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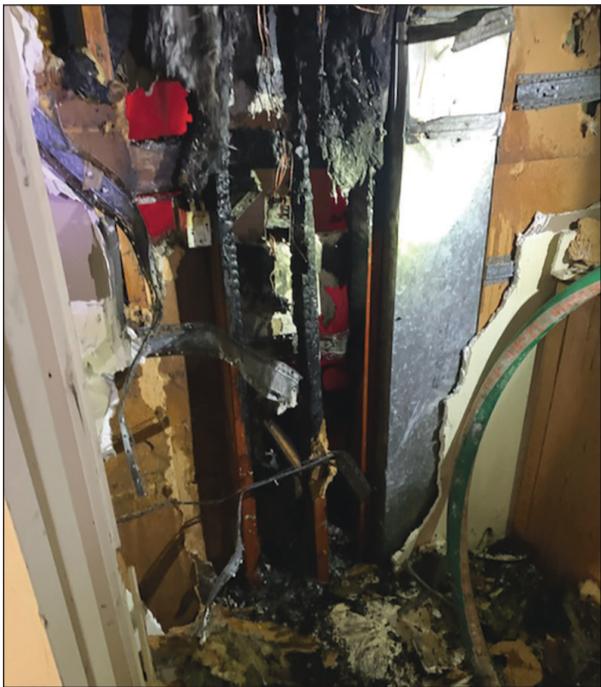
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## Smoking outlet, wall fire damage condos



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Firefighters had to rip into a wall to get to flames that threatened a 16-unit San Carlos Street condo complex, but they got the fire out before it could cause widespread damage.

### ■ Quick action spares complex

By MARY SCHLEY

A FIRE that started in a wall between two condos in the Villa San Carlos complex at the northeast corner of San Carlos and Eighth last Wednesday afternoon destroyed a kitchen and damaged a few other units. But it would have been a lot worse had the flames gotten into the attic, as they nearly did, Monterey Fire Division Chief Chris Grogan said this week.

A resident was making soup when she saw smoke coming from an outlet, felt the wall and discovered it was hot. She grabbed her cell phone to dial 911 and got out, according to a neighbor across the street.

#### Evacuated

“We were dispatched to a report of an electrical outlet that was smoking,” Grogan said, and because the emergency involved a fire in a housing complex, Monterey Fire sent three engines, and one came from Cal Fire just outside the city, to ensure enough people and water were available to fight it from the start. The city’s ambulance responded, too.

Firefighters evacuated four tenants, while several others had already gone outside on their own to see what was

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## City: How often do you feel the need to sit down?

By MARY SCHLEY

SHOULD THE Scenic Road pathway have more benches? Inquiring minds on the forest and beach commission want to know.

At their March 10 meeting, commissioners — who were unhappy they were not consulted before the planning commission approved 16 new locations for benches along the beach-bluff walkway last fall — said the installation of any new sitting areas should be based on the public’s need to sit down, not the need some people feel to memorialize their loved ones. But they also want to survey residents, visitors and others to hear what they think.

City forester Sara Davis said she and commissioner Brian Sours had earlier discussed ways to collect data to determine how people feel about adding more benches near the beach.

#### Need vs. want

“How can the commission make a recommendation without fully understanding the desires of people who use the Scenic pathway?” she asked, adding that they talked about setting up a survey online, by mail and in person along the walkway and outside the post office.

A survey would provide “a nice volume of feedback from the public on benches, whether it’s pro or con,” Sours said.

The decision to add more benches was “really being rushed,” commissioner Sarah Berling commented. She also noted that even during recent beautiful sunsets when

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## Hospitals, utilities, county step up cyber security

By KELLY NIX

WITH FEARS growing that Russia is planning to attack computers that run critical infrastructure in the United States, Monterey County government, agencies and businesses are ramping up security measures to thwart or minimize the impact from such attacks.

Although hacking and cyberattacks from Russia and other adversaries occurred long before that country invaded Ukraine a month ago, President Joe Biden Monday warned U.S. companies and government agencies of the latest threat and implored them to ensure their systems are secure.

Russia, Biden told top-level business executives, wants to retaliate against the United States for sanctions against the country following its unprovoked invasion of Ukraine.

“My administration has issued renewed warnings that, based on evolving intelligence, Russia may be planning a cyberattack against us,” Biden said Monday “And as I’ve said, the magnitude of Russia’s cyber capacity is fairly consequential, and it’s coming.”

#### 10 million attempts

Dan Kern, chief security officer for the County of Monterey information technology department, said his team has been monitoring the “Ukraine-Russia Conflict Cyber Resource Center,” operated by Sans Institute, which help governments and organizations “navigate the cyber risks surrounding” Russia’s invasion of Ukraine.

“We continue to focus our security training and communications on phishing, as this is the primary and most successful attack method,” Kern told The Pine Cone.

Phishing is a way for criminals get sensitive data by tricking computer users into revealing it.

By pretending to be a bank, credit card company or

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## C.V. airport gets plaque



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Longtime Carmel Valley residents will immediately recognize the landmark designated by this new sign. But did you know that Carmel Valley Village includes one of this country’s most historic aviation sites? See page 12A.

## COUNCIL ASKED HOW TO SPEND BUDGET SURPLUS

By MARY SCHLEY

THE CITY of Carmel is on track to end the 2021-2022 fiscal year with more than \$7 million in the bank, council members were told Tuesday. Some of that money could be used to pay for 30 projects and big-ticket items proposed for next year’s budget, they also learned.

Before delving into the proposed capital improvement program for 2022-2023, city administrator Chip Rerig said the general fund is expected to carry a positive balance of \$4.4 million when this fiscal year ends June 30, while the hostelry fund might have \$2.2 million in extra cash, and the Measure C sales tax fund could come in with a \$1.3 million surplus. That money would be above the 15 percent strategic reserves held each year as a matter of course and could be spent on anything the council wishes.

“All told, it’s about \$7 million, and that’s a pretty good number,” he said. “We don’t have a crystal ball, but we’re

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## CHS students take off masks, show smiles

By RILEY PALSHAW

FOLLOWING THE statewide lifting of the school mask mandate March 12, the majority of Carmel High students have opted to take their face coverings off in classrooms, leading to a noticeably more social and positive atmosphere around campus.

“Seeing people’s faces has been the shift on campus,” CHS principal Jon Lyons said. “I’ve noticed it even in just the past few days. People have pepped up.”

Two years after the initial shutdown of Carmel Unified schools in 2020, teens walked into their first-period classes March 14 mask-free. Despite starting the day

with an approximately 50-50 split between mask and non-mask wearers in class, most students had removed their coverings by the last bell and carried that decision into the following week.

#### Meeting ‘new’ people

“When I went into school that Monday, I realized that masks had become my idea of ‘normal,’” senior Josie Steiny observed. “I hadn’t seen many of my peers’ faces since my sophomore year of high school, and I was honestly baffled at the fact that I didn’t recognize some of

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While students were split between masked and unmasked on March 14, the majority were unmasked by the end of the week.

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# Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

## Super smart

THEY HADN'T had a dog in 40 years. But seemingly everyone, they reasoned, who didn't have a baby during the pandemic, got a puppy. They opted for the latter. Born June 10, Frankie Blue is an Aussie doodle — half mini Australian shepherd and half miniature poodle — whose vivid blue eyes remind them of the legendary crooner for whom their pup is named.

Once he was 8 weeks old, Frankie's people traveled from their Marina home to San Diego to meet their pup. But they left him in the capable hands of the breeder for another six weeks of training before collecting him and bringing him home.

"It was hard to wait for Frankie to arrive," his person said, "but I'm so glad we invested in his development. Even with all the training, he's still a puppy."



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At first, he seemed so manageable and well behaved, his people took down all the baby gates they'd installed throughout their home.

"We came home, and everything looked perfect," they said, "until we went upstairs, where we found socks and other things strewn about. The trainer said the more freedom we give him, the more he'll take. And, if he really values something or considers it his, he gets a little huffy."

Frankie returned to San Diego for a refresher course on house rules.

"We knew an Aussie doodle would be high energy, high maintenance, and super smart," his person said. "And he is."

He's also observant. One day, when his person was loading the dishwasher, Frankie carefully placed his chew bone into the utensils basket.

The first time he went to the beach near Lovers Point in Pacific Grove, Frankie backed away from the shore, unsure of the waves. Little by little, he inched his way back, his person said, until he got just a little wet. He loved it.

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# Shark meets unfortunate end

By KELLY NIX

THE SHARK that washed up at Stillwater Cove last week and was led back out to sea with the help of firefighters and citizens washed up dead the next morning, a spokesman for a state agency said this week.

The shark, mistakenly believed at the time to be a great white, washed up in Pebble Beach the evening of March 16. Cal Fire and California Department of Fish and Wildlife and citizens acted quickly to get the shark back to sea. While the shark appeared to swim off, it was apparently ill.

“It washed back up on Pebble Beach the next day,” fish and wildlife spokesman Ken Paglia told The Pine Cone. “It was collected by Cal Fire, then transferred to our wildlife officers, who took it to our lab for analysis.”

Paglia said pathologists with the state agency will be performing a necropsy to determine cause of death of the shark,

which was later identified as a salmon shark.

“Many salmon sharks that have stranded over the past several years have been infected with naturally occurring bacteria that enter the brain,” Paglia said a scientist told him. “Samples will confirm if that was the cause of death for this shark.”

### ‘Robust and fast’

Salmon sharks, named after their favorite food source, resemble great white sharks and are often mistaken for their larger, more infamous family members. Though salmon sharks are aggressive and capable of targeting humans, they rarely attack people, scientists say.

The salmon shark “is a robust, fast moving pelagic predator occurring on both sides of the north and central Pacific Ocean including the northeast pacific, California and Monterey Bay,” according to information from the Pelagic Shark Research Foundation.

# S.F. fisherman drowns in Big Sur

By CHRIS COUNTS

A FISHERMAN from San Francisco drowned Saturday at Sand Dollar Beach in Big Sur after a wave swept him from the rocks into the sea. The man, Zhi Neng Huang, 49, was said to be baiting the hook on his line when a wave hit him.

According to Big Sur Fire Chief Matt Harris, his agency received a call about the incident at 12:10 p.m. March 19. “We got there in a little less than 30 minutes,” Harris told The Pine Cone.

### Drone finds victim

The person who reported the fisherman in distress had lost sight of the man, so when volunteer firefighters arrived they began a search. After another 30

minutes had passed, a drone arrived and was launched.

“We located the subject face down in water a couple hundred yards offshore,” Harris said. “State Parks lifeguards paddled out and secured him. Then a Coast Guard helicopter arrived, and he was hoisted out of the water.”

The body was recovered shortly after 2 p.m.

According to Harris, surf conditions Saturday were “moderate” and “a little rough.” While it remains unknown if Huang could swim, he wasn’t wearing a wetsuit, the fire captain added.

Besides Big Sur Fire, California State Parks and the United States Coast Guard,

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## Police & Sheriff's Log

### Hurt feelings lead to window banging

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.

#### MONDAY, MARCH 7

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A 29-year-old male Seaside resident was arrested for being under the influence of a stimulant (presumed methamphetamine), resisting/obstructing an officer, destruction of evidence and felony vandalism.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vandalism to a vehicle on Lincoln in excess of \$400.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vandalism to a vehicle on Ocean resulting in damage in excess of \$400.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Cash was found on Ocean Avenue and brought to the police department for safekeeping.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Victim on Camino Real reported theft of her credit/debit cards and cash from her purse.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Female reported that her purse was stolen from inside a hotel on Ocean Avenue. No suspect information.

**Pacific Grove:** Conducted a vehicle

check on Sunset at 0338 hours for a municipal code violation and determined the driver was on probation. A search revealed they had possession of suspected methamphetamine. The 48-year-old male was cited and released.

**Carmel area:** Deputies responded to a report of trespassing at the Crossroads. The property owner made a private party arrest, and the 63-year-old female was cited and released at the scene.

**Carmel Valley:** Violation of a restraining order on East Carmel Valley Road.

**Carmel Valley:** Report of domestic violence on Carmel Valley Road.

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 8

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Welfare check on a Dolores resident. Checked OK.

**Carmel Valley:** Resident reported death of an elderly relative on Canada Drive.

**Carmel area:** Deputies responded to a reported theft on Carmel Rancho Boulevard.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report taken for a lost ring on Monte Verde.

See **POLICE LOG** page 8RE  
in the Real Estate Section



## The gavel falls

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

**March 16** — Michael Barwick, a licensed real estate broker, pled no contest to receiving an advance fee for mortgage loan modification work, in violation of Civil Code section 2944.7. As part of the plea agreement, Barwick must repay the advance fee. The maximum sentence he faces is up to one year in jail.

On Oct. 11, 2009, California made it unlawful to demand or receive advance fees for mortgage loan modification work. Demands for advance fees are often associated with real estate fraud because often the persons who receive the advance fees do not perform the work as promised.

Fraud such as this harms the most vulnerable people in our community.

Anyone who believes that they have been the victim of real estate fraud, including the payment of unlawful advance fees for mortgage loan modification work, should contact the Department of Real Estate or the Monterey County District Attorney's Office Real Estate Fraud Unit.

The case was investigated by District Attorney Investigator Alicia Cox.

**March 16** — Marco Damian, who does business as MD Towing, pled no contest to

five felony counts of taking a vehicle without the consent of the owner in violation of Vehicle Code section 10851. Damian will also pay approximately \$4,575 in victim restitution. The plea was taken by Monterey County Superior Court Judge Pamela L. Butler.

Between April 7, 2019, and May 6, 2020, Damian routinely towed vehicles from private property without the prior written authorization of the property owner or the property owner's agent.

Damian has not yet been sentenced. The maximum sentence is up to five years and eight months in jail.

The law governing private property tows in California is found in Vehicle Code section 22658.

Vehicle Code sections 22658(1)(1)(A) and (1)(1)(E) prohibit a towing company, or an affiliate of a towing company, from authorizing its own tows, except in narrowly prescribed circumstances such as when a vehicle is parked in a fire lane or is blocking the entrance or exit to the private property.

The case was investigated by Monterey County Sheriff's Deputy Scott Davis, and District Attorney Investigators Christian Quaglia and Tim Willmore.



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# Five teens found with stolen gun

By MARY SCHLEY

TWO MEN and a woman, all under 20, were arrested and taken to Monterey County Jail last Wednesday morning after police found a loaded stolen handgun in their car, according to Carmel Police Cmdr. Jeff Watkins. Two other teenagers in the vehicle were sent home.

Sgt. Mike Bruno was patrolling the beach parking lot at the foot of Ocean Avenue shortly after 2 a.m. March 16 when he saw a car parked in a handicap space without a disabled parking placard, and when he pulled up to investigate, the driver fired up the engine and drove off. He pulled the car over a few blocks away at Ocean and Camino Real, and while talking to the driver and four others inside, Bruno could smell marijuana and alcohol,



Reginald Williams

according to Watkins.

One of them, 19-year-old Reginald Williams of Marina, is on felony probation, which gave Bruno and Cpl. Rachelle Lightfoot cause to search the car.

“Bruno found a loaded firearm next to the driver’s seat in a fanny pack,” Watkins said, and when he ran the serial number on the 9mm Smith & Wesson handgun, which was loaded, Bruno discovered it had been reported stolen in Seaside last December.

The officers arrested Williams, as well as 18-year-old Soledad resident Lylha Alamilla, who was driving, and 19-year-old Isaiah Hudson from Marina, on numerous

felonies, including carrying a concealed

See GUN page 26A

# MUGGER GRABS WALLET, GETS CASH

By MARY SCHLEY

A MAN ripped a wallet out of a woman’s hand as she stood at the corner of Ocean and Casanova last Wednesday afternoon, and though a witness gave chase in a car, the thief disappeared into the neighborhood at the north end of town, Carmel Police Cmdr. Jeff Watkins said this week.

“He pushed her and yanked the wallet from her,” said Watkins, who described it as “a strongarm robbery,” and observed that violent crimes don’t happen in the city very often, especially in broad daylight.

“He took off running, and one of the guys from Lobos Lodge saw it and took off after him in his car,” he continued. “He

followed him to around Fourth Avenue, where he ducked into some bushes.”

Police officers sealed off that corner of town and searched through the neighborhood, which has narrow streets and a walkway that runs from east to west, and a Monterey County Sheriff’s deputy with a K9 came to assist, but the mugger got managed to escape.

The crook was described as a white male in his 20s or 30s, on the taller side and with a thin build, and blonde hair allowed to grow a little long. At the time, he was wearing dark pants and a camouflage sweatshirt.

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## POLICE ON HUNT FOR MAN WHO STOLE VAN, CATALYTIC CONVERTERS

■ City cameras help again

By MARY SCHLEY

EARLY THE morning of March 9, someone stole an unlocked van with the keys left inside at a home near Santa Rita and Third and then drove north to Guadalupe Street and removed the catalytic converter from a parked car, according to Carmel Police officer Greg Johnson.

The night before, a thief had taken another catalytic converter from a car in Marina, officers learned, and working together, with the use of camera footage, they figured out who it was.

Police haven't yet arrested 27-year-old David Coyt of Richmond, but he's got a

lot of outstanding warrants and will likely be picked up sometime soon, according to Johnson.

Surveillance video of the theft at California State University Monterey Bay and from the traffic cameras bordering Carmel helped police pinpoint Coyt as the key suspect. Johnson reviewed footage from the CSUMB case that included Coyt's vehicle and then went through video from the city's traffic cameras. "We saw it enter our city around 3:30 a.m.," he said.

**Eye in the sky**

The city's half-dozen cameras, which are located at key intersections, also

See **THIEF** page 27A

## Dangers of fentanyl use among kids focus of town hall Monday

By KELLY NIX

THREE WEEKS after a 15-year-old boy died from a suspected overdose of fentanyl, Pacific Grove Unified School District will host a townhall meeting on the dangers of the drug.

PGUSD Superintendent Ralph Porras said the town hall — to be held March 28 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the district office, 435 Hillcrest Ave. — will focus on the "dangers and use of fentanyl and its impact on our youth and communities."

Young people are often exposed to fentanyl through counterfeit pills made to resemble prescription drugs such as Adderall, Percocet, Xanax, codeine and conventional illegal drugs like heroin, methamphetamine and cocaine.

The town hall meeting will include the expertise of doctors Casey Grover and

Reb Close, emergency medicine physicians with the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula and physician leaders of the Monterey County Prescribe Safe Initiative.

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Grover told The Pine Cone this week that fentanyl — an ultra-potent opioid 100 times stronger than morphine — is added to many types of illicit drugs.

"Based on our clinical experience and local research, any substance bought on the street may contain fentanyl," Grover explained. "It is important for our community to know the facts about this scary trend, and how to use naloxone, the antidote for opioid overdoses."

Close said that non-fatal fentanyl over-

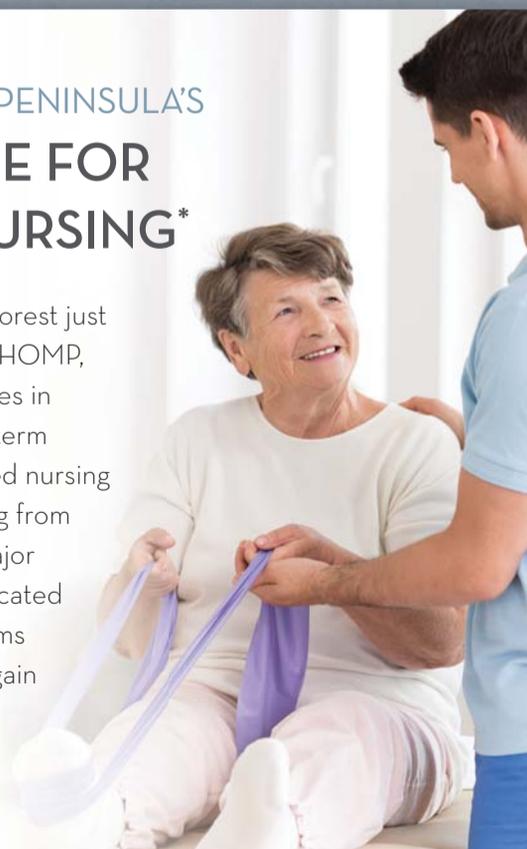
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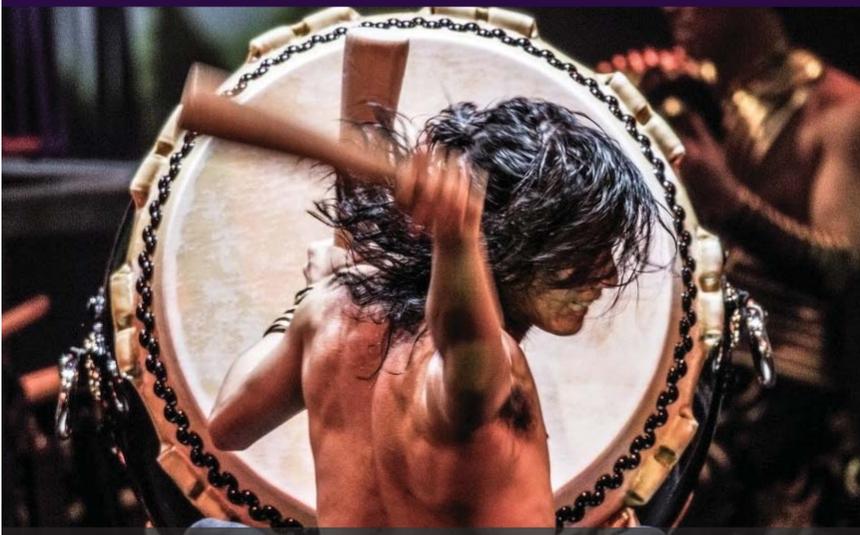
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# Scenic house to get modern makeover

By MARY SCHLEY

‘THIS IS an example of how contemporary design can serve our community as opposed to fight with it,’ planning commissioner Chris Bolton said of the proposed contemporary redo of a two-story house on Scenic Road that the commission approved March 9. “This is sensitive, the color palette is appropriate, and yet it’s a completely modern design without any reference to the past in a big way — especially not Carmel’s story-book cottage vernacular.

“It can be pointed to as an example of how to do it when it comes up that we shouldn’t have this kind of design.”

Bolton was referring to a group of people in town who insist contemporary architecture has no place here and is destroying the city’s character.

At their meeting, planning commissioners reviewed Andrew and Debra Rachleff’s application to remodel their bright blue, horizontal-sided, two-story home, which is taller than current codes allow and therefore can’t be demolished unless they’re willing to rebuild it to just 18 feet high. The couple bought the 1,650-square-foot house, which fronts on Scenic and on San Antonio, in late December 2020 for \$6,050,000.

### ‘More interesting’

Built in 1950, the residence has been altered over the years and therefore can’t be considered historic, according to principal planner Marnie Waffle. The Rachleffs want to retain its 20-foot height and add 530 square feet of space, as well as replace the garage with a smaller detached one on

San Antonio and add a basement and a second-floor deck with a glass railing.

Architect Braden Sterling came up with the contemporary design, which he said would “create some architectural detail just to make it more interesting,” including siding it with board-formed concrete and cedar siding and installing new windows and doors, as well as a bronze metal roof.

“The natural aging of all of those mate-



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Planning commissioners support the proposed contemporary redo of a Scenic Road house known for “its oddity” but not much else.

rials will only improve with time,” he added.

No one from the public commented on the plans, though two neighbors sent letters of support, according to Waffle, and planning commissioners had only nice things to say.

“Wow, what a great change, Braden,” commissioner Gail Lehman said. “I walk Scenic every day, and that blue is tough.”

Its impending transformation will make the home an asset, she said.

“Its only redeeming architectural quality was its oddity,” commissioner Robert

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# CITY SALARIES REBOUNDED AFTER SHUTDOWN-INDUCED DIP

By MARY SCHLEY

SALARIES AND benefits paid to city employees rebounded in 2021 from the previous year's dip, according to payroll data provided to The Pine Cone annually in response to California Public Records Act requests. In 2019, before the pandemic forced the city to cut jobs, payroll and other employee costs totaled \$9,380,149. In 2020, they fell to less than \$9 million. Last year, they came to \$9,025,993.

When ranked by "regular pay" — base salaries that don't include overtime, retirement contributions, vacation and sick pay, and other income — the city's department heads dominate the Top 10. City administrator Chip Rerig received the highest base salary of \$204,844 last year, followed by public works director Bob Harary (\$179,070), assistant city administrator Maxine Gullo (\$163,891) and former Police Chief Paul Tomasi, whose salary totaled \$146,855 before he retired from public employment last October to run security at the Monterey Bay Aquarium.

### Still No. 1

When all other compensation is added, including medical benefits, the order changes significantly, with public safety workers dominating the top 20 earners.

Rerig remains at No. 1, taking in \$296,944, including \$22,316 in deferred compensation, \$16,440 in retirement contributions, and \$17,896 in "other pay," a category that includes paid administrative leave, longevity bonuses, education incentives and other extras, like one-time Covid-19 "emergency recognition pay," according to finance manager Robin Scatini. Rerig was also paid \$9,832 for vacation time.

Tomasi rises to second highest, with a total of \$247,564, the bulk of it coming in

the form of \$31,483 in retirement contributions and \$36,995 in "other pay," while paramedic Myles Routh retains his spot as the city's top overtime earner, bringing in \$72,275 in addition to his regular pay of \$102,003. With other compensation added, Routh received a total of \$240,125.

Gullo's total came to \$222,038, including \$12,166 in vacation pay — the biggest check in that category — while Harary's overall compensation was \$216,347.

### Public safety at the top

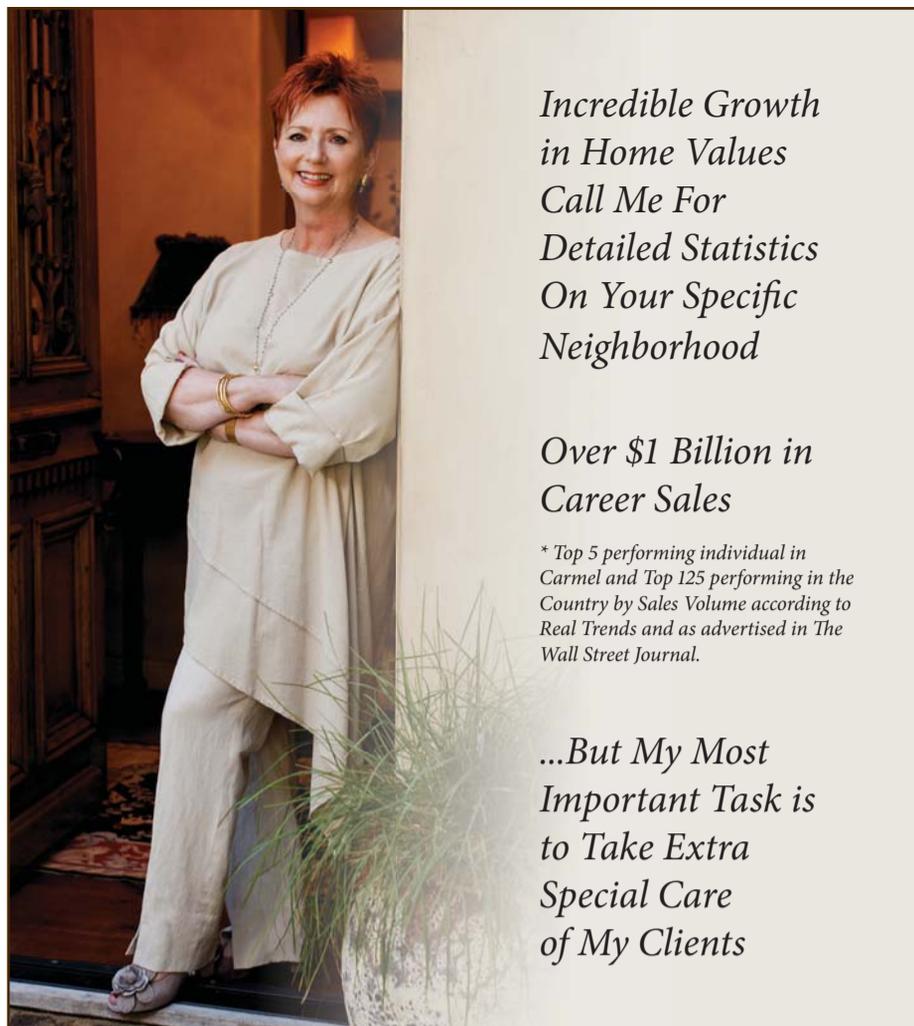
Police and ambulance employees fill out the rest of the top income earners, and for them, "other pay" also includes specialty pay for various higher level skills and jobs, extra compensation for filling shifts at higher ranks, and uniform allowances. Cmdr. Jeff Watkins received a total of \$209,602, including \$30,038 in retirement contributions and \$118,111 in base pay, and paramedic David Jedinak got \$208,683, with \$102,247 in regular salary and more than \$46,000 in overtime and "other pay."

Police officer Greg Johnson comes in the highest for front-line Carmel P.D. staff, with a total of \$207,176, including \$36,112 in OT and \$10,341 in vacation pay. Sgt. Ron Pflieger, who retired last year, is ninth in the Top 10, with total compensation of \$202,756. That figure included \$83,187 in "other pay," by far the highest amount in that category, due to payouts of his unused vacation and sick time, according to Rerig.

Rounding out last year's top earners is paramedic Isaac Eckel, who took in \$40,051 in overtime along with \$106,405 in regular pay, contributing to his total of \$199,634.

The list of 81 people on the city's payroll includes the mayor and city council,

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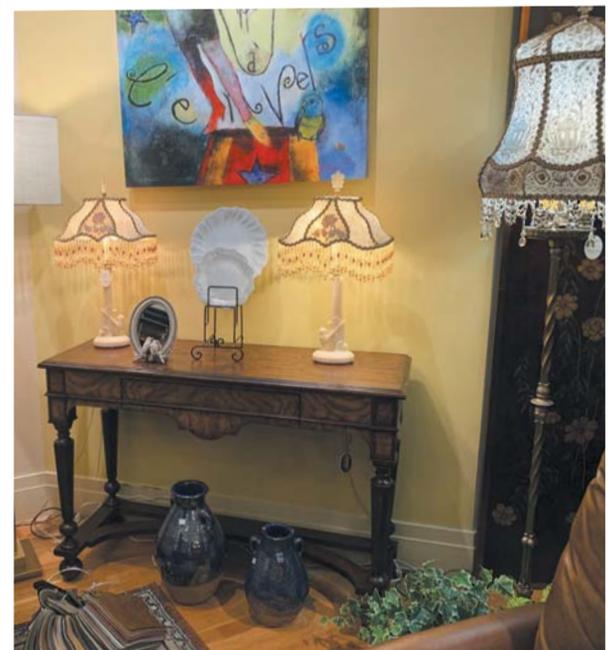
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# Pacific Grove refuses to publically disclose police lawsuit legal fees

By KELLY NIX

THE CITY of Pacific Grove has hired an attorney from one of the nation's largest law firms to defend itself against a lawsuit filed by a former police officer alleging the police chief and others violated his First Amendment right to free speech when they fired him in early 2021. But city officials are keeping the lawyer's fees secret.

The P.G. City Council, upon a recommendation by the city's insurance company, OK'd hiring Michael Joseph Christian with the Jackson Lewis law firm as lead counsel to defend itself against a complaint by former police officer Michael Gonzalez, who is seeking more than \$1 million in damages.

The Pine Cone last week requested the

Jackson Lewis contract, including Christian's hourly rate. On Monday — citing attorney-client privilege — city hall rejected the newspaper's public records request.

"Retainer or fee agreements between the city and their attorneys constitute confidential communications within the scope of the attorney-client privilege," the city told The Pine Cone Monday.

While the city refused to disclose the attorney's hourly fee, an online search of other Jackson Lewis attorneys show hourly rates ranging from \$275 per hour for associates to \$580 per hour for principals of the law firm, which says it offers discounted rates for public sector and nonprofit clients. The firm has "more than 950 attorneys throughout the U.S. and Puerto Rico,"

according to its website.

## Officer canceled

In January 2021, P.G. Police Chief Cathy Madalone fired Gonzalez after he reposted images on conservative social media site Parler, including "F.K Black Lives Matter" and "Free Kyle Rittenhouse" in November 2020. Months before that happened, Madalone had placed Gonzalez on leave in summer 2020 for putting stickers on his personal vehicle that offended P.G. City Councilwoman Jenny McAdams and some others.

"There is no dispute that Mr. Gonzalez was fired solely and expressly for his private, off-duty political speech," according to the lawsuit filed for Gonzalez by attorney Caleb Mason.

Gonzalez contends that McAdams coordinated with a small group of people, including a P.G. resident called Randy Fairgarden, who "embarked on a campaign to get Mr. Gonzalez fired."

McAdams and Fairgarden "destroyed [Gonzalez's] livelihood, not because of

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# Whole city block sells for \$10 million

By KELLY NIX

IT'S NOT often that someone purchases an entire city block — especially a block with more than a dozen occupied homes — but that just happened in Pacific Grove.

On March 8, a buyer identified only as Whispering Pines Cottages LLC paid \$10 million for a P.G. block, also known as Whispering Pines. The city block, which contains 15 charming homes, is bounded by Locust and Cedar streets and Pine and Laurel avenues. Realtor Debby Beck, who represented the buyers, said they are "very private people."

Patrick Stafford with Baird Partnership was the listing agent for the sale.

## All rentals

The block, which has an address of 831 Laurel Ave., consists of 20 subdivided parcels encompassing 36,000 square feet of land, according to records at the county assessor's office. Beck said the buyers have no plans to

make drastic changes to the homes.

"Their only intent is to maintain them, as they were not well cared for over the years," she told The Pine Cone. "All of the cottages are rentals."

While the city has identified the homes as historic, Beck said many of them have changed through the years and lost their

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# Moreno: Covid cases still declining

By KELLY NIX

**CORONAVIRUS CASES** in Monterey County continue to drop, though there has been a slight increase in residents being hospitalized for the disease, according to county Covid-19 data.

On Thursday, the county reported a seven-day test positivity rate of 2.2 percent, down .4 percent, while the seven-day case rate per 100,000 people was 4.3, compared to last week's 5.8. Both numbers are far below the Jan. 25 peak during omicron of almost 200 cases per 100,000 residents per day.

And while hospitalizations have ticked up, county health officer Dr. Ed Moreno said Wednesday afternoon that the overall Covid-19 trends are going down.

"At this point, case rates are decreasing, not as quickly as they did, say a few weeks ago, but they are still decreasing," Moreno told news reporters.

Moreno did not sound the alarm over a Covid-19 omicron subvariant known as BA.2. While county health has detected BA.2 in two specimens, Moreno wouldn't say whether he believed the subvariant would cause a surge of cases here.

"We will continue to look at the data over time to look at a trend, and that's really what

we focus on," Moreno said. "We try not to make comparisons on a day-to-day or just a few days."

The strain was first documented in the United States two months ago and caused roughly 35 percent of cases in the United States last week, according to the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Tuesday. That number is up 22 percent from the week before, the CDC estimated. However, the overall number of cases is low.

### Less likely

Moreno also would not say whether his department could do anything in advance to prepare for a possible BA.2 surge, and instead said people should get vaccinated against Covid-19.

"If you do get Covid, you are less likely to have a serious infection, less likely to be hospitalized and less likely to die from it" if you are vaccinated, he said.

Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, told the Washington Post Tuesday that while he would not be surprised if there was an uptick in cases, he didn't believe that there will be a major surge in the country "unless something changes dramatically."

# World's 'first airpark' honored with ceremony and sign

By CHRIS COUNTS

**CARMEL VALLEY** Airfield was not only an important part of the valley's infrastructure, it's also a colorful part of its history, and to memorialize that, a plaque was dedicated March 17 by Supervisor Mary Adams near the former airport.

The airport, which occupied 30 acres, was built by brothers Byington and Tirey Ford, who sought to create a community where homes had hangars instead of garages. But their timing couldn't have been worse — they planned a grand opening celebration for Dec. 7, 1941, the day Pearl Harbor was attacked by Japan. The war derailed their plans.

During the ceremony last week, Adams presented Historical Society President Kim Williams with a supervisory proclamation. The historical group paid for the marker, and one of its members, Jeff Ohlson, designed it.

The marker is located on a path adjacent to the Carmel Valley Post Office. It declares the property a historical site,

and notes that the Ford brothers sought to "open an airfield where pilots could park airplanes in hangar-homes."

The Fords sold the airport to the Del Fino family in 1952, and they closed the airport in 2002. The family sold the property to Ken Griggs, owner of Griggs Nursery, in 2020. About 10 acres of the former airport are now used for growing plants.

Mary Del Fino, who is 98, attended this week's dedication. Also in attendance were Byington Ford's grandson, Greg Henderson and James Keefe, who owns the post office property and gave the historical society permission to put the marker on his land. Several former pilots who flew planes there came to the ceremony, too.

While Griggs Nursery owns the land, a local group, Carmel Valley Save Open Space, is still seeking to acquire a portion at the east end of the former runway. The property would be used for staging emergency workers and equipment, as well as Santa's annual Fly-In. Eric Sand of the open space group told The Pine Cone.




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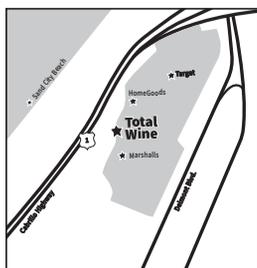


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# SURPLUS

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doing our best to estimate it.”

Chats with hotel operators in town suggested that occupancy rates and prices continue to be strong, Rerig said, speculating that the boons in sales and hotel taxes are in part due to pent-up demand from the Covid shutdowns.

“We’re seeing historic high daily overnight rates, and very, very strong occupancy in periods when there’s usually a little less occupancy,” he said.

But, he noted, “we don’t know if this euphoria will continue,” and therefore next year’s revenues are expected to be just a little higher than the \$28,447,230 anticipated in the current budget.

“We’ll continue to budget conservatively,” he said.

## Congress

At Tuesday’s special meeting, public works director Bob Harary and Fred Meurer, who assisted Harary while he was out on medical leave, recommended a dozen projects be carried over from the 2021-2022 budget because they haven’t been completed, yet. All told, they’re estimated to cost \$3,262,000 in city tax dollars and another \$653,000 from other taxpayer-funded sources and donations, and include the police station renovation, road and sidewalk repairs, getting rid of the disused well and tank in Mission Trail park, replacing the ambulance and developing plans for forest management, fire risk assessment and the libraries, among others.

“We always want to pay for things with somebody else’s money whenever possible,” Meurer said, regarding grant-funded work. “Because that, in the end game, really sets you up to receive even more of other people’s money by successfully executing grants that demonstrate your ability to put money to work.”

Of course, other than donations from Carmel Gives and other nonprofits and foundations, those funds still come from taxpayers.

## But wait, there’s more

On top of the dozen carry-over projects, Harary and Meurer listed a number of new or expanded ones, including increasing the scope of the renovation of the police station to include a community room and updated emergency operations center, taking care of deferred maintenance at Sunset Center, replacing city hall’s 28-year-old roof and the frequently broken street sweeper, and painting and re-carpeting Harrison Memorial Library. The additional projects total an estimated \$3,899,000 in city tax dollars and \$792,000 in grants and donations.

“There are more projects than money,” Meurer warned the council.

A handful of people commented, including Nancy Twomey, who said she’d like to see Forest Hill Park get more attention. “It’s been neglected for a very long time,” she said.

Library board trustee Tara Twomey supported improvements at the library. “Hopefully we’ll be able to open our doors even more soon as our capacity increases,” she said, which makes maintenance increasingly important.

Dale Byrne focused on his nonprofit, Carmel Cares, and

all the help, money and materials the group has donated since its founding in 2020, to the tune of more than 8,000 volunteer work hours and more than \$140,000 in “assets and services.” He encouraged the council to focus on standardizing the process by which volunteers take on and complete projects that would normally be handled by city employees and through the standard bidding process.

Byrne also noted that when he and other volunteers are working, they often hear from people wondering why they are doing maintenance and other tasks that should be handled by the city and for which they pay a lot of taxes.

Generally, the council expressed little interest in taking items off either list — though it and the public will have plenty more opportunities to weigh in as the financial numbers get honed and the budget is discussed repeatedly over the next couple of months.

“We are very fortunate to have fund balances,” Mayor Dave Potter said, referring to this year’s expected surpluses, some of which could be used to fund the capital improvement plan.

The CIP will be on the council’s May agenda as part of the 2022-2023 budget and will be reviewed by the planning commission for consistency with the general plan.

# FEES

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anything he ever did as a police officer, but purely because of his private off-duty expression of his political views,” according to the complaint.

Gonzalez, a conservative Hispanic man who was raised by a Black father for part of his life, told The Pine Cone that his posts on Parler were commentary on the far left, anti-police Black Lives Matter political organization, not Black people.

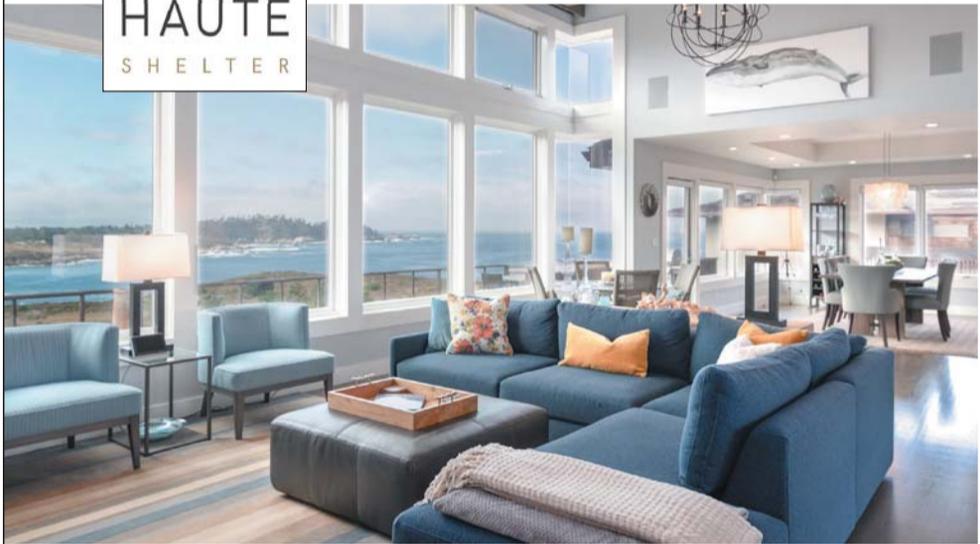
Before being fired, Gonzalez had an exemplary record at PGPD and had received the Police Officer of the Year award in 2017. He also earned a lifesaving award for diving into the water and saving the life of a drowning kayaker on his first solo day on the job.



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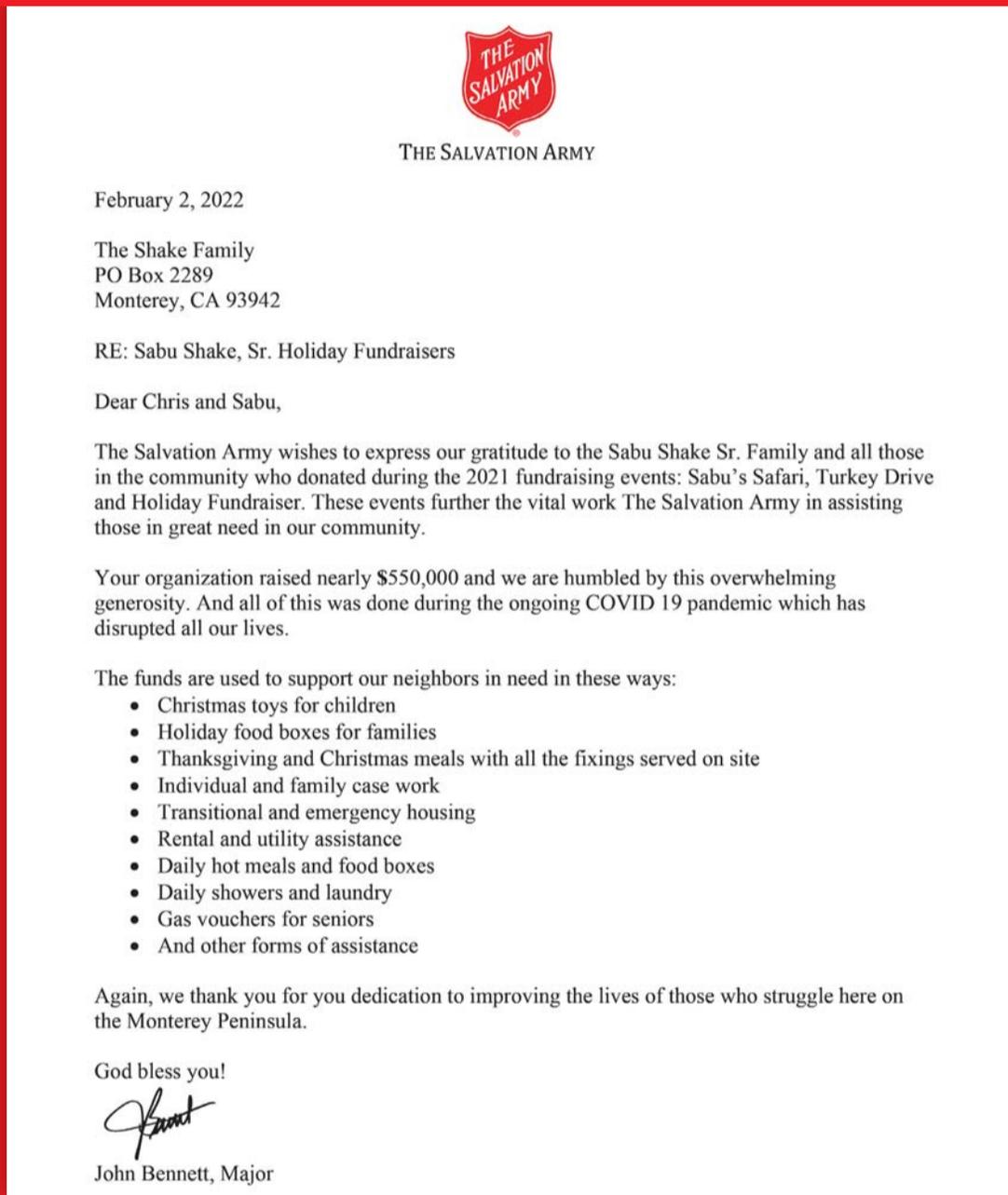


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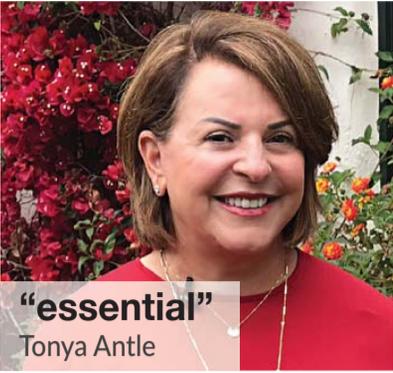
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# CYBER

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utility representative, or even a coworker or boss, a hacker can lure an unsuspecting computer user to provide passwords and personal information such as bank account and credit card numbers. Even sophisticated computer users can be victimized by phishing schemes, and because Monterey County government manages tens of millions of dollars and its departments contain names, ages, dates of birth, addresses, bank account information, health data and other confidential information for hundreds of thousands of residents, keeping the data secure is crucial.

"While the sense of urgency has changed globally, how people are targeted has not," Kern explained.

While phishing is one type of cyberattack, it can easily be prevented by making sure computer users are on the lookout for phony emails. But other computer attacks, including high tech things like denial of service, malware, and DNS tunneling, happen behind the scenes and are much harder to prevent.

### Steps taken

County governments, meanwhile, are common targets for cybercriminals. A February media report from Riverside County, for example, claimed that in 2020 alone, the county's IT system blocked more than 150 million attempts to penetrate its network and stopped 40 million phishing emails from reaching more 23,000 employees.

Monterey County's information technology department estimates it also prevents millions of cyberattacks and about a half million phishing and infected emails each year.

Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula spokeswoman Monica Sciuto said the hospital has a "robust cybersecurity program" which protects hospital systems and private patient and employee information.

CHOMP, she said, has "ramped up" its cybersecurity efforts to "meet the latest challenges" by "blocking network traffic to and from global countries of concern, including Russia, as well as countries that have been outspoken in their support of them." The hospital also follows cybersecurity alerts, including those from hospital vendors.

"With more services being hosted in the Cloud, there is a chance that a vendor or outsourced service may be targeted in a cyberattack," which could also affect the hospital, Sciuto said.

The hospital, she explained, "remains vigilant in our standard processes — which include patching security vulnerabilities, ensuring that computers have protection installed and updated, and monitoring network traffic."

"We continue to closely monitor our systems to ensure IT security is consistently maintained in the event of any attempted cybersecurity challenge," Sciuto went on to say.

To protect the integrity of Monterey County's elections, county registrar Gina Martinez said security measures are in place at all levels of the elections office in Salinas.

"We have taken numerous steps in this office to maintain the highest level of security standards possible," including upgrading servers, partnering with cybersecurity experts, meeting industry security standards, mandating cybersecurity training for employees, and worker background checks for all employees, even temporary workers.

"Even with these steps, we are always working on improving and enhancing security because we understand the methods used by those who would want to breach security are always changing and becoming more sophisticated," Martinez said.

Russia targeted election systems in all 50 states during the 2016 election, according to a bipartisan U.S. Senate report on the topic.

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Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20 has allowed local legislative bodies to hold public meetings via teleconference and to make public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the local legislative body. Also, see the Order by the Monterey County Public Health Officer issued March 17, 2020. The health and well-being of our community is the top priority for the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea. To that end, this meeting will be held via teleconference and in-person at City Hall located on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenue.

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Written comments may be submitted to the City Clerk at City Hall located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921 or P.O. Box CC, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921 or by email [cityclerk@ci.carmel.ca.us](mailto:cityclerk@ci.carmel.ca.us) prior to the meeting. With respect to written comments, please submit them at least 2 hours before the meeting in order to ensure they are provided to the legislative body and made part of the record. Comments received after that time and up to the end of the public hearing will be saved as part of the record but may not be provided to the legislative body prior to or during the public hearing.

The staff report and relevant documents will be available at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting at the City Clerk's Office, and on the City's website at <http://www.ci.carmel.ca.us>. The Council meeting will be televised live on the City's website and archived there after the meeting. For more information regarding City Council meetings, please contact the City Clerk's office at (831) 620-2016.

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Mayra Tostado, spokeswoman for Pacific Gas & Electric, which serves about 16 million people, said cybersecurity is a “top priority” for the utility, and the “safe operation of critical infrastructure is very serious and something we do not take lightly.”

“We are monitoring the current situation in Ukraine and globally, and working in partnership with industry peers, regulators, law enforcement and national intelligence agencies to monitor possible threats and to prevent incidents,” Tostado told The Pine Cone.

In June 2021, NBC News reported that a hacker tried to poison a water treatment plant that serves parts of the San Francisco Bay area. The hacker, NBC said, got into a program that lets users remotely control their computers and deleted programs that the water plant used to treat drinking water.

Similarly, in February 2021, hackers gained access to computer systems at a water treatment facility in Florida and tried to poison the water supply by increasing the amount of sodium hydroxide, or lye, in the water.

In both cases, workers caught the hacking attempts before they could do any harm. However, the efforts highlight the

vulnerability of drinking water supplies.

California American Water spokesman Evan Jacobs said that while the utility company has always taken a “safety and security approach to water and wastewater operations,” the company has specifically responded to the stepped-up threat of a Russian cyberattack.

### Remain vigilant

“We have taken a number of steps to help maintain the security of our systems, and work with local, state and federal government and agencies to prepare for cyber threats,” Jacobs told The Pine Cone.

Cal Am’s cyber security program and its technical security controls are consistent with the National Institute of Standards and Technology’s cyber security guidelines and best practices, he said.

Monterey One Water, the sewer treatment plant in Marina that serves more than 250,000 people and nearly 7,000 businesses in Monterey County, said it’s also addressed the threat of cyberattacks with workers and the public agency’s board of directors.

“We have reminded employees to remain vigilant in monitoring our digital systems, and discussed at the board level the need to be on alert,” spokesman Mike McCullough said. “We routinely participate in the Homeland Security System Analysis to review our security measures and monitor for potential threats.”

## Hearst Castle set to reopen May 11

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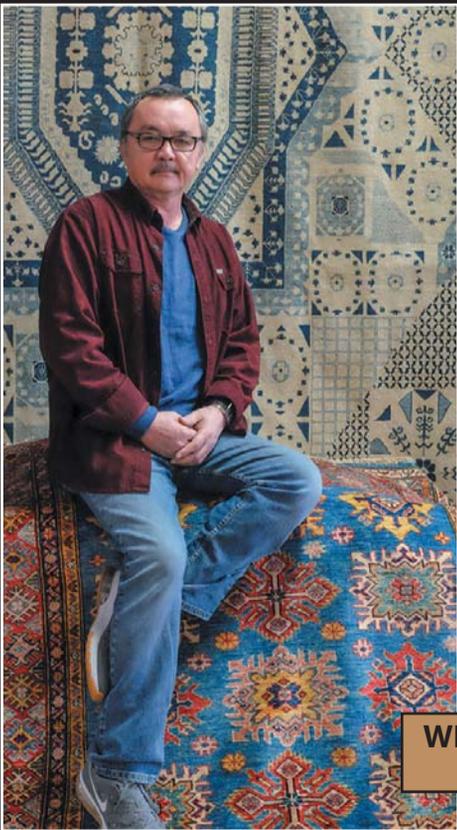
Covid wasn’t the only thing that shut the landmark down. In early 2021, heavy rain damaged the road that leads from Highway 1 to the castle. California State Parks spent nearly \$14 million to reconstruct the upper 2.25-mile portion of its access road.

Sen. John Laird called the site “a jewel,”

and said he’s thrilled it’s reopening. “I couldn’t be happier about its re-opening, with a safer and more rewarding experience for residents and tourists alike,” Laird said.

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# SIT

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the weather was nice, around half the benches along Scenic were being used.

"Everybody likes benches. It's not, do we want benches? It's, do we want benches every 15 to 20 feet?" commissioner Michael Caddell commented after questioning how useful a survey could be. "I have never seen every bench filled. Never."

Need alone should determine whether more should be added, he said, suggesting that forest and beach commissioners visit the walkway several times to gauge usage of

the benches already there.

"We are custodians of that view, of that pathway, of the beach," he said. "And we don't want it cluttered by things that are not contributing to the experience."

Berling said the pressure to add more benches comes from those wanting to memorialize friends and loved ones with plaques, not from the demand for more places to sit.

"I don't think it has anything to do with who sits where, personally," she said.

Ramie Allard of Friends of Carmel Forest chimed in to say people who want to honor loved ones can and should have tribute trees planted in their names, instead.

"Maybe we need to be able to give people another way so that they won't want the benches," agreed chair Darlene Mosley.

Resident and Carmel Cares volunteer Shirley Moon described the "bench creep" that has happened along Scenic over the past several years. "It continues to contaminate the entire pathway, because these are pieces of furniture that are permanent," she said.

## Consider the families

But Teresa Tellep, who has spoken in favor of more benches in the past, asked commissioners to take the families who want to memorialize their loved ones into account. "I just ask that you remember the bench applicant families, too, and do outreach to them," said Tellep, whose family is among them. "It's a beautiful pathway we all love."

She also said she hopes everyone can come together and hear each other's ideas.

Mosley observed the commission seemed to have consensus on monitoring bench use at various times of day and surveying people for their feelings on the issue via several different means to ensure a wide range of stakeholders get the chance to participate.

Commissioners did not set a timeline for when that might happen, and in the meantime, applications for and construction of new benches — even those approved a couple of years ago but not yet installed — are on hold, according to public works superintendent Rob Culver.

## Susan Belinda Draper

January 31, 1948 - March 11, 2022

"The only lasting beauty is the beauty of the heart" –Rumi

Susan passed away Friday, March 11, at her Carmel home. Susan, the youngest daughter of Jean and Ray Draper, was born in the old Carmel hospital. A fourth generation Carmelite, she is survived by her sister Wendy Ograin, brother Michael Draper (Ann), nephew Dr. Christopher M. Ograin (Dr. Monisha Motwani), great-nephews, Nikhil and Arjun Ograin, niece Catherine Calderon (Scott), nephew Rurik Draper (Alexandria) great-nieces Aurora and Lillianna 'Cobe' Draper.

Susan attended River School, Carmel Middle School, Carmel High School and Dominican College in San Rafael. An artist, she was very active in the community and supported Harrison Memorial Library, Pac Rep, the Carmel Foundation and the Big Sur Land Trust. She was also a volunteer docent at the Monterey Aquarium, a walker and hiker and world traveler. Born of love, acted out of love for family, friends and community, she will always in all ways be remembered in our hearts and loving memories of her 74 year journey. Susan was an exotic flower with a sweet fragrance and kind heart. Her love for animals and all people was tender and genuine. She had a love of nature. Her essence was peace and harmony. The beauty of her heart will live on.

The Draper family wishes to thank Dr. John Hausdorff, Kari, Araceli and Myra with deep gratitude for their loving care and attention.

A Celebration of Life will take place this summer.



*Alyce Marie Nunes*

Alyce Marie Nunes, age 94, passed away in the comfort of her home in the Carmel Highlands on the morning of February 11, 2022.

A native of Salinas, Alyce was the beloved daughter of Augustine Escobar and Sophie Grossi. While growing up on River Road she was the youngest of four children and attended Buena Vista Elementary School and Salinas High School. Alyce married her high school sweetheart and raised her four children with utmost love and devotion. We often say to this day that "She was the best Mom!"

In her later years, Alyce moved to the Carmel Highlands where her ancestry dates back to the early 1700s on the Monterey Peninsula. As a young girl, Alyce and her family would take Sunday drives down the coast to Point Lobos. She has been quoted as saying, "This is a bit of heaven to me."

Throughout her lifetime, she was actively involved in numerous charitable organizations. In 2005, Alyce received a prestigious award for her endless work with the Monterey Symphony. She was named President Laureate for the Monterey Symphony Honorary Council.

Alyce's passion for life and adventure led to extensive world travel but she always cherished coming back to the Big Sur coastline. She was graced with an outer beauty that was a reflection of her generous and loving spirit and to those who knew her well a mischievous sense of humor.

Alyce is survived by her children Tom (Margot) Nunes, David (Irma) Nunes, Ann (Gary) Kaye, Jim (Leighanne) Nunes and many beloved grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A heartfelt thank you for the love and support of Alyce's caregivers and friends who gave her the best of care in her final days. Forever grateful. Her beautiful spirit will be forever in our hearts!

A private Celebration of Alyce's Life will be held at a later date.

*Donations in Alyce's memory can be made to the SPCA of Monterey County or Hospice of the Central Coast.*

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## JOAN HATELY ANTHONY

1926 – 2022

Joan Hately Anthony died peacefully in her sleep on February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022, surrounded by loved ones in the house in Pebble Beach she called home for 75 years.

Joanie was born in Portland, Oregon, on June 2, 1926. Her father, James D. Loop, died two months later. Her mother, Maxine, remarried and moved Joan and her sisters, Jeanie and Robin, to Piedmont, California, where Joan graduated from Piedmont High School. She subsequently attended UC Berkeley and UC Davis, where she met her husband-to-be, Arthur Hately, Jr. They married on February 26, 1946, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Oakland, Ca., and moved to Pebble Beach. They settled down in a refurbished barn on the property of Arthur's mother, Hester Hyde Griffin, and raised five children: Barbara, Pamela, Sheila, Jonathan and Sam. Their marriage lasted 32 years until Arthur's untimely death in February 1978. Joan married Harry S. Anthony in 1985, becoming a stepmother to Harry's children, Lacy and Ward. They were married until his death in 2014.

Joanie was an active member of the Monterey Peninsula community throughout her life, and was adored far and wide for her warmth, charm, and unforgettable smile. Her contributions to this community are too abundant to count, so we want to highlight the causes that she loved, and enduringly called her to action. In her 75 years on the Peninsula, she was a member of the Casa Abrego since its founding, and the Junior League since its inception. She was also a charter member of the Pink Ladies' Auxiliary for Community Hospital, as well as the president of the first chapter of the Children's Home Society on the Monterey Peninsula. She served as president of the All Saints' Day School Mother's Club, belonged to the Stillwater Yacht Club, the Symphony Guild, and the Stanford Club of Monterey, and was a member of the Beach Club since its founding.

She was particularly honored to serve on the board of directors for the American Cancer Society for 30 years. Locally, she was on the board of directors for the Monterey County SPCA and volunteered for three years on the Monterey County Board for the U.S. Equestrian Team.

Joanie is survived by her five children: Barbara DuPont; Pamela Williams and her husband, Gardner; Sheila Thornley and her husband, Richard; Jonathan Hately, and Sam Hately, as well as her stepchildren, Lacy Voltz and Ward Anthony. She was known as "Gaga" by her five grandchildren, whom she adored: Hester Ware, Bain Smith, Mia Douglass, Rory Smith, and Francesca Thornley, and she simply couldn't get enough of her six great-grandchildren: Olivia Warr, Flora Warr, Hyde Smith, Helen Smith, Norman Thornley, and Madeleine Godina. Joanie was a doting grandmother, but a positively rotten influence on her six great-grandchildren, plying them relentlessly with sweets and treats without guilt or fear of reprisal!

She was supremely lovable, impossibly kind and gentle, warm and generous, and to the very last day of her life, just disarmingly beautiful. If there were ever a bigger sweet tooth on this earth, we never met her, but one thing is certain: Joanie is in a more heavenly place now, eating Cool Whip straight out of the tub.



# MASKS

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my classmates that I have studied with since kindergarten.”

But because many students have opted to not wear a mask, those who have decided to keep theirs on are left feeling a little out of place. As far as anyone knows, although many students at the high school have been diagnosed with Covid-19, none have been hospitalized, but some remain cautious.

Senior Bianca Sawyer admitted that she initially felt awkward wearing a mask, since in most classes it would just be her and a few other classmates wearing one. Although she’s since removed it, she said her worry over seeing a rise in Covid-19 cases after the mask mandate was lifted inspired her initial decision.

### Friendlier classrooms

“I, personally, will be keeping my mask on for the remainder of the year,” said sophomore Connor Grummon. “As someone who struggles with anxiety surrounding the pandemic, continuing to wear my mask will make me feel comfortable, especially when surrounded by my unmasked peers.”

Others are relying on their vaccination status, should there be a surge.

“Considering I’m vaccinated with a booster shot, I’m not very concerned about getting Covid,” senior Stevie Dean said. “I’ve decided to keep my mask off. If people are concerned about it, they should definitely get vaccinated or ask their teachers to be seated away from others.”

That question was raised by some of the CHS staff, too — should seating arrangements be split between masked and unmasked students?

Principal Lyons’ answer was no. However, should a student feel uncomfortable sitting next to someone without a mask or vice versa, they have every right to request a seat change.

“From a classroom perspective, you’re talking about a lot of kids and pretty cramped quarters,” Lyons added, “so we’ll do what we can to make students feel comfortable, and if they still feel on edge about things, we’ll see what

we can do to help them out.”

Generally, though, teachers are excited to be back in the classroom with kids’ smiling faces.

“It feels so wonderful to see students’ faces — some I have never seen before, even though I have known them for seven months,” English teacher Shelley Grahl said. “My classroom has more of a friendly feel with the addition of seeing smiles for the first time.”

That “friendly feel” seemed to be common in classes as numerous teachers reported that their students have been talking and interacting more. Math teacher Jody Roberts noted that she was surprised to find that some of her

students were more talkative with their masks off than on, and not always at the appropriate time. Science teacher Joe Mello also attested to this extra chattiness from students in his classes.

Ultimately, it seems a safe environment has been created for CHS students and staff alike with this new upbeat energy in classrooms.

“The students who want to wear masks, wear masks, and the students who don’t want to, don’t,” Grahl noted. “It seems like everyone accepts and respects everyone else’s choice, and on we go with the semester.”

*The writer is a junior at Carmel High School.*

## ROBERT (BOB) EDWARD BOEDDIKER

Approaching 101 years old, Robert (Bob) Edward Boeddiker departed this life on March 23, 2022, in Carmel, California. He was born on March 28, 1921 to mother Grace A. Long Boeddiker and father Wilhelm Otto Boeddiker

Bob was born in San Francisco at Saint Francis Hospital. He graduated from Lowell High School in 1938. He continued on to the University of California Berkeley to receive a bachelor’s degree in Business Administration, class of 1943, and then the University of San Francisco to earn a bachelor of law degree, class of 1949.

He was married to Jean Boeddiker for 20 years and prior to Jean, his late wife Shirley Peterson Boeddiker for 55 years.

Bob was employed by Marsh McLennan and later joined his friend John McCracken to form McCracken Boeddiker Insurance in Menlo Park.

He was very proud of his military service in the United States Marine Corps. Bob enlisted in 1942 and began active duty in 1943. He became a commissioned officer in 1944 and served in Hawaii, Guam and Okinawa in the mid 1940s. Bob was called back to active duty for the Korean War in 1951 and retired from the Marine Corps Reserves as a Lt. Colonel in 1981. Oorah!

Bob was passionate about service and was an active member of the Menlo Park Kiwanis Club for more than 30 years. He served as the director of the Menlo Park Fire Protection District and he was also the director of the Palo Alto Boys Club for many years. His other passion was golf. He was a founding member of Sharon Heights Golf and Country Club in Menlo Park and it was in his ’90s when he received not one but two holes-in-one. Today there is an annual golf tournament in his honor called the Bob Boeddiker Invitational at Monterey Pines.

Bob is survived by his spouse, Jean Boeddiker; and his children, Bob, Jim (Maggie), Tom (Margaret), Kitty (Larry), Bud (Chris), Carol (Doug), Bill (Bob); seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

**A funeral service will be held at Carmel Mission on Wednesday, March 30 at 11 a.m.**



## Ukrainian quartet to play fundraising show

TICKETS WENT on sale this week for an April 25 concert at Sunset Center by Dakhabrakha, an award-winning music quartet from Ukraine.

Besides serving as musical ambassadors of Ukraine, the group’s members have spoken out against the threat Russia poses to their country since at least 2014, chanting phrases like “Stop Putin!” and “No War” at live shows.

The concert will help raise money for charities seeking to help people harmed by Russia’s invasion of Ukraine.

Sunset Center executive director Christine Sandin told The Pine Cone she saw the group perform at a music festival in Seattle in 2014, and was astonished by their sound, which is anything but traditional. “I had never heard anything it,” Sandin said. “It’s truly music without borders. I thought, ‘How can I bring these artists to Carmel?’”

Last month, when she learned Russia had attacked Ukraine, Sandin’s wondered how the group was doing. “I inquired through an agent who is a friend, and found out they were starting a spring tour,” she said. “I begged the agent for a date, and it turned out they had one.”

Proceeds from the concert will benefit prorizne.org, a charity that was chosen by the members of Dakhabrakha. Tickets start at \$40. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. Call (831) 620-2048.



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## SANFORD MARTIN SHAPIRO

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Long-time resident of Monterey and Carmel, Sanford Shapiro passed away after a short battle with cancer on March 2, 2022, with his beloved wife and best friend, Debbie, by his side. During his life as an educator and consultant, he made an impact and lasting impression on the many students, families and colleagues that he worked with here and around the country.

Sanford was born in Brooklyn, New York to Ruth and Irving Shapiro. After graduating from Keene State College, he traveled to Australia to teach and begin his journey exploring the world. Returning stateside, he visited Monterey in the late 1970s, fell in love with the area and decided to make it his home. In 1983, he answered an ad in the Pine Cone for a teaching position at a new school, The Thomas Allyn School (now known as Chartwell School). Director Jefferey Allyn hired him and together they launched and taught the first school on the peninsula expressly for students with dyslexia. Beginning with a single classroom of 8 students, enrollment quickly increased necessitating hiring more teachers and moving to a larger facility. Today Chartwell’s enrollment is over 140 students, and although many have contributed to its enduring success, much credit is deserved by Jeff Allyn and Sandy Shapiro for providing the foundation and setting the standard in those early fledgling years.

Sanford met Deborah Veerhusen in Halibut Cove, Alaska in 1988, and they married in 1990 at Mission Ranch in Carmel before moving to Connecticut. Over the next 15 years, Sanford dedicated his life to working with students having learning differences in various capacities: teacher, advocate, consultant, Head of School, but he particularly enjoyed speaking and sharing his expertise with other educators and professionals at conferences. In 2005, Sandy and Debbie moved to Bend, Oregon where he began The Bend Learning Center to provide assessments, tutorials, and consultation for students and their families.

Upon retiring in 2017, Sanford and Debbie fulfilled their dream of living abroad by moving to Cuenca, Ecuador and immersing themselves in the culture and community. It was there that Sandy wrote two children’s books that dealt with learning differences and the strengths that often accompany them. A gifted artist, Sean Geddes, who was also a student from that first class at Thomas Allyn School, illustrated both books.

For the many people who knew and loved Sandy, there are no words or comfort for the sense of loss left by his sudden and untimely death. He is survived by his wife, Debbie; his two stepsons, Adam and Brett Veerhusen; his brother Steven Shapiro; his sister Joni Shapiro Fishman (Gary) and many nieces and nephews.



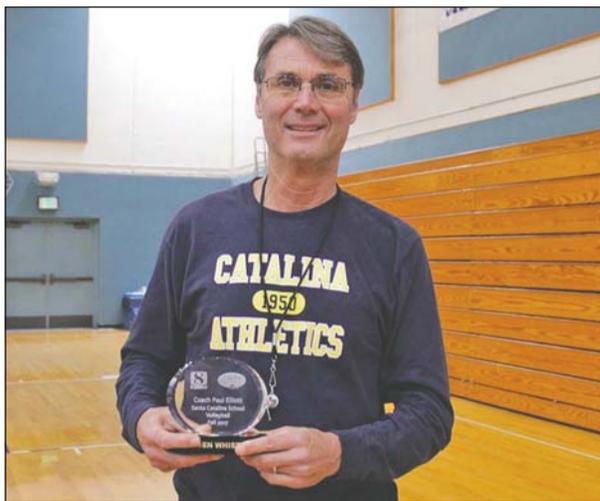
# Santa Catalina volleyball coach returns to home court — in Oregon

FOR ALL his success on the hardwood, Paul Elliott has decided to return to his volleyball roots, which grew in the deep sand.

Elliott was a professional beach player before he began coaching the indoor women's squad at Southern Oregon University, where, from 1991-2006, his teams won 381 times — the most victories in the history of the school, and the most in the Cascade Collegiate Conference. When he left SOU in 2011, his career winning percentage (.697) ranked No. 7 all-time in the National Association of International Athletics — the small-college version of the NCAA at the time.

After 13 seasons as head coach and athletic director at Santa Catalina (including the 2020 Covid year, when no games were played), and two previous seasons at Notre Dame in Salinas, Elliott is returning to Southern Oregon University to coach the university's newly created women's beach volleyball team.

"For me, it's full-circle — almost like a halftime retirement," said Elliott, who will celebrate his 65th birthday in April. "Santa Catalina was the greatest job I've ever had,



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Paul Elliott was the National Association of International Athletic's seventh-winningest coach at Southern Oregon University before becoming Santa Catalina's volleyball coach. His volleyball teams won 196 times at Santa Catalina, including two 27-1 seasons.

Division 4 playoffs both years.

Elliott came to Santa Catalina for the 2009-10 school year and guided the Cougars to the CCS playoffs in each of his first nine seasons, winning five league championships, two CCS Division 5 titles, and reaching the NorCal finals in 2016 (Division 5) and 2017 (D3).

### Two NorCal title games

Each of those teams took a 27-0 overall record into the NorCal championship game, where they lost to Marin Academy (2016) and Abraham Lincoln of San Francisco (2017), both times by 3-1 scores.

"That two-year run really does sit at the top of my book of thrills," he said. "A lot of times, when you reminisce, the scoreboard isn't necessarily a part of it, but those teams were such well oiled machines that I could focus more on the mental part of the game, and the chemistry. Sometimes, with a great team, the coach is mostly a facilitator, and that's often how I felt with those teams."

As head volleyball coach at the two Monterey County schools, Elliott's teams went 245-91 — 196-74 at Santa Catalina. Multiple Cougars went on to play intercollegiate volleyball, and Catalina players were all-league or all-division 26 times, all-county 16 times, and Player of the

Year three times.

He also assisted with Catalina's basketball and softball programs, and coached golf, track and tennis at the middle school, and taught physical education pre-kindergarten through high school.

"He was such a fun coach to play for," said Lizzy Tardieu (Class of 2014), a multi-sport athlete who earned league MVP plaudits as a libero in volleyball, then played at the University of San Diego. "Paul brought a really great, positive energy to the program — always upbeat and positive — and his practices were never boring, always intense. He was always sweating at the end because he worked as hard as we did out there."

### Deeper commitment

But the opportunity to coach college athletes again at a university where his legacy is well established was alluring, said Elliott, who also is likely to teach at least one class at SOU as an adjunct professor.

"College kids are the cream of the crop," he said. "Everybody on your team was a league MVP in high school, and they have a commitment level that's much

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## Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

because I've been treated great here. Relationships are at the forefront of everything we do at Catalina, and the administration, my colleagues and the students have been wonderful to work with."

### A slew of awards

At SOU, Elliott was named conference or region Coach of the Year eight times and compiled nine consecutive 20-win seasons. From 2001-2005, the Raiders went 105-29, winning 16 straight regional tournament matches.

His first coaching job on the Monterey Peninsula was at Notre Dame High in Salinas, where his 2007 and 2008 Spirits went 49-17, won a league championship, and reached the semifinal round of the Central Coast Section

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deeper.

“By your junior year of high school, you’re wondering, ‘Do I want to keep doing this, or would I rather have fun and play intramurals in college?’ If you’re a college athlete, you’re hardwired to keep grinding all the way through.”

Recruiting for his 2023 spring team already has begun, said Elliott, who, while still performing his multi-pronged duties at Santa Catalina, is scouting players at Friday beach volleyball tournaments hosted by Monterey Peninsula College and Gavilan, West Valley and Cabrillo colleges.

“I think there will be a learning curve for me as a sand coach,” said Elliott, who initially has a five-year deal with the university. “I know all the rules, of course, I’ll need

to get myself up to speed with recruiting — something I haven’t done for 16 years — and with how I partner our players, based on chemistry and athletic capabilities ... things like that.”

### ‘Little Santa Cruz’

He expects to miss friends he’s made locally, and the unmatched beauty of the Peninsula, but said he also loves the city of Ashland (population 23,000), where the university is located.

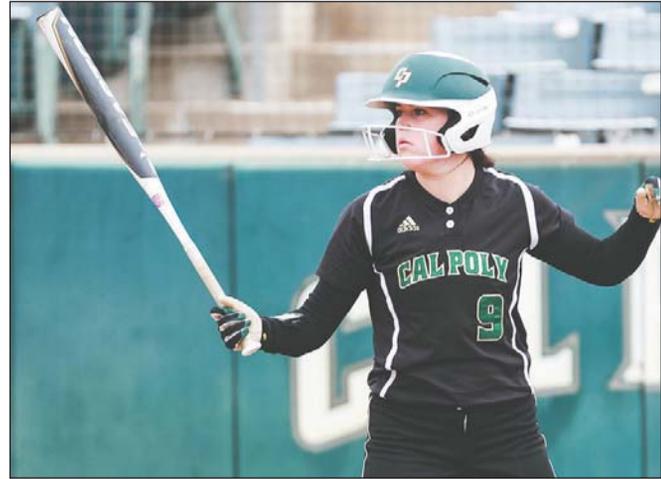
“The nickname for Ashland is ‘Little Santa Cruz’ because it has an eclectic population with a little bit of diversity,” he said. “There’s good food and wine, Shakespeare, wonderful Friday-night art walks ... it’s a town with a very free spirit. You can people-watch there, just like you do in Santa Cruz. Plus, the cost of living is much less.”

He said his wife, Jody (Mink) Elliott, a Peninsula nurse who works in hospice care, also is embracing the change, in part because two of their three daughters live near Ashland.

**Alumni watch:** Former Santa Catalina softball standout Jessica Clements is the leading hitter this season at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo with a .433 batting average, 29 hits, and a .466 on-base percentage (all team highs), 32 total bases, and a .478 slugging percentage.

A redshirt freshman, Clements has started all 20 games this year.

She helped the Cougars to a 21-1 record and a Central Coast Section championship in her junior year at Catalina, where she was a four-year letterwinner in both softball and volleyball.



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Santa Catalina alumnus Jessica Clements, a redshirt freshman, has emerged as the top hitter at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo.

## Nahla

Nahla is a beautiful gal with tidy white socks and a huge grin! Nahla loves to play, and would love to have a playful canine companion in her new home. Nahla is a pro cuddler and would love to find a family who appreciates her skills.



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# Editorial

## Discretionary nightmare

WHEN THE California legislature decided last year to grease the skids for new housing to help alleviate the state's massive shortage, what got all the headlines was the rezoning of single-family neighborhoods for apartments. But an even more important step was to let all those new apartments bypass much of the permit process by making them exempt from CEQA and declaring their permits to be "ministerial" as opposed to "discretionary."

Those words may not be familiar, but they are fraught with importance for property owners. "Ministerial" means all your project has to do to get a permit is meet objective criteria such as lot coverage, height and setbacks. "Discretionary" means it has to do all that, plus survive a gauntlet of public hearings to determine if your neighbors, the public and the people at city hall happen to like it.

If they don't, you could be in for a special kind of expensive, time-consuming and frustrating permit hell.

To see what that's like, all you had to do was watch the hearing the other day for Patrice Pastor's latest plan for The Pit at Dolores and Fifth. The Pit is an eyesore that's been there for more than three years. In 2018, the previous owners received approval for a modern-style project they called Del Dono Court (see "Approved," below), but then ran out of money, leaving a stark, unfinished basement as a monument to their failed efforts.

For more than a year, The Pit languished, until Pastor, at the urging of city officials, stepped up to buy the land for \$9 million and hire a team of experts to revise the plans in a more traditional style and get the thing built. Unfortunately, he would need a "discretionary" permit to do that.

Last April, Pastor and his team presented what they thought was a beautiful update of The Pit project, now called Ulrika Plaza, including 15 shops and 12 apartments. It was a little smaller than its predecessor and had many of the same features, but instead of being stark and modern was a combination Tudor and Mediterranean architecture — two styles that are very common in Carmel-by-the-Sea. Pastor's group had vetted the plan at an informal town meeting and gotten nothing but favorable feedback. But the planning commission said the design (See "Rejected 1," below) was terrible.

"It's two conflicting styles," claimed one commissioner. "A hodgepodge."

"We cannot lower our standards just because we're tired of looking at The Pit," said another.

A third planning commissioner called Pastor's plan "a very serious deviation from our standards, not just in style, but in size," and a former member of the commission called the design "phony" and compared it to "putting lipstick on a pig."

With those choice words ringing in their ears, Pastor and his team spent the next 10 months, and what had to be a great deal of money, completely redesigning The Pit. Two weeks ago, they came back with a totally new look, an even smaller design, and what they believed were all the changes the planning commission asked for. But, once again, they were welcomed like Covid at an old folks' home. (See "Rejected 2," below.)

Our favorite comments were, "Just because the original project was approved at 23,200 square feet doesn't mean you can have that much." (Note to commission: Why doesn't it mean that?) Also, "this project is the antithesis of Carmel charm," not to mention, "I liked the Tudor/Mediterranean design better." They even suggested that only a local could design a building worthy of Carmel. Frank Lloyd Wright, are you listening?

The planning commissioners' comments, mind you, were 100 percent discretionary, which is to say they represented merely the individual preferences of the people speaking. No wonder the Legislature doesn't want anything it cares about to go through such an arbitrary, capricious and unfair process.

The City of Carmel has written rules for development, and anybody who wants to build should be expected to meet them. But architecture is not something that can be done by committee.

We urge the planning commission to rein in their desire to micromanage style and taste. You are there to set the rules for development and to stop things which are utterly inappropriate from being built. Otherwise, leave it to the experts, including architects and your own staff. And always give the property owner the benefit of the doubt.



## BEST of BATES



"They say he's with the planning commission."

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### Uniqueness in danger

Dear Editor  
It appears our obsession with safety is coming after yet another tradition that makes Carmel special. The town has managed for over 100 years without house numbers, but suddenly fixing it is a priority in the name of convenience and safety. What is next? The beach fire debate reached the point of absurdity.

Let's fire that one up again. How about the lack of streetlights and uneven sidewalks? You're not still grilling with charcoal, are you? How about those dogs running loose on the beach? It's only a matter of time before the council tries to "fix" something you care about.

Save those "countless hours" by forgetting about Amazon and shopping local. Focus on preserving the things that make Carmel-by-the-Sea unique.

Chris Kitterman,  
Carmel

### 'Yes' to house numbers

Dear Editor,  
I have been a Carmel resident for only 20 years, but they have been 20 years of frustration. Earlier, life was simple. We received a few packages and a notice in our tiny mailbox, unless we were fortunate to get a bigger box or, if lucky, a golden key to a locker and no wait while someone in front of us decided what commemorative stamps to buy. I digress, but once someone complimented me and said you must be a true Carmel resident since I had two boxes.

Now we have USPS, FedEx, UPS and Amazon delivery idiots. Pick your poison, all are bad, and the post office is no better and will send back packages even if you have the long zip code.

Carmel residents, have you wasted an hour on hold trying to resolve an address problem and explain for the 1,000th time our address system, or tried to get a credit card and had to explain you were not a threat to homeland security since your address doesn't exist?

Have you also been inundated by Amazon packages wrongly delivered to 93921 when the person is in 93923? After 20 packages were dumped in my garden, I put out a big sign, but Amazon just dumped them by the sign. I was able to chat with someone at Amazon, who apologized profusely and said I can keep the packages, but so far, no computer, just socks and T-shirts.

Dear city council, please, please vote yes on house numbers, and I will even send you each a package of socks from Amazon.

Tony Kendall, Carmel

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# A box of poisoned marshmallows

IN DECEMBER 1908, Alice MacGowan and her sister, Grace MacGowan Cooke, arrived in the fledgling writers' colony of Carmel. They were financially independent and among the most successful of the town's early residents. Each had multiple books in print, including two that they co-authored. The writings of both also appeared regularly in newspapers and magazines across the country.

They had followed writers Upton Sin-

Cumberlands" just before coming to Carmel, completed her next novel, "The Wiving of Lance Cleaverage," in early 1909. It was serialized in Putnam's Magazine beginning in April and published as a book in September. In December 1909, Putnam's began serializing Alice's next novel, "The Sword of the Mountain."

Even amid their independent work, they claimed joint authorship of a short story, "The Wisdom of Yesterday," published in the August 1909 issue of Everybody's Magazine. The piece delicately dealt with the issue of race in the South, as a former slave was denied communion in the church of his former master.

Everybody's also other co-authored stories addressing race — "Shadow," published in March 1910, and "The Side Door" in July 1910.

### Visiting a Hopi village

In the summer of 1910, the sisters took an interest in the creation of the new outdoor Forest Theatre, with Grace's daughter Helen and Alice being cast in the opening production, "David." Grace's "The Power and the Glory" and Alice's "The Sword of the Mountain" were published as books in the fall of 1910.

At the end of the year, Grace took her daughters on a new adventure. They traveled to a Hopi village in Arizona where Grace gathered material for a new book. While she absorbed the native culture during the first part of 1911, even grinding corn as part of a native ceremony, she found time to complete and submit an unrelated metaphysical romance, "The Gates of Hell," for the April 1911 issue of Esquire.

She and her girls returned to Carmel in time for Helen to be cast in the Forest Theatre production of "Twelfth Night" and both girls, along with their aunt Alice, were in the Serra Pageant mostly written by Perry Newberry, with some collaboration by Alice.

The next year, 1912, the Serra Pageant

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## History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

clair and Michael Williams to Carmel. The four of them were among the writers that had briefly lived together at the experimental writers' commune called Helicon Hall in Englewood, N.J., before it was destroyed by a fire in early 1907. In Carmel, the sisters, along with Grace's two children, moved into a large, comfortable home that had been built a few years earlier near the shore on 13th Avenue. The 1910 census showed they had a Chinese cook, Pon Sing, living with them to assist in the household.

### Collaborators

While the sisters collaborated on their concepts, during their early years in Carmel, most of their writing was independently credited. Grace published stories that were syndicated in multiple newspapers, and from November 1908 through May 1909, Ladies' World serialized her novel, "Hearts Insurgent." Lippincott magazine published Grace's complete novelettes, "The Flight of Robert Sevier," in January 1909, and "The Royal Line," in June 1909. Lippincott also published Grace's short stories, "To the Manner Born," in July 1909, and "The Contamination of Augustus" in August 1909. Grace's next big novel, "The Power and the Glory," first greeted readers in serial form beginning with the August 1909 Delineator magazine.

Alice, who had published "Judith of the

# They told her to be practical — and she did her very best

AN ABIDING love for the ocean and her passion for creating art have become Darcy Russak's North Star, guiding her through difficult times and helping her become the optimistic, goal-oriented person she is today.

Life is good now that she's finally granted herself permission to live it on her

snorkeling, and the scales of the fish I see reflected in the sun."

The euphoria she experiences today from making her art and enjoying the sea has been a long time coming for Russak, who showed artistic talent as a youth, but was nudged in more pragmatic directions.

"I did my artwork and won all kinds of prizes growing up, but my parents kept saying, 'You're not going to be an artist ... you'll never make it. Be a doctor like your brother,'" said Russak, whose family moved from Los Angeles to

Monterey in 1972, then to Carmel in 1978.

As a student at Carmel High (Class of 1983), she helped care for a sea otter while the Monterey Bay Aquarium was under construction, then spent a summer working with beluga whales at the Brooklyn Aquarium in New York.

### What she wanted to do

"Those were things I really wanted to do and I went to UC Davis to become a wildlife veterinarian. I also thought I was going to be a biomedical engineer for a while, but it really wasn't my thing," she said. "I was always an excellent student, but I struggled at Davis because I wasn't doing what I really wanted to do."

She graduated in 1988 with a degree in psychology — her parents' dream, not hers — but quickly realized she wasn't interested in the profession, and instead became a master scuba instructor at the Professional Association of Diving Instructors College.

"Then I got married, had kids, and stopped doing that," said Russak, who was hired as a secretary at the Carmel River School, where she worked from 2001 to 2013.

In 2014, as an empty-nester, she rediscovered her art, experimenting first with stone carving, then enrolling in a fused glassworks class taught by Diane Eisenbach at Monterey Peninsula College.

The learning curve, she quickly discovered, can test the student's patience and tenacity.

"I'm a perfectionist — or I used to be, before I started taking glass classes," Russak said with a laugh.

"The first thing I created was an ocean scene, but it didn't look like anything when came out of the kiln — it was just a big blob, all melted together," she remembered. "I made another one, which also looked like a blob, and then it cracked in half."

Eisenbach's patient encouragement and Russak's own stubborn nature motivated her to embrace the process.

"There are no mistakes,"

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## Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

own terms and prioritize those things that give her joy.

"To be honest, my art actually saved me," said Russak, who put her creative dreams and personal passions on hold, as so many do, while she raised three children as a single mom.

The kids are grown and leading successful lives, liberating their mom to embrace some of the things she's been missing.

"I think it's easy to forget who you are when you're working 9-to-5 and taking care of your children," she said. "But then, your kids become adults and you can start allowing yourself to do some of those things that bring you joy. That's when you find yourself again."

### Finding herself again

Russak is a glass artist, best known locally for creating iridescent, euphonic, fused-glass wind chimes — jellyfish, whose dangling tentacles cavort with every breeze and sparkle colorfully in the sunlight.

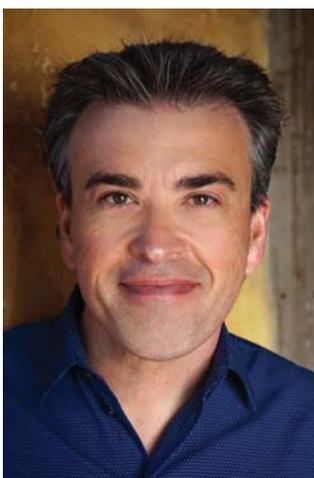
"The sounds they make remind me of the ocean ... the waves," she said. "And the shimmery glass reminds me of the surface of the ocean as I'm paddleboarding or



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Darcy Russak (Carmel High 1983) at Carmel Beach, displaying the colorful fused-glass jellyfish she creates.

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# ARTIST

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she declared. “Glass is not exacting at all and I’ve learned to relax, let go and let it happen. The more you relax, the better everything comes out. I think that’s also something I’ve learned about life.”

She spends multiple days each week in her wetsuit, riding an inflatable paddleboard on Monterey Bay, photographing sea life with an underwater camera — pictures that become inspiration for the glass art she makes in a 16-inch kiln.

Russak has shown and sold her jellyfish wind chimes, seahorses, garden stakes and other ocean-themed creations, at artisan gatherings like Sand City’s West End

# MAKEOVER

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Delves said of the somewhat awkward, towering home. “I think what you’re doing is beautiful.”

Chair Michael LePage called Sterling’s creation “a really skillful design” that effectively blends with its environment and “takes its inspiration from the essentials of Carmel and reflects that in an artistic way.

“And that represents the best of what really skilled architects and designers do,” he said.

The commission unanimously approved the design concept, which will return for a final detailed review and vote in the near future.

Festival and the Monterey County Fair, where her wind chimes won Best in Show two years ago.

But the business side of the art world has been an education of its own.

“That’s a huge challenge and I’m getting a lot of advice,” said Russak, who mostly markets her glasswork online. “I’ve also been told, ‘You’re only charging that much? You need to raise your prices!’ But then I see somebody who really wants one of my pieces and can’t afford it. I’ve been in those shoes.”

And because glasswork is an expensive art form, she also has received other advice — a flashback to her younger years.

“I’ve been told, ‘Give up your glass. Don’t do it anymore — it’s costing you money!’” she said. “I tried that for a month, and it killed me — I felt very depressed — so, no, I’m always going to do this.”

“Just be you,” she advised. “These jellyfish, and the ocean, and the colors ... those are me.”

Though Russak remains in the workforce to pay her bills, she makes glass art every day, often working five or six hours to keep up with a brisk demand.

Her “ultimate goal,” she said, is to open a brick-and-mortar studio-gallery with a unique look and pursue her art full-time.

“I want people to walk into a shop that feels surreal, like they’re underwater, diving through jellyfish that are moving around the room,” she said. “I want them to hear sounds of the ocean — diving bubbles, kelp, a calm-water surge — and see the kind of ocean lighting you see when you’re near the surface.”

### ‘Tell me what you want’

Russak said her jellyfish (available in four sizes, from 4.5 to 10 inches) can be customized to match the vision of her clientele.

“I’ve made chandelier lamps out of my jellyfish. Tell me what you want, and I’ll figure it out,” she said.

Russak, who has a 9-year-old border collie/Australian shepherd mix named Nemo, also creates scratchboard dog portraits for commission clients.

Images of her glasswork and additional information can be found on Facebook and Instagram. Contact her directly at darcyussakdesign@gmail.com.

# HISTORY

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was reworked and expanded with Grace writing the opening scene depicting the natives before the arrival of Serra. That summer, Newberry also produced “Alice in Wonderland,” starring Grace’s daughter Katherine in the role of Alice. Grace continued to write and publish short stories while she worked on her novel from the Hopi village, which was finally published in early 1913 as “The Joy-Bringer.”

The next year, the sisters became part of one of Carmel’s biggest unsolved mysteries. It seems that at least for a time in 1914, the sisters lived apart, but near each other. John Armstrong, current owner of a cottage on 13th, confirmed that he was told by the grandson of Charles Sumner Greene, who knew the sisters, that one of them had lived in Armstrong’s cottage. This fits the descriptions of the mystery that arose when someone tried to poison Alice MacGowan in April 1914.

### Attempted murder

In what the Los Angeles Times called “the biggest sensation that ever shook” Carmel, it was widely reported that just outside the kitchen door of Alice’s vine-covered cottage, she found some chili sauce and a tinbox of marshmallows which she thought had been left by a friend. As she did not eat candy, she gave the marshmallows to Abi, her Japanese gardener. But when she tasted the chili, she immediately spit it out as bitter. Abi, who swallowed a small piece of the marshmallow and also found it bitter, soon went into convulsions. He survived, but a San Francisco toxicologist determined that the marshmallows and



PHOTO/COURTESY OF CINDI DANIELS

The cove on the beach nearest the MacGowan-Cooke home was known for years as Cooke’s Cove, a favorite spot for picnics.

chili contained enough strychnine “to kill the entire literary colony.”

Since all reports were of the attempt on Alice’s life, they were clearly living apart; otherwise, it could have been an attempt on either sister. The colony was in an uproar because there was little attempt by county officials to find the villain, and the local writers worked to solve the mystery. Taking no chances, the sisters and Grace’s younger daughter left town and for a time made their home in Berkeley. Helen Cooke had married writer Harry Leon Wilson in 1912 and was living in Carmel Highlands.

At the beginning of 1916, the sisters finally returned to Carmel and shared the large home on 13th. The June 29, 1922, Pine Cone declared of them, “There are no more prolific writers on the Peninsula,” noting that in addition to their many books and stories, two of their collaborations published anonymously during World War I, “The Straight Road” and “Wild Apples,” were being acknowledged as by them.

Alice, then in her early 60s, began collaborating with Perry Newberry on a series of detective novels set in San Francisco. “The Million-Dollar Suitcase” (1922) was followed by “The Mystery Woman” (1924), “Shaken Down” (1925) and “the Seventh Passenger” (1926).

In the late 1920s, Grace moved to a home in the new development at Hatton Fields, but in 1932, the sisters moved to Los Gatos seeking a warmer and drier climate. Grace died there in June 1944, and Alice in March 1947. The prolific pair were an important part of early Carmel. They were very famous writers in their lifetimes, even if they are not well remembered today.



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# LETTERS

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## Easy answer

Dear Editor,

Carmel is quirky and quaint and steeped in tradition. That's part of its identity. The question before the city council, of assigning house numbers, presents the opportunity of turning something easy into something hard and controversial.

Having been Carmel residents for 47 years, we are no strangers to the occasional inconvenience of receiving deliveries in the village, but certainly oppose any action which would mandate a change to our charming tradition of house names and locations.

Some people, especially those who cannot follow directions or find anything without referring to their cell phone, would welcome the change, and many, if not most, of us older residents would oppose it.

In other cities throughout the country, street addresses are designated by the fire department. Such a practice is common sense. Emergency services need a certain address.

Why not just let the Carmel Fire Department designate street addresses for use by police and fire, and advise the residents of their street address to use or not use as they wish? Let's avoid "giving you a number and taking away your name."

Stan Wright, Carmel

## Homeless housing not welcome

Dear Editor,

For years and years I have traveled from Florida to Pacific Grove to spend

three summer months in that beautiful town, which I have seen grow from the 2008 recession, when one could bowl down the middle of Lighthouse Avenue, to 2021, when even with Covid, the streets of P.G. were full of people and businesses were hanging in, and I am even hoping to see more commerce this summer, now that California has finally gotten over the mask thing.

I have rented homes in Pacific Grove because it is a beautiful place and, most important, it is a safe place.

So when I saw that your city council wanted to sneak a homeless residence into the middle of a residential area, I wondered why I should pay a pretty penny for my summer rental? The word "safe" does not come to mind with "homeless housing."

Your kindness is going to kill your town. Don't do what San Francisco did.

Sylvia McNichol, Sarasota, Fla.

## 'No' on sales tax increase

Dear Editor,

In his state of the city comments in February, Mayor Bill Peake said Pacific Grove is in great shape. Then one of the councilwomen had a coffee meeting with people and said the same thing. I would like to know how they can say that after declaring a fiscal emergency at their Dec. 2021 meeting.

Next month, the residents of Pacific Grove will vote on whether to give the city a one-half cent sales tax increase and, already, one of them has asked for a pay raise. Now the mayor is hot to trot to buy a hotel and turn it over to the homeless. I hope people see through this continual grab for our money for their pet projects and vote "No" on Measure A.

Bill Williams, Pacific Grove

# TOWN HALL

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doses in Monterey County "have increased 2.6 times from 2020 to 2021; 74 in 2020, compared to 195 in 2021."

"People have overdosed the very first time" when using "one of these potent substances," Close said. "We will have some specific points for parents and students [at the town hall meeting] on how to recognize signs of drug use in teens."

Pacific Grove Police Chief Cathy Madalone said the agency and its school resource officer also plan to participate in the event.

"We would like to stress the importance of being informed on the dangers that accompany drug use, especially with the

surge of fentanyl availability even within our own community," according to a social media post by the police department.

However, Madalone and her department, which have a history of hiding important information from the public, kept the teen's death a secret, making it more difficult for parents to protect their children from the dangers of fentanyl-laced counterfeit pills. The Pine Cone found out about the boy's fatal overdose from a reader.

According to the Drug Enforcement Agency, Mexico and China are the primary sources for fentanyl and fentanyl-related substances trafficked directly into the United States.

While there will be limited in-person seating at the town hall, those who want to participate can also do so via the Zoom application at: <https://bit.ly/3ifRvzA>.

# SALARIES

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who receive monthly stipends, as well as employees who left last year, like police officer Ricardo Mendoza, dispatcher Christina Newton and planner Catherine Tarone, and new hires such as police officer Brian Liddy and dispatcher Shannon Brawner, and interim Police Chief Brian Uhler. More than 40 employees received total compensation in excess of \$100,000.

All told, in 2021, the city paid out nearly \$5.79 million in base salaries, more than a half-million dollars in overtime, and \$543,865 in "other pay." Taxpayers' contributions toward employees' retirement totaled \$596,957.

After 2020's layoffs and now unprecedented revenues — thanks to spikes in tourism and travel spending, and record real estate sales driving up property taxes — the city has rehired several workers who'd been let go during the pandemic and

is engaged in an extensive hiring spree.

The 2022-2023 budget, which the city council will discuss at length next month, anticipates \$12,943,222 in spending on salaries and benefits, though the actual number would be lower if any positions remain unfilled.

# MUGGER

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"He grabbed the cash and threw the wallet, so she ended up getting that back," Watkins said. The woman, who is in her early 70s, was physically unharmed but certainly scared.

While the city's traffic cameras, including one in the area of San Antonio and Fourth, have helped police identify criminals in the past, they didn't come in handy on this occasion.

"Usually we catch them, but this time, he slipped through the net," he said.



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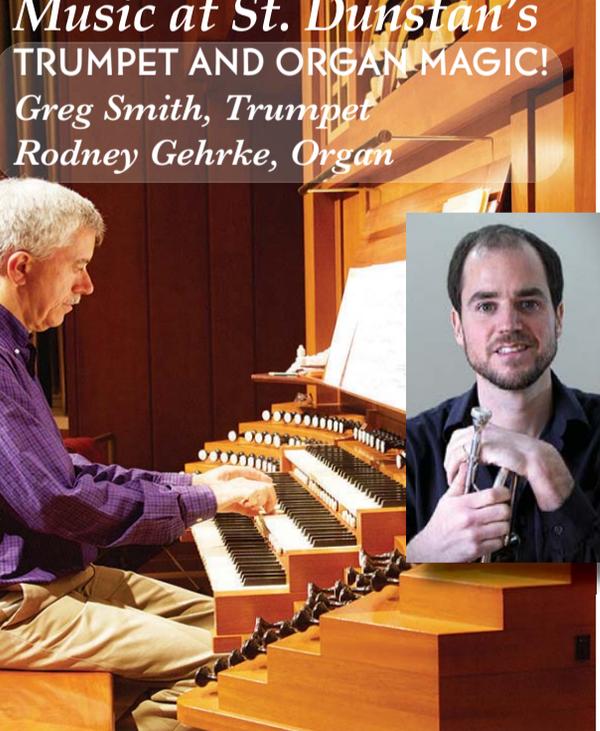
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## Cross termite damage to be repaired

By CHRIS COUNTS

A STRIKING landmark that has loomed over Ribera Beach and Carmel Bay for more than half a century, the Portola-Crespi Cross was recently taken down for repairs due to termite damage.

Brant Marshall of California State Parks told The Pine Cone the cross came down “sometime in the past two weeks,” and he’s hoping it can be returned sometime in April.

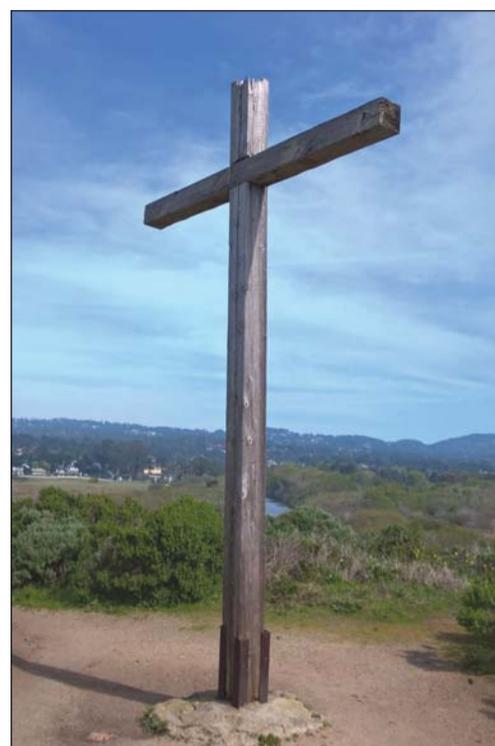
“Our maintenance staff had it removed,” Marshall explained. “It’s currently under the supervision of our historian. We’re hoping to restore it according to Department of Interior standards and put it back out there.”

### Replica put up in ‘69

The cross is least the second one erected at the site, a small hill located just south of Carmel River and about 100 yards from the shoreline. In 1769, the Portola Expedition from Mexico erected a cross to signal a supply ship. The expedition was the first ever by Europeans into the interior of California. It was led by Gaspar de Portola and Friar Juan Crespi — hence the same.

Two hundred years later — on Dec. 9, 1969 — a replica of the cross

was made from redwood by Harry Downie and installed as part of Monterey’s bicentennial celebration. Downie also played a key role in the restoration of Carmel Mission. Its museum is named for him.



The landmark Portola-Crespi Cross is gone for now, but will be back soon once repairs are done.

## GUN

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weapon without a permit, carrying a loaded firearm illegally and possession of stolen property. Williams and Hudson were also charged with being felons or drug users in possession of a firearm, another felony, and all three were arrested for a misdemeanor charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor, since there was a juvenile in the

car with them. With the help of the Monterey County Sheriff’s Office, the three were taken to county jail in Salinas, but they have since been released.

Williams’ criminal record includes armed robbery, rape and carjacking, according to Carmel P.D., and he has gang ties. The Monterey County District Attorney’s Office filed its case against Williams on March 17 but declined to pursue convictions of Alamilla and Hudson. Williams is out on bail and set to be arraigned in a Salinas courtroom April 5.

## Church that provides free food adds hours

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

A CATHOLIC church in Pacific Grove that offers food to those in need is expanding its hours.

St. Angela Merici Church said that starting April 2, people will also be able to

pick up free food at the St. Vincent de Paul Food Cupboard on Saturdays from 9:30 to 11 a.m. The church also offers food on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 2 p.m.

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# FIRE

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happening, Grogan said, and the fire crew quickly got to work.

“The electrical outlet that was involved was behind a stove,” he confirmed, and firefighters tore open the wall to get to the fire, see how much there was and put it out.

### Calm and collected

They got there just in the nick of time, he said. “Had it gotten into the attic, it probably would have been a lot worse. We were fortunate the resident was home.”

Bill Brodsley, who has lived in the complex for six years and celebrated his 90th birthday with a party in the courtyard there last August, said he was at his office around the corner at Mission and Eighth when a friend called from Fresno to tell him she’d heard the building was burning.

“She said, ‘Bill, I hear your house is on fire.’ I’ve been around long enough that I didn’t jump up and down,” he said. “I was cool, calm and collected.”

Brodsley uses a walker to get around and walked back up to the complex, where he found numerous fire engines, a ladder extended to the roof, firefighters everywhere, a bunch of neighbors standing in the courtyard, and the front door to his ground-floor unit wide open.

The fire crews made quick work of the blaze, but the water they used flowed into his condo below and even into the basement parking garage.

“The smoke went up, but the water came down,” he said. “There was a lot of water, since the major objective was to control the fire.”

Grogan said the fire damaged two units

— including a vacation rental that was vacant — while Brodsley’s and another neighbor’s sustained water damage. In the condo where it started, the blaze was “contained to the kitchen area, so fortunately no personal effects were lost,” he said. “Just mostly the kitchen wall and appliances.” He declined to estimate the cost of the damage to the complex, which was built in the 1975.

Stuart Allen, owner of the Carmel Dog Shop on Lincoln, lives across the street from the complex and knows three of the four affected tenants, including Brodsley.

“Seeing smoke coming from one of their doors is scary,” he said.

The fire didn’t affect the structural integrity of any of the condos and displaced only the woman in whose kitchen it started, according to Grogan. The complex doesn’t have fire sprinklers, but a lot of smoke alarms were sounding.

“The smoke detectors obviously worked well — those were going off,” he said.

A Monterey Fire engine remained nearby until 11 p.m. “to address any lingering issues and be there as a resource for tenants if they had any questions.” The cause remains under investigation.

### Cleaning up

Brodsley said Allen helped get the water off his kitchen floor, and a disaster cleanup service brought dehumidifiers and air cleaners to draw the moisture and smoke aromas out of the walls and furnishings. The nonagenarian is also contending with insurance and figuring out what to do while his kitchen, which suffered the brunt of it, is repaired.

But he’s sanguine about it. “It’s just another life experience,” Brodsley said. “I’ve never been through anything like this before.”

# BLOCK

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historical integrity.

The 15 homes include two studios, seven one-bed-one-bath units, and six two-bed-two-bath units.

Citing an old newspaper article, Beck said that well-known Pacific Grove resident Dr. Andrew Jackson Hart, an obstetrician and general practitioner who established a medical practice in the city in about 1890,

purchased the block in 1924 from Shelley Pickles of Monterey. During the next two years, Hart built 14 cottages on the block, and it became known as Whispering Pines.

A 1933 article that ran in a San Francisco publication promised residents of Pacific Grove a curious remedy for their illnesses.

“You ring up Dr. Hart and ask him if one of his houses in The Pines is vacant,” the article said. “If it is, you take it, knowing that a couple of weeks in there will set you right as rain, and there is no fee included.”

# THIEF

From page 6A

capture license plate numbers, and with that information, Johnson was able to track the vehicle down in San Pablo, another city east of San Francisco Bay.

Police seized it March 9. “We got it that day and brought it down here,” he said.

Evidence from the car led them to Coyt, who has been arrested several times over

the years for stealing tools, trying to steal catalytic converters and other crimes, according to media reports. He is on post-release community supervision — a type of parole — for a previous conviction, and also has outstanding warrants, according to Johnson.

Just shy of a week after it was stolen, the van was found in the City of Fremont, he added. It was missing some parts, including the stereo, but was otherwise intact.

“City cameras saved the day again,” he said.

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# DROWNING

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the Monterey County Sheriff’s Office and the United States Forest Service responded.

Harris, meanwhile, thanked the agencies that responded, despite the unfortunate outcome. “This shows the resilience of the emergency system in Monterey,” he added.

Sadly, Huang’s drowning is the latest in a long line of people who have lost their lives by getting too close to the surf.

A fisherman died last year near Soberanes Point, while two people perished in 2019 at Garrapata State Park in separate incidents.

In most cases, the people who drowned were from outside the area, were unfamiliar with turbulent local conditions, and didn’t realize “sleeper” waves can be so deadly. Experts continue to remind people to “never turn your back to the ocean.”

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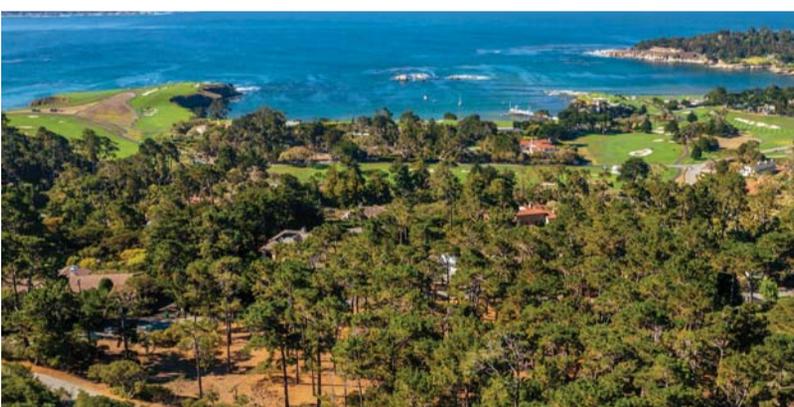
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# HEALTHY

## Lifestyles

### Experiencing physical limits — and unlimited kindness

By DENNIS TAYLOR

**IN THE** late fall of 2018, Pacific Grove native Daniel Troia spent a day panhandling in North Bend, Ore., holding a sign that said, “Biking across country, ran out of food ... anything helps.”

He was out of money, physically wrecked, emotionally drained, dirty, hairy and disheveled after nearly seven months on the road, cycling solo from Monterey to New York City, then home again.

“My entire body was in pain, and I was stretching on the side of the road when I was approached by a man named Gary who asked if I was OK,” said Troia. “He told me to wait, then brought me a pastrami sandwich and something to drink.”

#### ‘You look like you’re hurting’

“Why did you want to help me?” the cyclist asked.

“You just look like you’re hurting,” the Samaritan shrugged. “Gotta help a bro out.”

Gary was homeless, suffering from a brain tumor, and intuitively sensed how Troia had been feeling in recent weeks, living in a tent, becoming increasingly ragged and worn out.

Troia is a personal trainer at Damon Anderson Physical Therapy in Monterey, and his knowledge and physical conditioning



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PHOTO/DANIEL TROIA

(Left) Pacific Grove’s Daniel Troia, a personal trainer and filmmaker, rode coast to coast for seven months, carrying no food or money, to create an award-winning documentary exploring human connection in the United States. (Right) Uphill climbs through the Rockies in Colorado and Montana were grueling but scenic.

prepared him — though not completely — for an exhausting adventure that tested his body, mental discipline and emotional well-being.

“I had started to feel invisible,” said Troia, who said he now tries to engage des-

titute people with eye contact, a smile, a friendly word, a donation or other act of kindness.

He deliberately rode off in June 2018 with no money, no food, no credit card — a leap of faith, reliant on the human connec-

tion. He panhandled for money and rummaged through grocery store dumpsters for strawberries and apples, bananas or bagels.

He slept in his tent and washed in gas

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## Ticks and poison oak are terrible souvenirs

By ELAINE HESSER

**THE OLD** wilderness adage, “take only photos, leave only footprints,” was meant to keep people from spoiling their surroundings. But it applies equally to bugs, sore ankles and poison oak.

Longtime Pine Cone readers have seen plenty of stories of people who were “just going on a day hike,” but met with unanticipated troubles. So has the Big Sur Health Center, where Sharen Carey, a certified physician assistant, is executive director.

When asked which maladies the clinic sees most frequently, Carey rattled off a list without hesitating. “Blisters, twisted ankles, dehydration, poison oak, cuts and bug bites,” she said. And, she added quickly, “prevention and preparation” are the best ways to avoid ruining your day in God’s country.

### Duct tape

Start with footwear. Carey wondered aloud, “Why do people wear sandals? It makes no sense,” even on a short hike through the woods. Instead, put on a decent pair of sneakers (not the cute-but-flimsy cloth kind) or better yet, hiking boots — especially if you’re heading for rocky terrain or steep hills.

Carey recommended covering sensitive spots on your feet with moleskin or sports tape if you’re prone to blisters, and if you get one, don’t pop it. Cut a hole a little larger than the blister in a small piece of moleskin and place it over the sore spot to cushion it.

Moleskin is just one of the helpful items you should toss into your pack. Carey said she brings a pocket knife (for cutting bandages or moleskin), alcohol wipes or sanitizing gel, Band-Aids and a 4-inch elastic wrap (like an Ace bandage) when she hikes. You’ll also want some ibuprofen (Motrin) or acetaminophen (Tylenol), 1 percent hydrocortisone cream (a widely available topical anti-itch medication), antibiotic ointment (like Neosporin), as well as the aforementioned sports tape, moleskin and/or — wait for it — duct tape.

Carey noted that the jack-of-all-trades from your toolbox makes a great temporary bandage, particularly if you have a large cut from an encounter with a branch, fencepost or rock.

She recommended washing any injury that breaks the

skin thoroughly with water, applying antibiotic ointment and then bandaging it. If it doesn’t need stitches, you can just keep an eye on it as it heals, watching for signs of infection, but, “if it gets really red or hot,” get medical attention, she said. And if it’s been more than 10 years, put a tetanus booster on your to-do list.

### Beware of green leaves, too

Sprains are painful, and the time-honored prescription of rest, ice, compression and elevation is tough to implement on the trail. If you’re near a river or the ocean, you can soak your foot and ankle in the water for a bit, then wrap it in an elastic bandage so you can limp back to the car. That’s where ibuprofen or Tylenol comes in handy, too.

While Carey said people usually avoid the ubiquitous poison oak when it’s “big and red,” the leaves are “just as potent when they’re green,” and even bare branches can transmit its irritating oils. She noted that some people get it from touching their dogs after they’ve romped through a patch. Others compound the problem by rubbing their faces, unwittingly spreading irritation there, even causing their eyes to swell shut.

If you can’t avoid the stuff entirely, Carey said that Tecnu is a product specially designed for washing off poison oak’s oils and should be used after hiking. The manufacturer claims that if it’s used within eight hours of exposure, it “can remove poison oak and ivy oil before the rash begins.”

### Stay hydrated

While Carey acknowledged that the best defense against ticks is long-sleeved shirts and long pants, she conceded, “that’s difficult when it’s hot.” That’s why it’s important to check for ticks as soon as you get home. “They gravitate to creases” in the skin, she said.

Home remedies for removing ticks abound, but none is foolproof. Some, like holding a lighted match to the bug, can be painful and a little dangerous. Above all, you want to avoid removing the tick’s body and leaving the head under the skin, where it might require medical attention. While she said Lyme disease is uncommon here, Carey noted that it can be prevented with a sim-



Sharen Carey is the executive director of the Big Sur Health Center.

ple dose of prescription oral antibiotic administered within 48 hours of the bite.

Make sure you’re drinking enough water — Carey said that two cups (16 ounces) per hour is recommended in hot, dry weather. Finally, don’t forget the sunscreen. It’s easy to get lost in the scenery and get a sunburn before you realize it. And that’s a souvenir nobody wants to bring home.

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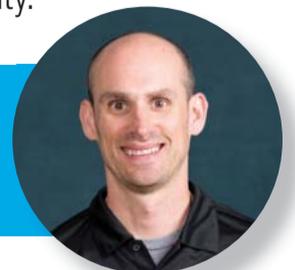
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# HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

## Gadgets, gizmos and apps — the high-tech world of fitness

By ELAINE HESSER

**YOU WALKED** to Ocean Avenue for coffee. You parked your car a little farther than usual from the Barnyard and strolled around the shops. Maybe you took a walk on Scenic or squired the grandkids around the Monterey Bay Aquarium, then spent 20 minutes wandering around a grocery store to get ingredients for dinner. All that walking should add up, shouldn't it?

If you have a smartphone in your pocket, you can probably tap on a built-in health app and see how many steps you took and how far you went. But pedometers aren't the only way that electronics can follow your fitness habits. Exercise and nutrition trackers include apps for your smart phone as well as "wearables" like Fitbits, Apple watches, Oura fitness rings and similar, less well known brands.

We asked some local healthcare providers what they thought of the wide variety of technology claiming to promote wellness.

### Great feedback

Dr. Christopher Carpenter, chief of staff at Natividad Medical Center, said that using tech to monitor your steps or daily workouts is "great motivation" because you "see where you are when you start, and then track your progress."

Carpenter said he turned to electronic trackers several years ago, after a routine health screening showed he

had "remarkably high cholesterol." Then he had one of those back injuries that seemingly come out of nowhere. "I was opening a door and I sneezed," he recalled. As he recovered and got into better shape, he said he liked the feedback he got from apps and a fitness tracking device.

### 'Thirsty for knowledge'

Dr. Jayme Rock-Willoughby, a cardiologist with Montage Health, emphasized that wearables don't have to be expensive to be effective. She also said they can inspire friendly, motivational competitions.

"A couple of years ago, my father-in-law, brother-in-law, husband and I did a steps challenge," to see who could get the most daily walking in, Rock said, adding that the relatives thought she and her husband "cheated" on a trip to Disney World, where they easily racked up more steps than usual. "It added a little competitive edge," she said with a laugh.

Monterey Joint Replacement and Sports Medicine's Dr. Peter Gerbino, who has worked with local, national and Olympic sports teams, compiled a list of 10 fitness apps for patients to choose from to monitor diet, nutrition and exercise.

He said his vegetarian and vegan patients use technology to ensure they're getting enough nutrients, while baby boomers are "thirsty for knowledge about health," and like how much they can learn, since almost all the apps include some educational materials.

One of the apps on his list — Start Simple with My Plate — is something you've already paid for with your tax dollars. It's from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and not only is it free, but you don't have to provide a lot of personal information to try it out.

*Fitness trackers can help you participate in motivational competitions.*



Gerbino said technology seems to allow people to gather information about their behavior without being embarrassing.

"I've been talking to patients for years" about nutrition, he said, and seeing things on a private screen doesn't make people feel guilty, but raises awareness of things they might want to do differently, like cutting down on sugar.

### Choosing wisely

The variety of gizmos and apps can be overwhelming. Terri Bilbro, a nurse practitioner with Salutem Bio-Performance in Monterey and owner of Nitrous Performance Training, said to start by deciding what you want to track. Exercise? Eating habits? Both?

"It's nice to have a gadget, but it's like a gym membership — you have to use it," she said, noting that some people got into using technology for wellness during Covid, when they couldn't exercise with their friends or go to classes.

Wearables can take things further, helping people get info about their heart rates, blood oxygen and sleep. The latest Apple Watch models even make it possible to take your own EKG without going near a doctor's office, and specialized applications for things like testing blood sugar are being developed and brought to market pretty regularly.

While Carpenter said that some fea-

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Dr. Christopher Carpenter



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While the quinoa cooks, prepare the lime vinaigrette. In a small bowl or jar, combine the dressing ingredients. Whisk or shake until well combined.

Transfer the cooked quinoa to a large bowl and stir in black beans, cherry tomatoes, bell pepper, cilantro and parmesan cheese. Add the dressing and stir gently to combine.

Serve salad warm or cold, with 1/2 avocado, sliced, per serving.

### Chef Bio



**FUAD AL Qudsi** is a registered dietitian and nutritionist and a certified fitness trainer, but above all, he is a food enthusiast. Growing up in Saudi Arabia in a family that loved to cook influenced his connection with what people eat from a young age.

Even though he was interested in food and nutrition, his professional path took a different turn when he obtained a degree in geology and worked as an environmental engineer. Twenty years ago, when he moved to San Francisco, he decided to become a certified personal trainer. His interest in healthy, tasty food grew, prompting him to pursue and acquire a degree in nutrition and dietetics.

In the summer of 2020, Al Qudsi relocated from the San Francisco Bay Area to Carmel. He is the founder of FuadFit, a private practice for nutrition counseling with an emphasis on geriatric nutrition.

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Preparation is simple, and Chef Fuad Al Qudsi, owner of FuadFit, a local nutrition counseling service, provided a recipe for a hearty salad featuring the grain. He noted that 1 cup of uncooked quinoa yields 3 cups cooked, and said that the salad can be served warm or cold and will keep for three to four days in the refrigerator.

*Serves 6 • Serving size: 1 cup*

#### Ingredients:

2 teaspoons olive oil  
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1 cup quinoa, thoroughly rinsed and drained  
1 3/4 cups low-sodium vegetable broth or water  
1 15-ounce can black beans, rinsed and drained  
1 cup cherry tomatoes, halved  
1 red bell pepper, seeded and chopped  
3 tablespoons minced fresh cilantro  
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# HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

## CYCLING *from page 29A*

station sinks, public restrooms, wilderness lakes and streams. He recorded the experience for a documentary about human interaction at a time when America seemed angry and divided.

### Free showing on April 9

He told his poignant and sometimes harrowing tale in “We Are All In This Together,” a self-produced 70-minute film that has been celebrated with 15 major awards at film festivals throughout the U.S. and Canada.

Locals can see his work at Pacific Grove’s Lighthouse Theater at 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 9, followed by a Q&A with Troia. There is no admission charge, but Troia hopes to collect food, clothing and other donations for Monterey’s Gathering For Women, a nonprofit organization supporting local homeless women.

While cycling more than 5,100 miles (3,600 to New York and 1,500 on the way back, when he also hitchhiked at times), he

endured three consecutive 100-degree days and outran a tornado in Kansas. He shivered through three sub-freezing nights in Montana and was slammed with waves of water from speeding tractor-trailers while pedaling through a California downpour.

He leapt from his bike to dodge a swerving car in Pennsylvania, was sized up by a black bear in Colorado, veered to miss a wild turkey in the Appalachians and was chased by an angry dog in New Jersey.

### Dry in the desert

He ran out of water as he pedaled past cow skeletons on “The Loneliest Road in America,” in Nevada’s Great Basin Desert.

“That was almost funny. I was 35 miles from the nearest town, riding into a miserable headwind and had been out of water for a while,” Troia said. “I had to eat and all I had was a peanut butter-and-jelly sandwich, the worst dry-mouth food ever. But I needed the calories, so I ate.”

“I was alarmed because I knew I was dehydrated — low on sodium and potassium, losing a lot of electrolytes,” he said.

“Nothing like that had ever happened before, and I knew my body was speaking to me.” At one point, his nose bled so ferociously that it frightened him.

His education at CSUMB — preparation for his career as a personal trainer — often proved invaluable to Troia, who devised a maintenance program for himself before he left, stretched daily, worked knots out of his muscles using a foam roller, and tried (often in vain) to eat healthy. Sometimes it wasn’t enough.

“I definitely would have quit during the last six weeks if I hadn’t been making a film. My body was saying, ‘Enough! You need to rest!’” he said. “I had physical therapy for a couple of months afterward because everything was out of whack.”

### The human connection

His film focuses heavily on his interactions with people who helped him when he was in need, often sharing stories of their own struggles.

A Montana man took Troia into his home for three nights when temperatures

dipped to 5 degrees. A Nicaraguan immigrant let him camp in her yard. A motorcyclist from the Czech Republic handed him a quart of coconut water. Countless others — some living on the streets — handed him food from their grocery bags.

“We Are All In This Together” is Troia’s second documentary, after “Two Wheels to Freedom” (2017), about discovering Europe. His latest trip was the first he’s done without food or money as a solo rider.

### ‘Bleeping bum!’

Troia used GoPro video equipment, a computerized drone to capture spectacular birds-eye footage and video-capable sunglasses to record some interviews surreptitiously to preserve the authenticity of the conversations. (He subsequently explained his project and got permission to use the footage.)

“I’m not a trained filmmaker — I’ve had no real training at all, except my brother showed me how to edit,” said the 36-year-old Troia, who was a bartender, student and cycling enthusiast when he launched his project.

“I just think there are times in life when you have to throw yourself into something and let it play out.”

The title of his documentary emerged when he rode through Northern California’s redwoods on his way home, just days after a man shouted “(Bleeping) bum!” from a passing van.

“I just felt reminded that we’re all in this together,” said Troia, who believes his status as a bike tourist probably afforded him far better treatment than most homeless people receive, but the grimmer he got, the more “invisible” he became to passers-by.

Troia said he remains in touch with many of the people he met, though several have died.

More information about his documentary and a trailer of the film can be seen online at [weareallinthismoviemovie.com](http://weareallinthismoviemovie.com).



(Left) Troia ran out of water on “The Loneliest Road in America” in Nevada’s Great Basin Desert. (Right) Troia panhandled for money and food, but often fed himself by dumpster-diving behind grocery stores.



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tures “seem quite accurate,” he was quick to add that, “You should not rely on any device that’s not approved or recommended by your primary care provider” for vital healthcare information.

Rock concurred that fitness trackers were no substitute for in-office tests, but said they can provide information that prompt users to go to a physician, like an

elevated heart rate while resting.

Finally, Bilbro noted that apps go beyond exercise and can help with mental health, too, citing apps like Calm and Headspace, which demystify meditation and teach the basics of it, with an emphasis on mental focus. (If you have Netflix, Headspace’s series on mindfulness — with practical exercises — is included.)

She said, “We need more calming things right now, don’t we?”



Dr. Peter Gerbino



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# This Week

Live Music,  
Clubs and Events

## WITH A NEW ALBUM IN TOW, MELISSA ETHERIDGE ROCKS SUNSET CENTER

SINGER and GUITARIST **Melissa Etheridge**, who has a new album and tour, will perform at Sunset Center Saturday and Sunday (March 26 and 27).

### On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

With her trademark raspy vocals and a radio-friendly folk-rock sound, Etheridge burst on the scene in late 1988. In 1993, she earned her first Grammy Award for Best Female Rock Vocal Performance for “Ain’t It Heavy,” and won the same award two years later for “Come To My Window.” In 2006, she won an Academy Award for her original song, “I Need To Wake Up,” which was in the documentary film, “An Inconvenient Truth.”

In September, Etheridge released her 17th album, “One Way Out.”

The music starts at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$90. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. Call (831) 260-2048.

### Shake that martini

A band that you can dance to in at least 15 languages, **Pink Martini** plays Wednesday at the Golden State Theatre in Monterey.

Colorfully describing its retro dance-friendly sound as “the United Nations’ house band of 1962 meets Lawrence Welk on

acid,” the band never intended to be taken seriously. But its first single, “Sympathique,” became a big hit in France, and was nominated for Song of the Year at the Victoires de la Musique Awards, the country’s equivalent of the Grammys.

Showtime is 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$63. The theater is located at 417 Alvarado St. Call (831) 649-1070.

### What’s a bandoneon?

An Argentinian musician who plays the *bandoneon* — an instrument that’s related to the accordion and is commonly used in tango ensembles — **J.P. Jofre** plays Monday, March 28, at the Sand Box in Sand City.

“The concert will offer an assortment of original com-

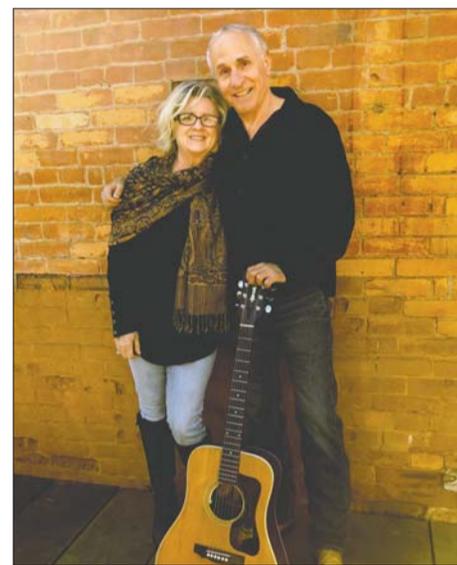
positions and arrangements by the world’s foremost bandoneon master,” **Michelle Djokic** of the Sand Box said. “Hold on to your heart — J.P. may steal it away.”

The music starts at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$35. The Sand Box is located at 440 Ortiz Ave., sandboxsandcity.com.

### ‘Music in the Forest’ series

Live music will once again be heard at the Forest Theater, where promotor **Steve Vagnini** has a concert booked for May 21. The performers are three local singers with bright futures, **Cindy Alexander**, **Hayley Jane** and **Katherine Lavin**. Vagnini told The Pine Cone the show will

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Singer and guitarist Melissa Etheridge (left) takes the stage Saturday and Sunday at Sunset Center. Pink Martini (center) performs Wednesday at Golden State Theatre in Monterey. An acoustic duo, Tom Faia and Kate Miller (right), plays Sunday afternoon at the Big Sur Vineyards Tasting Room in Carmel Valley.

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# FOOD & WINE

## Parklets survey, wine in the cellar and the return of Foundation lunches

THE TEMPORARY parklets that have filled downtown parking spaces since May 2020 are set to be removed April 20, unless the city council changes its mind when the topic is brought up for discussion at its April 5 meeting. Some business owners are distributing a survey they hope will

participate.”

It notes a May 2021 questionnaire distributed by the planning department “showed overwhelming support by locals for parklets.”

It then asks a couple of yes-or-no questions about whether restaurant owners should be allowed to keep their outdoor dining on public property until they’re allowed to build new ones, or if they should remove them as the council has directed.

The survey can be found at [app.surveymethods.com/EndUser.aspx?A581EDF2A7E7F6F3A6](http://app.surveymethods.com/EndUser.aspx?A581EDF2A7E7F6F3A6).

### ■ The return of lunches

After a lengthy hiatus due to Covid, The Carmel Foundation has finally brought back its low-cost lunches for members aged 55 and older, and is making use of new outdoor space gussied up with grant money from Carmel Gives.

“We are thrilled to have our mem-

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## Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

persuade decisionmakers to let them keep their outdoor dining areas.

“We’re going to have one last meeting to talk about parklets,” planning director Brandon Swanson said Friday, adding that it would be “a really small, brief presentation.”

Earlier this year, council members set the “drop dead date” for removal of the parklets but also asked Swanson to bring the issue back for an update.

“The direction at the time was if nothing’s changed, they go away April 20,” he said. “And from what we can tell, nothing’s changed.”

Meanwhile, development of a permanent outdoor dining program with design standards and other regulations is not on the city council’s list of top priorities, he reminded the public, “but it’s in the next tier that will move up, eventually.”

### Yes or no?

In response, a group of restaurateurs launched an online survey and is urging customers to ask the council to let the parklets remain.

“Under the current timeline, Carmel restaurants would have to demolish their existing outdoor dining parklets on April 20, until the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea has finalized their design plans for permanent parklets,” the survey says. “Because of the popularity and expense to build the current parklets, Carmel restaurants would like to keep the current temporary parklets until they are approved to build new city-approved parklets if they choose to



What gems might you find at Morgan’s cellar sale Saturday? Perhaps something like this 2011 pinot noir from the winery’s vaunted Double L Vineyard.



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bers back enjoying good food and good company,” said the nonprofit’s president and CEO, Holly Zoller. “I also wanted to mention the expanded patio and courtyard areas that offer additional outdoor seating — and which are very popular and used daily, even when it is chilly outside.”

The organization serves lunch to members Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 1 p.m., with no reservations required. Known for its “homemade comfort food at affordable prices,” the foundation offers a daily entrée, salads, soups and desserts.

For those who remain cautious and concerned about transmission of coronavirus, the nonprofit is continuing its curbside meal program, with pickup available Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 11 to 11:45 a.m. Pre-ordering is required and can be done online at [carmelfoundation.org](http://carmelfoundation.org) or through member services at (831) 624-1588.

Membership in The Carmel Foundation is open to people age 55 and older in the Monterey County area and beyond. The organization provides numerous services, including low-cost housing and meals, classes and activities, field trips, lectures, medical equipment loans and other benefits.

■ **Morgan cellar sale**

What better way to make space in the wine cellar than

to sell off some of the older stuff at great prices? Morgan Winery will hold a one-day sale at its tasting room in the Crossroads shopping center Saturday, March 26, with members of the wine club invited to shop from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and the public welcome between 1 and 6 p.m.

“Our winemaking team needs cellar space, so we’re dusting off a collection of oldies to bring to you at a major markdown,” the folks at Morgan announced, though they didn’t say what, exactly, will be available. To find out, visit the shop in the Crossroads. For more information about Morgan and its wines, call (831) 626-3700 or visit [morganwinery.com](http://morganwinery.com).

■ **SLH Sun, Wind & Wine**

Another annual celebration is back on the calendar for May, when the 14th Santa Lucia Highlands Wine Artisans Sun, Wind & Wine Festival brings together more than 40 member wineries to pour their best pinot noir, chardonnay and syrah at Mer Soleil Winery on River Road in the Salinas Valley. For many of the smaller producers that don’t have tasting rooms, the event is their only public tasting of the year.

Local chefs and restaurants provide gourmet bites to enjoy alongside the wines poured by an impressive slate of winemakers, and organizers are adding new elements, like a Bubbles Bar and VIP tables with extras. A silent auction



Some of Monterey County’s favorite chefs are planning to return to the SLH Sun, Wind & Wine fest at Mer Soleil in May to wow guests as they last did in 2019.

of rare big bottles will be enticing, and live music will keep things moving. Wineries can sell their wares, too, so plan on taking some bottles home.

The festival always sells out. Tickets for early access to the May 14 event are already gone, but a VIP table for eight includes early entry at 11 a.m. and other benefits for \$1,469 plus \$91.06 in fees, and general admission at noon can still be had for \$120 plus \$8.93 in fees. Order tickets through Eventbrite.

■ **Historic restaurants get more help**

It’s a long shot, given how many restaurants throughout the United States could be considered historic and how few grants are available, but American Express and the National Trust for Historic Preservation are collaborating on a \$1 million effort to distribute \$40,000 to 25 longtime establishments through the Historic Small Restaurants Grant Program.

The campaign “will support restaurants that have contributed to their neighborhood’s unique history as they manage ongoing challenges because of the pandemic” and complements AmEx’s Shop Small campaign targeting independent businesses.

Despite the billions of dollars restaurant operators received in federal and state aid during the pandemic, 2021 “has continued to pose challenges for restaurant owners as they navigate the impacts of the pandemic, including the ebb and flow of foot traffic as new coronavirus variants emerged,” representatives said.

According to the National Restaurant Association’s 2022 State of the Restaurant Industry, more than half of restaurant operators surveyed indicated it would be a year or more before business conditions return to normal. Complicating matters further are supply-chain issues that are causing delays and shortages of key ingredients and beverages.

The grant program seeks to help small restaurants “that have contributed to the fabric of their communities so they can better serve their customers, financially recover, and grow their businesses.”

Independent eateries that have been operating for more than 25 years in historic buildings or neighborhoods are eligible and can find more information at [savingplaces.org/historicrestaurants](http://savingplaces.org/historicrestaurants). Additionally, fans can nominate their favorite establishments. Formal applications and public nominations opened March 21 and will be accepted through 11:59 p.m. April 4.

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## ■ MCHA honors

The Monterey County Hospitality Association will honor its top professionals at an annual awards gala April 8 at Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa. This year, two men will be named Hospitality Professional of the Year. The 2020 award will be presented to Teddy Balestreri, executive vice president of hospitality operations and community relations for the Cannery Row Company, and John C. Turner, GM of the InterContinental The Clement Monterey, will receive the 2021 award. Both are being recognized for their “ongoing service and commitment to the local hospitality industry.”

Balestreri’s career has included roles in foodservice operations, hotel and restaurant management, and manufacturing of kitchen products, and he has also been active in the California Restaurant Association throughout the pandemic, advocating for the state’s restaurants and workforce.

His father, Cannery Row Co. chairman and CEO Ted Balestreri — who won the inaugural award in 1983 — said Balestreri “has always shined under adversity, especially the last couple of years during the Covid-19 crisis.”

Company properties under Balestreri’s leadership include The Inns of Monterey, The Sardine Factory and Esteban restaurant.

Turner, meanwhile, relocated to the Monterey Peninsula in 1993 to become the Monterey Plaza’s executive assistant manager and then moved to San Francisco to work as GM for the boutique Kimpton Hotels chain. The Peninsula wooed him back, though, to become GM at the InterContinental.

The Monterey Plaza’s former longtime leader, John Narigi, who now manages Laguna Seca, said Turner was instrumental in getting the MCHA and the Monte-

rey County Convention & Visitors Bureau to work collaboratively on protecting and marketing the Peninsula. Turner is past chairman of the MCHA and co-chaired its golf tournament for many years.

To join in the celebration by attending the gala, purchase tickets at [mcha.net](http://mcha.net) or email [kristin@mcha.net](mailto:kristin@mcha.net).

## ■ Is it summer yet?

Twisted Roots in Carmel Valley Village is known for its reds — like the old-vine zin made from vines planted in 1918, petite sirah and cabernet sauvignon — but just in time for summer (or maybe the warmer days of spring), the winery is releasing a new albariño and a “non-traditional” chardonnay.

Owner and winemaker Josh Ruiz said he aims to focus on the fruit rather than the winemaking process. “What I love most about the albariño is that it gives you the crisp, acidic and refreshing body of a good white wine, but you also find some great tropical fruit notes,” he said.

First released in 2019, Twisted Roots’ albariño is made from grapes grown in the Terra Alta Vineyard on the warmer east end of the Lodi appellation and sells for \$35 per bottle.

Ruiz said the chardonnay appeals to those among the growing number of white-wine drinkers who prefer a brighter, less oaky expression, as he seeks to create a simple, clean, easy-to-drink iteration reminiscent of the Chablis style.

“I have never liked the idea of covering up a wine with oak or secondary fermentation, especially when I have worked so hard in the vineyard to grow a great grape,” he said. The chardonnay sells for \$30 per bottle.

The Twisted Roots tasting room is located at 12 Del Fino Place and is open Thursday through Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. Call (831) 594-8282 for more information, or visit [twistedrootsvineyard.com](http://twistedrootsvineyard.com).

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## Live music March 25-31

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**Big Sur River Inn** — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (folk, Saturday at 1 p.m.). On Highway 1 24 miles south of Carmel, (831) 667-2700.

**Big Sur Vineyards** tasting room in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Tom Faia** and singer **Kate Miller** (Sunday at 3 p.m.). 1 Del Fino Place, (831) 652-3020.

**Cibo** restaurant in Monterey — **The Dave Holodiloff Duo** (bluegrass and jazz, Sunday at 7 p.m.), singer **Lee Durley** (jazz and r&b, Tuesday at 7 p.m.) and **The Ben Herod Trio** (jazz and swing, Wednesday at 7 p.m.). 301 Alvarado St., (831) 649-8151.

**Cuz’s Sportsman’s Club** in Seaside — **Black Velvet** (rock, Friday at 8 p.m.) and **The New Wave** (rock, Saturday at 8:30 p.m.). 594 Broadway Ave., (831) 394-2666.

**Cypress Inn** — singer and pianist **Dino Vera** (jazz, blues and r&b, Friday at 7 p.m.), pianist **Gennady Loktionov** and singer **Debbie Davis** (cabaret, Saturday at 7 p.m.), **The Andrea Carter Trio** (jazz and blues, Sunday at

11 a.m.), guitarist **Richard Devinck** (classical, Sunday at 6 p.m.) and singer **Lee Durley** and pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). Lincoln and Seventh, (831) 624-3871.

**Deja Blue** in Seaside — singer **Tony Lindsay**, keyboardist **Janice Maxey** and drummer **Leon Joyce** (jazz and blues, Saturday at 3 p.m.) and singer **Darlene Coleman**, keyboardist **Simon Russell**, bassist **David Daniels** and drummer **Lenny Joyce** (jazz and blues, Sunday at 3 p.m.). 500 Broadway Ave., (831) 383-2553.

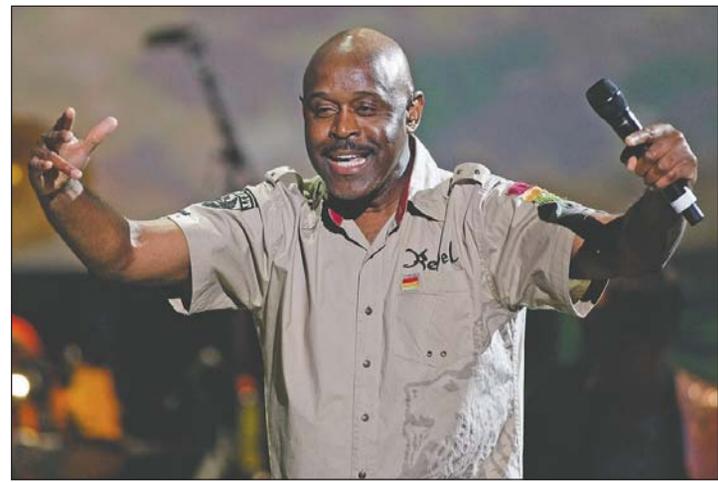
**Fernwood Resort** in Big Sur — **Songs Hot-box Harry Taight Us** (“Big Sur country,” Saturday at 9 p.m.). On Highway 1 26 miles south of Carmel, (831) 667-2422.

**Folktale Winery** in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Kris Angelis** (Friday at 3 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Rory Lynch** (Saturday at 3 p.m.), **The Rough Jazz Combo** (Sunday at noon) and singer and guitarist **Joe Kaplow** (Monday at 3 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road, (831) 293-7500.

**Gusto Pasta and Pizza** in Seaside — singer **Akina Miyata** and keyboardist **Bobby Phillips** (jazz, Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). 1901 Fremont Blvd., (831) 899-5825.

**Hyatt Carmel Highlands** — singer and pianist **Dino Vera** (jazz, blues and r&b, Saturday and Thursday at 7 p.m.). 120 Highlands Drive, (831) 620-1234.

**The Inn at Spanish Bay** in Pebble Beach — **The Andy Weis Band** with pianist **Bill Spencer** and bassist **Pete Lips** (jazz, Friday at 8:30 p.m.), **The Andy Weis Band** with pianist **Gary Meek** and bassist **Dan Robbins** (jazz, Saturday at 7 p.m.) and **The Andy Weis Band** with pianist **Gary Meek** and bassist **Steve Uccello** (jazz, Thursday at 7 p.m.). 2700 17 Mile Drive, (831) 647-7500.



Tony Lindsay, lead vocalist for Santana for 25 years, plays Saturday at Deja Blue in Seaside with keyboardist Janice Maxey and drummer Leon Joyce.

**Intercontinental Hotel** in Monterey — guitarist **Gil Cadilli** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **John Sherry** (folk, rock and blues, Saturday at 6 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Fred McCarty** (Sunday at 6 p.m.). 750 Cannery Row, (831) 375-4500.

**Juice and Java** in Pacific Grove — Open Mic Night (Friday at 6 p.m.). 599 Lighthouse Ave., (831) 373-8652.

**Julia’s Vegetarian Restaurant** in Pacific Grove — mandolinist **Dave Holodiloff** (bluegrass and jazz, Friday at 7 p.m.). 1180 Forest Ave., Suite F, (831) 656-9533.

**La Playa Hotel** — **The David Morwood Band** (jazz, Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 4 p.m.). In Bud’s Bar, Camino Real, (800) 582-8900.

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## SAVE THE DATES

### 2022 SCHEDULED RIBBON CUTTINGS AND MIXERS

Please join the Chamber in celebrating local businesses in our area by showing your #LocalLove support and learning about what they do best! All Ribbon Cuttings are Free to Members and the Community.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 24**  
Ribbon Cutting at Sanctuary Vacation Rentals  
Mission St and 8th Ave  
5:00 - 7:00 pm

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6**  
Mixer at Beachwood Home  
Ocean Ave and Mission St,  
Carmel Plaza, Suite 211  
5:00 - 7:00 pm

**THURSDAY, APRIL 21**  
Ribbon Cutting at Remedy Spa  
118 The Crossroads Blvd, Ste C118  
5:00 - 7:00 pm

**THURSDAY, APRIL 28**  
Ribbon Cutting at Carmel Valley Art Assoc  
9 Del Fino Pl, Carmel Valley  
5:00 - 7:00 pm

**THURSDAY, MAY 12**  
Ribbon Cutting at Hofsas House's  
75th Anniversary  
San Carlos St btwn 3rd and 4th Ave  
5:00 - 7:00 pm

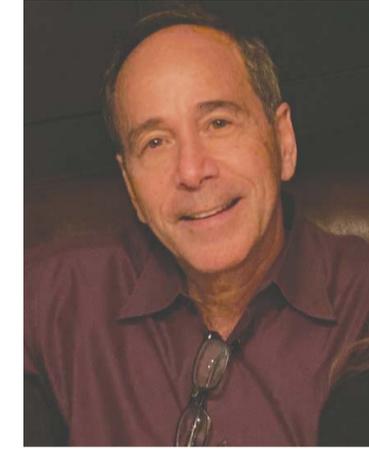
## A SPECIAL THANK YOU!

To the following Chamber members for their generous donations to our Visitor Center Volunteer Appreciation Celebration:  
The Carl Cherry Center for our venue; Anton & Michel; AW Schuks; Bennett Sculpture; Big Little Boxes; Cafe Carmel; Carmel Area Reservation Service; Carmel Belle; Carmel Dog Shop; Carmel Cottage Inn; Carmel Heritage Society; Carmel Plaza; Carmel Walks; Coast Carmel; Comcast; Dawson Cole Gallery; De Tierra Vineyards; Delia Bradford Fine Arts; Diggidy Dog; Lisa Bryan Art; McIntyre Vineyards; Monterey County Bank; Monterey Touring Vehicles; Muse Gallery; Nielsen Bros. Market; Princess Monterey Whale Watching; Refuge; Silvestri Vineyards; Social Hour; Stationary; Team Beesley; The Nut Hut; Tor House

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## BOARD MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

### DAVID LURIE, GENERAL MANAGER Carmel Mission Inn & Shearwater Tavern



David was born and raised in South Florida, he attended Florida International University and received a bachelor's degree in hospitality administration. After school he spent two years

just outside Lausanne, Switzerland cooking in kitchens. Upon his return he was hired at the Miami Airport Hilton launching his hospitality career. He then spent 15 years with Hilton, moving throughout the US and the West. David left Hilton after his last assignment at the Beverly Hilton & Towers to work for independent properties. Givenchy Hotel & Spa Palm Springs, La Mansion del Rio Hotel & Watermark Hotel & Spa San Antonio and St. Julien Hotel & Spa Boulder Colorado. He took a break from the Hotel Industry to raise his children in Boulder, Colorado and started a chocolate company producing a fantastic product that he invented called Sun Cups (like a Reese's peanut butter cup but made with roasted sunflower seed butter). Even though he grew his company and raised his kids he always had a yearning to return to his true passion with a company that shared the same values as him, taking care of and mentoring others while having fun doing it. Carmel Mission Inn and Evolution Hospitality was the perfect match. He began in September 2020 and since has successfully navigated the property through a major renovation and opening of a new restaurant Shearwater Tavern.

David has a son and a daughter, Grant lives in New York City and Joelle in Los Angeles. David joined the Carmel Chamber Board in January of 2021 and now serves on multiple committees.



**CAFE CARMEL Ribbon Cutting**  
Held March 3rd  
Photos by DMT Imaging



**SKIN & BODY METHOD Ribbon Cutting**  
Held March 10th  
Photos by DMT Imaging



This year's Volunteer Appreciation party was held at the beautiful Carl Cherry Center for the Arts. It was the perfect venue to celebrate our dynamic and generous volunteers as well as the retirement of our beloved Sandra Book, Director of Tourism at the Chamber of Commerce.

The Visitor Center is open 7 days a week, 360 days a year with 2 shifts of volunteers per day. Many of our volunteers have been with us 7 years or more and donate approximately 180 hours a year of their time.

To learn more about becoming a Visitors Center Volunteer, please contact Lynne Allenspach at 831-624-3877 ext 202 or tourism@carmelchamber.org.

# Museum offers talk on Monterey artist, Depression-era public art

**I**N A talk and tour offered Saturday at the Monterey Museum of Art, public art documentarian Kat Morgan will shine a light on the work of Monterey painter James Fitzgerald, along with several other local Depression-era artists whose creati-

and places. He also became a part of a colorful Cannery Row scene that included John Steinbeck and Doc Ricketts.

Fitzgerald is best remembered here for his mural, "Net Menders," which is displayed behind the bar in the Portola

Restaurant inside the Monterey Bay Aquarium. The striking piece shows local fisherman fixing the tools of their trade — like other artists who were paid to create by the WPA, Fitzgerald used

his paintbrush to capture people at work, a common theme during the 1930s.

Morgan's talk and tour will reveal interesting anecdotes about Fitzgerald's work,

See ART page 47A

## Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

ity was funded by a federal agency, the Works Progress Administration.

Arriving here as a young man on the eve of the Great Depression, Fitzgerald lived in Monterey from 1928 to 1943, where he used his creative talent to capture people



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**The library is excited to announce the return of events in celebration of National Poetry Month and a new gallery exhibit.**

Events are FREE with refreshment provided. Everyone is welcome. On Friday, April 1st Dr. Barbara Mossberg, PG poet in residence,



will kick them off with the first public reading of her new book: "It's here! Now is the time for happiness! *Here for the Present: A Grammar of Happiness in the Present Imperfect, Live from the Poet's Perch*, a reading at Ground Zero, where it all began, where Ramona the Pest meets Dante on 18th Street." No registration required. 6:30-8pm in the library.

Dr. Mossberg will return April 9th for a day-long *Transformational Memoir Writing Workshop "Joyshop"*. 10am-5pm at the library & Jewell Park. To register, please send an email to [barbara.mossberg@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.mossberg@gmail.com).



Created for what was then called Monterey Union High School in 1934-35, painter James Fitzgerald's mural, "Net Menders," is now on display inside the restaurant at the Monterey Bay Aquarium.

### More Events

**April 8** Opening Reception *Sea Scribes Gallery Showing & Poetry* by Patrick Flanigan 5:30-7:30pm

**April 16** The Value of Writing in Difficult Times *Patricia Vecchione* 2:00pm-4:00pm

**April 22** Theatrical Spoken Word Poetry *Monterey County's Poet Laureate Daniel B. Summerhill* 5:30pm-7:30pm

**April 26** Teen Blackout Poetry Event *Reference Librarian, Charlene Williams* 3:30pm-4:30pm



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PUBLIC NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220385 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: RTR WOODWORK, 316 Shires Way, Salinas, CA 93906.

court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name change as described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220333 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BRETT PLUMBING, 409 Grand Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220344 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Cornejo Quintero, 542 Towt St., Salinas, CA 93905, County of Monterey Registered Owner(s): Dorian Sarahi Cornejo Quintero, 542 Towt St., Salinas, CA 93905.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220436 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: REAL BROS AUTO PROS, 765 Elm Ave., Seaside, CA 93955.

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220435 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: RIVER OF THE HEART, 36865 Dormody Rd., #80, Carmel, CA 93923.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, KATHERINE GRACE DEAN, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: A. Present name: KATHERINE GRACE DEAN Proposed name: GRACE DEAN-SAADATI

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220436 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: RIVER OF THE HEART, 36865 Dormody Rd., #80, Carmel, CA 93923.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, April 5, 2022, on or after 4:30 p.m., the City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will hold a Public Hearing via teleconference for the following purpose:

Proposed Action: Consideration of a Permanent Encroachment Permit (EN 21-272) by Anthony Lombardo & Associates on behalf of Mr. Thomas Fountain for an existing fence located in the public right-of-way on the south side of Mr. Fountains residence on the northwest corner of Junipero Avenue and 8th Avenue in the Residential and Limited Commercial (RC) Zoning District.

Project Location: Northwest corner of Junipero Avenue and 8th Avenue, Block 89, Lot 26, APN: 010-087-019

Environmental Status: Categorically Exempt pursuant to Section 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.

Government Code section 54953(e) authorizes local legislative bodies to hold public meetings via teleconference and to make public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the local legislative body.

The health and well-being of our residents is the top priority for the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea. To that end, this meeting will be held via teleconference and web-streamed on the City's website http://www.ci.carmel.ca.us, and found by clicking on "Government" and then "Meetings".

To attend via Zoom (Copy and paste the link into your browser): https://ci-carmel-ca-us.zoom.us/j/86182772733?pwd=YmpFTS84b0RMymh1ajFmNkZBMWZlUT09

All interested persons are invited to attend via teleconference at the time and place specified above to give oral or written testimony concerning this matter. Written comments may be submitted to the City Clerk at City Hall located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921 or P.O. Box CC, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921 or by email cityclerk@ci.carmel.ca.us prior to the meeting.

The staff report and relevant documents will be available at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting on the City's website at http://www.ci.carmel.ca.us. For more information regarding City Council meetings, please contact the City Clerk's office at 831-620-2016 or by email: cityclerk@ci.carmel.ca.us

Please direct questions about this item to: Marnie R. Waffle, AICP, Principal Planner mwaffle@ci.carmel.ca.us or (831) 620-2057

Elm Ave., Seaside, CA 93955. This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 13, 2021.

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.

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 22CV000557 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, MARTHA ESTHER WATSON RENARD, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: A. Present name: MARTHA ESTHER WATSON RENARD Proposed name: MARTHA ESTHER RENARD

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name change as described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted.

NOTICE OF HEARING: DATE: April 22, 2022 TIME: 8:30 a.m. DEPT: 14 The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220436 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: RIVER OF THE HEART, 36865 Dormody Rd., #80, Carmel, CA 93923.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220436 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: OCEAN TREASURES, 216 Grand Avenue, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.

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.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220378 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BEYOND HOME, 2 Mission SW Alta, Carmel By The Sea, CA 93921.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220531 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SLUPE PEBBLES, 751 Canary Row, Unit 117, Monterey, CA 93940.

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 23, 2022. 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.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220421 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MONTEREY BAY WINDOW CLEANING COMPANY, 26080 Carmel Rancho Blvd., Carmel, CA 93923.

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.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220468 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: OCEAN TREASURES, 216 Grand Avenue, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220531 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SLUPE PEBBLES, 751 Canary Row, Unit 117, Monterey, CA 93940.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220538 Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: WESTWIND INC., 730 Neeson Road, Marina, CA 93933.

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).

SUMMONS ON FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT (Citation Judicial) CASE NUMBER: 22CV00805 NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (Aviso al demandado)

BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF AMERICA, a California corporation; BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF MONTEREY COUNTY, a California corporation; BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF MONTEREY COUNTY, a California Corporation; JON DAVID WOODY, an individual; and DOES 1-50 inclusive YOU ARE 1-50 SUEED BY PLAINTIFF (Lo sta demandando el demandante)

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

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response to this court and have a copy served on the respondent. After the phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program.

AVISO: Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación. Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. La carta o una llamada telefónica no la protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto. Es posible que necesite un abogado. Si no sabe que hacer, llame a un abogado que le ayude a preparar su caso en la corte. Si existe que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder su caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia.

Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales de bajo costo. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder su caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia.

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The name and address of the court is (El nombre y dirección de la corte es): MONTEREY COURTHOUSE 1200 AGUAJITO ROAD MONTEREY, CA 93940

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220538 Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: WESTWIND INC., 730 Neeson Road, Marina, CA 93933.

Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277). S/Guy A. Petree, President Date: March 11, 2022 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 11, 2022.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220537 Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1. PEMCON INCORPORATED 2. WESTWIND INC. 3. PEMCON

730 Neeson Road, Marina, CA 93933. County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY. Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: PEMCON INCORPORATED, 730 Neeson Road, Marina, CA 93933. State of Inc./Org./Reg.: California This business is conducted by a corporation.

Registration commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 21, 1994. BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000), or imprisonment in the State Prison for a term not to exceed one year, or both.

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.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220541 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PIZANO MOBILE WELDING, 63101 Argyle Rd., King City, California 93930.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20220568 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: GINEZ, 1300 Lincoln Ave., Pacific Grove, California 93950.

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# MUSIC

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and Ocean, (831) 250-7816.

**The Lodge at Pebble Beach** — singer **Hayley Jane** (rock, jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kevin Pfeffer** (Saturday at 6 p.m.) and singer and multi-instrumentalist **Meredith McHenry** (Sunday at 6 p.m.). In the Terrace Lounge at 1700 17 Mile Drive, (831) 624-3811.

**Midici Pizza** in Monterey — singer **Miranda Perl** and guitarist **Adam Astrup** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.) and trumpeter **Brian Stock** and keyboardist **Bill Spencer** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St., (831) 264-7013.

**Mission Ranch** — singer and pianist **Maddalaine Edstrom** (jazz and pop, Friday through Sunday at 5 p.m.) and pianist **Gennady Loktionov** (jazz, Monday through Thursday at 5 p.m.). 26270 Dolores St., (831) 625-9040.

**Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa** — pianist **Gary Meek** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), pianist **Steve Mann** (jazz and rock, Saturday at 6 p.m.), singer and pianist **Scott Brown** (jazz and pop, Sunday at 6 p.m.) singer and guitarist **Johan Sotelo** (Monday at 6 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Fred McCarty** (Tuesday at 6 p.m.). 400 Cannery Row, (831) 646-1700.

**Puma Road at Portola Plaza** in Monterey — singer and guitarist **Matt Masih** (Friday at 5 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Anthony Presti** (Saturday at 5 p.m.) and guitarist **Glenn Bell** (Sunday at 5 p.m.). 281 Alvarado St., (831) 747-1911.

**Rio Grill** — singer and guitarist **Johan Sotelo** (Friday at 5 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kevin Pfeffer** (Saturday at noon) and singer **Hayley Jane** (rock, Sunday at noon). Crossroads shopping center, (831) 625-5436.

**The Salty Seal Pub** in Monterey — **Kid Dynamite** (pop and rock, Friday at 8 p.m.) and **The Transducers** (rock and funk, Saturday at 8 p.m.). 653 Cannery Row, (831) 920-2327.

**The Sardine Factory** in Monterey — singer and multi-instrumentalist **David Conley** (pop and rock, Friday and Saturday, Tuesday through Thursday at 7:30 p.m.). 701 Wave St., (831) 375-3775.

**Sly McFly's** in Monterey — **The Bridget Marie Band** (r&b and funk, Friday at 9 p.m.), **The Rockafellas Band** (rock and pop, Saturday at 9 p.m.), **The Stingrays** (rock, Sunday at 8:30 p.m.), **The Long Distance Flyers** (classic rock, Monday at 8:30 p.m.), **Rhythm Tribe West** (classic rock, Tuesday at 8:30 p.m.), **The DC Trio** (funk and r&b, Wednesday at 8:30 p.m.) and **Retreuxspect** (classic

rock, Thursday at 8:30 p.m.). 700 Cannery Row, (831) 649-8050.

**Tarpy's** in Monterey — singer and guitarist **Kevin Pfeffer** (Friday at 5 p.m.), singer **Hayley Jane** (rock, Saturday at noon) and singer and guitarist **Johan Sotelo** (Sunday at noon). 2999 Highway 68, (831) 647-1444.

**Trailside Cafe** in Carmel Valley — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Meredith McHenry** (Friday at 6 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Dave "Nomad" Miller** (Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place, (831) 298-7453.

**Urban Lounge** at the Red Lion Hotel in Monterey — **Retreuxspect** (classic rock, Saturday at 7 p.m.) and **The New Wave** (rock, Saturday at 7 p.m.). 1425 Munras Ave., (831) 649-4771.

**Wild Fish** restaurant in Pacific Grove — **The Light-house Jazz Quartet** with pianist **Bob Phillips**, saxophonist **Paul Contos**, bassist **Zach Westfall** and drummer **Mike Shannon** (Friday, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 545 Light-house Ave., (831) 373-8523.

# ART

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and delve into the art of some of his colleagues who also worked for the WPA.

“What’s really important is the way artists were able to survive — and continue to develop their skills — even during the Depression,” she explained.

“Being employed as an artist is such a hard thing — working for the WPA was an essential part of a lot of artists’ careers,” she added.

An exhibit of Fitzgerald’s art, “Seeking Eden,” is on display at the museum through April 23.

Tickets for Saturday’s talk and tour, which start at 2 p.m., are \$5 for museum members and \$20 for others.

The museum is located at 559 Pacific St., and the website is montereyart.org

# CALENDAR

**March 26 - The Junior League of Monterey County hosts LUNAFEST, a traveling film festival of short films made by and about women,** and an online silent auction of enticing local experiences. Benefiting the JLMC, a non-profit organization dedicated to community impact and women’s leadership development in Monterey County. Films accessible for 48 hours. Tickets at [www.jlmontereycounty.org](http://www.jlmontereycounty.org)

**March 27 - Trumpet and Organ Magic!** Music at St. Dunstan’s presents Greg Smith, trumpet, joined by St. Dunstan’s Music Director Rodney Gehrke, organ, for an ethereal afternoon of duets and solos ranging from baroque to modern. Mr. Smith has performed in orchestras, operas, and chamber ensembles across the U.S. Mr. Gehrke is a concert organist, harpsichordist, pianist, conductor, choir director, teacher, and liturgical musician. Guests are invited to a reception with remarks by the artists at 3 pm, with the concert at 4. Tickets \$25 at the door; students and under 18 free. 28005 Robinson Canyon Road, Carmel Valley. 831-624-6646. stdcv.org.

**April 1 - Here for the Present: A Grammar of Happiness in the Present Imperfect, Live from the Poet’s Perch.** Join Barbara Mossberg for “a reading at Ground Zero, where it all

began, where Ramona the Pest meets Dante on 18th Street.” At Pacific Grove Library, 6:30 to 8 p.m. [www.pacificgrovelibrary.org](http://www.pacificgrovelibrary.org)

**April 4 - Syndicated columnist Sharon Randall brings her unique story-telling talent to the Carmel Woman’s Club** at 2 p.m. An award-winning writer, Randall has had work distributed to more than 400 newspapers and an estimated six million readers nationwide. Locally her column appears in Carmel Magazine. A coffee/tea reception follows the presentation. Members free; guests \$10. Reservations not necessary but proof of vaccination required. The Carmel Woman’s Club is at Ninth and San Carlos in Carmel. (831) 624-2866 or (831) 594-6200.

**April 27 - Carmel Public Library Foundation’s Annual Fundraiser: The Futurist Edition, with acclaimed futurist, leading global strategy adviser and best-selling author, Parag Khanna.** An exhilarating exploration that envisions our global destiny. 7 p.m. Sunset Center Theater and Online. Register on our website: [www.carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org](http://www.carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org). Questions: [info@carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org](mailto:info@carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org) or (831) 624-2811

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# PUBLIC NOTICES

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY**  
**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
 Case No. 22CV000732  
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, PAUL DAVID OTTERBACH, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
**A. Present name:** PAUL DAVID OTTERBACH  
**Proposed name:** DAVID JESSMAN BACH  
 THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**NOTICE OF HEARING:**  
 Date: April 29, 2022  
 Time: 8:30 a.m.  
 DEPT: 13  
 The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.  
 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.  
 (s) Thomas W. Wills  
 Clerk of the Superior Court  
 Date filed: March 16, 2022  
 Publication Dates: March 25; April 1, 8, 15, 2022. (PC 323)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
 File No. 20220431  
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MEDENTIUM, 1120 Forest Ave. #146, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.**  
 County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
 Registered Owner(s): EVA POPOVICOVA, 1120 Forest Ave. #146, 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.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
 S/Eva Popovicova  
 Date signed: Feb. 25, 2022  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 28, 2022.  
**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: March 25; April 1, 8, 15, 2022. (PC 325)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
 File No. 20220573  
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **KPI GROUP, 820 Park Row #777, Salinas, CA 93901.**  
 County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
 Registered Owner(s): DAVID M. KILOGAN, 820 Park Row #777, Salinas, CA 93901.  
 This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.  
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 S/David M. Kilogram  
 Date signed: March 17, 2022  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 17, 2022.  
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 Publication Dates: March 25; April 1, 8, 15, 2022. (PC 324)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
 File No. 20220415  
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MJ SAFETY CONSULTING, 858 17 Mile Dr., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.**  
 County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
 Registered Owner(s): MATTHEW STEVEN JAMES, 858 17 Mile Dr., 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 Nov. 1, 2021.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
 S/Matthew Steven James  
 Date signed: Feb. 25, 2022  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 25, 2022.  
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under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
 Publication Dates: March 25; April 1, 8, 15, 2022. (PC 326)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
 File No. 20220560  
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **PACIFIC LENS PRODUCTIONS, 1570 Luxton Street, Seaside, CA 93955.**  
**Mailing address: P.O. Box 576, Carmel, CA 93921.**  
 County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
 Registered Owner(s): MARLON EDMUNDO ESPINO, 1570 Luxton Street, Seaside, CA 93955.  
 This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 14, 2021.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
 S/Marlon Espino  
 Date signed: March 14, 2022  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 14, 2022.  
**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: March 25; April 1, 8, 15, 2022. (PC 327)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
 File No. 20220470  
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **LUXURY CUSTOM PAINTING, 2105 Noche Buena St., Seaside, CA 93955.**  
**Mailing address: P.O. Box 318, Seaside, CA 93955.**  
 County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
 Registered Owner(s): OMAR BENITO JUAREZ LUCAS, 2105 Noche Buena St., Seaside, CA 93955.  
 This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 3, 2022.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
 S/Omar Benito Juarez Lucas  
 Date signed: March 3, 2022  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 3, 2022.  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
 File No. 20220520  
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **HOOPGROOVIN', 19309 Cachagua Rd., Carmel Valley, CA 93924.**  
**Mailing address: P.O. Box 1396, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.**  
 County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
 Registered Owner(s): MARYANN MADAYAG BONSPER, 19309 Cachagua Rd., Carmel Valley, CA 93924.  
 This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 9, 2022.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
 S/Maryann Madayag Bonselper  
 Date signed: March 9, 2022  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 9, 2022.  
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 Publication Dates: March 25; April 1, 8, 15, 2022. (PC 322)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
 File No. 20220516  
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **GRACE'S CLEANING SERVICES, 1141 Kimberly Court, Seaside, CA 93955.**  
**Mailing address: P.O. Box 23, Pebble Beach, CA 93953.**  
 County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
 Registered Owner(s): GRACIELA HERNANDEZ RINCON, 1141 Kimberly Court, Seaside, CA 93955.  
 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.  
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 S/Graciela Hernandez Rincon  
 Date signed: March 8, 2022  
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 S/Graciela Hernandez Rincon  
 Date signed: March 8, 2022  
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**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF KAREN EILEEN RAVN aka KAREN E. RAVN aka KAREN RAVN Case Number 22PR000111**  
 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of KAREN EILEEN RAVN aka KAREN E. RAVN aka KAREN RAVN.  
**A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by CECELIA E. TRAUGH** in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.  
 The Petition for Probate requests that CECELIA E. TRAUGH be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
 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: May 4, 2022  
 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:  
 Julie King, Esq. and Tricia L. Manning, Esq.  
 2100 Garden Road, Suite G  
 Monterey, CA 93940  
 (831) 275-1002  
 This statement was filed by Superior Court of California, County of Monterey on March 22, 2022.  
 Publication dates: March 25; April 1, 8, 2022. (PC331)



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## The Carmel Pine Cone

# Real Estate



■ This week's cover, located in Marina, is presented by Renee Catania of Monterey Coast Realty. (See Page 2 RE)



# About the Cover

The Carmel Pine Cone

## Real Estate

March 25-31, 2022



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## Real Estate Sales March 13 - 19

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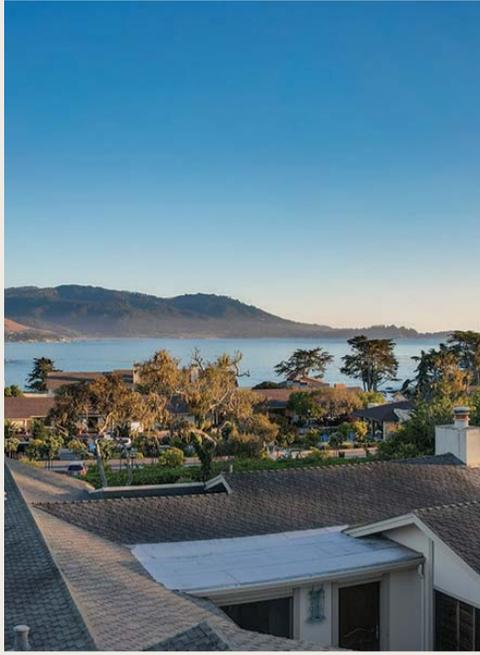
#### Garrapatos Road — \$705,000

Jason and Jeremy Slate to Edward Stotz  
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Laura and Victor Pavloff to Lucas Ryan  
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# HOME SALES

From page 2RE

## Carmel

**24658 Santa Rita Street — \$1,350,000**

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**Camino del Monte — \$1,475,000**

Arlene Lucier to Irwin and Vivian Eskanos  
APN: 010-391-014

## Carmel Highlands

**208 Upper Walden Road — \$3,100,000**

Michael and Chris Gordon to Paul Pedersen and Sally Johnson  
APN: 241-231-004



208 Upper Walden Road, Carmel Highlands — \$3,100,000

## Carmel Valley

**27 San Clemente Trail — \$445,000**

Raymond and Amy Sims to Timothy Lin and Emily Joseph  
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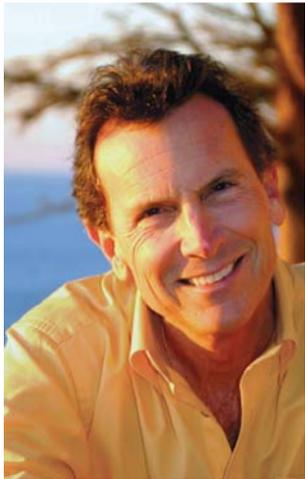


1122 Sawmill Gulch, Pebble Beach — \$2,000,000

**14 Vasquez Trail — \$800,000**

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## As if there isn't enough to worry about, now we have more time to worry

ONE OF my favorite columnists, Lenore Skenazy, recently wrote that watching television and surfing the internet drives us crazy with worry. "From the morning shows to the Facebook feed to the local news at night, all we hear about is danger, danger, danger. Salmonella on the cutting board! Poisons in plastic! Predators on the web and perverts at the park! Is there a killer lurking in your kitchen cabinet? Details at 11!"

I agree with her. Since daylight saving time kicked in on March 15, we have more sunlight to enjoy. The problem is we have more time to be awake and worry. Now with the price of everything entering a black hole, I'm not sure we can afford an extra hour.

### Making choices

On the first evening of daylight saving time I used that extra light to grill some chicken on the barbeque. Inflation and rising meat prices have made chicken our protein of choice.

It is important to engage in strategic meal planning to cope with higher food prices. We are planning a cookout on the 4th of July. I put a couple of rib-eyes on lay-a-way. Only four more payments and they're ours.

Soaring gas prices have required strategic driving, too. Combining errands helps. If gas prices continue to rise I'm thinking of having a 5-hour energy drink for breakfast and jogging everywhere.

Ukraine is another thing to worry about with that extra hour of daylight. My sympathies are with the Ukrainian people against the madman running Russia. Yet I worry when the former comedian running Ukraine suspends all political opposition. That's not funny. Isn't that what dictators do? By the way, the same folks in charge

of the disastrous withdrawal from Afghanistan are handling the crisis in Ukraine. What could possibly go wrong? Nothing to worry about there!

The pandemic put a serious dent in my ability to trust the institutions we depend upon to protect us. The lockdowns, especially, made me question why a govern-

## Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVAISE

ment thought it could help the populace by limiting people's ability to earn a living and destroying a booming economy by shutting down small businesses. Yes, I've certainly become more suspicious with age. I look for supported facts rather than justifications for preconceived conclusions. As the Gipper said, "Trust. But verify." I try to use common sense.

### True things

Now let me speak to you of common sense by listing seven things I know are true.

No 1. Here is my take on the sexes. If I had a dollar for every gender, I'd have two dollars. You can take that to the bank. By allowing men to compete in women's sports, the NCAA is destroying opportunities for women, making a mockery of its championships, and perpetuating a fraud. Why aren't women's groups raging against this travesty? Let me make it simple for you. The NCAA sanctions men beating your daughters in sports and taking scholarships away from them. Men do not belong in women's sports or in ladies' locker rooms. Period.

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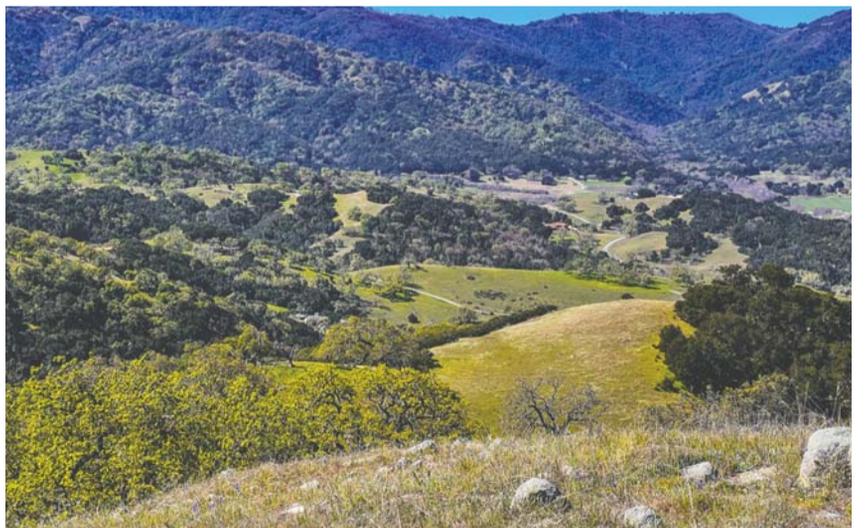


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**POLICE LOG**

From page 4A

**TUESDAY, MARCH 8**

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Courtesy report for pouch and cell phone lost in Pebble Beach today.

**Pacific Grove:** Dispatched to a found bike on Forest. Silver men's bike with no seat. Back gear locked. No serial number.

**Pacific Grove:** A walking cane was brought to the police department lobby. Held for safekeeping until an owner is identified.

**Pacific Grove:** Newspaper rack taken from outside a grocery store on Forest.

**Pacific Grove:** Vehicle was stopped on David Avenue for a traffic violation. The driver admitted to being unlicensed and having a fraudulent registration tag on his vehicle. Vehicle was towed.

**Pacific Grove:** A male on Gate Street

battered his elderly relative with an object. The 47-year-old was arrested for felony elder abuse causing harm or death and booked into Monterey County Jail on \$30,000 bail.

**Pacific Grove:** Vehicle towed from 19th Street. Associated with two hit-and-run collisions in another jurisdiction.

**Carmel Valley:** Argument between and ex-husband and ex-wife on Rancho San Carlos Road.

**Carmel Valley:** Resident on West Carmel Valley Road reported theft of a laptop and credit cards.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9**

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of stolen vehicle on Santa Rita later linked to multiple cases outside the city. Vehicle was later recovered.

**Pacific Grove:** Battery occurred on

See **SHERIFF** page 10RE

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# SHERIFF

From page 8RE

threats on East Carmel Valley Road.

## THURSDAY, MARCH 10

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Investigated vehicle burglaries on Sixth and on San Carlos. Identified a 40-year-old male suspect and a 46-year-old female suspect. Both were booked into Monterey County Jail on various charges, including burglary, grand theft, possession of stolen property and violation of felony parole. The female was held on \$65,000 bail for two charges, and the male was held on \$165,000 bail for four charges.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Found gold ring on San Antonio Avenue.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Owner reported her women's wallet lost or left behind at a business on Ocean Avenue.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A patrol officer reported a mountain lion sighting on Dolores Street at 2130 hours.

**Pacific Grove:** A 32-year-old male was arrested for outstanding warrants from out of

county for petty theft and giving false identification to an officer, and was booked into Monterey County Jail on \$25,000 bail.

**Carmel Valley:** Vehicle towed from East Carmel Valley Road for a traffic violation.

**Big Sur:** Online report of theft on Clear Ridge Road.

**Carmel Valley:** Vandalism on Sky Ranch Road.

**Pebble Beach:** Deputies responded to a request for a welfare check on a Pine Meadows Way resident. Upon arriving, they discovered an unresponsive subject on the ground. Entry into the residence was forced, and the subject was transported to an area hospital.

**Pacific Grove:** Stolen bicycle reported on Lighthouse.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Verbal dispute between neighbors on Lobos who were once in a dating relationship. The male was reported to be banging on the windows and door of the female's residence. Contact was attempted with the male but was unsuccessful.

## FRIDAY, MARCH 11

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Unoccupied parked vehicle on Scenic was towed for hazard — blocking fire department access to beach — at 0053 hours.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Binoculars found on Fifth Avenue and brought to the police department for safekeeping pending owner identification.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Domestic dispute on Lobos.

**Carmel area:** Trespassing reported on Rio Road.

**Big Sur:** Male on Highway 1 reported his vehicle burglarized.

## SATURDAY, MARCH 12

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Trespassing at a residence on Casanova.

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### 206 Hacienda Carmel — \$920,000

Damon and Theresa Ogando to Bruce and Pearl Harr  
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### La Mital — \$1,590,000

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APN: 189-462-005

## Highway 68

### 86 Montsalas Drive — \$775,000

JRSEV LLC to Kristine Farmer  
APN: 101-261-036

### 389 San Benancio Road — \$920,000

Elsa Villalobos to Benjamin and Tarin Christensen  
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See **MORE SALES** page 17RE



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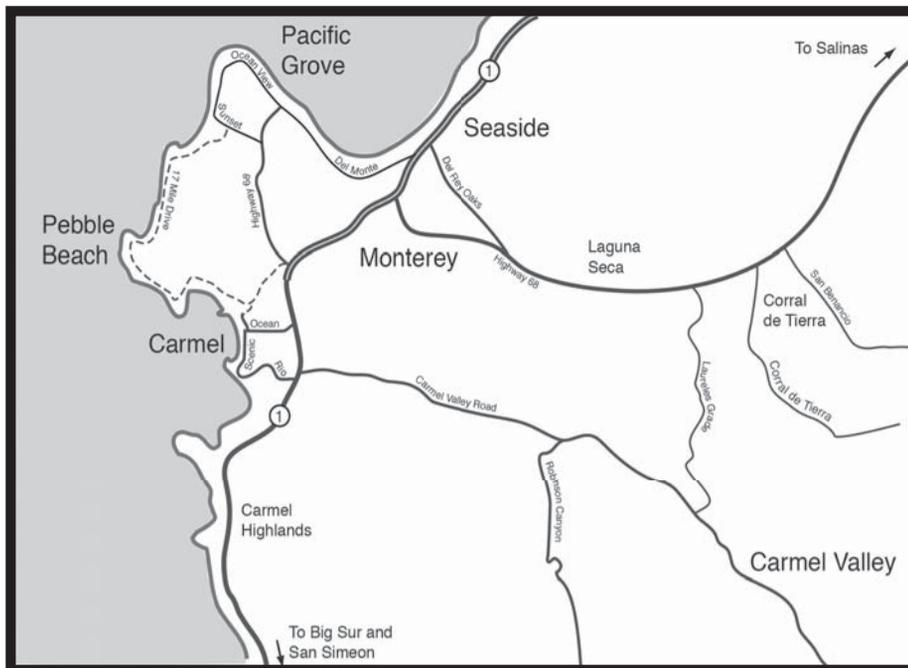
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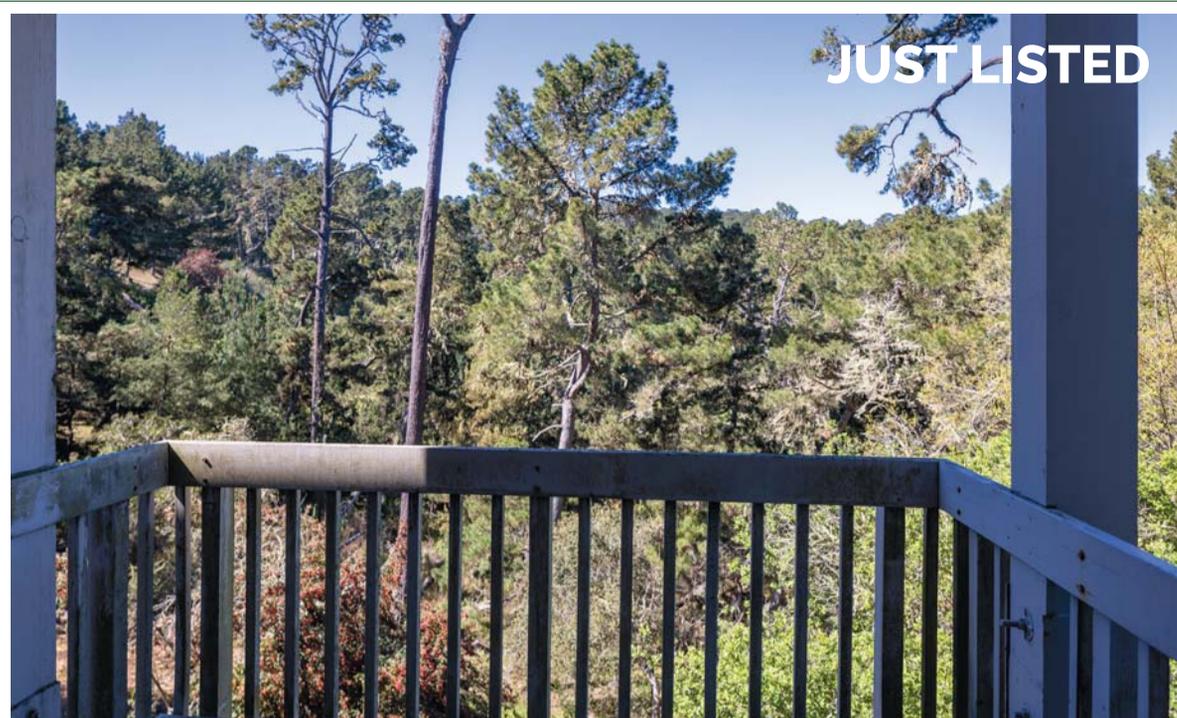
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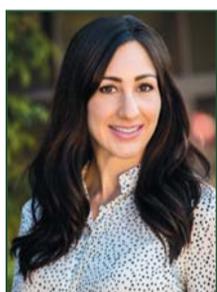


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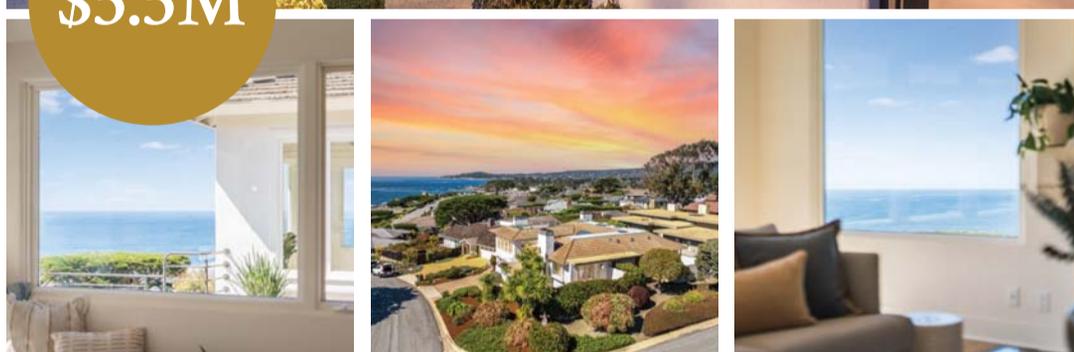
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## CALLS

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**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Hit-and-run involving two vehicles at Del Mar. Suspect vehicle information provided.

**Pacific Grove:** Domestic battery on Ocean View Boulevard.

**Pacific Grove:** A pair of binoculars was found on a bench on the rec trail near Ocean View Boulevard. Owner information is not known, so the item will be held for safekeeping.

**Pacific Grove:** Non injury collision involving a city vehicle vs. tree branch on Asilomar Avenue.

**Carmel Valley:** A male on Village Drive was placed on a 5150 W&I hold [danger to self or others].

**Carmel area:** Civil dispute over property on Via Riviera. This report is for informational purposes only.

### SUNDAY, MARCH 13

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Four male juveniles were contacted during a traffic stop on Mountain View at 0013 hours. Driver was cited for driving without a license. All four were warned for curfew violations and were driven home by their parents.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A citizen reported a loose dog in the residential area of Forest Avenue. The dog was located, and an officer followed it home. The owner was working on fixing his fence at the time of contact. Suggestions for confining the dog were discussed, and a warning was given.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Non-injury accident on Ocean Avenue involving two parked vehicles.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Civil incident in Mission Trail park.

**Pacific Grove:** DUI arrest at 0402 hours on Ransford. Subject found in possession off an illegal knife. The 35-year-old male was booked into Monterey County Jail on \$15,000 bail.

**Pacific Grove:** Mental health hold on Lighthouse Avenue.

**Pacific Grove:** Citation issued on Asilomar Avenue for driving on a suspended license.

**Pacific Grove:** Repeated medical calls from Country Club Gate.

**Carmel Valley:** Deputies responded to a battery on Lauroles Grade involving a metal pipe involving a male and a female suspect and a male victim.

**Carmel Valley:** A probation search of a residence on El Caminito yielded controlled substances and drug paraphernalia.

### MONDAY, MARCH 14

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Battery between two roommates on Fraser Way at 0136 hours.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Hit-and-run on Scenic Road at 0655 hours with property damage.

**Pacific Grove:** Vandalism on Eighth Street.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Units responded to a vehicle collision on Torres involving four parked vehicles. The driver complained of pain to her knee and was transported to CHOMP.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** During a traffic enforcement stop on Highway 1, a male was arrested for an outstanding warrant. Cited and released.

**Pacific Grove:** A found cell phone on Sunset was turned in to the lobby. No owner information is known. Currently held for safekeeping.

**Pacific Grove:** Internet fraud reported on Crocker.

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# GERVASE

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*I, you, he, she, it, we, they, me, him, her, us, and them.* (Source: Oxford English Dictionary). If you think there are more, find a safe place. Stay there. Forever.

No. 3. Words to live by: Kneel in prayer. Stand for the anthem. Sit through sermons in church. (Even a mediocre one will help you.) Fly to her side when you see her across a crowded room (Oscar Hammerstein II). Do not go gentle into that good night (Dylan Thomas). Forgive your enemies but remember their names (JFK). Take the trash out as soon as the request to do so is made (me). There is no such thing as a free lunch (everybody).

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No. 6. Reading my column, along with proper diet, exercise, and eight hours of sleep every night, is good for your health.

No. 7. Today you are you. That is truer than true.

There is no one alive who is you-er than you. (Dr. Seuss)

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She requested the tea be tested for toxins.

**T**orres Street resident reported her ex-husband harassing her over the ownership of some Legos.

# MORE SALES

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## Highway 68 (con't.)

**134 Littlefield Road — \$1,200,000**

Gordon Casey to Abigail Janko  
APN: 101-052-006

**22288 Capote Drive — \$1,200,000**

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**466 Russell Way — \$1,078,000**

JPA Marina Builders Inc. to Cecil Reece  
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**2998 Tyndall Way — \$1,186,000**

JPA Marina Builders Inc. to Brent Webber  
APN: 031-277-071

## Monterey

**300 Glenwood Circle unit 309 — \$477,000**



511 8th Street, Pacific Grove — \$1,915,000

Dawn Verdick to Myong Yi  
APN: 001-776-023

**585 Laine Street unit 15 — \$750,000**

Laine Hill Condominiums to Shayna Osborne  
APN: 001-996-015

**17 Cielo Vista Drive — \$1,100,000**

Sharon Suter to Sandeep Saini  
APN: 001-922-014

**205 Soledad Drive — \$1,100,000**

Linda Wendtland to Chen Qiang  
APN: 001-954-020

**851 Lily Street — \$1,350,000**

Nicky Albert to Martha Hauf



22288 Capote Drive, Highway 68 — \$1,200,000

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**601 Cass Street — \$1,500,000**

Eureka Group LP to Eureka Group LLC  
APN: 001-681-036

**900 Cass Street — \$1,700,000**

Ronald Chaplan to 900 Cass LLC  
APN: 001-606-004

## Pacific Grove

**135 17th Street — \$1,050,000**

Annie Alexander to Kevin Yarbrough and Miranda Day  
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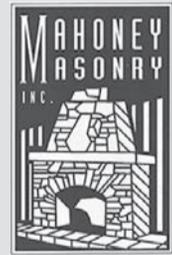
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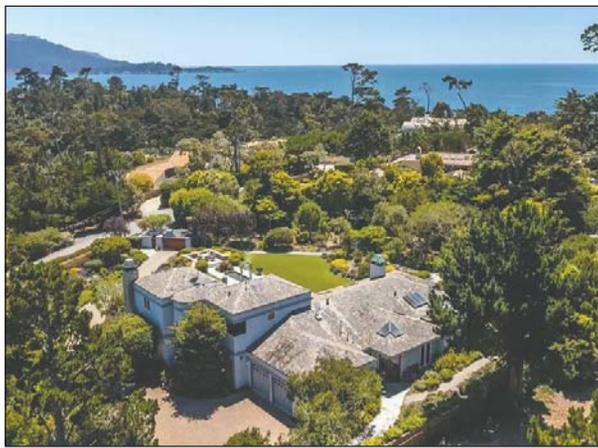
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## Pacific Grove (con't.)

### 1331 Buena Vista Avenue — \$1,095,000

Paul Hallinan to Mitchell Neuger and Krista Reuther  
APN: 007-564-058

### 305 Stuart Avenue — \$1,550,000

Your Golden Key No. 1 LLC to Sandra Raas  
APN: 006-723-001

### 904 Laurie Circle — \$1,875,000

Sabu Shake Jr. to Jack and Jan Rothacker  
APN: 006-621-064

### 511 8th Street — \$1,915,000

Michael and Janis De Lay to Edward and Ann Lipson  
APN: 006-506-010

### 611 Spazier Avenue — \$2,060,000

Michelle Bolinger and Radona Johnson to Mary Blakely  
APN: 006-652-010

### 869 Del Monte Blvd. — \$4,786,000

Gail and Richard Salice to Timothy Bresnahan and Lenis Hazlett  
APN: 006-063-016

## Pebble Beach

### 1122 Sawmill Gulch — \$2,000,000

Richard Goodwin and Fraley Trust to Craig and Karen Neyman  
APN: 007-174-011

### Portola Road — \$2,833,500

Shereen Caswell to Pebble Tree LLC  
APN: 008-302-023

### 1471 Padre Lane — \$7,055,500

Robert Kent to Dawn and Matthew Berger  
APN: 008-441-031

## Seaside

### 395 Sonoma Avenue — \$510,000

Robert Crannell to Colton Moore  
APN: 011-315-010

### 1231 Rousch Avenue — \$725,000

Michael Chelew to Sergei Podoprigora  
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### 1010 Olympic Lane — \$750,000

Sergey Komarintskiy to Jennifer Tsai  
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### 1700 Waring Street — \$815,000

Doris Dale to Michael Hesse  
APN: 012-764-009

### 1693 Mescal Street — \$830,000

Rita Ed to Timothy Murphy  
APN: 012-664-007

### 665 Sonoma Avenue — \$880,000

Paul Rodriguez to Javier Virgen  
APN: 011-326-011

### 4506 Seascapes Court — \$1,275,000

Carlos Montero to Adriatic LLC  
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### Coe Avenue — \$10,980,000

SRD R LLC to Shea Homes LP  
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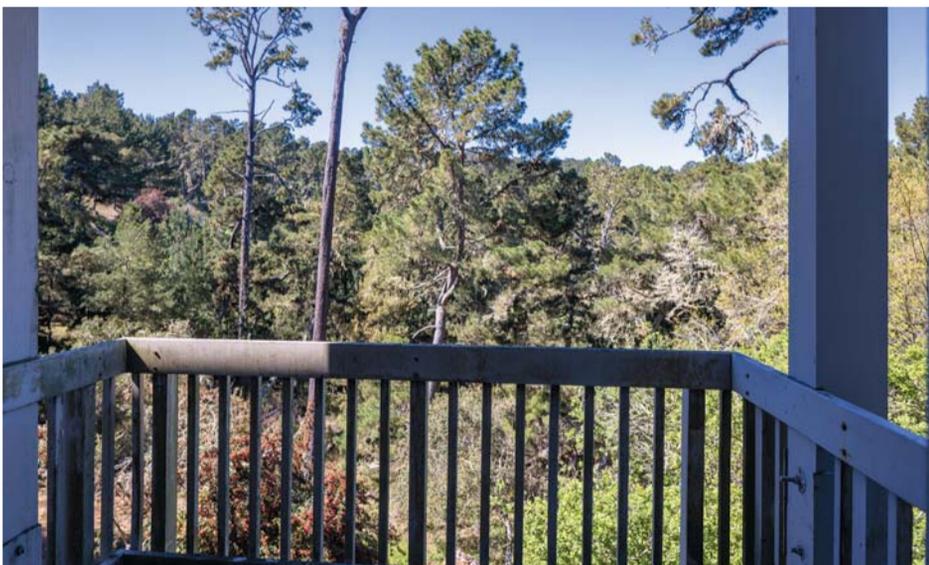


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