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## Snyder honors husband with L.A. police memorial

By CHRIS COUNTS

THANKS TO the generosity of longtime Carmel resident Flo Snyder Speck, who wanted to honor her late husband, a new Los Angeles Police Memorial was dedicated

by the city's mayor, Eric Garcetti, in a ceremony last month.

Snyder, who attended the ceremony May 4, donated \$546,000 to rebuild the memorial, which is a wall listing the names of 238 Los Angeles police officers killed in the line of duty since 1886.

The previous memorial had fallen into disrepair and had become somewhat of an embarrassment. But efforts to raise enough money to fix it were unsuccessful until Snyder came along.

### 'Falling apart'

Snyder's husband, Dale Speck, died in 2018. A career policeman, Speck served the public in many roles, including deputy attorney general for the State of California. Snyder wanted to do something special to honor him.

"After he died, I called one of the captains who worked under him and asked if he had any ideas how I could honor my husband," Snyder told The Pine Cone. "He said, 'Flo, there's a memorial dedicated to fallen officers, and it's an absolute disgrace — it's falling apart.'"

Snyder went to see the wall for herself.

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PHOTO/COURTESY FLO SNYDER

Carmel resident Flo Snyder with Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti and Police Chief Michel Moore at the dedication of the new memorial to the city's officers killed on duty.

## P.G. says it had good reasons to fire police officer

By KELLY NIX

THE CITY of Pacific Grove has responded to a federal lawsuit filed by a former officer against the police chief and city manager early this year claiming he was wrongly fired for expressing his personal political views on a social media website.

Former PGPD officer Michael Gonzalez, 31, filed suit in February accusing P.G. Police Chief Cathy Madalone and city manager Ben Harvey of retaliation when they fired him on Jan. 12, 2021, for anonymously posting a meme that said "F\*\*k Black Lives Matter" and "Free Kyle Rittenhouse" on the social media website Parler.

Gonzalez, a third-generation Mexican American, maintains he was exercising his First Amendment rights to free speech when he made the statements in November 2020. Gonzalez's account made no reference to the city or his job, and he believes he should not have been fired.

### Denies allegations

"There is no dispute that Mr. Gonzalez was fired solely and expressly for his private, off-duty political speech," according to the complaint by the former officer, who was named PGPD's Officer of the Year in 2017 and earned the department's lifesaving award. He's seeking more than \$1 million in damages.

In an 18-page document filed May 27 in federal court in San Jose, Pacific Grove's attorneys, Michael Christian and Michael Hsueh of the Sacramento law firm Jackson Lewis, responded to Gonzalez's claim

In their response, the city admits that Harvey and Madalone fired Gonzalez for criticizing Black Lives Matter, but it denies that the officer's comment about Rittenhouse — the man acquitted of murdering two people during summer 2020 riots in Kenosha, Wis. — played a part in the decision.

The city also suggests Harvey and Madalone had reasons besides the online posts for firing Gonzalez.

"Defendants deny that Gonzalez's termination was based on his social media post 'Free Kyle Rittenhouse' or that his termination was based solely on his social media post," according to the city.

The city denies Gonzalez's claim of having a "clean disciplinary record" when he was fired, but does not elaborate.

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## City puts kibosh on Christian Science parking plan

By MARY SCHLEY

RESIDENTS AND public officials might agree downtown is often short on parking, but that doesn't mean the First Church of Christ Scientist on Lincoln Street can charge the public to park in its vast, underused lot.

Last month, orange "Public Parking" signs appeared on the three streetside pillars in front of the lot, along with signs throughout the lot telling parkers how to pay for their spots using the Air Garage app.

But no one from the church asked the city for permission to operate a paid parking lot, according to planning director Brandon Swanson. The first he learned of the operation was when a resident sent him photos of the signs.

"Not allowed," he concluded, after reading the rules for

single-family-residential zoning, which is what the church property is.

"The zoning district still does not allow commercial parking," Swanson said May 21. "We have made contact, and they will be ceasing."

But the Christian Science paid parking was still operating this week, and on Wednesday, code enforcement officer Bo Grunde posted notices ordering the church to take down all the signs by Friday.

### Short deadline

The notice of violation lists "Posting of exterior business signs without permit. Operation of an unpermitted use (commercial parking)." Specifically, the church is required to "remove exterior business signage" and "discontinue use of a commercial parking lot." He gave the organization until June 3 to comply.

The paid parking was the latest effort by the Christian

See PARKING page 14A

## Prison time after man's sixth DUI conviction

By KELLY NIX

A MONTEREY County man who has been convicted of drunk driving six times — yet is only in his 20s — has been sentenced to prison after his most recent arrest in April, according to county prosecutors.

Monterey County Superior Court Judge Mark Hood sentenced Ulises Rodriguez Santillan, 28, of Salinas to two years in state prison after he pleaded guilty to felony driving under the influence and admitting to a prior felony drunk-driving conviction. Santillan was arrested and charged after he crashed his vehicle into a parked car on Bellehaven Street in Salinas on April 16 at about 7:20 p.m.

### Repeat offender

Santillan — who that night had a blood alcohol level of .26 percent, more than three times the legal limit — has been convicted of DUI five previous times, in 2020, 2019, 2017, 2016 and 2015. Monterey County Deputy District Attorney Matthew Johnson said while a sixth DUI conviction is not a record for the county, it's particularly high for someone Santillan's age.

See DUIs page 14A

## Chihuahua survives mystery animal attack

By CHRIS COUNTS

A SMALL dog that lives in Carmel Valley is on the mend after surviving a scary encounter with an unidentified wild animal last week.

A 10-year-old Chihuahua, Sal shares a yard with a 1-year-old Scottish Terrier named Scottie. But when someone accidentally left the gate open May 25, the pair "went out on an adventure."

Their owner, Monterey County Planning Commissioner Kate Daniels, told The Pine Cone that when she returned from a brief errand, she saw Scottie on her back deck, but there was no trace of Sal.

She and others searched for him and put out word on social media that he was missing. Unfortunately, nothing turned up.

### The search goes on

"We walked in both directions on trails from our house last night, drove around for signs of him having been hit by a car, and looked for any evidence that an animal may have gotten him," she posted the next morning.

Daniels also spent that morning scouring the neighborhood in search of Sal.

Around noon May 26 — just as Daniels was getting started on a Zoom meeting with county supervisor Mary Adams and others — her friend Heidi McGurrian stopped

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# Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

## Mutual attraction

HE HAS the soft gray coat and charcoal-rimmed racoon eyes of an early Maurice Sendak character. Sort of a "Where the Wild Things Are" meets "Little Bear's Visit." Although part poodle and part Australian sheepdog, depending on his grooming he can be mistaken for a purebred poodle.

He's not, but "he has poodle intelligence," his person said. "He seems to know things. He can't express them, but he has a tremendous amount of depth in his eyes."

Tobias Oliver, Toby for short, was just 10 weeks old when he came home in 2017, just in time for Christmas. His person had known, the minute she saw him, that he was hers and she was his.

"We were out, having a glass of wine on an early December evening," she said, "when a woman walked in with the most amazing, distinctive-looking dog, and I implored her to tell me about her year-old Aussiedoodle."

The very next day, she called the breeder, who had just one puppy available, perfect except for his crooked ears. Perfect.

"When she put that puppy in my arms, I just melted," his person said, "It's been a mutual love affair ever



since."

Toby lives high atop Tierra Grande with his couple, who drive him down the hill for his walks across the unofficial dog lawn at Quail Lodge, at Palo Corona, or down Carmel Beach.

"Toby's Mr. Sociable, running up to greet everyone, and dropping his ball at their feet, hoping they'll pick it up and play fetch. He's super playful around adults and other dogs and is gentle with children," his person said.

But his best friends just might be Joey and Jett, a pair of black rescue cats who came from the streets of Salinas to Animal Friends Rescue Project, where his person claimed them as her own. More accurately, Toby did.

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# CELL TOWER RULES BACK ON AGENDA

## ■ ‘Citizen draft’ of potential law to be discussed, too

By MARY SCHLEY

THE PLANNING commission on June 8 will seek feedback on how to regulate the installation of cell towers in the city — a discussion that will include a lengthy proposed ordinance produced by the Stop Cell Towers in Carmel Neighborhoods group, according to planning director Brandon Swanson.

The workshop will focus on “design elements that need to be addressed in the city’s wireless ordinance update.”

Swanson clarified that no drafts of the future law have been released by the city.

“There is an ordinance that is floating around out there. It was not crafted by the city,” he said. Instead, the citizens group

that vocally and vehemently opposed Verizon’s efforts to install a new tower on a power pole at Carmelo and Eighth last year hired an attorney to write up what they think the law should be, according to Swanson.

### Specific questions

In February, the city council and the planning commission held a joint meeting on how to bring the town’s outdated wireless ordinances into compliance with federal and state law, and the council decided planning commissioners should tackle the specific topics that fall under their purview, such as design, aesthetics, visual impacts, concealment, installation on private and public property, and zoning code compliance, before the lawyers take over.

“We’re asking them some very specific

See **TOWER** page 21A

# DA’s office seeks felony charge against passenger in fatal DUI wreck

## ■ Same man initially arrested as driver but exonerated by DNA

By MARY SCHLEY

THE MAN suspected of causing a fatal DUI wreck in Salinas in 2019 is dead — killed by a hit-and-run driver in the desert outside Laughlin, Nev., in March, according to authorities there. Now, Monterey County District Attorney Jeannine Pacioni wants to arrest the Carmel Valley resident who was the passenger in the deadly DUI, because he owned the car and failed to respond the way he should have after the crash. A judge issued a warrant Wednesday.

That marks the latest bizarre twist in the

story of Jacques Clarke, 21, who was initially arrested as the driver in the crash that killed 38-year-old Salinas resident Rosie Ann Figueroa but exonerated a year later after DNA evidence strongly suggested he hadn’t, in fact, been behind the wheel.

On Dec. 20, 2019, at 11:30 p.m., California Highway Patrol officers responded to reports of a major collision at the corner of Davis Road and West Acacia Street in Salinas and arrived to find a crushed Mazda 6 in the road and a Toyota Camry that had smashed through a fence and overturned. Based on the evidence, officers concluded the Mazda driver had been speeding and rear-ended the car driven by Figueroa, who died of multiple blunt force trauma within

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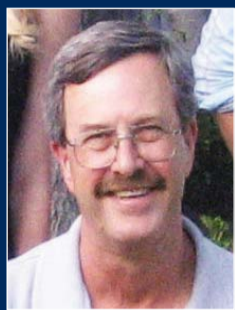


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## Police & Sheriff's Log

### She didn't know she wasn't home

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.

**TUESDAY, MAY 17**

**Big Sur:** Subject on Highway 1 reported lost property.

**Carmel area:** A 41-year-old male was issued a citation for trespassing at the Crossroads.

**Carmel Valley:** Deputies responded to a report of a verbal domestic dispute on West Carmel Valley Road.

**Pebble Beach:** A male juvenile on Colton was placed on a mental health evaluation hold.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of theft on Monte Verde.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Male reported his intoxicated girlfriend missing. She was later located. Info report only.

**Pacific Grove:** Subject passed out behind the wheel of a running vehicle stopped in the roadway on Laurel at 0051 hours. The 19-year-old female subject was determined to have been driving under the influence of drugs. Cited and released to a responsible adult.

**Pacific Grove:** Coroner case. Dead body

found at a residence on Funston.

**Pacific Grove:** A bicycle found in Rip Van Winkle Park was stored for safekeeping. Owner info is not known.

**Carmel area:** Online report of suspicious circumstances on Rio Road.

**Carmel Valley:** Online report of stolen property on Scarlett Road.

**Carmel area:** Male reported he was molested 20 years ago, when he was 13 years old.

**Pebble Beach:** A residential burglary was reported on Congress Road.

**Pacific Grove:** Found golf bag with clubs on Ocean View Boulevard. Booked for safekeeping.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 18**

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Four vehicles towed from various streets, including Dolores, Junipero and Ocean for expired registration over six months.

**Pacific Grove:** Citation issued for a municipal code violation for a barking dog on Monarch Lane.

**Pacific Grove:** Arson reported on Carmel Avenue.

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



## The gavel falls

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

**May 18** — The Honorable Pamela L. Butler sentenced Ivan Gomez, 31, to 24 years in state prison. Gomez had previously been found guilty of the arson known as the Dolan Fire, which seriously injured a firefighter and destroyed multiple residences. He was also found guilty throwing rocks at a vehicle, cultivating marijuana, and 12 counts of cruelty to animals for killing multiple condors that perished in the fire. In total, he was found guilty of 16 felony counts.

Butler sentenced him to the upper term of nine years for the arson causing serious injury to a firefighter and an additional five-year enhancement for destroying 14 structures, including residences. She also sentenced him consecutively for each of the additional charges, of which he was found guilty, for a total of 24 years.

At the defendant's trial the evidence established that on Aug. 18, 2020, at approximately 8:15 p.m. California State Parks and Recreation officers observed a fire cresting the ridgeline known as "top of the world" in Los Padres National Forest. At approximately the same time, officers were dispatched to a man throwing rocks at vehicles on Highway 1 and the Lime Creek Bridge. When officers contacted this man, later identified as Ivan Gomez, he stated he had started the fire at an illegal marijuana grow on the other side of the ridge and killed five men.

The U.S. Forest Service Region 5 Wildland Fire Investigation Team conducted a multi-week investigation that confirmed that the fire originated at the illegal marijuana grow site. This evidence proved essential. Gomez correctly identified the origin area, which was corroborated by the People's fire investigators and confirmed by the defense's expert. The evidence showed that Gomez would have had time to start the fire, which was calculated to start around 5 p.m., and make it to the Lime Creek area where he was confronted at 8:15 p.m. Firefighters testified that no other individuals were found in this area and that Gomez was shirtless, sweating and found with multiple lighters on his person when contacted by law enforcement. The lighters found on him were in working order and matched others found at the origin point. In a three-hour-plus long interview with detectives from the Monterey County Sheriff's Office, Gomez admitted he started the fire numerous times.

The Dolan fire burned 124,924 acres and was contained Dec. 31, 2020. The estimated cost of fighting the Dolan fire was approximately \$62,904,000. Several firefighters were injured fighting the Dolan fire, including a fire captain from the Nacimiento station who sustained serious injuries. The Dolan fire destroyed 14

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# Inn employee accused of stealing

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

A 34-YEAR-OLD Monterey man who got a job a few weeks ago at the Pine Inn is unemployed again, having been arrested May 21 for stealing.

Richard Chronister started working at the inn, Carmel Police Cmdr. Jeff Watkins said, and "all of a sudden, things started going missing."

A visitor who came into town for a wedding locked his hotel room and hung the privacy sign on the door, and when he returned, he went straight to bed, according to Watkins, and therefore didn't see the fraud alerts popping up on his phone until the next morning.

### Owner alerted

"He got text messages about suspicious activity on his credit cards," Watkins said. "He realized his wallet was missing, and \$960 in cash in an envelope."



Richard Chronister

The thief tried to use the victim's credit cards at Thinker Toys and Nielsen Bros. Market, and the stores provided video footage of the culprit to police.

"He was wearing a Pine Inn shirt," he said, so officers asked hotel officials if they recognized him. "They said, 'That's Richard. We hired him a couple weeks ago.'"

Chronister now has two felony cases pending against him, one from January and the current case, according to Monterey County Superior Court records. He remained in county jail this week on \$100,000 bail for second-degree

burglary and on \$10,000 bail for embezzlement, the charge in the January filing.

He failed to appear in court on that case Feb. 25, prompting a judge to issue a warrant for his arrest.

# Charges filed in knife shop burglary

By MARY SCHLEY

BRYAN KRINGEN, the 35-year-old homeless man from Aptos accused of using a hatchet to smash the window in Carmel Cutlery and stealing several knives in April, has finally been charged with the crime, the Monterey County District Attorney's Office confirmed Thursday.

A judge also issued arrest warrants for Kringen in four other misdemeanor cases involving theft, evading officers and possession of drug paraphernalia, and he failed to appear for a May 24 court hearing in one of those cases.

Thanks to clear surveillance video and the city's traffic cameras, police identified Kringen as their suspect in the April 14 break-in less than an hour after the alarm sounded at Stephen Owen's shop shortly before 6 a.m.

### Medical issue

Officers alerted authorities in the Santa Cruz area, and the following Monday, they found Kringen, took him into custody, turned him over to Carmel P.D. and towed his car, which he'd driven away from the

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## Carjacker sanity hearing delayed

By MARY SCHLEY

A JUDGE'S review of Kevin Peck's mental state was delayed from last week to mid-June because Peck, who is accused of squatting in a Carmel Highlands home, stealing and totaling the owner's expensive car and carjacking a Marina Fire chief's department SUV, couldn't make the May 24 hearing.

"Apparently Mr. Peck had to see his counselor," Douglas Bergeron, the owner of the upscale Otter Cove vacation home and 2007 Aston Martin DB9 Peck is accused of ransacking and stealing, told The Pine Cone this week. "Baloney."

Bergeron's daughter and son-in-law, along with the housekeeper, discovered Peck at Bergeron's home early one April morning — not knowing at the time that

he'd stolen and crashed the high-end sports car — and called the sheriff's department, which sent deputies to arrest him. Peck had also hidden the Marina Fire SUV at the house.

### Illness drove behavior?

He remained in Monterey County Jail on \$150,000 bail this week, but Monterey County Superior Court Judge Rafael Vazquez is set to consider temporarily or permanently suspending criminal proceedings against him if there's significant evidence he is mentally ill, that the illness drove his criminal behavior, and that he will be receptive to treatment. A relatively new state law allows defendants to request diversion to mental health treatment rather

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## Peeping camera found in restroom

By MARY SCHLEY

A CLEANER found a tiny spy camera recording people using one of the public restrooms at Scenic and Santa Lucia May 21, according to Carmel Police Cmdr. Jeff Watkins, and police retrieved the creepy device before whoever set it up could see what was on it.

"Our cleaning company found a camera on the trashcan again," Watkins said this week. "So they collected it and brought it to the station."

A similar device was found in the same beach bathroom last July but also retrieved before the would-be peeping tom could watch any footage.

### Man in a mask

The woman in charge of tidying up the restrooms May 21 had been there earlier and found it fairly clean, so she returned later in the day to do the work and "saw the

garbage can had been moved and thought that was weird," Watkins said. "She moved it and felt the camera. She pulled it off and brought it to the station."

The little black rectangular device didn't yield many clues, other than footage of a man with a mask on who seemed to be affixing it to the garbage bin.

"It looks like it started recording while he put it on there," he said. "We weren't able to identify anybody, and it didn't look like anyone was waiting nearby to watch it or collect it."

The camera's SD card did record videos of a few people as they used the facilities, and Watkins said the device doesn't appear to have any way to transmit images.

"We're in a strange time with all of these wireless cameras that you can put anywhere the heck you want," he said. "But our cleaning crew is very good at looking for stuff like that, and when they find it, they're good at bringing it to us."



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# County's Covid cases on rise, but hospitalizations remain low

By KELLY NIX

MONTEREY COUNTY is still seeing a slow increase in Covid-19 cases, but the number of those hospitalized for the disease remains low.

The county health department Thursday reported the seven-day test positivity rate increased to 8.2 percent from 5.1 percent the week before, and there was a slight uptick in the seven-day average case rate per 100,000 people. The hospitalization rate, which was 20 Monday, fell to 16 Thursday.

Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula has seen a steady number of Covid-19 patients in the past month, and on Thursday reported it had nine patients in the hospital being treated for the disease, including one in the intensive care unit.

"The good news is that this variant does not seem to be increasing hospitalization rates more than the last variant," hospital spokeswoman Monica Sciuto told The Pine Cone.

"We are well prepared for these Covid patients and would be ready to scale up our operations should hospitalizations increase in the coming weeks or months," she said.

According to a May 27 article in the Wall Street Journal, Covid-19 deaths are hovering near the lowest levels since the pandemic took off. The Journal article contends that people who have strengthened immune systems, whether from vaccination or previous infection, are less at risk of suffering serious illness, "even as a wave of infections flows through the country."

## Vulnerable

According to the CDC, 58 percent of Americans have "antibodies against the pathogen" that causes Covid because they've already been infected, while millions more have been vaccinated.

"The nearly 300 deaths reported daily are more concentrated among older people, underscoring the hazards for the more vulnerable while the overall population appears less at risk," according to the WSJ article written by Jon Kamp and Brianna Abbott.

For more information on Covid-19 vaccination and testing sites, go to [montage-health.org/covid](http://montage-health.org/covid).

## Polling places offer early voting

AN EARLY voting location at Embassy Suites in Seaside is open, the Monterey County Elections Office said this week.

Embassy Suites, 1441 Canyon Del Rey Blvd., will be open for special weekend hours from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, June 4, and Sunday, June 5. The county elections office, at 1441 Schilling Place, will also be open for early voting those same days and hours.

And on election day June 7, both locations and Monterey County polling places will be open for voting from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

A pop-up voting location will be available Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3p.m. at the Big Sur Library, Highway 1 (at Ripplewood Resort), in Big Sur.

Voters can vote in-person, return their mail-in ballot, or update their voter information at both early vote locations. Conditional voter registration is available at all voting locations for those who missed the deadline to register to vote. For more information, visit [montereycountyelectionsoffice.us](http://montereycountyelectionsoffice.us) or call (831) 796-1499.

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# P.G. senior graduates — twice

By SALLY BAHO

FOR THE first summer since starting high school, Pacific Grove High School graduating senior Karlee Kelly — who will enter UC Davis in the fall as a junior — plans to get a job. Every previous summer, she has taken courses at MPC and Hartnell, filling her time and her transcript.

Many teenagers don't know it's even possible to start going to college while they're still in high school, but Kelly's two older brothers did it, and she's taken it to the next level. Kelly is the first P.G. High student to graduate with a high school diploma, two AA degrees (in social and natural sciences), and an IGETC certificate. The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum is a series of courses that California community college students can take to satisfy basic college-level course requirements before transferring to a school in the UC or CSU system, so

entering freshmen can immediately start taking upper-level, major-specific classes at the campus they transfer to.

When Kelly started with college classes, she was too young to drive, but her very supportive parents took care of that. She often arrived at class before her professors in the morning, "which was different from high school where your teachers are always there," she said. But most of her coursework was online due to the pandemic. Hungry to learn, Kelly took class after class until her college counselor told her she was just three courses away from an associate's degree.

### More than academics

Kelly was a trailblazer in dual enrollment, advocating for policy changes and working to have her college courses count toward her high school GPA. For four years she persisted, even appealing her case to the school board. She thinks of it as her legacy at P.G. High. "It's really rewarding to know that other students will have the opportunity to take this path, and that's something I'm really proud of," she said.

It wasn't all about academics, however. Kelly participated in four years of soccer, tennis, cross-country and track. She was actively involved in community service, volunteering over 300 hours of her time. During the pandemic, she helped at Robert Down Elementary School, delivering packets to students who were doing distance learning and helping with youngsters who were falling behind in their classes.

She plans to study political science at Davis, with hopes of going to law school. She said she is passionate about social justice and that, "I want to help people in any way I can."

She is well on her way to doing exactly that. She has already paved the way for future P.G. students with dual enrollment.



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P.G. senior Karlee Kelly is getting a high school diploma — and two associate's degrees — this June.



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# P.G. mulls eliminating two city council seats

By KELLY NIX

IF PACIFIC Grove reduces the size of its city council by two — which it's considering — will it get more accomplished? That remains unclear, but the city has taken the first step toward the change.

At the May 19 meeting, council members voted 5-2 to direct city hall staff to draw up language for a Nov. 8 ballot measure asking voters to consider transitioning “from six to four councilmembers.” The council is expected to decide on the matter in July. The P.G. City Council is composed of six council members and a mayor, for a total of seven.

Councilman Luke Coletti, who proposed the idea, said he set out to find why Pacific Grove has seven members when most other city councils in California — nearly 90 percent of them — contain five, including in cities with much larger populations. Carmel, Monterey, Seaside,

Marina, Del Rey Oaks and Salinas all have five-member councils. Pacific Grove has roughly 15,000 people.

“We are just out there in right field,” Coletti said. “We are an anomaly for a city our size, then and now. And I think that after nearly 100 years, it's time to check in with voters to see how they want their city council organized.”

## ‘Ridiculous’

When Pacific Grove — with a mere 1,300 residents — was incorporated in 1889, it was set up with five council members. But when voters adopted a city charter in 1927, it established a seven-member council.

Pacific Grove's charter would have to be amended to allow for the change-up, and that can only be done by approval from the electorate.

Several residents spoke to the proposal, including Dixie Layne. “Decreasing the number of elected officials ensures a diminishing of residents' representation and

chips away at the very core of our representative democracy,” she said.

Tony Ciani advocated for a smaller council, but also proposed establishing “neighborhood planning associations,” which he said would “communicate with boards and committees” directly, including members of the planning commission and city council.

Inge Lorentzen Daumer called the seven-member council “ridiculous,” and said that “with only four [members] and a mayor, we might actually get through an agenda.”

Councilwoman Amy Tomlinson said residents often ask her why P.G. has seven members. Like Coletti, she wants to allow voters to decide on the issue but personally supports a five-member council. “It's not something that happens overnight,” Tomlinson said.

## Idea revisited

Coletti explained how the transition to a smaller council would work. “In November, the city is electing three council members to four-year terms,” he said. “In 2024, the city is electing two council members to two four-year terms, and one council member to a two-year-term, such that in 2026 we are fully at four council members” plus the mayor.

Councilwoman Jenny McAdams was also in favor of a smaller council, which she said would better position Pacific Grove if it ever moves toward electoral districts.

“If you divide 2.2 square miles of the City of Pacific Grove by seven, I don't know how you could possibly do that,” she said.

Councilman Chaps Poduri said he fears that with a five-member council “the incumbents are just going to run the show altogether, and there won't be a chance to have somebody else on the council to provide a diverse opinion.” He recommended that residents be surveyed on the idea.

“I'll just add that going to the ballot box is a survey,” Mayor Bill Peake responded.

Former P.G. councilwoman Cynthia Garfield proposed a smaller council several years ago but didn't get support from the other members. Councilman Nick Smith recalled voting against Garfield's proposal but said he now supports the notion, and he voted yes on Coletti's idea.

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Gonzalez alleges that P.G. City Councilwoman Jenny McAdams — who complained to Madalone about his social media posts and, before that, some decals on his personal vehicle — was one of at least two people who “engineered” his termination from the force. Gonzalez said he was fired because McAdams “did not like his political views,” but the city denied that claim.

“Defendants deny that Gonzalez was fired because one city council member did not like his political view,” the city said.

The city maintains it did not violate any laws when it fired Gonzalez, and that it did so because he failed to abide by the police department's code of conduct when he criticized Black Lives Matter.

## ‘Crudely denigrates’

During previous interviews with The Pine Cone, Gonzalez — who had a Black father for part of his life — said he harbors no animosity toward Black people, and that the social media post was aimed at the far-left Black Lives Matter political organization, which, among other things, claims the police “were born out of slave patrols” and were “built upon White supremacy.”

In a Dec. 14, 2020, notice of intent to fire Gonzalez, Madalone defended Black Lives Matter, saying the officer's post “was extremely profane and disrespectful” to the “movement.”

“Your posting crudely denigrates an entire segment of our nation and community in their efforts to address being mistreated” by police officers and others, Madalone said in the notice.

She also said Gonzalez's words violated the PGPD code of ethics because he “failed to keep” his “private life unsullied as an example to all and failed to behave in a manner that does not bring discredit” to him “or PGPD.”

The city said that Gonzalez's “claim fails because his termination was justified given that the City of Pacific Grove's legitimate administrative interests outweigh his First Amendment rights.”

Pacific Grove requests that the court dismiss Gonzalez's complaint with prejudice to bar him from filing a similar suit against the city, and that the city be awarded attorneys' fees and other costs.

Gonzalez alleges that Madalone and Harvey's conduct was “oppressive, despicable and performed with a willful, conscious, and reckless disregard” of his civil rights, “such that punitive or exemplary damages are warranted.”

Pacific Grove, however, said the city is immune from liability for punitive damages.

The city's wrongful actions, Gonzalez said, “destroyed” his career and livelihood, and he is seeking damages for the loss of his salary and benefits for the roughly “25 years he would have otherwise have continued to work as a police officer,” and the loss of his pension and other career opportunities.



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# Locals' tales of art, history, dogs and day trips

By ELAINE HESSER

ON APRIL 24, bookstores across the country celebrated Independent Bookstore Day. One can almost imagine them in a Dr. Seuss story, perched on Horton the elephant's trunk, shouting "We are here, we are here," from what must seem like a speck of dust next to looming internet retailers.

But local spots like Pilgrim's Way and River House Books, as well as Bookworks in P.G. — not to mention Luminata and Old Capitol Books (both in Monterey) — are more than just places to pick up the latest bestsellers. They're thriving communities of readers, with knowledgeable clerks who suggest things based on their experience, not an algorithm. And, they carry lots of books by local authors that you might not find so easily online.

"My Life in Pacific Grove," annotated and edited by Heather Lazare, is the story of Wilford Rensselaer Holman — W.R. Holman of his namesake Pacific Grove department store — told in his own words and those of his contemporaries. Holman was the grandfather of Lazare's late mother-in-law, Genie, who gave Lazare a copy of Holman's memoir, written when he was 95 and handed out to family members.

Lazare — a book editor who worked for Random House and Simon & Schuster — and her husband also inherited what she called "the Holman boxes," filled with articles,

photographs and all sorts of odds and ends. During the pandemic, she finally went through them, and "My Life in Pacific Grove" is the result.

"There probably isn't a home on the Monterey Peninsula that doesn't have a bit of Holman's somewhere in its rooms, cupboards or closets, be it draperies, dishes or diapers," said a 1966 issue of Game & Gossip magazine. That's probably a bit of exaggeration, but it speaks to the ubiquity of Holman's influence. Longtime locals will be tickled by descriptions of elegant shopping excursions, a Christmas train and the store's dome-topped restaurant.

### A very frightened dog

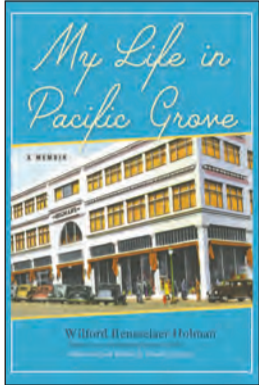
Of course, Meredith May is among those authors who have found national markets. The Carmel Valley author first hit it big with her memoir, "The Honey Bus." In it, she recounted how her grandfather, E. Franklin Peace — known as the beekeeper of Big Sur — used his expertise to teach May about tending hives and tending to human relationships, as well.

Her latest effort, "Loving Edie," is also a true story, this time about the most anxious golden retriever you're likely to encounter. After their beloved Stella — the poster-pup for well-adjusted dogs — died, May and her wife, Jenn Jackson, adopted a new four-legged family member with a severe case of anxiety that surfaced after they brought her home. Edie's terrified of cars, children on tricycles, and many other things that were part of the couple's life in San Francisco, where the book begins.

Edie's nervous system sends her into panics in which she blindly — and dangerously — sprints away in search of refuge. A reporter who wrote for the San Francisco Chronicle for 16 years, May focused her unflinching attention to detail on how her own wants and motivations have affected her bond with Edie, not to mention some deeper truths she gleaned about her wife and marriage.

### 'Weird, wonderful, obscure'

After reading a few interesting memoirs, you can make some local memories of your own with "Secret Monterey: A guide to the weird, wonderful, and obscure," by David Laws. Laws retired to Pacific Grove after a 50-year career in Silicon Valley, and according to his bio, "His work has appeared in numerous electronic and print media outlets from the BBC and NPR, to mobile apps, guidebooks,



PHOTO/COURTESY HEATHER LAZARE

Heather Lazare's new book recounts W.R. Holman's (above left) life and career in Pacific Grove, including his Victorian home on Lighthouse Avenue (top).

newspapers, magazines and academic journals."

He compiled a list of dozens of points of interest throughout the county and you might find some surprises. After Mr. Gorbachev tore down that wall in Berlin, the Presidio of Monterey got some pieces of it to display, for example, and one of the trees in Monterey's Friendly Plaza came from a seed that went to the moon with Apollo 14.

Count on Laws' less-than-200-page illustrated compendium to remind you of spots you already love and perhaps

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# DONATION

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"I went down to L.A.," the longtime local said. "The police took me to it. I was embarrassed. I felt sorry for any family that had to look at that wall. I knew I needed to do something."

The cost to tear down the wall and replace it at the same site came to \$750,000, with Snyder donating \$546,000.

Flanked by Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti and Los Angeles Police Chief Michel Moore at the ceremony, Snyder was thrilled to see the new wall unveiled.

"I looked at the faces of those family members who were there, and so many of them had smiles — even in the face of tragedy," she said. "This is the best money I've spent so far. I'm so glad I did it."

## Foundation thanks Flo

The Los Angeles Police Foundation, which led the fundraising effort, applauded Snyder for her generous support.

## Commission doesn't like fence proposed for Ocean Ave medians

By MARY SCHLEY

THE CARMEL Residents Association wants to donate \$55,000 to have split-rail fences installed in the Ocean Avenue medians to discourage jaywalkers, but forest and beach commissioners said last month that they don't like the idea and the money would be better spent elsewhere. Nonetheless, they said they would be open to experimenting with fencing in one center island.

According to associate planner Evan Kort, similar fences ran down the middle of the islands in the 1950s but were later removed, though he didn't know when or why.

Proposed by former Mayor Ken White and resident Neal Kruse, the fence would zigzag through the medians at 30 inches high and would be made of cedar.

"The meandering is perfect for weaving in and out of the trees," Kruse said. "It looks very Old World. I think

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"Without Flo's contribution, we would not have been able to refurbish the memorial," said Dana Katz, executive director for the foundation. "Being a police officer is a dangerous job, and it's wonderful to honor those who sacrificed their lives."

Snyder and Speck married in 2012, roughly 40 years after their first date, and decades after seemingly going their separate ways.

The ceremony also recognized the fallen officers

— along with 15 officers who died of the Spanish Flu in 1918-19. A roll call was read, bagpipers played "Amazing Grace," a bugler played "Taps," and a squadron of helicopters did a fly-over in the "missing man" formation. Family members, meanwhile, placed red roses at the memorial.

"We honor these 238 officers and thank them for risking their lives, for going above and beyond the call of duty, and for courageously protecting the residents of Los Angeles," Moore told those who attended the ceremony.

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## DUIs

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"He's only 28, and normally someone with that many DUIs is a much older person," Johnson told The Pine Cone Thursday.

The two-year state prison sentence will keep Santillan off the streets for a while, but California used to be stricter on drunk drivers. That went away when state legislators and voters decided to be easier on criminals.

"The maximum offense for a DUI without injury is three years," Johnson explained. "There used to be enhancements that prosecutors could allege," which would allow for harsher sentences, "but those were all eliminated with criminal justice reforms."

Similarly, the changes have also made it more difficult for someone to face serious charges for drunk driving in cases that do not involve injury.

"To get to a felony, you have to get to at least four DUIs," Johnson said.

### Caught on video

After Santillan crashed his vehicle into a parked car in April, he got out of the vehicle before the police arrived. While there was a group of people at the scene, police officers were unable to identify the driver. For some reason, Santillan stayed at the crash site.

"After reviewing footage from a nearby surveillance camera," the DA's office said, "Salinas police officers were able to observe Santillan as both the driver of the crashed vehicle and one of the bystanders standing in the crowd near the crash scene when police arrived."

## PARKING

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Science church to use their valuable land in a more profitable way. In 2017, they sold one piece of their parking lot for \$1.1 million to a couple to build a house, and in early 2019, they submitted an extensive proposal to change the zoning on the remaining seven lots and develop them.

### Development plans

The church's lots, which contain its sanctuary, reading room and parking lot, are all zoned for single-family use. The church sought to have all their lots rezoned to a category that allows multi-family residential and commercial uses, so they could build two residential buildings, with an upstairs unit and a downstairs unit in each, on the four lots on the Lincoln Street side. The three lots on Monte Verde would be rezoned for a 12-unit apartment and condo complex with underground parking.



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The Christian Science church ran afoul of the city's codes by posting "public parking" signs and operating a paid parking lot.



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# '03 CHS grad takes on Santa Clara County 'Goliath' in assessor's race

By CHRIS COUNTS

NINETEEN YEARS after graduating from Carmel High School, Andrew Crockett is running for public office.

A 36-year-old certified public accountant who works as an analyst for Santa Clara County, Crockett, a Democrat, is vying to become the county's next assessor. But to win the election, he must defeat a 27-year incumbent, 81-year-old Larry Stone.

Crockett says he's definitely the underdog — his father called the race "a David vs. Goliath" contest.

### Stuck in 20th century?

According to Crockett, Santa Clara County needs a change. A centerpiece of his campaign is a pledge to modernize the department's technology to make it easier and more affordable for the public to access property information.

"This office charges the most expensive fees in the nation in exchange for public data," he noted.

Crockett said he's passionate about finding solutions to the county housing crisis, and he believes the assessor's office can play a key role.

"The assessor's office is charged with gathering the data on every property in this county," he explained. "That data, which is used for both accurate appraisals and assessments, is also exactly the data we need to diagnose and remedy the economic sickness that is the housing crisis."

Like the Monterey Peninsula, the Silicon Valley is home to some of the highest real estate prices in the country. But Crockett said he's confident the region's spirit for innovation will enable it to solve the problem. He called the region a "valley of genius."

"We are a nerd mecca," he said. "We can solve any problem we set our minds to here."

Stone, despite his formidable record running campaigns, has courted controversy. Although he previously identified as a Democrat, local party officials called for his



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Andrew Crockett, who graduated from Carmel High School in 2003, is running for Santa Clara County assessor.

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# Council to consider \$32.4M budget

By MARY SCHLEY

**DURING** A special meeting on the proposed 2022-2023 budget May 17, city council members decided to allocate more cash to tourism and business spending following requests from the Carmel Chamber of Commerce, the Monterey County Convention & Visitors Bureau and the Visit Carmel marketing group for more tax dollars. They did not, however, cut anything out of the unprecedented \$32,353,342 spending plan, which will be put up for approval at their June 7 regular meeting.

## Trash rates again

Property, sales and hotel taxes make up nearly 80 percent of the revenues expected in the coming fiscal year, which starts July 1, but spending — which includes more than \$5 million in capital projects — will exceed income by more than \$2 million, according to the draft budget. That doesn't mean it won't be balanced, though, since that money will come from a surplus expected at the end of the current year.

The council has held a couple of sessions on the budget and is set to vote on it at Tuesday's regular meeting. By law, the

spending plan must be adopted before the current fiscal year ends June 30.

Also on the agenda is another rate increase proposed by GreenWaste Recovery. The city's trash hauler is demanding an additional 2.14 percent, according to city administrator Chip Rerig. In the last five years, rates have risen more than 50 percent for residents and nearly as much for businesses, and the most recent increase of nearly 4 percent took effect Jan. 1.

## Climate plan

Council members are set to review the proposed climate action plan, too, and discuss whether a new commission should be formed to oversee it or if the planning commission can take it on, Rerig said.

On Monday, June 6, the council will hold a special meeting for some closed-session discussions on labor negotiations and potential litigation, and is set to adopt the consent calendar, which contains routine items of business like contracts, major purchases and other city business.

For more information, including how to participate in the meetings in person or via Zoom, and the full agenda packets, visit [ci.carmel.ca.us](http://ci.carmel.ca.us).

# WRECK

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minutes of the accident, according to the DA's office.

When officers got there, though, Clarke and another occupant of the Mazda — identified this week as Tyrone Moore — were outside the car, and no witnesses could confirm who had been driving.

Because Clarke owned the car, had the key fob in his pocket, and the seat was adjusted to his height, CHP officers concluded he'd been driving. After conducting a DUI investigation that indicated Clarke was drunk, they arrested him.

As part of the investigation, the CHP sent DNA from the passenger-side airbag to the state lab for testing, and in November 2020, results came back indicating it was Clarke's. The DA's office dropped the charges against him.

## Still responsible

Prosecutors might have gone after Moore for the crime, but "on March 9, 2022, according to officials in Nevada,

Moore was killed when a vehicle struck him in a remote area of the desert outside of Laughlin, Nevada, and then drove off," the DA's office said.

Now, Pacioni wants Clarke arrested again, this time for "failure to perform a duty following a collision that resulted in death, a felony, in violation of Vehicle Code section 20001(b)(2)."

According to the district attorney's office, under California law, the registered owner of a vehicle may be charged with a felony if he was riding as a passenger when his car was involved in an accident, "he had full authority to direct and control the vehicle even though another person was driving the vehicle" at the time, and the accident killed or permanently injured someone else. He almost must have known his car was involved in a fatal or serious wreck, and "willfully failed to provide reasonable assistance to any person injured in the accident."

The same law also states the owner can be charged with a felony if he fails to notify law enforcement of a fatal collision.

According to Monterey County Superior Court records, the warrant for Clarke's arrest was issued June 1.

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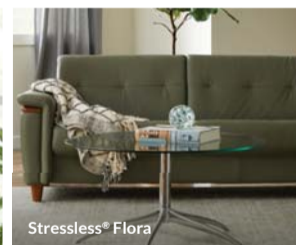
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# FENCE

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it's a very attractive look." Weaving the fence through the trees would make it look "kind of complicated and almost artistic."

But Dale Byrne and Shirley Moon, both of Carmel Cares, opposed the proposal.

"It seems the city has plenty of things to maintain, to the point that Carmel Cares is providing maintenance on many important open spaces around town already," Byrne said, adding that a similar fence on Junipero doesn't stop jaywalkers and is looking fairly decrepit.

"I would not work on any medians any further should this fence be installed on Ocean Avenue," he threatened. Byrne suggested the city observe where jaywalking is a problem and then address it with boulders and bushes.

Moon said the fences would complicate the work of retrieving trash from the medians and the streets, which she's spent a lot of mornings doing as a volunteer.

"The trash blows all over into the center of the medians," she said. "It requires crossing from side to side."

### 'Odd and falling down'

Moon also said she couldn't understand "why we would want to replicate the fence on Junipero."

"It looks odd, and it's falling down," she said. "I urge you to reject this proposal."

Commissioner Michael Caddell speculated people would just sit on the fence when the medians are over-run by people at events, such as during Car Week and he wanted evidence they would actually discourage people from climbing through the medians.

Chair JC Myers said he was grateful for the CRA's offer but that he didn't see the value of installing the fence, especially at such a high price.

"I find the idea of a split rail all the way down Ocean Avenue unappealing," Caddell commented. "I don't think they've made a compelling case that we should do this."

Caddell also said he appreciated the CRA's willingness to help, "but not every idea is a good idea."

Ultimately, commissioners unanimously voted that the fence could be tried in one median as an experiment, but no more.



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## John Holt Brazinsky, M.D.

June 22, 1938 - May 12, 2022

Resident of Carmel

Dr. John Holt Brazinsky died on May 12, 2022. He was born to Dr. John Francis (Jack) Brazinsky and Frances Catherine Holt Brazinsky at Georgetown University Hospital in Washington, D.C. He joined his 7-year-old sister, Jeanne, beginning her lifelong claim that her "life was perfect until he came along and ruined everything." They precede him in death.

John was an honor graduate of St. John's College High School, a military academy in Washington, D.C.; the University of Notre Dame where he graduated magna cum laude with a degree in chemistry; and George Washington University Medical School where he was elected a member of Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society.

He served his country in the United States Army Medical Corps, eventually stationed at Fort Ord where he was chief of pathology and medical director of the laboratory at Silas B. Hayes Army Hospital. There he met the love of his life, Terri Correll, a Red Cross volunteer. Following military service, he practiced medicine for 34 years at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, serving as chief of pathology and medical director of the laboratories until retirement. He was board-certified in anatomical and clinical pathology and clinical chemistry.



John was an avid reader and a life-long learner. He loved learning piano and was proud of his slow rendition of "Danny Boy." He was an enthusiastic sports fan of Notre Dame Football (Go Irish!), the San Francisco 49ers, the Golden State Warriors, and for every youth team on which his beloved grandsons played, most recently cheering on the Carmel High School Padres. John loved nature, the outdoors, and his garden. His beautiful roses will continue as a source of joy to his family.

A long-distance runner since the mid 1960s, he ran multiple races including 15+ marathons such as Boston, Big Sur, San Francisco, and Avenue of the Giants. He ran the SF Bay-to-Breakers over thirty-five times. John spent hours fly-fishing rivers of the United States and the atolls of Christmas Island. His favorite rivers were the Madison, the Gallatin, and the Yellowstone in Montana which he faithfully fished yearly for over 30 years, as recently as last summer with his grandsons.

John enjoyed hiking the Sierra Mountains, the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina, and Mt. Denali in Alaska. A memorable trek was Half Dome with his good friend, Paul Best. He treasured his membership in the Haasis Hikers while exploring trails of Monterey County, a favorite being Big Sur. He loved backpacking and camping under the stars in the Sierra with his friends.

For at least 30 years his Sundays began with a beach run with good friends Dean Flippo and Larry Jones, they eventually transitioned to jogs, walks, and finally meeting for coffee as his health declined in December.

Surviving John is his wife of 50 years, Terri Brazinsky; daughter April Brazinsky (John Polli); grandsons Jack McNeill and Ray McNeill; daughter of his heart, niece Denise Scarff; sisters-in-law MaryAnn Correll Woods, Elizabeth Correll and April Anderson; godsons Adam Anderson and Bobby Wright. He leaves behind beloved nieces, nephews, and cousins and is mourned by many longtime friends, former colleagues, his Tuesday Night Pool Group, the Old Friends Group, and his Friday Coffee Group.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Monterey County Food Bank, The Big Sur Land Trust, or to the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula would be appreciated.

**A celebration of life will be held on Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup> at 1 o'clock in the afternoon at Church in the Forest in Pebble Beach.**

## TIMOTHY ROBERT NYLEN

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Timothy Robert Nylén, 54, of Monterey County, California, passed from this world on May 22, 2022, from complications related to kidney cancer. He was a native of South Holland, Illinois.

Tim earned his bachelor of science degree from Illinois State and his master of public health degree from the University of Illinois at Chicago. Tim began his long career of caring for others by working at several hospitals in Chicago, including University of Chicago Hospitals, University of Illinois Hospital, and Children's Memorial Hospital. After years of serving hospitals in his home state, Tim joined Montage Health in California, rising to vice president in 2004. He oversaw many important departments including Security, Environmental Services, Engineering, Risk Management, Safety, and Human Resources, among others. Likewise, he managed many critical construction projects for Montage Health.

Tim's dedication to improving the world extended to his charitable work, as well. Tim had a passion for volunteering and for philanthropy. He served on the board for the Red Cross, United Way of Monterey County, Community Partnership for Youth, the Central Coast Community Mutual Insurance Company, and California Healthcare Insurance Company. He was also very active in the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation of the Greater Bay Area.

Oftentimes in one of these positions, he was called upon to speak to different groups. Unavoidably, he would have to field questions about his height. 6' 8" Tim would often begin by light-heartedly saying, "Let me answer all the inevitable questions first. No, I did not play basketball; no, I do not know the Jolly Green Giant; and yes, the weather up here is fine." His jesting, affable attitude and kind hearted demeanor always put people at ease, and his winsome personality was magnetic.

Tim's most defining quality was his generosity. Many were touched by his random acts of kindness, like when he would arbitrarily choose a weekly recipient to surprise with flowers, a gift, or some other token. Whether it was lending his help to a charitable cause or lending a hand to a vertically-challenged stranger with an out-of-reach item on a shelf, Tim left this world a better place simply by being in it.

His legacy will live on through the Tim Nylén Everybody Counts Cancer Patient Endowment Fund. The purpose of this fund is to help provide cancer-related services onsite or in the home for Monterey County community members who have received a cancer diagnosis and are or will be receiving treatment at the Comprehensive Cancer and Infusion Center. Tim's hope is to help others obtain the level of support he was able to provide for himself, lessening the disruptions to family, work, social relationships, and sense of security that a cancer diagnosis can cause. Donations can be made at [montagehealth.org/TimNylénFund](http://montagehealth.org/TimNylénFund).

He is survived by his mother and father, Barbara and Robert Nylén; his siblings Rebecca Gulich, Terrence (Amy) Nylén, and Kimberly Nylén; his nieces Nicole and Sarah; his nephew Casey; and his aunt Maribeth Scholl.

**His Celebration of Life will be on June 5<sup>th</sup> at the Hyatt Regency Monterey from 3-5.  
We will lovingly ask him one final time, "Hey, Tim, how's the weather up there?"**



## Robin Bell

1953 — 2022

William Frederick Bell II, age 68, known as Robin, grew up in Carmel, CA. Battling several cancers, in his last week he faced an aggressive brain tumor. With his wife of 20 years, Pauline, tenderly by his side, he peacefully departed this realm on May 25, 2022. Robin also leaves his three devoted siblings, Victoria, Beau (Sarah), and Chip (Richard). His parents, Betty and Dick Bell, predeceased him.

His life's journey was imbued with the mythos of spiritual unfolding and the complexities of the developing digital age. Just prior to graduating UC Berkeley with a B.A. in music, where he had been student director of the University of California Marching Band, two events transformed his life: He read "Autobiography of a Yogi," and attended a talk by a monk of the Self-Realization Fellowship (SRF), the monastic order founded in 1920 by Paramahansa Yogananda. Both experiences left indelible impressions. Intent on traveling to India to discover for himself the truth of these revelations, he worked odd jobs saving money. In 1978 he embarked on a spiritual pilgrimage, using the Pan American World Airways special fare "Around the World in 80 Days," visiting ashrams in India, and continuing onward to Kashmir, Jerusalem, and Assisi.

Returning, he initiated the process to become a monastic within SRF. Over the ensuing 21 years, becoming a monk and serving in IT, in his last four years he served as senior director, chief technology officer, and deputy CIO. He also served as one of the ministers at the Fullerton temple, and gave talks at other SRF temples in the U.S. and abroad.

Parting SRF in 2000, he married Pauline, whom he met while each was in service at SRF. This phase of his career began as senior consultant—IT continuity at Cisco. He then held senior IT consultant and management positions at PayPal, VMware, Visa, Hitachi, U.S. Navy, and U.S. Marine Corps. Retiring early, recently he taught yoga, and with Pauline practiced Kriya and Yin Yoga, Tai Chi and QiGong and enjoyed long walks in nature.

Robin's soul embraced peace, truth, quiet depth, and one-to-one relationships, with a bemused and piquant humor. At his request, no services will be held.

Donations in his memory may be made to Earthjustice:  
<https://earthjustice.org/give/donate-today>

## Eleuteria 'Licia' Santos

Eleuteria "Licia" Santos passed away peacefully on May 20, 2022, surrounded by her loving family. She was a long-time resident of Monterey, since her arrival in 1955 from Italy where she had been living for many years as a refugee. She was known to many as kind, warm, caring, loving, rambunctious, extremely social, funny, quirky — she was often the life of the party, and the center of attention.

Licia was born in a small Greek-speaking village in southern Albania to Cassandra Mazuka and Branko Merxhani. During World War II, as a teenager, she immigrated to Athens with her mother and her sister. The three of them then found their way to Italy, where they learned the language and culture. In 1950, Licia married, and soon after immigrated to Monterey, her final home, where her new husband, Adalbert Fekeci, took a teaching position at the Defense Language Institute.

Licia spent her early years raising her two children, but dreamed of being in business on her own. She began her career in sales at Saks Fifth Avenue. In 1979, she founded Tiger Lilly Florist in Carmel and spent many years building a successful florist business that remains today. She was appreciated for her flair and sense of design, something she came to without any formal training. She was always quick to point out that working with flowers and gardens came natural to her. She maintained a passion for nature until the end of her life.

She was also an avid and competitive tennis player and enjoyed her membership at the Carmel Valley Athletic Club over many years. She played competitively into her 80s and was known for her courtside wit and strong backhand. She also enjoyed volunteering at the Carmel Sunset Center.

Licia is survived by her two children, Cristina and Wilfred Fekeci (Joli); her four grandchildren, Alex Teplitzky, Sofia Platti, Nick and Stefan Fekeci. The family wishes to thank the caring staff at Ivy Park Salinas Memory Care.

Donations may be made in her name to the Carmel Sunset Center.



## Joseph Martin Fernandez, Sr.

March 13, 1936 – May 19, 2022  
Pacific Grove, CA

Joe was born March 13<sup>th</sup>, 1936, in Fort Bragg, CA, to Manuel and Olivia (Sousa) Fernandez. He passed away peacefully with his family at his side on May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022. As a teenager, Joe became a deckhand on the seiner, the New Roma. Joe had a strong work ethic and eventually launched his own fishing vessels; Donna F II, Joeyboy II, and the Miss Kristina. As a commercial fisherman, he fished the waters from the Aleutian Islands, Alaska to the coast of Baja California. Joe cherished time with his family, especially family dinner. He loved the foods of each season and celebrating the process — planning the menu, shopping, the recipes, setting of the table and the feast and no meal was a meal unless a fresh loaf of sweet Italian bread was served.



We would like to thank the staff of Hospice of the Central Coast and Westland House for the care they provided to Joe and his family.

He is survived by Donna Fernandez; his daughters Andréa and Kristina (Jose); his grandchildren Alexandrea, Joseph, Peter, Gabriella and Maria Paloma, and his large extended family. He was preceded in death by his son, Joey.

Catholic Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup> at San Carlos Cathedral.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Hospice of the Central Coast, PO Box HH, Monterey, CA, 93942.

To place an obituary for your loved one, contact  
anne@carmelpinecone.com or (831) 274-8654

## LOIS JEAN SCHOLTEN JONES

October 3, 1925 ❖ May 4, 2022

Our precious Mother, Nana, Auntie, and friend to so many has ended her journey of life, but our memories will be with us always. Born in Los Angeles, California to parents Guy and Gussie Scholten, Lois joined sisters Kay (Pugh) and Elaine (Agney). She met Ken Jones shortly after the end of World War II. They married in 1947, moved to Carmel, and she never left.

Married for 44 years until Ken's passing in 1991, they had three children — Dennis, Karen, and Jeanette. Lois was Nana to six grandchildren — Dennise, Shayne, Kenny, Ariel, Quincy, Kelly — and 13 great-grandchildren. Mom, Nana, Auntie Lois was the matriarch of the Scholten and Jones families. She was the last of that great generation.

Ken and Lois' first home was at the Carmel River Inn, Cottage #28 that had been built by Ken's parents, Orville, Sr. and Helen Jones. Their next move was across Highway 1 to the Los Gatos Apartments, the only four buildings in the area that is now home to the Crossroads Shopping Center. Their backyard was the Odello artichoke fields. Lois always said it was "the only low-income housing in Carmel." Several years later they moved back across Highway 1 to Mission Fields and built their new home — the only house there that wasn't a tract home. It had real character!! In 1971, they built their dream home on Mesa Court, which had a view of rolling hills and no other houses! The home included an apartment for Ken's parents so they could all be close, but not too close! Over the years, all of us kids had the chance to live there and enjoy the beauty. We all thank you, Mom and Dad.

Lois was very involved with the Carmel Mission Parish and Junipero Serra School, which all the Jones children attended. Lois was president and member of the Mothers Club and was a co-founder of the Carmel Mission Fiesta with John Calcagno and Bruna Odello. She was broken-hearted when she learned of the school closing — a piece of her history was gone.

Lois worked for a short time sorting mail at the Carmel Post Office then moved on to the Carmel Valley Manor as the telephone operator, another type of work long gone. She finished her working career as the administrative assistant for the Carmel-by-the-Sea Forestry Commission and Public Works Department for 22 years. Her greatest highlight of that job was the presentation of her 20-year pin by Mayor Clint Eastwood. Often asked by tourists if she was friends with Clint, she always said, "Yes, of course. We meet weekly for lunch!"

After retirement, Lois devoted her time to taking care of her family and many friends. She played bridge twice weekly for many years with so many special friends.

Our Mom and Nana taught us all the importance of family and her unending love for us. Always ready to help when needed with loving advice or a shoulder to cry on, she was truly a very special soul. She is now reunited with all her heavenly family and dear friends who have gone before her. We hope and pray that she is sitting at a bridge table!



"Family and friends, always cherish them — all the love and joy they do bring — for if we have them, even through sorrow we can sing."

### PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace  
Where there is hatred, let me sow love  
Where there is injury, pardon  
Where there is doubt, faith  
Where there is despair, hope  
Where there is darkness, light  
Where there is sadness, joy

Lois truly lived by this beautiful prayer.

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated at the Carmel Mission at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 2, with a reception at the family home immediately following.



# BOOKS

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introduce you to some new favorites.

Carmel writer Michael Chatfield has worked with artist Gregory Hawthorne to produce “Working Outside the Box,” a beautiful hardbound volume featuring hundreds of pages of color prints of Hawthorne’s works. Chatfield’s concise commentary complements the illustrations and provides readers with a chronological guide to Hawthorne’s artistic evolution. In addition to the work you’ll

find at his galleries in Big Sur and Portland, Ore., Hawthorne provided nearly all the original art — and designed some of the furniture — at Post Ranch Inn.

Chatfield noted that Hawthorne was “instrumental” in the hiring of architect Mickey Muennig to design the exclusive inn. Muennig also created Hawthorne’s Big Sur gallery, which opened in 1995, and worked on the family’s home on the hill above it.

Chatfield’s narrative recounts Hawthorne’s later involvement in Sand City’s art community, and the creativity of his growing family, all of whom seem to have caught the artistic bug.

Finally, there’s Santa Cruz author Buzz Anderson’s

new book, “Five Hundred Moons.” It’s an extensively researched historical novel set along the Monterey Bay between 1747 and 1793. Anderson mixes real people (including Junipero Serra and some local natives) and events with fictional characters and imagined dialogue. Filling more than 700 pages, Anderson thoughtfully created a world rich in detail and invites readers to journey with him through history.

Whether you’re spending this summer sunning yourself in the valley or huddling by a fire pit downtown, stop by a bookstore to find some local treasures to enjoy. And you won’t even have to wait for a delivery truck to find your unnumbered house.

## Stanley Weiss

August 9, 1921 — May 25, 2022

Stanley Weiss, known affectionately throughout the Monterey community simply as “Coach Weiss,” passed away peacefully in his sleep on May 25, 2022, in Pacific Grove after turning 100 years old last August. He is survived by his two sons, Bob and Alan Weiss, two grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. The love of his life, Celia, passed away in 2014, after 67 years of marriage. His two brothers, Benjamin and Richard Weiss, predeceased Stan.



Stan was born in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1921, the youngest of three brothers. It became evident from an early age that he would have a life-long passion for sports and athletics. He was a star, all-around athlete in high school, which led him to Ohio State where he played freshmen football as a center and linebacker. Stan later transferred to Case Western Reserve, played varsity football, and earned his undergraduate degree.

With the outbreak of World War II, he enlisted in the Army Air Force intending to becoming a pilot. But it turned out that his constitution was not up to his flying aspirations, and he instead found a perfect fit as a physical trainer at the Santa Maria, California Air Base before going overseas. He led the troops in getting in tip-top shape for what would lie ahead as pilots.

After the war, he met and soon married Celia in Cleveland, Ohio, then together moved to California where Stan completed his studies for a master’s degree in education from UCLA. His first teaching and coaching assignment took them to Yuba City, California, and then to Monterey High where he taught physical education and became the head varsity coach of the Monterey Treadores in 1952. His season debut as coach got off to a spectacular start when the Treadores pulled off a stunning upset of the highly-regarded Pittsburg football team. Stan would love coaching football and maintaining long-term friendships with his players over many years, including his 96th birthday celebration with many of his former players in attendance.

Stan always appreciated the beauty and quality of life of the Monterey Peninsula and enjoyed the rest of his life there. After retirement from Monterey High, he discovered real estate investment as a new passion, while continuing to exercise daily playing tennis or running on the track and later walking on the beach with Celia. He always loved music and theater, and was proud to be a board member of the Monterey Bay Symphony. Stan especially loved Broadway musicals and never missed a chance to support local theater. Stan and Celia traveled widely, often with their long-time friends, Sam and Edith Karas, and enjoyed many international cruises to every continent and ocean of the world.

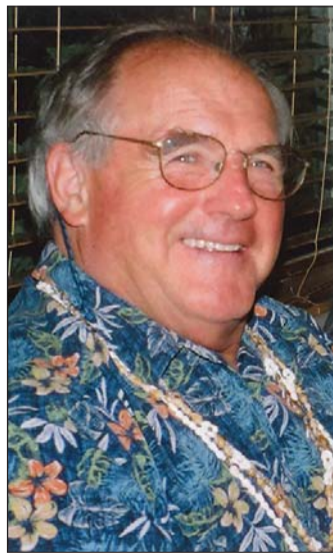
The family is planning a ceremony to “celebrate the life” of Stan Weiss in October.



## NORMAN REYNOLDS COLMAN

March 10, 1942 – May 30, 2022

Norman, was born in Palo Alto, CA. He relocated to Carmel, CA in 1950, with his parents: Paul & Margaret, brother Jerry, and sister Bee. His grandparents were already settled in Carmel from Greenwich, CT. He attended Carmel Sunset School,



and graduated from Carmel High School with the Class of 1959, where he was affectionately known by his classmates as “Protoplasm” from his football days. Norman went on to San Francisco State to earn a bachelor’s degree in history. He retired with 33 years of service with the CA State Employment Development Department. He then followed his passion for history as a volunteer docent at Colton Hall, and the Presidio of Monterey for many years. He enjoyed exchanging and sharing historical facts with other docents, local residents, and people from around the world.

For the past several years, Norman looked forward to working at the annual AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am. He enjoyed his role as a driver on the early morning shift, greeting the residents to and from the Beach Club.

From a young age he enjoyed traveling through America, South America, Mexico, and Europe. He loved kayaking, fishing, and camping on the paradise beach at Santispac (near Mulege) in Baja, Mexico, on the Sea of Cortez. Norman was fluent in Spanish, based on his college minor, regular trips to Mexico, and daily public contact during his EDD career. One of his favorite places was Carmel Beach, where you would often find him engineering his “waterworks” on the north end. This ritual of many years, may have qualified him as a real “Carmel Character.”

He will truly be missed by his loving wife of 30 years, Cathy A. Lee, whom he met on a blind date from their mutual friends, Helga and Eric Scarlett. Norman was extremely proud of his devoted son, Juan Colman, and wife Trina; remarkable grandchildren: Ben, Paul, and Lylah Colman; older and supportive brother, Jerry Colman, and wife Mary; special cousins: Laurie Wishard, and Lisa Seeb; nieces Sonja Atkins, and Debbie Kelleher; brother-in-law Bill Lee, and wife Teresa; nephew Kai, many friends, co-workers, and Carmel classmates.

A private Celebration of Life will be held by the family at a later time.

In lieu of flowers, donations would be appreciated in his memory through any Cancer Organization or charity of your choice. Cards and personal anecdotes about Norman, may be sent to Cathy Lee at: P.O. Box 4204 – Carmel, CA 93921.

## DALE KEITH GINGERICH

1934 • 2022

Dale Keith Gingerich, 87, of Carmel, CA, formerly of Wellman, IA, died Friday, May 27, 2022, at his home surrounded by his loving family. A private family burial will be held in Kalona, IA at the Sharon Hill Cemetery. A Celebration of Life will be planned for Dale in California at a later date.

Dale Keith Gingerich was born November 8, 1934, in rural Iowa county, Iowa, the son of Ralph and Gertrude (Miller) Gingerich. He attended rural country school through eighth grade. Dale was a member of Lower Deer Creek Church in his youth and served in Civilian Public Service (1-W) at a hospital in Evanston, IL. It was there that he met Ruth Grimes, who was a volunteer at the hospital. Ruth and Dale were united in marriage on March 23, 1957, in Evanston, IL. The couple lived and farmed in the Kalona/Wellman area until 1984, when they moved to Carmel, CA. He was a building contractor/cabinet maker and farmer in Iowa. After moving to California he owned and operated Monterey Mattress Company for over 30 years. He was known to many locals as “Pops Panda.” He would often joke about how many people slept in his bed.

Dale loved spending time with his family and although miles separated them, he cherished the time and phone calls with his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He enjoyed working with his hands, a true craftsman, he was a problem solver, loved sharing stories and his sense of humor. In earlier years he enjoyed his trapping and farming and later enjoyed fishing. He was a hard working man, compassionate, kind and generous, always putting others before himself.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth, of Carmel, CA; five children: Brian Gingerich (Nancy Bell) of Carmel, CA, Jane (Darwin) Mesch of Delhi, IA, Barb (Keith) Schweitzer of Wellman, IA, Joan (Glenn) Siders of North Liberty, IA, Grant Gingerich (Lucy Fuller) of Wellman, IA; five grandchildren: Micaela Mesch, Jason Schweitzer, Cara Slaubaugh, Shannon Siders, Cory Siders; and seven great-grandchildren: Lana, Carson, and Hannah Schweitzer, Owen, Evan, Norah, and Dia Slaubaugh.

Preceding Dale in death were his parents, an infant daughter, a grandson Nick Mesch, and three sisters and two brothers-in-law: Mildred (Emerson) Swartzendruber, Imogene Schlaubaugh, and Shirley (Jim) Conrad.



# ATTACK

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by to help with the search.

Just minutes after leaving Daniels' house, McGurrin, accompanied by her dog Phinny, showed a "missing dog" poster to someone who was working in the neighborhood, and his eyes lit up. Moments earlier, he had been watering some plants and found Sal.



PHOTO/COURTESY KATE DANIELS

Here's Sal, before his near death encounter last week. He's now on the mend and feeling much better, his person reported.

After he showed McGurrin where the dog was, she picked him up. Sal was covered with puncture wounds and motionless, but warm to the touch. Figuring he was still alive, she rushed him to Daniels' house.

"We jumped into the car and headed straight to the Blue Pearl Pet Hospital in Monterey," Daniels reported. "They had him all night long. They performed a couple different surgeries."

### Eating no easy task

Of his various injuries, the worst is his badly injured jaw.

"Most of the tissue on his lower mandible was lost," Daniels said. "His mouth was damaged to the point where he couldn't make sounds. He also has wounds all over this body and hemorrhages on both eyes."

Sal has been dining on doggy delicacies since his return from the vet.

"I got an incredible beef stew from the Raw

Connection," Daniels said. "I've been feeding him by hand since he came home."

Once an enthusiastic barker, he's been mostly quiet since he was injured.

"He's making some squealing sounds," Daniels said. "This morning, he made a little, 'woof.' It was the cutest thing."

So what attacked Sal? Daniels will probably never know. "What is clear is that he fended off something much bigger than he is and he survived," she said.

The experience was an emotional roller coaster for Daniels, along with a reminder that she lives in a great community. She thanked everybody who offered support, especially McGurrin.

"I put one post up on Facebook and I was blown away by all the love and support I received," she added. "Everybody was willing to help. It was overwhelming. To have friends who love your family as much as you do is truly a blessing."

# DELAY

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than face criminal proceedings if the judge can make those findings.

Bergeron opposes Peck's potential release and last month sent a letter to Vazquez explaining why, including fearing for his family's safety. He said he supports the court's interest in Peck's mental health but that the way to address it is not to let him out, and he questioned whether the judge could conclude Peck wouldn't be a threat.

"Peck had armed himself with a butcher knife and a baseball bat and was ready to kill," he told The Pine Cone shortly after he sent the letter. "Do Carmel residents feel safe about releasing him on bail or because of mental health?"

Bergeron said he and his daughter planned to attend the May 24 hearing, and he did, but the discussion and decision were subsequently delayed to June 14. He said he will testify against Peck's request that morning via Zoom.

# KNIFE

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burglary. But police had to take Kringen to the hospital due to a medical issue, and he was later discharged.

The investigation seems to clearly point to Kringen as the perp in the knife shop burglary — the hatchet he's seen using to smash the window, as well as some of the clothes he was wearing, were found in his car, along with the missing knives that were later returned to Owen.

The Monterey County District Attorney's Office just submitted the new case to the court May 27, according to a spokesperson.

Neither Carmel P.D. nor the district attorney's office could explain the delay.

# TOWER

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questions," Swanson told The Pine Cone this week, and the feedback "will inform our outside counsel to actually start a draft."

The city's lawyers haven't started writing the new law, but they are looking at the Stop group's draft, which runs 45 pages and will be included in the packet for Wednesday's meeting.


"The citizen version will be attached, and our counsel is reading through it," he said. Planning commissioners will consider whether "there are things this citizen draft accomplishes that ours should."


Based on information gathered at the June 8 meeting, the city's outside attorneys specializing in telecom law will return with their own draft in the next couple of months, and the planning commission will review the proposed law before forwarding it to the city council for further scrutiny and eventual adoption.

The commission's meeting is set to start at 4 p.m., and the full agenda packet, as well as information on how to join via Zoom, will be available at ci.carmel.ca.us.



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## MONTEREY RECREATION

Current COVID-19 protocols will be followed and are subject to change. **Registration is available online 24/7 at monterey.org/rec. Full program information is posted on the Monterey Recreation registration website. Questions? Email: montereyrecreation@monterey.org.**

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20220901

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**Royal Construction, 1649 Sierra Ave., Seaside, CA 93955**, County of Monterey  
Registered Owner(s):  
Tyler Roy, 1649 Sierra Ave., Seaside, CA 93955  
This business is conducted by an individual

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable  
S/ Tyler Roy  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/27/2022.  
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**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20220902

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**Good Car Guys, 349 East Market St., Salinas, CA 93901**, County of Monterey  
Registered Owner(s):  
Silicon Valley Automotive LLC, 7784 Oak Springs Circle, Gilroy, CA 95020; CA  
This business is conducted by a limited liability company

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable  
S/ Enzo Santini, Managing Member  
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5/13, 5/20, 5/27, 6/3/22  
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**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20220903

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**831 Media, 820 Altura Place, Del Rey Oaks, CA 93940**, County of Monterey  
Registered Owner(s):  
831 Catering LLC, 820 Altura Place, Del Rey Oaks, CA 93940; CA  
This business is conducted by a corporation  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable  
S/ Joseph Talley, Managing Member  
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5/13, 5/20, 5/27, 6/3/22  
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**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20220915

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **JSF FINANCIAL SOLUTIONS, 3850 Rio Road #68, Carmel, CA 93923**.  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
Registered Owner(s):  
JILL SUSAN FIRESTONE, 3850 Rio Rd. #68, Carmel, CA 93923.  
This business is conducted by an individual.

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**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/ Jill Susan Firestone  
Date signed: April 28, 2022.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 28, 2022.  
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ADVICE LETTER 1371: Central Satellite District:  
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# New athletic director at Catalina, local teams and alums shine

BESIDES BEING one symptom of coronavirus, headaches are a common affliction among perfectly healthy high school athletic directors, who since the 2020-21 school year have been tasked with rescheduling sports events, rearranging transportation plans, implementing testing and safety protocols, canceling entire seasons and coaxing frustrated coaches and student-athletes off the ledge.

Since the early days of the pandemic, the job has been even less fun than it sounds, but Santa Catalina School's newly hired AD can't wait to take it on.

"We managed to keep sports going through Covid, through lockdown, through everything. We never really shut down our athletic programs, other than a little bit, depending on the sport," said Kendra Klein, who comes to Catalina after seven years as an assistant athletic director at Louisville High, a private, all-girls Catholic school in Woodland Hills, in the San Fernando Valley region of Los Angeles.

## All-America honors

"The logistics of all that were very hard, but things are much easier now than they were a year ago. I'm really looking forward to the challenge," she said.

Challenges are really the whole point of

earned All-America honors in two individual events and on eight relay teams. In 2009, she was inducted into the school's athletic hall of fame.

She received a full-ride scholarship to Cal State Northridge, where she became a team captain and an NCAA Division I All-American in her senior year, helping the Matadors to a No. 15 national ranking.

## New age group

Klein coached water polo and swimming for 10 years at the college level, leading teams to championships at Santa Rosa Junior College and the University of Pacific, but has coached youth aquatics throughout her 17-year career. Most notably, she qualified four youth teams for the 2016 Junior Olympics.

She'll coach a yet-to-be-determined varsity sport at Santa Catalina, and also will be responsible for developing Catalina's pre-kindergarten through grade 8 lower and middle school physical education program.

"Being in charge of the P.E. department at the lower and middle school level will be new to me," she said. "I hope to create an environment that will make students want to stay at Santa Catalina when they continue on to high school."

Klein replaces Paul Elliott, who was a multi-sport coach and athletic director at Catalina for 13 years. Elliott will coach the new women's beach volleyball team at Southern Oregon University, where he was inducted into that school's hall of fame after compiling a .697 winning percentage head coach of the women's indoor team



PHOTOS/COURTESY KENDRA KLEIN.

Santa Catalina's new athletic director (left) has coached swimming and water polo for 17 years, the last seven at Louisville High, a private, all-girls Catholic School with 295 students in Woodland Hills. Kendra Klein (right) became an NCAA Division I All-American in water polo at Cal State-Northridge after earning All-America honors in both swimming and water polo at Santa Rosa JC, where she has been inducted into the school's hall of fame.

## Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

athletics, and Klein has been staring them down since she was a kid.

After a stellar athletic career at Summit County's Healdsburg High (Class of 2000), Klein moved on to Santa Rosa Junior College, where she became the first All-America water polo player in school history, and the Bay Valley Conference Player of the Year as a sophomore.

As a swimmer at Santa Rosa, she

from 1991-2006.

## ■ CCS, CIF updates

**Stevenson girls win softball crown:** Alex Dalhamer's 10th-inning single drove in Maya Chavez on Saturday to lift the Pirates to the first section softball championship in school history Saturday with a 2-1 victory over Prospect at San Jose Municipal Stadium.

Stevenson, seeded No. 2 in the Division V tournament, defeated Half Moon Bay 6-1 in the quarterfinal round, then routed Mills 12-1 in the semifinals to earn the title shot.

Chavez was on the basepaths prior to Dalhamer's single due to California's tie-breaker rule, which goes into effect in the

10th inning, mandating that each team automatically places a runner on second base to begin the inning. Dalhamer, who batted eighth in Stevenson's lineup, was a .226 hitter during the regular season.

Chavez drove in the Pirates' first run with her own clutch hit in the fourth inning, a single that drove in the tying run.

Sophomore pitcher Claren Wong whitewashed Prospect on two hits for the final six innings of the game.

The Pirates finished with a 14-11-1 overall record.

**Padres fall in baseball finals:** St. Francis scored three runs in the bottom of the seventh inning Friday for a come-from-behind 4-2 victory over Carmel in the

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# SPORTS

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championship game of the Central Coast Section Division IV baseball tournament. The game was played at San Jose Municipal Stadium.

The Padres took the early lead on RBI singles by Alex Harrison in the first inning and Jackson Bartholomew in the fourth, and carried a 2-1 edge into the final inning against the Sharks, who were playing for their first-ever CCS crown.

Sophomore lefty J.J. Sanchez, who had pitched five-hit ball through six innings, was replaced on the mound after allowing two runners to reach base in the top of the seventh. St. Francis tied the game with a suicide-squeeze play, took the lead with help from an error and sacrifice fly, then held on for the victory in the bottom of the inning.

Carmel finished its season with a 19-11 overall record.

**Locals sprint in state finals:** Stevenson's Evan Johnson placed fourth and Catalina's Juliette Kosmont finished eighth Saturday in the finals of the boys and girls 100-meter dash at the CIF State Track and Field Championships in Clovis.

Johnson, a senior, sprinted to a 10.48 clocking in the boys race, which was won in 10.30 by Junipero Serra's Rodrick Pleasant.

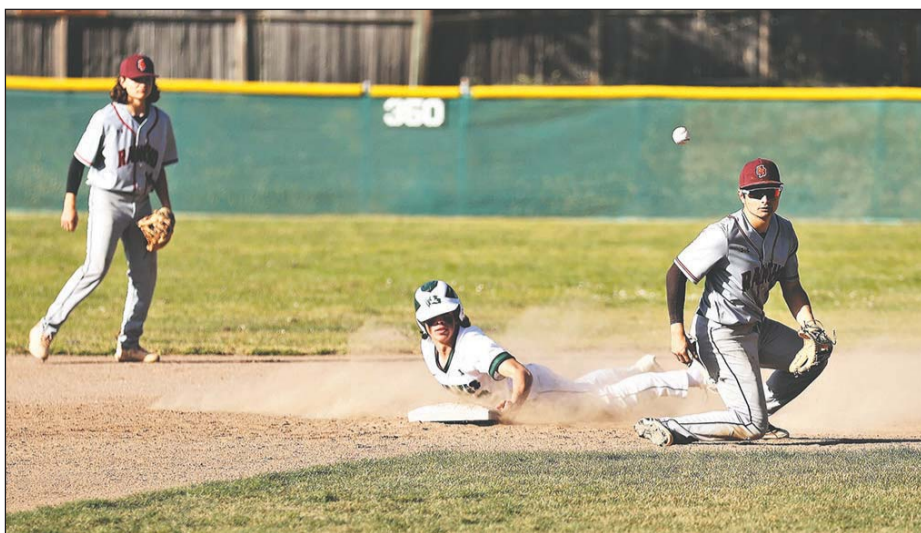
Kosmont, a junior, was timed in 11.95 in the girls event, won by Carlson's Rein Redmond in 11.56.

## Alumni watch

**Crabbe, partner win state title:** Carmel High alum Emma Crabbe and Santa Barbara City College teammate Kelissa Lemoine won the California Community College Athletic Association State Pairs Championship in women's beach volleyball on May 14 on Laser Beach at Irvine Valley with a straight set, 21-15, 21-18 victory.

"This game and this week, we really worked hard to prepare and figure out what we needed to do better," Crabbe said. "All of the teams were solid. Every game you are going to play here is going to be a really good game. It comes down to whether you can execute the things you have talked about. We were prepared."

"Our chemistry is good," Crabbe added about playing with Lemoine. "We are thankful to have really good coaches on our side. And our hustle is what makes us stand out. We never, ever give up."



PHOTO/KERRY BELSER

Rider McCormick, sliding into second base, was one of four Stevenson players named to the All-Cypress Division team. McCormick, a centerfielder, was also named Defensive Player of the Year in the Cypress.

# ASSESSOR

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resignation earlier this year after he accused tech entrepreneur Gary Kremen, who was planning to run against him, of sucking up to unions.

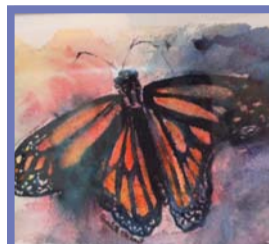
Kremen, meanwhile, withdrew from the race in February after he was accused by a former employee of sexual harassment — leaving Crockett and Stone as the only candidates.

Crockett graduated in 2003 from Carmel High, where he ran track and cross country. He later graduated from UC Santa

Cruz with political science and philosophy degrees and studied accounting at De Anza College.

While his education has helped prepare him for a career in public service, so did his experience growing up in Carmel Valley, where his family has long been recognized for their charitable efforts. His grandmother, the late Phyllis Crockett, and his father, Alan Crockett, are both recipients of the cherished Good Egg award, which annually honors Carmel Valley top volunteers.

"The people in my family have always been community leaders," Crockett told The Pine Cone. "If you have the ability to help, you do."



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## CARMEL HIGH CLASS OF 2022



# Editorial

## Still shrinking?

THANKS TO processing delays caused by Covid, many of the details from the 2020 census haven't been released yet, including the populations of small cities like Carmel. Nevertheless, we assume the Census Bureau had some idea what it was talking about when it estimated the 2020 resident population of Carmel at 3,222 — a number that surprised us because it's 13 percent lower than the official figure of 3,722 a decade ago, and a full 30 percent below the peak of 4,707 in 1980.

Sure, the conversion of full-time homes into second homes is still going on, but we were expecting a small uptick in the full-time population anyway, thanks to the coronavirus exodus from urban areas like San Francisco and New York. California may have high taxes and a stultifying business environment, but there are still plenty of people, especially rich people, who prefer the Carmel scenery and lifestyle to anything Texas or Florida has to offer. And thanks to the riches pouring in from Silicon Valley, many of today's wealthy are young and have families.

Judging from the number of strollers you see being pushed around the sidewalks of the Monterey Peninsula, doesn't it seem like there's a baby boom going on? It would seem to follow that the population has increased, too, but the census (so far) says no.

Regardless of external forces, the underlying facts driving down Carmel's and the Monterey Peninsula's population are still there — namely, the failure of local government to allow any new housing. Seaside and Marina may be getting a few thousand new units, thanks to all the land that became available after Fort Ord closed, but once you cross the border into Monterey, from there all the way out to Cachagua and as far south as the county line, only a handful of homes and apartments are added each year. Zoning is one reason and the other is water. The State of California may be requiring cities to approve new subdivisions in single-family neighborhoods, but until new water becomes available, even vacant lots in places like Pacific Grove and downtown Carmel will remain off limits.

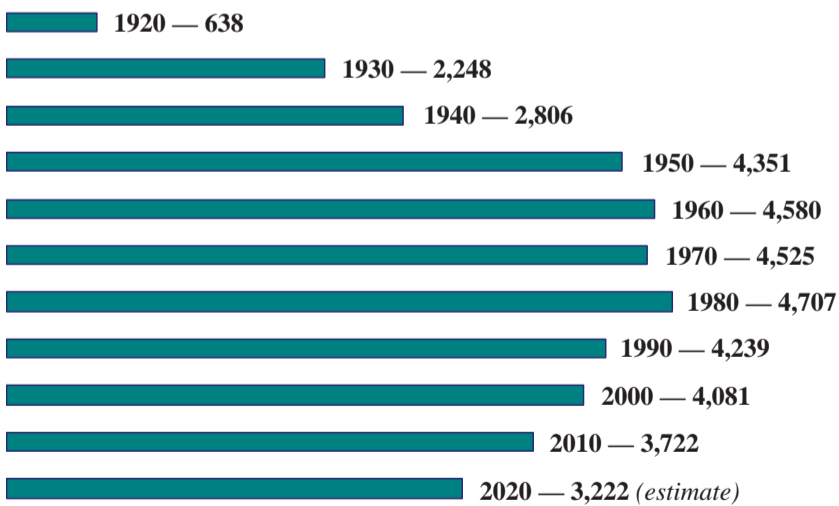
More generally, the population declines in our area are the result of the aggressive no-growth movement that's dominated Monterey Peninsula politics for the last 50 years — a movement that's been terrible for young people and blue collar workers who need places to live, but very good for the environment and for the quality of life and the pocketbooks of the people who already own homes. For everybody else, "solutions" like inclusionary housing and rent control are just a bunch of empty words. The one and only answer is more housing.

Developers would be happy to build several dozen \$350,000 townhomes on 1,000-square-foot lots on the outskirts of Carmel or in the valley. Banks would be happy to finance them and young families would line up around the block to buy them.

But not one Peninsula community would allow them to be built.

The lack of affordable housing on the Monterey Peninsula isn't an accident, and will just continue to get worse and worse, which means the population in many places will continue to decline.

### Carmel-by-the-Sea population 1920 – 2020



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### Palo Corona trail concerns

Dear Editor,

It is sad that the Monterey Peninsula Park District in its 50th year of good public land stewardship would bring forth its largest land impact project and claim it is exempt from environmental and traffic impact review because it is a special district. This allowance provided the park district with the legal cover to undertake the project with none of the standard practices of environmental and public review and sensitive wildlife survey preconstruction and protective measures during construction. The running course presented as a cross county running trail is actually a 14-foot-wide road constructed by approximately 10,000 cubic yards of grading and 5,000 cubic yards of decomposed granite fill with the majority of this work in a designated wildlife corridor and adjacent to existing wetlands within the floodplain of the Carmel River. This amount of fill is

way beyond the 100 tons mentioned in the April 15 Carmel Pine Cone article about this project.

The MPRPD made commitments to the 5 state funding agencies to allow the property to be acquired with public funds. The district agreed to very clear language to protect and enhance sensitive species and habitat existing on the former golf course, protect the 1,000-foot-wide wildlife corridor and to provide low impact ("light touch") access to the property and across to Palo Corona mountain area. The constructed road is not at all consistent with the district's commitments for use of public funds in the property acquisition. Nor is this project consistent with the park's general development plan for trail creation or enhancement.

It is also sad that the district has missed the opportunity in a time of great need to heal the earth to not have brought forth a project more consistent with its motto, "Preserving and Protecting Parks and Open Space."

I believe it is important for the public and the district management to examine the direction this project has taken the district and to consider how it will impact the future of the park, its public use and how funding for potential restoration and enhancement of the park will be impacted.

Scott Hennessy, Corral de Tierra

### 'Busybody professor'

Dear Editor,

Here we go again! A busybody professor from CSUMB thinks there "might

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# Alton Walker's very fanciful flight

WHEN PARK Chung-hee, president of the Republic of South Korea, arrived at The Lodge in 1969 via a U.S. Marine helicopter landing on the 18th Fairway of Pebble Beach Golf Links (subject of last week's column), one journalist jokingly referred to the golf course as the "Pebble Beach International Airport." On rare occasions, other aircraft have landed at Pebble Beach, but I know of only one other on the 18th Fairway. That flight also delivered a

to prepare the course for the 1992 U.S. Open. One of the more unusual photos Elmer showed me was not in the photo album. It was in a full-page advertisement for Del Monte Lodge that appeared on the back cover of Game and Gossip magazine throughout 1952.

The photo in these 1952 ads showed the view from The Lodge terrace, looking out over Carmel Bay with dining tables on the lawn below the Lodge. The beautiful view catches one's immediate attention. Comparing it to the view from 1991, one also notes there were many more trees at the time. Then one notices an open channel running toward the 18th Green, and just beyond the channel, an airplane. What was an airplane doing there? Elmer didn't know.

### Mystery plane

He and his sister were retired schoolteachers from Oakland. They had been working with the company archive materials and going through newspapers for about three years and had not found any reference that would explain the airplane. We each tucked it in our mental files for one of the many mysteries we'd like to solve.

Several years later, while searching for something else (that is often how discoveries happen), I stumbled across a meaningful clue. On page 15 of the November 1946 What's Doing magazine, I read an article titled "Pebble Beach Golf Affairs." The photo from the 1952 ads appeared at the bottom of the page, giving it a much earlier date. The article was previewing 1947 events including the first Crosby and the return of the U.S. Amateur. It also included a brief recap of the 1946 California Amateur. The key paragraph on the plane read:

"A gallery of over 4,000 watched the match, some of whom can be seen in the photo below on the 18th Green of the

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## History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

president, but not a national one. More on that later.

One of the early purchasers at Pebble Beach in 1922 was Lord Carbery, a noted early aviator who sold his castle in Ireland and lived mostly in Kenya, where he had a coffee plantation. He built a home on what became known as Carbery Knoll — the heights along the southwestern edge of the Sunridge Road loop east of Ronda Road. It was likely Carbery's influence that led Sam Morse to create an early airfield near the horse stables — where today's Pebble Beach Golf Academy is located.

### Don't spook the horses

The early planes disturbed the horses and the airfield didn't last. Still, that area was later used to land the helicopter commissioned by Ed Haber to transport golfers, including Arnold Palmer, from Quail Lodge to Pebble Beach during the 1972 U.S. Open. It was used again for helicopters when firefighters were battling the blaze that tore through part of Pebble Beach in 1987.

When I began working with Pebble Beach Co. as the golf operations manager in 1991, I often conferred with our volunteer archivists, Elmer and Elena Lagorio. We were sourcing early photos of the course to guide the work being done



PHOTO/JULIAN P. GRAHAM PHOTO, PEBBLE BEACH CO. LAGORIO ARCHIVE

Alongside Alton Walker's Culver Cadet airplane, near the 18th Hole, Tex Schramm Sr. (left), president of the California Golf Association, congratulates Eli Bariteau Jr. (right), medalist in the 1946 State Amateur tournament. Pebble Beach pro Peter Hay officiates.

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

# Seeking a fearless artist? Try an elementary classroom.

INSPIRING NEXT-GENERATION artists has been a 50-year priority for Cherie Rousseau, who loves creating her own artwork — paintings, sculptures, drawings, glasswork, weaving, printmaking, photographs, puppets, jewelry, and film animation — but is even happier when she's teaching.

The Pebble Beach resident has devoted her adult life to art education, instructing students from preschool age through college level, and there's still nothing she'd rather do.

"The younger ones are really my passion," said Rousseau, who will teach three

Pointers for Painters, July 18-22, will introduce tempera, acrylics and watercolor painting techniques to the young artists, along with elements of design and composition. Students will paint from their own ideas.

And from July 25-29, in a class called Puppetmaking Adventures, kids will construct their own puppets using socks, sticks, shadows and papier maché, and will participate in spontaneous play-acting to help develop social skills and put their imaginations to work. Scenery and props also will be produced.

Rousseau's personal portfolio is diverse and imaginative, favoring vibrantly colorful paintings — usually in acrylic — as well as sculptures, fine art photography and, most recently, glasswork.

"The stained-glass panels I'm doing right now are huge — 5 or 6 feet long and 24 inches deep," she said. "They're actually two pieces — stained glass glued to a clear glass, then grouted — and that creative process is very exciting for me."

### Proud accomplishment

A proud artistic accomplishment, she said, was an acrylic piece she created on ripstop-nylon — 16 feet long by 4 feet tall, painted on both sides — which won the Laguna Beach Banner Contest in 1990.

"I had only moved to Laguna Beach the year before and I was living in a little studio apartment. I made that banner on my living room floor, using cardboard to protect the carpet," said Rousseau, who won \$600 for the banner, which was displayed at a Japanese restaurant. "It was turquoise, blue and gold, which looked magnificent in the sun, and I painted huge fish swimming in a circle."

She also painted large murals for businesses in Laguna Beach.

Rousseau remembered falling head-over-heels for art as an elementary-school student in Massachusetts and credits a high school art teacher with ushering her to the next level with his encouragement.

"Our high school was brand new, with a beautiful art room. We even had a potter's wheel," she recalled. "Mr. Phelps was very supportive of me, and actually chose me to spend six Saturdays in an art program at the Boston Fine Arts Museum when I was a junior."

"He had a very open-ended kind of teaching style, which I appreciated even more when I got to college, where they want

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## Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

workshops for 6 to 10-year-olds in July, five days a week, 10 a.m. to noon each day, at the Pacific Grove Art Center.

"Younger students are always fearless and excited," said Rousseau, who has no children of her own. "I see myself as a facilitator as much as an instructor — I try to set things up so they're discovering things on their own. Last week I put out turquoise, magenta and white, and a brand-new student said, 'I just made purple!'"

### Art workshops for kids

From July 11-15, in a workshop called Drawing Dynamics, Rousseau's students will learn to draw from real life and their imaginations using pen and ink, colored pencils, pastels and markers. Kids also will invent cartoon characters and work on a story illustration.



PHOTO/DENNIS TAYLOR

Pebble Beach resident Cherie Rousseau does paintings, sculptures, printmaking, fine-art photography, jewelry, and film animation, but her true passion is teaching art to children.



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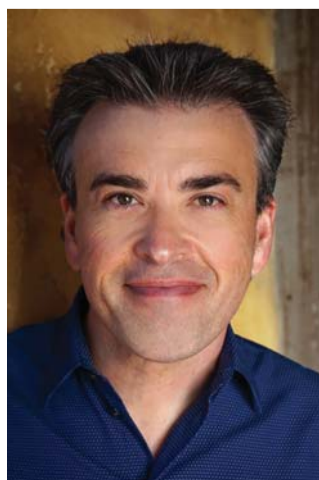
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# Learning about the night skies doesn't have to dim their brilliance

By ELAINE HESSER

THE SOVIET Union launched Sputnik in 1957. Pebble Beach resident Terry Alfriend was a high school senior that October and said the little beeping satellite

## Great Lives

By ELAINE HESSER

"piqued my interest" in space travel as it made its way across the night sky.

He and his wife, Bonnie, grew up in Danville, Va. (population around 30,000 or 40,000), where most people worked at a cotton mill. A high school counselor had told Alfriend that based on his math and science abilities, "You may want to be an engineer," but Alfriend said he didn't even know what that meant at the time.

His dad, a yarn salesman at the mill, had taken him to its research department. "He introduced one of the people as 'Dr.

so-and-so,'" Alfriend recalled. "But I wanted to know how he could be a doctor. He didn't have any patients." It was his first encounter with someone with a Ph.D.

As Bonnie related the story, her high school sweetheart and husband of more than 60 years was a big man on campus, the captain of the football, baseball and basketball teams — and he excelled academically. After they graduated in a class of about 200 students, Alfriend

went to Virginia Tech, where he earned his Bachelor of Science in engineering mechanics in 1962.

He took a job with Lockheed in Sunnyvale, where the company had money to send him to graduate school at Stanford University. He got his master's in engineering mechanics and became an astrodynamist — someone who studies how things move in outer space.

Lockheed transferred him to Huntsville, Ala. He worked in support of NASA and garnered a fellowship at Virginia Tech,

where he earned his Ph.D. in 1967. He found a teaching job at Cornell University, which also allowed him to pursue research.

Alfriend was a visiting professor at the Naval Postgraduate School — "I taught two astronauts," he recalled — and now works at Texas A&M University, where he is a University Distinguished Professor and holder of the Jack E. and Frances Brown Chair II in the department of aerospace engineering. He and Bonnie divide their time between Texas and their beautiful residence here.

"This is home," said Bonnie, from their living room overlooking the ocean.

### What does he do?

When she slipped out of the room for a moment, her husband proudly said that she had re-designed and remodeled the house in 1994. She has a lot of experience working with homebuilders, and she's been a consultant on planned housing developments. But as soon as Bonnie returned, she refocused all the attention on her husband.

The two of them talked about how after the Berlin Wall came down in 1989, Alfriend began to participate with Russian scientists on projects. He was able to visit



PHOTO/BONNIE ALFRIEND

Terry Alfriend, shown at his Pebble Beach home, is an astrodynamist who teaches at Texas A&M and researches how things move in space.

Moscow and invited Russian scientists to his home to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Sputnik.

Alfriend has written or co-authored more than 200 papers easily found in a quick online search, and has a list of awards and honors as long as your arm. He has been an editor or associate editor of several scientific journals.

You might be thinking, "That's all very nice, but what does he do, exactly?" These days, he's working on something everyone's familiar with: junk. While you've been sorting your compostables from

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# GAVEL

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structures, including 10 residences. The fire also ruined multiple condor nesting structures, killed 12 condors, and injured several more.

California State Parks and Recreation officers, Big Sur Volunteer Firefighters, Monterey County Sheriff's Sgt. Brian Hoskins, detective Michael Smith, detective David Gonzalez, detective Arras Wilson, deputy Jesse Villasenor and the Ventana Wildlife Society investigated the case. The U.S. Forest Service Region 5 Wildland Fire Investigation Team of Grand Ealy, Matt Swanson, Cooper Fouch, Sean West and Jeremiah Laudenslager also assisted with the investigation.

# ALFRIEND

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recyclables and trash to keep the landfill from getting too full, Alfriend's had his eyes on the space around Earth, which is also becoming a bit cluttered.

"Ask him how many things he's watching. He always knows what's up there," said Bonnie. Alfriend said he's "roughly" tracking 25,000 objects in space at any one time. About 10 percent of them came from one accidental collision between two commercial satellites — one Russian, one American — in 2009.

The smallest pieces being tracked are 10 centimeters in diameter — approximately the size of a softball, Alfriend said. He takes data from many different radar facilities and puts it together to follow the flotsam and jetsam.

It's 238,900 miles to the moon, and most satellites orbit the earth at an altitude between 1,200 and 22,000 miles, which sounds like a lot of room. But while Sputnik only lasted three months before it burned up while reentering Earth's atmosphere, other satellites take up space for much longer. For example, Vanguard, a satellite launched by the United States in 1958, hasn't functioned since 1964, but according to NASA, it may stay in orbit for as long as 240 more years.

"It's getting crowded up there," confirmed Alfriend. "There are already more than 100,000 objects," in the space around our planet, many of which are still too small to detect. That makes maneuvering spaceships and other objects more challenging. In a 2021 article on the subject, NASA wrote, "Since both the debris and spacecraft are traveling at extremely high speeds (approximately 15,700 mph in low Earth orbit), an impact of even a tiny piece of orbital debris with a spacecraft could create big problems."

### Solar eclipses

Alfriend said that when the United States was launching space shuttles, many of them returned with at least one damaged window from encounters with space junk, and one came back with a Texas Instruments computer chip embedded in its bay door. He added that the International Space Station needs to be maneuvered out of the way of debris three or four times a year. Just Google "International Space Station and space junk" — you can see videos of some of the damage.

When he's not tracking the manmade stuff, Alfriend still enjoys stargazing. He and Bonnie traveled to see the total solar eclipse in 2017, and they are looking forward to the next one in 2024. "It's unbelievable," he said. "There's nothing like it." It's good to know that even someone who can peer into the workings of the heavens can still be gobsmailed by the view.



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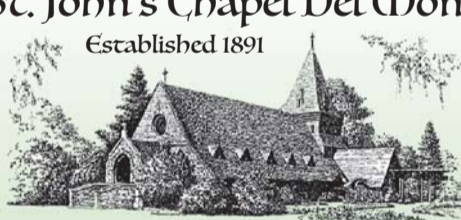
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**Previous Action:** The City's Traffic Safety Committee (TSC) held a public meeting on January, 26, 2022. The TSC unanimously recommended adding all way stop signs to the City Council.

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# LETTERS

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be" a rare plant species (the Monterey gilia) that would be threatened by the proposed redevelopment of the Yelamanchili residence in Pebble Beach. Fred Watson states that five years ago Monterey gilia was found by a biologist 400 feet from the property and there is a reasonably large population of the plant 1,100 feet away from the property. He appears to be saying that "it's possible" the seeds from nearby gilia plant could have blown onto the property and it wouldn't be surprising that it grows on the Yelamanchili property.

Are you kidding me? I suppose every single property within a mile or two "could possibly" have some Monterey gilia seeds.

Are we to stop all development and redevelopment in Pebble Beach in order to protect the Monterey gilia that seems to grow just fine in nearby protected areas? Will the Yelamanchilis have to wait another year for approval of their residential redevelopment so a team of busybody biologists can survey their property next Spring in the hopes of finding a flowering Monterey gilia ... or maybe a few seeds?

I hope the Monterey County Planning Commission does the right thing and dismisses Watson's concerns. Private property rights should still mean something.

**Michael Winer, Monterey**

## 'Unreasonable expectations'

Dear Editor,

The disappointment of the students at CHS over the lights is certainly understandable. As one who graduated from CHS when the adobe bricks were new, I can appreciate school spirit, use of the field and how impactful the high school years are. The story here, unfortunately, is not about their disappointment, but rather the premature expectations created by the associated student body advisor, the CUSD superintendent and other leaders and adults without first vetting the project with the community and all stakeholders.

Certainly all of us in the community are interested at providing our young people all the resources necessary to grow up as thoughtful and responsible members of our society, but all members of the community must be taken into consideration when considering the effect that the lights will have on them as well.

To the students who expressed disappointment at not getting the lights right away, please don't let this issue dim your excitement, enthusiasm or effort at creating a better world as you have your entire life ahead of you. In fact, please let this "real world" experience be a lesson that one should always question the accuracy of what people may say with a goal of developing strong critical thinking skills mixed in with a healthy dose of skepticism.

I question where the adults were in the room or on the field for that matter to create unreasonable expectations for the young people.

**Robert Kahn, Carmel**

## Biasotti on Odello, Steck

Dear Editor,

I'm writing to thank you for the recent article by Mary Schley regarding the two candidates running for the Monterey County School Board District 1 seat. I personally know both candidates, Annette Yee Steck and Jake Odello, and believe the author did an excellent job of showcasing the many attributes of each.

During my 35-year career in Carmel Unified, the last 15 as superintendent, I worked directly with Steck in 22 of her 27 years on the school board. Through my work in

the district, I also came to know Odello when he repeatedly stepped forward as a student leader to represent his peers on various initiatives. I believe the electorate will be well served by either candidate. However, it's the oversight function of the Monterey County Office of Education that caused me to conclude that Annette Yee Steck is the better choice for this role. By law, county offices provide various forms of oversight over local districts and charter schools, including:

- approve each district's annual budget and two interim financial reports

- ensure each district's sound financial operations, and take specific actions if a district may not be able to meet its financial obligations

- monitor the quality of school facilities, instructional materials, and teacher qualifications

- support the work of the County Superintendent of Schools in reviews of each district's local control accountability plan.

As Mary Schley accurately portrayed, Steck is a genuine expert in school finance. In fact, because of this expertise, for more than two decades the California School Boards Association has selected her to head the school finance component of its masters in governance training program for school board members. Combine that with 27 years of successful experience as a school board trustee of a district renown across the state for the quality of its instructional programs, teachers, and school facilities, and I must give the nod to Annette Yee Steck.

**Marvin Biasotti, Carmel**

## Cheers for health department

Dear Editor,

I would like to give a round of applause to the Monterey County Health Department and especially Joselyn Aguayo, my case worker.

I recently contracted Covid-19 and, unfortunately, I infected my wife and another individual. I had tested positive on a Saturday at home and at Montage Health in Carmel. This was after the previous four days of at home and PCR tests that showed negative. My only symptoms were a cold-like cough with nasal congestion. My wife and I quarantined, took Paxlovid, and are fine now.

The health department contacted me twice by email after diagnosis, which I ignored. Soon afterwards, Joselyn Aguayo contacted me by phone to check on my symptoms, progress and history of exposure. She was professional, knowledgeable, and courteous. Several days later she called again as a follow up. She informed me, based on CDC and county health department guidelines, that enough time had passed and I was now Covid free and could return to work. She also sent me a letter of self-attestation to present to my employer.

I can't say enough good things about my experience with the Monterey County Health Department. I was

impressed by their personal attention to my case. I can only assume they also contact other Monterey County residents who contract Covid.

My hats off to them for a job well done.

**Fritz Renner, Monterey**

## Best choice for Congress

Dear Editor,

Eighty-three percent of Americans agree the United States is on the wrong track. Our Congressional incumbent is an integral part of the problem, bringing us high gas prices (by removing energy independence), high crime (by defunding police), enhancing power of the cartels (who have brought 107,000 fentanyl deaths to our young adults), and by fueling inflation (by reckless spending). Dalila Epperson is not beholden to the big money out of state financiers of the incumbent. She is an energetic fighter, who stands for energy independence, funding for wildfire prevention, supporting our police and standing for school choice and parental rights. Let's give her the chance to bring some fresh air into Washington.

**Dr. C. Michael Hogan, Monterey**

## 'Dedicated, honest'

Dear Editor,

I voted for Dawn Addis in the Assembly District 30 race. I did so because Addis is a 20-year proven leader who shares my priorities: protecting women's reproductive rights, addressing climate change, protecting our coast, reducing gun violence, providing affordable housing, preventing homelessness and, importantly for more than half of our citizens, addressing meteoric rising rents. Addis is dedicated, honest, innovative, principled and will work hard on our behalf. I hope others will join with me in voting for Dawn Addis for Assembly District 30 on June 7.

**Paula Pelot, Marina**

## 'Integrity, compassion, experience'

Dear Editor,

I first heard Dawn Addis speak at a candidate's forum, and I was immediately impressed that she knew the issues of our Central Coast. She listens, her heart is in our entire Assembly district, and she won't go to Sacramento and forget about us. Please join me in voting for Dawn Addis, someone with integrity, compassion, experience, and someone who will never do any negative campaigning.

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# HISTORY

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famed Pebble Beach course. In the foreground, Del Monte Lodge guests watch while lunching on the terrace. The airplane, which caused something of a sensation when it landed on the course during the tournament, belonged to local air enthusiast Alton Walker.”

This gave a name and a date. The California Amateur had been played in early October. Alton Walker (1904-1989) was a well-known character in Pebble Beach history. I knew of him as a car enthusiast. He is the individual who suggested the first Pebble Beach Concours d’Elegance to accompany the first Pebble Beach Road Race in November 1950. Five of Walker’s cars were in that first Concours — three from pre-1908 along with a 1916 Buick and a more modern 1948 MG-TC. But this was the first reference I’d seen to him being an “air enthusiast.”

### Met in the choir

It turns out airplanes supported Walker’s car collecting. Walker was born and raised in Kansas City, Mo. His early career there was advertising sales for the American Hereford Journal, which his father lunched in 1910. He met his wife while singing in the choir of the Presbyterian Church where her father was the pastor. They married in 1926. He traveled to cattle shows across the Midwest and enjoyed

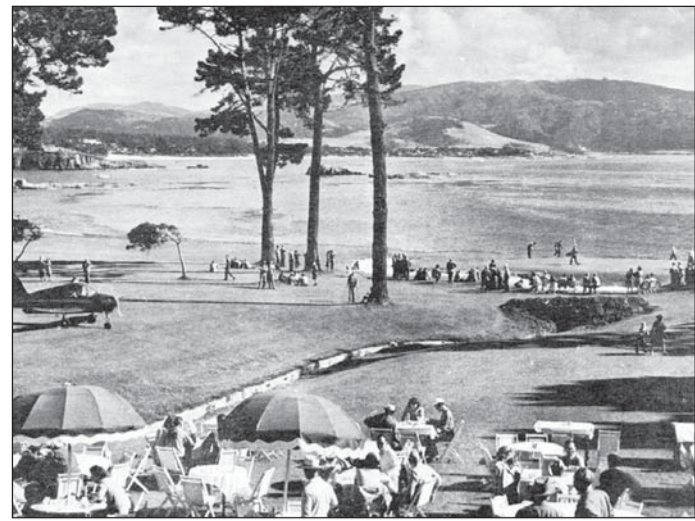
owning fine cars and soon airplanes for his travel.

His enthusiasm for air travel led to his forming Western Airplane Distributors, buying and selling new and used aircraft. He closed a deal in September 1935 to sell to seven-passenger planes to the Mexican airline, Transportes Aereos del Pacifico, shortly before starting a new adventure.

### Left in Antarctica

Earlier in 1935, Walker purchased a unique used airplane. It was the seven-passenger Fairchild FC-2W2 named Stars and Stripes that Richard Byrd used on his first two expeditions in the Antarctic. For three years, Byrd left it in a hangar carved from ice before digging it out on his third expedition in 1934 and shipping it to New York where it was restored and re-licensed. Walker bought the aircraft in July 1934 and hired Byrd’s pilot, Ralph Smith, for a planned two-year world tour that Walker would fund with evening flights for people at stops along the way.

The plane crisscrossed the United States for about a year, making stops that included a few days at the Salinas airport in April 1936. Then, in early 1937, Walker took his wife and sister-in-law on a four-month trip with stops in China, Japan, the Philippines and the South Seas, but not in the plane. They traveled by freighter. The old plane was not up to it. Today the plane is in the Smithsonian Institution.



PHOTO/JULIAN P. GRAHAM PHOTO, GAME AND GOSSIP MAGAZINE, NOV. 1946

This 1946 photo with an airplane near the 18th Hole of Pebble Beach Golf Links was a mystery to company historians for several years.

In July 1937, Walker gave a talk at his father-in-law’s church and showed color movies from the freighter trip. In February 1938, Walker brought his travelogue to Carmel’s American Legion Post and decided to stay.

Walker bought a home on Carmel Point and in November 1938 negotiated the exclusive contract to operate commercial flights in and out of the Monterey airport. In 1941, the Walkers moved to Pebble Beach. Walker’s contract with the airport ended in 1946, but he continued to sell airplanes there. In November 1945, Walker became the Northern California dealer for Culver Aircraft Corp. of Wichita, Kan.

In 1946, Tex Schramm Sr. of the San Gabriel Country Club was president of the California Golf Association. During the qualifying round of the State Amateur on Oct. 1, 1946, Walker flew Schramm up to the tournament in one of his Culver Cadet airplanes and landed him right on the 18th Fairway. With that information we solved the mystery from the 1952 ads.

An interesting aside: Walker’s father-in-law, Dr. Harry Clayton Rogers, became the founding pastor of the Carmel Presbyterian Church in 1953. It met at the Carmel Woman’s Club building until September 1955, when Rogers dedicated their new building at the corner of Junipero and Mountain View.

# ARTIST

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you to put your own take and ideas into everything you make.”

Rousseau enrolled at Syracuse University, where she found herself among more than 200 fine arts students (daunting for a girl raised in a village of about 5,000) as she worked her way toward a bachelor’s degree in design and visual communications. (Fun fact: her parents gave her a weaving loom as a graduation present.). She remained at Syracuse to earn a master’s in art education.

Rousseau was married two weeks after collecting her master’s degree and found a job in the art department of a department store, but quickly decided it wasn’t what she wanted.

“I was basically just blowing up or shrinking images of items they sold in the store — lawnmowers and things,” she said. “I came home crying after the second day, and told my husband, ‘I cannot have gone through four years of art school for this!’”

At a time when teachers were in short supply, Rousseau was hired to start an art education program at a local elementary school, a job that changed her life.

“My mother was an elementary school teacher, and I had seen how she functioned at home — the way she prepared for her job — and I came into that profession with a really good feel for what the job required,” she said. “I seemed to be a bit of a natural.”

She taught for three years in Upstate New York, then Rousseau and her husband, a doctoral student, moved to Boulder, Colo., where she taught art at an elementary school, plus classes in weaving and design at Colorado University.

### West to Laguna Beach

After a 10-year marriage, she migrated westward again, settling near Laguna Beach, where she taught community and school art classes, worked at a gallery and embedded herself in the local bohemian culture.

“I had a wonderful experience there and really got exposed to a lot of artists,” she said. “My circle of friends had mainly been teachers, but that really changed when I went to Laguna Beach.”

In 2000, Rousseau moved again, this time to the Monterey Peninsula, where, most notably, she spent 15 years as an instructor of the summer arts programs at All Saints Day School in Carmel Valley.

“They ended the program in 2017, but I really loved doing that,” she said. “I taught a sculpture class called Create a Pet, a class in wooden-stool decorating, and one in stained-glass mosaics.”

### Working with children

Rousseau also taught art for four years, one or twice each week, at St. Dunstan’s preschool in Carmel Valley just prior to the pandemic.

“I love working with children of that age. They’re just so loving, and they say the funniest things,” she said. “One little kid’s question to me was, ‘Cherie, how come you always wear the same shoes?’”

And she worked for nine years with Carmel Valley sculptor Paul Wilson, enhancing her own abilities by learning to carve various woods using power tools.

Rousseau’s three weeklong July workshops at the Pacific Grove Art Center (568 Lighthouse Ave.) cost \$250 per child (materials included), and are limited to eight children per class. Contact her at cherierousseau@yahoo.com or (831) 206-4246.

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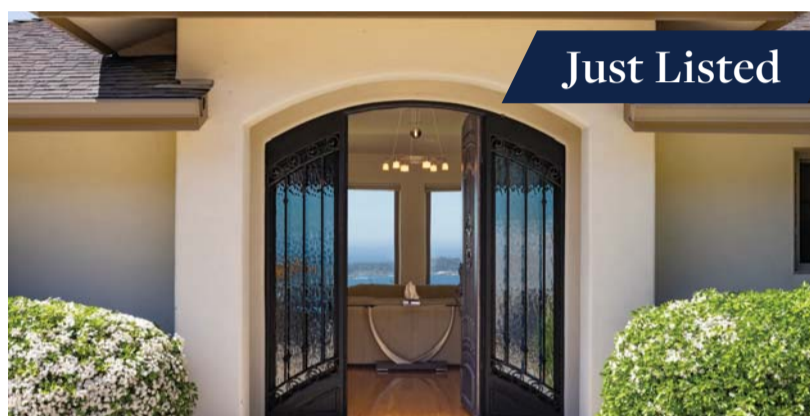
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CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

Internships, trips abroad and unexpected blessings for this year's valedictorians

By ELAINE HESSER

*"Every new beginning comes from some other beginning's end." — Seneca (Roman philosopher)*

**THE CLASS** of 2022 might know those words from "Closing Time," a still-popular song that set Seneca to music six years before this year's seniors were born. Amid the balloons and the applause, graduation is like pausing on a bridge.

The past is already taking on a gauzy, golden sheen. Ahead lie myriad possibilities. Just look at the graduates — athletes with trophies and varsity letters, artists with blue ribbons, thespians and musicians who have performed to great applause, and those whose academic achievements are less visible — the class valedictorians. Without further ado, allow us to introduce them.

#### Carmel High School

Carmel High School is part of a national trend — recognizing exceptional academic performance by setting a high bar (using a somewhat complicated system of standards that include grades and required classes/credits) and declaring that anyone who reaches it, is worthy of being called a

valedictorian.

There are 19 such students in the CHS class of 2022: Jack Arnold, Giana Buraglio, Amelia Capote, Colleen Cordell, Adeline Crabbe, Stephen Dean, Emily Kamler, Valerie Kraut, Gabriella Mendoza, Brooke Miller, Nina Robertson, Christopher Seybold, Ariana Smith, Tristan Staehle, Isabel Twomey, Darrell Wang, Liliana Weisenfeld, Oliver Whittaker and Anastasia Zolotova. Several volunteered to share their experiences with *The Pine Cone*.

Stephen Dean is headed to Santa Clara University, where he'll study computer coding. He's already taken college-level courses at MPC and will continue there this summer. "The field is really blowing up," he said. "There are a ton of career opportunities." A senior English project — making a cookbook — introduced him to the joy of baking and he also enjoyed playing the clarinet in the school band and with Youth Music Monterey.

"Busy" was the word Valerie Kraut used to describe her high school years. A triple-threat athlete, she was captain of the varsity field hockey and soccer teams, and

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(Starting from top left) Stephen Dean, Emily Kamler, Valerie Kraut, Jack Arnold, Nina Robertson, Tristan Staehle, Oliver Whittaker and Gabriella Mendoza, some of Carmel High School's valedictorians.



## CONGRATULATIONS!

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## A bumpy ride for local athletes

By DENNIS TAYLOR

**OUR HIGH** school merry-go-round typically includes four rotations around the carousel — freshman, sophomore, junior, and senior years — but the Class of 2022 was deprived of the full ride.

The coronavirus pandemic robbed this year's graduating seniors of a year-and-a-half of that experience, canceling homecomings and proms, plays, concerts and parties, entire athletic seasons, age-old traditions and in-person education.

Humans are resilient, adapting to circumstances as best they can, but the pandemic presented challenges — physical, emotional, and cerebral — for this year's graduates.

### Looking for positives

"I try to look for the positive side, rather than regret it — I still had a good time — but right now I probably remember a lot of the negative aspects of the pandemic that I saw when I was living through it," said Kaly De La Vega, who came to Monterey's Santa Catalina School as a boarding student from Culiacán, Mexico.

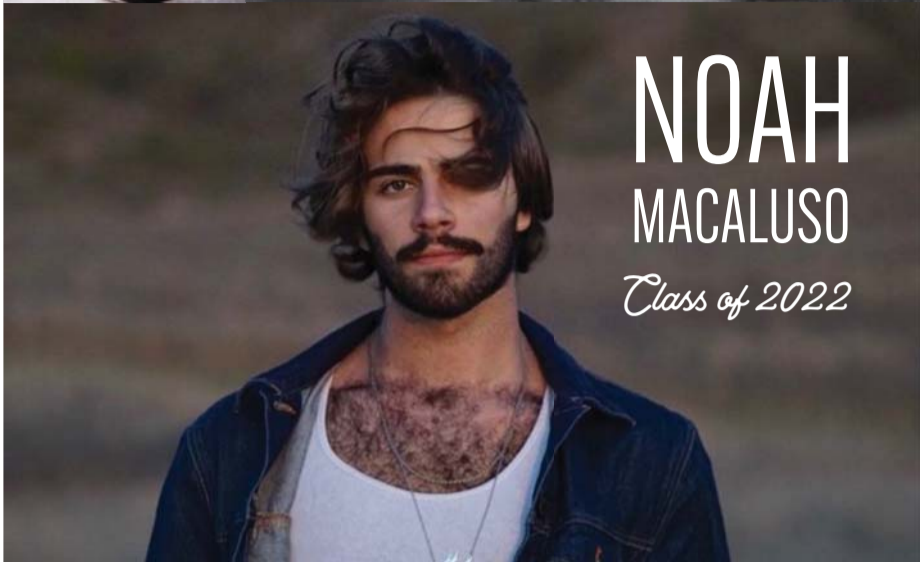
"When Covid hit and they sent everybody home, my first reaction was, 'Whoo-hoo ... a break!'" she said. "I felt confident that school was likely to open up again pretty quickly and when I went back to Mexico, I honestly never imagined that our school would be closed for such a long time."

In the spring of 2020, teachers, coaches and administrators scrambled to find ways to keep students safe and maintain as much normalcy as possible.

"We were on a bus in the spring of 2020 when we learned we weren't going to continue our varsity softball season, and



Addie Crabbe of Carmel High (top) and Darnell Adler of Stevenson School were two of the student-athletes whose seasons were short-circuited by Covid.



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## Dancers see futures on and offstage

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

**ENROLLED IN** preschool ballet classes at ages 3, 4 or 5, they sat on the dance floor with the soles of their feet pressed together and bounced their knees like butterfly wings. A dozen years later, they leap across the stage, then land *en pointe* without a sound, lifting off again as if gravity were a mere technicality.

These are the principal dancers of The Dance Center in Carmel, preparing for high school graduation, poised to take a leap of faith into their futures.

Proficient in ballet, jazz and contemporary dance, they exhibited enough early promise that their parents had them home-schooled to ensure a balanced focus on academics and dance. Some never attended a public school, while others chose to go to Carmel High School.

**Discovering acting**

In January 2020, Alexa Julian planned to participate in the prestigious Joffrey Ballet Conservatory Pre-Professional Program in Chicago, but Covid canceled that. She reevaluated her plans and enrolled in CHS to have a traditional high school experience. But in March, the campus closed, forcing her to learn from home.

After graduation, Julian will spend summer traveling through Europe, then will move to West Hollywood to pursue acting and commercial dance.

"Last year we were studying online and I decided to see what I could do besides dance. Although I'd had no acting experience," said Julian, "I'm passionate about it. In four days, I put together a monologue, head shots and a resume, and I auditioned for the Stella Adler Conservatory in New York."

Julian was surprised to get an interview and shocked when she was accepted, one



Alexa Julian is a talented dancer, but during the pandemic she decided to pursue acting, possibly in New York City.

of 15 students to participate in the five-week program.

"I think they wanted someone with a different perspective and I think my dance training offered that," she said. "What I learned most is that acting is what I want to do. I'm hoping to get an assistant director or producer job and to get into the typical routine of auditioning and acting, ultimately in New York. I love that busy hustle lifestyle."

**A year early**

Norah Takehara, 17, will continue to

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also played lacrosse. She has performed on the saxophone and clarinet, and is a vice president of This Club Saves Lives, a school service organization. During Covid, she said, "I went for runs by myself on the beach every morning," to help her cope with the isolation. She'll enter a pre-med program in the Honors College at the University of Utah this fall, en route to becoming a physician assistant.



Izzy Twomey

Nina Robertson expressed a universal sentiment — the last four years have been "pretty weird," thanks to Covid-19. Nevertheless, she said she "loved the small, tight community of students and teachers," at CHS. The varsity volleyball player volunteers at the Monterey Bay Aquarium, where she explains exhibits to visitors. After a summer trip to France and Scotland, she'll major in biology at UCLA. "It's been my dream to be a dentist," she said, citing great experiences with her orthodontist, Dr. Garrett Criswell, and her dentist, Dr. Matthew Miller.



Liliana Weisenfeld

Isabel Twomey — Izzy, to those who know her — loves languages and will major in linguistics or psychology (possibly both) at Wellesley College in Massachusetts. She said her interest came partly from J.R.R. Tolkien's books, with their invented languages. Twomey will pursue her passion this summer with short courses at Oxford University in England, including one on Tolkien. She added that the pandemic led her to a

greater appreciation for her classmates. "They're a really great group of people," she said.

UC Berkeley will welcome Liliana Weisenfeld this fall. She said that "just hanging out with friends and con-

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dance when she heads to the University of Arizona this fall. Being home-schooled through Ocean Grove Charter School — from which she graduates this month — enabled her to focus on dance and graduate from high school a year early.

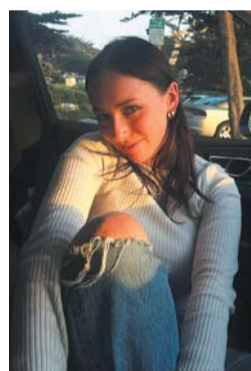
Dancing since she was 3, Takehara is perhaps best known for December's stunning performance as the Sugar Plum Fairy in "The Nutcracker" at Sunset Center. She also participates on a competitive dance team and teaches preschool and mid-

dle-school children through The Dance Center in Carmel.

Takehara has been accepted into the honors college dance program in Arizona, where she plans to earn a bachelor's degree in physiology and medical science, plus a Bachelor of Fine Arts in dance.

"I will continue dancing because I love it and would be really sad if I couldn't do it. But also, continuing to teach will help support my goal to become a physical therapist and work — preferably — with danc-

STEPS *cont. on next page*



Norah Takehara (top and right) performed the role of the Sugarplum Fairy at Sunset Center, while dancer Alexa Julian (above) found she loves acting.

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ers," she said.

Home-schooled through her freshman year of high school, senior Ruby Maxion transferred to Carmel High, where she became president of the dance department. While some of her closest friends are going to college, she has been accepted into a nine-month program at the Mather Dance Company in Orange County, having participated in a summer training intensive there last year.

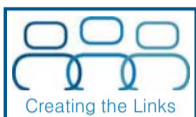


Ruby Maxion

### 'Intense'

"This is an intense, industry-style program which will require four to five days of training per week to prepare me to go

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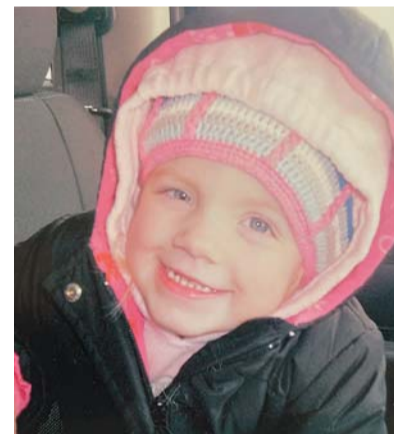
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## VALEDICTORIANS *cont. from page 37A*

necting with people” after being home for so long, was a highlight of senior year. She also discovered how much she loved creating art. Although she thought she wanted to be an astrophysicist, an internship in the field led her to decide it wasn’t for her, so she combined her love of aesthetics with her passion for STEM and decided to study landscape architecture. “I’m inspired by natural environments and how they’re integrated into building environments,” she explained.

Winning an Iron Man Award at CHS meant that Oliver Whittaker played sports every season he was in school — and still found time to become an Eagle Scout. Like

Robertson, he’s off to UCLA. He plans to study business economics, perhaps following in his father’s footsteps as a financial analyst and advisor. His favorite memory was like something from a movie — he learned he was accepted to UCLA during a bus ride home with the baseball team after a game. “My friends were all gathered around,” he said and when they saw the acceptance on his phone, “the bus went crazy.”

### Pacific Grove High School

Pacific Grove High School’s Christopher Rosas is the second person in his family to go to college after his older brother, who attends Baylor University. The self-described “big math guy” nudged the bar a little higher for the next

generation. He’s going to Harvard to study applied mathematics and maybe economics.

His love of numbers began in third grade at Forest Grove Elementary and in 2020, he founded the Waves Math Mates program (the-waveprogram.org) to help other students. He said teaching is “very emotionally re-

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Christopher Rosas



*Congratulations Jonathan!*  
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*Josie Rose Steiny...*

We are so proud of you and all of your accomplishments. You are a kind and caring young woman and we can't wait to see what you will achieve next! We love you to the moon and back.

-Mom, Dad & Dylan



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warding.” His family worked very hard to support him. “They’re the real heroes,” he said, noting that he had “the best mom on the planet.”

### Santa Catalina School

Santa Catalina eschews the title of valedictorian, but recognizes students who are all-around high achievers, like Claire Nowak. A Monterey resident who’s attended Santa Catalina since she was 4, Nowak played water polo and volleyball in high school. She also enjoys art and spent some of her sheltering-in-place time painting and creating at home.



Claire Nowak

Now bound for

UCLA, she said, “I really became who I am in the last four years,” adding that she was already feeling “very nostalgic” about school. “Coming back after Covid, especially with the boarding students, we were so happy to be back together. There was only positive energy.”

Alix Detrait will study abroad at France’s École Polytechnique, where she’ll follow the physics and mathematics track. The Pacific Grove native’s father is French and she grew up speaking English and French at home. Every summer, her family spends time in France, and she spent fifth grade abroad there. Last summer, she completed an internship with a French engineering company that’s working on expanding Paris’ Metro system in advance of the 2024 Olympics there.

Detrait enjoys theater and played matriarch Morticia Addams in “The Addams Family,” Linus in “You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown,” and what she called the “evil capitalist,” Arthur Roeder, in “Radium Girls,” based on the true story of women who worked with radioactive materials in Roeder’s factory. She said that she loved the opportunities she had at Santa Catalina. “This was such a great place to go to high school.”



Laurence Shao



Alix Detrait

### Stevenson School

Stevenson School had a three-way tie for valedictorian. Laurence Shao, a boarding student, experienced some

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## ROTARY CLUB OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA

**Carmel-by-the-Sea Rotary has awarded 2022 Academic, STEM, Vocational, Music, Memorial, and Individual Sponsored Scholarships to the following CHS Students:**

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A special thanks to **Patricia Hunt**, CHS College and Career Counselor, for her help in facilitating our Rotary Scholarship Awards. Congratulations to CHS Music Instructor, **Brian Handley**, recognized this year with the *Harris A. Taylor Excellence in Teaching Award*, given annually by Carmel-by-the-Sea Rotary Club.

## Congratulations Ashley



We are so proud of you! Always remember, you have everything you need inside of you to achieve all your dreams. We love you to the moon & back.

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Ward, Camren  
Webb, Ellie  
Williams Shinobi, Ayame  
Withrow, Emmitt  
Womack, Ethan  
Yun, Hannah  
Zoellin, Marianna

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## ATHLETES *cont. from page 34A*

everybody was going home,” remembered three-sport athlete Addie Crabbe, a sophomore at Carmel High at the time. “But never in a million years would I have imagined that my whole junior year of high school sports would be taken away and we’d be doing online classes that whole time.”

Stevenson senior Darnell Adler, a boarding student from Oakland, said his main circle of friends is at the school, a factor that made the shelter-in-place mandate difficult.

“The quarantine was pretty hard on me, since I don’t have a lot of friends living near me,” said Adler, who plays football in the fall, basketball in the winter and lacrosse in the spring.

“I spent a lot of time in my room,” he said. “I’d call or text my friends every day, or play with them on my Xbox.”

### Long-distance learning

Online learning was a big adjustment for some. Despite teachers’ best efforts, it was far less personal — and reportedly less interesting — than on-site classes.

Santa Catalina senior Angie Leissner had additional challenges as a boarding student from Hong Kong.

“It was a big shift in my schedule, because the classes at Santa Catalina took place from midnight to 6 a.m., Hong Kong time, and my sleep schedule was nonexistent,” she said. “That first schedule, especially, was really difficult. I’d go to bed from 8 p.m. until whenever my first class was — usually about 1 a.m. I’d wake up and do that hour-long class, then have an hour until my next class.

Leissner said, “It really wasn’t sustainable and after a while my advisors were suggesting that I probably shouldn’t be doing that, so I started watching recordings of those classes, instead.”

Motivation was elusive and distractions were alluring, even for the best students.



Santa Catalina boarding students Kaly De La Vega of Mexico and Angie Leissner of Hont Kong, missed friends and in-person classes while quarantining at home.

Crabbe, a valedictorian at Carmel High with a 4.73 grade point average, identified herself as one of them.

“My work habits severely declined,” she said. “I was very disciplined through the first semester of my junior year — I’d get up every morning, go to my desk, and keep up with all of my schoolwork.

“By second semester, distance learning seemed full of distractions. I just wanted to go outside, go to the beach, lie by the pool or hike. Not having sports to occupy my time gave me so much free time,” said Crabbe, who coped by finding her first-ever job as a smoothie specialist at a juice bar.

High school sports resumed at some schools — including Carmel High — on a severely abbreviated schedule during the second half the 2020-21 school year. The football team played twice and the basket-

**SPORTS** *cont. on page 45A*

Congratulations to the 2022 Graduates throughout our community!



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**FAREWELL** *cont. from page 42A*

upheaval during the Covid lockdown. His family lives in Chung Ching, China, a port city near Wuhan. When Stevenson closed its doors in March 2020, Shao said flying home was “very expensive and very risky.”

He has no relatives here, and after bouncing around a bit and being scammed once, he ended up at a friend’s home. “It was the best. I celebrated Christmas with my

friends,” he recalled. The cross-country runner typically puts in about 5 miles a day, which he said he finds relaxing. He’ll study computer science — possibly specializing in artificial intelligence — at the University of Illinois and is looking for a summer internship in San Jose.

Monterey resident Malena Sparano spent part of 2020 and 2021 volunteering with various organizations to help make and distribute masks, and worked on a book drive for migrant education. She enjoys serving her community through the Interact Club, a Rotary International youth program sponsored locally by the Carmel Sunset Rotary Club. She co-founded the Stevenson group with a friend, Ekin Atila. Sparano also spent three years doing mock trial. She’ll attend Scripps College to study linguistics and Mandarin Chinese, which she enjoyed learning in high school. Sparano also expresses herself through ceramics, working with clay on the pottery wheel.

Hayden Williams is an Eagle Scout, having attained that rank in ninth grade. “I knew once I got into high school, things would get pretty busy,” he said. His Eagle project was

improving a garden at Santa Catalina School, which he attended from kindergarten through eighth grade. And things got busy — Williams did some internships, including one last summer, helping to test radiological detectors. He’s also a longtime student of martial arts and has recently taken up weightlifting. He starts classes at Northwestern University this fall, where he’ll study material science engineering.

**York School**

Finally, Jonathan Truong is still a little up in the air about his educational plans. He’s been accepted at UC San Diego, but is on the waiting list for UCLA. In any event, he wants to study computer science. “There are so many possibilities with computers,” he said. He joined York’s robotics team this spring and said, “I should have joined from day one,” but it’s not as if he’s a slacker. In addition to his classes, he’s studied abroad in China, taken a coding class from Brown University, participated in cross-country, track and basketball and been a member of the Asian Culture Club.

It’s often said that “youth is wasted on the young,” but these seniors seem to have made the most of their time. Best of all, a lifetime of new beginnings awaits. After the cheering and the ceremonies, they’re all back at the starting line again. And isn’t that wonderful?



Hayden Williams



Malena Sparano



Jonathan Truong



## Santa Catalina School

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August Hanks  
Wesley Hasbrouck  
Max Kashnow  
Max Maestri  
Auden Morris

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ball team played seven times in April and May. The softball squad (which included Crabbe) played 15 times.

Boarding students at Stevenson and most at Santa Catalina stayed home, playing no athletics at all — a big disappointment for any with aspirations to college athletics. Adler was one.

“Sophomore year was when I really started wanting to play college athletics and junior year is typically a big year for high school athletes to attract attention from colleges,” said Adler, who turned down a football scholarship to Lincoln College in Oakland and hopes to play safety for a junior college in the fall.

He said he worked out hard and made a

highlight video to show coaches, “but not having my junior season definitely was on my mind,” he said.

**Workouts were cathartic**

Conducting their own private workouts — just in case sports resumed — was cathartic. De La Vega — who played tennis, soccer and lacrosse at Catalina, ran, cycled, swam and played sports with her younger brothers every day, then moved to San Diego and played recreational tennis.

Leissner, whose sports were soccer, field hockey and lacrosse, exercised at a gym in Hong Kong and played a season with a women’s soccer team. Crabbe worked out, played club volleyball last spring and went on daily hikes. Adler connected with a trainer and athletes from De La Salle High

(where his brother plays baseball) and lifted weights and ran on his own.

Even when sports returned for senior year, the experience wasn’t the same. Indoor athletes wore masks or endured weekly Covid tests to go without them. Many games were played in front of unusually small crowds — often with no student section.

“That part was heartbreaking,” said Crabbe, who starred this year in volleyball, basketball and softball. “Not having a student section totally changed the dynamic of the game. A lot of tradition and school spirit was lost.”

De La Vega returned to Santa Catalina for spring of her junior year, experiencing “Ring Week,” a tradition in which seniors make juniors dress in funny costumes and

perform silly tasks before receiving their class rings.

“I was very happy that I got to be a part of that, even though it wasn’t the same as it would’ve been, with a lot fewer students on the campus,” she said.

Leissner, who remained in Hong Kong in the spring of ’21, said missing prom was disappointing.

“I felt sad whenever I realized I was missing out on one of those big traditions with my friends,” she said.

Leissner and Crabbe will attend the University of Southern California this fall. De La Vega plans to attend a college (yet to be determined) in Monterrey, Mexico. Adler is considering Monterey Peninsula and Cabrillo colleges, Reedley, San Jose City or Fresno City.

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# Adeline

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| Mia Rodriguez    | Lucy Martinez Ribera | Brooke Miller     |
| Elina Nizamova   | Delfin Kirsch        | Aaron Alvarado    |
| Addy Dawson      | Ruby Carr            | DJ Meheen         |

**STAR AWARDS**

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|----------------|----------------------|--------------------|
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| Giana Buraglio | Lucy Martinez Ribera | Darrell Wang       |
| Brooke Miller  | Ellory Rayne         |                    |

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| Emma Heiser    | Noah Mayer    |                      |

# C L A S S O F 2 0 2 2

## Carmel High School seniors reflect on an altered route to graduation

By RILEY PALSHAW

**WITH GRADUATION** right around the corner, members of Carmel High School's Class of 2022 reflected on their unique high school experience in the midst of the pandemic, torn between whether to feel resentful or grateful about the untraditional circumstances they've faced in their high school career.

This year's seniors were more than halfway through their sophomore year when Monterey County issued a shelter-in-place order in March 2020, forcing CHS to shift from in-person instruction to online learning for the remainder of that year and most of the 2020-21 school year.

### Mixed emotions

After a full return to in-person learning in fall 2021, seniors experienced a mix of emotions, caught between being sad about what they had missed and choosing to take advantage of the little time in high school that was left. One of the most common realizations among seniors has been the importance of the interpersonal relationships with classmates.

"I think everyone would say that being away from school for a year makes you realize how much you actually miss talking to the people you don't normally talk to outside of school," said senior Ema Kamler. "You miss having those random school conversations, so coming back to school made me at least appreciate everyone's presence more."

Many seniors attest to a more appreciative attitude in their last year of high school and stronger connections between classmates.

"The pandemic and being online caused me to realize how I want to make better connections with the people around me, which I was able to do this year with in-person school," said senior Lelia Kraut. "I've made so many new friends this year and really opened myself up to new relationships, and I think being able to reflect during the pandemic helped me with this."

Kraut also said that she grew more during the year away from her classmates than at any point her life previously, allowing her to come out of the pandemic looking to make more friendships and being grateful for having the experiences she'd been missing out on.

Although many seniors have observed personal growth

and stronger connections forming post-pandemic, some still felt disappointed.

"The pandemic robbed my class of many experiences because we essentially jumped from sophomores to seniors," said senior Darrell Wang. "Junior year, the year you're meant to go hard for college applications with extracurriculars and getting involved in the community with, was heavily compromised."

### 'Fun and resilient'

Senior Nina Robertson shared a similar perspective. "I missed out on an entire school season of volleyball, and the chance to bond with my teachers, connect with my peers and build a class atmosphere," she said. However, she still cherishes her high school experience — a theme commonly observed throughout the class.

"This senior class hasn't pulled away like other senior classes would've done by now," said CHS principal Jon Lyons. "They still are really engaged in everything and have had more joy in celebrating the little things, which maybe three years from now we'll go back to taking for granted."

With the CHS graduation on June 3 being the first traditional ceremony Lyons has led since he was hired in 2019, he can certainly attest to the unusual journey the senior class has been on in the midst of Covid. He described this graduating class as a "fun and resilient bunch," noting that the seniors have had a unique opportunity to reset the tone for the school with the return to in-person instruction. He's hoping their legacy carries on to the junior class.

"[Carmel High School] is coming out of this pandemic. The community as a whole is starting to view us differently and I think we have a real chance to rethink what it is we're doing as an entity here on campus and also in the larger community," said Lyons. "This year's senior class set that and the junior class will be the ones to then take that on."

Although there is definitely some frustration in the senior class about spending a large portion of their time in high school behind a screen, ultimately, the Class of 2022 seems to be thankful for what normal experiences they did have, especially in this final year.

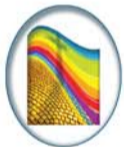
"No one can be fully responsible for the unfortunate



While senior Nina Robertson was not thrilled that the pandemic interrupted her high school career, she remains grateful for the experience and is excited for the next step in her life.

circumstances that took over our world," said senior Emilu Spungin. She added that she felt fortunate to be back for her senior year and hopes that underclassmen will be able to make stronger connections with their classmates, too.

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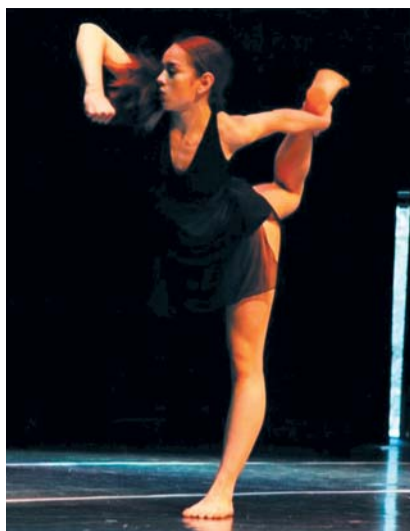
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into commercial dancing — background dancing, music videos or dancing on tour with a headline performer. Hopefully, I'll come out of this with an agent."

Although they've spent their whole lives preparing for this moment, they also face the unknown, hopeful that this next step will bring them closer to their goals.

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Ruby Maxion plans to continue dancing.



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# This Week

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## With his band healthy again, rocker makes his return to Sunset Center

AFTER A May 19 concert was postponed “due to multiple band members contracting Covid,” singer and guitarist **Dave Mason** finally makes his return to the downtown performing arts center Wednesday.

Teaming up with singer Steve Winwood and others,

Showtime is 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$49. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. Call (831) 620-2048 or visit [sunsetcenter.org](http://sunsetcenter.org).

### ■ Dazzling lights, trippy music

Celebrating the music of the greatest of all progressive rock bands — and tossing in a dazzling laser light show — **The Pink Floyd Laser Spectacular** comes to the Golden State Theater in Monterey Friday.

The folks who are putting on the show are describing it as a family-friendly affair — it turns out that the kids of today like Pink Floyd just as much as Mom and Dad do.

“It’s a great night of psychedelic entertainment for classic rockers as well as a new generation of Floyd fans,” they say. “Parents, score ‘cool points’ with your teenagers and bring them along.”

The show begins at 6:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$37.50. The theater is located at 417 Alvarado St. For tickets, call (831) 649-1070.

### ■ Concert to raise \$\$ for refugees

After presenting a May 22 concert at Forest Theater that raised \$9,000 for war refugees from Ukraine, longtime local **Paul Laub** is organizing another fundraising show for the many women and children who had to flee the country.

Featuring “a wonderful collection of Ukrainian folk songs, dances and special performances,” the concert is set for June 19 at Congregation Beth Israel.

Tickets start at \$40, and are available at [hromada.us/concerts](http://hromada.us/concerts).

### ■ Music and art in the park

Music, art and family-friendly fun come to Laguna



Syrian-born singer and guitarist Bedouine performs Saturday at the Henry Miller Library in Big Sur. The music starts at 8 p.m.

Grande Park in Seaside Sunday for the sixth annual Palenke Arts Festival. The musicians include **Orquesta Rumba Café** — which plays dance music for the cumbia, salsa and merengue — **The Latin Jazz Combo**, percussionist **Javier Muniz** and Congolese singer and guitarist **Elie Mabanza**. Presented by the Arts Council of Monterey County, the event starts at noon, admission is free, and the park is located at 1249 Canyon Del Rey.

### ■ Live music June 3-9

**Bernardus Lodge & Spa** in Carmel Valley — pia-

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## On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

Mason launched the legendary English rock band Traffic in 1968. He’s best known for writing and singing “Feelin’ Alright,” playing acoustic guitar on Jimi Hendrix’s version of “All Along the Watchtower,” and recording the hit single, “We Just Disagree,” in 1977.



Singer and guitarist Benny Bassett takes the stage Thursday at the Salty Seal Brewpub and Sports Bar in Monterey. Showtime is 7 p.m.

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# FOOD & WINE

## TAPAS BACK IN TOWN, FAST AND CASUAL IN C.V., AND MORE SOCIAL STUDIES

IT'S BEEN a long time since Spanish food was available at more than one spot on the Monterey Peninsula, let alone traditional tapas like patatas bravas (fried potato wedges served with aioli and a piquant tomato-based sauce), croquetas (fried dumplings of ham and bechamel) and simple tortilla (a frittata-like dish incorporating eggs, potatoes and onions).

to \$16.

A small selection of cheeses and charcuterie represent the country's best, including coveted jamon Iberico, which comes from black pigs raised on acorns on the Iberian Peninsula. Salads and soups include smooth and creamy Andalusian gazpacho, and at lunch, bocadillos — Spanish sandwiches — are the most substantial fare, while dinner offers a small selection of entrées.

Promesa lacks a full liquor license but has a substantial beer and wine list — including a nice selection of half bottles — along with a few house cocktails, including sangria made to order.

Promesa is open for lunch and dinner daily from noon to 9 p.m. Find more information at [promesacarmel.com](http://promesacarmel.com).

### Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

Last month, the moving forces behind popular Toro sushi restaurant on Dolores Street, Kristen Ridout and Stephen Wilson, opened their new Promesa restaurant with partner George Thompson in the space that was formerly the rear section of Casanova on Mission Street south of Fifth. The dining space reflects their taste for clean, precise décor in black and neutrals, and includes a little outdoor dining area in a courtyard at the back.

#### Spanish snacks

Promesa's lunch and dinner menus list nearly a dozen traditional tapas, including Marcona almonds with olive oil and salt, mixed olives, marinated white anchovies known as boquerones, fried padron peppers, and pan con tomate, bread rubbed with oil, garlic and tomato. The small plates, which are meant for sharing, run \$9

### Social Hour classes

Social Hour, the Sixth Avenue store that carries all things cocktail-related, is hosting another round of Social Studies Cocktail Workshops over the next several weeks.

"Our first four workshops sold out quickly, and by all accounts everyone enjoyed themselves and had fun learning about the cocktails and picking up new bar skills," said Karen Baymiller, who opened the store with her husband, Eric, nearly a year ago.

Back by popular demand are sessions on Pre-Prohibition cocktails June 8 and Sours: Shaken Not Stirred July 28. The first will focus on the history and techniques behind two classics, the Old Fashioned and the French 75, while the second will showcase "lively cocktails built on citrus, sweetener and spirit."

"We expect this next set of classes to fill up as well," she said. "A couple classes are already close to selling out."

#### Something new

Brian Mazurek, founder of The Bitter Ginger line of



Ada Fisher (left) and Emily Frew and their husbands opened new fast-casual spot Bear + Flag in the Valley Hills Center on Carmel Valley Road following some fruitful brainstorming during the pandemic.

bitters, is the store's "bartender partner" and leads the classes. Baymiller said he "has created some terrific content, including a new class focused on amari."

Amaro is an Italian herbal bitter liqueur, and versions vary greatly in flavor, aroma and style, from intensely herbaceous to floral to nearly fruity. (Side note: For by far the best selection of amari in town, head to the bar in Mezzaluna restaurant on Forest Hill in Pacific Grove.)

Botanical Bookends: Exploring Amari in Cocktails will be offered June 23 and July 13 and will examine how "the herbal aromatics of an amaro can provide a complex way to spice up your mixology." Since amaro is commonly enjoyed before and after meals, one cocktail "will be light and aperitivo-style, and the second will be perfectly suited to concluding your next

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The new Promesa restaurant promises traditional tapas like patatas bravas and croquetas, as well as smooth and creamy Andalusian gazpacho.

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dinner party.”

Each session costs \$70, a portion of which will be donated to the nonprofit Big Sur Food & Wine Foundation. All ingredients and barware will be provided, and participants will enjoy their own cocktails, as well as a welcome beverage, snacks and a parting gift. Sign up at [socialhourcarmel.com](https://socialhourcarmel.com).

## ■ C.V.'s new spot

The Carmel Valley deli formerly owned by Surf N Sand proprietor Ryan Sanchez has become an upscale fast casual spot led by Ada Fisher and Emily Frew, with help from Fisher's chef husband, Todd. The Fishers last year bought The Meatery, a Seaside butchery with an expansive kitchen, and are using it to source their new restaurant, Bear + Flag.

The venture is the product of pandemic-era brainstorming by Frew and Fisher. “We discussed many different ideas, and the Valley Hills Deli location had so much potential,” they said in their announcement of their new business. “It is minutes from our homes and surrounded by other businesses we are excited to be neighbors with. It fits our vision for creating something missing from our neighborhood: a fast-casual spot with great ingredients, a wine and bubbles bar suited to our friends and family, and a beer fridge any beer geek would love.”

Sandwiches run \$13 to \$16, with salads, sides and other offerings available, too. Popular items so far include the smoked tri tip sandwich with a sweet and spicy rub and Roadside Red barbecue sauce, and the herb-roasted turkey breast sandwich.

Fisher and Frew said their team took over last October to “fine-tune

operations and get to work on updating and elevating the space,” which took longer than expected due to ubiquitous supply-chain issues.

But it all worked out in the end. “With patio weather and summer about to start, the team is excited to welcome everyone to their new roadside eatery with longer days and extended hours,” they said. “We want to be your go-to spot to sit and enjoy a beverage or stop in to peruse our noteworthy selections. We have wine and beer for any occasion — casual dinners at home, stocking up for your golf round, and chilled Veuve ready for celebrations.”

Bear + Flag has a little boutique, as well, with interesting gifts and other items. The new spot is open Monday through Wednesday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. and from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday to Saturday.

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### Where art and wine flow

Members of the Monterey Bay Plein Air Painters Association will exhibit their works in the Chesebro Wines tasting room in Carmel Valley Village during a six-week exposition, "Where Art and Wine Flow," starting June 10, according to manager Alex Lалos.

"Please join us for an opening reception catered by Michael Jones (A Moveable Feast catering) paired with a curated selection of Chesebro wines on Sunday, June 12, from 3 to 5 p.m. at our tasting room in Carmel Valley," he said. The reception is free of charge.

Chesebro features whites, rosé and reds, including many blends, made from grapes grown on three estate vineyards in Cachagua and Arroyo Seco. Not only are many of the wines a nice departure from the chardonnays and pinots commonly found in this area, they're reasonably priced and well made.

To check them out, stop by the tasting room at 19 E. Carmel Valley Road Thursday through Sunday between noon and 5 p.m. Reservations are not required but are recommended and can be made by emailing [info@chesebrowines.com](mailto:info@chesebrowines.com). Visit [chesebrowines.com](http://chesebrowines.com) for more information.

### Special s'mores

Beach fires might be illegal in most places, and campfires discouraged considering the risks they present, but s'mores can be enjoyed, anyway — or, at least, an iteration of them. Revival Ice Cream on Alvarado Street in downtown Monterey has brought back its limited edition Campfire S'mores flavor for the month of June.

"Using our classic Theo dark chocolate ice cream base, we mix in house-made toasted marshmallow fluff and some speculoos crumbs, which are just like those graham crackers we all eat on summer nights," the creamery announced this week. "Our limited seasonal flavors use the freshest, in-season ingredients and are made in small handcrafted batches."

Revival is located at 463 Alvarado St. Call (831) 747-2113 for more information.

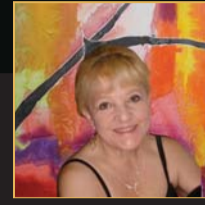
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The gala opens at 5:00 pm with a welcome reception, followed by a gourmet dinner, live auction, award presentations, and performances by local talent and entertainment. The live auction will feature one-of-a-kind items and experiences, including lunch and a tour of the United States Capitol with Congressman Jimmy Panetta, a 4 night stay at Canyon Ranch Wellness Retreat in Woodside, and more.

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### Leadership Carmel fundraiser

Members of a leadership class organized through the Carmel Chamber of Commerce are planning a fundraiser for the Carmel Youth Center June 18 from 4 to 7 p.m. Leadership Carmel, a nine-month professional development program cultivating leadership skills, local knowledge, and professional networks, has participants create

and execute a project intended to give back to the city of Carmel and its community.

The group initially proposed raising money by selling pavers to redo the walkways in First Murphy Park, but after some community members objected, members came up with "Dance Thru the Decades," which will be held at the youth center at Torres and Fourth.

Community members, including those who hung out at the center when they were kids, are invited "to dress up and experience each room themed in a different era of time with popular music, bites and beverages."

A contest will determine who holds the title of "Best Dressed."

Tickets are \$50 and can be purchased through Eventbrite.com or by emailing legacycarmel2022@gmail.com.

## Veterans Stand Down slated for June 17

THE VETERANS Transition Center in Marina is holding its annual "stand down" at Monterey County Fairgrounds on June 17 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The event, named for breaks soldiers get from combat duty, is also used for events that give homeless vets a chance to shower, get clean clothes and maybe see a doctor or get help finding a job — a respite from the hard life on the streets.

Veterans who preregister will have access to legal advice and may be able to see a judge about having misdemeanors cleared from their records.

There will also be medical and dental assistance, and of course, the Veterans Administration will have representatives available to help with claims. Chaplains, counseling and information on discharge upgrades will be provided. A veterinarian will be on hand for pet checkups, too.

Interested veterans can preregister at their nearest Veterans Services Office, through [www.montereystanddown.org](http://www.montereystanddown.org) or by calling Marlene at (831) 883-8387, extension 238. Volunteers are also needed.

## CALENDAR

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# MUSIC

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nist **Joe Indence** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), pianist **Martan Mann** (jazz and classical, Saturday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **John Sherry** (folk, rock and blues, Sunday at noon) and guitarist **Richard Devinck** (classical, Wednesday 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 saxophonist **Roger Eddy** (jazz, Sunday at 1:30 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** — saxophonist **Roger Eddy** (jazz, Sunday at 11 a.m.). 26135 Carmel Rancho Blvd., Suite B.

**Cuz's Sportsman's Club** in Seaside — **The Meez** (rock, Friday at 8 p.m.), **Jake Nielson & the Triple Threat** (classic rock, Saturday at 8:30 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Tony Miles** (Sunday at 4 p.m.). 594 Broadway Ave.

**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.

**Fernwood Resort** in Big Sur — **Magenta Spreen** (pop and rock, Saturday at 9 p.m.). On Highway 1 25 miles south of Carmel.

**Folkale Winery** in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Al James** (Friday at 3 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Daniel Cortes** (Saturday at 3 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Rory Lynch** (Sunday at noon), singer and guitarist **Joe**

**Kaplow** (Monday at 3 p.m.) and singer and multi-instrumentalist **Meredith McHenry** (Thursday at 3 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

**Gusto Pasta and Pizza** in Seaside — singer **Bobby Mariano** and keyboardist **Peter Cor** (jazz, Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). 1901 Fremont Blvd.

**Henry Miller Library** in Big Sur — singer and guitarist **Bedouine** (Saturday at 8 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 **Zack Freitas** (Friday at 5 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Fred McCarty** (Saturday at 6 p.m.). 1 Old Golf Course Road, (831) 372-1234.

**The Inn at Spanish Bay** in Pebble Beach — **The Andy Weis Band** with pianist **Gary Meek** and bassist **Steve Uccello** (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 **Dan Robbins** (jazz, Thursday at 7 p.m.). 2700 17 Mile Drive.

**Intercontinental Hotel** in Monterey — guitarist **Gil Cadilli** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **John Sherry** (folk, rock and blues, Saturday at 6 p.m. and Thursday 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 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.

**The Links Club** — **Victory Lane** (classic rock, Friday at 7:30 p.m.). On the first floor of Carmel Plaza at Mission and Ocean.

**The Lodge** at Pebble Beach — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Meredith McHenry** (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kevin Pfeffer** (Saturday at 6 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Scott Slaughter** (Sunday at 6 p.m.). In the Terrace Lounge at 1700 17 Mile Drive.

**Lucy's On Lighthouse** in Pacific Grove — **The Rogue Roosters** (rock and blues, Saturday at 2 p.m.) and **The Wharf Rats** (rock, 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 — **Janice's Jazz Jam** with keyboardist **Gary Meek**, bassist **Dennis Murphy** and drummer **Andy Weis** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.) and saxophonist **Roger Eddy** and percussionist **John Nava** (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.

**Puma Road at Portola Plaza** in Monterey — singer and guitarist **Sam Cauthorn** (Friday at 5 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Sej Miles** (Saturday at 6 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Peter Martin** and saxophonist **Ben Herod** (Sunday at 6 p.m.). 281 Alvarado St.

**Rio Grill** — **Andrea's Fault** (jazz and blues, Friday at 3:30 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Haley Jane** (rock, Wednesday at 3:30 p.m.). In the Crossroads shopping center.

**The Salty Seal Pub** in Monterey — **Monterey County Line** (country and rock, Friday at 8 p.m.), **The Chuck Brewer Band** (rock and blues, Saturday at 8 p.m.), **The Rumba Madre** ("Latinx alternative," Sunday at 7 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Benny Bassett** (Thursday at 7



Congolese singer and guitarist Elie Mabanza plays Sunday at the Palenke Arts Festival in Seaside's Laguna Grande Park.

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#### Pebble Beach Community Services District

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Friday, June 24, 2022

The Board of Directors of the Pebble Beach Community Services District (PBCSD) adopted a **Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-23** (July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023). The Board will hold a public hearing on **Friday, June 24, 2022 at 9:40 a.m.**, to adopt the **Final Budget**, including annual fees for sewer collection and treatment, fire protection, and garbage collection services. The hearing will either be in person, in the District Boardroom located at 3101 Forest Lake Road, Pebble Beach, CA 93953, or by teleconference. The instructions to attend will be available three days before the meeting on the District website at [www.pbcسد.org/records](http://www.pbcسد.org/records) under the link for June 24, 2022 agenda. The public may attend this meeting to comment or seek clarification on any item included in the Preliminary Budget. Additional information and copies of the Preliminary Budget are available on the District's website or can be obtained by calling the District Administrative Office at (831) 373-1274.

Publication dates: June 3, 2022 (PC603)



Notice is hereby given that at the next Regular Board meeting of the District Board, Carmel Area Wastewater District, held at the District office, 3945 Rio Road, P.O. Box 221428 Carmel, CA. 93922, on

**9:00 a.m., Thursday, June 30, 2022**

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The Board will publicly discuss and approve the:

#### FY 2022/23 Final Budget

No later than June 15, 2022, the full budget documents will be available on the District's web site [www.cawd.org](http://www.cawd.org)

Any member of the public may appear virtually at the meeting and be heard regarding any item in the recommended budget or for the inclusion of additional items.

All proposals for revisions must be submitted (written or oral) to the District Secretary before the close of the public meeting.

Publication dates: June 3 & 10, 2022 (PC613)

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# New show at Cherry Center celebrates the art of imperfection

By CHRIS COUNTS

**I**N ART — where some strive for perfection while others seek to capture spontaneity — one person's mistake can be another's masterpiece.

A show that opens Friday at the Carl Cherry Center for the Arts, titled "The Most Beautiful Mistake You Can Make," explores the idea of "happy accidents" in art. The participating artists include Tracey Adams, Judith Foosaner, Laurel Farrin and Francie Hester, among others. "The exhibit intends to emphasize how random errors can become an artistic catalyst to an aesthetically complete work of art," reads a description of the show.

The Cherry Center, which will be the site of a reception at 5 p.m., is located at Fourth and Guadalupe. The gallery is open Wednesdays through Saturdays, while the show runs through the end of the month.

## ■ Something new downtown

Four shows open Saturday at the Carmel

Art Association, including "You Can't Fall Out of the Universe" by Michel Tsouris, who explores "the seen and unseen" with what he calls "unconventional compositions" that "distort perspective and play with scale."

Also new are shows by painters Miguel Dominguez and his son, Miguel A. Dominguez, Cyndra Bradford and Jeff Daniel Smith, and Maria Boisvert.

The shows will be on display through July 4.

The gallery, which is open Thursdays through Mondays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., is located on Dolores between Fifth and Sixth. Call (831) 250-3347 or visit [carmel-art.org](http://carmel-art.org).

## ■ Arts council gives grants

Thanks to the Arts Council for Monterey, five young artists with bright futures will get some financial help.

Visual artists Vanessa Cowdrey of Pebble Beach, Esmeralda Orozco of Royal Oaks and Victoria Donahue of Marina, and

performing artists Justin Robinson of Monterey and Alejandro Gomez of Marina, will receive grants of \$2,500.

"It is always exciting to learn about the projects these emerging artists are plan-

ning, from gallery exhibitions, to music creation to live productions," executive director Jacquie Atchison said. "Art crosses language and cultural barriers, making it a universal language we all can understand."

## LIVE

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**Conley** (pop and rock, Friday and Saturday, Tuesday through Thursday at 7:30 p.m.). 701 Wave St.

**Sly McFly's** in Monterey — **Jon Griffin & The Lightfighters** (rock, Friday at 9 p.m.), **The Bridget Marie Band** (r&b and funk, Saturday at 9 p.m.), **Skypark** (pop and rock, Sunday at 8:30 p.m.), **The Long Distance Flyers** (classic rock, Monday at 8:30 p.m.), **Rhythm Tribe West** (classic rock, Tuesday at 8:30 p.m.) and **5 Star** ("rock and soul classics," Wednesday at 8:30 p.m.). 700 Cannery Row.

**Tarpy's** in Monterey — singer and

guitarist **Kevin Pfeffer** (Friday at 6 p.m.), **Andrea's Fault** (jazz and blues, Saturday at 6 p.m.) and singer and pianist **John Harris** (jazz, Sunday at noon). 2999 Highway 68.

**Trailside Cafe** in Carmel Valley — **The Sweet Dreams Duo** (pop and rock, Friday at 6 p.m.) and **Deja Vu** (acoustic rock, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place.

**Urban Lounge** at the Red Lion Hotel in Monterey — **The Transducers** (rock and funk, Saturday at 7 p.m.). 1425 Munras Ave.

**Wild Fish** restaurant in Pacific Grove — **The Lighthouse 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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