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## Who owns — and who controls — the beach?

■ Forest and beach commission spars over driftwood, tides

By MARY SCHLEY

**STRONG OPINIONS** about whether driftwood should be left on Carmel Beach and where the mean high tide line is dominated the lengthy discussion of a proposed



PHOTO/KERRY BELSER

On Carmel Beach, swimmers and strollers often have to dodge accumulations of driftwood, kelp and other debris, but should people be allowed to clean them up?

beach cleanup policy an Oct. 12 forest and beach commission meeting.

Commissioners got their second look at the proposal drafted by environmental programs manager Mary Bilse after engaging in a similar debate last month and putting off a decision. The city owns the beach above the mean high tide line, while everything below the line is controlled by the State of California or the federal government and is part of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary — which means a mixture of local, state and federal rules apply to what people casually call “the beach.”

Anyone who’s found an intact abalone shell in the surf and taken it home in jubilation has, in fact, committed a crime, as has anyone who’s moved kelp or driftwood, or let their kids put sand crabs in a bucket, according to state and federal laws protecting the marine environment — but only if they did it below the mean high tide line. And since the Carmel Bay State Marine Conservation Area was established in 2007 to impose a ban on taking any “living, geological or cultural marine resource” from the beach other than the recreational catching of fish and commercial harvesting of kelp, it’s likely the city’s experiments with mechanized beach rakes in 2010 and 2011 broke these rules, too — but only to the extent that they affected the beach below the mean high tide line.

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## Tomasi returning to run police department

By MARY SCHLEY

**AFTER TWO** years heading security at the Monterey Bay Aquarium, Paul Tomasi will be reinstated as Carmel’s police chief Dec. 1, while acting chief Jeff Watkins, who joined the department as an officer in 2005, rose through the ranks and was appointed acting chief when CPD’s former head was put on leave in January and “retired” six months later, is leaving at the end of the year to help his wife run their busy child-care business.

“When Paul walks into a room, there’s instant respect and leadership,” city administrator Chip Rerig said Tuesday after announcing Tomasi’s pending reinstatement late last week. “Jeff stepped into the breach and has done a great job.”

During his 13-year career at Carmel P.D., Tomasi was promoted to commander in 2013 and replaced Mike Calhoun as chief in late 2016 before retiring from police work in October 2021 to take the aquarium job. A diver since the age of 14 and passionate about marine life and science, the post was a perfect fit.



Paul Tomasi

**An eye on the city**

But Tomasi never lost track of the community he cared so much about, religiously reading every issue of The Pine Cone and even watching city council meetings online, he said this week. He was particularly aware of the turmoil at the police department, including the short tenure of Alan

See **TOMASI** page 18A

## Supes reject calls to denounce Hamas, support Israel

By KELLY NIX

**A PROPOSAL** by a member of the Monterey County Board of Supervisors to condemn the Oct. 7 attack by Hamas against Israeli citizens and back that country’s right to defend itself against terrorism was defeated Tuesday on a 3-2 vote after an emotionally charged meeting in which most public speakers opposed the idea.

District 1 Supervisor Luis Alejo last week asked that the board back a resolution generally supporting Israel, which mostly mirrored a version approved by Rep. Jimmy Panetta and more than 400 members of Congress. But three supervisors — Mary Adams, Wendy Root Askew and Glenn Church — voted to postpone adoption until the language could be changed, though they didn’t say specifically what should be altered.

On Tuesday, with a new version having been tweaked

by county attorneys, the supervisors were again tasked with voting on it. After hearing from mostly pro-Palestine speakers upset with the resolution, the supervisors voted 3-2 in favor of taking no action on the document. Alejo and District 3 Supervisor Chris Lopez dissented.

**Apologizes for ‘pain’**

Askew, who called the resolution divisive, proposed that the supervisors take no action.

“I stand firmly against all acts of violence committed against people, be they in Israel, be they in Gaza,” she said. “There is clearly no way we can speak for our community. Our community is hurting and the actions of our board have caused additional harm and additional pain.”

Noting that he understood there have been atrocities

See **ISRAEL** page 12A

## CHOMP loses bid to overturn \$9.5M verdict

By KELLY NIX

**A MONTEREY** County judge has rejected requests by Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula and its parent company, Montage Health, to overturn a jury’s verdict that a longtime hospital supervisor was wrongfully fired for raising concerns about patient care and billing issues.

The hospital’s vice president told The Pine Cone this week it’s considering appealing the ruling.

Former Community Hospital cardiology services director Jared Stiver, who worked for CHOMP for about 13 years, alleged in a 2021 lawsuit that he was fired in retaliation after speaking out about an “abnormally high rate of complications” during heart procedures and “billing improprieties” at the hospital. After an 11-day trial in May, the jury agreed with Stiver, finding that Montage and CHOMP fired him without good cause and that he was

See **CHOMP** page 20A

## HOTEL CONSTRUCTION BEGINS WITH A CRUNCH



PHOTO/KELLY NIX

An excavator operator began demolishing an old building in P.G. Wednesday to make way for a 100-room, 95,000-square-foot hotel. See page 10A.

## Laird, Addis blame Sacramento for housing mandates

By MARY SCHLEY

**LEGISLATORS** IN Sacramento who represent large urban areas are driving the housing mandates and pro-development laws being decried by public officials and residents in small cities like Carmel-by-the-Sea, State Sen. John Laird and Assemblywoman Dawn Addis said during a talk hosted by the Carmel Residents Association and moderated by Pine Cone publisher Paul Miller Monday night. And that’s unlikely to change anytime soon.

“There’s a question of ‘What are people thinking in Sacramento?’” Laird said in his opening remarks, but the state is “3 million under meeting the demand,” for housing, people’s children can’t afford to live in their hometowns, and the “rank and file” can’t find homes where they work.

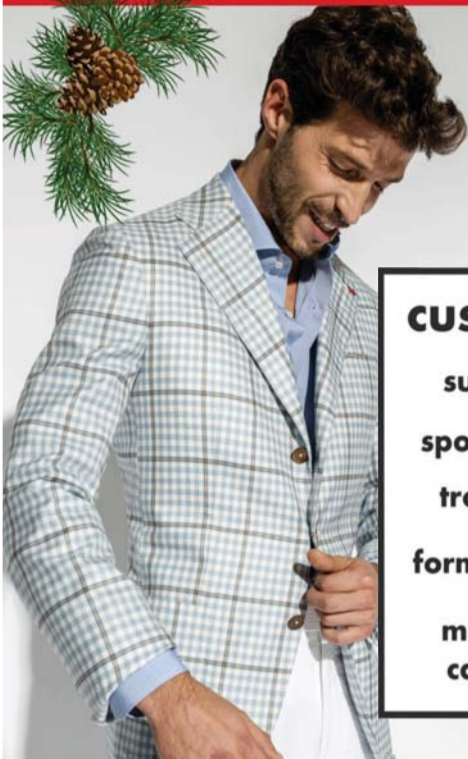
**‘Apply to all cities’**

And since small communities aren’t tackling those problems on their own, they need to be addressed at the state level, according to Laird. He acknowledged, however, that many of the housing bills that eliminate or drastically curtail the powers of the California Environmental Quality Act, the Coastal Act and local governments in order to facilitate high-density development were authored by legislators from places like San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego, “and yet they apply to all cities.”

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# Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

## He passed the test

Winston is a Norfolk terrier. Before adopting the 16-week-old puppy, his person had never heard of the breed, but she'd taken an online quiz to determine which type of dog would be best suited to her and Norfolk terrier topped the list.

"I did some research and fell in love," she said. "I decided right then and there that I needed a Norfolk terrier, and as soon as I saw Winston posted on the breeder's website — someone had adopted him, named him, and returned him — I flew to New Orleans to pick him up."

Winston doesn't look like a typical Norfolk terrier. Like a small percentage of his breed, instead of a soft, downy undercoat and wiry top coat, he has a long, silky coat, more like a Lhasa Apso.

"Winston is a little bigger than most Norfolk terriers, and he has the long, silky hair," his person said. "The breeder connected us to a Norfolk who lives in Seaside, and he, too, is a silky-haired pup."

Now nearly 8 years old, Winston, whose family moved to Carmel in 2018, lives just two blocks south of where the annual pumpkin roll comes to a crashing halt.

"This is the life for Winston," his person said. "He can be off leash on Carmel Beach, but he always wants to join people's picnics. He loves strolling uptown because he knows which shops have a little treat for him. A place with friendly people, dog treats, a big, long



beach, and plenty of chances to walk is heaven on Earth for him."

Actually, Winston's favorite place is the Cypress Inn, where he likes to hang out in the lounge, have a drink and listen to Debbie Davis sing.

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# P.G. to ban comments on Zoom, deletes meeting marred by racism

By KELLY NIX

THE CITY of Pacific Grove will prohibit people from making comments via Zoom following last week's city council meeting in which a group of callers made anti-Semitic and racist remarks. The city deleted the meeting from three online platforms this week but plans to put it back up, according to the mayor.

Several men sabotaged the Oct. 18 council meeting by using the N-word, a derogatory term for Mexican people, and numerous anti-Jewish comments, including "gas the Jews" and "Heil Hitler."

While a video of the entire council meeting had been accessible to the public on YouTube, AMP Media and Facebook, by Wednesday afternoon, the video was gone from the three platforms.

However, the episode, the second to occur this year at a P.G. council meeting, compelled Mayor Bill Peake to decide to prohibit people from making comments via Zoom.

### In person, email only

"Beginning at council's Nov. 1 meeting, the public may comment during the meeting in person or prior to the meeting via email," Peake told The Pine Cone Thursday. "No public comments will be received by Zoom."

The move will please some residents and council members because it will likely stop racist and sexually explicit content that has plagued several local city councils, not only Pacific Grove's.

The ban could also prevent a handful of P.G. residents who use Zoom from disparaging — sometimes by name — other citizens they don't agree with.

While it's likely that calls via Zoom will soon be prohibited at other city meetings,

the mayor didn't confirm it.

The video of last week's meeting was still accessible on AMP Media early Wednesday but had been edited so that the audio was muted during most of the offensive parts, although closed captions still displayed some of the derogatory language. By Wednesday night, though, the video had been removed. In its place was an error message with a "sorry" note.

### Deleted

But the video was back on AMP Media's website Thursday morning uncensored. Peake said there were plans to put it back on the other platforms, too.

"My understanding is the video will be available via YouTube and city websites, possibly as soon as today," Peake told The Pine Cone.

The racist and anti-Semitic language at the meeting occurred before a council discussion on the city's plan to comply with state housing mandates. When the callers first started using racist language, there was a push-pull by Peake and city attorney Brian Pierik on how to contend with them.

Peake warned the callers to not use the language but ended up cutting many of them off once they did. One P.G. resident, Mari Adams, thanked Peake for doing so.

The speakers were part of a coordinated effort to disrupt the meeting and were probably not local. At least two people called more than once, each using different bogus names and changing the tone of their voice to sound like a different person.

A similar episode with multiple callers using racist language occurred Sept. 19 at the Monterey City Council meeting. Monterey Mayor Tyller Williamson said at the time that they were part of an organized group that does the same things at public meetings "across the country."



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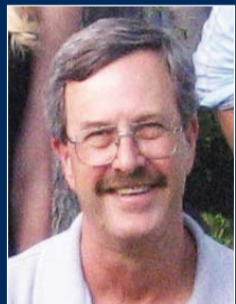
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## Police & Sheriff's Log

### Unplanned sleepover with a bat

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.

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

**Big Sur:** Deceased subject was located under Rocky Creek Bridge.

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Burglary from a locked vehicle at Monte Verde and Ocean.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A male was arrested at Mission and Sixth at 0717 hours for possession of meth.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vehicle burglary at Dolores and Fourth. Items found and returned to owner.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Hit-and-run on Lincoln north of Ocean with no suspects.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Theft of a bottle of wine from Dolores and Seventh. The wine was located and returned to the owner. Information report.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Medical emergency

on San Carlos north of Eighth. Subject fell on the sidewalk and was transported to the hospital.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vehicle towed from Junipero and Fifth for blocking a driveway.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Fall on city property on Junipero. Subject transported to CHOMP.

**Carmel area:** Subject on Via Cratolo was reported by concerned neighbors as a suspicious person. A welfare check was made on the subject, and he was advised not to return to the house.

**Pacific Grove:** Juvenile issue at a local elementary school on Congress. Information only.

**Pacific Grove:** Officers stopped a car at Pine and Chestnut for various traffic violations. The 21-year-old male driver was arrested for driving under the influence.

**Carmel area:** Victim on Rio Road reported a subject disturbed his peace.

**Pebble Beach:** Subject at a residence on Crest Road was placed on a hold for psychiatric evaluation.

See **POLICE LOG** page 6RE  
in the Real Estate Section



## The gavel falls

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

**Sept. 15** — Judge Pamela L. Butler sentenced Jose Jimenez Gomez, 52 and a resident of San Jose, to 10 years and four months in state prison for committing two counts of forcible penetration with a foreign object on a minor and one count of felony child abuse. These convictions constitute two strikes pursuant to California's three strikes law. Gomez will have to register as a sexual offender for the remainder of his life.

Sometime in April 2006, Gomez woke up Jane Doe at their residence in San Jose. Doe was a minor over the age of 14 who was in Gomez's care and custody at that time. Gomez told Doe to put a coat on, being careful not to wake anyone else in the residence. Gomez then drove Doe to Salinas near an empty commercial parking lot. Once Gomez parked his vehicle, he committed a sex act upon Doe against her will by use of duress. Afterward, Gomez drove Doe back to San Jose and committed a second sex act upon her. When Gomez was confronted days later, he fled the state and was not located and arrested for this case until January 2023.

This case was investigated by retired detective Jacky Bohn who was formerly with

the Salinas Police Department. Despite the delay in prosecution caused by Gomez's flight from justice, this prosecution was made possible by the continued diligent efforts of Bohn and DA investigator Jose Lopez. The victim in this case was assisted by former victim advocate Yanine Velasquez and witness assistance program manager Alma Sanchez.

**Sept. 15** — Judge Pamela L. Butler sentenced Keo Van Do, 62 and a resident of Marina, to 75 years to life in state prison for committing multiple sex acts against two children, both under the age of 10. On March 30, 2023, a jury found Do guilty of four allegations of committing sex acts on a young child under age 10, including allegations that Do used force. The jury also found Do guilty of committing a lewd act upon a second victim, another young child under age 10.

On Sept. 30, 2020, Seaside Police Officer Isaiah Malodora responded to a residence within city limits. A very distraught family reported that Do was caught in the act of touching a young child under 10 years of age

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# MONTEREY DOC GIVES UP LICENSE

By KELLY NIX

A MONTEREY psychiatrist who was publicly reprimanded by the state medical board five years ago for mismanaging a Seaside woman’s shock therapy treatments agreed to surrender his medical license after the California Attorney General accused him of gross negligence related to the treatment of another female patient.

In an agreement with the state Attorney General’s Office and the Medical Board of California, former Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula Dr. Eric Jacobson in January relinquished his medical license related to his prescription of medication for a woman suffering from severe anxiety and depression.

Jacobson “shall lose all rights and privileges as a physician and surgeon in California as of the effective date of the board’s decision and order,” according to the agreement Jacobson and the attorney general’s office signed.

The attorney general found Jacobson was negligent in his treatment of the patient in her 50s, including his long-term prescription of benzodiazepine clonazepam, or Klonopin. The woman was also taking opiates at the time and had a history of alcohol and substance abuse.

The AG’s office concluded Jacobson failed to recognize the unidentified woman’s family’s reports of her “excessive sedation” while she was using the drug; continued long-term prescriptions of the medicine when she admitted to taking more pills than prescribed; failed to adequately diagnose and investigate the patient’s history of alcohol and substance abuse; and failed to “maintain adequate and accurate records.” Jacobson treated the woman from 2013 to 2019.

### ‘Excessive’ treatment

In a separate matter in 2018, Jacobson was publicly reprimanded by the state medical board related to a series of shock therapy treatment — formally called electroconvulsive therapy, or ECT — that he prescribed for his former patient, Diane Scurrah of Seaside. Scurrah received more than two dozen ECT sessions at CHOMP for bipolar disorder.

She “received an unusually large number of ECT treatments,” in about nine months, for a total of 58, including 29 at CHOMP. Anything more than 15 ECT treatments in 30 days or 30 treatments in a year is considered excessive, according to

See LICENSE page 25A

# Oakland man admits stealing bike

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

A WEEK before his jury trial was set to begin, Oakland resident Lavonn Beal pleaded guilty to grand theft by false pretenses of a \$3,500 e-bike from the Mad Dogs & Englishmen store in Monterey, according to Monterey County Superior Court records.

Beal was charged with the felony last December, pleaded not-guilty in January and was allowed to stay out of jail on

his own recognizance over the course of several more hearings in February, April, June, July and August.

He was set to face a jury Oct. 23, but in court last Wednesday morning, Beal ended up pleading guilty and waiving his right to a jury trial. He is no longer allowed to possess firearms and is expected to make restitution to the victims.

Sentencing is set for Nov. 17 in Monterey County Superior Court Judge Stephanie Hulsey’s courtroom in Salinas.

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# Temporary housing for homeless women, families opens in Monterey

By CHRIS COUNTS

**OFFERING BEDS** for 16 homeless single women and four families in need, the \$8 million Shuman HeartHouse at 600 E. Franklin St. in Monterey celebrates its grand opening with an open house and ribbon-cutting ceremony Nov. 4 at 2 p.m. Three days later, its residents move in.

Owned and operated by Community Human Services, the new facility is mod-

and Blue Water Construction, with architect Christopher Barlow designing the redevelopment plan.

**'It's a big deal'**

For the folks involved in creating the housing, the news that the facility is opening is cause for celebration.

"We are so excited to get these women and families in here," Evangelina Ochoa of Community Human Services told The Pine Cone. "It's a big deal, and it's been a long time coming."

Shuman is also thrilled to see the facility open, something he and his wife, Adriana, have long dreamed about.

"It has always been our vision to have a shelter in Monterey, where there is so much need but so many constraints due to lack of water and appropriate building sites," he said. "For years, I tried to find a building in Monterey. In 2020, I finally came across this perfect property on Franklin Street."

Besides establishing temporary housing for the

homeless in Seaside and Monterey, Community Human Services operates a street outreach program in Salinas for young people and is working toward establishing a drop-in center to support that effort.

The facility will operate as a 90-day emergency shelter and, according to Ochoa, there is a wait list that includes 67 single women and 145 families. There are an estimated 2,400 homeless people

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A housing facility for homeless single women and families opens this week in Monterey with a reception Saturday.

eled after another the group runs, Casa de Noche Buena, at 1292 Olympia Ave. in Seaside.

The site for Shuman HeartHouse was purchased for \$3 million in June 2021, thanks to a donation from philanthropist Mark Shuman. Built in 1930, the 6,300-square-foot building was once home to the Union Ice Factory, and more recently, an Arthur Murray Dance Studio. The work to renovate the site was done by contractors Jacob Construction and Design

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Montage Medical Group doctors: (from left) David Kurtmen, MD, Brooke Todd, MD, Marja-Liisa Magnuson, DO, Stephen Owens, MD

# Four new Montage Medical Group doctors are using their friendship to enhance their care

**D**R. DAVID KURTMEN, A FAMILY PRACTICE DOCTOR WITH MONTAGE MEDICAL GROUP, grew up sailing and fishing on Monterey Bay. He was born in Santa Cruz, moved to Marina when he was 12 years old, and later moved to the Monterey Peninsula where he attended Robert Luis Stevenson school.

After going to school to become a doctor, Kurtmen came back to Monterey to care for the communities where he was raised, and he is joined by three more Montage Medical Group family practice doctors who he met along the way: his wife, Dr. Brooke Todd, and Drs. Stephen Owens and Marja-Liisa Magnuson, who married as the result of a residency romance.

Kurtmen and Todd fell in love during medical school and were lucky to be placed in the same residency. That is where they met Owens and Magnuson, with whom they formed a tight bond under the pressure of studying medicine.

Owens was a year ahead of the other three and met Magnuson when he was her senior resident for their inpatient night service. Their love sprouted from a shared passion for the outdoors.

The four aspiring doctors had weekly pizza nights and study sessions, which helped maintain their mental health on the stressful path to becoming doctors. After residency, Kurtmen and Todd moved to Monterey because they wanted to care for the communities where Kurtmen grew up, and Owens and Magnuson quickly followed suit.

“David and Brooke had glowing reviews of Montage Health,” Owens says. “We met with Montage Medical Group leadership, and after one visit we knew this was the place for us.”

The doctors still see each other often. “We have Wednesday night dinners and get together on weekends,” Todd says. “Our healthy social lives ultimately make us better professionals.”

*“We’re living here with purpose, because Monterey County communities are particularly affected by a lack of access to care. Contributing to that solution is meaningful to us.”*

— Dr. Marja-Liisa Magnuson



“We’re living here with purpose,” Magnuson says, “because Monterey County communities are particularly affected by a lack of access to care. Contributing to that solution is meaningful to us.” Magnuson, an avid runner with fellowship training in sports medicine, says she is also excited to incorporate more sports medicine into her daily practice. As a local, Kurtmen had his finger on the pulse of Monterey County communities since he was a child. Now, he has returned to his roots to provide personalized care to Monterey County patients. “I had my fifth birthday at Monterey Bay Aquarium,” Kurtmen says, “and now I do dive physicals for their divers through Montage Medical Group’s partnership with them.”

Kurtmen and Todd just celebrated the birth of their second child, delivered at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula’s Family Birth Center. “Settling into the area, growing our family, and establishing our practices are a lot to do at once,” Kurtmen says. “Having that support network with Marja and Steve, who can relate to what we’re going through, is a big help.”

“Collaboration with David, Brooke, Stephen, and myself enhances the care we provide,” Magnuson says, “because we stay connected and come to each other with tough cases, tapping into each other’s knowledge.” And ultimately, patients benefit from that connection.

All four doctors are accepting new patients. Visit [montagemedicalgroup.org](https://montagemedicalgroup.org) or scan the QR code.



## RELEASE OF DRAFT RFP SCOPE OF WORK (SOW) FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The current agreement for Ambulance Services between the County of Monterey and American Medical Response is set to expire June 30, 2025. The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency is developing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for ambulance service for the County of Monterey Exclusive Operating Area (EOA) to begin on July 1, 2025.

The EMS Agency is seeking feedback from members of the community, city and county officials, and the EMS system as a whole on the Draft RFP Scope of Work (SOW).

The draft of the RFP SOW and a form to submit feedback are available via the EMS Agency's website at [www.mocoems.org](http://www.mocoems.org).

Public meetings are being held to provide additional opportunities to hear from our community. One of these meetings will take place on Wednesday November 8, 2023 from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM at 1441 Schilling Place, Salinas. **Public comments closes on Friday, November 17, 2023.**

The EMS Agency looks forward to hearing from you.



## Hofsas House project warmly received

By MARY SCHLEY

NEIGHBORS AND other residents at a community meeting last Wednesday evening offered praise rather than criticism for plans to demolish the aging Hofsas House on San Carlos Street and replace it with a craftsman-inspired upscale hotel designed by architect Eric Miller. Hosted by inn owner Carrie Theis, the Oct. 18 meeting was the second effort to acquaint



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"Not everyone likes pink," Hofsas House owner Carrie Theis observed at a community meeting last week. She and her family hope to replace their aging inn with a craftsman-inspired design.

people with the proposal, which has yet to undergo any public hearings.

Theis explained some of the background of the 76-year-old hotel, which was started by her grandmother. "As young as 8 years old, I was taking guests to the rooms," she recalled. "I knew at some point I would come and continue her legacy, and I have been since 2000."

### Next 75 years

She and her husband, Kevan Urquhart, live in the mid-century modern home her grandmother also built on the property, which is accessible from Dolores, too. That home would be renovated and preserved, according to the proposal.

"We have welcomed travelers here for over 70 years. We take a lot of pride in that," she continued. "But we look around and see the traveler is changing," as are many of the codes and rules governing ADA access, slope, stairs and other aspects. "How are we going to carry on the family tradition for the next 75 years?"

Initially, she and Miller looked at remodeling, but soon concluded a full demolition and rebuild was the only feasible option. Miller's drawings feature lower, more contemporary buildings inspired by craftsman style and built principally of stone, wood and glass.

"It will have all two-story buildings," he said, compared with the existing four-story structure, and he provided renderings showing the differences in the hotels' profiles.

"We're really bringing it down quite a bit," he said.

Several neighbors near the hotel on San Carlos Street supported the proposal but worried about construction impacts. Miller

said he would file a full construction management plan with the city.

"We'll be a good neighbor," he promised, adding that he estimates the project will take two years to build after it gets through the city's planning process and construction documents are completed.

"I've always thought the Hofsas House was kind of an eyesore," commented neighbor Jon Levy, prompting chuckles from the audience.

"Not everybody likes pink," Theis acknowledged.

"I'm just praising the lord," Levy said. "I think it's going to be gorgeous."

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# World War II veteran reaches 100

By ELAINE HESSER

DEL MESA Carmel Resident Roland Martin turns 100 on Oct. 29, but when you hear his story, you realize he was lucky to make it to 20. Just a week before his birthday in 1943, he boarded his B-17 bomber, dubbed The Iron Maiden, and sat down in the pilot's seat for his 10th mission.

Martin told the Army Air Corps during training that unlike his peers, who wanted to fly fighter planes into dogfights, he

wanted to fly a bomber. His reasoning? He wanted to be a commercial pilot after the war and thought experience as a bomber pilot seemed more relevant.

With a crew of nine men aboard, Martin took off from England for Germany, where he and his fellow bombers had been targeting industrial facilities. He'd seen other planes shot down and had adopted a fatalistic attitude — if it was his time, he

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# Salinas hospital CEO says he'll leave

By KELLY NIX

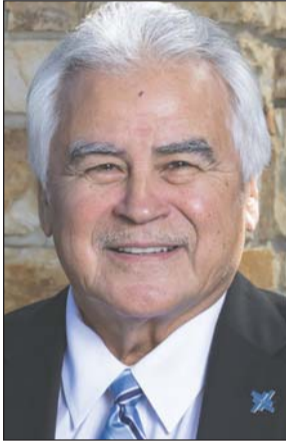
THE CEO of Salinas Valley Health Monday announced Oct. 10 he would be resigning from the position he's held for a decade.

Pete Delgado informed Salinas Valley Health's roughly 2,400 employees that his decision to step down was made after "careful consideration."

He did not say why he is leaving, but his last day will be June 20, 2024.

"Reflecting on our accomplishments to date fills me with immense pride," Delgado's message said. "Together, we have achieved remarkable milestones that have significantly impacted the health and well-being of our community."

Delgado expressed "heartfelt appreciation for the trust, support and collaboration" during his tenure as president and CEO, said working there has been a "profound honor and privilege," and praised hospital workers for their "tireless efforts" in delivering exceptional care to our



Pete Delgado

community.

Victor Rey, President of the Salinas Valley Health board of directors, credited Delgado for addressing the county's "underserved populations" and expanding "access to quality primary and specialty care service for all individuals."

### 'Excellence'

"Salinas Valley Health has greatly benefited from the 10 years of leadership and dedicated service Pete has provided the organization, our staff, patients and community," Rey explained.

Rey also said the hospital's board would work to find someone to replace Delgado.

Delgado told his staff that he feels that the hospital will be in good hands once he resigns.

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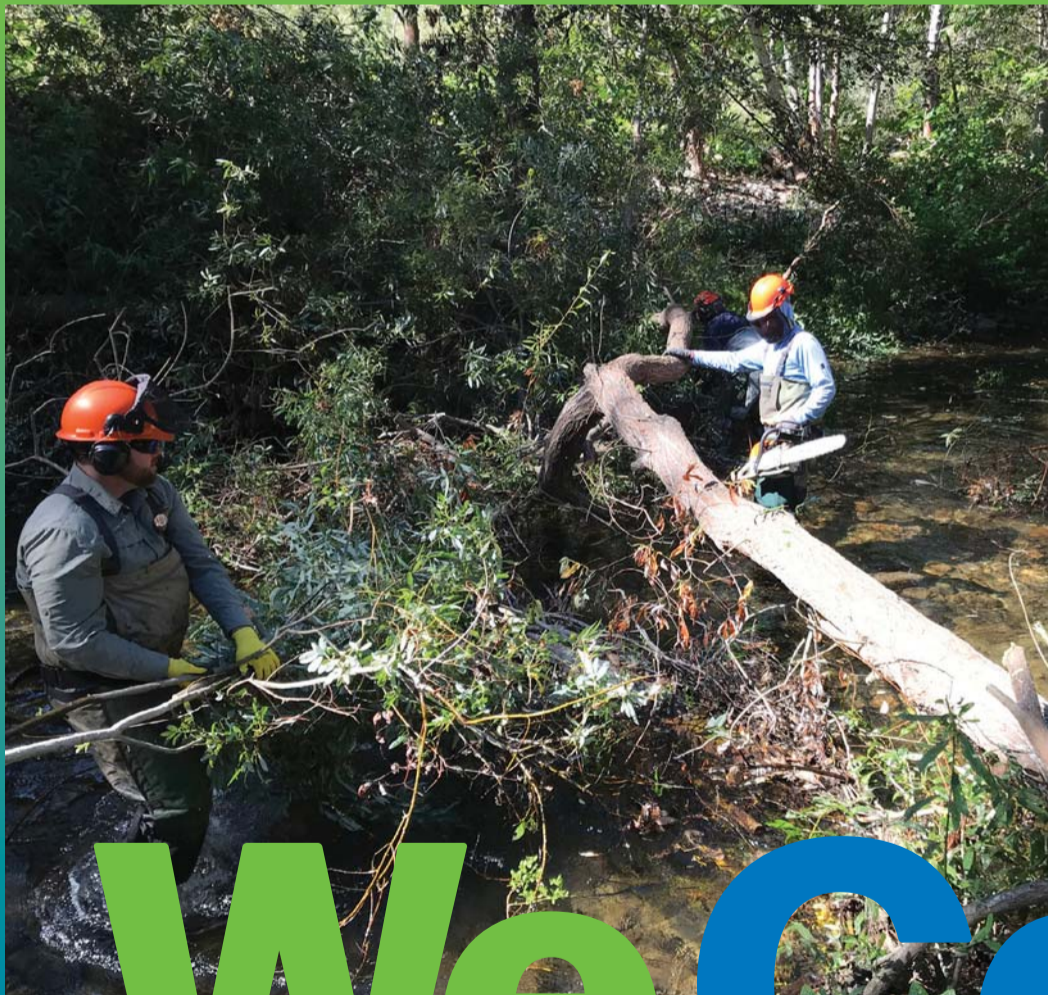
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# Design approved for entrance to subdivision at September Ranch

By CHRIS COUNTS

TO ASSURE the future One Carmel subdivision — formerly known as September Ranch — will make a good first impression on its neighbors and the thousands of

people who will one day drive by it along Carmel Valley Road, the Monterey County Planning Commission took a close look at a design plan for its entrance before unanimously approving it Wednesday.

The subdivision was first proposed more than three

decades ago, and it was approved three times by the county board of supervisors against considerable opposition. Its plans call for building 73 market-rate and 22 affordable homes on 891 acres, along with dedicating 243 acres of open space.

According to a design OK'd this week, the entrance to the subdivision will include a 75-square-foot sign, a 400-square-foot guard kiosk with entry gate, 3,200 linear feet of stone and wood fencing, and 340 linear feet of retaining walls, exterior lighting and landscaping. The entrance will be on the north side of Carmel Valley Road just east of the equestrian center and its horses, which have long provided a scenic backdrop for those driving along the road. Despite the new development, the center will be preserved.

The request by the applicant, Carmel Reserve LLC, to approve the design for the entrance came before the planning commission Sept. 13, but the hearing was continued to this week after commissioners requested flagging and staking of the site, and more details about how the design would meet the viewshed requirements of the Carmel Valley Master Plan.

### Builder gets praise

After county planner Mary Israel made a presentation about how drainage would work at the entrance, attorney Anthony Lombardo told commissioners the applicant solicited feedback from locals before finalizing the plan.

"The applicant worked very hard with the local community and the Carmel Valley Association," said the attorney, who also noted the Carmel Valley Land Use Advisory Committee unanimously endorsed the plan, which he described as "no small feat."

Also chiming in was C.S. Noel, the president of the CVA, who said the project's design team was "generous with their time" and did "a great job of resolving concerns."

Planning commissioner Martha Diehl called Wednesday's gathering "the least contentious September Ranch hearing I've ever attended" and said she believed "this is an elegant solution to a difficult problem."

Planning commissioner Kate Daniels made the motion to approve the plan, which Diehl seconded.

Also Wednesday, the planning commission unanimously approved a plan to construct an 1,840-square-foot single-family home at 4019 Sunridge Road in Pebble Beach. But they continued a hearing on a proposal to build a 3,648-square-foot residence at 24726 Dolores St., which would require building on a slope of greater than 30 percent. Diehl and Daniels expressed concerns about the size of the home and the limitations of the lot. Diehl suggested that approving the project could set a "harmful" precedent.

"I believe strongly that the lot should define the house," she said. "The rationale here is backward."

## Crews begin clearing site for P.G. hotel

By KELLY NIX

CONSTRUCTION CREWS this week started demolishing an 18,000-square-foot building that housed a Mexican restaurant, animal adoption center and other businesses to make way for a 100-plus room hotel.

A small team with Stockton-based RB Environmental began tearing apart the building at 157 Grand Ave. in Pacific Grove, attacking it with a Hyundai excavator Wednesday afternoon. To minimize the immense amount of dust inherent with demolition, one worker intermittently sprayed the building with water as the machinery did its work.

The excavator driver used the hydraulic arm and bucket not only to crash down onto the building, but to surgically remove electrical wires, concrete, sheet metal and wood and put them into separate piles so crews could eventually haul them away.


A group of about a dozen onlookers watched the tear-down as a foreman gladly explained to them what was going on. By noon Thursday afternoon, a good portion of the west side of the building had been demolished.

### 'True gem'

While the remaining businesses in the structure vacated it in late 2022, about a year ago, a repurpose of the run-down building has long been sought. In its place will be the Kimpton Hotel by IHG Hotels & Resorts, which, according to plans submitted to the city, will have a 3,615-square-foot restaurant, 849-square-foot spa, 798-square-foot gym and a 12,677-square-foot parking area.

"The Kimpton Hotel, part of IHG Hotels & Resorts' Luxury & Lifestyle Collection, will be a true gem in Pacific Grove," according to Modesto-based Huff Construction Company, which says its crews will be building the hotel. "With 95,263 square feet spread across four stories, it will offer 101 guest rooms, including six suites, and redefine luxury hospitality in the region."

The Pacific Grove City Council OK'd a hotel for the property in 2018, and construction was supposed to start almost a year ago. A hotel on the site was originally proposed by local developer Nader Agha before he sold the property. Groundbreaking for the Kimpton hotel was in September.




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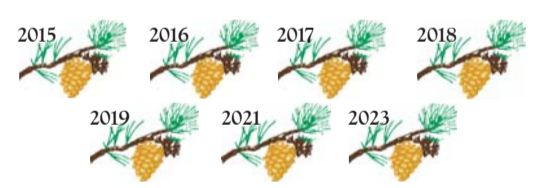
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# ISRAEL

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on both sides, Lopez said he couldn't support Askew's proposal.

"I won't be able to support the motion today, largely because appeasement led to what we experienced during World War II" against millions of Jewish people, Lopez said, to some boos from audience members. "Without calling out Hamas and their terrorist actions, we are burying our head in the sand."

Askew also asked the board to "support peace throughout our world" and apologized to those in the room for the "harm" that she said the supervisors "caused" them by proposing the resolution.

Askew, Adams and Church seemed to be swayed more by pro-Palestine sentiment than the language within the revised proposal, which they did not discuss Tuesday, even after saying last week that it needed to be changed before they could support it.

Adams, who seconded Askew's motion, said the board should "stand for peace."

"Everyone who has spoken has been impacted by decades of tyranny, war, hatred and atrocities beyond everything I can imagine," she said.

A large body of evidence, including videos taken during the killings, eyewitness testimony and a collection of ghastly

human remains show that at least 1,000 Israeli civilians were killed during the Hamas massacre, while Palestinians claim Israeli airstrikes in response to the slaughter have caused at least 5,000 fatalities in Gaza. Hamas is still holding more than 200 Israeli hostages, including elderly people and children.

### Calls for peace

Church, who represents North Monterey County, began his comments by saying the role of the board of supervisors is to "take care of the welfare of the people of Monterey County," before indicating he didn't believe the board should weigh in on the Israel-Palestine conflict.

Reading a portion of the resolution, Alejo said that if the board couldn't call for "just and lasting peace for Israelis and Palestinians alike," it would fail to demonstrate "a basic level of leadership" considering the attack caused a "massive loss of innocent lives."

While Alejo said the revised version was missing some of the language he was hoping for, he was willing to vote for it.

"It's not everything I wanted, but if it can send a message that we denounce the terrorism of Hamas, if it could at least call for a release of all hostages," he said, with two people in the chambers yelling in response. "If it could at least call for denouncing anti-Semitism and anti-Islamophobia, then I'm for it."

"Do you know what Islamophobia means?" yelled an angry woman who went toward the dais to interrupt Alejo.

Among the things omitted in the revised version were some detail of Hamas' attack, a paragraph calling Israel a major strategic partner and ally of the United States, and it nixed Alejo's idea of putting up an Israeli flag in the supervisors chambers that was there last week but was gone Tuesday.

### Outnumbered

Those who supported the document were wildly outnumbered by pro-Palestine supporters who opposed it.

Charlotte Salomon, the child of Holocaust survivors, was one of them. She was critical of the revised version and the supervisors.

"This board has now turned this resolution into a series of platitudes along the lines of 'war is hell,'" Salomon said. "And while that is obviously true, your inability to issue a clear statement condemning terror and its known perpetrators is ethically and morally unsupportable, and you have demonstrated a profound lack of moral

courage."

Many pro-Palestine and anti-Israel speakers seemed to blame Israel for Hamas' attack, calling the Jewish country an "Apartheid state," "terrorists" and "colonizers."

One woman said "a support of Israel is a support of terrorism."

David Norman, who criticized both versions of the resolution, claimed local "Jewish and Islamic communities" had discussed the versions "and agreed they're both unacceptable."

"We are in agreement that Monterey County should just stay out of this conflict," Norman said.

Eloise Shim criticized the document for not referring to Israel as a "terrorist state," and mentioning its "terrorist activity" for "more than 75 years."

A third revised version of the resolution provided by Askew omitted all references to Hamas, which the United States has designated a terrorist group.

Noticeably absent at Tuesday's meeting were Monterey County Jewish leaders, none of whom spoke on the topic.

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# HOUSING

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“My experience as a small-town council member is cities don’t build housing,” observed Addis, especially when redevelopment funds aren’t available.

She and Laird raised the issue of Sacramento’s one-size-fits-all political mentality. Addis said she did not support SB 423, which in part streamlines the process for development but doesn’t require affordable housing in complexes with nine or fewer units.

“It was very important that if the state was going to allow any streamlining and local governments give up control, we get something back for that,” she said.

### Why not?

While state environmental and coastal laws have strangled development along the coast and exacerbated the housing shortage, Addis said eliminating them could have parts of California looking like Malibu.

State bills allowing widespread “by right” development are not the answer, according to Laird, but “if you let cities and counties decide, and we are 3 million short and not much is being built, that is not going to deal with the political forces in Sacramento that are guiding some of this.”

Addis also acknowledged that building in coastal areas is problematic because of environmental factors, flood and fire risks, and other issues.

Miller asked why large, developable, open areas in the former Fort Ord aren’t used for housing instead of cities like Carmel and communities like Carmel Valley, where water is short, fire hazards are high, property is expensive, and space is scarce.

“Why not sponsor a law that says the housing mandate for Carmel is lifted and being transferred to Fort Ord?” Miller asked.

Neither answered that call, but Laird said he holds the “controversial point of view” that the state’s regional housing needs allocations — which resulted in the mandate that Carmel-by-the-Sea determine how to accommodate 349 new units within its 1 square mile — don’t work in smaller communities.

### Not realistic

“The regional housing needs system is not going to work over time, because I think the cities and counties have been assigned more housing units than what’s realistic,” he said. In his district, which contains 21 cities, only two — Morgan Hill and Gilroy — have come close to adding enough housing.

The Peninsula’s perpetual water shortage also hampers development, and Miller asked what could be done about it. Laird responded that “everyone has to give up a little and make sure there’s a sustainable water supply for the whole county.”

“Right now, everybody wants to do what they want to do,” he said, adding that he would support a small desalination plant to provide water for Marina.

“To me, water means putting everything on the table,” Addis said, calling for state and federal funding to help communities resolve their water-supply problems so they can build more residences.

She advocated for the same collaboration to deal with housing issues and finding ways for future generations to “build wealth.”

“It’s the responsibility for all of us in this room to think about, where are our kids and our grandkids going to live?” she said. “We can’t stay stuck in this us-vs.-them, state-vs.-local, me-vs.-you mentality.”



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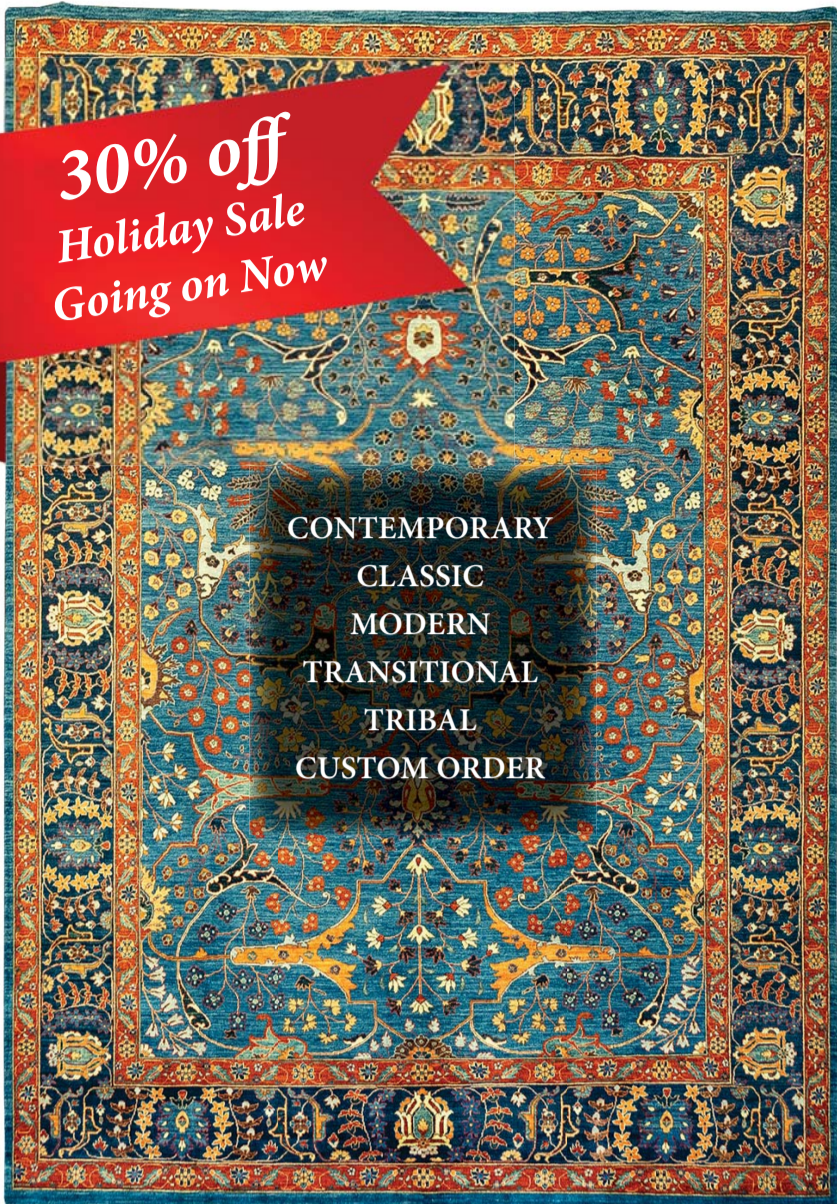
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By MARY SCHLEY

**H**ALLOWEEN ON the Monterey Peninsula is sort of like Car Week, but for people who enjoy celebrating the darker side of life. What used to be the last day in October now spans several days and includes all kinds of parties and activities, from horror films and dog costume contests, to parades and fun with pumpkins.

For example, Saturday, Oct. 28, is packed with so many options, it might be difficult to decide what to do.

If you're a fan of smashing pumpkins, get in touch with your inner kid — or at least take your kids — and roll pumpkins down Ocean Avenue between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. in honor of one of Carmel's long-standing traditions. It's a lot of work for city staff to host this event every year, but it's too popular for them to abandon.

Just a few blocks away at the Forest Theater from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., nonprofit Max's Helping Paws will host its 4th Annual Howloween dog costume contest. It's free to attend but raises funds for critical care for pets in need by charging those who wish to enter their dogs in the contest and have them photographed. Expect a red-carpet runway, dog-loving judges, and plenty of seating. Award categories include Scariest Costume, Most Adorable, Most Creative and Best Handmade. Fees run \$20 to \$40 in advance, and walk-ins will pay \$25 to \$50. Visit [maxshelpingpaws.org](http://maxshelpingpaws.org).

That night from 7 to 10 p.m., American Legion Post 512 on Dolores south of Eighth will host a Halloween party and costume contest that's open to all, according to auxiliary committee member Sharon Runde. The Legion is run by volunteers, including the bartenders, musicians and chefs, so donations are requested for the live music (\$20) and dinner (\$10).

On Halloween proper, the city will celebrate its 107th birthday with the traditional costume parade down Ocean Avenue at 4 p.m. Walkers, kids, pets, community

groups, public officials and other mischief-makers are welcome, though groups and those who want to drive rather than walk should register at [ci.carmel.ca.us/post/spooky-season-almost-here](http://ci.carmel.ca.us/post/spooky-season-almost-here).

The parade will stage at Mission and Sixth and then head south on Junipero Street before turning onto Ocean. Afterward, trick-or-treating will be available in the park, and organizers hope businesses will decorate and hand out candy, too.

#### And beyond

In Monterey from 4 to 7 p.m., everyone is encouraged to don their favorite costumes to compete in a contest with cash prizes, trick-or-treat, and pick up sweets from local merchants at Fisherman's Wharf. Stores will have photo ops with witches and other creatures of the night. Find more information at [montereywharf.com](http://montereywharf.com) or call (831) 238-0777.

Those fond of classic scary movies will be happy to know the Stanton Center is hosting "Fright Fest Monterey: a Classic Horror Film Festival," through Oct. 29.

"Fright Fest Monterey offers a unique opportunity to relive the thrills and chills of some of the greatest horror films ever made while immersing yourself in the spooky spirit of Halloween," organizers said. For information and tickets, go to [stantoncenter.org/frightfest](http://stantoncenter.org/frightfest) or call (831) 372-2608.

The undead and fitness come together in Pebble Beach during the annual Zombie Run Oct. 28 from 9 a.m. to noon, when costumed adults and kids can take on the challenging 5K Zombie Crawl along fire roads or the shorter, flatter, 2K Survivor Stroll. Costumed volunteers lurk throughout, and participants are encouraged to do their best impressions of the undead, too — but not to be so gory as to scare the little kids. Prizes, free food and disaster prep goodies will be handed out after the race. Register at [pbcsd.org/eighth\\_annual\\_zombie\\_run\\_emergency\\_preparedness\\_fair](http://pbcsd.org/eighth_annual_zombie_run_emergency_preparedness_fair).

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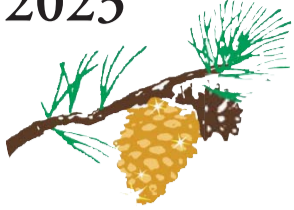
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## Jewelry couple dies six months apart

By MARY SCHLEY

HIGH SCHOOL sweethearts who went on to marry, work together, share an outsized enthusiasm for holidays and touch many lives, Jason and Marijane Johnson died within six months of each other, both from cancer. Jason went first on April 14 at the age of 67, and Marijane, 64, followed on Oct. 6. The couple owned Le Bijou Fine Jewelry on Dolores Street, where their pristine vintage Nash Metropolitan was often seen parked out front, and she was frequently spotted carrying a diminutive dog or two in her purse.

"Marijane was a sweet, bright, feisty, creative, knew-what-she-wanted-in-life girl," said Jennifer Tanous, who'd known Marijane as a 17-year-old at Carmel High and remained a close friend. "We've spent our Thanksgivings and Christmases together, and Easters and if they weren't on a cruise. They had friends from all over the world, but they were always part of our family."

"They lived together, worked together, socialized together and traveled together," friend Angela Matthews



Jason Johnson



Marijane Johnson

recalled. "Most people need a break, but they really loved and enjoyed being with each other."

"They lived life, and they liked sharing living life with whomever was nearby," observed another friend, Joe Headley. "It was infectious."

#### Found her calling

Marijane had discovered her penchant for jewelry making as a 13-year-old Carmel High School student, according to Tanous.

Decades later, Marijane shared an email she received from a happy recipient of one of her rings in January 2020, explaining that the feedback illustrated why she loved designing and making jewelry.

"Your craftsmanship and artistry speak to your love and passion for what you do. It truly was made for me, and I feel that specialness, almost a physical warmth, every time I put it on," the woman said of her ring. "So, thank you not just for your expertise in your field, but also for being so wonderfully in love with what you do that it spills out into your creations."

The couple spent a lot of time in their little shop near the post office, and many friends popped in to chat, according to Tanous. Like Marijane, Jason was talented with his hands, making and servicing watches, crafting furniture and tinkering with vintage cars. Both enjoyed giving back to the community.

"They were always donating and being part of

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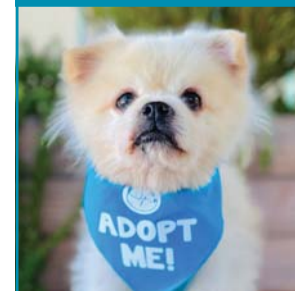
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fundraising, and there were many, many people Marijane and Jason were there for when they were ill and dying. That was a big part of their giving," Tanous said.

On Sundays, in a practice dating back to their teen years, the Johnsons would head to "church" — aka Big Sur — according to Matthews. Often, they would invite friends along.

"They would tell Marijane's mom they were going to church, and they would take off and go to Big Sur," she said. "They carried on that tradition for years, and we were lucky we were able to get on the caravan."

**Staying positive**

In early 2019, Jason was diagnosed with prostate cancer that had metastasized in his bones, and the couple kept it to themselves until it got too big to handle alone, according to Hunter Tanous, who set up a gofundme campaign for the couple later that year. He urged friends and strangers to help the Johnsons in their battle, which they did.

"Jason is as strong as an ox, Marijane has the heart and perseverance of a small country, and I hope that we can show them that the family they are a part of will be there to take care of them and to love and help in any way needed," he wrote.

Updates from Jason followed, showing his characteristic humor and optimism, and his refusal to focus on the negative.

In March 2021, following the cancer's spread to his ribs, Jason posted that his "incredible wingman," Marijane, was still growing organic food for him in their large home garden in Del Rey Oaks and researching natural remedies, and he thanked his friends for their support and kindness.

"It's been very humbling and a huge part of my healing and mental wellness. Smart doctors, a loving wife, nutrition, alternative treatments and faith are the key to beat the

alien within," he commented. "I'll keep fighting and posting only the good things — I won't let you down. Thank you, thank you, thank you from the bottom of my heart."

At the end of his life, Jason was at home, surrounded by friends who loved him and were bent on making him laugh, recalled Headley, who, along with his wife, Lisa, and two other couples, had gotten very close to the Johnsons during Covid, when the eight of them banded together to enjoy frequent, socially distant, safe get-togethers.

"After two years of hanging out every week, we got pretty close," Headley said. "We were making him laugh as he was making his exit."

**Together again**

Not long after, Marijane started feeling ill, and Matthews urged her to see a doctor, who subsequently referred her to a specialist who could see her Sept. 20.

"She went, but she had been declining so rapidly that they ended up admitting her. She was diagnosed with

cancer, and it had metastasized," Matthews said. "They tried chemo, but she had some other health issues, and she ended up passing on the 6th of October. It was awful and sad, but most of us are finding comfort she's with Jason, now."

"I had the great privilege of knowing both of them, and it is a big heart loss for me and for my children, and for many," Tanous said.

The Johnsons enthusiastically celebrated and decorated for holidays, with Jason playing Santa Claus at the Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club's Christmas parties for years. Given the couple's particular fondness for Valentine's Day, their friends are planning a memorial celebration for February.

Those interested in the details can email Matthews at angel\_matthews@sbcglobal.net. She is also helping to get the affairs of the shop in order and posted a notice in the window encouraging anyone with outstanding items or concerns to call (831) 224-4097.



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# TOMASI

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Ward, who became chief in June 2022 and was put on leave in January pending investigation into multiple complaints against him. While the city refused to reveal anything about the allegations, Ward departed just over a year after his arrival.

Watkins has been leading the department through Ward's absence, but when he announced he'd be retiring at the end of the year, Rerig asked Tomasi if he'd step in.

"He knows the community and knows the staff," Rerig said. "My things are leadership, retention, attraction and succession — getting officers ready for a command presence — and I'm really grateful, humbled, thankful and really excited he's coming back."

For Tomasi, the pull of his former

department and city in need was greater than staying in another job he has loved.

"I'm living a great life," said Tomasi, 55. "I love the aquarium — it's therapeutic to come to work every day. You're making people happy."

Nonetheless, given the damage caused by Ward's brief tenure, and Watkins' decision to retire, Tomasi said he didn't hesitate much.

"I have so much love for this city," he said. "And the department — I hate to see them suffering."

Tomasi said Wednesday that he'd spoken the previous day with a former long-time corporal who told him, "You're going back because of who you are."

"I want to say it's a tough decision to leave the aquarium, because I love what I'm doing and I make decent money," he said. "But there's a hole. Chip reached out, and as soon as he asked the question, it didn't take long."

Rerig said Tomasi will be an excellent mentor for officers who might rise through the ranks and become leaders, and he noted the chief's priorities will include hiring a commander and shepherding the long-planned and much-discussed remodel of the 55-year-old police station.

"He's the kind of guy who, the officers tell me, when they go in to talk to him, he clears his desk and they have his full attention," Rerig said.

### Open arms

Tomasi said he's already heard from people who are thrilled he's returning.

"When the announcement was made, I sent an email to the PD letting them know I'm looking forward to coming back," he said. While there have been several new hires since Tomasi left, many others worked there under him.

"I've had so many people in the city and the community reach out to welcome me back," he said. "It feels good."

He's also spoken with Watkins to get an update on issues and conditions in the department. Regarding the remodel, he wryly observed, "I know Carmel: Some things take longer than others."

Tomasi takes no umbrage at the frequently slow pace of progress, though.

"People are passionate about the city, and everybody wants it to be perfect — they want it to be done right," he said. "You have to admire that." Conversely, when

community members are disinterested, the results can be, if nothing else, ugly.

Tomasi will start Dec. 1 and will spend the month working alongside Watkins before the latter leaves to help his wife run their busy childcare business, which has multiple locations. He said his first task will be to introduce himself to those who don't know him and reintroduce himself to those who do.

"I have to rebuild relationships and build that trust that's so important," he said. "I'll be meeting with the department members to see what's gone on with them over the past two years and how I can help direct them where they want to be."

Tomasi also said the leadership lessons he learned at the aquarium will be useful at CPD.

"We're ambassadors. We protect the community, but we also promote it," he said. "This higher level of service that the police provide — we can show what that looks like. I can bring what I've learned here from really great leaders."

The terms of Tomasi's contract have yet to be hammered out, according to Rerig.

Watkins, meanwhile, will retire with a pension representing a percentage of his base pay based on his number of years as a police officer. According to the pay schedule that took effect Jan. 1, the annual salary for the position of chief is \$179,135 to \$217,739, plus benefits and retirement contributions.

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While much of the cost of renovating the building was paid for with private donations, a \$2.5 million taxpayer appropriation was facilitated by Sen. John Laird, according to the group.

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# GAVEL

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in front of a second young child, who was also under 10 years of age. The second child also indicated that he was touched by Do earlier that day. Detectives took over the investigation and located Do, a fisherman by trade, 5 1/2 months later and he was taken into custody. During the jury trial, both children courageously testified about what Do had done to them.

This case was investigated by detective Gabriel Suarez of the Seaside Police Department. District attorney investigator Rachel Maldonado also assisted. The victims in this case were assisted by the DA’s victim witness program manager Alma Sanchez. One child was accompanied during testimony by Odie, a victims’ services dog with the district attorney’s office.

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# CHOMP

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harmed as a result.

Besides wrongful termination, the jury also found Montage liable for breach of contract and for violating a whistleblower law that prohibits employers from retaliating against employees who report violations of local, state or federal laws. Jurors awarded Stiver \$9,475,000 in damages, including \$5 million in punitive damages against Montage and \$4 million in lost wages.

### 'Thorn in side'

Upset with the verdict, attorneys with Montage Health and CHOMP asked a judge to overturn the decision, arguing among other things that the jury's verdict of whistleblower retaliation was "not supported by substantial

evidence."

Monterey County Judge Vanessa W. Vallarta heard arguments for both sides in September and issued her ruling against the hospital on Oct. 16.

The judge concluded that "clear and convincing evidence could support a finding of malice based on retaliatory discharge for whistleblowing activity by an employee who had become a thorn in the side of Montage."

CHOMP vice president Kevin Causey told The Pine Cone Wednesday that it's considering all options, including appealing Vallarta's ruling on the hospital's motions. Montage sought to distance itself from CHOMP during the September hearing, insisting that the hospital, not the parent company, hired Stiver.

"We believe that there were errors made in the trial that will be addressed on appeal, including the fact that Montage Health never employed Mr. Stiver and could not have been liable for any of the alleged conduct," Causey said. "We will continue to vigorously pursue all avenues

available to overturn what they consider to be an erroneous jury verdict."

CHOMP also requested a new trial, but Vallarta denied it. She offered Montage a new trial based on the question of whether the company was also Stiver's employer, but his attorney, Mark O'Connor, said it came with caveats.

"The court warned them that a new trial would expose Steven Packer to intense examination in his role as the joint president and CEO for both Montage and CHOMP, and that they faced the threat of even more damages being imposed against the company he leads," O'Connor told The Pine Cone.

Vallarta also found that the \$5 million in punitive damages the jury awarded Stiver was "not excessive."

Stiver, who started working at the hospital in 2007, was the director of cardiology services for its Tyler Heart Institute and interim assistant director of its cardiac catheterization laboratory.

Community Hospital let Stiver go in November 2021 for "abuse or inconsiderate treatment, harassment or bullying." But Vallarta noted in her ruling that the jury did not find the hospital's reasons for firing him credible.

"The jury did not believe [Community Hospital] had good cause to terminate Stiver, and this almost surely involved reasonable adverse credibility findings at trial," she said.

# VETERAN

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thought, it was his time. That day, he and his crew were gunned down by anti-aircraft flak, crash-landing in a field in Germany.

He and one of his crewmen evaded the Germans for two weeks before being captured and sent to a POW camp. More than seven months later and, Martin estimated, 60 to 75 pounds lighter because food was so scarce, he was liberated and eventually sent home.

"When I got home, people kept trying to feed me," he said. "The tables would always be full of food." He recovered and went on to a successful career with Sony, helping to introduce the iconic Walkman to the United States.

He said he thought that on Sunday, he would mark his 100th year with a few friends and some cake. Not too bad, when you think about it. Not bad at all.

To read more about Martin's life, go to [pineconearhive.fileburstdn.com/180223PCA.pdf](http://pineconearhive.fileburstdn.com/180223PCA.pdf) and scroll to page 25A, where he's featured in Great Lives.

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# BEACH

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Garbage, dog feces, rotting seaweed and stagnant pools of standing water have long annoyed beach goers, and cleanups of the entire beach — organized and impromptu — have taken place for years, regardless of state and federal laws.

The city’s proposed policy, which would cover the entire beach, says all “naturally occurring material,” including algae, driftwood, feathers, rocks, kelp and “cultural, archaeological and historical items” must be left in place, while all human-sourced (and dog-sourced) waste and hazardous materials must be thrown away or recycled.

Bilse recommended the city develop “a consistent policy for cleaning up Carmel Beach above and below the mean high-tide line,” since the depth of the sand constantly changes, and so do the tides.

### ‘Long-term consequences’

But members of Carmel Cares and others have pushed back at subjecting the city’s part of the beach to state and federal rules, particularly since some are already stinging from the housing mandates delivered by the state.

Resident Shirley Moon called for putting off adoption of the new policy, arguing that approving “the wrong guidelines will have long-term consequences,” and she said most of the government entities engaged in marine protection “agree the city can develop its own guidelines above the mean high-tide line using common sense.”

“Although it would be easy to adopt one-size-fits-all for the entire beach, it would be a mistake,” she said.

Commissioner Kelly Brezoczky said the “hard and fast rules” in the policy would keep people from caring for the beach the way they want to, and commissioner Brian Sours argued that driftwood should be taken off the beach at residents’ and volunteers’ discretion, not protected by any policy. The proposed rules would allow firefighters, police officers and public works staff to remove driftwood that’s deemed hazardous.

“I heard input from community members who are on that beach a lot that they would prefer reconsideration of some of the language, particularly with regards to above the mean high-tide line,” Brezoczky said. She also noted

that in Southern California, many beaches are kept meticulous above the mean high-tide line.

“But don’t we look to our environmental programs manager to be the expert in this?” countered chair JC Myers, since Bilse is the one who’s been in contact with regulators and has expertise on the subject.

“Driftwood is considered to be part of the ecosystem,” he said. “Except for things that are hazardous, shouldn’t we trust that a policy can be put in place by the person who’s responsible to lead that charge?”

### ‘I don’t care’

After considerable back and forth, with some commissioners talking over each other, Harary interjected.

“I don’t care where it is,” he said, referring to the mean high-tide line. “It doesn’t matter. We’re going to have one policy for all of the beach. Right now, we have zero policies for all of the beach.”

“Hopefully we have the support from the forest and

beach commission on this policy,” he continued. “If we don’t, we’re going to go to the city council with our recommendations for this policy.”

Harary went on to say that it’s clearly illegal to pick up driftwood and that California Department of Fish & Wildlife wardens can write citations and enforce the rules.

“We’ve alerted the fish and wildlife service that we are playing games with this beach,” he said.

“You could have saved us a whole lot of arguing,” pointed out commissioner Sarah Berling. Sours, who has a habit of interrupting, interjected to say he would raise his concerns about driftwood with the city council.

In the end, commissioners unanimously voted to support the beach cleanup policy — but to exclude its rules on removing driftwood, which should be subject to more study and discussion.

They also voted to again put off a decision on whether to install a sign at the foot of Ocean Avenue explaining the rules for marine protected areas.

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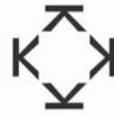
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# LETTERS

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If the state were serious about creating more opportunities for young people to buy homes to create wealth, it would eliminate the capital gains tax so older people can sell their homes without incurring an enormous tax bill.

After listening to your responses to the questions, I am committed more than ever to restoring local control of zoning and housing decisions and will be voting accordingly.

**Cristina Spano,**  
Monterey

## 'Urban interests'

Dear Editor,

What I learned from this week's Carmel Residents Association-sponsored housing meeting is that Sen. John Laird and Assemblywoman Dawn Addis are supporting the interests of the largest Democrat-run cities in the state.

They seem to believe that the small, lovely areas that we live in must be led into the future by the party of the crowded, urban, liberal cities. They believe that the urban problems are our problems, and we must cooperate with their wishes by overturning or local zoning authorities, and that since urban areas have low-cost housing shortages and diminished qualities of life, we must be forced to be more like them.

Instead of standing up for us, Addis and Laird have caved in.

The first thing Laird needs to do is organize senators to rescind these authoritarian housing mandates. If he refuses, then it's time we vote him out of office and bring

in some new representation. Inexperienced Addis, in her first term, needs to start off on the right foot before she learns too many bad political habits. Otherwise, votes for them are votes for continued big-city Democratic Party interests, not ours.

**Vincent Tuminello,**  
Pacific Grove

## 'Why can't supervisors grasp?'

Dear Editor,

In his recent address to the nation, President Joe Biden wisely urged restraint by Israel in its response to the horrendous attack by Hamas. And turning to the domestic situation, he succinctly added that "We must, without equivocation, denounce antisemitism. We must also, without equivocation, denounce Islamophobia." What could be clearer and more compelling?

Equally clear and compelling is the fact that while Hamas deserves punishment for its sickening attack, this must be done with due regard to the lives and human rights of the Palestinian civilians who live in Gaza but do not support Hamas.

Why can't the board of supervisors grasp these concepts and reflect them in its proposed resolution?

**Mads Bjerre,**  
Carmel

## Disappointed in supes

Dear Editor,

You used the word "civilize" in this week's editorial, entitled, "The programs." Civilized is exactly what Hamas is not. I am so very disappointed in the board of supervisors' vote not to support Israel in this most tragic situation. They are fighting for their lives against an inhumane gang of thugs.

If Ms. Askew lived next door to an Israeli, her mindset would be entirely different. We are not against the

Palestinian people. It is Hamas that has caused all the trouble.

**Rhoda Kaplan,**  
Menlo Park

## Unfair to Browns

Dear Editor,

Some of the negative comments from a couple of the residents at a recent planning commission meeting in regards to the proposed plans for a house at Guadalupe and Fourth really hit a nerve. Condemning the Browns for, as one woman said, "thinking they know and love Carmel because they have spent a few days here over the past several years" was so absurd and so out of line that I don't even know where to start.

The Browns have owned a home here for several years and spent a total of many years, not days, in our community. They have supported Carmel, Monterey County and the State of California by spending hundreds of thousands of dollars in property taxes, insurance, utilities, restaurant meals, groceries, etc.

And the snide remark about building a larger home in Texas. Has she driven down 17 Mile Drive lately? The people from other states who have their primary or a vacation home here should be welcomed. They bring cultural variety, new ideas and much-needed tax dollars.

As a business owner here, I know that I am not alone in welcoming "The Texans" when they come back into town for special events like the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, Carmel Bach Festival and the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance. They have a well deserved reputation for spending their money to support this tiny business community and I, for one, love to hear those accents when they walk in my door.

I sincerely hope these disgruntled neighbors never need

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# PUBLIC NOTICES

**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; personal property including but not limited to furniture, clothing, tools, and/or other misc. items.  
Auction to be held at 1:00 pm on November 15, 2023 at: www.selfstorageauction.com  
The property is stored at: Marine Store Self Storage, 475 Reservation Road, Marina, CA 93933  
**Name of Tenants**  
Christi Jackson • Leolofi Penitito Gloria Webb • Clarence Edwards Clayton St John • Sarah Collins 10/27/11/3/23  
**CNS-375493#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication Dates: Oct. 27; Nov. 3, 2023. (PC 1039)

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 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: Oct. 27; Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023. (PC 1041)

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: Oct. 27; Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023. (PC 1042)

**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/ Joseph T. Nance, President  
Date: Oct. 18, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 18, 2023.  
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
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Street, Salinas CA 93901; CA  
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/ Eduardo Guajardo, Managing Member

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 10/17/2023  
10/27/11/3, 11/10, 11/17/23  
**CNS-3748669#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication Dates: Oct. 27; Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023. (PC 1047)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20231809  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **PEITE HOME DESIGNS, 1401 21st Street, Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: Sacramento  
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **AB CREATIVE CONCEPTS LLC, 1401 21ST STREET, SUITE R, SACRAMENTO, CA 95811.**  
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.  
**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/Angelina Benavides, CEO  
Date: Oct. 3, 2023

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20231825  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **KLEANCO SUPPLY, 212 Griffin St., Salinas, CA 93901.**  
Mailing address: **1050 Charlestown Way, Salinas, CA 93906.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey  
Registered Owner(s): **IVAN M. MARTINEZ, 212 Griffin St., 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 N/A.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/Ivan Martinez  
Date signed: Oct. 6, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 6, 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

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20231911  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**1. ABSTRACT CHIC**  
**2. THE DIAMOND ELECTRIC**  
**3. JOE NANCE MUSIC**  
**4. AVID ROOTS**  
**5. ARTIST N.E.M.**  
**1968 S. Coast Hwy #3817, Laguna Beach, CA 92651.**  
Mailing address: **P.O. Box 1440, Marina, CA 93933.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey  
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **NANCEXCO LLC, 1968 S. Coast Hwy #3817, Laguna Beach, CA 92651.**  
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20231907  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**Monterey County Probate, 587 San Felipe St., Salinas, CA 93901,** County of Monterey  
Registered Owner(s):  
**Eddie G Real Estate LLC, 587 San Felipe**

**NOTICE OF VACANCY INVITATION TO RESIDENTS TO SERVE ON DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
The Carmel Area Wastewater District (CAWD) Board of Directors desires to make an appointment of a qualified person to fill a vacancy on the Board. The five-member Board is the governing body of the District. Its members are elected to serve four-year terms of office. The person appointed to fill the vacant Board member position will remain in office until the regular board meeting in December 2024 and must stand for election by District voters in the District's general election on November 5, 2024, if they wish to continue to serve on the Board for any subsequent full term. Other qualified candidates may also seek office in the November election.  
Candidates for the Board of Directors' vacancy must be residents of the District, citizens of the United States and be a registered voter. Applications, including biographical information, will be received until 3:00 p.m. on Monday, November 6, 2023. The Board will review written applications and other submitted information.  
All candidates will be invited to make an oral statement and answer questions in support of their application to the Board of Directors on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, at 9 a.m. at the special board meeting.  
The Board meets monthly on the last Thursday at 9:00 a.m., and members may also be assigned to standing and ad hoc committees of the Board.  
For more information, please interested individuals may contact CAWD at 831-624-1248 or stop by the office at 3945 Rio Road, Carmel, CA 93923. An application may also be requested via email from [downstream@cawd.org](mailto:downstream@cawd.org).  
Ken White, Carmel Area Wastewater District Board President  
District map: <https://www.cawd.org/district-map>  
Publication dates: October 27, 2023 (PC1043)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, on or after 4:30 p.m.,** the City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will hold a Public Hearing via teleconference and in-person at the City Hall Council Chambers located on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea.  
**SUBJECT OF PUBLIC HEARINGS:**  
**First Reading of Ordinance No. 2023-007 Amending the Carmel Municipal Code Title 17 (Zoning) by Repealing and Replacing Chapter 17.42 Stormwater Quality and Utility and Chapter 17.43 Water Quality Protection**  
Location: Citywide  
Hold a public hearing, read by title only, and introduce Ordinance No. 2023-007 (Zoning) by Repealing and Replacing Chapter 17.42 Stormwater Quality and Utility and Chapter 17.43 Water Quality Protection.  
**Resolution 2023-103, selecting an Overhead to Under-ground Utility Conversion Project and establish-**  
**ing the Carmel Underground Utility District utilizing Rule 20A allocations**  
Location: Assessment District 1 - located on the west side of Ocean Ave from San Antonio Ave West approximately 800' to the end of the parking lot at the Del Mar Beach Entrance. Assessment District 2 - Located at Mission Trail Nature Preserve, on the west side of Willow Trail from the Entrance Gate at 11th Ave south, +/- 1,100'  
Consider adoption of Resolution 2023-103 selecting an Overhead to Under-ground Conversion Project and establishing the Carmel Underground Utility District utilizing Rule 20A allocations  
**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** This meeting will be held via teleconference and in person ("hybrid") in the City Council Chambers at City Hall located on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea. The public is welcome to attend the meeting in person or remotely via Zoom Webinar, however, the meeting will proceed as normal even if there are technical difficulties accessing Zoom. The City will do its best to resolve any technical issues as quickly as possible. To participate via teleconference, click the following link to attend via Zoom Webinar (or copy and paste the link into your browser):  
<https://ci-carmel-ca-us.zoom.us/j/86721067021>  
Meeting ID: 86721067021. Passcode: 022734. Dial in: (253) 215-8782  
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>. The Council meeting will be televised live on the City's website and archived there after the meeting. For more information regarding City Council meetings, please contact the City Clerk's office at (831) 620-2016.  
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 City Clerk at City Hall located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921 or P.O. Box CC, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921 or by email [cityclerk@ci.carmel.ca.us](mailto:cityclerk@ci.carmel.ca.us) prior to the meeting. With respect to written comments, please submit them at least 2 hours before the meeting in order to ensure they are provided to the legislative body and made part of the record. Comments received after that time and up to the end of the public hearing will be saved as part of the record but may not be provided to the legislative body prior to or during the public hearing.  
If you challenge the nature of the proposed action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the city council at, or prior to, the public hearing.  
Nova Romero, MMC, City Clerk  
Date: 10/24/2023 • Publish Date: 10/27/2023  
Publication dates: Oct. 27, 2023 (PC1045)

**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, November 8, 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=Q1V1VERQZVRVend2R3daNFo3ZW99CQ109>. 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](mailto: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 23-208 (Hunter)**  
Samuel Pitnick, Architect  
Casanova Street 2 northwest of 13th Avenue  
Block AA; Lot 21  
APN: 010-281-025-000  
Consideration of a Concept Design Study for the construction of a new 1,600-square-foot, two-story single-family residence with a 200-square-foot detached garage in the front setback on a vacant lot located at Casanova Street 2 northwest of 13th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) District.  
**DS 23-273 (Fortune)**  
David Fortune, Owner  
Guadalupe Street 3 southeast of 3rd Avenue  
Block 41; Lot 6  
APN: 010-023-014-000  
Consideration of a Concept Design Study for the demolition of a 173-square-foot detached garage and construction of an 820-square-foot net addition inclusive of a new 244-square-foot attached garage to an existing 794-square-foot, one-story single-family residence located at Guadalupe Street 3 southeast of 3rd Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) District.  
**DS 23-269 (Johnson)**  
Blake Jopling, Landscape Architect  
13th Franciscan Way  
Block 9; Lot 14  
APN: 009-382-010-000  
Consideration of a Track 1 Design Study Referral for the construction of a new side yard fence that exceeds six feet (6') tall located at 2981 Franciscan Way in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) District.  
**DS 23-196 (Three Hounds Enterprises, LLC)**  
Carol Brack, Agent  
San Antonio Avenue 2 northwest of 11th Avenue  
Block A3; Lots 8, 9, & 10  
APN: 010-303-007-000  
Consideration of a Concept Design Study for substantial alterations to an existing single-family residence located at San Antonio Avenue 2 northwest of 11th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) District.  
Publication dates: Oct. 27, 2023 (PC1049)  
**DS 23-221 (Mardani)**  
Azadeh Mardani, Owner  
Ocean Avenue 4 northeast of Guadalupe Street  
Block 64; Lot 6  
APN: 010-033-011-000  
Consideration of a Concept Design Study for one- and two-story additions totaling 363 square feet to a one-story, 562-square-foot cottage and construction of a 200-square-foot detached garage in the front yard setback located on Ocean Avenue 4 northeast of Guadalupe Street in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) District.  
**DS 23-298 (Cruz)**  
CODG, Inc., Designer  
Monte Verde Street 3 northwest of 11th Avenue  
Block E; Lot 13  
APN: 010-185-007-000  
Consideration of a Track 1 Design Study Referral for a detached carport in the front yard setback and amendments to Design Study approval, DS 22-274 (Cruz), for a full exterior renovation, 772-square-foot single-story addition, and 200-square-foot detached garage at an existing 1,029-square-foot single-story cottage located on Monte Verde Street 3 northwest of 11th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) District.  
**DS 23-126 (Barnes)**  
Eric Wynkoop, Architect  
Santa Fe Street 3 southwest of 2nd Avenue  
Block 25; Lot 5  
APN: 010-102-003-000  
Consideration of a combined Concept and Final Design Study and associated Coastal Development Permit for a 333-square-foot rear addition and a new 185-square-foot rear deck located on Santa Fe Street 3 southwest of 2nd Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) District.  
Publication dates: Oct. 27, 2023 (PC1049)



## Park welcomes hundreds of runners

SEVERAL HUNDRED Monterey County high school students from Monterey County will compete Saturday in the Pacific Coast Athletic League's Cross-Country Championship at Palo Corona Regional Park. The race starts at 9 a.m.

The event is a collaboration between the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District and the Big Sur Marathon Foundation.

The race course follows what is now known as the park's Multi-Benefit

Community Trail, which opened last year and runs alongside Carmel River. According to the park district, it follows the natural contours of the former Rancho Cañada golf course" and crosses two bridges. The trail is described as "fast" and "challenging," with "great spectator viewing areas." Following the race, there will be an award ceremony near the start/finish line.

While the trail hosts cross country races during the fall, it's mostly used by hikers. The park is at 4860 Carmel Valley Rd.

## MORE LETTERS

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the services of someone like Dr. Brown, who, regardless of the unkind things they have said about him, would still honor his Hippocratic oath and render expert medical assistance. I'd sure sleep better if I knew my neighbor was a renowned cardiac specialist.

Susie Bauer, Carmel

### Hockey glory days

Dear Editor,

Each week I look forward to reading my hometown paper. Especially the sports, which is always well written and appreciated.

While I eagerly read the recent write-up concerning the growing strength of the CHS field hockey team, I would be remiss if I did not point out some fun history.

During the late 1970s and through the 1980s, CHS had THE hockey team of the region. Guided by Phyllis Crockett, these teams had some challenges from RLS, Catalina and Monterey; however, the rest of the schools were taught by us as we played them. We weren't arrogant — how could we be when wearing old football jerseys as our uniforms? We just wanted to help if they invited the assistance. We were taught by the best, and to help others was the cornerstone of Mrs. C's influence.

I distinctly remember playing a game at

North Salinas where our coach taught their coach, and our student athletes assisted their athletes in understanding the game. Same thing happened at Gonzales. It was fun playing these teams, playing a really great sport, building a team atmosphere of acceptance and respect for others.

The CHS teams have a long history of strong sportsmanship and dedication to team. This history should not be forgotten.

Jeannine Harber, CHS Class of '81

### Loving seniors pays off

Dear Editor,

By adopting a senior dog, you are giving them a second chance at life in return for an abundance of love. This is exactly what happened to Peace of Mind Dog Rescue adopter, Mia G.: "Peace of Mind Dog Rescue changed our life by introducing us to the best dog we could have ever asked for — our sweet senior, Zoey!"

Put a smile on a senior dog's face by giving them a home during "Adopt a Senior Pet Month" this November. They have so much love to give, are easier than puppies, and are usually housetrained. Find your new best friend on our website at PeaceOfMindDogRescue.org or go to PetFinder.com or AdoptAPet.com.

According to The Grey Muzzle Organization, adopters of senior dogs say they would do it again in a heartbeat. If you're among them, please share your dog's photo on social media using the hashtag #GreyMuzzleGratitude. Change more than one life by adopting a senior dog today!

Carie Broecker,

Peace of Mind Dog Rescue, P.G.

## LESLIE LOYEK

1949-2023

Leslie ended her seven year battle with breast cancer this October. She said, "My goal is to have a life of good quality, not quantity." Born in Ohio, she raised her three sons in New Jersey before moving to Arizona and finally Pacific Grove.

Much of Leslie's early years involved water sports on Lake Erie, Girl Scouts and horseback riding. She came to love the isolation and nature surrounding the family's cabin in Canada — no plumbing or electricity. After college at Green Mountain College and Ohio University, she became an elementary school teacher.

Leslie's faith was central to her life. She became a Stephen Minister, a lay person trained to help others through difficult situations, and then a trainer of future Stephen Ministers. She was also a Hospice volunteer and participated in the Susan G. Komen 3-Day walk to end breast cancer to raise awareness of the disease. Despite undergoing continuous cancer treatment, she volunteered for several committees upon arrival at Canterbury Woods, always looking for ways to help her community.

Leslie is survived by two sisters, Linda Beidleman and Dorothea Freeman; brother and sister-in-law, Jay and Lynne Havighurst; three sons, Christopher, Scott and David; one daughter-in-law, Jackie; and two grandchildren, Logan and Jack.

A memorial service will begin at 3 p.m. November 6 in the auditorium at Canterbury Woods, 651 Sinex, Pacific Grove, Ca 93950.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Carol Hatton Breast Care Center of Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, 2 Upper Ragsdale Drive, Building C, Monterey, CA 93940.



## LICENSE

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state regulations.

Jacobson, the attorney's general's office found, failed to refer Scurrah's ECT treatment to a peer committee for review — which it considered a "departure from the standard of care" — and omitted "any discussion in the record of the prolonged course of electroconvulsive therapy."

Jacobson also "did not document the implications of exceeding 30 ECT treatments," nor did he perform any cognitive tests after Scurrah complained of memory problems, the attorney general said in its 2017 complaint.

Electroconvulsive therapy treatment, which is aimed at helping patients with mental illness, involves sending an electric current through a patient's brain under

general anesthesia.

This week, Scurrah, who was only recently informed that Jacobson relinquished his medical license earlier this year, told The Pine Cone she's satisfied that he can no longer practice medicine. She was also critical of electroconvulsive therapy.

"Sadly, ECT has not been improved upon through the decades, and its abuse, as well as its serious side effects, are just as severe as they were back then," she explained.

Scurrah — who filed suit against Jacobson and several other doctors in 2015 for prescribing too many ECT sessions but later dropped the complaint — said the treatment has affected all aspects of her life.

"I have suffered almost complete memory loss of my past as the result of excessive ECT," said Scurrah, who added that she no longer suffers from bipolar disorder.

# SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS


**Grieving? Know someone who is?**


When you are grieving a loved one's death, the holiday season can be especially painful. Our **Surviving the Holidays** seminar will help you discover:

- How to deal with emotions
- What to do about traditions
- Helpful tips for surviving social events
- How to find hope for the future

**2-4 PM Sunday  
NOVEMBER 5**

\$15 | Register at [www.shoreline.church/griefshare](http://www.shoreline.church/griefshare)





2500 Garden Road, Monterey | [www.shoreline.church](http://www.shoreline.church)

## DAVID JOSEPH BANKS

September 29, 1941 - October 20, 2023

David Joseph Banks was born September 29, 1941, at St. Joseph's Hospital in Santa Ana, CA to Albert Banks and Rosemary Ashen Banks. Dave was the third son after Al and Don but before sister Beverly. Some of Dave's fondest memories were helping his mother take care of his baby sister and playing in the orange groves where Disneyland now stands.



Dave graduated from Mater Dei High School in Santa Ana in 1959. He enrolled in pharmacy school at the College of the Pacific (later University of Pacific) in Stockton, CA, and was a member of Phi Delta Chi pharmacy fraternity. It was there that he met Wendy Oxley during orientation. He proposed in the Rose Garden and she said yes.

Dave and Wendy married on June 9, 1962, at St. Joseph's Church in Redding, CA, and honeymooned on Santa Catalina Island. They were a bit embarrassed when rice spilled out of the hair dryer box and landed on the tarmac. The newlyweds returned to Stockton to finish college and start a family. Dave graduated from college in 1964. By 1967, they had three daughters and in 1970 they welcomed a baby boy into their growing family.

A chance meeting on a chair lift in Tahoe gave them word of a pharmacy for sale in Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA. They gladly traded peat dust for cooling fog! Dave found a business partner and made the move to Carmel Drug Store, the oldest drug store in town.

For over 40 years, he was a pharmacist across the Monterey Peninsula and a member of Carmel Host Lions Club, Knights of Columbus, and Carmel Residents Association.

Upon retirement, Dave and Wendy joined the Peace Corps in 2008, serving in Tanzania. Together, they worked tirelessly to educate and empower young women.

Returning home, Dave and Wendy resumed friendships, family gatherings, and walks by the ocean with their beloved miniature schnauzer, Izzie. Carmel Mission was an important part of Dave's spiritual life and continues to be for Wendy.

Dave was preceded in death by parents, Albert and Rosemary Banks; and brothers, Al and Don Banks.

Surviving relatives include his wife, Wendy; daughters, Rebecca Tracy, Jennifer and husband Jeff Svihus, Emily and husband Paul Cappellano; son, Josh Banks; grandchildren, Abigail Tyndall (Wade), Alexis Loader, Gabriel Loader, Nicholas Tracy, Dylan Svihus (Molly), Jonah Svihus, Dante Cappellano, Ellyse Cappellano, Seamus Cappellano. Great-grandchildren include Luca, Freya, Ada, and Jude. He is also survived by his sister, Beverly Deckard of Hesperia, CA.

**A Mass will be said at 10 a.m. November 24 at Carmel Mission  
with a reception immediately following at Crespi Hall.  
In lieu of flowers, donations can be made at [ihelpmontereybay.org](http://ihelpmontereybay.org).**

# Editorial

## The tyranny of the majority

SHOULD PEOPLE who live in big cities be able to dictate policy for small towns?

In a representative democracy like the United States, things frequently turn out that way. In presidential elections, for example, the candidate preferred in New York, Los Angeles and Chicago almost always wins, no matter what people in Topeka, Tupelo and Tulare want. For some national issues — things where the costs and benefits of any given policy are equally distributed around the country — the electoral advantage given to city residents makes sense, because there are more of them.

But what about issues that are uniquely rural or that only affect people in small towns? Should those be decided by big city residents, too?

The classic example is the 1996 California ballot measure to decide whether it should be legal to hunt mountain lions, which are much more common than they were 50 years ago.

According to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, from the beginning of the 20th century until 1963, a bounty was offered for anyone who killed a mountain lion, reducing the statewide population of the big cats to about 1,500. But things changed in 1990 when a ballot measure reclassified the mountain lion as a protected species, making it possible to kill one only if it was a demonstrated threat to farm animals — a policy that restored the lion population to its pre-1900 level of 4,000 to 6,000.

As the lion population boomed, so did impacts on livestock, pets and even humans.

“Public support for the big cats began to wane with a series of attacks on humans, culminating with two fatalities in 1994,” reported the Los Angeles Times.

The threat convinced the Legislature to schedule a 1996 ballot measure that would have made it legal, once again, for ranchers to kill mountain lions that preyed on their herds, and for hunters to kill them for sport. But when the issue went before voters in March 1996, the result was 58 percent to 42 percent in favor of maintaining the lions’ protected status. In cities like Los Angeles, San Francisco and San Diego, the pro-lion vote was overwhelming, reaching as high as 75 percent, while in rural areas like Modoc, Inyo, Madera and Plumas counties, the vote was as high as 80 percent to allow people to hunt lions.

Should it matter that there are no lions in San Francisco and nobody who lives there has a herd of sheep or is afraid they’ll be mauled by one while they’re on a neighborhood hike? Should people who have no stake in the outcome be allowed to decide an important political controversy for people who do?

This question came to mind during Monday night’s forum on statewide housing mandates that were imposed by politicians in big cities but will have their biggest impact in small towns. Sen. John Laird and Assemblymember Dawn Addis acknowledged that forcing built-out Carmel to add 349 housing units will have a major impacts on the town, which until five minutes ago was considered an historic village of statewide significance. But they also said there was no chance of getting the mandates lifted or amended, because big-city residents are determined to have them.

Since the beginning of zoning, land uses were considered matters of local concern, to be decided by city councils and boards of supervisors, because the impact of housing policies was felt by local residents much more than people who lived elsewhere. This is still true. But in California, the people of San Francisco and Los Angeles have become so arrogant and so politically extreme, they think they should be deciding everything for everybody. And the people of Carmel, population 3,200, are way too few to do anything about it.

## BEST of BATES



“Been on vacation?”

## Letters to the Editor

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### Free speech and abuse Dear Editor,

Last Friday’s P.G. City Council and Save Carmel articles had something in common. Both involved persons who didn’t want their identities known. They both sought to hide their identities behind the anti-intimidation free speech rule. Most people who appear at public hearings freely state their names.

Why did the P.G. Zoom callers and the Save Carmel supporters want to keep their names secret? In the P.G. case, the callers did not want to be associated with their stupidity. In the Save Carmel matter, those seeking to conceal their identities presumably did not want to be associated with the blatant untruth of the statements they made.

The no-name right to appear before a public body applies to personal appearances. Does it automatically apply to Zoom callers? It does not. A personal appearer

is usually known and local. Expressions, body language and subtle aspects of communication exist. The person must personally face and interact with others present. Conspiracy appearances by outsiders can be easily spotted.

Zoom callers do not have these characteristics. Zoom can be used for a conspiracy appearance by people with disruptive intent. Public entities are not obligated to use Zoom. Governing can be carried on fine without Zoom. If Zoom is used, due to its susceptibility to abuse, it is reasonable to cut off the speaker when the slightest suggestion of abuse appears.

George Brehmer, Carmel

### ‘Restoring local control’ Dear Editor,

I just watched the Carmel Residents Association town hall on the state housing mandates. Neither Sen. John Laird or Assemblymember Dawn Addis was able to clearly articulate any concrete, workable solutions to all of the problems these high-density new housing developments will cause in our communities. We do not have the infrastructure or resources to support all of this new housing that the state is requiring on the Central Coast.

Additionally, Addis stated at the end of the town hall that there is a “younger generation that wants to build wealth” who are consequently very supportive of all of this housing legislation that takes away local control. How will building a bunch of rental apartments anywhere and everywhere create “generational wealth?” Were

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# Citizen Zamorano's printing press

ONE OF the little-known but significant characters in the history of Monterey is Agustin Vincente Zamorano (1798-1842). Zamorano came to Monterey in 1825 as secretary for newly appointed Gov. Jose Maria de Echeandía. This was a tumultuous time in Monterey's colonial history, impacted by growing pains and leadership changes in the young Republic of Mexico that declared independence from Spain in 1821.

Zamorano was born on May 5, 1798,

Maria Figueroa, who took charge of a reunited California in Monterey in January 1833.

Zamorano then launched a new career as a printer. As an artisan, he had printed some official documents in Monterey, creating letterhead and proclamations with hand-carved wood blocks. By 1834, Zamorano had access to a Ramage printing press made in Philadelphia.

For much of the history of this significant press, we can be grateful to early historian Edward C. Kemble, who, on Dec. 25, 1858, published the "History of California Newspapers" in the Sacramento Union. But even then, Kemble could only speculate on the arrival of Zamorano's printing press, writing that it "came about 1832. It is believed that it was contracted for in 1829 or 1830." Kemble reports that the well-used press was brought by Boston merchant Thomas Shaw and sold to Zamorano for \$460.

### Esteemed bibliophiles

In 1934, Harding published his findings that the press came from Boston on the Lagoda, a ship that arrived in Monterey in June or July of 1834. And a later esteemed group of historians and bibliophiles, members of the Zamorano Club, determined that it was actually Figueroa who brought the press with him to Monterey in 1833.

Regardless of the source, it was soon under the charge of Zamorano, whose earliest surviving print job from the press was a notice produced in 1834. Kemble provides the translation:

"At the Printing Office of the citizen Agustin V. Zamorano & Co. established in the Capital is offered to serve the

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## History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

in a province of New Spain on the other side of North America, San Agustin de la Florida — today's St. Augustine. His father was Castilian, born in Avila, Spain, and met and married Zamorano's mother in Cuba. Family records do not indicate whether Zamorano had any siblings, and while we know little of his youth, he was clearly well educated. George L. Harding titled his biography: "Don Agustin V. Zamorano, Statesman, Soldier, Craftsman and California's First Printer."

Zamorano joined the Mexican army in the fight for independence. Then, just four years after the republic was born, the 27-year-old Zamorano was appointed to accompany Echeandía to Monterey as both secretary and comandante of the Presidio. Echeandía preferred San Diego and served most of his term as governor from there, leaving Zamorano largely in charge in Monterey.

### Populating Monterey

Possibly on a state visit to San Diego in February 1927, Zamorano married young Maria "Luisa" Juana Josefa de la Cruz Argüello, who turned 15 in March. In addition to governing the colonial capital, Zamorano helped populate it. The first of their seven children was born in Monterey in November 1827, their last in 1836.

When Anastasio Bustamante became president of Mexico after an 1830 coup, he appointed Manuel Victoria to replace Echeandía. The new governor took charge in late January 1831 and proved very unpopular. Victoria was forced out of the state in December by Echeandía's supporters. After a brief power struggle, Echeandía and Zamorano agreed to split control of Alta California in 1832, with Zamorano as governor in Monterey, having charge north of San Gabriel, and Echeandía serving as governor in Los Angeles. That lasted until Mexico sent a new governor, Gen. Jose



PHOTO/FROM THE BOOK COVER OF "DON AGUSTIN V. ZAMORANO- STATESMAN, SOLDIER, CRAFTSMAN AND CALIFORNIA'S FIRST PRINTER" BY GEORGE L. HARDING

The facsimile of Agustin Zamorano's self-portrait on the cover of his biography is actually from an early photo of the painting. The original painting was destroyed in a fire more than a century ago.

Don't miss "Scenic Views" by Jerry Gervase — every week in the Real Estate Section.

# A painter whose favorite color just happens to be black

NORMAL PEOPLE can do art, but being an artist is not for normal people, believes Frank Sunseri, whose ultra-realistic still-life oil paintings are inspired by those created in 17th century by the Dutch Masters.

"If you're following that life, it isn't going to be a regular life. Art isn't some-

means 'the black,' which I find interesting, because black is my favorite color."

By 1950, the year Sunseri was born in Stockton, the Loneros were operating a cherry stand on Highway 88, near Lodi. Young Frank worked there as a kid, developing "merchant skills" he used in grammar school, selling his homemade tiki pendants to classmates.

"I grew up in a wonderful family where we'd have the most classic Sicilian dinners every Sunday," he said. "While the spaghetti sauce was cooking, my father would say, 'OK, Grandpa's gonna sing!' Grandpa had to go to the other end of the house because he was so loud, and we'd stand in the kitchen so he wouldn't blow us away."

"Was he good? Well, he thought he was good. He thought he was as good as anybody," Sunseri remembered with amusement.

Sunseri's grandma was a concert pianist, his aunt was an opera singer, his father played the violin, and his cousin, Dee, is a painter whose works hang in galleries in New Orleans.

"So I had good influences from all of them," he said.

Sunseri graduated in 1968 from Stagg High, got married — "What I call my 'childhood marriage,'" he said — joined the Air Force and spent 1970 and 1971 in Thailand, near the Laotian border, loading bombs and rockets onto aircraft bound for Vietnam.

After his discharge in 1972, he returned to Stockton, taking art classes at Delta College from Roque Barrera.

### Easy rider

By 1974, Sunseri had detached himself from polite society and was riding his Harley chopper around the country with a handful of other military veterans.

"I wasn't an outlaw biker, but I definitely was a loner," he said. "We all basically just wanted to smoke pot, drink beer and ride our Harleys. It was a very nice, very crazy time in my life. Not much else to say about that, except I hardly remember it."

In 1975, Sunseri returned to the civilized world, went through a divorce, and found a good job working for PG&E as a welder, where he began to learn the craft that led him toward sculpture. He also moved to the Monterey Peninsula.

"Around 1979, I was living above the Hog's Breath Inn, and working for Carmel sculptor Malcolm Moran, helping him create commissioned sculptures," said Sunseri, who, during the 1980s, worked with Big Sur sculptors Loet Van Derveen and Victor Zaikine, and in Placerville at a foundry operated by the Bennett brothers, Bob and Tom. That's when he

## Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

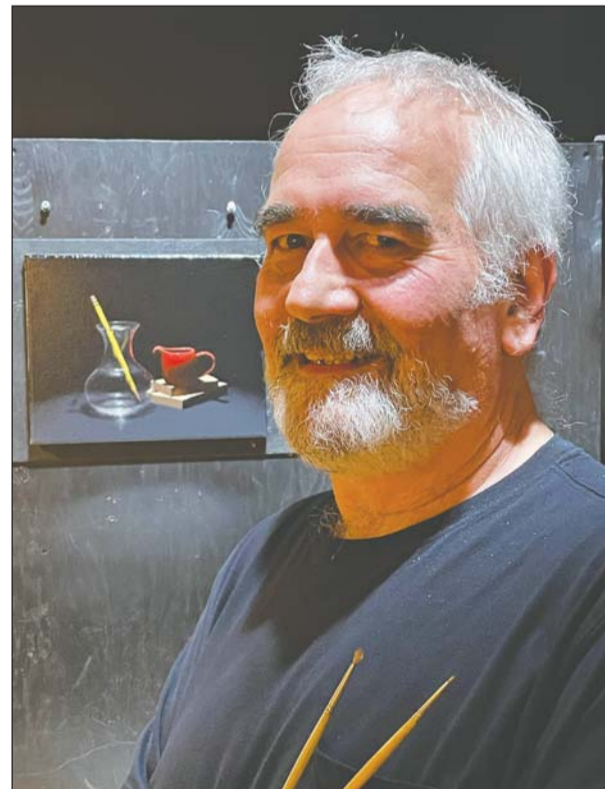
thing you do, it's a way that you are. And your life has to work around that," explained the 73-year-old Monterey artist, who supported himself for nearly 30 years as a welded-metal sculptor and stone carver, but abruptly detoured toward painting in 2000 after a transformative journey to Italy, France and Belgium.

### Da Vinci and Theopolis

"After I visited those museums in Florence, Venice, Paris and Antwerp and studied the techniques of the Dutch and Italian renaissance painters, I just couldn't get enough," he said. "I saw power in those paintings and sculptures, and when I came back, I started reading every book I could find about Da Vinci and Theopolis and all of the ancient-method guys. I spent quite a long time experimenting."

Sunseri creates his magic in a surprisingly small and dark studio in the home near Monterey High that he shares with his wife, Marylee (Duval) Sunseri, a professional singer. He paints exclusively from life (as opposed to photos), specializing in simple arrangements of everyday things — a piece of fruit, a well-worn pencil in a glass vase, an old-fashioned teapot — always painstakingly well-lighted, invariably against a raven-black background.

"My grandfather, Charlie Lonero, was a Monterey fisherman (skipper of The North Star) in the 1930s," he said. "He was Sicilian, and his name, Lonero, actually



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Longtime Monterey artist remade himself from sculptor to still life painter after studying 17th-century Dutch Masters in Europe.

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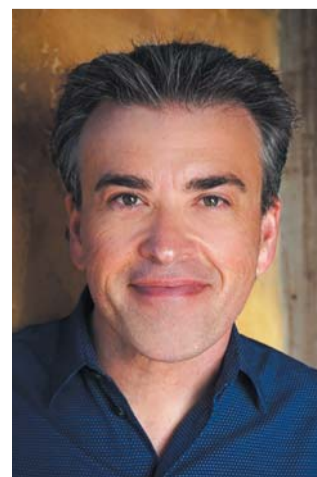
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# It took 30 years to get from 'The Gong Show' to a West End theater

SPENCER WILLIAMS, chair of the arts department and director of performing arts at York School — and the second-youngest of five boys — had a head start on show business. He was already appearing on TV with his parents and brothers when he was in first grade, and

style. They played the 1985 World Expo in Tokyo, were frequently seen near Main Street U.S.A. in Disneyland and did a season at Great America, in addition to performing on the streets of San Francisco, at county fairs and in retirement homes.

That means that although the 42-year-old is a relative youngster for this column (there's usually a minimum age of 50), he's been performing for more than 30 years. His biggest theatrical accomplishment, though, was behind

the scenes. We'll get to it shortly.

In high school, Williams jumped into musical theater and was a member of a school choir that brought him back to Disneyland and performed at the Los Angeles Shakespeare Festival.

### An old journal

Perhaps more significant than being onstage, however, was the encouragement of the faculty. "Teachers in high school are the reason I teach," he said, noting that he was still in touch with some of his former instructors.

He continued performing while he earned his bachelor's degree in music education at Brigham Young University and his master's in the same subject at Boston University. He taught at Pinewood, a private school for grades seven through 12 in Palo Alto, for 10 years before taking the job at York and moving to Carmel Valley.

While he's been teaching, conducting school choirs and leading students' theatrical productions, Williams has been pursuing a project that began about 10 years ago, when his mother gave him his great-great-great-grandfather's journals.

Williams' ancestor, Joseph Parry, spent just one page recounting his journey at age 19 from North Wales

to the United States. He arrived in New Orleans on Oct. 29, 1848, sailed up the Mississippi River, turned left and walked to Ogden, Utah, where he made his home.

"How do you get to a place where you jump on a ship, sight unseen, and go to a new country? At 18 or 19, I could barely go to college," Williams said. He added that before leaving Wales, Parry was orphaned when his parents died of an unknown illness, which, based on Williams' research, was probably cholera.

Williams looked at the story and — as only a creative musician would — thought, "This could be a cool musical." He said many Welsh people blamed the Romany people, sometimes referred to as Gypsies, for the spread of cholera, so he imagined a forbidden love affair between a Welsh man and a Romany woman.

He explained that many — but not all — members of the Romany culture are offended by the term "Gypsies," because it has been used derogatorily. It's derived from the word "Egyptian," although their origins were in India.

Williams collaborated with a former classmate from BYU, Shenelle Salcido, to create a 2 1/2-hour show called "For Tonight," set in North Wales during the 1800s.

In 2014, readings and songs from the show were performed at the New York Musical Theater festival. Williams then took his work to theaters in the United States, including New York and Michigan, and the United Kingdom, for staged readings and musical performances to work out some of the bugs. A full production with choreography was staged in 2019 at the Queensbury Theater in Houston, Texas.

### One night only

During the pandemic, Williams saw an opportunity to make a concept album to showcase the drama's music. He said he started auditioning people during lockdown, and the score was recorded by 20



PHOTO/SHENELLE SALCIDO

Spencer Williams is in front of London's Adelphi Theater, where his musical, "For Tonight," was performed.

musicians in Wales, Scotland, New York City and England. A musical director then assembled the tracks.

Williams was determined to see the show produced in the United Kingdom. In summer 2022, Nick Evans — a Welsh producer — along with a choreographer and the musical director from the album, put on a performance in London's Welsh Center for about "30 to 40 industry folks." They worked with a Romany cultural consultant, which Williams said "deepened" the show and made it more authentic.

Williams returned to London this year for a one-night performance, complete with lighting, sets and costumes, in the celebrated West End theater district. It debuted Sept. 5 in the 1,800-seat Adelphi Theater, recently the home of "Back to the Future," a musical based on the Michael J. Fox/Christopher Lloyd film.

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## Great Lives

By ELAINE HESSER

the Williams Family Cloggers performed throughout his childhood.

They were on the "The Gong Show" — a quirky 1970s and 80s game show in which amateur performers competed for relatively small cash prizes of varying and odd amounts.

Celebrity judges rated the acts — musicians, acrobats, mimes, comedians, magicians and more. The gimmick was that the judges could interrupt and end the worst performances by striking a large gong. Thankfully, the cloggers weren't gonged. In fact, they won the \$701 grand prize. You can see the episode online at youtube.com/watch?v=j5-sr8La0PM.

The family troupe, based in their San Francisco Bay area home, was quite successful performing the Appalachian dance



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The cast of the musical, "For Tonight," written by Shenelle Salcido and York School teacher Spencer Williams, takes a curtain call.



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public with the greatest exactness and care; receiving all kinds of writing under the rules established by the laws for the liberty of the press, subjecting the loose impressions to the following rates, and agreeing at more equitable prices with gentlemen who may wish to establish any periodical.”

Thus, Zamorano was California’s first printer and in 1835, he produced the first book printed in California, Figueroa’s “Manifeto Mejicana.” On July 24, 1836, Zamorano published a pompous declaration by the unpopular Governor Mariano Chico. An appointee by Mexico after the death of Figueroa, Chico took charge in April and was forced out by Californians shortly after the July proclamation.

During his two or three years with the printing office in Monterey, Zamorano is credited with printing five books, including early educational textbooks. After Juan Bautista Alvarado became governor in Monterey in December 1836, Zamorano moved his family to San Diego, where he died in 1842.

The press, however, lived on. It was sent to Sonoma and used under the direction of Gen. Mariano Guadalupe Vallejo to produce two more books, and was later used by José de la Rosa, an 1834 colonist with the Hajar-Padres settlement in Sonoma, who published four books on the press. It was returned to Monterey in 1843.

### Newspapermen

After Sloat’s landing in July 1846, the old press was discovered in Monterey. There were two experienced newspapermen serving with the American occupying party — Rev. Walter Colton and Pvt. Robert B. Semple.

Colton, the ship’s chaplain who was put in charge of civilians in Monterey as alcalde, or mayor, had previously edited newspapers in Washington D.C. and in Philadelphia.

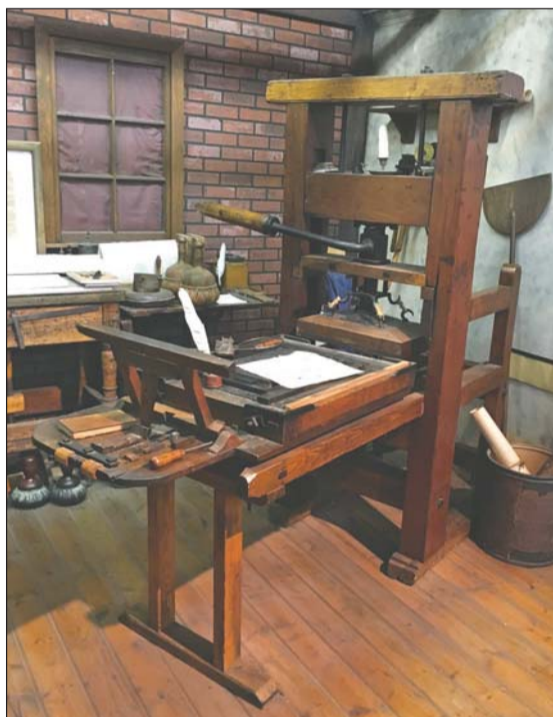
Semple hailed from Cumberland County, Ky., was 40 years old and stood 6 feet, 7 inches, tall. He had come west overland in 1845, and participated in the Bear Flag Revolt before joining the Dragoons in Monterey on July 15, 1846. He didn’t serve

long, though. In early August, Semple wrote a letter to Capt. Dangerfield Fauntleroy of the Dragoons, asking to be relieved of duty, writing in part, “I found a very good press and a sufficient quantity of type to print a paper. Captain Mervin offered me the use of them and his warm support on the publication of a paper. Parson Colton offers his talents and warm support ... as my object in leaving home was to act as I can be of the most service to my adopted country and being the only person here who understands the management of a newspaper, I feel it my duty to do so.”

### The little press that could

Colton had a less complimentary view of the quality of the old and very worn Ramage press. Nevertheless, Semple was discharged and on Aug. 15, 1846, Colton and Semple published the first issue of the Californian — the first newspaper published in California.

Quite a history for the little old press — and it wasn’t finished; nor was Semple, although both the press and Semple left Monterey in 1847. Semple returned to Monterey in 1849 and was elected president of the Constitutional Convention held at Colton Hall. For what happened to the press, and more on the Zamorano Club, catch my column next week.



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This 1806 common press, the oldest press in the International Printing Museum in Carson, Calif., was made by Adam Ramage of Philadelphia. The early one-pull press is a good example of the type of machine used by Zamorano in Monterey in the 1830s.

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## LIVES

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The cast of 18, about half whom worked on the 2022 production, brought the show together in a jaw-dropping six days. Several actors told Williams they were thrilled to be able to perform with their authentic Welsh accents, a rare opportunity. The orchestration was performed for the first time by an eight-piece band with a harpist, along with a 10-person student choir.

### 'The other'

At first, it didn't seem like the production would be a big draw. "The week going in, we'd sold 300 to 400 seats, which was fine," Williams said. Enter Elaine Paige, a BBC theater reporter. Before she had that gig, she had become "The First Lady of British Musical Theater," playing (among many others) the title role in "Evita" when it opened in 1978. She mentioned "For Tonight," and closed her broadcast with the title song. Then, social media "did the thing you always wish it would do,"

Williams said.

The show sold out.

"There was a moment when everyone on stage was singing and speaking in Welsh. It was like magic," he remembered. It got a standing ovation, with the normally reserved Brits "leaping to their feet" at the end. "It was the most exciting opening and saddest closing night of my life," said Williams.

The Romany who were invited, including the executive director of the Romany Arts Council, told Williams, "We've never seen our culture represented in a kind, culturally correct way. We always get the 'other,' the Esmeralda," referring to the ill-fated character in "The Hunchback of Notre Dame."

Williams hopes to return to the UK for a full run. In the meantime, he's brought many lessons back to his students. They'll learn some of the tricks of the trade Williams said he picked up in rehearsal rooms along the way. More importantly, in an industry that can be brutal to its performers, he hopes his students learn that "you can be kind and create a safe place for people to flourish," and still be successful.

## ARTIST

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became skilled at stone carving, making sculptures he sold at fine art galleries in San Francisco, Sausalito, Carmel and Monterey.

"My sister knew better than to try to set me up with anybody, but in 1985 she made an exception and introduced me to Marylee," he said. "We hit it off right away, got married a few months later, and we've been together for 38 years."

Marylee Duval had toured for nine years with legendary folksinger Randy Sparks as a member of The Back Porch Majority, an offshoot of Sparks' other group, The New Christy Minstrels.

"She moved to Monterey around 1982 and started singing with iconic Monterey musician Mike Marotta, playing weddings and festivals and Italian gigs every weekend. She did that for several years," he said.

Meanwhile, he was selling his sculptures at multiple galleries, including one on Cannery Row he shared with Santa Cruz artist John O. Thomsen.

### Old World techniques

But his trip to Europe changed his trajectory. When he returned, he rented a studio space at Pacific Grove Art Center, where he began painting nudes, testing the Old World techniques he was studying, including traditional oil-glazing and alla prima methods with slow-drying oils. He sold those paintings, along with his sculptures, at Sunseri Gallery, which he operated on 17th Street in Pacific Grove from 2003 to 2005.

In 2012, when Sunseri and Marylee moved into their home in Monterey, he involuntarily retired from sculpting.

"I didn't really have the space to do the stone carving and welded-metal work anymore, got rid of all of the equipment, and said, 'OK, I guess that's the end of that era,'" he said.

Sunseri is a member of the Central Coast Art Association, an associate member of the Carmel Art Association, and a former member of the Monterey Peninsula Art Foundation, where he showed his work in 2022 and 2023, and Artists Equity's Central Coast Chapter.

### Art shows and competitions

"I'm not represented by a gallery and I'm mostly selling my work at art shows and through competitions," said the artist, who won a first-place award this year from the Central Coast Art Association, plus second place in 2022, and third place in 2021 at a City of Seaside show at the Avery Gallery.

"I think it was Pablo Picasso who said, 'It takes a very long time to grow young,' and I think there really is something to that," he commented. "I also think it helps us stay young if we're in a great relationship. Marylee and I have a great time together — we're laughing all the time, every day."

Meanwhile, retirement isn't a concept either of them endorses. Since 1985, Marylee has specialized in performing music for young children at audience-participation shows. And Sunseri paints nearly every day.

"Retirement means you retire from something, but I don't know what you call this thing I've done for most of my life," he said.

Visit [franksunseri.com](http://franksunseri.com) to see images of his work and for additional information about the artist.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231875 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MONARCA BERRY FARMS, 1700 Old Stage Rd., Salinas, CA 93908. Mailing address: 1355 Bolero Avenue, Salinas, CA 93906. Registered Owner(s): LUIS ALBERTO CERVANTES MENDOZA, 1355 Bolero Ave., 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 Oct. 12, 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/Luis Alberto Cervantes Mendoza Date signed: Oct. 12, 2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 12, 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: Oct. 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10, 2023 (PC 1024)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231888 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: P&G ORGANIC FARM, 1700 Old Stage Rd., Salinas, CA 93908. Mailing address: 150 Towt St., Salinas, CA 93905. Registered Owner(s): ISIDRO PEREZ SILVA, 150 Towt St., Salinas, CA 93905. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 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/Isidro Perez Silva Date signed: Oct. 13, 2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 13, 2023. NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Publication Dates: Oct. 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10, 2023 (PC 1025)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 23CV003236 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, JESSICA CHAVEZ JUAREZ, aka JESSICA JUAREZ, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: A. Proposed name: ALEXANDER JESUS ORTEGA B. Proposed name: ALEXANDER JESUS JUAREZ THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING: DATE: 8:30 a.m. TIME: 8:30 a.m. DEPT: 14 The address of the court is 1200 Agujaito Road, Monterey, CA 93940. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel. (s) Carrie M. Panetta Judge of the Superior Court Date filed: Oct. 5, 2023 Publication Dates: Oct. 27; Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023. (PC 1027)

set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel. (s) Carrie M. Panetta Judge of the Superior Court Date filed: Oct. 5, 2023 Publication Dates: Oct. 27; Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023. (PC 1027)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231873 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CARMEL CHAMBER PLAYERS, 10661 Hillside Lane, Carmel, CA 93923. Registered Owner(s): JAMES ROBERT NEIMAN, 10661 Hillside Lane, Carmel, CA 93923. 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/James Robert Neiman Date signed: Sept. 21, 2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 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: Oct. 27, Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023 (PC 1028)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231703 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: YUKIKO'S DOG GROOMING, 23 E. Romie Ln., Salinas, CA 93901. Registered Owner(s): DENNIS YONEMITSU, 17700 Riverbend Rd., Salinas, CA 93908. YUKIKO YONEMITSU, 17700 Riverbend Rd., Salinas, CA 93908. This business is conducted by a married couple. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 1, 2004. 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/Dennis Yonemitsu Date signed: Sept. 14, 2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 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: Oct. 27, Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023 (PC 1029)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231896 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: Healthy Vegetables Organic Farm, 1700 Old Stage rd, Salinas, CA 93908. County of MONTEREY Registrant(s): J Refugio Morales, 1007 Capri way, Salinas, CA 93905 This business is conducted by an individual Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above N/A. S/ J Refugio Morales Castro, This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 10/16/2023. 10/27/11/3/11/10,11/17/23 CNS-3749918# CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: Oct. 27 Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023. (PC 1030)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231881 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TIERRA DE ESPERANZA ORGANIC FARM, 1700 Old Stage Rd., Salinas, California 93908. Mailing address: 1211 Cooper Ave., Apt. A, Salinas, California 93905. Registered Owner(s): MARIA MAGDALENA LOPEZ PORRAS, 1211 Cooper Ave., Apt. A, Salinas, CA 93905. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 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/Maria Magdalena Lopez Porras Date signed: Oct. 12, 2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 12, 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: Oct. 27, Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023 (PC 1031)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231854 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BIHLER'S TRASH HAULING & JUNK REMOVAL, 343 California St., Salinas, CA 93901. Registered Owner(s): JOSHUA TODD BIHLER, 343 California St., 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 Oct. 18, 2023. BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/Joshua Todd Bihler Date signed: Oct. 18, 2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 18, 2023. NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Publication Dates: Oct. 27, Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023 (PC 1032)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231839 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SELECT PHYSICAL THERAPY, 408 Main Street, Salinas, CA 93901. Mailing address: 4714 Gettysburg Rd., Mechanicsburg, PA 17055. County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: SELECT CAL PHYSICAL THERAPY, P.C., 4714 Gettysburg Rd., Mechanicsburg, PA 17055. 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 Sept. 28, 2022. 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/John F. Duggan, Secretary Date: August 16, 2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 10, 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: Oct. 27, Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023. (PC 1033)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231683 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BAY BRAND BEVERAGES, 743 Sanborn Place 19A, Salinas, CA 93901. Mailing address: 311 Main St. 536, Watsonville, CA 95076. Registered Owner(s): MARIA CARRILLO, 6 Ihlam Plase #6, Watsonville, CA 95076. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Sept. 12, 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/Maria Carrillo Date signed: Sept. 12, 2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 12, 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: Oct. 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10, 2023 (PC 1034)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231844 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PRISMAS ORGANIC FARMS, 1700 Old Stage Rd, Salinas, CA 93908. Registered Owner(s): VERONICA AGUILAR OLIVER, 713 Garner Ave., Unit 202, Salinas, CA 93905. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 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/Veronica Aguilar Oliver Date signed: Oct. 10, 2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 10, 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: Oct. 27, Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023 (PC 1035)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231854 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: FAIRWINDS REFRIGERATION, 702 Stanford Avenue, Salinas, CA 93901. County of MONTEREY Registrant(s): FAIRWINDS REFRIGERATION AND HVAC LLC, 702 Stanford Avenue, 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. FAIRWINDS REFRIGERATION AND HVAC LLC S/ Angel Camacho, Managing Member, This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 10/11/2023. 10/27/11/3,11/10,11/17/23 CNS-3745217# CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: Oct. 27, Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023. (PC 1036)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231926 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MJ ORGANIC FARMS, 1700 Old Stage Rd, Salinas, CA 93908. Mailing address: 28 Villa St, Salinas, CA 93901 Registered Owner(s): PATRICIO ZARAGOZA LOPEZ, 28 Villa St., 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 Oct. 19, 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/Patricio Zaragoza Lopez Date signed: Oct. 19, 2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 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 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: Oct. 27, Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023 (PC 1037)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

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to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/Leila Turturici Date signed: Oct. 20, 2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 20, 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: Oct. 27, Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023 (PC 1038)

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CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA, CALIFORNIA NOTICE INVITING BIDS for SUNSET CENTER AND HARRISON MEMORIAL LIBRARY PAINTING PROJECTS Notice is hereby given that the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea is soliciting bids from qualified Contractors for work including but not limited to: 1. Sunset Center a. Exterior painting: North wing of building only, as shown in drawings; All paint colors to match existing. Hazmat (Asbestos abatement/mitigation and Lead Paint mitigation/encapsulation). 2. Harrison Memorial Library a. Exterior painting: All paint colors to match existing; Hazmat Lead Paint mitigation/encapsulation. b. Additive Bid Item: Interior painting. Includes moving and storage on site of furniture and art work. All paint colors to match existing; Hazmat Lead Paint mitigation/encapsulation The contract and bidding documents are available at http://ci.carmel.ca.us (under the tab “I Want to Submit a Bid or Proposal”) See Part V: Specifications, Divisions 02, 09, and 20 of the project manual, and Project No.2022-065 drawings titled SUNSET CENTER BUILDING EXTERIOR PAINTING PACKAGE and HARRISON MEMORIAL LIBRARY BUILDING INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR PAINTING PACKAGE, dated 4/24/23 by Ten Over Studio, Inc. This project will be managed by Ausonio, Inc. Construction Management under contract with the City. City buildings are historic and will be occupied during the project. Contractor parking and laydown areas will be available off-street at Sunset Center, and on-street at Harrison Memorial Library. Where on-street parking and laydown are required, parking passes will be provided by the City at no cost to the Contractor. BASIS OF AWARD: The City reserves the right to award TWO SEPARATE CONTRACTS for these projects. Award of Contract(s), if any be made, shall be made to the Contractor(s) with the lowest responsive, responsible bid(s) for each of the two projects listed in the Bid Schedules, based on the Total Base Bid (Items 1 through 3). If one Contractor is the lowest responsive, responsible bidder on both projects, a single contract will be awarded for both projects. An Optional Site Tour is scheduled for 2:00 pm on Thursday, November 9, 2023 starting at Sunset Center on San Carlos Street, followed by meeting at Harrison Memorial Library at the corner of Ocean Avenue and Lincoln Street, Carmel-by-the-Sea. This conference will allow bidders to receive an overview of the Contract. All contractors are required to visit the site prior to the bid and must submit the Site Visit Certification form found in Appendix A: Bid Forms for Submittal with their bid. Questions regarding this solicitation are to be directed to Diane Miller, Project Manager, at diane@ausonio.com. All questions must be in writing, submitted via email by Friday, November 17, 2023 at 5:00 PM. Responses will be posted by Addendum on the City website at http://ci.carmel.ca.us by 5:00 PM on Tuesday, November 28, 2023. Bids will be publicly opened at the City Hall Council Chambers, located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, at 2:00 PM on Tuesday, December 5, 2023. Bids received after the stated deadline will be returned unopened. Bids must be accompanied by a ten percent (10%) bid bond, certified check, or cashier's check payable to "City of Carmel-by-the-Sea." Bid bonds shall be in original form and executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety. At the time of the bid opening, the successful Bidder must be legally entitled to perform Contracts requiring a California C-33 Painting and Decorating Contractor's License. Per Sections 1725.5, 1771.1, 1771.3, and 1771.4 of the Labor Code, this project is subject to prevailing hourly rate of per diem wages for this locality and project and compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. All Contractors and Subcontractors shall be listed in the bid proposal, subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code, and shall be currently registered to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5 of the Labor Code. Publication date: Oct. 27, 2023 (PC1020)

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# The Carmel Pine Cone

Section 2

## As playoff time approaches, athletes cultivate the seeds of dreams

**GLORY DAYS**, they'll pass you by — but there's no time like the present for those who play fall sports at Carmel, Stevenson, and Santa Catalina. The Central Coast Section playoffs are on the doorstep for volleyball, field hockey, and golf athletes, and playoff time is approaching fast for athletes in water polo, cross country, football and tennis.

Here's a preview of how the postseason is shaping up for the best teams at our local schools:

**Girls volleyball:** Central Coast Section officials convened Thursday to determine where teams will be seeded in six divisions (1-5, plus Open Division) in girls volleyball, which launches its quarterfinal round Saturday at the site of the higher-seeded school.

Carmel is likely to compete in the Division 4 bracket, where the Padres can expect a lofty seed and a home game. Stevenson is likely to be rated as a legitimate contender in the Division 5 tournament, and is also likely to open at home.

Both teams had exceptionally strong finishes to their regular seasons.

Through Tuesday of this week, Carmel was 11-2 (sec-

offs by winning 18 of its last 20 behind setters Grace Von Schack and Megan Lee, attacker Ava Edwards, middle blockers Lucia De Marignac and Gina Da Silva, and defensive standout Taylor Onitsuka.

**Field hockey:** Field hockey teams will be seeded on Sunday for their CCS playoffs, which begin Monday at the home venue of the higher-rated schools.

Hollister clinched the league title with a 7-0-1 record — the draw was a 0-0 match at Santa Catalina on Oct. 6 — and 10-3-1 overall finish. Their title run also included a 1-0 win over Carmel on Oct. 20. Stevenson (7-1, 9-7) secured second place in the PCAL on Tuesday with Macey Torres' goal in a 1-0 victory over third-place Carmel (7-3-1, 5-2-1), earning an opening-round bye at CCS.

Three PCAL teams were selected for CCS in 2022, so the Padres also should be in the 2023 bracket on Monday.

Carmel made local history last fall, becoming the first school to advance past the opening round of the CCS field hockey playoffs, which have been dominated by San Jose-area teams.

**Girls golf:** The CCS girls golf championships will be played Tuesday at Laguna Seca Golf Ranch, where the Stevenson Pirates are hoping to win the fourth sectional championship in school history, joining the 2000, 2004 and 2007 teams in that rarified air. Their secondary goal is to place among the top three in the final team standings, which would automatically qualify the full squad for the NorCal Championships.

Stevenson junior Nikki Iniakov looms as one of the favorites to capture individual medalist honors, but any of three teammates — freshman Lucinda Wu, sophomore Coco He or junior Michelle Wang — could also challenge if they find a hot hand.



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Riley Imamura (left) and Caroline Byrne (right) helped Carmel volleyball to a second-place Gabilan Division finish this season.

The Pirates placed third in the 2022 team standings — pleasing because they qualified all six players for the NorCal tournament, but also disappointing because they didn't satisfy their own expectations and win the CCS tournament.

Carmel sophomore Megan Ikemiya has recorded nine-hole rounds of even-par and 1-over this season, which could put her the mix as an individual NorCal qualifier if she can duplicate that performance over 18 holes on a challenging golf course.

**Water polo:** Stevenson's girls not only won the CCS Division 2 championship a year ago, but also advanced to the NorCal Division 3 finals, where they lost 11-10 to

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## Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

ond only to 12-1 Salinas in the Pacific Coast League's Gabilan Division), and 17-5 overall. Assuming the Padres defeated a subpar King City team on the road on Wednesday, the Padres will carry an 18-5 record into the post-season, including a nine-match winning streak. They have gone 14-1 since Sept. 26, led by setter Cindy Moreau, and hitter/blockers Caroline Byrne and Riley Imamura.

Last year's Carmel team reached the semifinals of the CCS Division 4 tournament.

Stevenson (20-4) charged toward the Division 5 play-

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# SPORTS

From previous page

Woodcreek, a road game in Roseville. This year's team emerges from another unbeaten Pacific Coast Athletic League season (7-0) after extending the school's league winning streak to 34 straight, and hopes to achieve another NorCal berth at CCS. Teams will be seeded on Tuesday, and opening-round games will be played Nov. 4.

The Pirates finished a 17-4 regular season led by Emmerson Ferreira (75 goals) and Miranda Salinger (68) — the top two scorers in the PCAL — goalkeeper Anna Mitchell, whose 147 saves ranked her second overall, and defensive stalwarts Siena Cimoli (49 steals), Arielle Dale (45), and Ferreira (42).

Stevenson's boys (14-9 overall) also completed league play with a 7-0 record (culminating with an 8-7 conquest of a formidable Carmel team on Oct. 19), and figure to contend again in the CCS Division 2 tournament. The Pirates were eliminated in the semifinal round of last year's playoffs, losing an 11-10 heartbreaker to Soquel.

Leaders for Stevenson included sophomore Laird Welch, who ranked second in the PCAL statistics with 72 goals, and goalie Tate Escher was No. 2 in the league in saves with 129.

League runner-up Carmel (6-1 PCAL, 15-7 overall) also is likely to get a Division 2 sectional berth.

**Cross country:** A talented Carmel team hopes to contend for both the boys and girls titles at the Pacific Coast Athletic League cross country championship on Saturday at Palo Corona Regional Park (located on Carmel Valley Road, at the former site of Rancho Cañada Golf Club). Runners from 29 schools will compete in four divisions at the meet, a final tune-up for the CCS Championships, which are scheduled Nov. 11 at Crystal Springs.

Carmel is expected to battle Alisal and Hollister for the girls team championship, led by junior Ava Ghio, sophomore Lila Glazier, freshman Delilah Herro, and senior Sara Eyjolfsson.

And the Padres also hope to contend for the Gabilan boys crown, battling Alisal, King City, and North County, led by juniors Mack Aldi and Zachary Lander, and freshmen Jasper Bolante and Emerson Knight.

Stevenson, which will compete in the Mission Division at PCALs, is led on the boys side by juniors Alessandro De Leo and Will Kernan, and on the girls side by junior Amy Rong and senior Scarlett Ingram. Santa Catalina, a Cypress Division school, has been paced this year by freshman Marina Hurtado, senior Giselle Rubio, and sophomore Maggie Zeng.

**Football:** Pacific Grove's back-to-back losses in the Mission Division South have chipped some of the luster off the 76th renewal of the showdown for The Shoe, the football trophy awarded annually to the winner of the game between the Breakers and archrival Carmel Padres.

Both teams were 6-0 after Week Six of the 2023 season, but a much-anticipated battle of the unbeaten (7:30 p.m. Nov. 4 at PG) evaporated over the past two weeks when Pacific Grove was hammered 50-6 by North Salinas on Oct. 13, then lost again Friday, 49-21, to Alisal. Meanwhile, first-place Carmel won 50-20 Saturday at King City (a game the Padres led 43-0 at



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Junior Emmerson Ferreira leads Stevenson's playoff-bound water polo team in goals (97) and assists (29), and ranks third on the squad in steals (55).

halftime) to improve to 8-0.

The Padres will try to stay perfect Saturday on their home field, facing Soledad (2-6, 1-3 in the division) in a game that kicks off at 2 p.m. P.G. will attempt to rebound Friday night, traveling to King City (3-5, 1-3).

CCS quarterfinals will begin for the Padres on Nov. 11 with a home game.

**Girls tennis:** After winning the PCAL's Gabilan Division crown with a 10-0 record (14-3 overall), Stevenson's girls hope to make an impression at this year's CCS Team Championships, which begin Nov. 6.

The Pirates' best singles records belong to juniors Lynn Fu (13-1 at No. 1 singles) and Katrina Bauer (4-3 at No. 2), along with senior Ashley Barsamian (13-1) and sophomore Delara Gholami (9-3), and their best doubles teams have been Cici Li and Jessie Chen (6-4 at No. 1), sophomores from China, and seniors Mia Schlenker and Sophie Sparano (9-2).

Singles standouts for second-place Carmel (8-2, 14-3) have been sophomore Margarita Soffia (9-1) and junior Gia Panetta, and the Padres best tandem has been junior Ruby Myrold and freshman Meya Lin (8-0).

Santa Catalina won five of its last six matches to finish with a 6-6 overall record, 6-4 in the Gabilan Division.

The individual CCS tournament begins Nov. 13. *Dennis Taylor is a freelance writer in Monterey County. Contact him at scribelaureate@gmail.com.*



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Talent-rich Stevenson, led by junior Nikki Iniakov, expects to contend for the CCS golf crown on Tuesday.

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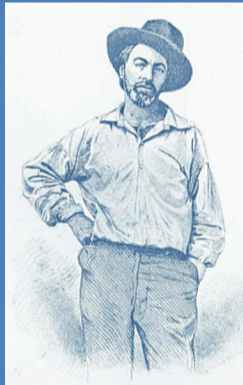
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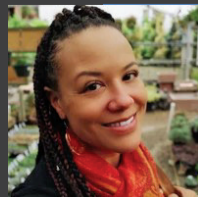
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# This Week

Live Music,  
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## ENDURING BAND CELEBRATES MILESTONE, EMBASSY SUITES HOSTS JAZZ JAM

EMBASSY SUITES in Seaside hosts its final jazz jam of the year Sunday at 1 p.m. The hotel's house band includes saxophonist **Stu Reynolds**, pianist **Kevin McCullough**, bassist **Steve Uccello** and drummer **Martin Binder**.

"Stu, Kevin, Steve and Martin will get things cooking for a few tunes, but then we want to get the jam session going," co-host and drummer **Jim Vanderzwaan** told The Pine Cone. "**Lee Durley** and I encourage our local musicians to drop in to play a few tunes. The more the merrier. If you are a regular, here's your chance to showcase new songs our jazz fans haven't heard you do."

The musicians will also honor the late **Richard Helsten**, who was a founding

The band serves up an "up-tempo danceable gumbo of New Orleans-influenced, blues-inspired party music." They'll be joined by special guests throughout the show. "We are going to journey through the growth of the band and revisit some songs from our six CDs," said founder and leader **Gil Rubio**.

Tickets are \$10. Deja Blue is located at 500 Broadway.

### They write the songs

Shining a spotlight on those who write music, the Monterey County Composers' Forum returns to Hidden Valley Music Seminars in Carmel Valley Sunday at 3 p.m.

The lineup of composers features **Richard Carr**, **Jose Chaidez**, **Alejandro Gatica**, **Paula Kaiser**, **Julie Roseman**, **Carleton Macy**, **Edward Moncrief**, **Douglas Ovens**, **Dale Victorine**, **Rick Yramategui** and **Alexander Shchetynsky**. Musicians include violinist **Tien-Hsin Cindy Wu** and others.

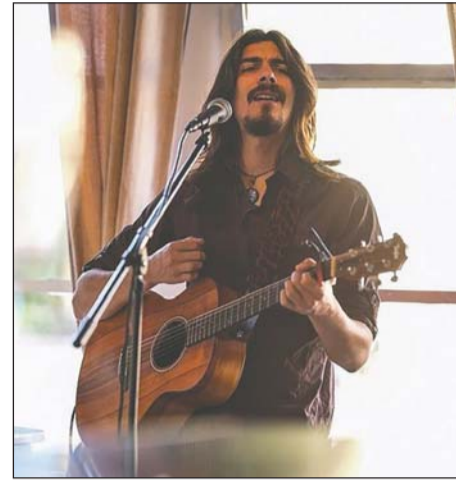
Tickets are \$15. Hidden Valley is located at 104 West Carmel Valley Road.

### Nothing but voices

An a cappella group that got its start on the campus of Indiana University 25 years ago, **Straight No Chaser** performs Sun-



A choral group that was founded on the campus of Indiana University, Straight No Chaser (left) performs Sunday afternoon at Sunset Center. Zack Freitas (right) plays Saturday morning at the Intercontinental Hotel in Monterey.



day, 3 p.m., at Sunset Center.

The group flirted with fame in 1998 when a video of their humorous take on "The 12 Days of Christmas" went viral. They've been winning over audiences ever since. "Get an early start to the holiday season with a medley of Christmas classics and pop standards," suggests Sunset Center's **Annelise Nussbacher**.

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### Fleetwood Mac tribute

Led by singer **Linda Moody**, who

plays Stevie Nicks, and singer and guitarist **Owen Adair Kelley**, who portrays Lindsey Buckingham, San Francisco-based **Fleetwood Macrame** pays tribute to the music of Fleetwood Mac Saturday, 8 p.m., at Golden State Theatre in Monterey.

Tickets start at \$23. The theater is located at 417 Alvarado St. Call (831) 649-1070 or visit goldenstatetheatre.com.

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## On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

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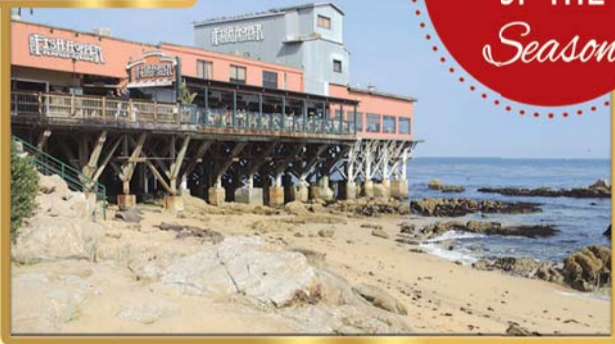
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of France’s Burgundy region. Many years later, Richard Graff purchased the property and put Chalone on the wine map with his third-place win in the famous Judgment of Paris tasting. Nine renowned French wine judges tasted white Burgundy against California chardonnay (and Bordeaux against California cabernet sauvignon). Of the 10 whites tasted, Chalone’s came in third, after Chateau Montelena of Napa and one

French white Burgundy. California wines were not widely known at the time and certainly not considered equal in quality to French wines. The tasting put Chalone and a few other California wineries on the world stage.

### Soup to Nuts

a beautiful drive to the winery, but rather a pain to get to.” The latter is no longer an issue. Although the vineyards will continue to be high up in the Gabilan Mountains, near Pinnacles National Park and the base of the winery’s namesake Chalone Peak, there will be a tasting room in Carmel Plaza starting Nov. 20, in the former Hahn Family wine space.

Grapes were first planted in the Chalone area by a Frenchman in the late 19th century, who thought the spot was reminiscent

**Bagpiper**  
Carmel resident and longtime winemaker Greg Freeman took the reins as Chalone’s winemaker in 2021. You might know Freeman as the Sunset Bagpiper of Carmel Beach, a tradition he began during the pandemic. He also continues the tradition of creating exceptional Chalone wines. Most will be offered for tasting at the new location. Try them all, but I highly recommend the chardonnay, pinot noir, and grenache. If you are looking for something fun for your Thanksgiving dinner, grab several bottles of the chenin blanc, as it’s perfect as an aperitif and should please all your guests. — RL

### Legally baked, fried and sold

Monterey County has decriminalized your kitchen. Talented home chefs and off-duty pros have quietly hosted underground (paid) dinner parties in their homes for decades — always at risk of being arrested and charged with a misdemeanor — but last month, the board of supervisors voted to opt into a state program allowing home cooks to legalize their makeshift restaurants.

“People have been doing this for a long time,” chair Louis Alejo observed at the Sept. 19 meeting. “Around here, in Salinas, with things like tamales, it’s always better when they can get a license to do it legally and get the training and know what the rules are.”

In 2019, California legislators passed and subsequently amended the law allowing home cooks to legally make and sell perishable foods to serve onsite, deliver or offer to go. Restrictions include having no more than one employee in addition to family and household members, serving no more than 30 meals per day or 90 meals per week, and earning no more than \$100,000 in gross revenues annually. Home chefs must also sell their food the day they make it.

The ideas behind the microenterprise home kitchen operation program, referred to as MEHKO, are to support the farm-to-table movement and to create more economic opportunities for people who don’t have the means to open a full-scale restaurant.

#### Checklist

Filing an application, which should soon be available on the Monterey County Environmental Health webpage, will cost



Chalone Vineyards, the oldest-producing vineyard in the county, is bringing its tasting room down from the mountains and into Carmel.

\$588 and require an initial inspection for cleanliness and other measures. Permit holders will undergo annual inspections — scheduled in advance — thereafter.

Kyler Asato, who works in the county’s environmental health division, told media earlier this month that chefs who apply for the permits will also have to provide a list of standard operating procedures showing “how they ensure the food stays safe to consume,” including “how it will be cooked and stored, proper handwashing and proper sanitizing of equipment.”

The new program is different from the

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Comanche Cellars and several other businesses on Alvarado Street in Monterey are offering Halloween-themed specials and events this week.

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I was going to dinner one night while on vacation recently and saw the Market across the street from the restaurant. I went in and was blown away by the variety. I went back the next day and got a “build your own sandwich” with turkey. It was amazing and huge so be prepared to eat only half. You do need to know the ordering process but someone will help you if you are not sure. Also had some of the fresh squeezed orange juice - delicious. Got deviled eggs and 2 large kosher dills as well. If I lived in Carmel I would be a regular.  
- Suanne M. Lodi, CA

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# FOOD & WINE

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cottage kitchen permits the county already issues to bakers, candymakers and other artisans who make jams and jellies, breads and cakes, toffee and other shelf-stable products in their home kitchens to sell off-site. Those permits do not allow the production and sale of highly perishable foods and do not authorize people to sell their goods from home.

While applications are already being accepted, they're not yet available online, so anyone interested in obtaining one should call (831) 755-4505. — MS

## Crunchy sauerkraut snacks

Central Coast Foods recently launched Kraut Krackers, a snack. Officially known as Central Coast Juicery, the company started with cold-pressed juice production in 2014 and is expanding to natural food products. The company uses locally sourced, high-quality ingredients with minimal processing to create nutrient-dense foods. Its original Kraut Krackers are made

with four ingredients — purple cabbage, beets, flax seed and pink Himalayan salt — with other flavors in development.

The crackers offer several health benefits, said general manager Maximilian Breall. "They are made with whole plant ingredients and are high in fiber. Americans chronically under-eat fiber and a high-fiber diet promotes gut health."

Further, the crackers are fermented, enhancing the flavor and nutrients, and are gluten-free, vegan and keto-friendly. They can be found locally at Elroy's Fine Foods in Monterey, Cornucopia Community Marketplace in Carmel Rancho, and Staff of Life in Santa Cruz. Their products are also available to order online with local delivery three times a week. Learn more at [juicelocally.com](http://juicelocally.com). — SB

## Winemaker's crush on Sleepy Hollow

Focused, determined and extremely good at what she does — meet Kamee Knutson, Talbott Winery's new winemaker who is making seriously good wine.

Becoming a winemaker wasn't always her passion. In fact, Knutson began her college career as an architecture student at CalPoly — a difficult university to get into and one of few that requires incoming freshman to choose a major before they apply. While she was a student, the school opened up a major in viticulture and enology. She transferred, graduated

and never looked back.

Much of her 20-year winemaking career has been in the San Luis Obispo region, but she always had her eye on what she considered "the prize" — working with Talbott's Sleepy Hollow Vineyard in the Santa Lucia Highlands. According to Knutson, "I've been following the Sleepy Hollow vineyard for a long time and absolutely loved the flavor profiles present in the grapes. But the fruit was all estate, used only by the winery and not sold to other producers, so I could never get my hands on it." At least, not until recently. A winemaker position opened up at Talbott and Knutson didn't hesitate. "Sleepy Hollow is the perfect expression of place, especially for chardonnay and pinot noir, with its cool climate and long growing season." It also offers her the ability to make several different styles of wines from the same vineyard.

Depending on when and from what part of the vineyard the grapes are harvested, she can produce chardonnays with wide varieties of flavor profiles, from citrusy,



Central Coast Foods in Monterey has launched a tangy sauerkraut-flavored snack cracker.

with flavors of lemon curd, to poached pear, baked apple, and quince flavors. The

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Kamee Knutson is the new winemaker at Talbott Vineyards, but her love affair with the fruit from Talbott's Sleepy Hollow vineyard is longstanding.

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## FOOD

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same is true of the pinot noirs.

Knutson's goal is for consumers to experience the full range of wines, from light to intense, that Sleepy Hollow can produce and for them to fall in love with the vineyard, just like she has.

Visit Talbott's tasting room in downtown Carmel for a truly elevated tasting experience. The 2019 Sleepy Hollow chardonnay and the 2019 Sleepy Hollow pinot noir are highly rated and perfect for your Thanksgiving feast. Serve the chardonnay with appetizers and the pinot noir with the turkey, cranberry sauce and stuffing. And for a gift for yourself, purchase a bottle each of Fidelity chardonnay and pinot noir (\$90 and \$100 respectively) for your cellar. They won't disappoint! — RL

## ■ Dogs, wine, pumpkins, costumes

Pumpkin Carving and Pinot will be back at Sovino Wine Bar Oct. 28 to 31 at 7 p.m. The wine bar will provide all carving materials, a pumpkin, and a glass of wine or draft beer of your choice for \$30. The wine bar is at 241 Alvarado St. in Monterey. Visit [sovinowinebar.com](http://sovinowinebar.com) for more info and to register.

Just up the street at 412 Alvarado, Comanche Cellars Wine Room is hosting a Halloween costume contest for dogs and their owners Oct. 31 from 4 to 8 p.m. Costumed humans are invited to "enjoy free snacks and a splash of wine." The contest is at 6 p.m., with prizes for the three best costumes.

Finally, head toward the water to Peter B's Brewpub in the Portola Hotel and Spa at the foot of Alvarado Street for a free "Halloween Spooktacular" on Saturday. From 4 to 11 p.m., enjoy "Franks & Steins" while DJ Fredo spins tunes. Wear a costume to get a \$5 food voucher for the

evening's festivities. The menu includes specials on mini corn dogs and Diablo Ghost Chili Burgers, \$4 pints of selected beers, as well as candy for the little ones (while it lasts). Call (831) 649-2699 for more details. — EH

Sally Baho, Elaine Hesser, Roxanne Langer and Mary Schley contributed to this week's column.

## MUSIC

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celebrate Halloween (rock and blues, Saturday at 7 p.m.). There will be a costume contest with prizes. Dolores and Eighth, Carmel.

**Barmel** — singer and guitarist **Kyle Kovalik** (Sunday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Chris Jamez** (Thursday at 6 p.m.). In Carmel Square at San Carlos and Eighth.

**Bernardus Lodge & Spa** in Carmel Valley — pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Anne Sibley** (Saturday at noon), pianist **Michael Culver** (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Pete Sibley** (Sunday at noon). 415 W. Carmel Valley Road.

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

**Bulldog Sports Pub** in Monterey — **Tribe in the Sun** presents a weekly Community Jam (Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.). 611 Lighthouse Ave.

**Carmel Farmers Market** — singer and guitarist **Dan Cioper** (Thursday at 10 a.m.). Mission and Sixth, Carmel.

**Cibo** restaurant in Monterey — **The Dave Holodiloff Duo** (bluegrass and jazz, Sunday at 7 p.m.), singer **Lee Durley** and singer and pianist **Scotty Wright** (jazz, Tuesday at 7 p.m.), singer **Miranda Perl** and guitarist

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Singer and guitarist Dan Cioper plays Thursday mornings at the Carmel Farmers Market at Mission and Sixth.

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# Rio Road history mural will be preserved, post office says

RESPONDING TO a rumor that a striking mural that's painted on the south-facing side of the post office at Rio Road and Via Nona Marie could be removed, a spokesperson with the U.S. Postal Service confirmed that the mural, which is partially covered with vegetation, will be preserved.

"We are currently seeking to remove the vegetation that is blocking the view of the mural," Meiko Patton of the Postal Service told The Pine Cone. "Additionally, we're consulting a local muralist regarding its condition."

That's good news, according to one

you're cleaning your clothes.

For more than a decade, owner Loni McCallum's husband, Kevin, has decorated the busy business, which is located at 709 Lighthouse Ave. But this year, she hired a handful of students from the Youth Arts Collective, a Monterey group that mentors young artists.

"They went crazy for three or four days," McCallum said. "We have every square inch decorated, and it's pretty horrific."

Besides witches, ghosts, bats and jack-o-lanterns, the laundromat is now home to a 7-foot wolf, a 6-foot alien, numerous skeletons, the creepy twin girls from "The Shining," and the killer doll, Chucky. "We have all kinds of crazy stuff," she said.

People are encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes when they wash their clothes, and McCallum is handing out gift cards to those with the best costumes.

The laundromat will no doubt be a popular stop at the 11th annual downtown Pacific Grove Trick or Treat celebration Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

local artist. "I'm happy to see they're preserving it," said Carmel Valley painter Paola Berthoin.

The mural includes a variety of scenes that depict local history, including Native Americans above Carmel Bay, a stagecoach in motion and studio artists at work.

It's unclear when the mural was created, but it's been there for at least two decades. It was done by a group called the Monterey One Voice Project, which was affiliated with the Monterey County Summer Youth Employment Training Program.

The project was founded by the late Joseph Werner, according to his obituary, which also noted that he was blind. "The project included the creation of numerous well-known murals by young people throughout Monterey County as a tribute to history, people, places and events of the county," the obituary noted.

### ■ YACsters transform laundromat

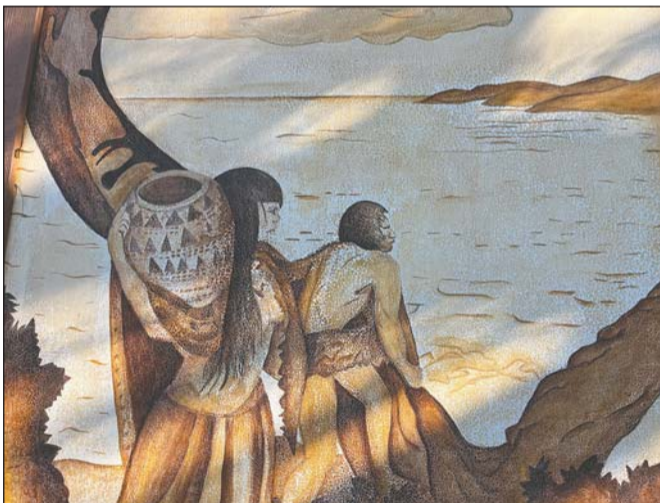
Decorating for Halloween has captured the imagination of people everywhere in recent years, including at Sudz Cyber Laundry in Pacific Grove, where all sorts of scary things promise to spook you while

### ■ 'Visual Texture' at Venture Gallery

For the month of November, Venture Gallery in Monterey showcases the latest work of painter Cheryl Kampe. A Pacific Grove resident who paints landscapes, seascapes and still lifes, Kampe continues to push the boundaries of her creativity — as her exhibit, "Visual Texture," attests.

"I find that exploring new subjects and media ignites my passion and creativity for my artwork," The artist explains. "My latest series, 'Visual Texture,' uses oil and cold wax on canvas and wood panels. I layer oil and cold wax, carving back to create patterns and reveal colors below the surface. This technique produces a texture of the overall painting and also uncovers surprising details as you look closer."

The downtown gallery at 260 Alvarado St. is open daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.



This scene is just part of a mural that's located on the south-facing side of the post office at Rio Road and Via Nona Marie.



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S/ LUIS GUSTAVO RUIZ ROBLES, County of Monterey  
Date signed: Oct. 13, 20, 27, Nov. 3, 2023. (PC 1008)

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: Oct. 13, 20, 27, Nov. 3, 2023. (PC 1008)

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY**

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, ANTHONY RAY LESCH, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
**A. Present name: ANTHONY RAY LESCH**  
**Proposed name: ANTHONY REZA HOMAMI**  
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**NOTICE OF HEARING:**  
DATE: Nov. 17, 2023  
TIME: 8:30 a.m.  
DEPT: 14  
The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.  
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel, CA.  
(s) Carrie M. Panetta  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Date filed: Oct. 2, 2023  
Publication Dates: Oct. 13, 20, 27, Nov. 3, 2023. (PC 1010)

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S/Stuart Shankle, President  
Date: October 2, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on October 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).  
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S/Hope B. Jenkins  
Date signed: Oct. 3, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 3, 2023.  
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State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
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S/Maria Razumich-Zec, President  
Date: Sept. 22, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 6, 2023.  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20231769

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **SOLEPAD ACE HARDWARE, 900 Front Street, Soledad, CA 93960.** Mailing address: **P.O. Box 88, Soledad, CA 93960.** County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY  
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **ALCANTAR ACE HARDWARE, 900 Front Street, Soledad, CA 93960**  
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
This business is conducted by a corporation.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Sept. 19, 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/Maria Alcantar-Aceves, CFO  
Date: Sept. 29, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 29, 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,

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20231817

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **VM PLASTERING, 18852 Parsons Rd., Castroville, CA 95012.** Mailing address: **P.O. Box 1316, Marina, CA 93933.** Registered Owner(s): **VICTOR GERARDO MENDIETA ZARATE, 18852 Parsons Rd., Castroville, CA 95012.** This business is conducted by an individual  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Oct. 2, 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

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/Victor Gerardo Mendieta Zarate  
Date signed: Oct. 4, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 4, 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).  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20231724

Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**1. SOUNDSCAPE PRODUCTION**  
**2. AMOEBA MUSIC**  
**4125 Arroyo Trail, Carmel, CA 93923** Registered Owner(s): **ROBERT STARKS RICH, 4125 Arroyo Trail, Carmel, CA 93923.** This business is conducted by an individual  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 9, 1985.  
**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/Robert Starks Rich  
Date signed: Sept. 27, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 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: Oct. 13, 20, 27, Nov. 3, 2023 (PC 1015)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20231770

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**Continental Food Safety Services, 709 Canal St., King City, CA 93930,** County of Monterey  
Registered Owner(s): **Jaime Carrillo Brambila, 709 Canal St. King City, CA 93930**  
This business is conducted by an Individual  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable  
S/ Jaime Carrillo Brambila  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 09/29/2023  
10/20, 10/27, 11/3, 11/10/23  
**CNS-3742133#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publicatio Dates: Oct. 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10, 2023. (PC 1016)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20231845

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **PEGGY'S HOMECARE, 851 Munras Ave., Monterey, CA 93940-3111** Mailing address: **P.O. Box 223164, Carmel, CA 93922.** County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY  
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **PEGGY DAY ENTERPRISES, INC., 851 Munras Ave., Monterey, CA 93940-3111.** State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
This business is conducted by a corporation.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 16, 2009.  
**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/Margaret A. Heneks, President  
Date: Oct. 10, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 10, 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: Oct. 13, 20, 27, Nov. 3, 2023. (PC 1017)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20231843

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **PIXELS GRAPHIC DESIGN, 730 Lighthouse Ave., Monterey, CA 93940.** Registered Owner(s): **KEVIN COURTNEY SMITH, 730 Lighthouse 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 June 1, 2011.  
**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

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20231818

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **COAST CONSTRUCTION, 9940 Eddy Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.** Registered Owner(s): **MARK EDWARD PORTER, 9940 Eddy Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.** This business is conducted by an individual.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 10, 2002.  
**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/ Kevin Smith  
Date signed: Oct. 10, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 10, 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: Oct. 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10, 2023 (PC 1018)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20231759

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **COAST CONSTRUCTION, 9940 Eddy Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.** Registered Owner(s): **MARK EDWARD PORTER, 9940 Eddy Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.** This business is conducted by an individual.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 10, 2002.  
**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/Mark Porter  
Date signed: Sept. 27, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 27, 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: Oct. 27, Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023 (PC 1019)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20231859

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **SKIMLITE MFG, 1518 Moffett Street, Suite E., Salinas, CA 93905.** County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY  
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **ROBERT CONRAD INC 1518 Moffett Street, Suite E, Salinas, CA 93905.** State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
This business is conducted by a corporation.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 6, 1954.  
**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/James Conrad, President  
Date: Oct. 11, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 11, 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).  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20231868

Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **CARMEL COAST REALTY, 10651 Hidden Mesa Place, Monterey, CA 93940.** Mailing address: **P.O. Box 221352, Carmel, CA 93922.** County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY  
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **CARMEL COAST ESTATE INC, 10651 Hidden Mesa Place, Monterey, CA 93940.** State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
This business is conducted by a corporation.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 28, 2020.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code 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/ Joseph K. Sennish, CFO  
Date: Oct. 11, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 11, 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

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20231843

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **PIXELS GRAPHIC DESIGN, 730 Lighthouse Ave., Monterey, CA 93940.** Registered Owner(s): **KEVIN COURTNEY SMITH, 730 Lighthouse 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 June 1, 2011.  
**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

et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
Publication Dates: Oct. 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10, 2023. (PC 1021)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20231755

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**1. BROWNHOUSE DESIGN**  
**2. HOME BY JULIE BROWN**  
**3446 The Barnyard, Unit D21, Carmel, CA 93923.** County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY  
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **BROWNHOUSE DESIGN INC, 164 Main Street, Los Altos, CA 94022.** State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
This business is conducted by a corporation.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 2014.  
**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 Brown, CEO  
Date: Sept. 27, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 27, 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).  
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**NOTICE TO BIDDERS BID NO. 23-04**  
**For the Pavement Improvement Project At Robinson Canyon Rd and San Clemente Trail in the Santa Lucia Preserve**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Board of Directors of the Santa Lucia Community Services District ("District") hereby calls for sealed bid proposals to be received by the Director of Operations of the District, at the Gate House, One Rancho San Carlos Road, Carmel, California 93923 on or before Friday, **Friday, November 10, 2023** at 10:00 am U.S. Pacific Time Zone, verified at [www.time.gov](http://www.time.gov).

Description of Work: These bids shall cover all the furnishing of all labor, material, equipment, mechanical workmanship, transportation and services which are required for **construction of pavement improvement on the Santa Lucia Preserve.** The work generally includes, but is not limited to, AC repair for approximately 9,400 sq ft to be verified in the field on San Clemente Trail between Robinson Canyon Road and 11 San Clemente Trail. Some digouts and grinding will be needed, with grindings staying on property and cut outs being hauled off, and other items that are required within standard specifications or the Invitation to Bid. Bids are required for the entire work described in the Bid Documents.

Contractor's License Requirement. The bidder and all subcontractors of the bidder shall possess a valid California contractor's license issued by the Contractor's State License Board ([www.cslb.ca.gov](http://www.cslb.ca.gov)) for the type(s) of work they are proposing to perform at the time the bid is submitted. The bidder shall possess at a minimum the following California contractor's license Class A or C-12. *The Contractor must be properly licensed as a contractor from contract award through contract acceptance (California Public Contract Code §10164). When the Contractor submits its bid to the District, the Contractor must list each Subcontractor whom the Contractor must disclose under Public Contract Code Section 4104 (Subcontractor Listing Law), and provide all required information.*

Contractor Registration Requirement. Pursuant to California Labor Code Section 1771.1(a), a contractor or subcontractor shall not be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code or engage in the performance of any contract for public work, as defined in this chapter, unless currently registered and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5. To register, go to: <http://www.dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/PublicWorks.html>

Bidding Procedures. Bids must be made on a proposal form which is included with the contract specifications and must be signed by the bidder and accompanied by a deposit in the amount shown on the Bidder's Bond which is part of the Proposal and sealed within a bid envelope. The bid envelope is to be addressed to:

"Sealed Bid - Bid No. 23-04 - San Clemente Trail, Santa Lucia Community Services District, Attn: Director of Operations David Simpson, Gate House, One Rancho San Carlos Road, Carmel, California 93923."

The deposit may be cash, cashier's check made payable to the District, certified check made payable to the District (certified without qualification and drawn on a solvent bank of the State of California or a National Bank doing business in the State of California), or bid bond executed by an admitted surety insurer, made payable to the District, or the bid will not be considered. This deposit is to serve as agreed liquidated damages should the party or parties to whom the contract is awarded fail to enter into the contract after the award or fail to give the bond required for the faithful performance of the contract or fail to furnish any other bond required by law.

At 10:00 am November 10, 2023 the Bid Proposals will be taken by the Director of Operations of the District and opened and publicly read by him or his authorized representative. All bids received after this time will be returned unopened. The bids, together with a report of the bidders and the respective amounts of the bids, will be presented to the Board of Directors of the Santa Lucia Community Services District on Tuesday, November 14, 2023.

The successful bidder shall furnish a performance bond and a payment bond.

Questions. Direct any questions to: Director of Operations David Simpson Santa Lucia Community Service District One Rancho San Carlos Road Carmel, CA 93923 831-620-6772 dsimpson@santaluciapreserve.com

Obtaining **SCHEDULE** and **CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS** may be obtained by contacting the Director of Operations. Each bidder shall furnish the District with the name, address, and telephone number of the firm requesting specifications. It is the bidder's responsibility to regularly check for any addenda that may be issued prior to the bid opening date. Failure to acknowledge receipt of an issued addendum will be cause for a submitted bid to be deemed non-responsive. The Plan Holders' List is available by contacting the District.

Addenda. Any addenda issued prior to the bid opening shall constitute part of the Contract Documents. Subject to the limitations of Public Contract Code Section 4104.5, District reserves the right to issue addenda prior to bid time.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and any or all items of such bids and to waive any informality or irregularity in any bid but if the bids are accepted, the contract for the improvement will be let to the lowest responsible bidder for the Project.

Date of Publication: October 20th, October 27th & November 3rd, 2023

By order of the Board of Directors of the Santa Lucia Community Service District.  
Santa of California  
Forrest Arthur General Manager

Publication dates: Oct. 20, 27, Nov. 3, 2023 (PC 1026)

**LEGALS DEADLINE: Tuesday 3:00 pm**  
email: [legals@carmelpinecone.com](mailto:legals@carmelpinecone.com)



# LIVE

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**Adam Astrup** (jazz and swing, Wednesday at 7 p.m.). 301 Alvarado St.

**Cuz's Sportsman's Club** in Seaside — **60 East** (rock, reggae and hip-hop, 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.), guitarist **Richard Devinck** (classical, Sunday at 6 p.m.), singer **Lee Durley** and pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). Lincoln and Seventh, Carmel.



Singer and guitarist Casey Wickstrom plays rock and blues Saturday at the Terrace Lounge in Pebble Beach.

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

**Dust Bowl Brewery** in Monterey — singer and guitarist **Jacob Gonzales-Butorac** (Sunday at 1 p.m.). 290 Figueroa St.

**Estéban Restaurant** in Monterey — guitarist **Catherine Broz** (Spanish music, Friday and Saturday at 5:30 p.m.), guitarist **Robert McNamara** (classical and jazz, Monday at 5:30 p.m.). 700 Munras Ave.

**Fernwood Resort** in Big Sur — **Wooster** (rock, Saturday at 10 p.m.). 47200 Highway 1.

**Folktale Winery** in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Al James** (Friday at 4 p.m.), **Two Rivers** with singer **Richard Bryant** and guitarist **Kyle Kovalik** (pop and

rock, Saturday at 4 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Casey Wickstrom** (rock and blues, Sunday at 2 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

**Gusto Pasta and Pizza** in Seaside — singer **Nina Hazdi-Antichn** and guitarist **Brice Albert** (jazz, Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). 1901 Fremont Blvd.

**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** — singer and guitarist **Fred McCarty** (Friday at 6 p.m.), **Andrea's Fault Duo** (jazz and blues, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 1 Old Golf Course Road.

**The Inn at Spanish Bay** in Pebble Beach — pianist **Bill Spencer**, bassist **Joe Dolister** and drummer **Andy Weis** (jazz, Friday at 7 p.m.), pianist **Gary Meek**, bassist **Joe Dolister** and drummer **Andy Weis** (jazz, Saturday at 7 p.m.), **The Andy Weis Trio** (jazz, Thursday at 7 p.m.). 2700 17 Mile Drive.

**Intercontinental Hotel** in Monterey — singer and guitarist **Dan Cortes** (Friday at 7 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Zack Freitas** (Saturday at 9 a.m.), mandolinist **Dave Holodiloff** (bluegrass and jazz, Saturday at 7 p.m.), guitarist **Terrence Farrell** (Latin music, Sunday at 9 a.m.). 750 Cannery Row.

**Julia's Vegetarian Restaurant** in Pacific Grove — singer and guitarist **Rags Rosenberg** (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kevin Smith** (Saturday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (Thursday at 6 p.m.). 1180 Forest Ave.

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

**The Links Club** — **The John Michael Band** (pop and rock, Saturday 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 Next Blues Band** (Saturday at 2 p.m.), **The Brad Wilson Band** (rock and blues, Sunday at 2 p.m.). 1120 Lighthouse Ave.

**The Lodge at Pebble Beach** — singer and guitarist **Kip Allert** (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Casey Wickstrom** (rock and blues, Saturday at 6 p.m.). In the Terrace Lounge at 1700 17 Mile Drive.

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

**Midici Pizza** in Monterey — **The Billy Jones Trio** with guitarist **Bruce Forman**, bassist **Doug Pohorsky** and saxophonist **Paul Contos** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.), **The Stu Reynolds Saxtet** with guitarist **Adam Astrup**, bassist **Zach Westfall** and drummer **Mike Shannon** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.) 467 Alvarado St.

**Mission Ranch** — singer and pianist **Maddalaine Edstrom** (jazz, Friday through Sunday at 5 p.m.), pianist **Gennady Loktionov** (jazz, Monday through Thursday at 5 p.m.). 26270 Dolores St., Carmel.

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## Celtic Music Series at St. Mary's

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**Oct. 29** – **The Monterey County Composers' Forum** presents "Entanglements." Works by Richard Carr, Jose Chaidez, Alejandro Gatica, Paula Kaiser and Julie Roseman, Carleton Macy, Edward Moncrief, Douglas Ovens, Alexander Shchetynsky, Dale Victorine and Rick Yamategui. Guest performers Tien-Hsin Cindy Wu, Igor Poklad. 3 p.m. at Hidden Valley, 104 West Carmel Valley Road; \$15. Info: [macy@macalester.edu](mailto:macy@macalester.edu)

**Oct. 31** – **Don't miss the 5th Halloween on the Wharf at Old Fisherman's Wharf** from 4 to 7 p.m. with trick or treating, a costume contest with cash prizes, photos ops with all of the holiday decor and more. Fun for all ages! [www.montereywharf.com](http://www.montereywharf.com)

**Nov. 4** – Come to a "Shower of Love" to benefit under-resourced infants born at local hospitals from 10 a.m. to noon at the MacMahon Center at the Carmel Mission, 3080 Rio Road, Carmel, hosted by the Christ

Child Society of Monterey Bay. Learn more and RSVP online on the events page at [www.christchildmontereybay.org](http://www.christchildmontereybay.org).

**Nov. 3** – "American Indian Voices" presented by Poet Laureate Georgina Marie Guardado, 5:30 p.m. A part of PGPL's Fall Exhibition, "Ourselves We Sing" running through Jan 5. Visit [pacificgrovelibrary.org](http://pacificgrovelibrary.org) for more.

**Nov. 5** - **The Carl Cherry Center** presents, "It's Just a Lifetime," a delightfully offbeat documentary about **Craig Nuttycombe**, a once local Carmel Valley singer/songwriter, who very nearly topped the charts. Following the film will be a Q and A with the filmmakers, a catered intermission and a live concert with Craig and Duane English (both from the band, "Café Musique") 2 to 4:30 p.m. At Fourth & Guadalupe in Carmel. Tickets are \$25 and are available at [carlcherrycenter.org](http://carlcherrycenter.org) or by calling (831) 624-7491.

**Nov. 12** – **St. Mary's** hosts Celtic duo **Sumaia Jackson and Colin Cotter**. Doors open at 2:30 p.m. for the 3 p.m. concert. Purchase tickets at [www.celticsociety.org](http://www.celticsociety.org). For more info, call or text (831) 224-3819. St. Mary's is at 12th Street and Central Avenue, Pacific Grove. Libations and snacks will be available for purchase.

**Nov. 12** – **Pacific Brass Band**, a British-style brass band, will perform classic concert, marches and pop shorts at 5:30 p.m. at Hidden Valley Music Seminars in Carmel Valley Village. Donations appreciated. To learn more, visit [www.pacificbrassband.org](http://www.pacificbrassband.org)

**Nov. 20** – the **World Affairs Council of the Monterey Bay Area (WACMB)** will present a lecture / luncheon at the Hilton Garden Inn, 1000 Aguajito Road, Monterey. The topic is "Whither the Dollar: Exorbitant Privilege No More?"; presented by Barry Eichengreen, Professor of Economics and Political Science, University of California, Berkeley. Visit <http://www.wacmb.org> or event information and registration.

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**O'Callaghan's Pub** — singer and guitarist **Dave "Nomad" Miller** (Friday at 6 p.m.). In The Barnyard shopping center.

**Pearl Hour** in Monterey — **The Zach Westfall Group** (jazz, Sunday at 8 p.m.), **The Ben Herod Trio** (jazz, Wednesday at 8 p.m.). 214 Lighthouse Ave.

**Puma Road at Portola Plaza** in Monterey — **The Smoky Vegas Project** ("classic lounge," Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Blaise DiGirolamo** (Saturday

at 6 p.m.), guitarist **Glenn Bell** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.) 281 Alvarado St.

**Rio Grill** — singer and guitarist **Kevin Pfeffer** (Friday at noon), **Andrea's Fault Duo** (jazz and blues, Saturday at noon), singer and guitarist **Dan Cortes** (Sunday at noon). Crossroads shopping center.

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

**Salty Seal Pub** in Monterey — **Mixtape** (pop and rock, Friday at 8 p.m.), **The Transducers** (rock and funk, Saturday at 8 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kyle Kovalik** (Thursday at 7 p.m.). 653 Cannery Row.

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**Tarpy's** in Monterey — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Rory Lynch** (Sunday at noon). 2999 Highway 68.

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**Escrows closed: 23**  
**Total value: \$45,369,500**

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### Camino del Monte, SE corner of San Carlos Street — \$1,715,000

Jeff Winningham and Caren Hicks to Paul and Maryellen Ahlborn  
 APN: 010-391-017

### 2931 Alta Avenue — \$2,550,000

Michael and Amy Stone to Jerry and Melinda Roles  
 APN: 009-102-028

### Casanova Street, 7 NW of Ocean Avenue — \$10,700,000

Casanova Pines LLC to Peridot & Sapphire LLC  
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## Carmel Valley

### 3850 Rio Road unit 85 — \$800,000

Matthew Mueller to Sam Hakim and Tahra Goraya  
 APN: 015-532-037

### 294 Hacienda Carmel — \$855,000

Diane Dell Armo to Stephanie Ruskell and Adrienne Otis



2931 Alta Avenue, Carmel — \$2,550,000

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### 12395 Saddle Road — \$1,160,000

Adele Shiells to Anthony and Katelyn Ivancich  
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### 11575 Rancho Fiesta Road — \$1,650,000

Kellie Campayno to Jerry Senderov  
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## OPEN HOUSE SAT 12-3

## 118 ENOS DR, SALINAS (X-ST RIVER RD)



Nestled just off scenic River Rd, 4-bed/2.5-bath haven, approx. 2,326 SF. Quality updates in this single-story ranch, with the chef's kitchen, stainless appliances, walk-in pantry, custom cabinets, and a large island. Dining area beckons through French Doors to the outdoors. Great room features a cozy gas fireplace and windows framing picturesque garden views. Primary suite is bathed in natural light, boasting a jetted tub, separate shower, a study area, and a private patio. Outside, the property unfolds into three distinct spaces: garden, orchard, and a charming patio. The Xeriscape garden showcases native drought-tolerant plants. Practicality meets convenience with two storage sheds and RV gate with hookups. Additional amenities include central vac, double-pane windows, and soft water. **\$1,175,000**

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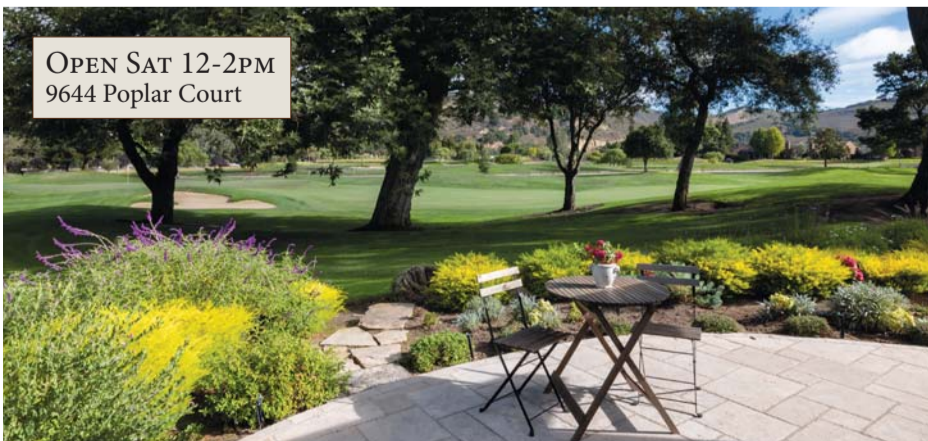
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# Bad news got you down? Try reading biblical-style reporting for relief

‘IF IT bleeds, it leads’ is a journalistic idiom with a long history. These days there is so much chaos in the world that reading a story in last week’s The Pine Cone about an albino killer whale in Monterey Bay was a pleasant respite.

Fear-based news preys on the anxieties we all have.

## Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVASE

I certainly don’t mean to criticize all the attention being paid to the horrific Hamas invasion of Israel or the seemingly never-ending war in Ukraine, but it’s also important to maintain a sense of equilibrium throughout the chaos.

Much of today’s news is fear-based. It has two aims. The first is to grab your attention. The second is to

persuade you that the way to alleviate any anxiety caused by the news will be found in the article. “What’s in your tap water that YOU need to know about?” Your first thought might be to corner the market on bottled water. Even though there is nothing wrong with the tap water, the story is designed to raise your concern.

Fear-based news and tabloid journalism may have originated when Moses hawked the Heavenly Herald from the heights of Mt. Sinai. “Extra, Extra! Read all about it! Ten new rules to dampen the fun of frolicking around the desert for 40 years.”

### Early climate change

The expression “There is nothing new under the sun” comes from the Bible (Ecclesiastes 9:1). It got me thinking about how some biblical stories might appear if reported in today’s journalistic style. Here are some examples.

**Society maven succumbs to salt:** The wife of a prominent Sodom resident, a pillar of Sodom society, is now a

pillar. Mrs. Edith Lot died today from ingesting copious amounts of sodium. She had been repeatedly warned about her cravings for fluffy matzo balls and honey-roasted locusts. “I kept after her all the time,” her husband said. “I even told her she could turn into salt if she didn’t stop.” Investigations into her death have determined her salt content was definitely kosher and not iodized.

**Fear-mongering entrepreneur predicts climate change:** A wealthy animal-loving transportation mogul named Elon Noah is being investigated for disseminating false information about what he calls a “two-month down-pour” he predicts will wipe out huge portions of the world. Citing eons of sunny weather, one climatologist branded him a climate denier and called him a crackpot because it hasn’t rained for ... well ... for forever. Noah is famous for his wind-powered arks that require no camel dung or other fossil fuels to propel them. He has been criticized

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## POLICE LOG

From page 4A

verbal dispute on Del Fino Place.

**Carmel area:** Elderly subject assisted at the Crossroads mall.

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Fall on city property on San Carlos Street.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Officers responded to a report of a bat inside a house on Monterey Street. The house was sectioned off until the animal control officer responded the next day to assist.

**Pacific Grove:** Suspicious circumstance on Sloat Avenue.

**Pacific Grove:** Subject on Forest Avenue said his sketches were misplaced or stolen within the last one-and-a-half years. The person did not have an estimate of the value.

**Carmel area:** Subject on Carmel Rancho Lane wished to report a suspicious circumstance when an employee was fired.

See SHERIFF page 11RE

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Found ring at Mission and Ocean brought to the station pending location of the owner. If the owner is not located, the finder wishes to claim the property.

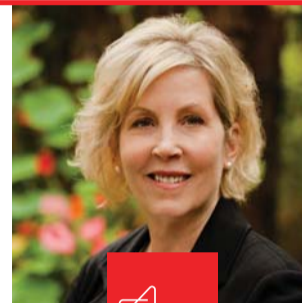
**Pacific Grove:** Mutual combat on Ridge Road.

**Pacific Grove:** Suspicious circumstances on Lighthouse Avenue.

**Carmel Valley:** Subject was reported missing in the morning from a Schulte Road address. Subject was located in the afternoon. Case closed.

**Big Sur:** Trespassing/vandalism reported on Highway 1.

**Carmel Valley:** Deputies responded to a



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# SHERIFF

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**Carmel Valley:** Subject on Calle de la Ventana had property stolen.

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 9

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A dog was running loose and knocked over a person while playing with other dogs at Carmel Beach.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Santa Rita Street resident stated he was defrauded online.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Dog-vs.-dog incident on Dolores south of Seventh.

**Pacific Grove:** Dispute between roommates on Lighthouse Avenue resulted in the damage of a cellular telephone.

**Pacific Grove:** A vehicle check at Esplanade and Ocean View resulted in the driver being arrested for a misdemeanor warrant. The 46-year-old female was issued a noticed to appear and released.

**Pacific Grove:** Abandoned vehicle on Syida Drive

marked for 72 hours.

**Pacific Grove:** Informational report regarding inappropriate video shared by youth football players.

**Carmel area:** Deputies responded to the report of a theft from a supermarket at the Crossroads.

**Carmel area:** Lost property documented on Rio Road.

**Carmel area:** Resident at the Crossroads was referred to the hospital for a psychiatric evaluation.

**Carmel area:** Deputies determined a subject at the Crossroads was a danger to others and placed him on a 5150 hold.

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10

**Carmel area:** Emergency crews responded to person who was not conscious at a residence on Viejo Road. The person was pronounced dead at the scene.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Mental health evaluation at Lincoln and Eighth at 0446 hours.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A 58-year-old male was arrested at Sixth and San Carlos for felony sexual battery and booked into Monterey County Jail on \$30,000 bail.

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# Sales Prices Remain High, While Areas Across the Peninsula Fight for Inventory

The Monterey Peninsula had a busy summer beginning with the first ever US Women's Open in July and continuing through a very successful Concours d'Elegance in August. Over the last three months, demand for real estate remained high and while inventory has improved, the number of available homes for sale on the Peninsula remains almost 60% below inventory of 2019 and the years prior.

Real estate sales, sales volume and pricing performance varied meaningfully by area this quarter. Overall, the nine markets we track on the Monterey Peninsula experienced an increase in total dollar volume over Q2 of 2023 and saw the second highest average sales price we have experienced in years. This performance was driven by an exceptional quarter in Carmel-by-the-Sea, where the number of sales increased over 50% above the previous quarter and the same quarter last year. Moreover, there were a few significant sales including the record sale of The Butterfly House, helping drive the average sale price in Carmel to \$4.2M.

Other markets did not fare as well. Pebble Beach

for example, saw only 16 sales for a total of \$58.5M in volume this quarter, both of which were the lowest in Pebble Beach over the last 12 quarters. This slowdown was driven by fewer high-end sales, with only three homes sold in the quarter for more than \$5M. Currently, 16 of the 29 active listings in Pebble Beach are listed for over \$5M.

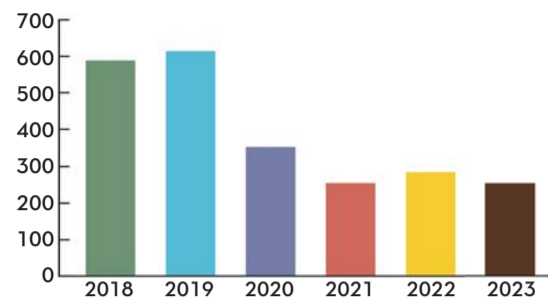
The market on the Peninsula is normalizing into a healthy balance and performing better than most markets across the country. After an extraordinary spike in home values coming out of Covid, our market experienced a much smaller reduction in Real Estate values than most of the country. Across the entire market, we estimate that the reduction in values over the second half of 2022 and into the early months of 2023 was somewhere in the 9% range. Now, with prolonged limited inventory and continued demand, it appears that in several of our markets this reduction in value has already evaporated. Average prices for homes in many of our neighborhoods are already back to the peak levels we saw late in 2021, and in some markets like Carmel, it is even higher.

There are several macro-economic and geo-po-

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Inventory Data End of Q3 by Year

- Current active listing inventory is **down 59%** vs. 2019
- Peak inventory this year **maxed out at 265** in August

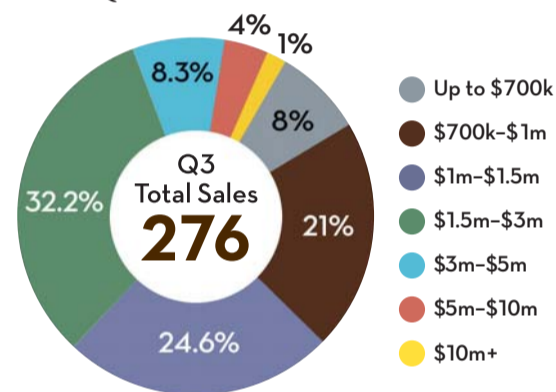


litical issues that will continue to impact the real estate market over the next several quarters. However, given the strong desire to live in our amazing community, we expect our market to continue to outperform others and believe that sales, sales volume, and price will remain healthy for the rest of this year and into 2024.

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## Q3 2023 SALES BY SEGMENT



	SALES BY SEGMENT							TOTAL VOLUME SOLD			AVAILABLE LISTINGS Q3 END		
	Up to \$700K	\$700k-\$1M	\$1M-\$1.5M	\$1.5M-\$3M	\$3M-\$5M	\$5M-\$10M	\$10M+	Q3 2023	Q2 2023	Q3 2022	Q3 2023	Q2 2023	Q3 2022
Carmel-by-the-Sea	0	0	2	18	14	8	2	\$184,973,000	\$93,640,131	\$92,720,144	27	34	20
Carmel Area (93923)	0	1	4	6	2	0	0	\$27,444,125	\$21,999,355	\$28,367,000	14	11	18
Carmel Highlands/Big Sur	0	0	1	1	2	2	0	\$22,931,000	\$31,900,000	\$37,920,500	20	14	21
Carmel Valley	4	9	8	19	2	0	1	\$79,565,788	\$94,638,850	\$92,076,000	55	53	51
Marina	9	21	13	2	0	0	0	\$35,141,983	\$35,023,910	\$36,734,999	18	32	36
Monterey Area	0	10	20	12	1	0	0	\$65,459,130	\$74,894,816	\$70,840,225	48	40	46
Pacific Grove	0	2	10	16	2	0	0	\$53,375,342	\$49,516,155	\$74,233,754	18	19	25
Pebble Beach	0	1	1	11	0	1	2	\$58,537,500	\$63,772,000	\$105,888,820	29	30	38
Seaside	8	14	9	4	0	0	0	\$34,784,394	\$25,632,109	\$32,295,510	20	23	30
<b>Totals</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>\$562,212,262</b>	<b>\$491,017,326</b>	<b>\$571,076,952</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>285</b>

	MEDIAN SALES PRICES			AVERAGE SALES PRICES			DAYS ON MARKET			NUMBER OF SALES		
	Q3 2023	Q2 2023	Q3 2022	Q3 2023	Q2 2023	Q3 2022	Q3 2023	Q2 2023	Q3 2022	Q3 2023	Q2 2023	Q3 2022
Carmel-by-the-Sea	\$3,075,000	\$3,125,000	\$2,600,000	\$4,203,932	\$3,468,153	\$3,311,434	58	37	34	44	27	28
Carmel Area (93923)	\$1,620,000	\$1,649,000	\$1,425,000	\$2,111,087	\$1,692,258	\$1,891,133	55	31	21	13	13	15
Carmel Highlands/Big Sur	\$3,775,000	\$1,550,000	\$3,150,000	\$3,821,833	\$6,380,000	\$3,792,050	56	78	82	6	5	10
Carmel Valley	\$1,500,000	\$1,530,000	\$1,615,000	\$1,850,367	\$1,785,639	\$1,959,064	53	49	47	43	53	47
Marina	\$835,000	\$854,000	\$849,500	\$949,783	\$972,886	\$874,643	27	30	32	37	36	42
Monterey Area	\$1,187,500	\$918,750	\$1,050,000	\$1,258,829	\$1,134,770	\$1,288,004	35	25	29	52	66	55
Pacific Grove	\$1,599,500	\$1,496,503	\$1,382,500	\$1,779,178	\$1,547,380	\$1,546,537	22	30	23	30	32	48
Pebble Beach	\$2,607,500	\$2,740,000	\$2,500,000	\$3,658,594	\$3,751,294	\$3,921,808	28	48	26	16	17	27
Seaside	\$875,000	\$708,000	\$730,000	\$993,840	\$854,404	\$768,941	38	35	36	35	30	42
<b>Totals</b>										<b>276</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>314</b>

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	TEN-YEAR MEDIAN SALES PRICE										1-Year Change	10-Year Change
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 YTD		
Carmel-by-the-Sea	\$1,650,000	\$1,550,000	\$1,607,500	\$1,700,000	\$2,000,000	\$1,875,000	\$2,200,000	\$2,750,000	\$3,000,000	\$3,070,000	2.3%	86.1%
Carmel Area (93923)	\$1,025,000	\$869,000	\$1,065,000	\$1,050,000	\$1,297,500	\$1,225,000	\$1,450,000	\$1,550,000	\$1,700,000	\$1,620,000	-4.7%	58.0%
Carmel Highlands/Big Sur	\$2,200,000	\$1,857,500	\$1,685,000	\$1,937,500	\$1,597,500	\$1,775,000	\$2,645,000	\$2,375,000	\$3,709,000	\$2,987,500	-19.5%	35.8%
Carmel Valley	\$762,500	\$836,000	\$950,313	\$937,000	\$1,000,000	\$950,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,450,000	-3.3%	90.2%
Marina	\$417,500	\$442,500	\$490,000	\$537,200	\$599,000	\$639,000	\$675,000	\$792,000	\$849,000	\$849,450	0.1%	103.5%
Monterey Area	\$595,000	\$610,250	\$656,500	\$722,500	\$772,000	\$740,000	\$850,000	\$930,000	\$1,050,000	\$1,042,500	-0.7%	75.2%
Pacific Grove	\$700,000	\$780,000	\$800,000	\$886,500	\$889,750	\$958,000	\$980,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,390,000	\$1,502,500	8.1%	114.6%
Pebble Beach	\$1,420,000	\$1,378,750	\$1,525,000	\$1,575,000	\$1,557,500	\$1,767,950	\$2,100,000	\$2,795,000	\$3,150,000	\$2,607,500	-17.2%	83.6%
Seaside	\$356,000	\$405,000	\$445,000	\$495,000	\$525,000	\$540,000	\$593,500	\$700,000	\$757,000	\$750,000	-0.9%	110.7%



# GERVASE

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by local authorities for failing to obtain permits from the planning commission to build larger and larger arks. He also ignored a restraining order issued to prevent him from keeping pets in areas not zoned for animals. When questioned, Noah said, "I just want to create a safe space for my family and pets."

**Missing man turns up under suspicious circumstances:** A man reported missing from the Mediterranean city of Joppa turned up in Nineveh, more than 500 miles away, three days later. Jonah, an itinerant preacher, told authorities that he traveled inside the belly of a whale.

Jonah said he was on a ship that sailed into a huge storm. Crew members blamed him for the maelstrom and threw him overboard, where a whale swallowed him. When asked how he could survive three days in the whale's stomach, Jonah said, "First of all, you really gotta like krill."

**Bad cat joke**

**Bodybuilder newest member of Hair Club for Men:**

A noted strongman living in the part of Canaan dominated by Philistines is no longer wreaking havoc among his tormentors. A local influencer named Samson, (no last name given) who once slew 1,000 Philistines with the jaw bone of a congressman, lost his strength when the delicious Delilah sheared his curly locks, the source of his power.

"The Philistines have had it in for me ever since I set all their crops on fire," Samson said. He has been irritating the Philistines with jocular barbs such as, "Why don't Philistines go to the beach? Because cats keep trying to bury them in the sand."

"I'm not stopping with the jokes," Samson added. "Once my hair comes back, I have a routine that will bring the house down."

So there you have it, a short respite from, "if it bleeds, it leads." Keep on reading The Pine Cone and don't miss the Real Estate section where, "If your property shows well, it will sell."

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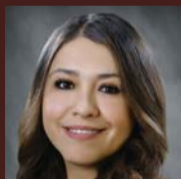
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**7028 Valley Greens Circle — \$3,225,000**

Denise Zofcin to Stanley Pearlman  
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## Highway 68

**25949 Deer Run Lane — \$1,200,000**

Ian and Celia Mayes to Deborah and Hugo Cazares  
APN: 416-311-010

## Marina

**16531 Alexander Lane — \$800,000**

Eric and Andrea Shefflette to Joon and Laura Choi



1053 The Old Drive, Pebble Beach — \$2,575,000

APN: 031-166-066

**2772 Telegraph Blvd. — \$907,000**

Shea Homes LP to Kurtis and Jane Stenderup  
APN: 031-259-028

**2770 Telegraph Blvd. — \$927,000**

Shea Homes LP to Jacob and Alina Bagley



2930 Lupin Lane, Pebble Beach — \$2,925,000

APN: 031-259-027

**252 9th Street — \$936,500**

Shea Homes LP to Derek Tattersall  
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Enter The Pine Cone's smart, tasteful and good-looking readers (we're just guessing about that, but after all, you know some excellent dermatologists who'll look after your skin, not to mention dentists to whiten your teeth, hairdressers, manicurists and places to build a fabulous wardrobe). They're not like your neighbors; they are your neighbors. And there will be a link to this year's winners right on The Pine Cone's home page, so you can find them anytime.

We don't know the exact recipe that makes a Golden Pine Cone winner, but it seems to be a combination of excellent customer service, high-quality work and products, a generous ladle of empathy, a quart or two of personal care and a few pounds of attention to detail.

That means sharp-eyed landscapers who spot signs of the dreaded oxalis before it takes over the yard, medical practitioners who know you well enough to notice something isn't quite right, chefs who don't remove favorite items from the menu just to be trendy (but who will leave the lemon off the fish if you ask) — these are the kinds of people who make local businesses that work and whose services become sought after.

So, here's this year's list, in all its glory. After more than a thousand of you voted, the results were carefully compiled. We know who to call to get the stains out of your best tie, help you book that trip to New Zealand, mix a martini that would make James Bond proud or restack the rocks to move your stone wall to the right side of the property line. And now, you do, too.

Once again, we proudly present The Golden Pine Cones.

## FOOD AND WINE

- Best Neighborhood Market
- Best Butcher
- Best Deli

**Bruno's Market & Delicatessen** — NE Junipero and Sixth — 6:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily — (831) 624-3821, [brunosmarket.com](http://brunosmarket.com)

Fermin and Ryan Sanchez' Bruno's Market has been a downtown institution for decades and wins praise from Pine Cone readers every year. With all the items you might hope to find at a local market — freshly baked bread from small bakeries, the best hot sauces in a variety of flavors, locally made jams and gourmet ice cream, to name a few — Bruno's is everything a corner store should be. Considering its convenient downtown location and easy parking, it's the ideal spot to pick up necessary supplies, picnic items, local wines and sweets, and its deli is famous for turning out freshly made, delicious — and gigantic — sandwiches made to order. Also voted Best Butcher, Bruno's carries top-grade beef, choice cuts of pork and other prime meats, high-quality seafood and other items for the grill, stovetop or oven, and will custom cut anything when needed. Carmelites, as well as the city's many visitors, always appreciate being able to find exactly what they need at Bruno's.

## ■ Best Fruits and Vegetables

**Farmers Markets** — [oldmonterey.org](http://oldmonterey.org), [montereybayfarmers.org](http://montereybayfarmers.org), [everyonesharvest.org](http://everyonesharvest.org), [wcfma.org](http://wcfma.org), [ci.carmel.ca.us/farmers-market](http://ci.carmel.ca.us/farmers-market)

In a region where there's a farmers market almost every day of the week, Pine Cone readers know where to find the

best fruits and vegetables (not to mention eggs, pasta, cheese, yogurt, nuts, meats and other staples, pastries and bread, prepared foods and plants). Del Monte Center hosts the popular Friday market that had been held at Monterey Peninsula College for decades (8 a.m. to noon in a lot near California Pizza Kitchen), where customers can expect to find the greatest number of farmers and other producers. A market takes over Alvarado Street in downtown Monterey on Tuesdays from 4 to 8 p.m. (4 to 7 p.m. in winter) and has plenty of products and crafts for sale, too. Pacific Grove presents a Monday afternoon market on Central Avenue from 3 to 7 p.m. Other markets are held on Thursdays at Sixth and Mission in downtown Carmel from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and, new this year, from 3 to 7 p.m. in Laguna Grande Park in Seaside, and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 215 Reservation Road in Marina and at Mid Valley Center in Carmel Valley. Seasonal markets take place at the Barnyard at the mouth of the valley on Tuesday mornings and at Del Monte Center in Monterey on Sunday mornings May through September.

## ■ Best Seafood Market

**Sea Harvest Fish Market & Restaurant** — 100A Crossroads Blvd., Carmel, and 598 Foam St., Monterey — open daily, check location for hours — (831) 626-3626 and (831) 646-0547, [seaharvestfishmarketandrestaurant.com](http://seaharvestfishmarketandrestaurant.com), [facebook.com/seaharvestmontereyca](https://facebook.com/seaharvestmontereyca)

Capitalizing on the abundance of the Pacific and local waters — and a demand for high-quality seafood — Sea Harvest opened three decades ago and added restaurants soon after. The markets in Monterey and at the Crossroads boast the best fresh fish and shellfish every day, from locally famous Dungeness crab and sand dabs, to halibut, sushi-grade tuna, locally caught squid, and a wide range of other sustainably

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harvested bounty from the sea. The market's knowledgeable staff will help you select the best and freshest choices, and will offer cooking tips, too, if needed. The owners also recently opened a fish market in Moss Landing at 7537 Sandholdt Road, bringing their services back to North County.

### ■ Best Bakery

**Rise + Roam** — NE Mission and Seventh — 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily — (831) 574-2900, [riseandroamcarmel.com](http://riseandroamcarmel.com)

Rise + Roam changed hands this year, with founder Greg Ahn selling it to friend Xanthia Decaux and her partner, Steve Abraham. The duo relocated here a few years ago and purchased Revival Ice Cream on Alvarado Street in Monterey in 2021, and are now the proud owners of both institutions. Staying on through the switch is executive pastry chef Jes-

sica Haney, who can be counted on to turn out sinfully delicious sweet and savory pastries, as well as breads. It would be difficult to say which item won readers' hearts, because it could be the smoked salmon tartine with fromage blanc, the delicate puff pastry filled with an egg and gruyere cheese, the croissants, cinnamon rolls, muffins, cookies or even the gluten-free goodies, not to mention the cookies, cakes and other treats that appear in the cases after the morning pastries are sold out.

### ■ Best Bread

**Ad Astra Bread Co.** — 479 Alvarado St., Monterey — 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily — [info@adastrabread.com](mailto:info@adastrabread.com), [adastrabread.com](http://adastrabread.com)

Pastry chef Ron Mendoza quickly became well known locally years ago for his creations at upscale Aubergine in L'Auberge Carmel and went on to launch the hugely popular Ad Astra Bread Co. — his "micro bakery focusing on natural leavened sourdough breads." The bakery "is committed to using all-organic flours to create Old World style sourdoughs

over a two-day bake process," he says, and the sourdoughs are "mixed, hand portioned and shaped, and allowed to slowly ferment overnight," with baking taking place the next day. Daily offerings include Seaside sourdough, olive and seeded sourdoughs, French baguettes and focaccia, but Ad Astra also turns out sweet and savory specials each day, from cardamom rolls and bread pudding to doughnuts and pretzels. After operating out of Other Brother Beer on Broadway for several years, Ad Astra relocated to the main drag in Old Monterey, and its products can also be found at local farmers markets, stores and restaurants.

### ■ Best Caterer

**Jeffrey's** — 112 Mid Valley Center, Carmel Valley — (831) 624-2029, [jeffreysgrillandcatering.com](http://jeffreysgrillandcatering.com)

A longtime presence in Carmel Valley, Jeffrey's can be relied on to provide the best for any occasion, whether for a large party or a small one — literally, two people to 500. Locals know they can count on this mid-valley go-to for the very important task of providing beautiful food and excellent service at any site, including the restaurant, which can be rented for private parties. Customers can even cater their own events with the "secret chef" option — order an array of entrees and desserts (including homemade ice cream) and pick them up using your own casserole dishes. A presence in the valley for nearly three decades, Jeffrey's operates a popular restaurant, sells highly addictive spiced nuts, and is extremely capable of meeting every catering need, with plenty of emphasis on fresh, local ingredients and just the right dishes for any occasion, all of which explains why it took Best Caterer again this year.

### ■ Best Wine Store

**Total Wine & More** — 808 Playa Ave., Sand City — 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday — (831) 920-0154, [totalwine.com](http://totalwine.com)

Since opening its first Monterey Peninsula location in the Sand Dollar Shopping Center in late 2021, Total Wine & More has strived to make its mark here, offering an ever-expanding selection at reasonable prices, hiring informed and helpful staff, and participating in local events. Clearly, those efforts have paid off, at least when it comes to winning Pine Cone readers' hearts. The chain was started in 1991 by brothers David and Robert Trone, who opened their inaugural store in Delaware. Since then, they've added more than 225 locations focusing on "unbeatable prices and unrivaled service from our expertly trained staff." Their store here, though small compared to most, carries 8,000 wines, 4,000 spirits and 2,500 beers, and contains a climate-controlled wine room for rare offerings and a walk-in humidor for fine cigars. Online ordering is available, easy and convenient, too, and the stock changes frequently, so customers should keep an eye out for their favorites.

### ■ Best Tasting Room

### ■ Best Monterey County Cabernet Sauvignon

**Twisted Roots Vineyard** — 12 Del Fino Place, Carmel Valley — noon to 5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday — (831) 594-8282, [twistedrootsvineyard.com](http://twistedrootsvineyard.com)

For the couple and the friends who own Twisted Roots, which has a tasting room in Carmel Valley Village, making wine is joyous work, and they strive to make every visit a warm, fun and top-shelf experience.

Founded by third-generation wine growers based in Lodi, Twisted Roots was incorporated more than a decade ago and is owned by gregarious and affable Josh and Julie Ruiz and their friends. In addition to its popular cabernet sauvignon, which is soft and fruit-forward, but not heavy like many other cabs, Twisted Roots produces chardonnay, petite sirah, zinfandel from the family's century-old vines, sparkling rosé and dry hard apple cider.

### ■ Best Monterey County Chardonnay

### ■ Best Monterey County Sauvignon Blanc

**Bernardus** — 5 W. Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley — noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, 12:30 to 4 p.m. Monday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, reservations available at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. for up to 12 tasters, walk-ins accommodated based on availability — (831) 298-8021, [bernardus.com](http://bernardus.com)

Bernardus may have changed in look and feel after its new Dutch owners took over several years ago at the behest of the winery's late founder, Ben Pon, but the wines are as reliable as ever. Longtime winemaker Dean DeKorth retired this year, turning the reins over to highly capable Jim McCabe, who has also been on the team for many years. Again this year, the winery's sauvignon blanc and chardonnay took top honors in the Golden Pine Cones, and it should be no surprise. The sauvignon blanc, made with grapes grown by Michael Griva in Arroyo Seco, is bright and crisp, but far less grassy than most, with notes of citrus and white peach, while the chardonnay is perfectly balanced with acidity, richness and depth.

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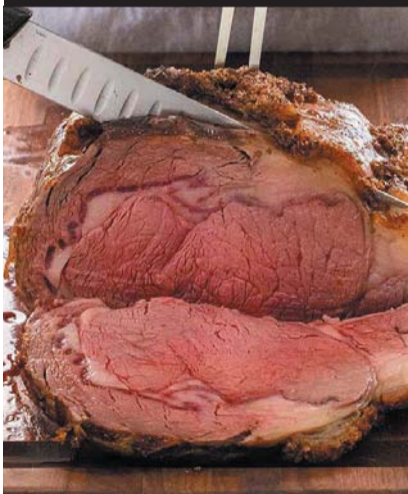
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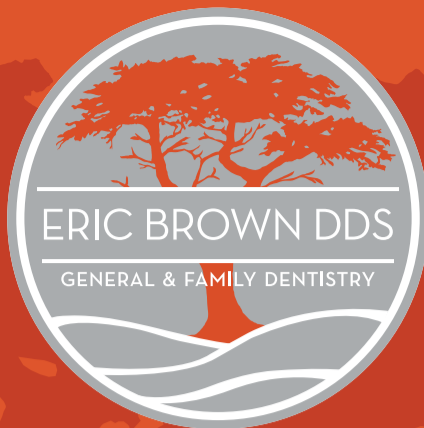
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**Best Monterey County Rosé**

**Dawn's Dream Winery** — NW San Carlos and Seventh — 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, noon to 7:30 p.m. Friday, noon to 6:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday — (831) 659-2649, dawnsdreamwinery.com

In Monterey County, numerous wineries produce rosés from a wide range of varietals — though most are made from pinot noir grapes — and once again, Dawn's Dream has emerged as the favorite among Pine Cone readers. Owned by Dawn Galante, the winery produces a dry rosé that offers bright citrus notes and juicy hints of fresh berries — and goes with just about everything. A winner annually for nearly a decade, the rosé is often sold out, but this year, as luck would have it, the wine is still in stock at \$38 per bottle. The winery is socially conscious, too, as Galante founded it with a mission of supporting charities benefiting women and children.

**Best Monterey County Pinot Noir**  
**My Favorite Monterey County Wine**

**De Tierra** — NE Mission and Fifth — 1 to 6 p.m. Monday - Thursday and 1 to 7 p.m. Friday - Sunday — (831) 622-9704, detierra.com

De Tierra Vineyards changed hands again this year, when owners Alix Bosch and Dan McDonnal, who purchased the winery in 2018, sold to Jeffrey Meacham and Andrew Schoenfeld, who already had an affiliation with the enterprise. But as in the past, its portfolio is strong and its tasting room welcoming, earning it accolades from readers again this year. Best Monterey County Pinot Noir is a highly competitive category, considering the incredible wines produced here and the fact that Monterey County has more acreage of pinot noir vines than any other in the state. De Tierra earned top honors for its iteration — and has three pinots on offer: 2018 Russell Vineyard for \$64, 2018 SLH Tondre for \$59, and 2021 Santa Lucia Highlands for \$49. It also took the vaunted title of My Favorite Monterey County Wine.

**Best Monterey County Merlot**

**Galante Vineyards** — Dolores between Ocean and Sev-

enth — 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. Monday - Thursday, 12:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, noon to 6:30 p.m. Sunday — (831) 624-3800, galantevineyards.com

Galante Vineyards consistently produces highly regarded Bordeaux varietals, earning Golden Pine Cones year after year. While Jack Galante and wife Dawn sold their vineyards and winery to a young couple a few years ago, Jack Galante continues to focus on sharing the finest possible wines from his former Cachagua vineyards and other sources, and letting the fruit express itself in the wines. His merlot boasts balance, body and fruit.

**Best Place for a Beer**

**Alvarado Street Brewery** — Carmel Plaza, Ocean and Mission, and 426 Alvarado St., Monterey — 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday — (831) 293-8621 and (831) 655-2337, asb.beer

With Alvarado Street's stellar lineup of locally made beers, from perennial favorites Mai Tai IPA and Monterey Beer, to seasonal, sour and other more creative offerings — paired with delicious high-level pub food, plenty of indoor and outdoor seating at both spots, and a lively yet sophisticated atmosphere — it's really no surprise ASB won this year's award as the Best Place for a Beer. The father-and-son duo that brought immensely successful Alvarado Street Brewery to the Monterey Peninsula also operates Alvarado Street Brewery & Bistro in Carmel Plaza, and both locations are ideal for enjoying a beer (or several), along with some snacks. The Monterey beer garden and the patio in the plaza both offer great spaces for dining and drinking outdoors. ASB also serves at its taproom in its Salinas production facility, the pitch in Marina where Monterey Bay Football Club plays its home games, and recently opened a restaurant in a former bank on South Main Street in Oldtown Salinas.

- Best Cocktails
- Best New Restaurant
- Best Place to Take Clients
- Best Chef

**Foray** — NE San Carlos and Fifth — 5 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunday — (831) 250-6100, forayrestaurant.com

Since Michael Chang and Caroline Singer, co-owners of

Foray, opened their restaurant in late 2022, they've been busy testing and showcasing Chang's impressive culinary skills as executive chef, Singer's hospitality and all-around knowhow — including behind the bar, which produces creative and elegant cocktails — and their ability to create a space that is elegant, contemporary but not cold, and intriguing. Chang, whose cuisine is beautiful to look at while it showcases as many local and foraged ingredients as possible — and whose quiet but sociable personality has him visiting tables in the restaurant every night — is being celebrated as this year's Best Chef. Foray's elegance and spacious seating, along with its creative use of native cypress wood throughout, make it an impressive spot for dining with clients. And if a larger gathering is planned, its private room in the back is equally breathtaking in appearance.

**Best Happy Hour**

**Vesuvio** — Sixth between Junipero and Mission — nightly from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. — (831) 625-1766, cheffepe.com/restaurants/vesuvio

Vesuvio's happy hour comes in as a readers' favorite again this year. Imbibers have plenty of options to enjoy happy hour, with a spacious indoor bar and a rooftop bar, aka The Star Bar, a lively terrace lounge. The restaurant offers several drink and food specials, with appetizers like sausage and peppers, arancini with marinara, fried artichoke croquettes with aioli, burgers from the burger bar — served with "way good" seasoned fries — drink specials, and a full bar capable of turning out all sorts of cocktails. Anthony Vitacca, the brilliant mixologist tasked with running the bar programs at all the Pepe restaurants, is always bringing something new and fresh to the table. Be on the lookout for seasonal cocktails. The place is popular, so reservations are recommended.

- Best Family Restaurant
- Most Dog-Friendly Restaurant
- Best Restaurant in Carmel Valley

**Sur at the Barnyard** — 3601 Barnyard shopping center — 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and Sunday — (831) 250-7188, surcarmel.com

It's family-friendly. It's dog-friendly. It's in Carmel Valley? Far be it from us to argue with our readers. Geography aside, Sur serves fun along with an eclectic menu that retains

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much of its DNA from veteran restaurateur Bill Lee, who opened the place in 2016. A couple of years ago, when Lee decided to retire for an estimated 57th time, he sold it to Dudley Ashley and Crystal Andino, who also own Pangaea Grill — another multiple Golden Pine Cone winner this year.

Sur is easy to get to — its Barnyard location makes parking a cinch — and its boisterous and happy vibe is welcoming. Have a seat and order a drink from the full bar. Special cocktails include the Mango Tango (Partida silver tequila, mango puree, Cointreau, simple syrup and lemon juice) and the Johnny Cash (Maker's Mark, St. Germaine elderflower, sweet vermouth). The cheese bread may be one of the most popular things on the menu, but try not to fill up on it.

Favorites like filet mignon sliders (two for \$32 with fries) and grilled steak or salmon tacos (two for \$24 with all the fixings) are shareable, while the bacon grilled cheese with soup and fries (\$24) might make your inner child come running. The menu is wide-ranging to suit a range of palates, which may be why it's the readers' choice for family dining. Choose from seafood, meat, chicken and vegetables used in traditional American preparations as well as Asian fusion offerings. This is the sort of place where you're almost expected to steal something off someone else's plate (stick to your own table, though). Casual isn't the right word, because Sur is special, but there's something about it that makes you feel right at home — even dogs love coming to join the fun.

Finish up with a dessert served over a fog of dry ice to make some lasting and social-media-worthy memories.

### ■ Best French Restaurant

**L'Escargot** — Mission just south of Fourth — 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. to closing Wednesday through Sunday — (831) 620-1942, [escargot-carmel.com](http://escargot-carmel.com)

Founded in 1958 by Yvan Nopert, L'Escargot continues its more than two-decade tradition of country French cuisine with chef-owner Kerry Loutas. Boasting "a welcome alternative to the tourist experience," L'Escargot is located just north of the downtown hustle and bustle, where you can enjoy casual fine dining with locally sourced ingredients in a serene setting. In addition to the eponymous snails, you'll find familiar French favorites like onion soup and roasted chicken Provençale, along with rotating daily specials. Whether you

come for lunch or dinner, our readers seem certain you will not leave disappointed. Enjoy Californian or French wines curated for their quality and character in pairing with the cuisine, or enjoy a cocktail from the bar. Don't forget to leave room for dessert, with options like delicious chocolate torte, crème brûlée, lemon tarts and many more — be sure to ask, because the sweet endings change regularly.

### ■ Best Chinese Restaurant

**Tommy's Wok** — Mission between Ocean and Seventh — 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday — (831) 624-8518, [tommyswokcarmel.com](http://tommyswokcarmel.com)

There's nothing better than picking up Chinese takeout and watching the sunset at Carmel Beach. Locals have been loving this little spot for years, savoring the bright, fresh dishes as tempting aromas waft from the kitchen. It's been voted Best Chinese Restaurant by Pine Cone readers every year since 2008. Tourists manage to find it, too, giving it rave reviews on social media and travel sites for its great food, solid value and excellent service. Tommy's Wok's guests expect substantial portions that won't break the bank, and they get them. You'll find all your favorites — pot stickers, spare ribs, egg rolls, sizzling plates and soups, chow mein and mu shu chicken — plus a few things that might be new to you. Be a little more daring and give one of the lamb dishes a try, or bite into the fun texture of battered and fried prawns served with honey-glazed walnuts. A wide variety of Szechuan, Hunan and Mandarin dishes are all served up piping hot and ready to go.

### ■ Best Indian Restaurant

**Aabha** — 3690 The Barnyard — noon to 9 p.m. daily — (831) 250-5940, [aabhaindian.com](http://aabhaindian.com)

Aabha brings the exotic flavors and dishes of India to our own backyard. Executive chef and proprietor Bhupender Singh's food is as warm as he is, from the coconut lentil soup to decadent butter chicken and saag paneer, every dish is sure to satisfy eaters of all tastes. The great thing about Indian food is that it offers a variety of vegetarian dishes bursting with flavor. Start with the samosas — crispy pastries stuffed with potatoes, peas and spices. Make sure you get some warm naan (Indian flat bread) to mop up the sauces, and wash things down with a mango lassi or order a bottle of wine. Everyone who comes to the hospitable and spacious restaurant feels welcome, and Singh's delicious food never disappoints. The restaurant is now back to serving its much-sought-after lunch

buffet from noon to 3 p.m., when you can sample a variety of dishes without having to commit to one.

### ■ Best Italian Restaurant

**La Balena** — Junipero between Fifth and Sixth — 5 to 9 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday — (831) 250-6295, [labalenacarmel.com](http://labalenacarmel.com)

La Balena Cucina Toscana is tucked in one of Carmel's charming downtown courtyards and feels like you're dining in the heart of Florence. Owners Anna and Emanuele Bartolini pride themselves on their fresh dishes, sourcing ingredients locally and from small farmers, and changing the menu just about daily. "Our philosophy is to support small farmers the most that we can and translate the hard work of the farmer to the plate in a very simple and honest way," said Emanuele. They aim to select high-quality ingredients and then let the food speak for itself. The most popular antipasti are the fried cauliflower, octopus, and meatballs.

"Our salads are something we are proud of, we source everything locally so there is always something changing but very fresh," said Emanuele. Soup is made fresh daily and all the pasta is made in house. Even though it's not strictly Italian, the fried chicken is a showstopper. La Balena always has some braised meat on the menu and a dish made from freshly delivered seafood. There's an unusual selection of wines from Italy. "Ninety percent are from small producers, not using big names or commercial brands, but the price point is very fair," said Emanuele. "We cover everything from sparkling, rosé, red, and have a good selection of orange wines — made with skin contact fermentation." It is sophisticated simplicity. Emanuele can almost always be found at the restaurant, waiting tables and chatting with diners, bringing his Tuscan charm and hospitality.

### ■ Best Japanese/Sushi Restaurant

**Toro Sushi** — Dolores between Fifth and Sixth — noon to 8:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday — (831) 574-3255, [torosushicarmel.com](http://torosushicarmel.com)

Sushi is food, but it's also beautiful. Of all the cuisines, it's arguably the one that, done well, best exemplifies the truism, "We eat with our eyes first." A good sushi chef's knife is a sculptor's chisel, transforming pieces of fish into carved

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## WINNERS

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gemstones, mosaics and miniature works of art. Following that line of thought, Pine Cone readers chose Toro Sushi as their gallery of choice for the tastiest sushi and Japanese food around. Its simple two-page menu includes familiar favorites — edamame (steamed soybean appetizer), nigiri (pieces of fish atop slabs of rice), California rolls with real snow crab — and then adds twists like the Maine Squeeze, with tempura lobster and spicy tuna topped with hamachi (yellowtail), snow crab, macadamia nuts and other goodies.

Not everything's raw, of course — there's teriyaki and katsu-fried chicken coated in crispy panko. You can also order combo plates, or, for \$100, order omakase sushi, putting yourself in the chef's hands. Have some sake and enjoy the show.

### ■ Best Mediterranean Restaurant

**Dametra Café** — Ocean and Lincoln — 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily — (831) 622-7766, [dametracafe.com](http://dametracafe.com)

Faisal Nimri and Bashar Sneeh were united by their love for music — both play the traditional Middle Eastern oud. Their passion for creating a welcoming atmosphere inspired the birth of Dametra Café. A sort of culinary (but more fun) version of the United Nations, it offers fare from Greek, Italian, Spanish, Moroccan, Turkish, French, Israeli and Lebanese cuisines and consistently attracts a queue of hungry diners.

“Our kitchen is small, but with a really big heart,” says the restaurant's website, and diners can taste the love. Starters, including fried calamari, pita with tzatziki sauce or hummus, and spanakopita (the Greek specialty with phyllo-wrapped spinach and feta), are perfect for sharing. There are, of course, kebabs, gyros, shawarma and kofta (seasoned ground beef wrapped in lavash bread), but you'll also find a salmon burger, assorted pastas, cioppino and paella. Vegetarians can choose stuffed grape leaves, baba ganoush, falafel or a variety of hefty salads. The international theme continues through dessert — if you have room — with baklava sharing the bill with tiramisu and triple fudge cake.

Hailing from Jordan and Syria respectively, Nimri and Sneeh continue to captivate their clientele through exceptional hospitality at Dametra Café, where their motto is “eat, laugh, live and love.”

### ■ Best Thai Restaurant

**Pacific Thai Cuisine** — 663 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove — 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. to closing Monday through Friday, noon to closing Saturday and Sunday — (831) 646-8424, [pacificthaipg.com](http://pacificthaipg.com)

Pagrovians have known about this place for 15 years, but it sometimes seems to be overshadowed by fancy Fandango and early bird hangout First Awakenings (both Golden Pine Cone winners in their own rights). The service is friendly, prompt and reliable — if you come in for lunch, they'll get you back to work before anyone starts wondering where you are.

Each of the moderately priced lunch specials comes with coconut milk soup — a hot cup of savory, spicy and creamy comfort that's not at all heavy. From there, have classic pad Thai or one of the delicious red, yellow or green curries. Protein choices include chicken, beef, pork or tofu, and there are usually plenty of vegetables.

All of the ingredients shine — salads are served with fresh greens, veggies are cooked to a nice crisp-tender consistency, and sauces complement the food rather than compete with it. The dinner menu is similar, if a little more pricey. On a chilly day, ask for the ginger tea — its nice, spicy kick that will warm you all the way through.

### ■ Best Mexican Restaurant

**Peppers Mexicali Café** — 170 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove — 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday and Wednesday through Saturday, 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday — (831) 373-6892, [peppers-mexicalicafe.com](http://peppers-mexicalicafe.com)

Whether you're looking for a midday break or a fun evening out, Peppers is a great spot to kick back, sip a margarita or a Modelo and chow down on fresh Mexican food. You can choose between indoor and comfortable outdoor seating with heaters. Complimentary thick and hearty chips stand up to spicy red and milder green salsas. Everything comes out of the kitchen hot — make that sizzling, for the fajitas. Ask if there are tamales, because this casual and friendly spot does a great job with them.

The tacos, burritos and chile rellenos are all flavorful choices and, along with several other menu items, can be assembled into combo plates for \$13.50 to \$16.95, including refried or black beans and rice. When salmon is available — which seems to be all the time — it comes out perfectly cooked, tender and moist. Are you thinking outside the tor-

tilla? You have plenty of choices, including grilled seafood salad, chicken fajita salad, and several versions of prawns and snapper. If you have room, desserts vary.

### ■ Best Restaurant for Seafood

**Monterey's Fish House** — 2114 Del Monte Ave., Monterey — 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. daily — (831) 373-4647, [montereyfishhouse.com](http://montereyfishhouse.com)

The DiGirolamo family has worked with seafood in Monterey for generations as fishermen and restaurateurs. Fish House owner David DiGirolamo grew up in the family's restaurant, Angelo's on Fisherman's Wharf, which many old-timers remember with a smile. The place on Del Monte Avenue (near Casa Verde Way) is so unassuming, you might have driven by it hundreds of times without giving it a second look. That would be sad, because our readers say that DiGirolamo understands how to prepare and serve fresh seafood.

Tempting appetizers include calamari and BBQ baby octopus. For the main course, choose among a variety of fish — either oak-grilled or blackened — with fresh vegetables and pasta for \$22 to \$30. Cioppino (\$31) with garlic bread is also on the menu, along with a nice selection of pastas, meat entrées and chicken, so no one need feel left out. Dessert options include tiramisu and cannoli. A nicely curated beer and wine list offers plenty of options to wash it all down.

### ■ Best Restaurant for Steak

**The Whaling Station Steakhouse** — 763 Wave St., Monterey — 4:30 to 8 p.m. nightly — (831) 373-3778, [thewhalingstation.com](http://thewhalingstation.com)

Opened 52 years ago by local restaurant legend John Pisito, the Whaling Station continues today with Kevin Phillips (Beach House, Abalonetti) as managing partner. It's got all the traditional dishes that make a steakhouse great. Caesar salad tossed tableside? Yup. Creamed spinach? Sautéed mushrooms? Of course. Appetizers like escargot or oysters Rockefeller will have you feeling like Diamond Jim Brady (look it up, kids), and Phillips has added the FireCracker Shrimp beloved at the Beach House in Pacific Grove.

But you're here for the meat, right? We're talking aged cuts of beef sourced from America's heartland — Nebraska, Iowa and Kansas — ranging from a center-cut sirloin for \$44 to a Porterhouse for two (market price) and a prime slab of

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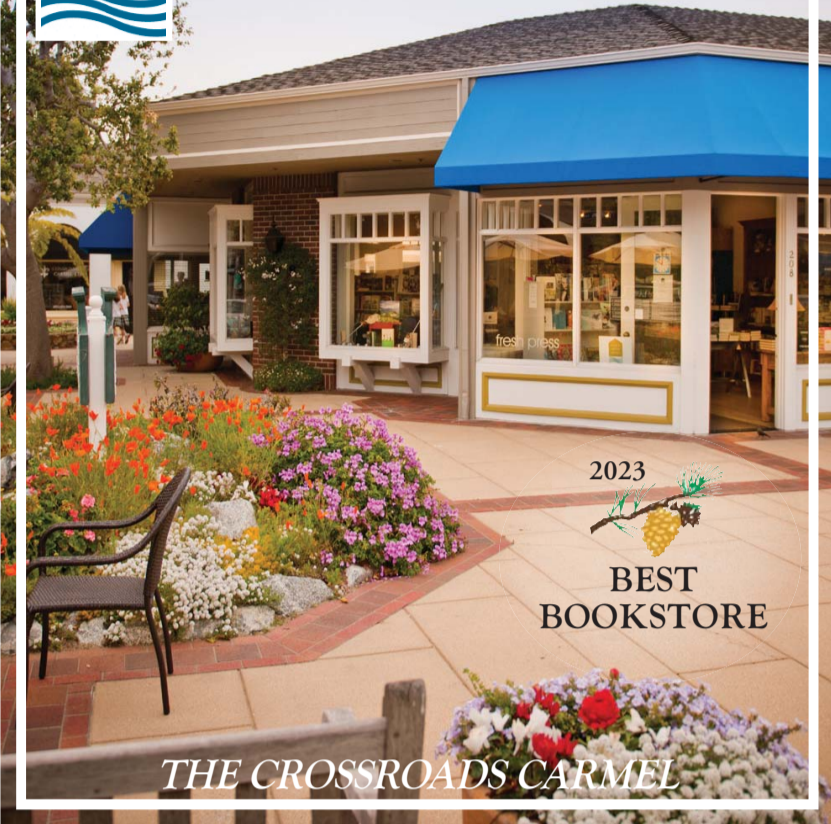
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## FAVORITES

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New York for \$62. Almost makes you want to stand up and sing the National Anthem. Rack of lamb, braised short ribs, and slow-roasted prime rib with Yorkshire pudding are also on offer, along with chicken, seafood and pasta. There's a full bar and more than two dozen California and Italian wines by the glass, starting at \$9.

### ■ Best Restaurant for Vegetarians

**Julia's Vegetarian Restaurant** — 1180 Forest Ave., Suite F, Pacific Grove — 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily — (831) 656-9533, juliasveg.com

It's not easy being a vegetarian, let alone vegan. It's not that there aren't a lot of possibilities — it's just that most restaurants don't seem to embrace them. Non-meat-eaters get tired of running their fingers down a menu looking for salads without bacon and pasta-anything-but-primavera. This recently remodeled gem at the back of the Forest Hill shopping center between Safeway and Trader Joe's is for them, but also for meat-eating friends who want to join them for a good meal.

Julia's serves breakfast, lunch and dinner. The updated menu includes old favorites like the donut bites with cinnamon and sugar (vegetarian doesn't always equal healthy) for \$8, cauliflower "wings" for \$16, the Iris Salad with roasted carrots, cauliflower, squash, yams and more in a tahini dressing for \$19 and the truly satisfying tamale pie (\$24). The taco salad (\$21) would be delicious on its own with cool avocado,

pickled red onions and more in a cilantro dressing, but the chef drops two delicious little fried tamales on the plate, making it a hearty meal. The restaurant also features live music Thursday through Saturday from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

### ■ Best Salad

### ■ Best Place to Read The Pine Cone

**Carmel Belle** — San Carlos between Ocean and Seventh — 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily — (831) 624-1600, carmelbelle.com

Carmel Belle in the Doud Arcade always seem to be hopping. Don't worry, though — you can usually find a place to sit indoors or on the patio, with plenty of room to unfold a beloved hometown newspaper and catch up on the Battle of the Pit and other local sagas.

This spot lets you have things your way, and all the things are really tasty. The restaurant uses local organic produce whenever possible and strives for sustainability. The coffee is good and hot, and you can start your morning with eggs, avocado toast or brie, fruit, walnuts and a baguette.

Lunch and dinner choices include hot and cold sammies and "comfort classics" like mac-and-cheese, meatloaf and roast chicken, but our readers are clamoring for more salad. There's the farmers salad, with greens, cucumber, fennel, radish and carrot finished with a lemon vinaigrette, the chicken Cobb with free-range Mary's chicken, the tasty autumn orchard with persimmons, pomegranate, walnuts and goat cheese, and a blue cheese and apple offering with candied walnuts. You can also choose Greek, mozzarella with roasted tomato, or market vegetable. When did eating your veggies get to be so much fun?

### ■ Best BBQ

**The Crossroads Barbeque** — 241 Crossroads Blvd. — 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. (or sold out) daily — (831) 250-7616, thecrossroadsbbq.com

The Ingram family, known in three counties for exceptional barbecue, set up shop in the Crossroads in 2018. You can eat in the clean and sleek indoor space, dine outside on the patio, or place an order to go.

The Crossroads Barbeque focuses on one thing and does it extremely well — smoked meat. Choose from tri-tip, pulled pork, brisket, chicken, St. Louis-style pork ribs, and burnt ends — the flavorful trimmings from smoked brisket. Opt for

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regular or large orders, or get it in a sandwich. Prices range from \$13.50 for a regular chicken meal to \$46 for a full rack of ribs with two sides and bread. Have a pulled pork or brisket sandwich to start the day, or a breakfast taco with an egg, salsa and your choice of meat in a flour tortilla.

It's a shame that home-style potato salad, sweet-and-savory baked beans, mac and cheese, and creamy coleslaw don't get as much attention, but what're you gonna do? There's beer on tap to accompany the meal, and for dessert, the Ingram family recipes for homemade bread pudding and berry cobbler are not to be missed, even if you must take them to go. If the pecan pie's anywhere near as good, count us in for that, too. Check the website for info about live music, catering, fundraising and more.

## Best Fish & Chips

**Brophy's** — San Carlos and Fourth — 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. (beverages until 10 p.m.) Monday through Saturday and 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. (beverages until 10 p.m.) Sunday — (831)586-5566, brophystavern.com

Fish and chips, like roast chicken or beef stew, is one of the holy grails of cooking. It's simple, but elusive. On the face of it, c'mon, McDonald's can do it, right? It's just fried fish and French fries, for heaven's sake.

Do not say that to an aficionado unless you want to wear the ketchup they're not going to use anyway. Pine Cone readers understand that the struggle to find the best is real. The fish, in this case fresh halibut, has to be prepared so that the entire breaded crust doesn't disintegrate at first bite. It should be golden brown on the outside, but not overcooked and dry on the inside. The chips should be crispy, then fluffy inside. Everything must be adequately seasoned straight out of the fryer, and the same temperature — seriously hot — when it hits the table. We'll leave you to argue about whether you should add malt vinegar or dunk the chips in tartar sauce. You should order an ice-cold brew, too.

## Best Place to Get Ice Cream

**Revival Ice Cream** — 463 Alvarado St., Monterey — noon to 9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, noon to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday — (831) 747-2113, revivalicecream.com

Like any food, you can approach ice cream two ways — you can ask about how it's made, learning about the facilities, the chef's techniques, sustainability, locally sourced ingredients and so on, or you can ask how it tastes. If you're lucky, you find a place that offers all the above — like Revival Ice Cream.

The first part — technique, facilities, sustainability, etc. — includes using no artificial ingredients or sweeteners, selling reusable containers and offering vegan flavors. The second part, well, that's for you to decide, but the attention to detail in crafting (and for once, that's the right word) ensures a high-quality product.

It's still made locally in smallish batches, and the retail shop is right in the middle of Old Monterey, but you can get it delivered and even have it shipped nationwide. Favorite flavors include Bees Knees made with local honey, eucalyptus mint chip, and dark chocolate made with Theo's brand of rich, dark cocoa love.

The shop also sells 6-inch and 9-inch ice cream cakes (three-day notice required), ice cream sandwiches and gluten-free cookies. Not gonna lie — at around \$15 a pint, this is a splurge for most folks, but once you've had it, you'll know why our readers keep going back for more.

## Best Sandwich or Burger

**Bear + Flag Roadside** — 7152 Carmel Valley Road — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday and Wednesday - Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday — (831) 293-8608, bearandflagroadside.com

Golden Pine Cone newcomer Bear + Flag was one of those spots that opened during the pandemic and not only survived, but thrived. In the space formerly occupied by Valley Hills Deli (same driveway as Baja Cantina) you'll find barbecue meat sandwiches Thursday through Sunday for as long as they last, and a diverse assortment of other concoctions between bread, like an Italian Paisano (mortadella, salami, prosciutto, coppa and provolone, \$18), a fried chicken sandwich (\$14), a blistered all-beef hot dog (\$11) and a signature burger with two patties on a potato roll with American cheese and all the fixings (\$14).

You can also get a salad with refreshingly eclectic dressing choices like turmeric tahini and garlic anchovy. Early birds can pick up a breakfast burrito, and soup, chili and cookies are on offer for those midday snack attacks.

## Best Breakfast

**Stationaery** — San Carlos between Fifth and Sixth — 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily for brunch, 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday through Saturday — (831) 250-7183, thestationaery.com

This cozy establishment offers a dining experience focused on fresh and locally sourced ingredients. The menu boasts a range of dishes that cater to various palates.

A creative brunch menu includes a potato pancake with smoked trout, crème fraiche and gribiche, an egg-based sauce

with herbs (\$30), a decadent croque madame with ham, gruyere and fig (\$26) and a gussied-up Maine Lobster Roll (\$44) served with fingerling potato salad. Of course, it's a challenge for the rest of the day to live up to the joy of a lobster breakfast, but that's just how we roll in here paradise. Diners with lighter appetites are especially appreciative when every bite is filled with flavor, like the avocado toast with Meyer lemon, radish and Monterey Bay seaweed (\$19) or a Schoch's Dairy yogurt bowl with fruit, crunchy pumpkin-seed granola and honey (\$17).

If you want to come back later, dinner selections include halibut with broccoli, coconut milk and lemongrass, tuna crudo, and spaghetti amatriciana. There's a bar, six wines by the bottle or glass, and a choice of beers and hard cider.

## Best Coffee

**Carmel Valley Coffee Roasting Co.** — Ocean between Lincoln and Monte Verde, 3720 The Barnyard and 246 Crossroads Blvd. — Ocean Avenue from 6:30 a.m. to 5:30

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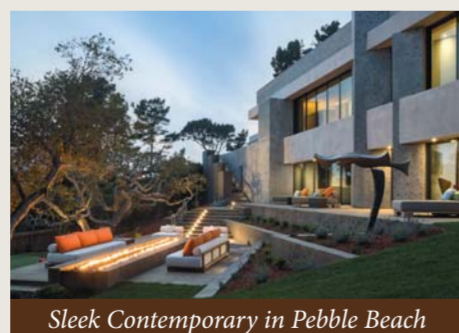
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something that's getting harder to find these days.

■ Best Coffeehouse

**Carmel Coffee House**— Ocean btw. San Carlos and Dolores – 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily – (831) 626-2095, [carmelcoffee.com](http://carmelcoffee.com)

Originally called the Caffè Cardinale and Roasting Co., Carmel Coffee House roasts small batches of beans — organic only — to help neighbors and out-of-towners kick start their days. It seems a little unfair that you have to find this little hideaway before you've had your first cup, but just look for the little alleyway between the Club stores, or for the shop's mascot, Gus the sea otter (specially created for the shop by late cartoonist Gus Arriola of "Gordo" fame).

You'll find a happy, energetic caffeine-fueled vibe in the pet-friendly courtyard, even on grey and foggy days. In addition to coffee, there's a nice selection of breakfast and snack foods, as well as tea, along with a refreshing conviviality and spirit of community. Online rave reviews attest to the quality of the coffee, food and service. Extend the experience by buying a bag of beans to take home.

■ Best Desserts

■ Best Special Occasion Cake

**Ruby's Sweet Sicily** — (831) 233-0937, [rubycakesofmonterey.com](http://rubycakesofmonterey.com)

Ruby's Sweet Sicily is a purveyor of treats like apple butter cobbler, mini birthday cakes, cannoli cake cups, mini Oreo cakes, traditional sugar cookies, rocky road brownies and pumpkin spice sugar cookies and ice cream seen at farmers markets all over the Peninsula. The business also offers gourmet

pasta to cook at home and everything you need for a great antipasto — or they can cater a whole party, but the readers went straight for the sweet stuff.

Chef Ruby makes beautiful custom cakes for all sorts of occasions. Past triumphs include confections shaped like Star Trek's Enterprise, an electric guitar, a slumbering dragon and a race car, to name a few. Some customers have even ordered cakes with surprises inside — car keys, an anniversary present, and an engagement ring. Although the company's Marina facility is closed to the public, tastings for wedding and other special cakes can be arranged. "We have a very nice tasting set up, with a beautiful table, fresh flowers, background music...we make the tasting fun," said the owners.

■ Best Pizza

**Gianni's** — 725 Lighthouse Ave., Monterey — 4 to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 3 to 10 p.m. Friday, noon to 10 p.m. Saturday, noon to 9 p.m. Sunday — (831) 649-1500, [giannispizzamonterey.com](http://giannispizzamonterey.com)

Talk about your oldies-but-goodies! Even if you've never come as a restaurant customer, you might have attended one of the 500 gatherings this place hosts in its banquet room annually — birthday parties, sports teams' celebrations and wedding rehearsals among them. Now run by the original owners' grandchildren, the little pizza shop that opened in 1974 has survived recessions, earthquakes and a pandemic. and remains a perennial favorite.

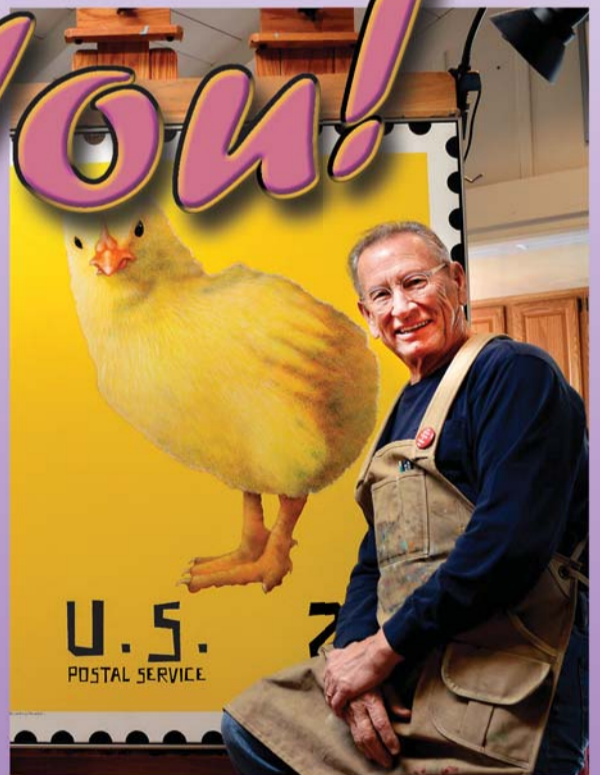
It's a no-nonsense operation with friendly service — people there work hard and seem genuinely happy you've decided to share your evening with them. Gianni's has found the secret sauce of changing with the times without alienating longtime customers who've come to rely on favorites like thin-crust pies in sizes ranging from personal to extra large (18 inches) topped with combina-

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tions drawn from more than 20 toppings. Prices start around \$15 for an 8-inch mini pizza. Also offered are antipasti, pasta, lasagna, calzones, ravioli, meatball sandwiches, and, if you feel you should, salads. And you can wash it all down with a selection from the full bar or a cold brew on tap, and choose from cannoli, gelato or a tiramisu cup for dessert.

### ■ Best Wine List

**The Sardine Factory** — 701 Wave St., Monterey — 5 to 9:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 5 to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday — (831) 373-3775, [sardinefactory.com](http://sardinefactory.com)

You can eat in the Wine Cellar at this famous spot, or you can order one of its thousands of bottles at your table upstairs or in the lounge. Fifty-four years after its founding — famously on the “wrong side of the tracks” near Cannery Row — Bert Cutino and Ted Balestreri’s Old World-style restaurant is a go-to for locals and tourists alike.

In addition to a menu designed for splurge-worthy events like birthdays, graduations and winning a Nobel Prize, there’s an encyclopedic wine list. It eventually ends, or we’d say reading it online was like scrolling through Facebook. You know you’re in deep when you’re perusing the Cellar Master’s Selections (house recommendations) and it says, “Please see pages 15-19 for complete chardonnay selection.”

There are more than three dozen domestic and international wines by the glass starting at \$11, and the list itself boasts, “Currently we have over 2,000 selections on our wine list. This does not include any of the wines that we pour by the glass or hundreds more that are aging in our catacombs.”

Fear not, the staff is well informed and will cheerfully assist you in making just the right selection, whether you want to spend \$40 or \$400 ... or more.

### ■ Best Brunch

**First Awakenings** — 300 David Ave., Monterey — 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily — (831) 372-1125, [firstawakenings.net](http://firstawakenings.net)

This area has an abundance of great breakfast spots, as evidenced by the fact that you often have to wait in line to get a table at any of them. What else can you expect when brunch is one of the last great unhurried meals of the week? At least First Awakening’s move to Lighthouse and David means it has a bit more space, including a patio and old-school counter. The restaurant has been around for 29 years and if you remember it from the days when it was called First Watch, you’re officially an old-timer.

Its simple mission is, “Use fresh, quality ingredients. Treat customers like family. Hire kind & happy staff.” They might have added “serve portions that will fill up a longshoreman,” since the breakfast skillet is enough for at least two people. Start with a frying pan full of home-style potatoes, pile on a couple of eggs and some cheese, and then add ham, bacon and sausage for a meat lovers’ fast-breaker. The pancakes are fluffy, French toast is thick and eggy, the OJ is fresh — and prices top out at \$18.29 for a full order of eggs Benedict. It’s

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**Best Outdoor Dining**

**Mission Ranch Hotel and Restaurant** — 26270 Dolores — breakfast 7 to 10:30 a.m. Monday through Friday, “early grazing” and cocktails from 3 to 5 p.m. daily, dinner 5 to 9 p.m. nightly, brunch 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday — (831) 624-6436, [missionranchcarmel.com](http://missionranchcarmel.com)

Whether you’re gazing at the turquoise jewel of the lagoon and brilliant sand, watching woolly sheep munching on grass, or peering farther into the distance at the Santa Lucia mountains or the coast at Point Lobos, there are no bad views from Mission Ranch. Even though dining al fresco was forced upon everyone for more than a year, it was something this restaurant has always done well.

Mission Ranch doesn’t take reservations and asks you to limit your party to eight people, all in the interest of good service. The restaurant’s Sunday brunch buffet has returned, much to locals’ delight, but it’s not the only meal you can have outside. The cold “early grazing menu” is meant to be enjoyed with cocktails. If the sunset and ocean breezes whet your appetite for dinner, the menu will take you to sea with jumbo scallops with exotic mushroom and spinach risotto, or coriander-seasoned salmon. You can recall the rich local agricultural and ranching heritage with whiskey-marinated beef brochette or slow-roasted prime rib. Pasta choices like scampi linguine are similarly tempting. Mission Ranch is also a wonderful place to hear live jazz, but you do have to go inside. Check The Pine Cone’s weekly music listings to find out who’s at the piano.

**Most Romantic Restaurant**

**Casanova** — Fifth Street between Mission and San Carlos — 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday — (831) 216-3811, [casanovacarmel.com](http://casanovacarmel.com)

For more than 20 years, this spot has been living up to the romance evoked by its namesake, 18th-century Venetian Giacomo Casanova, a colorful fellow whose romantic exploits were the stuff of legend. It’s situated in a house once occupied by Aunt Fairy Bird, a soft-spoken woman who was Charlie Chaplin’s cook. The Georis family renovated it in 1977 with what they describe as traditional Belgian architectural influ-

ences. Once you’re done swooning over the charming history (ask about Van Gogh’s table — yes, that Van Gogh), it’s time to check out the food.

Casanova looks to small, organic farms and local fisheries when gathering ingredients and seems to make all that attention to detail appear effortless. The menu, which is a nothing less than a love letter from the kitchen, woos you with the promise of French onion soup, escargot and crab and lures you in deeper with duck confit or the sort of sole Meunière that memorably launched Julia Child’s lifelong love affair with French food. An excellent wine list and optional oyster-and-caviar service can make dinner highly memorable.

Giacomo Casanova wrote in “History of my Life,” “Cultivating whatever gave pleasure to my senses was always the chief business of my life; I never found any occupation more important.” The namesake restaurant in this magical village seems to have taken that sentiment to heart.

**Best Restaurant for a Special Occasion****Best Restaurant in Carmel**

**Pangaea Grill** — Ocean Avenue, 5 NE of Lincoln — 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily — (831) 624-2569, [pangaeagrillcarmel.com](http://pangaeagrillcarmel.com)

Our readers picked this easy-to-find spot on Ocean Avenue as the best place in town and the best restaurant for a special occasion. That’s understandable — the colorful dishes with clever plating always look like a party’s in progress. Pangaea is the name of the supercontinent believed to have existed 200 million years ago that broke up into the continents we know today (possibly because the historic resources board wasn’t around yet to declare the original land mass untouchable).

In that spirit of global dining, the playful menu features appetizers like caprese (fresh mozzarella with basil and tomato) sharing the space with Asian BBQ chicken wings and coconut Thai curry. You can get fried kimchee beef dumplings or an eggplant Napoleon with goat cheese, caramelized onions and portabella mushroom. Breakfast includes papaya parfait and Asian specialties alongside steak and eggs, and Benedicts. So, whether you’re celebrating an anniversary or just Tuesday night, this is a place that has you covered.

**Best Bartender**

**Brent Carlson/The Running Iron** — 24 E. Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley — 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 2 a.m. Sunday — (831) 659-4633

He might not have predicted he’d end up being the main man behind the bar at the Running Iron in Carmel Valley Village following his years as a server in well-loved restaurants — including the long-missed Cachagua General Store — but he’s now an institution there. Considering his extensive experience and how well he takes care of everyone who steps up to the bar, it’s no surprise Pine Cone readers chose him as Best Bartender — and not for the first time. Not only can he mix a mean drink, but he’s friendly, knowledgeable, a good conversationalist, and kindhearted. He and wife Danielle and their daughter are a frequent sight in the Village, often helping to make their community even better, and locals know he’d go to any length to lend a hand to anyone in need. He can also tell you pretty much anything you want to know about the valley, so if you want to go to a bar and feel immediately at home, look for Brent. His ginger hair and ready smile are giveaways, if you don’t know him already.

**Best Restaurant Service**

**Aubergine Carmel** — Monte Verde & Seventh — 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday — (831) 624-8578, [auberginecarmel.com](http://auberginecarmel.com)

Carmel’s first Michelin-starred restaurant, little Aubergine is tucked inside L’Auberge Carmel. The kitchen is helmed by Justin Cogley, a renowned chef who was honored as Food and Wine magazine’s best new chef in 2013 and has an array of awards to his name. As you’d expect for someone of his talents (not to mention those of exceptional pastry chef Yulanda Santos) food is reliably superb. Excited foodies cheerfully plunk down \$265 for Cogley’s eight-course tasting menu whilst sipping on selections from among 3,500 bottles in the wine cellar.

However, great food brought to the table by a surly or inattentive server makes for a nerve-racking purgatory where diners simultaneously fear and look forward to each course’s arrival. Thankfully, Pine Cone readers know good service when they see it — available, but not hovering; helpful but not obsequious, and knowledgeable without being patronizing. If you decide to enjoy this small treasure, you can relax — you’re in great hands.

**Best Restaurant in Big Sur**

**Nepenthe** — 48510 Highway 1 — 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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and 5 to 10 p.m. daily – (831) 667-2345, nepenthe.com

More than 800 feet above the ocean, Nepenthe is an impressive alchemy of coastal views and great food that makes for a dining experience worthy of the drive. The family-owned and operated spot has long been a place where locals gather in good times and bad. Its name is derived from Greek, and means “no sorrow,” and is also the name of a mythical Egyptian drug that caused forgetfulness and relieved sadness. That may be related to the lack of wifi and the spotty cell reception. (“What’s that? You need me in the office right away? I’m sorry...you’re breaking up.”)

This place feeds everyone on a first-come, first-served basis — no reservations. The menu offers simple fare done well, like diver scallops, roast chicken and steak frites. Of course, you can always fall back on the Ambrosia Burger, a favorite for decades. Spend a few minutes perusing the impressively curated wine list with good bottles for most price ranges, or enjoy a cocktail from the full bar.

Café Kevah — one level down from Nepenthe — opens at 9 a.m. and offers a nice selection of breakfasts and coffee. Once your belly’s full, stop in at the Phoenix Shop (open 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily) and get lost among the works of local artists and craftsmen.

**Best Restaurant in Pebble Beach**

**Roy’s** — 2700 17 Mile Drive (in the Inn at Spanish Bay) — breakfast 6 to 11 a.m., lunch 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., “light fare” from 3 to 4:30 p.m. and dinner 5 to 10 p.m. daily – (800) 877-0597, pebblebeach.com

Roy’s setting at Spanish Bay is a gift — and a burden. The verdant golf course, the azure Pacific beyond, the outdoor fire pits where a bagpiper seems to singlehandedly conjure the sunset and the evening fog ... and somehow, you’re expected to turn your attention to a menu. Fortunately, Chef Roy Yamaguchi and chef de cuisine Pablo Mellin have made sure that the food matches the view. Although Yamaguchi’s roots are in Tokyo, he’s known as a major innovator in Hawaiian fusion cuisine. Sounds high-falutin’, but it translates to beautiful and deceptively simple-looking plates that promise big flavors in

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unexpected combinations.

Breakfast is traditional — why would anyone mess with waffles or steak and eggs, anyway? Lunch, however, takes a hard western turn toward Hawaii and Japan with tiger shrimp and beef spring rolls and Kona coconut shrimp. Bento boxes, island-themed salads and a selection of entrees make for a satisfying meal. Dinner continues in the same vein, with entrees like Huli Huli Hamachi (yellowtail) and yuzu chimichurri local halibut with heirloom tomato confit. Meat lovers can choose from roast chicken, beef short ribs, rack of lamb or pork, among others. Signature cocktails include a spicy mango margarita and Roy's mai tai, and the wine list is excellent.

## Best Restaurant in Pacific Grove

**Fandango** — 223 17th St., Pacific Grove — 5 p.m. to closing nightly — (831) 372-3456, [fandangorestaurant.com](http://fandangorestaurant.com)

You know you're a hometown fixture when your original diners bring their grandkids in for special occasions — and that's Fandango. It's one of those rare gems that manages to make guests feel like VIPs without making anyone uncomfortable. Follow the host through the restaurant's various French country-style dining areas with cozy fireside seats just made for a foggy winter (or summer) evening. Spend a few minutes with the impressive wine list, where you'll find bottles from all over Europe. Vintages for a few reds date to the 1990s, with some Penfolds gems from Down Under.

The Eurocentric menu includes many of the things Americans think of as classic continental cuisine, like onion soup, escargot, duck a l'orange, and house paella. The seasoned wait staff can help you select the right bottle of wine to accompany the veal piccata or double lamb chops. You can also get long-cooking favorites like osso buco or a North African lamb shank served with couscous and harissa — things you just don't have time to make at home. Save room for the profiteroles or the Grand Marnier soufflé — either is a perfect end to a perfect meal.

## Best Restaurant in Monterey

**Stokes Adobe** — 500 Hartnell St., Monterey — 5 to 9 p.m. nightly except Wednesdays — (831) 264-8775, [stokesadobe.com](http://stokesadobe.com)

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“doctor” whose patients died with alarming regularity — though not alarming enough to stop them from coming — Stokes Adobe is said to be haunted by ghosts of former occupants and malpractice victims. Stokes sold it to baker and potter Honore Escolle and it subsequently housed a variety of inhabitants and businesses until 1950, when it became a restaurant. While some locals might think of it as the poster child for restaurant reincarnation (Gallatin's, Stokes, Restaurant 1833), Pine Cone readers say it's back to being the best in town.

One of the charming things about this place is the variety of dining room settings and plentiful, comfortable outdoor seating. The tables in the balcony above the bar are especially fun for people watching. Food is elegant and straightforward. Starters include caviar tater tots, duck liver mousse, and burrata with cured meats. Entrees start at \$28 for cavatelli cacio e pepe, an Italian preparation that is damned near magical — black pepper and parmesan cheese are tossed with the pasta and a little cooking liquid to make a rich, delicious sauce. Fish, chicken and pork are all on offer, and you can get a 7-ounce Australian wagyu steak or wood-fired prime rib, too. But please, don't feed the ghosts.

### Best Restaurant in Seaside

**Maligne** — 600 Broadway, Seaside — noon to 2:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday — (831) 601-1302, restaurantmaligne.com

Named in honor of a nickname owner Klaus Georis had as a child, Maligne means a troublemaker or mischievous child. Georis — a member of the family that has brought much fine food and good wine to the Peninsula over the decades — seems to enjoy playing with people's expectations. The building and its interior are industrial chic, yet you look down and the table is set with pretty china with a petite flower pattern. You're

sitting in a neighborhood that's more Home Depot than House Beautiful, but the menu is straight out of a French country cookbook.

All of it seems to say, “Don't take yourself so seriously.” That does not, however, apply to the food. It's cooked to perfection and presented in a way that's both beautiful and accessible — after all, eating shouldn't be like a round of Jenga. Service is excellent and even simple things like focaccia with olive oil become sublime. Morel mushrooms make an appearance in season, served simply with peas and spinach or with pasta, and everything is made with care. A three-course meal runs from \$40 up, parking is easy and the neighborhood's been gussied up quite a bit in recent years. Definitely worth the trip.

## RECREATION AND THE ARTS

### Best Local Artist

**Will Bullas** — Carmel Art Association Gallery, Dolores between Fifth and Sixth, and the Carmel Valley Art Association, 8 Del Fino Place, Carmel Valley — willbullas.com

Proving that art doesn't have to always be serious, the lighthearted Will Bullas was again named Best Local Artist by Pine Cone readers. A gifted illustrator with keen sense of humor, Bullas has a particular talent for portraying animals in human roles. His latest work veers into other subjects, including clever portraits of the Egyptian god Anubis, Captain Hook and Peter Pan, along with a spoof on the “Almond Brothers.”

### Best Local Photographer

**Randy Tunnell** — (831) 595-0394, randytunnell.com

A Monterey resident with a gift for taking

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portraits, Randy Tunnell beautifully captured images of more than two dozen downtown artists in his 2022 show, "Their Own Likeness: Carmel Bohemian Painters," at the Cherry Center for the Arts. A year earlier, his exhibit at Sunset Center's Marjorie Evans Gallery, "A Photographic Study of Faith Leaders from our Community," included portraits of 19 local religious leaders. You'll also find him behind the camera at numerous local events, including the Carmel Bach Festival, graduation ceremonies and more.

## Best Photo Gallery

**Center for Photographic Art** — Sunset Center at San Carlos and Ninth - noon to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday, and by appointment - (821) 625-5181, photography.org

Since Ann Jastrab took over as executive director of the Center for Photographic Art four years ago, the group's membership has tripled. The center's many group exhibits, contests and lectures have drawn photographers from near and far. Some shows delve deep into long-forgotten printing processes that were employed by photographers in the 19th century, while others push boundaries and point toward the future of the medium.

"We strive to show a diverse array of exhibitions at the gallery, which has been located in the Sunset Center for decades," Jastrab said. "We're a little bit off the beaten path of Ocean Avenue, but it's well worth the detour to stop by our space to see the work on the walls or perhaps sign up for an artist talk or lecture. Please come by soon to be inspired."

## Best Sculpture Gallery

**Bennett Sculpture Carmel** — Dolores between Fifth and Sixth - 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily — (831) 626-3054, bennettsculpturecarmel.com

A perennial Golden Pine Cone winner, Bennett Sculpture Carmel is owned by the mother-daughter team of Debi Bennett and painter and jeweler Ashley Bennett-Stoddard. The two carry on a legacy that was started decades ago by Debi's late husband and sculptor, Bob Bennett, and his brother Tom. The gallery is also home to the creations of Tom's daughter, sculptor Terrie Bennett. "Our mission is to maintain the integrity of the Bennett Bronze Classics while continuing to add innovative and creative new art to our gallery collection," its owners say.

## Best Art Gallery

**Carmel Art Association** — Dolores between Fifth and Sixth - open by appointment - (831) 624-6176, carmelart.org

In a town with a rich artistic history, the Carmel Art Association has no peer in the contest for the town's creative heartbeat. Founded in 1927, its early members included some of the era's greatest artists, and today, it represents nearly 100 of the region's finest painters, printmakers and sculptors. Artists are juried in and represent a wide range of art forms — historic members include Wah Ming Chang, who worked for Disney studios and on Hollywood movies before becoming a successful sculptor; painter, muralist and lithographer Maxine Albro, whose work can be seen in Coit Tower in San Francisco, and cartoonists including Eldon Dedini, whose drawings have been seen in posters for the Concours d'Elegance, Gus Arriola of "Gordo" fame, and The Pine Cone's own Bill Bates. The downtown gallery hosts monthly shows, meet-the-artist receptions, films, lectures and concerts.

## Best Performing Arts Company or Group

**Pacific Repertory Theatre** — Monte

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*Verde between Eighth and Ninth – (831) 622-0100, [pacrep.org](http://pacrep.org)*

Founded in 1982 by longtime creative director Stephen Moorer, PacRep is Monterey Peninsula's premier theater group, producing an array of plays, musicals and concerts. The theater company celebrates the genius of William Shakespeare each year with a festival in his name, kicks off the New Year with a rock 'n' roll tribute concert and mentors the next generation of actors through its School of Dramatic Arts. PacRep's latest offering is a musical version of "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," which opens at the Forest Theater Nov. 25.

### ■ Best Concert Venue

**Sunset Center** — *San Carlos btw. Eighth and 10th – (831) 620-2048, [sunsetcenter.org](http://sunsetcenter.org)*

Owned by the city, Sunset Center attracts world-class talent to its main stage. Once the historic Sunset School, it has been transformed into a state-of-the-art facility with soaring ceilings and excellent acoustics.

Sunset's 2023-24 lineup includes performances by Los Lobos, the Righteous Brothers, Bela Fleck, Mannheim Steamroller, and Bruce Hornsby, as well as classical music concerts presented by local groups like Monterey Symphony, Chamber Music Monterey Bay, Carmel Music Society and Youth Music Monterey County.

Sunset Center is also home to the Carmel Bach Festival, one of the longest-running musical events in the country, and the Marjorie Evans Gallery, which hosts art exhibits.

### ■ Best Place to Relax and Listen to Music

**Folktale Winery** — *8940 W. Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley – (831) 293-7500, [folktalewinery.com](http://folktalewinery.com)*

The perfect place to sip wine and enjoy live music in a garden setting, Folktale Winery in Carmel Valley is a sought-after venue for local acoustic musicians, mostly solo artists or duos. It also provides a stage for out-of-town acts and has hosted shows by several up-and-coming country music stars.

Located in Carmel Valley with stunning views of the nearby mountains, the former Chateau Julien was bought in 2015 by local winemaker, Gregory Ahn, and renamed Folktale Winery & Vineyards. "The name is inspired by the thrill of discovery, the joy of gathering, and the idea that every great bottle of wine holds a story," according to its website.

### ■ Best Local Music Group (classical)

**Monterey Symphony** — *(831) 646-8511, [montereymsymphony.org](http://montereymsymphony.org)*

Seventy-six years after playing its first concert, the Monterey Symphony kicked off its 2023-24 season Oct. 7 with the first of six performances scheduled at Sunset Center. Led by music director Jayce Ogren, who took over last year, the symphony is committed to fulfilling its goal to "engage, educate and excite our community through the performance and continual discovery of symphonic music." In addition to performing the classics, the symphony's repertoires have included music from films like "Fantasia" and this year's "Love Letter from Hollywood," featuring themes and music from "Moon River" to Disney's "Coco."

### ■ Best Local Music Group (rock, jazz and pop)

**The Bubba Pickens Band** — *[instagram.com/bubbapickens](http://instagram.com/bubbapickens)*

The Bubba Pickens Band continues to win

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## GOLDEN PINE CONES

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over readers of The Pine Cone, earning the somewhat elusive group another Golden Pine Cone.

With four Carmel High School teachers in the lineup, the band serves up a lively mix of bluegrass and folk. If you want to see them play, follow their Instagram page.

“Come out and let loose at one of our upcoming concerts,” the band suggests. “We’ll bring the music, and you can bring the moves.”

## ■ Best Place to Take Visitors

**Point Lobos State Reserve** — Highway 1 south of Carmel — 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. — [pointlobos.org](http://pointlobos.org)

Called the “greatest meeting of land and water in the world” by the late local painter Francis McComas, Point Lobos State Reserve is a magnet not only for painters and photographers, but for just about anyone who loves the outdoors. Famous for its rugged coastline, windswept cypress groves and ancient forest of Monterey pines, it’s remarkably accessible, and some of its trails than can even accommodate wheelchairs. It’s also home to one of the richest marine environments anywhere — every weekend, scores of scuba divers explore the mysterious world beneath the waves. If you want to show off the best of where we live, Pine Cone readers agree that Point Lobos is the place to do it.

## ■ Best Local Festival

**Monterey Jazz Festival** — [montereyjazzfestival.org](http://montereyjazzfestival.org)

One of the world’s premier jazz bashes, the Monterey Jazz Festival has attracted world-class talent to the Monterey Fairgrounds since 1958. The three-day festival showcases more than 500 musicians on eight stages. The list of those who have played there reads like a Who’s Who of jazz greats. This year’s gathering included performances by Herbie Hancock, Diane Reeves, Christian McBride, John Scofield, Charles Lloyd, Samara Joy, Snarky Puppy and many others. Through its Next Generation Jazz Band and educational programs, the festival mentors the jazz musicians of tomorrow.

## ■ Best Church-Sponsored Event

**Jewish Food Festival** — [carmelbthisrael.org](http://carmelbthisrael.org)

Hosted annually by Congregation Beth Israel in Carmel Valley, the Jewish Food Festival brings together people and great food. This year’s edition, which happened Aug. 27, celebrated the many charms of “Jewish Soul Food,” including favorites like hot pastrami, brisket, latkes, blintzes, matzo ball soup and egg creams — and so much more. After the pandemic turned the gathering into a drive-through event for the past few years, the in-person festival returned this past summer to Congregation Beth Israel.

## ■ Best Place to Watch the Sunset

## ■ Best Place to Walk Your Dog

## ■ Best Beach

**Carmel Beach** — Ocean and Scenic — free parking along Scenic is permitted from 6 a.m. to midnight — [ci.carmel.ca.us](http://ci.carmel.ca.us)

Carmel Beach is such a part of the fabric of Carmel, it’s no wonder it’s always teeming with people — locals and tourists, alike — especially on a nice day. It’s also no surprise that Carmel is rated one of America’s top beach towns by Travel + Leisure, Thrillist, Trip Advisor and by Pine Cone readers who have consistently made it their choice for Best Beach. Whether you take your dog for a walk, listen to The Valley Piper — local winemaker and bagpiper Greg Freeman — at sunset or simply have a picnic, you are bound to leave with a greater sense of calm and serenity. Carmel Beach is also one of the most dog-friendly beaches you will ever visit — at sunrise and sunset, canines of every imaginable shape and size can be seen dashing and splashing along the shoreline.

## ■ Best Hiking Trail

**Palo Corona Regional Park** — 4860 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley — [mprpd.org/palo-corona-regional-park](http://mprpd.org/palo-corona-regional-park)

Once more, readers have voted Palo Corona the best place to take a hike and, since it’s just a few minutes from Highway 1, it’s practically in their backyard. Sparkling new restrooms at the trailhead are a welcome improvement, too. Starting in the parking lot, you can wander the newly installed, flatter trails near the river or take a moderate-to-strenuous hike of 2 miles each way to Inspiration Point, with a steady climb through an elevation gain of about 850 feet before arriving at a hard-earned bench. The trail extends farther, with another section recently opened, but for many people, just getting that birds-eye view of Carmel Point, Carmel River Beach, Point Lobos and Carmel Valley is enough. Along the way, you will pass through an oak forest and maybe see some cows and bunnies. So, pull on your hiking boots, pack a picnic — don’t forget water — and enjoy the beauty in our very own backyard.

## ■ My Favorite Park

**Garland Ranch Regional Park** — 700 W. Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley — dawn to dusk daily — [mprpd.org](http://mprpd.org)

According to its website, Garland Ranch Regional Park is the granddaddy of the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District — the first of the district’s park acquisitions. Garland Ranch Regional Park was purchased in 1975 from William Garland II, who the district said “generously gifted a portion of the cost by reducing the purchase price to below fair market value.” From the tree-lined banks of the Carmel River,

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■ **Best Fitness/Health Center**

**Carmel Valley Athletic Club** — 27300 Rancho San Carlos Road, Carmel Valley — 5:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday, 6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and Sunday — (831) 624-2737, [cvaonline.com](http://cvaonline.com)

Established 54 years ago, the Carmel Valley Athletic Club — "the local's resort" — gives members just about everything they need for their health and fitness goals, while providing a sense of community. CVAC offers state-of-the-art fitness equipment to help you stay in shape, as well as group exercise classes, personal training services and social events, including weekend drop-in tennis. A two-story fitness center, 50-plus weekly group exercise classes, a heated 25-yard lap and recreation pool, family and adult hot tubs, social activities for adults and kids, childcare for youngsters ages 6 weeks to 12 years, and a bocce ball court are among the CVAC's offerings. The cafe serves fresh and healthy options for gym goers, from veggie wraps, to smoothies, the best sweet potato fries with aioli (all right, not the most virtuous snack, but hey, you just worked out), and much more, including daily specials. Members have access to the newly renovated — and Golden Pine Cone-winning — Refuge, "America's first co-ed outdoor relaxation spa."

■ **Best Yoga Studio**

**Seaside Yoga Sanctuary** — Carmel Plaza, Ocean and Mission — 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday — (831) 899-9642, [seasideyogasanctuary.com](http://seasideyogasanctuary.com)

Seaside Yoga Sanctuary in Carmel Plaza has been building community since 2007. Its mission, stated on its website, "is to serve our community by creating a sanctuary to promote health and wellness through the practice and education of yoga." Seaside Yoga Sanctuary believes that yoga is for everyone — all ages and physical abilities — and their class offerings reflect that philosophy, from prenatal yoga

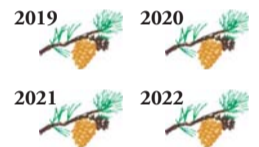
to therapeutic yoga to hatha flow, which focuses on continuous movement, rather than getting into individual poses and holding them. The class schedule also reflects the rhythm of the year, with seasonal classes like Autumn Moon Salutation. They offer outdoor classes (at Folktales Winery, for example)

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and online versions via livestream, although the studio hosts several classes daily. In addition to group classes, the studio offers private, individual instruction, corporate events, workshops and special events.

### ■ Best Golf Course

**Pebble Beach Golf Links** — 1700 17 Mile Drive, Pebble Beach — hours vary by season — (831) 574-5609, [pebblebeach.com](http://pebblebeach.com)

Pebble Beach Golf Links is voted in again as a readers' favorite, which is not a surprise considering it's a universal favorite among golfers. Boasting over a century of top-notch golf with breathtaking views, the links opened for play in 1919. Who wouldn't want to walk in the footsteps of Jack Nicklaus, Arnold Palmer and a host of legendary players, not to mention the celebrities who've appeared during the Crosby Clambake, now known as the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am. Since the pro-am arrived here in 1947, it's been played by presidents, show business A-listers, professional athletes from other sports and corporate bigwigs.

Rated the No. 1 public course in the United States by pretty much everyone, and steeped in history like no other American course, Pebble Beach hosted its sixth U.S. Open in 2019 — more than any other location over the last five decades. Four more U.S. Opens are already on the books for 2027, 2032, 2037 and 2044. This year saw the course's first U.S. Women's Open, with plans for three more in 2035, 2040 and 2048.

### ■ Best Museum

**Monterey Museum of Art** — 559 Pacific St., Monterey — 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday through Thursday - (831) 372-5477, [montereyart.org](http://montereyart.org)

The Monterey Museum of Art was founded in 1959, and, according to its website, its collections “reflect and support the museum’s mission to celebrate and promote the art of California and cover the period from about 1875 to the present.” The museum’s vision is “a collaborative center where art and community engage” — and engage it does.

In addition to offering 15-20 exhibits annually, the museum regularly hosts community events for the whole family to enjoy, from La Mirada Halloween Bash, to a Winter Art Market in December. Year-round First Fridays offer after-hours access to the museum with music and socializing.

Even after the museum closes for the day, art lovers can sit in the mural garden, where a welcoming bench awaits, and enjoy a book or simply revel in the presence of nature and beauty.

### ■ Best Library

**Harrison Memorial Library** — Mission and Sixth — 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday — (831) 624-4629, [ci.carmel.ca.us/library](http://ci.carmel.ca.us/library)

“If you have a garden and a library, you have everything you need,” Cicero said, long before Carmel was founded. Since the Harrison Memorial Library also has a garden, it checks both boxes for the city. Opened in 1928, Harrison Memorial Library was designed by renowned California architect Bernard Maybeck and financed by a bequest from Ella Reid Harrison as a memorial to her husband, California Supreme Court Justice Ralph Chandler Harrison.

In 1992, the library began to rely solely on private gifts for books, supplies, electronic resources and computer equipment. Today, it says private support “has become the foundation of the library’s free public services.” In addition to books and a beautifully manicured garden, the library offers many community resources and lectures, such as writing workshops and a free, community-wide puzzle exchange. (If you can't get enough of the online archives on The Pine Cone's website, you can find the rest of the newspaper's 100-plus years through Harrison Memorial Library's website, too.)

### ■ Best Inn/B&B

**Carmel Garden Inn** — Fourth and Torres — (831) 624-6926, [carmelgardeninn.com](http://carmelgardeninn.com)

Carmel Garden Inn has once been voted by Pine Cone readers as the Best Inn/B&B around. Everything about this place is quaint and screams — or delicately whispers — “Carmel-by-the-Sea.” With 10 cozy guest rooms with wood-burning fireplaces in a charming garden setting, what's not to love? Guests enjoy the breakfasts, especially the homemade granola and summer vegetable frittatas. The Inn offers complimentary wine and cheese in the afternoon to complete a stress-free vacation or staycation.

Just three blocks from Ocean Avenue, Carmel Garden Inn is walking distance from everything, including Carmel Beach where you can watch the sunset or enjoy a stroll with your pooch, who is welcome at the Inn. “Many of the rooms are designated pet friendly. Sheeted dog beds, food and water bowls, treats — we understand. We are dog people, too,” says the inn's management.

### ■ Best Hotel

**La Playa Hotel** — Camino Real and Eighth - (800) 582-8900, [laplayahotel.com](http://laplayahotel.com)

Set in a mansion built in 1905, La Playa Hotel offers a modern luxury experience in charming downtown. A short walk from Carmel Beach — your Favorite Beach — La Playa is perfectly located for guests to enjoy everything Carmel has to offer. Not only that, they can splurge with plush platform beds, a complimentary Champagne brunch and a spacious garden with a heated pool. All 75 rooms offer boutique charm and the promise of pampering.

The employees at La Playa pride themselves on excellent service and strive to make every guest's experience unique and memorable. Locals can frequently be found enjoying cocktails and light bites at Bud's Bar.

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## ■ Most Dog-Friendly Hotel

**Cypress Inn/Terry’s Restaurant & Lounge** — Lincoln and Seventh — 11:30 a.m. 9:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday, brunch 11 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sunday — (831) 624-3871, cypress-inn.com; (831) 620-7454, carmelterrys.com

Once again voted by readers as Carmel’s most dog-friendly hotel, Cypress Inn has charmed visitors since its opening in 1929. The décor feels so Golden-Age-of-Hollywood sophisticated, you’re bound to be enchanted. Continuing the legacy of late co-owner, legendary singer, actress and animal lover Doris Day, the hotel’s philosophy takes pet friendliness to the next level. “By combining Mediterranean grace and

charm with warm hospitality and exemplary service, Cypress Inn has drawn everyone from kings, queens and Hollywood royalty, to the everyday traveler, and especially all those who like to travel with their pets,” the inn says. Doggie pick-up bags and a wash station are available in the hotel’s courtyard, and the staff keeps a list of pet sitters on hand for when Mom and Dad are ready for a break.

Pets of all shapes and sizes are welcome to enjoy the same hospitality as their owners, so bring your furry family members for a real treat. Speaking of treats, there are always little snacks for your pooch in the lobby.

If you’re hungry, Terry’s Restaurant and Lounge loves feeding people, using fresh organic produce from local farms whenever possible, and sustainable wild-caught seafood and grass-fed meats.

But, getting back to the dogs, bring your buddy to “Yappy

hour” Sunday through Thursday from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on the patio to meet other canines-about-town. Weekly live music is one of Carmel’s not-so-best-kept secrets, featuring local musicians from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Thursdays and Sundays and 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

## RETAIL

### ■ Best Florist

**Fleurs du Soleil** — 598 Fremont St., Monterey — 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday — (831) 656-0455, fleursdusoleil.com

Customers come into Fleurs du Soleil, not just to order a fresh, natural, picked-from-the-garden arrangement, but also for the experience. Walking into the floral design studio and retail boutique across from El Estero Park is like getting a glimpse of Filoli or other historic gardens. With influences from the south of France and the Monterey Peninsula, Fleurs du Soleil designers curate bouquets to create an alchemy of natural beauty with the substance and form, color and design inherent in fine art.

Although floral designer and owner Kim England locally sources most of her flowers, she also introduces blooms from all over the world, which she finds at the San Francisco Flower Market.

### ■ Best Furniture Store

**Mum’s Place** — 246 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove — 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday — (831) 372-6250, mumsfurniture.com

Step into Mum’s and you’ll find a showroom filled with a full range of furniture styles, plus accessories and objets d’art. For nearly 40 years, Mum’s has been dedicated to bringing in a wide variety of designs to satisfy locals’ needs, tastes and budgets.

“Design and quality are important, but so is value,” said owners Mugo and Talin Tersakyan. “Our vision is to bring in the latest and enduring designs at accessible prices.”

Among classic, traditional, transitional, country French and contemporary collections at Mum’s Place, clients can customize their choices with more than 80 furniture lines and some 5,000 fabrics.

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## SUPERLATIVE

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### ■ Best Golf Shop

**Pebble Beach Pro Shop** — 1700 17 Mile Drive, Pebble Beach — 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. daily — (831) 622-8723, [pebblebeach.com](http://pebblebeach.com)

Pebble Beach Golf Links is known the world over for its championship pedigree and breathtaking views, and while these attributes draw guests to the resort from around the globe, it is the friendly staff of the Pebble Beach pro shop who are there to welcome first-timers and returning guests alike.

Each round played on the famed course is unique to the player, but one thing all of them enjoy is a warm greeting and welcome back after they hole out on the iconic par-5 18th.

Each morning, the team is up with the sun and there until well after the final group has teed off. Whether someone needs more golf balls, an extra layer of clothing or a few calming words of encouragement before they approach the First Tee, the Pebble Beach pro shop staff lives up to the same world-class standard as the course itself.

### ■ Best Hardware Store

**Ace Hardware** — 290 Crossroads Blvd., (831) 293-8050; 401 Mid Valley Center, Carmel Valley, (831) 250-5666; 229 Forest Ave., (831) 372-3284 and 1136 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove, (831) 646-9144 — hours vary by location — [acehardware.com](http://acehardware.com)

Imagine a beautiful Saturday afternoon when you've brought home a special piece of art from one of the local galleries and you want to hang it immediately — but you don't have the right hook. Or, less aesthetically, you've discovered a plumbing problem that you know would be an easy fix if you just had the right stuff. Whether it's duct tape, WD40 or some other antidote, Ace Hardware has you covered. Although each shop is a member of the largest retailer-owned hardware cooperative in the business, these stores, locally owned and managed, give customers a sense of shopping where everybody knows your name — with the benefit of a big business. In an era when it's hard to find specialized service or even someone to work the register, a company that says, "Ace is the place with the helpful hardware folks" invites confidence.

### ■ Best Housewares Store

**Shoshin** — San Carlos between Fifth and Sixth — 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday — (831) 877-6300, [shopshoshin.com](http://shopshoshin.com)

Shoshin owner Alexis Smith named her interior design firm and shop after the concept of "beginner's mind" from Zen Buddhism as a reminder to herself and her clients and customers that an openness to new ideas can yield exciting design discoveries. As last year's Best New Business, Shoshin is quickly growing a devoted customer base that enjoys the shop's mix of new and vintage housewares and furnishings with an ever-evolving array of unique and high quality items.

### ■ Best Pet Store

**Diggidy Dog** — NE Corner of Ocean at Monte Verde — 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday — (831) 625-1585, [diggidydog.com](http://diggidydog.com)

It only makes sense for a dog-loving community to have a dedicated dog boutique. Since 2003, this shop has catered to canines but also focuses on felines, providing unique, functional, and healthy products for dogs and cats. While its primary focus is on the animals, a lot of what the shop sells delights people as much as — if not more than — it does their pets. Diggidy Dog's wide array of quality treats, toys, apparel, collars and leashes is sure to satisfy the most discerning dog or finicky feline — and their person. Yet surely the biggest attractions are the Westies who hang out there daily, and a new addition, Danny Boy. He's an English cream golden retriever. The trio might make this the happiest store in town.

### ■ Best Garden Shop

**Griggs Nursery** — 9220 W. Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday — (831) 626-0680, [griggsnursery.com](http://griggsnursery.com)

Gardeners have long known that digging your hands into the soil has a centering, nurturing effect. Locals count on Griggs Nursery for houseplants and succulents, seasonal annuals, perennials, trees and shrubs, to upgrade the places where they enjoy spending their days. For 20 years, Griggs has been thriving in its Carmel Valley location, helping to improve the local landscape one plant at a time. "We know what works here, so we can grow the variety and quality we want for our customers," the Griggs family said. "A garden shop is evergreen, and there's always something in bloom."

### ■ Best Camping/Skiing/Surfing Store

**On The Beach Surf Shop** — 693 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove — 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday — (831) 646-9283, [onthebeachsurfshop.com](http://onthebeachsurfshop.com)

Kelly Sorenson was just 20 years old in 1986 when he and Mike Locatelli founded On The Beach Surf Shop on Ocean and Mission. Three years later, he became the sole owner of the company and, in 1993, opened a second store on Lighthouse Avenue in Monterey. Six years later, he closed the Carmel Store. Today, On The Beach sprawls across nearly 6,000 square feet of tropical-themed retail space designed by Sorenson and created by contractor Chris Murren. With bamboo and beach sand throughout, tiki huts filled with clothing, and classic surfboards from the Pete and Cathy Noble collection, On The Beach, said Sorenson, feels like a surfer's paradise, with gear from all the coolest surf and skate companies. "What means the most is seeing the California surf community make On The Beach their hangout and source to live the lifestyle," he said.

### ■ Best Place to Buy Athletic Wear

**The Treadmill** — 111 Crossroads Blvd. — 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily — (831) 624-4112, [thetreadmill.com](http://thetreadmill.com)

For more than 40 years, The Treadmill in the Crossroads shopping center has endeavored to be the embodiment of a friendly, community-driven, trustworthy local business that supports and anchors the active community in and around Carmel, Carmel Valley, Big Sur and Monterey. Since 1983, the family-owned and operated store has been known to locals as an outstanding place to find premier clothing and footwear brands. After visiting and talking with the shop's experienced and knowledgeable staff, it becomes clear why Carmel Pine Cone readers have voted The Treadmill the go-to place for everything you need to support your healthy lifestyle, year after year.

### ■ Best Pharmacy

**Carmel Drug Store** — Ocean between Dolores and San Carlos — pharmacy 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday - Friday, store 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily — (831) 624-3819, [carmeldrugstore.com](http://carmeldrugstore.com)

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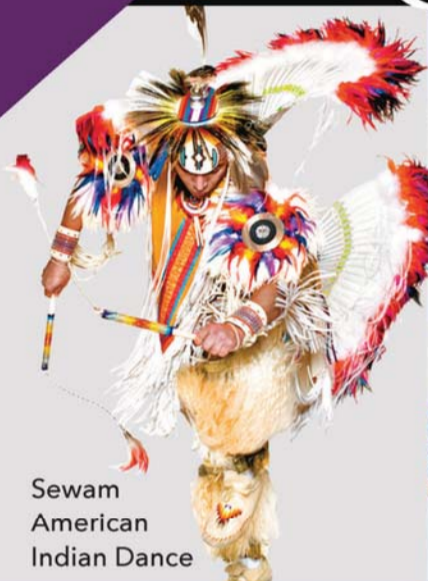
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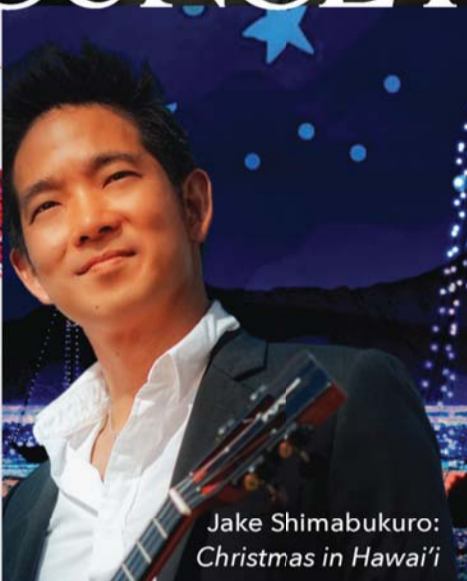
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## MARQUEE EVENTS

**Straight No Chaser**  
Sunday, October 29, 2023 • 3pm

**Mannheim Steamroller**  
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Saturday, December 30, 2023  
2pm & 7:30pm

## BEYOND BROADWAY

**The Other Mozart**  
Saturday, March 9, 2024 • 7:30pm

**The Simon & Garfunkel Story**  
Sunday, April 7, 2024 • 3:00pm

**Broadway's Next Hit Musical**  
Thursday, May 23, 2024 • 7:30pm

## CULTURAL AFFAIRS

**Sewam American Indian Dance**  
Friday, November 3, 2023 • 7:30pm

**Mardi Gras Mambo**  
Thursday, February 8, 2024 • 7:30pm

**Pride Anthems**  
Saturday, June 1, 2024 • 7:30pm



Straight No Chaser

## MUSICAL MASTERS

**Béla Fleck, Zakir Hussain & Edgar Meyer featuring Rakesh Chaurasia**  
Tuesday, November 14, 2023 • 7:30pm

**JALC Live: Sing and Swing featuring Bria Skonberg & Benny Benack**  
Friday, January 26, 2024 • 7:30pm

**Classic Albums Live: Sticky Fingers**  
Thursday, February 1, 2024 • 7:30pm

**One Night of Queen**  
Friday, February 23, 2024 • 7:30pm

**Trailblazing Women of Country: From Patsy to Loretta to Dolly**  
Thursday, March 7, 2024 • 7:30pm

**Bruce Hornsby & yMusic Present: BrhYM**  
Thursday, April 4, 2024 • 7:30pm

## FUN FOR ALL

**Jake Shimabukuro: Christmas in Hawai'i**  
Sunday, December 17, 2023 • 7:30pm

**Lula Washington Dance Theatre**  
Friday, March 22, 2024 • 7:30pm

**Mike Super: Magic & Illusion**  
Friday, May 3, 2024 • 7:30pm

## WIT & WISDOM

**In Conversation with Amy Sedaris**  
Friday, November 10, 2023 • 7:30pm

**Kevin Nealon**  
Saturday, January 27, 2024 • 7:30pm

**Letters Aloud: Love Me or Leave Me**  
Wednesday, February 14, 2024 • 7:30pm

**An Evening with Anne Lamott**  
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## GOLDEN PINE CONES

## PRIMO

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1910, Carmel's classic drug store and family pharmacy invites you to "shop back in time." Known for quality products and service, this drugstore might just be the most convenient stop in town and is chock-full of everything folks might need or maybe forgot on their way into town. The back of the shop looks like the old-fashioned pharmacy it is, yet it provides state-of-the-art products, including veterinary medicines for pets. The front of the store offers greeting cards, postcards and books by local authors, and you can find high-end bath and body products, including Bonny Doon Farm's soaps, salves and lotions. If only the place had a soda fountain, it would complete the hometown experience.

### ■ Best Children's Clothing Store/Boutique

**Heaven A Child's Boutique** — Lincoln between Ocean and Seventh — 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday & Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday — (831) 624-6550

Ash and Monique Vasanji, who hosted the grand opening of Heaven in 2001, are celebrating the 23rd anniversary of their European-style children's boutique, designed for the customer who has exquisite taste and seeks quality and style for their little ones. "Throughout the years," Monique said, "our family has remained committed to bringing in really special clothing, shoes, and gifts for the children of our community and beyond. We are so grateful for the support and recognition." Located on Lincoln in the site of the legendary Village Straw Shop, Heaven beckons customers through double doors into a gracious, well-lit salon appointed with very select children's apparel. It's as if you've wandered into the custom wardrobe of a favored child. Perhaps yours.

### ■ Best Men's Clothing Store

**Khakis of Carmel** — Carmel Plaza — 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday - Saturday, 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Sunday — (831) 625-8106, khakisofcarmel.com

Gentlemen who shop at Khakis stand out in a crowd — but only if they want to. The shop's timeless sense of good taste means you can make a quiet statement or don something more fashion-forward for an evening in town. Customers out for an afternoon walk often shop the classic display windows at Khaki's as if it were an art exhibit, and then head inside to collect quality classic and couture menswear. Yet this shop's success seems to be rooted in providing the ultimate in customer service. Khakis of Carmel is the award-winning pursuit and passion of Jim and Connie Ockert, whose combined creative and entrepreneurial talents have created a sartorial salon that's stood the test of time. "We have worked tirelessly to be innovative in these ever-changing times, and to curate a really different, interesting product selection that suits today's customer," said Jim. And, he said, they are honored to be chosen as Golden Pine Cone winners.

### ■ Best Men's Shoe Store

**Hedi's Shoes** — Ocean and Mission (additional locations at 3630 The Barnyard, and 330 Alvarado St. and Del Monte Shopping Center in Monterey) — 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily — (831) 624-5580, hedi.com

Haydar "Hedi" Movahedi opened his first Carmel shoe store more than 30 years ago. Since then, he's cobbled together comfort, quality, convenience and cool, paired with customer service from experienced staff who understand fit, form and function. Their goal is to make sure customers feel just as good as they look as they stroll along Scenic Road or enjoy brunch at the Mission Ranch. Featured among various brands offering dressy, casu-

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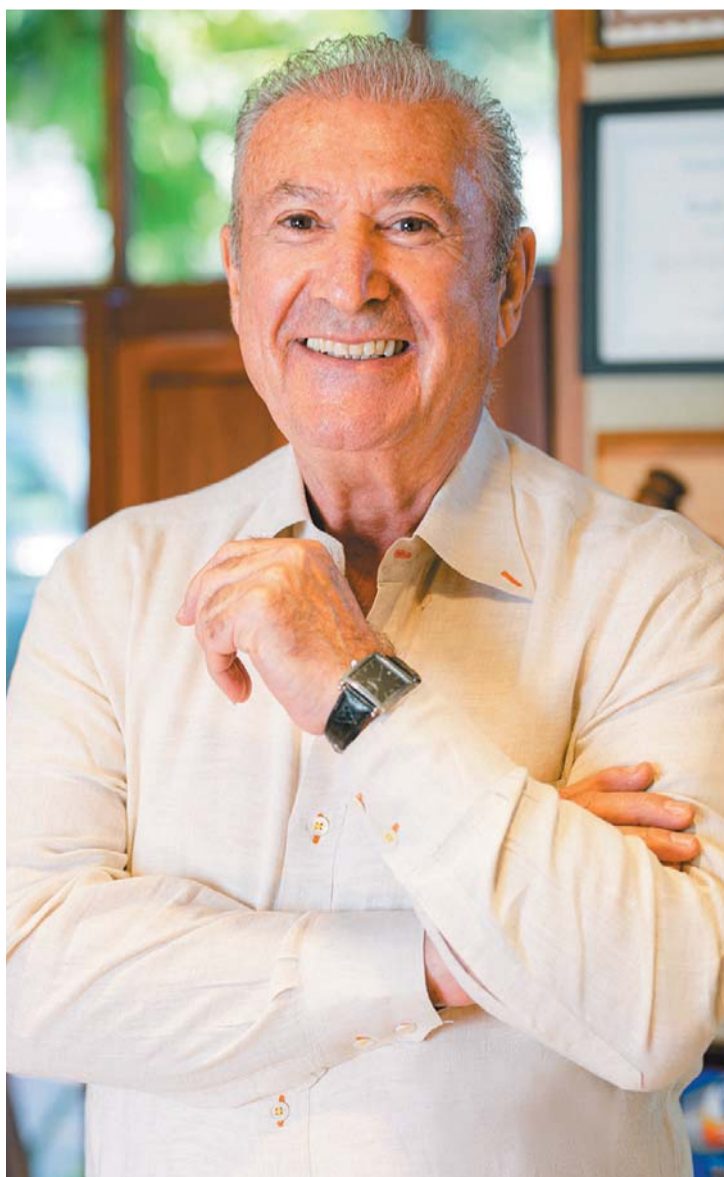
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Kirkor Kocek is concentrating. He's in that place where nothing exists outside of the singular piece of jewelry he's creating—nothing but his vision, his materials, and his history, which influences his craft. Everything and everyone who has come before him remains ever present as he works. And thus, each creation carries a sense of who he is and what he represents.

Kocek, who celebrated his 50th anniversary of Kocek Jeweler, Inc., is grateful to his past and also his present, the community who celebrates and collects his artistry.

*"Where I grew up, where I have traveled, and where I live now informs my work," he said, "becoming a symbol and reminder of my own legacy."*

Born Kirkor Kocekian in Istanbul, the artist began learning the craft of fine jewelry when he was just 11 years old, having raised his hand in class to accept an opportunity to apprentice under a master jeweler. After a stint in the Turkish Army, he felt it was time to leave the country to which he never felt a connection, and come to California. While he was working with a jeweler who created pieces for Van Cleef & Arpels on Rodeo Drive in Beverly Hills, a chance visit to Carmel-by-the-Sea launched the creative life Kocek was meant to live.

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# G O L D E N P I N E C O N E S

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al, or rough-wear shoes, are Ecco, Pikolinos, Mephisto, Paul Greene, HOKA, Birkenstock, NAOT, Ara, Dansko, Joseph Seibel, Rieker, Remonte, Olukei, and Finn Comfort, plus a complement of Kuhl clothing and accessories.

**Best Women’s Clothing Boutique**

**Debra C** — 129 Crossroads Blvd. – 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday – (831) 624-9400 – [debrac.com](http://debrac.com)

Debra Couch, clad in a cashmere twinset over a slim pant, pulled together with a fabulous alligator belt, makes it look easy. “It is,” she says, particularly if you shop at Debra C, her eponymous boutique of European designer apparel for women. She started with a store in Beverly Hills in 1997. Then, in 2012, she opened a second store at the Crossroads.

She said that the important thing, whether you are looking at the many French and Italian collections exclusive to Debra C, or even its own private label, is that you don’t have to look any further to find what you want. “It’s all about the way it’s put together, to give the total chic, elegant look. And we pride ourselves on great customer service, thanks to our wonderful, talented staff.”

**Best Resale/Consignment Shop**

**Yellow Brick Road Benefit Shop** — 26388 Carmel Rancho Blvd. – 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday – (831) 626-8480, [yellowbrickroadbenefitshop.org](http://yellowbrickroadbenefitshop.org)

Circa 1989, Shirin Snyder, wife of Rev. John Snyder, then pastor of Carmel Presbyterian Church, had a dream. She wanted her church to become more closely connected to the people of Monterey County. By establishing Yellow Brick Road Benefit Shop, she found meaningful and productive ways to offer some people a chance to give back while providing an opportunity for others to score bargains and raise funds to support locals in need. Thrift shoppers love coming here because they know they can find designer clothing (occasionally with the original tags still attached), interesting accessories and all sorts of household goods, all in a clean, well-organized environment. Yellow Brick Road has grown into three locations: the main store (clothing, household items and collectibles), a bookstore and a furniture and art store. It’s generated more than \$7 million, which has been given back to Monterey County through grants to nonprofit organizations and student scholarships.

- Best Women’s Accessories
- Best Place to Buy Designer Clothes
- Best Vintage Clothing Store

**Foxy Couture Carmel** — San Carlos 2SW of Fifth – 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Monday – (831) 625-9995, [foxicouturecarmel.com](http://foxicouturecarmel.com)

Since 1991, Susan Galvin has recycled vintage and contemporary designer clothing into a business which, more than 10

years ago, became Foxy Couture Carmel, a sustainable luxury designer vintage consignment store. “We are sustainable because everything in our store is pre-owned,” she said. “We recycle and repurpose timeless products from design houses whose allure typically doesn’t change that much. These luxury fabrics and designs have been gently worn or not at all.” Galvin takes pride in the special things she sleuths out all over the world. “We are honored to receive this award from The Carmel Pine Cone, the cornerstone, along with the Carmel library, of our community,” she said.

**Best Women’s Shoe Store**

**Lloyd’s Shoes** — Ocean and Dolores – 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily – (831) 625-1382, [lloydsshoes.com](http://lloydsshoes.com)

For 43 years, Lloyd’s shoes has been a great place to find stylish footwear. In fact, if you want to know what’s “in” this season, just check out what owner Tess Calhoon is sporting. Perhaps the Chie Mihara super-cool platform bootie in black patent leather. Crafted in Elda, Spain, the brand’s bestseller in

Europe feels very fashion-forward and edgy. Calhoon prefers to pair them with her kick-flair or straight-leg jeans.

On other days, Calhoon and quite a few of her customers slip on slides with little heels or maybe booties in calf hair and leather by Cydwoq (a play on “sidewalk”), whose vegetable-dyed leather handmade works of art look like Spain meets Lebanon, but they’re made in the United States.

Honestly, by the time Tess Calhoon gets home to her young family, she’s already slipped on her Uggs, the legendary feel-good sheepskin boot with soft fleece lining and a comfortable “your feet will thank you” fit. Everyone must agree, since Calhoon can’t remember when she’s carried or sold more of the casual footwear that has become an all-occasion boot.

**Best Jewelry Store**

**Kocek Jeweler** — San Carlos between Seventh and Ocean – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday – (831) 624-8485, [kocekjeweler.com](http://kocekjeweler.com)


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This month, Kocek Jeweler, Inc. is celebrating its 50th anniversary in the heart of Carmel. More than 60 years ago, the owner and acclaimed designer, Armenian native Kirkor Kocek, began his apprenticeship at a jewelry store in the Covered Bazaar in Istanbul, Turkey. Decades later, his clients have included Clint Eastwood, Ronald Reagan, Bette Davis, Bob Hope and former Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger.

He gave his most cherished design to the late Pope John Paul II, a cross modeled after the one buried with Father Junipero Serra at the Carmel Mission. You can see a photograph of it in the store. Kocek has become an icon of Carmel, winning numerous business awards and supporting local nonprofits.

**Best Shopping Center**

**The Crossroads Carmel** — Highway 1 at Rio Road — open daily — (831) 625-4106, [thecrossroadscarmel.com](http://thecrossroadscarmel.com)

Where can you grab a cup of coffee and a pastry before pe-

using the best books, then shop for groceries, gifts, gadgets, athleisure wear and designer apparel — all without having to move your car? The Crossroads Carmel, the wonderfully eclectic collection of boutique stores, restaurants and services, has served Monterey Peninsula residents and visitors for about five decades. Nearly all the businesses in the Crossroads are locally owned and/or operated, so you can count on unique stores and dining experiences. Our readers believe it truly is the perfect place for one-stop shopping.

**Best Antique Shop**

**Wittpenn's Antiques** — San Carlos between Seventh and Eighth — 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily, closed Wednesdays — (831) 624-1336, [wittpensantiques.com](http://wittpensantiques.com)

This place definitely warrants wandering with patience and attention to detail. At Wittpenn's Antiques, there is so much to see and something for everyone to discover. Owned by Chip and Kathy Wittpenn, this treasure trove is a short stroll from Ocean Avenue, near Sunset Center. Just the windows of this

little gem feature enough eye-catching collectibles to keep shoppers occupied for a while. Browse a wide selection of antiques and specialty items, including sterling silver, furniture, books, vintage musical instruments and more. With 18 years in Carmel and still going strong, the owners wanted to thank the city and all the customers who make the shop a fun, special place to be.

**Best Bookstore**

**River House Books** — 208 Crossroads Blvd. — 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday — (831) 626-2665, [riverhousebookscarmel.com](http://riverhousebookscarmel.com)

A repeat Golden Pine Cone winner for good reason, River House Books offers its customers what massive online retailers will never be able to — the chance to hold and leaf through a brand new book before purchasing it. A family-owned, independent bookseller, River House offers an excellent selection of works, from the classics to architecture to youth favorites and gardening. Its employees are highly knowledgeable and friendly and happy to help. From River House Books itself: "Choose from an exciting and changing selection of new works in the humanities and sciences, best-selling fiction and nonfiction, children's classics, youth favorites, travel, foreign and domestic magazines and newspapers, plus gift-worthy architecture, art, cooking, gardening, interior design, photography, sports and recreation and wine books."

**Best Bike Shop**

**Carmel Bicycle** — 26543 Carmel Rancho Blvd. — 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday — (831) 625-2211, [carmelbicycle.net](http://carmelbicycle.net)

Established in 1988, Carmel Bicycle began with a motivation to share a passion for cycling, according to the business. Conveniently located in Carmel Rancho, Carmel Bicycle offers a great selection of bicycles, clothing and accessories, from manufacturers including Trek, Giant, Saris, Kuaat, Bontrager, Feedback Sports, Endura and more. Owners Netty and Rob have been recognized industry leaders with integrated thinking and open minds — all the while maintaining their belief in what they do. "Cycling is good for you," the shop explains. "So come let us share with you what we have to offer. We are what you see, and we love what we do." With enthusiasm like that, you can guess that Carmel Bicycle is perfectly positioned to help you find just what you're looking for. The shop also offers professional bike service. "So, whether it's a minor tune-up or a major overhaul, where we go completely through your bicycle and get it running like new, you can count on us to do the job right the first time, every time," Carmel Bicycle says, adding that walk-ins for bike services are welcome but appointments are helpful.

**Best Car Dealer**

**Porsche Monterey** — 1781 Del Monte Blvd., Seaside — 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday — (831) 920-0744, [porschemonterey.com](http://porschemonterey.com)

If you'd like to own one of the automobile industry's most prestigious marques, Porsche Monterey's got it. From the twin-turbo eight-speed 2024 Porsche 911 (starting at \$114,400), which produces nearly 380 horsepower, to the 2024 Porsche Cayenne SUV (starting at \$79,200), Porsche Monterey offers the German manufacturer's most popular models. The shop also has a selection of certified preowned cars — some almost new — on hand. "Porsche Monterey offers an exceptional selection of hard to find, eclectic, and be-spoke automobiles," the business says on its website. It goes on to say that "having such a selection" makes it "even easier to get your dream car, regardless of where you live."

**Best Auto Repair Shop****Best Gas Station**

**Lemos 76** — 544 Carmel Rancho Blvd. — 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday, 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday — (831) 624-2925, [lemos76.com](http://lemos76.com)

Whether you need to fill up your car before heading to Carmel Valley or are in need of a repair, Lemos 76 — a repeat Golden Pine Cones winner in both categories — has it all. The family-owned/operated station is a local fixture. "For 61 years, our five-star station has been serving the community with our full-service garage/smog testing, 24-hour pay at the pump and full- and self-serve at the pumps," Lemos says on its website. The gas station is well known for its great customer service. Lemos also has a stocked snack shop serving yummy sandwiches from Bruno's Market in Carmel and irresistible donuts from Red's Donuts in Seaside. How can you go wrong?

**Best Car Wash**

**El Estero Car Wash** — 590 Fremont St., Monterey — 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday — (831) 373-1801, [elesterocarwash.com](http://elesterocarwash.com)

El Estero Car Wash has been repeatedly voted Best Car Wash over three decades, so it's obvious the folks there are

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doing it right. When it comes to the wash itself, El Estero uses a soap called Envirosoft Foam,” which the business says is made from a “high quality microcellular closed-cell foam,” which it maintains is a “significant development” for cleaning vehicles because it’s gentle on their finishes.

“It does not absorb water, chemicals or dirt, providing the highest level of safety, cleaning and shine” and has been used on more than 750,000 cars that have gone through El Estero, according to the business. El Estero also offers numerous interior and exterior detailing services, such as waxing with clay treatment, headlight renewal to make those dull and cloudy headlights bright again, and carpet shampoo and leather and vinyl seat conditioning.

**Best Place for Brides to Shop**

**Epiphany Bridal Boutique** — *Mission between Fifth and Sixth – 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. – (831) 626-7200, epiphany-boutique.com*

Calling itself the California central coast’s “premier bridal” shop, Epiphany Bridal Boutique offers bridal gowns, bridesmaids’ dresses, dresses for mothers in the wedding party, and rental suits and tuxedos for the groom and groomsmen. In its own words, Epiphany loves what it does and that’s apparent on its website.

“As we enter our 15th year in business, our goal is and always has been, to make the bride, our bridesmaids, moms, prom girls and all the lovely ladies who enter our doors have the most wonderful shopping experience,” Epiphany says. The Carmel business — which also has a store in San Luis Obispo — knows very well that what one wears makes a difference in how one feels. A dress, it explains, isn’t just a dress.

“It’s an expression of who you are and how you present yourself to the world. These

are dresses that you will wear to the most important events in your life.”

**Best Gift Shop**

**Ami Carmel** — *Dolores between Fifth and Sixth – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily – (831) 620-1600, amicarmel.com*

Ami Carmel is on a roll. Not only did the gift shop win a Golden Pine Cone in 2021 for Best New Business, it won Best Gift Shop in 2022 and has secured the same title in 2023. Ami Carmel, owned by Annee Martin, offers jewelry, artwork, gift cards, accessories, home décor and even clothing.

“We come to this business with a deep, personal connection to one another, and we want to share our vision with the people, not only in our brick and mortar store in Carmel-by-the-Sea, but online as well,” the shop explains.

**Best Candy Shop**

**Cottage of Sweets** — *Ocean between Monte Verde and Lincoln – 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Sunday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday and Saturday – (831) 624-5170, cottagesweets.com*

Many residents and frequent tourists find visiting the Cottage of Sweet as irresistible as its homemade chocolate fudge. “I’ve taken trips to Carmel with my family starting when I was a little girl back in the early 70s,” Jennifer said on social media. “We’ve always had to stop by my favorite, Cottage of Sweets.” Besides plenty of shop-made candy, Cottage of Sweets also offers a large selection of pre-packaged British candy, such as Mars bars, and a selection of other chocolate, such as Flake, Wispa and Crunchie. While a candy shop seems the perfect use for the quaint and oh-so-Carmel cottage that’s home to Cottage of Sweets, the diminutive structure has a lengthy history dating to 1922, when it was a weaving shop. A side window was used to sell tickets to the Court of the Golden Bough

Theatre until it burned down in 1938, Cottage of Sweets explains on its website. A Canadian man, Wally Cullomore, decided that the town needed a candy shop, so he set about creating just that, history tells us. “So, in 1959 the curtain was raised on a much-loved

performance,” the store says. We are now the award-winning [best-smelling and best-tasting] shop in Carmel,” Cottage of Sweets proudly proclaims.

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## Best Carpet and Flooring Store

**Carpets & Floors** — 471 Lighthouse Ave., Monterey — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, by appointment Saturday, closed Sunday — (831) 372-2300, [carpetsandfloor-smonterey.com](http://carpetsandfloor-smonterey.com)

With a large selection of flooring from carpet to hardwood to luxury vinyl tile, Carpets & Floors in Monterey means there's no need to go to a big box home improvement store seeking those things. "We are pleased to present an extensive collection of the finest floor coverings made," Carpets & Floors says. "And we are dedicated to helping you find a solution to your flooring needs. Our collection is based on what

we believe are some of the most important things to consider when dressing floors — quality, durability and sustainability." As the business touts, the staff at Carpets & Floors is topnotch and more than willing to help. It's also a no-pressure kind of place. "May we invite you to visit our showroom to see, touch and learn about our wonderful flooring options. The collection is large — feel free to take your time, browse, ask questions, take home samples, ask for a floor design consultation and/or an expert measure," Carpets & Floors says. "Most of all, please enjoy."

## Best New Business

**Olivia & Daisy Books** — 13766 Center Street, Carmel Valley — 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday to Saturday, noon to 4 p.m., Sunday — (831) 620-9290, [Oliviaanddaisy.com](http://Oliviaanddaisy.com)

The owner of Olivia & Daisy Books, Kelsey Boyte, calls the shop a "bespoke bookstore for all ages in the heart of Carmel Valley."

Not only will you find that Olivia & Daisy Books highlights staff picks and children's favorites, it carries a selection of "Carmel Valley Local Favorites," including "The Fraud," by Zadie Smith, and "A Thousand Acres," by Carmel Valley's Jane Smiley. "We carry literary fiction, nonfiction, memoir, mystery, nature writing, cookbooks, children's books and so much more," the shop says. "Bestsellers and new releases are prominently featured alongside hidden gems and sleeper hits that are sure to inspire, challenge and delight."

And if a book you're looking for isn't in stock, Olivia & Daisy will order it and you can pick it up within a few days.

## Services and Health Care

### Best Place to Work

**Carmel Realty Company** — Dolores south of Seventh — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday — (831) 622-1000, [carmelrealtycompany.com](http://carmelrealtycompany.com)

Established a whopping 113 years ago, Carmel Realty Company — the oldest real estate business in town — is a consistent Golden Pine Cone winner, having received the award many times in multiple categories. With a rich history and family heritage and a reputation for integrity, Carmel Realty said it "operates upon the principles of integrity, work ethic, teamwork, collaboration, communication and customer service." The business adds that it's "very excited and proud of the company, the vision and our team of professionals who have been handpicked, proven and benchmarked as the best in the business." In the century-plus it's been in business, Carmel Realty has established solid relationships with homeowners, visitors, buyers, sellers and tenants. "We leverage our experience and network to make connections between buyers and sellers that no other company on the Peninsula can match," the company says.

- Best Place to Volunteer
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**Monterey Bay Aquarium** — 886 Cannery Row,

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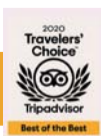
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Monterey – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily – (831) 648-4100, montereybayaquarium.com

Ask most tourists about their trip to the Monterey Peninsula, and it's a good bet they'll say that one of their destinations is the Monterey Bay Aquarium. One of the world's best places to see marine life up close and personal that's not actually underwater, the aquarium offers so much to take that it can be overwhelming — in a good way. Located at the site of a former sardine cannery that John Steinbeck wrote about, the aquarium is a magnet for those who are fascinated by what lies beneath the waves. More than 2 million people each year visit the world-famous destination, which was the first in the world to host a kelp forest.

From "playful sea otters, flashy fishes, mesmerizing jellies and swirling sardines," the Monterey Bay Aquarium offers a lot to take in. There's plenty of educational information. Some exhibits are interactive, and all are entertaining — making it a perfect spot to take the whole family.

You might want to check out "Into the Deep," a new exhibit which takes visitors on a descent into the dark abyss that's "mostly out of sight, but thriving with life." You should also venture to the aquarium's Open Sea exhibit to see passing tuna, schools of shiny sardines, and "sea turtles swim lazily across the 90-foot window." Can't make it to the aquarium just yet? Check out its website for its many live cams, including the famous sea otter cam, which makes it easy to watch the "sea dogs" frolic in their enclosure, or take in the shark and jelly cams. Fun stuff.

## Best Place to Get Married

**Carmel Mission Basilica** — 3080 Rio Road – 10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Sunday, closed Monday and Tuesday – (831) 624-1271, carmelmission.org

The Carmel Mission Basilica is repeatedly voted Best Place to Get Married, and it's not hard to understand why, considering its rich history and beautiful setting.

The Basilica is the second of the upper California Spanish missions, founded in Monterey in 1770. But only a year later, it was moved by Father Junipero Serra to its current location. "Here at the Mission, we know that this is both a wonderful time in your lives as well as a stressful time," the Carmel Mission says about tying the knot there. "The church seeks to help you prepare yourselves for the great day of your wedding as well as helping you with spiritual, psychological and practical things that will make your wedding day a Sacrament that will last a lifetime!" There are restrictions, though, Only Catholics may wed there, and couples must obtain permission from their local Catholic pastors to get married outside of their parishes at the Basilica. And because it's an active parish, the Basilica's schedule only allows weddings to occur on most Fridays and Saturdays.

## Best Place to Get Married (non-church)

**Mission Ranch Hotel and**

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**Restaurant** — 26270 Dolores – (831) 624-6436, [mission-ranchcarmel.com](http://mission-ranchcarmel.com)

Why do Pine Cone readers think the Mission Ranch is a great place to get married? Well, for starters, it's pretty photogenic. Just imagine the possibilities with Point Lobos, Carmel River Beach and the Pacific Ocean as natural backdrops. And that's not even including the potential for adorable, photo-bombing sheep. In its tranquil setting a few steps from Carmel Mission, Mission Ranch and its experienced and professional staff offer myriad possibilities for the big day. "Ceremonies can take place on a lush green lawn, with a dramatic entrance for the bride as she crosses over the picturesque bridge and pond, or on our more intimate brick patio," says the Ranch. "The wedding reception and meal service are held inside the historic barns, creating an out-of-the-ordinary place to celebrate." The Ranch also reminds couples that it's a special place for a rehearsal dinner — "idyllic, truly distinctive and a great prelude to any wedding."

■ **Best Retirement Community**

**Del Mesa Carmel** — 500 Del Mesa Drive – (831) 624-1853, [delmesacarmel.org](http://delmesacarmel.org)

Secluded in the quiet hills above Carmel Valley Road, Del Mesa Carmel has been among California's most impressive active adult retirement communities since 1967. The campus offers 289 condominium units amid specimen trees, shrubs and perennial gardens, stunning views of the Santa Lucia Mountains, Carmel Valley and Point Lobos, 24-hour security, and a wide range of fun, educational and healthy activities for its residents — all of which make this local treasure a multiple Golden Pine Cone recipient.

■ **Best Electrician**

**Cate Electrical** — Dolores at Seventh – 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday – (831) 624-5361, [cateelectrical.com](http://cateelectrical.com)

This family-owned and -operated business, founded 63 years ago, is a multi-time Golden Pine Cone winner thanks to its friendly, efficient, honest and trusted service to the community. Cate Electrical can handle everything from service calls, to home remodels and landscape lighting, among other services. Customers frequently comment on the genial attitude, professionalism, promptness and fairness of Cate's electricians.

■ **Best Plumber**

**After Hour Plumbing & Drain** — 5 Harris Court, Bldg. N-6, Monterey – Open 24/7 – (831) 204-4450, [afterhourplumbingmontereyca.com](http://afterhourplumbingmontereyca.com)

There are few things more annoying than that drip-drip-drip sound in the middle of the night, or coming home from a few days away only to find your toilet's been running the whole time. In an area where running water is like liquid gold (or seems to cost that much), customers of After Hour Plumbing & Drain have lauded this local company with a sky-high 4.8-star online rating, calling its staff and services "professional and fast, tidy, accommodating and effective." After Hour accommodates virtually every type of plumbing and drain issue with 24/7 service.

■ **Best Architect**

**Samuel Pitnick Architects** — 1357 Ord Grove Ave., Seaside – (831) 241-1985, [samuelpitnick.com](http://samuelpitnick.com)

After earning a bachelor's degree in architecture at USC and graduating with honors, Peninsula native Samuel Pitnick has worked on a diverse range of award-winning projects, including single- and multi-family residences, retail, commercial, educational, recreational and healthcare. These projects spread from California to Hawaii, New York, Europe and Asia. Pitnick is a LEED-accredited professional and an advocate for sustainable and environmentally responsible design, striving for a harmonious balance between nature and architecture. He moved back to his hometown of Carmel in 2014, and his primary focus is doing custom residential design throughout the Monterey Peninsula.

■ **Best Interior Design Business**

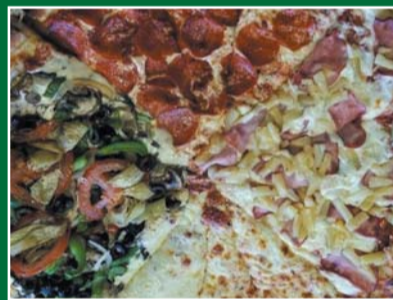
**Sea Blush Staging** — Junipero, 2SW of Fourth – 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday – (530) 574-8774, [heatherpalmerdesign.com](http://heatherpalmerdesign.com)

How is it possible that you have the same collection of furniture as that tasteful, elegant house on HGTV, but in your living room it resembles the back end of a second-hand store? The secrets are known mostly to interior designers. Heather Palmer launched Sea Blush Staging in Carmel-by-the-Sea in April 2022, offering a wide range of luxury and concierge services that include home staging, color consulting, decluttering, downsizing, furniture selection, holiday decorating and space planning. Palmer earned a business administration and management degree from the University of San Diego, and has been self-employed as a lead interior designer since

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### Best Home Technology

**House Wires** — “Serving the greater Monterey Peninsula” — (831) 659-8324, [housewires.com](http://housewires.com)

You know those times when your router won’t talk to your modem or you can’t get the internet in your spare bedroom? Thank goodness for the techies. Award-winning House Wires has provided thoughtful and targeted technology for more than 20 years to Carmel, Carmel Valley, Pebble Beach, Big Sur, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Seaside, Sand City, Marina, Castroville and Salinas.

Their specialties include cable installation, home audio systems, home automation, home theater design, smart homes, smart lighting, installation of surround sound, TVs, and total system designs. That means you can warm up the living room while you’re sitting in traffic on Carmel Hill, and then hear the crashes of players colliding in the Niners game from your comfy recliner. House Wires’ motto is, “Integrity is core to everything we do.”

### Best General Contractor

**McNickle Construction** — 26425 Laureles Grade Road, Carmel Valley — (831) 915-3393, [mcnickleconstruction.com](http://mcnickleconstruction.com)

Owner Ryan McNickle’s stated goal is to carry his customers through the process of building a new home, making their dreams become reality. High-end carpentry projects are a personal passion, he said, along with helping design and build his client’s perfect home or remodel project. A product is only as good as its design and assembly, said McNickle, who utilizes talented artisan tradesmen, designers and architects from all over the United States.

### Best Painting Company

**Cypress Design & Build** — 1664 Contra Costa St., Sand City — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday; 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday — (831) 867-6459, [cypresscab.com/painting](http://cypresscab.com/painting)

Is there anything that freshens up a room faster than a new coat of paint? And good fences make good neighbors, but not if they’re ugly (the fences, not the neighbors). Never fear, because Cypress takes pride in fast, clean, experienced interior or exterior painting, deck stains, fence waterproofing, and graffiti removal throughout Monterey County.

This Sand City-based business was the readers’ choice for Best Painting Company, but Cypress Design & Build also takes on and assists with remodeling ideas, unique kitchen islands, ADA-accessible conversions like door widening, wheelchair ramps and lifts, hallway remodels and bedroom expansions, and other projects. Go to the website to request a quote for any job.

### Best Landscaper-Gardening Service

**Grassroots Landscaping** — 1594 Costa St., Seaside — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday — (831) 899-3568

When people notice your house from the street, you want it to be for all the right reasons. This highly rated Peninsula business specializes in full yard service, landscaping, pressure washing, move-out services for realtors, and hauling. Owner Charles Smith, in his 17th year as a local landscaper, has built a stellar reputation as a hardworking, self-motivated, and fair businessman who takes an “Old-World approach” to his clients. “My word is my bond, and a handshake is a contract,” Smith said.

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### Best Real Estate Company

**Sotheby's International Realty** — 3775 Via Nona Marie, Ste. 100, (831) 624-1566; Ocean between Dolores and San Carlos, (831) 624-9700; 312 West Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley, (831) 659-2267; 574 Lighthouse Ave, Pacific Grove, (831) 372-7700 — [sothebysrealty.com](http://sothebysrealty.com)

That real estate is big business here is news to nobody. Even the tourists figure it out as soon as they pass a real estate office's window display of photos. That means you don't need a good company, you need a great one — and this year,

Pine Cone readers chose Sotheby's. Established in 1976, it has 1,075 offices in 81 countries with 26,000 sales associates who generate \$167 billion in annual sales. Sotheby's sterling reputation is built on a tradition dedicated to innovating the luxury real estate industry. With 119 sales associates at three Peninsula offices, the agency has plenty of lavish properties available. If your homesteading ambitions include places to stay in Tahiti or Fiji, search the website for international listings and view Sotheby's large inventory of houses, condos, townhomes, villas and more.

### Best Real Estate Rental Company

**Carmel Realty** — Dolores St., between Seventh and Eighth avenues — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday — (831) 622-1000, [carmelrealtycompany.com](http://carmelrealtycompany.com)

As any landlord or tenant can tell you, renting is a tricky business that involves two of the most intimate things people deal with — money and living spaces. With 110 years of local history, Carmel Realty actually predates the incorporation of the City of Carmel. Since then, it's been establishing relationships with homeowners, visitors, buyers, sellers and tenants by building an unmatched reputation for excellence in its field. This multi-time Golden Pine Cone honoree is celebrated in 2023 for its rental services. The company boasts an extensive selection of long-term rentals in Pebble Beach, Carmel, Carmel Valley and the greater Monterey area and offers an exceptional selection of luxury vacation rentals, too.

### Best Real Estate Lender

**Chad Hawker at Synergy One Lending** — Dolores 2 SW of Seventh, Unit D — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday — (831) 521-9378, [SIL.com/branch/carmel](http://SIL.com/branch/carmel)

A senior loan officer and area manager of the Carmel branch of Synergy One, Chad Hawker is a Carmel native who brings the unrivaled work ethic and dedication he built as a world-class Ironman triathlete to the lending business. Hawker and his well-trained team help clients navigate quickly and seamlessly through the process of securing a loan to purchase or refinance a home, utilizing the company's trademarked Modern Mortgage Experience, along with cutting-edge technology and a friendly, accommodating, expert staff. Hawker and Synergy One Lending are repeat winners of the Golden Pine Cone.

### Best Title Company

**Chicago Title** — 26609 Carmel Center Place — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday — (831) 277-9081 — [chicagotitlemonterey.com](http://chicagotitlemonterey.com)

Chicago Title Company, a local residential and commercial services firm, says it provides customers with access to highly qualified attorneys, builders, lenders, buyers, commercial services and sellers in the real estate industry. Founded in 1874, it has built a national reputation for excellence and serves customers from five offices located in Carmel, Monterey and Salinas. Our readers likely recognized the company's expertise and reliability when they made it their top choice for title insurance and real estate transactions, supporting customers through personalized services and more than a century of underwriting experience.

### Best Personal Bank

**Chase Bank** — 26378 Carmel Rancho Lane and 27845 Berwick Drive — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday Through Friday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday — (831) 624- 8224, (831) 625-2400, [chase.com](http://chase.com)

Chase Bank has multiple convenient locations in the area, including offices in Monterey, Seaside and Pacific Grove, and according to its website, provides financial services to millions of Americans. Its products and services include personal banking, credit cards, mortgages, auto financing, small

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### ■ Best Business Bank

**Monterey County Bank** — four locations, including 3785 Via Nona Marie – 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday – (831) 625-4300, montereycountybank.com

Serving the local community since 1977, Monterey County Bank is the oldest locally owned and managed business bank in the county. Its longevity is due in no small part to longtime President and CEO Charles Chrietzberg's personal knowledge of the Monterey Peninsula and his passion for serving local businesses.

During the pandemic, Monterey County Bank was dedicated to helping businesses secure government loans and grants, forging partnerships, and allowing the Monterey County economy to continue to thrive.

Offering a wide range of services including business checking, savings accounts and credit options, Monterey County Bank is committed to providing all its clients with a comprehensive selection of services, with branches in Carmel, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Rancho, and Salinas, and it promises to continue its high level of service after its upcoming merger with PCB Financial Inc.

### ■ Best Investment House/Advisor

**Monterey Private Wealth Management** — 2340 Garden Road, Suite 202, Monterey – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday – (831) 372-3426, montereyprivatewealth.com

The Pine Cone readers' choice for the leading private wealth management company in the community, Monterey Private Wealth Management's team of financial advisors takes pride in its expertise in the financial industry. Services like investment strategies and management, financial planning, and business retirement plans are entirely transparent, with no hidden fees or costs. Using a comprehensive planning process, Monterey Private Wealth assists local clientele

with cultivating diverse portfolios and strategic investments to ensure satisfaction, affirming "our loyalty is to our clients."

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### ■ Best Accountant

**Finn & Cohen CPAs** — 425 Pacific St., No. 302,

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## Best Veterinarian

**Carmel Valley Veterinary Hospital** — 13738 Center St., Carmel Valley — 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to noon Saturday — (831) 659-2286, [carmelvalleyvet.com](http://carmelvalleyvet.com)

The picturesque views of Scenic Drive simply would not be complete without the sight of dogs frolicking along Carmel Beach, accompanied by pet owners who care a great deal about their furry companions. For owners who want to ensure quality care for their pets, Carmel Valley Veterinary has been serving the community since 1975 with services ranging from dental care, diagnostics, surgical services and boarding, to grooming. The practice boasts a talented staff — including veterinarians, veterinary technicians, and licensed veterinary assistants — to cater to all pet ailments and keep your best buddy in the best of health.

## Best Pet Boarding

**Casa de Amigos Animal Hotel** — 715 Foam St., Monterey — 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily — (831) 373-0482, [casadeamigosanimalhotel.com](http://casadeamigosanimalhotel.com)

With a unique lodging experience designed to suit pets' needs and comfort, Casa de Amigos allows your best friends to experience a retreat of their own while you're away, including a stay in a state-of-the-art facility and access to thoroughly trained staff. A recent change in management has brought about various renovations and upgrades that will ensure your pet's stay is accommodating and plush. Our dog-loving readers know that the boarding, doggie daycare, and full grooming services will not disappoint, as the people at Casa de Amigos are dedicated to facilitating a fun-filled, safe and interactive haven for your pets to enjoy.

## Best Pet Care

**Home Away from Home** — 1231 10th St., Monterey — 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday — (831) 392-6296, [montereypetspa.com](http://montereypetspa.com)

Pet care is no joke around here, as it seems that everyone strolling the streets of Carmel has a furry friend. The Carmel Pine Cone readership has named Home Away from Home the paws-down best pet care spa, as it provides a nurturing and quality experience to every pet under its care. An all-encompassing menu of services, including escort transportation services, flea treatment, pet boarding, grooming, bathing and dog walking, allows pet owners to choose from a premium selection of amenities to pamper their pets. Home Away from Home ensures VIP treatment for you and your four-legged friend, as the dedicated staff fosters a loving environment that every pet deserves.

## Best Auto Body Shop

**Gene's Import Auto Body** — 531 Shasta St., Sand City — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday — (831) 899-0343, [genesimportautobody.com](http://genesimportautobody.com)

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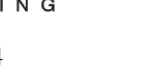
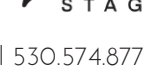
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A perennial favorite of Golden Pine Cone voters, Gene's Import Auto Body remains the preferred auto-body repair facility for Monterey Peninsula car owners, as it has been since 1979. It's the only business in the area with direct referrals from Tesla, and specializes in European brands as well, including Mercedes-Benz, BMW and Audi. But the fine folks there will service any car, including brands such as Ford and Toyota. Known for friendly service to car owners experiencing stressful circumstances, this family-owned business is prepared for all situations, from bumper and windshield repairs to major body damage. Gene's advertises that its ultimate mission is to provide customers with "the highest level of professional service and quality repairs at a reasonable price," with numerous five-star online reviews and compliments from satisfied customers.

**Best Dry Cleaners**

**Vapor Sudden Service Cleaners**  
 — 1193 10th St., Monterey — 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday — (831) 375-5221, vaporcleaner-smonterey.com

A repeat Golden Pine Cone winner, Vapor Sudden Service Cleaners is one of the oldest continually operating cleaning services on the Monterey Peninsula, cleaning up for more than 100 years. Since the business opened in 1921, it's offered a range of services, from cleaning and alterations to laundering shirts and cleaning and restoring leather. Today, the business takes a sustainable and environmentally friendly approach, avoiding the use of harmful petrochemical solvents on clothes. Instead, this business uses pure liquid silicone, setting it apart with its odor-free GreenEarth dry-cleaning process. With this method, Vapor Sudden Service Cleaners assures potential customers that "your fine silks, cashmere, wool, lace, beads, sequins

and even garments labeled 'Do not dry clean' are safe with us." With rapid service and free pickup and delivery throughout the Monterey Peninsula, clients are bound to receive ready-on-time and ready-to-wear results. Vapor Sudden Service Cleaners is committed to sustainability every step of the way — even its website provides a sustainable "tip of the day."

**Best Travel Agent**

**Paula Arnold** — Carmel Monterey Travel, 601 Abrego St., Monterey — (831) 649-4292, carmelmontereytravel.com

Paula Arnold is a beloved and trusted travel advisor with the Carmel Monterey Travel group of advisors, an independent, family-owned business that has been guiding the Monterey Peninsula community for 40 years. Known for her personalized service in the business and leisure travel sectors, Arnold is a "go-to" for her extensive knowledge of the best locations for every occasion — from honeymoons to business retreats to family reunions. Her knowledge of special, off-the-beaten track locations is valued by customers, as is her persistence in finding the most cost-effective way to go. She remains calm in the heat of a crisis — if a flight is canceled or something else happens to go awry — customers rave about having her to troubleshoot.

**Best Hair Salon**

**March Hare** — SE corner Mission and Fifth — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday — (831) 624-3024

Customers say that March Hare is the place for consistently excellent haircuts and hair color. The salon specializes in natural-ingredient Aveda products, which avoid the use of harsh chemicals. The stylists at March Hare are trained to work with all hair types — thick, fine, curly or unruly. This cozy salon in the heart of Carmel is beloved as a

welcoming space, and is often the first one recommended to someone from out-of-town. Stylists stay up with trends and are known for their ability to please seemingly everyone, from tough-to-satisfy teens to busy professionals. Customer reviews praise March

Hare's staff for their "knowledge of great products, passion for styling, love of aromatherapy and the gracious space" of the salon. They are a local go-to for special-occasion

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### Best Skin Care

**Carmel Laser Aesthetics & Spa** — 3602 The Barnyard, Suite A-11 — 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday — (831) 626-6228, [carmellaser.com](http://carmellaser.com)

A wide array of the latest laser technology is available at Carmel Laser Aesthetics & Spa, a full-service medical spa that offers a wide array of treatments. The staff there offers a full complement of services to restore skin to a youthful appearance, including photo rejuvenation, laser skin resurfacing, chemical peels, skin tightening, laser hair removal, leg vein treatments, cellulite reduction, Botox and dermal fillers. Christina Joyce, RN, performs all of the treatments and has decades of experience and training in facial aesthetic procedures. The spa's website describes her approach to aesthetics as "less is more." She is certified for the Palomar Icon Laser and has completed complex skin treatment certifications. Customer reviews praise Joyce for being gentle, minimizing pain, and making "you look like a movie star." She and co-owner Dr. Dana Welle are partners in the business that customers say leaves them feeling confident and glowing.

### Best Nail Salon

**Top Nails** — 26344 Carmel Rancho Lane, No. 2 — 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday — (831) 625-8609

Whether you want to treat yourself to a pampering sea-salt leg scrub or are seeking dazzling fingertips displaying true works of art, Carmel's Top Nails is the spot on the Peninsula for all your mani-pedi desires. Praised by customers for being clean and friendly, Top Nails is a family-run business that offers

a range of nail and spa treatments, including manicures, pedicures and foot and hand massages. Customers praise the fashion-forward nail colors and styles, and the manicurists' ability to create intricate nail polish designs — everything from American flags to snowflakes, flowers, candy stripes, and the ever-popular ombre fades of multiple colors. Reviewers hail them as "clean, professional and reasonable" with sleep-inducing foot massages. Conveniently located on Carmel Rancho Lane near the Barnyard with ample parking, Top Nails offers a menu of services for all budgets, from acrylic and gel nails to paraffin wax treatments. Need a last-minute nail refresh? Top Nails happily accepts walk-in clients. Pine Cone readers say Top Nails is the local place to go to help your feet and hands look and feel their best.

### Best Spa

**Refuge** — 27300 Rancho San Carlos Road, Carmel Valley — 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and Sunday — (831) 620-7360, [refuge.com](http://refuge.com)

Guests flock to the Refuge to zone out day or night in its array of thermal pools, sauna and steam rooms, where dramatic temperature changes relax and rejuvenate tight muscles and restore calm. Once guests are physically loosened and softened, there is an array of clean, cozy spaces to nap or practice mindfulness. Try the outdoor fire pits and hammocks or the indoor zero-gravity chair sanctuaries. Take part in the Refuge's recommended thermal cycle, which guides guests through a thermal pool circuit of warm and hot, to cool and cold, all to achieve a Scandinavian-style therapeutic effect. Refuge urges clients to begin the process by heating up in its cedar sauna with Himalayan salt wall, one of two co-ed, eucalyptus-infused steam rooms or one of its hot pools. Let one of the numerous warm waterfalls cascade onto your shoulders before taking a quick dip in one of

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## Best Dentist

**Eric Brown** — 2 Via Joaquin, Monterey, (831) 375-2322 and 108 Mid Valley Center, Carmel Valley, (831) 574-8252, eric-browndds.com

Gentle, friendly, kind, comfortable and welcoming. Those words that aren't always used to describe dental offices are descriptions offered by patients reviewing their experience at the offices of Dr. Eric Brown. With two area locations to serve Peninsula residents, this general and family dentistry practice offers a complete range of services including cleaning and prevention, tooth restorations, oral and maxillofacial surgery, and orthodontics.

Struggling with sleep apnea or painful TMJ? Brown and his staff can assist. Chip or break a tooth, or lose a filling or crown? The practice provides complete service for dental emergencies and has online instructions for exactly what to do — and what not to do.

Want an even-toothed smile good enough for the cameras, or to brighten your smile after too much coffee or red wine? There's a full array of cosmetic dentistry services, from porcelain veneers, bridges and inlays, to teeth whitening. The office uses the most modern technology, including digital tooth scanning. The overall objective of the team, which includes dentists Brown and Dr. Nate Ward, is to reduce the anxiety that often accompanies visits to the dentist.

When patients leave this practice smiling, Pine Cone readers are sure it's sincere.

## Best Dermatologist

**Mary Dahl** — 977 Pacific Street, Suite A, Monterey — 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday — (831) 644-9740, marydahld.com

For two decades, Dr. Mary Dahl has been treating the skin of the sun-loving, outdoor-oriented population of the Monterey Peninsula. Serving a coastal community of people who can be hard on their skin, she is trusted to provide thorough exams and treatment for a wide array of conditions. Specializing in dermatopathology, Dahl is the equivalent of a skin detective, seeking out the cause of and recommending treatments for rashes, nail infections and inflamed seborrheic keratosis — a benign type of skin tumor akin to a wart. Have a worrisome mole? She specializes in examining skin for signs of skin cancer. Teens and adults experiencing acne are also welcome at Dahl's practice. Patients praise her for taking the time to answer their questions and for her patient and caring explanations. Dahl's practice provides preventive health care and medical treatments and offers skin-rejuvenating clinical facials, teen and acne facials, and dermal infusion exfoliation treatments.

## Best Ophthalmologist

**Leland Rosenblum** — 21 Upper Ragsdale Dr., Suite 200, Monterey — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, (831) 372-1500, montereyeye.com

Serving the Monterey Peninsula for almost three decades, Dr. Leland Rosenblum and the Monterey County Eye Associates are a repeat Golden Pine Cone favorite. In private practice on the Monterey Peninsula since 1994, Rosenblum specializes in cataract, glaucoma and oculoplastic surgery (employed to improve drooping eyelids, blocked tear ducts, or other eye reconstruction). Rosenblum has extensive credentials,

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including as previous chairman of the department of ophthalmology at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, and a UCSF assistant clinical professor at Natividad Medical Center in Salinas. Patients praise him for providing thorough explanations of ocular surgical procedures and for reducing the nervousness that often accompanies eye treatments. With practices in Monterey, Salinas and King City, people throughout the county can benefit from the deep expertise of Monterey County Eye Associates. Have a question about your changes in your close-up vision (it's called presbyopia), cataracts or glaucoma? Rosenblum addresses some of the most common questions — and, yes, fears — in a helpful blog on the practice's website. Rosenblum leads a large team that can support every eye need, from general examinations to Botox to create a more youthful wink.

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**Best Orthopedist**

**Chris Meckel** — 12 Upper Ragsdale Drive, Suite A, Monterey — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday — (831) 648-7200, [msjhealth.com](http://msjhealth.com)

Creaky knees and stiff hips holding you back from the activities you love? Dr. Chris Meckel can help you return to our local trails and golf courses. A reputation as a trusted physician who takes the time to listen and answer patients' questions has earned orthopedic surgeon Meckel another Golden Pine Cone for his work as a hip and knee replacement specialist. He is the co-founder of Monterey Spine & Joint and has nearly 20 years of experience in joint replacement surgery and solutions to osteoarthritis. Having grown up on the Peninsula, graduating from Carmel High School in 1984, Meckel is happy to serve the community where he was raised. He is known and appreciated for his expertise in arthroscopic surgery (the type that employs buttonhole-sized incisions) and minimally invasive, computer-assisted knee replacements. He earns high praise — and regular five-star ratings — in online reviews. As to comments from patients, the words "great," "excellent" and "very pleased" stand out. One patient described their experience this way: "Dr. Meckel is friendly, professional and kind. Answered all my questions thoroughly and promptly. The office staff is efficient and helpful." Similarly, another wrote: "He and his staff provided excellent guidance and support throughout the planning, surgery and recovery."

**Best Pediatrician**

**Jill Airola** — 2 Upper Ragsdale Drive, Suite B210, Monterey — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturday, Sunday by arrangement — (831) 333-0999, [mppmg.com/dr-jill-airola](http://mppmg.com/dr-jill-airola)

Most kids might not find a trip to the doctor to be fun, but we hear they love seeing "Dr. Jill," as Jill Johnson Airola is widely known. She's been in practice in Monterey County for 22 years, and a visit to Airola's office often begins with an upbeat, cheerful greeting and sense of humor. One of seven physicians who are part of the Monterey Peninsula Pediatric Medical Group, Airola is praised by parents as "fun and joyous to be around." One mom lauded the clinic's responsiveness with urgent appointments, and specifically Airola, for making "my daughter comfortable and excited to be at the doctor's office." Another mother of a newborn praised

Airola's support for new, anxious parents. The practice is colorful and lively, with physicians taking part in dress-up days. The website shows each physician in a photo as a child themselves, making it clear that they've been there and they can relate. Parents say that the warm, welcoming atmosphere is accompanied by deep expertise and attention to detail. Prior to moving to the Monterey Peninsula, Airola was an assistant clinical professor of pediatrics, specializing in emergency medicine at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. Airola is known for her thorough explanations of each stage of a child's development. And for parents wanting to know even more, the practice recommends an array of helpful resources on its website.

**Best Primary Care Physician**

**Peter Franklin** — 550 Camino El Estero, No. 204, Monterey — 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 8:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Friday — (831) 375-5151, [montereybaydoctors.com](http://montereybaydoctors.com)

You know you have found a truly local Monterey Peninsula family physician when he specializes in scuba diving medicine and is a diving-certified physician. Peter Franklin has been practicing dive medicine for more than 20 years and works with the divers of the Monterey Bay Aquarium. He conducts pre-dive physicals to assure that scuba recreation lovers are in the best possible condition to handle the stress of deep-water immersion. Franklin specializes in identifying the underlying issues that may arise during diving to help his patients return to the water safely.

However, dive medicine is just one of dozens of specialties of this full-service medical clinic. Others include preventive medicine, men's health issues, pediatrics for children over the age of 5, and management of a host of chronic health conditions including hypertension, diabetes and osteoarthritis. Franklin also offers an optional concierge program for a limited number of patients who want a more personalized approach to health management. Franklin's website has resources specific to Peninsula issues — like advice for dealing with poison oak and ticks. If you are seeking a truly local physician, Peter Franklin, with offices across from Lake El Estero and the Monterey YMCA, is The Pine Cone readers' choice.

**Best Plastic Surgeon**

**Douglas Sunde** — 856 Munras Ave., Monterey — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday — (831) 372-0200, [drsunde.com](http://drsunde.com)

Dr. Sunde has been The Pine Cone readers' choice for more than a decade, a fact he will tell you brings him some pride. The Chicago-area native graduated with distinction from Stanford University, after which he attended medical school at UC San Francisco, where he was part of the medical honor society. Sunde performs cosmetic and reconstructive surgery using the most current treatments and techniques. In 2020, he was recognized by Montage Health Foundation with a Physician Scholar grant to "provide training in plastic surgery, particularly hand surgery, to Stanford University Medical School residents and fellows." Montage noted that Sunde

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## Best Physical Therapist

**Balance Physical Therapy & Human Performance Center** — 2260 N. Fremont St., Monterey and 21 Upper Ragsdale Road in Ryan Ranch, with additional locations in Prunedale, Watsonville and Salinas — call for hours and appointments — (831) 372-4782, [balancept.com](http://balancept.com)

Balance Physical Therapy — a multiyear winner of the Golden Pine Cone — has for more than 20 years been providing locals with services, ranging from treating and managing chronic joint or back pain, to improving their golf game. Among other services, sports injury and concussion rehab are available, as well as custom orthotic shoe inserts. Balance PT offers specialized services for recovery from sports injuries, plus an evaluation, treatment and fitness program by and for golfers that specifically targets performance on the links. Its many qualified therapists are patient and encouraging, emphasizing that a lot of people’s problems can be solved without further medical intervention.

## Best Chiropractor

**Aaron Gaily of The Back and Neck Pain Center of Monterey** — 1299 Pacific St., Monterey — (831) 657-0191, [chiropractormontereyca.com](http://chiropractormontereyca.com).

Now a seven-time Golden Pine Cone winner, Aaron Gaily opened The Back and Neck Pain Center of Monterey in 2003, aided by his wife (office manager) and mother (general assistant), who both still work at the practice along with fellow chiropractor Ryan Wong, massage therapists and various assistants. Gaily, who grew up in Carmel Valley, is proud of growing the practice “from scratch,” but says “relieving pain is my No. 1 goal.” He’s a graduate of Northern Arizona University and received his doctorate in chiropractic (with honors) at Southern California University of Health Sciences.

## Best Divorce Lawyer

**Sarah Cavassa** — 50 Ragsdale Drive, Suite 201, Monterey — (831) 655-6868, [cavassaoconnell.com](http://cavassaoconnell.com)

Sarah Cavassa of Cavassa O’Connell is certified by the

State Bar as a specialist in family law, including divorce, custody and support. She also prepares and reviews pre- and post-marital agreements. Cavassa favors securing settlements for her clients when reasonable ones can be attained, but she takes cases to trial when necessary. She represents clients in Monterey and the neighboring counties of Santa Cruz and San Benito, as well as occasionally Santa Clara and Alameda

counties. Cavassa graduated from the University of Washington and Monterey College of Law, where she is now a professor, teaching community property and working with the Heisler Moot Court program. She has served on the Board of Trustees of the Monterey County Bar Association and is part

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of the Monterey County Women Lawyers Association.

**Best Estate Planning Attorney**

**Jeannette Witten at Hudson-Martin PC** — 26515 Carmel Rancho Blvd., Ste. 200 — 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday — (831) 480-6608, [Hudsonmartin.com](http://Hudsonmartin.com)

Witten, managing partner of Hudson-Martin, views estate planning as a “positive area of the law” and a “neat opportunity to get to know people.” Whether clients have a goal of establishing a trust to take care of a disabled child or more generally figuring out how to distribute assets to the next generation, Wit-

ten views her role as listening and gently guiding them to reach their goals. She also does her best to explain trust provisions in layman’s terms, so that her clients feel sure of what they’re signing. She has been practicing law since 1998 and is licensed in California and Pennsylvania.

Witten is an avid hiker and runner and has run several marathons, including the Big Sur International four times. A mother of twins, she volunteers with and serves on the board of Pacific Repertory Theatre. She and her family live in Carmel.

**Best Lawyer If You Need to Sue Somebody**

**Best Defense Attorney**

**Andy Swartz** — 550 Hartnell St., Suite A-1, Monterey — (831) 373-3235 or (800)

624-9911, [swartzkennedylaw.com](http://swartzkennedylaw.com)

Andy Swartz of Swartz & Kennedy has won the Golden Pine Cone many times, showing that readers trust him with bothersome and potentially costly legal matters. He’s done defense work all along, too. “I’m probably a better defense attorney,” Swartz said. But at age 75, he’s gently phasing out his practice, noting, “I’m pretty sure I’ve tried my final case.” During his half-century in Monterey (since 1973), Swartz has won multiple high-profile and multimillion dollar cases. He has conducted a wide range of civil litigation for both plaintiffs and defendants, including personal injury, defamation, and business and real estate disputes. He has also been active in ensuring law is practiced ethically, having served on the State of California Committee on Professional Conduct and Responsibility, also known as “the ethics committee.” He waxes elegiac when considering his Monterey County legal peers and sometime-opponents, as well as local judges, complimenting them as “prepared” and “plain-speaking... actually respond[ing] to questions.” The Swartz & Kennedy law firm enjoys the highest peer ratings and holds membership in several elite forums. Swartz earned degrees from the University of Pittsburgh and the University of Santa Clara School of Law (graduating magna cum laude), where he was on the staff of the law review.

**Best Public Relations Company**

**Armanasco Public Relations** — 585 Abrego St., Monterey — (831) 372-2259, [armanasco.com](http://armanasco.com)

David Armanasco established Armanasco Public Relations in 1985. In 2013, Armanasco became a partner of California Strategies, a public strategy firm that serves organizations around the state, nation and globe as they intersect with all levels of government. Armanasco and California Strategies work on public

affairs issues in the areas of finance, energy, environmental regulations, green technology, infrastructure, transportation, land use, water, health care and communications. According to its website, the firm has “grown to become the largest, most effective, and well-known PR firm in Monterey County.”

Its local client list includes businesses and agencies such as the Barnyard, Safeway, Tamimura & Antle, CSUMB, Stevenson and Santa Catalina schools, Cal Am, the cities of Seaside, Marina, Gonzales and San Jose, Quail Lodge, the Cypress Inn and dozens of others. The agency also gives back — its pro-bono client list includes plenty of familiar names, like the Alliance on Aging, the Boys & Girls Club of Monterey County, the Carmel Foundation, the Diocese of Monterey and the Point Lobos Natural History Association.

**Best Insurance Agent**

**Connally Farmers Insurance** — 404 W Franklin St., Ste. 102, Monterey — (831) 424-0829, [Agents.farmers.com/ca/monterey/jessica-connally](http://Agents.farmers.com/ca/monterey/jessica-connally)

Insurance agent Jessica Connally has been with Farmers Insurance for 10 years, and purchased and consolidated two local agencies about 18 months ago when their former owners retired. The agency manager is her husband, Jeremy Connally, who cites “exceptional” and experienced staff members as the reason Connally has won the Golden Pine Cone. In what can be an increasingly difficult climate and area to obtain insurance, the Connally agents look for ways to help clients get the coverage they need, using their local knowledge and insurance savvy.

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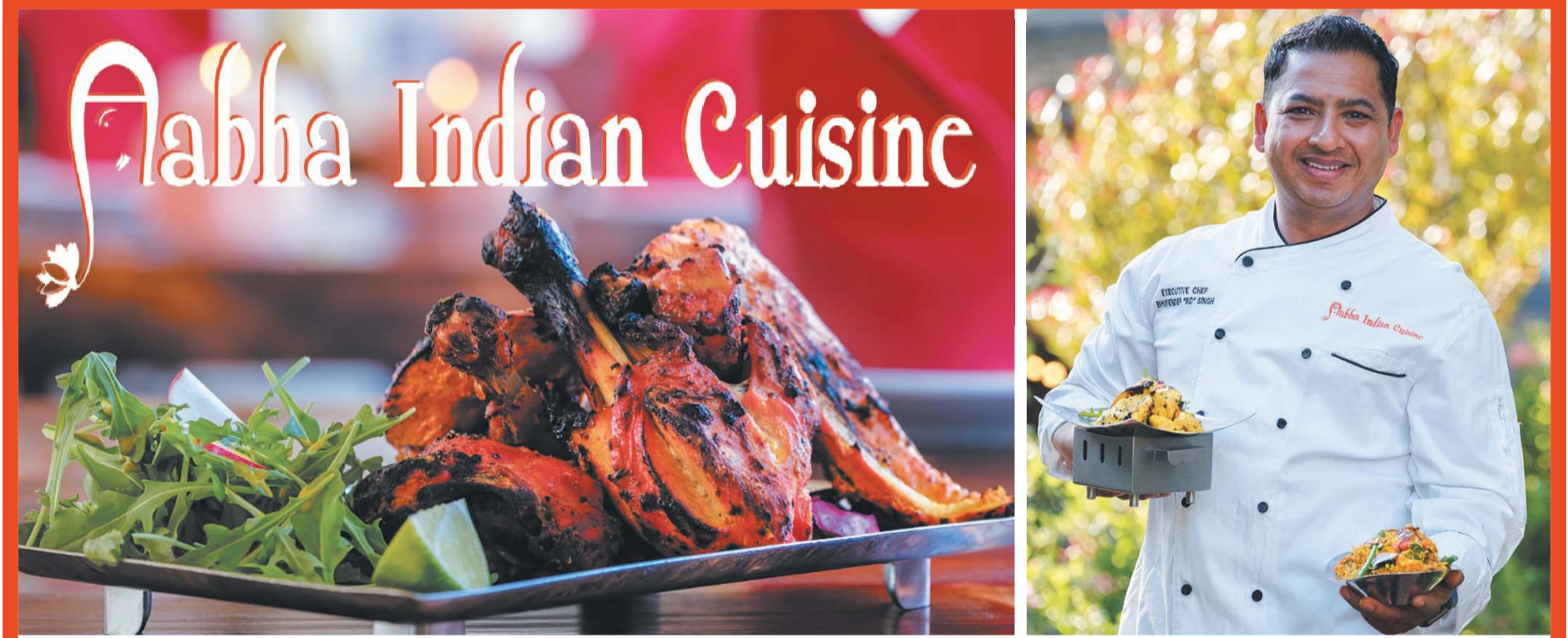
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- Best School
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**All Saints Day School** — 8060 W. Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley — (831) 624-9171, [asds.org](http://asds.org)

The Episcopal K-8 school has won this trifecta more than once, with some logic: While nearly all schools have buildings and campuses, it's their staffs that make them special. All Saints offers low student-teacher ratios and can boast of students who've won state and national honors in history, as well as prizes in science and engineering. The school's 10 core values, listed on its website, are: Nurturing the growth of the whole child, inspiring lives of gratitude and grace, pursu-

ing academic excellence, fostering freedom of inquiry and ethical expression, encouraging independent thinking, challenging students to live courageously, respecting the importance of family and community, building a community of service, honoring the sacred dignity of all life, and igniting a life of learning.

Speaking of buildings and campuses, one of principal Scott Fujita's recent accomplishments has been the success of a fundraising campaign that has allowed All Saints to build or improve a turf field, outdoor amphitheater, tennis/pickleball courts, a running track, a Carmel River observation center (taking advantage of the campus' bankside location), a revamped organic garden and a new preschool and pre-kindergarten playground. On a less glamorous but practical note, the funds raised have also been used to connect underground to the new sewer line being installed along Carmel Valley Road. Fujita, a former pro football player, apparently knows how to take the ball and run with it. The Imagine Campaign is in its final phase, raising funds to build a new fieldhouse and classroom facility.

Kindergarten and first-grade teacher Sydney McKechnie is known for her high academic expectations of students, tempered with affection. Her pupils are well-versed in the relationship between cause and effect, but also what McKechnie calls "funzies." She dresses up for every holiday and is reportedly "obsessed with glitter." She's the school's resident tooth-puller and keeps a running tally on her blackboard; she's also usually the first teacher to sign up for the dunk tank at the school's fall festival. At the same time, she structures lessons so as to reach all types of learners — visual, aural and kinetic. Her students are known for moving on to higher grades with a strong educational foundation.

## ■ My Favorite Nonprofit

**The Carmel Foundation** — SE Corner of Eighth and Lincoln — 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday — (831) 624-1588, [carmelfoundation.org](http://carmelfoundation.org)

Whether you're looking for a fun recreational activity or need some help obtaining vital services, The Carmel Foundation is a good place to start for those 55 and older — and you don't even have to live in town. The friendly volunteers will guide you as you choose from a long list of activities and services. The Foundation offers a host of com-

panionable pastimes, including book groups, games—such as bridge, chess, Scrabble and poker—walks on local trails, yoga, and more.

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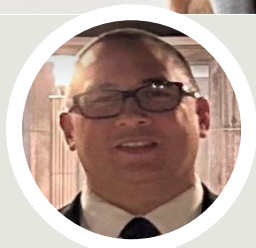


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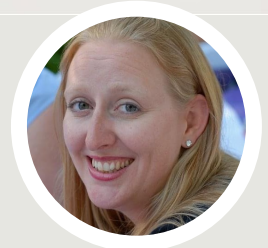
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