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## Coastal commission opposes outdoor dining

**Says it impedes visitor access on Fisherman's Wharf**

By CHRIS COUNTS

SEEKING TO preserve outdoor seating at restaurants on Fisherman's Wharf, the Monterey City Council agreed Tuesday to send the California Coastal Commission a letter asking that outdoor dining at the landmark site be extended for another year.

Without the extension, outdoor dining there would end in January 2023 — unless restaurants obtain permits.

According to the coastal commission, restaurants on the wharf with outdoor dining "appear to be impeding general public access to the wharf." A July 21 letter from the powerful watchdog agency reported that its investigation of the wharf's outside dining was triggered by a complaint.

### Covid surge?

Speaking out in favor of the extension was Wendy Brickman, executive director of the Fisherman's Wharf Association. Brickman suggested removal of the outdoor seating would "negatively impact" the city.

"We're facing a predicted surge in Covid this winter, and many people still feel much more comfortable dining outdoors al fresco than indoors," she said. "Everyone enjoys the fresh air on the wharf and eating outside."

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PHOTO/CHRIS COUNTS

A family visiting from Indiana enjoys lunch outside Thursday at Crab Louie's Bistro on Monterey's Old Fisherman's Wharf.

## Food waste, garbage inspectors coming to bins near you

By MARY SCHLEY

AUDITORS HIRED to inspect people's garbage to ensure they aren't throwing recyclables, food scraps or yard waste in the wrong bins, have begun accompanying GreenWaste drivers on their routes in much of the Monterey Peninsula and will soon be doing so in Carmel, according to the city's environmental compliance manager, Agnes Martelet.

The "lid flippers" are mandated in expansive state legislation that requires residents to put all their food scraps — except used grease and raw meat — in their green bins. The new rules kicked in Jan. 1, with enforcement and penalties for non-compliance set to come online in 2024. The inspections underway now are for educational purposes.

The legislation, Senate Bill 1383, also requires housing complexes to provide the three-container system for tenants and make sure they and any contractors working on the property know what goes where. Employers have to educate their workers and let city inspectors make sure they're following the rules.

**A new state law requires cities to monitor what you throw away**

### Trash auditors

The new law requires cities "to conduct monitoring of a random sample of waste, recycling, and organic material carts in both residential and commercial areas," Martelet said.

"The purpose of this monitoring is to identify contamination — such as materials placed in the wrong container — and provide educational feedback to residents and

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## Cal Am hopes SoCal desal OK will help prospects

By KELLY NIX

A SPOKESMAN for Cal Am said Thursday that the utility is hopeful that the California Coastal Commission's recent approval of a desalination plant in Dana Point designed with the same well technology Cal Am is proposing for its desal facility for the Monterey Peninsula will bode well for the company when the state agency considers the project next month.

California American Water has proposed a desalination plant near Marina that would use slant wells to draw seawater from underneath the ocean floor — technology the State of California has required the company to employ.

While Cal Am's proposal has detractors, including the City of Marina which claims the project would hurt its groundwater supplies, the coastal commission Oct. 13 greenlit a facility for Dana Point which is also designed with slant wells. The approval of that facility, Cal Am

spokesman Josh Stratton said, gives the company hope that the state agency will OK the Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project, which includes a portfolio of water projects, including Cal Am's desal plant.

### Desal requirements

"It confirms that desalination projects like the Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project, which use slant wells and greenhouse gas-free energy supplies, are a necessary part of the resilience portfolio needed to provide drought-proof water, and in our case, help protect the Carmel River," Stratton said.

Unlike traditional desalination facilities, which use open-ocean intakes and can kill fish and other marine life, slant wells are much less harmful. In Cal Am's case, the source water from the slant wells installed in the Marina

See DESAL page 20A

## Lawsuit: Bar discriminates against 'men, non-binary'

By KELLY NIX

A CARMEL sports bar simply trying to drum up business by offering discounts to female patrons has been hit with a lawsuit by two men who claim their civil rights were violated because the bar charged them and others more for alcohol and use of golf simulators than it did women during a "ladies night" event last month.

In a civil complaint filed Oct. 13, Steve Frye and George St. George contend they went to Links Club in Carmel Plaza on Sept. 14 during a ladies night, which charged women \$20 per hour for use of the golf simulators, while "men and non-binary persons" had to pay \$65 per hour. Women were also given \$2 off alcoholic drinks but men and non-binary people — who don't identify as male or female — were not.

**Claim that 'ladies night' discounts are illegal**

lawsuits against more than 40 businesses for holding ladies nights, according to a 2014 Orange County Register article — described the Links Club's promotional event as "repugnant and unlawful."

"Any business operating in the progressive state of California in the 21st century knows that California embraces diversity, inclusion and equality and condemns

See DISCOUNTS page 16A

## City, PG&E say 'murdered' trees 'fell through cracks'

By MARY SCHLEY

AFTER AN outcry when two very large pines on Monte Verde Street were abruptly cut down by PG&E in late August, representatives of the utility pledged last week to do a better job of keeping the city in the loop.

But whether they have unilateral authority to prune or cut down trees in the city, as they have argued they have, is now up for debate, thanks to dueling state laws.

"There's been a murder of a bunch of large trees, all living trees, lying like corpses at the battle zone," resident

See TREES page 17A

## Whoever's responsible did a really good job



PHOTO/COURTESY STEVE WOOLPERT

A Carmel Valley man returned home last week to find his lawn had been very neatly turned over, but it wasn't his landscaper who did it. See page 6A.



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# Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

## Downward facing dog

At 125 pounds, Monte is a big, black, imposing creature, who looks serious, scary, strong. Except, said his person, he's actually a big goofball with a very big personality.

Monte identifies as a plot hound-Labrador retriever mix but is larger than both of those breeds. Still, the characteristics of each emerge, particularly his huge and plaintive hound-dog wail. Especially when a fire engine screams by his Seaside home.

Monte is a graduate of South County Animal Rescue in King City. His foster family found him wandering their neighborhood until they corralled and hosted him for about a year. At the time, he weighed a skinny 65 pounds.

Monte's forever family had been looking to adopt a dog just about as long as he'd been waiting for them. Although they'd never had a huge dog, they knew he was "the one" the moment they met.

"Monte is a lot of fun but also exhausting," his person said. "At first, I wasn't so sure of him, but he's really just a big love bug, a totally sweet, adorable, loving creature."

The only name to which he responded was, "Good Boy." His family renamed him Monte, since he was found in Monterey County. Both names are accurate,



his person said. When Monte, now 5, goes for a walk, his macho vibe generates a lot of attention.

"When I walk smaller dogs, everyone compliments them," his person said. "When I walk Monte, I only get compliments from guys. Dudes think he's a cool dog."

Monte gets very excited about going to the beach, mostly because he loves the water. Yet he's not a skilled swimmer, so his family watches him to ensure he doesn't drown. They finally got him a life jacket, since his front end sinks and he goes into downward-facing dog.

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# FBC shows sympathy to woman whose contractor cut tree roots

By MARY SCHLEY

NEARLY THREE months after city forester Sara Davis issued a stop-work order because a contractor cut large roots of a Monterey pine in front of a Ninth Avenue house, the forest and beach commission last week decided not to fine the homeowner as much as Davis recommended. In the past, the commission has taken a hard line with people who illegally damaged or killed trees, sometimes imposing heavy fines, but not this time. So far, the tree is fine. Davis said she learned of the damage to the tree after the building inspector advised her someone had complained a contractor illegally cut the roots to sink footings for a new garden wall.

“Upon inspection, it was found that while installing footings for a new fence in the front setback, Cantera Masonry had cut several roots of a significant Monterey pine using a saw,” Davis told commissioners in her Oct. 13 report. Because the roots were greater than 2 inches in diameter, the work required a permit from the city.

### Dueling arborists

Certified arborist Pete Bachman assessed the tree on behalf of the contractor and concluded the cutting wouldn’t significantly impact the health of the pine, but the city’s certified master arborist, Frank Ono, said pruning the 5-inch-diameter roots did, in fact, make the tree vulnerable to infestations and disease. Ono concluded the tree

was worth \$5,100 before the roots were cut and assessed the subsequent decline in value at \$2,700, according to Davis.

As a result, she suggested the forest and beach commission fine the homeowner, Rosemary Montgomery, \$4,473, which includes \$1,248 for the stop-work-order



PHOTO/CITY OF CARMEL

This photo shows a 5-inch Monterey pine root that was cut during construction of a fence on Ninth Avenue.

investigation and double the \$340 tree permit fee, plus \$2,700 in depreciation of the city-owned pine, and Ono’s fee of \$525.

Montgomery didn’t comment on Davis’ recommendations, but commissioner Brian Sours suggested cutting her some slack.

“In fairness to the property owner, the stop-work order was dated July 29, and we’re just getting back to the property owner now,” he commented.

Because of the delay, Sours suggested the commission show a little leniency, especially since the severing of the roots is unlikely to kill the tree.

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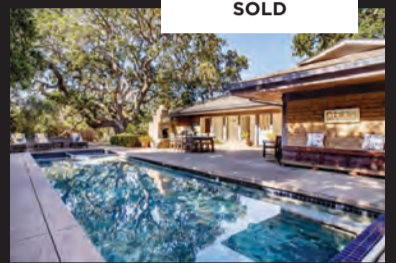
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# Police & Sheriff's Log

## Whining dog appeared to be healthy

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.

an argument on Rio Road over driving.

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Domestic violence restraining order violation at Monte Verde and Ocean. A 28-year-old resident of Fair Oaks [Sacramento County] was arrested for child abuse, obstruction, resisting arrest and violation of a restraining order. He was booked into Monterey County Jail.

**Pacific Grove:** At about 1449 hours, officer dispatched after a report of theft from a business on Lighthouse Avenue. A description of the perpetrator was provided, and the surrounding area was checked. No security cameras and no further leads.

**Pacific Grove:** Report of a possible fraud on Lighthouse, but it was determined to be a civil matter. Reporting party was refunded money by the company. Information report only.

**Big Sur:** Deputies responded to a report of suspicious circumstances on Highway 1 involving an adult male.

See **POLICE LOG** page 9RE in the Real Estate Section

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4

**Pacific Grove:** At approximately 2145 hours, a subject reported that a threat was made on social media toward everyone at a school on Sunset Drive.

**Pacific Grove:** At about 1648 hours, officer was dispatched to contact behavioral health regarding a possible juvenile in crisis. Made contact with the juvenile, who was with their family on Congress and who was not in crisis. This report is for documentation only.

**Carmel Valley:** A shed was reportedly burglarized on Southbank Road.

**Pebble Beach:** A theft was reported on Stevenson Drive.

**Carmel Valley:** Adult Protective Services referral alleging neglect at a West Carmel Valley Road residence.

**Carmel Valley:** A civil issue was reported on Carmel Valley Road.

**Carmel area:** A man was pushed during

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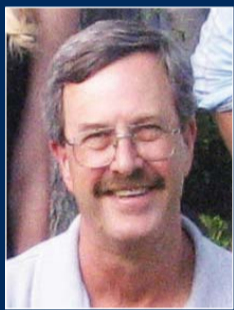
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## The gavel falls

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



**Sept. 28** — Nikki Isidro Portillo, 33, of Salinas, was sentenced by the Hon. Judge Rafael Vazquez to a total term of 45 years in the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. The defendant will have to register as a sex offender for life.

The defendant previously entered pleas to five counts of forcible lewd acts on a child in violation of penal code section 288(b)(1). The defendant further admitted that the crimes were aggravated due to the victim being particularly vulnerable based on her age, and that the defendant took advantage of a position of trust or confidence to commit the crimes.

In October 2020, Jane Doe courageously disclosed to a family member that the defendant had been molesting her since she was 7 years old. That family member listened to, believed, and supported Doe and promptly called law enforcement, which initiated an investigation.

At the sentencing hearing, victim impact statements were provided to the court from Doe's aunt. These impact statements

recounted the pain and suffering that Doe went through due to the defendant's actions, as well as her amazing recovery. Judge Vazquez commended Doe's family for the support they have provided her, as well as Doe's strength and courage.

The case was primarily investigated by Salinas Police Department Detective Alejandro Rodriguez. Doe and her family were assisted by Monterey County District Attorney Victim Advocate Alma Sanchez.

**Sept. 28** — The Hon. Pamela L. Butler sentenced Jacob Carlier Diaz, 26 and a resident of Monterey, to serve nine years in state prison. Diaz previously pleaded no contest to solicitation to commit sexual assault, using a minor to sell a controlled substance and criminal threats. Diaz's current convictions qualify as strikes under California's three strikes law and he must register as a sex offender for the remainder of his life.

On Jan. 19, 2021, the Monterey County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a

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# Wrong-way driver convicted of murder in 2021 accident

By KELLY NIX

A HABITUAL drunk driver who was traveling the wrong way on a South Monterey County highway last year when he crashed head-on into a vehicle driven by a former Carmel Valley woman, killing her, was convicted of second-degree murder Tuesday.

Baltazar Donato, 28, of Greenfield was driving a Lincoln MKS northbound in the southbound lane on Highway 101 near San Ardo on Feb. 2, 2021, when he crashed into a Mazda Protegé driven by 23-year-old Sabrina Lecce. Lecce died shortly after the collision, and her boyfriend, Grisey Castro Gutierrez, was injured.

It took a 12-member jury less than a day to return with a guilty verdict. Testimony in the weeklong trial — presided over Monterey County Superior Court Judge Pamela Butler — wrapped up Monday.

## Painful evidence

The jury also convicted Donato of gross vehicular manslaughter while intoxicated, driving under the influence of alcohol causing injury, driving with a blood alcohol of more than .08 percent and driving on a suspended license. Because Donato has had two previous DUI convictions, the jury also found him guilty of causing injury to more than one person and great bodily injury.

Donato, who is not a citizen of the United States, faces 15 years to life in state prison when he's sentenced Nov. 30.

A 1981 California Supreme Court case established that drivers in certain instances can be charged with second-degree murder.

During the trial, Lecce's family had to endure emotionally agonizing testimony and evidence regarding the final moments of her life.

"If Donato would have pleaded guilty instead of being a coward, it would have been so much better for our family," Lecce's mother, Michelle Gurley, told The Pine Cone.

Donato, a landscaper, showed no emotion when the verdict was read. However, Gurley said that she felt her daughter's presence when he was convicted on all the charges.

"As soon as they said 'guilty,' we all started crying," Gurley said. "Once I took a breath and knew justice was served, I looked up and felt Sabrina was there. She said, 'Let go and be happy now.'"

## Excuses

Donato's blood alcohol level was .193 percent, more than twice the .08 percent legal limit, according to a test at Natividad Medical Center about two hours after the fatal crash.

Despite the overwhelming evidence against him, Donato argued that California Highway Patrol officer Isaac Clocherty "failed to obtain a warrant" before asking a nurse to draw his blood at the Salinas hospital, which he said amounted to an illegal search and seizure.

His attorney, Mario Martinez, also took issue with the "forensic manner" in which Donato's blood was analyzed, claiming it "greatly reduced accuracy and reliability."

Clocherty testified that when he got to the accident scene, he saw a 24-ounce can

**Driver was dismissive when told he'd killed a young woman**

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## Lawn ruined in Sleepy Hollow, homeowner admires pigs' efficiency

By CHRIS COUNTS

A MAN who lives in the Sleepy Hollow neighborhood in Carmel Valley discovered the hard way why so many people consider wild pigs to be pests.

Steve Woolpert returned home this week from an outing to find what appeared to be a renegade rototiller job in his backyard. The culprit wasn't a human using a tool, but a group of animals using their snouts.

"I was surprised today to come home to find that someone had turned over my 2,500 square foot backyard lawn with a shovel," Woolpert told The Pine Cone. "Upon closer inspection, it wasn't human gardening but rather wild pig foraging — I found hoof prints."

With their snouts and hoofs, wild pigs are known to uproot lawns in their search for food. While many would be angry at the pigs for destroying their yards, Woolpert insisted he isn't. Instead, he described his reaction as one of astonishment. He seemed truly impressed by what they accomplished.

"I've never seen what wild pig foraging looks like," he said. "It was like they knew what they were doing — the squares were

pretty cleanly cut. It blew me away."

Woolpert said he hasn't decided yet if he will replace his lawn, but he has reached out to a professional wildlife company for advice on how to deter the pigs. One option he isn't considering is killing them. While Woolpert likes the idea of having pigs in his neighborhood, he can see why others want to get rid of them.

"I'm delighted to see pigs here," he added. "I've lived here for 20 years, and I've never seen a wild pig — night or day."

Just three weeks ago, Gov. Gavin Newsom signed legislature — SB 856 — that makes it easier to eradicate wild pigs. The bill lifted all remaining hunting restrictions on them.

### They don't belong

The species is not native to California, but Carmel Valley has been home to wild pigs since at least the 1920s, when a dozen from North Carolina were introduced at Rancho San Carlos. Experts say there are as many as 400,000 wild pigs in the state, where they cause environmental and public health problems, say their detractors, which includes much of the ag industry. They cause an estimated \$2.5 billion in crop damage each year in the United States.

## 'Bohemian Soul' subject of lecture

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE FOREST Theater will host the next Carmel Public Library Foundation local history lecture with the screening of "Bohemian Soul" Wednesday, Oct. 26, at 6:30 p.m. The free program will focus on the city's artistic blossoming following the San Francisco earthquake.

While history shows that Carmel-by-the-Sea was founded as a real estate

venture, according to the film, "In 1906 Carmel, a group of artists created a revolutionary colony based on the ideals of truth, freedom and love. Their commitment to 'Art as Life' continues as a major influence to artists and thinkers around the world today."

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## P.G. voters to decide about cannabis sales, smaller council

By KELLY NIX

PACIFIC GROVE voters will decide Nov. 8 on two hotly contested ballot measures, including allowing a marijuana shop in town and cutting the size of the city council.

Measure M asks voters if they want to allow cannabis sales in the city. Proponents say allowing a pot shop would raise about \$300,000 annually for Pacific Grove. Opponents say permitting sales of the drug — which remains illegal under federal law — would have negative repercussions, especially for young people.

City councilman Chaps Poduri has been outspoken in favor of a marijuana store in town, and he initially proposed asking voters to decide on two shops before the council reduced it to one. Poduri argues that a shop offering recreational marijuana would create jobs and make it more convenient for users.

“Residents and tourists of Pacific Grove are currently purchasing cannabis products outside of our town,” Poduri said. “This is lost revenue, from a city standpoint.”

### Pot destination?

The Pine Cone asked Poduri if he would embrace the idea of advertising Pacific Grove as a cannabis sales destination.

“The aim is sustainable development,” Poduri said about the possibility of a marijuana shop. “After the store is in operation, a cost-benefit analysis and discussions with the community and the chamber will help us understand if this is an option we need to pursue.”

Opponents, though, say a pot shop

would hurt small businesses, create blight, be too close to schools and draw people to Pacific Grove who only want to buy marijuana.

### ‘Desirable businesses’

“The city council should create a comprehensive plan to attract new, desirable businesses, not just an undesirable pot shop solely to collect more revenue,” resident Kevin Hanley said. “Don’t give them the power to mandate an undesirable pot shop next to our favorite bakery, restaurant or hardware store.”

Measure M would prohibit a shop within 1,000 feet of day-care, schools and the city’s youth center, which proponents say is an adequate buffer but which opponents say isn’t far enough. Voters will also be asked to decide on companion Measure N, which would set a tax of up to 6 percent of gross receipts for retail and delivery cannabis businesses.

In Measure O, Pacific Grove voters will decide if they want to reduce the size of the city council by two members. The council is currently composed of six members plus the mayor, for a total of seven. If Measure O passes, the council would be reduced to five.

About 90 percent of California cities have five-member city councils, including Carmel and Monterey, which makes P.G.’s seven-member council an anomaly. Proponents of Measure O say a smaller council would promote efficient decision making and trim administrative and other costs. Meetings would also be shorter since fewer

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# Bridge demolition, track repaving in works at Laguna Seca raceway

By MARY SCHLEY

WITH THE final major race event of the year — the Velocity International vintage races held Oct. 14-16 — in the rear-view mirror, Laguna Seca raceway will shut down for repaving and construction of a new start-finish bridge, work expected to cost nearly \$15 million and be done before the bulk of next year's racing season.

The window for construction opened Oct. 1 and runs through April 19, 2023, according to the tentative schedule provided by the contractor to the county, which owns the track and surrounding recreation area but contracts with John Narigi to run it. While taxpayers are picking up most of the tab, Narigi has pledged to raise \$1,634,459 in new sponsorship money for the project.

"There are a number of track improvements that will be constructed concurrently with the bridge construction process but the track will not be repaved until all construction activities that would impact the paving process have concluded," county

spokeswoman Maia Carroll said this week.

Three events will still take place while work is being done, according to Carroll: the Sea Otter Classic cycling festival and competition in April, and the Trans Am Speedfest and IMSA WeatherTech Sports Car Championship, both in May.

### What's next

The project calls for a brand-new steel start-finish bridge that's ADA accessible. The bridge crossing the track into the paddock and other infield areas is critical since it's used by many spectators and others parked on the perimeter. The existing bridge is unsafe, county and track officials have said. Porsche's hugely popular Rennsport Reunion committed to returning to WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca in fall 2023 contingent upon the bridge's replacement.

According to the schedule provided by Granite Construction, demolishing the decrepit bridge was to be completed by

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The decrepit start-finish bridge at WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca will finally be torn down and replaced with a steel bridge that's ADA accessible and can accommodate carts. The track itself will be resurfaced, as well.

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## Plan to tax empty homes falls flat

By KELLY NIX

AN IDEA by Pacific Grove City Councilwoman Jenny McAdams to tax property owners whose homes are “empty” and “underutilized” received a frigid reception from residents and her council colleagues at a meeting Wednesday night. The idea was shot down without even the first steps taken toward developing the proposal.

McAdams proposed taxing people who own homes in P.G. but don't live in them often enough and don't rent them out. An annual \$2,000 tax on each of the 1,349 “empty homes” in P.G., McAdams estimated, would generate about \$2.7 million annually, while a \$6,000 tax would bring in about \$8 million.

The revenue from such a program, McAdams said Wednesday night, would pay for “affordable housing projects, down payment programs, support for renters,” and “make an investment in housing solutions.”

Empty-home-tax programs “have been shown” to encourage owners to rent out their homes long term, promote home sales to buyers who want to live full-time in a city, provide annual revenues for infrastructure improvements and city services, and provide down payment assistance, renter assistance, and other housing programs, McAdams said during what she framed as a “conceptual discussion.”

#### Other proposals

McAdams wanted her six council colleagues to join her in directing city staff to minimally research the empty-home tax idea, including monitoring proposals by other much larger cities in California that have posed the question to voters. But other council members rejected the idea.

There are 8,121 homes in Pacific Grove, McAdams said.

#### ‘Spending problem’

Resident Vince Tuminello said it was “unjust and unfair” to consider taxing people “who worked hard all their lives to buy second homes,” and noted that “most” of them eventually move into them.

“You don't have a taxation problem, you have a spending problem,” he told McAdams and the other council members. “Why did you authorize all those raises and pensions” for employees? “Don't you think ahead?”

Mayor Bill Peake said directing staff to look into the matter is “premature,” while councilman Joe Amelio called the idea a “tax on a tax,” echoing others who have called McAdams' proposal a “double tax.” Councilman Nick Smith said the city shouldn't pursue the idea, as did councilman Chaps Poduri, who said he believes that underused

homes in P.G. are a result of the city prohibiting short-term rentals in some neighborhoods.

“We haven't given [homeowners] enough options to rent their properties out,” Poduri said. “So we don't need to enforce something else to overcome what we have done in the past.”

Realtor Debby Beck, who is vying for a seat on the city council in November, also pointed to taxes homeowners already pay.

“Our No. 1 generating revenue source for the City of Pacific Grove is property taxes, and those homeowners are paying property taxes,” Beck said.

Another council candidate, Mark

### Claim that Pacific Grove has 1,349 ‘empty’ homes

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# To lower wildfire risk and restore habitat, conservancy burns 65 acres

By CHRIS COUNTS

**I**N THE latest example of fire being used to reduce the threat of it, the Santa Lucia Conservancy burned 65 acres in the Santa Lucia Preserve Sunday.

Not only is the work intended to protect nearby communities from wildfire, but it also aims to improve habitat for plants and animals.

The prescribed burn was done in the San Francisquito Flats area of the preserve, where officials hope to restore native grasslands and wetlands. The site was drained and seeded with invasive grass for ranching a century ago.

“By clearing vegetation to prepare the land for native seeding in the spring and cycling nutrients back into the soil to reinvigorate growth, this prescribed burn is a critical part of the conservancy’s long-term efforts to restore the wet meadow,” the

conservancy explained.

Shortly after the flames died down Sunday, the preserve’s restoration manager, Jackson Brooke said the benefits of fire could already be seen. “I watched coyotes and deer forage in the burned area as valley oaks dropped their acorns in a pattern developed over millennia as a response to low-intensity fire,” Brooke said.

### Benefits already evident

According to the conservancy, which manages 18,000 acres of open space, many of California’s plants have evolved to depend on fire to help germinate their seeds. “In the absence of periodic, low-intensity fires, fuels accumulate, habitats degrade, invasive plants proliferate and the risk of catastrophic wildfire increases,” the conservancy explained.

The conservancy had considerable help with the burn Sunday, and preparing for it.

Those who had a hand in it included the Central Coast Prescribed Burn Association, the Santa Lucia Community Services

District, Monterey County Regional Fire District, Spring Valley Volunteer Fire Department, and Cal Fire.

Firefighters conducted a prescribed burn Sunday in the Santa Lucia Preserve. The effort scorched about 65 acres, reducing the wildfire risk and restoring habitat.



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## Zombies to stumble/moan/race in P.B.

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

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“We ask everyone to dress up as a zombie, but the choice is up to you,” organizers said. “Remember, this is a kid-friendly event, so zombies with excess gore or displaying violent tendencies will be asked to leave.”

The event runs from 9 a.m. to noon, with costumed runners and walkers tackling the steep hills of the 5K Zombie Crawl or the 2K Survivor Stroll, a flat mile perfect for strollers and little kids. Both courses are set out on Pebble Beach fire roads.

The courses begin and end at the

corporation yard, and zombies and survivors should be at the starting line half an hour before their chosen stampede waves of 9 a.m. for the 5k and 9:10 a.m. for the 2K. The courses will be clearly marked, and volunteers and medical personnel will be patrolling the fire roads to lend a hand if needed.

After the run, participants can grab a free post-race taco or two and visit with the zombie firefighters, who will share their survival skills. Awards will be given for the best costumes.

Registration is limited to 350 participants. Adults are \$25 and kids are free but must be accompanied by at least one registered adult runner. (One adult can accompany several children.)

For information and to register, visit [pbcasd.org/eighth\\_annual\\_zombie\\_run\\_emergency\\_preparedness\\_fair](http://pbcasd.org/eighth_annual_zombie_run_emergency_preparedness_fair).

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# Monterey High employee on leave after texting student

By CHRIS COUNTS

A MONTEREY High School employee has been put on leave and an investigation has been launched after he was accused of sending inappropriate text messages to at least one student.

"This is not right," the father of the student told TV station KSBW. He said the employee sent his daughter late-night texts complimenting her body and saying he would want to date her if he was in high school. The father suggested the employee is "preying" on students. "You send your kids to school, and you think they're going to be safe — it's unbelievable."

The girl's mother also spoke with the TV station. "I see my daughter shocked and traumatized," she said.

Monterey High School principal Thomas Newton notified parents that the employee has been put on leave. "Your student's educational experience is of the utmost importance, and we want to assure you that we are doing our due diligence to

address the matter at hand," Newton said in a letter to parents.

Although the employee who was put on leave was not identified by name because he hasn't been charged yet, his job was identified as a family service specialist.

### Investigation underway

Contacted by The Pine Cone, Monterey Peninsula Unified School District spokesperson Marci McFadden offered only the following statement:

"The safety and well-being of our students is a top priority for the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District and Monterey High School," the statement reads. "The district has been made aware of an allegation of inappropriate communication between a staff member and students and immediately placed the employee on administrative leave. MPUSD is working collaboratively with law enforcement to fully investigate this matter."

McFadden added that both the district and Monterey Police are investigating.

# Carmel gives \$5K to CHS mock trial

## ■ Sue McCloud offered to match city's donation

By MARY SCHLEY

THE CITY council at its Oct. 4 meeting was poised to donate \$1,000 to Carmel High School's mock trial team for its trip to Chicago this week to compete in the Empire World Championship but ended up contributing \$5,000 after former Mayor Sue McCloud offered to match up to that amount.

The team won an unprecedented eighth straight championship at the Monterey County level and then took third place at the state competition, earning the students a spot in the world championship. Their travel costs were estimated at \$35,000, and for the past several months, they've been fundraising to help cover the tab.

A resolution to give the team \$1,000 was on the consent calendar and therefore set for adoption without discussion but was pulled by Mayor Dave Potter, who suggested a larger gift.

"My feeling is that's a little low,

honestly," he said. "It's a nationally renowned competition we do very well in, and it would show our support for the school if we up that contribution."

Potter said he was recently informed McCloud was offering to match the city's grant up to \$5,000 and therefore suggested the council max out the match.

"That seems like a more substantial contribution for these kids," Potter said.

Councilman Bobby Richards seconded his motion, which was adopted unanimously.

### Will be worthy

Afterward, Richards read a letter from the team thanking the council for what it expected to be a \$1,000 donation.

"We are extremely grateful for your support and will do our best to be worthy of it," the team wrote. "We have been working hard on this case since July, and our trip is fast approaching. We are so excited to travel to Chicago and represent our school and the great community of Carmel."

Richards and Potter remarked that the students would no doubt be even "more happy" with the larger gift.



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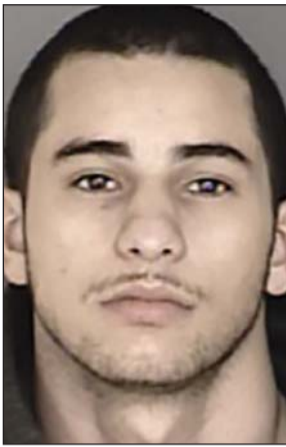


# Fourtane robbery suspect to face trial

By MARY SCHLEY

MORE THAN 10 months after he was arrested for a smash-and-grab robbery at Fourtane Jewelers early last December, Elijah Juarez was told Sept. 29 he will stand trial on three counts of second-degree robbery with the use of a deadly weapon, despite his attorney's arguments he should face the lesser charge of burglary since he didn't hurt or threaten anyone.

At around 5 p.m. Dec. 7, Juarez and two other people, all dressed in dark clothing and wearing masks, walked into the high-end jewelry store at Ocean and Lincoln, according to testimony given by police at the preliminary hearing in Monterey County Superior Court. A man was "driving by with his family when he saw three individuals with sledgehammers going into Fourtane and thought that looked odd, so he stopped his vehicle and called 911 to report suspicious circumstances," testified Cpl. Rachele Lightfoot, who retired this summer after 20 years on the force.



Elijah Juarez

sounds they heard were gunshots. In fact, the popping sound came the breaking glass, which is double-paned and contains pressurized gas.

### 'Hightailed it out of there'

Hearing Carrie Ann's scream, security guard Danny Hamilton, who had been outside, walked into the store, and seeing the men, drew his gun, according to Lightfoot. They turned and ran, escaping with "a couple hundred thousand dollars" in jewelry in a black Toyota Highlander with no license plates, and officers arrived soon after.

Lightfoot also said she reviewed store surveillance video showing Juarez was wearing a brown flannel shirt with a grey hooded sweatshirt, dark pants, a beanie, a mask and Nike Air Max shoes.

Under cross examination from Juarez' defense attorney, Adam Koppekin, Lightfoot said she did not see any of the robbers confront any of the employees or the security guard, or threaten them with their sledgehammers.

Further, when Hamilton drew his gun, "they just hightailed it out of there. They got into their Highlander and left," the attorney reaffirmed.

Carmel police officer Joe Martis then testified about his part in the case, which focused on arresting Juarez. When police learned what had happened, Martis immediately activated a law enforcement network that helps search for suspects by posting cars at major intersections and along the highway. A California Highway Patrol officer stopped the black plate-less

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## Big Sur groups split \$40,000 from Weston Call Fund

By CHRIS COUNTS

ESTABLISHED TO honor a young man who died four years ago, the Weston Call Fund has distributed \$40,000 to 10 groups working in Big Sur.

The fund was set up through the Community Foundation for Monterey County. The recipients include the Arts Council for Monterey County, Big Sur Fiddle Camp, the Big Sur Grange community hall, the Big Sur Park School, the Community Association of Big Sur, Community Emergency Response Volunteers of the Monterey Peninsula, Henry Miller Memorial Library, the Los Padres Forest Association, Stage Kids and the Ventana Wilderness Alliance.

### \$86,000 since 2018

While most of the groups are based in Big Sur, several are located elsewhere but are doing work there.

"We are so grateful to those who have contributed to the Weston Call Fund for Big Sur," said Brian Call, Weston's father and chair of the fund's advisory board. "It allows us to continue the work of Weston in supporting the Big Sur community in impactful and meaningful ways."

More than \$86,000 has been granted by the fund since it was established in 2018.

As an example of how one grant will positively impact the community, the Big Sur Grange Hall plans to use its money to offset expenses, which will make it possible for the group to charge a lower rate for rentals of the hall.

### A unique community

The hall hosts weekly Alcoholics Anonymous meetings, the Big Share food giveaway on Mondays, dance classes for kids on Fridays, a workshop and performance by Stage Kids in the summer, an annual crafts fair in the fall and a monthly clean-up day by volunteers. The grant will help the group add CPR classes, yoga classes, art classes and more.

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# Big Sur man arrested for sexual abuse of child

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A RESIDENT of Big Sur for 12 years, Jose Alfredo Boj Saquic was arrested last week by the Monterey County Sheriff's Office and charged with 20 counts of child molestation, including sodomy and oral copulation with a victim under 10.

"This week, detectives arrested Boj Saquic at his place of employment in Big Sur without incident," the sheriff's office reported.

The assaults happened at the child's home while the parents were at work

and the child was in the care of a family member.

Saquic was booked into the Monterey County Jail on "numerous sexual assault charges," and his bail was set at \$40 million.

The sheriff's office, which began investigating Saquic in September, is asking anyone who has had "inappropriate contact" with him to call Det. Christian Zarate at (831) 755-3809 or Det. Sergeant David Vargas at (831) 755-3771.

Saquic's Facebook page offers few details other than he was born in Guatemala.

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## Citizens for a better Carmel-by-the-Sea

On November 8th, there is an important election for City Council in Carmel. There are four candidates running.

**Jeff Baron is one of the candidates and is NOT GOOD for Carmel.**

Here is a factual record of **BARON'S VOTES AND QUOTES FROM** City Council meetings or the Carmel Pine Cone.

**Initially supported Verizon tower to be placed near La Playa.** Pine Cone: "While councilman **JEFF BARON** agreed the larger poles and additional equipment would create visual blight, he acknowledged the need. "Verizon is going to spend a considerable amount of money — I think that demonstrates a need," he said, adding that his service has gotten worse. "It's starting to fade out, and it happens at weird times." He is among the 50 percent of people who do not have a landline at home and rely entirely on cell phones."

**Recommended unlimited permits for street vendors.** "I don't care if we have 50 of them, let's do it the Carmel way." Voted against ordinance, which passed 4-1.

**Recommended that the Frank Lloyd Wright house not be deemed "historic" for Mills Act purposes.** "I want to understand the calculation and the amount of tax abatement and the possibility of having the contract terminated if the house was sold to a new owner, e.g. 'Silicon Valley executive.'" Mills designation granted 4-1.

**Did not support removing trees identified for removal in North Dunes.** Pine Cone: "I want to end this on a positive note, this is my last meeting," Jan Reimers said. "That's the way it was written in 2009 and it was not honored. This is not a diversion from the plan. The fact it has not been honored in these years is tragic, and the dunes are being destroyed because of the debris from the trees." Reimers notion passed 4-1 with **BARON** dissenting.

**Advocated strongly to close Scenic road 3 days a week, 4 hours a day to allow for biking.** Rejected by the City Council by the vote of 4-1 with **BARON** commenting to fellow Council members, "I will not forget what you have done here."

**Questioned a grant to Carmel Mission as believed it was a religious grant, even though none of the funds went to support religious activities.** "I'm having that issue, and I'm not really sure what to do about it," he said.

**In April, 2020, Pine Cone: Council member JEFF BARON argued for defunding the \$1M police department renovation** but spending nearly that much on the street projects, including the San Carlos median and bike lanes. "I think we live in a society that is dominated by cars," he said adding that he wants more money spent on making the city "more bike friendly."

**Continuously advocated for burning wood on the beach.** Co-chaired the Climate study which glaringly left out any mention of the effect of wood smoke on the environment.

Council member **BARON is not good for Carmel.**

**Please vote for Parker Logan for City Council.**

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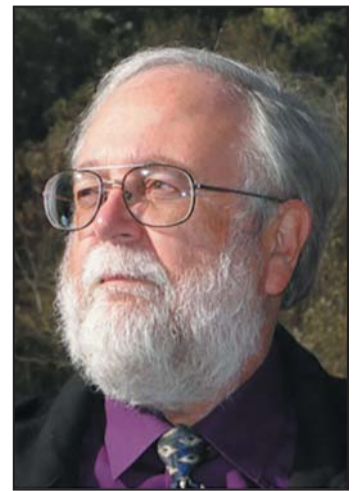
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Bio: A graduate of Cal State University, Fullerton, Lawrence Samuels was a writer and columnist for his campus newspapers, the editor of an off-campus underground newspaper, and a writer for the *Orange County Register*. He is the editor and contributing author of *Facets of Liberty*, an anthology of short political, economic, and sociological essays, won an honorable mention at the "East of Eden" Writers Conference in 2002 for his historical novel *Ferret: The Reluctant King* (published in 2020). He has also published several non-fiction books: *In Defense of Chaos* in 2013 and *Killing History: The False Left-Right Political Spectrum* in 2019. In 2021, he published the first book in the science fiction series—*We Are Them: The Apocalypse Syndrome*, and in 2022 *We Are Them: The War Years* by Freeland Press. L.K. Samuels was the elected Chairman of the Project Area Committee (PAC) in 2008, a citizens committee to advise the Seaside Redevelopment Agency and the city of Seaside over eminent domain issues. He ran for a city council position for the proposed Town of Carmel Valley in 2009. --lawsamz@gmail.com

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# DISCOUNTS

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sex discrimination and preferences of one sex or gender over others,” according to the lawsuit, filed for the men by Newark attorney Greg Adler.

The Links Club offers ladies nights events Wednesdays.

### ‘Violates law’

The plaintiffs contend that the Link Club’s ladies nights violate several laws, including the Unruh Civil Rights Act — which prohibits discrimination based on sex, race, religion and other reasons. The event also goes against the state’s Alcoholic Beverage Control, which regulates alcohol licenses for businesses, since the agency prohibits discrimination against consumers, their lawsuit says.

Frye and St. George’s complaint was filed as a class action lawsuit on behalf of other men and non-binary people who visited Links Club and had to pay more than women did during ladies nights. They’re seeking \$4,000 for each offense, a court order preventing Links Club from offering ladies nights, an order requiring the bar’s employees to undergo “diversity and antidiscrimination training,” and other damages.

“There were hundreds of customers whom” Links Club “treated unequally by being charged different prices for golf simulator services and/or alcoholic beverages based solely on customers’ sex,” according to the complaint, which lists Links Clubs owner April Montgomery as a defendant. Montgomery did not respond to a message from The Pine Cone seeking comment.

Also named as a defendant is the Carmel Chamber of Commerce, which Frye and St. George say “aided in the discriminatory” ladies nights “by advertising for the

events on its website each week for several months.”

Their complaint includes a screenshot from the chamber’s website advertising “Ladies Night at Links Club” on Oct. 12, which offered \$20 hourly rentals for its golf simulators “plus drink and food discounts for the ladies all day long!”

### Precedent?

Both men have experience in filing gender discrimination lawsuits in California, according to news reports.

Frye and St. George in October 2021 sued a Visalia hotel for holding a women-only karaoke night, according to the Valley Voice. In 2017, the Times of San Diego reported that St. George filed a lawsuit against comedian Iliza Shlesinger for holding a woman-only show. In 2018, he filed suit against Ladies Get Paid, a women’s business organization, for excluding men from events in San Diego and Santa Monica, MarketWatch reported.

In the 1985 California Supreme Court case *Koire v. Metro Car Wash*, the court found that businesses that treat people unequally based on sex, including charging male patrons more than female patrons for the same thing, violated the Unruh Civil Rights Act. Frye and St. George cite the case in their lawsuit.

Despite the apparent unambiguity in the ruling and in anti-discrimination laws, a quick Google search for “ladies nights California” yields dozens of businesses up and down the state — including the Links Club — that offer such promotions.

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## Treacherous sidewalk on San Carlos gets fix

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE BUMPY stretch of brick sidewalk that tripped up many pedestrians — and injured several — on San Carlos south of Ocean has been repaired, and the public works department is dedicating more crews to fixing up other tricky spots throughout downtown.

Public works director Bob Harary announced Sept. 30 that work schedules have been modified “so that there now are, and may always be, sidewalk repairs made every workday indefinitely,” and planning director Brandon Swanson commented that he’d seen two crews working on problem areas downtown that very morning.

### Tree roots to blame

He also commented that the “wobbly sidewalks” are mostly caused by tree roots, and for a city that loves trees, that’s going to be an ongoing problem. “There’s a reason we have this high-heel-permit thing,” he said, referring to the famous ordinance intended to protect the city from liability if someone trips and falls while wearing stilettos.

“We have people from time to time who have a stumble. If you see a sidewalk that needs some love, let us know,” Swanson said. “We love our trees. Unfortunately, the byproduct of that is we do have some sidewalks that can get a little out of control.”

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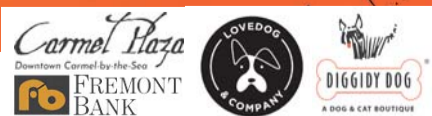
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# TREES

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Roy Thomas said after the Aug. 29 tree removal. Katherine Shaw called the tree removal “heartbreaking murder.”

The contractor, Community Tree Service, also cut most of the limbs of a large Monterey cypress on Scenic around the same time, public works director Bob Harary said at the Oct. 13 meeting.

The city received no notice any of that tree the work was going to be done, according to Harary, but it was supposed to.

PG&E officials said the pines and cypress were identified during routine inspections of power lines. Under state law, they said, tree work to protect power lines is exempt from local ordinances — even in a town where people have been required to modify their houses to make way for trees — and the company inspects roughly 100,000 miles of overhead power lines every year, frequently finding trees that need to be pruned or removed altogether. The aim is to avoid not only outages, but to help prevent fires sparked by power lines, as happened in the 2018 fire that killed 85 people and destroyed more than 18,000 structures in Paradise.

### Which state laws win?

Following the outcry, city administrator Chip Rerig asked PG&E to stop performing tree work in the city for now, other than what must be done to avoid outages, according to Harary.

The city attorney’s office advised that laws passed by the California Public Utilities Commission preempt local ordinances where power companies and other utilities are concerned, but the coastal commission disagrees, he said.

After someone anonymously complained to the coastal commission that the city was “indiscriminately cutting down trees,” a Central Coast District enforcement officer concluded the city isn’t doing anything wrong, but PG&E might be.

Because the entire city is in the state’s Coastal Zone and is therefore subject to the Coastal Act, “the city is well within its rights to require permits and mitigation for tree removals or any other development that PG&E or other utilities propose to carry out within the city,” the officer said in a letter quoted by Harary.

“I followed up with my colleagues who are more familiar with PG&E, and I just wanted to make you aware that PG&E is absolutely required to comply with the Coastal Act and its permitting requirements,” the officer wrote.

### How it’s supposed to work

While residents weren’t notified the Monte Verde trees were going to be cut down, that’s not usually the case, according to Harary. Typically, PG&E sends a list of proposed tree work to city forester Sara Davis, who inspects the trees, tags them if they’re going to be removed so residents know, and asks the company to consider pruning instead of removal if she believes the targeted tree is healthy. She inspects the work when it’s done, and public works hauls the logs and debris away.

“This procedure may be unique to the City of Carmel,” Harary said.

He also noted that “PG&E typically only removes the portion of a tree until it can no longer come in contact with the power lines,” resulting in “large, 30-foot stumps being left behind alongside a pile of wood.” Many of those stumps have phone and cable lines attached to them and can be found throughout town.

But during the past five years, PG&E and the city “have come to an agreement that trees in Carmel-by-the-Sea will be removed to the ground as a courtesy,” he said, and the company also promised to remove all the debris, “but that practice has been increasingly rare as of late.”

### Services offered

Scott Carlton, vegetation manager for PG&E, told commissioners the company is not mandated to notify anyone when its contractors are going to cut trees down, but for the sake of customer service, it does.

“We don’t want to surprise people by having one of our contractor trucks show up out of the blue and start cutting a tree,” he said.

Carlton also said PG&E’s arborists aren’t required to remove tree debris, whether on public or private property, but they sometimes will as a show of “good faith.”

“It’s a service we provide, knowing that it’s a hardship when we’re cutting a 34-inch-diameter dead tree at someone’s house,” and the resident doesn’t have the capacity to deal with the pieces left behind, he said.

While PG&E and Davis typically have “an overabundance” of communication, Carlton said the company mistakenly forgot to give Davis the list of work that included the Monte Verde and Scenic trees. Around the same time, a PG&E contractor cut down five trees on Santa Rita that Davis knew about and had marked for removal so residents in the area wouldn’t be surprised.

Commissioners did not discuss the legal issues, but commissioner Brian Sours said communication between the utility and the city is critical.

“We have a process,” Davis responded. “This is the only list I haven’t gotten.”

New commissioner Kelly Brezoczky said the incident appeared to be a one-time error,

not a practice, and chair JC Myers said he doesn’t believe the matter needs further attention or action.

No one from the public spoke about it.



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PG&E forgot to tell city officials these two large Monterey pines on Monte Verde were going to be cut down in late August to keep them from falling on power lines, that’s all.

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## DINING

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If outdoor dining is terminated on Fisherman's Wharf, Brickman predicted it would cause 30-40 percent of workers there to lose their jobs, and cause the restaurants to lose 30 percent of their sales. "Outdoor dining has really helped some of them survive," she suggested.

Brickman noted that some scenes from the hit television show, "Big Little Lies," were filmed on the wharf and featured outside diners. She said the film shoot generated lots of positive publicity — and wouldn't have been possible without outdoor dining.

### Is city being singled out?

During the Monterey City Council hearing, council member Dan Albert asked if Monterey is being singled out by the coastal commission. "There are a lot of wharfs up and down the West Coast," Albert observed. "Are we being picked on? Are we the only ones?"

City manager Hans Uslar didn't directly respond to either question. "We feel their code enforcement arm is paying special attention to the City of Monterey," he said.

Council member Ed Smith also spoke out against the coastal commission's stance, and called the process of

applying for a coastal development permit onerous and expensive. He said the application fee is \$7,500, and the process could take as long as two years, with no guarantee the request would be approved. He also noted that an encroachment permit will be required.

Additionally, Smith reported that more than 1,400 people have signed a petition opposing the removal of outside seating at the wharf.

"It's important for the city not to lose outdoor dining," he added.

### 'A real head-scratcher'

Mayor Clyde Roberson said he and his wife visited the wharf recently to see what the coastal commission was concerned about, and he came away believing the site is more accessible than ever. "It's a real head-scratcher," Roberson said.

Back on April 26, the city notified restaurants on the wharf that the coastal commission was giving them a little more than two weeks to end outdoor seating.

"All outdoor seating without coastal development permits will need to be removed no later than Monday, May 16, 2022, to comply with the coastal commission direction," the letter read.

On May 10, the city sent out another letter informing restaurants that the coastal commission was giving them until the end of the year to take away the outside seating.



### Jean White

1940 — 2022

A First Lady of Carmel

Longtime resident and community volunteer Jean White, wife of former Carmel Mayor Ken White, passed away peacefully after a long illness surrounded by her loving family.

Born Jeanette Rae McCann in Stockton, California she was the youngest of Thaddeus and Edna McCann's three daughters.

A graduate of Chico State University, Jean's outstanding athletic abilities earned her a special award in the University's Hall of Fame. Her athleticism was further demonstrated on the dance floor where she encouraged a young colleague, Ken, to become her dance partner. He did, and they eventually danced their way into marriage in 1961.

A teacher by profession, Jean taught at what is now Sunset Center when it was a middle school. Her love of teaching went beyond school hours as she and Ken welcomed young students to live in their home whose parents were transferred from Fort Ord.

Volunteer activities and community services were a mainstay of Jean's life. She was co-founder of the St. Bernard, an organization dedicated to the welfare of seniors which received a California state award. She was asked to organize a fundraising group to support the Sunset Community and Cultural Center and founded the Friends of the Sunset Foundation. She helped organize the Natural Childbirth Procedure in the Peninsula.

As a member of the Cultural Commission, Jean worked on issues related to the preservation of the Forest Theater and the Scout House. She was a member of the auxiliary at CHOMP and the Carmel Woman's Club.

When not volunteering, Jean looked forward to spending time at the family's summer home in Donner Lake. Other travels with Ken included trips to England, Scotland, Ireland, France Portugal, Hungary, Australia and New Zealand.

Although gone from our physical sight, loving memories of Jean's gracious spirit live on in the hearts and minds of family, friends and a grateful community. She leaves behind husband Ken, daughter Stacey Todd (Gary), son Michael (Martha), grandchildren Wyatt, Gary, Patrick, Ellen, Sophia, Sarah and great-grandchild Colter. The family wishes to express its grateful thanks to Sofia Loloma who provided Jean with exceptionally loving care during her long illness.

**A memorial service for Jean will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 29 at the Carmel Presbyterian Church, Ocean and Junipero in Carmel. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Friends of Sunset Foundation, PO Box CC, Carmel 93921.**

### LESLIE SILVER SNORF

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Leslie Silver Snorf, 80, of Carmel, died peacefully on October 12 in the company of her family following a brief, brave fight against leptomenigeal cancer.

Leslie was born on July 12, 1942, in Chicago, Illinois to Arnold and Doris Silver. From her father — who boxed his way through the Great Depression before putting himself through night school to earn an MBA, and rose from driving trucks for a department store to being one of its vice-presidents — Leslie learned the value of toughness, resilience and authenticity. From her mother — who worked for decades as a hairdresser but who shone brightest as a gifted stage actor — Leslie received impeccable comic timing, limitless social grace and the power of hope.

After a childhood spent in a multi-generational home in Rogers Park, she attended high school in suburban Arlington Heights. At Grinnell College, where she studied Spanish literature, she met Bill Hicks. They married in 1965, moved to San Francisco, and had two sons, Kevin and David. In 1970, the family moved to Pebble Beach, where Bill's parents — John and Regina Hicks — and Bill's paternal grandmother, Zuleika Hicks, had lived since 1964.

Following her divorce in 1977, Leslie worked at Dansk and I. Magnin in Carmel before becoming a stockbroker at Dean Witter in Monterey; she finished her financial services career with Kidder Peabody in Carmel. In these years she took great pride in teaching a popular financial literacy and investment course at Monterey Peninsula College.

Leslie married Dr. Charles Snorf in 1987. They were perfectly suited to one another, and loved each other deeply. Following their respective retirements, they traveled the world. Charlie's commitment to Orthopedics Overseas took them to extended service residencies on St. Lucia and in Vietnam and Bhutan. On each of these trips, Leslie taught English and played key roles in hospital offices. It was during this time that Leslie developed a passion for civic engagement and began to fully devote herself to local board service. Over the next 40 years, the Monterey Rape Crisis Center, United Way, Hospice, Carmel's Harrison Memorial Public Library, Big Sur Land Trust, Sunset Center and Montage were all beneficiaries of her expertise. Board colleagues valued her wisdom, vision, generous philanthropy, and faith in the power of organizations to make a lasting difference in people's lives.

In all of these enterprises, Leslie proved particularly expert at helping people in conflict find common ground, and she specialized in asking the simple questions that helped the group stay grounded and focused. Her many accomplishments and contributions in public service — inspired by her profound commitment to serving the people and protecting the resources of the Central Coast — are too extensive to fully recount here. Suffice it to say that people were always grateful to have Leslie on their team.

Leslie's friends — a distinctively large and intergenerational group — will remember her generosity of spirit, unrelenting optimism, selfless loyalty and good (sometimes subversive!) humor. A significant subset of them will recall her as one of their best friends — just as she counted them. A gifted cook, she loved hosting elegant, intimate dinner parties marked by spirited conversations, laughter and joy. Invitations to "Snorf Acres" in Carmel or "Snorf Valley" in Idaho were treasured by those who received them. She loved her investment club, meditation group, book club, brisk morning walks around Carmel Point and sharing cartoons from The New Yorker.

Her family will forever be guided by the lessons she never stopped striving to embody, such as: never show up to someone's house empty-handed; be sure to send a thank you note after receiving a gift; sherry, brandy and vermouth improve both soup and leftovers; straightening the house before you leave for errands is a gift to your future self; working the New York Times crossword is meant to be a solo activity; and always use a placemat ("because this is a family, not a bike gang"). Her sons fondly recall her defining qualities as a mother: She was funny, fierce, wise, generous, and unconditionally supportive.

Leslie is preceded in death by her parents and husband. She is survived by her sons, Kevin (Cornelia) and David (Erica); her granddaughters, Zuleika and Olivia; her stepdaughters, Susan Lansbury (Jim), Cynthia Livermore (Dick) and Caroline Akcan (Zekai) and their children; and her brother, Henry (Marsha).

Notes of condolence may be sent to P.O. Box 322, Pebble Beach, CA 93953. In keeping with Leslie's wishes, those wishing to make memorial gifts are encouraged to consider giving generously to the Carmel Public Library Foundation (<https://carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org/>) or to the Sun Valley Music Festival (<https://www.svmusicfestival.org/give-now/>).

*A celebration of Leslie's life will be held in the spring.*





# GARBAGE

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businesses on what is trash, what is recyclable, and what goes in the organics bin," she said.

The cities of Carmel, Del Rey Oaks, Marina, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Sand City and Seaside, along with the Pebble Beach Community Services District, collaborated with the trash hauler, GreenWaste Recovery, to hire auditors from Blue Strike Environmental to start checking people's trash, Martelet said. The total cost is \$7,042 for this year's monitoring, with Carmel's share approximately \$415.

The auditors will soon be in town to "document visible

contamination in the carts," she said. But they won't sort through any open or closed garbage bags "in order to maintain privacy," and all inspections will be conducted in the street as the bins are picked up and emptied by Green-Waste Recovery workers.

"The auditors started conducting the lid flips this week on the Peninsula, although they have not started in Carmel yet," Martelet said Wednesday.

The lid flippers will be going through trash in all the Peninsula cities during the next couple of weeks and should be done by early November, according to Martelet. She said they'll inspect cans at just 50 homes and businesses in the city — "not every container."

## *Cara Lea Spear*

1990 – 2022

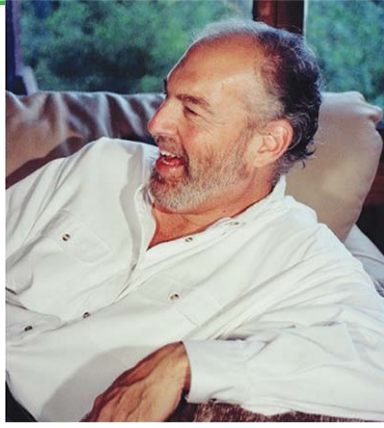
CARA LEA SPEAR WAS BORN ON JULY 9, 1990, AND PASSED ON JUNE 26, 2022.

BORN AT COMMUNITY HOSPITAL OF THE MONTEREY PENINSULA AND RAISED IN MONTEREY, SHE WAS A GRADUATE OF MONTE VISTA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IN WATSONVILLE, CA.

CARA WORKED IN SOUTHWEST TRUCK SERVICE'S FAMILY BUSINESS FOR OVER 10 YEARS.

SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER FATHER, ROBERT SPEAR; HER MOTHER, LISA SPEAR AND HER SISTER, ERIN SPEAR.

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## JONATHAN WILLIAM SAPP

Jonathan William Sapp, 73, of Carmel-by-the-Sea, passed away peacefully on October 11, 2022. Born to David and Joyce Sapp, he is survived by his daughters, Meghan and Briana; his siblings, Joseph, Jeffree and Jordana; and cousin, Roselyn.

Gifted with intelligence and a curious and optimistic spirit, he was an avid reader, lifelong learner and ardent entrepreneur. His daughters often called him a walking encyclopedia and were amazed by his wealth of knowledge and ability to talk to anyone about anything. Born in LA, he lived in San Diego, Honolulu, Cannes, San Francisco, Walnut Creek, Arroyo Grande, Menlo Park, and eventually settled in his beloved Carmel where he lived for over 20 years. An unofficial ambassador for the city, Jonathan had an active social life and enjoyed meeting friends at Cypress Inn, art galleries and community events. A volunteer bell ringer, he enjoyed sharing the special noon tradition with tourists and locals alike.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that those who are able make a donation to the Carmel Public Library Foundation or Big Sur Land Trust.



## Dušanka Kornelia Morissette

(May 15, 1934 - Sept. 23, 2022)

A Pacific Grove resident since 1969, Dušanka worked for the Monterey Peninsula School District as a secretary for 20 years.

After retiring, she volunteered for the California Highway Patrol office for another 14 years. She also volunteered for the Sally Griffin Center in Pacific Grove.

Proud of her Hungarian heritage, Dušanka served on the board of directors for the local Hungarian-American Club, including two terms as president.

She is survived by her loving son, Jason; his wife, Erin; and her daughter, Reed Robbins. She was preceded in death by her husband, Norman LeRoy Morissette, and her son, Robert Reed.

In lieu of flowers, you can make a donation to the Sally Griffin Center.

Services are overseen by Paul Mortuary.



## MARJORIE (MARGE) TAYLOR

Marjorie (Marge) Taylor, 87, passed away September 11th at her home surrounded by her family. She was a strong woman who always took whatever life threw her way and gave it back double. She was fiercely loyal — once she loved you it was forever no matter how the tides changed. She enjoyed spending time with her family, vacations in Hawaii, long road trips, camping in Big Sur and taking the twins to the movies. She always made sure everyone was taken care of, never missed a birthday and took great pride in her baking for friends and family. Marge will be missed by all who knew her.

Marge is survived by "Her Love," Chuck Vout; her former husband, Charlie Higuera; her children, Dan Beck (Cheryl), Kate Matuz (George), Gary Higuera (Joney) and Karen Staples (Brett); Chuck's children, Valerie, Mike Vout (Carol), Elizabeth Beuche (Kurt), Christine Pauloff (Mark) and Curtis Vout. Grandchildren, Gary Jr., David Cardoza (Jamey), John Mason (Kate-Marie), Kristy Mason (Wes), Ryan Beck (Maddy), Ashley Beck and many great-grandchildren. Her siblings, Mary Ellen Ware, Joan Dockendorf and Fred Hodder. Along with countless nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by her late husband, John Taylor.

Her celebration of life is set for 1 to 4 p.m. on October 29th at the Elks Lodge in Monterey.

## LINDA G. MCINTYRE

July 13, 1949 – October 5, 2022

San Juan Bautista CA

Linda G. McIntyre, 73, of San Juan Bautista, passed away on October 5, 2022, as the result of a tragic car accident. Linda will be sadly missed by her husband, Michael McIntyre, and her extended family and many friends.

Linda was a kind and caring woman of faith, joining her husband, Michael, in their love of the Lord. She lived her life with determination and passion. She was a dynamic force with a velvet hammer! Linda loved to talk and was very articulate; she was also an attentive listener. She asked the hard questions and got the job done.

Linda G. Wright was born in Southern California on July 13, 1949. She spent her early years in the LA area. Prior to coming to the Monterey Peninsula in the late 1980s, Linda attended college and passed the California State Bar. She worked for a time as a corporate attorney.

Always politically interested and involved, Linda served as a member of the Marina City Council from 1990-93. She was a legislative assistant to Bruce McPherson of Santa Cruz, when he served as a State Assemblyman from 1993-96 and State Senator from 1996-2000.

In 2019, Linda retired from her position as harbormaster and general manager of the Moss Landing Harbor District, after managing the harbor she loved for 20 years, from 2000 to 2019.

Riding Harleys with her husband, Mike, was a favorite pastime. With her usual determination, she became an excellent rider in a short time after she met Mike. They have both owned some beautiful bikes. Special trips together included a cross-country ride to Washington, DC to honor POW/MIAs. Their group was welcomed by veterans and church groups in small towns across America. They also attended motorcycle rallies in Reno, NV and Sturgis, SD. They were married at Mt. Rushmore on August 5, 2003, during the annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally.

Linda lost her left leg in a freak motorcycle accident on September 28, 2009. She spent the rest of her life in a wheelchair or using a walker and learned how to "do life" very well with only one leg. She thanked God every day that her life had been spared.

Mike and Linda have always loved their kitties. Sammy and Jax are the current members of the household with all rights and privileges! Whatever cats enter their lives are cared for and loved. There is a little outdoor feeding station by the back door where any cats are welcome to stop by for a meal. Linda named it "the CATeteria."

Linda McIntyre is survived by her husband, Michael, of San Juan Bautista; sister, April Wright, of Whittier; brother, LaVon Wright, of Las Vegas; brother-in-law, Jeffrey McIntyre and wife Mary, of Reno; mother-in-law, Elizabeth McIntyre of Walnut Creek; niece, Jessica Dickson (husband Justin and their children Michael and David) of Honolulu and "step family" Gail McIntyre, Gary and Cathy Powers, Suzy and Dave Morgan, Christopher Powers and Jamie Lee Powers. Linda was an inspiration to all of us. We will miss her dearly.

Linda was predeceased by her parents, Richard and Unid Wright, father-in-law L. W. 'Mac' McIntyre, son Ian Wright, nephew Jonathan McIntyre and sister Alana "Tina" Wright.

No services are planned at this time. A private memorial will be held.

Memorial donations may be made to the Monterey County SPCA or charity of the donor's choice.





# DESAL

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dunes would be piped to a desal facility near the city, where the water would be treated.

The coastal commission's report about the Dana Point project said the agency proposing it "designed the facility to include several features that avoid or reduce potentially adverse impacts to coastal resources. The facility would use slant wells to pull in seawater from beneath the ocean

floor. This type of subsurface intake completely avoids impacts to marine life during facility operations."

The staff report went on to say that the Dana Point desal operation would also "co-locate" discharge from the operation with that of an existing wastewater treatment facility, "which substantially reduces the overall effects that would occur with two separate discharges." Cal Am's desal plant is also designed to send its brine discharge to Monterey One Water — the sewer district — for treatment.

"Importantly, the California Ocean Plan requirements related to seawater desalination facilities identify these two design features as preferred methods for desalination



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A slant well Cal Am built in the Marine Dunes in 2015 to test the feasibility of using such wells, which are required by the coastal commission, for a Monterey Peninsula desal plant.

intakes and discharges" the coastal commission said, "and this [Dana Point] desalination project would be the first in the state to incorporate these Ocean Plan preferences."

On Oct. 5, Cal Am announced it would pursue a significantly smaller desal plant at first, which it said would be less expensive and minimize environmental impacts. The company will outline the so-called "phased approach" to coastal commissioners when they convene in Salinas Nov. 17 to consider the proposal. Cal Am has also proposed extending the length of the four slant wells by at least 1,000 feet.

### 'Enough until 2030'

The Dana Point desal plant, which would produce up to 5 million gallons per day, is similarly sized to Cal Am's proposal, which would have an initial capacity of 4.8 million gallons per day and provide enough water for the Peninsula, the company maintains, until 2030. Cal Am has proposed increasing the capacity up to 6.8 million gallons per day when more water is needed.

While Cal Am is a private company, the agency behind the Dana Point project, South Coast Water District, is a government agency. Also different is the cost. While Dana Point's project is slated to cost \$140 million, Cal Am's is estimated to be more than \$300 million.

Coastal commission staffer Tom Luster told The Pine Cone this week that the staff report for Cal Am's project — which will make a recommendation for approval or denial — would be released Oct. 28 or Nov. 4.



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## Adrienne Shupin Herman

Adrienne Shupin Herman peacefully passed away from pancreatic cancer with her daughters, Jessica Herman and Abbey Leonard, by her side on October 17<sup>th</sup>.



Adrienne was a Bay Area native, born in Oakland and raised in Piedmont while spending much of her childhood at her grandparents' chicken ranch in Petaluma. Her time on the ranch was very formative, helping her establish a strong love for animals at a very young age. Her extended family was committed to supporting those in need and instilled a deep sense of compassion and a drive toward generosity in Adrienne.

Adrienne was the older sister to a beloved developmentally disabled brother, Gary, who predeceased her in 2008. Growing up with a brother with special needs made her uniquely aware of the value of every individual.

As a teenager, Adrienne began teaching her brother and other disabled children how to swim. This formed the foundation of her lifelong work in special education and educational psychology. She ultimately received a B.A. in psychology from UCLA and, much later, a master's in educational psychology from CSUEB. While she dabbled in many areas of this work, she ultimately found great joy in combining her work in psychology with her love of animals and spent the last 13 years supporting animals and their humans as an animal communicator/therapist.

Adrienne raised her two daughters in Piedmont as a single mother while working and going to school and was also deeply involved as a volunteer at Oakland's Temple Sinai and the Piedmont schools. After her children left home, Adrienne fulfilled her lifelong dream of living in Carmel where she happily resided for the past 20+ years.

In recent years, Adrienne's biggest joy was becoming a grandmother to Marcello and Noa Leonard. She especially loved sharing the experience with Marcello and Noa's other four grandparents who became remarkable friends. Together, the extended family has enjoyed many experiences together including trips to Disneyland and many soccer games and birthday parties.

Adrienne was a truly adored mother, grandmother, godmother and friend. She always made time for people and sought ways to alleviate suffering. She was never truly aware of the important impact she made in the lives of so many.

Adrienne is survived by her daughters, Jessica Herman and Abbey Leonard; her son-in-law, Tony Leonard; her grandchildren, Marcello and Noa Leonard; loads of Bakar, Kurtzman, and Shupin cousins, and many very dear friends, old and new.

A memorial will be held in Carmel in the coming months. In lieu of flowers, the family requests support for the following causes that were deeply meaningful to Adrienne: The A. Herman Pet Therapist Dermatology Resident Support Endowment at UC Davis and the Shupin Community at Jewish Family and Children Services of San Francisco.



## Lois Edwina Rockefeller

Lois Rockefeller returned home to her father, our Lord God, on October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at age 88 after a long battle with crippling rheumatoid arthritis.

Lois Rockefeller was born on January 6<sup>th</sup> 1934, to her loving parents, Edward Lewis Rockefeller and Elizabeth Judson Rockefeller, in New York City, where she grew up with her two sisters, Hulda and Ann Lee.

Lois's beautiful smile, kindness, and inner strength were an inspiration to all who knew her.

Lois is survived by her loving sister, Ann Lee and Doug Hamnes and their family; her faithful children, Merilee and Joseph 'Michael' Kolpaczyk, Nancy and Ross Genger, Kenneth Rockefeller; two adoring grandsons, Josef and Jakob Kolpaczyk, and granddaughter Morgan Rockefeller.

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# ROBBER

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Highlander on Highway 1 in Marina 25 minutes later and notified Carmel P.D.

Martis went to the scene and interviewed the two people in the car, one of whom was identified as Juarez, based in part on the fact he was wearing the same clothing seen in the video.

While the vehicle contained no jewelry, officers found a beanie and a black backpack also seen in the surveillance footage, and Juarez was covered with glass shards.

“One of the other occupants in the car had an injury on his arm that was consistent with coming into contact with broken glass,” Martis told the court. “So we believed, based on the fine particle dust that was visible, that those may be glass fragments contained or embedded in” Juarez’ clothing as a result of the Fourtane robbery.

After the officers were dismissed from the courtroom, prosecutor Meredith Sillman argued Juarez should be held

to answer on three counts of robbery because the store contained three employees, all of whom were terrified, at the time. She could even add a fourth for the security guard, she noted.

### ‘Visibly shaken’

Sillman acknowledged the two women in the bathroom never came in contact with Juarez and his cohorts, but they nonetheless feared for their lives, while Carrie Ann was “visibly shaken and beside herself” when she spoke with officers afterward.

“It would not make sense for us to require them to go put themselves in a state of danger and confront those suspects in order to get a charge of robbery,” Sillman said. “Their fear was real. They were afraid. They were crying.”

Koppekin countered that Juarez couldn’t be charged with use of a deadly weapon because he didn’t wield the sledgehammer “in such a manner to be deadly or dangerous upon the person who is on the receiving end of the crime.” What Juarez and the others did at Fourtane wasn’t robbery, he argued, it was burglary.

He referred to the women who had locked themselves in the bathroom as “invisible victims,” since Juarez and the others didn’t even know they were there.

“I know this is a close case. I know the standard of proof for a preliminary hearing is incredibly low, especially relative to that of a jury trial for a criminal case,” he acknowledged.

### Defining robbery

The judge sided with Sillman, however. After pointing out that robbery is “the felonious taking of personal property in the possession of another from his or her person or immediate presence and against his or her will accomplished by means of force or fear — not force and fear,” the judge concluded the “evidence of fear is enough to sustain a conviction.”

“There is sufficient cause to believe that the defendant is guilty of those offenses based on the standard that is required for a preliminary hearing,” the judge said.

The next hearing in the case is set for Oct. 25 before Monterey County Superior Court Judge Jennifer O’Keefe.

## Longtime BSLT official honored by county

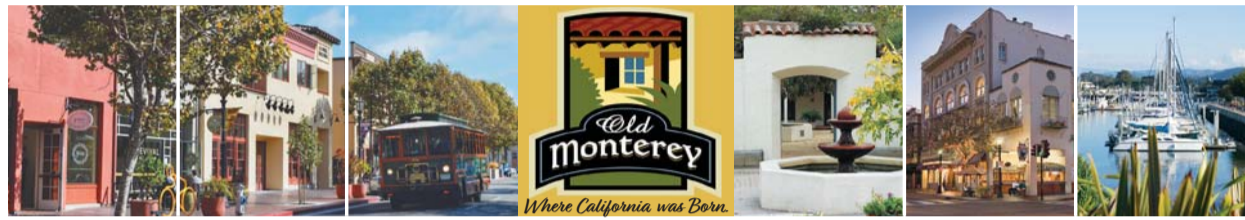
PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE COUNTY board of supervisors honored Rachel Saunders of the Big Sur Land Trust with a resolution recognizing her achievements Oct. 11.

In September, the Nonprofit Alliance of Monterey County presented Saunders with its Unsung Hero Award.

The BSLT’s director of conservation, Saunders has been with the Monterey-based land conservation group since 2007.

“She is so deserving of this recognition because she takes the time to connect with, listen to, and learn from everyone she encounters,” the BSLT said. “She is a deeply caring and thoughtful person who wants to ensure that all voices are heard, and all perspectives are considered. As a result, Rachel’s stellar work has a profound impact on our Big Sur Land Trust team, her other colleagues, and the entire community.”



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## DELIGHT TRAVIS HRUSA

Delight Travis Hrusa passed away on Monday, September 12th, at her home in Carmel-by-the-Sea at the age of 98.

She was born Margaret Adeline Delight Travis on January 31st, 1924, at St. Francis Hospital in San Francisco, to Mabel and Ernest Travis. Delight spent her early years attending St. Cecilia’s school and was in the first graduating class to complete grades 1-8. Delight’s father worked for the Canadian Pacific Railroad and in 1938 was transferred to Los Angeles, where she finished her schooling.



In September 1942, she married Kenneth Anderson. He was then drafted as a pilot, flying P-38’s. That November, the war made a young widow of Delight.

Delight then attended a music conservatory in LA, where she studied and taught the piano until 1949. She was also known to play the drums with local jazz bands in the LA area.

It was upon moving back to San Francisco that she was reunited with her childhood neighbor and schoolmate, Antone Hrusa, Jr. (Tony). Tony and Delight were married in June of 1952. By 1958, when they moved their young family to Carmel-by-the-Sea, they shared three sons. Their youngest child, a daughter, was born in Carmel. Delight and Tony were married for 44 years until his passing in 1996.

It was in Carmel that Delight started a childcare business out of their home, which she ran from 1962 until 1990. She provided care to many young children and several times took care of a second generation of babies. Such a staple was her care that, upon her last “graduation” of tots, the local news came in to film the affair.

Anyone who knew Delight knew her love of sewing. Her handmade quilts were sought-after baby shower gifts, and her grandchildren, great-grandkids, and even their dolls, all sported her custom dresses, bonnets, bibs and jumpers. Always working on some piece of her art form, she also mastered needlepoint, cross stitch, and crewel. She donated her time to the school’s many fundraisers, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and countless charities for animals, kitties especially!

Delight was especially dedicated to supporting charities such as the ASPCA and Best Friends Animal Sanctuary. She many times adopted stray or abandoned cats, homing over 20 kitties during her lifetime. Her love of kitties, and her personification of them, has been passed on through the Hrusa family genes.

While she enjoyed her alone time, her gardening, her records, and a good mystery novel, Delight had consistent visitors, from both near and far. She would always make time for a visit, and most likely a pot of tea. She made many friends during her time on the Monterey Peninsula, and welcomed them into her home.

Delight is survived by her four children, Fred Hrusa, Christopher Hrusa (Lizeth), Timothy Hrusa (Marian), and Claudia Hrusa Geller (Paul); eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren and copious great-grandkitties!

In lieu of flowers and cards, the Hrusa family would ask that donations be made to Best Friends Animal Sanctuary, where you can help carry on Delight’s love for animals, kitties especially!



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## Urban Lounge welcomes Big Surcus

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

A CREATIVE partnership between a belly dancer and a fire dancing wordsmith that has evolved into a one-of-kind stage show, Big Surcus performs Saturday at the Urban Lounge in Monterey.

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audiences with their unique mix of cabaret, burlesque, belly dance, pyrotechnics, fashion, martial arts, poetry, mermaids, bubbles, aerial acrobatics and even swords,” say the events promoters.

Complementing the show will be a DJ dance party. Showtime is 7 p.m. Tickets are \$20. The Urban Lounge is located at 1425 Munras Ave.

## Halloween Spooktacular at YMCAs

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

CENTRAL COAST YMCA will offer “chills and thrills” at its Monterey Peninsula location at 600 Camino El Estero, as well as at other sites in Salinas, Hollister and Watsonville, Friday, Oct. 21, from

6:30 to 8 p.m.

Spooktacular events include trick-or-treat stations, arts and crafts, a costume parade and other family fun. And everything is free.

For more information, call (831) 757-4633 or visit [centralcoastymca.org](http://centralcoastymca.org).

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### REMEMBERING KIMBA

February 2012 - October 2022

KIMBA VON KAP KARTHAGO crossed the rainbow bridge on Tuesday, October 4, 2022, with her mom and dad by her side. She was 10 years and eight months old. Kimba's passing was very unexpected and resulted from a ruptured hemangiosarcoma only a few hours after her lunchtime walk.

Kimba was born in Germany and descended from a well-known line of competitive sporting dogs. Her father was German national IGP3 champion, a prestigious title that Kimba's brother went on to win just four years later.

Kimba wasn't into sports and in a stroke of luck, her human dad brought her to California when she was only nine weeks old. Upon arrival, she met her adopted big brother, Andy, another German canine expatriate who had been with Kimba's parents for almost four years. From that day on, Kimba made it her mission to sabotage or interrupt anything that Andy did. When she did not steal his toys or blocked him from getting to them in the swimming pool, she fought him for his sticks on the beach or during hikes in the hills. Kimba loved being with Andy.



Later in life, Kimba developed a serious passion for pine cones. Not a single walk was wasted without looking for them. In fact, what Kimba's parents considered hikes were actually pine cone expeditions. Kimba was a great judge of pine cone quality, only the nicest specimens were taken all the way home. If you have ever seen Kimba in or around Carmel, she most likely carried a beautiful pine cone.

After her big brother Andy crossed the rainbow bridge last year, Kimba became even more attached to her human family. She liked to keep her people close and showered them with sweetness and affection.

Kimba is once again with Andy as they are united in heaven. She is survived by her human parents Steve and Sandra.

Kimba, you left us too soon. You will be forever missed and forever remembered.

Until we meet again,  
**WE LOVE YOU**



# Funds for kids with drug problems is helping, Montage says

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

IN HONOR of National Youth Substance Use Prevention Month, Montage Health Foundation and Ohana — Montage Health’s youth mental and behavioral health program — are celebrating their first year of progress since receiving a five-year grant from the White House Drug-Free Communities Support Program to prevent and reduce youth substance use, the organization announced this week.

In September 2021, Montage and Ohana were informed they would be given \$125,000 per year in taxpayer funds for five years to build a coalition of community partners and address alcohol and drug use among youth in the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District.

“We want to see our children thriving in their lives, unencumbered by the weight of drug use,” Krista Reuther, assistant director of community health and prevention at Ohana said. “The White House grant gives us a way to further support youth by promoting drug use prevention strategies with adolescents, parents and our community.”

## SYMPATHY

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“Given the tree is fine right now and there’s no way to know if it will have an impact on the tree, and we’re a little late getting back to them on the stop-work order, maybe we cut the tree permit penalty in half,” Sours suggested.

Other commissioners voiced similar views, with chair JC Myers favoring Sours’ suggestion, and commissioner Sara Berling suggesting halving the cost of the depreciation, too.

The commission — including new members Kelly Brezoczky and Tamara Michie, who were presiding at their first meeting — unanimously voted to charge Montgomery \$2,783 in fees and penalties, and lift the stop-work order so construction at her house can resume.

## Nilla

Nilla is a big love bug who is happiest when getting belly rubs and soaking in lots of love from her people. This sweet girl is strong on leash but really appreciates being out and about on walks, so she will need a strong leash handler.

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# Stevenson golfer wins invitational, local teams prepare for season

STEVENSON AND Carmel have unfinished business as they prepare for the upcoming Central Coast Section Girls Golf Championships Nov. 1 at Laguna Seca Golf Ranch — but for very different reasons.

Stevenson golfers narrowly missed qualifying as a full

once again been the PCAL's most consistent golfer as a sophomore, entering the current week with a 9-hole stroke average of 38.0 and a season-best score of 35 at Quail Lodge. She has been medalist or co-medalist in every dual meet, not including Wednesday's match with Carmel.

Pacific Grove.

"Michelle is a tall lefty with an incredible attitude," McArthur said of Wang, who, like Iniakov, has the potential to play college golf at an NCAA Division I university. "She's also a player who can get off to a poor start but keeps her cool, sticks with it, and brings her game back."

Teammate Coco He, a freshman, arrived at Stevenson with significant golf experience — well acclimated to tournament golf — and brought a stroke average of 41.43 into the final week of dual-meet play. Her season-best score of 38 was recorded at Pacific Grove Golf Links.

No. 4 on the ladder is sophomore Siobhan "Shev" Ong, from Hong Kong, a player with a powerhouse swing.

## Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

team for the 2021 NorCal tournament, placing fourth at CCS, a tournament that sends its top three schools to the next level. Other golfers can qualify as individuals.

And Stevenson's top individual placer, Nikki Iniakov, tied for third place last fall with a score of 70 at CCS — dazzling, considering she was a freshman, but also disappointing, since a bogey on the final hole left her a stroke behind tournament runner-up Norah Yang of Castilleja (who also was a freshman), and two behind the champion, Bridget O'Keefe of Palo Alto (now at the University of Pennsylvania).

Carmel, on the other hand, came into the 2021 tournament as the No. 2 team qualifier, behind Stevenson, from the Pacific Coast Athletic League, but blew up badly at CCS, their highest placer, senior Elle Bohman, tied for 49th. Nobody qualified for NorCals.

The coaches at both schools are optimistic that a better experience is on the horizon for their players this year.

### PCAL tourney Tuesday

The appetizer — the PCAL's league tournament — is scheduled Tuesday, also at Laguna Seca, where Stevenson will be the favorite, and Carmel envisions a possible upset.

"I believe we have a good chance to be competitive," said Carmel coach Ross Kroeker. "It's a neutral course, and I also think we're more prepared for the 18-hole tournaments than we were a year ago."

It's a tall order. Stevenson's Iniakov, the defending league champion, has

### Iniakov won Tiger's event

Iniakov competes regularly in national junior golf tournaments, and on Oct. 10, she won the Tiger Woods TGR Invitational at Pebble Beach, with the world's greatest golfer looking on.

"Nikki is the longest hitter in our league and probably at every tournament we go to," Stevenson coach Jason McArthur said of Iniakov, whose swing coach is Patrick Parrish, 2017 Northern California PGA Teacher of the Year. "Her putting is better than last year, and his wedge play is very good. At this age, she already has pretty much everything a golfer can have."

Stevenson's No. 2 golfer, Michelle Wang, is a boarding student from Irvine, but one of four varsity Pirates who are natives of China.

She placed fifth at last year's PCAL tournament as a sophomore and came into the week with a 41.75 stroke average in league play and a season-best score of 38 at

### 'She'll blow your hair back'

"If you stand near her during a practice swing, she might blow your hair back," McArthur said. "She's 100 percent energy at all times and doesn't seem to wear out."

Erin Kang, a junior from Beijing, is a first-year Stevenson golfer who came on strong later in the season to solidify her spot as the Pirates' No. 5 player. Her season-best score of 41 was recorded at Ridgemark Golf Club

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PHOTOS/(LEFT) JASON MCARTHUR, (RIGHT) KERRY BEISER

Stevenson sophomore Nikki Iniakov (above left), lining up a putt on the 5th Hole at Spyglass Hill, placed third at CCS a year ago. Carmel's Anna Kroeker (above right) watches fellow senior Sophie Southard's iron shot at Quail Lodge in preparation for Tuesday's PCAL Championships at Laguna Seca Golf Ranch and the CCS tournament on Nov. 1 at the same site.

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# EMPTY

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Chakwin, called McAdams' proposal a "shiny object" that amounts to "discrimination against a class of property owners," and said he didn't care that other cities, such as Santa Cruz, have proposed the idea.

Adam Pinterits with the Monterey County Association of Realtors said addressing local and regional housing programs is a "top priority, but that a vacancy tax is not a solution."

### Empty home definition?

Councilwoman Amy Tomlinson, and others, said there were many questions surrounding what defines an "empty home" and how the city would determine and enforce such a tax.

"The numbers look good on paper, but I think the execution would be quite difficult," Tomlinson said.

Councilman Luke Coletti said the City

of Pacific Grove has a tough enough time enforcing the laws it already has on the books.

"We are implying we are going to increase affordable housing by directing all tax proceeds to an affordable housing program," Coletti said. "To do that, you would need to pass a special tax and that means you need to get a two-thirds vote. Getting a two-thirds vote in Pacific Grove is no easy task."

Resident Christie Thomas said the idea was the "wrong way to go about" funding housing projects, while resident Cari Rotoli, who moved to P.G. a few years ago, complained that her home is in an "empty neighborhood," and that she's "tired of seeing an empty house next to us." Thomas didn't say, though, if she agreed with McAdams' idea.

Real estate broker Darrin Tinsley was the only person to agree with McAdams' idea, noting that people who have owned homes in P.G. for a "very long time" have low property taxes, and that they "should have to pay some sort of small portion toward the running of the city."

## Students urged to apply for federal \$\$\$

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

JUST OVER half the students in Monterey County who are eligible for financial aid funded by federal taxpayers apply for it every year, according to the Monterey County Office of Education, which is encouraging local students to fill out applications for their share of the more than \$150 billion available for grants, work-study programs and loans for higher education.

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid, commonly known as FAFSA, "provides students access to financial aid and allows students and families to find a better path toward college affordability and earning a degree," according to the county office.

But only about 55 percent of eligible

Monterey County students apply for the aid, leaving a large amount of federal money "underutilized in our community."

### 'Priority on Salinas Valley'

United Way's Volunteer Education and College Assistance Alliance program seeks to increase the number of FAFSA and Dream Act applications submitted by high school students throughout the county, "with a priority focus on Salinas Valley first-generation college students."

The program is available to anyone who needs assistance applying. United Way is also recruiting student volunteers to help their peers, which counts toward their community service hours and bolsters their resumes.

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# Editorial

## Desal chases its tail

ACCORDING TO the state government, California has a critical shortage of affordable housing — so critical that single-family zoning had to be overturned and CEQA review bypassed to start getting some new housing built.

So drastic were the steps the governor and the Legislature took last year, you'd have to assume they meant it when they called the new laws they passed "historic" and urged they be implemented posthaste.

"The housing affordability crisis is undermining the California Dream for families across the state, and threatens our long-term growth and prosperity," Gov. Gavin Newsom said last year. "Making a meaningful impact on this crisis will take bold investments, strong collaboration across sectors and political courage from our leaders and communities to do the right thing and build housing for all."

But does that talk apply in the Monterey Peninsula? Because if does, somebody better start getting serious about our water supply. No water means no housing.

Our water shortage is an artifice that was created for the purpose of stopping development — a goal that has been magnificently fulfilled here over the last 30 years. From Seaside to the Highlands and from Carmel to mid-Valley, hundreds of potential homesites are virtually worthless because there's no water to build on them. And Gavin Newsom says we must create hundreds of new ones? Does he mean it?

We'll find out when the California Coastal Commission meets next month to decide whether to approve the desal plant Cal Am wants to build in Marina — a desal plant which will be absolutely essential if anything approaching the governor's housing mandate is to become reality.

Until recently, we would have called it a no-brainer that the coastal commission would reject the desal plant. They've paid lip service to the idea of desal over the years, and even pretended to pave the way for desal technology to be implemented to help secure the state's water supply far into the future. But for every step forward, there have been two steps back. First, the breakthrough idea was to co-locate desal plants at power stations, where plenty of electricity would be available and where existing ocean intakes and outfalls would obviate the need for desal plants to create new ones that could endanger sea life.

No sooner was the ink dry on that idea, though, that some genius in state government decided power plants would have to do away with their intakes and outfalls — so there went co-locating. But desal plants would have to get the source water from the ocean somehow, so another genius cooked up the idea of slant wells to draw water from beneath the ocean floor — an idea so clever the coastal commission promptly decided every desal plant would have to use it.

But almost immediately after the slant well concept had been enshrined in the coastal commission's rules, they started throwing all kinds of roadblocks in the way of anybody who actually tried to implement it — so much so that more than a dozen years after slant wells became a requirement, and despite dozens of proposals for desal plants up and down the state, the coastal commission last week approved the very first plant that would use slant wells, at Dana Point in Orange County.

Of course, the activists who oppose any sort of progress in Orange County are amateurs compared to our environmental zealots, and the battle at the coastal commission when it meets in Salinas Nov. 17 to consider our desal plant promises to be intense. But the real question won't just be the one on the surface — desal or no desal. The real question will be whether the state's housing mandates mean anything.

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### 'Misinformed and divisive'

Dear Editor,

We write in response to last week's letter, "Must Vote for Lawrence Samuels," which claims that a vote for his candidate will protect our students from those "who might harm them for political or sexual reasons."

There is no need to attempt to divide our community with the talking points of the national culture war, especially for political benefit. These comments, based on fear, are attempts to rip at the fabric of public education and further a narrative that our public schools are hurting our children.

Not only were the examples used in the letter not connected to Carmel Unified, but they are also isolated incidents and not the norm in schools across the nation. Campaigning for your candidate is one thing. Slandering those who teach and support our students while doing so is another.

We urge Mr. Brehmer to see for himself what is actually going on in Carmel Unified schools. If he does, he will see caring and supportive staff and standards-based instruction that is provided by highly qualified teachers, which prepares students to be productive, successful, and connected citizens, not the "insidious Marxist and transgender movements infecting our schools."

If, after learning the truth, he still chooses to vote for Mr. Samuels that is his choice, but at least he will be doing so without a misinformed and divisive view of how our district's children are being educated.

**Ted Knight, Superintendent,**  
Carmel Unified Schools  
**Bill Schrier, President,**  
Association of Carmel Teachers  
**Lisa Brazil, President,**  
Carmel Chapter 190 - California  
School Employees Association

### Keep Carmel Carmel

Dear Editor,

Several members of the city council are now in full force to change the character of our hamlet. For over 100 years Carmel-by-the-Sea has been adored by those that come to visit and decide to become permanent or part time residents to enjoy its charm and quirkiness, with no street numbers, no street lights and no sidewalks in the residential area.

Three city council members are inconvenienced not having street addresses.

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# Early city drama wasn't limited to the Forest Theater's stage

JOHN B. Jordan was 53 when he came to Carmel in September 1921 to take over management of the Pine Inn from the Wilkeson sisters. The native of Seattle, Wash., moved to California in his early 20s and graduated from the University of the Pacific. As the new century began, Jordan joined his brother in the hotel business in Oakland, where he also flourished as a civic leader. Carmel offered a very different pace of life for Jordan, his wife Ida, and their 13-year-old son, Jack.

Jordan sought to embrace his new community and became remarkably active in his first year in town. The Carmel Repertory Players — a group that included Ted Kuster, Herbert Heron and Argyll Camp-

summer, to encourage new development, Jordan helped create and fund the Carmel Building and Loan Society as a branch of the California Investment Association of Oakland.

### Twelfth Night party

Jordan began his second year with more active participation in local theater. He appeared opposite Heron in the October 1922 production of Shaw's "Dark Lady of the Sonnets," and in January 1923 hosted a community-wide, old English-flavored Twelfth Night party at the Pine Inn. The proceeds from the evening went to support the Arts and Crafts Club's proposed little theater.

Later in January, Jordan helped form the chamber of commerce and was elected vice president, with The Pine Cone's publisher, William Overstreet, as president. Jordan was also appointed to the chamber's public utilities committee, a role he had held in Oakland.

Jordan further endeared himself to the public when he was one of 10 "angels" who committed funds to allow the purchase of a firetruck.

In April 1923, the Carmel Chamber of Commerce elected Jordan as the representative from Carmel to a newly formed regional organization for promotion of the entire Monterey Peninsula.

During 1923's summer theater season, Jordan appeared in productions of "Kismet" and "The Cradle." That fall, he was elected to Forest Theater's board of directors, and in the fall of 1925, he was elected a director of the Arts and Crafts Club.

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## History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

bell — produced three Irish plays at the old Manzanita theater (SW corner of San Carlos and Ocean) for St. Patrick's Day in 1922. The Pine Inn had served as a social center for the village in the past, and Jordan wanted to restore that aura of local comfort. And so, Jordan welcomed the players to an "after-the-play supper" at the hotel.

Jordan was also among the anxious Carmelites who crowded city hall in May 1922 for the opening of the bids to pave Ocean Avenue. Soon-to-be-Mayor Perry Newberry declared that even the lowest bid of \$27,984 was too high to enable the city to cover "the cost of the incidentals, plus the cost of the road within the amount collected from assessments." Newberry suggested rewriting the specifications and putting the paving job out for a new bid.

When outgoing Mayor William Maxwell asked the citizens for suggestions, Jordan, opposed to delay, suggested paying any deficit "by popular subscription." This was Jordan's first recorded entry into politics. It would not be his last. After further discussion, the city engineer assured the city's board of trustees the incidentals would not be as much as Newberry feared, and they approved a resolution to accept the bid and proceed with paving.

### Serra carving

Further embedding his role in community life, in July 1922, Jordan was appointed to the committee in charge of the Junipero Serra Day Celebration. That year's event included the dedication of Jo Mora's carving of Serra in the new Carmel Woods development north of the city limits. Also that



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After nearly 20 years at the Pine Inn, John Jordan was honored by the Pine Cone with this drawing when he sold the hotel in 1940.

# In her works, man meets nature

THE PERPETUALLY tempestuous relationship between mankind and nature, and the inevitable impact they have on each other, has been a recurring theme in the life, professional career and fine artwork of Polly Osborne, whose earliest memories include barefooted romps over the manicured fairways of the world-famous golf course that was an extension of her backyard.

Her childhood home sat on the 1st Hole of the Pebble Beach Golf Links, a jewel carved out of the Del Monte Forest by her

on property once owned by her grandfather, now shared by four Osborne siblings.

### Two-headed tadpoles

A sculpture she called "Pierre's Experiment" — part of a series entitled "The Last Lilypad" — depicts two-headed tadpoles along with a red-eyed frog perched on a weathered cell phone, but still in their habitat. "Prefers Popcorn," crafted in stone-ware and porcelain, features a squirrel sitting atop a giant acorn, munching a piece of popcorn. A colorful outdoor monument is a history of evolution, from 260 million years ago to the present. And a ceramic pitcher is a reproduction of the globe covered with the coronavirus, its handle and spout made partially from sculpted hypodermic syringes.

## Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

fabled grandfather, Samuel F.B. Morse, who also gets credit for Cypress Point, Spyglass Hill, the Monterey Peninsula Country Club and four other courses.

"My father, Richard, worked for my grandfather as president of Del Monte Properties, and my mother, Mary, had been a champion golfer as a teenager," Osborne said. "A photo of her perfect swing still hangs behind the reception desk at The Lodge, but she didn't play much after high school."

### Big playgrounds

"They considered golf part of their work and never taught me to play, so I've never actually walked the whole course," she said. "Pebble Beach and Cypress Point were just big playgrounds to me as a little kid."

The deep appreciation Osborne feels for the natural beauty of the Peninsula — and the rest of the planet — inspires many of the sculptures and paintings she creates in the studio of her home near Garland Park,

"I absolutely love nature, and one of the things that fascinates me is how we interact with it," Osborne said. "I was looking out the window today at the road out there, which represents noise, and that tree, which is basically an invasive species, and those bird feeders, which, I guess, might be a form of atonement..."

Atonement has been important to Osborne for decades, stemming largely from the career she chose — architecture — and its inevitable conflicts with nature.

"I was constantly trying to find ways to erase the destruction I felt like I was causing as architect," she said. "You can't build a building without wrecking a habitat — somebody or something's been there before you."

"It's extremely difficult to build completely regeneratively. I'd spend as much time as I could out in nature, and all of my time in the office trying to do sustainable work, but that almost felt impossible at times," said Osborne, who helped the City of Los Angeles develop its first set of green building guidelines, worked with architects to develop an awareness of environmental issues, and sat on the code committee on environment for the L.A. chapter of the American Institute of Architects. She serves as vice president of the board of directors of the local chapter of the AIA.

### 'Antidote'

"As an architect, I'd often skip out of the office, sneak over to a communal pottery studio and throw pots, or go home and do some paintings," Osborne said.

"It was the best antidote in the world to dealing with a frustrating permit process, or an annoying contractor, or whatever was getting to me at work," she added.

Spending time in the natural world also has been

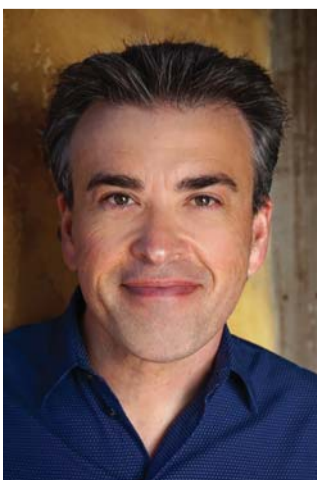


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Former architect Polly Osborne, granddaughter of Samuel F.B. Morse, makes statements about nature with her art.

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# LETTERS

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They claim street numbers will solve receiving packages, medicines, credit cards, DMV registration, government issues, etc. Registering for these items may take more time but can be accomplished. We are lucky to live here and a little inconvenience is worth it.

The claim is street addresses will facilitate your packages and mail not being miss-delivered or lost. Street addresses can still result in delivery mishaps.

Fire and police personnel have difficulty in locating residences. The city can provide a map delineating our directional address. The directional address would be displayed, so it can be seen from the street, just as would be required with a street address.

Street addresses are not the panacea. We may lose our local post office, which has been a meeting place in Carmel-by-the-Sea for years. It will be time-consuming for all the changes required to receive all your mail timely. If mail delivery is changed to each physical residence, a mailbox will be necessary and mail theft will become a problem. Currently, Carmel-by-the-Sea does not have to worry about stolen mail because the mail is delivered to your post office box. Why do people move places and then want to change things because they are a little inconvenienced?

Don't take the charm away. Repair the

streets, but not the addresses. We already have them.

Only three votes change Carmel-by-the-Sea forever. Embrace the charm that makes Carmel-by-the-Sea unique and special.

**Cheryl Merritt, Carmel**

## 'Style is secondary'

**Dear Editor,**

Neal Kruse's letter decrying modernist architecture in the Oct. 7 Pine Cone got me thinking. I was born in Carmel, back when there was a Carmel hospital. My dearest friend in my 1950s childhood lived and still lives in a modern house on Franciscan Way. I loved that house as a child. Views, light, and simplicity of design, yet rooted to the site and, in no way, "anywhere USA." as Kruse states. It was and is Carmel.

Our early Carmel residents were part of the Arts and Crafts movement, rebelling from the Victorian business of applied design and Beaux Arts dictates. Instead they believed in simpler design, one rooted in nature. They embraced the idea of using native materials to celebrate nature.

Celebrating nature. Hooray. Modernist design, at its best, also celebrates nature, bringing the outside in by dissolving the separation between inside and outside, by dissolving walls. The philosophy of inclusion, human and wild, continues. Bravo!

Architectural design is, at its best, rooted in site. Style is superfluous and secondary to good design. Site is essential, and no two are alike, so no two buildings

should be alike.

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**Polly Osborne, Vice President, Monterey Bay AIA**

## 'Not for the better'

**Dear Editor,**

As I walk throughout the village during this election year, I have encountered hundreds of residents who all have a similar sentiment. Echoing in my ear is "Carmel is changing and not for the better." Never before in my nearly 50 years of living here have I seen such a concern about the loss of our village character.

Carmel-by-the-Sea is at a crossroads. Well researched and intelligent decisions will need to be made to ensure prosperity in the future. Carmel deserves a new councilmember who has integrity, promises to keep us safe, our beaches clean, our infrastructure secure, protect our urban forest and most of all preserve our village character.

I believe Alissandra Dramov has these qualities and can complement the current sitting members of council. There is long list of residents and former elected officials who have endorsed Alissandra and I ask you to please join me and vote for Alissandra to Carmel's city council.

**Rich Pepe, Carmel**

## 'Undistinguished structures'

**Dear Editor,**

Reality confirms that Carmel has always consisted of more undistinguished structures than it does buildings warranting the word "architecture." Indeed, Carmel was mostly founded on cheap single-wall cottages and not refined architectural statements. (Review the historic Steinbeck-esque, shanty-town photos.)

As a comforting counterpoint tonic, recognize the "charm" of Carmel is mostly sustained by the flora and fauna, and the fine horticultural attention most homeowners pay to their properties. Indeed,

architects understand that, fortunately, ivy can mask their failures.

**John Peter Hagen, Pebble Beach**

## Visitor experience

**Dear Editor,**

It stuns me that the City of Carmel does little to enhance the visitor experience. It really wouldn't take much to re-pave the roads, or even highlight the parking spaces. As it stands now, there is so much confusion for everyone, and you often see cars take up two spaces because they can't see the badly faded white markers.

While we're at it, even though it will lose a few slots, let's redefine the parking spaces at the Sunset Center parking area. They are far too narrow — I'm fed up with getting my car door dinged because some person in a huge truck or wide car (or just through pure selfishness) leaves very little space to even get out of one's car.

**Barry Edwards, Carmel Valley**

## Sustainable tourism

**Dear Editor,**

If local facilities and natural areas become overwhelmed, residents can suddenly find their communities run down by urban decay. It is paramount that everyone in the community understands that a city-wide beautification and sustainable tourism plan can preserve and protect what is special and unique about Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Small towns can often provide refuge in an increasingly populated world. They are viewed as a respite by visitors and residents who enjoy a sense of history, unique local businesses, a star-filled sky untainted by city lights and the opportunity to get up close and personal with nature.

However, mass tourism and poor maintenance erode a city's character and natural resources. Residents are experiencing a lot of wear and tear in town due to high traffic such as dirty sidewalks, litter, cigarette butts, graffiti, and overflowing trash cans. Unfortunately, visitors have been burning toxic trash on the beach, burying their garbage in the sand, and leaving their plastic trash and litter behind with disregard to our sensitive coastal community.

In addition, the state has a one size fits all densification plan for additional housing and cell tower proliferation intended for urban cities, but not right for the size

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# MORE LETTERS

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of our tiny village. The influx of more people and more infrastructure threatens to further erode our village character without proper planning, balanced regulation, and maintenance efforts.

Alissandra Dramov, city council candidate and long-standing resident, recognizes that we have a great opportunity to foster community spirit between our city, businesses, and residents by joining together in the implementation of a city-wide maintenance plan to benefit our mutual values. Together, we can refine our community identity, inspire beautification goals, and set expectations for sustainable tourism and respect for our village.

Alissandra's dedication to the preservation of our village is self-evident having grown up in Carmel and having written multiple history books all on Carmel-by-the-Sea. She has a clear dedication to preserve our community character and quality of life. She gladly has our vote!

**Dylan and Tasha Witt, Carmel**

## Taking away home heating

Dear Editor,

Monterey County is proposing to outlaw gas furnaces in all of our homes, in favor of electric fired units. Let's examine the facts. Firstly, operating costs of electric heaters are four times that of gas furnaces. Secondly, electric heating in homes causes 20 times the number of home fires than gas, and an even higher percentage of the deaths to residents according to the National Fire Protection Association. Thirdly, electric heating actually produces more air pollution than gas in terms of carbon, sulfur and toxic mercury.

Let's vote for Vicki Nohrden, who has the courage to stand up to the forces pushing this ban in the California Assembly.

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

## 'Overestimates demand'

Dear Editor,

Just recently, Cal Am announced it plans to present a "phased" approach in implementing the proposed desalination plant for the Monterey Peninsula. This phased approach will be included in their upcoming presentation to the California Coastal Commission (CCC) aimed at securing approval from the CCC to proceed with their desal plant.

One thing is abundantly clear, Cal Am maintains that a desal plant is a necessity. To this end Cal Am overestimates demand and underestimates supply for water. Cal Am discounts the combined supply from Pure Water Monterey and its expansion without proof. After reviewing Cal Am's basis for future water demand, the MPWMD discovered that most of the "additional" demand noted by Cal Am had already been included in the AMBAG growth forecast prepared for the MPWMD. A classic case of "double counting." Hence, regardless of the "phased" implementation, the ultimate capacity of the proposed desal plant being pushed by Cal Am still remains at 6,250 AFY. Deception with a capital D.

Before consideration of Cal Am's revised plan for their desal plant, there should be a general agreement on the true water requirements for the Monterey Peninsula and if a desal plant is even needed. Only then can a comprehensive review of any proposed desal plant be undertaken. That comprehensive review should include not only the capital cost of the facility but the technical details covering design, construction, and commissioning. Only after such a comprehensive review will the full cost, including environmental impacts, become abundantly apparent.

**Victor Thompson, Carmel**

## Local water heroes

Dear Editor,

Let's create a new narrative that supports joy and creativity. Recently, a water purchase agreement was approved for Pure Water Monterey Expansion, which will ensure ample water security for all, including affordable housing and drought protection. The Cal Am fearmongering tactics are just old and tired efforts to intimidate folks and to deter progress.

In Marina, the Marina Coast Water District (MCWD) has worked tirelessly to preserve and protect the Salinas Valley Groundwater Basin (SVGB) and reduce seawater intrusion.

By contrast, Cal Am is dedicated to destroying Marina's sensitive habitat ecosystems, its pristine beaches, and majestic dunes. Please support MCWD, Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, and Monterey One Water (MIW), our local water heroes. These public water purveyors are steady, stalwart, loyal water partners who believe in transparency, efficient operations, reasonable rates, and most of all, quality water and service. Cal Am only offers the opposite and large profits to out-of-the-area investors.

The California Coastal Commission (CCC) will hold a hearing on Cal Am's desal permit. Please attend this hearing on Nov. 17, at the board of supervisors chambers in Salinas or virtually online. We need to show up and show support for our faithful, reliable public water agencies who are trying to do the right thing for the people they serve.

Cal Am's desal would destroy SVGB aquifers that are critically overdrafted and under Groundwater Sustainability Agency management. Let's tell the CCC we do not want or need Cal Am's exorbitant desal plant.

**Margaret-Anne Coppernoll, Marina**

## New PR firm?

Dear Editor,

Was the Water Management District's "On the Verge" ad in last week's Pine Cone the work of their new PR agency? If so, it looks like they made the right choice. The ad caught my attention and I actually learned something that I did not know about our current water situation. Most of us don't keep up on water. It's great to know that we're very close to a solution on our long-standing water shortage. I look forward to learning more about the Pure Water Monterey project. Thanks.

**Clare Manning, Pacific Grove**

## Emulate Kennedy

Dear Editor,

It is time that rank-and-file Democrats discover what is happening to their party. Tulsi Gabbard, the former Hawaiian congresswoman, vice chair of the Democratic National Committee, and a Democratic presidential candidate in 2020, is leaving her party forever. Her reasons are sound. However, before she left the party, the party left her — taken over by authoritarian Democratic Socialists.

Gabbard stated that "an elitist cabal of warmongers driven by cowardly wokeness" now controls the Democratic Party. They are "racializing every issue, stoking anti-white racism," and continue to "demonize the police and protect criminals at the expense of law-abiding Americans." Moreover, Gabbard accused the Democrats of undermining liberty by weaponizing "the national security

state to go after political opponents." And that they have ushered in a "government that is of, by and for the powerful elite."

If Democrats want to retake their party, they should emulate President John F. Kennedy, a high-caliber leader who supported individual liberty, gun rights, equality, low taxation, free-market capitalism, local police and American traditions.

**Sharon Wood, Carmel**

## RNG cars

Dear Editor,

"Council decides to go diesel for firetruck." Has anyone on the city council thought of a cleaner alternative to electric which would better for the environment than diesel? I drive a "clean air" natural gas Honda Civic NGV that runs on renewable natural gas, which is made from garbage and animal waste.

Currently, local waste collection agencies like Green-waste collect your garbage and food waste but instead of putting most of it in a landfill they power their trucks with the RNG converted from that waste.

While it takes an average electric car at least an hour to charge, I can fill up my car in under 5 minutes. A bonus is that while you pay around \$6.60 a gallon for regular gas, I pay \$3.23 a gallon after the California Clean Air rebate.

It would be far cheaper and better for the environment to convert all vehicles to run on RNG than invest in electric. We all know that electric vehicles are far more expensive to purchase and factoring in future battery replacements far more expensive to operate. Plus, based on recent and future electric failures without nuclear backup to the grid, there's far more chance to rely on coal & natural gas to power the grid when wind and solar are not sufficient.

**Marty Becker, Pacific Grove**

**Exciting News!!**



About 200 non-profits have been selected for Monterey County Gives! Golden Oldies, the **only** older-cat-exclusive rescue in Monterey County, is one of them! The campaign starts November 10. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year! We are raising funds to support a "Seniors Saving Seniors" program that will allow us to waive adoption fees for anyone 65 or older who adopts a cat 12 or older from us. We also want to assist as needed with costs associated with wellness exams, diagnostics, and emergency care. Stay tuned for more details!

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# SPORTS

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in Hollister.

Holding the No. 6 spot going into the league tournament is junior Anjela Abianco, a three-year varsity player who blossomed into a long, straight driver this season. Abianco recorded a season-best 43 at Old Del Monte.

Aurora Wu, a senior from Hangzhou, China, and Chloe Yi, a junior from Marina, have also seen varsity action this year.

“Our No. 1 goal was to win the league championship again, but we’d also like to advance beyond CCS and go to NorCals this year, and I feel like we can accomplish that,” the coach said.

### Senior-dominated Padres

In contrast with Stevenson, Carmel’s lineup is top-heavy with seniors, beginning with Sophie Southard, whose best regular-season performance (all nine-hole competitions), was a 38, a score she shot twice — once at Pacific Grove Golf Links (against P.G. High), the other at Corral de Tierra Country Club (against Salinas).

“Sophie plays 18-hole tournaments year-round, which is advantageous when we get to the league championships and CCS (both 18-hole events),” Kroeker said. “We also played an 18-hole tournament earlier this season, which hopefully prepared us better for the league tournament and CCS. Playing 18 holes can be mentally and physically difficult if you’re not used to it.”

Anna Kroeker, the coach’s daughter, has emerged as the Padres’ No. 2 golfer with a stroke average of 44.13 and a season-best round of 40 at Pacific Grove. Kroeker also carded 41 twice this year.

The third senior, Ellie Rydeheard, took seventh at last year’s PCAL tournament, and her 45.13 stroke average includes a 41 at Corral de Tierra.

### Strong underclassmen

The future is represented by freshmen, Megan Ikemiya (46.13 average, 42 best) and Sydney Ozel (48.63, 45), and sophomore Ava Martin (50.29, 45). Another ninth-grader who has seen varsity action, Bailey Stewart, also played in the recent Tiger Woods tournament.

“I love our prospects over the next few years and I’m really hoping the middle school program resumes, so more kids get the opportunity,” Kroeker said of Carmel Middle School, whose golf program was attracting 30-40 players a year until the pandemic put it on the shelf. “It’s a shame that they discontinued it, and I’d love to see them resurrect



PHOTOS/(LEFT) KERRY BELSER, (RIGHT) JASON MCCARTHUR

Driving and putting are strengths for Santa Catalina junior Reena Dail (left), who placed 12th at the PCAL tournament in 2021. Sophomore Michelle Wang and freshman Coco He (right) are among four natives of China golfing at Stevenson.



it this spring.”

Santa Catalina program, which placed fourth at the 2021 PCAL tournament, is in a rebuilding stage, winless in dual meets this year but buoyed by junior Reena Dail, whose strengths are putting and driving, according to coach Cheryl Wecker.

Dail placed 12th at last year’s league meet and has scored as low as 43 this fall at both Ridgemark and Corral de Tierra.

Tuesday’s PCAL tournament at Laguna Seca will have an 11 a.m. shotgun start.

### ■ Prospect alert

**Maxon picks Stanford:** Matt Maxon, a freshman at Carmel High, has verbally committed to play collegiate

baseball at Stanford University, where he expects to be a right-handed pitcher.

Maxon also plays third base and center field, and swings the bat well.

“He’s a great kid, works extremely hard, throws a curve, a change-up, and a fastball that comes in at around 85 mph right now,” said Carmel High pitching coach Scott Brown. “He has graduated from one travel-ball level to another really quickly, kind of outgrew this area, and has been playing with a Bay Area team.”

“Stanford has recruited him as a multi-position player, but I would think pitching is his future,” Brown said.

Players cannot sign a letter of intent with a university until their junior year of high school.

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## DUI

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of Budweiser on the floorboard of Donato’s Lincoln that Donato attempted to conceal. The Greenfield man, Clocherty said, showed signs of intoxication, including red, watery eyes and slurred speech.

When the CHP officer asked Donato how much he’d had to drink, he said, “a lot,” and “Fuck you!” according to Clocherty’s accident report. Donato was also dismissive when Clocherty told him he’d killed a young woman.

### Two priors

Data recovered from the computer of Donato’s vehicle showed he waited until two-tenths of a second before braking, then collided with Lecce’s vehicle. He was traveling at about 87 mph 1 second before impact.

Donato was convicted of drunk driving and hit-and-run in 2012, and in 2018 was convicted of drunk driving in Idaho.

In 2019, the 5-foot, 2-inch, 180-pound Donato was also charged with spousal battery and cruelty to a 3-year-old boy, court records show.

Lecce lived and worked in Carmel Valley, where her father and grandparents live, for about a year before moving back home to the Paso Robles area.

Sabrina Lecce’s aunt, Alicia Rose Lecce, pointed to Donato’s history of drunk driving and said she hopes he never gets out of prison.

“If he gets out, he’ll do it again,” Lecce said. “How many more families need to be ripped apart before justice is served? He is a repeat offender and has no regard for his actions.”



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# TRACK

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Oct. 23, but track spokesman Barry Toepke said Wednesday the track is rented out through the end of the month, so the work is already being delayed.

According to the schedule provided by the contractor, after the bridge is demolished, utilities, retaining walls, abutments and the approach will be built over the next six months, with assembly and erection of the new crossing taking place from late March to late April 2023.

On the track, the kerbs and drainage will undergo repair between October and next March, followed by milling the pavement and then overlaying it — a “round-the-clock operation,” Carroll said — after which the new surface will need to cure for at least a week.

New paint and striping would be done in April 2023, and last-minute punchlist items would be taken care of between May 24, 2023, and June 14, 2023, when there are no events on the track.

Ideally, everything will be done by mid-June 2023.

## And then, racing

According to the preliminary race calendar sent out by WeatherTech Raceway officials Sept. 27, the post-construction lineup starts with the July 7-9, 2023, MotoAmerica Superbike SpeedFest, followed by vintage bikes racing a week later.

Car Week kicks off with the Pre-Reunion races Aug. 12-13, and the main event, the Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion, will be held Aug. 16-19, followed by the new Corkscrew Hillclimb and Community Day Aug. 20. (The inaugural effort, which involved drivers racing up the track’s signature Corkscrew turns, rather than down it, in all types of vehicles, took place this year and by all

accounts was a fun, rousing success.)

The IndyCar series will return Sept. 8-10 for the Firestone Grand Prix of Monterey — when the drivers will no doubt be overjoyed to race on the newly resurfaced track, considering they were among the loudest complainers about its condition over the past couple of years — and Porsche Rennsport Reunion VII will close out Laguna’s motorsports season Sept. 28-Oct. 1.

Rennsport is the world’s largest gathering of Porsche fans and notable cars.

When it was last held at Laguna Seca in 2018, Rennsport

drew more than 80,000 people, according to Porsche, and next year, it’s expected to attract even more. Hosted by Porsche Cars North America, Inc., the four-day event “will celebrate cars from the past and the present day, as well as giving a glimpse into the future, both on the track and on the road.”

There have been seven Rennsport Reunions, and next year’s will be the fourth hosted by Laguna Seca. County officials estimate it will generate about \$40 million in local spending.

Tickets are already on sale for Rennsport.

# BALLOT

From page 8A

council members means less discussion.

“I believe a smaller city council will promote quality over quantity,” councilman Luke Coletti told The Pine Cone. “Electing better qualified leaders means more independent thought and scrutiny and less reliance on staff. In my opinion, this leads to better governance and representation.”

Most of the city’s council members agree, with Mayor Bill Peake and council members Nick Smith, Jenny McAdams, Amy Tomlinson and Coletti supporting a council with fewer members.

Poduri and Councilman Joe Amelio are the only council members opposed to the idea, believing the council should have seven members.

Amelio said the advantages of a larger council include “more opportunities for citizens to get involved” and

“more diversity.”

“I advise the citizens to vote no on Measure O,” Amelio said. A seven-member council “has been part of our city charter for 95 years.”

A Latino civil rights group in August threatened to sue Pacific Grove if it did not move from at-large elections to district elections. Proponents of Measure O say that if the city is forced to go to district elections, it would be easier to geographically divide a city based on a council with fewer members.

Coletti addressed the “diversity” claim made by opponents of Measure O, and said a council with fewer members means larger voting districts, which means voters would “actually get more choice.”

“Dividing Pacific Grove into six tiny voting districts will very likely mean that only one candidate — or maybe none — will stand to represent a given district,” Coletti said.

“And, if there is only one candidate, they will run unopposed. How does this encourage diversity?” the councilman asked.

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# GAVEL

From page 4A

possible sexual assault. The reporting party was the mother of a juvenile female who had found text messages between her daughter, Jane Doe, and Diaz. During the course of the investigation, detectives learned that Diaz had met Doe on a dating application and initially believed she was over the age of 18. Diaz was made aware early on that Doe was in fact only 17 years old, and only after becoming aware of her real age did Diaz begin a sexual relationship with Doe.

During the course of their relationship, Diaz subjected Doe to emotional, verbal and physical manipulation, eventually coercing her to advertise various controlled substances for sale on her social media accounts with the specific intent that he would sell the substances to her school-aged friends. Diaz also solicited the aid of a third party to sexually assault Doe.

Diaz was initially arrested and charged for these crimes but was released on bail after arraignment. While out on bail, Diaz threatened Doe via social media. Diaz was arrested and charged with this crime as well.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, November 1, 2022, on or after 4:30 p.m., the City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will hold a Public Hearing via teleconference and in-person.

To attend via Zoom, copy and paste this link into your browser: <https://ci-carmel-ca-us.zoom.us/j/85863804198>  
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Government Code section 54953(e) authorizes local legislative bodies to hold public meetings via teleconference and to make public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and address the local legislative body. Also, see the Order by the Monterey County Public Health Officer issued March 17, 2020. To that end, this meeting will be held via teleconference and in-person at City Hall located on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues.

The health and well-being of our residents are the top priority for the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea. To that end, this meeting will be held via teleconference and web-streamed on the City’s at <http://www.ci.carmel.ca.us> and found by clicking on “Government” and then “Meetings.” The City Council meeting will be broadcast live on the City’s website at <http://carmel.novusagenda.com/agendapublic/meetingsresponsive.aspx> and the City’s YouTube Channel at <https://www.youtube.com/c/CityofCarmelbytheSea> and archived there after the meeting.

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

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

Consideration of Ordinance 2022-004 – (First Reading) amending Title 15 (Building Code)

Location: Citywide  
Consider Ordinance 2022-004 (first reading), amending Carmel Municipal Code (CMC) Title 15 (Buildings and Construction) by adopting the 2022 editions of the California Building (CBC), Residential (CRC), Energy (CEnC), Fire (CFC), Mechanical (CMC), Plumbing (CPC), Electrical (CEC), Green Building Standards (CGBSC), Historic Building (HBC), and Existing Building Codes (EBC) with local amendments.

Amend Beach Fire Management Pilot Program Coastal Development Permit 18-231

Location: Citywide  
Consider a resolution amending CDP 18-231 to extend the current Beach Fire Management Pilot Program by six months, with an end date of May 15, 2023.

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# HEALTHY

## Lifestyles

### Alone or with surgery, regenerative medicine can help speed healing

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

**DR. NICHOLAS** Gularte's roots run deep into the soil and history of the Salinas Valley. His family came to Monterey as Spanish settlers in 1770, and established the lettuce farm where Gularte grew up. He said his grandfather, "several greats back," took down many grizzlies from the mountains and was eventually taken down by one himself.

Gularte, a York School graduate, went off to earn his bachelor's degree at UC Santa Cruz, followed by a master's degree in biomedical science, and an osteopathic medical degree at A.T. Still University in Kirksville, Missouri. That was followed by his physical medicine and rehabilitation residency at Casa Colina Hospital in Pomona, and his fellowship training in sports, spine and regenerative medicine at the Bodor Clinic in Napa. Through it all, he planned to come home. And so, he has.

"I am a local guy, about as local as you get," said Gularte. "I wanted to come back to this area to raise my family, practice medicine, and enjoy its rich history and wildlife and natural beauty — my home."

He joined Monterey Spine & Joint (which celebrates its 15th anniversary this year) in August, and is a regenerative medicine specialist who works to help and support the body as it heals itself.

#### Important parts

To understand what Gularte does, it's helpful to know a little bit about some of the parts of the body he works with. Tendons are flexible but inelastic cords that connect the various parts of the muscular and skeletal systems. Ligaments consist of fibrous connective tissue that attaches bone to bone. Gularte also addresses problems with the

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## You can't rebuild without the right raw materials

By FUAD AL QUDSI

**IF YOU'RE** scheduled for a surgical procedure, with all of the stress that comes with it, what you're eating and drinking is probably the last thing on your mind. However, having adequate nutrition both before and after surgery is vital to a shorter hospital stay, faster recovery, and overall better quality of life.

Of course, you should consult with your doctor to ensure you're following all the nutritional guidelines your specific procedure calls for. Surgeries vary widely, and some procedures require more specific guidelines and protocols than others. Some are low-risk outpatient surgeries that will have you in and out up and around within a day or two, but others are more complicated, with weeks or even months of recovery time. That said, there are common nutritional strategies that anyone undergoing surgery can benefit from.

### Carbohydrates are necessary

Prior to surgery, most patients are urged to fast for a set period — usually from eight to 12 hours — because having food in the system can increase the risk of complications. However, fasting for longer than recommended can hinder a smooth recovery because it throws your insulin levels out of whack, which leaves your body less nourished post-op than it should be.

That's why the last meal before you begin your fast should be rich in carbohydrates. Research shows that loading up on carbs before surgery reduces hunger, thirst and anxiety, and lowers the chances of experiencing nausea, vomiting and a longer hospital stay after surgery. Some foods to consider are:

- Whole grain pasta, bread and brown rice
- Bagels and cereals
- Fruit juice

- Oatmeal and grits
- Dairy products

### Adequate protein is vital

Even more important than carbohydrates is protein. In fact, when it comes to recovery, it's the most important nutrient, especially in older people, because the body experiences a great deal of inflammation in response to the trauma of surgery. While this is necessary for healing, one consequence is that the body responds by breaking down muscle tissue.

This muscle loss can drastically slow recovery, result in longer hospital stays and hinder rehabilitation. In addition, proteins make up the antibodies in the immune system that fight off infection. Therefore, the risk of infection after surgery increases with inadequate protein intake. Some examples are:

- Lean meats such as chicken, turkey and fish
- Nonfat dairy products
- Whey protein shakes and supplements

### Focus on anti-inflammatory foods

As mentioned, the body goes through a lot of "good" inflammation after surgery, but too much can cause complications, including infections and low energy. If you have open wounds following your procedure, consuming anti-inflammatory foods to help the healing process is important. Focus on foods rich in vitamin C, zinc and phytonutrients from plants, all of which play a role in boosting the immune system, repairing damaged tissue and building new tissue. If the surgery involves broken bones, foods rich in calcium and vitamin D help the healing process as well. Examples include:

- Berries
- Citrus fruits, like oranges
- Bell peppers
- Leafy green vegetables
- Nuts and seeds
- Beans and peas

### Getting enough calories

In spite of the fasting that's required before surgery and the nausea that often follows procedures, consuming ade-



quate calories is crucial to healing. Even if you are temporarily immobilized, your body is burning a lot of calories with the energy it takes to heal itself and fight off infection. If you do not replace these calories, you'll continue to feel sick and recovery time will be extended.

Post-op nausea could last for up to a week, so consider making calorie-dense smoothies with nut butters, avocado and fruits and vegetables to make sure you're getting calories and nutrients quickly. Nutritional shakes such as Ensure and Boost are also recommended. By consuming the nutrients mentioned earlier in this article, along with adequate calories every day, you will find yourself in good shape.

### The bottom line

A surgical procedure can be scary and the recovery pro-

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## HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

### Help for the most challenging parts of coming home

By ELAINE HESSER

**FROM THE** moment you arrive at a surgery center or a hospital for a procedure, help is never far away. Someone is by your side or available with the touch of a button. When it's time to leave, they ease you into a wheelchair, then into a car, and



Tina Gallegos

a friend or relative drives you back to your sanctuary near the sea —home sweet home.

That's when things can become surprisingly challenging. Even after a couple weeks of in-patient occupational and physical therapy, navigating your home by yourself can be tricky. That's why your surgery team may recommend some form of temporary home healthcare.

Try to have conversations about post-surgical care well in advance of your procedure. Ask your doctor what might be needed, then ask your insurance company what's covered — home healthcare may include occupational or physical therapy, assistance with bathing and feeding, administering medications and changing bandages, just to name a few.

#### Too taxing?

To get a better idea of what's involved in life after surgery, Healthy Lifestyles talked with Tina Gallegos, a registered nurse with

VNA and Hospice of the Central Coast, who has extensive experience looking after patients in hospitals and at home.

Gallegos said that the first thing to think about is whether you're going to be housebound, and for how long. "After surgery, will it be an emotionally or physically taxing effort to leave the house to get care? If it is, then you should get home care." She explained that although someone may be physically able to get to an appointment, the trip might be so fraught with anxiety that it's better to get care in-home.

She also pointed out that while someone's spouse may be healthy, caregiving can be physically challenging — is your husband or wife able to catch you if you slip or stumble, for example? And if a loved one is going to care for you, professionals should provide some training on how to handle common tasks, like changing dressings or caring for stitches.

Visiting healthcare professionals are trained to look at everything holistically, considering patients' emotional and physical wellbeing, as well as learning what activities are important to them, and what their goals for recovery are. Gallegos said that on an initial visit, they'll start by reviewing all the medications someone is taking, including those unrelated to the surgery — statins, blood pressure medications and so on.

She said that people often have more than one doctor or pharmacy, and nobody's coordinating all the medications and checking for interactions. She added that people often need help figuring out how to deal with constipation caused by pain med-

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icines, or antibiotics that lead to digestive distress.

A visiting nurse will also screen for depression, which Gallegos said is not uncommon among people getting home care.

Depending on your doctor's orders, you might need blood draws for lab tests, or help with intravenous medicines. It's also important to pay attention to what you're eating and how often (see page 34A), whether you can prepare meals for yourself, and so on — and factor in special diets, like those for diabetics.

Professional caregivers evaluate your home with an eye toward safety. Gallegos said that throw rugs will be put away, because they're a slipping hazard. In the bathroom, you may need a raised toilet seat, and grab bars or a seat for bathing. You'll also get instructions on how to keep your incision clean, and when it's safe to start washing the area normally again.

However, contrary to some seniors' fears, caregivers aren't trying to force anyone into a long-term care facility. "We're educators," said Gallegos. "We want to help people have a healthy lifestyle."

### No judgment

For example, if a patient is a hoarder, but seems otherwise alert and oriented (they know who they are, what day of the week it is, what they had for breakfast, etc.), the healthcare worker or a medical social worker will try to find safe options to work around the issue.

"They can continue to live like that, and there's no judgment," said Gallegos. "It's truly a collaboration."

What about pets? Whether it's a St. Bernard or a parakeet, non-human friends must also be dealt with from a safety perspective. Although everyone loves having their favorite snuggle-buddy around, it may be best for them to stay in a different part of the house for the first few days, or,

if that's not possible, with a friend. Mainly, you're trying to avoid tripping over them or having them jump onto your lap, if that's a bad spot. You also don't want to risk infection by handling a lot of pet waste while you're healing.

### 'Don't freak out'

Gallegos had a few more tips. Before surgery, she suggested regularly massaging and squeezing the skin where the incision will be made, to increase elasticity, reduce itching and aid in healing. "It could also be a great excuse to get a backrub from your partner," she suggested.

After your procedure, if a wound itches, she warned not to put lotion directly on or around the site, but rather to use moist heat or ice placed 1 to 2 inches away. You should bathe and put on clean clothes daily. Outfits shouldn't bind over the incision site or cut off blood flow. Those skinny jeans can wait.

Keep an eye out for infections. A certain amount of inflammation accompanies healing — "it's the redness you go home with," said Gallegos — but if she's concerned about a red area, she'll circle it along its outer edges with a ballpoint pen or marker. That way, the patient or the next healthcare worker to come in can see if it's spread. Excessive pain, oozing, heat or fever are all reasons to call your nurse or doctor.

As the wound heals, stitches or staples may scab over — "Don't freak out, just call your doctor or home health nurse," said Gallegos. Ditto if they seem to be pulling apart. If your incision was closed with surgical glue, it will likely just come out as the wound heals, and, applied properly, those little steri-strips "are tougher than they look."

Finally — and this applies to anyone who gets a little woozy on standing — Gallegos encourages people to take it slowly when they get up. "Do some stretching

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# THE KITCHEN

## QUINOA WITH SPINACH, TOMATOES AND GOAT CHEESE

Courtesy of Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula

**IN KEEPING** with this month’s surgery theme, we have a recipe from Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula for a quinoa bowl. As registered dietitian nutritionist Fuad Al Qudsi wrote in his story about nutrition after surgery (page 34A), “When it comes to recovery, protein is the most important nutrient, especially in older people,” because it’s necessary for the body to heal and rebuild. And, he said, adequate protein also helps in fighting infections.

You may have heard that quinoa — a grain native to South America — is a “complete protein.” But what does that mean? According to the WebMD, a complete protein has 20 different amino acids — organic compounds sometimes referred to as the building blocks of life. The human body makes 11 of them on its own, but the other nine have to come from food.

### Healthy proteins

People who eat meat usually don’t have any trouble getting complete proteins — they’re in fish, poultry, beef, pork, eggs and dairy. You can also find them in soy products, like tofu or edamame (soybeans).

Whether you’re cutting down on meat for health reasons or environmental concerns, it’s nice to see some other options — how much tofu can you eat, really? WebMD points out that “NASA uses quinoa to feed astronauts on long-term space missions,” precisely because it is such a good source of protein. It also has fiber that’s essential for good digestion and can help with cholesterol and blood sugar issues.

You can find quinoa near the rice in most grocery stores. It’s quick-cooking (15



minutes) and takes on a nice, nutty flavor when properly prepared.

### Pay attention to details

The recipe calls for rinsing the quinoa. Why? Because it’s got a bitter substance called saponin that’s a natural defense against insects. But before you go to the trouble, read the packaging. A lot of quinoa comes pre-rinsed, including the boil-in-bag types you might find. If you’re not sure, rinse it with cold water and then pour into a fine-mesh bowl.

Let it drain for several minutes before adding it to the olive oil in the pan, or you’ll have a lot of spattering. Toasting it brings out its nutty flavor, so don’t skip that

step.

Now, let’s talk about the garlic. According to the recipe, you’re adding a whole clove to the olive oil. If you want a stronger flavor, you can chop or mince it. The low-sodium vegetable broth lets you decide how much salt to add.

If you can’t find grape tomatoes, cherry tomatoes are fine. Just try to avoid cutting them up, as they will make the dish soggy. Play around with the cheese — if you don’t care for goat cheese, a low-fat or fat-free feta would also work.

And of course, you should omit the walnuts if you’re allergic.

Add garlic and cook for one or two more minutes.

Add the vegetable broth and bring to boil. Cover and simmer over medium heat until broth is absorbed, about 15 minutes.

Once the quinoa is cooked, add the spinach and tomatoes directly to skillet. Toss over medium heat until spinach is wilted and tomatoes are warm.

Add the walnuts and goat cheese. Garnish with fresh basil.

### Nutrition Facts

Serving size	1 cup   Serves 5
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in bed for about two minutes and get the blood moving,” she urged. After you sit up, scoot to the edge of the bed and move your

feet and legs around for two more minutes, then stand up and “give the blood a little time to get caught up with your brain,” Gallegos said. Because nobody wants to greet a new day with a sudden fall.

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# HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

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labrum, the rubbery tissue at the rim of the shoulder joint which keeps the ball in the socket, and lines the hip socket, where the head of the femur, or thighbone, rests.

He explained, “When I have a patient with moderate arthritis or ligament tears, rather than performing surgery, I can use healthy cells from their own body to stimulate healing. The range of response varies, but is significant.” He said he uses “liposuction aspirates,” which means he extracts the patient’s fat stem cells and then re-injects them where they’re needed to stimulate the repair of arthritic cartilage and bone.

### Minimally invasive

Not a lot of doctors are doing this kind of restorative work, said Gularte, but his confidence comes from the results he’s seen.



Dr. Gularte and his family enjoying the local scenery.

“I learned about this approach when working with a rheumatologist in Scottsdale,” he said. “He had patients for whom no other treatments had worked. As I worked with him, he shared amazing stories about people for whom the regenerative procedure was life-changing.”

Gularte’s expertise in regenerative medicine is supported by his training in fluoroscopy — imaging that shows a continuous X-ray on a monitor — which enables him to determine the exact location into which he will make an injection.

“Injectable therapy is a nonoperative, minimally invasive technique,” said Gularte. “It helps musculoskeletal injuries — damage to bones, cartilage, ligaments, tendons and connective tissues — heal faster, thereby improving function, and quality of life.”

Gularte’s injectable therapies include introducing platelet-rich plasma to the injured site by using ultra-concentrated blood platelets, five to 10 times what you’d normally find in blood. The platelets are injected only in areas of the body which typically have poor blood supply, such as tendons, ligaments and the meniscus cartilage in the knee.

“These concentrated platelets send a signal to the body to stimulate an area to regenerate. This is an alert that this area needs more attention,” he said. “When I direct platelets into an area that has damage, I am telling the blood supply to recruit more energy to heal that area. The body always tries to heal itself. I’m trying to give it a push to do so.”

### Surgical repair

This works best with tennis elbow or a torn meniscus, Gularte said. But it won’t work when the tear is extensive, or the patient needs a knee or shoulder replacement.

“If a patient has a massive meniscal tear, a surgeon will go in and repair it,” he said. “When we can do regenerative intervention alongside that surgery to support healing, the outcome is better. It’s not an either/or — surgical or regenerative intervention. It’s very much on a case-by-case basis, and finding what’s going to be the best solution to improve function.”

Gularte’s process involves investigating the source of pain by using imagery like an MRI. Then he can inject tissue directly into the injured site to encourage pain relief and stimulate healing.

“Residual pain is an indication of inflammation,” he said. “Our goal is to improve the body’s ability to heal that area. Pain is very complicated. We don’t always know why certain inflammation causes so much pain, but by in-

jecting the body’s own healing factor — platelet-rich plasma — we can stimulate a positive healing response.”

Gularte said his medical practice has never been busier, and he believes this is because patients who need help have begun to learn about regenerative therapy.

“I treat everyone with any kind of pain in the body, from migraines to joint pain to nerve pain,” he said. “At Monterey Spine & Joint, we are all interventional spine and joint practitioners, but there are different ways to treat the issues. Some of us are more focused on regenerative treatments.”

When not on the job, Gularte turns his attention to his wife, Nadira, and their two young daughters.

“My girls are the light of my life,” he said. “We spend a lot of time at the ballet studio, which I don’t mind. I was ‘Fritz’ in The Nutcracker, myself, as a kid in Salinas. I still love to dance. I also like to hike, trail-run, and kayak in this paradise we call home.”



Dr. Nicholas Gularte

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cess can be challenging, but with adequate nutrition, the experience can be less difficult. Keep in mind that some of the recommended foods mentioned may not interact favorably with medications you may be prescribed and certain procedures, like bariatric surgery, require very specific nutritional guidelines that shouldn’t be deviated from. When in doubt, ask your physician for referral to a registered dietitian for more personalized guidance.

Fuad Al Qudsi is a registered dietitian nutritionist in Carmel. Contact him at [fuadfit.com](http://fuadfit.com).

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THE SECOND offering in a concert series that kicked off in May, “Music in the Forest” returns to the Forest Theater Oct. 22-23.

include **Chris Cain** and **Red Beans and Rice**.

While most of the acts are familiar to local music fans, River Voices is a new group that formed during Covid. Its members include singers **Lyla Englehorn, Kate Faber, Jaqui Hope, Linda Arceo** and **Vera Marie Bridges**.

The two-day gathering comes five months after promoter **Steve Vagnini** introduced the first installment of a concert series that featured the Hayley Jane Band and others. “I would like to invite everyone to a couple of really special concerts featuring a myriad of talented local musicians, plus a long-time favorite who is an internationally known blues guitarist,” Vagnini said.

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Monterey, which mentors young people through music.

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### ■ Bright Eyes visit Monterey

An indie folk-rock trio from Nebraska that generated a buzz in the early 2000s, **Bright Eyes** makes its local debut Tuesday when it plays at the Golden State Theater

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## On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

Saturday’s lineup includes **The Hayley Jane Band, River Voices** and an acoustic duo, singer **Miranda Perl** and guitarist **Adam Astrup**, while Sunday’s performers



A Celtic trio (left) that includes a father, fiddler John Weed, his son, multi-instrumentalist Tyler Weed, and guitarist Stuart Mason plays Saturday at St. Mary’s By-the-Sea in Pacific Grove. The Hayley Jane Band (above) and a new local group, River Voices (right), perform Saturday at Forest Theater in the latest installment of the “Music in the Forest” concert series, which continues Sunday at the same venue.

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## More Halloween fun, orange wine, best restaurants, and menu updates

LOCALS WHO love Halloween can revel in the fact that the Monterey Peninsula provides plenty of party opportunities, starting with the Monterey Bay Aquarium's popular annual gathering for members and all sorts of other things through the end of the month.

The Monterey Bay Aquarium — or “Monsterey Boo Ascaryum” — on Cannery Row offers two family-friendly Halloween Member Parties Oct. 22 and 29, each running from 7 to 10 p.m., and invites guests to “show off your costumes in an aquarium full of your favorite people all dressed up.”

Each night includes a DJ, treats for kids, food and drink available for purchase in the café at the usual member discount, and other entertainment.

“Whether you’re going as an ocean animal or a Halloween favorite, we can’t wait to sea you,” aquarium officials said.

Costumes must be family-friendly and

may not contain any weapons, including toys or replicas that resemble weapons, or any sharp or pointy objects. Costume masks can only be worn for photos.

The parties are for members only, so to join, go to [montereybayaquarium.org/join-give/become-a-member](http://montereybayaquarium.org/join-give/become-a-member). To register for one of the parties, visit [montereybayaquarium.org/visit/hours-schedule/special-events/halloween-member-night](http://montereybayaquarium.org/visit/hours-schedule/special-events/halloween-member-night).

### Witches feast

Earthbound's Witches Feast will have witches, warlocks and their friends and families gathering for a “spooktastic” dinner in the pavilion at the Carmel Valley farm stand Oct. 29 from 6 to 8 p.m.

“Bring your broom, your groom, or whoever you fancy for an evening of organic delight and fright,” Earthbound Farm says.

The menu is set to include appetizers of baked pears with blue cheese, deviled

eggs, and shishito peppers, followed by salads of spinach with candied pecans and beets, and grilled radicchio, radish, pomegranate and pumpkin. Sides of quinoa with pumpkin and garden herbs and carrots with honey butter and orange complement main courses of chicken pot pie and cauliflower steaks, with “Adam’s Poison Apple” for dessert.

The \$65-per-person cost includes dinner, dessert, sangria, apple cider and “our signature fancy herb water.”

The farm stand is located at 7250 Carmel Valley Road. Tickets are available at [earthboundfarmstand.eventbrite.com](http://earthboundfarmstand.eventbrite.com).

### Brunching

At the Covey Grill in Quail Lodge in Carmel Valley, a “spooky, haunted Halloween brunch” will be offered for kids and adults.

The menu that morning will include “eyeball shakshuka” with bell peppers, olives, feta, sriracha and baked quail egg

## Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

on toasted olive bread for \$17, a Mini Monster Breakfast Sandwich Trio of mini bagels with scrambled egg, smoked ham, cheddar and aioli (\$14), “candy corn” waffles with candied pecans and maple syrup for \$15, and “spiderweb pancakes” with Oreo crumbs and sugar frosting, also for \$15.

The Covey's regular breakfast menu will be available, too. For reservations and more information, go to [quail-lodge.com/special-offers/dining-offers/halloween-brunch](http://quail-lodge.com/special-offers/dining-offers/halloween-brunch).

### Hot spot

Estéban restaurant in the Casa Munras hotel will hold its 3rd Annual Halloween Costume Party — “the Halloween hot spot for pets and their people” — Oct. 31 from 4:30 to 9 p.m.

Guests can order off the regular seasonal dinner menu, which features items like lightly fried Spanish octopus with remoulade sauce, house-made pork empanadas, Westholme Wagyu bavette steak over crispy artichoke hearts, and seafood paella.

Humans are encouraged to dress up with their four-legged friends — who have a menu tailored to them, too — and “join us to celebrate a howling good time” on the restaurant patio. Those who post photos taken at Estéban on social

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The Monterey Bay Aquarium hosts members and their families for two free Halloween costume parties among the sea creatures (left), while pups get dressed up for Estéban restaurant's annual costume party on the patio (above).

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media, tag @estebanrestaurant and use hashtag #HowloweenAtEsteban will be entered to win a \$75 gift card, with the winner announced Tuesday.

Estéban is located at 700 Munras Ave. To make a reservation, call (831) 375-0176.

**Golden Pine Cones**

The Carmel Pine Cone's annual award winners won't be announced for another week, and it will be especially exciting to see which business won Best Restaurant in Carmel, considering how many venues received votes for that accolade this year.

The list of "nominees" includes

Alvarado St. Brewery, Anton & Michel, Aubergine, Basil, Bistro Giovanni, Cantinetta Luca, Casanova, Dametra, Dutch Door Donuts, Edwin's, Enzo, Flying Fish Grill, Forge in the Forest, Grasing's, Hog's Breath Inn and Il Fornaio.

Not to mention Il Tegamino, L'Escargot, La Balena, La Bicyclette, Le Soufflé, Little Napoli, Mission Ranch, Pangaea Grill, Patisserie Boissiere, The Pocket, PortaBella, Rio Grill, Robata Grill and Sake Bar, Seventh & Dolores, Stationaery, Sur, Tommy's Wok, Toro, Treehouse and Vesuvio.

The Golden Pine Cones special section will run in the Oct. 28 issue.

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## Orange Wine Night

Stationary restaurant (San Carlos between Fifth and Sixth) will host Orange

Wine Night for next week's installment of Wine Wednesday, Oct. 26 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Orange wines are made from white grape varietals, but unlike the production of typical white wines, the grapes are crushed and the juice is fermented in

contact with the skins for days, weeks or months. The result is often a more complex and flavorful wine with an orange hue that varies depending on the amount of skin contact.

The tasting of six wines will cost \$78 per person and will include "fall-inspired bites, wine and good company with neighbors and hospitality professionals."

Chef Amalia Scatena will prepare appe-

"NFL Sunday Ticket is also being shown on four HDTVs between our bar and the Beergarden lounge every Sunday until the end of the season," owner Sean Allen said, so fans can watch their favorite teams play when those games are not broadcast on regular network TV.

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Quail Lodge offers a spooky Halloween brunch Oct. 30, with playful dishes like cobweb pancakes (above left), and Rio Grill has a few new seasonal dishes, including this seafood trio, on its menu.



tizers to enjoy throughout, including popcorn with fennel pollen, escabeche with rock shrimp and pumpkin, spiced lamb with yogurt and pomegranate, and grilled cheese with apple butter.

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breakfast for dinner, and Thursday is our German-style schnitzel special," he continued. "Cheers to good weather in Carmel Valley with good food and beer!"

For more information on the café, which is located at 3 Del Fino Place, visit [trailsidecafevc.com](http://trailsidecafevc.com) or call (831) 298-7453.

## NFL Sunday Ticket

The final two Beergarden weekends of the season at the Trailside Café in Carmel Valley Village are fast approaching, with live music Friday and Saturday nights from 6 to 9 and brunch served from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays through the end of October.

## New dishes

Chef Soerke Peters, owner of Mezzaluna Pasteria & Mozzarella Bar in Pacific Grove with partner Amy Stouffer, has tweaked the restaurant's menu for fall and winter. Savory parmesan gelato with balsamic gelee is back on the menu, served

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with crostini adorned with quince compote, and he's subbed out the gorgonzola dolce sauce on his pillowy gnocchi for brown butter and sage with parmesan.

Burrata is served with wild mushrooms and Tuscan kale instead of heirloom tomato sauce, and three new pasta dishes feature Maine lobster, seared ahi, and pumpkin and ricotta. Mafaldine di Carota con Coniglio is "a wintry dish with wide-ribbon carrot pasta, braised rabbit, roasted artichokes, sage and pine nuts."

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

### Elsewhere

Rio Grill and Tarpys also announced recent menu changes. For the fall and winter season, the Rio is focusing on prawns, mussels, clams and Wagyu beef sirloin, while Tarpys is pivoting to sturgeon and New Zealand rack of lamb.

Specifically, the shellfish figure in the Rio Grill's seafood trio appetizer with wine-saffron-tomato broth and grilled sourdough. The seasonal menu also lists butternut squash gnocchi, wild mushroom and spinach risotto, white sturgeon with apple fennel slaw and cauliflower purée, and wood-fired Wagyu sirloin. The Rio Grill is located in the Crossroads shopping center (riogrill.com or (831) 625-5436).

Tarpys also offers sturgeon, pan-seared with lentil "cassoulet," and rack of lamb with Yukon Gold potato purée and roasted baby vegetables. White chocolate bread pudding has made it onto the menu there, as well. To reach Tarpys, which is located on Highway 68 at Canyon del Rey, call (831) 647-1444 or visit tarpys.com.

### Ami ribbon cutting

Toro Sushi, Wild Plum Catering and

Café Guarani will provide small bites while Scheid, Folktale and Dawn's Dream share wines for the Carmel and Monterey Peninsula chambers of commerce ribbon cutting at Ami Carmel on Dolores Street between Fifth and Sixth Oct. 27 from 5 to 7 p.m.

The event, which is free, will help introduce "the dedicated team of heart-centered, creative, positive, dog-loving women" involved in Ami to the community, including merchandise coordinator Cynthia Bianchetta, sales associates Carol Veroz and Janet Wirtz, owner Annee Martin and manager Meredith Ellis.

Martin, who founded Sanctuary Vacation Rentals in 2007, has enjoyed a diverse and rich career as a psychotherapist, innkeeper, professional chef, cookbook author, interior designer and stager, and now, boutique owner. She bought Ami with a few partners and went on to become sole owner in July. Martin said she plans to continue and expand Ami's community-building and philanthropic efforts. Find more information at amicarmel.com.

### Planning ahead

Thanksgiving is more than a month away, but Café Carmel on Ocean Avenue is already taking orders for pies, breads, cookies and other treats to serve at those prodigious holiday meals.

The original bakery was founded at that location nearly 70 years ago, and Sarah Cook took it over in July 2019, seeking to transform her café into "a village gathering spot serving both sweet and savory delicacies." She offers breakfast, lunch and brunch.

And for Thanksgiving, the lineup of bakery items available for advance ordering includes pumpkin, apple and pecan pies, pumpkin bread, orange-cranberry bread, cheesecakes, quiches and holiday cookies. Call (831) 624-3870 or visit cafe-carmel.com.



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# MUSIC

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in Monterey.

Led by founder, singer, songwriter and guitarist **Conor Oberst**, the band also includes longtime members multi-instrumentalist **Mike Mogis** and keyboardist **Nate Walcott**.

Bright Eyes' 2007 LP, "Cassadaga," was its biggest hit, rising to No. 4 on the Billboard album charts. The previous year, the band was named Artist of the Year by the Independent Music Awards.

Showtime is 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$34.50. The theater is located at 417 Alvarado St. Call (831) 649-1070.

## ■ Weeds play St. Mary's

Fiddler **John Weed**, his son, multi-instrumentalist **Tyler Weed**, and guitarist **Stuart Mason** play Celtic music Saturday at St. Mary's-by-the-Sea in Pacific Grove.

The elder Weed and Mason are members of Molly's Revenge, which has been on hiatus since the departure of longtime piper **David Brewer**.

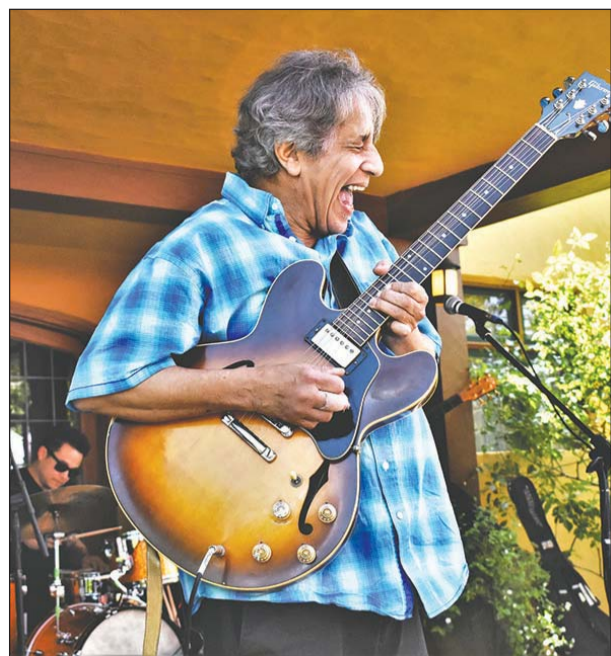
Also performing will be students of the Community Music School of Santa Cruz. "It will be a fun and lively evening full of great music and youthful energy, at a family-affordable ticket price," Jackie Pierce of St. Mary's told The Pine Cone.

The music starts at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$28 for adults and \$15 for children. The church is located at 12th and Central.

## ■ Live music Oct. 21-27

**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** (classical, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kevin Pfeffer** (Saturday at noon), pianist **Michael Culver** (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **John Sherry** (folk, rock and blues, Sunday at 9 a.m. and Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Johan**



One of the San Francisco Bay area's premier blues musicians, singer and guitarist Chris Cain takes the stage Sunday at the Forest Theater.

**Sotelo** (Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). On Carmel Valley Road at Laureles Grade.

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

**Cibo** restaurant in Monterey — **The Dave Holdiloff 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.

**Cuz's Sportsman's Club** in Seaside — **Meez** (rock, Friday at 8 p.m.), **Black Velvet** ("classic hard rock," Saturday at 8 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 **Trio** (jazz and blues, Sunday at 11 a.m.), guitarist **Richard Devinck** (classical, Sunday at 6 p.m.) and singer **Lee Durley** and pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). Lincoln and Seventh.

**Deja Blue** in Seaside — singer **Yolandra Rhondes**, singer and pianist **Scotty Wright**, bassist **David Daniels** and drummer **Leon Joyce Jr.** (jazz, Saturday at 3 p.m.). 500 Broadway.

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**Folkale Winery** in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Alex Lucero** (Friday at 4 p.m.) and **Dreamsong** featuring singer and multi-instrumentalist **Kristen Marie** and guitarist **Kelsey Mayer** (“symphonic rock,” Sunday at 2 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

**Gusto Pasta and Pizza** in Seaside — singer and guitarist **Al James** and bassist **Jesse DeCarlo** (jazz, Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). 1901 Fremont Blvd.

**The Henry Miller Library** in Big Sur — **Magenta Spreen** (“dreamy soundscapes and vocal harmonies,” Friday at 7 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Patrick Watson** (Saturday at 6 p.m.). On Highway 1 28 miles south of Rio Road.

**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** — multi-instrumentalist **Gary Regina** (jazz, Friday at 5 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kevin Pfeffer** (Saturday at 5 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Steven Shook** (Thursday at 5 p.m.). 1 Old Golf Course Road, (831) 372-1234.

**Julia’s Vegetarian Restaurant** in Pacific Grove — singer and guitarist **Rags Rosenberg** (folk, 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.

**The 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.), **The Andy Weis Band** with pianist **Gary Meek** and bassist **Dan Robbins** (jazz, Saturday at 7 p.m.) and **The Andy Weis Band** with pianist **Gary Meek** and bassist **Steve Uccello** (jazz, Thursday at 7 p.m.). 2700 17 Mile Drive.

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

**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** — **Chuck Brewer Band** (rock and blues, Friday at 7:30 p.m.) and **Open Mic Night** (Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.). Carmel Plaza, Mission and Ocean.

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

**Lucy’s On Lighthouse** in Pacific Grove — **King Bee** (rock and blues, Saturday at 2 p.m.) and **The Rogue Roosters** (rock and 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 — saxophonist **Gary Meek** and guitarist **Bruce Forman** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.) and singer **Miranda Perl** and guitarist **Adam Astrup** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St.

**Mission Ranch** — singer and pianist **Maddaline 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.), pianist **Steve Mann** (rock, jazz and r&b, Sunday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Steven Shook** (Monday at 6:30 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Casey Wickstrom** (rock and blues, Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.), multi-instrumentalist **Dave Holodiloff** (jazz and bluegrass, Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.) and guitarist **John Sherry** (folk, rock and blues, Thursday at 6:30 p.m.). 400 Cannery Row.

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# Gallery Mar celebrates women on the local art scene

A DOZEN artists share their latest creations in the show "Creative Women III," which opens Friday at Gallery Mar.

Subtitled "New Work by Twelve Regional Female Artists," the exhibit includes pieces by Nicole Cromwell, Karen Folgner, Hilary Gomes, Hannah Grothberg, Rose Hagan, Rosalie Lang, Cynthia Minoli, Rumiko Okkerse, Robin Sawyer, Lesley Anne Spowart, Kathryn Stotler and Nicole Strasburg. The artists were selected through a jury

"Bruce and Judy encourage audience participation and questions about their line of work, almost like you're sitting in a bar somewhere sipping good whiskey," the center said. "This exciting conversation about war and journalism is not to be missed."

The online talk, which starts at 2 p.m. on Oct. 21, is free for members and \$5 for non-members.

The following Thursday, photographer Nicole Jean Hill also presents an online talk.

"With an anthropological approach to image making, Hill is an artist who uses photography and video to explore familiar spaces and activities within the American cultural and natural landscape," according to the center.

Her talk will be Oct. 27 at 2 p.m. It is also free for members but costs \$10 for non-members.

For links to the lectures, go to photography.org.

## Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

process.

Gallery co-owner and director Thomas Cushman told The Pine Cone that many artistic mediums are represented in the show.

"We have artists working in acrylic, in oil, we have a glass artist, an artist creating incredibly delicate and complex work in fabric, and we have an encaustic painter," Cushman said. "You will see abstract work and representational paintings, you will find dogs and roses and flower-covered people. It's a wonderfully diverse and high quality show."

Hosting a reception Friday at 5 p.m., the gallery is located on the west side of Dolores between Ocean and Seventh. The display continues through Nov. 11.

### Photo lectures and good whiskey

The Center for Photographic Art's online lecture series continues when award-winning photojournalists and war photographers Bruce Haley and Judy Walgren present a talk Friday.

Haley was awarded the Robert Capa Gold Medal in 1990 for his coverage of the ethnic civil war in Burma, while Walgren is a Pulitzer Prize-winning photojournalist who teaches at Michigan State University.



"Seven Roses" by painter Hilary Gomes is included in a show opening Friday at Gallery Mar on Dolores between Ocean and Seventh. Gomes is just one of a dozen women participating in the display.

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# ARTIST

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reliably regenerative for Osborne.

"Nature has restored me every time that I've felt completely down and out," she said. "It always comes to the rescue."

The success she enjoyed as an architect might have surprised those who knew her in her youth, when, by Osborne's own admission, she was messy, disorganized, unmotivated and a poor student.

### 'The nuns had had enough'

"I went to Santa Catalina School from first grade through the 11th grade, and by then, the nuns had had enough of me," she said with a laugh. "I spent my senior year at a boarding school back East, and as the principal handed me my diploma, he literally said, 'Well, she might be able to do something someday.'"

"I guess I was a late bloomer."

After high school, Osborne studied photography at the San Francisco Art Institute, worked without enthusiasm as a wedding photographer, then began shooting photos for an architect in Napa Valley.

"I really started appreciating what he was doing, started working for him as a draftsman, then went to graduate school for architecture."

After retiring from her 36-year career as an architect in 2019 with husband Tim Curnen (a screenwriter, film editor, and film teacher at the University of Southern California), they moved onto the Carmel Valley land they share with her three siblings, (Charley, Susan and Ellen), and renovated the studio where she creates her art.

The property — formerly her grandfather's summer home — includes a vintage swimming pool, still in use, where Hollywood legends Esther Williams, Errol Flynn, Jean Harlow and many others once played.

"When Tim retired from teaching, we both threw away our shingles, and I decided it would be wonderful to become a full-time artist, without the stress of running an architecture business anymore," she said.

The process of creating three-dimensional art feels much different than painting, said Osborne, but each has its place.

"When you're painting, the conversation between you and your art is quicker, but whether I paint or not depends on my mood," she said.

"Sculpture is something I pretty much want to do all the time, because it's fun to play in dirt," she added.

### Expressionist watercolors

Osborne's watercolor portfolio includes brilliantly colorful, expressionist-style seascapes, landscapes, trees and still lifes.

Treasures from her 2,500-degree kiln include functional pieces with titles like "Mount Shasta Juicer," "Sycamore Jar," "Venus Gravy Catcher," dozens of ornately painted coffee cups and a dark closet illuminated by small, glowing, hand-painted, globe-style lamps.

Much of Osborne's work has been collected by former architecture clients and industry acquaintances, she said.

Images of her art and additional information can be found at [osborneart.net](http://osborneart.net).

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without her shirt on.

The noise was coming from his electric reclining bed.



# HISTORY

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Jordan's community activities did not diminish his business interests. In May 1924, he purchased five lots on Ocean Avenue west of the Pine Inn, between Monte Verde and Casanova. On these, he built a group of cottages as an added alternative for guests of the inn. In 1926, with the assistance of M.J. Murphy, Jordan expanded the Pine Inn with a two-story, 40-room structure on the Monte Verde side that connected with the lobby and dining room.

## Elected to council

In 1926, Jordan entered the race for Carmel's board of trustees. He was one of eight candidates for three seats. Board president William Kibbler was the only incumbent running. In the April election, citizens expressed their opinion that it was time for a change. Kibbler received only 88 votes. Jordan was the top vote-getter with 253 votes, which also made him president of the board. Coming in second, with 228 votes, was retired businessman George L. Wood, who was also president of the Carmel Protective League, which the prior October had opposed house numbers. Third, with 203 votes, was capitalist Alfred K.

Miller. Coming in fourth, with 193 votes, was Fenton Foster, which was significant as Miller stepped down for health reasons just a few months after the election. Foster, a building and loan officer who also produced light opera at the Forest Theatre, was sworn in to replace him.

It was the most pro-business board in the city's decade-long history. During a May 1926 gathering of city leaders, Jordan remarked, "We are a growing community. Problems are arising that are beginning to worry us — traffic regulation, public health, streets, building. We must work together to solve these problems."

While the new board agreed with many of the old Carmel priorities, it was intent on paving more streets and improving drains and the disposal of sewage. A new state planning law in 1927 led the council to rewrite Carmel's



John Jordan

zoning ordinances.

These city "improvements" riled old-timers like former mayor Newberry, who was by then the publisher of The Pine Cone. Newberry was unsuccessful in his 1928 attempt to get the candidates he supported elected and change the council. In fact, Ross Bonham, a Newberry opponent, was elected mayor. Newberry was more aggressive in 1930. He supported Jordan as the only incumbent running and successfully got him re-elected, but Heron got more votes, which made him the new mayor. Each of the three served the next four years but did not run for re-election. Jordan remained active in Republican politics on a state and regional level, but never again ran for office.

## Happy to see it refurbished

In March 1940, Jordan sold the cottages west of Pine Inn to a real estate group headed by Tiley Ford. Ford's brother, Byington, of Carmel Realty, took over their management and eventual upgrades. At the same time, Jordan began discussing the sale of Pine Inn to Harrison Godwin, who, along with his brother Fred, had inherited La Playa hotel in 1923. Godwin and Jordan agreed the hotel needed work, and soon came to terms. The Pine Inn passed to Harrison Godwin in August 1940. Jordan died of a heart attack in 1943, but had been happy to see his old Pine Inn refurbished during the first few years of Godwin's ownership.

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DL Investment Enterprises to Meghann Lomas and Erik De Brun

APN: 009-041-008

**Junipero Street, 4 NE of 10th Avenue — \$2,480,000**

Dung Nguyen and Mirco Horst to Song Modern LLC

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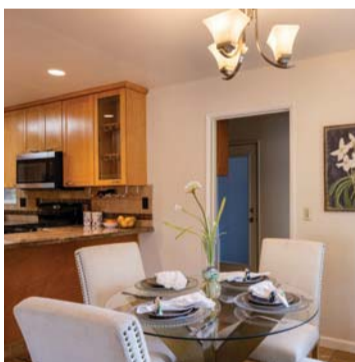
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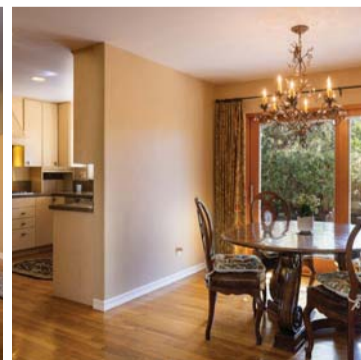
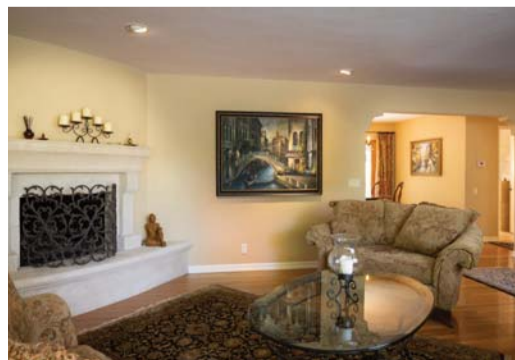


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**46 Hacienda Carmel — \$735,000**

Patrick and Mi Clark to Dayna Irvine

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**3850 Rio Road unit 67 — \$920,000**

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BEFORE

## Eavesdropping on a four-party line

MY NEW smartphone arrived the other day. It is a new old phone, which leaves me only six generations away from the latest model of that ubiquitous device. Looking at it made me realize how much phones have evolved from the first one we owned. That device was black and boxy with a rotary dial. I was too young to have anyone to call, but I remember lifting the receiver often to make sure the dial tone was still there. Even at an early age, I somehow understood that the dial tone was a link to everyone we knew.

My mother placed the phone on an end table. My two older brothers and I sat on the floor staring at it as if it were an oracle that would foretell the direction our lives were about to take.

### Hello, operator?

We had a four-party line. Three other phones located in three other homes used the same line we did. Each had different phone numbers. Anyone calling us while one of the other party members was using the phone got a busy signal. There were no area codes either. Your local operator contacted a long-distance operator in order to place a call to another city. You gave the long-distance operator the city and number. She made the connection. It was expensive. Long-distance calls often meant bad news. People only called long distance when someone was deathly ill or had died. Or we used it as a signal. When my father was traveling, he would have the long distance operator ask for himself, letting my mother know he had arrived safely, avoiding a charge for a completed call.

My grandmother lived with us. She was in her 70s and spoke English haltingly with a thick Italian accent. I remember the first time she tried to call her sister in Boston. Her side of the conversation with the

operator went something like this:

"A-I-lo, Oper-a-ra-tion? I wanna call Carmella inna Boston."

"What's her number?" I imagine the operator asked.

"She's a number two 'cause Ima the old-

## Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVASE

est," said Grandma.

"Here Grandma, let me help," one of us from the younger generation would finally say.

It was devilish fun listening in on the phone conversations of the other party members. I remember two of them, a lady named Irma and a man named Jack. Irma was a hypochondriac. Jack was an inveterate gambler who was always trying to reach his bookie. One day I was listening to Irma. My mother wasn't home — she'd smack me with a yardstick if she caught me. Then Jack picked up. Irma was talking to her friend Sadie, no poster girl for healthy living herself.

"All I want him to do is give me a prescription for some sleeping pills," Irma said.

### Stifling giggles

"Why don't you just dump that quack," Sadie was advising, "he wouldn't know insomnia if it kept him awake all night."

"Hey, ladies can I use the phone, please? It's very important," Jack cut in.

"Oh, is this Jack, like in Jackass?" Irma said.

"Get off the line, creep," Sadie yelled.

"Be reasonable ladies," said Jack, "I really have to make an urgent call."

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4041 Los Altos Drive, Pebble Beach — \$2,400,000



1124 Balboa Avenue, Pacific Grove — \$2,750,000

# ESCROWS

From page 4RE

## Carmel Valley (con't.)

### 9361 Holt Road — \$1,725,000

David and Donna Roth to Sanjim LLC  
APN: 416-551-009

### 25738 Tierra Grande Drive — \$2,260,000

Philip Daunt and Beckett Trust to David Hahn and Joanne Chung  
APN: 169-251-001

### 25340 Vista del Pinos — \$3,600,000

Eric Allen and Jennifer Marler to Matthew and Gleidy Wetzel  
APN: 015-061-008

## Highway 68

### 19317 Creekside Circle — \$750,000

John and Katherine Limbeson to Alexander and Clara Cornish  
APN: 161-481-009

## Marina

### 177 Dolphin Circle — \$829,000

Elizabeth McInnis to Coochart Pinthukars  
APN: 033-076-072

### Imjin Road — \$846,500

Shea Homes LP to Jason Barraca  
APN: 031-101-054

### 282 9th Street — \$1,013,000

Shea Homes LP to Joosik Choi  
APN: 031-257-049

### Imjin Road — \$1,060,000

Shea Homes LP to John Epega  
APN: 031-101-054

### Imjin Road — \$1,162,000

Shea Homes LP to William Bembo  
APN: 031-101-054

### 3015 Pinnacles Way — \$1,461,000

JPA Marina Builders to David Wisneski  
APN: 031-279-022

## Monterey

### 344 Casa Verde Way unit 4 — \$619,000

Zachary Moody to Chunying Li  
APN: 013-095-004

### 1 Fern Street — \$760,000

John Villalpando to Daniel Trautman  
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### 885 Grace Street — \$1,025,000

Dennis Appel to Nexthome Managements LLC  
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# POLICE LOG

From page 4A

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

**Carmel Valley:** Fraudulent activity reported on Carmel Valley Road. The victim received an email, and she called a number on the email, which was fraud.

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6

**Pacific Grove:** Theft of packages at Arkwright Court over a one-month timeframe. No suspect information.

**Carmel area:** A Rio Road business requested an individual be admonished for trespassing.

**Big Sur:** A friend reported his friend missing from the Big Sur area.

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of an in-progress domestic dispute at Carmelo and Ninth at 0107 hours. Both parties were contacted, and after a full investigation, the male half was found to be the primary aggressor. The 50-year-old male was arrested and transported to county jail.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Property owner at Junipero and Eighth reported a fence post to have been vandalized after it was removed from the ground. There is no video or suspect information. Fence posts were not taken but just removed from the ground and left at property. It did not appear fence posts were cut or maliciously removed.

**Pacific Grove:** A vehicle stop was conducted for a traffic violation. The passenger

See **SHERIFF** page 11RE

# GERVASE

From page 6RE

somewhere.” Sadie laughed. I was covering my mouth and squirming with delight.

“C’mon, it will only take a minute and you can have the line right back.”

“That’s what you always say, you deadbeat,” said Irma.

“Deadbeat, who you calling a deadbeat, you nut-case? You want sleeping pills? I’ll give you a fist full to keep you quiet long enough so’s a reasonable person can use the phone.”

I couldn’t hold back my laughter.

“Are you listening in, you little brat? Hang up or I’ll tell your mother and she’ll beat your bony behind,” Irma screamed at me. Uh, oh, I was caught.

“Darn kids, no respect for their elders,” Jack said.

Uniting Jack and Irma against a common enemy was not good strategy. I hung up.

It was pure luxury when we got a private line, but it also wasn’t the same as having Irma and Jack to eavesdrop on. And I missed listening to Irma complain about her aches and pains to Sadie.

### Connected to home

Now I have no landline. I use my cell phone exclusively. If Grandma were alive she could have Siri call Carmella in Boston. I miss the dial tone, but when I lock my cell phone with a code, I use the same four numbers of our first phone. I believe it keeps me connected to a place that was home during some very good years of my life.

Can a place with such memories ever stop being home? Do we compare every place we’ve lived, to it? Is that the place we like best, or is it the comparing we like? I think I know the answers to all those questions but I’m not sure I can explain them to you. I don’t think I can explain them to myself.

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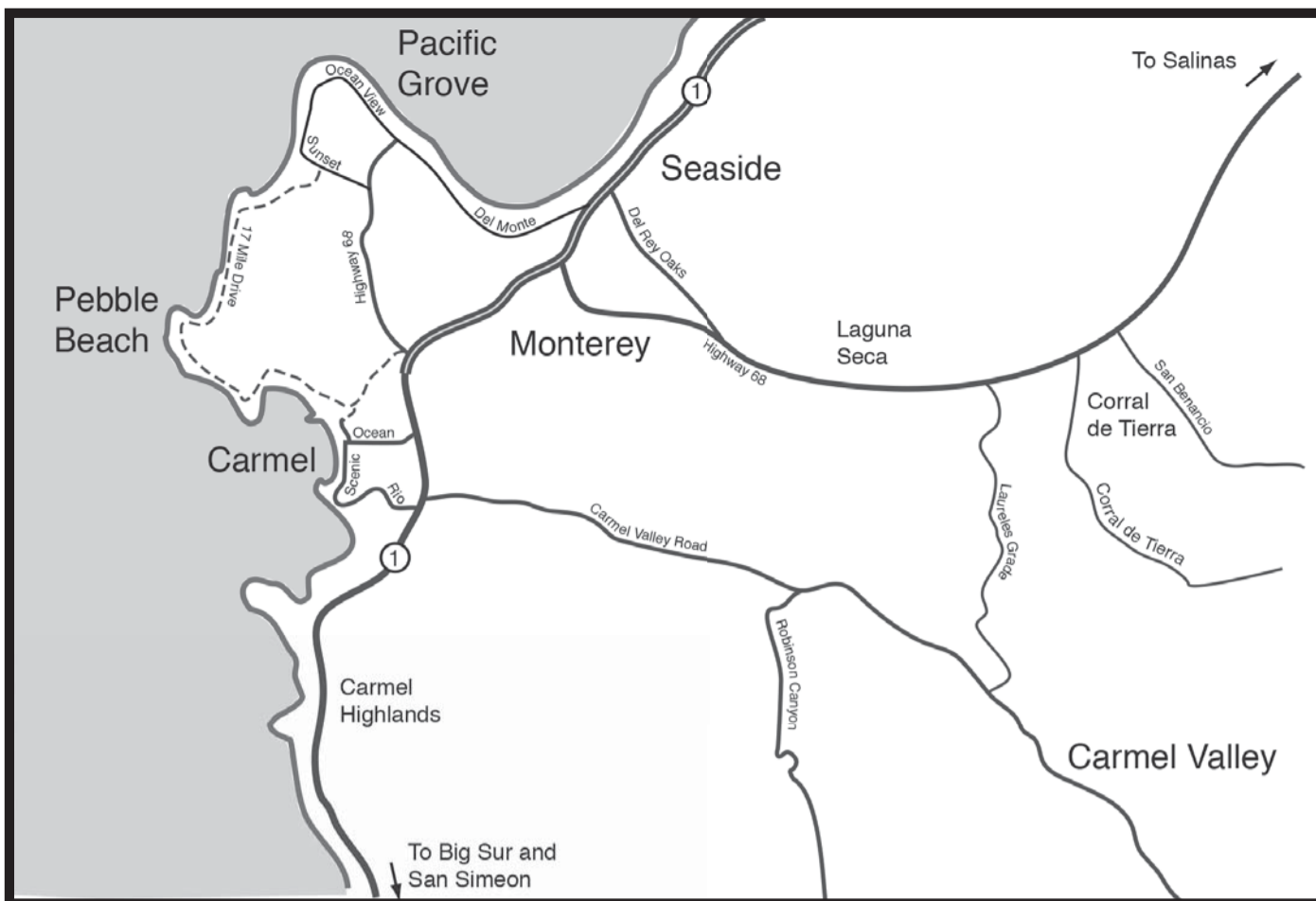
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\$6,500,000 5bd 3.5ba Sa 12-3  
1263 Sombria Ln Pebble Beach  
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19519 Creekside Ct Salinas  
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# SHERIFF

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had an outstanding arrest warrant and was booked into county jail.

**Pacific Grove:** A wallet was found and turned in to the police station by a citizen.

**Pacific Grove:** Property damage on Sunset Drive. Information only.

**Pacific Grove:** Miles Avenue resident is storing inoperable vehicles on the property and has dogs that are unlicensed with the city. Information only.

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Theft of a purse on Junipero south of Ocean and attempted use of credit cards.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Fall on city property on Ocean east of Lincoln.

**Pacific Grove:** Trespassing reported on Grand Avenue.

**Pacific Grove:** Domestic dispute on Grove Acre. Information only.

**Pacific Grove:** A 34-year-old male was booked into Monterey County Jail for violations of a domestic violence restraining order, failure to appear in court and carrying a concealed dirk or dagger.

**Carmel area:** A 33-year-old male was arrested at the Crossroads for trespassing after already being given an admonishment.

**Pebble Beach:** Deputies responded to a residence on Ballantre Lane on a report of a domestic dispute.

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Found cell phone at Carmel Beach.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Allegations of theft by a former employee under investigation. Trespass advisement at Casanova and 12th.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report taken for a found ring at Carmel Beach.

**Pacific Grove:** Report of a habitual barking dog on Junipero. Citation issued.

**Pacific Grove:** Graffiti to an apartment building on Grand Avenue. No suspect information.

**Carmel area:** A 33-year-old female was issued a citation for shoplifting at the Crossroads.

**Pacific Grove:** Deputies responded to a report of trespassing on Sunset Drive.

**Carmel Valley:** A 73-year-old male was arrested at Mid Valley Center for driving under the influence.

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 10

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Dog bite to a human on Ocean Avenue.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Theft reported at Ocean and San Carlos.

**Pebble Beach:** Crest Road resident reported a civil issue with a business partner.

**Carmel Valley:** Deputy was dispatched after report of vandalism of a vehicle on Carmel Valley Road.

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Male detained at San Carlos and Ninth after a report of a vehicle burglary/theft of a vehicle which was later determined to be unfounded. Information only.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A patrol officer responded to a whining dog on Lobos south of First. Officer observed a short amount of whining, but no one was home. A note was left at the front door. Animal control officer follow-up check was made the next day, and the owner was contacted. The dog appeared healthy, and possible solutions were discussed.

**Pacific Grove:** Consensual encounter resulting in the misdemeanor arrest of a 32-year-old Forest Avenue resident for failure to appear in court, and a missing person was located.

**Pacific Grove:** At approximately 1106 hours, officer was dispatched to the lobby of the Pacific Grove Police Department regarding ongoing harassment of a Grove Acre resident and stalking through the victim's cell phone. This report is for documentation only.

**Pacific Grove:** Traffic stop at Asilomar and Ocean View resulted in the arrest of a 28-year-old male for DUI. He was booked into Monterey County Jail.

**Carmel Valley:** A worksite burglary was

reported on Pilot Road. The lock was broken, and several tools were taken. There is no suspect information.

**Pebble Beach:** Business owner reported a civil dispute with an ex-employee on Ocean Pines Lane.

**Carmel Valley:** Child Protective Ser-

vices referral alleging physical abuse at a residence on Valle Vista road.

**Carmel Valley:** A female resident on Rancho San Carlos Road reported she received an inappropriate massage by a male masseur that made her feel uncomfortable. No prosecution desired.

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923 Alameda MON	\$1,500,000	1207 Presidio Blvd, PG	\$1,178,000
1121 Presidio Blvd, PG	\$1,050,000	313 14th St, PG	\$980,000
515 10th St, PG	\$979,000	519 7th St, PG	\$915,000
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20221932
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Carmel Bliss, 24502 Portola Ave, Carmel, CA, 93923.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20221963
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1. EMERALD HILL AUDIOLOGY 2. EMERALD HILL AUDIOLOGY, INC.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20222011
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: HEAVY THREADS PUBLISHING, Monte Verde St. NW Corner at 7th, Carmel By The Sea, CA 93921.

five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20221958
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PASTFUTURE LOGISTICS, 9015 Hidden Canyon Rd, Salinas, CA 93907.

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S/Dana K. Schwartz
Date signed: Oct. 3, 2022
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 3, 2022.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20221951
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ABDOMINAL DETOX CENTER, 6 Del Fino Place, Suite C, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20221878
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ZODIE PHOTOGRAPHY, 3323 Abdy Way, Apt. D, Marina, CA 93933.

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State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
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Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 1, 2013.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS BID NO. 22-06

For the Potrero Water Treatment Plant Building Project At Potrero Trail in The Santa Lucia Preserve

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Directors of the Santa Lucia Community Services District ("District") hereby calls for sealed bid proposals to be received by the Executive Assistant of the District, at the Gate House, One Rancho San Carlos Road, Carmel, California 93923 on or before Tuesday, November 7, 2022 at 4:00 PM U.S. Pacific Time Zone, verified at www.time.gov.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS: Sealed Proposals will be received at the office of Santa Lucia Preserve Community Services District (OWNER), located at 1 Rancho San Carlos Rd., Carmel, CA, 93923, until 4:00 PM, on November 7, 2022, Potrero Water Treatment Plant Building Project Proposal. Any proposals received after the specified date and time will not be considered.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Request for Proposals (RFP) is to select a GENERAL CONTRACTOR (GC) with demonstrated experience in constructing a building capable of housing equipment for treating potable groundwater using a permanent catalytic adsorptive media for iron and manganese removal. The selected GC will supply the labor and materials needed for the completion of the job to the OWNER as specified herein.

OBTAINING PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS: The proposal documents are titled "Santa Lucia Preserve Potrero Treatment Project. Building Proposal". Attached to the proposal documents are the conceptual design drawings for the treatment plant site. The proposal documents may be obtained at the Santa Lucia Preserve office at 1 Rancho San Carlos Road, Carmel, CA 93923.

SITE OF WORK: The treatment plant will be constructed on the Potrero Water Treatment Plant jobsite in Carmel, CA.

OPENING OF PROPOSALS: Proposals will be received and evaluated by the OWNER following the proposal receipt deadline. At 4:00 pm November 7, 2022 the Bid Proposals will be received by the Executive Assistant of the District and opened and publicly read by her or her authorized representative. All bids received after this time will be returned unopened. The bids, together with a report of the bidders and the respective amounts of the bids, will be presented to the Board of Directors of the Santa Lucia Community Services District on Tuesday, November 15, 2022.

PROJECT ADMINISTRATION: All communications relative to this project, prior to the opening of the proposals, shall be directed in writing via email to the OWNER of the project.

Santa Lucia Preserve
1 Rancho San Carlos Rd.
Carmel, California, 93923
Telephone (831) 620-6780
Contact: Aimee Dahle
adahle@santaluciapreserve.com

OWNER'S RIGHTS RESERVED: The BOARD reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any informality in a proposal, and to make award to the GC that will best serve the interest of the DISTRICT as determined by the BOARD in the evaluation process. The BOARD reserves the right to conduct discussions with responsive GC's for the purpose of assuring full understanding of, and responsiveness to, solicitation requirements

Date of Publication: October 14th, 21st & 28th, 2022

By order of the Board of Directors of the Santa Lucia Community Services District.
State of California
Forrest Arthur, General Manager

Publication dates: Oct. 14, 21, 28, 2022 (PC1010)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, November 1, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. or later, the City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a Public Hearing at East side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California in the Council Chambers.

Subject of Public Hearing: The purpose of the hearing is to hear a first reading of an Ordinance: AMENDING SECTION 2.74.010(B) OF THE CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO BOARD MEMBER QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE HISTORIC RESOURCES BOARD

Public Participation: This meeting is via teleconference and in-person at city hall. Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20 has allowed local legislative bodies to hold public meetings via teleconference and to make public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the local legislative body. To that end, this meeting will be held via teleconference and in-person in the City Council Chambers at City Hall located on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenue. To participate via teleconference click the following link to attend via Zoom (or copy and paste link in your browser): https://ci-carmel-ca-us.zoom.us/j/85863804198 Meeting ID: 858 6380 4198 Passcode: 707855 Dial In: (253) 215-8782

To participate in this meeting in-person in the City Council Chambers, the public must show proof of vaccination (including virus booster) and wear a face covering at all times. Seating will be limited and available on a first come first served basis.

Persons interested in the proposal are encouraged to review additional materials available at the Administrative Services Department located at City Hall on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and 7th Avenues, phone number 831-620-2000, prior to the meeting date.

If you challenge the nature of the proposed action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the city council at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Proposed Action: Waive the reading in full and introduce, on first reading, Ordinance 2022-005 Amending Section 2.74.010(B) of the Carmel-by-the-Sea Municipal Code Related to Board Member Qualifications for the Historic Resources Board.

Signed: Nova Romero, MMC, City Clerk

Dated: 10/17/2022
For Publication: 10/21/2022

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Besides its history, culture, scenery and great weather, one of the things that makes the Monterey Peninsula so wonderful is its outstanding business community. But who are the hard-working people behind all those amazing shops, restaurants and service providers? We will answer that question in our November 11 edition.

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# Peninsula real estate market normalization continues

Concern over the housing market across the U.S. has been aggressively reported in the daily news over the last several months. The downturn in the number of sales, dollar volume, and home prices is significant in most markets across the country. It has been said that people live in a bubble here on the Monterey Peninsula. This bubble has protected and softened many of the global and national disruptions that have so adversely affected other areas. This phenomenon is holding true as it relates to the real estate market as well.

With an exceptionally high quality of life, the desire to live on The Peninsula remains very strong. This high quality of life and high demand has been partnered with a limited inventory of both homes for sale and homes that can be built in our beautiful community. Unlike much of the country, many of our markets are less impacted by rising interest rates, but they do continue to normalize and are

performing below the record numbers delivered in 2021. However, we have yet to realize the dramatic reduction in real estate results seen in other markets across the country. Of the nine markets we track across the Peninsula, the number of sales in Q3 2022 is down 31% and total volume in dollars is down 27% from the same quarter of last year. While this is less of a decline than many markets across the U.S., the bigger news here on The Peninsula is that price is holding strong. Five of the nine markets on The Peninsula have seen an increase in average sales price this year over Q3 2021, while four have seen a mild decrease. Overall, the average sales price in Q3 2022 is 5.6% higher than it was in Q3 2021 and just 5.4% down from the second quarter of this year.

With so much volatility, our team is tracking dozens of macro and micro variables affecting sales and pricing in the local real estate market. For example, of the 315 sales that took place in Q3 across the nine markets, 162 of them sold below asking price. This is 51% of total sales, up from only 31% of total sales selling below asking in Q2 of this year. The average sales price on these 162 sales during Q3 was 5.5% below asking price. At the same time, 31% of homes in Q3 sold for over asking price (on average 7.1% above) and the remaining 17% went at asking price.

The market continues to see volatility from

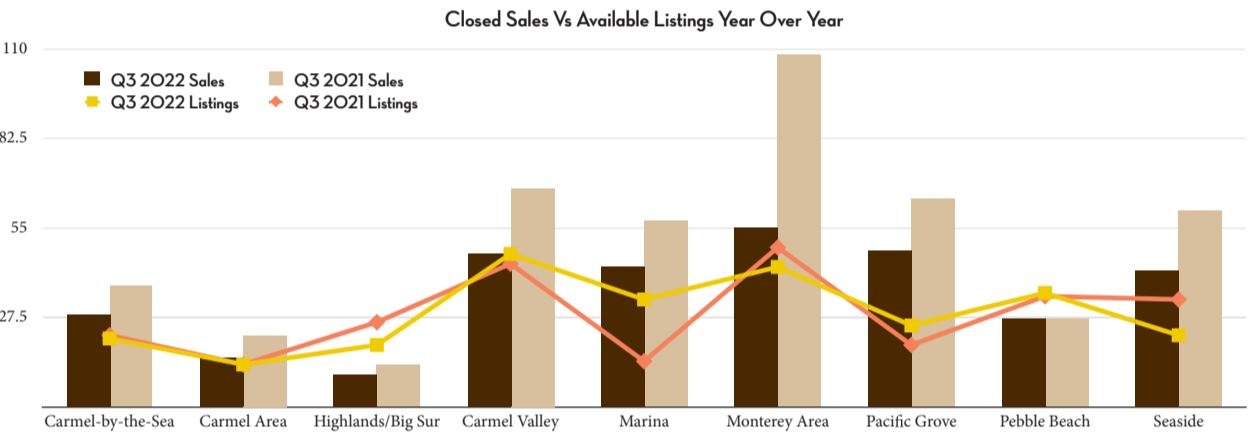
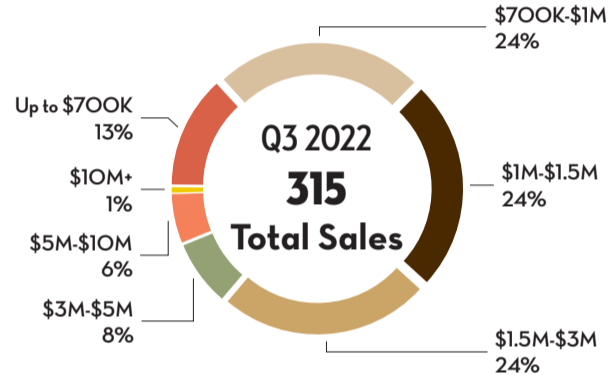
**PROPRIETARY MARKET RESEARCH**

**Reduced Sales Prices**

- 162 of the 315 homes sold below asking price (average of 5.5% below)
- 31.4% of homes sold above asking price (average of 7.1% above)
- Number of homes sold below asking has grown from 31.1% in Q2 to 51.4% in Q3 of 2022

month to month (September 2022 accounted for 40% of Q3's total sales volume) and we are tracking every possible variable to provide intelligence that allows for informed buying and selling decisions. The analytics below break out all nine of the markets we track with additional performance detail. We hope you will find this report informative.

As always, please be sure to contact us if there is anything we can do to help you, or your friends and family, with real estate plans in our marketplace. For additional information, please visit [carmelrealty-company.com](http://carmelrealty-company.com), contact us at (831) 622-1000, or visit us at any of our Carmel-by-the-Sea locations.



	Sales by Segment							Total Volume Sold			Available Listings at End of Quarter		
	Up to \$700K	\$700K - \$1M	\$1M - \$1.5M	\$1.5M - \$3M	\$3M - \$5M	\$5M - \$10M	\$10M+	Q3 2022	Q2 2022	Q3 2021	Q3 2022	Q2 2022	Q3 2021
<b>Carmel-by-the-Sea</b>	0	0	3	12	8	5	0	\$92,720,144	\$111,053,375	\$118,150,150	21	25	22
<b>Carmel Area (93923)</b>	0	1	7	5	1	1	0	\$28,367,000	\$78,972,500	\$39,698,000	13	11	13
<b>Carmel Highlands/Big Sur</b>	2	0	1	1	4	1	1	\$37,920,500	\$38,994,257	\$52,988,300	19	22	26
<b>Carmel Valley</b>	1	6	14	20	4	2	0	\$92,076,000	\$120,550,150	\$136,236,150	47	45	44
<b>Marina</b>	6	27	10	0	0	0	0	\$37,544,999	\$38,458,509	\$47,148,773	33	32	14
<b>Monterey Area</b>	12	10	20	10	3	0	0	\$70,840,225	\$91,976,342	\$125,153,075	43	37	49
<b>Pacific Grove</b>	2	8	17	19	1	1	0	\$74,233,754	\$66,999,123	\$96,149,899	25	31	19
<b>Pebble Beach</b>	0	3	2	10	3	8	1	\$105,888,820	\$99,138,209	\$119,625,707	35	28	34
<b>Seaside</b>	18	21	3	0	0	0	0	\$32,295,510	\$45,935,355	\$48,641,937	22	25	33
<b>Totals</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>\$571,886,952</b>	<b>\$692,077,820</b>	<b>\$783,791,991</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>254</b>

	Median Sales Prices			Average Sales Prices			Days on Market			Number of Sales		
	Q3 2022	Q2 2022	Q3 2021	Q3 2022	Q2 2022	Q3 2021	Q3 2022	Q2 2022	Q3 2021	Q3 2022	Q2 2022	Q3 2021
<b>Carmel-by-the-Sea</b>	\$2,600,000	\$3,050,000	\$2,575,750	\$3,311,434	\$3,365,254	\$3,193,247	34	8	18	28	33	37
<b>Carmel Area (93923)</b>	\$1,425,000	\$2,200,000	\$1,540,000	\$1,891,133	\$3,037,404	\$1,804,455	21	25	44	15	26	22
<b>Carmel Highlands/Big Sur</b>	\$3,150,000	\$4,600,000	\$2,228,000	\$3,792,050	\$4,874,282	\$4,076,023	82	85	102	10	8	13
<b>Carmel Valley</b>	\$1,615,000	\$1,349,500	\$1,650,000	\$1,959,064	\$1,944,357	\$2,033,375	38	30	32	47	62	67
<b>Marina</b>	\$849,000	\$849,500	\$801,000	\$873,140	\$874,057	\$827,171	32	18	11	43	44	57
<b>Monterey Area</b>	\$1,050,000	\$1,100,000	\$950,308	\$1,288,004	\$1,313,948	\$1,158,825	29	28	22	55	70	108
<b>Pacific Grove</b>	\$1,382,500	\$1,393,344	\$1,290,000	\$1,546,537	\$1,522,709	\$1,502,342	23	9	25	48	44	64
<b>Pebble Beach</b>	\$2,500,000	\$3,137,500	\$2,913,000	\$3,921,808	\$4,956,910	\$4,430,582	26	41	30	27	20	27
<b>Seaside</b>	\$730,000	\$815,000	\$768,500	\$768,941	\$866,705	\$810,699	36	14	15	42	53	60
<b>Totals</b>										<b>315</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>455</b>

*These charts are based on data supplied by the Monterey County Association of Realtors Multiple Listing Service. Neither the association nor the MLS guarantees or is responsible for their accuracy. The data may also not reflect all real estate activity in the market. For more information, go to [www.carmelrealtycompany.com](http://www.carmelrealtycompany.com).*

	Ten-Year Median Sales Prices											1-Year Change	10-Year Change
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD		
<b>Carmel-by-the-Sea</b>	\$1,150,000	\$1,330,000	\$1,650,000	\$1,550,000	\$1,607,500	\$1,700,000	\$2,000,000	\$1,875,000	\$2,200,000	\$2,750,000	\$2,850,000	3.6%	147.8%
<b>Carmel Area (93923)</b>	\$729,100	\$905,000	\$1,025,000	\$869,000	\$1,065,000	\$1,050,000	\$1,297,500	\$1,225,000	\$1,450,000	\$1,550,000	\$1,700,000	9.7%	133.2%
<b>Carmel Highlands/Big Sur</b>	\$1,325,500	\$1,218,750	\$2,200,000	\$1,857,500	\$1,685,000	\$1,937,500	\$1,597,500	\$1,775,000	\$2,645,000	\$2,375,000	\$3,709,000	56.2%	179.8%
<b>Carmel Valley</b>	\$650,000	\$718,000	\$762,500	\$836,000	\$950,313	\$937,000	\$1,000,000	\$950,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,510,000	0.7%	132.3%
<b>Marina</b>	\$298,000	\$380,000	\$417,500	\$442,500	\$490,000	\$537,200	\$599,000	\$639,000	\$675,000	\$792,000	\$850,000	7.3%	185.2%
<b>Monterey Area</b>	\$436,250	\$540,000	\$595,000	\$610,250	\$656,500	\$722,500	\$772,000	\$740,000	\$850,000	\$930,000	\$1,055,000	13.4%	141.8%
<b>Pacific Grove</b>	\$535,000	\$655,000	\$700,000	\$780,000	\$800,000	\$886,500	\$889,750	\$958,000	\$980,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,405,000	8.1%	162.6%
<b>Pebble Beach</b>	\$1,100,000	\$1,112,500	\$1,420,000	\$1,378,750	\$1,525,000	\$1,575,000	\$1,557,500	\$1,767,950	\$2,100,000	\$2,795,000	\$3,280,000	17.4%	198.2%
<b>Seaside</b>	\$290,000	\$327,000	\$356,000	\$405,000	\$445,000	\$495,000	\$525,000	\$540,000	\$593,500	\$700,000	\$766,500	9.5%	164.3%





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Abby Rizzo and Emily Vaughn to Jessica and Bradley Morris  
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#### 642 Sunset Drive — \$1,100,000

Xavier Candia and Trigo Trust to Gabriel and  
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#### 923 14th Street — \$2,630,000

Sierra Vista Tower Reno LLC to Veronika Vazquez  
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#### 1124 Balboa Avenue — \$2,750,000

David and Lilia Haug to Barry and Laurie Bialick  
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### Pebble Beach

#### 4041 Los Altos Drive — \$2,400,000

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Anna Silva to Jonathan Maldonado  
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#### 1801 Luxton Street — \$685,000

Yoni Miranda to Stuart Elder  
APN: 012-801-007

#### 1743 Fairway Court — \$2,111,000

Shea Homes LP to Lupita and Micheal Cepeda  
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### Soledad

#### Fort Romie Road — \$8,795,000

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