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CHS frustration with neighbors: ‘They bought next to a high school, so what do they expect?’

Students rally to get lights approved

By RILEY PALSHAW

AFTER MONTHS of postponements, the Carmel Unified Board of Education will vote on stadium lights for Carmel High School Nov. 29 at a special meeting in Carmel Middle School’s gymnasium — an event that is inspiring many CHS students to rally and express their sentiments in the final days before the ruling.

After starting a “Let There Be Lights” campaign to install four 70-to-80-foot-tall LED towers on the football field back in fall 2021, students have consistently battled for stadium lights throughout the process, from the first special board meeting, to the announcement of a completed environmental impact report on Aug. 25. While students were originally filled with excitement about the prospect of getting lights on their field and having night football games, that excitement has gradually switched to frustration toward the neighboring residents who vehemently oppose the project.

Legal warnings

Concerns about parking and traffic have caused significant dissatisfaction with the EIR from some people who live near the school. One

vocally unhappy group has gone so far as to warn CUSD it would be sued and a restraining order sought should the school board vote in favor of lights. Seeing these actions as clear opposition to their request for stadium lights for

See LIGHTS page 13A



PHOTO/RILEY PALSHAW

CHS sophomores (from left) Kate Graham, Chloe LeMaster, Sofia Tucker, Cindy Moreau and Julia Jackson show off the hand-printed shirts they’ll wear to a special school board meeting on Tuesday.

DESAL PLANT LIMPS TO FINISH LINE AFTER 27 YEARS

By CHRIS COUNTS

ALMOST THREE decades after state officials ordered Cal Am to cut back on pumping water from the Carmel River to protect steelhead, a replacement project may be in the offing, since the California Coastal Commission approved it 8-2 in Salinas last Thursday.

But the coastal commission added a slew of conditions to the project, making its path forward murky. The powerful state coastal watchdog agency also levied a \$3 million mitigation fee on Cal Am and required the water company to pay for “a full-time staff person” to “provide oversight of permit conditions on behalf of Marina” for 10 years. As an added measure, Cal Am will be required to restore no less than 63 acres of open space as part of the deal.

Voting to approve the desal plant were commissioners Dayna Bochco, Meagan Harmon, Katie Rice, Mike Wilson, Steve Padilla, Sara Aminzadeh, Donne Brownsey

and Effie Turnbull-Sanders. Voting against it were Caryl Hart and Linda Escalante. Carole Groom, who represents the Monterey Peninsula on the coastal commission, and Roberto Uranga were absent.

The vote was a milestone for the desal facility, which could produce 6.4 million gallons of water per day. The project went through a torturous application and environmental review process that lasted many years, costing rate-payers and taxpayers a lot of money, even while no water was available for infill development or home remodels.

More than 200 speak

During a marathon 13-hour hearing Nov. 16, more than 200 people sounded off on the project, including girls from a Brownie troop from Marina, who unsurprisingly opposed it.

While some speakers, including local business leaders, insisted desal is necessary due to growing population and a lengthy drought, others warned the facility would harm the environment and

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See HOUSING page 12A

Council members tackle 349-unit housing mandate

By MARY SCHLEY

FOR DECADES, Carmel was a place where it was taken for granted that strict rules kept new development to a minimum and nobody would even think of putting in a big apartment building, but all that has changed with the state suddenly increasing mandates for affordable housing.

Last week, two city council members grappled with how to accommodate 349 new residences within its 1-square-mile boundaries over an eight-year period starting in 2024.

Council members Karen Ferlito and Bobby Richards fielded ideas on how to do that, among them turning Larson Field into a housing development, converting public and private parking lots into apartment buildings, convincing hotel owners to transform some of their units to living space in exchange for the rights to build new luxury suites — and fighting the allotment in court.

‘Embrace the challenge’

In their opening remarks at the Nov. 17 meeting, Ferlito and Richards expressed their excitement with developing innovative ways to encourage more housing here, especially for people who can’t pay a lot for rent.

“I hope we can all embrace this challenge and that we can come up with creative ideas and then control the solution, and keep it in context with our town,” Richards said. “I think it can be a really positive step forward.”

“There are no silly suggestions,” Ferlito said. “There are no silly questions.”

At the workshop, principal planner Marnie Waffle explained the work ahead for the city. The housing element — “the blueprint for housing in the community” — in the general plan has to be updated every eight years, and it’s based on the state’s determination of how many new residences the town needs, including those in very-low-income, low-income and moderate-income categories.

“Affordable housing benefits the entire community,” Waffle said. “It allows workers to live closer to their jobs and to raise families and children, provides a better quality of life, and allows people to age in place.”

What’s ‘affordable’?

Since 1969, the California Department of Housing and Community Development has required all local governments to “adequately plan to meet the housing needs” of everyone in their communities. Every eight years, the department decides how many units are necessary to do that for people at every income level, and while it concluded last time the city needed to accommodate 31 units,

The edge of great beauty



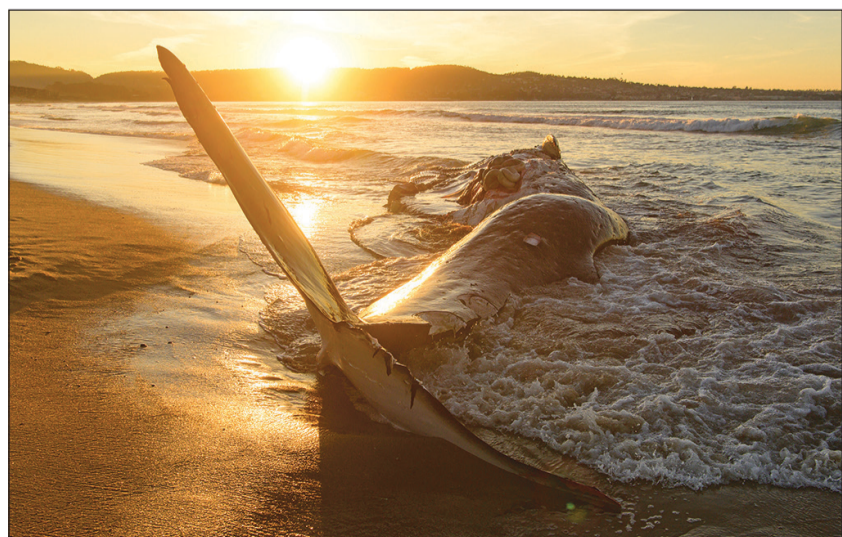
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Despite the economic downturn, a new home in Pebble Beach with remarkable views of Carmel Bay and Point Lobos sold last week for a record price. See page 8A.

Juvenile whale washes up on Del Monte Beach

A juvenile fin whale washed up on Del Monte Beach Nov. 20. The incident was at first reported to be a capsized boat. Interviewed by KION, marine biologist Colleen Talty blamed the whale’s death on being struck by a boat. Measuring more than 40 feet long, the whale also had injuries that some speculated were shark bites.

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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Family affair

What her person loves most about her just might be her tail. She's also drawn to her little nose and long, droopy ears, but that curled tail, her person said, is what makes her absolutely adorable.

Her tail is a barometer of her moods, her confidence, her sense of self, and the situation.

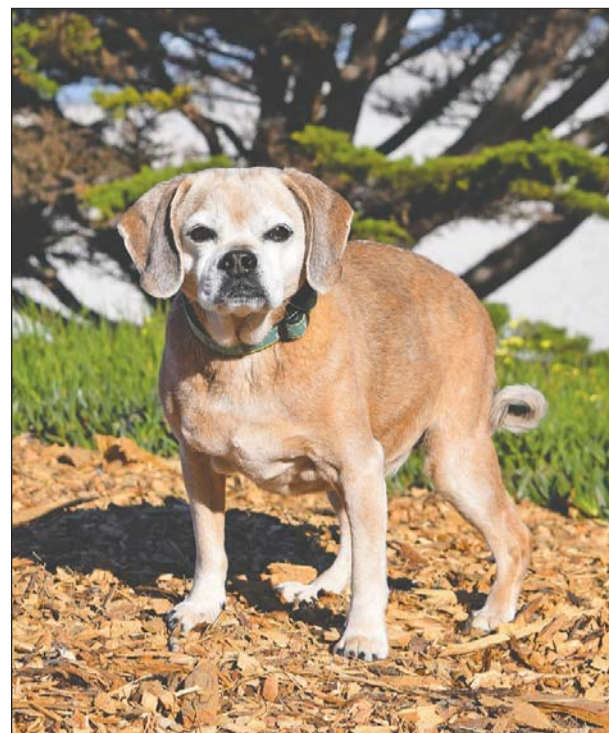
"When she's apprehensive," she said, "her tail drops flat. It just unfurls in the saddest way. When she's happy, confident, feeling good about herself, it curls upward."

A cross between a pug and a beagle, Bella, 15, is a bona fide puggle. Presuming she'd be a "chick magnet," her person's son brought the pup home when he was a senior in college. It must have worked, his mom said, since soon after he got her, he met the woman who became his wife.

"My son started bringing Bella to our house, and I fell in love with her, so I stole her," said Mom. "She's been mine ever since."

At first, Bella wasn't willing to come when called, so her person started luring her with treats. It worked so well, her person started stocking treats in her pocket. Bella, now completely food motivated, never leaves her side.

Bella is devoted to her person, but her best friend



is Zazzles, a Japanese bobtail, who just happens to be the coolest cat his person and his canine companion have ever met. He actually might be the only cat Bella has ever met.

"Zazzles is unbelievably smart," his person said. "He comes when I call him, and he opens the door to let himself and Bella into the front yard. They play together really well."

Every morning, Bella's person brushes Zazzles, while Bella sits patiently nearby, waiting her turn. "We're just one happy family," their person said.

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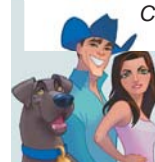


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Former councilwoman opens home to Ukraine refugee family

By MARY SCHLEY

A FAMILY of four that was forced to flee Russian President Vladimir Putin's 2014 invasion of Ukraine after their home was destroyed — and then hid in a basement for weeks during his current war before fleeing to Europe — will become the city's newest residents when they arrive Nov. 30 to move in with former city councilwoman Victoria Beach and her husband.

"The Buianov-Pronich family survived Putin's original 2014 invasion of their hometown in Donetsk, and they fled to Bucha, only to survive one of the worst crimes against humanity there, during Putin's 2022 assault," Beach said in a recent email to the Carmel Chamber of Commerce seeking support for the refugees.

"The couple with their two boys (14 and 3) hid in a basement for weeks with bombs and shelling above before escaping to a shelter in Germany."

Asylum for two years

Through the U.S. State Department's Humanitarian Parole program, the family will have asylum here for two years. But with their first home destroyed and their second abandoned, the parents and kids will arrive at San Francisco International Airport Wednesday with only what they can carry in their suitcases, according to Beach.

"Because they will have no car, the family will be walking to town for supplies. And, until they are permitted to work, they will have almost no resources for those supplies," Beach continued. "It would be amazing if any of the downtown businesses would like to help ease this family's arrival and survival here" by donating meals, groceries, clothing, household items, services and "even treats."

After learning of their impending

arrival and needs, longtime resident and Carmel-by-the-Sea Rotary Club member Graeme Robertson reached out to Beach to tell her the service club had already planned to hold a fundraiser for Ukrainian refugees Nov. 30.

The fundraiser at the Carmel Mission Inn will run from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and Robertson told The Pine Cone it's open to anyone who would like to support the local victims of Putin's war. It will include lunch, wine and a raffle, as well as silent and live auctions. Tickets are \$30 per person and can be purchased at [eventbrite.com/e/rotary-fundraiser-to-benefit-ukrainian-refugees-tickets-467977783147](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/rotary-fundraiser-to-benefit-ukrainian-refugees-tickets-467977783147).

Beach said she hopes the business community and residents will strive to help "a new family that has seen so much suffering," and will show them "what a warm, generous, small-town welcome looks like."

Monk's free talk at spiritual center

A BUDDHIST monk from Tibet who was imprisoned by the Chinese 25 years ago before escaping across the Himalayas to India will share stories about his life Wednesday, Nov. 30, at the Center for Spiritual Awakening in Pacific Grove. The free talk starts at 7 p.m.

The monk, Khenpo Karten Rinpoche, is the spiritual director of Pacific Grove's Manjushri Dharma Center. "He has had a special relationship to the Dalai Lama for many years, and he will share with us his reflections and stories from his personal journey bringing the rich cultural traditions of Tibet to the West," reads a description of the talk.

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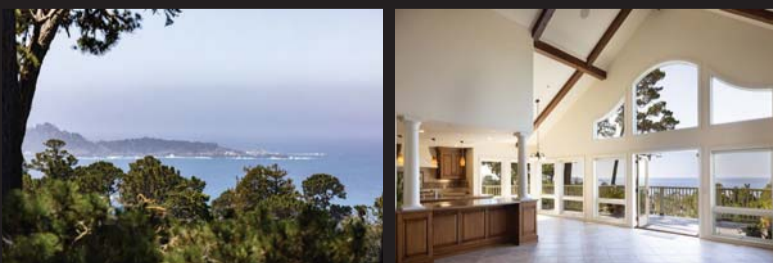
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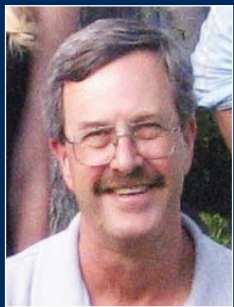
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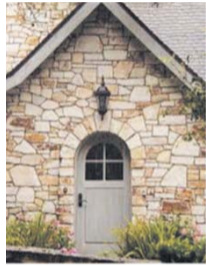
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Police & Sheriff's Log

Dog OK, raccoon evades police

HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Office last week. This week's log was compiled by Mary Schley.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury accident, hit-and-run on Dolores Street. Vehicle was drivable.

Pacific Grove: At approximately 2358 hours, PGPD officers responded to a 911 call on Ocean View Boulevard. A female victim reported that she had been assaulted by her boyfriend. During the domestic incident, the victim complained of pain to her head from her hair being pulled. The suspect also threatened the victim. The 44-year-old male was arrested for domestic violence, criminal threats and a probation violation.

Pacific Grove: Cited and released a 34-year-old female at David and Forest for driving on a suspended license and other vehicle code violations, including having no insurance and running a stop sign/signal. Vehicle was not towed.

Pacific Grove: Dead body found on Egan. No suspicious circumstances.

Pacific Grove: At about 1302 hours, an officer was dispatched to the lobby regarding check fraud on Sunset Drive. The resident stated an envelope was to be mailed with a check enclosed, and was taken and cashed in a different person's name. Investigation is ongoing.

Pacific Grove: Dog at large brought into the police department.

Pacific Grove: Traffic stop resulted in a cite and release for a misdemeanor warrant/failure to appear.

Carmel Valley: Burglary of a vehicle containing electrical tools on Laurel Drive.

Carmel area: Victim on Via Sereno reported a credit card issued in her name without her consent.

Pebble Beach: An assault was reported that occurred during a wedding on Cypress Drive in Pebble Beach.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Earbuds found on a bench at Devendorf Park.

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in the Real Estate Section



The gavel falls

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

Oct. 26 — A Monterey County jury found Ari Gold, 27 and a resident of Salinas, guilty of assault with a semiautomatic firearm on a peace officer, brandishing a firearm in the presence of a peace officer, driving under the influence of a drug, and hit-and-run. Prior to the trial, Gold pled no contest to a felony violation of vehicle theft. The jury also found that Gold personally used a firearm when he assaulted the peace officer.

On July 23, 2019, Gold was in Monterey and smoked a substantial amount of marijuana and methamphetamine. Early that evening, Gold stole a truck from Monterey and drove it, while under the influence of methamphetamine, to his grandmother's house in Toro Park. While on the way, Gold was observed driving dangerously on and off the road. At one point, he nearly collided with another occupied vehicle on the road. Gold then crashed into a parked car while swerving to avoid the occupied one. Gold fled the scene without stopping and went to his grandmother's house, in violation of a condition of his misdemeanor probation, which prohibited him from going to that house without his grandmother's explicit permission.

California Highway Patrol officers Kristi

Cho and Chris Weaver responded to 911 calls for the reckless driving and the collision. Neighbors identified the house Gold fled to for the officers. When the CHP officers ran a background check on the stolen truck and the home, CHP dispatch incorrectly informed the officers that the truck was not stolen, and the house did not have any prior calls for service. During that time, Gold's grandmother and the owner of the house arrived. She informed the officers that no one was supposed to be home, and that she did not recognize the vehicle in her driveway. Gold's grandmother then asked the officers to clear the house and make sure it was safe for her.

The officers requested a K9 unit but were told there were none available or in the immediate area. As a result, the two officers went into the Estoque Place house at the homeowner's request. During a search of the home, Officer Cho found Gold hiding behind a shower curtain in the master bathroom, while Officer Weaver was just outside of the bathroom. Cho ordered Gold repeatedly to get down on the ground, and Weaver did so as well. Without any warning, Gold quickly

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SHERIFF-ELECT ANNOUNCES TOP STAFF

By MARY SCHLEY

TINA NIETO, who got nearly 66 percent of the vote for the next Monterey County sheriff in the Nov. 8 election to resoundingly prevail over opponent Sheriff's Capt. Joe Moses, this week announced the people who will work under her after she takes office in January.

On Tuesday, Nieto was touring the county offices with several exiting high-level staff, including acting Undersheriff John Thornburg and Chief Deputy Jim Bass. Both are retiring from the sheriff's office before the end of the year, according to Nieto, so she isn't ousting anyone by bringing in her chosen managers.

"I'm walking around with all of them at the county offices right now," she said.

King City Police Chief Keith Boyd, who was appointed to that post last summer after serving as captain for three years, will be Nieto's undersheriff. Prior to joining King City, Boyd worked for sheriff's offices in Sacramento and Marin counties and was employed by other police departments.

"Everybody I'm bringing in, I know and I trust, because I've worked with them," Nieto said.

Boyd will bring with him a good understanding of South County residents.

"I think it's important to be as balanced as we can be, since the county is so diverse," she said. "And I know Keith gets the work done."

Cmdr. Eddie Anderson, Nieto's second in command at Marina Police Department and, according to some, her heir apparent, is instead leaving that city to join her at the sheriff's office.

"I trust him with my life," she said. "Eddie has been my partner there for over five years."

One insider

She credited Anderson with helping to make positive changes in Marina's police department and mentoring its officers.

"Half my department has master's degrees," she said, including Anderson, who hadn't yet gotten his bachelor's degree when Nieto met him. "I'm a big believer in education."

She also noted that Anderson "has been around Monterey County forever."

"A lot of people are sad to see him go from Marina, but they're happy to see him

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Tina Nieto



Keith Boyd



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Forest Theater gets fresh new look

By MARY SCHLEY

MORE THAN 60 Rotarians, Girl Scouts, Carmel High School kids and community volunteers transformed the Forest Theater grounds in a few hours on a Saturday earlier this month, digging holes and planting hundreds of flowers, grasses, shrubs and other plants purchased with donations raised by three Rotary clubs and Carmel Cares.

"In that four-hour period of time, we planted 1,100 plants — it really was quite remarkable," said longtime Carmel-by-the-Sea Rotary Club member Graeme Robertson. "I could only be there for two hours, so I don't want to take the credit for it. I was just one cog in the wheel."

Paella on the roof

The effort kicked off with a fundraising paella dinner on the rooftop deck at Grasing's restaurant a few nights before the big landscaping day, according to Robertson. The Rotary clubs raised more than \$23,000 toward the effort, and Carmel Cares founder Dale Byrne coordinated the purchase and pickup of the plants, which were selected by Monterey Peninsula College horticulture instructor Alan Wheat.

"Dale Byrne picked up the plants on Friday, set them in place around the Forest

Theater grounds, and then we came in 8 a.m. to noon Saturday morning and planted the plants," Robertson said. "Dale and his team get a lot of credit for coordinating and picking up the plants."

The effort marked the culmination of several months of planning. In August, the forest and beach commission approved the landscape plan for the theater, which is owned by the city but leased by Pacific Repertory Theatre. When describing the plans, Wheat told commissioners he designed the layout based on different "plant communities" with specific appearances, functions and habitats, and mentioned the beauty and benefits of many, noting they'll be ideal choices not just for aesthetics, but for the environment, since they will attract birds, monarchs and bees.

Byrne, who spearheaded the effort, said the overarching goal is to make the Forest Theater grounds "more of a park that's useful to people," with pathways and picnic tables. The

landscaping is the first phase.

Byrne and his volunteers have undertaken a lot of improvements at the theater over the past couple of years, including cleaning and restoring the bench seating, replacing the roll-up window at the snack bar and repairing the counter, fabricating and rebuilding gates, grading and mulching, whacking weeds, watering, and undertaking weekly maintenance. The new plants will be tended by volunteers, too.

Quarterly report

As part of PacRep's lease, the theater group must report to the city on a quarterly basis how many performances were held

and how many people attended.

For the July 1-Sept. 30, period, the group reported holding 39 performances, including shows of "Little Shop of Horrors," Films in the Forest, "Mary Poppins," Monterey County Symphony's "A Love Letter to Carmel," and "The School for Lies," drawing a total of 11,801 people, according to the city.

PacRep also fulfilled its obligation to invest \$17,489 in capital upgrades, including the stage floor reconstruction, rigging, and electrical work.

The professional theater company has also paid the city \$9,263 in ticket user fees so far this year.



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A replanting project at the Forest Theater was made possible by volunteers, including Bill Doolittle and Graeme Robertson.



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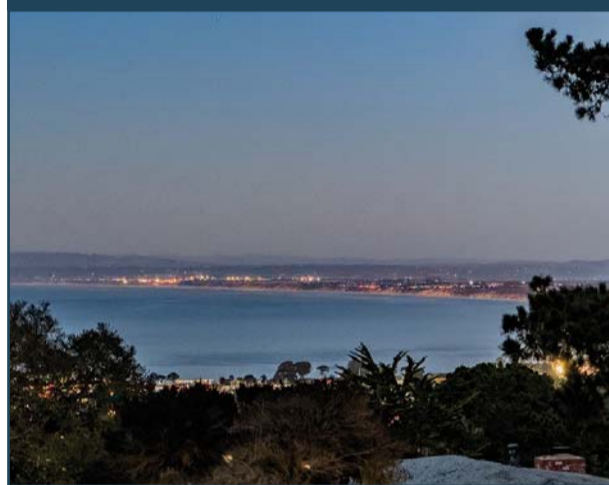
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PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

DEFYING HIGH interest rates and a major downturn in the Silicon Valley economy, a house on Crespi Lane in Pebble Beach sold last week for \$28 million, making it the most expensive home ever sold in Del Monte Forest without ocean or golf-course frontage.

Perched on a hillside with “the most jaw-dropping, panoramic views of Pebble Beach I’ve ever seen,” according to Cicily Sterling of The Agency, who represented the seller in the mammoth transaction, the home at 1691 Crespi Lane is new construction in a sleek, modern style that brings a vista stretching from Carmel and Point Lobos to The Lodge into almost every room.

No controversy

Sterling’s husband, architect Braden Sterling, designed the home and credits the former owners of the property, Frank and Michelle Hevrdejs, with having not only the resources, but the patience, to see the six-year project through.

“They told me they wanted everything to be 100 percent right, which meant not only hand-tailoring every aspect, but also making the house livable for a couple on a daily basis,” Braden Sterling said. “I’ve been designing for 20 years, and I’ve rarely had a client who would take the time. It was a very delicate master-planning process.”

He said no variances were required for the six-bedroom, six-bathroom, 11,000-square-foot, two-story project, which was built by Carroll & Strong, and that concerns from neighbors and

planners were nothing out of the ordinary for a project of this scale and visibility.

“Every single permitting aspect was touched on and solved,” he said.

His firm, Sterling Huddleson, has offices on San Carlos Street but has handled projects from the Hamptons to Palm Springs.

The buyers of the home on Crespi Lane, which sits on a 2.1-acre lot, have not been identified, except with the name of an LLC, GFK2, which was registered in California on Nov. 8 with an address in Fort Worth Texas. The buyers’ agent was Mark Bruno of the Peninsula Home Team.

Escrow lasted only 12 days, Cicily Sterling said, and closed Nov. 17. But with global economic uncertainty settling in just as the home was getting ready to be sold, and with tech mainstays like Meta and Alphabet seeing major declines in their stock prices, that doesn’t mean there wasn’t some uncertainty just as the home was put up for sale with an asking price of \$33.5 million.

Just a few weeks before, the Peninsula

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Some P.G. races still undecided

By CHRIS COUNTS

WHILE IT once seemed likely to pass, Pacific Grove's Measure O — which would reduce the size of the town's city council from seven to five members — now appears to be losing.

County officials, meanwhile, are doing an "escalated manual" recount due to the "narrow margin of difference" between votes on the measure — which at last count was just 12.

Also getting a manual recount is the contest between Debby Beck and Tina Rau for the last of three city council seats. Fifty-two votes separate the two, with Beck holding the lead.

And P.G.'s reputation as a prudish place took a big hit when Measure M and its sidekick Measure N passed, making it possible for a single cannabis shop to sell its

wares in the town, which didn't even allow alcohol to be sold until 1969.

In the initial tally of the Nov. 8 ballots, Measure O failed to pass by only 12 votes — 3,420 voted for the measure, and 3,432 voted against it.

Early lead fades

City councilman Luke Coletti, who sparked the effort to put the measure on the ballot, told The Pine Cone that he isn't optimistic the recount will change the outcome. He noted that it was up by 10 points early in the voting, but later voters were less supportive. He suggested that confusing language on the ballot may have led to the narrow defeat.

"The fact that it went from strongly positive to slightly negative indicates that

See **VOTES** page 18A

Where would you like skatepark to go?

By CHRIS COUNTS

AFTER GETTING pushback on the idea of putting a skatepark in Pacific Grove's George Washington Park, city officials are launching a survey on the topic.

The bilingual survey not only seeks feedback on the skatepark, but also on potential locations. Besides George Washington Park, other possible sites include the ball field behind the Monterey Bay Charter School at David and Congress, Arnett Park at Piedmont and Moreland, and a vacant lot behind Pacific Grove High School.

The survey asks residents what types of amenities they would like to see at a skatepark. Ideas include restrooms, water fountains, picnic tables, a parking lot, a concessions stand, shaded areas and lighting.

Also, the survey asks locals what worries them most about establishing a skatepark, including noise, crime, parking,

traffic, accessibility, maintenance and environmental concerns. "This survey is intended to gain community input on potential locations, as well as the project itself," city officials announced.

Pros, cons of 'ideal' site

In August, public works director Daniel Gho identified George Washington Park as an ideal site for the skatepark. Gho said 25 trees may need to be removed to make room for it.

According to a description of the skatepark, it would be "suitable for all ages, users and multiple types of non-motorized wheeled riding." The work would be paid for with \$158,000 from the federal government's Covid relief funds. The money will pay for the skatepark site assessment and preliminary design.

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CARMEL CHAMBER AWARD WINNERS TO BE FETED AT DEC. 7 SHINDIG

By MARY SCHLEY

THE VOTES are in, leaving the rest of the work to members of the Carmel Chamber of Commerce to select the winners that will be announced at the annual Awards of Excellence gala, this year set for Dec. 7 at Quail Lodge.

Nominees are the top three vote-getters (four in case of a tie) in each of 18 categories and were selected via an online ballot that was open to all. Candidates for Business of the Year are last year's category winners.

The contenders are:

■ Accommodations (Small) — Hofsas House, Pine Inn, Tradewinds Carmel.

■ Accommodations (Large) — Bernardus Lodge & Spa, Carmel Mission Inn, Cypress Inn, La Playa Carmel.

■ Art — Aaron Chang Ocean Art Gallery, Carmel Art Association, Carmel Valley Art Association.

■ Beverage — Alvarado Street Brewery & Bistro, Bernardus Winery, De Tierra Vineyards, Scheid Vineyards.

■ Food/Market/Specialty (Small) — Carmel Belle, The Cheese Shop, Stationary.

■ Food/Market/Specialty (Large) — Anton & Michel, Grasing's, La Bicycleette.

■ Health & Wellness — Big Sur Cana+Botanicals, Carmel Valley Athletic Club, Refuge.

■ Financial/Legal — Hayashi Wayland/CLA, Rudisill Accountancy, Wells Fargo Bank.

■ Music/Performance — Carmel Dance Festival, PacRep, Sunset Cultural Center.

■ Nonprofits — Big Sur Land Trust, The Carmel Foundation, Max's Helping Paws.

■ Professional Services (Small) — Cal

Coastal SBDC, Carmel Magazine, The Carmel Pine Cone.

■ Professional Services (Large) — A&R Plumbing, El Estero Car Wash, Lewis Builders, Monterey Regional Airport.

■ Real Estate/Property Management (Small) — San Carlos Agency, Team Beesley/KW Coastal Estates, Tim Allen Properties.

■ Real Estate/Property Management (Large) — Carmel Realty Company, Santa Lucia Preserve, Sotheby's International Realty.

■ Retail (Small) — Carmel Dog Shop, Kocek Jeweler, Thinker Toys, Yellow Brick Road Benefit Shop.

■ Retail (Large) — Carmel Plaza, the Crossroads, Doud Arcade & Craft Studios.

■ Tourism (Small) — Adventures by the Sea, Mad Dogs & Englishmen, Monterey Bay Whale Watch.

■ Tourism (Large) — Carmel Mission Basilica, Monterey Bay Aquarium, WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca.

Business of the Year candidates are Bennett Sculpture Gallery, Bruno's Market & Delicatessen, Carmel Valley Ranch, Carmel Valley Coffee Roasting Company, Carmel Youth Center, Concours on the Avenue, David Lyng Real Estate, Dutch Door Donuts, Forest Theater Guild, Lemos 76, Monterey County Weekly, Monterey Touring Vehicles, Pilgrim's Way Bookstore & Secret Garden, Susan Clark/Carmel Realty, Synchronicity Holistic, Synergy One Lending, the Barnyard and Tickle Pink Inn.

The winners will be announced at the chamber's annual holiday fundraiser, this year themed "A Night at Studio 54," with a reception, silent auction, dinner and entertainment from 6 to 9 p.m. Dec. 7.

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DESAL

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increase the cost of water for customers. Others raised “social justice” concerns and charges of racism.

Coastal commission staff had recommended approval of the desal facility but also suggested adding a \$1 million environmental mitigation fee to the costs that Cal Am would pay. Late in the hearing, there was a move to raise that number as high as \$25 million.

“There are serious environmental justice impacts,” Escalante suggested. “There needs to be a very serious proposed mitigation to even begin to address that.”

After some impromptu wrangling on the dais, \$3 million was agreed upon as a mitigation fee to the city of Marina.

Vote a ‘pivotal step’

After the marathon effort to get their desal project approved, Cal Am officials expressed satisfaction with the decision. Josh Stratton of Cal Am called the approval “a pivotal step in ensuring that the Monterey Peninsula has an adequate water supply to meet the growing water demand of the region.”

Stratton said Cal Am is also happy to see the mitigation issue settled. “We are pleased that an agreement was met that will empower the residents of Marina and provide community benefits,” he said.

He also outlined what stands in the way before the desal plant can be built.

“Our next steps will be to move forward with local permits needed for construction of [the project] and to implement the conditions of approval,” Stratton said.

Not every was happy

Opponents decried the decision to OK the desal plant, but the state’s top elected official, Gov. Gavin Newsom, celebrated it.

“California needs to diversify our water portfolio and stretch existing supplies as

extreme weather threatens to reduce the state’s water supply 10 percent by 2040,” Newsom said. “Desalination is an important part of the state’s strategy to address the threats of extreme weather.”

After the vote, some blamed Newsom for Cal Am’s win, including the anti-desal group, Public Water Now. The local group has long fought against what it describes as an “overpriced, oversized boondoggle of a project.”

“It appears that we are the example Newsom is setting to prove his new water policy is going to be enforced,” the group posted on Facebook. “It was clear that there were forces at work behind the scenes at the coastal commission.”

The general manager of the Monterey Water Management District, Dave Stoldt said he wasn’t surprised by the vote, in part because the governor was in favor of it. But he doesn’t believe desal is needed — at least not yet. Instead, he favors expanding an existing water recycling project.

“We continue to believe that Pure Water Monterey produces a much cheaper water supply,” Stoldt explained. Desal “absolutely might be needed someday,” but “it isn’t needed now or soon.”

Stoldt also observed that the project has many conditions. “Many of those conditions require resolution in court or a lengthy regulatory process,” he said. “It’s not a slam dunk yet.”

Supervisor chimes in

Fifth District Monterey County Supervisor Mary Adams told The Pine Cone she supports a desal plant, but she said one owned by the government could deliver water at a lower cost.

“I believe we should have desal, and it should be publicly owned,” Adams said. “I believe we should be looking at a regional solution.”

The supervisor warned that her constituents will pay a hefty price for water from the new desal plant. “The people in my district are the ones who are going to have to bear the cost of this unbelievably expensive project.”

An Open Letter to the Carmel Community:

The proposed Carmel High School stadium lights that are creating community conflict, pitting neighbor against neighbor, is not about having lights or no lights, NIMBYism or most importantly, denying our young people resources to strive and thrive. It is simpler than that. It is about Superintendent Ted Knight and the Carmel Unified School District Board following the planning, development and environmental laws and regulations of our city, county, and state, in addition to following our long tradition of maintaining the natural character of the beautiful, elegant natural environment that we live in. Their current plan not only attempts to bypass a thoughtful well vetted regulatory body of law meant to protect the environment and our community, but actively damages, degrades and bruises our wonderful unique, natural, and diverse habitat that should be celebrated and put on a pedestal of protection. Rather than pursue a path of destruction and harm, we need to forge a path forward that is sensitive to and empathetic to our natural wonders of our lovely and beautiful area that we call Carmel with its natural forested beauty from the hills of the valley to the stunning expansive views out to the Pacific Ocean.

The sports complex proposal by Superintendent Knight and the CUSD Board Members of erecting 80 foot tall high powered “Stadium Lights,” among other intrusive and destructive components on the built out 22-acre 80-year-old CHS campus, inconveniently located on a raised and environmentally sensitive plateau at the mouth of the valley, will negatively impact the natural environment and neighborhoods near and far from CHS for miles around. In fact, CUSD’s own numerous environmental studies highlight the damage that their plan will do to the environment and our community. Why superintendent Knight and his colleagues on the board would purposely choose to harm our local environment and community, in 2022, is confusing at best. Per CUSD’s own and latest sponsored study, the significant and unavoidable impacts are as follows:

“New lighting would result in light pollution and the new sources of light and glare would be visible from and towards county designated visually “sensitive” and “highly sensitive” areas and slightly modify the visual character and quality of the site. (“slightly, being relative.”)

The study continues to state that regardless of all efforts to mitigate the negative impacts of the project, the negative impacts will remain:

“Significant and Unavoidable”

There is a reason that Point Lobos was kept from being turned into a “townsite” in 1896 by the brave Alexander Allan and Big Sur was protected by the Big Sur Local Coastal Plan championed by our local farsighted visionary, Zad Leavy. There is a reason that the Odello Fields, the former Rancho Canada Golf course and the Carmel dam area, are being returned to their natural state. This is what we do in 2022. There is a reason that we have not had lights at CHS in the 80 years since it was established. In deference to the generations of past, in 2022, we don’t seek to hurt, harm, and destroy our environment, our planet and our communities that provide sustenance to us physically, mentally and our souls.

Per the Pinecone’s excellent reporting last week,

“Superintendent Knight and the CUSD BOE (President Hinds, Members Arthur, Nachbar, Palastrini, and Marie Rosen) are attempting to exempt themselves from Monterey County’s zoning, building ordinances and regulations, including the general plan, the Carmel Valley Master Plan and any other related county ordinances or regulations that would be applicable.”

Let’s please think about what they are attempting to do; their arrogance and their lack of concern for all that we stand for as law abiding, environmentally concerned citizens that want to provide the best for our young people. I presume that most of us would agree that no one person or entity be above the law that “we” the people have put in place to protect our environment, our communities and ourselves. For Superintendent Knight and the BOE to attempt to disregard our city, county and state laws and regulations is irresponsible, “tricky” unscrupulous at best and illegal at worse. Many good people worked hard and diligently to create city, county, and state laws to protect our communities. Is this how CUSD leadership is supposed to lead our young people?

To the younger generation, this is about doing the “right thing.” So far past and current generations have not been good stewards of the environment and our communities. **The future is yours and it is now!**

As a community, we can create a sports complex responsibly, but this current “madness” of putting up 80-foot-tall aurora producing stadium lights that will refract light much greater than the current pool lights need to stop. In addition, chopping down full grown (protected) Monterey Cypress trees to build a road, removing the cherished community tennis courts to build a black-top parking lot also needs to stop. As CUSD’s own studies succinctly state: **“negative impacts will be significant and unavoidable”**

I ask and encourage Superintendent Knight, CUSD Board Members and our community to come together to create an innovative, environmentally and community sensitive plan that will contain the light pollution, noise pollution, preserve our Monterey Cypress trees and protect public safety with dedicated emergency access routes. Perhaps Carmel Middle School sitting on over 60-acres (vs CHS at 20-acres) of land with it many sports fields may be a good starting point for the Superintendent and Board Members to pursue a thoughtful, innovative, and progressive facility that would contain the light and noise pollution, while offering improved access and safety to all users.

We need to come together as a community of educators, students, and residents to protect our future by protecting our environment and community. We can do this by working together and caring.

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HOUSING

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this year's figure is more than 10 times that — with no explanation for what changed except Sacramento decided the state needs more housing.

The HCD's most recent regional housing needs assessment calls for 2.5 million units across a range of income levels statewide, with 33,274 in the Monterey Bay region.

The state defines "affordable housing" as costing no more than 30 percent of a resident's income for rent and utilities. Specifically, Carmel is supposed to find ways to accommodate 349 residences: 113 very low income (\$30,700 annual income for a family of three), 74 low income (\$51,200), 44 moderate income (\$97,300) and 118 market rate. Eight years ago, the state required just 31 units, 21 of which were built — but all were market-rate.

Only Del Rey Oaks and Sand City have lower allocations this time around.

"We have to demonstrate we have enough sites over the next eight years that can accommodate all 349 units," Waffle said.

"We have people who come here every day to work here but can't afford to live here," Ferlito observed. "These people are making our village run. It makes us a little more motivated to see what we can do to provide some housing."

She encouraged people to think about those who work for them or serve them at restaurants and envision what it would take to enable them to live here.

Expensive consultants

The city is receiving taxpayer-funded grants of at least \$290,000 to help pay a consultant to write the housing element, which must be approved by the planning commission, city council and California Coastal Commission before being certified by the state office of Housing and Community Development. Drafts will be circulated in spring and summer next year, with state certification expected in December 2023, and related updates to the general plan, local coastal program and zoning code expected in 2024.

Key to the process is a housing feasibility study being

done by consultant ECONorthwest to evaluate the local housing market and zoning code, identify sites that could accommodate more housing, and recommend actions and potential incentives. As soon as the study is done, Waffle said she'll make it available online.

"I'm just really excited about this project — I think we could really make a difference," Richards said. "I think Carmel could lead the charge and could be recognized," as a leader on the housing front. He also noted the community has a significant brain trust that could be tapped.

Among his ideas is convincing hotel owners to convert a few rooms to housing in exchange for developing a few higher-end suites that could command higher rates.

"As a former hotel operator, I would love nothing more to have my housekeeper or head maintenance person or manager living in town," he said.

Several members of the public embraced that idea as the least impactful on the town's overall character.

"The hotel idea is the least intrusive option," resident Tasha Witt said.

She also advised the city to appeal the 349-unit allocation, as a few other coastal cities have done successfully. "We are stressed, and we are also accommodating tourists and parking for tourists," she pointed out.

Ferlito repeatedly stated the plan is a state mandate and that ignoring it would deprive the city of taxpayer-funded grants. She also observed that not everyone needs a multi-bedroom house and that some people enjoy living in smaller spaces downtown, where they can walk to markets, stores and restaurants.

Carmel Residents Association board member Nancy Twomey suggested developing public and private parking lots with housing and garages, but she worried about the increased need for parking by the new residents and if local stores could accommodate low-income shoppers.

She also suggested turning Larson Field into a housing development.

Resident Richard Kreitman ticked off the square footage of several parking lots and other public and private properties that could be redeveloped but noted nothing can happen without water. (The workshop was taking place during the California Coastal Commission hearing in Salinas on California American Water's proposed desalination plant, which was approved late that night and still faces numerous regulatory and court challenges before it

becomes reality.)

"Without water, we can't do this," he said.

Property owners who've purchased water might add accessory dwelling units that could check some boxes, he noted, but not enough to satisfy the state's demand.

Zoning changes?

Finally, he suggested the AT&T building at Junipero and Seventh be converted to housing and that the Christian Science church and Carmel Presbyterian be encouraged to build homes on their large properties, too. (The Christian Science church in 2019 proposed to do just that but received no love from the planning commission after neighbors and others objected.)

Realtor Ben Beesley predicted that "zoning is going to have to change in some locations" and said developers will have to be cajoled into producing affordable housing instead of going for the highest amount of money they can get. He suggested a "pay-to-play" setup charging developers a fee to funnel toward low-income housing.

Ashley Stoddard, who owns an art gallery on Dolores Street with her mother and ran for city council earlier this month, said she's excited about prospect of more housing.

"This is an opportunity for our town to be socially and economically at scale to be a real living, thriving community," she said. "We have so many who work here who can't live here."

She suggested looking into upstairs spaces in the commercial zones like hers, where the landlord is having trouble finding businesses to move in. "They're already looking at converting those into units," she said. "This is an opportunity to enrich our community."

Resident Dale Byrne, however, questioned the exercise altogether. He suggested the city get a plan together as quickly as possible so it and its tax dollars can move on to something more meaningful. "I'm a practical person, and it seems to me we're wasting our time" on a plan that will realistically produce no more housing units, he said. "It seems to me this is an academic exercise."

Some residents worried the city would force people to build affordable housing.

"We can't force anybody to do anything," Richards said. "We can create ways for them to do them."

Developers have a lot of options, according to Ferlito, who pointed to San Jose's Santana Row as an example of a downtrodden shopping mall being renovated to include a thriving retail and restaurant scene at street level supported by residents on upper levels. Not that that model would work for Carmel, she added, but the ingenuity might.

"If we all put our heads together, I think we can make room for change," she said.



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LIGHTS

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heightened safety and school spirit, a feeling of exasperation has grown throughout the student body.

“There’s always something wrong, no matter what we do. It kind of feels like a lost cause trying to negotiate with them at this point because we know that no matter what we do, they’re not going to like it,” said senior Mya Schnader, a member of superintendent Ted Knight’s CHS student council, a group focused on addressing students’ needs.

Many students also point out that these residents chose to live by a high school, asserting that in making that decision, they should have been prepared for any upgrades the school decided to make to its campus.

“In choosing to live near a school, they should’ve been prepared to hear bells early in the morning, experience traffic, and in the case of stadium lights, have to deal with two or three hours of lights and some extra traffic once a week or less,” said sophomore Fiona Heilig. “If you’re choosing to live near a school, you are going to be affected by the school, so you can’t pick and choose what aspects of it you’re affected by.”

Among the student body, there are also comparisons of the similarity of circumstances between Carmel High and Pacific Grove High School, which has stadium lights on its football field despite the number of homes across the street on Sunset Drive. Even though the proximity of P.G. residents to the football field is similar to that of Carmel High’s neighbors to its facilities, many of P.G. High’s neighbors say the lights aren’t too bothersome and it’s their pleasure to take one for the team.

“The number of night games throughout the year,

including other sports such as soccer and lacrosse, is so few and spaced out during the different seasons that it feels minimal,” said P.G. High neighbor Beth Shammass, who also served on the Pacific Grove Unified School District board for 12 years. “I have been following the controversy regarding Carmel High’s stadium lights, and it makes me sad that neighbors don’t seem to see the benefit to the community, as well as to themselves as neighbors, in the social goodwill that sports deliver.”

Fond memories

A few of the high school’s neighbors are PGHS alumni like resident Anna Spade, who noted that she has very fond memories of going to night games and thinks that fighting off the installation of lights is “robbing the students of quintessential high school experiences and memories.” She’s not alone.

“The lights and noise remind me of what a wonderful

community this is, with families cheering on the home team,” said P.G. resident and alum Ruth Matthews. “Day games are fun, but night games, with the fog rolling in and everyone freezing, are the best memories.”

Of course, not all of Carmel High’s neighbors are against stadium lights, and some of them share a similar view with P.G. residents like Matthews and Spade.

“Personally, I am in favor of anything that allows students to be safe and to enjoy sports, even if that is into the evening,” said resident David Stihler. “Having grown up in the area and returned after about 30 years, I remain a supporter of the community and the young people who are very much part of its heart and soul.”

In an effort to persuade the CUSD school board to vote in their favor, CHS students intend to attract a large crowd of supporters at the special board meeting Nov. 29 at 5:30 p.m. as a final push for their campaign to install stadium lights.

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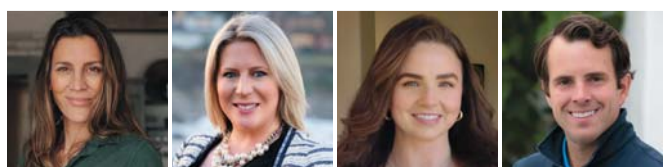
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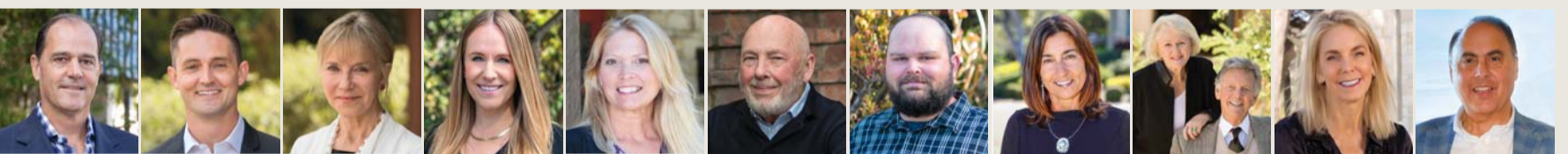
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City wants cash for busted tree limbs

By MARY SCHLEY

FOR THE second time in the last several months, a delivery truck has taken out a tree limb — this time damaging a building, too — and the city plans to file a claim for damages, according to city forester Sara Davis.

In the Nov. 1 early morning collision, a BiRite foodservice delivery truck hit the limbs of a city-owned tree on Lincoln Street. The collision occurred shortly before 6:30 a.m., according to police, and a crew had to come remove the branches.

The incident occurred six months after a Bake-Mark truck sheered a limb off the large oak tree on Ocean Avenue in front of Devendorf Park. In that incident, the branch got caught between the cab and the trailer of the truck, which had pulled into the parking spaces out of the traffic lane.

The limb had to be cut and removed, and the following month, Davis told the forest and beach

commission she would file a claim to recoup some of the cost of the damaged tree. An independent consultant hired by the city appraised the oak at \$140,100 and set the limb's value at \$25,900 based on the tree's age, size and "landmark nature" as an anchor at the southwest corner of the park. The claim also includes the consulting arborist's fee, the cost of having the tree contractor remove the limb, and reimbursement for staff time.

Experts at collecting

The city has retained a company that specializes in collecting claims, Carl Warren & Company, to seek compensation for the broken oak branch and other costs for the city, according to city administrator Chip Rerig. As of late September, "they were still trying to get the insurer of the driver that hit the tree to accept liability and get payment," he said.

Davis said the city will also file a claim against BiRite for the tree hit on Lincoln.

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The virtual auction, Home for the Holidays, is set for Dec 5-10. All the proceeds will help pay for the nonprofit's Rodeo Creek Court project in Santa Cruz.

More information is available at habitatmontereybay.com/events.

GAVEL

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reached behind the shower curtain, outside of Cho's view, grabbed a loaded semiautomatic .45 caliber model 1911 handgun, and pointed it at Cho. The handgun had a live round in the chamber. The thumb safety was off, and the hammer was cocked. Had Gold pulled the trigger, the firearm would have fired a round at Cho, who was standing 6 feet away.

On his back

In response, Cho began firing while she backed out of the bathroom entrance and fell to the ground. Weaver, hearing the shots and seeing Cho fall to the ground, began firing through the wall of the bathroom, believing that Cho had been shot. Cho continued to fire her weapon as she backed away to cover while still on the floor. Weaver fired rounds into the bathroom from different angles through the wall. Once behind cover, Cho stood up and reloaded her weapon while Weaver repositioned to the side of the bathroom door exit. After a brief period of time, without warning or announcement, Gold rushed out of the bathroom, still armed with the firearm, and was fired at by Weaver.

The first few shots missed Gold, so he then rushed back into the bathroom. However, as Gold rushed back into the bathroom, Weaver shot Gold in the upper spine which instantly paralyzed Gold below the neck.

Both officers then saw the model 1911 handgun at the location where Gold rushed out of the bathroom and was shot at by Weaver. The officers found Gold lying just inside of the entrance to the bathroom, on his back, with an Airsoft rifle on his lap. The model 1911 handgun was just a couple feet away from Gold's feet. Upon realizing Gold was injured, the officers then began to render aid and called for an ambulance.

Over the course of the shooting, CHP officers fired 44 rounds and Gold did not fire any in response. Gold received two gunshot wounds, one to the hip and one to the spine. Crime scene evidence showed that Gold had been shot in the hip by a bullet that went through the wall of bathroom while Gold was still inside the bathroom. Scene evidence showed that Gold was still walking around the bathroom until the very end of the shooting.

A sample of Gold's blood was obtained eight hours after the incident. His blood was tested by the California Department of Justice for drug levels. Even after that period of time, Gold's methamphetamine and amphetamine

blood levels were still substantially elevated and consistent with chronic methamphetamine abuse and a high level of intoxication.

Gold's defense team hired retired police officer and psychology professor William Harmening to offer speculative testimony based on unscientific interpretations of crime scene evidence, many of which were later contradicted by independent evidence. During the preliminary hearing in this case, Harmening opined that Cho shot and paralyzed Gold at the start of the shooting. However, subsequent forensic testing of the bullets taken from Gold's body conclusively determined that Weaver's weapon fired both bullets that struck Gold.

The defense team also hired forensic pathologist Dr. Werner Spitz to testify as an expert. Spitz was originally called to testify solely to the medical effect of being shot in the spine. However, during the trial, the defense asked Spitz to offer crime scene reconstruction opinions, even though Spitz had reviewed virtually none of the evidence in this case and had no background in crime scene reconstruction.

After providing some crime scene reconstruction opinions, Spitz was confronted with photographs of the scene that made some of his opinions impossible.

Upon being confronted with these photographs, Spitz told the jury this was not his field of expertise, they shouldn't rely on his reconstruction opinions, he did not vouch for the accuracy of his opinions, and that he re-

lies on the police for those types of opinions.

Gold testified in his own defense and alleged that he was sitting on the toilet of the bathroom when Cho opened the bathroom door. Gold stated that upon seeing the officer, he immediately threw his firearm to her, and the officers started shooting at him. He testified he was paralyzed early in the shooting. He denied ever walking to the part of the bathroom where Cho said she found him. However, upon being confronted with multiple crime scene photographs which showed his version of events was not possible, Gold at one point admitted that the events may not have happened as he remembered.

Why he said yes

Additionally, near the end of his testimony, Gold testified to a fact that directly contradicted his earlier testimony. When asked to explain the discrepancy, Gold admitted that he simply answered, "Yes," to a suggestive question from his attorney which he didn't know the answer to, solely because it was his attorney making the suggestion.

The jury deliberated for two-and-half days and found Gold guilty of all charges and enhancements which were alleged. Judge Mark Hood will preside over the sentencing on Dec. 6.

Gold's maximum possible sentence is 10 years, eight months in state prison. The case was primarily investigated by DA investigator Alicia Cox and former DA investigator Jorge Gutierrez.

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There is a Better Way

Instead, a straightforward, justifiable and phased approach would meet most of the District's stated objectives and provide immediate benefits to all, while avoiding extreme and unnecessary impacts to nearby neighbors and the Carmel area generally.

To get on this path, CUSD's BOE should vote on Nov. 29 to:

1. Immediately, in Summer 2023, begin improving campus parking, traffic and infrastructure, without installing stadium lights.
2. In Fall 2023, implement Late Start along with an adjusted bell schedule designed to provide for adequate afternoon practices and other activities, as done successfully by many other California schools.
3. In Fall 2025, after a two-year, objective evaluation of this approach, determine whether other options need to be considered, including using alternate locations, like CMS, for evening practices and night games, or installing lower intensity, practice lights at CHS.

This rational, performance-based approach delivers immediate benefits to the CUSD community, while gathering the evidence to more objectively justify imposing potentially unnecessary impacts on the wider Carmel community. Additionally, if the pending 'Daylight Protection Act' passes in the House, the need for lighted evening practices is eliminated, as is the primary justification for expensive and contentious stadium lights.

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VOTES

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people who voted later and on Election Day may have been confused by the ballot question,” Coletti said.

According to Monterey County Registrar of Voters Gina Martinez, the county is “targeting final certified results for Wednesday, Nov. 30.”

Even if the measure doesn’t pass, Coletti said it will likely be back. “There’s a good chance the council would consider putting this on the ballot in 2024,” he said.

Coletti said the idea of shrinking the council makes sense, and that’s its pretty much common practice everywhere. “Ninety percent of city councils are five-member bodies,” he reported.

The councilman said reducing the number of council seats will lead to better-qualified candidates. “This leads to better governance and representation,” he added.

Rau could lose seat

Beck, a planning commissioner and real estate broker,

has a 52-vote edge over Rau, who has courted controversy in her role leading the city’s diversity task force. Beck has 2,985 votes, while Rau has 2,933.

Beck and Rau are contesting the last of three open council seats. Joe Amelio, an incumbent, and Lori McDonnell, a medical research coordinator for the Stanford School of Medicine, each won council seats by a safe margin. Amelio had 3,903 votes, while McDonnell had 3,778.

In another Pacific Grove race, Mayor Bill Peake cruised to reelection with 4,372 votes. His opponent, Mike Wachs, had just 2,341 votes.

Also passing were measures M (71 percent) and N (61 percent). The first will allow retail sales of medical or recreational cannabis but limit the business to a single location within the city. The second establishes the tax rate the shop would pay at no more than “6 percent of gross receipts for retail and delivery cannabis businesses.”

The cannabis tax is expected to raise \$300,000 a year for Pacific Grove. The measure also spells out how the city plans to spend the money, giving it lots of flexibility. The money would be used for “general municipal expenses such as police, fire, roads and recreation, and for unrestricted general fund purposes.”

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SHERIFF

From page 5A

at the sheriff's office."

Cmdr. Garrett Sanders works in investigations at the Monterey County Sheriff's Office and will be promoted into Nieto's high-level staff.

"He has been all over the sheriff's office," Nieto said. "During the election, I met with most of the leadership team, from commanders on up, and I asked about strengths and weaknesses of their peers. Garrett came to the top among most of those people."

Nieto didn't expand much on why, having promised everyone confidentiality, though she said his peers described him as being a team player who gets along well with others and listens to them.

"The stories I heard talked about my values of integrity, honesty and building trust with people," she said.

And Del Rey Oaks Police Chief Jeff Hoyne is also making the leap to the sheriff's office after unsuccessfully running against Nieto in the June primary election.

"He and I sat down for coffee and talked about the direction we saw the sheriff's office moving in," she said.

IMPRESSIVE

From page 8A

was still in the middle of a real estate boom, "but when we went on the market, everything had quieted down," Cicily Sterling said. "I had some big clients from Silicon Valley who expressed interest, and all of a sudden, some people said, 'I can't make it down.'"

Her husband's designs, though, "always attract attention," she said, and the buyers of the Crespi Lane home moved quickly as soon as they saw it.

"Even in this market, if you have a quality project, you'll still get close to your asking," she said.

SKATEPARK

From page 9A

Proponents have created a website for the campaign to establish a skatepark at pgskatepark.org. They estimate the cost of building it will be \$750,000.

Leave forest alone

Some oppose putting the skatepark in Washington Park. Resident Paul Walkingstick told The Pine Cone that he and others support a skatepark in P.G., but it should go elsewhere. "The focus in the park needs to be on rehabilitation, not further deforestation," Walkingstick said.

The survey will end Dec. 23, and results are anticipated to be available in February 2023. To take it, visit cityofpg.org/skateparkproject.

"We share the same values."

Hoyne has less experience, though, and Nieto said he believes she can mentor him to take him to the next level, "should he strive to be undersheriff or sheriff, or maybe a big city chief."

OK to run against her

Of her cabinet members, she said, "I want to see them succeed, and if they want to run against me six years from now, good for them."

Nieto acknowledged the shifts she's making up top are significant but said she heard from voters that they want changes in the county's largest law enforcement agency.

"I know the people I'm bringing into my cabinet will get the work done. They all know that too: If you don't get the work done, I'll ask you to go work somewhere else," she said. "I really want to make the sheriff's office the best in the state, if not in the country. In order to do that, I have to surround myself with a team that excels and provide the tools for people to be in the best positions they can be in."

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Wrapping up a fall sports season filled with plenty of shining stars

THE 2022 fall sports season was exceptionally successful for athletes at Carmel, Stevenson and Santa Catalina high schools, who won league titles and CCS contests in multiple sports and recorded several milestones. Here's a summary.

Water polo

Stevenson's girls (22-9) lost 11-10 Saturday to top-seeded Woodcreek High in Roseville in the championship game of the Division 3 NorCal tournament.

The Pirates, seeded No. 2 in the bracket, became the first county water polo team, male or female, to win a CCS championship, and the first to play in the NorCal Regionals, where they routed Porterville 21-6 in Tuesday's quarterfinals, then pounded third-seeded Northgate 17-8 in Thursday's semis.

Santa Catalina (12-3, runner-up to Stevenson in the PCAL) also qualified for the Division 2 CCS tournament, losing to Harker in the opening round.

Stevenson's boys (15-9) qualified for Division 2 CCS, beat Hillsdale in first round, lost 11-10 to Soquel in semifinals.

Carmel boys (17-9, second in the PCAL) also qualified for the Division 2 CCS bracket, where they lost their first-round game 10-5 to St. Ignatius.

All-PCAL girls — First team: Sofia Bozzo, sr., Stevenson (Most Valuable Player); Emmerson Ferriera, so., Stevenson (Offensive Player of the Year); Sienna Cimoli, so., Stevenson (Defensive Player of the Year); Miranda

Stevenson (Most Valuable Player); Tate Escher, jr., Stevenson (Defensive Player of the Year); Tristan Evans, sr., Stevenson; Ryan Brennan, sr., Carmel; Cole Montgomery, sr., Carmel; London Selby-Lara, jr., Carmel; Massao Gonzales, sr., Pacific Grove; Ronan Nardone, sr., Pacific Grove; Dylan Pettas, sr., Monterey.

Second team: Justin Guo, sr., Stevenson; Laird Welch, fr., Stevenson; Zaiden Bode, sr., Carmel; David Cortez, jr., Carmel; Weston Eldridge, sr., Pacific Grove; River Lyon, so., Pacific Grove; Ashton Devine, sr., Monterey; Ethan Myers, sr., Monterey; Henry Vetter, fr., Palma.

Cross country

The Carmel Padres placed second as a team in the girls and boys divisions of the CCS Division 4 Cross Country Championships at Crystal Springs in Belmont, qualifying their full teams for the upcoming CIF State Championships. That race is scheduled for Saturday at Woodland Park.

Carmel boys were led at CCS by sophomore Mack Aldi (fourth place, 16:05), and seniors Aiden Tarantino (fifth) and Dylan Craig (sixth), both clocked at 16:11. Tyler Imamura, a senior, finished 22nd, and a pair of freshman, Connor Bone and Bodhi Melton, placed 47th and 51st.

Carmel's fastest girl, sophomore Ava Ghio, placed fourth in 19:04, freshman Lila Glazier was 15th, senior Rayleigh Teague was 26th, sophomore Jadyne Lome was 31st and junior Christiana Kvittek was 32nd.

Girls golf

Stevenson placed third as a team at the Central Coast Section Championships at Laguna Seca Golf Ranch, led by Nikki Iniakov's 11th-place individual finish. She shot 77. Coco He placed 33rd Anjela Abianco was 34th, Michelle Wang was 48th, Siobhan Ong was 55th and Erin Kang was



PHOTOS/KERRY BELSER

Three-sport athlete Trent Toole (left) led Stevenson in receiving, helping the Pirates to their first league football crown since 2000. Catalina senior Lara Yuan, (right) unbeaten in the regular season, was the only PCAL tennis player to advance past the first round in CCS tennis this fall.

84th for the Pirates in the 114-player field.

Sophie Southard was Carmel's highest CCS finisher in 28th place, followed by Megan Ikemiya (44th), Anna Kroker (64th), Elise Rydeheard (70th), Ava Martin (78th), and Sydney Ozell (81st) to help the Padres to an eighth-place finish in the 16-team field.

Stevenson qualified as a team for the NorCal Regional Championships at Berkeley County Club in El Cerrito, where Iniakov tied for 10th place with a 76 (4 over par), followed by He (14th), Wang (56th), Ong (64th), Kang (66th), and Abianco (69th). Stevenson placed ninth in the 11-school team competition.

Iniakov tied for 43rd place at the state meet on Nov. 16 at San Gabriel Country Club, where she shot a 15-over-par 87.

Girls volleyball

Carmel (19-9) was top seeded in CCS Division 4, beat

See SPORTS next page

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

Salinger, so., Stevenson; Riley Barringer, jr., Santa Catalina; Sonja Buran, sr., Carmel; Delany Reeder, so., Monterey; Maddie Day, sr., Notre Dame; Coley Corrigan, sr., San Benito.

Second team: Anna Mitchell, so., Stevenson; Arielle Dale, so., Stevenson; Michaela Miller, sr., Stevenson; Quinn Connolly, fr., Santa Catalina; Sophie Fieber, jr., Santa Catalina; Grace Lyons, sr., Pacific Grove; Ella Clifton, jr., Monterey; Eden Burnett, sr., Salinas; Maddie Corrigan, sr., San Benito.

All-PCAL boys — First team: Wylie Dale, sr.,

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Harker 22-25, 26-24, 25-12, 25-16 in quarterfinals, and lost in the semis to eventual champ Mercy in three sets.

The Padres were 10-2 in the Gabilan Division, second to CCS Division 1 runner-up Salinas. Santa Catalina, 12-10 overall, was the Gabilan's fifth-place team.

Stevenson (12-11 overall) finished fourth in the Mission Division.

All-Gabilan Division — First team: Carolyn Byrne, jr., Carmel; Riley Imamura, so., Carmel; Anna Yeh, sr., Santa Catalina; Yena Paris, sr., Salinas; Elizabeth Pozas, sr., Salinas; Sabrina Moore, jr., Salinas; Olivia Silacci-Jensen, sr.,

Salinas; Addison Amaral, sr., Notre Dame; Caitlin Miller, sr., San Benito.

All-Mission Division — First team: Gina Da Silva, so., Stevenson; Sage Flores, sr., King City (Most Valuable Player); Isabella Madrigal, sr., Monte Vista Christian (Offensive Player of the Year); Brianna Morgan, jr., Pacific Grove (Best All-Around); Elizabeth McCulstion, so., Monte Vista Christian; Julia Mendez, sr., King City; Ava Marshall, sr., Pacific Grove; Jordyn Pascone, sr., North Salinas; Sia Halai, sr., Monterey.

Football

Stevenson won its first league trophy in 22 years, capturing the Pacific Coast Athletic League's Santa Lucia division championship with a 6-0 record to qualify for the CCS playoffs for only the third time in school history.

The Pirates finished 6-3 overall after a 38-18 first-round loss to Palo Alto in the Division 5 sectional bracket.

Carmel was the fourth-place team in the PCAL's Mission Division with a 3-3 record. The Padres were 5-5 overall and didn't make the playoffs.

All-league teams will be released by the PCAL this week.

Girls tennis

Santa Catalina's Lara Yuan had an undefeated regular-season, then beat Aptos' Holly Hegna in the opening round of CCS singles championships, 6-0, 6-1, but lost in quarterfinals to second-seeded Ava Martin of Menlo-Atherton, 6-0, 6-0.

Two Carmel teams and one from Stevenson competed in the CCS doubles tournament, but neither advanced past the first round.

Carmel High entered two doubles teams at CCS. Gia Panetta and Alyssa Moore lost 6-2, 6-1 to Carlmont's Lisa Borchelt and Brooke Franaszek. Odessa Peinado and Sofia Posadas fell to Monte Vista's Lelani and Zoe Laruelle, 6-2, 6-0. Stevenson's Carla Winzer and Katrina Bauer lost 6-0, 6-0 to Ariella Chua-Gozani and Tali Gabovich of Crystal Springs.

Field hockey

Carmel became the first Monterey Peninsula school to win a first-round CCS game in field hockey, defeating Homestead on Oct. 31 — a game that was scoreless during regulation and overtime play. The Padres prevailed 3-2 in a shootout.

Stevenson also made the playoffs, losing 3-2 to Prospect in another overtime thriller.

Both teams were 9-3-2 going into the post season after tying for second in the PCAL's Gabilan Division. The Pirates and Padres battled to a tie twice during the regular season, 0-0 in Pebble Beach in September and 1-1 in their season finale on Oct. 25. Both were overtime games.

All-PCAL — First team: Emma Heiser, Carmel (Goalie of the Year); Harmony Jones, Stevenson (Defensive Player of the Year); Nicole Maduena, San Benito (Offensive Player of the Year); Molly Bufkin, Stevenson; Lena Maderer, Stevenson; Abby Shipnuck, Carmel; Sophia Cho, Carmel; Teresa Planas, San Benito; McKenzie Heckman, San Benito; Laila Rueda, San Benito; Katherine Beck, Salinas; Sophie Robledo, Salinas; Sophia Ty, Notre Dame; Mia Henson, Monterey.

Second team: Riley Palshaw, Carmel; Fiona Hirschfield, Carmel; Claire Cook, Carmel; Chelsea Kutz, San Benito; Callie Marcie, San Benito; Ariana Rivera, San Benito; Aliyah Gayta, San Benito; Jenna Cisneros, Salinas; Leslie Jimenez, Salinas; Brooke Souza, Notre Dame; Johanna Garcia, Monterey.



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Carmel's girls and boys cross country teams each placed second in the team competitions at CCS this season.

PUBLIC NOTICES

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **SOUTHALL CONSTRUCTION, 47320 Highway 1, Big Sur, CA 93920.**
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S/Lyle Southall
Date signed: Oct. 25, 2022.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 27, 2022.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
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County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **ETTER'S RELIABLE PLUMBING & HEATING SERVICES, 449 Redwood Ave., Sand City, CA 93955.**
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
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S/Shelly Etter, CFO
Date: Oct. 27, 2022
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 7, 2022.
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Mailing address: P.O. Box 3750, Culver City, CA 90231.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **SHERWOOD MANAGEMENT CO INC, 5700 Hannum Avenue, Culver City 90230.**
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S/David Sherwood, CEO
Date: Oct. 21, 2022
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 27, 2022.
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. 22CV003511
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, LAURA ELENA LARA ESCOBEDO, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. Present name: LAURA ELENA LARA ESCOBEDO
Proposed name: LAURA ELENA MEEKS
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name change

described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING:
DATE: Jan. 13, 2023
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
DEPT: 13
The address of the court is 1200 Agujito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.
(s) Thomas W. Willis
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: Nov. 15, 2022
Publication Dates: Nov. 18, 25; Dec. 2, 9, 2022. (PC 1114)

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S/Vanessa Potter
Date signed: Nov. 8, 2022
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 8, 2022.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
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S/Fernando Rodas Pedro
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MONTEREY MATRESS HOTELIER DIRECT, 26384 Carmel Rancho Lane, Ste. 103, Carmel, CA 93923.**
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County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
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S/Brian Gingerich, CEO
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Editorial

Keep it local

WHEN PEOPLE ask us for home delivery of the print edition of The Pine Cone, we always feel honored. We want everyone to read the newspaper, of course, and if someone goes to the trouble of contacting us for special access, it means they really want to read it.

But there are always a few things we think it's important for anyone who asks for the print edition to know, because compared to the electronic edition, the print version is very costly to produce (about \$800,000 a year for 18,000 weekly copies) and comes with other costs, too, such as cutting trees to make the paper, delivering the paper to the printing plant, running the printing presses, and then delivering all the finished copies on Friday mornings to thousands of homes and businesses around the Peninsula. Meanwhile, the email edition, which is identical to the print one, is sent out Thursday nights at 9 p.m. at very low cost and with minuscule environmental impacts.

Which brings us to the holiday shopping season and the importance of resisting the urge to order most of your gifts online. We know it's tempting just to click "order now," even for the tiniest purchase, especially since some businesses make it so easy, but we think it's important to consider what has to happen behind the scenes before you get your hands on all those robot vacuums, sous vide cookers and noise-reducing earbuds.

Unlike news, most of the things on Christmas gift lists don't exist in electronic form, and producing material goods and getting them to the warehouses is the same whether you buy the finished products in stores or have them delivered. However, the environment impacts of having everything dropped off at individual homes are much higher than if everybody does their shopping at a central location, whether it be a shopping center or downtown business district. That much is obvious. But there's an even bigger problem with all those deliveries — namely, that such a high percentage of things ordered online end up being sent back.

According to the Wall Street Journal, the value of goods returned in this country more than doubled, from \$309 billion in 2019 to \$761 billion last year, and have now reached 16 percent of all retail sales. And when you make a return, the process is even more inefficient than placing the original order — mainly because returned goods require individual handling, and because many returns are packed in boxes that contain mostly air, meaning a lot more trucks are required to move them than if they were packed proficiently. Customers hate returning things, too.

So what causes all those returns? The No. 1 reason is what the trade calls "fit mismatches" — especially for items like shirts, pants and shoes that require accurate sizing. Getting the wrong size is something that is much less likely to happen if you make your purchases in a store.

This newspaper constantly reminds its readers to shop locally, and with online shopping continuing to grow, we'd like to make that appeal even more urgently now, because not only does having dozens of packages delivered to your home hurt the environment, it's terrible for the stores near you that depend on having customers to keep their doors open.

So this year save yourself from having to make a lot of annoying returns, reduce the number of delivery trucks plying the roads, and help protect the businesses in your neighborhood by shopping local. It really makes a difference.

BEST of BATES



"Hey! You missed one!"

Letters to the Editor

'Missed the mark'

Dear Editor,

You are certainly entitled to your opinion, but your editorial in the Nov. 18 issue ("Gumming up the works") may have missed the mark. To go after the people and their mechanism to express themselves does not strike me as adding value to the discourse. Certainly, styles, tools and the way people go about advocating or criticizing a concept or issue can be frustrating, but it's usually due to inexperience, a lack of understanding on who and how they may be able to effectively express themselves or it can be tactical, which they are also entitled to.

As you highlighted, perhaps last year, people should seek out change in the building codes for a neighborhood pertaining to height, percentage of a lot that can be used, lights or whatever it may be, rather than file a suit against someone who may simply be following the rules.

In the case of the CHS lights, per your own paper's reporting, it is superintendent Knight and the the CUSD BOD that are attempting to "exempt themselves from Monterey County's zoning, building ordinances and regulations, including the general plan, the Carmel Valley Master Plan and any other related county ordinances or regulations that would be applicable."

We have those regulations, ordinances

and plans in place for a reason — to have an orderly construct to allow development to proceed — that hopefully takes into consideration all stakeholders from the environment, to the developer (or family) to community residents. For the CUSD to attempt to blow through them all is not right or fair and certainly not consistent with your past thoughtful and thought-provoking editorials.

Robert Kahn, Los Angeles

School district's permit process

Dear Editor,

The Carmel Unified School District wishes to thank The Pine Cone for its continued and thorough coverage of district topics and events. In this most recent edition, the front-page story, "State to take over stadium lights permits," reviewed a standard state process for school facility projects we'd like to provide some clarification on for our community.

An exemption from local zoning is done by school districts across the state. This is because Division of the State Architect has oversight on school district projects, not local cities and counties. The state is not taking over as they have the jurisdiction in the first place. The exemption resolution is a formality and many school districts don't bother, but technically, board action and a resolution are required. Accordingly, because CUSD is intent on following the letter of the law and maintaining full transparency, the board adopted this resolution.

The district acknowledges that certain

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What to do when you discover your muse is a real menace

CARMEL AND the Monterey Peninsula have been known as an artists' colony for more than a century. A unique subset of the Peninsula's artists are the cartoonists, many of whom have called it home. The one I came to know best was Eldon Dedini (1921-2006), who is most famous for his colorful cartoons that ran for decades in Playboy and Esquire. Locally, he created the logo for Del Monte Golf Course and art for numerous posters and programs. But several other local cartoonists added color and levity to the community.

Gus Arriola (1917-2008) created the popular syndicated "Gordo" comic strip, which ran from 1941 to 1985. Others

Dennis the Menace" (1991), that he got his start at Disney in 1939 as a temporary artist on "Pinocchio." This, only after spending more than a year drawing Andy Panda cartoons for the Walter Lantz studio. Ketcham remained at Disney working on "Bambi," "The Wind in the Willows," "Fantasia" and numerous Donald Duck shorts.

When World War II broke out, Ketcham didn't wait to be drafted. He went home to Seattle and enlisted in the Naval Reserve. On Jan. 2, 1942, he was sworn in as a photographer's mate third class. Soon after reporting to the Bremerton Navy Yard, he was transferred to Washington, D.C., where the Navy put his special skills to work creating motivational posters and cartoons. Ketcham's assignment only required eight hours a day, leaving plenty of time for other interests.

Amazingly soon after he arrived in Washington, Ketcham met Alice Mahar. She was two years older and hailed from Malden, Mass., before becoming an accounting secretary at the Pentagon. They married June 13, 1942. In evenings at home, Ketcham began working on freelance cartoons.

New England home

Most famous of the animated cartoon characters Ketcham created for the Navy was Mr. Hook, a hapless, diminutive seaman first class who appeared in theater shorts to promote the sale of war bonds. (They can be viewed on YouTube.) In his freelancing, Ketcham created a more humorous seaman named "Half Hitch," who became a regular feature in the Saturday Evening Post. By 1944, his freelance cartoons were also appearing in Collier's, True, and Liberty magazines.

The success of his efforts for the Navy saw him promoted to chief petty officer by the time the war was over. He was discharged in 1946, never having left the States. Rather than return to Disney, Ketcham decided to stay in the East and continue to sell cartoons to magazines. The Ketchams rented a home in Westport, Conn., from which he could easily meet with publishers in Manhattan. On Sept. 11, 1946, Dennis Ketcham was born in Norwalk. While the real Dennis was born in the East, the cartoon bearing his name was born in Carmel.

Virgil Partch, a fellow prewar animator from Disney, had moved to Carmel Valley and encouraged Ketcham to join him. Ketcham's work — cartoons and advertising illustrations — was selling well, and he no longer needed weekly meetings in Manhattan.

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History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

included Jimmy Hatlo (1897-1963) whose "They'll Do it Every Time" ran in newspapers across the country for more than three decades, from 1929 until his death. Frank O'Neal's (1921-1986) "Short Ribs" comic strip was published from 1958 to 1973. Bill O'Malley (1903-1975) had a home on Camino Real from which he produced several books of cartoons and illustrations for numerous newspapers, including The Pine Cone. Bill Bates (1930-2009) is a local icon for his Carmel cartoons that are still seen weekly in The Pine Cone (see page 22A).

'Merchant of Dennis'

But perhaps the local cartoonist to gain the greatest notoriety was Henry King "Hank" Ketcham (1920-2001). When he filed his draft registration in July 1941, he acknowledged being born on March 14, 1920, in Seattle, Wash. The lanky 5-foot-11, 164-pound artist was then living at Manhattan Beach in Los Angeles and working at Walt Disney Studios. We learn from his autobiography, "The Merchant of



PHOTO/FROM "THE MERCHANT OF DENNIS THE MENACE" P. 104

Four-year-old Dennis Ketcham sits on his cartoonist father's lap in the Carmel Woods studio where Hank Ketcham created the "Dennis the Menace" cartoon in late 1950.

After years of playing the critic, he started painting on a dare

A QUESTION routinely posed to artists — "How long did it take you to paint that?" — often elicits this response from Carmel painter Peter K. Brooks:

"The answer is 78 years," he'll say. "Everything I've experienced is in that painting. That's my life."

Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

Brooks, a self-taught abstract expressionist, discovered a secret years ago that guides him today: "Don't think about it — just do," he said.

"If I didn't know what I was going to paint, I'd find an image of something I liked, mimic one or two strokes, then let go," Brooks said. "From there, it would take on a life of its own. It was like priming the pump."

A personal experience

He'll also defer to an inquisitor who asks, "What does this painting mean?"

"What does it mean to you?" he'll counter. There are no wrong answers when interpreting abstract art, Brooks declared. It's a personal experience.

That personal experience, for Brooks, began in Minnesota, where his youthful passion — much to his mother's horror — was rock 'n' roll.

"I was probably a sixth-grader when I asked her if I could buy an Elvis record," he remembered. "She said, 'I won't allow it. That music will undo your church training!'"

Six months later, after abating his mother's willpower, he bought "Baby, Let's

Play House," dropped the needle into the groove, and immediately discovered that she was right.

"It absolutely undid my church training," said Brooks, who, at age 15, was playing guitar in a garage band.

"I think we basically knew two songs — one was fast, one was slow — but we had a good-looking singer and a drummer who could keep the beat. For whatever it's worth, our drummer went on to become a singer-songwriter who won a Grammy with Bonnie Raitt."

A Wall Street career

He graduated from a St. Paul high school, spent two years at the University of Pennsylvania, graduated from the University of Minnesota, then married his high school sweetheart.

Peter and Incy Brooks immediately moved to New York City, where he was hired as a Wall Street broker for J.P. Morgan, beginning a career that spanned 30 years. She also scored a great job working for Sotheby's auction house.

"I wasn't doing anything artistic then, but Incy and I saw a lot of Sotheby's art shows as they were hanging the paintings before an auction," he said. "I became very interested in the non-objective abstract impressionist painters who were popular in the late 1940s, '50s, and '60s. And I wasn't shy about critiquing other people's work."

Twenty-eight years ago, on his 50th birthday, Incy gave him paints, brushes, canvases and a double-dog dare: "OK, you've been critiquing other painters. Now let's see what you can do," she told him.

"She scared the crap out of me," he said. "So I put them in a closet, which is where they stayed until I saw my daughter, Holly, packing them into her car as she was headed off to college."

'Use it or lose it'

"What are you doing?" Brooks asked.

"Well, you're not using them," Holly said.

"Uh, yeah ... but they're mine."

"Well, use it or lose it," his daughter argued.

So, he began to paint as Peter K. Brooks, to avoid any confusion with Broadway director Peter Brook. Internet search engines always seemed to find Brook, of course, but Brooks and Incy occasionally benefited.

"Sometimes, when we tried to get into a crowded restaurant in New York, they gave us a table because they thought I was Peter Brook, the director," he remembered with

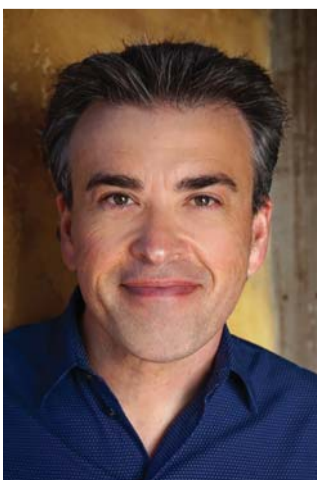
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Carmel artist Peter K. Brooks is a prolific abstract expressionist and a singer-songwriter who has recorded four albums.

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A drummer who can ‘bring the fire without overpowering things’

LEON JOYCE Jr. sensed at a young age that life was about improvising the beat when the moment called to him.

Joyce, a Seaside resident, evolved into a grand master of rhythms, a world-class jazz drummer whose improvisational riffs have complemented the music of Smokey Robinson, Teena Marie, Pete Fountain, Patti LaBelle, Howard Hewitt, Clark Terry, Nancy Wilson and Ramsey Lewis, among many others.

“A lot of people have called me a natural,” said the 66-year-old musician, who gigs most Saturdays from 3 to 6 p.m., at Deja Blue in Seaside.

He’s been hearing that kind of compliment for most of

sought out by some of the greatest jazz performers of our time. In addition to the icons already mentioned, he has played live or contributed to the albums of Norman Connors, Tom Browne, Ann Hampton-Callaway, Yve Evans, Monty Alexander, Barry Harris, James Carter, Conti Condoni, Ellis Marsalis, Yve Evans, Larry Coryell, Gary Bartz, Billy Harper, Claude T. Smith and Mary Wilson. And that’s the short list.

What separates a great jazz drummer from a good one?

“They listen. They swing. They anticipate. They join the musical conversation and they don’t take over the whole thing,” Whittington said.

The late jazz pianist and composer Ramsey Lewis — who worked extensively with Joyce — often said, “When I need things to be quiet, Leon Joyce is still able to bring the fire without overpowering things.”

“My sensitivity and my ability to play with excitement, but still quietly, got developed in the Marine Corps,” Joyce explained. “Some of my mentors said there are a lot of professional drummers out there who can’t do that. They’re heavy handed.”

A happy childhood

Joyce was the firstborn of three children — spoiled rotten, he said, by four doting aunts (his mother’s sisters) — in Meriden, Conn., midway between New Haven and Hartford on I-95.

“It was a smallish city, but had a lot of art-type things going on, and I was very fortunate to be a part of some experimental music programs as a child,” said Joyce, who was 7 when his mother noticed him hammering endlessly on cardboard boxes with pencils, or on pots and pans with spoons, whenever he heard music on the radio or TV.

As a fourth-grader at Jonathan Trumbull Elementary, he joined the new Washington Park Drum and Bugle Corps as a 9-year-old snare drummer, and his parents bought his first full set of drums when he was 12.

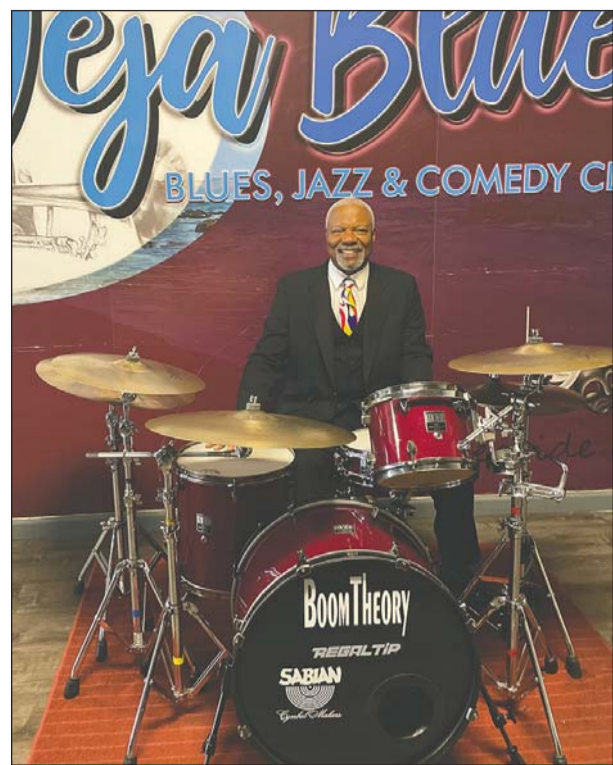
“We set up the drums in my room, which was right in the middle of our three-bedroom house. My parents’ bedroom was in the back and my sisters’ room was in the front, so everybody got to hear me practicing,” Joyce remembered with a laugh.

He demonstrated so much enthusiasm that his parents hired a private instructor, John Oblon, who taught him posture, stick control, and how to read music. Then, Oblon handed him off to another pro drummer, Jimmy Rozelle, for more advanced instruction.

Touring at 16

The youngster was a quick study and was invited to play with multiple bands, including pit orchestras for school musicals including “Jesus Christ Superstar” and “South Pacific,” which led to a significant gig by the time he was a 16-year-old high school sophomore.

“I was hired by a college theater group to play in their pit band. I traveled with them for two weeks around Connecticut and Massachusetts, doing the Broadway musical ‘Hair,’” he said. “I got my driver’s license just before we left, and had to show my ID to everybody in the cast. They didn’t believe I was 16.”



PHOTO/DENNIS TAYLOR

Leon Joyce Jr. began drumming as a child and grew up to perform with music legends. He plays Saturdays at Deja Blue in Seaside.

Two years later, a recruiter signed him up for the Marine Corps and nudged him to audition for the music program.

“I was in boot camp two weeks after I graduated from high school,” he said. “That was tough — the drill instructor got in my face the very first day and I thought he was going to lay me out, but he didn’t. In fact, he made me a squad leader.”

Joyce credited his 21-year career in the Marines for much of the progress he made as a musician, playing military events and off-base gigs in Iwakuni, Japan, Camp Lejeune, N.C., Parris Island, S.C., Albany, Ga., San Diego, and 5 1/2 years in New Orleans.

“I got hired there by Louis Armstrong’s only protégé, Teddy Riley, who made me his drummer three nights a week for three years at Storyville Jazz Hall,” said Joyce, just 22 at the time. “Local musicians kept coming around to check out this outsider who was playing at one of the premier spots in the French Quarter with one of the top performers in New Orleans.”

He retired as a gunnery sergeant in 1997 with multiple military awards and commendations, fully intending to become a full-time professional musician — a plan not well received by his mother.

Mom: ‘Do something else’

“I had two daughters and was married at the time, and my mother wasn’t real keen when I told her I was going to make music my career,” he said. “She said, ‘Leon, you need to be doing something else.’”

He ignored the advice, and as he followed his dream, doors kept opening.

In 1998, the retired Marine was playing with multiple bands in Chicago, including casual gigs with Larry Gray, bass player for jazz great Ramsey Lewis.

“Somebody told me Larry had been talking about me to Mr. Lewis, and I said, ‘Oh, really? Well, he’s never said anything to me about that!’”

A few weeks later, the legendary pianist called Joyce and said, “Leon Joyce? This is Ramsey Lewis. Larry Gray tells me you’re the guy in this town. I’ve got some gigs I need covered. Would you be interested?”

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Great Lives

By DENNIS TAYLOR

his life, but Joyce looks back with wonder at all of the talented instructors and drummers who have shared their secrets with him through the years, mentored him through the business side of the music world and kicked open doors on his behalf.

“There are so many great drummers out there that nobody’s heard of,” said his friend Dick Whittington, a jazz pianist well known to music aficionados on the Peninsula, as well as in the San Francisco Bay area. “A lot of them, like Leon, are just as good as the well-known guys, but they don’t travel much because that lifestyle doesn’t fit for them.”

Joyce, said Whittington, has been the go-to jazz drummer on the Peninsula for a lot of years, but also has been



SUSAN BURKE THAMER

Susan Burke Thamer, long-time resident of Carmel Valley and Del Rey Oaks, passed away on November 9, 2022.

Susan was born on February 17, 1933, to Dr. George Treble Burke and Cleo May Burke in San Marino, California. After graduating from South Pasadena High School in 1950, she went on to study political science at the University of California, Berkeley and was a loyal member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority.

After graduating from Cal, she married Stanford graduate Dougald Harris Thamer and settled in Piedmont, California where she had three children: Peter, Sarah, and James.

In 1974, the family moved to Carmel Valley where she continued to raise her children and pursued her lifelong passion of playing tennis. Susan was an accomplished tennis player and a long-time member of The Carmel Valley Racquet Club (a.k.a.: CVAC) where she worked and was a member for many years. Over the decades she made countless friends and had wonderful memories of games, matches, and tournaments.

Her hobbies also included hiking, gardening, and raising chickens.

Susan was predeceased by her parents, George and Cleo, her brother George Jr., and her son Peter. She is survived by her sister Florence, daughter Sarah, son James (Jennifer), grandson Ian, and many nieces and nephews.

A celebration of life will be held in spring of 2023 - date to be determined.

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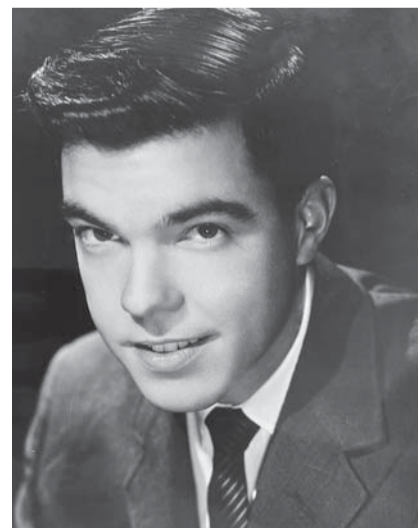
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LIVES

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At their first rehearsal, Lewis stunned Joyce, offering a drum solo on a CD he was recording.

"I was horrified at first — talk about pressure — but then I thought about 21 years in the Marines, playing in front of a lot of big crowds, and I just did my thing.

He's going to be a star

Lewis liked the solo, told Joyce to do another one, then abruptly stood up from his piano. "This guy is going to be a star,"

he declared.

He invited Joyce to provide percussion for "Meant to Be," a CD he was recording with Nancy Wilson, then took him to an outdoor show in Phoenix, where they played before an audience of 5,000.

"He said, 'Leon, I'd rather you be aggressive and make mistakes than be timid and correct. Forget everything we did in rehearsals and have a good time,'" Joyce recalled.

When their set concluded, Joyce was summoned backstage, where he found Lewis waiting with a bottle of champagne and two glasses.

"He hired me on the spot as his primary drummer," he remembered. "I called my

mother, who said, 'Ramsey Lewis? The jazz pianist?' I said, 'Yes, Mother.' And she never doubted my ability to put food on the table as a drummer again."

Joyce's life took a dramatic turn in 2002, when he played with Lewis at the Monterey Jazz Festival, where Nancy Wilson also was on the bill.

Just before heading to the fairgrounds for their Sunday show in front of 9,000 people — the festival's largest crowd in a decade — Joyce and musician Larry Gray walked through the ballroom at the Hyatt Hotel, where the performers had congregated.

"Nancy Wilson waved me over to a table, where she was sitting with six other women and invited me to sit down in an empty chair," recalled Joyce — by then single again. He found himself seated next to Wilson's niece, Barbara Joyce. They bantered about their coincidental surname, compared notes, decided they probably weren't related, and started a good friendship that developed into a romance.

"We got together in 2008," said Joyce, who subsequently relocated to the San Francisco Bay Area, moved with Barbara

to Seaside in May 2012, and married her in 2014.

A talented vocalist herself, Barbara Joyce hails from a musical family. Her father, baritone Albert Joyce, sang at the first Monterey Jazz Festival in 1958; her sister, Debbie, makes a living as a vocalist in Hollywood.

"Barbara became Nancy Wilson's tour manager, saw the business side of the music industry, and didn't care for it at all," Leon said. "She still doesn't."

Joyce performs locally, usually at Deja Blue, with bassist Ken Okada and organist Brian Ho, and a variety of vocalists. He has appeared at the Carmel Jazz Fest, the San Francisco Jazz Festival, the JVC Jazz Festival in California and Colorado, the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival, Chicago's jazz and blues festivals and the South Shore Jazz and Heritage Festival.

Visit dejabluelive.com, or check Leon Joyce Jr.'s Facebook page for schedule updates. Deja Blue is located at 500 Broadway Ave.

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HISTORY

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His agent took care of sales. A successful freelance cartoonist can work anywhere, so, tiring of New England winters, the Ketchams moved to the Monterey Peninsula in 1949.

They rented a cottage in New Monterey while having a two-bedroom home built in Carmel Woods, at what is now 3278 Camino del Monte. The cost of the lot and home was \$12,000.

Residency requirement

Carmel Woods was a Del Monte Properties Co. development, and owning a home there met the residency requirement then in place for Monterey Peninsula Country Club.

As the club emerged from the lean years of the Depression and World War

II, veterans were especially welcome. The dues then were \$5 per month, so the Ketchams joined up.

It was in Ketcham's little studio at their Carmel Woods home that Alice declared their son Dennis, then 4, a "menace." I've read many versions of what caused her dismay — most involve Dennis dismantling his bedroom furniture.

One version suggested Dennis stacked the pieces so he could climb to the ceiling. Another involves biting a babysitter. Regardless, Alice's frustration was Hank's inspiration.

Ketcham dug into his box of gag lines and quickly created several rough sketches of a child's capers and sent them to his agent. The Post-Hall syndication service contracted for several "Dennis the Menace" cartoons featuring parents with a mischievous young boy.

In November 1950, Post-Hall announced a release date of March 12, 1951, for the daily one-panel cartoons.

Bill Hyland, a major supporter of local artists, bought one of Brooks' early paintings, and George Blair, another serious collector, bought several pieces and added them to the permanent collection at Sacramento's Crocker Museum.

Brooks' work was juried in to three consecutive shows at the Monterey Museum of Art, then director Marcelle Polednik gave him a solo show in April of 2008.

Another Carmel Art Association painter, Barbara Kreitman, showed his work at Gallery North, where she gave Brooks multiple shows over a 10-year span.

He has been represented by galleries in Albuquerque and Reno, and 16 of his paintings became part of Montage Health Medical Group's collection in November 2019.

'Your painting is uplifting'

"There's one of mine in the entryway of the new Carol Hatton Breast Cancer Center, and another in the lobby," he said. "I'm so flattered that my work is there, and I feel great when somebody says, 'I was just over there, and your painting is so uplifting that it made me feel good.'"

Brooks also has returned to his original love — music — writing and performing original rockabilly-style songs, which fill four albums that he has released.

Additional information about his music and artwork, including images of his paintings, can be found online at pkbrooksart.com.

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PHOTO (ABOVE)/KERRY BELSER
GRAPHIC (RIGHT)/THE EVENING CITIZEN, OTTAWA, CANADA

The first "Dennis the Menace" appeared in newspapers March 12, 1951, but the Dennis character showed up in teaser ads (right) in a handful of newspapers the week before the launch. Above is the way the Ketcham family's first Peninsula home, in Carmel Woods, appears today.

Ketcham went to work creating and Post-Hall started promotion. It all moved very quickly. Dennis Ketcham was not yet famous when he was among the group of children celebrating Christmas at the country club in 1950, but all that was about to change.

The launch day came with "Dennis the Menace" appearing in just 16 newspapers. A month later, on April 16, the Monterey Herald first featured "Dennis the Menace" on the opinion page. The Herald that day ran four panels of the cartoon, along with an article about Ketcham and a photo of Dennis with Hank at his work table.

By the end of 1951, Dennis was appearing in the top 100 newspapers in the United States and was beginning to appear in European papers.

Helpers needed

The syndicate soon wanted to add a full color Dennis page for the Sunday papers. The Dennis cartoon had become a full-size



ARTIST

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amusement.

In 1997, health issues forced Brooks — 50 at the time — into an early retirement, and he and Incy moved to the Monterey Peninsula.

"I'd always planned to wind up here, but not so soon. At that age, I felt guilty about not working — I'm not very good at just sitting around," he said. "And it also happened sooner than Incy wanted, because her life wasn't broken."

But Brooks found productive ways to occupy his time, volunteering for 10 years with multiple nonprofit organizations, the Chartwell School for kids with learning differences, the Carmel Art Association, the Monterey Museum of Art, and the National Restless Leg Syndrome Foundation.

Doors open for his art

He also found surprising support for his artwork.

He painted with Carmel Art Association icons Eileen Auvil and Belinda Vidor. The three friends took workshops together from Rodney Winfield, father of Carmel artists Robin and Chris Winfield. (Brooks' art was represented for several years by the Chris Winfield Gallery in Carmel).

Auvil invited him to display his work alongside her own in a joint exhibit at the Carl Cherry Center, his first major showcase.

LETTERS

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Ted Knight, Superintendent,
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'Save our schools'

Dear Editor,

Many Americans remember the days when it was common to hear the phrase, "There is something rotten in Denmark." I don't recall hearing that pejorative phrase recently, but there is something rotten in America and that something is our own public school system.

We look to our federal government to correct such things as inflation and poverty, but we can't look to government to pull the nation's public schools out of their misbegotten slide into aimless dystopia; this foggy educational morass has been led by the federal Department of Education. Learning has been replaced by ideology and indoctrination. Meritocracy replaced by equality. In math, searching for an answer is given credit for trying. Reading and writing are all but abandoned.

Teachers may rise in indignation, but look at the data. High school graduates have never been so ill prepared to go on to higher learning. For solutions, we must look to parents who favor charter schools

monster that would require assistance and more room. Ketcham rented office space in Monterey and hired Al Wiseman to help with the art and Fred Toole to keep up with the writing and manage the business needs.

In his autobiography, Ketcham blurs the first few years of the "Dennis the Menace" era, omitting completely his return to Connecticut in 1952 to work more closely with the demands of the syndicate, which in August 1952 published the first book version of "Dennis the Menace." This was no 10-cent comic book, but a real hardback published by Henry Holt & Co.

One more East Coast winter, however, reminded Ketcham why he preferred Carmel. The family returned to the Peninsula in May 1953 and vowed to remain. Next week we will see how the community embraced that decision.

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and school choice. Mothers and fathers, make your voices known in the next election. Vote down Randi Weingarten; end the chokehold teachers unions have on our rotten school system. SOS. Save our schools. It is being done in Virginia and Florida. California must be next.

Roland Martin, Carmel Valley

Tourists are worse

Dear Editor,

I find it comical that a costly environmental impact report, public hearings and pages of rambling protests are required for putting up a few lights for a few hours a month of Carmel High School sports.

Local protesters screech in horror and act like the lights are the coming Doomsday, while ignoring the real environmental impact of 8 million tourists plus buses and commercial trucks driving right by the school every single year on Highway 1.

The environmental elephant in Carmel's room is tourism, which uses hundreds of thousands of gallons of precious water to flush toilets and wash themselves and prepare food and do their dishes, the dumping tons of garbage, cans and plastics in our trash cans bound for the landfill and more trash along the roads, millions of gallons of gasoline to cruise around to catch the views, forcing us to pay to get rid of the sewage of 8 million visitors and, worse, bringing a sad amount of crime.

Of course, tourists also bring money, a big plus, but ask yourself, which does more harm to nature in Carmel, a few stadium lights or 8 million tourists a year? Let's see those rabid lights protesters get out and block all tourist traffic on Highway 1 if they really want to save Carmel's "environment." And, yes, my three kids went to Carmel High.

Frank Koucky, Carmel Valley

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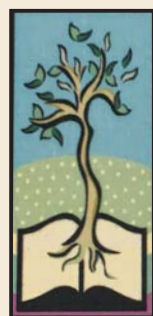
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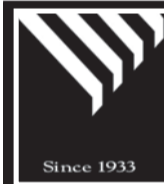
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Holidays on ice, on a firetruck, in a helicopter — or just around a tree

By ELAINE HESSER

HERE IN California, we like diversity — not just in the population and culture, but in options for spending free time. Skiing in the morning, gambling at lunch and a moonlight stroll along the Pacific Ocean? Completely doable. Disneyland and Magic Mountain in one day? Absolutely.

The Monterey Peninsula and its immediate neighbors want you to feel the same way about the winter holidays, with a cornucopia of events that range from child-centric, to family-friendly or adult-preferred. Don't believe it? Just have a look.

If you're ready to take to the ice, you can head out to **Custom House Plaza** in Monterey from now until New Year's Day for **Ice Skating by the Bay**. Adults pay \$15, kids are \$13 and skate rental is \$5. Diehard rink rats can get a season pass for \$225, not including skate rental. It's open most weeks from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 8 p.m. Sundays and holidays. For the first time, there are blocks of time available for private parties, too. Check the website at iceskatingbythebay.com for details.

Friday evening, Nov. 26, **Cannery Row's Christmas Tree Lighting**, complete with festive music, will be held in the plaza near **Cannery Row and Prescott**. Santa will be there for the big event, and will hold court out Saturdays and Sundays until Christmas from noon to 3 p.m. so the kids can make their wishes known.

Lots and lots of lights

Salinas' annual **Christmas Parade of Lights** is back for the first time since Grinchy old Covid spoiled the fun a few years back. Kicking off 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, the south end of Main Street will be filled with bands, festive floats and cool classic cars. In the past, more than 10,000



Local choirs and musical groups perform on weekends at Monterey's Old Fisherman's Wharf, where seagulls and sea lions sing backup.

people have attended the spectacle, leaving folding chairs and blankets along the route beginning early in the morning to reserve prime spots.

On Monday, Nov. 28 at 5:30 p.m., **Pacific Grove's Christmas tree** will be illuminated in **Jewell Park** at Forest and Grand. School bands and choruses will perform and refreshments will be served. Afterward, head over to

the **P.G. Museum of Natural History** at 165 Forest Ave., where Santa will visit with the kids until 8 p.m.

Circle Thursday, Dec. 1, if you want to see **Pacific Grove's 20th annual Parade of Lights**, from 6 to 8 p.m. Scheduled performers include holiday floats, march-

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Real stores with real people — and really great gifts for everyone

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

Editor's note: Each year, The Pine Cone offers a preview of downtown holiday shopping in which Lisa narrates the adventures of a shopper who exists only in her imagination. The French bulldogs in the story, however, are real.

AS THE sun rose on her day, she settled into the couch with a steaming mug of caffeine and the week's haul of Christmas catalogs to peruse, page after page, as if each were chronicling an art exhibit. Then she set the stack in her recycling bin, slipped on a jacket and some sturdy shoes, and trekked into town for her annual Christmas shopping odyssey by the sea.

Part of the joy in holiday giving, she reasoned, lies in discovering things her loved ones would appreciate. She enjoys thinking of each person, who they are and what they represent in her life. So, she wasn't willing to just "phone it in" — or, in more modern parlance, to point and click her way through a list.

She buys gifts for the naughty as well as the nice, so her list was fairly long. Although she had a few ideas for friends and family, she preferred to stay open to what she might discover among an array of specialty shops, most of them locally owned.

To preserve parking places for those who come from afar, she hiked down the hill, confident she could summon a sleigh ride home. (Uber Reindeer is a thing, right?)

While strolling down Ocean Avenue with a cappuccino from **Café Carmel**, she noticed the super-fun P448 sneakers in the window at **Augustina's Leathers**. She decided to pick up a pair for kicking around town in comfort and style as she shopped. Rumor has it they're so coveted, they have a cult following.

Refocusing on gift-giving, she saw a sustainable travel bag by MZ Wallace of New York and snagged two for the twins and one for her older sister. Next, she took a deep whiff of the Nest candles that

"smell like Christmas," and realized she'd just discovered her go-to hostess gift. She also spied something she knew was on everyone's Christmas list this year. The Italian-made Herno puffer jacket was made famous by celebrities, and indispensable for AT&T golfers and Concours d'Elegance participants and spectators who sought to guard against the coastal breeze at Pebble Beach.

Because the store offers each customer a glass of Champagne to make holiday shopping festive, she lingered, sipping and socializing, while her gifts were wrapped in handmade papers.

Doggie macarons

Continuing down Ocean Avenue, our shopper ducked into **Diggidy Dog**, where she noticed the Bonne et Filou Advent calendar filled with doggie macarons, truffles and cookies, one for each day of December. She picked up four for her favorite pet people and snagged a cozy snowman

sweater with matching hat for Gracee, a leopard print faux fur coat for Ivy and a merry pair of red, white and green pajamas for Romy, plus matching person-and-pup Christmas socks. For her four-legged friends who celebrate Hanukkah, she got Simon a "Get Lit" menorah hoodie, plus a dreidel toy for Talia — and for Hershel, a Hanukkah moose.

Were anyone to ask, she'd say she went to **Ami Carmel** home goods and gift store on Dolores Street to sleuth out something extra special for her sisters. Yet, she also knew they'd offer cup of coffee and a homemade cookie while she shopped — you know, for a little energy boost. She spied luxurious Dana Herbert handmade silk velvet shawls in rich fall colors and imagined one sister would wear the wrap to dress up jeans, while the other would warm up a cocktail dress for holiday festivities. She chose one for each. On the way

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A wide variety of gifts for everyone on your list can be found downtown, at shops (from left) like Augustina's and Big Little Boxes, Ami Carmel, In the Bag and Lula's Chocolates (you might want to keep some of those).

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H O L I D A Y G U I D E

End-of-year gifts to bless the beasts and the children

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

THE HOLIDAY season is an exuberant celebration of giving and receiving — the shiny new car with its big red bow in the driveway, the engagement ring under the mistletoe or a kid's first bike. Yet this tradition of giving dates back to the very first Christmas, when the Magi brought gifts to the child born in a barn, without a cradle. His nursery housed the lowly animals which, as story and song suggest, offered him comfort and care.

In this season of largesse, consider investing in "gifts that give," providing the necessary resources that offer that same comfort and care to some of the most vulnerable among us — the children and animals of our community — by donating funds and functional goods to the nonprofit organizations that serve them. Here are a few, among many, which champion some of our more vulnerable citizens.

Community Partnership for Youth (CPY) was established in 1991 to mitigate violence and crime among and against youth in Seaside and neighboring cities. Recognizing that the area's most at-risk youth were typically left unsupervised and unengaged in productive activities, community leaders established CPY, a prevention program providing alternatives to gangs, drugs and violence, through an afterschool mentoring and tutoring program.

The group also established its Angel Tree Project, which enables every child to have a gift of their choice. Paired with a priority on literacy, the project includes a

second gift of a book, also of the child's choosing.

"We also want our students to be grateful and learn how to give," said CPY Executive Director Shari Hasty. Sponsors take kids to Kohl's early on the first two Saturdays of December to help them shop

for their families and then wrap gifts together. While each little shopper fills out gift tags, their sponsor sneaks off to purchase a surprise gift for the child, which is secretly slipped into the bag."

The organization also "adopts" families during the holiday season to provide those in need with essentials and special gifts, a program made possible by support from local schools, churches and members of the community.

"My family getting adopted when I was younger meant much more than just receiving extra gifts," said Jorge, a Community Partnership for Youth beneficiary who graduated from high school last year. He is attending Monterey Peninsula College and working as a mentor for other kids. "It helped my family push through a difficult financial time and gave us some of the essentials we lacked. We were and are still grateful for the experience."

Since 1997, **CASA — Court Appointed Special Advocates** — has been dedicated to the best interests of children by directing its attention and efforts to abused, neglected or abandoned youth who need the kindness and consistent support of caring adults. Dedicated CASA volunteers devote personal time and resources to show these children there is someone they can count on, someone who understands and is there for them, without judgment or reservation.

Based on the understanding that children thrive in safe, loving homes, the **Kinship Center** was established in 1984 to help children grow up in the security of a permanent family. In 2011, the organization joined forces with Seneca Family of Agencies, a nonprofit organization that specializes in children's welfare, including mental health, education, permanent home placement and juvenile justice services.

Fostering folks' best friends

Although this dedicated canine community that's devoted animal welfare doesn't need a holiday to prompt giving to the wellbeing of furry, feathered and farm-animal friends, there's something about Christmas that prompts many to give a little extra.

Established in 2009, **Peace of Mind Dog Rescue**, based in Pacific Grove, is dedicated to finding loving foster and forever homes for senior dogs in shelters, as well



Peace of Mind Dog Rescue's Carie Broecker (left) and her crew help older pets find new homes.

as dogs whose guardians can no longer care for them. The organization, which makes a lifetime commitment to each dog, is thrilled to receive donations in honor of or in memory of a person or a pet.

"We always list tribute donations on a special page on our website and send the special someone a card announcing the gift," said cofounder and executive director Carie Broecker, recently named among CNN's Top 10 Heroes through an initiative that honors people from all over who make a positive impact on society. "We have received many comments over the years about how meaningful this type of gift is. In a world where most people don't need another 'thing,' making a tribute donation certainly brings on the cheer."

Since 1998, **Animal Friends Rescue Project (AFRP)**, also headquartered in Pacific Grove, has been dedicated to finding loving permanent homes for abandoned, stray and neglected companion animals while working to resolve the local pet overpopulation crisis through spay/neuter programs. Adoptable dogs and cats are featured at AFRP and at Pet Food Express in the Crossroads shopping center.

Said the group's executive director, Darla Smith, "We

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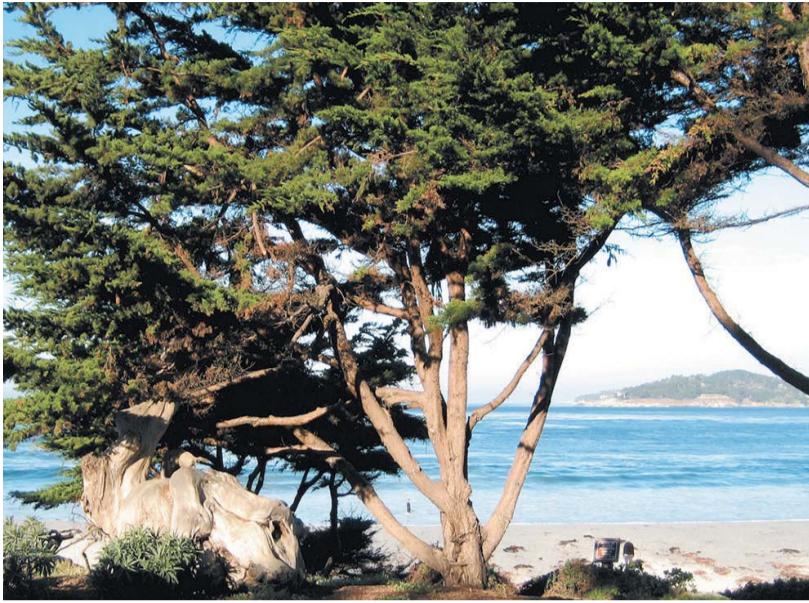
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When you shop local, you meet the most interesting folks

By ELAINE HESSER

WHAT DOES that even mean — “finding your edges”? Cynthia Fernandes, who, with her husband, Paul Fridlund, owns Pilgrim's Way Books and the Secret Garden on Dolores Street between Fifth and Sixth Avenues, said it's when “people step out of their comfort zones” and is where “growth happens.” It's also a fun way to shop.

Fernandes is a native Californian who was born in San Diego County, but moved to San Jose with her family at age 10. Back then, she recalled, “We picked apricots and plums in Mountain View orchards,” which had been abandoned by the Libby company when it closed its plant there.

“My mom used to do gardening and canning,” she said. And although Fernandes occasionally found her mother's homespun ways a little embarrassing around her peers, she ended up wishing she could emulate them. “I wanted to be a homemaker with lots of kids, sewing quilts, canning foods and gardening.”

Her first marriage, right out of high school, didn't work out, and Fernandes returned to what had become Silicon Valley, where fruit was replaced by tech wizardry as the main source of revenue. “I had a good work opportunity and stayed in Silicon Valley for more than 20 years,” she said, first on assembly lines where circuit boards were made, then in quality control, ultimately moving into administrative work and marketing. She retired from all of that in 1996, and decided to go into massage therapy.

Fernandes took classes in massage in Carmel Valley and decided to move here, working at Spanish Bay and in a Carmel day spa. One day in 1999, she said, “I had



Paul Fridlund and Cynthia Fernandes own Pilgrim's Way and the Secret Garden.

time to kill between clients,” and walked into Pilgrim's Way, where in 1991, Fridlund had become the fifth owner of the now more than half-century-old business. “There was no one else in the store,” she remembered, so she and Fridlund got to talking, and became friends.

In 2000, Fernandes took a one-week boot camp with Tom Brown's Tracker School, which teaches survival and tracking skills that Brown says he learned as a child from an Apache elder. The subject intrigued Fernandes, who said her maternal grandmother — whom she never met — was Cherokee.

It was there that Fernandes learned about planting in harmony with nature and considering the soil, rain patterns and wildlife. She said the theory is built on the principle of zoning, like a series of rings

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ing bands, dance teams and animals. Jolly old St. Nick makes an appearance as well. This year's theme is "A Magical Holiday." Perhaps some "bah humbugs" will be miraculously transformed into happy holiday greetings.

"Isn't there anyone who knows what Christmas is all about?" Charlie Brown has been shouting that question in frustration for nearly 60 years in the Peanuts holiday



Sunset Center's the place to see "The Nutcracker."

TV special. No need for Linus to intervene, though. **Streets of Bethlehem** in **Salinas**, put on by the city's First Baptist Church, reenacts the story several times every evening from Dec. 1 through Dec. 4, from 6 to 8:00 p.m. nightly. Put on by hundreds of volunteers, the free outdoor event recreates the first-century village with craftsmen, Roman soldiers and live animals. To learn more, go to streetsofbethlehem.com.

Afterward, check out some of Salinas' great restaurants in the revitalized Oldtown area (now City Center) — Patria, Mangia and Villa Azteca offer a diverse variety of tasty fare, and you can find good Chinese food and sushi, too. Gino's (on Highway 68, just south of town) blackened chicken fettucine is a hearty winter favorite.

Elves have been hard at work downtown preparing for the **tree lighting** in **De-vendorf Park** on Friday, Dec. 2. You can join the party at 3 p.m. at Sunset Center, with a short musical program and photos by a holiday tree, or meet up with Santa in the park, also beginning at 3 p.m. At 4 p.m., a menorah will be lit (well in advance of Hanukkah's Dec. 18 start), and at 4:30, the music and dance program gets started. At 6 p.m., Mayor Dave Potter and Santa make a joint appearance in time to simultaneously light the big tree, downtown median and park. Immediately afterward,

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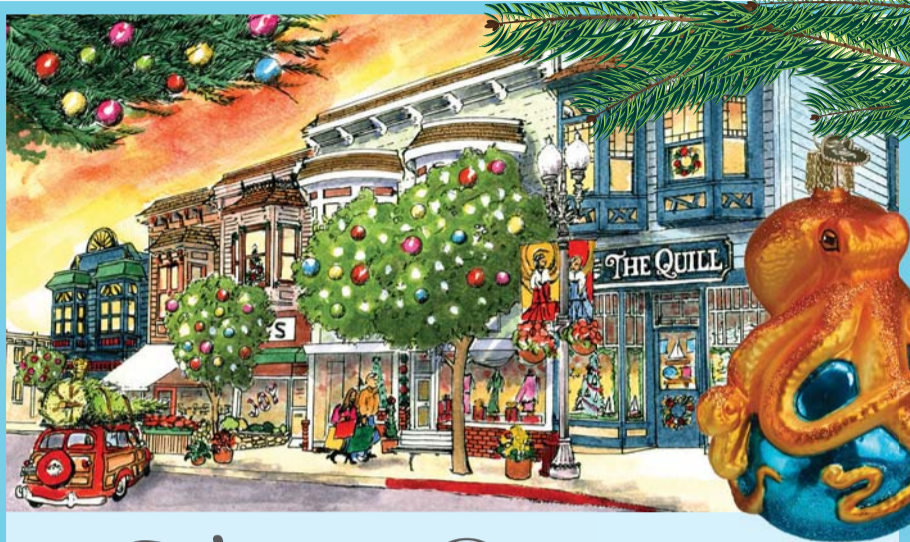
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unlike anything else — especially during the holidays.”

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out, she saw a pair of handcrafted ginkgo-leaf earrings in sterling silver, perfect for a friend.

Before too long, it was time for her to treat herself to lunch, having planned to meet a friend at Stationaery. They sat out-

side because her dining companion was accompanied by three French bulldogs. They debated whether the occasion called for Mexican hot chocolate or coffee, and opted for prosecco. Our shopper ordered the avocado toast, with smashed avocado

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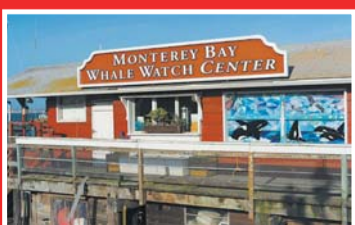
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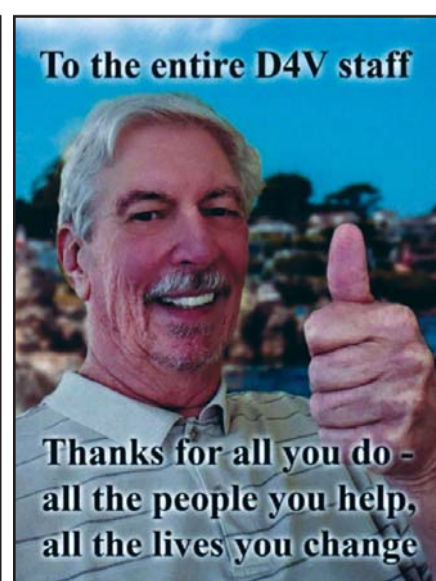
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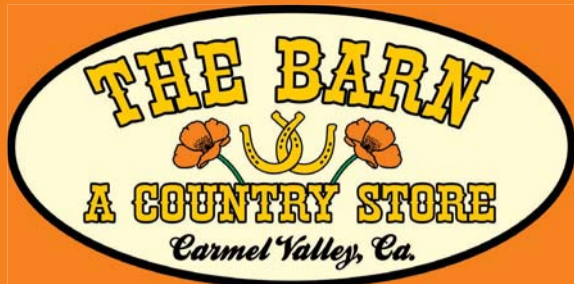
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on Ad Astra bread, Meyer lemon, radish, Monterey Bay seaweed, and red pepper flakes. Her friend tucked into the farmer's salad, made with market greens and veggies, sheep's milk cheese, pistachios, and cider vinaigrette.

Fortified, she resumed her shopping sojourn at **Big Little Boxes** on San Carlos Street to order a gift box for Ariana and Andrew in Denver. She really had no idea what to send, but trusted owner Linda Persall would. In fact, she'd select, pack, wrap and ship the gift right from the boutique.

Within the hour, Persall sent her a photo of the "S'more Love for the Holidays" themed gift she'd picked out, complete with a soft-knit Big Lovie blanket and an artisan 1927 s'mores-making kit. For added indulgence, Persall included a "Warm and Cozy" candle and a pot of decadent Snow Owl hot fudge to melt into a perfect cup of cocoa. All in and all done; it was that easy.

Next door, at **In the Bag**, a tote in the window caught our shopper's attention. She was drawn to the styling of the gray leather bag with hand stitching, and pockets with hidden zippers that could house everything. Mid-purchase, she spied an abalone shell necklace in hand-hammered silver. It was, she thought, "totally Sylvia," and maybe also Meredith, so she bought two.

Wow factor

Across the street, before stopping in at **Somewhere in Carmel** to purchase handmade toys for the kids on her list — and enough colorful matching sweatshirts to outfit the family Christmas card photo — our shopper admired all that glittered in the windows at nearby **Kocek Jewelers**. With a bit of longing, she admired Kirkor Kocek's legendary custom designs, unaware that her fiancé had bought an 18k yellow gold-and-platinum Etruscan-style

bracelet, set with 30 diamonds, just in time for their holiday wedding.

"Since she is Greek and he is Italian," said Kocek, "the Etruscan bracelet is a perfect symbol of their union. And the yellow-gold clasp with round bezel-set diamond will remind them that they have come together."

The afternoon sun began to slip toward the horizon and she hadn't found anything for said fiancé, so she proceeded to **Parts Unknown** in Carmel Plaza, where she was guaranteed to satisfy his active-outdoor sensibilities. Success started at the display window, with Pendleton's Carson City ranch jacket — perfect for a chilly evening.

The purchases were beginning to weigh her down, but she had only two more stops, so she decided to push through. First, **The Cheese Shop**, her go-to place for holiday entertaining, where she relied on the expertise of owner and Cheese Meister Kent Torrey to select an assortment of cheeses.

"A lot of people like bleu cheese during the holidays," suggested Torrey. "An equally popular choice is Domaine du Vallage, a beautiful triple-cream cheese from France. I would pair that with a harder cheese, such as the Prima Donna Forte, a 2-year aged cheese, plus, from the French side of the Pyrenees, Istara Ossau Iraty, a Basque sheep's milk cheese, or a combination goat-sheep cheese called Chebris." She wisely took his advice.

Last but definitely not least, our shopper slipped into **Lula's Chocolates** to buy their Baja Chili Toffee to break up and add to her cheeseboard, a complement that's not too spicy but has a little kick. Other holiday offerings included peppermint bark and molded-chocolate Christmas trees, Santas, snowmen, nutcrackers and toy soldiers, which would make festive favors 'round the holiday table.

With that, she sank into a chair at **Café Luna**, placed her packages at her feet, ordered a seasonal coffee drink, and took out her phone to summon her sleigh.



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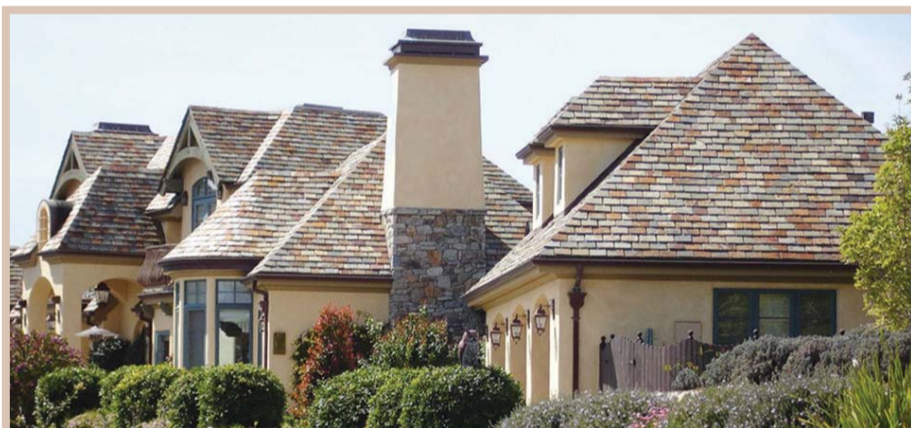
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way every weekend from Dec. 2 through Dec. 18 on Old Fisherman's Wharf in **Monterey**. On Fridays from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. (except Dec. 10, when the fun starts at 6 p.m.) and Sundays from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., take in the beautiful 23-foot Christmas tree and other decorations, visit with Santa in his house by Abalonetti's, enjoy live music with choirs and dancers, and maybe get in some last-minute shopping or grab a bread bowl of clam chowder. On Dec. 3, there's a special holiday safety afternoon from 1 to 4 p.m. with representatives from the Monterey Police Department and Fire Department on hand, with a fire engine and demonstrations by the Monterey Fire Boat. Visit montereywharf.com for a full schedule of performances and special events.

Not enough music? Monterey's **Camerata Singers** present a Christmas concert on Friday, Dec. 2, at 7:30 p.m. at **Northminster Presbyterian Church in Salinas**, and on Saturday at 7:30 and Sunday at 2:30 at **First Presbyterian Church in Monterey**. Tickets are \$20 for the Salinas performance and \$25 for Monterey. Go to camerata-singers.org to purchase online.

On Dec. 3 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., the **Hofsas House** at San Carlos and Fourth will host a **Gingerbread**

House Fundraiser for the Carmel Public Library Foundation. The family-friendly event is priced at \$25, and you'll get a kit to build your very own little Carmel cottage (no permits required), along with a cookie and coffee or hot cocoa. Adults can purchase a glass of wine, sparkling wine or a mimosa, and enjoy a fruit and cheese tray for \$10 extra. Go to bit.ly/3OaFIXN to prepay and register through Eventbrite.

Nautical and nice

It's hard to get any more old-fashioned than the **Historic Downtown Monterey Traditional Tree Lighting Celebration**. On Dec. 2, from 5 to 6 p.m. at landmark **Colton Hall**, the tree will be illuminated and there will be live carolers bringing plenty of cheer, as well as cider and cookies for those who attend.

Caledonia Park in Pacific Grove will be hopping with the **Annual Stillwell's Fun in the Park** on Dec. 3 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Santa will arrive on a P.G. firetruck at noon, and there will be complimentary rides, bounce houses, a petting zoo and entertainment for the whole family.

A **holiday concert** will be held at 2 p.m. Dec. 4 at the **Church of the Wayfarer**, to help raise money for First United Methodist Church of Salinas' homeless ministries. there. Emi Wada will play the piano and organ and



Santa will receive young visitors at his house on Fisherman's Wharf.

trumpeter Kevin Jordan will perform. There will also be a Christmas singalong.

An old carol reports that someone saw "three ships come sailing in on Christmas Day, in the morning..." Not to be outdone, Monterey Yacht Club's **Lighted Boat Parade** is scheduled for Dec. 4, starting in the **Monterey Harbor**. Conditions permitting, lots of cheerfully decorated craft will sail out of the harbor and along Cannery Row to the Monterey Bay Aquarium before returning to

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the docks. The fun starts at 5:30 p.m. and is scheduled to last until 8 p.m. Best viewing is from Fisherman’s Wharf or the Coast Guard Pier, where judges evaluate parade participants for prizes.

Don’t forget to take an evening cruise of your own through **P.G.’s Candy Cane Lane** on Morse Drive (the well-marked entrance is a bit downhill from David on Forest). Put on some holiday music, bring some hot cocoa or coffee, and enjoy the beautiful, inspirational and just-plain-silly displays designed to delight walkers and drivers alike.

Have you ever wanted to see what’s inside of some of those beautiful Victorian homes in **Pacific Grove**? **Christmas at the Inns** on Dec. 6 and 7 from 6 to 9 p.m. gives you the opportunity to do just that. Tickets are \$20 per person (kids 12 and under can tag along for free) and are good for both nights, because different inns are featured each evening. As of this writing, participants include Seven Gables, Centrella Bed and Breakfast, the Martine Inn, Gosby House, Old St. Angela Inn, Green Gables, and the White Hart house on Lighthouse. Asilomar’s Phoebe Hearst Social Hall will welcome guests both evenings. There will be live music and treats at each inn.

Monterey’s restored Art Deco movie-house-turned-performance-venue, the **Golden State Theatre**, hosts **The Squirrel Nut Zippers Christmas Caravan Tour** on Friday, Dec. 9. The Zippers defy pigeonholing (likely because of the squirrels), drawing from jazz, swing, folk



(From left) If you want a different kind of Christmas, try Santa’s Carmel Valley Fly-in, or a concert by the Squirrel Nut Zippers or Switchfoot.

and punk, occasionally even dipping into klezmer. Visit goldenstatetheatre.com for performance times and to buy tickets, which are going for \$27 to \$62.

Smuin Ballet returns to **Sunset Center** on Friday, Dec. 9 at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 10 at 2 p.m. with a “fiercely festive” version of its annual “Christmas Ballet.” Promising “surprises and new treats,” the company once again sets ballet performances to old favorite carols and more contemporary music. Tickets are \$69 and \$89, and can be purchased at sunsetcenter.org.

Historic holidays

Too many cookies, not enough exercise? **Run Rudolph Run** is a 5-kilometer race that starts at **Lovers Point in Pacific Grove** at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10. A 1k “Elf Run” for the kids will be held, too. If you’re not the fastest, you can always be the flashiest-dressed — or have the fanciest dog — in the costume contest. The run raises money for the Arthritis Research Coalition. For more information and to enter, go to arthritisresearchcoalition.org/events-1.

Also on Saturday, Dec. 10 and Sunday, Dec. 11, **I Cantori di Carmel** offers its annual Christmas concerts at **Carmel Mission**. Both performances begin at 8 p.m., when the choir will present J.S. Bach’s “Christmas Oratorio” (Weihnachtsoratorium), Cantatas I-III, which describes the birth of Jesus, the announcement to the shepherds and the shepherds’ adoration of the newborn Christ.

Monterey’s 38th annual **Christmas in the Adobes** runs from 5 to 9 p.m. Dec. 9 and 10. Tour more than a dozen historic buildings all decked for the holidays. Many are not usually open to the public, so here’s your chance to get a good look, complete with knowledgeable guides in

period costumes. You’ll need a mask while indoors and refreshments will be offered at some of the locations. Comfy walking shoes are a must, and in the event of dark streets, please remember that your phone makes a dandy flashlight. Tickets for one evening start at \$25, or both nights for \$40, with discounts for youth, active duty military and Monterey State Historic Park members. The money goes to educational history programs for kids and the restoration of California’s First Theater (which will be open for the event). Check out mshpa.org for more information.

Also on Dec. 10, Santa and the Mrs. will arrive by helicopter for the **64th Carmel Valley Fly-In**. After landing on Carmel Valley Airfield around 11 a.m., they’ll board a vintage firetruck for a parade into the Village. Come to the **Carmel Valley Community Youth Center** at 25 Ford Road for photos with the Big Guy, face painting, live entertainment, a petting zoo and bounce houses.

Supporters of **YOSAL** (Youth Orchestra Salinas) can take a drive to **Sherwood Hall in Salinas** to enjoy the group’s winter concert on Dec. 10 at 3 p.m. More than 200 students from Salinas and South County will perform “a diverse program of classical, cultural, and holiday music,” and will be joined by 4to Prestigio, a professional Mexican band. Tickets are free, but must be reserved by Dec. 6 at www.yosal.org/concert.

On Dec. 16, **Switchfoot**, a rock band with roots in contemporary Christian music, will perform a Christmas concert at **Monterey’s Golden State Theatre**, with tickets ranging from \$33 to \$213 for a “private performance” before the main event. Visit goldenstatetheatre.com for times and to buy tickets.

Whether 2022 was great or awful, give it a proper sendoff. **First Night Monterey** celebrates its 30th year with its annual alcohol-free celebration. From the lawn at Colton Hall to the Conference Center, park your car and enjoy as many of the 65 expected indoor and outdoor performances as you can. **Kids’ Night Out** begins at 3 p.m. with a twilight parade at 5:30 p.m. After that, get ready for hours of music — classical, jazz, bluegrass, samba and folk — leading up to the big midnight countdown. You’ll find spots where you can dance, and others where you can just sit and listen. If you want to toast the New Year, local restaurants and bars will welcome you in for a glass of cheer. Buy a button at firstnightmonterey.org — still a bargain at \$22 and up for early birds (before Dec. 12), \$30 each after. Youth and family pricing is also available.



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starting with a “home base” in the center, then perhaps an herb garden, then wider varieties of foods, ideally expanding out to fruit trees and a “wildlife travel zone” at the edge. Old crops fall to the ground and become compost, and “nothing is wasted,” she said.

Fridlund shared many of her interests — community, family, nature and books. Fernandes took a job at the store and after a long friendship, they got married in the Secret Garden on April 22, 2006. She’s written the newsletter, scheduled programs and events, and still works on sales and merchandise displays, as well as procuring gifts and garden items. “I get the fun jobs — I get to see what’s new and trendy, and what’s hot in books,” she said.

Make a connection

In 2002, the store became the first retail business in Carmel to be green certified. In the Secret Garden, Fernandes encourages sustainability by asking, “What’s easy to grow? What works in this climate?”

She also said she’s applied her tracking skills to “tracking people.” “What are they looking for? We have something for everyone,” she said. She encourages people to find their “edges.” “It’s like coyotes at the edge of the meadow. It’s where we grow,” she explained, adding that people can choose to expand their worlds with new experiences, or watch them shrink.

“I want people to connect with something” in the shop that will expand their worlds, she said. It’s a challenge because of the diverse customer base. “We see people from so many different cultures and backgrounds. Europeans are comfortable and educated about sustainable design, while Texans are just in love with Carmel — its qualities

and uniqueness.”

The store hosts events like tarot readings and psychic circles, and features books by local authors. Some of the dozens of topics on which you might find books include literature, law, history, metaphysical subjects, health and, of course, gardening. There are dreamcatchers, Tibetan

singing bowls and oracle decks (like tarot cards), but also decorative items, jewelry and plenty of other gifts for the down-to-earth people in your life.

Pilgrim’s Way and the Secret Garden are open 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. You can visit them online at pilgrimsway.com, but it’s more fun to explore for in person.



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Vienna Boys Choir brings holidays to Sunset, Latin rockers play Monterey

PERHAPS THE world's most famous children's choral group, **The Vienna Boys Choir** celebrates the holidays with a concert Friday, 8 p.m., at Sunset Center.

Formally established by Holy Roman Emperor Maximilian I in the 15th century — its roots go back even further — the choir today is made up of mostly Austrian boys

Led by co-founder and lead singer **Saúl Hernández** — and influenced by acts like the Beatles and the Cure — the band released four albums starting in 1987, getting raves from the music press and creating a quite a buzz south of the border.

Tickets start at \$45. The theater is located at 417 Alvarado St. Call (831) 649-1070.

Next up at Golden State is a Dec. 9 show by **The Squirrel Nut Zippers**.

drummer, Jon Bonham. The band will play a generous selection of Zeppelin classic rockers.

Titled "A Whole Lotta Bonzo," the gathering begins at 7 p.m. For more details, call (831) 649-4771.

Live music Nov. 26-Dec. 2

Big Sur River Inn — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** ('60s music, Saturday at 12:30 p.m.). On Highway 1 24 miles south of Carmel.

Bernardus Lodge & Spa in Carmel Valley — pianist **Mathias Morris** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kevin Pfeffer** (Saturday at noon), pianist **Martan Mann** (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **John Sherry**

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On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

from 9 to 14 who are split into four traveling choirs that offer more than 300 performances each year.

This isn't the first time the choir has sung at Sunset Center — the group performed there on its first United States tour in 1933, when the venue was known as the Sunset School.

Friday's program includes Austrian folk songs, classical masterpieces, and Christmas hymns and carols.

Tickets start at \$69. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. Call (831) 620-2048.

Caifanes visits Golden State

One of Mexico's most influential rock bands and a staple on Latin MTV in the 1990s, **Caifanes** takes the stage Thursday at Golden State Theater in Monterey. Showtime is 8 p.m.



Fingerstyle guitarist John Sherry (left) plays folk, rock and blues Friday and Saturday in Monterey, and Sunday and Wednesday in Carmel Valley. Founded in the 15th century, the Vienna Boys Choir (right) sings Austrian folk songs, classical masterpieces, and Christmas hymns and carols Friday at Sunset Center.



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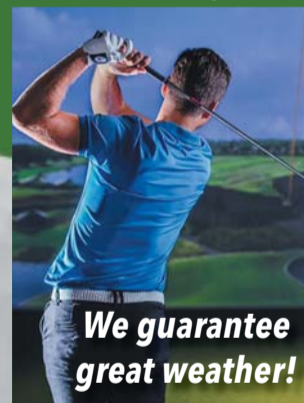
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THE SATURDAY after Thanksgiving was dubbed Small Business Saturday in a 2010 American Express campaign that the U.S. Small Business Administration began sponsoring the following year, and since then, the day has served as a reminder and incentive to support the

while ensuring your dollars stay local. (It should be noted that the AmEx list is not comprehensive, since business owners have to sign up, but it's a good start.)

packs for your favorite chef or other honey lover.

Also in the Plaza, Lula's Chocolates carries hand-crafted chocolates, truffles, caramels and other pleasures, including hot chocolate mix and various sauces. Everything is crafted at owner Scott Lund's small facility just down the road in Ryan Ranch in Monterey, and the recipes are inspired by his grandmother, Lula Lund, whose homemade treats were highly treasured by friends and family. For the holiday season, several special items appear on the shelves, but it's hard to go wrong with the ever-popular sea salt caramels, Aloha Rocky Road (with macadamia nuts)

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Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

small stores, restaurants, markets and other ventures that remain the backbone of the local economy.

"This year, we know that small businesses need our support now more than ever as they navigate, retool and pivot from the effects of the coronavirus pandemic," the SBA said, adding that nationwide, consumers spent an estimated \$23.3 billion on Small Business Saturday last year, according to a survey commissioned by American Express.

Finding retailers and restaurants that fall into that category is easily done at americanexpress.com/us/small-business/shop-small and then zeroing in on a particular city, region or sector, but The Pine Cone can highlight a few must-visits in town to shop for the food-lovers on your list



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and toffee.

Showing up at a party or dinner, or need to pick up a gift for someone who's not so much into "things"? Sometimes a bottle is the best way to go, and Ryan Sanchez' Surf N Sand at Junipero and Sixth has a broad selection of liquors, mixers, accoutrements, wines and beers across a range of prices. The selection is well curated, and there are definitely deals to be had, too.

Of course, downtown is also full of independently owned and operated tasting rooms. If you want to taste before you buy, this is the way to go. Looking for sparkling? Check out Caraccioli Cellars on Dolores south of Ocean. Bigger reds can be found at Galante across the street, at Scheid around the corner at San Carlos and Seventh, and at Silvestri on Seventh between the two.

Pinots and chardonnays are widely grown here and are showcased by Albartross Ridge on Dolores north of Ocean, among others, while Windy Oaks, a block west on Lincoln, adds a few other varietals, including mourvedre, to the mix. But those are just a few. Visit montereywines.org/wine/tasting-rooms and carmelcalifornia.com/carmel-by-the-sea-wine-walk.htm for more comprehensive lists.

Supplies

A lot of locals pop into 5th Avenue Deli to pick up chili, a salad, a sandwich or other quick but gourmet goods for lunch, but this

deli and shop near the post office sells picnic accessories, wine, packaged foods, gift baskets and other items to please just about anyone who enjoys great snacks or an elegant al fresco experience. The deli also caters, prepares boxed lunches for people on the go, creates sandwich platters and provides other services.

Bar tools of all shapes and sizes, along with gorgeous glassware, cocktail books, party essentials and other goods can be found at Social Hour on Sixth between Dolores and San Carlos. Owned by Karen and Eric Baymiller, the store has become the go-to spot for anyone who's excited about making cocktails or knows someone who is.

CV Art & Wine

A handful of tasting rooms in Carmel Valley Village will pour during the block party formally known as the 15th Annual Carmel Valley Village Holiday Art & Wine Walk and Gift Faire Saturday, Nov. 26, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The day will feature the works of local artists, as well as "handcrafted and unique holiday gifts," music by the Money Band Duo, winetasting, food, and the "barrels of fun" auction benefiting the Carmel Valley Art Association.

Wineries signed on to share tastes during the event include Big Sur Vineyard, Twisted Roots and Blue Fox Cellars. The recently relocated Village Wine & Tap Room will host Boete Winery and also offers pastries, pies and sausage rolls from The Great British Bake Shop in Salinas.

Café Rustica and the Trailside Café will

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Winery owner Alan Silvestri may be more widely known for the film scores he's written, but locally, it's all about the wines that come from his small vineyards.

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■ Sip, Mingle & Jingle

The wineries of Wrath, Kori, Scratch and Lepe Cellars will team up for a holiday gathering again this year at Wrath's property off River Road at 35801 Foothill Road Saturday, Dec. 10.

VIP ticket holders will have access starting at 11 a.m., with general admission at noon, and the event will run until 2 p.m., followed by an after party that extends until 4.

"Join us to enjoy wine tasting from all four wineries in the barrel room at Wrath Winery," the folks at Kori said. "After enjoying the tasting, we invite you to join us for a festive after party including more wine, music, food and gifts."

VIP tickets are \$60 and include the extra hour before everyone else gets in, tastes of reserve wines and a gift. General admission tickets are \$40. Order at koriwines.com/wine-shop/events.

■ Seven Fishes

At Stationery restaurant on San Carlos between Fifth and Sixth, owners Anthony and Alissa Carnazzo will host their annual Feast of the Seven Fishes Dec. 13.

The Feast of the Seven Fishes is part of the Italian-American holiday celebration and reflects the long-practiced Roman Catholic tradition of abstaining from certain foods on the eve of a feast day. Barred from eating meat or animal fat on vigil days, observant Catholics would instead enjoy fish. The traditional dinner didn't get its name until relatively recently, though, having first been mentioned in The Philadelphia Inquirer in 1983.

Chef Amalia Scatena will prepare Stationery's iteration of the traditional dinner, with canapé of Hatsu oyster with caviar and proscutto, uni custard with white truffle, and a cheat of steak tartare with anchovy and potato. The



At Surf N Sand, you can find all the right wines — including large bottles sure to be a hit at holiday parties.

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CALENDAR

Nov. 25, 26 and 27 – The Big Sur Grange Harvest and Craft Fair. Friday 2 to 5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., located 26 miles south of Rio Road, 1 mile south of the River Inn. Just past Juan-Haiguera Bridge on the west side of Hwy 1. The 41st annual Craft Fair is Thanksgiving weekend. Find local art, handmade crafts & unique holiday gifts. Facebook@bigsurharvestfair email: bigsurgrangeharvestfair@gmail.com

Nov. 26 – Carpe Diem Fine Books celebrates the holidays with a storewide 20% off sale through 11/30. Open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. (or by appointment). Books make perfect gifts – choose from a unique selection of out-of-print and collectible books on local & California history, Jo Mora, art and photography and hundreds of beautiful leatherbound classics. And to make your gift giving a breeze, Carpe Diem offers complimentary gift wrapping, 245 Pearl St. in downtown Monterey. Call (831) 643-2754.

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

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Dec. 1 – "Diverting Hate: Addressing Extremist Violence Across the World and at Home." Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey Community Talk with Jason Blazakis, director of the Center for Terrorism, Extremism, and Counterterrorism and Kaitlyn Tierney, Middlebury Institute graduate student. Irvine Auditorium, 499 Pierce St., Monterey, 5 to 6:30 p.m. Register at: go.miis.edu/divertinghate.

Dec. 3 – The Hofsas House Hotel celebrates the holidays with their 11th annual fundraiser event, benefiting the Carmel Public Library Foundation with a hybrid virtual or in-person gingerbread making for the entire family. Dec. 3: Two sessions: 10:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. or virtual pick-up on Friday, Dec. 2nd between 1 and 4 p.m. Cost: \$25 per gingerbread house. Reservations required at www.carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org.

Dec. 3 – The Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District invites you all to join our celebration at Palo Corona Regional Park, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 4860 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel. There will be programs honoring our history, booths with fun activities for all ages, and food available for purchase. Attend yourself or bring your friends and family. This event is co-sponsored by Blue Zones Monterey County. The activities and parking are free. www.mprpd.org, (831) 372-3196, ext. 102

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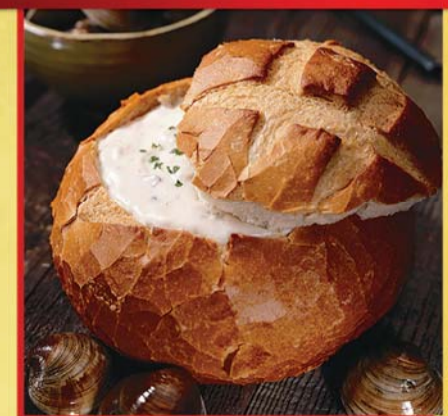
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first course will feature pasta with scallop, followed by Dungeness crab with little gem lettuce, avocado, and radish. The

main course will be halibut cheeks with Iberico ham (shhhhh) and new potatoes. Rounding out the evening will be sticky toffee pudding with crème fraiche.

Dinner costs \$150 per person, with optional wine pairings available for an

additional \$45 per person. A \$50 deposit is required to reserve. Book at exploretock.com/stationaery. For tables of more than six, email reservations@thestationaery.com.

■ Carmel Berry Co. healthy goods

Katie Reneker, founder of Carmel Berry Company, makes elderberry and elderflower goods with fresh-pressed American-grown elderberries and this month introduced two new products capitalizing on elderberries' reported health benefits. Reneker's Fresh Pressed Elderberry Immune Syrups come in two flavors: honey and lemon and honey and cinnamon. The syrups are sweetened with California sage honey, and each serving contains 10,200 mg organically grown fresh-pressed elderberry.

The syrups cost \$26 per bottle and are available directly from carmelberry.com, at several independent markets in Northern California and in select stores around the United States.

Reneker also supports new elderberry growers.

"Elderberry sales in the United States have grown by triple digits in the past three years, yet over 95 percent of elderberry goods in the United States use dried, imported berries," Reneker said. "Carmel Berry is changing the landscape with a commitment to only sourcing American-grown nutrient-rich berries and working with small organic farmers to offer grants, education and mentorship for elderberry growers."

The next round of grant applications opens in January.

■ Transition to organic

The USDA is encouraging farmers to switch to organic growing by establishing regional networks for its new Transition to Organic Partnership Program, which will invest up to \$100 million over the next five years in cooperative agreements with nonprofits.

The organizations in the network "will work together to establish and administer a farmer-to-farmer mentorship program providing direct farmer training, education and outreach activities," according to the USDA, to "help transitioning and recently transitioned producers who face technical, cultural and market shifts during the transition period and the first few years of organic certification."

The federal government debuted the Organic Transition Initiative in August as part of its effort to support local and regional growers and producers, increase the supply of affordable food, and promote "climate-smart agriculture."

"The organic community is known for strong local collaboration and providing farmer-to-farmer support," USDA Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs Jenny Lester Moffitt said in a statement announcing the effort last month. "TOPP will build on this spirit while bringing organic to new communities of farmers and consumers."

Among the organizations signed on to help establish the network on the West Coast is Salinas' own Agriculture and Land Based Training Association. Interested farmer mentors, mentees and other farm service organizations can sign on to participate at ams.usda.gov/services/organic-certification/topp.

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Street fair in Carmel Valley Village welcomes vendors, 'Barrels' fundraiser

BESIDES OFFERING holiday shoppers a wealth of gift-giving alternatives, Saturday's 15th annual Art & Wine Walk & Gift Faire in Carmel Valley Village hosts the grand finale of a clever fundraising art show, "Barrels of Fun."

Forty booths will be set up along Del Fino Place, which will be closed down from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"This long-standing annual event, always held the Saturday after Thanksgiving, features local craftspeople and artisans offering handmade and one-of-a-kind items for sale," said Shelley Allioti of the Carmel Valley Association, which puts on the event. "Food vendors, restaurants and Carmel Valley Village's many wine tasting rooms will be open, many offering specials."

The "Barrels of Fun" show opened in October. In it, nine local artists turned wine barrels into canvases. Donated by Folktales Winery, the barrels are being auctioned off

Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

online and the winners will be announced around 4 p.m. Proceeds benefit the Carmel Valley Art Association.

The street fair will feature a display of art by students from Carmel Middle School, Carmel High School and York School. Also, painter Ben Anderson presents a talk about the importance of light in art at 1 p.m., and the Money Band performs at 2:30 p.m.

■ Small paintings, big impact

Including nearly 200 original works of art created and donated by members of the museum, the Monterey Museum of Art's latest Miniatures Show is now on display — in its gallery at 559 Pacific St., and online at montereyart.org.

The display includes an impressive mix of painting, photography, printmaking, sculpture, and mixed media — all nearly small enough to stuff inside a Christmas stocking.

To be eligible to win a piece, you need to make a donation to the art museum. A drawing will be done at the close of the show, and the winners will be announced.

The show continues through Dec. 11. Proceeds help fund the art museum's programs and shows.



As a part of a fundraiser, painter Shelley Allioti of the Carmel Valley Art Association decorates a wine barrel.



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(folk, rock and blues, Sunday at noon and Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.) and mandolinist **Dave Holodiloff** (bluegrass and jazz, Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.). On Carmel Valley Road at Laueles Grade.

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

Cuz's Sportsman's Club in Seaside — **The New Wave** (rock, Friday at 8 p.m.), **The Four Sportsmen of the Apocalypse** (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 **Gennady Loktionov** and singer **Debbie Davis** (cabaret, Saturday at 7 p.m.), **The Andrea Carter Trio** (jazz and blues, Sunday at 11 a.m.), guitarist **Richard Devinck** (classical, Sunday at 6 p.m.) and singer **Lee Durley** and pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). Lincoln and Seventh.

Deja Blue in Seaside — singer **Minor Williams**, keyboardist **Michael Robinson**, multi-instrumentalist **Paul Branin** and drummer **Leon Joyce Jr.** (r&b and funk, Sunday at 3 p.m.) and singer **Darlene Coleman**, keyboardist **Scotty Wright**, bassist **David Daniel** and drummer **Leon Joyce Jr.** (jazz, Wednesday at 6 p.m.). 500 Broadway Ave.

Fernwood Resort in Big Sur — **The Derls** (rock, Saturday at 10 p.m.). On Highway 1 25 miles south of Rio Road.

Folktale Winery in Carmel Valley — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Joe Kaplow** (Friday at 4 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Talmon Owens** (Saturday at 4 p.m.) and **Two Rivers** with singer **Richard Bryant** and guitarist **Kyle Kovalik** (pop and rock, Monday at 4 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

Gusto Pasta and Pizza in Seaside — singer **Lauri Hofer-Romero** and guitarist **Bruce Forman** (jazz, Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). 1901 Fremont Blvd., (831) 899-5825.

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

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

The Inn at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach — **The Andy Weis Band** with pianist **Bill Spencer** and bassist **Pete Lips** (jazz, Friday at 7 p.m.) and **The Andy Weis Band** with pianist **Gary Meek** and bassist **Steve Uccello** (jazz, Saturday and 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 guitarist **Terrence Farrell** (Latin, 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 — **The 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 multi-instrumentalist **Alison Sharino**, (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kevin Pfeffer** (Saturday at 6 p.m.) and singer and



Singer Saul Hernández, along with the Mexican rock band Caifanes, takes the stage Thursday at the Golden State Theater.

guitarist **Dan Cortes** (Sunday at 6 p.m.). In the Terrace Lounge at 1700 17 Mile Drive.

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 — singer **Lauri Hofer-Romero**, guitarist **Bruce Forman** and bassist **Steve Uccello** (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 **Steve Mann** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and pianist **Scott Brown** (jazz and pop, Saturday at 6 p.m.), pianist **Martan Mann** (jazz, Sunday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Steven Shook** (Monday at 6:30 p.m.) and mandolinist **Dave Holodiloff** (bluegrass and jazz, Tuesday and Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.). 400 Cannery Row.

Other Brother Live in Seaside — **Stony Sugarskull** (rock, Friday at 7:30 p.m.). 877 Broadway Ave.

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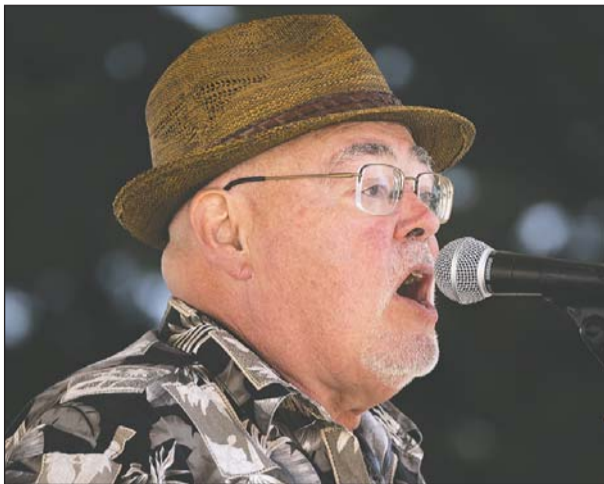
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Rio Grill — singer and guitarist **Paul Behan** (Friday



Singer and multi-instrumentalist Chuck Brewer plays rock and blues Friday at the Links Club in Carmel Plaza. Showtime is 7:30 p.m.

at 5 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Dan Cortes** (Saturday at noon) and singer and guitarist **Johan Sotelo** (Sunday at noon). Crossroads shopping center.

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

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

Sly McFly's in Monterey — **The Josh Rosenblum Band** (pop and rock, Friday at 9 p.m.), **Jon Griffin & The Lightfighters** (rock, Saturday at 9 p.m.), **Rhythm Tribe West** (rock, Sunday at 9 p.m.), **The Long Distance Flyers** (classic rock, Monday at 9 p.m.), **Victory Lane** (classic rock, Tuesday at 9 p.m.), **Johnny Tsunami** (rock, Wednesday) and **The DC Trio** (r&b and funk, Thursday at 9 p.m.). 700 Cannery Row.

Tarpy's in Monterey — singer and guitarist **Dan Cortes** (Friday at 5 p.m.), **Andrea's Fault Duo** (jazz and blues, Saturday at noon) and singer and multi-instrumentalist **Meredith McHenry** (Sunday at noon). 2999 Highway 68.

Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley — saxophonist **Roger Eddy** (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place.

Urban Lounge at the Red Lion Hotel in Monterey — the **Tribe in the Sky's** weekly Community Jam (Thursday at 7 p.m.). 1425 Munras Ave.

Wild Fish restaurant in Pacific Grove — **The Lighthouse Jazz Quartet** with pianist **Bob Phillips**, saxophonist **Paul Contos**, bassist **Zach Westfall** and drummer **Mike Shannon** (Friday, Saturday at 6:30 p.m.). 545 Lighthouse Ave.

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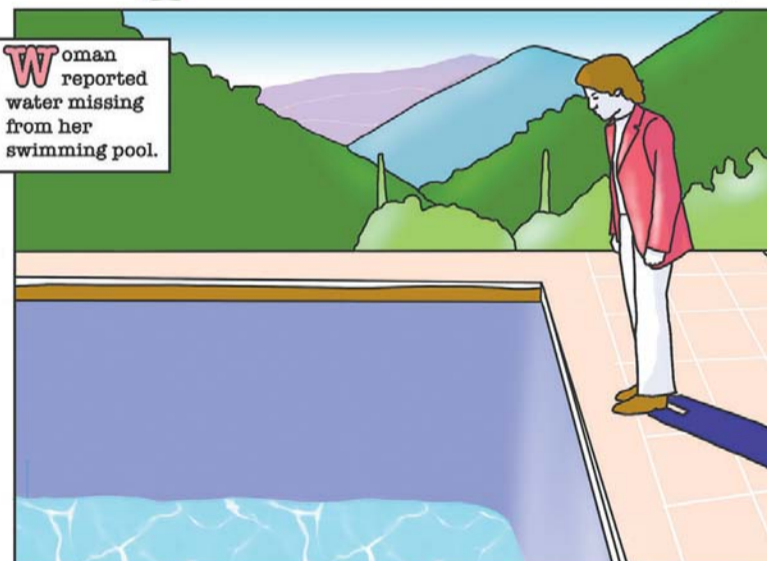
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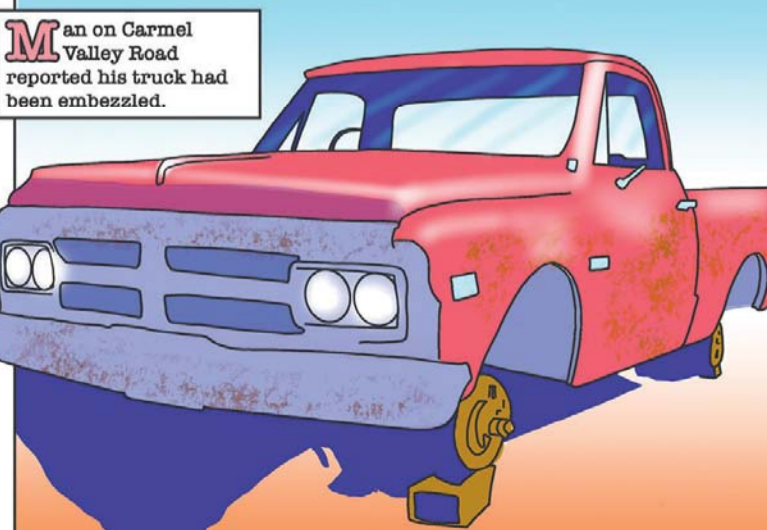
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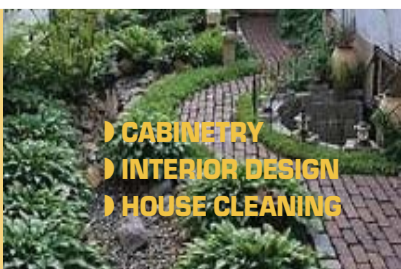
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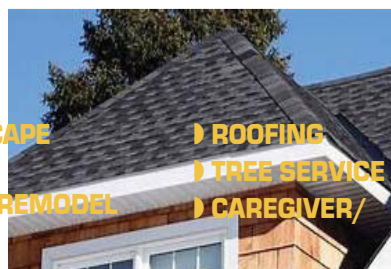
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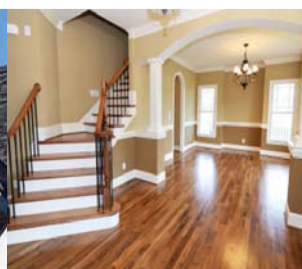
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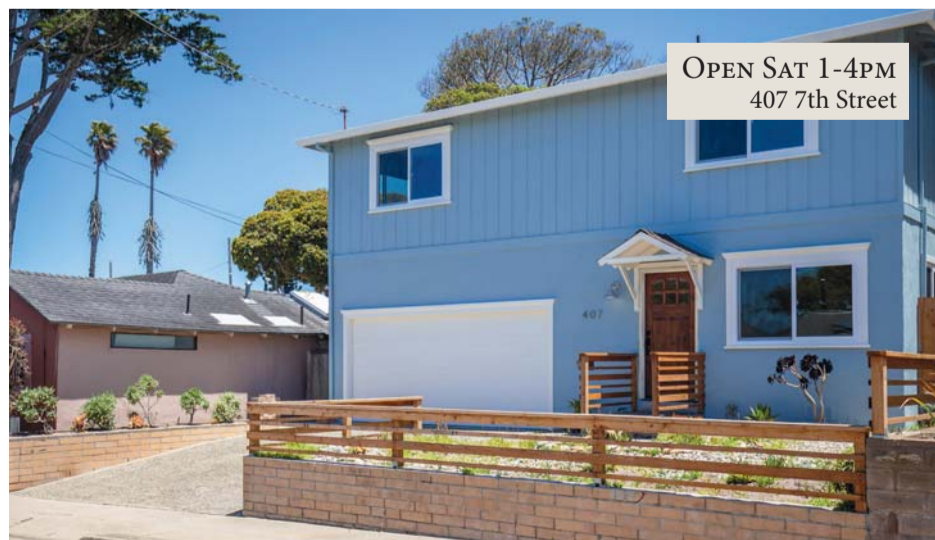
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But let’s go deeper than the Golden Rule, because none of us is so pure of heart to follow it every day. A couple of weekends ago, we turned back our clocks. What if we were able to set them back to any time we wanted? Imagine your Timex is a time machine. Where would you go? What would you do? Surely at the top of any list would be to spend more time with loved ones who departed this world too soon. How about another snuggle with Mom, or a game of catch with Dad? One moment more with a deceased spouse, or that BFF who slipped away when you were too far apart to say goodbye, or an event so special in your life that you can still see it in your mind and hold it in your heart. I would do all of those things.

But what would you change if you

could? Yes, we like to think that we have treated everyone fairly throughout our lives. We like to think we always followed the Golden Rule.

However, Plato said, “In everyone’s life, no matter how good their intent, there are people they made suffer.”

Are there things in your life you would

Scenic Views

By **JERRY GERVASE**

like to remove? Have you hurt someone, been hurt, had an accident or illness — something that, if you were a magician, you could snap your fingers and that awful thing would be gone out of your life?

‘Undo’ button

Once again, I’ll go first. What are the things I would remove from my life if I could? When was I sarcastic, self-centered or a disappointment?

If possible, I would wipe away the time I discovered my father wasn’t perfect, and when my children discovered I wasn’t. I’d erase the times I equivocated when I knew which was the right path, but took the road most traveled. I would hit the delete key for the compromises done for expediency’s sake and for the injustices ignored for the sake of convenience. I’d make restitution for the homeless persons passed by, forgetting that, “There but for the grace of God go I.”

Carl Jung said, “I am not what happened to me, I am what I chose to become,” and regardless of our age, we are still making those choices. Time-traveling back though your conscience can be a demoralizing trip into the Twilight Zone, but it can be hopeful, too. As Emily Dickenson said, “Hope is the thing with feathers that perches in the soul”.

See **GERVASE** page 10RE

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POLICE LOG

From page 4A

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 38-year-old male was cited at Rio Road and Highway 1 at 2344 hours for possession of drugs and burglary tools.

Pacific Grove: A bike was found on Ocean View Boulevard at 1524 hours.

Carmel Valley: Report of alleged abuse at an East Carmel Valley Road residence.

Pacific Grove: A 54-year-old female Walcott Way resident was arrested for an outstanding warrant for failure to appear. Subject cited and released.

Pacific Grove: Report of a broken house window on Spruce. No suspect information.

Pebble Beach: Juvenile issue at a school on Forest Lake Road.

Carmel Valley: Lost access card on Chambers Lane later replaced by credit card company.

Carmel area: Juvenile issue. Portola Avenue resident reported receiving harassing messages.

Carmel area: Rio Road resident stated his wife threatened him and wanted the inci-

dent documented for informational purposes.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officer responded to a report of a loose dog at Ocean and Casanova and located the dog owner. The dog was returned with a warning.

Pacific Grove: Emergency personnel responded to a residence on Evans Avenue for a report of a possible overdose. Subject was transported to a local hospital by ambulance.

Carmel Valley: Adult Protective Services report of alleged abuse at a Loma del Rey residence.

Carmel area: A woman stole a pair of pants belonging to a 17-year-old female from a locker at a gym on Carmel Rancho Boulevard.

Pebble Beach: Male requested a welfare check on his father-in-law at a Cormorant Road residence.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lost wedding ring, possibly near the library at Sixth and Mission.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Identity theft and attempted use of a stolen credit card reported at Ocean and Lincoln. A 21-year-old female

from Houston, Texas, was arrested for felony credit card fraud, theft of access card data, forgery and conspiracy, and misdemeanor possession of stolen property. She was booked into Monterey County Jail.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vandalism at a business at Ocean and Lincoln.

Pacific Grove: Ammunition turned in for surrender.

Pacific Grove: Officers were dispatched after report of a narcotic overdose on Spruce. Subject was transported to the hospital for further medical treatment.

Carmel area: Theft from a mailbox reported on Lower Walden Road.

Pebble Beach: Report of an alleged assault at a residence on Padre Lane.

Pebble Beach: Report of a theft of a golf bag on 17 Mile Drive that was witnessed on video surveillance equipment.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 24-year-old female wine steward who lives on Rio Road was arrested at Rio and Birch at 0119 hours for DUI. She was released on a citation to appear in court.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found garage door opener at Lincoln and Ocean.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fall on city property

at Scenic and Eighth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found cell phone in the beach restroom at Ocean and Del Mar with a white marble case.

Pacific Grove: A 33-year-old female was arrested for multiple counts of public intoxication, DUI and refusing to take a chemical test and was booked into Monterey County Jail on \$105,000 bail.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a residence on Cachagua Road for a domestic between father and son.

Pebble Beach: Report of an aggressive dog on Scenic Drive.

Carmel area: Hillside Lane resident wanted advice on how to handle her ex-fiance's messages and emails.

Pebble Beach: Deputies were dispatched to a report of a runaway juvenile. The juvenile in question later returned home to Pine Meadows Way safely.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a suicidal subject on East Carmel Valley Road. Subject was placed on a W&I 5150 hold for being a danger to self.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Municipal code vio-

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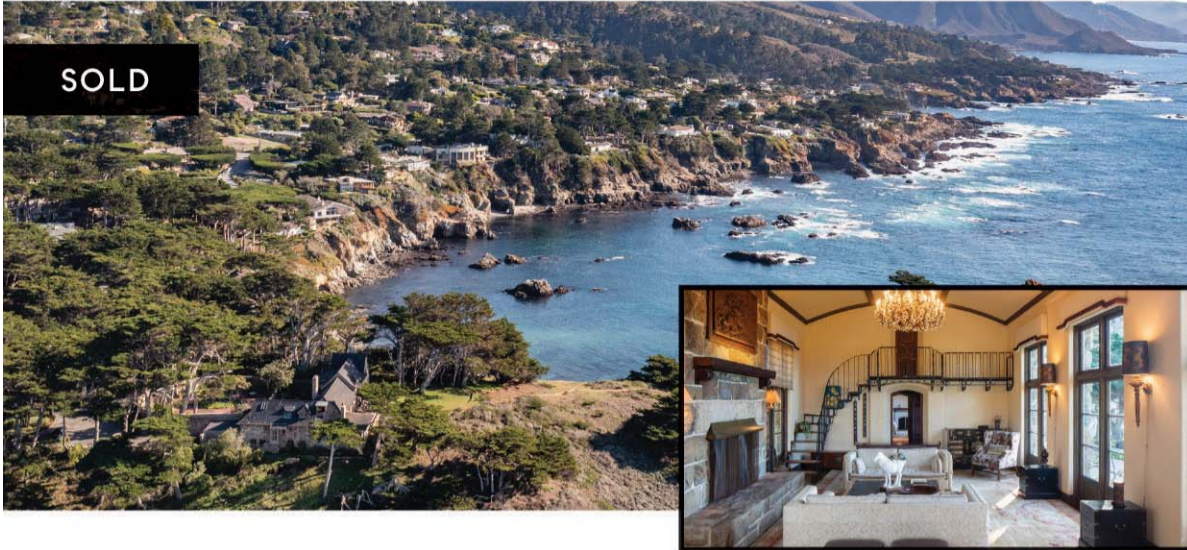
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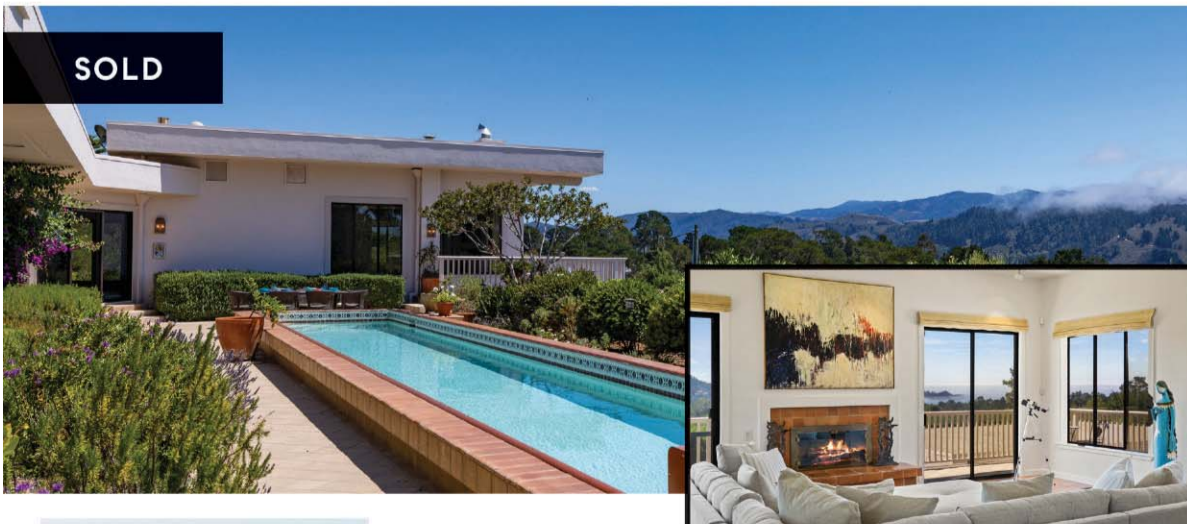


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GERVASE

From page 6RE

Growth occurs through trials and tribulations, so “where the path of difficulty crosses the easy way — mark a holy place,” said Lakota Shaman Black Elk. What are we grateful for? Again, I’ll go first. Life, of

course. On this day of thanks, I’m grateful for family, close friends, the love of a special woman, uncontrollable laughter, good books, good teachers, good memories, a creative editor/publisher who allows me to empty out a very cluttered mind every week, and readers who keep returning to this space.

I’m especially grateful for not being a turkey, and I hope your Thanksgiving was as blessed as mine. Contact Jerry at jerrygervase@yahoo.com.

CALLS

From page 8RE

lation: Illegal tree trimming on Santa Lucia Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Subject turned over illegal items to the police. Information only.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Officer observed a loose dog at Oak Knoll and Forest and followed her to a residence. The dog eluded capture, and a note was left at the front door. The next day, the dog owner made contact, and information was exchanged.

Carmel Valley: Deputies investigated threats against a mother by her 34-year-old son at a residence on Carmel Valley Road. The mother did not desire prosecution.

Carmel area: Deputies received a report of eggs being thrown at a residence on Mission Fields Road.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Construction site burglary at Mission and 10th.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lost cell phone at Ocean and Del Mar.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Animal control officer responded to a report of confrontation between a raccoon and dog under a deck at First and Lobos. The dog was retrieved, and the raccoon ran off prior to the officer’s arrival. Educational information was provided. No injury to the dog.

Carmel area: A citizen on Aguajito Road relinquished two firearms for destruction.

Carmel Valley: Deputies investigated theft from a vehicle on Rancho San Carlos Road. Victim’s stolen credit cards were used fraudulently.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury accident on private property on Ocean Avenue. Vehicle was drivable.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Theft of a cell phone and sim card at Ocean and Del Mar.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Suppliers to a former business in the area of San Carlos and Sixth reported outstanding property (estimated at \$16,000) and monies owed to them by the business owner. Counseled regarding potential options for resolution. Attempts to mediate ongoing.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Hit-and-run vehicle collision at Guadalupe and Fourth. The 48-year-old male driver was arrested at Santa Rita and Third for DUI, hit-and-run, and resisting arrest. He was booked into Monterey County Jail.

See SHERIFF page 14RE

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SHERIFF

From page 10RE

Big Sur: An abandoned vehicle was located on a bridge on Highway 1 with a rope tied to the vehicle. The remains of a male were later recovered nearby.

Big Sur: Deputies investigated a battery on a person on Highway 1.

Carmel area: A male juvenile brought a knife to an elementary school on Monte Verde Street.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female reported

that while she was at the beach near Scenic and 11th, her dog was jumped on and bitten by another dog, resulting in puncture wounds. The owner of the attacking dog would not provide his information. The female transported her dog for medical care. All dogs were off leash. Dog owner description: male adult, 80s, short hair, clean shaven, 5-foot-9, beige hat, red/blue jacket. Dog description: ginger color, doodle mix, tall, 90 lbs., red halter.

Pacific Grove: Report of possible animal abuse. Unfounded.

Pebble Beach: Sunridge Road resident wished to have an incident of vandalism documented.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Pacific Grove: A 55-year-old male at Arkwright Court was arrested for assault with a deadly weapon and violation of a domestic violence restraining order. He was booked into Monterey County Jail on charges

of felony assault with a deadly weapon (not a firearm), felony violation of probation, felony spousal abuse, misdemeanor violation of a restraining order and misdemeanor assault. He was held on \$30,000 bail.

Pacific Grove: Subject on David Avenue was arrested for drug paraphernalia, narcotics and violation of probation. The 38-year-old male was booked into Monterey County Jail on misdemeanor charges and held on \$16,000 bail.

Pacific Grove: Subject at Country Club Gate was arrested for an outstanding felony bench warrant for failure to appear in court. The 53-year-old male was booked into Monterey County Jail on felony charges of theft and making terrorist threats.

Big Sur: Disagreement between employees in the South County coastal area.

Carmel area: Subject on Ribera Road reported a suspicious incident for informational purposes only.

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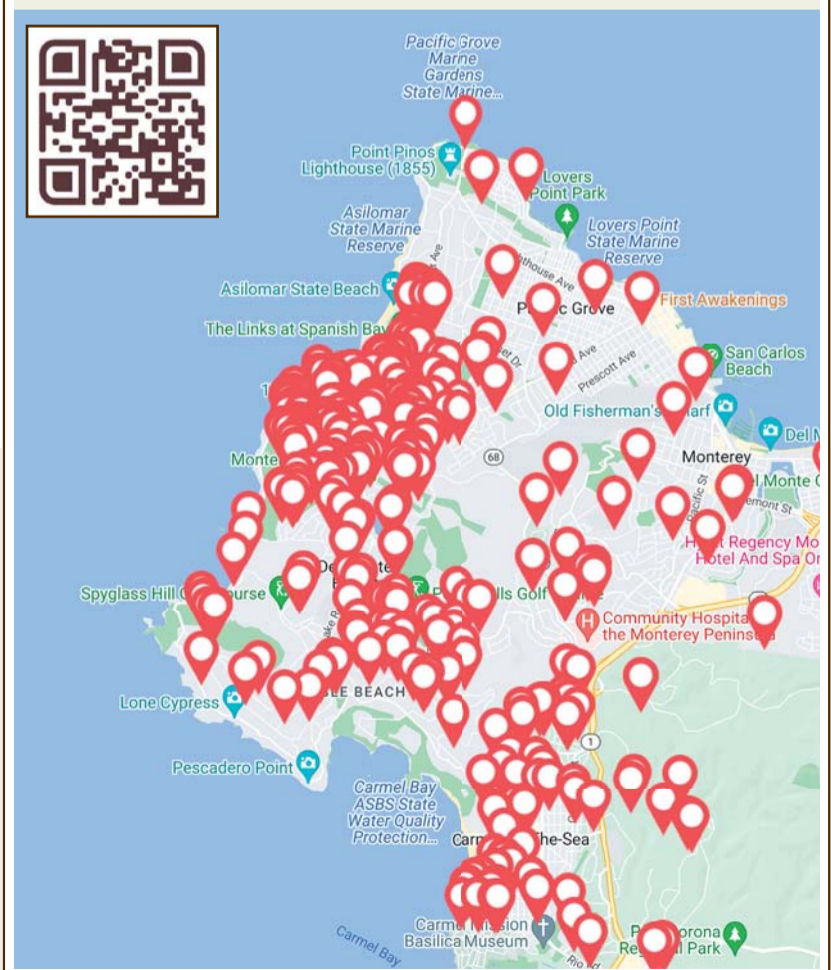


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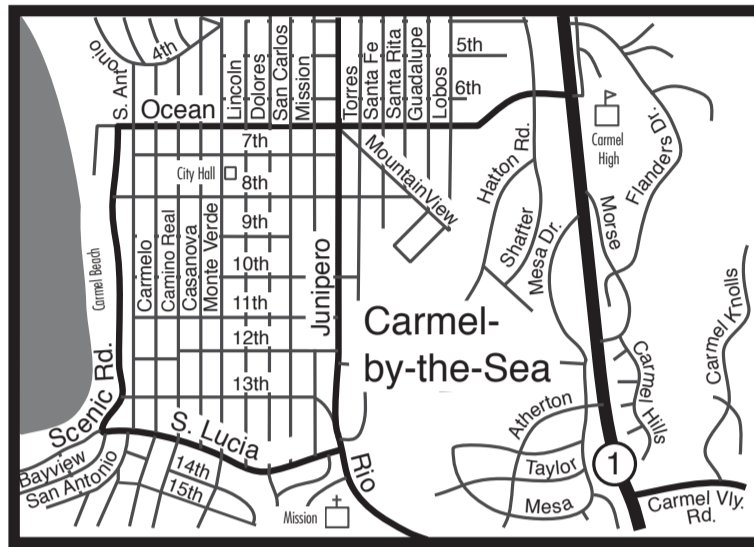
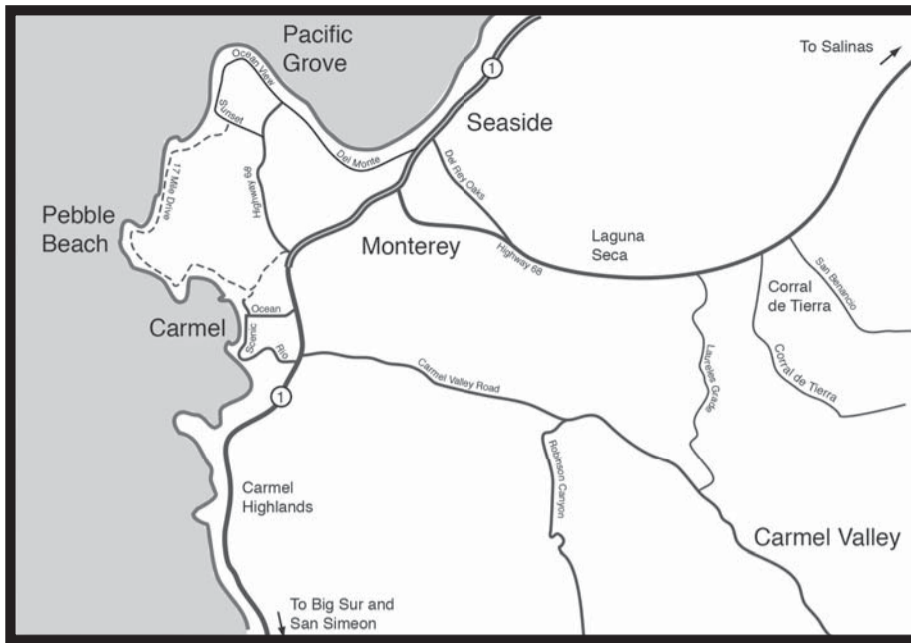


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\$905,000	2bd 2ba	Fr 11:30-1:30
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Sotheby's Int'l RE		293-3391
\$1,088,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 12-3
110 Del Mesa		Carmel
Sotheby's Int'l RE		293-3391
\$1,125,000	2bd 2ba	Fr 1:30-3:30
34 Del Mesa Carmel		Carmel
Sotheby's Int'l RE		293-3391
\$1,200,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1-4
223 Del Mesa Carmel		Carmel
Carmel Realty Company		601-3207
\$1,776,000	3bd 3ba	Su 12-2
25195 Stewart Place		Carmel
Sotheby's Int'l RE		238-8116
\$1,950,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1-3 Su 2-4
San Carlos 2NW of 12th Street		Carmel
Sotheby's Int'l RE		238-7449 / 601-2343
\$1,995,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1:30-3:30
Camino Del Monte 1 SE of Torres		Carmel
Sotheby's Int'l RE		915-1185
\$2,495,000	4bd 3ba	Fr Sa 12-3
Junipero 4 NW of 10th		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Realty		238-6189
\$2,695,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1-3 Su 12-2
26192 Mesa Dr		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Realty		387-1000 / 535-8264
\$2,695,000	3bd 2.5ba	Fr Sa 1-4
4 NW Junipero & 3rd		Carmel
Sotheby's Int'l RE		250-3950 / 596-0573
\$2,799,000	4bd 3ba	Sa Su 12-4
Sterling & Perry Newberry NE		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Realty		884-3919 / 596-6118
\$2,945,000	5bd 4ba	Sa 11-3
3235 Rio Road		Carmel
David Lyng Real Estate		238-4075
\$3,200,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 12-3
San Carlos 3 SE of 11th		Carmel
Sotheby's Int'l RE		917-9886
\$3,395,000	3bd 4ba	Sa 12-3
Casanova 2NE of 2nd		Carmel
Carmel Coast Realty		601-9963
\$4,950,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1:30-3:30
206 Upper Walden		Carmel
David Lyng Real Estate		594-6334
\$5,499,000	5bd 4.5ba	Sa 12-2 Su 12-3
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\$3,995,000	5bd 4.5ba	Su 1-3
31660 Via La Estrella		Carmel Valley
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MONTEREY		
\$875,000	2bd 1ba	Fr Sa 12-3
443 Archer Street		Monterey
Sotheby's Int'l RE		915-8989
\$1,195,000	4bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
998 Madison Street		Monterey
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25 Cielo Vista Drive		Monterey
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Sotheby's Int'l RE		869-6117
\$915,000	2bd 1ba	Sa 1-3
218 19th Street		Pacific Grove
Sotheby's Int'l RE		915-1185
\$1,099,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-4
1222 Shafter Avenue		Pacific Grove
Sotheby's Int'l RE		650-248-5030
\$1,475,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 11-2 Su 1-4
246 Grove Acre Avenue		Pacific Grove
Sotheby's Int'l RE		238-1984 / 917-9886
\$1,585,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-4
407 7th Street		Pacific Grove
Carmel Realty Company		747-4300
\$2,000,000	5bd 3ba	Su 1-3
2505 David Avenue		Pacific Grove
Sotheby's Int'l RE		277-8622
\$2,095,500	5bd 2.5ba	Sa Su 1-3
817 Congress Avenue		Pacific Grove
Sotheby's Int'l RE		596-9726
\$2,349,000	4bd 3ba	Sa Su 1-3
704 Granite Street		Pacific Grove
Sotheby's Int'l RE		597-2240
\$2,999,000	4bd 3ba	Fr 1-6 Sa 9-4 Su 9:30-4
1146 Crest Avenue		Pacific Grove
David Lyng Real Estate		566-5169
PEBBLE BEACH		
\$2,399,500	3bd 2ba	Sa 2-4
1047 Laurel Lane		Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Realty		277-7600
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42 Spanish Bay Circle		Pebble Beach
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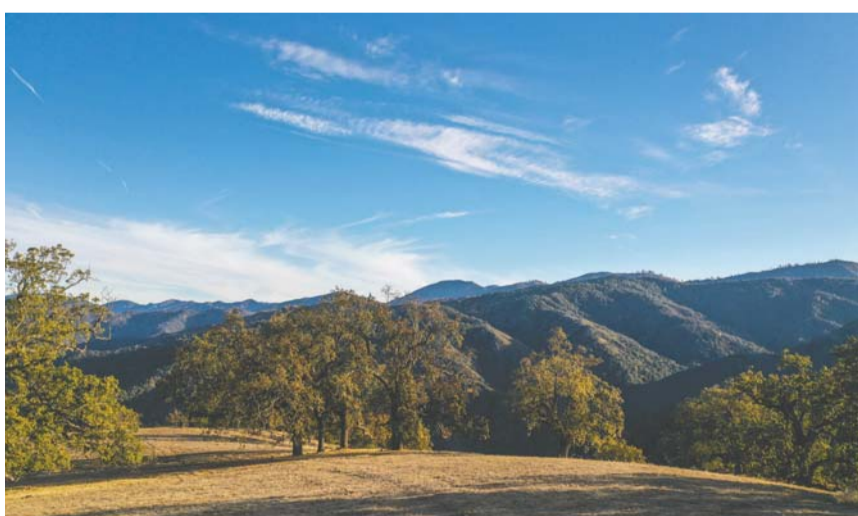
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LOG

From page 14RE

Carmel Valley: Request for a welfare check at a Canada Way residence.

Pebble Beach: Threats expressed on a social media platform by a juvenile on Forest Lake Road. Sheriff's office and Monterey County behavioral health contacted the juvenile and their parent.

Pebble Beach: Confused citizen reported an incident on 17 Mile Drive that had already been reported and documented on a prior date.

Carmel area: Reports of financial abuse on Outlook Drive and at a residence on Mission Fields Road.

Carmel area: Crestview Circle resident reported a suspicious elderly male walking near her backyard.

Big Sur: A female accidentally fell down a cliff on Highway 1. She was injured and transported to Natividad for treatment.

Carmel Valley: Deputies were dispatched after report of a suspicious vehicle on Valley Greens Drive.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Burglary at Carpenter and Sixth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Mental health hold at San Carlos and 13th.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Adult female at Seventh and Dolores was reported heavily intoxicated and falling down at 1743 hours. Subject was contacted and assisted with a hotel room in town. Subject had a service dog and claimed to be a veteran with PTSD. Her keys were surrendered for safekeeping to ensure she would not DUI. She was advised to pick up her keys in the morning.

Pacific Grove: Officers were dispatched to a reported burglary on Forest Lodge Road involving tampering with a vehicle and theft of parts, and breaking and entering.

Carmel area: Subject was given a trespass admonishment from the Crossroads shopping center.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female reported getting food poisoning at a bar on Lincoln Street. She said the only reason she thought she was poisoned was because she threw up and believed it looked abnormal. She said she had eaten mussels earlier in the day and it was possible that she had food poisoning.

Pacific Grove: At 0242 hours, officers were dispatched

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MORE CALLS

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to a man lying in the street. It was determined the male was deceased. An investigation is ongoing.

Pacific Grove: Bicycles were found on Short Street. PGPD will store them until the owner is found.

Pacific Grove: Report of a dispute among high school students. Information only.

Pacific Grove: Officers were dispatched to a verbal domestic on Forest Hill Road.

Pacific Grove: Window of a parked locked vehicle was smashed sometime overnight in a private parking lot at Country Club Gate.

Pebble Beach: Pine Meadows Way resident was referred to the hospital on a psychiatric hold.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Assistance given to an owner of a misplaced vehicle at San Carlos and Ocean.

Pacific Grove: A 22-year-old male was arrested at Country Club Gate at 0454 hours for misdemeanor public intoxication and obstructing an officer, and was booked into Monterey County Jail on \$5,000 bail.

Pacific Grove: A domestic violence incident occurred on Bayview. A 37-year-old female was arrested and booked into county jail.

Pacific Grove: Report of a missing person who returned home to a residence on Chestnut shortly after the report.

Pacific Grove: Found headphones were surrendered to the police department.

Pacific Grove: Deputy responded to a theft from a vehicle on Bayview Avenue. The registration of vehicle was taken. No suspect information.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Suicidal statements made by a subject at San Carlos and Seventh.

Pacific Grove: At approximately 0051 hours, a PGPD sergeant conducted a vehicle stop at Ocean View and Forest for a vehicle code violation. Further investigation led to the arrest of the 32-year-old female driver for driving under the influence of alcohol. Driver cited and released at the scene.

Pacific Grove: At about 0737 hours, officers were dispatched to a peace disturbance in the 2000 block of Sunset Drive. Report for information only.

Pacific Grove: A found wallet on 15th Street was turned in to the police department. Owner was contacted, and the property will be returned.

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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
698 Dickman Ave, MON	\$913,500	219 Locust St, PG	\$795,000
1232 Vallejo St, SEA	\$839,000	3231 Vista Del Camino MA	\$760,000
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		Cnr Asilomar & Pico, PG	\$315,000

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APN: 032-542-009

2992 Abrams Drive — \$1,225,000

Krupa Patel to Stephen and Kelli Edwards

APN: 031-274-002

2999 Pinnacles Way — \$1,327,500

JPA Marina Builders to Nikjil Kale and Ritu Ved

APN: 031-279-029



3049 Forest Way, Pebble Beach — \$1,925,000

473 Russell Way — \$1,563,000

JPA Marina Builders to Travis Dickendesh and

Rahul Dasarii

APN: 031-279-087

475 Russell Way — \$1,569,000

JPA Marina Builders to Denise and Mark Lejardi

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Monterey

300 Glenwood Circle unit 400 — \$579,500

Landau Davidson to Nicholas Cunningham

APN: 001-776-060

831 Cass Street — \$600,000

James Barnes to Aranti Estates LLC

APN: 001-681-052

1190 Seventh Street — \$1,100,000

Bruce Elster to Park Ave LLC

APN: 001-848-007

1 Surf Way unit 144 — \$1,500,000

Noel Patton to Robert and Sondra Amendola

APN: 001-442-034

Pacific Grove

1117 Presidio Blvd. — \$1,150,000

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PUBLIC NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20222096

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:

Much Loved Dog Care & Lodging, 598 Matherhorn Court, Marina, CA 93933. County of Monterey

Registered Owner(s):

Much Loved Pet Boarding and Daycare LLC, 598 Matherhorn Court, Marina, CA 93933; CA

This business is conducted by a limited liability company

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable

S/ Nina Woolfolk, Managing Member This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 10/14/2022

11/4, 11/11, 11/18, 11/25/22

CNS-3631905#

CARMEL PINE CONE

Publication Dates: Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2022. (PC 1101)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20222115

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Platt Electric Supply, 34 Simas Street, Suite B, Salinas, CA 93901.** County of Monterey

Mailing Address: 5429 LBJ Freeway, Suite 600, Dallas, TX 75240

Registered Owner(s):

Rexel USA Inc., 5429 BJ Freeway, Suite 600, Dallas, TX 75240; Delaware

This business is conducted by a corporation

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 01/01/2018

S/ Jonathan Plotkin, VP

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 10/19/2022

11/4, 11/11, 11/18, 11/25/22

CNS-363815#

CARMEL PINE CONE

Publication Dates: Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2022. (PC 1102)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ALAN C. THOMPSON aka ALAN CRAIG THOMPSON Case Number 22PR000549

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of ALAN C. THOMPSON aka ALAN CRAIG THOMPSON.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by WILLIAM CLARKE in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

The Petition for Probate requests that WILLIAM CLARKE be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

Date: January 4, 2023

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Dept.: 13

Address: Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner:

Dana F. Longo

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This statement was filed by Superior Court of California, County of Monterey on Oct. 24 2022.

Publication dates: Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2022. (PC1103)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20222192

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **SOLARTECTURE, 1213 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.**

Registered Owner(s):

MARK EDWARD PORTER, 9940 Eddy Road, Carmel, CA 93923.

This business is conducted by an individual.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 1, 1989.

BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows

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S/Mark Porter

Date signed: Oct. 31, 2022

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 31, 2022.

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

Publication Dates: Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2022. (PC 1104)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20222058

Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

1. THE REAL ESTATE GROUP MONTEREY PENINSULA

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Carmel Area Wastewater District Board President

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