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Living close to nature creates unique problems

By CHRIS COUNTS

A WILDLIFE control specialist who works mostly in Monterey and Santa Cruz counties, Rebecca Dymtryk of Moss Landing sees each spring how nature's yearly bounty of four-legged babies can turn into a nightmare for homeowners.

Just this week, she shared with The Pine Cone the story of a raccoon whose motherly devotion landed her in a spot so tight that human help had to be called in.

According to Dymtryk, a woman who lives near Los Gatos recently watched a raccoon exit her home through a hole in the roof. To prevent its return, she patched it up.

"But the next morning, she woke up to see the raccoon was stuck inside the roof trying to get to her babies in the attic," she said.

Funny but poignant

A photo shows the raccoon's back half poking out of a shingle roof with its legs sticking up in the air. But as humorous as the image appears, Dymtryk said the raccoon's struggle to escape might have killed it had help not showed up to free it.

After seeing the raccoon in its predicament, the woman called Dymtryk for help. But the latter was

an hour away and told her the raccoon "didn't have that much time." Fortunately, the woman was quickly able to find a crew of workers nearby who were able to lend a hand.

"Thanks to quick work, the opening was widened

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Seeking a way to get into an attic after a hole was patched up, a raccoon got into an embarrassing spot this week, but help soon arrived to free her.

Water-wise Peninsula will have to save more

State bans watering 'decorative' lawns

By KELLY NIX

ON THE heels of Gov. Gavin Newsom's call this week for "more aggressive" actions to combat the state-wide drought and "avoid a crisis," the head of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District said the agency is asking residents to conserve more water — but it would also step up enforcement.

After Californians failed to meet a goal Newsom set last year to reduce water usage by 15 percent, he issued an executive order in March calling on water agencies to ramp up their conservation efforts. This week, Newsom reiterated the demand, saying "We all have to be more thoughtful about how to make every drop count."

Fines and penalties

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District general manager Dave Stoldt said the agency's board of directors was expected Thursday night to approve moving the Peninsula into the district's Stage 2 conservation, which involves voluntary water-saving efforts but also calls for increased enforcement, including monetary fines for violations for things like failing to repair leaks. Stage 2 is in response to Newsom's March order, Stoldt said. The rule will be effective June 1.

"The last time we went to Stage 2 was during the last four-year drought," Stoldt told The Pine Cone Tuesday. "We did issue fines and penalties that last time."

The district and California American Water will notify hotels and restaurants of stepped-up enforcement under Stage 2.

Stoldt said the water district issued several fines during the last drought and most were in the \$50 range. Violators are warned before they are penalized. Additional violations bring increased fines.

Newsom said Californians should take shorter showers, limit outdoor watering to one day a week, use a broom instead of a hose to clean outdoor areas and wash full loads of clothes, a measure he said could save up to 45 gallons of water per load.

"Every water agency across the state needs to take

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REFUGEE AFGHAN FAMILY TO ARRIVE WITHIN DAYS

Locals to provide support for year

By KELLY NIX

AN AFGHAN family forced to flee that country late last year to escape the Taliban after the withdrawal of U.S. troops will soon live in Monterey County, and several families have committed to paying all their living expenses for at least six months.

Marina resident Bob Brunson said he and his wife, Teresa, like many Americans, were upset and saddened by news articles and images of Afghan residents trying to get out of Afghanistan as the Islamist Taliban closed in.

"We got together with five or six other couples we know and said, 'We should just do something,'" Brunson told The Pine Cone this week.

The Marina residents contacted a nonprofit called Sponsor Circles that enables Americans with the financial means to pay the living expenses of Afghan refugees for at least 90 days. Brunson applied and the organization

connected him with a group called HIAS that was founded in 1881 to help Jews flee persecution in Russia and Eastern Europe. The group, whose mission is, "Welcome the stranger — protect the refugee," is organizing the Afghan family's relocation to the county.

"They recommend supporting the family for six months," Brunson said. "But we are prepared to sponsor this family for probably a year because it's so expensive here."

The family of five is made up of a 33-year-old father, 26-year-old mother and two girls, 4 and 7.

"And Mom is in her third trimester," Brunson said. "They are arriving May 30 to June 2. We will know a day ahead of time before they arrive."

First mention —

The evolution of a Mexican taxi driver

By ELAINE HESSER

ON FEB. 2, 2008, the front page of The Pine Cone carried an obituary for longtime resident Gus Arriola, who drew the comic strip "Gordo" from 1941 to 1985. His debut in these pages was on Aug. 14, 1953, when he and fellow cartoonists Hank Ketcham, Eldon Dedini and Jimmy Hatlo, selected the queen of that year's



PHOTO/UCLA

Cartoonist and Carmel resident Gus Arriola is shown in Los Angeles in 1949, drawing cartoons for little fans.

Monterey County Fair.

According a 1956 Pine Cone item, "Arriolas New Carmelites," Gus, his wife, Mary Frances and their son, Carlin, moved here from Phoenix, Ariz. Extolling the joys of working where he could see the ocean, Arriola was confident his family had found a permanent home. "We've made the final move," he said.

In February 1957, he was awarded the Distinguished Artist Citation by the Artist Club of San Francisco. With typical humor and self-deprecation, he told The Pine Cone, "I don't want to hang it up where I can see it, because then I will have to deserve it."

Fort Roach

Later that same year, he talked about his past. He began drawing while attending high school in Los Angeles, worked for MGM on "Tom and Jerry," and began "Gordo" a few weeks before Pearl Harbor. The strip was set aside while the Army drafted him and used his talents to make animated training films. Years later he told The Pine Cone, "I was stationed at what we called Fort Roach — the old Hal Roach studios in Culver City."

He also said that the character of Poosy Gato in "Gordo" was based on Smelly Dave, a feline he once owned. "He used to get mail from other cats," remembered Arriola. "We had to take his nametag off and be

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Merced captain named city's new police chief

By MARY SCHLEY

A POLICE captain from Merced will be the new Carmel P.D. chief, city administrator Chip Rerig announced last Friday. Alan Ward is tentatively set to join the city June 1 and be sworn in June 3, though he and the city are still finalizing their agreement, according to Rerig.

"He has a proven track record of strong and empathetic leadership, and a friendly, mentoring demeanor," Rerig said. "He is a well-rounded police officer and an excellent communicator."

Through the ranks

Ward has served with Merced P.D. for more than 23 years, rising through the ranks from corporal to sergeant to lieutenant to captain. In his LinkedIn profile, he describes himself as an "experienced law enforcement executive with extensive experience in crisis and labor negotiations, crisis and emergency management, internal and external employee investigations, complex criminal investigations, tactical and undercover operations team supervision,

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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Kofi came home

WHILE PURSUING a double major in sociology and African studies at UC Davis, she spent an extended semester abroad at the University of Ghana. When visiting a nearby town, she discovered a small puppy, its leg severely damaged from being hit by a car.

"Despite his injuries, he followed me for blocks," she said. "I'd seen a lot of stray and injured animals there, but something about this one got to me."

That night, thoughts of him dominated her sleep. The next morning, she looked for the puppy, and found him sheltering beneath an overturned box.

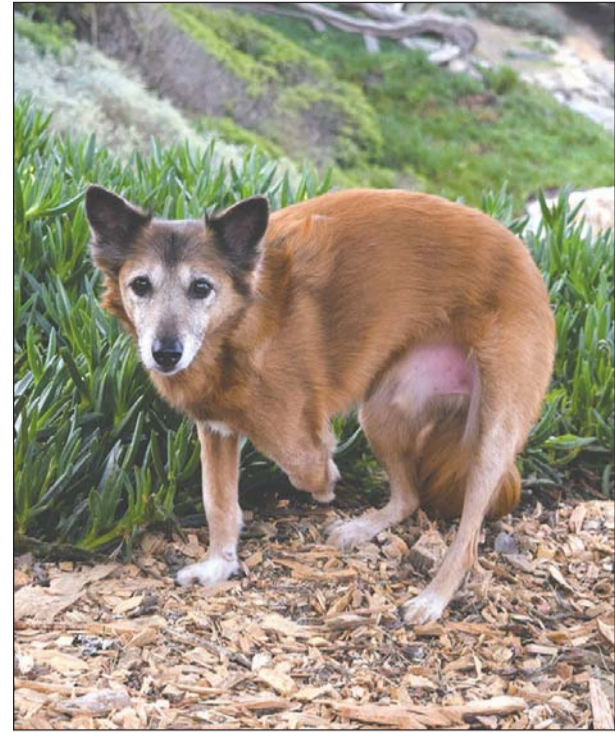
"I called him over and he growled at me. I said, 'I'm trying to help you.' Then I wrapped him in a towel," she said, "and he fell asleep in my arms."

She named him Kofi.

A local veterinarian confirmed that he'd have to amputate the puppy's injured leg. Two days later, his person picked him up, bought a crate, and brought him home, via the baggage hold of the airplane.

"I really don't know what kind of dog he is. A lot of dogs in Ghana looked like him, kind of a smaller shepherd mix," his person said. "I've always been afraid to have his DNA tested in case he's not actually a dog."

Before moving to Seaside, Kofi's person used to



run with him when she lived near George Washington Park in Pacific Grove, and her roommate often took him along the Rec Trail while rollerblading. Now 15, Kofi's arthritis makes it harder for him to get around. He no longer spends time at the beach because it isn't easy to navigate the sand. Besides, he's never been very social with strangers.

"Kofi is so cuddly and loving with his family, and people always say he looks so soft," his person said. "I always say, 'He is soft. Just don't try to pet him.'"

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Steck, Odello vying for Peninsula's Monterey County school board seat

By MARY SCHLEY

THE TWO candidates for the District 1 seat on the Monterey County Office of Education board say declining enrollment, teacher shortages and the education gap caused by the pandemic are major issues facing the county's public schools. But how to address those problems — and what each brings to the table as a candidate — varies.

Annette Yee Steck, a former 27-year member of the Carmel Unified School District board of education and a financial consultant for school districts and agencies throughout the state, is facing off against Jake Odello, a 31-year-old resident who grew up attending Carmel's public schools and now teaches at Hartnell and is involved in the ag industry. District 1 stretches from New Monterey to Big Sur and includes Pacific Grove, Pebble Beach, Carmel and Carmel Valley.

"I am a product of local public schools, so I have a 'boots on the ground' perspective of what students face at school every day," said Odello, who graduated from

Carmel High in 2009 and now lives in Carmel Valley Village. "Being younger, working and connecting with students regularly by teaching at Hartnell Community College, volunteering with local districts and participating on one of Cal Poly's industry advisory councils, I think I'm best positioned to help address their challenges and represent the student voice."

'Creating solutions'

Odello said he's better equipped to contribute to the county office's focus on STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and math), since he has a B.S. in agricultural science and a master's in food safety, works on food safety in the ag industry and teaches science- and technology-based curriculum, including microbiology.

"While in high school and throughout college, I participated in schoolwide governance," he added. "I have been part of creating solutions around issues of accreditation, budget cuts, Title IX and facility planning," including helping to develop three campus master plans, two for California state schools and one locally. Odello has also participated in curriculum review.

"I also am a lifelong resident of Monterey County, having family roots going back 100 years," he said. "I understand this community, and I'm ready to serve this community. I want nothing more than to give back and positively ensure the best quality education for not only our trustee area 1 students, but for all our



Annette Yee Steck



Jake Odello

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Police & Sheriff's Log

No suspects in San Carlos navel attack

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.

SUNDAY, MAY 8

Pacific Grove: Dispatched to a collision on Central involving city property. Suspect fled on foot. Prosecution sought for hit-and-run.

Big Sur: Welfare check on a suicidal subject on Highway 1.

Carmel area: A reported missing person was located on Alta.

Carmel area: A landlord/tenant dispute was documented on Guadalupe Street.

MONDAY, MAY 9

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Past-tense theft from a business at San Carlos and Seventh.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Victim reported a battery at Mission and Eighth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of shoplifting/dispute on Ocean west of Mission.

Pacific Grove: A cell phone was found on Ocean View and turned in to the lobby. The owner of the phone has been contacted and pick-up has been arranged.

Pacific Grove: Parked vehicle towed from construction/road work zone on Ocean View Boulevard. Signs posted.

Pacific Grove: License plate removed from a towed vehicle on Ocean View Boulevard. The plate removed was assigned to another vehicle. Booked as found property.

Pacific Grove: Verbal argument between co-inhabitants on Patterson. Information only.

Pacific Grove: Contacted a subject on the recreation trail for municipal code violation. Determined the subject, a 39-year-old male, was on probation and possessed a shuriken [throwing star], which was in violation of his probation terms. The subject was cited and released at the scene.

Pacific Grove: A male was given a trespass warning on Rio Road.

Carmel area: A 55-year-old male was arrested at the Crossroads for trespassing.

Carmel area: Found money on Via Nona Marie was turned in to deputies.

Carmel area: A 23-year-old male walked into traffic on Serra Avenue and was placed on a mental health commitment.

TUESDAY, MAY 10

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Suspicious circumstances at Lincoln and Fourth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Domestic violence at Del Mar.

See **POLICE LOG** page 14RE in the Real Estate Section



The gavel falls

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

May 12 — The Honorable Jennifer O'Keefe sentenced Jovani Lopez-Ayuso, 32 and a resident of Seaside, to 30 years in prison for committing five counts of a forcible lewd act upon a child under 14 years old.

All the offenses are violent felonies and considered strikes under California's three strikes law. Lopez-Ayuso will also be required to register as a sex offender for the rest of his life. Jane Doe reported that Lopez-Ayuso, a family member, had molested her on many occasions for several years. She was around 6 years old at the time the molests began.

The molestations stopped when she was around 10 years old. She reported the abuse to law enforcement 10 years later, after she became an adult. According to research into sexual assault victim behavior, it is very common for victims to delay reporting the sexual abuse, especially when the victim is a minor and has a close relationship with the perpetrator.

This case was investigated by Detective Hoffman from Seaside Police Department, district attorney investigators Terri Edwards and Maribel Torres-Hart and other officers from the Seaside Police Department. Jane Doe was assisted by district attorney witness assistance program coordinator Alma Sanchez.

May 18 — William Valentin Bito, 31, was sentenced to six years in state prison after

pleading no contest to felony driving under the influence of alcohol causing injury. He also admitted that he has a prior felony DUI conviction, a prior strike conviction, and his blood alcohol content (BAC) was 0.15 percent or higher.

On Feb. 18, 2022, at approximately 3:33 p.m., Salinas police officers were dispatched to Soledad Street and E. Alisal Street regarding a traffic collision with injury. The investigation revealed that the defendant was driving a friend's vehicle northbound on Soledad Street. Due to the defendant's level of intoxication, he misjudged the distances of the cars traveling westbound on Alisal Street. He entered the intersection in front of a Honda CR-V, causing a collision.

The vehicle was totaled and it had to be cut to extract his friend. The friend was immediately transported to Natividad Medical Center for a laceration to his chin, forehead, and unknown neck and head injuries. The Honda CR-V sustained major damage to the front end, but the driver was not injured. The defendant's BAC was 0.18 percent—more than two times the legal limit.

This case was prosecuted by the Monterey County District Attorney's Office specialized DUI Vertical Prosecution Unit. Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration



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Donkeys rescued but still in peril

By KELLY NIX

THE TWO donkeys that for months were stuck on a tiny island in the Sierra Nevada foothills were rescued this week — thanks in part to several Monterey County volunteers — but one of the burros might have to be euthanized because of a serious leg injury.

The unusual dilemma began several months ago when the male and female donkeys got stuck on a small island at the edge of Lake McClure in Mariposa County. Both animals, which had obvious leg maladies, were at risk of drowning because of rising water levels due to melting snow. When Daniel and Dustin Burton with Monterey County-based Urban Trapping Wildlife Control learned about the donkeys, they offered to help.

On Tuesday, the two men plus more than a dozen others from several counties rescued the animals from the island, cleverly ushering them into a corral that led from the tiny patch of land to an awaiting barge.

“The original plan was to coax them on to the barge,” Dan Burton told The Pine Cone Wednesday. “Ultimately, on Monday night, the donkeys were really hungry and were comfortable with the barge and they walked right up on it.” They did not have to be tranquilized.

Food worked

The animals got accustomed to the barge and their human rescuers over the past week, and while following trails of carrots, apples and hay, made it onto the barge. The volunteers put out water and closed the plywood gate to lock the donkeys inside,

where they slept overnight.

On Tuesday morning, the donkeys were ferried across the lake via a boat pushing the non-motorized barge to a ramp. Stan Silva with Monterey County-based A&S metals pulled a horse trailer right up to the barge and volunteers helped steer the donkeys inside, Burton said. Tarps lined the corral so the animals couldn’t see their rescuers, in an effort to minimize stress.

“They were very calm,” Burton said.

Existing injury

While the rescue went smoothly, Burton said the male has a serious and painful leg injury from which he is unlikely to recover, and he may have to be euthanized.

“He is 100 percent walking on his leg bone,” Burton said.

The female has what is believed to be a genetic deformity that has affected other donkeys in the Sierra Nevada foothills, but otherwise seems OK.

“They believe the deformity stems from inbreeding,” Burton said. “The rumor is these donkeys all stem from the California

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The two donkeys rescued this week in Mariposa County were put on a barge before being ushered into an awaiting horse trailer.



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Swinging case allegations denied

By KELLY NIX

A FORMER Salinas police chief and the cannabis-related company he works for have denied sexual harassment allegations made by a former employee of the company.

In a complaint filed Feb. 25 in Monterey County Superior Court, former Edible Management and Lowell Farms employee Kevin Lawrence claimed he was subjected to “severe and pervasive sexual harassment,” and endured “unwanted sexual advances” and a hostile work environment. Former Salinas police Chief Kelly McMillin was chief compliance officer for Lowell Farms where Lawrence worked until he was fired in September 2021.

Lawrence said that a month after being hired in June 2020, he attended a party at McMillin’s house in Salinas, where Lawrence alleges that McMillin’s wife “made sexual advances toward him and his wife.” Lawrence claimed they traded dozens of text messages, including many that described the McMillins’ “collective swinging activities.” The McMillins, Lawrence said, sent him graphic sex photos and videos. Lawrence admitted to sending a photo of his private parts to McMillin’s wife, at her request.

Claims denied

Lawrence, who names other individuals and companies he claims are connected to the business McMillin worked for, is seeking damages of at least \$25,000.

But in an April 15 court filing, attorneys for McMillin, Lowell Farms, Indus Holding Company, Cypress Manufacturing Company and Edible Management denied the allegations in Lawrence’s civil complaint.

The “defendants generally deny each, every and all of the allegations” in Lawrence’s complaint, according to the nine-page answer filed for McMillin and the

companies by San Diego attorneys, Kevin DeSantis, Adam Yarbrough and Rima Sawhney.

‘No action’

The defendants claim Lawrence “neglected” to “mitigate his damages, if any, and is thus barred from compensation for losses which could have been prevented by reasonable efforts.”

The defendants also point to Lawrence’s own behavior in their denial.

“By virtue of unlawful, immoral, careless, negligent and other wrongful conduct,” Lawrence “should be barred from recovering against” the defendants, according to the answer.

McMillin and the cannabis companies also contend that Lawrence “failed to take corrective action” or “any preventative or corrective opportunities provided by the employer” to avoid harm.

The defendants request that Lawrence’s complaint “be dismissed with prejudice,” to bar him from filing another lawsuit against them, and asks for the costs of defending the suit.

DONKEYS

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gold rush and were owned by prospectors.”

Although there are mixed emotions because of the male donkey’s prognosis, Burton said they were happy with the way the rescue turned out. The donkeys are currently on property owned by UC Davis veterinarian Dr. Eric Davis, who is also caring for another famous donkey, Isla, who was rescued from a Lake McClure island in 2019.

“They believe Isla is the mother of the female donkey they just rescued,” Burton said. “They have the same features, same leg injury and coloring.”



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P.G. councilwoman contacts police over 'done' comment on Facebook

By KELLY NIX

JUST DAYS after a Monterey County Superior Court judge reminded Pacific Grove city councilwoman Jenny McAdams that journalists and citizens have a constitutional right to criticize public officials — including her — McAdams filed a police report against a news reporter she sought to silence.

On May 19, Superior Court Judge Julie R. Culver rejected McAdams' request for a restraining order against Dan Miller, a former P.G. city councilman-turned-journalist who works for the Pacific Grove Press. Miller has been highly critical of McAdams in the newspaper but has not threatened her.

In denying McAdams' bid, Culver said Miller's words amounted to free speech and that "every single one" of McAdams' constituents has a right to criticize her "on a daily basis."

Police involved

But a mere four days after the judge's admonishment, a spokeswoman for the Pacific Grove Police Department said McAdams filed a police report Monday over statements Miller made online.

"An informational report was created by the responding officer for documentation purposes only," Jocelyn Francis explained. "It is the discretion of the officer on whether or not to write a report, and in this case the officer generated a report."

McAdams explained the reason for making the police report.

"Concerned residents reached out to me and sent me screenshots of a post where Mr. Miller referred to both the court hearing and myself as 'done,'" McAdams told The Pine Cone. "I do not know what 'done' means to Mr. Miller or how I am 'done,' but after review of the post, I was advised to file an informational police report to document this statement."

Miller provided The Pine Cone with the social media post in question, which he said was made after his victory in court last week.

"Court is done and so is Jenny McAdams," Miller wrote. "The judge basically said that she had no basis for any of her claims."

Miller proceeded to mention more about the court ruling and an upcoming hearing in the post.

He said that the idea his words somehow justified a police report was "absurd," and that he was referring to McAdams' loss in court, nothing more.

"What a waste of city time and city resources," Miller told The Pine Cone. "With everything going on in this world and she files a report for something that a judge told her the previous week was my right — under the Constitution — to do."

In danger?

While McAdams would not tell The Pine Cone if Miller's recent social media post made her feel unsafe or in danger, she said she was relieved that Miller had "stopped contacting me and my coworkers at my place of work in Marina," which she has said amounted to harassment.

"His no contact outside of city hall has brought great relief, and I feel as though a weight has been lifted off of my shoulders," she said.

But Miller said that besides sending group email messages to all the council members via a click of a button on the city's website, he has not contacted McAdams — either at city hall or at her workplace.

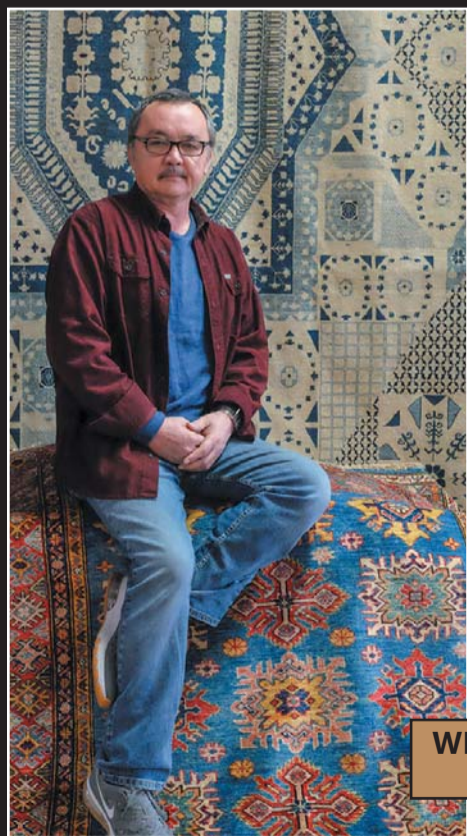
"I've never tried to contact her," Miller said. "I've contacted her supervisor for a public records request and contacted" her employer, 4th District Monterey County Supervisor Wendy Root Askew, "to object to McAdams' social media posts she was making during work hours. That's it."

According to the May 23 P.G. police log, McAdams went to the police department at about 10:22 a.m. and filed the report with Officer Kevin Shum. McAdams, the log said, conceded that Miller's post was protected under the First Amendment and it "did not violate any criminal

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Highway 156 to get roundabouts

By CHRIS COUNTS

Now THAT locals have had time to get used to the roundabout at Highway 1 and Highway 68 — which alleviated a ton of traffic congestion — they can start looking forward to two new roundabouts to accomplish the same thing on busy Highway 156 between Castroville and Prunedale.

The plan to build the roundabouts, which has been in the works for two decades, was set to be reviewed this week by the Monterey County Planning Commission, but county planner Anna Quenga asked that the hearing be continued to June 8 “to allow us additional time to coordinate findings and evidence with Caltrans staff.”

According to the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, the roundabouts, along with an overpass, would eliminate

the traffic light on Highway 156. TAMC official Todd Muck said the improvements would not only “help reduce collisions and traffic jams by removing the only stop light on the heavily-traveled Route 156,” but would have a “calming effect on traffic,” making it safer for students to travel between Castroville and North Monterey High School.

The project is expected to cost just under \$42 million, with work getting underway in 2023.

From two to four lanes

The plan to build the roundabouts is just the first phase of a larger project that has been designed to address traffic and safety issues along the westernmost segment of Highway 156.

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Road offers access to Fort Ord trails

By CHRIS COUNTS

FORT ORD National Monument just got a little closer to hikers, equestrians and bikers who live in Seaside.

The City of Seaside hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony May 21 to mark the opening of a stretch of Eucalyptus Road to motorists. Previously closed to cars, the section of pavement travels east for about a mile from the intersection of General Jim Moore Boulevard and Coe Avenue.

To discourage people from illegally camping in the park, a gate at the entrance of the new road will be closed overnight.

“The plan is to have the road open in conjunction of the hours of the National Monument, which are a half-hour after sunrise to half-hour after sunset,” Seaside’s recreation director, Dan Meewis, told The Pine Cone.

The road will encourage more people

to visit to the monument from Seaside — currently far more people access it from two other formal parking areas, the Badger Hills Trailhead off Highway 68, and the Creekside Trailhead off River Road.

A local haven for bikes

Designated a national monument in 2016 and overseen by the Bureau of Land Management, the park has 142 miles of trails, all of which are open to mountain bikes — unlike most dirt paths on the Monterey Peninsula or in Big Sur or Carmel Valley. Recommended mostly for intermediate riders, the trails are also open to pedal-assisted e-bikes, at least for now.

“The BLM is in the process of modifying regulations that currently classify electric bicycles as ‘motorized vehicles’ that are prohibited from operating on the

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Postponement of stadium lights making CHS students unhappy

By RILEY PALSHAW

THE INSTALLATION of stadium lights at Carmel High School has been postponed until at least fall 2023, prompting widespread disappointment among the CHS student body as the 2021-22 school year comes to a close.

Based on the school board's decision not to implement Gov. Gavin Newsom's later start time for California high schools for at least a year, and the anticipated timeline for a revised stadium lights environmental impact report, Carmel Superintendent Ted Knight has made a recent recommendation to take until December 2022 to make a final

decision on late start, tabling the lights conversation for now.

"As I've said most with stadium lights, I'm not saying no to the project, but no to the process," said Knight in a CUSD board work session in early April. "I support late start but not without mitigating the concerns of the community, similar to how I support stadium lights, but not without mitigating those concerns."

Promised a school day that would start at 8:30 a.m. instead of 7:45 a.m., and the prospect of stadium lights that would make Friday night football games possible, CHS students have been left feeling a little deflated given the recent news.

"I feel like our school community worked really hard to try and get these lights for not only school spirit, but just for overall safety and convenience," said sophomore Caroline Byrne, a student actively involved in Leadership at CHS. "I loved how we came together as a community to try and get something that has been a goal of our school for so long."

Delay not easy to take

Using the late-start mandate as an initiative to bring in lights, students rallied this fall, creating a presence at district board meetings and starting the Let There Be Lights campaign through Change.org to install four 70-to-80-foot-tall LED lights on the school's turf facility. Because students felt like they had momentum, many say it's hard to hear of another delay at this point in the year.

"The push for lights was so strong at the beginning of the year," said senior Jack Arnold, a Leadership student actively involved in the lights campaign. "It started to wane once the residents started threatening lawsuits and such. I understand the district wants their case to be airtight, but I wish they could've done that to begin with. I'm happy they are still moving forward with the lights. I guess I just wish it was sooner rather than later."

Associated Student Body adviser Aubrey Powers, who worked closely with students involved in the Let There Be Lights campaign, can attest to this sense of disillusionment on campus.

"I think that students are disappointed because they started to think about what it could be," Powers said, "and the realization of what it's not going to be is really frustrating."

Yet some students still find satisfaction in the fact that

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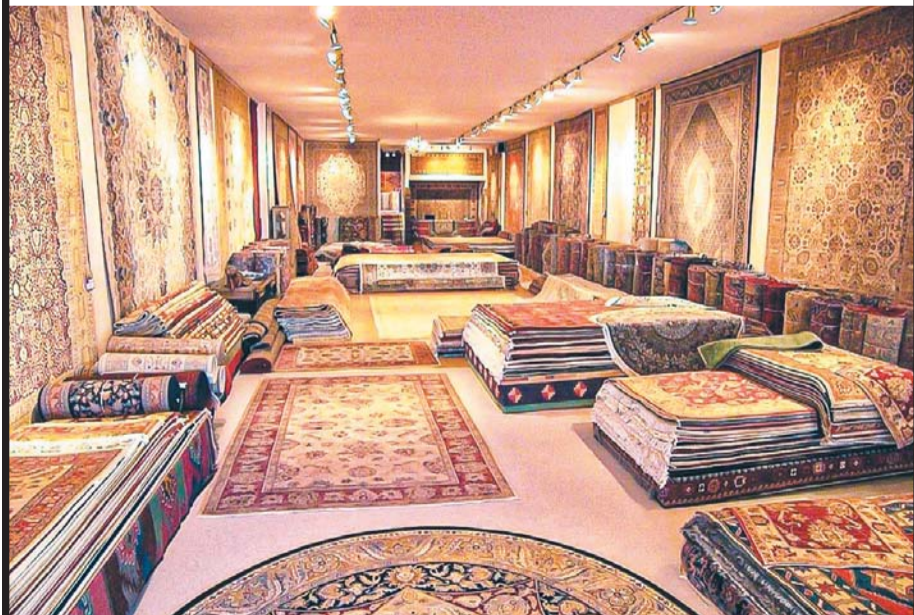
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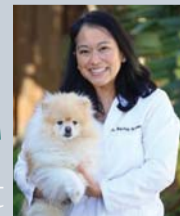
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Covid cases increase somewhat but hospitalizations still low

By KELLY NIX

THE SEVEN-DAY average of new Covid-19 cases per 100,000 Monterey County residents continues to climb, but hospitalizations and the test positivity rates stayed fairly level, according to data from the Monterey County Health Department.

On Thursday, county health reported a seven-day test positivity rate of 5.1 percent and seven-day average case rate of 18.7 per 100,000 people. Those numbers compare to Monday's seven-day test positivity rate of 5.4 percent and seven-day average case rate per 100,000 people of 15.5 percent.

The county also reported Thursday that 11 people were hospitalized with the disease, which was down from 17 on the previous report. After reaching a peak last winter of more than 250, hospitalizations, which are the most important metric in determining the current extent of the disease, are still relatively low and are not taxing hospital resources.

Facemasks still recommended

Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula reported Wednesday that it had four patients with Covid-19 in the hospital, including one in the intensive care unit.

The rise in cases, which is being seen throughout the state, led county health officer Dr. Ed Moreno on May 13 to again recommend that citizens wear face coverings indoors to help prevent the spread of the disease.

Moreno said this week that most of the new cases are due to the omicron variant, which is highly contagious but isn't as dangerous as previous mutations of the virus.

"It's important that people keep up to date on their vaccinations," Moreno told news reporters Wednesday. "If you're eligible for a booster, get a booster. If a second booster is recommended, get the

second booster."

He also reiterated the importance of wearing masks indoors — which is still only a recommendation, not a requirement — and other safety measures, including staying home when sick.

County health reported this week that 85 percent of county residents have had at least one vaccination jab. Salinas leads, with 98.6 of its residents meeting that goal. The Monterey Peninsula is the second most vaccinated area at 89.5 percent, while 86.5 percent of North County residents and 78.7 South County residents have gotten the vaccine.

County residents who are 75 years and older are the most vaccinated at 97 percent, while 18 to 24 age group comes in at 95.5 percent. The least vaccinated age group are children 5 to 11, at 43.6 percent, and those 25 to 34, who are 81.9 percent vaccinated.

Seaside shooter standoff ends

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

A MAN who shot at police Thursday morning in Seaside was arrested after a four-hour standoff.

"The suspect with the guns has been taken into custody," acting chief Nick Borges of Seaside Police reported around 2 p.m. "The officers did not fire back at him, he's secured, everyone is safe and there are no injuries. We have the sheriff's department checking the property to make sure it's safe."

The incident began along San Pablo Avenue Thursday morning when a man who was being evicted fired "some rounds" at police.

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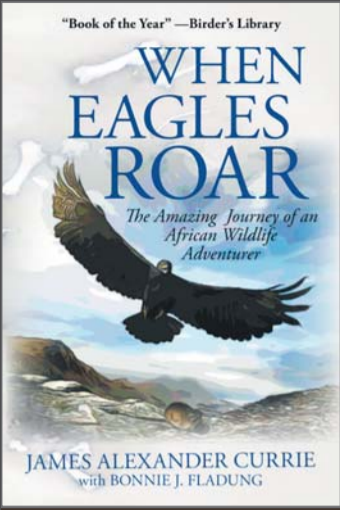


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WATER

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more aggressive actions to communicate about the drought emergency and implement conservation measures," Newsom said.

Already conservative

However, Peninsula residents already practice extraordinary water conservation measures, Stoldt noted. If the state orders

a blanket reduction in per person water use — in response primarily to Southern California areas that use far more water than the Monterey Peninsula — it could have a significant impact on residents here.

"You just can't do a one size fits all" by implementing a blanket reduction in water use, Stoldt said.

A Cal Am spokesman also noted its customers' admirable water-saving efforts.

"Our customers in the Monterey area are recognized for their commitment to conservation," Evan Jacobs told The Pine Cone. "They have among the lowest per

capita water use in the state at about 57 gallons per person per day. We've already achieved the significant savings that the state is calling for in other areas."

The water company is notifying customers in its smaller water systems in the county about the conservation measures and penalties for violating them, he said.

"This gives us the power to enforce the commonsense rules most customers already follow — don't let water run off the property, fix leaks promptly, use a broom instead of a hose to clean hard-scapes," Jacobs explained.

Will be found

The water district and Cal Am are working on additional conservation measures and he said customers would get more information about them soon.

"Our message is, 'keep up the good work,'" Jacobs said. "We will continue to emphasize education over enforcement and provide the tools and knowledge needed to save water."

The only new directive from the state, and one the water district will actively enforce, is the prohibition on watering decorative lawns. That's because the State

Water Resources Control Board Tuesday voted for a statewide ban on watering of "non-functional" ornamental turf in the commercial, industrial, and institutional sector.

The ban does not apply to residential properties.

While golf courses and other sports turfs are also exempt from the new law — and there are not many decorative lawns on the Peninsula anyway — the water district will seek them out.

"We may use Google imagery to see where lawns are located," Stoldt explained. "The state really wants to see some enforcement on that, so we will do our best."

During the last drought, the state ordered that highway medians not be watered. But that resulted in the loss of trees, so the water board this time only prohibited non-functional lawn irrigation.

"I'm waiting to see the text of the final regulation before commenting more," Jacobs said, "but the message from the state is clear — if the only time your lawn gets stepped on is when it's being mowed, stop watering it and save water," Jacobs said.

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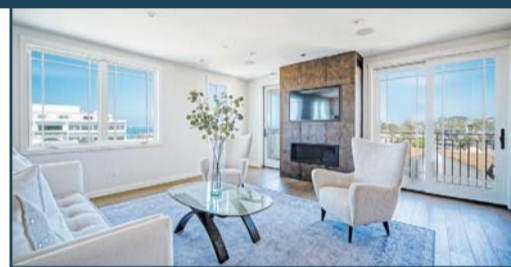
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WILDLIFE

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enough for the raccoon to drop into the attic," Dymtryk reported. "She has since reunited with her kits."

The incident illustrates how good intentions can go awry when homeowners deal with wildlife. Dymtryk said people need to be conscious of what might be inside their attics or walls before patching up every crack or crevice. "Don't close holes on the exterior of a building without taking precautions, because in all likelihood, if the hole is an inch or greater and has no spider webs, there's probably an animal inside that will be entrapped," she recommended.

Humans vs. wildlife

Dymtryk said her work often takes her to the Monterey Peninsula, where conflicts between humans and wildlife abound.

"Just today we are evicting a family of skunks from under a home in Carmel, near the Crossroads, and another raccoon mama and kits in Marina," she reported Tuesday. "In the last couple of weeks we have dealt with mice nesting in a kitchen drawer in Carmel Valley, a wood rat living

in a drainage pipe off Highway 68, and a family of gray foxes in a backyard near Skyline Forest."

A little further up the coast, Dymtryk is contending with a family of skunks who have taken up residence in a front yard near La Selva Beach. She soon discovered why they were living there.

"A person called about skunks living underground just outside their front door," Dymtryk said. "So we set up a wildlife camera. It showed the mother venturing out at 6 a.m. and 4 p.m. That likely indicates someone is feeding cats in the area."

Too young to be evicted

Dymtryk plans to "evict" the skunk family, but only after its babies are old enough to live outside their "home." "We will wait until the babies are old enough to travel with their mom at night," she explained.

But the lure of unattended cat food sitting on someone's porch might be enough to draw them back. "What people don't realize is that urban areas are artificially rich in food sources because people are sloppy," she said. "Lush yards, improperly-stored garbage and piles of composts and debris are an oasis that attracts wildlife."

So how does one evict a family of animals with sharp claws and a wariness of people? One option is one-way doors that allow an animal to exit a dwelling, but not enter it — a solution that's not much help when there are babies inside.

"We typically use a one-way device to evict adult animals — from rats and mice, to raccoons and skunks — but not when there are newborns," she explained.

If there is a family of raccoons inside a building, a scented repellent will motivate them to leave

"100 percent of the time."

Many homeowners have wildlife living inside their structures but don't realize it. "If you find a hole — even a mouse-sized hole — more than likely you have animals inside," she suggested.

While the methods of attracting and repelling wildlife are as diverse the animal kingdom, Dymtryk said there's one thing

any homeowner can do to minimize conflicts: stop giving them food.

"Most people think if they get rid of an animal, they will get rid of the problem," she added. "But the animal's presence is just a symptom. The problem begins and ends with our behavior. Don't feed wild animals — intentionally or unintentionally."



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Baby skunks are really cute, but their presence in a neighborhood can be a nuisance, especially if they're being fed by humans.



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FAMILY

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The husband, an accountant, and his wife, an English teacher, worked in Kabul to support the U.S. government. That they speak English will make their move to the United States much easier. They could be the first Afghans to resettle in Monterey County after fleeing the Taliban takeover.

"They left Afghanistan literally with absolutely nothing," Brunson said. "When they get here we will need to help them get clothes, get jobs and help the kids get into school."

Then there's the task of finding the family — who will live on their own — a home in an already impacted and

pricey Monterey Peninsula rental market. An apartment in Marina had been lined up, but the deal fell through at the last minute. The family will also need a vehicle.

"So now we are scrambling," Brunson said of the housing search.

There's a backup plan if housing can't be found soon. Vacation rental giant Airbnb has committed to housing the family in a local rental, possibly in Seaside, for up to a month if necessary, Brunson said.

Subsidized healthcare?

While the Brunsons and their friends will pay for the family's food, rent, home furnishings and most other necessities, the woman's hospital expenses for the birth of her child would likely be covered by Medi-Cal, the state's subsidized healthcare program for indigent residents.

The father has a brother in Antioch, and it's possible

terms with the fact that lights won't happen in their time on campus, but underclassmen are hopeful for the possibility of the project and the installation of lights in the upcoming years. Originally frustrated with the decision, freshman Tasneem Khalil now recognizes that lights could still be installed in coming years, so she looks forward to that prospect.

"It just sucks because it probably won't happen until my junior or senior year," said Khalil.

There's not much the CHS students can do about the timeline for stadium lights except wait for the board's decision in December 2022 about late start for the 2023-24 school year. Until then, current freshmen and sophomores can only sit back and hope to see these major changes made before they get their caps and gowns.

the family will move there at the end of the six months or a year, Brunson said.

Congregation Beth Israel in Carmel Valley is handling donations (which can be tax deductible) for the family. To donate, go to carmelbethisrael.org and click on the "donate" button. Include the words "special Afghan fund" in the "description" field so the money is properly earmarked.

Memorial Day in downtown Carmel

DEVENDORF PARK will be the site of a Memorial Day ceremony Monday. The annual event is presented by American Legion Post 512.

To "build community participation," several changes have been made to the ceremony.

"First off, we're now singing 'The Star-Spangled Banner' together as a community during the opening flag ceremony rather than listening to someone perform," one of the ceremony's organizers, Richard Kreitman, told The Pine Cone. "Second, we are inviting local religious leaders rather than members of Post 512 to provide the opening and closing prayers. Rabbi Bruce Greenbaum of Congregation Beth Israel is presiding this Monday."

Several one-time residents "who served and died in our country's wars" will be honored during the ceremony, and donations will be collected to support the Homeless Vets Stand Down event that's set for June 17-18 at Monterey County Fairgrounds.

The ceremony starts at 11 a.m. The park is located at Ocean and Junipero. Following the ceremony, the American Legion Hall at Dolores and Eighth will host an open house and BBQ.

LIGHTS

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these changes are underway, even if they won't personally see them administered by the time they graduate.

Junior Peyton Kelly knows she'll never be affected by the decision personally, but she's excited by the prospect of creating a closer-knit community on campus for future Padres.

"Carmel High really does need lights," Kelly said. "Even if it doesn't happen while I'm at Carmel High, I'm glad that one day it will."

For the most part, the CHS Class of 2023 has come to

Arlen Scott Peters

Arlen Scott Peters was born on March 13, 1950, and died suddenly on May 24, 2021.

Arlen wasn't famous — but he interviewed hundreds of Hollywood's rich-and-famous in his half-century industry career which began right out of high school in 1968, when he landed a job at CBS/Columbia Square on Sunset Boulevard in his hometown of Los Angeles. You may not know him, but Meryl Streep did, as did Gene Hackman, Robin Williams, Dustin Hoffman, Jimmy Stewart, and scores of other Hollywood notables who considered him not only an industry colleague, but a friend as well.

He began his professional career in the CBS mailroom while attending UCLA. What followed was a move into the programming area, where he earned a slot with the CBS Radio Network as a writer-director, joining both the Writer's Guild of America and Director's Guild of America at the age of 18. At that time, Arlen was the youngest person ever to be granted membership in the hallowed DGA.

While certainly not Hollywood headline news, that tidbit was leaked to one of the industry's trade papers, and caught the attention of fabled comic Jerry Lewis, who called Arlen (whom he did not know!) at the radio station to personally congratulate him on his union induction. Arlen was also a longtime member of the WGA (joining that same year, 1968), which led to his stint as a staff writer for singer Bobby Goldsboro's 1973 syndicated TV variety show, which filmed at CBS/Columbia Square.

CBS was his training ground, and over an eight year period, he wrote, produced and directed hundreds of features for the network, working with broadcast legends ranging from Walter Cronkite to Lowell Thomas, Mike Wallace to Dan Rather, Harry Reasoner to Charles Kuralt, along with such personalities as "Dear Abby" and baseball Hall-of-Famer Phil Rizzuto.

During those early career years based at KNX-AM Radio, Arlen was handed a cassette recorder and instructed to do a celebrity interview (something he had never done before!). His first subject was Academy Award-winner Walter Matthau. Over the years, he went on to interview literally hundreds of celebrities, from Jack Benny to Lucille Ball, Robert Redford to Paul Newman, Brad Pitt to Tom Cruise, Tom Hanks to Dustin Hoffman. Additionally, he wrote a number of CBS Radio Network specials, including "A Sense of American Humor" hosted by Roger Mudd, and "The American Movie and Young at Heart," for which he was awarded a Writer's Guild nomination for best radio documentary of the year.

In the 1980s, Arlen took his radio background into the video age and the advent of weekend movie press junkets and on-set interviews for a brand new studio marketing tool called the electronic presskit (known in movie parlance as the EPK). On the weekend assignments, he partnered with a veteran cameraman named Rick Rosenthal, rigging hotel suites, usually in NY or LA, to resemble a makeshift TV studio whereby scores of journalists from around the country and globe flew in to interview a gallery of stars promoting their latest movie releases for studios such as Sony, Castle Rock, Columbia Pictures and Tri-Star Pictures.

He also began writing, directing and producing electronic press kits for all the major film studios. His resume of EPK projects over the years in a variety of genres includes "Dirty Dancing," "American Beauty," "Tootsie," "Reservoir Dogs," "Hairspray," "Gandhi," "Best in Show," "Ghostbusters," "The Natural," "Analyze This," "City Slickers" and the restoration of "Lawrence of Arabia," ... to name just a few. Yes, he got legendary film director David Lean to sit for a lengthy interview about the latter title, one most critics call one of the greatest movies ever made! He is also the only EPK producer to ever land a joint Q&A with a pair of living legends, Gene Hackman and Dustin Hoffman, on the set of the only feature in which they appeared together — "Runaway Jury"!

Awards include an Emmy nomination for "The Golden Years of Radio TV Special," the New York Festival Award for the HBO First Look special on "Runaway Jury," the 25TH Annual Telly Award for "Calendar Girls," the Oscar Special; and the Videographer Award for best video production for "Calendar Girls."

One could always find Arlen at any of L.A.'s legendary delis (Canters, Art's, Langers) chowing down on a corned beef sandwich with one of his small cadre of friends. He is survived by his wife of 25+ years, Mary (they married on October 22, 1994), with whom he honeymooned in the Carmel Highlands. She misses him dearly, especially his sense-of-humor (Arlen could turn a phrase with punlike guffaws as well as any seasoned comedy writer), his keen intellect and his loving and devoted compassion. She embraces her emotions by imagining he is on location assignment for another EPK, and she will again reunite with him sometime down the road.

And, if that assignment is somewhere in the heavens, Arlen surely has tape recorder in hand, seeking out those celebs he missed here on his time on earth.



ROBERT ALLEN MATTSON

Robert Allen Mattson passed away on May 6th at 78 years of age after a brief illness. He was born August 7th, 1943, in St. Louis, Missouri. After holding down many jobs, including being the youngest manager of a Lane Bryant in the U.S., Bob's cowboy spirit and sense of adventure called him west. He spent some time in Colorado before moving to Idaho, where in 1972 he discovered the love of his life, leather. Bob spent the next 12 years honing his craft in saddle and boot making, apprenticing in Spokane, Washington.

In 1977, he settled in North Idaho with wife, Cindy, and daughter, Amber. In 1982 he moved from Idaho to Alaska, and eventually to the Salinas Valley, California in 1985. He worked in several different shop spaces, including Winchester Western Wear, in Salinas, and then set up shop at the Farm Center in Carmel Valley in 1993, where he became a beloved fixture in the community.

Bob touched so many in the community with his artistry, knowledge and kindness. He was also a fabulous storyteller. In 2016, after years of hard work his hands started to fail, and Bob retired. He spent the next 6 years taking bike rides, beach walks, and enjoying a quieter pace. He also continued to attend and participate in historical western events, as a guest speaker, and enthusiast.

Bob is survived by his brother, Richard Mattson (Carol); nephews Scott and Chris; daughter Amber (Geoff), and grandchildren Erik and Jordan. No formal service is planned at this time but will likely occur in the coming months. If you would like to be added to the contact list for the service, please contact mangus96@gmail.com.

ROUNDAABOUTS

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The second phase would widen the road from two to four lanes by “constructing a new four-lane highway parallel to the existing highway.” It is expected to cost \$106 million. “The current two-lane highway will be converted into a frontage road that would serve the local community,” according to TAMC.

A third phase would target major improvements at the intersection of highways 156 and 101 — at a cost of more than a quarter-billion dollars.

“With the cost as high as it is, we broke the project into three segments,” explained Muck, who noted that the project has been in the works for two decades. “Segment 1 is what we can afford to do right now.”

According to TAMC, “32,000 vehicles per weekday” use Highway 156. It gets particularly congested on weekends, when long lines of motorists pour into the Monterey Peninsula. It’s also a busy route for truck traffic.

According to data from 2007 to 2010, “the total collision rate” for State Route 156 was 21 percent higher than the state average.”

ROAD

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non-motorized roads and trails at Fort Ord National Monument,” the federal agency posted on its website. “Until those regulations are modified, the BLM is granting a blanket exemption for riders to operate pedal assist e-bikes on the monument roads and trails that are also open to traditional bicycles.”

The monument is also home to a rich variety of flora and fauna — this spring’s bloom was particularly colorful. The landscape is mostly rolling hills with pockets of chaparral and oak woodlands. “You will see a huge diversity of plant life and animals in habitats that include stream side corridors, grasslands, maritime chaparral, oak woodlands and seasonal pools,” according to the BLM.

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Donna Henderson McDowell

May 26, 1951 to February 11, 2022

Donna Henderson McDowell, a long-time resident of Carmel, died of natural causes on February 11, 2022. Born in Bermuda, Donna spent most of her childhood in Sacramento, California. Moving to Carmel in 1986, Donna met and married the love of her life, Sam McDowell. Donna & Sam traveled each year to Bequia, St Vincent, to spend several months in their island home. Donna was an accomplished artist and spent many years creating beautiful sailors valentines. Her creative expressions were evident in her home, garden, and many wonderful creations. Full of many ideas, Donna was a creative force in the idea development of the product, Airborne.

Donna is survived by her brothers, William Henderson and Richard Henderson; stepchildren Elizabeth McDowell (Ed Bernard), Donald McDowell (Dannette), Rider McDowell (Tori McDowell), Kim Lotus (Tom Lotus); and grandchildren Warren Lotus, Piers McDowell, Mac McDowell, and Sophie Bernard. She is preceded in death by her husband, Samuel McDowell, grandson Errol McDowell, and her parents Sara & Richard Henderson.

A celebration of her life will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday, June 4th, on Carmel Beach, Scenic & 13th.

Memorial Day 2022 CARLYLE LEWIS 1914 - 1942

Memorial Day 2022 falls on the 80th anniversary of your death, Carlyle. You have been remembered by your littlest sister every day with love, and a thankful heart that we shared eight years together. You helped me catch my first fish, although I had to put the worm on the hook and clean it. You gave me a gigantic loop of tickets for the merry-go-round at Fleishhacker Zoo so big I thought it would last forever. You taught me to use a stalk of grass for a straw. You are real and loved by my four children and spouses, twelve grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren as though they know you, since they do, through stories and the warmth of family love.

You were happy, loving, talented, with dreams and ambitions. You enlisted before the war broke out to ensure the safety of the country. You were thrilled at learning so much during your service as an aerial photographer that honed your skills. I’m sorry you were not able to explore the adventures yet to come.

Your story was one remembered in “Carmel’s Heroes,” along with the other Carmel men who didn’t make it home, who we also honor today. Thanks to Paul Miller and The Pine Cone, their stories are known:

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They say the destination is not as important as the journey, and what a journey it was.

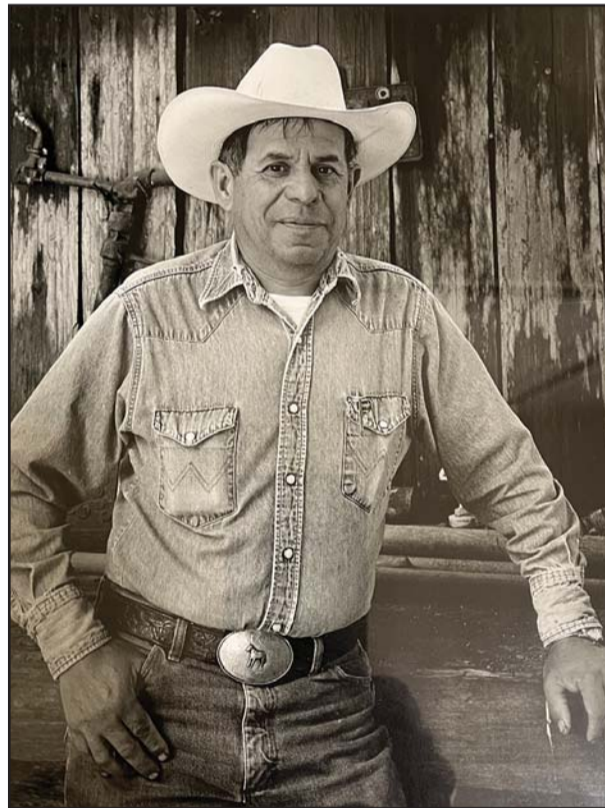
Your sister, Diane Lewis Hanger



Julian Epifanio Lopez

October 31, 1942 ♦ May 15, 2022

Julian was a lifelong resident of Monterey County, living most of his life in Big Sur. A resident of Carmel, he passed away May 15 at the age of 79. Born Oct. 31, 1942, in Monterey, he attended elementary school at Pfeiffer School in Big Sur, and was a 1961 graduate of Monterey High School.



The family moved from Hacienda Farms in Carmel Valley in 1943 to Krenkle Corners, Lathrop Brown’s Saddle Rock Ranch, today Julia Pfeiffer Burns State Park. In 1953 the family moved to the Molera Ranch, and in 1957 they went to the Castro Ranch (Rancho Grande) to manage it for Chuck Fuller. The ranch went through several ownerships until purchased by David and Lucile Packard. Mr. Rafael Lopez retired in 1980 and Julian became the ranch manager for the Packard Family.

Julian joined the Air Force in 1964 and trained as a mechanic. This served him well the rest of his life, leading to his love of tinkering, fixing, and building things. Mr. David Packard and Julian were like the same soul when it led to building or designing something. They both designed and built the first wave machine which was installed at the Monterey Bay Aquarium. When he got out of the Air Force, he returned to Big Sur and worked for Don McQueen at the Big Sur Garage.

Julian helped with the construction of the Monterey Bay Aquarium and the Packard Ranch House in Castro Canyon. Julian was also an original charter member of the Big Sur Volunteer Fire Brigade in 1976. He also served as a lay person with the St. Francis Catholic Church in Big Sur for most of his life. He enjoyed cooking special meals for the family and gardening.

Over the years Julian attended many cattle brandings and barbecues at ranches of old. He was involved with many of the local community needs and responses over the years and involved on lending a helping hand to many that needed it.

In 1998, Julian married the love of his life, Estelita (Nina) Martinez, at St. Francis Catholic Church in Big Sur. They lived at the Packard Ranch until he retired in 2010. Julian and Nina moved to Carmel, where they lived quietly. He served as an usher at the Mission until his illness made it hard to serve.

Julian leaves behind his wife, Nina; stepson Daniel A. Berry; brother Miguel (wife Sharon) from Georgetown, Ca.; nieces Donna Mellor and husband Jason, Christine Lopez (Randy); nephew Miguel, Jr., (wife Trina); three grandnephews, Nicholas, Jerramy and Christopher; grandniece Kortni; a great-grandniece and nephew; sister Mary Rose Lopez (Bill Hickman) of Cameron Park, CA. He is also survived by sister-in-law Dani S. Lopez and niece Margaret Lopez and step-niece Cindy Gray (husband Jim).

He joins in death his father and mother, Rafael and Rosa Lopez, and his twin brother Juan Jose Lopez.

Pebble Beach teardown and rebuild could harm rare plant, expert says

By CHRIS COUNTS

BALAJI AND Melania Yelamanchili want to tear down their Pebble Beach home and build a new one in its place, but a Monterey County Planning Commission hearing on their permit application was delayed Wednesday partly due to concerns about a rare plant — Monterey gilia, also known as sand gilia — that may be impacted by construction.

According to county papers, the Yelamanchilis are seeking permission to demolish an existing 5,737-square-foot

single family home and replace it with a 4,732-square-foot home with an 874-square-foot accessory dwelling unit.

The new house would be sited at roughly the same location on their nearly one-acre property. While the land is “heavily developed” and “presently dominated by invasive ice plant,” concerns were previously raised that it could be home to rare Northern California legless lizards. But a study in February concluded the ice plant made it unsuitable for the elusive reptiles.

More recently, concerns have been raised over the possibility that the property

is home to Monterey gilia, which grows only in coastal dunes, and has white and purple funnel-shaped flowers.

Exists nearby

In a letter sent to the planning commission May 19, CSUMB professor Fred Watson expressed his worries about how Monterey gilia could be harmed by the construction.

While a survey that was done June 10, 2021, didn't find evidence of the plant, Watson said the survey was done too late in the season to detect it. He said its flowers are generally gone by late May.

Watson, who noted that he is an expert on the plant, said it would not be surprising that Monterey gilia grows on the property.

“Five years ago, Monterey gilia was found by a biologist 400 feet from the Yelamanchilis' property,” he wrote. “Their property is also 1,100 feet away from a reasonably large population of Monterey gilia.”

Should seeds from the gilia be discovered on the property, Watson suggested

that should be enough to justify protection of the plant from development.

“The biological consultant's Feb. 15 response to county staff implies that a rare plant needs to be ‘growing’ in order to be relevant,” he said. “This implication is inconsistent with endangered species law as I understand it. Seeds of rare plants are just as protected as any other life stage.”

Watson, an environmental science professor at CSUMB who has played a key role in the establishment of The Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway, told The Pine Cone he visited the property on his volition and is speaking out because he's “passionate about protecting and preserving native biodiversity.”

“The Spyglass area is a well known hot spot for a few protected species. Monterey gilia is one of them,” he added.

In the end, Wednesday's hearing was continued because some details about the project were inadvertently not distributed to planning commissioners. The hearing will continue on to the next possible date, June 8.

Lou Ann Harney

It is with great sadness that we share the passing of our mother, Lou Ann Harney.

She was born on February 16, 1942 to Ardra Lou and Joseph “Rocky” Bowersox in Battle Creek, Michigan.

Soon after Lou Ann was born her father, Joseph “Rocky” Bowersox and Ardra Lou purchased their dream property on the beautiful California coastline and built the well-known Rocky Point Restaurant and Resort.



Lou Ann loved living above the restaurant with her parents at Rocky Point. She had many stories of being a little girl in the busy restaurant business, ordering whatever she wanted from the kitchen and playing cards with the cooks when business was slow. Restaurant life was late nights and long hours and in 1950 when Lou Ann was eight years old, her parents enrolled her in Santa Catalina in Monterey as one of their first boarding students. She missed her parents and her pets and always looked forward to weekend passes to go home.

Lou Ann adored her father. Rocky was a pilot and he would take her on wonderful adventures in his Beechcraft Bonanza. She said every flight felt special. It didn't matter whether they were just flying along the coast or to San Francisco for lunch. She loved every minute as long as she got to sit in the copilot's seat.

When Lou Ann graduated from 8th grade at Santa Catalina, her parents had just purchased a house in Carmel and agreed Lou Ann could move home and attend Carmel High School.

Lou Ann was excited to be home and enjoyed all of the activities Carmel high had to offer.

Her sophomore year, she met her high school sweetheart and the love of her life, Eugene “Pat” Harney. When she graduated in 1959, Pat quickly purposed to Lou Ann and they married soon after in a small ceremony at the Highlands Inn. They settled in a small cottage in Carmel and had two children, Mike and Laurie.

In 1965 her parents decided to sell their home in Carmel and Pat and Lou Ann were able to purchase it from them and spent the next 52 years together in that house.

Lou Ann worked in banking for over thirty years. She worked as a teller for Bank of America and later for CoMerica Bank branch in Carmel.

She and Pat enjoyed many hobbies together including gardening, taking day trips to San Luis Reservoir, fishing and panning for gold in their favorite spot down the coast. They could often be found surfcasting from Carmel beach.

Pat passed away in 2017 and Lou Ann missed him terribly. She enjoyed spending time with her family and kept in touch with a few of her classmates and in 2019, she attended her 60th year high school reunion.

In February Lou Ann turned 80 and enjoyed the day at her son and daughter-in-law's cabin and a small birthday celebration with her family in Carmel.

On April 8th after a long illness, Lou Ann passed peacefully while holding her daughters hand.

Lou Ann is survived by her son Mike Harney (Denise) of Carmel Valley; daughter Laurie Mortenson (Brian) of Virginia; grandsons Todd Harney (Kristin), Stuart Harney (Shelby) and Max Mortenson; granddaughter Jilli Gerschevske (Matt) of Virginia; and two great-grandsons, Owen Harney and Luke Gerschevske.

A small private graveside memorial will be held at a later date to be determined.

Donations may be made in her name to Alzheimer's research, Multiple Myeloma research or the ASPCA.

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Bonnie Chapman fell and broke her hip in February 2022 and died of complications at Westland House on April 3rd. She is preceded in death by her husband, Francis Chapman, and her two children, Steve Chapman and Nancy Chapman. She leaves behind her granddaughter, Amelia Hassberg, and loving friends Antonio Hernandez and his family and Ralph and Hollye Drumheller who were all by her side during her final days.



She worked in retail and hospitality for over 30 years and was the manager and buyer at Carmel Valley Golf and Country Club golf shop for many years. She enjoyed her career and family and friends and brought joy to many lives. She was an empathetic listener with a sharp intuition and discernment. She loved to read and learn and travel. She visited many countries during her lifetime and her favorite was Greece. She also loved animals, especially dogs.

She was intelligent and kind and generous and will be dearly missed by everyone who knew her. She was the best grandmother in the world.

Bonnie Chapman will be interred next to her husband and children at Churchill Cemetery in Fallon, Nevada.

A celebration of life will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, June 4, at her residence at 529 Archer Street, Monterey.

PEGGY MILLER OLSEN

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PACIFIC GROVE — Peggy was born in NYC and raised in Los Angeles. She graduated with a BA from Pomona College in 1959 and went on to get a master's in social work from Columbia University in New York. Returning to the San Francisco Bay Area, she worked as family counselor for seven years.

Peggy met her husband, Hebard, on a Sierra Club boating outing on Tomales Bay. They were delighted to move to the Monterey Bay area when Hebard became a science teacher at Seaside High School. Peggy stayed home with their two children, to whom she was devoted.

Throughout her life, she was a lover of cats from Tabby, Sassy, to Sweetie, whom she even wrote poems to.

As a teen, she played piano and while at Pomona College she played folk guitar. Later in life she became an avid fan of opera.

She discovered an interest in art and began oil painting at age forty. Peggy felt lucky to become a member of Carmel Art Association in 1986. She has had seven solo shows and has been a top seller for many years. She continued to paint throughout her life up until the end.

Peggy is a breast cancer survivor of 30 years. She and Hebard were able to make many wonderful trips together throughout the world. She was supportive of Hebard's retirement career as volunteer videographer for local Monterey Peninsula events.

Peggy's concern for social inequities was developed through her membership in Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. She was an avid listener to KPFA radio and Democracy Now.

Peggy is survived by her sister, Barbara Miller, son Chris, daughter-in-law Annalise, granddaughter Katelyn, grandson William, niece Laurie Lewis, and nephew William Miller. She was predeceased by her brother Ronald B. Miller MD. A memorial service will be held at the Unitarian Universalist Church of the Monterey Peninsula, June 25th at 2 pm, where she was a longtime member who curated the art shows for the church. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to [350.org](https://www.350.org) or [NIRS.org](https://www.NIRS.org).



P.G. city hall gets earful on how to spend Covid money

By KELLY NIX

PACIFIC GROVE residents are most interested in using nearly \$2 million in federal Covid-19 aid the city is getting to fund upgrades to streets, intersections and sidewalks and least interested in using the money for government technology upgrades, according to the results of a survey from 847 people.

In April, Pacific Grove city hall opened up the survey, which featured numerous questions about how to “best prioritize” the \$1.8 million that Pacific Grove is getting in American Rescue Plan pandemic stimulus funds. The survey closed May 13.

“The city anticipates receiving the funding in July of this year, and is including the funding as anticipated revenue within the

draft Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budget, which will be reviewed and adopted by the city council in June,” according to the city.

The survey asked citizens to rank how they would like the federal taxpayer dollars to be spent on a scale of 1-5. Public infrastructure received the strongest responses and got a 3.7 average rating.

Anybody working?

Other top priorities for the money included improvements to the city’s sewer infrastructure and recycled water plant, which irrigates the golf course and parks with reclaimed treated water (3.6), more cash for parks and recreation programs (3.5), and contributions to nonprofit food banks and social service agencies (3.3).

Funding “to address homelessness and affordable housing,” and in increase in funds for fire, EMS and other first responders, financial support for households “facing housing insecurity,” such as rent mortgage and utility assistance, and legal support for those facing eviction got a score of 3.1 out of 5.

Interestingly, increased funding for police and other public safety services fell below that at 3.0, while helping out

restaurants, bars, retail shops and other small businesses impacted by Covid -19 also got a score of only 3.0.

The citizens who took time to fill out the survey weren’t too interested in using the ARPA money for improvements to city buildings and other public facilities or for new economic development and “job training initiatives.”

Citizens also didn’t much like the idea of using the cash to support local arts, music and entertainment and tourism-related businesses, giving the option an average score of 2.7 out of 5.

“Almost all” of those who responded were residents of P.G., and a quarter of them work in the city. An additional 10 percent own a business, the city reported.



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ARRIOLA

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careful he wasn't stolen." Of course, that was long before he moved to this pet-loving haven.

In 1960, Arriola went to Mexico for the first time since he was a youngster. What he saw persuaded him to transform Gordo from what he described as a "fat bean farmer," who he said was drawn to fit "Hollywood stereotypes," to a more svelte taxi driver and finally, a "tourist guide" who could subtly educate the public about Mexican culture while still being funny.

More than once he told The Pine Cone that drawing "Gordo" kept him "working like mad," spending two or three hours on each daily four-panel drawing and as many as eight hours on a full-color Sunday offering. His work was celebrated not only for

its humor, but its artistic value. Charles Schulz ("Peanuts") once called it, "Probably the most beautifully drawn strip in the history of the business." The Carmel Art Association agreed, welcoming Arriola in 1986.

Party at the Thunderbird

But back in 1962, he and his wife opened Gus Arriola Imports in the Doud Arcade on Ocean Avenue, selling "Mexican popular arts," like hand-loomed fabrics and resort wear. Two years later, the family celebrated Carlin's graduation from Carmel High School with a two-month trip to Mexico, including native villages where Mary Frances ordered wares for their shop.

He was recruited as a judge for a variety of contests — including the sand castle competition, of course — and drew posters for local events. By 1972, "Gordo" was popular enough that eight collections of the comic strip were published and celebrated

with a party at the Thunderbird bookstore in the Barnyard shopping center. Arriola waxed a little philosophical. "Gordo's more sophisticated now," he said, adding that terms like saturated fats, water pollution and think tank had entered the characters' vocabularies.

After Carlin's death in 1980 at age 34 from an undisclosed illness, the character Pepito — Gordo's nephew — who was based on Arriola's son, vanished from the strip. The Arriolas did not retreat into grief, however — at least not for long. In March 1981, Community Hospital released a film designed to ease children's fears about a potential hospital stay. It included an animated character named Mr. Fish, drawn by Arriola.

One of his strips appeared on the front page of the Sept. 10, 1981, edition of The Pine Cone to celebrate the release of a new book, "Gordo's Cat," as well as "Gordo's" 40th anniversary.

Arriola was profiled several times in the paper, including a feature in August 1983 after he was recognized as the local Parade of Nations 1983 Citizen of the Year, for his participation in Monterey's city bicentennial and because "Gordo" exemplified "positive attitudes and educational efforts that best produce intercultural awareness." He told reporter Lisa McKaney, "I had some guilt over using a stereotyped view of Mexicans," but said he was glad that Gordo-as-tourist-guide created an opportunity to use historical material and depict Mexican customs.

In 2001, he brought cheers from many a Pine Cone reader when Michael and Tracy

Leaton purchased the home on Camino Real where Arriola and his family lived from 1959 to 1970. They wanted to tear it down and build a new house. The paper reported that the home was "dilapidated," walls were buckling, there was asbestos insulation and the windows leaked. The Carmel Preservation Foundation took issue with the demolition, saying that Arriola's presence made the structure "a candidate for historic preservation" — words that continue to strike fear into many a hopeful builder.

'Dubious honor'

Unlike most historic figures, however, Arriola was still alive and found the idea that the house should be preserved a bit preposterous. "My present situation as created by parties unknown to me, I find not too funny — ridiculous maybe — and a dubious honor," he told the planning commission. Ultimately, the Leatons were permitted to proceed with the demolition, which made Arriola happy.

"Their dreams and plans should not be thwarted by something this frivolous," he said adding, "I've heard of living legends, but I don't want to be one."

Although Arriola retired from drawing the strip in March 1985, he remained active in the community as a speaker at Harrison Memorial Library, writers' clubs, and other events. After he died on Feb. 2, 2008, reporter Mary Schley characterized Arriola as "a genteel and warm man," in his obituary. His memorabilia, including original comic strips and drawings, were donated to the Bancroft Library at UC Berkeley.

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REPORT

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law," but that she "insisted" an officer take the report anyway.

The police report is the latest episode in an ongoing row between Miller and McAdams. McAdams claimed in court documents that Miller's criticisms of her

amounted to "harassment," but she's also said less than flattering things about Miller online, including calling him "creepy."

While McAdams said in the restraining order that she remained "in a state of fear" from Miller, he said she contacted him just this week to respond to a separate post he made more than four months ago.

McAdams will have to pay for Miller's attorney's fees and both parties are set to face off in court in June over the issue.

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CHIEF

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He says he is “highly motivated and very excited about the opportunity to bring my best experience, efforts, and talents to a new organization.”

Nationwide search

Ward emerged from the more than two dozen applicants netted in a nationwide search that ended in January. Last November, the city hired Bob Murray & Associates to find the next chief to replace Paul Tomasi, who retired in October to run security for the Monterey Bay Aquarium. The \$51,000 headhunting contract originally included recruitment for a police commander and a library/community services director, too, but Jeff Watkins was subsequently promoted to commander, and library and community services director Ashlee Wright decided to retain that position, so it’s likely to cost considerably less.

The firm developed a brochure and profile, the job was posted across the country,

and potential candidates were recruited. Twenty-seven people submitted applications by the deadline in late January. A town hall was held in February to solicit feedback from the community on what attributes the next chief should possess. A half-dozen finalists emerged and underwent multiple interviews.

Rerig said Ward understands the community and the values of its residents and business owners.

“His references described him as ‘solutions-oriented’ and diligent in building trust through relationships,” Rerig said. “Overall, he strikes me as passionate about community policing and preserving ‘sense of place’ from a safety perspective.”

The details of Ward’s contract have yet to be finalized and are therefore not available, but according to the salaries approved by the city council in February, the police chief earns the same range as the assistant city administrator: \$167,416 to \$203,495 annually. Rerig said he hopes to have Ward start his new job June 1 and be sworn in June 3, provided his son, who plays professional baseball in the AAA leagues, can be there.

After the announcement on Friday, planning director Brandon Swanson commented that he’d met Ward and said he has a “wonderful personality and will fit in.”

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Stevenson lacrosse teams have been practicing and playing hard

LACROSSE SEASON at Stevenson School this spring was a historically spectacular thrill ride during which the Pirates — male and female — stood tall against some of the best teams in two states.

The boys went 12-0 in the Pacific Coast Athletic League's big-school Gabilan Division, running away with the championship, then conquered Junipero Serra, a traditional power in the Bay Area's mighty West Catholic Athletic League, in the opening round of the Central Coast Section playoffs.

The girls were 8-1 in the Gabilan, sharing their crown with Scotts Valley, then won a 15-14 overtime nail-biter against St. Francis to reach this year's CCS semifinals.

Both move forward with good reason to believe even better things lie ahead.

"We talked all year about the magic of positivity and confidence, but some of the feedback we've heard from the players is that we had a magic that was real," said first-year girls coach Brijet Mall, who insisted that she knew she had a great team — half of which had never played lacrosse before — after a season-opening 14-10 non-division loss to tradition-rich Los Gatos, which was on its way to a 17-1 year.

Stevenson girls also lost to Los Gatos in their regular-season finale, 13-12, one of three 1-point defeats in a 14-5 overall record. The others came at the hand of Scotts Valley, 17-16, and against Chicago-area powerhouse St. Viator, 12-11, on a spring-break trip that changed everything.



PHOTOS/ROY TORRES

Rhea Cosand (22), (left) who will play lacrosse at UC Davis next year, was the top offensive player for the Pirates with a team-high 54 goals and 26 assists, second on the squad. Gabby Torres (right, no. 6), a senior, was second in goals (46) and led Stevenson girls in assists (28). She'll play next season at Colorado University.

Catalina (15-4 and 14-9), Salinas (16-5 and 18-3) and Monte Vista Christian (16-4).

"I intentionally scheduled tough teams. I don't think you grow when you win by 10 or 20 points and I wanted us to be tested, so I sought out programs that I thought might be better than ours," said Mall, who was a first-team All-Patriot Conference player at the U.S. Naval Academy.

A dramatic finish

Mall saw her efforts pay off epically in the CCS quarterfinals against St. Francis, when her three best players — midfielders Rhea Cosand and Gabby Torres and goalie Romi Fernandez (all seniors, all first-team All-Gabilan Division) — rose up like Marvel Comics superheroes when it mattered most.

Torres, who led her team in assists (26) and was second in goals (46) was banished to the sidelines to serve a two-minute penalty with three and one-half minutes to play. With 90 seconds left and Stevenson trailing 10-9, Torres returned to race solo down the field to score the tying goal.

Fernandez (79 saves) followed with a spectacular save with four seconds on the clock, sending the game into sudden-death overtime. That's when Cosand, the Gabilan Division's Player of the Year, won the faceoff, drew a foul near St. Francis' goal, and won the game on a penalty shot

from the 8-meter line.

Cosand will play college lacrosse next year at UC Davis and second-team all-division defenders Sara Barsamian and Lucy Drake also graduate.

What should fans expect next year? More of the same, predicted Mall, who could have seven returning letter winners next spring, including Macey Torres (Gabby's sister), a first-team all-division midfielder this season, and two second-team attackers, sophomore Naiya Patel and junior Molly Bufkin.

"I hope we inspired any young girls who watched us play, and helped them understand that you can display athleticism in a graceful way," the coach said. "Sometimes Rhea Cosand literally looks like she's dancing out there."

Routing the Gabilan

Stevenson boys rode a similar rollercoaster that mowed down 12 straight Gabilan Division opponents by an average score of 14-4. Their closest margins came against Carmel (7-0) and Aptos (17-10), and their most lopsided division victories were by scores of 17-3, 15-0, 16-4, 14-1, and 13-0.

Like Stevenson's girls, the Pirates matured with non-league victories over Archbishop Mitty (8-7 in overtime)

See **SPORTS** next page

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

The Pirates won two of their three games in Illinois, 14-11 over Lake Forest, and 12-5 over Kettle Moraine, and returned to Pebble Beach overflowing with self-belief.

A team to take seriously

"We went to Chicago feeling like those teams were going to be a lot better than us," Mall said. "We came home with two victories and a one-point loss to a team that was rumored to be the best in that area, and realized we were a team to be taken seriously."

Their record also would include a 14-12 conquest of Archbishop Mitty, an 11-5 rout over Menlo School, and Gabilan Division victories over co-champ Scotts Valley (15-9), traditional rivals Carmel (17-3 and 13-9) and Santa



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and Junipero Serra (9-7), a three-overtime, 11-10 loss to Menlo School and an 8-5 spring break loss to Lake Forest in Chicago.

“Lake Forest has a top-tier program in Illinois. We lost 8-5 in the snow and we were competitive through the game,” remembered Pirates coach Cooper Kehoe. “For us, that game actually ended with some tears of joy and a realization that we were competent and worthy. For us, that was monumental.”

The Lake Forest battle came on the heels of back-to-back losses in Chicago to St. Viator, 20-3, and Kettle Monroe, 17-5, and the Pirates’ final overall record, 15-7, also included a 15-4 loss to Bellarmine and a 19-5 beating from second-seeded Sacred Heart Prep in the CCS quarterfinals.

“We play in a league (the PCAL Gabilan Division) that is developing and growing and creating some adept lacrosse players,” said Kehoe, a former All-American at Colorado State University. “But the depth on rosters — ours included — isn’t as good as what we encounter in the San Jose area. As you get further into a game, depth comes into play in a very significant way.”

Wins over WCAL schools

And, yet, Stevenson had enough firepower to surprise two tradition-rich WCAL schools, posting an 8-7 overtime victory over Archbishop Mitty in April and knocking off Junipero Serra, 9-7, in the opening round of CCS on May 14.

“Beating Mitty was a good moment for us, because we were banged up when we came back from Chicago and also had some significant sickness on our team,” Kehoe said. “We were missing some guys and the game was big because we had to dig deeper.”

“That segment of our season — playing those teams in Chicago, then returning to play Bellarmine, Mitty and Los Gatos — was really challenging, but a growth experience

for us,” he said.

The Pirates were returning to full strength when they traveled to Atherton to play Menlo, a three-overtime loss that also demonstrated grit.

‘What athletics are about’

“We got deep in a hole that day, then rallied back to take the lead with a minute left,” Kehoe said. “We made a small mistake, they buried one with a few seconds left to send the game into overtime, and we ended up losing in the third overtime. But we walked away that day feeling like that’s what athletics are all about — it was really great lacrosse. It was a lot of fun and you can’t really be mad about losing a game like that.”

The All-Gabilan Division team included four Stevenson players — Darnell Adler (goalkeeper) and fellow senior Win Metcalf (a midfielder who will play at Vassar College next year), junior Tristan Evans (midfielder) and freshman Will Bufkin (attacker), who was tagged by his teammates with two nicknames — “Willie Buckets” and “Beef Wellington.”

Seniors Thomas Lansbury (defender) and Nathaniel Hahn (defensive midfielder), junior Craig Chiu (midfielder), and sophomore Justin Diniz (attacker) earned second-team recognition.

Evans (49 goals, 12 assists) and Bufkin (42 goals, 32 assists) led a balanced offense that also included Peter Butler (30 goals, 18 assists), Metcalf (26 goals, 16 assists), and Diniz (24 goals, 11 assists).

Adler, the Gabilan Division’s Player of the Year, had a




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Stevenson goalie Darnell Adler stopped 61 percent of shots this season and was named Player of the Year in the PCAL’s Gabilan Division.


61 percent save percentage in goal for the Pirates.


Midfielder Alex Ahuja and defensive midfielder Nathaniel Hahn were also key parts of the Stevenson team.

“The goal next year is to win a second-round game at CCS, then move forward from there,” said Kehoe, who loses six seniors to graduation. “That’s an attainable goal.”



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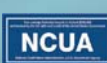

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Editorial

It's up to the Legislature

WE ALL know that California is desperately short of housing, and more and more people are realizing that the shortage didn't come about because of a lack of resources, developer greed or any of the other reasons that are usually taken for granted. We don't have enough housing because environmentalists and their NIMBY allies spent the last 50 years working overtime to stop it from being built — and they succeeded more than even the most fervent Sierra Club member could have imagined.

Using language almost as pointed as a Ricky Gervais Netflix special, a ruling last week from the three judges with the First District California Court of Appeal describes in great detail how, in one Marin County case, the environmentalists, the state legislature, local government and activists pulled it off.

If you don't believe us, just ask the Martha Company of Tiburon, which has been trying for 50 years to build a few dozen homes on 100 acres overlooking San Francisco Bay.

The land is precious, no doubt about that. Marin County supervisors called it “amazing,” “unique,” “a jewel” and “an absolute treasure” — which means demand for housing in that location would be immense. But the people who might live in the homes have no political power to make it happen, while the people who already lived nearby had a bounty of ways to stop it — and stop it they did.

As the appeals court judges tell it, in the early 1970s, when the Martha Company first tried to develop the parcel, it was zoned for a “minimum of 300 units,” but Marin County quickly downzoned the property to allow a “maximum of 34,” eliminating 90 percent of the property's housing capacity. Martha then sued in U.S. District Court, claiming the downzoning amounted to an unconstitutional confiscation of their property. In 1976, the lawsuit was settled with an agreement that the county would allow the company to develop 43 homes on the land that previously had been zoned for 300. In exchange, Martha would dedicate one-half of its 100 acres as open space. You'd think that would be a victory for the environmental side, right? But no. When the Martha Company tried to get actual permits to build 43 actual homes on the remaining developable property, they were consigned to decades of CEQA hell where every aspect of their plan was deemed to have serious and unmitigatable environmental impacts — everything from destroying habitat for the Marin dwarf flax and red legged frog, to causing wildfires and landslides, to overcrowding the local schools and libraries. So, yes, Marin County had agreed to allow the homes to be built, but then emphatically proceeded not to allow them to be built.

No less than 41 years after the first lawsuit was settled, back into federal court the besieged Martha Company went, this time seeking to have the original settlement enforced.

But the local activists weren't having it. Regardless of the promise made in 1976, they argued, Marin County could not allow the 43 houses to be built unless every requirement of CEQA was meticulously satisfied, leading the appeals court judges last week to moan, “Something is very wrong with this picture.”

Elaborating, they said, “It is probably a truism that since the adoption of CEQA, every developer has at some point before construction starts ground his teeth or clenched her fists while enduring the bureaucratic and politically charged morass leading to certification of an environmental impact report.”

And then they cautioned that “the rules regulating protection of the environment must not be subverted into an instrument for the oppression and delay of social, economic, or recreational development and advancement. CEQA was meant to serve noble purposes, but it can easily be manipulated to be a formidable tool of obstruction.”

The judges then ordered, once again, that Martha Company's 43 homes be approved — but that is surely still not the end of the story. Just as it has for thousands of other landowners in California, the CEQA torture for the developer in Tiburon will continue until the activists, themselves, decide to give up. Until they do, their options for obstruction are virtually limitless.

We congratulate the appeals court judges for their brilliant ruling. But no matter how hard they may try, only the Legislature can make real CEQA reform happen.

BEST of BATES



“Beats me how it got through the planning commission.”

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ASR1 and backups

Dear Editor,

In response to Mr. Magill's May 20 letter about the ASR1 well — he is wrong on several fronts. Recycled water from Pure Water Monterey injected into the Seaside Basin is already treated to the highest drinkable standards. You could drink it at the plant. Take the tour and try it. It's state regulation that it must be stored for two months in the ground as back-up in the event of a plant failure.

Second, as noted by Dave Stoldt, MPWMD general manager, Cal Am has relied on the ASR1 well and neglected activating and permitting other ASR wells it could use. The district has requested they permit these wells for years. It is Cal Am's responsibility to do that. This is just another example of the company's mismanagement. Any good manager would have back-up wells permitted and ready in the event of need. They could alternatively dig

another well in six to eight months. Rather than assuming empire-building from the district, Magill should know MPWMD, Monterey One and Cal Am are in continuing dialog to resolve this problem.

Pure Water Monterey Expansion will continue to provide adequate clean water; the issue with this well is quite solvable. Yes, Cal Am should be bought out. We deserve a public water agency that answers to the public, not shareholders, as the voters decreed in 2018 through Measure J.

Susan Schiavone, Seaside

Misunderstanding storage

Dear Editor,

Neither of the authors of comments about the shutdown of the ASR well understands the reasoning supporting the shutdown. By asserting that the shutdown is “literally and figuratively poisoning the well” without explaining how shutting down a well that already is pumping recycled water lacking adequate underground retention time could worsen the situation, John Magill appears to be merely sounding off. Melodie Chrislock, reasoning better, concludes erroneously that underground retention time is “only a backup,” implying the absence of a functional role in the process of recycled water production.

The recycling facility was designed to comply with current aquifer storage regulations. I doubt that it was overdesigned or overbuilt. Those regulations require two months' residence time in an aquifer, not only to provide response time for failures but also for “removal of organic

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Hail to the visiting Golfers in Chief

THE MONTEREY Peninsula has enjoyed many presidential visits — the first was President Rutherford B. Hayes in September 1880. That was followed by Benjamin Harrison in 1891, William McKinley in 1901, and Teddy Roosevelt in 1903. They each arrived by train and none of them played golf.

Herbert Hoover first visited long before he was elected president in 1928. In 1899, the young Stanford grad came to marry

pro-am after leaving office; Donald Trump played in it before being elected. Neither George W. Bush nor Barack Obama has played in the pro-am, but both have visited as former presidents. Bill Clinton was the last president to visit the Peninsula while in office. He came in September 1995 to dedicate the opening of CSU Monterey Bay; he also managed to get in some golf at Pebble Beach.

Another presidential visit had been off my radar until I saw a series of recently scanned images of a military helicopter landing on the 18th Fairway of Pebble Beach Golf Links. Helicopters landing on the course are pretty uncommon, so I researched the event. I learned it was the arrival of South Korean President Park Chung-hee on Thursday, Aug. 20, 1969.

Korean chief exec

The South Korean president came to California for a series of meetings with Nixon at San Francisco on Aug. 21 and 22. The presidential entourage from Korea flew into Moffett Naval Air Station on Thursday morning and was greeted by San Francisco Mayor Joseph Alioto. In his remarks, Alioto noted that “This is the first time the head of another nation has met with the President of the United States in our city.”

Park had come of age during the Japanese occupation of Korea and after high school, he pursued military training. He graduated top of his class in 1942 from the Changchun military academy and was sent to the Japanese Army Academy for further training. In 1944, he was commissioned as a lieutenant and served as an aide during the final days of World War II.

Park returned to Korea, which was occupied by the United States following World War II. He attended the Korean military academy and entered Korean military service under the U.S. Army. The First Korean Republic was established in 1948. The authoritarian president, Syngman Rhee, accused Park of inciting communism

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History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

Monterey native Lou Henry. In more recent history, President Eisenhower visited in 1956. John Kennedy was a senator when he visited in 1960, and Richard Nixon was unemployed when he visited in 1961, having lost the presidential election to Kennedy in 1960.

One of the most frequent presidential visitors was Jerry Ford. He was here as vice-president in June 1974 to play in a golf tournament at Cypress Point. He was scheduled to return in August. His plans changed when Nixon resigned and Ford became president on Aug. 9. A year later, he returned as president in September 1975, spending the weekend at Pebble Beach with his friend Leonard Firestone and playing golf with Jack Westland, with whom he had served in Congress when Westland was the U.S. Representative from the state of Washington.

Modern era

On Jan. 20, 1977, golfers teed off for the first round of the Crosby Pro-Am. Arnold Palmer was playing without his Amateur partner. Ford stayed in Washington to turn the White House over to the Carters, but he was by Palmer's side for Round 2 on the Shore Course, in his first full day as ex-president. Ford not only returned to play in several more pro-ams, but during the 1980s, when Marvin Davis was the resort's principal owner, Ford served on the board of directors.

President G.H.W. Bush played in the

Incongruous odds and ends make her artwork ‘vibrate’ with life

‘VIBRATION’ IS a big part of art for Monterey multimedia specialist Stephanie Langley, who intentionally creates conflict in her paintings and collages, bringing together seemingly unrelated items that challenge the beholder to interpret the artist's intent.

An eight ball, a banana, a cartoon sketch of a dancing man, and what might be a thin plume of white smoke? That's

minister of France.

“She somehow made it through the French Revolution, but their affair was so scandalous that King Louis XIV told them to get married,” said Langley, who duplicated a small part of the madame's face from Gerard's famous painting, in her own collage-style piece.

Langley intended to create another “vibration” with “Everything is Just Peachy,” a Salle-inspired work in which she brings together a house, a small bird, a big peach and a blown-out match.

“I wanted to suggest the idea that there was some sort of danger involved,” she said. “I finished that one during the pandemic, when, you know, everything was ‘just peachy’ — but that little bird is warning us.”

A local upbringing

Langley has deep local roots as the daughter of Dwight Langley, who teamed with Charlie Higuera to create Pacific Grove's iconic Grove Market in 1969.

She attended Lighthouse School in P.G., Walter Colton Junior High in Monterey and was a 1970 graduate of Monterey High.

Langley worked with her father at Grove Market from 1968 to 1976, when she enrolled at Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo. There, she began studying graphic arts and printing.

“I honestly had no clue what I wanted to do until I was in my 20s, but by then I had decided that I didn't want to work in the grocery store for the rest of my life,” she said.

Langley left Cal Poly in 1979 without a degree, but was quickly hired as a freelance art director by Mortensen Design in Palo Alto, where she honed her skills for five years in graphic design and illustration.

Teaching: A mixed bag

During the same period, she attended California College of the Arts, earning a Bachelor of Fine Arts in 1985. She started her own company, Langley Illustration, that year. It was a business she maintained through an 11-year teaching career that had its ups and downs.

“I liked it and I didn't,” said Langley, who pushed her art cart from one classroom to the next, working with grades three through five in the Palo Alto Unified School District from 2006 to 2017. “We were considered ‘art specialists’ — the classrooms weren't ours — and each classroom had a different environment:

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Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

where “vibration” comes in, said Langley, whose portfolio includes paintings, mixed media and assemblage.

David Salle's influence

“One of my biggest interests is contrast — putting things next to each other that seem to make no sense — which causes a sort of visual vibration, sending the eye back and forth between the two,” said Langley, who identified American contemporary artist David Salle as an early inspiration when she was a student at the California College of the Arts.

“I was very intrigued by what he was doing with his canvases, painting over images, which would totally change the meaning of the painting,” she said.

Langley has become intrigued with historic portraits like Francois Gerard's 1804 painting of Madame Talleyrand (also known as Catherine Grand), who, in the late 1700s, was married, divorced, and infamously involved in a wild and salacious affair with diplomat Charles Maurice de Talleyrand-Perigord, the first prime



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Monterey County students.”

Steck said her experience sets her apart.

“I have a proven track record of listening to all constituents, working with others to make transparent decisions that benefit students, and moving Carmel USD forward. On my watch, Carmel USD became — and has remained — one of the top-performing districts in the state,” said Steck, who was appointed to the District 1 seat last fall after longtime trustee Harvey Kuffner died.

Steck, a financial advisor who works with school districts, said she also has “recognized expertise in fiscal oversight of taxpayer-funded school district budgets,” including the Los Angeles County Office of Education, “by far the largest and most complex county office in the state.” Last year, she worked with state treasurer Fiona Ma to establish a bridge loan program for districts suffering the financial effects of Covid.

“I know how to serve on a board and how to work well with my fellow board members, administrators, faculty and staff, and parents,” she added, and is an instructor in the California School Boards Association’s masters in governance program, “where I have taught thousands of trustees and superintendents how to work with one another and do their jobs better.”

Teacher shortages

Declining enrollment in public schools due to the pandemic, people moving out of state and fewer people having children mean less funding for the two dozen districts the county board of education oversees, Steck and Odello said.

“If local districts are to survive those declines, the problem will have to be addressed at the state level,” Steck said, by adjusting the average daily attendance and other formulas used for allocating money, but local districts should also work to draw back families who left during Covid.

“Much of this work must be done at the district level, but the county board can lead by highlighting the problem and providing potential interventions to districts in the county,” she said.

Budget cuts would be a last resort, but one which Steck said she has a lot of experience with.

Also challenging districts is the ongoing loss of

teachers, staff and administrators, and the difficulties in hiring new ones — problems seen throughout the country.

“The baby boomer generation is aging out and younger generations have been less inclined to go into education,” Steck said, a problem made far worse by the pandemic, when many veteran teachers chose to retire rather than deal with the stress and demands of distance learning.

Steck said MCOE should fight for more funding for districts to attract new teachers and work with area universities and colleges to “strengthen and expand existing teaching internship programs that would bring increased numbers of young teachers to county districts.”

Odello said the county’s high cost of living, housing shortages and rising inflation are keeping prospective educators away.

“The county board of education should be involved with other government agencies in trying to solve the housing crunch in order to ensure teachers, staff and administrators are included,” he said.

Learning gaps

While schools have returned to full-time in-classroom teaching, and all but Pacific Grove Unified School District have also gotten rid of mask requirements and other Covid-related restrictions, learning gaps that developed during a year of distance learning remain, according to Odello and Steck.

“Covid-19 did not treat all groups of students equally, and the gaps caused by the lack of in-person learning are just being documented now,” Steck said. “Students coming from less privileged backgrounds, those who have experienced homelessness, special needs children and English language learners all have fared less well during the pandemic than their counterparts.” She also said younger kids had a harder time than teenagers.

Odello said administrators need to “assess the ‘whole’ student, not just academics, and understand and grasp what social, emotional and mental-health needs MCOE needs to be targeting, especially in a post-pandemic era.”

He also said the county office should “continue and expand its efforts in coordinating a harmonized emergency response, like it did for the pandemic,” but expand it to address the “mental-health crisis.” Further, it should retain its youth homeless coordinator to provide assistance and guidance to transient kids, and trustees should be active in solving the problem in the areas they represent.

Finally, he said, the county should work with the state “on how to best provide effective childcare for working families.”

Steck said she would approach the problem of learning gaps by first ensuring they are fully documented.

“Students from all walks of life are behind where they should be because of the switch to virtual learning,” she said. “Only by seeing the magnitude of the problem can we position our educational system to do the hard work necessary to minimize the gaps,” which could include small-group and one-on-one instruction.

‘Extra teachers’

“This will entail employing extra teachers and instructional aides which can be paid for by the federal- and state-provided Covid learning loss funding,” she continued. The county office can help by providing more professional development for educators.

“I also think that reaching out to parents and other family members to engage them in the process will be important,” she said.

One issue Odello alone focused on is creating strong career paths for the county’s students. “We need to be linking our career tech and vocational education to our local industries here in Monterey County,” he said, such as agriculture, hospitality and tourism. “The college preparatory pathway is important and should always remain strong, but adding career tech and vocational programs that allow for students to stay in Monterey County can add a tremendous diversity to educational pathways.”

Still pushing the boundaries of dance, Smuin returns to Sunset

WRAPPING UP its 28th season, Smuin Ballet is back at Sunset Center Friday and Saturday.

The program, titled “Dance Series 2: P.S. Forever Smuin,” showcases “four diverse ballets from established dance makers and rising choreographic voices,” including Val Caniparoli’s “Confessions,” Amy Seiwert’s “Renaissance,” Brennan Wall’s “Untwine,” and a classical duet by Tessa Barbour set to music by Tchaikovsky and expanded into a work for three couples.

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and sentenced him to death. That sentence was commuted, but Park was dismissed from the service.

When the Korean War began in 1950, Park was reinstated and quickly rose to rank of colonel. By the time the armistice was signed in 1953, he was a brigadier general. In the tenuous peace that followed, Park went to Fort Sill in Oklahoma for six months of training. He returned to Korea and over the next few years advanced through the ranks. By 1960, he had become chief of Operations Staff of the South Korean Army.

Unfulfilled dream

In the spring of 1960, a student-led rebellion forced Rhee to resign and sent South Korea into economic and political turmoil as it struggled to establish a second republic. Park formed a military committee and on May 16, 1961, led a coup to remove the second republic and restore stability under a Supreme Council. The third republic was established in 1963, and Park was elected its first president. He is credited with modernizing Korea. His military-style leadership led some historians to reflect on his leadership as a “developmental dictatorship.”

Well into his second four-year term as president, Park was concerned that Nixon would lessen the U.S. military presence in Asia. Shortly after the American president ordered the removal of 25,000 troops from Vietnam, Park asked for the meeting. The U.S. had 50,000 troops helping

to secure the peace in Korea and their two armies were allies in the ongoing war in Vietnam. Once the summit was set, Park, age 52, scheduled some leisure time to bookend his business trip.

Following the brief ceremony at Moffett Field, Park's contingent boarded U.S. Marine helicopters for the flight to Pebble Beach. After landing on the golf course, they checked into The Lodge. Park reportedly had dreamed of playing Pebble Beach for years, but the long trip left him tired. He rested in his suite while others of the group played golf. Mrs. Park took a tour of 17 Mile Drive and Del Monte Forest. A Korean dinner was prepared for the Parks that evening and served in one of the townhouses above The Lodge.

The next morning, the helicopters returned to the fairway and, after a brief ceremony behind The Lodge, flew the visitors to the Presidio of San Francisco to begin the meetings with Nixon.

After two days of meetings and formal state dinners in the city, the leaders parted. Nixon provided Air Force One on Saturday morning to fly the Parks and 35 others to Castle Air Force Base in Merced. From there, a motorcade drove the group to Yosemite where they checked into the Ahwahnee Hotel before playing golf at nearby Wawona. On Sunday morning, they had a brief tour of the national park before returning to Castle AFB for the flight back to Seoul.

The working vacation of President Park was brief, but in his view, successful. He received assurance of continued military support from Nixon, and, while it was denied



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Aimee “Tim” Michaud, president of Del Monte Properties Co., addressed President Park Chung-hee and his wife at the end of their brief visit.

by U.S. officials, seems to have delayed further U.S. withdrawal from Vietnam. While Park didn't fulfill his dream of playing Pebble Beach, he could claim he visited — and that he did so in a unique way.

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ARTIST

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Some teachers were strict, others were really loose, and kids pick up on that. Some classes could be very chaotic and I don't do well with chaos.

“Kids do weird, strange, unusual things when you're with them — stuff you'd never even imagine. It's like, ‘Oh, my God...’” she said.

An upside, said Langley, was that she essentially taught herself how to paint so she could better serve her students.

“Teaching kids really made me think about my own art, because it required me to explain what I was doing, and why,” she said. “Teaching makes you think, which made me a better artist — and that was really good.”

Painting full-time

She and her husband, Lee Beggs (also a retired graphic designer), relocated to Monterey in 2016, when Langley's mother was battling dementia, and Langley retired a year later to focus on her art.

“Instead of doing work for other people, I'm doing work for myself, but it was scary to become a full-time painter,” she said. “It's like, ‘I can do anything I want today ... therefore I will do anything.’”

“I've always been very deadline-oriented so I try to set deadlines for myself, even when I don't actually have

one,” she said. “If I don't, I'll just fritter the time away.”

Langley advanced her skill level by attending Monday Night Figure sessions at Carmel Visual Arts, where she practiced painting live models. She also took a figure and landscape workshop from CVA owner Rich Brimer.

‘Just like baseball’

“When I was teaching, I'd always tell the kids, ‘It's just like baseball — you have to practice,’” she said.

Langley and her husband have one daughter, Morgan Beggs, a plant biologist in Oregon. Images of her work can be seen on her website at stephpaint.weebly.com or on Instagram, @langleypine. She also makes small sculptures, which are represented by Studio Gallery in San Francisco.

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compounds and pathogen reduction.” The State’s Division of Drinking Water’s latest framework for regulating production of recycled water without this storage requirement envisages “additional criteria to compensate for the loss of the protective benefits assured by the presence of a meaningful environmental buffer.” The additional criteria are a work in progress and probably will require additional redundancy in treatment. If storage is inadequate, a system is not meeting current regulations.

Bob Siegfried, Carmel

Use surplus to help children

Dear Editor,

California needs humane priorities. The most needy should be the first to be helped. Fifty percent of the budget used for health and education. Nearly half of all people here are low income and poor. Fifty-two percent are children. They are our future.

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‘Gold standard’ on climate risk

Dear Editor,

In his letter published in the May 20 Pine Cone, Chuck Najarian expressed deep skepticism about the risks of climate change and the measures proposed to deal with them. The evidence is heavily against him. There is an overwhelming international scientific consensus on the following three points: (1) climate change is happening, (2) humans are causing it, and (3) it is not a good thing. No legitimate scientific organization in the world will disagree with these three points. Indeed, virtually all of them have issued formal statements confirming human-caused climate change. The certainty of such change has now reached a rare “gold standard” statistical consensus.

The processes explaining climate change are very complex, invoking such sciences as meteorology, astronomy, oceanography, physics, biology and chemistry. Anyone proposing effective policies for dealing with climate change needs a basic understanding of the underlying sciences. That is not easy to acquire, but not hopeless with some diligence. There is an extensive body of information intended to provide a layperson with a sound background to participate in the critical deliberations we require to deal with the threats facing humankind. An excellent source is Mike Clancy’s six-part video lecture series entitled “Climate Change: Causes, Effects and Solutions,” which can be viewed online for free by browsing the New Releases section of wavestreetlive.com.

James Emery, Carmel

When will media tell the truth?

Dear Editor,

If you believe the Los Angeles Times, the Buffalo shooter who left 10 dead on May 14 emerged from “a far-right ecosystem.” A Rolling Stone headline echoed the claim: “The Buffalo Shooter Isn’t a ‘Lone Wolf.’ He’s a

Mainstream Republican.” The New York Times links the mass murderer to former House Speaker Newt Gingrich and New York Congresswoman Elise Stefanik.

This latest attack is one in a series of mass public shootings motivated by environmentalism. But you won’t hear that on the news. In his manifesto, the gunman self-identifies as an “eco-fascist national socialist” and a member of the “mild-moderate authoritarian left.” He expresses concern that minority immigrants have too many children and will damage the environment. Capitalists, who the shooter argues are destroying the environment, are at the root of much of the problem. “The trade of goods is to be discouraged at all costs,” he demands.

Overpopulation and the environment are hardly signature conservative issues. It’s certainly not something you’ll hear Donald Trump talk about at his rallies. And while some Republicans believe in limiting international trade, it’s certainly not for environmental reasons. We usually think of Democrats, not Republicans, as the environmentalists. The Buffalo murderer’s views are almost word-for-word similar to those of the shooters in 2019 at a New Zealand mosque and an El Paso Walmart.

When will the mainstream media EVER tell the American people the truth? Likely never — because telling the truth about some of these mass shooters doesn’t fit the media-created popular narrative.

Mark Carbonaro, Monterey

‘Patriarchal system’

Dear Editor,

Tensions over sex and sexuality have been a constant through all of recorded history. One might say the entire patriarchal system was based on reining in all sexual practices, celibacy, inheritance, legitimacy with all sorts of laws and taboos. Today we seem obsessed with gender and gender fluidity. It is, of course, perfectly logical that a biological woman, identifying as male, could be pregnant if “they” did not take hormones or have transition surgery. So that poor legislator is correct and not worthy of your scorn.

But you can be fearful about your long-held beliefs as the times they are a-changing and it is not the “woke” segment of society that is resorting to new laws and cultural warfare. It is the other segment that is fearful of these new acceptances and retreating into bigotry and exclusion. Oklahoma banned transgendered student athletes from competing on their chosen gender teams — at the time there were four such individuals in the entire state. Seems like a waste of the legislators’ time. Surely there were more important matters to concern them.

Joan Grabe, Carmel Valley

‘Reckless spending’

Dear Editor,

I loved the editor’s recent quote from Barbara Tuchman: It’s common for heads of state and military leaders to find themselves caught “between the rocks of conscience and the shoals of political reality.” Timely quote. Tuchman’s most compelling history book, “The March of Folly from Troy to Vietnam,” chronicles the senseless march of war through the centuries.

Might the United States government grapple more with the rocks of conscience as it drags us headlong into a major war in Europe? This one is advertised as a “good war,” somehow different from the many Tuchman writes about.

President Biden proposed a \$33 billion war package, which the House passed and increased to \$40 billion. Where is the money going? Mostly to weapons, apparently. Where is it coming from? From new taxes? Cutting the budget somewhere else? No, it appears to come from borrowing and money printing.

With this kind of reckless spending, it’s not surprising that the annual inflation rate for the United States was 8.3

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percent for the 12 months ending in April. Where does this leave the American who's trying to save some money? The average certificate of deposit now earns about 2 percent. I leave it to the reader to calculate how fast this hapless person is losing ground.

Thomas F. Lee,
Monterey

Noteworthy irony

Dear Editor,

The irony of the two cover stories in your May 13th edition, one above the other, cannot be missed. The headline story — the plight of two stranded donkeys. God forbid! Below it, our county supervisors are doubling down on a woman's right to abortion "all the way through pregnancy to protect a woman's health" — "health" being defined to include emotional and mental wellbeing.

In our country it is illegal for any person to intentionally destroy the nest of a barn swallow. It violates the Migratory Bird Act. Yet, human beings in the womb live in the free-fire zone. "Woe to those who call good, evil and evil good."

D. Jones,
Pacific Grove

'Red, white and blue' candidate

Dear Editor,

I support Dalila Epperson for Congress. She is a true grassroots candidate and does not take money from political action committees since she doesn't want to be beholden to their agendas.

She stands for the Constitution, supports our police and military, is pro-capitalism, pro-Second Amendment, favors keeping our schools open and is pro-school choice. She also advocates for freedom of speech and religion and protecting our borders.

Dalila is not red or blue but red, white and blue. She wanted to debate Jeff Gorman, but he declined. She also welcomes the opportunity to debate Jimmy Panetta. Let's see if he will decline. Dalila is the wife of a firefighter and veteran and a mother of four.

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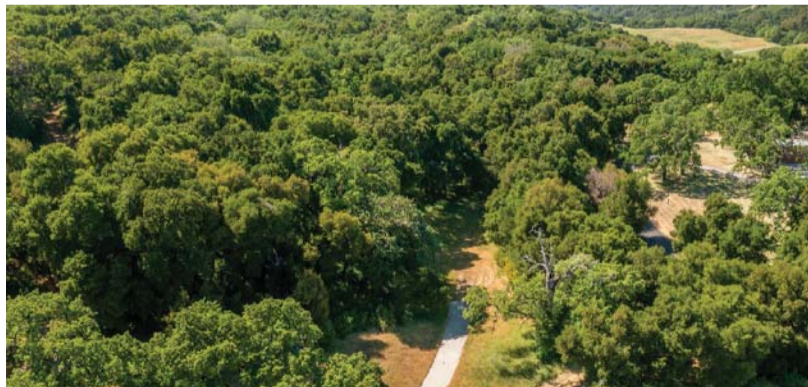
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Lifestyles

Gentlemen, start your checkups

By ELAINE HESSER

BIOLOGY HAS good news and bad news for men when it comes to their health.

The good news is that, while most women have started seeing a gynecologist on a regular basis by their early 20s and may also see doctors at a young age for pregnancy and childbirth, healthy young men usually don't try to see a doctor unless they're sick and usually don't start having regular physicals until they reach middle age — even though they should.

As one physician told Healthy Lifestyles few years ago, "Men don't go to the doctor unless something interferes with golf or sex." (As if anyone needed confirmation that golf is serious business around here.)

A 2019 men's health study completed by the Cleveland Clinic and cited by AARP said, "Only half of the 1,174 adult men surveyed said they get regular checkups, and 72 percent would rather do household chores such as cleaning the bathroom than go see their doctor."

Blood tests

As much as we're sure you'd love to get at those pine needles in the gutters, you should probably also make an appointment for a physical exam. Dr. Greg Cannon, a primary care doctor with Montage Health, said that men between the ages of 18 and 49 with no known medical problems should see their doctors every two to three years, but once they turn 50, it's time to start annual exams — and regular blood tests.

Cannon said to expect your doctor to screen for cholesterol, diabetes and thyroid disorders. The frequency of prostate screenings has become a matter of some controversy. Although checking the level of PSA (prostate-specific antigen) requires a simple blood test, the Mayo Clinic and other healthcare organizations have said that

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Before you pick up those dumbbells, read this

By ELAINE HESSER

IT'S ALMOST as if Grant McArthur doesn't want you to lift weights, at least at first. Before getting into the "how" of it, he said that the "right" approach depends largely on what someone wants to achieve, and that walking regularly may be a better path to overall fitness. That's when you realize that the certified personal trainer and longtime weightlifter — he's 38 and has been at it since he was a student at Pacific Grove High School — wants to know where the person's motivation to pump iron comes from.

Although many articles on weightlifting have been directed toward women or seniors, who may be new to it, Healthy Lifestyles specifically asked what it can do for men, which elicited a surprising response from McArthur.

"If someone's not playing sports, it's often more of an insecurity thing," he said. "They want to make changes to their appearance. They think life would be better if they looked more formidable." Like the old comic book ads for Charles Atlas training, with the sad-looking "98-pound weakling"? Yup. Just like that.

Simple basics

When people think of male weightlifters, they probably imagine someone like Conan the Future Governor. McArthur explained that in bodybuilding, in which former Gov. Schwarzenegger once competed, body fat — or the lack of it — plays a large role. If your goal is to look that sculpted, it's not just about hitting the barbells.

"If the competitors' body fat is not low enough, their hard work can't be fully appreciated," he said. And while he didn't want to generalize, since there are all sorts of levels and categories within the sport, he said that bodybuilders often spend "a disproportionate amount of time shortening and contracting muscles," at the cost of flexibility and mobility. "It all depends on your priorities," he said.

But for most people, "I look at fitness more to extend the quality of life, improve performance and improve other health issues. I want people to get to a version of themselves they like."

Begin with basics, he advised. "Just start with walking. Start at 8,000 steps a day and then get better." McArthur also wants to know how quickly you can get up out of a chair, something he calls "sit-to-stand" time. He has clients set a timer for one minute, then count how many times

they can go from sitting to standing.

"I might see someone who goes from three times in a minute to 27 times, in two months," he said, pointing out that the ability to rise easily improves confidence and perhaps the ability "to keep volunteering or getting out and socializing" — which are important, especially for those who live alone.

Armed with a fitness philosophy that addresses the whole body, McArthur helps his clients see how all the parts are related. "Hypothetically, take a man who is overweight and has a big stomach and love handles. All of that is pulling him down, and the body compensates by tensing the back muscles," which will then become sore.

Also, he noted that there can be problems you're not even aware of. "Sometimes really strong parts are next to really weak ones, he said." That is, someone with a really healthy back may have a weak core — the area around the abdomen that's important to good posture, as well as getting up out of that chair.

If someone has trouble carrying groceries, McArthur wants to know if it's a strength problem or possibly a cardiovascular issue, too — is the person huffing and puffing? "Most people avoid cardio. They think, 'If I'm not killing myself, it's not effective. That couldn't be further from the truth,'" he continued. He recommended aiming for 120 to 150 minutes of cardio a week, at a pace where you can still hold a conversation.

Daily habits for good health

Weight training does have a place in all of this, of course. If you want to lift your growing grandchild into the air, for example, you need strong shoulder, arm and back muscles, as well as correct posture and body mechanics.

But should you use free weights, like dumbbells and barbells, or the weight machines at the gym? And what about those stretchy bands? Do they do any good?

Free weights are the most difficult, McArthur said. Imagine someone is lifting a dumbbell straight up and down with an extended arm. They're not just using their shoulder muscles, but "all the supporting muscles as well," he said. People who use free weights need to pay close attention to their form in order to prevent injury.

Machines allow you to isolate muscle groups, "so you



Grant McArthur

can train more heavily and more safely," he said. You also don't have to worry about dropping something heavy on your foot. As far as the stretchy bands, they're safe, simple and lightweight (easy to take with you on vacation), but only offer resistance in one direction.

However, the most important thing to understand is that weightlifting is part of an overall wellness plan, McArthur emphasized. "There are a lot of people who could improve their lives dramatically and without the help of a trainer by just including daily habits, routines and rituals for basic foundational fitness."

"If you can't afford a trainer or a gym, get two 1-gallon jugs and walk with them," he suggested. "When you do a simple task as a daily discipline, life gets easier, you can take on more, and get really fit." That is the idea, after all.

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HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

When you make big changes to healthcare, you learn a few things

By DENNIS TAYLOR

THE SADLER brothers, born four minutes apart in New York City, grew up energetic, educated and eager to become difference-makers, a combination of qualities inspired by their parents. Their father held a Ph.D. in organic chemistry and worked as a chemical engineer and researcher; their mother taught math to juvenile delinquents at Rikers Island Prison.

Their upbringing guided the identical twins toward a professional collaboration that helped change healthcare in America in significant and lasting ways.

And now the 81-year-old Sadlers — Alfred and Blair — have authored “(P)LUCK: Lessons We Learned for Improving Healthcare and the World,” published by Silicon Valley Press and scheduled for release on June 28. Preorders are being accepted now.

Becoming catalysts

Beginning at age 26, Dr. Alfred “Fred” Sadler, a longtime local physician who has retired to Carmel, and Blair, a lawyer in La Jolla, became catalysts who would play a major role in creating and improving all manner of things.

- They initiated the creation of a national network for organ-sharing, including the universal organ-donor card;

- They reimagined and helped overhaul our national emergency medicine system and helped devise the 911 emergency system, along with a plan to train EMTs and emergency room doctors and nurses nationwide.

- They joined forces to address an audience at Boston’s Massachusetts General Hospital on whether medical professionals and others should be protected against lawsuits if they stop to render help at a medical emergency.

- They cleared a path for nurse practitioners and physician assistants to become nationwide professionals. Fred co-founded a 27-month master’s-level physician assistant program at CSUMB, which graduated 29 physician assistants in May 2021.

“(P)LUCK” chronicles how the Sadlers faced the challenges they encountered during their decades-long journey along “the road less traveled” (a recurring theme in their book), and the combination of luck and pluck that allowed them to meet each moment successfully.

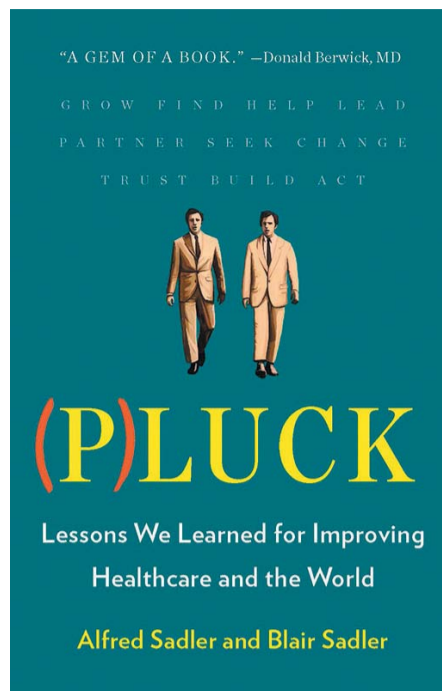
Their opening chapter, “Taking the Road Less Traveled,” is a memoir of the Sadlers’ upbringing in Allentown, Pa., where “our parents created a culture of intellectual curiosity, espoused tolerance for all people regardless of race or beliefs, and promoted service as a way of life,” they wrote.

Both won undergraduate scholarships to Amherst College. They graduated in 1962, a year before President John F. Kennedy implored Amherst students to “take the road less traveled” in service of the greater good. As alumni, the Sadlers embraced his challenge.

The brothers often discussed areas of medicine and law that overlapped — challenges where collaboration was needed, such as the issue of how good Samaritans should be treated if they stopped to render aid at the scene of an accident and the victim did not have a good outcome.

They also became aware of other conundrums in need of attention, such as ethical dilemmas that could arise in areas such as organ donation and transplantation, and the use of human beings in research.

In July 1965, Blair was fresh out of the University of Pennsylvania Law School and Fred was nearing his surgical intern-



Alfred Sadler (right) wrote a book with his twin brother, Blair, based on lessons the two learned while working together to improve the nation’s healthcare systems.

ship when they teamed up to prepare a paper addressing some of those issues.

Fred showed pluck by placing a cold call to a national icon he’d never met — former U.S. Surgeon General Luther Terry, famed for taking on the tobacco industry with his groundbreaking report, “Smoking is Hazardous to Your Health.”

‘This is long overdue’

“We shared our ideas about a medical-legal collaboration, and Terry said, ‘We’ve never had a lawyer in the Health



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Service. This is long overdue.”

At age 26, the Sadlers joined forces for a nine-year collaboration — three years each at the National Institutes of Health, the Yale University School of Medicine, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation — and played a major role in creating and improving important areas of healthcare.

In 1968, they helped write and implement the Uniform Anatomical Gift Act, a law that established the organ donation system for transplantation and medical research. It was adopted by every state within three years and remains in place.

When Dr. Christian Bernard made

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the results can be ambiguous — increased PSA levels may indicate prostate cancer, but they may also result from a prostate that is enlarged or inflamed for other reasons.

Since a false positive test can cause unnecessary worry and stress for the patient, Cannon, like many medical providers, recommends that each man evaluate the need for and frequency of testing individually with his doctor.

Blood tests for diabetes include a fasting blood glucose and A1C tests. As the name implies, you can't eat or drink anything but water for 12 hours before a fasting glucose test. Depending on the results, the doctor may have you repeat it to see if your sugar is consistently high. The A1C test looks at the amount of blood sugar, or glucose, attached to the hemoglobin — the part of your blood that delivers oxygen to the body. Since red blood cells — where hemoglobin is found — live for about 90 days, an A1C test provides a longer term picture of blood sugar levels.

Between the ages of 65 and 75, men

who have smoked — even if they've quit — should have a one-time abdominal aortic aneurysm screening, which is done by ultrasound. It provides information about any unusual enlargement of the abdominal aorta, the largest artery in that part of the body. Male smokers are at a higher risk of having them, and the aneurysms can be fatal if they rupture.

A necessary evil

Colorectal cancer screenings are recommended for men (and women) starting at age 45. Assuming there are no other risk factors like a family history of the disease, those who have a clean colonoscopy — no signs of cancer — don't have to do the test (or the dreaded prep) again for 10 years. Alternatives to a colonoscopy include a fecal immunochemical test (known by its acronym, FIT) and Cologuard, the brand name for a DNA test in which the person collects a stool sample at home and then mails it to a lab.

Cannon noted that colonoscopies are still considered the "most conclusive" of the tests, and that they also allow for interventions, like removing polyps.

Along with other typical conversations your doctor may have with you about blood pressure, weight and so on, Harvard Medical School says that based on your lifestyle (now or in a happily misspent youth), you may be offered screenings for hepatitis B or C, lung cancer and sexually transmitted diseases.

Getting jabbed

Finally, Cannon said you'll want to make sure your vaccines are up-to-date. You should have a tetanus booster — also called a Tdap, for tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis, or whooping cough — every 10 years. You should also follow the CDC guidelines for Covid vaccines based on your age, and have your annual flu immunization when it becomes available in September or early October.

The two-dose shingles vaccine, marketed under its brand name, Shingrix, is for adults 50 and older to prevent the painful, blistering rash. Shingles is caused by the varicella virus, which leads to chickenpox in kids. Even if you don't remember ever having chickenpox, the CDC estimates that 99 percent of people 40 and older

have had it and are therefore susceptible to shingles. The CDC adds that even if you had the old vaccine, Zostavax, or have had shingles, which can recur, you should still have the Shingrix immunization.

People 65 and older should be vaccinated against pneumococcal pneumonia, a bacterial form of pneumonia that becomes more common as people age. The American Lung Association says that the risk of hospitalization from the disease for people 65 or older is 10 times that for someone 18-49 years old.

We suspect that you are reading this article because a woman who cares about you handed it to you — studies show that men often only go to the doctor because a woman in their life urged them to — so why not make her happy and make an appointment for your checkup today?



Dr. Gregory Cannon

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front-page news for performing the first successful heart transplant, the Sadlers were deployed by the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare to serve as two of the agency's spokespeople on the medical-legal aspects of human organ transplants.

They were among the principal movers in developing the physician assistant profession and co-authored the position paper that led to the credentialing of physician assistants and nurse practitioners.

This made it possible for those occupations to become nationwide professions, helping with the expanded demand for

healthcare workers created by the implementation of Medicare and Medicaid in 1966. They coauthored the first book on physician assistants in 1972.

In 1969, they helped found the Hastings Center for Bioethics in Garrison, New York, committed to the ethical treatment of people and patients.

Revamping emergency medicine

In 1970, they moved on to Yale Medical School to study Connecticut's poorly functioning emergency medicine system.

"Emergency medicine was in total disarray nationwide at the time," Fred said. "Ambulances were just station wagons, with no room inside to give treatment.

Drivers and attendants had only a modicum of training. ER doctors and nurses didn't receive any special training."

Their comprehensive study of the state's ambulances and hospitals resulted in a 700-page report for the governor of Connecticut, which included the training of 5,000 EMTs in the state over the next four years and specialized education for ER doctors and nurses. It became a book, "Emergency Medical Care: The Neglected Public Service."

In 1973, the 32-year-old Sadlers were hired to help launch the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, the largest health



Blair and Alfred Sadler, circa 1960, as tennis instructors in Wilmington, Del.

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WARM SUMMER SQUASH SALAD

Chef Brandon Miller, Paella LLC



Chef Bio



CHEF BRANDON Miller is a familiar face to local foodies. Now the proud owner of Paella LLC, a mobile catering operation specializing in his signature Spanish dish, Miller previously helmed kitchens at Carmel's Mundaka (now Pescadero), Stokes Adobe and Alvarado Street Brewery, to name a few. You can often find him doing cooking demos at local farmers markets. In fact, he demonstrated this month's recipe for an appreciative audience at the Natividad Medical Center farmers market in Salinas just last week.

Miller has been working in kitchens for more than 30 years. He started as a kid, cracking crabs at San Francisco's Fisherman's Wharf as a summer job, and at 20 took over the oyster bar at Pacific Heights Bar and Grill. By the time he'd moved on to the city's famous Fog City Diner — first in the pantry and then as sous chef, he said, "I knew this was the natural thing for me to do."

His culinary education included stints in Amsterdam and France, and he said he "ate his way through Italy." In his spare time, Miller makes some mighty tasty home-brewed beer and enjoys spending time with his wife, Marci Bracco, and their French bulldogs.

Cut the ends off the zucchini and julienne using a mandolin or grater. Warm the oil in a sauté pan with the almonds. When the almonds are lightly browned, add the squash and remove from heat. Toss the squash with almonds and oil, season with salt and pepper and place in serving dish. Top with cheese and serve.

ribbons, adds almonds for texture and more flavor, and finishes the whole thing off with a little olive oil, salt, pepper and Parmesan cheese. Make sure you use good quality olive oil and cheese, because their flavors will be prominent. You could easily do this in a pan on the grill alongside some fresh Monterey Bay salmon. Just a thought.

Serves 6 to 8

Ingredients:

1 pound assorted zucchini, washed
1/4 cup sliced natural almonds
1 tablespoon olive oil
2/3 cup Parmesan cheese, shaved
Salt and pepper to taste

IT TURNS out that real men don't just eat their vegetables, they know how to cook them. And recipes don't get much simpler than this gem from longtime local chef Brandon Miller. Inspired by the subtle flavor of fresh green and yellow zucchini from the farmer's market, Miller uses a mandolin or grater to cut them into long

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foundation in the United States, where they helped develop a national system for emergency medical services modeled on the one they created for Connecticut.

For the Sadlers, their nine-year collaboration was intense, rewarding and sometimes overwhelming. In every case, they began as rookies, self-educated, and consulted with experts.

"You don't know anything about it? Begin where you are, and go from rookie to maven," Blair said, echoing one of the 15 lessons from their book.

After practicing primary care internal medicine for nearly 40 years, Fred remains intimately involved with the physician assistant program he helped create at

CSUMB. Later this year, he'll help lead the 50th anniversary celebration of the Physician Assistant Education Association, for which he was the founding president.

Blair served for 26 years as president and CEO of Rady Children's Hospital in San Diego and is a faculty member at UCSD Radio School of Management, teaching a course in leadership and crisis communication. He is also a senior fellow at the Institute for Healthcare Improvement.

For more information about the Sadlers and their story, or to pre-order the book, visit pluckthebook.com. "Our book is about being a catalyst," Fred said. "And if what we've done, and what we've written, could have a catalytic effect on people ... that would give me joy."



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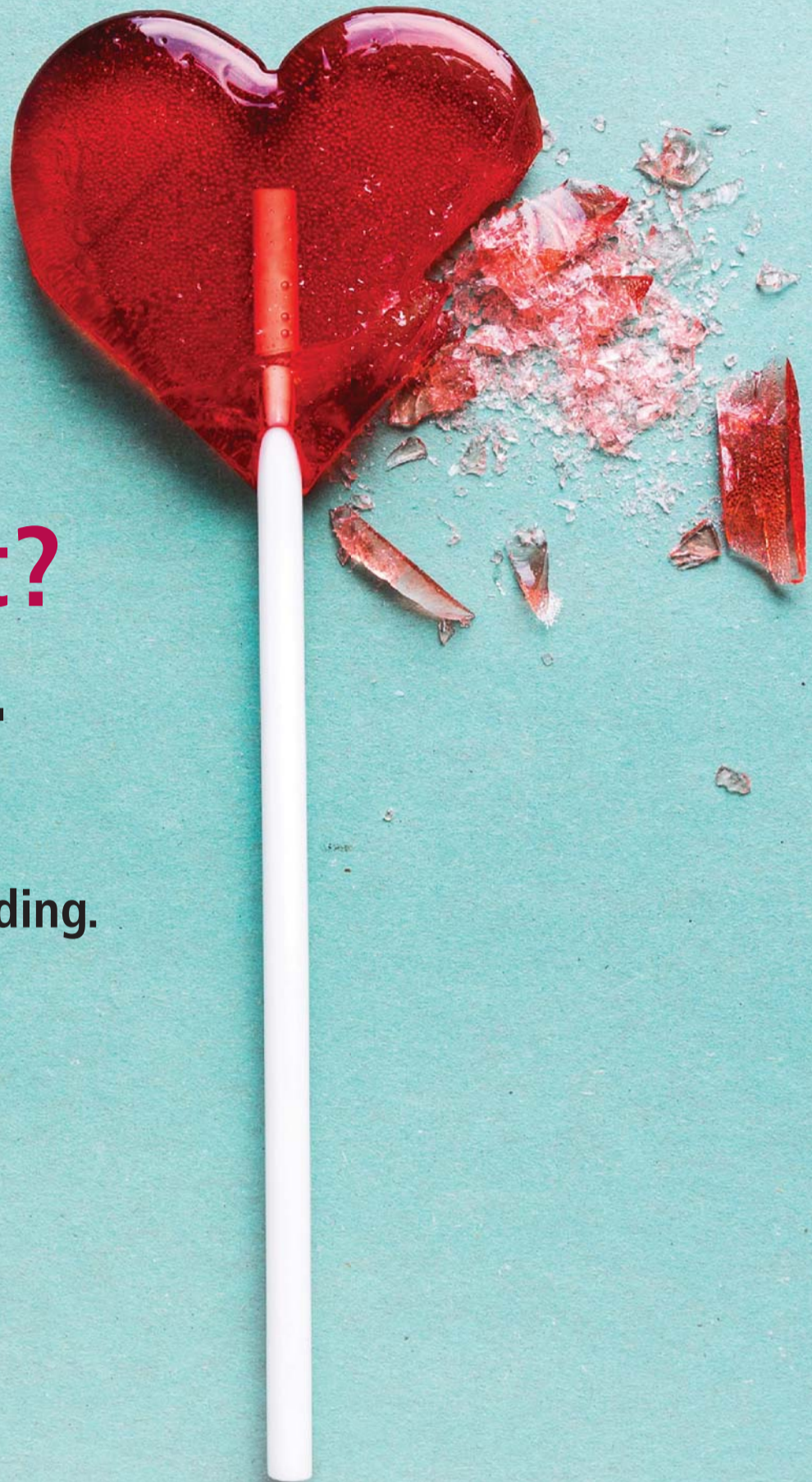


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Cali Roots festival returns to Monterey, West End lineup announced

WITH A roster of performers that's top-heavy on reggae but veers into others genres like r&b and hip-hop, the California Roots Music Festival is back Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Monterey Fairgrounds — for the first time since 2019.

"I can't believe it's been almost three years since the Cali Roots family has come together," event co-producer Dan Sheehan told The Pine Cone. "With the new additions announced and an additional day, this will be the most spe-

On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

cial Cali Roots to date, one that you don't want to miss."

The lineup includes **Rebellion**, **Slightly Stoopid**, **Atmosphere**, **Stick Figure**, **Ice Cube**, **Damian Marley**, **Sean Paul** and **Sublime** with singer and guitarist **Rome Ramirez** — along with many others.

The festival has raised thousands of dollars for charity — this year's recipients include the Surfrider Foundation and the local Esselen Tribe, among others.

The music starts at 11 a.m. each day. Day passes are \$176.44. For more details, visit californiarootsfestival.com

Muldaur to headline street fair

Set for Aug 27-28 in Sand City, the West End Celebration announced its lineup this week, which will be headlined by singer **Maria Muldaur** of "Midnight at the Oasis" fame.

Besides Muldaur, the performers include **Wrockin-foose**, **Meez831**, **The Sun Kings**, **The Chuck Brewer Band**, **Jon Griffin & The Lightfighters** and a trio of talented women who were showcased last Saturday at For-



Singers Chronixx (left) and Nattali Rize (right) perform this weekend at the Monterey Roots Music Festival, which returns to Monterey Fairgrounds for the first year since 2019. The lineup includes Rebellion, Slightly Stoopid, Ice Cube and many others.

est Theater, singers **Cindy Alexander**, **Hayley Jane** and **Katherine Lavin**.

To learn more, visit westendcelebration.com.

Live music May 27-June 2

Bernardus Lodge & Spa in Carmel Valley — pianist **Michael Culver** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Scott Slaughter** (Saturday at noon), singer and pianist **Scott Brown** (jazz and pop, Saturday at 6 p.m.) and guitarist **John Sherry** (folk, rock and blues, Sunday at noon and Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). Lucia Restaurant & Bar at 415 W. Carmel Valley Road.

Big Sur River Inn — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (folk, Saturday at 1 p.m.) and **Along Came Betty** (jazz, Sunday at 1 p.m.). On Highway 1 24 miles south of Carmel.

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

The Coffee Bank — **Mixtape** (pop and rock, Saturday at 7 p.m.) and saxophonist **Roger Eddy** (jazz, Sunday at 11 a.m.). 26135 Carmel Rancho Blvd., Suite B.

Colton Hall in Monterey — **Monterey Pops** presents its annual free Memorial Day concert (Monday at 1 p.m.). 570 Pacific St.

Cuz's Sportsman's Club in Seaside — **Johnny Tsunami & the Shoulder Hoppers** (rock, Friday at 8 p.m.), **The Chuck Brewer Band** (rock and blues, Saturday at 8:30 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Tony Miles** (Sunday at

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FOOD & WINE

Seasonal specials, brewing up fun, and a place for gluten-free goodies

STRAWBERRIES ARE back — you can tell by the line at P&K Farms stand at the Del Monte Center farmers market every Friday. Just as they did (right through the pandemic), every week shoppers stand patiently in one of the longest queues around just to snag some of the sweet berries from the farm near Moss

making the local catch a sought-after commodity for aficionados.

Chef Soerke Peters at Mezzaluna Pasteria and Mozzarella Bar in Pacific Grove is serving Monterey Bay king salmon with malfadine — a pasta that resembles lasagna noodles, but is much narrower. The fish is paired with wild ramps — a spring onion that’s usually foraged during a ridiculously short season — and a white wine and garlic sauce.



(Left) Mezzaluna Pasteria chef Soerke Peters can be found shopping at local farmers markets for ingredients like the basil used in his tomato and mozzarella appetizer. (Right) He also prides himself on knowing the fisherman who catch the restaurant’s Monterey Bay salmon.

Soup to Nuts

By ELAINE HESSER

Landing. They’re also available at the Tuesday market at the Barnyard shopping center and everyone swears they’re worth the wait.

Some local chefs are taking advantage of not only strawberries and other seasonal produce, but fresh salmon from the Monterey Bay. The commercial salmon season began on May 1, but fishing is limited to specific weeks between then and Aug. 12,

Feeling a salad vibe? Swank Farms Early Girl tomatoes are prepared simply, with good olive oil, house-made mozzarella and fresh basil. And for dessert, Peters is using spring strawberries in a sorbetto, as well as a compote that he serves with a vanilla panna cotta.

Wash everything down with one of many wines by the glass, available in 6 or 10 ounce pours. “Take a tour through the world, one glass at a time,” the restaurant suggests. Italian prosecco and some Tuscan offerings are available, along with local favorites like Bernardus sauvignon blanc from the Griva vineyard.

Mezzaluna, at 1188 Forest Ave., is open Wednesday through Sunday from 5 to 9 p.m. Call (831) 372-5325, or visit mezzalunapasteria.com.

Coastal Roots keeps it fresh

Coastal Roots Hospitality, the company behind the Rio Grill, Tarp’s and Montrio, announced seasonal menu updates at two of its restaurants.

New items at Rio Grill include a salad of baby arugula with green apples, asparagus, golden raisins, crispy quinoa tossed

in Meyer lemon vinaigrette, and pickled shallots. The oysters Rockefeller feature an updated twist to the venerable recipe

from Antoine’s in New Orleans, where the dish originated in 1889. Instead of gobs of

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Café Carmel celebrates the glory of eggs with its Benedict.

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butter, parsley and breadcrumbs, executive chef Luis Osorio is baking the shellfish with pickled Swiss chard, asiago cheese and lemon juice.

Or, try Osorio's fun take on moules frites — mussels take a steam bath with leeks and beer before joining chorizo fries on the plate. Follow up the appetizers and salad with an entrée of pan-seared Alaskan halibut, a platter of paella, or a 12-ounce wood-grilled bison steak topped with blue cheese butter and onion marmalade, and served with sweet potato gratin and asparagus.

Tarpy's welcomes longer days with a salad of frisée topped with blood orange and burrata, toasted coriander, lavender-in-

fused honey, crispy basil, and lemon oil.

Then choose from main dishes like Maple Leaf Farms (a darling of foodies) duck breast with serrano pepper corn pudding and sautéed broccolini, pan-seared Alaskan halibut with caramelized spring mushrooms, short rib and wild mushroom ravioli, a pork chop with peach and apricot glaze, a blue cheese and herb croquette with peach and apricot glaze, or foraged mushroom ravioli with wild arugula. For dessert, try the strawberry panna cotta with crunchy cookie streusel topping.

Rio Grill is in the Crossroads shopping center. Call (831) 625-5436 or visit riogrill.com.

Learn more about Tarpy's at tarpys.com or call (831) 647-1444.

Both restaurants are open seven days for lunch and dinner.

■ Obscure, yet delicious holidays

June 3 is National Egg Day, and Café Carmel is ready to crack a lot of them to make hungry diners happy. They're especially excited about their eggs Benedict. The dish was supposedly named in 1894 for Lemuel Benedict, a hungover Wall Street banker, and the café's version comes with thinly sliced ham and pea shoots or arugula, on toasted English muffin halves and served with hollandaise sauce. The café's tempting French toast also uses eggs, and you can find them tucked into chef-owner Sarah Cook's breakfast burritos.

The café celebrates other offbeat holidays, as well. For instance, for National Cheese Day on June 4, there's a gooey panini — a grilled cheese that's been to charm school. Keep the dairy delights front and center with National Ice Cream Day on June 7, when you can buy one scoop of Marianne's chocolate ice cream between 2 and 5 p.m. and get a second scoop free.

Other decadent June observances include National Peanut Butter Cookie



Jordan and Sharque Starr are shown this week putting the finishing touches on their new business, Nece's Gluten Free (GF for short) bakery, near Elroy's in Monterey.

Day on the 12th, when purchasing a half-dozen of the nutty sweets gets you a sev-

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enth one free, and Cupcake Lovers Day on the 13th, when the lucky 13th customer will get a free cupcake.

Café Carmel is on the north side of Ocean Avenue between Mission and San Carlos. It's open daily from 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.; call (831) 624-3870 or visit cafecarmel.com to learn more.

■ Lots of love, no gluten

Nece's Gluten Free bakery (necesglutenfree.com) at 25 Soledad Drive in Monterey is having its grand opening Friday and Saturday. Husband-and-wife owners Jordan and Sharque Starr ("Shark-way, like it's a street name," offered Jordan helpfully) said they will offer treats that are safe for those on gluten-free diets and yummy for those who aren't. "I refuse to eat a bad cookie," said Jordan, who has been a server in local restaurants including the Chart House, Rio Grill and The Bench.

Sharque has been baking professionally for eight years and said she is self-taught "out of necessity," because she has celiac disease (in which gluten damages the digestive system) and she finds her menu choices limited when she's dining out. Initially she thought about making and selling full meals, but Jordan challenged her baking skills by suggesting she come up with a really good cinnamon roll. That took more than a year and a half.

With Jordan as chief taste-tester (he said that he could be "pretty critical"), Sharque developed more goodies and the couple set out to sell them at local farmers markets. They were doing well when the pandemic closed the markets — and shut Jordan out of restaurant work. Fortunately, wholesale orders had begun to come in, fueled solely by word of mouth, Sharque said. They quickly outgrew the limitations of a home kitchen and began looking for a place where Sharque could keep up with the demand.

Worth every hour

Just a few doors down from Elroy's, the cheerful little storefront was getting its final touches on Tuesday, including a shiny new sign announcing Nece's. Pronounced nice-ease, it comes from Sharque's nickname.

If you're going to open up shop that close to the popular bakery, Layers, the food had better be good — and

it is. Chocolate chip cookies are soft and a little chewy, and packed with melty chocolate morsels. The iced sugar cookies and snickerdoodles were also good, but, oh my, that cinnamon roll was worth every hour of the 18 months that went into its development. It would be hard to pick it out of a lineup as a gluten-free option. Full of cinnamon and with just enough icing to set off the flavor, the texture — often a dead giveaway in gluten-free baked goods — is perfect. Sharque said she uses a blend of rice flour, tapioca starch and other ingredients in place of wheat, rye and barley.

The Starrs also sell cold drinks and espresso concoctions like lattes and cappuccinos (cappuccini?). If you're in the neighborhood, stop by and wish them luck.

■ Bearded Bean fuels drivers

The old Carmel Valley Coffee Roasting Company location in Carmel Valley's Mid Valley Shopping Center

is now the home of the Bearded Bean's second location. It opened a few weeks ago and the staff and owners are celebrating with two things everyone around here loves — cars and music. This Saturday, they're inviting auto enthusiasts to grab a cuppa, show off their rides and enjoy music by a live DJ from 8 to 11 a.m.

Their first shop, in Oldtown Salinas, opened in 2019 and has remained quite popular — even though it's one of several places to get caffeinated within just a few busy blocks of the courthouse. Must be all those early rising farmers, prospective jurors and county employees starting the day with a jolt.

The business' name comes from two brews — coffee and craft beer — although the Carmel Valley location is awaiting a permit to sell alcohol. In the meantime, you can grab a latte and pastry to fuel up for whatever the morning brings.

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Plaza puts out call for mural artist, offers prize money and (local) fame

By CHRIS COUNTS

AFTER WATCHING several beautiful murals pop up around town in recent years, the folks at Carmel Plaza want one of their own. To make that happen, they're having a contest for an 8-foot-by-8-foot mural that's open to artists in Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz counties.

"We are excited to bring some unique-

ness to the plaza's walls while supporting local artists and celebrating Carmel-by-the-Sea," Carmel Plaza general manager Kristin Torrice said.

The theme of the piece will be, "What Does Carmel-by-the-Sea mean to you?" Once it's completed, the mural is sure to receive lots of attention.

"The mural will be located at the top of the stairs at the north end of the plaza, between Dutch Door Donuts and Mark Fenwick," according to the shopping center, which is located at Ocean and Junipero. "This is a prime location for an artist's creation to be observed by all plaza visitors."

Judges will narrow the field down to four finalists, and the public will pick the winner, who will receive a \$1,000 award, along with considerable local notoriety.

"This is for the community and for Carmel Plaza visitors to enjoy, so we felt that the final say should

belong to the community," said Jenna Hanson of Carmel Plaza.

■ Jeffers' poetry inspires artist

Also new is "The Fire of Heaven," a show that pairs Robinson Jeffers' poetry with the work of contemporary artist Enrique Martínez Celaya. It opened earlier this month at the Monterey Museum of Art and continues through Oct. 9.

Last year, Celaya did a fellowship at Jeffers' landmark home, Tor House, and has since completed a series of illustrations, paintings and sculpture. The exhibit also includes handwritten poems, notes and photos that belonged to Jeffers and are now in the collection of Occidental College. "Despite existing in different lifetimes, Jeffers' approach to life as art — and his

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Through the end of the month, you can see painter Simon Bull's first plein air show at Meuse Gallery.

MORE FOOD

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■ Paella with a cause

A private home in Carmel will be the scene of an exclusive fundraiser for the national Leukemia and Lymphoma Society on Wednesday evening. Alex Garcia, a Salinas resident who lost his uncle to a form of myeloma in 2020, is one of eight Monterey and Santa Cruz county residents competing for the title, "Visionary of the Year," by attempting to raise the most money for the organization.

Beginning on March 25, the competitors had 10 weeks to solicit donations. Garcia set a personal goal of \$30,000 and said he hopes to get "very close" with this event, which is being hosted by the Lewises of Lewis Builders. Participants will sample wines from Twisted Roots and other local vineyards, paella from chef Brandon Miller's mobile Paella LLC, cheese and charcuterie from Little Luna Cheeseboards and a "sweet treat

table." All participants are donating their time and services for the evening.

Tickets are \$100 per person. To purchase and get all the details, email alex@magonmedia.com or call Garcia directly at (831) 905-2137.



Carmel Café observes Cupcake Lovers Day on June 13 with a freebie for one lucky customer.



Enrique Martínez Celaya, *The Citadel (for R.J.)*, 2020, oil and wax on canvas, 78 x 61 in. Collection of Joel and Randy Schenkman, Miami, FL. Image courtesy of the Artist.

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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.

Deja Blue in Seaside — singer **Rhonda Benin**, pianist **Spencer Allen**, bassist **David Daniel** and drummer **Leon Joyce Jr.** (blues and r&b, Saturday at 3 p.m.) and singer **Simon Russell**, guitarist and saxophonist **Paul Branin** and drummer **Wilson Brooks** (jazz and blues, Sunday at 3 p.m.). 500 Broadway Ave.

Fernwood Resort in Big Sur — **The Carolyn Sills Combo** (swing, Saturday at 9 p.m.). On Highway 1 25 miles south of Carmel.

Folktale Winery in Carmel Valley — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Rory Lynch**, (Friday at 3 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kris Angelis** (Sunday at noon), singer and guitarist **Rob Armenti** (Monday at 3 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Alex Lucero** (Thursday at 3 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

Gusto Pasta and Pizza in Seaside — **Andrea's Fault Duo** (jazz and blues, Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). 1901 Fremont Blvd.



Sony Holland pays tribute to the music of Linda Ronstadt Friday at the Links Club, which is located on the first floor of Carmel Plaza.

Henry Miller Library in Big Sur — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Weyes Blood** (Saturday at 6 p.m.) and Open Mic Night (Thursday at 5 p.m.). On Highway 1 28 miles south of Carmel.

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

Hyatt Regency Monterey Hotel — singer and guitarist **Kip Allert** (Friday at 5 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Zack Freitas** (Saturday at 6 p.m.). 1 Old Golf Course Road.

The Inn at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach — **The Andy Weis Band** with pianist **Gary Meek** and bassist **Peter Lips** (jazz, Friday at 7 p.m.), **The Andy Weis Band** with pianist **Bill Spencer** and bassist **Steve Uccello** (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.

Intercontinental Hotel in Monterey — guitarist **John**

Sherry (folk, rock and blues, Friday and Saturday at 6 p.m.). 750 Cannery Row.

Julia's Vegetarian Restaurant in Pacific Grove — mandolinist **Dave Holodiloff** (bluegrass and jazz, Friday at 7:45 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kevin Smith** (Saturday at 7:45 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Brett Freshour** (Sunday at 7:45 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Zack Freitas** (Monday

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at 7:45 p.m.), keyboardist Michael Martinez (Tuesday at 7:45 p.m.), singer and guitarist Talmon Owens (Wednesday at 7:45 p.m.) and singer and guitarist Rick Chelew ('60s music, Thursday at 7:45 p.m.). 1180 Forest Ave., Suite F.

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 and Eighth.

The Links Club — singer Sony Holland (Linda Ronstadt tribute, Friday at 7:30 p.m.). On the first floor of Carmel Plaza at Mission and Ocean.

The Lodge at Pebble Beach — multi-instrumentalist Gary Regina (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist Casey Wickstrom (rock and blues, Saturday at 6 p.m.) and singer and guitarist Johan Sotelo (Sunday at 6 p.m.). 1700 17 Mile Drive.

Lucy's On Lighthouse in Pacific Grove — The Beach Cowboys (rock and blues, Sunday at 2 p.m.). 1120 Lighthouse Ave., (831) 920-2006.

Massa Tasting Room in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist Rick Chelew ('60s music, Sunday at 2:30 p.m.). 69 W. Carmel Valley Road.

Midici Pizza in Monterey — singer and guitarist Al James and bassist Jesse DeCarlo (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.) and singer Jaqui Hope and keyboardist Bill Spencer (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St.

Mission Ranch — singer and pianist Maddaline 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.

Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa — singer and pianist Scott Brown (jazz and pop, Friday at 6 p.m.), multi-instrumentalist Gary Regina (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.), pianist Joe Indence (jazz, Sunday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist Johan Sotelo (Monday at 6 pm.) and singer and guitarist Steven Shook (Tuesday at 6 p.m.). 400 Cannery Row, (831) 646-1700.

Puma Road at Portola Plaza in Monterey — singer and guitarist Zhjon (Friday at 5 p.m.), Magenta Spreen (pop and rock, Saturday at 5 p.m.) and singer Miranda Perl and guitarist Adam Astrup (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.). 281 Alvarado St.

Rio Grill — Andrea's Fault (jazz and blues, Friday at 3:30 p.m.). Crossroads shopping center.

The Salty Seal Pub in Monterey — Mixtape (pop and rock, Friday at 8 p.m.), singer and guitarist Brad Wilson (rock and blues, Saturday at 8 p.m.) and singer and guitarist Dan Frechette (Thursday at 7 p.m.). 653 Cannery Row.



Reggae artist, singer and ukulele player Vana Liya takes the stage Sunday at the Monterey Roots Music Festival.

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.

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Tarpy's in Monterey — singer and guitarist Kevin Pfeffer (Friday at 5 p.m.), singer and guitarist Johan Sotelo (Saturday and Sunday at noon). 2999 Highway 68.

Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist Brad Wilson (rock and blues, Friday at 6 p.m.) and saxophonist Roger Eddy (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place.

Urban Lounge at the Red Lion Hotel in Monterey — The JJ Hawg Band (rock, Friday at 7 p.m.). 1425 Munras Ave.

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 Lighthouse Ave.

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Police Log: Carmel Area; March 21, 21

A male subject was caught stealing a bottle of vodka from Albertsons at 1410 hours.

A male subject (same subject as in the previous entry) was found passed out on Carmel Rancho Blvd. at 1446 hours.

He was arrested for being drunk in public.

ART

From page 44A

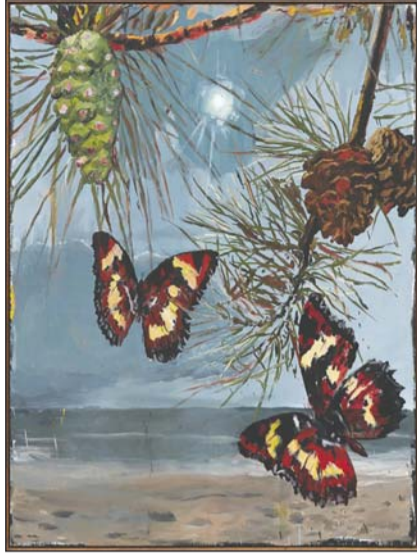
reverence for the natural beauty of the area — inextricably link the two creatives,” a description of the show reads. The museum is located at 559 Pacific St.

■ Bull plein air show

With spring in the air, painter Simon Bull has captured its colors in his latest show, which is on display at his downtown gallery, Meuse, through the end of the month.

Titled “Breath of Plein Air,” the display marks Bull’s first plein air show. While the painter is best known for his studio work, he takes “frequent excursions into nature.” “Simon’s retreats into the landscape have produced a body of sketches, notebooks, and plein air paintings, many of which have never been available to the public until now,” reads a description of the show.

The gallery is located at Ocean and Monte Verde.



A new show pairs the work of Enrique Martínez Celaya with Robinson Jeffers’ poems.

■ Students get \$\$ for college

Six local graduating high school seniors will head off to college with \$2,500 scholarships, including four from Carmel High School — Brooke Miller, Liliana Weisenfeld, Shannon Ikemiya and Campbell Hogan. The scholarships were awarded by the Arts Council for Monterey.

The arts council has long promoted the idea that creativity is an important part of preparing young people for higher education and the challenges of adulthood.

“We are happy to once again support our local youth with these scholarships to help them pursue their education,” arts council executive director Jacquie Atchison said. “Expanding their creative skills leads to innovative thinking — a trait sought by many employers today.”

Other scholarship winners included Josiah Palacio of North Salinas High School and Avery Sergeant of the Learning for Life Charter School in Marina.

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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 Community Planning & Building Department at City Hall located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921, or P.O. Box CC, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921, or by emailing bswanson@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 on the City's website at <http://www.ci.carmel.ca.us> and found by clicking on "Government" and then "Meetings." The Planning Commission meeting will be broadcast live on the City's website at <http://carmel.novusagenda.com/agenda/public/meetings/responsive.aspx> and the City's YouTube Channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAuOellwM1JCdkzD7J86mA> and archived there after the meeting. For more information regarding Planning Commission meetings, please contact the Community Planning & Building Department at (831) 620-2010.

DS 22-135 (Mei)
Jason Mehlinger, General Contractor
Santa Rita Street 2 southwest of 5th Avenue
Block 61, Lot 5
APN 010-038-002
Consideration of an amendment to Design Study approval, DS 19-128 (Mei), for modifications including a change in roof material, site coverage, elevator mechanical room, door/window modifications, and a rear deck modification for a single-family residence under construction on Santa Rita Street 2 southwest of 5th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) District. APN 010-038-002

DS 22-030 (Witt)
Eric Miller Architects, Inc.
Carmelo Street 2 northwest of 9th Avenue
Block U, Lot 15
APN 010-269-005
Consideration of an amendment to Design Study approval, DS 19-043 (Witt), for site modifications including grading in excess of 25 cubic yards and reorganization of floor area for a new 2,412-square-foot single-family residence under construction on Carmelo Street 2 northwest of 9th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) District.

DS 21-435 (MacDonald)
Samuel Pitnick, Architect
Casanova Street 4 southwest of 4th Avenue
Block FF, Lots 25 & 1/2 of 27
APN 010-251-002
Consideration of a Concept Design Study, DS 21-435 (MacDonald), for the remodel and addition that includes a new ADU for a 3,698-square-foot, three-story residence. The project site is located on Casanova Street 4 southwest of 4th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) District.

DS 22-077 (Junipero Investors, LLC)
John Moore, Agent
Junipero Avenue 6 northeast of 8th Avenue
Block 88, Lot 24
APN 010-084-018
Consideration of a Concept Design Study, DS 22-077 (Junipero Investors, LLC), for the demolition of an existing single-family residence and construction of a new 1,755-square-foot, one-story single-family residence including of an attached garage located on Junipero Avenue 6 northeast of 8th Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) District.

DS 21-362 (California Coast, LLC)
Andrew Goodwin, Architect
San Carlos Street 2 southwest of 1st Avenue
Block 10, Lot 3
APN 010-126-017
Consideration of a Concept Design Study, DS 21-362 (California Coast, LLC), for the demolition of an existing 1,315-square-foot, one-story residence with an attached garage, and construction of a new two-story, 1,565-square-foot single-family residence with a 235-square-foot detached garage located in the front setback located on San Carlos Street 2 southwest of 1st Avenue in the Single-Family Residential (R-1) District.

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Location: Citywide
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Wireless Ordinance Workshop
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Brandon Swanson, Community Planning & Building Director

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Rose Welch joined the Carmel Chamber in September 2017 as the Visitor Center Weekend Manager. She enjoys meeting and sharing the beauty and soul of our beloved Carmel with all that visit our area. Rose lived in Big Sur for over 55 years and is always eager to tell stories of the locals and direct tourists to all the magical places in Carmel.

Rose retired in 2014 from 25 years of service and her life's work in Research, Education, and Community with the Institute of Noetic Sciences in Marin/Sonoma Counties. She has had the honor and opportunity to travel the world with five Presidents and its Founder, Capt. Edgar Mitchell, Apollo 14 Astronaut and 6th man to walk on the moon. She has a BA degree in Cultural Anthropology and a Masters in Gerontology. She continues her studies with Native American and African "Masai" cultures, leaning towards the Elders of the tribes. She facilitates a "Conscious Aging Workshop," always trying to learn and educate herself and others as we become elders and wisdom keepers ourselves.

Rose kept a cabin in Big Sur throughout her career in the bay area, always knowing she would spend her retirement years in Big Sur and on the central coast where her soul and heart lives. After spending a year in Bali giving college students a deep immersion into the Balinese culture and another year in Ashland, Oregon, to visit family, she settled in to retire on her beloved coast in 2017.

Before moving to Carmel, she lived on a mountain top in Big Sur on 5 acres in a studio cabin overlooking Palo Colorado canyon and ocean. Now she's proud to call herself a "townie" and enjoys resort living at Hacienda Carmel.



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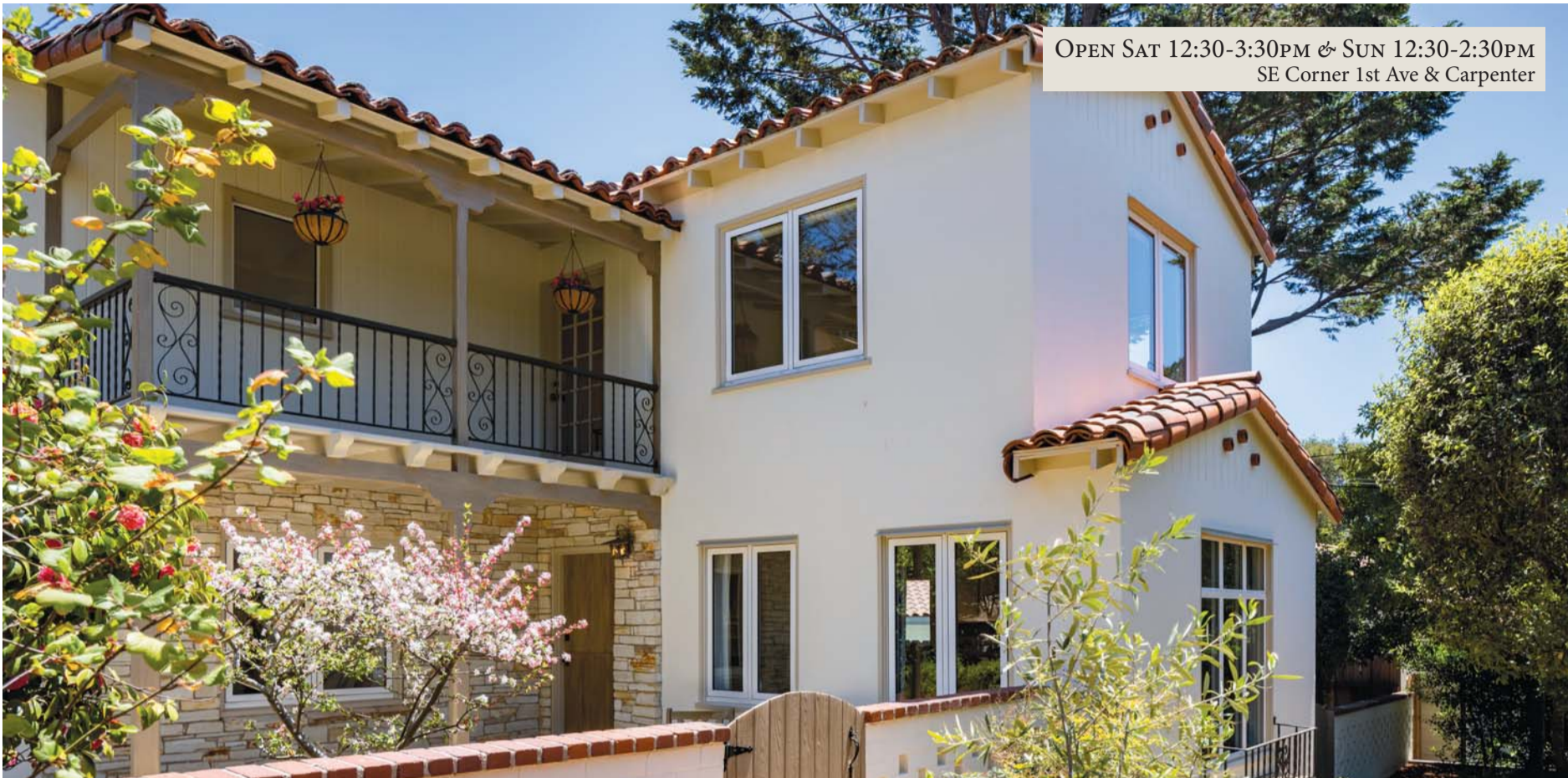


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FROM SANDLOT baseball as a kid to following my favorite teams as an adult, I've honed my enthusiasm for the game. I did not have the same lifelong association with classical music as I did with the summer game, so there was much to learn when I attended my first Bach Festival. My introduction to the festival taught me that there is the same almost-divine complexity to both baseball and classical music.

I was musically challenged, not knowing larghetto from Cookie Lavagetto. The only Wagner I knew was Honus, who played shortstop for the Pittsburgh Pirates. Fortunately, I attended my first concert with someone so musically connected she knew who was on first violin.

Weakest fielder

Right off the bat, I saw the similarities between a classical concert and a baseball game. The configuration of

the instruments was like viewing a baseball diamond from behind home plate. The conductor stood where the batter's box is. There were violas on the pitcher's mound. First and second violins were stretched towards third base. Cellos and double basses were strung out down the first baseline.

Scenic Views

By **JERRY GERVASE**

The infield from third to first was made up of clarinets, bassoons, flutes and oboes. The outfield was a hodgepodge. They stuck the tuba in right field where we used to put our weakest fielder. A variety of horns and percussions went from foul pole to foul pole.

We arrived at the concert before the concertmaster threw out the first pitch, so we heard the musicians warm up. It was similar to the way ballplayers "take some infield"

before the game starts. There was an intensive buzz among the concertgoers, very much like the anticipatory chatter in the stands when the Giants play the Dodgers. We were there to see the players take on Bach, Mozart and Beethoven — a murderers row in any league.

First, the score

Applause filled the hall when a distinguished gentleman, wearing a very formal uniform, virtually sprinted from the wings to take the podium. He was carrying a huge leather-bound book. I was told he was carrying the score, which confused me. How can they know the score before they start playing?

The scorekeeper was the conductor, but honestly, when the music started, this guy was more animated than any third base coach I've seen — and I've seen the best. Not Leo Durocher, Eddie Stanky nor Billy Martin was more in control of the game. When he flashed the "hit" sign with

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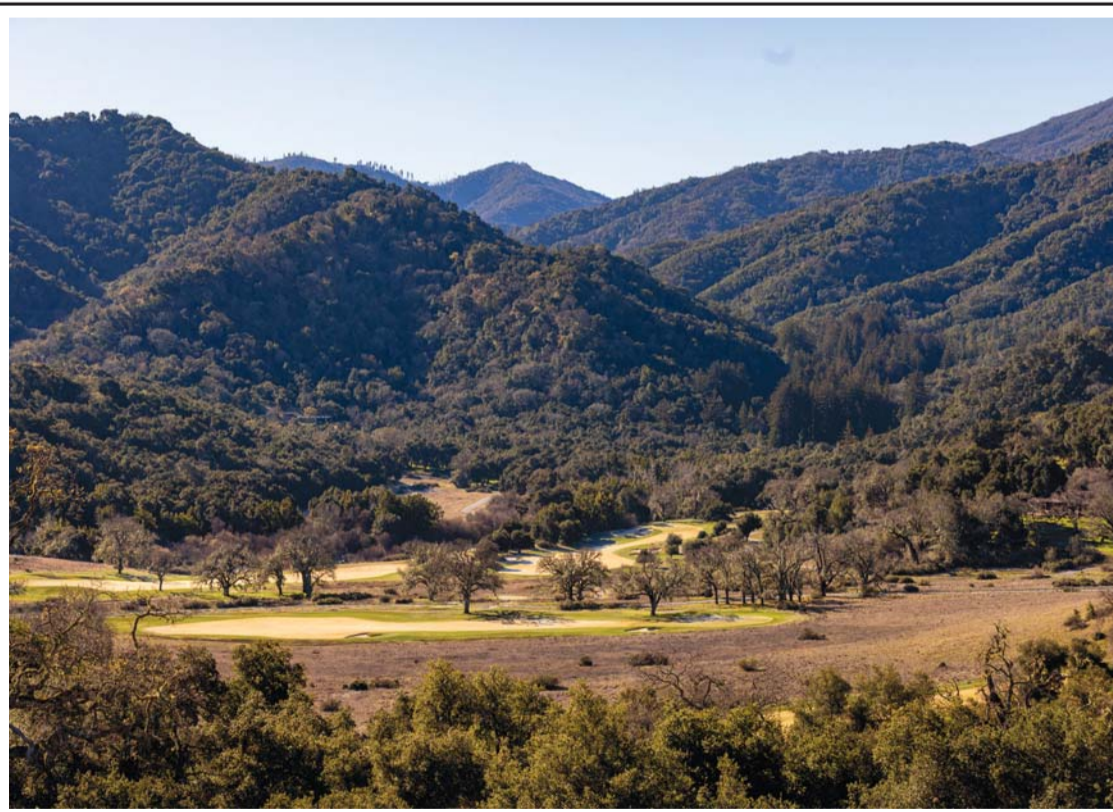
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GERVASE

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his bat — I mean baton — the orchestra literally flew into a piece of music. When he signaled, “take,” they slowed down appropriately. Baseball players are notorious for missing signs. Musicians are more disciplined. No one in the orchestra missed a sign from this conductor.

‘No scratching’

“They’re going into Beethoven’s Seventh,” my friend announced. Seventh? My baseball instincts translated that into the seventh inning stretch. Naturally I stood up, yawned and stretched. She almost broke her arm pulling me back into my seat.

Aside from that glitch in protocol, the concert was a pleasant experience. If I had my druthers, I would like to see concerts adopt some of baseball’s features. Baseball could learn from concerts.

The program listed the names of the musicians, but identifying numbers on their backs would help. I’d have liked to know the name of the blonde who was putting some serious hurt to a violin. She would never play second fiddle on my team.

Vendors in the aisles would have been a good addition. A cold beer during one of those *allegro ma non troppo*s would have been refreshing. Baseball needs someone like the conductor to keep things moving along at *allegro*.

It must take a mouthful of saliva to blast notes out of those horns, but not once did I see a member of the brass section spit like ball players. And they probably don’t wear cups, so there was no scratching!

For summer events, though, the prize in your box of Crackerjack is the Friends of Harrison Memorial Library book sale, which takes place a month earlier than usual on July 7th, 8th and 9th, at the Carmel Youth Center. It is important to know that the last day for donating books for this worthy event is June 7 at the collection site behind Sunset Center.

At the sale you’ll find books on classical music and books on baseball. Maybe you’ll find a book comparing the rivalry between Mozart and Salieri to the one between the Red Sox and the Yankees. Maybe in on of these books you’ll discover trivia such as the first recording of “Take Me Out to the Ballgame” was by the Haydn Quartet in 1908.

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 17-year-old juvenile was reported and observed smoking marijuana in public at Mission and Second.

Contacted and found in possession of an illegal weapon. He was issued a citation and released to an adult.

Pacific Grove: Suspicious circumstances on Fourth Street regarding threats.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Victim reported grand theft on Ocean Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Non-injury collision on Central Avenue.

Pacific Grove: A found firearms safety certificate was turned in to the police department.

Carmel area: Shoplifting reported at a supermarket at the Crossroads.

Carmel area: An 18-year-old male student assaulted another student, a 17-year-old male, at Carmel High School.

Big Sur: Report of an airplane flying low in the area of Nacimiento-Fergusson Road.

Carmel area: A pair of gold earrings were delivered by FedEx and signed for by someone other than the owner.

Pebble Beach: Report of a burglary at a construction site on Rodeo Road.

Big Sur: Fence cut on victim's property on Pfeiffer Ridge.

THURSDAY, MAY 12

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject on Casanova was placed on a 5150 W&I hold due to

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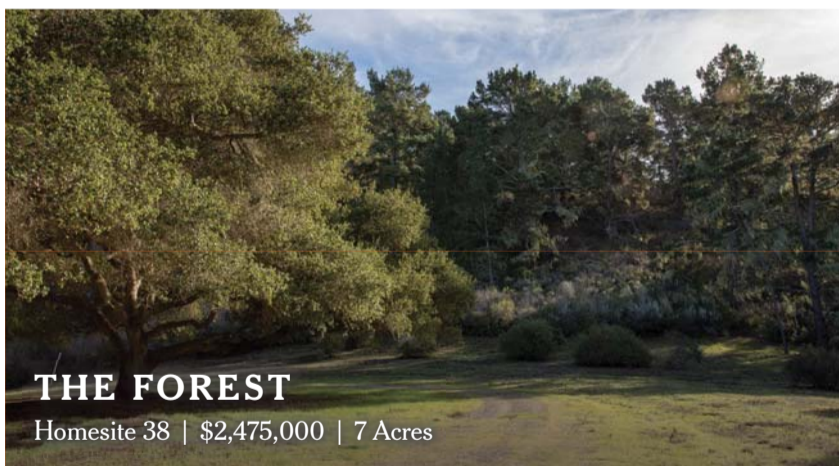
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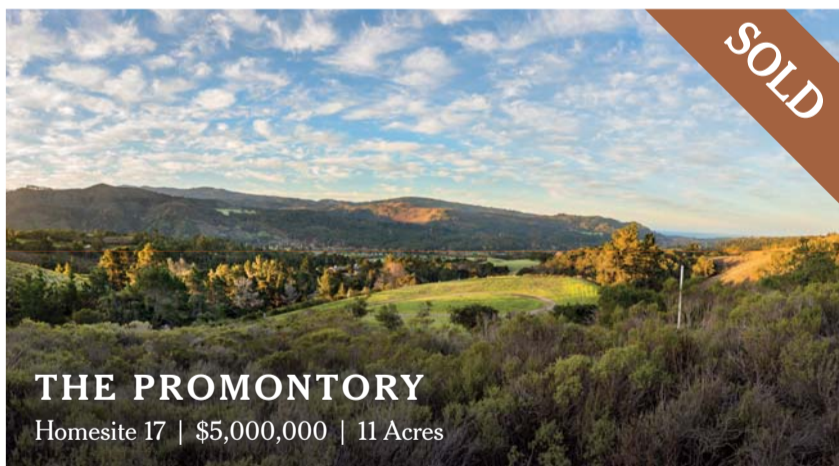
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trilled substance and possession of unlawful paraphernalia.

Pacific Grove: Burglary at a business on Sunset Drive.

Pacific Grove: Dumpster fire on Lighthouse.

Pacific Grove: Verbal dispute amongst family members on 10th Street.

Carmel area: Report of a residential burglary on Flanders Drive.

Carmel Valley: A 25-year-old male on Carmel Valley Road was threatened and assaulted over a girl. Suspect is a 30-year-old male.

FRIDAY, MAY 13

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Reported battery at Ocean and Monte Verde at 0739 hours. The 39-year-old male was cited and released.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle towed from Del Mar for expired registration.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Investigated possible shoplifting on Ocean Avenue.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found cell phone in the men's restroom at First Murphy Park was brought to CPD for safekeeping. Phone was booked in evidence locker pending contact with an owner. Unable to locate the owner due to the phone being locked.

Pacific Grove: Injury collision on Forest Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle repossessed from a residence on 16th Street.

Carmel area: A 47-year-old female was arrested on Valley Way for domestic violence against a 55-year-old male.

Carmel Valley: Child neglect was reported on Ford Road.

Carmel area: Report of a suspicious white van on Mesa Drive following a student.

SATURDAY, MAY 14

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Restaurant manager on Mission Street reported dine and dash. The suspect was contacted and returned to pay the tab. The manager requested no prosecution.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Couple involved in a heated verbal domestic in a hotel. Contact was made with all involved parties and after a full investigation was conducted, it was found to be a verbal altercation between boyfriend and girlfriend. There were no signs of

any physical altercation.

Pacific Grove: Suspicious circumstances on Forest Avenue.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to Calle de la Ventana for a report of a verbal domestic.

SUNDAY, MAY 15

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Adult male at San Carlos and Ocean was assaulted with an orange by an unknown suspect at 0131 hours. No suspect info.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a hit-and-run on Torres Street.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic stop at Eighth and Casanova at 2313 hours for CVC violation. The 45-year-old male driver was arrested for DUI.

Pacific Grove: Dispatched to investigate damaged city property on Ocean Avenue.

Pacific Grove: A purse was recovered by patrol officer from George Washington Park.

Pacific Grove: A 44-year-old male subject was arrested on Lighthouse Avenue at 1707 hours for public intoxication and vehicle tampering. He was booked into Monterey County Jail.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a possible burglary in progress at a Calle de la

Ventana residence.

MONDAY, MAY 16

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a non-injury accident on Ocean Avenue.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a parked vehicle with loud music on Scenic at 1948 hours. The registered owner of the vehicle was contacted, and he refused to identify himself. He also obstructed, delayed the investigation and resisted arrest. The 21-year-old male Castroville resident was transported to county jail.

Pacific Grove: Abandoned vehicle towed from Bayview.

Carmel Valley: A female on Country Club Drive was placed on a 5150 W&I hold [danger to self or others].

Pacific Grove: Juvenile issue on David Avenue.

Pacific Grove: A warning citation was issued for a barking dog on Monarch Lane. Municipal code violation notices have been previously delivered to the address.

Pacific Grove: During traffic stop for moving violation, driver informed police they had been assaulted by their girlfriend in another jurisdiction. This report will be forwarded to appropriate agency.

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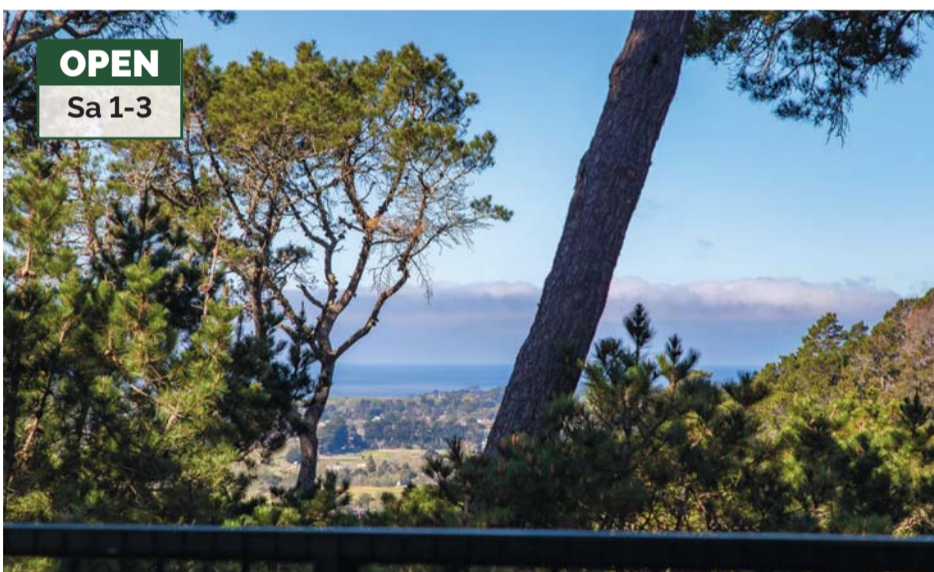
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in total sales 2021

1,800+
happy clients

10 Dedicated
team members

38+ Years
of local experience