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Runaway cement truck nearly hits house

By MARY SCHLEY

A MAN who lives near the intersection of Highway 1 and Carpenter Street was convinced death was imminent for him and his family when a runaway cement truck, which may have weighed more than 50,000 pounds, hit his wife's parked Mercedes and plowed down the driveway toward their home on Handley Drive last Wednesday

afternoon.

Amir Tadros described the incident as "horrific and traumatic" a couple of days later. "There's nothing more horrible than death coming to our front door," he said.

The crash occurred just before 2 p.m. Sept. 21, when a runaway Las Animas Concrete Peterbilt cement truck smashed into the 2019 Mercedes parked at the top of Tadros' sloping driveway and overturned, according to California Highway Patrol public information officer Jessica Madueño.

The wreck also damaged a fence and trees, and Madueño said the cement truck, driven by an unnamed 51-year-old man from Watsonville, went out of control "due to unknown mechanical reasons." The driver sustained minor injuries and was taken to the hospital. It is unknown how much concrete the truck was carrying.

'Really loud bang'

Tadros said that at that time, he was at home talking on the phone while his wife and daughter were in other parts of the house.

"I was walking onto my deck to continue my conversation with my friend, and I heard a really loud bang and looked back, because I thought it came from the highway," he said, since Highway 1 passes nearby. "I look toward the driveway, and there's a large cement truck pushing my wife's vehicle

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Lawsuit targets skincare shop over \$28K sale tactics

■ Woman alleges 'physical intimidation'

By MARY SCHLEY

DOZENS OF complaints about high pressure sales tactics and deceptive pitches at three similar skincare stores on Ocean Avenue have poured into city hall, the police department and the chamber of commerce practically since the first shop opened seven years ago, and some have made it to small claims court. This week, a woman sued one of them in Monterey County Superior Court for allegedly bilking her out of more than \$28,000 through fraud and coercion.

According to the lawsuit filed Monday by Monterey attorney Robert Ponce, Gayle Roderick was walking past Carmel Beauty Boutique (now called Carmel Boutique and operating under a different owner, though in a similar manner) on Sept. 27, 2020, when a saleswoman approached, got her into conversation and led her inside. There, the employee applied cream to Roderick's left eye.

'Skin expert'

Roderick subsequently agreed to purchase the cream, but as she started to leave, the saleswoman put the item high on a shelf, out of reach, and insisted Roderick speak with a "skin expert" named Paul. Roderick refused, saying she had to get her car out of a 20-minute space, but the

See **SKINCARE** page 22A

Candidates take stances — and a few jabs — at forum

By MARY SCHLEY

FOUR CANDIDATES vying for two city council seats in the Nov. 8 election outlined their views on business issues and sparred a bit during the second of two forums, this one hosted by the Carmel Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night.

In their opening statements, incumbent Jeff Baron touted his accomplishments as he did at last week's forum with the Carmel Residents Association, while challenger Alissandra Dramov asked voters to join her efforts to beautify the city and "renew Carmel's magic together."

"Make Carmel Carmel again," is challenger Parker Logan's campaign slogan, and he said conversations during beach walks and while behind his bar at Sade's have

taught him locals lack confidence in their government.

And challenger Ashley Stoddard emphasized her deep roots in the art business in town, where she owns a gallery with her mother, and mentioned other professional successes while living out of state. "I aspire to serve Carmel-by-the-Sea in its best interests," she said.

What conflict?

While moderator Brian Turlington opened the Sept. 27 Q&A session by asking the candidates how they would address the "often perceived" conflict between business and residential interests, all four said they didn't really think that was a thing, considering each side needs the other.

As a former TV reporter, Dramov said she knows how to listen, keep an open mind and be fair, and Logan said while there have been some battles along the way, the community always comes together because it has to.

While serving on the chamber board, Stoddard said she has enjoyed regular sit-downs with the Carmel Residents

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CITY DROPS MASK RULE

By MARY SCHLEY

THE REQUIREMENT that everyone wear a mask inside city buildings has been lifted for people who are fully vaccinated against coronavirus, city administrator Chip Rerig announced Friday.

"It was a good week at city hall — we are finally able to see the full smiles of our new colleagues sans masks if they are fully vaxxed and boosted," he said. Many of the two-dozen-plus employees hired in the last year have always had to wear masks at work, until now.

People can still wear masks if they want to, of course.

Rerig said other city facilities are following the same protocols, but before the rules change in council chambers, the city council will have to vote to revoke an ordinance requiring masks at public meetings of the council, planning commission, and other boards and commissions.

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More demands for P.G. 'inclusion' chief to quit

■ Need for DEI task force also doubted

By KELLY NIX

AS PACIFIC Grove residents this week continued to call for the resignation of the head of Pacific Grove's diversity, equity and inclusion task force after she mocked Christians on social media, members of the panel and the county's Democratic Party central committee — which is endorsing her candidacy for city council — refused to comment on the controversy.

'Tolerance and acceptance'

Tina Rau, the chair of the DEI task force and one of six people vying for a seat on the Pacific Grove City Council in the Nov. 8 election, took to Twitter in August to ridicule Catholics and evangelical Christians, which led numerous residents, elected officials, the Diocese of Monterey and others to criticize the post. Rau's comments even prompted Democratic Rep. Jimmy Panetta to tell members of the P.G. committee to exercise "tolerance and acceptance" for religious groups.

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Newsom signs bill making it easier to kill boars

By CHRIS COUNTS

EVERY TIME of year is now hunting season for wild pigs in California.

Common in Monterey County, where they cause extensive damage to crops, wild pigs have long been considered pests and a target for extermination by many in the agricultural industry.

Thanks to a bill passed unanimously by the state Legislature — SB 856 — and signed by Gov. Gavin Newsom Sept. 22, it's now easier and less costly to eradicate them.

Exploding population

"I commend the governor for bringing us a step closer to controlling our destructive wild pig population, which is exploding across California," said Sen. Bill Dodd, a Democrat who introduced the bill.

"These non-native feral animals are endangering

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A new state law will make it easier to eradicate wild pigs, like this one photographed at Rana Creek Ranch.

Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Feline friend

RUSTY IS sitting near the desk, wanting attention but unwilling to ask for it. Cats are like that.

Throughout 69 years of marriage, they'd always had a dog. Yet, in their last few years together, after losing a beloved black Lab, she came home from Pet Food Express with a cat.

"I don't know how to describe him," said his person, now 90. "He's 10 years old. His coat is yellow and quite even, and he has white on his toes. His name is Rusty. I don't remember if we named him that, or if he came with that name."

After Rusty was born, he was sold to a couple who had a ranch, his person recalled. His assumption is that Rusty was not comfortable there, so after about six months, they brought him to the pet store at The Crossroads shopping center. Smitten, his person's wife adopted him and brought him home to Hacienda Carmel.

"At first, I had no idea we were getting a cat," his person said. "But after my wife passed away, about three years ago, he became my constant companion."

Rusty has his habits. He likes to go outside in the morning until about noon, a practice which has enabled him to become quite acquainted with the Hacienda Carmel community — every cat and dog, where the birds and squirrels congregate, and just about every human resident on the property.



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P.B. Co. claims water district chief misled state regulator

By KELLY NIX

THE PEBBLE Beach Company has accused the head of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District of providing “false and biased” data to a state agency in an effort to boost its own recycled water project over a competing project proposed by Cal Am.

But water district general manager Dave Stoldt maintained this week that the numbers he cited are accurate and were calculated by a reputable third party.

A Sept. 19 letter from P.B. Co. attorney Diane Goldman to the California Public Utilities Commission accused Stoldt of misleading the agency during August testimony addressing water supply and demand for the Monterey Peninsula.

Specifically, the attorney said, Stoldt — to support the water district’s contention that the Peninsula doesn’t need as much water as Cal Am projects — told the CPUC that the Pebble Beach Company “has not yet fully utilized” most of its 350 acre-feet of water entitlements, “and therefore the water demand projections of the Monterey Peninsula should be reduced accordingly.”

However, the Pebble Beach Company said it has already used or allocated for use all but 60 acre-feet of its allocation, and called the water district’s testimony “false and biased.”

“Unfortunately, the water management district has an inherent conflict of interest,” Goldman continued. “Its board members publicly oppose the Cal Am desalination project and have been avowedly pursuing a public buyout of Cal Am,” the company said.

Enough water

Stoldt’s comments were made at a hearing for the CPUC to weigh supply and demand estimates for the Monterey

Peninsula Water Supply Project, including a desalination plant proposed by Cal Am which the water district opposes.

The water district believes its wastewater reclamation project, Pure Water Monterey, which is already supplying some recycled water, would produce enough for the Peninsula for 30 years — and at a lower price if it could be expanded.

‘Not fantasy’

The P.B. Company goes on to say that the water district “makes its case against” Cal Am’s desal project by “falsely asserting that Pebble Beach Company’s water entitlement is available to meet the community’s water needs.”

“We urge the CPUC to refrain from relying on such false and misleading testimony in your analysis and deliberations,” the company said.

The CPUC is gathering testimony about water supply and demand for the Monterey Peninsula because Cal Am wants to amend an agreement with the water district and sewer agency Monterey One Water — partners in the Pure Water Monterey project — so it can purchase water from the recycling plant and deliver it to customers.

Stoldt pushed back on the P.B. Co.’s claims, telling The Pine Cone Wednesday that “there is nothing false or biased in any of our claims. We deal in facts, not fantasies.”

He said that the water district’s demand forecast is “derived from an unbiased third-party growth forecast” developed by the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments.

“All of Pebble Beach’s needs are in that growth forecast,” Stoldt said.

Also in its letter to the CPUC, the Pebble Beach Company pointed to its own

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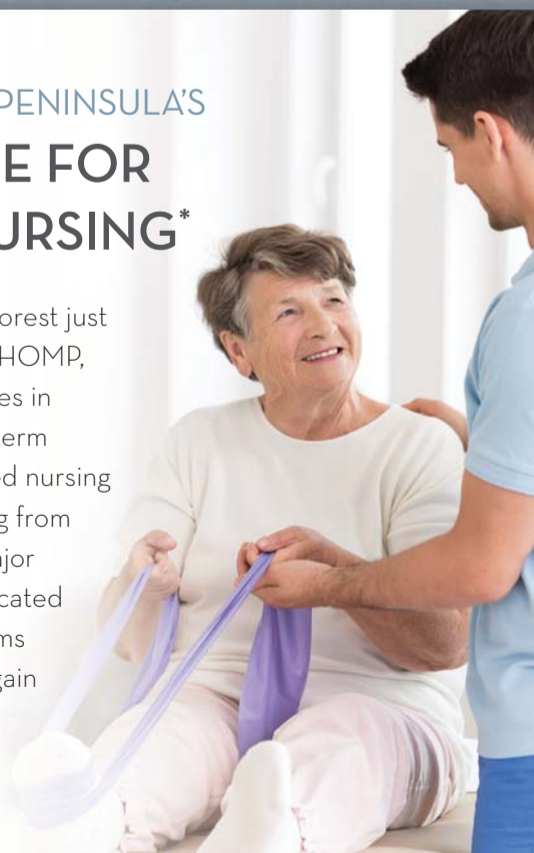
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Police & Sheriff's Log

Cat vs. bat vs. human on Dolores

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.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Carmel Valley: An altercation was reported between husband and wife over joint property on Robinson Canyon Road.

Carmel area: A found wallet at the Barnyard was turned in to the sheriff's office.

Carmel area: Domestic battery was reported at the Crossroads.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a Carmel Valley Road residence for a disturbance involving family members.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Theft of a cell phone reported at Mission and Third.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Theft of a purse at Junipero and Sixth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Verbal disturbance on Junipero.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lunch bag left at bus stop at Junipero and Sixth.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle towed from Light-house and Eardley.

Carmel Valley: A male Nason Road resident willfully went to the hospital for a mental health evaluation.

Carmel area: Suspect accosted the victim on Rio Road, challenging him to a fight in a local place.

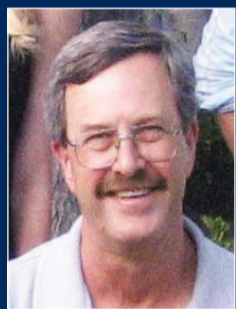
Carmel Valley: Suspect made threats to multiple victims in front of deputies at a wedding on Carmel Valley Road. The 27-year-old male was arrested.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Animal control responded to a report of a dog unattended in a parked vehicle at Junipero and Fifth. Animal control located the vehicle and observed an elderly dog with heavy breathing and a high temperature inside the vehicle. Attempts were made to contact the owner of the vehicle. At the time of starting to take the dog out of the vehicle, the owner returned.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of battery at Ocean and Lincoln.

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The gavel falls

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

Aug. 26 — The Hon. Pamela L. Butler sentenced Christopher Garduno, 20, a resident of King City, to serve six years in state prison. Garduno previously pleaded no contest to a single charge of committing a lewd act on a child under the age of 14. He also admitted that he was previously convicted of a serious felony offense (a strike). Garduno's current conviction qualifies as a violent strike under California's three strikes law. He must register as a sex offender for no less than 20 years.

On Aug. 28, 2021, the Monterey County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a runaway 13-year-old (Jane Doe). Before a deputy arrived, Doe had returned home. During an interview with her, deputy Gregory Wise learned that she had met an adult man, Garduno, on the social media application SnapChat. Doe showed Wise a picture of Garduno from SnapChat. She disclosed

that Garduno knew she was only 13 years old when he came to her house and committed a lewd act with her. However, Garduno had led Doe to believe he was under the age of 18. After Garduno came to her home, Doe left with him, which led her mother to report that she had run away. A forensic exam was conducted on Jane Doe, and Garduno's DNA was located.

The victim in this case was assisted by victim witness Advocate Mayra Sandoval.

Aug. 31 — The Hon. Stephanie E. Hulsey sentenced Vincent Barnes, 31, a resident of Bradley, to serve four years in state prison. Barnes previously pleaded no contest to one charge of committing a lewd act on a child under the age of 14 and one charge of sexual battery by restraint against an adult. His conviction for committing a

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‘Strategy paper’ to be subject of Design Traditions 1.5 workshop

By MARY SCHLEY

TELLING PEOPLE how to design their houses and commercial buildings is complicated, and while the city already provides plenty of direction on everything from roofing materials and light fixtures, to paint colors and window styles, those extensive guidelines need to be updated — and in some cases, expanded. How to do that, exactly, is the subject of a “strategy paper” released by planning director Brandon Swanson this week and will be discussed at an Oct. 3 public workshop.

“The paper lays out a road map for making updates to the design guidelines based on community feedback,” he said. “It compiles input from the June workshops, the online survey, steering committee meetings and other public comments.”

And the main goal of Monday’s workshop will be “to find out from you if we accurately captured the community’s feedback before we finalize the strategy paper and start drafting the design guideline updates.”

Forested village

The paper begins with a list of some of the city’s “defining characteristics” and labels Carmel as “a village in the forest.” While updating the design guidelines, it says, several “guiding principles” should be considered, including maintaining and enhancing the forest, encouraging “modest” and “human-scaled” building designs, respecting history, fitting in with the context — which has to be defined — of a neighborhood or area, paying attention to detail and using quality building materials

and construction, and encouraging “compatible diversity” in design.

Of course, whether a building would fit in or not is subjective, as is the acceptable range of diversity in design, so the updates will attempt to hammer those issues out.

Beyond Ocean

They’ll also flesh out design standards for the commercial district that so far have

focused on Ocean Avenue and have only outlined high-level design principles for commercial buildings while being mum on design guidelines for hotels and apartment buildings that are also allowed in the business districts.

The strategy paper explores administrative processes and ways to make them better, including reestablishing the design review board, and touches on amendments

that will have to be made to the zoning code as part of the project.

The workshop will be held in Carpenter Hall in Sunset Center at Mission and Ninth from 5 to 8 p.m., as well as via Zoom. Masks are required for those attending in person.

To read the paper, go to drive.google.com/file/d/1yh1_90hOFohqmmzIYQ7TTX1AXu2Dpamx/view.

To watch or take part in the workshop remotely, go to Zoom and enter meeting ID 826 1292 4990 and passcode 681431. To call in, dial (309) 205 3325.

And finally, for more information about the city design update, email bswanson@cbs.us or call (831) 620-2024.

From light fixtures to window styles, creating a road map for the city’s development

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Monterey homeless shelter could open next year, fundraiser set for Sunday

By CHRIS COUNTS

MODELED AFTER a similar facility in Seaside that opened last year, the future Shuman Heart House at 600 E. Franklin St. in Monterey will offer temporary housing and other services to homeless women and families. So far, \$6 million has been raised for the project, while another \$1.8 million is needed.

To help bridge the funding gap, a cast of local musicians will present a fundraising concert Sunday at the Monterey County Fairgrounds.

The lineup includes Def Leppard drummer Rick Allen, his wife, singer and multi-instrumentalist Laura Monroe, singer Tammi Brown, pianist John Wineglass, singer and guitarist Katherine Lavin, singer and pianist Summer Shuman, percussionist Jayson Fann and drummer Steve Robertson.

Monroe said she's honored to contribute toward a worthy cause.

"We are so happy to support the Shuman Heart House to help women and children in need of housing in Monterey County," she said. "We've seen the increase in homelessness and suffering that has happened since the pandemic, and it will take us all coming together to help bring safety and shelter to the people in our community who so desperately need it."

Donor steps up

Built in 1930, the 6,300-square-foot building was once home to the Union Ice Factory. Most recently, it housed the Arthur Murray Dance Studio. The property measures 23,000 square feet, leaving space for improvements, which could include a playground.

The site was purchased for \$3 million in June 2021 and given to Monterey-based charity Community Human Services. The

funds came from donor Mark Shuman, whose daughter is one of the musicians playing Sunday. Shuman gave the money with the hope that "it would be the catalyst to spur community action to address the homelessness crisis."

Construction is expected to take six to eight months, and if all goes according to plan, Shuman Heart House will open sometime next summer.

Success in Seaside

The Shuman Heart House — which will offer up to 35 beds — is modeled after Casa de Noche Buena in Seaside, which opened in January 2021 and is owned and operated by Community Human Services. Shuman played a key role in funding the development of that facility, too. Jodi Litz, development director for Community Human Services, told The Pine Cone that Casa de Noche Buena has helped many people transition out of homelessness.

"It's been very successful," Litz said. "Most people who leave shelter go on to transitional or permanent housing — they're not going back out on streets."

While the facility is making a difference, it has limited resources, and the number of people who need help is far greater than its capacity. "Right now on the Monterey Peninsula, there is a huge need for any kind of transitional housing," Litz reported.

According to Litz, there are more than 2,000 homeless people in Monterey County, and recent data indicates that 116 families don't have roofs over their heads.

"About 10 percent of those are under 18," she added. "Twenty-five percent are female."

Sunday's concert, which kicks off the fundraising campaign, starts at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$25. The Monterey Fairgrounds are located at 2004 Fairground Road.



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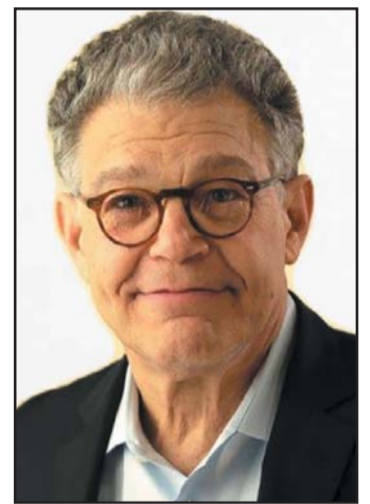
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County planning commission rejects farmworker housing

By CHRIS COUNTS

CITING CONCERNS about traffic, pedestrian safety, flood danger, earthquake risks, pesticide exposure and more, the Monterey County Planning Commission voted unanimously Wednesday to recommend denial of a plan to build housing for nearly 500 farmworkers in Pajaro.

Several planning commissioners apologized for voting against the housing, which they all agreed needs to be built somewhere.

"We desperately need housing, but we need it to be safe," said planning commissioner Marta Diehl, who represents the 5th District. "I'm not convinced this is."

Rio Vista Group LLC wants to build to four apartment buildings with a total of 60 eight-person units on 3.4 acres at the end of Susan Street. The site is located just south of the Santa Cruz-Monterey county line.

Susan Street is also home to a small community of longtime residents — many of whom have worked as farmworkers yet still oppose the development.

Pesticide worries rise

While most of the concerns raised during the Zoom hearing echoed those expressed at a March hearing, worries about pesticide exposure came as a surprise to many, including the applicant, whose representatives expressed frustration over the topic being raised "at the last minute."

But Monterey County Agricultural Commissioner Henry Gonzales reported that a day earlier, he learned that the grower next door had decided to abandon organic farming and convert the land to conventional farming and use pesticides. "We believed the property would be organic and stay that way," Gonzales said.

That led to a lengthy debate about what size buffer of vegetation to require between

the grower and the housing to keep the residents safe — with Gonzales noting that pesticides can travel up to 2 miles.

There was also talk over whether a zoning ordinance or a provision in the general plan should settle the question — with the county supporting the latter, which would allow for a lesser buffer. Attorney Zan Henson, who is representing a group of residents, disagreed and warned that the project could end up in court.

"You can approve it if you want, but you're going to get sued," he suggested. "It's totally illegal."

Flood risk is real

Diehl reminded everybody that flood risk at the site is a serious threat. "None of us are going to forget the flooding in Pajaro in 1995 and the difficulties the people who live there faced," she said.

A retired civil engineer who has long been involved in conservation efforts in Pajaro, Kenn Reiller suggested the development could jeopardize a flood control project that's in the works — and that Pajaro needs an evacuation plan first.

Kathryn Avila of the builder, Avila Construction, urged the planning commission to approve the housing plan.

"We're in dire need of housing," she said. "This project addresses that."

Mike Avila of Avila Construction called it "long-awaited," and said "a lot of work has gone into it."

Another speaker, Sal Jimenez, agreed the county needs more housing and he urged planning commissioners not to "turn a blind eye to it."

But others pushed the planning commission to put the brakes on. "What is the rush?" Pajaro resident Katherine Shaw asked.

"We need to make sure we can keep 480 people safe," she added.



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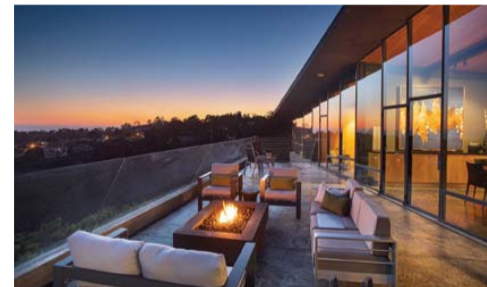


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Stevenson president still on leave, upper school head steps in

By KELLY NIX

STEVENSON SCHOOL's board of trustees has appointed the head of the Pebble Beach campus to fill in for the president, who was placed on administrative leave in August pending an investigation into undisclosed "employee concerns."

On Monday, Stevenson informed parents and employees of the Pebble Beach day and boarding school that its trustees appointed upper division head Daniel Griffiths to be acting president while Kevin Hicks is on "temporary administrative leave from his duties as president of the school."

The "board has appointed Dr. Daniel Griffiths to serve as the acting president, and he has graciously accepted," according to the chair of Stevenson's board of trustees, David Colburn.

'Leadership experience'

The school has been tightlipped about Hicks' leave, only telling parents and The Pine Cone that he was benched pending an independent inquiry "into certain employee concerns." Hicks, who graduated from Stevenson School in 1985, began as president

in July 2015 after longtime school head Joseph Wandke retired.

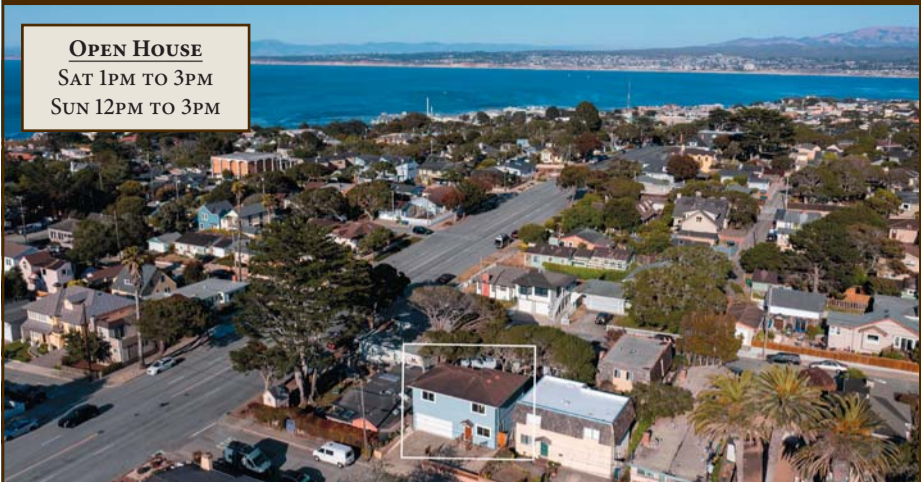
Griffiths, who has been the head of the high school since 2017, "brings a wealth of leadership experience through his roles both at Stevenson and previously at the Catlin Gabel School, a distinguished independent day school in Portland, Ore.," according to Colburn.

"The board is grateful for Dr. Griffiths' willingness to step in and to help ensure the seamless operation of our school," Colburn went on to say. "We are confident that with his leadership, and the full support of the senior leadership team, the regular work of the school will continue with excellence and distinction — in the classroom and across every area of our campuses."

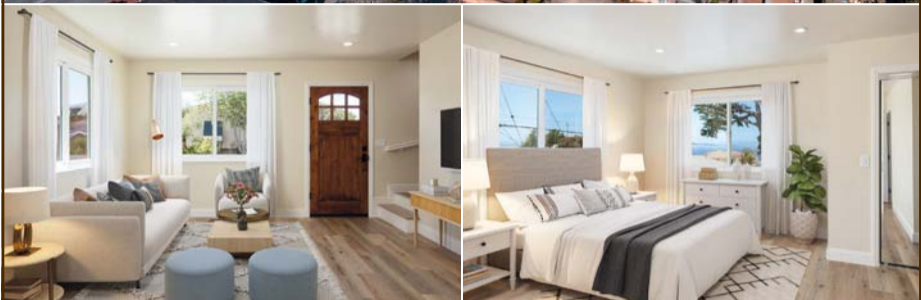
The school's 20-member board of trustees includes former Pebble Beach Company CEO Bill Perocchi and president and CEO of Montage Health, Dr. Steven Packer. Ted Balestreri, chairman and CEO of the Cannery Row Company, is one of two emeritus trustees at Stevenson School.

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NOAA building to get historic review

By CHRIS COUNTS

THOSE WHO want to see the former NOAA building in Pacific Grove turned into a science and art center celebrated a unanimous vote Wednesday by the city's historical resources committee to recommend that the city hire an expert to weigh in on whether the building, which was built in 1952 as a U.S. Navy training center, is historically significant.

Such a designation, if enacted by the city, would no doubt put hurdles in front of any effort to redevelop the property. The building was sold by Government Services Administration in April for \$4.8 million. At the time, the buyer, North Carolina resident Tianzhi Chu, said he intended to turn the angular, concrete building into a home for his mother.

'Important first step'

A local group, which calls itself COAST, wanted the federal government to donate the building so it could be turned into a science and environmental center. One of its leaders, Ken Parker, told The Pine Cone that the property is significant historically and culturally, and also provides critical habitat. Now that the property is privately owned, it's not clear how such a donation could happen.

Nevertheless, "there are so many reasons" why the property is important and should be preserved as a public resource, Parker said. He called the vote to recommend hiring the consultant "an important first step."

Congressman Jimmy Panetta is supporting the group's efforts, and he previously criticized the federal Public Buildings Reform Board for failing "to engage with local stakeholders," before selling the property.

An attorney for the Chu family, Jason Retterer, said the building does not meet the criteria of the California Register of Historic Resources, the National Register of Historic Places or Pacific Grove's historic resource inventory.

He also contends the Government Services Administration reached out to 15 Native American tribes for comment about the pending sale and didn't receive a response.

Located on 4.28 highly scenic acres at 1352 Lighthouse Ave. in Pacific Grove, the 11,200 square-foot building was a weather station for NOAA before being transferred to the GSA in 1995.

In 2009, artist Ray Troll was commissioned to create a colorful 400-foot-long mural of sea life on the building. The effort cost taxpayers \$120,000.

P.G. students create art on playground

By KELLY NIX

STUDENTS AT Forest Grove Elementary School in Pacific Grove upheld a school tradition last week when they created a large mural on the school's blacktop. This year's theme was 'pollinators and native California plants.'

For years, students at the school have participated in Forest Grove's Chalk Art Festival, which this month had them color in an elaborate art piece sketched and designed by artist Kim Kasner Stone. Stone worked with Amber Pacheco to organize the event.

"Kim chose this year's pollinators and native California plants theme because she wanted students to see what animals help plants

grow, and plants that are native to California," Hetal Patel, a parent and the Forest Grove PTA's vice president of fundraising told The Pine Cone. "With the butterfly

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Hundreds of students at Forest Grove Elementary School in Pacific Grove helped color this chalk art mural on the school's blacktop last week.



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Carmel Unified School District,
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- 2 Stop surprises, the RDEIR includes significant NEW expanded construction projects.**

 - Re-start community engagement with a legally required Scoping Session.
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Lots of talk but little action planned in packed council agenda

By MARY SCHLEY

HOUSE NUMBERS, paid parking, a new fire engine, state building codes, rules of conduct at public meetings, historic preservation and a few other issues make up a dense agenda planned for the city council's Oct. 4 meeting, but most will involve no actual decisions, instead seeking "direction to staff."

A six-page white paper telling the story of the city's development since the 1880s era of Santiago Duckworth outlines the debate over house numbers and whether a street-address system should be implemented. Council members will be asked to prioritize "ensuring and maintaining the downtown post office in operation, a clear stand against implementing at-home mail delivery, and consideration of whether street address signs would be subject to specifically developed design standards" when they talk about what to do next.

On paid parking, which the city council has said it wants studied, city administrator Chip Rerig will ask when and how staff should take the next step of public outreach. "This public engagement is needed to thoroughly explain the need for paid parking and to design a program which is well-planned and meets the public's expectation," his report says. To that end, should it happen as soon as possible, or after newly elected officials are seated in 2023? Or should the new council be asked if it wants to go in another direction entirely?

Code updates

Building official Jermel Laurie will offer a presentation on the 2022 editions of the California building, residential, energy, fire, mechanical, plumbing, electrical, green building standards, historic building, and existing building codes that take effect Jan. 1, 2023, and will discuss

possible local amendments "addressing unique conditions and circumstances in the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea."

Last spring, the council adopted an urgency ordinance requiring people to be vaccinated, boosted and masked to attend meetings of the city council and other legislative bodies in person, and mandating no more than 27 people be inside, in order to ensure social distancing. With those requirements long dead at many other public and private venues, the council is set to discuss withdrawing or changing the rules, but not to take any official action, which means they'll remain in place for at least another month.

Filling vacancies

The city is having a hard time finding people to serve on the historic resources board, considering the rules state that three of its five members must be professionals in "1) history, architectural history, or urban design, (2) architecture or historic architecture, and (3) archaeology, anthropology, or paleontology." In addition, they should be electors who live in the city. The council will consider whether to loosen those requirements to widen the pool of applicants. The HRB is one member short at the moment.

Council members are also set to consider changes to the policy on Mills Act contracts, which provide tax breaks to property owners who commit to preserving their historic structures.

Agenda items calling for actual action are Mills Act contracts for three historic homes, a contract to buy a new fire engine for \$880,000, and an ordinance allowing new employees to use accrued vacation time during their first year. For a complete agenda and details on how to participate in the meeting in person or via zoom, go to ci.carmel.ca.us. It starts at 4:30 p.m.



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FORUM

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Association board, and Baron said residents might have their gripes, but the business community “is part of the fabric of Carmel.”

Asked what the city can do to better support businesses, Logan and Dramov focused on beautification — an oft-repeated topic in Dramov’s platform in particular — with Logan complaining about empty tree wells and Dramov noting shabby sidewalks and tripping hazards.

Businesses should be encouraged to contribute to the community, Stoddard said, and Baron said communication and collaboration are key.

What businesses does the city lack? Stoddard said the town needs a higher-end hotel to compete with the likes of the Lodge at Pebble Beach and Spanish Bay, but otherwise, “we’re kind of perfect.”

Baron focused on those that provide experiences, like bike rentals from Mad Dogs & Englishmen, since internet sales are impacting retail, and Dramov said the free market dictates downtown’s needs.

Perhaps unsurprisingly, considering his establishment is often the only one open until 2 a.m., Logan said the city needs more late-night activities, like live music, to keep people entertained. “When nightfall comes, they’re still looking for something to do,” he said.

Planning help

When asked how the planning department should streamline processes or otherwise facilitate businesses, Baron said it shouldn’t. “We have really strict regulations in town that keep Carmel special,” he said. “From my perspective, they are fine.”

Dramov said she’s heard complaints about permits taking too long but acknowledged that that phenomenon is “part of city government. Things don’t happen as quickly as you’d like.” Nonetheless, she said she’d have a conversation about it.

Logan said it’s up to planning director Brandon Swanson to answer that question, and Stoddard predicted the processes will improve.

“This is not the first time we’ve talked about it,” Dramov said when the topic of parking congestion arose. Her remark elicited laughter from the audience, and she went on to repeat her suggestions that employees park away from the business district, and that a garage be built

in the north lot at Sunset Center.

“It’s rumored that my great-grandfather rode his horse up to Carmel Bakery and turned back around to go home because he couldn’t find parking,” Logan quipped, also prompting laughs.

People should stop complaining about parking and just deal with it, according to Logan. “We’ve tried every idea. There’s nothing new that anyone can present. The town gets busy.”

As a downtown gallery owner, Stoddard said parking is an issue for her, since people who can’t find any will give up and leave.

“That’s a loss of business, a loss of connection,” she said, and solutions would be building a garage, shuttling employees and encouraging alternative forms of transportation, like bicycles. Stoddard also noted that every other Peninsula city charges for parking, which allows people to stay, shop, eat and drink for as long as they want.

“Too many cars come into town,” Baron said, but traffic could be cut by providing more bike racks and public transportation.

“There are a lot of cars, and there are a lot of ways to get hit by cars,” he added.

Not in error

After hearing about a new requirement that Carmel needs to pave the way for 349 new housing units over the next eight years to fulfill its share of the region’s needs, Logan said he thought the number must be wrong.

But when his subsequent research revealed otherwise, Logan concluded the best option is to fight it. “We don’t have the room for that,” he said. “It would be a health and safety risk to accommodate it.”

“Unfortunately, it is mandated,” Stoddard said, reiterating her idea that vacation homes, as well as houses with accessory dwelling units, could be used to meet that demand.

“That would build our community socially and economically,” she said. “If people have the space and want to put a dwelling there, let’s get in front of it. I do believe there are some creative solutions.”

“We need to come together as a community to find a place where we can put these units,” Baron said, such as by further developing Sunset Center, repurposing Vista Lobos and replacing upstairs offices downtown. “This is something that affects every business and every person in this room.”

Dramov took aim at Stoddard’s suggestions as a potential violation of property rights and said she’d heard from

residents “horrified” by the prospect of “being forced to open their homes to people.”

She suggested looking at city-owned properties for opportunities and repeated that Carmel Plaza’s top floor could be converted to residential.

“It could really transform downtown Carmel and make it an exciting, dynamic place,” she said.

Stoddard was next in line to speak on the next topic — the high percentage of vacation homes here — and took the opportunity to shoot down Dramov’s Plaza idea.

“I think some businesses in Carmel Plaza would be horrified to have residents in there,” she said. “There are a lot of high-end businesses in there.”

“Nobody here is taking away anyone’s private property rights,” Baron chimed in. “Carmel Plaza is a piece of private property, too, and I don’t understand how forcing Carmel Plaza to put in residential units will solve our housing issue.”

Baron said imposing an extra tax on the owners of second homes is “something for the community to decide,” while Dramov defended those with vacation homes here.

“People demonize second-home owners,” she said. “I don’t like making them the bad guy.”

And by the way, she said, she wasn’t saying Carmel Plaza should be compelled to add residential units, she was just suggesting the owner might be interested in the concept.

“The whole idea is preposterous,” Logan said, returning to the second-home tax that his landlord, Monaco businessman Patrice Pastor, would certainly have to pay if it were imposed. “It’s a property owner’s right to not live in their house. When they come here to use it, it’s theirs, because they worked hard to get it.”

Pacaso bad

They united in their disdain for fractional home ownership and Pacaso, which sells interests in homes to people who then take turns staying in them.

“Pacaso is a business model that is anathema to everything that belongs in town, and we should stamp it out,” Baron said, and Dramov and Logan noted that, for once, they agreed with him.

“Timeshares are even crazier than vacation rentals,” Stoddard said, and then took the opportunity to jump back into sparring over property rights.

“I never said anything about people taking rights away from property owners,” she said. “I was talking about incentivizing them.”

On the budget and how money should be spent, Dramov said she’s worried about pension costs, and Logan said more should be put in reserves, which are already quite healthy, and could also be spent on filling those previously mentioned empty tree wells.

Stoddard praised the city for passing a balanced budget — which is required by law — and Baron said the council needs to hear more from the public on how their tax dollars should be spent. “A lot of people have ideas about what they want to do with the budget, but very few people come and talk to us,” he said.

All the candidates said the chamber should get more tax dollars. Logan admitted he’s not a member but would join “tomorrow.”

Finally, when asked what leadership skills they possess that make them the right choice, Stoddard pointed to her community involvement with local nonprofits, Baron said he’s a good listener and a good talker, Dramov said she’s a genuine person and a good listener, and Logan said he connects with billionaires and homeless people alike.



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DEI

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Rau has defended the post, telling The Pine Cone Sept. 13 that she made it after being upset over the Supreme Court of the United States' decision to overturn Roe vs. Wade. She blamed organized religion for the court decision, saying "no religion has the right to dictate other people's bodily autonomy."

The Supreme Court's decision, however, wasn't based on religious considerations, but on the Constitution's separation of powers, which doesn't give the courts the power to make laws. Decisions about the legalization of abortion, the High Court ruled in June, have to be made by Congress and the state legislatures, not judges.

Rau's social media post has received considerable criticism, with residents and others questioning why a member of the DEI Task Force — which advocates for diversity and inclusion — would mock religious groups.

'Resign now'

This week, Pacific Grove Mayor Bill Peake said he was in "complete agreement" with Panetta when he told the city's DEI task force to "exercise tolerance and acceptance for all genders, races and religions."

The DEI task force, Peake said, was formed to "promote respect for views held by the community, and to make everyone feel comfortable and welcome, regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, and sexual orientation," Peake told The Pine Cone.

The mayor also cited the city's code of conduct, which calls for those on the council and other municipal boards to value "all opinions" and be "tolerant of new and different

ideas while encouraging creativity and innovation," while agreeing that "inappropriate behavior is derogatory and damages the perception of the city."

Pacific Grove resident Mike Gibbs, who heads a new community group called PG Lives, which says it's committed to "traditional values of strong families, vibrant businesses, and community service," said Rau's "intolerant personal opinions are unacceptable, and do not reflect the positive values and aspirations of regular Pacific Grove citizens."

"She has a right to her opinion, but as an appointee of the council, there is no place for a Pacific Grove task force or commission" that degrades "Christians, Muslims, or anyone else," Gibbs told The Pine Cone.

"Therefore, in the name of decency and common sense," Gibbs went on to say, "I am calling for her immediate resignation. Absent that, I'm calling for her removal ASAP from the task force by the mayor and the city council."

"Buy a Bible, don't read it, and you'll be a Catholic," Rau's August Twitter post said. "Buy a Bible, read only what suits you and you will be an Evangelical."

In the past week, Rau made her Twitter page private.

Nobody's talking

In a letter Tuesday to members of the city council,



This unidentified man was caught on surveillance taking Debby Beck for City Council campaign signs from a Pacific Grove property this week, Beck told The Pine Cone.

resident Richard O'Mara questioned why Rau was made the DEI Task Force's chair, and said she has demonstrated "with her writings that she in fact is the last person on the planet that should be doing something like this."

He said Rau has "insulted" many P.G. residents with the "inappropriate rantings" about Catholicism and Christianity, and is not capable of being the head of the DEI.

"I urge you, mayor and council, to immediately terminate Ms. Rau from her position and to consider shutting down this task force of hate," O'Mara said. "It has no place in our city."

O'Mara, who said he's lived in P.G. since 1978 and worked for the city, said he's never heard any Pacific Grove resident complain about working, operating a business or "participating in a full, rich life" in P.G. "because of their race or ethnicity."

Even if it's determined that Rau's social media post violated Pacific Grove's city's code of conduct, it would not be easy to remove her from the DEI task force. While

members of that body and other city committees serve at the pleasure of the council, a council member would have to bring the issue forward and four of seven members would have to vote for her removal. Rau's term on the council expires in January.

The Pine Cone sent questions to Rau this week but she did not respond. Questions were also sent to the chair of the Monterey County Democratic Central Committee, which endorsed Rau's council candidacy, and the other members of the task force, but they were not answered.



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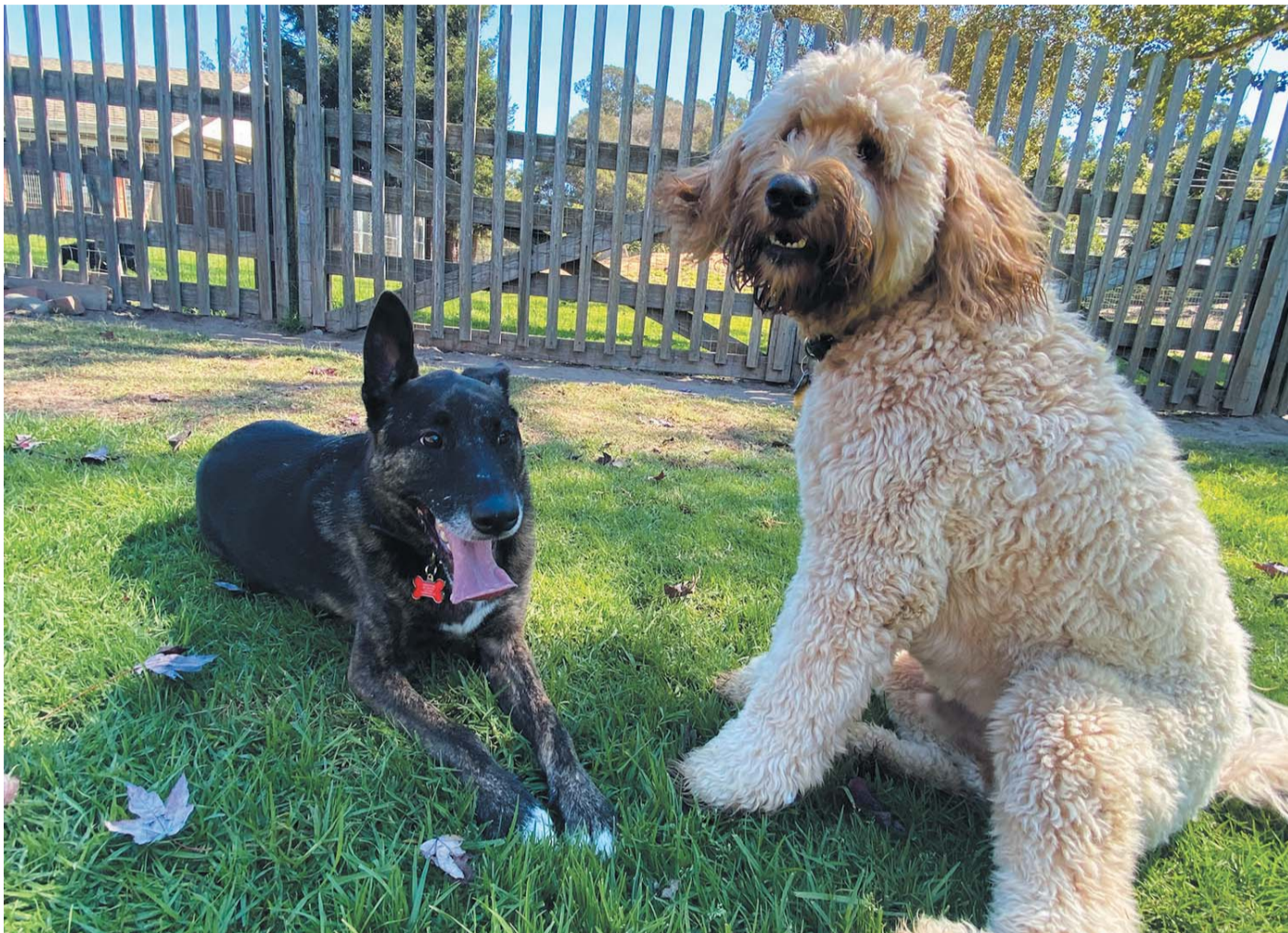
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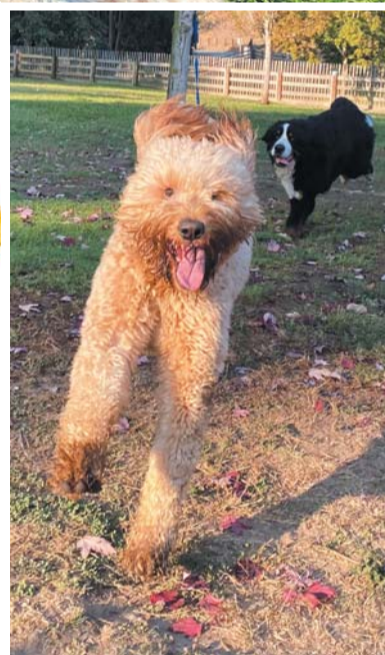
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Governor signs bills to curtail epidemic of catalytic converter thefts

By KELLY NIX

GOV. GAVIN Newsom this week announced a new law he said would reduce thefts of catalytic converters — which reduce the environmental effects of harmful gases from a vehicle's exhaust system. The devices have become prime targets from thieves who steal them from cars for the precious metals inside.

On Sept. 25, Newsom announced that he signed a pair of bills introduced by Democratic State Sen. Lena Gonzalez and Assemblyman Al Muratsuchi to close loopholes in existing laws related to the sales of catalytic converters. Newsom blamed brokers and "middle men" for paying "top dollar" for stolen parts.

"It will now be illegal to buy catalytic converters from anyone other than licensed auto dismantlers and/or dealers," Newsom told the press.

Records required

Existing law requires catalytic converter purchasers to maintain records of information regarding purchases of the devices. The new bill would require recyclers to include more details about the transaction, including the year, make and model of the vehicle from which the catalytic converter was removed. The idea is that it will be easier to trace thefts. The laws go into effect Jan. 1, 2023.

"You take away the market for stolen goods, you can help cut down on stealing," according to Newsom. "It's not much more complicated than that."

Violation of Gonzalez's bill, SB 1087, would be considered an infraction and punishable with a fine between \$1,000 to

\$5,000, she said.

According to AAA, since 2019, catalytic converter thefts have increased 1,000 percent.

While almost any car could be a candidate for the thieves, SUVs and fleet vehicles have been the prime targets, according to AAA. Toyota Priuses are also targeted because they have two catalytic converters and more precious metals.

"Typically, recyclers will pay \$50 to \$250 per catalytic converter," AAA said in July. "Unfortunately for the victims of catalytic converter theft, the cost to replace the part could cost between \$1,000 to \$3,000, depending on the car or truck, and the vehicle may not be legal to drive until the part is replaced."

Catalytic converters contain precious metals, including platinum, palladium and rhodium, which help break down vehicle pollutants.

MURAL

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wings, the mural is about 36 feet by 52 feet."

Stone, whose 8-year-old son is a Forest Grove student, also designed the mural. She said the school's chalk art festival is a great way for kids to "be outside, getting dirty and being creative together."

"The beauty of the mural is that it's not mine or yours, but it's ours together, worked on by many incredible parents and nearly 400 students," said Stone, who moved to Pacific Grove in 2018.


Last year, when students returned to the classroom after pandemic-prompted distance learning, the theme was "California fun in the sun," which featured the beach, surfing, sea creatures, a rainbow and other beachy references.

To memorialize the mural, which will vanish during the next decent rainstorm, photographer Paul Black used a drone to capture the colorful artwork.




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A catalytic converter installed in a car's exhaust system. Located between the engine and the muffler, the part is valuable and easy to steal.



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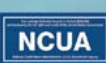

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LTEs

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'Incorrectly represented'

Dear Editor,

City council incumbent Jeff Baron incorrectly represented Stop Cell Towers in Carmel Neighborhoods at the CRA city council candidates forum last Wednesday. He implied our group's name means we are for no cell service in Carmel neighborhoods. This is absolutely incorrect.

Let us be very clear: We are for cellular service, in the least intrusive means to our residential neighborhoods. In other words, we can have cellular service without facilities placed in front of our homes. It requires telecom companies to upgrade their existing facilities in commercial zones and macro towers to supply service.

Residents already have access to wired broadband for secure internet and cable streaming services with WiFi routers for cellular service indoors and inexpensive boosters and extenders are available. And we have great service outdoors.

For many, their home is their single greatest financial asset. Homeowners located near cell towers have no way to indemnify themselves from injury or property damage from cell tower falling impacts or electrical fire. Cell towers are out of scale, out of character, unnecessary, redundant, noisy, unsafe, create view impacts and a visual blight that degrades our neighborhoods. Many people have radiation health concerns. The general estimated property devaluation of living next to a cell tower is 20 percent.

Stop Cell Towers in Carmel Neighborhoods stands together with our city: "The stated goal of these ordinances is to regulate the installation of wireless facilities to the greatest extent allowed under federal law and to ensure the utmost protection of the unique aesthetic character of Carmel-by-the-Sea."

Christy Hollenbeck, Tasha Witt and Bob Kavner, Stop Cell Towers in Carmel Neighborhoods

'Time to stop the desecration'

Dear Editor,

I would like to voice my opinion that beach fires need to be eliminated completely.

I have lived here my entire life and have watched the beach attract more and more people due to its beauty, and at the same time watched the amount of garbage and lack of concern for the beach environment change the beach for the worse.

Too many people have a great disregard for the beach, the sand, and the walkway.

The argument that the romanticism and tradition of warming beach fires is something that has to be continued does not take into consideration the value of the white sand that the beach once was.

Go for a walk. Wear layers. Stop the fires. People are too irresponsible when partying on the beach. Too many times I have picked up bags of garbage (glass, food, cans, cigarette butts, doggie poop bags, etc.) after the nights of people partying on the beach.

I am not a NIMBY. I am a local who values the town I live and work in. Time to stop the fires and desecration of the beach.

Mike Cate, Carmel

Disappointed

Dear Editor,

Do you remember how you feel when an old friend tells you something that is not true? Disappointed. That is how I felt after reading the editorial, "No more nominations, please," in a recent Pine Cone. The article was about the fictitious NIMBY Hall of Fame with the winner being the Carmel residents who oppose lighting the local football stadium. But the misinformation in the article about two other NIMBY Hall of Fame contenders makes me question the authenticity of my old friend, The Pine Cone.

The first case is the Highway 68 roundabout. I was a skeptic too, but to my pleasant surprise, the roundabout works. However, contrary to the counter-NIMBY narrative, it does confuse many motorists and it is far from an "unmitigated

blessing." The second case is the Pebble Beach affordable housing project. I was a member of the committee opposing the project. While some opposition was for less than noble reasons, the committee never opposed affordable housing inside Pebble Beach. We were against cutting down hundreds of trees, including mature Monterey pines, but we identified three other locations within Pebble Beach for affordable housing that did not require massive tree removal.

Additionally, we preferred multiple smaller housing units spread throughout the community so the families who lived there could be integrated into our community as opposed to being "barely noticeable" in its current isolated setting. The other potential locations likely conflicted with plans that the P.B. Co. had for those sites and being the property owner (like NIMBYs), the company has rights too.

I know some of the people who oppose the stadium lights project. They are not NIMBYs. They have legitimate concerns. While the arguments against the roundabout and affordable housing projects were speculative, the property owners who live nearby Carmel High School have already experienced some of the effects of large crowds attending high school events. Perhaps this can be mitigated, but it cannot be scored as NIMBY nonsense. I suspect the high school will get its lights like the Pebble Beach Company prevailed over concerned property owners only reinforcing taxpayers' loss of trust in governance and the press.

Hy Rothstein, Pebble Beach

Keep natural gas

Dear Editor,

The California Air Resources Board has recently approved a ban on natural gas furnaces and heaters. The unanimous decision aims to phase out the sale of natural gas space and water heaters by 2030.

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Vince Tuminello, Pacific Grove

Deserved remembrances

Dear Editor,

I am surprised that Carmel makes nothing of the fact that it hosted, from October 1949 to June 1950, the famous Belgian author Georges Simenon, the creator of the detective Maigret and author of hundreds of novels translated and sold worldwide to the tune of over 800 million copies. Had he spent just a week in England his house would now wear one of the coveted blue plaques affixed to buildings associated with literary greats.

Simenon must have felt comfortable in Carmel, as he wrote six books during his short stay there, even though he had marital entanglements and a new baby to distract him. In "Des Traces de Pas" and "Mémoires Intimes," he gives us his mostly affectionate observations of life in the "fairy tale village" of Carmel.

The daily ritual of gathering at the post office to collect mail rather than having it delivered amazes Simenon and he is struck by the Old World courtesy of drivers. He notes the absence of neon signs and advertising hoardings and applauds the cosmopolitan range of foodstuffs. He spent time in the library, which is also a meeting place, and discovers a surprising collection of poetry and works in foreign languages.

He writes of the explosion in the spring of colourful flowers cared for with love and pride (amour et fierté) by the Anglo-Saxon women of Carmel, and of manicured lawns and unfenced gardens.

Where did Simenon live in Carmel? He tells us that he found a house to rent with the help of the manager of a local hotel and adds that it lay at the far end of the town. Simenon's neighbour is a poet, "a white-haired man although still fairly young" living in a house which Simenon presumes is at the bottom of a strange tower which can be seen above the tops of the trees.



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BOARS

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sensitive habitats, farms and wildlife. By increasing opportunities to hunt them, we can reduce the threat to our state," said Dodd, whose district stretches from Sacramento to Vallejo.

Experts say there are as many as 400,000 wild pigs in the state, where they cause "numerous environmental and public health problems," according to Dodd. The bill lifts "remaining hunting restrictions," allowing for "better population control."

There are limits

But there are also some limitations in the bill regarding how wild pigs can be killed — in contrast to other states like Texas, where some go as far as using helicopters and

machine guns to try to eradicate them.

For instance, wild pigs can't be fenced in or trapped with devices that grip their bodies in any way — not all traps have claws on them — and lights can't be used to hunt them at night. Also, nonlead ammunition must be used within the range of the California condor, which includes Monterey County.

The executive director of the Monterey County Farm Bureau, Norm Groot, welcomes the new rules.

"This really focuses on the explosion of the population of pigs in recent years," Groot told The Pine Cone. "Because of the drought, they've come out of the hills in search of food and water. It's a huge concern if they get into a vineyard or a production field. We want to make it easier for farm operators and land managers to take care of problems in a fairly easy manner — it's an important issue."

Groot said that it would be helpful if we had a little wet weather, too. "What we really need is rain, because then they'll stay up in the hills," he added.



JOHN WILLIAM REINHARDT

John William Reinhardt (aka THE Rhino), 69, died at 3:54 p.m. on May 14th, 2022, in Carmel California.

John is survived by his brother, James K. Reinhardt (Kathy Schultz) of Sonora; and his three daughters, Megan McShane, Caitlin McShane, and Mara McShane; a niece, Terra (Reinhardt) Biglieri; a nephew, Sean Reinhardt and their children; and many friends thought of as extended family.

John was born in Gary, Indiana on January 25, 1953, to William Reinhardt and E. Barbara (Kilby) Reinhardt. The family lived in the greater Chicago area with a three-year residency in Mexico City. John graduated from Hinsdale Central High School in 1972 and then attended the University of the Pacific in California, graduating with a degree in history in 1975.

He met his first wife, Kathy McShane, at UOP. After a year teaching in Mexico, they settled in Carmel where he worked as a project manager for Public Storage. Later he worked and lived in the Bay Area, began his family, worked at various construction jobs, until a knee injury required him to stop. Later in life, John married Pam Walters, also of Carmel, and moved to Mexico. They divorced after a few years. He chose to live the remainder of his journey in Carmel surrounded by good friends and fellowship.

This information by no means describes who he became as a person. His list of accomplishments as well as challenges he encountered and overcame were endless. Headstrong, temperamental at times, he persevered through many obstacles including estrangements, addiction, loss of limb and leukemia, that would have put a lesser soul under much sooner. Through it all, he always kept his sense of humor, his eclectic taste in music, and unwavering courage. His passion for life and the boundless caring and kindness he demonstrated towards others, will be a part of his legacy.

He lived and died as a warrior, fighting the good fight, in his way and in his time, and he will be missed.

Friends and family are invited to his Celebration of Life II. We will gather on Saturday, October 15 at Carmel Beach near 13th Street. Join us from 2 to 6 p.m., with eulogy/remembrances from 3 to 4 p.m. followed by a potluck. For more information contact Jim Reinhardt at (209) 743-8971.

Donations in John's name may be made to Pacific Cancer Care or Alcoholics Anonymous.

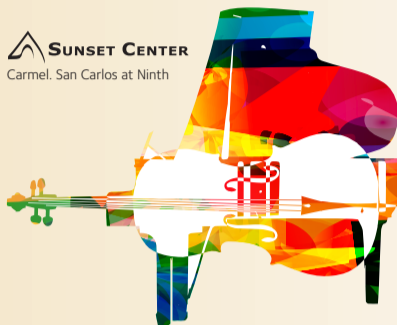
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ROBERT WILLIAM COWDREY

June 10, 1948 – September 7, 2022

Born in Nuremberg, Germany, to Lt. Col. Charles Howard and Catherine (Quass) Cowdrey, Bob moved with his family to his father's new posting at Fort Ord, CA before another assignment took them to White Sands, NM. Upon his father's retirement from the U.S. Army, they returned to the Monterey Peninsula, settling in Del Rey Oaks. Bob often recounted tales of his happy, adventurous boyhood, which tested parental limits, until he graduated from Monterey High School in 1968.



Bob began his 50-year career of service, first by joining the U.S. Army in early 1969, where he was posted at the West German border and trained under the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. He came home after his honorable discharge to work in the hospitality industry and was initially hired by Del Monte Hyatt in 1971, with a later transfer to their Birmingham, AL property. Bob returned to the peninsula to join Doubletree Hotels in the opening of their Monterey property (now the Portola Hotel and Spa), working closely with the City of Monterey and the newly opened Monterey Conference Center. In 1979, Bob moved across the street to join the new ownership of the Hotel San Carlos (now the site of Monterey Marriott), a property recently purchased by a group of local businessmen. These last two enduring, important relationships would be significant to Bob's future efforts, relative to revitalizing downtown Monterey.

Having always worked in hotel operations, Bob took the opportunity to change his career path to sales and marketing, which meant new experiences and travel. He expanded his resort/convention sales expertise by accepting jobs in Palm Springs; Jackson Hole, WY; Grand Rapids, MI; and San Francisco. Then a chance was offered to move back to the Monterey Peninsula to be closer to his family and, for the next 23 years, the Pebble Beach Company was "home." Initially hired for the 1987 opening of The Inn at Spanish Bay, he was invited to join the impressive pool of talent at Pebble Beach Resorts for the next 20 years. Bob managed sales, marketing and conference services, as well as being integral to the planning and success of numerous world-class special events. He departed from the company as Senior Vice

President of Sales and Marketing in 2007.

During his early years at PB Resorts, Bob met Karen Pennell (Golf Division Office Manager) and their romance began while playing on the same winning company softball team. They married at Carmel Valley Ranch on September 9, 1989, and Vanessa was born that December. Bob celebrated the birth of his daughter with John Chadwell, Pebble Beach Company president, at The Inn's New Year's Eve extravaganza and both were denied entry into CHOMP at midnight to visit her due to excessive jubilation (fueled by a few celebratory toasts). Bob and John shared a special bond at work and in play; their family became our family.

After leaving the employ of PB Resorts, Bob continued to work for Pebble Beach Company as a consultant to help, primarily, with the planning of the 2010 U.S. Open at Pebble Beach, his third championship (1992 and 2000). In the fall of 2009, Cowdrey was hired as the interim CEO of the Monterey County Convention and Visitors Bureau and led the search to hire a permanent replacement.

In 2011, an opportunity to go back downtown was presented to Bob – a position he couldn't refuse: general manager of the Monterey Conference Center. It was sweet irony to work again with the city and its hotel community ... truly, "an opportunity of a lifetime" to be united in the purpose of renewal and growth. During his five-year tenure with the City of Monterey, Bob was instrumental in developing, coordinating and implementing the Monterey Conference Center Renovation project, including the Conference Center Financing District financial plan.

Bob worked tirelessly with stakeholders from the meeting industry, local hospitality partners, business and residential community, and city staff on the \$60M renovation of the 40-year-old Conference Center and revitalization of downtown Monterey. The Conference Center would again be the focal point of our downtown upon completion of construction in January 2018.



During his tenure, Bob also assisted with the Leon Panetta Lecture Series in many capacities, working closely with Defense Secretary Leon and Sylvia Panetta, to end their busy day with a successful evening of poignant conversation at the Monterey Conference Center and, later, the Carmel Sunset Center.

In 2016, Bob was proud to receive the honor of Person of the Year from the Monterey County Hospitality Association and was celebrated in 2017 at their annual dinner. Following his career path, it is easy to understand why Bob connected with so many people of different walks of life, professional positions and talents.

From being ringside, emotional support crew as dedicated "Show Dad" during Vanessa's equestrian career to taking care of the Panetta's beloved dog, Bravo, during lecture series evenings, Bob's calming presence spanned all scales of need; his kindness and humor greatly easing the tensest of situations.

Bob is predeceased by his parents, as well as sister and brother-in-law, Lois and Ken Hansen. Missing him now are: Big Brother Don Cowdrey (Mary Paul); wife, Karen Cowdrey; children: Kris Cowdrey (Pilar), Jeremy Cowdrey (Janey and family), Vanessa Cowdrey; numerous dear nieces and nephews and sisters-in-law. Always ready to tell a story, share a laugh, and offer a piece of wisdom or hand-up, his friends and family will feel his absence. The love expressed for Bob has bolstered our family during this difficult time. We have been blessed because of his generousness and we will live his example by offering kindness to others in our journey on this planet until we, too, return to stardust.

Cremation and interment arrangements are being coordinated by The Paul Mortuary, with a graveside ceremony and military color guard being planned at El Carmelo Cemetery, Pacific Grove. In lieu of flowers, or to honor Bob's memory, please donate to: Monterey Jazz Festival (www.montereyjazzfestival.org/jazz-education), Rancho Cielo, Elkhorn Slough Foundation, or Point Lobos Foundation.

We thank everyone for their condolences, shared memories, and support.



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SKINCARE

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saleswoman offered to move it for her.

Roderick again refused but didn't want to walk out without her purchase, and as she waited for Paul, the saleswoman showed her before-and-after photos of others who purportedly used Carmel Beauty Boutique products.

Then, "without consent or approval, Paul applied cream to the right side of Roderick's chin, followed with the use of a machine he called the 'light therapy' machine," and proceeded to try to sell the cream and machine to her "with extreme aggressiveness," according to the complaint. By then, she was surrounded by five salespeople and was the only customer, and Paul insisted she "needed the machine," though he wouldn't tell her how much it cost.

Feeling "very intimidated and fearful," she handed over her credit card, only to have Paul return with a charge slip for \$13,110 and then insist she "meet with yet another so-called skin expert" named Antonio. Again, she "was not allowed to leave with the items she had purchased," Roderick says in her complaint.

Antonio wouldn't be available for another two hours, and she "felt physically intimidated and imprisoned," so she signed the charge slip with the plan to come back to the store later, accompanied by a friend or a police officer, and return the machine and creams for a refund.

Bigger problems

But she couldn't find anyone to go with her, and when she returned, she was led into a dimly lit room where Paul put another cream on her face, exposed it to a "blue light" for seven minutes, used another machine for one minute and then pronounced the results a success.

"He overwhelmed Roderick with praise and compliments, all intended to win her approval to purchase more products," the complaint reads. He asked for her debit and credit cards, and when she declined, he insisted, so she relented, but he again refused to disclose the cost.

He returned with charges totaling \$27,855, and she told

him she couldn't afford that and had in fact come back to return the items she'd paid for earlier, since she couldn't afford them, either. "Paul responded with the statement, 'What is your problem? Is it the money?'" Roderick responded affirmatively that it was exactly the problem," the lawsuit reads.

She refused to sign the charge slips and "once again felt physically intimidated, fearful for her safety and imprisoned." Paul left her in the room, ostensibly to see Antonio about getting her a refund, and then returned to tell her he was instructed to cancel a \$12,755 charge but "wasn't happy" about it.

"Paul continued to use high-pressure intimidation to have Roderick sign the charge slip," the complaint says. "He refused to let her leave and further refused to refund the earlier purchase of \$13,110."

Feeling "extreme fear for her safety" and "very intimidated," Roderick "was unable to leave and was being forced to sign the slips," so she did so she could leave, according to the lawsuit, even though she was then required to sign other forms agreeing to no refunds. She planned to go home and call the credit card companies and the police department.

She later looked at the same products online and found them offered at much lower prices. Roderick demanded the store refund her money, but the salespeople refused. She reported the dispute to police.

Two years later, the conflict is unresolved, and she's now suing the skincare business for fraud and deceit by misrepresentation and "concealment of material facts" — namely, the prices — as well as negligent misrepresentation, and coercion and duress.

"The apparent consent of plaintiff Roderick to the purchases referred above was not real, mutual or free, in that it was obtained through duress and menace," the

Feeling 'very intimidated and fearful,' she handed over her credit card

complaint alleges.

She is also suing for intentional infliction of emotional distress, arguing the employees' actions "were intentional and malicious and done for the purpose of causing plaintiff to suffer humiliation, mental anguish, and emotional and physical distress, and were done with a wanton and reckless disregard of the consequences" to her.

Therefore, she says, she's entitled not just for the \$28,110 she paid, but for exemplary and punitive damages. Roderick is also suing for general damages, lost past and future earnings, and legal costs.

Warning given

When Erez Chen, owner of the Carmel Boutique that replaced the Carmel Beauty Boutique, received approval from the planning commission last November to operate, he was admonished to avoid the tactics that have given his and similar businesses such a bad name.

"I might sound harsh, but I want to be harsh," chair Michael LePage said at that meeting. "This is a warning. We don't want that type of business in our community. Carmel should be a wonderful experience for visitors and its residents, not some high-pressure carnival-barking type of atmosphere."

Ever since the first skincare shop opened on Ocean Avenue, people have complained about salespeople hawking samples from the sidewalks and doorways, using high-pressure sales tactics, overcharging and refusing to make refunds, or sending them home with the wrong products or completely empty bottles, boxes or vials. Customers are sometimes too embarrassed to report what amounts to theft — in some cases — and many have said the experience soured them on Carmel so much that they may never return, according to the chamber of commerce, which had logged more than 40 complaints by October 2021.

Similar businesses have opened in Lahaina, Hawaii, Key West, Fla., Aspen, Colo., and other similarly upscale communities.

The city continues to receive complaints about aggressive sales and other offenses at the Ocean Avenue skincare stores, with each incident noted in the "code compliance report" included in the monthly city council packet.

ROY DAVID LORENZ

October 25, 1927 – April 3, 2022
Monterey, CA

At the age of 17, Roy Lorenz obtained his parents' permission to enlist in the United States Navy during World War II. He wanted to serve, to volunteer, and to help make his community and his country a better, safer place. So began a long, meaningful life of volunteerism and a career in human relations that meshed well with his friendly, people-oriented disposition and desire to serve others.

Born to John and Regina Lorenz in Philadelphia, PA, Roy was the youngest of four siblings, an honors graduate of Northeast High School, Philadelphia, and the first member of his family to attend college. He received his bachelor's degree in 1951, using the GI Bill to pay for much of his education at The College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, VA. He later earned a master of science degree in personnel administration from George Washington University in Washington, D.C.

It was in the college choir at William and Mary that Roy met his duet-partner-for-life, Carol Gardner. Carol and Roy were married in Foundry Methodist Church in Washington, D.C. on June 28, 1952. Throughout their 59-year marriage, music filled their home and much of their spare time. They were founding members of I Cantori di Carmel and enjoyed singing with other local choral ensembles, including the Carmel Bach Festival Choir and the chancel choirs at Carmel Presbyterian Church, Church of the Wayfarer and First United Methodist Church, Pacific Grove.

Professionally, Roy spent most of his career in human relations with McCormick and Company, Inc., first in Baltimore, MD, then in its Schilling Division in Salinas, becoming manager of human relations in 1967. He closed out his professional career in personnel management with Nestlé Foods in Salinas.

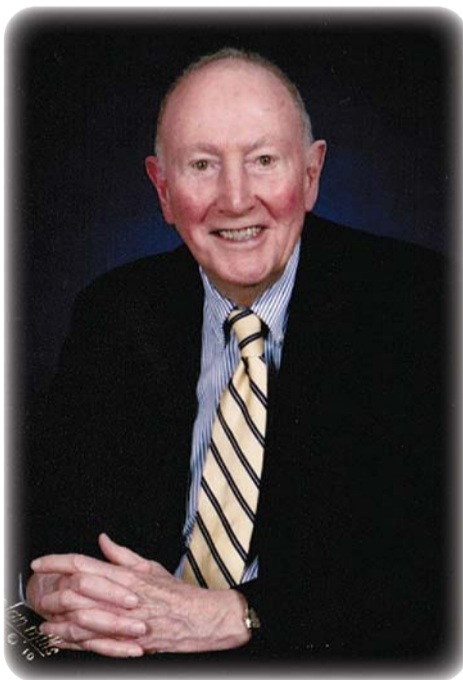
Roy transitioned easily to retirement, pouring his calm demeanor and gregarious personality into 25 years of volunteering with the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula (CHOMP) Auxiliary. During those cherished years, he accumulated over 27,000 hours serving in many roles, including president of the Auxiliary and sitting on the board of trustees.

Also active in civic affairs, Roy served on several governor's committees in Maryland, and was a vice president and a director of the Personnel Administration Association of Baltimore. Locally, he enjoyed membership in the Rotary Club of Salinas and a year-long term as a foreman on Monterey County's Civil Grand Jury.

Roy and Carol were deeply devoted to family and invested immeasurable love and care raising their two daughters in Carmel Valley. As empty nesters, they decided to move closer to the water and enjoyed many years living in Pacific Grove and Monterey. Roy was predeceased by his wife in 2011 and is survived by his daughters, Connie Lorenz Summers (Ken) and Debbie Lorenz McDevitt (Hugh); granddaughters, Kristie Summers Donavan (Keith) and Karina Summers Cruz (Adriel); three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Roy had the heart of a volunteer, a contagious smile, an outgoing and affable personality. He captured the hearts of many in the Monterey Bay Area. If you knew him, sang with him, worked or volunteered alongside him, please join in a Celebration of Life Service at 2 p.m. Saturday, October 1, at the First United Methodist Church, Pacific Grove (the Butterfly Church). With a spirit of caring for one another, please wear a mask when inside the sanctuary.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making an offering of your time or money to Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula or the charitable organization of your choice.



Elzara 'Marie' Barbier

1929 ❖ 2022

Elzara "Marie" Barbier, 92, longtime resident of Salinas, passed away Monday, September 12, 2022, in Carmel. She was born November 3, 1929, in Lewiston, Utah.



Marie died peacefully at Archway of Carmel, surrounded by her loving family and "care family" she had grown to love and rely on for her medical needs her last three years. Moments before her passing, calls came in from family in Southern California and Portland, OR,

wanting to say goodbye to their grandmother and great-grandmother, making lasting memories for Marie and family.

Marie was a former resident of Marina, where she worked in the Five & Dime Store in the 1950s. Marie was also a former resident of San Benancio Canyon, where she lived 60-plus years. She also worked for Monterey AT&T as a telephone operator for 19 years before retiring. She fondly remembered being asked to "connect" President Eisenhower to the person he wanted to call while staying with friends in Pebble Beach. And, she had a passion for "couponing" (cutting out coupons to use while shopping). Marie was renowned as a great baker and canner. She was an official "Betty Crocker Home Taste Tester" who would test (make, bake, and comment on) a recipe before it became a Betty Crocker Cake Mix or Cookie Mix. She and her daughter would also enter their cakes, cookies, jams and jellies in the Monterey County Fair and almost always won 1st and 2nd place ribbons. She loved baking for friends and family.

Marie is survived by her children, Kathleen Eckerson Ivie and John Barbier; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jean Pierre Barbier, in March of 2013.

Graveside services will begin at noon Friday, September 30, 2022, at Mission Memorial Park Cemetery, 1915 Ord Grove Ave., Seaside, CA 93955.

Arrangements entrusted to Healey Mortuary & Crematory.

Local DAR chapter celebrates 100th year

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE COMMODORE Sloat chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution celebrated its 100th anniversary on Sept. 29.

According to the national organization, its more than 190,000 members can claim direct descent from “a patriot of the American Revolution” — a designation which includes soldiers and sailors, civil servants, elected officials or any of a wide variety of people who supported the Revolutionary cause.

The local chapter was organized in Pacific Grove but moved to Monterey in recognition of that city’s historic significance.

Over the years, its many activities have included preserving local history through placing markers, preserving important papers and official documents, and encouraging young people to learn more about the past through essay contests and other activities.

It also honors women who have made significant contributions to their communities with its Women in American History awards. Veterans are another focus. In 1969, according to the group’s records, it “held a monthly party at Fort Ord Hospital for soldiers wounded in Vietnam.” That work continues, as the chapter contributes items for active duty soldiers and veterans in various medical facilities.

Past and future

Since 2005, the chapter has held its annual Ancestor Roundup, a multi-day genealogy symposium, and in June, members participated in the dedication of a marker “for Spanish patriot Ignacio Vincente Vallejo at San Carlos Cathedral in Monterey,” a press release noted.

Regent (chapter president) Cynthia Stormer said that although the group’s mission is rooted in preserving the past, “we are more excited to welcome the future!” For more information, visit monterey.californiadar.org.



ARNOLD SARMANIAN 1923-2022

Arnold Sarmanian, 99-1/2 years of age, engineer, World War II veteran, and auto enthusiast, left this earth at his home in Charleston, S.C. on the evening of September 19, 2022.

Son of the late Veronica and Stephen Sarmanian, and brother of the late Gregory (interred at Arlington National Cemetery). Arnold was married 63 years to the late Margaret Frances Sarmanian (Bonomo) and is survived by his son, Stephen and his wife, Janis; daughter, Margaret Veronica Sarmanian and late husband James W. Hebert. Arnold was grandfather to Jeremy Sarmanian and his wife, Mackenzie; and Sarah Hendrix and husband, Ben; and great-grandfather to Connor and Maggie Sarmanian.

Arnold graduated from Northeastern University with a B.S. and Boston University with an M.S. after serving in both theaters of WWII — Europe and the Pacific. He worked on weapons systems development and human factoring at Raytheon Technologies.

Originally from Waltham, MA, Arnold enjoyed his retirement in Monterey, CA, Nantucket, MA, Palm Desert, CA, and more recently in Charleston, S.C. Arnold will be interred at Mt. Feake Cemetery, Waltham, MA aside his parents on October 29, 2022, in a private ceremony.

In lieu of flowers a donation to a veterans’ organization of your choice in his name is appreciated.

CAROL LOU WHITE MARCHETTE

1929 ❖ 2022

Carol Lou Marchette of Pebble Beach, CA died peacefully on Friday, September 2, 2022, at the age of 93 with her husband, sons, daughter and son-in-law at her side.

Carol’s was a life to be celebrated and admired. Born in 1929 in Ashbury, Missouri, Carol was the daughter of Howard and Ellen White. She grew up in Calaveras County, in California’s gold country, where she met her husband, Bud Marchette, during her sophomore year of high school. Carol and Bud married on August 11, 1951, in Murphys, CA. They raised two sons, Steve and Bruce, and a daughter, Janet. Carol received her teaching degree from San Jose State in 1952 and taught elementary school.

Over the years Carol created a warm and loving home for her family wherever Bud’s career took him. They lived in locales as diverse as Sacramento, CA, Anchorage, AK, Midland, TX, Jakarta, Paris, Tehran, Dhahran, Bangkok, Kuala Lumpur and Singapore before retiring in Pebble Beach in 1984.

In Bangkok in 1982 she was introduced to ikebana which became a passion. She was a founding member of the Monterey Bay Chapter and attended many international and regional conferences. In 1983 Carol and Bud joined the Monterey Peninsula Country Club where they enjoyed many years of golf as well as establishing many lifelong friendships. She will be remembered by her family for being a fabulous cook and baker and for her passion for travel and adventure. Her grandchildren will always remember and cherish their month-long grand adventures and summer vacations at Silver Lake, CA.

Carol was a beloved wife, mother, aunt, grandmother and great-grandmother, and will be greatly missed by her family and friends. A private service will be held for family in Murphys, CA.



JOHN T. BOHLMAN

Pebble Beach

A husband, father, brother, grandfather, friend — John T. Bohlman — aka JB, Johnny B, Mr. B, Grandpa Dude, left this earth on August 20th at the age of 86. In true JB form, he departed after an amazing drive on the 17th hole of the Shore Course at Monterey Peninsula Country Club with his friends. Golf was his passion along with his love of cars, sailing, fishing, tennis, skiing and dominoes, even the occasional horse ride.

John was born in Portland, Oregon, in 1936 to Ted and Baybelle Bohlman. He is the younger brother to Susan Callagy, who has the same beautiful blue eyes and zest for life.

John grew up in Oregon. He attended Ainsworth Elementary and Lincoln High School. He was a proud Phi Delt at the University of Oregon and an avid Duck fan. John was stationed at Fort Ord and fell in love with the Monterey Peninsula. After finishing his military duty he started working for Tidewater Oil Company in the San Francisco Bay area and then Phillips Petroleum. John returned to Monterey County and started his own oil distributing company and soon partnered up with George Hill in 1972 to create Toro Petroleum, a successful business in Salinas.

John met his first wife, Dianne, in 1960 and they had three children, Anne, Lynn and Jonathan, whom they raised in Carmel. John was self-made and provided a beautiful life for his family. He was a local resident for over 60 years. John enjoyed spending time at the Beach Club, the Old Capital Club and especially Monterey Peninsula Country Club. He was remarried in 2005 to Catherine “Kitty” Cullen, his adoring wife of 17 years. John embraced her children and grandchildren as his own.

John lit up the room and was the life of the party with his jovial spirit. He was a good listener and very engaging. He had a contagious laugh, a warm smile and a twinkle in his eye. He made all of those around him feel loved and valued. Through his magnetic charisma, he was able to connect and inspire people of all ages.

John was not afraid to take risks, try new things, live in the moment and love those around him. His greatest joy was being “grandpa dude.” He adored his family and played infectiously with his grandkids. He taught us all the importance of unconditional love and living life to its fullest. John was a gift to all who knew him. He loved nature especially, birds and “a good view” whether from Tahoe, Big Sur, Carmel Valley, or Pebble Beach. John took the time to appreciate the details and now he is enjoying the views from above. He will be dearly missed.

John is survived by his wife, Kitty Bohlman; and his children, Anne (Fred), Lynn (Justin and grandchildren Logan and Lake), and Jonathan (Jessica and grandchildren Elle, JJ and Brynn). He is also survived by her children Matt (Nina and grandchildren Liam, Caroline, and Ryan), and her daughter Tara (Albert and Charlotte), and his sister, Susan Callagy and multiple nieces and nephews. .

A service for family and friends will be held at 1 p.m. October 21st at the Church In The Forest, 3152 Forest Lake Road, Pebble Beach, followed by a reception. In lieu of flowers, donations to Casa of Monterey County are appreciated. Funeral arrangements by Struve and Laporte Funeral Home.



Padres' new cross country coach hopes to end 14-year drought

ONE OF the most decorated cross country schools in Northern California history hasn't won a Central Coast Section championship since 2008, the year most of today's high school freshmen were born.

The new coach at Carmel High, a Monterey County running great, believes his Padres can end that 14-year drought in November.

Daniel Tapia, who represented Team USA at the 2013 World Marathon Championships in Moscow (after placing fourth that year in the Boston Marathon), and the first county native to win the Monterey Bay Half Marathon (2017), believes Carmel's girls can run with — and maybe away from — any team in the section, and thinks the boys can also be title contenders this season.

Carmel boys won the CCS Division 4 championship in 2001, 2003 and 2004, and Padre girls brought home three consecutive first-place trophies in 2006, 2007 and 2008 — all under Coach John Ables, who passed away Sept. 14 at age 74.

Ables' 2003 boys team won the state championship.

Doing things differently

"I feel lucky to have stepped into an excellent situation, with a really good group of kids, and I've been pushing them harder in practice than they've probably ever run before," said Tapia, a North County High alumnus who set school records at Hartnell College in the 5,000- and 10,000-meter runs. "I'm also doing some other things differently."

Tapia inherits a girls team that placed third (behind Scotts Valley and Sacred Heart Prep) in the CCS Division



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(Left photo) Santa Catalina junior Sofia Rivera (at left) finished seventh, and sophomore Heidi Green placed second at the season opener in Carmel Valley on Sept. 15. (Right photo) Stevenson sophomore Marcus Finley, leading the pack, finished second in the Mission Division at the PCAL's first meet on Sept. 15.

Tapia assisted last spring with Palma High's track team, coaching distance runners, including then-senior Moises Benito, the PCAL champion in 800 and 1,600, and fourth-place finisher in the 3,200. He was also league champion and fourth at CCS in cross country.

Why Tapia chose Carmel

"During the summer, Moises was training with other top runners in our area, including Aiden Tarantino, who started bringing other Carmel kids with him," the coach said. "I recognized that these guys were showing up when they didn't have to be there, so when I learned that Carmel was searching for a coach, it seemed like a job I should look into."

As the new coach of the Padres, Tapia — still a competitive runner at 35 — works out with his athletes at nearly every practice.

"It keeps me in shape, it's a lot of fun, and it's basically a 'boots on the ground' approach to coaching," he said. "I run with the fastest and slowest runners on the team, which gives me a lot of data on how everybody's breathing, whether they're running hard enough, or if they're

running too hard — it's a win-win."

Another change, according to the coach, is that Tapia sees every competition leading up to the CCS and state meets as training exercises — a philosophy he employed Sept. 15 at the first league race, a PCAL Center Meet, at Carmel Valley's new Palo Corona Cross Country Course.

"I treat these center meets as a preseason game," he said. "We'll basically use those, and all of our dual meets, as practice runs. What I really care about is CCS and state, which don't come up until the end of November."

"I'm not worried about our top two or three girls and guys — I want to help the back three or four run a little bit faster," Tapia said.

Despite a mandate from their coach to run together at a 7-minute-mile pace at that Palo Corona event, Tapia's girls easily won the meet, beating second-place San Benito by 8 points in the Gabilan Division race.

Individually, Carmel girls placed fifth (Ghio, a sophomore), sixth (freshman Lila Glazier), eighth (sophomore Chiara Kvitek, and ninth (sophomore Christiana Kvitek)

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Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

4 race in 2021, led by a freshman, Ava Ghio, who was seventh overall, and a sophomore, Christiana Kvitek, who was ninth, plus five others who were among the top 27 to the finish line. Only one was a senior.


Carmel's boys took fourth in Division 4 (behind Scotts Valley, Menlo and Archbishop Riordan), paced by juniors Aiden Tarantino, who was sixth to the finish line, and Dylan Craig, who placed 10th. Three more juniors and two freshmen were among the top 54 in the 93-runner field.

The Padre girls went on to place 17th at state.



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in the six-school battle.

Carmel boys, under orders to run together at a 6-minute pace, placed fourth as a team, without a top-10 individual finisher.

Two days later, competing against 10 other teams at North County's 3-mile Jackie Henderson Memorial, the Padres boys placed second to Scotts Valley, paced by Tarantino (fourth, time: 15:38), freshman Mack Aldi (sixth, 15:47), Craig (seventh, 15:51) and senior Tyler Imamura (12th, 16:23).

Carmel's girls also took second to Scotts Valley as a team, led by Ghio (fourth, 18:13), Glazier (sixth, 19:00), senior Marina Hobson (14th, 19:58), and the Kvitek sisters, Christiana (17th, 20:07) and Chiara (19th, 20:20).

Stevenson and Santa Catalina have tasted CCS glory through the years and are anticipating successful seasons this fall. Both teams will compete in the PCAL's Mission Division.

Catalina starts strong

Santa Catalina's CCS history includes first-place trophies in 1987 and '88 (Division 3), and 2012 (Division 5), and this year's squad made a serious statement at the Sept. 15 center meet, where they placed third among Gabilan Division schools.

The Cougars were led there by sophomore Heidi Green, whose 5-kilometer time of 21:42.70 was second-best among 60

runners in that race.

Junior Sofia Rivera placed seventh for Catalina, senior Audrey Morrison was 19th, and freshman Ines Chediaui was 26th.

Green was 23rd at CCS last fall, Morrison placed 35th, and Rivera was 38th.

Stevenson's boys won the CCS Division 3 Crown in 1987 and 1992, and were Division 4 champions in 2009 and 2010. The Pirates were also section runners-up (each time to York) in 1988, 1989 and 1999. The girls team won the CCS crown in 1989 and 1996, and was runner-up in 1997.

Pirates at CCS

Stevenson's boys and girls teams each placed fourth in Division 5 a year ago.

Gone from the boys team is John Puka, a senior who placed seventh in the section in 2021, but CCS veteran Marcus Finley is returning this year as a sophomore.

Finley, 18th in the section as a freshman, fired a shot across the Mission Division's bow with a second-place finish (fourth overall, including Gabilan runners) at the season-opening center meet at Palo Corona, covering the hilly course in 17:52.4.

Another returning sophomore is Alessandro De Leo, who placed 32nd at CCS in 2021 and was 28th (out of 74 runners) at Palo Corona.

"This is a rebuilding year for Stevenson after losing some significant seniors, and our top four boys are sophomores," Coach Cleve Thayer said. "Our focus on the girls side will be having each athlete achieve personal-best times by the end of the season."

Stevenson's girls will be paced by sophomore Amy Rong, who was 12th overall in the first meet of the year, and senior Lydia Yu, who was 34th. Rong (25th at CCS), senior Lydia Yu (32nd), and sophomore Julia Antoniu (33rd) are other veterans for the Pirates.

Carmel, Catalina, and Stevenson competed Thursday at Toro Park in the second center meet of the year and will race each other again Oct. 13 in the third center meet at Natividad Park in Salinas.

Carmel High has additional competitions Oct. 8 at the Asics Invitational in Clovis, Oct. 15 at the Terry Ward Bellarmine Invitational in San Jose, and Oct. 21-22 at the Mt. SAC Cross Country Invitational in Walnut.

This year's PCAL championships will



PHOTO/KERRY BELSER

Chiara Kvitek, (left) and her sister, Christiana, will help the Padres pursue a CCS championship this season.

be held at the Palo Corona Cross Country Course on Oct. 29. CCS' big race is Nov. 12 at Crystal Springs in Belmont, and the state meet is Nov. 26 at Woodward Park in Fresno.

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(From left) Tyler Imamura, Aidan Tarantino, and Dylan Craig run in a tight pack on Sept. 15 at Palo Corona Cross Country Course in Carmel Valley.

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Editorial

Time for the coastal commission to support new water

BACK IN the days when California’s entire web of land use regulations was designed to prevent development — especially along the coast — the Monterey Peninsula’s water shortage functioned as one of the most powerful tools in the local anti-development arsenal, because no matter how many approvals a property owner might eke out from their local planning commission and city council, they still couldn’t start building until someone let them have water. Around here, that meant the Twelfth of Never.

Our water shortage has had the kind of staying power that makes statutes like the Coastal Act and CEQA seem weak by comparison. Laws can always be amended or even rescinded by the same legislative body that passed them, but nobody can decree water into existence. To get taps flowing again, you not only need a long list of government approval, but large amounts of capital combined with technical expertise. Building something is much more complicated than passing a law.

Which explains why, even with Sacramento suddenly reversing course last year and requiring new housing to be built in large numbers, the wild card in the Peninsula is whether the water will ever be made available to allow the state’s new housing mandates to come to fruition. Carmel-by-the-Sea, we’re told, is supposed to provide about 350 new housing units, but without water to supply them, none will ever become reality.

Meanwhile, after almost 30 years of a moratorium on new water meters, Cal Am, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and their water-regulating brethren still haven’t been able to agree on a way to let local residents start adding water fixtures to their homes or supply the Peninsula’s existing lots of record — much less accommodate significant numbers newly mandated units.

Cal Am says a new desal plant is the only way to supply the water this community will need, while the water board says an expanded reclamation plant will suffice. Either way, the more water we have, the more housing we’ll get. Supposedly, the State of California is 100 percent in favor of greatly expanded housing opportunities through the state, including the Monterey Peninsula’s quiet single-family neighborhoods. But does the state mean it?

An important test will come at the California Coastal Commission’s Nov. 17 meeting in Salinas. Starting almost on the day it was founded, the coastal commission could be relied on to oppose all new development along the coast. They did it in the name of “resource protection” — all other considerations, such as the housing supply, be damned. Now that the legislature and the governor have adopted an aggressively pro-housing stance, will the coastal commission go along? We certainly hope so.

A warmer planet promises to be a wetter one, but that’ll be no help to the housing-starved young people and blue collar workers of the Peninsula, because we are barred from using most of the water that flows down the Carmel River.

Instead of more rain, we need a flood of common sense to descend on the people in the state capitol — and now from the coastal commission — clearing the way for us to also use water from the sea.

BEST of BATES



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‘Call me NIMBY’

Dear Editor,

Two contenders stood out at the candidates’ forum this week. It was a pleasant surprise to hear one of our nominees advocate for intentionally limiting growth. Preservation and conservation are what keep Carmel so special. We simply do not have the space or water for all of the “improvements” people want to make here. Once development occurs, you can’t un-ring the bell.

Conserving our natural and financial resources should be city government’s first priority. Marketing Carmel as a destination for tourists and developers in order to prime the coffers is causing problems. Increasing staff without solving housing and parking issues is shortsighted. Yes, new employees will help offset the pension costs for senior employees; but how does the village really benefit from so many workers?

One very articulate candidate stated

why they mobilized to cancel the proposed cell tower near La Playa Hotel. Due to outcry from residents, who say it would ruin the beauty of their neighborhood, the town rallied behind the effort to stop it. It follows that neighbors of CHS have the right to dispute the installation of stadium lights for the same reason, doesn’t it?

Call me a NIMBY if that makes you happy. We can’t add 350-plus affordable units in the village because where would they go? Perhaps the public works building on Junipero could be repurposed? Issues that need realistic solutions need representatives who are not afraid to go against the rising bureaucratic tide.

C. Vandenberg, Carmel

‘Smart, thoughtful’

Dear Editor,

I can’t pretend I don’t care about the upcoming race for Carmel’s City Council. There is only one candidate who is so talented that she is far and away the best person to represent our beloved city. Alisandra Dramov is smart, thoughtful, and filled with ideas that speak to Carmel’s past, and more important, to its future. As a historian, as a published author, as a student of government, and as a reporter, she has a long record of achievements that is unmatched. I strongly and proudly endorse her and encourage all of Carmel’s citizens to vote for someone who can and will make Carmel-by-the-Sea a better place for all of its citizens.

Gerard Rose, Carmel

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C.C. Belmont — a hospitality pro or a check-bouncing con?

CLAUD CAVENDISH Belmont, who once briefly owned the Pine Inn, was an interesting man who lived for a short time in Carmel but garnered a lot of local news in the first half of 1914. Piecing together the Belmont story, we find a man who traveled a lot and worked only occasionally, mostly as a hotel man — or perhaps a con man.

Records indicate he was born in Scotland in 1860, and first came to the United

States in 1901. He applied for citizenship and married Caroline Price in Minnesota. The 1908 San Francisco Polk City Directory shows Claud and Caroline had moved to Long Beach, where he was proprietor of the Tahoma Hotel.

History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

States in 1901. He applied for citizenship and married Caroline Price in Minnesota. The 1908 San Francisco Polk City Directory shows Claud and Caroline had moved to Long Beach, where he was proprietor of the Tahoma Hotel.

Soon after, they began a series of ocean voyages that can't be fully documented. They returned to San Francisco on Sept. 14, 1911, after boarding in Maitai, New Zealand. The ship's manifest recorded their ultimate destination as Spokane, Wash., and indicated that Belmont's career was hotelkeeper. If the couple made it to Spokane, they didn't stay long, as they again arrived in San Francisco on Oct. 15, 1913, this time from Honolulu. The San Francisco Chronicle reported that this return to California was after an absence of more than a year.

Busy fellow

In late 1913, Belmont seems to have put many irons into the fire. The 1914 San Francisco Polk Directory shows he and his wife were living at 1523 Laguna St., and he was the proprietor of the Hilaire Apartments. Concurrently, the same directory shows them as proprietors of the Hotel Belmont at 946 Third St. Belmont ran a full-page ad in that directory, indicating

that the Belmont had previously been Hotel Batavia.

Further, the Monterey Daily Cypress announced on March 1, 1914, "Pine Inn, at Carmel-by-the-Sea, has changed hands, Mrs. Wingate having disposed of her interests in that famous hostelry to C.C. Belmont, who, with his estimable wife as his partner, took over the management yesterday afternoon." The story went on to report Belmont was "a hotel man of wide experience" who was interested in running a chain of hotels in America, and that he owned "a large caravansary in New Zealand."

Belmont quickly built a number of relationships to supply the needs of Pine Inn and its dining room. Carmel's Leidig Bros. grocery, Goold livery, and Schwenger bakery each provided him goods and services on credit, as did Wood Bros., a Monterey butcher.

Suspicious circumstances

Abruptly, Belmont's plans for the Pine Inn changed. With the assistance of a San Francisco realtor, he sold the inn to William Watson, closing the deal on Wednesday, May 27, 1914. Belmont owned Pine Inn for less than three months.

The afternoon of the sale, Belmont purchased a new car from Winston Bros. of Monterey and then visited his local creditors, providing them checks for what he owed. He told many of them of his plans to travel to Scotland, after a visit with friends in San Jose over the Memorial Day weekend. Early the next morning, Belmont went to Monterey's First National Bank to close out his local affairs. He provided the bank with an address in Long Beach and said to contact him there if any bills had been overlooked. He then left with a check for \$2,553.47, which he deposited in Citizens National Bank.

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Pine Inn, a favorite retreat at Carmel, Monterey County, California

POSTCARD/NEAL HOTELLING COLLECTION

Carmel's Pine Inn — a landmark on Ocean Avenue — underwent several management changes in the second decade of the 20th century, including the brief but troubling ownership of C.C. Belmont in 1914.

Her love of color came from prisms and New England autumns

THE NEXT phase of Anne Greene's life as an artist, at age 70, is literally on the drawing board, and it's a full circle.

After decades of exploration and experimentation as an oil painter, glass and multimedia artist, sculptor, stone and wood-carver, intaglio printmaker, muralist, and lifelong art teacher, the longtime local said she's rekindling a spark from her original romance.

"I've been doing a lot of soul-searching, trying to figure out what's next for me, and it seems like I want to go back to the beauty of line," she said as she scrutinized a large work in progress in the spacious

and Fred would get tickets to a Broadway musical — I saw 'My Fair Lady' and 'Irma La Douce' as a pre-teen," she recalled. "We went to the New York World's Fair and had all sorts of wonderful cultural experiences."

Painting clock faces

Greene had natural talent as an artist, which, at age 13, inspired a partnership with her father, a second-generation clock and watch repairman.

"He asked me to start painting the faces of his clocks," she said. "His dial man had died, and his widow had given my father patterns for all of the different clock faces. So, I took the whole pile and taught myself how to do it."

Greene recalled sitting at her father's workbench as a child, viewing the world through the prisms of colorful glass "gems" she was twirling in front of her eyes.

"I'd say my love of color began there, and with the magical wonderland of autumn in New England," she said.

Greene also developed a youthful fascination with the delicate contours of the repair tools that her father and grandfather used. She sometimes still uses them.

At 14, she was accepted into the Rhode Island Governor's School for Youth in the Arts, a 10-week summer program, along with her 15-year-old boyfriend, David Cloutier, an aspiring poet.

But while Greene enjoyed art as a child and teen, she adored piano.

"I was ready to just quit school and spend my entire day, every day, practicing piano," she said. "My teacher was grooming me to be a concert pianist, so I became a member of a Chaminade [music] Club and performed Mozart, Beethoven, Liszt, Rachmaninov, Chopin and Lecuona."

"I got really good — neighbors sometimes would stop as they walked past our house and listen to me practice after school."

Performance anxiety

Unfortunately, performing onstage felt so stressful at age 17 that she called her teacher and told him she had decided to go to art school.

"I think it broke his heart. He hung up on me, and that was the end of that, after seven years of weekly lessons," she said. "I was stunned, and felt bad, but I was happy with my decision — and it was the right decision. I breathed art in high school and won many awards."

She spent part of her 17th summer in Vermont,

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Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

backyard studio at her home above Carmel Valley Road. "Drawing was my first love as an artist, and I still have a passion for it."

Early beginnings

A drawing instructor began coming to Greene's home in Cranston, R.I., to give her private lessons when she was 10 — the same age at which she also started learning classical piano from a private teacher.

"I had a wonderful childhood — lots of family love, lots of friends and lots of fun, growing up in a great neighborhood with big old Victorian houses. I could see Narragansett Bay from my house," she said.

Her aunt, Dorothy, was married to Fred Friendly, president of CBS News and co-creator (with Edward R. Murrow) of the iconic documentary series, "See It Now."

"We'd go to New York as a family,



PHOTO/ COURTESY OF ANNE GREENE

Carmel Valley's Anne Greene, in her 53rd year as an art teacher, will participate in the 2022 Arts Habitat Studio Tour Oct. 7-8 and Oct. 14-15.

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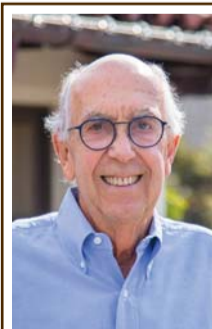
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A career built on understanding the value of human connections

DURING WORLD War II, Ray Ramos enlisted in the Army and went to basic training at Fort Belvoir, Va., not far from his home. A fellow recruit pulled him aside one day, and asked to speak with him privately — behind a nearby pile of coal that helped heat the barracks. The man's young wife had sent him a letter, and he was ashamed to admit that he didn't know how to read or write. Ramos read the

cows. Lots of cows.

He was the oldest of four children. With one of his brothers, he milked 60 cows, twice a day, seven days a week.

While he worked on the farm, Ramos discovered that he loved building things, like additions to barns, and stables for horses. He might have inherited some of that from his father, who worked as a machinist on the railroads, grinding the wheels to keep them running smoothly. In any event, when Ramos went to Catholic University in D.C., he decided to study engineering.

During World War II, he enlisted in the Army. He said he couldn't be commissioned as an officer, because he hadn't been in the Reserve Officers Training Corps in college. But during basic training at Ft. Belvoir, Ramos' familiarity with weapons and other military procedures from two years of junior ROTC training in high school made him stand out, and his commanding officer sent him to Officer Candidate School.

Esprit de corps

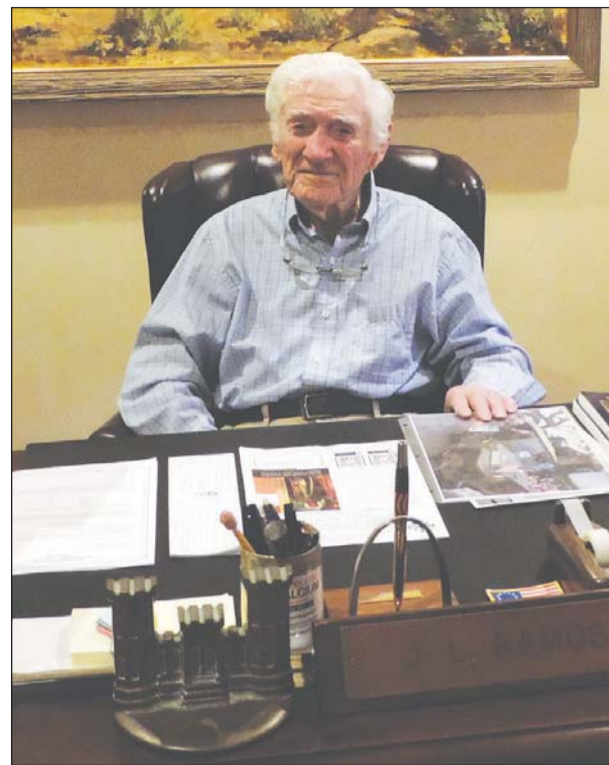
At age 20, as a second lieutenant, he was briefly assigned to an engineering topography battalion, "making maps and models of beaches." Then, he got orders to Europe, crossing the Atlantic on the RMS Queen Elizabeth, which had been converted to a troop ship. On June 6, 1944, he became one of more than 156,000 allied troops to land on the beaches of France.

He said the scene was every bit as hectic, confused and bloody as it's been portrayed in the movies. At one point, Ramos said, he dove for cover behind a comrade's legs, only to discover that was all that was left of the man. The soldier's rifle was nearby, with "a picture of a pretty young girl and a baby," which had been attached to the gun's stock and covered in heavy plastic.

Despite the heat of battle, Ramos said, "I thought, 'I hope that woman will meet a young man who will respect her and adopt that child.'"

After the initial assault, the engineers' mission was to clear the beaches of mines and explosives so that more soldiers — and eventually armored vehicles — could come ashore. Ramos described phone poles that were driven into the ground at 45-degree angles, with large mines dangling from them at just the right height to take out landing craft or military vehicles. They destroyed underwater mines using plastic explosives.

As the Allied forces moved inland, the engineers turned to rebuilding roads and bridges, and restoring water supplies. Months later, "We built the longest tactical bridge



PHOTO/ELAINE HESSER

Retired Col. Ray Ramos is shown in his home office in Carmel. His distinguished military career included involvement in D-Day and the Battle of the Bulge.

ever constructed," more than 1,000 feet across the Rhine River, in "a full day and one night," Ramos said, noting that they had practiced the procedure many times before they carried it out.

He and his soldiers also fought in the Battle of the Bulge in December 1944, and the 254th Combat Engineer Battalion, with which Ramos served, received a citation for "determination, heroism and esprit de corps." It reads, "Although armed with only small arms, machine guns, and rocket launchers, the battalion successfully resisted several vicious attacks by armored infantry and tanks." It goes on to say that the Americans' position was overrun, but the battalion's remaining members continued to fight for nine hours, cutting off other routes of the Germans' advance and taking gasoline and rations from enemy supply lines before relief arrived.

A dedicated life

After the war, Ramos returned home, but it wasn't long before he was recalled to active duty to teach Army engineers at Ft. Belvoir. His career took him to Korea, not long after the cease-fire was called there. He also worked in Paraguay, as well as Ft. Ord, Ft. Hunter Liggett and Camp Roberts in Bradley, at the south end of Monterey County.

Rising through the ranks to become a colonel, Ramos trained at the Command and General Staff College in Ft. Leavenworth, Kan. He retired from his military career at Camp Roberts, where he was the last Army officer to command the base before it was turned over to the California National Guard in 1971.

Through all of it, Ramos said, he most enjoyed commanding and training soldiers. His memoir, "The Dedicated Life of an American Soldier," describes the pride he took in making sure his troops were always ready for whatever challenges they might face, but also in showing a more human side to their families, to help build esprit de corps — a concept that is dear to him.

Not long after his retirement, Ramos was hired to work in the San Francisco office of the nascent Environmental Protection Agency, organized in 1970. He said that he spent a lot of time training California Highway Patrol and local police and fire companies on how to identify and clean up hazardous spills on the highways.

Ramos attends church at Our Lady of Carmel, where the parishioners threw a birthday bash in his honor, describing him on social media as a "loving man who always has a twinkle in his eye." Several members called and emailed The Pine Cone, declaring that his birthday and life of service were worthy of mention. And obviously, we agreed.

Great Lives

By ELAINE HESSER

letter to him and then wrote a response as his new friend dictated it. After training was over, he never saw the man again.

When you talk to Ramos, even briefly, it becomes obvious why, out of all the men that recruit could have confided in, he chose him. He's approachable, soft-spoken and an excellent listener, and if you extrapolate a little, it's obvious that he's probably pretty darned unflappable, too.

Ramos, who turned 100 on Aug. 29, lives with Meredith, his wife of 50 years, near the Forge in the Forest. That's a long way from his boyhood home in Washington, D.C. During the Depression, he also lived on a family dairy farm in Virginia, not far from Mount Vernon. He would later be involved in the D-Day invasion on the shores of Normandy, but as a youngster, he had to milk the

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LETTERS

From page 26A

Author supports lights

Dear Editor,

In last week's Pine Cone, a paid advertisement was placed with the headline, "Karl Pallastrini, what did you know and when did you know it?" It featured a reprint of a 2016 local history article from the Carmel High School Sandpiper, detailing a conversation about moving the location of the high school and the ensuing decision not to, all of which occurred in the 1960s. Although the article's connection to the cause is unclear, the advertisement, placed by Robert Kahn, sought to campaign against the installation of lights in the CHS stadium.

I wrote the history piece featured in the advertisement. I was 16 years old and in my sophomore year of high school, practicing journalism where I could. I am now 21 years old and in my senior year of college at the University of Southern California. Needless to say, before last week, I would never have anticipated my article being printed in The Pine Cone. My piece was appropriated, without my knowledge or permission, for quasi-political purposes by a man who I did not know. I did not place it, nor do I endorse its message. It was simply a summary of the interesting history of school location decisions from

60 years ago and carries zero political or current implications.

To be clear, I am a huge fan of Carmel Unified School District, its teachers and administrators, and former superintendent Pallastrini. I am beyond grateful for the amazing experiences, education and opportunities afforded to me for being fortunate enough to attend Tularcitos, Carmel Middle and Carmel High School. I am also certainly an advocate for the installation of lights on the field. As a relatively recent graduate, it is my opinion that it would enhance the experiences of individual students and build greater community and camaraderie within the student body.

Annalise Krueger, Los Angeles

'Let them deal with it'

Dear Editor,

The anti-light crowd has made it abundantly clear. Move the lights down to Carmel Middle School. Let there be lights — as long as they're not in their neighborhood. It's not so much that light pollution is the issue. It's that light pollution specifically in their neighborhood is "bad." So what if the lights are in someone else's neighborhood? Let all those people down at the bottom of the hill deal with it.

Geoff Johnston, Carmel

'Sense of community'

Dear Editor,

I'm writing to you in support of the stadium lights project. Carmel seems to be

intent on being simply an enclave for the wealthy and old instead of being a thriving community. A community that welcomes young people and their activities instead of seeing them as a nuisance. I watched the homecoming parade and experienced a sense of community that I haven't experienced in Carmel for a long while. I would urge the board to be aware that the vocal few (who bought houses knowing very

well that there was a high school in the neighborhood) do not represent all of us in the area!

It's ironic that real estate agencies sell houses touting the excellence of our schools to people who have no interest in our young people.

Patti Long, Carmel

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HISTORY

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Winston Bros. cashed their check as soon as they received it, but all others who were paid by Belmont deposited their checks too late and were informed there were no funds available. Local business leaders began comparing notes and quickly met with a judge to file charges for Belmont's arrest. Because there were funds in his account when the checks were written, the judge declined to charge him with forgery. However, Belmont was charged with "fraudulently concealing his property with the intent to defraud, hinder, and delay his creditors of their rights, claims and demand."

When Belmont was not found in either San Jose or Long Beach, Monterey County Sheriff William J. Nesbitt cast a broader net. By June 5, Nesbitt confirmed that about \$2,500 had been deposited to Citizens National Bank. Via telegrams

arranged by local attorney Henry G. Jorgensen, the people who were owed money attached the funds in the bank while the search for Belmont continued.

On June 11, Belmont was arrested in San Diego. After posting a \$500 bond, he was ordered to appear before Judge Ernest Michaelis in Monterey. The day before his court date, Belmont met with his former friends and apologized, assuring them he had no intent to defraud and they would be paid.

Salinas attorney Pedro E. Zabala represented Belmont at the court hearing. District attorney Frank W. Sargent, with assistance from Jorgensen, put on a string of witnesses holding worthless checks. Closing with the testimony of Nesbitt, Sargent rested his case shortly after 4:30 p.m. The unpaid funds totaled about \$1,600.

A fainting spell

For the defense, Zabala first called Caroline Belmont. She explained they started for San Jose but she fainted en route. After recovering, she asked her husband to just

take them to Southern California. They deposited the check on June 2, and then took an apartment in San Diego. Claud Belmont then testified that, after learning his funds were attached, he asked his clerk at the Pine Inn to audit his accounts. Belmont asserted any oversight was unintended; he relied on the clerk to keep the books.

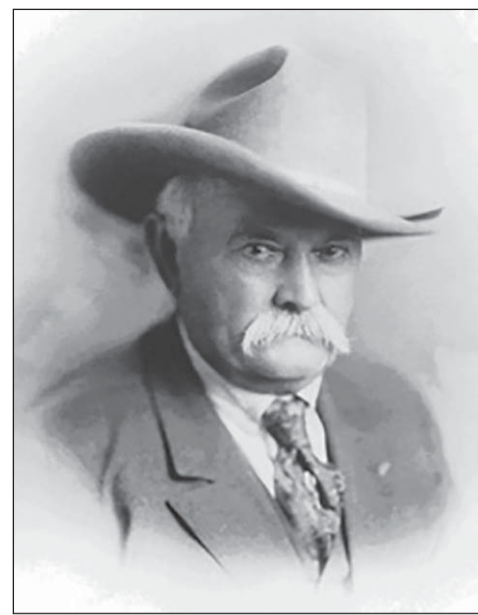
Michaelis took the matter under advisement and rendered his opinion Thursday afternoon. The evidence was sufficient to refer it to the Superior Court for trial. Belmont, still free on bond, made good on all indebtedness before the trial date of June 29. The Superior Court dismissed the charge, and Belmont paid an additional \$50 for court costs.

Relieved, Belmont carried through with his earlier plan to travel to Scotland, saying he hoped to arrive before the opening of the will of his millionaire uncle. Whether Belmont benefited from his uncle's will — or if he even had an uncle — we don't know. Like those of many childless couples, the Belmont story is long forgotten and can only be partially pieced together.

Later newspaper accounts show Belmont maintained his hotelman persona, exaggerated his background and continued on the move. From 1917 until 1922, the Belmonts lived in the East, where he promoted himself as Capt. C.C. Belmont, claiming had served 28 years in the British navy and had traveled around the world 11 times, seven with the navy and four with his wife.

Puffery ensues

In 1917, he went from the Merchants' hotel in Tampa, Fla., to North Carolina, then returned to Florida. When he took over the Bayview Hotel in Gulfport, Fla., the Tampa Bay Times of Dec. 15, 1918, reported that he "operated at one time 27 places, also running and operating the Belmont hotels at San Francisco, San Diego and Long Beach." A few months later, the June 9, 1919, Knoxville Sentinel excitedly



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Monterey County Sheriff William J. Nesbitt (1852-1933) became a county deputy in 1878 and served as sheriff from 1902 to 1923, accumulating an illustrious record of crime fighting, including the 1914 case of C.C. Belmont.

announced that the "owner of the famous Belmont string of hotels on the Pacific coast, Honolulu, Australia and Florida," was looking at opening a Belmont hotel in the Tennessee city.

By 1925, the Belmonts returned to Southern California, where he was a concessioner on the Midway in Redondo Beach. In 1932, he was manager of the Hotel Lovitt in Long Beach, and then took an extended visit to Scotland, returning in 1934. For their remaining years, the Belmonts lived mostly in San Diego, where Claud died in 1946, and Caroline in 1947.

Belmont's time in Carmel in 1914 was brief, but impactful. There is no actual record of a Belmont hotel chain, so in an era when gentlemanly con men could more easily fool the public, it appears evident that the local businesses were rightfully grateful for the quick work of Nesbitt, who helped recover the money they were owed.

RUNAWAY

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down the driveway."

The truck was on its side, with its barrel still turning, according to Tadros, and several men came running down the driveway after it, yelling. He dialed 911 for police and fire to respond, which they did.

"All of this took place in a blink of an eye," he said, as did the belief that the truck and cars could start moving again and crash into his house. "I immediately realized the risk to my family," so he told his wife and daughter to grab their pets and get out.

Tadros said witnesses estimated the runaway truck was going more than 25 mph as it rolled toward his wife's car. The resulting wreck and mess took about eight hours to clean up.

In the aftermath, Tadros, a military

veteran, said he remains traumatized and worried about his and his family's safety, especially with large vehicles continuing to visit a construction site across the street.

"The cement company owner came out to check on me and my family — he showed at least empathy," he said. "The general contractor hasn't said anything."

Tadros, who joined the U.S. military after immigrating from Egypt, blamed Monterey County for failing to ensure safe conditions on construction sites.

Had a construction management plan been in place, he said, that truck might have never gotten away from its driver and the jobsite.

A couple of days after the crash, he saw a lumber truck at the same site without wheel chocks positioned to keep it from rolling, he said, and when he went to take photos and video of what he felt was an unsafe worksite, the contractor yelled at him.

MASKS

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Rerig said council members are scheduled to discuss terminating the requirements they adopted on an emergency basis last March (see story page 12A). "Hopefully they'll rescind the ordinance," Rerig told The Pine Cone this week.

With test positivity rates remaining low, he continued, "we're on the cusp of everybody going maskless."

Nonetheless, every person who enters city hall must fill out a form attesting to vaccination status and lack of Covid symptoms.

Meanwhile, public schools, other local

governments, courthouses, airports, airplanes and some medical offices have long done away with Covid-era requirements and restrictions. Many make no inquiries about vaccination status, nor do they require masks, and questions about current health status are perfunctory or nonexistent.

"I'm eternally hopeful masks will remain optional," Rerig said.

While councilman Jeff Baron has suggested he may have a hard time agreeing to lift the mask requirement, Mayor Dave Potter and councilwoman Carrie Theis have said they think it's time to relax the rules and do away with face coverings.

Councilwoman Karen Ferlito hasn't weighed in either way.

Seaside seeks input on Broadway plan

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE CITY of Seaside recently shared plans to make major improvements along Broadway between Fremont Boulevard and Gen. Jim Moore Boulevard — and is soliciting comments from residents.

The work marks another big step in the transformation of downtown Seaside — in 2017-2018, the city spent \$7 million to give a sparkling makeover to the west end of Broadway between Fremont and Del Monte boulevards.

Roundabouts considered

Called the Broadway Avenue Complete Street Corridor Improvement Project, the work would "reduce Broadway to a single lane in each direction with curb extensions, bike lanes, roundabouts, a safe school crossing adjacent to Martin Luther King Jr. School of the Arts and accessibility improvements throughout the corridor."

A map identifies seven sites along Broadway where roundabouts could be built. Specifically, the city wants to create

what is called a "complete street." According to California's Complete Streets Act of 2008, a complete street is "a balanced, multimodal transportation network that meets the needs of all users of streets, roads, and highways — including bicyclists, children, persons with disabilities, motorists, movers of commercial goods, pedestrians, public transportation, and seniors — for safe and convenient travel."

Construction to start in 2025

The project is anticipated to cost \$14 million, with funding coming from state and local taxpayers. Construction is set to get underway in 2025 and continue through 2027. For now, the city is focused on preparing "preliminary concepts and layouts," completing environmental studies, and reaching out to the public, with the goal of getting "broad community input" on the plan's details.

A planning and design consultant for the project, Kimley-Horn, was hired by the city in June for about \$600,000. A meeting to solicit public input is set for Dec. 13.

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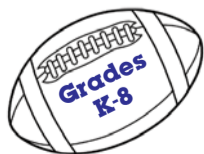
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ARTIST

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learning to carve marble and limestone with celebrated sculptor Jane B. Armstrong.

“It was an amazing experience — I’d get up at dawn and write poetry to the birds who were welcoming the sun to the day. It was wonderful,” she remembered.

Greene enrolled that fall at the Rhode Island School of Design, learning woodcarving, cutting, and welding as a freshman. The same year, she became an assistant art instructor for the Governor’s School for the Arts. At 18, she became a full-fledged art teacher for the program.

“It was really exciting to be teaching at 18 — some of my students were only a year or two younger,” she remembered. “And at the same time, David was teaching creative writing classes there.”

It was the beginning of a 53-year career (still in progress) as an art instructor, teaching students of all ages. Her youngest, she said, was a precocious 4-year-old in Providence. The oldest was a North Carolina nun in her 90s.

Coming to California

Greene married David Cloutier after college, and they came to California in April 1988 with their 4-year-old son (musician/composer/arranger Perrin Cloutier, a co-founder of the indie-rock band, Beirut), settling in San Francisco in August 1989.

“Two months later, the big earthquake happened, and he decided the Monterey Peninsula might be a good place to look for a job,” Greene said of her husband, who spent

14 years as director of the Cultural Council for Monterey County.

Connection with nature

She and Cloutier divorced in 1991, but she still lives in the mid-valley home they purchased together more than 30 years ago.

Greene’s portfolio has included drawings, canvas paintings, reverse paintings on glass, prints and assemblages. She had her own gallery in Newport, R.I., in 1979, and directed a gallery for the New Bern, N.C., Arts Council in 1983-1984. She has also painted murals at schools in Marina and Seaside.

“My paintings express the powerful dynamics of earth and sky, revealing the inner workings behind the apparent, the flow of natural forces, changing of seasons, shifts of light and space.

“They reflect my innate connection with nature and sense of her hidden power,” Greene said.

“My prints and digital images of recent years have focused on the male nude in various contexts: spinning, diving, running and floating,” she wrote in an online bio. “The figures are placed in transition, confusion, serenity or distress. They combine my love of the male form with metaphorical states of the human condition.”

Greene has designed covers and created text illustrations for literary volumes, including “Passion for Place:

WATER

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\$70 million reclamation project, which for decades has supplied enough water to irrigate its golf courses. The project has saved more than 7.6 billion gallons of potable water for the Peninsula.

However, the company also noted the limitations of recycled water and warned against relying on it as the sole solution for the Monterey Peninsula’s water problems. As residents and businesses on the Peninsula are forced to cut back water use, the amount of water to be recycled is also reduced.

“We know firsthand that the supply of recycled water is neither constant nor guaranteed over time,” the company said, adding that the problem is exacerbated during drought. California is in a third year of drought.

“Recycled water alone simply cannot meet the Monterey Peninsula’s water supply needs on a sustainable, long-term basis,” the company said.

Stoldt told his board of directors last week that overall water use on the Monterey Peninsula is the lowest it’s been since 1958.

Community Reflections on the Carmel Watershed” (edited by Laura Bayless, John Dotson, and Paola Berthoin, who also was the book project creator, artist, and designer).

Greene’s work has been exhibited in museums and galleries in California, New York, North Carolina, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Virginia and her native Rhode Island.

“I’ve been very fortunate,” she said. “I’ve never had a 9-to-5 job.”

Greene will participate in both weekends of this year’s Arts Habitat Artist Studio Tour, scheduled for Oct. 8-9 and Oct. 15-16 (artshabitat.org).

Images of her art and additional information can be found online at annegreene.weebly.com. Contact her for commissions at (831) 277-3588.

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GAVEL

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lewd act on a child under the age of 14 qualifies as a violent strike under California’s three strikes law. He must register as a sex offender for no less than 20 years.

During the week of July 12, 2021, Barnes was living with members of his extended family when he continuously tormented two such members of his family — a juvenile female (Jane Doe No. 1) and an adult female (Jane Doe No. 2). Doe No. 1 and Doe No. 2 reported that Barnes repeatedly exposed himself to them. Doe No. 1 was taken out of the residence by concerned family members. After she left the home, Barnes held Doe No. 2 down and groped her breasts.

After contacting the Monterey County Sheriff’s Office to report the crimes, Doe No. 1 disclosed that approximately three years before these incidents, Barnes committed a lewd act against her.

This case was investigated by deputy Von Dollen of the Monterey County Sheriff’s Office and DA investigator Pablo Andrade. The victims in this case were assisted by victim witness advocates Mayra Sandoval, Marta Maria Rosado and Alma Sanchez.

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Lifestyles

‘We want patients to look at themselves, like their appearance, and be happy’

By ELAINE HESSER

HAVE YOU ever compensated for a less-than-enthusiastic start to the day by gussying up a little before you went out to face the world? On a dismal, foggy morning, you might add a touch of lipstick, don a snazzy suit or special piece of jewelry, or spend a few extra minutes on your hair.

It’s easy to find studies correlating people’s perceptions of their own appearance to their self-confidence. Whether it’s fixing bad teeth, having cosmetic surgery or simply “dressing for success,” the data supports the intuitive notion that when you like the way you look, you feel better. That also applies when serious health issues — like breast cancer — set in.

While nobody is arguing that a swipe of blush will work miracles, countering some of the disease’s cosmetic effects can help cancer patients to build confidence. Treatment for breast cancer can be particularly harmful to a woman’s self-image, especially if it involves a partial or complete mastectomy, leaving many feeling less feminine. The effects of other treatments can also alter weight, skin tone, fingernails and hair.

Finding specialized help

Meg Cornish, a licensed clinical social worker at Montage’s Comprehensive Cancer Center, said, “Cancer can be so isolating. We want patients to look at themselves, like their appearance and be happy — to look in the mirror and feel confident.”

She recommends a series of virtual workshops led by the nonprofit organization, Look Good Feel Better (lookgoodfeelbetter.org). The group no longer leads in-person

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HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

When better identification leads to better treatment, words matter

By ELAINE HESSER

NEARLY 50 years ago, in an episode of CBS' iconic series, "All in the Family," matriarch Edith Bunker announced, "I have a lump in my breast." It was stunning because in those days, cancer was not discussed — certainly not in a sitcom on national television. It was spoken of in whispers, or referred to as "the c-word," as if its mere mention might bring it on.

The best anyone hoped for — after treatments that often seemed as bad as the illness — was remission, a purgatory before the disease's seemingly inevitable, fatal return. No one even mentioned a cure, except as a distant hope.

That's changed for some types of breast cancer, however, and it makes discussing the disease in specific terms not only acceptable, but important.



Dr. Katrina Fischer

According to the National Institutes of Health, about 13 percent of women in the United States will have breast cancer during their lives, making it the second most common form of the disease in women, after skin cancer. Men also get breast cancer, but it's much rarer — about 2,700 diagnoses a year nationally versus more than 280,000 in women.

The American Society of Clinical Oncology's Cancer.net lists some statistics for breast cancer, noting that the number of women aged 50 or old-

er who die from the disease has declined annually since 2007. From 2013 to 2018, it did so at a rate of 1 percent each year. Oncologists refer to the possibility of some of their patients being cured — not someday, but now.

Devil in the details

Three doctors from Pacific Cancer Care in Ryan Ranch talked with Healthy Lifestyles about types of breast cancer and new treatments. You've likely heard or seen some of the terms in drug ads, and may have wondered what they mean.

Dr. Katrina Fischer said that when a mammogram shows something suspicious, or someone has a lump or other symptoms (see page 40A), various diagnostic techniques are used to determine whether there is cancer, and if so, what type it is and how much it has spread.

Treatment can include anything from a lumpectomy, chemotherapy and/or radiation, to a complete mastectomy. Fischer pointed out, "It's not the cancer in the breast that leads to death. It's when it goes into your organs." When a malignant mass is removed, it's usually done to stop its spread, or if it's bleeding or painful.

Some forms of breast cancer are sensitive to female hormones and are therefore called hormone receptor-positive. They're subdivided into progesterone receptor-positive and estrogen receptor-positive, depending on which hormone affects them.

HER2-positive breast cancer is named for a growth-promoting protein called HER2. A fourth category, triple-negative, is the least common, and is essentially "none of the above" — not progesterone- or estrogen-sensitive, nor HER2-positive.

It's possible to have the first three types in different combinations. Having all three



is referred to as triple-positive. The disease is further classified and described based on other variables, including where in the breast it's located and whether it's metastasized (spread to other parts of the body).

Hormone receptor-positive breast cancers are found in 70 to 80 percent of all cases — "by far the most common," said Fischer. They're most often slow-growing, and seen more frequently in postmenopausal women, but also can occur in those who are premenopausal. The National Cancer Institute (part of the National Institutes of Health) says that most — but not all — estrogen receptor-positive cancers are also progesterone receptor-positive.

Fischer said to think of estrogen and progesterone as "food" for the cancer cells. Suppressing the hormones "starves" the cells and slows their growth. Women

with estrogen receptor-positive cancer are sometimes given once-daily anti-estrogen pills, usually for five to 10 years if the disease is in its early stages. "Older estrogen-blocking pills lengthened many women's lives, but modern therapies are even more effective," said Fischer. Metastatic hormone-positive breast cancer is treated indefinitely. That's because the cancer cells are so slow-growing that "it takes longer to starve them out."

The treatment can create some of the symptoms of menopause, like night sweats, hot flashes, joint pain and menstrual cycle changes, as well as increased risk of bone loss. This type of cancer recurs more often than others, sometimes after 20 or 30 years.

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HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

Turning the Golden Rule into a lovely shade of pink

By ELAINE HESSER

AS EVERYONE who has survived a traumatic experience knows, you can get good advice and help from many caring people, but there's nothing like talking to someone who's been there, done that.

The Breast Cancer Assistance Group of Monterey County is an all-volunteer group (no paid staff) that vice president Susan Jordan called, "a club you never want to be invited to join." Everyone in the organization has had the disease.

Organized in 1997, and celebrating its 25th anniversary this year, the BCAG was formed by four local women who had breast cancer. According to the group's website, the women were looking for support that was "broader and more thoughtfully conceived" than what their community offered.

Or, as Jordan put it, "It's like the Golden Rule. We want to help other women as we want to be helped. You're never prepared for everything that comes with breast cancer — people lose jobs, children drop out of college to take care of relatives, a spouse may have to cut back on work — it's financially very jolting."

She said that while many women file for disability pay from Social Security and are eligible for unemployment benefits, payments don't start coming instantly. "We help them until the money comes in." Anyone with a breast cancer diagnosis can apply for aid as long as they live in Monterey County or are receiving treatment from a doctor here.

"We ask, 'Where are you short on money because of your diagnosis?' The need has to be directly related to the diagnosis," said Jordan. That said, the group assists with a wide variety of expenses, including transportation (gas money to get to Stanford University for treatment, for example), rent or mortgage payments, childcare and so on.

BCAG can also help fund what Jordan called "therapeutic support," like mental health services, massage to help with neuropathy, and so on. A doctor must affirm the need for such services.

Applicants can receive a maximum of \$3,500 in one year, and Jordan said the average grant is \$2,000. In addition to monetary assistance, she noted that thanks to an

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Local breast cancer survivors are helping others, following the Golden Rule. Back row, from left: Kim Allen, Barbara Steele, Mary Surbridge, Susan Osorio, Susan Jordan. Front row: Susan Greenbaum, Jane Sullivan, Stephanie Cota, Patty Gomez-Solis



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THE KITCHEN

BROCCOLI SOUP WITH KALE CHIPS

Sarah Cook, Café Carmel

KALE ISN'T for everyone, but it's hard to say no to crunchy, salted chips made from the leafy green. In this recipe, Sarah Cook, owner of Café Carmel, uses homemade baked kale chips to add texture to a nourishing broccoli soup.

Oat milk adds full-bodied creaminess to the recipe without a lot of fat, and the ingredients and preparation couldn't be simpler. A handheld immersion blender makes pureeing a snap, but if you have a regular blender, don't despair — just be careful when transferring and processing the hot soup.

Don't skip blanching the broccoli — it makes a significant difference in the appearance of the finished dish. If you use some of the broccoli stems, chop them into small pieces so that they cook in the same amount of time as the florets. We didn't clear it with Cook, but a dollop of nonfat Greek yogurt on top of the soup would make a nice perch for the kale chips, too.

Serves 3-4 people

Ingredients

1 pound (approximately) broccoli
1 onion, diced
1 tablespoon olive oil
3 cups vegetarian stock (or water)
1 tablespoon wheat or corn flour
1/2 cup oat milk
1 bunch kale
2 tablespoons olive oil
Salt and pepper

Preheat the oven to 275 degrees and heat a large pot of water to boiling. Wash the broccoli and break into florets. Lower them into the boiling water and blanch for a few minutes until bright green, and remove with a slotted spoon and plunge into ice water. Drain thoroughly.

And the olive oil to a pot large enough to hold the vegetables and stock. Place over medium heat, add the onion and cook until soft. Add the broccoli and stock, and season with salt and pepper. Simmer until the broccoli is soft.

Blend the soup in a blender or with a hand blender. If using a blender, work in small batches and use a dish towel to gently hold the top in place.



Mix the flour and milk into a paste in a cup or small bowl and add to the blended soup. Stir and simmer for a few more minutes until thickened, and adjust seasoning.

Kale chips

Wash the kale and cut out the thick central stalks. In a large bowl, gently toss the leaves with the olive oil until coated. Tear the kale into smaller pieces and place on a baking sheet. Sprinkle with salt and place in the oven for 20-25 minutes until crispy, but not burnt.

Serve the soup garnished with kale chips. Another delicious addition would be finely chopped or crumbled blue cheese (as shown, stirred into the soup, or sprinkled on top as a garnish).

Chef Bio



SARAH COOK was a family doctor for 30 years in England before moving to the United States in 2013 with her husband, Brendan. They bought Café Carmel — founded in 1952 as Wisheart's Bakery — to fulfill one of Cook's childhood wishes.

"It was always kind of a dream when I was little to have a coffee shop, bookshop or both," said Cook. "I've always enjoyed cooking, it's a big stress buster for me." During Covid, her husband was temporarily stranded abroad when he couldn't return from a trip to England, and Cook was left to manage the new business and take care of four children who were still living at home in Carmel Valley (the other two were in college).

The pandemic hit Café Carmel just as it did other hospitality businesses. "We closed in March" 2020, she said, because between the lack of tourists and the county's stay-at-home orders, "there was no one around."

Nevertheless, she kept her spirits up and plowed ahead, thanks to some savings and the Paycheck Protection Program, using the opportunity to complete some upgrades to the popular café.

Now that things are back to normal, customers kick-start their days with the Ocean Avenue shop's espresso drinks and can choose from avocado toast, a breakfast burrito or an assortment of egg dishes and delicious pastries.

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classes locally, but Cornish pointed out that for people whose immune systems are compromised due to medical treatments, learning online may be a safer option, anyway.

The site offers five virtual workshops, as well as more than 30 step-by-step guides and videos. There are tips for drawing on eyebrows (hair loss can include eyelashes and brows), caring for brittle fingernails, and suggestions for wardrobe choices to accommodate changes in weight, skin color (“Jewel tones look good on everybody,” said Cornish), and sensitivity to certain fabrics.

Wigs and warmth

Hair loss can be a major setback. Cornish said that some of the women she’s worked with have found ways to have fun with alternative looks. “They say things like, ‘I always wondered what I’d look as a blonde,’” and then try on wigs. There are even baseball caps with hair attached, the better to blend in with everyone else running errands in town.

Others learn different ways to tie and wrap colorful scarves, while many opt for the bald look, she noted. However, the lack of hair can leave a person a little chilly, so having a soft knitted cap can be helpful.

Cornish said that thanks to grants and donations, Montage has a ready supply of wigs, caps and scarves. One beneficiary is Monterey resident Joanne Garden, who was diagnosed with breast cancer last October. Her one-year treatment plan included three surgeries, radiation and two types of chemotherapy.

“The early three months of weekly chemo had all the side effects, including hair loss, neuropathy, edema (swelling), etc. There were nearly two dozen side effects. Some still are with me,” she said.

Commenting on her hair loss, she noted, “My collection of hats is of a lovely variety of colors, designs, etc. — some made by friends, too — and my wig collection, from CHOMP’s Cancer Center, includes three quite nice ones. The hats (beanie style) are most comfy and warm.” She added, “The wigs were saved for special occasions!”

Of course, since Covid was

still a concern, Garden said that those occasions were holidays at home — Christmas, New Year’s, Valentine’s Day and Easter. Her eyebrows and lashes are growing back in, for which she is grateful, and makeup wasn’t an issue because she always wore masks.

Garden’s hair is also growing back in, but she said that in the meantime, “These hats and wigs made all the difference in the world for my feeling of comfort, confidence and presentation. I never would have been at ease walking out my front door without something atop my head.”

Cornish said that some women find they have “chemo curl” after treatment — their hair grows back in with a different texture, often becoming very curly.

Other resources she recommends include Bay Area Cancer Connection, which offers a list of services under the practical support link at bayareacancer.org, and Cancer CAREpoint (cancercarepoint.org), which helps with finding, choosing and caring for wigs.

Stylish outfits

Less common options include having one’s own hair made into a wig before starting treatment, and cold cap therapy (which may be covered by insurance), which involves wearing what Cornish described as an “uncomfortably cold” cap during chemotherapy to stop hair loss.

Although she wasn’t aware of any clothing stores on the Monterey Peninsula that cater to women who have had mastectomies, Cornish mentioned The Next Step boutique in Los Gatos (nextstepboutique.com), where women can find wigs, swimsuits, specialty bras and other items to help them feel better about their appearance.

Finally, Cornish said, if you want to give a thoughtful gift to someone undergoing cancer treatment, it’s best to talk with them before dropping off a basket of lotions, soaps or other creature comforts. Some patients develop sensitivities to fabrics, chemicals and scents during treatment.

If you wish to donate new wigs or knitted hats, call Montage’s Comprehensive Cancer Center at (831) 625-4753.



Joanne Garden



WHEN CAUGHT in its early stages, breast cancer is more easily treated and may even be cured, thanks to advances in diagnoses and treatment. While the American Cancer Society no longer urges women to give themselves monthly breast exams, some doctors believe they are helpful. And, the ACS adds, “Women should be familiar with how their breasts normally look and feel and should report any changes to a healthcare provider right away.”

According to the Centers for Disease Control, if you experience any of the following symptoms, you should make an appointment with your doctor as soon as possible:

- New lump in the breast or underarm (armpit)
- Thickening or swelling of part of the breast
- Irritation or dimpling of breast skin
- Redness or flaky skin in the nipple area or the breast
- Pulling in of the nipple or pain in the nipple area
- Nipple discharge other than breast milk, including blood
- Any change in the size or the shape of the breast
- Pain in any area of the breast



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anonymous “angel donor,” there is a special room at the Food Bank for Monterey County’s Salinas facility stocked with supplies for breast cancer patients who need food or personal items.

While men account for fewer than 1 percent of all breast cancer diagnoses, Jordan said the group is “very open to receiving applications” for assistance from men, and noted that BCAG has helped at least two that she can recall.

Covid caused a decline in requests for assistance. Jordan said she wasn’t sure why that was true, but pointed to a decrease in the number of women who had mammograms during the pandemic. However, she said, “Last year we had the largest number of grant applications” in the organization’s history — apparently, a rebound effect.

Giving locally

Jordan said that volunteering with the organization, where she was on the board of directors for seven years (during which BCAG helped about 350 women), has changed her views on charitable donations. “I used to give to national groups, but now I look for local groups to give to,” she said.

That’s largely because of the home-grown support the organization has received from businesses like Carmel Valley

Ranch, which has hosted an annual golf tournament Jordan said has raised close to \$600,000 over the last 25 years. Pasadera is following suit with a similar tournament next month.

Carmel Valley Athletic Club is getting in on the act with a Party in Pink that includes a raffle to be held on Nov. 4. There’s an annual bowl-a-thon, as well, and Jordan added that the group receives widespread support from “the wine community, including vineyards and tasting rooms.”

“We’ve gotten to be known much more and support has grown in the last five years,” she noted, although all the organization’s fundraisers were canceled for a year because of Covid. She credits the Community Foundation for Monterey County’s Covid-relief grants with helping BCAG get through the pandemic. “It was a lifesaver for us,” Jordan said.

Jordan is cancer-free and considers herself lucky. “I had a lengthy treatment,” she said, and her doctors say her prognosis is good. In fact, she said, more breast cancer stories end happily these days. “There have been huge strides in the last 10 years.”

Everyone looks forward to a day when medical advances make cancer support groups unnecessary. Until that happens, however, BCAG will continue helping people and their families get through a difficult time.

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HER2-positive cancer shows up in about 20 percent of cases, said Dr. Nancy Rubin. “It’s more aggressive and spreads quickly,” she added, so treatments that slow or stop its growth are welcomed by her and her colleagues.

Trastuzumab, marketed under the trade name Herceptin (among others), was approved by the FDA in 1998. Rubin said

that since then, several more drugs have come on the market to treat the disease.

The drugs can work alone or with chemotherapy by “flagging” cancer cells so that chemotherapy attacks them. The most recently developed versions, called T-DXd and T-DMI, have been effective, including in women for whom other therapies haven’t worked. Rubin said that patients’ re-

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Protecting yourself against BREAST CANCER

THE CENTERS for Disease Control lists eight risk factors for breast cancer that are out of anyone’s control — family history, age, genetic mutations, dense breasts, the age at which menstrual cycles begin and end, personal history, previous radiation treatments and exposure to DES, a drug given to women between 1940 and 1971 to prevent miscarriage.

However, there are also some factors that you can control. These include:

- Not being physically active
- Being overweight or obese after menopause
- Taking hormones — some forms of hormone replacement therapy (those that include both estrogen and progesterone) taken during menopause can raise risk for breast cancer when taken for more than five years. Certain birth control pills also have been found to raise breast cancer risk.
- Reproductive history — having a first pregnancy after age 30, not breastfeeding, and never having a full-term pregnancy can raise breast cancer risk.
- Drinking alcohol — studies show that women’s risk for breast cancer increases as they drink more alcohol.

Research suggests that other factors such as smoking, being exposed to certain chemicals, and changes in other hormones due to night shift working also may increase breast cancer risk.

Adapted from [cdc.gov/cancer/breast/basic_info/risk_factors.htm](https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/breast/basic_info/risk_factors.htm)



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sponses to the drug have been long-lasting and reduce or eliminate some of the well-known side effects of chemotherapy, like nausea and hair loss.

She added that many women who might have lived less than a year before this latest round of treatments emerged, can now expect to live as long as five years or more. T-DXd also works in what are called low-HER2 patients, whose test results don't meet the threshold to be designated as HER2-positive.

Reducing side effects

Triple-negative breast cancer is the least common form of the disease, said Dr. Nancy Tray. "It accounts for 10 to 15 percent of all breast cancers, and it's more aggressive

because of a lack of drug targets." (A drug target is something that a medication can seek out and selectively attack, as opposed to broader-based treatments which may kill healthy cells and be less effective.) She added that it was usually diagnosed in younger women, and was more prevalent among Blacks and Latinos.

Until recently, triple-negative breast cancers have been treated with chemotherapy, which targets cells that grow rapidly, but doesn't distinguish between cancer cells and healthy ones, so it can also damage normal cells, sometimes causing nasty side effects.

In addition to chemotherapy, Tray listed three options for treating triple-negative breast cancer. A drug called a PARP inhibitor is approved for patients who have a specific mutation in a gene related to breast

cancer. The PARP inhibitor prevents cancer cells from repairing themselves, causing them to die.

Immunotherapy works by getting the body's immune system to fight the disease. Tray explained that cancer cells are "invisible" to the immune system, but therapies are available that "remove its cloak of invisibility," allowing it to be attacked like any other invader. And, just like for HER2-positive cancers, there also drugs that flag cancer cells for chemotherapy while limiting damage to healthy cells.

The doctors were all optimistic about the future of breast cancer treatment, noting that life expectancies are growing longer, and some patients can be completely cured.

Of course, they said, good outcomes depend on catching the disease early with

regular mammograms, which should begin at age 40 for women with no other risk factors.

There is some disagreement in the wider medical community about whether women should have mammograms annually or biennially.

However, it's worth noting that the doctors said there was a surge of new diagnoses after Covid lockdowns ended and women whose mammograms had been delayed were able to have them done. As always, talk with your healthcare provider about your risk factors, and follow their recommendations.



Dr. Nancy Tray

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Celtic music quartet — three brothers and their dad — plays Friday

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On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

Born in Dublin and now residents of Florida, the group's members all come from the same family — **Luca** (18) plays accordion, **Finn** (16) plays the banjo, mandolin and guitar, and **Dempsey** (12) plays the bodhran (a drum) and whistle, while dad, **Tommy**, plays Irish bagpipes, the fiddle and the guitar.

Jacqueline Pierce of St. Mary's said the church is

thrilled to welcome the musical family.

"This young group is on their way to L.A. to perform and accept an award, and are making a stop to entertain us here," Pierce said. "Their talents are many — they dance, sing and are multi-instrumentalists. It will be a joyful evening full of fun."

The concert starts at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$28 for adults, and \$15 for kids under 12. Masks are required. The church is located at 12th and Central. For more details, call or text (831) 224-3819.

■ Downtown Monterey rocks

If you like your music loud, the Golden State Theater is the place to be this a weekend — on Friday, heavy metal pioneer **Y&T** makes its return to the downtown venue, while Saturday, **Get the Led Out** pays tribute to the music of Led Zeppelin. A local rock band, **Jon Griffin and The Lightfighters**, opens for Y&T.

Showtime is 8 p.m. Tickets for Y&T start at \$35, and at \$29.50 for Get the Lead Out. The theater is located at 417 Alvarado St. Call (831) 649-1070.

Also playing this week At the Golden State are funk band **Cymande** (Oct. 4) and punk rock icon **Henry Rollins** (Oct. 5).

■ Jazz jam in Seaside

"Suite Jazz" returns Sunday to Embassy Suites in Seaside, featuring an all-star cast of local musicians. The lineup includes singer **Janice Perl**, keyboardist **Bill Spencer**, saxophonist **Jim Stainton** and drummer **Jim Vanderzwaan**, along with a special guest. "Don't miss these superstars and future stars," suggested singer **Lee Durley**, who is co-hosting



A father and three sons who play Celtic music, the Byrne Brothers visit St. Mary's-by-the-Sea in Pacific Grove Friday.

the event with Vanderzwaan.

The music begins at 1 p.m. Embassy Suites is located at 1441 Canyon Del Rey Blvd.

■ Pianist kicks off season

An award-winning pianist who was once named Musical America's Instrumentalist of the Year, **Jeremy Denk** kicks off the Carmel Music Society's 2022-2023 season Sunday at Sunset Center.

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A British funk band that created a buzz in the early 1970s, Cymande is back together again, and performs Oct. 4 at Golden State Theater in Monterey.

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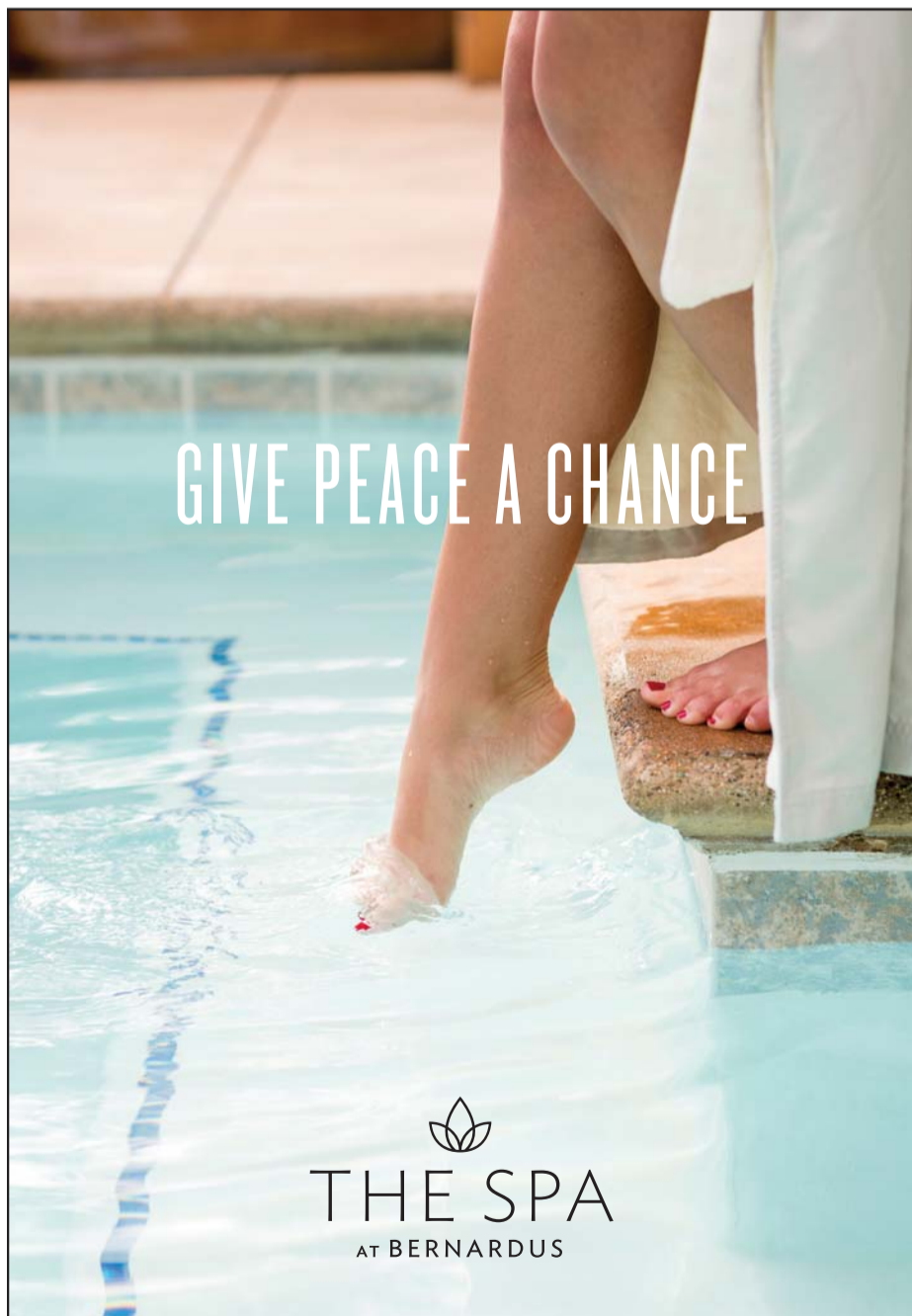
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FOOD & WINE

Sweet Reba's honored, pigs and pinot, Shakes' final Safari, and Children First

STATE SEN. John Laird on Monday presented the 17th Senate District's Small Business of the Year Award to Sweet Reba's in the Crossroads shopping cen-

International Rescue Committee by selling desserts inspired by that war-torn country.

According to Laird, each year, nearly all California legislators choose small businesses in their districts to honor in collaboration with the California Small Business Association. Since Laird and his honoree couldn't attend the annual luncheon in Sacramento in

June, they arranged the reception at the Crossroads for Sept. 26.

Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

ter following an announcement last week that he'd chosen the popular bakery for the honor.

"Sweet Reba's has been a fixture in the Carmel community for many years with their cookies, cakes and secret lunch items," he said, noting that proprietor Rebecca Wilson made her first custom cake in 2004 for her son's 7th birthday and "has not stopped baking since."

Laird also observed that Wilson has "been a cornerstone of the community and helped support other small businesses to grow, such as the Great British Bake Shop," which recently opened in Salinas. The bakery has also raised funds for an employee's Ukrainian family and the

Pigs and pinot

Those who couldn't get into the first Pigs and Pinot on the Patio held at the Bernardus tasting room in Carmel Valley Village over the weekend might be lucky enough to nab a ticket to an additional session planned for Oct. 2 from noon to 3 p.m.

"We will be pouring all of our single-vineyard pinot noir and enjoying Rob Baker's famous slow smoked pork," organizers announced. Baker, who handles sales for Bernardus, has also long operated his Me and the Hound Memphis Barbecue

and turns out fantastic slow-cooked pork. T

Tickets are \$60 per person (\$55 for club members) and can be reserved by calling (831) 298-8021 or emailing Heather Rammel at hrrammel@bernardus.com. The tasting room is located at 5 W. Carmel Valley Road. Visit bernardus.com to learn more.

Final Sabu's Safari

This year's Sabu's Safari, hosted by brothers Sabu Jr. and Chris Shake, will be the last, the family announced this week.

In 2008, the Shakes decided to organize a dinner auction in their father's memory to raise funds for The Salvation Army Monterey Peninsula Corps as part of the Sabu Shake Sr. Memorial Foundation. Their annual Sabu's Safari went on to sell out every year, with more than 300 guests attending.

Centered around gourmet food prepared by chefs from the family's restaurants, beautiful décor and unique auction items, the party has raised more than \$5.7 million for the local Salvation Army corps. The funds have helped pay for daily hot meals and food boxes, showers, laundry, and computers and job assistance at the Sabu Shake Sr. Good Samaritan Center, "which provides all the services for those in need that their dad believed in." In July, a new street next to the center in Sand City was named Shake Avenue.

Nevertheless, two years ago, the event committee decided the 15th Annual Sabu's Safari set for Oct. 1 would be the final event. The party is already sold out, but donations can still be made through sabusafari.org or by calling (831) 645-9124.

Children First Gala

The nonprofit Kinship Center, which finds foster families for kids in need, helps facilitate adoptions and offers other services, will hold its second annual Children First Gala at The Club at Pasadera Oct. 15. Funds raised during the party — this year themed "An Evening of Elegant Masquer-

ade" — will support the center's mission of "creating safe, permanent families for local children who cannot safely remain with their biological parents by supporting their foster care, relative caregiver, children's mental health, and other child and family services."

Longtime child welfare activist and advocate Carol Bishop, co-founder and former executive director of the Kinship Center, will be honored for her "55 years of dedication to children and families in our community," according to Doreen Luke, development director and the gala's event coordinator.

Guests can expect to enjoy a reception with champagne, wine, cocktails, music, appetizers, a raffle and a silent auction, followed by a sit-down dinner prepared by talented Pasadera chef Colin Moody and his culinary team. A program and live auction will accompany dinner, and the evening will wrap up with music and dancing.

For tickets, sponsorships and other information, visit childrenfirstgala.org or call (831) 262-1471.

Nicolás to have full bar

Nicolás Cocina de Herencia, the long-awaited restaurant planned for Carmel

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Sweet Reba's owners Mike Abbruzzese and Rebecca Wilson were presented a proclamation naming their bakery the 17th Senate District's Small Business of the Year.



Salvation Army majors Gaylene and David Yardley honored brothers Sabu Jr. and Chris Shake for their successful Sabu's Safari fundraiser.



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FOOD

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Plaza by the family behind Salinas' popular Villa Azteca, is on track to get a full liquor license, rather than the beer-and-wine license originally sought in July 2021.

A notice posted at the construction site Sept. 8 indicates the new restaurant is acquiring an on-sale general license, which would allow it to offer a full range of cocktails and liquors along with beer and wine, unlike the family's sister restaurant in Salinas. According to the state Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, the license had belonged to the former Planet Gemini nightclub on Fremont Street but was surrendered well before its February 2023 expiration date. The license also includes catering, and all are pending transfer to the new Nicolás site.

Liquor licenses are limited by the state, with new ones issued only when the population of an area increases, so there's a robust secondary market for existing licenses that are no longer being used. For example, Wild Fish restaurant in Pacific Grove was able to step up its cocktail game after acquiring the full license formerly held by the Bull & Bear Whiskey Bar and Taphouse on Alvarado Street in June 2021.

Villa Azteca's Adi Alvarez, her mother, executive chef Susana Alvarez, and father, Leopoldo Alvarez, received permission from the city in June 2021 to open Nicolás, which they said will be "a testament to the family's patriarch." At age 18, he came to the United States to become a farmer, worked hard and earned enough money to

return to Mexico, where he bought land and started an organic farm. His wife — Adi's grandmother — didn't know how to cook, so she learned from her new father-in-law and went on to develop her own recipes inspired by the abundant produce her husband was growing. She subsequently handed them down to her daughter, Susana, Adi's mother, and those cherished recipes will create the foundation for the family's new venture.

"We want our customers to enjoy Mexican food at a more elevated level, to experience how complex and unique it can be," Adi Alvarez said at that hearing. "Unique cuisine for a unique and special village."

As approved, the restaurant will have 50 seats inside, including 10 at the bar, and more outdoors, and will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily.

■ Vineyards in full color

A newly released map of the vineyards of the Santa Lucia Highlands by Antonio Galloni and Alessandro Masnaghetti "depicts each vineyard in stunning, unprecedented detail," according to a group of wineries and growers known as the Santa Lucia Highlands Wine Artisans.

The Santa Lucia Highlands appellation, highly regarded for pinot noir and chardonnay, includes just under 6,000 acres of vineyards in a strip approximately 18 miles long that "consists of a series of alluvial fans in the Salinas Valley that rise into hillsides, elevated plateaus and terraces, all created by land that was broken off from the North American plate and moved north by the force of the San Andreas Fault somewhere in the range of 60 million to

250 million years ago," according to the winemakers' organization.

The "groundbreaking" map marks a moment in history for the region, considering it's the first produced by Galloni and Masnaghetti for the area, according to the

SLH Wine Artisans, and the accompanying text "provides rich context that brings the region's sites to life."

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but is discounted to \$25 until Oct. 1, and fits folded in a clear plastic pouch. Every major vineyard site is discussed and illustrated, and the back of the map provides an overview of the region, with a brief history and discussion of geology. Visit store.santaluciahighlands.com.

Fair sees post-Covid success

After two years of pandemic-mandated restrictions, this year's Monterey County Fair Sept was a big success, according to fair CEO Kelly Violini-Rodoni, who said attendance was up 12.5 percent from last year, the carnival was up 32 percent, and concession sales were up 26 percent, even with the fair reducing its cut so concessionaires could keep their prices lower.

In addition, a dozen participating non-profits raised more than \$126,000. The fair also offered free admission for seniors,

veterans and active military on the first day, admitted 939 kids under 12 throughout the fair, and on Labor Day, more 3,900 food items were donated to the Food Bank for Monterey County.

Raen and Continuum wine dinner

Oct. 10 will bring "an exclusive wine tasting opportunity and an incredible five-course tasting menu prepared by executive chef Cal Stamenov," and guests Dante and Carissa Mondavi, who will present the wines of Raen and Continuum, Grasing's wine director Eric Ewers announced this week.

Continuum Estate was founded by siblings Tim and Marcia Mondavi — the children of renowned Napa Valley wine pioneer Robert Mondavi — in 2005, and their wines are only available by allocation, with people signing up to be notified if and when bottles become available.

And Tim Mondavi's sons, Dante and Carlo, studied wine under their father and grandfather and in 2016 opened Raen on the Sonoma Coast to produce pinot noir

and chardonnay. Their wines are also only sold to members who receive allocations.

All that is to say, these wines are hard to come by.

Dinner will start at 6 p.m. with a first course of warm Dungeness crab salad

paired with 2021 Raen Lady Marjorie Cuvée chardonnay, followed by leek-and-scallop-encrusted salmon served alongside 2016 Raen Royal St. Robert Cuvée pinot noir.

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The program has just one piece on it, Bach's *The Well-Tempered Clavier, Book One, BWV 846-893*.

The concert begins at 3 p.m. Tickets start at \$45. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth.

Live music Sept. 29-Oct. 6

Barmel — singer and guitarist Rick Chelew ('60s music, Friday at 5 p.m.). In the courtyard, San Carlos and Seventh.

Bernardus Lodge & Spa in Carmel Valley — pianist **Mathias Morris** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Casey Wickstrom** (rock and

blues, Saturday at noon), pianist **Michael Culver** (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Scott Slaughter** (Sunday at noon). On Carmel Valley Road at Laureles Grade.

Big Sur River Inn — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** ('60s folk, Saturday at 12:30 p.m.) and **James Henry & Hands On Fire** (world music, Sunday at 1:30 p.m.). 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/Wine Bank — **The Money Band** (pop and rock, Friday at 7:30 p.m.). 26135 Carmel Rancho Blvd.

Cuz's Sportsman's Club in Seaside — **The Brad Wilson Band** (rock and blues, Friday at 8 p.m.), **Johnny Tsunami & The Shoulder Hoppers** (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.

Folktales Winery in Carmel Valley — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Kris Angelis** (Friday at 3 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

Gusto Pasta and Pizza in Seaside — **Two Rivers** with singer **Richard Bryant** and guitarist **Kyle Kovalik** (pop and rock, Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). 1901 Fremont Blvd.

Henry Miller Library in Big Sur — singer and guitarist **Cate Le Bon** (Saturday at 6:30 p.m.) and Open Mic Night (Thursday at 5 p.m.). Highway 1, 28 miles south of Carmel, (831) 667-2574.

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 **Kevin Pfeffer** (Thursday at 5 p.m.). 1 Old Golf Course Road, (831) 372-1234.

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



Singer and multi-instrumentalist Chuck Brewer and his band play Saturday at the Salty Seal in Monterey.

7 p.m.). 2700 17 Mile Drive.

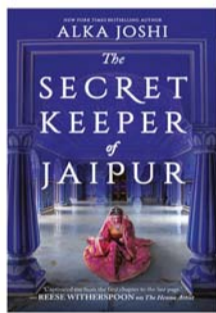
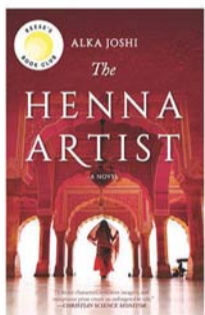
Intercontinental Hotel in Monterey — guitarist **John Sherry** (folk, rock and blues, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Johan Sotelo** (Saturday at 9 a.m.), singer and guitarist **Dan Cortes** (Saturday at 6 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Terrence Farrell** (classical and jazz, Sunday at 9 a.m.). 750 Cannery Row.

Julia's Vegetarian Restaurant in Pacific Grove — singer and guitarist **Rags Rosenberg** (Friday), pianist **Kevin Smith** (jazz, Saturday), **Wuwu** ("freak folk and dream pop," Sunday), keyboardist **Michael Martinez** (Tuesday), singer and guitarist **Talmon Owens** (Wednesday) and singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** ('60s folk, Thursday). All shows start at 7:30 p.m. 1180 Forest Ave.

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La Playa Hotel — **The David Morwood Band** (jazz, Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 4 p.m.). Bud's Bar, Camino Real.

The Links Club — **The Bounce Kitty Buskers** (Dixieland jazz, Friday at 7:30 p.m.). Carmel Plaza, Mission and Ocean.

The Lodge at Pebble Beach — singer and pianist **John Harris** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Casey Wickstrom** (rock and blues, Saturday at 6 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Kevin Pfeffer** (Sunday at 6 p.m.). In the Terrace Lounge at 1700 17 Mile Drive.

Lucy's On Lighthouse in Pacific Grove — **Kindred Soul** (classic rock, Saturday at 2 p.m.) and **Lighthouse** (rock, country & blues, Sunday at 2 p.m.). 1120 Lighthouse Ave.

Massa Tasting Room in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** ('60s folk, Sunday at noon). 69 W. Carmel Valley Road.

Midici Pizza in Monterey — **Janice's Jazz Jam** with singer **Janice Perl**, keyboardist **Bill Spencer**, bassist **Pete Lips** and drummer **Andy Weis** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.) and singer and bassist **Dennis Murphy** and guitarist **Paul Magpusao** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St.

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

Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa — pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and pianist **Scott Brown** (jazz and pop, Saturday at 6 p.m.) and keyboardist **Gary Meek** (jazz, Sunday at 6 p.m.). 400 Cannery Row.

Puma Road at Portola Plaza in Monterey — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Kris Angelis** (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Anthony Presti** (Saturday at 6 p.m.) and guitarist **Peter Martin** and saxophonist **Ben Herod** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.). 281 Alvarado St.

Rio Grill — singer and guitarist **Paul Behan** (Friday at 5 p.m.) singer and guitarist **Kevin Pfeffer** (Saturday at noon) and guitarist **Johan Sotelo** (Sunday at noon). Crossroads shopping center.

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

The Salty Seal Pub in Monterey — **The John Michael**

Band (rock, Friday at 8 p.m.), **The Chuck Brewer Band** (rock, Saturday at 8 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Dan Frechette** (Thursday at 8 p.m.). 653 Cannery Row.

Sly McFly's in Monterey — **The Josh Rosenbloom Band** (pop and rock, Friday at 9 p.m.), **Matt Masih & The Messengers** (funk, soul and reggae, Saturday at 9 p.m.), **Rhythm Tribe** (classic rock, Sunday at 9 p.m.), **The Long Distance Flyers** (classic rock, Monday at 9 p.m.), **Victory Lane** (classic rock, Tuesday at 9 p.m.), **Johnny Tsunami & The Shoulder Hoppers** (rock, Wednesday at 9 p.m.) and the **DC Trio** (funk and r&b, Thursday at 9 p.m.). 700 Cannery Row.

Tarpy's in Monterey — singer and guitarist **Casey Frazier** (Friday at 5 p.m.), **Andrea's Fault Duo** (jazz and blues, Saturday at noon) and singer and guitarist **Kevin Pfeffer** (Sunday at noon). 2999 Highway 68.

Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Meredith McHenry** (Friday at 6 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Greg Freeman** (Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place.

Twisted Roots Wine Tasting Room in Carmel Valley — guitarist **John Sherry** (folk, rock and blues, Sunday at 1 p.m.). 12 Del Fino Place, (831) 594-8282.

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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 6:30 p.m.). 545 Lighthouse Ave.

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Executive director Robert Reese told The Pine Cone that the building was constructed in the late 1920s or early 1930s.

Besides being used as a garage, it was also used for storage before it became art studio. Most recently, it was used by artists Robin Sawyer and Dick Crispo.

“We’re going through the permit process, and we’ve had the city take a look at it,” Reese said.

“We’re not adding any square-footage — we’re renovating the inside, and we’re replacing the roof and exterior walls. We’re trying to keep it as it originally looked.

For more details, call (831) 624-7491.

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Built nearly a century ago, a former garage at the Cherry Center for the Arts is getting new life as an art studio.

Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

foot art studio — which was once a garage for Carl Cherry and his wife, Jeanne d’Orge.

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S/Alexander J. Heisinger, President & CEO
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Date signed: Aug. 31, 2022
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ART

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■ Museum hosts artist talk

An artist who completed a residency and fellowship at poet Robinson Jeffers' landmark Tor House, Enrique Martínez Celaya presents a talk Saturday at the Monterey

Museum of art.

Celaya will reflect on both the residency and the show, and describe his creative journey.

"Enrique's enduring interest in the Carmel poet Robinson Jeffers provides a unique opportunity to engage our community in a dialogue with California art — past, present and future," the museum's executive director Corey Madden said.

A show pairing Celaya's artwork with Jeffers' poems, "The Fire of Heaven," is on display at the museum through Oct. 9.

Born in Cuba and now living in Los Angeles, Celaya discovered inspiration in Jeffers' words — and the place he called home. "This exhibition offers tantalizing evidence of how California has influenced him, and how Jeffers continues to generate resonance for artists working outside this region," Madden added.

The talk starts at 2 p.m. The museum is located at 559 Pacific St. Visit montereyart.org.

■ Latest mural unveiled

A striking mural by Salinas painter Jose Ortiz was

unveiled during a ceremony Tuesday along the east stairwell of the Monterey County Administrative Building. The painting, which shows students with laptops, is reminiscent of the style that was popular with muralists during the 1930s. Ortiz was commissioned by the Arts Council of Monterey County to create the piece, and donations totaling \$10,000 paid for it.

At Tuesday's county board of supervisors meeting, county administrative officer Charles McKee praised Ortiz's work. "It's a beautiful work of art, and it helps connect the work we do with the community," he added. Ortiz has created more than 70 murals throughout Monterey County.

■ Meet the artisans

Folktales Winery's Provisions gallery hosts a pop-up, "California Celebration of Cork, Glass, Pottery and Baskets," Friday from noon to 6 p.m.

"Come meet our creative California artisans — our cork designer, glass blower, potter and basket maker — all showing their fabulous creations," the winery said.

The winery is located 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

WINE

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Third will be Liberty duck cannelloni paired with Continuum, a Bordeaux-style blend with varying percentages of cabernet sauvignon, cabernet franc, petit verdot and merlot for each vintage. The current 2019 vintage will be served with this course, followed by 2017 Continuum with tournedos Rossini and 2011 Continuum with parmesan and Gruyère soufflé.

The cost is \$250 per person, not including tax and gratuity, and reservations are available by signing up at form.jotform.com/222657252382154. Grasing's is located at Mission and Sixth. Visit grasings.com for more information.



The lavish and festive Children First Gala will be held at The Club at Pasadera to raise money for the Kinship Center.

CALENDAR

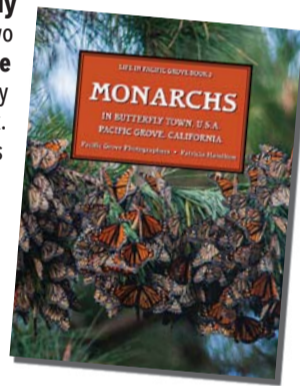
Sept. 30 – Reading at Tor House – John Dotson, former poet-in-residence, and Neale Inglenook, Fellow, will discuss their experiences at Tor House, read favorite Jeffers poems and their own work; 7 p.m., Tickets are \$10. Reservations required, www.torhouse.org

Sept. 30 – Baum & Blume's "Make-Way-for-Autumn" Sale! Everything's 25% off in The Boutique! Summer fashions, hats, accessories, bath goods, books, candles, art, children's gifts and more! Sept. 30 is last day to SAVE! Shop 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Baum & Blume and The Carriage House, 4 El Caminito Road, Carmel Valley. (831) 659-0400

The Wine Bank is host to great live music shows throughout the month. Check out the show calendar at www.winebankbar.com for a complete schedule.

Sept. 30 - Oct. 2 - Butterfly Days – Pacific Grove welcomes the monarchs home with three days of festivities, family fun and special events. Details: www.butterflydayspg.org

Oct. 1-2 – Three new butterfly books: Pictorial history "Monarchs in Butterfly Town USA" and two children's: "Welcome to Pacific Grove" story book and coloring book. Buy books at 20% less and meet creators Keith Larson, Joyce Krieg, Patricia Hamilton, noon to 4 p.m. at Chautauqua Hall, Pacific Grove. Sales benefit Pacific Grove Public Library. PACIFICGROVEBOOKS.COM



Oct. 2 – Get your tickets now for an amazing show with Lauren Monroe, Rick Allen and more at the fairgrounds in Monterey. Proceeds benefit the new homeless shelter for women and families coming to Monterey – the Shuman HeartHouse. Kids' activities, too, with the Art Council of Monterey! Kids' ticket free with purchase of adult ticket. Fun for the entire family! Ticket information @ bit.ly/3zNNJph

Oct. 2 – Blessing of the Animals, 2-4 p.m. at Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula, 4950 Carmel Valley Road, one mile east of Hwy. 1. To learn more, call (415) 385-9629.

Oct. 3 – Welcome back to the Carmel Woman's Club for a talk on the state of the City by Carmel Mayor Dave Potter, 2 p.m. The public is invited. Mayor Dave will give an update on current issues the city is facing and will take questions at the conclusion of his talk. A return of the bountiful coffee/tea buffet will follow the presentation. The Carmel Woman's Club is at Ninth and San Carlos in Carmel. Masks optional. Members free; guests \$10. (831) 624-2866 or (831) 594-6200.

Oct. 5 – An Evening with Alka Joshi, 7 p.m. at All Saints' Church, Ninth and Dolores, Carmel-by-the-Sea. The author of "The Henna Artist" will share her experiences that led to its publication. Followed by a Q&A. Stay for Afterglow: refreshments, book signing, henna application. Tickets at allsaintscarmel.eventbrite.com.

Oct. 7-8 – 22nd International Documentary Film Festival of the UN Association Monterey Chapter offers thought-provoking films on human rights, culture and the environment. Details: www.unamontereybay.org

Oct. 9 – Mark Neiwirth – Steinway artist – in concert, 4 p.m. at Church in the Forest, Pebble Beach. Favorite works for solo piano: Beethoven's beloved "Les Adieux" Sonata, Images by Claude Debussy and concert etudes by Franz Liszt. Stevenson School campus, 3152 Forest Lake Road. Tickets \$25 / Students \$5 at eventbrite.com or at the door.



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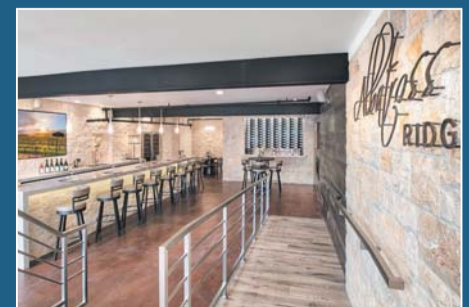
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Meet Village Park Road: Supes OK new name for renegade Rio Road segment

By CHRIS COUNTS

IF YOU'VE ever been puzzled about why there are two very distinct segments of Rio Road at the mouth of Carmel Valley, you're not alone. Recognizing the quandary, the Monterey County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously Tuesday to name the lesser of the two segments Village Park Road.

While the Rio Road that intersects Highway 1 is familiar to just about everybody, the one that provides access to the Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula and the

former Rancho Cañada golf course is less known.

The discrepancy happened because it was once believed the two Rio Roads would be connected and stretch from Highway 1 to Carmel Valley Road, passing behind Carmel Middle School. But in 2013, when the Carmel Valley Master Plan was updated, any plans to connect the two segments were officially abandoned. Much of the former Rancho Cañada is now part of Palo Corona park.

The Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District made the request to change the name of the road, Monterey County surveyor Michael Goetz told the supervisors.

"Having two disconnected roads with the same name obviously leads to confusion to motorists thinking it goes through, when of course, it doesn't," he said.

No addresses affected

Goetz observed that no properties along the future Village Park Road had Rio Road addresses, because the church and the former golf clubhouse — now the MPRPD's offices — have addresses on Carmel Valley Road.

"The name change will have no impact to any existing addresses," Goetz confirmed.

Supervisor Mary Adams called for a vote on the name change, and it was quickly passed. "It will be very helpful for people to see the difference between the two roads," she added.

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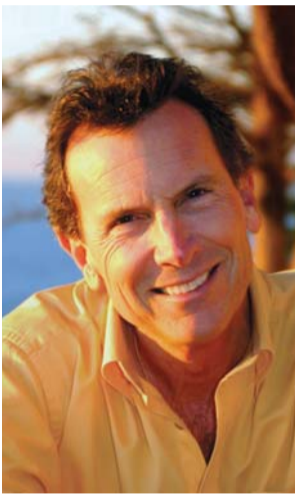


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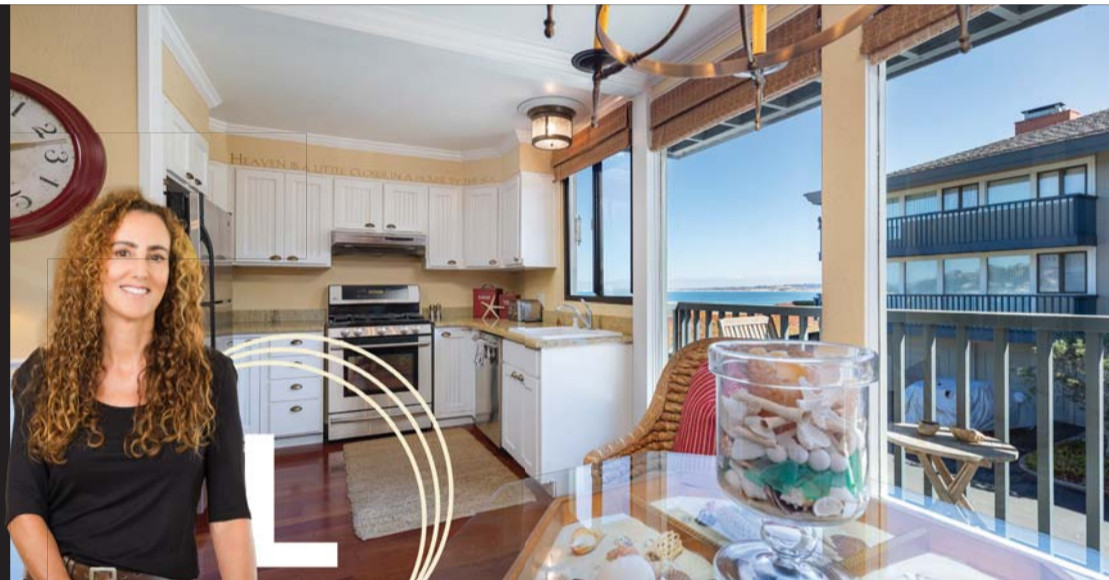
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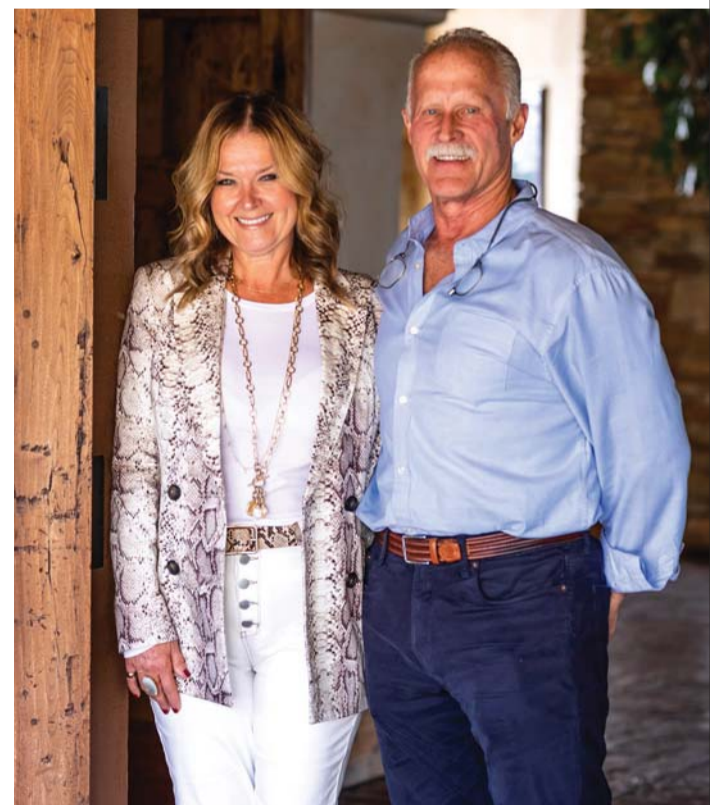


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POLICE LOG

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Big Sur: Subject's work computer was stolen from his unlocked car on Highway 1.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lost diamond ring reported at Lincoln and Sixth.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Pacific Grove: Report of a child sex crime, possession of child pornography, on 10th Street.

Pacific Grove: At about 1719 hours, officer was requested to check on a resident on Miles Avenue. Monterey Fire responded to the residence on report of a lift assist and after departing, contacted the police department regarding the living conditions of the resident. Officer responded, made contact with the resident and assisted the person in locating a lost item within the home. The residence was cluttered; however, the resident was able to navigate the home. The resident refused any additional assistance.

Pacific Grove: A report of a dog at large that was returned home by the reporting party. A welfare check was requested for the dog.

Carmel area: Citizen on Highlands Drive reported a violation of a court order.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vandalism at Monte Verde and Fourth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A lost cell phone was reported at Carmel Beach.

Pacific Grove: Fall on public property at Jewell and Pacific.

Pacific Grove: Male reported vandalism of his friend's vehicle on David Avenue. Officer made contact with the legal owner of the vehicle who requested documentation of vandalism to his vehicle. The owner suspected a former tenant; however, he did not wish for the officer to contact the possible suspect at this time.

Pacific Grove: Turned in drugs and drug paraphernalia for destruction.

Carmel area: Resident requested a welfare check on a relative on Carmelo Street. Person was contacted and advised they were OK.

Carmel area: Child Protective Services report of alleged physical abuse on Meadows Road.

Carmel area: Resident reported domestic violence on Shafter Way. Spouse, a 42-year-old male, was arrested and

lodged into the county jail.

Carmel Valley: Report of theft of a wallet at Mid Valley Center.

Carmel area: Outlook Drive resident reported her bicycle was stolen from outside her front porch.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Resident brought a loose dog from Ocean and Del Mar to the department for safekeeping. Dog

returned to its owner with a warning.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lost cell phone on the beach.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A found wallet with an ID and credit cards were turned in. The wallet was returned to its owner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A lost credit card was reported.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Animal control responded to a report of a dog unattended in a parked car on Mission north of Fourth. Limited windows were left open, and a thermom-

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WHAT'S FOR DINNER? GIVEN THE CHOICE, I'D RATHER HAVE A ROOT CANAL

WHEN YOU receive unexpected confirmation of something you were merely thinking about, it is a good idea not to tempt the gods. I had been considering a column based upon the continuing conundrum of what to have for dinner. It is a scene straight from the movie, "Groundhog Day." The alarm goes off, Sonny and Cher sing, "I Got You Babe," and Bill Murray asks, "What's for dinner?"

Later, the same day, I saw a post on Facebook: *Who knew that the hardest part of being an adult is figuring out what to cook for dinner for the rest of your life?* That's a cartoon light bulb coming on over my head. The post garnered 9,000 comments, 28,000 shares, and 66,000 likes.

There were judgmental comments such as, "You should be grateful that you have enough to eat every day." One responder

wrote: "Figuring out what to cook and cooking it is like a jail sentence. I want time off for good behavior." Another said, "It really is like jail. I hate thinking about it and cooking it. And I really hate cleaning up." The problem dates back to the earliest days of recorded history. Can't you just hear this dinner conversation?

ADAM: "Apples baked in fig leaves again! Didn't we have that last night?"

EVE: "Quit complaining or you'll be wearing your dinner one of these days."

I am my own worst enemy when trying to determine what to have. My dinner music is Jimmy Buffet's "Cheeseburger in Paradise." I'm a meat-and-potatoes guy — not that I don't try to incorporate more veggies into my diet. I search the internet for

palatable vegetable dishes. But when I see recipes made from kale, leeks and legumes I get a craving for fried baloney sandwiches. Wasn't there a horror movie called, "The Creature from the Black Legume?"

Cooks like to integrate broccoli into recipes. I hate broccoli. My father-in-law, born on a Kentucky farm, used to say that pigs won't eat broccoli, and he wouldn't eat anything pigs wouldn't eat. Our original parents were evicted from Eden for eating broccoli. By rights I should be writing this column on an iBroc. If vegetables are so appealing, why are food marketers so devoted to dressing them up to look and taste like meat?

Let them eat beans

My distaste for vegetables goes back to my childhood, when I pushed green beans around my dinner plate hoping they would disappear. My mother would admonish me with, "Eat your green beans. Think of the starving children in China who wish they had green beans to eat." Hey mom, even a 6-year-old has a good response to that laughable statement.

Fish is a reliable fall back, if it doesn't taste like fish. Ironically, I like shellfish, which I should avoid because of gouty arthritis. My fettuccini Alfredo with prawns is delicious enough to warrant a little joint swelling.

Pasta is another staple I've depended on all my descended-from-Sicilians life, but the doctor wants me to cut back on red sauce. *Aglio e Olio* (garlic and oil) saves the day for me. There is pizza — the perfect food — but even I cannot have it every night.

Dining out is an option, but restaurants have to cope with rising food costs, too. Twenty-five dollar entrees are drifting towards \$40. Add a glass of wine and

you're calling on the goddess Visa to bump your credit limit. And isn't a restaurant menu just a pricier decision about what's for dinner?

Sometimes I resort to one of my standby meals from my starving student days, and

Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVASE

whip up a hearty dinner of good, old fashioned snads. Snads? My college roommate and I skimped on food, as our budget was tighter than a Wayne Newton facelift. A mealtime staple was a nameless concoction of ground beef, potatoes and any can of vegetables on hand. We'd brown the meat, mash the potatoes, add the vegetables and mix it all up. It was an inexpensive, fill-the-tummy, stick-to-the-ribs meal.

One day my roommate received an invitation to the Student Nurses Association Dance, abbreviated S.N.A.D. We liked the word so much we added it to our lexicon as a catchall word to describe the indescribable, which is how our ground beef meal became snads.

Snads do stick to your ribs, but be advised they also stick to anything they come in contact with. Clean the pots and pans immediately, or you'll need to take a blowtorch to them.

Lacking in resolve

You would think that modern supermarkets stocked with an overwhelming variety of comestibles would simplify menu planning. Not so. I make resolute decisions about soaps and paper products, wine and ice cream. Then I stand before the meat/fish counter as unassertive and timid as

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eter was used to obtain the temperature in the vehicle. The dog was observed showing quick panting behavior. The dog owner was located, and educational information was discussed. Owner was cooperative, and a warning was given.

Pacific Grove: A juvenile subject fell off a bike on Fountain. Informational report only.

Pacific Grove: Officers were dispatched to an in-progress burglary of an occupied residential dwelling on Austin. Upon arrival, it was determined no crime had been committed.

Pacific Grove: Suspicious circumstances reported on Congress.

Pebble Beach: Sheriff's deputies responded to a shooting at a residence in Pebble Beach on Coyote Road. Property damage only.

Carmel Valley: Online report of vandalism on Laureles Grade.

Carmel Valley: Online report of attempted fraud on Schulte Road.

Carmel Valley: Resident passed away in her residence on Ford Road and was located by a family member.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic stop at Flan-

ders and Highway 1 at 0102 hours found a 50-year-old female to be in possession of meth and drug paraphernalia. Cited and released.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Two vehicles towed from Junipero and Sixth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Cat vs. bat vs. human on Dolores north of Fifth. Owner's cats brought a bat into the house where a boy was sleeping.

Carmel area: Online report of theft on Carmel Rancho Boulevard.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lost silver necklace with sea pearls and crystals. All were in a navy blue bag.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A resident found a dog in the roadway at Mission and Fourth and brought it to the station. The dog was returned to the owner and educational information discussed.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found ticket machine in downtown Carmel.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a report of a male entering a home on Cachagua Road.

Carmel area: Subject reported a lost purse at the Crossroads. A credit card in the purse was later used by an unauthorized person.

Carmel area: Deputies responded to a medical call for service for a person who was found deceased inside the residence on

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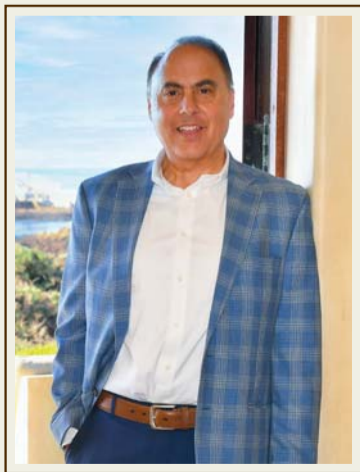
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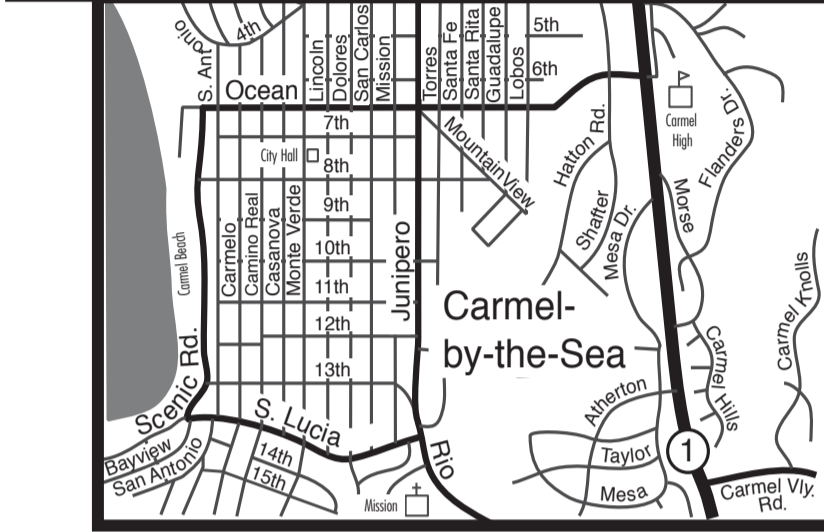
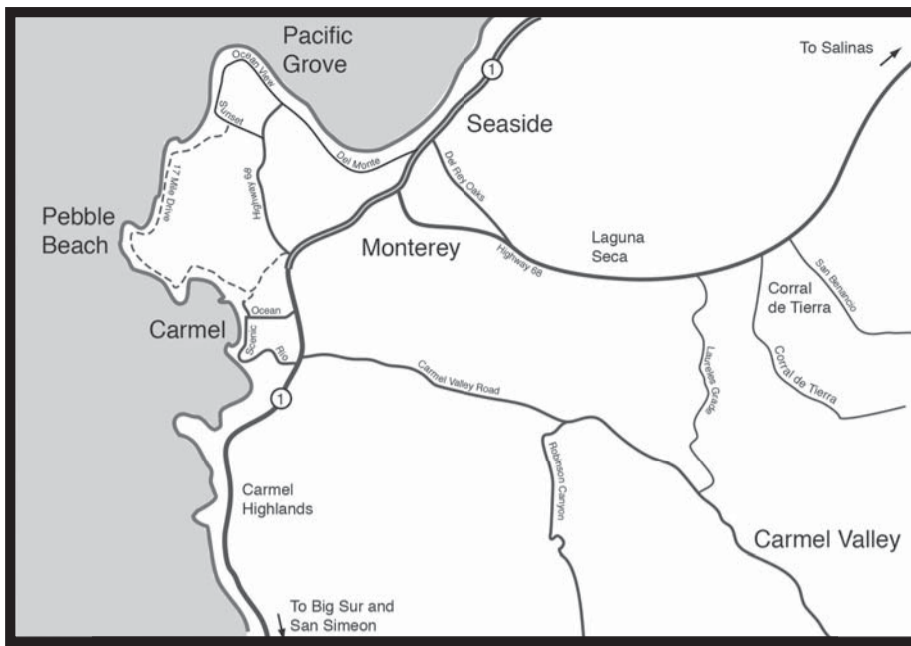
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\$739,000	3bd 1ba	Su 12-2
1785 Soto St		Seaside
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414 2nd Street		Pacific Grove
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2984 Crescent Rd		Pebble Beach
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SALINAS

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Sotheby's Int'l RE		277-1868
\$929,000	4bd 2.5ba	Sa 11-2
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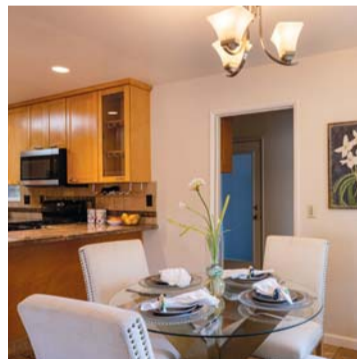
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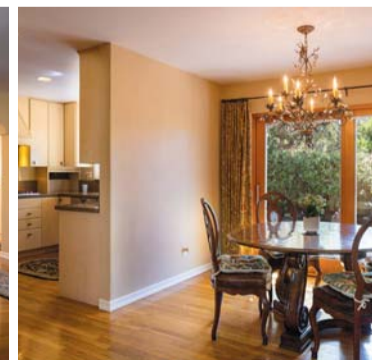
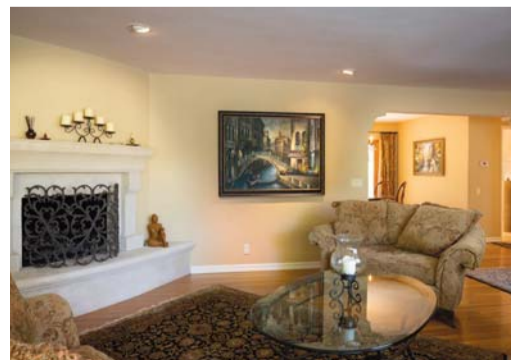


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CALLS

From page 9RE

Dougherty Place.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic stop at Highway 1 and Carpenter at 0432 hours found a 41-year-old male subject to be in possession of meth. Cited and released.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Informational report received from APS. Report stated the report is only for informational purposes at this time for possible elder financial abuse of a resident on Dolores north of Santa Lucia. No follow-up requested at this time.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject lost a purse with wallet and keys behind a hotel on Rio Road.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Walk-in to the station — found purse and cell phone.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 32-year-old male Salinas resident was arrested at Highway 1 and Aguajito Road at 2320 hours for DUI. Search warrant authored and executed for the subject's blood after he refused to submit to testing. Driver lodged at county jail and vehicle stored.

Pacific Grove: Child custody issue on Forest Avenue. Information only.

Pacific Grove: Disturbance at a residence on Lighthouse. Information only.

Pacific Grove: Report of a missing person at risk.

Pacific Grove: Police were dispatched to conduct a welfare check at a hotel on Lighthouse Avenue. A report was taken.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a male suffering from dementia on Carmel Valley Road.

Carmel area: A family quarrel occurred at a Palo Colorado Road residence. A 25-year-old male was arrested for warrants.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Outside assist with an assault that occurred in a neighboring jurisdiction.

GERVASE

From page 8RE

comedian Jackie Gleason's "The Poor Soul," waiting to catch a break. I see my reflection in the glass, a tangible reminder that I am the problem. I cannot decide what's for dinner.

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fall on city property on Sixth east of San Carlos.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Trespass advise on Mission north of Seventh.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic stop conducted on a 62-year-old male driver from Corvallis, Ore., who failed to stop at a stop sign at Junipero and Fifth at 2128 hours. Driver was arrested for DUI and released on a citation with a promise to appear in court.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject reported losing a driver's license near the Forest Theater.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found dog training collar on Carmel Beach was brought to CPD for safekeeping.

Pacific Grove: Fall on public property at Miles and Sinex.

Pacific Grove: Attempted fraud reported on Brentwood Court.

Pacific Grove: Vandalism on Lighthouse Avenue.

Carmel area: Unknown person damaged a vehicle on Walker Avenue.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male on San Antonio Avenue reported losing his wallet, which contained his California driver's license, two work IDs and his insurance card.

Pacific Grove: At about 0835 hours, officers were dispatched to a report of a suspicious person in Pacific Grove. Officers contacted the person, who was in front of a residence on Sinex. Subject had a confirmed warrant and was cited and provided a new court date.

Pacific Grove: Subject contacted at Park and Grand for violating the municipal code. A report was taken.

Pacific Grove: Two missing-person reports taken.

Carmel Valley: A suspicious circumstance occurred on Paso Hondo resulting in property damage. Pending investigation.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Loitering at a private residence on Dolores Street.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A city tree fell on a vehicle parked on the roadway at Lincoln and Seventh. No damage was observed to the vehicle.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Dog-vs.-person bite reported at 13th and Scenic.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fall on city property on Mission south of Ocean.

Pacific Grove: Informational report documenting a damaged window on Lighthouse Avenue.

Pebble Beach: Resident reported an incident in the ocean off Pebble Beach near Cypress Drive.

Pacific Grove: Found property on Sunset was surrendered to the police department.

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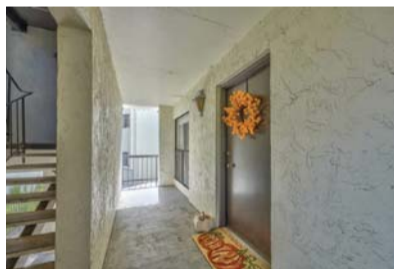
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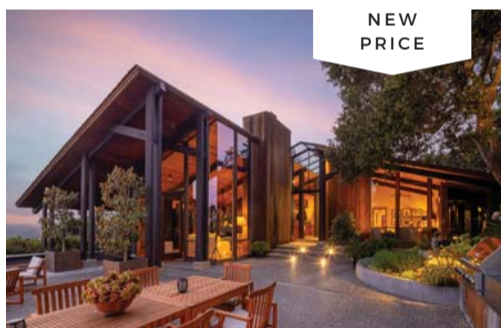
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