mom, but it seems like she is distracted, at the very least."

While The Pine Cone was interviewing Madsen Tuesday morning, Evelina asked her father if she could place a piece of amethyst in the garden.

"She's acclimating really great," he said. "She is good at spending time alone. I made her some French toast this morning. I'm just overjoyed, really."

Meanwhile, Madsen said he has the support of family and friends who can help care for the girl.

Police log clue

While the sheriff's office in February took Madsen's report that his daughter had been abducted, Undersheriff Keith Boyd conceded that members of the new sheriff's administration — which include him and Sheriff Tina Nieto — were unaware of the case until The Pine Cone contacted the agency May 9.

Madsen credited the newspaper, which ran two articles on Evelina's abduction in May, for helping reignite the sheriff's investigation.

"To me, you and The Pine Cone have a significance in this that I can't deny," Madsen told a reporter.

He also thanked the sheriff's office and,

specifically, Detective Arras Wilson — who said during a press conference last week that he was assigned to the case two weeks prior — for their work in helping find his daughter.

Madsen said he realized Escobedo was in Vermont with his daughter after seeing a police log item in The Pine Cone in November 2022. Once extradited to Monterey County, it's expected that she'll be prosecuted by the Monterey County District Attorney's Office, which filed child abduction charges against her in March. Madsen said he believes they were living in a condominium in Vermont.

While Evelina has been through a lot, Madsen said he is considering getting her counseling around the time she starts first grade.

"Obviously, her mother didn't want to share her with me, but I always want what's best for my daughter — stability, family and love," Madsen said, adding that he plans to enroll her at Tularcitos Elementary School.



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Ryen Madsen and daughter Evelina were reunited late last week, months after police say her mother abducted her.


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The award presentation took place May 24 at the Hofsas House Hotel in Carmel.

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Sky Brown, "Rivers of Salt"

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Runner-up: Lily Lehman, "Everything I Do Is For You"



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Police station, restaurant tax, garbage rates on busy agenda

By MARY SCHLEY

IN ADDITION to voting on a proposed \$40.9 million budget, the city council next Tuesday is set to consider the best way to find someone to renovate the Scout House, another rate increase from trash hauler GreenWaste, reestablishment of the design review board, a \$300,000 contract with an architectural firm to identify what's wrong with the police station and what to do about it, and renewal of the 25-cent-per-\$100 tax imposed on restaurant customers to fund marketing efforts.

But that's not all. Council members will also receive an update on the ongoing update of residential and commercial design guidelines and will vote on a permit for a fence in the public right of way on an Eighth Avenue property the owners have been trying to develop for years.

And on the consent calendar, they'll take action on several contracts, among other items of routine business.

building safe, to meet state standards and local codes, and to make the station a better workspace. The firm will provide a report, conceptual drawings and cost estimates.

GreenWaste, which was contracted a decade ago to handle the city's garbage services through 2030, is asking for another rate increase to cover inflation and other rising costs. The proposed 3.71 percent rise was calculated by a consultant and follows increases of 2 percent in June 2021, 3.76 percent in November 2021 and 2.14 percent in June 2022. Those changes came after five years' worth of rate hikes that amounted to more than 50 percent for garbage customers.

The council will also contemplate whether to bring back the design review board, which was established in 2000 to review commercial and residential projects but was disbanded in 2009, when those responsibilities were given back to the planning commission. Council members will decide whether to bring it back, and if so, what role it should play in the planning process.

Not to mention budget, design review board and a permit for a fence

A 25-cent-per-\$100 tax levied on restaurant customers and passed through the city to Visit Carmel, its marketing and tourism agency, was implemented in 2019 for a five-year term after a majority of restaurant owners approved it. Business owners are now asking their colleagues to vote in favor of extending the tax — which generates around \$240,000 per year to promote local restaurants — through June 30, 2033. The city council is responsible for holding public hearings on the proposal and retains 2 percent of the tax to cover the costs of collecting and administering the funds.

Big tab

Speaking of money, the council will be asked to adopt a nearly \$40.9 million spending plan, which relies on \$9.9 million in savings from prior years in order to balance and includes \$10.9 million in capital improvement projects. The council discussed the proposed 2023-2024 budget at a special meeting May 16 and has fielded questions from the public and city officials. By law, the budget must be adopted before

See SCOUT page 20A

Scout House, CPD

Following an April meeting at which the council put off voting on asking city administrator Chip Rerig to seek proposals from anyone interested in renovating and operating the historic Scout House, which has been shut for 20 years due to ADA issues, council members will discuss doing so again at their June 6 meeting. They worried that the complexity of the project would be too much for local Boy Scouts to take on.

Regarding the years-long effort to renovate the Carmel P.D. building at Junipero and Fourth, after several iterations of the design and a number of false starts, the city sought proposals from architectural firms specializing in designing police stations.

After receiving four proposals, a committee of the public works director, planning director, acting police chief and project manager selected a firm called Indigo, which has overseen remodels in several California cities and will work with local architect Mary Ann Schicketanz on the CPD project. The \$300,000 contract calls for identifying the areas most in need of maintenance and improvement to make the

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Injured hiker, driver suspected of drinking rescued in Big Sur

By CHRIS COUNTS

A SUSPECTED drunk driver lost control of a blue late-model Ford truck and went off a steep embankment about a half-mile north of Point Sur May 22 — and survived the crash. The incident happened in the early evening.

The next day, skid marks at the site showed where the driver veered to the right while negotiating a turn, lost control and careened down a hillside. The driver was lucky the truck left the highway where it did because there are steeper sections of coastline close by.

Photos show that the badly damaged truck came to rest upright in a patch of

dense chaparral. Responding to the scene was the Monterey County Sheriff's Search and Rescue team, along with personnel from California State Parks, Cal Fire, Big Sur Fire, the California Highway Patrol and the United States Army Reserve. With traffic stopped along Highway 1, the driver was hoisted up the pavement and transported to the hospital, the sheriff's office reported.

Suffered broken ankle

The previous day, May 21, a hiker who broke his ankle needed to be airlifted out the Big Sur backcountry. The injury happened at about 11 a.m. near Terrace Creek Camp on Pine Ridge Trail about 5 miles east of Pfeiffer Big State Park.

Rescue workers had trouble getting the patient down to a waiting ambulance on Highway 1, so they put in a call for a hoist. A CHP helicopter was engaged already, so Cal Fire called in its own helicopter from Hollister.

"They hovered over the patient, picked him up and then flew up and over the ridgeline and down to the highway for transport to the hospital," said Cal Fire spokesman Curtis Rhodes.



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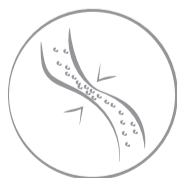
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Grand jury report says Seaside needs to do more to deter illegal fireworks

By CHRIS COUNTS

IT'S DIFFICULT not to be dazzled by the summertime spectacle of fireworks lighting up the night sky. But the popular pastime is riddled with risks, as noted in a new Monterey County Civil Grand Jury report that accuses Seaside of not doing enough to prohibit the “year-round” use of illegal fireworks.

Addressing what some say is a “significant and ongoing issue,” the report was triggered by a resident’s complaint of “indifference” to the problem by city officials.

The report contends that “illegal fireworks create loud, explosive noises, add to the risk of potential fires, create a nuisance, and are potentially hazardous to people and property.”

The report suggests the city isn’t dedicating enough money or resources to the problem — and the efforts it is taking aren’t working.

“Limited resources have been allocated to address the issue,” the report reads. “City efforts to reduce illegal fireworks use appear to have minimal effect.”

While the report didn’t specify what types of fireworks are causing the problem, the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives describes “M-80s, M-100s, quarter sticks, cherry bombs, silver salutes, etc.” as “inherently dangerous.”

Safe vs. dangerous

Unlike most of its neighbors, Seaside allows “safe and sane” fireworks during designated days of the year. Marina also permits safe and sane fireworks. So what fireworks are deemed safe and sane? Cal Fire publishes a list of hundreds of fireworks that have been approved by the California State Fire Marshal, and in general, don’t explode or fly. Some have been around for decades, like sparklers, candles, wheels, spinners, fountains and Piccolo Petes. Since fireworks play such an important role in Independence Day celebrations, many have patriotic names like Old Glory, Real American Pride and Let Freedom Ring. Others have clever names like the Climbing Panda and the Bug Zapper.

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County planning commission decides to stay out of rental dispute

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE OWNERS of a home in Corral de Tierra want to rent it out for short-term stays, but the neighborhood's homeowners group doesn't like the idea, and this week the Monterey County Planning Commission voted 9-0 not to let the short-term rental proceed.

"The county can't approve a permit once a complaint from a homeowners' group has been made," county planner Phil Angelo explained.

Planning commissioner Martha Diehl agreed. "The bottom line is that this is a community issue that needs to be solved in your local community," Diehl said.

Owned by Geert Rosseel and Tracy Powell, the home is located at 282 Corral De Tierra. The six-bedroom residence was bought by the couple last year, and they want to live there part-time. Before the vote, the applicants' attorney, Melissa Balough, argued that the homeowners'

group, the Alta Tierra Association, doesn't qualify as one.

"We question whether the Alta Tierra Association is a homeowner association," Balough said. "There are certain steps that haven't happened here."

Somebody else's decision

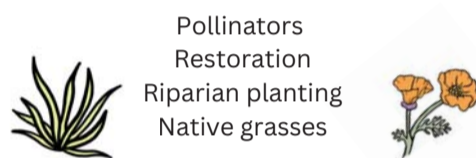
Planning commissioner Amy Roberts said it's not up to the planning commission to make a determination about the homeowners' group. "Whether it's formal or informal, that's for somebody else to decide," Roberts countered.

Even if the group qualifies as a homeowners' association, the permitting of STRs "falls outside their scope of authority," Balough contended.

The lawyer suggested that the county is "getting into the middle" of the dispute by "restricting the use" of the property and imposing an "unlawful restriction" on her

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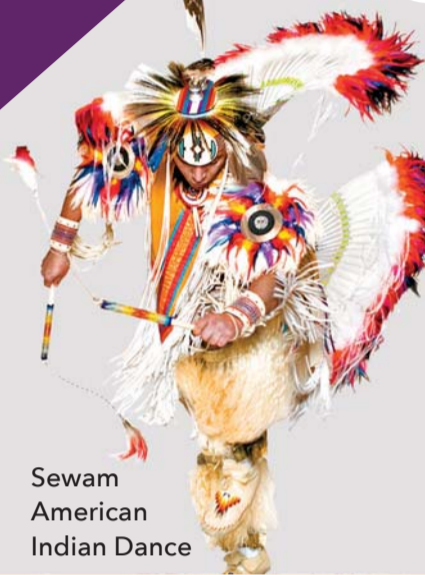
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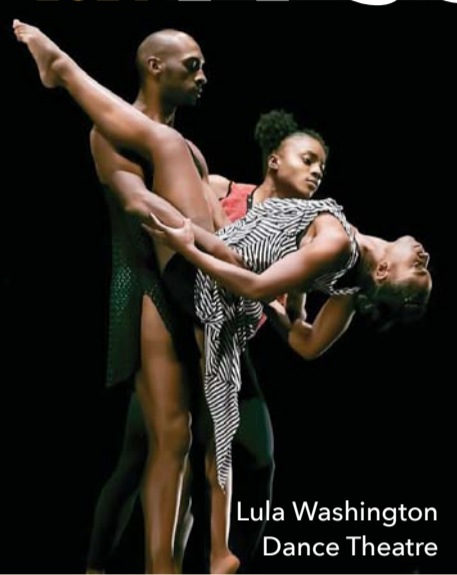
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Smart scanners will make it easier to locate people under water

By CHRIS COUNTS

JUST IN time for summer, rescue workers will have another tool in their arsenal to help save the lives of those who get in trouble splashing around in the county's lakes and in the ocean.

The Monterey County Sheriff's Office and Monterey County Parks have each been gifted an Aqua Eye underwater scanning device, which uses sonar to locate someone in the water who is in trouble. The devices — which can scan an acre underwater in about two minutes — are powered by rechargeable batteries and cost about \$5,000 each.

The devices were donated to the county by Clinica de Salud del Valle de Salinas, which operates 13 medical clinics in Monterey County. The CEO of the company

that makes the devices, Carlyn Loncaris, said they will increase the county's water rescue capabilities and help avoid tragedies.

The local need is obvious — rarely does a year go by without someone drowning near Monastery Beach, Garrapata Beach or Rocky Point. According to the Centers for Disease Control, there are about 4,000 drownings each year in the United States.

"Water rescue is hard, and especially difficult in water that isn't clear," explained Loncaris, who said the devices will make it possible "to more quickly locate missing people and save lives."

Helping to bring closure

Besides helping to locate those who are in trouble in the water, the devices will help bring closure to those who



A new device that will soon be put into use locally will aid with water rescues, as well as recoveries of those who have drowned.

have lost someone in a water-related accident by locating the body — which can be a lengthy and arduous task. A diver who drowned in Pacific Grove in February, for instance, wasn't found for six days.

"This device can reduce the time for recovery from days and hours to minutes," said Max Cuevas, Clinica's chief executive officer, who spoke about the devices at the Monterey County Board of Supervisors' May 16 meeting. "Recovering a loved who has drowned is a most difficult time and process for anyone."

The devices will be used by the sheriff's office's search and rescue team and the county's park rangers, who conduct surface patrols and emergency responses at Lake San Antonio.

Supervisor Chris Lopez thanked Cuevas and the clinic for the donation, which he called "forward-thinking." "We want to make sure that as we think about the lakes, as we think about the Salinas River, where we unfortunately did have a loss last year, that we have these tools well deployed throughout county to respond," Lopez said.

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BRANCH

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permission to cut the limb.

But Krista Ostoich, who represents Presse, said he and his wife, Anna, live in Texas and visit their home for one week each month. She said she learned just days before the hearing that the limb removal was on the agenda, and that Presse is too old to use Zoom to participate virtually and couldn't get there in person on such short notice.

She also complained that Hallock removed the fence that had been there for 28 years and said Presse might file a lawsuit to lay claim to the strip of land he believed was his before Hallock had her lot surveyed.

"We have an out-of-state owner, like you have all throughout the City of Carmel, and I was in talks with Ms. Hallock, and lo and behold, before my client could even come to Carmel to view what was happening, Ms. Hallock went in and unilaterally removed the fencing," she said.

Ostoich said that because Presse might sue for prescriptive easement, if the forest and beach commission allowed the limb to be removed at the trunk of the tree, it would effectively be deciding that's where the property line is.

Presse is not worried about the one branch, "he's worried about it being taken off all the way to the tree trunk and the city action defining where the property line is if he was to file a quiet title action to assert prescriptive rights over this area they have maintained as their own for the last 28 years," Ostoich said.

The attorney also said she asked for the hearing to be

delayed but was denied by someone named "Louise" in the forestry department.

"My client is elderly, and he's just not capable of getting on Zoom," she explained.

Public works director Bob Harary asked if her clients would object if the limb were cut 4 feet from the trunk, in line with the former fence.

"At that point, they wouldn't have much to say about it," she said. "They just simply want a little time to see if they can work out this issue of what would be a prescriptive easement."

Hallock pleaded with the commission to end the debate.

"I think she and her client have had more than enough time to take legal action that they deem worthy, and they have not," she said. "There is no dispute of the property line. I think we've had plenty of time. I'm just trying to take a limb off a tree next to my house."

'Very spry'

Commissioner Sarah Berling asked Ostoich, "Does he really care about that branch?"

Ostoich responded that it's hard to know because he hasn't been there to look at it.

"But he comes every month," Berling said.

"We were just told on Monday that this was being included," Ostoich said.

"But he must know the branch," Berling continued.

"Ma'am, he's in his 80s, it's on the side of his property — he doesn't walk around," Ostoich began, with Berling interrupting to say, "So am I."

"You look like a very spry woman," Ostoich remarked.

At that point, Hallock stood up to say that she didn't

feel she was being fairly represented in the debate, and she noted the owners have in the past topped the acacia to preserve their view.

"I have done everything I was supposed to do," she said. "They have been pruning without any kind of permit. They've sent their yard man up the tree. I'm just asking for one limb to be pruned. I have given you all kinds of reasons."

Rather than put the matter to bed, commissioners voted 4-1, with Berling dissenting, to delay the decision a month to allow Presse to make it to the hearing.

FATAL

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of the van was transported to a local hospital for his injuries. Unfortunately, he was later pronounced deceased at the hospital. We are looking for a silver vehicle with major front-end damage."

According to emergency workers' radio traffic and CHP dispatch, the silver car and the 1988 VW van appeared to have been involved in a road-rage incident that started on the Fremont Street onramp, where the drivers were braking erratically. Pack then slowed to let the silver car merge, and that vehicle ran into him.

The violent crash threw Pack from the van, which overturned but ultimately landed on its wheels, according to radio traffic and CHP dispatch. The highway patrol's initial accident report indicated he had not been wearing a seatbelt. Emergency workers administered CPR on the driver until an ambulance arrived to take him to the trauma unit at Natividad Medical Center, where he later died. The Monterey Coroner's Office released the name of the victim Thursday.

Closed for hours

The wreck spread debris across the highway, forcing a shutdown of southbound lanes that detoured traffic through Monterey for several hours. The destroyed van was towed away to be stored as evidence, and the highway finally reopened just after 8 p.m.

Dispatch information suggested the investigation led authorities to an address on Cachagua Road, but nothing further was available, and on Thursday, Madueño issued a call for help in the case.

"We are asking for the community's help with this fatal hit-and-run crash," she said. "If you were in the area and have information on the identification of the silver vehicle or identification of the driver, please contact the California Highway Patrol Monterey Area Office 24 hours a day at (831) 796-2160."

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P.G. schools launch survey to help find new supe

By KELLY NIX

WHILE THE Pacific Grove school board searches for a new superintendent, it's asking parents, students, teachers and others what kinds of qualities they want the new leader to possess.

Pacific Grove Unified School District last week notified parents and others of a new online survey that will be available until June 12. In March, Superintendent Ralph Porras, who spent 16 years working at PGUSD, announced his resignation, which is effective June 30.

"To ensure this is a collaborative process, the board is

providing this survey and encourages your participation," the board said in a May 25 email message. "We have requested that consultants from Leadership Associates, who are assisting the board with the search, solicit input from students, staff, parents, and community."

It also asks people to rank, in order of importance, the "professional experiences" they believe are most important for the next PGUSD superintendent to possess. The options include experience in public education, either teaching or administration, experience as a superintendent in a "comparable" district, a "proven track record of growing academic achievement" for students.

The category "Desired professional leadership characteristics," asks survey takers to rank what's most important for a new district leader, including a someone who is a "strong instructional leader who will maintain and improve student achievement gains," someone who's a "people person," and someone who is "accessible to parents and staff."

To take the survey, go to www.pgusd.org.



Petie M. McCoy

Maiden name Earline Marie Eckstine. Daughter of Earl M. "Pete" and Anna M. Eckstine, sister to Mary and Earl M. "Bunky" Eckstine.

B 4/29/1936 in Newport, Rhode Island. D 5/21/2023 in Marina, California.

Followed family with the U.S. Navy to Key West, Florida; San Diego and San Francisco before settling in Monterey. She graduated from Monterey High School in 1955. Career waitress at many restaurants on the peninsula, most recently retired from Grandma's Kitchen in Monterey.

Petie was a fan of the San Francisco Giants. She took great pleasure in visiting with her friends and neighbors and being a part of her family's life.

Survivors: son, David Patrick Palmer of Marina; grandmother to James David Palmer of Willamina, Oregon, and Anna Marie Stevens of Monterey; and four great-grandchildren.

No services. No contributions. Tip that waitress!

JANET LYNNE COLE

Janet Lynne Cole, born January 1st, 1951, passed away peacefully on May 22, 2023, in Burbank, CA.

Her father was in the military and, as a young girl, she and her family frequently moved from base to base throughout the U.S., including Washington, D.C. and Hawai'i (which she adored).



Janet was a strong, independent woman who, as a single woman, raised two awesome boys on a several hundred acre estate while working at Fort Hunter Liggett.

She cherished being a wife, sister, aunt, friend and most of all, a mom.

Janet and Preston lived in Carmel Valley for many years. She became involved in the community as a volunteer as well as a successful small business owner.

She was a force of nature with a fabulous laugh and a heart of gold. She had an amazing effect on everyone she met in her life.

Janet is survived by her two doting sons, Jeremy and James; her siblings, Randy (Linda) Cobb of Hollister, David (Debi) Cobb of Nebraska, Sondra (Niall) Rogers of Florida and Chris (Ruth) Cobb of Atascadero; many beloved grandchildren and nieces/nephews. She was preceded in death by the love of her life, her husband, Preston, and her loving father, Billy.

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WILLIAM ROBERT BEKKER

March 7, 1928 - March 18, 2023

William (Bill) Robert Bekker aged 95, passed away in his sleep on March 18th with his family by his side.

Bill was born in Rotterdam, Holland, to Gretchen and Guillermo Bekker. As a very young boy his family relocated to Argentina, South America where his father was a key figure in bringing Coca Cola Bottling Co. to that country.

His love of country and service began at the young age of 17 when he joined the United States Merchant Marine, afterwards enlisting in the U.S. Army where he served until his retirement in 1965.

His enlistment in the Army took him on tours to Japan, Hawaii and several deployments to France. On one of those assignments in France, he met and married Ginette Irene Valis, in Saintes, France. They began their family in Europe where their children, Michael, Linda and Vivian, were born and had their last child, Mark, while stationed in Hawaii. His last assignment was at Fort Ord, CA.

Upon his retirement he owned and operated Elsa's Coffee Shoppe, in Pacific Grove. Then in 1972 he purchased the Green Lantern Motel in Carmel. He enjoyed his time as an innkeeper for many years.

One of his greatest enjoyments was the game of tennis. He was an avid tennis player who belonged to Meadowbrook Tennis Club and Carmel Valley Racquet Club and he was well known for his wicked left-handed slice. He loved the game and the many friends that he made.

After the loss of his wife, Ginette, in 1996, Bill found love again with Annie Palma.

He is survived by Annie; his children, Michael Bekker, Linda Harvey (Scott), Vivian Brito, and Mark Bekker (Amy), plus extended family, Bob Palma (Janelle) and Tisha Nichols (Mark); and a combined total of 12 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren who all lovingly referred to him as "Poppy."

In lieu of flowers, the family request donations be made to Meals on Wheels of the Monterey Peninsula or your favorite charity.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held at 1 p.m. on June 9th at the Chapel in San Carlos Cemetery, Monterey.

JOHN JOSEPH MARTIN

1922 ❖ 2022

Our beloved father, John Joseph Martin, left us peacefully on May 2nd. John was born July 7, 1922, in Brooklyn, N.Y. to Irish parents, Walter Joseph Martin and Mary Frances Tracy. His father worked on the Staten Island ferry as a captain. John was a big Brooklyn Dodgers fan and lived very close to Ebbets Field. He attended Catholic schools and served as an altar boy. He attended St. John's University in New York before joining the war cause. After several attempts to join the Navy failed due to poor eyesight, he was inducted into the U.S. Army during WWII and saw active duty in the Philippines with an armored division. After the war, using the GI Bill, he attended Columbia University to obtain his degree as well as the University of Colorado at Boulder where he earned his teaching credential.



After his college studies were completed, he became an elementary school teacher in the Santa Cruz school district between the years 1950 to 1955. He met a recent UCLA graduate, Loretta Cleveland, who was a fellow Santa Cruz teacher and they transferred to the Monterey school district after they married in Capitola, where he resided. After the birth of their first son, Gregory (Greg), they took advantage of an Army program which brought in teachers from the United States to teach at the U.S. military base schools in Germany. They spent two years there during which time, their second son, Lawrence (Larry), was born. They returned to the Monterey Peninsula and lived in Pacific Grove, welcoming two daughters, Clare and Patricia (Tricia), until building a house in the Carmel Valley in 1964.

John and Loretta had the original Airbnb idea of renting out their home for two consecutive summers in the early 1970s to embark on summer-long camping trips to Canada which included their four children, a dog, and a canoe on top of their Rambler station wagon. Upon John's divorce he moved to Carmel-by-the-Sea where he resided for 30 years until moving to his final home, the Hacienda Carmel, where he lived for 16 years.

John was very active during his long retirement, joining Sierra Club activities, volunteering at the Carmel Art Association, the Dixieland Festival, the Carmel Bach Festival and taking many classes at MPC through the Gentrain program. Additionally, he enjoyed extensive traveling to such countries as Ireland, Italy, Spain, Portugal, England, Greece and Mexico. His astounding ability to retain knowledge and recollect events in his life in addition to his great ability at storytelling amazed those that were lucky enough to know him.

John is survived by his former wife, Loretta, and his four children, Gregory (Mary), Lawrence (Danielle), Clare and Patricia (Jeffrey); in addition to seven grandchildren, Burl Smith, Dawn Martin, Natalie Drew, Emily Martin, Nicole Bryant, Kevin Novak and Regan Miller; and seven great-grandchildren.

Our family would like to extend our thanks and appreciation for all the loving care Dad received from Ida Corby-DeMaagd of Seniors Helping Seniors and her wonderful team of caregivers, Jan, Greg, Brenda, Cerise and Larry.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. June 27th at the Carmel Mission Basilica. Private burial will take place following Mass at San Carlos Cemetery in Monterey.

Truck takes out C.V. Road power pole

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE DRIVER of a large Nissan truck was taken to the hospital and Carmel Valley Road was shut down Sunday afternoon after he crashed into a power pole near Carmelo preschool while driving east-bound and overturned.

On May 28 around 2:12 p.m., drivers called 911 to report the truck, a white Nissan Titan, had hit the pole and come to rest on its side, with the driver still inside, according to California Highway Patrol public information officer Jessica Madueño, who did not provide the name, age or city of residence of the driver. The impact brought the pole and wires down across

the road, blocking all the lanes until crews could deenergize the lines and cut the pole.

Firefighters extricated the driver from the smashed truck, and an ambulance crew took him to a local hospital for treatment of his injuries, which Madueño did not specify.

The road reopened a little over an hour later, with cars diverted around the fallen pole and wires, only briefly closing again so the smashed truck could be removed. PG&E took over the scene at 6:30 p.m. and worked through the night to repair the pole and wires, and trucks, equipment and workers were still on scene well into Monday as they secured several poles and lines in the area.




A truck smashed into a power pole on Carmel Valley Road and landed on its side Sunday afternoon, shutting down traffic and sending the driver to the hospital.

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RENTALS

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At the May 30 workshop, following a quick poll to see which audience members were tenants, owners, property managers, realtors or other interested parties, the groups broke into breakout sessions to answer questions about their initial thoughts, what information should be included in an inventory and what should be omitted, and what else needs to be known.

Participating online, realtor Becky Jones, who lives in Monterey and owns several rentals there, worried about the unintended consequences.

"As a landlord, I haven't raised rents on my tenants for years," she said. "I will now. I think that's a consequence," since landowners will try to buffer themselves from rent control and may make other changes while those transactions are still private.

She also speculated investors who own rentals will offload them, leading to fewer available units, and others who would otherwise buy income-generating properties may think twice. Jones worried about privacy issues, as well — a concern echoed by many others at the meeting.

"I've lived in the City of Monterey for many years and have multiple properties and am really disappointed to see it going this way," she said.

Aubrey Young said the inventory might help her determine whether continuing to live and work on the Peninsula is a viable option, and Laura Nagel said it could

connect renters and landlords and might force those with older units to ensure they're in good shape.

Another speaker asked what the city is doing about the water issue, which is preventing property owners from adding units and building on vacant lots. She said the city should take owners' expenses into account and wondered why, if the registry benefits tenants, the landlords should have to pay for it.

Many participants, including Audrey Wardwell, asked how having a registry would benefit the community, and several speakers observed that compiling a list of rentals would do nothing to reduce the housing shortage.

But renter Cora Panturad said the registry would be "an excellent first step."

"We can't fix something we're not monitoring," she said, including "rents that are becoming more and more unaffordable."

What's the point?

When city staffers shared the thoughts compiled from their breakout groups, the majority of the comments were negative. Many felt the inventory is not needed and wondered what its purpose is. They also said it could hurt renters, damage tenant-landlord relationships, create bureaucracy, drive rents higher, invade privacy and make personal information vulnerable to hackers or available for public access.

One group described it as a "time suck and distraction to staff" who should be using their effort and energy to develop new housing, and some speculated landlords would rather sell their properties than deal with the registry. Others could convert their apartments to condos to take them off the rental market.

A few participants had positive comments, including that the data would "give us information to make responsible decisions about the community" and that the inventory might actually strengthen tenant-landlord relationships while increasing transparency.

As far as what information should be included, of course, those who oppose the whole idea said none.

"Our group generally didn't want a rental registry and wanted all information omitted," said one representative.

"Similar comments from my group," said another. "They wanted to know to whom the information would be helpful, and they thought emergency contact for the property is the only thing the city should require."

Others said a registry should only contain what's already publicly available, but some suggested requiring square footage and other basic physical information about the units, tenant turnover rates, vacancy rates, rent increases, costs per square foot in different parts of the city, properties' market values, and tenants' incomes.

Many did not want leases uploaded to any kind of database or any personal information included in the registry.

In an open letter, Lawrence Samuels of the local Libertarian Party condemned "Monterey's fascist-like registry due to its spying capabilities that can easily undermine citizens' property rights," and said it would be used to generate more dollars for the city.

At the end of the town hall, Cole didn't respond to comments but said her staff "will analyze the information to start to draft a rental inventory ordinance."

"It will probably be in front of the city council this summer," she said.

Also on May 30, Danny Little, an attorney with Noland, Hamerly, Etienne & Hoss, sent a notice to clients and others informing them that the City of Salinas' rental registry,

which was made law in April, requires owners, sublessors and property managers to register their rentals, including all single-family homes, apartments and most accessory dwelling units by June 18.

They must provide contact information for the landlord, the address or APN of the property, the number of bedrooms and bathrooms in the unit, its square footage, the landlord's business license number, and the name and contact information of the property manager. Landlords will also be asked, but not required, to disclose monthly rents and whether utilities are included, whether their units are occupied, and whether the rents are subsidized. The annual cost of registration starts at \$20 per unit and scales down as the number of rentals per owner increases. The fee cannot be passed on to tenants.

"The ordinance's ostensible purpose is to 'allow the city to collect, monitor and analyze the characteristics of the residential rental units and actual rents in Salinas to support the city's housing goals and protect public health, safety and welfare for city residents,'" Little said.

The new law requires storing the data in a secured database "that can be used to generate reports about the citywide rental market," but which will keep individuals' information confidential and immune to PRA requests.

How private?

However, the new law "specifically permits the community development director, in consultation with the city attorney, to authorize the release of otherwise confidential information if legally required or if 'public interest in disclosure would clearly outweigh'" the right to privacy, he said.

The registry will also allow the city to crack down on landlords who don't hold business licenses and are therefore not paying city taxes on their earnings.

"One of the notable provisions of the ordinance is the requirement that all landlords must obtain a business license for any unit subject to registration under the ordinance," he wrote. "Consequently, we anticipate that the city will prioritize comparing the rental registry to its business license records to ensure landlords are meeting the registration and fee obligations of both programs."

And while the deadline to register is just weeks away, he said little information is available to the public.

"City officials have stated they view the registry as a starting point for the city's further involvement in landlord-tenant relations," he said, and some observers have speculated that it is "laying the foundation for a citywide rent stabilization or control program, similar to those in San Jose and San Francisco."

He said Salinas' new law is prompting other cities, including Monterey, to consider similar registries.

GAVEL

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investigation revealed that Norteño criminal street gang members within the city of Salinas were systematically killing random, unsuspecting people. The Norteño gang members referred to the process of looking for and killing random people as "hunting." Gang members would receive certification or formal acceptance into the gang for killing a person perceived to be a rival Sureño gang member, though it was never required that the victims be rival gang members. The REDRUM investigation resulted in numerous Norteño gang members being charged by the Monterey County District Attorney's Officer for murder and attempted murder for the benefit of a gang.

On March 23, 2022, Luis Atayde, another target of this investigation, was found guilty and sentenced to 50 years to life for the Feb. 11, 2017, murder of John Rodzach at the Hebron Heights Community Center.

This case was investigated by officer Byron Gansen and Sgt. Chris Lane (now retired) of the Salinas Police Department with the assistance of district attorney investigator Jennifer Mendoza and Salinas Police detective Robert Miller. Gansen also received an award by the California Police Officers Association in September 2021 for his involvement in the REDRUM investigation.

SCOUT

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the current fiscal year ends June 30.

And in a battle over an awkward property on Eighth Avenue between Junipero and Mission that's been waged for nearly two decades, the owners are asking the city to OK a permit for a fence in the public right of way that was approved by the planning commission in 2005. The council denied the request in April 2022 by a 3-2 vote but subsequently voted 3-2 in May to reconsider it. More than a year later, the proposal will be before the council again.

Other business on the June 6 agenda includes several contracts, and update on the Design Traditions 1.5 project, and appointments to the Harrison Memorial Library board and the planning commission.

The council meeting is scheduled to begin at 4:30 p.m. and will be held in person at city hall on Monte Verde south of Ocean and online via Zoom. For more information, including the full agenda and how to participate, visit ci.carmel.ca.us.

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ARTILLERY

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were ready for live firing exercises. The men trained on various weapons, from anti-aircraft machine guns and artillery pieces to personal weapons like the M-1.”

Hauk told The Pine Cone that the group should be “memorialized with a plaque or some other substantial way of remembering.”

Some members of the 54th, Hauk said in the article, had played baseball in the Negro leagues, and while stationed in Pacific Grove, the soldiers and local players “forgot their color differences and decided to, literally, play ball together, despite the war. They created what they called the Twilight League, ‘twilight’ because when darkness came, all lights were turned off to prevent an easy target for Japanese naval bombardments.”

‘100 percent’

Derrick Williams, founder and executive director of the Seaside-based Black Leader and Allies Collaborative said he and his group are “100 percent” in support of a memorial for the 54th regiment, calling it a way of celebrating their contributions to the community.

“History, in my opinion, should incorporate fully the narratives and perspectives of those who were present,” Williams said.

Mike Gibbs, a member of the city’s economic development commission who operates the P.G. Lives blogsite with his wife, Peggy, urged city manager Ben Harvey to consider a plaque for the regiment.

“I am researching to find out if any of the soldiers listed in Hauk’s article who came back to Pacific Grove after the war have any living family members still in P.G.,” Gibbs told The Pine Cone. “I would like to follow up and hear their stories.”

Darcie Fohrman and Geva Arcanin, Pacific Grove residents and members of COAST, a group that wants to save the NOAA building and its colorful mural from demolition, said they would also like to see the men of the regiment memorialized at Pt. Pinos.

“Their role in the military and their presence in P.G. should be recognized and honored,” said Fohrman, who has designed museum exhibits across the country.

“The Army’s all-Black, 54th Coast Artillery men deserve special and public recognition — they fought under the difficulty of a segregated Army,” Arcanin noted.

The NOAA property is privately owned now, so placing a plaque there would be complicated. However, a memorial could

be placed at the city’s nearby lighthouse, which gets a lot of foot traffic and is also relevant to the regiment’s history.

According to historical records, in the days after Pearl Harbor, blackouts were imposed up and down the coast, and Carmel was briefly ordered evacuated. On Dec. 18 and 20, Japanese submarines attacked ships off the coast of Monterey. Oregon and Santa Monica were shelled by the submarines.

Old guns

The Pine Cone, in its editions of Dec. 12 and 19, 1941, carried elaborate instructions on how to comply with blackout orders, what to do if your house was set on fire, and how to release a downed pilot from his parachute. Ominous headlines included, “Three Carmel High School Boys Enlist,” “Navy Needs Men 17-50” and “Total Blackout Brings Surprises.”

In 2009, the Heritage Society of Pacific

Grove told The Pine Cone about its steps to locate the 54th’s regiment’s 155mm guns and display them on the lighthouse grounds to honor their vital role in deterring a Japanese invasion of California. The effort never got off the ground.

Also in 2009, then-Democratic Rep. Sam Farr addressed his colleagues in the House of Representatives about the regiment.

“Armed initially with old guns and wearing uniforms left over from World War I, the men of the 54th served with pride and dedication,” Farr said.

He also announced a memorial plaque at the site of the men’s post in Santa Cruz. The plaque, organized by the Santa Cruz Women’s Club, says, “In honor of the all-Black 54th Coast Artillery Army Regiment that aided in protecting the California Coast from enemy attack during World War II,” and it names the members of the Santa Cruz regiment.

LIBRARY GETS AWARD FROM CRA

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

IT MAY be an institution and a building, but that didn’t stop the Carmel Residents Association from bestowing a “Lifetime Achievement Award” on the Carmel Public Library last month.

Representing the group, Tom Parks presented a certificate stating that the library “serves over 100,000 people” and continues to win awards for its high usage and services to library director Ashlee Wright at the Carmel Woman’s Club May 18.

Harrison Memorial Library opened in 1928 at Lincoln and Ocean and “is where

we meet or read in a safe and friendly environment,” the certificate says, while the local history room and the children’s library in the Park Branch at Mission and Sixth are valuable, as well.

“The community enrichment provided to us all is also not just buildings, their services and programs — it is the people,” the award explains.

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Greene to present 'Portrait of Harriet'

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

REBEKAH GRIFFIN Greene is a bassist, cellist, pianist and composer with advanced degrees in bass performance, composition and music education from USC and the State University of New York at Stony Brook. She wanted to play the violin, but her teacher at Forest Grove Elementary in Pacific Grove misunderstood her and presented her with a towering bass and a bow. For about five minutes, Greene felt overwhelmed and disappointed. Yet, quickly drawn to the feel of the bass, she fell in love with it.

'A homecoming'

The Stevenson graduate will present "A Portrait of Harriet," a performance piece on abolitionist and activist Harriet Tubman, at Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula on Sunday, June 11, at 4 p.m. Admission is free.

Greene, 49, remained in New York after her graduation from Stony Brook. She and her husband — composer, trombonist and voice actor Terry L. Greene II — are raising their two young children while composing, performing and teaching music.

"I wouldn't call myself famous, but my music is out there," said Greene. "A chamber piece I wrote in 2002 — a lower string piece for viola, cello and bass — has literally made the rounds internationally. I get emails requesting the sheet music. It's so gratifying when I hear they loved my piece and played it in Austria or Germany or Japan or Brazil."

That chamber piece — "Short Mass for String Trio" — found its way into the hands of the conductor at the Alabama School of Fine Arts in Birmingham, a performing arts high school for artistically gifted children. He contacted Greene and asked if she'd like to do an orchestral piece, and the

result was "A Portrait of Harriet," a multimedia performance of spoken-word poetry, instrumental music and interpretive dance first performed last fall. Greene called its local debut "a homecoming."

In developing the piece, she worked



Rebekah Griffin Greene pays tribute to abolitionist Harriet Tubman with a multi-media performance June 11.

with Ashley M. Jones, the first Black poet laureate of Alabama and the youngest person to receive the honor. She's also a member of the writing faculty and a graduate of the Alabama School of Fine Arts.

Choosing a hero

"In choosing a female African-American hero on which to base our multimedia piece, Ashley and I suggested Harriet Tubman," said Greene. "When Ashley was 9 years old and already a poet, she dressed up as Harriet and recited a poem about her in school. We later learned that 2022 is the estimated bicentennial of her birth."

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floor,” Panholzer said. “They conducted a search for anyone still in the building and determined it was vacant.”

But when the building became unsafe due to the risk of collapsing, firefighters had to retreat and concentrate on fighting the fire from the outside.

“We then used larger hose lines and the ladder trucks to apply water to the fire,” he explained.

While it was under control within roughly three hours, Panholzer said they had firefighters working on it until late Saturday morning.

“The home was heavily damaged by the fire and is unsafe to enter at this time,”

he said. “It will be up to the owners, their insurance company, and the Pacific Grove building official to determine the fate of the building. I suspect it’ll be torn down.”

Tragedy and Hollywood

The once lovely Queen Anne home was built in 1895 by George Brandt and has been owned by the LaPorte family since the 1930s, according to Heritage Society of Pacific Grove records.

In 1944, three men were killed when a Navy Torpedo bomber crashed on the grounds, narrowly missing the mansion. And in 1959, the LaPorte home played the role of an inn on the coast of Maine in the celebrated dramatic film, “A Summer Place,” starring Troy Donohue and Sandra Dee. The mansion was also featured in the 1973 horror movie, “The Devil’s Daughter,” starring Shelley Winters.

STR

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client. In response, planning commissioner Kate Daniels observed that the permit is discretionary.

“It’s not a right to have an STR,” Daniels said. “You have to come in and apply for a permit.”

The Alta Tierra Association voted May 4 that it was objecting to Rosseel’s application because “water use for short term rentals / transient use is not a domestic use of water and is not permitted under the water use agreement dated Oct. 29, 1963.” The group was formed that year “to maintain the common road and water system,

and discuss other matters of neighborhood concern.”

Rosseel and Powell had originally sought an administrative permit, but six letters opposing the use of the home as an STR elevated the issue to the planning commission, which hosted a hearing April 12. Due to questions about whether the property is subject to a homeowner’s association, and whether the project had been properly noticed, the hearing was continued.

In its denial of the application, the planning commission also determined that to be considered a homeowners’ association, a group does not need to be formally incorporated. Instead, the group only needs binding recorded covenants and a common interest development.

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Stevenson, Carmel face adversity and stress with grace — and win

POISE UNDER pressure is a learned skill — an unwritten part of the curriculum at Carmel and Stevenson high schools, where the athletic directors and coaches encourage their student-athletes to step out of their comfort zones and experience multiple sports, rather than specializing year-round in their best or favorite.

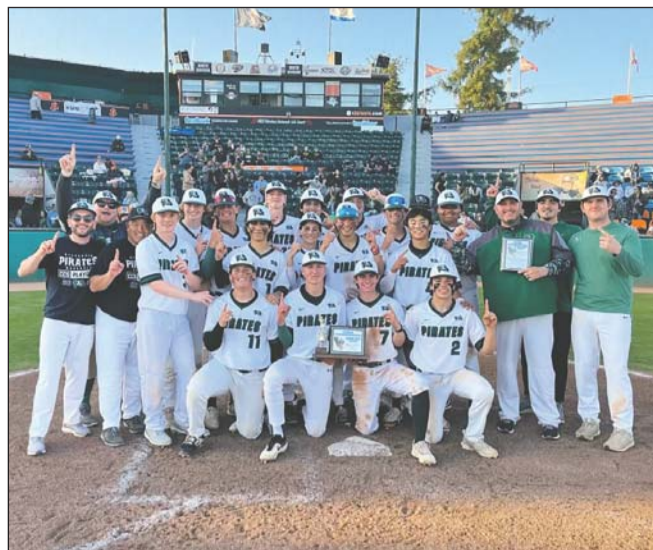
In theory, that philosophy exposes young athletes to an endless variety of teachable moments, learning to face

And on Tuesday of this week, both successfully sailed through uncharted territory: Carmel (19-12) defeated Pioneer 3-1 to advance to the semifinal round of the NorCal Division 3 tournament, and Stevenson (20-4) traveled to San Jose to beat Santa Teresa 5-1, advancing to NorCal's Division 4 semis.

"We've been in challenging games throughout our season, and we just got used to playing something close to mistake-free baseball when the pressure was on," said Carmel coach Mike Kelly, whose team busted up Saturday's 0-0 pressure cooker with a four-run outburst in the top of the sixth inning, then staved off Branham's response to hold on for a 4-2 victory.

"Our guys have gotten used to those tense moments, and embraced the idea that when your number is called, you've got to get it done — you've got to make the play when the big moment presents itself," said Kelly, who won his eighth CCS championship since 1996, but his first since 2007. That 16-year drought included Kelly's 11-year semiretirement as Carmel's head coach.

In scoreless games, big moments are greatly amplified.



PHOTO/JOEL FRICKER

The Stevenson Pirates embrace their trophy after crushing Alisal 12-2 on May 25 to win the CCS Division 6 crown.

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

adversity and high-tension challenges with the kind of grace that was on display at last week's Central Coast Section baseball tournament, where both schools won championship trophies.

The Carmel Padres won the CCS Division 3 crown on Saturday, drawing from a deep well of experience to upset top-seeded Branham (22-8) in spine-tingling fashion.

Two days earlier, Stevenson's Pirates (19-4) captured the Division 6 title — the first CCS baseball trinket in school history — responding to a rocky start with the practiced cool of a team that had been there before. They knew better than to panic, reversed the momentum immediately, and routed Alisal.



PHOTO/DAREN JACKSON

Bobo Landoli leaps atop a pile of jubilant teammates Saturday as the Carmel Padres celebrate their first CCS crown since 2007.

Lefty lets loose

The Padres' best pitcher, senior lefty J.J. Sanchez, was touched for two singles in the first inning, worked out of that jam, and was nearly perfect the rest of the way, retiring 13 Branham hitters in a row at one stretch, striking out five, and walking nobody.

Branham pitcher Nolan Rodriguez, also a senior, was whitewashing Carmel with a no-hitter through five innings. But Carmel shortstop Ty Arnold opened the sixth with a single to break the spell, Jason Lemaster laid down a bunt-single, and Bobo Landoli was hit by a pitch to load the bases with nobody out.

The next batter, Sanchez, hit Rodriguez' first pitch through a drawn-in infield, driving in the first two runs of the game. Then, a hustling Jackson Lloyd was safe at first on a throwing error, enabling Landoli to score, and Zander Lunt followed with a two-out double, allowing pinch-runner Omeed Maroufkhani to score Carmel's fourth run.

After Sanchez was touched for three singles and two Branham runs in the bottom of the sixth, Zander Lunt was summoned to the mound to save the game. Lunt extinguished that fire, but surrendered a leadoff single in the bottom of the seventh.

With nobody out and the tying run at the plate, the junior righthander induced Branham's pinch hitter to hit into a picturesque double-play — shortstop Arnold, to second baseman Lemaster, to first baseman Sanchez.

Lunt then struck out the final batter to preserve the 4-2 victory, recording his third save of the three-game tournament.

"It's just as thrilling as it always was to see a kid make a big play, but I'm not necessarily surprised by it anymore," Kelly said. "Over the years, you see that your players can make clutch plays, and get clutch hits."

"We actually work on that a lot in practice," he said. "We've kind of figured out what we need to do to train our guys to make those kinds of plays when their moment comes."

Strikes out five

In the four and two thirds innings Lunt pitched at CCS — all in relief — he allowed one hit, and struck out five. Sanchez, freshman Matt Maxon (who beat second-seeded St. Francis 3-1 in the semis), and Lunt allowed four earned runs in the three playoff games, during which Carmel

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pitchers achieved a 1.33 combined earned-run average.

Stevenson's 12-2 rout of Alisal (16-11) — shortened to six innings by the 10-run mercy rule — was less dramatic, but wasn't short on heroics, beginning with pitcher Trent Toole, who was nearly untouchable after a challenging first inning.

"I think Trent was feeling some championship-day adrenaline, because he struggled with locating his curveball in the first inning," said Pirates coach Nick Wilcox, a former all-county pitcher.

The senior right-hander — who brought a 7-0 record (plus two saves) and a 1.25 ERA into the game — surrendered three consecutive hits in the opening frame, when Alisal grabbed a 2-0 lead.

But Stevenson's roster is stacked with players with extensive CCS experience in multiple sports, including

four (Toole, Alex Glasscock, Sean Ishii and Rider McCormick) who were playing in their third sectional baseball tournament and second title game.

Making history

Ishii reached base on an Alisal error to lead off the bottom of the first, went to second on Reggie Bell's single, and advanced to third with Toole's deep fly to left field. Glasscock singled to score Ishii, Amani Wilson walked, McCormick knocked in Bell with a sacrifice fly, and Andrew Airada crushed a two-out triple for a 4-2 Pirates lead.

Glasscock's two-out triple drove in two more runs in the second inning for a 6-2 cushion, and the Trojans, first-time finalists, never recovered.

Stevenson added two more in the third, one in the fourth, and finished the beatdown with a three-run sixth.

Airada, Glasscock, Bell and Phinn Thomas had two

hits each, and Glasscock scored three and drove in three RBIs to lead the Pirates, who also played an errorless game on defense.

"I'm extremely proud of these kids and especially happy for our seniors, who lost a year of their high school baseball careers to Covid, then accomplished something no other team in school history has done," Wilcox said.

Victorious at NorCals

Stevenson won its 13th-straight game in Tuesday's NorCal Division 4 quarterfinals, a 5-1 conquest of Santa Teresa on the road.

The Pirates, who trailed 1-0 after four, tied the game with a run in the fifth, then scored four times in the sixth, sparked by a 3-run double by freshman Reggie Bell, and an

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Carmel pitcher Zander Lunt embraces catcher Ethan Jackson after striking out Branham's final batter in Saturday's CCS championship.



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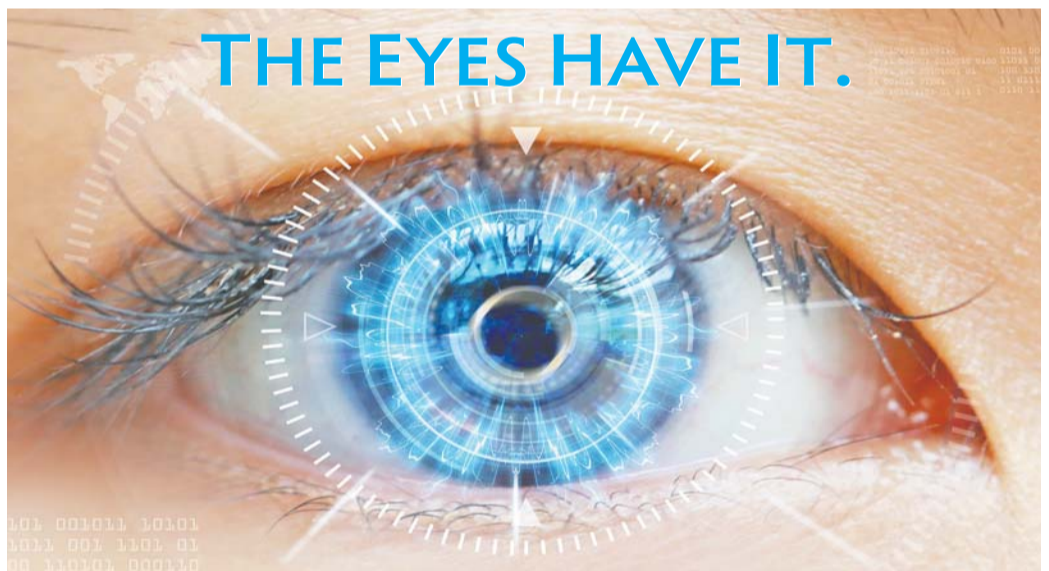
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Editorial

How to create a housing shortage

CALIFORNIA POLITICIANS are really good at choosing the wrong solution to a problem, even when it would be much easier to pick the right one, and nothing better illustrates this phenomenon than the current push to require landlords to register their rental homes and apartments with the government.

The “rental registry” idea is all the vogue in many parts of the country, and now Salinas is doing it, with Monterey considering jumping on the bandwagon, too.

As Mary Schley reports on our front page, setting up such a registry isn’t just a neutral step to help tenants find places to live or make sure landlords are paying their taxes. The purpose goes much deeper than that.

Monterey community development director Kim Cole hinted at the real purpose when she told a public meeting this week that the idea is to help Monterey develop “policies to provide equitable access to affordable housing.”

In Syracuse, N.Y., one official was even more direct when he praised that city’s rental registry, saying its purpose is to “collect data about the number of rental units, the current rent rates, and what housing services are offered — information that’s used to enforce the current rent control or rent stabilization regulations.”

In Palo Alto, where a rental registry is under consideration, a community website says, “city leaders believe it will serve as a foundation for future programs to regulate rents, cap security deposits and expand protections from evictions.”

And a nationwide affordable housing advocacy group recently complained that “most decisions that landlords make about their tenants’ housing situations are never approved, reviewed or even witnessed by an outside party. It’s a system designed for abuse.” The answer: create a rental registry so that landlords can be brought under control.

In other words, registering rentals is more about regulating rents, limiting security deposits, and requiring that evictions only be done for “good” reasons than it is about helping tenants find places to live. But the more you add to landlords’ costs and limit their revenues, the more difficult you make it for them to stay in, or join, the landlord business.

The long history of rent control in the country proves that all it does is create a housing shortage — and the same thing is true of any other regulatory mandate that gets in the way of the free-market relationship between landlords and tenants, or between any business and its customers.

Of course, that landlord-tenant relationship works best when there is plenty of housing available — a situation that provides tenants with lots of options and gives them the power to refuse to pay rents which are too high. But the reverse happens when housing is scarce.

In fact, California’s dire housing shortage is responsible for soaring rents in some parts of the state — rents that have made it impossible for many low-income workers to find homes. But the shortage was caused by government over-regulation of the housing supply. Is the answer to increase regulation of the rental market?

Obviously, the answer is no. If you want to create affordable housing, the solution is to stop requiring it to happen and start letting it happen. To do that, all you have to do is throw rent control, rental registries and eviction protections out the window, along with the onerous zoning and development rules that prevent new housing from being built.

Unless you do all of it, affordable housing will just become more scarce than it is today. Sure, you can take a handful of apartments and force landlords to rent them at below-market rates. The lucky tenants who occupy those apartments will feel like they’ve won the lottery, but everyone else who needs an affordable place to live won’t be able to find one at all.

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“I heard they made so much money off their house in Carmel, they can now afford to live in Seaside.”

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Next election

Dear Editor,

Carmel is one of the greenest cities in America, with our 4,000-square-foot lots and small homes, no streetlights or sidewalks, many sacred trees and the most beautiful beach in the world. All in 1 square mile.

Other than 100 small lots with no water we are built out, which means there is no room for the state’s unconstitutional mandate of finding room for an additional 350 dwellings.

I suggest our city continue a paper charade while simultaneously joining the 80 other California cities fighting this horrible power grab from Sacramento. Anything proposed by the city should be put to a vote at the next general election.

And to any of our esteemed council members who push this any faster than that, I say own it and stand by it at your next election. History shall judge this

pivotal moment moving forward.

Mark Bayne, Carmel

Easy solution

Dear Editor,

I am amused about the latest weekly topic/upheaval in your letters to the editor column. The state’s mandate of 300-plus low-income housing units is now the pro/con topic which has the ink flowing.

It’s a shame that our local/state clowns cannot put on an intellectual thinking cap for said problem.

It’s a very simple solution for the collaboration of all city clowns on the Monterey Peninsula to get together with the other clowns in Sacramento and propose.

1. Fort Ord, 8 miles to the north, is 28,000 acres.

2. California has wasted \$20.6 billion to date on the bullet train to nowhere.

3. Invest some of that bullet train money on a transit system between Fort Ord and all other points on the Monterey Peninsula.

4. Develop/build multiple affordable housing units at Fort Ord.

That would be more than enough to fulfill the state’s required affordable housing units for all cities on the Monterey Peninsula.

Problem solved!

Dennis Ward, Carmel

Suburbs are the answer

Dear Editor,

I grew up in post-World War II New York City. When my father returned from

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THE LPGA IS BORN, BUT ITS TIME AT PEBBLE BEACH IS BRIEF

THE PEBBLE Beach Championship for Women, launched by Marion Hollins in 1923, paused during World War II. In the late 1940s, it resumed attracting top golfers. Mary Sargent, the 1943 Colorado State champion, moved to Pebble Beach at the end of the war and won the 1946, 1947 and 1948 club championships at Monterey Peninsula Country Club.

In the Pebble Beach Championships of 1946 and 1947, Sargent lost to Patty Berg, but in 1948 Sargent defeated state champion Dot Kieley in the semifinals, and Dorothy Traung, a three-time Pebble Beach champion, in the final to add that championship to her resume.

'Giant killer'

At the beginning of 1949, Sargent played in the Florida Women's Golf Circuit before her defense of the Pebble Beach Championship. The competition was stiff. In the qualifying round, Traung was the

the ladies at Pebble Beach, the winds were shifting in women's professional golf.

After winning the 1948 U.S. Women's Open, Mildred "Babe" Zaharias hired Fred Corcoran as her personal manager. Corcoran, who previously led the men's PGA tournaments from 1937 to 1947, began taking control of women's golf. The fledgling Women's Professional Golf Association had created and run the U.S. Women's Open since 1946. Corcoran announced in February 1949 that he negotiated a deal for Zaharias to defend her U.S. Women's Open title in September at the Prince George Golf and Country Club of Landover, Md.

Just before that event, the top women professionals formed the Ladies' Professional Golf Association and signed Corcoran to a three-year contract as their tournament director. The WPGA relinquished control of women's golf to the LPGA.

The LPGA initially reported seven charter members: Berg, Zaharias, Betty Jameson, Helen Hicks, Helen Detweiler, Marilyn Smith and Betty Mims White. Berg was

elected president. Berg, Jameson and Zaharias — the U.S. Women's Open champions respectively in 1946, 1947 and 1948 — had each previously won tournaments at Pebble Beach, as had Helen Hicks. White had been medalist at the 1948 U.S. Women's Amateur at Pebble Beach.

More founders

The 1949 U.S. Women's Open was the LPGA's first event. Louise Suggs won it and she and five other ladies were added to the list of 13 founders of the LPGA. The others were Sally Sessions, who served as the LPGA's first secretary, Opal Hill, Shirley Spork and sisters Alice and Marlene Bauer. Marlene was still a teenager and had won the 1949 U.S. Girls' Junior

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History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

low-scoring medalist at 80. In second and third were a pair of Oregon State co-eds, Edean Anderson and Grace DeMoss. At 19, Anderson was already a five-time Montana State Champion. Sargent was in a three-way tie for fourth at 88.

Barbara Dawson of Piedmont emerged as the giant killer in the championship flight of match play that followed. Dawson defeated Sargent in the first round and Traung in the second to reach the semifinals where her magic ended. DeMoss defeated Dawson 7-up with five holes to play. San Francisco's Roxie Setrakian defeated California Tilden of San Francisco's Presidio course in the other semifinal match. Setrakian had defeated Anderson in the second round. DeMoss won the 1949 Pebble Beach Championship and then won again in 1950. While DeMoss was dominating

Some of the LPGA founders await their tee time at the 1951 Weathervane tournament in Pebble Beach. From left: Irving Vogel, co-owner of Weathervane Clothing and golfers Alice Bauer, Marlene Bauer, Betty McKinnon, Betsy Rawls, Shirley Spork, Betty Bush and Patty Berg.



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A fond farewell to an artist guided by originality and 'Spirit'

A VOICE she called "Spirit" spoke often to Emy Ledbetter, especially as she created art in a style that was uniquely her own and challenging to categorize.

As she painted, her hands and heart experimented skillfully, often playfully, through elements of abstract expressionism, impressionism, cubism, futurism, realism, dynamism — wherever her ethereal muse directed her heart.

She also credited Spirit for guiding her

words. I was able to tap into this though my work. I am a spiritual painter," she wrote on her website, ledbetterart.com (still active). "As I paint, I allow myself to go beyond the normal art expectations and I truly begin to experiment. The technique I developed helped me open up to my inner teachings. There is an inner truth that is within all of us."

She was self-taught — a mixed-media artist with a love of acrylics and a magi-

cal instinct for mixing and matching colors and shapes until a once-blank canvas told her what it wanted to become. Ledbetter rarely painted with a plan — Spirit revealed that as her art

evolved, unveiling faces and apparitions, angels and goddesses, wizards and wise men, ancient holy men, pathways through fantastical forests, and creatures and beings that look real, imaginary, or both at the same time.

"Whoever felt like being painted would just come out," she said.

Pathway to the Peninsula

She was born in New York City — The Bronx — where she lived until her late teens, briefly studying art at Fordham University before landing a job with the FBI at 17.

In 1957, after her brother, Les, was stationed at the Fort Ord military base, the family followed him to the Monterey Peninsula, where Emy, 19, parlayed her FBI experience into a job at the naval air facility at the Monterey Airport.

That's where Emy met a woman named Margarite, who offered her a date with one of her sons.

"Margarite said, 'I have one son who is a jock and another who is an artist — which one do you want to meet?'" Kaja Fortune said. "And obviously, she chose the artist, which was my dad."

Emy dated Ted Ledbetter — a painter who morphed into a photographer — for two years before marrying him at Carmel's Church of the Wayfarer in 1960.

When Ted (Carmel High

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Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

toward solutions in her everyday life.

The plan for today's space was to ask Ledbetter to describe the journey her mind takes as she creates, but attempts to contact her went unrequited until her daughter, Kaja Fortune, called to say that her mother had passed in July, shortly before her 85th birthday.

Ten months later, Fortune apologetically confessed that she still hadn't been able to write the obituary of Emy Ledbetter, who was as original as Monet's "Woman with a Parasol."

'The inner truth is within us'

"The term 'spiritual' means those experiences we have for which there are no



PHOTO/COURTESY OF KAJA FORTUNE

Emy Ledbetter is flanked by her kids, Ted Ledbetter, who passed away in 2019, and Kaja Fortune, who resides on the Peninsula.



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ARTIST

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Class of 1955) enrolled at San Francisco State to major in fine arts, the couple migrated north, and in 1965, they moved again, exchanging city life for an art colony in Menlo Park.

"We lived right on the river, with a sandy beach behind our house and river rock and ferns ... it was perfect," remembered Fortune (Carmel High '84), who was born there in 1966, four years before her brother, Brett (CHS '88), came along.

"It was a little artist community, with a lot of artistic hippies walking around — sometimes naked. We were surrounded by nature, going to all of the art shows, usually in the forest. I loved it there, and I still do," Ledbetter's daughter said.

By 1973, Ledbetter's art was being exhibited in solo and group shows in Palo Alto, Los Altos and Berkeley.

Returning to Carmel

In 1979, the family moved back to Carmel, where Ledbetter's paintings were featured in group shows at the Carl Cherry Foundation, Gallery Americana, Beaches Gallery and Marjorie Evans Gallery in Carmel, Calle Court Gallery in Monterey, and other local spots, as well as multiple venues in the San Francisco Bay Area.

In 2000, she collaborated with a writer to create a deck of "intuitive," tarot-style cards she called "Guardians of Wisdom," each adorned with an original Ledbetter painting.

Ledbetter served a term as vice president of Artists Equity, and she and her husband were directors of the Monterey County Artists Studio Tour in 1991, '92, '93 and '94.

She exhibited her work in her successful business, Ledbetter Gallery, in Morgan Court on Lincoln Street from 1990-1997, selling to collectors from around the world.

Ted drifted away from painting after he became enamored with the photography of Peninsula legend Edward Weston, attended multiple workshops conducted by Steve Crouch and Morley Baer, took photography trips with Ansel Adams, and became a fine-art nature photographer.

Friends and nature

Ledbetter's love affair with Carmel-by-the-Sea was fueled by an enormous, eclectic community of friends and the Peninsula's natural beauty. She watched the sunset from her front porch nearly every night and took walks several days each week on Scenic Road and Carmel Beach.

"She'd wear a sparkly, sequined blue hat and her bell-bottom pants for our walks," said her friend and neighbor, Jody Hansen. "People would notice her and stop us to talk — they just had to know who she was."

Fortune said her mother loved and valued her friendships, near and far — many of which were lifelong — and frequently spent hours on the phone.

Her friends also remember her as an enthusiastic partier.

"She absolutely loved to dance — we would go somewhere and dance all night," recalled Jane Paradise, a close friend who was part of the tribe who surprised her on her 80th birthday with a bash at the American Legion Hall on Dolores Street, featuring one of her favorite groups, The Money Band.

"When my dad passed, she stopped painting for a while. Then, one day, she disappeared into her studio for a while and came out with a painting," Fortune remembered.

Gifts from 'Spirit'

Ledbetter saw her husband's face in the painting, and then, years later, she noticed additional gifts from Spirit: Peering at her from the art — previously unnoticed — were the faces of Fortune and her husband, son, Brett and his wife Becca, and their children, Alabama and Diesel.

Daughter-in-law Becca lost a battle to cancer in October 2019, and Brett (who created one-of-a-kind art pieces using reclaimed wood, died of cancer three months and 20 days later, sending her into an even longer bout of depression.

But she emerged to dance again at Baja Cantina. "She said, 'I can't believe it — I remembered how to dance!'" said Paradise, who was part of that celebration.

And then Spirit moved her to paint again and she remained vibrantly active as an artist until she passed.

In addition to her granddaughter, Alabama, now 20, and grandsons, Diesel, 16, and Dan Husum, 39, Ledbetter had two great-grandchildren, Mason and Ellenor Husum (7 and 1, respectively), a nephew and two nieces — one named Emy.

A six-minute video of Ledbetter discussing her art can be viewed online at youtube.com/watch?v=47cjQNqQe6k, and inquiries about her art can be directed to Ledbetterart-love@gmail.com,

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FIREWORKS

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A few are even named after heavy metal bands, like the Iron Maiden and the Quiet Riot.

The report suggests a multi-lingual public relations campaign is needed to inform people what types of fireworks are allowed, when they can be used, and how much the penalty will be if illegal fireworks are used.

“Broader public outreach in the community is necessary to provide clear and concise messaging,” it states.

According to the grand jury, the city needs to look at unpermitted fireworks as a year-round problem, and not something limited to the July 4 weekend when Americans have traditionally celebrated with fireworks.

“Illegal fireworks use is problematic throughout the year,” the report says. “Anecdotal information from city officials and Seaside residents confirms this. Planning and resources approved by Seaside

for illegal fireworks enforcement is limited to the Fourth of July holiday period. No additional illegal fireworks enforcement resources are dedicated the rest of the year.”

Task force on the way

The grand jury noted that the city created a task force to address the concern over unpermitted fireworks, but it hasn't gotten off the ground.

“To date, the task force has met intermittently. It does not have an established mission statement or specific goals and objectives or membership identified,” the report added.

The city has not responded to the grand jury report, but on its website, Seaside addresses the issue by reporting it “has formulated an operations plan for illegal firework suppression beginning in May and continuing through July.”

“The operation will focus on public education and the safety of citizens, visitors, and property from use of illegal fireworks,” the city said.

The city was contacted for comment about the report but didn't respond.

MORE SPORTS

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RBI single from Andrew Airada. The Pirates got two hits from Sergio Roura and Sean Ishii, and one each from Jack Bucich, Trent Toole, and Alex Glasscock, who doubled.

Airada allowed three hits, walked four, and struck out eight in a six-inning stint, then Ishii pitched a perfect seventh, striking out two of the three batters he faced.

Carmel seeded No. 1 in NorCal Division 3, beat Pioneer 3-1 at Monterey Peninsula College, the 10th win in its last 11 games.

Freshman Matt Maxon struck out five in a scoreless six-inning stint for the Padres, giving way to relieve Zander Lunt, who picked up a save in the fourth consecutive playoff game.

Carmel scored single runs in the first, third and fourth innings, getting RBI singles from Ty Arnold, J.J. Sanchez and Jackson Lloyd.

Sanchez got two hits, and Justin Lemaster, Bixby Moranda and Bobo Landoli also singled in a seven-hit attack.

In Thursday's semifinals, Carmel was scheduled to host Oakmont, and Stevenson played at Gridley. (Results were unavailable.)

Championship games in both divisions are scheduled for 4 p.m. Saturday.

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LETTERS

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overseas to raise a family along with tens of thousands of other veterans, there was a severe housing shortage. No one looked to accessory dwelling units and parking lots to provide housing — we spread out into the new suburbs.

Looking around here, I see hundreds of acres of open space at the old Ford Ord which would be a great place to develop new housing. Suburbs are a proven success for lifestyle and expansion. Please, don't let the Democrat-controlled Sacramento force another irrational plan on us.

Vincent Tuminello, Pacific Grove

Where will they go

Dear Editor,

As a visitor to Carmel for over 40 years, and a reader of the Pine Cone, I cannot understand why the town is embracing the plan of adding 349 new homes. Where will they go?

Parking lots should at least partly be for tourists who are spending money to support local businesses. Hotels don't need second-story dwellings when many do not have enough parking for their guests now. And would the residents abide by hotel rules already in place?

In a town where homeowners cannot remodel or replace their home if the building is historic or now possibly quasi-historic, where trees cannot be trimmed or removed even if they are falling into the building, where cell phone towers that could improve reception are rallied against, where lights for night games may never come to fruition, where fires are banned on the beach (that could

be a keeper), where Patrice Pastor, who has the patience of a saint, has submitted at least three designs for "The Pit," all to be rejected, and where water is at a premium, why would Carmel possibly want 349 new homes?

Do you think the developers will wait 20 years to have their designs approved by the council? I think not! This is the time to say, "No."

Let State Sen. John Laird go to bat for this beautiful town. Before you know it, there will be traffic lights on Ocean Avenue

M.K. Neubauer, Oakley

Problems with letter

Dear Editor,

I seldom engage in critical responses from the community regarding my voting record as a member of the CUSD Board of Education. Any opinion on current issues such as lights on the field, late start and the Padre mascot are welcome. When you become an elected official, you are subject to praise and criticism.

I do have a problem when something is written about me without facts. Such is the case in an letter to the editor written by Ari Kaufman entitled "School Problems" (May 26 edition). He states in the letter that he "has reached out to me many times over the past few months without a reply."

I did respond to his detailed email in late February, the only board member to respond to his questions.

But when the questions turned to, "Why does the superintendent need a lawyer?" the conversation was over. My answer was simple. Ask him yourself. Those are confidential personnel matters.

A directive was issued by the CUSD director of communications to the board to forward all emails from Kaufman to her office. The line of questioning and probing

by Kaufman was deemed to be inappropriate.

Kaufman suggests due to my time in the district as a principal at Carmel Middle and Carmel High and a member of the board of education, he writes, "He has overall responsibility for the turmoil in the district." A simple lesson in high school civics is in order for Kaufman. Nothing happens on a public sector board without a majority vote. Maybe I should be flattered that he believes my one vote is all that is required to hire superintendents, solve the lights on the field issue, decide on a late start and remove the Padre from CHS.

Karl Pallastrini, Carmel

Advice for grads

Dear Editor,

Let's congratulate all graduates on completion of high school. They are now about to embark on the next phase of the care and nurturing of their minds.

No matter what kind of training will be part of life's next journeys, their minds are the keys to happiness. May they be attentive to their minds. Feed them with good ideas and knowledge. Care for them so that they serve each graduate well and pave the way to serve others.





May each graduate adopt this habit — keeping a log book. It is a tool for preparing for the future. It is the key to recall for reflective pleasure as well as accuracy and writing. When one is full, be sure to get the next one and keep up the record of the important and enjoyable details of life.

Oh, the log book, in addition to recording actual facts and events, serves as a handy place to record thoughts, theories and observations about life, reality and myth, ideas which sometime are fleeting. Perhaps these entries will be most important someday when writing articles or books.

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TUBMAN

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Here's how the collaboration went down: Jones wrote four poems and Greene scored the music in four movements, using the rhythms in which Jones spoke.

"Intentionally, there are no sung words," said Greene. "The first movement is an orchestral rap. My husband helped me score this because he sometimes does freestyle, while I'm a classical nerd. The orchestra interacted with Ashley, almost as a Greek chorus. I see this piece as my rite of spring, my big moment, my grand opportunity to

participate in such an amazing artistic experience."

The centerpiece of the presentation at Community Church will be a video of the orchestral and spoken-word premier. Greene's husband will perform live, and local dancer and choreographer Erika Ledin, who graduated from Pacific Grove High last year, will perform interpretive dance. Greene is preparing a chamber piece to perform live to complement the presentation. Jones will join the performance via Zoom.

Greene's mother, local artist Janice Griffin, is painting "Harriet's Courage," a 5-by-4-foot portrait in acrylic, to go with the presentation. "It was an emotional experience to paint this piece," said Griffin. "This whole performance will be emotional. It's an amazing composition, out of this world, really, by truly rare talent." For more information, call Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula at (831) 624-8595.

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HISTORY

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Championship shortly before joining the professional tour.

Corcoran lined up tournaments and sponsors for initial season. The first two LPGA events of 1950 were played in the East — the Tampa Open at Palma Ceia Country Club, Jan. 19-22, 1950 (won by amateur Polly Reilly of Texas, Suggs was second and won the \$1,000 top prize); and the Titleholders Championship played at the Augusta Country Club March 16-19, 1950 (Zaharias won and received \$700). Those events, like the U.S. Women's Open, were established years earlier and were adopted by the LPGA. The third event was new and unique, and brought the women to Pebble Beach.

Alvin Handmacher, head of Weathervane Sports Clothing, put up \$17,000 for the Weathervane Transcontinental Open, one woman professional would receive more than \$5,000. However, to win the big prize in the Weathervane, a golfer had to successfully compete in four 36-hole tournaments over four weekends on four different courses.

Big Money

The first of the series was played at Pebble Beach April 29-30. Then Skycrest Country Club in Chicago, May 6-7, followed by Cleveland's Ridgewood Country Club May 13-14, and finally Knollwood Country Club in White Plains, N.Y. May 20-21. Each leg of the four-course tour-

Lengfeld as editor and publisher, and used it was used as a fundraiser for the Veterans Administration Hospital projects of the American Women's Voluntary Services. In October 1949, she renamed her magazine "The Golfer." Proceeds from the Weathervane Open at Pebble Beach also benefitted the women's voluntary service.

The ladies of the Weathervane finished the first round with a tight leaderboard. Zaharias (36-43), Jameson (39-40), and amateur Bev Hanson (38-41) shared the lead at 79. Three other amateurs, including DeMoss, were tied at 80, and pros Berg and Danoff (White married C.W. Danoff in December 1949) were in the hunt at 81.

In the second round, DeMoss came in early with a 79 and remained leader in the clubhouse. Berg also shot a 79, remaining one shot back. Despite a solid 78 by Suggs, her opening 83 left her 2 behind DeMoss. Others fell back. Jameson shot 85.

Zaharias started out strong with a 36 on the front nine. She struggled a bit on the back nine but reached the 18th knowing a par-5 would give her 78 and a 2-stroke victory. Zaharias hit her tee shot, and her heart sank as she watched her ball hook toward the rocks along the coast. Miraculously, the ball hit the rocks and bounced back to the fairway. She closed out with a bogey-6 and edged out DeMoss by a single stroke for the win.

Suggs won at Chicago and Zaharias won big in Cleveland, setting a course record 73 in the first round and beating it in the second round with 72. Even though Suggs won again in New York, Zaharias won the \$5,000 bonus in 1950.

Last official

The Weathervane returned to Pebble Beach in 1951, when it was won by Berg. That year, after 144 holes, Berg and Zaharias were tied and needed a 36-hole playoff which was won by Berg who received the 1951 bonus. The Weathervane continued for a couple more years but did not return to Pebble Beach.



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Pebble Beach pro Peter Hay (left) welcomes 1950 tournament sponsor Alvin Handmacher of Weathervane Sports Clothing and Helen Lengfeld, the tournament director.

The 1951 Weathervane was the last official LPGA tournament at Pebble Beach, but current and future LPGA players competed on the courses at Pebble Beach over the decades that followed in non-LPGA events. We will cover some of that history in the weeks leading into the return of LPGA players in an official event next month — the U.S. Women's Open — an event that was an LPGA event from 1949 to 1952 and has been a USGA event since 1953.



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Babe Zaharias proudly waves her first-place check for winning the 1950 Weathervane Open at Pebble Beach. At right are Grace DeMoss and Patty Berg who finished second and third.

nament had a \$3,000 purse (\$500 to the winner) with a \$5,000 bonus going to the lowest scorer over the entire 144 holes.

Like the earlier events, Pebble Beach attracted seven of the 13 founders amid a field of more than 30, mostly amateur, women golfers. The Bauer sisters had played the earlier LPGA tournaments as amateurs. Handmacher wanted the beautiful pair in Weathervane apparel for the tournament and offered them a contract that enticed them to join the professional ranks.

Helen Lengfeld, creator of the Women's California Golf Circuit, served as the local tournament director at Pebble Beach. She promoted the event in her new magazine, "The California Golfer," and attracted several top amateur ladies. Launched in July 1949, the magazine had

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Class of 2023

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

They zoomed through high school, and now they're moving on

By ELAINE HESSER

AS YOUNG people across the Peninsula slip on their gowns and create a run on bobby pins to keep those caps in place, friends and family will gather in anticipation of the big moment — high school graduation, the unofficial beginning of adulthood.

It's all very heady stuff, and some graduates have more stuff in their heads than others. These scholars are ready to chase their dreams and, with a little luck, make the world a better place.

Here are the academic stars of the Class of 2023.

Carmel High School

Carmel High has been part of a national trend of recognizing exceptional academic performance by setting a high bar (using a somewhat complicated system of standards that include grades and required classes/credits) and declaring that anyone who reaches it is worthy of being called a valedictorian.

This year, 29 students achieved that goal. They are: **James Ahn, Heather Albiol, Greta Beesley, Julia Blakely, Cassidy**



(Top, left to right) Sierra Wouden-Crosno, Gerald Marnel, Hannah Shu, Jack Norman, Lillian Paul, (bottom, left to right) Tarn Reilly, Siri Panetta, Clare Cook, Ryleigh Teague and Will Coen.

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CLASS OF 2023

A bumpy ride for local athletes

By DENNIS TAYLOR

THOSE GOODBYE hugs on Graduation Day might last a tad longer for the Class of '23, whose journey toward adulthood included a pandemic that took away much of the social interaction that is such a critical part of high school.

Most will remember that time-dragging experience in 2020 and 2021 for its mandatory facemasks, elbow bumps instead of handshakes, closed campuses that forced remote learning and a suspension of athletics, with little or no socializing.

'Introspection and reflection'

"The main thing I have taken away from the Covid year is the importance of a social life at school, outside of an academic setting," said Santa Catalina's **Uso Atuegbu**, a varsity volleyball player, dancer and scholar (3.99 GPA) who will major in neuroscience this fall at the University of Southern California.

"But for me, it was also a year of personal introspection and reflection," she said. "I took a lot of time for myself that year, and I think that helped mold me into a better person once life started going back to normal."

Atuegbu's favorite memories include a halftime dance performance during a

Santa Cruz Warriors professional basketball game and dancing in multiple school variety shows, including Catalina's 2022 spring musical, "The Addams Family."

Quincy Key left her robust social life in Albuquerque as a ninth grader, moving with her family from New Mexico to Monterey after her dad, Doug Key, was named headmaster at York School, where the academic rigor initially challenged her and the pandemic interfered with sports.

"I've been a swimmer all my life, since I was 4 or 5, but I quit during my freshman year, feeling burned out on the sport, and I didn't swim as a sophomore because of Covid," said Key, who, as a senior, became the Pacific Coast Athletic League champion in the 50- and 100-yard freestyles, placing eighth in the Central Coast Section in the 100-yard as a senior. She'll swim in the fall as a scholarship athlete at San Jose State.

'I'll remember the teachers'

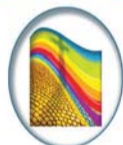
Despite the pandemic, Key made the best of her time. She played on York's boys water polo team, tested herself in varsity volleyball and was the highest-scoring

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Bullas, Nathan Chen, Sophia Cho, Clare Cook, Anooj Desai, Fenris Hadi, Beatrice Marina Hobson, Jack Lyon, Gerald Marnell, Noah Mayer, Sage Melton, Jack Norman, Riley Palshaw, Siri Panetta, Lillian Paul, Ella Rasmussen, Zack Seifert, Owen Shirrell, Hannah Shu, Ryleigh Teague, Lillian Trokel, Grace Wang, Andrew Wang, Calla Woodruff-Lyons and Sierra Wouden-Crosno.

The Pine Cone spoke to five of them, starting with its own student-correspondent, **Riley Palshaw**.

Palshaw has been a co-editor of the student newspaper, The Sandpiper. "I grew up in that classroom, waiting for Dad at the end of the day," she recalled, referring to Sandpiper advisor Mike Palshaw. In the past year, she's also written articles for The Pine Cone on topics as diverse as stadium lights and what to get your teenager for Christmas.



Riley Palshaw

She has already explored several aspects of news media with internships and projects during the school year and a two-week stint at the School of the New York Times last summer. Unsurprisingly, she's going to journalism school at the University of Missouri, which has the oldest such undergraduate program in the country.

Palshaw played field hockey, basketball, softball and lacrosse, and took two years of sports medicine classes. She's volunteered to teach kids at River School and Tularcitos Elementary about coral reefs as part of the CHS Coral Club, as well.

Beatrice Hobson, who goes by **Mari-**

na, loved the music department at CHS, calling it "a really welcoming community." Hobson plays the bassoon, saxophone and clarinet, and has participated in the school's concert band, jazz band and pit band. College means a wintertime arrival at Middlebury College in Vermont next February, after a gap semester.

During that time, Hobson will participate in an eight-week Juneau Ice Field Research Program in Alaska and spend several months studying Spanish while traveling through South America. (To read more about that planned adventure, see page 36A.) At Middlebury, a major in environmental science is in the works.

Hobson was on the swim team and participated in track and field, and her hobbies include running ultramarathons, going as far as 100 kilometers (62 miles) in 14 to 16 hours without a break. "There was some walking mixed in," Hobson said. "It's just a fun thing to do."

Here's something telling about **Hannah Shu**, the school orchestra's concertmaster: When she wanted to invest in a new violin, she found the process complicated, so she invented an app to analyze data using soundwaves and other information to help people pick the best violin for their needs.

These days, she's stepping out of the classical comfort zone and learning to improvise with some friends who play jazz. She'll be going to Stanford in the fall to study physics and engineering.

Shu has competed in science and engineering fairs and had an internship at the Naval Postgraduate School. She's also president of the physics club and the school's TEDx club, which arranges local TED talks.

Lillian Paul arrived here with her family from Pittsburgh, Pa., the summer before her freshman year. She made a lot of friends by participating in swimming and volleyball. Her two art classes — she said

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Taking some time out of the classroom

By RILEY PALSHAW

IN HOPES of getting a break from the school routine — and a taste of adventure instead — Carmel High School 2023 graduate Marina Hobson will be participating in a glacier research and ski mountaineering program in Juneau, Alaska, and traveling to South America to study Spanish and environmental science before entering Middlebury College in Vermont next January.

Hobson's journey will begin June 10 with the Juneau Icefield Research Program, an eight-week field research course run by the University of Maine that combines glacier mountaineering skills with investigation and experimentation. Students spend six weeks on Juneau's icefield learning about glacier science before coming up with their own research projects and presenting them to peers at the end of the course. In Juneau and in Atlin, British Columbia, there will be additional educational opportunities and lessons, as participants can receive college credit for their work.

"I have really no background in glacier science so I'm pretty much a beginner in this," said Hobson, "but I look forward to learning more about this and it's really interesting to me."

Machu Picchu

Arriving back in Carmel the first week of August, the adventurous graduate will only be home about a month before taking flight again mid-September. This time, Hobson will head to the jungles of South America with the Where There Be Dragons gap year program, a three-month excursion focused on Spanish immersion and environmental science in Bolivia and Peru.

Participants not only learn about local spiritual traditions, social justice and leadership techniques, but also engage in

rigorous treks through the Andes Mountains, Amazon basin and other large rainforests. Through camping at Machu Picchu, exploring issues in land use among the Amazonian tropics and partaking in a homestay in Bolivia, Hobson hopes this 81-day trip will provide opportunities to build bilingual skills and gain knowledge in environmental conservation and sustainability.

"I really want to study more Spanish in college, so this will definitely give me a head start on that," Hobson said.

Taking multiple courses at CHS in science, technology, engineering or mathematics led Hobson to a clear choice about how to spend time after graduation. "I've always been really focused on STEM in high school and I'm planning on doing that in college, so both programs have an environmental science focus that ties in with my intended major."

After completing the gap semester, Hobson plans on studying environmental science at Middlebury with a focus in writing and intends to head down the scientific research pathway. The more immediate focus is on the journey ahead and all of the learning that will come with it.

"There's so many new things coming up in the next few months," said Hobson. "It's kind of terrifying, but I'm so ready to have a break from the routine of school."



Marina Hobson



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Not pictured: Eli Morton

CLASS OF 2023

Bouncing back from 'no'

By MIA SCHLENKER

AS MEMBERS of the Class of 2023 embarked on the college application process, local college counselors reported seeing record-breaking lows in acceptance rates from schools, forcing many high-achieving students to seek alternative paths and reevaluate their expectations.

"It's sort of like a reality check," remarked Catalina senior Piper Anderson, who didn't get into her first choice. "You kind of come back and realize you aren't going to get into every school you apply to." Despite that challenge, many students persevered in the face of adversity.

With support from families, teachers, mentors and peers, some students who were rejected by their top choice of school gained a new perspective, demonstrating resilience and adaptability.

Many concluded that they'll find the qualities in the school they thought was "the one" at other colleges — and that they might even find more supportive environments. As Stevenson School senior Lydia Yu explained, "Something that really helped me with my rejection process was thinking about it from both sides, like

you and the school just don't match well together, like in a relationship — both people have to be compatible."

While this mindset is helpful, the reality of rejection left students grappling with uncertainty and disappointment. It sometimes felt as if their hard work and achievements had gone unrecognized.

Anderson admitted, "It was challenging to redirect myself after kind of getting my heart set on a certain school. I found myself shifting from school to school and becoming really uncertain of the future. For a while, I questioned if college was even a valid option for me or if I should begin to look in other directions."

It turned out college was the right path — Anderson is excited to start classes at Chapman University in Southern California this fall.

New connections

Carmel High school senior Greg Prehn recounted a similar story: "I was shocked at first and naturally felt disappointed. I

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player in the Pacific Coast Athletic League in basketball on a team that won the Arroyo Division crown last winter. Her extracurriculars included Model UN and volunteering weekly at a local food bank.

"I'm going to miss the relationships I developed with friends and teammates, and also participating in athletics, of course," she said. "But when I think of my time at York, I think I'll remember the teachers most of all, and all of the ways they helped me with my academics. Getting accustomed to the rigorous academic expectations at York was the hardest thing for me, especially during those first two years. My teachers were extremely supportive and helped me through that time."

Gabe Colborn amassed a 4.25 GPA at Carmel High, earning a scholarship to the Rochester Institute of Technology in New York, where he'll study engineering with a goal of working for SpaceX.

Colborn captained the Padres wrestling team, ran cross country and played lacrosse, but the fact that he is a hearing-impaired student presented its own challenges and frustrations.

"Oh, where to begin?" he said. "Loud-speaker updates ... fire alarms ... assemblies ... frequent lack of closed captions ... video calls?"

And during the pandemic, Colborn, a lip reader, was surrounded by people who were wearing masks.

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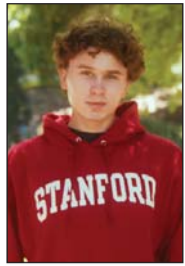
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she wished she'd taken more — introduced her to “a very nice community” within Carmel High.



Zack Seifert

Art indirectly influenced her decision to go to UC Berkeley. Although she's interested in majoring in something STEM-related, during a campus tour, she saw the school's art studio and said, “I could totally see myself taking classes there to relieve stress.” More to the point, one of the researchers with whom she worked on an internship at the Naval Postgraduate School is a Cal alum and recommended the school.

This summer, after a trip to Florida, where she plans to spend time relaxing on the beach, she'll be a lifeguard at the Stillwell Children's Pool at Lover's Point in P.G.

You might have read about **Zack Seifert** in The Pine Cone last summer, when he was building and marketing a circuit board for computer hobbyists. He's headed to Stanford — his mom's an alum — where he thinks he might major in electric engineering. During the summer, the former robotics team and film club member plans to travel to Europe, help tend the family's llama, goats and chickens, and spend some time at the Naval Postgraduate School, where he's already had an internship.

He's hoping to meet his “future cofounders” and get a tech startup going. “I love to build things, solve problems and create new technology,” he said.

Stevenson School

Stevenson School had a tie for valedictorian between **Craig Yujuico Chiu** and **Alexander Gianola Cook**, who've known each other since they were first graders at All Saints' Day School.

Said Cook, “Craig was always a step ahead of me, but I know he's just happy for me.” Chiu agreed that the two were much more supportive than competitive. Cook noted that Yale has been his “dream school” since first grade, because he figured Chiu



Alexander Cook

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Congratulations to The Pine Cone's high school correspondent,

Riley Palshaw!

Your editors



Mya Schnader

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coped with this by doing more research on the schools I had already gotten into, to make them feel more appealing.”

Prehn's approach serves as a prime example of the lesson that many students learned from being rejected — the college admissions process is not a linear journey. Students who did not get into their top choices often found a new scope of opportunities and changed their trajectories for the better. For instance, Prehn said his new destination, Indiana University, “has

unique connections for business that some of my other top schools did not offer with their programs. Over time I have begun to like my decision more and more.”

Similarly, Yu described she came to embrace the curriculum offerings at Johns Hopkins, which she will be attending in the fall, saying that because of its well-known medical programs, she might “lean into more biology.”

For these seniors — and many others — painful rejection became creative redirection as they embraced the possibilities their new choices offer.

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“I stopped considering myself hard of hearing and started identifying as deaf early in my junior year as a result of my progressive hearing loss,” he said. “I also learned not to speak unless it was absolutely necessary so I could save myself the embarrassment in case I misheard something.”

Camaraderie and silent cheers

Athletics provided solace in Colborn's silent world. He savored the solitary miles

of cross country (“a chill sport,” he said), team play on the lacrosse field and the physical and camaraderie he felt from his true passion, wrestling, where he formed a deep connection with his teammates.

“I'll remember the tournaments — a long drive to another school with a bunch of other guys, eight hours of wrestling ... watching wrestling ... thinking about wrestling ... then riding all the way back home,” said Colborn, who underwent cochlear implant surgery in the spring to im-

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Carmel by the Sea Rotary has awarded 2023 Academic, STEM, Vocational, Music, Memorial, and Individual Sponsored Scholarships to the following CHS Students:

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These students will be sharing \$72,000 in scholarship support.

Congratulations to **Stephanie Lee**, 4th and 5th grade teacher at Captain Cooper Elementary School in Big Sur recognized with the 2023 Harris A. Taylor Excellence in Teaching Award, given annually by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Rotary Club.

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would get into Harvard, and to Cook's young mind, there was only room in Cambridge for one of them.

Chiu's going to Brown, and Cook's happy with his choice to go to Yale, where he has a four-year Navy ROTC scholarship. Said Cook, "Yale seems like a place where they want you to apply yourself to issues that matter." He wants to study international relations with a focus on East Asia, particularly China.

Cook had a paper on Taiwan and Japan published in the Harvard International Review, and during the pandemic he participated virtually in the Stanford China Scholars program, learning about contemporary and past issues with a focus on culture.

He participated in Model United Nations, chess club, lacrosse and football. This summer, he has to complete a 2 1/2-week Navy boot camp, then he's coming home to get a job until fall.

Chiu played lacrosse, along with soccer and running cross-country. He said he enjoyed being part of the Asian American Pacific Islander affiliation group at Stevenson. He hasn't quite made up his mind what about a major, though. He said, "I really enjoy Spanish and Latin American studies, but I'm keeping things open for now."

York School

Joseph Zhao of Monterey has been a student at York

since eighth grade. He said, "I've always liked math."

He'll attend Northwestern University in Illinois, where he'll spend some time with his brother, who will be a senior there this fall. Zhao said he was interested in majoring in computer science, something he's only gotten into in the last year or so, but which he finds intriguing.

Outside the classroom, Zhao has participated in robotics team competitions. He's been a volunteer for science camp at Monterey Bay Charter School, teaching kindergarteners and fourth and fifth graders, which he found rewarding.

He ran cross country and played golf for York.

Pacific Grove High School

William Coen summed up his high school career by saying, "Rhythm, music and math. That's what I'm best at." He took all the math he could at P.G. High, finished some online courses at community colleges and completed an internship at the Naval Postgraduate School.

The editor of the school newspaper, the Newsbreaker, Coen has taught elementary school students about creative writing and led math clubs for kids, too.

This fall, he'll be at Yale University, where he said he'll give the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Course (ROTC) a try. He's planning to major in applied mathematics, and if he takes the military path, he'd like to be a pilot or an engineer.

As this year's drum major, Coen, who plays trumpet



Joseph Zhao



C.C. Shaw



Elena Oh

and drums, leads the marching band during the graduation ceremony. He also ran cross country and enjoys biking, skiing and hiking. He loves sports and statistics, so of course, he's a baseball fan (San Francisco Giants).

Santa Catalina School

Santa Catalina doesn't have a valedictorian. Instead, the school recognizes all-around high achievers, like **C.C. Shaw**. "It was a huge honor to be chosen," she said modestly. "I'm surrounded by all these incredible people." A boarding student from Woodside in San Mateo County, Shaw's schedule is so full, The Pine Cone wondered aloud when she had time to sleep.

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"I get asked that a lot," she said. She volunteers as an admissions ambassador, giving tours to prospective students, is the head of five clubs, led the school's a cappella singing group, and has acted in 10 theatrical productions since her freshman year. She loves math and science, and hopes to have a double major in computer science and drama at Barnard College in New York City.

Her classmate, P.G. native **Elena Oh**, will pursue a liberal arts and humanities education at Dartmouth. Despite the threat of New England winters, she said, "Dartmouth just felt right."

She's hasn't chosen a major, but wants to "stick with the social sciences," possibly with a pre-med or pre-nursing emphasis.

In addition to her classes, Oh worked on the yearbook, participated in Model United Nations and was one of the editors of the school newspaper, the Lamplighter. She also played the violin in the chamber orchestra.

She recalled the caring atmosphere she found in school and said that throughout the pandemic, everyone stayed in touch, talking and texting. "If you looked a little down during a Zoom class, someone would always check in afterward," she recalled.

Also from Pacific Grove, **Tarn Reilly** is graduating

from Santa Catalina after attending for 14 years, starting in pre-kindergarten. Her father teaches marine ecology there, and Reilly is passionate about the subject. She recently concluded a three-year research project on marine biology and has volunteered at the Monterey Bay Aquarium and with The Wahine Project, a nonprofit that helps youth connect with ocean sports like surfing.

Reilly will attend Brown University in Rhode Island, where she plans to major in mechanical engineering, focusing on conservation and renewable energy. She's also going to pursue her other passion — rugby — and said she's very grateful to her parents, who drove her to Pleasanton to play club rugby for nine years.



Sage Hughett

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prove his hearing.

“And I’ll remember those ‘safety guidelines’ during Covid, when we had to do an elbow-tap instead of a handshake before a wrestling match. What was the point?” he wondered.

Community service

Ava Marshall, a 4.25 student headed to Cal Poly San Luis Obispo as an Environmental Protection and Management major, was a sports superstar at Pacific Grove High School. She earned all-league, all-county, and Most Valuable Player honors for the Breakers, was all-league in volleyball, and helped her teammates reach this year’s CCS Division 4 championship

game in softball.

Unsurprisingly, a lot of her favorite high school moments are from the athletic arena.

But many of her warmest memories came from her leadership work as a school officer, including her senior year as Associated Student Body vice-president, and her diverse community-service volunteerism.

“I was in National Honor Society, National Charity League (a mother-daughter philanthropic foundation), Pass the Word (feeding the homeless), SPCA, and the Alliance on Aging, all of which, I think, helped me grow as a person,” Marshall said.

“We all feel very fortunate to live in Pacific Grove, but we’re also in a kind of bubble and don’t always see the flaws in

our community,” she said. “Being involved in community service became a way for me to give back, and see things differently. It’s really powerful.”

For her senior project, Marshall helped create a mosaic mural for Carmel Valley’s

new “Tatum’s Treehouse,” a playground for children.

“For me, it feels really amazing to think that I’ll be able to come back here 30 or 40 years from now, see that mural, and know that I actually helped make it,” she said.

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SINGER CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY, NEW ALBUM WITH CONCERT AT GOLDEN STATE

AS HE closes in on his 50th birthday next month, singer and guitarist **Rufus Wainwright** is celebrating the occasion with a new album that brings all his musical friends together, along with a tour that includes a stop at the Golden State Theatre Saturday at 8 pm.

Titled "Folkocracy," the new album includes cameos by singers Sheryl Crow, Susanna Hoffs, David Byrne, Chaka Khan, Brandi Carlyle and many others.

"This album is almost like a recorded birthday party and birthday present to myself," said Wainwright, who launches his tour Friday in Los Angeles. "I just invited all the singers that I greatly admire and always wanted to sing with."

Instead of following in the footsteps of his parents, folksingers Loudon Wainwright and Kate McGarrigle, the two-time Grammy Award nominee has crafted an original sound that melds pop with baroque and operatic influ-

ences. He's had his greatest success in the United Kingdom, Denmark and Canada, where two of his albums were Top 10 hits.

Tickets for Saturday's concert start at \$39.50. The

p.m. when an r&b group from Monterey, **SEA.LVL**, presents a free outside concert. The duo, which features guitarist **Glenn Bell** and trumpeter **Schuyler Horn**, plays "gentle ballads and funky grooves."

According to Sunset Center's **Annelise Nussbacher**, the music series spotlights "some of the best musicians the Monterey Peninsula has to offer."

Anyone can attend the concert, Nussbacher said. "No tickets or reservations are required, so bring your friends, family, dogs, cats and birds."

Next up in the outdoor series is the ever-popular **Bubba Pickens Band**, which plays June 9. The bluegrass and folk band, which includes four Carmel High School teachers, won a fourth straight Golden Pine Cone last year for Best Local Music Group. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth.

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On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

Golden State Theatre is located at 417 Alvarado St. in Monterey. Call (831) 649-1070.

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Sunset Center's Terrace Hour continues Friday at 6



Singer and guitarist Alex Lucero (left) of Santa Cruz plays two gigs Saturday afternoon in Carmel Valley. Singer Miranda Perl (center) performs twice this week in Monterey. Two-time Grammy Award-winning singer and guitarist Rufus Wainwright (right) takes the stage Saturday at Golden State Theater in Monterey.

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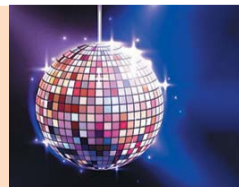
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FOOD & WINE

Old home week at Cella, art and wine at Chesebro, and chefs at artichoke fest

A FEW weeks into his new gig at Cella in Monterey, executive chef Cal Stamenov said this week he's enjoying working with longtime colleagues and friends again and reconnecting with farmers, producers and other providers — but he hasn't yet quite figured out where the salt is.

"I'm happy to be where I am, coming back into a really nice, ingredient-focused, professional kitchen," said Stamenov, who has worked in local restaurants for three decades, including stints at the Highlands Inn, Bernardus Lodge and Grasing's. "One of the best parts is rekindling relationships with farmers in Santa Cruz and producers in San Francisco, and the truffle lady from New York City — I haven't talked to her in a long time."

Stamenov and Ben Spungin — the talented pastry chef who a few years ago opened Alta Bakery and later, Cella, with business partner Kirk Probasco — worked together at Bernardus for almost a decade. The three of them had discussed going to go into business together, but at the time, Stamenov had three daughters at home and couldn't quite pull it off.

Now, those daughters live in New York City, where they enjoy the metropolis' Michelin-starred restaurants, and when they come to visit, they always stop in at

Alta and Cella. After a couple of dinners there together, Stamenov asked if they thought he should work there. They supported the idea.

Fresh start

Leaving Grasing's, he started his job at Cella May 2, taking over the executive chef position that Aaron Rayer held before going to take over the kitchen at nearby Stokes Adobe.

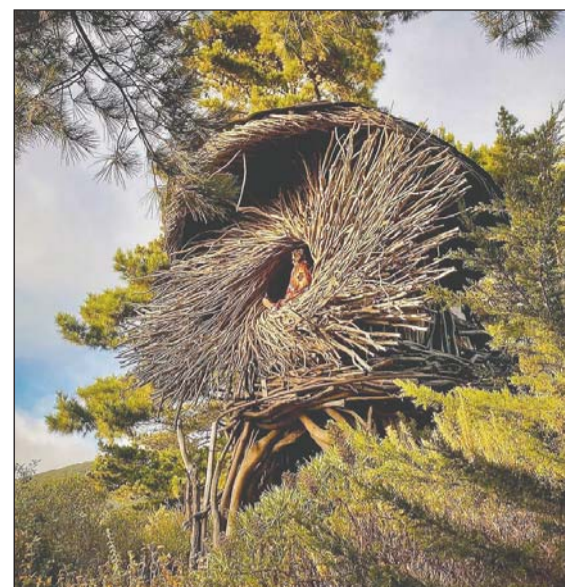
"A 12-hour day doesn't seem as long when you're in a good atmosphere," Stamenov said, adding that he's slowly updating the menu, which hasn't changed much during the past year.

"Ben is a Big Sur person, so he really is adamant about good ingredients and not cutting corners," he added.

Stamenov is focusing much of his creativity on incorporating more vegetables into his dishes and keeping overall entrée prices in the \$40 range, while many other restaurants are pricing theirs in the \$60-to-\$70 range.

He's especially enjoying working with Spungin, who has also been a good friend for years. "We're both learning from each other, and so far, working with Ben has been very good, because our communication is good," Stamenov said.

Being at Cella is a bit like old home



Treebones on Big Sur's South Coast is reopening next week, offering the chance to sleep in a "human nest."

Art at Chesebro

The Chesebro tasting room in Carmel Valley Village will host a free catered reception to welcome its newest resident artists, Maggie Hellmann and her husband, Lou Renner, June 3 from 3 to 5:30 p.m.

"We had so much fun at our spring wine club party that we decided to keep it rolling into summer with more events," tasting room manager Alex Lallos said.

At the Saturday celebration, chef Michael Jones of A Moveable Feast catering will bring his signature appetizers to enjoy alongside Chesebro wines. Made by the father-and-son team of Mark and Will Chesebro

from grapes grown in their Cachagua and Arroyo Seco vineyards, the wines represent a wide range of varietals and blends.

Their tasting room also has the mission of bringing art and wine together and is marking the opening of Hellmann and Renner's exhibit, "Intertwining Dreams," which will run through Aug. 27. Hellmann, a graphic designer and award-winning plein air artist who is "best known for her use of exuberant color," Lallos said, while

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Hondo Hernandez, pit boss for Showoff BBQ, is among the chefs set to do demos during the Artichoke Festival.



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Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

week, in fact, since Stamenov and Probasco worked together at the Highlands Inn in the 1990s, and he and Cella GM Bernie De Luna were also colleagues at the Highlands Inn and Bernardus Lodge.

"We've been friends since the '90s, also," he said. "I guess that's what happens when you've worked here for 30 years."

Cella is located in the Cooper Molera adobe at 525 Polk St. in Monterey and is open Tuesday through Saturday from 5:30 to 9 p.m. For reservations and more information, visit cellarestaurant.com.



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“Renner is a professional climber and guide who “specializes in mixed media when he is not on a mountain.”

To see the art, sip wine and enjoy Jones’ cuisine, RSVP to alex@chesebrowines.com or call (831) 238-2618. The tasting room is located at 19 E. Carmel Valley Road. Visit chesebrowines.com for more information.

Beef and Bernardus

Rancho Cielo’s Drummond Culinary Academy, headed by executive chef EJ Jimenez, will host its annual Beef & Bernardus dinner June 3 to celebrate the accomplishments of its culinary students before they graduate from the program, which seeks to help youth who’ve been in trouble with the law gain valuable career skills in hospitality.

“This will be a gourmet beef-centric meal paired with the most exclusive local wines from Bernardus Winery,” the nonprofit announced. “You won’t want to miss this food and wine event featuring guest chefs and Rancho Cielo culinary students working together to showcase their hard work and new skills.”

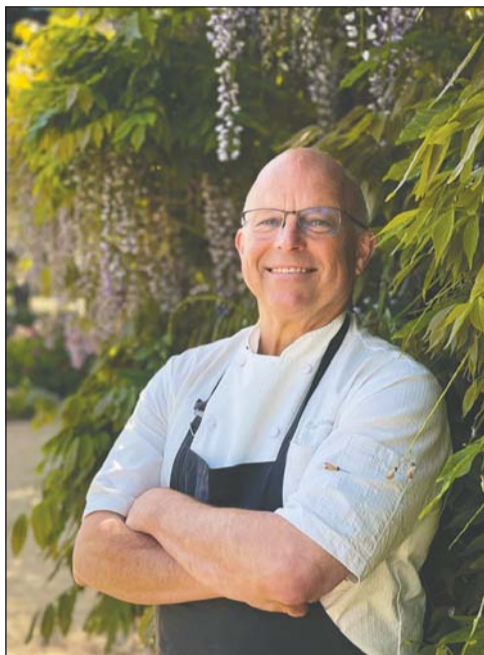
The strolling dinner will begin at 5:30 p.m. and costs \$150 plus tax per person. Rancho Cielo is located at 710 Old Stage Road in Salinas. To purchase tickets, visit ranchocieloyc.org.

Artichoke Fest details

The June 10-11 Artichoke Festival at the Monterey Fairgrounds celebrates everyone’s favorite thistle in every possible way, and this year’s event includes a solid cast of chefs and a new level of win-

etasting, along with entertainment, music, vendors and other attractions.

During the weekend, chefs “will showcase the versatility of the artichoke and share their own preparation techniques,” among them beloved local chef Brandon Miller, who has left the restaurant scene in favor of his catering service specializing in paella, the signature rice dish of Spain. (Miller also provided a recipe for the



Chef Cal Stamenov has rejoined friends and former colleagues at Cella in the Cooper Molera Adobe in downtown Monterey.

Healthy Lifestyles section in last week’s Pine Cone.)

He’ll be joined by Kevin Fisher, executive sous chef at Sea Root in the Hyatt Regency Monterey, Tarp’s executive chef Ivan Guadarrama, Luis Osorio (executive chef at the Rio Grill), Showoff BBQ Pit Boss Hondo Hernandez, Salinas Valley

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Memorial Hospital executive chef and director of nutritional services Jason Giles, Café Carmel owner Sarah Cook, and David Pasculli, owner and chef of Sammich'd — a food truck specializing in gourmet sandwiches.

Meanwhile, wineries from across the state will also have a place at the fest where guests of legal drinking age can taste wine, chat with vintners and enter a raffle for an entire barrel of their own.

Passes are available for individuals and pairs, and each allows entry to the tasting room, which will offer 1-ounce pours from more than 20 wineries from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. The passes are good for one day only and are available for \$30 online or \$40 onsite for singles, or \$90 for the It's a Date Wine Tasting Package, which includes admission to the fest and tasting for two.

Find information about everything, including tickets, chef demos and wine tasting, at artichokefestival.org.

Treebones is back

Treebones resort on the remote South Coast of Big Sur has been cut off from visitors since this winter's storms, but it's reopening June 9 — to guests who can get there

from the south, since Highway 1 remains closed just south of Big Creek, the origin of the devastating August 2020 Dolan Fire.

"Everywhere we look, spring colors and wildlife are blossoming after much-needed rain," the Treebones team and the Handy family announced this week. "As Highway 1 to the south of us reopens to the public, we are thrilled to welcome guests back."

In addition to yurts, luxurious "autonomous tents," campsites and the opportunity to sleep in "human nests" woven by Big Sur artist Jayson Fann, Treebones boasts two restaurants.

The Lodge Restaurant offers breakfast, lunch, and a four-course dinner created by chef Kyle Walker, with seating inside with ocean views and a wood-burning fire and at an outdoor bar with expansive Pacific Ocean views. Walker's prix fixe showcases "local ingredients wherever and whenever possible," and is available for \$85 per person. Reservations are required.

Alternatively, the Wild Coast Sushi Bar offers an "omakase experience," with chef Yancy Knapp selecting the items guests will enjoy. Just eight people are accommodated at two seatings per evening, at 5 and 7 p.m., at a cost of \$160 per person, with optional drink pairings available for another \$100 per person. Reservations are required for this dining experience, too.

Find more information at treebonesresort.com.

Stationaery at Holman Ranch

The owners of Stationaery restaurant in Carmel and the proprietors of Holman Ranch winery in Carmel Valley will collaborate on a dinner at the winery's estate on the eastern edge of Carmel Valley Village June 16 from 5:30 to 9 p.m. for \$275 per person.

Owned by Anthony and Alissa Carnazzo with chef Amalia Scatena at the helm, Stationaery will "provide an array of inspired dishes with elegant presentation" to be "expertly paired with Holman Ranch estate-grown wines, selected to enhance the flavors of each course."

The menu will include passed canapés and Ad Astra bread with chive butter followed by a plated starter of chilled asparagus soup with lobster, crispy garlic and chili. Family-style entrées will include rockfish with Sicilian peppers, Sonoma lamb with baby potatoes, squash blossoms with Dungeness crab, and grilled zucchini with lemon verbena and Parmigiano Reggiano. Dessert will be Meyer lemon cake with strawberries and chocolate cake with Big Sur salt.

Tickets are available at exploretock.com/holmanranch. Holman Ranch is located at 60 Holman Road.



Ami in downtown Carmel will host a class on perfecting the charcuterie board June 7, when guests will enjoy snacks and wine as well.

Charcuterie class

Ami, Annee Martin's downtown Carmel store, will host a class on creating the perfect charcuterie board June 7 from 6 to 8 p.m. Martin will lead guests through "the basics of arranging foods, spices, flavors, colors and textures to make a fantastic presentation."

"We will share where and which utensils to use with the charcuterie board," she said. "Lastly, we will recommend which ingredients pair nicely together and how to portion each component."

The class costs \$60 per person and includes the demo, course materials, a wood board to take home, and samplings from a charcuterie board to enjoy during the evening alongside wines from Scheid Family Wines.

Guests will also receive 30 percent off all charcuterie platters, bowls and books for sale at the store that evening.

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Monthly jam returns

Presented by a local group, **Tribe in the Sky**, a weekly Community Jam debuts Tuesday at the Bulldog Sports Pub in Monterey. The music starts at 6:30 p.m.

“The weekly jam is open to everyone. It includes original music and a mix of rock and roll and blues,” **Jacqueline Kabat** of Tribe in the Sky reported. “The vibe is inviting, welcoming, and joyful. Join new and old friends in the community who want to enjoy the healing and joyous power of music.”

The pub is located at 611 Lighthouse Ave.

Funky and soulful

Serving up a funky and soulful mix of dance music, **Matt Masih & The Messen-**



Violinist Tien-Hsin Cindy Wu will perform Friday evening at the Monterey Museum of Art.

gers play Friday at the monthly Night Market 831 in Sand City. The family-friendly gathering begins at 5 p.m.

The free outdoor event in the Sand City Art Park also showcases an array of food vendors, along with “a rotating cast of local artists and makers.”

The park is located at 525 Ortiz Ave.

More ‘Music in the Forest’

Shortly after wrapping up the third edition of his “Music in the Forest” series May 20-21, promotor **Steve Vagnini** announced the next installment, which is set for July 15-16 at the Forest Theater. Saturday afternoon’s lineup includes singer and guitarist **Cindy Alexander** and guitarist **Rusty Anderson** (who tours and records with Paul McCartney), while Sunday afternoon’s roster of musicians features singer and guitarist **Parthenon Huxley**, **The Whiskey Wasps** and singer and guitarist **Katherine Lavin**. For tickets, visit pacrep.org.

Live music June 2-8

Bernardus Wine Tasting Room in Carmel Valley — **Victory Lane** (classic rock, Sunday at noon). 5 W. Carmel Valley Road.

Big Sur River Inn — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (’60s music, Saturday at 12:30 p.m.) and **Along Came Betty** (jazz, Sunday at noon). 46800 Highway 1.

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.

Cuz’s Sportsman’s Club in Seaside — **Mr. Lucky** (rock, Friday at 8:30 p.m.). 594 Broadway.

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** (pop,

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 **Alex Lucero** (Sunday at 3 p.m.). Mission and Fifth.

Edwin’s Carmel — singer and pianist **Reija Massey** (pop, rock and country, Friday at 6:30 p.m.). San Carlos and Sixth.

Fernwood Resort in Big Sur — **Songs Hotbox Harry Taught Us** (“Big Sur country,” Saturday at 10 p.m.). 47200 Highway 1.

Folktale Winery in Carmel Valley — **Two Rivers** with singer **Richard Bryant** and guitarist **Kyle Kovalik** (pop and rock, Friday at 4 p.m.), **Magenta Spreen** with singer and guitarist **Talmon Owen** and singer **Kristen Gradwohl** (“dreamy soundscapes and vocal harmonies coupled with rich storytelling and mindful melodies,” Saturday at 4 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Alex Lucero** (Sunday at 11:30 a.m.), singer and guitarist **Asher Stern** (Thursday at 4 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

Georis Winery in Carmel Valley —



Singer and guitarist Matt Masih, along with his band, plays Friday in Sand City and Saturday in Monterey.

singer and guitarist **Kris Angelis** (Friday at 4 p.m.). 1 pilot Road.

Gusto Pasta and Pizza in Seaside —

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guitarist **Peter Martin** and bassist **Etienne David Franc** (jazz, Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). 1901 Fremont Blvd.

Hidden Valley Music Seminars in Carmel Valley — pianist **Jura Margulis** (classical, Friday at 7:30 p.m.). hiddenvalleymusic.org.

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.

Hyatt Regency Monterey Hotel — guitarist **John Sherry** (folk, rock and blues, Thursday at 5 p.m.). 1 Old Golf Course Road.

The Inn at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach — pianist **Bill Spencer**, bassist **Pete**

Lips and drummer **Andy Weis** (jazz, Friday at 7 p.m.), pianist **Gary Meek**, bassist **Steve Uccello** and drummer **Andy Weis** (jazz, Saturday and Thursday at 7 p.m.). 2700 17 Mile Drive.

Intercontinental Hotel in Monterey — guitarist **John Sherry** (folk, rock and blues, Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.), guitarist **Terrence Ferrell** (Latin music, Sunday at 9 a.m.). 750 Cannery Row.

The Links Club — singer and guitarist **Stevie Heger** and drummer **Rod Wilson** (pop and rock, Friday at 7 p.m.), Singer-Songwriter Showcase (Tuesday at 7 p.m.). Carmel Plaza, Mission and Ocean.

Lucy's on Lighthouse in Pacific Grove — **The Vick Silva Band** (rock, Saturday at 2 p.m.), **The Next Blues Band** (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 Val-

ley Road.

Midici Pizza in Monterey — singer **Miranda Perl** and keyboardist **Jon Dryden** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.), keyboardist **Bobby Phillips** and drummer **Steve Robertson** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St.

Mission Ranch — singer and pianist **Maddaline Edstrom** (jazz, Friday through Sunday at 5 p.m.) and pianist **Gennady Loktionov** (jazz, Monday through Thurs-

day at 5 p.m.). 26270 Dolores St.

Monterey Museum of Art — violinist **Tien-Hsin Cindy Wu** (classical, Friday at 6 p.m.). 559 Pacific St.

Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa — guitarist **John Sherry** (folk, rock and blues, Monday at 6:30 p.m.). 400 Cannery Row.

Pearl Hour in Monterey — **The Ben Herod Trio** (jazz, Wednesday at 7 p.m.).

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Photographer preserves beauty, pushes back against impermanence

IN A show opening Friday, the Monterey Museum of Art welcomes photographer Jane Ivory, who seeks to capture beauty in a world where change, manmade or otherwise, is inevitable.

"I'm drawn to places that have an ecological story to tell," said Ivory, a San Francisco-based artist who has previously shown her work at the Center for Photographic Art. "I'm seeking places where there's a sense of urgency to not only

free after-hours access from 5 to 7 p.m., along with wine, small bites and a performance by violinist Tien-Hsin Cindy Wu, who took over as the artistic director of Chamber Music Monterey Bay earlier this year. Visit montereyart.org.

■ Printmaker finds freedom

On display through the end of the month at Venture Gallery in Monterey is "Ephemeral Evolutions," an exhibit which features the latest creations by printmaker Barbara Lee Furbush.

Furbush said she finds "freedom and liberation" in her creative process.

"These works often seem child-like but create moments of deep self-reflection," the artist said. "The themes of the works explore the truths we have learned, the way we hear things, our feelings about intense topics, and how we see ourselves."

The gallery, which hosts a reception for Furbush June 24 at 5 p.m., is located inside the Portola Plaza Hotel at 260 Alvarado St. For more details, visit venturegallery.com.

Art Roundup


By CHRIS COUNTS

address climate change, but for me, as a photographer, to capture the idiosyncratic beauty of the place before the inevitable occurs and what once pulled me there is gone or horribly transformed."

The exhibit will be displayed through July 30. The museum is located at 550 Pacific St.

Also, on June 2, the museum presents its monthly First Friday gathering, with

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This image of Mono Lake is included in a new show at the Monterey Museum of Art by photographer Jane Ivory.



'A Portrait of Harriet'

Harriet Tubman — A multimedia presentation



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award-winning bassist, cellist, pianist and composer



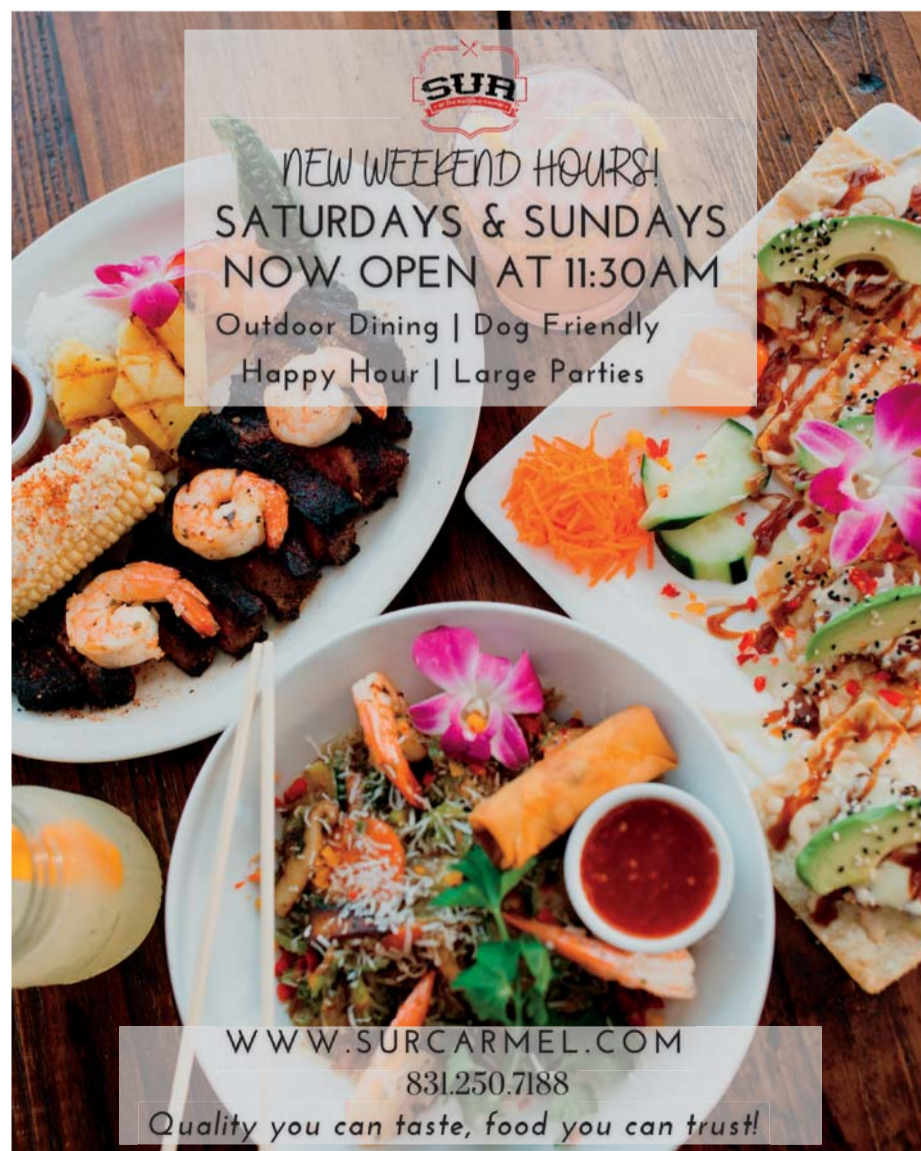
Ashley M. Jones,

Alabama's award-winning Poet Laureate

Also featuring Dr. Terry L. Greene II, composer, trombonist, voice actor and Erica Ledin, dance interpretation, choreographer Janice Griffin's painting, "Harriet's Courage," will be on display

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Phill's Barber Shop in Pacific Grove — **PG-13** (rock, Friday at 7 p.m.). 610 Lighthouse Ave.

Puma Road at Portola Plaza in Monterey — guitarist **Peter Martin** and bassist **Zach Westfall** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.). 281 Alvarado St.

Rio Grill — **Andrea's Fault Duo** (jazz and blues, Friday at 5 p.m.). 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 — **Vinyl Revival** ("danceable vintage and modern classics and some funk and soul," Friday at 8 p.m.), **The Chuck Brewer Band** (rock and blues, Saturday at 8 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Dan Frechette** (Thursday at 8 p.m.). 653 Cannery Row.

Sly McFly's in Monterey — **Everyday People** ("classic Latin rock with an old school twist," Friday at 9 p.m.), **Matt Masih & the Messengers** ("funk, soul and groove," Saturday at 9 p.m.), **The Long Distance Flyers** (classic rock, Monday at 9 p.m.), **Victory Lane** (classic rock, Tuesday at 9 p.m.), **Jon Griffin & The Lightfighters** (rock, Thursday at 9 p.m.). 700 Cannery Row.

Tarpy's in Monterey — **Andrea's Fault Duo** (jazz and blues, Saturday at noon). 2999 Highway 68.

Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Dave D'oh** (pop, rock and soul, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place.

Twisted Roots Wine Tasting Room in Carmel Valley — guitarist **Adam Astrup** (jazz, Sunday at 1 p.m.). 12 Del Fino Place, (831) 594-8282.

Village Wine and Taproom in Carmel

Valley — **Bubba Pickens** (bluegrass, Saturday at 1 p.m.). 5 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 8 p.m.). 545 Lighthouse Ave.

To update these listings, email chris@carmelpinecone.com

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PUBLIC NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230969
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MERCEDES-BENZ OF PEBBLE BEACH, 498 Fremont Street, Monterey, CA 93940.**
Mailing address: 2229 San Felipe St., Suite 1125, Houston, TX 77019.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: LAPIS BLUE STAR CALIFORNIA LLC, 2229 San Felipe Street, Suite 1125, Houston TX

77019.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: DE
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
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/Todd Blue, Manager
Date signed: May 18, 2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 19, 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 residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: June 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023. (PC 603)

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/Ahmed Abdulla
Date signed: May 23, 2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 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: June 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023. (PC 604)

Registered Owner(s): Palacios Inc., 11 Thomas Owens Way, Monterey CA 93940; CA
This business is conducted by a corporation.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable
S/ Matthew C. Palacios, President
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 05/17/2023
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Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: June 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023. (PC 608)

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, June 14, 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. To participate via teleconference, use this link: <https://ci-carmel-ca-us.zoom.us/j/85318916129?pwd=QTVTVEROZVRVend2R3daNfo3ZW9CQ0T09>. 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 23-069 (Mitchell-Berchem)
Patrick LeMaster, Architect
Santa Rita 2 northwest of 4th Avenue
Block: 39, Lot: 17
APN 010-029-009
Consideration of a Combined Concept and Final Design, DS 23-069 (Mitchell-Berchem), and associated Coastal Development Permit for the full exterior renovation, a 268-square-foot net addition, and construction of a 220-square-foot detached carport in the front yard setback to an existing nonconforming 2-story, 1,737-square-foot single-family residence, inclusive of a 269-square-foot attached carport located on Santa Rita northwest of 4th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) Zoning District.

the Single-Family Residential (R-1) Zoning District.
DS 23-036 (Metcalff)
Adam Jeselnick, Architect
Torres Street 4 southeast of 4th Avenue
Block 47, Lot 10
APN 010-091-012
Consideration of a Concept Design Study, DS 23-036 (Metcalff), for the demolition of an 868-square-foot, single-story residence and construction of a 1,600-square-foot, two-story residence located on Torres Street 4 southeast of 4th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) Zoning District.

DS 23-019 (De Caussin)
Amy Denney, Architect
Carmelo Street 2 northeast of 8th Avenue
Block N, Lot 16
APN 010-265-010
Consideration of a Concept Design Study, DS 23-019 (De Caussin), for a 265-square-foot net addition to a 1,466-square-foot, two-story residence located at Carmelo 2 northeast of 8th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) Zoning District.

DS 23-022 (Bellasis)
Adam Jeselnick, Architect
4th Avenue 2 Northeast of Lobos Street
Block 18, Lot 2
APN 010-013-004
Consideration of a Concept Design Study, DS 23-022 (Bellasis), 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 22-191 (Nute)
Lewis Builders, Contractor
Northwest Corner of Carpenter Street and 4th Avenue
Block 41, Lot 19
APN 010-023-008
Consideration of a revised Concept Design Study application, DS 22-191 (Nute), for the demolition of more than 50 percent of the exterior walls of a single-story residence and construction of a new two-story residence located at the northwest corner of Carpenter Street and 4th Avenue in

AD 23-155 (Wandering Tours)
Louise Bristow, Applicant
Southwest Corner of Ocean & Mission Avenues
Block 77, Lots 1 & 2
APN 010-141-001
Consideration of an Administrative Determination, AD 23-155 (Wandering Tours), regarding a business license application, BL 23-029 (Wandering Tours), for clarification concerning whether staff may allow the establishment of a walking tour of wine tasting stores in Carmel located in the Central Commercial (CC) Zoning District.

City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
Brandon Swanson, Director of Community Planning & Building
Publication dates: June 2, 2023 (PC613)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230989
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **EL REY FRESH PRODUCE, 201 E. Alisal St., Salinas 93905.**
Mailing address: 323 Williams Rd., Salinas, CA 93905.
Registered Owner(s): AHMED AWED ABDULLA 1883 Stratford Ct, 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 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/Anthony L Lombardo
Date signed: May 24, 2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 24, 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: June 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023. (PC 607)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20230991
Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **INDIAN VALLEY CATTLE COMPANY, 144 W. Gabilan Street, Salinas, CA 93901.**
Mailing address: P.O. Box 7078, Carmel, CA 93921.
Registered Owner(s): ANTHONY L. LOMBARDO, 144 W. Gabilan Street, Salinas, CA 93901.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 1992.
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).
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE - CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. 23CV001364
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, RAQUEL MINGURA-CHAVEZ, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: RAQUEL JOHNSON.
A Present name: RAQUEL MINGURA-CHAVEZ
Proposed name: RAQUEL FREYJA JOHNSON
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name change 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: June 23, 2023
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
DEPT: 13A
The address of the court is 1200 Agujito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
A copy of this Order to Show Cause must be published at least once each week for four successive weeks before the date set for hearing on the petition in a newspaper of general circulation: The Carmel Pine Cone. Printed in this county: Monterey County
(s) Carrie M. Panetta
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: May 2, 2023
Publication Dates: June 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023. (PC 609)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE - CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. 23CV001711
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, QUIRSTEN RACHELLE BROWN, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A Present name: QUIRSTEN RACHELLE BROWN
Proposed name: CHARLIE JAMES BUCHANAN
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name change 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: July 7, 2023
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
DEPT: 13A
The address of the court is 1200 Agujito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
A copy of this Order to Show Cause must be published at least once each week for four successive weeks before the date set for hearing on the petition in a newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone.
(s) Carrie M. Panetta
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: May 26, 2023
Publication Dates: June 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023. (PC 610)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO LEVY AND COLLECT ANNUAL CARMEL VALLEY RECREATION AND PARK MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENTS DISTRICT ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 14, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as may be heard, the Board of Directors of the Carmel Valley Recreation & Park District will hold a Public Hearing to consider levying and ordering the collection of the assessments for the Carmel Valley Recreation and Park Maintenance Assessment District for Fiscal Year 2023-24. The Board will accept public comments and questions, and consider ordering the maintenance of improvements, confirming diagrams and assessments and the levying and collection of assessments.

This hearing will be held at 29 Ford Road, Carmel Valley, California, 93924.

A Resolution of Intention to Levy and Collect Assessments for the above referenced Park Maintenance Assessment District was approved by the Board of Directors of the Carmel Valley Recreation & Park District on May 22, 2023 by Resolution No. 2023-02. The fiscal year 2023-24 assessments shall be levied and increased by 5.6% over that which was levied in the prior fiscal year.

Information regarding the Final Engineer's Report for the Park Maintenance Assessment District may be obtained from the Carmel Valley Recreation and Park District by calling (831) 659-7275. It can also be read on the website cvrpd.specialdistrict.org.

Any interested person may file a written protest with the Board of Directors prior to the conclusion of the Public Hearing, or having previously filed a protest may file a written withdrawal of that protest. A written protest shall state all grounds of objection, and a protest by a property owner shall contain a description sufficient to identify the property owned by such property owner. At the Public Hearing all interested persons shall be afforded the opportunity to hear and be heard. The address to file a written protest is P.O. Box 334, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.

Published: June 2, 2023
Posted: June 2, 2023
Publication date: June 2, 2023 (PC518)

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The Carmel Pine Cone

Real Estate



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Escrows closed: 44
Total value: \$94,603,000

Carmel

**San Carlos Street, 2 SW of Second Avenue —
\$2,500,000**

Nicholas Moore to Mary Ann Orr
APN 010-125-012

**Casanova Street, 2 SE of Fourth Avenue —
\$3,825,000**

Karen Zucchini to Lionel and Natasha Liniger
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OPEN SAT
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1032 San Carlos Rd.

Pebble Beach ■ 3 beds, 3.5 baths ■ \$5,200,000 ■ www.1032SanCarlosRoad.com



Carmel ■ 3 beds, 2.5 baths ■ \$4,395,000 ■ www.26246CarmeloStreet.com



Monterey ■ 4 beds, 4.5 baths ■ \$4,345,000 ■ www.MonterraOaks.com



Carmel ■ 3 beds, 3.5 baths ■ \$2,795,000 ■ www.9502AlderCourt.com



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HOME SALES

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Carmel (con't.)

Carmelo Street, 4 SE of 13th Avenue — \$5,300,000

Diane and Peter Smith to Janet Geiger
APN 010-284-014

Carmel Highlands

35678 Highway 1 — \$24,500,000

Andrea Kleissner, Die Zukunft Trust and Kalai KD Trust to Garrapata Coast LLC
APN 243-231-013/015/016

Carmel Valley

97 Hacienda Carmel — \$498,000



3012 Arido Way, Marina — \$1,264,000

Estate of Norbert Kammer to Hilary Anderson and Becky Payton
APN 015-337-012

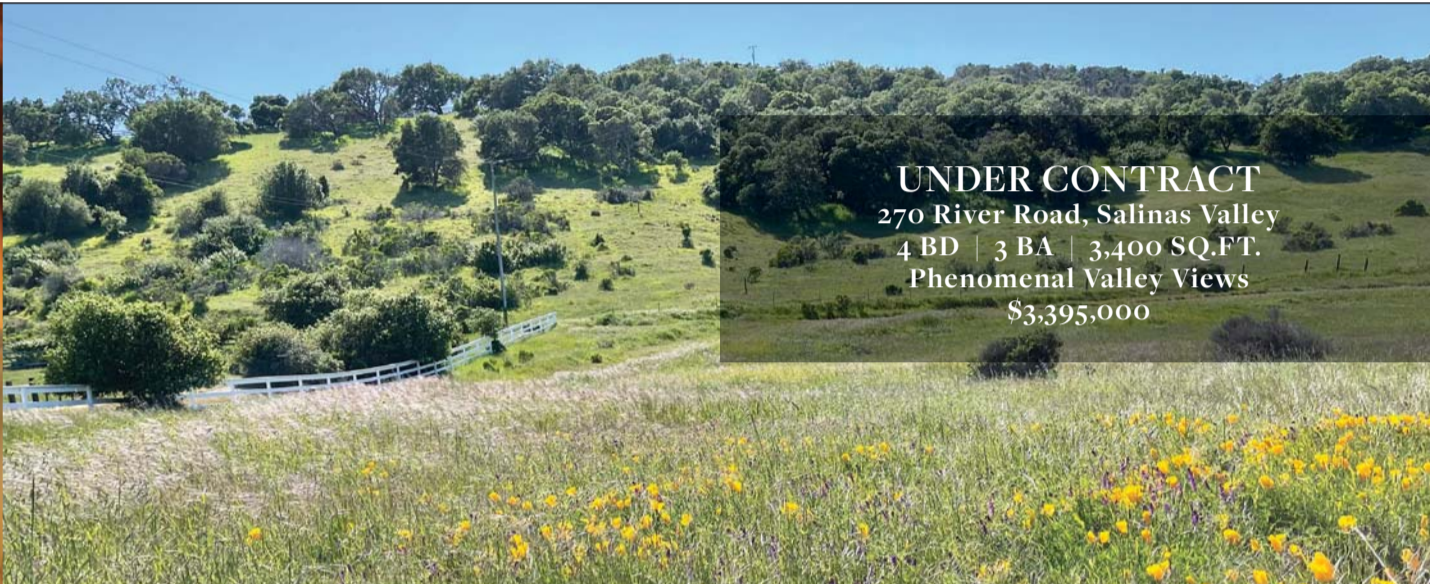
Calle de los Helechos — \$600,000



11575 Rancho Fiesta Road, Carmel Valley — \$1,400,000

Richard Crane to Jeremy and Michelle Ricketson
APN 189-331-010

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UNDER CONTRACT
270 River Road, Salinas Valley
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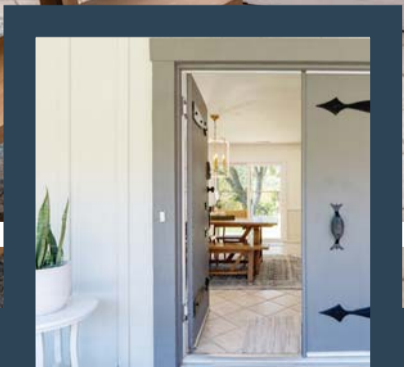


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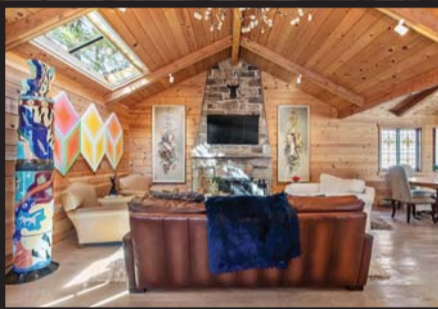
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Things are only impossible until they're not — **Starfleet Commander Capt. Jean-Luc Picard**

CERTAIN PHENOMENA often occur without my awareness or understanding. For example, I wasn't aware of the launch of Tik Tok, and I don't know what it is. Instagram is a mystery to me. That's OK. I shouldn't be facile with those new-fangled marvels. Age has a lot to do with it. Curmudgeonology is a lifelong study. One earns a doctorate only by attaining senior status.

Maybe I was a curmudgeon at an early age. I thought inventions such as Frisbees, hula-hoops, and yo-yos were impractical — maybe because I couldn't master them. What's practical? The inventor of the screw top wine bottle is right up there with Gutenberg, Edison and Ron Popeil.

Space race

I recently learned the concept of advertising in space has been around for a few years. Apparently if companies are willing to spend millions of dollars for a 30-second spot during the Super Bowl, the sky's the limit for the price of an ad in space. It seems advertisers have been trying to put a logo on the moon for a long time.

Cue Star Wars theme: Once upon a time, in a galaxy far, far away, a peculiar phenomenon emerged: advertising invaded outer space. Picture this: a vast expanse of stars, planets, and interstellar wonders, now interspersed with billboards, jingles (space is the place for the helpful hardware man) echoing through nebulae, and flashy spacecraft adorned with flashy logos. A cosmic collision of commerce and the cosmos.

I can see everyone in the world tilting his or her head sky ward to view a candy

bar commercial. What candy bar? C'mon get with the program. Milky Way, of course. The prospects are endless enough to send an advertising copywriter running up the flagpole and into outer space. (Like a good neighbor, the red planet is there.)

Pluto has lost its planetary status but Disney would spend a fortune returning the planet to its former prominence by

Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVASE

declaring it the most distant Magic Kingdom. Since Pluto is a dwarf planet it should be easy to fit it with mouse ears.

Planet Neptune is a natural advertising connection for the Neptune Society. You can have your grandmother's ashes spread more than two billion miles away. Oops, that might cause problems trying to get 12 years off from work to attend her funeral. Mercury would be the perfect spot for a billboard displaying a new Grand Marquis. I tried to avoid doing this, but it's too good to pass up. How about a huge billboard for a hemorrhoid ointment on Uranus?

Farfetched?

We can't forget constellations being associated with commercial products. Red Bull and Taurus. Leo and the MGM lion. How about Snoop Dog lounging around Corona Borealis with a lime in his long-neck beer bottle?

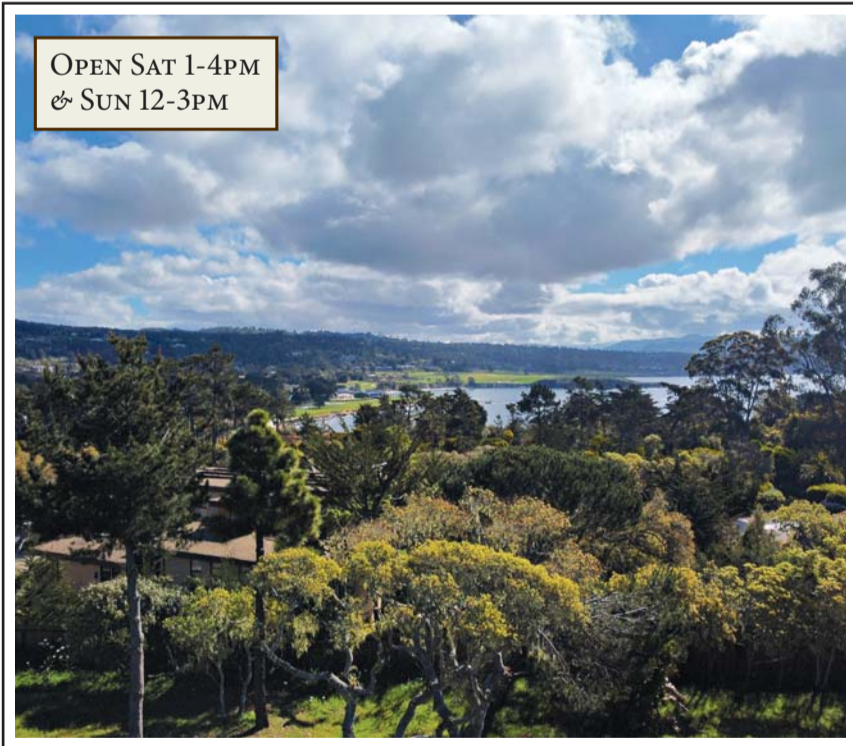
You may think all of this is farfetched. Back in 1993 Michael Lawson, CEO of a company named Space Marketing Inc. planned to create an enormous inflatable billboard that would be seen from Earth for about two weeks. It wasn't going to be

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Jamal Noorzoy's Featured Luxury Listings

1472 PADRE LANE, PEBBLE BEACH

Rare Opportunity with Ocean Views by the Lodge

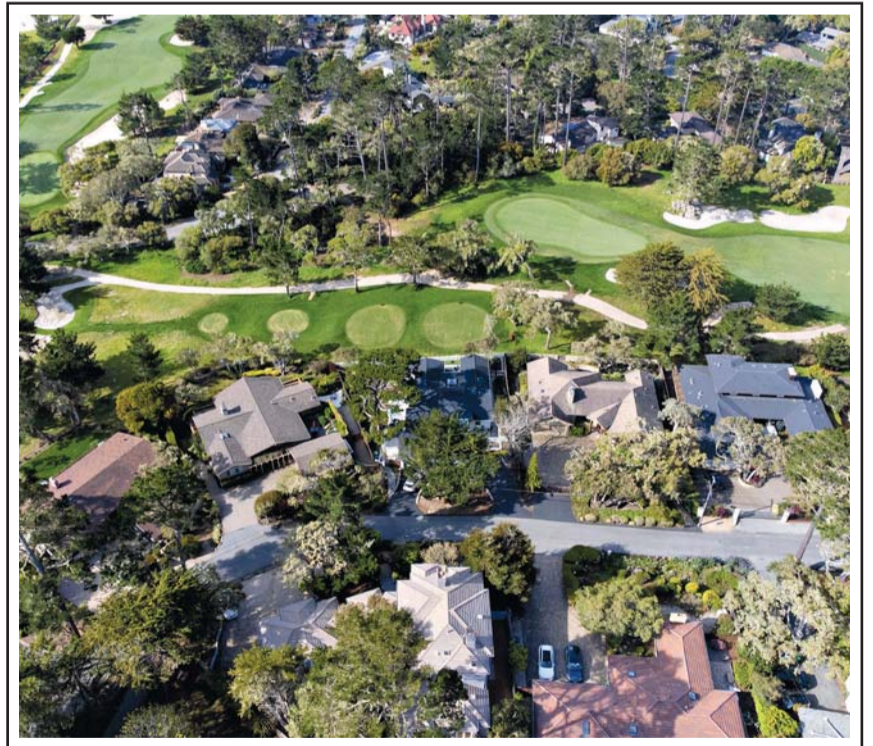


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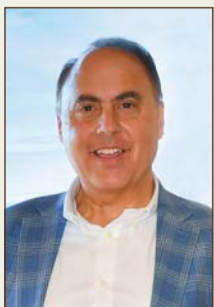
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POLICE LOG

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THURSDAY, MAY 18

Pacific Grove: Officers were dispatched to a possible domestic incident on David Avenue. Upon arrival, one half was contacted, and it was determined no physical domestic had occurred. The second half, a 40-year-old male, was later contacted in a neighboring jurisdiction and arrested for public intoxication after it was determined no physical domestic had occurred.

FRIDAY, MAY 19

Carmel-by-the-Sea: No calls to report.
Pacific Grove: Officers dispatched to a residence on Forest Hill Road regarding a verbal disturbance between family members. It was determined that an adult female had assaulted her elderly father, causing injury to him and to an adult sibling. The 42-year-old female was arrested and booked into the Monterey County Jail.
Carmel Valley: Deputies were dispatched to a civil matter on Ford Road.
Pacific Grove: Officers dispatched to a domestic disturbance on Grand Avenue. A 27-year-old female was arrested for probation violation and spousal abuse and was booked

into Monterey County Jail on \$20,000 bail.
Pacific Grove: Resident reported a violation of a restraining order. Perpetrator's location is unknown. Matter forwarded to Monterey County District Attorney's Office.
Pacific Grove: Officers dispatched after report of a woman lost inside a restaurant on Lighthouse Avenue. The woman was evaluated and placed on an involuntary mental health hold.
Pacific Grove: Officers were dispatched to the residential area of Jewell Avenue regarding abandoned property.

SATURDAY, MAY 20

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of fraud on Ocean Avenue.
Pacific Grove: Vandalism to a city fence on Ocean View Boulevard reported.
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female at Lincoln and Seventh reported losing her purse while visiting downtown Carmel.
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female lost her driver's license while visiting downtown Carmel.
Pacific Grove: Officers dispatched to a park at Moreland and Piedmont regarding juveniles smoking marijuana in public.
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury collision on Dolores Street.

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SHERIFF

From previous page

SUNDAY, MAY 21

Pacific Grove: A hit-and-run collision occurred at Central and Eardley involving mul-

iple vehicles. Driver located and found to be driving under the influence. The 40-year-old female suspect was transported and booked into Monterey County Jail.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Three pellet guns surrendered for destruction by a resident of Santa Rita.

Pacific Grove: Non-injury collision on Sunset Drive resulting in the DUI arrest of a

31-year-old male.

Pacific Grove: Report of a subject on Ocean View Boulevard suffering from an overdose. Subject transported to the hospital.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Theft at Junipero and Sixth.

Big Sur: Female on the Coast Road was placed on a W&I 5150 hold [danger to self or others].

Carmel Valley: Paso Hondo resident reported theft of items from an unlocked vehicle. Theft occurred during the night hours.

Carmel Valley: A welfare check was conducted on a resident on Hidden Hills Road.

Pebble Beach: Deputies responded to Ortega Road for a report of a male adult who struck his girlfriend and stole her cell phone and purse.

MONDAY, MAY 22

Carmel-by-the-Sea: California and Oregon driver's licenses found.

Carmel Valley: Report of financial exploitation of a Hacienda Carmel resident.

Carmel area: Resident reported a theft from a vehicle at the Crossroads shopping center.

TUESDAY, MAY 23

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Ammo surrendered in the lobby by a resident at Junipero and First.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject at Mission and Seventh lost a key fob at approximately 1710 hours.

OPEN SAT & SUN 1 - 4 | NEC Santa Rita & 5th, Carmel-by-the-Sea



This 3 bd, 2.5 ba, 1733 SqFt Bohemian Cottage, named "Cornerstone" is surrounded by a historic Carmel Stone wall. This has been a 2-year renovation by the owner/interior designer. She has previously been featured in Architectural Digest. Walking through the new Dutch door of the cottage you are greeted by a hand cobbled Carmel Stone wall and new contemporary remote gas fireplace. The airy white living room has a new dark olive Du Chateau wood floors. The state of the art Homeworks system controls lighting, motorized shades, 4 tv(s), Sonos sound system, wireless network to mention a few. Stepping onto the slate and glass balcony, the radiant heaters will cut the coastal chill while you enjoy the filtered views of Pt. Lobos & Carmel Bay.

The kitchen features Carrera marble countertops, tumbled stone backsplashes, high end appliances and designer light fixtures. No expense has been spared by the owner using only quality finishes to enhance charm in every corner.

Three short blocks to downtown Carmel and steps to the Carl Cherry Center for the Arts, this cottage sits on a 57 x 100 ft lot. Renovations are the ultimate experience in discreet luxury living for any owner or visitor. Offered at \$3,525,000



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GERVASE

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especially far away, around 150 miles. The billboard was to be made from Mylar, that foil-like stuff used to make helium birthday balloons.

Look up in the sky! It's a bird. It's a plane. It's a huge "It's a Girl" balloon, or more appropriately for today — "It Identifies as a Girl" balloon.

By November 1993 Space Marketing had received more than a dozen inquiries from prospective clients. One of Lawson's original ideas was to loft the five-ring symbol of the Olympic games. A 1993, news release issued by Space Marketing quoted Lawson as saying, "A tremendous opportunity exists for a global-oriented company to have its logo and message seen by billions of people on a history-making, high profile vehicle."

Obviously, Mr. Lawson's plan still

hasn't reached orbital stage. As recently as two weeks ago, Elon Musk said he would soon begin advertising Teslas. Who better to be a lead advertiser in space than Mr. Musk?

I would like to use outer space to rid the airwaves of some of television's more obnoxious commercial personalities. Auto Insurance Companies have captured the market using insufferable people to hawk their wares. Off you go Flo, to a galaxy far, far away. And on your way dump that gimpy gecko and that ugly Emu into a black hole.

Anyway, I'm leery of the whole concept of commercializing space. The James Webb space telescope has allowed astronomers to look back to the dawn of time, revealing new secrets about the origins of the universe. What if they discover that the Big Bang theory was just the Energizer Bunny banging on his drum?

Beam me up, Scotty.

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THE GROVE

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MONTERRAOAKS.COM | \$4,345,000

Take in amazing views of Monterey Bay from the privacy of this single-level modern craftsman home set on over 3 acres of forest near the top of Monterra Ranch. The stunning copper entrance door sets the stage for luxurious living, where you'll find expansive picture windows in the living room, a dry stack fireplace, and a handsomely crafted wet bar. The kitchen is

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405 Gibson Avenue, Pacific Grove — \$1,336,000



1218 Del Monte Blvd., Pacific Grove— \$3,150,000



1250 Harrison Street, Monterey — \$1,264,000

ESCROWS

From page 4RE

Carmel Valley (con't.)

6 Del Mesa Carmel — \$790,000

Kristina Howard to Janet Chapman
APN 015-444-013

Parrott Ranch Road — \$1,030,000

Ronald Parkins and Elizabeth Turner to Vazgen Madatian and Carmel Madady
APN 418-281-014

11523 Hidden Hills Road — \$1,300,000

Patrick and Amelia Bacher to Angela Hwang and Abdalla Emam
APN 416-091-012

11575 Rancho Fiesta Road — \$1,400,000

Redwood Holdings LLC to Andrew Suth
APN 416-027-004

73 Calle de los Ositos — \$1,685,000

Bruce Gilbert to Superlegga Estate Holdings LLC
APN 189-332-008

260 W. Carmel Valley Road — \$1,830,000

William and Lindsay Lynch to William and Cathy Hines
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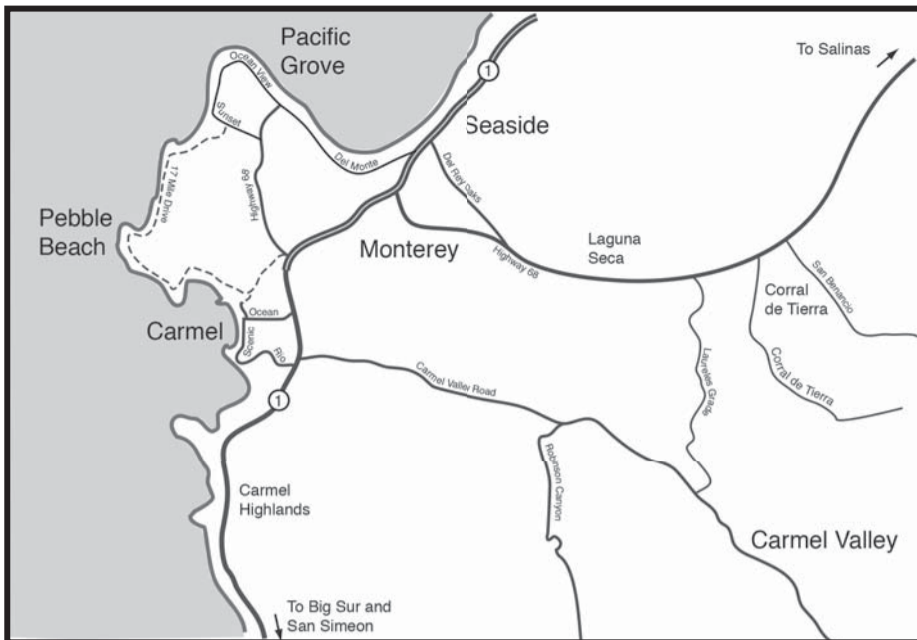
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\$850,000	1bd 1.5ba	Sa Su 12-2
3600 High Meadow #25 Coldwell Banker Realty		
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107 Del Mesa Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE		
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3850 Rio Rd. #51 David Lyng Real Estate		
\$1,150,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 12-2
148 Del Mesa Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE		
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243 Del Mesa Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$1,295,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1-4
129 Del Mesa Carmel Coldwell Banker Realty		
\$1,595,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 12-3
26571 Oliver Rd Compass		
\$2,375,000	4bd 3ba	Su 1-3
4230 Marguerita Way Carmel Realty Company		
\$2,695,000	3bd 2ba	Su 11-1
Mission & 3rd NW St 6 Coldwell Banker Realty		
\$2,887,900	5bd 4ba	Sa Su 12-4
3235 Rio Road David Lyng Real Estate		
\$3,395,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 1-3
Mission 8 SE of 8th Ave. Compass		
\$3,399,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 12-2
Dolores 3 NE of 10th Compass		



\$3,525,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa Su 1-4
NEC Santa Rita & 5th Peninsula Realty		
\$4,500,000	4bd 3.5ba	Su 2-4
3800 Genista Way Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$4,800,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 12-3 Su 11-3
San Antonio 2 SE of 10th Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$4,850,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
2579 14th Avenue Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$4,895,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 1-3 Su 1-4
SE Corner Camino Real & 9th Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$4,989,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-4
N. Carmelo 5 SE of 2nd Monterey Peninsula Home Team		

\$4,995,000	5bd 4.5ba	Sa 1-3 Su 1:30-4:30
24876 Pescadero Rd Coldwell Banker Realty		
\$5,400,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa Su 12-3
San Antonio 3 NW of 11th Carmel Realty Company		
\$5,950,000	4bd 3ba	Sa 12-3 Su 2-4
25962 Ridgewood Rd Coldwell Banker Realty		
\$8,800,000	4bd 3ba	Sa 1-3
5 Yankee Beach Way Compass		

CARMEL VALLEY

\$560,000	2bd 1ba	Su 1-4
37147 Nason Rd Gerry Bennett		
\$3,095,000	4bd 3ba	Su 1-4
36 Encina Drive Carmel Realty Company		
\$3,795,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa Su 12-2
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DEL REY OAKS

\$925,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 10-12
12 Quendale Avenue Sotheby's Int'l RE		

MONTEREY

\$1,395,000	1bd 1ba	Fr 2-5 Sa Su 1-4
125 Surf Way #331 Sotheby's Int'l RE		

\$1,749,900	4bd 3ba	Sa 1-3
25 Cielo Vista Drive Platinum One Real Estate		
\$2,290,000	7bd 7.5ba	Sa Su 12-4
1100 Pacific St David Lyng Real Estate		



\$2,495,000	3bd 3.5ba	Sa Su 12-3
127 Las Brisas Drive Carmel Realty Company		

PACIFIC GROVE

\$1,850,000	4bd 3ba	Fr 4-6 Sa 1-3 Su 1-4
218 4th Street Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$1,875,000	0bd 0ba	Sa Su 1-3
481 Lighthouse Avenue Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$4,689,000	4bd 4.5ba	Sa Su 1-4
440 Crocker Avenue Carmel Realty Company		

PEBBLE BEACH

\$1,300,000	3bd 3ba	Sa Su 1-3
37 Ocean Pines Lane Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$2,690,000	3bd 2ba	Fr 1-4 Sa 11-3 Su 12-4
3053 Strawberry Hill Road Schlerling Properties		
\$3,150,000	4bd 3ba	Sa Su 1-3
2840 Paradise Park Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$3,395,000	3bd 3ba	Sa Su 12-3
2930 Lupin Lane Carmel Coast Realty		
\$5,200,000	3bd 3.5ba	Sa Su 12-3
1032 San Carlos Road Carmel Realty Company		
\$5,995,000	4bd 4ba	Sa 1-4
1472 Padre Lane Carmel Realty Company		

SALINAS

\$875,000	4bd 2.5ba	Sa 12-3 Su 1-3
9595 S Century Oak Road Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$1,775,000	4bd 3ba	Sa Su 1-3
70 Corral De Tierra Road Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$3,150,000	4bd 4ba	Sa Su 12-4
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230753
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **LAUREN HOPE PHOTOGRAPHY, 767 Nacional Ct., Salinas, CA 93901.**
 Registered Owner(s):
 LAUREN HOPE TOOMEY, 767 Nacional Ct., Salinas, CA 93901.
 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/Lauren Toomey
 Date signed: April 17, 2023.
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 17, 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: May 12, 19, 26; June 2, 2023 (PC 510)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230838
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
Culturax Multi-Cancer Screening Center, 2100 Garden Rd., Building B H-2, Monterey, CA 93940. County of Monterey.
 Registered Owner(s):
 Ocean Breeze Home Health Inc., 2100 Garden Road, Building B, Suite H-2, 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/ Flor Mora, CEO
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/27/2023
 5/12, 5/19, 5/26, 6/2/23
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CARMEL PINE CONE
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230863
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
1. COTTAGE COMPANIES
2. COTTAGE SERVICES
3. COTTAGE MANAGEMENT,
2 VIA VAQUERA, CARMÉL, CA 93923; MAILING ADDRESS: 1188 NOE STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94114. County of MONTEREY
 Registered Owner(s):
 COTTAGE COMPANIES LLC 2 VIA VAQUERA, CARMEL, CA 93923
 This business is conducted by A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 3/13/2023
 S/ JASON DREW FRIEDRICHS
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on MAY 2, 2023
 5/12, 5/19, 5/26, 6/2/23
CNS-3698965#
CARMEL PINE CONE
 Publication Dates: May 12, 19, 26; June 2, 2023. (PC 513)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230858
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
TLC HOMEBUYERS, 1628 N. Main St. Ste 112, Salinas, CA 93906
 County of MONTEREY
 Registrant(s):
 HOMETRUST PROPERTIES LLC, 221 PRADER ST. STE.C, SALINAS, CA 93901
 This business is conducted by a limited liability company
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
 HOMETRUST PROPERTIES LLC
 S/ Irlesis Rodriguez, Managing Member.
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 05/01/2023.
 5/12, 5/19, 5/26, 6/2/23

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CARMEL PINE CONE
 Publication Dates: May 12, 19, 26; June 2, 2023. (PC 515)
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
 File No. 20230857
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
CO-HOST MANAGEMENT, 39 Ocean Pines Lane, Pebble Beach, CA 93953 County of MONTEREY
 Registrant(s):
 HIGHTOP2 LLC, 39 Ocean Pines Lane, Pebble Beach, CA 93953
 This business is conducted by a limited liability company
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
 HIGHTOP2 LLC
 S/ Yung Giesler, Managing Member,
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 05/01/2023.
 5/12, 5/19, 5/26, 6/2/23
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CARMEL PINE CONE
 Publication Dates: May 12, 19, 26; June 2, 2023. (PC 516)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230860
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
SUNCORE, 2270 Silverstone Street, Royal Oaks, California 95706.
 Mailing address: P.O. Box 1913, Aptos, CA 95001.
 Registered Owner(s):
 VINCE SOLBES, 2270 SILVERSTONE ST., ROYAL OAKS, CA 95076.
 This business is conducted by an individual.
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 20, 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/Vince Solbes
 Date signed: _____ 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 1, 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: May 12, 19, 26; June 2, 9, 2023. (PC 523)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230889
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
Ivy Park at Monterey, 1110 Cass St., Monterey, CA 93940, County of Monterey
 Mailing Address: 4500 Dorr Street, Toledo, OH 43615
 Registered Owner(s):
 Welltower OpCo Group LLC, 4500 Dorr Street, Toledo, OH 43615; DE
 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/ Mary Ellen Pisanelli, Manager
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 05/05/2023
 5/19, 5/26, 6/2, 6/9/23
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CARMEL PINE CONE
 Publication Dates: May 19, 26; June 2, 9, 2023. (PC 524)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230849
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MONTEREY EXPEDITONS, 660 Irving Ave., Monterey, CA 93940.**
 Registered Owner(s):
 BRIAN JOHN DERUBES, 660 Irving Ave., 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 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/Brian John Derubés
 Date signed: May 1, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 1, 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: May 12, 19, 26; June 2, 2023 (PC 519)

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230897
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **A&L TOWING CORP, 619 Verano St., Soledad, CA 93960.**
 Mailing address: P.O. Box 843, Soledad, CA 93960.
 County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.
 Registered Owner(s): EDGAR A. PUENTES GÓMEZ
 Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: A&L TOWING CORP, 11 Center St., Salinas, CA 93905.
 State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CALIFORNIA
 This business is conducted by a corporation.
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 22, 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 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/Edgar A. Puentes Gomez, President
 Date: April 8, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 8, 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: May 19, 26; June 2, 9, 2023. (PC 523)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230889
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
Ivy Park at Monterey, 1110 Cass St., Monterey, CA 93940, County of Monterey
 Mailing Address: 4500 Dorr Street, Toledo, OH 43615
 Registered Owner(s):
 Welltower OpCo Group LLC, 4500 Dorr Street, Toledo, OH 43615; DE
 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/ Mary Ellen Pisanelli, Manager
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 05/05/2023
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CARMEL PINE CONE
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230880
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **HARRIS ROCK HOME REPAIR, 314 Cedar St., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.**
 Registered Owner(s):
 DANIEL WOOD ROCKWELL, 314 Cedar St., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.
 This business is conducted by an individual.
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 3, 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/Daniel Wood Rockwell
 Date signed: May 3, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 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: May 12, 19, 26; June 2, 2023 (PC 519)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230837
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
A.C.T. After-School Theatre, 711 Cannery Row Suite N, Monterey, CA 93940. County of Monterey
 Registered Owner(s):
 Koly McBride, 711 Cannery Row Suite N, Monterey, CA 93940
 This business is conducted by an Individual
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable
 S/ Koly McBride
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/27/2023
 5/19, 5/26, 6/2, 6/9/23
CNS-3693049#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230837
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
A.C.T. After-School Theatre, 711 Cannery Row Suite N, Monterey, CA 93940. County of Monterey
 Registered Owner(s):
 Koly McBride, 711 Cannery Row Suite N, Monterey, CA 93940
 This business is conducted by an Individual
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable
 S/ Koly McBride
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/27/2023
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under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
 Publication Dates: May 19, 26; June 2, 9, 2023 (PC 526)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230866
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **TEETH WHITENING MONTEREY, 882 Abrego St., Monterey, CA 93940.**
 Mailing address: P.O. Box 1732, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.
 County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey
 Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: ORGANIX TEETH WHITENING LLC, 882 Abrego St., Monterey, CA 93940.
 State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
 This business is conducted by a limited liability company.
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 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 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/Julie Nix Quevedo, Manager
 Date: May 2, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 2, 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: May 19, 26; June 2, 9, 2023. (PC 527)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230937
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **FINESSED ARTISTRY, 1554 N. Main St., Suite B, Salinas, CA 93906.**
 Registered Owner(s):
 MALERIE CRISTINA AVILA, 221 Maryold Dr., 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 April 5, 2021.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
 S/Malerie Cristina Avila
 Date signed: May 15, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 15, 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: May 19, 26; June 2, 9, 2023 (PC 529)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230937
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **FINESSED ARTISTRY, 1554 N. Main St., Suite B, Salinas, CA 93906.**
 Registered Owner(s):
 MALERIE CRISTINA AVILA, 221 Maryold Dr., 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 April 5, 2021.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
 S/Malerie Cristina Avila
 Date signed: May 15, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 15, 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: May 19, 26; June 2, 9, 2023 (PC 529)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230837
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
A.C.T. After-School Theatre, 711 Cannery Row Suite N, Monterey, CA 93940. County of Monterey
 Registered Owner(s):
 Koly McBride, 711 Cannery Row Suite N, Monterey, CA 93940
 This business is conducted by an Individual
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable
 S/ Koly McBride
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/27/2023
 5/19, 5/26, 6/2, 6/9/23
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Publication Dates: May 19, 26; June 2, 9, 2023. (PC 530)

PUBLIC 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, any and all personal property including but not limited to furniture, clothing, tools, and/or other misc. items.
 Auction to be held at 1:00 pm on June 9, 2023
 at: www.selfstorageauction.com
 The property is stored at: Marina U Store Self Storage, 475 Reservation Road, Marina, CA 93933
Name of Tenants
 Kenneth S. Pollard
 Josephine Saula liga
 5/26, 6/2/23
CNS-3702756#
CARMEL PINE CONE
 Publication Dates: May 26; June 2, 2023. (PC 532)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230958
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **JULIA'S VEGETARIAN RESTAURANT, 1180 Forest Ave., Suite F, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.**
 Registered Owner(s):
 ANTHONY MICHAEL GERBINO, 1180 Forest Ave., Suite F, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.
 This business is conducted by an individual.
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 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 that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
 S/Anthony Gerbino
 Date signed: May 17, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 17, 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: May 26; June 2, 9, 16, 2023 (PC 533)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230937
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **1-800-PLUMBER+AIR OF MONTEREY COUNTY, 1787 Judson St., Seaside, CA 93955**
 County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey
 Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: MALDONADO ENTERPRISES LLC, 1787 Judson St., Seaside, CA 93955.
 State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
 This business is conducted by a limited liability company.
 Registrant commenced to transact business

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230723
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **1-800-PLUMBER+AIR OF MONTEREY COUNTY, 1787 Judson St., Seaside, CA 93955**
 County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey
 Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: MALDONADO ENTERPRISES LLC, 1787 Judson St., Seaside, CA 93955.
 State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
 This business is conducted by a limited liability company.
 Registrant commenced to transact business

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TS No. CA-23-953160-BF
 Order No.: 230053208-CA-VOI
YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 10/8/2003. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.
 A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by appointed trustee. The sale will be made, with or without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. **BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.** Trustor(s): **ROSANNE MAYHEW, A SINGLE PERSON** Recorded: 10/22/2003 as Instrument No. 2003128827 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **MONTEREY** County, California; Date of Sale: **6/13/2023 at 10:00 AM** Place of Sale: **At the main entrance to the County Administration Building, located at 148 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901.** Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$324,561.05** The purport property address is: **109 PINE WAY, CARMEL, CA 93923-9603.** Assessor's Parcel No.: **241-123-008-000** **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these sources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call **916-939-0772** for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this internet website <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: **CA-23-953160-BF.** Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. **NOTICE TO TENANT:** You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. The trustee has 14 days after the trustee sale to exercise this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call **916-939-0772**, or visit this internet website <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: **CA-23-953160-BF** to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. **NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE OWNER-OCCUPANT:** Any prospective owner-occupant as defined in Section 2924m of the California Civil Code who is the last and highest bidder at the trustee's sale shall provide the required affidavit or declaration of eligibility to the auctioneer at the trustee's sale or shall have it delivered to QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION by 5 p.m. on the next business day following the trustee's sale at the address set forth in the below signature block. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. Date: **QUALITY LOAN**

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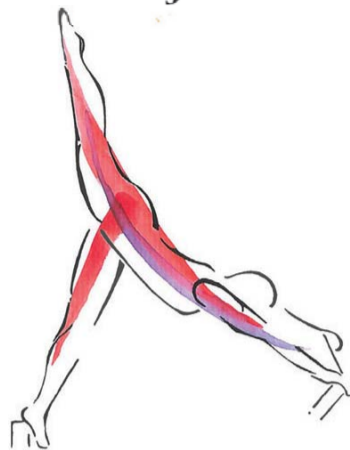
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500 Glenwood Circle unit 2210 — \$490,000

Margaret Swenson to Robert and Darcy Hodges
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James Thamer to Hanh Phan
APN 012-613-001

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APN 012-811-014**1603 Darwin Street — \$795,000**Joyce Reddic to Christian Grossman
APN 012-711-011**1106 Cantu Court — \$950,000**Joann Wilkins to Mohammad Gorjian
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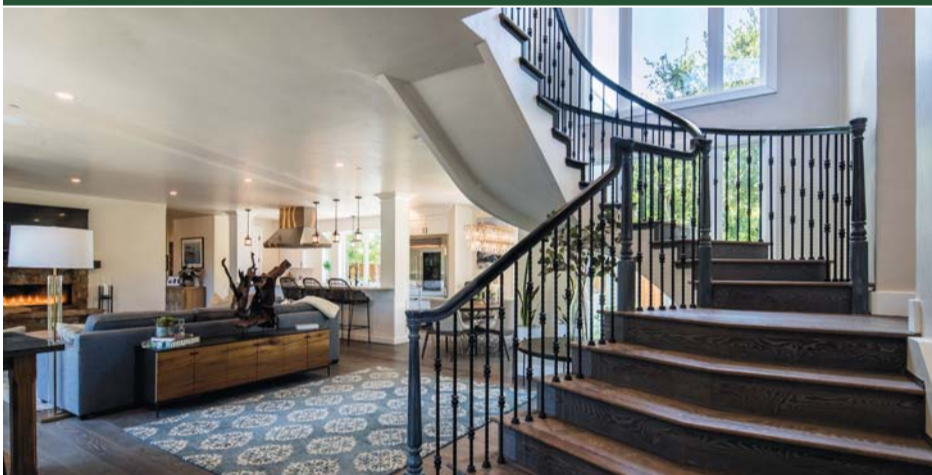
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