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C.V. artist's lamp added to Disneyland treehouse

By CHRIS COUNTS

ONE OF Desiree Gillingham's distinctive shell lamps has been added to a popular attraction at Disneyland, the Adventureland Treehouse formerly known as the Swiss Family Robinson Treehouse.

Inspired by the classic book and film, "Swiss Family Robinson," the tree house opened in 1962 but was closed for a major renovation in 2021. It's set to reopen Nov. 10, and when it does, one of its rooms will be adorned with a lamp that was commissioned by Disneyland and custom made by Gillingham.

Out of the blue

A longtime Carmel Valley resident, Gillingham told The Pine Cone that she was first contacted last September "clear out of the blue" by an employee from Walt Disney Imagineering, the research and development arm of the Disney corporation.

"They asked me some

questions about my work and we chatted," said the artist, who made her first lamp in 1974. "Eight months later, they called and wanted to talk again."

Disneyland asked Gillingham to make an electric shell

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Artist Desiree Gillingham was commissioned by Disneyland to create one of her eye-catching shell lamps (next to window at left) for its Adventureland Treehouse (above).

Council to study street addresses some more

By MARY SCHLEY

ASSIGNING NUMBERS to homes in Carmel will not automatically lead to mail delivery and the shutdown of the Fifth Avenue post office, a city staff member who was tasked with researching the hot-button topic told the city council Tuesday.

Administrative analyst Emily Garay also said the state fire code requires the city to assign a number to each house and to make sure the number is clearly visible from the street.

Before mail delivery could be started, the city would have to request it and then work with the U.S. Postal Service to make it happen, according to Garay.

'Already established'

"It's staff's conclusion that implementing street addresses would not necessarily mean the closing of the post office," she said. "In a very real scenario, working with the U.S. Postal Service, the City of Carmel could very well keep its post office as is. It's efficient and it's already established."

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Carmel Foundation buys Red Cross HQ

By MARY SCHLEY

WHILE IT was marketed as a potential luxury home, the longtime Red Cross building at Dolores and Eighth is unlikely to be converted into anything of the sort, since the nonprofit across the street purchased it for \$3.2 million this week.

Holly Zoller, president and CEO of The Carmel Foundation, said the senior organization has for years had its eye on the post adobe building that was designed and built by Hugh Comstock for the Red Cross in 1955 and later expanded to include landscaping and parking on the 8,438-square-foot corner lot.

"That building has long been on our wish list — way before my tenure," she said Tuesday. "As of yesterday, the building is now part of the Carmel Foundation campus."

See RED CROSS page 18A

MPC develops new 'anti-racism' department

By KELLY NIX

TO MAKE everyone "feel welcome" and "empowered," Monterey Peninsula College has created a new diversity and anti-racism department that will be headed by a CSUMB graduate.

On Wednesday, the community college announced it hired Jacinto M. Salazar III as director of the new Inclusivity, Diversity, Equity, Anti-Racism, and Accessibility Department, or IDEAA, which aims to address "systemic inequalities and foster an atmosphere where all community members feel welcome, supported and empowered."

'Leading conversations'

"In this new position, Salazar will play a pivotal role leading conversations to shape and implement strategic initiatives that promote a more inclusive, equitable and accessible campus community, furthering MPC's efforts to ensure that all students, faculty and staff have the support and resources they need to thrive," the college said

Wednesday morning.

Salazar, it continued, will work closely with faculty, staff, students and citizens to develop and implement those initiatives and ensure the college's policies, practices and programs "reflect these important values."

The college did not specify in a press release how it is lacking in inclusivity, equitability or accessibility, and whether there is a culture of systemic racism there that needs addressing.

MPC also did not say how much Salazar will be paid, if there have been incidents of racism at the college involving staff and/or students, and what steps would be taken to make it more "equitable and inclusive," which are among MPC's goals for the IDEAA.

MPC President Marshall T. Fulbright III said the appointment of Salazar reflects the community college's commitment to offering a "supportive and welcoming space" for everyone, and that it's confident

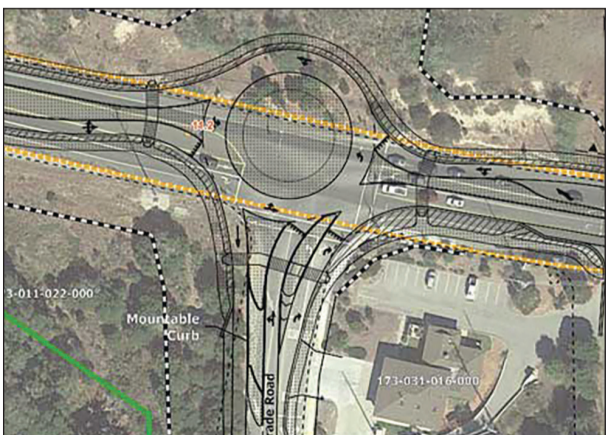
Seeking to 'welcome, support and empower'

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Congested Hwy. 68 could get multiple roundabouts

By CHRIS COUNTS

IN AN effort to "improve traffic operations and reduce collisions" along a 9-mile stretch of Highway 68, Caltrans wants to make a series of improvements that could cost



PHOTO/COURTESY CALTRANS

more than \$150 million — and one of the alternatives involves installing nine roundabouts along the busy route.

To learn more about how residents feel about two alternatives, the state roads agency is hosting public hearings Nov. 15 from 3 to 7 p.m. in the Hospitality Pavilion at Laguna Seca's Weather Tech Raceway, and Nov. 16 from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Salinas Police Activities League Armory at 100 Howard St. in oldtown.

If you can't attend either hearing, there will be another one on Dec. 6 from 3 to 7 p.m. in the Monterey Conference Center's Steinbeck Room.

Comments can also be submitted by email to SR-68@dot.ca.gov.

Multiple wildlife crossings

Besides offering people a chance to comment on or ask questions about the highway, the hearings will give officials an opportunity to make presentations about various options, including one that would convert nine intersections into roundabouts at a cost of \$153 million.

The second alternative would enhance "signalized intersections with adaptive signal control technology and enhanced lane channelization to provide auxiliary through

SEWER PLANT UPGRADES



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You may not spend a lot of time thinking about what happens after you flush your toilet, but for some people, it's a career. See page 3A.

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One alternative for upgrades to Highway 68 includes constructing nine roundabouts, including the one shown here at Laureles Grade.

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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Deeply devoted

Recently married and anticipating children in their future, a young couple brought home an 8-week-old goldendoodle for a little practice parenting. Because they love watching the waves breaking on the bay from their Carmel Meadows home, and because he is an avid surfer and she'd given it a try, they named their pup "Kai," which in Hawaiian, means "the sea."

"When we met Kai, he and his brother came running toward us, each carrying a little stuffy in his mouth," his person said. "Kai came right up to my boot and began chewing on the zipper. He was so endearing, we knew we had to make him part of our family."

Rather than merely a member of the family, Kai quickly became the heart of the household. And in time, when the couple brought home their two little boys, now 6 and 2, Kai jumped up and licked their little faces, claiming them. He remains their guardian, their brother, their pal.

"Kai is almost 12 and he's still the glue that holds our family together," his person said. "He's rarely left alone. He comes to my office every day and sleeps in our bed every night. If he's not there, we go and find him."

Much of what the family does apart or together is organized around Kai. Avid hikers, the couple has stopped trekking through Point Lobos because they can't bring Kai. They've stopped going to movies to-



gether because he can't come along. "We actually monitor the length of our vacations so we're not gone from him too long," his person said. "It would be too hard on him. And us." Fortunately for the family, despite his advancing age, Kai remains happy, healthy and spry. "We have no idea what we'd do without him," his person said. "We try not to think about it."

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Sewer plant gets \$27 million upgrade

By CHRIS COUNTS

COLLECTING, TREATING and disposing of wastewater from more than 11,000 people from Carmel and Pebble Beach is a complicated task, but it's about to get easier. The Carmel Area Wastewater District announced this week it's nearing the completion of a \$27 million project "to fully upgrade" its sewer plant along Carmel River just west of Highway 1.

"We are close to finishing off the electrical and mechanical rehabilitation project at our treatment plant," CAWD general manager Barbara Buikema told The Pine Cone. "The last time this kind of money was spent at CAWD was in 1980, with \$10 million in Clean Water Grant funding," Buikema said.

The work to upgrade the facility was done in two phases, starting 10 years ago.

According to Buikema, one critical part of the work was installing a second digester at the plant. A digester breaks down organic waste and the addition of a

second one offers a back-up in case the first one breaks down.

"We have to operate 24/7, 365 days a year," Buikema explained. "We have to have redundancy."

Safety improvements

The project included constructing a building that makes it possible for the plant to use sodium hypochlorite to disinfect wastewater. Previously, the facility relied on using chlorine gas to accomplish the task. Buikema said the former is "much less safe" than sodium hypochlorite. "We're very safety conscious here, and moving away from chlorine gas was the right thing to do," she offered.

The same building that makes it possible to use sodium hypochlorite also enables the plant to use sodium bisulfate to neutralize chlorine from wastewater before it's reclaimed for irrigation or discharged into the ocean.

See SEWER page 16A



PHOTOS/CHRIS COUNTS

A major upgrade at the CAWD sewer plant included installing a second digester (left), which breaks down organic waste. The work also included replacing all the plant's motor control centers, which plant engineer Patrick Treaynor (right) shows the Pine Cone.



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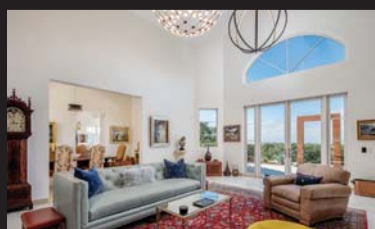
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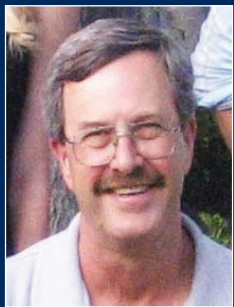
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Police & Sheriff's Log

Used belt for sale on the 'innerweb'

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.

Crest Road and damages due to rule violations.

Carmel area: Someone stole an e-bike from an unlocked detached garage on Via Mar Monte.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 22-year-old male Casanova Street resident was arrested at San Carlos and Eighth at 0159 hours for public intoxication.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: In-field cite and release of a 19-year-old male at San Antonio and Eighth for driving while his license was suspended.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Dog-vs.-dog bite at Ocean and Del Mar.

Pacific Grove: Abandoned vehicle on Lighthouse Avenue; 72-hour notice.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject was notified that a window panel in a business at Ocean and Dolores was cracked sometime over the weekend. No further info.

Pebble Beach: Resident reported having a civil issue involving an Airbnb rental on

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

Carmel-by-the-Sea: In-field cite and release of a subject at Santa Rita and Second for a driving with a suspended CDL.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury accident in the Bruno's parking lot. A vehicle slowly backed into an elderly male. The male fell down to the ground and claimed his back hurt but refused medical.

Pacific Grove: A vehicle at Ocean View and Third was marked as abandoned.

Carmel Valley: Adult Protective Services report of financial abuse on El Caminito.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female lost her cell phone on Carmel Beach.

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The gavel falls

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

Sept. 26 — Gabriel Porfirio Lopez, 42, of Salinas, was found guilty by a jury of three counts of Oral Copulation With a Child Under 10 Years, one count of Sexual Penetration With a Child Under 10 Years, eight counts of Forcible Lewd Act on a Child Under 14 Years, one count of Lewd Act on a Child Under 14 Years, and one count of Forcible Rape of a Child Under 14 Years. Lopez was also convicted of a multiple victim enhancement for committing child molestation upon more than one victim. All 14 counts are violent felonies and are considered strikes under California's three strikes law. Lopez faces 165 years to life in prison and will be sentenced by Judge Jennifer O'Keefe. He will also be required to register as a sex offender for life.

Lopez sexually molested two relatives when they were each under 10 years of age. He would do so when nobody else was present, and when he had care and custody of the children because their mother was working. He told both victims to be quiet after he committed the assaults. Both victims did not disclose the abuse until many years later.

Salinas Police Det. Byron Gansen and officer Ruby Alvarez investigated the case, and district attorney investigator Rachel Maldo-

nado provided crucial assistance at trial. The victims were assisted by district attorney victim witness assistance program manager Alma Sanchez.

Oct. 2 — The Hon. Stephanie Hulsey sentenced David Rivera Ayala, 34 and a resident of San Diego, to 22 years in prison for committing three counts of a forcible lewd act upon a child under 14 years old. All three offenses are violent felonies and considered "strikes" under California's three strikes law. Ayala will also be required to register as a sex offender for the rest of his life.

While living in Marina between 2009 and 2018, the defendant repeatedly sexually assaulted Jane Doe, a relative, over the course of several years.

In April of 2021, Doe found the courage tell her mother and sibling about the abuse that had gone on in the past when she learned the defendant was being invited to a family celebration.

This case was investigated by Marina police officers Eduardo Gamboa and Michael Ball and district attorney investigator Rachel Maldonado. Jane Doe and her sister were assisted by district attorney victim advocate Sonia Buenrostro.



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Supes to discuss public oversight of sheriff, conditions at county jail

By MARY SCHLEY

MORE THAN a year after the Monterey County Board of Supervisors voted to increase oversight of the sheriff's office to address complaints of harassment and other issues, an ad hoc committee of two supervisors will hold another meeting on the topic Nov. 13 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Monterey Room of the government center at 168 W. Alisal St.

Earlier this year, county supervisors Wendy Root Askew and Glenn Church formed the ad hoc committee "to explore the options for such oversight, its impact on the community and county government," which includes "listening to and gathering community needs, concerns and opinions."

The supervisors, staff and the public will discuss AB 1185, which authorizes

counties to form boards or appoint inspectors general to scrutinize their sheriff's departments, and will talk about the California Peace Officer Bill of Rights.

Askew and Church will also reveal the results of a survey conducted a few months ago that focused on whether additional oversight is needed, how much people trust the sheriff's office, whether an independent board or inspector general should monitor the department, if cutting funding for patrols or other public programs to pay for additional oversight would be worth it, and what a board or inspector general should focus on.

Jail litigation

Operations at the Monterey County Jail will be discussed, too, in light of recent litigation in a 2015 federal class action

lawsuit filed by then-inmate Jesse Hernandez and others over staffing, inmate classification, jail facilities, overcrowding, medical care, mental health care, dental care, and access to jail programs for persons with disabilities.

A settlement approved by U.S. District Court Judge Paul Grewal in August 2015 required the sheriff's office, the county and California Forensic Medical Group (now called Wellpath) to make numerous changes in response to the lawsuit.

The federal court also retained jurisdiction over the case for five years, and attorneys for the plaintiffs were allowed to monitor the progress.

'Contempt'

In the years since, both sides have fought over the release of records after one of the inmates who was a

plaintiff in the lawsuit died in jail in 2019, and last spring, after repeatedly notifying the county and Wellpath that they were not complying with the settlement agreement, the plaintiffs asked a judge to order the company to do its job.

In late September, U.S. District Court Judge Beth Labson Freeman granted their motion to enforce the settlement agreement and the Wellpath Implementation Plan and found Wellpath "to be in civil contempt" of 43 requirements outlined in the agreement and plan.

The judge ordered Wellpath to comply by March 25, 2024, or be fined \$25,000 per violation.

Residents and others interested in the state of the sheriff's office can participate in the meeting in person or online via Zoom.

Federal court oversight after lawsuit alleges overcrowding and inadequate medical care



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Four arrested in Macy's armed robbery

By MARY SCHLEY

POLICE ARRESTED four men suspected of robbing the Macy's department store at Del Monte Center at gunpoint Friday afternoon, tracking three down in the neighborhood where they abandoned their car after leading officers on a 22-minute chase, and taking the fourth into custody a few days later at his home in Greenfield, Monterey Police Lt. Jacob Pinkas said Wednesday.

Shortly before 4:30 p.m. Nov. 3, a security guard at Macy's told Monterey P.D. he'd faced off with a group of men who "were stealing merchandise and pointed a handgun at him when he tried to intervene," according to Pinkas.

The suspects fled in a maroon Honda Accord that Monterey police officers spotted on Munras moments later and attempted to stop. When the driver took off instead of slowing, Monterey P.D. immediately asked nearby law enforcement agencies to assist in the pursuit, which took them from Monterey onto northbound Highway 1, through East Garrison in Fort Ord and onto Blanco Road into the City of Salinas. The men ditched the car in the area of Buena Vista and Park Street and ran.

Police chased them down on foot and took three of the four into custody, with help from nearby residents who "were pointing out which way they all ran," Pinkas said, while the fourth man eluded capture. In the car, officers found more than \$1,500 worth of Macy's merchandise and a ghost gun, an illegal, untraceable firearm built from a kit or produced on a 3D printer.

In jail

David Rangel, 21, was arrested for robbery, conspiracy, possession of the "unserialized firearm" used in the robbery, and possession of a controlled substance, while 20-year-old Bryin Guzman was booked on charges of evading a peace officer, driving on the wrong side of the road while evading, conspiracy, and violation of post-release community supervision, which is similar to probation. Rangel was held on \$92,500 bail and was later released, while Guzman was booked on \$30,000 bail and remained in county jail this week. Most of the charges are felonies.

The third suspect, 21-year-old Antonio Sotelo, was arrested for obstructing an officer, a misdemeanor, and was taken

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Panel urges tidepool protection

By KELLY NIX

PACIFIC GROVE planning commissioners want more done to protect and restore natural habitat near the Great Tide Pool — one of the city's most treasured sites — which took a battering during January's storms.

Heavy winds and strong waves last winter hammered Pacific Grove, resulting in the destruction of a portion of the 5-foot-wide boardwalk that overlooks the Great Tide Pool, demolishing a 16-foot-long viewing platform and causing other damage.

The Great Tide Pool — located just offshore from the Pacific Grove golf course's 12th Hole — is rich in marine life and is a popular area for tourists and locals.

Since the storms, public works director Daniel Gho said workers have removed dangerously protruding rebar and made significant repairs to the coastal path, including fixing a dangerous drop off so it's safer for pedestrians.

But planning commissioner Claudia Sawyer and her colleagues are requesting that more short-term measures be performed to protect the nearby dunes and the habitat in the off-limits areas. Much of the fencing was damaged in the storms.

Progress reports

"The post and cable that keep people out of the sensitive habitat, most of that is down and has not been fixed" since January, Sawyer said during an Oct. 19 planning commission meeting.

Sawyer said there are also not enough signs warning people of the habitat, which includes the federally protected tidestrom's lupin and Monterey spineflower.

Sawyer's colleagues on the commission agreed, voting 5-0, with two members absent, to request that the city council direct public works to perform more short-term measures to protect dunes habitat,

investigate a long-term mitigation plan for the Great Tide pool area, and for monthly reports from public works on the progress of the restoration activities.

'Rigorous cleanup'

Gho did not attend the Oct. 19 meeting but told commissioners in a message that his department cleaned up the area near the Great Tide Pool after the storms and has worked hard since then to fix what was damaged. He said that the work has been difficult considering heavy machinery can't be used. "Cleanup was rigorous, as access to the site with equipment is virtually impossible," Gho said. "All work was done by hand with minimal small equipment being utilized."

He disagrees with Sawyer's contention that visitors are damaging sensitive plants.

"Public works has made the site safe and the dunes and plant species in the area are not being harmed," Gho told The Pine Cone Oct. 30.

Sawyer provided The Pine Cone with photos she said were taken the same day that depict people walking in restricted areas where plant life is abundant.

A new long-term plan for the 3.5-acre property could include rerouting coastal paths, clearing the boardwalk of sand to allow better access, relocating and rebuilding the viewing platform and boardwalk and following recommendations outlined in a 2014 Great Tide Pool restoration and enhancement plan.

But Gho said his office has hired Monterey consultant Denise Duffy & Associates, which has begun surveying plant species on the Great Tide Pool property and is preparing a biological assessment that will be used for a restoration plan.

Sawyer and some residents, including Lisa and Tony Ciani, have questioned why the city hired the company without consulting members of the planning commission and the public beforehand.

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P.G. ‘EXPLORING’ ADDITION OF PROGRAMS FOR OLDER TEENS

By KELLY NIX

WITH VIDEO games, a basketball court, a computer lab and a snack bar, Pacific Grove advertises its youth center as “The Place in P.G. for Teens.” Yet the multi-story facility next to city hall is off-limits to most teenagers.

At the Nov. 1 city council meeting, former P.G. City Councilman and father Dan Miller asked the council why the city no longer allows high schoolers to use the facility. He also questioned why the youth center isn’t open on weekends, no longer offers dances and seems to be generally underused.

“At what point in time is the youth center going to be open for the youth of Pacific Grove, other than small amounts of kids in summer camps?” Miller asked.

‘Exploring options’

While the city’s website indicates the youth center — which opened to great fanfare and with a full slate of programs for high schoolers in the mid-1990s — is available for “students in grades 6-12 Monday to Friday during the school year,” that’s not the case, and apparently hasn’t been for a long time. The city only allows middle schoolers and other kids enrolled in summer camps to use the facility.

“You have a whole month of summer break for the kids in the city, and only 30 kids got to use the youth center,” Miller went on to say.

Asked who made the decision to close the center to high schoolers, and when, public works director Daniel Gho indicated

that it hasn’t been open to them for a long time.

“The youth center has typically been open for after school programming geared towards middle school youth,” he said. “In my 15-year tenure with the city, this has always been the practice.”

So the city’s website indicating that the youth center welcomes all students — even juniors and seniors in high school — is long outdated.

Gho explained that the city’s recreation department is “exploring program options

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The city’s youth center doesn’t allow high-schoolers, but officials say they want to offer more programs for older kids.

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Health dept. publishes compliance list for tattoo, branding shops

By KELLY NIX

MONTEREY COUNTY residents hoping to get some new ink or a body piercing now have an easier way of finding shops and operators in Monterey County that comply with health and safety regulations.

On Wednesday, the county's environmental health bureau released a list of licensed tattoo and piercing shops, along with those offering permanent lipstick and eyeliner, eyebrow tattooing and branding, which involves intentionally burning the skin to create "artistic" scars.

While the county has long inspected body art shops and required them to get health permits, the publicly accessible list — at shorturl.at/mqsvG — is new this year. It contains the names of 43 facilities and 88 body decoration operations, many of them in the Monterey Peninsula. Shops had

until Oct. 25 to schedule inspections, while Nov. 3 was the county's deadline to complete them.

Maria Ferdin, with county environmental health, said the list not only helps customers find shops that follow the rules, it puts operators on notice.

Credentials

"This is an effort to make very clear that if you want to provide services in Monterey County for body art, you have to be registered with us and be in compliance with the California Safe Body Art Act," a law intended to protect practitioners and their clients from the transmission of infectious diseases, Ferdin explained at an Oct. 25 press briefing.

Body art shops, according to the state's definition, do not include jewelry stores and other establishments that

offer ear piercing "with a disposable, single-use, pre-sterilized clasp and stud or solid needle that is applied using a mechanical device to force the needle or stud through the ear."

The county's health department announced in late October that it was in the midst of conducting its annual inspections of body art businesses.

Apart from checking the new list, customers are urged to request to see an operator's health department permit and county-issued "operator card."

Health and safety regulations passed by the state in 2011 supersede the county's rules, which were developed much earlier, in 2004.

Environmental health specialist Angeline Hsu told the press Wednesday that the county has also refined the inspection process to allow shops to better plan for their annual inspections.

In January 2024, the county will update its compliance list for body decoration businesses that have opened since the October inspections, and it will perform two to three additional updates next year, Hsu said. Ferdin said they plan on publishing the list every year.

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"We all know someone who has been affected by the wildfires on Maui," organizer Charlene Huihui said. "We all felt the need to do something, and what better way than to share our heritage and love for our culture, and give back to those who have lost so much? We do this with much aloha in our hearts.

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What can the city do to regulate state-mandated granny units?

Special meeting on ADUs set for Nov. 15

By MARY SCHLEY

IN THE six-plus years since the state began requiring local governments to approve granny units with little oversight, the City of Carmel has received 90 applications — 39 since Jan. 1, 2022 — planning director Brandon Swanson said this week, and of those, 29 have been built and 34 are under construction. On Nov. 15, the planning commission will hold a workshop to discuss ways to regulate accessory dwelling units, commonly referred to as ADUs.

“What is interesting about this is that 43 percent of the total ADU applications received over an almost seven-year period

have come in in the last two years,” he said. They are processed over the counter without public notice, and the city has little say in the matter.

But there are at least some controls that can be imposed, according to Swanson, who will present a draft ordinance seeking to address square footage, height, parking requirements, setbacks and other elements to the extent the state allows.

“State law does allow us to have parking requirements in the coastal beach areas, so we are going to be requiring parking for ADUs in those areas that we already know are heavily impacted by parking,” he explained, by way of example.

ADUs won’t be allowed to expand the developed square footage of a lot beyond legal maximums. “We are going to take the position that a detached ADU counts

toward the total floor area of a site, so you’re not getting an 1,800-square-foot house plus an 800-plus-square-foot ADU,” Swanson said.

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The law will also manage the timing of an ADU application relative to the main home on a lot. “When someone comes in with an application that shows an ADU and a house, we can require that the house be approved before we take action on the ADU,” he said. “The ADU still follows its over-the-counter path, but we can hit ‘pause’ on the ADU and figure out the house first.”

That would help avoid situations like the somewhat contentious one at Guadalupe and Fourth, where a large ADU was built near the front property line before the

planning commission OK’d remodel plans for the old home on the lot.

The commission will also establish design standards that will apply to all ADUs, including requiring the color, exterior and roofing materials to match those on the main house. The standards will be separate from the ordinance so they can be amended or updated without going through the lengthy legislative process of changing the law.

Swanson said he’s in favor of ADUs because they can provide lower-cost housing for aging family members to live near able-bodied relatives, children who need to return to their parents’ home, and people to rent in the city where they work.

“If that’s how they’re used, I’m really,

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ADDRESSES

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Her research also revealed that the state's fire and building codes require "approved address identification" for all buildings, and they must be legible and placed in a location visible from the street or road. They also must contain numbers or letters and be at least 4 inches high.

"Is it possible to exempt ourselves out of the fire code?" Mayor Dave Potter asked before public comment began.

"It is not possible to exempt yourself out of the fire code," city attorney Brian Pierik answered.

"So we have to do what the fire code says," Potter observed.

Regardless, the potential implementation of a street addressing system recognized by state and federal government, utilities, banks, lenders and other entities — and by people frequently flummoxed by addresses like "Monte Verde 2 SW Ocean" — remains a point of heated debate, as it has been for decades, and the council on Tuesday decided to assign a subcommittee to further ruminate on the matter.

The issues

Residents opposing the idea predict it would bring about the demise of residents' traditional trips to the post office for their mail and could irreparably harm the village's character and charm, while proponents say house numbers are imperative not just for emergency responders, but for numerous other entities that won't accept anything other than a formal, verifiable street address.

Twenty people wrote in urging the council to make the change, citing lost deliveries, canceled utilities — because the company shut off power to the wrong house — delayed emergency responses, difficulty obtaining various types of insurance coverage, trouble renewing passports and qualifying for Real ID, inability to open bank and loan accounts, and other

issues. Many are longtime residents.

"Having a street address will do nothing to change the character of the city and could save a life," Bert Cummings said.

"I don't need to cite all of the problems with Carmel address Junipero 3 NE 11th," said Bill Woo, whose other address in Incline Village was redacted by city staff from the body of his letter, while his local address was not.

"Additionally, the problem with my Carmel address is that I have both lot 2 and 3, so I am the second house, but officially the third," he continued. "Are you confused? Well, I have suffered with this for over 30 years! So please move forward with having standard street addresses and make things finally work."

In addition, several residents argued their points in person. Jill Petker said she had to have a computer modem delivered to a friend outside the city because the shipper wouldn't recognize her address, and Linda Calafiore said "having legal, recognizable addresses" will only increase in importance due to security and other issues.

Hugo Ferlito, husband of councilwoman Karen Ferlito, said he could not choose a new Medicare drug plan because he "did not have an address I could give."

"It was really frustrating," he said.

"I suspect that was the reason why a long time ago there was a debate about whether electricity should be allowed to come into Carmel, because someone said if you allow electricity to come in, soon enough, they'll want addresses," Ferlito quipped.

Bettylou Kullas said she knows of two occasions when emergency responders were delayed because they went to the wrong home due to confusion over their addresses — once for a drug overdose and once for a burglary.

"I know that took a long time, because they came to our house," she said.

But other longtime residents, like Harvey Billig, said they've had no trouble with

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the lack of house numbers.

Preservationist Neal Kruse said the post office is "a vital element for gluing this community together," and mentioned the decades-old proposal for a plaza at the post office that was never built but nonetheless illustrated the value of gathering there.

"That is the last standing place where the community gets together," he said.

"I have only lived in Carmel for 50 years, and I have not had any issues" obtaining Real ID, Global Entry, passports, trust documents for two estates, utilities and medical calls, resident Shirley Moon said, but assigning house numbers could damage the history, charm and lifestyle of the "fragile" town.

Historic resources board member Karyl Hall agreed, as did Cindy Lloyd, though she lives in the Carmel Woods area outside city limits in a home with a street address and mail delivery.

"I think there needs to be more research," commented councilman Bobby Richards, prompting Potter to propose forming an ad hoc committee.

Ferlito observed that the residents who emailed and spoke weren't arguing in favor of house numbers for frivolous reasons or for convenience — "it was actually struggling with some of the things they have to do every day."

"I think a hybrid system would suit everyone," she said. "We could still meet at the post office," though the habit of lingering there has diminished considerably since the pandemic.

'A million hoops'

Further, she doubted the fire code would require addresses if they weren't necessary, and also noted the challenges of having to pick up an 80-pound cabinet or six chairs delivered to the post office.

"We shouldn't have to jump through a million hoops to try to prove where we live," she added.

Councilwoman Alissandra Dramov said the issue needs a deeper look and supported the idea raised by a few speakers of having Google or Apple assign GPS addresses, because she doesn't trust the U.S. Postal

Service.

"It's a giant bureaucracy and somebody could tell us one day that everything is fine, and then the next day they could say, 'No, we're going to close the downtown post office and you have to have these centralized delivery receptacles.'"

"I have a lot less desire to have a tech company responsible for my address than I do for the U.S. government," council-



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Small homes with cute names are part of Carmel's international fame, but the lack of house numbers causes problems for many.

man Jeff Baron responded. "So I don't really have any interest in having a Google address."

He also said the only way to get more information is to talk to USPS management, not to ask staff to do more research. "There is no amount of research that we can do on our own at this point," he said. "Staff has had a year to do this," and "has done a pretty good job of answering the public's questions."

Council members decided to create an ad hoc committee of Dramov and Ferlito. The council is generally fond of such committees, having created them for housing, outdoor winetasting, ambulance service and numerous other issues.

"I would encourage everybody who cares so passionately about this to go to the ad hocs," Richards said.

Ferlito said the committee should be authorized to work with the postal service, "because we can't just keep kicking the can around."

"That's not an answer and it's not responding to some really heartfelt needs that people have," she said.

The committee is planning to report back to the council on its discoveries in February 2024.



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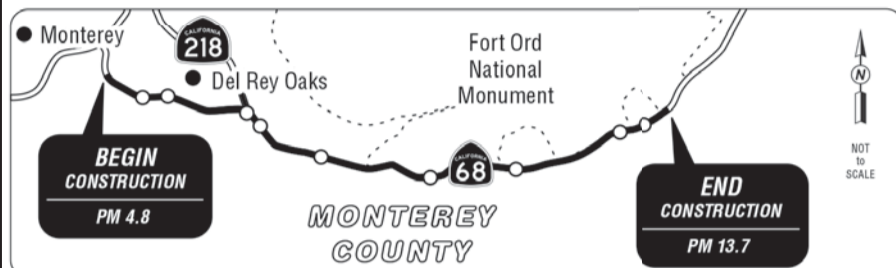
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Several public hearings are planned to be held during the public review period for the draft environmental document to provide an overview of the proposed project and the draft environmental document, allow you to ask questions about the analysis in the environmental document, and provide your comments.

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For more information or to request a copy of the Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment, please contact Matt Fowler, Senior Environmental Planner, at 805-779-0793 or by email at matt.c.fowler@dot.ca.gov. For information on other state highway projects, please visit the Caltrans District 5 website at <https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me-district-5/> or contact the Caltrans District 5 Public Information Office at 805-549-3138 or by email at info-d5@dot.ca.gov.

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SEWER

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The project included replacing all the plant's motor control centers.

"All were beyond their life spans," Buikema said. "Replacing them is a huge benefit to running the plant — everything is much more streamlined."

Feeling secure

The plant's stormwater system was also upgraded, making it possible to recycle runoff, and the electrical wiring that ran beneath the plant was replaced.

Buikema said the plant plays an essential role in maintaining the infrastructure that supports the local community — but does so mostly behind the scenes.

"Residents and businesses in Carmel should know that while they may not be thinking about their sewer every day, we are thinking about the service we provide to them," she said. "This update of the plant should make the town feel secure for many years to come."

The president for CAWD, Ken White said that funding the upgrades was made easier by the district's board decision to not sell bonds to fund the work, but instead, "pay as we go." "We saved a lot of money in interest payments," White said.

White observed that the project was well thought out and efficiently used its funding, and he reported that the upgrades will increase the plant's energy savings by 10 percent.

Plant engineer Patrick Treaynor noted that all eight golf courses in Pebble Beach rely on water reclaimed from the plant, which "provides a huge benefit to the community due to water scarcity problems."

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THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD VIA TELECONFERENCE AND IN PERSON AT CITY HALL. The public is welcome to attend the meeting in person or remotely via Zoom; however, the meeting will proceed as normal even if there are technical difficulties accessing Zoom. The City will do its best to resolve any technical issues as quickly as possible.

To attend in person, visit the City Council Chambers at City Hall located on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues. **To view or listen to the meeting remotely,** you may access the YouTube Live Stream at: <https://www.youtube.com/@CityofCarmelbytheSea/streams>, or use the following link to view or listen to the meeting via Zoom teleconference: <https://ci-carmel-ca-us.zoom.us/j/88991263922?pwd=TFVQTUFVMjA5c1l2STdDQU94V1I0UT09>. **To listen to the meeting via telephone, dial +1 346 248 7799.** Meeting ID: 889 9126 3922. Passcode: 930 359.

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

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

HE 23-097 (Hofsas House, Inc.)
Hofsas House Hotel & Residence
Eric Miller Architects, Inc., Architect
San Carlos Street 4 northwest of 4th Avenue
Block 34; Multiple Lots
APNs: 010-124-014-000, 010-124-001-000
Consideration of a historic determination for the single-family residence known as "Donna Hofsas House" and a historic determination for the Hofsas House Hotel located on San Carlos Street 4 northwest of 4th Avenue.

DS 23-160 (Lutz)
Thomas Bateman Hood, Architect
Santa Fe Street 4 northwest of 6th Avenue
Block 60, Lot 11
APN: 010-092-005-000
Request for reconsideration of a Determination of Consistency with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for additions and site modifications at the historic "S. J. Miller House" located at the northwest corner of Casanova Street and 12th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) District.

for additions, alterations, and site modifications including a kitchen addition, bedroom addition, and new detached garage in the front setback at the historic "Elizabeth F. Armstrong House" and a request to add the historic resource to the Carmel Register and creation of a design nonconformity (reduced composite side yard setback) located on Santa Fe Street 4 northwest of 6th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) District.

DS 23-152 (Velo, LLC)
David O'Neil, Manager
Northwest corner of Casanova Street and 12th Avenue
Block 13; Lot 11
APN: 010-273-012-000
Consideration of a Determination of Consistency with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for additions and site modifications at the historic "S. J. Miller House" located at the northwest corner of Casanova Street and 12th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) District.

HIGHWAY

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lanes and additional right and left turn lanes." The first alternative is expected to cost \$176,000,000.

Both alternatives would include the installation of five underground culverts "for wildlife to use to cross under the highway."

"Highway 68 intersects a critical wildlife habitat area connecting the coast of Monterey to the Sierra Azul range," a Caltrans report indicates. "As such, the vehicle traffic routinely comes in conflict with wildlife trying to cross the highway, resulting in roadkill, property damage and vehicle safety issues."

The plan also calls for making safety improvements along the road for bicyclists and pedestrians.

Caltrans said improvements are

necessary along Highway 68 — in part because traffic is already bad, but also because it's expected to get worse.

"The Highway 68 corridor experiences heavy congestion, causing travel delays, which mostly occur at signalized intersections," the agency observed. "Daily travel delays are predicted to nearly triple by the year 2045 with the existing intersection traffic controls and lane configurations."

The agency noted that several sections of the road experience accidents above the statewide average rate.

If all goes according to plan, the project's environmental impact report is expected to be completed by October 2024. Some land still needs to be acquired to make the project possible, and that's expected to be done by May 2027. The design of the work should be ready in June 2027, with construction starting in February 2028. The project is expected to be completed — subject to everything else coming together — by November 2030.

ROBBERY

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to Monterey P.D., where he was cited and released.

All three are Salinas residents.

On Tuesday, Greenfield P.D. arrested the fourth suspect, 20-year-old Celso Suarez Lopez, on behalf of Monterey P.D., Pinkas told The Pine Cone.

"Based on a photo that we broadcast out to the agencies, he was identified by his probation officer, so we went and did a probation search at his residence" on Nov. 6, he said. "We did find items that we were able to confirm he was wearing during the time of the robbery. He was not home, and the next day, Greenfield P.D. went and picked him up."

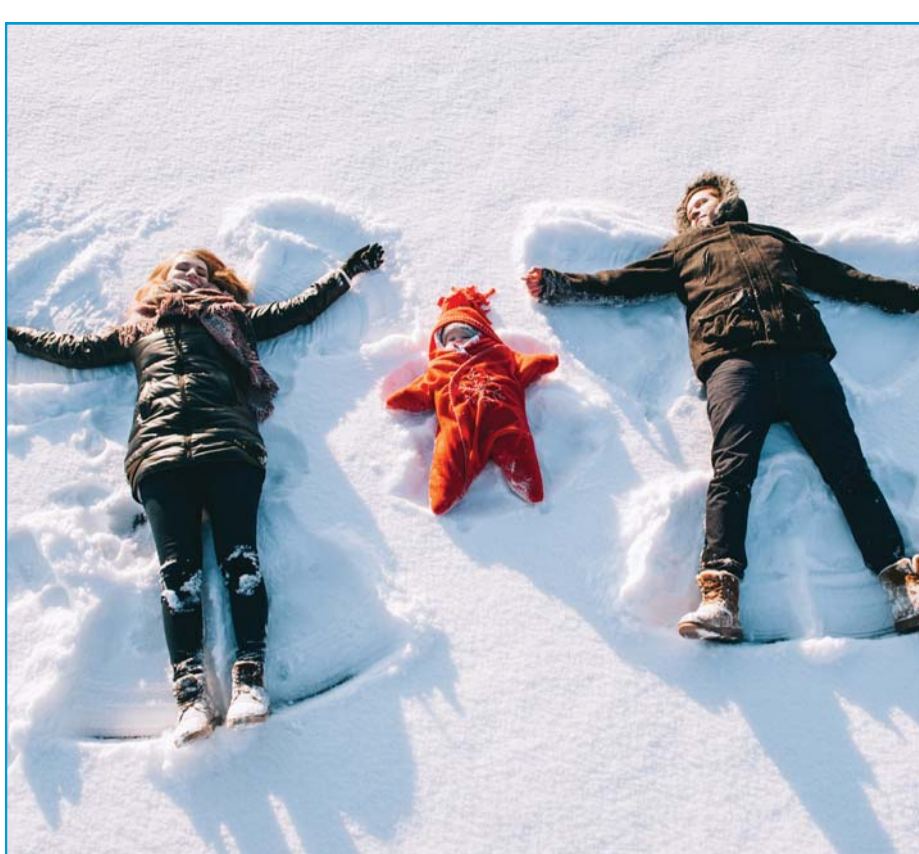
Lopez was booked into Monterey County Jail on charges of robbery, being a felon in possession of a firearm — since the gun was his — conspiracy, violation

of probation and resisting/obstructing an officer, all felonies. He was booked on \$45,000 bail and also remained in jail this week.

Hand in hand

Pinkas said assistance from neighboring law enforcement was critical in catching the suspects. "All of the law enforcement agencies in Monterey County work hand in hand to address crime, and in this case violent crime related to retail theft that has become rampant in our state," he said, acknowledging police departments in Pacific Grove, Seaside, Marina, Sand City, Del Rey Oaks and Cal State University Monterey Bay, as well as the California Highway Patrol and the Monterey County Sheriff's Office.

He also asked anyone with information that might be useful in investigating and prosecuting the case to contact detective Sabrina Perez at (831) 646-3811 or perez@monterey.org. To remain anonymous, call (831) 646-3840.



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RED CROSS

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When it was listed for sale a couple of months ago, the asking price was \$3.5 million, and Zoller said the foundation's board of directors met several times to discuss the potential purchase and terms, ultimately deciding to pull from investment accounts to buy the property.

"This is a long-term investment — an opportunity to grow into the future," she said, especially as the average age of members continues to decline. The organization provides low-cost housing and meals, activities and classes, medical equipment loans, excursions and other services to members aged 55 and older.

"We are seeing younger members joining," she said. "The age range that most members fit into in the past was the 80s; now it is the 70s."

With those shifts, she speculated that the best loved programs of the past may not be as popular in the future, and the foundation will have to further adapt.

As with all major decisions, including the purchase, the board will ultimately decide how the building is used, and various ideas are being tossed around. Zoller applied to have the city analyze the property for potential historical significance, a process that should take a couple of weeks and will "give us a better idea of what we can and cannot do with it."

"The building is very compartmentalized, so it is likely that we will remove walls to make larger spaces. We will need to consult with an architect first to find out what is possible," she continued. "Regardless of what it will eventually be, it is definitely additional space for the purpose of furthering our mission to help older adults in our community thrive."

The Red Cross will not be homeless,

Zoller added, since it will continue to occupy an office in the building.

"During any construction, they will be given an office space in our building across the street," she added. The foundation's

main location is on Lincoln at Eighth but spans to the southwest corner of Dolores and Eighth. It also owns the Norton Court, Trevvett Court and Haseltine Court senior residential complexes.

YOUTH

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for high school youth," but said they may "not necessarily be at the youth center," and may involve sporting events or other extracurricular activities.

As for weekends, Gho said the youth facility is open sometimes "for special

activities and events," but that the city is working to add more events on weekends, including "actively recruiting for staff" so it can be open Saturdays and Sundays.

The youth center has not hosted a middle school dance since February 2020, and it's unclear when the center last offered a "movie night."

In October, Gho said 83 kids attended programs or activities at the facility.

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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:



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.

The EMS Agency looks forward to hearing from you.





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ADUS

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really supportive of that," he said.

But he and other city officials do not want ADUs used to expand the square footage of single-family dwellings. The ordinance, however, won't go so far as to regulate or deed restrict their use.

A law signed by Gov. Gavin Newsom Oct. 14 also allows property owners to separately sell ADUs, but local governments have the discretion to opt in.

"We haven't had that policy conversation yet with the city council," Swanson said. "Ultimately, they would be the ones to make that decision. But at first blush, as planning director for the city, it's not a good idea, because it's basically subdividing an already small lot."

Busy week

Regardless, that discussion is farther down the road. In the meantime, Swanson hopes to hear a lot of useful feedback at the Nov. 15 workshop, which will be held in city hall on Monte Verde south of Ocean and via Zoom, starting at 4:30 p.m.

"We'll get feedback from the planning commission and the public, and then will go away and tighten up the ordinance," which will eventually be submitted for formal review and adoption, Swanson said. "We're asking at a high level, too, are we

missing some big policy stuff?"

For details on participating in the workshop and to read the full draft of the ordinance, visit ci.carmel.ca.us.

The ADU workshop on Wednesday is not the only public meeting next week.

The ad hoc committee on housing, led by council members Bobby Richards and Karen Ferlito, will gather Nov. 13 at 4 p.m. to go over the California Department of Housing and Community Development's review of the draft housing element the city submitted in August. The document addresses the state's mandate that the city pave the way for 349 new housing units during the next eight years. That meeting will be held in person and via Zoom.

Then on Tuesday, Nov. 14, the ad hoc committee on outdoor winetasting on private property — headed by Mayor Dave Potter and councilman Jeff Baron — will have its inaugural meeting in city hall at 4 p.m.

While the state allows tasting rooms to serve wine outside on private property, the city's code forbids it, but slack was provided during the pandemic, and several wineries have argued the practice should be allowed permanently. The committee will seek feedback from businesses and residents, but the meeting will only be held in person, with no opportunity to participate online.

And on Thursday, Nov. 16, the recently reinstated climate action committee will meet in council chambers at 3:30 p.m.

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LETTERS

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This registry will provide the city with a lot of personal and even private information from landlords and tenants at an estimated cost of \$400,000 per year. But where is it explained how this step — which a casual observer must see as a first step toward rent control — increases and/or improves availability or affordability of the housing stock in Monterey?

In law and economics, we ask, “Cui Bono?” — “Who benefits?” How will this registry help landlords? How will it help renters?

This adventure in municipal “governance” must be seen as a power grab. Is this exercise not a violation of private property rights? Landlords will pay the \$400,000 and may pass only half along to renters ... so \$200,00 from landlords is desirable and \$200,000 from renters is desirable ... because? This needs to be explained.

Is any attention to be paid to existing laws/rules/regulations/historical realities/geography/weather and the shape/

happens of the Peninsula and how each of those factors plays into the availability, i.e., the supply and demand, of housing? This seems to be an important enough issue, that I suggest the Monterey City Council table this regulation and submit it to a referendum as to why a registry is needed at all.

Given the attendance at the meetings, it is obvious that a significant controversy existed and exists. The council ought not be in the business of essentially telling the (assumed greedy) landlords to keep quiet and bend the knee.

Anonymous, Monterey

Burying sea lions

Dear Editor,

Thank you. The City of Carmel public works department sent two excellent employees down to our beach to bury the rotting seal and sea lion corpses, protecting humans and dogs. Thank you for stepping up and taking action when so many other agencies just say, “Call someone else.” Public works is and has always been an under-acknowledged department of our precious town.

Mark Bayne, Carmel

Askew should resign

Dear Editor,

Karin McQuillan was correct in calling out the antisemitism displayed by county supervisor Wendy Askew. Of course, Askew can't be so ignorant that she doesn't know that Jews do not undertake genocide, but simply defend their right to live in Israel and the United States.

Israel always issues warnings to civilians before any offensive attack, and it's no different after the barbaric attack on Israeli civilians by Hamas butchers. On the other hand, no civilized nation or its government uses its citizens as human shields and places its weapons, including rockets and ammunition, under schools and hospitals the way Hamas does.

It will probably take the next election to vote this Hamas apologist out of office. Perhaps Supervisor Askew would do us all a favor and resign following her willful display of antisemitism.

Carl S. Ingber, M.D., Pebble Beach

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DISNEY

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lamp, but the company wanted it to resemble an old oil lamp.

Disney sent Gillingham a 6-by-10-inch mock-up of the lamp. She took her time before getting started on building it.

“With the commission, I immediately felt the need to do something extra,” she recalled. “It took a couple months to do that, to fish a bit of extra dazzle out of my brain.”

Once she settled on a plan, she said it took three weeks to complete the lamp, which was “finished on Jan. 3 and shipped 10 days later.”

Concours' charity surpasses \$3 million

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE 2023 Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance generated more money for nonprofits than in any previous year, raising a record \$3,015,852, officials announced Thursday. The final tally was revealed and donations were distributed by chairman Sandra Button and Pebble Beach Company CEO David Stivers at a lunch Nov. 9 for representatives of the benefiting charities.

Button, who has overseen the event for nearly four decades, stressed the importance

Gillingham is thrilled to know that millions of visitors from all over the globe will catch a glimpse of her lamp. She can't imagine a place where she would rather see one of her creations displayed.

“I love Disneyland, and I love the treehouse,” she said. “It doesn't seem quite real to me yet. I need to climb up in the tree and see it and say, ‘I did that.’”

Besides Disneyland, Gillingham said her lamps adorn the homes of many notables, including actors Clint Eastwood and John Cleese, singers Johnny Rivers and Maria Muldaur, the late artist Salvador Dali, and Pine Cone editor and publisher Paul Miller. For more about Gillingham's shell lamps, visit shellshades.com.

of its participants and partners, including the collectors, the judges, the 1,000-plus volunteers and the sponsors.

Since its founding in 1950 as a casual show of modern cars to complement the Pebble Beach Road Races, the Concours has raised more than \$38 million for charity. The P.B. Co. Foundation distributes the funds each year to more than 95 local nonprofits, and the event and the foundation also support educational programs that cultivate future generations of car enthusiasts and specialists. Next year's Concours will be Aug. 18.

Supes honor veterans for service

By KELLY NIX

THE LONGTIME owner of a Carmel Rancho travel agency was one of several military veterans who were honored Tuesday by the Monterey County Board of Supervisors ahead of Veteran's Day.

In a resolution brought to the board by District 1 Supervisor Luis Alejo, the panel paid tribute to four men who served in the military. There are about 19,500 military vets in Monterey County, according to the document he read aloud.

“Throughout our nation's history, brave men and women in uniform have answered to the call of duty to defend and protect our freedom,” the supervisor said.

The resolution, Alejo explained, was intended to not only pay tribute to the men's service in the armed forces, but to their service to the community.

Among those recognized was Dan Presser, 80, of Monterey, who operates Four Winds Travel in the Carmel Rancho Center. Alejo said Presser is a Vietnam-era veteran who “enlisted in the United States Navy in 1969 until his separation in 1975 as a Navy journalist

and broadcaster.”

The travel agent served as commander of the American Legion Post 41 in Monterey, regularly attended meetings for the Fort Ord Veterans Cemetery before it opened in late 2016, and helped with the effort to restore a monument dedicated to Cmdr. John Drake Sloat, who in 1846 proclaimed in Monterey that California was part of the United States, the resolution said.

Presser, who was also a former referee for high school and college level football games, thanked the supervisors after Alejo presented him with a framed copy of the resolution.

Also recognized were U.S. Army veterans Sidney L. Williams, who had more than 27 years of service, Sam Daniels, who served for about 22 years and James Bogan, who had more than 21 years of service.

Remembrance set

American Legion Post 591, the California Central Coast Veterans Cemetery and the City of Seaside will hold a public Veterans Day Ceremony Nov. 11, 10:30 a.m. at the California Central Coast Veterans Cemetery, at 2900 Parker Flats Road in Seaside.

RONALD JOSEPH PARSONS

1949-2023

Long-time local resident and Spyglass Hill golf caddie Ronald Joseph Parsons, 74, of Carmel passed away peacefully in his sleep before dawn on October 29, 2023.

Ron was born in San Francisco on September 1, 1949, to Nelson Arthur (Pat) and Catherine Louise (Kay) Pasono, New York natives who came to California with Pat's Coast Guard career, stationed first in San Francisco before landing in Monterey. Shortly before his retirement from the Coast Guard, Pat changed the family's last name to Parsons, for reasons that remain somewhat of a mystery to this day. Devout Catholics, they chose to settle near Carmel Mission, and in 1956 they bought property in Mission Fields. Ron enjoyed 67 years there, leaving only briefly in his early 20s and returning home to care for his dad after his mother passed away.

Ron attended elementary school at the Mission and enjoyed lifelong friendships with many of his Junipero Serra classmates and Mission Fields neighbors. His father had a stroke when Ron was 10 and was very limited physically and verbally for the rest of his life; Ron basically grew up at friends' homes and playing baseball at what is now Larson Field. He transferred to Carmel Middle School during eighth grade and was a member of its first graduating class.

Ron was a natural athlete, left-handed, with terrific eye-hand coordination. He is remembered by many as an outstanding baseball player, particularly in his Little League days when he was nicknamed “Lefty” by Coach Jack Miller, and was known for his prowess on the mound and at first base. He continued to play after high school on many softball teams as well as a couple of memorable seasons on a 35-and-over traveling hardball team. Ron was also a fine horseshoe player and maintained a pit in the backyard next to a regulation-length pitching mound and backstop. He christened the backyard “Two-Lane Park” for its proximity to Highway 1, a two-lane road at the time. There he caught bullpens for many friends — including some professional players — and later helped his son hone his pitching craft for his own collegiate and professional baseball career.

Ron loved being a Carmel Padre. He played baseball and basketball through high school, and was a staunch supporter of CHS athletics his entire life. For many years, he followed and helped with the baseball team and cheered his friends on not only at CHS but, for several, in their further baseball careers. He especially treasured his friendship with John Lucido and missed him dearly after his untimely passing. He was also a longtime coach with Carmel Youth Baseball, including seven seasons coaching the Pine Inn Bronco team in the 1980s.

Although baseball was always his main sport, in the summer of 1984 Ron played volleyball with a Carmel league team on the sand courts at the base of Ocean Avenue. That October, he was invited by another group practicing there to join them when they moved indoors for the winter. He gave his number to a young woman named Mary, organizer of the weekly games, and by his second indoor game he and Mary sparked chemistry. The rest, as they say, is history. Ron and Mary were married on September 20, 1986, and recently celebrated 37 years of marriage, exactly half Ron's life. He was a wonderful, supportive, hardworking husband who treasured and loved his family. His greatest satisfaction in life was providing for his wife and children over the years.

When Joseph David (Joey) was born in 1989, Ron could not have been more thrilled and proud. Emma Lynn joined the family in 1992, and he was so tickled to have both a boy and a girl. He delighted in their academic and athletic progress over the years, coaching youth sports and attending all their sporting events. In his later years, he enjoyed rooting for the Virginia Tech Hokies (Joey's undergraduate alma mater) and the Alabama Crimson Tide (where Joey attended law school).

Ron had caddied off and on since high school, and just before Joey was born he had an opportunity to join the first official crew of caddies at Spyglass Hill Golf Course in Pebble Beach. He held the top seniority there for the rest of his life. In fact, he worked the day before he passed, and came home happy with another fine outing. He loved being outside, in nature, in that beautiful environment. Ron caddied for a wide variety of people, carrying the bags of many famous athletes, actors, politicians, and other celebrities. True to his nature, he got the biggest kick out of the sports figures.

Ron was a lifelong member of the Carmel Mission. His father was one of the original founders of the Billie Burke Council of the Knights of Columbus, and Ron became a member when Joey was born. He valued his friendships there and the extra connection to the Mission. During the pandemic, he appreciated being able to stream the 9 a.m. Mass and continued to enjoy those weekly services until his passing.

Many memorable dogs enriched Ron's life. His family owned English bulldogs in his childhood — each named Chief — and he always had a fond spot for that breed. Longtime locals may remember his German Shepherd, Tree, who used to stroll around Carmel in the early 1970s. When he met Mary, he had a beautiful black dog named BB, and his dear Morley Bob (a rescue at age 9 from Animal Friends Rescue Project) passed away just this past May at age 17. We like to think of Ron taking Morley for long walks now in Mission Trails Park, Palo Corona, and their beloved Carmel Beach. Mary fostered over a hundred kittens over the years, first with the SPCA and later with AFRP, and Ron was always great with the baby kitties. He was often found covered with kittens as he napped. The family also included numerous cats over the years, and Ron was a kind “cat daddy” to all. Most recently, he enjoyed taking his daughter's cat, Piola (who is harness-trained), for long daily walks around the property.

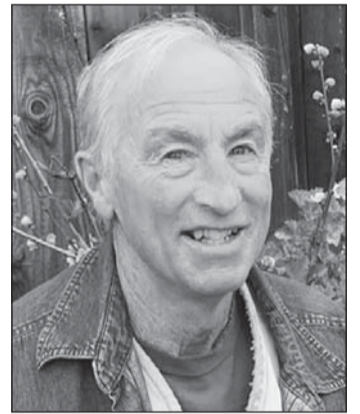
Ron had a great sense of humor and was constantly smiling. He truly found joy in the subtle parts of life, delighting in everything from a Carmel sunset to a well-hit ball in a youth baseball game. He had nicknames for every family pet, often tongue-in-cheek. A few years ago, he took the opportunity to visit Emma in Chile for two weeks, and it was an amazing, memorable trip. He treasured the experience and loved to talk about his awe-inspiring adventures with his daughter. They visited Patagonia, where they went horseback riding, hiked and boated to glaciers, and kayaked to the famed Marble Cathedral. He made a point to pet and visit with every stray dog he encountered, always greeting them with a joyful, “Hey, guys!” Ron's positivity was contagious and impacted everyone close to him.

Ron was preceded in death by his parents, Pat and Kay; his aunts and uncles, including his dear Aunt Julie and Uncle Ralph; and several good friends. He will be greatly missed by his wife Mary, son Joey, and daughter Emma; and by his sisters- and brothers-in-law, Kate Mathews, Margaret and Mark Eilrich, Diana Skiles, Lori and John Prieto; cousins Terri and Ed Dumas-Samson; and his nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephew.

We welcome all friends and family to a Celebration of Life for Ron at Carmel Beach (between the 13th Street and Santa Lucia stairs) on Sunday afternoon, November 12, from 2 p.m. to sunset. We will enjoy sharing stories of our unique and fun guy. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated at Carmel Mission Basilica on Tuesday, November 21, at 10 a.m., with a reception to follow in Crespi Hall. All are welcome.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Ron's memory would be appreciated. Organizations close to his heart include Animal Friends Rescue Project, Peace of Mind Dog Rescue, The Nature Conservancy, and Knights of Columbus Foundation at Carmel Mission.

For online condolences, please visit www.altavistamortuary.com



DONNA HART REID

August 10, 1946 ❖ October 10, 2023

Donna Hart Reid, a longtime resident of Carmel, passed away on October 10, 2023, after a long illness.

Donna was preceded in death by her parents, Archibald Hart and Charlotte Hodge Hart; brother, James Hart; and half-brother, Frank Hart.



Born in Monterey, Donna graduated from Santa Catalina and went to college at San Jose State University, earning her degree as an elementary teacher. She loved her students and worked hard on learning Spanish to better communicate with her bilingual students. She also provided a home for many of the stray cats she found at her Jack's Peak home.

Donna enjoyed traveling, visiting many U.S. and international destinations, often accompanied by her close friend of 40 years, Kent Emigh. During her later years she so enjoyed the Carmel

Foundation, the friends she made there, the Foundation lunches, and discussion groups. She was very outgoing and made friends everywhere. She showed interest in everyone and was keenly interested in their backgrounds. Donna always shared her jokes, reveled in laughter, even when life dealt her a difficult hand. Donna touched everyone she met from family, close and casual acquaintances and to those caretakers who assisted Donna in her final days.

She is survived by her ex-husband, Bill Reid of Oroville; her sister, Barrie and brother-in-law, Robert Froese; and niece, Pamela Froese, all of Montgomery, AL and nephew, Eric Froese of Denver, CO.

Donations can be made to Meals on Wheels on the Monterey Peninsula, mowmp.org.

CARROLL COATES

September 23, 1929 – October 21, 2023

Carroll Coates, one of the few remaining standards songwriters, passed away peacefully on October 21, 2023, at the age of 94. He was at his home in Carmel, California with his wife and daughter at his bedside.

Carroll was born September 23, 1929, at his parent's home in Uxbridge, near London, England.



He was named after his godfather, the famous American bandleader/songwriter, Carroll Gibbons, a close friend of his parents. Carroll's musical talents were evident while at Ellesmere College in England. In his late teens, he headed to London to pursue a musical career. He was hired to play piano at The White Room near Piccadilly Circus in London though "he was too young to be admitted as a patron." Julie Wilson, an American cabaret star, closed her set each night at the Embassy Club with Carroll's song "London By Night." When Frank Sinatra heard the song, he took it back to the States, recorded it and launched Carroll's 70-year music career.

Carroll's songs have been recorded by Frank Sinatra, Cleo Laine, Carmen McRae, Bobby Darin, Mel Torme, Natalie Cole, Chanticleer and many others over his long writing career. Carroll worked at 20th Century Fox writing lyrics for Lionel Newman's music that became movie title songs. He wrote the lyrics for Peter Nero's "Sunday in New York" music, earning them a 1965 Golden Globe nomination. After moving to California, he maintained a dizzying schedule as a record producer, establishing his own publishing company and writing a jazz news column. As artistic director he engaged a steady flow of jazz talents including Carmen McRae, Stan Getz, Dizzy Gillespie, Kenny Burrell, Mose Allison, Cal Tjader, and dozens more while continuing his writing.

Carroll said of his music "My songs are also my children ... I raise and release them with love into the world trusting they will give pleasure through the efforts of the many talented artists who chose to record them."

Carroll is survived by his wife, Carol Lee Coates of Carmel; his daughter, Anna Karelia Coates of Santa Fe, N.M.; his son, Michael Anthony Coates of Dana Point; and his sister-in-law, Jane Coates of Sutton Veny, Salisbury, England.

Donations may be sent to a charity of choice. A celebration of his life will occur in the coming months, the date to be determined.

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PETER NOSLER

Peter Nosler, co-founder of DPR Construction, passed away peacefully on November 3rd while traveling in Europe with his family. He was 83. Born in Portland to parents Lyle and Betty, Peter moved to California to pursue a doctorate in physics at UC Berkeley in the late 1960s. There he met his future wife, Kay Hanson, with whom he shares his only child, Zander. They settled in Menlo Park, where Peter climbed the ranks at Rudolph and Sletten, developing his expertise first as a builder and later as a construction manager.



In 1990, Peter, along with Doug Woods and Ron Davidowski, pooled their resources and founded DPR Construction with only \$750K. The three industry veterans, along with eight employees, set out to do something different in a sector traditionally resistant to change. Guided by a strong sense of purpose ('we exist to build great things') and four core values (integrity, enjoyment, uniqueness, ever forward), the "lettermen," as some liked to call them, set the foundation for what is now the nation's sixth largest construction company. Spanning three continents, DPR currently has over \$9 billion in annual revenue and more than 10,000 employees. Beyond the

scale and scope of their success, Peter was most proud of the culture that he and his teammates created at DPR, where innovation, collaboration, honesty, fairness, employee ownership, and fun remain the core tenets.

Always committed to bettering the world, Peter played an integral role in starting the DPR Foundation, a nonprofit that supports under-resourced youth, and DPR's Community Initiatives program, focused on building possibilities for disadvantaged communities. Every year, thousands of DPR employees volunteer their professional skills through this program, a testament to the infectious spirit of generosity Peter brought to everything he did.

He cultivated a passion for car racing beginning in midlife. Known on the circuit as the Silver Fox, he raced Formula Fords around the country, winning the SCCA San Francisco Regional Championships on four occasions, as well as serving as the Association's Regional Director for seven years.

Although he remained connected to DPR until the end of his life, Peter enthusiastically embraced his well-earned retirement. He traveled the world enjoying, studying, and collecting modern art and devoted countless hours to volunteer endeavors at the Monterey Bay Aquarium, the Chautauqua Institute, and his grandchildren's high school Sonoma Academy, where he lent his expertise to the construction planning of two major new buildings.

Widowed in 2010, Peter married the second great love of his life, fellow art enthusiast Julie Veitch, in 2012. Together, they shared a passion for friends, family, modern art, and travel.

Peter will be remembered for his exceptional kindness, unfaltering integrity, fierce enthusiasm, infinite curiosity, crazy socks, and above all, for his belief in our shared human capacity for greatness and love.

In addition to his beloved wife, Julie; he is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Zander and Tory Nosler; and his three grandchildren, of whom he was most proud: Clare, Silas, and Ryden.

For those wishing to honor Peter, please consider making a contribution to the Food Bank for Monterey County (foodbankformontereycounty.org) or the Chautauqua Institution's Climate Change Initiative (mail checks to Chautauqua Institution, PO Box 28, Chautauqua, NY 14722) or online at giving.chq.org/chq-fund/.

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MPC

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Salazar's "expertise and vision will support meaningful change and make MPC an even more diverse and inclusive institution."

Salazar — who has spent 22 years in higher education, according to the college — said he's honored to get the job and is

"committed to fostering a collaborative and inclusive college community where everyone feels a profound sense of belonging."

Salazar got his bachelor's degree in liberal studies from California State University Monterey Bay and his master's in Chicano studies from San Jose State University, MPC said.

An MPC spokeswoman told The Pine Cone Thursday afternoon that the college would offer more information about the

new IDEAA department next week.

In October 2021, MPC trustee Debbie Anthony, a Black woman who represents Pacific Grove and Del Monte Forest,

accused trustees Libby Downey and Loren Steck of racial bias, but Anthony would not provide context or evidence to support the claim nor respond to questions.

DONALD EUGENE UNDERWOOD

1934 ♦ 2023

Donald Eugene Underwood passed away at his home surrounded by his loving family on September 27, 2023. He was born to proud parents Oralee Underwood Hensley and James Amyx on January 1, 1934, in Knoxville, Tennessee where he was raised. He had been a resident of California for the last 50 years of his life.

Mr. Underwood was a musician (saxophone, trumpet, guitar), harp-builder and artist, among other many talents. He was an electrical engineer as well as the inventor/creator of Underwood Bass Pickup for Upright Bass which is still the most popular bridge mounted bass pickup.



He is survived by his loving wife, Serena Cabral Underwood; his children, Belinda Underwood, Melissa Underwood, Laura Underwood, Teresa Underwood and Monica Jackson; 13 grandchildren; and his brother, Pete Hensley. He was preceded in death by his son, James Underwood and sister, Mary Carlton.

A memorial Mass will be conducted at a later date.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Carroll Family of Ave Maria Memorial Chapel.

RUTH MARGARET FLYNN

Ruth Margaret Flynn was 105 years, 7 months young, when she died peacefully at home, with her daughter present, on November 2.

Ruth was born in Hubbard, Minnesota on March 30, 1918, to Catherine and Robert McDonald. In 1937, after high school, Ruth became a linotype operator for the Bovey Press. Her future husband met his future mother-in-law while selling Fuller Brushes and saw a picture of her beautiful daughter. He was smitten and determined to marry her. John Flynn swept Ruth off her feet, and they were married on February 17, 1941. It was 50 + below zero in MN but nothing would deter John. They moved to Fergus Falls, MN where their first child, a daughter, was born in 1942. In 1945 they moved to Eugene, Oregon, where Ruth enrolled in cosmetology school and earned her license.



Pictured at 105

In 1948 they moved to Los Angeles, CA and were blessed with two sons, Michael in 1949 and John Robert in 1950. Ruth returned to cosmetology school to obtain her California license before the California Board of Barbering and Cosmetology.



When they moved to Santa Barbara, CA Ruth worked as the secretary for the St. Vincent School, operated by the Daughters of Charity. She opened a wig shop on State Street. Over the years, into their 80s, John and Ruth took their 32' RV to Alaska five times. Ruth will always be remembered for her sense of style and fashion, her spirit of enthusiasm, fun, sense of humor, as a good listener, a woman of wisdom

and prayer. She had a phenomenal memory to her last day. She loved life, people, boating, skiing, bargain shopping and dancing.

In 1991, for their 50th wedding anniversary, John and Ruth moved to Carmel and made Pacific Meadows their final home. They were married 79 years when John passed away in 2020. Ruth is survived by her daughter, Sr. Teresita; and son, John Robert (Diane) Flynn; and nieces and nephews.

We thank the Hospice of the Central Coast nurses for their wonderful care of both John and Ruth. Because of Covid 19 there was no public celebration of life for John.

We will celebrate the lives of both John and Ruth at a Mass to begin at 8 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 11 at the Carmelite Monastery, 27601 Highway 1 Carmel, CA 93923.

CLAIRE GREENSTEIN

June 24, 1933 – October 28, 2023

Claire Greenstein passed away peacefully on October 28, 2023. Her children, Brian and Caroline, were by her side. Claire was predeceased by her parents, John and Tamara Shuman.



After a career teaching high school English in the Philadelphia school system, she took early retirement and moved to Carmel, California. There she pursued her passions in marine biology and community work over the next 20 years. She volunteered as a docent at Monterey Bay Aquarium and Sunset Center and volunteered at the Community Hospital of Monterey Peninsula (CHOMP), assisting families whose loved ones were admitted to ER. In her free time, she enjoyed traveling, snorkeling, music and gardening.

More recently, she moved to Haverford, Pa to be closer to family. She is survived by her children, daughter-in-law Joanne, and grandchildren Connor and Anna.

Claire will be remembered for her kindness, generosity and adventurous spirit. She will be deeply missed by her family and those whose lives she touched.

If you choose, donations may be sent to the Monterey Bay Aquarium or CHOMP.

Renee Katherine Grignard, Eaton

Renee Katherine Grignard Eaton died on October 22, 2023. She was 94 years old.

Mrs. Eaton was born on July 7, 1929, in New York City, the daughter of Emile Etienne Grignard and Katherine Higgins Grignard, and the granddaughter of Albert Marie Etienne Grignard of France and Marie Milada Mazac Czerny of Bohemia. Her grandparents emigrated from France to Canada, where Albert was an engineer for the 1860 World's Fair in Montreal, known as the Grand Exhibition of the Industrial Products of United Canada at the Crystal Palace, and later founded the Grignard Lithograph Company, whose works hang today in the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Renee's father, Emile, was born in Canada. The family later emigrated from Canada to New York City in or around 1905, and then to Massachusetts where Mrs. Eaton's father met and married her mother, Katherine, before settling in Queens, New York.

As a child, Mrs. Eaton contracted polio which developed into double scoliosis of the spine. Despite that devastating diagnosis, Mrs. Eaton did not allow polio to dictate her life. Instead, she dedicated herself to extensive and painful physical therapies and eventually became an athlete, avid skier, adventurer and world traveler. Her tenacity and pursuit of life in the face of daunting odds were an inspiration to all.

Mrs. Eaton attended St. Lawrence University. She began working at the Asia Society in New York City shortly after its organization in 1956. Mrs. Eaton traveled extensively in India and throughout Asia. In the early 1960s, Mrs. Eaton was instrumental in establishing a series of recordings of traditional Indian music for the United States market. In 1975, she moved to San Francisco and became the chairman of the California Historical Society.

Mrs. Eaton had always been interested in art and studied at the Museum of Modern Art. After moving to California, Mrs. Eaton dedicated herself to her artistic passion and became an artist of renown, winning awards for her artworks, most notably her Lascaux pieces, which provided a modern interpretation of the prehistoric drawings found in the Lascaux caves in France for which she received great acclaim.

In 1977, she married William D. Eaton, an accomplished Californian author, professor and arbitration lawyer. The couple were wed in Roslyn, New York, and resided in San Francisco, Mill Valley, and Carmel, California, as well as Jackson Hole, Wyoming. Mr. Eaton enthusiastically supported Mrs. Eaton's art career, traveling with her to displays of her works around the world, including New York, Paris, Beijing and Oslo. The couple pursued an active and adventurous life, skiing well into their 70s, hiking, wine collecting, cooking, and traveling around the world, among other things. They were married for 35 years until Mr. Eaton's death in 2012. Following her husband's death, Mrs. Eaton moved in 2014 to Glen Cove, New York, to be closer to her sister, brother and many nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Eaton was the sister of Eliane Grignard Stockell, Vivienne Grignard Pecau, and Emile Etienne Grignard, Jr., and the aunt of Albert Grignard Stockell, all of whom predeceased her. She is survived by eight nieces and nephews, Mercer Logan Stockell, Catherine Stockell Bannon, William Grignard Pecau, Guy Caroll Pecau, Marie Pecau McDonald, Vivienne Pecau Phelan, Annette Grignard and Emile Etienne Grignard III. Her fierce independence, pioneering spirit, and contributions to the arts and culture have been an inspiration to all who have known her. As Renee said of her art in 2001, following the attacks on the World Trade Center, "My abstract canvases speak to [the] dual existence of light and darkness — the inner world of the spirit replete with good intentions and the outer world sown with disharmony and chaos."

FOR BETTER OR WORSE, UNBEATEN PADRES ARE MOVING UP IN THE PLAYOFFS

THE LAST Carmel High football team to finish the regular season with a 10-0 record was the 2018 powerhouse, which made it all the way to the Central Coast Section's Division 5 championship game.

This year's Padres also are unblemished as they head to the playoffs, but their "reward" for excellence from

The winner will advance to the semifinals against No. 3 Sacred Heart Prep (6-4) or No. 6 Monterey (7-3), who play a Saturday afternoon game.

Carmel will bring an aggressive offense that averages 45.9 points per game, obliterating the opposition 459-219 en route to a first-place finish in the Mission South Division of the Pacific Coast Athletic League.

Soquel, by contrast, outscored its foes by a more humble 184-123 margin, but played six of its games in the PCAL's more rugged Gabilan Division.

The only mutual opponent — Everett Alvarez — was beaten 37-6 at Soquel, and 35-14 at home against the Padres.

Standouts for Soquel

Three of this year's Knights earned first-team all-division plaudits a year ago, including 6-foot-4, 218-pound linebacker Justice Grauel-Tebong (Most Valuable Defensive Player in the 2022 Mission Division and this year's leading tackler), wide receiver Jordan McCord (offensive co-MVP), defensive linemen Cade Peterson (6-1, 225) and Tanner Trowbridge (6-4, 210).

Sophomore quarterback Sam Whelan (64 percent completion average, 914 yards, 11 TDs, 3 interceptions) has found McCord with 26 passes for 437 yards (16.8 per catch) and 8 touchdowns.

The ground game is led by senior Cruz Ferris (419 yards, 3.8 per carry) and Whelan (189 yards, 10.5).

Soquel reached the Division 3 semifinals last year and the D-5 quarterfinals in 2021. The Padres reached the Division 5 finals in 2018, their last postseason appearance.

Padres' offense is vaunted

Carmel averages 405 yards per game, with a pass attack built around junior quarterback Hudson Rutherford (2,213 yards, 70 percent completion average, 25 TDs, 7 interceptions) and a strong corps of receivers: Ty Arnold (42 catches, 694 yards, 7 TDs), Simeon Brown (32-657, 8 TDs), James Maxon (22-418, 5 TDs), Matthew Maxon (9-218) and Justin LeMaster (14-171).

The ground game features LeMaster (112 carries, 603 yards, 7 TDs), Ashton Rees (52-351, 14 TDs) and Jacob Rodriguez (51-341, 4 TDs).

Rees, an explosive return man, leads the team in points

scored with 118.

Carmel's not-so-secret weapons are two enormous linemen, both NCAA Division I recruits. Senior Oscar Weigel (6-4, 270) has committed to play next year at UC San Diego. Junior Jackson Lloyd (6-6, 290), a 2022 all-division and all-county selection, is weighing multiple offers.

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

the CCS playoff committee was a promotion to the second-highest bracket in the section — Division 2 — where they're seeded seventh out of eight teams, based on strength-of-schedule considerations. Carmel is typically a Division 4 playoff team.

Quite a ... compliment?

Tough road for Padres

That No. 7 seed means Carmel might have played its final home game of 2023, a disappointment for local fans and a potentially bruising gauntlet for the Padres, who will travel Friday for a 7 p.m. kickoff at Soquel. The tradition-rich Knights (8-2) hold the No. 2 seed.



PHOTO/KERRY BELSER

The Padres, typically a CCS Division 4 playoff team, were rewarded for a 10-0 record with a No. 7 seed and a road game in the Division 2 playoff bracket.

If there's good news about the eight-team CCS bracket, it might be that West Catholic League bully Archbishop Mitty (5-5, but seeded No. 1 due to strength of schedule) is on the opposite side, along with No. 4 Live Oak (9-0), No. 5 Menlo (9-1) and No. 8 Christopher (9-1).

CCS roundup

Cross country: The Carmel Padres took second place in both the boys and girls divisions of the Central Coast Section Division 4 Championships a year ago at Crystal Springs.

The girls, who won the PCAL's Gabilan Division crown Oct. 30 at Palo Corona in Carmel Valley, are hoping to make another dash for the Division 4 gold on Saturday at Crystal Springs in Belmont, led by PCAL champ Ava Ghio, a junior, and her sophomore teammate, Lila Glazier, who was third at the league meet.

Carmel junior Mack Aldi was the individual medalist at PCALs (time: 16:55.6) — 25 seconds ahead of his nearest competitor — and freshman Jasper Bolante (17:53) was sixth (17:53).

Aldi — a third-place finisher at CCS in 2022 — expects

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to contend again, bringing a season-best clocking of 16:15 at Toro Park and a career-best of 16:10.3 at last year's state meet at Fresno's Woodward Park. But Aldi will have to catch defending sectional champ Eli Fitchen-Young, a sophomore at Santa Cruz who ran a 15:12 on Oct. 14 at Bellarmine's Terry Ward Invitational.

The starting gun for the D4 boys race fires at 11:10 a.m., with the girls following at 11:45.

Girls golf: Stevenson's Lucinda Wu and Nicole Iniakov shot 70s at the Halloween Day CCS championship tournament at Laguna Seca Golf Ranch, finishing one stroke behind Valley Christian's Varsha Ramachandaran, who carded a 3-under-par 69 to grab medalist honors.

Michelle Wang carded 80 to finish 24th for Stevenson in the 114-player field. She was followed by teammates Coco He (86, 45th place), Siobhan Ong (87, 44th), and Anjela Abianco (90, 60th).

Ava Martin was Carmel's best scorer (94, 69th).

Valley Christian won the sectional crown with a team score of 385, eight strokes better than the second-place Pirates, who qualified their entire team for the NorCal tournament, which was won Monday at Berkeley Country Club by Granite Bay. Stevenson placed seventh as a team.

Iniakov qualified for the CIF state championships for the third straight year, shooting 2 over par to tie for fifth.

Water polo: Stevenson's girls (21-7), seeded No. 1, will play for their second consecutive CCS Division II championship Saturday at Hollister High (time to be announced) after spanking Santa Cruz 12-5 in Tuesday's semifinal clash in Palo Alto. Junior goalie Anna Mitchell recorded 15 saves, and six Pirates scored goals in the match.

In the boys D2 bracket, fifth-seeded Stevenson (17-9) beat fourth-seeded Pioneer (21-5) 6-5 to earn a semifinal showdown on Wednesday against No. 1 Leland (19-7). The result of that game was not available at press time.

No. 6 Carmel (15-8) lost its opening-round game 15-7 to No. 3 Soquel (19-4).

Field hockey: Stevenson, Carmel, and Santa Catalina all qualified for CCS tournament, but all three were eliminated in their first game.

Stevenson (10-7) drew a bye into the second round, where the Pirates were defeated 2-0 by Leigh. Carmel lost its first-round game 2-1 to Fremont, and Catalina dropped an opening round heartbreaker to Presentation, playing to a 1-1 tie in regulation time, then losing a shootout 1-0 in the second sudden-death overtime period.

Girls volleyball: Top-seeded Carmel (20-5) was eliminated by Notre Dame Belmont (16-10) 25-21, 24-26, 22-25, 25-20, 15-11 in the semifinal round of the CCS Division 4 bracket, despite 15 kills by Caroline Byrne, and 10 by Riley Imamura, who combined for 19 digs. Zealyn Roth was credited with 14 assists. The Padres

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Leading rusher Justin LeMaster has 603 yards on the ground plus 171 on 14 receptions in Carmel's pass-oriented attack.

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Editorial

Once and for all

ALMOST 25 years ago, there was a colossal battle in town over street numbers and home mail delivery, including public hearings, protests, a hotly contested election and threats of a class-action lawsuit, and finally concluding with the city setting up a courier service to deliver mail to anybody who couldn't (or wouldn't) pick it up at the post office, and the offer of free P.O. boxes to residents.

All the trouble and expense was instigated by a loud-mouthed individual named Joe Steinfeld who moved to town, decided he didn't like the city's custom of not having house numbers or home mail delivery, and proceeded to raise holy hell about what he saw as a gross injustice.

Never mind what the majority of Carmel residents thought, or how much they treasured the town's quaint traditions — Steinfeld was so sure he was right, and so convinced of his own moral superiority, that he simply would not shut up until he got his way.

He was the kind of person who makes "pariah" a synonym for "activist." And then, as soon as the controversy was finished and Steinfeld got most of what he wanted, he left town and moved to Mexico. The man lived here only two years — and he caused trouble almost the entire time.

Fifteen years later, another resident picked up his mantle, demanding that the city number its houses and have the post office start delivering the mail. Not having either, the resident claimed, was "discriminatory, usurious, monopolistic and extortion." Furthermore, he said, everyone had a "right" to home mail delivery.

However, Steinfeld and his descendant were wrong. There is no "right" to home mail delivery, or to mail delivery at all, for that matter. During the Steinfeld era, the post office pointed out that at least 4,000 towns in the United States do not have home mail delivery, including about 200 in California, and the number is growing. At the same time, thanks to the ubiquity of the internet and companies like UPS and FedEx, the role of U.S. Mail in everyday life has become greatly diminished. For many of us, the only thing that shows up in our mailboxes is junk — and the occasional jury summons.

Meanwhile, the unique standing of Carmel in an increasingly homogeneous world has grown. Something as fundamental to that uniqueness as the lack of home mail delivery should be changed only if a majority of its citizens agree. Certainly, the opinions of a single individual, or even a small group, are not enough reason to change the town one iota, no matter how vehemently those objections are stated. However, the opposite is also true: There should be house numbers and home mail delivery if that's what most of the voters of Carmel want. Anti-house-number zealots should also be subject to majority rule.

During this week's city council debate on the subject, we found ourselves wishing the whole thing could be settled once and for all. The way to do that is with a vote of the people. Should Carmel's houses be numbered? Should they have home mail delivery? Please put it on the next ballot and be done with it.

BEST of BATES



"Lady, we believe you're Clint Eastwood's cousin. But you still have to pay."

Letters to the Editor

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Preserving historic homes

Dear Editor,

Carmel has a perfectly good Mills Act policy and can limit income loss by limiting the amount of Mills Act contracts. It should also use strict criteria to ensure the quality of the applicants. The city needs to focus on monitoring the contracts instead of trying to rethink how the applicants get accepted. Any other criteria for accepting applicants besides quality defeat the purposes of the act and are very likely to become obsolete.

Polly Osborne, Carmel

Cal Am buyout a 'public necessity'

Dear Editor,

The recent Monterey Peninsula Water Management District public hearing on the Cal Am buyout was a resounding success. The public spoke 2-to-1 in favor of the buyout and the board gave well-thought-out reasons to proceed with eminent domain. It provided 83 "findings with evidence" confirming the substantial reasons for the eminent domain action, based on Measure J's voter mandate and expert-verified feasibility.

Cal Am has been acquiring out-of-the-area water systems at hugely inflated prices and adding those costs to the Peninsula's extremely high water rates. Cal Am receives profit on these newly purchased capital assets. In addition, Cal Am adds conservation surcharges for water not sold, miscellaneous "charitable" and advertising costs, capital costs, infrastructure costs, etc. For example, Cal Am charged Peninsula ratepayers for its Hawaii location's operating costs. Water costs are more than 50 percent higher for the Monterey Peninsula than for other California water districts.

Cal Am's unaffordable, unfair rates are a burden for many Peninsula customers. Its continued focus on increasing profits for American Water shareholders at the expense of Peninsula customers has reached an unsustainable level.

The only common-sense, critical-thinking conclusion is that the MPWMD Resolution of Necessity action to buyout Cal Am is a public necessity!

We applaud MPWMD for honoring and acting on behalf of, "We the People." Chapeaux! Bravissimo!

Margaret-Anne Coppernoll, Marina

Rental registry

Dear Editor,

So having a City of Monterey rental registry will do what? Monterey Mayor Tyller Williamson stated that "housing is a human right." The city council seems to have agreed, since it voted 4-1 to support a rental registry. Why?

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NEW BOOK FILLS IN SOME OLD BLANKS IN MONTEREY'S HISTORY

NEW LIGHT can now be shed on what has always seemed like an obscure period of Monterey history, the years from 1850 to 1880.

Much has been written about the Spanish and Mexican colonial era, 1770-1846, and the years from the initial U.S. occupation through statehood 1846-1850. But once the constitutional convention did its work at Colton Hall in 1849, the happenings in Monterey have been only loosely recalled in excerpts here and there. After the railroad came with its Hotel Del Monte in 1880, the old capital city again became a hub of documented activity.

But soon after California's constitutional convention in 1849, Monterey

developed into an eye-opening look into life on the Peninsula in the 1870s. It reveals how names we may hear in passing, like Jules Simoneau (1820-1908), fit into the tableau of life in those years. The writers were aided by a grant from the Old Monterey Foundation and local research, especially by Lindy Perez, a knowledgeable and longtime docent at Stevenson House, who scoured microfilmed newspapers for documentation, and Terry Trotter, California art historian and owner of Trotter Galleries, who also provides a foreword for the book.

Richly illustrated with an array of paintings and sketches by Tavernier and others, the book teaches us that Tavernier was actually a British subject who was born and raised in France. His father was from Devonshire and his parents returned there while he studied under French masters and exhibited in the

Salon de Paris, impressing many with his mastery of detailed historical events. Yet he also displayed greatness in the pastoral setting of the Forest Fontainebleau in the late 1860s as plein air painting came into vogue.

No FedEx

Then, in the 1870s, Tavernier came to America and joined former classmate Paul Frenzeny on a major assignment for Harper's Weekly. Together, over several months, they crossed the American frontier and "from April 12, 1873, to Jan. 15, 1876, their hundred sketches of the American frontier appeared week after week." As there was no FedEx in that day, publication lagged their journey. In 1874, they arrived in San Francisco, where Tavernier was befriended by Daniel O'Connell (1849-1899).

O'Connell was a poet, artist, writer and, perhaps most significantly, co-founder of

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History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

seems to have fallen into a deep sleep. By the time California was accepted as the 31st state on Sept. 9, 1850, the capital had moved from Monterey to San Jose.

Most students of Monterey history know that while people left Monterey for the gold mines, David Jacks arrived in January 1850 and within a decade owned most of the land around Monterey. He added more in the decade to follow. But what about life on the Monterey Peninsula? We can turn to Robert Louis Stevenson's "The Old Pacific Capital," first published in Nov. 1880, for a glimpse from his three-month courtship with Fanny Osbourne in late 1879.

Tableau of life

We know that the Methodists started a church retreat in Pacific Grove in 1875, but they were mere summer visitors, and the retreat was struggling to survive until the railroad company took over development. Thanks to historian Sandy Lydon's monumental "Chinese Gold" (1985), we have a record of the Chinese fishing villages that developed along the Peninsula during the otherwise quiet 30 years.

And now we have a well-researched look into life on the Peninsula in the 1870s, with a decidedly French flavor. The newly published "Barbizon by-the Pacific," by Claudine Chalmers and Guy de Rougemont — both natives of France — provides this new light on the Peninsula, along with the similarities between Del Monte Forest and the Forest Fontainebleau in the Barbizon region of France found by French artist Jules Tavernier (1844-1889).

With more than a decade of effort, what may have begun as a story about Tavernier



Standing in the courtyard of the old jail at Monterey in 1874 are tavern owner Jules Simoneau and artist Jules Tavernier. Simoneau used the courtyard to raise chickens that supplied meat and eggs for patrons of his tavern.

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

When it came to instruction, less turned out to be more

THE PROFESSOR who presided over a painting class that Jerry Van Megert took at Willamette University in the early 1960s was a man of very few words and surprisingly sparse instruction.

"He was a very talented artist, and he had the job because of his talent," Van Megert remembered of Carl Hall (1921-1996), still well known throughout the Pacific Northwest for his seascapes, coastal landscapes and nudes. "He was a quiet

on hand to very copies of his 1999 book, "Pebble Beachscapes."

The event will coincide with the Second Saturday Artwalk, a walking tour of Carmel's independent galleries.

"It took me a while to get to know this area, but the Monterey Peninsula is like no other place," he said. "Big Sur is just fabulous, and I recently finished a large painting of a beautiful area of Carmel Valley. This is a very artistic part of the world, with unbelievable scenes wherever you go."

As a new Peninsula resident, Van Megert shared a small apartment with a female friend from Europe when he first arrived. The

Carmel Art Association — the first gallery he approached — juried him into membership immediately, and his work sold well enough to facilitate full-time devotion to the easel. A year later, he was able to rent a Pebble Beach cottage with a bathroom, kitchen and two spacious rooms, one of which had large, ocean-view windows. That property, where he lived for 30 years, was owned and managed by a company that began sending Van Megert all over the United States to create commissioned paintings.

A memorable suitor

His reputation grew. "When people found out I was portrait painter, they kept me busy. Sometimes they'd knock on the door of my studio at the cottage," he said.

"I was just finishing my breakfast early one Sunday morning when I heard somebody knocking on the back door. When I opened it, Doris Day was standing there," Van Megert remembered. "She said, 'I understand you paint, and I'm interested in what you're doing.' And I said, 'Sure, c'mon in!'"

Although he's maintained a continuous membership with the Carmel Art Association, Van Megert began showing his art almost exclusively in a Pebble Beach gallery, where his work sold

exceptionally well for 20 years. Private commissions also became bountiful and he devoted much of his career to painting the iconic golf courses in Del Monte Forest, the famous Lone Cypress, and other stunning Pebble Beach scenery. Well-to-do residents and visitors hired him to paint family portraits.

Van Megert has also experimented with multiple painting styles. "I don't like to attach myself to any one style, or any one thing. I don't enjoy painting the same types of things over and over," he said. "So I've done a bit of everything, even abstract paintings. In fact, I just sold an abstract," he added.

London and Paris

As a young man, Van Megert began making yearly trips to Europe, where his love for art

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Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

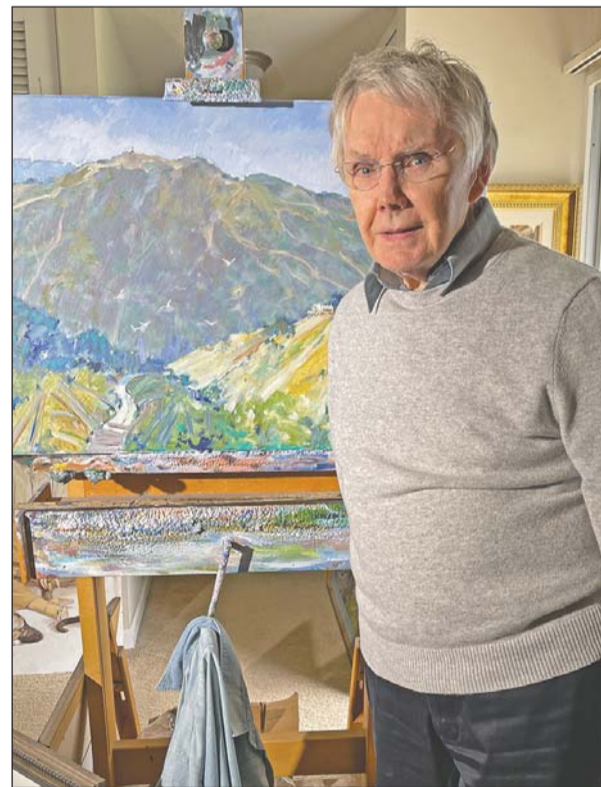
man, and he wasn't very friendly. If you wanted to know something, you had to ask him. He'd usually walk into the classroom, give us an assignment, then disappear into the next room and work on whatever he wanted to do that day."

Van Megert, who began painting at age 6, said he admired Hall, a regional legend, but left Willamette after just a year-and-a-half with only rudimentary painting knowledge and one memorable piece of advice from the instructor: "You'll need to produce at least 100 paintings before you can consider yourself a true professional," the artist told his student, who quickly decided that his hometown — Salem, Oregon — was no place to pursue his passion.

He accepted a friend's invitation to visit Carmel, where he discovered the real-life artists' wonderland that would become his home forevermore.

CAA retrospective

At 85, Van Megert has painted thousands of portraits, landscapes and seascapes, some of which will be showcased through Dec. 4 in a retrospective at the Carmel Art Association, where he's been a member for nearly five decades. CAA will honor his legacy Nov. 11 with a reception from 4 to 7 p.m., when the artist will be



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A large body of artwork by Jerry Van Megert, 85, a longstanding member of the Carmel Art Association, will be featured in the group's gallery through Dec. 4.



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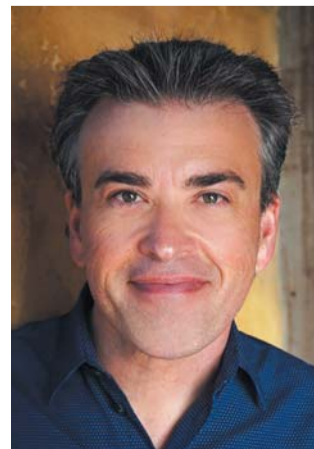
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San Francisco's Bohemian Club in 1872. The two definitely shared the Bohemian spirit and Tavernier became a member. O'Connell had for a time lived in Monterey, where he married the daughter of California Sen. Delos R. Ashley, a long-time attorney for David Jacks. O'Connell's 1873 poem, "Monterey," is etched into the tall Berthold monument that resides at Friendly Plaza near Colton Hall.

Seeing is believing

Told by O'Connell of the beauty of the Monterey area, Tavernier and Frenzy had to see it for themselves. In September 1874, they stepped off the steamer Constantine after it arrived in Monterey's harbor. There was no 17 Mile Drive then,

nor even a church retreat in Pacific Grove, as they quietly explored the wooded headlands of the Monterey Peninsula. During their months-long visit, Tavernier also discovered the tavern operated by fellow Frenchman Jules Simoneau. They became fast friends.

The new book has more background on Simoneau and his tavern than I have ever seen, perhaps more than Simoneau's own daughter knew. For me, that alone was worth the read.

Simoneau's tavern adjoined the old jailhouse in the plaza at the southern end of Alvarado Street where Munras and Pearl come together. Incidentally, the plaza, with state offices and jail, was laid out in the 1830s by Gov. Agustin Zamorano, who has been featured in my recent columns.

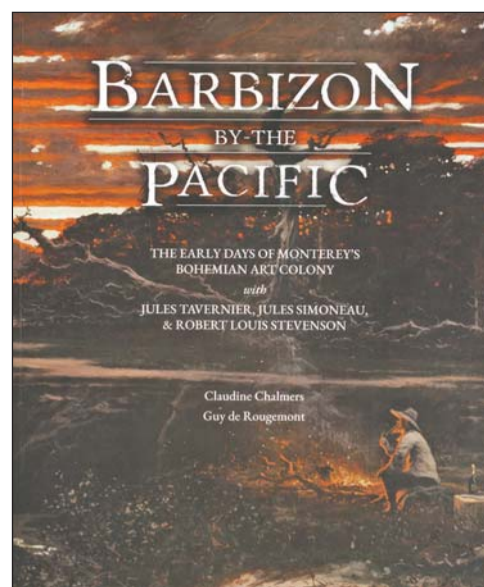
Tavernier returned to Monterey in fall 1875, in time for the San Carlos Day festivities at the old Mission. This time, he traveled with his new friend Walter Paris,

a British artist. They briefly set up a studio within the Girardin Hotel (which we now call Stevenson House), and in November leased space on Alvarado Street, where they opened the first dedicated artist studio in Monterey. Tavernier's protégées included Charles Rollo Peters, who, on Tavernier's advice, went to France to study before returning to Monterey.

Love and marriage

If I successfully hooked you on the history, I encourage you to get the book in which you will also learn of Tavernier's interaction with Stevenson, who though Scottish, had familiarity with the Barbizon region. Stevenson met Fanny Osborne in France before coming halfway around the world to rescue her from a troubled marriage. You will learn not only of their courtship, but of Tavernier's 1877 marriage, the marriage of Fanny's daughter to Monterey artist Joe Strong, and the marriage of Fanny's sister, Nellie, to Adolfo Sanchez. The last couple raised a son, Louis, in Monterey — a child called out by Stevenson as his namesake in the final entry in his "A Child's Garden of Verses," a favorite book of my childhood.

Even better, you can meet one of the authors Nov. 16 at 6 p.m., when the Old Monterey Foundation hosts a book talk with Claudine Chalmers at the MIIS Irvine



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The cover of the new book, "Barbizon by-the Pacific," features an 1876 painting by Jules Tavernier — "Artist's Reverie, Dreams of Twilight."

Auditorium, 499 Pierce St. in Monterey. She will share her journey of discovery into this little-known history of Monterey's past.

Chalmers will speak again at the Monterey Public Library, 625 Pacific St., Nov. 18 at 2 pm. That event is co-sponsored by the library and the Stevenson Club in celebration of Stevenson's "Un-Birthday."



The wedding portraits of artist Jules Tavernier and Lizzie Fulton, who met in Monterey in 1876, and married in San Francisco in February 1877.

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deepened.

"I had never done any traveling, and wanted to see other parts of the world. My first trip was to London, where I rented myself an apartment where I could paint," he said. "The second year, I went to Paris, fell in the love with the place, and just kept going back every year after that. It felt like my second home.

"My apartment there was just a half-block from the Louvre. I'd go there every day to study all the painting. It was a thrill to see those works hanging on the wall in front of me, rather than just looking at them in books and magazines."

Despite living in a mecca for plein-air artists, painting outdoors was never an interest. Van Megert has spent his entire art career as a studio painter.

"I was always too self-conscious to paint outside, where people might be standing around, watching me.

Having an audience as I work has never appealed to me," he explained. "And neither did the wind, the rain, the fog, the bugs ... all of those other things that come with painting outdoors."

'I'm still very thrilled'

The month-long show at Carmel Art Association will be the first in more than 20 years at that venue for Van Megert, who continues to paint every day in his apartment at The Park Lane in Monterey, where he's lived for two years.

"I thank God every day for the wonderful life I've been able to live, and for whatever talent I have," he said of his 60-plus years at the easel. "At 85, I'm still very thrilled whenever I create something that I'm pleased with, and honored whenever one of my paintings sells. That's always a rewarding feeling."

Images of his art and additional information can be found online at vanmegert.com, or on the Carmel Art Association website at carmelart.org.

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posted a 26-24, 25-17, 25-23 quarterfinal victory over Har-ker on Oct. 31, with Byrne, Imamura, and Lizzie Descalzi taming for 30 kills. ND-Belmont earned its semifinal berth by eliminating Stevenson (21-5) by a 25-17, 25-8, 25-16 score. The Pirates won their opener over Design Tech (12-11) 25-22, 25-14, 25-13.

Girls team tennis: Santa Catalina (9-6) advanced to the second round of the CCS team tournament by defeating Aptos (8-3) 4-3 on Monday, getting victories from Ally Yoshiyama (No. 3 singles), and the doubles tandems of Gaby Salazar and Averie Nguyen, Maya Touché and Sofia Gutierrez, and Ava Kruger and Chloe Thompson.

The Cougars were eliminated from the tournament on Tuesday by Evergreen Valley, 5-2.

Carmel (15-4) was eliminated with a 7-0 loss to Lynbrook in its opener. Stevenson (15-4) was beaten 5-2 in the first round by Leigh.



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His warrior spirit did not yield to violence, but his path was altered

A NONDESCRIPT picture frame hides high on a wall of the basement office in Phil Butler's Monterey home, cloistered above a bookcase near a corner of the room. If you didn't know where to look, you probably wouldn't notice it.

Behind glass are some of the medals the retired U.S. Navy combat pilot received for his service in Vietnam

from 1965 to 1972 — eight years, almost all as a prisoner of war.

Butler's honors include:

- Two Silver Stars (the third-highest military combat medal) for "conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while interned as a prisoner of war,"

- a Bronze Star (fourth highest) presented for "heroic achievement or meritorious service in a combat zone,"

- a Purple Heart with a gold star (indicating two awards), presented to service members wounded or killed as a result of enemy action, and

- two Legions of Merit for "exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services and achievements."

At 85, he feels humbled by those decorations, but Butler hasn't allowed his history to define him. The warrior is still in him, he said, but the wars he's fought and passions he's developed since leaving the military have been very different.

'I felt duty-bound'

For starters, Butler has morphed from gung-ho combat veteran to unabashed peacenik.

"I didn't want to go to Vietnam, but after graduating from the U.S. Naval Academy, I think I felt duty-bound to go wherever they wanted me to go and do whatever I was assigned to do," he said. "I didn't see the Vietnamese as innocent people at the time — they were all 'the enemy' to me when I was in the airplane."



COURTESY/PHIL BUTLER

Phil Butler with his wife of 48 years, Barbara Baldock. He said she was already a "peacenik" when they met.

By 1990 — nine years after retiring from the Navy as a captain — Butler had dramatically reversed course. He co-founded the Monterey County chapter of Veterans for Peace, serving as the organization's first president, a role he has reprised several times. From 1997 to 2000, he served as a board member and chair of National Veterans for Peace, and he's been associated with the Peace Coalition of Monterey County.

"I stopped going to POW reunions, in part because I got tired of all the nasty comments I got from other veterans for being a peace activist and a Democrat," he said. "If somebody said something, I wasn't afraid to take them on, but I finally decided, 'Why bother, when I can be around nice people back home on the Monterey Peninsula?'"

During the 2008 presidential campaign, Butler supported Barack Obama and opposed the candidacy of fellow POW John McCain. In a 2009 interview, he said

Great Lives

By DENNIS TAYLOR

McCain wasn't the sort of man he wanted to see "with his finger near the red button."

His wife, Barbara Baldock (a peace activist before she met Butler), has crusaded at his side throughout their 44-year marriage, sharing his affinity for human rights, environmental issues and animal welfare causes. They've volunteered together with the Coalition of Homeless Services Providers and the Monterey County AIDS Project. Butler served as a board member and president of that organization, and the couple has marched in San Francisco's Pride Parade.

He has also been a board member with the World Affairs Council of Monterey and the Community Advisory Committee for the California Department of Corrections. He worked as an ombudsman for long-term care, and as commissioner and chair of the Community Action Council in Monterey County.

Honored for activism

Among his greatest personal treasures is the human rights award he received in 2019 from the Monterey Bay Chapter of the United Nations Association at an event sponsored by the Baha'i Faith Community.

"I value that plaque more than any Silver Star, Bronze Star or Purple Heart I ever received," said Butler, who proudly displays the award on a wall just outside his living room.

Butler and Baldock have volunteered with the Monterey Bay Aquarium and as docents for 34 years at Point Lobos. He is a past board member of the Big Sur Land Trust, and for the past seven years, the couple has volunteered at SPCA Monterey County.

For Butler, those decades of community service represent his incremental recovery from the trauma he endured.

A fateful mission

As an Oklahoma native, his conservative Bible Belt upbringing and his training at the Naval Academy felt like a good fit in 1965. He flew his single-seat A-4 Skyhawk attack aircraft on bombing missions from the Gulf of Tonkin into North Vietnam, launching from the aircraft carrier, USS Midway.

On his 13th mission, on April 20, 1965, he flew through the darkness over his target, a convoy of North Vietnamese supply trucks.

An experimental fuse detonated a 250-pound bomb — still attached to his plane — in midflight. The explosion ripped off both wings, and the Skyhawk immediately tumbled into a nose dive, slamming Butler's head into the canopy.

He ejected at 600 mph, suffering compression fractures in his spine as the seat of the aircraft punched him out of the plane. His parachute deployed automatically, but it either didn't fully open, or its silk was partially shredded

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from the force of the cold wind. As he descended, Butler ripped through a canopy of trees at least 100 feet tall, he estimated. His chute became entangled in them as he fell, slowing his plunge and saving his life.

As he cut himself free of the chute, Butler could see the headlights of the trucks he had attempted to bomb, and the frantic activity of people who were searching for him.

'Three Lives of a Warrior'

Thus began the eight-year nightmare Butler detailed in his exquisitely written 500-page autobiography, "Three Lives of a Warrior" (2010, Camelot Press), which chronicles his 70-mile, four-day trudge to avoid capture (two days without food or water), and the 2,855 days he spent as a POW (the eighth-longest tenure in that war) — mostly at the infamous "Hanoi Hilton."

He and his fellow captives were relentlessly tortured and developed coping techniques to endure the ordeal, including prison humor, the innovative "tap code" Butler and others taught fellow inmates so they could communicate by rapping on the walls, and their shared personal code of honor.

"You took as much torture as you could and then returned with honor," said Butler, who stands 6-foot-2 but weighed 100 pounds when he was freed. "It was about looking in the mirror and liking the guy you were looking at."

His book further describes returning home in 1973 to a country he didn't recognize, reuniting with his first wife — who shook his hand on the tarmac — and meeting the 8-year-old daughter born after he was deployed. It also details how he relived his POW horrors through years of debriefing and has battled a lifetime of posttraumatic stress disorder.

And he wrote about the people and epiphanies that transformed him into the person he has become.

Butler enrolled in graduate school when he returned, earning a Ph.D. in social psychology, which led him to Monterey in 1979 for a teaching job at the Naval Postgraduate School. He has lectured internationally and written extensively about war and peace, torture and prisoner treatment, politics, AIDS awareness, his personal journey from "nationalist" to "humanist," and multiple other subjects.

Though he occasionally experiences PTSD, Butler's trials and tribulations made him stronger, he said. He has also conquered the intense anger he felt toward his captors.

"Phil has worked through those issues over time, and he's made friends with many Vietnamese people," said Baldock, who met her future husband at a POW reunion in 1978 — the fifth anniversary of his release. She attended that event with her brother, Chuck, another former POW-turned-peace-activist who became Butler's best friend.

Happy and active

Asked whether he has forgiven the most ruthless of his torturers, a North Vietnamese officer POWs nicknamed "The Rabbit," Butler paused.

"I feel like it's too bad he can't see me now — how happy and successful I've become," he said. "He'd probably be pretty pissed off about that."

Memories of Vietnam remain vivid for Butler, but they no longer haunt his dreams.

"A bad day for me is a day when Barbara isn't feeling well," he said of his mostly vibrant 78-year-old life partner. "Our job, at this age, is to worry about each other."

Butler and Baldock remain happy and active, and — mission accomplished — he feels proud of the reflection he sees in the mirror.

"Three Lives of a Warrior" is available online from amazon.com and other outlets.

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PENINSULA BUSINESSES

Building a real estate business is hard — and the market doesn't care who you are

By ELAINE HESSER

IT WAS a sunny day in Santa Barbara, but not a happy one for realtor Ryan Melcher, now a top producer with Sotheby's. It was 2010, and he had just left his fifth rental that year. He said he was moving his stuff to a new spot — "the worst unit" in an apartment complex several miles away — on foot, because he didn't have a car.

"I was walking with five pieces of luggage on wheels. It was 103 degrees, I had 3 1/2 miles to go, and I was looking up at this steep hill in front of me," he said. "I was steps away from homelessness after coming from a family with more than just about anyone on the Monterey Peninsula. This was my low point. No one was going to come and save me. I always thought somebody would. Then I realized that if I didn't fix this, this was it."

How Melcher — Doris Day's only grandson and the son of Terry Melcher, who for many years was a high-powered songwriter and producer working with the likes of the Byrds and the Beach Boys — came to that low point in Santa Barbara is a story that's made the rounds of tabloids and celebrity gossip websites.

Briefly, he said his parents divorced when he was in eighth grade, and his father's new wife was successful in cutting him off from his family and inheritance, leaving him with nothing.

"Dad stopped talking to me, and his new wife stoked that flame. From eighth grade, the only thing I knew was court," Melcher said. Meanwhile, because of legal battles and the rift in the family, he also lost touch with his grandmother.

Closed doors

The Palma High School graduate tried college, but dropped out after a semester. "I was too screwed up at the time. It took me until I was in my 30s to figure myself out." He found work, but after a time, he realized he wanted more. "I didn't want a good life. I wanted an amazing life," he recalled.



Realtor Ryan Melcher said that this charming cottage-style spec home he sold in 2019 "transformed his business."

In 2009, as the economy tanked and people everywhere were losing jobs, Melcher went to Los Angeles, determined to leave his past behind, push his own limits, and find success. Although his father died in 2004, Melcher thought Terry's old friends might help him start a career in show business. "I would have taken a job in the mailroom," he remembered. "I would have taken a job getting

coffee for other people for free, just to get in the door." Instead, he found dead ends. He said that "about half" of the people he contacted told him they'd just lost their own job.

"Everyone felt the same squeeze" of the tightening

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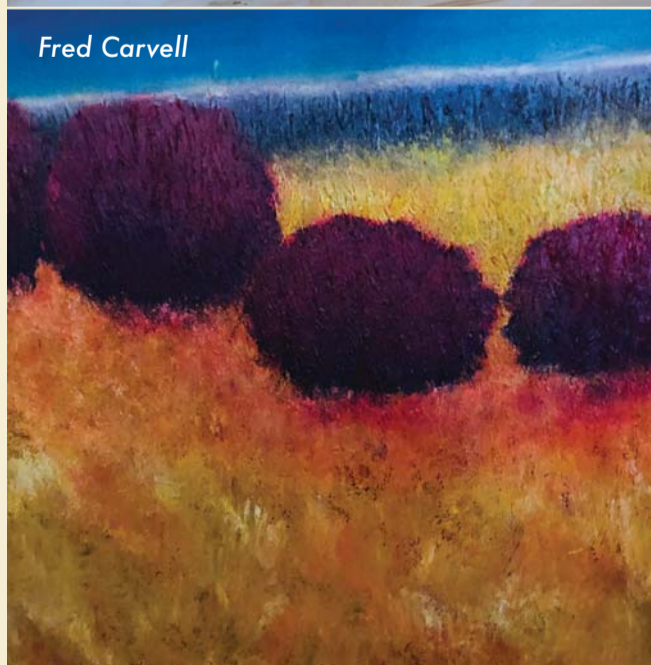
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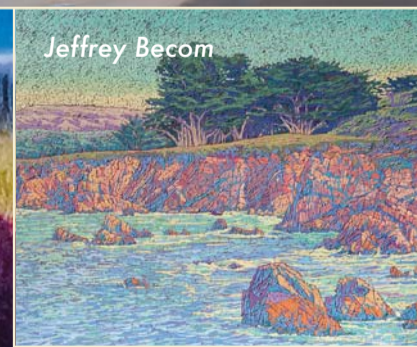
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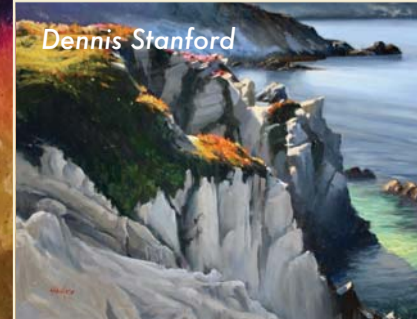
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Carmel Valley Manor gets a facelift — after all, it’s 60 years old

By ELAINE HESSER

SINCE ITS opening in 1963, Carmel Valley Manor has been a place that aging Peninsula residents — some of whom moved there from out of state to retire — have been proud and happy to call home.

The facility is celebrating its 60th birthday and has had some spiffy renovations and upgrades, while others are still in progress. Jay Zimmer, president and CEO of Carmel Valley Manor, took *The Pine Cone* on a tour of a place that breaks every dull and depressing stereotype of retirement communities.

Today’s campus includes its original complex — “everything inside the perimeter road,” explained Zimmer — built at a cost of \$4.5 million on a 23-acre estate formerly owned by Noel Sullivan and known locally as Hollow Hills Farm.

The nonprofit senior community has its roots in the Northern California Congregational Churches, which, according to the Manor’s history, petitioned its national parent organization in 1950 “to give serious attention to the duty which Congregational Churches have toward elderly people.”

The California group purchased the Sullivan property in 1960, and Rev. William F. Pratt, former superintendent of the church’s Northern California conference, moved into what became known as the Guest Cottage with his wife, Louise, who participated in the community’s administration by coordinating the activities of more than 20 resident-run committees.

Waiting lists

Since its beginnings, it’s been a sought-after retirement option. The *Salinas Californian* reported in 1962 that half of the 170 units, designed to house a total of 225 people, were already reserved, and William Pratt believed that the rest would rapidly fill up (they did) and a waiting list would be established.

Although it was, and is, a church-affiliated operation, residents have never been required to fulfill any religious requirements, and the *Californian* reported that while one-third of the new homes had been spoken for by people from the Monterey Peninsula, units had also been reserved by folks from New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Ohio and



Carmel Valley Manor’s new lobby is a popular gathering place among residents. It’s just one of many recent upgrades.

Washington. They comprised a variety of professionals, from teachers and doctors to engineers, attorneys and, of course, artists.

Back then, the *Californian*’s photo of a model of the proposed community was accompanied by a caption that described it as “a unique retirement home.” While many of its amenities — a barbershop, beauty salon, group dining room, chapel and “men’s billiard room” — are now commonplace in such residences, the concepts of independent and assisted living were novel back then. Until World War II, most eldercare facilities were either poorhouses (also

called almshouses) — shared with orphans, homeless people and sometimes, the mentally ill — or nursing homes that were almost indistinguishable from hospitals.

At the time, Carmel Valley Manor, with its beautiful views of the Valley and a wide assortment of activities for seniors “in reasonably good health and able to care for themselves at the time of entrance,” was — literally and figuratively — a city on a hill. Accommodations ranged from studio apartments to two-bedroom cottages.

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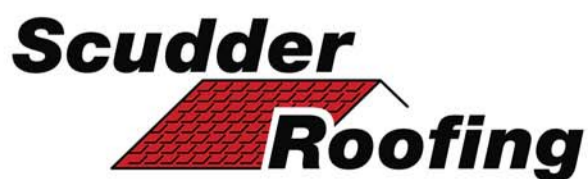
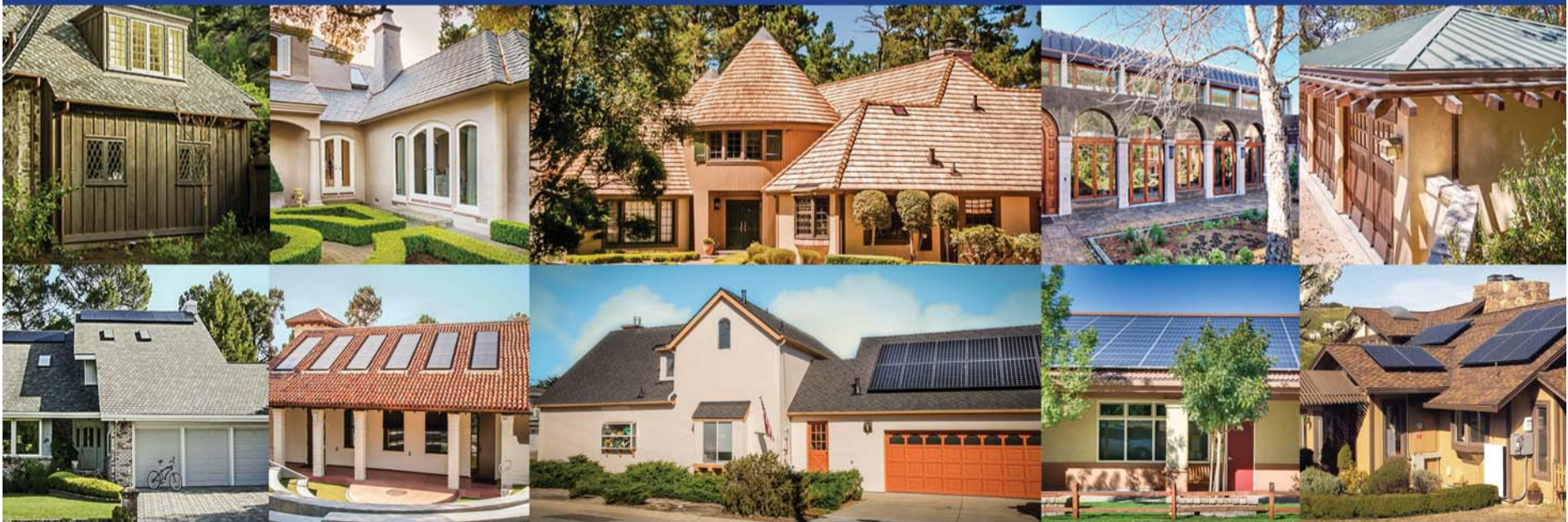


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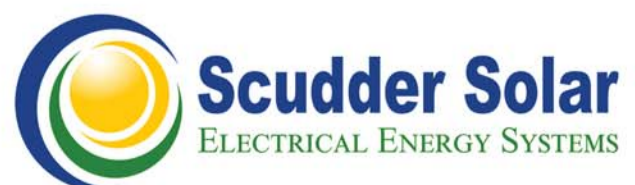
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A sommelier who created a vacation in a can

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

AT THE end of a long, demanding day, you’ve gathered ’round the fire pit with a few friends to slow things down and socialize, maybe with a can of fizzy rosé. For the moment, at least, you’re on vacation. That’s exactly what Tamara Francioni had in mind when she created Mini Vacay Wines — a different way to ease into an event or a quiet evening at the end of a demanding day.

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She wanted something that would simulate a mini vacation, in a can. Of course, you can elevate the moment by pouring it into a glass, to enjoy while making dinner, eating pasta by candlelight, or just watching “Ted Lasso.”

Growing up grounded

Growing up in North Dakota, in a small farming community where people’s roots ran deep into preceding generations, Francioni was raised to respect the value of remaining grounded, no matter what. She also understood the importance of pitching in — inventorying spark plugs at her dad’s auto parts store and mowing the lawn at home.

Francioni’s passions emerged in music, particularly piano and ballet — but all types of dance, really — and voice. Living in a tiny town where the nearest McDonald’s was an hour away, Francioni’s family didn’t have much of a grasp on the world of performing arts. Nevertheless, her parents drove her to a university an hour away to study voice during the school year and attend a performing arts



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Seen among the vines with her children, sommelier Tamara Francioni believes she’s found a way to put a vacation vibe in a can.



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By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

DOES THIS sound familiar? A light in a hallway ceiling fan starts making a crackling sound, so you just don't use it. A wooden finial snaps off a coffee table and is set aside for "when you get around to it." You ignore a little crack in an adobe wall (maybe nobody will see it behind a Will Bullas print, or you can put a vase in front of it).

However, if last winter's hurricane-force winds took down a redwood fence or knocked out your front porch railing with an assist from a tree limb, it's probably time to call in reinforcements to shore up your investment.

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had any construction or carpentry needs.

Coincidentally, Greening had been considering rebuilding her deck. The men had a polish about them and seemed to know their business. She invited them in and showed them her deck drawings.

The Ranch Hands Construction crew completed the

project. Over the next two years, they also remodeled her main bathroom and her kitchen, as well as a second bathroom and her office. Plus, they painted the exterior and interior of her house.

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economy. Since Melcher had helped his mother manage properties and plan events in Martha's Vineyard, where he and his parents had summered in better times, he decided to go into real estate, moved to Santa Barbara, and got his license.

He said that the day after that summertime cross-town trek, he made about 250 cold calls, but remained "too proud" to impose on friends or ask for help. He worked diligently over the next 18 months, making little headway, earning just enough money to pay rent and eat. "I would borrow or rent a car for showings. My credit was toast," he said. Eventually, he decided it was time to come home.

'Gotta work'

"By the end of 2011, I felt strong enough not to get sucked into family drama, and I had friends here. I called my good friend, Doug Steiny, and he took me on at Carmel Realty." Steiny, a fifth-generation Carmel Valley resident, is a successful realtor who has since also moved to Sotheby's. Melcher said they've known each other since Melcher's childhood.

With Steiny mentoring him, Melcher said, "I built my business brick by brick. On Friday nights, my friends would be going to Sade's and they'd bang on my office window, saying 'Come get a drink,' and I'd say, 'Nope, gotta work.'"

He said he kept "grinding away," holding as many as five open houses every weekend — one on Friday afternoon/evening, and two each on Saturday and Sunday. By 2013 and 2014, it was paying off. He started working with more expensive listings, and his website (ryanmelcher.com) includes pages of multimillionaire-dollar sales, along with some marketing videos he's quite proud of. In 2014, he sold a house on Carmel Point for \$3.4 million and got his first big commission check. "I was swimming in debt and I said,

'Oh, thank God!'"

"Those are hard deals to get," he said, noting that he had met the sellers at an open house. "Clients don't want to work with someone new. It's a visibility issue — there are so many of us," he added, estimating that there are between 1,500 and 1,600 active agents in this area. In addition to selling properties, he's worked with clients on spec homes, remodels, renovations and house flips. His energy is palpable, even over the phone.

He aspires to expand his business along the coast in Pebble Beach and the Carmel Highlands, and wouldn't mind snagging some of those big \$10 million-or-more listings along the way. Melcher also said that at some point, he'd like to build his own real estate team. He understands that will take more effort, and he's willing to put in the hours.

"People think real estate seems glamorous, easy and fun, but a lot of people do it for years with few sales. You have to be willing to be extremely uncomfortable and upset sometimes, and face one failure after another." He added, "All the things you want in any business are found in the things you don't want to do."

Love and friends

Melcher, 40, has also found love — he recently married his longtime girlfriend Brittney Giammanco in Martha's Vineyard, posting on social media that it "was the most incredible weekend" of his life, and "I've never felt love like that." He also said he loves her family and how welcoming they've been. The newlyweds live near Highway 1, in the homestead of an old ranch.

He said that one of the things he likes about the real estate business is meeting so many wonderful people and connecting them with each other. He genuinely enjoys having them around and entertaining at his home on the weekends. Like his grandmother, he loves animals, and eventually,

he'd like to have an animal sanctuary.

Despite the old family upheaval, he has happy memories of growing up here. After Day died, he wrote on social media, "I will forever be grateful for the time I had with

both my father and my grandmother. When I was younger, our family was so close and I was so fortunate to have such special people raise me. It's taught me to live in the moment and not leave things unsaid."



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Real estate agent Ryan Melcher, 40, recently married his longtime girlfriend, Brittney Giammanco, in Martha's Vineyard.



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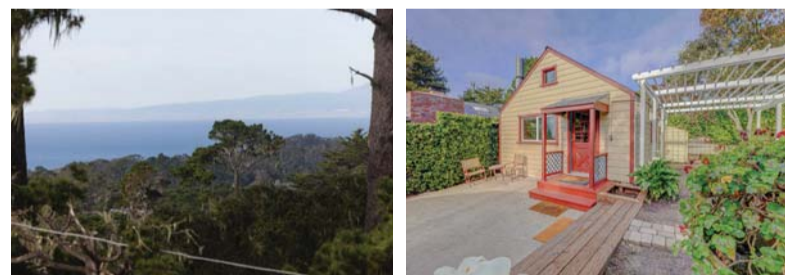
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Residents, who paid lump-sum entry fees plus monthly fees, were guaranteed lifetime occupancy and care, the Californian said. Although the Manor doesn't include the information on its website, that guarantee still exists, Zimmer said.

So does the waiting list, he noted, which includes about 100 people. Another thing that doesn't change often is the staff, with an average of about 12 years on the job. One employee has been there for nearly 40 years. Zimmer said he didn't think anyone left during Covid, and that the facility — unlike many in the state — is always fully staffed.

Original architects

The latest remodeling projects were planned by Skidmore, Owings & Merrill of San Francisco, the original

architects for the Manor who received a national award for their design in 1964. The work is being done by Otto Construction.

Changes to the administration building are noticeable as soon as you walk in — the lobby is sophisticated, and more open and sunny, with vaulted ceilings constructed to minimize noise. The noise-reducing ceiling is repeated in the dining room, where Zimmer said windows were also installed in what was previously a solid wall.

A bistro has been added, so residents can purchase coffee drinks and quick snacks, like pizza, yogurt or fruit, as well as pastries made by Michelle Rach, who has been with the Manor for 21 years. The sweet treats are made in-house daily. Outdoor dining and seating areas have been installed, along with a large grill for community barbecues.

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An aerial view of Carmel Valley Manor shows the comfortable residences that retirees enjoy just a short drive from downtown.

Retirement Home Being Constructed

CARMEL—One hundred future residents of Carmel Valley Manor have celebrated the start of construction of the \$4.5 million development for retired people. Ceremonies were held on the site near Carmel with state and county officials, church leaders and future residents looking on.

The 170-unit housing development is sponsored by the United Church of Christ of Northern California and will occupy the former Noel Sullivan estate of 23 acres. The Manor will welcome persons of every religious faith.

Hugh Davy, of Berkeley, president of the Carmel Valley Manor board, said the project will provide complete life care for its residents and is designed to "encourage independence in living in every way possible as long as possible."

A \$2.9 million loan was recently insured by the Federal Housing administration, making possible the erection of the total planned community.

The architectural theme is Mediterranean Riviera. The landscaping will feature French garden courts and lombardy poplar lined roadways. The contractors expect to complete the project in the Fall of 1963.

Residents will pay lump sum entrance fees and a monthly fee which provides life-time occupancy and care, including meals and medical care. The five sizes of living units range from a studio apartment to a two-bedroom, two-bath cottage.

News Notes

CARMEL VALLEY — Carmel Valley Manor, the Valley's second retirement home, received its first resident Oct. 14. With new occupants arriving on the average of 10 a day, its 170 units should soon be filled with a full complement of 229 guests.

Built on property formerly known as the Noel Sullivan estate, the manor is contained in a 23-acre area with as many of the old eucalyptus, poplar and pine trees preserved as possible in order to retain the rural scenic beauty for which the site was originally chosen.

It is owned and operated by the Northern California Congregational Retirement Home, Inc. Dr. William David Pratt will serve as administrator of the multi-million dollar operation. Mrs. Pratt will assist as co-ordinator of the 22 various committees composed of the residents. Their dog, Becky, was unanimously chosen as Manor mascot!

The manor is staffed by 52 Valley residents. The hub of the community's activity is centralized in the pavilion which houses a reception lounge, a post office, beauty shop and barber shop, administrative offices, men's billiard room and dining rooms with a sweeping view of the Valley and the Santa Lucia mountains.

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The Salinas Californian's archives offer glimpses into the Manor's past.

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“The crew showed up every day on time. They worked efficiently and cleaned up everything at the end of the day,” Greening said. “I found them trustworthy, kind and skilled, and they worked super hard at what I considered the right prices.”

After working with Ranch Hands Construction for three years, Greening sold her house and pocketed well over \$1.5 million dollars — thanks, she said, to the improvements Ranch Hands Construction had made.

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Ben Harper, a site manager for the company, noted that a little chaos comes with the territory on a construction site, so it’s important to minimize that, leave the job site clean, and enable clients to feel comfortable in their homes throughout the project.

“We work with a lot of repeat clients who use us for a wide range of needs,” said Harper. “Through that process, we develop a good working relationship — often a friendship — a bond that’s created out of the trust that comes from doing a job well.”

Quite often, says Harper, his clients are at their jobs while he’s at work on their home. Or they hand him their keys as they head out of town for the week, trusting the job will be finished by the time they get home. The only remaining sign of construction is the finished project.

“Another key to our relationship-building is that our crew is made up of workers capable of doing a full range of projects,” said Harper. “Having so many subcontractors come in from different trades to work with us, we have assembled a crew with skill in all areas of construction and repair.”

When Harper was a boy, he found himself fascinated by how things worked and loved working with his hands. When given a toy, he’d pull it apart, not to be destructive, but to understand how it was made and how it worked.

“When the opportunity arose to work in construction,” he said, “this spoke to me; this made sense. So, I worked

hard, paid attention, asked a lot of questions and learned a lot, particularly that this is something I totally love. Five years later, that I’m in a management position with the company was beyond my imaginings.”

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PENINSULA BUSINESSSES

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The Rose resale shop is staffed by residents, and boasts a wide array of used clothing and other artists.

The art, much of which was sourced locally, was decided upon by a committee of residents, and Zimmer said there were many spirited discussions on the various pieces. The resulting collection is eclectic, yet since it's spread throughout the facility and buildings, it all manages to work.

One of the larger pieces, just opposite the reception desk, is called "Serenity," by artist Michelle Sakhai, is meant to represent waves on the beach. It's relaxing and almost mesmerizing.

There's still a beauty salon/barbershop, along with a room just for making the floral arrangements found throughout the property, a sewing room, a game room (women can also play billiards, now), weaving room complete with looms, and an art room.

The Hollow Hills Chapel — named for the farm that once stood there — remains and also hosts concerts and other gatherings. A new fitness center was added in 2005.



This mid-20th-century photo of Carmel Valley Manor shows how rural it once was.

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school in the summer.

Ultimately, she graduated from college with a degree in classical voice and theater direction. She moved to Manhattan and started singing and dancing in regional theater and in Greenwich Village.

"To support myself while performing, I was working in restaurants, recommending and pouring wine for guests, which is how I fell in love with wine," she said. "Running three flights of stairs from the restaurant to the wine cellar and back was how I learned to read labels. If I got it wrong, I had to run those stairs again."

An apprenticeship with the American Sommelier Association provided an education on the rarefied knowledge of the sommelier, a sobering distinction between the role romanticized in the movies and the deep understanding of the theory, tasting and service of wine.

Franscioni earned her first sommelier certification in 2013 and has gone on to complete others.

"I have lived a duality of pairing high culture with the kind of country culture that keeps you grounded, which has defined my whole life," Franscioni said. "I think this is what continues to draw me to wine, one of the most amazing expressions of what can come from quality soil and good farming."

Armed with a desire to understand more about the wine industry from the ground to the glass, in 2014, Franscioni came to California and settled in San Francisco. She met her husband during a wine event she had designed.

"It was a bit of a 'Love in the Vines' Hallmark movie," she said. "I actually ended up working a harvest for my husband's label, Roar Winery. We weren't dating yet but decided to. There's nothing as romantic as being soaked, head to toe, working 14-hour days in the vineyard."

By 2019, Franscioni had gone into business designing wine events for companies and selling high-end wine to private collectors all over the world, a pursuit that was pretty much about exclusivity and fancy bottles.

"It was all really exciting and cool," she said. "But over time, I felt I wanted to create something accessible to the everyday person, those I love to hang out with, interesting people of all backgrounds and not necessarily the wine industry. At the end of the day, it matters less what's in the glass and more the stories being shared around it."

At the height of the pandemic, in 2020, when her son was just 6 weeks old, Franscioni rented a space within a private winery in Castroville, and began developing a high-quality sparkling wine, presented in smaller portions than a bottle.

"I'm lucky enough to be married to a grape grower who has connections to others who have organic or certified vineyards on the Central Coast, from which I blend my rosé," she said. "My favorite part is the blending, working with all these barrels of wine and figuring out which blend is going to be the best expression of the wine."

Like most people she knows, Franscioni works hard every day. As daylight shifts into evening, and she's rocked her children to sleep, she and her husband toast the peaceful moment with a mini vacay in a glass, grateful for their place in paradise.



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A 15-time Grammy Award winner, banjo legend Bela Fleck and others perform Tuesday at Sunset Center.

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Also at Sunset Center are concerts by **Youth Music Monterey County** (Sunday at 3 p.m.) and banjo legend **Bela Fleck**, tabla master **Zakir Hussain** and double bassist **Edgar Meyer** (Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.).

Sunday’s performance marks the season’s first for YMMC and the debut of new music director **Daniel Brier**. The group’s two orchestras showcase talented young musicians from more than 30 local schools. Tickets for the Sunday performance start at \$4.99. Call (831) 375-1992 or visit youthmusicmonterey.org.

Fleck has won 15 Grammy Awards, while Meyer and Hussain have earned five and two Grammys, respectively. Tickets for Tuesday night start at \$49. Call (831) 620-2048 or visit sunsetcenter.org. Sunset Center is at San Carlos

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Dinner with a view

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Soup to Nuts

By ELAINE HESSER

include roast Diestel Farms turkey with traditional accompaniments, a blackened salmon combo with a jumbo sea scallop, or prime rib. Dessert is pumpkin or pecan pie, or pear and cranberry galette. No other menus will be available. Cost is \$75 for adults, \$35 for children 10 and under, not including tax and gratuity. Mission Ranch is at 26270

Dolores St., call (831) 624-6436 with questions or visit missionranchcarmel.com.

How about dinner with the beautiful view from the **Hyatt Carmel Highlands**? For \$85 a person, the hotel's Pacific's Edge restaurant offers a three-course meal from noon to 8 p.m. The feast starts amuse-bouche of sweet potato with brûléed meringue and brown butter sage crumble, followed by a choice of butternut squash bisque, a vegan salad with farro, or oysters Rockefeller. Entrées include roast turkey and apricot-glazed ham — both with whipped potatoes, sourdough water chestnut dressing, roasted Brussels sprouts and Grand Marnier cranberry sauce — herb-roasted salmon with polenta, or a vegetarian dish of winter squash, wild mushrooms, and crispy root vegetables. Top it all off with pumpkin pie or vegan apple tartlet. Reserve through Open Table, or call the restaurant at (831) 622-5445 for

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Shearwater Tavern in the Carmel Mission Inn at 3665 Rio Road will be open from 1 to 9 p.m., with reservations "strongly encouraged." Pear and butternut squash soup, and a Little Gem salad with goat cheese, pomegranate and candied pecans, precede the traditional turkey with traditional sides, including charred sweet potatoes with maple butter, and green beans with crispy onions. To reserve a table, call (831) 624-6640 or visit shearwatertavern.com.

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Outdoor seating at Mission Ranch's Thanksgiving dinner will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Indoor seating is sold out, but really — who wouldn't be grateful for that grand view?

The six-course menu is priced at \$595, including wines or non-alcoholic beverages.

Chef Justin Cogley and pastry chef Yulanda Santos will offer creations made with the sorts of delicacies you might imagine for that price tag — lots of white truffles, caviar, Champagne and Maine lobster — all before the entrée, a choice of heritage Bourbon red Pennsylvanian turkey or 100-day dry-aged ribeye. The meal also includes sugar pie pumpkin stuffing, haricots verts, bell pepper, and shiro-dashi (a savory Japanese condiment) potato puree.

They've paid close attention to the wines, too — when else can you expect a 1976 Barbaresco from Italy and a 2006 Riesling spätlese from Germany in the same meal? Notably, the nonalcoholic beverage option includes a variety of "elixirs, shrubs and fresh fruit juices" designed to pair with the courses — something teetotalers rarely hear.

Prepaid reservations are available at exploretock.com/auberginecarmel. A takeaway dinner for two with turkey, chanterelle and apple stuffing, potatoes, green beans, and more for \$495, can be ordered until noon Nov. 20 or until

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they're sold out, using the same web address.

La Playa (Camino Real & Eighth) plans a first-come, first-serve buffet from 3 to 9 p.m. The menu is a work in progress. Call (831) 293-6100 or visit laplayahotel.com.

Meanwhile, in the valley

Carmel Valley dining options include **Quail Lodge's Covey Grill**, with seatings between 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.

for the early bird crowd, and dinner from 4 to 9 p.m. for everyone else. Prepaid reservations are required and you can call (831) 620-8860 or visit bit.ly/3SqzKRn to make them. For \$76 per person (plus tax and gratuity), the meal begins with your choice of butternut squash soup, gem lettuce salad, or Dungeness crab salad with frisée, radish, apple, farro and pomegranate.

Up next, four entrée options — turkey with chestnut stuffing and traditional sides, prime flat-iron steak with fingerling potatoes and broccolini, New Zealand king salmon filet accompanied by peas, wild rice and pickled fennel, or vegan, gluten-free winter vegetable lasagna. Desserts include pumpkin cheesecake, Bourbon pecan pie, chocolate mocha pot de crème, or a trio of holiday sorbets. Additional family-style sides are on offer, too.

Bernardus Lodge (at Carmel Valley Road and Laureles Grade) hasn't posted its menu, but the website suggests celebrating with an "autumn-inspired four-course tasting menu with a distinguished wine list," from 5 to 9 p.m.

Cost is \$155 per person, plus tax and gratuity. There's a 72-hour cancellation policy, and a credit card number will be required when you call (831) 658-3400 to reserve.

P.G. and Monterey

The **Monterey Hyatt** will serve an over-the-top buffet in its Sea Root restaurant. From 1 to 7 p.m. (with live music starting at 4), adults dine for \$79, children ages 6-12 for \$35, and children 5 and under for free. Salads, cheeses, breads, soup, and shrimp cocktails are available to start. Salmon, turkey and ham will be ready for their close-ups,



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In P.G., **Wild Fish** at 545 Lighthouse Ave. is going rogue, with nary a turkey in sight. From noon to 4 p.m., its \$85-a-person (not including tax or gratuities) four-course meal starts with celery root and apple salad, and vichyssoise. Follow that up with roasted cured swordfish roulade with assorted accoutrements, or a vegetarian/vegan option of roasted eggplant and cauliflower gratin with a

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microgreen salad. Vegan pumpkin pie, gluten-free quince cake, and a hazelnut chocolate olive oil cake provide sweet finishes. For more information or for reservations, go to wild-fish.com or call (831) 373-8523.

At **Estéban** in Monterey's Casa Munras hotel, a three-course meal will be \$78 per adult, \$38 for kids 6-12, and free for those 5 and younger. Dinner's from 2 to 8 p.m., and you can reserve a table at (831)375-0176. Bisque or salad will be followed by turkey with all the sides and classic pumpkin or apple pie. For \$78 a person plus tax, order the meal to go by Nov 21 at 5 pm. and pick up on Thanksgiving from 1 to 5 p.m.

From noon to 8 p.m., watch all the football you want at **Peter B's** in the **Portola Hotel & Spa** at the foot of Alvarado Street (portolahotel.com) while enjoying a \$37.95 (plus tax and tip) "Thanksgiving Plate" — turkey, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, stuffing, cranberry sauce, and a slice of pumpkin pie. It's first-come, first-serve, and you can get orders to go by calling (831) 649-2699. The full dinner menu will also be available. At the more upscale **Jacks Monterey**, reservations are required

— email jacks@portolahotel.com, or call (831) 649-7870 — and you can dine between 2 and 8 p.m. In addition to the regular menu, there's a three-course prix-fixe holiday dinner for \$57.95 per person, plus tax and tip, with a beet salad starter followed by turkey and all the trimmings, and ending with pecan or pumpkin pie.

Less doing, more eating

What if you prefer Uggs and pajamas to a restaurant outing? No problem. Pre-order Thanksgiving takeout from **Poppy Hill**. For \$150 for four people or \$250 for eight, you'll get turkey, mashed potatoes, a sweet potato, kabocha and butternut squash combo with brown sage butter and veal stuffing, sautéed veggies and one or two whole pumpkin pies. Availability is limited to the first 20 orders. To reserve, call (831) 622-8214, then pick up on the big day between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. at 3200 Lopez Road in Pebble Beach.

Paradise Catering is partnering with **Holman Ranch** for a doozy of a dinner. Go to bit.ly/472wMH0 to order by Nov. 15; pick up between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. at Holman's Carmel Valley tasting room, 18 W. Carmel Valley Road. You'll get Paradise Catering's whole roasted turkey, sliced and presented over fennel sausage

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and Ninth in downtown Carmel.

■ Folk duo performs in P.G.

Serving up a mix of bluegrass, swing and Celtic tunes, fiddler **Sumaia Jackson** and multi-instrumentalist **Colin Carter** share the stage at St. Mary's by-the-Sea in Pacific Grove Sunday at 3 p.m.

Jackson is a Santa Cruz native who has played at the Cherry Center for the Arts, while Carter performed at St. Mary's in September as a member of the Mari Black Trio.

"After a couple years spent working on other projects, Colin and Sumaia just regrouped to play the Bellingham Celtic Festival together and decided that one gig just wasn't enough," Jackie Pierce of St. Mary's said. "If you haven't heard the two play their tasty blend of killer original tunes and gripping folk songs, this isn't a show to be missed."

Tickets are \$35. The church is located at 146 12th St. For more details, visit celtsociety.org.

■ String quartet visits church

Directed by **David Dally**, **The Monterey Peninsula String Quartet** presents

a concert Monday, 7:30 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church in Monterey. The group will be accompanied by soprano **Laura Anderson Schwingel**. The program includes Elvis Costello's "The Juliet Letters" and John Ireland's *Concerto Pastorale*. Tickets are \$10 for general admission and \$5 for students. The church is located at 501 El Dorado St.

■ Live music Nov. 10-16

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.

Baum & Blume in Carmel Valley — **Andrea's Fault Duo** (jazz and blues) and singer and guitarist **Kyle Kovalik** (Sunday at 1 p.m.). 4 El Caminito.

Bernardus Lodge & Spa in Carmel Valley — pianist **Mathias Morris** (classical, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Fred McCarty** (Saturday at noon), pianist **Martan Mann** (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **John Sherry** (rock and blues, Sunday at noon). 415 W. Carmel Valley 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,

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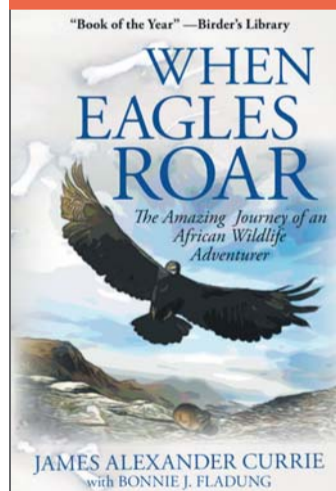
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Sunday at 7 p.m.), singer **Lee Durley** and singer and pianist **Bill Spencer** (jazz, Tuesday at 7 p.m.), singer **Miranda Perl** and guitarist **Adam Astrup** (jazz and swing, Wednesday at 7 p.m.). 301 Alvarado St.

Cuz's Sportsman's Club in Seaside — **Sugar Beats** (classic rock Saturday 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 — **The Blank Tapes** (indie rock, Saturday at 10 p.m.). 47200 Highway 1.

Folktale Winery in Carmel Valley — singer and gui-

tarist **Adrea Castiano** (Saturday at 2 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Asher Stern** (Sunday at 2 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

Gusto Pasta and Pizza in Seaside — singer **Lauri Hofer-Romero** and guitarist **Bruce Forman** (jazz, Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). 1901 Fremont Blvd.

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

Hyatt Regency Monterey Hotel — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Meredith McHenry** (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer **Miranda Perl** and guitarist **Adam Astrup** (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 1 Old Golf Course Road.

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

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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 — **Scarlet** (rock, Friday at 7 p.m.), **The Imaginary Band** featuring singer and guitarist **Casey Frazier** (rock, Saturday at 7 p.m.), **Singer-Song-**

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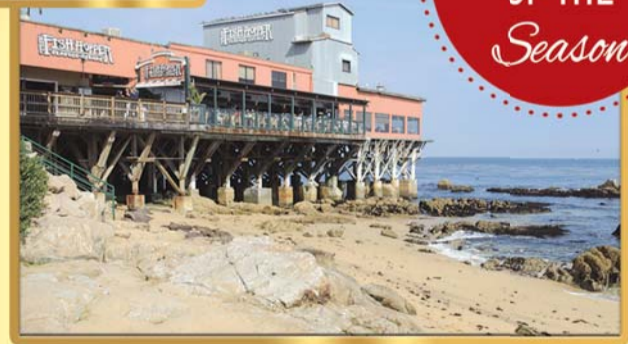
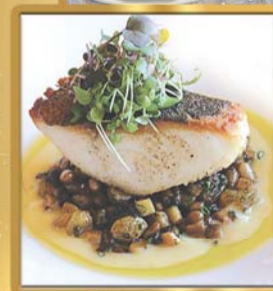
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VAN MEGERT KEEPS PAINTING, SHOWS NO SIGN OF SLOWING

THE SPOTLIGHT at the Carmel Art Association this month falls on painter Jerry Van Megert, who is the subject

of a retrospective show that opens Saturday, and a book signing event that happens the same day at 4 p.m. The artist, who has lived in Pebble Beach since 1968, will sign copies of his book, "Pebble Beachscapes."

"The Carmel Art Association has had the honor of representing Jerry during two distinct periods in his acclaimed artistic career, both early on and now late," the downtown gallery's Sally Aberg told The Pine Cone. "We look forward to celebrating Jerry's show and his distinguished contributions to the art history of the Monterey Peninsula — and beyond."

Now 85, Van Megert is far from putting down his brush and easel.

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what's around the corner," he said. "God willing, I will keep painting for the rest of my life."

Also new at the CAA in November is a solo show by Fred Carvell ("A Sense of Place"), and a two-man show by Dennis Stanford and Jeffrey Becom ("Parallel Paths — On Site and In Studio"). The displays continue through Dec. 4.

The gallery is located on Dolores between Fifth and Sixth.

Bohemian talk at MIIS

An author who writes about the heyday of Monterey's Bohemian art colony, Claudine Chalmers offers a free talk on the subject Thursday, 8 p.m., in the Irvine Auditorium at the Monterey Institute of International Studies. The lecture is the first in a series presented by the Old Monterey Foundation.

"Embark on a unique literary journey," reads an invitation to the talk. "Claudine is set to mesmerize her audience as she shares her remarkable experiences, encounters and untold stories."

The lecture will take a close look at the people who made their mark on Monterey during its early days, including painter Jules Tavernier, restaurateur Jules Simoneau and writer Robert Louis Stevenson.

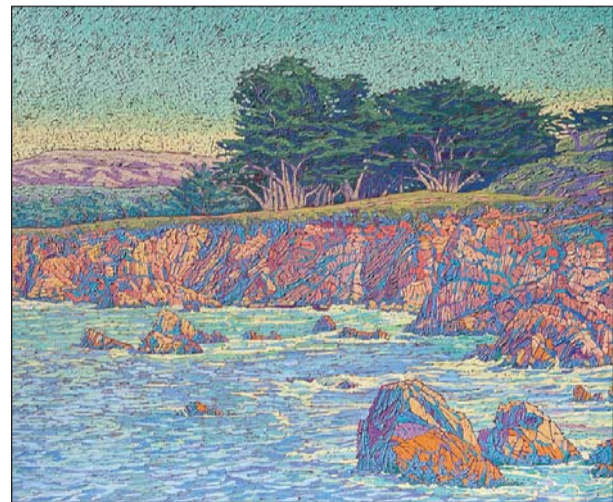
The auditorium is located at 499 Pierce St.

Group welcomes juried show

Representing more than 100 local artists, the Central Coast Art Association presents an opening reception Friday for its 89th Bi-Annual Fall Exhibit Juried Show at Meals on Wheels in Pacific Grove. The reception starts at 5 p.m.

The group turns 50 next year. Its current president, Lori Thompson, invited the public to attend the gathering, where awards will be presented to the most talented of the group's members. "Come meet the artists and view their beautiful artwork," Thompson suggested.

Meals and Wheels is located at 700 Jewell Ave.



Jeffrey Becom's "Cypress and Cliffs, Pacific Grove" (top) and Jerry Van Megert's "Carmel Beach, Frolicking Dogs" are included in shows opening this week at the Carmel Art Association

CALENDAR

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. 14 – Ikebana (Japanese flower arrangement) demo will be held at 12:30 p.m. at the Pebble Beach Community Services District conference room, 3101 Forest Lake Road, Pebble Beach, 93953 (corner of Lopez and Forest Lake roads). Guest fee \$5. Gate fee waived by mentioning Ikebana meeting. To learn more, visit ikebanamontereybay.weebly.com

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. 16 – Community Night at the Library presents: Leading a Movement of Growth in the Arts with Dr. Ayodele Nzinga,

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Nov. 16 & 17 – The Carmel High School Dance Department presents "A Love Letter to Dance," 7 p.m. at the CHS Performing Arts Center, Highway 1 at Ocean Avenue, Carmel. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 students and seniors, children 10 and under free.

Nov. 17 – "Hispanic American Voices" presented by Poet Laureate Robert Gomez, 5:30 p.m. Part of PGPL's Fall Exhibition, "Ourselves We Sing" running through Jan 5. For more, visit pacificgrovelibrary.org.

Nov. 17 – Discover the Difference Happy Hour - 4:30 p.m., Taste a fine selection of wines, refreshments and hors d'oeuvres crafted by our chef! Discover the engaging lifestyle at Madonna Gardens Assisted Living & Memory Care. Call (831) 800-1673 or email RSVP@MadonnaGardens.com to reserve a spot.

Nov. 19 – An afternoon of music and presentations, with the Interfaith Outreach of Carmel'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 lfaithcarmel.org.

Nov. 19 – Anna Vandenbroucke will sign copies of her newest novel, "Pine Grove, A Journey of Love, Loss, and Light," 1 to 2:30 p.m. at River House Books, 208 Crossroads Blvd., Carmel. To learn more, call (831) 626-2665.

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.

Dec. 9 – "Run Rudolph Run" presented by Arthritis Research Coalition and Monterey Spine and Joint. 7:30 a.m. at Lovers' Point Park. Dress up in your favorite holiday attire and join in on Pacific Grove's #1 holiday Run/Walk.

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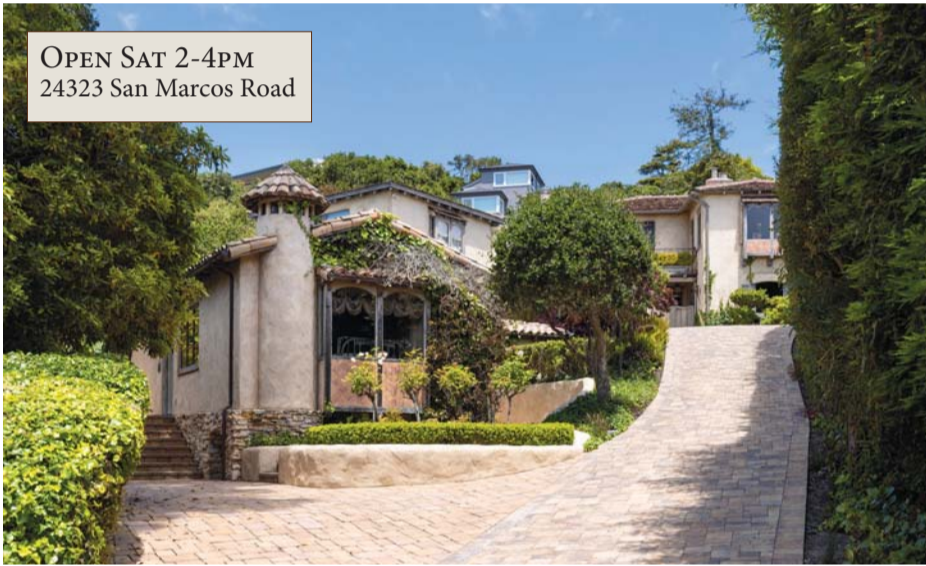
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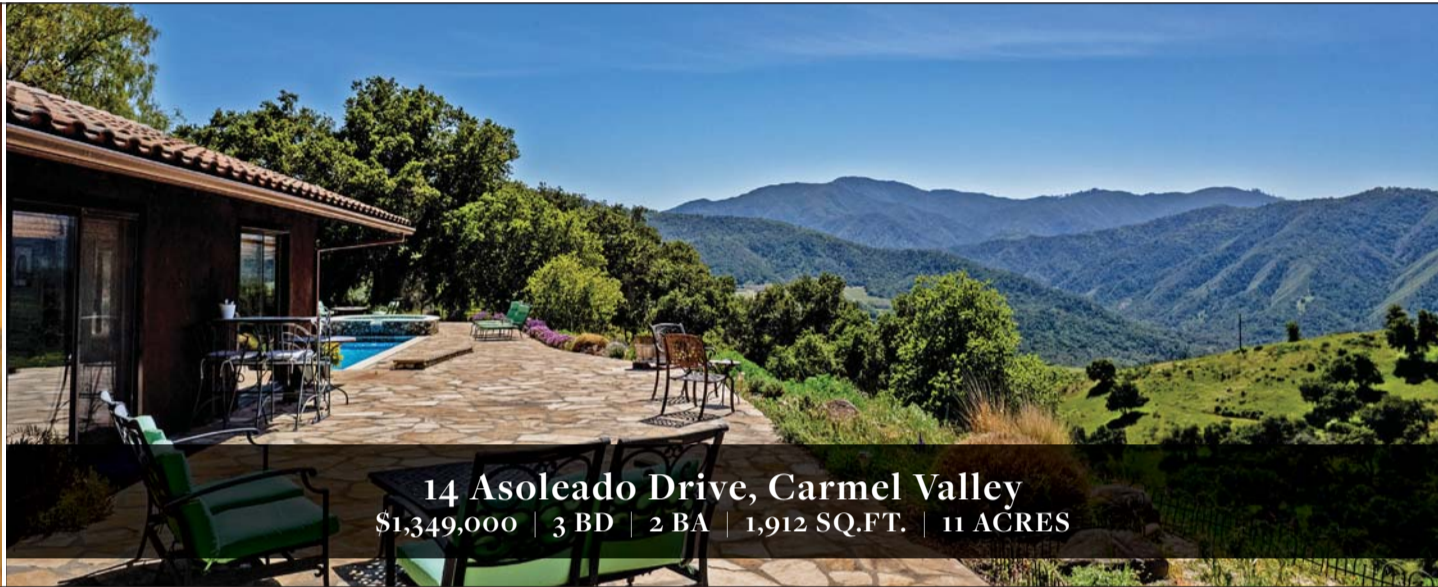
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Citizens, it's too much! Sometimes, in the middle of all the hullabaloo, my enthusiasm for the three holidays

plunges like the altimeter on the Hindenburg. It is time to put some distance between these three festivals so each can settle into its own identity.

Holidays present a dizzying array of demands — parties, shopping, baking, cleaning and entertaining. Halloween has its own unique needs, with costumes, pumpkin

carving, and kids going trick or treating. Inclement weather often impacts travel during the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons. In late October, the days dwindle down to a precious few while everyone tries to prepare for three holidays within 60 days. Yes, I know Halloween isn't an official holiday, but you would have to be the ghost of Rip Van Winkle and sleep through 20 of them not to notice all the frolicking going on. Stress is the tricky treat that befalls many of us as we try to fulfill our obligations.



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The dates for Halloween and Christmas are pretty much static. Thanksgiving became a moveable feast when President Franklin Roosevelt bumped it up a week to accommodate retailers who wanted shoppers to have more time to spend between the two holidays. Why not move Thanksgiving again?

Why not August?

I propose moving it to August. Why? There are no holidays in August. Think about it. January kicks off with New Year's Day, and then we celebrate Martin Luther King's birthday. February is for hearts and flowers, and honoring a couple of major presidents whose faces grace minor coins and bills and whose memories generate major discounts on automobiles. March has St. Paddy's Day and a long-anticipated equinox. April is often when Easter and Passover arrive. May is for Moms. June is for dads, grads and trips to the altar.

In July, we celebrate our country's birthday (and mine — it's a holiday for me). Labor Day in September, Veterans Day (and Thanksgiving) in November, and finally Christmas in December. Poor little August has nothing to distinguish it except "dog days."

I would shoot for early August, to space Thanksgiving equidistant between the Fourth of July and Labor Day. You can even have it on a Saturday. Most people would be off work the next day. A lot of people vacation during August. If they're on the road anyway, why not plan that vacation trip around a visit to Grandma's house for a great traditional Thanksgiving dinner?

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Another point in favor of August: traveling isn't imperiled by inclement weather. There's no need to worry about ice and snow on the roads, or being subject to delays from airports being closed. Major storms often sweep across the country just before Thanksgiving, causing anxiety among travelers. In August, Macy's would not need to worry about their giant balloons being blown away by high winds during the annual New York City parade.

Mothers should be all in for August, because there's no football. Plan dinner when it's convenient for you, not between games or at halftime. Good weather means you can go outside and throw the football

around to work off some of those calories. I'm sorry pumpkins wouldn't be in season, but think of Thanksgiving with fresh tomatoes! There wouldn't be cranberries, but you could savor tons of strawberries, raspberries, blueberries and blackberries in your pies.

Dinners interrupted

The best reason for moving Thanksgiving to August is that Christmas shopping is removed from the equation. Big-box stores wouldn't be open on Thanksgiving Day, and we wouldn't have to cope with Black Fridays. Think of all the big retailers' employees who have their Thanksgiving dinners interrupted because they have to report for work at 4 or 5 p.m. My proposal would solve this problem.

Somehow, as a nation, we've lost sight of the real meaning of Thanksgiving. It

is the holiday when we come together as families to share our blessings and express gratitude for what we have. The family gathered around the dining room table at Thanksgiving should be a metaphor for how the entire country should gather together in harmony.

Being able to focus on one holiday at a time, we could keep expectations for each holiday season more manageable.

We could relax and concentrate on being thankful for what we have, rather than setting our sights on what we want. Maybe taking the stress out of the holidays by putting distance between them would help us enjoy Halloween more and remember the real reasons for celebrating Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Contact Jerry at jerrygervase@yahoo.com.

POLICE LOG

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

Carmel Valley: Person wished to report a possible restraining order violation on Carmel Valley Road.

Carmel Valley: Paso Hondo resident reported a belt was missing from her closet. The resident believed someone entered her residence and removed the belt. Resident believed she found the 14-year-old belt with missing parts on the "innerweb" for sale at a used clothing store.

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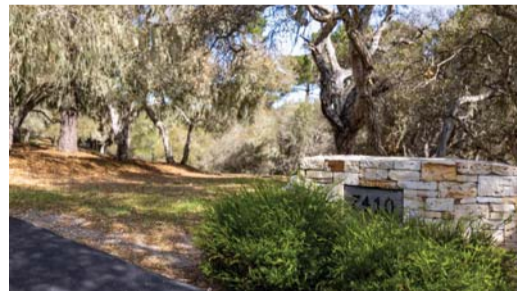
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107 Del Mesa Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 404-401-8647		
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24501 Via Mar Monte #74 The Jones Group 917-4534		
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37 Del Mesa Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 238-8311		
\$1,299,000	4bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
25240 Highway 1 Platinum One Real Estate 915-9710		
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9542 Maple Ct Coldwell Banker Realty 915-7415		
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9809 Club Place Lane Carmel Realty 595-0535		
\$2,579,000	3bd 2ba +ADU	Sa 1-4 Su 1-3
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9644 Poplar Ct Carmel Realty 402-4108		
\$2,975,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
Lincoln 4 NE of 3rd Compass, Weathers Gannaway 594-4752		
\$3,095,000	3bd 2ba	Fr 1-4 Sa 12-3 Su 11-1
24439 San Juan Rd The Ruiz Group, Keller Williams Inc. 917-4707		
\$3,099,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 12-3 Su 1-3
2845 Ribera Road Sotheby's Int'l RE 710-1655		
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24675 Outlook Drive Sotheby's Int'l RE 238-8768		
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3462 Lazarro Dr Coldwell Banker Realty 206-0129 / 250-3246		
\$3,925,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-3
Monte Verde 4 SW of 12th Carmel Realty 915-8010		
\$3,950,000	3bd 2ba	Sa Su 1-3
San Carlos 5 SW of 12th Carmel Realty 574-0260		
\$3,995,000	4bd 4ba	Sa 2-4
24323 San Marcos Road Carmel Realty 238-1498		
\$4,300,000	2bd 2ba	Sa Su 12-3
San Antonio 2 SE of 10th Avenue Sotheby's Int'l RE 915-2082		
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26265 Carmelo St Compass, Bambace Peterson 224-6891		
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Monte Verde & 7th SWC St Coldwell Banker Realty 884-3849 / 206-0129		
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San Antonio 2 SE of 12th Avenue Carmel Realty 277-5544		
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28003 Mercurio Rd Coldwell Banker Realty Carmel Valley 236-8800		
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3286 Cove Way Sotheby's Int'l RE Marina 236-4663		
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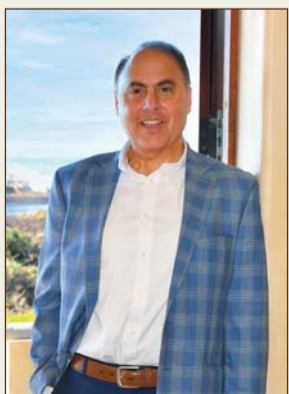


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3037 Kennedy Court — \$1,149,000
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