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LOCALS AND LOVED

# Caltrans aiming for late May reopening of Highway 1 to public

INITIAL WORK to stabilize a portion of Highway 1 south of the Rocky Creek Bridge that crumbled in late March will be completed by Memorial Day, at which point the road will be reopen to the public, Caltrans said this week. Meanwhile, businesses continue to suffer major economic damage due to the road closure, one owner told The Pine Cone.

Caltrans said that by May 27, escorted convoys that have only included Big Sur residents and workers traveling on Highway 1 through the closure would end, and 24/7 alternating one-way traffic through the area using signalized control would begin.

"Once the temporary signals are in place, the road will be open to all travelers," said Caltrans spokesman Kevin

The convoys operating at 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. are for Big Sur residents and workers only, not tourists or the public.

### Scary work

Caltrans said the stabilization work — carried out by daredevil workers dangling over the side of a cliff — is a temporary fix which will allow the unrestricted traffic flow through the area until permanent repairs can be designed and built to restore the southbound lane that was lost in the rockslide, the agency said.

We know how important Highway 1 is to the regional economy, especially during the summer, so we are working to reopen the roadway as quickly and safely as possible



Crews in a suspended basket begin drilling Wednesday to reinforce the slope below the Highway 1 slip-out at Rocky Creek.

# Kids take their bumps at Sea Otter Classic



While mountain, road and gravel races involving thousands of competitive cyclists swirl around them, these youngsters learn how to maintain control over obstacles at Laguna Seca Thursday during the annual Sea Otter Classic. More images,

while at the same time making it more resilient to future extreme weather events," Caltrans director Tony Tavares

### Overnight work

Since the so-called "slip-out" of the road, Caltrans has performed geotechnical assessments, widened and improved drainage in the northbound shoulder and placed concrete barriers along the center line. While all that was going on, other workers drilled and installed vertical rock dowels through the pavement of the southbound lane to the edge of the road. The drainage upgrades are expected to help Highway 1 better withstand extreme

Crews this week also drilled anchor supports for deployment of a crane, which will allow them to begin installing horizontal rock dowels, which will be placed

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# HOTEL NEAR AQUARIUM GETS COASTAL COMMISSION OK

### ■ Construction to start in 18 months

By KELLY NIX

IN A huge win for the owners of the American Tin Cannery and the people who want to build a hotel there, the California Coastal Commission last week approved a



As shown in this rendering, a proposed hotel near the Monterey Bay Aquarium retains many of the features of the tin can factory that formerly operated at the site.

206-room resort on the property, which proponents say will mean hundreds of jobs and big tax revenue for Pacific Grove, but naysayers contend is too large and would harm local harbor seals and spoil coastal views.

### 'Controversial'

After a lengthy hearing in Long Beach April 11 on the

American Tin Cannery proposal, which was approved by the P.G. City Council in January 2022, coastal commissioners voted 9-1 to OK the development, which includes surface and underground parking for 300 vehicles, as well as restaurants, a fitness center, banquet and meeting rooms and other amenities. Paloma Aguirre, mayor of Imperial Beach, was the lone "no" vote.

In their report to commissioners, coastal planners said the original proposal was "missing key

# Decrepit hospital site slated for 143 apartments

By MARY SCHLEY

TAKING ADVANTAGE of developer-friendly state laws and the fact that Monterey County lacks a certified housing plan — opening it to what's known as "builder's remedy" — the owner of the long-closed and moldering former Carmel Convalescent Hospital on Valley Way just outside the Carmel city limits has applied to build 143 residences on the nearly 5-acre property.

### **Less commuting**

The project will provide living space for doctors, nurses, firefighters, police officers, teachers and others whose workplaces are in areas where they haven't been able to afford to live, according to architect Eric Miller.

Paperwork submitted to the county on behalf of West Hollywood real estate developer/investor Jeff Davamandi





It's been vacant, falling apart, vandalized and trespassed on for years, but the old Carmel Convalescent Hospital (top) is slated to see new life as the site of 82 apartments, according to a project submitted to the county and illustrated in the above rendering.

indicates 52 flats and townhouses — 11 of them for low-income renters and buyers — will replace 14 "rundown, falling-down apartments," Miller said. Another 82apartments will be built in the historic hospital building, which needs a major overhaul after being shut down and subsequently vandalized for many years. At least 20 percent of the homes will be designated affordable, and there will be 91 parking spaces onsite.

### **Housing Crisis Act**

"We made the application under builder's remedy, SB 330 and the density bonus," the architect explained. "All of these are available to us from the state.'

SB 330, known as the Housing Crisis Act of 2019, streamlines the approval process for projects containing affordable housing, and density bonuses allow more homes per acre than a property is zoned for when a certain percentage is designated for lower-income occupants.

The provision known as builder's remedy requires local governments to approve developments that include

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# Sandy Claws

# By Lisa Crawford Watson

# Forever young

She and her husband had moved around so much for his career, she knew it wouldn't be fair to bring a dog into the dynamic. Yet, once they made the decision to put down roots in the "canine capital of the country," they knew they couldn't do so without a dog.

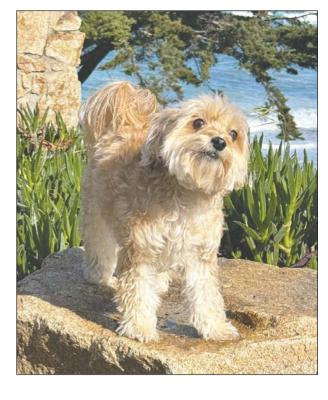
Gypsy is a Maltese-Yorkshire terrier mix, rescued as a puppy in Florida and brought with her family to Carmel, where she has grown up with their friend's yellow Lab. This has caused the 10-pound pup to get it in her head that she too, is a big dog.

"Down at the beach, Gypsy seems to thinks she's a Rottweiler, corralling packs of other dogs, and asserting her sense of authority. This sometimes gets her in trouble," said her person. "Sometimes other beachcombers hand us business cards for dog trainers."

Gypsy, now 7, is generally very well trained, yet compared to her person's two teen daughters, she seems like a spoiled toddler.

"She thinks all people were put on this earth to love her," said her person, "which many reinforce when

Recently, she was attacked by a Schnauzer, causing her to lose a tooth and all kinds of confidence. "She



has trust issues now," her person said.

Gypsy's best friend is a Chinese Crested "powder puff," a "pandemic pup" half her size, which further supports Gypsy's assumption of stature.

"We can't let Gypsy get over 10 pounds or she won't be able to travel with us in the cabin when we fly. We love her so much, we take her everywhere," said her person, who admits to living in denial about how old

"Because of her cute look," she said, "everyone thinks she's a puppy, something we choose to believe, as well."



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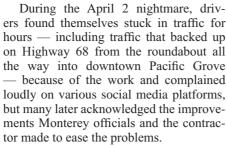
# Night roadwork soothes frustration

By MARY SCHLEY

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m A}$ FTER AN "absolutely horrible day" of road construction that gridlocked traffic in many parts of Monterey and Pacific Grove earlier this month, Monterey City Manager Hans Uslar apologized and said schedules would be adjusted to avoid such "carmageddon" during the rest of the project, which includes repairing and resurfacing dozens of streets through late May.

'We analyzed factors overnight and talked to the contractor who's doing work on Lighthouse and have made changes," Uslar said during a YouTube broadcast April 3, including ensuring only one lane will be closed at a time on the four-lane stretch of Lighthouse Avenue that connects Pacific Grove and Cannery Row with Old

"Big streets like Lighthouse that carry



"I think it is a rare situation of a government entity seeing they made a mistake and listened to the public and corrected the mistake," one commenter said. "So, kudos to Monterey."

### Planning accordingly

Last week and this week, construction crews worked on streets throughout Monterey during daytime hours and at night, focusing on the noisiest jobs during the

day, like moving utilities.

The resurfacing and repairs are part of a multiphase effort funded by a special sales tax approved by more than 80 percent the city's registered voters in 2018. Measure S extended an earlier 1 percent addition to sales tax, Measure P, to fund roadwork and other infrastructure repairs for another eight years, through March 31, 2027. The 2023-2024 budget allocates \$14.4 million in Measure S money for various infrastructure projects.

The city suspended Phase 4 of its Measure S Citywide Road Resurfac-

ing Project — which includes resurfacing major city thoroughfares and other streets with more than 1 million square

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Construction crews worked nights last week to repave stretches of Lighthouse Avenue after daytime work caused major traffic.

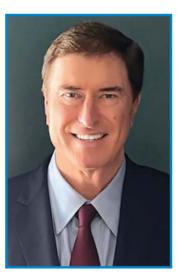
40,000 cars a day are always difficult to work on," he said, and it's practically impossible to make everyone happy. Daytime work causes a lot of congestion, while nighttime work is noisy.

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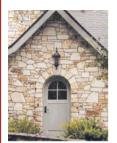
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# Police & Sheriff's Log

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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.

The Carmel Pine Cone

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 30**

Big Sur: Deputies investigated a report of an assault with a deadly weapon on Highway 1 involving a 60-year-old male suspect and a 36-year-old male victim.

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 31**

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lost wallet reported at Ocean and Lincoln.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Outside agency assist for a courtesy stolen vehicle report in

Pacific Grove: Report of shoplifting at the Country Club Gate Center. Property returned. No suspect information.

Pacific Grove: Officers were dispatched to a suspicious circumstance on Pine Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Barking dog complaint on Montecito Avenue. Citizen advised of the municipal code.

Carmel area: Deputies discovered an

elderly person experiencing a medical emergency alone in their home on Rio Road.

### **MONDAY, APRIL 1**

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fall on city property in the area of Lincoln and Second. Subject transported to hospital with a broken arm.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A burglary was reported at Mission and 12th.

Pacific Grove: Adult Protective Services requested a welfare check on a subject on

Pacific Grove: Vehicle towed for being in a public parking lot on Jewell Avenue with expired registration past six months.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Wallet found and arrangements made to return the wallet to its

Pacific Grove: Subject fell on public property at Lighthouse and 19th.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a landlord-tenant dispute on Aliso Road.

Carmel Valley: A welfare check was conducted at a Hacienda Carmel residence.

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



# The gavel falls

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

March 19 — The Hon. Pamela L. Butler sentenced Juan Pedro Diaz, 36 and a resident of Salinas, to eight years in state prison after he was convicted of one count of forcible lewd and lascivious acts on a child under the age of 14. This conviction constitutes a strike for purposes of California's three strikes law. Diaz will also have to register as a sexual offender for the remainder of his life.

On or around July 31, 2023, officers from the Salinas Police Department followed up on a suspected child abuse report and contacted Jane Doe, who reported that Diaz was living with her family when she was between 12 and 13 years old. On two separate instances, Diaz touched Doe in a lewd manner. The first time, Diaz walked up behind Doe, wrapped his arms around her, and slowly touched her breasts over her clothes. The second time, Diaz squeezed Doe's buttocks over her clothes. Diaz was previously convicted and sentenced for committing domestic violence

This case was investigated by Detective Jaren Dominici with the assistance of Officer Eduardo Bejarano, both of the Salinas Police Department. Jane Doe was assisted by victim advocate Estella Sanchez.

March 26 — The Hon. Andrew Liu sentenced Obdulio Aparicio, 38 and a resident of Castroville, to five years in state prison after he was convicted of one count of human trafficking of a minor for commercial sex purposes, a felony offense, one count of child abuse, and one count of misdemeanor domestic violence. These are Aparicio's first convictions of any kind. The crime of human trafficking of a minor for commercial sex purposes became a strike offense for purposes of California's three strikes law after SB14 took effect in January 2024. However, the date of the offense in this case predates the change in the law and therefore will not constitute a strike offense for Aparicio. In addition to the prison sentence, Aparicio will have to register as a sexual offender for the remainder of his life.

The Monterey County Sheriff's Office became aware in April 2023 that Aparicio sold 14-year-old Jane Doe, who was his family member, to Javier Saavedra. Further investigation confirmed that Aparicio had negoti-

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# P.B. home for sale destroyed in fire

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

A HOUSE on Sloat Road in Pebble Beach that caught fire early Friday morning is a total loss, according to Cal Fire. The residence at 2988 Sloat Road had been for sale for \$1,950,000, various listing agencies indicated, and was in escrow when it caught fire around 3 a.m. April 12.

The blaze was fought by 16 firefighters using equipment from three engines and a truck, according to Battalion Chief Curtis

"The incident on Sloat Road in Pebble Beach is a total loss," said the state fire agency, which runs two stations in Pebble Beach. "Thankfully, there were no injuries to civilians or firefighters."

The three-bedroom, two-bathroom, 1,552-square-foot home was built in 1956 and last changed hands in February 2022, when it sold for \$1,230,000, according to Monterey County records. It's located on an 8,700-square-foot lot on Sloat at the intersection with Arroyo Drive near the Monterey Peninsula Country Club.

The residence was taken off the market the day after the fire, which is being investigated.

"We had our prevention staff out there again today," Rhodes said Wednesday. "But the cause remains undetermined."

Firefighters battle flames that erupted from a home on Sloat Road in Pebble Beach early Friday morning. While they quickly got the blaze under control, the house was a total loss, according to Cal Fire.

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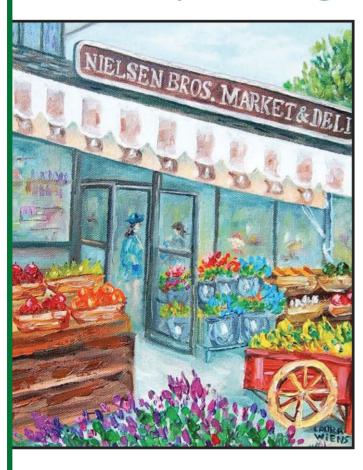




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# CHS robotics team competing at world championship in Houston

By MARY SCHLEY

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DESPITE FALLING short on its last-minute fundraising goals to cover the costs of getting there, Carmel High School's robotics team made it to the FIRST Championship in Houston, Texas, where competition is underway through April 20, CHS teacher John Clymer, the team's advisor, confirmed Thursday.

Called Team 2035, the Rockin' Bots, the group of 25 mostly underclassmen won

a spot in the world championship after working with two other teams on an alliance to win the Monterey Bay Regionals Robotics competition at Seaside High School last month. The students had assumed that was the end of their season, according to parent Chelle Rittermal, but they were invited to be the third and final member of the alliance going to Houston after CHS' robot "contributed to this alliance's win with some stellar defense."

Robotics competitions involve a range of tasks — such as seeing which

side can get the most foam rings into various receptacles — and some robots are designed to prevent their competitors from scoring, while others are better equipped to play offense.

### Working together

"There are three teams on each alliance," Clymer explained. "You work together to try to get as many points as you can and win the match."

Clymer said his students' robot is sturdy and quick, making it an essential part of last month's competition in Seaside. "Our robot was solid, worked really well and had a really strong, powerful drive train," he said. "Because if the robot doesn't move consistently and is not strong, it's not going to be very useful."

### Shut them down

In the regionals, the two top-seeded teams picked CHS to join their alliance because of those strengths. "They wanted us to play defense, which we did very



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'We were screaming like crazy,' Carmel High robotics team advisor John Clymer said, when they learned they'd be competing.

effectively," Clymer said. "The top teams got lots and lots of points, and they wanted us to keep the other teams from winning by shutting down the top offensive player."

The CHS team was thrilled to get the wildcard entry to be part of the alliance in the championship in Houston. "We were super excited when they called our name," he said. "We were screaming like crazy."

With just a couple of weeks to plan the trip and raise the money to pay for it,

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# P.G. hires new full-time city manager

By KELLY NIX

THE PACIFIC Grove City Council on Wednesday OK'd an employment contract for Matthew Mogensen — an administrator in Marina — to become the new city manager.

The council voted 6-0 April 17 to approve the agreement for Mogensen,

48, who will be paid a salary of \$251,680 and about \$41,000 in health and other benefits. Mogensen, who starts the job May 6, will succeed interim city manager Robert Perrault, who was hired to fill the spot left by Ben Harvey after he resigned last July when he signed a "separation agreement" with the city.

"Following a diligent search for receiving and reviewing multiple applications for the city manager position, and interviews of selected candidates, the city council has determined that Matthew Mogensen should

be appointed as the city manager," city attorney Brian Pierik said Wednesday night before the council voted on the contract.

### Many applicants

Mogensen, who has been assistant city manager of Marina since 2018, has more than 20 years of experience in city administration. From 2008 to 2018, he served in two positions in Fountain Valley, including planning and building director, and was the assistant planner for Brea for two years after being a paid intern there in the development services department two years before that.

There were more than 30 applicants for the job. The city retained a professional recruiter to fill the spot.

"From everything I know about Mogensen, I fully expect he will be a wonderful addition to city staff and a leader in our city organization," Mayor Bill Peake said. "I anticipate excellent things with him at the helm."

Mogensen was in the audience during the brief discussion to approve his contract, councilman Chaps Poduri noted.



Matthew Mogensen

### **Benefits**

Mogensen's employment can be terminated without cause by a simple majority vote of the council. And if he's convicted and pleads guilty to a felony or misdemeanor crime involving moral turpitude, breach of trust, unethical conduct, fraud, gross neglect, embezzlement, harassment, discrimination, abuse of office or other crimes, the city "shall not be obligated to pay, and shall not pay, any amounts or continue any benefits," according to the employ-

ment contract.

Mogensen will receive health, dental and vision benefits, a \$75,000 life insurance policy, and an annual fitness credit of \$500, which he can use for a gym membership, fitness classes or exercise equipment, a \$500-per-month automobile allowance, and other perks.

His resume states he's an "experienced public administrator with 20 years managing and providing high-quality responsive local government services in full-service cities."

Mogensen also said he's "adept at streamlining operations to be fiscally prudent" and is known to "foster positive relationships and to represent the city and its interests in the community and region."



# Panetta: U.S. must support Israel

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### ■ Wants more aid to Gaza

By KELLY NIX

REP. JIMMY Panetta this week urged the United States to continue to stand by Israel after an unprecedented attack last weekend by Iran, which launched hundreds of drones and missiles at the country.

Panetta said Monday that the United States must stand "shoulder to shoulder with Israel." Iran attacked Israel in retaliation for a suspected Israeli airstrike in Syria April 1 that killed two Iranian generals Israel says helped plan the Oct. 7 massacres by Hamas.

"The recent attacks by Iran and continued attacks by its proxies are examples

of the constant threats and challenges faced by the people of Israel," Panetta said. "Nevertheless, the alliance between the United States towns while and Israel remains ironclad, as our military forces also giving work in close coordination to intercept nearly all Iranian drones and missiles launched in this assault and we continue to fortify the defenses of our democratic ally."

Israel this week vowed retaliation against Iran.

The Democratic congressman from Carmel Valley also urged House Speaker Mike Johnson, a Republican from Louisiana, to stop "shirking his responsibility" to schedule votes on aid packages that would provide funds to Israel and Ukraine, Johnson on Monday announced that he would advance aid to those countries, and Taiwan, in separate bills.

With U.S. spending deficits continuing to rise and millions of illegal immigrants crossing the southern border, many in Congress think some foreign spending should be curtailed and the money redirected to urgent needs at home.

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But Panetta says the spending abroad should continue.

"Together, we must rise to this challenge to ensure a secure future for Israel and our democratic allies around the globe," said Panetta, who added that the aid package "would easily pass Congress."

### Gaza plea

Panetta's letter to support Israel came three days after he also pressed officials from the U.S. State Department to increase humanitarian aid into Gaza, and said that more must be done to ensure that additional supplies by air, land and sea make their way to the region. Israel launched an offensive in Gaza after terrorist group Hamas' Oct. 7, 2023, attacks. While Israel

wants to eliminate Hamas, thousands of Gaza residents have been killed amid that process.

humanitarian "More aid must reach civilians in Gaza," Panetta said. "I have consistently and clearly stated that urgent need throughout this complicated conflict, including in our bipartisan letter in which my

Congressional colleagues and I demanded action by the Biden Administration."

The congressman also referenced an Israeli airstrike in Gaza earlier this month in which killed seven aid workers, including an American-Canadian dual citizen, working for World Central Kitchen, a charity helping to feed Gaza residents. Israel has said it mistakenly believed the charity workers were Hamas operatives.

Despite the recent tragedy involving the World Central Kitchen aid workers, the United States, its international partners, and aid organizations must continue to move forward with urgency so that the people of Gaza have access to timely, regular, and sufficient deliveries of humanitarian assistance," Panetta said.

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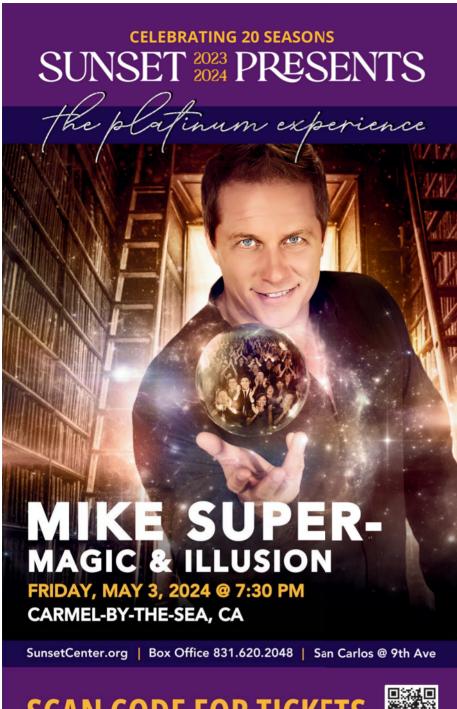


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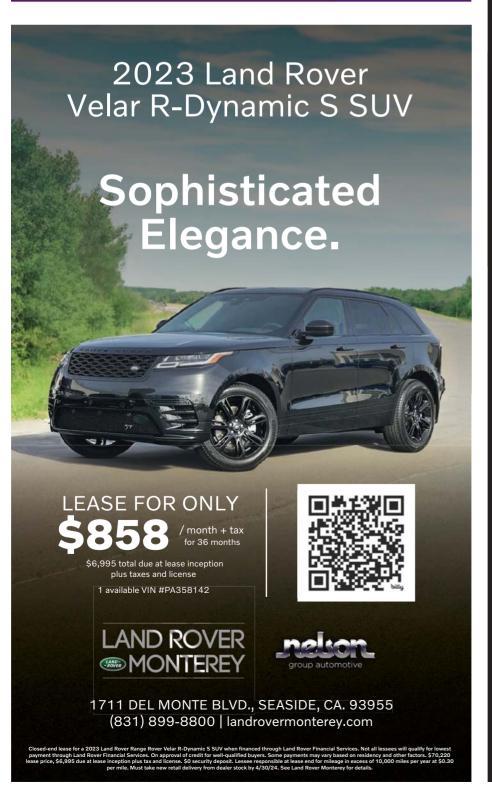
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### Woman injured when car hits hotel

By MARY SCHLEY

A MENLO Park man told police his foot slipped off the brake and hit the accelerator of his 2007 Toyota Avalon as he attempted to park on Ocean Avenue

Wednesday morning, sending the car hurtling into the side of the Normandy Inn and injuring his wife, who was in the passenger seat, according to Carmel Police Sgt. Michael Bruno.

"The driver said they both had their seatbelts on as he attempted to make a right turn into a parking stall in front of the Normandy Inn located on Ocean Avenue just east of Casanova Street," Bruno said. But as he started to turn into the stall, his foot slipped and hit the throttle, "causing his vehicle to speed forward out of control" over a planter and

across the sidewalk, a distance of 20 to 25 feet, before it crashed into a small retaining wall in front of the hotel.

### No drugs, alcohol

The driver, 84-year-old Hillard Holmes, was not injured, according to Bruno, and drugs or alcohol did not appear to be a factor. His 82-year-old wife "sustained moderate injuries that are non-life threatening" and were caused by the seatbelt restraining her.

Bruno also said the Toyota Avalon "appeared to be a total loss," and the Normandy Inn sustained minor damage to the retaining wall and a sign. Jermel Laurie, the city's building official, inspected



The driver was OK, a passenger suffered minor injuries and the building survived, but this Toyota Avalon was a total loss.

the building and concluded it suffered no

structural damage as a result of the crash. "Although one person was injured, this accident could have been much worse," Bruno said. "Luckily, there were no pedestrians on the sidewalk near the Normandy Inn at the time of the accident."

He also speculated that if the driver and passenger had not been wearing seat belts, they would likely have been seriously injured in the crash.

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### Primary care

Patients with an available primary care doctor should contact their doctor first when non-emergency medical issues arise.

"Think of your primary care doctor as your personal health advisor who knows your health history, family history, risks for disease, current health conditions, medications, and health goals," says Dr. Mark Carvalho, CEO of Montage Medical Group and President of MoGo Urgent Care. "Since they know you best, when you are ill or not feeling well, they can be your best venue for care."

While Montage Medical Group has close to 100 primary care and specialist providers, Monterey County still faces a primary care doctor shortage that can cause lengthy waits for new patients. "We are continuing to recruit more doctors to meet our community's need," Carvalho says, "and we have a new patient waitlist to get them established as soon as a new doctor comes on board."

For patients who do not have a primary care doctor, or if a patient's primary care doctor is unavailable, options like Montage Health's 24/7 eVisit or MoGo Urgent Care can provide quality treatment.

### 24/7 eVisit

Montage Health's 24/7 eVisit can provide a diagnosis, treatment plan, and referral or prescription using a computer or mobile device. Patients complete an online questionnaire to determine whether the issue is appropriate for an eVisit, and within 10 minutes to 1 hour, they receive a response from a provider.

"Our 24/7 eVisit can be very convenient for a patient who is at home, may have challenges with transportation, or can't miss time from work," Carvalho says.

Symptoms that can be appropriate for the 24/7 eVisit include allergies, skin issues, urinary tract infections, respiratory symptoms, mild digestive issues like consti-

pation and diarrhea, and mild muscle pain like low back pain.

### **Urgent care**

For acute issues that require in-person care like stitches, x-rays, throat swabs, or urine tests, MoGo Urgent Care in Monterey, Carmel, and Marina provides quality care in a welcoming environment.

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MoGo Urgent Care can provide care for needs like ear infections, physicals, mild to moderate respiratory illnesses, and minor cuts, burns, bruises, sprains, and strains.

### **Emergency care**

"Most importantly, if you feel you are having a medical emergency and need immediate attention, don't delay and proceed to your nearest emergency department or call 911," Carvalho says.

Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula's Emergency department can provide care for symptoms like chest pain lasting more than 1–2 minutes, difficulty breathing, broken bones and large wounds or cuts, moderate and severe pain in the stomach, severe headaches, and new neurological symptoms like numbness, tinging, slurred speech, and fainting.

"Anything that is life-threatening should be seen in the emergency department," Carvalho says. "For medical emergencies like a possible heart attack or stroke, delays in treatment can worsen the outcome, so call 911 or go to the nearest emergency department right away."

"Think of your primary care doctor as your personal health advisor who knows your health history, family history, risks for disease, current health conditions, medications, and health goals." — Dr. Mark Carvalho



# Sober Grad rummage sale returns

By MARY SCHLEY

 ${}^{{}^{\star}}T_{{}^{{}^{\prime}}{}^{{}^{\prime}}}T_{{}^{{}^{\prime}}{}^{{}^{\prime}}}$  The most amazing one-day rummage sale that supports local youth programs is back," announced JC Myers, former Carmel High School parent and organizer of its annual Sober Grad Night, and a member of the Carmel Residents Association's board of directors. The CRA has resurrected the sale, which will be held April 27 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in a new location — the south lot at Sunset Center at San Carlos and 10th in Carmel.



Carmel High students get to spend their grad night at the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk thanks to funds raised in a rummage sale.

"I was an organizer of the Sober Grad sale for six years and was blown away by the community support by volunteering, donating gently used goods, and then shopping the day of," Myers said. "Covid stalled the annual sale at CHS, and thankfully the district stepped in to fund a significant portion of Sober Grad Night."

### Safe party

The annual event gives graduating seniors a full night and early morning of activities and fun, all with the idea of keep-

ing them sober and off the roads during such a celebratory time. It used to be held on campus, but for the last few years the graduating class has taken over the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk. Doing so costs quite a bit of money, though, and the rummage sale is a key fundraiser for the effort.

"The Carmel Residents Association has been a longtime supporter of local youth programs, and when I brought the idea to the board of bringing back the

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### PLANTS FOR THE BIRDS AND THE BEES

'A vibrant

flourishing

ecosystem with

native plants'

By MARY SCHLEY

NATIVE PLANTS don't need much water to thrive, are better at warding off pests, and provide habitat for birds and insects. For all those reasons and more, the Carmel-by-the-Sea Garden Club is honoring Native Plant Month — a designation created by Congress three years ago and recognized by governors' proclamations in

48 states — by continuing its efforts to restore habitat and encouraging others to do the same.

"Native plants are critical to the survival of wildlife and pollinators, which rely on specific species as food sources," Cass Antle, president of the local club, said. "The prolif-

eration of non-native plants is a factor in the rapid decline of pollinators and represents a threat to agriculture and crop productivity."

Carmel by-the-Sea Garden Club members routinely travel to Washington, D.C., to demonstrate support for legislation like the Growing Climate Solutions Act, the Break Free from Plastics Act, the Recovering America's Wildlife Act, the Save Our Seas Act — and the designation of Native Plant Month for all 50 states, according to

### A plant for you

Locally, the club's conservation chair, Lolly Menzies, and member Chris Johnson presented a native plant and a brand-new shovel to U.S. Rep. Jimmy Panetta outside his office in the Monterey Courthouse a

> couple of weeks ago in honor of the April designation.

> Menzies said the club seeks to inform people about what they can do to support conservation, restoration and appreciation of plants in their own communities. Here, club members have spearheaded the extensive restoration efforts in the North Dunes of Carmel Beach, and Menzies pointed to the importance of

ripping out invasive plants, like the ubiquitous ice plant, cleaning up garbage, and helping native species to thrive.

'The site was once covered with ice plant and debris and is now a vibrant ecosystem, with flourishing native plants providing habitat for bees and other beneficial insects, birds and various wildlife,"

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Construction workers installed a light tower on an outcropping above and next to the slip out, which allowed them to work overnight for the first time Wednesday. Work will be done in two 12-hour shifts per day, Caltrans said.

Democratic Congressman Jimmy Panetta told The Pine Cone that his office is helping to get Caltrans reimbursed for at least part of the roughly \$27 million road repair.

"As Caltrans continues to do an exceptional job in its responsibilities and repair of the Rocky Creek slip-out and other parts of Highway 1, we continue to coordinate with them and the U.S. Department of Transportation to try to get reimbursement through the Federal Highway Administration Emergency Relief fund," Panetta explained.

### **Businesses struggling**

Reopening Highway 1 to the public can't come soon enough for South Coast business owners.

Kirk Gafill, general manager of Nepenthe restaurant and president of the Big Sur Chamber of Commerce, said that shops and restaurants are struggling.

"Businesses are suffering enormous economic damage as are their employees in this period, and there is limited government aid available unless an emergency disaster declaration is made for the county, which would then allow for additional state or federal disaster assistance," Gafill told The Pine Cone. "It remains to be determined whether this event will qualify for a disaster declaration."

Businesses are trying to determine how best to meet the challenges of being closed to Big Sur visitors while also retaining their employees.

"Some are operating on a limited basis, or as normal, albeit with far fewer guests, and others, such as Nepenthe, have temporarily suspended guest operations," Gafill explained. "Those plans are being re-evaluated on a daily basis and subject to change as new information becomes available on when we can expect the highway to reopen to public access."

### Loans possible

Panetta said that the Small Business Administration "has certain programs and loans that are financed through lenders that can be of assistance during these types of tough times. As with most federal agencies, my office will continue to assist constituents who need help navigating the bureaucracy."

Meanwhile, Gafill said Thursday that Nepenthe would reopen "for daily lunch and dinner service on April 24 for local residents" only. Once Caltrans opens Highway 1 to the public on May 27, the iconic Big Sur restaurant would reopen for all diners.

From now until April 25, Esalen Institute is advertising a "Locals Bathing" promotion, in which Big Sur residents can get a daily five-hour pass to its famous hot springs and pool, plus a meal, for a mere \$30 per person.

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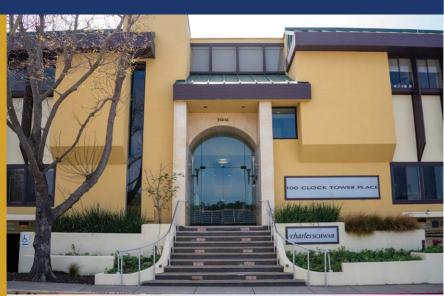
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Dr. Pilkington earned his board certification in Dermatology from the American Board of Dermatology in 1995 and has successfully maintained his certification, with recertification in 2005 and 2015. He is a fellow of the American Academy of Dermatology, a member of the California Medical Association, and a member and past president of the Merced-Mariposa County Medical Society.

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# Former Cottage spot to be overhauled

By MARY SCHLEY

THE LINCOLN Street building that was the longtime location of the Cottage restaurant until it caught fire on Easter Sunday last year will be substantially remodeled — and will no longer contain an eatery — according to drawings submitted to Carmel's planning and building department by a Watsonville architect working for the complex's owner, Patrice Pastor. He had purchased the three-building property a few months before the fire, which originated in the restaurant's kitchen, for \$2.6 million.

Brian Spector, principal architect of Spector Corbett Architects, indicated on the plans filed with the city March 20 that the project calls for renovating the build-



PHOTO/MARY SCHLEY

Smoke poured from the roof of the Lincoln Street building housing the Cottage restaurant during a fire on Easter in 2023.

ings situated around a central t-shaped courtyard on the small parcel on the west side of Lincoln south of Ocean. Facing the street, the southernmost building that contained the restaurant and an upstairs apartment will be converted to retail space on the ground floor, while the apartment — which was damaged by smoke, water

and other firefighting measures — will be overhauled, including its rooftop deck.

The one-story building to the north that contains a shop and gallery will see some sprucing up, and the two-story structure behind it will be converted from studio apartments and ground-floor offices into two two-bedroom, two-story apartments with balconies, according to the plans. The project does not call for any additional square footage or height and is undergoing review by the planning department's staff, principal planner Marnie Waffle said.

### Other projects

While Pastor has left untouched many of the properties he's purchased in Carmel over the past several years or has made only minor improvements to them,

he's also embarked on a few high-profile proposals that have long been in the works.

He and his design team participated in numerous hearings on his Ulrika Plaza project proposed for The Pit at Dolores and Fifth and finally received approval from the planning commission last August for a mixed-use development with underground parking, ground-floor retail space and apartments, and upstairs apartments built in a couple of different styles. According to Waffle, the city is waiting for submittal of the building permit

for that project. Pastor has said he does not want to proceed with it until he gets approval for his other development a few blocks away on the east side of Dolores south of Seventh.

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# **Pastor puts Scenic** house on market

By MARY SCHLEY

WHILE HE generally holds onto properties he purchases, Monaco businessman Patrice Pastor has listed his Scenic Road home and its adjacent swimming pool and guesthouse for sale for \$30 million — but he said the listing might not be live for long.

"I am making a quick attempt to sell the house to allow me to buy another, but only over a very short period," he said Thursday. "Priority is given to a long-term rental principle — no stress. The quality of the buyer or the tenant will obviously be a determining factor."

He purchased three adjacent houses on the blufftop drive south of Ninth Avenue over a three-year period: former Oakland A's co-owner Steve Schott and wife Patricia's residence for \$9 million in June 2015, Ronald and Carolyn Corradini's house for \$5.25 million in September 2016, and Claire Spencer's home for \$6.2 million in 2018. Pastor preserved the Schott house, which was designed by architect Eric Miller in 2003 and completed several years



Patrice Pastor's Scenic Road house is for sale — but he'll take it off the market if he can find a long-term renter.

later, but demolished Spencer's home to make way for a covered pool and guesthouse in late 2021.

After earlier iterations of plans that included tearing down two of the three houses, replacing them with a new home and connecting it to the remaining house via an underground tunnel were panned by the Carmel Planning

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### SUSAN MARCHANT BRITTON

Susan Marchant Britton, an award-winning interior designer and lifelong supporter of all things art, died peacefully of cancer in her Carmel Valley home on April 6, 2024. She was 82.

Mrs. Britton was bright, classy, and always polite. She was a woman who exemplified the elegance of years gone by. Born October 22, 1941, she grew up in St. Paul, MN. After attending the University of Minnesota, she felt drawn to the energy and fast pace of cities. In New York, she met her future husband while she was working as a writer on "The David Susskind Show." Donald Britton, a Broadway actor, was a guest on the show.

They were married nearly 58 years, until Donald died in 2022. Donald and Susan found joy in the simple act of being together. They shared a wicked, dry sense of humor, a trait they passed on to their two children.

Mrs. Britton was also a part of the corporate world. She worked in community affairs at CNA Insurance where she launched a program to help inner city children in Chicago become interested in math by holding competitions, which she named MathCounts. It is now a national competition.

When the Brittons moved to the Monterey Peninsula in 1984, she jumped into the world of the Monterey Symphony, becoming a board member. Frequently she hosted guest musicians from out of town at her home. Later she also became a champion of First Night Monterey, serving on its board. She was also involved in every capacity at All Saints' Church in Carmel.

At their best when they combined forces, the Brittons owned Britton Designs in Carmel Valley village. She had the creativity and vision needed to design homes and he had the gift of bringing those designs to life.

A fabulous classical pianist in her younger days, Mrs. Britton had a few talents that were as unique as she was. She could write upside down and backwards in cursive. And, no matter the attire, she never walked past a good climbing tree without climbing

Mrs. Britton is missed by her family and many friends. She is survived by her two children, Eve Marchant Britton of Glastonbury, CT, and Christopher Robison Britton and his wife Krista, and their two children, Kendall, 18, and Grady, 14, of McLean, VA; her sister, Mollie Hedges of Carmel; her best friend, Jackie Lynch of Carmel Valley; a niece, Laurel Lembo of Pebble Beach, and numerous nieces and nephews across the country.

The excellence of the in-home hospice care, provided by the VNA, combined with wonderful caregivers made a huge difference in her quality of life.

A memorial service, featuring some of Susan's favorite pieces will begin at 3 p.m. June 15, 2024, at All Saints' Church, Ninth and Dolores, Carmel.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that a donation be made to The Central Coast VNA & Hospice, 5 Lower Ragsdale Road, Monterey, CA 93942, All Saints' Church in Carmel or Monterey Symphony. The Carmel Pine Cone April 19, 2024



# Frank Olson

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Frank Albert Olson, 91, of Palm Beach, FL, passed away on April 10, 2024. He was born on July 19, 1932, in San Francisco, CA.

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Mr. Olson's quick wit, brilliance in business, charm and drive, and the support of his loving wife Sarah, saw Mr. Olson rise from being raised by his struggling

single Mother Edith in San Francisco, to the heights of corporate America.

Frank Olson served as Chairman and CEO of his beloved Hertz Corporation which, through his leadership, expanded to become the global leader in Rent-a-Car. Mr. Olson also served as CEO of United Airlines in the '80s, successfully defending the company against a hostile takeover bid. He proudly served on the Boards of Directors of various prominent companies and institutions including Becton Dickenson, Franklin Templeton, Hess Corporation and United Airlines.

Mr. Olson served in the U.S. Army at Fort Ord, CA. as a reservist in his mid 20s.

A devout Catholic, Mr. Olson was inducted into the Knights of Malta and was a supporter of many important charities, including Save the Children, the Boy Scouts of America and various Catholic charities.

An avid golfer, Mr. Olson was a member of prestigious golf clubs including Pine Valley, Cyprus Point, Seminole, The Royal and Ancient Golf Club and many others. He had five holes in one. He played in the Hawaiian Open Pro-Am as well as the Pebble Beach Pro-Am in multiple years.

A memorial service will be held for Mr. Olson at a date to be announced.

Rest in peace, Frank. Your legacy and contributions will always be remembered.



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### Jacquelyn Charlotte Cerchi September 21, 1931 – April 6, 2024



Jacquelyn "Jackie" Cerchi, a long-time resident of Monterey, passed away peacefully on April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the age of 92. She was born in Herrin, IL and raised in St. Louis, MO, where she was preceded in death by her parents, Mary (Re) Oldani and George H. Oldani. She moved to Monterey after marrying the love of her life, Joseph E. Cerchi, in 1955.

Although Joe passed in 2009, Jackie continued to share his legacy in the community with others. Both Jackie and Joe were avid volunteers and belonged to various clubs and organizations in the community, especially those that celebrated their Italian heritage. Jackie was an active participant and volunteer throughout her life in organizations such as the Sons of Italy, Italian Catholic Federation, Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Festa Italia, Italian Heritage Society, Westland House, and the Sally Griffin Senior Center.

Not only did Jackie and Joe devote their time to volunteer work, they did this while having jobs that supported the community as well. Jackie had a long career working in and managing various school cafeterias in the Monterey area, retiring as the

Cafeteria Manager at Monterey High School. Joe retired as a Captain for the Monterey Fire Department. They were both devoted parishioners to San Carlos Church and loved to attend events as long-time members of the Moose Lodge.

Besides her parents and her beloved husband of nearly 55 years, Jackie is preceded in death by her sister, Josephine Griffanti (and her husband John); her niece, Joanna Parsons; and her grandson, Nicholas Ono.

Jackie is survived by her three children, Marie Della Maggiore of Monterey, CA, Joseph M. Cerchi (and his wife Tammy) of Bismark, MO, and Patricia Cerchi-Boesch (and her husband Mike) of Tustin, CA; her grandchildren, Kellye Hart (and her husband Michael), Kenneth Cerchi, Anthony Lucido, and Gabriel Lucido (and his wife Tanya); her beloved great-grandchildren, June Lucido, Madison Hart, and Margot Lucido; her nieces, Maria McBride and Angela Drees; and her nephew, John Griffanti (and his wife Erica); her sister-in-law, Betty Ann Russo (and her husband Anthony); many other nieces and nephews from Joe's side of the family, great nieces and nephews and great-great nieces and nephews from both sides as well.

Jackie's family would like to thank her many physicians and medical providers that were instrumental in her well-being and express their sincere appreciation for the care and support received from Key Home Health caregivers, Hospice of the Central Coast nurses and providers, and especially, the staff and caregivers of Del Monte Village Care Facility in Pacific Grove. We also thank her many friends and relatives that stepped up to help care for Jackie when needed, especially the last couple of years.

The family will have a small, private viewing and burial. Family, friends, and well wishers will be welcomed to join the family for a Celebration of Life that will be announced at a later date.

Please visit www.thepauln ortrary.com to sign Jackie's guest book and to leave messages for the family.

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# Don't want to get bit? Seek dog's permission before petting.

By KELLY NIX

An OFFICIAL with a Monterey County animal shelter said last week that the agency investigates a surprising 300 dog bites in the county every year.

As part of National Dog Bite Prevention Week, Cindy Burnham with Hitchcock Road Animal Services in Salinas last week offered tips to avoid being bitten.

"We see about 300 bite investigations annually that are reported to us, either through the hospitals or through victims who get bit," Burnham said.

The shelter, operated by Monterey County and the City of Salinas, first investigates whether an offending dog has been vaccinated and the severity of a person's bite.

It will also quarantine the animal for 10 days, a requirement when dogs bite humans. In some instances, owners are allowed to quarantine their pets at home.

Children probably make up more than 50 percent of those who are bitten, said Burnham, who added that the agency sees a spike in cases in the summertime when kids aren't in school.

"Most dogs are not OK with ears and tails being pulled, and being climbed on,

and those are a lot of situations where we see dog bites," she said.

Though tips on preventing bites may seem obvious to most adults, Burnham advised avoiding petting dogs who are sleeping, eating, playing with toys, barking or growling.

She said to ask a dog owner if you can pet their animal, and "get permission" from a pooch by letting it sniff a closed hand before petting it.

### Wagging tails

"A wagging tail does not mean 'friendly' a lot of the times," Burnham said. "It can be an alert."

While dog owners are ultimately responsible for "making sure their pets are not in situations to bite," Burnham also said that any dog can bite if "put in the wrong situation." Owners should always secure their animals and not leave children alone with dogs, even family pets. Always use a leash while walking, and being cautious when approaching other people's dogs, she said.

"It's not that they're all bad dogs," Burnham said of those that bite, "a lot of times humans don't read the signs of a dog saying, 'I'm not comfortable with this."

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# Beverly Ann Borgman

October 11, 1932 - March 20, 2024

Beverly Ann Borgman, a longtime resident of the Monterey Peninsula, passed away in Moss Landing on March, 20, 2024. In her final days she was with her children Patricia, Peggy, and David, as well as her granddaughter Samaya. Beverly was born in a home hospital in Los Angeles, California in 1932, to Ruby Nellie Porter and Erle Huntington Porter. Her family lived in Lincoln Heights and she attended Lincoln High School. Her journalism career began as editor of the school paper. After graduation in 1951, Beverly married Ronal Borgman. When he was drafted in 1952 and stationed at Fort Ord, the couple moved to Monterey. Beverly worked for the Monterey Herald until their return to Los Angeles.



First daughter Patricia was born in 1959, followed by Peggy in 1960 and David in 1962. In 1967 the Borgman family moved to a new home in Walnut Creek, California. Beverly was a devoted and loving mom who encouraged her children in their creative endeavors even as she pursued her own, which included writing, painting, and gardening. Thanks to her support, Peggy and Patty became lifelong painters, and David a professional musician who recorded and toured with the classic rock band BOSTON. Beverly became a successful artist, selling her work at New Masters Gallery in Concord and later, galleries in Carmel. She also went back to school, attending Diablo Valley College. She received her Associates Degree, focusing on writing.

Her career in journalism took off at the Contra Costa Times in Walnut Creek, where she wrote feature stories and ultimately became a popular weekly columnist. She won a national newspaper award for a groundbreaking series she wrote on cosmetic surgery. Her observational humor reminded many of Erma Bombeck — who she had the pleasure of interviewing as part of her feature reporting. She ultimately wrote columns that appeared weekly in Coasting, The Carmel Pine Cone, and the Monterey Herald. She also authored a book, Mothering Heights, a collection of her essays.

Beverly's marriage ended in 1985, and she returned to the Monterey Peninsula, where the family had enjoyed yearly vacations. She purchased a home in Carmel in 1986, cultivating a colorful garden at the corner of Valley Way and Carpenter Street that caused passers-by to stop and admire its bright flowers. She was joined there by her beloved partner David Leonard. David spent his career at the Monterey Herald, ultimately becoming its sports editor. Beverly and David created a cozy retreat in the 1932 cottage and spent over three happy decades together. David passed away at age 100.

In 2021, Beverly moved to an independent living apartment at Canterbury Woods in Pacific Grove, where she experienced a renaissance, making new friends and even falling in love again. Bob Richert, a longtime Pacific Grove resident, lit up her final years with his kindness, affection, and shared love of art. Bob passed away in late 2023. Beverly's older siblings, Jack Porter, Bill Porter, and Peggy Richie, preceded her in death. She is survived by daughter Patricia Borgman of Menlo Park, California and her partner Reza Nahvi; daughter Peggy Borgman and husband Mark Coates of Carson City, Nevada; and son David Victor Borgman and wife Tamra Bedford of San Ramon, California; as well as granddaughters Francesca Heras of Tucson, Arizona and Samaya Robinson of Santa Barbara, California.

Beverly's family wishes to acknowledge the wonderful staff of Springfield Villa in Moss Landing, where she spent her final three months, as well as Hospice of the Central Coast. Beverly was a longtime supporter of the Food Bank of Monterey County and a generous donor to myriad charitable causes. The family invites friends to make a donation to Food Bank of Monterey County in her name.



### JÁNOS 'JOHN' 'JANCSI' TOLDI

János "John" "Jancsi" Toldi peacefully completed his Planet Earth journey on January 22, 2024, one day short of his 96<sup>th</sup> birthday. Jancsi's long and winding road began in 1928 in Lörinci, a small village in postfeudal Hungary. From the humblest of beginnings, Jancsi accumulated experiences and accomplishments unimaginable to the tiny boy who stood at the foot of the garden below his family's half of a house along a street with no name, gazing at the "mighty" Zagyva Creek below.

His journey led him from apprenticeship horticulture on Margit Island in Budapest through further studies in greenhouse work as a refugee in Worcester, England, to mastery as the head gardener at Gardiner's Tennis Ranch in Carmel Valley during its floral glory years. The poor, skinny boy who did errands and chore's for the athletes training on the Danube in Budapest became an accomplished athlete in his own right, winning a European crosscountry ski championship and participating in the 1948 London Olympic Games on the Hungarian kayak and sailing teams. Later he was

### GEORGETTE NOPERT TOLDI

Georgette "Gette" Nopert Toldi and Jancsi Toldi were the love of each other's lives. Gette passed away at the age of 94. She was born on January 3, 1924, in Charleroi, Belgium. She came to the United States to join her mother and brother in 1956 in New York City. They eventually came to Carmel where the family opened L'Escargot restaurant in the 1960s. Shortly thereafter Gette met Jancsi and after a short courtship they were married. Gette left her dear husband Jansci on January 12, 2018. That evening at their home in Carmel she told her husband, "I am so sorry to leave you now. Thank you for a beautiful life." They were married 65 years.

a professional ski patroller at Heavenly Valley, Lake Tahoe, a long-term National Ski Patrol member, a pioneer of helicopter skiing, and sailor on Monterey Bay. His culinary skills were legendary, both at feasts for family and friends, and as a chef at L'Escargot restaurant in Carmel. John and his wife Georgette opened La Marmite Restaurant in Carmel, an early and innovative French bistro-style restaurant, at a time when such were not as well known as they are today. John and Georgette also ran the Christiana restaurant in Ketchum, Idaho, where among his faithful customers was the Hemingway family.

Jancsi was also handy with a saw and hammer, personally building out the aforementioned La Marmite restaurant, and doing remodels, fine cabinetry, innovative wood and found-object sculptures, and ornamental carvings. That bundle of skills served him well when he was employed as caretaker by the Bishop family at their Laguna Seca Ranch and Del Mar properties.

Jancsi was a storyteller par excellence, thrilling — and sometimes horrifying — his family and friends with his many accounts of his experiences and adventures in Hungary. Bravely and deftly evading hardship, death, and despair during the Great Depression, World War II, the Hungarian Revolution of 1956, and his escape from Hungary, he eventually found peace in Carmel, California, his Garden of Eden.

Lesser-known masteries included proficiency on the harmonica, and a unique and clever method for peeling tangerines.

His epic life is hard to distill into a simple and brief narrative. His many challenging experiences and keen mind made him an intense and thoughtful man. He provided gracious hospitality — his friends will vividly recall John and Georgette's superb Halloween, Christmas and other parties and gatherings over the years! In his own home in their final years, Jancsi lovingly cared for his father, mother, mother-in-law and ultimately his wife Georgette. His own last years gave him the chance to find his own transcendent peace. Among his final words of advice were to "find that inner little person, and love him."

Jancsi was predeceased by his mother and father, Erzsébet and István Toldi; brothers, László and George Toldi; sister-in-law, Laurette Toldi; and his beloved wife, Georgette (née Nopert).

Jancsi is survived by his sister-in-law, Julia Toldi; nieces and nephews, Cathy (Gene Bush), John (Sonia Stromeyer) and Francis (Leigh) Toldi, Tina (Darryl) Shelton, and Shari (Holt Gordon) Toldi; cousin, Patricia Cornet Troxell; numerous grandnieces; grandnephews; cousins of multiple generations; and many dear and close friends.

The family gives thanks to his care-providers, Janet Kumar and Etelvina Hernandez in his final period, and a very special thank you to Marilyn Fox, John and Georgette's protector, manager, confidante, and truest friend one could ever have the luck to have.

A memorial of Jancsi and Georgette's lives will occur at a later time.



With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of Jennifer Marie Jeska, who left us too soon at the age of 40 on April 14, 2024. Born August 27, 1983, on the picturesque Monterey Peninsula, Jennifer was a beacon of light and joy to all who knew her.

Jennifer attended Pacific Grove Schools and graduated from the University of the Pacific in Stockton, where she earned her degree and proudly was a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority, forming lifelong friendships and a network of support that cherished her boundless energy and kind spirit.

Professionally, Jennifer was dedicated and driven, making significant impacts in her field of Teaching. Her creativity and love for reading were admired by her colleagues and served as an inspiration to many of her students. In 2022 Jennifer shifted her profession and became a Realtor which allowed her more time with her family.

Above all, Jennifer was a devoted wife to her husband, Kasey, and a loving mother to her two beautiful children, Andrew and Hannah. Her family was her world, and she embraced every moment with them with enthusiasm and love.

Jennifer was preceded in death by her father, Charles (Chuck) Lincoln III and her Paternal grandparents Chuck and Dorothy Lincoln and Maternal grandfather Fred D Hardee Sr.

Jennifer is survived by her husband, Kasey; her children, Andrew and Hannah; her mother; Debby Beck and her siblings, Ryan Beck (Maddy), Ashley Beck, Shianne Lincoln and her In law's, Clyde and Patty Jeska, sister in law, Ashley O'Connell (Ryan), Kyle Jeska (Katelyn) and all her Nieces, Nephews, Cousins, Uncles, Aunts and maternal Nana and Nanu Etta and Benny Balistreri that she adored with all her heart and a large community of friends who felt her warmth and generosity.

Jennifer's bright spirit and loving nature will be deeply missed but forever remembered by all who were fortunate enough to know her.

Our family would like to thank the Oncology Staff at CHOMP and Dr. Rubin's office for the care of our Jennifer.

A memorial service to celebrate Jennifer's life will be held on Friday April 26th, 2024 at 1pm at Wellspring Church 141-14th Street, Pacific Grove

Burial to follow at El Carmelo Cemetery.



By KELLY NIX

The Carmel Pine Cone

A DEER advocacy group is partnering with a wildlife specialist to remove deer carcasses from residential properties in Pacific Grove at no charge.

The group, P.G. Deer Awareness, advocates for the protection of the animals through education and outreach. Based on an inventory the group started taking in 2021, the deer population has grown dramatically, from 82 in 2022 to 173 in 2023.

The number of deaths has also increased, which can present a conundrum for homeowners who come across a dead deer on their properties, according to the group, headed by former P.G. Mayor Carmelita Garcia and Renee Nesper.

The nonprofit has come up with a solution, and it won't cost homeowners a cent.

### No charge

In March, it "entered into an agreement with Dan Burton of Urban Trapping Wildlife Control," Garcia told The Pine Cone. "As a result, P.G. Deer Awareness now provides a free service to deceased deer from private properties."

Burton told The Pine Cone that since January, he's removed six deer in the city,

including one Tuesday night. The deer awareness group pays him for the removals. Deer usually die from illnesses, old age or vehicle collisions.

According to Burton, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife will test the deer carcasses for chronic wasting disease, a highly contagious and 100 percent fatal illness that has not yet been detected in California.

"If chronic wasting disease infected our local P.G. deer herds, it would decimate the population," Burton said.

### Wide berth

Meanwhile, Garcia reminded residents that fawning season has arrived and to watch out for the little ones. Protective mothers have been known to charge people in Pacific Grove, so it's important to give the does and their young ones a wide berth.

"Please stay away if you happen to come across them," she said. "If you see a doe standing in the middle of a street, most likely she has a fawn in that general area and is protecting it from intruders."

To have a deer carcass removed from private property in Pacific Grove, call Garcia at (831) 251-8118, or email at cg54@ comcast.net.

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### ROBERT JOSEPH RIGNEY, JR.

Robert Joseph Rigney, Jr. died peacefully at age 90 on April 4, 2024, in Monterey, California. He died after a short illness, having lived with Alzheimer's for several years.

He was born in 1933 to Helen (née Wall) and Robert Joseph Rigney in Chicago, the second of four children (he is predeceased by Rita and Margo and survived by Thomas). From that day on, he held a few things dear: his Chicago roots, the Catholic faith, basketball, and friends and family.



He grew up in Chicago's Oak Park neighborhood, which he never let anyone forget, surrounded by his siblings and a large circle of Irish-American aunts, uncles and cousins.

Bob, or "Fish" as he was known to his school friends, graduated from his beloved Fenwick High School in 1951. As a sharp-elbowed point guard, he helped his basketball team win the Chicago City Championships in his senior year. In 1955, he earned a degree in philosophy from Loyola University in Chicago. In 1956, Bob was drafted into the military and became a naval aviator, mainly flying reconnaissance planes over the Pacific Ocean.

In 1965, Bob left the U.S. Navy and embarked on a nearly four-decade long career as a pilot for Pan American and Delta

Airlines. During a flight to Guatemala, he fell for Pan Am crew member, Hansi de Petra. The two married at the Carmel Mission Basilica in 1970.

Bob and Hansi had their first date on a layover in Honolulu at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel restaurant. For the next 55 years they shared a love for travel, music and even the same birthday. Together they had four children.

The flying life took Bob to many corners of the world, where he collected stories, mementos and lifelong friends. Along the way, he lived in Sausalito, Carmel, Hong Kong, and Berlin, Germany.

While living in Berlin, Bob "flew the corridors" that connected West Berlin and West Germany. He was an enthusiastic ring-leader among the close-knit Pan Am community. He often returned to Kitzbühel, Austria for skiing. On November 9th, 1989, he scaled the Berlin Wall to witness history being made.

In 1992, Bob and his family moved back to Carmel, where he lived ever since. He never went long without a phone call to a friend from Chicago, the Navy, the airlines or anyone he just met.

Bob and Hansi kept traveling through the years. He kept up with Hansi's marathons by organizing their travel all over the globe. He met regularly with his group of former Pan Am pilots in Berlin who liked to call themselves "the Lost Battalion."

He could recite countless poems, limericks, puns, jokes and riddles – many of which were collected in small pocket notebooks.

To his close-knit Fenwick teammates and lifelong friends, he was tough, witty, creative and particularly imaginative when it came to finding ways to participate in unique social occasions. As a real original "wedding crasher," one might have spotted him mingling at the Buick Salesmen of North America convention of 1954, among other events. In general, he operated on a "no ticket" philosophy for attending sporting and other events and tried his best to pass this mindset on to his children.

In Bob's later years, he volunteered as a docent at the Carmel Mission Basilica. He was also a familiar face at the Monterey Sports Center, where he often spent more time gabbing than exercising.

Bob is survived by his wife, Hansi; sons, Robert Finn, Peter and John; daughter, Kathleen Dietrich; and brother, Thomas. He has five grandchildren.

The family wishes to thank Rosa Taufahema for her steadfast caretaking during Bob's final two years.

Bob treasured his friends. One dear friend, Dr. Philip Held, has done remarkable work to study and address the issue of kidney transplant wait-times. Those who wish to honor Bob can make a donation to Waitlist Zero at http://waitlistzero.org/contribute/. Or in keeping with his style, call an old friend to reminisce about the good times.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

# P.G. Chamber president resigns

By KELLY NIX

THE PRESIDENT of the Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce this week suddenly stepped down from the job she's held for a little more than two years, the chamber said Tuesday.

Jenny MacMurdo, 44, who took over the chamber in January 2022, decided to resign this week.

In her place, Christi Metzner, the chamber's director of membership and events, will assume the position of interim president and CEO.

"Ms. MacMurdo's dedication and tireless efforts over the past several years have significantly contributed to the growth and prosperity of the Pacific Grove business community," according to a statement from the P.G. Chamber.

MacMurdo headed the Carmel Chamber

of Commerce before taking the Pacific Grove job after longtime chamber president Moe Ammar retired after 29 years.

### **Good Old Days**

MacMurdo's departure comes at an unfortunate time, considering the city's biggest event of the year, the Good Old Days street fair on May 4-5, is only two

However, the chamber said that Metzner who has been the lead director for Good Old Days — is well suited to fill in until a permanent president is selected.

"Ms. Metzner brings a wealth of experience and a deep commitment to advancing the interests of our members," the chamber said. "Her strategic vision and collaborative approach make her an excellent choice to lead the chamber during this interim

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# **COTTAGE**

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after his father, Pastor and his team have also undergone numerous hearings on the mixed-use development behind the Seventh & Dolores complex.

In the latest hearing held last fall, the Carmel City Council overturned a decision by the historic resources board that would have allowed the relocation of a section of decorative wall on the southern edge of the historic former bank complex — and told him to redesign the project accordingly.

The revised plans filed by architect Jun Sillano March 29 show a "preservation buffer" separating the 7D complex, which includes a small annex building and the

aforementioned concrete wall, from the four buildings proposed for the site.

A building on the lot Pastor owns to the south of the Seventh & Dolores parking lot will be demolished and replaced with a parking garage, ground-floor retail space and upstairs apartments. The new plans are also under review by the planning department, according to Waffle.

### Plants and signs

Meanwhile, the only other active projects involving Pastor's properties are applications for improved landscaping and new signs at the recently opened Carmel Beach Hotel and Spa at San Antonio and 13th, and the finalization of the Mills Act contract he recently obtained for his Frank Lloyd Wright house on Scenic Road, according to the planning department.

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components," including in the areas of water, public access and sensitive habitat, but they had worked closely with the developer to make numerous changes,

Carmel High School

such as reducing the room count from 225 to 206 and making the hotel 85,000 square feet smaller.

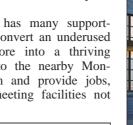
While the hotel has many supporters because it will convert an underused semi-industrial eyesore into a thriving center for visitors to the nearby Monterey Bay Aquarium and provide jobs, tax revenues and meeting facilities not

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This rendering depicts a proposed 206-room resort along Ocean View Boulevard in Pacific Grove where the American Tin Cannery sits. The California Coastal Commission OK'd the project last week.

available elsewhere in Pacific Grove, "staff construction on nearby harbor seals, and

acknowledges this project has been controversial and further acknowledges that all such interested parties' input to date has made for a much improved project," coastal commission Central Coast district manager Kevin Kahn told commissioners at the start of the hearing.

The revised plan also includes a restroom and park which will be open to the public, providing "direct access to a living roof garden space" that will be "available for public use and enjoyment with sweeping Monterey Bay views.'

The project's opponents objected to the removal of 79 trees, the closure of most of Sloat Avenue to the public, the impact of the size of the resort, which would be about 350,000 square feet. The developer will plant 136 native trees and drought-tolerant shrubs and groundcover, including in the rooftop garden.

### Seals

"I'm concerned about harbor seals that live across the street from the American Tin Cannery," said Thom Akeman, a former Monterey Herald reporter who says he has monitored and recorded the numbers of seals at nearby rookeries for two decades. "I believe that the loud noises from the

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Tickets to empty bowls supper are \$20 and 100% of the proceeds benefit The Food Bank for Monterey County. Each dinner guest selects a handmade bowl to take home as a reminder of all the "empty bowls" in the world. Live entertainment provided by the Carmel High Singer Songwriter Guild. Purchase tickets through GoFan or the CHS web store or at Carmel high school.

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### George (AKA King George)

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It is with great sadness that I share the loss of my beloved French Bull Dog. George. He has joined his friends at the Rainbow Bridge. George grew up on Carmel Beach, running with the big dogs, which he loved so much. He lived an exciting young life, serving as a college dorm dog and enjoying a stint with the Boston Red Sox. And his senior years with me in Pacific Grove. He was a little curmudgeon, but those who knew him, understood him, and were very kind to him. I want to thank those persons, and also, a huge Thank You to Candice, his loyal and faithful dog walker and sitter, for all her kindness and gifts she brought our way. She is truly a remarkable person.

God bless all of you!



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excavation and construction, as it's proposed, would drive them away from this area forever.'

Opponents also said the 85,000-square-foot downsizing wasn't enough and that coastal views from the back side of the resort would be blocked. They argued the hotel needs to be smaller.

"The project is too large relative to the context of the surrounding areas," P.G. resident Tony Ciani told commissioners.

### Water concerns

While the resort will be supplied with 18.53 acre-feet of water per year (about 6 million gallons) — the same amount the existing shopping mall is entitled to use several people cited the Peninsula's water shortage as reasons to deny the project. However, Monterey Peninsula Water Management District general manager Dave Stoldt told commissioners that there is plenty of water for the resort, and he mentioned the expansion of a reclamation project that will start providing water in August 2025.

Comstock Development, the project applicant, has said

the resort would employ conservation measures, including offsite laundry services, the use of a rainwater harvesting and graywater systems, and efficient irrigation equipment. Foursome Development Company owns the American Tin Cannery building.

### Will create jobs

Construction worker Omar Huerta with the Western States Regional Council of Carpenters told commissioners that the hotel would "contribute to the overall wealth of the community."

"It will provide jobs, wages and benefits," Huerta said, urging commissioners to approve the permit.

Similarly, Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Jenny MacMurdo, who abruptly left her job this week, also said it would be a big boost for the local

"Today's approval is paramount to our community for a number of reasons you have already heard today," Mac-Murdo said, "including strengthening our local economy, increasing visitors and visitor access to the coast, and providing key redevelopment of a deteriorating property sitting at the front door of Pacific Grove."

Debra Geiler, vice president of entitlements for

Comstock Development, said the resort presents a "unique opportunity" for the city and its residents.

'It transforms an underutilized property at the gateway to Pacific Grove and updates it with a sustainably designed and built project that is both environmentally and economically far superior to the site's current use," Geiler said. "Where once we were only imagining the possibilities, now we are realizing them.'

Geiler told The Pine Cone that the next steps involve creating detailed plans and getting building permits. Construction would begin in about 18 months, she said.

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### **JOHN PEDREY**

John Pedrey, 101, of Monterey, CA passed away Tuesday, April 2, 2024, at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula. John led an incredible and active life until his fall two months ago. He skydived at 98, attended his

> granddaughter Sarah's wedding in Wailea, Maui at 99, rode horses at 100, and enjoyed Monterey Symphony at Sunset Center, Opera San Jose and Smuin Ballet, Carmel-by-the-Sea. He loved sitting on his favorite rock under the cypress tree at Carmel Beach on Ocean Avenue, and adored coastline drives to Big Sur. A true Hoosier college sports fan, he attended Purdue Boilermakers basketball and football games in West Lafayette, Indiana with his long-time friend before moving from Beech Grove to Merrill Gardens, Monterey in

John was born in Indianapolis on June 30, 1922, and was a World War II United States Army Air Corps veteran, discharged in March of 1946. Prior to leaving for the military, he met Rosemary Francis Carter, his beautiful wife of 63 years, at a dance in downtown Indianapolis (Rosemary predeceased John in December 2009). They were married in 1946 at Christ Church Cathedral, Monument Circle. John was a graduate of University of Tennessee and was employed with Aero Drapery and Blind Corporation as a sales manager for 25 years in Indianapolis until 1988.

He is survived by his son, Craig Pedrey; daughter, Cathy Cummings (Glenn), and his grandchildren, Justin, Christopher and Sarah Cummings Williams (Andrew). A memorial service will be held in

Pacific Grove, California, followed by interment at Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis.

Memorial contributions may be made to the World Wildlife Fund, Washington, D.C. or Spay/Neuter Clinic, Indianapolis.

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# Carmel and Stevenson lacrosse teams prep for tough playoff match-ups

A STEVENSON lacrosse player, only a junior, already has an NCAA Division I scholarship waiting for him. A Carmel player, also a junior, ranks No. 4 in California in total assists, No. 1 in the Central Coast Section.

Both schools are barreling toward first-place finishes in their respective Pacific Coast Athletic League divisions, making plans to tangle with the best teams in the CCS in next month's playoffs.

"Our numbers are smaller this season, but from top to bottom, there is no significant drop-off in talent on our

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### By DENNIS TAYLOR

roster. We have 18 guys that we can put on the field with confidence, and it's never been that way before," said Stevenson coach Cooper Kehoe, whose Pirates are 5-0, alone atop the PCAL's toughest division, with three league games remaining.

The Padres, meanwhile, are 8-0 in the PCAL's Mission Division and frontrunners for a CCS "play-in" game, the winner of which will advance to the main bracket. That's a place the Padres have never been.

"We still have important games ahead, but we're really



Jacoby Scattini, a senior, has helped Carmel to a perfect record in the Mission Division as the PCAL's leading scorer. The Padres average nearly 17 goals per game.

looking forward to the opportunity to jump into the playoffs," said Troy Loper, Carmel's first-year head coach.

The Gabilan champion receives an automatic ticket to CCS, while the second-place team will face the Mission Division winner in the play-in game for another CCS berth.

The first CCS-sanctioned lacrosse tournament was played just three years ago, and St. Ignatius has played Sacred Heart Prep in every title game so far.

### **Battle tested**

Stevenson has taken a rugged path toward a fourth-straight playoff appearance, playing multiple topdrawer opponents in non-league action in preparation for what the team hopes will be a deeper playoff run.

The 2021 Pirates lost their firstround game to Bellarmine in the inaugural CCS tournament. Stevenson defeated Junipero Serra in the opening round of the 2022 postseason, then lost in the quarterfinals to Sacred Heart

Prep. Last spring, they clobbered Los Gatos 18-6 in a first-round game, but were eliminated in the quarterfinals again, this time by Bellarmine.

"Our non-league schedule is everything to us. My goal every year is to schedule a balanced but difficult blend of opponents," said Kehoe, a Stevenson alumnus ('07), who became the fourth-leading all-time scorer and fifth in assists at Colorado State University, where he was inducted into the school's Lacrosse Hall of Fame in 2016.

### Ranked non-league foes

Kehoe's team opened the season with a road trip to Colorado, where the Pirates lost to Denver East (currently ranked No. 7 in the state) and Mountain Range (No. 12) before beating Aspen.

They tuned up for Gabilan play with victories over Archbishop Mitty (No. 16 in CCS) and Los Gatos (No. 12) and a loss to Menlo Atherton (No. 14). Other setbacks in a 7-6 overall record came at the hand of Napa-based Justin-Siena (No. 6 in the North Coast Section), Sacramento's Granite Bay (No. 3 in the San Joaquin), and St. Francis in Mountain View (No. 4 in CCS). Still ahead are



Carmel junior Noah Scattini (in white) currently ranks No. 4 in California and No. 1 in the CCS in assists.

Bellarmine (No. 5 in CCS) at 4 p.m. Monday at Pebble Beach and a rematch with Menlo at home on April 27.

### Strong on attack

Stevenson's top talent is on the front line, where the centerpiece is junior Will Bufkin — already committed to play collegiately at Bryant University (Smithfield, R.I.), a top-25-ranked Division I lacrosse school.

"He's a world-class talent, good for a couple of 'wow' moments in every game," Kehoe said of his leading scorer, last year's PCAL Player of the Year. "He's been playing the game so long that his IQ is off the charts, and he's bigger, stronger and faster than he's ever been before. I attribute that to the work he's been putting in to get himself ready for the next level, a mindset that's showing on the field.

Bufkin, known for his physicality, is complemented on attack by Justin Diniz, a 2023 All-Gabilan first-teamer who has been recruited to play next season at Baldwin Wallace University (Berea, Ohio), and Cash Satava (who

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also played on Stevenson's championship water polo team), both seniors.

"Justin is possibly the best all-around athlete on our team with his speed, agility and shiftiness. He's an absolute rock for us offensively," Kehoe said.

Diniz's versatility at attack also complements a talented midfield composed of hard-nosed seniors Brody Biggs and Keegan Charupoom, and a pair of exceptional sophomores, Laird Welch (a long-stick specialist), and second-team 2023 All-Gabilan pick Derek Diniz (Justin's brother), both exceptional in turning defense into offense.

"Our strength this year, compared with other teams we've had here, is our transition game. We've become a pretty lethal team because we're playing faster than we've ever played."



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Stevenson's Justin Diniz (in white) is a quick and elusive scoring threat and will play next year at Baldwin Wallace University in Ohio.

The defensive line includes senior Will Gutierrez and juniors Mitch Peurach and Liam Talinius, and the first-time goal-keeper is senior Gavin McKahnn.

"Gavin was our faceoff guy, but when we needed a goalie, he was the only one who raised his hand," Kehoe said. "He stepped into the cage for the first time in mid-February and we've seen tremendous growth since then, especially in his clearing game."

One more key player, senior Tate Escher, took over the crucial faceoff spot after earning first-team All-Gabilan recognition as a middle last year.

"Tate is the epitome of a student-athlete," Kehoe said of the student body president. "He's such a competitor, willing to play his role and be the best at that role. He's won at least 50 percent of his faceoffs this season, which is all you can ask."

Carmel coach Troy Loper, a Seaside High product (2016), played collegiately at UC Santa Barbara, then Cleveland State, was MVP of the Colorado Collegiate Box Lacrosse League (six-on-six indoors) in 2019, and became a sixth-round draft pick

of the San Diego Seals, a pro team in the National Lacrosse League, in 2020.

### Scattinis lead

His 2024 Padres are big, fast, athletic, physical and savvy, and his best players are attackmen, which partially explains why the team is averaging almost 17 goals per game.

A junior, Noah Scattini, currently is No. 1 in the section (and fourth in the state) with 60 assists, and his brother, senior Jacoby Scattini, leads the Pacific Coast Athletic League with 43 goals.

In fact, the Scattini brothers and Carmel's third attackman, senior

Engeda Galaktos, are the league's top three players in both categories.

"Noah has elite stick skills and is a very good feeder," Loper said. "He's got good



Stevenson junior Will Bufkin, an elite attackman, already has an NCAA Division I scholarship waiting on the East

PHOTO/KERRY BELSER

field vision, a strong IQ for the game, and good spacing and timing.

"Jacoby, his brother, is a bigger dude with a really fast shot — he loves to rip it from the outside," the coach said. "And Engeda is a pretty good dodger who uses his agility to score. He had a seven-goal day the other day against Soquel."

Senior midfielder Bode Stoddard, 6-4 and rugged, wins almost 70 percent of faceoffs for the Padres, leads the team in groundball statistics and plays both offense and defense. Junior Bennett Goldberg, a coachable first-year lacrosse player, is adept at spacing, cutting, and setting picks, which Loper attributes to his experience as a football and basketball player. Enzo Gomez, a vocal senior, might be Carmel's fastest player, with strong dodging skills. And Garrett Sanborn, a senior, might be the most athletic player on the squad and is unafraid of contact, his coach said of the long-stick midfielder.

The defense includes senior Ray McNeill, who usually guards the opponent's best offensive threat thanks to strong footwork, and juniors Tallinn Loberg and Maarten Stomp, another competitive athlete who also played football.

"Tallinn is a really hungry player — always shows up early, looking for extra reps to improve his skills," the coach said.

"He's become one of our best defenders and also good at transition, which makes him a threat on offense."

The goalkeeper, Kanan Seeklander, is a freshman who dazzled the coaching staff when they initially asked him to try the position

"First time we threw him in there, we could see he was a natural — good at tracking the ball, good positioning, good at making saves," Loper said. "Kanan's made some monster saves for us, keeping us in a lot of games."

And a sophomore, Liam Riddolis, has tallied 14 goals as a reserve midfielder to become the Padres' go-to substitute.

### Strong team chemistry

"What I like is that a lot of these guys are good friends off the field and hang out together, so we've got good camaraderie out there. We don't see anybody beefing with anyone else," Loper said.

Carmel's 9-3 overall record includes a pair of losses to Palma, a Gabilan team that might be the Padres' opponent in the play-in game — a matchup Loper likes: The last meeting between the two was a 16-15 overtime victory for the Chieftains.

Carmel's remaining Mission Division games are April 25 against Monterey and April 30 at Aptos.

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By Susana DeFatima Silva, MA, Co-Founder/Proprietor/Managing Partner Test of Tyme, LLC, #1022805 and Wendy Brickman, MA/MBA, Brickman Marketing

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# **Editorial**

# Supremes again to the rescue

MORTGAGE RATES jumped again this week to a national average of 7.1 percent for a 30-year fixed, according to the Wall Street Journal. No coincidence, then, that Journal also said home sales in March slumped 4.3 percent from the month before — this at a time when people are supposed to be in the mood to buy, thanks to warmer weather and the approaching summer moving season.

The national housing affordability crisis, 2 years old, has to be very discouraging for people in their 30s and 40s with good jobs who thought they'd have a place to call their own by now, especially after more than a decade when super-low interest rates made it easy for many to become homeowners. Instead, today's blue-collar families and even young professionals find themselves thwarted, not only by interest rates, but because housing prices are still so high. Add in the price of groceries and gasoline, and it's no wonder polls show so many people are discouraged about the overall economy.

As usual, things are worse on all counts here in California, though there are a few bright spots. One is the story on our front page about 143 apartments (80 percent market rate, 20 percent low income) proposed for the former Carmel Convalescent Hospital complex on Valley Way just outside the city limits. In the context of the development rules that prevailed in this state for the last 50 years, that seems like an unthinkably high number of units, but we welcome them for the simple reason that they are so badly needed. More construction will help bring housing prices down, mitigating the impact of high mortgage rates.

But another development with even more potential to lower the cost of new construction in this state is a decision from the U.S. Supreme Court Friday limiting the size of building permit fees. In California, cities and counties have used such fees to raise revenues constrained by Prop 13 and other limits on their taxing authority.

The Supreme Court case, Sheetz v. El Dorado County, involves a retired couple who were told they'd have to pay a \$23,420 "traffic impact fee" before they could get a permit to build a "modest, prefabricated house" on their lot in a rural part of El Dorado County. The amount was based on a fee schedule approved by the county for lots like the one owned by George Sheetz and his wife and not on an actual assessment of the cost of traffic impacts likely to be caused by the use of their home.

The difference is critical because a 1989 Supreme Court decision, Nollan v. California Coastal Commission, prohibited the government from requiring a property owner to dedicate a beach access easement in exchange for a building permit unless it could be shown that whatever the property owner proposed to build would cause a loss of public beach access that could be mitigated by the easement. Unless there was a direct connection, or nexus, between the loss of access and the easement, the Supreme Court said, imposing such a permit requirement amounted to extortion.

Before the Nollan decision, the coastal commission routinely required property owners to create public access easements across their land in exchange for permits; after Nollan, they stopped.

Officials in El Dorado County thought traffic impact fees approved by the board of supervisors were exempt from the nexus test required by Nollan because they applied generally instead of being imposed on a case-bycase basis, but Sheetz argued it was unconstitutional to make him pay the fee without an "individualized determination that the amount was necessary to offset traffic congestion attributable to his specific development." Last week, a unanimous Supreme Court agreed with Sheetz.

The decision doesn't mean the end of traffic impact and other fees, but it does mean they'll have to be based on the actual costs of mitigating impacts of specific building projects, not on some rough idea of what they might be. Some projects will have to pay higher fees, but modest projects — such as small houses on existing lots served by existing roads — will surely pay less. Maybe the government will even have to take into account the other fees, such as property taxes, sales taxes and excise taxes, the permit applicants will pay to build and maintain their share of the roads.

Anything that helps reduce the sky-high cost of new construction will nelp.

...... Paul Miller (paul@carmelpinecone.com)

### **BEST of BATES**



"I think we're at the corner of 'No Parking' and 'No parking."

# Letters to the Editor

The Pine Cone encourages submission of letters which address issues of public importance. Letters cannot exceed 350 words, and must include the author's name and home town. We reserve the right to determine which letters are suitable for publication and to edit for length and clarity.

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# Housing opportunity Dear Editor,

One of the things that has deeply troubled me about the public dialogue over Carmel's housing element is the fact that no one other than former Congressman Sam Farr and councilmember Jeff Baron, both speaking at recent hearings, has described the process of attempting to comply with the state-imposed housing numbers as an opportunity. But that's exactly what it is.

On the block of Camino Real where my husband and I have now lived for approaching four decades, there are 15 homes. Only three of those homes are occupied by full-time residents; 12 of them are second homes, most of which stand empty much of the year. If we continue in this direction, Carmel will become a wealthy enclave of vacation homes like the Hamptons or Martha's Vineyard, and the town's vitality will be lost.

We need to see this requirement to create

moderate- and low-income housing as an opportunity to bring the town back to life, an opportunity to bring working families back to this town and restore its vibrancy. I'm always disappointed when those who claim to honor Carmel's past focus on the "storybook cottages." The cottages are charming, sure, but when my husband was growing up here and attending Sunset School and Carmel High School, many of those cottages were filled with families which participated fully in the life of the town. The council and city staff worked hard to produce the new Housing Element. Now we need to stop complaining and work together to make it happen.

Chris Campbell, Carmel

# 'State is being a bully' Dear Editor,

I am very sad to read about the suggestion that the parking at Sunset Center should be taken over for low-cost housing. There is not that much parking in Carmel as it is, and elimination of this one good-size lot would be devastating to our town.

Lack of parking would eliminate much of the ability of visitors to our community to shop, eat, drink, etc. If visitors cannot find parking, they won't be coming, and our local businesses would not be able to remain open.

The state is being a bully, as evidenced by action taken in other communities in the state as you pointed out in your article. I may be being cynical, but it seems as if this housing plan is set up with a view to further the political ambitions of the governor

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# It would make for one heck of a novel, except it's all true

By CARLIN JARDINE

IN 1961, at a ball in their honor, the jazz-loving king of Thailand and his queen were being entertained at the Palace Hotel in Gstaad, Switzerland, by the legendary Louis Armstrong and his band, who were on a goodwill tour. The wife of a band member brought her best friend, Flo

While she was dancing, Snyder moved close to the royal couple. On a turn, she

looked over her shoulder at the king and

queen, tripped on her partner's foot, and

tumbled to the floor. She looked up to see

Queen Sirikit, just a few feet away, smiling

That was one of few missteps in Sny-

der's remarkable career path from the

front office of the Los Angeles Dodgers

to major positions in state government

in Sacramento, to a novel's worth of life

experiences and civic duty along the way.

was born in Providence, R.I., to Armenian

emigrant parents who moved to Los Ange-

les during her early childhood. She gradu-

ated from USC's school of journalism. The

dean told her, "You're an excellent writer,

but no newspaper is going to hire a young

girl just out of college." Hedging her bets,

she completed a second degree in business

Monumental move

Walter O'Malley — to the vitriolic rage

of New York fans - moved his team to

the West Coast. Snyder had never seen a

professional baseball game, but knew such

a move had to be a monumental under-

taking and that people coming from New

York would know little about living in Los

Angeles. Having grown up there, she knew

"The Dodgers office

must have tired of me

pounding on their door

every day, because I

became their first hire on

source of information,

pointing staff and players

to schools, housing, munic-

ipal and medical offices.

She directed them to shop-

ping, the best restaurants, and, of course, Disneyland.

She soon became the prin-

cipal assistant to Red Pat-

terson, the Dodgers' head

of public relations and pro-

motions — the same job

he'd done in his previous

position with the vaunted

said. "I learned more about

marketing from him than I

"He was a genius," she

N.Y. Yankees.

She was an invaluable

the West Coast," she said.

a great deal.

In 1958, the Brooklyn Dodgers' owner,

Carmel resident Flo Thomasian Snyder

gently at her.

**Great Lives** 

ever could have from a university degree or a major ad agency."

Snyder was thrilled to accompany the team to Dodgertown in Vero Beach, Fla., for spring training. Upon arrival, she picked up her key and hurried to her room to get dressed for the first night's dinner and festivities.

"I opened the door, rushed into the room and was stunned to see 6-foot-2 Stan Wil-

liams standing there with nothing but a towel around him. We were both shocked. We stood there, frozen. He said, 'I knew I was getting a roommate, but this is better than I expected." That was

her introduction to the pranksterism that permeated the Dodgers organization.

### Joltin' Joe

Working in the front office distanced her from the team's superstars and visiting celebrities, but in Dodgertown, that distance vanished. On a side trip to New York, her boss was scheduled to meet with reporters at friend Toots Shore's celebrity-filled saloon and restaurant. Snyder begged to go along. Patterson acquiesced but warned her to keep quiet.

She found herself sitting across from the storied saloonkeeper and overwhelmed by famous faces - especially the tall, strikingly handsome Joe DiMaggio, who sat down and joined the conversation. "I said, 'I can't believe I'm sitting here with Toots Shore and Joe DiMaggio. No one's going to believe me.' 'Well, call 'em up and tell 'em,' Toots said, and had a phone brought to the table. I called my father, my sister, my two closest friends and — of course no one was home."

The people of L.A. went wild over the Dodgers even though we came in next-tolast our first season in 1958," said Snyder. "They became ecstatic in 1959 when we took the pennant and the World Series."

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Although she's well-known for her stint with the L.A. Dodgers — and has written a book on the subject — Flo Snyder also had a remarkable career in public service.

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

# Simple needs, complex mosaics

LIFE, LIKE much of her art, is assembled moment by moment, one tiny piece at a time, by Amanda Burkman. She was 32 years old in September 2010, riding her bicycle somewhere between Oregon and Monterey when she decided to give unfettered freedom a try.

"I don't know how long I have nobody does," said the Monterey multimedia artist ("Rusti" to family and friends) whose lifelong battle with epilepsy is just one reason for her liberated outlook. "I'm not afraid of death, but that's what put me in this state of mind: Living a life of purpose is the most important thing to me.

"Sometimes people try to get in my

head because they feel like I'm not sav-

ing for retirement or whatever," she said.

"But I see them working their asses off so

they can have material things, and they

don't seem fulfilled or happy. They haven't

for Burkman, who had been hospitalized

earlier that same year after an epileptic sei-

zure (rarely life-threatening) resulted in a

Her position as general manager of a

Monterey employment agency had enabled

her to pay off that \$10,000 debt, amassed

because her preexisting condition had pre-

vented her from purchasing medical

'I could just be free'

was on the road. "My boss said, 'Oh, we

miscalculated: You don't have any vaca-

tion pay coming.' So, I'm in the middle

of this bike tour, camping the whole way,

with absolutely no money," Burkman

my bicycle, loaded with my art gear,

and people started buying stuff I'd been

'But I was pulling a baby trailer behind

Amanda 'Rusti' Burkman uses recycled paint chips to create colorfully textured portraits and landscapes in her Monterey studio, a

But, she said, she got a call while she

That solo bicycle tour was a celebration

found their internal peace.'

collapsed lung.

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explained.

Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

painting along the way. That planted the seed. Maybe I could just be free and survive on my art.'

Nine months later, on June 1, 2011, Burkman quit the last full-time job she's held and turned her focus exclusively on creating art.

### 'The magic happened'

"As soon as I did that, magic happened opportunities just presented themselves left and right," she said.

Wealth and material things have never been a pursuit for Burkman, who frequently bartered for her needs in those early days, preferring to trade her art rather

than attach a price tag to it.

A friend asked her to design a back tattoo, then treated her to a trip to Peru, including Machu Picchu. She was recruited in 2011-12 to paint a mural at Cha-

misal Tennis & Fitness Club in exchange for room and board.

"After that, I lived with somebody who needed their two-story house painted. As long as I had a warm bed and food to eat, I was happy," said Burkman, who lived on rice, tuna and the occasional chowder sample from Fisherman's Wharf.

More than a decade later, she happily lives the same bohemian hand-to-mouth lifestyle, subsisting as a housesitter and pet sitter, as well as on opportunities created by her artistic abilities.

She was the youngest and most adventurous of four siblings (two older brothers and her identical twin, Amy) raised in King City — a tomboy, a loner and a bit of a wild child.

### My parents had no idea

"My parents had no idea about this, but I'd ride my bike out to Bitterwater Road and lay out naked with my flute, all alone in nature," she said. "Most of my friends were foreign exchange students. My best friend in fourth grade was a Vietnamese girl who didn't speak English. I loved people from other cultures.'

After graduating from King City High, she studied nursing, first at

Hartnell College, then at Sacramento City College, dabbling in art for pleasure.

At 18, Burkman painted a portrait of a favorite musician, Mark Kozelek — a piece she stored in a closet for five years until she learned that the folkrocker and his band, Red House Painters, had booked a gig in San Francisco.

### Sold out, bummed out

"I put the painting in the car. My sister and I drive up there, find out the concert is sold out, and we're standing in front of the Great American Music Hall, feeling completely bummed out," she remembered.

"I look up at two guys who are walking up, and I say, 'Mark?'"

There was Burkman's favorite musician. He added the twins to his guest list, led them backstage and

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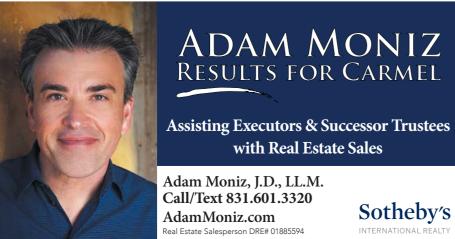


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## LETTERS From page 26A

of our state. I don't think the planners or our city council should go along with it.

Elaine Ewen, Carmel

### Remedy is voting Dear Editor,

The state's housing mandates are draconian, with no accommodation for special needs of individual cities. But as your editorial eloquently points out, the alternative is worse.

Kudos to the good judgment of the city council sparing us the fate of Beverly Hills and Santa Monica.

Special mention for Marnie Waffle for how hard she has worked in the past year meeting the deadline while adroitly managing her many other responsibilities under difficult circumstances.

The best remedy for this law may be choosing wisely when voting. There is still time.

Tom Susko, Carmel

### Helicopters in Big Sur Dear Editor,

A few clarifications regarding helicopter use in Big Sur. The Federal Aviation Regulations give much more leeway to a helicopter's "minimum safe altitude" than the



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# **HOMES**

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affordable or transitional housing unless they can make one of five possible findings for denial: the jurisdiction already meets the state's mandated number of housing units, the project would have adverse impacts on health and safety that can't be mitigated, it would violate federal or state laws, it's on or adjacent to farmland, or it's inconsistent with zoning and land use designations.

That last finding, however, can't be made if the city or county has failed to adopt a housing element that complies with state law, so if none of the other four findings can be made, the government must approve the project.

Housing plans from every city and county in the state were supposed to be submitted and found "in substantial compliance" with state law, but many local governments, including Monterey County — which has jurisdiction over the Carmel Convalescent property — missed their April 15 deadline. Carmel, Marina, Seaside and Salinas are in the clear, according to Carmel assistant city administrator Brandon Swanson, but Del Rey Oaks, Pacific Grove, Monterey and the county are not.

"Monterey County is really in trouble," Swanson said Tuesday. "They don't even have a first draft in to the state."

Miller noted that the county's draft housing plan, though it has yet to be submitted, already identifies the property as a potential location for a development that could contribute to the 3,326 residences it must identify sites for in unincorporated areas.

### The right mix

The objective of Davamandi's project is to "save the beautiful hospital building" while maximizing housing, all with as little impact on the surrounding neighborhoods as possible, according to Miller. The property is zoned for two units per acre — in other words, for a palatial residence — but projects proposed under the state's pro-housing laws and builder's remedy can exceed the zoning and maximum densities on the land.

'We have to go with the tools we have," Miller said. "So we're trying to work within all the rules and trying not to cram it down anyone's throat. We want it to be a beautiful development that will be a good fit with the neighborhood."

Miller observed that the land and its deteriorating buildings have "been sitting there for 12 years with nothing happening.'

"We're not trying to be the villain, here," he said. "We're using the rules as they are and as they're currently codified in law, but in a sensitive way. We care about the neighborhood, and we want it to be a good project."

He acknowledged that some residents might object but

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# Bike fans crowd Laguna Seca





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Race participants (left) practice on the dual slalom course at the Life Time Sea Otter Classic that runs through Sunday at Laguna Seca. There are approximately 7,000 entrants in the various races, with a total of 80,000 people expected over what's said to be the world's largest cycling festival (above).

# **HOSPITAL**

said it will accommodate critical workers at Community Hospital, in the school district, and in law enforcement and emergency services, among other vocations. Many of those workers, as well as those in hospitality and other service sectors, commute because they can't find anywhere

closer to live that they can

afford.

### Water

"We believe we have everything we need to build this housing," he including where around 9 acre-feet of water. Miller pledged nothing would be beyond two stories, except the old hospital building, which already exceeds that, and an "observation tower" alongside the apartments

and townhouses. While some developers using builder's remedy and other state laws have far

exceeded local guidelines, Miller pointed out that his proposals for the former Carmel Convalescent Hospital grounds don't come near capacity, which he said is 172 residences.

"It could have been four stories, or more," he said. "We're not maximizing the potential density of the site, but we are increasing the density. We're trying to use the rules responsibly and increase housing" that's reasonably priced.



RENDERINGS/ERIC MILLER ARCHITECTS

A renderings shows the two-story apartments and townhouses planned to replace 14 dilapidated apartments located near Highway 1 on the large Carmel Convalescent Hospital property.



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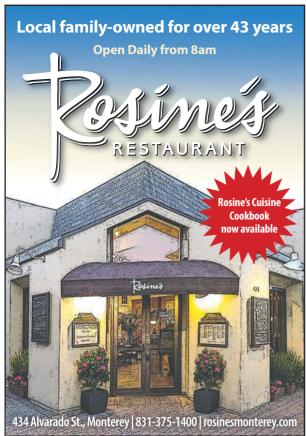
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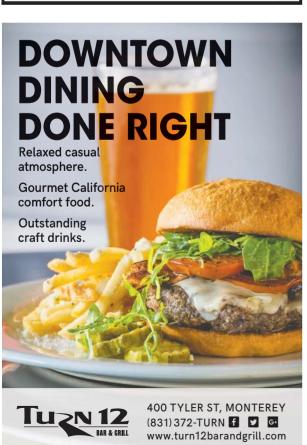












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### **PLANTS** From page 12A

she said. "The legless lizard, a 'species of special concern," inhabits the locale, and an endangered native plant species now is found there."

Residents can do their part by including native plants and flowers in their own gardens and yards, and by learning about them through visiting parks, wildflower shows and other activities. Getting rid of weeds also provides more space for plants to grow.

### 'Encourage others'

Menzies encouraged locals to help protect the state's open space, and to safeguard "bees, beneficial insects, butterflies and other pollinators" by avoiding pesticides and planting the flowers and other vegetation they like.

And, she noted, supporters can use their buying power to stimulate nurseries' interest in stocking more indigenous trees, plants and flowers.

"This April, think what you can do to protect native plants and the heritage of California plant habitats and natural landscapes," she said. "Involve yourself and your community and encourage others to take action."

# ROADWORK

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feet of slurry seal, as well as demolishing and building new concrete curbs, gutters, sidewalks and crosswalks, repairing potholes, and restriping and refreshing painted street markings — last October due to weather, but restarted it this month.

### 'Like a ballet'

Expected to wrap up in late May, the project includes stretches of Lighthouse from David Avenue to the Lighthouse curve, Fremont between Munras and Aguajito, Munras from Fremont to Soledad, and Aguajito Road, Don Dahvee Lane and Alta Mesa Road.

Last week, following a spate of night work, city officials thanked residents and others for their understanding and patience during construction. "Our staff have been talking with community members, answering questions, listening to frustrations, as well as receiving an occasional compliment about the work," they said, including one observer who likened the night work to a classical dance. "It was amazing how the machinery and the machinery operators work," the person said. "It was like a ballet, so



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## NBA star to sign children's book at Fisherman's Wharf

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Basketball Lovers and families with kids are invited to a meet-and-greet and book-signing event with NBA champion Clifford Ray Jr. and co-author Laynie D. Weaver April 27, 1 to 5 p.m. in front of Old Fisherman's Grotto on Fisherman's Wharf in Monterey.

Ray recently released his first children's book, "Big Clifford Ray Saves the Day," a heartwarming story of how a long-armed professional basketball player is asked to help save a dolphin named Doctor Spock. For each book purchased, attendees will receive a certificate for a free Princess Monterey Whale Watching trip. Activity books for kids will also be available in English and Spanish.

Although the event aims to sell the book, Ray will also sign Golden State Warriors merchandise.

## **SOBER**

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annual sale to expand giving to those programs, they were very excited," Myers said.

To ensure there's a lot of merchandise on offer, the CRA is seeking donations of gently used items — but no large furniture, electronics or books. Items can be dropped off April 24-26 between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. in the south lot. Supporters can also volunteer to help receive donations or work during the sale, as can students who need community service hours.

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# **GAVEL**

ated the sale of Doe for \$12,000. At the time of the report, Doe was living with 20-year-old Saavedra. The investigation also revealed that Aparicio had battered his wife by pushing her down, which caused a bruise and laceration to her elbow.

On Oct. 25, 2023, Saavedra was convicted of committing statutory rape upon Doe and oral copulation of a person under 18 years of age, both felony offenses, in Monterey County Case No. 23CR003693. Saavedra was sentenced to 270 days in jail, three years of felony probation, and was ordered to attend a sex offender treatment program.



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# PASTOR

Commission in 2019, architect Jun Sillano's design was scaled back to include demolishing the middle home and building an indoor pool. It was approved in March 2020, but the project was revised again to include a guesthouse and a covered outdoor pool and was approved again, along with a lot merger, in August 2021.

Realtor Tim Allen, who often represents Pastor in real estate transactions, has the listing, which notes the 13,500-square-foot property includes "a hidden swimming pool" — covered by a "rising floor" that's lifted when it's not in use — and a three-bedroom, three-and-a-half-bathroom, 4,854-square-foot house. It also contains a wine room, an elevator, four fireplaces, outdoor firepit and petanque court, a "pool studio" and a one-car garage. "Stepping onto the meticulously

manicured grounds, you are transported to a private sanctuary with charming details and wonders around every corner," the description reads. "This is truly one of the most exceptional properties in the world and the epitome of luxury living in our beautiful village by the sea."

When planning commissioners approved the plans, they worried the residence might become a party house frequented by vacationers rather than solely used by Pastor and his family, who are very private. Pastor's representatives assured the city he had no plans to rent out the house, but nothing would prevent a buyer from letting it out for the minimum 30 days at a time allowed by the city's ordinance regulating vacation stays.

Pastor still owns the house directly to the south, as well as the city's most famous historic home — the Frank Lloyd Wright house at the south end of Carmel Beach about a half-mile from the residence he is selling. He said he plans to live in the Wright house.

# ROBOTICS

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parents, students, teachers and other supporters jumped into action and set up a fundraiser through givebutter.com/Jp5JQV with a goal of \$50,000. As of Thursday, they'd raised \$22,820 and are still accepting donations.

"Not wanting to leave any team member behind that has contributed and wants to attend, the fundraising efforts are to cover air flights, five-night hotel stays,

competition entry fee, transportation while in Houston, and food," Rittermal explained. "Last year, the event advertised that there were 56 countries and 974 teams represented and almost 50,000 attendees."

She said the journey to Houston represents "an extremely valuable developmental opportunity for the team members, and the competition is furthering their interest and skills in a very relevant career future," considering that robots and automation are used in agriculture, retail, medical, automotive and many other fields.

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# When like-minded people gather to celebrate the things they love

By ELAINE HESSER

CARS, WINE, music, cannoli ... it seems like there's a festival for almost anyone's pet interest — including pets — around here. From the Concours de Lemons to the Concours d'Elegance, from barbershop to dreadlocks, and from Beethoven to bebop, there's a festival to that embrac-

While making your summer to-do list, check each event's FAQs and security info to see what you can and can't bring to the venues. You may need to trade in your purse for a clear plastic tote, for example. Policies also vary regarding pets, chairs, coolers, water bottles and, believe it or not, selfie sticks.

Substitute the chords of Bach for a discordant election, let fermentation of beer take the place of fomentation of argument, and let monarch butterflies replace British palace intrigue. Get away for a day (or two) and play.

### Nostalgia, roots and thistles

The Last Hometown's 60-plus-year-old annual admission-free street fair, the Good Old Days, will be May 4 and 5, when more than 20 performers, dozens of art, craft and food vendors, and a collection of carnival rides will take over Lighthouse Avenue. Enjoy the P.G. Kiwanis Club's pancake breakfast on Saturday in Jewell Park and the Rotary-sponsored parade, then visit the quilt show at Chautauqua Hall. There's a petting zoo for kids and the Rotary Club's wine and beer gardens for grownups. Sunday, check out the firefighter challenge at Park and Lighthouse.

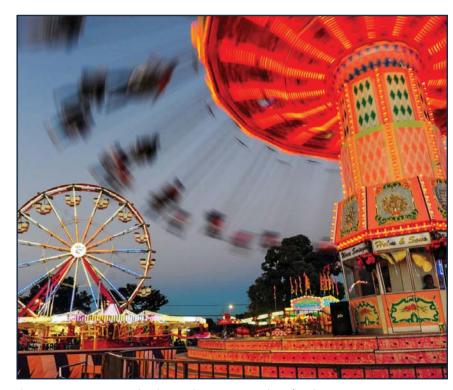
The 31st Annual Carmel Art Festival, May 17-19, is a plein air painting competition among 60 juried artists. They'll each bring two newly created paintings to Devendorf Park on Friday for judging and to sell. A sales tent

for other merch opens Saturday, and live music and kid-friendly events will be held. Sunday includes a two-hour "Quick Draw" competition in which artists will paint nearby and answer questions, then auction off their works. Live music and art sales continue from noon to 3 p.m. Visit carmelartfestivalcalifornia. com for more info.

May 24-26 is the Cali Roots Festival (californiarootsfestival.com) at the Monterey Fairgrounds, showcasing what organizers describe as stars from "reggae rock, island reggae, roots reggae, folk, and conscious hip-hop.'

Dozens of musicians will take various stages to spread good vibes as ticketholders stroll the grounds, dance, shop, eat and drink, since "Cali Roots is not just a music festival, it's a multi-layered experience, curated for music lovers who want to bring more than just stage performance memories home.

In addition to being a "green," ecologically friendly event, its website boasts, "Cali Roots has raised thousands of dollars and brought awareness, education and a community platform" to groups like the Surfrider Foundation, the Esselen Tribe of Monterey County, HeadCount, Save Our Shores and more. Single-day tickets start at \$140, and



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two- and three-day packages are available.

The Artichoke Festival (artichokefestival.org) at the Monterey County Fairgrounds blossoms on June 8 and 9. Last year's Friday night comedy show will return for 2024, and a Prince tribute band will make an appearance.

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### A new way to see your old stomping grounds

By ELAINE HESSER

WHETHER YOU'RE the unofficial-but-knowledgeable tour guide when out-of-town guests arrive, or you haven't been here long enough to know Frank Lloyd Wright from J. Frank Devendorf, you might enjoy a morning or afternoon spent playing Andrea Carter's game, Get a Clue. Carter, who fronts local band Andrea's Fault, came up with the idea during the Covid-19 pandemic as a way to have some fun outdoors. She's lived on the Peninsula since 1972 and said the clue hunt was inspired by her love of exploring Carmel on foot.

"It was roughly based on a road rally game that a group of us (about 30 people) used to play in the 1980s, but that was in cars and typically covered over 10 miles of territory per game. I had to totally reinvent the game so that it could be played on foot and not be a timed race between large groups of people, especially since I wanted to respect the quiet of Carmel neighborhoods." She said it took her about a year to perfect everything.

"I was the test ... I kept walking it and tweaking the clues for several months and then changing them on my computer till I felt they were fun. My wonderful neighbors were the first to play and they loved it. Then I gave it to a part-time neighbor to see if someone from out of town could do it. They loved it, too."

### Don't panic

As with most good games, the rules are simple, and the instructions are clear and well-written. You get a box with clues sealed in individual envelopes. All except the first one, which is clearly labeled, have photos on the envelopes, which will make sense in a moment. There's also an envelope with a "survival kit" (think sugar fix),



Andrea Carter invented — and makes — the Get a Clue game

as well as one labeled "Hints and Panics," plus a couple of little pencils and the instruction page. It reminded me a lot of an escape room, but with the opportunity to enjoy some fresh air and stretch my legs.

My one and only hint, per my strict agreement with Carter not to reveal any spoilers, is to open the first envelope and solve the puzzle before you decide where to park.

Figuring out the first clue will direct you to your first stop. There, the idea is to match something you see to a picture on the front of one of the remaining envelopes. The correct one contains a clue to the next location. The clues are numbered inside the envelopes, so you'll know immediately if you're on the right track. And it's darned near impossible to be confused about which picture is at which spot.

There are nine clues and locations. People who can't figure out one of the puzzles can open the "Hints and Panics" and peek at the hints, and if they've gotten completely lost, the "Panics" list will get them

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Chefs will demystify thistle prep, then you can shop the on-site farmers market. Musical acts and the annual amateur quilt challenge are also highlights.

Buy tickets online through June 9 at 4 p.m. General admission is \$20 for adults, \$10 for youth 6-12, and \$15 for those 62 or older, and military with ID. Wine tasting is \$25, and everyone must be at least 21. The comedy show is \$35 (18 and over only).

### A fabulous Fourth

John Adams wrote of Independence Day and the Declaration of Independence, that despite the war, "I see the rays of ravishing light and glory. I can see that the end is worth all the means. This is our day of deliverance."

His hopes — and those of the other early colonists — have been fulfilled time and again. So, once a year, America pauses to celebrate, and the Peninsula always knows how to party.

Patriotic standards will be performed by Monterey County Pops! in Devendorf Park from 2 to 3:30 p.m., but if you just can't get enough of the music, you can listen to the rehearsal and sound check starting at 10 a.m. Pacific Grove's Downtown Celebration from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Jewell Park includes a reading of the Declaration of Independence, along with kids' activities and a display of antique military vehicles. Monterey's festivities begin with the Monterey Firefighters Charity Pancake Breakfast at Station 11 on Pacific Street from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. In addition to great food, there will be arts and crafts for kids, face painting, music and a chance to meet local firefighters and sit in a firetruck. Tickets are \$15 and benefit the Monterey County Youth Museum. Reservations are required; visit bit.ly/4bgJYKn.

The downtown **parade** along Alvarado Street starts at 10 a.m. and is followed by the Big Little Backyard Bar-B-Que at

Colton Hall from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Bring your own picnic, or purchase food on site. Live musical entertainment is scheduled. A short walk away, you'll find the 4th of July on Monterey's Fisherman's Wharf, where there will be patriotic decorations, sales on candy, food and beverage specials, and, apparently as a metaphor for the British Empire, "Star Wars" storm troopers for photo ops.

### High notes of all sorts

Tickets for the Carmel Bach Festival (bachfestival.org) go on sale to the general public April 26. The theme for the 87th season from July 13-27 is "Passion," and it promises to deliver another diverse array of concerts featuring music from around the globe and across the centuries — but always returning to Bach.

### Horses and horsepower

The 113-year-old California Rodeo Salinas is July 18-21. Watch as the Old West comes alive with cowboy contests, daily horse parades, a downtown Kiddie Kapers parade (July 14), and plenty of good eats. New this year is the Junior Rodeo, Sunday, June 9. Events range from stick-horse races for little vaqueros to junior steer riding, barrel racing, roping, and more. Visit carodeo.com for more information.

Friday, Aug. 9, kicks off 10 days of **Car Week**. The 73rd edition of the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance is scheduled for Aug. 18, but as the old commercials used to say, "Wait, there's more!" The four-fendered feeding frenzy leading up to the Grand Dame of American auto events includes auctions, showings of antique and vintage cars, and tons of custom gear (Porsche ice-cube trays, anyone?). You can spend anywhere from zero — there are plenty of free events — to thousands, depending on your interests. Pebblebeachconcours.net is a great place to start plan-

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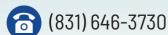




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# Happy trails, full sails and backpacks stuffed with dreams

By ELAINE HESSER

FOR MANY kids, summer camp is a rite of passage and a source of lifelong memories, and it doesn't seem to matter much whether it's daytime-only or sleep-away. There's something about the intensity of being with new friends for a week or more, learning new skills or just being in a different environment that makes camp memories special. There may be campfires or there may be Lego robots (or both), but whatever your youngsters are looking for, there's probably a camp to help them find it.

### Camping at school

Summer day camp at All Saints Day School (allsaintsdayschool.org) in Carmel Valley has plenty of options for children as young as 3 through those entering eighth grade in the fall. Little Saints Summer Camp for ages 3 through 5 starts June 17 and goes through Aug. 2 (except July 1-5), with week-long morning and afternoon sessions. Themes include Olympics, music and construction. For older kids, sessions of varying lengths from June 10 through August 16 include camps for musicians, actors, artists, cheerleaders and many more. Sports camps are available for tennis, soccer, volleyball and basketball. Visit asds.org to read more or sign up.

Stevenson School has day and residential camps for children and teens kindergarten through 12th grade. Those in fourth grade or younger can attend the Carmel campus from June 24 to Aug. 2, for games, activities and "a mix of academic exploration, arts and crafts, outdoor adventures, and interactive workshops," according to Stevenson's website.

The camp at **Pebble Beach campus**, for those entering grades five through eight this fall, offers experiences tailored by grade level. STEM workshops, creative projects, activities and games will be part of the fun and learning. Residential and day options are available.

Eighth through 12th graders will focus on academic en-

richment in geometry (June 10 through July 12) and Spanish language skills (June 17 through July 19). Athletes can also choose from a long list of sports camps, from field hockey and basketball, to pole vaulting, yoga, and tennis. Visit summer.stevensonschool.org.

Summer at Santa Catalina school in Monterey is accepting registration for three two-week camp sessions and one five-week musical theater session, all with options for day and overnight campers and open to girls entering grades three through nine.

There will also three one-week Mini Camps for girls entering grades two through five. All sessions will be held between June 16 and July 26.

In addition to traditional activities and games, there are classes in dance, ceramics, art, marine biology and more. Optional off-campus lessons in surfing, golf or horseback riding are available for an extra fee.

Girls entering grade nine can also take part in Catalina CREW — Confident Resourceful Empowered Women — focused on identifying individual leadership styles, practicing communication skills and gaining experience planning and carrying out an all-camp program. The program runs concurrently with regular camp sessions and helps prepare those students who want to return as counselors-in-training the next year.

Additional information can be found at santacatalina. org.

### **Diverse opportunities**

The folks at Carmel Youth Center have half- and fullday camp sessions planned weekly from June 10 through Aug. 2, except July 1-5. Each weeklong daytime session will include "extraordinary unexpected adventures" for kids 5 to 12 years old. Activities will include games, music and sports, to name a few.

The center also has a **theater arts camp** from June 10 to 21 for those 8 to 14 years old. Scholarships are available for both camps. Email info@carmelyouth.org.

The City of Monterey has numerous camp opportunities available in June and July. Playgrounds around town will host supervised sessions with games, singing, sports and free play for kids ages 5 to 10. Whispering Pines day camp offers weekly full-day sessions for those 5 to 9 and

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ning a Concours-centric visit, while seemonterey.com focuses on the many other events sprawled across the Monterey Peninsula.

The annual **Monterey Winemakers Celebration** in Devendorf Park is on Aug. 24. Starting at 1 p.m. for VIP ticket holders and 2 p.m. for everyone else, guests can sample more than 100 local wines and talk with winemakers and growers, while local chefs offer their best small bites. Visit montereywines.org for ticket information as it becomes available.

If you like your art outdoors and lively, circle Aug. 24 and 25 for the **Sand City West End Celebration**, where musicians will perform, wine will be tasted, food will be on sale, and you'll find more than 150 artists, crafters and vendors selling paintings, sculptures, fine art photographs and multimedia works suitable for all sorts of tastes and budgets. Discover an energetic community of artists sprinkled among the many businesses that call Sand City home.

#### The fun won't stop on Labor Day

"Barn to be Wild" is the theme of this year's **Monterey County Fair**, from Aug. 29 through Sept. 2. Swimsuit season (which never actually arrives here anyway) is over, so have some funnel cakes, brats and beer. Hold hands and stroll the midway, enjoy live entertainment, hop on carnival rides and try to win a giant plush toy. Real animals will be there for livestock judging — including the junior competition — and there will be heated contests for blue ribbons among cooks, artists and crafters. Visit monterey-countyfair.com.

Festa Italia (festaitaliamonterey.org), at the Custom House Plaza in Monterey Sept. 6-8, offers revelry centered on all things Italian. It begins by honoring Santa Rosalia, patron saint of Palermo, Sicily — home to the ancestors of many of Monterey's longtime fishing families — with a procession and blessing of the fleet. Predictably, that leads to eating, drinking, music and dancing. If you want a sign designating your driveway "For Sicilians Only," the opportunity to hear "O Sole Mio," or just time to sit and

watch bocce from behind a plate of cannoli, this admission-free party is for you.

At 67, the **Monterey Jazz Festival** is still undeniably cool. From Friday, Sept. 27, through Sunday, Sept. 29, you can hear dozens of artists like Mavis Staples, the Joshua Redman Quartet, the Blind Boys of Alabama, and the Eastwood (as in Kyle) Symphonic Project. For the full and impressive roster of artists, visit montereyjazzfestival.org.

Feel the roar of freedom Sept. 27-29 at the **California International Airshow Salinas** as the Air Force Thunderbirds streak across the autumn sky. There will also be performances by classic P-51 Mustangs, and various aerobatic artists. For more sedate entertainment, check out the static displays around the grounds. File your flight plan at salinasairshow.com.

#### Brewskies and bread bowls

The Monterey Beer Festival at the Monterey Fair-

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special-needs campers up to age 17. The kids will hike, learn camping skills, outdoor cooking, and much more. Although it's a day camp, organizers plan Friday campfires with skits and songs. Camp Quien Sabe at Toro Park provides traditional overnight experiences for those aged 7 to 15. In addition to swimming, boating, and learning nature lore, campers can participate in the Environmental Team (age 12), with an emphasis on ecology, or a Work Experience program (ages 13-15), where, under counselors' supervision, they'll help with projects to improve Toro Park.

The city also has sports camps in beach volleyball, soccer, track and field, gymnastics, basketball and flag football, as well as camps for those who love Legos, want to play chess, or can't wait to create art.

For all City of Monterey camps, the trail starts at Monterey.org/rec.

#### They've got rhythm

Dance Center Carmel wants kids to keep moving — and grooving — all summer. For nine weeks, from June 3 through Aug. 2, its camps will cover ballet, musical theater, vocal and music theory, jazz, hiphop and more. Dancers as young as 3 and as old as 20 have opportunities tailored to their ages. Little kids will delve into themes like Dragons and Dinosaurs, "Cocomelon" and "The Nutcracker," while older siblings can get involved in "Moana," "The Little Mermaid" and "Swan Lake." Classical ballet, jazz and contemporary sessions are also available.

Waltz on over to dancecarmel.com/summer-camp-schedule to get in step.

PacRep's SoDA (School of Dramatic Arts) invites young musicians, dancers and actors to register for its offerings from June 3 to Aug. 21 at the Forest Theater. Tiny thespians (kindergarten and first grade) can get a taste of the theater with **Kinder Musical Camp**, where the plan is to create and perform "a mashup of several musical theater numbers that are near and dear" to fans

Third through 12th graders can improve auditioning and singing skills and learn to overcome stage fright in the **Music Institute** 

If your fifth through 12th grader saw The Fabelmans and now aspires to become the next Steven Spielberg, **Film Essentials Camp** might be a good match. Students will get "plenty of hands-on experience in making movies," from storyboarding and script-writing to production and editing. A screening will be held to show off everyone's finished films.

On weekdays from June 17 through July 19 (except July 4), campers can dip into Shakespeare for a **Play Production Camp**. For superstitious theater-types, they'll be doing "The Scottish Play," but with — wait for it — zombies! The Scots who die to serve Macbeth's ambitions will return

Showstoppers! camp will give kids in grades two through four a chance to see a production through from the beginning. "Building upon their introduction to drama, students will showcase an original play with a time travel theme!" Although the play will be written by the lead instructor, "creative and hilarious" input from the students promises to keep things lively.

Finally, SoDA has a two-week **Musical Theater Bootcamp**, where fourth through 12th graders will create a showcase of scenes and songs to perform at the end of the session. They'll learn about components of a musical, how to create characters, choreography, music and staging. Take your cues from pacrep.org.

Big Sur Fiddle Camp is back in its regular format this year, preparing to host students 11 and older who have at least two years' experience playing their primary instrument. Beginning June 23, about 40 children, 15 instructors and 15 volunteers will spend a week learning, jamming and living a Big Sur lifestyle on a ranch "without digital distractions." At the end of the week, campers put on a concert for the community.

A half-day **Fireflies** program for youngsters 4 to 8 from June 24-28 requires no musical experience. Various cost-reducing options including scholarships and a work-scholar program are available.

Go to bigsurfiddlecamp.org for more information and to register.

The Monterey Jazz Festival's Summer Jazz day camp for middle and high school vocalists and instrumentalists will nurture budding beboppers from Monday, June 24 through Friday, June 28 at Stevenson School's Pebble Beach campus.

Faculty will include the festival's new artistic director, Darin Atwater, whose long and impressive resume includes In Performance at the White House and guest-conducting gigs with numerous symphonies



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Visit montereyjazzfestival.org for details, and contact Claire Kim-Shin, the festival's director of education, directly at (831) 373-8842 or email claire@montereyjazzfestival.org to apply.

#### **Artsy stuff**

At the **Monterey Museum of Art**, there will be six one-week sessions from 9 to noon daily beginning on June 10, with activities for kids 5 through 14. Ages and topics vary by week and include lots of building with Legos, sea-themed art, mixed media, art history and culture, and a dash of science tossed in for good measure. Organizers paint a cheerful picture at montereyart.org.

The Lyceum of Monterey County has weekly day camps beginning on June 10, serving kids 8 and older (ages vary by session). This year's topics include collage art, exploring space, Lego robotics, digital photography, science illustration, electronics and programming, and arts and crafts. All sessions are planned for The Lyceum at 1073 Sixth St., Monterey. To see the details, visit lyceum.org.

**First Night Monterey** uses proceeds from New Year's Eve revelry to help support six five-day sessions of summer day camp for artists ages 7 to 16 at Archer Park Community Center in Monterey.

From June 10 through July 26, possible activities include drawing, painting, sculpture, screen-printing, sewing, cooking, yarn craft and gardening. Each session wraps up with an art show. To learn more, go to firstnightmonterey.org, or email info@firstnightmonterey.org.

**Backyard expeditions** 

Point Lobos Summer Adventures has two sessions for 8- to 12-year-olds followed by one for teens 13 to 15. Sessions 1 and 2 are weekdays from June 17-28 and July 8-19. July 22-26 gives teens a chance to enjoy their own outdoor escapades. The camps go from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Highlights include field trips for kayaking and whale watching, learning about local wildlife, hiking and creative art projects. Registration is first-come, first-serve and can be accessed via parks.ca.gov/?page\_id=27276.

Beginning June 10, the **Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History** offers four one-week day camps for kids who will start grades three through five this fall. They can sign up to spend a week learning about paleontology, ocean ecology, space technology or "all the ologies" — a range of scientific specialties. Camps run Monday through Friday.

Annoying kid brothers and sisters who will be starting kindergarten through second grade can choose among six one-week camps covering what it's like to be a scientist, field science adventures, ocean exploration, dinosaurs, animal adventures, and space exploration. Some sessions have waitlists; visit pgmuseum.org to see what's available.

Who doesn't love a trip to the **Monterey Bay Aquarium**? And how much fun would it be to see an exhibit from the inside? While not strictly a camp, the aquarium invites kids 8 to 13 to take a deep dive

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grounds is scheduled for Oct. 5. No details are available, but if it's like previous years' events, thousands of beer lovers will come out for live music, food trucks and of course, dozens of breweries offering tastes of their wares

Also Oct. 5, the annual **Pacific Grove Butterfly Parade** celebrates the return of the monarchs to their winter stopover in the eucalyptus grove that brings new meaning to Air BnB.

And, for all you chowder-heads — and we mean that in a good way — **Old Fisherman's Wharf** (montereywharf.com) is having its **179th birthday party** Oct. 6 from 1 to 4 p.m. Radio personality Dave Marzetti will emcee and the Money Band will provide live music.

Organizers promise an assortment of

family-friendly events, a commemoration of the invasion by the dread Argentine pirate Hippolyte Bouchard, free cake, and time to get acquainted — again, in a good way — with the Monterey Police and Fire departments.

Finally, don't miss the **Rebels and Renegades Music Festival** at the Monterey Fairgrounds. With two days and evenings of outstanding music from award-winning artists Oct. 12 and 13, organizers are promoting "left-of-center country, Americana, folk, outlaw, Texas country, bluegrass, and roots music."

They continue, "Bringing the hippies and the cowboys together with some killer music, interactive art stations, a local makers marketplace and delicious food peddlers, Rebels & Renegades salutes the outlaw in all of us." Join the revolution at rebelsandrenegadesfest.com.

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into the Great Tide Pool with its **Underwater Explorers** program. No experience is necessary for the 90-minute experience and groups are limited to 12 children, with one staff member for every three diminutive divers. Fees do not include aquarium admission, and you can book at montereybayaquarium.org. Go to the "Visit" tab, select "Hours & schedule," and then "Tours". A similar program called **Days of Discovery** is offered for children with disabilities on June 17, Aug. 9 and Aug. 26, and is free to eligible participants, thanks to a partnership with Salinas Valley Health and the Children's Miracle Network.

SPCA Monterey County still has room in some oneweek sessions of Animal Camp, where kids ages 7 to 12 "develop an understanding of the shelter environment and a respect for all animals." They can also learn about animal-related jobs from professional guest speakers including SPCA humane investigators, wildlife rescue and rehabilitation technicians, and animal care staff.

Visit speame.org, click on "Programs," then "Education and Outreach," to get to the links for kids' activities. Waitlists are available for sold-out sessions.

Camp SEA Lab lets kids learn more about marine science with adventures along the shores of Monterey Bay and beyond. Stewards of the Sea is a weeklong day camp for those ages 10 to 15, combining surfing and snorkeling with exposure to careers in marine science through activities like examining plankton with a microscope and a visit to the Monterey Bay Aquarium. Sessions go from June 17-21, July 15-19, and July 29-Aug. 2.

**Beach Biology and Breakers** (July 1-5 except July 4, July 22-26) is for 8- to 13-year-olds and focuses on the denizens of beach habitats. Campers will surf, kayak and go whale-watching. **Ocean Forest Odyssey** (June 10-14, June 24-28, and July 8-12) takes 8- to 13-year-olds snorkeling, kayaking, exploring tide pools and on other adventures to learn about underwater life. Kids in all three programs must know how to swim.

Camp SEA Lab's overnight sessions at Stevenson School in Pebble Beach, with themes of conservation and exploring the kelp forest, are for students 12 to 16 and go from June 24-28, July 1-5, July 8-12 and July 22-26. Sleepover camps for 10- to 13-year-olds focus on marine wildlife and are available June 17-21, July 15-19 and July 29-Aug. 2.

Returning this year is **Voyage Seaward**, in which new and experienced sailors ages 13 to 16 board an 82-foot schooner for five days (July 1-5, July 8-12 and July 15-19)

#### **GAME** from page 34A

back on the trail.

That trail, by the way, is about 2 miles long, or, per my iPhone, about 5,800 steps. A few short-but-steep hills are involved, and the game can't be completed via car. Carter explained that it's recommended for two people, and it takes between two and four hours for most folks to complete. And no, you're not just going to stay within a block or two of Ocean Avenue.

#### Scenery, not screens

Most of the puzzles involve wordplay and codes, but there are some twists. While locals will easily answer some of them, those who are newer to town will probably have to look a few things up on Wikipedia. You'll also need a cell phone for one bit of direction.

Carter updates the game periodically, since shops can change hands or a landmark might be altered. She said she assembles each kit by hand and they take about a half-hour apiece to put together.

While an electronic version for a smartphone was a tempting idea, said Carter, "I think that people have their faces glued to their phones too often anyhow, and I wanted to give a tactile experience. For me, part of the magic is opening each envelope and discovering what's in it."

Also on the drawing board are ideas for other cities and possible routes that would be accessible to a wheelchair user or someone whose walking abilities were limited.

Get your copy of the game for \$30 by emailing getacluegame@gmail.com or calling (831) 277-4399. Carter said she'll facilitate pickup at a mutually convenient lo-



Left to right: Kayla Regulski, Leigh Mason, Ruby the Golden and Tad Mason playing Get A Clue, Andrea Carter's whimsical game of walking and solving puzzles.

to cruise along the coast and study marine life while learning classic sailing techniques. Some pickups and drop-offs for these camps are in Sausalito.

Set your compass to campsealab.org to get the details.

#### Get moving

The **Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club** has "a deep commitment in promoting junior sailing," per its website. Summer classes for young sailors from age 8 up are available in one-week morning or afternoon sessions starting June 10, and all experience levels are addressed. You can visit mpyc.org for more information.

Is someone between the ages of 5 and 11 spending too much time staring at screens? Consider taking them to **Carmel Valley Athletic Club's** day camps, where they can get a little fresh air while they hone their tennis games or participate in activities like swimming and arts and crafts. Weeklong sessions begin on June 10 and go through Aug. 2.

**Tennis camp** is for kids 5-11 and focuses on fundamentals, like balance, agility and coordination. CVAC **Kids' Camp** for ages 5-8 offers the opportunity "explore a world of arts, games and swimming." Call (831) 624-2737 or visit cvaclife.com.

Kids ages 6 to 12 with mild to severe asthma can nevertheless enjoy summer camp safely. The Salinas Valley Health is hosting its annual Mark Velcoff M.D. Asthma Camp from July 22-26 at Lincoln Park Elementary School in Salinas. For nearly four decades, the cay camp has allowed youngsters with asthma to participate in activities most people take for granted, like hiking, swimming and soccer, all with medical supervision from physicians and other clinical volunteers. They'll also learn more about their condition and how to take care of themselves. The costs (aside from a \$10 registration fee) are covered by donations made to the Salinas Valley Health Foundation through the Children's Miracle Network Hospitals Program. Visit bit.ly/3PWQpda for more information.





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By CHRIS COUNTS

A founding member of the Carolina Chocolate Drops, singer and multi-instrumentalist Rhiannon Giddens plays Monday, 8 p.m., at Golden State. Delving deep into folk, country, blues and Americana, her music has earned her acclaim, as well as Grammys, for Best Folk Album in

Led by longtime lead singer **David Hinds**, Steel Pulse performs Tuesday, 8 p.m., at the downtown Monterey theater. Both Hinds and keyboardist Selwyn Brown have been in the band since it made its debut in 1975. In 1986. the British-based band became the first outside of Jamaica to win a Grammy for Best Reggae Album.

Tickets start at \$35.

Also playing at Golden State Theatre this week is Fleetwood Macrame, which celebrates the music of Fleetwood Mac Saturday at 8 p.m.

Tickets start at \$23.



Also performing this week at the Golden State Theatre is Grammy-winning reggae band Steel Pulse, led by singer David Hinds (above).

#### ■ Saying goodbye

Monterey Symphony presents its fifth concert of the season Saturday, 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, 3 p.m., at Sunset Center — and pays tribute to executive director Steve Friedlander, who died last month.

The program includes music by Adolphus Hailstork ("Epitaph to a Man Who Dreamed"), Arvo Pärt ("Cantus in Memory of Benjamin Britten"), Benjamin Britten ("Serenade for Tenor, Horn and Strings") and Vaughan Williams ("Symphony No. 3, Pastoral"). All four pieces share a common theme. "In this singular, transformative concert experience, the Monterey Symphony will present four pieces about saying farewell," music director Jayce Ogren announced.

Tickets start at \$12. Sunset Center is located

at San Carlos and Ninth. For more details, call (831) 646-8511 or visit montereysymphony.org.

#### ■ Back on stage

After battling throat cancer, singer and guitarist Tom Faia will play his first show in a year Sunday, 2 p.m., at Hacienda Hay & Feed in Carmel Valley — and he's thrilled to be back on stage. "I'm so grateful to be able to sing again," he told The Pine Cone.

Faia will be joined by his longtime musical partner,

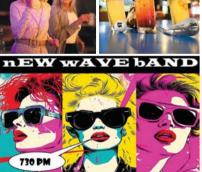
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Singer and multi-instrumentalist Rhiannon Giddens plays Monday, 8 p.m., at the Golden State Theatre in Monterey.

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#### Noir up for Beard, Bernardus has 'chokes, and salad is served

JONNY AND Monique Black's Chez Noir restaurant on Fifth Avenue in Carmel has become the local darling, garnering praise far and wide along with a Michelin star since its opening less than two years ago. Earlier this month, the James Beard

They have long careers in hospitality. After mentor Renny Parziale helped Jonny discover his passion for the culinary arts while he was in high school in Virginia - "He's like a dad to me," Black said he received a full scholarship to the Culi-

nary Institute of America in Hyde Park, N.Y. Black graduated with honors in 2007 and went on to cook in New York City, stage (intern) in Europe and then work

in restaurants in New York, Washington D.C., and San Francisco. Several received multiple Michelin stars during his tenure, including Quince and highly regarded Dominique Crenn's Atelier Crenn, Petit Crenn and Bar Crenn, all in San Francisco. He spent 10 months at Sierra Mar at the Post Ranch Inn before going to work as a

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Foundation announced it's among 10 contenders across the nation for Best New Restaurant. The couple and their management staff will be at the Lyric Opera of Chicago in June when the winners are announced.

The Blacks said they learned from friends in the industry that they'd made the "long list" of nominees and then that they were included among the 10 finalists.

Monique and Jonny Black, owners of Chez Noir on Fifth Avenue, are excited about their nomination for a James Beard award for Best New Restaurant. They will travel to Chicago in June for the announcement of the winner.





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private chef while refining his business plan for Chez Noir.

Monique started as a line cook in NYC and worked in the open kitchens at Colonie and Governor before moving to the front of the house when she relocated to take a job at Ouince. After the Blacks worked together at Pineapple and Pearls in Washington, D.C., they came back West, and she worked at Coi in San Francisco until the birth of their second child.

Their kids are now 6 and 8, and the family lives above their restaurant, which shifted to a prix fixe format last year. The menu, priced at \$150 per person plus service, includes four courses with little extras along the way, like their now practically famous abalone.

#### Strong team

"We built our own little palace here — I love our little restaurant. It's everything I want, with a great community and guests," Jonny Black said, adding that he appreciates all of the high-quality produce and other ingredients he and his crew get to work with. "Our team just keeps getting stronger," and is about two dozen strong.



Don't let the long name scare you off — Scheid Vineyards' grüner veltliner is a crisp white wine with roots in Austria, and Roxanne Langer of Lady Somm says it's a great springtime sipper.

The Blacks also cherish their bourgeoning container garden of herbs and flowers at the restaurant, tended by gardener James Bronson III. "He's great — he puts on Miles Davis and vibes with the plants," Monique said.

Chez Noir is one of a diverse group of Beard nominees from across the country, including Bar Bacetto in Washington, Barbs-B-Q in the barbecue capital of Lockhart, Texas, Comfort Kitchen in Massachusetts, Dakar NOLA in New Orleans, Hayward in Oregon, Kaya in Florida, Kisser in Nashville, Oro by Nixta Minneapolis and Shan in Bozeman, Mont.

"The Beards represent exceptional talent," Jonny said, and the awards are extra special since they are bestowed by others in the industry. "It was definitely a surprise. The Michelin star is awesome, but the James Beard Awards are special."

#### ■ 'Straight from the Heart'

Bernardus Lodge is having a special lunch

on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. when chef Christian Ojeda presents "Straight from the Heart — an Afternoon of All Things Artichoke." If you're one of those folks who thinks 'chokes are a nuisance to prepare but great to eat, this is your party. For \$125 per person plus tax and gratuity, you can hear about the thistle from Ojeda and from Jane Hayes, owner of Monterey Farms. Try artisan artichoke beer, artichoke chicken piccata, and almost a dozen interpretations of the vegetable served buffet style. Bernardus Lodge is at 415 W. Carmel Valley Road. Reservations are required for this event; call (831) 877-1099 to save your seat or visit bernarduslodge. com to see the menu and learn more.

#### ■ Dawn's new zin

Dawn's Dream winery owner Dawn Galante has always supported local nonprofits through her business, but she's taking it to a new level with the release of her 2022 zinfandel, since part of the proceeds from every bottle sold will be donated to Community Human Services. The tasting room at San Carlos and Seventh will host a release party



I. Brand & Family (the "& Family" are shown here) makes La Marea Albariño — a white wine with Spanish and Portuguese origins. It has citrus-y notes that would be great with a springtime picnic.

April 20 from 2 to 6 p.m.

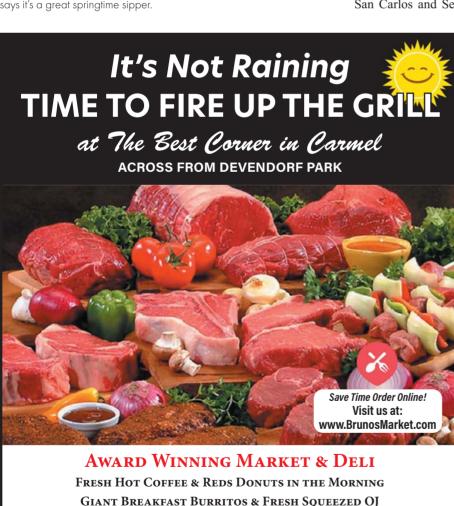
The 2022 Dare to Dream Zinfandel is "a toast to dreams, community and making a difference," according to Galante, and the event will provide a chance to taste the brand-new wine made from 100-plus-year-old vines. Sips of zin will be offered with the purchase of a flight, and small bites will be served.

"Your love of wine helps us support vital programs in our community," Galante said. Community Human Services provides counseling, recovery and supportive services for people with mental health, substance abuse and homelessness issues in Monterey County.

#### ■ White after Easter

Spring ushers in the perfect time to enjoy two beautiful white grape varietals: albariño and grüner veltliner. Albariño is a grape from the Rias Baixas wine region of Northwest Spain. (It is also grown in Portugal, where it's called alvarinho.) On the Iberian coast of Spain, this grape is traditionally grown on granite posts and trained to go up and over, creating a pergola effect that is more than

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## LIVES

Everyone wanted to be part of the Dodger phenomenon, especially Hollywood, with movie stars promoting the voter referendum for the new Dodger Stadium. The excitement carried over each year with the annual Hollywood Stars vs. Sportscasters/ Sportswriters game, which drew massive crowds. "One year, I was to meet Dean Martin at the gate and take him down to the dressing room, as he was running late," Snyder recalled. "The limo pulled up, he jumped out, grabbed my hand, and we ran to the elevators. He stopped short and said, 'I don't ride elevators.' We ran down three flights of escalator stairs to the dressing room." He kissed her and said, "That's 'thank you' in Italian."

Snyder left the Dodgers 10 years later. "As wonderful as it was, I knew if I stayed, the rest of my life would be about baseball."

She accepted a position as press director for Evelle Younger's successful campaign for California attorney general, then was appointed head of public information for the California Department of Justice.

Eight years later, at the request of Gov. George Deukmejian, she created the California department of tourism and directed it over the next eight years.

She had met her husband, Dale Speck, at the department of justice, where he was head of law enforcement. "We fell in love at first sight and knew it was meant to be. We were both in high-profile jobs and both young and stupid. We let things get in the way, and in time we separated.

In 2008, Speck saw her picture in the L.A. Times with an article abour "Lady in the Locker Room," her book about her time with the Dodgers. She had moved to the Monterey Peninsula in 1995, and he tracked her down.

#### 'Be open to life'

"Of all the miracles in my life — and there were many — that was the biggest by far. He wasn't well. Taking care of him was the most worthwhile and most important thing I've ever done," she confided.

She stays fit with a daily exercise program, eats a healthy diet, lends her expertise to worthy causes, keeps up with friends, and still follows the Dodgers from her home near Highway 1.

"Life has taught me anything is possible. You might meet a king, a queen, a movie star or a governor or maybe become one. It's best to be open to life and not be overly influenced by outside sources, people or events because the greatest control over our lives comes from within; and don't be afraid of making mistakes," she

Flo Snyder (at right) posing with an ebullient Louis Armstrong in Gstaad, Switzerland, in 1961. Strangely enough, the king and queen of Thailand are also part of the story behind this photo.

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decorative — it allows air to flow through the vines, helping to dry them out after the region's frequent local rains. Since we don't have as much rain here, our albariño grapes are grown just like other varietals, in a normal vineyard setting.

Grüner veltliner is originally from Austria. The fruit and the resulting wines tend to have lively acidity, which encourages your taste buds to want another sip. Grüner (as fans call it), though, tends to be higher in acidity than albariño, but can also offer a rounder mouth feel depending on the weather during harvest, with warmer temperatures usually equating to rounder mouthfeel. The two wines share some of the flavors they offer, such as melon, lemon and stone fruits. From there, they differ quite a bit, with the albariño presenting a fun, fruity and slightly crisp option, and the grüner, depending on its style, providing a bit more minerality, roundness and white pepper on the palate.

Two local examples to try are:

I.Brand & Family, La Marea Albariño fresh with tropical aromatics on the nose and lively acidity on the palate. Perfect for an evening on the porch!

Scheid Grüner Veltliner — scents of lemon and lime on the nose, moving to tropical notes on the palate, ending with a slight whiff of white pepper.

#### ■ Earth Day at Earthbound

Free salad! Saturday is Earth Day, and Earthbound Farm Stand at 7250 Carmel Valley Road is celebrating from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with live music, workshops, raffles, and more — not to mention a serving of healthy green salad. Take a tour and visit the new "solar and rain collection zone." There's no charge to attend, but you should RSVP at Eventbrite.com.

Elaine Hesser, Roxanne Langer and Mary Schley contributed to this week's column.

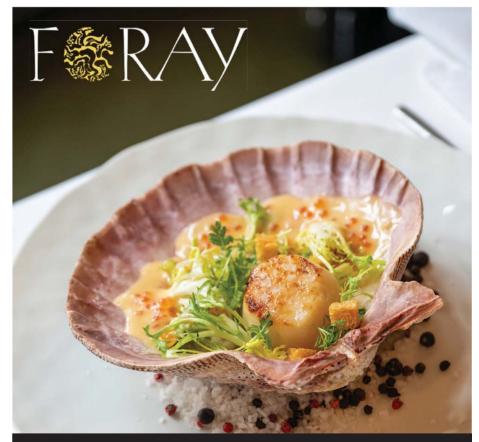


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singer Kate Miller, along with bassist Jesse Diaz and drummer Vince Sanchez.

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#### ■ Live music April 19-25

Albatross Ridge Winery and Kitchen in Monterey — singer and guitarist Lindsey Beery (Friday at 5 p.m.), singer and guitarist Peter Barnes Martin (jazz, Saturday at 5 p.m.). 316 Alvarado St.

**Barmel** — **Jazville** (jazz, Sunday at 6 p.m.) and singer and guitarist **Chris Jamez** (Thursday at 6 p.m.). In Carmel Square on San Carlos just north of Seventh.

**Bernardus Lodge & Spa** in Carmel Valley — pianist **Mathias Mann** (classi-

cal, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Pete Sibley** (Saturday at noon), pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Alison Sharino** (Sunday at noon). 415 W. Carmel Valley Road.

**Big Sur River Inn** — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (Saturday at 12:30 p.m.). 46800 Highway 1.

Bon Ton LeRoy's Lighthouse Smokehouse in Monterey — singer and guitarist Frida Vossler (Saturday at 7 p.m.), mandolinist Dave Holodiloff (jazz, Wednesday at 7 p.m.), Open Mic Night (Thursday at 7 p.m.). 794 Lighthouse Ave.

Bulldog Sports Pub in Monterey — Tribe in the Sky presents a weekly Community Jam (Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.). 611 Lighthouse Ave.

**Cibo** restaurant in Monterey — **The Dave Holodiloff Duo** (bluegrass and jazz, Sunday at 7 p.m.), singer **Lee Durley** and singer and pianist **Bill Spencer** (jazz, Tues-

day at 7 p.m.), singer **Miranda Perl** and guitarist **Adam Astrup** (jazz and swing, Wednesday at 7 p.m.). 301 Alvarado St.

Cuz's Sportsman's Club in Seaside — singer and multi-instrumentalist Tony Miles (reggae, 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 6:30 p.m.), The Andrea Carter Trio (jazz and blues, Sunday at 11 a.m.), guitarist Richard Devinck (classical, Sunday at 6 p.m.), singer Lee Durley and pianist Joe

**Indence** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). Lincoln and Seventh, Carmel.

Estéban Restaurant in Monterey — guitarist Catherine Broz (Spanish music, Friday and Saturday at 5:30 p.m.). 700 Munras Ave.

Folktale Winery in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist Dan Cortes (Friday at 4 p.m.), singer and guitarist Kris Angelis (Saturday at 4 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist Meredith McHenry (Sunday at 2 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.

Hyatt Carmel Highlands — singer and pianist Dino Vera (jazz, blues and r&b, Saturday and Sunday at 8 p.m. and Thursday at 7 p.m.). 120 Highlands Drive.

The Inn at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach —

**The Andy Weis Jazz Trio** (Friday, Saturday and Thursday at 7 p.m.). 2700 17 Mile Drive.

Intercontinental Hotel in Monterey — guitarist John Sherry (rock and blues, Friday and Saturday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist Zack Freitas (Saturday at 9 a.m.), guitarist Terrence Farrell (Latin music, Sunday at 9 a.m.). 750 Cannery Row.

Juice 'n' Java in Pacific Grove — The Sizzle Kings (Americana, Friday at 4:30 p.m.), Open Mic (Friday at 7 p.m., sign up by 5:30 p.m.), The Ben Herod Trio (jazz, Saturday at 6:30 p.m.), The Dave Holodiloff Duo (jazz, Sunday at 11 a.m.). 599

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Sunday, 2 p.m., at Hacienda Hay & Feed in Carmel Valley.

Tom Faia and his longtime musical partner Kate Miller will perform

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Duo (jazz and pop, Saturday at 6 p.m.),

multi-instrumentalist Gary Regina (jazz,

Thursday at 6 p.m.). In the Terrace Lounge

Lucy's on Lighthouse in Pacific Grove — The Rogue Roosters (rock and blues, Sunday at 2 p.m.). 1120 Lighthouse Ave.

Massa Tasting Room in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist Rick Chelew (Sunday at noon). 69 W. Carmel Valley Road.

Melville Tavern in Monterey — Tapson & Moseley (rock, Tuesday at 6 p.m.). 484 Washington St.

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showed off the portrait to his bandmates

and friends. "When I tried to give it to him, he said, 'I can't keep a painting of myself — that would feel weird - but why don't I sign it for you?" she recalled. "He did, and that moment is why I'm an artist today.'

The following year, Burkman took the portrait into Phoenix Gallery in Sacramento, wondering how she might get a print made for her sister.

"They said, 'Well, we love it. Can we show your work here?" she said. "Until then, I had never thought of myself as an artist, but that's what planted the seed."

In 2013 — five years after relocating to Monterey — Burkman began collecting the colorful paint chips she peeled off her

"They were beautiful, like little abstract paintings. I couldn't bear to throw them away, so I started tossing them into boxes," she said of a hoarding quirk that evolved into her signature style: paint-chip mosaic portraits and landscapes.

#### Bernie and Bird

Her colorful mosaic of two-time presidential candidate Bernie Sanders caught the attention of the senator's staff during his 2015 stop at Monterey's Colton Hall. Prints of the portrait became a bestselling fundraising item on Sanders' website when he ran for president again in 2020.

"There's a picture out there of Bernie's wife (Jane) hugging Danny Glover," Burkman said. "You can see Bernie in the background, reading about my painting on the wall. That was a really proud moment for

In 2017, she went backstage at Mountain Winery with her paint-chip mosaic portrait of indie-rock musician Andrew

Bird. The rendering of Bird playing his violin hung in his dressing room, and he signed it for her after his performance.

In 2019, she created a mosaic of the emotional moment when animal-welfare activist Jane Goodall first met Swedish youth activist Greta Thunberg.

"I tried to capture the love and admiration you can see in their eyes," Burkman said. Goodall's staff posted an image of the painting her website while she spoke to a sold-out audience in San Francisco.

That post received 32,000 views that night, which was mind-blowing for me,"

In 2021, Burkman was commissioned to create a portrait of a friend's daughter, who was stricken with Stage 4 cancer.

#### **Inspiration from Sara**

In summer 2022, she was summoned to Salt Lake City to create a mural celebrating terminally ill cancer victim Sara Bell. A whirlwind romance led to their marriage that July. Sara passed away two weeks

"Helping people who have lost loved ones by creating art using possessions that were important to them ... that's my new focus," said Burkman, who transformed the basement of Bell's home into a shrine for the family.

Images of Burkman's one-of-a-kind paint-chip portraits and landscapes can be found at rustiart.com, and her work can be seen by appointment at Rusti Willows Studio, a former carriage house at 160 Webster St. in Monterey, directly behind Gold Leaf Frame Shop.

Contact her for commissions at rustiwillow@gmail.com or via text at (831) 223-7033.

Rusti's twin, Amy, is a national and international performance artist specializing in speed painting.

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#### Juried Exhibition opens Saturday at Center for Photographic Art

AFTER NARROWING down the field from more than 2,600 entries to just 45, the Center for Photographic Art is preparing to unveil its 2024 Members' Juried Exhibition Saturday at 4 p.m. in its Sunset Center gallery.

The entries came from as far away as Ireland and England and were selected by gallery owner Catherine Couturier. According to executive director Ann Jastrab, the images include "bold landscapes, dramatic portraits, unbelievable still lifes, and wild experiments in photography."

The selected works represent a "multitude of different styles of photography, from the earliest photographic processes — such as tintypes and cyanotypes — to contemporary digitally-manipulated work," Jastrab said. "This is a great survey of photography from our beloved CPA members, many of whom will attend the opening."

Along with a reception, there will be a walk-through

#### **Art Roundup**

By CHRIS COUNTS

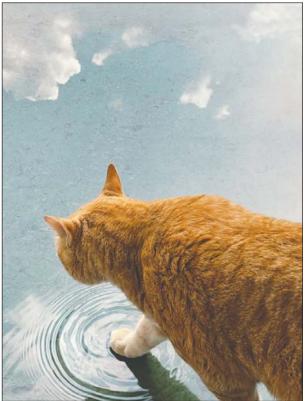
tour and an awards ceremony Saturday. Couturier will be on hand to announce the winners, and a popular vote will determine the People's Choice Award. "Make sure to stop by and vote for your favorite," Jastrab added.

Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. The show will be on display through June 2. photog-

#### ■ Photographing the Suri

Offering a fascinating look at the Suri — a small ethnic group in Ethiopia with a distinctive culture — Mark Overgaard's exhibit of photographs, "The Eloquent Suri of Ethiopia," is on display at Middlebury Institute's McCone Atrium Gallery in Monterey through May 31. The show was displayed last summer at the Pacific Grove Art Center.

Wednesday at 12:15 p.m. the same gallery will host a presentation by Overgaard, which will be moderated by Netta Avineri, Ph.D., a professor and applied linguistic



This striking photograph, "After the Rain," by Miguel Vargas, is part of a members' exhibition at the Center for Photographic Art.

anthropologist. The two will discuss an initiative in Ethio-

pia to teach children in their native language. "The Suri people of Ethiopia, who live in the country's remote southwest corner, are proud and resilient, with creative and exquisite adornment traditions," explained the photographer, who lives in Scotts Valley and visited the Suri for the first time in 2019. "They are also passionate about preserving their culture and language.'

The McCone building is located at 499 Pierce St. For more details, visit markovergaard.art.

#### ■ 'A Visual Journey in Collage'

On display at the Cherry Center for the Arts is a show that explores the artistic medium of collage. Titled "RE/ Aligned: A Visual Journey in Collage," the exhibit will be on display through May 11.

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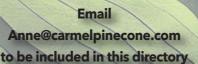
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#### **MORE LETTERS**

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safety, rather than effectively banning them by modifying local land use policy.

Bill Harness, Carmel Valley

#### *'Scale it back'* Dear Editor,

Your April 5 article on the American Tin Cannery Project appeal before the coastal commission offered little information on why scores of locals have been trying for years to get the project scaled back. Ignoring much of P.G.'s municipal code, historic and natural resource protections, architectural review guidelines, the general plan, which requires development in highly scenic areas to be subordinate to the character of its setting, and California's Coastal Act obligations, an unneeded upscale hotel, so gigantic it will require the elimination of a public street, is being wedged into an environmentally vulnerable coastal area, destroying a historic site important enough for listing on both state and federalinventories.

Even after supposed mitigations, 79 mature trees, important to protected migratory birds and local wildlife, will be lost in an area already well below the city's officially requisite canopy level. In this "area of special biological significance" rare habitat will be damaged where not destroyed, affecting vulnerable marine animals and endangering "species of special biological significance," like black oystercatchers. Noise from its construction and later its everyday functioning will scare mother harbor seals enough to abandon

Hundreds more people will be driving through that bottleneck daily, but nonsensical analysis has proven that they will cause no more traffic and as guests they will use no more water than the current "underused commercial property." After this appeal, you might want report on how the coastal commission has done with its basic goal to "protect, maintain, and where feasible enhance and restore the overall quality of the Coastal Zone."

> Cosmo Bua, Pacific Grove

See COMMENTS page 49A

### CALENDAR

April 19 - On behalf of Earth Day/John Muir's birthday, the incomparable Barbara Mossberg presents an original tribute to the woman behind the man. A Play Concert, 5:30 p.m. www.pacificgrovelibrary.

April 20 - Chautaugua Hall Dance Club. Dancing every Saturday night in Pacific Grove. Viennese Waltz with Natasha.



Lesson 6 to 7 p.m.; enjoy social/ ballroom dancing 7 to 9 p.m.: music for Latin, night ballroom and swing. No partner needed. \$10 cash only.

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April 23 - The Carmel Public Library Foundation Annual Fundraiser presents: The Human Edition - Essential Observations in the Accelerated Age of **Everything** with **Douglas Brinkley and** Dave Eggers. Join us as they share their insights and perspectives on what it truly means to be human in the Accelerated Age of Everything! At Sunset Center, Ninth and San Carlos, Carmel. VIP ticket: \$175, general tickets: \$45-\$75; virtual registration: \$45. Purchase tickets at: www.carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org. Questions? 831-624-2811

NOW RESCHEDULED - CRA hosts a conversation with Mary Adams of Monterey County. (Formerly April 24th) Mary is now rescheduled for July 10th, when she will be answering questions on Monterey County and how she represents us in other commissions including AMBAG, energy, water, transportation and more. Details are available at www.carmelresidents.org.

April 25 - "B4Noon Community Recital," 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Thursday, at Carmel Presbyterian Church, Ocean and Junipero, SE corner, featuring Bach organ & Chopin piano pieces with Eun Ha Chung & local baritone **Otto Neely**. Free.

April 25 - Carmel High School's "Empty Bowls" is an art show and soup and bread supper to benefit The Food Bank for Monterey County. Each guest selects a handmade bowl to take home. Live entertainment. Event begins 5 p.m. Purchase tickets, \$20, at Carmel High or through GoFan or the CHS web store.

April 26 - The World Affairs Council of the Monterey Bay Area (WACMB) will present a lecture / luncheon at the Hilton Garden Inn in Monterey; led by Dr. Jeremias Zunguze, associate professor at CSUMB. The title is "Understanding Military Coups in Africa: A Question Concerning **Democracy."** Please visit http://www.wacmb.org for event information and registration.

April 26 – Join Gateway Center for "Brighter Days Ahead," at Embassy Suites. Enjoy dinner, dancing, live music, keynote speaker Michael Pritchard and live / silent auctions.

April 27 – The Center for Spiritual Awakening, 522 Central Ave., Pacific Grove, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Open to the public. Tickets \$55. The first 100 people registered receive a free copy of the book "How to be an Adult in Love." Call (831) 375-5441 or www.breakthroughformen.org

April 27 - CRA's Community Rummage Sale. Shop till you drop from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Location: south lot Sunset Center NE corner San Carlos and 10th. Donations of carefully used items are accepted Wednesday-Friday, April 24-26 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Join us and mark your calendars as our past possessions get a new life and we help our Carmel community youth non-profits win! Visit our website to volunteer or donation details: www.carmelresidents.org.

**April 28 - Youth Music Monterey County** presents its season finale: "Legends," led by music director, Daniel Brier. Concert begins 4 p.m. in Sunset Center, Carmel, and features students from YMMC's Honors & Junior Youth Orchestras, South County Strings, Orchestra in the Schools, Chamber Ensembles and Concerto Competition winners Annette Ma, Emmeline & Abigail Chang. http:// youthmusicmonterey.org

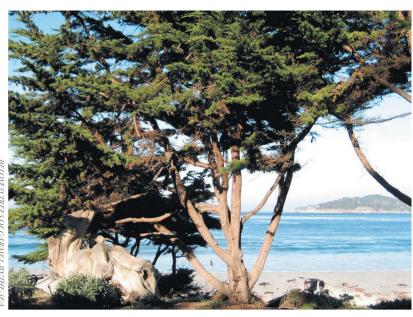
April 28 - 75th Anniversary "Hoedown" Party - Join the Carmel Valley Women's Club and Foundation in celebrating our 75th year with this "fun" draiser at Hidden Valley Music Seminars 5:30-8 p.m. Tickets (\$75) include BBQ dinner, Silent Auction, Live Music with The Country Line, line dancing plus tutorial. No host bar. Proceeds benefit the CVWCFoundation which makes scholarship grants to CV residents and grants to nonprofits benefiting CV residents. For tickets and details go to www.cvwomensclub.org or email cvwcfoundation@gmail.com.

May 1 - St. Mary's By-The-Sea Celtic **Concert Series** hosts the return of Scottish super group, The Old Blind Dogs, 7 p.m., doors open at 6:30 p.m. Buy tickets at www. celticsociety.org, \$30 advance, \$35 door. More info, call or text (831) 224-3819.

May 5 - Tor House Garden Party, 2 to 5 p.m. at 26304 Ocean View Avenue, Carmel. Adults: Tickets: \$25; students: \$10. Stroll the gardens, photograph to your heart's content, learn about Tor House from knowledgeable docents, watch yarn spinning, enjoy music, poetry, birdwatching, plein air artists, tasty treats. Tickets at door or online: www.torhouse.org.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20240652 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **NIELSEN BROS MARKET, 7th** 

Avenue & San Carlos, Carmel by the Sea, CA 93921. County of Principal Place of Business:

Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in

the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: NIELSON BROS LLC, 1601 N. Sepulve-da Blyd., #146, Manhattan Beach, CA

MIELSON BROS LLC, 1601 N. Sepulve-da Blvd., #146, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 1, 2024.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS
TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any malerial matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections \$250-6277.)
S/Mark Lerman, Manager Member

S/Mark Lerman, Manager Member
Date: March 11, 2024
This statement was filed with the County
Clerk of Monterey County on March 26,

2024.
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

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Publication Dates: April 5, 12, 19, 26, 2024. (PC 401)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20240599 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person of the following person of the file of the fi

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: NIELSEN BROTHERS MARKET, 7th Avenue & San Carlos, Carmel by the Sea, CA 93921.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

MONTEREY.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.:
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State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 1, 2024.
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S/Mark Lerman, Manager Member Date: March 11, 2024
This statement was filed with the County

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 18, 2024.

Clerk of Monterey County on March 18, 2024.
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 Fed-

olation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section

Publication Dates: April 5, 12, 19, 26, 2024. (PC 402)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20240606 The following person(s) is(are) doing

business as:
Protassio, 923 Paloma Rd. Del Rey
Oaks, CA 93940, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s): Sergey Protasov
This business is conducted by An Indi-

vidual
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 02/14/2024
S/ Sergey Protasov
This statement was filed with the County
Clerk of Monterey County on 03/19/2024

Publication Dates: April *5*, 12, 19, 26, 2024. (PC 403)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20240658

The following person(s) is (are) doing

pusiness as:
Mission Mortuary & Memorial
Park, 450 Camino El Estero, Monterey, CA 93940
County of MONTEREY
Registrant(s):

03/19/2024 4/5, 4/12, 4/19, 4/26/24 CNS-3794080# CARMEL PINE CONE

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#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

NAME STATEMENT File No. 20240518 Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: EL PASEO BUILDING, 25575 Arroyo Trail, Carmel, CA 93923.

Arroyo Irain, Carmet, CA 93923.
Registered Owner(s):
JEAN CLAUDE MOUTON, 25575 Arroyo
Trail, Carmel, CA 93923.
RICH PEPE, 9401 Holt Road, Carmel, CA

SANDRA PEPE, 9401 Holt Road, Carmel,

CA 93923. This business is conducted by a joint ven-

This business is conducted by a joint venture.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 25, 2020.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

dollars (\$1,000).
S/Sandra Pepe
Date signed: Feb. 28, 2024
This statement was filed with the County
Clerk of Monterey County on March 8,
2024.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision
(a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name
Statement generally expires at the end of
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Publication Dates: March 29, April 5, 12, 19, 2024 (PC 339)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20240572
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TARA FIRMA GARDENING, 941 W. Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel, CA 93924. 93924.

Registered Owner(s): TARA LYNN KEYSER This business is conducted by an individ-

ual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names. listed above on N/A.
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S/Tara L. Keyser

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5/Tara L. Keyser
Date signed: March 15, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 15, 2024.

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 1441) et seq., Business and Professions Codel.

Publication Dates: March 29, April 5, 12, 19, 2024 (PC 341)

#### SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. 24CV001205
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner, BASILIA LUNA ARROYO aka
BASILIA LUNA-ARROYO, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A Present name:

A.Present name: RODRIGO LUNA-ARROYO

<u>Proposed name</u>: RODRIGO RODRIGUEZ-LUNA

**B**.<u>Present name</u>: DIEGO LUNA-ARROYO

DIEGO LUNA-ARROYO
Proposed name:
DIEGO RODRIGUEZ-LUNA
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 changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before 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 filled, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING:

DATE: May 17 2024.

DATE: May 17, 2024 TIME: 8:30 a.m. DEPT: 14

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The address of the court is 1200
Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
A copy of this Order to Show Cause
shall be published at least once each week snall 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.

Cone, Carmel.
(s) Thomas W. Wills
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: March 25, 2024
Publication Dates: March 29; April 5, 12,
19, 2024. (PC 342)

#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT

NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20240566
Filing type: NEW FILING - with
CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ORT REPAIR, 585 Gamay Pl.,
Gonzales, CA 93926.
Registered Owner(s): JAIME ZEPEDA
This business is conducted by an individual.

Registrant commenced to transact busi-

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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 Perfections Code the expiritant know the Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

#### PUBLIC NOTICES

FPG California, Inc, 369 N. New York Ave, Suite 300, Winter Park, FL 32789 This business is conducted by a Corpo-S/Jaime Zepeda Date signed: March 11, 2024 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 14,

ration Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/03/2010. FPG California, Inc S/ William Kent Robertson, CEO This stotement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 03/26/2024. 4/5, 4/12, 4/19, 4/26/24 CNS-3790287# CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: April 5, 12, 19, 26, 2024. (PC 404) 2024.
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) Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other

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File No. 20240654 The following person(s) is(are) doing

business as:
VIBE SALON, 54 PEARL ST, MON-TEREY CA 93940, County of MON-

IEREY
Registered Owner(s):
DOMINEE A FISCHER, 703 CYPRESS
ST, MONTEREY CA 93940
This business is conducted by AN INDIVIDUAL
Registration

DIVIDUAL
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE
S/ DOMINEE A FISCHER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 3/26/2024
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3/26/2024 4/12, 4/19, 4/26, 5/3/24 CNS-3776084# CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: April 12, 19, 26, May 3, 2024. (PC 407)

#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20240613 be: NEW FILING Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PAWSITIVE PET MOBILE VET, 3722 The Barnyard, Suite G-17, Carmel, CA 93923.

County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY. Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: VME INC, 126 Hammond Rd., Monterey, CA 93940.

CA 93940. State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA This business is conducted by a corpora-

Registrant commenced to transact busi-

tion.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 1, 2014.

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S/Danielle Hetler, CEO
Date: March 20, 2024

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 20, 2024.

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision.

Clerk of Monterey County on March 20, 2024.

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Publication Dates: April 5, 12, 19, 26, 2024. (PC 408)

#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS**

File No. 20240610 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following posterior NAME STATEMENT Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MONTEREY GOLF PHOTOGRAPHY, Gudadalupe 2 SW 5th, Carmel, CA 93921.
Registered Owner(s): IAN MARTIN, P.O. Box 142, Carmel, CA 93921.
This business is conducted by an individual

Inis business is conducted by an individnegistrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or 
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S/lan Martin 
Date signed: March 20, 2024

S/lan Martin
Date signed: March 20, 2024
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Publication Dates: April 5, 12, 19, 26, 2024 (PC 409)

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person 1 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: WALLY'S, San Carlos 3 SW of 5th, Unit C, Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA

of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.:
WALLYS MONTEREY, LLC 519 Pearl Street, Monterey, CA 93940.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
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 that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277). S/Andrew Chugg, Managing Member Date: March 1, 2024. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 6, 2024. FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Clerk of Monterey County on March o, 2024.

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 viola-

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** 

File No. 20240642
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SPITTING IMAGE AUTO GLASS, 45470 Carmel Valley Road #2, Greenfield, CA 93927.
Registered Owner(s): PABLO G. MARTINEZ.

This business is conducted by an individ-

ual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 25, 2024.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions. Code the registrant knows to

such to Section 17913 of the business and Professions. Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punish-able by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). \$/Pablo Martinez

Clerk of Monterey County on March 25, 2024.

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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT
OF USE OF FICTITIOUS
BUSINESS NAME
File No. 20240647
Filing type: ABANDONMENT:
County of Filing: Monterey
Date of Original Filing: Dec. 2, 2020
File No.: 20202217
The following person(s) is(are) doing busing the provided of MARKET

following person(s) is(are) doing busi-as: NIELSEN BROTHERS MARKET,

ness os: NIELSEN BROTHERS MARKET, Northeast Corner 7th & San Carlos, Carmel, CA 93924. Name of Corporation of as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: VINZA COR-PORATION., P.O. Box H, Carmel, CA

73921. County of Principal Place of Business:

Monterey State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA This business is conducted by a

This business is conducted by a corporation.
S/Azniv Amirkhanian, President March 1, 2024
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 that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). I am also aware that all Information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 25, 2024.

Clerk of Monterey County on March 25, 2024.

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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

BUSINESS NAME
File No. 20240714
The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the ficitious business name: SEASIDE CADILLAC, 1725 AUTO CENTER PKWY SEASIDE, CA 93955, County of MONTEREY
The ficitious business name referred to above was filed in the County Clerk's office in MONTEREY County on 06/21/2021 Current File No. 20211480.
SEASIDE AUTO GROUP, LLC, 3 GEARY PLAZA SEASIDE, CA 93955, CALIFORNIA

This business was conducted by A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY.

LIABILITY COMPANY.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 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 that the registrant knows to be false is exitted.

registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).) S/ INDER DOSANJH, MANAGING

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of MONTEREY County on 04/04/2024.

Publication Dates: April 19, 26, May 3, 10, 2024. (PC 413)

4/19, 4/26, 5/3, 5/10/24 CNS-3802382#

CARMEL PINE CONE

MEMBER

on dates: April 12, 19, 26, May 3,

93921.

6277).

2024. (PC412)

Date signed: March 25, 2024 Clerk of Monterey County on March 25, 2024

File No. 20240724 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. riling type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PACIFIC WEST PHYSICIAN SERVICES, M-MOSTAFA MD., 7020 Valley Greens Dr., Apt. 16, Carmel, CA. 93923.
Registered Owner(s): RASHA MORAD MD.

This business is conducted by a corpora-

Ihis business is conducted by a corporation.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 7, 2024.

BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

S/Rasha Morad, MD, President
Date signed: April 8, 2024

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 8, 2024.

NOTICELLA accordance with Subdivision.

2024. NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name

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Publication Dates: April 12, 19, 26, May 3, 2024 (PC 414)

#### SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 24CV001428

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner, VICTOR MANUEL SANCHEZ-CASTANEDA, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A.Present name: VICTOR MANUEL SANCHEZ-CASTANEDA

SANCHEZ-CASTANEDA
Proposed name:
VICTOR MANUEL ROBLES
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 changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection of 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: May 31, 2024

Acopy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the datest for the state of the stat for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the fol-lowing newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine

Cone.
(s) Thomas W. Wills
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: April 8, 2024
Publication Dates: April 19, 26, May 3, 10,
2024. (PC 415)

#### NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20240650 The following person(s) is(are) doing

business as: LINDA BAXTER, 645 PINE ST MON-TEREY, CA 93940, County of MON-

TEREY
Registered Owner(s):
LINDA ROSS, 645 PINE STREET
MONTEREY, CA 93940
This business is conducted by AN INDIVIDUAL

#### BE PREPARED FOR EMERGENCIES

Register your phone number at ALERTMONTEREYCOUNTY.ORG Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE S/ LINDA ROSS

S/ LINDA ROSS
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 03/25/2024
4/19, 4/26, 5/3, 5/10/24
CNS-3796015#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: April 19, 26, May 3, 10, 2024. (PC 416)

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Clerk of Monterey County on April 9, 2024.

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#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20240751
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LARKIN ENTERPRISES, 2734
Pradera Rd., Carmel, Colifornio 93923.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

MONIEREY.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.:
WESTEK ELECTRONICS INC, 165
Westridge Drive, Watsonville, California 95076,

you/6. State of Inc./Org./Reg.: \_\_\_ This business is conducted by a corporation.

This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictificus business name or names listed above on April 10, 2024.

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 that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277). S/Kevin B. Larkin, CEO/President Date: April 10, 2024

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 10, 2024.

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision

Clerk of Monterey County on April 10, 2024, 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: April 19, 26, May 3, 10, 2024. (PC 419)

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE No. 23-368-MON: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED October 10, 2022. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On MAY 14, 2024 at 10:00 am, at the main entrance to the County Administration Building at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, Ca. 93901, The Foreclosure Campais Inc. or Tustos will sall at public question to be hisbatch bidder for each sure Company, Inc., as Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash (payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States) the following described property situated in the County of Monterey, State of California, described more fully within said Deed of Trust. This property is vacant land and is not subject to California Civil Code Section 2924m. The street address and other common designation of the real property described above is purported to be: 35046 Sky Ranch Road, Carmel Valley, Ca. 93924 APN: 417-081-063-000 The undersigned disclaims any liability for any in-correctness of the street address and other common designation shown here. Directions may be obtained by written request submitted within 10 days after the first publication of this Notice, to the Beneficiary c/o The Foreclosure Company, Inc., 827 Cedar Street, Santa Cruz, Ca. 95060. The undersigned disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation shown here. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding in a foreclosure sale under a lien secured by the property, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the country recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (408) 374-7204 or visit www.foreclosureco.com or www.nationvideposting.com and check Trustee's Sale #23-368-MON. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not hat are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not mmediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. Ihe best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the Power of Sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Michelle Vallentyne, an unmarried woman, as Trustor, Recorded on October 20, 2022 as Instrument Number 2022045622 of Of-

ficial Records in the Office of the Recorder of Monterey County. At the time of the initial publication of this Notice, the amount due to satisfy the obligation secured by the subject Deed of Trust, estimated costs, expenses, fees and advances is \$1,031,080.01. To verify the opening bid call (408) 374-7204, before the sale date. The Foreclosure Company,

The opening Dia Call (406) 374-724, before the soile date. The Professions Company, Inc., as Trustee, 827 Cedar Street, Santa Cruz, California 95060 By: Christina Leigh, Foreclosure Officer Date: April 10, 2024 This office is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose; whether that information is obtained verbally or in writing. NPP0459450 To: CARMEL PINE CONE 04/19/2024, 04/26/2024, 05/03/2024

Publication dates: April 19, 26; May 5, 2023 (PC422)

Publication dates: April 19, 26; May 5, 2023 (PC422)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20240739
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: YOUR CHEF YAZA, 3105
Lake Dr., Marina, CA 93933.
Registered Owner(s):
RACHELE YASAMINE SHAFAI, 3105 Lake Drive, Marina, California 93933
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/Rachele Yasamine Shafai Date signed: April 9, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 9, 2024.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision

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#### **COMMENTS**

From page 47A

#### Hotel congratulations Dear Editor,

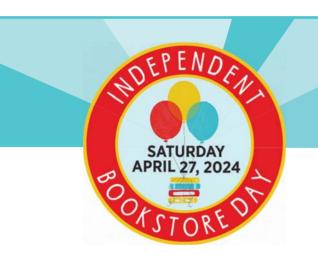
Congratulations to the Theis family for successfully winning unanimous approval of their plans to replace the Hofsas House.

In the 1930s Carrie Theis's mother commissioned Maxine Albro to enhance the exterior of Hofsas House with charming frescos. Albro and her husband, Parker Hall, were accomplished local artists with

work represented in Carmel and beyond. After Albro and Hall had completed their fresco work in Coit Tower in San Francisco, they were commissioned by Colonel Mack to create work for his new hacienda which is now part of Santa Catalina School. Albro also contributed to the San Francisco City College, the Santa Barbara Biltmore, other major venues and was an early member of the Carmel Art Association.

With the demolition of the Hofsas House in the future, I urge you to walk by and see these wonderful vestiges of early Carmel art history while you can.

Frankie Laney, Carmel



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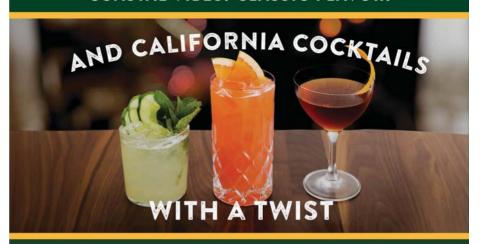
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20240578
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The tollowing person(s) is (are) doing business as: STITCHES STUDIO. 994 Ransford Ct., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.
Registered Owner(s): MELINA CORTEZ, 994 Ransford Ct., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.
This business is conducted by an individual.

ual. Registrant commenced to transact busi-

Government Code

PROJECT LOCATION:

the County of Monterey.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

ness under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Feb. 5, 2024.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a mischemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/Melina Cortez
Date signed: March 15, 2024

In accordance with §15072 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, this notice is to inform the public that the Carmel Area Wastewater District (CAWD) has completed an Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS-MND) for the Scenic Road Pipeline Replacement Project (project). The pipeline alignment is not on a list of hazardous materials sites enumerated under §65962.5 of the

The project alignment is located in the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea and unincorporated County of Monterey, California. The project alignment is generally along the Scenic Road right-of-way between Ocean Avenue and Martin Way in Carmel-by-the Sea, and between Martin Way and the existing Bay and Scenic pump station at Carmel Point in unincorporated Monterey County. The project alignment is also along Santa Lucia Avenue, San Antonio Avenue, Valley View Avenue, 15th Avenue, Carmelo Street, Camino Real, 14th Avenue, and Dolores Street, and private property associated with the Mission Ranch hotel and restaurant in

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY/NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE **SCENIC ROAD PIPELINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT** 

PROJECT TITLE: SCENIC ROAD PIPELINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

COMMENT PERIOD: April 19, 2024 through May 28, 2024 LEAD AGENCY: Carmel Area Wastewater District (CAWD) **CONTACT PERSON** Patrick Treanor, PE, District Engineer

(831) 257-0436

PUBLIC

208 Crossroads Blvd, Carmel

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 15, 2024.

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Publication Dates: April 19, 26, May 3, 10, 2024 (PC 421)

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT
OF USE OF FICTITIOUS
BUSINESS NAME
File No. 20240712
The following person(s) has (have)
abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: SEASIDE VOLKSWAGEN,
1735 AUTO CENTER PKWY, SEASIDE, CA 93955, County of MONTEREY

SIDE, CA 93955, County of MON-TEREY
The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in the County Clerk's office in MONTEREY County on 06/21/2021 Current File No. 20211479.

SEASIDE AUTO GROUP, LIC, 3 GEARY PLAZA, SEASIDE, CA 93955; State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CALIFORNIA
This business was conducted by A LIM-ITED LIABILITY COMPANY.
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 that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

S/ INDER DOSANJH, MANAGING MEMBER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of MONTEREY County on

MEMBER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of MONTEREY County on 04/04/2024.
4/19, 4/26, 5/3, 5/10/24
CNS-3803/46#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: April 19, 26, May 3, 10, 2024. (PC 423)

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
File No. 20240713

The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: SEASIDE CHRYSLER DODGE JEEP RAM, 3 GEARY PLA-ZA, SEASIDE, CA 93955, County of MONTEREY
The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in the County on 06/21/2021 Current File No. 20211479.
SEASIDE AUTO GROUP, LLC, 3 GEARY PLAZA, SEASIDE, CA 93955
This business was conducted by A LIM-ITED LIABILITY COMPANY.
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 that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of

a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/ INDER DOSANJH, MANAGING MEMBER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of MONTEREY County on 04/04/2024. 4/19, 4/26, 5/3, 5/10/24
CNS-3803744#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: April 19, 26, May 3, 10, 2024. (PC 424)

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT
OF USE OF FICTITIOUS
BUSINESS NAME
File No. 20240715
The following person(s) has (have)
abandoned the use of the fictitious
business name: SEASIDE CHRYSLER
DOGE JEEP RAM VOLKSWAGON
CADILLAC, 3 GEARY PLAZA, SEASIDE, CA 93955, County of MONTEREY
The fictitious business name referred
to above was filed in the County

REY
The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in the County Clerk's office in MONTEREY County on 06/28/2021 Current File No. 20211555.
SEASIDE AUTO GROUP, LLC, 3 GEARY PLAZA, SEASIDE, CA 93955
This business was conducted by A LIM-

SEASIDE AUTO GROUP, LLC, 3 GEARY PLAZA, SEASIDE, CA 93955
This business was conducted by A LIM-ITED LIABILITY COMPANY.
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 that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
SY INDER DOSANJH, MANAGING MEMBER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of MONTEREY County on

04/04/2024. 4/19, 4/26, 5/3, 5/10/24 CN5-3803734# CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: April 19, 26, May 3, 10, 2024. (PC 425)

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT
OF USE OF FICTITIOUS
BUSINESS NAME
File No. 20240717
The following person(s) has (have)
abandoned the use of the fictifious
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within soils that were previously disturbed during installation of the existing pipeline. There are existing sewer laterals located along the project alignment that connect each home to the sewer main. A total of 235 lateral reconnections would be completed on streets where sewer line replacement would occur. The purpose of the project is to replace aging wastewater infrastructure and improve the long-term reliability of the wastewater system. The improvements are not intended to increase conveyance capacity. FINDINGS/DETERMINATION:

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CAWD has prepared a Draft IS-MND for the proposed project and has determined that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment. CAWD will therefore consider adoption of the IS-MND for this

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Any written comments on the IS-MND should be sent to the attention of Patrick Treanor and must be received 5:00 PM on May 28, 2024. Written comments may be submitted via mail to 3945 Rio Road, Carmel, California 93923 or via email to <u>treanor@cawd.org</u>. Copies of the Draft IS-MND are available for review at the offices of CAWD, 3945 Rio Road, Carmel, California 93923 during the normal office hours of 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, and online at www.cawd.org. Publication date: April 19 2024 (PC420)

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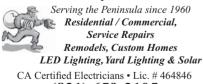
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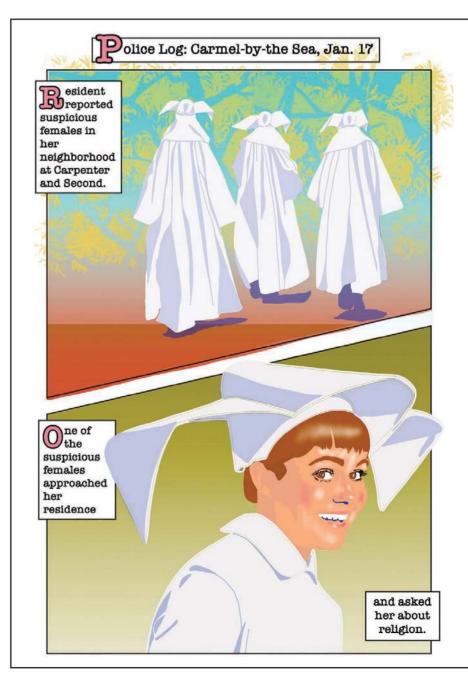


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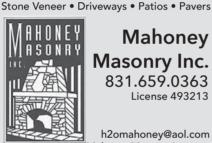
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