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Monterey council gives rental registry final OK

Landlords must sign up starting Jan. 1

By MARY SCHLEY

WITH ONE councilman recounting a neighbor's claim that a landlord raised the rent by \$800 a month, and the mayor declaring that housing is a human right, the Monterey City Council voted 4-1 Oct. 17 on the final adoption of a mandatory rental inventory. Come New Year's Day, landlords with four or more units in the city will have to provide information about them and pay a fee for each one on a yearly basis.

In addition to startup costs, the inventory will cost an estimated \$400,000 annually to manage, according to planning director Kim Cole. It will necessitate hiring two more

full-time employees and the procurement and use of specialized software. The fees paid by landlords — who can pass 50 percent along to tenants — will cover the costs. She estimated the rate would be \$40 to \$60 per unit per year.

Unless they qualify for the "mom-and-pop" exemption, which applies to owners who have three rentals

Public disclosure of how many units the city has and what they go for

or fewer, landlords must provide the street address and/or assessor's parcel number of each unit, the year of construction and number of rentals on the property, the number of bedrooms and bathrooms and square footage, vacancy status, and the amount and date due of the monthly rent and whether it includes utilities and/or service charges.

Also required are whether the tenant receives a housing voucher or other rental subsidy, and the name, address and phone number of the landlord, including any onsite or off-site property manager, as well as "any other information deemed necessary by the community development director."

Available to public

Changes in occupancy status, rent, or ownership or management must be reported within 30 days, and much of the information in the database will be available to the public. Owners who fail to register or don't pay their fees can be fined but won't be charged with a crime, and some types of units, such as subsidized and affordable rentals, mobile homes and ADUs, are exempt from the fees.

The law also states tenants can enforce the ordinance

See **RENTALS** page 25A

LIGHT POLES GOING UP AT CHS FOOTBALL FIELD



PHOTO/KERRY BELSER

A large crane hoisted one of the four light poles that could illuminate the athletic field at Carmel High School — if a neighbor group's lawsuit doesn't succeed. See the update on page 16A.

With new leadership, youth center on track for 2024 reopening

By MARY SCHLEY

THE WOMAN who was hired last summer as the Carmel Youth Center's first childcare director is now its executive director, too, and is walking the non-profit through the arduous certification process to finally reopen after being shut down by the state last March for being unlicensed. Board President John Ruskell anticipates the center will be back in operation early next year.

Sherilyn Napoli, who has worked in childcare and education for a quarter-century and most recently oversaw a center at the Presidio of Monterey, told The Pine Cone Wednesday that she drove the completed, 5-inch-thick application to the California Department of Social Services in San Jose herself Sept. 21 and has been responding to follow-up questions from the agency.

No promises

"My main focus is getting it open, and everything else will fall into place. I don't want to make any promises to the community until we get the license — that's my biggest goal," she said. "They're still working on the application right now."

The center's troubles began in late March, when an analyst from the California Department of Social Services arrived unannounced to inspect the facility on Torres near the police station and confirmed it was unlawfully providing care for young children. Specifically, the center was

See **YOUTH** page 22A

CHOMP again requiring masks, but not everywhere

By KELLY NIX

SEVEN MONTHS after the California Department of Public Health ended a statewide mask mandate in "high risk" settings and almost two years since everyone had to wear masks in indoor public places, Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula this week announced that all staff and visitors will be required to wear masks in certain parts of the hospital, regardless of vaccination status.

On Tuesday, CHOMP's parent company, Montage, announced that starting Wednesday, everyone would have to mask up in all "patient care areas" at the hospital, including the emergency department and patients' rooms.

"Patient care areas are defined as areas where direct patient care is taking place," hospital spokeswoman Ilene Cantor told The Pine Cone. "This would not include

common areas such as the Fountain Court, lobby and gift shop."

The policy, the hospital said, is being brought back to "protect patients, staff and visitors during respiratory virus season" and from Covid-19, flu and RSV.

Most vulnerable

"During respiratory virus season, these measures improve the safety of our healthcare environment for all, including the most medically vulnerable who are under our care," explained Martha Blum, an infectious disease expert with Montage Health.

However, for other Montage facilities, such as its MoGo Urgent Care offices and its medical clinics, including at the Crossroads, masks will be "recommended" for patients and visitors, but required for staff.

Monterey County has not experienced a significant uptick in Covid or flu cases this season, and the Centers

See **MASKS** page 23A

Boat parade, wharf party to welcome Western Flyer

By CHRIS COUNTS

MORE THAN eight decades after carrying John Steinbeck and pioneering biologist Ed "Doc" Ricketts on a historic voyage to the Sea of Cortez, the Western Flyer is set to return to Monterey Saturday around 11 a.m., followed by a ceremony with Congressman Jimmy Panetta



PHOTO/COURTESY WESTERN FLYER FOUNDATION

and other local leaders, and a busy lineup of free events.

The boat's arrival marks the culmination of an eight-year effort to restore it to its original condition, which was no small feat. When marine geologist John Gregg bought the boat in 2015 for \$1 million, it was described as "almost beyond repair." But Gregg founded a group, the Western Flyer Foundation, dedicated to restoring the boat so it could be used again as a research vessel. The effort, which cost about \$5 million, was done in Port Townsend, Wash., and included installing a hybrid diesel-electric engine and a state-of-the-art marine lab.

Too risky

The original plan was for the Western Flyer to travel directly from Port Townsend to the homecoming event in the Monterey harbor, but the foundation decided to play it safe and brought the boat south to Moss Landing in early October.

"We had planned to arrive just in time for the event, but we decided that was too risky due to the weather," executive director Sherry Flumerfelt told The Pine Cone.

Flumerfelt called the impending arrival of the boat in Monterey, "a really big milestone." "It's a been a long time coming," she said.

Gregg also hailed the boat's return to its home port. "The Flyer symbolizes a bridge, linking Monterey's

CALTRANS TAKES BIG STEP TOWARD HIGHWAY 1 REOPEN



PHOTO/CALTRANS

As part of a repair to a slip-out, a culvert has been installed where Dani Creek meets Highway 1 in Big Sur. See page 15A.

See **BOAT** page 30A

Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Rescue remedy

Bailey is a 10-year-old Shih Tzu who lives with his person at Hacienda Carmel. But it's hard to introduce Bailey any further without talking about Bing.

Bailey and Bing (also a Shih Tzu), were brought home at 4 months from two different breeders, but grew up like brothers.

Their beds, stowed under the kitchen table, gave them a direct sightline into their person's bedroom. This provided an extra sense of security as they tucked in together each night. Come morning, Bing would spring up and out of his bed and scamper into his person's bedroom to rustle her into the day. Then he'd return to the kitchen to get his brother going.

"Bing was always the dynamic member of the household," his person said. "But he died in June, leav-



ing Bailey and me bereft and a little boring."

Bailey and Bing didn't actually play together, their person said. It was more like parallel play. But they would always stop chasing a ball or zooming around the yards to look out for each other.

"When we went out for a walk, if one got ahead," their person said, "he'd always look back to see if the other was coming along OK. It was a very tender relationship."

Both Bailey and Bing were born with eye issues, which meant it would be disastrous if they got sand in their eyes. Hence, no beach for the boys. But Hacienda Carmel has a 1-mile path around the property, which creates an opportunity for exercise and socializing, which both Bailey and his person enjoy.

Bailey now spends his days waiting for his next walk and, his person said, is still mourning his brother.

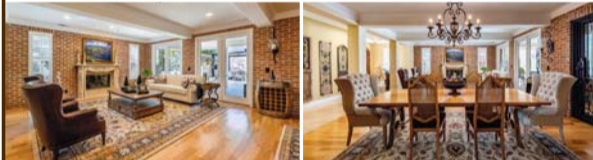
"Bailey's become a lost, sad little dog," his person said. "I think I might have to rescue another one, a remedy which might rescue us both."



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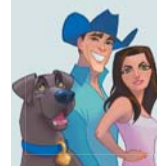
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Second harassment complaint filed against school district

By MARY SCHLEY

THREE WEEKS after a longtime custodian sued the Carmel Unified School District claiming sexual harassment, retaliation and other abuse, a second custodian has filed suit alleging similar mistreatment, as well as wrongful termination.

The law firm representing the unnamed women, who are both referred to as Jane Doe, also discovered that one of the alleged harassers, former lead custodian Roel Martinez, was paid to retire at the end of June. He is listed as retired in a July 19 board of education agenda, and his name appears on a register next to check No. 12773036, dated June 29, for \$100,000, with "agreement" written in the comment field.

"Roel Martinez, the harasser of both female custodians, received a \$100,000 payment as part of a severance/retirement package," said attorney B. James Fitzpatrick. "Instead of holding him responsible and terminating his employment, the school district simply paid him off."

The district has also come under fire and been sued for paying former superintendent Ted Knight \$700,000 to leave.

Lack of concern

The most recent suit, filed Oct. 26, paints a picture of ongoing harassment, including lewd comments, unwanted groping, retaliation and intimidation, perpetrated by Martinez and a second man, Gustavo Alvarado, and lack of concern by administrators at the campuses and the district office.

According to the suit, Doe was hired as a substitute custodian in 2019 and "was a good and hardworking employee and received positive feedback until she rejected and resisted harassment from the individual defendants."

In 2021, during summertime cleanup at

Carmel High School, Martinez allegedly frequently talked about sex in front of his employee, threw panties at her and made suggestive comments as she cleaned the girls' locker room, and slapped her on the buttocks when she was bent over.

When she objected, he warned her that no one would believe her complaints, according to the suit, and she was fearful of reporting the harassment because it might jeopardize her chances of getting hired full-time at CUSD.

The woman was also assigned to Carmel Middle School, where Alvarado was the lead custodian, and she was later offered a permanent job there working the night shift. When she was a temp there, Alvarado had asked her personal questions that made her uncomfortable, according to the lawsuit, and his behavior became more aggressive once she was there full-time, the complaint said.

He would stand and watch her work, come up behind her and smell her hair, wrap his arms around her waist from behind, slowly scratch her back, and at one point forcibly attempted to kiss her, she alleges.

"One day, Alvarado said she should be his mistress in order for him to favor her in getting overtime, less work, and for him to prioritize her at work," the suit says. "Plaintiff rejected his advances and told him, 'No,' and that she just came to do her job. She said she didn't want to be his lover or in his favor."

After that, he retaliated by "treating her harshly, unfairly criticizing her, giving her extra work, and making unwarranted complaints about her work," the complaint continues. He would deprive her of necessary supplies and demand that she get on her knees in front of him to re-clean spots

See **HARASSMENT** page 30A



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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.

Public meetings are being held to provide additional opportunities to hear from our community. These meeting will take place on the following days:

Monday November 6, 2023, from 10:00 AM-12:00 PM via Zoom

Wednesday November 8, 2023, starts at 8:30 at 1441 Schilling Place, Salinas or via Zoom

Tuesday November 14, 2023, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM via Zoom

All meetings can be accessed via Zoom. Link below:
<https://montereycty.zoom.us/j/95332162459?pwd=Zkd0RmdPZitZZDQ2VTNxSW1peHJOdz09>

The public comment period closes on Friday, November 17, 2023.

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Police & Sheriff's Log

Benjamin goes astray downtown

HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Office last week. This week's log was compiled by Mary Schley.

Carmel area: Adult Protective Service report of financial abuse on Rio Road.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Civil matter at Lobos and First.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Suspicious circumstances on Dolores south of Fifth.

Pacific Grove: Report of a motorcycle theft on 19th Street. Bike currently at the tow yard.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a residence on Story Road for a disturbance.

Carmel area: Rio Road resident was referred to the hospital for a psychiatric evaluation.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female lost her wallet while visiting the downtown area. She called back at a later time and said her wallet was returned to her by a finder in town.

Pebble Beach: CPS referral of possible child abuse on Forest Lodge Road. Investigated and allegation was unfounded.

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

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male stated he is missing several gold coins from his residence on Junipero Street.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Welfare check on son at Junipero and 11th per CPS referral for alleged child abuse. No evidence of abuse at this time.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Sexual battery of restaurant employee by a patron on Fifth east of San Carlos. The 58-year-old male suspect was located, arrested and booked into Monterey County Jail.

Pacific Grove: Drug overdose on Locust Street. Narcan administered by a family member.

Pacific Grove: Subject contacted while in the act of using methamphetamine.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded for a welfare check on Via Mariquita.

Carmel area: Resident reported someone threw an egg at a residence on Isabella.

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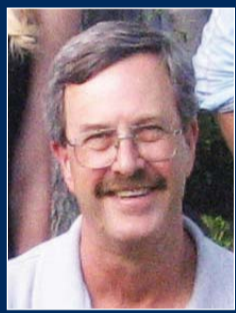
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The gavel falls

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

Sept. 20 — Judge Rafael Vazquez sentenced Oscar Gonzales Padilla, 45 and a resident of Salinas, to 10 years in prison for two counts of committing lewd acts upon a child under 14 years old. Both offenses are violent felonies and are considered "strikes" under California's three strikes law. In addition to his prison sentence, Padilla will also be required to register as a sex offender.

Jane Doe reported that Padilla, a family member, sexually assaulted her over her clothes from when she was 13 years old to 15 years old. Padilla waited for everyone to go to sleep before he sexually assaulted Doe, who delayed disclosing the abuse for several years. Doe stated she was hesitant to report the sexual assaults to law enforcement because she didn't want to cause any issues for Padilla's children. According to research into sexual assault victim behavior, it is very common for victims to delay reporting the sexual abuse, especially when the victim is a minor and has a close relationship with the perpetrator.

This case was investigated by Detective Yolanda Rocha and other officers from the Salinas Police Department, as well as Mon-

terey County District Attorney Investigator Alicia Cox. Jane Doe was assisted by victim witness assistance program manager Alma Sanchez.

Sept. 20 — Rafael Vazquez sentenced Alejandro Acosta Romero, 32 and a resident of Salinas, to 12 years in prison for committing one count of committing forcible sexual penetration with a foreign object upon a minor over 14 years old and one count of committing lewd acts upon a child under 14 years old. Both offenses are violent felonies and considered "strikes" under California's three strikes law. Romero will also be required to register as a sex offender for the rest of his life.

Jane Doe reported that Romero, a family member, sexually assaulted her on three separate occasions. The sexual assaults began when she was 12 years old. Doe delayed disclosing the abuse for several months before she bravely reported to law enforcement. Doe stated she was hesitant to report the sexual assaults to law enforcement because she loved the defendant and was afraid she wouldn't

See **GAVEL** page 30A



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WOMAN WHO ABUSED YOUNG CHILD TO SERVE SIX MONTHS IN JAIL

By KELLY NIX

THE MARINA childcare provider who was caught on surveillance video abusing a 2-year-old boy was sentenced to six months in jail and felony probation in a Salinas courtroom last week.

On Oct. 27, Monterey County Superior Court Judge Stephanie Hulsey ordered Christine Marie Aiello, 61, to be remanded into custody to begin serving a six-month sentence behind bars. Aiello was also given four years of felony probation for assaulting and injuring Enzo McClain on May 25 at Miss Barbara's Child Care Center, where she worked.

"Classroom surveillance video clearly showed a teacher forcefully and repeatedly slamming Enzo down, causing injuries," according to a Sept. 28 lawsuit filed by McClain's mother against Aiello, the owner of the daycare facility, and its administrator, which alleges negligence and infliction of emotional distress.

Members of the boy's family spoke at last week's sentencing about the impact the traumatic incident has had on him and his parents, "who put their trust in the defendant and the daycare center to keep their

child safe, only to have that trust broken," prosecutors said.

The boy's mother found out about the abuse after he came home from the Marina daycare facility with new scratches and scrapes and told her that Aiello "hurt him," the Monterey County District Attorney's Office said.

The video also depicted Aiello attempting to hold him down on the mat using a chair, the DA's office said.

Bruises, scratches

McClain contacted Marina Police after finding bruises and scratches on her son's face, head, neck, ear and back. Aiello, McClain said in her lawsuit, claimed that Enzo had "thrown a fit and had fallen on a fence as she took him to her room." The childcare teacher also said she was "unaware" the boy had been hurt.

Aiello, who is being held in Monterey County Jail, pleaded no contest — the same as a guilty plea — to felony child abuse on Sept. 22 following her June 12 arrest by Marina Police. She'll serve her sentence in county jail.

The Marina childcare center has since shut its doors.

Dog rescue hosts open house in P.G.

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

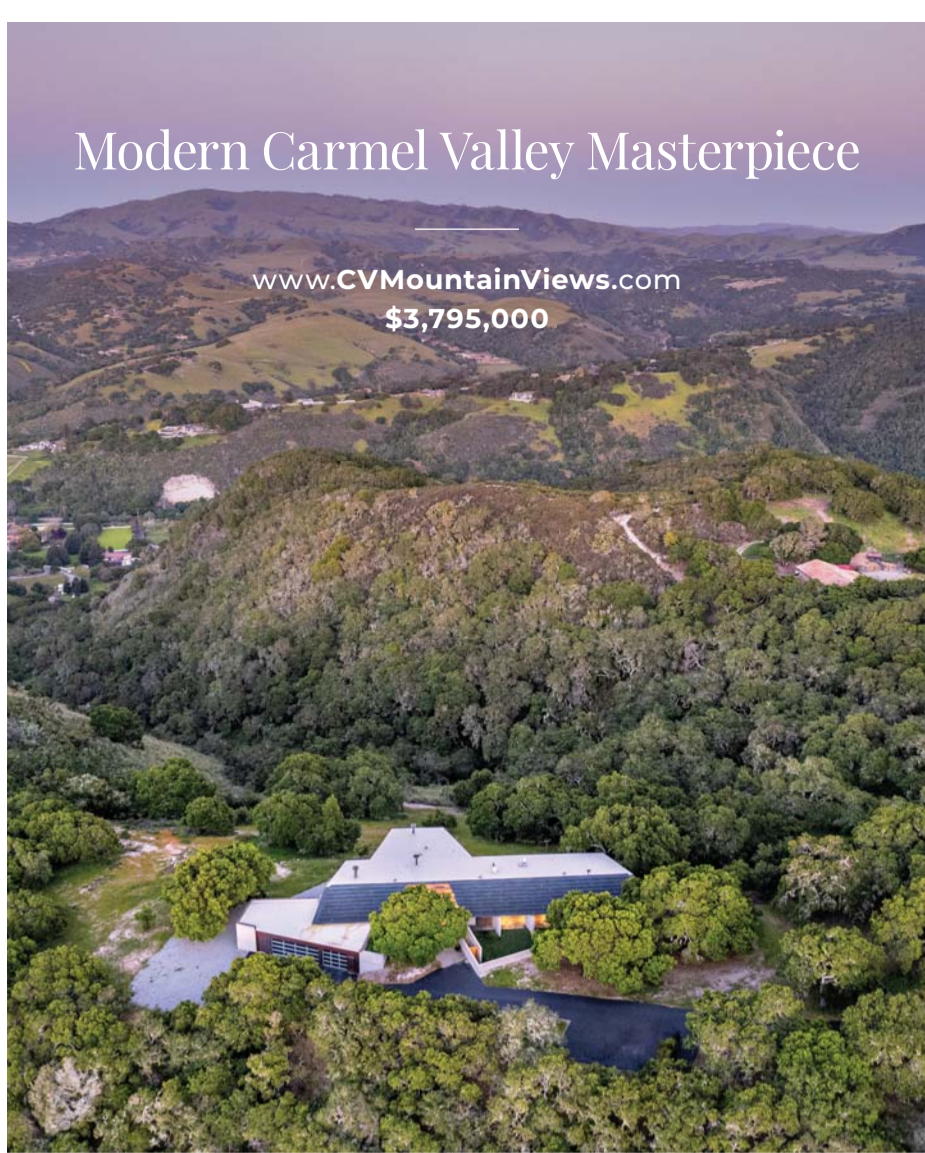
PEACE OF Mind Dog Rescue, a non-profit that finds forever homes for senior dogs and for those whose owners are too old to care for them any longer, will hold an open house and adoption event at its headquarters in Pacific Grove Nov. 18 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Peace of Mind typically has as many as 90 adoptable dogs in foster homes, and around 30 of them will be at the open

house, ready to meet potential saviors. Since its inception in 2009, POMDR has rescued more than 3,500 dogs and has provided volunteer and financial assistance to more than 2,500 guardians and their pets.

Members of the public are invited to mingle with the POMDR staff, volunteers and pups while enjoying hot apple cider and cookies.

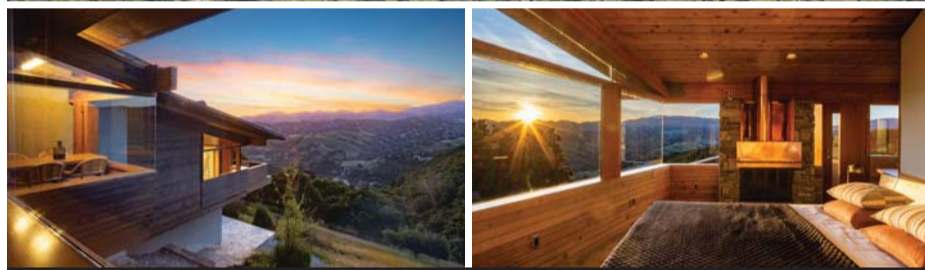
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Work to remove logjam in Big Sur is underway, motorists can expect delays

By CHRIS COUNTS

A MASSIVE logjam on the Big Sur River just north of Fernwood Resort is pushing the river toward Highway 1 and threatening to undermine it, but work is underway to remove the logs and woody debris causing the blockage, according to Caltrans spokesperson Kevin Drabinski.

Using heavy equipment, Blaze Engineering is doing the work, which is expected to cost about \$800,000.

Heavy equipment

Because the river is threatening Highway 1, the state roads agency has been tasked by the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services with leading the effort to remove the logjam.

While there will be some delays for motorists, the work won't be done from the highway with a crane. Instead, Blaze says it has "created access"

to the river for its heavy equipment. From there, the debris will be transported off-site with trucks.

Caltrans said there will be "intermittent traffic control at this location with occasional delays of five to 10 minutes" during construction. "Activities will take place seven days a week with extended shifts in an effort to clear the logjam in advance of higher river flows this winter," Drabinski said.

Biological monitors will be on site to assure that environmental laws are followed. The waterway has been designated a Wild and Scenic River by the federal government. Also, because steelhead use logjams as shelter along the river, workers used netting to isolate them from the work.

"Once the logs are removed, officials are hopeful the river will return to its natural course," Drabinski explained. The job is expected to be finished by Nov. 16.



PHOTO/CALTRANS

At a site just north of Fernwood Resort in Big Sur, Blaze Engineering is removing a logjam — and protecting steelhead at the same time by using netting to keep them away from the work zone.

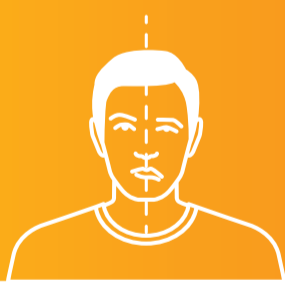


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License plate cameras find ‘stolen’ car

By KELLY NIX

A CAMERA system recently installed in Pacific Grove that captures photos of license plates of vehicles entering and exiting the city recently snapped an image of a vehicle that was reported stolen. But the supposed thief turned out to be the car’s owner.

On Oct. 24 at about 1:10 p.m., Pacific Grove Police received a notification from Flock Safety — the surveillance camera company — about a stolen vehicle near Forest and David avenues. One of the Flock license plate reader cameras is positioned on David Avenue southwest of Forest Avenue and captured the vehicle’s plate number.

Police later spotted the vehicle and its driver near Highway 1 and Del Monte Avenue in Monterey and officers stopped the car with guns drawn. However, the car was not stolen.

“Through the investigation, it was determined the driver of the vehicle was in fact the owner,” who did not

report to police that “he had previously recovered the vehicle,” P.G. Police said. “The driver and the vehicle were released at the scene.”

While the owner of the car failed to tell police he’d gotten the vehicle back, which caused the mixup, the cameras worked as intended.

Guns drawn

Pacific Grove Police Cmdr. Brian Anderson said officers from Monterey assisted in the apprehension of the driver before he was let go.

“This was a confirmed stolen vehicle, a felony, so a felony traffic stop was conducted,” Anderson explained, meaning officers took specific measures, including drawing their guns on the driver, before they took him into custody.

The P.G. City Council in March voted to enter into a two-year, \$65,000 contract with Flock to install a dozen fixed automated license plate readers in Pacific Grove. The

cameras capture “readable images” of vehicles and license plates, which police and Flock say will allow officers to crosscheck plate numbers against those of stolen cars or vehicles belonging to those wanted for crimes.

Pacific Grove, according to its “transparency portal” for the camera system, indicates 10 of 12 cameras have been installed throughout the city.

A spokesman for Caltrans told The Pine Cone that PGPD has applied for permits to install two cameras on Highway 68, which the state road agency manages.

“The permit was accepted for initial processing and has been forwarded to staff,” Jim Shivers said. “We expect resolution on this matter in a couple of months.”

Pacific Grove Police officers are required to verify through a California law enforcement database that a car is tied to a crime, “before taking enforcement action that is based solely on an automated license plate reader alert,” according to the police department’s policy on the camera system.

“Because the automatic alert may relate to a vehicle and may not relate to the person operating the vehicle, officers are reminded that they need to have reasonable suspicion and/or probable cause to make an enforcement stop of any vehicle,” the PGPD policy manual says.

For instance, if a vehicle is entered into the Flock system because of its association with a wanted person, officers should try to visually match the driver to the description of the wanted subject prior to making the stop or should have another legal basis for making the stop, the manual explains.

PACIFIC GROVE GETS INTERIM CITY MANAGER

By KELLY NIX

A GROVER Beach man who’s spent more than four decades working in municipal government, including in Monterey County, will be Pacific Grove’s interim city manager, the city council decided Wednesday.

Robert Perrault, 72, will be paid an hourly rate of \$103.85, based on an annual salary of \$216,000, to serve in the role, and he won’t receive any benefits, such as retirement and medical. He will start the job Nov. 6.

Perrault will relieve P.G. administrative services director Tori Hannah, who was appointed as city manager pro

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State agency tests oil spill containment strategy in lagoon

By CHRIS COUNTS

AT A site where residents worry for good reason about flooding and erosion from winter storms, a state agency this week was preparing for a different kind of disaster — an oil spill.

A team from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife assembled at the north end of Carmel River Beach Wednesday morning to test “oil spill containment strategies geared to protect sensitive habitat in the event of a spill that would impact the Carmel River Lagoon.”

Along the edge of the lagoon, an oil boom, which is a temporary floating barrier, was deployed. The barriers are commonly used to keep oil from spreading as it floats.

According to agency spokesperson Eric Laughlin, the operation was a success, and much was learned about the site.

“Two hundred feet of boom was deployed in the Carmel River channel,” Laughlin said. “The ideal positioning was documented and would be used in the event of an oil spill. If there was an offshore oil

spill, strategies like these are essential for keeping oil out of the channel.”

The risks to the lagoon from an oil spill are greater during the wet season. “During the dry season, the lagoon is closed by a natural sand berm,” Laughlin said.

Besides employing the containment barrier, Laughlin said creating a berm “with native soil” is also an option for protecting the lagoon from a spill.

Last big one in 2021

Wednesday’s exercise was attended by representatives of the United States Coast Guard and California State Parks, and members of the Kakoon Ta Ruk Band of Ohlone Indians of the Big Sur Rancheria and Costanoan Rumsen Carmel Tribe.

While spills are reported along the California coastline rather infrequently, they do happen — the last significant one dumped an estimated 600 barrels of oil in the ocean off the coast of Huntington Beach in 2021. That disaster came six years after the Refugio spill, where more than 3,400 barrels of oil ended up in the ocean and along the coast of Santa Barbara.



To be prepared for a worst-case scenario, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife tests containment strategies for an oil spill Wednesday morning at the Carmel River Lagoon.

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Undergrounding utilities, Mills Act contracts, house numbers on agenda

By MARY SCHLEY

A LOT of policy discussion is on tap for the Nov. 7 city council meeting, when decision makers will be asked to weigh in on street addresses, the contracts that give property owners significant tax breaks in exchange for pledges to restore and maintain their historic buildings, and a proposed preservation program for old but less significant homes.

They'll also be asked to vote on a utility-undergrounding project and to overhaul stormwater ordinances to align them with federal, state and local laws.

According to the report prepared by administrative analyst Emily Garay for next Tuesday's meeting, it's possible to establish a system of street addresses without triggering the U.S. Postal Service to shut down the Fifth Avenue post office and launch home mail delivery, which council members have said they don't want.

Implementing house numbers would require collaboration between city officials and the postal service, according to Garay, "but it will not necessarily automatically trigger at-home/door-to-door mail delivery." Instead, the city would have to specifically request delivery. Her presentation will include explanation and analysis of the USPS' protocols and of the state fire and building codes as they relate to street addresses, and she'll ask the council how it wants to proceed.

Historic preservation

With a slim majority of council members repeatedly objecting to Mills Act contracts, which provide tax breaks to encourage the owners of historic buildings to preserve them, planning director Brandon Swanson will explain how the agreements work, what the financial implications are and how other cities handle them.

According to his report, of the 73 jurisdictions he contacted, 40 responded, and a majority of those impose no restrictions on Mills Act contracts, which require a 10-year work plan and are renewed annually unless either side decides to back out. Seventeen cities impose restrictions such as caps on the number of contracts, and limits on assessed valuation or on the amount of tax revenues lost. A couple of the jurisdictions only allow the contracts for residences. Swanson will ask the council for further direction.

Notable homes

Also on the topic of historic preservation, council members will consider a program that would offer incentives to people who own houses that are at least 70 years old but aren't significant enough to be considered historic. Created by historic resources board member Karyl Hall to help prevent smaller, older houses from being substantially remodeled or torn down to make way for new ones, the Notable Home Incentive Program would motivate owners by offering reduced permit fees, waived or reduced requirements for parking and setbacks, and other bonuses.

If the council wants to proceed with the program, principal planner Marnie Waffle will inquire where it should fall on the priority list of the department's projects. And if council members are uninterested, they could direct staff and the HRB to stop working on the program.

Since the late 1960s, PG&E customers have been paying into a fund for undergrounding utilities, and the city had amassed \$992,053, according to public works director Bob Harary. But since Carmel had no active undergrounding projects, the utility company began shifting

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\$100 million Sam Farr agricultural research center opens in Salinas

By CHRIS COUNTS

AN AGRICULTURE research facility in Salinas that cost taxpayers more than \$100 million is up and running, a spokesperson for the United States Department of Agriculture, Jess Ryan, told The Pine Cone.

To honor the former congressman, the 117,000-square-foot facility at 1636 E. Alisal St. has been named the Sam Farr United States Crop Improvement and Protection Research Center.

Ryan said researchers at the center are studying how “viral, fungal and bacterial diseases are affecting our nation’s fruit and vegetables industries,” and he said its labs are utilizing cutting-edge technology in their efforts. The USDA, meanwhile, has suggested that the facility has the capability to “vastly advance our research on the sustainable production of vegetable and fruit crops.”

The project got its start in the 1990s, after Farr toured a federal agriculture research facility in Salinas. “It was run down, and the buildings were dilapidated,” he recalled. Recognizing the value of a modern research facility located in the heart of one of the nation’s most productive agricultural regions, Farr began pushing his colleagues in Congress to fund the construction. He brought several of them to Salinas to see the site up close, and later convinced the USDA to consider a proposal to construct a new facility based on its merits,

which he said made it easier to get the project funded.

According to Farr, scientists at the facility are identifying threats to crops — and seeking to eliminate those threats.

“In one building, they will raise bugs and plants that do harm, and in the other building, they will raise the things that will kill them,” said the former congressman, who was a biology major in college.

Already attracting attention

Farr said the facility is already getting attention from those within the research industry. “They’re now getting applications from top scientists throughout the

country,” he said.

The project broke ground in August 2020 with a ceremony that was attended by Farr and Congressman Jimmy Panetta — both of whom “led the charge” for the complex, according to the USDA.

According to Ryan, Republican congressional staffer Tom O’Brien suggested the facility be named after Farr because he put so much energy into making it a reality. The former congressman “was instrumental” in keeping the push for the research facility on track, Ryan added.

“I was really touched,” Farr added. “I had no expectation that anything would be named after me.”



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A new agricultural research center in Salinas will help scientists keep crops safe from pests and diseases.

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MONTEREY COUNTY announced this week it’s offering money to people who help local wildlife.

On Thursday, the county said it’s handing out grants, which typically range from \$2,000 to \$10,000, to those who “enhance or improve local wildlife.”

“These grants can support a wide variety of work, from boots-on-the-ground habitat or environmental projects, to education and scientific research,” the county said.

Past projects include removing nets and fishing equipment that ensnare marine life, including migrating whales, and releasing 160,000 Chinook salmon smolts in Monterey Bay to mitigate the impacts of habitat degradation.

The Monterey County Fish and Game Advisory Commission reviews grant applications and makes funding recommendations. Applications must be received by Nov. 17. Information and applications are available at shorturl.at/cdjP4.

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Bacterial infection likely to blame for spike in sea lion mortality

By MARY SCHLEY

PROMPTING COMPLAINTS, queries and outcries, five dead sea lions have washed up on Carmel Beach during the past month or so, according to the public works department, which is tasked with burying the dead sea mammals where they're found. Experts at the Marine Mammal Center, the world's largest marine mammal hospital, speculate that a bacterial infection is to blame.

"Leptospirosis, which can cause kidney failure, has been primarily impacting California sea lions since the late summer along the central and northern California coast," the center's public relations manager, Giancarlo Rulli, said this week. "This

is true historically as well, since the bacterium was first detected in the species in California back in 1970."

He said deaths from the infection are predominantly occurring this year in Sonoma, Monterey, Santa Cruz and Mendocino counties. Many other sea lions have needed treatment.

Cyclical

"The 150-plus sea lions with suspected leptospirosis that have been rescued along our 600-mile California response range so far this year ranks as one of the larger cyclical outbreaks that normally occur every four to five years," he said. However, the spike pales in comparison to the last major outbreak in 2018, when the center admitted more than 300 infected sea lions to its hospital in Sausalito.

Lately, the center has received reports from people finding dead sea lions at beaches in Pebble Beach and Carmel. "However, the number of calls has decreased considerably since its height in September," Rulli said.

The sea lions' state of decomposition and lack of necropsies in most cases have made it difficult to determine whether the animals died from leptospirosis infections, but the Moss Landing Marine Lab is investigating, he said.

"Veterinarians can usually identify leptospirosis in a patient even before laboratory tests confirm a diagnosis, because of the infection's distinctive symptoms in California sea lions, which include drinking water and folding the flippers over the abdomen," Rulli added.

Marine mammals generally don't need to drink water because they get their hydration

from food, but when their kidneys fail, as happens with leptospirosis, they can't filter toxins or regulate hydration.

"There are some marine mammals that do drink seawater occasionally to complement the majority of their hydration coming from their primary food sources, but as a general rule, it's not common," Rulli said.

Many marine mammals, including California sea lions, have specialized kidneys that can handle high concentrations of seawater without dehydration. Known as reniculate kidneys, they have multiple lobes that increase their urine-concentrating efficiency. Veterinarians and volunteers at the marine mammal center's hospital keep an eye on sea lions afflicted with leptospirosis to see if they are drinking from the saltwater pools or excessively from

freshwater dishes in the pens, according to Rulli.

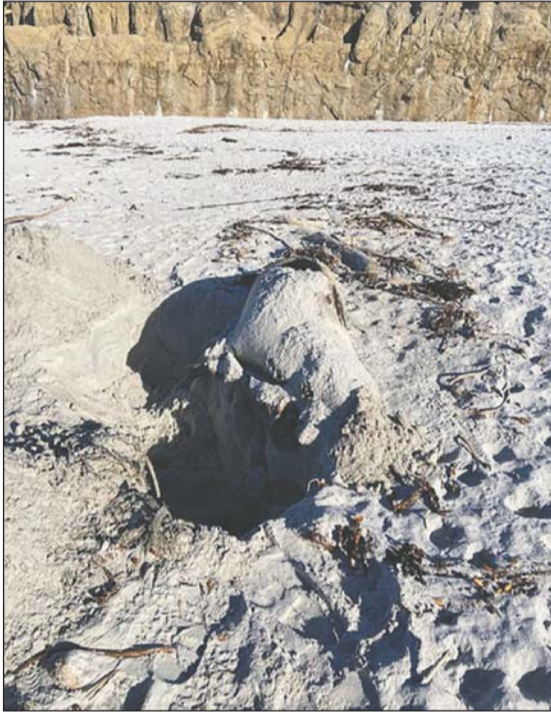
"Sea lions diagnosed with leptospirosis are treated at the center's hospital with antibiotics, fluids and other supportive care, such as gastroprotectants for stomach and intestinal ulcers," he continued. "Unfortunately, even with treatment, roughly two-thirds of the animals that become stranded with leptospirosis do not survive."

Scientists also don't know why the outbreaks occur, though researchers believe changes in herd immunity, sea surface temperatures and migration patterns could be factors.

Dogs can be infected by leptospirosis, too, Rulli cautioned.

"One reminder I'd like to add to your

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Public works crews are in charge of burying dead sea lions and other marine mammals at Carmel Beach, and sometimes it takes awhile.

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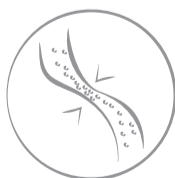
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If you ever wanted to speak your mind about trees, here's your chance

By MARY SCHLEY

TREES ARE a complex issue in Carmel. Are there too many? Too few? Are they more important in Carmel than dogs and people, or less? Which are the wrong kinds in the wrong places, and which are the right kinds in the right places? Planners are preparing to update the city's urban forest management plan and have launched a survey seeking public input on everything related to trees. The survey is available online and in print until Nov. 13.

The forest management plan will serve as "an important road map for the preservation and maintenance of Carmel-by-the-Sea's urban forest over the next 40 years," according to city officials. Public participation will help ensure the new plan "reflects the community's vision for the future of the urban forest," which encompasses all the trees in town, regardless of whether they're growing on your land, along the street, downtown, in a park or by the beach.

In an online video Friday, city administrator Chip Rerig and planning director Brandon Swanson urged people to complete the survey.

"This is how we're going to prepare for the era of our changing forest and get input from the community," Rerig explained. He speculated the emphasis on planting coast live oaks, Monterey pines, Monterey

cypress and redwoods would continue.

"I can't see the 'big four' trees not continuing to be the trees we focus most on for our replanting efforts," he said, but the key is planting the right tree in the right place.

"You can't put a redwood tree in a 1-square-foot tree well," Swanson agreed. "It won't live, and if it does, it's going to destroy the street and sidewalk."

21 questions

The survey, prepared by Davey Resources Group, takes about 15 minutes to complete and touches upon all things tree related, from whether the city has too many, too few, or just the right number, and their benefits and drawbacks, to where they are most and least appreciated, the rate at which they should be planted, and whether the city budgets enough money for them. The questionnaire was created with feedback from the forest and beach commission and includes 21 questions, including some that require elaboration.

Rerig and Swanson also noted that the survey won't be the only opportunity for the public to opine on the subject, since the forest management plan will undergo numerous public hearings. To take the survey online, go to surveymonkey.com/r/carmelurbanforestmanagementplansurvey. Paper copies can be found at the post office, city hall, the library and the public works department.

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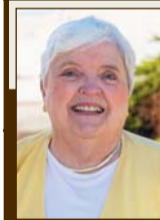
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Culvert work finished in Big Sur, closed area moves south to Paul's Slide

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE EFFORT to restore vehicle travel between Carmel and Cambria took a small step forward this week when Caltrans announced that a culvert has been replaced where Dani Creek runs beneath Highway 1. As a result, the highway now is closed only from Paul's Slide to Limekiln State Park — a distance of about a mile.

Located just north of the New Camaldoli Hermitage, the culvert was badly damaged during storms in March, which caused the highway to be undermined and left the hermitage isolated. With the repair, motorists can travel south to the popular retreat center with only minor delays.

To make the repairs to the site, "crews created access in steep terrain down to the bottom of the slide, removed some 30,000 cubic yards of material, and built support from the bottom of the slide with fill material," Kevin Drabinski of Caltrans reported.

After stabilizing the steep slope below the pavement, the highway agency installed a new culvert.

"With compacted fill material in place, crews worked

from the inland side of the road to bore through and place an 8-foot-diameter culvert under the roadway," Drabinski explained. "Our crews performed final paving, striping and installation of guardrails over the last few weeks."

There's still some work to do at the site, so "travelers may encounter intermittent traffic control in coming weeks as crews complete revegetation at the site," Drabinski said.

No end in sight

Meanwhile, less than a mile south of the new culvert, repairs continue at Paul's Slide seven days a week. More than 500,000 yards of dirt, rock and debris have fallen on the highway since a series of storms hit the coast early this year.

"Due to dynamic conditions at the repair site, as well as anticipated impacts associated with inclement weather in the upcoming months, we have no estimated time for full reopening of Highway 1 at Paul's Slide," his report added.



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In March after heavy rains, Highway 1 collapsed just north of the New Camaldoli Hermitage in Big Sur. An aerial photo shows the extent of the damage.

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CARMEL VALLEY FLOOD CONTROL GETS \$10 MILLION, WORK TO START IN JULY

By CHRIS COUNTS

AN AMBITIOUS \$25 million flood control project in Carmel Valley received a big boost last month when the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation awarded it \$10 million. The money comes from taxpayer-funded grants and donations.

The work includes restoring native

vegetation on 185 acres along both banks of the Carmel River as it passes through the former Rancho Cañada Golf Club, excavating about 40 acres, constructing a pedestrian bridge, removing rip-rap and improving a network of trails. Black cottonwoods, dogwoods, willows, bullrushes, sedges and horsetails will be planted, and a temporary irrigation system will be

installed.

Besides reducing the impact of flooding on nearby neighborhoods like Hacienda Carmel, the project will improve habitat for steelhead, the California red-legged frog, migratory birds and other wildlife.

“When completed, this project will not only reconnect the Carmel River to its floodplain and improve overall watershed function, it will provide a gateway to the larger Palo Corona Regional Park,” said Rachel Couch, an official for the State Coastal Conservancy.

Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District official Jake Smith said much time was invested in pursuing the money.

“This award is a testament to the power of partnerships and years of hard work by organizations and community members to make rewilding this property a reality,” Smith said. “This project will become a model for how our public parks and open spaces can be redefined to provide greater benefit to our communities for generations to come.”

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation has awarded more than \$6.8 billion in conservation funding since it was chartered by Congress in 1983.

The project is expected to break ground next July. An additional \$15 million needs to be raised to pay for the work.

Embattled light poles going up at CHS

By MARY SCHLEY

LEGAL BATTLES notwithstanding, construction workers at Carmel High School this week began erecting the 70-to-80-foot-tall light poles that are at the center of a lawsuit between a group of neighbors and the school district.

The poles, which are topped with LED fixtures, are part of a larger project that also includes new parking areas, paths and an interior road, replacement of lights at the pool, and a storage area next to the athletic field with a spectator platform on top.

Alleging violations of the California Environmental Quality Act, a group of people calling itself Save Carmel, late last year sued the Carmel Unified School District over its approval of the project.

Restraining order

After seeing construction equipment on the CHS campus in May, Save Carmel also asked for an emergency restraining order to prevent the school district from beginning construction until its lawsuit makes its way through the courts. Its attorney

filed the motion “ex parte” — legal terminology meaning “one side only” — and asked Monterey County Superior Court Judge Thomas Wills to rule on it without the school district having a chance to formally respond.

In early June, he denied Save Carmel’s request but did so “without prejudice to petitioner’s ability to seek a temporary restraining order on a properly noticed motion.”

Court records indicate Save Carmel made no further attempts, however.

Both sides were more recently in settlement talks, but those efforts fell apart, too.

In April, the school board approved a contract with Monterey Peninsula Engineering for the first phase of the project, which covers the lights at the field and the pool, at a cost of \$1,043,000, and the Department of State Architect approved the plans.

Phase II will include the athletic storage building and viewing platform, as well as additional parking near the pool, and Phase III will involve additional parking and an internal road.

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Councilman to fight against mayor's online public comment ban

By KELLY NIX

A PACIFIC Grove city councilman opposed to the mayor's recent decision to prohibit citizen comments at public meetings via the Zoom application is waging an effort to try to overturn the ban.

On Oct. 26, Pacific Grove Mayor Bill Peake told The Pine Cone that he would no longer allow public comments to be made through Zoom, which offers a way for people to address council members and others without having to attend meetings in person. Peake's unilateral decision came after an Oct. 18 council meeting in which several men used racial slurs and numerous antisemitic remarks on Zoom as a disruption tactic.

But Peake's Zoom ban has agitated several residents and councilman Luke Coletti, who said this week he'll try to reverse it. Coletti added an item on the Nov. 15 city council agenda entitled "Remote Public Participation at City Meetings" in an effort to do that.

"We should not limit residents' First Amendment rights to criticize government by prohibiting public comment from Zoom users," Coletti said Wednesday afternoon. "Zoom has opened up access to government and there is no reason to shut it down."

'No authority'

Coletti went on to tell The Pine Cone that his agenda item seeks to restore comments via Zoom and "overturn the mayor's ban, which he had no authority to implement."

Coletti said he intends for his Nov. 15 agenda item to be the first step in "restoring remote public participation at public meetings," and he wants council members and citizens to weigh in, including on ways to contend with racist, pornographic and other offensive comments in online comments.

The councilman said he's also going to participate in a Nov. 9 roundtable on "Zoom Disruption" hosted by the League of California Cities.

"These incidents interfere with the public's right to

weigh in on important local issues, slow routine business, and take a mental toll on city officials," the League said on its website.

Hate speech

During the Oct. 18 meeting when people on Zoom used the offensive language, city attorney Brian Pierik recommended Peake warn the callers to stop and to keep their comments relevant to the discussion at hand. If they continued using offensive language, Pierik said Peake should mute them.

Using Zoom and other online meeting applications began during the Covid-19 pandemic, but many cities have continued the practice. Peake's decision applies to all city meetings.

As an alternative to attending meetings in person and

using Zoom, Peake has said people could email council members beforehand with their concerns and ideas.

But that idea was not well received at Wednesday's council meeting, where several residents criticized the decision to stop using Zoom.

Lisa Ciani acknowledged that hate speech on Zoom is a "serious problem that must be addressed," but she said writing to council members is not the same.

"Written comments are not a substitute for in-the-moment oral comments," Ciani said, adding that the threat of Covid-19 and another medical issue would prevent her from attending future city meetings in person.

Former P.G. Mayor Carmelita Garcia said she understands it can be difficult for members of the council to hear

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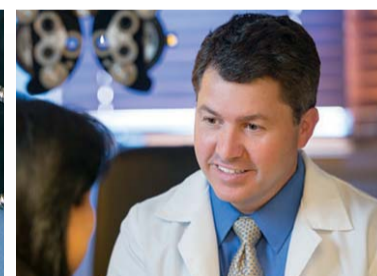
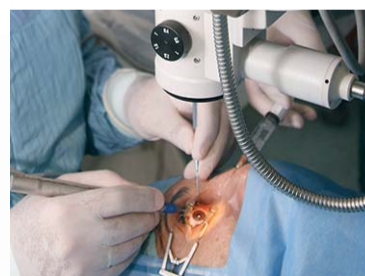
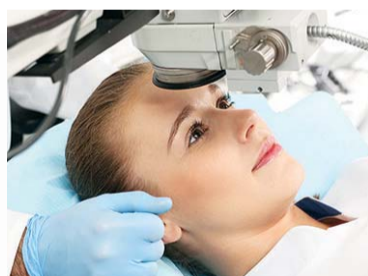
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Lion makes bail, told to stay away

By MARY SCHLEY

THE AG executive arrested last month for assaulting construction workers, throwing rocks at cars and strewing debris across Highway 1 in the Carmel Highlands made bail last month and has already made himself unwelcome at at least one downtown business. He was also cited for trespassing after running the gate into Pebble Beach.

Bruce Lion, whose family has been producing raisins in the Central Valley for 120 years, was arrested Sept. 21 after fighting with deputies and was subsequently charged with multiple felonies, including assault with a deadly weapon, assault with the intent to cause great bodily injury, throwing substances at vehicles, vandalism and resisting arrest. He was also separately charged with a misdemeanor for illegally being inside someone's home a few days earlier.

Lion was initially jailed without bail, but a subsequent hearing had the judge

set the amount at \$180,000 in the felony case and \$50,000 in the misdemeanor case. American Surety Co. covered the bail, with Lion providing \$18,000 for the felonies and \$5,000 for the misdemeanor, and the bonds were posted Oct. 20, releasing him from jail with a promise to appear in a Salinas courtroom for his next hearing Nov. 16.



Bruce Lion

Banned from bar

Since his release, Lion has returned to his habit of prolifically posting photos and videos on Facebook, including footage from his Carmel Highlands house, outings in downtown Carmel, and videos in which he talks about his arrest and his desire to fight the deputies who took him into custody.

On Oct. 24 at 11:19 p.m., officers responded to a report of two men yelling at each other and found Lion fighting with the manager over a bill, according to Carmel Police Sgt. Michael Bruno.

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REWARD OFFERED IN KILLING OF COW

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE OWNER of the Lonely Bull Cattle Company and a longtime Big Sur resident, Chris Moon told The Pine Cone that someone shot and killed one of his pregnant cows as she grazed on someone else's pasture in Carmel Valley. He's offering a \$5,000 reward for information that leads to a conviction of the perpetrator.

While Moon wouldn't say precisely where the shooting happened in order to protect the property owner's privacy, he said it happened sometime during the night of Oct. 19-20. The deceased cow wasn't discovered until the next day.

"She had a bullet hole about 2 inches behind her left eye," he reported. "Nobody lives nearby, so I don't think the gunshot could be heard."

Moon can only speculate what happened. He noted there was big bright moon that night.

"I have absolutely no idea why someone would do that," he said. "There's been poaching of pigs going on at night, and perhaps someone thought she was a pig. It's quite disappointing this is going on."

Due to have a calf

Not only was the news of the cow's killing sad, but Moon told The Pine Cone that her loss will hit his business hard.

"She was a 5-year-old black Angus in very good health, and she was due to have a baby this month," he explained. "A cow of that type is worth \$2,000 to \$3,000, and in six months, the calf would be worth \$1,500 to \$2,000. Over the course of her life, the cow would have given birth every year annually for 12-15 years."

As for the reward, if anyone has any information that could lead to prosecuting the individual who shot the cow, you can send an email to chris@lonelybullcattleco.com.

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Closed for more than 20 years, Monterey's First Theatre back in business

By CHRIS COUNTS

A LOCAL landmark that was built as a boarding house and tavern for sailors in 1845 — and three years later was turned into a venue for theatrical events — California's First Theatre in Monterey is set to reopen with a fundraising event Nov. 2. The event would be the first time the theater has been open since it was closed for repairs in 2000.

The building, at Pacific and Scott streets, is owned by California State Parks, which teamed up with the Monterey State Historic Park Association to undertake the restoration. The effort cost about \$1.35 million, with the money coming from Proposition 84, the National Park Service's Save America's Treasures program, the

MSHPA, the Community Foundation for Monterey County and the Monterey Peninsula Foundation.

Not only were the theater's walls and a chimney stabilized, and drainage and fire safety improvements made, but the building also received ADA upgrades.

Opened in 1848

Using wood and adobe, English mariner Jack Swan constructed the building as a house, then a saloon, over a three-year period. Shortly after he began work, the United States captured Monterey from Mexico.

In 1848, officers stationed at the Presidio of Monterey put out word that they were seeking a place to put on plays, and Swan responded by adding a modest stage, benches for seating for about 200 people,

whale-oil lamps, footlight candles and makeshift curtains. The venue's first name was "The Union Theatre for the production of Melodramas."

According to the MSHPA, the theater will be "a resource to the community

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City busy with trees

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

CONTRACTORS WORKING for the city have been busy cutting down dead and dangerous trees, pruning near power lines and removing stumps, according to the public works and forestry department. One of several on-call companies, Community Tree Service, completed “a whopping \$115,000 worth of tree work in just one month,” city officials said, while the forestry crews have focused on removing smaller trees and planting new ones.

Coming up on the list for future removals are a very large dead pine in Devendorf Park near the intersection of Junipero and Ocean, and four “malformed, diseased, dead or dying” Monterey pines in the Ocean Avenue median islands.

The work will also mark the start of a new landscaping project in the medians in partnership with the nonprofit volunteer group, Carmel Cares.

Wastewater opening

A QUALIFIED person is sought to fill a vacancy on the Carmel Area Wastewater District Board of Directors, which oversees the treatment of local wastewater.

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SEA LION

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readers at The Pine Cone is that dogs are susceptible to contracting leptospirosis, and it can be deadly,” he said. “It’s important for pet owners to contact their local veterinarian to get their dogs vaccinated for leptospirosis and keep their dogs on leashes — do not let them approach live or dead marine mammals.”

Upon learning a dead sea lion has washed up on the beach, public works crews will bury it as soon as possible, according to the city. Sometimes, the animal is located in the surf line, causing a delay until the tides recede and a pit can be dug so workers can “lay the poor seals to rest.”

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CITY EXPECTS TO REVIEW STATE'S FEEDBACK ON HOUSING PLAN NOV. 13

By MARY SCHLEY

THE CALIFORNIA Department of Housing and Community Development is almost done reviewing the city's plan for accommodating 349 new housing units in Carmel over the next eight years, planning director Brandon Swanson announced Friday, and the city council's ad hoc committee will hold a meeting Nov. 13 at 4 p.m. to review the feedback.

While some cities have received numerous comments, corrections and questions from the state, Swanson said he expects to get a several-page response.

"We're not going to be getting a 20-, 30- or 40-page letter that many cities have gotten," he predicted. "We're still going to get some comments, but it will be a few pages vs. a tome."

City administrator Chip Rerig said a lot of the credit goes to principal planner Marne Waffle and associate planner Katherine Wallace, both of whom worked closely with state officials throughout the process of writing the revised housing element, which is part of the city's general plan.

"The best part of what Marne and Katherine have done is maintain good

communications with the state throughout the drafting process and since we submitted it to them, so that kind of legwork bodes well," he said.

The housing plan identifies potential development sites for the 349 new units — 113 very low income, 74 low income, 44 moderate income and 118 market rate — that the state decreed the city must accommodate to make up for its share of the statewide housing shortage. The city doesn't have to build them but must identify ways to enable and encourage developers to do so.

What lies ahead

According to the plan, which the city council approved 4-1 in August and subsequently submitted to the state, next year will see many of the policy changes come about, including density bonuses, reduced parking requirements and expedited permit processing to encourage developers to build more housing, including affordable units. A handful of properties will see their zoning increase, opening the door for more multifamily housing.

The creation of pre-approved design standards for certain projects containing at

least 20 percent affordable housing would occur in 2025, as would a plan for distributing water to new complexes, among other provisions. Additional programs, including shelf-ready plans for second units on single-family lots, also called ADUs, would

come online in the following years. The housing plan will expire in 2031 and must be updated every eight years.

The meeting will be held in city hall on Monte Verde south of Ocean. More information will be available at ci.carmel.ca.us.

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Tucker strolled uptown weekly to greet the ladies at Girl Boy Girl and beg for a cookie and then off to the Wine Bar at Galante for more cookies from his friend, Janet.

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YOUTH

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violating a Health & Safety Code section that states, “No person, firm, partnership, association or corporation shall operate, establish, manage, conduct, or maintain a child daycare facility in this state without a current valid license.”

Bing Crosby founded the youth center — the first of what would become more than 200 — in 1949, principally as a place for teenagers and other older kids to hang out. It has never had a license, even though it has provided care for children as young as 5, according to the state.

The board and Napoli worked closely with the DSS to complete the application, according to Ruskell. “I would be remiss in not mentioning that this was a Herculean task involving hundreds of labor hours to complete a

5-inch-thick document that required reams of detail,” he said.

Before submitting the application, though, the youth center had to have a childcare director on staff. Napoli started the job as a part-time employee, since she was still running the presidio’s center, but after executive director Teresa Holman abruptly quit in mid-August after two-and-a-half months on the job, she moved to a full-time, salaried position.

Who she is

The youngest of 18 children — nine boys and nine girls — Napoli was born and raised on Fresno’s rough west side. Her father died when she was young, and it was an older brother who helped determine her future when he helped Napoli and her twin sister attend a better high school on the other side of the city, since he was graduating and could no longer protect them in the school where they were.

She went on to graduate from McLane High School and later attended Fresno State, where she obtained a bachelor’s degree in liberal studies with an emphasis on early childhood education. After moving to Monterey, she completed graduate courses in special education while working in the special ed department at North Monterey County High School as a resource specialist program teacher. While she enjoyed working with children of all ages in an academic setting, her calling was to take care of the littlest ones, which led her to the presidio preschool.

When the youth center board asked her to serve as executive director as well as the director of childcare, she said she didn’t hesitate.

“It’s not about me, it’s more about the kids,” she said. “I want the kids to have someplace to come to.”

Financial stability

Ruskell said Napoli developed a financial model for the youth center that will make it stable, even profitable, and that fundraising has remained strong, despite the closure.

“The public has faith in us, even though we’re not open yet,” he said.

While families have had to make do during the closure, Ruskell said he’s not worried about their return once the center reopens.

“We are aware of the fact that there is an under-supply of childcare in the Carmel area,” he said. “There are enough kids around who were using the youth center before and have let us know they want to come back.”

Being “professional and confident, and having a facility they can trust in” will also ensure healthy enrollment.

“We had that before, and I think we’ll have it again,” he said. “We didn’t do anything wrong in the first place, other than not having a license. It’s not as if we had a catastrophic event.”

Ruskell also said everyone involved has been surprised reopening has taken so long, “but that just seems to be the way of the world these days.”

The board and Napoli are also working on the necessary physical improvements to the building, which is available for rental in the meantime. “Our objective remains the same: to ensure the future success of the organization and to make the youth center stronger, wiser and completely compliant,” Ruskell said.

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Panetta deemed 'affordable housing champion'

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

DEMOCRATIC REP. Jimmy Panetta has been honored for his role in advancing policies that expand affordable housing opportunities.

On Oct. 26 he was given the 2023 Affordable Housing Champion Award, "which honors members of Congress who exhibit outstanding leadership in the U.S. Congress toward the advancement of policies that expand affordable housing through the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit," his office said. The Affordable Housing Tax Credit Coalition was behind the award.

Panetta co-leads the efforts of the bipartisan Affordable Housing Credit Improvement Act, which expands and strengthens the housing credit, a Reagan-era tax credit designed to encourage private sector investment in the construction of affordable housing. The AHICIA is intended to "reduce existing barriers to double the number of Housing Credit-funded projects in California."

"Affordable housing is one of the most pressing

MASKS

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for Disease Control and Prevention indicates the county's hospital admission level is "low." Still, Montage noted that the numbers of Monterey County residents getting flu shots and the Covid-19 booster are lower than previous years.

"Masks help prevent the spread of viruses for those in the early stages of an infection who may be asymptomatic but contagious, and they also provide some protection against exposure and infection," according to Montage.

The mask rules will be from Nov. 1 through Jan. 31, 2024, "with the date subject to extension depending on the status of respiratory illness in our community," CHOMP said.

They come after the state's Department of Public Health on April 3 ended mask and Covid vaccination requirements in hospitals, prisons, homeless shelters and other high-risk settings.

challenges facing us in California's 19th Congressional District," Panetta said last week, adding that "increasing the amount of federal low-income tax credits" would "significantly increase the amount of affordable housing all across our communities and country."

Affordable Housing Tax Credit Coalition chief

executive officer Emily Cadik praised the Carmel Valley congressman for being an "leading advocate" for affordable housing.

"As the United States continues to grapple with a severe shortage of affordable housing, Congressman Panetta's leadership on the Affordable Housing Credit Improvement Act has been instrumental in building bipartisan support for policies that would spur the development of more affordable housing in California and nationwide," Cadik said.



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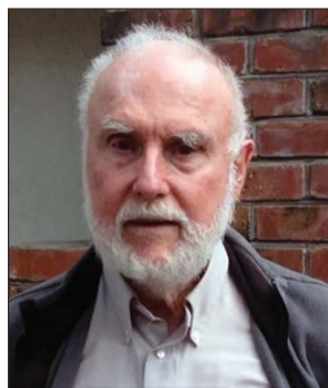
RONALD LEE BRANSON, M.D.

Born: January 1, 1930, Whittier, California

Died: October 17, 2023, Carmichael, California

Ron Branson, a long-time Monterey Peninsula resident, pediatrician, photographer and naturalist, passed away of natural causes on October 17, 2023, in Carmichael, CA, where he and his wife, Mary, recently moved.

Ron was born and raised in Southern California in the era of the Great Depression, but those years also allowed him ample freedoms and opportunities to roam and wander the Los Angeles area before cities merged into the great metropolitan region it is today. Ron graduated from Whittier High School and Pasadena City College before completing his bachelor of science degree at U.C. Berkeley. After graduation he entered the U.S. Navy and was a radioman aboard the U.S.S. Lake Champlain before being honorably discharged. He then enrolled in medical school at U.C. San Francisco, followed by internship and residency programs in San Francisco and Los Angeles hospitals with specialization in allergy management.



Ron met Mary Keeley, the anchor of their family, while in medical school in San Francisco. There, she was beginning her career as a registered nurse after graduating from nursing school in Rochester, Minnesota. They were married June 11, 1957, in Mary's hometown of Janesville, Minnesota. After completing his internship and residency programs, and having two sons and a third child on the way, Ron and Mary moved to the Monterey Peninsula in 1961.

Ron began his pediatric practice at 920 Cass Street in Monterey with Dr. Talcott Bates and Dr. Robert Black. While the practice evolved over time, he continued providing pediatric services to multiple generations of Monterey County residents at this location until his retirement in 1995. Having practiced in Monterey for decades, he often encountered former patients, their children and their grandchildren on his daily activities around the Peninsula. For young children, he almost always had an animal finger puppet in his pocket to give them, providing a quick distraction or a relief from the anxiety of a visit to the doctor. After retiring, he volunteered his pediatric services through RotaCare Bay Area at their Seaside free clinic, and as a pediatrician with Rotoplast International cleft palate surgical clinics in Argentina and El Salvador.

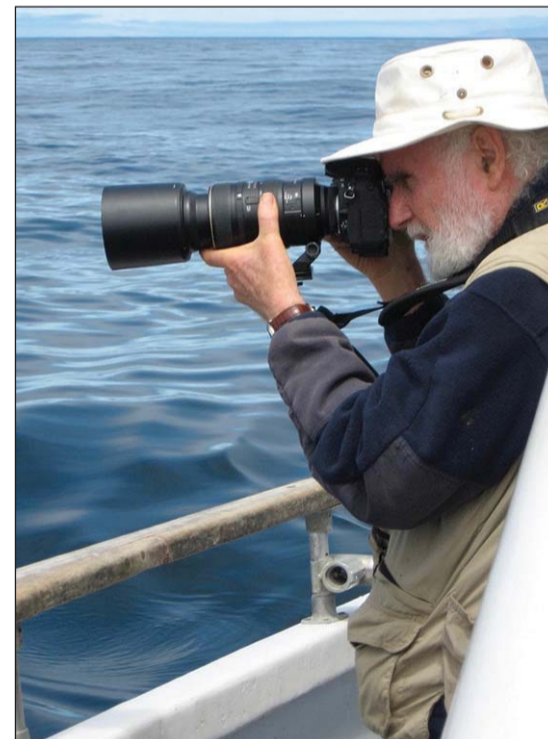
Ron had many hobbies and passions, some originating from his days as an Eagle Scout in his early teens in Los Angeles. Birdwatching, photography, botany and taxonomy, and wildlife photography were longtime interests. His passion for birds was expressed through his 60 consecutive years participating in the annual Audubon Christmas Bird Count at several locations in Monterey County. For many years he provided a regular inventory of dead seabirds that washed onto Monterey State Beach, and documented the population of snowy plovers at Carmel River State Beach for researchers at the Point Reyes Bird Observatory.

Ron and Mary's travels were opportunities to share his passions with her in many parts of the world. Before traveling, he enjoyed learning the native languages of the countries they were to visit including Spanish, Japanese and Swahili. Together they toured Eastern Africa, Japan, Siberia, Europe, and Mexico. He also traveled with several longtime friends who shared many of his interests in birds, botany, and wildlife to many sites in the continental U.S., Alaska, the Canadian Arctic, and the jungles of Guyana. He especially enjoyed his two visits to the Galápagos Islands in the mid-1960s as staff physician aboard marine research vessels from Stanford University.

Raising five boys brought many more adventures for Ron and Mary. Decades of school music programs, baseball, soccer games, swim meets, and football games found them going in many directions on any given day on the Peninsula. Family backpack and camping trips, and visiting many state and national parks kept them active and connected throughout their years in California.

Post retirement, Ron found a new interest in fitness and enjoyed running several miles in the early dawn hours, followed by additional training at the Monterey Sports Center. He was proud of his weekly mileage totals and how many pairs of shoes he would wear out each year. He also developed and vehemently pursued an interest in investigating the genealogy of his family and the family trees of many friends and family members.

Ron Branson leaves an extensive legacy of lasting family memories, photographs and aiding the health and development of the thousands of young people whom he cared for over his lifetime. He is survived by Mary, his wife of 66 years; sons, Michael (Joy) of Seaside; Christopher (Kristina) of Roseville; Thomas of Keller, Texas; Alan of Barrie, Ontario, Canada; and Stephen (Kathryn) of Carmichael; 14 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father and stepmother, Wendel and Lidia Branson; mother, Gladys Cowan; sisters, Diane Roach and Sandra Branson; and daughter-in-law, Cheryl Branson (Tom). By request, there will be no funeral services.



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those funds to other jurisdictions that needed them for projects. Without notice, PG&E siphoned \$324,414 to nearly two dozen cities and counties between August 2020 and June of this year, when the California Public Utilities Commission temporarily froze the company's ability to unilaterally transfer the money to other projects.

To use the funds rather than have more taken away, the city must identify a project and establish an "underground utility district," and Harary and his staff identified two possibilities. One would underground 800 feet of line, removing 10 power poles near the beach parking lot at the foot of Ocean Avenue, at a rough cost of \$700,000. Seven homes would have to underground their utilities, too. The other would involve 1,100 feet of line in Mission Trail park at a rough cost of \$900,000, with the removal of nine poles. During construction, eight homes on Ridgewood would have to put their utilities underground.

The council could pick which project to pursue, opt for both, or identify something else, according to Harary. Once a project is identified, the underground utility district will be created, too.

Finally, environmental programs manager Mary Bilse will propose amending the

zoning code by repealing and replacing its chapters on stormwater and water quality protection.

"There have been significant changes in federal, state and regional laws affecting stormwater and water quality, and the proposed update ensures compliance with current applicable laws," she explains in her report for the council.

Monday's meeting

The day before its regular meeting, the council will hold a special session to adopt a short consent calendar, which includes monthly reports, a \$1,139,566 contract with Monterey Peninsula Engineering for pavement rehabilitation and a bike route on San Carlos Street south of Eighth and some sidewalk repairs, a \$241,258 contract with Wallace Group to manage and design two capital projects, and a couple of other items.

The council will then go into closed session to discuss anticipated litigation, including a potential lawsuit resulting from its recent refusal to approve a Mills Act contract for the Frank Lloyd Wright house at the south end of Carmel Beach, and to evaluate the job performance of city administrator Chip Rerig.

For detailed information, including the Nov. 6 and 7 agenda packets and how to participate online or in person at city hall, visit ci.carmel.ca.us. Both meetings start at 4:30 p.m.

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RICHARD DENNIS MARSHALL

Richard Dennis Marshall, 81, of Monterey, CA, passed away on September 20, 2023, in Monterey, CA. Rick was born on October 22, 1941, in Hollywood, CA, to Kathleen Grace Manor and Ernest S. Marshall.

Rick grew up in Fresno, California, with his brother Larry, and attended Fresno High School, where he excelled as a multi-year starter on the varsity football team playing defensive end. Upon graduating in 1960, he proudly served in the U.S. Air Force from 1960-1964 in the 3097th Aviation Depot Squadron (AFLC) and was trained as a nuclear weapons specialist. During his time in the Air Force he was stationed at the Kadena Air Base in Okinawa, Japan. Upon his return to the U.S., he reunited with and married Dolores Urrizola of Fresno, CA on August 5, 1963, at Westover Air Reserve Base in Chicopee, Massachusetts. Four years later their son, Gregory, was born in North Hollywood, CA.



After serving in the Air Force, Rick was employed by the John Roberts Company where he was a successful sales representative providing college rings to universities throughout Southern California and Arizona. After deciding to make a lifestyle and career change, he moved to Bakersfield, CA where he married Gwen and worked as an oil field rig operator and attended California State University, Bakersfield, pursuing a degree in English literature using the GI Bill.

Rick then moved to the Monterey Peninsula in the late 1970s and worked for a variety of local organizations, including McGraw-Hill as a computer operator. He lived in Carmel-by-the-Sea where he developed lifelong friendships and was a founding member of a well-known Carmel men's group which he helped form after completing Erhard Seminar Training (EST) in 1982. The Carmel men's group has remained intact for nearly 40 years and has given back to the community in numerous ways by supporting various local and national volunteer initiatives and efforts. During this time, as a true outdoorsman, he developed a love of sailing Hobie Cats and successfully competed in regattas all along the California coast.

In 1980 he married Pat, and Rick began a new career as a carpenter and handyman, establishing "Village Handyman" services given his extraordinary ability to build, fix, and successfully complete nearly any engine, construction, or building project he took on. His sign for "Village Handyman Services" was proudly displayed on his 1953 blue Dodge pickup truck, named "Old Blue."

Never one to say no to offering help and support to someone in need, Rick could always be counted on to be there when he was needed most. While living in Carmel Valley, he became very interested in horses and officially adopted his cowboy lifestyle that would define him in his later years. From his time spent at the Running Iron to caring for his horse, Meteor, at The Animal Farm, the cowboy lifestyle suited Rick like a well-worn comfortable pair of old boots.

After suffering a major stroke in 2002, Rick experienced a series of medical setbacks that limited his mobility and cognitive ability throughout the balance of his life. Despite these circumstances, he never lost his sense humor, thirst for a cold beer, or desire to watch a football game until the very end. He enjoyed spending quality time with family, and was especially proud of his three grandchildren. Rick lived a full and charmed life and he packed a lot into his 81 years before riding off into the sunset.

Rick is survived by his son, Gregory (Dana) Marshall; and grandchildren, Connor, Cameron and Ava Marshall of Pacific Grove. He is also survived by his brother, Lawrence (Kris) Marshall of Monterey; and niece, Allison Marshall of San Francisco; and nephew, Brian Marshall of Murrieta. He is predeceased by his mother, Kathleen Manor Alemian; his father, Ernest Marshall; and his step-father, Armand Alemian.

Special thanks to his caregivers who provided amazing support to Rick, Jan Frisby and Kim Fulton.

A celebration of Rick's life will begin at 11 a.m. on November 17, 2023 at the Paul Mortuary in Pacific Grove. Contributions can be made to Meals on Wheels of Monterey Peninsula in memory of Richard Marshall.

ALMON WILLIAM BABBITT, IV

Almon William Babbitt IV passed away peacefully on October 22, 2023, surrounded by family in his home in Carmel, CA at age 86. Born September 3, 1937, in Washington, D.C. to Milred and Almon William Babbitt III. Almon is survived by his wife of 63 years, Judy; three loving daughters,



Stacey Kuciauskas, Dana (Robert) Edgull and Jill (Dean) Babbitt; five grandchildren, Trevor, Max, Skyler, Isaiah and Harlan; brother, Harold (Susan) Babbitt; sister, Doris Coyle; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and his granddaughter, Isabella Rose.

Almon graduated from Syracuse University then headed to California with his beloved wife to start his career as a CPA where he practiced until 2023. Almon was dedicated to his clients and cherished the relationships he had with them. Almon had a warm personality and went out of his way to make others smile. He was quick to share a kind word or a silly joke, engaging with friends and strangers alike. Almon had a love of life, was a lifelong learner and embraced technology. He loved to be amazed by the wonders of life and the beauty of Carmel-by-the-Sea. On our frequent beach drives he would often say, "Wow, Wow, Wow!," excited by the ever-changing landscape of the beauty around him. Almon will be deeply missed, and we will honor his memory when we stop to smell the roses or pause to take in the sunset exclaiming our own, "Wow, Wow, Wow!"

Please join us for a celebration of life from noon to 3 p.m. November 12th, at the family home, NW corner of Lincoln and Eighth. If you would like to send a card to the family, their mailing address is P.O. Box 7299, Carmel, CA 93921.

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RENTALS

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through civil court if their landlords fail to register and that owners could be forced to pay damages as a result. The ordinance will expire on Jan. 1, 2029, unless the council votes to keep it in place.

After two hearings in September that led to several changes, including the mom-and-pop exemption, the rule that landlords could only pass 50 percent of the annual fees on to their tenants, and the sunset date, its final adoption was placed on the council's consent agenda but was pulled for discussion and a separate vote.

At the Oct. 17 meeting, as has been typical during previous discussions, most of those who commented opposed the ordinance. The majority were landlords, though some also rent.

Property owners argued the inventory would pit landlords against tenants, would drive up rents, and could encourage owners to sell, which would mean fewer available units for the nearly 60 percent of Monterey residents who are renters.

They also pointed out that not all landlords are wealthy and that owning and maintaining a home, even if it's a rental that generates income, can be expensive. A couple of speakers repeated their suspicion the registry will lead to rent control.

"There's no denying that the reason to enact a rental registry is to eventually

impose rent control," commented Richard Barnard. "I ask you to scrap this and find another way to help renters."

Char Carter observed that a handful of municipal governments have rental inventories and that administering them can be very expensive. The City of Berkeley's, she said, costs \$7 million annually.

Jeff Gorman, chair of the Monterey County Republican Party and a renter in the City of Monterey, also mentioned Berkeley, where decades of rent control have discouraged landlords from investing in their properties, leading to a lot of dilapidated housing.

But housing advocate Esther Malkin again dialed in to claim that only landlords, not renters, were willing to speak publicly on the issue, since tenants are afraid of retaliation.

No changed minds

Council members generally stuck with the positions they've held since the idea of a registry was raised in April.

"I appreciate the concerns that are being presented," said councilman Gino Garcia. "Part of the conversation that's missing is the residents."

Garcia said one of his neighbors "came to me because they're concerned they might not be able to make rent next month because the owner decided to jack up the rent by \$800 with a 30-day notice." He did not say what percentage of the rent the increase represented or how he verified the information was accurate.

"I've heard the comments about having government get out the way," he said. "I can't get out of the way when I have my neighbor saying, 'I definitely can't make rent next month.'"

He said collecting data will help the council decide "what to do or what not to do" regarding rentals in the city, and he also suggested eliminating the mom-and-pop exclusion, but that didn't gain traction with the rest of the council.

Councilman Alan Haffa reminded Cole to include in the ordinance that tenants must give landlords 30 days' notice before suing them in civil court for failing to comply with the new law.

"I think the mom-and-pop amendment is really important," he added. "If the council pulls that, I won't be able to support the rental registry."

Haffa also argued that having data is critical. "Information is power, information informs decision making, information is beneficial to all of us," he said.

"I know this isn't easy, because change isn't easy for anyone," commented councilwoman Kim Barber. "We can't move forward until we know where we're starting from."

Mayor Tyller Williamson said he didn't

want to belittle the concerns of property owners who struggle with maintenance costs and other issues pertaining to rentals, but he also said they should feel fortunate they can afford to have more than one residence, which he cannot.

He implied having a rental registry could even the playing field. "I would argue that housing is a human right and we have people in this community who are suffering — who are ending up homeless and don't have any other choice," he said, though he did not explain how having a rental registry would reduce homelessness.

As he has all along, councilman Ed Smith remained the sole dissenter. He argued that the council can't articulate what problem, exactly, it's trying to solve by establishing a rental inventory, and that there are far less expensive ways to obtain data about the local market.

"This has nothing to do with helping to support health and safety for tenants," he said, since existing laws already provide an avenue for anyone who's being mistreated or lives in substandard housing to complain.

"This has everything to do with policing the relationship between landlords and tenants," he said.

The Pine Cone has been a member of the Carmel Chamber of Commerce for more than 100 years.

George D. Covell Jr.

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George was born on July 20, 1944, in Evanston, Ill. He moved to the Monterey Peninsula in the 1970s, first living in Pacific Grove with Ann Covell, his wife of 20 years, then moving to Carmel in 1978 where he lived for the remainder of life.

He is survived by a daughter, Laura Covell-Zore; son-in-law, John Zore; son, Stephen Covell; and Scooter, his dachshund. He was a companion of all dachshunds, especially beloved Willie, Peanut, Hayden, Max and Mini.



George grew up loving baseball, especially the New York Yankees and Mickey Mantle. He became a regular competitor in class D sports car racing in the late 1950s early '60s, and was invited to compete for a national title. In this he finished ninth overall, in a car similar to his beloved 1960 Austin-Healey.

George served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1964 to 1966, completing two tours of Vietnam, earning two Bronze Stars and two Purple Hearts. His battalion was involved in "Operation Starlite," the first major offensive action conducted by a purely U.S. military unit during the Vietnam War. It was documented by Life magazine in photos. He witnessed Robert E. O'Malley's Medal of Honor event during Operation Starlite.

He earned his bachelor of business degree from Santa Clara University in 1974. He then worked for various local banks as a loan officer and helped start the Monterey County Bank in the Crossroads area, in the early 1980s.

George started his own financial planning business in 1985, working with Yates, Downer, Dyer and Kapatrick in downtown Carmel. He enjoyed helping people plan for their retirements with the motto "pay yourself first." He retired from the Covell financial services business in 2014.

He volunteered with several non profit organizations, including SCRAMP (Laguna Seca) from 1979 to 2015, Central Coast Lighthouse Keepers (CCLK), Point Sur Lighthouse and the Carmel Fire Department from 1980 to 2005, making captain. He spent 20 years restoring a 1923 Luverne fire engine for the City of Carmel.

George earned various professional awards, including Top 50 Salesman multiple times for American Funds; and a citation of merit for saving a life using CPR. He coached various Carmel Youth Baseball teams as well as the Carmel High School Junior Varsity Softball team.

He was passionate about classic automobiles, motorsports, Laguna Seca and the various cars that he owned. These included a 1963 Jaguar, a 1942 M37 military truck, a self-built Bugatti VW tribute car, (which was the subject of a long-standing family joke because it would break down at the bottom of Ocean Avenue and need to be towed back to the house every time).

His pride and joy of all his cars was his 1960 Austin-Healey 3000 which he took apart and restored a few years ago. He was a regular attendee of Hot Chili Nights at Baja Cantina and Cars and Coffee. He was also a morning regular at the Wagon Wheel Coffee house for breakfast (ask for the George).

In lieu of flowers the family asks that you donate to his favorite charities the Central Coast Lighthouse Keepers, (CCLK), or Monterey County SPCA.



Shepard and Merriem Palitz

In Remembrance: SHEPARD FRANCIS PALITZ

Shepard Francis Palitz passed away peacefully on October 6 at home in Carmel, California.

He was born in New York City in 1920, but left at age 14 to attend Cheshire Academy and then Yale University. After medical school at New York Medical College, he served a tour as an Army doctor in post-war Japan, where he developed a lifelong appreciation of Asian art, architecture and culture. During his surgical residency in Philadelphia, he met and married a beautiful and brilliant lawyer, Merriem Luck, and they had their daughter, Marsha. Amidst his second Army tour, as a surgeon at Camp Stoneman, they had their son, Albert, and decided to stay in California.

Shep had a 60-year medical career as a surgeon in Bakersfield, head of medical education at Mercy Hospital and a medical quality consultant with the California Medical Association. Twenty years ago, Shep and Merriem moved to Carmel, where they read from their vast collection of books, played tennis and hosted their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A tireless walker with boundless energy and blessed with unflagging optimism, all of Manhattan was his playground as a child, as was the Connecticut countryside during school and college where he walked from town to town on weekends with an apple in his pocket and a book. Reflected in the letters Shep wrote to Merriem during his courtship, he was determined to live a principled and ethical life devoted to work, family and service to others, which he proceeded to lead to the age of 103.

As a surgeon he was devoted to the well-being of his patients and relentless in his pursuit of quality improvement. As a father and a mentor, he practiced patience, tolerance and understanding, quietly supporting and encouraging growth, independence, autonomy and a sense of responsibility in others. His life is a blessing, a model and an inspiration for the generations who knew and loved him.

Predeceased in 2020 by Merriem, his wife of 70 years, Shepard leaves behind his children, Marsha (John) Palitz-Elliott and Albert (Pam) Palitz, five granddaughters and seven great-grandchildren.

The family extends its love and gratitude to Ilaisaane Falahola Maka, devoted caregiver to both Merriem and Shepard, whose strength, gentleness and wisdom was a comfort to us all.

Editorial

What caused it

GROUNDBREAKING FEMINIST journalist Martha Gelhorn once observed that the reason people keep making the same mistakes over and over again is that they don't live long enough. As soon as somebody gets old enough to attain wisdom, she said, they die and turn things over to a foolish young person.

Winston Churchill had the same phenomenon in mind when he said, "Those that fail to learn from history are doomed to repeat it." Young people, after all, haven't had time to learn much history.

You can see this sociological flaw on full display in the media coverage of the California housing crisis — a crisis young reporters write about as if it's something old and permanent, like the hills. But it isn't. California's housing shortage is the result of powerful political forces that were deployed in the 1970s when the state was seen as in danger of overdevelopment — so much so that the plenitude of new housing projects being built at the time, along with the roads, schools and shopping centers needed by the people who would live in them, threatened to make life miserable for longer-term residents and spoil the natural environment that was an essential part of the state's soul.

As former California Coastal Commission executive director and revered anti-development advocate Peter Douglas said not long before he died in 2012, his career should be judged not by what you see along the coast, but the "things you don't see" — including housing.

He was one of the upstarts who set about during the 1970s to bring all that development to a halt, not only through the oppressive permit mechanisms created by the 1976 California Coastal Act, but even earlier by the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, which in the beginning only applied to government projects like highways and airports, but was soon extended to cover every type of development proposed for private property — especially housing.

The result, as we have noted before, was 50 years of near stasis in California's housing supply, even as its population and wealth boomed.

Dawn Addis, who represents the Monterey Peninsula in the State Assembly but lives in Morro Bay, acknowledged this problem at the Carmel Residents Association housing forum two weeks ago when she listed what she believed were the forces behind the state's housing crisis.

"You need four things to have housing — you need the political will, you need the finance, you need the policy, and you need a piece of land," Addis said. "I don't think those four things have come together well enough. California can be a challenging place to build, especially coastal California."

When you look at the factors she enumerated, two of them obviously haven't been the problem. It's been a long time since there was a shortage of capital (money) in this state, and there's certainly no shortage of land. Only a very small portion of California is developed.

The cause of the housing shortage has been what Addis called a lack of "political will," but which was actually extreme hostility of state government, the media and environmentalists to development, period.

The enemy these anti-development forces saw was local government, which they viewed as being overly pro-development, and it was local government that was the principal target of the Coastal Act and CEQA.

Unfortunately, Sacramento has now decided to end the housing crisis not by acknowledging its own central role in causing it, but by again blaming the state's cities and counties, this time imposing more than a dozen extreme laws to force cities and counties to approve housing they don't want.

If they knew any history, today's leaders in Sacramento would get out of the way and let local government provide more housing based on local needs, not according to a one-size-fits-all statewide strategy. But many of the people in the State Legislature are too young to have learned anything from history — or have any common sense, apparently.

BEST of BATES



"That's right, sir, we found your Dream House ... four bedrooms, four baths and a three-car garage. Uh, no sir, it's in Turlock."

Letters to the Editor

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Askew owes apology

Dear Editor,

It really hurt me to read that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors defeated a resolution to condemn "the brutal terrorist attacks and slaughter against Israel and innocent civilians, including 30 Americans." The resolution, proposed by commissioner Luis Alejo, was mainstream, good-hearted and noncontroversial. It echoed ones voted for by all but 10 members of the U.S. Congress and 100 American universities. And while the board does not often comment on national issues, it has done so in the past, most recently on the Supreme Court ruling on abortion.

Most Americans have no problem condemning torture and the beheadings of infants. The Monterey County Board of Supervisors, in the name of avoiding controversy, voted it down. Council member Lopez's mention of the Holocaust was booted. Most horrible of all, not reported in

the Pine Cone, but quoted in the Monterey paper, Supervisor Wendy Askew accused the Jews of Israel of using the attack on them to justify a plan for genocide.

The Israelis have been moral giants showing respect for all human life, often sacrificing their own soldiers to minimize civilian casualties. In the current crisis, they warned civilians to leave the battle zone, asked Egypt to open its border to create safe haven for Gazans, and are limiting their counterattacks to Hamas military positions. How is that genocide? Defending your country when it is attacked is normal, ethical, and when non-Jews do it, considered heroic. Think of Ukraine.

Askew is in the company of antisemites everywhere, who since the Dark Ages have accused Jews of plotting genocide, something that has never happened and never will, but often results in the murder of Jews.

Make no mistake, Askew's tarring Israel with the accusation of genocide poses a danger to American Jews. According to the FBI's national crime statistics, there were 1,305 hate crimes against Jews in this country in 2022 and 205 against Muslims.

Ms. Askew's public statement crossed a red line. As a public official, she should be fighting antisemitism, not fomenting it. She owes the citizens of Monterey County a public apology.

Karin McQuillan, Carmel

Saddened by lights

Dear Editor,

I was deeply saddened when I saw a

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The state's first printing press meets an ignominious demise

MONTEREY HAD the first printing press in California. The early 19th-century Ramage machine from Philadelphia was pressed into service in 1834 by former governor Agustin V. Zamorano, who is credited as California's first printer and also published the first California book in 1835, along with other books and documents during his three years as a printer in Monterey.

Zamorano left the press in Monterey when he moved his family to San Diego in 1837. It was then put to work in Sonoma, first by Gen. Mariano Guadalupe Vallejo and then by José de la Rosa, the alcalde in Sonoma. The press was returned to the capital city (Monterey) in 1843 and put in storage.

In July 1846, U.S. Navy Commodore John D. Sloat landed in Monterey at the

advertisers and workers, and ceased publication. Zamorano's old press was revived in August to print a special edition of the Californian to report the end of the Mexican War.

In September 1848, Edward C. Kemble, formerly associated with the California Star, came back from the mines with enough gold to buy the Star. With partners, he soon also acquired all interest in the Californian. Beginning in November, they published a paper bearing a combined banner, and in January 1849 created a new banner, calling it the Alta California.

On to Stockton

At the same time, men affiliated with the mines began planning for the growth of Sacramento, which they envisioned as a large city. They appealed to the owners of the Alta California to start a paper in their new town. The old press from Monterey was packed up and sent to Sacramento. There, on April 28, 1849, it produced the first issue of The Placer

Times.

As nearby Stockton also grew, English immigrant H. H. Radcliffe asked the owners of the Alta California for assistance in January 1850. The old press from Monterey was transferred to Stockton and that winter, began to print The Stockton Times. Radcliffe acquired a newer press for the Stockton Times and partnered with John Marvin and John White of Sonora to launch a paper there. On July 4, 1850, the old Monterey press produced the first issue of the Sonora Herald. That paper was later

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History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

beginning of the Mexican War and claimed California as a U.S. possession. Kentucky immigrant Robert Semple soon discovered the old press in the Presidio and, with the assistance of Rev. Walter Colton, produced California's first newspaper, The Californian, on Aug. 15, 1846.

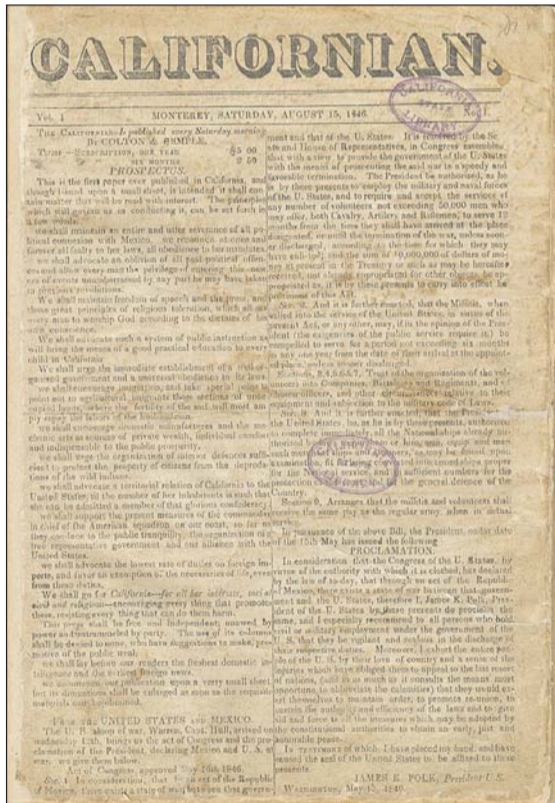
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With all these firsts, one would think that at some point after its useful life was completed, the press would have been preserved in a museum, but it had a sadder fate.

Unable to draw enough advertising to support the press in Monterey, Semple, after producing the May 6, 1947, issue of The Californian, loaded the press on a ship and moved his printing operation to the growing port of San Francisco. Records show that in August 1847, San Francisco had 459 residents, 228 of whom had been born in the United States. Only 38 were native Californians.

Citizens of Monterey protested that they owned the press, but even then, "possession is nine-tenths of the law" was considered an old adage. Semple relaunched The Californian as a San Francisco newspaper, competing with Sam Brannan's California Star. Brannan bought a press and came from New York specifically to produce a newspaper, which he began publishing in January 1847.

Semple sold the Monterey printing press and the newspaper and moved to Benicia, but the two papers continued into early 1848. Soon after they ran stories of gold being found in Sutter's Fort that spring, the papers lost their subscribers,



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The first issue of California's first newspaper, The Californian, was published on Aug. 15, 1846. The Monterey printing press went on to launch four other California newspapers.

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

Capturing light, creating space

AS A fine-art photographer, Martha Casanave is a very different kind of creator, beginning with this unflinching revelation: "I've never really liked cameras much," she declared, with nary a hint of irony.

"The more complicated cameras got, and the more batteries they had, the less I liked them. I prefer to keep it simple and use my brain to make choices," explained Casanave, whose celebrated career has been built with basic equipment, frequently with Old World innovation.

Case in point: Her 2023 show at the Monterey Museum of Art, "Explorations,"

vapor), albumen prints (a 19th-century process utilizing sunlight — not electricity — to print an image on paper treated with a mixture of egg white and silver nitrate), and a darkroom process known as chemigrams (making photographs without using a camera at all).

The colors are a mystery

"You're basically fooling around with chemicals, going back and forth between developer and fixer on black-and-white photo paper. And you're doing it under light — you don't have to turn the lights off," Casanave said. "The photos are abstract, and they take on a life of their own as you're making them. Colors appear on your black-and-white paper.

"I don't know how those colors happen," she said.

"I've read the explanation, but it's complicated, and just doesn't stay in my head."

Casanave also frames her pictures as she photographs them — never afterward, in her darkroom.

"Early on, when I was out photographing, I wasn't seeing clearly, wasn't really grasping what I was seeing," she said. "So I gave myself a directive not to crop anymore. I learned to look through the frame and see all of the edges that way, instead of thinking I could fix it later."

Casanave grew up in Ohio, where, by age 8, she was rarely seen without her Kodak Brownie. By the time she turned 12, she had learned to use an adjustable camera and a handheld light meter.

"I was always awkward around people, and I think the camera was a kind of mediator for me: It gave me access to people, but also kept them away," she said. "It might have been a comfort thing that allowed me to keep my distance."

What she really loves

She discovered the Carmel area when she enrolled at the Monterey Institute of International Studies, where she earned a bachelor's degree in 1969 in Russian language and literature, then found work as a Russian translator, practicing photography as a sideline.

"I didn't become serious about photography until I was 30, after a breakup of a love affair," she said. "That's when I asked myself, 'What do I really love?'"

Casanave spent nine months at a vocational school in Sacramento, learning basic techniques of photography and darkroom work, then returned to the Peninsula.

"I still had no idea that this was a place where Wynn Bullock, Ansel Adams, Morley Baer, and the Westons lived," she said. "When I figured that out, I decided I needed to take advantage of the opportunity. But I was too shy to call and say, 'I'd like to get to know you,' so I used my camera to get access."

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Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

featured a series of black-and-white images shot with a 4-by-5-inch pinhole camera — essentially a lightproof box with no lens, only a tiny aperture (literally a pinhole the diameter of a sewing needle), and a manually operated shutter.

'Simple and magical'

"Pinhole photography fascinates me because it's so simple, and it's magical," she said of the device (first mentioned in Chinese Mozi writings, circa 500 B.C.E.), which produces photographs with an almost infinite depth of field. Long exposure times result in blurring around moving objects, and the absence of objects that moved too fast.

Her 2006 book, "Explorations Along an Imaginary Coastline," was created entirely with pinhole photography, as was "Leningrad in Winter," the 1988 urbanscape series she photographed in the former Soviet Union.

Although Casanave has built a towering reputation as a fine-art portrait photographer (her 2013 book is entitled "Trajectories: A Half Century of Portraits"), she also has explored daguerreotypes (a 19th-century photography method employing an iodine-sensitized silver plate and mercury



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Pacific Grove resident Martha Casanave is an internationally known photographer who specializes in portraits. She has also been a teacher and writer.



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Missing volumes complicate search for essential California history

By NEAL HOTELLING

FIFTY YEARS ago, Zena Holman, wife of department store chief W.R. Holman, left a treasure to the Monterey Peninsula. Her collection of more than 3,000 books, mostly about early California and Monterey, were valued then at \$750,000. They are worth a lot more than that now, but where are they?

Pebble Beach resident Kathy McNichols first requested access to the Zena Holman Collection in June 2022 after learning about it from reading W.R. Holman's memoirs, "My Life in Pacific Grove." After being put off for a year by California State Parks officials, McNichols contacted The Pine Cone for assistance.

Many treasures

W.R. Holman died in 1981, and it was 10 years earlier that his wife began discussions with State Parks about her collection being donated and housed at Asilomar where it "would be readily available to the state park rangers, historians and interpretive specialists who take an interest in California's Heritage," according to a parks department newsletter. Following through on her promise, Holman donated her collection to the State of California, and on Feb. 28, 1974, a building at Asilomar, the Mott Training Center, was dedicated with a special room for Holman's collection.

Zena Holman was there for the dedication and said it was "the proudest moment of my life." The April 1974 "News and Views" newsletter of the California State Department of Parks and Recreation reported, "When the Center for Continuous Learning was formally dedicated,

the Zena Holman Library of California and American History became a permanent part of the living history of Pacific Grove and an integral part of the California State Park System."

All was good for several years, with experts and the public having access to the rare books. But things changed in 2007 when the training center had to be closed for ADA upgrades. At that time, the State Parks newsletter said an employee "took photos of all shelves with books in place — over 200 digital images," before the books were meticulously "dusted with camel-hair brushes." Then, "each volume was individually wrapped in acid-free paper and boxed for temporary storage. Additional individual photos were taken of rare works before they were boxed."

As officials proceeded boxing the books for protecting during the upgrades, they noted such treasures as "a complete 17th century Spanish illuminated manuscript and a first edition of Dana's Two Year's Before the Mast, published in England." Those are two of the books included in

the Zamorano 80 — a 1945 list of the 80 most significant books on California history. Holman collected more than 60 of the books on the list. Other books believed to be included in the Holman donation are Alexander Forbes, History of Upper and Lower California Since its Discovery (1839), Voyage de La Pérouse Autour du Monde (1797) and even a first edition of Samuel Clemens's The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County, and Other Sketches (1867).

'No progress'

Temporary storage of the books continued until the 2022 publication of Holman's memoirs led McNichols and others to request access. Much of the collection is still in storage and may have been broken up, with some volumes sent to Sacramento and others to Monterey; some books may also be missing. In July, The Pine Cone was shown a few boxes at Asilomar but wasn't able to view the books themselves or even confirm what they were, though a copy of Gertrude Atherton's "The Splendid Idle Forties" was on a table for cataloging.

Repeated follow-up with State Parks has produced no progress about gaining access. Offers of volunteer assistance are unwanted. This public asset — donated in good faith by one of the Monterey Peninsula's most distinguished citizens — remains unavailable, as it has been for 16 years.

Circus brings haunted 'European-style flare'

IF THE countless Halloween displays that adorn pretty much every neighborhood this time of year haven't done enough to spook the living daylights out of you, the Paranormal Cirque, which is set for Nov. 3-5 at the Monterey Fairgrounds, just might do the trick.

According to the folks who put the nightmare-inducing spectacle, Cirque Italia, the inventive circus "is not for the faint of heart."

"You will fall into a parallel world and end up surrounded by monstrous creatures with hidden talents that will amaze you with the circus arts," they say. "Paranormal Cirque will expose you to a unique creation of combined theater, circus and cabaret with a new European-style flare. You may have to catch your breath or try to stop your heart from racing during this adrenaline filled performance."

The circus will be presented Friday at 7:30 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday at 5 and 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$20. Because the show has adult language and material, those under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. The site is located at 2004 Fairground Road. For more details, call (941) 704-8572 or visit paranormalcirque.com.

Legion offers workshop in 'Americanism'

JUST IN time for Veterans Day, the Monterey Peninsula American Legion Auxiliary Unit 41 is offering an "Americanism workshop" for children. Suitable for kids 5 to 10, "American as Apple Pie" uses that phrase as a jumping-off point to talk about "fun facts and activities about America and our history with apples," said spokesperson Rosalinda Vargas.

The event will be held on Nov. 4, from 9 to 11 a.m. at the American Legion hall at 1110 Veterans Drive in Monterey.

In addition to hearing a little bit about American history, kids will learn to recite the Pledge of Allegiance using American Sign Language. Parents must stay with their children during the workshop, and a bake sale will follow at 11 a.m. Call Patricia Harris at (831) 596-3239 for more info, or to make required reservations.

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LETTERS

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crane at the CHS football field starting the construction of the 80-foot light poles a few weeks ago. It brought up my concerns again, why I, and many other people, people who live locally and people who visit our community, are really opposed to the consequences this project will create.

Many concerns have been voiced, I am only speaking on the light pollution. The light pollution — especially in the fog — will affect the area extending into Carmel Valley, Carmel Point and Point Lobos. Remember that this project cannot be certified by the International Dark Sky Association Certification Program until after the completion of the project, and a \$3,000 payment is made to that association. They will then perform an inspection and if the project conforms to the requirements it can then be certified. So, it cannot be said at this time that the project is dark sky certified. This project will bring a dramatic physical change to the whole Peninsula.

I also reflected on a phrase that was

spoken at a board meeting by a high school official, paraphrased, “These students are suffering, by not being able to have enough practice time or to play night games.” My immediate reaction is “Oh, please. Really? Where and how did they get that concept?” Suffering, to me, means severe physical, mental and/or social distress like hunger, anxiety and bullying. I am sure there are Carmel High students who do experience suffering in those ways and other ways too. I also think of the \$1.1 million being spent on the lights. I wonder how you are handling and how much you are spending on all CUSD students, families and staff’s variety of real suffering.

I am deeply saddened that a majority of CUSD Board members did not see or feel that this project did not belong in the Carmel area community. Just because you can do this project, does not mean it is a good idea.

JoAnn Holbrook, Carmel

Doctor speaks

Dear Editor,

Based on an article in last week’s issue of The Pine Cone, I felt the need to clarify and correct inaccurate perceptions surrounding

accusations and settlement related to my practice of medicine as reviewed by the Medical Board of California.

On both occasions, I was not found guilty of any of the charges. I settled (stipulated decision) with the medical board to avoid the time and cost of the proposed hearings, and, in the latter case, to proceed with my planned retirement. The settlements do not admit guilt; however, the manner in which the attorney general publishes complaints against physicians makes it very difficult to separate unproven accusations from an agreement that does not prove guilt.

In the 2018 case over ECT procedures, I chose to settle and not go to the hearing. The majority of the ECT was performed by another psychiatrist, who did go to the proceedings, where all accusations against us were dropped. None of the accusations were upheld. It is difficult to understand those previous proceedings by reading the published settlement because it does not include the complete outcome.

In the more recent case, I did not admit guilt or fault in the alleged inappropriate treatment of a very ill patient. All of my treatment was entirely appropriate and this was supported by our independent expert witness and other reviews of the medical record. The accusations against me were based on the statement provided by the attorney general’s expert witness. The complaint was filed by the patient’s daughter and denied by the patient, who continued in my practice. I believe that if I had gone to the hearing, all charges would have been dropped.

With retirement in mind, I chose to settle with the board, again, and terminate my medical license, which I would no longer need. I did this to avoid the stress and time of a five-day hearing and to avoid the approximately \$20,000 out-of-pocket attorney fees to proceed. I had a planned retirement and did not stop practice because of unproven accusations against my practice of medicine.

I have had a very successful career at CHOMP, practicing for 45 years, and had

been planning retirement for several years. I phased out my practice and transitioned another psychiatrist to assume my administrative responsibilities. My planned retirement date was Dec. 31, 2022.

As I indicated, in reading the publication by the board of accusations and outcome, it is very difficult to separate accusations from the facts of the case. However, the article is misleading and not correct. It is embarrassing to have this information published as if I were guilty in a case that was settled without any accusations upheld and a second accusation that never had due process and never went to a hearing.

**Eric M. Jacobson, M.D.,
Carmel Valley**

Investigating doctors

Dear Editor,

Firstly, I want to thank The Pine Cone staff for articles they published relating to unethical behavior of local urologists about a decade ago. That reporting was so helpful in exposing horrible and patient damaging behavior by a group of doctors who had truly lost their way. Unfortunately, The Pine Cone doesn’t always get it right when it comes to exposing the bad actors in the medical community.

The recent article about Dr. Eric Jacobson’s experience with the Medical Board of California does not accurately describe the events, the investigation, or the outcome. Instead, it unnecessarily mischaracterizes and demeans a very fine physician, who has made incredible contributions to the patients and healthcare community of Monterey County for over 40 years. I would encourage The Pine Cone to use the utmost care when researching the people involved, the “investigating” organization, and the facts involved in the case before publishing any disparaging article about anyone. This is particularly true in a small community, and when the named party has little or no chance to defend him/herself.

Don Goldman, Carmel

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Naughty otter has new fluffy pup

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE 5-YEAR-OLD sea otter that is known worldwide for hijacking surfboards and kayaks from amused humans has given birth to a pup, according to photos of the mischievous sea dog taken last week.

On Oct. 25, photographer Mark Woodward captured images of Otter 841, as she’s called, with a fluffy pup on her chest while the pair were in Santa Cruz.

Because Otter 841 has attacked humans, a team from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Monterey Bay Aquarium trained in the capture and handling of sea otters has been trying to locate

her so they can capture and rehome her. But they haven’t had any success, and Otter 841 has been pretty busy, apparently.

Woodward posted online that he noticed several weeks ago that the female otter’s belly had grown in size, and he figured she could be pregnant.

Ashley McConnell, a spokeswoman for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services, told The L.A. Times last week that “while wildlife biologists suspected Sea Otter 841 may [have been] pregnant earlier this year, they were unable to verify the pregnancy without capturing the sea otter to perform a full health evaluation.” The agency had not previously disclosed that to the press.

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MANAGER

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tempore since July 28 after former city manager Ben Harvey resigned as part of a “separation agreement,” which included him getting \$400,000 in exchange for not suing the city.

Pacific Grove received more than 20 applications for the interim city manager job.

In 2016, Perrault retired as city manager of Grover Beach after a decade working there. In 2019, though, Perrault reentered the working world by accepting a \$55-per-hour job as interim city manager of Guadalupe, a city of about 8,500 in Santa Barbara County.

“Robert has held many positions in city government over the last 40 years, including service as a city manager for the cities of Cloverdale, Colfax and Grover Beach,” a report to the council said. He has also served as an interim city manager for Greenfield in South Monterey County, and Willits.

A Pacific Grove City Council subcommittee composed of Mayor Bill Peake and council members Nick Smith and Luke Coletti recommended Perrault be selected after interviewing him on Oct 16.

The city hired consultant Bob Murray & Associates to help find a permanent city manager, and that effort continues.

New homeless shelter for women and families

COMMUNITY HUMAN Services is excited to announce the opening of Shuman HeartHouse, a new shelter for homeless women and families with children in Monterey. The shelter, which can accommodate up to 35 people, will host a community open house and ribbon-cutting Nov. 4 at 600 East Franklin St. Shuman HeartHouse is the realization of Mark and Adriana Shuman’s vision. They purchased the property and donated it for use as a shelter.

The effort has been supported by community donations, as well as taxpayer funds in the form of a \$2.5 million state budget appropriation “made possible by District 17 Sen. John Laird,” said a Community Human Services press release. For more information about the ribbon-cutting, how to support Shuman HeartHouse Shelter, or the programs of Community Human Services, visit chservices.org or call (831) 658-3811.

BOAT

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commercial fishing heritage with its leadership in marine science and education,” he said.

A flotilla led by the City of Monterey’s fire boat will accompany the Western Flyer when it arrives Saturday morning. The flotilla will include research boats, whale watching boats and kayaks.

To celebrate the occasion, a host of dignitaries will serve as a greeting committee at Old Fisherman’s Wharf, including Congressman Jimmy Panetta, Supervisor Mary Adams and Monterey Mayor Tyller Williamson.

Best Dressed Boat contest

A boat parade and Best Dressed Boat contest (judged by descendants of those who traveled with Steinbeck and Ricketts to the Sea of Cortez) will kick off the festivities at 11:30 a.m. Next, a welcoming ceremony at the end of Old Fisherman’s Wharf is set for 12:30 p.m. Then, from

1:15 to 4 p.m., people can tour the Western Flyer and see the details of its restoration up close. Throughout the afternoon, there will be live music and family-friendly activities.

The following day, Sunday, there will be related free walking tours. A “short” tour of 1.2 miles starts at Point Pinos Lighthouse at 12:30 p.m., while a “long” tour of 2.5 miles begins at Ed Ricketts Pacific Biological Laboratory on Cannery Row at 10 a.m. The Sunday walks are presented by the Center for Ocean Art, Science & Technology.

Also, Flumerfelt presents a free talk about the Western Flyer Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in Santa Catalina School’s Mary Johnson Recital Hall. The school is located at 1500 Mark Thomas Drive in Monterey.

Built in Tacoma, Wash., in 1937 for Monterey’s sardine fishing industry, the 77-foot fishing vessel became famous after Steinbeck and Ricketts took it on six-week trip to the Gulf of California in 1940. While Ricketts collected samples of marine life, Steinbeck used the trip as inspiration for his book, “Sea of Cortez,” which came out in 1941. A second book, “The Log from the Sea of Cortez,” was published in 1951.

HARASSMENT

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on the carpet.

Feeling unsafe, she complained to the district’s facilities director, who said he would refer the complaint to CUSD human resources for investigation.

After two months of hearing nothing as the retaliation continued — and escalated with harassing calls to her cell phone — she went to the CMS principal and vice principal, both of whom also referred her to the district’s HR department. The vice principal also deleted the call history on Doe’s phone, according to the complaint.

She finally went to HR head Craig Chavez, but he refused to speak Spanish to her, and she didn’t have anyone to translate. He and his secretary also appeared dismissive, according to Doe. Even after a particularly bad encounter with Alvarado left Doe in tears one night in September 2022, and she was seen by Chavez’ secretary and the facilities head in such a state, the administrators didn’t seem to care, Doe alleges.

A complaint to the union also failed to go anywhere, and a month later, Chavez called Doe into his office to fire her. He ordered her to leave her keys and refused to say why she was being let go, other than that she was no longer needed. She went to the principal’s office to complain and was told to leave, or the police would be called. In the parking lot, the assistant principal demanded her uniform shirt, which she stripped off there and then.

“Plaintiff felt completely traumatized and defeated, and she left,” according to the suit.

Her complaint alleges sexual harassment, discrimination, retaliation, failure to investigate and prevent the mistreatment, and wrongful termination. She is asking the court to award her special and general damages, back pay, front pay, exemplary and punitive damages, and pre-judgment interest, as well as attorneys’ fees and costs, and “such other and further relief as the court may deem equitable and appropriate.”

Not the only one

The demands and allegations are similar to the suit filed against Martinez and the district in early October by a female custodian who had worked for the district for 24 years. In that complaint, she alleges Martinez repeatedly disparaged and made inappropriate comments about female students, parents and employees, and also groped her. When she complained, officials failed to respond and allowed the behavior to continue.

“CUSD has continued to this date to subject plaintiff to unwarranted reprimands, unreasonable work demands, and disparately harsh treatment from district employees. CUSD has continued to harass and retaliate against plaintiff by launching reprisal complaints and investigations against her,” the complaint reads. “Plaintiff continues to suffer severe trauma and distress from this situation, with catastrophic consequences to her physical and mental health.” Both women are demanding a jury trial.

Interim district superintendent Sharon Ofek said she couldn’t comment on the cases or on personnel matters.

GAVEL

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be believed. According to research into sexual assault victim behavior, it is very common for victims to delay reporting the sexual abuse, especially when the victim is a minor and has a close relationship with the perpetrator.

This case was investigated by Salinas police officers Jeff Munoz and Andres Torres-Quintero, as well as other officers from the Salinas Police Department. Jane Doe was assisted by victim witness assistance program manager Alma Sanchez.

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BAIL

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“Barmel staff stated Lion came into the bar and got into a verbal argument with a customer. Lion had been reported coming into the bar the few prior nights and had been causing unprovoked disturbances,” he said. “Barmel staff wanted Lion to pay his tab and to leave the bar and not return

in the future.”

He eventually paid his tab and left, according to Bruno. If Lion returns, he could be cited or arrested for trespassing.

And shortly after 9:30 p.m. Oct. 28, Lion drove through one of the Pebble Beach gates — an area he’s already been ordered to stay away from — without paying. Monterey County Sheriff’s Acting Chief Deputy Jason Smith said Lion was cited for trespassing and for obstructing an officer.

COMMENTS

From page 17A

residents’ criticisms, but that online comments are helpful for people with mobility issues who can’t go to city hall.

“As elected officials, it’s your responsibility to listen to your constituents, good, bad and indifferent,” Garcia said, urging the council to continue to allow comments

through Zoom.

Peake hasn’t specified why he decided to suddenly end online comments, and whether the racist and antisemitic comments at the October meeting was the primary impetus.

During that meeting, the callers used the N-word, a derogatory word for Mexican people and numerous ant-Jewish comments, including “gas the Jews,” “Heil Hitler,” and “f.ck these Jews.” One person praised Peake for stopping the callers.

‘Cultural architect’ at library talk

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE CARMEL Public Library Foundation’s Community Night with the Library Nov. 16 will feature Dr. Ayodele Nzinga, the City of Oakland’s first and current Poet Laureate, in “Cultural Architect: A Poet’s Path to Building Community.”

At 7 p.m. in Carpenter Hall at Sunset Center, Nzinga will read poetry and present a “thought-provoking presentation on the importance of fostering and building a stronger community through the advancement of arts and culture,” according to the nonprofit. “Known by many as a renaissance woman,” organizers said, Nzinga has positively influenced downtown Oakland through her artistic endeavors by providing “a platform for creative expression, social

commentary and community engagement.”

“Her work exemplifies the role of artists and cultural leaders who can contribute in the well-being and vitality of communities,” they said. Nzinga holds an MFA in “writing and consciousness” and a Doctorate of Philosophy in “transformative education and change,” and is the director of Oakland’s Lower Bottom Playaz Inc. and executive director of the Black Arts Movement Business District Community Development Corporation.

Registration is required, but the program can also be viewed online. The event is free and open to the public, with a suggested \$10 donation to benefit the Carmel Public Library. Visit carmelpubliclibrary-foundation.org. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth.

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The Carmel Pine Cone

Section 2

Padres, Breakers ready for latest chapter in historic football story

THE KIDS who line up for Saturday's 7:30 p.m. kickoff at Pacific Grove High should appreciate that many of the folks in the bleachers are parents, grandparents, maybe great-grandparents who played for "The Shoe" themselves.

Some struggle nowadays to remember why they walked into a room, but the memories they made as a teenagers, when they suited up for the Carmel vs. P.G. showdown, remain evergreen.

The 2023 game will be the 76th in one of California's greatest high school rivalries, dating back to the 1948-49 school year, when the Padres and Breakers collided wearing leather helmets with no facemasks. The Padres won

and 2011, and the 2009 CCS Division 4 title team — perhaps Carmel's best team of all time — won CCS at 12-0, led by Devin Pearson (2,442 yards passing), Dylan Hopkins (1,539 rushing), and receivers Cody Johnston, Mike Maness and Garret Woodward, who combined for 1,636 yards and 26 TDs.

Balanced offense

Pacific Grove, 7-2, has outscored its foes 253-191, with lopsided victories over Marina (42-14), Pajaro Valley (34-0) and King City (35-15 last week). The Breakers were 6-0 through Oct. 6, then lost on consecutive weekends to North Salinas (50-6 on the road) and Alisal (49-21).

The Breakers' balanced attack features running backs Gideo Llantero (649 yards, 10 TDs), Justice Booker (386 yards), and Johnny Klevin (301 yards), and quarterbacks Nathaniel Wade (39-for-57, 597 yards) and Brody Edmonds (26-for-47, 469), who have combined to throw 12 touchdown passes, with just one interception. Top receivers are Oliver Ottmar (16-386, 6 TDs), Llantero (12-181, 6 TDs) and Klevin (9-155).

P.G.'s pass rush is a strength, as Pete Gamecho, Anthony Nimri, and Llantero have four sacks each, and Jimmy Lipfert and Bradley Stade have recorded three apiece

Padres love the passing lane

Carmel's success is built around quarterback Hudson Rutherford, who has completed 115 of 164 passes for 2,334 yards, with 22 TDs and 6 interceptions. Top receivers are Ty Arnold (41-694, 7 TDs), Simeon Brown (29-632, 6 TDs) and James Maxon (20-362).

Leading rushers are Justin LeMaster (105-547) and

Ashton Rees (44-317, 12 TDs).

Rees, a special teams standout, returned last week's opening kickoff 88 yards for a TD, then ran back a missed field goal 109 yards, a score that was nullified because high school kids aren't allowed to return missed field goals.

Four Padres have two interceptions each, and Indy Gabrielson has been credited with three sacks.

Enduring memories will be made Saturday night in a tradition that has energized both communities from its earliest days.

"Most of the people who owned stores and businesses downtown came to all of our games," Mike Brown (Carmel '60) remembered during a Pine Cone interview for a class reunion story. "The chief of police, Clyde Klaumann, also would be there for almost every game."

Big crowds typically pack the bleachers, regardless of

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PHOTO/KERRY BELSER

Padres quarterback Hudson Rutherford has completed 70 percent of his passes this season for 2,334 yards and 22 TDs in nine games.

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

that first game 33-0, and didn't lose to P.G. until 1952, when the Breakers started their own three-game streak with a 39-12 victory.

As recently as 2014, the Breakers led the series 33-32 (with two ties), but Carmel now holds a 40-33 edge going into this year's game and is favored to win for the ninth year in a row.

Padres are unbeaten

The Padres will bring a 9-0 record to their archrival's home turf and have scored 416 points (46.3 per game), the most explosive offense in the 28-team Pacific Coast Athletic League. Their 405-yard-per-game average also ranks No. 1, and their defense, which allows 190.4, ranks fourth.

The last Carmel team to finish the regular season unblemished was the 2018-19 squad, which won The Shoe game 57-0 and took a 12-0 record into the Central Coast Section Division 5 title game, finally losing to The Kings Academy.

The Padres also took perfect records to CCS in 2013

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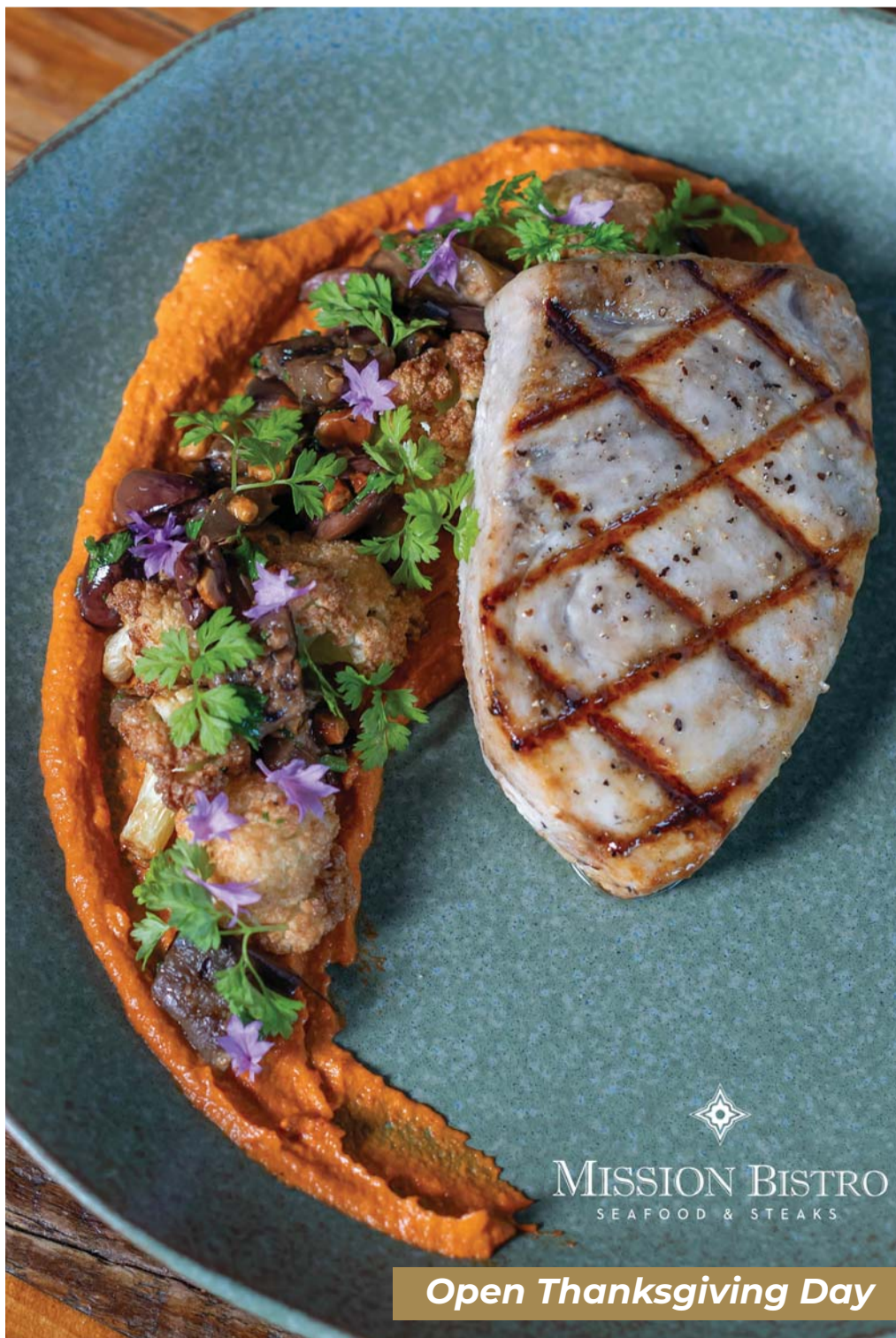
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the weather.

“I was a starting wide receiver in 1966, my senior year, when we beat Carmel 41-14,” recalled Malcolm Colvin. “It had rained so heavily prior to the game that they brought in a helicopter to blow the excess water off the field.”

Players who made a big play in the biggest game of their lives never forget the thrill.

“I was back to catch a punt,” recalled PG graduate Ian Hesse (Class of '08). “Carmel kicked the ball right to me, near the visitors’ sideline, and I heard (Carmel coach Craig Johnston) scream, ‘I told you not to kick it to him!’”

Hesse recalls laughing as he dashed 60 yards down the Padres’ side of the field, past his friend — a Carmel player — who shouted a four-letter word as he raced by.

“It was the last game we played on our old field, and I scored the last touchdown,” he said. “Good times!”

Peiffer pokes the Padres

Pacific Grove alum Coleman Peiffer played defensive back and punted as a junior in the rainy, muddy 1997 game

at Carmel, where the Breakers trailed 20-14 when teammate Jason Lane returned a punt for the go-ahead touchdown.

Peiffer couldn’t help but needle the current head coach of the Padres with one of his favorite memories.

“Golden Anderson was the Carmel QB who threw the game-clinching interception to PG defensive back Eddie Banaczek with less than a minute to go,” he reminisced.

But revenge can be sweet: Anderson is 13-1 against Pacific Grove as head coach.

‘Playful vandalism’

The Shoe rivalry is fever-pitched, no doubt, but also has a mischievous history.

“There was playful vandalism. Whenever we played at P.G., somebody always hung a dummy of a P.G. football player on the bridge over Highway 68 — but that’s about as bad as it got,” remembered Pam Baldwin Klaumann (CHS '66), who married Clyde Klaumann Jr.

“I was a cheerleader in the Class of '64, and our football team was really good — we were expected to beat Carmel that year,” remembered P.G. alumnus Vicki Osborne Falke. “My friends and I bought a bottle of Champagne for the team, but we fell short, 14-12, and ended up drinking the Champagne ourselves. Heartbreaking.”

Sally Plumb, a Carmel High songleader with the Class of '70, remembers hijinks from her senior year.

“Someone from our school burned a huge C in the middle of their field the night before the game. Ha!” Plumb recalled. “They retaliated by spreading dead fish all over our school hallways.”

Coaches of both schools have traditionally declared that winning The Shoe is the team’s No. 1 goal, inducing wild postgame celebrations by the victors, who chant “Shine our shoe! Shine our shoe!” as they hoist the trophy for photographers and fans.

Tradition included a pregame bonfire until 1952, when Pacific Grove student Charlie Higuera (longtime owner of P.G.’s beloved Grove Market) sneaked over to Carmel High with some co-conspirators and torched the woodpile a night early.

“I lived a block-and-a-half from the high school, my bedroom window faced the school, and I always had a slumber partner the night after



PHOTO/KERRY BELSER

Wide receiver Simeon Brown has averaged nearly 22 yards on 29 receptions, and scored 6 TDs. Ty Arnold, not pictured, leads Padres receivers with 41 catches for 694 yards.

the big game,” said Diane Natt (Class of '61), now an Oregon resident. “One year, P.G. came over to the school and tried to steal The Shoe back. We could hear the ruckus from my house — they made quite a racket — but they failed to steal The Shoe.”

The trophy (currently under lock and key in Carmel High’s main office) was fashioned in 1948 from an old football boot belonged to Carmel High typing teacher Lloyd Miller, who also served as the school’s athletic director. It was officially named the J.O. Handley Award, after founder of Carmel Lumber Company, who paid to have Miller’s shoe bronzed.

‘We become friends’

The intensity is real, and bragging rights are eternal, but animosity diminishes, said Peiffer, who nonetheless credits an unnamed Carmel player for administering “one of the dirtiest and cheapest plays of my career” when Peiffer was P.G.’s senior quarterback.

“After high school, everybody realizes fighting over a rivalry is pretty stupid,” said Peiffer, a father of three who is driving from Wisconsin for this year’s showdown, his first in 25 years.

“We become friends and really only mention the game around the time of the next Shoe game,” he said.

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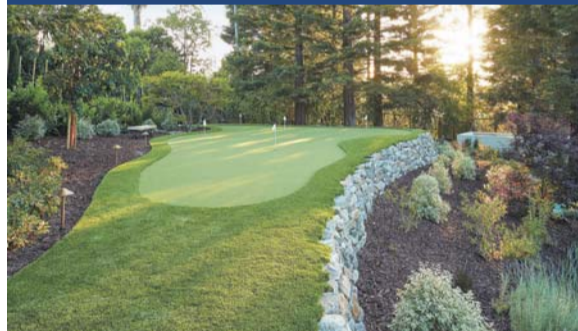


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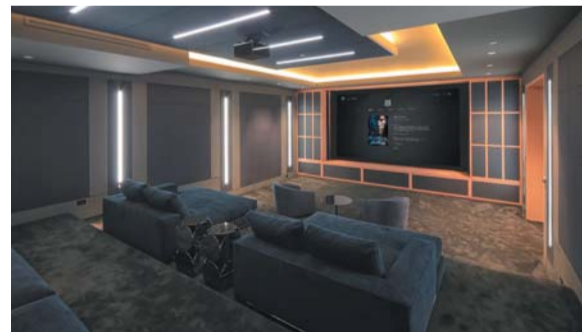
Jimmy Osorno (12), with arms folded, ran for 206 yards and six touchdowns to lead the Padres to a 56-21 rout of Pacific Grove in the 2010 Shoe game at Carmel High. Carmel went 11-2 that year and reached the CCS Division 4 title game, where the Padres lost 39-32 to Sacred Heart Prep.

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GRAMMY-WINNING POLICE GUITARIST PLAYS GOLDEN STATE SATURDAY

THE GUITARIST for the Police as well as a singer and solo artist with more than a dozen albums, **Andy Summers** takes the stage Saturday, 8 p.m., at the Golden State Theatre in Monterey.

Besides playing guitar on the band's biggest hits, Summers occasionally sang lead vocals, and he wrote the riff that became "Every Breath You Take," which won a Grammy Award in 1983 for Best Song. He also wrote

On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

"Behind My Camel" and co-wrote "Reggatta de Blanc" for the Police — both of which earned Grammy Awards for Best Rock Instrumental.

Tickets start at \$39.50. The theater is located at 417 Alvarado St. Call (831) 649-1070 or go to goldenstatetheatre.com.

Also at Golden State this week, comedian and country singer and guitarist **Walker Wheeler Jr.** plays Tuesday at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$35.



The guitarist for the Police, Andy Summers (left) plays Saturday at the Golden State Theater. A comedian as well as a country singer and guitarist, Walker Wheeler Jr. (above) takes the stage at the same venue Tuesday. Both shows start at 8 p.m.

■ Violin, piano at Sunset

The Carmel Music Society presents its second concert of the season Sunday at 3 p.m. when violinist **Stefan Milenkovich** and pianist **Marta Aznavoorian** play at Sunset Center.

A native of Serbia, Milenkovich has earned a slew of honors, including a Silver Medal at the International Violin Competition of Indianapolis in 1994. The Chicago-born Aznavoorian was nominated for a Grammy Award in 2017 for her work with the Lincoln Trio.

The program includes Dvořák's *Sonatina in G major*,

Op. 100, Beethoven's *Sonata No. 7 for Violin and Piano in C minor*, Op. 30 no. 2, Ravel's *Tzigane*, Arvo Pärt's *Spiegel im Spiegel* and Pablo de Sarasate's *Carmen Fantasy, Opus 25*.

Tickets start at \$45. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. Call (831) 625-9938 or visit carmelmusic.org.

■ Night Market turns two

Sand City's Night Market in the city's Art Park celebrates its second anniversary Friday at 5 p.m. with a performance by **BASSment**, a local group that describes itself as "soul-hip-hop-funk collective." Besides live music,

there will be displays of art, along with food and wine. The event is free, and all ages are welcome. The park is located at 525 Ortiz Ave.

■ Live music Nov. 3-9

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

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

Blue Fox Cellars in Carmel Valley — singer and gui-

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Each \$50-per-person ticket includes two glasses of Twisted Roots wine or cider, and treats from the Great British Baking Company. Chef Brandon Miller will be setting aside his usual ginormous paella

shopping center, and a paella dinner for 10 by Miller (we knew that pan was still around), including four bottles of Twisted Roots wines, will be raffled off, with tickets going for \$25 apiece. Live acoustic guitar music will be provided by Kelly Productions. Go to [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com) to purchase tickets. — *EH*

■ Big wines, big flavors, Big Sur

From Aspen to South Beach, and Napa to New York City, there are many amazing wine fêtes in the United States, but none that rivals our own Big Sur Food & Wine festival this weekend. Speaking from experience, all the big wine celebrations are fun, and all host celebrity chefs and winemakers. All offer some sort of wine education and, usually, give a percentage



Monterey County's iconic coastline provides a dramatic backdrop for the annual Big Sur Food & Wine Festival this weekend. Chefs and winemakers will chat with guests in intimate indoor and outdoor settings, sharing delicacies from land and sea.

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If you're lucky enough to snag tickets — some events sold out almost as soon as they went on sale — you'll find friendly conversations with chefs, winemakers and guests in unique settings. Additional tickets for some events have been made available, so visit bsfw.ticketsauce.com/e/big-sur-food-wine-festival-2 to see what's still up for grabs. — *RL*

■ Marinus dinner Thursday

A rare retrospective tasting of Bernardus' vaunted Marinus wines will be offered during a six-course dinner in the Signature Room at the winery's tasting room in Carmel Valley Village Nov. 9 from 5 to 8:30 p.m. Marinus is the winery's small Bor-

deaux-oriented vineyard in Cachagua, and wines only bear its name when they reach the pinnacle the winemaking team is seeking. Vineyard manager Matt Shea lives onsite and tends the grapes alongside a highly capable crew, and he will be at the dinner, as will winemaker Jim McCabe, who took the lead position after longtime winemaker Dean De Korth retired earlier this year.

The evening will begin with the 1993 vintage, followed by 2013, 2010, 2014 and the 2017 Signature, which is made in very limited quantities to express the essence of the Marinus Vineyard. Dessert will be accompanied by 2019 late harvest sauvignon blanc from the Griva Vineyard in Arroyo Seco.

Manager Heather Rammel said she doesn't know what chef Jerome Viel has planned for the dinner, but they tasted the wines together, and his creative juices are flowing. Viel, a talented chef, is also the owner of nearby Jerome's Carmel Valley

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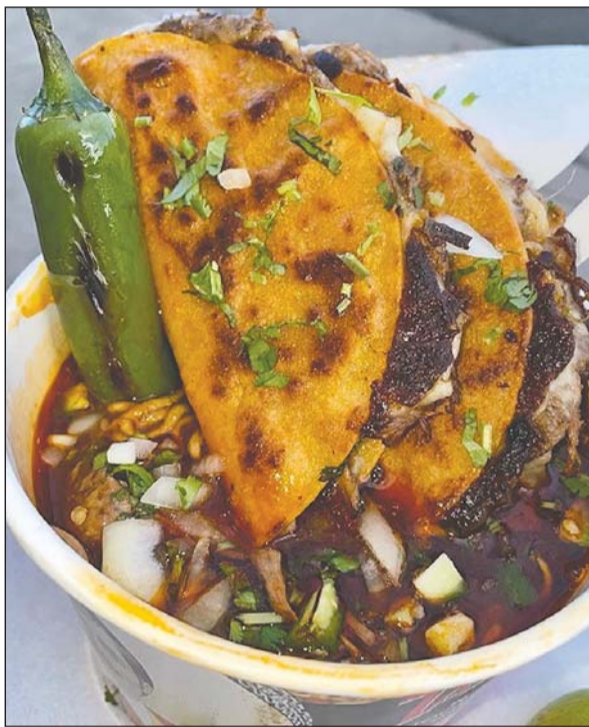
Market. “I met with Jerome last Friday and tasted vintage 1993 through 2019,” Rammel said. “It was amazing.”

The pair selected the vintages to showcase during the dinner, and Viel is creating the menu to accompany them. Considering he was executive chef at the former Will’s Fargo restaurant when the late Ben Pon, founder of Bernardus, owned it, there is no one more capable of creating dishes to complement Marinus wines than him.

Dinner costs \$295 per person (\$200 for wine club members) plus tax and 20 percent service. Only 25 seats are available. Try your luck by emailing hrammel@bernardus.com. The tasting room is located at 5 W. Carmel Valley Road. — MS

■ The buzz about birria

Aquino’s Birrieria & Brunch in Pacific Grove has built an entire restaurant around the popular Mexican dish, birria — a flavorful, slow-cooked meat served with its braising sauce and used to make tacos, burritos, quesadillas and more. Gustavo Aquino and his father, Macario Aquino, and mother, Paulina Bernardino, started the business after they all lost their jobs due to the pandemic. They began by selling tacos — including quesabirria (cheesy meat) tacos — from their Seaside home.



Aquino’s Birria & Brunch in P.G. serves up Mexican favorites made with slow-cooked meat, like these cheesy meat tacos.

“At the time, the quesabirria taco with consommé dipping sauce was all over the internet and Instagram,” said Gustavo. They eventually found space in a commercial kitchen in P.G. and grew their menu almost as quickly as they did their following, serving burritos, quesadillas, aguas frescas (nonalcoholic fruit drinks) and more.

The family eventually found a sit-down spot in what used to be the Chinese Dynasty Restaurant in P.G. “We even kept the Chinese décor for a while,” said Gustavo. They have expanded the menu to include breakfast, with dishes like tres leches pancakes, chicken and waffles, and strawberry-and-banana French toast. Prices are quite reasonable — in the \$15 range for entrées, and topping out at \$19.99 for a

10-ounce ribeye steak and eggs. Aquino’s Birrieria & Brunch is located at 1116A Forest Ave. It’s open Tuesday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Call (831) 224-6760 or visit aquinosbirrieria.com for more information. — SB

■ Miner Wine at the Clement

The Clement Intercontinental hotel on Cannery Row welcomes the return of wine

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dinners, pairing fine quaffs with the carefully crafted cuisine of chef Matt Bolton.

Locals who've followed Bolton's career, from kitchens at Bernardus, Quail Lodge and the Highlands Inn to his present gig as executive chef at the Intercontinental's oceanfront C Restaurant, know his deceptively simple-sounding dishes always highlight food's natural flavors, using locally sourced and sustainable ingredients.

The Nov. 16 wine dinner will pair Bolton's preparations with Miner, a family winery in Oakville in Napa Valley.

Founded in 1996, the label has won accolades from Bon Appetit and Wine & Spirits magazine. It's also the official wine of the National Hockey League. (You have to wonder if it's ever been sipped from the Stanley Cup)

Festivities will start at 6 p.m. with kanpachi (yellowtail) crudo with lotus root and caviar paired with Miner sauvignon blanc. That will be followed by Monterey Bay abalone with persimmon, Meyer lemon puree and roasted sunchoke, served with a 2020 viognier, a Rhone-style white wine. The fish course will be John Dory with butternut squash risotto, Brussels sprouts and chanterelles with truffle jus, served with Miner's 2022 chardonnay.

The entrée, wagyu beef with potatoes, porcini mushroom confit and roasted root

veg, is paired with the winery's flagship Bordeaux blend, The Oracle (2017 vintage). The finishing touch — dessert — is a chocolate caramel tart accompanied by the winery's 2017 Sierra Mar pinot noir from the Santa Lucia Highlands.

Dinner is \$150 per person plus tax and tip. Call (831) 642-2013 for more information or to reserve a seat. — EH

De Tierra pinots

Those who picked up the print version of last week's Pine Cone read the erroneous statement that while De Tierra Vineyards won Golden Pine Cones for My Favorite Monterey County Wine and Best Monterey County Pinot Noir, the winery had no pinots available. In fact, owner Jeff Mea-

cham said, there are three highly regarded bottlings on offer. The 2018 Russell Vineyard is the flagship wine, made with fruit from De Tierra founder Tom Russell's vineyard, and costs \$64, while the 2018 SLH Tondre is produced from grapes grown in one of the region's most loved vineyards and retails for \$59. Finally, De Tierra's 2021 Santa Lucia Highlands was recently released "to rave reviews," according to Meacham. The Santa Lucia Highlands region is among the best in the state for pinot noir. De Tierra has a tasting room on Mission just south of Fifth in Carmel, and more information can be found at detierra.com. — MS

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



Longtime local chef Matt Bolton will serve up a five-course meal specially designed to pair with Miner Wines from Oakville in Napa Valley. Bolton's preparations let ingredients like Monterey Bay abalone and wagyu beef shine.

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tarist Kyle Kovalik (Sunday at 2 p.m.). 25 Pilot Road.

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

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

Cuz's Sportsman's Club in Seaside — Octane (hard rock from the '70s through the '90s, 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 with guitarist Darrin Michell and multi-instrumentalist Ben Herod (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.

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

Fernwood Resort in Big Sur — Way-

ward Jerry and Hotbox Harry (rock, Saturday at 10 p.m.). 47200 Highway 1.

Folktales Winery in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist Adrea Castiano (Saturday at 2 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist Rory Lynch (Sunday at 2 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

Georis Winery in Carmel Valley — mandolinist Dave Holodiloff and violinist Elijah McCullar (bluegrass and jazz, Friday at 5 p.m.). 1 Pilot Road.

Gusto Pasta and Pizza in Seaside — Two Rivers with singer Richard Bryant and guitarist Kyle Kovalik (pop and rock, Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). 1901 Fremont Blvd.

Harrison Memorial Library — The Dave Holodiloff Duo with guitarist Lex Olsen (bluegrass and jazz, Thursday at 4 p.m.). Ocean and Lincoln, Carmel.

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 Kip Allert (Friday at 5 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 Pete Lips and drummer Andy Weis (jazz, Friday at 7 p.m.), pianist Gary Meek, bassist Pete Lips and drummer Andy Weis (jazz, Saturday at 7 p.m.), pianist Gary Meek, bassist Steve Uccello and drummer Andy Weis (jazz, Thursday at 7 p.m.). 2700 17 Mile Drive.

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Intercontinental Hotel in Monterey — guitarist **John Sherry** (rock and blues, Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Zack Freitas** (Saturday at 9 a.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 — **Moon-dance** (pop and rock, Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.), Singer-Songwriter Showcase (Tuesday at 7 p.m.). Carmel Plaza, Mission and Ocean.

The Lodge at Pebble Beach — singer and guitarist **Anne Sibley** (Friday at 6 p.m.), multi-instrumentalist **Gary Regina** (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kip Allert** (Thursday at 6 p.m.). In the Terrace Lounge at 1700 17 Mile Drive.

Lucy's on Lighthouse in Pacific Grove — singer and guitarist **Vick Silva** (rock, Saturday at 2 p.m.), **The New Wave** (rock, Sunday at 2 p.m.). 1120 Lighthouse Ave.

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

Midici Pizza in Monterey — singer **Janice Perl** and keyboardist **Jon Dryden**

(jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.), **Janice's Jazz Jam** with keyboardist **Gary Meek**, bassist **Steve Uccello** and drummer **Billy Jones** (Thursday at 6 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St.

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

The Monarch Pub in Pacific Grove



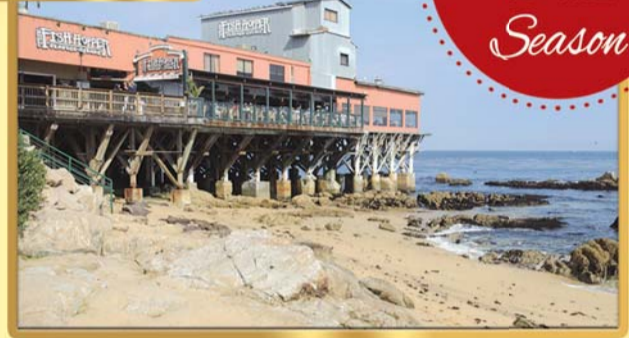
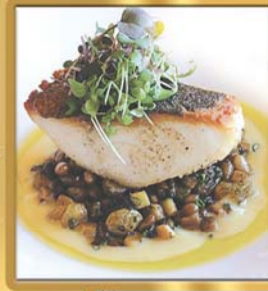
Singer and guitarist Adrea Castiano performs Saturday in Carmel Valley and Monday and Wednesday in Monterey.

— **The Katherine Lavin Band** (pop and rock, Friday at 7 p.m.). 617 Lighthouse Ave. The music is part of P.G.'s First Fridays celebration.

Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa — multi-instrumentalist **Gary Meek** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and pianist **Scott**

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Brown (jazz and pop, Saturday at 6 p.m.), keyboardist **Peter Corr** (jazz, Sunday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Adrea Castiano** (Monday and Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.), guitarist **John Sherry** (rock and blues, Tuesday and Thursday at 6:30 p.m.). 400 Cannery Row.

Pacific Grove Art Center — keyboardist **Glenn Leon-Guerrero** (“old school r&b,” Friday at 7 p.m.). 658 Lighthouse Ave.

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.

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

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 — **The Dylan Rose Band** (rock, Friday at 8 p.m.), **The Chuck Brewer Band** (rock and blues, Saturday at 8 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Dan Frechette** (Thursday at 7 p.m.). 653 Cannery Row.

Sly McFly’s in Monterey — **The Money Band** (pop and rock, Friday at 9 p.m.), **The Bridget Marie Band** (r&b and funk, Saturday at 9 p.m.), **The Stingrays** (classic rock, Sunday at 8:30 p.m.), **The Long Distance Flyers** (classic rock, Monday at 8:30 p.m.), **The Pacific Jack Band** (classic rock, Tuesday at 8:30 p.m.), **The Matt**



Violinist Stefan Milenkovich (left) performs with pianist Marta Aznavoorian (right) Sunday at Sunset Center. Presented by the Carmel Music Society, the concert starts at 3 p.m.



Moody Band (rock, Wednesday at 8:30 p.m.), **Blue Fire** (classic rock and modern funk, Thursday at 8:30 p.m.). 700 Cannery Row.

Tarpy’s in Monterey — singer and guitarist **Adrea**

Castiano (Friday at 5 p.m.), **Andrea’s Fault Duo** (jazz, pop and blues, Saturday at noon), singer and pianist **Reija Massey** (pop, rock and country, Sunday at 3 p.m.). 2999 Highway 68.

Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Dan Cioper** (Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place.

VIN Wine Bar + Bottle Boutique — singer **Bro Mbuthia** (“From Frank Sinatra to Michael Kiwanuka, and everything in between,” Sunday at 3:30 p.m.). 237 Crossroads Blvd.

Wild Fish restaurant in Pacific Grove — **The Lighthouse Jazz Quartet** (Friday and Thursday at 6 p.m.). 545 Lighthouse Ave.

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MORE LETTERS

From page 29A

Taxes and housing

Dear Editor,

Christina Spano's letter last week against the state imposing housing mandates on local jurisdictions was certainly predictable. But if she wanted to make a case against it, she needed better, more honest arguments.

For starters, offering to eliminate the capital gains tax on home sales does nothing to lower the cost of housing. Demand drives prices, not taxes. More importantly, people in single-family homes already are getting an unbelievable, perhaps unprecedented, tax break courtesy of Prop 13. My home, bought in 1989 for \$240,000, could be sold today for \$1.5 million more if it wasn't on a busy street. I'm taxed on a home assessed at \$401,000 and that kind of discrepancy has existed for well over half the 34 years I've lived there. I'm willing to bet Ms. Spano also knows that there are myriad ways to reduce the tax burden of a home sale by legally inflating the adjusted basis value of the property. Married couples are also entitled to a \$500,000 exclusion of gain right off the bat. Bottom line: The tax impact of a home sale in California is not nearly the burden Ms. Spano claims it to be.

California is suffering mightily from a lack of affordable housing. Creating more housing and affordable housing will do far more for a local economy than any reactionary efforts to maintain a stagnant status quo. People are leaving the state or are having fewer kids because they can't find affordable homes. If you don't want the state imposing housing mandates, be proactive, do the responsible thing, and find opportunities where affordable homes are appropriate and in significant numbers that meet the demand. You'll have a community that will be attractive to young, upwardly mobile people. It's the opposite of the vicious cycle we currently find ourselves in.

Eugene Ely,
San Jose

Doesn't get it

Dear Editor,

How can the city council wait for the former bank building on Dolores and Seventh to become 50 years old, then call it historical? Then the city council did it again with the "beautiful concrete wall" with stones showing. It's called exposed aggregate. God help us if a sidewalk in Carmel has exposed aggregate and has a crack in it. Do they then call that historic, too?

Just curious about the Hofsas House being warmly received. What happened to the "after 50 years"? Shouldn't Hofsas House be considered historical, too?

Gus Underdown,
Carmel

Silencing the public

Dear Editor,

The Mayor of Pacific Grove has just banned public comment participation by Zoom, without a public hearing or council approval. This follows some organized hate speech that occurred during a previous city council meeting. Staff Zoom controllers have the ability to mute the speakers. By banning all remote public comment, the mayor violates adopted council goals of inclusivity, transparency, communication and integrity. He is excluding residents like me; seniors, mobility-impaired, night-vision-impaired and immunocompromised residents, as well as those traveling, out of town, or lacking childcare to attend in person. It feels like he is trying to suppress and silence any and all criticism that might be expressed during a meeting.

It would be far better to pre-register speakers with our names and phone numbers before a meeting, so there is accountability. He should not throw the baby out with the bath.

Written emailed comments rarely get posted on time or shared verbally with the entire public, especially now, having the staffing problems and temporary and interim-hires that currently inhabit city Hall. The haters win if the public is stifled.

Inge Daumer,
Pacific Grove

The cross country trail

Dear Editor,

My heart was lifted last Saturday morning as I watched hundreds of young runners competing at the Pacific Coast Athletic League's Cross Country Championship in Palo Corona Regional Park. As a lifelong runner whose knees have seen better days, I took joy in seeing the long strides and pumping arms of these competitors racing along the community trail that I often enjoy with my wife and our Siberian Husky.

I know there are a couple of contraires out there who think there should be no trails in the park and use of the park should be limited to their special interests. Seeing our young people and their families enjoying this public park brought me hope that Palo Corona Regional Park will continue in the direction it is going now, providing outdoor recreation and a place for our entire community to enjoy nature.

David Mullally, Carmel

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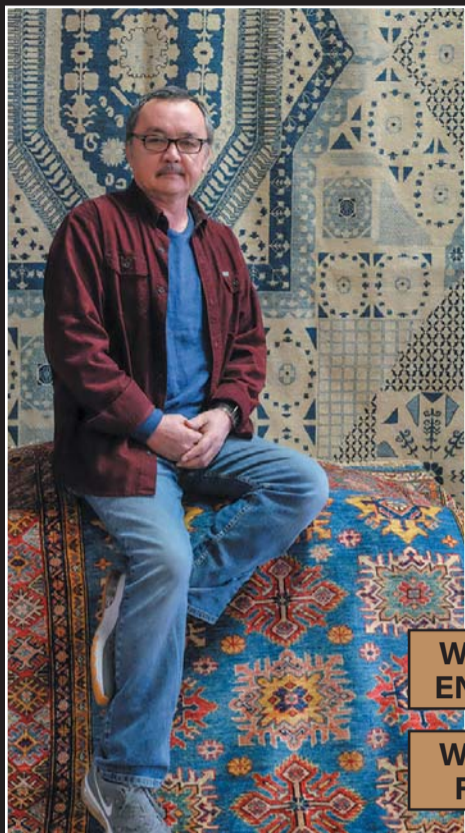


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A past president of the Carmel Art Association, Auvil worked in many creative mediums and styles, and left behind a prolific body of work, including pieces made with copper, bronze, mixed media and handmade paper.

Also new at the P.G. art center are

solo displays by painter Theodore Heublein and sculptor Ekaterina de la Torre ("Channels"), and group shows by Natalia Corazza, Germain Hatcher, Marcia Perry

Art Roundup

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and Jess Soriano ("Visual Storytelling Through Art and Culture") and Monterey High School photography students ("Listen Closely").

The gallery is located at 658 Lighthouse Ave. pgartcenter.org



Sculptor Ekaterina de la Torre displays her latest work in a show, "Channels," which opens Friday at the Pacific Grove Art Center.

Salon welcomes 'Skulls'

Multimedia artist Lili Jorge, photographer Michelle Robertson and graphic artist Rory Glass team up to present a Day of the Dead-themed pop-up show, "November Skulls," Sunday from 3 to 7 p.m. at Headdress Salon in Monterey.

The exhibit includes an assortment of "reimagined photography, digital illustrations, and elaborate shadow boxes that pay homage to the tradition of Dia de Los Muertos from a California perspective."

Salon owner Heather Jorgensen invites the public to "Support the local arts scene while allowing the pieces to inspire you to celebrate the ones you appreciate in your life and the community that surrounds you."

A holiday dedicated to honoring ancestors, The Day of the Dead is celebrated on Nov. 1 in many countries, particularly Mexico.

Headdress Salon is located at 883 Lighthouse Ave.

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ART

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■ \$\$\$ available for art in parks

California State Parks is launching a program to encourage artists to create pieces that will be displayed in parks — and the state is spending \$25 million to fund the work. The opportunity should be enticing for local artists, since so many popular state parks and beaches are located here.

“The Arts in California Parks program will help cultivate curiosity and awe for park visitors through thought-provoking and emotional experiences,” state parks director Armando Quintero said. “The program will lift up and support artists, and create connections to culture, the community and the world we live in.”

For more details, visit ArtsinCaliforniaParks.org.

■ Dreaming in color

Painter Jon Paul Magan pushes the boundaries of his creativity in “To Dream With Color,” a show that opens Friday at Sylvan Gallery in Sand City.

The display includes more than two dozen pieces of his work, which is abstract and colorful and uses an array of applications, including spray paint, resin and glitter. The show marks Magan’s first in the gallery. “Every painting is different,” the artist told The Pine Cone.

The gallery, which is located at 613 Ortiz Ave., is open Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. through Dec. 2.



Painter Jess Soriano’s “Orca Dreams” is featured in an exhibit that opens Friday at the Pacific Grove Art Center.

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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 for more.

Nov. 8 – Santa Catalina School and the Western Flyer Foundation present *The Western Flyer Returns* from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Join us to learn more about the historic Western Flyer, the fishing boat immortalized in one of John Steinbeck’s novels, and its return to Monterey Bay. Sherry Flumerfelt, executive director of the Western Flyer Foundation, will share stories and information about its past, present, and future. Admission is free. Santa Catalina School, Mary Johnson Recital Hall, 1500 Mark Thomas Drive, Monterey. Email events@santacatalina.org for more information.

Nov. 10 & 11 – Fall Orchid Market, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 4590 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel. Hosted by the **Carmel Orchid Society**. AOS judging, culture talks, potting demos, 11 vendors. CarmelOrchidSociety.org/Events. Contact (831) 626-1120.

Nov. 11 – Neighborhood Craft Fair featuring our 13th annual sale, with 15 vendors displaying their all handmade crafts from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 1150 Pico Ave. in Pacific Grove. (Nov 12 if rain). A bake and cider sale will benefit Hitchcock Road Animal Services with representative on site.

Nov. 11 – Annual Christmas Bazaar. Proceeds go to local charities. Raffle gift baskets include: wine, Italian, sport, spa and much more. Homemade pastries and handmade gifts. Plenty of crystal ware, rare finds and collectibles for the discerning shopper. Church of the Oaks, 841 Rosita Road, Del Rey Oaks, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Nov. 11 & 12 – Mark your calendar! It’s Baum & Blume’s “Lighting of the Tannenbaum” Holiday Open House! 11 a.m.-6 p.m. daily. Jump start your holidays and shop for “fun-tastic” gifts and décor while enjoying live music, tasty apps

and hosted wine tastings! Baum & Blume and The Carriage House, 4 El Caminito, Carmel Valley. (831) 659-0400.

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. 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

Nov. 15 – “The Art of Dying and Dying Well,” a talk by bestselling author Katy Butler. This free event will take place 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Embassy Suites, 1441 Canyon Del Rey Boulevard, Seaside. It is presented by Montage Health and Montage Health Foundation. For more information call (831) 622-2777. Reservations required: montagehealth.org/dyingwell



Nov. 19 – An afternoon of inspirational music is on tap for the Interfaith Outreach of Monterey’s 15th Annual Gratitude Celebration, 2 p.m. at the Carmel Mission Basilica. Free and open to all, with performances by the Mission’s Schola Cantorum and the Monterey Peninsula Gospel Community Choir. A coffee/tea and dessert reception follows in Crespi Hall. (831) 293-8140. Emails: Jettcarmel@gmail.com or infaithcarmel.org.

Nov. 19 – A one-day bazaar benefits Casa de Noche Buena, an emergency shelter for single women and families. All proceeds of this sale of gently used clothing and accessories will benefit the shelter. Bazaar hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Community Shared Space, Suite H-23, above Patrick James in The Barnyard Shopping Village, Carmel. Questions? Email tagsale123@yahoo.com

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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ARTIST

From page 27A

After multiple attempts to contact Ansel Adams were screened by his protective secretary, she was surprised one day when the legendary landscape photographer picked up the phone himself.

"I was nervous, of course, but I asked if he'd let me make his portrait, and he couldn't have been nicer — he wasn't intimidating at all," recalled Casanave, who subsequently enjoyed a long friendship with Adams, and also befriended Baer and Brett Weston.

Lessons from Ansel Adams

"I learned a lot from Ansel about printing, and he was gracious enough to look at my work now and then, but I never worked for him or took any of his workshops because I wasn't interested in landscape photography, and he didn't specialize in portrait photography," she said.

Casanave taught classes several times a week for 30 years at Cabrillo College, and taught at Monterey Peninsula College until the pandemic in 2020.

She has also lectured and taught photography, including master classes, throughout the U.S. and internationally through the years. Her training as a Russian translator and reputation as a photographer spawned opportunities to lead gaggles of San Francisco Bay area photographers on tours of the Soviet Union for 10 years, starting in 1984. She received grants from Polaroid to work on personal projects in the USSR, as well.

And in 2014, Casanave was one of six well known female photographers (with Jane Olin, Susan Hyde Greene, Anna Rhein, Robin V. Robinson, and Robin Ward) on the Peninsula who formed Salon Jane, a group whose stated purpose was to support each other by providing "feedback and inspiration, and a safe atmosphere for risk taking and creative evolution."

Their work has been featured in mul-

iple exhibitions, including "The Ethereal Zone," during the Monterey Museum of Art's 2018 "Year of the Woman" celebration.

"I didn't know many other women photographers on the Peninsula in my early days, other than a couple who were attached to their male photographers," Casanave said.

"Nobody was on her own like I was, so I was surrounded by men, and it was like that for a very long time," she added.

"With Salon Jane, when we participated in a panel discussion in conjunction with 'Year of the Woman,' my comment was, 'It's too bad we have to have one of these, with every other year being the Year of the Man.'"

A series of portraits she created between 1978 and 2017 of photographers (including Adams) and various other people was showcased last summer by the Center for Photographic Art and published by CPA in an 82-page catalogue entitled "Martha Casanave: Fictions."

'Distinguished Woman Artist'

In July, Casanave was honored for her prolific decades as a photographer, educator and writer by the Fresno Art Museum's Council of 100, which presented her with its 2023 Distinguished Woman Artist Award.

Other highlights of her 47-year legacy have included the Imogen Cunningham Photography Award (1979), the Koret Israel Prize (1989), Pacific Grove Arts Commission Visual Artist of the Year (1997) and the Grand Prize at the National Steinbeck Center Visual Art Juried Exhibition.

She is currently 350 pages into authoring "a semi-memoir that's as much about photography as it is about me," Casanave said.

"I'm also trying to live without a smartphone while I'm working on this project," she said. "It's a way for me to just shut off the world and be alone."

Additional information and images of her work can be found at marthacasanave.com.



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HISTORY

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acquired by Dr. L. C. Gunn, who, in October 1851, sold the old press to G. W. Gore of Columbia (Tuolumne County) on terms.

On Oct. 25, 1851, the old press turned out the first copy of the Columbia Star. Gore still owed \$370 on it, for which Gunn sued. The press was seized and, on Nov. 12, sold at auction to an associate of Gunn. It was left on a sidewalk in Columbia with plans to send a wagon for it the next day. However, that night, vandals — assumedly associates of Gore — moved it to the middle of the street and set it on fire. The historic first press of California was of no further use.

Even then, its significance was clear. Gunn brought the "charred half-consumed timber that constituted the frame" back to Sonora "for the examination of all who feel interested in the relic." The Sonora Herald proclaimed, "it would be labeled and preserved, and whenever a state museum may be established it shall be placed in it."

Zamorano Club

Just a few years later, Kemble wrote in his 1858 "History of California Newspapers" that the press was gone. Sonora had been leveled by fires, and so was the remnant press, which today is only a memory, kept alive in part by the Zamorano Club.

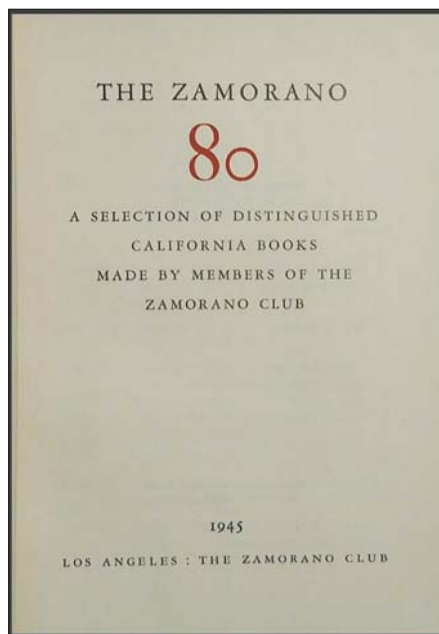
After a few informal meetings in late 1927 by a small

group of men who shared interest in beautifully printed fine books, in January 1928, they laid out the purpose of their as-yet-unnamed club: to exchange ideas about fine books, to encourage the art of the book, to gather and maintain a collection of books, and to produce books and materials that promoted the club's aims. On March 25, 1928, it was named the Zamorano Club in honor of the first printer in California.

Collectors' goals

Concurrently, Henry Wagner, with the financial backing of C. Templeton Crocker, revitalized the California Historical Society in San Francisco. With the help of bibliographer Robert Cowan, and Henry Bliss of the Huntington Library, the Society, in its quarterly of March 1931, published its lists of the "Twenty Rarest and Most Important Works Dealing with the History of California." By this time, Wagner and Cowan had joined the Zamorano Club and debates over the list ensued. The club added a new interest — history.

Club member Phil Hanna, publisher of Westways magazine, supplemented the list with 25 more accessible books on California history and had Primavera Press publish his list as "Libros Californianos." After further debate, by 1940, Hanna encouraged the Club to publish a list of the 100 most important books a collector of Californiana should have. It was compiled in early 1942 and given to Cowan — then in the hospital — for review. With



In 1945 the Zamorano Club published this limited-edition book, 500 copies detailing the list of 80 essential books on California, many of which are very rare. Even the club does not have a complete set.

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three additions, he blessed the list before dying on May 25.

After more debate, the list was further refined and in December 1943, 80 titles were agreed to, and a committee began preparing a written description of each book. Finally, in June 1945, the Zamorano Club published 500 copies of "The Zamorano 80," identifying the list, giving new life to the Zamorano name and creating a new goal for book collectors.

Some of the volumes on the list are so rare that there are few complete collections of the Zamorano 80. But Pacific Grove bibliophile Zena Holman collected most of it before she died in 1980. Look for news of her collection later this year, when I will provide more details.

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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 July 1, 2023.

BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).
S/Sirish Nakka, CEO
Date: Sept. 8, 2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 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: Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2023 (PC 1108)

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Publication Dates: Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2023 (PC 1108)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231949
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
Cruz Tree Service, 1975 Highland St., Seaside, CA 93955, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s): Misael Cruz, 1975 Highland St., Seaside, CA 93955
This business is conducted by an individual
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 10/24/2023
11/3, 11/10, 11/17, 11/24/2023
CNS-3750569#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2023. (PC 1109)

or names listed above on N/A.

S/ Kathryn Nicole Robinson Asarch, This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 10/17/2023.
11/3, 11/10, 11/17, 11/24/2023
CNS-3752965#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2023. (PC 1110)

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 12:00 pm on November 17, 2023
at: www.selfstorageauction.com

The property is stored at:
Coastal Storage,
575 California Ave.
Sand City, CA 93955
Name of Tenants
Raen Murphy

11/3, 11/10/23
CNS-3754057#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: Nov. 3, 10, 2023. (PC 1112)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231704
Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **EDEN HOMES, 17700 Riverbend Rd., Salinas, CA 93908**.
Registered Owner(s): KOICHIRO YONEMITSU, 21444 Riverview Ct., Salinas, CA 93908.
EKIKO YONEMITSU, 21444 Riverview Ct., 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 Jan. 1, 1979.
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/Koichiro 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: Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2023 (PC 1103)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231908
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **CULTIVOS MIXTECO 953 ORGANIC FARMS, 1700 Old Stage Rd., Salinas, CA 93908**.
Mailing address: 95 Castro St., Apt. 304, Salinas, CA 93906.
Registered Owner(s): MARTIN ZARAGOZA LOPEZ, 95 Castro St., Apt. 304, Salinas, CA 93906.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/Martin Zaragoza Lopez
Date signed: Oct. 17, 2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 17, 2023.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2023 (PC 1107)

SUMMONS ON FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT (Citacion Judicial)

CASE NUMBER: 23CV003274
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (Aviso al demandado)
BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF AMERICA, a California corporation; BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF MONTEREY COUNTY, a California corporation; BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF MONTEREY COUNTY, a California Corporation; JON DAVID WOODY, an individual; and DOES 1-50, inclusive,
YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:
(Lo esta demandando el demandante)
JANE BN DOE an individual,

NOTICE: You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money and property may be taken without further warning from the court.
There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association.

NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. **¡AVISO!** Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación.

Tiene 30 DIAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o un llamado telefónico no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorta.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede mas cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin mas advertencia.

Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, pueda llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorta.ca.gov) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. **¡AVISO!** Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 o mas de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el grava men de la cote antes de que la cote pueda des-cha el caso.

The name and address of the court is (El nombre y dirección de la corte es):
MONTEREY COURT
1200 AGUAJITO ROAD
MONTEREY, CA 93940
The name, address and telephone number of the plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado es):
Courtney Pendry, (SBN 327382)
Manly, Stewart & Finaldi,
19100 Von Karman Ave., Ste. 800,
Irvine, CA 92612,
(949) 252-9990
Date: Oct. 20, 2023
(s) Clerk, by Jackie Meraz, Deputy

Publication Dates: Oct. 27; Nov. 3, 10, 2023. (PC 1050)

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the District Board, Carmel Area Wastewater District, at the District office, 3945 Rio Road, P.O. Box 221428 Carmel, CA. 93922, until

10:00 A.M., Tuesday, November 14, 2023

at which time they will be publicly opened and read for performing the work as follows:

New Truck (3/4 Ton Crew Cab)

The results of the bidding will be reported to the General Manager within three (3) days of the date of the bid opening at which time if bids are found to be acceptable by the General Manager, written notice of award will be given to the lowest responsive and responsible Bidder. However, said District reserves its right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities of any bids or to re-advertise for all or any part of the work contemplated.

Specifications and proposal forms may be secured at no charge by writing to: Carmel Area Wastewater District, P.O. Box 221428, Carmel, CA., 93922, by downloading the appropriate electronic documents from the District web page at <http://www.cawd.org/engineering.html> or by emailing the Dan Deeth at downstream@caawd.org and requesting the documents or call (831) 624 1249.

Publication dates: Nov. 3 & 10, 2023 (PC 1113)

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Monday, November 13, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.**, the Housing Ad Hoc Committee of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea City Council will host a **Special Meeting of the City Council** in person at City Hall and via teleconference for the following purpose:

Topic: Housing Ad Hoc Committee Public Meeting to provide an update and receive feedback on the State Housing and Community Development (HCD) 90-day review of the City's Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element. Background material as it relates to the Housing Element and Carmel's Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) can be found here: <https://homecarmelbythesea.com/>

Location: To attend in person, please visit Carmel-by-the-Sea City Hall, located on Monte Verde between Ocean Avenue and 7th Avenue.

To attend via Zoom, copy and paste this link into your browser: <https://ci-carmel-ca-us.zoom.us/j/85011621646?pwd=xZnQcVarr9W0cD0Q4H0i5yJ0S9a5.1>

Meeting ID (if needed) is 850 1162 1646
Passcode (if needed) is 895504
To attend via telephone, dial +1 (669) 444-9171

All interested persons are invited to attend to give oral or written testimony concerning this matter. Written comments may be submitted to the person identified below 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 made part of the record. Comments received after that time and up to the end of the public meeting will be saved as part of the record but may not be provided to the City Council prior to or during the public meeting.

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 public meeting will be broadcast live on the City's website and archived there and on the City's Youtube channel after the meeting.

Please direct comments or questions about this item to Marnie R. Waffle, AICP, Principal Planner: mwaffle@cbs.us or 831-620-2057.

Publish Date: 11/03/2023 – The Pine Cone

Publication dates: November 3, 2023 (PC 1111)





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PUBLIC NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20231701 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: G.R REMODELING, 704 GARNER AVE #45, SALINAS, CA 93905...

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20231388 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CARMEL OUTLANDS, 8 Laguna Robles, Carmel Valley, CA 93924...

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20231769 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SOLEDAD ACE HARDWARE, 900 Front Street, Soledad, CA 93960...

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20231823 Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1. QUAIL LODGE & GOLF CLUB 2. THE QUAIL...

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...

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 23CV003178 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, ANTHONY RAY LESHCH, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

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...

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20231845 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CARMEL COAST REALTY, 10651 Hidden Mesa Place, Monterey, CA 93940...

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...

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...

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20231794 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...

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20231770 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: Continental Food Safety Services, 709 Canal St., King City, CA 93930...

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...

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...

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...

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...

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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...

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20231868 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CARMEL COAST REALTY, 10651 Hidden Mesa Place, Monterey, CA 93940...

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 3.646 The Barnyard, Unit D21, Carmel, CA 93923...

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 3.646 The Barnyard, Unit D21, Carmel, CA 93923...

BE PREPARED FOR EMERGENCIES Register your phone number at ALERTMONTEREYCOUNTY.ORG

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20231877 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1. AT YOUR SERVICE MAINTENANCE & REPAIR 2. MIKE'S BACKHOE & PAVING...

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20231877 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1. AT YOUR SERVICE MAINTENANCE & REPAIR 2. MIKE'S BACKHOE & PAVING...

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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.

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).

LIEN SALE Monterey Harbor, 250 Figueroa Street, Monterey, 11-15-2023 @ 11:00am CF UNKNOWN HIN# NYZP09421889 11/3/23 CNS-3752192# CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: Nov. 3, 2023. (PC 1105)

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.

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.

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.

PUBLIC NOTICES

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. Present name: ALEXANDER JESUS ORTEGA
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 change described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING:
 DATE: Dec. 1, 2023
 TIME: 8:30 a.m.
 PLACE: Courtroom 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. 2, 2023
 Publication Dates: Oct. 27; Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023. (PC 1027)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231801
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **CARMEL CHAMBER**

CYPRESS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

AMENDING THE FINAL BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2023-24

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Thursday, November 16, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. the Cypress Fire Protection District, Board of Directors will meet at the District's fire station located at 3775 Rio Road, Carmel to consider adoption of an amended final budget for fiscal year 2023-24 that ends on June 30, 2024.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the final budget was adopted September 28, 2023 and is available for inspection at the District's fire station located at 3775 Rio Road, Carmel between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any District resident may appear and be heard regarding the increase, decrease, or omission of any item on the budget or for the inclusion of any additional items.

DATED: October 23, 2023
 Leslie Baek, Secretary of the Board

Publication dates: Nov. 3 & 10, 2023 (PC1101)

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.
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 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.

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 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 on 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 1033)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231833
 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 Ithlam 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 Oct. 18, 2023.

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 Publication Dates: Oct. 27; Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023 (PC 1031)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231923
 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.

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 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)

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 Mailing address: 311 Main St. 536, Watsonville, CA 95076.
 Registered Owner(s): MARIA CARRILLO, 6 Ithlam 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

CARMEL HIGHLANDS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AMENDING THE FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Wednesday, November 15, 2023 at 12:30 p.m. the Carmel Highlands Fire Protection District, Board of Directors will meet at the District's fire station located at 73 Fern Canyon Road, Carmel to consider adoption of an amended final budget for fiscal year 2023-24 that ends on June 30, 2024.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the final budget was adopted September 20, 2023 and is available for inspection at the District's fire station located at 73 Fern Canyon Road, Carmel between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any District resident may appear and be heard regarding the increase, decrease, or omission of any item on the budget or for the inclusion of any additional items.

Dated: October 23, 2023
 Leslie Baek, Secretary of the Board

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 S/Maria Carrillo
 Date signed: Sept. 12, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 12, 2023.
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 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: **LOS 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.

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 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.

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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

File No. 20231931
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **CLEAN BY REINE, 45260 Merritt St, King City, CA 93930.**
 Registered Owner(s): LEILA REINE TURTURICI, 45260 Merritt St, King City, CA 93930.
 This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Oct. 20, 2023.
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 S/Leila Turturici
 Date signed: Oct. 20, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 20, 2023.

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 Publication Dates: Oct. 27; Nov. 3, 10, 17, 2023 (PC 1038)

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: Marina U Store Self Storage, 475 Reservation Road, Marina, CA 93933
Name of Tenants
 Christ Jackson
 Leolof Penitito
 Gloria Webb
 Clarence Edwards
 Clayton St John
 Sarah Collins
 10/27 11/3/23
CNS-3751493#
CARMEL PINE CONE
 Publication Dates: Oct. 27; Nov. 3, 2023. (PC 1039)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231809
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **PETITE 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.
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 S/Angelica Benavides, CEO
 Date: Oct. 8, 2023
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 3, 2023.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: DENNIS EDWARD FECTEAU CASE NO. 23PR000454

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of DENNIS EDWARD FECTEAU.
 A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by DONNA L. FECTEAU in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.
 THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DONNA L. FECTEAU be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
 THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The Will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
 THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. [This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.] The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
 A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 11/22/23 at 9:00AM in Dept. 13 located at 1200 AGUAJITO ROAD, MONTEREY, CA 93940

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).

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231825
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **GLEANKO 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 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.

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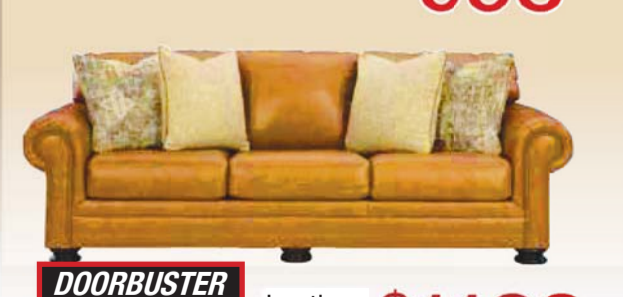
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Real Estate



■ This week's cover property, located in Monterey, is presented by Shelly Mitchell Lynch of Carmel Realty Company (See Page 2RE)

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The Carmel Pine Cone

Real Estate

November 3-9, 2023



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Shelly Mitchell Lynch

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November 3, 2023

Real Estate Sales Oct. 22 - 28

Escrows closed: 37

Total value: \$74,861,500

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Thomas and Penelope Hitch to Robert Reynolds and Heart
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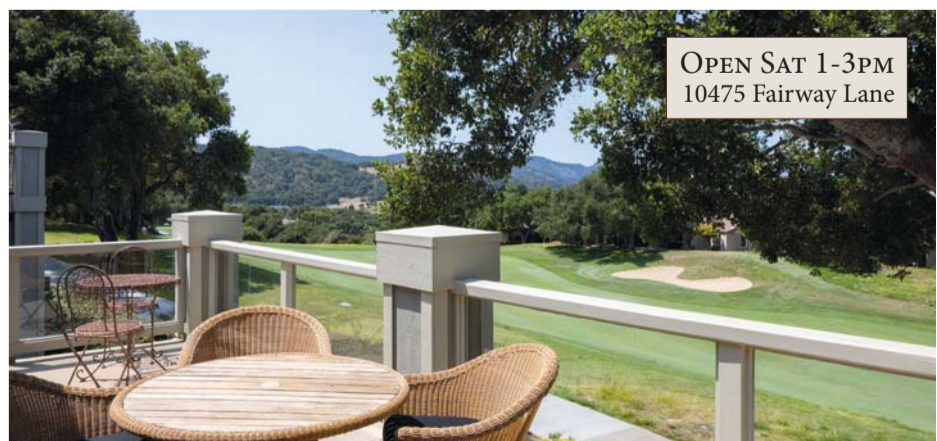


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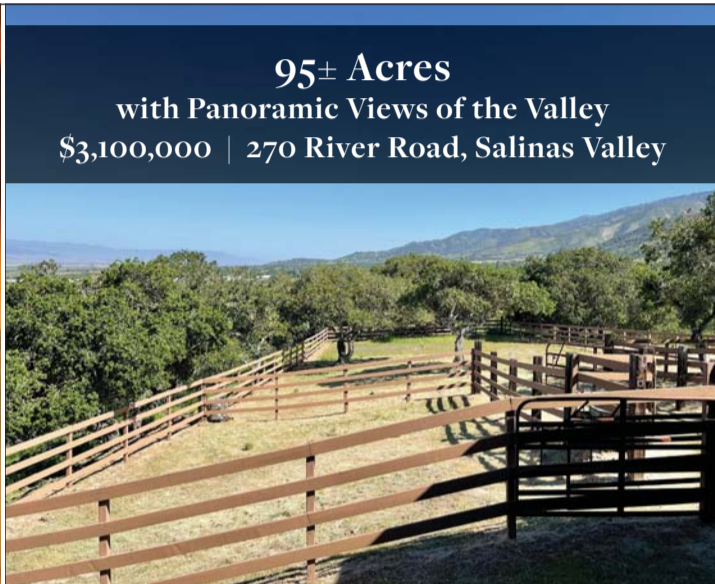
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something. I am very good at not accepting a lot of birthdays as a sign of growing old. Verification of this skill came from a source you would never guess.

No matter how old I am, I continue to regard myself as young inside. "Old age," said Bernard Baruch at 80, "is always 15 years older than you are." No matter what

decade they enter, the young at heart never really feel they are that age.

I was called a Tenderfoot when I joined the Boy Scouts at age 12. Our troop spent two weeks at summer camp where I had to pass a series of tests. Among them were swimming, knot-tying and fire building. At the end of the second week, I finished my rite of passage and was allowed to roll up my khaki shorts 2 inches, signifying I

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By **JERRY GERVASE**

was a veteran scout. It was good training. We enter each new age of life as a beginner, and we are always tested in some manner.

As a kid, each year that passed was one step closer to adulthood. Growing older was an achievement. In my 20s and 30s, friends casually tossed around the phrase "We're getting old," probably because our teen years seemed so far away. Yet, there were many things I wasn't prepared for when adulthood finally came.

Mother and father

I was least prepared for parenting. I know women will disagree with my belief that fatherhood is more difficult than motherhood. Before the birth of our first child, I saw dozens of books for the expectant mother, but not much literature for expectant fathers. I didn't think that was fair because motherhood is in the genes while fatherhood is an acquired skill not easily mastered. For instance, put a newborn baby in most women's arms and they immediately know what to do, while a newborn in the arms of a man is as insecure as Fay Wray in King Kong's hand.

When birthdays ending in zeroes started coming along, I accepted them as achievements. Forty was a little daunting with thinning hair and needing reading glasses for fine print. Forty-year-olds no longer wonder what they're going to be when they grow up.

Fifty was shockingly reflective. Is this all there is? Is this job the pinnacle of your career? On the plus side, you acquire a greater appreciation of forgiveness, and you're entitled to AARP discounts.

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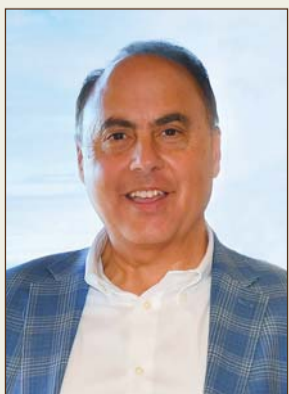
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If 75 is a milestone, 80 can be a millstone if you wear it around your neck and let it drag you down. The honorific, "emeritus," can be added to your name. Use a cane even if you don't need one, or if you do, tell everyone it's a walking stick. You have opinions and are not shy about sharing

them. You know history because you've lived it.

Health matters

Of course, being cavalier about the years piling up presumes reasonably good health. Being ambulatory, having a clear mind, seeing people, getting out and about as often as possible, having a variety of interests, loving and being loved by all contribute to a feeling of making the sun stand still. They contribute but are not essential. You don't need all of them all the time. Seeing myself as young inside is a mental rather than a physical exercise.

My inspiration for being good at not growing old comes from someone slightly older than me and far more active. It is our own actor/auteur, Clint Eastwood. In a 2014 interview in Australia's Sydney Morning Herald he was asked about his secret to staying active and vibrant at his age, Clint said, "Every day when I wake up, I don't let the old man in. So it's a mental thing."

It's a mental thing. Didn't Clint just say so? And it is really that simple. You don't have to be a famous Hollywood personality, or write a newspaper column. Just sign on to the "stay young inside" program and don't let the old man in. It can very well make your day.

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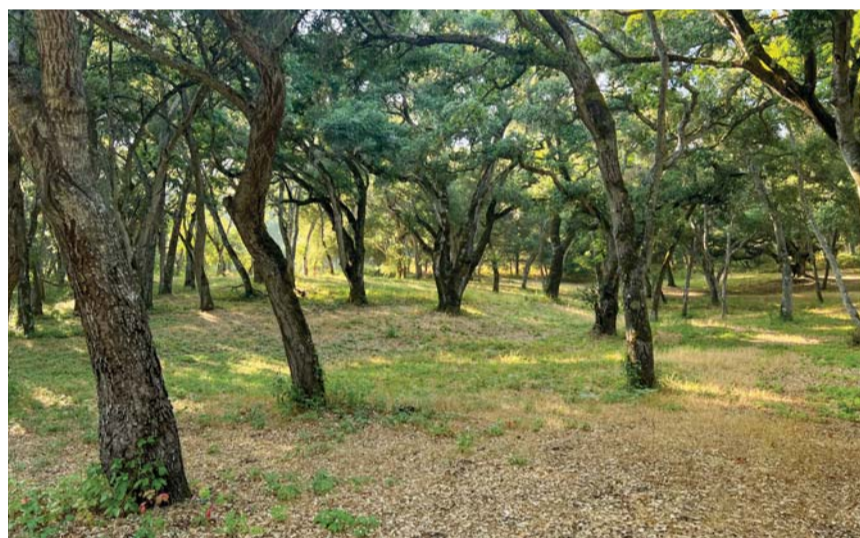
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Unattended cell phone found on the sidewalk near the farmers market at Mission and Sixth. Phone placed into safekeeping pending contact with owner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle towed from Junipero and Third for blocking a driveway. The owner of the vehicle later returned to the car and arranged a drop fee with the tow company.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic stop at Carpenter and Fifth resulted in an unregistered vehicle being stored.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female claims someone is moving the contents of her vehicle around without consent and other various suspicious circumstances.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Adult Protective Services report at Junipero and Third.

Pacific Grove: Report of a verbal domestic dispute on Eardley.

Pacific Grove: Theft from an unlocked vehicle on Forest Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Property from a 17 Mile Drive residence booked for destruction.

Pacific Grove: Complaint of an oversized vehicle parked on Ocean View Boulevard in violation of the municipal code. A warning was left on the vehicle for the responsible party.

Carmel area: APS report of financial abuse on Dolores Street.

Carmel Valley: A 31-year-old male was arrested on Carmel Valley Road for public intoxication.

Big Sur: An arrest was made on Highway 1 for violation of a restraining order. The 63-year-old male was also charged with making threats toward another subject at the property.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 38-year-old male was arrested at Lincoln and Sixth at 0746 hours for possession of meth. Released with promise to appear.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle towed from Ninth and San Carlos for blocking a driveway.

Carmel area: Subject at the Crossroads was placed on a 5150 W&I detention [danger to self or others].

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Structure fire at Monte Verde and Ocean.

Pacific Grove: Abandoned vehicle complaint on Locust Street.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Reports of two dogs barking in a vehicle at Monte Verde and Eighth. Continual problem.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person reported losing a \$100 bill near Chase Bank at San Carlos and Sixth.

Pacific Grove: Marital dispute on Arkwright Court.

Carmel area: A suspect used a key to open a commercial mailbox on Carmel Rancho Boulevard and removed the contents.

Carmel Valley: Cachagua Road resident sent gift cards and an iPhone to an unknown party for a promise of money.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a call for services on Carmel Valley Road regarding suspicious circumstances.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a mutual fight on East Carmel Valley Road.



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206 Madera Court — \$2,952,000 Sara Hanson to Emily Craparo
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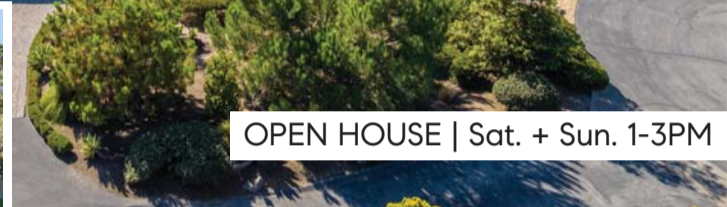
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