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P.B. short-term rental case headed to Appeals Court

By KELLY NIX

THE PEBBLE Beach residents who sued Monterey County last January, challenging the county's rules prohibiting them from using their oceanfront home for short-term rentals and weddings, may have lost their case in Monterey County Superior Court, but Judge Thomas Wills' decision was so critical of the county, the Lewises are probably optimistic that their appeal to the California 6th District will prevail.

Wills ruled in September, and the appeal was filed this week.

William and Duncan Lewis brought suit against the county following the county's determination — after an administrative hearing on the matter — that they had violated county ordinances by renting out their multi-million dollar house on a short-term basis. The county fined the couple \$100,000.

The Lewises asked Wills to overturn the decision and the fines, and to declare that the county's short-term rental rules in their neighborhood were invalid.

But in an eight-page decision filed Sept. 7, Wills said the county's ordinances regulating such rentals are valid, and he upheld the earlier administrative hearing officer's determination that the Lewises had violated the ordinances. He also said the Lewises "are not

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\$107,000 price tag for centennial events

By MARY SCHLEY

THIS YEAR'S centennial celebration, which culminated with an elaborate parade, lunch and street dance on Oct. 29, cost taxpayers \$107,808.78, as of mid-December, according to city records. Revenues for the various events and programs were \$105,662.69, while expenses were \$213,471.47. The city councils that approved the 2015/2016 and 2016/2017 budgets autho-

rized a total of \$100,472, about \$7,000 short.

The parade alone cost \$97,596, while donations to offset the expenses — principally, money contributed by the sponsors of the professionally built floats — totaled \$51,350. Carmel Rotary contributed \$15,000, Carmel Realty and the Price Family Philanthropic Fund each contributed \$10,000, Carmel Plaza gave \$8,000, and several others donated smaller amounts.

Other revenues came from beer and wine sales at the street dance (\$1,928) and a \$300 reimbursement for the wine glasses at that event. Merchandise sales so far total a little over \$37,000.

Signs, banners and stickers

The breakdown of expenses spans from Oct. 29, 2015, to Dec. 19, 2016, and includes payouts for everything from graphic design, signs, banners, advertising, stickers and pins, to catering, bleachers, shuttles, golf carts and photography.

Paige Johnson Design was paid \$11,779.75 for work on signs and banners, the centennial book, logos and other graphics, while Doug Thompson received \$500 for each of the 10 monthly columns the centennial committee ran in The Pine Cone.

Upbeat Productions was paid \$8,500 to help produce the parade, and the bleachers along the route cost \$7,489. Fiesta Parade Floats, the award-winning company that built the six floats, has received \$36,428.20 so far. Ziona Goren got \$1,500 for costume services for the parade walkers.

The Preserve charged \$9,195.67 to cater the lunch at Sunset Center, and The Money Band was paid \$1,500 to play at the street dance that evening.

Merchandise emblazoned with the centennial logo, including wine openers, coffee mugs, T-shirts, vests, dog bowls and other souvenirs, cost \$36,132.17, according to executive assistant Leslie Fenton, who handled much of the recordkeeping for the centennial costs and revenues. As of Dec. 2, total revenues from those items, as well as the ban-

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Visit with pig topped Christmas wish list

By KELLY NIX

THE PACIFIC Grove family that nearly six months ago was ordered to move their pet pig, Bruiser, after a neighbor complained about his smell spent Christmas with the animal, presenting him with some new toys and a stocking full of fresh fruit.

Lisa and Mark Hanes and their two children, who live on

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Bruiser, the famous pig who no longer lives in Pacific Grove, sleeps soundly under a cheetah blanket (which is not from a real cheetah).

Steelhead group: No more 'emergencies' at lagoon

By CHRIS COUNTS

HOPING TO end a practice that some say is an excuse to evade permit requirements, the Carmel River Steelhead Association is threatening to sue Monterey County and other agencies for repeatedly using emergency declarations to justify doing flood control work on the Carmel River Lagoon sandbar without enough oversight.

"We're sincerely motivated to solve this problem once and for all — for the benefit of the homes and the lagoon," Frank Emerson of the steelhead group told The Pine Cone. "We're encouraged by the progress we see being made by the county, and hopefully, we won't have to sue."

The nonprofit steelhead group made its threat in an Oct.

24 letter to the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, the United States Army Corps of Engineers, the National Marine Fisheries Service and others.

Nearly every winter, the Carmel River Lagoon fills up with water and threatens to flood nearby homes. In response, county officials declare an emergency just before they send in bulldozers to cut a channel in the lagoon's sandbar to lower the water level in the lagoon.

The work does prevent flooding, but the steelhead group said it also harms the environment.

'Highly predictable'

According to the letter, the county and other agencies have "improperly relied upon" an emergency consultation process in the Endangered Species Act, "because there is no true emergency circumstance."

"The flooding that happens at the Carmel River Lagoon is a highly predictable yearly event," reads the letter, which was written by William Parkin, an attorney representing the steelhead group. "The county's actions do not warrant reliance on an emergency consultation and any past, present, and future reliance on emergency consultation for mechanical breaching of the Carmel River Lagoon is unlawful."

Breached on its own

Last week, with little fanfare, the Carmel River quietly made its way to the ocean.

"The river breached the sandbar on its own," Monterey County spokesperson Maia Carroll reported. "It's been opening and closing since."

This year, the river has migrated to the south end of the sandbar, which should make Scenic Road residents feel safer. In past years, when the river has migrated to the north end of the sandbar, it has threatened Scenic Road, and even undermined the parking lot at Carmel River State Beach and damaged the restrooms there.

But Emerson contends the river is moving so far to the south because the beach has been altered from so many

Carmel Point diver dies despite rescue efforts

By MARY SCHLEY

A 33-YEAR-OLD San Jose man died late Tuesday morning after losing consciousness while swimming out for a dive near Carmel Point, according to Cal Fire Battalion Chief Nate Armstrong, while the friend who tried to help rescue him was unharmed.

Shortly after 11 a.m. Dec. 27, a passerby dialed 911 to report a diver about 20 yards offshore near Scenic Road and Stewart Way yelling for help, triggering an extensive scrambling of emergency resources, including a Cal Fire engine and rescue swimmer, Monterey Fire, Carmel P.D., Carmel Fire Ambulance, and sheriff's deputies. Cal Fire also sent its rescue boat from Whalers Cove in Point Lobos and a jet ski from Stillwater Cove in Pebble Beach.

"Our engine got to the scene and found a diver being swum into shore by a friend," Armstrong said. "Our swimmer

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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Bulldog by the bay

AFTER YEARS of watching scene-stealer Stella — real name, Brigitte — on the television show “Modern Family,” she decided, like much of the viewing audience, she needed a French bulldog.

An internet search identified “Bluehaven French Bulldogs” out of Utah, a breeder reputed for its high-quality pets. She put in an application, was accepted, paid a deposit, and waited a year and a half for a female pied puppy — one with two or more colors.

“It didn’t matter what colors she was, as long as she was pied,” her person said.

She passed the time by watching online videos of Bluehaven litters. One day she paid attention to the only pied puppy in the litter and thought, “I’d love to get that one.” Moments later, the offer came for that particular puppy, a red sable pied.

She couldn’t type fast enough to tell the breeder she would accept their offer.


During her long wait, she had read a Cesar Milan book on how to raise a puppy right. Milan suggested sending a baby blanket bearing her scent to the breeder, so the pup could get familiar with its new person. She slept with a blanket for three months, and then sent it to the breeder.

“At the San Jose Airport, the nanny who flew with her handed me this tiny puppy. She raised her little head, sniffed me, and started wiggling and licking me,” her person said. “Seven months later, she still sleeps with that blanket.”

After studying a list of popular dog names, she decided on Bailey for her baby dog. But she changed the spelling to Baylee to reflect that the puppy now lives near the Monterey Bay.

“Baylee’s still pretty young to go to the beach,” her person said. “But she splashes around in a little wading pool and loves the water, so she’ll probably like the beach. I think I’ll put a little lifejacket on her just to be safe.”





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Backcountry trail crews get to work, led by ‘steward’ and boosted by donors

By CHRIS COUNTS

WHILE MUCH of the Big Sur backcountry will be closed for months due to damage from the Soberanes Fire, crews at three sites in remote parts of Monterey County are busy fixing hiking trails.

Not only do the projects share the common goal of offering people recreational opportunities on public land, but they utilize the leadership and expertise of Trevor Willits, stewardship program coordinator for the nonprofit Ventana Wilderness Alliance.

Hiker makes gift

Along the Santa Lucia Trail — which leads to 5,857-foot Santa Lucia Peak, the highest point in Monterey County — a trail crew from the National Civilian Community Corps just wrapped up a five-week effort to make repairs.

“It’s really cool,” said Richard Popchak of the VWA. “The kids are doing civil service, and they get to save money for college.”

The teams stay together for 10 months and typically complete six or seven assignments in different parts of the country. “Next, they’re off to Great Falls, Mont, to help prepare tax returns for low-income people,” Popchak explained.

Funding for the Santa Lucia Trail project came from the VWA’s Ventana Trails Forever Fund, which received a big boost in October when member Jack Glendening donated \$94,000 in memory of Paul Danielson, a VWA member who died earlier this year. Eighty percent of Glendening’s donation will go into an endowment at the Community Foundation for Monterey County, while the rest will help pay for existing trail projects.

Just north of the southern Monterey County line — about 70 miles south of Carmel — a multi-year trail project funded by entrepreneur Sean Parker and his wife,

Alexandra, is underway. The work is being done by a professional trail crew from the American Conservation Experience.

“They’re restoring and maintaining the Cruickshank and Buckeye trails,” Popchak explained. “We’re getting good work done.”

The Parkers have contributed \$185,000 to the effort, Popchak added. The money is part of a \$2.5 million settlement the couple agreed to pay for violating state law when they were married at Ventana Campground in June 2013. Matching funds were contributed by the National Forest Foundation, whose funding comes public and private sources.

The Cruickshank and Buckeye trails are located near Salmon Creek, which offers easy public access to one of Monterey County’s biggest waterfalls. The trails are often overgrown, but when they’re in good shape, they provide access to the uncrowded Silver Peak Wilderness, which the Soberanes Fire didn’t burn and which is now open to the public.

REI aids effort

Another trail crew, also from the American Conservation Experience, is making repairs to a remote stretch of the Pine Ridge Trail. The work is funded in part by a \$20,000 grant from outdoor gear retailer REI. The National Forest Foundation also kicked in \$20,000.

The trail, which travels about 23 miles from China Camp on Chews Ridge to Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park, is by far the most popular backcountry hiking route in Monterey County. The work will not only improve hiking conditions the busy trail, but enable access to other less-traveled trails.

Offering local knowledge and expert advice, Willits has visited each of the three

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Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

Woman says people are talking about her

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.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Restaurant manager at San Carlos and Fourth reported a vintage sports flag was stolen from the men's restroom, approximately a month prior to the report. There were no witnesses, suspects or surveillance cameras. Case suspended.

Pacific Grove: Subject called police regarding road construction at Park and Laurel. Construction manager was contacted and informed police it would be several hours from the time of contact before construction would be completed for the night. Subject was contacted and advised of the situation. He expressed being frustrated with the construction and how it was disturbing his neighborhood. He was advised to contact city engineering regarding his complaint about the construction. Resident was provided with the main number for city hall.

Pacific Grove: A 26-year-old male, was

contacted during a traffic stop on Congress Avenue at 0200 hours. Subject was found to be on parole and in possession of heroin, paraphernalia, small bags, small denominations of cash, a scale, and a pay/owe sheet. Subject was booked and transported to county jail.

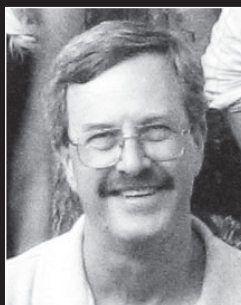
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle was pulled over at Carpenter and Second at 1525 hours in violation of multiple vehicle code sections, displaying the license plates incorrectly and having a window obstructed. The 44-year-old male driver, a Monterey resident who works in construction, was arrested for a \$10,000 warrant out of Salinas for driving on a suspended license. The driver was in possession of meth and drug paraphernalia. He was booked and released with a citation to appear.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Concerned citizen at Junipero and Fifth reported that a female has been following and taking photos of him. Female has also asked for his contact information at his place of employment.

Carmel area: Online report of burglary on Palo Colorado Road.

Carmel Valley: Resident on Via La Gitana reported the theft of a barbecue.

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The cloudy crystal ball: 1991 report envisioned city in its hundredth year

By MARY SCHLEY

‘**I**F THE changes which have occurred over the last 25 years continue for the next 25 years,” the members of a 1991 committee tasked with “dreaming” about Carmel-by-the-Sea in 2016 wrote in the preamble to their report, “Carmel tomorrow, with no dreams — either expressed or sought — may well emerge as a nightmare, instead.”

The 15 residents appointed by the city council in January 1991 to contemplate how the city might look when it celebrated its centennial delved into the numerous attributes they wanted preserved, along with “guiding visions” for the future. While many of the members have since died or moved away, several remain active in the community, including Friar Tucks owner Greg Cellitti,

Ann Hougham and Neal Kruse.

The characteristics that defined the town at the time, they wrote, included tall trees throughout the neighborhoods and downtown, “small houses nestled among the trees,” unique architectural designs, the lack of residential mail delivery, narrow streets, the Scenic Road pathway, strong support of the arts, the Forest Theater, the absence of sidewalks and street addresses in residential areas, no street lights or yard lights, no exterior commercial lighting, and no parking meters or traffic signals.

To protect Carmel from becoming a nightmare, they suggested the town fathers commit themselves to preserving and replacing upper-canopy trees, and to not allowing building coverage and height to exceed the limits set in 1991.

Corrections

IN LAST week’s edition, a quote from public relations man David Armanasco, in which he said that Project Bella developer Domaine Hospitality Partners is exempt from some Securities and Exchange Commission rules, had a word missing and did not accurately convey his opinion. The following is Armanasco’s complete statement:

“The issuer does not need to be registered as a broker/dealer,” Armanasco told The Pine Cone. “This is a private placement where Domaine is seeking investments for its own project.”

CHOMP, we had two errors in our story last week about the renaming of many facilities and programs operated by the hospital company.

The first error, according to the official, was that “the hospital has not been renamed. It is still Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula. The name Montage Health is part of its logo; Montage Health is the parent company.”

The second mistake was that, “The Montage Health insurance subsidiary is named Aspire Health Plan, not Aspire Healthcare or Aspire Health.”

The “intensity of commercial development” also shouldn’t be allowed to expand beyond what existed at that time, but the business community should have “unique stores serving both residents and visitors,” and should have “strengthened opportunities for resident-serving businesses, artists and artisans.”

Pedestrians should be “favored over cars,” with no commercial parking allowed in residential areas, and “traffic-calming” measures, like bump-outs and medians, should be installed in residential and commercial areas.

To support the arts, the city should provide places for artists and craftspeople to work and display their wares, and theaters should be preserved.

Since everyone has to go to the post office to fetch their mail, a Post Office Plaza should be built, “for expanded social opportunities.”

And finally, political control should be expanded to include the general plan’s sphere of influence, not just the area inside the 1-square-mile city limits.

While the post office plaza and freight station were never built, the bathrooms at the south end of Carmel Beach were finally completed in December 2014, after a decade of debate and design work, at a total cost of around \$1 million. The project has won awards.

In the longer term, they said, Sunset Center should be upgraded, utilities should be undergrounded, an arts and crafts center should be built, and Carmel Point should be annexed.

Annexing property to the city is a prohibitively time-consuming and expensive process that involves multiple layers of government, and tends to evoke strong feelings on the part of residents on both sides, and undergrounding power lines is also very costly, but the city did manage to upgrade Sunset Center. That project was finished in 2003 and cost nearly \$22 million.

There are trees

The report also described numerous “visions,” described as “slices of life from the year 2016, with 1991’s disturbing ‘trends’ having been reversed or slowed, and many of today’s problems resolved.”

Some of them were quite accurate: The city forestry department now requires property owners to plant upper-canopy trees, and many “truly characteristic Carmel houses” have been saved by historic preservation ordinances. Unamplified live music has been allowed for more than a decade in establish-

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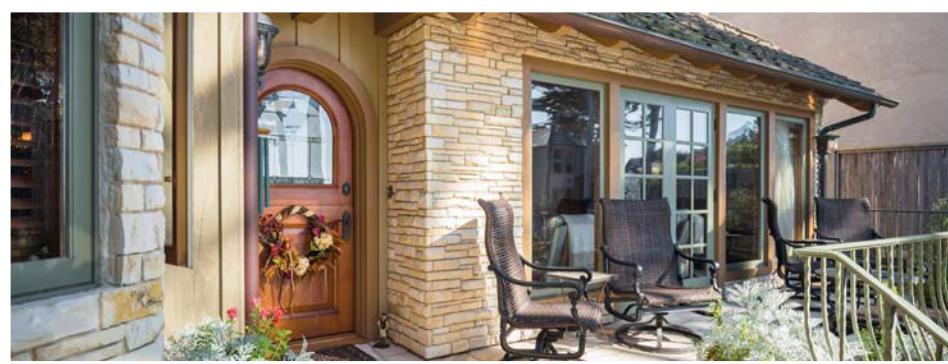
LULU IS MISSING

Our much loved medium gray tabby cat, Lulu, raced out the door on December 6th, and has not been spotted since.

Lulu is two years old, very furry, has four white paws, and talks a lot, all of which adds to the charm of her darling face. Lulu is chipped and was wearing a collar with a deep pink heart shaped tag.



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Grower sues former executive for sharing secrets

BY CHRIS COUNTS

THE COMPANY that owns Earthbound Farm is suing a former employee, claiming he shared business secrets with Tanimura and Antle after it hired him.

White Wave Foods, the parent company of Earthbound Farm, filed the lawsuit Dec. 23 against Jeff Jackson, who was hired last month by Tanimura and Antle to be its senior vice president of sales and marketing. Court papers identify Jackson as a Carmel resident.

According to the lawsuit, in 2015, White Wave Foods hired Jackson as Earthbound Farm’s vice president of agricultural supply and development. The job required him to move from Australia to California, and White Wave Foods paid for his moving expenses — under the condition he

repay the money if he was fired for cause within two years.

Jackson’s employment was ended July 22, 2016, because he “failed to discharge his duties in a satisfactory manner.” White Wave Foods contends Jackson “created division and personnel issues” at Earthbound Farm’s San Juan Bautista location, and “shared confidential business, sales and financial information with the company’s competitors in an apparent attempt to purchase Earthbound Farm.”

After Jackson was let go, White Wave gave him a six-month contract to be a consultant. The deal, the lawsuit contends, prohibited Jackson from sharing “trade secrets or confidential information.”

Tanimura and Antle is “a direct competitor” of Earthbound Farm, the suit argues, and Jackson’s employment with the Salinas-based company “cre-

ates a direct conflict of interest.” The lawsuit also claims he recruited an Earthbound Farm employee to join him at Tanimura and Antle, violating an employee non-solicitation agreement.

To settle the lawsuit, White Wave Foods is asking Jackson to pay back at least \$83,000 in compensation and at least \$168,000 in relocation expenses.

Founded 32 years ago by Drew and Myra Goodman on a 2.5-acre raspberry farm in Carmel Valley, Earthbound Farm played a key role in the rising popularity of organic produce. Its prepackaged salad greens are staples at restaurants and supermarkets across the country. The company was sold to White Wave Foods three years ago for \$600 million.

Jackson and Tanimura and Antle were offered an opportunity to comment, but didn’t respond.

Payroll company owner opens new business

■ But says he has no money to pay former workers

By KELLY NIX

THE FOUNDER of a shuttered Monterey payroll company under investigation by the FBI for allegedly failing to forward millions of dollars in client payrolls and taxes has opened a new office and business — despite not having yet made on good on his obligations, or even paying his former employees.

In early October, Pinnacle Workforce Solutions, owned by John and Colleen McEwan, closed for business for failing to fulfill clients’ payments and tax withholdings. Not long after that, authorities began investigating the business. Pinnacle’s clients include small businesses on the Monterey Peninsula.

But in a letter last week, John McEwan informed former Pinnacle clients that he’s opened a new office on Garden Road. “I have all your income tax records for all of the years we’ve

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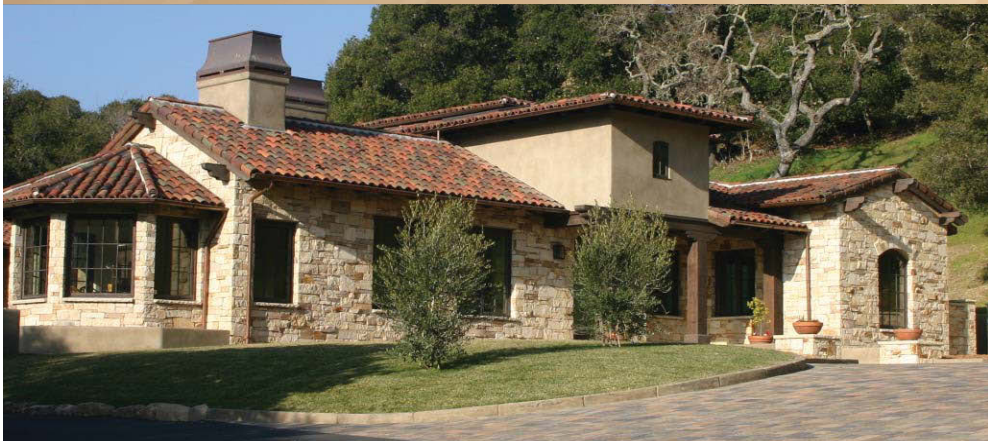


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Wife of Project Bella developer filed big bankruptcy in 2011

By KELLY NIX

THE WIFE of the developer seeking to transform the American Tin Cannery into a luxury hotel filed for bankruptcy five years ago, claiming minuscule assets, but liabilities of an astounding \$413 million — stemming mostly from real estate projects in which her husband was also involved.

In a September 2011 Chapter 7 bankruptcy filed with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California, Jill Athalie Meer, wife of developer Ron Meer, disclosed total assets of \$57,703, a combined average monthly income of \$2,725, and just \$600 in cash.

But Meer — who is listed as 49 percent owner of two companies to her husband’s 51 percent — claimed total liabilities of \$413,031,587.

“The 2011 filing was an individual filing by my wife, Jill Meer, not by me,” Meer, president of Domaine Hospitality Partners, told The Pine Cone Thursday. “I didn’t file bankruptcy in 2011, and I have been vigorously working out the contingent liabilities I had, and still have, over the last number of years.”

Meer went on to say that “despite the fact Mrs. Meer was a member in some of the entities” they owned collectively, he was the “managing member, and therefore the key contact of the creditors.” Meer said he chose to negotiate with the vendors rather than seek bankruptcy protection to shield himself or his companies from the creditor challenges.

Large liabilities explained

Jill Meer “for health reasons, opted out of the creditors’ focus, since she could not assist them anyway, and her filing did not affect the rights of the creditors,” according to a statement provided to The Pine Cone by Domaine Hospitality’s public relations rep, David Armanasco.

While the filing indicates \$413 million in total liabilities, Ron Meer and Domaine CFO Bruce Haniford explained that the bankruptcy “includes personal guarantees, potential claims, and if multiple entities are involved in potential liability, each entity will be listed for the full potential liability even though in reality the claim, guarantee or liability will only be paid once.”

The filing, for instance, repeats the same guarantee “three times for \$62 million, for a total of \$186 million” of the \$413 million in total liabilities, according to Meer.

Meer also said the 2006 nationwide economic downturn was to blame.

“Just prior to the financial meltdown, [our] assets were \$74,300,000 and liabilities of \$36,800,000, which would have left [us] in a positive cash position,” Meer said in the statement.

Many creditors

One of the factors that created “this disaster” for the Meers, he said, was a “free-falling market in real estate.”

Disclosure of the bankruptcy filing come weeks after Michael Crall and Grant Sedgwick resigned as officers of Domaine Hospitality Partners, LLC, citing “fundamental differences” over direction of the company. Since then, Crall has been critical of his former associates, telling the media he doesn’t believe the hotel will be built under their leadership. Crall also complained to a half-dozen regulatory agencies, claiming that Domaine violated rules regulating the offer and sales of securities.

As far as the modest income listed for him and his wife in

the bankruptcy filing, Meer explained it this way: “Income for a developer is not a relevant measure, because we work out of cash,” he said. “You don’t get these kind of loans unless you have a lot of money in the bank. Income is not a good measurement — we had lots of cash in the bank.”

He did not offer to reconcile that statement with the bankruptcy’s claim that Mrs. Meer had only \$57,000 in assets, most of it personal property such as furnishings, art, firearms, jewelry, sports and hobby equipment, and household goods.

Creditors listed in the bankruptcy include a Newport Beach realty company with a \$55 million “potential claim” for damages for construction defects on a development, American Express, which was owed \$46,000; a pest control company seeking \$10,000; a Costa Mesa architect’s claim for \$200,000; a boarding school with a claim for \$18,394; an

\$18 million claim for 24 acres of land in Ontario, California; and an Orange County interior decorator’s claim of \$350,000.

Points to successes

When asked whether the citizens of Pacific Grove could trust Meer to develop a major hotel on a high-profile property, Meer pointed to what he said were his previous successes, including a 140-unit housing development in Northern California. City voters this year passed a measure changing the zoning so a hotel could be built on the American Tin Cannery site.

The statement from Armanasco’s firm described Meer as a “successful entrepreneurial developer,” and said the 140-

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breaching operations. “There’s a sand deficit on south end of beach,” he explained.

Emerson said breaching will likely become unnecessary once the county completes two major flood control projects, the Scenic Road Protection Structure and Carmel Lagoon Ecosystem Protective Barrier. The former would protect Scenic Road near Carmel Point from erosion, while the latter would protect homes on the north side of the lagoon. Emerson is hopeful the two projects will solve the lagoon’s flooding problems, and the threat of a lawsuit will keep the projects moving forward.

Earlier this month, environmental impact reports for the two projects were made available on the Monterey County website.



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DIVER

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entered the water and retrieved the diver, to find that he was not breathing. Our paramedics began care for the patient, along with paramedics from Carmel Fire Ambulance.”

Medics immediately started CPR and continued their efforts to resuscitate the diver until they reached Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, where he was pronounced dead not long after arrival.

“We evaluated one other diver at the scene, and he was released without any injury,” Armstrong added.

Monterey County Sheriff’s Cmdr. John Thornburg said the diver’s name hadn’t been released, because next of kin had yet to be notified.

“The coroner has the case — no foul play, and not really sure why he died,” he said. “They had not actually had a dive yet; they were swimming out to the spot.”

Regardless of why the man died, Armstrong said the tragic

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unit housing development was “profitable” and made investors “several million dollars.”

“I would hope everyone would look past [the bankruptcy] and look at my previous track record,” Meer said. “From 1990 and 2007, I was involved in over 19 projects totaling over 4,100 housing units, which generated over \$470 million in revenues and \$100 million in profits.”

Meer and Armanasco are also quick to point out retired Gen. Wesley Clark’s involvement in Project Bella.

“The combination of both gentlemen’s experience and access to capital should provide confidence to the citizens of Pacific Grove that Project Bella continues to be on track, despite the outreach of a disgruntled member of the LLC,” according to the statement, referencing Crall.

Meer said he talks to Clark several times a day.

“He is actively involved in the project, and it’s not a figurehead relationship,” Meer said. “We are 50/50 partners.”

accident serves as a reminder of why anyone who chooses to enter the water needs to be aware of tides, size of swell, rip currents and other hazards.

“While we have some beautiful coastline, it oftentimes proves to be much more dangerous than it appears from

RENTALS

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allowed to engage in short-term rentals or commercial use of the property for weddings” without a county permit.

“The threshold issue is whether the county ordinances, in fact, prohibit the short-term rental of the property for vacation and wedding events in the coastal zone where the property in question is located,” Wills wrote. “Not a question simply answered, but the court has concluded that such activities are prohibited without a permit.”

The Lewises, for years, had rented out their six-bedroom, seven-bath house on 17 Mile Drive overlooking the 14th Tee of the Pebble Beach Golf Links until an “inland property owner on the other side of Highway 1,” according to the Lewises’ attorney, Mark O’Connor, complained to the county about the rental. The rental on the property known as “Woods Hole” went for \$1,550 per night. The Lewises live on the property in a separate house.

In his decision, however, Wills was also highly critical of the county, calling its complicated set of land use ordinances and regulations “a byzantine collection of less than clear, ad hoc provisions apparently drafted or adopted with little regard for the ordinance scheme’s internal consistency.”

In the same footnote, Wills also said the court had “expended inordinate judicial resources divining the county’s statutory intent,” and said the county’s rules are “unnecessarily close to the brink of requiring persons of ordinary intelligence necessarily to guess at its meaning.”

He also noted the ambiguity in the county’s ordinance, saying it implies “that there are some uses which may be allowed without the necessity of a permit, though it does not directly so state. Other sections do state that there are some uses for which no permit is required. They are not all readily

shore,” he said. Cal Fire has more than 15 rescue swimmers spread across its five Monterey Peninsula stations, as well as the Point Lobos rescue boat and the personal water craft at Stillwater Cove, “to ensure that we’re always sending everything that we can on these rescues.”

found.”

Ultimately, Wills determined that the county ordinances are valid and that the Lewises had violated the rules. The county considers short-term rentals those that span for fewer than 30 days.

“Once it is determined that transient rental here without a permit was proscribed, there is clearly evidence that there was a violation by [the Lewises] and that evidence is substantial, supporting the hearing officer’s decision,” Wills said.

In their lawsuit, the Lewises said they’d rented out the home on a short-term basis with the “knowledge and consent” of the county, which collected hundreds of thousands of dollars from them in occupancy taxes over the years.

They alleged that the county’s prohibition of transient rentals along the coast amounted to discrimination, since the county permits inland property owners in the unincorporated areas to rent out their homes on a short-term basis.

The Lewises also argued that, since short-term rentals weren’t explicitly prohibited, they were allowed, but Wills upheld the validity of a provision in the county code that makes all land uses in the Lewises neighborhood illegal unless they’re explicitly allowed — a catchall provision that may defy common sense, but which Wills said has been upheld by California courts.

In his decision, Wills also cited the 1991 landmark case, Ewing v. City of Carmel-by-the-Sea. In that case, Carmel resident John W. Ewing challenged the constitutionality of the town’s rules prohibiting short-term rentals for fewer than 30 consecutive days, claiming it violated his constitutional right to free association and unduly burdened his right to use his home. In a 1991 decision, justices with the 6th District Court of Appeal upheld the ban, ruling that prohibiting short-term rentals was a valid exercise of a town’s police power and did not violate a homeowner’s property rights.



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processed your tax returns, and will be preparing taxes in the upcoming season,” McEwan wrote. “It will just be myself in the beginning, and I am at a new address.”

However, news that McEwan has started another business has riled some former employees, who not only lost their jobs when Pinnacle unexpectedly shut its doors, but were also not paid for four days of work.

“I’m furious that [McEwan] is allowed to go on as business as usual,” said one former longtime employee, who did not want to be identified. “My problem is that he hasn’t paid his employees. He needs to pay his employees first.”

And the former worker said she and others were shocked when McEwan — perhaps inadvertently — sent them the same letter advertising his new tax business. “It’s the principle of it,” she said. “He hasn’t paid us, he hasn’t contacted anyone, and yet he is going on like nothing ever happened.”

Another former Pinnacle employee, who worked for the company for many years and is still owed a week of pay and compensation for two weeks of accrued vacation, told The Pine Cone she thinks it’s “ridiculous” McEwan’s running a new business.

“If he has the funds to rent an office and drive his Audis, he should be thinking about paying his employees,” said the employee, who also wanted to remain anonymous.

‘No money’

In a phone interview with The Pine Cone this week, McEwan said that while it doesn’t “sit right” if I “can’t pay staff,” there is simply “no money” to issue final paychecks to his former Pinnacle employees, which numbered about 25 in the Monterey and Texas offices.

“It’s not that we have all this money rolling around,” McEwan said Tuesday morning. “If I had the money today, I would pay my staff.”

In fact, McEwan said money is so tight that he’s taken up a part-time job of driving a car for the ride share company, Lyft, in addition to his tax business.





While McEwan said it is his “full intention” to pay his former workers, some of whom worked there for more than a decade, he didn’t know when that would be. One of the problems is that Pinnacle’s bank accounts are “frozen,” and “whatever money” is in there, he “can’t touch,” he said.

When The Pine Cone asked McEwan whether he would use some of the revenue from his tax business to pay his former workers he said, “I’m not going to commit to anything right now. Down the road, if we have dollars left to pay staff,

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PREDICTIONS

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allowed for more than a decade in establishments serving alcohol, and no new parking garages have been built. The land around the Fish Ranch and the old Odello artichoke fields has been preserved as open space, and Hatton Canyon is a greenbelt, not a freeway. The Forest Theater has been upgraded, "with great sensitivity shown toward the natural rustic setting and ambiance," as the report predicted.

But no recycling bins or bingo

Predicting the future is impossible, of course, and therefore, many of their visions were far from what is now reality in the city's hundredth year.

There is no Carmel Land Trust that acquires property throughout the city on behalf of the public, and no program offers "extended on-street parking for a daily fee."

Ocean Avenue and Junipero Street both still have four lanes, and no citywide 15 mph speed limit has been imposed.

The weekly bingo nights established in 1991 have since gone by the wayside, and no formal bridge or cribbage clubs have been formed, nor are there "social dancing and sports competitions ... held among the neighborhood groups." In fact, very few neighborhood groups exist.

The city has failed to preserve any of its movie theaters, let alone the two cinemas predicted in the report, and the Scout House has not "remained an attractive, cozy community meeting area." In fact, it has been closed since 2003, though renovation efforts spearheaded by Eagle Scout candidates may lead to its being used again in the future.

And, somewhat perplexingly, there are still no "attractive bins for street-generated recyclables located throughout the downtown area," despite heavy emphasis on efforts to divert most trash from landfills to recycling facilities.

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Wallet found in the area of Dolores and Eighth. Owner was contacted and will pick it up later.
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Suspicious activity reported on Lasuen south of Rio Road.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Items found at a bus stop at Junipero and Sixth, and brought into a local store.
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Citizen came into the station to report they lost a cell phone on Dec. 14.
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Police and public works responded to a report of cable lines in the roadway on Junipero south of Eighth. Upon arrival, it was discovered that the cable lines had fallen due to a tree falling over. A limb from a city tree also hit a wooden fence at a residence, causing minor damage.
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of subjects soliciting door to door in the area of Lobos and Second. Police contacted individuals and warned them of the muni code. One subject, a 23-year-old male resident of Stone Mountain, Ga., had an outstanding misdemeanor warrant. Subject was booked and released with a citation to appear.
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Adult female was contacted at her residence following her report of concerning noises coming from her neighbor’s residence. The female believed her neighbor may be in danger, because people from her old place of work were stalking her. The female admitted the instances of feeling stalked or watched may be her imagination, and she experienced fear and anxiety regularly. A behavioral health team member was on scene and provided information for resources available to her. The team member acquired the female’s information for future follow up.
Carmel-by-the-Sea: During high winds and rainy weather, a tree limb from a city tree fell on a parked vehicle at San Calros and Sixth, smashing the windshield.
Carmel-by-the-Sea: A front window at a business on Ocean west of Lincoln was smashed.
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Money found on Mountain View was turned in for safekeeping.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female reported hearing people talking about her and possibly threatening her. The threats were unfounded, and the resident believes people are trying to get her committed or arrested. Mobile crisis or mental health evaluation was offered, but the resident denied needing that kind of help. Resident was counseled but did not meet the criteria for a 72-hour hold. Information will be forwarded to mobile crisis for possible follow-up and further assistance.
Pacific Grove: Citizen was contacted during a vehicle check on Ocean View Boulevard at 0107 hours. An open container was found inside the vehicle. Citizen was issued a citation and released to mother.
Pacific Grove: A male walked into a business on Lighthouse Avenue and pretended to “shoot” customers with his fingers. Store owner requested that police trespass admonish the male not to return to the business. Officers made contact and trespass admonished the male. Officers informed the male he was not allowed back in the business for a year. Male said he understood.
Pacific Grove: Citizen came in and reported the theft of medication on Lighthouse Avenue.
Pacific Grove: Citizen involved in an argument with aunt. Aunt pushed the citizen, who left the area and called for ambulance because of an unrelated medical problem. Advised medics of physical altercation with aunt. No visible injury.
Carmel area: A 15-year-old male was caught with marijuana on a school campus on Ocean Avenue.
Carmel area: Citizen spotted a subject stealing a wallet from a car while the owner was visiting an ATM. Subject dropped the wallet and fled when confronted. Investigation continues.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of two dogs at large at Dolores and Second. Owner was located and cited for a municipal code violation. Dog owner was warned the day before for the same violation near the same location.
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a non-injury accident at Dolores and Eighth.
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Hit-and-run traffic collision on Ocean Avenue. Vehicle was drivable.

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Supes OK new contracts for Sea Otter Classic, Jacks Peak Park

By CHRIS COUNTS

BRUSHING ASIDE the concerns of a resident who said the Sea Otter Classic Sports Festival needs more environmental review, the Monterey County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously last week to approve a 15-year deal that will keep the event at Laguna Seca Recreation Area through 2031.
The gathering, which has been staged annually at Laguna Seca since 1991, is billed as “The World’s Premier Cycling Festival.” According to its website, it is attended yearly by more than 10,000 athletes and 70,000 spectators.
But a man who lives along Highway 68 suggested the event’s success is having an impact on surrounding neighborhoods.
“It’s on a scenic highway, and it’s going to have significant effects,” said resident Mike Weaver, who described himself as a bicycle enthusiast. “It’s growing, and it’s being encouraged to grow for the next 15 years.”
Weaver questioned why the item was on the consent agenda of a special meeting at the end of the year. He said the public hasn’t had enough time to study it. “Why the urgent need to put it on the consent calendar?” he asked. “At the minimum, this needs a public hearing.”
But county counsel Les Girard disagreed. “It’s been at Laguna Seca for many years

operating under an existing use permit,” said Gerard of the event. “This is a continuation of that event — it’s not an intensification of use. Nothing is proposed at this time. CEQA is pretty clear about providing an exemption.”
Moments later Supervisor Dave Potter made a motion, and the contract was approved by a 5-0 vote.
Weaver isn’t the first county resident to suggest holding existing events to higher environmental standards. Monterey County Planning Commissioner Martha Diehl raised the issue throughout the planning process for a dog-training facility she wanted to open in Carmel Valley.
Her project was rejected after numerous residents warned about its environmental impacts. But Diehl pointed out that other ongoing events located nearby attract far more people, thereby creating more significant environmental impacts.
The 27th annual Sea Otter Classic is scheduled for April 20-23.
On the same consent agenda, the supervisors approved a contract that would let the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District manage county-owned Jacks Peak Park. Besides managing the park, the park district plans to develop some camping facilities, make improvements, and ultimately, link the park’s trails to others in Carmel, Carmel Valley and Big Sur.

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A CARMEL Valley woman who devoted much of her professional life to studying the workings of the human mind concluded that there weren't enough words in the English language — or, probably, any other — to express the emotions that hide there.

So Patricia Qualls, a clinical psychologist, found a different outlet for many of her own deep-seated feelings — through expressive, abstract art. And some of her original, intimate, emotion-fueled paintings, to her own great surprise, have attracted national and international attention.

Qualls' work hangs at the Crocker Art Museum in Sacramento, and is also in personal collections in New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, San Francisco, Boston, Dallas, Vail, Sun Valley, Palm Desert ... even Switzerland.

She brings her creations to life in a bright, 1,400-square-foot studio/gallery in Carmel Valley Village, where they hang on walls that reach 15 feet above hardwood floors.

It's a sanctuary where she can laugh aloud, or weep openly, as she creates mostly large pieces — some dark and moody, others bright and splashy — witnessed only by Buddy, a friendly, yellow, neighborhood stray cat who comes and goes on his own schedule.

Patricia Qualls Contemporary, which opened in 2008, is a significant upgrade from the previous space in her garage, under a 40-watt bulb, next to the washer and dryer. It's also

nothing she imagined in her wildest dreams.

"I wasn't an artistic kid, but we didn't do anything like that in our family," said Qualls, 62, who grew up on a 240-acre farm in Middle Tennessee, 60 miles from Nashville and 15 from the nearest "town" (which, she says, mostly consisted of a co-op and a cracker barrel). "But when you live on a farm, you're always learning something new, and you're curious, you're having to repair things, and making do with what you've got."

est and Gestalt

She fled that solitude to become a stockbroker in Nashville, then followed a boyfriend to Carmel — a move that changed her life. In California in the 1980s, she discovered an openness she hadn't experienced in the Deep South.

"There was so much going on at the time with the personal-growth movement," she said. "I went on retreats. I did est (Erhard Seminars Training, a personal-growth education program), and I spent a lot of time at Esalen, including a month of Gestalt training.

"At 26 or 27, I started into long-term therapy for myself, and that changed my world," Qualls said. "I realized my life was built

around assumptions about everything. I recognized walls that were built around me for survival, versus the availability to see things in a different way. I think that's what therapy does,

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A clinical psychologist and painter who owns a gallery in Carmel Valley Village, Patricia Qualls uses art to express her own deep-seated feelings.

Holiday

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BRUISER

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Ransford Avenue, were forced to relocate Bruiser to Castroville after neighbor Ray Magsalay complained repeatedly that its poop made his backyard and house smell bad.

While the family visits the pig fairly regularly, their visit with him Christmas day was a special one, Mark Hanes said.

“We were able to visit with Bruiser and he enjoyed a stocking and gifts,” including a banana, kiwi and some blueberries, he told The Pine Cone.

Santa gave Bruiser a new dog bed and toy, and the Haneses, including their two children, spent some time with the animal, which they regard as a regular member of the family, like their dogs.

Bruiser now lives with friends, and the large parcel allows him plenty of room to run around and make pals with other animals, including three dogs and some ducks.

“It’s very clean and it’s a great situation, aside from the fact he’s not home with us,” Mark Hanes said

Big fine still pending

Magsalay’s complaints about Bruiser led to a city hearing in June that resulted in a ruling against the Haneses and an order compelling them to relocate the pig. The family, who believe the city has treated them unfairly, took the matter to Monterey County Superior Court. A judge in May is expected to consider whether Bruiser can return to his Pacific Grove home.

In September, when the Haneses kept Bruiser on their property after the deadline to remove the animal, the city sent them an invoice for nearly \$8,000. The costs included \$700 for the 14 days the Haneses were being charged \$50 per day for not removing the pig starting Aug. 23, and \$6,500 since Sept. 6, when the fines increased to \$500 per day.

Lisa Hanes said they haven’t paid the bill, nor has the city

mailed them a follow-up invoice.

“No city can just wake up one day and say ‘we can start charging you,’” she said. “That’s a totally made up fee schedule. They never brought it to the city council to get it approved, which they should of because they are charging Pacific Grove citizens.”

The city has also asked that the Haneses pay \$900 for the transcript of the administrative hearing.

The Pine Cone submitted questions to city manager Ben Harvey regarding the city’s fines, but Harvey and most other city hall employees are off work until Jan. 2.

COSTS

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ners and street signs which were carried in the parade, the event DVD, and the book, “A Village in the Pine Forest: Carmel-by-the-Sea 1916-2016,” were \$37,084.69, though she said money is still trickling in.

The parade banners made by Trucksis cost \$13,185.44, and the signs cost \$699.55, while Kevin Wing was paid \$10,633.36 for video production and 100 copies of the DVD. The 4,847 copies of the book cost \$5,285.06.

The tab for storing the merchandise from March through September was \$5,346.24. (Bills for the more recent months have yet to be logged.) PayPal received a monthly administrative fee of \$30, and Burghardt+Dore Advertising was paid \$4,185 to develop the e-commerce website and store.

Among the more random items on the expense list were the time capsule — which cost \$1,426.52 — and the \$545.21 rental fee for the Dennis the Menace costume used during the parade.

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ARTIST

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and it’s also what art does.”
She entered Pepperdine University as a businesswoman, and exited with an MBA and a goal to become a clinical psychologist. Pepperdine’s business school is also where she met Doug Adams, who became her best friend and, in 1995, her husband.

For Qualls, painting began as “spiritual practice” that enabled her to release the emotions of her new profession as a clinical psychologist.

“I’d wake up at 4 or 5 in the morning, open my garage door to the sunrise, and paint for a few minutes,” she said. “It started a 10- or 15-minute prayer or meditation, and, of course, it would go into 30 minutes, or an hour. I’d have to force myself to stop to go to work, or to drive our son to school.

“I never, ever thought about painting something to sell it. I was always painting for myself,” she said.

But within two years, people began buying her work — friends, at first, then friends of friends, then people she’d never met, and might never meet again. The only logical move, her husband determined, was to provide the artist with a studio.

“I think Doug was just tired of seeing my brushes in the sink,” she said with a laugh. “But his reaction, after I started painting, was ‘Wow! I’ve never seen you so joyful.’ It was just so helpful to have an outlet to release emotion — feelings that I really couldn’t talk about — by putting it on canvas.”

Qualls still considers her work so personal that she declines to sign her paintings on the front. Each is marked only with her initials on the back.

Over the past eight years, Qualls has married art and psychology by creating multi-day retreats that attract people from all over the United States — mostly non-artists — who stay at Bernardus Lodge and come to her studio to paint and “play.”

“The retreats are mostly about trying to get people to get out of their heads, helping them trust the process of creating, allowing creation to flow through them,” she said.

Her own regimen as an artist also is all about “play,” Qualls says, thanks in part to her husband, who implored her to never allow the creation of her art to feel like work.

“When I’m painting, I always feel like I’m in a safe place,” she said. “Nothing bad can happen while I’m painting. Nobody’s going to be hurt by something I say or do. I’m just playing with color and tool. It’s play. It’s the most free that I’ve ever been.”

Find examples of her work and more information at www.patriciaqualls.com.

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PUBLIC NOTICE			
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	Carmel-by-the-Sea City-Wide Consideration of recommendations to the City Council for an Ordinance amending Municipal Code Sections 17.08 and 17.10 in response to recently adopted State legislation pertaining to accessory dwelling units	DR 16-384 (Fountain) Eric Miller, Architect 8th Avenue 2 NW Junipero Street Block: 89; Lot: 26 APN: 010-087-020 Consideration of a Concept Design Review (DR 16-384) and associated Coastal Development Permit for the construction of a new multi-family (2-unit) building located on a vacant parcel in the Residential and Limited Commercial (RC) Zoning District	UP 16-451 (Little Napoli) Rich Pepe, Business Owner NE Cor. Dolores & 7th Block: 76; Lots: 20 & 22 APN: 010-146-007 Consideration of a Use Permit (UP 16-451) application to expand an existing restaurant (Little Napoli) into an adjacent commercial space located in the Central Commercial (CC) Zoning District
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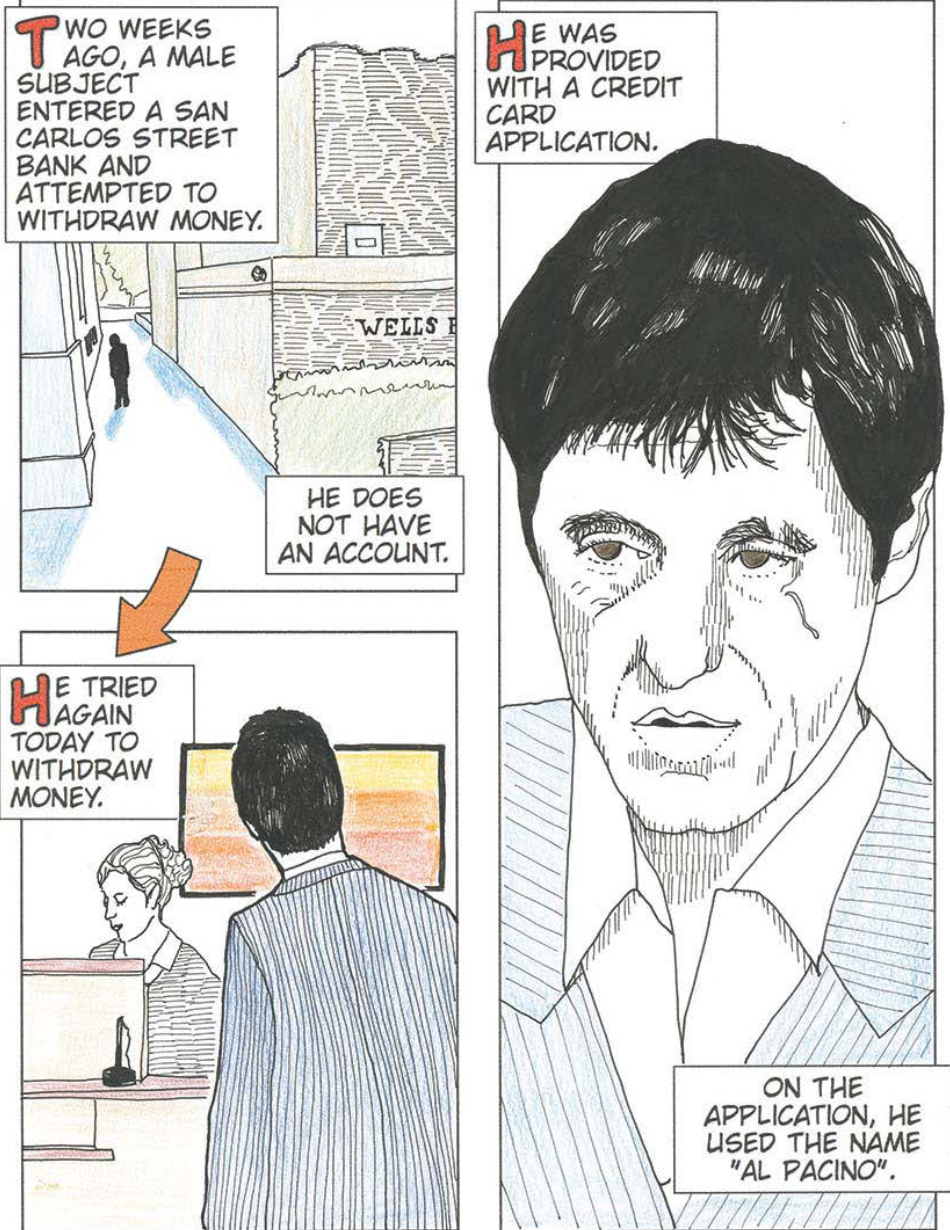
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“It’s a wonderful way to ring in the New Year — early or late,” declared **Ellen Martin**, the executive director for First Night Monterey. “There’s something for everybody.”

When the clock strikes midnight, **Red Beans and Rice** will welcome the New Year at the Golden State Theatre by serving up a dance-friendly mix of New Orleans-inspired rock ‘n’ blues.

A number of acts are making their first appearance at First Night Monterey, including **Valley Soul**, **Derek Bodkin & The Hovering Breadcat Folk Ensemble**, and an acoustic duo, **Dan Frechette & Laurel Thomsen**. Martin described

Valley Soul as a “powerhouse” pop-rock band with harmonies, while noting that Bodkin & Co. play rock “with a Celtic twist.” She said Frechette & Thomsen present a “really

put it on a flatbed trailer,” she explained. “He’s created multi-level staging with all kinds of great visuals, and he’s bringing in a lot of performers.”

The lineup also features veteran First Night favorites like **Heartstrings**, **The Black Irish Band**, **Guitars Not Guns**, **The Dave Holodiloff Band**, **The Monterey Bay Belles**, **Samba Légal** and **I Cantori Di Carmel**. And besides live music, the celebration includes an array of family-friendly performances, exhibits and activities.

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See **MUSIC** next page

On A High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

sweet mix of gospel, blues and vintage country.”

Martin said one of this year’s highlights promises to be a performance by percussionist **Jayson Fann**, whose last local outpost was the Big Sur Spirit Garden.

“Jayson has created a huge drum out of a log, and he has



Jalisco harpist William Faulkner (left) is one of 20 musical acts scheduled to play Dec. 31 at First Night Monterey. Pianist Keiko Shichijo (above left) performs with her husband, contrabass flutist Ned McGowan, Dec. 2 at Stevenson School in Pebble Beach. An Aztec dancer (above right) performs at First Night.

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■ A new CD and a visit with mom

Widely recognized for his mastery of a rare instrument, the contrabass flute, **Ned McGowan** will play a free concert Monday, Jan. 2, at Stevenson School's Church of the Forest in Pebble Beach. McGowan will be joined by his wife, pianist **Keiko Shichijo**.

The concert will not only offer McGowan a chance to share his new recording, "The Art

Ned McGowan, who grew up in Carmel Valley, plays the contrabass flute, which is known for producing particularly low tones. He performs Jan. 2 in Pebble Beach.



of the Contrabass Flute," but visit with family and friends. McGowan and his wife live in Holland, but he grew up in Carmel Valley. His mother is Monterey Peninsula attorney **Anne McGowan**.

A master at playing an instrument that most people aren't familiar with, McGowan described it as a "huge version of a regular flute."

"You get really low tones," he explained. "For me, after playing the soprano flute, the contrabass flute really opened the bottom half of music for me. You can do all sorts of beautiful things with it."

McGowan will perform music from his new record, several other original works, and a piece by Salvatore Sciarrino, while Shichijo will play works by early 20th century Armenian composer Vardapet Komitas and contemporary Belgian composer Frank Nuyts. Earlier this year, The pianist released an entire album of music by Komitas, whose efforts to preserve his people's folk music earned him the title, "The Savior of Armenian Music."

McGowan said his wife has a devoted following in Europe. "She brings this Japanese sensitivity for small nuanced touches," he added. "Her sense of color and timing are unique."

The concert starts at 3 p.m. The school is located at 3152 Forest Lake Road.

■ Mince pies and 17th century music

While many musicians — and late night revelers — will no doubt be taking New Year's Day off, the Carl Cherry Center for the Arts will get an early start on 2017 when the nonprofit offers its annual baroque concert, "Mince Pies and Panettone," Sunday, Jan. 1, at 3 p.m.

"The earthy and winsome English meet the sophisticated and witty Italians for an afternoon New Year's Day concert," reads an invitation to the event. "This year, harpsichordist **Michael Peterson** joins **Elizabeth Gaver** on the violin and **Penny Hanna** on

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Celebrating a local wine expert, preparing for Foragers Fest, and tasting tequila

WHEN YOU'RE on the hunt for the perfect wine to take to someone's house for dinner, need an interesting and esoteric bottle to give your favorite wine geek, or want to know which wine would pair best with the pork loin you're making for dinner, Patrick Schrady is your guy. As the resident wine expert at Nielsen Bros. Market for a quarter-century, he's fielded many questions like those.

Schrady hadn't meant to pursue a career in wine, but dinner with the market's former longtime owners, Merv and Nancie Sutton, changed that. That evening, as he and Merv perused the wine list, Schrady recalled, "He said, 'You know something about wine. I need someone to run my wine department.'"

He already had a job at one of the town's hotels and wasn't searching for a new one, but after giving it some consideration, Schrady decided to make the switch.

"Then I got started and was really overwhelmed — I wasn't sure if I made the right choice," he said. "The first day, someone asked me what was in Cote du Rhone rouge, and I had no idea."

It was 1991 — Google wasn't even a twinkle in someone's

soup to nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

eye — so he plunged himself into the effort of learning everything he could from his coworkers, sales people, wine reps, knowledgeable clients, and books.

"I figured out what parts I needed to know first, and have been trying to figure it all out ever since," he said. "It's an inexhaustible thing — there's always something else to know or try."

Other than a six-month stint in the mid-1990s when he worked for a winery in Germany's Rheingau region, and serving as a part-time sommelier at the Post Ranch Inn's Sierra Mar restaurant, Schrady has worked only at Nielsen Bros. ever since.

"I was able to gain experience and see the other side of the fence, in production and on the restaurant side," he said. "But retail suits me best."

His knowledge and longevity also benefit customers who are searching for hard-to-get wines. Because he's been able to develop and maintain relationships with wineries and distributors, Schrady stocks several highly allocated wines, like Spottswoode, Pisoni, Joseph Phelps Insignia and Opus One. "We want them, and they want to be with us," he said.

It also helps that Nielsen's was the first business in the city to obtain a liquor license after the repeal of Prohibition in



PHOTO/MARY SCHLEY

The affable and knowledgeable Patrick Schrady has shared his wine wisdom with Nielsen Bros. customers for 25 years. A special toast will be raised to him during a Moët & Chandon tasting Dec. 30.

1933.

"That kind of longevity and maintaining relationships are important," he said. "And keeping your eyes open for the next best thing."

Schrady said he's grateful to have worked at the market, which was purchased by Tigran and Azniv Amirkhania from the Suttons in 2009, for all these years, and he's looking forward to many more.

"It's been the right fit," he said. "It wasn't necessarily my intention — I was just having dinner."

Schrady's tenure at Nielsen Bros. will be celebrated during a special Moët & Chandon Champagne tasting Friday, Dec. 30, from 4 to 6 p.m. Brand ambassador Cameron Christie will be there to pour a selection of Moët & Chandon bubbly, and to raise a toast to Schrady. The tasting is free, and the market is located at San Carlos and Seventh.

■ A few spots left

The second seating for Mundaka's New Year's Eve dinner and celebration is already full, but a few spots remain at the 6 p.m. seating, and chef Brandon Miller this week revealed the dishes guests will be enjoying throughout the evening. Attendees will be able to choose four-course vegetable, fish and meat options, and Miller will also be making hors d'oeuvres that will be passed throughout the evening, like truffle chicken wings, soft scrambled eggs with caviar, crispy sweetbreads with lemon caper butter, and lobster salad. Dinner costs \$65 per person, and reservations can be made by calling (831) 624-7400. The restaurant is located on San Carlos north of Seventh. After the night's festivities, it will close from Jan. 1 to Jan. 12 for annual cleaning, repairs and staff training.

Next door, at Barmel, New Year's Eve revelers who pay a \$10 cover will receive a well drink or tap beer, along with the chance to dance all night, and in the Carmel Square courtyard, the party will continue in the theme of "futuristic Spain." One vacant shop space will be transformed into a lounge, and a photo booth will be set up in the restaurant's café space.

■ Bloody skills

Bull and Bear Whiskey Bar and Taphouse on Alvarado Street in downtown Monterey will hold its 2nd Annual New Year's Day Bloody Mary Contest Sunday, Jan. 1. YettiFest, the bar's annual music festival, is presenting the competition, which will feature "fresh and unique ideas from the most popular drinking establishments on the Peninsula."

"What better way to crawl into the New Year, than with a cocktail as distinctive as your fingerprint?" organizers asked. The event will also feature live music and a raffle benefitting local charities.

The bar is located at 479 Alvarado St. For more information, visit <http://www.bullandbearca.com>.

■ Tasting tequila

Lopez Restaurante y Cantina, located at 635 Cass St. in Monterey, will showcase "some amazing tequila" and offer appetizers during a special tasting Thursday, Jan. 5, from 6 to 8 p.m. Four brands will be featured, with a dozen different tequilas to taste. The cost to attend is \$10, and only people of legal drinking age are allowed to attend.

■ Foragers Fest in C.V. this year

Ventana Inn is undergoing an overhaul, so the Big Sur Foragers Festival — set for Jan. 13-15 — is moving to the inn's sister resort, the award-winning Carmel Valley Ranch, this year. A few new elements have also been added to the festival, a key fundraiser for the nonprofit

Big Sur Health Center. Foragers Festival events include exclusive dinners on Friday, the Fungus Face-Off tasting and marketplace Saturday, the Saturday night Chefs Dinner, and foraging hikes on Sunday.

New this year, Emanuele and Anna Bartolini, owners of La Balena restaurant on Junipero Street between Fifth and Sixth avenues, will host a special truffle dinner Jan. 13, starting at 6:30 p.m., for \$175 per person. The five-course meal will focus on the wild mushrooms and black and white Italian Alba truffles the Bartolinis gathered during their recent three-week trip to Italy. Wines for the evening will be donated by Bernardus Winery and Chappellet Wines.

Also on Friday, executive chef Chad Minton will present a three-course dinner paired with Bonny Doon Vineyard wines in the intimate wine room at the Hyatt Carmel Highlands, for \$175 per person. The evening will begin with

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CALENDAR

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Editorial

Mr. Panetta goes to Washington

IN THE 1939 classic drama, “Mr. Smith Goes to Washington,” an unpretentious Boy Scout leader is picked for the U.S. Senate by a frightened governor from an unnamed Western state who’s being mercilessly pressured by a media baron and interest groups to name someone they can control.

Unable to choose between two experienced candidates, and desperate to escape the political consequences of making the wrong decision, the governor turns to Jefferson Smith — played by Jimmy Stewart — figuring the newcomer at least won’t offend anybody or do any damage.

But when he heads to Washington, the hayseed Smith turns out not only to be inexperienced, but also to have principles. Despite immense pressure by political and business leaders to give up his campaign to create a national Boy Scout camp on valuable land, Smith stages a filibuster and wins the day, in the process exposing corruption in his home state on a massive scale.

The movie was an unexpected hit, drawing Americans by the millions to see a story that embodied their ideals about government the way it was supposed to be, not the way it was. And the No. 1 quality Smith had that made him a hero was his independence.

Next week, for the first time in many years, the people of the Monterey Peninsula will send a newcomer to represent them in Washington — a city that is more dysfunctional, more beholden to special interests, and more divided than it has been since Reconstruction. The federal government of 1939 seems positively quaint compared to the money-laden, wasteful, counterproductive and phony institutions that fill the nation’s capital today. And the political leaders of the 1930s all seem like Jefferson Smiths compared to the schemers and liars we put up with in the 2010s.

Unfortunately, another of our current political system’s worst features is its ability to corrupt anybody who comes near it, and one of the principal ways it does that is the seniority system that rules the day in Congress — a system that relegates newcomers, no matter how qualified or well meaning, literally to the back bench. The only way to get power is to be in office a long time, which in most cases means that by the time you get a committee chairmanship or party leadership position, you’ve long since sold out. Meanwhile, freshman congressmen and senators are told what to do, when to do it, and who to do it to.

However, our new congressman, Jimmy Panetta, is in a position to resist the usual pressures. First of all, his father served long and well in a multitude of offices, so Panetta has the advantage of having an immediately recognizable name. No laboring in anonymity for him.

Furthermore, having been a prosecutor, and with a wife who is a sitting judge, Panetta has the training and the experience to recognize B.S. when it’s offered to him. After all, no place has more baloney presented as truth than the criminal courts.

And having been elected in November by a huge margin, there can be no doubt in Panetta’s mind that he has the support of the people back home.

Which leaves just one element for him to become a Smith-like presence on Capitol Hill: The personal fortitude.

When Speaker of the House Paul Ryan or House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi tries to take this country down the wrong path, will Panetta have the courage to say, “No”? When President Donald Trump or Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer is up to no good, will Panetta have the strength of character to object?

We understand that Panetta will need time to find his way around his new congressional office, much less the corridors of power in Washington. We’re not expecting him to take the place by storm. We are also mindful that, in many ways, it will be harder for him to resist pressure from his own party than from the opposition.

But what we and all his constituents are expecting is for him not to become just another platitude-mouthing sycophant to the all-too-familiar political leaders.

Please have the courage to always speak your own mind, Jimmy. If you do, we will always be with you.

BEST of BATES



“All I said was, ‘Where’s the action in this town?’”

Letters to the Editor

‘Usual reasons’ are still good reasons

Dear Editor,

Last week’s Pine Cone presented opposing views of the permit application to establish a First Baptist Church on Cachagua Road.

One view came from me, a resident of Cachagua and owner of one of the properties that borders the current residential parcel where the church would be located. The other came from Christine Williams, a member of the Sanctuary Bible Church in Mid Valley and resident of Carmel Valley Village. She speaks of a small group (20) of good people not loud or rowdy.

The environmental documents from the county, however, talk of growth to a congregation of 90 with a collection of day and night activities. Many of these people would come from outside Cachagua thereby adding traffic to our very dangerous road.

Adding to the safety concerns is the actual location of the property. It is bordered by a narrow, one-way bridge on one end and a hill/curve combination on the other.

Rezoning this property would change the current resource conservation, low use zoning to one of high commercial use.

The opposition of the community is not about a church and the good things it can do.

It is about the location of the church. The residential property at 19345 Cachagua Road should remain as it is, a rural, residential property that is zoned resource conservation with its low-use requirement. Any church or high use activity should be located on those parcels within Cachagua that are zoned for such use. Right now, the former General Store appears to be a logical choice.

Don Bonsper, Cachagua

‘Apology to the people of Pacific Grove’

Dear Editor,

In last week’s Pine Cone, David Armanasco disagreed with my criticisms of Ronald Meer’s management of Domaine, the developer of Project Bella. Grant Sedgwick and I remain shareholders in Domaine, which we co-founded. We agreed to Meer’s management at Wesley Clark’s insistence. We resigned from our operational roles because of the financial irregularities under Meer’s management that we discovered this past August. We immediately asked Clark to investigate, personally and in repeated written requests, but to no avail.

Armanasco’s intended comments regarding broker registration deftly parse words; he is simply wrong. The securities laws are specifically designed to protect investors and communities from the intentional misrepresentations of unscrupulous issuers and unregistered brokers. It is sad when real people are fooled out of their hard-earned savings. Meer was sanctioned by the NASD for

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Defined by hospitality and hopelessly in love with his home

IF YOU hang around Monterey's Hyatt Regency long enough, you'll be glad-handed by the dapper and enthusiastic David Lambert, who's the hotel's director of sales and marketing. He's been there for more than seven years and at one point worked at both the Monterey property and the Highlands Inn.

But even before he came here, Lambert had a hospitality and business career that dates back to the late 1970s. And he might have taken a different path if not for the fact he graduated from college in 1982.

After earning a bachelor's degree in early childhood education at San Diego State, Lambert said he was put off going into that career path by the then-nascent and already infamous McMartin Preschool child abuse case and all the surrounding publicity.

However, Lambert had worked his way through high school and college by doing various jobs at San Diego's iconic Hotel del Coronado. He said a surfer buddy called him one Saturday and asked if he wanted to work that evening.

"I showed up, they gave me a jumpsuit, and I started parking cars. At the end of the night, they gave me a big bag of money," he remembered.

Soon Lambert was a regular employee, and worked as an elevator operator, bellman, and he said that by the time he finished was one of just three doormen — something he was quite proud of.

"There's only one Hotel del Coronado," he said.

When he finished college, Lambert went to work for the Hilton chain, in a series of progressively more responsible sales and marketing jobs in San Francisco, Oakland and Irvine.

Then he became director of marketing for Nikko Hotels, a Japanese chain that was just making its entrance in the United States. He helped open the company's hotels in Atlanta, Ga., and San Francisco.

What does that involve?

There's a great deal of shopping, for one thing, for everything from linens and dishes to carpeting and curtains.

"It's all-encompassing," he said. There's

also a whole lot of hiring, training and team-building, something Lambert enjoys.

"I like bringing people along," he said, noting that at his current job, he's seen employees work their way up from the front desk to management positions.

From Nikko, Lambert moved on to the Four Seasons and worked in Newport Beach and San Francisco. He also was on the opening team for the hotel in Jakarta, Indonesia, where he was director of marketing in the mid-1990s.

He said the property had been built seven years before it opened, and had been left dormant.

"It was a stunning building in downtown Jakarta, just sitting there," he said.

He remembered his time in Indonesia as "exciting and a lot of fun," and described the city as a place of stark contrasts between abject poverty and great wealth.

Lambert started working with Hyatt in 2009, after helping to open a luxury resort called Bardessono, in Napa Valley.

He and his wife, Shelby, had been living in the San Francisco area when he got the offer to work at the Hyatt in Monterey. They now

live in Carmel Valley and he's a veritable walking chamber of commerce for the Peninsula.

He said he loves taking visitors around Carmel Valley Village and showing them the great restaurants and numerous tasting rooms there.

"It's been fun to watch it grow and change. It's got a great vibe," he said.

He likes hiking at Soberanes Point, too.

And he and Shelby have three pretty precocious children, the oldest of whom, Abby, was recently accepted at MIT.

In fact, if you ask Lambert what he does for fun, his first answer is, "I have three chil-



David Lambert

Great Lives

By ELAINE HESSER

dren." Then he gets around to talking about cooking, baking and home-brewing his own beer. Most of all, though, he said, "We're big fans of taking in all of the Peninsula. So many people come here once a year and don't even spend the night."

You can almost picture him scratching his head at that notion, can't you?

To suggest someone for this column, email elaine@carmelpinecone.com.

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

LETTERS

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his own failings, not those of "somebody else." This is in the public record.

All companies that engage in business in California must be registered here, including those organized in other states. Meer and Clark have not registered Domaine, a Delaware company, to do business in California. This is a violation of California law and puts at risk the validity of every contract that Meer has signed, including with the City of Pacific Grove and for the financing of Project Bella.

What is there to show Pacific Grove for the "millions of dollars" that have been spent? Meer has not paid for or produced design drawings, he hasn't submitted a completed application for the EIR, and the EIR is not underway. But, Domaine does have a lot of unpaid local bills, probably still totaling over \$130,000, and Meer has paid hundreds of thousands of dollars to himself and his affiliates. Will Meer open Domaine's books so the public can see where the millions went?

The acrimonious litigation that seems to follow Meer everywhere will make it very difficult to raise money for Project Bella and will embarrass our community.

I sincerely apologize to the people of Pacific Grove for inviting Meer and Clark into our project, and to our community.

Michael Crall, Carmel

The danger to communities

Dear Editor,

Elitism and the power of assets are more of a danger to our communities than physical development. It's easier to regulate construction than regulate egos. May I suggest that where land has become so scarce and nature is at risk, offsets are a way for developers to mitigate impact? One sees so many neglected or moribund buildings, especially businesses along highways and in rural areas in Monterey County. Perhaps if people wanting to build anew were given the option to deconstruct crumbling and neglected buildings and restore the land in trust as preserves for species propagation and open space, a consensus could be reached using quid pro quo?

Cannery Row is certainly overbuilt, and could benefit from such efforts. A light rail system for commuters from the suburbs could do a lot to lessen that horrific traffic issue. Underground parking structures could alleviate the blight of too many cars parking on downtown surface streets. It seems possible that developers could be offered the

chance to participate in a planning-sanctioned guild that contributed and orchestrated such improvements, keeping them in the private sector at the same time (thereby relieving the harried administrations of fiscal and maintenance duties)?

By the way, we noticed the same problems facing the Santa Inez Valley and many such places in California, a way to accommodate visitors, locals, and low-wage earners while maintaining the sovereignty of nature and legacy inhabitants. Mitigation as a sort of voluntary tax can provide at least some of the solution. The problem with parking is that there ain't none, but were it subterranean and affordable, it wouldn't blight Big Sur or Carmel, for instance.

John P. Chambers, Carthage, Illinois

'No one else would want you'

Dear Editor,

I look forward to Thursday evenings and receiving my email copy of the latest edition of The Pine Cone. It is always entertaining. As a born-and-raised Californian, I am forever amused by what the nutcases on the Monterey coast consider "serious issues": People getting food at counters, injuries in tap dance classes, tripping on cobblestones, pigs in yards, a city hall polluted with a constant turnover of clowns, fraud, corruption, abuse of (barely palpable) power, the audacity of those horrible sales people hocking their wares on the sidewalk, and making sure Starbucks and the like never descend upon the town. The medicated, dedicated, overly ego-inflated liberal hippies from years gone by who can't seem to grow an honest bone in their creaky old bodies. Hypocrites all.

Collectively, individually, and always, your farcical hamlet appears frozen in misery and dread. The weirdest collection of locals imaginable, living their lifetimes there for one reason: No one else would want you and you would never be able to survive elsewhere. Good luck with your ordinances, incompetence, corruption, and deplorable rental rip-offs. Thieves all. Where for art thou, long lost Carmel charm?

Catherine Hemingway, Pebble Beach

Excellent medical care

Dear Editor,

Last December my wife became very ill at home. 911 sent help within a few minutes. She was taken to CHOMP where she was treated first in the ER and then moved to ICU, where she remained for several days. The holidays remind us how grateful we are to our doctors and the entire medical community for the kind and excellent care available to us here on the Peninsula.

Ian MacPhail, Carmel



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we will pay staff.”

But that’s not good enough, according to the former Pinnacle employees, who contend McEwan made a promise to them not long before the business closed for good.

“He told all of us employees during the last week that he had the money to pay us,” one worker said. “He assured us. That’s the main reason we hung in there.”

Though he declined to discuss the FBI investigation and what led to Pinnacle’s collapse, McEwan said he also “didn’t get paid” when the business closed.

In the letter soliciting clients for the tax business, McEwan wrote, “we need to take care of the ones around us [who] are less fortunate” — an irony not lost on his former employees.

“He talks about the less fortunate,” said one worker, who has since gotten a new job. “His employees included single parents with children.”

Pinnacle Workforce Solutions and McEwan came under

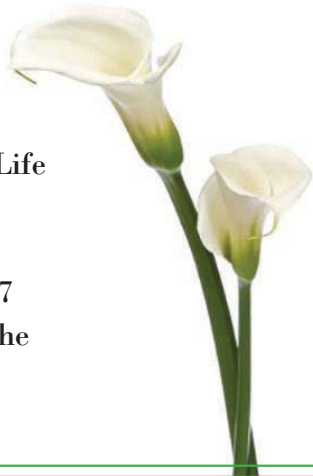
scrutiny after clients complained to local law enforcement that their payroll and taxes had not been processed. That led the Monterey County District Attorney’s Office and the FBI to look into the business.

However, the case is now in the hands of the FBI and U.S. Attorney’s Office, since Pinnacle’s “victims” are located in at least 48 states, Monterey County Chief Assistant District Attorney Berkley Brannon told KSBW in November. While the amount Pinnacle was alleged to have not paid was initially about \$1.8 million, that number is now about \$7 million, KSBW reported.

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TRAILS

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sites and consulted with trail crews. He not only has considerable experience fixing trails, but leading trail crews, too.

Popchak said Willits’ guidance “ensures crew efficiency” and results in “work of the highest possible standard.”

Willits is a full-time employee for the VWA. “Most of us go the office,” Popchak observed. “Trevor spends much of his time living out of a tent in the backcountry.”

Besides sharing Willits’ leadership, each of three projects are funded — at least in part — by donations from the public. And because trails constantly require maintenance, the fundraising efforts always need help.

“The work never ends,” Popchak added. “Thank goodness for the groups that work to secure funding for trail crews.”

ATSUKO HATSUSE LA MICA

May 25, 1933 – November 16, 2016

Atsuko Hatsuse La Mica, 83, left us peacefully early on November 16, 2016. A Nagasaki, Japan native, she lived with her two older sisters, two older brothers, and younger brother. As a student she attended Business High School in Japan. Tragedy struck her family early as she lost her father when she was 10 years old and after surviving the Atomic Bomb Blast in Nagasaki, she lost her older sister.

Years later, Atsuko met her husband Francis La Mica of Malone, New York, while he was stationed in Japan. They married in Fukuoka, Japan in 1956. Together, they came to the United States where they moved between New York, California, Texas, Alaska and then to Colorado prior to finally settling down in the Monterey Peninsula in 1965. Francis and Atsuko were married for 48 years before Francis passed away in 2004.

For 36 years, Atsuko worked at the Monterey Peninsula Airport District and was likely one of the longest serving employees of the airport. Throughout her life, Atsuko had a long battle with multiple health issues.

She will be greatly missed by her son Arlington La Mica and his wife Pamela Dally-La Mica (Seaside). Her daughter Eunice Fletcher and husband Russell Fletcher and her two grandchildren Mari Fletcher and Francis Michael Fletcher (Carmel). Daughter Brenda La Mica-Hoge predeceased Atsuko in 2006 while married to Timothy Hoge (Seaside). Atsuko also leaves her cousin Hiromasa and Etsuko Iwanaga, Nephew Seiji & Fume Nakashima family, Nieces Ayako Araki, Machiko Hara and Hiroko Yamamoto all of Japan.

We want to thank her doctors Jerome Rubin, Jeffrey Chen, Richard Hell, Michael Plainse, Haleh Bassiri and Jon Benner for their wonderful care. We also want to thank the doctors and nurses at CHOMP Garden East and the ICU unit who cared for her prior to her passing.

Arlington and Eunice want share their upmost gratitude for her longtime friends Kaneko Weber (Seaside), Ralph and Fukue Collins (Monterey), Katherine Rousville (Sacramento), Yasuko Matsui (Pebble Beach), and Nobue Milton (Pacific Grove) along with countless others who shared their friendship, love, and compassion throughout her life. They have been a big part of Atsuko’s and her family’s life for many years and for that Arlington and Eunice are extremely grateful.

There will be an internment of Atsuko La Mica along with her deceased husband Francis La Mica and their daughter Brenda June La Mica-Hoge at the El Encinal Monterey City Cemetery at 601 Fremont Street, Monterey on January 7, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. Following the ceremony, there will be a Celebration of Life at the Japanese American Citizen League Hall (JACL) at 424 Adams Street, Monterey beginning at 12:30.

In lieu of flowers please make a donation to the American Cancer Society or charity of your choice in the name of Atsuko La Mica.



HOWARD MESSINGER HODGES

Howard Messinger Hodges passed peacefully at his Pebble Beach home on Friday, December 16th. He was surrounded by his loving family and dedicated caregivers. Howard was born on April 9, 1926 in Beaver, Utah to Harold and Nettie Hodges. A year later his parents moved to the Monterey Peninsula where he lived the rest of his life. He attended Pacific Grove schools and graduated in 1944 from Pacific Grove High School.

When Howard was 14, he bought 3 bicycles from the money he earned working at his father’s gas station in New Monterey—and the rest is history. He rented bicycles for 25 cents an hour to WWII G.I.s at Fort Ord and neighborhood kids who didn’t have bikes of their own.

Howard was drafted into the Army in 1945 and served at Camp Beale, returning to the Monterey Peninsula in 1947. He graduated from Heald Business College and continued to build his rental business by adding equipment after purchasing the gas station from his father. Little did he know, he would meet his future bride, Lorraine Haley, when she and a mutual friend stopped there for gas in 1955. Howard and Lorraine were married in Carmel the following year. Daughter Julie and son Hal arrived in the next two years respectively. Son Steven brought up the rear nine years later.

By 1957 the rental business had outgrown the gas station, and he purchased property on Foam St. where the equipment rental continues to this day. In 1986 he moved the party equipment to its current location on Lighthouse Ave. — a stone’s throw from where it all began.

Howard was respected by his many long-time employees, some of whom he gave their first job, and even celebrated 3 marriages between his employees who met while working together at the rental. Howard enjoyed the fact that some of his customers had been with him for many years and had celebrated milestones in their lives with items they had rented. One of his greatest joys is that his sons will continue his legacy.

Howard didn’t have many hobbies because the rental was his biggest hobby and passion, and he continued working up until last year. He loved serving his customers and his customers loved him. When he wasn’t helping a customer, he enjoyed traveling, photography, attending PGHS Breaker football games and playing poker with family and friends. He was active in the P.G.H.S. Alumni Association until his death. Until recently he could be found having lunch at Fandango Restaurant with his family, where he was affectionately referred to as their unofficial ambassador.

Howard was preceded in death two months to the day by his wife, Lorraine Hodges, of 60 years. He lovingly



referred to her as his “Sweet Lorraine.” He was also preceded in death by his sister, Betty Kristinich. Howard is survived by his daughter Julie (Scott) Dufault, sons Hal (Theresa) Hodges and Steven Hodges. Two grandchildren, Megan (Cliff) Burdick and Justin (Christiana) Dufault and two great-grandchildren, Ada and Ryan Burdick. He is also survived by his cherished nieces, Kathy Jacobs, Judi Tessier and Mary Burgess.

The family would like to thank his faithful caregivers, Bess, Lori, Precy and Romela who lovingly cared for him over the past 2 years and his doctor of 40 years, E. John Kennedy, M.D.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Pacific Grove High School Alumni Association (PGHSAA), P.O. Box 51396, Pacific Grove, CA 93950 or Animal Friends Rescue Project (AFRP) P.O. Box 51083, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.

Howard touched many lives with his gentle nature, humor and generosity. He will forever be in our hearts. A celebration of Howard’s life will be announced at a later date.

LIVE

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p.m.); and **The Ben Herod Trio** (swing and jazz, Thursday at 7 p.m.). 301 Alvarado St., (831) 649-8151.

Cooper’s Pub & Restaurant in Monterey — singer-songwriter **Tom Faia** (Friday at 9 p.m.); and **The Stu Heydon Blues Band** (Saturday at 9 p.m.). 653 Cannery Row, (831) 373-1353.

Fernwood Resort in Big Sur — **C.B. Brand** (country, Saturday at 9 p.m.). On Highway 1 25 miles south of Carmel, (831) 667-2422.

Folktale Winery in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Mark Banks** (pop and rock, Friday at 4:30 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road, (831) 293-7500.

Hidden Valley Theatre in Carmel Valley — **Cafe Musique** (Gypsy, tango, swing and folk, Saturday at 9 p.m.). 88 W. Carmel Valley Road, (831) 659-3115.

Hyatt Regency Monterey Hotel and Spa — **The Peter Lips Jazz Band** with drummer **David Morwood** (Friday at 7 p.m.); and **The David Morwood Jazz Band** presents a New Year’s Eve Party with guitarist **Mike Lent**, bassist **Peter Lips** and special guests (Saturday at 7 p.m.) and **The David Morwood Jazz Band** presents a New Year’s

Jazz Brunch (Sunday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.). 1 Old Golf Course Road, (831) 372-1234.

The Inn at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach — **The Jazz Trio** featuring pianists **Bob Phillips** or **Bill Spencer** (jazz, in the lobby, Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.); and **The Dottie Dodgion Trio** (jazz, Thursday at 7 p.m.); also, a bagpiper plays every evening at 5:45 p.m. 2700 17 Mile Drive, (831) 647-7500.

London Bridge Pub in Monterey — **The Dave Holodiloff Band** (“high energy acoustic,” Saturday at 9 p.m.). 256 Figueroa St., (831) 372-0581.

Lucia Restaurant + Bar at Bernardus Lodge in Carmel Valley — pianist **Martin Headman** (jazz, Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.). 415 Carmel Valley Road, (831) 658-3400.

Mission Ranch — pianist **Tom Gastineau** (jazz, Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 5 p.m.); singer and pianist **Maddaline Edstrom** (jazz and pop, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., and Sunday at 7 p.m.); pianist **David Kempton** (jazz, Monday through Thursday at 8 p.m.) and pianist **Gennady Loktionov** (jazz, Sunday at 10 a.m., Monday through Thursday at 8 p.m.). 26270 Dolores St., (831) 625-9040.

The Sunset Lounge at Hyatt Carmel Highlands — singer **Neal Banks** and gui-

tarist **Steve Ezzo** (pop and rock, Friday at 7 p.m.); and singer and pianist **Dino Vera** (jazz, blues and r&b, Saturday at 7 p.m. and Thursday at 6 p.m.). 120 Highlands Drive, (831) 620-1234.

Terry’s Lounge at Cypress Inn — singer and pianist **Dino Vera** (jazz, blues and r&b, Friday at 7 p.m.); pianist **Gennady Loktionov** and singer **Debbie Davis** (cabaret, Saturday at 7 p.m.); **Andrea’s Fault** (jazz and blues, Sunday at 11 a.m.); guitarist **Richard Devinck** (classical, Sunday at 5 p.m.); and singer **Lee Durley**

and pianist **Joe Indence** (pop and jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). Lincoln and Seventh, (831) 624-3871.

Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley — saxophonist **Roger Eddy** and guitarist **Bruce Forman** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place, (831) 298-7453.

Wills Fargo restaurant in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Fergus Shipman** (pop and rock, Saturday at noon); **The Andrea’s Fault Duo** (pop, jazz and blues, Saturday at 8 p.m.). 16 W. Carmel Valley Road, (831) 659-2774.

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ROBERT JEFFREY MILLS, M.D.

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Robert passed away peacefully at home in Carmel with his wife Diane holding his hand as he slipped away.

The middle of three siblings he was born in Cleveland, Ohio of Canadian transplant parents, Roy C. Mills and Ida Rau Mills. He attended Cleveland schools, graduated from Ohio University in Athens, Ohio, and received his medical degree in 1946 from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland. After four years of surgical residency in Minneapolis he spent two years as a surgeon in the Air Force in Arizona, followed by two years of specialty training in colorectal surgery. A Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, Robert set up a private medical practice in Fresno in 1955, retiring after thirty years in 1985.



Having played college tennis he enjoyed participating in the sport throughout most of his adult life. Since his late 30s he held a special interest in working with local architects and builders in creating six personal homes over these many years in Fresno, Carmel and Indian Wells, CA. Blessed with mental acuity up until the end, and a daily reader of the Wall St. Journal, he maintained a keen interest in the latest events and technology advances, looking forward to new horizons and wishing he could be around to see more.

He and Diane married in Carmel in 1978, and upon his retirement in 1985 they relocated there to a home they were building. The next years were spent splitting their time between the sea in Carmel and the sun in the desert of Indian Wells.

Robert was predeceased by his sisters Evelyn Mills and Doris Mills Glenney, his son Robert J. Mills, Jr., his grandson Robert J. (Jeff) Mills, III and his former wife Lois Mills Knight.

He leaves behind his loving wife of 38 years Diane (nee Maliani), daughters Bonnie (Dr. Alan) Newhoff of Phoenix and Cynthia Mills of Fresno, grandchildren Melissa Mills, David Newhoff and Morgan Newhoff, two great grandchildren Jordan and Ryan, three nieces and a nephew.

With heartfelt gratitude to cardiologist Dr. Richard Gerber for over twenty years of expert care and to the nurses of the Hospice of the Central Coast for their compassion these last two weeks.

Contributions may made to Hospice of the Central Coast, 2 Upper Ragsdale Dr., D120, Monterey, CA 93940 or to the SPCA for Monterey County, PO Box 3058, Monterey, CA 93942-3058.

Private services will be held with interment at San Carlos Cemetery in Monterey.

Condolences may be written to the family
at www.bermudezfamilyfunerals.com



MARIO BERETTI

JULY 22, 1933 ♦ DECEMBER 5, 2016

Mario Beretti, 83, passed away on Monday, December 5, 2016 at his home in Maple Valley, Washington. He leaves behind his devoted wife of 38 years, Michelle Beretti; his children with his first wife — son, Roger Beretti and his wife, Melanie; his daughter, Laura Bartram; three grandchildren, Andrew, John, and Sherry; and many loving family members and close friends.

Mario was born on July 22, 1933 in Bagnolo in Piano, Italy. Although he dearly loved his home country, he left Italy at a young age to work in the food and beverage industry, a pursuit which became a passion and a lifelong career. He was a long-time resident of the Monterey Peninsula, the home of his heart.

Those who knew Mario will remember how dedicated he was to his work and how humbly he looked after the people whom he served. His family will remember how much he loved and cherished them and the wonderful life lessons he taught them over the years. Mario will also be remembered as a talented chef, a clever humorist, an engaging storyteller, a kind and loving husband, father, uncle, grandfather, and friend.

Ciao for now, our Mario, until we meet again.

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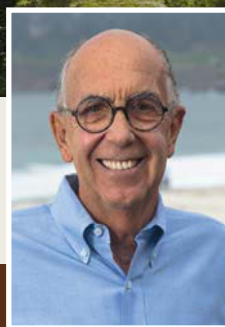
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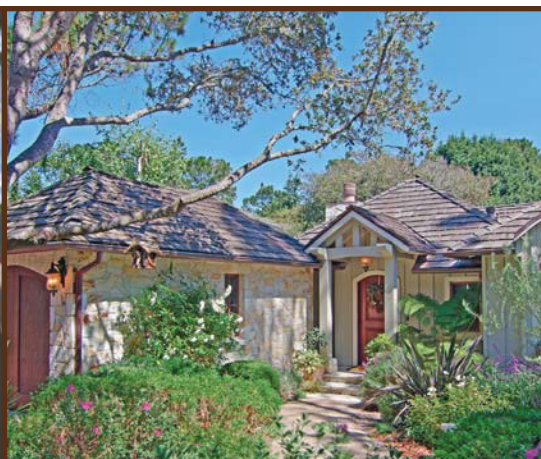
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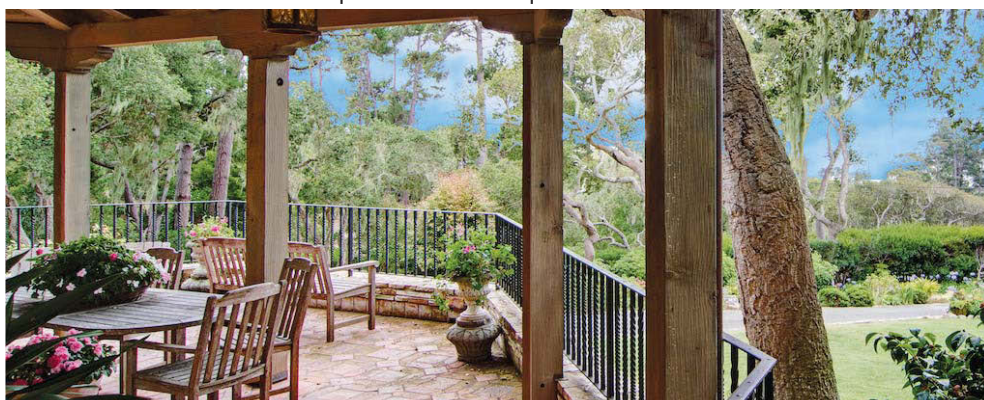
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Oak Valley Community Bank and Mother Lode Bank
to Ryan Loiacono
APN: 259-101-074

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POLICE LOG

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Citizen called to advise losing a wallet in the area of Dolores and Ninth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Citizen turned in a found wallet at the Barnyard into the station for safekeeping. Owner was contacted and will pick it up later.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Police responded to report of a burglary in progress on Monterey south of First. Units arrived on scene and discovered the suspicious subject described by the person who made the report was in distress due to a dog at large while she was walking her dog. The owners of the two dogs exchanged information.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Employee from a business at Ocean and San Carlos turned in a purse that was left in the store. Owner was contacted and will pick it up.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Burglary of a residence at Junipero and Second. Several items were stolen from the bedroom, including a computer, camera, watches and more. There were no witnesses, suspects or surveillance cameras available. Case suspended.

Pacific Grove: Report of vandalism of a vehicle on Mermaid Avenue.

Carmel Valley: An unknown person called a Carmel Valley Road resident and reported that a kidnapping took place. The resident realized it was a scam attempt, and no person associated with them was in danger.

Carmel area: Mother reported her 44-year-old son was missing from a Rio Road residence.

Carmel area: A 15-year-old female was found to be in possession of marijuana on school property on Ocean Avenue.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lost cell phone at Monte Verde and Ocean.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lost driver's license reported on Ocean Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Male on Lighthouse Avenue came to the station to drop off a weapon given to him several decades ago. He never used the weapon and wanted to surrender it.

Pacific Grove: Violation of restraining order/vandalism on Lobos Avenue. Suspect identification provided. Ongoing investigation.

Pacific Grove: A citizen on Ocean View Boulevard failed to register as a sex offender.

Pacific Grove: Police received a request for a welfare check which originated from an out-of-county child protective services referral after a juvenile called a suicide prevention line. Father was contacted and advised of a verbal argument that had been resolved. Mother and juvenile daughters were no longer on scene, as they had left to go Christmas shopping.

Pacific Grove: Failure to register as a sex offender on Briggs Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Citizen noticed money missing from her purse while it was inside her resi-

dence on Montecito.

Carmel Valley: Report of a burglary at a mobile home trailer on Carmel Valley Road.

Carmel Valley: Sky Ranch Road resident reported his ex-wife was on his property and causing a civil dispute

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 25-year-old male was cited and released at Ocean and San Antonio for driving on a suspended driver's license.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A citizen flagged down a parking officer about finding a tripod in the area of Santa Lucia Avenue and Scenic Road. The property was taken for safekeeping pending owner notification.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person reported losing a wallet on the beach.

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A walk among the tasting rooms — sampling wine as you tour downtown

YOUR FOCUS during the Christmas season was probably on family and kids, but now you're ready for an adult fling. It's too cold for skydiving. Another tattoo! Naah. Here's the perfect grown-up activity. Ready! Set! Go! ... on a walking wine tasting tour of downtown Carmel-by-the-Sea.

I am not an oenophile because I can't be something I can't pronounce. So my goal was simply to sample the wines from several tasting rooms without turning into a wine snob, or ending up in a twelve-step program.

Tudor Wines is located in the Court of the Fountains behind Anton & Michel restaurant, but its wine tastings are done in Anton & Michel's.

Inside the restaurant, Bert Simpson, the restaurant's congenial manager, poured me about six ounces of a lovely honey-colored chardonnay. A sip would do, but Bert told me

Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVAASE

I'd have to drain the glass to appreciate the all-positive finish that would explode in my mouth. If I drank it all, I'd explode! It has a buttery, oaky taste that doesn't need pairing with a meal. It's broad-shouldered enough to stand on its own.

My second stop was **Blair Estate**, in the same courtyard. There, Samantha Pierce said that although Blair has a great chardonnay, this area is known for pinot noir. Oh, oh, pinot is my favorite. In fact, it drives me wild when it's pronounced "pinot knorr." You're supposed to say, "pinot nwah."

Blair's 2014 Delfina Vinyard Chardonnay was up first. Boom! It's big and makes no apologies for it and has won more gold medals than Michael Phelps. Samantha twisted my arm (yeah, sure) to get me to also taste their 2013 Blair Estate Pinot. This must be what silk tastes like. Eh, Samantha, maybe I should try a little more.

Next up, **Wrath** tasting room in Carmel Plaza. Sales manager Christopher Whaley said the name comes from the Led Zeppelin song “Going to California.”

*Seems that the wrath of the Gods
Got a punch on the nose
and it started to flow;
I think I might be sinking.*

Christopher led off with the 2013 Wrath Fermata

Chardonnay. It was like eating dessert. The vanilla notes are so strong that if you poured this wine over apple pie you could skip the ice cream. Next up was Wrath's 2013 Tondre Grapefield Pinot Noir — a wine that is bigger than a burger. It says, "Move over cabernets, I'm staking a claim to your steak."

It's a few steps across Mission Street to **Albatross Ridge**, where Lori Monteleone and Rob Farland were doing the pouring. Their 2013 Albatross Ridge Chardonnay is a heart-breaker. A sip teases your palate with tart pears and toasted almonds before springing a rich taste of honey on you.

I wanted more, but still had a pinot noir to taste. Rob poured his 2013 Cuvee Vivienne Pinot into my glass, and then he followed it with the 2013 Estate Reserve. The wines are earthy, leaving me with a slight but refreshing mineral taste. Two more pinots with backbone. They smack of peppercorns and berries with a soupcon of spice. Maybe they'll let me spend the night tasting their wines.

I slipped into **Manzoni Cellars**, almost next door to Albatross Ridge. Sabrina Manzoni was pouring. We skipped the chardonnay and went right to the 2014 Home Vineyard Pinot Noir, which garnered 91 points from on wineenthusiast.com. This wine has dark cherries skulking about, giving the wine a ruby color that rivals the Portuguese Douro River Ports. There's plum mucking about, too. An oaky pinot? Absolutely. Next came Sabrina's 2014 Estate Reserve Pinot Noir. Only 135 cases were produced. The wine is as intense as Madison Bumgarner staring down the whole Dodger lineup. 2014 was a "textbook" growing season with seasonal temperatures and more predictable weather patterns. This pinot is not a textbook; it's a book of poetry. One sip and you're crooning, "How do I love thee, let me count the ways."

Dawn's Dream tasting room is in the courtyard on San Carlos and Seventh. The owner is Dawn Galante, who has a major wine-making pedigree. On the day of my visit, Megan Best was pouring. She started me with the 2015 Arroyo Seco Chardonnay, which begins in steel and finishes in oak. My taste buds also picked up ripe pears, but because the wine is finished in oak, when swallowed it has that buttery taste that I like in chardonnays. It has a clean lingering finish, too.

Dawn has three daughters, Alyssa, Rachel and Nicole. Each has a pinot named for her. Nicole is bold with berries and a touch of sugarplum. Alyssa is elegant and has a dark, brooding, yet accessible side. A sip of Rachel and I see Monet's "Woman with a Parasol" standing on a hill with her dress billowing in the wind. The variety of flavors whisper rather than speak candidly. Sorry ladies, Rachel has won my

heart.

Carmel Belle restaurant is a few yards north of Dawn's Dream. I sat quietly for more than an hour with a cup of coffee and looked over my notes — noticing that the quality of my handwriting decreased in direct proportion to the amount of wine I tasted.


My wine walk was a true learning experience. Monterey County wines are the equal of the state's more famous appellations. They can be expensive, \$35 to \$75 a bottle, but the wineries have wine clubs that offer better prices to members. Tasting fees are also deducted from the price of any purchases.

The wines are all local, with vineyards in the Santa Lucia Highlands. I had no idea how many tasting rooms Carmel has in a concentrated area. I also learned that, if in wine there is truth, then truth be told, visiting one or two tasting rooms to partake of the nectar is probably adequate for one day. However, if I lived within walking distance of downtown, I might become a true oenophile.

*Jerry Gervase can be contacted at
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The Tudor Wines tasting room in the Court of the Fountains is one highly recommended stop for any tour of the wine offerings downtown.

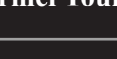



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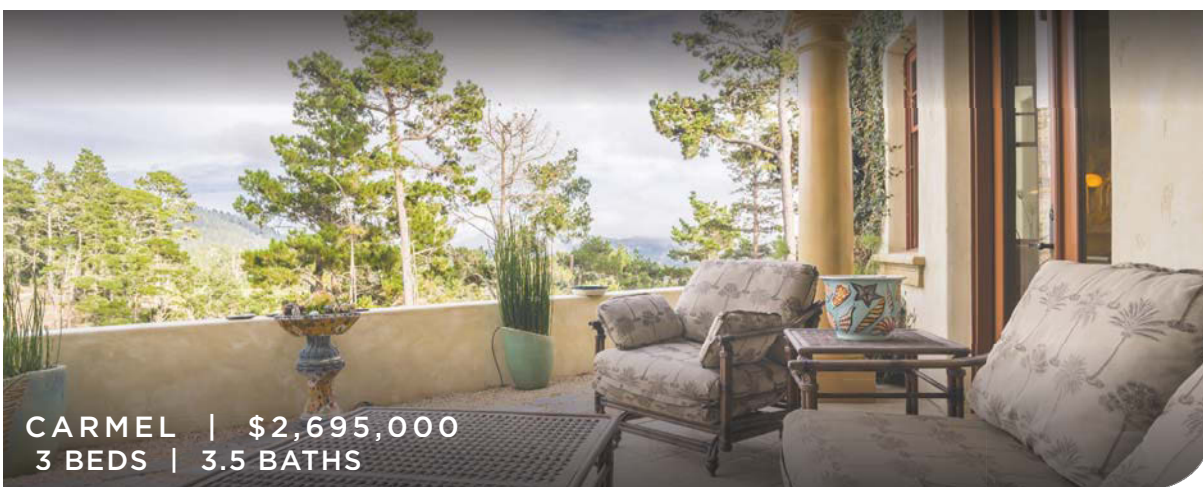
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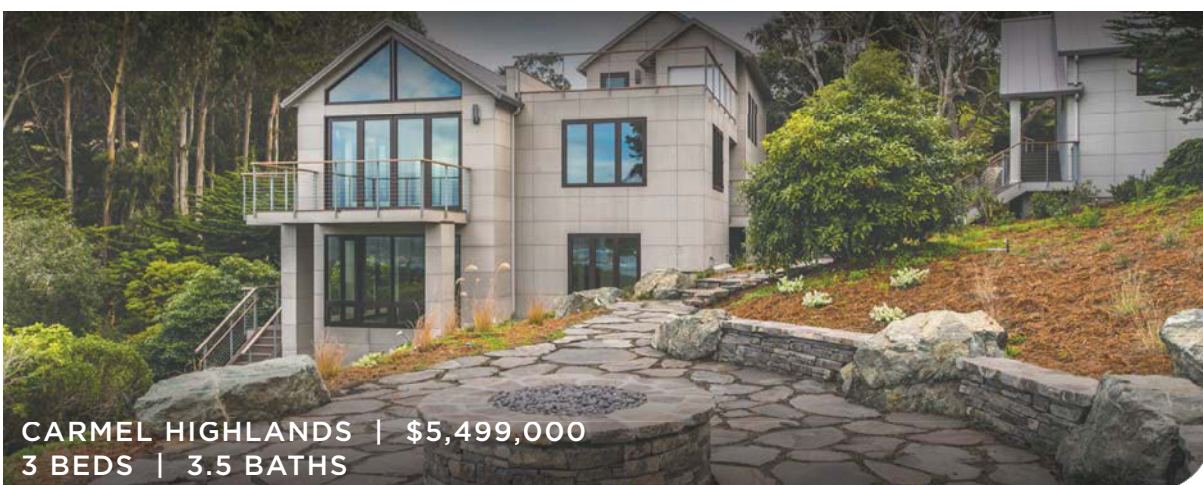


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From page 8RE

Pacific Grove: Theft from an unlocked vehicle on Lighthouse Avenue. Bicycle was taken from a carport.

Pacific Grove: Argument between a homeowner and a guest on Lighthouse Avenue. Guest was asked to leave and refused. Homeowner grabbed the guest by the arm. Informational report only, per guest's request.

Pacific Grove: Stabbing at an Arkwright Court apartment. An 18-year-old male was arrested on suspicion of stabbing his mother.

Big Sur: Female reported her handbag was stolen from her vehicle while it was parked on Highway 1.

Carmel area: A large lawn Christmas ornament was stolen from a front yard on Rio Road.

Pebble Beach: Security officer turned in a controlled substance for destruction.

Carmel Valley: A 47-year-old male spent the day trespassing on neighbors' properties on Nason Road. He also had an outstanding warrant for his arrest and possessed a controlled substance.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Two parked vehicles at Scenic and Santa Lucia Avenue were egged sometime overnight.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a grand theft from a hotel on Ocean west of Lincoln.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 47-year-old female Carmel resident was arrested at Santa Rita and Second, and booked for possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and probation violation.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officer responded to a report of a barking dog on Santa Fe north of First. Upon arrival, the officer could hear continuous and frequently repeated barking. The dogs were located, and the officer observed several dogs barking. Prior contacts at this location and contacts with the owner have occurred

in the past. Phone contact made with one of the owners, who said he would return home shortly. Dog owner stated a door was inadvertently left open. Follow-up contact made for dog license information; warning given.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A purse was found at Monte Verde and Fifth and brought to the station for safekeeping pending owner notification.

Pacific Grove: Officers responded to a report of a physical confrontation between three juveniles which occurred in front of a Lobos residence. Upon arrival, officers spoke to the resident, who stated all the parties involved had left the area in a white sedan in an unknown direction. Resident thought that they may be friends with his neighbor. However, when the resident confronted the juveniles, he did not recognize any of them. He requested a close patrol of the area and stated he would call the police if the suspects returned.

Carmel Valley: Resident on Cachagua Road reported a female had stolen personal belongings from a storage shed.

Carmel Valley: A male on Center Street was threatened by a client who was unhappy with his service. The client denied making the threat.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 28-year-old carpenter from Marina was arrested on 10th west of San Carlos for being in possession of a stolen motorcycle, and for driving without a license. He also had outstanding warrants for reckless driving, DUI and driving on a suspended license for DUI.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officer responded to a citizen on Ridgewood who found a loose dog that followed them home. The dog owner was located via ID information on the collar. Officer contacted the owner at the residence, and the dog was returned to the owner with a warning.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Citizen reported a lost pendant in the area of Ocean and Junipero.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Tourist turned in a bracelet found in the parking lot at San Carlos and Eighth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Taxi driver had an intoxicated subject refusing to pay and unable to say where she lived. The intoxicated subject, a 53-year-old female, was arrested for public intoxication and later released to a sober friend on 849(b) PC.

Pacific Grove: Monterey Avenue resident reported that property from his residence was stolen. No forced entry. No known suspect information.

Pacific Grove: Citizen said he struck a stop sign at an intersection near his residence on Short Street. Resident stated the stop sign was bent over as a result. He provided his insurance info and requested the matter be documented for information. Photographs of the stop sign were taken, but public works had already begun repairs.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle on Ocean View was vandalized. Vehicle's convertible was slashed. No suspect information.

Pacific Grove: Officer was notified of a possible rape by the victim on Ocean View Boulevard.

Pacific Grove: Theft from a locked vehicle on David Avenue. No suspect information.

Carmel area: Deputies responded to a family argument at a Carmel Knolls Drive residence.

Carmel area: A Chinese passport and driver's license were found on Highway 1 and turned in for return to their owner. They will be mailed to the consulate.

Carmel Valley: Online report of theft on Country Club Drive.

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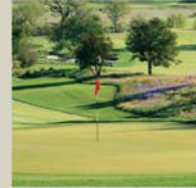
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PUBLIC NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20162346

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **PERSONALIZED ONCOLOGY CARE OF MONTEREY** **BAY700 Cass Street, Ste 128, Monterey, CA 93940.**

County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey
Name of Corporation of LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **ARINA GANELES MD PC**, 700 Cass Street, Ste 128, Monterey, CA 93940
State of Inc./Org./Reg: CA
This business is conducted by: a corporation.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 1, 2016.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/ Arino Ganeles, President
Nov. 10, 2016

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 17, 2016

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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).
ORIGINAL FILING
Publication Dates: Dec 9, 16, 23, 30, 2016;. (PC1237)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20162419

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **RUCCELLO ENTERPRISES, 400 Garden Ave., Monterey, CA 93940.**

County of Monterey
Registered owner(s):
ROSEANNE FISCHER, 400 Garden Ave., Monterey, CA 93940.
This business is conducted by: an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/ RoseAnne Fischer
Nov. 29, 2016

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 2, 2016
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ORIGINAL FILING
Publication Dates: Dec 9, 16, 23, 30, 2016. (PC1215)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20162439

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **SHORELINE WOODWORKS, 40 Clark St., Unit G, Salinas, CA 93901.**
Mailing address: 1015 Loyola Dr., Salinas, CA 93901.

County of Monterey
Registered owner(s):
CHRISTOPHER KEONE CARDENAS, 1015 Loyola Dr., Salinas, CA 93901.

This business is conducted by: an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Dec. 1, 2016.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/ Chris Cardenas
Dec. 1, 2016

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 6, 2016

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ORIGINAL FILING
Publication Dates: Dec 16, 23, 30, 2016. Jan. 6, 2017. (PC1218)

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. **CA-14-650653-RY** Order No.: **120094377**
NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED TO THE COPY PROVIDED TO THE MORTGAGOR OR TRUSTOR (Pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code 2923.3) **YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 10/18/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.** A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the

terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. **BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): PETE SANCHEZ, JR., AN UNMARRIED MAN** Recorded: **10/31/2006** as Instrument No. **20060963605 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of MONTEREY County, California;** Date of Sale: **1/13/2017 at 10:00 AM** Place of Sale: **At the main entrance to the County Administration Building, located at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901** Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$569,262.27** The purported property address is: **307 CONGRESS AVENUE, PACIFIC GROVE, CA 93955** Assessor's Parcel No.: **006-305-012-000 006-305-012** **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call **916-939-0772** for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site **http://www.qualityloan.com**, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: **CA-14-650653-RY** Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. **QUALITY MAY BE CONSIDERED A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Date: Quality Loan Service Corporation 411 Ivy Street San Diego, CA 92101 619-645-7711 FOR NON SALE information only Sale Line: 916-939-0772 O r Login to: http://www.qualityloan.com Reinstatement Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318** Quality Loan Service Corp. TS No.: **CA-14-650653-RY** IDSPub #0119863 12/23/2016 12/30/2016 1/6/2017 Publication Dates: Dec 23, 30, 2016; Jan. 6, 2017. (PC1222)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20162415

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **SPECIALIZED COURIERS, 425G West Laurel Dr., Salinas, CA 93906.**

Registered owner(s):
ROBERT CHARLES BARBER, 425G West Laurel, Salinas, CA 93906.

This business is conducted by: an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 2011.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/ Robert C. Barber
Dec. 1, 2016

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 1, 2016

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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).
ORIGINAL FILING
Publication Dates: Dec 23, 30, 2016. Jan. 6, 13, 2017. (PC1223)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20162492

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

1. PACIFIC CRUISE WINES
2. COOKING CONNECTION WINES
1010 Industrial Way,
King City, CA 93930.
Mailing address:
4159 Barnes Ct., Rochester, MI 48306.

County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey

Name of Corporation of LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **AMERICAN VINTNERS, LLC**, 4159 Barnes Ct., Rochester MI 48306
State of Inc./Org./Reg: MI.

This business is conducted by: a limited liability company.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be

false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

S/ Jon Gerstenschlager, Managing Member
Nov. 16, 2016

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 17, 2016

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).
ORIGINAL FILING
Publication Dates: Dec 23, 30, 2016; Jan. 6, 13, 2017. (PC1225)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20162520

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

PACIFIC DERMATOLOGY, 977 Pacific St., Monterey, CA 93940.

Registered owner(s):
MARY E. DAHL, 2775 Ribera Rd, Carmel, CA 93923.

AMARA LIEBERMAN, 4200 Peninsula Pt. D., Seaside, CA 93955.

This business is conducted by: an unincorporated association other than a partnership.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 2, 2016.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/ Mary Dahl
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 16, 2016

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.

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NEW FILING - WITH CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.
Publication Dates: Dec 23, 30, 2016. Jan. 6, 13, 2017. (PC1226)

Batch ID: Foreclosure HOA 55864-HVC47-HOA APN: See Exhibit "A" T.S. Number Contract Number Interval APN Owner(s) Notice of Delinquent Assessment Dated Date Recorded and Instrument No. Notice of Default Date Recorded & Instrument No. Default Amount Estimated Cost 3587328 8-2133 48 / Week 06 Annual Timeshare Interest 703-048-006-000 BENJAMIN T B ALLEN 08/31/16 09-08-2016 / 2016051795 09-13-2016 / 2016052786 \$9,139.48 \$600.00 3587330 8-1672 73 / Week 01 / Odd Year Biennial Timeshare Interest 703-073-001-500 JEFFREY GORDON HOLTZMAN and WENDY KATZ HOLTZMAN 08/31/16 09-08-2016 / 2016051795 09-13-2016 / 2016052786 \$9,823.38 \$600.00 3591882 8-3706 415 / Week 36 Even Year Biennial Timeshare Interest 703-065-036-000 Phyllis Ann Schaeffer 08/31/16 09-08-2016 / 2016051795 09-13-2016 / 2016052786 \$2,407.17 \$600.00 3591883 8-4080 401 / Week 18 Annual Timeshare Interest 703-051-018-000 ELIZABETH MURDOCH KAUFMAN and LEON KAUFMAN 08/31/16 09-08-2016 /2016051795 09-13-2016 /2016052786 \$4,582.38 \$600.00 3591884 8-4235 217 / Week 46 Annual Timeshare Interest 703-017-046-000 DOUGLAS ARTHUR SCHAEFFER and COLLEEN DIANE SCHAEFFER 08/31/16 09-08-2016 / 2016051795 09-13-2016 / 2016052786 \$7,291.50 \$600.00 3591885 8-2060 214 / Week 21 / Annual Timeshare Interest 703-014-021-000 PAULINE DO 08/31/16 09-08-2016 2016051795 09-13-2016 / 2016052786 \$7,347.69 \$600.00 3591886 8-485 408 / Week 24 / Annual Timeshare Interest 703-058-024-000 EDWARD FINE and JESSE WHITMIRE 08/31/16 09-08-2016 /2016051795 09-13-2016 / 2016052786 \$7,576.29 \$600.00 3591888 8-1862 423 / Week 16 / Annual Timeshare Interest 703-073-016-000 PETER CARLTON HOWE and ELIZABETH VINCENT BROWN 08/31/16 09-08-2016 /2016051795 09-13-2016 / 2016052786 \$13,242.08 \$600.00

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A NOTICE OF DELINQUENT ASSESSMENT. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Exhibit "A" is attached hereto and made a part hereof. Date of Sale: 01/12/17 Time of Sale: 10:00 A.M. Place of Sale: At the main entrance to the County Administrator Building, Located at: 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas CA, 93901 NOTICE is hereby given that First American Title Insurance Company, a Nebraska corporation as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Notice of Delinquent Assessment, for each property held by the Owner(s), as shown on the Notice of Default and Election to Sell, as each document is duly recorded in the Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of Monterey County, CALIFORNIA, all as shown on Exhibit "A", will sell at public auction for cash, lawful money of the United States of America, (a cashier's check payable to said Trustee drawn on a state or national bank, a state or federal credit union, or a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings bank as specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state) all that right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Notice of Delinquent Assessment, the property situated in said County and State to wit: Those certain Timeshare Estates as described in the Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions Recorded on June 21, 2002 as Instrument No. 2002058802 of Official Records of Monterey County, California and in particular that certain interval ownership commonly described as shown on Exhibit "A". The Property Address is: 120 Highlands Drive, Suite A, Carmel, CA 93923. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, as to title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining sum due under said Notice of Delinquent Assessment, with interest thereon as provided in said notice, accrued interest thereon to the date of sale, estimated fees, charges, and expenses

of the Trustee, as shown on Exhibit "A" (Estimated). Accrued Interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. The claimant, H.I. Resort Condominium Association, a California nonprofit mutual benefit corporation, under said Notice of Delinquent Assessment heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. PUBLIS: 12/23/16, 12/30/16, 01/06/17 First American Title Insurance Company 400 International Parkway, Suite 380 Lake Mary FL 32746 Phone: (407) 754-1320 Tach# 6542 Pub: 12/23/16, 12/30/16, 01/06/17 Publication Dates: Dec 23, 30, 2016. Jan. 6, 2017. (PC1227)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE of PATRICIA JANE STEPHENSON aka PATRICIA SHATTUCK STEPHENSON
Case Number 16PR000533

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of PATRICIA JANE STEPHENSON, also known PATRICIA SHATTUCK STEPHENSON.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ROBERT STEPHENSON in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

The Petition for Probate requests that ROBERT C. STEPHENSON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

Date: February 22, 2017
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Dept.: 13

Address: Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

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.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner:
SUZETTE S. PERRY
P.O. Box 1097
Carmel, CA 93921
(831) 624-9777

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 15, 2016.

Publication dates: Dec. 23, 30, 2016; Jan. 6, 2017. (PC1228)

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. **CA-08-170632-ED** Order No.: **E829496**
NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED TO THE COPY PROVIDED TO THE MORTGAGOR OR TRUSTOR (Pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code 2923.3) **YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 8/1/2001. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.** A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. **BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.** Trustor(s): **JOHN B SINACORI, KATHLEEN A SINACORI, HUSBAND AND WIFE** Recorded: **8/9/2001** as Instrument No. **2001066897** of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **MONTEREY County, California;** Date of Sale: **2/3/2017 at 10:00 AM** Place of Sale: **At the Main Entrance to the County Administration Building, located at 168 W. Alisal Street Salinas, California 93901** Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$1,284,084.35**

The purported property address is: **1047 LOST BARRANCA ROAD, PEBBLE BEACH, CA 93953** Assessor's Parcel No.: **007-141-009-000** **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (916)939-0772 or visit this Internet Web site **http://search.nationwideposting.com/propertysearch/terms.aspx**, using the file number assigned to this case **CA1600274215** Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser of the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Date: First American Title Insurance Company 1500 Solana Blvd Bldg 6 Ste 6100 Westlake, TX 76262 First American Title Insurance Company MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. FOR TRUSTEES SALE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL (916)939-0772NNP0298004 To: CARMEL PINE CONE 12/30/2016, 01/06/2017, 01/13/2017 Publication Dates: Dec 30, 2016; Jan. 6, 13, 2017. (PC1230)

TS No.: 8658335 TS No.: CA1600274215 FHA/VA/PMI No.: 6000149738 APN: 015-337-007-000 Property Address: 102 HACIENDA CARMEL CARMEL, CA 93923 **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE** YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 02/25/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 01/19/2017 at 10:00 A.M., First American Title Insurance Company, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 03/03/2005, as Instrument No. 2005020646, in book , page, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of MONTEREY County, State of California. Executed by: SYDNEY ELIZABETH HENDERSON, TRUSTEE OF THE SYDNEY ELIZABETH HENDERSON 1991 REVOCABLE TRUST DATED MAY 12, 1991, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (Payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). At the main entrance to the County Administration Building at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901 All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED DEED OF TRUST APN# 015-337-007-000 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 102 HACIENDA CARMEL, CARMEL, CA 93923 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$418,334.93. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust has deposited all documents evidencing the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and has declared all sums secured thereby immediately due and payable, and has caused a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be executed. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property

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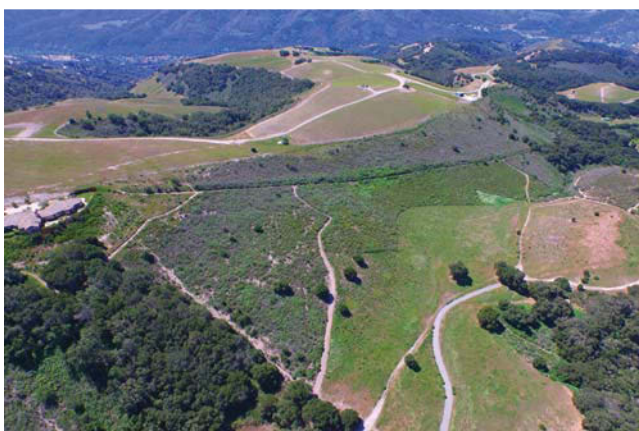
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