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Fire destroys Big Sur Bakery, threatens gas pumps

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE BIG Sur Bakery and Restaurant suffered severe damage when a kitchen fire broke out Friday just before 4 p.m. The blaze started in an oven, and an attempt to douse it with a fire extinguisher was unsuccessful, according to KSBW and KION. The smoke could be seen throughout the Big Sur Valley.

Volunteers from Big Sur Fire, whose station is just uphill from the restaurant, responded to the incident. When they arrived on scene, however, the building was fully engulfed in flames.

“Prior to arrival, crews saw a large column of black smoke and immediately requested additional personnel to

respond as well as the local U.S. Forest Service engine crew in case the fire spread to the vegetation,” Big Sur Fire reported. “The building was well involved and threatened two nearby galleries, an event space and several homes.”

Owners thank firefighters

Firefighters were able to contain the blaze, which not only destroyed the restaurant, but burned down a gardening shed. The fire erupted dangerously close to gas pumps, and other shops are close by, too. All are located on a property that’s known as Loma Vista, which is about a mile north of Nepenthe restaurant along Highway 1.

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PHOTO/(LEFT) IVY JAYNE LAVELLE, (ABOVE) BIG SUR FIRE

A fire that broke out Friday afternoon burned down a local landmark, the Big Sur Bakery and Restaurant. Thankfully, firefighters were able to keep the blaze from spreading to other buildings nearby, including a gas station.

First mention — It started with a filming permit

By ELAINE HESSER

DORIS DAY would have been 102 last month. Around here, she was more than a movie star, Grammy Lifetime Achievement winner and animal rights activist. She was a neighbor who worked tirelessly for local philanthropies, lending her name, her time and her considerable energy to make a difference in her community.

Born April 3, 1922, Day became a singer with the Les Brown band and on Bob Hope’s weekly radio show before finding her way to the big screen and into the hearts of fans. Although The Pine Cone ran many ads for her movies, it first mentioned her in a story on March 15, 1956.

The city council “granted Guy Curtis, representing a moving picture company, permission to film

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In 1989, Clint Eastwood presented Doris Day with a Golden Globe for her contributions to the film industry.

MISSING OWNER PAID HIS PROPERTY TAXES IN APRIL

By MARY SCHLEY

THE MYSTERY man who owns a corner lot at Casanova and 11th containing a 75-foot-tall and very dead Monterey pine paid his property taxes by personal check April 10, according to the Monterey County tax collector, but the city can’t find him to pass on the costs of removing the tree, which the Carmel City Council has declared a public nuisance.

Late Tuesday night, a divided city council decided a tree service will cut down the dead pine, which is located on a lot that was the scene of a deadly house fire in 2002, and taxpayers will foot the bill.

The property has been the source of city officials’ consternation for decades, and at the May 7 meeting, city for-ester Justin Ono asked the council to take the final steps so

County considers TOT increase

■ P.B. guests paid 41 percent of total

By CHRIS COUNTS

MONTEREY COUNTY needs more money to cover its growing expenses, so to address the budget shortfall, the board of supervisors is considering six options for boosting revenue, with an increase in the county’s 10.5 percent transient occupancy tax at the top of the list.

But pushback against raising the tax was swift when the topic came up at Tuesday’s supervisors meeting.

“Do you want to kill the goose that’s laying the golden egg?” 5th District Supervisor Mary Adams asked her colleagues.

The supervisor said she’s particularly concerned about the impact a tax increase would have on group tourism. “We’re finally getting our small business associations and conferences back,” she noted.

Adams — who represents the Monterey Peninsula and Big Sur, where most of the county’s TOT is paid — suggested there are better ways to raise the revenue, or reduce expenses.

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Big changes coming to home sales process

■ Buyers will negotiate commissions

By MARY SCHLEY

BEFORE SETTING foot in a home for sale, a potential buyer who wants a real estate agent’s help will soon be required to sit down and negotiate a separate contract with the agent, according to the terms of a settlement agreement negotiated by the National Association of Realtors and tentatively approved by a federal judge last month.

In an effort to resolve antitrust claims filed against the 1.5 million-member realtors group by Missouri home sellers and other similar groups, as well as by the U.S. Department of Justice, the Chicago-based NAR agreed to pay a \$418 million settlement and change the way sellers advertise their properties — as well as how commissions to agents on both sides of a deal are negotiated and paid.

Advertising

Fees, usually around 6 percent, have historically been split between buyers’ and sellers’ agents but paid entirely via the sellers’ closing costs. Buyers weren’t involved in negotiating those fees, which selling agents advertised alongside the properties they were marketing on the realtors association’s multiple listing service database in order to entice agents to bring them prospective buyers.

“What a buyer’s agent was paid had been negotiated between the seller and the listing agent when the listing agreement was signed,” Carmel Realty Co. associate broker Malone Hodges explained.

The settlement will put an end to all that, since buyers will be required to negotiate commissions with their own

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the towering dead pine, which is dangerous and at risk of falling, can be cut down.

Following on the council’s decision last month to declare the tree a nuisance, Ono posted notices that the pine would be removed, so that anyone with objections would have the opportunity to air them. He also recommended recouping the costs by placing a lien on the lot because the public works department has been unable to reach its owner, William Stoesser.

Stoesser inherited the property after the fire badly damaged the house and killed his grandfather, Eric Stoesser, more than two decades ago. At the time, the fire department concluded the blaze was started by clothes hung over the floor furnace.

Long a problem

The large pine has been dead for more than six months, according to Ono, and it’s leaning toward the street and over power lines. Using information from the Monterey County Assessor’s Office and city files, public works employee Tom Ford sent letters to “the Estate of Eric

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Sick pelicans getting care



PHOTO/SPCA MONTEREY COUNTY

This group of pelicans is among more than 80 that SPCA Monterey County has rescued and treated since April. The birds, which eat 25 to 50 pounds of fish per day, were found thin or emaciated and unable to fly.

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Sandy Claws

Loving life

Sophie has the eyes of a Maurice Sendak character — think “Little Bear” books — and the body of a beloved comfort toy. A parti-colored standard poodle, mostly, Sophie is gray and white, mostly. She also has a little black and maybe some features from another breed.

Sophie was one of four pups born in a litter in the Quail Lodge community. Since the mom’s family only needed one dog, Sophie went to a couple in Mid Valley, who were not only looking for companionship, but the catalyst for an active outdoor lifestyle.

They got both in Sophie.

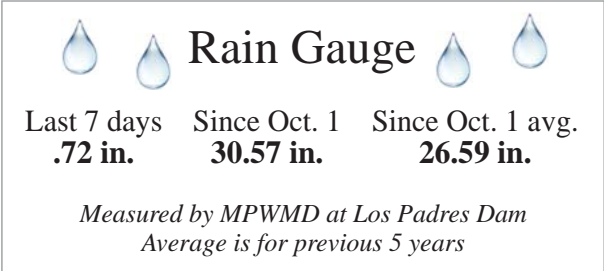
Now nearly 3, she joins Mom when hiking on the Mission Trails. Dad takes her to the expansive “dog lawn” at Quail Lodge, and their son likes to run her along that wide stretch of sand framing Carmel Bay.

“If there’s water, she’s in it, and we have a hard time getting her out,” her person said.

“We live on the Carmel River. If we can’t find her in the yard, she’s probably gone down to the river. Fortunately, she’s quite a swimmer.”

When Sophie’s not out exercising, she’s teaching her family how to nap.

“She sleeps wherever she wants,” her person said. “She’s got comfortable chairs, couches, her dog bed, our bedroom. She sleeps in our bed before we do and



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By Lisa Crawford Watson



then goes into her own. But we never know where we’ll find her in the morning.”

Apart from her family, Sophie’s best friend is their cat, Abby. She also has a pack of canine companions whose names she recognizes, so anytime her family mentions them, they have to spell them out, lest Sophie start looking for her friends.

“Sophie is a joyful dog, always exuberant, but not overwhelmingly so,” her person said. “She loves attention, loves a belly rub and a good game of fetch, loves her family, loves her life.”

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Cypress Inn gets Mills Act contract

By MARY SCHLEY

WITHOUT ANY of the debate or worries about losses in property taxes that have characterized similar hearings, the city council unanimously approved a Mills Act contract for the historic Cypress Inn at Lincoln and Seventh Tuesday night. In exchange for a significant tax break, owner Denny LeVett committed to a 10-year plan amounting to more than \$1.1 million in rehabilitation and maintenance of the nearly century-old property.

Built in 1929 and originally a single story, the hotel then called La Ribera was described as “one of the show places of the Monterey Peninsula and easily one of the outstanding buildings in Monterey County” when it opened, associate planner Katherine Wallace told the council May 7. The hotel was designed by the Oakland architectural firm of Blaine & Olsen, and a second story designed by noted San Francisco architect Gardner Dailey was added in 1949. In 1960, it was renamed Cypress West and then became the Cypress Inn in the 1980s under LeVett and late actress Doris Day’s ownership.

Protecting the asset

To qualify for the Mills Act, which provides tax breaks to owners who commit to a 10-year contract for the maintenance and preservation of a historic building, the property must be listed on the city’s historic inventory and register. While the original hotel and its 1949 addition are on those lists, a six-room expansion to the north completed in 2003 is not and will continue to be taxed at the current rate, since it’s a separate parcel.

The contract calls for \$1,114,000 worth of improvements, including repairing plaster, repainting, fixing plumbing, upgrading

electrical systems, and repairing and rehabbing windows and the Spanish tile roof, among other work. The plan must go beyond routine maintenance, and the building’s character-defining features cannot be significantly altered, damaged or diminished.

Wallace said that while the city would lose some property tax revenues — LeVett

will pay roughly 40 to 60 percent less, depending on calculations by Monterey County — “the value of preserving a historic resource offsets the loss of revenue.”

And for once, everyone agreed.

Former Mayor Ken White said the Carmel Residents Association board of directors unanimously supported a Mills Act contract for the Cypress Inn, and he praised LeVett and Day for saving what had become a bedraggled property by the time they bought it.

‘Magic wand’

“They waved their magic wand, which in those days was called money,” he said. “They cleaned and painted and washed and swept, and it looked like a castle, and they were happy. They’re asking for your help to raise the magic wand one more time.”

Addressing the impacts of granting the break in property taxes, attorney Anthony Lombardo said the contract will more than pay for itself by boosting hotel taxes for the city. “The project will be a tremendous improvement both to its mechanical function and its physical appearance,” he said, and as a result, average daily room rates, and therefore hotel taxes received by the city, are expected to increase from the \$623,000 the hotel generates annually to more than \$1.2 million a year by the time the improvements are completed.

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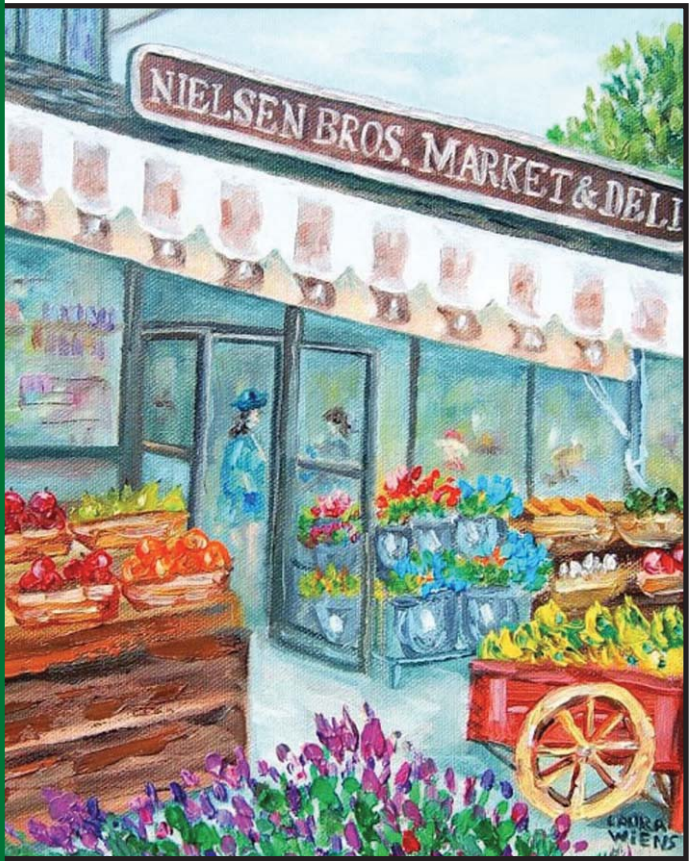
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Police &
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Dropping off a sandy cell phone

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.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

Carmel-by-the-Sea:

A 40-year-old male was arrested at Ocean and Carpenter at 0055 hours for DUI. The Carmel Valley resident was booked into Monterey County Jail.

Carmel-by-the-Sea:

Investigated a non-injury collision on Fifth Avenue. Vehicle towed.

Carmel-by-the-Sea:

A 72-year-old female was arrested at Forest and Seventh for being drunk in public. The Carmel resident was booked into Monterey County Jail.

Carmel area:

Riley Ranch Road resident reported an attempted cyber fraud.

Carmel area:

Deputies responded to a medical emergency on Carmel Rancho Boulevard. The coroner took over the case.

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

Carmel-by-the-Sea:

Officer responded to a dog observed on a balcony of a house

at Carmelo and Second that had been under construction. Contact was made with the construction company, and the dog was captured. The dog had been missing for a week and was returned to the owner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea:

Non-injury traffic accident on Fifth near Mission, vehicle vs. parked vehicle, at 1801 hours. The 44-year-old male driver was arrested for DUI. The Seaside resident was released on a citation to appear in court.

Pacific Grove:

Welfare check on an elderly resident on Maple Street.

Pacific Grove:

Subject was located deceased in a residence on Grove Acre Avenue. County coroner responded to the scene.

Pacific Grove:

Vehicles on Pine and on Laurel marked as abandoned.

Pacific Grove:

Information report regarding an attempted service of a restraining order on a subject on Monterey Avenue.

Carmel Valley:

Law enforcement investigated inappropriate contact between two 14-year-old males at a Carmel Valley Road location.

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in the Real Estate Section



The gavel falls

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

April 15 — Saul Edgardo Cerna, 44, a resident of Monterey, was sentenced to 40 years in state prison by Judge Andrew Liu after being convicted of one count of forcible rape of a child over 14 years, two counts of forcible rape, one count of forcible oral copulation of a child over 14 years, and one count of forcible oral copulation.

The charges constitute five strikes under California’s three strikes law. Cerna will be required to register as a sex offender for the rest of his life.

On Oct. 29, 2019, a concerned citizen observed Jane Doe running across the lawn at Colton Hall in Monterey, carrying a small child.

The citizen contacted Doe, who told him that she needed the police. He then assisted Doe to the police station and remained there to translate for her during her initial contact with the police officer.

Doe reported that Cerna, who is a blood relative of hers, brought her to Monterey from El Salvador at the age of 17. She came here voluntarily, seeking a better life in America. However, the first night she was here, Cerna violently raped her and continued sexually assaulting her for several years. These assaults resulted in a child.

Doe knew no one in this country who could help her, and Cerna monitored her calls home to El Salvador. It was only when Cerna made threats against their child that she found the courage to run and seek help.

This case was investigated by Monterey Police Officers Trevor Howell and Lidio Soriano as well as district attorney investigator Jose Lopez. Jane Doe was supported by the district attorney’s office victim advocate Estella Sanchez.

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Umpire was registered sex offender

By KELLY NIX

AN UMPIRE who officiated several youth baseball games in Monterey and Pacific Grove as recently as last week is a sex offender who was hired and provided by a local company, the president of the baseball league told parents Monday.

The unnamed umpire — a sex offender who is registered with the Megan’s Law sex offender registry — officiated boys’ games at George Washington Park in Pacific Grove on April 27 and May 2, and a game at Monterey’s Ferrante Park on April 1, according to Pacific Grove Pony Baseball & Softball president Paul Black.

New company

“Allow me to preface this email by stating that all of our children are safe, and no incident has been reported to raise any safety concerns,” Black told parents in the email message. “Unfortunately, our umpire contractor, Peninsula Sports Inc., employed an umpire that was a registered sex offender listed on California’s Megan’s Law website.”

Black said that the Pony executive board decided to immediately discontinue the services of Peninsula Sports Inc. — the

Seaside-based company he said hired the umpire and made him available for the youth baseball games.

“Effective immediately, all baseball and all softball games will be officiated by umpires sourced through Clubhouse831,” Black said.

Umpires hired by Clubhouse831 must pass a LiveScan background check, which is the same type of check that is required of all P.G. Pony coaches and board members, Black explained.

He told The Pine Cone Monday that the league found out about the umpire on May 3.

“I contacted PSI’s baseball director, Mario Morales, Friday night and notified him,” Black explained.

However, Black said that the organization “does not have evidence nor suspicion of a crime. To my knowledge, there is nothing for Pacific Grove Police Department or Monterey Police Department to investigate.”

A Pine Cone email message to the president of Peninsula Sports Inc. was not returned.

Black said P.G. Pony had contracted with Peninsula Sports, Inc. for at least a decade.

LAWSUIT: SEWAGE SPILL DAMAGED FARM

By KELLY NIX

A SALINAS farm is suing the city for a 2022 sewage spill that it alleges prevented it from planting broccoli on the property for two years.

Higashi Farms alleges in a May 6 complaint against the City of Salinas that on the morning of April 15, 2022, manhole covers connected to a city sewage line that passes through the property at 670 Ranch View Lane overflowed and waste flooded the farm.

Higashi said it had planned to plant


broccoli, but the spill forced it to cancel the crop for 24 months.

“The presence of the sewage rendered it unsafe and unlawful to plant crops in the affected lots from the initial date of the flooding until at least two years later,” the suit, filed in Monterey County Superior Court, says.

Higashi, which said the spill cost it to lose \$74,936 in lost revenue and \$10,000 in soil testing expenses, filed a claim with Salinas to be compensated for the damage


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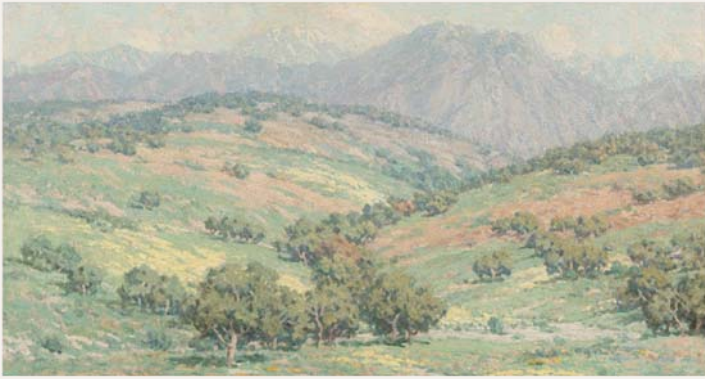
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Council votes not to hike hotel tax

By MARY SCHLEY

THE CITY'S 10 percent transient occupancy tax rate won't change this year, the Carmel City Council decided Tuesday night after hearing from several people who oppose the idea. Hotel taxes fund a significant chunk of the budget and are considered part of the Big Three revenue streams alongside sales and property taxes.

Because the council in the past put a possible TOT hike on its list of priorities, city clerk Nova Romero sought feedback May 7 so there would be enough time to get it on the Nov. 5 ballot. During the 2022-2023 fiscal year, TOT totaled \$7,454,145, indicating innkeepers generated \$74,541,450 in gross receipts from visitors. Romero said increasing the rate by two percentage points could raise an additional \$1.4 million.

Failed last time

When the tax was established in 1975, guests were charged 5 percent of the room price. The rate rose to 8 percent in 1978 and then to 10 percent in 1998. In 2005, voters were asked to increase the tax to 12 percent to raise funds for specific uses, but the ballot measure failed to reach the two-thirds majority required for special taxes. (Taxes that go to the general fund for unspecified use only require approval by a simple majority of 50 percent plus one voter.)

A general tax measure must be included on the ballot of an even-year general election, Romero said, while a special tax can be voted on during a special election.

In 2012, Carmel voters approved an additional 1 percent sales tax, with all the proceeds going to the general fund, and in 2020, they supported increasing the tax to 1.5 percent for a term of 20 years.

The hotel tax rate in unincorporated Monterey County is 10.5 percent, while a couple of South County cities charge 8 percent, three others levy 10 percent, a few Peninsula cities and Soledad tax guests at 12 percent, and Marina's rate is 14 percent, according to Romero.

'Ten percent on our room rates is a lot,' one hotel owner says

Mark Watson from Inns by the Sea said an increase would be a mistake. "Occupancy will go down" he predicted. "Supply and demand forces are real."

He also said that with recent improvements and renovations of some hotels in town, and a couple of properties coming back online after years of being closed, higher room rates will generate more tax dollars without an increase.

Mark Stilwell, who just opened his significantly renovated hotel at San Carlos and Fifth last week after two-and-a-half years and millions of dollars of work, made a similar argument. To learn the council was considering a TOT increase "was like a punch in the gut," he said.

"Ten percent on our room rates is a lot more than 10 percent on the rates that hotels in other cities charge," he pointed out, adding that he expects the average daily rate at his Stilwell Hotel to be around \$500, with guests paying \$50 per night in TOT plus another \$10 for the 2 percent hospitality improvement district tax, which funds marketing.

He also noted that after his wife remodeled their other hotel, the Tradewinds, the taxes it was bringing in doubled.

Too expensive

A couple of residents opposed the idea, too. Kristi Reimers, who lives in town and owns a store here, worried it would further drive people away from staying and

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Pacific Grove Police commander to fill in for absent police chief

By KELLY NIX

PACIFIC GROVE'S police chief — who has been working from home for about eight months after suffering an undisclosed work-related injury — is now on leave and an interim chief has been appointed while she's away, the city manager said this week.

Chief Cathy Madalone, 55, told The Pine Cone last October that she was given a special accommodation, in lieu of a full leave of absence, to work from home based on "physician recommendations and city policy." Madalone has declined to say how or when she was injured and started working from home but has called the arrangement "temporary."

This week, though, Pacific Grove's new city manager, Matt Mogensen, told The Pine Cone Madalone is not working.

'Where is she?'

"What I can communicate is that Chief Madalone will be out through June 7," Mogensen said. "Cmdr. Brian Anderson has been designated as acting chief in her absence and is well supported by Cmdr. Dawn Delfino. Both will continue to ensure that Pacific Grove residents and businesses continue to receive high quality safety services."

Her special work arrangement has concerned some citizens, including former P.G. City Councilman Dan Miller, who spoke up at the April 17 council meeting.

"Where's our police chief?" asked Miller, whose brother, Scott Miller, was

chief of PGPD for six years and also served as sheriff of Monterey County. "It's been eight months since we've seen the police chief."

Miller suggested that P.G. residents deserve to know why Madalone no longer works at police station on Pine Avenue with her officers and staff.

"We need an explanation as to what she's doing," he said. "Is she just going to work from home forever? Is she not going to come into the station? My brother said, 'You can't run a department like that.' You can't run it by Zoom. You need to be there."

In charge

While several sources told The Pine Cone that Madalone suffered an injury while driving a golf cart during Car Week last August, she has refused to confirm or deny the claim. She maintained in February that she was still in charge of the police force.

"I have been available to my team, city staff, and community members throughout my recovery and am working with my doctors to progress in my goal of getting back to work at the department," she told a Pine Cone reporter.

Madalone spent 25 years working in New Jersey's Bergenfield Police Department, including serving as chief, until her move to Pacific Grove in mid-2019. This year marks her fifth anniversary at PGPD, which is significant since she'll be fully vested in the CalPERS retirement system. She was paid \$246,937 in salary and benefits in 2022, according to publicpay.gov.



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P.G. High to get new principal

By KELLY NIX

A MAN who spent the past five years as principal of Soquel High School will take over as head of P.G. High, the superintendent of Pacific Grove Unified School District said this week.

Greg O’Meara, who will also be principal of P.G. Community High, the district’s alternative school, will replace Lito Garcia, who announced in December that he would retire as principal after four years. Superintendent Linda Adamson talked about O’Meara this week.

“He is an excellent fit,” Adamson told The Pine Cone Wednesday. “What excites me most about him is the success he had at his former high school.”

‘Supportive’

Adamson credited O’Meara for “transforming the culture” of Soquel High and said his colleagues and the superintendent of Santa Cruz City Schools had good things to say about him.

O’Meara’s “staff praised his efforts in building a positive, supportive, and safe environment for students and staff, which aligns perfectly with the values we hold dear at PGUSD,” Adamson said.

Under O’Meara’s leadership at Soquel

High, she said he spearheaded the expansion of career technical education, art, and music course offerings, “demonstrating his commitment to providing diverse and enriching educational opportunities for all students. He also engaged the community in planning for a new performing arts building, showcasing his dedication to enhancing his school’s facilities and resources.”

“But most of all, it is the priority that Mr. O’Meara places on building connections and a strong sense of belonging for every member of the school community [students, staff, and families] that stands out,” Adamson explained.

The PGUSD school board was expected to approve O’Meara’s hiring at a meeting Thursday night. Garcia and vice principal Larry Haggquist will work with O’Meara to ensure a smooth transition, Adamson said.

In December, Garcia said that after four years as principal, and a total of 30 years in education, he would retire at the end of the school year.

“As I have said many times, being a part of PGUSD and two incredible high schools is a chapter of my life and career that will always be important to me,” Garcia told parents and staff.

POLICE WARN OF SUSPICIOUS MAN

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

PACIFIC GROVE Police said Thursday that a Robert Down Elementary School student reported being followed by a man on the way to school.

Between 8:20 and 8:50 a.m., the juvenile said a clean-shaven man between 50 and 60 years old with spiked short gray or white hair and wearing a blue shirt, jeans and black shoes started following them near Sinex and Carmel avenues. The man was between 5 feet 10 inches and 6 feet

tall. Police did not disclose the man’s race.

“The suspicious male followed close enough that the juvenile student became afraid and ran the rest of the way to Robert Down Elementary School and reported the incident to the school administration,” PGPD said.

Officer Andrea Hill notified fellow officers, who PGPD said “immediately patrolled the neighborhoods around Robert Down.” While nobody was harmed, police are working with Pacific Grove Unified staff to identify the man.

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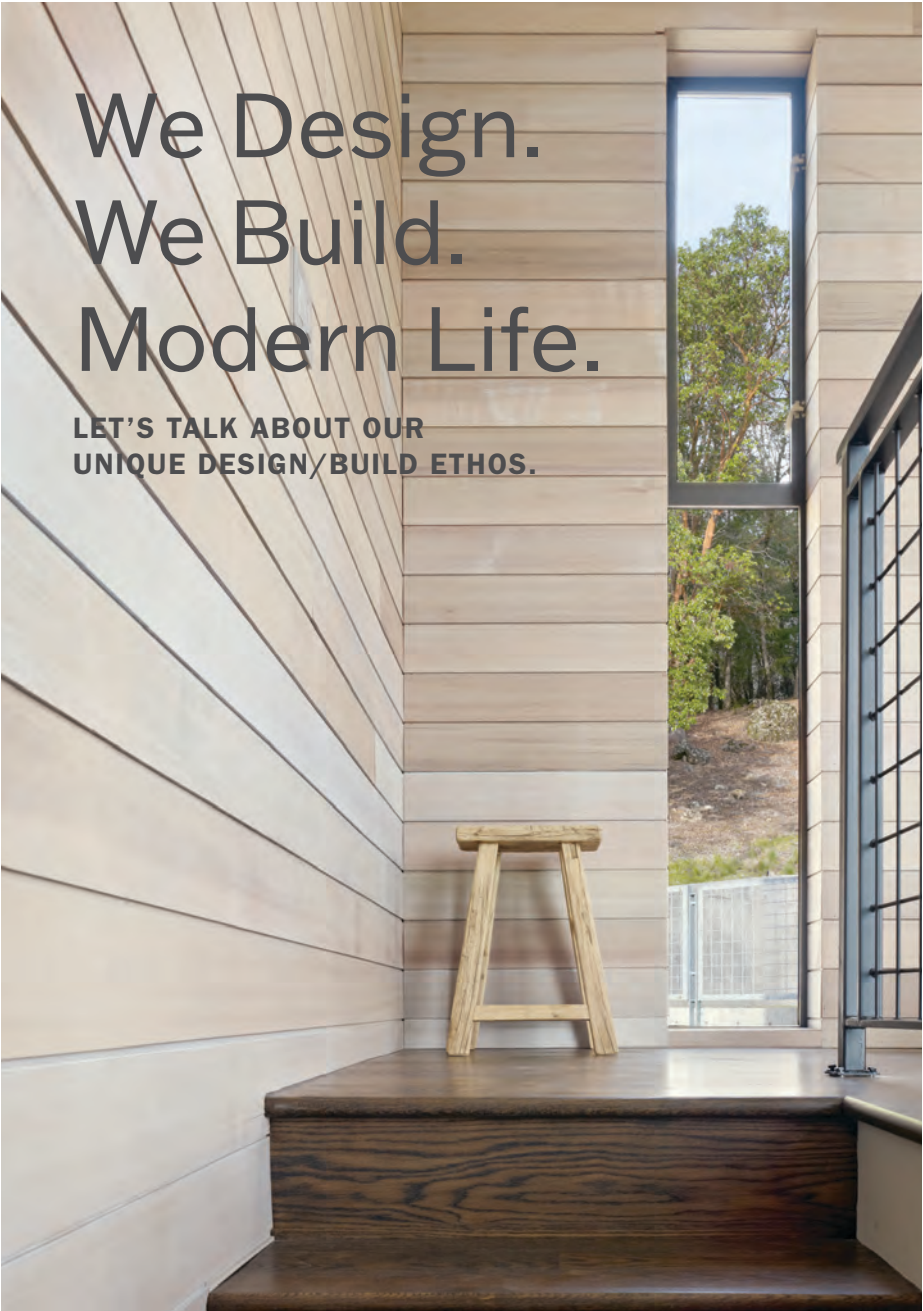
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Landmark building’s future is in limbo as county seeks group to care for it

By CHRIS COUNTS

WHILE ESCROW is set to close soon on the county’s purchase of a historic building in Carmel Valley, it’s still uncertain what the building’s future is.

Located at Carmel Valley and Robinson Canyon roads, it’s known as the Carmelo Athletic and Social Club Building.

Built in 1895, it once served as a site for “town-hall-style meetings, holiday celebrations, birthday parties, dances and Grange meetings,” according to Carmel Valley historian Elizabeth Barratt.

After the Carmel Unified School District chose to sell it, the county decided to buy the land to help facilitate a road improvement project — one that may or may not ever be built. If it is, the historic building will have to be moved, and either way, nobody knows what it will be used for in the future or whether it will be restored.

500 sign petition

A group of residents wants to preserve the former meeting room where it is. About three dozen supporters met April 21 to discuss their options, and around 500 people have signed a petition declaring that they want the building left alone.

But if it has to be moved, a viable site for its new home hasn’t yet been identified — or a group that is willing to pay for the work involved with moving and possibly restoring it.

“The county would like to have a local group organize itself so it could become caretaker of the building,” Rick Manning of the Carmel Valley Association reported.

According to county spokesperson Maia Carroll, if the group is formed, it would be responsible for gathering input “as to potential reopening uses and relocation sites within the Carmel Valley community” and investigating “management related duties associated with caretaking.”

Nile Estep, the owner of Hacienda in Carmel Valley — formerly known as Hacienda Hay & Feed — attended

the April 21 meeting, and he’s had preliminary talks about moving the building to his property, but nothing has been confirmed.

The county has hired an architect to assess its condition, which has been described as poor. “The county is currently conducting building and property-specific investigative reports and is within its due diligence period of escrow,” Carroll added.

If the building isn’t moved, would the preservationists be happy with keeping it in place, but without any public access? While some have suggested it could be put to use, others have said they would be happy if it’s simply left alone.

“People want to preserve it, even if it can’t be used,” said resident Paula Berthoin, who noted that the building serves to slow traffic. “That whole area needs more traffic calming measures, not fewer,” she suggested.

Leaving it in place

Planning commissioner and incoming Monterey County Supervisor Kate Daniels told The Pine Cone there’s no reason to move the building, which she called “a wonderful part of Carmel Valley’s history” and “a visual aesthetic experience that speaks to Carmel Valley’s rural nature.”

“I do not see the need to move it because of the extremely successful road improvement project that is already in place at that intersection and policies within the Carmel Valley Master Plan that do not allow for the widening of Carmel Valley Road at that location. Much like the Farm Center across the street, this is a part of our



PHOTO/PAT HATHAWAY

This photo of the Carmelo Athletic and Social Club shows what its surroundings looked like in the early 20th century.

history in Carmel Valley and it should be preserved — I think we can work together on a solution that keeps Carmel Valley’s history intact.

‘Forgotten men’ subject of foundation talk

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

A FILM telling the story of American aviators shot down over North Vietnam and held in prisoner-of-war camps for more than eight years will be discussed during a free talk and screening hosted by The Carmel Foundation in Diment Hall at Lincoln and Eighth at 2:30 p.m. May 15.


Thirty years in the making and still a work in progress, “The Forgotten Men” “includes the only footage ever allowed of the former POWs returning to the camps,” according to Gilda Soule of the foundation, and also shares how the men’s wives banded together to force the U.S. government to rescue them.

Producer-director Will Furman will answer questions after the screening. Everett Alvarez, born in Salinas, is one of the featured POWs. For more information about the foundation, a nonprofit that provides low-cost housing and meals, medical equipment loans, classes and other services, “all designed to help seniors thrive,” visit carmelfoundation.org.

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County hasn't spent fentanyl \$\$\$

By KELLY NIX

A DELAY by the Monterey County Health Department in distributing \$2 million to help combat the fentanyl drug problem in the county has “put lives at risk,” according to the results of a grand jury investigation released this week.

The intent of the grand jury query was to examine “the extent to which Monterey County public schools and other partners provide fentanyl awareness and prevention education in the community,” according to the 12-page document.

“Although Monterey County received more than \$2 million of opioid settlement funds in 2022 and 2023, it has yet to approve the final plan for the allocation of funds,” the report said. “This funding delay compromises countywide responsiveness to the fentanyl crisis and puts lives at risk,” according to the report.

It also contends that a lack of funding in county school districts limits expanding opioid awareness, paying for services offered by drug education agencies, training staff to administer the overdose-reversing drug Narcan, implementing youth leadership programs designed to broaden student awareness and providing “safe

spaces” on campuses to benefit youth mental health.

The report lays much of the blame in the funding issue on the Monterey County Health Department and the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, which it claims have not allocated \$2.7 million it received in November 2022 for drug prevention, treatment and education.

The grand jury recommended “immediate action” by the health agency to submit its final plan to supervisors for “swift review and approval.”

‘Complicated’

Health department spokeswoman Karen Smith responded to The Pine Cone’s questions about the delays in providing the fentanyl awareness funds.

“The fentanyl and opioid crisis is complicated and continues to require many partners in a wide variety of disciplines to respond,” Smith said. “Monterey County Health Department staff continue to work with community partners to finalize the plan for disbursement of opioid funding for outreach and engagement of youth and residents through direct contact and social

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FREE NARCAN AVAILABLE TO PARENTS

By KELLY NIX

THE PACIFIC Grove Unified School District schools is making an overdose-reversing drug available to parents, the superintendent said.

Superintendent Linda Adamson said that Pacific Grove Unified School District has about 900 doses of Narcan, a nasal spray, at its schools, and has a standing order with the state Department of Public Health for future orders.

“Parents can pick up Narcan at their

student’s school site or at the Adult Education School,” Adamson told The Pine Cone.

Narcan, also called naloxone, can rapidly reverse the effects of an opioid overdose and can save lives when properly administered. The school district started distributing Narcan two years ago.

The district is encouraging parents who pick up the Narcan doses to also watch a brief training video on how to properly administer the drug. The video can be found at shorturl.at/ioFJ8.

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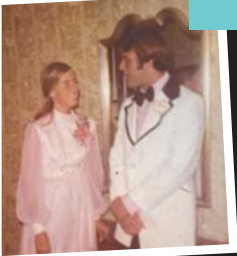
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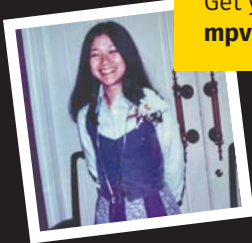
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Mom helped a stranger, hopes someone does the same for her son

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

NICK MICHELETOS, 22, has a profile that might make him a winner on a reality dating show. He is outgoing, energetic, athletic, with bright eyes and a broad smile. He enjoys long hikes, swimming and mystery novels, and he and his family divide their time between their ancestral home here and San Francisco, where Micheletos is studying chemistry in college so he can become a perfumer.

And he has only one kidney, which is functioning at 25 percent. And this brings us to his mom, who should probably be on a poster for Mother’s Day.

Nick’s mother, Holly Tanous Micheletos (daughter of renowned Carmel artist Joe Tanous) was 32 weeks pregnant when an ultrasound revealed a tiny blockage in

her urinary tract. At some point, the baby started taking in amniotic fluid through his mouth, but his body couldn’t process it. As it built up inside him, it damaged his bladder, ureters (tubes that carry urine from the kidney to the bladder) and both kidneys.

Double hip surgery

Nick had to be resuscitated at birth. His right kidney wasn’t functioning and his left was operating at 50 percent. His hips weren’t in their sockets — a side effect of the lack of amniotic fluid. Before his first birthday, double hip surgery left him in a cast from chest to ankle.

“This was my first child,” his mother said. “I think I was able to function because my mother, Louise Tanous, was still alive. She was an amazing human being who held me up. It was hard but, like my mom,

you do what you have to for your child.” (Some readers might remember Louise as a longtime teacher and guidance counselor at Carmel High School.)

When Nick Micheletos went off to kindergarten, he introduced himself to the class. “I have one kidney. I take medicine every day, and I have to wear a pull-up. I do everything like you, but I was born like this, so this is what’s wrong with me. If you have any questions, you can ask, but please don’t make fun of me.”

He was in third grade when his non-functioning kidney was removed because of constant infections.

Nick was 15 when he got a severe infection and his body began to give out. A kidney transplant would be needed in the next



PHOTO/COURTESY MICHELETOS FAMILY

Nick Micheletos and his mom, Holly Tanous Micheletos, have been through a lot in his 22 years. Now, they’re looking for a kidney donor.

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Hunt for missing package highlights post office problems

By MARY SCHLEY

COMPLAINTS OF mail and packages gone astray at the downtown Carmel post office — where residents must go to collect their parcels, magazines, bills, letters and other items, since most of the city lacks house numbers — are not rare. And while some patrons give up in frustration after running into walls regarding the whereabouts of their deliveries, Renee Lambert simply refused to let it go.

It took three months and numerous emails for Lambert to get the Amazon shipment containing the electric razor and wood glue her husband had ordered. The box had been in one of the lockers at the Fifth Avenue post office all along, it turned out, due to an employee’s error — even though Lambert said she was repeatedly told it had never been delivered.

The saga began Jan. 18, when the Lamberts, who live at Mission and Vista, received a delivery confirmation from UPS. Postal customers find notices or locker keys in their boxes when their packages have been delivered, but after the Lamberts received neither, they asked for help finding it.

Bringing a printout of the delivery confirmation to an employee at the counter did no good. “My husband showed her the details with her name as the signer, and

she replied that everyone uses her name to sign for deliveries,” Lambert recounted in a Feb. 11 email to the mayor, city council and city administrator Chip Rerig. “She could not assist in locating our package.”

Lambert then filed a customer complaint with the postal service and received an email from someone named Linda Pearson pointing out that the tracking number was not a USPS number, suggesting Lambert “contact the seller so that they may follow up with the delivery company retained to deliver the package,” and arguing that winter storms were the problem.

“There was a severe storm that hit our area, leaving our Carmel-by-the-Sea office without power, and it was too dark to allow customers to retrieve their mail safely,” Pearson wrote.

Oz?

Lambert replied that the early-February storms had nothing to do with the whereabouts of a box delivered in mid-January and explained she had proof of delivery, so talking to Amazon or the shipper wouldn’t do any good.

“I want this case escalated — the

package is at the building, somewhere,” she wrote. “Your response is unacceptable.”

Her reply went unanswered.

In her letter to the mayor and council, Lambert wrote, “The ‘severe storm’ excuse would only be true if the building was carried away, like in ‘The Wizard of Oz.’”

“How is there no control of packages in 2024, within a business whose main function is sending and receiving packages?” she asked. “What if the package was given to someone else? Was it taken by an employee? Since it wasn’t a USPS package, no one cares about the serious failure of quality control.”

Lambert also told them no one ever answers the phone at the post office — a common complaint among customers not just at the downtown location, but at Via Nona Marie and in Monterey, as well.

A couple of days later, city staffer Emily Garay provided Lambert contact information for postmaster Jorge Gonzalez, who oversees the downtown and Via Nona Marie locations, and district customer relations manager Marsha McFayden.

On Feb. 25, Lambert emailed Gonzalez,

with a cc to McFayden, detailing the saga and asking what he planned to do about it.

“I am out both my money and the contents of the package as a result of the package being lost while in the custody of the Carmel post office,” she wrote. “What are the potential remedies or recourse available to me in this situation?”

She said the missing delivery calls into question “the integrity and efficiency of the package tracking system” employed by the post office. “I am left to wonder if such occurrences are symptomatic of incompetence within your facility or if there are other underlying issues at play.”

‘Dismissive’

Lambert also lamented the employees’ “dismissive and uncooperative attitude,” which she attributed in part to the fact that the shipper had been UPS, not the postal service.

“As a customer who entrusts your establishment with the timely and secure delivery of my mail, I expect transparency and accountability in addressing this matter,” she said.

Gonzalez replied two days later that he’d follow up that afternoon after investigating.

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City trying to get post office reopened

By MARY SCHLEY

TWO WEEKS after a Pebble Beach resident crashed her car into the front of the Carmel post office, part of the building remains unsafe and unusable. Package pickup is available via the Dolores Street entrance, and the P.O. boxes are accessible from there, too. But if you want to buy stamps or send a certified letter, you have to go to another post office.

Meanwhile, the driver, 74-year-old Rebecca Rousso, has been ordered to visit the DMV for a reexamination, according



PHOTO/MARY SCHLEY

The front lobby and counter area of the Carmel post office remain closed two weeks after a car smashed into it.

to Carmel Police Sgt. Michael Bruno. She was not cited for the crash, which she was unable to explain at the time.

Rousso was parked in the handicap stall in the off-street parking lot directly across from the front doors on Fifth Avenue when her Tesla Model S “took off,”

sped forward about 40 feet out of control, missed a pedestrian in the crosswalk by approximately 1 foot, and crashed into the front of the post office,” causing severe damage to the building and the car, Bruno said at the time of the April 25 crash. The driver wasn’t injured and did not appear to be impaired, while the pedestrian was shaken but also unhurt.

No permits, yet


In the aftermath, building official Jermel Laurie declared the front section of the post office, where customers go to buy stamps, mail parcels, purchase money orders, and the like, unsafe to occupy, and it was boarded up.

“It has been indicated that a contractor has already been secured to begin the work once authorized,” Laurie told The Pine Cone this week.

By Wednesday, the plywood and caution tape on the front of the building had been screened off with a couple of sections of security fence, but the sidewalk remained open, and patrons are still being directed to the doors on Dolores Street. Wheelchair users and others who can’t navigate stairs have no way

to get inside.

“The building permit application has not been submitted yet but is expected soon,” Laurie said. “The city is actively working to ensure the post office opens its main entrance to the public as soon as possible.”



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Ferlito: Numbers won't trigger mail delivery

By MARY SCHLEY

ASSIGNING STREET addresses recognized by the U.S. Postal Service would not lead to home mail delivery, Carmel City Councilwoman Karen Ferlito said Tuesday night, but it would make living in the city safer.

Ferlito, a member of a council committee assigned to research the polarizing topic of assigning house numbers, said she met with the postal service's address systems manager, as well as the fire and police chiefs, and researched the fire code requirements for house numbers.

Opponents have argued that assigning street addresses will destroy some of the charm of the city and might eliminate trips to the post office that serve as social

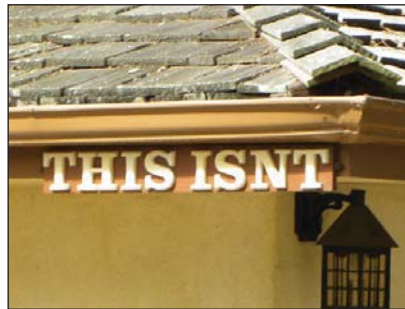
engagement, while proponents have said it will make it easier for public safety to find accurate locations during emergencies and have also complained about the difficulties of obtaining certain services, loans and federal documents without having a verifiable street address.

Post office stays open

"Implementing a street address system will not trigger at-home delivery," Ferlito said the committee learned. "Specifically, the USPS manager stated the local post office will not close, the mail delivery system will remain as is, and the USPS is the authority for street address systems."

If residents and businesses are assigned

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Since the city lacks street addresses, to help people locate their houses, residents often give them charming names. But the California Fire Code requires house numbers, a councilwoman says.

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Montage mentor program a success

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

MONTAGE HEALTH this week shared success stories of two former students who took part in a mentorship program for minorities.

Montage Health Foundation’s Minorities in Medicine, founded by Dr. Juan Magaña, a physician at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula who was born and raised in Salinas, provides opportunities for underrepresented and low-income aspiring medical professionals in Monterey County. Its goal is to create opportunities for students to further their education and careers in medicine.

“This program is designed with

mentorship, financial support and hands-on clinical experience to assist in the complex process of applying to healthcare programs like medical school,” Montage said.

Mitchell Parr, Jr., a former Minorities in Medicine participant, was accepted into the UC Davis School of Medicine and will start classes in the fall, Montage said. Another former participant is set to graduate from the same medical school.

“Monterey County communities need more healthcare professionals, and we need them from diverse backgrounds,” Magaña said. “For the past 16 years, I’ve dedicated my life to the advancement of underrepresented students in the health sciences.”

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La Playa staff members clean beach



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EMPLOYEES FROM La Playa Hotel teamed up with Save Our Shores to clean Carmel Beach on Earth Day, hauling off 73 lbs. of trash and 4 lbs. of recycling, according to Christopher Blasdale, the hotel’s “people and culture manager.”

“Save Our Shores hosts beach cleaning events across the whole of Monterey Bay, and they provided our team with the grabbers, gloves and buckets needed for the cleanup operation,” he said. “We set off for a blustery morning start and were soon filling our buckets with plastics, bottle tops, discarded dog waste bags, odd shoes, cigarette butts, broken beach toys and golf balls.”

Blasdale said La Playa’s staff hope to undertake another cleanup effort soon, “because for our guests and for the community, every day is Earth Day.”

HOTEL

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shopping in an already expensive destination when they can find cheaper digs elsewhere.

Without much discussion, Mayor Dave Potter remarked that he’d prefer not to proceed with a ballot measure and suggested taking the idea off the table for now. Councilman Bobby Richards agreed, and while councilwoman Alissandra Dramov said she generally opposes raising taxes, she’d consider an increase to 11 percent if the

additional money would be used to fund a housing trust. That idea failed to gain traction with the rest of the council.

Councilwoman Karen Ferlito said she’d like to see revenue estimates from a tax increase compared to the funds the city might get from a paid-parking program, a concept that has been repeatedly discussed, studied and then mothballed.

“We need more money,” she said.

Councilman Jeff Baron wanted to pursue it.

“The city is under budget pressure. We need another revenue source,” he said, but the rest of the council voted 4-1 against undertaking a ballot measure this year.



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“Crews aggressively fought the fire which took about an hour to fully extinguish,” the volunteer fire brigade said on Facebook. “Twelve Big Sur Fire personnel with their engine and water tender worked hard to douse the blaze and contain it to the building and an adjacent shed.”

While the restaurant suffered severe damage, no other buildings were burned and no injuries were reported.

“We are all deeply saddened by the destruction of the Big Sur Bakery and Restaurant, and trust the community will come together again and support them during this difficult time,” Big Sur Fire added.

Rebuilding

The owner of the complex, Hillary Lipman, told The Pine Cone that the restaurant building was constructed in 1937 by Alice and Steve Jaeger.

The couple operated a diner in the front and lived in the back. Alice was a descendant of two of Big Sur’s prominent early homesteading families, the Pfeiffers and the Posts. Jaeger and her husband also opened the first gas station in Big Sur on the same property.

The Big Sur Bakery, owned by Mike Gilson, opened in 2001 and quickly

became a favorite for locals and visitors. Lipman, who bought Loma Vista in 1995, gave a shout-out to Big Sur Fire “for their amazing response.”

“They couldn’t save building, but stopped the fire from spreading,” to the adjacent gas station and other buildings, he said.

“Yesterday, we lost our historic building and one of Big Sur’s most beloved institutions in a fire,” said Hilary’s son,



PHOTO/PINE CONE FILE

The restaurant at Loma Vista in Big Sur was built in 1937 by Alice and Steve Jaeger. The couple operated a diner in the front of the building and lived in the back.

Blaise Godbe Lipman. “Although we are no stranger to fire, this one hits hard.”

While the restaurant was badly damaged, Blaise conceded it could have been “a much bigger disaster,” and he, too, thanked Big Sur Fire “for their hard work.”

Blaise also announced plans to bring the building back to life. “I look forward to rebuilding and continuing our Big Sur legacy,” he said.

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DAY

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a sequence Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, in which Doris Day will get out of a car in front of the Mediterranean Market and go inside, to be further photographed making a call from a phone booth. It is a murder thriller, and other sequences will be filmed at Yankee Point and Pebble Beach. Reservations for 50 movie people, actors and technicians, have been taken at Village Inn and La Playa Hotel.”

The movie was “Julie,” starring Day

and Louis Jourdan. Reportedly, Day fell in love with the area during filming, but 25 years passed before she moved here.

On Nov. 19, 1981, a reporter noted that, “Beautiful Doris is deserting her big-city digs for her spacious ranch in Carmel Valley, and that means a gigantic move, which is now in process. Doris, who has her own pet foundation, will now have room for her beloved pets, and as soon as she gets settled, she’s going to chat with us about her pet foundation.” The ranch was built for Day, who appeared to have settled happily into her new digs.

One reason celebrities have chosen to live here — apart from the village’s

obvious charm — is they know the local paper won’t hound them about what they picked up at Bruno’s or Carmel Drug Store, and their neighbors will respect their privacy. It’s unsurprising, then, that several years passed before there was another significant mention on July 18, 1985, when there was a press conference at Pebble Beach promoting her new TV show about animals, “Doris Day’s Best Friends,” which would run on the Christian Broadcasting Network. It was a big to-do, with locals Merv Griffin and Eva Gabor, along with the last public appearance of Day’s former co-star, Rock Hudson. A week after the event, he announced he had AIDS, and he died that October.

won Best Director for “Bird” — presented Day with the Cecil B. DeMille Award for lifetime achievement.

Day was often involved in fundraising efforts for all sorts of charities, including the Clint Eastwood Spaghetti Western BBQ and Auction for the Carmel Youth Center, a fashion show for the SPCA (for which she respectfully declined to serve as a model), and another fashion show for the Forest Theater Guild.

At the end of November 1989, she and Eastwood joined others in a fundraiser for Pajaro-area victims of the Loma Prieta earthquake. In 1990, she became a Pine Cone columnist, writing “Doris Day’s Best Friends,” about pet adoption, pet care and related topics.

In 1991, she made local and national news by suing The Globe, a tabloid. It printed a story that called her a “semi-recluse who some nights wanders the streets looking like a bag lady.” This, no doubt, was news to Day’s neighbors. She ultimately settled for an apology.

Mentions of Day and her charitable work continued without interruption until Nov. 26, 2004, when The Pine Cone carried the sad news of Melcher’s death.

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Displaced goats

In March 1986, Day presented an award to Ed Haber, then president of Quail Lodge, recognizing his contributions to animal welfare, including “offering the lodge property as a home to displaced goats and burros,” the article said.

She also joined the honorary board of directors of the new Monterey Film Festival, a duty she shared with Joan Fontaine, Clint Eastwood and other notables. She attended the inaugural event with her son, Terry Melcher, in early 1987.

Day made a splash in the March 10, 1988, social column, when she and Melcher, and Melcher’s wife, Jacqueline, joined Denny and Karen LeVett as owners of the Cypress Inn.

At a party thrown to celebrate the new partnership, Day said, “I have always felt a part of this wonderful community. What an extra joy to be a partner and to help restore it to its tradition of hospitality and warmth,” The story said that the hotel would welcome pets, and that Denny LeVett was shopping for pet beds for all 33 rooms. Later that year, Pine Cone cartoonist Bill Bates was quoted saying that he had received a fan letter from the actress and that he was a fan of hers, as well.

In 1989, the city was well represented at the Golden Globes when Eastwood — who

‘Her most charming’

For 10 years after that, there were no significant mentions of the actress, until she unexpectedly showed up for a birthday party/fundraiser for animal rescue groups that was given in her honor at Quail Lodge in April 2014. Said LeVett, who attended the event, “She was at her most charming and most energetic,” and stayed until 11:30 p.m., “meeting and shaking hands with everyone.”

Day died May 13, 2019, and The Pine Cone ran a front-page obituary with many locals commenting on her legacy. Doug Lumsden, owner of Monterey Movie Tours, summed up her relationship with the city by saying, “Just like it is for Clint Eastwood and Betty White, Carmel is always going to be known as her town. She was someone very, very special.”

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TOT

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“I think we need to share the burden as a county,” the supervisor said. “We need to look at ourselves far more clearly and take an approach that is looking at decreasing expenditures.”

The county collected \$38 million in TOT in the last fiscal year and nearly \$22 million in the first two quarters of this one.

Supervisor Glenn Church, who represents North County, pointed out that the other counties we compete with for tourists have higher TOT rates.

Church reported that Monterey County instituted its hotel tax of 10.5 percent in 1965, and the number remains unchanged, though rooms rates have multiplied many times during the past 60 years, and hundreds of rooms have been added to the county’s supply.

“Every county in the state has adjusted its TOT in that time period,” he said. “Napa County is at 13 percent, Marin County and San Francisco are at 14 percent, and there are quite a few at 12 percent, including Santa Barbara and Sonoma counties.”

As a comparison, Carmel has a 10 percent hotel tax, while Monterey and Pacific Grove have 12 percent rates.

Higher taxes, fewer tourists

A number of speakers showed up to the hearing to oppose taxing the hospitality industry, including Rick Aldinger, who represents the Monterey County Hospitality Association.

“A higher TOT will certainly result in lower room occupancy rates, which means fewer visitors to our destination, fewer diners in our restaurants and fewer shoppers in retail locations — and that’s going to result in lower sales tax revenues, and maybe more importantly, fewer hours for our already struggling work force.”

Representing the Pebble Beach Co., Kathleen Lee spoke against raising the hotel tax. Lee noted that the company employs 1,800 people — and resort guests paid \$16.1 million, or 41 percent, of the county’s total last year.

“Additional increases certainly will impact the company and the overall impact to our guests and our ability to compete with the jurisdictions for that group business,” she said.

Other options for balancing the county’s ledger include include increasing the sales tax, establishing a new utility user tax, reducing the amount of money the county

contributes to its unfunded pension liability, and lowering its contributions to organizations reducing the amount the county contributes toward a fund that compensates county employees for time off accrued when they leave, that promote economic development.

A slap in the face

Adams came out against establishing a utility tax, which she called a “slap in the face” to people already facing sharply higher utility bills, and was unenthusiastic about a sales tax hike. “I don’t think voters have an appetite for that,” she said.

To come up with a solution to the budget shortfall, Adams told her fellow supervisors, “We have to be realistic, we have to be practical and we have to be strategic.”

Supervisor Wendy Askew, meanwhile, emphasized the need to come up with the money.

“We are talking about our ability to keep paying

employees,” she said. “We’re talking about our ability to continue delivering services to communities, and we’re talking about our ability to have funding available for our capital infrastructure needs.”

A county report released in March noted that despite “continued growth in discretionary revenues,” the boost “is not sufficient to keep up with the increased costs of doing business.”

Askew made a motion to direct staff “to gather more information about raising the sales and hotel tax” and poll “voter sentiment” on the options. “Let’s find out what out the voting public has an appetite for,” she added.

The motion passed unanimously, and the supervisors agreed to revisit the topic in the coming weeks.

If supervisors decide raising the hotel tax is the best option, the proposal would go on the November ballot for voters to decide. The deadline for getting the measure on the ballot is Aug. 9.

Air taxi company expands Marina facility

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

JOBY AVIATION announced last week that it has broken ground on a 220,000-square-foot expansion of its manufacturing, maintenance and pilot training facility at the Marina Municipal Airport. The facility — which Joby said will bring hundreds of new jobs to the area — will be used to develop the company’s all-electric, vertical take-off and landing air taxis for commercial passenger service.

“We’re thrilled for Joby Aviation as it continues to expand in our region,” Monterey Bay Economic Partnership President and CEO Tahra Goraya said. “We are committed to partnering with Joby and other stakeholders to support the workforce and infrastructure investments that further economic growth and resilience in the region.”

Joby said that the expansion of its production line marks a decade of continued growth for the manufacturer and will more than double the its manufacturing footprint at the Marina airport.

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Jobs

Joby, which said it plans to invest \$41.3 million and create 690 additional full-time jobs in the state by 2027, has 50 full-time positions open at the Marina facility. Once the expansion is done, it will create about 200 more jobs, the company said. During a groundbreaking ceremony last week, Joby rolled out its second production prototype aircraft, which will join its first production prototype aircraft at Edwards Air Force Base later this year.

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MAIL

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But he didn’t, nor did he respond to Lambert’s follow-up email March 14, so on April 7, she wrote at greater length of her disappointment with the lack of response.

“It is evident that the lack of professionalism we have experienced is not an isolated incident but appears to be pervasive from the top down at your location,” she concluded.

The next day, he called her, but she told him she wanted all correspondence in writing.

“Well, your package is at a parcel locker and the keys are in the mailbox,” he wrote April 8. “I would like to explain in details over the phone but you don’t seem interested in having a one-on-one conversation. Have a great day.”

While she was pleased the package had miraculously materialized, Lambert was not happy with Gonzalez’ reply and his refusal to explain the situation in writing. She aired

her grievances in another email to McFayden asking why issues at the post office — which have also been the subject of many one-star Yelp reviews — are greeted with “a pervasive apathy.”

McFayden replied on April 11 that she’d talked to Gonzalez, who explained that “his employee transposed the parcel locker numbers and that your package was located.”

“I was disappointed to hear the package was in the locker all along and the appropriate action was not taken back in February when you first contacted us,” she told Lambert.

USPS apologizes

She also said that despite the delivery confirmation, the tracking number didn’t appear on the post office’s UPS log, “so it was assumed not to have arrived.”

McFayden said she would seek an apology from Gonzalez.

“I never heard back from the postmaster but really didn’t expect it,” Lambert told The Pine Cone this week, adding that she most resented being lied to. “I would like

to know if any changes will be made, but I don’t know if there is any more I can do at this point.”

USPS spokesperson Meiko Patton, based in Sacramento, responded to the complaints and Lambert’s experience and said the phone has gone unanswered at the post office due to recent problems with the phone lines.

She also defended the response to Lambert’s initial request that postal staff search for her mislaid package.

“A proper search was conducted, but because the employee transposed the numbers on the package, the package was not found until later,” she said, though she did not address the customer being told it had not been delivered at all. “We sincerely apologize for this human error.”

“Carmel-by-the-Sea is unique in that residents only have post office boxes. There are over 4,000 boxes, which is why it is a requirement to have post office box numbers on each package,” she continued. “Every day, our employees sort through hundreds of packages at this post office. At times, human error will occur. Once again, we sincerely apologize.”

KIDNEY

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year. Despite tests of potential donors among family and friends, no one was a match. Then, unexpectedly, he got better, and the crisis was averted. Yet they knew it wouldn’t be his last. His family, hoping to avoid dialysis — a temporary solution — knew their son needed a kidney.

“Realizing we would be asking someone to donate a kidney to Nick, I decided to pay it forward and become a living donor to an unknown recipient,” Holly said. “I was 56 by the time I donated, which started with the most comprehensive physical exam of my life. While I felt like I’d been hit by a Mack truck afterwards, I have to say, menopause is worse than donating a kidney.” She has met

the recipient, who recently sent her a text that said “I just had my 30th birthday, thanks to you.”

In addition, the family participates in the Northern California Kidney Foundation Walk, which will take place on June 23 in San Jose.

“Around 18,600 people in California are waiting for a kidney,” Holly said. “In 2023, 2,700 kidneys were transplanted, and 1,106 people died while waiting. Nick’s kidney disease is hovering at Stage 4; Stage 5 is failure. If you’re healthy, consider donating your spare. Nick has a wonderful sense of humor and is a bit of a rascal. He is inspired by those who are living healthy, fulfilling lives. His grandmother taught him to cherish the simple pleasures in life, and he understands the value of that wisdom.”

To learn more, visit kidneywalk.org/northerncal. To donate to Team Nick, click on the “donate” button, select “team” on the next screen and type in “Team Nick.”

NUMBERS

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street addresses, they’ll still have to go to the post office to retrieve their mail and parcels.

Further bolstering the argument for assigning house numbers, Ferlito said, the California Fire Code requires that the city have “house and building numbers visible from the street.” “It’s a matter of public safety,” she said. “The fire code provides standards to protect and promote

community safety.”

And while the fire and police chiefs strive to train their employees to understand and navigate the city’s unique address system, “and the community has benefited from their diligent commitment,” emergency responders have occasionally ended up at the wrong address, Ferlito noted.


“When it comes to public safety, seconds can make all the difference, and having street addresses could be another tool public safety personnel could use to keep the community safe,” she said.


Ferlito asked that the city council take up the issue. “I would like to see that come before us very soon,” she said.

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BUYERS

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agents, as well as signing agreements outlining what services they're paying for. Selling agents will also no longer be able to include their commissions on MLS listings, though they will still be able to negotiate with buyer agents offline. Those and other changes are expected to take effect by the end of July, even though the settlement isn't slated to receive final approval from the judge until November.

Dan Lynch, CEO and managing director of Carmel Realty Co., said buyer broker agreements — which basically commit the agent to showing the buyer property and providing an array of services through the close of escrow in exchange for a fee — are not often used in local markets but are common elsewhere.

"The process of having an agent ask a buyer to sign an agreement prior to showing them property is new and will take some additional training," he acknowledged. Lynch said his firm is providing materials and instruction to agents to address what he expects "will be a short-lived discomfort."

Talk about it

There are no specific requirements for commission rates — which Lynch said have long been negotiable and transparent in California — or how they are calculated (percentage vs. flat fee), and the contract can run for as long or as short as desired. It could also list which specific services the realtor is expected to provide vs. tasks that may be handled by the buyer.

"What's changed is, going forward, we will sit down before we look at properties," Hodges said. "I'll explain my role, responsibilities and value. We agree on compensation in writing, and now we have a contractual relationship that lasts a day, a week, three months — that's the real difference."

Lynch predicted a typical plan "would be to give an agent several months to help find a home for the buyer and then to facilitate the long list of escrow activities," and said he expects the fees will be consistent with what they are now. (Analysts nationally have suggested the settlement will lead to lower commissions and home prices.)

The contract also helps ensure the buyer will stick with that realtor through the entire process. "In the past, without a buyer agreement, buyers might engage an agent for a long time but could bail out and leave the agent without any compensation," Lynch said.

Out of pocket

If during the process of negotiating a purchase the seller doesn't offer to pay the buyer's agent's commission from the proceeds of the sale, the buyer will have to provide it out of pocket — which also means it can't be included in the loan.

"We are being told the agreement will ensure the agent's fee will be paid by the buyer unless the seller is offering a buyer's agent concession," Lynch said. "We believe most sellers will see benefit in offering these concessions."

Lynch also argued that working with agents who are experienced and well informed, especially regarding the complexities of real estate on the Monterey Peninsula and the high prices that are common here, is well worth the fees they charge.

"We expect that when buyers are asked to sign an agreement, they will likely do more diligence to be sure the person they are contracting with comes from a reputable firm and that they have exceptional local knowledge and experience," he said.

"The biggest challenge in the industry is explaining the changes in the structure," Hodges said. "The work is not going to change — I'm still going to be giving my all on behalf of my clients. We have always talked about value and compensation with sellers, and now we will be doing so with buyers as well."



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ANN CUMING
Dec. 14, 1931-March 17, 2024
Ann Davis Cuming passed away in Cameron Park on March 17, 2024, at the age of 92 from complications from a hip fracture.

Ann is survived by her son, David Gray, and daughter-in-law, Deb Gray; her daughter, Betsy Grant, and son-in-law Ney Grant; her stepdaughter, Sadie Cuming, and her husband, Mike Timms; and her stepdaughter, Shena Cuming, and her husband, Alan Taylor. She is survived by seven grandchildren, Belyn Grant, NeyJ Grant, Matt Eddy, Seth Eddy and Nick Eddy, Morgaine Timms and Braden Timms.

Ann grew up in Berkeley California where she received her bachelor's in English. She went on to marry her first husband, Glenn Gray, and had two children. They lived off and on in Monterey, Carmel and Southern California. In the '70s she moved back to Monterey where she lived and taught kindergarten for decades until she retired. In her 40s she married her second husband, Michael Cuming, who was the love of her life. When she and Michael married she added two stepchildren to her family.

Ann found great joy in all her relationships with her family and felt very lucky to have so many wonderful people in her life. It made no difference to her how those family members joined her circle.

Ann and Michael had an adventurous joyous marriage and loved the years they spent on their houseboat on Lake Powell. They also traveled extensively through Europe and Mexico. Ann frequently mentioned how grateful she was to have met Michael and had a second chance at a happy fulfilling marriage.

Ann loved art, especially folk art and was a talented artist herself. She drew, painted watercolors and did beautiful imaginative acrylics. She often said if she could go back and do it all over again she would have been an art major in college. However she always derived great joy from her time as a teacher.

Ann will be greatly missed by her family and friends but it is a comfort to all of us to know she had a long and happy life.

INN
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Attorney Gerard Rose noted the application has “widespread support in Carmel-by-the-Sea, and for good reason,” and LeVett’s daughter, Kate, assured the council and the public the inn will continue to be owned and operated by the family.

Next generation
“I have lived and worked in Carmel-by-the-Sea my whole life,” she said. Responding to rumors that the hotel is on the market and will be sold, she promised that “if and when” her father decides to retire, “the Cypress Inn will eventually be taken over by the next generation of LeVetts.”

“Please help me and my family keep the Cypress Inn as a place which makes all of us happy and proud,” she said. Inn general manager Peter Radler reminded the council of LeVett’s longtime commitment and presence in the



Olga Masten Economakis
1935 - 2024

Olga “Gay” is home. She left here, for the wide, wide world, 70 years ago with smiles, laughs, and skies filled with sailing, white birds. She captained her own ship through calm and stormy seas, marrying, mothering three fine boys, and sallying out to tilt many windmills. Her adventures in this life come to rest and the energy that made her who she was moves on to other things.

Sail on.

city, and other residents, including Tasha Witt and Kristi Reimers, voiced support as well.

“This is a fine example of an important historic building in the downtown historic district,” resident and historic resources board member Karyl Hall said. “This isn’t about the owner — as much as we love the LeVett family — it’s about the building.”

Hall also asked the council to reinstate the Mills Act program, which has been put on hold — the Cypress Inn’s being the last of those already in the pipeline when the council decided last year to stop accepting applications.

“It is the only tool we have for assuring owners maintain their historic properties,” she said.

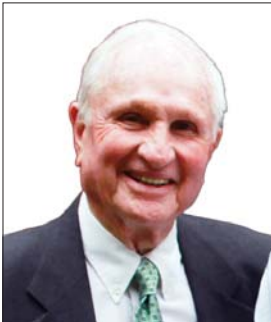
Council members Karen Ferlito, Jeff Baron and Alisandra Dramov have all been critical of the Mills Act and its tax impacts in the past. On Tuesday, they were the only eligible council members to vote on LeVett’s application, since Mayor Dave Potter and councilman Bobby Richards own property near the inn.

“I see there are definite needs,” Ferlito said. “I am actually very happy to support this tonight.”

‘Checkered history’
Ferlito praised LeVett for being a good steward of the hotel and keeping it open for people to enjoy, and she said she was “absolutely delighted to hear from your daughter that your family is going to retain this property.”

Dramov echoed Ferlito’s comments and described the inn as “a local landmark under local ownership.”

“I know I have checkered history with the Mills Act, but I don’t think it would be legitimate for the city to deny your contract when we’ve approved every other contract in town,” Baron said, even though he has long been the dissenting vote on other Mills Act contract. And with that, the application received a 3-0 vote from the council.



ROBERT JOSEPH RIGNEY, JR.
Robert Joseph Rigney, Jr. passed away on April 4th, 2024, in Monterey, California.
A memorial Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, May 21st, 2024, at 10 a.m. at the Carmel Mission Basilica, 3080 Rio Road, Carmel
To see Bob’s full obituary, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/bobrigney>

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BARBARA ELAINE UPDYKE

Barbara Elaine Updyke (née Peercy), aged 86 of Carmel, CA, passed away early on the morning of April 17, 2024, peacefully and surrounded by family at the home of her daughter in Royal Oaks, CA. Born on January 17, 1938, in Nashville, TN, she was the daughter of the late Minnie Bell (Dobbs) and Ollie James Peercy, Sr.

Barbara dedicated her life to her family and her career in nursing, graduating from the Los Angeles County General Hospital School of Nursing in 1957 and earning her BSN from California State University, Chico in 1965. She was known for her strong work ethic as well as determined and compassionate care.

Barbara was preceded in death by her husband, LCDR Thomas Edward Updyke (USNR); and her grandchildren, Joseph, Julie and Daniel. She is survived by her brother, Ollie James Peercy Jr.; daughters, Cheryl Vivian (partner K.C. Mullaney), Sharon Updyke (husband Erik Welch), Angela Updyke-Brunet (husband Dr. Russell Brunet), and Jennifer Updyke (partner Luke Robert); grandchildren, Timothy, Justin, Lillian, Charlotte, Robert, Isabella, Lucy, Catherine, Aron, Forest, Nikolai, Elijah and Benjamin.

A founding member of the Monterey Bay Aquarium and a long-time member of the Sierra Club, Barbara was deeply committed to environmental conservation. She diligently participated in the Nurses’ Health Study, and contributing valuable data over many years. Barbara also served with the Peace Corps in Pasto, Colombia in the late 1960s, demonstrating her commitment to global health and community service. Her passion for the outdoors was also expressed at her home in Carmel, where she spent countless hours gardening and feeding the birds and squirrels from her deck. This love of nature she passed on to her daughters, who all grew up to be strong-willed and independent-thinking women.

Barbara often attended services at the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Pacific Grove. She cherished the community and spiritual nourishment it provided. Barbara also enjoyed engaging in meaningful discussions with Jehovah’s Witnesses, appreciating the depth of their scriptural conversations. She also enjoyed the tradition of midnight Mass at the Mission in Carmel.

Known for her wit, Barbara’s typical response of, “mean as ever!” when asked about her well-being, will be fondly remembered. Her resilience and strength were notably displayed following the tragic losses in her family.

A memorial service will begin at 10 a.m. at the Seventh Day Memorial Church in Pacific Grove on Tuesday, May 14th, followed by a private interment of her cremains with the family. The family requests that donations in Barbara’s memory be made to the Monterey Bay Aquarium or the Sierra Club.



MISSING

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Stroesser” — with the last name misspelled and without using the heir’s first name at all — at an APO in Kabul, Afghanistan, where the tax bills have also been going, and to a Marina address last December.

“Although this notice was sent to the property owner’s last address of record, a response was not received within 30 days,” Ono said in his report. “The letter was returned with a label indicating the recipient no longer lives at that address. As such, adequate notice has been given to the property owner, but the nuisance has not yet been abated.”

‘A blight’

He said city staff would keep track of the costs of cutting down and removing the tree so they could be levied against the property.

“Following any public comments or objections, council may raise, lower or accept the amount of the abatement cost, and the determination of the council shall be final,” he said in his report.

The property has long been the subject of multiple complaints by neighbors and city officials. Piles of debris and garbage in public view, according to records in

the property file were pervasive until the grandson (and now owner) helped clean up the mess in late 1994.

More than a year after the fire, the wreckage remained, with a city report noting that the “house is boarded on all windows and ‘police line’ tape is still hung around the lot. Very unsightly and a blight on the neighborhood. ‘All the neighbors are tired of the mess.’”

The younger Stoesser was in charge of the property but was in the Army National Guard at the time and was struggling with tax and insurance issues, according to the city file.

By April 2004, everything but the two-car garage had been demolished, and nothing has happened there since — other than a city complaint in 2007 regarding orange netting around the lot that was later cleaned up by city crews.

At Tuesday’s council meeting, residents Melanie Billig and Christy Hollenbeck said Stoesser has served his country and suffered the tragedy of his grandfather being killed in a fire, and should therefore not have to pay the city back for the tree removal.

Councilwoman Alissandra Dramov, who voted against declaring the tree a public nuisance at the April meeting because she didn’t think it was fair to make Stoesser pay for its removal, said she planned to do so again for the same reason.



NICKY (NICK) ALBERT

Nicky (Nick) Albert, son of Nicandro (Nick) and Virginia Albert, was born on May 18th, 1950, in Carmel, Ca. He was the second of eight children and their oldest son. Nick attended grade school in Monterey and graduated from Monterey High School in 1968 and Monterey Peninsula College in 1970.

In the summer of 1968 Nick met the love of his life, Patricia Ann Harwood, while working at Yellowstone National Park. Nick and Patricia married on June 22, 1970, and had four daughters.

Nick attended California State University, Sacramento, graduating in 1972. Nick and Patricia lived throughout the Northern California area, including the cities of Sacramento, Monterey, San Francisco and Arcata, before building their dream home in Freshwater, Ca in 2010.

Nick was known for his devotion to his family, his loyalty to friends, and dedication to his job as a Fish and Game warden throughout the Humboldt County area. He was a devoted member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Nick lived a life filled with love, adventure and unwavering dedication to his family and community. A captivating storyteller, drawing from his experiences in the field and his family life, Nick brought joy and laughter to those who knew him. Even in his last days, he enjoyed hearing those stories from friends and family. Nick was never afraid to stand up for what was right and could be counted on to defend others when needed.

On Saturday, April 13th, 2024, Nick passed away due to complications related to ALS, leaving behind a profound legacy of love, service and an unwavering spirit. Though gone, he will forever be remembered by his loving wife, Patricia, his four daughters, and his extensive family and community. A true hero, Nick’s impact will continue to be felt by all who were fortunate enough to know him.

Nick was preceded in death by his parents, Nick and Virginia Albert; and his sister, Robin Cazaux. He is survived and forever remembered by his wife, Patricia; their daughters, Michelle Caisse (David), Jennifer Fritzsche (Karl), Kristen Hodges (Charles), and Nicole Taylor (Robbie); his sisters, Valerie Szody (David) and Jill Barnes (Verdis); his brothers, Marc (Debbie), Matthew (Jeri), Barry (Mary), Adam (Diane), brother-in-law David Harwood (Barbara); and his uncle, Dan (Joann) Albert. Nick is also survived by his nine grandchildren, Isabelle, Koen, Jonas, Addyson, Fisher, Willow, Olive, Nicky and June and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

A memorial service will begin at 1 p.m. July 12, 2024, at 2351 Freshwater Road, Eureka, Ca.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to the ALS Association at [als.org](https://www.alsa.org).

“I worry what’s going to happen with the city putting a lien on this property,” she said. “I wish we could have done more to contact him or cover the costs.”

“I don’t know why we can’t absorb the cost of the removing the tree,” councilwoman Karen Ferlito agreed. “He’s a serviceman, and we can’t find him.”

No-interest loan

Councilman Bobby Richards said he was comfortable with putting a lien on the property, since it would be akin to loaning Stoesser the money. The lien would be paid when the property is sold, if not before then.

“I’m completely fine with fronting the owner of this property the money with no

interest,” he said.

After a motion to do as Ono recommended was made and seconded, Ferlito made a substitute motion to declare the tree a nuisance and have it removed, but to waive the costs for the owner. It passed 3-2, with Richards and councilman Jeff Baron dissenting.

The 6,000-square-foot lot has an assessed value of \$57,277, according to the county, and the property taxes are up to date, including a payment of \$1,655.21 that was received on April 10, according to records at the assessor’s department.

The tax collector’s office said Stoesser paid the sum, which also included back taxes that were due last December and a penalty, by personal check.

JACQUELYN ‘LYNNE’ POWERS

Our beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend, Jacquelyn “Lynne” Powers, née Latham, born May 16, 1932, in Los Angeles, passed away May 2, 2024, in Salinas, two weeks shy of her 92nd birthday. A longtime resident of Monterey, Lynne attended Occidental College, the University of Hawaii, and graduated with a teaching credential from California State University Los Angeles. She lived and taught elementary school for many years in China Lake, a naval station in the Mojave Desert, broken up by three years in Germany. She moved to La Jolla and entered law school, where she clerked for a San Diego superior court judge and volunteered at the Mexican American Legal Aid Society. Then, she opened a law practice and worked in bank trust departments.

Lynne was an active volunteer and member of AAUW, the ACLU, Mensa and the Unitarian church. Her great joy was being a docent at the Monterey Bay Aquarium, which she did for 15 years. A lifelong folk dancer, she also loved sailing, hiking, and all things ocean. She leaves behind a legacy of intellectual curiosity, love of music, and exploration of the world.

She is survived by four children: Jennifer Hassett, Cheri Powers, Kiera Benidettino, Eric Powers; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and a brother, Keith Latham.

A memorial will be held June 15 at 2 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church of the Monterey Peninsula, 490 Aguajito Road, Carmel.

Contributions in lieu of flowers preferred to the Monterey Bay Aquarium.



CAROL ELAINE DENTON

Carol Elaine Denton, passed away on Wednesday, April 24th, 2024, in Carmel, California, after living with dementia for several years. In the early stages of her career, Carol worked as a staffer for Senator Robert Byrd from West Virginia. Later, she became a successful businesswoman, owning and operating many businesses across Missouri, Maryland and Colorado, until she discovered Carmel. After falling in love with Carmel, she decided to call it her new home and established roots through her women’s retail clothing stores. With her life partner, Todd Tice, they expanded into men’s clothing and opened The Club in 2006. She used her businesses as a platform to mentor and help launch the careers of several young women, creating a lasting legacy. While a very private person, Carol was known to her friends and family for her kind and generous spirit, and she always welcomed colleagues and friends into her home. She supported the arts, loved nature and was always willing to help others and lend a hand to those in need. Todd, her employees and friends will deeply miss her. Those who knew and loved her feel blessed to have had her in their lives.

Editorial

Rain and climate change

WITH THE three-quarters of an inch of rain we got last weekend, the Peninsula has now received more than 30 inches for the year, making this the third out of the last six when we’ve reached that lofty threshold — a remarkable statistic for a community where the average, historically speaking, has been fewer than 20 inches of rain per year, and where, in the drought years of the early 1990s and mid-2010s, we had multiple years when only 5 or 6 inches of rain fell.

Anyone who lived here during the parched years will never forget them, not only because of all the shriveled gardens, unflushed toilets and regular reports on the TV news about the possibility local aquifers would actually run dry, we were also constantly warned that we’d have to get used to living with draconian conservation measures because climate change was making drought the “new normal” — a phrase repeated so often, it was practically a mantra.

From the beginning, though, the idea that a warmer planet would be a drier planet was obviously false. Even a minimal understanding of the hydrologic cycle, combined with a bit of objective reasoning, yielded the conclusion that a warmer planet would invariably be a wetter planet. But in their passion and haste to alarm everyone, political leaders, environmentalists and even some scientists made sure to link every bit of bad weather, including drought, to climate change.

They’re still doing that, but now the umbrella is on the other foot. Now it’s raining — a lot.

“Deadly dam bursts in Kenya and Brazil, a highway sliding down a mountainside in southern China, desert airport runways underwater in Dubai, mining pits flooded in Australia: Large parts of the world are awash,” said a story in the May 6 Wall Street Journal. “Extreme rainfall and killer floods that have struck around the globe in recent weeks have been unexpected both in their location and power. Combined with infrastructure unprepared for such deluges, the intense rains have caused death, destruction and mass evacuations on several continents.”

That’s pretty strong stuff. And reporter Eric Niiler also didn’t hold back when laying out some regional examples.

“East African countries were soaked with 4 to 20 inches of rain during April, up to six times the normal amount depending on the area, according to data from the National Weather Service’s Climate Prediction Center,” his story continued. “Nairobi, Kenya, received nearly 12 inches over a seven-day period, bursting dams, burying towns in mud and turning city streets into deadly rivers. More than 10 inches fell in a single day in Dubai, submerging its international airport’s runways under at least a typical year’s worth of rain. And record rainfall totaling 17 inches across the month inundated Guangdong province, in southern China, where on Monday a section of a highway collapsed in a mountainous area, killing 48 people.”

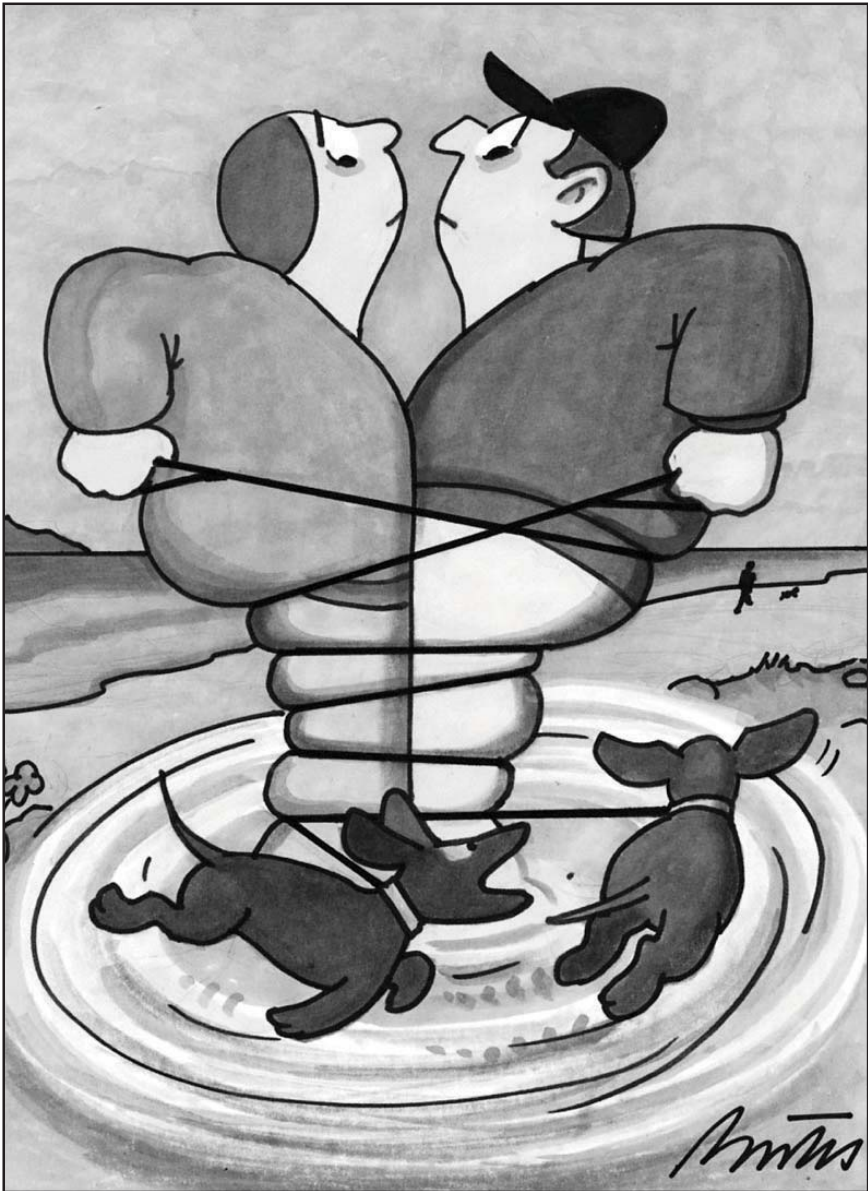
All those downpours, the WSJ said, were the result of “natural weather patterns being supercharged by a record-breaking year for global temperatures.” And why is that happening? Because, “as the globe gets hotter, it is getting wetter, too. Simply put, the warmer the air, the more water it can hold.” Niiler concluded.

Last year, the EPA posted a very similar analysis on its web page. And now, as the Journal’s story shows, the idea that “floods are the new normal” is beginning to take hold in the national media.

All this presupposes that the earth will continue to heat up — something that seems likely, considering that global CO₂ emissions continue to rise sharply, mainly because India and China are burning more and more coal, overwhelming the efforts of large numbers of Californians to drive electric cars and cover their houses with solar panels. So is it time for the Monterey Peninsula to adjust its building restrictions and water conservation requirements? Will all that rainfall make fresh water plentiful, even for us?

If you are sure that the planet will continue to get warmer, the answer is yes.

BEST of BATES



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‘Misplaced priorities’ Dear Editor,

Thank you to The Pine Cone for publishing the story on Carmel’s efforts to curb the California “Daylighting Bill,” which restricts parking near crosswalks.

Perhaps I overlooked the city’s solicitation for input from its residents on this issue before they decided to take exception to it, but I would certainly like to suggest they reconsider their position. As a homeowner and pedestrian in our community, I can offer an example of a well-frequented crosswalk where parked cars block a driver’s view: right outside Sunset Center at San Carlos and Ninth. I’ve had more than one car never see me and our dogs standing between parked cars waiting to cross. Applying the new rules will render this crossing much safer for all concerned.

But I would be remiss if I didn’t share the irony I found in this article as regards to parking spaces. In this instance, the city

is championing the retention of a modest number of spaces around crosswalks because parking is at such a premium and so important to the tourist trade in our city that we can’t possibly lose parking in the name of pedestrian safety.

On the other hand, the city failed to defend our neighborhoods and the considerably greater number of parking spaces afforded in the North and South Lots of Sunset Center, choosing instead to act unilaterally — even after assuring those of us nearby to the contrary — to convert those lots and its public parking to multi-unit, high density housing. I suppose the city imagines the residents in proximity to the future-defunct Sunset Center parking lots won’t mind having the debris, congestion, and considerable overflow of multiple vehicles and people parking around our homes and driveways. Because, as I believe we were recently told, “everyone has to do their part.”

It is my contention that in these two instances the city has profoundly misplaced priorities.

Julie Dormandy, Carmel

‘Perspective’ Dear Editor,

Seeing how your May 3 editorial embraces the 1960s’ anti-Vietnam war, civil rights, and environmental protests, I wonder if it has ever occurred to you that in 60 years the current student demonstrations are likely to also be looked upon as successful and necessary efforts to improve the world.

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Happily, she’s a natural storyteller

WHEN KIRSTEN Stember joined a Monterey Bay Aquarium field trip to the Sea of Cortez for teachers, she discovered what she wanted to do with her life. They saw where grey whales birthed their calves, they snorkeled, and they stayed next door to where Steinbeck wrote “The Sea of Cortez.” She said the trip was “the first time I realized how very much I wanted to teach outdoor education. I had my teaching credential but didn’t want to be confined to a classroom. I wanted to be outside.” Two years later, she and her husband camped near the Steinbeck home on their honeymoon.

Stember was born and raised on the Monterey Peninsula, a product of the Pacific Grove school system and a 1985 graduate of P.G. High School. She attended UC Santa Barbara, where she focused on literature and environmental science, then transferred as to UC Santa Cruz, graduating with a degree in literature. After completing a secondary teaching credential at Chapman University, she returned to UCSC for her adult education credential.



Kirsten Stember

Short commute

During college, she worked for the Pebble Beach Equestrian Center. It was the perfect job, as she had only to walk across the street from her home to go to work.

“I began leading horseback trail rides through the forest and through the dunes to the sea, and I loved it. I grew up riding horses.” One day, a little Arabian was brought into the center’s courtyard, and it was love at first sight. She began leading rides on him but discovered he was to be donated to the UC Davis riding program.

“With my heart on my sleeve I told the

what songbirds do in the winter?” I believe such stories ignite a desire to be caretakers and stewards of our natural world. That’s my ultimate goal,” she added.

In 1995, she began teaching preschool and kindergarten at the now-defunct Pacific Oaks Charter School in Pacific Grove. Then, Gail Root of Pacific Grove Adult Education and founder of Parents’ Place (a parent-education program), asked Stember to create and teach a class titled, “The Wonder of Science.”

“Parents’ Place is where people come with their children to learn in a parent/child enrichment setting,” explained Stember. She has been with Parents’ Place for 26 of its 40 years, teaching two to three classes a week and eventually becoming its program specialist and coordinator.

She was hired in 1998 by a tour company to lead interpretive walks at Point Lobos and interpretive kayak tours on the bay. “I did that for many years, and I loved it all: the walking tours because they began my relationship with what is considered the world’s greatest meeting of land, sea and sky, the kayak tours because they were all about ocean life and the Monterey Bay Sanctuary.” She shares her passion for the ocean with her father — a Ph.D. fisheries biologist — as a result of time they spent together fishing on the bay.

River of anchovies

Preparing for and leading interpretive ocean kayak tours, she learned about the natural history of sea otters and kelp beds, sea lions, dolphins, whales and the great varieties of fish that inhabit the bay and surrounding coastal waters.

Her descriptions of her experiences included, “waters at times teeming with ocean sunfish or beautiful jellyfish, or a time when you see rafts of otters with their babies, or an otter pops up alongside you.

“One morning, I had a humpback whale breach right behind me as it was feeding on a river of anchovies,” she recalled.

She also spoke of meeting Jeff Froke in 1999. He wanted to make the diverse beauty of the 20,000-acre Santa Lucia Preserve and the majesty of its stands of California giant redwoods available to the public. He asked her to develop an environmental educational program to facilitate that vision, and, since she was with her 6-month-old baby when they met, he added, “You can teach and bring your children along.”

Stember and her colleague, Julie Sigourney, developed the curriculum, taking into account the interests of teachers, students, the organizations that are the Preserve’s participants, and the natural bounty of the land. Their work led to 125 classes yearly,

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Mending what’s been broken to create a new perspective

SOME OF the earliest memories of Susan Hyde Greene include watching her mother’s female relatives — sisters, aunts and cousins — as they sat in a sewing circle and chatted.

“As they talked, I started to notice that they were really healing themselves,

Jim, a U.S. Navy rear admiral, spent 18 years as a researcher at the Naval Postgraduate School and retired in 2020, three years after his cancer diagnosis.

“Yeah, it was bad, but at least he got to be home for the last five months of his life,” she said. “He loved this house, loved the birds, loved our garden...”

An environmentalist, Jim worked with the American Chestnut Land Trust, Henry’s Fork Foundation, Tuolumne River Trust, and the Teton Regional Land Trust, serving each as an advisor and board member.

Carmel’s Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

because they’d all had hardships of one kind or another,” she said. “I was maybe 7 or 8 then. My mother also was sort of emotionally fragile, and I believe that was the first time I started to think about art and healing.”

Greene, one of the best-known fine-art photographers on the Monterey Peninsula, is a mixed-media artist whose work often involves “piecing together broken parts of images of our world,” she wrote on her website.

‘Stitch by tiny stitch’

“It’s natural for me to explore the seemingly futile idea of mending troubled waters, stitch by tiny stitch, in the hope that humans will one day come together with real solutions.”

Part of her art practice involves dissecting her own images, then reassembling those fractured pieces into a sort of photographic quilt.

A series she called “Beauty in the Time of Ugly” is from 2020, when Covid forced everyone into isolation. It was inspired by a yellow rose she found that April.

“Her peaceful color and lovely scent stimulated me to look around and notice the many signs of spring, providing a space the virus could not spoil,” she wrote. “Beauty was all around me, creating the perfect place to dwell during this ugly time.”

“Waterstories,” a 2017 series, sprang from Greene’s “lifelong fascination with the powerful, emotional quality of water” and is partially a commentary on the impact of climate change and the inability of humans to pursue “real solutions.”

‘Now what?’

“November 2016 Aftermath” expresses the shock and despair Greene felt the morning after the presidential election, when she awoke to ask, “Now what?”

Her newest series, a work in progress titled “Heartbreaking Beauty,” began with the loss of her beloved husband, Jim Greene, who died in 2022.

“Some people with kidney cancer only last for a very short time, but Jim lived six years,” she said of her lifelong love, whom she met at age 12 while summering in the community of Scientists’ Cliffs, Md., on Chesapeake Bay.

They dated through their teens, into their college years, went their separate ways, reunited in the late 1990s, and were married in 2005.



PHOTO/COURTESY SUSAN HYDE GREENE

Susan Hyde Greene, one of the Peninsula’s best known fine-art photographers, dissects her own images, then pieces or “mends” them back together, sometimes with textiles, to make statements with her mixed-media pieces.

museum with all the dioramas, and I loved it,” she said. “Through everything, there was always creativity in my life.”

For Greene, other happy times stemmed from romps through the woods that bordered the family’s Connecticut home, collecting arrowheads and Revolutionary War artifacts.

Her mom remarried when Susan was 8, choosing someone Greene remembered as “a very nasty man, very abusive ... basically a psychopath.”

At 17, fed up, she left home to enroll in a two-year women’s college in Virginia with thoughts of becoming a special-education teacher. She transferred to a state college in southern Connecticut, where she considered majoring in art history, but dropped out, got married, and began raising a family of her own — two daughters and a son.

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Great Lives

By CARLIN JARDINE

owner, ‘I have no money, I love your horse. I want to be with him for the rest of his life.’” The owner broke his contract with the university and allowed her to buy the horse on a monthly payment plan. Stember waitressed Friday and Saturday nights at the Hog’s Breath and spent all day Saturdays and Sundays on El Tigre, leading trail rides so she could make her payments.

As she rode, she began telling stories about the Monterey pine forests, the coastal dunes, the plants and the wildlife, creating interpretive educational trail rides.

Birds in winter

“Interpretive education is sort of the art of storytelling,” she offered. “Trees have stories to tell. So does the wildlife, the weather and the environment. It’s a way to engage learners, encouraging them to wonder and ask questions like the second-grade girl who journaled, ‘I wonder

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Carmel Art Association welcomes new shows, art festival takes shape

THREE SHOWS open Saturday at the Carmel Art Association, including one with a curious title, painter Dick Crispo’s “A Tribute to 300-pound Paper and Other Human Beings.”

Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

“Inspired by his large collection of masks gathered over a lifetime of travels, Crispo has created evocative portraits that have a mystical symbolic quality,” the gallery’s



Sunset Center hosts a reception Tuesday for painter Stephanie Langley, who has a show at the Marjorie Evans Gallery.

Liliana Mendez explained. “These otherworldly faces invite viewers to find their own meaning in the masks.”

The title of the show pays tribute to Crispo’s affection for painting on a special stock made by Arches Paper, which has a “unique texture and deckle edges.”

“Just like his masks, no two papers are the same,” Mendez said.

Also new at the gallery is a group show by plein air painters Benjamin Anderson and Bryce Elischer (“Peninsula Compositions”) and another group show by painters Alicia Meheen, Cornelia Emery, and Kate Martin (“Anything Goes”).

The downtown gallery will be the site of a public reception Saturday at 4 p.m. in tandem with the town’s monthly Art Walk. Wine will be poured, and the Rick Forschino Combo will play jazz.

The shows will be on display through June 3. The gallery is located on Dolores between Fifth and Sixth.

Painters arrive for contest

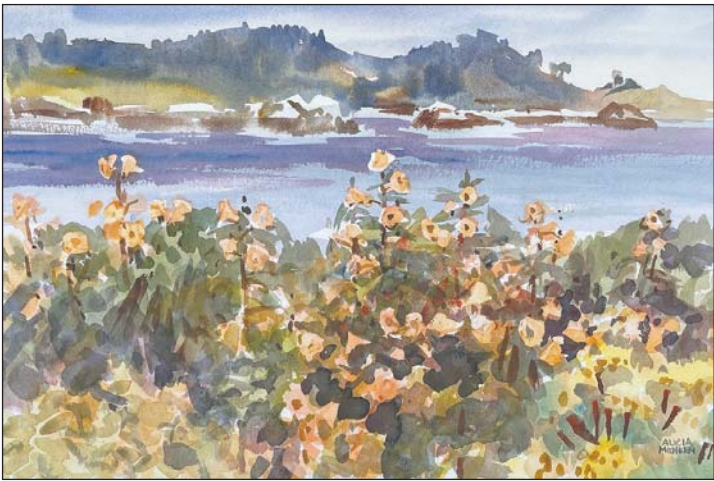
While the 31st annual Carmel Art Festival doesn’t officially kick off until May 17, painters who are competing in its plein air contest are anticipated to arrive two days early and get right to work on their canvases. “Sixty juried artists arrive on Wednesday and begin creating across Monterey County,” the event said.

The art festival continues through May 19. Besides the painting competition, highlights will include the unveiling of a new bronze sculpture by Steven Whyte of legendary football coach and Carmel resident John Madden. The piece will be installed outside of Bruno’s Market on the corner of Sixth and Junipero.

For more details, visit carmelartfestivalcalifornia.com.

‘Garden Party’ at Sunset

Sunset Center welcomes painter Stephanie Langley, whose exhibit will be on display in the center’s Marjorie Evans Gallery, “Garden Party,” through the end of June. A reception for the artist is set for Tuesday at 5 p.m.



Alicia Meheen’s watercolor, “Pt. Lobos with Sticky Monkey,” is included in a new show at the Carmel Art Association, which hosts a reception Saturday.

“Stephanie loves contrast and she likes to juxtapose abstract, representational forms and differing styles of art to create ambiguous stories and images,” the center said.

Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. The gallery is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and whenever the venue is open for performances.

The fine art of walking

On display at the Venture Gallery in Monterey through the end of the month is painter Cheryl Kampe’s “Coastal Connections.” The artist’s new work is inspired by her daily walks around the Monterey Peninsula.

“As the seasons change, there are subtle changes in the atmosphere, from the misty summers, to sunny weather in the fall,” Kampe explained.

“There are also changes in the surf, from quiet and still, to stormy waves that break on the trail. In the spring, you’ll see egrets and pelicans as well as harbor seals and sea otters. These are just a few of the reasons I love this area.”

The artist will be in the gallery to greet guests and talk about her art May 18 and May 25 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The gallery is located at 260 Alvarado St.

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LIVES

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with subjects ranging from old-growth redwoods, to owls, migratory songbirds, the Carmel watershed and on and on. “Since we began 25 years ago, more than 54,000 people have experienced the Santa Lucia Preserve,” she added.

In 2022, Stember was asked to start a youth environmental education program for the Del Monte Forest Conservancy, for which she is now lead specialist, teaching 60 classes a year. “So if I’m not at the Santa Lucia Preserve, I’m in Pebble Beach on Del Monte Forest Conservancy land, usually at Indian Village [a picnic area], where my husband and I were married.” She still teaches classes at the adult school, too.

Tide pools and stars

When work is through, she heads home to Pebble Beach — next door to her parents — and rides one of her three horses across the sand dunes to the sea and back. “I have three wonderful children doing interesting and productive things with their lives. My mother is a retired social worker, my father is retired. David, my husband, is a chef, my high school sweetheart and my best friend. Along with my beloved El Tigre they’re all the reasons I’ve been able to do what I’ve done in my life.”

“What brings this all together for me is when people understand all things in life are connected, and when you pull on any one thing, you’re pulling on all of it. In this amazing place we live, everyone can make a difference,” Stember concluded. Or, as Steinbeck wrote of several great thinkers in “The Sea of Cortez,” “Each discovered and reaffirmed with astonishment the knowledge that all things are one thing and that one thing is all things. It is advisable to look from the tide pool to the stars and then back to the tide pool again.”

FENTANYL

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media campaigns, and distribution of Narcan through community townhalls and kiosks in areas of greatest need.”

While the plan has been in the works, Smith said the department and its partners have held educational campaigns, handed out Narcan and done other work toward mitigating the fentanyl problem.

The \$2.7 million Monterey County received was the result of a court settlement after the county joined other plaintiffs in filing a lawsuit against 24 large pharmaceutical manufacturers of prescription opioids. The suit, settled in 2021, resulted in 16 companies paying \$50 billion to counties. The funds are supposed to be used for opioid prevention strategies and addiction treatment.

Deaths increase

While prescription overdose cases have declined in the county since 2018, overdose deaths in Monterey County increased dramatically between 2018 and 2021, and illegal fentanyl led the rise in overdoses and deaths, the report said.

The jury also recommended all county middle and high schools update their safety plans with overdose protocols, improving Narcan availability and accessibility to fentanyl resources, and creating more youth programs to enhance mental health and fentanyl awareness.

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ARTIST

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They all moved to the Hawaiian Islands, where, in 1972, Greene earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the University of Hawaii Manoa.

Her focus was textiles, but she enrolled in a summer photography class, and her direction changed.

“Turns out, I had a feel for it — something I probably should have known, because I really liked doing it as a kid — and I discovered I loved it,” she said. “Developing the photos and watching this magic come out of the tray ... everybody loves that part.”

New doors open

Greene began marrying her photographs with textiles, creating mixed-media art and opening all-new doors.

The family moved to California, where her husband — a physician — was working at UC San Francisco Medical Center.

In 1980, she earned a Master of Science in special education from Dominican College in San Rafael and traveled to Rockport, Maine, for photography workshops with Olivia Parker and Christopher James. Six years later, she studied sculpture in Mendocino with legendary California artist Manuel Neri.

When her husband grew disenchanted with his job at UCSF, they relocated to Utah, where, unfortunately, the marriage broke up. On the plus side, in 1991, Greene completed her master’s degree in fine arts from the University of Utah.

“And wonderful, lucky things began to happen,” she said. “I got a graduate research award to do a project — “100 Years, 100 Pictures” — about a man who

had turned 100 years old, and the Salt Lake Art Center invited me to show there.

“I also put together another piece for my MFA show called ‘Jane’s Secrets,’” she said. It’s named for her grandmother, whose child tragically died.

After her divorce, a friend called to offer Greene, a newly single mother, an inexpensive studio space at the Noonan Building on Pier 70 in San Francisco.

Validation came next.

Shows at museums

“That opened so many doors,” she said. “I met Marian Parmenter at the Artist’s Gallery, and she loved my work. Then a man named Stefan Kirkeby called and said, ‘Susan, you really are a good photographer. You should show these.’”

Since 1991, Greene’s art has been exhibited in 39 shows, including Triton Museum of Art in Santa Clara, Oakland Museum of California, Museum of Modern Art in Monterey, the Institute of Health and Healing in San Francisco, the Carl Cherry Center, the Carmel Art Institute, Open Ground Studios in Seaside, and the Center for Photographic Art (where she serves as a board member).

She also was one of six highly accomplished fine-art photographers on the Monterey Peninsula who came together to form Salon Jane.

Susan and Jim Greene bought their home in Carmel in 2007, but she is in the process of returning to the San Francisco Bay area to be closer to her adult children (Lisa, Emily, and Scott) and seven grandchildren.

More information and images of her work can be found online at susanhydegreene.com/about-susan-hyde-greene.

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The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **ALPHA CREDIT GROUP, 95 Fisherman’s Wharf #1, Monterey, CA 93940.**
Name of Corporation or as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: WATER AND LEAVES LLC, 95 Fisherman’s Wharf #1, Monterey, CA 93940.
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.
S/Mario Delece, Sole Member
April 15, 2024
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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 1, 2024.
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Publication dates: May 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024. (PC519)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

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Registered Owner(s): ZAKARIA SOFIAN

IBESSAINE, 127 Green Wood Vale, Monterey, CA 93940.
This business is conducted by co-partners.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 26, 2024.
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S/Zakaria Ibessaine
Date signed: April 26, 2024
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Publication Dates: May 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024 (PC 520)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20240953
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **TROTTER ART & FURNITURE SERVICES, 1432 Lisbon Lane, Pebble Beach, CA 93953.**
Registered Owner(s): BRETT RICHARD TROTTER, P.O. Box 1, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.
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This business is conducted by an individual.
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S/Brett Trotter
Date signed: May 7, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 7, 2024.
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Publication Dates: May 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024 (PC 524)

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File No. 20240939
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Registered Owner(s): SELINA SAHBA, 1117 Wildcat Canyon Rd., Pebble Beach, CA 93953.
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S/Selina Sahba
Date signed: May 6, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 6, 2024.
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Publication Dates: May 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024 (PC 527)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20240837
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **EARTHSIDE HEALTH & WELLNESS, 1321 Buena Vista Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: EARTHSIDE HEALTH & WELLNESS LLC 1321 Buena Vista Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.
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 April 4, 2024.
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S/Brianne Allyson Pedersen, Managing Member
Date: April 24, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 24, 2024.
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Publication Dates: May 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024. (PC 528)

LEGALS DEADLINE: Tuesday 3:00 pm | legals@carmelpinecone.com



PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Historic Resources Board of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a Public Hearing on Monday, May 20, 2024, at 4:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible. Immediately prior to the Public Hearing, the Board will visit some or all the project sites in person as part of a Tour of Inspection. Interested members of the public are invited to attend both the Tour and the Hearing.

THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD VIA TELECONFERENCE AND IN PERSON AT CITY HALL. The public is welcome to attend the meeting in person or remotely via Zoom; however, the meeting will proceed as normal even if there are technical difficulties accessing Zoom. The City will do its best to resolve any technical issues as quickly as possible.

To attend in person, visit the City Council Chambers at City Hall located on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues. **To view or listen to the meeting remotely,** you may access the YouTube Live Stream at: <https://www.youtube.com/@CityofCarmelbytheSea/streams>, or use the following link to view or listen to the meeting via Zoom teleconference: <https://ci-carmel-ca-us.zoom.us/j/82192956570?pwd=XXZ9QXLUAAJcnCJW.13Trss9PIKSw.mw6QkWSxRsB-TYcD>. **To listen to the meeting via telephone, dial +1 669-444-9171.** Webinar ID: **821 9295 6570**. Passcode: 296093.

All interested people are invited to attend via teleconference or in person at the time and place specified above to give oral or written testimony concerning this matter. Written comments may be submitted to the Community Planning & Building Department at City Hall located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921, or P.O. Box CC, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921, or by emailing mwaffle@cbts.us prior to the meeting. With respect to written comments, please submit them at least 2 hours before the meeting to ensure they are provided to the Historic Resources Board and made part of the record. Comments received after that time and up to the end of the Public Hearing will be saved as part of the record but may not be provided to the Historic Resources Board prior to or during the Public Hearing.

The staff report and relevant documents will be available at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting on the City’s website at <http://www.ci.carmel.ca.us> and found by clicking on “Government” and then “Meetings.” The Historic Resources Board meeting will be broadcast live on the City’s website at <http://carmel.novusagenda.com/agendapublic/meetingsresponsive.aspx> and archived there after the meeting. For more information regarding Historic Resources Board meetings, please contact the Community Planning & Building Department at (831) 620-2010.

Historic Context Statement Phase II Monthly Update

Location: Citywide
Historic Context Statement Phase II monthly update status report and discussion.

HE 24042 (Dunham)

Thomas Dunham, Property Owner
Santa Fe Street 5 northwest of 3rd Avenue
Block 25; Lot 9
APN: 010-102-005-000

Consideration of a preliminary determination of historic ineligibility for the property located at Santa Fe Street 5 northwest of 3rd Avenue. APN: 010-102-005-000.

City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
Marnie R. Waffle, AICP, Principal Planner

Publication dates: May 10, 2024 (PC525)

LETTERS

From page 26A

Yes, student uprisings are messy and sometimes go overboard, but they are generally inspired by outrage at injustice, as in this case to the totally disproportionate Israeli reaction to the horrendous Oct. 7 Hamas attack.

Your call for “laws to limit the influence of disgruntled individuals and activists” is precisely the mistake the establishment always makes. Until 60 years later, that is, when it gains some perspective.

Mads Bjerre, Carmel

Likes public comments

Dear Editor,

I’m really surprised to hear a newspaper railing against the “public comments” at public hearings. Free speech and a free press are the foundations of a democratic society. I think it’s an exaggeration to characterize public comments as mostly “wackos that waste everybody’s time.” As someone who conducts public hearings, I value all points of view, even the ones I don’t agree with. There’s always something to be learned from listening to everyone’s perspective. That’s a freedom I value.

Michael LePage, Carmel

‘Hope and joy’

Dear Editor,

Last week I completed a course at the Pacific Grove Adult Education Center titled “On the Road to Hope and Joy,” presented by longtime Monterey Peninsula residents Ann Jealous and Caroline Haskell. In 10 sessions with eight women and two men, we heard white people “sharing grief about racism.”

I went into the class with three goals. First, to meet Ann and Caroline and hear

why they wrote the book. Second, to satisfy my curiosity about what “white grief” means. And third, to meet new people and learn something about myself.

Although my worldview was totally different than most of the other students and the speakers, I told the group that all three goals had been accomplished. I had no regrets. At times, the discussion was heated and the remarks contentious. Several of us with diverse perspectives were pronounced, by other students, to be “bad actors” and “white Christian nationalists” — a nasty tactic designed to name, blame and shame us into silence. It didn’t work. Psychologist Rollo May wrote, “The opposite of courage is not cowardice; the opposite of courage is compliance.” I was respectful but not compliant.

Nonetheless, for me, it was a worthwhile investment of time. Ann and Caroline did a fine job of moderating the class and occasional “creative conflict.” I hope they will continue offering the class to diverse groups. After all, I think they knew that we learn a lot more by talking with people we do not agree with than with people who already are in our camp.

I am grateful for Ann and Caroline’s grace and dignity. They taught me that “the joy of your spirit is an indication of your strength.”

Mike Gibbs, Pacific Grove

Helicopters in Big Sur

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to an April 5 Pine Cone article regarding helicopter noise in Big Sur. As president of Specialized Helicopters Inc., based in Watsonville, I wish to address misconceptions about our operations and highlight our minimal impact.

We are the sole helicopter company offering tourism flights over Big Sur and have been for over 19 years. Contrary to concerns raised, our flights are infrequent and generate minimal noise, lasting for less

than 30 seconds. These near-shore flights average only two to six a month.

Furthermore, our flights do not extend beyond the Point Sur Lighthouse. In contrast, public service helicopters operated by entities such as PG&E, law enforcement, and the military are louder, much more frequent and fly over the entire region without consideration or limitation by regulations. The FAA and associated Federal law do not allow local regulations to govern any restrictions to helicopter overflights.

It’s crucial to note that any potential regulations would only affect quieter, community-assisting helicopters like ours, not the larger, louder helicopters exempt from such regulations.

Additionally, research into private helicopter usage in Big Sur indicates minimal impact, with only two landowners operating helicopters within the region, and even then, their usage is zero to four times a month.

Both our company and these private owners have demonstrated a commitment to the community by offering resources during emergencies and actively working to minimize noise disturbances. We fly routes that have the lowest impact and have been willing to talk to anyone who reaches out with constructive concerns. This effort among private operators showcases our dedication to maintaining Big Sur’s natural tranquility while providing essential services to the public.

In conclusion, it’s important for the community to recognize the primary sources of helicopter noise and the scale of operations from various entities. We remain dedicated to fostering informed dialogue with the community to ensure that our operations are understood and seen as a responsible and a minimal part of Big Sur’s soundscape.

Chris Gulate, Watsonville

The Carmel Pine Cone

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SPILL

From page 5A

in June 2022, but the lawsuit suggests that the city has stalled on paying up.

In August 2023, more than a year after the spill, Salinas city attorney Christopher Callihan told Higashi that the city was “waiting for additional information” related to the claim, which was the reason it had not responded to the agricultural company. In April, Callihan told Higashi that the city had not yet rejected the claim, according to the suit.

Callihan told The Pine Cone Wednesday that “the city has not been served with this complaint. As such, the city does not

have any comment at this time.”

The lawsuit, which alleges dangerous condition of public property, negligence, nuisance, and other claims, contends that it was “foreseeable that an unmaintained sewer line would spill sewage onto farmland rendering it unsafe to grow food.”

Salinas “has intentionally, unreasonably, negligently and/or recklessly failed to maintain its sewer lines in working order and thereby created a hazard to health and rendered the affected lots temporarily useless,” according to the complaint, filed for Higashi Farms by Salinas attorneys Stephan Barber and Jacob Yoneda.

Higashi is seeking monetary damages from the City of Salinas for the harm the spill allegedly caused to the farm and other damages.

Peninsula BUSINESSES

MAY 24, 2024

Besides its history, culture, scenery and great weather, one of the things that makes the Monterey Peninsula so wonderful is its outstanding business community. But who are the hard-working people behind all those amazing shops, restaurants and service providers? We will answer that question in our May 24 edition.

Don’t miss a chance to be a part of it

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City Council Special Meeting

May 21, 2024

BUDGET WORKSHOP

Join us for a Special Meeting of the City Council to discuss the Proposed Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget! Your feedback shapes our community's future.



MAY 21, 2024



4:30 PM

COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND VIA ZOOM

Submit any budget questions you have to: cityclerk@ci.carmel.ca.us with “budget question” in the subject line.



THE AGENDA WILL BE POSTED ONLINE BY MAY 17 ON THE CITY’S WEBSITE: CI.CARMEL.CA.US/MEETINGS



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The Carmel Pine Cone

Section 2

Stevenson’s girls lacrosse team heads into an exciting postseason

WHEN THIS week began, there was no time for the girls on the lacrosse team at Stevenson School to dream about their scintillating future.

After steamrolling the Pacific Coast Athletic League’s Gabilan Division this season with a 9-0 record, the Pirates galloped into the 2024 Central Coast Section Division I tournament with a No. 5 seeding in the first-round quarterfinals at 7 p.m. Friday against No. 4 St. Francis High (12-4) in Mountain View. The winner plays either No. 1 St. Ignatius (14-5) or No. 8 Archbishop Mitty (1-10) on Wednesday (site and game time TBA). The finals will be held Friday, May 17, at 7:30 p.m. at Carlmont High School in Belmont.

Ten key players on Stevenson’s roster — four freshmen, four sophomores and two juniors — are expected to return next year.

Torres has Division I future

One of those juniors, Macey Torres, has already committed to play lacrosse in 2025-26 at UC Davis, an NCAA Division I school.

The other nine also have the potential to play collegiately, if that’s their dream, predicted Jerry Gilbert, Stevenson’s second-year head coach.

Gilbert knows a college prospect when he sees one. His firstborn daughter, Lauren, was a two-time All-Amer-



PHOTOS/KELLY BEISER

Good luck keeping up with racehorse Sydney Holland, No. 6, (above) a high-scoring freshman who transferred to Stevenson this year from Cardinal Newman High. Junior Grace Ishii (right), only 5-foot-2, is “the engine” and “the soul” of a high-octane Pirates team this season.



at the college level is a good question, but I sort of ask them about that from time to time,” the coach said of his talented crop at Stevenson.

‘Most complete’

With her senior year still ahead, Torres, a defensive midfielder, is the centerpiece of a team that lost its first two games of the year, then never lost again during an 11-2 regular season.

“Macey is our most complete player, without question,” Gilbert said of Torres, who went into the playoffs as the team leader in goals (31), assists (11) and shooting percentage (.689). “She has good field vision, and she plays with an aggressive style.”

Fleet feet enable her to run the whole field and be an offensive force, but Torres’ greatest contribution might be on defense, said her coach.

“With her speed and her understanding of spacing and timing, she’s constantly intercepting passes, and she’s phe-

nomenal at winning 50-50 ground balls,” he said. “Having her primarily on defense is hugely beneficial to the team.”

Sophomore Brogan Donata is Stevenson’s second leading scorer (26 goals, 10 assists, .650 shooting percentage), with a talent for threading her shots through tight spaces.

“Her hands might be the best I’ve ever seen on a player that young. Her stick skills are off the charts — the cradling, the passing, the finishing at tough angles — she’s a natural offensive player,” Gilbert said.

Other double-digit scorers include junior Gracie Ishii (16 goals, 10 assists), sophomore Sydney Holland (14, 9) and senior co-captain Naiya Patel (11, 5).

“Every team has its engine, its soul, and for us, that would be Grace,” Gilbert said of Ishii. “Grace and (senior) Maxime Vandendriessche go 100 percent in every drill, every rep, every second of every game. Those two will run through a wall for us.”

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Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

ican at Northwestern University. Her little sister, Katy, was Oregon’s 2019 high school Player of the Year and a prep All-American, and is a senior midfielder at Stanford University (career stats: 55 goals and 18 assists in 65 games).

“How many of these girls will be interested in playing



MAY EXHIBITIONS

MAY 8 - JUNE 3

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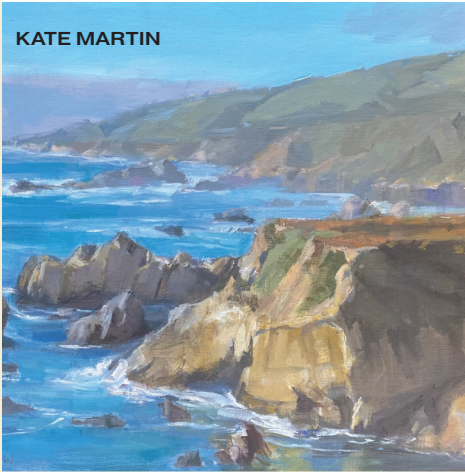
ANYTHING GOES

Three friends Alicia Meheen, Cornelia Emery, and Kate Martin showcase scenes of vibrant blooming flowers, rocky coastlines, and clear blue skies over the majestic Pacific coast.

PENINSULA COMPOSITIONS

Benjamin Anderson and Bryce Elischer present a dual body of work that encapsulates their plein air painting experiences along the stunning coast of the Monterey Peninsula.

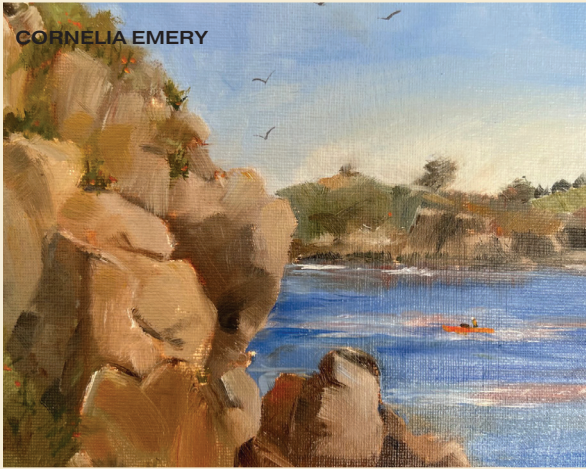
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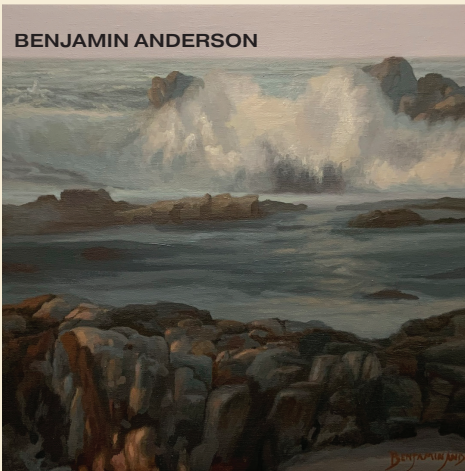
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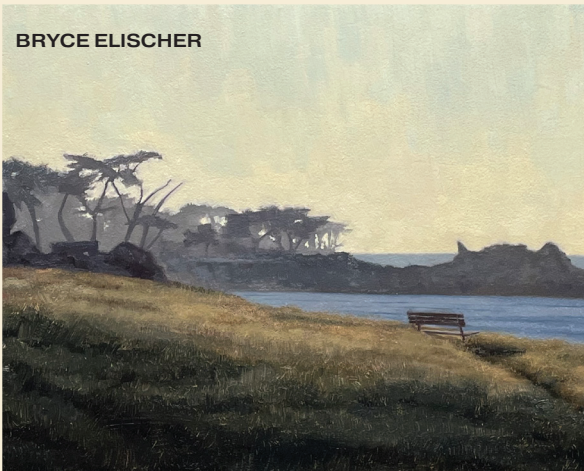
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From previous page

Holland came gift-wrapped this year as a transfer student from Santa Rosa’s Cardinal Newman High — a coachable left-hander with the best speed on the team and a selfless attitude.

“If we have somebody besides Macey with Division I lacrosse potential, Sydney’s the one. She has outstanding skills end to end, and I think the sky’s the limit for her.”

Patel, an exceptional leader, brings good finishing abilities around the cage and the ability to score with either hand, and the other senior co-captain, Sarah Vanoli, is a varsity veteran who has been a defensive fixture at Stevenson.

One more senior, Zoe Adams, is revered for her work ethic, developing into a reliable reserve who can play several positions.

Most improved, said Gilbert, might be sophomore Molly McAfee, a ball hawk who sees the field well and attacks the cage this season with newfound confidence (nine goals, 10 assists).

“Molly might have the best field sense on our team, as far as pure instincts go,” he said. “Her challenge has been learning to understand the pace of the game, and that’s finally happening, which makes her one of our key players.”

Other strong sophomores are Skylar Schlenker (seven goals) and Georgia Bonifas (six goals, 18 groundballs).

Freshman in the cage

The goalkeeper, freshman Zola Ducker, emerged as a defensive wall for the Pirates, stopping 55 of 111 shots by the opponents, a .593 percentage.

“I think goalie in lacrosse is the hardest position in sports, and Zola has had a huge impact there,” Gilbert said.



PHOTO/KERRY BELSER

She’s only a junior, but Stevenson midfielder Macey Torres, left, already has an NCAA Division I lacrosse offer waiting at UC Davis.

winning streak included an 18-9 beatdown of Los Gatos on April 19.

“Defeating a team like Los Gatos made us understand what kind of potential we have.

“That was the best win since I’ve been part of the program, and it gave us confidence that I hope we’ll carry with us into the playoffs,” Gilbert said.

Stevenson reached the semifinal round of the 2022 CCS playoffs before being eliminated by eventual champ St. Ignatius.

See **SPORTS** page 38A



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SUNSET OFFERS FREE CONCERT FRIDAY, WELCOMES GRAMMY WINNER MAY 15

A PIANIST and composer who owns a live music venue, **Wendi Kirby** kicks off Sunset Center’s free outdoor concert series — known as Terrace Hour — Friday at 6 p.m. The shows are free to the public.

After releasing her debut album, “Bloom,” last year,

On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

Kirby has a new recording, “Wings,” which came out in February. The record features a collection of “solo vignettes inspired by her relationships with loved ones.”



Grammy Award-winning blues singer and guitarist Christone “Kingfish” Ingram performs Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., at Sunset Center.

Last August, the musician opened **Wendi Kirby Music** at 550 Hartnell St. in Monterey, a spot she describes as the Monterey Peninsula’s “most unusual event space.”

Sunset Center’s Terrace Hour continues on Fridays with performances by **The Katherine Lavin Band** (May 17), singer **Miranda Perl** and guitarist **Adam Astrup** (May 24), **The Suborbitals** (June 7), **River Voices** (June 14) and singer and guitarist **Cindy Alexander** (June 21).

The series is family-friendly, and everyone is invited. “Bring your friends, family, dogs, cats and birds to the beautiful Sunset Cultural Center terrace this May and June,” the center said.

The next blues legend?

Also at Sunset Center, Grammy Award-winning blues singer and guitarist **Christone “Kingfish” Ingram** takes the stage Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Ingram, who started playing in clubs at 7 and headlined the St. Louis Blues Festival when he was still a teenager, won 10 Blues Music Awards in 2019 and earned a Grammy Award in 2022 for Best Contemporary Blues Album.

Tickets start at \$35. Call (831) 620-2048 or visit sunsetcenter.org.

■ ‘Opera Under the Stars’

I Cantori de Carmel presents “Opera Under the Stars” Saturday and Sunday, 7:30 p.m., at the Forest Theater. “Our operatic spring concert will showcase soaring melodies, familiar tunes, and stories of love, life, passion and drama,” the group announced.

Directed by **Daniel Henriks**, I Cantori’s chorus and



Pianist and composer Wendi Kirby plays a free concert Friday, 6 p.m., at Sunset Center. The show is the first in Sunset’s annual Terrace Hour series.

orchestra will be joined on stage by “operatic power couple” **Sandra and Christopher Bengochea**, and mezzo-soprano **Kelly Guerra**. The concert includes music by composers Giacomo Puccini, Giuseppe Verdi, Georges Bizet and others.

Tickets start at \$18. Forest Theater is located at Santa Rita and Mountain View. icantori.org.

■ For a good cause

To collect donations for a new playground at Carmel Valley Community Park, Joyce Winery in Carmel Valley

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Stokes Adobe (500 Hartnell St. in Monterey) is serving Mother’s Day dinner from 5 to 9 p.m., and has a Happy Hour that goes from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Whether you just want a pizza or some snacks and drinks from the Happy Hour menu, or you want to explore the dinner menu, which features entrées like steak, scallops, a bone-in pork chop and

seared Alaskan halibut, we highly recommend going to stokesadobe.com and making your plans soon.

Hit the Highlands

CRU Winery’s Santa Lucia Highlands Tasting Room at 37500 Foothill Road in Soledad is offering special Mother’s Day wine tastings on Saturday and Sunday, when its offerings will be specially paired

Soup to Nuts

with artisan chocolates from Celia Chocolatier. Choose a time slot and make prepaid reservations for parties of one to six at \$40 per person on exploretock.com/cruwinery.

But wait, there’s more — the next adventure in CRU’s summer hiking series, which will take place the second Sunday of each month through October, is also on Sunday from 10 a.m. to noon. The vineyard walks are 2 to 4 miles long with some inclines, and take about 45 minutes. Participants get two-for-one tastings and 10 percent off bottle purchases. Organizers recommend bringing water for the walk and packing some snacks to enjoy a picnic afterward. Reserve at EventBrite.com.

Why not celebrate your mom this year with a splash of her favorite wine? Known

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CRU has two wine experiences planned this weekend. Depending on your mom’s idea of fun, one might be a great outing to celebrate her day.



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FOOD & WINE

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in some circles as “mommy juice” — yes, that is a real term, overheard even here on the streets of Carmel-by-the-Sea — it can be enjoyed at any of the fabulous restaurants and wine bars in the region as well as in one’s own home. And, frankly, you don’t need to have kids to appreciate it, so this weekend, gather friends and family and raise a glass to moms everywhere.

An especially good idea is to toast with wine from one of our local producers. With Monterey County’s cool climate, wine-makers in this region can produce elegant wines that offer flavor and finesse. Here are three options:

2022 30th Anniversary Mer Soleil Reserve Chardonnay — If your mom doesn’t know this wine but she loves Rombauer — introduce her to Mer Soleil Vineyard Chardonnay from Santa Lucia Highlands, famous for its creamy texture and lovely tropical flavors. Owned by the renowned Wagner Family (think the much vaunted Napa Valley Caymus), at \$24 a bottle, this wine is an easy and enjoyable quaff.

Paysan Rosé 2022 — Fun and fruity



The Haute Enchilada Cafe and Gallery in Moss Landing invites families to enjoy special menu items for Mother’s Day.

with good acidity and a lovely pink hue, this rosé could easily be mistaken for one from Provence. Try it with salmon on the BBQ for a perfectly paired offering for Mom. This label from I. Brand & Co. is part of the Le P’tit Paysan line of wines.

Caraccioli Cellars Brut Cuvee 2018 — Listed at \$65 on the winery’s website (shop.caracciolicellars.com), this sparkler offers scents of brioche that move to elegant fruit on the palate and end with racing acidity. Grab a bottle and some oysters for the perfect Mother’s Day brunch!

Beloved Champagne houses at Aubergine

Justin Cogley, executive chef of Aubergine restaurant at Monte Verde and Seventh, in collaboration with lead sommelier John Haffey — a Michelin Guide California 2023 Sommelier Award winner — will create and prepare distinctive menus to pair with the offerings of two significant Champagne producers, Billecart-Salmon and Krug, during wine dinners set for May 22 and June 12.

The May dinner celebrating one of the most prestigious family-owned houses in Champagne, Billecart-Salmon, will begin with small bites and brut reserve poured from a Jeroboam — the 3-liter bottle that’s the equivalent of four standard bottles — followed by “a five-course menu perfectly curated to fit a beautiful progression of Billecart-Salmon’s finest cuvées,” including the newly released Cuvée Louis Salmon Blanc de Blancs (2012 vintage) and Cuvée Elizabeth Salmon rosé.

Dinner will cost \$495 per person and will start with a 6 p.m. reception in the courtyard

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before everyone is seated at 6:30, and the evening should wrap up at 9.

Then, on June 12, Cogley and Haffey will craft a special lineup in honor of the newest Krug Champagne vintage release. “We will welcome all guests with a Jeroboam of Krug Grande Cuvee and offer other special bottles, many in magnum,” they said. Dinner will cost \$595 per person.

For information and to reserve, go to exploretock.com/auberginecarmel.

Summer farmers market schedules

Strawberry season is finally in full swing, and ripe local tomatoes are starting to show up in good-sized quantities, along with the bright green basil needed for delicious caprese salads. Can juicy peaches and nectarines be far behind? We’re so lucky to have so much fresh food available all over the Peninsula.

If you can’t make the weekly produce fest Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sixth between Junipero and Mission, don’t worry. You have a lot of other options, including The Old Monterey Farmers Market on Alvarado Street, which will start staying open an extra hour, going from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays.

The West Coast Farmers Market Association has a nice-sized and eclectic spot at Mid Valley Shopping Center in Carmel Valley on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Monterey Bay Certified Farmers Market is open at the Barnyard shopping center on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and at Del Monte Center in Monterey every Friday and Sunday from 8 a.m. to noon in the parking lot behind California Pizza Kitchen.

Everyone’s Harvest has a Marina market (215 Reservation Road) Sundays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and one in Pacific Grove (corner of Central and Grand avenues) on Mondays from 3 to 7 p.m. Thursdays, you can shop in Seaside at 1259 Canyon Del Rey on from 3 to 7 p.m. It’s really easy to get to from Highway 1, and a pleasant diversion if your commute takes you that way. If you’re passing through Salinas, there are summer markets at Salinas Valley Health and Natividad, as well as on East Alisal Street. All have fresh produce and prepared foods available. Visit

everyonesharvest.org for more information.

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Coastal Roots Hospitality, parent company of Rio Grill at the Crossroads shopping center and Tarpy’s and Montrieo Bistro in Monterey, announced last week that its “Pick it Up, Pay it Forward” promotion has raised more than \$11,000 for the Monterey Rape Crisis Center. In this ongoing program, Coastal Roots donates 10 percent of proceeds from takeout (but not delivery) orders placed at all three of its restaurants, to selected local charities.

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



Everyone’s Harvest has announced its new farmers market schedules, as have several other local markets. Even though the weather doesn’t always agree, green beans, ripe tomatoes and other fresh produce let everyone know it’s summer.

SPORTS

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CCS updates

Swimming and diving: Stevenson’s Beckett Haywood placed 10th, and Carmel’s Will Myles and Dean Bullas were 16th and 19th, respectively, at the CCS boys diving meet. In girls diving, Carmel’s Victoria Valdez placed 20th, the highest among locals.

Nobody from Stevenson, Carmel or Santa Catalina placed in boys or girls swimming.

Boys tennis: After a 13-2 regular season, Stevenson lost 4-3 to Menlo-Atherton in the first round of the CCS team tournament. Individual competition is May 14-16.

Boys volleyball: Fourth-seeded Carmel (18-11) drew a bye in Monday’s first round of the Division II tournament, then played fifth-seeded Gunn in Tuesday’s quarterfinals. The winner played in the semifinals on Thursday. Results of those two matches were unavailable at press time. The finals are Saturday at Harker School (time TBA).

Track and field: CCS semifinals are Saturday, and finals are May 18, both at Gilroy.

Baseball and softball: Quarterfinal rounds will be

played May 18. Semifinals are May 21 for baseball, May 22 for softball. Championship games in the baseball tournament will be played May 23, 24 or 25. Softball finals are May 25.

Visit the drop-down menu at cifccss.org, then click on the “Playoffs” tab for updates.

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Brogan Dolata, only a sophomore, finished the regular season as the Pirates’ second-leading scorer.



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MUSIC

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hosts a fundraiser May 11 at 5 p.m. with live music from **The Bubba Pickens Band**. Featuring four Carmel High School teachers — and named Best Local Music Group in 2023 by The Pine Cone’s readers — the band puts its own stamp on bluegrass and folk. Besides live music, the event features food and drink, along with live and silent auctions.



Singer and guitarist Peter Barnes Martin plays Saturday, 6:30 p.m., at Juice ‘n’ Java in Pacific Grove.

Tickets are \$50. The winery is located at 1 E. Carmel Valley Road. tatumstreehouse.com.

■ Music in P. G.

New music by composers **Carleton Macy** and **Kenny Hill** will be played Saturday, May 18, at the Pacific Grove

Art Center. The concert will showcase many local musicians, including guitarists **Kenny Hill** and **Anthony DeMers**, clarinetist **Igor Poklad**, **Guitar Ensemble Monterey** and **The Youth Music Monterey County Woodwind Quartet**. The art center is located at 568 Lighthouse Ave.

■ Live music May 10-16

Albatross Ridge Winery and Kitchen in Monterey — singer and guitarist **Kito Rayburn** (Friday at 5 p.m.), **Magenta Spreen** with singers and guitarists **Talmon Owens** and **Kristen Gradwohl** (Saturday at 5 p.m.). 316 Alvarado St.

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

Bernardus Lodge & Spa in Carmel Valley — pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Fred McCarty** (Saturday at noon), pianist **Michael Culver** (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Scott Slaughter** (Sunday at noon). 415 W. Carmel Valley Road.

Bon Ton LeRoy’s Lighthouse Smokehouse in Monterey — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Alligator** (blues, zydeco and Cajun, 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, Tuesday 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 guitarist **Vick Silva** (rock and blues, Friday at 8 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Tony Miles** (reggae, Sunday at 4 p.m.). 594 Broadway. **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**

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May 11 – Chautauqua 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 club ballroom and swing. No partner needed. \$10 cash only. Pgdance.org



May 10 and 11 – Let Mom know she's special! Shop Baum & Blume's Boutique for beautiful Mother's Day gifts, heartfelt cards, gourmet cookie boxes and more! Plus: special May 11 lunch promo for moms: 10% discount and a gorgeous rose! Baum & Blume and The Carriage House, 4 El Caminito Road, Carmel Valley. (831) 659-0400.

May 11 – Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula presents its annual **Rose Garden Tea**, 2:30 to 4 p.m. in the church garden, 4590 Carmel Valley Road (one mile east of Highway 1). Meet the rosarian and view more than 30 varieties of camera-ready blooms. Harpist Amy Krupski will perform and rose petal tea will be served. Event is free of charge. Info: (831) 624-8595

May 14 – World Affairs Council of the Monterey Bay Area (WACMB) presents a special dinner to congratulate Monterey County's Greenfield High School team in this year's youth education Academic World Quest (AWQ) national competition recently held at the Institute of Peace in Washington, D.C. Join us at the Monterey Hilton Garden Inn at 6 p.m.; visit <http://www.wacmb.org> for information and registration.

May 17 – 17th annual Women's Fund Luncheon is presented by the Community Foundation for Monterey

County. Morgane McNally, resident director of Merrill Wealth Management, The BMRB Group, will discuss "The Power and Progress of Women." Registration/networking begin 11 a.m.; program begins noon at the Hyatt Regency Monterey Hotel and Spa. Tickets are \$75 per person; sponsor a table of 10 for \$1,000. For info call (831) 375-9712 or visit events@cfmco.org

May 17 – The John Madden Memorial Statue will be unveiled 3:30 p.m. at Bruno's Market, Junipero and Sixth, Carmel-by-theSea. Statue presented by Carmel Cares, The Madden Family, Bruno's Market, The Carmel Art Festival and Steven Whyte Studios.

May 17-19 – 31st Annual Carmel Art Festival & Plein Air Competition. Opening reception 5:30 to 9 p.m. May 17 in Devendorf Park, downtown Carmel; Live entertainment featuring Carlos Reyes; food and wine from award-winning restaurants and tasting rooms from 6 to 9 p.m. Admittance is free with purchase of a painting; \$40 donation for public at the door. Details: carmelartfestivalcalifornia.com

May 18 – New Music @ The PG Art Center Compositions by local composers, Carleton Macy and Kenny Hill, will be featured in a pre-dinner concert at 5:30 p.m. at the Pacific Grove Art Center. The hour-long concert will feature Guitars, clarinet, flutes and a bassoon. Suggested donation: \$10. Macy@macalester.edu

May 20 – "The Western Flyer Returns" – Sherry Flumerfelt, executive director of the Western Flyer Foundation, will provide a fascinating PowerPoint presentation that weaves together interesting Monterey history, marine ecology, literature, art, and much more. 2 p.m. Carmel Woman's Club, San Carlos and Ninth, Carmel. Open to the public, \$10 guests/members free

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PUBLIC NOTICES

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
File No. 20240714
The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: **SEASIDE CADILLAC, 1725 AUTO CENTER PKWY SEASIDE, CA 93955**, County of MONTEREY
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. 20211480.
SEASIDE AUTO GROUP, LLC, 3 GEARY PLAZA SEASIDE, CA 93955, CALIFORNIA
This business was conducted by A LIMITED 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 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 (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 413)

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
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 at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING:
DATE: May 31, 2024
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
DEPT: 13A
The address of the court is 1200 Agujajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone.
(s) Thomas W. Willis
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: April 8, 2024
Publication Dates: April 19, 26, May 3, 10, 2024. (PC 415)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20240650
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **LINDA BAXTER, 645 PINE ST MONTEREY, CA 93940**, County of MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): LINDA ROSS, 645 PINE STREET MONTEREY, CA 93940
This business is conducted by AN INDIVIDUAL
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE
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
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Publication Dates: April 19, 26, May 3, 10, 2024. (PC 416)

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 (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 417)

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, California 93933**.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: WESTEK ELECTRONICS INC, 165 Westridge Drive, Watsonville, California 95076.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: This business is conducted by a corporation.
Registrant commenced to transact business

under the fictitious 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 (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)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20240578
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following 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.
Registrant commenced to transact business 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 misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/ Melina Cortez
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 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
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
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, LLC, 3 GEARY PLAZA, SEASIDE, CA 93955; State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CALIFORNIA
This business was conducted by A LIMITED 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.
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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 PLAZA, SEASIDE, CA 93955**, County of MONTEREY
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, LLC, 3 GEARY PLAZA, SEASIDE, CA 93955
This business was conducted by A LIMITED 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.
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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 DODGE JEEP RAM VOLKSWAGON CADILLAC, 3 GEARY PLAZA, SEA-**

SIDE, CA 93955, County of MONTEREY
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 LIMITED 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.
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CNS-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 fictitious business name: **SEASIDE CHRYSLER DODGE JEEP RAM 2, SEASIDE VOLKSWAGEN, 3 GEARY PLAZA, SEASIDE, CA 93955**, County of MONTEREY
The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in the County Clerk's office in MONTEREY County on 03/18/2020 Current File No. 20201435.
PENINSULA AUTOMOTIVE RETAILING GROUP, INC. 4200 JOHN MONEGO CT., DUBLIN, CA 94568; CALIFORNIA
This business was conducted by A CORPORATION.
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, PRESIDENT
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of MONTEREY County on 04/04/2024.
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Publication Dates: April 19, 26, May 3, 10, 2024. (PC 426)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20240586
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **FOGTOWN FIREWOOD, 3146 Lynscott Drive, Marina, CA 93933**.
Registered Owner(s): SAJESHWAR M. DUTT, 3146 Lynscott Drive, Marina, CA 93933.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 29, 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).
Date signed: March 18, 2024
This statement was filed with the County 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 Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: April 26, May 3, 10, 17, 2024 (PC 428)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20240782
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **1. PENRITH HOME LOANS 2. SCENIC OAKS FUNDING 1156 Scenic Drive, Suite 110, Modesto, CA 93530**.
County of Principal Place of Business: STANISLAUS.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: SCENIC OAKS FUNDING, LLC.
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 Feb. 15, 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/ Cheryl Reeves, Chief Operating Officer
Date: April 3, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 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 Fed-

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eral, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: April 26, May 3, 10, 17 2024. (PC 429)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20240795
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MAGALI HOUSECLEANING SERVICES, 13505 Agua Dulce, Castroville, CA 95012**.
Registered Owner(s): MAGALI HERRERA.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 17, 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/ Magali Herrera
Date signed: April 17 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 17, 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 26, May 3, 10, 17, 2024 (PC 430)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20240695
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MONTEREY PENINSULA CLEANERS, 548 Market St #858521, San Francisco, CA 94104**.
County of Principal Place of Business: SAN FRANCISCO.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: HOPE VENTURES LLC, 113 Seafoam Ave, 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/ Elvira Hope, Managing Member
Date: April 3, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 2, 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 26, May 3, 10, 17 2024. (PC 431)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20240820
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **GROUNDSWELL GARDENS, 22672 Coleta Drive, Salinas, CA 93908**.
Registered Owner(s): ELIZABETH CAUSEY AND ADAM CAUSEY.
This business is conducted by a married couple.
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/ Elizabeth Causey
Date signed: April 22, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 22, 2024.
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Publication Dates: April 26, May 3, 10, 17, 2024 (PC 433)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20240792
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **COTTAGES OF CARMEL, 26245 CARMEL RANCHO BLVD., CARMEL, CA 93923**, County of MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): 26245 CARMEL RANCHO BLVD OPO LLC, 4500 DORR STREET TOLEDO, OH 43615; DE
This business is conducted by A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE
S/ SHARON MAKOWSKY, MANAG-

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S/ SHARON MAKOWSKY, MANAG-

ER OF THE SOLE MEMBER
WELLTOWER TRS HOLDCO LLC
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/16/2024
5/3, 5/10, 5/17, 5/24/24
CNS-3805538#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: May 3, 10, 17, 24, 2024. (PC 501)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20240783
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **Kikoblendz, 11272 Merritt St., Ste. B, Castroville, CA 95012**, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s): Francisco Celaya
This business is conducted by an individual
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 09/28/2018
S/ Francisco Celaya
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/16/2024
5/3, 5/10, 5/17, 5/24/24
CNS-3802051#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: May 3, 10, 17, 24, 2024. (PC 502)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20240727
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **42 Parallel North, 133 Chaucer Dr, Salinas, CA 93901** County of MONTEREY Registrant(s): Tonyia Dee Sampognaro, 133 Chaucer Dr, Salinas, CA 93901
This business is conducted by an Individual Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
S/ Tonyia Dee Sampognaro,
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/08/2024.
5/3, 5/10, 5/17, 5/24/24
CNS-3808004#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: May 3, 10, 17, 24, 2024. (PC 503)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20240854
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **CARMEL NAIL BAR, 114 Crossroads Boulevard, Carmel, CA 93923**.
Registered Owner(s): DEAN CUONG NGUYEN, 114 Crossroads Boulevard, Carmel, CA 93923
KIEU THI DANG, 114 Crossroads Boulevard, Carmel, CA 93923.
This business is conducted by a married couple.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or

names listed above on April 26, 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/Dean Nguyen
Date signed: April 26, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 26, 2024.
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Publication Dates: May 3, 10, 17, 24, 2024 (PC 505)

Lien Sale Auction Advertisement
Notice is hereby given that Pursuant to the California Self-Service Storage Facility Act, (B&P Code 21700 et. seq.) Auction to be held at **12:00 pm On May 10th, 2024** at www.selfstorageauction.com. The property is stored at: **Coastal Storage, 575 California Ave, Sand City, CA 93955**. NAME OF TENANT: Henry Birner
Jerry Genaro Blanco
5/3/24
CNS-3809050#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: May 3, 2024. (PC 506)

Lien Sale Auction Advertisement
Notice is hereby given that Pursuant to the California Self-Service Storage Facility Act, (B&P Code 21700 et. seq.) Auction to be held at 1:00PM on May 15, 2024 at www.selfstorageauction.com. The property is stored at: **Marina U Store Self Storage 475 Reservation Road Marina, CA 93933** Jessica Morales
5/3/24
CNS-3808532#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: May 3, 2024. (PC 507)



Mother's Day – May 12, 2024



Visit a Pine Cone advertiser for special gifts, meals & entertainment your Mom will love!

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-24-984063-BF Order No.: 240046891-CA-VOO YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 6/10/2005. 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. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. **BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.** Trustor(s): ROSANNE MAYHEW, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN Recorded: 6/16/2005 as Instrument No. 2005060867 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of MONTEREY County, California; Date of Sale: 6/4/2024 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: **At the main entrance to the County Administration Building, located at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901** Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$764,798.05 The purported property address is: **109 PINE WAY, CARMEL, CA 93923-9603** Assessor's Parcel No.: **241-123-008-000 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 on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing 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 county 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 **916-939-0772** for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this internet website <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: **CA-24-984063-BF**. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. **NOTICE TO TENANT:** You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call **916-939-0772**, or visit this internet website <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: **CA-24-984063-BF** to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. **NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE OWNER-OCCUPANT:** Any prospective owner-occupant as defined in Section 2924m of the California Civil Code who is the last and highest bidder at the trustee's sale shall provide the required affidavit or declaration of eligibility to the auctioneer at the trustee's sale or shall have it delivered to QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION by 5 p.m. on the next business day following the trustee's sale at the address set forth in the below signature block. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. Date: **QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION 2763 Camino Del Rio S San Diego, CA 92108 619- 645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 916-939-0772 Or Login to: <http://www.qualityloan.com> Reinstatement Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318 QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION.** TS No.: CA-24-984063-BF IDSPub #0202151 5/10/2024 5/17/2024 5/24/2024
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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.

Folktales Winery in Carmel Valley — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Meredith McHenry** (Friday at 4 p.m.), violinist **Chris Lynch** (Saturday at 2 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

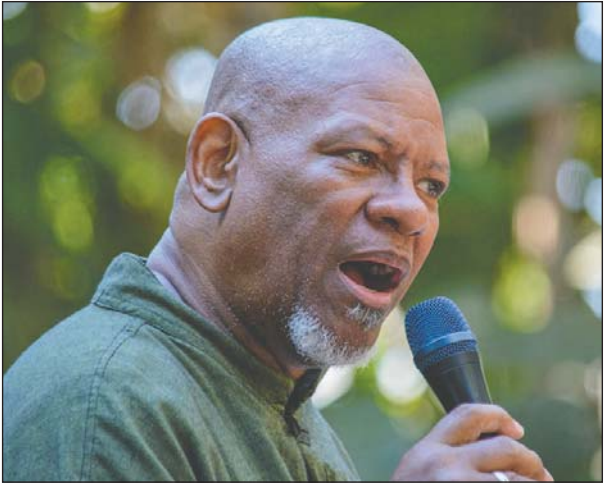
Gusto Pasta and Pizza in Seaside — singer **Nina Hadzi-Antich** and guitarist **Brice Albert** (jazz, Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). 1901 Fremont Blvd.

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.), singer and guitarist **Casey Frazier** (Tuesday at 6 p.m.). 120 Highlands Drive.

The Inn at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach — **The Andy Weis Band** (jazz, 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. and 11 a.m. Sunday), guitarist **Terrence Farrell** (Latin music, Sunday at 9 a.m.). 750 Cannery Row.

Juice ‘n’ Java in Pacific Grove — Open Mic (Friday at 7 p.m., sign up by 5:30 p.m.), singer and guitarist



Singer and keyboardist Scotty Wright joins bassist Joe Dolister Thursday, 6 p.m., at Midici Pizza in Monterey.

Peter Barnes Martin (jazz, Saturday at 6:30 p.m.), guitarist **Cat Broz** (Sunday at 11 a.m.), **The Dave Holodiloff Duo** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 599 Lighthouse Ave.

La Playa Hotel — guitarist **Glenn Bell** (jazz, Thursday at 5 p.m.). Bud’s Bar, Camino Real and Eighth, Carmel.

The Links Club — **The Chuck Brewer Band** (rock and blues, Friday at 7 p.m.), Singer-Songwriter Showcase (Tuesday at 7 p.m.). Carmel Plaza, Mission and Ocean, Carmel.

The Lodge at Pebble Beach — singer and pianist **John Harris** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m. and Sunday at 10 a.m.), **Reija Massey** (pop, rock and country, Saturday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **Robert McNamara** (classical, Sunday at 10 a.m. in the Card/Library Room), guitarist **John Sherry** (rock and blues, Thursday at 6 p.m.). In the Terrace Lounge at 1700 17 Mile Drive.

Lucy’s on Lighthouse in Pacific Grove — **Mix-tape** (pop and rock, Saturday at 2 p.m.), **The Lighthouse Band** (rock and soul, 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.

Midici Pizza in Monterey — singer **Lauri Hofer-Romero** and guitarist **Adam Astrup** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.), singer and keyboardist **Scotty Wright** and bassist **Joe Dolister** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St.

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

Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa — pianist **Gary Meek** (jazz, Friday and Sunday at 5 p.m.), pianist **Steve Mann** (jazz, Sunday at 9:30 p.m.), singer and pianist **Scott Brown** (jazz and pop, Saturday at 5 p.m.), pianist **Martan Mann**, (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Meredith McHenry** (Thursday at 5 p.m.). 400 Cannery Row.

O’Callaghan’s Pub — **The Transducers** (rock and funk, Saturday at 6 p.m.). In The Barnyard shopping center.

Pearl Hour in Monterey — **The Zach Westfall Group** (jazz, Sunday at 8 p.m.), **The Ben Herod Trio** (jazz, Wednesday at 8 p.m.). 214 Lighthouse Ave.

Puma Road at Portola Plaza in Monterey — singer and guitarist **Leche Malo** (Friday at 5 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Joyce Sampson** (Saturday at 5 p.m.), **The Smoky**



Singer Nina Hadzi-Antich and guitarist Brice Albert play jazz Tuesday, 5:30 p.m., at Gusto Pasta and Pizza in Seaside.

Vegas Project (“classic lounge,” Sunday at 5 p.m.). 281 Alvarado St.

Salty Seal Pub in Monterey — **The Lighthouse Band** (rock and soul, Friday at 8 p.m.), **The Edge Band** (rock, Saturday at 8 p.m.), **Santa Cruda** (reggae and hip-hop, Sunday at 4 p.m.), **Chuck and Buck** (rock and blues, Thursday at 7 p.m.). 653 Cannery Row.

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

Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Dave “Nomad” Miller** (Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place.

Wild Fish restaurant in Pacific Grove — **The Lighthouse Jazz Quartet** (Friday and Thursday at 6 p.m.). 545 Lighthouse Ave.

To update these listings, email chris@carmelpinecone.com.

PUBLIC NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20240871
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **FEMALEDRIVEN, 460 Ramona Avenue, Apt. 10, Monterey, CA 93940**.
Registered Owner(s): MEGAN PATRICIA SHEHAB, 460 Ramona Avenue, Apt. 10, Monterey, CA 93940.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 2, 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).
S/Megan Shehab
Date signed: April 29, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 29, 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: May 3, 10, 17, 24, 2024 (PC 508)

State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a corporation.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 17, 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/Robert M. Flores Castillo, Chief Executive Officer
Date: April 19, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 19, 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: May 3, 10, 17, 24, 2024. (PC 509)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20240834
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **SYSTEMATIC STRENGTH & CONDITIONING, 520 Lighthouse Ave, Suite 100, Pacific Grove, CA 93950**.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: SYSTEMATIC FITNESS SYSTEMS LLC, 1095 Mariners Way, Pebble Beach CA 93953.
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/Robert Fontecchio, Member
Date: April 23, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 23, 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: May 3, 10, 17, 24, 2024. (PC 512)

es described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING:
DATE: July 12, 2024
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
DEPT: 13A
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 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.
(s) Thomas W. Willis
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: April 30, 2024
Publication Dates: May 3, 10, 17, 24, 2024. (PC 512)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. 24CV001771
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, JOSE GUDALUPE NOLASCO, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. Present name: JOSE GUDALUPE NOLASCO
Proposed name: JOSE GUADALUPE NOLASCO ALVAREZ
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name change

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Dec. 5, 2023.
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).
S/Daniel Oh
Date signed: May 1, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 1, 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: May 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024 (PC 513)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20240872
Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
1. DEL MONTE GOLF COURSE
2. DEL MONTE GOLF SHOP
3. DEL MONTE GOLF GRILL
1300 Sylvan Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: CYPRESS I, LLC, 2700 17 Mile Drive, Pebble Beach, CA 93953.
CYPRESS II, LLC, 2700 17 Mile Drive, Pebble Beach, CA 93953.
PEBBLE BEACH COMPANY, 2700 17 Mile Drive, Pebble Beach, CA 93953.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: DE
This business is conducted by a general partnership.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 20, 1999.
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/David Heuek
Date: March 11, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 29, 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: May 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024. (PC 515)

14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: May 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024. (PC 514)

LIEN SALE AUCTION ADVERTISEMENT
Notice is hereby given that Pursuant to the California Self-Service Storage Facility Act, (B&P Code 21700 et. Seq.), the undersigned will sell at public auction; personal property including but not limited to furniture, clothing, tools, and /or other misc. items.

Auction to be held at **1:00pm** on **May 24, 2024** at:
www.selfstorageauction.com

The property is stored at:
Leonard’s Lockers Self Storage, 816 Elvee Drive, Salinas, CA 93901

NAME OF TENANTS

John Gill	Lute Fukofuka Vea
Gabriel Novoa	Jose Alfredo Rojas Ontiveros
Jimmie Dale Moore	

Publication date: May 10, 2024 (PC526)

CARMEL HIGHLANDS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING PRELIMINARY BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2024-24

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 22, 2024 at 12:30 p.m. the Carmel Highlands Fire Protection District, Board of Directors will meet to consider adoption of the Preliminary Budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Preliminary Budget is available for inspection at the District’s fire station located at 73 Fern Canyon Road, Carmel, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. after May 22, 2024.

DATED: May 7, 2023
Leslie Baek, Secretary of the Board

Publication dates:
May 10 & 17, 2024
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The Carmel Pine Cone

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May 10-16, 2024



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Andrea Thatcher to Michelle Payton
APN: 009-082-003

Lobos Street, 3 NW of Fourth Avenue — \$2,500,000
Patrick Baxter to Gayle Nickel and Shahryar Soroosh
APN: 010-014-007

Santa Fe Street, 4 NW of Mountain View — \$3,950,000
DHN Properties LLC to Andrea Spungen
APN: 010-081-013

Monte Verde Street, 3 NW of Eighth Avenue — \$6,300,000
Steiny Capital LP to Gaurang Desai and Nancy Paxton



215 Lobos Avenue, Pacific Grove — \$1,405,000

APN: 010-195-005

Carmelo Street, NW corner of Eighth Avenue — \$7,225,000

See HOME SALES page 4RE

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Paseo Vista — \$775,000
John Mann to E79 Development LLC
APN: 259-171-010

4000 Rio Road unit 72 — \$1,040,000
Stephany Sherlock to Robert and Rosemary Tintle
APN: 015-541-075

Rio Vista Drive — \$2,050,000



43 Garzas Road, Carmel Valley — \$2,100,000

Kathy Lowe to Alisa Dezee
APN: 015-041-005

43 Garzas Road — \$2,100,000



24646 Guadalupe Street, Carmel — \$1,680,000

Kenneth McIntire and Irene Lawrence to
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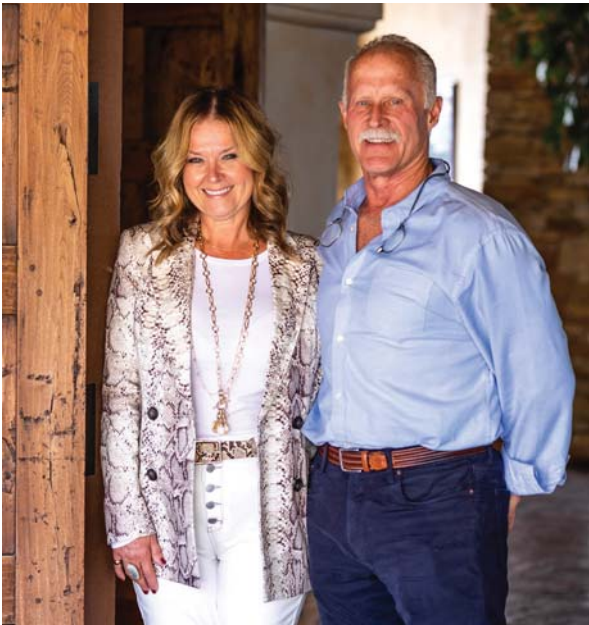
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Remembering Mama in a can of soup or a package of silky soap flakes

THE STORY of the relationship between mothers and sons has been complicated since Oedipus had 20/20 vision. My relationship with my mother, however, was a nuanced and enduring bond that, for the 60 years it lasted, went through several iterations including love, affection, trust and sometimes conflict.

To others, she was Mom, Gramma, Big Aunt Ro, Rose, or Mrs. G., but she was Mama to me. She could be infuriating and irrepressible, irritating and irresistible. She could be as sharp as a tack or as tactless as an “Eyewitness News” reporter sticking a microphone in your face. She was the Queen of Hugs, squeezing the breath from her

grandchildren, yet she could leave me breathless with a psychological body punch capable of putting Mike Tyson down for the count.

She was an influencer long before TikTok came on the scene. She didn’t have 400 million followers like Taylor Swift does, but you didn’t have to plunk down a couple of grand to see her. Her influence on me is undeniable. My love for the arts, from Brecht to Bogart, and from Picasso to Puccini, came from her.

Thus, I remember Mama for her all the fine characteristics she instilled in me, for introducing me to the arts, and for stuffing me with the best pasta and meatballs ever

Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVASE

passed around at a Sunday dinner. But — and this would make her laugh — I remember Mama every time I reach for something in the pantry. Many of the products I buy today are the same ones Mama bought when I was young. Unfortunately, pasta is not one of them. Mama bought Gioia macaroni, which was a hometown product of Buffalo, N.Y. Sometimes she made her own pasta. I wouldn’t attempt to duplicate that.

Good enough for Dad

Mama didn’t drink coffee, but she bought Maxwell House because my father liked it. It was his morning drink and I began drinking it at an early age. My father said if it was good enough for him, it was good enough for his kids. Besides, Maxwell House doesn’t cost the price of a round-trip ticket to Brazil like some of the designer coffees available today. Nabisco made saltine crackers called Skyflake Wafers, which we crumbled up in our Campbell’s tomato soup until the spoon stood up straight. I cannot get those crackers anymore, but I still buy Campbell’s tomato soup.

Several more of Mama’s brands line my shelves. I smile when I look at my pantry and see French’s mustard, Heinz ketchup, Hellman’s mayo, Morton’s salt, Gold Medal flour, Bisquick, Van Camp’s beans, Le Sueur Peas, and Welch’s jelly. I swear Mama bought Kraft Velveeta cheese because it came boxed in a loaf that could stop a bullet, or, if you were unlucky enough to take a bullet,

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POLICE LOG

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THURSDAY, APRIL 25

Pebble Beach: Deputies performed a welfare check on an elderly person on Sunridge Road.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Suspicious letter regarding Carmel High School. CPD received an anonymous letter detailing alleged behavior(s) by an adult toward several teenage students. Referred to sheriff’s department school resource officer for follow-up.

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A victim sustained a

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GERVASE

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a thick slice of Velveeta could stanch the bleeding, heal the wound, and provide sandwiches for lunch on meatless Fridays.

Confetti egg

Speaking of lunch, I brown-bagged it in high school. This always inspired great interest among my classmates, because I never knew what would be in the bag. Once, there was what looked like a hard-boiled egg, but something about it was off. It was too light. When I cracked it open, confetti came out. Somehow, Mama had cut off a portion of the egg, drained its contents, then glued it back together. Imagine the time and love it took to do that. Another time my lunch was two slices of bread with nothing between them except a note that read: “Out of cold cuts, pick up some lunchmeat on your way home.”

Usually, my lunch sandwiches were made with thick-crust Italian bread, but occasionally she would change things up, using plain white Wonder Bread with the crusts removed and the sandwiches cut

into various geometric figures. You haven’t lived until you’ve had a hexagonal bologna sandwich.

Mama’s favorite radio show was “The Lux Radio Theater,” hosted by famous Hollywood director Cecil B. DeMille. The program presented adaptations of movies condensed to one hour, often with the actors who starred in the films. Lever Brothers was she show’s sponsor, so Mama used their Lux Soap Flakes, a product I bought for years until it disappeared from store shelves.

Mama’s been gone for almost 30 years. It should be easy to describe someone, who, for the first 18 years of my life, was more important to me than any of the billions of other people on the planet, but there are distinct spiritual forces and bonds that are inexplicable. She lives now in the photos of a lifetime and in a dozen labels in my pantry. I can laugh and cry at those wonderful moments of fun, adventure, excitement, and even frustration and sorrow. Her influence on me, whether it was character building or supermarket shopping, defines much of who I am today. Influence that is good to the last drop.

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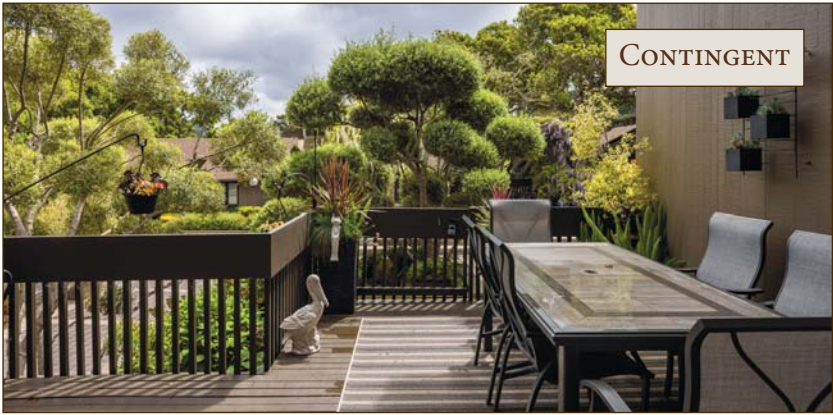
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3111 Patio Drive, Pebble Beach — \$3,200,000

SHERIFF

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head injury due to a fall on a public sidewalk on Lincoln north of Seventh.

Pacific Grove: Medical call on Asilomar Avenue. Coroner case: suicide.

Pacific Grove: A trespasser was arrested at Country Club Gate for outstanding warrants.

Pacific Grove: Dog bite on Lobos Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle at Sloat and Eardley was marked as abandoned.

Pebble Beach: A female Stevenson Drive resident was reported missing.

Carmel area: Deputies responded to a report of shoplifting at the Crossroads. The suspect was gone on arrival.

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 21-year-old male from Salinas was arrested at Scenic and 13th at 0010 hours with two outstanding warrants. Charges included robbery, kidnapping and DUI.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Unknown subject dropped a sandy cell phone in front of the station.

Pacific Grove: Report of a gift card scam at Country Club Gate Center.

Pacific Grove: Vandalism at Lovers Point.

Carmel Valley: Deputies documented an incident in the roadway between neighbors on Cachagua Road.

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Joseph Wible and Baldridge Trust to Ashley Arcoleo
APN: 006-713-009

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Frank Mayer and Sherri Goering to Claire Murray
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NEW LISTING

PACIFIC GROVE

www.TimelessPG.com
\$1,525,000

Ideally located between downtown Pacific Grove and Lover's Point just one block from the water is this timeless Victorian cottage.



GREENFIELD

www.ValleyViewscape.com
\$895,000

This 40-acre property with mountain views is fully fenced with equestrian grade fencing and includes a 3-stall stable, hay storage barn, and country home.



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