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Neighbor group drops lawsuit over CHS lights

By MARY SCHLEY

AFTER FAILING to convince a judge to halt the installation of stadium lights at Carmel High School, the group that sued the Carmel Unified School District over environmental issues related to the project announced late last week that it would drop its effort to block the lights and pivot to enforcing the myriad measures CUSD promised to take to mitigate the lights' impacts. Save Carmel filed its request for dismissal Nov. 8.

Limit waste

"With failed settlement discussions, it became clear CUSD would waste taxpayer dollars to roadblock any meaningful resolutions or outcomes," the group, whose members remain anonymous, said in the announcement. "CUSD is facing several active lawsuits, and more than \$1 million in taxpayer dollars have been spent in 2023 for legal services," not including the \$770,000 payout to former superintendent Ted Knight.

"Save Carmel is confident that all mitigation measures set forth in the final EIR are enforceable by Save Carmel,

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PHOTO/KERRY BELSER

The new light poles at the Carmel High football stadium are tall so the lights can be pointed downward, keeping most of the illumination on the field instead of scattering it to the neighborhood.

Congressman condemns use of 'anti-Israel' phrase

By KELLY NIX

REP. JIMMY Panetta joined fellow Democrats in rejecting the use of a phrase that Israel and the Biden Administration say calls for the destruction of the Jewish people, but the congressman voted against censuring a fellow Democrat for using it.

In a symbolic move Nov. 7, Panetta and dozens of other members of the House of Representatives condemned the use of the term "from the river to the sea," which refers to the land between the Jordan River and the Mediterranean Sea, and has long been used by Hamas and other Palestinian groups to describe their goal of conquering Israel.

Heard everywhere

The phrase, "From the river to the sea, Palestine will be free," has also been a ubiquitous chant at pro-Palestine and anti-Israel rallies in the United States since Hamas' Oct. 7 murderous attack on Israeli civilians.

"We reject the use of the phrase 'from the river to the sea' — a phrase used by many, including Hamas, as a rallying cry for the destruction of the State of Israel and

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Big Sur residents plead for high-speed internet

By CHRIS COUNTS

AT A hearing hosted by the California Public Utility Commission last week, residents from many of the state's remote communities, including Big Sur, urged officials to make affordable high-speed internet and cell phone service available in their distant neighborhoods. The hearing comes at a time when the state's Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program, known as BEAD, is making \$42 million available to subsidize "high-speed internet access for underserved and unserved locations."

"With the exception of Starlink, we have no fast, reliable internet service in the Palo Colorado area of Big Sur," resident John Hain said, referring to a network of satellites put into orbit by SpaceX. "Please do not leave us at the mercy of Elon Musk. We are one of the most popular tourist destinations in the United States and deserve excellent broadband service along the coast."

More than Nebraska

According to a Sept. 7 report in the Wall Street Journal, the Federal Trade Commission estimated that making high-speed internet available to residents of a remote part of Nebraska would cost more than \$50,000 per connection — and accomplishing the same thing in mountainous Big Sur is likely to cost even more.

Resident Colleen Wilson told the CPUC she has decent internet down the coast, but the cost is an "outrageous" \$168 a month. "I hope the broadband equity program can bring more affordable internet to the area and add reception along Highway 1," Wilson said.

Elizabeth Withrow, another resident, pointed out the lack of broadband in Big Sur is "a safety issue" when "there are emergencies that require a fast response."

"Cell service does not exist over most of the Big Sur coast," Withrow said. "This causes a large gap in safety

for the millions of people who use the coastal highway each year."

Withrow said the lack of broadband puts a burden on

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A user of a popular internet forum recently posted this photo showing how he used a \$135-a-month Starlink antenna to get high-speed internet while he stopped for lunch along the Big Sur coast.

'CALL TO ACTION' LED TO MPC DIVERSITY PUSH

By KELLY NIX

MONTEREY PENINSULA College's new anti-racism department was not created due to any evidence of systemic racism or bigotry at the community college, but was rather a "proactive" move based on a directive from the head of the state's community college system, an MPC spokeswoman said Tuesday.

The Monterey college last week announced it hired Jacinto Salazar to be the inaugural director of the newly founded Inclusivity, Diversity, Equity, Anti-racism and Accessibility division. Salazar, who started the job Nov. 1, is paid a salary between \$8,039 and \$9,769 monthly, or roughly \$96,000 to \$117,000 annually.

'Proactive'

Salazar and MPC spokeswoman Kristin Darken this week responded to questions from The Pine Cone, including why the college believed the new department was necessary and whether MPC had a problem with on-campus racism and systemic racism. While neither of them pointed to any instances of bigotry at MPC, Darken explained why the college created the department.

"MPC is being proactive based on the California Community College chancellor's office's call to action initiative to directly address systemic racism," she explained. "The chancellor's call to action initiative aims to place our institutional values of diversity, equity and inclusion at the heart of every aspect of what we do as a college."

Following the 2020 directive from then-chancellor Eloy Oakley — made 10 days after the death of George Floyd at the hands of a Minneapolis police officer — MPC in 2021 developed an IDEAA Task Force, which recommended

the new department, Darken said.

Oakley called for community colleges to respond to systemic racism by "urgently working" to conduct a system-wide review of law enforcement officers and first

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City tries to curtail 'hate speech' at meetings

■ P.G. reverses ban on Zoom comments

By MARY SCHLEY and KELLY NIX

BEFORE THE pandemic, the only way to comment at a public meeting was to attend in person and step up to the mic. But that changed when everything moved to virtual platforms as people were told to stay home during the coronavirus pandemic, and now most jurisdictions host meetings in person and online. While hybrid meetings have made government more accessible, they have also provided an avenue for callers who disrupt them with hate speech — something officials are trying to curb.

At the Carmel Planning Commission meeting last Wednesday afternoon, planning director Brandon Swanson preemptively cautioned Zoom participants against such comments and warned that anyone spouting them would be cut off and banned. According to the Brown Act, he said, speakers are required to comment only on issues or items within the purview of the commission. Nonetheless, a handful of people, when unmuted, engaged in racist rants before being quickly shut down by administrators.

Problem for cities

The calls were similar to those heard at recent Monterey and Pacific Grove city council meetings that have officials arguing over the best way to address them. P.G. Mayor Bill Peake unilaterally banned commenting via Zoom, a move opposed by city councilman Luke Coletti.

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Jacinto Salazar

Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Pining for her pet

These days, Sadie is feeling a little lonely. The Corgi Welsh Corgi, born and raised in Southern California, has grown up alongside her beloved person all eight years of her life. Yet her person, who was growing up too, left home this fall to spend her first semester at CSU Monterey Bay. She misses Sadie, as well.

Sadie became part of her family as a puppy because Dad wanted one. Although he'd had Labradors all his life, a friend bred Corgis, and Dad became connected to the royal breed whenever he visited the household.

"Sadie is like a Rottweiler trapped in a Corgi's body," her collegiate person said. "She barks like a big dog when strangers come, but won't do any harm. My dad gets scared when we're playing and I put my head next to hers. He's afraid she's going to bite me."



Sadie's person asked her pup if she'd ever do that, and she cocked her head, seemingly confused by the question. Her person knows Sadie never will.

"Sadie's really sweet," the young woman said. "She likes being petted and will nudge you if you stop. We warn people, once they start, they won't be allowed to stop."

However, when Sadie's person recently came home for a visit, Sadie made her pay for her absence, walking right past her as if they'd never met.

"Finally, she followed me up the stairs," her person said. "I'm not sure whether she was warming up to me or if she just wanted breakfast."

Having grown up in the Central Valley, Sadie lives nearly four hours from the Monterey Peninsula, so she's never been to the beach. And, since she hates riding in the car – possibly because she can't see out the window – her person imagines she's not visiting any time soon.

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Carmel Valley couple sues county, medical co. over son's death in jail

By CHRIS COUNTS

COMING AT a time when the Monterey County Jail and its medical services provider, Wellpath LLC, are under scrutiny for the mistreatment of inmates, Eric and Patricia Sand of Carmel Valley are suing the county, Wellpath and others over the death last year of their son, David Sand, while he was incarcerated in the jail.

Sand, who was diagnosed with schizophrenia, was jailed April 30, 2022. According to the family's attorney, Jamie Goldstein, he was arrested for a probation violation.

The plaintiffs contend that while jail officials were familiar with Sand's schizophrenia from previous incarcerations, he "never underwent a psychiatric evaluation and was never provided treatment for his schizoaffective disorder from the time of intake on April 30, 2022, until the time of his death."

The lawsuit indicates that Sand requested medication on Sept. 23, 2022, but "no mental health providers saw him to evaluate him further." His condition became worse over the next couple weeks, and by Oct. 12, he was "acting bizarre and refusing deputy orders to move to a different cell, a sign of paranoia consistent with schizophrenia."

"He was also suffering from delusional thoughts, hearing voices and hallucinations," court papers say. "His mental health was deteriorating, but custody staff ignored his need for care and no treatment was provided."

Stabbed by inmate

Eight days later, Sand was stabbed five times by an inmate. He was treated by nurses, but never received a follow-up appointment with a physician or "a full mental health evaluation."

"The traumatic experience required further mental health treatment," the lawsuit says. "Moreover, Mr. Sand was showing multiple signs of deterioration at this point, none of which were addressed."

"In the early morning hours" of Nov. 12, Sand suffered a mental health crisis, and began excessively drinking water.

"He continuously moved on and off his bed consuming water either from the sink or toilet," court papers describe. "This went on for at least an hour, with him leaving the bed and drinking water and then returning to the bed at least 20 times."

Sand also "at some point cut his legs and attempted writing with his blood."

Welfare checks fail

The lawsuit indicates that "during this time," three deputies who worked at the jail were keeping an eye on the inmate.

"At least three welfare checks were 'performed,' but no one addressed Mr. Sand's behavior or serious medical condition," the plaintiffs contend. "He was likely dying on the floor with a pool of blood near him, but no one acknowledged his grave condition."

One of three deputies discovered that Sand had died.

At 3:45 a.m., a fifth welfare check on him was performed, according to the lawsuit, but a deputy who walked past his cell did nothing.

"It is only when he walks past the cell a second time that he uses a flashlight and sees Mr. Sand's lifeless body on the ground," the lawsuit says. "When Mr. Sand was removed from the cell, he had muscle rigidity suggesting that he had been dead for a period of time."

The plaintiffs argue that the three deputies "had more than sufficient opportunities

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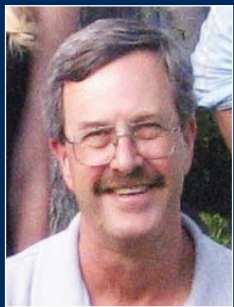


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Police & Sheriff's Log

Woman claims stalking by gardener

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.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Citizen turned a found wallet in to an officer who was out on patrol downtown at 0216 hours.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury accident vehicle-vs.-parked vehicle on Junipero Street.

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

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Mother reported her 6-year-old child notified her he was home alone. Officers arrived on scene and found the child was at home with his father. Father stated he stepped outside to take a phone call. Information only.

Pacific Grove: Officers were dispatched to a reported battery between a mother and adult daughter on Arkwright Court.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

Pacific Grove: Report of a possible battery which occurred at a skilled nursing facility on Lighthouse Avenue.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

Carmel Valley: Deputies documented an argument between brothers on El Caminito.

Carmel Valley: Deputies documented a reported fraud on Cachagua Road.

Carmel Valley: Adult Protective Services report of mental abuse at Del Mesa Carmel.

Pebble Beach: APS report of physical abuse on Forest Lodge Road.

Carmel Valley: A theft from a vehicle on Cachagua Road was reported.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury accident on San Carlos Street.

Pacific Grove: Fall on public property.

Pacific Grove: PGPD received a report of possible abuse at a nursing home. A report was taken.

Pacific Grove: Officers were dispatched after report of battery on Sinex.

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in the Real Estate Section



The gavel falls

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

Oct. 2 — A jury found Salinas resident Ivan Rico, 26, guilty of carrying a loaded firearm in a vehicle. The jury also found Rico guilty of carrying a concealed firearm in a vehicle while out on pretrial release. The Honorable Judge Rafael Vazquez presided over the five-day trial.

On July 3, 2018, a vehicle that Rico was driving was stopped by Salinas Police Sgt. Zachary Dunagan, who searched the vehicle and found a concealed, loaded firearm that was not registered to Rico. On April 13, 2020, Rico was contacted by Salinas Police Department Officer Jorge Magana in an apartment complex. Rico was seen getting out of the driver's seat of a vehicle. A search of the vehicle revealed a concealed, loaded firearm that was not registered to him.

The case was investigated by Dunagan, Officer Nicolas Reyes, Officer Ian Kile, Officer Jorge Magana, Officer Peter Magallon, Officer Francisco Hernandez DeLeon and Officer Patrick Hane of the Salinas Police Department.

Judge Vazquez remanded Rico to custody following the guilty verdict. He faces up to five years and eight months in prison and a fine pursuant to Penal Code section 1170(h).

Oct. 13 — Armando Aleman Perez, 70, from Salinas, was sentenced to 30 years in prison by Judge Rafael Vazquez after pleading guilty to three counts of Penal Code Section 288(b)(1), forcible lewd act upon a child under 14 years old. All three counts are violent felonies and are considered "strikes" under California's three strikes law. He will be required to register as a sex offender for life.

Perez sexually molested two relatives beginning when they were each approximately 6 years old. He would do so after their mother would drop them off with him while she was working. Perez told the victims that he would have the pit bulls that he bred and raised attack them if they told anyone. Both victims disclosed the abuse two years after it occurred, but detectives at the time were unable to locate the suspect. In 2022, the investigation was reopened by the late Officer Jorge Ernesto Alvarado, who located the suspect. Subsequently Perez was taken into custody by the Salinas Police Department.

Salinas Police Officer Jorge Ernesto Alvarado investigated the case, and district attorney victim advocates Sonia Buenrostro and Estella Sanchez assisted the victims throughout the court process.

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Five busted for assaulting, robbing man in downtown Monterey

By MARY SCHLEY

THREE TEENAGERS and two men in their early 20s were arrested Monday afternoon for robbing a man on a busy downtown Monterey street in broad daylight and then beating him up, according to Monterey Police Lt. Gabriel Kaster.

On Nov. 13 at 1:45 p.m., officers were sent to the 300 block of Alvarado Street on

a report of five suspects battering a man and then leaving on foot toward the shore. "The victim reported that a female stole \$50 from him and four males punched him numerous times," Kaster said. "The victim suffered minor injuries."

Monterey P.D. officers searched the area and located the group near San Carlos Beach, about a mile away from the scene of the attack. They identified the suspects as Monterey residents Sarah Klapper, 18, 22-year-old Daniel Chavez and Jacob Bradley, 23, and Seaside residents Efrain Mora-Velasco and Isaiah Solomon, both 19.

Chavez was arrested for robbery and conspiracy, and Mora-Velasco was booked for those charges as well as possession of narcotics and paraphernalia. Their bail was set at \$80,000. Bradley and Solomon were booked on

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Daniel Chavez



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Lion arrested for DUI, gets TRO

By MARY SCHLEY

BRUCE LION, the 61-year-old Carmel Highlands resident and ag company executive arrested in September for blocking Highway 1, throwing rocks at cars and assaulting construction workers, and who has been warned to stay away from Pebble Beach and a downtown Carmel bar, was arrested by Monterey P.D. last week for DUI.

He is also the subject of a temporary restraining order filed by a 22-year-old Carmel Valley woman.

'Very drunk'

According to Monterey police records, Lion was arrested in the area of Pacific and Madison streets at 1:40 a.m. Nov. 8 and booked into Monterey County Jail, though he was soon released on bail. He was

charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and drugs.

Two days earlier, Monterey County Superior Court Judge Vanessa Vallarta signed a temporary restraining order keeping Lion from coming within 100 feet of Hannah Dreher, her home and her workplace. Dreher, who doesn't know Lion personally, filed a civil harassment suit against him after he showed up at her work Nov. 2 and refused to leave.

"Bruce Lion came into my work clearly very drunk. He cornered me and was saying he wanted to show me pictures on his phone, at first normal pictures, then he began to show me inappropriate photos of himself and others," she wrote in her request for the restraining order. "He started touching my arms and leg. I asked

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POLICE: DRIVER HIT MAN ON PURPOSE

By KELLY NIX

A ROAD rage incident last week led one driver to intentionally strike the other with his vehicle, according to the Monterey Police Department.

Police said that on Nov. 6 at about 5:25 p.m., officers were called to the 600 block of Casanova Avenue for a vehicle incident involving two drivers that escalated into a physical fight. After the fisticuffs ended, police said that William Keith Holland, 24, of Monterey, "purposely struck the other driver with his vehicle as he was leaving the scene."

"Holland then crashed his vehicle into the victim's vehicle, which caused major damage to both" cars, police said, adding that Holland fled the scene on foot.

By the time officers arrived, they found the unidentified 36-year-old male victim in the road, injured.

"Monterey Fire Department personnel and American Medical Response paramedics responded to the scene, provided immediate aid and transported the victim to Natividad Trauma Center," Monterey PD said.

Will recover

Officers found Holland at his house and arrested and booked him into jail on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon and hit and run with great bodily injury. His bail was set at \$40,000. Monterey County Jail records indicate he's no longer behind bars, and the sheriff's office said it didn't have a booking photo for him.

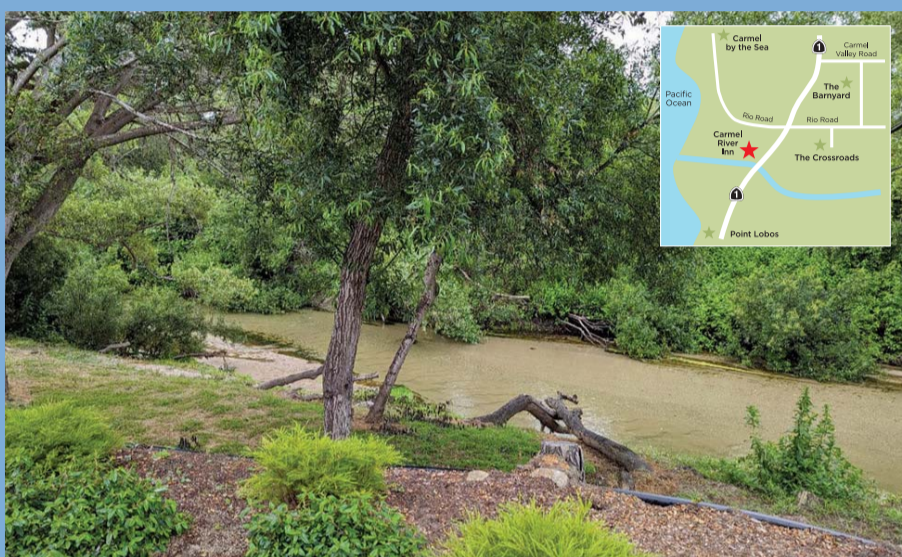
"The victim sustained non-life-threatening injuries," Monterey Police Lt. Gabriel Kaster told The Pine Cone, "And I do not know if he has been released from

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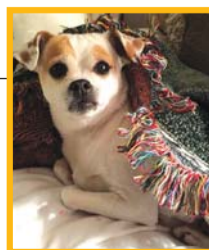


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Celebrating Dr. David Straface

Honoring Straface's more than 30 years of service as he prepares for retirement

DR. DAVID STRAFACE, A WELL-RESPECTED PRIMARY CARE DOCTOR at Montage Medical Group, will embark on a well-earned retirement at the end of this year. With a remarkable career spanning nearly three decades, Straface has left an indelible mark on the medical community and has touched the lives of countless patients in Monterey County.

Straface joined Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula in 1995 and since then has earned a reputation for diligently serving his patients. "I have loved learning about my patients, and also learning from my patients," Straface says. "I became a doctor because practicing medicine is the perfect mix of science and humanity. I am grateful to have practiced medicine in our unique community."

Straface was a founding doctor of Peninsula Primary Care — now Montage Medical Group — when it began operating in 2009. He has made a profound impact

on his patients' lives by providing personalized and high-quality care, for which he was recognized in 2021 when his Community Hospital medical staff peers honored him with the Physician of the Year award.

"For nearly three decades, Dr. Straface has provided extraordinary care to his patients and to our community," says Dr. Steven Packer, President and CEO of Montage Health. "Dr. Straface brings the rare combination of empathy, intelligence, and expertise to the care he provides, and will truly be missed as he enters into a well-deserved retirement."

Straface's impact extends beyond patient care. He served as the medical director for Montage Medical Group, was on the board of directors from 2009 to 2021, and participated in numerous committees and workgroups that shaped the area's healthcare landscape. His calm and balanced demeanor, along with his commitment to patient-centric care, have been an inspiration to his



Dr. David Straface, Montage Medical Group

colleagues and a source of reassurance to the community.

As Straface prepares to enter retirement, he leaves a legacy of exceptional care and unwavering dedication that will be cherished by his patients, colleagues, and the entire medical community. His absence will be felt, but his influence will undoubtedly endure.

"While we're sad to see Dr. Straface go, we wish him well and are extremely grateful for the impact he made throughout his career," says Dr. Mark Carvalho, Chief Executive Officer of Montage Medical Group. "That impact will certainly be felt by our new doctors who fill his space."

Throughout the years, Montage Medical Group has made sig-

nificant strides in expanding its workforce, welcoming 34 new providers since 2020. This growth, along with a decrease in the doctor turnover rate, is a testament to Montage Medical Group's commitment to providing world-class medical professionals to Monterey County residents.

Straface's legacy will continue to inspire and guide future generations of medical professionals, ensuring that Monterey County communities receive high-quality care for years to come.

"I'm thankful to the people of our community whom I have had the opportunity to care for," Straface says, "and I feel privileged and honored to have shared in their lives."

"For nearly three decades, Dr. Straface has provided extraordinary care to his patients and to our community. Dr. Straface brings the rare combination of empathy, intelligence, and expertise to the care he provides, and will truly be missed as he enters into a well-deserved retirement."

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Big Sur Land Trust pays more than \$8 million for Carmel Valley ranch

By CHRIS COUNTS

TO PRESERVE what the group is calling a “critical wildlife corridor,” the Big Sur Land Trust last week paid \$8,680,000 to acquire the 5,105-acre Basin Ranch in Upper Carmel Valley. The seller was Rancho Lucia LLC, headed by businessman Randall C. Pura. The land trust had been working on the deal for four years.

According to Big Sur Land Trust president Jeannette Tuitele-Lewis, the land

depend on,” said Lewis. “As we restore these oak woodlands, annual and perennial grasslands, and seasonal creeks and streams, we will be revitalizing the lands and waterways that these species need to survive.”

Includes parcels, ponds

A real estate listing at land.com offers some details about the ranch, including that it’s hosting a “small cow/calf operation.” It also has 22 parcels — which might have made it suitable for a housing development — and three wells, along with multiple ponds, reservoirs and natural springs.

The acquisition significantly increases the amount of acreage the land trust is managing in the county. “This acquisition more than doubles the land owned and managed directly by Big Sur Land Trust to over 9,000 acres countywide,” Lewis reported.

Plans call for the Esselen Tribe of Monterey County to co-manage the property. “The Big Sur Land Trust will be partnering with the tribe to help

conserve and enhance the natural and cultural resources of Basin Ranch,” the land trust’s top official said.

Taxpayers, donors pitch in

A portion of the money that paid for the ranch came from taxpayers, while some of it came from private donors. “We are grateful to the California Department of Fish



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The Big Sur Land Trust recently acquired the 5,105-acre Basin Ranch in Upper Carmel Valley, and will co-manage the land with Esselen Tribe of Monterey County.

— which is located near the intersection of Carmel Valley Road and Arroyo Seco Road about 14 miles west of Greenfield — provides rich habitat for a wide variety of flora and fauna. Wildlife cameras on-site have captured images of mountain lions, badgers, gray foxes, golden eagles and great horned owls.

“By preventing potential development, the acquisition of Basin Ranch protects important habitats that many animals

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Sours resigns from forest and beach

By MARY SCHLEY

EXPRESSING FRUSTRATION with Carmel's public works department, Brian Sours resigned from the forest and beach commission last Wednesday night, less than 24 hours before the next meeting.

In a Nov. 8 email to Mayor Dave Potter and Vice Mayor Bobby Richards, Sours wrote, "I feel the last couple years of service have not resulted in enough support from the city's public works department."

Sours was appointed to the commission by the city council in January 2021 after Potter and Richards identified him as the best candidate among 10 applicants, including incumbent Al Saroyan.

In his application, Sours said he had always wanted to participate in Carmel city government and believed his years of experience as a financial manager, which included leading committees and boards, would be helpful.

"I believe I could provide similar leadership to the forest and beach commission team," he wrote in his September 2020 application.

More useful elsewhere

But his service didn't pan out as he envisioned.

"I think my time is better spent supporting volunteer organizations that are really getting important work completed," Sours said in his Nov. 8 letter. "I will be an active resident in [lending] my voice to issues that support the improvement and safety of our living environment and safeguard the assets that are important to all our residents."

Most recently, he sparred with public works director Bob Harary and his staff over proposed rules for beach cleanups, and he requested that the forest and beach commission declare a state of emergency on the beach due to the repairs needed to make it safer.

At last month's meeting, which turned out to be his last, Sours requested an agenda item for a future meeting stating that "we believe there's an emergency at the beach for infrastructure repair."

"I don't think we as a commission have pushed that as a recommendation," he said. "If we could do that as an agenda item and make that statement, I'd like to get that on the record."

But Harary said at the Nov. 9 meeting that such a declaration is outside the authority of the forest and beach commission.

"I want to make it clear to the forest and beach commission that all items must be within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body," he said, adding that he had conferred with the city attorney, and declaring any kind of emergency comes under the authority of the city council, the city administrator, and in some cases, the public safety director, according to the municipal code.

At the commission's Nov. 9 meeting, chair JC Myers announced that Sours had resigned. The city will accept applications for replacements, and city administrator Chip Rerig said he's planning on mid-December interviews, with Potter and Richards making a recommendation to the council the following month on the best candidate to appoint to serve the remainder of his term, which expires May 30, 2025.

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Skateboard ramps could be set up in P.G. parking lot

By KELLY NIX

WHILE THE City of Pacific Grove still hasn't found a suitable location for a permanent skatepark — and may never find one — council members this week voted to explore setting up temporary ramps for skaters in a city parking lot.

Though repeated efforts to find a location in P.G. for a skatepark have failed, including this spring, the council decided Wednesday that it would look at setting up ramps in an employee parking lot adjacent to the city's youth center and behind the fire department for a 90-day trial run.

"I'm in favor of a program in a parking lot behind the youth center to see how it goes and the participation," said Councilwoman Debby Beck, who made the proposal.

Councilmembers Joe Amelio and Chaps Poduri liked the idea, with Amelio recommending the ramps be installed for 90 days.

Noise concerns

"We do need to provide more kid services in our community," said Poduri, adding that he also believes a trial run is good to determine "if the community really needs" a skatepark.

Councilman Luke Coletti, though, noted that efforts in the spring and in 2000 and 2006 to find a permanent location were unsuccessful, and he wondered why the city should bother with temporary ramps.

"There are no sites that won't impact residential neighborhoods," Coletti said.

He said residents who live on 17th Street who might be impacted by skating noise should be notified about the idea.

Mayor Bill Peake, echoing two citizens who addressed the council at the meeting,

including former Mayor Carmelita Garcia, said that efforts to pursue a skatepark should cease.

"I think we need to just end it here because I don't see where this is really going to lead," Peake said.

Not as good

Unlike a meeting in early April, when dozens of passionate adults and children packed council chambers and argued for a facility, only one person, a member of the city's recreation board, spoke in favor of the idea Wednesday, something councilwoman Lori McDonnell noted.

"None of the people who were proponents of the skatepark are here advocating," McDonnell said. "That makes me wonder, did they only want a skatepark if it's a very big project?"

It's possible that more experienced skateboarders won't be satisfied with temporary ramps and features, which are much different than dedicated facilities with paved, swimming pool-like bowls such as those in the cities of Monterey, Seaside and Marina.

Interim city manager Robert Perrault recommended that city hall staff inform nearby residents of the idea and to return to the council with more information, including potential liability issues, the cost of the ramps and possible hours of operation.

The council voted 4-2, in favor of the idea, with Coletti and Peake dissenting and councilman Nick Smith absent.

In July, the city's recreation board also recommended that the public works yard on Sunset be considered as a possible location, but director Daniel Gho said in a report to council this week that the location posed too many problems and would impact city operations.

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Updated Big Sur Land Use plan inches toward finish line

By CHRIS COUNTS

MORE THAN a decade after the Big Sur and South Coast land use advisory councils began the arduous task of updating the Big Sur Land Use Plan to deal with changes in tourism, housing needs, increased fire danger and other problems in the remote community, Monterey County has released a nearly complete version of the document and tentatively scheduled a county planning commission workshop on it for Dec. 13.

Adopted and certified by the California Coastal Commission in 1986 after a public process that lasted more than a decade, the Big Sur Land Use Plan guides — and strictly limits — development. While much of the new plan is still focused on protecting Big Sur's scenery and natural resources, there's now an increased emphasis on making affordable housing available, addressing the overcrowding of Highway 1 due to the pressure of increased tourism, and better preparing public agencies and private landowners to contend with the ever-present threat of wildfire.

While there are "several specific remaining issues" that remain unresolved in the document, those who are updating it say they want to get public feedback before moving forward, and they are confident that the workshop will help to finalize the last details.

"We are sending this draft document out now to allow both the planning commission and the public ample time to review it," planning commissioners Martha Diehl and Kate Daniel said in a letter to their fellow commissioners. "It is our sincere hope that the upcoming public workshop will

provide the information and broad perspective we need to complete our recommendations successfully."

In the letter, Diehl and Daniels call the existing plan the "gold standard" for local land use plans. As such, they suggest changes to it "should not be made unnecessarily or lightly."

"The current plan by all measures has generally worked much as it was intended to do," the letter continues. "It strives to protect private property rights, provide the greatest possible access for the public, protect the natural environment, and promote physical and economic viability for the resident community through several specific, innovative, and interrelated provisions. By all accounts, the plan balances sometimes-competing interests reasonably successfully."

Reflecting changing times

Much has changed in Big Sur since the plan received the blessing of the state's coastal watchdog agency. For instance, back in 1977 when the plan was developed, those who were creating it determined that Highway 1 in Big Sur had a carrying capacity of 1.7 million vehicles per year. Today, the phrase "carrying capacity" is practically taboo, while an estimated 5 million vehicles visit Big Sur annually.

Noting that "traffic conditions in some places can significantly detract from the driving experience," Diehl and Daniels want to put a cap on anything that makes traffic worse. "Any development that would increase highway trips should be discouraged," the letter suggests.

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Short-term rentals existed only under the radar back in 1986, so the old plan makes no mention of them. The new version, however, suggests they should not be allowed down the coast, in part due to the increased traffic they bring. It's uncertain how the coastal commission will react to a ban on vacation stays in Big Sur neighborhoods — the agency has previously deemed them legal in coastal zones.

The plan declares that “the viability of the Big Sur community is threatened.”

“There has been significantly more public acquisition of private land than was anticipated in 1986,” it reads. “Increased public lands and greater public visitation require increased management. The changing social, industrial, and economic landscape has made it increasingly difficult to live and work in Big Sur.”

Another section suggests that “new and innovative” planning tools are needed “to ensure the community’s long-term viability.”

“It is also necessary to preserve and enhance the Big Sur community and its neighborhoods,” it says.

“Big Sur employers report it is becoming increasingly difficult for employees to obtain affordable housing in Big Sur to provide visitor-serving services. Moreover, the Big Sur community is an integral part of the uniqueness of Big Sur, and the community certainly enhances the experience for visitors to the area.”

Groups chime in

The Community Association of Big Sur complimented Diehl and Daniels for their efforts to get the update completed, and endorsed several parts of it.

“What leaps out to the Community Association of Big Sur in the update is the clarity regarding removal of dangerous

fuels, short-term rentals, and housing for locals employed at our Big Sur businesses,” the group’s executive director, Patte Kronlund, said.

According to Kronlund, a group of community volunteers — including Dick Ravich, Steve Beck, David Smiley, Mike Caplin and the late Mary Trotter — “put their energy” into updating the plan by meeting “tirelessly” on Mondays for more than 10 years. Kronlund singled out Trotter in particular for her dedication. She passed away in September. Diehl and Daniels joined the effort to update the plan two years ago.

‘Over capacity’

Also commenting was Keep Big Sur Wild. The group is opposed to development in the critical viewshed of Highway 1, and also don’t want to see any new visitor-serving units created — two things they believe the plan could enable.

“We are concerned although the LUP update acknowledges that the two-lane highway is well over its intended capacity, it seems to be considering allowances for further development,” the group responded. “We appreciate the intentions of the county to preserve the intentions of the original plan, and we

will present detailed comments and suggestions during the planning commission workshop scheduled for December after we have thoroughly reviewed the newly released draft.”

So what happens after the Dec. 13 workshop? There might be a second workshop, or the plan could move on to the planning commission for review. “It’s either going to be another workshop or a hearing,” Daniels said.

If the planning commission adopts the plan, it will move on to the board of supervisors, and ultimately, to the coastal commission.

‘The viability of the Big Sur community is threatened.’

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).

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City won't accept more bids for historic preservation tax break

■ Applications already filed will be subject to current rules

By MARY SCHLEY

SHOULD THE policy that provides tax breaks to owners of historic buildings be changed to lessen the impact on city and school district revenues? The city council decided last Tuesday to put the whole program on hold while that question and others are answered, and the rules potentially changed.

"The Mills Act is the single most important economic incentive program in California for the restoration and preservation of qualified historic buildings by private property owners," principal planner

Marnie Waffle said in her presentation to the council Nov. 7. The Mills Act has existed since 1972, but jurisdictions get to choose whether they participate and what its criteria are, including limits on the number of contracts.

The city's Mills Act program started when its Local Coastal Program was certified in 2004, and 15 contracts have been approved since then, but some council members have grown increasingly concerned about giving up tax dollars in exchange for preserving significant buildings.

What happens next?

Last month, the council voted to table four Mills Act applications it was set to consider after Patrice Pastor's bid to put

more than \$1.3 million into preserving the Frank Lloyd Wright House in exchange for a significant reduction in property taxes failed on a 2-3 vote, with council members Alissandra Dramov, Baron and Karen Ferlito dissenting.

Designed by Wright in the late 1940s and completed in 1952 for Della Walker, the Cabin on the Rocks, as it's officially called, is the world-famous architect's only ocean-front home and remained in Walker's family until Pastor purchased it in February for \$22 million. The house is listed on the city's historic inventory, as well as the state and national registers, and the city council in August 2019 approved a Mills Act contract for the former owners, but it was never recorded with Monterey County and therefore wasn't in place when Pastor purchased the house.

The council never got to the point of discussing the three other applications on the Nov. 7 agenda. As with the Frank Lloyd Wright House, the historic resources board had recommended the council approve contracts for the Cosmas House on Lopez northwest of Fourth, the Agnes Shorting House on Third northwest of Junipero, and the Cypress Inn at Lincoln and Seventh.

"At the meeting on Oct. 3, the action that was taken was to continue all four of those items to a date uncertain, so that would be all four contracts," city attorney Brian Pierik reminded the council. He also clarified that the pending applications "would be governed by current policies."

"The rules that will apply will be the rules that were in effect when those applications were received earlier in 2023," he said.

Money questions

Acting on the council's request for more information, the planning department reached out to 73 cities and counties that have Mills Act programs and heard back from 40, according to Waffle's report. The majority impose no restrictions on the contracts, which require a 10-year work plan and are renewed annually unless either side decides to cancel. Seventeen cities impose restrictions such as caps on the number of contracts and limits on assessed valuation or on the amount of tax revenues lost. A couple only allow the contracts for residences.

The city's program requires five findings mostly relating to the historical significance of a building and its integrity. The fifth requires finding that the contract "will represent an equitable balance of public and private interests and will not result in a substantial adverse financial impact on the city." Council members have sparred over what that means.

Jeff Baron, a consistent critic of the program, has argued that the impacts on the Carmel Unified School District, which gets most of its funding from property taxes, should be taken into account, while councilman Bobby Richards has maintained that the finding refers only to the impact on the city's coffers, not those beyond its borders.

According to figures provided by Waffle, the city lost \$9,123.76 in property taxes during the 2022-2023 fiscal year due to its 15 active Mills Act contracts, while CUSD was deprived of 10 times that. The Carmel school district's 2023-2024 budget anticipates receiving \$69,427,457 in property taxes.

To address the revenue issue, nine cities and counties in the state limit Mills Act candidate properties by capping their assessed values. Beverly Hills, for instance, will only grant the contracts to properties assessed at a maximum of \$8 million for residential, \$10 million for multifamily residential and \$7.5 million for commercial, while Monterey County's caps are \$3 million for residential and \$5 million for commercial, as are San Francisco's. Fullerton's cap is an assessed value of \$800,000.

'Bargain'

Polly Osborne, president of the local chapter of the AIA, asked the council not to exclude properties based on assessed value, "because it goes out of date really quickly around here."

"I bet within three years you can't buy a doghouse in Carmel for \$3 million," she observed.

Jill Petker said the contracts are a reasonable way to encourage historic preservation, but that they should require more than the routine maintenance that all responsible homeowners undertake. She also suggested basing the tax break on what the owner spends on rehabilitation, preservation and maintenance.

Historic Resources Board member Karyl Hall observed that Baron "has twice questioned the need to approve the Mills Act for wealthy investors" and cautioned against basing decisions on applicants' finances.

"You must concentrate on the historic resource itself, not the owner," she said. "How much is enough wealth to deny an application? Is it liquid wealth to spend on a project? How would we determine this? Is this our business? Can a person of any wealth just not invest in their historic property? Of course, they can just let it deteriorate. Aren't we here to save our historic buildings rather than concern ourselves with an individual's financial portfolio?"

She suggested the city get an estimate of the tax savings from the Monterey County Assessor's Office before deciding on a contract to ensure the owner isn't actually making a profit on the deal.

Architect Christopher Barlow with Wald, Ruhnke & Dost said the lost tax dollars are "an incredible bargain," considering that the city "has compelled dozens of property owners to preserve their properties in immaculate condition."

Resident Kristi Reimers said she supports the Mills Act, and she focused on finding No. 5. "You cannot make a sound decision on an application," she said, without knowing the tax implications. Reimers

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SPEECH

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The short-lived ban, however, was reversed at a council meeting Wednesday.

Carmel, meanwhile, is transitioning to Zoom's Webinar platform, which gives administrators greater control over participants as they speak, Swanson told The Pine Cone. While three administrators, including Swanson, had to work together to quash profane and racist speakers during the Nov. 8 planning commission meeting under the usual Zoom Meetings rules, only one person would have to handle the task under Webinar.

Automatically muted

"Attendees can still use the 'raise hand' feature to signal their desire to speak, but they cannot unmute themselves. When an attendee is recognized, the meeting clerk or host will grant them permission to unmute for their allotted speaking time, typically three minutes," a Q&A on the city's website explains. "The speaker will be automatically muted again once they have finished speaking or when the three-minute time limit is reached. Attendees will not be allowed to screen share or turn on their video."

In the meetings platform, participants "can easily share video, audio and screens/applications, fostering a dynamic exchange of ideas," according to the city, while Zoom Webinars mimic conferences held in auditoriums, where only the host and panelists are given the power to share.

Audience members can still "raise their hands" to speak, but stricter security measures help administrators maintain control over when people are unmuted and share video. The weakness in Zoom Meetings is that "attackers looking to 'bomb a meeting' create a churn of connections

that cannot be practically managed, ultimately breaking through and creating the disruption," according to the city. "Zoom Webinars allows for attendee video and audio to be initially disabled, and later enabled and unmuted as appropriate."

Those who want to participate in public meetings online will be prompted to provide their names so the host can call on them when they want to comment, though users have the ability to name themselves whatever they want. Participants must enter their email addresses to get into a meeting, but that information won't be visible to anyone. The Webinar platform also doesn't allow attendees to see who else is online.

The new platform was used at this month's council meetings without incident, but the planning commission meeting and others set for this month will have to be conducted under the prior instructions, putting Swanson and other administrators on tenterhooks as they worked to keep on top of any inappropriate comments. No one

attempted to sabotage the forest and beach commission meeting last week or this week's ad hoc committee meeting on housing.

'Reasonable regulations'

Meanwhile, the Pacific Grove City Council decided 6-0, with councilman Nick Smith absent, to direct city attorney Brian Pierik to return to the panel within 40 days with a draft resolution allowing remote public comment and with "reasonable regulations" associated with the practice.

The idea is to try to control offensive language. At an Oct. 18 P.G. council meeting, an organized group of disruptors used Zoom to sabotage the meeting by using racial slurs and numerous antisemitic remarks.

Several Pacific Grove residents have made the point that remote comment allows older people and those with health issues to participate in public meetings when they otherwise couldn't.

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DEI

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responder training; audit classroom climate and create inclusive classrooms and anti-racism curriculum; review and update equity plans; and expedite implementation of a diversity, equity and inclusion “integration plan.”

‘Will take time’

Salazar told The Pine Cone this week that he’s committed to working with students and employees to determine what MPC is doing well in terms of DEI, and also where the school’s “pain points are.”

“Initially, I will do a lot of listening,” he said. “I will engage in assessment, create realistic and measurable DEI goals that reflect our campus’ needs, and then work hard to achieve those goals with my colleagues.”

The director said that involves assessing how students and staff “experience daily interactions and how they feel the institution addresses and responds to their needs.”

The results of that work, MPC said, would be used to analyze campus policies, which the college said is “essential” to “understand how the institution functions and if the policies allow for an inclusive and equitable experience so that everyone can reach their full potential, whether they are students or work to serve students.”

However, Salazar said systemic racism is “a complex issue that requires ongoing scrutiny and commitment to fostering inclusivity and equality,” and suggested it would be a lengthy process.

“Developing and implementing strategies and initiatives that promote inclusion, diversity, equity, anti-racism and accessibility requires trust and time,” he said.

Once Salazar comes up with the college’s DEI goals, they will be presented to the MPC board of trustees.

The MPC effort comes several years after the creation of the Pacific Grove Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Task Force — which has been lauded by some residents who believe the town is racist but has been criticized by others for being unnecessary and divisive. Mayor Bill Peake is among those who feel the panel has failed to be a unifier.

“While the purpose of the DEI task force was to bring people together, it has done the opposite,” Peake told

resident Dan Miller in August after Miller protested that the panel cut off a citizen from speaking.

A DEI task force member a few months ago suggested on social media that a seemingly inoffensive comment by a 74-year-old resident was comparable to words by Nazi Germany’s chief propagandist, who called for the extermination of the Jewish people.

Enthusiasm among the P.G. DEI task force’s five members appears to be waning. At Monday’s meeting only one showed up, and seldom are all the members present.

Brown takes over as All Saints head of school

By CHRIS COUNTS

ALL SAINTS Day School assistant principal Sara Brown will take over as its head next year. In turn, the school’s current head, Scott Fujita, will become the school’s new board chair.

Fujita, who played linebacker for the 2009 Super Bowl champion New Orleans Saints, called Brown “the right person to take what has been built and drive the school forward.”

“The school is in a remarkably different place than it was five years ago,” Fujita said, referring to when he was hired. “We’ve thought a lot about what’s best for our children, and about what will take All Saints to even greater heights.”

All Saints said Fujita “shepherded the school to new levels of financial security in spite of the global pandemic and oversaw a campus transformation larger than any in its history, with new academic, athletic, and performance

facilities either completed or in process.”

Fujita said he’s looking forward to collaborating with Brown in her new role.

“I am excited to continue working closely with Sara and her leadership team,” he said. “Much of my current work will continue as I remain heavily involved in the school’s strategic plan to help ensure All Saints’ continued success.”

A member of the faculty at All Saints since 2004, Brown took over as assistant head of school in 2019. She welcomes her new position.

“I am filled with excitement and a deep sense of responsibility as I look forward to taking on the role of head of school,” she said in an email to parents. “It is both an honor and a privilege to step into this position and to be entrusted with the education and well-being of your children.” She said she was proud of the school’s progress and committed to using its recent achievements as “stepping-stones for continued growth.”

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Marina loses groundwater lawsuit

By KELLY NIX

AN APPEALS court has joined the trial court in rejecting a lawsuit filed by the City of Marina, which challenged a Monterey County agency's management of a groundwater basin where Cal Am wants to install wells for its long-sought desalination plant.

In a 2019 lawsuit filed in Monterey County Superior Court, Marina sought an order directing the county to refrain from taking any action to manage the groundwater beneath the old Cemex sand plant site where Cal Am wants its wells. It also asked the court to order the state Department of Water Resources to remove the Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency as exclusive manager of the water.

But in August 2021, Monterey County Superior Court Judge Thomas Wills decided against Marina, ruling that the Department of Water Resources determined correctly that, due to an overlap in the Cemex area between the Salinas Valley agency and Marina, the Cemex area was "unmanaged and the county was therefore the presumptive groundwater sustainability agency with exclusive management" of the area.

Wills also rejected Marina's contention that Monterey County had failed to comply

with a state groundwater management law.

Not pleased with the ruling, the City of Marina appealed its loss to the Sixth Appellate District, which announced this week in a 21-page decision that Wills did not err in his decision.

'Gain control'

The decision, according to Cal Am, clears a major hurdle for the desalination plant, which it says would provide the Monterey Peninsula with a long-term supply of potable water, eliminate overdraining of the Carmel River and end the community's longstanding water shortage.

"The court of appeal rejected the City of Marina's attempt to use the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act to block the Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project," which includes the desal plant, Cal Am spokesman Josh Stratton told The Pine Cone Thursday. Marina "tried to gain control over the highly saline groundwater beneath the 400-acre Cemex site where the MPWSP slant wells will be located, even though the site is part of the much larger 180/400 subbasin and was already being properly managed by the Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency."

The Pine Cone couldn't reach Marina officials Thursday afternoon.

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INTERNET

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residents, and she suggested that Big Sur deserves better internet.

“Reliance on satellite for internet is expensive, and up to now it has been the only option,” she continued. “Good internet is essential — this area produces many millions of dollars in tax revenue each year and deserves a fair shake in the new economy.”

A longtime resident and advisor for the Community Association of Big Sur, Mike Caplin seconded Withrow’s worries about safety.

“Millions of people drive the 75-mile stretch of winding two-lane Highway 1 through the Big Sur Area each year, subject to rockfalls and landslides from steep hill-sides,” Caplin observed. “Most of that stretch of highway has no cell service, which means there is no way to call for help over most of the distance.”

Caplin suggested better cell service could save lives. “People have died in the Big Sur area due to lack of connectivity,” he said. “In 2019, a father who lost his son at a popular public beach in the Big Sur area made a valiant effort to get cell service brought to the area in the hope that other lives might be saved in the event of an emergency, yet there is no service to this day.”

Caplin wrote a letter to the CPUC in June suggesting

that the commission may be relying on census data that incorrectly shows that the median income for those who live in Big Sur is too high to qualify for the program — and mistakenly indicates that population densities down the coast are too low to qualify for the program.

Meanwhile, according to the Community Association of Big Sur, “literally hundreds of billions of dollars have been made available from the Federal Government and the state over the past years, none of which has been allocated to bring these services to Big Sur.”

CPUC map needs work

While the CPUC publishes an online map that shows where broadband is available in Big Sur, a number of locals have pointed out that it is inaccurate. Congressman Jimmy Panetta addressed the issue in a letter he sent to the commission in September, and urged it to correct the information.

“In many areas, the map asserts that parts of Big Sur

are served, when there is not actual reliable and affordable broadband service for those constituents,” Panetta wrote. “These inaccuracies threaten broadband infrastructure investments in Big Sur facilitated by historic federal and state funding.”

Panetta contends that Big Sur “has never had adequate broadband or cellular service,” and the map should make that clear.

“This impacts the ability of businesses to grow, students to learn, families to stay connected, and citizens to connect with their government,” the congressman added. “In addition, sparse connectivity undermines public safety. The region includes scenic but windy stretches of Highway 1 with many gaps in wireless connectivity along the way, hampering first responders in the case of an accident. The area is also threatened by wildfires and connectivity is needed to coordinate fire response and evacuations. These issues will not be addressed if our maps cannot demonstrate the lack of service in the region.”

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the hospital.”

As of Wednesday afternoon, the Monterey County District Attorney's Office had not charged Holland. However, this is the second time this year that he's been arrested on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon. In August, prosecutors charged him with felony assaulting two men with his car on June 16.

Holland “did willfully and unlawfully commit an assault upon Wes Williams and Brian Simpson with a deadly weapon, to wit, vehicle,” according to the DA's office complaint against him. The case is still active.

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LIGHTS

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as well as any other member of the community,” the group announced. “Thus, this will be the legal priority given the installation of the light poles.”

The expansive EIR that was certified by the school board nearly a year ago acknowledges the project’s “significant and unavoidable impacts” on the environment, and Save Carmel observed that during the day, the poles are visible from “county-designated visually ‘sensitive’ and ‘highly sensitive’ areas.” The group also complained that the lights and “iconic tree removal” impact the scenic Highway 1 corridor.

“Prior to the first lighted game or practice, Carmel Unified School District must comply with producing Dark Sky certifications for both the pool lights and stadium lights,” according to the group, which also argues the lights can’t be used until the other parts of the project, including the new parking areas, storage shed, spectator platform, driveway and paths, are built.

“Of highest priority for Save Carmel is how to best protect the environment and guard public safety, especially during nighttime events. In addition to significant and unavoidable light pollution, there are

no safety measures in place for left turns off Morse Drive onto busy Highway 1, which Save Carmel fears will lead to significant, if not deadly accidents,” the group said in its announcement. “Save Carmel will remain active and diligent in its rights to protect residents, parents and students, as well as the beautiful area in which we are so lucky to live.”

Light testing next week

In response, school district interim superintendent Sharon Ofek sent a notice to district parents advising them the lawsuit had been dropped.

“Although the parties did not reach a settlement or court judgment, CUSD is pleased with this outcome,” she said, noting that throughout the litigation, the district “vigorously defended its compliance with the CEQA process.”

“CUSD takes its environmental obligations seriously and completed a careful and comprehensive environmental review before approving the project,” she noted.

“With the litigation now over, CUSD looks forward to completing the project and implementing the measures to mitigate the project’s environmental effects in compliance with the project’s environmental impact report, so that CUSD students, families and the community can enjoy the benefits of the stadium improvements,” she added.

She also advised that the stadium and pool lights will be illuminated Nov. 21 and/or Nov. 22 so the International Dark Sky Association can evaluate them under its Community-Friendly Outdoor Sports Lighting program which, according to the group’s website, measure how much of the light from a playing field escapes to create “backlight, uplight, or glare” from the surrounding area.

For example, all light fixtures “must be designed such as not to emit direct light above the horizon, unless required for the

activity (i.e., aerial sports) being played,” the group’s standards say. Dark Sky certification is required in the high school stadium project EIR.

“For the Dark Sky Association to perform its evaluation, the lights may need to be activated late into the night (midnight or later) on those dates,” she warned. “Access to the stadium, field and pool will be closed during this certification process.”

Ofek did not want to make any additional comments on the lawsuit or the project.

Turkey Trot is back at Laguna Seca

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

AFTER A multi-year hiatus, the Turkey Trot benefiting the Food Bank for Monterey County returns to Laguna Seca raceway on Thanksgiving morning, offering people the rare chance to walk, jog, run, skip, dance or cartwheel their way around the storied racetrack, which opened in November 1957.

On Nov. 23 from 7 to 11 a.m., people can do as many laps of the 2.238-mile course as they want for a mere \$10 donation to the food bank, though the nonprofit will happily accept larger contributions, of course. One of the highlights will be

standing atop the legendary Corkscrew to take in the expansive views of Monterey Bay and the Salinas Valley before descending the signature turn’s six stories — or reversing course and hiking up it to be rewarded with the views while you catch your breath. Dogs are allowed but must always be leashed.

All donations benefit the Food Bank for Monterey County, the area’s largest provider of emergency supplemental food. For every \$1 received, the nonprofit can purchase \$5 worth of food for families in need. Canned and non-perishable food items will also be accepted at the Turkey Trot.

CAROL SANDRA CALCAGNO

Carol Sandra Calcagno, 86, joined her husband, Louie, on November 7th, 2023. She passed in her beautiful home overlooking the Elkhorn Slough, just as she had wished. Her family was with her. Carol was born on October 29th, 1937, in Salinas, CA, to parents Frank and Claire Lanini. Carol grew up in their Spanish-style family home in Salinas, which her father had built for her mother upon their marriage. Across the field was her grandparent’s Victorian home where Carol would run across to her grandmother’s house and play with her cousins, Lorraine, Janice and Lillian Ann, when they visited. Those were very special and happy times for Carol. The homes still stand today and remain in the families. As a young girl, Carol attended Sacred Heart School in Salinas. She and her brother, the late Gerald Lanini, were both very active 4-H members. They raised sheep at the barns behind their family home and became expert showmen, always winning champions and showmanship at local fairs. Their father, Frank Lanini, was their 4-H Leader and when Carol was only 15 years old, her dad passed away at the young age of 45. Carol took this very hard, as she was very close to her father.

Upon attending Salinas High School, Carol met the love of her life, Louis Calcagno. They both had a passion for animals and this drew them together. Louie was in FFA and showed dairy cattle. Together, with their love for animals, they developed an inseparable bond. Carol married Louie in 1956 and moved with him to San Luis Obispo while he attended Cal Poly. In their later years, they used to love to take Sunday rides to San Luis Obispo and drive by the old house where they first lived and talk about old memories. In 1957, Louie and Carol started their dream dairy farm and family in Moss Landing, CA, on Lou’s parents ranch on the Elkhorn Slough.



Carol was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She loved her animals and whenever a baby calf, lamb, duck, etc. was sick, she would bring it into their small one-bathroom house and put them in a box in the bathroom with a heat lamp. She would stay up all night nursing the animal back to health! Carol and Louie were active in the dairy industry. For the annual “June is Dairy Month,” Carol was the chairperson of the decorating committee every year and would have everyone over to the house to make a special centerpiece decoration for all of the tables. She was very creative and everyone loved taking home the decorations. She and Louie were also the chaperones for the Dairy Princess Contestant every year and looked forward to this once-a-year get-away from the ranch to Los Angeles for the state contest. Later in their marriage, Lou decided to run for Monterey County Supervisor. Carol was his greatest supporter and behind the scenes she took care of ever detail for him. He was supervisor for 19 years and Carol, along with her son Louie, ran the dairy and kept everything in order for Lou while he was at the office. Carol and Lou were a great team and counted on each other!

Carol loved cooking, baking and canning. She was best known for her incredible homemade pies! She would make homemade pies for every family dinner — her most popular was banana cream which everyone stood in line for! Carol was also an incredible seamstress. Every year she would take her grandchildren to the fabric store and have them pick out a pattern for a Halloween costume and now her great-grandchildren are wearing those same homemade Halloween costumes. Carol adored her family and would do anything for them. Later in life, Carol enjoyed her grandchildren and great-grandchildren and their sporting events. She and Louie attended all of their football and basketball games in high school to cheer and watch them play. They even had their own box seat at all of the football games! Carol would stand up and yell and cheer louder than anyone in the stands! She was an avid Palma fan and she and Lou never missed a football or basketball game. Even after the grandkids graduated, they still looked forward to attending the games for years to come and support Palma.

Carol worked on the dairy every single day until about five years ago when her knees and hips just gave out from overworking. She was up at the crack of dawn every single morning feeding 100+ baby calves and would then come in the house and fix breakfast for her family. She was one of the hardest working women anyone had ever met! During her final years, she loved going for rides with Louie in the truck and stopping to get a strawberry shake, an ice cream sundae or a hot dog at Wienerschnitzel! In her later years, Carol also developed an affinity for sweet candy and romance novels, which her son, Louie, and daughter-in-law, Carolyn, brought her weekly. Carol also looked forward to her great-grandchildren coming to visit. They made her so happy in her final years and her eyes lit up every time they entered the room! Carol will be deeply missed by her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, but we find solace knowing she is now together with her soul-mate and love of her life! Carol is survived by her son, Louie Calcagno, and his wife, Carolyn; her daughter, Debbie Soares; her grandchildren, Adam Soares and his wife Colleen, Lauren Singh and her husband Raj, Jennifer Calcagno and her fiancée Jake; her step-grandchildren, Tony Dahl and Tammy Dahl Mayes; and her great-grandchildren, Bradley, Audra and Sienna Soares. Also, her loving cat of 19 years, Yuma.

The family of Carol would like to express their deepest thanks to all who loved and helped care for her over the years: Manuel, Denisse and Star and most recently Milly, the two Blancas and Maria. You were all special to her! Carol’s funeral Mass will be held on Monday, November 20th @ 9:30 a.m. @ Sacred Heart Church in Salinas. A celebration of her life and lunch will immediately follow at the adjoining Sacred Heart Parish Hall. The family invites all to attend and share their special memories of Carol.

Donations in memory of Carol can be made to The Lou and Carol Calcagno Scholarship Fund. Please made checks payable to Agri-Culture and refer to the fund. Mail donations to Agri-Culture, 141 Monte Vista Ave., Watsonville, CA 95076, or make a donation to your favorite charity. For more information go to www.struveandlaporte.com

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Winter's coming, but no timetable for reopening road at Paul's Slide

By CHRIS COUNTS

CALTRANS GAVE its latest update on the work to reopen Highway 1 at Paul's Slide in Big Sur this week, but with wet weather and an entire winter on the way, the state roads agency can't say when the project will be completed. Workers are on site seven days a week.

"Crews are building up the elevation of the south end of Paul's Slide to support what will be the new course of the roadway," Kevin Drabinski of Caltrans reported. "The repair design calls for the highway to move slightly inland and to be elevated at the southern approach." The repair

design also increases the catchment area on the inland side of the highway. It will be separated from the road by concrete barriers and fencing.

Water and debris

"Geotech and hydrological engineers have completed the drainage design for the repairs which will capture water and debris and convey it below the roadway," Drabinski said. "But due to dynamic conditions at the repair site as well as anticipated impacts associated with inclement weather in the upcoming months, there is no estimated time for full reopening of Highway 1 at Paul's Slide."

Located just south of Lucia and the New Camaldoli Hermitage, Paul's Slide poses a big challenge for work crews. An estimated 500,000 yards of dirt, rock and debris have fallen on the pavement since January — and the site has created big problems along the highway since 2017.

Nearly all of Big Sur's parks and businesses are open, except Limekiln State Park, which is closed due to repairs and inaccessibility, and the New Camaldoli Hermitage, which is inaccessible due to a slip-out at nearby Dani Creek. About 2 miles of the scenic route remain closed.

JAIL

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to intervene and request immediate care" for Sand, "but they failed to do so and allowed him to languish until he died."

The lawsuit argues that Sand's schizophrenia caused him to "compulsively drink water." That triggered hyponatremia, a condition where a person's sodium level becomes abnormally low and which "can be fatal if not treated."

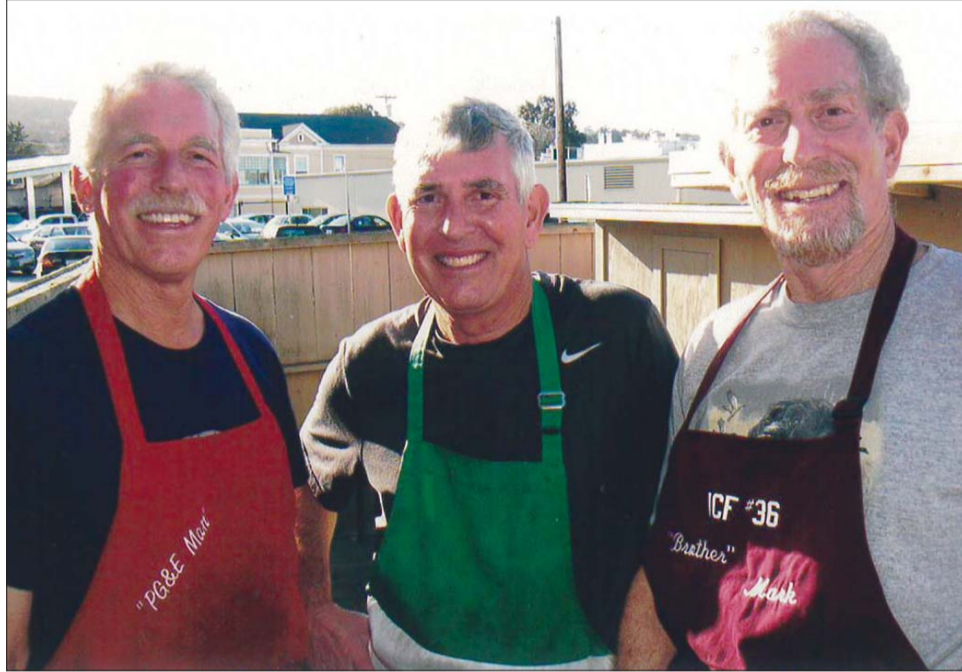
Striking similarities

Goldstein told The Pine Cone there are "striking similarities" between Sand's case and that of mentally ill Monterey County Jail inmate Rafael Ramirez Lara, who died in 2019 after consuming a large amount of water. "Psychogenic polydipsia [a mental condition leading to excessive drinking of water] is well known to Wellpath and the county as they have encountered it in other inmates suffering from schizophrenia prior to Mr. Sand's death," the lawsuit suggests.

Goldstein, whose client wants a jury trial and is seeking an unspecified amount of money in damages, said Sand "was at the mercy of the jail" to receive mental health care. "He was known to have mental health needs, and was provided with zero mental health care, which is a violation of his Constitutional rights."

When the county counsel's office was contacted for this story, assistant county counsel Jan Holmes responded to say the county hasn't yet been served with the lawsuit, but even if it had, she or others wouldn't have any comment.

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David, Gordy and Mark Canepa (left to right)

GORDON PAUL CANEPA

Gordon Paul Canepa, 69, passed away on November 6th after a year-long battle against pancreatic cancer. Gordy worked in school transportation, finishing his career at Santa Catalina School. Gordy had a servant's heart and always offered his help. He enjoyed long nature walks, golf with his sons and volunteer work with the Italian Catholic Federation. He could be found cooking in the kitchen for the Lenten dinners. All who knew him, loved him.

Gordy is survived by his mother, Lorraine Canepa; brothers, David (Dori) and Mark (Cindy); and sister, Caryn (Jay) Murakoshi; his children, Chelsea (Henry) Hernandez, Curtis and Chandler; and grandchildren, Gunner, Amelia and Lucia Hernandez and Lukas Canepa.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ted, and sister, Susan.

At Gordy's request there will be no service. The family will have a memorial at a later date. He will be greatly missed but always in our hearts.

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REBUKE

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genocide of the Jewish people,” according to the statement signed by Panetta and other Democrats.

“We must call out hateful, harmful language no matter who it comes from,” Panetta told The Pine Cone Wednesday.



Jimmy Panetta

The Congressional statement also expressed “deep anguish for the human suffering caused by the war in Gaza,” but notes that “ Hamas started this war with a barbaric terrorist attack on Oct. 7, 2023, and neither the Palestinian nor Israeli people can have peace as long as Hamas still rules over Gaza and threatens Israel.”

House members on Nov. 7 also voted to censure Michigan Democratic Rep. Rashida Tlaib for using the “river to the sea” slogan in a speech she made blasting Pres. Joe Biden for backing Israel’s plans to eliminate

Hamas. While more than 20 Democrats joined Republicans in rebuking Tlaib, Panetta wasn’t one of them.

The congressman explained why, saying he’s “concerned about the precedent that we are setting as a

legislative body by using a censure vote for members with whose speech we disagree,” Panetta said. “I was sent to Congress to deliver for my constituents and find common ground with anybody who will help me serve the 19th Congressional District.”

Panetta voted to censure Republican Rep. Paul Gosar in 2021 after the congressman from Arizona posted a photoshopped anime video on social media depicting him using a sword to kill Democratic Rep. Alexandria

Ocasio-Cortez. The vote to censure Gosar succeeded.

Amid the backlash, Tlaib and others have defended use of the phrase, with Tlaib calling it “an aspirational call for freedom, human rights, and peaceful coexistence, not death, destruction or hate.”

Democratic Rep. Adam Schiff was censured in June for repeatedly falsely accusing former President Donald Trump of colluding with Russia to influence the 2016 election.

WILLIAM (BILL) MORRIS MCLEOD

William (Bill) Morris McLeod, born August 22nd, 1949, in Houston, Texas, passed away on November 5th, 2023, at home in Carmel, CA.

His father worked for Burroughs Corporation, so the family moved every few years to various cities across the country as his dad set up, hired and trained new staff at each location.

Bill graduated from Scottsdale High, attended ASU then enlisted and served in the Air Force Reserve for six years as a medic while attending UCLA and USC. He enjoyed being an ardent student of the outdoors ... loved hiking, camping, learning about herbs and wild foods, white water rafting, followed the whales birthing in Mexico and generally savored the peace and magnificence of mother nature. He was concerned about the effects of global warming.

Being artistic and energetic landed him in construction which eventually brought him to Big Sur. After building a home for friends in Sycamore Canyon, Bill was approached to build the renowned Post Ranch Inn. From there he made his mark as a builder of contemporary large glass custom homes as founder of William McLeod General Contracting Inc.

He loved to travel and learn about cultures and animals. He enjoyed art, music, live performances, wining and dining. He was a good dancer, cook, landscape designer and entertained and excelled with his interior design choices.

Gifted with a great sense of humor, was very perceptive and generous with his family and friends. He extended his thoughtfulness to his clients when he saw an alternative to help them save money.

In '98 he moved to mid Carmel Valley, met and fell in love with the love of his life and enjoyed 25 years of marriage with his wife, Karen. He is also survived by his sister, Jeanne Burkhead (Tucson, AZ); and brother, John McLeod (Austin, TX).

He had the keen eye of an artist, a smile that would fill a room and the heart of a kind and wonderful man.

In lieu of flowers please donate to World Central Kitchen.



SOUND THE HORNS! OPEN THE PEARLY GATES!

A soul has come home.

Joanne Gorham Newman, born in 1929 in Monterey, California peacefully left this earthly realm August 20th at the age of 94, surrounded by loved ones.

Joanne, a 1947 Carmel High School graduate, went on to graduate from Stanford in 1951, the same year she married Walter Newman. Together they raised two sons as she tended gardens of raspberries, asparagus and flowers. A wildflower enthusiast and birdwatcher, she could often be found joyfully strolling Point Lobos and Garland Park.

Five years ago, Joanne’s husband, Walter, preceded her to pastoral heavens, as did her brother, Bill, 25 years ago. She is survived by her sons, Marty and Bill; granddaughter, Hayley (Ben); great-granddaughter, Hannah; brother, By (Lillian) and nieces and nephews.

The Newman clan is deeply grateful to Jennie Field, Joanne’s beloved caregiver and friend in the last chapter of her life.

A small family gathering will be held to celebrate Joanne’s life. It will most definitely include mashed potatoes!

O GREAT MOTHER

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You who came thru,
Leaving rose petals
in your wake.

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in our delicate boats,
in this tumultuous sea.

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to tie us up.....to.

The depth of grief can drown,
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So, following that wake
Sailing out to sea,
Gathering the rose petals past,
Mother’s Milky Way.



In Loving Memory

of Our Mom, Grandma, and Friend, Bonnie Shepard

Bonnie May was born to Pete and Marie Glover and raised in Monterey. Graduated from Monterey High School where she developed her love for art, choir and drama. She raised three children and went to work for Talbott Ties to support her family. She mastered the art of wall covering and became the most sought-after installer around. Throughout her life she left her mark all over this peninsula with her expertise in wall covering, upholstered walls, armoires and closets. You name it, she would cover it!

She worked for top designers and celebrities alike, gracing the walls from modest to elaborate homes in Pebble Beach, Carmel and the Hawaiian Islands. She taught all her children to be creative and learn her trade. Her talents and business grew exponentially, with her son Peter by her side over the last 30 years. Together they have beautifully transformed many homes, hotels, restaurants and galleries with their expertise. Her legacy will carry on through Wallcovering by Bonnie Shepard and Son.

She was the greatest mom a child could ever have. Her family and friends knew how much they were loved. She was always there for you, was “Our Rock” and the best friend you could ever have, even to her children, never hesitating to give of herself and her time.

Bonnie made clothes for her children and grandchildren, loved making biscotti for her grandson, baking pies for her friends, created unique mosaic style paintings, enjoyed gardening, watching the birds, going to Sunset Center, singing, music, art and design and of course, walks on Carmel beach.

There was no one quite like her. She lit up a room with her smile, was gracious and elegant. She loved fashion, beauty and quality. She always went to work in a freshly starched shirt, dressed in designer clothes and enjoyed her beautifully appointed home and garden.

Bonnie, Miss Bunny, Bon Bon will eternally be loved and missed by everyone!

She is survived by her daughter, Cindi Webb; son, Peter Shepard; grandsons, Jasen Niino and Alex Maunu; granddaughter, Brooke Lazzarrini and great-grandson Axel.

Please go to www.facebook.com/MemoriesOfBonnie to post memories of Bonnie for her family and friends to share and read tributes to her.

Stevenson girls are all a-flutter as they face down Mitty's Monarchs

TEAMS FROM the Central Coast Section's West Catholic League carry an aura built on decades of success in virtually every sport, which explains why Archbishop Mitty, with a 13-15 overall record, was awarded the No. 1 seed in the Division 3 bracket at this year's NorCal girls water polo tournament, which began this week.

For the same reason, the uber-talented, red-hot Stevenson Pirates — 23-7 and fresh off winning their second consecutive CCS crown — can't wait to get their shot at the Monarchs in Friday's 11:10 a.m. semifinals match at the University of Pacific in Stockton.

Stevenson, seeded No. 4 in the bracket, advanced Tuesday with a 12-8 home-pool quarterfinals victory over No. 5 El Capitan. The Pirates' win was powered by Miranda Salinger and Emmerson Ferriera, who scored five goals each, with two assists from Arielle Dale.

The Stevenson girls also teamed up for 16 steals, led by Sienna Cimole (6), Dale (4), Charlotte Morrow (3), and Jacquelynn Powers (2). Goalie Anna Mitchell recorded seven saves and a steal.

Mitty thrashed No. 8 Christian Brothers 18-6 in its quarterfinal, while No. 2 Garces Memorial (25-8) crushed Sierra 24-3, and No. 3 Buhach Colony (27-5) defeated



PHOTOS/KERRY BELSER

Miranda Salinger (above) eyeing a point-blank shot, and Emmerson Ferriera (right), passing over a defender, scored 5 goals each against El Capitan.



Catholic League" said Burke, whose team also was tested this year against multiple high-ranked opponents.

'Similar to us'

But Mitty (enrollment 1,771, including 877 girls) won't be a pushover. The Monarchs have multiple weapons, including senior Gracie Imrisek (67 goals, 38 assists, 54 steals), and sophomores Madeline Caputo (58 goals, 36 assists, 33 steals) and Zuie Jog (57 goals, 56 steals) on a talent-deep roster.

"I've watched Mitty play a lot this year, and I think they're actually very similar to us," Burke said. "I think they're a team that prides itself on playing strong defense, and I think their lineup is solid, one through six, with a couple of players who are super-athletic and can finish. And they have a lot of club players who play at a high level year-round."

The 2022 Pirates were the first Monterey County water polo team in history, female or male, to win CCS and play at NorCals.

Football

Padres lose CCS opener: After compiling a perfect 10-0 record during the regular season, the PCAL Mission

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Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

Ripon 15-10, to reach the semis on the opposite side of the bracket.

Saturday's Division 3 championship game — also at University of Pacific — is scheduled for 10 a.m.

All losses on Mitty's record came against exceptional competition — teams like Sacred Heart Prep (ranked No. 2 in California), Acalanes (5), Leland (8), St. Ignatius (15), Marin Academy (16), and St. Francis (17).

Notable mutual opponent

But Monarchs and Stevenson had very different experiences against a mutual opponent this season: On Oct. 30, the Pirates registered a 9-8 victory over 27th-ranked Menlo — a team that clobbered Mitty 16-6 on Sept. 6. And that's just one reason Stevenson coach Jon Burke said his team feels un intimidated by the tradition-rich Monarchs.

"Quite honestly, I think any of the teams seeded in the top four or five in this bracket could beat each other," said Burke, who won 10 straight CCS titles at Sacred Heart Prep before coming to Stevenson. "I've watched Mitty play a lot this year, and I think we can play with them, but we're not taking anything for granted."

Another reason the Pirates don't fear Mitty is that five of their players started as sophomores on a team that made it all the way to last year's NorCal Division 2 championship game, where they lost an 11-10 heartbreaker.

Returning frontliners from that 2022 team include this year's Pacific Coast Athletic League MVP Emmerson Ferriera (115 goals), Offensive Player of the Year Miranda Salinger (97 goals, 30 assists), Defensive Player of the Year Sienna Cimoli (86 steals, 29 goals), and first-team all-leaguers Arielle Dale (64 steals, 39 goals, 36 assists) and goalkeeper Anna Mitchell (240 saves, 66 more than her nearest PCAL rival).

Add second-team all-leaguers Jacquelynn Powers (51 goals, 22 assists), who lettered and saw significant action last fall as a ninth grader, plus freshman phenom Charlotte Morrow (36 goals, 22 assists), and this year's Stevenson team is deeper and more versatile than its 2022 predecessor.

"I guess I was a little surprised to see Mitty seeded No. 1, but I think that can be attributed to their strength of schedule, and because they're coming out of the West

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SPORTS

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South Division champion Carmel Padres were seeded seventh in the CCS Division 2 bracket (second-highest in the playoffs), where they were eliminated in the quarterfinals by second-seeded Soquel, 35-14.

Soquel (9-2) was leading by a touchdown when its defense stopped the high-scoring Padres (48 points per game) at the 2-yard line in the fourth quarter. The Knights scored two plays later on a backbreaking 94-yard touchdown, which changed the momentum of the game.

Carmel led 14-7 with less than three minutes to play in the first half, thanks to touchdown passes from Hudson Rutherford to Ty Arnold and Matt Maxon, but Soquel responded with 28 unanswered points in the second half, aided by two Padres turnovers in the end zone, and that fourth-quarter goal-line stand.

■ Cross country

Carmel girls second at CCS: For the second consecutive year, Carmel's girls placed second as a team at the CCS Division 4 Cross Country Championships at Crystal

Springs, 32 points behind defending champion Scotts Valley. Carmel qualified its full girls team for the CIF State Championships, which take place Nov. 25 at Woodward Park in Fresno.

The Padres placed two runners among the top 10, getting a fourth-place finish from junior Ava Ghio, who ran the 5K course in 19:08.1, and a ninth-place effort from sophomore Lila Glazier in 19:43.4. They were followed by sophomore Lauren Galicia (21:29.6, 29th), junior Jady Lome (21:39.9, 34th) and freshman Delilah Herro (23:13.0, 42nd). A total of 95 girls finished.

Stevenson's boys took fifth as a team in the 105-runner D-5 race, led by juniors Will Kernan (18:00.7, 25th), Alessandro De Leo (18:13.5, 28th) and Marcus Finley (18:46.6, 38th), and sophomore Inaki Cuenca Berrond (18:56.9, 33th).

Carmel placed seventh as a team in the D-4 boys race, paced by junior Mack Aldi (16:15.7, fifth) and freshman Jasper Bolante (16:44.4, 12th.) Among other Padres in

the 103-runner field were junior Zachary Lander (17:33.2, 36th), and senior Nathan Plascencia (18:40.8, 70th).

■ Postseason honors

Field hockey, PCAL — Offensive Player of Year: Macey Torres, Stevenson. **Goalie of the Year:** Lilly Grundy, Carmel. **All PCAL, first team:** Macey Torres, Lucy Aiello and Georgia Bonifas, Stevenson; Fiona Hirschfield, Olivia Bartle and Lilly Grundy, Carmel; Megan Barry-Schoen, Santa Catalina. **Second team:** Grace Ishii and Ashley Bishop, Stevenson; Ava Staehle and Ava Mangiapane, Carmel; Sophie McHugh and Bianca Fritz, Santa Catalina. **Sportsmanship:** Elle Moreo, Stevenson; Chloe LeMaster, Carmel; Cora Derbin, Santa Catalina.

Girls volleyball, Gabilan Division — All-Gabilan, first team: Carlyne Byrne, Riley Imamura and Myah

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Arielle Dale contributed two assists, and got four of Stevenson's 16 steals in the victory over El Capitan.





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Editorial

Platitudes and reality

ACCORDING TO Monterey Mayor Tyller Williamson, housing is a “human right.” If he were just a member of the public, the comment could pass without notice, but since he’s mayor, his constituents are entitled to ask how his feel-good utterance, made in support of his vote to require Monterey’s landlords to register their rentals, could be translated into policy. If housing is a “human right” that means we should all get it free, correct? While you’re at it, make sure ours comes with a two-car garage and room for plenty of cats, please.

The truth is that, for the majority of people, free speech and due process may be rights, but housing is just one more thing they have to pay for, along with food, clothing and the other necessities of life. If they want them, they have to get them on their own. And while they’re ponying up for those things, they also have to pay for the free versions that are doled out to people who are unwilling or unable to provide for themselves.

When Williamson called housing a “human right,” he wasn’t saying anything that could be put into practical effect, or that expounded his actual position. He was uttering a platitude, i.e., a “remark or statement, especially one with a moral content, that has been used too often to be interesting or thoughtful.” But he’s by no means the first activist or politician to use that method to sidestep what could otherwise be a useful debate.

The heyday of platitudes was probably the 1960s, when a whole generation thrived on slogans that made everyone feel virtuous while sparing them the trouble of actually thinking.

Consider the rock anthem, “Ohio,” by Crosby, Stills, Nash, and Young, which Neil Young composed in response to the May 4, 1970, National Guard shooting deaths of four Kent State University students during an anti-Vietnam War protest. Of course the violent deaths of the four young people were an outrage, but what should be done about them? “Gotta get down to it,” CSNY said. That’s all?

Or consider “Peace Train,” another Vietnam-era hit by Cat Stevens. Here’s the gist:

Now I’ve been crying lately
Thinkin’ about the world as it is
Why must we go on hating?
Why can’t we live in bliss?

’Cause out on the edge of darkness
There rides a peace train
Oh, peace train take this country
Come take me home again

And????

The vapidness of these lyrical expressions may be obvious, but that doesn’t mean a lot of people don’t go on saying them. Various versions get handed down from generation to generation, yet the wars continue. “War is Not the Answer,” and “Love is Love,” say the yard signs while the fighting and anger go on and on, with periods of peace being more the exception than the rule. Just since Joe Biden became president not quite three years ago, we’ve had wars in Afghanistan, Ukraine and now Israel/Gaza. Human aggression, it seems, hasn’t abated at all.

If Monterey wants to have an adequate supply of affordable housing, the answer isn’t to talk about it being a “right.” The answer is to build more housing. And if you want to live in peace, you don’t need slogans and expressions of good will — what you need is a strong army.

One Scandinavian/Israeli woman who barely escaped with her life during the Oct. 7 Hamas attack on her kibbutz summarized the tragic irony of her experience very well when she told the Daily Mail, “I understand the legitimate call of the Palestinian people for independence and a good life — I want that for them, too — but what these monsters did was a crime against humanity, nothing to do with statehood.”

Before heavily armed men started murdering everyone they could find in her village, the woman, Sofie Mackie, considered herself a peacenik.

“Her hopes haven’t vanished but she is more clear-eyed,” observes the Daily Mail.

“I still feel positive about our future,” Ms. Mackie says. “But I now know we have to go to war to have peace.”

BEST of BATES



Letters to the Editor

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MPC’s president speaks

Dear Editor,

Thank you for drawing attention to Monterey Peninsula College’s appointment of Jacinto Salazar as the first Director of Inclusivity, Diversity, Equity, Anti-Racism, and Accessibility.

To clarify the headline of your Nov. 10 article, MPC did not develop a new “anti-racism” department. This position was not added in response to any specific incidents of racism involving staff and/or students at the college. Systemic racism is a nationwide issue that affects all communities; MPC is no different, but we are determined to proactively address and make progress toward combatting all forms of inequity on our campus.

The appointment of an IDEAA Director comes after years of MPC’s commitment to providing an educational environment for all that emphasizes inclusiveness and equity-minded principles. In 2020, the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s

Office published a “call to action” for all colleges to actively strategize and take steps against structural racism on their campuses. As a result, MPC created an Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Anti-Racism task force, a collaborative group of faculty, staff, and administrators. The mission of the task force is to raise campus awareness of inequities experienced by campus constituency groups, provide a safe space for open discussion, and advocate for changes to reduce or eliminate those inequities.

MPC actively engages in confronting and improving processes, programs, and services to achieve a shared vision of being an equity-based institution. IDEAA principles are woven throughout our strategic plan, our discussions, our daily activities, and incorporated into policies and practices from hiring to performance reviews.

The appointment of an IDEAA Director is part of our continuous efforts toward a more inclusive, equitable and accessible campus community.

Equity-driven leadership requires relentless commitment. Mr. Salazar will continue the work MPC has been engaged in since 2020. He will lead the conversations and work closely with employees, students, and community partners to ensure we adhere to our mission to foster an equitable, inclusive, respectful and supportive community. I am confident that with Mr. Salazar’s leadership, we will make MPC an even more diverse, equitable and inclusive institution.

**Marshall Fulbright, President,
Monterey Peninsula College**

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Keeping a dream afloat for years

AS A researcher and writer of history, I am a vicarious time traveler. I enjoy immersing myself in the eras I write about, trying to imagine how I would have interacted with the people in those times. Earlier this month, I was able to experience — in real life — a piece of history that was long imagined and dreamed about.

I've always loved history and teemed on stories of heroes of the Bible (David, Sampson, Joshua) and early England

History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

(King Arthur, Robin Hood). I was raised in Western Michigan, where my family had settled four generations earlier. We had family reunions almost annually with my mother's and father's kin. I absorbed family lore, which often led me to dig into little-known aspects of Michigan history. The stories of sunken ships in the Great Lakes were a source of fascination, and I dreamed of discovering and raising the Griffon, which sank in 1679.

Ew, fish

It is hard to imagine that when I first came to the Monterey Peninsula in 1985, I knew next to nothing about California history or Monterey. I had heard of John Steinbeck but knew very little about him. Someone suggested I read "Cannery Row." I resisted. As a Midwest boy, reading about the meat-packing plants of Chicago in Upton Sinclair's "The Jungle" was a junior high school requirement. I hated it and had no interest in reading about Monterey's fish-packing plants.

I did, however, attend a night of reading from Steinbeck, and that opened the door to my obsession — first with the author, and then Monterey Peninsula history — and an awareness that Steinbeck's "Cannery Row" had little to do with fish-packing. A 1986 class at Monterey Peninsula College on Steinbeck and King Arthur made me aware that Steinbeck was raised with the same heroes of my childhood, and gave me more areas to explore. Over the years that followed, my wife and I became friends with Bruce and Jean Ariss, who moved to the Peninsula in 1934 and were part of Steinbeck's and Ed Ricketts' inner circle, and were successful writers themselves.

Western Flyer

We met both of Steinbeck's sons and his widow, and got to know two of Ricketts' children, Nancy and Ed Jr., and some of their children, as well as

educators from around the world and many others with similar connections. Among the interesting people we met was Bob Enea.

Enea introduced the dream that became a reality. It was tied to his family and the Steinbeck and Ricketts legacies. Enea's uncle, Tony Berry, (1906-1998) was the owner and captain of the purse-seine fishing boat, Western Flyer, which took Steinbeck and Ricketts on the 1940 scientific journey documented in the book, "Sea of Cortez." It is the only Steinbeck book with a co-author (Ricketts). It was not a bestseller, beset as it was with a release date of Dec. 6, 1941, the day before the bombing of Pearl Harbor. It is, however, worthy of a read. If you are not interested in the scientific photos and drawings, you can find a copy of "The Log from the Sea of Cortez," which doesn't list Ricketts as co-author, but should.

Circuitous route

Enea had another uncle, Horace Enea (1910-2002), better known as Sparky, who was a regular member of Berry's crew, including on the Steinbeck journey. You can even read his account of the voyage, which was published in 1991 — "With Steinbeck in the Sea of Cortez."

When the sardine population in Monterey nearly disappeared in the mid-1940s, Berry took his ship to San Pedro and made his living first there and then in the northern Pacific waters. When he retired, Berry sold the Western Flyer and returned to Monterey. Bob Enea wanted to find the

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PHOTO/JESS SORIANO

Absent from Monterey's harbor for more than 75 years, The Western Flyer returned Nov. 4. Those on board included the daughter, Gerry Schwartz, and the nephew, Bob Enea, of the ship's original owner, Capt. Tony Berry.

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

Her work reflects her passion for culture, history and curiosity

GERMAIN HATCHER sinks into a world of her own, often between 1 and 4 in the morning, as she's creating her artwork, some of which is on exhibit through Dec. 14 at the Pacific Grove Art Center.

But the multimedia artist feels every bit as passionate picking the brains of the experienced artists, as well as inspiring, advising and mentoring the newbies who walk through the door at Imagine Art Sup-

plies, the 500-square-foot, boutique-style shop she opened in 2015 at 309 Forest Ave. in P.G.

“I love looking at art, love making art, love meeting artists and finding out what they do,” said Hatcher, a Pacific Grove High product with an intense curiosity about the creative process — her own, and those of others.

Visitors perusing her well-stocked shelves frequently engage in deep conversations about their own work with the ever-curious proprietor, who asks as many questions as she answers about their creative process and her own.

Paying it forward

Sharing knowledge and love for art is something artists owe each other — that's her philosophy — which explains why Hatcher has been a mentor for the past decade at Youth Art Collective, a home-away-from-home to blossoming artists 14 to 22 years old.

“That place would have been a god-send to me when I was growing up. I met co-founders Meg Biddle and Marcia Perry about 20 years ago, and for the first 10 years I kept thinking, ‘Where the heck were you when I was in high school?’” Hatcher said with a laugh. “I'm absolutely in awe of what some of those kids do — I

want to be as good as they are someday.”

She grew up among givers who heavily influenced the person she became, she said.

“Everybody in my family is what I'd call an ‘intellectual educator,’” said Hatcher. Her great-aunt, Abbie Lee Barnes, was the first Black principal of her elementary school in Georgia, where Germain was born. Germain's mom, Martha Hatcher, is “a volunteer extraordinaire and a board member extraordinaire,” she said.

“My mom has served on the board for the Alzheimer's Association and ran their Carmel unit. She's served on the board for First Night Monterey. She always ‘volun-told’ me that I was going to help with organizations like those, and that has had an impact on me” she said.

Hatcher vividly recalls the encouragement and inspiration she received from Barnes after she flunked the first spelling test she ever took as a fourth grader in Georgia.

'I didn't speak Southern'

“We left Pacific Grove and moved back to Georgia when I was nine, returned to P.G. when I was 16,” she said. “When we got to Georgia, I had a huge issue with the dialect — I didn't speak Southern.”

Hatcher, a good student, remembers “crying like a baby” as she explained to her great aunt, the principal, that she had failed the spelling test.

“You know how to spell those words,” Barnes said.

“I don't know what sy-yack is! I don't know what mee-yulk is! I don't know what sowk is!” the girl protested.

When her great-aunt re-administered the exact same test, Germain spelled “sack,” “milk,” “sock,” and the rest of the words with ease.

After Hatcher graduated with Pacific Grove High's class of '84, she aspired to major in English or fine art, studying first at Monterey Peninsula College (1984-86), then at Otis School of Art and Design in Los Angeles, earning her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in 1990.

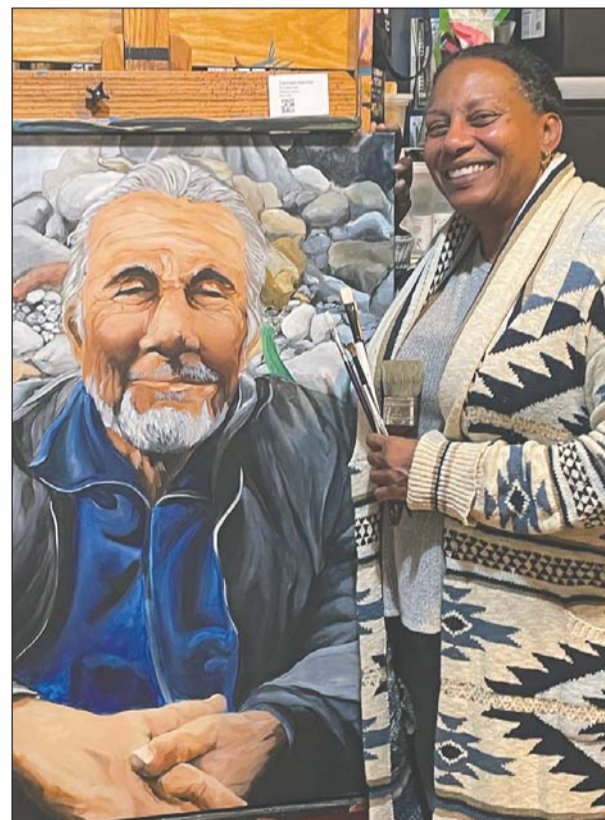
“By the time I moved back home to P.G., I had decided I loved books, started working at Bookworks, and became really good friends with the owners, Esther Hicks and Wouter Van Rossum. Eventually, they kind of hijacked me into becoming a manager — which I never wanted to be,” she said.

'I love you ... you're fired'

In 2001, after Hatcher took a 16-day vacation to Italy, Hicks, her boss, recognized that she seemed less enthusiastic than she'd been in the past, and took her out for lunch.

“Esther said, ‘Germain, I love you ... you're fired. You're unhappy, and you

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Multimedia artist Germain Hatcher, owner of Imagine Art Supplies in P.G., poses with her portrait of a homeless man on Cannery Row.



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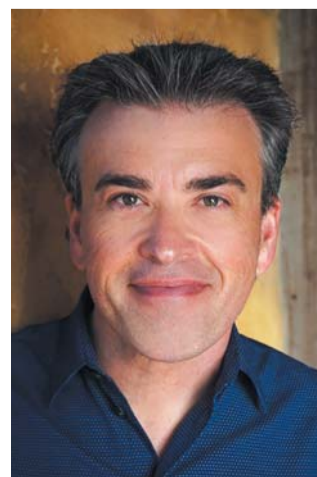
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LETTERS

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DEI is discrimination

Dear Editor,

The headline, "MPC develops new 'anti-racism' department," is a front-page article in The Pine Cone's Nov. 10

issue. MPC labels it an "Inclusivity, Diversity, Equity, Anti-Racism and Accessibility Department." Evidently the MPC administration doesn't know that the Supreme Court has ruled against all types of discrimination, that DEI departments are a plague in colleges and universities, that corporations are closing their DEI sections before they get sued for discrimination.

DEI sells a narrative that there are only oppressors and oppressed and everything must be judged in that light. Of course, that requires DEI to tell you who's the victim and who's the victimizer — by groups. It's nonsense. Student failures are better explained as victims of poor educational systems than discrimination.

An "anti-racist" department is racist in its very description. DEI rejects concepts of meritocracy, equality of opportunity and individual responsibility.

What makes MPC unique is running to catch up with a process that has already caused so much damage. The fact MPC can offer no evidence of any kind is part of the DEI formula.

Theodore Dreiser once called a group together to form an organization to help "undiscovered geniuses." He was asked to name one. He couldn't. He was smart enough to drop the whole idea. MPC should learn from his example.

David Goldenson, Carmel

Offensive skepticism

Dear Editor,

The tone of Kelly Nix's article about the new Inclusivity, Diversity, Equity, Anti-Racism and Accessibility initiative and director at MPC reveals either underlying ignorance or transparent denialism about the existence of systemic racism in this or any of our institutions. The veiled skepticism you convey in the over-generous use of quotation marks around key terms is offensive enough, but to remark that 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" is the cheap old nickel-and-dime approach to undermining a commonly understood phenomenon. One need not be "woke" to be conscious of the need for such diversity and inclusion efforts even in the absence of specific examples.

Deborah Evans, Carmel Valley

DEI's fatal flaw

Dear Editor,

I watched the three-hour House Judiciary Committee hearing on campus free speech and the Hamas/Israel war on CSPAN on Nov. 9. I learned a lot about why the current trend of DEI is not working in our cities and universities. The fatal flaw of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion movement is the good guy/bad guy assumption in respect to Western civilization in general. This assumption holds that Western civilizations are inherently racist oppressors that have victimized non-European people in our own country and around the world. This leads us to the Hamas/Israel War as it was discussed in the hearing I watched on television.

My own experience with the DEI Task Force in Pacific Grove and elsewhere is they favor mostly two groups: Brown people and LGBTQQA+. At the present time, in the eyes of DEI, the Palestinians have shot up to the top of the list of "most oppressed." Evidence is the massive campus demonstrations all over the country with the outright antisemitic slogans such as, "Freedom from the river to the sea," and "Glory to the murderers," and the open and public harassment and murder of Jews in America.

Regardless of who you think is responsible for the

current violence going on in the Middle East, the DEI movement has helped to ignite hatred, violence and discrimination against Israel and the Jewish population in the Western world. This is their fatal flaw. The DEI movement does not represent individuals but assumes that human beings can be lumped into categories of good guy/bad guy. The DEI movement will not prevail, just as the House Un-American Activities Committee in the 1950s died out in disgrace.

Carol Marquart, Pacific Grove

'CRT produces hate and murder'

Dear Editor,

Let us remember with profound anguish the lost life of 17-year-old Jonathan Lewis in Las Vegas. The sinister power of CRT to instill murderous hate extends even to instilling reflexive self-hatred, as seen in Nashville shooter Audrey Hale, who targeted "little crackers" with "white privilege" for death, which would be concealed by haters of the truth.

CRT, which infiltrates California public schools, is a mutation of Neo-Marxism, with its dialectic of supposed oppressor group and supposed victim group. But Neo-Marxism is nothing but demagoguery and the stifling of logical dissent. Any challenge to the oppressor-victim-dialectic is reactionary "thought crime." Neo-Marxists attribute all the problems of the supposed victim group to crime of centuries past. Marxism, to include its offshoot Neo-Marxism, has brought nothing but boundless misery in the enslavement and murder of millions.

Inequality is not intrinsically unjust. Inequality is not always wrong. Justice, in fact, implies that there will not be equal outcomes.

Neo-Marxists tell us that everyone is equal in the new utopia, irrespective of merit. Why should, say, an illegal alien who doesn't work, have a BMW and a nice house? Because the Neo-Marxists tell them that everyone is equal in the new utopia, irrespective of merit.

If the left truly cared about racial equality, they would focus on such things as the pandemic of fatherlessness among Blacks, and on crime and violence among young Black males. Furthermore, for anti-White racists, no lie is more essential than that anti-White racism is not racism, and exceeding even their lie that White pride is racism while every other non-White racial pride is not racism.

Neo-Marxism is repulsive and very divisive. Instead of understanding society as coming together cooperatively to pursue the common good, Neo-Marxism sees only the conflict of the oppressor-victim dialectic. An irony is that although one third of California is ostensibly Catholic, and the Catholic Church has condemned communism, Jorge Bergoglio himself seems to be Marxist.

John Conricode, King City

'Keep Wendy'

Dear Editor,

I will support Wendy Askew for her bid to continue as Monterey County Board of Supervisor. I greatly admire her courage and principle in urging the board not to take sides on the Israel/Palestine issue, when it would have been far easier for her to just endorse a pro-Israel resolution. The conflict is deep-rooted. The United Nation has declared humanitarian crises because Israel cut off water and electricity supply to the people in Gaza. It is horrible whether it is bombing by Hamas or cutting off access to life support by Israel. It is long past time to seek a resolution for peace and not to continue pointing fingers.

Sylvia Shih, Seaside

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charges of robbery, conspiracy and violation of probation, and their bail was set at \$87,500. Additional charges against Bradley include vandalism and possession of stolen property, and Solomon was also charged with petty theft. Klapper was booked for robbery, conspiracy and possession of unlawful paraphernalia, and her bail was set at \$83,500. All five suspects were taken to Monterey County Jail, where they remained this week.

Eerily similar

The brazen attack follows an armed robbery at Macy's at Del Monte Center the afternoon of Nov. 3 in which four similarly aged suspects pulled a gun on a security guard before fleeing with more than \$1,500 in merchandise.

After leading police on a 22-minute chase through Monterey to Salinas, 21-year-old David Rangel and 20-year-old Bryin Guzman were arrested on multiple felony charges and taken to Monterey County Jail, while 21-year-old Antonio Sotelo was taken to Monterey P.D., where he was cited and released. Those three are Salinas residents. Greenfield P.D. arrested the fourth, 20-year-old Celso Suarez Lopez, Nov. 7 after police conducted a probation search of his home there and found evidence from the robbery.

TRUST

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and Wildlife and the state's Wildlife Conservation Board – along with generous private donors – for making it possible," Lewis said.

The chairperson of the Esselen tribe, Tom Little Bear Nason said he is looking forward to helping the land trust steward the former ranch.

"We recognize that Basin Ranch possesses significant natural, ecological, scientific, and cultural values, and was purchased to protect and enhance these values," Nason added.

The land trust says it has conserved over 45,000 acres throughout Monterey County since it was founded 45 years ago, much of which is managed today by public agencies.

LION

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him to leave maybe 10 times, but he would not go. After about an hour, he finally left."

On her filing, Dreher said Lion didn't threaten or harm her, she had not seen him before, and she did not notify law enforcement. She indicated she warned him she would be seeking the restraining order.

Vallarta OK'd the temporary order preventing Lion from contacting or harassing Dreher in any way and from trying to obtain her address or figure out her location. The judge also ruled the sheriff's office should serve the order without any cost to Dreher, because it's based on "unlawful violence, a credible threat of violence, or stalking." While the paperwork lists Dreher's home address, it does not show her workplace.

The order expires Nov. 22, when Dreher is supposed to appear in court to show cause for her request and for her filing of civil harassment.

MILLS

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noted that many other cities obtain tax estimates before considering approval.

Going through the list of possible restrictions, council members concurred that they would continue making the Mills Act available to residential and commercial properties but want to consider caps on assessed value and tax losses. They also said contracts should require more than just routine maintenance.

Richards suggested not accepting any more applications until the council refines its policy, and Mayor Dave Potter said he and Baron should form an ad hoc committee. The rest of the council concurred. City administrator Chip Rerig said staff would bring back an "urgency ordinance" to impose a moratorium on Mills Act applications "until we change the program, if we change the program."

The four remaining Mills Act applications are set to be considered at the December meeting.



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If you think you're seeing double, look for Dot Findlater nearby

IMAGINE BEING blessed with the pipes and personality of Tina Turner, Patti Labelle, Linda Ronstadt, Liza Minelli or Mariah Carey, and looking just like any of them. It's not the great stroke of fortune you'd imagine. What singers like this hear is, "She's stunning, but it's already been done."

Fortunately, there has long been a demand for doppel-gangers. Concert venues headlined by celebrity doubles are hot tickets, as are tribute bands like The Beastles, Pur-

a world tour. Upon their return, he said to Findlater, "How do you fancy moving to California?" So, they packed up the kids and set off on their next adventure.

Pyramid power

"Earth, Wind & Fire was building a recording studio and wanted my husband to help build it," Findlater said. "I became an assistant director for their road manager. It wasn't a fabulous job, but I got to see everyone and everything unfold."

Illusionist David Copperfield, who appeared during an Earth, Wind & Fire show, made the band's founder, lead singer and main songwriter, Maurice White, disappear and then reappear on top of their signature pyramid.

"I was there," said Findlater, "and I still don't know how he did that."

Subsequently, she got a gig managing a limousine company, which gave her an introduction to major rock bands, plus other talent coming into Los Angeles. It also granted her access to a lot of shows and the chance to hang out with the talent.

"It was an adventurous time in my life," she said. "Eddie Van Halen hired a private jet and took us to the opening of Sammy Hagar's Cabo Wabo Cantina in Cabo San Lucas."

Findlater, who came across many talented lookalike artists along the way, decided it was time to "up the ante," she said, on how those performers were perceived in show business.

"My sister came up with the Mirror Images name, and 29 years later, I still like it," she said. "As the years went by and the business grew, I decided the route I wanted to go was in representing only A-list talent. I can run this business from anywhere, and I often do."

A dozen Marilyns

Findlater has made Monterey her home base and has become a devoted member of the Peninsula community, particularly through volunteering for nonprofit organizations and events like Whalefest Monterey.

"Desperate to get involved in this community, I discovered the Monterey County Film Commission," she said. "My business got listed on their resource board, and then I became a member of their board of directors. Monterey's list of films shot locally is incredible, yet I found that no



Dot Findlater's journeys have taken her onto a private plane with Eddie Van Halen for a restaurant opening and to a ringside seat for illusionist David Copperfield's performance during an Earth, Wind & Fire concert.

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one was casting extras in this area, so now I'm doing that when film crews come to town."

Findlater still travels quite a lot with the talent she's signed. A year or so ago, she said, she was in Barcelona with a Snoop Dog lookalike for a large clothing brand's photo shoot. They had the real deal onsite, but when the rapper couldn't make it for a portion of the shoot, Findlater brought her Snoop-approved version to fill in.

"I never know what will come across my desk every morning," she said. "Once I turn on the computer, who knows where I'll go? I will say we have some of the best lookalikes in the world here in the United States."

Findlater was casting a show for which she was asked to provide 12 "Marilyns," as close as she could get to Miss Monroe.

"Twelve? There are probably two Marilyn's in the country who are spot-on, and the others will be variations in terms of shape, size, color, and that je ne sais quois," she said. She found a small group anyway, though, calling them "variations on a theme" who resembled the iconic actress.

Born Dorothy Findlater, she has identified with the short, spunky "Dot" for most of her life. Yet, she recently has begun to believe she's finally got the years under her belt to identify herself as Dorothy. It's a role she's trying out.

Great Lives

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

ple Reign (Prince), Björn Again (ABBA) and Jimmy's Buffet.

Nearly 30 years ago, Dot Findlater founded "Mirror Images Global Entertainment," a company devoted to bringing recognition and work to talented celebrity lookalikes throughout the entertainment industry.

"Sometimes these performers are categorized as comedic," Findlater said, "but most are talented singers and actors with considerable training and presence."

Although raised in London, most of Findlater's family is settled in Glasgow, which she visited with her parents every chance they got. She now makes her home in Monterey, in a serene setting high on a hill where the sunbelt meets the ocean breezes. Still, her heart remains in Glasgow.

In their element

In her earlier years, Findlater, whose life began in the UK, would hang out at the Round House, a legendary performing arts and concert venue built in London in the 19th century around a turntable that enabled locomotive engines to pivot. Elton John, The Doobie Brothers, and others played there when they were just coming onto the scene, said Findlater. Five years later, they became superstars. The exposure to such talent was heady.

At the time, Findlater was teaching kindergarten and first grade, while her husband had a job repairing instruments for visiting bands. Their lives changed quickly when he was invited to accompany Earth, Wind & Fire on

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HISTORY

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76-foot ship. Its name had been changed and he was disappointed to learn in 1986 that the aged ship had been relegated for use as a channel marker and had sunk — twice (some reports say four times).

In the mid-1990s, when I was president of the Cannery Row Foundation, an undaunted Enea shared his dream with our board. He even took me to meet Berry, and wanted help gathering funds to raise the ship and bring it back to Monterey as an attraction that could take visitors on cruises. It was a dream that Enea would share with anyone that would listen. Our passionate-but-underfunded board agreed

it would be a great project and we would add our support to any effort, but the funds needed would be beyond our reach.

Enea never gave up, though he became quite concerned when the ship was bought with a different vision; it would be cut in half and displayed in a restaurant planned for the former Bruhn's clothing store in Salinas. Just then, in 2015, marine scientist John Gregg, entered the dream. He had no family connection to the Flyer, but was inspired in his youth by "Sea of Cortez," and was also searching for the ship. When he learned of the salvage plans, he dreamed a step further than even Enea.

Small bunks

Gregg formed the Western Flyer Foundation which, with a well-funded board and after years of restoration, brought the ship back to Monterey. I went on board at Moss Landing at a special reception the night before it motored into the Monterey Wharf. I renewed old acquaintances with Enea, Ed Ricketts' granddaughters, Carol Steinbeck's stepdaughter, and met new friends.

The ship looks and feels like a 1930s fishing boat. The bunks and doorways are small, and the original stove is still in place. A casual observer wouldn't know the Western Flyer now has a hybrid electric propulsion system and tens of thousands of dollars' worth of scientific equipment, and has been transformed into a

research vessel.

My wife and I sat with the Travis family and heard many new stories from the old days. The family members were born in Monterey but moved south as children and remained there. Their father was from Texas, but their mother was Italian, so everyone is family. Tex's daughter, Beverly Hooley, shared wedding photos that included Tex, Sparky, Tony and others.

Back at the ship, Enea was visiting with his cousin Gerry, Berry's daughter, and we tried to identify more people in the photos.

What a wonderful evening. The Western Flyer is back in Monterey Bay and generations of future scientists will enjoy the reality that sometimes, seemingly impossible dreams come true.

Saturday was the first opportunity for the public to tour the Western Flyer. The Western Flyer Foundation has developed postsecondary science classes at sea in

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On board to celebrate the return of the Western Flyer are (front to back) Bob Enea, nephew of the original owner, Bettina Hotelling, former editor of the Cannery Row Foundation newsletter, "The Western Flyer," Michael Hemp, founder of the CRF, and Neal Hotelling, former CRF president.

collaboration with the Naval Postgraduate School and Stanford's Hopkins Marine Stations and will continue to develop educational opportunities for the community. For more information on their events, volunteering, and future programs, visit westernflyer.org and sign up for the newsletter.



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Sitting very low in the water in this 1940 photo, The Western Flyer clearly had a good haul of sardines in the hold.

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HEALTHY *Lifestyles*

Montage's new youth mental health facility prepares for grand opening

By LISA LAPIN

AS SOON as you enter, and in every space within, you are enveloped within a homey cocoon. There isn't a sharp corner or straight line to be found, only calming curves, light-filled vistas and fine art.

This is Ohana, where architects and clinicians thoughtfully collaborated to assure that function dictated form throughout the design process. There, its founders and architects believe, thousands of Monterey County youth and their families will be safely ensconced and cared for well into the future, dramatically expanding the region's mental health treatment capacity.

Residential care

Ohana (the Hawaiian word for "family") is a new center serving children and adolescents who need behavioral health-care. It will provide the area's first voluntary residential treatment for adolescents and will house subsequent stages of full-day and after-school treatment and outpatient care. There are provisions for families, too, with resources for everyone in the household — an essential part of ensuring long-term recovery.

The facility was years in the making, with psychologists, neuroscientists and social workers collaborating on planning and design. To the knowledge of Montage officials, there isn't another facility like it anywhere. Weeks before its Nov. 29 grand opening, the sustainable design is already winning awards. The "healthy building" plans by architecture firm NBBJ took top honors from the American Institute of Architects in the 2022 Best Healthcare Design category.

"We want people to feel hugged from the moment they walk in," said Ohana director of operations Jessica Moon on a recent tour, when workers were installing finishing touches. "We will have all stages of mental health treatment in one set-



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Colorful, curved walls — like this one outside of Ohana's conference center — are meant to be welcoming, like a big hug.

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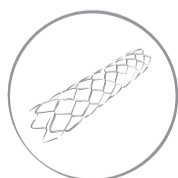
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HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

If you sleep through meetings — but not at night — read this

By KATHARINE BALL

“It is a common experience that a problem difficult at night is resolved in the morning after the committee of sleep has worked on it.”

— John Steinbeck, *“Sweet Thursday”*

WHILE STEINBECK’S pithy observation sounds about right, if your “sleep committee” is less functional than most, local experts say you may need a sleep study.

“Your life relies on it,” said Trish Jackson, the retired owner of the former Monterey Bay Sleep Center. The Centers for Disease Control’s sleep disorders page (bit.ly/3Q-F860a) elaborates, “If not getting enough sleep is a regular part of your routine, you may be at an increased risk for obesity, Type 2 diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease and stroke, poor mental health, and even early death.”

If you’ve counted herds of sheep to no avail, your doctor might order a sleep study, which measures things like how much oxygen you’re getting, arm and leg movements, how long you spend in various sleep stages, and more.

When contemplating that sort of testing, many people envision trying to doze off with a head bristling with wires in an unfamiliar clinical setting bustling with technicians.

But patients don’t necessarily have to come to a sleep clinic for a study, said Jesus Cazares, registered polysomnographic (sleep study) technologist and director of the Montage Sleep Disorders Center, which can loan out equipment for home use. Several of the latest fitness devices, such as the Oura ring, can also track sleep.

Causes, solutions

The most serious sleep disorders are caused by lapses in breathing, known as sleep apnea. Treatment may require a machine to supply the sleeper with a steady stream of oxygen through a mask hooked up to a continuous positive air pressure machine, better known as a CPAP.

Waking with dry mouth, feeling sleepy during the day, and experiencing poor concentration due to fatigue are all reasons to check out whether you have apnea, Cazares said. Prolonged periods of poor sleeping can cause irritability and depression, in addition to the more serious conditions already mentioned.

To ensure optimal sleep conditions, it’s important to keep your bedroom cool and avoid such home remedies



There are plenty of things that might keep you all night, but chronic lack of sleep may require some medical attention.

as a shot of alcohol or a glass of warm milk immediately before bedtime, he said.

“Alcohol may give you a deep sleep, but if you have any apnea, it will make it worse,” he said. The condition is one reason heavy drinkers are notorious snorers, he added.

Also, he said, “Milk will come back in your throat” when you lie down, and can cause acid reflux. If you like a scoop of ice cream as a late-evening treat, be sure to stay up another hour or two so it clears your stomach before you hit the hay.

If you still toss and turn, the key to a good night’s sleep may be establishing a bedtime routine.

“The main thing is to follow a set schedule so you get six to eight hours of uninterrupted sleep,” Cazares said. “Don’t eat heavy foods before bedtime. Don’t take too many naps during the day. Do a little light exercise, such

as light walking, an hour or two before bedtime.”

“Today’s technology is probably part of the problem,” Jackson said, emphasizing that would-be sleepers should put their phones away, out of convenient reach, and turn off the television. She also recommends giving the boot to Fido and/or Fluffy.

“Any pets in bed is not a good idea,” she said. “Any distraction you can get rid of will help you.”

Cazares concurred. “At least 30 minutes before bedtime, turn off electronics and relax the eyes.” He’s had patients who don’t like turning off the TV and claim the background babble of voices helps lull them to sleep. Cazares said a white noise machine, or a white noise app on your phone, is a better bet for attaining quality slumber.

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HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

Fentanyl deaths left behind grief — and fear for other people’s kids

By ELAINE HESSER

NAVIGATING TRAGEDY is like staggering through a pitch-dark tunnel lined with glass shards. Friends want to help, but sitting with that much raw pain is frightening, almost as if calamity might be contagious. There are so many what-ifs, and the riptide of survivor’s guilt — real or imagined — is inexorable.

Ashley Callaú knows. On Monday, March 6, 2022, she found her 15-year-old son, Angelo Klotz, dead in their Pacific Grove home from an overdose of the synthetic opioid, fentanyl. “I looked at the calendar the other day and realized it’s going

to be two years, but it feels like it just happened yesterday,” she said. And the passage of time hasn’t made things easier. As the holidays approach, she sees gifts she’d like to buy him, and “everyone else seems so happy,” while her grief continues.

Callaú choked up as she related that her son had had a substance abuse problem, but had agreed to get help. Outpatient treatment was supposed to start the day he died — one of many what-ifs she carries. She isn’t alone in her grief, however, nor in her desire to help prevent more fentanyl deaths.

Her husband and family are supportive, and Callaú said she received additional emotional support from Reb Close, an addiction and emergency medicine physician with Montage Health. Close put her in touch with another mother who had lost her child to fentanyl, making a big difference in both women’s lives.

‘He was a kid’

They and several other mothers of fentanyl overdose victims created the group, Window of Awareness and hope. They want to tell people their kids’ whole stories, to honor every aspect of their young lives. “I’ve heard people say, ‘Your kid was an addict, and that’s what he got,’” said Callaú. “He wasn’t ‘an addict.’ He was a kid who had an addiction problem.”

The moms also hope that other families won’t have to go through what they have, emphasizing that fentanyl is so powerful that one small pill can contain a fatal overdose. And they’ve found friendship and support.

“Every time we get together, we’re all extremely grateful to be able to share grief

SOME FACTS ABOUT FENTANYL OVERDOSES

FENTANYL IS an opioid, part of a family of medications legitimately prescribed to relieve pain but also used illicitly to get high. Natural opioids, derived from poppy plants, include opium, codeine, morphine and heroin. Semi-synthetic versions, like buprenorphine (a painkiller also used to treat addiction), hydrocodone (Vicodin) and oxycodone (OxyContin and Percocet), combine natural opioids with manmade chemicals.

Synthetic opioids include fentanyl, used medically to blunt severe pain (like that experienced by cancer patients), and methadone, used to treat opioid addiction.

The U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency says fentanyl is 100 times more potent than morphine, and it’s inexpensive to produce, so criminals mix it with other illicit drugs or sell it on its own. Illicitly produced prescription drugs can be laced with fentanyl, and taking even one can be fatal.

Morphine, heroin, cocaine and methamphetamine can also contain the drug. “Rainbow fentanyl” refers to pills in assorted colors that appeal to youngsters and teens, and liquid fentanyl is sometimes dropped onto small candies.

The California Department of Public Health says that fentanyl-related deaths for kids ages 10-19 rose statewide from 36 in 2018, to 261 in 2020 — some of the 4,000 Californians who overdosed on the drug that year.

Per the Centers for Disease, opioid

overdose symptoms include:

- Pinpoint pupils
- Falling asleep or losing consciousness
- Limp body
- Slow, shallow breathing
- Choking or gurgling sounds
- Cold and/or clammy skin
- Discolored skin, especially lips and nails

If you find someone in this condition, call 911 immediately and stay with them until paramedics arrive. The CDC advises rolling them on their side to prevent choking, and trying to keep them awake and breathing. Narcan (naloxone) can be given as a nasal spray or injection to quickly reverse the drug’s effects. It won’t hurt someone who doesn’t need it. The agency emphasizes that you should not wait for paramedics to administer Narcan.

For more information on fentanyl, see dea.gov/onepill, and to learn about obtaining and using Narcan, visit the CDC website at cdc.gov/drugoverdose/featured-topics/naloxone.html.



A fatal dose of fentanyl is minuscule.



Angelo Klotz, 15, died of a fentanyl overdose in 2022.

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T H E K I T C H E N

Mjadara — Middle Eastern lentils and rice

By SALLY BAHO

MJARADA (PRONOUNCED MU-jad-ara) is a simple lentil dish ... think the Middle Eastern version of rice and beans. The first known recording of the recipe is from the Kitab-al-Tabikh, literally “the Book of Cooking,” compiled in 1226 in Iraq. Variations of this dish can be found as kushari in Egypt, kitchidi in India, and addas polo in Iran. In this recipe, Sally Baho, local food writer and science nerd, shares her personal and family favorite.

Mjadara is vegan and a complete protein, making it an excellent replacement for meat dishes. Complete proteins provide the body with the nine essential amino acids that it does not produce but needs for proper function. Amino acids are the building blocks for protein, required to build and repair muscles and tissues and transport nutrients. Further, lentils are high in B vitamins, fiber, iron and potassium.

According to the American Heart Association, increased fiber can reduce low density lipids, the “bad” cholesterol.

Adequate fiber intake also plays an important role in satiety, or feeling full, because it acts a “bulking agent” in the digestive system, also important for weight loss and maintenance and stable blood sugar levels.

It can be prepared in a variety of ways, like using alternative grains as listed below. Further, the onions can be fried and served on top, rather than cooked in the dish, but the method below is the simplest and most nutritious, and can be ready to feed you and your family in about 30 minutes.

Don't skip parboiling the lentils. This initial quick boil reduces the levels of raffinose, the substance found in legumes,



cabbage and Brussels sprouts that is responsible for flatulence.

INGREDIENTS

(Serves 3-4)

- 1 cup brown lentils**
- 1/2 cup long grain white rice or bulgar***
- 1 white onion, diced**
- 2 cups filtered water, plus tap water for parboiling**

A generous pinch of coarse salt, plus extra for serving

1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil, for serving
Ground cumin to taste, for serving

Place lentils in a large pot, cover with tap water, and bring to a boil over high heat. Once the water starts to boil, drain the lentils. Add the rice (or bulgar) and onion to the pot and add the filtered water. Make sure the lentils, rice, and onions are completely covered by the water. Place over medium-high heat and give it a good stir. Once it has come to a boil, reduce the heat to low and let simmer for about 15 minutes, or until all the water has been absorbed.

Place in a serving dish and drizzle with olive oil and ground cumin. The dish is traditionally served with Middle Eastern-style pickled vegetables: cucumber, turnip, beet, cabbage, cauliflower, etc. These pickles can be found at the International Market in Monterey.

*Bulgar is cracked wheat that is parboiled and dried before packaging. It is a whole grain but since the wheat berries are cracked and precooked, they take much less time to cook than whole wheat berries. You can find bulgar (Bob's Red Mill is a common brand) at most grocery stores or at the International Market at 580 Light-house Ave. in Monterey.



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ting. It's designed to take away any stigma, to signal that we are all in this together, to be supportive and nurturing. Patients and their families are going to feel proud to be here."

Situated on an oak-filled hillside on Lower Ragsdale Drive in Ryan Ranch, Ohana contains more than 55,000 square feet devoted entirely to supporting youth mental health care from crisis to recovery. The facility is as non-institutional as possible. Massive windows convey healing light and frame equally massive coast live oaks, with vistas of the coastal hills beyond.

The complex is built in the shape of a cocoon — one giant, embracing oval. The center outdoor space — which echoes the oval design — is still under construction, but will contain gardens, an amphitheater, spacious decks, and pathways along the hillside. The interior houses thoughtfully designed meeting spaces, dorm-style bed-

rooms and several living rooms for patients, families and staff.

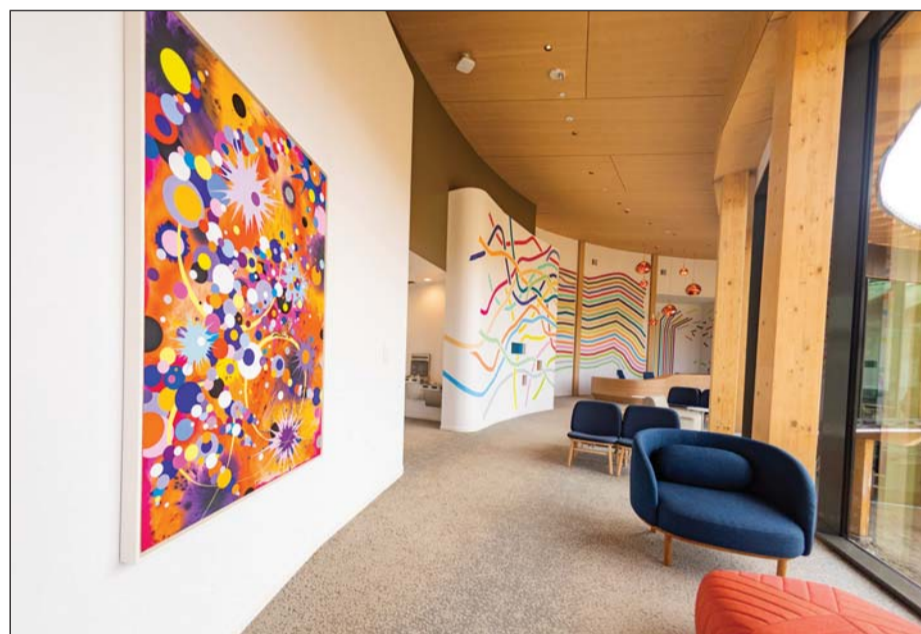
Art makes sense

And then there is the art. On every wall, at every turn, there is something bright and interesting for contemplation. A new venture for Montage Health's Art and Wellness program, the works are tailored for youth. The more than 200 artworks, including commissioned poetry, have an emphasis on California artists.

There are hearts and dancing figures by famed graphic artist Keith Haring. A whimsical series of watercolors featuring the tortoise, hare, owl, fox and bear, were done by Michael McConnell, a San Francisco artist whose website says "Making art is how Michael makes sense of the world and his forgotten childhood."

A massive 3D landscape of paper, bamboo and wood by Jacob Hashimoto —

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The art at Montage's new Ohana facility is colorful and youth-oriented.

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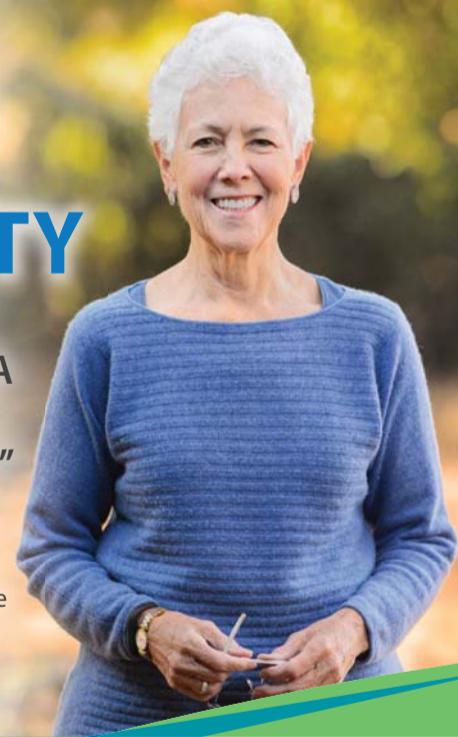
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Jackson is familiar with people who balk at the notion of using a CPAP machine.

“They say, ‘I don’t want that thing on my face,’” she said. Her recommendation is to try it anyway. When patients get quality sleep using the machine, they begin to see its value. And she noted that small, portable models are made for use when traveling.

Complaints about snoring from a bed partner are a clue you may have apnea, Cazares said.

Likewise, anyone who has had a significant weight gain or serious health setback could benefit from a sleep study.

“It’s good to get tested every four to five years,” he said.

Montagehealth.org lists information and resources for the sleep-deprived, he noted, as well as downloadable questionnaires from the Sleep Disorders Center.



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whose works are in the collections of corporations like Microsoft and Capital One, as well as numerous galleries worldwide — greets everyone at the entrance.

Outside the largest space, a conference center for free public programming, there is a floor-to-ceiling mural of what could be undulating blue waves, or maybe flower petals or puffy clouds, by Oakland street artist Jet Martinez, whose efforts embrace his Hispanic heritage.

Opening in spring will be 16 overnight residential care rooms where patients will have access to kitchens for snacks, and cozy circular living rooms to watch a movie. Curved walls everywhere provide vistas while simultaneously offering privacy. There is also classroom space, as young people in residential and full-day treatment will go to school for part of each day.

For all patients, there are specially designed spaces for art and music classes and for free expression and creativity to inspire and uplift moods. The extensive Ohana staff includes art and music therapists. Outdoor gardens will be tended by patients, featuring vegetables and plants such as rosemary and lavender. A gym will host everything from basketball to dance, and yoga to mindfulness classes, to encourage movement.

“There is neuroscience behind the entire design, with everything thought through to create an environment that is safe and welcoming, and gives patients the agency of choice and control,” Moon said. All patients, she added, will have some ownership over their days.

Teens in the residential care wings will be able to decorate their own spaces, selecting from a collection of 34 photographs by 17 student artists to hang on their walls during their stay.

Desperate need

Ohana was born from a desperate need for mental health services to support young people, who are experiencing crises in record numbers, according to Montage Health spokesperson Monica Sciuto. Monterey County facilities are scant. Within Montage Medical Group, youth mental health therapy has been housed in the major Ryan Ranch medical complex on Upper Ragsdale Road, intermingled with a host of other medical specialties. Youth needing more immediate intervention are cared for and housed at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula.

Once the new Ohana space is fully open, Montage Health expects total youth mental health patient visits to

double from 20,000 per year to 40,000 or more, with a goal of 1,500 outpatient visits per week. Patients come from throughout the county.

The Ohana campus was made possible by a 2018, \$105.8 million gift from Roberta “Bertie” Bialek Elliot, a Monterey County resident and longtime CHOMP board member. Wanting to do something transformational for the community, she made the historic gift to create Ohana in 2018. Then the planning began.

Caring for caregivers

It is rare for any community to have a facility dedicated entirely to youth mental health, and it’s even rarer for families to receive consideration while it’s being designed.

Ohana will have space for families to hang out while a child meets with clinical staff. There will be wifi and comfortable chairs, a snack kitchen and multiple types of resources, from educational videos to aromatherapy. Families and patients will be able to dine in the soaring wood-and-glass walled cafeteria, together with the Ohana staff.

Staff self-care is also provided for in the design, with outdoor decks and quiet retreats. Turnover in behavior health fields can be as high as 40 percent, as a result of what Montage officials described as “arousal fatigue” from the intensity of the work.

Ohana also has a volunteer youth council comprising local high school students who helped paint some of the colorful murals. They also advise on topics and programs that might interest young people. Ohana is already closely connected to local schools, with social workers who give school workshops on topics such as mental resiliency.

Any county resident through age 25 will be eligible to receive support and care at Ohana with a referral from a local hospital, physician or school counselor. The residential care area will serve youth to age 18, after they’ve received initial crisis stabilization support at a local hospital.

The public will be able to attend an array of family-focused educational programs that will be held in the large meeting area. Following the same curved-wall principle, it’s not exactly an auditorium, and not exactly a lecture hall, but an inviting community space.

Numerous free classes and workshops are offered by Montage Health educators, and more will be scheduled once Ohana opens. Topics include “Healthy Habits for Mental Fitness,” “Raising Resilient Children,” “Navigating Fatherhood with a Baby,” and “Understanding and Supporting Youth in Crisis.” For a schedule, see montage-health.org/classes-events



(Top) The building’s curves are designed to be soothing, and there is space inside for meetings and community presentations.

“We are about helping the entire family at every stage, from providing training and support to parents, to helping siblings, and providing the community with preventive education,” said Moon, standing in the new grand entry lobby still scented with fresh paint. “Every child deserves this, to be held, supported, treated with great kindness and valued, and in a beautiful space that allows for the best possible care. We can’t wait for the first patients to walk through this door.”

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and think things through,” Callaú said. Their kids’ photos and biographies, along with resources for others who have lost family members to overdoses, are at window-of-awareness.com.

She wrote that Klotz was “a typical teenager” who had an eye for design. He had many friends and “a report card full of A’s and B’s” at a local charter school. The entry for Jacob Vasquez, 24, who died Thanksgiving weekend in 2020, describes how he went to the beach and Christmas shopping before taking a pill that looked like the anti-anxiety medication Xanax, but turned out to be laced with fentanyl. Noah Gruberman, who at age 35 is the oldest person memorialized on the page, had 13-year-old twins when he died.

No matter how many stories you read — and there are plenty scattered around newspapers and programs across the country — you won’t be able to find a common denominator, a thing that would say, “those people, but not my family,” because there isn’t one.

No one is excluded

There are no inpatient treatment facilities in Monterey County for young people who have substance abuse problems. In 2021, Montage Health, parent company of Community Hospital, received a \$625,000 taxpayer grant (spread over five years) through the Centers for Disease Control “to build a coalition of community partners and address alcohol and drug use among youth in the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District.”

Ohana, Montage’s youth mental health program, has used some of the money to create student organizations they hope will help prevent more fentanyl deaths, and it’s funded efforts to provide more information to parents and make Narcan, which almost anyone can administer, more easily available.

The beach, Christmas shopping, and a single pill

According to the Monterey County Behavioral Health Department’s website, the independent nonprofits Sun Street Centers and Valley Health Associates offer outpatient adolescent treatment programs for drug addiction. But treatment seems to be only one part of the answer.

No statistics correlating addiction and fentanyl deaths were readily available, but the number of accounts of Americans who died because they took what they thought was a Xanax or Percocet (a commonly prescribed painkiller) — purchased from an illicit source, usually online — suggests that many of those who overdosed would not have thought of themselves as needing treatment in the first place.

Callaú said that anyone who is concerned about fentanyl use can join Windows of Awareness — it isn’t only for mothers; it’s just worked out that way so far.

“We’re not excluding anyone,” she said, and there’s a form on the website for people who want to contact them.

Ultimately, the group’s members would like to build a physical memorial to their children. Callaú said she hoped it would be near a resource center where people could find information about addiction and the kind of help that’s available. Although she didn’t say so, the moms clearly don’t want to add any more photos to the website.



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Led by guest conductor **Andrew Grams**, the symphony

sitions, Liszt's "dramatic and enduring classic," *Les Preludes*, and Brahms' "poetic" *Violin Concerto*. Concertmaster and violinist **Christina Mok** will be featured as a soloist when the symphony plays the Brahms piece.

Be my guest

For this concert, symphony conductor **Jayce Ogren** passes the baton to Grams.

"It's my absolute pleasure to welcome Andrew to our Monterey Symphony community," Ogren said. "I consider him to be one of the finest musicians and conductors I know."

As an added surprise, each concert will be preceded by the presentation of a documentary film, "Composing Big Sur," which delves into the creative process the symphony's composer-in-residence **John Wineglass** went through to write *Sacred Land: Concerto for Violin and Orchestra*. The piece was commissioned by the symphony and the Big Sur Land Trust.

Everybody attending the film will receive a complimentary "Wine Glass for Wineglass."

The film screens Saturday at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m.

General admission tickets start at \$45, with \$12 tickets available for students, teachers and active-duty military. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. For more details, call (831) 646-8511 or visit monteresymphony.org

Choir celebrates birthday in P.G.

Featuring more than two dozen voices, **The Aria Women's Choir** celebrates its 12th anniversary with concerts Saturday at 7 p.m. and



Woods, an indie rock band from Brooklyn with singer and guitarist Jeremy Earl (above), plays Saturday at Fernwood Resort in Big Sur.

Sunday at 3 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Pacific Grove.

The program includes "a rich tapestry of psalms, hymns, and spirituals, each thoughtfully selected to resonate with the depths of the human spirit," according to the music group. The choir will be accompanied by pianist Jon-Mark Hurlley.

"We are thrilled to mark this significant milestone in our choir's history," said the leader and artistic director of the choir, **Sean Boulware**. "This concert represents the culmination of years of dedication and a celebration of the power of music to inspire, uplift and unite."

Tickets are \$25 for general admission, \$15 for seniors and active military, and \$10 for anyone under 18. The

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On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

will introduce audiences to contemporary composer Anna Clyne's *Pivot*. The piece debuted just two years ago at the Edinburgh International Festival, which, appropriately, was the inspiration behind it.

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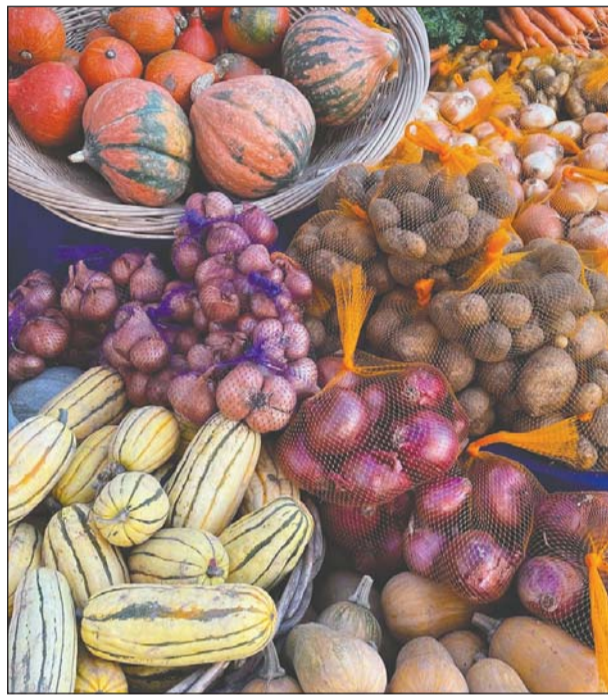
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FOOD & WINE

Farmers market hours, French food news, and Coastal Roots gives back

TIME MARCHES on — or trots in a lively fashion, in this case — toward Thanksgiving. The folks at Monterey Bay Certified Farmers Markets want customers at the Del Monte Center market (usually held each Friday) to know that they can pick up produce, veggies, eggs, fresh bread and even flowers for the holiday table, on Wednesday, Nov. 22, from 8 a.m. to noon. The market will be closed for Black Friday, Nov. 24, but will return every Friday through the end of the year.

The new farmers market on Canyon Del Rey in Seaside near the Embassy Suites, run by Everyone's Harvest, will be closed on Thanksgiving and will return from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. every Thursday, except Dec. 28 and Jan. 4. The group's Monday Pacific Grove market, at the corner of Grand and Central avenues, began winter hours of 3 to 6 p.m. earlier this month. — *EH*



Farmers markets abound with all kinds of squash — including some you've probably never heard of. To keep Thanksgiving fresh and local, the weekly market at Del Monte Center will be open Wednesday.

■ Thanksgiving dinner, French-style

Pâtisserie Boissiere, on Mission between Ocean and Seventh, is offering a French twist on Thanksgiving dinner from 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the big day. First course choices include the requisite butternut squash soup or frisee salad (with bacon lardons), but you can also dive into

Soup to Nuts

a blue crab terrine with celery root and fish roe, a plate of wagyu beef tartare, or wild forest mushroom tartlets with herb goat cheese and white peach gastrique.

The second course is a choice of turkey, halibut, prime rib or root vegetable gratin. Dessert is pumpkin cheesecake or sour cherry and apple crumble with vanilla ice cream. The a la carte menu will also be available from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. You can reserve a seat on Open Table or call (831) 624-5008 for more info. — *EH*

■ In other French news

(This item comes from The Pine Cone's resident sommelier, Roxanne Langer.) How does one become a Michelin Guide California 2023 Sommelier Award Winner? Just ask John Haffey, Aubergine's lead sommelier.

Aubergine, of course, is the Michelin-starred restaurant inside L'Auberge Carmel at Monte Verde and Seventh, and I recently caught up with John Haffey, its lead sommelier and the winner of Michelin Guide's prestigious California 2023 Sommelier of the Year, to ask how he got his start in the wine industry. As a somm, myself, and having worked in the industry for a long time, I have come across many of our ilk in the United States and abroad who have their noses in the air — but also, many who are down-to-earth and humble. Haffey is the latter.

He said that while working at a pet store and dating the woman he later married, he had the opportunity to meet someone in the wine industry who sparked his interest in a career. Of course, there was also a bottle of older vintage Mondavi cabernet sauvignon involved!

That spark led Haffey to a position as a wine educa-



John Haffey, Aubergine's main wine expert, was recognized as Michelin Guide's 2023 California Sommelier of the Year. He sought a job at the restaurant after an anniversary dinner, and worked his way to the top.

tor at Folktale winery, and while there, he sought tutelage from winemaker David Baird. After some time at the winery, he and his wife enjoyed an anniversary dinner at Aubergine, and they were struck by how "quiet the staff was" as they approached the table and how efficiently they served the couple — not to mention with the quality of the food — creating a perfect evening. Not long after, Haffey noticed an advert posted on social media by Aubergine's chef, Justin Cogley. The place was looking to add another sommelier position. Haffey applied and started out as a dining room attendant, so he could learn the flow of service. His education continued in the bar, and he eventually

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was moved to a “flex” job as an alternate sommelier, ultimately going full time. Once Covid-19 ended, Haffey became the lead sommelier.

Somms are always asked to name their favorite wines, but I asked him to share his favorite wine regions. Without hesitation, he responded, “Champagne” — evidenced by the 120-150 bubbly offerings on the restaurant’s wine list — as well as Burgundy, the Northern Rhone and Germany, which he said he has just started to seriously explore. When asked about his favorite local wine events, he mentioned that he always enjoyed the Winemakers’ Celebration put on by Monterey County Vintners and Growers every June on Dolores Street. — *RL*

Coastal Roots keeps giving

Ken and Mona Donkersloot own Coastal Roots Hospitality, the parent company of Rio Grill, Montrio Bistro and Tarpy’s,

and they recently donated \$10,475.50 to MY Museum. The downtown Monterey museum for kids was the July/August beneficiary of Coastal Roots’ “Pick It Up — Pay It Forward” program, which gives nonprofits 10 percent of all proceeds from carryout orders from the three restaurants.

Since 2020, Coastal Roots Hospitality has donated to groups like the Food Bank for Monterey County, Kinship Center (now Seneca Care), and Wonder Wood Ranch, among others.

If you want to support a local restaurant, have a great takeout meal and have your money go back to the community, you can find more information at coastalrootshospitality.com. The program does not apply to delivery orders. To learn more about MY Museum, visit mymuseum.org, where you can also purchase tickets to two upcoming Gingerbread Extravaganza events, one for ages 21 and up on Nov. 30, and a kids’ event on Dec. 2. Each ticket includes one gingerbread house — plus frosting and candy to use in creating an architectural masterpiece — as well as other age-appropriate activities, snacks and drinks. — *SB*

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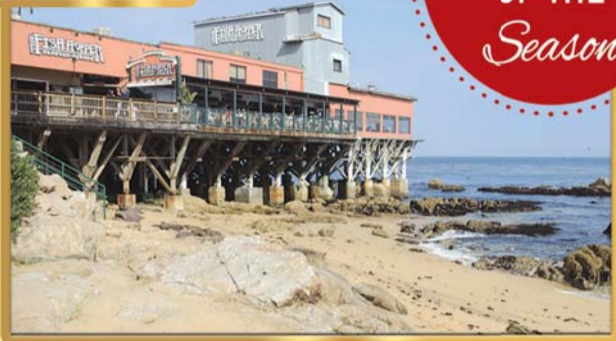
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In the latest offering of the Sand City venue's free lunchtime concert series, cellists **Saul Richmond Rakerd** and **Michelle Djokic** perform Friday at noon at the Sand Box.

Besides being a member of Monterey Symphony, Rakerd plays with the San Francisco Ballet Orchestra. Djokic is the owner and founder of the Sand Box. "Enjoy a carefully curated menu of cello

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Live music Nov. 17-23

Bernardus Lodge & Spa in Carmel Valley — pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **Gil Cadilli** (jazz, Saturday at noon), pianist **Mathias Morris** (classical, Saturday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Paul Behan** (Sunday at noon), flutist **Kenny Stahl** (Thursday at 11 a.m.), 415 W. Carmel Valley Road.

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

Blue Fox Cellars in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Kyle Kovalik** (Sunday

at 2 p.m.). 25 Pilot Road. **Bulldog Sports Pub** in Monterey — **Tribe in the Sky** presents a weekly Community Jam (Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.). 611 Lighthouse Ave.

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

Cypress Inn — singer and pianist **Dino Vera** (jazz, blues and r&b, Friday at 7 p.m.), pianist **Genady 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 — **Woods** (indie rock, Saturday at 10 p.m.). 47200 Highway 1.

Folktales Winery in Carmel Valley — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Rory Lynch** (Friday at 4 p.m.), singers and guitarists **Thomas Burks** and **Stephen Pavlik** (Sunday at 2 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

Gusto Pasta and Pizza in Seaside — singer and guitarist **Al James** and bassist **Jesse DeCarlo** (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.

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The Inn at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach — pianist **Bill Spencer**, bassist **Joe Dolister** and drummer **Andy Weis** (jazz,

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Intercontinental Hotel in Monterey — singer and guitarist **Zack Freitas** (Friday at 7 p.m. and Saturday at 9 a.m.), guitarist **John Sherry** (rock and blues, Saturday at 9 a.m.), guitarist **Terrence Farrell** (Latin



Cellist Saul Richmond Rakerd performs Friday at the Sand Box in Sand City.

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.

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ARTISTS

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need to do something else," she recalled. "That was a shock, but I got it — it was time to stretch myself."

Hatcher worked for 3 1/2 years with Monterey County's One Voice arts and leadership program, supervising teams of young people, ages 14 to 22, as they created murals. She also worked for world-renowned sculptor Richard McDonald.

"Apparently I had a Sunday off at some point, and didn't know what to do, so I walked into Searle Art Supplies and said, 'Are you hiring?'" she said. "They said, 'Well, we need somebody to work Sundays,' and I said, 'Perfect — just so happens, that's my day off.'"

For the next 12 years, she managed Searle and its other location, ArtMax, hiring and training staff and organizing shows, demonstrations, and sales events.

In 2008, she visited India for the first time, and fell in love with the experience, returning for more exploration for seven consecutive years.

"That country is huge, and the vastness is what kept me going back," she said. "I've visited Mumbai, Gola, Pune, Delhi, Rishikesh, Jakkur, Amaritza ... I've been all over the place, and probably haven't seen one-eighth of what India has to offer."

She hasn't been back since 2015, when she decided to open Imagine Art Supplies — a decision she made spon-

taneously after she was unable to find a shade of orange paint at local art stores. (Searle and ArtMax closed their doors two years earlier.) She finally found the shade she needed — in Santa Cruz. By the time she got home, she had made her decision, and three weeks later, she found the Forest Avenue space.

'Beyond the Bullwhip Days'

Hatcher's portfolio includes graphite and charcoal drawings, acrylic and watercolor paintings, collages and some sculpture. Her best-known work is a series of 32 portraits entitled, "Beyond the Bullwhip Days" — images of people who shared stories of being enslaved during the 19th century. The artwork is based on the book entitled "Bullwhip Days: The Slavers Remember: An Oral History," a project by the Works Progress Administration's

Federal Writers Project.

She would like to record readings, in dialect, from the transcripts of those who were interviewed for the book — recordings she plans to match to her portraits for future exhibits.

This year, she has showcased that work and other art in five shows. The event at Pacific Grove Art Center — "My Name Is ... Visual Storytelling through Art and Culture" — also features the art of mentors at the Youth Art Collective: Hatcher, Biddle, Perry, Jess Soriano and Natalia Corazza.

Images of Hatcher's work can be viewed online at facebook.com/imagineartsupplies. Contact her at imagineartsupplies@gmail.com or (831) 372-1388.

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With 50 images from 50 years, gallery pays tribute to photographer

ONE OF the world's premier landscape photographers, Michael Kenna is the subject of a retrospective show that opens Saturday at the Center for Photographic Art.

The gallery at Sunset Center will be the site of a talk by the artist at 3 p.m. (standing-room tickets are \$10 for members and \$20 for others), and a reception at 4 p.m. (free).

This year marks the 50th in Kenna's career as a fine art photographer, and to celebrate the anniversary, the CPA is displaying one of his images from each year.

A native of England and resident of Seattle who intended to become a priest before picking up a camera, Kenna is famous among his peers for his lengthy exposures in low light.

"We are thrilled to bring Michael Kenna and his work to the Center for Photographic Art," CPA executive director Ann Jastrab told The Pine Cone.

"His exquisite, handcrafted, silver gelatin prints have been exhibited throughout the world. We're honored that the renowned artist will be here in person to discuss his career and sign copies of his new book."

Titled, "Collecting Light, Photographs 1973-2023" — and co-sponsored by Weston Gallery — the show will be on display through Dec. 10.

The gallery is open Wednesday through Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. photography.org

■ Talking about 'Sacred Encounters'

The curator of a group exhibit of photographs, "Sacred Encounters," that's now on display at the Monterey Museum of Art, Helaine Glick hosts a panel talk Saturday at the museum with photographers Martha Casanave, Eduardo Fujii, J.M. Golding,

Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

Richard Murai, Nadezda Nikolova, Manuello Paganelli and Kenneth Parker. The event starts at 11:30 a.m., and tickets are \$5 for museum members and \$20 for others.

The show, which opened Sept. 8, "explores different approaches to documenting sacred experiences and spiritual connections through portraiture, architecture, landscape, and abstraction in black and white and color," according to the museum. It will be on display through Dec. 17.

The museum is located at 559 Pacific St. montereyart.org.



"Fishnet Structure, Biwa Lake, Honshu, Japan" by Michael Kenna is featured in a new show at the Center for Photographic Art.

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Coster, Carmel. **Second team:** Cynthia Moreau and Charlee Riddle, Carmel; Sofia Luna, Santa Catalina. **Sportsmanship:** Mikayla Davidson, Carmel; Layla Borman, Santa Catalina.

Girls volleyball, Mission Division — Most Valuable Player: Ava Edwards, Stevenson. **Defensive Player of the Year:** Taylor Onitsuka, Stevenson. **All-Mission, first team:** Grace Von Schack, Ava Edwards, Taylor Onitsuka and Gina Da Silva, Stevenson. **Second team:** Lucia de Marignac, Stevenson. **Sportsmanship:** Emma Sondergaard, Stevenson. **Sportsmanship team award:**

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Girls water polo, PCAL — Most Valuable Player: Emmerson Ferreira, Stevenson. **Offensive Player of the Year:** Miranda Salinger, Stevenson. **Defensive player of the Year:** Sienna Cimoli, Stevenson. **All-PCAL, first team:** Emmerson Ferreira, Miranda Salinger, Sienna Cimoli, Arielle Dale and Anna Mitchell, Stevenson; Quinn Connolly, Santa Catalina. **Second team:** Jaqui Powers and Charlotte Morrow, Stevenson; Riley Barringer, Santa Catalina; Eva Montgomery, Carmel. **Sportsmanship:** Siri Henrickson, Stevenson; Abby Clarke, Santa Catalina; Eva Montgomery, Carmel.

Boys water polo, PCAL — Most Valuable Player: Tate Escher, Stevenson; **Offensive Player of the Year:** Laird Welch, Stevenson, and River Lyon, Pacific Grove. **All-PCAL, first team:** Tate Escher, Beckett Heywood and Laird Wesch, Stevenson; Jack Balas, David Cortez and London Selby-Lara, Carmel. **Sportsmanship:** Nico Rupp, Stevenson; Harper Hohman, Carmel.



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p.m.), **Hotbox Harry** ("Big Sur country rock," Saturday at 7 p.m.), Singer-Songwriter Showcase (Tuesday at 7 p.m.). Carmel Plaza, Mission and Ocean.

The Lodge at Pebble Beach — singer and guitarist **Anne Sibley** (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Casey Wickstrom** (rock and blues, Saturday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **Gil Cadilli** (jazz, in the Card Room, Thursday at noon), singer and pianist **John Harris** (jazz, In the Terrace Lounge, Thursday at 3 p.m.) guitarist **Javier Sanchez** (Latin American music, in the Card Room, Thursday at 3 p.m.). 1700 17 Mile Drive.

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

Midici Pizza in Monterey — **Janice's Jazz Jam** with keyboardist **Gary Meek**, bassist **Steve Uccello** and drummer **Billy Jones** (Sunday at 5 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St.

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

Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa — pianist **Steve Mann** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and pianist **Scott Brown** (jazz and pop, Saturday at 6 p.m.), pianist **Peter Cor** (jazz,

Sunday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Daniel Cortes** (Monday at 6:30 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Rory Lynch** (Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Casey Wickstrom** (rock and blues, Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.), **The Steve Mann Duo** (jazz, Thursday at 12:45 p.m.), flutist **Kenny Stahl** and guitarist **Bob Burnett** (jazz, Thursday at 4:10 p.m.). 400 Cannery Row.

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

Puma Road at Portola Plaza in Monterey — singer and guitarist **Kito Rayburn** (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Linda Arceo** (Saturday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **Peter Martin** and bassist **Zach Westfall** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.). 281 Alvarado St.

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

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Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley — saxophonist **Roger Eddy** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), **Boscoe's Brood** (rock, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place.

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

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WINE

From page 46A

■ A new winery takes root

Anticipation is rising for the potential new Carmel Coast American Viticultural Area in the northern hills above mid-Carmel Valley.

Greg and Chris Vita, consulting winemakers to several wineries in this region, said several years ago that the best potential spot for new vineyards was a mere 10 miles from the ocean. A steady, cool ocean breeze provides a long growing season and has much-sought-after soils of uplifted ancient seabed, which can offer wine more elegance and minerality.

Familiar names such as Albatross Ridge Winery have grown grapes here for many years, but a few new wineries have recently emerged, one of which is Domaine Messier — a name to take note of if you are a Burgundian wine lover, or just a fan of a more elegant wine.

Luc Messier and his wife, Julie Fette, purchased the property in 2018, after spending considerable time looking at vineyards in France, Italy and Oregon. They started

with 93 acres and quickly planted approximately 10 acres each of chardonnay and pinot noir, using several different clones well suited to their soils. In addition to bringing over winery equipment from France, they engaged well-known Burgundian winemakers Etienne Grivot of Domaine Jean Grivot in Burgundy, and his wife, Marielle, who both work with the Vitas to produce this wine.

Star clusters

The couple chose the name Domaine Messier as Messier is Luc's French-Canadian family name, which in Old French means "guardian of the harvest." The labels have a unique interpretation of famed French astronomer Charles Messier's catalogue of nebulae and star clusters, which came to be known as the Messier objects.

Per the winery's website, "Emblazoning each bottle of Domaine Messier wine, you will find artfully interpreted images of Messier objects that correspond with each vintage produced."

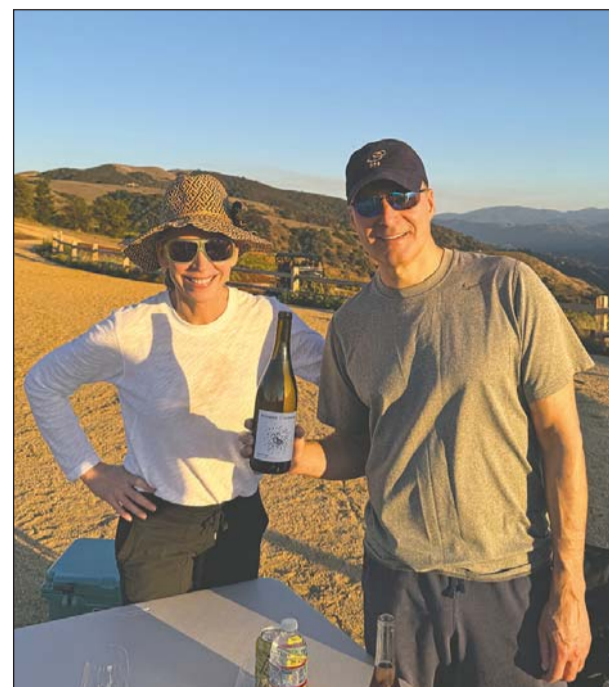
It's a cool concept, but opening the wine is truly where the magic begins. Here are two to try:

2022 Chardonnay, \$58: Light with bright acidity, lemon and lemon zest, moving to slightly more tropical notes. I tasted this on its initial release in August and again a week ago and on the most recent tasting, a beautiful and

elegant wine had emerged, with a lingering citrus and mineral finish.

2022 Pinot Noir, Cuvée du Nouveau Monde, \$88: Lovely red cherry and raspberry fruits on the nose and on the palate ending with a touch of blueberry and baking spices. — RL

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



Julie Fette and her husband, Luc Messier, opened Domaine Messier winery. They grow their own grapes near Carmel Valley.



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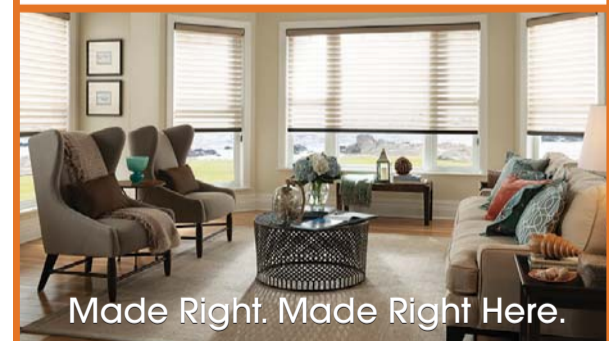
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CALENDAR

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-Dec. 24 – Baum & Blume's Holiday Boutique is open! It's "one-stop" holiday shopping – "fun-tastic" ornaments and décor, cozy accessories, great selection of holiday gifts for dads, kids, everyone! Gourmet goodies in our Farm Pantry, too! Shop 11:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Mon.-Sat., Baum & Blume and The Carriage House, 4 El Caminito, Carmel Valley. (831) 659-0400.

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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File No. 20231759
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: COAST CONSTRUCTION, 9940 Eddy Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, JESSICA CHAVEZ JUAREZ aka JESSICA JUAREZ, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A. Present name: ALEXANDER JESUS ORTEGA
Proposed name: ALEXANDER JESUS JUAREZ

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

NOTICE OF HEARING: DATE: Dec. 1, 2023 TIME: 8:30 a.m. DEPT: 14

The address of the court is 1200 Agujaito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231818
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231703
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: YUKIKO'S DOG GROOMING, 23 E. Romie Ln., Salinas, CA 93901.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231896
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: Healthy Vegetables Organic Farm, 1700 Old Stage rd., Salinas, CA 93908 County of MONTEREY

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231881
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TIERRA DE ESPERANZA ORGANIC FARM, 1700 Old Stage Rd., Salinas, California 93908.

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File No. 20231919
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BIHLER'S TRASH HAULING & JUNK REMOVAL, 343 California St., Salinas, CA 93901.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231926
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MJ ORGANIC FARMS, 1700 Old Stage Rd., Salinas, CA 93908.

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File No. 20231839
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SELECT PHYSICAL THERAPY, 408 Main Street, Salinas, CA 93901.

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File No. 20231809
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PETITE HOME DESIGNS, 1401 21st Street, Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811.

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File No. 20231844
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LOS PRISMAS ORGANIC FARMS, 700 Old Stage Rd., Salinas, CA 93908.

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File No. 20231854
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: FAIRWINDS REFRIGERATION, 702 Stanford Avenue, Salinas, CA 93901 County of MONTEREY

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CLEAN BY REINE, 45260 Merritt St., King City, CA 93930.

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File No. 20231704
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MONTEREY COUNTY PROBATE, 587 San Felipe St., Salinas, CA 93901, County of Monterey

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231825
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: KLEAN SUPPLY, 212 Griffin St., Salinas, CA 93901.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231942
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: WILD HORSE GARDEN, 230 Barbara Cir., Marina, CA 93933.

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File No. 20231911
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ABSTRACT CHIC 2, THE DIAMOND ELECTRIC 3, JOE NANCE MUSIC 4, AVIAROCKS 5, ARTIST N.E.M.

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Government Code Sections 6250-6277. S/Joseph T. Nance, President Date: Oct. 18, 2023

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231704
Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: EDEN HOMES, 17700 Riverbend Rd., Salinas, CA 93908.

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File No. 20231949
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231908
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CULTIVOS MIXTECO 953 ORGANIC FARMS, 1700 Old Stage Rd., Salinas, CA 93908.

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File No. 20231713
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SLEEP HEALTH - MD, 1665 Domencia Way, Ste. 222A, Santa Cruz, CA 95065

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IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

Holiday craft fairs Saturday at several downtown locations

By MARY SCHLEY

FOR MORE than a half-century, the City of Carmel has organized a holiday marketplace for artisans and crafters to showcase their wares on the Saturday before Thanksgiving, and over the years, other organizations in town have staged their own craft fairs to complement it, offering plenty of opportunities for shoppers to find just the right gifts.

The 52nd Homecrafters' Marketplace will be held in the north lot at Sunset Center Nov. 18 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., featuring vendors from Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz counties who were selected by a jury. The sellers must make their own products, and the group vetting them seeks to line up a broad selection of jewelry, home goods, ceramics, décor, artwork,

edible delights, soaps, candles, wreaths, plants and other high-quality gifts. For more information, contact communityactivities@ci.carmel.ca.us or call (831) 620-2020. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth.

Snacks available

Across the street at the Carmel Woman's Club, the annual artisan event will take place during the same hours and will feature pumpkins decorated with succulents, vintage holiday décor, artwork, crafts, stocking stuffers, lavender, handmade items and other gifts. To ensure no one is peckish, Toasted Artisan Grilled Cheese will have a pop-up there, too. For more information, visit carmelwomansclubca.org.

A block away at All Saints' Episco-

pal Church, which spans Ninth between Dolores and Lincoln, will hold its Fine Arts & Crafts Fair + Hot Lunch in Seacombe Hall, also from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, contact artsandcraft@allsaintscarmel.org.

And one block away from there, at Lin-

coln and Seventh, Church of the Wayfarer will offer its Annual Holiday Faire, Crafts & Lunch in the garden and elsewhere on its picturesque grounds, with collectibles, jewelry and baked goods, among other items. For more information, call (831) 624-3550.

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File No. 20231906
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
Sea View Ranch, 73275 Highway One, Big Sur, CA 93920
County of MONTEREY
Registrant(s):
Kathryn Nicole Robinson Asarch, 8420 West Sunset Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90069
This business is conducted by an Individual
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
S/ Kathryn Nicole Robinson Asarch, this statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 10/17/2023.
11/3, 11/10, 11/17, 11/24/23
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PUBLIC AUCTION

Notice is hereby given that Pursuant to the California Self-Service Storage Facility Act, (B&P Code 21700 et. Seq.), the undersigned will sell at public auction; personal property including but not limited to furniture, clothing, tools, and /or other misc. items.
Auction to be held at 12:00 pm on November 17, 2023
at: www.selfstorageauction.com
The property is stored at:
Coastal Storage,
575 California Ave.
Sand City, CA 93955
Name of Tenants
Raen Murphy
11/3, 11/10/23
CNS-3754057#
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Publication Dates: Nov. 3, 10, 2023. (PC 1112)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231994
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **TREVINO'S AUTO BODY, 218 Boronda Rd. #A4, Salinas, CA 93907.**
Registered Owner(s):
LUIS BERNARDO TREVINO ATLAGCO, 45260 Merritt St., King City, CA 93930.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 1, 2023.
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S/Luis Bernardo Trevino Atlagco
Date signed: Nov. 1, 2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 1, 2023.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: Nov. 10, 17, 24; Dec. 1, 2023 (PC 1114)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231820
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MOMMY DAYCARE, 224 Park St., Soledad, CA 93960.**
County of Principal Place of Business: Sacramento
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.:
ALONZO ENTERPRISE LLC, 224 Park St., Soledad, CA 93960.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 9, 2023.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). *I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).*
S/Lucina Alonzo, Managing Member
Date: Oct. 5, 2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 5, 2023.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk,

except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: Nov. 10, 17, 24; Dec. 1, 2023. (PC 1115)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20232012
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **DONNA SHARP, PERSONAL IMAGE CONSULTANT, 1076 Indian Village Road, Pebble Beach, CA 93953.**
Registered Owner(s):
DONNA ANN HANSEN-SHARP, 1076 Indian Village Road, Pebble Beach, CA 93953.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/Donna Hansen-Sharp
Date signed: Nov. 6, 2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 6, 2023.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: Nov. 10, 17, 24; Dec. 1, 2023 (PC 1116)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20232014
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MONTY ROYAL, PERFUME, 372 Bergin Drive #A, Monterey, CA 93940.**
Registered Owner(s):
RUGAYYA MOHAMMADFADDEL ALK-ATATBEH, 372 Bergin Drive #A, Monterey, CA 93940.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/Rugayya Alkatbeh
Date signed: Nov. 6, 2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 6, 2023.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: Nov. 10, 17, 24; Dec. 1, 2023 (PC 1117)

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Publication Dates: Nov. 10, 17, 24; Dec. 1, 2023 (PC 1117)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20232037
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **TRAVEL WITH ROSEANNE, 250 Forest Ridge Rd., Unit 27, Monterey, CA 93940.**
Registered Owner(s):
ROSEANNE RUCCELLO, 250 Forest Ridge Rd., Unit 27, Monterey, CA 93940.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 8, 2023.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/Roseanne Rucello
Date signed: Nov. 8, 2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 8, 2023.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: Nov. 17, 24; Dec. 1, 8, 2023 (PC 1120)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20232008
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **LUXURY CONCIERGE GLOBAL, 3622 Eastfield Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.**
Registered Owner(s):
SUNDAY P. SPENCER, 3622 Eastfield Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Oct. 20, 2023.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/Sunday Spencer
Date signed: ____ 2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 3, 2023.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: Nov. 17, 24; Dec. 1, 8, 2023 (PC 1121)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20232042
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **STANDISH CO, 1354 Noche Buena Street, Seaside, CA 93955.**
Registered Owner(s):

RODERICK ALLEN STANDISH JR., 1354 Noche Buena Street, Seaside, CA 93955.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 6, 1992.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/Roderick Standish
Date signed: Nov. 8, 2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 8, 2023.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: Nov. 17, 24; Dec. 1, 8, 2023 (PC 1122)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20232039
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MANDO SURF CO., 1 SE Dolores @ 4th Ave., Carmel-by-the-Sea, Carmel, California 93921.**
Mailing address: P.O. Box 2747, Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921.
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.:
SADIE SURFS LLC, 1 SE Dolores @ 4th Ave., Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 2023.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). *I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).*
S/Amanda E. Levelt, President
Date: Nov. 8, 2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 8, 2023.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: Nov. 17, 24; Dec. 1, 8, 2023. (PC 1123)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20232003
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
Hold my carrot, 2706 San Juan Rd., Aromas, CA 95004, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s):
Parlinx LLC, 2064 Seascapes Blvd Aptos, CA 95003; California
This business is conducted by a limited

liability company
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 04/22/2023
S/ Julie Wood, Managing Member
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 11/02/2023
11/17, 11/24, 12/1, 12/8/23
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Publication Dates: Nov. 17, 24; Dec. 1, 8, 2023. (PC 1124)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20231969
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **A1 BACKFLOW TESTING & REPAIR SERVICES, 240 Montclair Ln., Salinas, CA 93906.**
Registered Owner(s):
ANDREW WAYNE MILLINGTON, 240 Montclair Ln., Salinas, CA 93906.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 2013.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/Andrew Millington
Date signed: Oct. 26, 2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 26, 2023.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
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Publication Dates: Nov. 17, 24; Dec. 1, 8, 2023 (PC 1125)

Publication Dates: Nov. 17, 24; Dec. 1, 8, 2023 (PC 1125)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20232074
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **STRUXURE OUTDOOR OF THE CENTRAL COAST, 19033 Beatrice Drive, Salinas, CA 93907.**
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.:
KETTLE CONSTRUCTION INC., 19033 Beatrice Drive, Salinas, CA 93907.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a corporation.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 25, 2019.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). *I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).*
S/Kimberly Kettle, CFO
Date: Nov. 14, 2023
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 14, 2023.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: Nov. 17, 24; Dec. 1, 8, 2023. (PC 1127)



CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA NOTICE OF UNSCHEDULED VACANCY

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC. In accordance with the requirements of Government Code 54974, the following special vacancy notice was posted at Carmel-by-the Sea City Hall located at Monte Verde Street, Harrison Memorial Library, located on the NE corner of Ocean Avenue and Lincoln Street, and the Carmel-by-the-Sea Post Office, 5th Avenue between Dolores and San Carlos Street, and on the City's webpage at <http://www.ci.carmel.ca.us>.

The City of Carmel-by-the-Sea is soliciting applications to fill one (1) open seat on the Forest and Beach Commission (1 unscheduled vacancy, term expiring 5/30/2025):

FOREST & BEACH COMMISSION:

The Forest and Beach Commission consists of five members. A two-thirds majority of the Commission shall be residents of the City, and the remainder may be residents of the City's Sphere of Influence. **Due to the current make-up of this Board, the applicant may reside in the City or the City's Sphere of Influence.** Applicants should have an interest in, or familiarity with, the City's parks and open space. The Commission meets on the second Thursday of each month at 3:30 p.m., in the City Hall Council Chamber (Tour of Inspection usually occurs before, at 2:30 p.m.).

Applications can be found on the City's website at <https://ci.carmel.ca.us/boards-commissions> or may be requested by contacting the City Clerk at cityclerk@ci.carmel.ca.us or by calling 831-620-2016.

Applications will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 6, 2023. Applicants will be interviewed by the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem on December 11th and make recommendations to the City Council. The City Council is expected to ratify appointments on Tuesday, January 9, 2024.

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NOVA ROMERO
City Clerk
City of Carmel-by-the-Sea

Publication dates: Nov. 17, 2023 (PC 1126)

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1121 Presidio Blvd, PG	\$1,050,000	515 10th St, PG	\$979,000	1207 Presidio Blvd, PG	\$1,178,000	1107 Presidio Blvd, PG	\$1,050,000
698 Dickman Ave, MON	\$913,500	1221 Roosevelt St, MON	\$855,000	313 14th St, PG	\$980,000	519 7th St, PG	\$915,000
1232 Vallejo St, SEA	\$839,000	700 Briggs, #83 PG	\$710,000	219 Locust St, PG	\$795,000	3231 Vista Del Camino MA	\$760,000
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Joanne and John McLaughlin to Banu and Philip Searle
APN: 009-412-025

Carmel Highlands

206 Upper Walden Road — \$3,105,000

Thomas, Margot, David and Irma Nunes to Juergen and Jennifer Knierieme
APN: 241-271-011



25981 Ridgewood Road, Carmel — \$2,525,000

Carmel Valley

26135 Zdan Road — \$299,000

Anthony Chao and Jinlu Zhang to BG International LLC
APN: 416-071-005

38 Hacienda Carmel — \$625,000

Cynthia Davis and Patricia Neil Trust to Alison James and James Smith
APN: 015-334-009

26345 Jeanette Road — \$1,360,000

Kenneth and Milena Jackson to Robert Eberle
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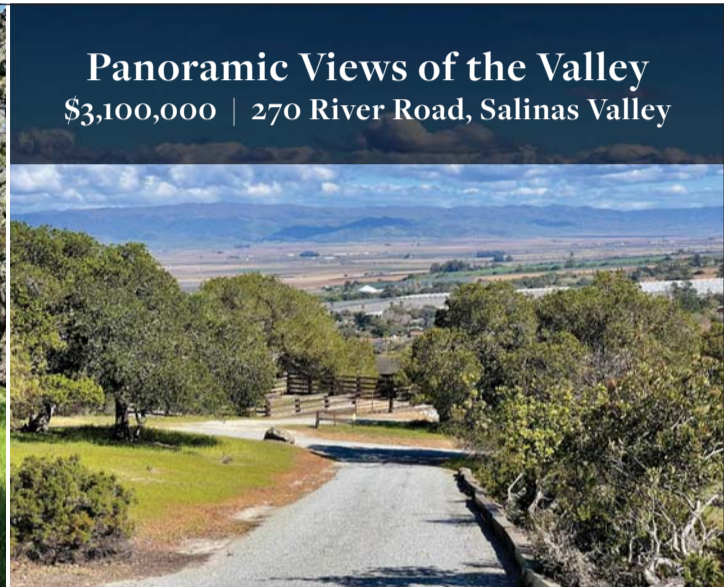
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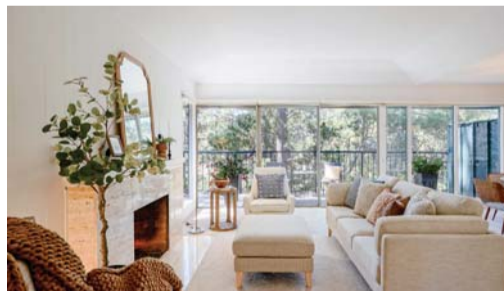
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A Tin Man, a Scarecrow and a Cowardly Lion walk into a nursery ...

EACH YEAR from 1959 to 1991, the showing of “The Wizard of Oz” was a tradition on American network television. Those years correspond to the time when my children, born between 1960 and 1974, were somewhere over the rainbow with Dorothy and Toto, too. The annual showing of the movie became “must-see TV” at our house, as it did in millions of homes across the country.

My firstborn even joined in the annual family viewing well into her teen years. Pop popped the best popcorn, slathered with butter and served family-style in a huge Tupperware bowl.

Of the 32 years that the movie was a network television special (it wasn’t shown in 1963), I’m sure we were gathered around the small screen for almost 20 of them.

This family movie can be terrifying at times, with the green-faced Wicked Witch of the West relentlessly bearing down on Dorothy and her three companions. Yet because it was a time when home was the center of the universe

for our kids, they felt protected from wicked witches and flying monkeys. Home was the place where scary black-and-white dreams were sent packing by the safety, security and living color of the family circle.

Rich in symbolism and themes, the Oz story provides ample material for psychological interpretation. My per-

sonal analysis wouldn’t make it into a psych book, but it fits me like a pair of ruby slippers. Dorothy symbolizes the challenges children face as they grow and develop. My focus is on her traveling companions, the Cowardly Lion, the Scarecrow and the Tin Man, a composite of me trying

to contend with the challenges and concerns of navigating the yellow brick road of marriage and fatherhood. At various times in my life I have been all three, occasionally all of them at once.

Those early years of my journey down the yellow brick road were profoundly life-altering. So many unforeseeable challenges tested my ability to adapt. Children show up and you’re not ready. Especially the first one. Wow! Here’s this wonderful little person. Now what?

Scenic Views

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Diaper service

I was not prepared for my first experience changing a messy diaper. You mean this one little kid did that? The crib pad looked like the canvas for a fetid Jackson Pollock. There were no such things as disposable diapers. Thank goodness my sister-in-law gave us three months of diaper service. I was thinking of asking the Stork to take the baby back and return her when she was potty-trained.

Then there was sleep deprivation. I can’t count the mornings I poured baby formula into my coffee and stirred it with a baby thermometer. Once at work, I reached for a handkerchief and pulled out a burp cloth. “It’s the newest fashion trend,” I explained.

So there I was, a Scarecrow trying to cope with the most fundamental aspects of decision-making and wondering if I had the brains to see this husband and father thing through to the “death do us part,” part.

I was the Cowardly Lion, too, wondering where I was going to find the courage to guide the family entrusted to me through all the perils involved. Here are a few Dadisms I remember uttering:

“Should you call the pediatrician when the kid’s temp is 99.8 degrees?”

“Is that the same bone you broke last year?”

“How much for a snowsuit?? We’re going sledding, not climbing Mount Everest.”

“That’s not a bill for tuition, it’s a ransom note.”

The Tin Man needed a heart. A father needs a heart big enough to acknowledge his role in the family and to munge with loving kindness, all the expectations placed on him.

Fire of doubt

During the early years of fatherhood my head was often filled with straw. Oh, I had good days, but I wasn’t always sure I had the backbone to see things through. Doubt was like a threatening fire.

You can read books, seek advice, see what others are doing, but one day you wake up and realize that, as the good witch told Dorothy, “You’ve always had the power my dear, you just had to learn it for yourself.”

My wife and I must have done something right on that yellow brick road. I know I have a heart because it swells with pride when I see what great adults our children have become. As the years have passed, I can use the Tin Man’s oil can to soothe the stiff joints under the spell of the wicked witch of ageing. More often than not my brain is working, although that’s open to debate among people who know me. As for courage, I can cope with most of life’s tribulations, except for hangnails and paper cuts. I’ve learned that there’s really no place like home, and the dreams that you dare to dream really do come true.

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POLICE LOG

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

Big Sur: Person on Highway 1 called about a male trespassing.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to an animal call for service.

Big Sur: A 66-year-old Highway 1 resident was arrested for probation violation and an unlawful weapons charge.

Carmel Valley: A violation of a civil restraining order was reported at Mid Valley Center involving an 80-year-old male suspect and a 38-year-old female victim.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report taken for a found portable speaker at Scenic and Eighth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Missing person report at Casanova and Ocean. The missing person was located safe. Case closed.

Pacific Grove: Two victims on 17 Mile Drive were defrauded by unknown subjects claiming to be roofers.

Pacific Grove: Subject was reported missing and was located later in the day.

Big Sur: Indecent exposure was reported on Highway 1.

Carmel Valley: A welfare check was requested on an elderly male at Del Mesa Carmel. Report was forwarded to Adult Protective Services.

Carmel Valley: A 19-year-old male Carmel Knolls Drive resident reported fraud via an online bitcoin trading program.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 55-year-old female Mill Valley resident was arrested at Seventh and Dolores at 0023 hours for DUI and was released on a citation to appear in court.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report taken for a found wallet at Carmel Beach.

Pacific Grove: At about 2213 hours, officers were dispatched to a Country Club Gate business that reported their business had been broken into earlier in the day. No items are believed to have been taken.

Pacific Grove: Officers received a Flock camera notifi-

cation about a stolen vehicle in the area of Forest and David. The vehicle was later located and stopped in the area of Highway 1 and Del Monte in the City of Monterey. Through the investigation, it was determined the driver of the vehicle was in fact the owner and didn't report he had recovered the vehicle. The driver and the vehicle were released at the scene.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle on Caledonia Street marked for 72-hour parking.

Pacific Grove: Officers were dispatched to a family disturbance on Laurel. One of the involved parties had an active misdemeanor warrant for failure to appear in court. The 31-year-old male was issued a notice to appear and released without incident.

Carmel area: Deputies responded to a report of a family argument on Meadow Road between a 17-year-old female and a 43-year-old female.

Carmel area: Property owner on Viejo Road brandished a knife at PG&E tree workers.

Carmel Valley: A welfare check was requested on an East Carmel Valley Road resident.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officer conducted a traffic stop on a silver Toyota Tacoma at Mission and Third for registration expired as of February 2023. The driver was identified as a 38-year-old male from Salinas and found to have an outstanding arrest warrant for obstruction. San Luis Obispo Superior Court issued the warrant. He was issued a citation for expired registration and a citation to appear for his arrest warrant in San Luis Obispo and was released.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female at Vizcaino and Eighth stated she felt she was being stalked by a prior gardener. She saw him around the area of downtown Carmel and in the residential areas. No proof of stalking or criminal intent was found.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Embezzlement and various other financial crimes from a local business and restaurant on Dolores south of Fifth.

Pacific Grove: Report of a fall on city property on Pine.

Pacific Grove: Resident reported fraudulent online activity associated with a bank account. No suspect information.

Pacific Grove: Grand theft on Wood Street.

Pacific Grove: Medical emergency on Lighthouse Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Adult Protective Services reports about possible elder abuse/assault on Central Avenue.

Carmel Valley: A report was documented for a 61-year-old male Schulte Road resident regarding fraud that occurred in another jurisdiction.

Big Sur: Domestic violence occurred at a Highway 1 residence after the mother brought her 4-year-old child to a restrained party's home. Both mother and child were the protected parties, a 28-year-old female and a 37-year-old male, in a served criminal protective order. Charges requested against both parents in this case.

Pebble Beach: Male trespassing at private property on Palmero Way.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Backpack left at a business at Ocean and Lincoln was placed into safekeeping pending contact with owners.

Carmel area: Adult Protective Services report about possible mental abuse at a Carmel Knolls Drive residence and possible neglect at a residence on 14th Avenue.

Carmel Valley: Schulte Road resident wanted to document a domestic violence incident.

Carmel Valley: Adult Protective Services report about possible elder financial abuse at a residence on Carmel Valley Road.

Carmel area: Deputies investigated a battery between a stepson (27) and stepdad (69) on Outlook.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Sewage leak from a restaurant at Ocean and Lincoln.

Pacific Grove: Traffic stop resulted in a 27-year-old fe-

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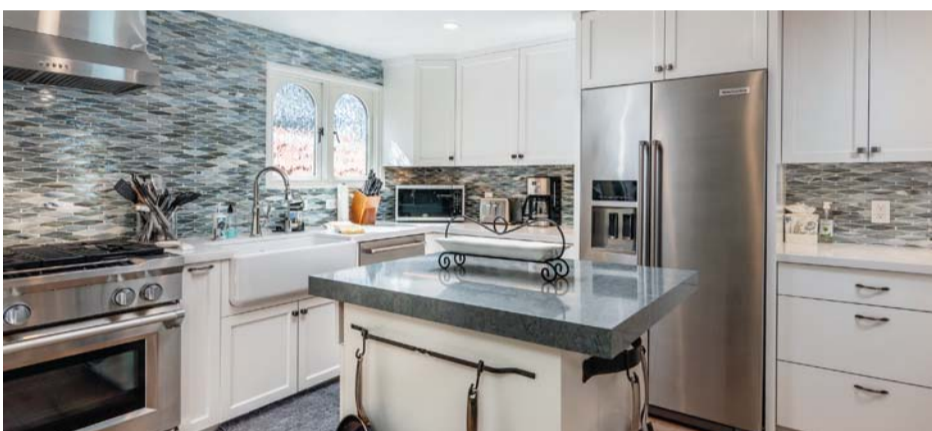


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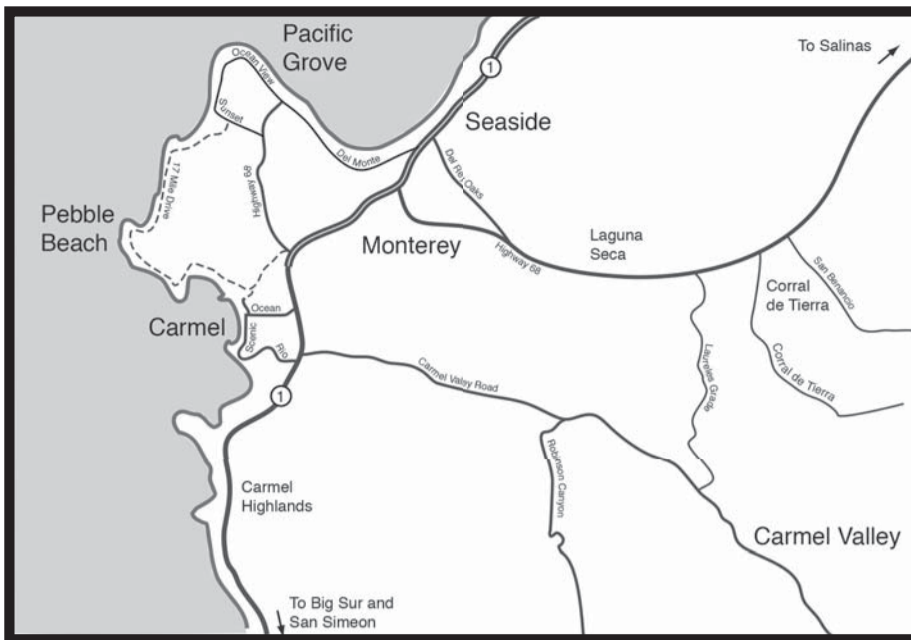
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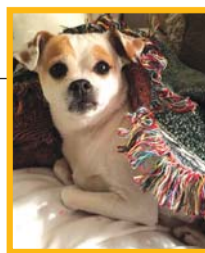
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male driver being cited and released for a misdemeanor warrant at Congress and Junipero for failure to appear.

Pacific Grove: AirPods were turned in to the police department that were found on

Eardley and Ocean View. No owner information is known, so the item will be held for safekeeping.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Trespassing warning at Ocean and Dolores.

Pacific Grove: A female was on an early morning walk on Congress when she was bitten by a leashed dog.

Pacific Grove: Officers were dispatched to a report of theft of a bicycle on 19th Street

with no suspect information.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Adult male, age 39, was cited at Junipero and Ocean at 0818 hours for possession of drug paraphernalia and probation violation.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Counter report of harassing/threatening phone calls regarding a

civil matter. Information only.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Dog located at Carpenter and Ocean and returned to owner.

Pebble Beach: A 61-year-old male who drove through the Pebble Beach gate without paying was cited for trespassing and obstruction.

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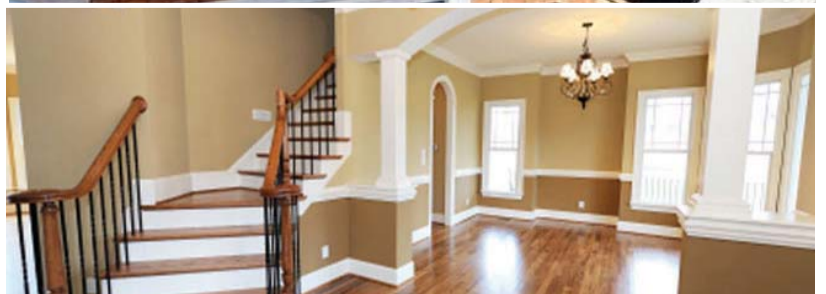
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LOG

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Runaway juvenile reported from San Carlos and 12th. Juvenile located, admonished and released to parents.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Civil matter and trespass advisement at Dolores and 13th.

Pacific Grove: A known wanted subject was located at Ocean View Boulevard. The 45-year-old male was issued a notice to appear and was released without incident.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle on Jewell was marked for 72-hour parking.

Pacific Grove: Report of an abandoned vehicle on Crocker.

Carmel area: Past-tense verbal domestic violence on Valenzuela Road was documented.

Carmel area: Subject was deceased in his home on Oliver Road.

Carmel Valley: Subject on Valley Greens Circle surrendered firearm to be destroyed.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 30

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Received an Adult Protective Services referral regarding an ongoing dispute over an elderly person on Dolores Street. Person claims the elderly man is being mistreated by a couple and not allowing her to visit. Officer met with the alleged abuser, who is the niece of the patient. Niece told the officer she and her husband have power of attorney and health directive. Patient was currently at Carmel Hills Care

Center. Unfounded.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Monterey County Animal Services contacted the department requesting assistance with information of a dog incident at Monte Verde and 15th. The dog owner was contacted, and information was forwarded to the county.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of suspicious circumstances inside a vacant house on Scenic Road. It appeared as if a bed had been slept in, and a damp towel and robe were found in the laundry room. No sign of forced entry, and nothing was missing. The homeowner could not recall when he was last in the residence prior to this discovery.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle on Gibson was marked for 72-hour parking.

Pacific Grove: A 46-year-old male was contacted on Lighthouse and found to have an active misdemeanor warrant for failure to appear in court. Subject was issued a notice to appear and released without incident.

Pacific Grove: Report of a theft or burglary on Sunset Drive.

Pacific Grove: Report of ATM card theft on Sunset Drive.

Pacific Grove: Report of a dog at large on Forest Avenue.

HALLOWEEN

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Suspended driver cited at Junipero and Sixth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report taken for a lost driver's license.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: AirPods found at San Carlos and Ocean.

Pacific Grove: Theft of gift cards on Forest Avenue.

Carmel area: Welfare check on an el-

derly person on Rio Road having issues with dementia.

Carmel Valley: Adult Protective Services reports of alleged physical abuse on Paso Mediano and possible financial abuse on Yankee Point Drive.

Pacific Grove: Informational report on Second Street. Mental health service referral.

Carmel area: Female juvenile was placed on a 5585.50 W&I hold [danger to self or others due to a mental health disorder].

Carmel area: Handley Drive resident reported being in a domestic disturbance. Parties had both been drinking and were not getting along. They were counseled and both agreed to remain separated and civil.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

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

Pacific Grove: Vehicle was towed from Lighthouse Avenue for expired registration.

Pacific Grove: Municipal code complaint of multiple dogs residing in a single home on Cypress Avenue.

Carmel area: Law enforcement took report about a male juvenile bitten by a dog on Ocean View Avenue.

Carmel area: Resident reported the theft of a wallet while at the Crossroads shopping center area.

Carmel area: Resident found deceased at home on South Carmel Hills Drive.

Carmel Valley: Adult Protective Services reported possible neglect at a Carmel Valley Road residence.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle towed from

Sixth and Mission per section 22651(n) VC, temporary tow-away zone. Vehicle was later released to the owner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fall on city property at Dolores and Fifth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: APS report regarding a resident at Dolores and 13th.

Carmel area: A 40-year-old male was arrested on Aguajito Road for violating a restraining order.

Carmel Valley: Two subjects, a 32-year-old male and a 26-year-old male, were found trespassing and stealing timber from a residence on Carmel Valley Road.

Carmel Valley: Coroner's investigation on El Caminito.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Outside agency courtesy report for a stolen license plate on Figueroa Street.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A lost/stolen license plate was turned in.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subjects reported losing wallet while visiting Carmel Beach and in the business district.

Pacific Grove: Officers responded to violation of restraining order in progress at a 17th Street residence. It was determined there is no current order in place. Report taken for information.

Carmel area: Subject on Carmel Rancho Boulevard reported a battery and trespassing.

Pacific Grove: At about 1938 hours, a male requested assistance regarding a custodial exchange of his children. Officers facilitated the exchange of custody of the children.

Pacific Grove: Abandoned vehicle reported on Jewell but was later moved.

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