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By Lisa Crawford Watson

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"There was this adorable little dog," his person said. "I suddenly realized I had to have him. So, I brought him and the groceries home."

Joey, as his person calls him, is a wire-hair fox terrier-Jack Russell mix, around 8 years old. In his home state of Hawaii, he refused to sit on the sand or go into the warm water – hated it, actually, said his person, who began to believe their relationship wasn't going to work out.

But, when she and Joey moved to her native home the Monterey Peninsula two years ago, settling in Del Mesa Carmel, he fell in love with Carmel Beach. She brings him to the beach every day.

"As soon as I park the car at 13th and Scenic, Joey gets so excited," his person said. "He runs down the stairs, across the sand and into the water. I think the sand in Hawaii was too hot for him."

Joey's cuteness factor has caused the pair to make a lot of human friends at the beach, but he's a little more discriminating with dogs. Some, he really likes, his person said, while others, he just ignores.

His best pal is actually a shih tzu named Ulysses, who lives upstairs.

"At first, Joey didn't like Uly," his person said, "but Uly really likes Joey, so he must have given in.



They're sort of an odd couple, but they have a great time running together at the dog park near Quail Lodge."

Joey's person realizes that while she's feeling a little sequestered during shelter in place, Joey's life hasn't changed at all.

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Coastal commission’s OK puts city vacation rental rules in effect

By MARY SCHLEY

AFTER HEARING a glowing appraisal of the city’s law on short-term rentals in the commercial districts and apartment buildings, the California Coastal Commission last week approved an ordinance that grandfathers 44 vacation rentals and only allows additional ones if they are part of new developments with affordable apartments. The ordinance took effect as soon as the coastal commission approved it July 9.

Coastal planner Mike Watson and central coast district manager Susan Craig told commissioners the city’s planning department and decision makers “found a reasonable balance that seeks to maintain the city’s vibrant tourism economy at the same time as ensuring preservation of the city’s unique character that itself is a visitor

draw.”

While the municipal code has banned rentals of shorter than 30 days in the single-family-residential district for more than three decades, it was silent on vacation rentals in the commercial areas and multifamily-residential districts. As a result, property owners operated short-term rentals in those areas without regulation, and without paying transient occupancy taxes like hotels do, until the city began requiring business licenses and permits.

Rentals ‘a high priority’

Afraid the number would continue to climb if they didn’t somehow cap it, city council members, after several meetings, adopted an amendment to the city’s local coastal program in January that would al-

See **RENTALS** page 29A

ROBERTSON ENTERS COUNCIL RACE

By MARY SCHLEY

AS SOON as the filing period for the election of two city council members and mayor opened Monday, incumbents Mayor Dave Potter and councilman Bobby Richards received their nominating papers from city clerk Britt Avrit so they could collect the 20 signatures of registered voters they need to get on the ballot. Longtime resident Graeme Robertson, who has been mentioned as a possible candidate in elections going back years, pulled his papers Wednesday.

Councilwoman Jan Reimers, whose term also ends this year, announced last week she will not seek reelection.

Avrit said Thursday she has also received Candidate Intention Statements, which are required by the state, from Potter

and Richards, but not from Robertson. She has one on file from former Mayor Steve Dallas, who filed his form in January 2019 stating he planned to run for the same office again, but he has not pulled nominating papers yet.

Robertson, 61, was born in Scotland but came to Carmel with his family when he was a child, graduated from Carmel High and has a BS from San Diego State. He’s worked in the financial field, has long been involved in Carmel Rotary and the local business community in general, and is an avid tennis player. Robertson lives on Santa Lucia with wife Christine, and they have two adult sons, Andrew and Austin. According to Monterey County Elections, Robertson is a registered Republican who has participated in all recent elections. City offices are nonpartisan.

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Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

Luckily the business was closed

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, JULY 1

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male reported losing his checkbook.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male on Lincoln south of Seventh reported a subject took his wallet and would not return it. It was determined that subject took the wallet at the request of his family due to his deteriorating mental health, dementia and fiscal irresponsibility.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female reported she left her stroller parked at Scenic and Santa Lucia Avenue, and when she came back a couple of hours later, the stroller was gone.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Unattended \$20 bill found in the gutter on Dolores south of Sixth. The currency was placed into a temporary locker pending contact with the owner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Commercial burglary on Rio Road.

Pacific Grove: Graffiti in George Washington Park.

Pebble Beach: Deputies responded to report of suspicious circumstances on Forest Way.

Big Sur: A male said that his car was entered and items were stolen while it was parked on Highway 1.

Big Sur: Concerned friend reported a sui-

cide threat on social media.

Carmel Valley: A 28-year-old male was arrested on El Potrero for public intoxication, resisting arrest and disobeying a court order.

Carmel area: Deputies responded after report of a disturbance at a Santa Rita Street residence.

THURSDAY, JULY 2

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A traffic enforcement stop at Flanders and Highway 1 at 0133 hours for a vehicle code violation resulted in the driver, a 58-year-old male Carmel resident, being arrested for DUI. Vehicle stored.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: New renter accidentally fired a live round through the floor of his apartment at Fifth and Mission into the business located below at 0943 hours. The business was closed at the time. It was determined the discharged round was accidental.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject was given a trespass advisement from a residence on Perry Newberry Way north of Fifth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 41-year-old female caregiver was arrested at her Salinas residence and booked into Monterey County Jail on charges of felony burglary, grand theft, identity theft and check fraud, and misdemeanor theft.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Business on Lincoln south of Fifth requested that a subject be warned about trespassing.

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



The gavel falls

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

June 8 — Judge Pamela L. Butler sentenced Orlando Gonzalez Esparza, 27, a resident of Salinas, to serve two years in prison for possessing narcotics while armed with a loaded firearm.

On August 13, 2019, at approximately 1 p.m., Salinas police officers served a search warrant on Esparza's residence. As the officers approached the residence from the rear, they observed someone throw a handgun out of a bedroom window. When they entered that bedroom, officers found Esparza, along with 18 grams of methamphetamine and three 12-gauge Winchester shotgun shells. After being advised of his Miranda rights, Esparza agreed to speak with officers and admitted that he had thrown the loaded firearm out of the bedroom window.

June 15 — The Tuck Box restaurant, located in Carmel-by-the-Sea, and its owner Jeffrey Le Towt (collectively, "The Tuck Box") have agreed to a stipulated final judgment that includes payment of up to \$35,000 in civil penalties to resolve The Tuck Box's violations of state and local Covid-19 emergency health orders.

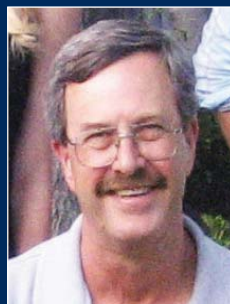
The violations included: providing dine-in restaurant service when such activity was prohibited by emergency health orders, failing to follow social distancing protocols such as maintaining six feet in between tables

inside and outside the restaurant, and employees failing to wear face coverings while working.

The stipulated final judgment also includes an injunction requiring The Tuck Box to comply with dine-in service restrictions, as well as face covering and social distancing requirements.

This settlement resolves the civil unfair competition action against The Tuck Box, as well as the criminal action filed against Jeffrey Le Towt for the same violations. The stipulated final judgment initially requires that The Tuck Box pay \$15,000 in civil penalties. To ensure future compliance with the emergency health orders, the remaining \$20,000 will become payable if The Tuck Box or its employees violate the terms of the injunction.

District Attorney Jeannine Pacioni stated, "It remains critical that individuals and businesses continue to follow the state and local Covid-19 emergency health orders. The District Attorney's Office will continue to respond to complaints regarding businesses violating the emergency health orders, including the social distancing protocols. We are all in this fight against Covid-19 together, and we must continue to look out for each other. Thank you to everyone who is doing their part."



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■ Another dog found dead

By KELLY NIX

A MONTEREY woman who refused to get treatment for her dog’s broken leg — which later had to be amputated because the injury was so severe — has been sentenced to three years’ probation after a judge found her guilty of failing to care for the animal, the Monterey County District Attorney’s Office said this week.

Following a four-day court trial, Superior Court Judge Robert Burlison ordered Josephine Guerrero, 74, to submit to welfare checks from SPCA for Monterey County officials. The poodle mix, Peanut, which has since been

taken from Guerrero, is much better now, SPCA spokeswoman Beth Brookhouser said.

“Peanut is in a loving foster home,” Brookhouser told The Pine Cone. “He has recovered from his surgery and is doing well and getting lots of love and attention.”

Prosecutors said Guerrero took the injured animal to a veterinary clinic on Feb. 14 because its leg was broken so badly that only skin was holding it together. When Guerrero said she couldn’t pay for the surgery, a veterinarian gave the animal some medication and called charities to help fund the procedure.

But the groups wouldn’t cover the surgery because they had recently paid to mend Peanut’s other leg, which had been broken only four months prior. The groups had also performed “lifesaving treatment” for Guerrero’s other dog,

Bear, when he jumped out of her car and was severely injured, the DA’s office said.

The vet called the SPCA, which sent an officer to try to convince Guerrero to surrender the dog, telling her they would treat the pup for free, but she refused. The nonprofit eventually seized Peanut, and one of its vets mended his broken leg.

Abandoned German shepherd

In an unrelated case, the SPCA said Wednesday that it is offering a \$1,000 reward leading to the arrest and conviction of those who abandoned a German shepherd, which was found dead inside a large wire crate on July 10 in the Prunedale area.

The animal had been treated for a wound on his outer left thigh and was wearing a blue medical collar used to prevent him from biting the wound when he was found. SPCA vets have performed a necropsy of the animal.

“The dog recently received veterinary treatment, so hopefully a local veterinarian will have more information about this case so we can locate the owners and determine why the poor dog was left this way, and if he was still alive when he was abandoned,” Brookhouser said.

The dog’s owners, if found, could be charged with animal cruelty, abandonment, and deprivation of food, water and shelter.

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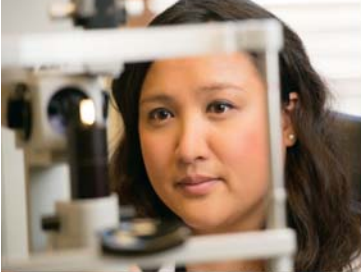
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CORRECTIONS

OUR STORY last week about **Quail Lodge** receiving a sizable PPP loan was incorrect. While the Carmel Valley resort is listed as a loan recipient in data released by the SBA, Quail Lodge general manager Kai Lermen said the company had been approved for a PPP loan but decided not to take it and never received any PPP money. “We felt that local small businesses were in greater need of the federal assistance,” Lermen said.

Last week we also incorrectly reported that a Monterey County Superior Court judge had required **Carmel Unified School District** to allow the public to comment in real time during school board meetings after a man filed a lawsuit against CUSD for only allowing written comments during the meetings. CUSD chief technology officer Paul Behan said this week that the school district had agreed to allow parents to comment at the meetings via telephone, but a judge did not require the district to do so.







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State sending ‘strike teams’ to enforce coronavirus rules

By MARY SCHLEY

WITH THE number of coronavirus infections continuing to climb in Monterey County, and the governor’s shutdown of more businesses in an effort to slow them, inspectors from several state agencies are converging in “strike teams” to ensure restaurants, stores and other public places are following the rules officials say are necessary to try to keep people safe.

“State teams have selected Monterey County because it was recently placed on the state ‘watch list’ due to exceeding health indicators,” county spokeswoman Maia Carroll warned. Inspectors from Alcohol Beverage Control, CalOSHA, California Highway Patrol, and agencies governing barbering and cosmetology, business oversight, consumer affairs, food and agriculture will be showing up unannounced to see whether employers and workers are complying. Representatives of the labor commissioner’s office and the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development will be checking, too.

Hot spots?

Carroll said they’ll be focused on businesses and sectors “that may be putting employees as well as customers at risk of exposure to Covid-19,” and while they are independent of the county, they’ll confer with local officials about “areas of concern.”

It was unclear if that meant they’d mostly be interested in Salinas and the Salinas Valley, where more than 90 percent of the county’s cases have occurred.

Yuri Anderson, chief of staff for 5th District Monterey County Supervisor Mary Adams, issued a warning to businesses Monday that ABC inspectors were out and about. Adams’ district has very few coronavirus cases.

Carmel-by-the-Sea, for example, which is home to dozens of restaurants, has fewer than five cases, according to health department data.

Nevertheless, “businesses regulated by the ABC should assume they may come to your business. They won’t necessarily announce themselves,” Anderson said. People who refuse to follow the rules for masks, social distancing, cleaning and other required measures could lose their permits. Inspectors will also follow up on any complaints they receive.

They’ll also help restaurants that need new or modified permits so they can serve alcohol outdoors, according to Anderson.

‘Improve indicators’

Carroll urged people to make sure they know what the specific rules are for their types of businesses, either by contacting the county or checking out the state’s dedicated Covid-19 website.

“The more we can reduce risk and improve our county health indicators, the sooner we can stop additional health restrictions and allow more businesses to re-open,” she said.

The shutdown of indoor dining, bars, breweries, movie theaters, card rooms, museums and other businesses last week, as well as the new order Monday shutting down hair salons and other personal care services, gyms, churches, indoor malls and offices for “non-essential sectors” — and protests — will continue for at least three weeks but could go on much longer, depending on when the state health officer decides to take Monterey County off the monitoring list.

Of the state’s 58 counties, 30 were on the list as of Monday, when the governor also closed bars, dine-in restaurants, family entertainment centers, movie theaters, zoos, museums and card rooms statewide.

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Peninsula water board member will face challenger Nov. 3

By KELLY NIX

GARY HOFFMANN, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District board member who represents the Carmel area, announced this week he will run for reelection in November, while a woman who supports the government takeover of California American Water officially kicked off her campaign to unseat him.

Hoffmann told The Pine Cone Monday that he intends to file paperwork to continue to serve on the District 5 seat, which also includes Carmel Valley, but Amy Anderson, a proponent of government-owned water systems, wants his spot.

“I am not surprised that the Measure J advocates are interested in the Division 5 seat on the board,” Hoffmann told The Pine Cone this week after learning of Anderson’s candidacy.

In November 2018, Peninsula voters approved a measure that directed the water district to take over Cal Am if it was to be “financially feasible.” Consultants hired by the water district are working to determine that.

Though Hoffmann has been opposed to public ownership of Cal Am’s system on the Peninsula, he said he would wait until he could thoroughly review the final feasibility report before he makes a “fact-based determination” on whether public ownership is “is appropriate and in the best interest of the communities.”

“I believe it is my responsibility and obligation to use my 30-plus years of professional engineering experience as a state water regulator and as a water utility general manager to objectively evaluate whether public ownership and operation by the MPWMD is the right thing to do for our communities,” Hoffmann said.

Cal Am has repeatedly said it is not for sale and would fight efforts — which could

amount to years of court litigation and millions of dollars in legal fees — to acquire the company.

Hoffmann was appointed to the board in 2018 after director Bob Brower, who was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, had to step down to focus on his health. Hoffmann’s term ends in November.

‘Cost effective’

Anderson, who said 87 percent of the country’s water systems are publicly owned and operated, and should also be on the Monterey Peninsula, volunteered for the Measure J campaign.

“Public ownership has proved itself over decades as the most cost-effective way to run a water system,” Anderson, the artistic and education director for Chamber Music Monterey, told The Pine Cone. “I believe that a community is much better able to determine its own future water needs than a private — for-profit — corporation from outside the community.”

Anderson said that for the past three years, she’s attended and spoken at water board meetings “to deepen my understanding of MPWMD’s position in our community.”

“I decided earlier this year that it was time to play a more active role,” said Anderson, who has a PhD in marine biology.

She notes that a preliminary analysis by the water district, which estimated it could cost \$513 million to acquire Cal Am, “appears to be professional and thorough.”

Cal Am disputes the cost analysis and said the company is worth more than \$1 billion.

“Whatever the final cost, this has to be affordable to ratepayers and in the public interest to make it feasible,” she said.

If elected, Anderson would join a ma-

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Commission again delays vote on removal of hated eucalyptus

By MARY SCHLEY

SO THAT she can't take her case to the city council — at least, not yet — the forest and beach commission last week asked San Antonio Avenue resident Laura Overett to submit a landscape plan to replace the 17 huge eucalyptus she wants to cut down on the west side of her large property and the 27 she removed on the east side last year.

Last month, the forest and beach commission considered Overett's request to take out the 170-year-old, 150-foot-tall, non-native trees because they could fall and they negatively affect the nearby North Dunes habitat. The trees are also highly flammable, and their dead leaves make the ground below uninhabitable for native plants and trees.

But the forest and beach commission didn't vote on her application, instead asking to see the landscape plan first. Commissioners were also largely critical of the removal of the first 27, which they tried to stop but the city council OK'd, and they disagreed with city forester Sara Davis' recommendation that the remaining 17 be cut down.

"I want to table this again. Ms. Overett will not get to go to city council, because I would prefer not to make a decision until we see a real plan," commission chair Mike Caddell said at the July 9 meeting.

'An eyesore'

Davis described the existing landscape plan calling for 15 trees on the 1.47-acre property: three madrones (a native tree) in 15-gallon pots, four Monterey cypress in 15-gallon pots and eight coast live oaks in 5-gallon pots. In addition, she noted, a dozen oaks have sprouted naturally in the area where the eucalyptus were cut down last year.

The city forester also listed several problems with the remaining eucalyptus, including fungal infections, wounds and oozing, that are threatening their health and increasing their likelihood of failure, though she said her measurements indicate the tallest is only 92 feet and would not hit Overett's house if it fell.

Davis recommended approving the landscape plan, saying that although so many trees are being removed, the property can only support 15 or so new ones, which will need more space to thrive.

Overett is paying a fee to the city's reforestation fund, as well, and said she would support restoration efforts in the North Dunes area.

At last week's meeting, she made an impassioned argument for cutting down the trees on the property her family has owned for nearly five decades.

"Last month, you expressed the opinion that by removing the upper grove, I left you with an eyesore on my property and the unsightly telephone poles, and you are concerned this will happen with the lower grove," she said. "I feel compelled to respond, because it brings my stewardship of this property into question."

Nearby residents are paying to remove the poles and underground the utilities, she said, and she is working to replant. "The weeds took over the property as landscapers

were unable to work," due to Covid-19, she said, "and I didn't have the final signature on the dotted line from the city council." She has since planted 11 of the 15 trees, as well as two cherry trees and an additional madrone.

She also mentioned paying to plant, irrigate and maintain native plants along San Antonio after the new walking path was installed before the U.S. Open in 2010, and paying her landscaping crew to remove Acacia, which is also bad for native habitat.

"To think I would intentionally leave you with an eyesore is a bit disheartening," she said. "Replanting takes time. Soil improvements take time."

Finally, she pointed out, the city recently spent thousands of dollars to remove eucalyptus from Mission Trail park "for no other reason than that they were non-native," and years ago took out all the eucalyptus lining Fourth Avenue.

"Now the city has the opportunity to be rid of 17 eucalyptus encroaching on their native dunes at no cost to the city," she said.

'A travesty'

Karen Ferlito said the landscape plan should include more than 15 trees and that they should be larger, not little oaks in 5-gallon pots that will take decades to grow to any meaningful size.

Biologist Joey Canepa, who has been working on the North Dunes project, said she's been conferring with Overett on the best native plants to have on her property after the eucalyptus are removed, and she encouraged the commission to vote in favor of the removal and the existing landscape plan, which could be refined after the 17 trees are cut down.

A couple sent an email opposing removing the grove because they think eucalyptus trees are pretty, are habitat for birds and other creatures, and remove carbon from the air.

Commissioner Al Saroyan launched in, saying he was "totally appalled" that after the first grove was removed, "no one has done anything to mitigate the damage done to the wildlife and birds that have lived there for 150 years."

"That area that's been deforested looks more like the Sahara desert than a Carmel property," he said. "It's just a travesty that it's been allowed to wholesale mow down all those trees, and now we want to mow down another 17 more."

He said "a lot of people in our community" are "very

unhappy about what has happened," and he strongly disagreed the property could only support 15 trees.

"I would like to give the owner a chance to bring us a plan we can really get behind," commissioner JC Myers said.

Caddell again called the property an "eyesore" and recounted the city council's decision to overturn the commission's ruling on Overett's request to cut down the first 27 eucalyptus.

Speculating Overett would again win on appeal, he said, "I wonder if it might be wiser for us to weigh in now and require a plan for replanting that is more robust than what we got the last time."

"It's inexplicable to me we could have 44 eucalyptus that live there for 170 years and get 150 feet tall and then have the forester say there's only room for 15 trees, a third of which are madrones," Caddell said. "That does not compute for me."

Commissioner Sarah Berling said it would be unfair to "hold her hostage until she comes up with something that pleases us," and that the commission should just vote on her application, but Myers said the commission has the "right to request a full landscaping plan," and commissioners voted 3-1 to again put off the decision, in hopes of getting a landscape plan from Overett that they like.

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Coastal Commission says ‘no’ to basements on Carmel Point

By CHRIS COUNTS

DESPITE TESTIMONY by a Native American tribal monitor and an archaeologist that three proposed basements on Carmel Point would not harm any human remains or cultural artifacts, the California Coastal Commission voted 10 to 1 Thursday to overturn the county’s approval of those basements.

Representing the property owners — who include Chris and Courtney Adamski and Pietro Family Investments of San Francisco — attorney Tony Lombardo insisted there is no evidence of Native American burials on any of the three sites.

“We believe that the evidence is irrefutable, and there are no resources here that would be disturbed,” Lombardo told commissioners. “We do not believe there is any basis to deny these applicants basements.”

Will burials be harmed?

But attorney Molly Erickson, who is representing a group of residents called Save Carmel Point Cultural Resources, said the burden is on builders to prove they won’t damage any resources — something she said they haven’t done. “Basements are not consistent with Local Coastal Program policies that require avoidance, protection and redesign,” she countered.

Defending Erickson’s position was coastal commission planner Mike Watson, who declared that builders can’t

prove “with absolute certainty” their work “will not impact these resources.” He also said land use policies favor playing it safe. “Land alteration must be minimized, and such resources be avoided,” he said.

Watson also discounted ground-penetrating radar analysis of the sites that was paid for by the builders.

“Based on staff’s discussions with the manufacturer of the radar equipment used ... it is not possible to say with certainty whether or not tribal resources may or may not be found beneath the surface of these sites, particularly at such depths,” Watson added.

Besides bringing into the open the strong anti-development sentiments on Carmel Point, the hearing also laid bare the confusion that exists in Monterey County over who represents the Native Americans who live here.

Louise Miranda Ramirez, the tribal chairwoman of the Ohlone Costanoan Esselen Nation, spoke out against basements.

“We need your help to protect our ancestors,” Ramirez told commissioners. “Allowing new basements is not consistent with protecting archeological and tribal cultural resources.”

Ramirez also declared the neighborhood “a sacred site.”

But Tom Little Bear Nason, the chairman of the Esselen Tribe of Monterey County, pushed back against the claim. “There is no evidence of any burial in the area,” Nason responded.

Nason also asked why his group was never contacted

about the last week’s hearing.

“There are eight different groups in this area that represent indigenous ancestors to this site, and we want to make sure all the voices are heard,” he said. “We must be listened to — please take into account everybody’s opinion.”

Archaeologist Susan Morley, meanwhile, defended the work she and others did that concluded the basements wouldn’t disrupt any burials. “Carmel Point is not a cemetery,” Morley insisted.

Archaeologist Brenna Wheelis testified that ground-penetrating radar analysis can detect a burial, and archeologist Evan Tudor Elliott suggested that “there’s no sign within these parcels” that suggests “a significant archaeological site” exists.

Along with public comments, the coastal commission received a number of letters, including correspondence opposed to the basements from Supervisor Mary Adams, who represents Carmel Point, and former state senator Bill Monning. “I believe there is a moral imperative for the policies of the coastal commission to acknowledge the documented subjugation of the Native American tribes in California, and the historic and cultural importance of respecting the remains of Native Americans known to be located in the Carmel Point area,” Monning wrote.

Lots of talk, little discussion

After public comments were made and Lombardo had a chance to respond to them, coastal commission planner Dan Carl made his case against basements, and said there’s no policy “entitling” a homeowner to one. He also derided the size of the basements, and compared them to “small homes,” noting that they range in size from 1,300 square feet to 2,400 square feet.

“This area has been demonstrated to be rich in cultural resources,” Carl said. “We can’t say with 100 percent certainty that these excavations won’t lead to adverse impacts.”

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‘Con artist’ family must pay \$1 million in legal fees, AG says

By KELLY NIX

A FRESNO family accused two years ago by the California Attorney General of illegally soliciting charitable donations under the pretext of helping wounded military veterans will be required to pay \$1 million in state legal fees on top of the \$8.8 million it’s already been ordered to pay, the state AG’s office told The Pine Cone.

Following a civil trial in Alameda County Superior Court in August 2018, a jury determined that the attorney general’s claims against Matthew G. Gregory, and his son, Matthew J. Gregory, were true, and that they had used misleading and deceptive fundraising practices in running unlawful charity raffles in California.

Jurors also found that the elder Gregory’s wife, Danella, and daughter, Gina, had unjustly enriched themselves in the scheme.

The family used a Carmel post office box to raise money through its charities to establish a therapeutic horse riding program for veterans in Carmel Valley. But Attorney General Xavier Becerra, who called the family “con artists” in a 2018 news release, said the charities were fake, and the jury found they failed to use the money to help veterans.

Instead, prosecutors said, family members spent the donations on dining, traveling, paying off credit card debt, and shopping, including at Victoria’s Secret.

On top of the nearly \$9 million the Alameda County jury said the family members should pay, a spokesperson from the attorney general’s office told The Pine Cone that it is now seeking an additional \$1 mil-

lion from them.

“Our office recently received the amended judgment from the court that includes our attorneys’ fees, raising the total to \$9.9 million,” the spokesperson said. “We are taking proactive steps to record the judgment in various counties in the state in our efforts to collect payment.”

The Gregory family has not paid anything toward the \$8.8 million judgment, but the spokesperson said there is nothing that precludes it from doing so.

Once the judgment for the attorneys’ fees is filed, “failure to make voluntary payments will result in the establishment of a collection procedure,” the attorney general’s office said.

Many things owed

Gina Gregory — who is also a lawyer — did not respond to several questions from The Pine Cone. In 2018, she represented her father in a \$20 million lawsuit against The Pine Cone claiming the newspaper had defamed him when it reported the attorney general’s allegations.

Under California’s defamation laws, the claim was absurd, and a Fresno County Superior Court judge tossed the complaint and ordered the family to pay most of The Pine Cone’s \$19,000 in legal fees. The family has not paid anything.

Later that same year, in considering the attorney general’s accusations, a jury found that family members acted illegally a total of 3,430 times.

Gina Gregory was also found to have aided and abetted a breach of duty and of “deceptive and misleading solicitation” related to the fundraising operation.



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Carmel Unified grapples with planning while private schools are ready to go

By MARY SCHLEY

AS CARMEL Unified School District administrators are determining how best to offer classes when they resume next month — a plan is set to be considered by the district’s board of education at its July 22 meeting — several private schools on the Monterey Peninsula are prepared to welcome kids back to class.

Meg Bradley, head of school for Santa Catalina’s lower/middle and high schools, acknowledged that the coronavirus pandemic continues to bring unprecedented changes on almost a daily basis but said her schools are planning to reopen to students five days a week in the fall.

“We have new policies for operations, new protocols for students, and every piece about how we’re going to open is about safety,” she said, from student check-ins, to plexiglass partitions, to holding classes outside and keeping all of them small. Current enrollment is around 450.

It’s also about flexibility, she noted. “Early on, we elected to allow families to have a choice,” she said, regarding whether they want to continue distance learning or come to class. “We ramped up our technology schoolwide.” Every teacher was given

funds so they could take courses and learn more about high-tech teaching over the summer, and many had already undergone extensive training before the shutdown made it the only way to teach.

Sara Brown, assistant head of All Saints’ Day School, said her campus is also planning to return five days a week, starting in August. “Due to our large campus, ancillary buildings, large classrooms, outdoor learning spaces, etc., we’re very fortunate in that we can make school happen within the state and county guidelines,” she said. “It will require a lot of creativity, but we’re up to the task.”

How many can fit?

She and the faculty spent considerable time working on their academic schedules and staging classrooms to determine how many students could fit in each while safely distancing from each other. All Saints’ has around 175 students.

Administrators at Stevenson’s lower/middle and high schools also concluded they will be able to welcome students back for full-time instruction, while also acknowledging that changing conditions might demand an alternative course, according to Dr. Dan Griffiths, head of the

upper school.

Modifications at Stevenson include the requisite social distancing, masks and sanitizing, of course, and everything is outlined in a 30-page handbook that was distributed to faculty, staff and parents late last week. While some schools, including CUSD, have not changed their calendars, Stevenson pushed its start date to Sept. 8 and will now end the school year late next June. To minimize travel for boarding students, the high school “will pivot to remote learning” from late November to mid-January, and fall athletics are still TBD.

In addition, teachers are “developing curricula that will allow our students to toggle effortlessly, as needed, among on-campus, remote, and hybrid learning,” while IT staff is equipping classrooms and new instructional spaces with everything students need in order to learn, whether they’re there or at home on the other side of the globe.

“It is important to acknowledge that the state and/or county may issue orders in the next few days or weeks that effectively preclude all schools’ return to campus instruction in any form during the fall semester,” Stevenson President Kevin Hicks said in an email July 9. “If this is the case, or if we conclude — absent such orders — that we cannot reasonably protect our students’ and employees’ safely, we will work together to ensure that our students’ Stevenson remote experience is as nourishing, rigorous and joyful as it can be.”

Griffiths said he felt distance learning was a success during the spring at Stevenson, and he was impressed with teachers’ and students’ efforts and accomplishments.

At a virtual town hall meeting Wednesday night, acting CUSD superintendent Trisha Dellis said administrators are considering the best ways to accommodate students next month, whether through distance learning or a hybrid model that includes some on-campus instruction on certain days of the week and learning from

home on others. She plans to take a proposal to the board for a vote at its July 22 meeting.

Dellis said she does not anticipate everyone returning to class anytime soon, especially since Carmel Unified is a large district with numerous campuses and high enrollment.

“A full return is everyone’s preferred outcome. This is what we do every year, and we’re really good at it,” she said. “I obviously don’t see that happening with our current situation in Monterey County.”

Awake at night

While private schools already had access and experience with a lot of educational technology in the classroom, making their experiences switching to distance learning somewhat easier, CUSD teachers had to learn on the fly and figure out how to manage, sometimes with little, as did their students. The overwhelming feeling was that distance learning during the spring was largely flawed for many students, but administrators said remote learning in the fall would be entirely different.

With a lot of training, new technology, more experience and more time to plan, River School principal Jay Marden said, “I think it’s going to look much different than what we had in the spring, and it will be high quality.”

Toward the end of the town hall, during which parents asked questions on multiple topics, including masks, athletics and other issues, Dellis issued a sobering reminder.

“Why we’re not sleeping is we’re all lying here at night thinking, ‘What happens if one of our staff members or one of their children or a parent catches this and is sick or in the hospital or, heaven forbid, dies?’” she said. “That’s how high the stakes are right now. It’s unbelievable we are in this situation.”

“If we bring people back on the campuses,” she continued, “there’s no guarantee that we’re not going to expose people.”

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Big Sur group wants crackdown on illegal camping

By CHRIS COUNTS

HOW PREVALENT are camping and campfires in parts of Big Sur where they're not allowed? According a Big Sur residents group, on holiday weekends, the problem is much worse than previously reported.

A survey counted 57 illegal campfires along public dirt roads on Big Sur's South Coast over the July 4 weekend — at a time when fire restrictions were in effect and campfires were banned outside of developed campgrounds.

Eight locals — all members of the Community Association of Big Sur — recently dedicated three days to understanding the size of the problem and documenting it.

“Over the July 4 weekend, we conducted a detailed survey of illegal roadside camping from Mal Paso Canyon to the Monterey County line, and illegal campfire activity,” reported Butch Kronlund, the executive director of the res-

idents group.

After visiting sites and talking to campers, the group reported its findings:

Over the three days, they tallied 57 illegal campfires on the South Coast Ridge, Plaskett Ridge and Los Burros roads, along with 198 illegal roadside campers.

While the survey was underway, volunteers from Big Sur Fire also helped put out illegal fires along the South Coast Ridge Road.

“Our patrols successfully engaged with campers at the dispersed camping areas on the South Coast, extinguishing seven campfires and preventing six more from being started,” Chief Matt Harris reported.

‘Slap a ticket’

Residents have long called for a crackdown on illegal camping in Big Sur — in large part because the of the enormous risk illegal campfires pose in such a fire-prone region.

Increasing fines would help deter illegal activities and raise money for agencies, Kronlund suggested. And he said it should be easier than it is for someone in law enforcement to write tickets for illegal camping.

“Right now, the sheriff has to wake people up, and there has to be an interview,” he explained. “The sheriff should be able to simply verify if someone is sleeping and slap a ticket on the windshield.”

Kronlund also suggested that law enforcement launch coordinated “blitzes” on illegal activity.

Andrew Madsen of the forest service conceded that the federal agency’s limited budget makes it difficult to patrol all the land it manages in Big Sur and monitor illegal camping activity. He said fixing the problem will not only require considerable cooperation between agencies and residents, but “out-of-the-box” solutions.

Olive farmers file suit

By KELLY NIX

OWNERS OF a South Monterey County olive orchard allege in a lawsuit filed last week that light poles on a neighbor’s property that were struck by power lines during strong winds caused a large wildfire that destroyed 500 of their olive trees.

In a July 6 lawsuit, Dean, Dan and Dror Kahan say that on July 8, 2017, high winds and temperatures caused a power line to blow into a light pole on land owned by Jennifer Hodges and fall to the ground.

“The energized conductor ignited dried vegetation and annual grasses when it landed, leading to a brush fire which spread into a large wildfire known as the Parkfield Fire,” their complaint alleges.

The blaze burned a large portion of the olive farmers’ land, including 500 olive trees, irrigation lines and equipment, fences and other tree species, including oaks, the Kahans allege. Their 40-acre property abuts Hodges’ land, they say. The cost of the damage exceeded \$1 million.

“The 2017 olive crop was tainted by the smoke and rendered worthless,” the suit says.

The lawsuit names as defendants, PG&E, which installed the power lines, Hodges, and a construction company that helped install the electrical lines, and claims they were negligent because the light poles were placed too close to the PG&E service lines. While the suit acknowledges that a previous owner of the property installed the lights, the lawsuit claims Hodges is responsible for them.

The defendants are also accused of trespassing because of an “invasion of fire and smoke” onto the Kahan land.”

The Parkfield Fire, according to Cal Fire, began July 8, 2017 and was extinguished after it had burned 1,816 acres in Monterey and San Luis Obispo counties. The agency lists the cause of the blaze on its website as “unknown.”

PATROLS

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Tomasi and his officers have been “doing our best to educate first and gain compliance before resorting to citations,” he said. “Many more citations could have been written this past weekend for violations on the beach.”

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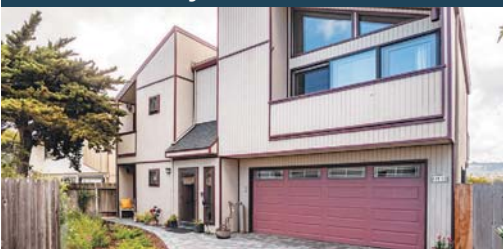
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Resident volunteers pitch in to keep cash-strapped city pretty

By MARY SCHLEY

A MAN who lives in town hates the invasive weeds that can injure pets with their sharp seeds that work their way into ears, noses and toes, so when he saw patches of them growing along the Scenic road pathway, he paid his gardeners to pull them out. Another noticed the dilapidated enclosure around equipment outside Sunset Center and worked to build a new one that looks like a tiny Comstock cottage.

The benches at the Forest Theater needed refinishing. The North Dunes have invasive weeds to pull. Tons of ivy has to come out of Mission Trail park... the jobs are endless, but the money to do them is not, and residents are stepping up to help get

them done, city officials said this week.

The recent efforts started a couple of months ago with Lee Cox. "I walk my dog every day along the Scenic pathway, and for weeks I'd been noticing all the foxtails and other weeds that have run rampant on both sides of the trail," he said. "The city, as you know, is short on cash and people, and did not have the time to clean that up."

It was a matter of some urgency for Cox.

"I had a dog many years ago that got one in her paw, and it required surgery and it was very difficult," he said.

So he talked to the company that handles gardening at his home, Town & Country, and city forester Sara Davis, and got the OK to have a crew tackle the task. It took three people working several hours a day for six days to remove the weeds, which Cox asked them to pull, instead of cutting, which he believed would just make them grow back more quickly.

Hoping for help

The hourly rate for each of the three gardeners was \$30, and when some of Cox's friends heard he was footing the bill for the work, they offered to help, too.

"I hope that people who live here and love it like I do will help out in this time of need," he said. "I love Carmel, I love Scenic, I love walking with my dog — and I hate foxtails."

City administrator Chip Rerig thanked Cox for his help and generosity. "In these times of budget constraints, it takes the entire community to come together and support the landscapes we all love so much," he said.

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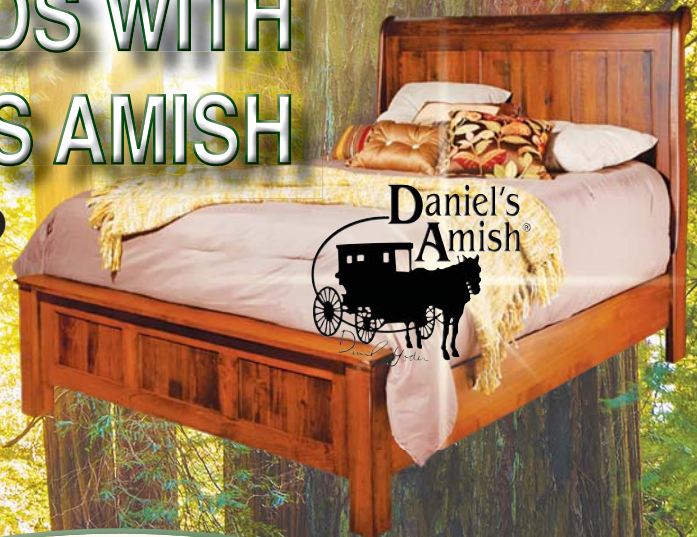
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Ben Heinrich, whose Heinrich Team is part of Coldwell Banker Del Monte Realty, commented. “I’m not sure what it is, but we started seeing, interestingly enough, many families with kids coming to the area.”

He said business in the last six weeks for his team is 300 percent higher than what it was a year ago.

“I think after a couple of months of hunkering down,” independent realtor Cheryl Heyermann said, people are wanting to make significant positive changes. “They are reinventing their lives because they have an opportunity to do that, and this area is a unique gem — and there’s not much of it.”

More full-timers

All three said they have been working with a lot of people from Silicon Valley and the greater San Francisco Bay area, many of whom have realized while sheltering in place that they can telecommute from anywhere — and would really like to telecommute from a home outside the city.

“They are putting offices in their homes. The whole pandemic has really inspired that aspect of the business,” Mitchell said, as buyers are seeking a quality of life that gets them out of traffic and into the outdoors.

And with that increase in full-time residents, he said, will be more business for local merchants.

“I think these new owners are going to be a strong demographic,” he said. “We always encourage people to buy locally.”

Heinrich and Heyermann reported seeing increased interest from successful young couples with children.

“Many of them are in the tech business, and I think many of them are thinking about where they want to raise their kids,” Heinrich said. Those families have gravitated toward larger Carmel Valley properties, “and certainly they’re all aware of the

Carmel Unified School District, which is so good.”

The realtors also reported handling a lot of cash sales and said their escrows have been relatively short. Mitchell’s Carmel Realty and Monterey Coast Realty — which focuses on real estate in areas like Pacific Grove, Seaside and Marina, and has seen its sales volume double — have about 80 to 85 agents total, and they have 60 properties in escrow.

“Almost all of those are closing in July,” he said.

Sales are also across a range of prices, Mitchell said, and while not many homes in the \$20 million range have sold lately, he’s seeing more interest. “We haven’t seen many people pull the trigger on that,” he said. “But we will.”

Heyermann pointed out that inventories are fairly low, with 39 homes for sale in Carmel and Carmel Point, and nearly 40 in escrow in those areas, and 38 houses listed in Carmel Valley, with nearly as many in escrow.

“We’re going to see another month-over-month increase,” she predicted.

Tech tools

Unlike other industries that had to suddenly adapt to relying on a virtual world to conduct business, the real estate sector has taken advantage of technology for years. People can now view homes in person, following strict safety protocols, but some deals have closed without the buyers setting foot in the homes at all, thanks to great photos, videos and marketing.

“The real estate industry has really used tech for many, many years, but now we are absolutely relying on it,” Heinrich said. “In one case, we had a multi-multi-multimillion-dollar property, and all they did was look at the videos and pictures, and they sent some friends to look at the home.”

The buyers, who live in Europe, bought their Big Sur house without seeing it in person.

“So there’s your example of the need for great videos and photos,” he said. “And they see the ads in The Pine Cone.”

LandWatch, CVA oppose CEQA changes

By CHRIS COUNTS

DEVELOPERS HAVE long argued that the California Environmental Quality Act results in needless expenses and delays that can torpedo a project — often regardless of its merits.

In response, assemblywoman Laura Friedman, who represents Glendale, Burbank and parts of Los Angeles, has introduced a bill — AB 3279 — that would allow, according to proponents, “more housing and other land use projects to be built with less unnecessary delays.” Some say such legislation is necessary due to California’s acute housing shortage and the onerous requirements of CEQA .

But the bill has drawn fire from environmental groups, whose leaders claim CEQA is a necessary tool to protect the environ-

ment from harmful projects, and the bill will gut it. They said it will make it harder for the poor and those who represent them to mount legal challenges. “CEQA is under attack!” warned an article posted recently in the Carmel Valley Association’s weekly email newsletter.

LandWatch Monterey County executive director Mike Delapa said if AB 3279 is approved by voters, it would be much more difficult for his group to challenge projects in court.

“If it were to pass, it would severely constrain what public interest organizations can do to advocate for smart growth,” Delapa told The Pine Cone. “It would make it easier for bad projects to get through, and it would result in a loss of the public’s abili-

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SHUTDOWN

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— although the increase has slowed down in the last few days.

Fifth District Monterey County Supervisor Mary Adams told her colleagues Tuesday morning that the news that businesses would have to close again “was very difficult for all of us, particularly difficult for the business owners and the workers.”

“Everyone is really keeping an eye on things and I think putting on the best face they possibly can.”

Cause for concern

According to county health officials, there is some reason to be worried about the county’s figures.

In summarizing Monterey County’s coronavirus data, epidemiologist Kristy Michie told supervisors Tuesday there had been 270 cases per 100,000 people. As of Thursday, there were 2,983 cases of infection with coronavirus had been confirmed in the county.

“To put our current situation into a little perspective, about 40 percent of the new cases have occurred in the last two weeks,” Michie explained. “So we are really at a point where things are accelerating in Monterey County.”

And the positivity rate of those tested in the county has also increased. “We have seen quite a bit of household transmissions, so some our increase in positivity rate is due to those contact investigations and screening among households,” Michie said.

Another warning sign was that about half of the county’s skilled nursing facilities have reported at least one virus case among staff or residents in the past 14 days, though Michie said some of those positive cases could be

due to nursing facilities doing more testing of patients and staff even if they don’t have any symptoms.

But Carmel Chamber of Commerce CEO Jenny MacMurdo sounded a warning about the latest shutdown, saying it’s had a “somber effect on morale” in the city’s business community and warning that the “uncertainty in the future weighs heavily on their financial resilience and, even more importantly, their employee’s livelihoods.”

Moe Ammar, head of the chamber of commerce in Pacific Grove, was even more gloomy, saying the shutdown has “been devastating for all the business segments, especially health, beauty, gyms and workout studios.” He also said the second closure will “without a doubt permanently shut down few businesses.”

Where will they go?

As the surge of cases and hospitalizations in the county rises, officials have not identified an alternative care site to house patients if hospitals are overrun with virus patients. The county had planned to use an airplane hangar at the Marina airport as a makeshift hospital in the event other facilities were overrun, but the idea was canceled when the number of cases was still relatively low in the county.

County office of emergency services manager Gerry Malais told The Pine Cone last week that while the county has not found a treatment site, “planning is still in progress.”

To slow the spread of the virus, which is mostly happening in Salinas and the Salinas Valley, Moreno told the supervisors Tuesday that the health department and the county would continue with education and outreach efforts, including new billboards, radio and TV spots and social media efforts.

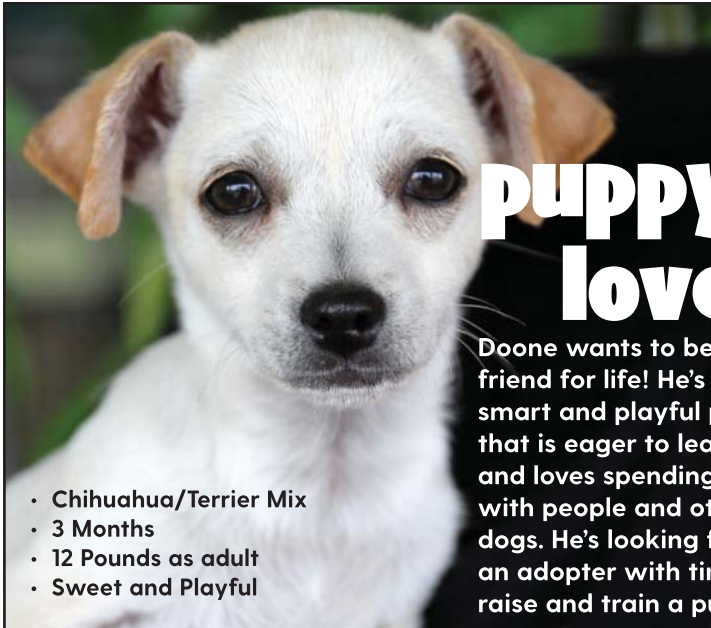
Moreno also said officials would conduct field visits to businesses to educate owners and managers on how to comply with the orders and promote safety measures.

‘Work with us’

District Three Supervisor Chris Lopez complained that the state did not give Monterey County enough time to prepare for the new closures and accused officials of not “sharing communication.” He asked that Gov. Gavin Newsom and others give the county more of a heads-up before announcing sweeping changes to the county.

“I do want to make sure that we continue to implore our state representatives and our governor to work with us to help get this information out into the community in a timely manner, because businesses cannot pivot on a dime,” Lopez said.

An example of the apparent disconnect between state and local officials played out during a July 6 conference call with the media when Moreno and other county officials learned from a local reporter — not from state officials beforehand — that Monterey County was being forced to reclose bars and pubs and other business sectors.



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Margo Raymond Phillips

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Margo Raymond Phillips died on June 30th, 2020, at Angelica’s Villa in Seaside, California after a long struggle with Lewy Body Dementia.

Born Margo Ann Raymond on September 22, 1939, in Medina, New York, she was the youngest of three children of Charles and Esther Raymond.



Margo attended Medina High School, where she played clarinet in the marching band and was a synchronized swimmer. She went on to earn her Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education at SUNY in Brockport, New York. While visiting her sister and brother-in-law in Hof, Germany, she met and married Edward Dalton who was in the US Air Force training as a surgeon. They had three children together, Gregory, Julie, and Brian, and settled in Carmel, California in 1969.

As a divorced single mother in 1974, Margo became a multicultural specialist for the North Monterey County School District. She was ahead of her time in educating about ethnic diversity and tolerance. She spent the remainder of her career teaching kindergarten, bringing guidance and joy to hundreds of children. Margo was remarkable in her love for children. She believed in the magic of childhood and was playful and affectionate.

When her own children were young, Margo would take them on adventures – making sand candles and cooking dinner on the beach and taking them on fishing and camping trips. She once leased their Carmel house out to Bach Festival musicians, rented a Winnebago, and set off on a month-long camping trip winding up the Western Coast with her three children. The “cool mom” who always welcomed her children’s friends, she opened her heart and home to everyone and her extended family included people from all walks of life. In 1976 she sponsored a Vietnamese refugee couple, Hung and Anh Phan, who lived in her home for over a year, had their first child while there, and remained close family friends. Hers was a home where people felt welcome.

In 1978 she met jazz pianist Bob Phillips and they were married on Carmel Beach in 1989. They had a very loving marriage filled with kindness, patience and lots of music. Margo loved having her home filled with music and being part of the local jazz community. The great love of her life, Bob was unwaveringly devoted and attentive until her very last breath.

Margo’s loved ones remember her as kind, patient, thoughtful, and creative. She was a talented watercolorist and studied with gifted artists including Nancy Johnson and Sam Colburn. She sought to grow as a person, practiced Siddha Yoga, and attended Pacific Coast Church where she, of course, was the volunteer teacher of the children’s program for many years. She had a great sense of humor and a freeness of spirit that allowed others to be themselves.

Margo is predeceased by her parents Charles and Esther Raymond, her sister Marilyn (Paul) and her brother Robert. She is survived by her husband Bob, her children Greg (Lucia), Julie, and Brian (Alicia), and her two grandchildren, Kai and Claire Dalton.

She profoundly touched many lives and will be greatly missed.

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He also detailed numerous sanitation measures being taken, including frequent cleaning, a commercial service doing routine sanitizing of the whole jail, requiring masks, checking temperatures, and minimizing trips to the courthouse.

The mother of one of the infected inmates said she works in healthcare and is concerned the measures taken in the jail aren’t going far enough. Deirdre Heron’s 31-year-old son, Ryley Chaffeur, has been in jail since August 2019 for felony first-degree burglary and several misdemeanor drug charges, and has been experiencing “congestion, headache, cough, night-sweats and loss of taste” as of earlier this week, according to Herron.

“I work in the medical field at Kaiser Permanente Washington, and I feel there are conditions in the jail that are unsanitary and reckless for spreading infection and disease such as Covid-19,” she said. “I am also concerned about the inmates being

able to recover well with the lack of safe, available fluids.”

She said inmates have to share a drinking fountain and taps in the bathroom, and have to pay for coffee, tea and other liquids.

“These may be criminals or men who have made mistakes in their lives, many addicted to drugs or alcohol, but they are still human beings and have the basic right to safe drinking water,” she said. “And with Covid infecting the jail, additional liquids like tea, etc., should be provided at no charge.”

Herron said she reached out to the jail ombudsman and learned that Gatorade is now available to the inmates — which Thornburg also mentioned — but she asked officials to place a water cooler in the dorm, too, and to make other beverages available. “It would make a huge difference in their suffering and recovery,” she said.

Thornburg noted that the jail has full-time medical staff overseen by an infectious disease specialist, and that the housing units are cleaned three times a day. “We leave cleaning supplies for the inmates to clean more if they choose,” he added.



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His last years challenging, ill health his burden, the zest intact, the body not. The youngest of his grandchildren, eleven—two of them greats, two of them bonus—will remember him as sedentary and sometimes short-tempered—as an old man who loved popcorn, movies, reminiscing. The older ones will share the stories of the happy events he created at the family barn in Corral de Tierra and at Lake Pillsbury—site of some of his many daring feats. His children, three, carry his before nature: hard working, affable, honest. Loving. He invented himself as a father—modeling himself after the many he met on the journey to grown-up. His daddy-ness included a passel of childhood friends of his daughters and son. To them, he was Mr. A.

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Barbara Ogilvie Butler

April 21, 1921 - May 29, 2020

On Friday May 29, 2020, Barbara Ogilvie Butler passed away peacefully at age 99. Her daughter Theresa and her two granddaughters Laura and Lisa were at her side. Barbara was a native Californian and lived a full and active life in Central and Northern California. Barbara Ogilvie was born in Lindsay, CA. For almost fifty years, Barbara lived with her family in Modesto. She retired and moved to the City of Carmel-by-the Sea, where she lived for twenty-two years.

Barbara graduated from Piedmont High School. She attended the College of the Holy Names in Oakland, where she studied voice and music. She received her BA in Education and Teaching Credential from San Francisco State College. Barbara sang in church choirs and for friends weddings. She took advanced voice lessons at the University of the Pacific. Barbara taught elementary school in the Modesto area. Barbara was very active in local clubs and organizations. She was a member of the following: Modesto Garden Club, Modesto Camellia Society, The National Camellia Society, Central California Art League, and Women’s Progressive Club. She was a past member of the Estrellita Chapter No 541 of the Order of the Eastern Star. She was a member of the Carmel Residents Association and the Carmel Foundation.

Barbara was an artist, a sculptor, a teacher, and a musician. She especially enjoyed her garden and raising camellias. She was a master gardener, and loved having friends and family visit her to see all the plants that she was cultivating. Barbara started writing poetry in her later years. She would create hand-printed books of poems to give out at holiday time. Barbara particularly loved the Friday night movie group at Norton Court in Carmel. It was one of her weekly social treats. Whether it was singing, sculpting, creating collages and paintings, or writing poetry, Barbara enjoyed life to its fullest.

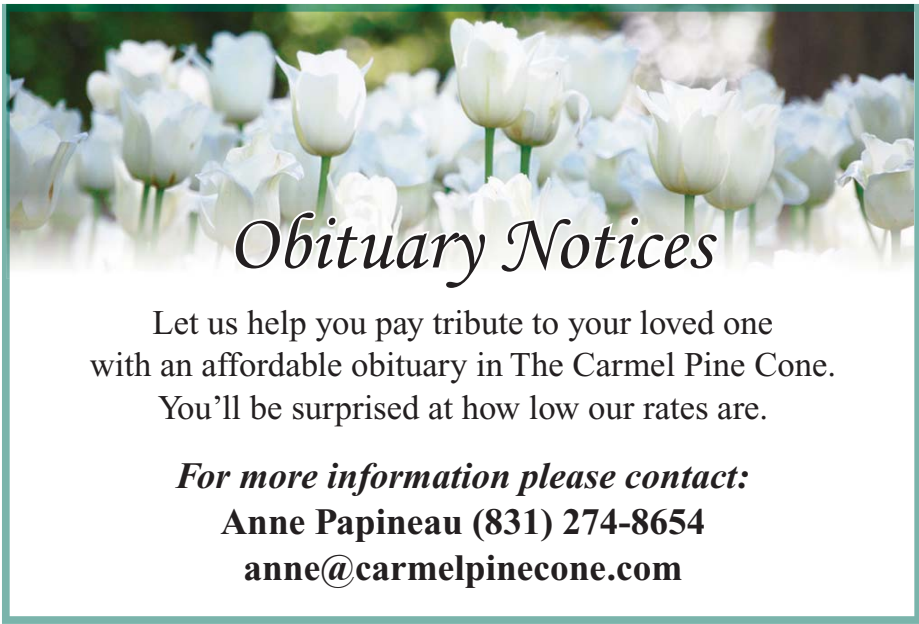
Barbara was preceded in death by her parents, Mary and Harry J. Ogilvie, and a daughter, Mayling M. Butler. She is survived by her daughter Theresa Butler Williams (husband Charles), two granddaughters, Laura Williams Cosentino (husband Anthony), and Lisa Williams. She is also survived by four great-grandchildren, Isidoro, Graziella, Theresa, and Charles Cosentino.

The family wishes to thank the VNA-Hospice and Meals on Wheels for all their kind help. A private celebration of life will be held next year. Donations can be made to Meals on Wheels of the Monterey Peninsula or the Carmel Foundation.

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File No. 20200973
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **DIVING EVOLVED, 2014 Canvas Way, Marina, CA 93933**.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
NICHOLAS MATTHEW NECHAY, 2014 Canvas Way, Marina, CA 93933.
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, 2020.
S/Nicholas Nechay
June 9, 2020
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 12, 2020.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 2020. (PC633)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20200989
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **COMEHOME, 201 Spear Street, Suite 1400, San Francisco, California 94105**.
County of Principal Place of Business: San Francisco.
Name of Corporation or as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: HOUSECARNARY, INC., 201 Spear Street, Suite 1400, San Francisco, CA 94105.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: Delaware
This business is conducted by a corporation.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 13, 2018.
S/ Jeremy Siskind, CEO and President
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who

declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) (B&P Code 17913). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 17, 2020.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 2020. (PC635)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20200989
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **COMEHOME, 201 Spear Street, Suite 1400, San Francisco, California 94105**.
County of Principal Place of Business: San Francisco.
Name of Corporation or as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: HOUSECARNARY, INC., 201 Spear Street, Suite 1400, San Francisco, CA 94105.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: Delaware
This business is conducted by a corporation.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 13, 2018.
S/ Jeremy Siskind, CEO and President
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who

declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) (B&P Code 17913). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 17, 2020.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 2020. (PC635)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201005
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **A TOUCH OF GLASS, 710 Old Stage Rd., Caretaker, Salinas, CA 93906**.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
LILLY A. CAMPOS, 710 Old Stage Rd., Caretaker, 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 June 17, 2020.
S/Lilly Campos
June 17, 2020
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 18, 2020.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: July 3, 10, 17, 24, 2020. (PC636)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201012
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **LF TRANSPORT, 1534 Cherokee Dr., Salinas, CA 93906**.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
NOEL S. PEREZ, 1534 Cherokee Dr.-1, 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 June 17, 2020.
S/Noel S. Perez
June 17, 2020
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 19, 2020.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: July 3, 10, 17, 24, 2020. (PC637)

APN: 006724-006-000
TS No: CA08000084-19-1
TO No: 191170665-CA-VOI
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED December 5, 2007. 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. On August 25, 2020 at 10:00 AM, outside the main entrance of the Monterey County Administration building located at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901, MTC Financial Inc., dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on that certain Deed of Trust recorded on May 23, 2007 as Instrument No. 2007041386, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Monterey County, California, executed by AGUILINO ZARAZUA AND AMPELIA ZARAZUA, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS COMMUNITY PROPERTY, as Trustor(s) in favor of FINANCIAL FREEDOM SENIOR FUNDING CORPORATION, A SUBSIDIARY OF INDYMAC BANK, F.S.B. as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 334 BISHOP AVENUE, PACIFIC GROVE, CA 93950. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for the correctness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express 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 if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated 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 obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$886,057.97 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. 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 In Source Logic at 702-659-7766 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Web site address listed below for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA08000864-19-1. 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. Date: 06/24/2020 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA08000864-19-1 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 866-660-4288 Myron Ravelo, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ON LINE AT www.insourcelogic.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: In Source Logic AT 702-659-7766 Trustee Corps may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose. Order Number 72094, Pub Dates: 07/10/2020, 07/17/2020, 07/24/2020, CARMEL PINE CONE Publication dates: July 10, 17, 24, 2020. (PC702)

APN: 197-151-010-000 TS N
o: CA08001043-19-1
TO No: 191301899-CA-VOI
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED May 11, 2007. 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. On August 27, 2020 at 10:00 AM, outside the main entrance of the Monterey County Administration building located at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901, MTC Financial Inc., dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on May 23, 2007 as Instrument No. 2007041386, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Monterey County, California, executed by AGUILINO ZARAZUA AND AMPELIA ZARAZUA, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS COMMUNITY PROPERTY, as Trustor(s) in favor of FINANCIAL FREEDOM SENIOR FUNDING CORPORATION, A SUBSIDIARY OF INDYMAC BANK, F.S.B. as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 285 ESQUILINE ROAD, CARMEL VALLEY, CA 93924. 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, express 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 if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated 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 obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$843,385.58 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. 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 In Source Logic at 702-659-7766 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Web site address listed below for information regarding the sale of the property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA08001043-19-1. 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. Date: 6/24/2020 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA08001043-19-1 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 866-660-4288 Myron Ravelo, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ON LINE AT www.insourcelogic.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: In Source Logic AT 702-659-7766 Trustee Corps may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose. Order Number 72106, Pub Dates: 07/10/2020, 07/17/2020, 07/24/2020, CARMEL PINE CONE Publication dates: July 10, 17, 24, 2020. (PC703)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20200994
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
Spaceshippi, 1214 San Pablo Ave., Apt. 1, Seaside, CA 93955, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s):
William Rising, 1214 San Pablo Ave., Apt. 1, Seaside, CA 93955
This business is conducted by an individual
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A
S/ William Rising, CEO
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 17, 2020
7/3, 7/10, 7/17, 7/24/20
CNS-3372039#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: July 3, 10, 17, 24, 2020. (PC704)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201042
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **MARINA INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF THE WINDS, 3152 Ocean Ter., Marina, CA 93933**.
Mailing address: P.O. Box 324, Marina, California 93933.
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.
Name of Corporation or as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: THE MARINA FOUNDATION, 3152 Ocean Ter., Marina, CA 93933.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.:
This business is conducted by a corporation.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan 1, 2010.
S/ Dorothy Emerson, VP
June 19, 2020
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) (B&P Code 17913). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**
This statement was filed with the County

Clerk of Monterey County on June 23, 2020.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: July 3, 10, 17, 24, 2020. (PC705)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20200993
Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(s) from the previous filing.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CARMEL AREA RESERVATION SERVICE, 316 Mid Valley Ctr. #171, Carmel, CA 93923**.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
SUZANNE E. GRAVELLE, 316 Mid Valley Ctr. #171, Carmel, CA 93923.
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Oct. 1 2003.
S/Suzanne E. Gravelle
May 27, 2020
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 17, 2020.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: July 3, 10, 17, 24, 2020. (PC706)

Publication date: July 10, 17, 2020 (PC711)

Clerk of Monterey County on June 23, 2020.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: July 3, 10, 17, 24, 2020. (PC705)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20200993
Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(s) from the previous filing.
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County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
SUZANNE E. GRAVELLE, 316 Mid Valley Ctr. #171, Carmel, CA 93923.
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Oct. 1 2003.
S/Suzanne E. Gravelle
May 27, 2020
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 17, 2020.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: July 3, 10, 17, 24, 2020. (PC706)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201059
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **MINDFUL TRADER, 1100 Presidio Rd., Pebble Beach, CA 93953**.
Mailing address: 798 Lighthouse Ave. #303, Monterey, CA 93940.
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey County.
Name of Corporation or as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: INTEGRATED STRATEGIC RESOURCES, INC. 433 South 15th St., San Jose, CA 95112.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.:
This business is conducted by a corporation.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
S/ Eric Ferguson, President
June 24, 2020
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) (B&P Code 17913). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 25, 2020.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication dates: July 10, 17, 24, 31, 2020. (PC708)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE of KATHLEEN A. LEWIS (CORRECTED)
Case Number 20PR000235
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of KATHLEEN A. LEWIS:
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by DEBORAH A. PETERSON in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.
The Petition for Probate requests that DEBORAH A. PETERSON 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: October 21, 2020
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:
ROBERT E. WILLIAMS
215 W. Franklin Street, Ste. 219
Monterey, CA 93940
(831) 372-8053
This statement was filed by Superior Court of California, County of Monterey on June 18, 2020.
Publication dates: July 10, 17, 24, 2020. (PC709)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201061
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **TRUE LIFE HABITAT, 190 A Pine Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950**.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s):
GABRIEL GANDZJUK, 190 A Pine Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.
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.
S/Gabriel Gandzjuk
June 17, 2020
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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 22, 2020.
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Publication dates: July 10, 17, 24, 31, 2020. (PC710)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201061
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Carmel Dog Shop, Lincoln St. SE of Ocean Ave. Carmel, CA 93921**, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s):
Cynthia Lynn Montgomery, Lincoln St. SE of Ocean Ave. Carmel, CA 93921

BASEMENTS

From page 10A

Without any discussion, commissioner Erik Howell next made a motion to approve Carl’s motion. Commissioner Sara Aminzadeh quickly seconded the motion before seemingly criticizing Lombardo for arguing his case in an “inappropriate” and “distracting” way. “This is the day I’m taking umbrage with litigators and litigation tactics,” she said.

Before the vote, only one commissioner, Dayna Bochco, spoke out in favor of allowing the basements. She also backed the use of ground-penetrating radar analysis, and she called the case made for it “very persuasive.”

“It’s hard to get passionate about basements,” added Bochco, who cast the lone vote in support of the builders. “But I haven’t seen any evidence that there are cultural resources on these properties. We need to go on the facts.”

Pietro Family Investments of San Francisco wants to build a 4,900-square-foot home at 26338 Valley View Ave., a 5,880-square-foot split-level single family home at 26346 Valley View Ave., and a 3,834-square-foot split-level single family home at 26307 Isabella Ave.

In April 2019, the Monterey County Board of Supervisors voted 3-2 to OK the projects, with 5th District Supervisor Mary Adams voting against approval.

According to a county report, Carmel Point is an area with “well documented archaeological resources,” and it’s possible Native Americans lived there as far back as 9,000 years ago.

Singer-songwriters at Trailside Cafe

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

WHILE MOST music venues are closed because of government shutdown orders, Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley continues to host performances in its outdoor Beer Garden.

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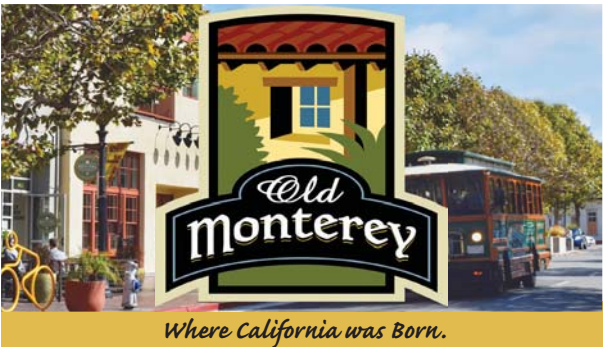
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201086
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
Melendez Medical Billing Services, 6790 Tustin Road. Salinas, CA 93907, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s): Tina Marie Melendez, 6790 Tustin Road, Salinas, CA 93907
This business is conducted by an Individual
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A
S/ Tina Marie Melendez
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 30, 2020
7/17, 7/24, 7/31, 8/7/20
CNS-3375143#
CARMEL PINE CONE
July 17, 24, 31, Aug. 7, 2020. (PC715)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201097
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
1. MARK’S MOBILE LOCKSMITH 2. MARK’S LOCK & SAFE, 10151 Reese Cir. Ste. A, Salinas, CA 93907.
Mailing address: 17539 Vierra Cyn. Rd. Ste. A248, Salinas, CA 93907.
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey County.
Name of Corporation of as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: MARK’S MOBILE LOCKSMITH, INC., 10151 Reese Cir. Ste. A, Salinas, CA 93907.
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 N/A
S/ Mark Bryan Henson, CEO

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 2, 2020.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days

after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law [See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code].
Publication dates: July 17, 24, 31, Aug. 7, 2020. (PC716)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201125
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **HUNTER PUBLIC RELATIONS & SPECIAL EVENTS, 100 Clocktower Pl. #120, Office J, Carmel, CA 93923.**
Mailing address: P.O. Box 1049, Pebble Beach, CA 93953.
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey County.
Name of Corporation of as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: HPR, INC., 3328 Sycamore Pl, Carmel, CA 93923.
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 April 1, 2000.
S/ Kristen E. Hunter, Treasurer
June 8, 2020

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Publication dates: July 17, 24, 31, Aug. 7, 2020. (PC717)

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201138
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The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **TAQUERIA SUPER POLLO, 1237 South Main St., Salinas, CA 93901.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): ARMANDO LEPIZ, 382 Williams Rd., SPC 4, Salinas, CA 93905.
This business is conducted by a general partnership.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
S/ Armando Lepiz
July 14, 2020
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Publication dates: July 17, 24, 31, Aug. 7, 2020. (PC718)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201135
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
T & A Supplies 365 Rock Rose St., Soledad, CA 93960, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s): Juan Carlos Rosas Jr. 365 Rock Rose Street, Soledad, CA 93960
This business is conducted by an Individual
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on April 20, 2020

S/ Juan Carlos Rosas, Jr.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 7, 2020
7/17, 7/24, 7/31, 8/7/20
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CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication dates: July 17, 24, 31, Aug. 7, 2020. (PC719)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20201178
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **VALLEY CHIROPRACTIC, 28 Quail Run Cir. Ste. A, Salinas, California 93907.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): KEITH THOMAS MIGOTTI, 28 Quail Run Cir. Ste. A, Salinas, CA 93907.
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 19, 2013.
S/ Keith Thomas Migotti
July 13, 2020
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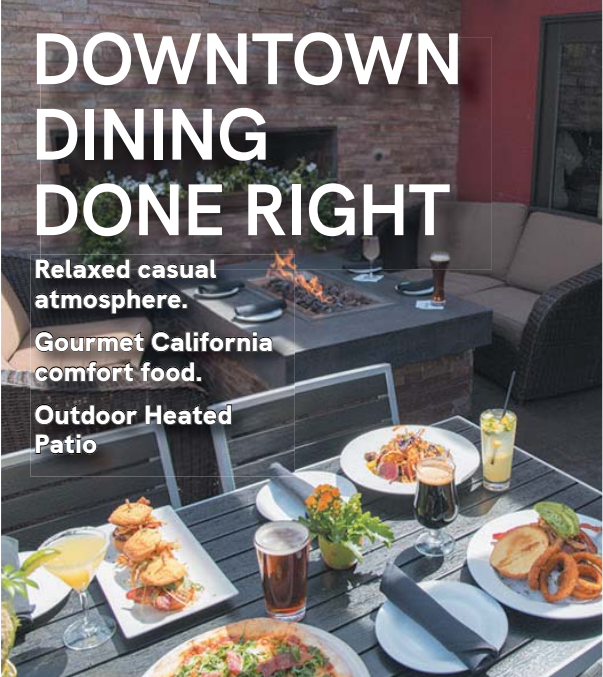
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Museum adds another Ligare to its collection — on his 75th birthday

WHILE THE coronavirus shutdown has dampened the sales of many artists, one of Monterey County’s finest, painter **David Ligare**, celebrated his 75th birthday recently by selling one of his most cherished pieces to the Monterey Museum of

“In 2014, we were in Italy staying with friends who have a country house in southern Tuscany,” he explained. “We were all at the beach one day and I was drawing in my notebook when this image popped into my head. When I got back to Florence, where I was working at the time, I made a bigger drawing and then an etching. I made the final painting back in my studio in Corral de Tierra.”

Ligare said the painting is an homage to Renaissance artist, architect and writer Leon Battista Alberti.

Donors make purchase possible

Museum spokeswoman **Allyson Hitte** said the painting was purchased with funds designated for acquiring new art, along with donations by **Judy and Tom Archibald, Elizabeth Barlow and Stephen McClellan, Linda and David Keaton, Sally Lucas, Judith and Frank Marshall,**

and **Lila and James Thorsen.**

For his contributions to the local art scene, the Arts Council for Monterey County gave Ligare a Lifetime Achievement Award in 2011.

In addition to buying new art, the museum is busy finding a new executive director to replace Stuart Chase, who stepped down last month. Chase took over as leader of the museum in 2017.

Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

Art. The price was not disclosed.

The painting, titled “Magna Fide” or “Great Belief,” joins 16 other pieces by Ligare in the museum’s permanent collection. “What a birthday surprise!” the painter exclaimed. “This is a favorite painting of mine.”

According to Ligare, the piece was started on one continent and completed on another. The rocks in the painting were modeled after ones in Monterey.

David Ligare’s “Magna Fide” was recently purchased by the Monterey Museum of Art, which now owns 17 of the artist’s paintings. Ligare began the piece on one continent, and completed it on another.



Few rooms, many acres — Big Sur’s Post Ranch, Ventana inns reopen

By CHRIS COUNTS

WHILE MUCH of California hunkers down in response to an increase in coronavirus cases, Big Sur’s two luxury resorts, Post Ranch Inn and Ventana Inn and Spa,

reopened this week.

More than any other inns and motels down the coast, the two resorts offer abundant land for people to keep their distance from one another — Post Ranch has 39 rooms on 100 acres, while Ventana has 59 rooms on 160 acres.

Post Ranch, which opened July 15, remains closed to day visitors, which means overnight guests no longer have to share the grounds with those who are not staying at the resort, creating even more space. As a result, the inn’s restaurant, Sierra Mar, is able to space its tables even farther apart. For those who prefer to dine outside, seating there has been expanded.

Post Ranch’s gift shop, the Mercantile, and its Post Gallery will also be open only to in-house guests.

The pool at Post Ranch is also open, with lounge chairs spaced 6-feet apart and disinfected after each use.

Massage, yoga are back

Massage and spa services are still offered in treatment rooms at Post Ranch, but the time between appointments has been increased to allow for more extensive cleaning. Also, new non-touch treatments such sound meditation and sleep therapy are available.

Introduced earlier this year, falconry is returning to the resort. An interactive introduc-

tion with an expert will familiarize guests with the pastime.

And, of course, everybody will be wearing masks, and hand sanitizer won’t ever be far away.

“In the wake of Covid-19, the management team has been working around the clock to reevaluate every aspect of its operating protocols and embracing a holistic approach to cleanliness, safety and wellness, while honoring its commitment to the environment and community,” general manager Gary Obligation told The Pine Cone.

Making it easy to distance

Ventana opened most of its rooms to visitors July 15. “We are thrilled to welcome you back,” the resort posted Wednesday on social media.

The resort’s dining room is open but is only serving outside and delivering to rooms. The bar is closed, but drinks can be served with dinner or delivered to the pool or guestrooms.

Massages and spa treatments are available, but must be done outside. The pool is open, but only by reservations due to spacing requirements.

To keep staff and guests safe, face masks are required, hand sanitizer is readily available, and surfaces in high-traffic areas are disinfected hourly. “All of our team members have completed rigorous health and safety training, and we’ve reimagined the entire Ventana guest journey with subtle yet substantive ‘touches’ that allow you to avoid unnecessary contact, the resort said.



PHOTO/VENTANA RESORT

Along with nearby Post Ranch Inn, Ventana Inn and Spa in Big Sur (above) reopened this week. The inn has implemented a vast array of precautions to keep guests and staff safe from Covid-19.



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July 25 – PacRep’s Virtual Midsummer Soirée Fundraiser. 6 to 7:15 p.m. A virtual “evening together” on Zoom, with dinner from Aubergine, and Albatross Ridge wine, delivered to your home. Enjoy online performances and bid on auction items. \$195 per person. Visit pacrep.org or call (831) 622-0100.

July 30 – Aspire Health Plan Presents: Short Story Discussion, a Virtual Community Connections Class, 10 to 11 a.m. Join us for a lively discussion of John Steinbeck’s *The Chrysanthemums*, set in our own Salinas Valley. Register to receive online access to the short story. Free and open to all. We ask you to register so we can know how many people to expect. RSVP to (877) 663-7651, or www.aspirehealthplan.org/connections2020

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Restaurants back outside, new market open, but Sur la Table closing

MORE OUTDOOR dining spaces are appearing downtown as many of the city’s 50 or so restaurants seek to serve customers al fresco in order to survive the pandemic-induced shutdowns that have crippled their businesses. Tables and chairs are popping up all over the place — on sidewalks, in parking spaces, outside front doors, under huge tents — and operators are doing their best to woo diners, even when the town’s typical summer weather kicks in, with its grey skies and chilly temperatures.

When restaurants were allowed to reopen for indoor dining at the end of May, their capacities were greatly reduced, mak-

ket vendors now spread out not just along the block of Sixth next to Devendorf Park, but around the corner on Mission between Sixth and Ocean, too. It’s still fairly small but features a nice selection of produce growers, flower sellers and other vendors.

■ New tasting cottage

Albatross Ridge has opened a second tasting room, this one with ample outdoor space, which is even more critical since the state shut down indoor activities at wineries and tasting rooms last week, in the former Cima Collina location at 19 E. Carmel Valley Road. The historic White Oaks building, which winery owners father-and-son team Brad and Garrett Bowlus call their “tasting cottage” is now open Sunday to Thursday from noon to 7 p.m., and Friday and Saturday from noon to 8 p.m. While reservations are not required, they’re encouraged.

Albatross Ridge has vineyards high up in the Carmel Valley hills above mid-valley, farming chardonnay and pinot noir. Just 7 or so miles from the coast, they are closer to the ocean than any other vineyard in the area, and the cool climate yields refined wines with a good level of acidity. For more information, visit albatrossridge.com.

■ Winetasting outside

Last week, the city council decided downtown Carmel tasting rooms could pour for customers outdoors while the state has locked down their indoor operations. Of the 17 tasting rooms in town, Monterey County Vintners & Growers Association executive director Kim Stemler said last week, a dozen have been able to work with their landlords to use private space, and the council gave permission to the other five to conduct business on public property — but only until the state allows them to serve people inside again.

This week, several were taking advantage of that concession.

■ Carmel Liquors coming

Fadi Al-Nimri, owner of the Tree House restaurant on San Carlos and a partner in

the Mission Bistro a couple of blocks away, is opening a liquor store in the former Lopez Liquors location with Pantipa Al-Nimri. Lopez, which took over the space from Ron’s Liquors several years ago, left at the start of the coronavirus shutdown, and the storefront has presumably been undergoing some cleanup work in preparation for the new tenant.

The city approved Al-Nimri’s business license July 9, allowing him to operate a 700-square-foot shop selling beer, wine and spirits, as well as packaged snacks.

He said this week he’s not yet sure when he’ll open.

■ Sur La Table closing

With the Seattle-based kitchenware store filing bankruptcy, dozens of Sur La Table’s 120-plus stores across the nation will be closing this summer, among them the shop at Carmel Plaza, which last year

moved to a newly remodeled space at the back of the shopping center and began offering classes in a brand new demonstration kitchen attached to the store.

The chain, which started at Pike Place Market in 1972, is closing more than 50 of its retail locations and selling everything else, including its cooking classes and website, to Fortress Investment Group, which is working with STORY3 Capital Partners to take over the company and ideally make it profitable again.

“Sur La Table believes that it is exceptionally well positioned to thrive in the post-Covid-19 world, as food, cooking and in-home entertainment continue to capture increasing mindshare of consumers, and as such, this strategy is in the best long-term interests of its employees, customers and vendors,” company spokesman Phil Denning said in a statement.

See **FOOD** next page

Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

ing reservations a necessity. Now that the state has rolled back that privilege with the ongoing increases in coronavirus infections in Monterey County, seats are in even shorter supply, making reserving a spot that much more necessary. Large groups are generally difficult to accommodate.

While umbrellas and heaters are allowed, city rules dictate they be taken in at night, and some restaurants may not have heating at all, so it’s important to dress accordingly. Through ongoing refinement of the rules, city officials have tried to ensure business owners are doing their part to keep the city’s streets looking tidy and inviting, but as more parklets pop up, parking downtown is getting increasingly difficult. Uber drivers are still scarce, too, so plan on cruising around in search of a parking space, taking advantage of Carmel Plaza’s paid garage at Mission and Eighth, or parking somewhere on the outskirts of the commercial district and walking a few blocks to the restaurant of your choice.

■ Market has reopened

Operated by Good Roots, which was started by a Carmel High School grad, the downtown Carmel farmers market held on Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. reopened July 2 after being closed for several months. In order to accommodate social distancing and make shopping safe for people, mar-

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FOOD

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Closeout sales at the Plaza store have begun, with gift cards and returns on purchases before July 7 accepted until Aug. 7, according to an email sent out by the company Thursday.

J&P farmers retiring

Also hanging it up is J&P Organics, a family farm launched by CSUMB grad Juan Perez that involved his parents, Pablo and Florencia, and his brother and wife. Since 2006, they have been working on their Salinas farm, coordinating deliveries of fresh produce to more than 200 homes in Monterey and Santa Cruz counties, and visiting farmers markets. His parents farmed raspberries for years before that.

Increased demand during the shelter-in-place order tapped out their farm, and after several weeks of letting their customers know they didn't have enough produce to sell them, this week, they sent an email announcing their decision to retire.

"After 30 years of farming and 14 years of deliveries in the Monterey and Santa Cruz counties, J&P Organics family farm decided to retire. It was a big decision coming from Poppa and Momma, who are getting older and tired,"



Want to make a salad that looks as pretty as this one? Montrie executive chef Justin Robarge tells you how.

Perez and his family said. "We want to thank from the bottom of our hearts all our members and friends for your support throughout these years. We will truly miss the happy hellos, the kids' excitement when they saw our drivers, and even the yappy dogs. Thank you for understanding; our hearts are with everyone."

Valley Hills deli for sale

Carmel Business Sales this week listed a "deli and country mart" for sale in the "heart of golf resorts" for \$175,000. Owner Ryan Sanchez, who also owns Surf N Sand, Corral de Tierra market and El Jefe tequila, told The Pine Cone it's time to let Valley Hills deli go, and Carmel Business Sales pitched it as the ideal purchase for a chef or food lover.

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Valley Hills deli is located on Carmel Valley Road very close to Quail Lodge and across the road from one of the Tehama gates.

"Revenue has increased consistently, with even greater potential for a new owner making more use of a full kitchen — adding takeout prepared packaged dinners, delivery service, BBQ nights, tastings of local wines, breakfasts for specialty car clubs, and increased catering, as this area is popular for weddings, anniversary parties, golfing events,

Concours d' Elegance private picnics, and tailgate gatherings at the Laguna Seca international auto and motorcycling racing venue," according to the business broker. "Potential is so great!"

Chef Justin's summer salad

Montrie Bistro's executive chef, Justin Robarge, shared his recipe for a farmers market summer salad with grilled stone fruit and homemade ricotta.

The recipe calls for a peach, a nectarine, a pluot (or aprium or plumcot, since they're all hybrids of plums and apricots), a sliced shallot, 2 T. olive oil, 1 T. sherry vinegar and three or four leaves of basil cut in thin strips.

Slice each fruit in half and remove the pit. Place all halves in a bowl and toss with shallots, oil, vinegar, salt and pepper, and then place them cut-side down on a pre-heated grill for two or three minutes. After they cool, cut them into cubes, put them back in the bowl and toss them with the basil.

To make the ricotta, gradually warm a half-gallon of whole milk and 1 t. kosher salt to 185-195 degrees, add 1/3 cup distilled white vinegar and 1/3 cup fresh lemon juice, turn off the heat and let it sit for 20 minutes. Then line a strainer with cheesecloth and place it over a bowl, and carefully place the curds and liquid into it. Let it sit for another 10 to 15 minutes.

To assemble the salad, toss a handful of arugula with balsamic vinegar and oil, arrange it on a plate, top with the fruit and ricotta, and garnish with some toasted almonds.

WATER

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jority of the members on the board who support a public takeover of Cal Am's system and reject the company's proposed desal plant near Marina.

In June, directors Alvin Edwards, Molly Evans, George Riley and 5th District Monterey County Supervisor Mary Adams OK'd a letter to the California Coastal Commission urging the panel to reject giving Cal Am a permit for the desal plant. Hoffmann was one of three directors on the board, along with Carmel Mayor Dave Potter and director Jeanne Byrne, who voted against the idea.

Cal Am has said its desal plant would offer a drought-free water supply for the Peninsula and would comply with a state cutback order. Anderson and others support a reclamation project sponsored by the water and sewer districts.



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FRONT

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sponsibility to improve their health outcomes, not only physically but emotionally.”

Some have little to worry about. Others face a nightmare. The frontline medical workers in the emergency department and the intensive care unit see traumatic sights, and some level of post-traumatic stress disorder is a common result for the caregivers.

“We all have different ways, our own way, of handling the stress of the job, and some people obviously have a better time than others,” Borek said. “If you can let it all go when you leave the hospital, you’ll fare a lot better than if you keep dwelling on it. You punch in, you do your 12-hour shift, and you punch out and go home. You don’t have to take anything home with you, and if you’re good at that, the stress is easier to manage. Some people have a harder time with it than others.”

Reassuring families — and others

Borek was an all-league softball player at Carmel High, then played Division I softball at North Dakota State University. Her enduring love for athletics provides helpful ways to unwind. She walks, rides her bike, and works out in her home gym. Yoga and meditation help with her men-

tal health.

She also feels better after switching from a four-day work week (eight-hour shifts) to a three-day week (12 hours per day), which gives her four consecutive days off.

“The emotional exhaustion of a four- or five-day work week just beats you up,” she said. “All I do on my first day off is monotonous chores around the house — vacuuming, laundry ... things that don’t require me to think about anything.”

She said her boyfriend, who lives with her, worries about her safety.

“He tries not to say much, because he knows I have to go to work regardless, but, in all honesty, I understand. He’s never had to work in a hospital,” she said. “I try to reassure him that we have the masks, we have the equipment we need at Community Hospital.

“But he also gets calls from family members who say, ‘We’re so worried about you and Cristina...’” Borek added. “And one of the job sites where he was supposed to work actually asked him not to come in, just because they knew what I did at the hospital. People are uncomfortable and nervous about that.”

Borek said she has a high level of faith in her work environment, not only because they haven’t yet run short of protective gear or equipment, but also because the doctors and supervisors at CHOMP are relentlessly keeping up with the latest news from colleagues worldwide.

“Our physicians are constantly reading the medical

journals, communicating with doctors at other hospitals, doing anything they think might be helpful,” she said. “We’re all still learning about the virus, the community is sharing information, sharing experiences, and I know we’ve implemented some of the things they were doing in New York City, like the big, plastic box they put over a patient’s bed to help protect the staff.”

‘Great day’

Staff morale at CHOMP is good, said Borek. Coworkers boost each other up when needed. Somebody regularly brings baked goods for break time. And they understand that the work they’re doing couldn’t be more important at a time like this.

“We all have a common goal of making it through this,” she said. “There’s a lot of uncertainty out there, so we all try to have the best time we can. The first thing I try to say every morning is, ‘It’s going to be a great day!’ Then we all just try really hard to make it happen.”

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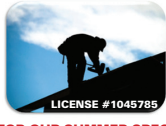
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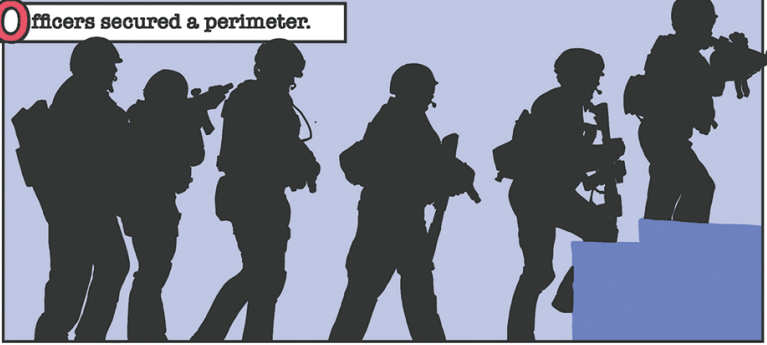
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He went to UCLA, not Cal Poly — but it seems to have worked out

WHATEVER NICK Cardinale was dreaming about when he graduated from Carmel High in 1997, it wasn't nearly this good. He couldn't have predicted that the Harlem Globetrotters would hire him as assistant general manager at age 23,

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

then promote him to the general manager post on his 26th birthday. He couldn't have imagined that he would move on at age 34 to become executive vice president and general manager of Barrett-Jackson, producer of "The World's Greatest Collector Car Auctions," according to its website. "As kids, we used to ride our bikes through Fort Ord to go to the car events at Laguna Seca, and I loved seeing all the amazing cars that came through the Peninsula every year," said Cardinale, now a 41-year-old resident of Scottsdale, Ariz. "Never in a million years did I dream that I'd be coming back as an executive in the industry, with a company that sponsors events there."

Father knew best

He was a three-sport jock at CHS — all-league in basketball, the sport he would play for two years at Monterey Peninsula College, where his father, Sal Cardinale, was a retired head coach and watched him from the bleachers.

"As a dad, he was amazing. As a coach, he was tough on me — I'll admit that. I'd score 30, and he'd tell me everything I did wrong," Nick mused.

Sal Cardinale was also in the middle of a 40-year career as MPC's academic counselor, which made him Nick's academic counselor.

"I noticed all of my buddies had all this free time during our freshman year, and I didn't have any," he said. "Turned out they were all taking 12 units, and I was taking 21. Somebody finally said, 'Hey, you're not allowed to take more than 20 units unless a counselor signs off on it.' Well, my dad was my counselor. He picked all of my classes and handed me my schedule, and I didn't know any different."

The good news was that father knew best. The kid's transcripts at MPC got him into UCLA, which rejected more applicants than any other school in America.

Nick was only living up to the family's expectations. His mom and dad, Gretchen and Sal, both graduated from Cal Poly, as did all of his aunts and uncles. His two younger sisters, Jessica, 38, and Vanessa, 35, also are Cal Poly alumnae.

"I guess I was the black sheep, going to UCLA, but I loved going to school there," Nick said. "Big school, big city, so much opportunity ... I met so many amazing people. One of my college buddies is now VP of player operations for the 49ers. Another is one of the top agents in the Ultimate Fighting Championship."

It helps to know people, but Nick Cardinale's luckiest connection probably was his dad, who was friends with the guy who built the home of Monterey Peninsula resident Jerry Colangelo, former owner of the Phoenix Suns and Arizona Diamondbacks.

After meeting with Nick, Colangelo arranged an interview with the Suns, who offered him a job as a video assistant in their scouting department.

"The job was mine, signed, sealed and delivered, but just as I was preparing to move from L.A. to Phoenix, their video person abruptly left. They replaced him with the Toronto Raptors' video guy, who brought his own assistant with him, so my NBA job literally disappeared overnight."

Colangelo tried again, connecting him with Erik Widmark, executive director of the Grand Canyon State Games, Arizona's version of the Olympics.

"I met Erik and we hit it off great, but he said he had no budget to hire me," he remembered. "I said, Erik, I'm there anyway — that part's a done deal — so I'll intern for you for a year without pay."

Harlem Globetrotters

Widmark took the offer. Cardinale moved to Scottsdale, worked 40 hours a week as Widmark's director of sports operations, and learned how to stage big events, tending bar three nights a week to pay his bills. Then Cardinale seized the day when he learned that the Globetrotters were shopping for an assistant general manager.

Glowing letters from Widmark and Colangelo introduced him to Globetrotters owner Manny Jackson (Colangelo's basketball teammate at the University of Illinois), who told the team's top management to interview the 23-year-old.

"I crushed both interviews — two of the best interviews ever — but my third interview, with their GM, didn't go

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(Above) Padres jocks Golden Anderson (now CHS athletic director), Colter Bissell, and Nick Cardinale, circa 1997. Cardinale, shown with basketball legend Curly Neal (right), has had an amazing career, including a stint as General Manager of the Harlem Globetrotters. He credits his father (former MPC coach Sal Cardinale) with much of his success.



VOLUNTEERS

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Around the same time, resident Dale Byrne and others designed new equipment housing that "had to allow for quick access for maintenance, testing, repairing or even replacing the entire assembly someday," Rerig said. They created and built a Tudor/Comstock-style house with a removable roof and shutters, and even painted a tiny bird on one of the shutters. "With the city facing significant funding challenges due to the Covid-19 pandemic, partnering with the community is truly valued and appreciated," Rerig said.

Byrne has also been working on maintenance and upkeep at the Forest Theater, including staining all the benches and tackling landscaping issues there, and is rebuilding newspaper kiosks on Ocean Avenue.

"We gave Dale Byrne a long list of tasks that he seems to be delighted in doing," public works director Bob Harary said.

"In addition, the Friends of Mission Trail Nature Preserve have really kicked it up by clearing and re-grading the Doo-little Trail, grading a tributary to the creek

to eliminate some flooding, and removing stumps and invasive weeds."

The Friends of Carmel Forest have helped, too, and the Carmel-by-the-Sea Garden Club is taking on rehabilitation efforts in a 2,000-square-foot area of the North Dunes. Professional plant biologists are volunteering their time, as well.

"We sure appreciate all the help we can get!" Harary said.

CEQA

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ty to enforce CEQA."

According to attorney John Farrow, who has worked for LandWatch, the bill would shift considerable legal costs of a case to the losing party, making litigation a risky choice for a nonprofit. "It would create a tremendous gamble for the petitioner because it allows an agency to prepare the record and impose the cost of the record if the petitioner loses," Farrow explained.

Opponents have also criticized the bill because they say it prioritizes environmental cases over others, including social justice cases.




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DEAR LARRY: : I read in your article that antique furniture values were at an all time low. Do you think the values will ever increase? - Robert in Carmel

Dear Robert: *There are exceptions, and antiques are still selling, but not at the prices of the past. It is in the hands of the younger generation. On the bright side, there are some incredible buys to be had.*

DEAR LARRY: : When I see real estate auction, I'm thinking you will get less money for your real estate. Is that the case? - Bert in Monterey

Dear Bert: *On the contrary. We have always achieved fair market value and many times have set record prices for real estate. When you read or hear of art, autos or jewelry bringing record prices, as an example, you will historically find that it was achieved at an auction. Real estate is no different.*

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Editorial

Turning the dial

GIVE GAVIN Newsom credit. At least he’s trying to keep the economy open.

His announcement Monday that gyms and hair salons had to close again came as a grave shock to the people who own and work in such establishments. Likewise, the gut punch that hit restaurant owners and workers last week.

Measured broadly, a functioning economy is one of the most vital components of what we call “civilization.” Newsom obviously comprehends this; otherwise, he never would have done what most left-wing politicians and their media allies are condemning as “reopening too soon.” And when you get down to the retail level of the noodle shop on the corner, or the martial arts place at the mall, closing down means lost wages, rent not paid, investments lost, and dreams snuffed out. We think Newsom gets that, too.

The governor also has a public to deal with that, even after all these months, still has its collective head stuffed with all sorts of misconceptions about what sheltering in place and social distancing were supposed to accomplish. Many thousands of people right here in the Monterey Peninsula are sitting at home thinking the “science and data” we keep hearing about mean we should be staying on lockdown until the virus has gone away.

Never mind that the virus that’s called SARS-CoV-2, and the disease it causes, Covid-19, will be with us for years, if not decades. Even the most optimistic scenario of a widely administered, highly effective vaccine would only lead to the coronavirus being controlled. And such a vaccine may not be developed for a long time. Still, some people are calling for us to keep our economy shut down indefinitely. When he decided to reopen it in the first place, Newsom showed that he knew this was impossible.

So what is he up to now? Why reopen restaurants, gyms and barber-shops, only to shut them down again right away?

During his Monday news conference, Newsom tried to explain it by saying he was “turning down the dial” on the economy to try to get the current surge of coronavirus cases under control — not because it was happening at all, but because it was happening too quickly. It’s inevitable that the virus will spread, and that eventually a certain percentage of the population will catch it. But Newsom doesn’t want to let that happen too quickly because our healthcare system can only accommodate so many patients at a time.

Unfortunately, when you slow the outbreak, you’re also making it inevitable that it will last longer. Which means another danger for Newsom’s plan is the possibility that he’ll succeed in slowing the spread of the virus now, only to face another surge when he lets all the businesses reopen again — a cycle that could happen three or four times before the coronavirus has run its course.

We encourage everyone to help sustain the local economy — and support their neighbors’ jobs — by spending money in shops and restaurants whenever possible. When you do it, we urge you to strictly adhere to social distancing guidelines. And we also remind you not to expect too much. The suffering — physical, emotional and economic — from this virus isn’t going to end anytime soon. The best we can hope for is to keep it from getting too bad.

BEST of BATES



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Skin in the game

Dear Editor,

Isn’t it astounding that thousands of folks are out of jobs, hundreds of businesses are closed, and our entire society heading for a shrink due to decisions made by people who have no skin in the game. If there were any justice, all of these politicians and bureaucrats would not be paid as long as the country is in quarantine and isolation.

Watch how fast the epidemic would end!

Michael Addison, Carmel

No church?

Dear Editor,

This week I had some news that was very uplifting after weeks of being on a downer. I wanted to visit the Monastery near the Carmel Highlands to pray and thank God about the news, but it was closed on orders from the State of California. I then drove to the Carmel Mission

and it was completely sealed off. How can stores be open, outdoor dining, protests allowed, but I cannot visit my church? I am mad as hell. What can we do?

Sam Piffero, Carmel

‘Superstitious hysteria’

Dear Editor,

In the 14th century, ignorance and superstition led people to falsely believe that it was the “night air” that caused the Black Plague.

We really have not intellectually progressed much in the ensuing 700 years as we fall prey to propaganda and hysteria in light of the current virus.

The role of a newspaper, through truthful facts and honestly disseminated editorials, is to inform the populace. The Pine Cone served the community well in last week’s editorial and the companion article “County Announces ‘Aggressive’ Campaign in Coronavirus Hotspots.” This was done by presenting hard numerical statistics and exposing highly politically motivated edicts and pronouncements by the county government. However, no amount of informing journalism will amount to anything if the reading public does not utilize that information to think, reason and deduce the verity and value of what has been presented to them.

The aforementioned news offerings quite openly illustrated how deeply the American public and, more specifically for our purpose, the local populace have been duped by ignorant fear and superstitious hysteria. Various county entities, the health department (as expected), the sheriff’s de-

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Was ‘Call of the Wild’ written because of a inspiring view?

IF YOU think you know a lot about poet George Sterling, one of the pioneering residents of Carmel-by-the-Sea, be prepared to be surprised, as I was by a new book of Sterling’s fiction, “Babes in the Wood.”

Writer-researcher Vince Emery compiled the book from a serialized version published in 1914 through a half dozen

and magazines. Sterling enjoyed spending time with other writers and artists. He and Carrie arranged Sunday picnic’s with “The Crowd,” as the group was known.

Emery reveals that when Sterling and London met in 1901 (no one is sure how they met), the contrasts between them would have made it seem unlikely that they’d become friends. Sterling was a well-educated, successful capitalist, while London was a college drop-out and socialist, struggling to sell short stories to pulp magazines. London, with his wife Bess and infant daughter, lived with friends because they couldn’t afford rent.

A view that inspired

London became part of The Crowd and Sterling found him a below-market rental near the Sterling home in Piedmont. Emery’s well documented narrative cites a September 1901 letter that London wrote to a friend: “Have a great view now, with San Francisco, Goat, Angel and Alcatraz islands, the Golden Gate and the Pacific. Writing has not been up to much lately, but I should surely do good work here.” In February 1902, Sterling found London an even nicer home.

Once London’s living conditions improved, so did his writing. In early 1903, his “Call of the Wild” was published and became a bestseller. One of the big surprises Emery provides was that London asked Sterling to review the draft of that book before he sent it. London accepted “most of George’s improvements [other than] arguments over one or two words” — an insight Emery cites from a May 1903 letter from Sterling to Ambrose Bierce.

Emery shows that London continued

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History Beat

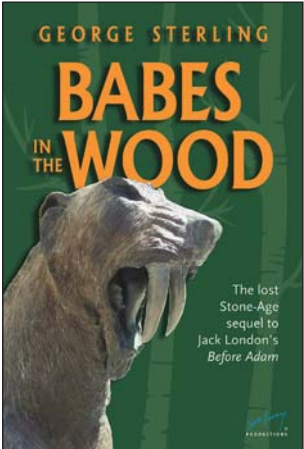
By NEAL HOTELLING

issues of Popular Magazine. Included with the fiction is a new perspective on Sterling’s biography, including Emery’s wonderful deep dive into the relationship between Sterling and Jack London. This relationship provides the background for the creation of this rare piece of Sterling fiction. You will not find it on Amazon, but a few local bookstores have copies available.

Emery’s narrative bypasses Sterling’s classical education in the East, picking up his story at age 20, when Sterling joined his uncle, Frank Havens, in San Francisco in 1890. Emery provides clarification on the uncle’s extensive real estate and banking conglomerate known as the Realty Syndicate. It had interests in both Oakland and San Francisco, and Sterling became financially successful serving in a variety of roles in the syndicate. In 1896, Sterling married Carrie Rand, the beautiful younger sister of his uncle’s second wife.

‘The Crowd’

While Sterling was good at business, his education made him more contemplative. As he began writing, mentored by Ambrose Bierce of the San Francisco Examiner, he became recognized as a brilliant poet and was published in newspapers



Researcher Vincent Emery has compiled unknown stories by Jack London, along with fascinating biographical details, into a new book (above). While writing his own stories, George Sterling appeared as a cave-man (right) at the Forest Theater in a 1913 production of Mary Austin’s “Fire.”

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Money may follow doing what you love, but it takes its sweet time

MURRAY WAGNON’S father, Jack, was an educator and an aficionado of philosophy whose eclectic circle of friends included Zen masters Jiddu Krishnamurti and Alan Watts, the famous British writer. In the early 1960s, Watts shared a wrecked ferry boat with artist Jean Varda in the bohemian enclave of Sausalito, where he’d

monumental sculptures out of random stuff and whatever old driftwood floated by. So he’d send my brother and me over to the mudflats, and give us a couple of bucks for whatever we brought back,” he said.

Wagnon was barely into his teens then — a junior high school student — but he traces his own artistic genesis to those memorable weekends, wandering through the many galleries and studios, watching the artists, including Varda.

“He seemed a bit cantankerous, but also fairly tolerant,” he said of Varda, who was also teaching at UC Berkeley. “I remember watching him turn these found objects into pieces of art, and thinking, ‘Man, this is pretty cool — I really want to do that!’ I was struck by the feeling that this was the most natural way for a man to live. It was definitely a moment of enlightenment for me.”

Wagnon’s parents, Jack and Margaret, settled the family for a time in King City, where he taught agriculture at the high school, and she tutored English as a second language. They were art enthusiasts who escaped on weekends to Carmel Valley, Carmel, Big Sur and Monterey to explore the galleries and enjoy the beaches with their children.

Not enough art

After graduating from high school in San Jose, Wagnon went to Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo, where he tried architecture and anthropology before settling on fine art and art history as a path of study.

He got married after college and started his own advertising design business while he showed his artwork in galleries in San Jose and Los Gatos.

“But when the kids started coming, I went into construction and spent the next 35 years as an electrician,” said Wagnon, who fathered three boys, Ben, 36, Daniel, 33, and Phillip, 31. “I always kept a home studio and I painted the entire time, but I couldn’t produce enough art while I was working full-time to feed those galleries. So every year I donated everything I painted to the public broadcasting station in KTEH/Channel 54 in San Jose, for their online art auction fundraiser.”

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Carmel’s Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

host Jack Wagnon for lengthy conversations.

“Watts lived on the bow of the boat, and Varda was on the stern. Dad would drive over there on Saturdays, take my brother and me with him, give us \$20, and tell us to roam around Sausalito and stay out of their hair,” recalled Wagnon, who today is 69, and serving his third term as president of the Monterey Bay Plein Air Painters Association.

“Varda, at that time, was making these



Murray Wagnon’s art career started with fetching driftwood for a sculptor. Now, he’s a successful plein air painter.

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LETTERS

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partment (quite disappointingly) and several other government entities have all pushed the totally unprovable and unsupportive falsehood that there is no danger of spreading the virus by BLM “protesters” who gather in the thousands. Yet we are under threat of fines or imprisonment if we walk alone on the beach or sing in church.

At the start of the Civil War there was a period of several months in which, other than a few skirmishes, there was little actual warfare. Many called this the “phony war.” We are in a period like that now in regards to the economy. Hopefully we have not totally devastated our economy at this point, but how we confront this pandemic now will determine whether future generations will live free and meaningful lives or be suppressed by the ignorance and superstition of today.

The virus threat is very real, but so is the fact that we are currently driven by unreasoned fear with even more dire consequences due to surface than from the virus. The destructive aftermath of the Civil War could well be surpassed by a longer lasting and more devastating future if we do not immediately awaken to the propaganda and resultant insanity we are subjected to today.

Richard S. Hellam, Seaside

‘Not living in fear’

Dear Editor,

God bless Mama. I recently returned home to visit with my mother in New Mexico and asked if I should wear a mask in her house. Without hesitation, she responded “No — I’m not living my remaining life in fear.” Mom just turned 80. I’ve always respected the mental toughness of my Pennsy-Dutch mother, but rarely was I so proud of her. I only wish I could say the same for the rest of my fellow American citizens. When did our nation become so weak-minded and timid? When did we allow fear to become the primary basis of our daily lives? And why would any rational adult volunteer compliance with an absolutely insane set of living conditions?

Folks, we’ve lost our minds. Here in Monterey County we have traded our idyllic, tranquil life for one centered on panic and suspicion. The only “truth” that I have discovered during the novel coronavirus pandemic is that we are

collectively capable of despising each other. Everywhere I go, I see people desperate to avoid other humans. We have even stopped making eye contact, and handshakes have gone the way of disco.

Quite frankly, it’s depressing as hell. The “Maskers and Lockers” tell us this is a temporary inconvenience, but the most cursory examination of the issue indicates otherwise. We are likely going to be forced to wear a Halloween costume in public for the next two or three years. (And isn’t it odd that we have ordered hundreds of millions of masks from the same country where this virus originated?)

The “M and L” also repeatedly mention the 1918 influenza pandemic, but there is no statistical comparison to Covid-19. The worldwide mortality rate for the Spanish Flu was over 2.5% (with approximately 50 million deaths), while CV-19 is currently at 0.4% (approximately 560,000 deaths). And the latter number is most certainly skewed since hospitals are not required to distinguish between dying with or from CV-19. The fact is that we do not know how many people have died directly from the coronavirus. All we do know is enormous economic and social destruction.

So, until we have irrefutable statistical evidence and move beyond the mass hysteria, I’m going to continue my outlaw ways. The medical odds say I only have 35 years left on Earth — I reckon that don’t leave much time for worry. But I always got time for Mama.

Jordan Garrick, Salinas

Carmel High and the Padres

Dear Editor,

As both a Carmel High (1952) and Sunset School grad, I have always been proud of our Padre sportsmanship (learned at the feet of Coach George Mosolf) and the school district’s high academic standards.

Thus, I was appalled by the front page article “Petition Calls for Elimination of CHS Padres Mascot,” Carmel Pine Cone, July 2, both for its wrapping the petition in the name of Mosolf (which would be so unlike him) and high school sports, and the failure of the authors to do their homework and consider the broader ramifications of their efforts. This is simply not just the question of naming sports teams or a yearbook but rather 250 years of history of Carmel. (Please note, I am not a Catholic.)

Having established that the issue raised is not just about the Padre athletic teams or the fact that there is a string of missions throughout California marked by the El Camino

Real bells, see the one on Rio Road opposite the Mission, but also the historic actions taken both for a visit by Pope John Paul II in 1987 and most importantly the fact that Father Serra’s birthplace of Palma de Majorca on the Spanish island of Majorca is recognized as Carmel-by-the-Sea’s Sister City. As a former Carmel Mayor. I can assure you that official regalia from Majorca reside in city hall and are brought out particularly when we have grammar school students visit City Hall to learn about the city. Today, the Carmel Mission is a National Historic Landmark administered by the National Park Service.

Former Carmel Mayor Eben Whittlesey visited Majorca in 1963 where he was given a lavish welcome. The mayor, who was blind, wowed his hosts as he had learned Spanish so as to address his hosts in their language. Carmel reciprocated for a visit of his Majorcan hosts who unfortunately arrived on the day of President Kennedy’s assassination. Since then there has been one more casual visit by a City representative.

Thus, there are several parties that have a vested interest in addressing this issue which has many parts.

Sue McCloud, Carmel

‘Violence, death and depravity’

Dear Editor,

I am sixth-generation Carmel, the former Carmel High School student body president/school board representative, and I served for two years as the CHS mascot. You would be hard-pressed to find someone who was louder and prouder to be a Carmel High School student.

I knew as a high school student that it was strange to have a religious figure as a public high school mascot. Now in my 30s, with significantly more historical awareness and a master’s degree in community development from UC Davis, I understand the full implication of having a “padre” (Franciscan friar) as a public symbol.

Mascots, flags and statues around the United States are being scrutinized under a renewed lens. No one can deny the history of violence, death and depravity that the Spanish priests brought upon the local native American peoples. The erasure of this brutal history of indigenous peoples is reified in institutional structures. The cartoon CHS padre makes light of the bloody European colonization of California. Educational institutions need to lead the way in creating consciousness.

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RENTALS

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low existing rental permits to continue in perpetuity, except under a few exceptions, and would permit new ones if built in conjunction with at least three other new rentals, including one for low-income tenants and one for those with moderate incomes. The use runs with the land, not with the person who owns it.

In general, Watson and Craig noted, vacation rentals can better accommodate

families and are often more affordable than hotels and are therefore “a high priority under the Coastal Act, and expressly a higher priority than residential uses.”

Nonetheless, they also acknowledged the city’s arguments that short-term rentals can bring noise, garbage and other negative impacts to residential areas.

While the new ordinance limits the number of vacation rentals, it also guards the character of the 1-square-mile city, which contains roughly 1,000 hotel rooms to accommodate visitors — a top priority for the coastal commission.

And, coastal planners noted, new vaca-

tion rentals are used as incentive for developing affordable long-term rentals, “something that is lacking in the city.”

‘Robust support, vocal opposition’

“As is often the case with proposed STR regulations, and is no different here, the proposed amendment has both robust support and vocal opposition, with some saying it unduly restricts STRs in the city, and others advocating for an outright STR ban,” Watson and Craig wrote in their report for the commission. “These are complicated and controversial issues, and reasonable people may disagree on how best to regulate STRs under the Coastal Act.”

Regardless, no one sent comments or

testified at last week’s hearing.

In fact, the matter garnered so little attention that it was moved from the coastal commission’s July 9 agenda to the consent calendar and recommended for adoption without discussion, which is exactly what happened.

“The new ordinance preserves transient rentals that were legally established in the commercial districts prior to July 9 but also provides opportunities for future transient rentals when combined with affordable housing units,” acting planning director Marnie Waffle told The Pine Cone this week. “We hope this strikes an equitable balance between visitor accommodations and local workforce housing needs.”

ARTISTS

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Fifteen years ago, while visiting his brother in Lake Tahoe, Wagnon began conversing with a gaggle of plein air artists and became intrigued by the lifestyle. One of them invited Wagnon to a workshop on Santa Catalina Island, where he met a member of the newly formed Monterey Bay Plein Air Painters Association.

She encouraged him to join, and that invitation changed the trajectory of his art career.

“I was living at the time in San Jose, where beautiful scenery can be a lot harder to find, so I began driving down to the Monterey Peninsula to paint,” he said. “The Monterey area is such a target-rich environment for a plein air painter that I sold my house and moved down here. It was almost like coming home.”

Social benefits

Wagnon has resided for the past five years in Seaside, where the glass-covered back wall of his studio features a sweeping view of Monterey Bay. “It’s so nice that it actually can be pretty distracting when I’m painting,” he said with a laugh.

No matter. He’s enthralled with working outdoors, breathing fresh ocean air and enjoying the brilliant colors around him.

He also loves the social benefits of plein air painting.

“We typically schedule three group paint-outs every month, and sometimes you’ll find 12-15 of us painting together at Point Lobos, or Custom House Plaza, or Garland Ranch,” he said.

When we don’t have anything scheduled as a group, somebody usually calls and says, ‘Hey, I’m headed over to Garra-pata tomorrow. Wanna come?’ It’s nice to get a call like that because it motivates you to load up your stuff and get out there.”

MBPAPA’s annual Signature Member show is in progress through Aug. 27 at the Pacific Grove Art Center, and will be followed in September by a two-month general membership show at the same venue.

“We’ve also done two virtual shows on our website during the pandemic, and we’ll probably do a third fairly soon,” Wagnon said. “Our artists send their newest work to our webmaster, who posts those paintings online. We vote on them, then give first-, second-, and third-place awards to the artists who get the most votes.”

Wagnon’s post-expressionist, representational landscapes and still-life paintings are showcased at the Haute Enchilada Art Gallery (behind the Moss Landing restaurant), and can be seen on his website at murraywagnon.com.

Additional information about the Monterey Bay Plein Air Painters Association can be found at mbpapa.org.

SPORTS

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very well. I came away feeling like he thought I was too young to work for him,” Cardinale said.

Three months later, he got the call. Cardinale was hired.

“When I showed up for work, the office of the GM — the guy who didn’t like me — was empty. He had been fired,” Cardinale said. “I worked more than two years as the assistant GM. With the GM job open, finally our CFO told Manny, ‘You’ve got to give Nick the GM job.’”

The Globetrotters promoted Cardinale in March of 2005 to the general manager position, a job that put him on the road for six months of each of the next nine years.

He flew to a different U.S. city every Thursday night to meet with sponsors and check in on one of the Globetrotters’ three touring teams, then flew home on Sunday night or Monday morning.

He also helped recruit players who had been recommended by the team scout, arranged the tryouts, and participated in the personnel decisions.

“Honestly, we were looking at guys who had given up on playing in the NBA,” he said. “We didn’t want to invest time and

money in a player who was likely to leave to play in the NBA’s developmental league or overseas,” Cardinale said.

“We also wanted amazing talent and good people — no bad apples — and guys with amazing skills,” Cardinale explained. “We’d put the tallest man in pro basketball, 7-foot-7, on the same court with a lightning-fast guard who was 5-foot-1, and it was magical.”

In December of 2013, Scottsdale-based Barrett-Jackson hired Cardinale away from the Globetrotters to become its executive VP and GM, overseeing its collector-car auctions, including a nine-day festival.

That event typically attracts up to 350,000 people, including celebrities like rock star Steven Tyler (of Aerosmith), pop star Justin Bieber, boxing legend Floyd Mayweather Jr., and pro golfer Bubba Watson.

For Cardinale, who today owns six collector cars of his own (his favorite: a ’70 Chevelle, fully customized, black and red), Barrett-Jackson has been a dream job for almost seven years.

He and his wife, Fawn, reside in Scottsdale, where they look forward to their third wedding anniversary in October. In 2014, Cardinale earned a master’s degree in business administration (emphasis in international business) from Arizona State University.

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HISTORY

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to rely on Sterling to edit his manuscripts for the rest of his career. He even trusted Sterling to work with his future second wife, Charmain, to make the final edits of “The Sea Wolf” and send it to his publisher while London was in Asia covering the Russo-Japanese War in 1904 for the Hearst papers.

London was paid well for the first two books Sterling edited. Contrarily, Sterling’s first book of poetry, “Testimony of the Suns and Other Poems,” self-published in 1903, drew great reviews, but just 200 of the 650 copies printed were sold. The rest were sent to reviewers and given to friends. Still, Sterling’s poetry and business success led to his membership in San Francisco’s Bohemian Club, a group with which he remained very active for the rest of his life.

Cave people

Another Emery revelation was the catalyst that prompted Sterling’s decision in 1905 to move to Carmel and dedicate his time to writing. In late 1904, the San Francisco Examiner launched a smear campaign against a real estate development group called the Realty Syndicate, which had Sterling as one of its directors. The newspaper’s campaign led to a state Senate investigation in early 1905.

The charges were eventually dropped when four of the senators were found to have taken bribes from the Examiner to open the investigation, but Sterling began disengaging himself from his various leadership roles with the syndicate and moved to Carmel.

The core of the Emery book is Sterling’s previously uncompiled novel, “Babes in

the Wood,” an interesting piece of fiction set in “300,000 B.C.” The first chapter, “The Sabre-Tooth” was published in the Feb. 1, 1914, issue of Popular Magazine. The rest of the book was serialized in subsequent issues but was never published in book form until now.

Sterling had edited London’s book, “Before Adam” (1907), about a man who has dreams about his past life in prehistoric times. Sterling edited that manuscript in Carmel and sent it back to London in July 1906 with the comment, “I think it is the poorest thing you’ve done.” Still, Sterling acknowledged, it possessed “interest,” adding that “when it comes to that you’re always there with the goods.”

In 1910, Sterling wrote a short play about cave people titled “The First Poet.” Of it, London wrote to his friend, “It’s one of the best things you’ve done in the way of good popular satire.” Sterling sold it to London so he could have it published under London’s name, which would garner a bigger payment. London sold it to Century magazine, and later published it in his collection of short stories “The Turtles of Tasman” (1916).

Sterling continued to be captivated by London’s cave people and suggested a collaborative sequel to “Before Adam.” London was not interested, so Sterling began writing the stories of prehistoric times on his own. In the summer of 1913, he finished his fifth story, “The Wrath of Lions,” and at the same time played a caveman in the Forest Theater’s 1913 production of Mary Austin’s “Fire.”

Whether you enjoy local history or locally written fiction, “Babes in the Wood” is a book worth adding to your library.

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OPINIONS

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It is time for the Carmel Unified School District board to show leadership and acknowledge that the Padre is not an appropriate choice for the school and use this as a teaching moment for the local community as they choose a new mascot.

Today, a movement of nearly 2,000 people have signed a petition to replace the Padre. I urge the CHS principal and school board to heed the call. In doing so, they will have me and thousands of CHS graduates to support them in doing what is right.

Jessy Parr

Bulldoze the mission?

Dear Editor,

Given the history of the area, it is wrong to call for the removal of the Carmel Padre, which has been the Carmel mascot for the last 80 years. It is easy to have a knee-jerk response and get caught up in the current virtue-signaling frenzy sweeping the country. These people who are demanding that it be removed want to make an impact on our community that most probably don't accept.

Unfortunately, most people are unwilling to speak up due to the strong emotions expressed about the history of the United States.

We should not judge people of the past

based on current mores. I am not Catholic, but I don't feel excluded, offended or slighted because the Padre is the mascot. It would be wise for the board to listen but not act at this time and let emotions simmer down a bit. If we were to change things that people disapprove of at any point in time simply because they cry the loudest, we would constantly be changing most things in our community, and that would be a shame.

Just who are these people who are demanding the Padre be removed? Have they lived here long? Do they understand the history of our area, other than the fact that, in their eyes, Father Junipero Serra was a racist and slave master? Personally, I find it very unsettling that these people should be allowed to have such an impact on our community.

And I would imagine the millions of people who have flocked to the Carmel Mission over the decades feel the same way. Why stop with the removal of the mascot? Do they want to bulldoze the Carmel Mission next? After all, it was where the slave master lived and spread his disturbing message.

Bill Colohan, Carmel Valley

Why garbage rates are increasing

Dear Editor,

I would like to make it clear to the community that the city council did not vote to increase GreenWaste rates. This rate in-

crease is coming at an extremely difficult time, especially for the business community. While residents will be pinched for another \$10 or \$20 per month, restaurants, hotels and retailers could feel hundreds, and possibly thousands, of dollars in raised fees. The rates were to be raised regardless of our vote.

This increase was based on a contract that was put into place five years ago. This council simply voted to maintain the same supplemental services our residents and business have received over the past 5 years. These services are:

- Backyard and sideyard service
- A village superintendent to ensure cleanliness of our downtown and Del Mar area
- Twice-daily collection of our public trash and recycling receptacles
- Shortened collection period to about three hours in the downtown area to minimize traffic on the streets and unsightly containers on the sidewalks
- Delayed start time to 7 a.m. to minimize early morning noise impacts to our residents and visitors.

We feel any changes to these supplemental services would not have been well

received by our citizens. It was this reason we voted. Many of us have asked GreenWaste Recovery to reconsider exercising their right to increase rates during this difficult time. Repeatedly they have denied these pleas.

We have asked the city attorney if we could find another service provider, but were advised that this would take quite some time and be a very expensive endeavor. We will continue to explore other ways to either change the contract with GreenWaste or cost-effectively change the contractor.

In the meantime, please understand that we did not approve this contract with GreenWaste. It was approved by a previous council and for the moment we're stuck with it. At least we will continue to have the same services.

If you have concerns with your waste collection service, contact the GreenWaste customer service manager at (831) 920-5475.

This letter in no way represents any other council person. It is my opinion and I am writing this to express my position only.

Bobby Richards,
Carmel city council member

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