

After two-month wait, post office lobby reopens

By MARY SCHLEY

NINE WEEKS after an elderly Pebble Beach woman crashed her car into the front of the Fifth Avenue post office — causing so much damage that that part of the building was declared unsafe — it reopened with a temporary fix Wednesday morning.

Last Thursday afternoon, planning director Brandon Miller, building official Jermel Laurie and building inspector Duane Dauphinee met with the local postmaster, Jorge Gonzalez, and "came to an agreement on a temporary solution that would get the lobby back open on the Fifth Avenue side," Swanson said, so residents could finally be able to buy stamps, mail packages and use the other services that have been unavailable since the building was damaged.

The plan they developed called for walling off the damaged section of the lobby on both sides, while letting the public use the undamaged doors from Fifth Avenue and access the customer service area from the post office box vestibule.

Extraordinary measures

The building's property management company, Manco Abbott, agreed to the construction, and Dauphinee and Laurie met with a representative from Cal Con Construction the next day. Work on the temporary fix started Monday and wrapped up Tuesday afternoon, and the post office reopened for business at 10 a.m. Wednesday.

Swanson acknowledged the city's involvement in what's considered a private matter between the building

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PHOTO/KERRY BELSER

Residents can once again buy stamps, mail packages and conduct other business at the post office, thanks to a temporary fix.

Big response keeps Cachagua grass fire small

By MARY SCHLEY

AFTER A person who claimed to be hiking at 11:45 p.m. Sunday reported seeing a grass fire deep in Carmel Valley, volunteer firefighters from Cachagua and crews from Cal Fire managed to find it and confine it to a 5-acre area in just a couple of hours, according to Cachagua Fire Asst. Chief Heather Curry.

"According to what we heard, someone was hiking and saw it from a distance," she said. "We located the fire at the 31-mile marker of East Carmel Valley Road."

Nighttime temperatures

It was burning in the brush by the side of the road and spreading slowly, thanks to favorable weather conditions. Had it ignited earlier in the day, considering it was a particularly hot weekend, crews would have been battling a significantly different fire.

Because the fire broke out at night, the temperature was mild, and there was "little to no wind, so that was very helpful," she said. "The fuels weren't overly heated like they would have been during the day."

Cachagua Fire, which is entirely staffed by volunteers, brought two engines, while Cal Fire scrambled five engines, a dozer and a water tender, according to Curry.

"Between Cachagua Fire Department and units from Cal Fire, we were able to contain it at 5 acres after approximately two hours," she said. "It was a great team effort between the two agencies." Cachagua Fire's crews were sent home around 4:30 a.m. Monday, while Cal Fire units remained at the scene for several more hours to finish mopping up and to keep an eye out for any hotspots, according to Curry.

Burned car

She didn't know what started the blaze but suspects a damaged car firefighters discovered at the scene might have had something to do with it.

"It's most likely under investigation through Cal Fire,

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City studies crackdown on 'ugly' granny units

By MARY SCHLEY

HE RECENT construction of a large granny unit on a corner lot at Monte Verde and 13th has evoked enough outcry that it's now publicly known, at least in some circles, as "the worst ADU in the city." That title formerly belonged to the accessory dwelling unit built at Guadalupe and Fourth across from the Carl Cherry Center, and both have generated a lot of conversation, especially among Carmel planning commis-

Bridge railings loom as statewide issue

■ Historic posts and 'flickering views'

By CHRIS COUNTS

TAKING ON a topic that has been debated for eight years and stirred up a hornets nest of opinions, the Monterey County Board of Supervisors Tuesday voted unanimously to again reject a request by Caltrans to replace the aging railings along Garrapata Bridge in Big Sur.

The state roads agency contends the old railings are falling apart, and new ones with beefier posts must be installed to keep the drivers of modern cars safe. But some locals, along with a handful of activists from elsewhere, said the railings should be replaced in kind to preserve the flickering views between the smaller posts they were originally built with — and they warned that approval of Caltrans' plan would be precedent-setting for historic bridges throughout California.

Compromise fails

The June 25 hearing came three months after the last public meeting on the subject in March, when supervisors OK'd the formation of a committee with three locals and three Caltrans representatives in an attempt to break the deadlock. Unfortunately, as several committee members reported at the hearing, a compromise wasn't reached.

Caltrans official Peter Hendrix urged supervisors Tuesday to let Caltrans upgrade the historic Garrapata Bridge with new and safer ones.

"We have a responsibility to keep our bridges and highway in good condition and give motorists a safe driving experience," Hendrix said. "If we believed we could replace the railings in kind and know that it would be a crash-safe barrier, we would be happy to do so. The existing railing has deteriorated and cannot be repaired — it must be replaced."

Hendrix said that a critical window for doing the work is closing.

"The project is running a high risk of failure to deliver," he warned. "If we delay this decision much further, we run into more peril. By December, the ability to fund the project is next to zero."

Legislative action?

A number of speakers pushed back against the necessity of changing the look of the railings, including county planning commissioner Martha Diehl, who spoke as a resident who lives near the bridge.

While Diehl said she has "great appreciation for the

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RuffRaff gets to work





PHOTO/CACHAGUA FIRE

A Cal Fire investigation concluded Sunday night's fire in Upper Carmel Valley ignited after a car ran off the road into dry grass. sioners and others fuming at their loss of control over such development.

An ordinance being drafted by the planning department might prevent similar units, which are basically mandated by state laws that wrested away most local oversight in the name of encouraging the construction of more housing. But Coastal commission

says Carmel is a 'special community'

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two powerful state agencies will have to sign off on the ordinance first, according to assistant city administrator Brandon Swanson, and they might not see things the same way.

The California Coastal Commission advocates for coastal access, but also has a history of vigorously protecting natural resources, while the California Department of Housing and Community Development is intent on

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After RuffRaff the dog got lost in Devendorf Park during a game of hide and seek and was later found by police, he was immediately hired to work the night shift. See page 23A.

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Maisy is an American foxhound mixed with a little pit bull and some border collie. She endured three adoptions by the time she was 2 years old. Her first three families found her aggressive. Her forever family finds her rambunctious, alert and really sweet.

Maisy's person had recently lost his previous foxhound when he learned of one in a Montana shelter on the docket to be euthanized. He departed his Monterey home and paired a fishing trip with a rescue mission.

"I couldn't be the fourth person to fail this young dog," he said. "She'd been beaten up pretty good by other dogs at the shelter. She needed a solid chance, and I wanted to give it to her."

Once back home, he took the dog called "Honey" to his veterinarian, who studied her a moment and said

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she looked more like a "Maisy."

"My other hound was named Daisy," her person said, "so Maisy sounded just right to me."

Maisy — an active outdoor dog, who loves to race around in the sand, chase after sticks or a ball, meet other canines and splash through the surf — is a regular at Carmel Beach. She also enjoys retrieving a ball across the field at Quail Lodge.

Much more confident these days, Maisy seems friendly with everyone, which she demonstrates by jumping up with both paws.

"Maisy has some issues, but we all do," her person said. "Getting her out of a shelter where aggression kept her alive and bringing her into a loving place where she feels safe and can sleep on the bed is doing a lot to help her. We take walks together, and she hangs out at my work. She knows she can count on me. We're the typical story of when you rescue shelter dogs, they end up rescuing you."



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State reports salaries for cities, counties

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE AVERAGE salary last year for an employee of the City of Carmel was \$97,471 — in contrast to \$89,555, the average yearly pay for employees of the County of Monterey. These numbers and many others are available in a report of 2023 payroll data for city and county governments that was issued this week

by State Controller Malia M. Cohen. California law requires cities, counties and special districts to report annual compensation data to salary is \$97K her office, which publishes it. The report also offers payroll data for state workers.

The average salary for a Carmel city worker was up from \$85,221 in 2022, an increase of more than 14

percent. In addition to salary, the city's employees averaged \$24,769 in health and retirement benefits last year.

Hayward is highest city

The highest salary listed last year for a Carmel employee was \$261,954 for city administrator Chip Rerig. A pair of police sergeants made the next two highest salaries, according to the state controller, at \$250,364 and \$222,005, while a paramedic received \$216,999, and the public works director was paid \$207,677.

While Carmel pays its employees well, the amount is considerably lower than Hayward, which had the top average salary among cities at a staggering \$134,461.

At the other end of the scale, the average King City employee made \$36,768, while their counterparts in Greenfield earned an average of \$53,206.

So what city employee in the state earned more wages than any other? Santa Monica paid one police officer an eye-popping \$970,000.

The highest paid mayor in the state was

Average in Carmel and **\$90K in county** government

London Breed in San Francisco. She took home \$364,582 — \$130,000 more than the next-highest-paid mayor and three times more than the vast majority of California's mayors. (Carmel Mayor Dave Potter received stipends totaling \$2,400 last year.) The report also lists the salaries for

those working in education. Top pay for local school administrators and educators included \$327,336 for the president of

Cal State University Monterey Bay (Vanya Quiñones), and between \$230,000 and \$350,000 for four administrators. The highest-paid department chair at CSUMB earned \$225,273, while the faculty member with the top salary made \$215,167.

The report didn't show 2023 salary numbers for employees of the Carmel

Unified School District, but it noted that in 2022, the superintendent made \$285,186, while the chief business official earned \$238,180, and the chief human resources officer made \$223,833. Four school principals in the CUSD received more than \$200,000.

Medical tops county costs

Because the county operates Natividad Medical Center, its top paid workers are mostly in the medical field. The chief of surgery made \$716,257, while the chief ob/ gyn surgeon was paid \$624,069. The hospital's chief executive officer took home \$484,831, and 13 physicians earned more than \$400,000. The chief nursing officer was paid \$382,273, while 88 nurses made more than \$200,000.

The top Monterey County salary for non-medical personnel went to a deputy sheriff in corrections who received \$403,360. Next on the list was a deputy sheriff in operations who took home

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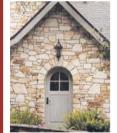


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Worrisome anonymous flowers

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 11

Pacific Grove: Vehicles on Lighthouse, Congress and Crocker were marked as abandoned.

Carmel area: Report of identity theft on Carmel Rancho Lane.

Big Sur: Male subject reported his family member missing.

Carmel Valley: Adult Protective Services referral alleging financial abuse and neglect of physical care at a Carmel Valley Road residence.

Carmel area: APS referral regarding financial abuse at an Oak Court residence.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Adult Protective Services report at Lincoln and Fifth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Ticket sign-off at Carmel P.D.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found cell phone left at the pickleball court at Forest Hill Park. The phone was later returned to the owner.

Carmel area: Online report regarding package theft from a residence on San Pedro Lane.

Pebble Beach: Adult Protective Services referral alleging psychological and mental abuse at a residence on Sloat Road.

Pebble Beach: A female on Lasauen Road reported her grandchildren being abducted.

Carmel Valley: Female reported suspicious circumstances on Carmel Valley Road. Pebble Beach: APS referral alleging iso-

lation at a residence on Bristol Lane.

Pebble Beach: APS referral alleging financial abuse at a residence on Madrone Lane.

Carmel area: APS referral alleging financial abuse and neglect at a residence on San Mateo Avenue.

Pebble Beach: APS referral alleging financial abuse at a residence on Ocean Pines Lane residence.

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The gavel falls

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

June 12 — Justin Solorio, aka "Perico," age 27 of Prunedale, pled no contest to a series of robberies, narcotics sales, and an assault he committed on several deputies with fellow Norteño gang members in Monterey County Jail. These offenses constitute six strike offenses under California law, and Solorio will be sentenced to a 24-year prison term by Judge Mark E. Hood on July 11.

On Sept. 29, 2023, Solorio entered a Salinas residence, pointed a firearm at a female resident and demanded money, but fled the home without any items. Less than an hour later, Solorio went to a Salinas gas station and robbed the female gas station attendant. Two weeks later, Solorio committed an armed robbery of a Salinas business where he stole more than \$1,000 cash from the female business owner.

Officers reviewed surveillance footage from these robberies and developed Solorio as a suspect because of his unique hairstyle.

In November 2023, officers arrested Solorio and searched his residence. This search yielded cocaine that exceeded \$6,000 in street value. Review of a cell phone seized from Solorio revealed videos he took on the day of the final robbery.

Just before the robbery, Solorio filmed himself in the same attire the masked robber wore in the robbery. In a second video, taken a few hours after that robbery, he displayed the cash he stole from the business and the firearm he used in the robbery. Numerous text messages on Solorio's phone, whose nickname, "Perico," is slang for cocaine, showed he engaged in ongoing narcotics sales throughout 2023.

On March 17, 2024, deputies in Monterey County Jail tried to confiscate a contraband tattoo gun from Norteños housed in the jail. Solorio joined four more Norteños in a group attack on deputies that resulted in injuries to three deputies.

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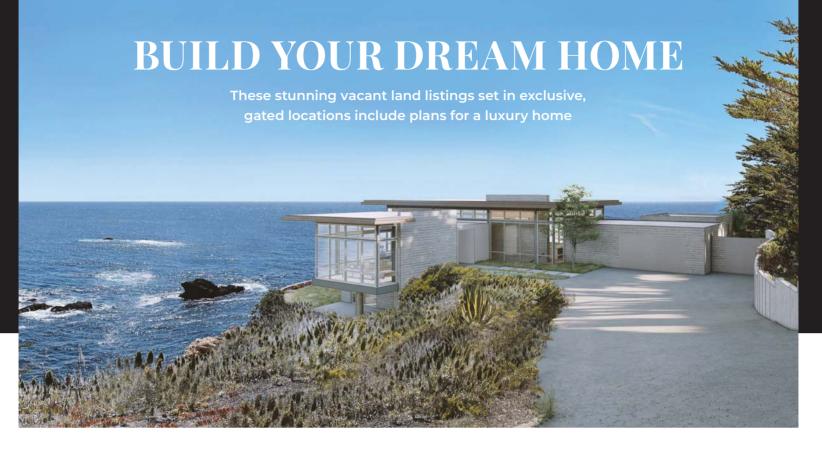




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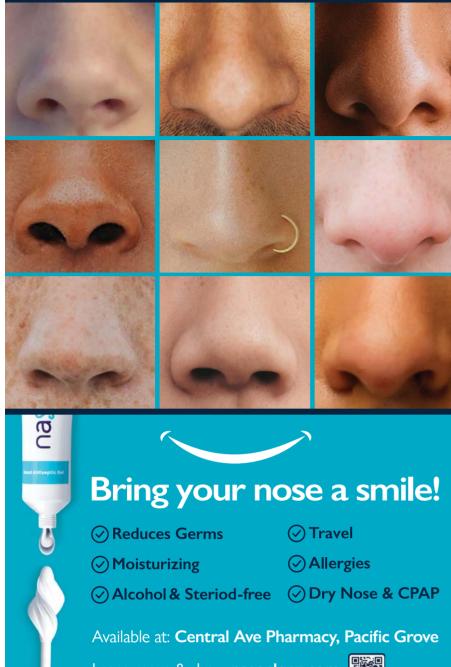
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Surveillance cams spot stolen car

By MARY SCHLEY

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PRIYESH PATEL — a man known to many Carmel residents who frequent downtown, as well as to local police — was arrested earlier this month for

allegedly stealing a car from a Mission Fields resident who had left it unlocked with the keys inside. Patel, 39, is often seen walking through town, occasionally playing music and striking up conversation with passersby or talking to himself.

The case filed against him by the Monterey County District Attorney's Office June 12 is his first felony but one of 10 criminal cases filed during the past two years, according to Superior Court records. Patel has also been written more than a dozen traffic tickets since 2007.

After the victim, Michael Hirst, reported his black 2005 Lexus RX330 had been stolen,

Carmel Police entered its plate number into the city's Flock surveillance camera system, which captures images of vehicles and their license plates. On June 9 shortly after 12:30 p.m. and again just before 1 p.m., the system notified police the stolen vehicle had been spotted on Monte Verde and on Sixth, according to Sgt. Jacob Clifford.

Denies stealing it

The next morning, Sgt. Michael Bruno saw the Lexus parked facing westbound on Sixth Avenue east of Junipero, so he took up a position out of sight nearby and kept an eye on the car. Bruno "conducted surveillance on the vehicle and observed Priyesh Patel load things into the vehicle and drive it to the Comfort Inn at Torres and Ocean," Clifford said.

Clifford and Bruno then approached and detained the man as he got out of the

Lexus.

"Patel denied stealing the car," Clifford said. "Meth and a meth pipe were found in the trunk. Patel has numerous meth-related prior arrests."

Patel, who lists a Carmel post office box as his address, was booked into Monterey County Jail for felony possession of a stolen vehicle and several misdemeanors, including drug possession, violation of probation

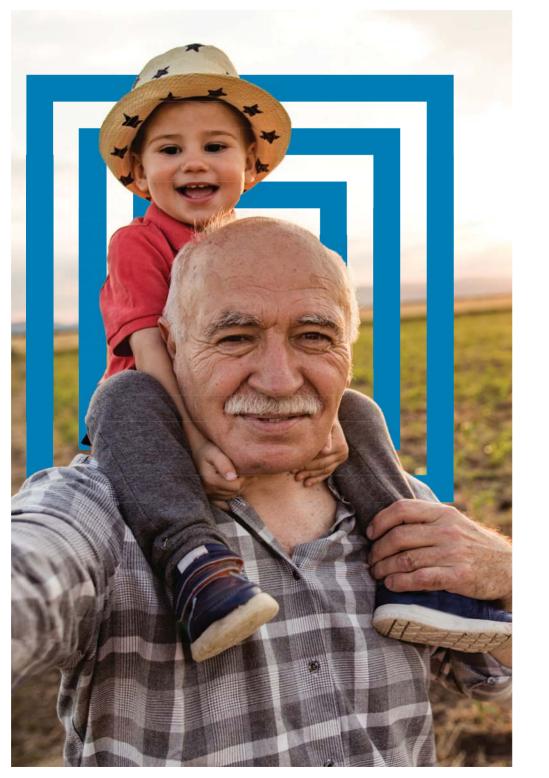
Priyesh Patel

and driving on a suspended license. Officers also returned the Lexus to its rightful owner.

Many of Patel's prior cases involve drug offenses, failure to appear in court and violation of probation, along with trespassing, making threats, driving on a suspended license and brandishing an imitation firearm. Several counts, most of them drug-related, have been dismissed by the district attorney's office "in furtherance of justice" when he has pleaded guilty to other charges, and Patel has served a few short stints in county jail.

The most recent case was set for a meeting with the judge last week, but no future court dates have been set.

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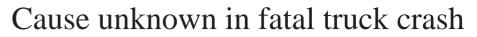


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By MARY SCHLEY

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A 33-YEAR-OLD Carmel Valley man died in a car crash on Carmel Valley Road east of the Village early Saturday morning, according to the California Highway Patrol, but the wreckage, an overturned pickup truck far down a ravine near a section of road locally known as "the bucket," wasn't found until hours later.

"The crash was not witnessed," CHP public information officer Saul Perez said Monday. The person who later reported it "heard something at approximately 2 a.m. on June 22," but did not see anything or call 911 to alert authorities at the time.

Shortly before 11:30 a.m., however, the caller "located a pickup truck down an embankment and called 911," he said.

On Carmel Valley Road east of the Village, firefighters made their way down the steep embankment and located an overturned Toyota Tacoma pickup truck and its driver, who had died in the crash. The wreckage was hoisted up by a crane and loaded onto a wrecker to be taken to the CHP's evidence storage yard.

The Monterey County Sheriff's Office later identified the victim as Chet Miller.

According to the CHP's preliminary investigation, Miller was driving eastbound on Carmel Valley Road east of Klondike Road at an unknown speed when, for an unknown reason, he "failed to negotiate a lefthand curve in the roadway and allowed the Toyota to crash into the guardrail."

"The Toyota went over the guardrail and traveled down an embankment until it came to rest on its roof," Perez said.

It's unknown whether alcohol and/or drugs were a factor in the crash, which is still under investigation, and Perez asked anyone who might have information to call the CHP Monterey Area office at (831) 770-8000 or email MontereyCHPTips@ chp.ca.gov.

Troubled life

According to Miller's social media, he was a Carmel Valley native who graduated from Carmel Valley High School and attended Monterey Peninsula College. He would have turned 34 next month.

Monterey County Superior Court records indicate he also struggled during his short life. In addition to accumulating eight traffic tickets for various infractions between 2011 and last year, Miller was named in five misdemeanors, the earliest dating to late 2009, when he was arrested for DUI at the age of 19 and subsequently pleaded guilty. Other convictions included a second DUI two years later, driving on a suspended license, and carrying a loaded gun in a car. The one active case included a shoplifting charge to which he pleaded not guilty June 5 after failing to appear at a January court hearing and subsequently having a warrant issued for his arrest in April.

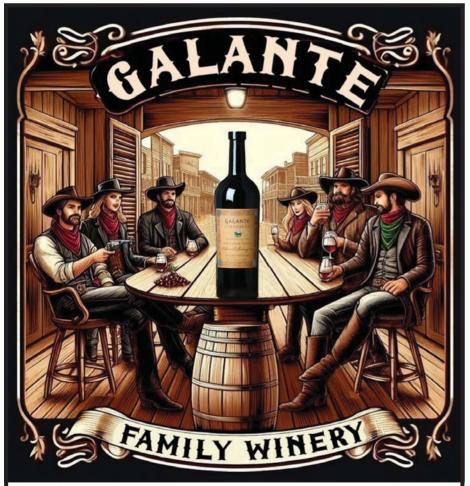
Opportunistic burglars hit Little Napoli

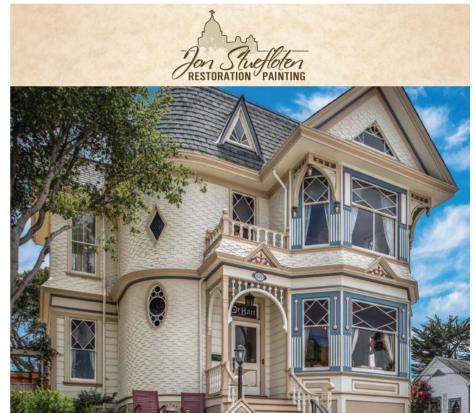
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RESTAURANTS AREN'T usually targeted by burglars since they don't contain a lot of items that can generate quick cash, but a pair of opportunistic thieves found an open door at Little Napoli at Dolores and Seventh shortly before 4 a.m. June 25 and decided to take advantage of it, Carmel Police Sgt. Gerald Maldonado said Wednesday.

The two were caught on camera entering the restaurant, and they took "miscellaneous items," he said.

"It doesn't appear any high value items were taken," he said. "A painting valued at \$100, and maybe an instrument? We are awaiting a full inventory."







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CAR DAMAGED BY EUCALYPTUS LIMB

By CHRIS COUNTS

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m A}$ KIA sports utility vehicle belonging to an unsuspecting motorist suffered considerable damage Wednesday when a limb from a massive eucalyptus tree at Carmel Valley and Boronda

roads fell on it.

A witness reported that the vehicle was turning around when it was in the wrong place at the wrong time. Thankfully, those in the car appeared to be uninjured.

"The family just realized they missed their turn and were turning around when the limb fell on them," resident Michele Henderson posted on Facebook. "I'm so happy they were all OK."

The woman noted that another large limb looks like it's ready to fall, too. "It is hovering over Boronda Road, not attached to a tree, and just balancing from tree to tree.'

A couple dozen residents commented on the Facebook post, including a man who recalled that there once was a push to trim the trees, but the effort stalled over concerns they have historical value. "Hopefully, we can get the county to trim these trees," he said.

Same old story?

The Pine Cone ran stories about the and the threats they pose — in 2009 and 2013. In 2009, a plan to remove 23 trees was met with strong opposition. "About

95 percent of those responding with comments were opposed to the removal project," reported then-public works director Yazdan Emrani.

Some blame the trees for causing accidents at the intersection because they limit



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A motorist was turning around near the intersection of Carmel Valley and Boronda roads when a limb fell and struck his car.

> visibility along Carmel Valley Road. A Pine Cone employee was badly injured making a left-hand turn there in the 1980s. But others insist the risk of collisions at the site is overblown.

In the 2013 article, Carmel Valley historian Elizabeth Barrett told the newspaper that the trees were planted in 1878 and 1881 by Kinzea Clinkinbeard, the brother-in-law of former Oakland Mayor Nathan Spaulding, who co-owned the 6,625-acre Rancho Los Laureles. It was mistakenly believed that the trees would be a good source of wood for the construction industry.

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JONATHAN SPENCER



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People with rap sheets get second chance during Clean Slate Day

June 28, 2024

By MARY SCHLEY

ANYONE WITH a criminal record — even for a minor offense — can have a hard time getting a job or renting an apartment. On June 28, the Monterey County Public Defender's Office is holding clinics to help people expunge those records, including some felonies, so they can move on with their lives.

Deputy public defender Zachary Newhouse, who specializes in what's called the Clean Slate Program, told reporters Wednesday that he's had clients who've successfully erased their records go on to become nurses, doctors and lawyers.

"This is an opportunity to remove barriers to success by clearing up criminal records so that individuals can pass background checks for employment, housing and state licensing," he said. Even a "shortlived encounter with the criminal justice system" can make those things difficult, if not impossible, he said.

New start

The Clean Slate Program, based on a law passed by the Legislature in 2019, helps people move past their criminal records so they can become productive members of society, according to Newhouse, and the public defender's office offers Clean Slate services daily, but the Friday events will take them out into the community to make it easier for people to get a new start.

Lawyers will set up at the Monterey County government center on West Alisal Street in Salinas and at Greenfield City Hall, and a women-only session will be held at Gathering for Women at 147 El Dorado St. in Monterey.

"It's good for the community, as it assists in rehabilitation and reintegration, reducing recidivism and promoting public safety and restorative justice, as well as humanitarian considerations," Newhouse said. "The laws have expanded significantly in the last few years, because the Legislature started to realize that if people are employable and they have housing, they don't commit more crimes."

"A lot of the people I encounter on a daily basis, it really turns their lives around dramatically," he added.

How the law works

California's Clean Slate Law seals the arrest and criminal records of eligible defendants. While such records will still be available to law enforcement, they'll be hidden from the public, including landlords and potential employers. In addition, occupational and state licensing boards can't deny a license to an individual based on an arrest that didn't result in a conviction or led to a conviction which was dismissed.

California's Clean Slate Law doesn't apply to every offense, but it does include arrests that didn't result in a conviction, misdemeanors and some nonviolent felonies. The law doesn't apply to defendants convicted of sexual assault, child abuse or domestic violence.

On Friday, attorneys from the public defender's office will screen participants for eligibility, provide fingerprint scans for background checks and offer counsel to those interested in getting their criminal records expunged, all for free.

To be eligible for the Monterey County clinic, you must have been arrested and convicted in the county, no longer be on parole or under any other sort of supervision, and not have any charges pending.

The Salinas session will run from 9 a.m. to noon, the Greenfield event will be held between noon and 3 p.m., and the women-only services will be offered from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. For more information, call (831-) 755-5058 or email cleanslate@ co.monterey.ca.us.

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Search narrows for planning director

June 28, 2024

By MARY SCHLEY

AN EXPANSIVE search for the next person to lead Carmel's planning and building department has been narrowed to a field of three, assistant city administrator Brandon Swanson said Thursday.

Swanson, who left his job with Monterey County to run the city's department in January 2021, was promoted to assistant city administrator earlier this year.

To find his replacement, the city undertook its own recruiting efforts and hired Ralph Andersen & Associates — which conducted the 2020 search that netted Swanson.

He said 10 or so qualified candidates rose to the top, and that group was whittled down to three who were subjected to two rounds of interviews, one with planning directors and experts in the field, and the other with Swanson and city administrator Chip Rerig.

"We had the first round of interviews last week, and the final round of interviews concluded yesterday," Swanson said Wednesday. "We're poised to make an offer to a candidate within the next week."

But which candidate that is remains uncertain, Swanson said.

He, Rerig and others are discussing the top three and have yet to settle on which will receive an offer.

'A collaborative effort'

"There's a reason we have two different panels — we all come together to talk about it, and it's a collaborative effort," he said. "Although Chip and I were the final interview, we're not making the decision in a vacuum."

It's critical that the person be "a good, strong, professional planner," who understands the codes and issues that affect local development in such a special part of the California coast.

Swanson said the job offer will be conditional upon background and reference checks. The salary range is \$182,523.68 to \$221,858.94 per year, plus benefits.

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What to know before "reversing" your retirement

For various reasons, many retirees are headed back to the workforce. If you're thinking of joining them, you'll need to consider some factors that may affect your finances.

First, if you've been taking Social Security, you could see your payments reduced if you earn over a certain level, at least until you reach your full retirement age, which is likely between 66 and 67.

And your Medicare Part B and Part D premiums are based on your income, so they could rise if you start earning more money. Also, your extra income could push you into a higher income tax bracket.

Still, going back to work can offer some

advantages. First, of course, is the added income, which can boost your cash flow and help you reduce your debts. Also, you can contribute to an IRA and possibly a 401(k) or similar employersponsored retirement plan.

And you might find some social benefits, too, as you re-engage with other workers.

Ultimately, you'll want to weigh the potential costs of going back to work against the possible benefits. There's no one right answer for everyone, but by looking at all the variables, you can reach a decision that works for you.

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Montage Medical Group pulmonologists (from left to right) Forest Mealey, MD and Sky Vanderburg, MD

Two new pulmonologists join Montage Medical Group

WE'RE ALL ATHLETES IN LIFE. THAT'S HOW DR. FOR-EST MEALEY SEES IT.

"Some people have goals of doing triathlons," Mealey says. "For some people, getting through the day with the least amount of shortness of breath is their athletic endeavor."

Mealey is one of two new pulmonologists who recently joined Montage Medical Group's team of primary care and specialty providers.

Before coming to Monterey County, Mealey practiced in the Bay Area after an internal medicine residency at Cleveland Clinic followed by a pulmonary and critical care fellowship at University of California, Davis.

He is joined by Dr. Sky Vander-

Ryan Ranch campus and inpatient care at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula's Intensive Care Unit (ICU).

In the outpatient setting, Mealey and Vanderburg care for patients with chronic or complex lung conditions like asthma, allergies, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, and lung cancer to help control their symptoms, manage their medications, and improve their quality of life.

In the ICU, Mealey and Vanderburg work closely with other clinicians including cardiologists, surgeons, neurologists, and nurses to care for patients with issues like heart attacks, strokes, infections, organ failure, and life support.

"The outpatient setting lets me get to know patients and under-

Access for all

When Vanderburg was a child, he watched his financially insecure and geographically isolated grandfather go blind from diabetes.

"His diabetes was hard to manage because there were so many barriers to care," Vanderburg says.

In medical school, Vanderburg learned that his grandfather's blindness was entirely preventable.

"That really stuck with me, and it continues to drive me today," he says.

Growing up in rural Missouri, he watched local independent doctors work to bring high-quality medical care to his community.

That inspired him to follow suit.

regardless of geography or ability to pay," Vanderburg says.

During residency, Vanderburg's passion for increasing access to healthcare led him to spend years studying respiratory infections in Sri Lanka and Tanzania.

He also conducted oxygen therapy research that helped providers in under-resourced parts of the world better manage chronic shortages of medical oxygen.

Vanderburg says that by caring for Monterey County communities, he is continuing his mission of increasing access to medical care for all.

"Taking a breath is core to our day-to-day experience and mental health," Vanderburg says. "I'm grateful to practice in a community with which I can connect and where I can make an impact. If you see me when you're out and about, I hope you'll say hi."

burg who comes to Montage Medical Group after an internal medicine and global health residency at Duke University and pulmonary and critical care fellowship at University of California, San Francisco, where he also began practicing.

Both doctors provide outpatient care at Montage Medical Group's

stand what they're doing in their everyday lives," Mealey says. "Understanding how people get into the hospital is an important part of caring for them when they're here. Whether they're in the ICU or just trying to breathe better, the priority is optimizing health to help patients get back to the athletic endeavor we call life."

"To me, medical advancements aren't fully implemented until they're available to everyone

"Whether they're in the ICU or just trying to breathe better, the priority is optimizing health to help patients get back to the athletic endeavor we call life." – Dr. Forest Mealey



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'HAMLET' OPENS FRIDAY AT BLUE FOX

By CHRIS COUNTS

 A FTER OPENING its season last month with a musical tribute to singer Billie Holiday in Sunset Center's Studio 105,



PHOTO/GLEN MCDOWEL

The New Canon Theatre Company presents a modern take on Shakespeare's "Hamlet" at a wine tasting shop in Carmel Valley Village

New Canon Theatre Company follows it up with "The Tragedy of Hamlet," which opens Friday at the Blue Fox Cellars tasting room in Carmel Valley Village.

An adaptation of Shakespeare's "Hamlet" — and directed by artistic director J. Matthew Gordon — the play features a modern twist. A managing director and co-founder of New Canon Theatre Co., Justine Stock, described the production as "a roughly two-and-a-half hour distillation about love, mortality, grief, the fragility of the human condition — and a celebration of the act of playmaking."

It's up to you

Few works of literature have been studied and analyzed more than "Hamlet," which Shakespeare wrote around the turn of the 17th century. But Stock prefers to let those in the audience decide what its deeper meaning is.

"I like to think that due to the richness of soul, spirit and breadth of the human experience contained within the work, we are blessed with a piece of dramatic literature that speaks solely to the individual who consumes it," she explained. "In our case, it is the viewer who has the authority to decide exactly what this play means to

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Artist leaves Bach festival big gift

By CHRIS COUNTS

 ${f J}_{\rm UST\ TWO\ weeks\ before\ kicking\ off}$ its 87th season, the Carmel Bach Festival received \$350,000 from the estate of Big Sur artist Emile Norman, who died in 2009 at 91.

"Emile was a passionate supporter of the arts and a faithful patron of the Carmel Bach Festival until his passing in 2009," the festival announced this week. "This meaningful gift — the largest awarded from his estate — attests to his love of the Festival and the music of J.S. Bach."

The festival's executive director, Nathan Lutz, called the gift "a testament to the power of music — and, more spe-cifically, the power of J.S. Bach" and said it "ensures the financial sustainability of the Carmel Bach Festival for many years to come."

Better late than never

After Norman passed away, his estate was caught up in litigation and financial troubles for a decade before one-time Monterey County Supervisor Marc Del Piero took over as trustee in 2019. The state attorney general's office was even involved in the case. "As of last summer, we began the process of identifying charitable organizations that Emile favored,"

Del Piero told The Pine Cone.

Norman was a prolific sculptor whose mountaintop Big Sur home is a literal work of art. Today, the house is caretaken by the Emile Norman Arts Foundation.

The artist also had deep ties to the Bach Festival.

"He and his partner, Brooks Clement, attended their first Bach Festival concert in 1946, marking the beginning of an impactful and devoted relationship," the festival said. "Throughout his decades of patronage of the Carmel Bach Festival, Emile attended countless rehearsals and concerts resplendent in his all-purple outfits, including purple high tops — even serving as a festival board member."

Subject of PBS show

The artist was the subject of a PBS documentary in 2006. The film was co-produced by "L.A. Law" actors Michael Tucker and Jill Eikenberry, who lived next door to Norman in Big Sur on land they bought from him.

Of all Norman's works, among the most impressive is a massive mosaic window that adorns the San Francisco Masonic Auditorium. The piece, which measures 40 by 46 feet, incorporates "thousands of bits

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Cherry Center seeks new art studio

By MARY SCHLEY

THE HISTORIC Carl Cherry Center for the Arts is on course to build a new art studio that will bring in more revenue for the nonprofit and give local artists a better space for working, board member Bob Walker told Carmel's historic resources board last week. At issue was whether a proposal to tear down a decrepit garage-turned-studio and replace it with a building more than twice its size conforms with federal rules for the treatment of historic properties. The historic board decided it does.

Associate planner Katharine Wallace told the board June 17 that, to accommodate the new building, the Carl Cherry Foundation wants to remove a 300-square-foot brick patio and 36-square-foot storage closet attached to the theater at Guadalupe and Fourth, along with a 360-square-foot decaying building that is believed to have once been a garage but was converted into a studio.

According to Wallace, the 20,000-square-foot corner property was first developed in 1894 by Delos Goldsmith, one of the city's early master builders. His two-story Queen Anne cottage was later bought by Carl Cherry's mother, who in 1937 sold it to her son and his wife, Jeanne D'Orge, for a dollar.

Evolution of the arts

The couple immediately altered the house to include a painting studio for D'Orge and a workshop for Cherry, including removing the second floor and all the windows on the street side, and adding skylights.

"The Carl Cherry complex has been continually used as a center for the arts since 1948," Wallace said.

A couple of outbuildings, one for meditation and the other possibly a garage, were added, though the dates are unknown, and an art studio designed by Pallard Keating Clay was built on the west side of the original house in 1952. The garage was later expanded for use as a studio and is the structure proposed for demolition.

An analysis in 2001 concluded the property is historically significant for its "major contributions in developing and supporting experimental fine arts in Carmel," and for Cherry's and D'Orge's contributions "to science and the arts." The year after Cherry died in 1947, D'Orge established the Carl Cherry Foundation in his memory.

Defining character

While the property is not historically significant for its architecture, it contains character-defining features including single-story buildings constructed of wood in a natural setting, grape stake fencing around the perimeter, and pathways and a sculpture building, according to Wallace. The studio designed by Clay is, in itself, significant, since he's a noted architect.

Historical consultant Meg Clovis reviewed the foundation's proposal and concluded it would comply with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties' standards for rehabilitation.

"The current board and batten siding will be reused to the extent possible, and any new siding will be redwood board and batten, which is compatible with the board and batten and horizontal wood siding of the other buildings on the site," she wrote. "The new art studio will be one story with a shed roof and two skylights. The new art studio is compatible with the simple features, size, scale,



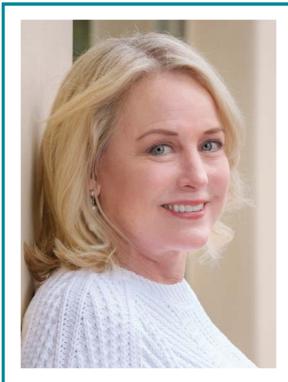
At the back of its large corner property, the Carl Cherry Foundation plans to build an art studio that will serve local creative types while making money.

proportions and massing of the other buildings within the complex."

She also noted that while, at 775 square feet, the new studio is much larger than the building it will replace, it will be 3 feet from the property line, while the old garage is 1 foot away.

Walker, a member of the Cherry Center Foundation's board of directors, said he drew the plans.

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Would-be serial killer denied parole in Lovers Point stabbing case

By MARY SCHLEY

A DEFENSE Language Institute student who conspired with a friend to become a serial killer and started with the brutal, but unsuccessful, stabbing of a woman on the recreation trail near Lovers Point 24 years ago was denied release by the State Board of Parole this week, according to Monterey County deputy district attorney Thomas Morgan.

Jessie Jay Carson was a 19-year-old Marine enrolled in the DLI when he and another Marine, Jason Blad, decided they wanted to become serial killers and "prepared and equipped themselves and eventually selected a lone victim to murder on the recreation trial at Lovers Point in Pacific Grove," Morgan said. "They restrained her, then repeatedly stabbed and slashed her. They taunted her with threats and promises of death."

The victim — who was a complete stranger to the two men and was unarmed, alone and vulnerable — suffered multiple stab wounds in her torso and slashes to her neck, according to Morgan, and the fact that she survived "was not due to any lack of effort on the part of the defendants."

She pleaded with Carson and Blad to leave her alone and let her die, but they continued their attack until passersby saw what was going on and rushed to the woman's aid, and they fled, according to the district attorney's office. "The actions of inmate Carson went well beyond that

"The actions of inmate Carson went well beyond that necessary for his conviction of attempted first-degree murder and shocked the Monterey Peninsula community," Morgan said, especially since the perpetrators were activeduty Marines.

Gruesome journal

During the investigation, both men were questioned as suspects, but they provided alibis that stood up at first. "It was not until months later when Carson experienced a breakdown that the truth was uncovered," Morgan said. "This was after Carson anonymously corresponded with local media in an attempt to taunt the authorities and the public about the attack."

Investigators subsequently found a journal in which Carson "chronicled his desires to become a serial killer and relished gruesome details about the attempted killing, including press clippings about the attack," he said.

Carson was convicted in June 2002, two years after the attack, of attempted first-degree murder, personal use of a deadly weapon and personal infliction of great bodily injury, and he was sentenced to 11 years to life in state

JERRY VAN MEGERT 1938 - 2024

World-renowned artist Jerry Van Megert would have much preferred a party or a gallery show over an obituary. Which is just what he got last November, when the Carmel Art Association hosted a retrospective exhibition of his work from a long and celebrated career in fine art. Subsequently, after a year-long journey through pancreatic cancer, Van Megert died on June 7. He was 86.

Respected for painting portraiture that portrayed both how his subjects appeared and who they were, he also was adept at depicting the energy and emotions of the coastal forests, local wildlife and beachscapes framing the sea just outside his Pebble Beach home and on down to Big Sur. Van Megert, as he was known professionally, aware of the tides of change among people and places, appreciated his ability for capturing a moment in each.

"The world around us is constantly changing before our eyes," he often said. "Our friends and loved ones never remain the same, but a portrait captures forever the emotions we felt at that point in time, giving us the pleasure of reliving precious moments."

So, too, the precious places.

Born in Salem, Oregon on May 2, 1938, he had a very happy childhood and was raised as an only child on a farm in Salem until his sister, Bonnie, arrived when he was 11. Van Megert understood, from age 6 that he had been born a painter. He learned by doing until he received an art scholarship to Salem's Willamette University. For two years at the private liberal arts college, he trained under the intense tutelage of art professor Carl Hill. Van Megert's devotion to painting eclipsed his willingness to sit



Photograph by Iain Anderson, courtesy Carmel Art Association

through the general education classes required to complete a four-year degree. He was ready to paint fine art!

In 1968, Van Megert headed south to explore the West Coast art enclaves in California. He found his community in Carmel and his "painter's perch" in a Pebble Beach sea cottage overlooking the craggy coastline. The property belonged to Stephen D. Bechtel, Jr., then CEO and chairman of his eponymous corporation. Enamored of Van Megert's work, he offered the artist a six-month caretaker residency which grew to 50 years, all on the assurance of a handshake. He became the "Artist in Residence," meeting and painting many well-known figures of the international business, political and entertainment worlds, their families and friends as well as local movers and shakers.

In 1998, Jerry Van Megert received a call in the night from Vicki Stewart, a Bechtel employee headed to an assignment at the Pebble Beach property, who had lost her way along the roads winding through the dark forest. He rescued her, later inviting her to a home cooked dinner, and the two became friends for the next 30 years. This included celebrating holidays with her large family and Christmas visits to Paris, where he would photograph street scenes, many at her behest, which he would later interpret on canvas at his studio there.

"Jerry and I were like each other's favorite beloved cousins," Stewart said. "We had such an easy

prison.

The June 25 parole hearing was Carson's sixth and was attended by the victim's parents, who pleaded with the two commissioners considering the case not to release their daughter's attacker. The district attorney's office argued for the same.

The board of parole decided Carson, now 42, poses "an unreasonable risk to public safety" and should therefore be denied parole for another three years.

"The victim's family have bravely attended over a dozen parole hearings, including Jason Blad's seven hearings, which resulted in a grant of parole over the families' and district attorney's objections," Morgan said. Blad was awarded parole in October 2022.

Under state Department of Corrections regulations, Carson could request an advance of his next parole hearing in 12 to 18 months.

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COLLEEN SULLIVAN

Colleen Sullivan, 92, passed into the arms of Jesus on June 14, 2024. She was born to Alfonsus "Sully" and Alfreda Louise Sullivan on September 14, 1933 in Mill Valley, California.

A lifelong Catholic, Colleen attended Dominican University of California in San Rafael. Upon graduating with a degree in education, she embarked on a lifelong teaching career. At age 23, wanting to travel, Colleen joined the Department of Defense



to teach American dependent children in the UK for a year, then in Germany for another four years.

While overseas, Colleen met MaryAnn Finocchi, establishing a life-long friendship. During their time in Europe, they would travel extensively, visiting art galleries, museums, churches and music venues.

Upon returning to the United States, Colleen settled in Monterey to continue her teaching career, primarily at Highlands School.

She was a long-standing parishioner of San Carlos Cathedral in Monterey and had a special devotion to the Infant of Prague. She will be missed by her many friends and some 3,000 former students.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at San Carlos Cathredral in Monterey on July 8.

In lieu of flowers, Colleen asked for donations to Dominican University of California, 50 Acacia Ave., San Rafael, CA 94901.

Special thanks to the staff of CHOMP, Hospice of the Central Coast, The Key Home Health Care and Merrill Gardens for their exceptional care of Colleen.

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compatibility and so much fun together. While Jerry was naturally introverted, I was his opposite. We were each other's Yin and Yang. Our relationship wasn't romantic; it was deeper."

In 1970, Jerry Van Megert joined the Carmel Art Association (CAA), where he found a cadre of colleagues in this legendary art colony by the sea. His also found community among his fellow campmates at the Bohemian Club, a gentleman's social club in San Francisco, and the Bohemian Grove, a 160-acre encampment among the redwoods in Northern California.

In 2018, the artist relinquished his coastal cottage and moved into The Park Lane in Monterey, where he continued to paint, daily, as he had every day of his life, until just last year.

Jerry Van Megert was preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Mary (Shell) Megert; as well as his beloved younger sister, Bonita (Bonnie) Belle. He is survived by his three nieces, Deborah D'Amico, Candace Doner and Amber Rose Beierle, all from Salem, OR; as well as his cherished confidant and companion, Vicki Stewart, his Utukulu Campmates at the Bohemian Grove, and an international cadre of collectors and colleagues. Van Megert left behind his gratitude for Hospice of the Central Coast, his Lead Medical Health Provider Remy Diamsay Lynch and personal caregivers under the direction of Jing Fajardo, who worked together to make his final year "comfortable, safe and filled with friendship and joy."

A celebration of Van Megert's life and of the coastal community he called home will endure through the legacy of his fine-art paintings, through which he conveyed his deep appreciation for both. The CAA has created a special archival collection to preserve Van Megert's paintings, all of which are available for acquisition.

Donations in honor and memory of Jerry Van Megert can be made to the Carmel Art Association via P.O. Box 2271, Carmel-by-the-Sea, 93921 or by calling (831) 250-3347. Email is the most efficient way to place the following listings and ads.

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After trees are illegally cut down, planning commission OKs restoration

By CHRIS COUNTS

TO REMEDY a tree project gone awry, the Monterey County Planning Commission voted 9-1 Wednesday to approve a landscape restoration plan at 3196 17 Mile Drive — where a now-deceased arborist allegedly did illegal tree removal work.

In 2017, the planning commission approved a plan by David Windreich to demolish and rebuild a single-family home, remove one dead Monterey Pine tree, perform restoration work, and expand an existing conservation and scenic easement to include an additional 3,201 squarefeet of native Monterey Cypress habitat.

No permits issued

But during construction in 2019, 22 trees — including 14 Monterey cypress and eight Monterey pines - were damaged and removed by an arborist who was hired by the property owner, according to attorney Tony Lombardo. Permits were never obtained for the tree-removal work, as was confirmed during the hearing.

"This forester was a bad actor," Lombardo said. "We turned her in to the county some years before this for similar behavior and asked county to remove her from the approved list of recommended arborists," which he said never happened.

Lombardo said his client reached out to the county to "self-report" the illegal tree removal.

Planning commissioner Amy Roberts, meanwhile, expressed her disgust over the illegal tree work.

"On a gut level, this makes me ill in every way," Roberts said.

What's in the plan?

To make good for the loss of the 22 trees, the applicant will be required to replant 14 cypress trees within the property's conservation and scenic easement, restore the cypress habitat understory, plant eight Monterey pines off-site or pay an in-lieu fee and restore 12,300 squarefeet of cypress habitat understory off-site.

Planning commissioner Francisco Mendoza made the motion to approve the restoration plan, and he complimented Windreich for "doing the right thing" by alerting the county to the problem. Planning commissioner Paul Getzelman seconded the motion. Roberts was the only commissioner to vote against the plan.



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Forrest McPadden Eggleston

Forrest McPadden Eggleston was born on July 30, 1982, in his greatgrandmother Vivian Fore's home in Carmel. It was clear from an early age that Forrest embodied the bohemian spirit of Carmel's early artists, musicians, and philosophers. A soul adventurer, Forrest was on a permanent quest to live life to the fullest. He loved exploring nature, especially the Big Sur backcountry. He climbed both Pico Blanco and Junipero Serra peaks, among many others. He was a natural and fearless climber of trees from his youth onwards, once climbing a 300-foot redwood. He often spontaneously would dive and swim in the ocean.

Forrest was a visionary artist. He was a prolific painter, a skilled screen printer, and a genius with an air brush — though his art was not contained by any particular medium. His flowing creativity was naturally beautiful in art and in life.

Forrest was a trailblazing, ripping skateboarder. Riding his dirt board, he would charge down the steep streets of Carmel and bust out technical tricks with ease. Carving wild paths down mountain sides, he would casually glide over the gnarliest terrain, gracefully hanging on where most others would fall. Every aspect of his skateboarding had legendary style.

Conversating with Forrest was always a joy. He was always happy to see you, taking a keen interest in what one had to say. His kindness and friendly way with language made people feel happy, and glad to share stories and philosophical musings. Forrest had his own unique vernacular filled with "Forrestisms" that have long been used fondly by family and friends.

To know Forrest is to love him. Even those who only briefly met him felt a uniquely strong connection. Forrest was a legend and an inspiration, a renegade rebel mountain-jumping mystic who impressed all he met with his one-of-a-kind way of being. All throughout his sojourn on Earth, Forrest radiated joy. He made countless friendships, was kind to friend and stranger alike, and generously shared his love and light with anyone, including birds and animals, trees and flowers, rivers, mountains, and meadows. And now, Forrest, as you travel on your soul journey, know that we love you always and are thankful for you sharing your life with US.

Forrest Raspberry Sage Dolphin Tree Tom Bombadil McPadden Eggleston passed over into Spiritland on Monday, May 13, 2024, at the age of 41. He will be remembered as quick to smile and laugh, a true original, and an exceptionally kind soul.

Forrest is, and is survived by his mother, Maura McPadden; father, Herb Eggleston III; grandmother, Dana Eggleston; cousins, Rushad Eggleston, Zubin Eggleston (Cameron), Zarosh Eggleston (Brooke), Vivian Gaddis, Emily Gaddis, Wilson McPadden and Alyssa Creel; aunts and uncles, Robert Eggleston, Nazneen MacDougall, Amy and Byron Gaddis, and Mike and Susan McPadden.

A celebration of Forrest's life will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. Friday, July 26, at Hacienda Hay and Feed in Carmel Valley.

Donations can be made in Forrest's name





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approved the city's housing element earlier this year that aims to facilitate 349 new residential units over an eightyear period.

At a planning commission workshop last November, Swanson said the city might be able to exercise more control over accessory units — which state law compels counties and cities to approve without too much red tape as long as they meet basic requirements and the property has adequate water — because all of Carmel falls within the coastal zone.

According to the city's local coastal program, which was approved by the coastal commission in 2004, "The

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JO-ANN MARGARET HATCH July 22, 1937 - June 19, 2024

Carmel Valley

Jo-Ann was born in Chicago and grew up in Elmwood Park, IL. Parents John and Helen Meerse and sister Patricia Baron predeceased her. Jo-Ann graduated from Proviso High School and Elmhurst College in Illinois. She holds a degree in elementary education with an emphasis in music for elementary students. Jo, as she was affectionately known, is an advocate for students who enjoy all music and seek an understanding of the orchestralsymphonic form.

Jo taught second and third grades in Park Ridge, IL, after graduating from Elmhurst in 1959. In 1963 she moved to Monterey, CA and taught at Monte Vista School where she developed an all-school chorus. She was lovingly known as "The Fierce Miss Meerse" by some of her more creative students.

Jo met Russell Hatch in 1966 and they were married in July 1967. She paused her teaching career to start a family and they had two children, Ross in 1969 and Meredith in 1970. In 1971 they settled in a new home in Hidden Hills, Carmel Valley where they lived for the next 53 years.

Jo was a member and president of the Monterey Choral Society and soloed under the direction of Maestro Haymo Tauber. She was also a member of the Monterey Choraleers and sang in church choirs. Jo went back to teaching in 1980 and taught several elementary grades at Chualar School until her retirement in 1992. She served on the Monterey County Grand Jury in 1994 and 1995 as secretary. Jo served for 15 years as a board member of the Monterey Symphony and as a member of the music committee. She served as a volunteer for the Carmel Bach Festival starting in the early 1970s and became an avid supporter. She supports the Youth Orchestra Salinas (YOSAL) program.

Her latest and most fervent project is Youth Music Monterey County (YMMC). She has served on the board and as a supporter for several years. Jo is a member of the Monterey Old Capitol Lions Club and supports the Blind & Visually Impaired Center of Monterey County. She is past president of Old Capitol Lions. incorporated limits of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea shall be designated a special community and a highly scenic area," as defined by the Coastal Act.

"New development shall protect this special community and its unique characteristics," the coastal plan says.

City officials believe that protection should give Carmel planners more say over accessory units than what those in other communities have. According to a state housing department handbook, the 15 laws adopted in the past six years affecting and protecting ADUs "do not necessarily alter or lessen the effect of application of Coastal Act resource protection policies."

Eye to eye?

But will the housing department and the coastal commission see eye to eye enough to let the city impose more restrictions on granny units, including setbacks, heights and square footage?

The November 2023 draft of the ordinance called for counting the square footage of an accessory unit in the total above-ground floor area allowed on a standard lot. That 1,800-square-foot maximum is codified in the city's



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Some point to this new granny unit at Monte Verde and 13th as an example of the consequences of too much state overreach.

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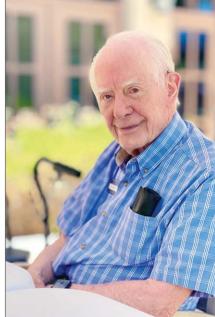
Jim Price passed away on Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at the age of 91, of complications related to Parkinson's Disease. Born on Sept. 24, 1932, Jim was a lifelong California resident who graduated from Stanford University ('54) and the Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley ('58).

Jim was always fascinated by politics. By the mid-1960s, he had a job as the assistant to the mayor

of Oakland. In 1970 he became the Western Regional Director of HUD, a position he held until after the birth of his second daughter, when he launched his own housing development business so he could work from home and enjoy his family.

For years, as his daughters grew up, Jim had a dream of retiring to Carmel. This dream was finally realized when he and his wife, Jane Lord Price, purchased a storybook cottage on Vizcaino Avenue in 1997. For the next 15 years he and Jane split their time between Carmel and the East Bay, making the drive back and forth with their pug dog, Tasha. Devoted fans of the arts, they made it their mission to support theater companies in Carmel: both Jim and Jane served on the board of the Forest Theater Guild, before Jim became founding chairman of the Sunset Center Board of Directors in 2003. He was immensely proud of how the board was able to expand programming at the Sunset Center, and he was honored to serve on the board for eight years, rarely missing a meeting.

When Jane was diagnosed with cancer in late 2011, they decided to return to living in the East Bay — where she was receiving treatment — full time. Jane passed away in 2013. Since then, Jim enjoyed making occasional trips back to Carmel to visit his



Jim enjoyed making occasional trips back to Carmel to visit his favorite restaurants (The Cottage was a mainstay on that list!) and reconnect with close friends from his time as a resident.

Jim is survived by his brother, Chuck; his two daughters, Lisa Price-Sims and Kristin Price-Wilson; their husbands, Michael Sims and Greg Wilson; and his grandson, Alec. Jim was a supporter of multiple Parkinson's research organizations, along with many community support organizations such as food banks. Donating to the medical research organization or food bank of your choice would be a perfect way to honor his memory.

KIMBERLEE KATHERINE KRUEGER July 11, 1964 & June 11, 2024

A beautiful butterfly flew out of my life too soon. I was so blessed to be her mother. She was my wonderful daughter, a best friend and she has a large part of my heart. She had a lot of magic in her laughter and a smile



Jo-Ann is survived by her husband of 57 years, Russell Hatch; son, Ross Hatch of Salinas; and daughter, Meredith Palmer (Kevin) of Hamilton, New Zealand; grandsons, Logan and Travis Palmer, and extended family in California, Texas, Ohio, Virginia and Illinois.

She loved camping throughout the United States, traveling to Europe, and most especially to New Zealand.

Gusty Jo, we are retiring your email handle with love.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests supporting YMMC, 546 Hartnell St., Monterey, CA 93940, youthmusicmonterey.org Or any of the organizations above that she loves.

The family will be celebrating her life at a later date.

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that lit up a room. Good-bye, my Sunshine Love, Mom

Kimberlee Katherine Krueger, aged 59, passed away peacefully on June 11, 2024, at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula. She was born on July 11, 1964, in Santa Monica to Joseph and Kay Krueger. She grew up in Occidental and San Rafael and was a 1982 graduate of San Rafael High School. After high school she attended the prestigious Vidal Sassoon cosmetology school in Los Angeles.

Kimberlee was respected and well loved by her clients, family and close friends in the community. She owned and operated her own salon in Sacramento prior to the family relocation to Pacific Grove, where she continued her hair styling career. She not only made people happy with her styling expertise, but she also nurtured their souls as well. She touched the lives of many in a loving and positive manner.

She leaves two sons, Kai and Adam; her life partner, Kevin and his two children, Anastaja and Justin; along with two grandchildren, Holden and Rowan; her sisters, Katey and Kendice and niece, Austyn; nephew, Carsen; and her parents, Kay (Mick) and Joseph (Virginia).

Her ashes will be spread under a stand of redwoods, like those she loved in Occidental where she played as a child.

A celebration of life will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 29, at the Wellspring Church, 141 14th St., Pacific Grove.

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code, but the 90-plus units approved so far have been exempt from that limit for up to 800 square feet — or 1,000 square feet for a two-bedroom unit. State law allows every lot to include up to two extra units.

Some planning commissioners subsequently suggested making a smaller square-footage overage OK so additional housing can be constructed on lots that have already maxed out.

Not saying much

This week, Swanson kept his cards close to his chest while discussing the status of the accessory unit ordinance, which would also seek to establish objective design standards for window sizes, siding materials, roof lines and other basics, as well as heights and setbacks, that would be applied to all such units.

He did not want to say whether its potential provisions might have impacted "the worst" and the "second worst" accessory dwellings built in Carmel so far, but he said the planning department is seeing what it can learn from those projects.

Speaking generally, objective design standards would make sure "we have a way to control that an ADU doesn't look totally different from the rest of the neighborhood," and would limit its overall size and its placement on a property so it's not too close to the street.

"Those are the things we are pushing on HCD that we feel we have control over," he said. When state legislators were considering laws to further the construction of granny units, "those were the three things the state really tried to get the cities out of the way on."

While the draft ordinance hasn't been the subject of a public meeting since its debut more than six months ago, city staff has been seeking feedback from the two state agencies that will have to sign off on it before it exercises an iota of control over what people can build on their properties where such units are concerned.

Swanson said he's hoping coastal commission staff next month will confirm that the city's designation as "a special community and a highly scenic area" gives it more traction when facing off with the state housing and community development department on the issue.

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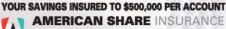


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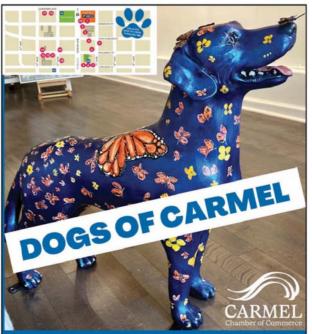




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leaving no trace," John Hiles of California State Parks told

Complex Fire of 2008 — only to be badly damaged again

by the Dolan Fire in 2020 and the mudslides that followed.

state parks didn't say how much the work cost, along with

the efforts of a state parks trail crew, which had help from

the California Conservation Corps.

Hiles noted that the trail was repaired after the Basin

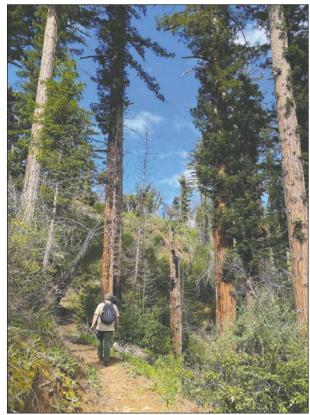
The reopening was made possible by taxpayers, though

Sidelined by two wildfires, Big Sur hiking route between cove and park reopens

By CHRIS COUNTS

CLOSED FOUR years ago due to damage sustained in the Dolan Fire, a hiking route that leads from Partington Cove to Julia Pfeiffer Burns State Park has been reopened.

The route, which utilizes three trails, starts on the Tanbark Trail, which begins east of where Highway 1 meets Partington Creek. From there, the trail winds its way up Partington Canyon through dense groves of redwoods for about 3 miles before reaching the Tin House Fire Road. The nearby Tin House, which was constructed from two gas stations, is a worthy destination for sweeping views of



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the coastline and a picnic.

From the Tin House Fire Road, the route goes south for about a mile before reaching the Ewoldsen Trail. That leads hikers down to the state park, which is famous for its views of McWay Falls spilling into the ocean.

Sturdy shoes

While the route is scenic, it's also steep and the vegetation can be dense, so hikers must be prepared for a workout. Sturdy shoes will help save ankles. "Prepare by



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Hotel taxes continue to improve

June 28, 2024

By MARY SCHLEY

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CARMEL HAD more hotel guests in March and April this year compared to a year ago, while rooms during that time were significantly more expensive than they were in 2023, according to reports provided by finance analyst Anna Aubuchon.

In March and April of 2023, lodging in the city was 60.42 percent full, compared with 63.63 percent during those months this year, marking a 5.3 percent increase. But with the final two months of this fiscal year, which ends June 30, yet to be reported, average occupancy for the year is still down 1.1 percent, due to declines last summer and fall.

Average daily room rates have been steadily increasing throughout the 2023-2024 fiscal year. Last July and August, they were up 1.31 percent, to \$414.99 for that time of year. In March and April, the

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"I'm not an architect," he said. "I think it's my 11th-grade drafting class that came into play."

He said the studio will fit in with the property and the other building, and that it will provide "not only a service to artists in the community, but also much-needed cash revenue for the foundation."

The studio is designed to be dividable into two spaces via a central barn door, he added.

After some discussion, board member Erik Dyar said he supports the project and that having more studio space for local artists would be wonderful, and he made the motion to find the project in compliance with the federal standards. The rest of the board agreed.

Because the studio is not increasing the

average nightly rate for rooms in town was \$323.70 — an 8.59 percent increase over the average rate charged during that period in 2023. So far, the average rate for the year is up 4.28 percent.

The most dramatic changes have occurred in hotel tax receipts, which were down 3.89 percent in July and August of last year compared to 2022, but March and April came in 31.43 percent higher, at \$1,256,345, than those months last year, when \$955,869 was added to the city's general fund.

Fiscal year-to-date transient occupancy tax receipts were \$6,795,037 as of the end of April — indicating hotels' gross revenues totaled \$67,950,370 during the same period. The TOT receipts represent 92 percent of the \$6,801,007 anticipated in this year's budget, suggesting the fiscal year will close stronger than expected where hotel taxes are concerned.

total square footage on the site by more than 10 percent, it's considered a track-one application that can be approved by planning staff without going to another board for review, Wallace said. If someone has reason to challenge it, an appeal can be filed to demand a hearing before the planning commission.

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of metal, parchment, felt, linen, silk, natural foliage, thinly sliced vegetable matter, shells and sea life," along with 180 colors of stained glass.

This year's Carmel Bach Festival starts July 13 when Bach's St. John Passion will be performed at Sunset Center. The festival continues through July 27, with performances in Carmel and Monterey. For a complete schedule, visit bachfestival.org.

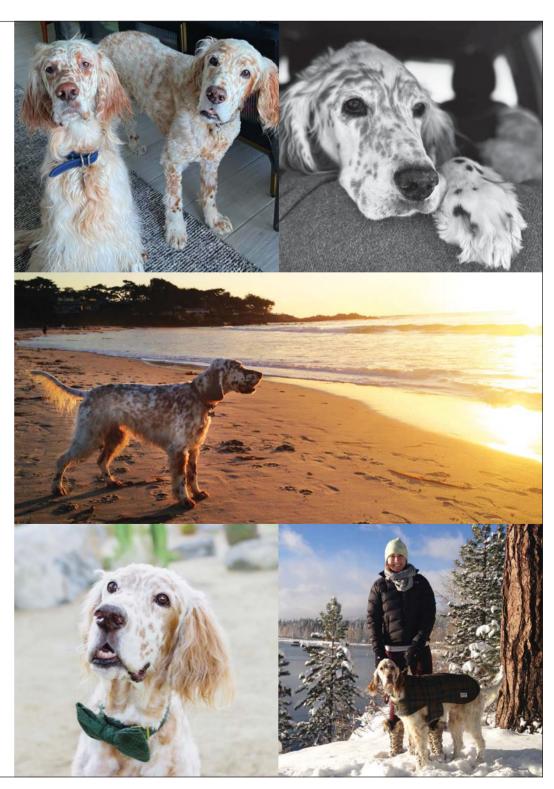
GARWOOD BURGHARDT

October 20, 2011 – June 10, 2024

Garwood, our "Sweet Ginger," peacefully passed away on June 10 in the arms of his parents with his younger brother by his side.

Garwood came to Carmel-by-the-Sea when he was 10-weeks old, and quickly became quite the pup around town. His parents had an office in downtown and his early years were full of walks around the village and runs on Carmel Beach.

While Garwood enjoyed a romp on Carmel Beach, he loved nothing more than strolling through the village, stopping for cookies at the real estate offices and his two favorite cookie destinations — Chase Bank and Carmel Coffee House. He frequented Cypress Inn to enjoy "yappy hour" with his parents and also loved meeting visitors and locals in town and was always happy to pose for a photo



Garwood's life was a grand adventure! He moved around with his parents and traveled up and down the west. He spent time as a powder hound in Lake Tahoe, was a desert dog in Palm Springs, and even had a short stint in Arizona. But Garwood was always happiest living on the Monterey Peninsula and was delighted to enjoy his golden years back home.

English Setters are known to be friendly, mellow, and merry. Garwood was all that, but he was also loyal, loving, gentle, and kind. A true gentlemen. Garwood brought joy to anyone who met him and will be missed beyond words.

Run free Sweet Ginger...we hope you are enjoying all the croissants and string cheese you want and finally can catch that squirrel. Thank you for being our best friend... we love you so much!

Included with the log was a series of photos showing little black-and-white

RuffRaff getting dressed for the shift,

working dispatch, reviewing a city council meeting, enjoying coffee, riding in a patrol

car and waiting for emergency calls.

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CPD's night with RuffRaff the dog

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

 A FTER CARMEL Police were asked to help with a lost stuffed animal in Devendorf Park on a recent Sunday night and found him in the bushes, officers took their furry find along on the night shift before sending him back to his 4-year-old owner.

RuffRaff the dog was lost in the park during a game of hide and seek between Isla, who'd been given the stuffed animal the day she was born, and her 6-year-old brother, Benny, according to Carmel P.D.

"After an officer crawled around and climbed through the trees to imagine the worldview of a 6-year-old playing hide and seek, RuffRaff was located hidden in some dense foliage," CPD's June 9 "night watch log" says. "Isla, her brother and her parents were notified that he was safe but was going to spend the rest of the shift working with us before he gets mailed home."

GRASSFIRE From page 1A

but there was a car that was completely burned just off the roadside into the grass," she said. "We can only assume that that could be the cause, but the investigation is not up to us."

No one was in the car when they found it.

Cal Fire Battalion Chief Curtis Rhodes confirmed the state agency investigated the fire and concluded it was "caused by a vehicle crashing off the road." He didn't have further information on why the driver didn't report the crash and fire at the time and wasn't at the scene when firefighters arrived, though he pointed out that the area lacks cell service.



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Cooler nighttime temperatures, practically no wind and a well-coordinated response kept this grassfire to 5 acres.



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Jim Ferguson has been having a ball in the swimming pool for 61 years

AT AGE 75, 6-foot-3 and 195 pounds, Jim Ferguson's physique is identical to the one he had in Munich for the 1972 Olympics, where he captained Team USA to win its first hardware in 40 years in men's water polo.

That bronze medal — which really should have been

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

gold — is the jewel of what the mouth-of-the-valley resident calls "my vanity case," a glass enclosure crowded with remarkable memorabilia from an elite and ongoing career

Earlier this month, Ferguson captained and coached Team USA's 70-and-older team to a gold medal in the



Gold medalist Jim Ferguson and his wife, Jody, celebrate winning the 2023 World Masters Championship in the 70-plus age category in Kyushu, Japan.

USA Water Polo National Masters Championships at Mount San Antonio College in Walnut.

That was the same group of guys who were injury-riddled in February, when they settled for silver at the 2024 World Championships in Doha, Qatar.

"I had a groin pull, one of our guys was recovering from an appendectomy, another had a broken rib, and two more were sick. I had three subs in the starting lineup, and we still got second place," said Ferguson, whose team won the 2023 World Championships in Kyushu, Japan.

"The injuries and illnesses aren't likely to happen to us again next year," he said. "We'll win the gold medal in 2025."

An overflowing trophy case

His recent medals are trinkets compared to some of the other honors and accomplishments in Ferguson's incredible career.

At Awalt High in Mountain View, he was

a three-time MVP. In his senior year (1967), the American Swim Coaches Association voted him National High School Player of the Year.

As a full-scholarship athlete at UCLA, he was a three-time All-American. He led the Bruins to an NCAA championship during their undefeated 1969 season and second-place national finishes is 1968 and 1970.

Ferguson was a member of Team USA five consecutive years (1972-1976), and in 1973 he was named to the All-World Team after playing in the World Aquatics Championships in Yugoslavia.

■ In 1992, he was inducted into the International Water Polo Hall of Fame.

■ In 2007, he was voted into UCLA's Athletic Hall of Fame.

■ In 2015 he was selected to the Pac-12 Conference All-Century Team.

A serendipitous move

Ferguson and his brother, Bill, were born in Kokomo, Ind., and were small children when their parents, George and Mildred, moved the family to the San Francisco Bay area.

"Mom and Dad loved swimming and joined a club in Sunnyvale with an L-shaped pool for kids. We could play in the shallow end, swim in the deeper water and dive in



URTESY JIM FERGUSON

Attacker Jim Ferguson takes a shot during the 2024 World Masters Championships in Doha, Qatar, where Team USA won a silver medal.

> the diving well. Everybody had a great time," he remembered. "Then, somebody started a swim team, so we were 5 or 6 years old when we started competing."

> Big brother Bill, a year older, talked his sibling into trying water polo when Jim was 14 and entering his freshman year at Awalt High. He picked up the game easily.

> "I could swim fast, I could throw a ball really well, and I figured out pretty quickly that water polo tactics were a lot like basketball, so I did pretty well right away," he said.

The Awalt High legacy

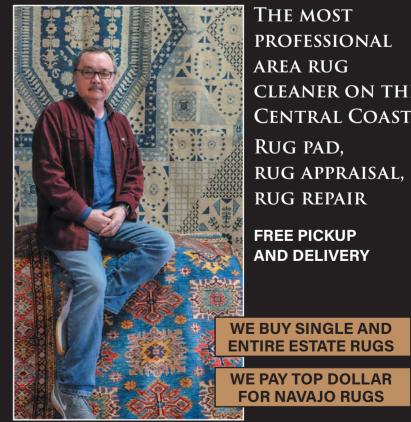
At Awalt, he was the leading scorer on the freshman team, then moved up as a sophomore to a varsity squad that was in the midst of an epic winning streak.

"By the time I was a senior, Awalt hadn't lost a varsity game in five years," Ferguson said. "We lost a regular-season game to Santa Clara in my final year but won the Central Coast Section and Northern California championships."

The star swimmer at Santa Clara High — and Ferguson's longtime rival in swimming and water polo - was a kid named Mark Spitz, who won seven gold medals and set four world records in eight days at the '72 Olympics in Munich — the same Olympics where Ferguson won his bronze.

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"In swimming, Mark was always on the first starting block, and I was usually on the second or third block,' he remembered. "In water polo - my sport - I could react quicker than Mark, get in front of him, then keep him behind me. Whenever I scored on Mark, I'd always turn and look at him, and he'd get so pissed."



Team USA water polo members receive their bronze medals at the 1972 Olympics in Munich, Germany.

During the summer before his senior year, Ferguson's club coach took him to Europe with 14 college players for a six-week summer camp, where they trained and competed against athletes from Russia, Yugoslavia, Hungary, Spain, Germany and England.

"I was the only high school kid on that trip, and that coach, Art Lambert, was great at teaching fundamentals, so I really elevated my profile," he said. "I was very ready for my senior year of high school."

All-America at UCLA

After leading Awalt to the NorCal title, Ferguson accepted a full scholarship to UCLA, where he became one of that university's all-time greats.

Lambert became head coach of the U.S. Olympic Team at the '68 Mexico City games, and was an assistant for that '72 Munich squad captained by Ferguson.

At the '72 Olympics, the Americans were leading the USSR 6-4, with two minutes left in the game that

Seaside fireworks subject to new curfew

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

As ONE of the few cities left in Monterey County that allow safe-and-sane fireworks, Seaside is imposing a new 10 p.m. curfew on Independence Day this year, and violators will be fined \$1,000. The rule "is geared toward preventing fires, protecting the environment, and reducing stress on military veterans, seniors, pets and other community members," according to city officials.

Residents and others can set off fireworks in the city starting at noon on June 28 but must put them away or get rid of them by 10 p.m. July 4. Nonprofits are allowed to sell sparklers and other "safe" hand-held and groundbased fireworks between June 28 and July 5.

"Each July 4th, thousands of people across the nation, most often children and teens, are injured while using illegal fireworks," the city warned. "Despite the dangers of illegal fireworks, few people understand the associated risks - devastating burns, other injuries, fires, and even death." And any fireworks not approved by the state's fire marshal, especially aerial ones, are always illegal. "They pose an incredible safety danger to the user, bystanders and personal property," Seaside officials said. "Fatal building fires can be caused by illicit fireworks landing on rooftops.' In addition, parking will not be allowed on Gen. Jim Moore Boulevard between Hilby and Coe avenues during the holiday.

ultimately determined the gold medal.

"Back then, a two-goal lead with that amount of time left on the clock was basically a gimme," said Ferguson, an attacker for the U.S. team. "In those days, you could hold the ball for a full minute before you had to take a shot, so we could essentially play keep-away and run out the clock."

But that also was an era when judges and officials from Eastern Bloc countries routinely impacted the competition with shady rulings.

During the final 120 seconds, the United States was whistled for two offensive fouls - after committing none in their previous eight games.

The Russians scored twice - both on penalty shots — and the game ended in a tie.

The complex Olympics points system determined that the USSR won the gold medal, Hungary got the silver, and Team USA took bronze, the first American water polo medal since 1932.

Philosophical differences

But the 1972 Games would forever be remembered for a brutal terrorist attack.

After the medal ceremony, Ferguson and his then-girlfriend took a train to Austria, where they spent the night.

"We came back the next day and saw all of these police and tanks at the Olympic Village,' he said.

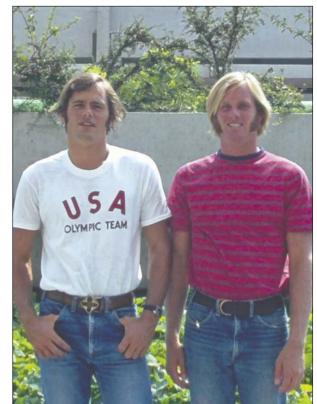
Eight armed Palestinian terrorists had jumped a fence in the dark of night, entered a dormitory, murdered two Israeli athletes, taken nine others hostage and were demanding the release of 234 Palestinian prisoners who were being held in Israeli jails.

West German police attempted a dramatic rescue, killing five of the eight terrorists and capturing the other three. But all nine hostages were killed, a tragedy that was covered in real time by ABC Sports.

Ferguson also made the 1976 U.S. Olympic team coached by Monterey native Pete Cutino (1933-2004) but the Americans failed to qualify.

That was a bitter pill for Ferguson, who felt Cutino, the UC Berkeley coach, was relying too heavily on his own college players while marginalizing experienced Olympians like himself.

"I loved Pete, but disagreed with his philosophy. He told me, 'That's how I coach. I believe less experienced guys who play together all the time will be more successful than a team of all-stars," Ferguson remembered.



PHOTOS/COURTESY JIM FERGUSO

Jim Ferguson, in the white T-shirt, poses with UC Irvine All-American Eric Lindtroth at the Olympic Village in Munich, Germany, in 1972.

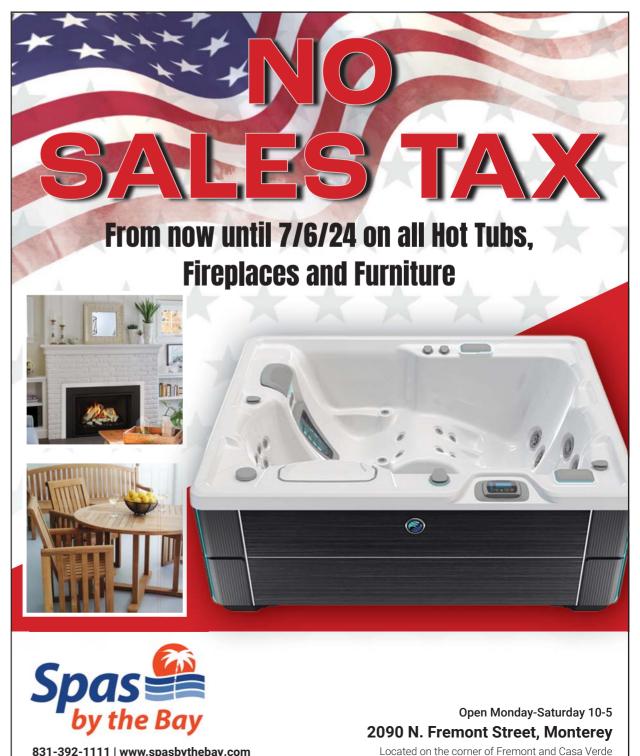
Afterward, he walked away from the sport for 15 years, focusing on a business career in sales and marketing. which included a 30-year stint (1977-2007) as a senior vice president for Superior Industries International.

In 1991, he returned to the game at the masters level, and has played at the national and international level for the past three decades.

He also has volunteered frequently at the club, college, and high school levels, including a stint as Carmel High's assistant girls coach from 2016 to 2021.

Ferguson and his wife, Jody (an artist and hairdresser), celebrated their 41st wedding anniversary on June 5. They have an adult daughter and son.

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Editorial

Paid too much

THE NUMBERS are sobering even without any context.

In California, more than 2 million people work for state and local government, including 517,358 just at the state's 462 cities and 52 counties, where payroll exceeds \$40 billion a year, according to a report released this week by State Controller Malia Cohen. We take a look at some of the Monterey Peninsula's numbers in a story that begins on page 3A.

Time was that a "public servant" was someone who worked long hours for a modest salary, all in the name of, you guessed it, serving the public. But as government bureaucracies have multiplied and grown, so has their power — including the power to pay themselves too much. Is that what's happening in California?

At profit-making businesses, employees are paid based on whether they are helping the businesses succeed, and since the level of overall success is easy to measure — How many people are buying our products and services, and how much are they paying for them? Is the business growing or shrink-ing? — it's not that difficult to figure out how much each employee is worth.

Fair compensation is also something workers and their bosses have a mutual interest in getting right. Employees have a strong desire to be paid as much as possible, while if they're paid too much, they know they run the risk of being laid off. Meanwhile, bosses have strong reasons to compensate employees fairly, because if they pay them too little, they'll lack motivation to do a good job or even quit, while if they're paid too much, the companies' owners risk the future of their businesses. This equilibrium is inherently fair and is the logic that underlies what we call the free market.

In government, however, the equation falls apart. First of all, because the government decides how much to spend on this or that, not for economic reasons, but for political ones. And since they don't sell anything, the people who work for the government have no way to measure their own productivity, and neither do the bosses. Furthermore, since the bosses aren't spending their own money, they have no motivation to get good value for what they spend. It isn't rare to hear a government worker speak of incoming tax revenue as "free money," while you rarely hear anybody mention the idea of making sure citizens are getting good value for the taxes they pay.

The result is that over the last half-century, government workers have seen their pay and benefits rise dramatically — so much so that all kinds of "public service" workers have learned to expect to get much fatter paychecks and cushier retirements than their private-sector counterparts.

A recent study conducted by the Committee to Unleash Prosperity concludes that local and state employees in the United States now receive an average wage (including benefits) of more than \$60 per hour, while in private business, the number is just over \$40 per hour.

"Our economist notes that taxpayers are paying a 40 percent premium to state and local government employees over comparable private employees," the group says. "The data show that taxpayers pay public sector employees 23 percent higher salaries and a whopping 79 percent higher benefits than private employers, and this doesn't even include the value of lifetime tenure (i.e. you can't get fired from a government job no matter how poor your performance)."

Whether it's paying themselves too much or handing out wasteful grants to their favorite special interests, our elected representatives have too much of your money to spend, and it's time they started caring a lot more about how they spend it.

BEST of BATES



"I don't know why he does it for us. We wouldn't do it for him."



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Water for growth **Dear Editor**,

Rudy Fischer's recent letter presents false and confused information. By next year, the Peninsula will have plenty of water for new housing and to build on lots of record or add bathrooms.

Monterey One Water in partnership with the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District has brought us the solution to decades of water restriction. It's ridiculous for Fischer to call the agency that's bringing us water for growth a bunch of "no-growth" folks.

Of course MPWMD is counting all water needed for growth including water for legal lots of record. They just aren't counting it twice like Cal Am does to inflate demand.

was willing to cut the cost by half. But that is not going to happen. In fact, the water Cal Am wants to provide with its desal plant would raise our water bills by 50 to 70 percent, according to the CPUC public advocate's office.

Fischer gets the facts wrong again in blaming the water district for the restrictions on new water hookups. It was Cal Am that asked the CPUC for those restrictions long ago. Now, the water district will be asking the State Water Board and the CPUC to remove those restrictions.

MPWMD and Monterey One have done their job in finding new water, and we'll be seeing the results next year.

Let's hope the CPUC gets it right and doesn't force us to pay for an expensive desal plant we don't need.

Melodie Chrislock, Monterey

Byrne a 'hero' Dear Editor,

Dale Byrne is my hero. In the last few years, he has probably done more for Carmel-by-the-Sea than any other person in our town. While our present council and staff have been overspending and not involving the residents, Dale organized Carmel Cares and involved the citizens in beautifying our streets, parks and the Scenic pathway. He has also attended many meetings and served on many committees, lending his exceptional business expertise

There is no way the Peninsula can use 14,500 acre-feet of water per year by 2050. Maybe we would all go back in time and start using that much water again if Cal Am and experience to all facets of our city government.

Experience means nothing without

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Braille, Italian and a pair of skis

THE PARIS Olympics will start next month, but when those games end, another group of elite athletes will hit the road to the French capital for the Aug. 28 opening of the Paralympics.

The 1960 inaugural Paralympic games in Rome evolved from a 1948 archery competition among disabled World War II veterans in Europe, and in 1976, the first winter games were held. Twelve years later, Carmel Valley resident Carmela Cantisani won the bronze medal in women's downhill skiing in Innsbruck, representing her native Italy.

Two years before that, she took gold

Great Lives

while competing on behalf of the United States at the equally prestigious IPC Alpine Skiing World Championships in Sweden. In fact, Cantisani exhibits an impressive collection of medals from various international competitions in the home she shares with her husband, Gilbert Converset, and her seeing-eye poodle, Seymour.

'Traumatized'

She described how she got here — and onto those snow-covered mountains - in her 2022 memoir, "I Can See the Moon, But Not the Stars." Cantisani was born in 1951 in rural southern Italy, the fourth of five children. The three youngest had retinitis pigmentosa, a progressive hereditary disease that rendered them blind.

'My parents were traumatized," she said, and her mother thought she was cursed. In her memoir, Cantisani described the family farm, with no electricity or running water, where everyone slept on mat-

tresses stuffed with cornhusks. She wrote, "I thought the whole world was like that, and I was happy.'

She said she and the other two youngest siblings still had "just enough functional vision to get around. We had fun." The two oldest had to "pick up slack" on the farm because the mechanized equipment was too dangerous. "That wasn't fair," Cantisani acknowledged, but neighbors were also supportive.

Nurtured

"It was a hardship, but there was so much nurturing from the farm community. I was healthy emotionally until I got to school.'

She was referring to a state-run boarding school for the blind, which was an all-day journey from home via donkey and train. "Now, it's only a couple of hours by car," she said, but back then, she rarely saw her parents. Discipline was strict, and for Cantisani,

who loved the outdoors, the institution was stifling. She slept in a dormitory with 20 or 30 other kids and learned to read and write in braille.

Back to New York

She demonstrated the process using a plain white card and a stencil about the size of an old computer keypunch card. Tiny dots are pressed into the card with a stylus, working backward so that they read left to right when it's flipped over. Not everything has to be spelled out; there are abbreviations for common words. She can write and read in English and Italian.

It sounds cumbersome, but her hands move quickly, making short work of the task. "It was great for brain development," she said. For **By ELAINE HESSER** that reason, she believes using a keyboard should be added to handwriting skills for all students, but not replace them.

She explained that her mother was born in the United States, but, due to a bureaucratic error, was told she had to move back to Italy before Cantisani was born. Her father made the best of it, planning to become a self-sufficient farmer, but in the 1960s, they returned to New York City's suburbs, where they had relatives. The family had to put up a \$2,000 bond for each blind child so that if things didn't work out, they wouldn't become "burdens on society."

Hard work

After learning English which Cantisani said was tough because it is not as phonetic as Italian - and graduating from high school, she contemplated several careers. She said that whatever she

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It was a very bad year, but it led to some very good changes

 \mathbf{A} MID SOME of the darkest days of her life, a Pacific Grove artist who had not painted since her college days stepped through the proverbial looking glass and rediscovered her happiness.

In 2019, all within a few months, Shagufta Khan found herself struggling with a major health crisis, the loss of a good job and the abrupt end of her 25-year marriage. Her firstborn son was grown and gone, and his brother was 16, presumably not long from his own independence.

'The life I had known...'

"The life I had known had completely crashed, and all I could feel was destruction," said Khan, a native of Pakistan who emigrated to the United States in 1992 as a 22-year-old newlywed, enrolled as a premed student (her parents' dream ---not

Carmel's Artists

hers) at the State University of New York and gave birth to the first of her two children two years later.

From that point forward, devotion to motherhood, marriage, education and her career had taken unwavering precedence over all passion for creating art. There simply wasn't enough time in the day, and for the next 27 years, she left her artistic interests in mothballs.

And then, after the life she had known was disrupted, she stepped though the portal that changed everything.

One day, I just sat down and started blindly throwing paint on a canvas," she said. "I painted all night ... then all day ... then all night.

"I was just spilling my energy out. I don't like to say I was spilling all of the hurt and sorrow, but that's what it was,' Khan conceded. "If you look at the early paintings I did during this time, they're dark."

One of the first things she created in



2019 was a painting of a Pakistani bride, eyes closed, head tilted sorrowfully toward the floor.

"It's me," she said. "It represents the end of my marriage."

2,000 pieces of art

But the vast majority of the more than 2,000 pieces she's created since her "rebirth" (Khan's word) have been bright and uplifting.

Her latest work also is abstract, as opposed to the representational realism ---landscapes and still lifes — that she did in her college days at SUNY and later at Columbia University, where she switched from pre-med to engineering and ultimately earned her bachelor's degree in political science, international relations and comparative politics.

In March 2020 — six months after returning to art — a friend encouraged her to show one of her paintings to Kim Moreno at the Pacific Grove Art Center.

"How many pieces to do have?" Moreno asked.

"About 300," Khan said.

By DENNIS TAYLOR

"So, you're painting three or four a day?"

"Well ... I guess I am," said the artist.

A few months later, Khan's natural gift as an abstract painter was validated by a two-month exhibition at the gallery.

'I pour out my emotions'

"I don't draw. My emotions just pour onto the canvas. I'm channeling, channeling, channeling. It's all very spontaneous, and at times I feel as if I'm painting with my eyes closed," she said.

"I have no awareness of time," Khan said. "Sometimes I'll stand for hours without realizing it. It'll be 4 a.m., and I'll think, "Oh my God — I have to go to sleep!"

Khan's diverse career has included a 16-month stint as a quality control specialist at the John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School run by the National Security Agency and six-and-a-half years

> as a senior curriculum and assessment specialist at the Defense Language Institute, the job that brought her to the Monterey Peninsula in 2011.

Coming to Monterey

"The DLI spotted me while I was teaching at one of the conferences I attended for the NSA. They told me they were looking for language and curriculum teachers," said Khan, who was trained in English-Farsi translation.

"I knew nothing about Monterey and didn't intend to move here. I applied because a friend encouraged me," she added.

She was interviewed three times — all online,



Carmela Cantisani is shown with her seeing-eye dog, Seymour, in the Carmel Valley home she shares with her husband.



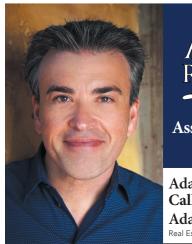
PHOTO/SHAGUFTA KHAN

Pacific Grove artist Shagufta Khan, a native of Pakistan, returned to art after a 27-year hiatus and found cathartic healing in creating abstract paintings during a troublesome time in her life.

each time by a five-person panel — over a one-year period. Then, she received a letter with a job offer.

"I actually turned down

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hard work that the Caltrans crew has done," she warned that the agency faces "constraints that conflict specifically with other laws, regulations and guidelines.' She warned those constraints could have a "significant impact on the ability of the State of California to protect and preserve historic scenic and cultural public works."

Like others, Diehl suggested a legislative fix is needed so exceptions can be made to preserve "cultural and scenic

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resources," including historic bridges. Another Big Sur resident, James Wal-

ters, accused Caltrans of being "misleading, disingenuous, condescending and disrespectful" toward the board of supervisors and Big Sur residents.

A member of the group Keep Big Sur Wild, Christina McGinnis, questioned the need for the project.

"I'd like to point out that the bridges in Big Sur have had no fatalities in the 90 years-plus that they've existed," McGinnis said.

Also speaking out at the hearing were two members of a Mendocino County-based group, Albion Bridge Stewards,

company will shell out for the repairs.

owner, tenant, insurance company and contractor is unusual.

"I made the decision to break from typical protocol and insert the city into this matter, given the importance of the post office to the community and the amount of time it was taking," he said. "Typically, the

city does not get involved in landlord/tenant issues."

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But when people began mistakenly blaming the city for holding up the process when, in fact, the building owner, the Bing Sung Trust, has yet to even apply for a building permit, Swanson decided to get involved.

"This has been a matter between the property owner/manager and their tenant," he said. "The city has not been holding this up.'

Instead, the owner halted any further work until it's known how much insurance money the

"The landlord is waiting for the insurance company to approve the claim money before authorizing the contractor to finish the drawings and submit an application," he said. Laurie confirmed Wednesday that he

still hasn't received an application for a building permit but said the post office was again open for business as of 10 a.m. June 26 — nine weeks, to the day, after the collision.



Nine weeks after "a 4,000-pound wrecking ball," as a city official called it, crashed into the post office, the lobby finally reopened.

formed to lobby for preserving two historic bridges along the Mendocino coast. Now it's concerned about what might happen to historic bridges in other parts of the state.

A member of the group, James Heid, described the existing railings and their flickering views as "absolutely magical pieces of engineering and architecture that would be lost if Caltrans proceeds with the heavy-handed little keyhole alternatives for the proposed railings."

After the public had its say, 5th District Supervisor Mary Adams told her colleagues she was disappointed that Caltrans "was not willing to get out of their box and to try to look at this from a different perspective."

"The bridge rail replacement has to be compliant with the Big Sur Land Use Plan and the Coast Highway Management Plan and at this point, that is not the case," Adams insisted.

Headed to court?

The supervisor also worried the issue could end up in court. "Would we be subjecting ourselves to litigation?" she asked. "It's not outside the realm of possibility.'

Adams reminded everybody that Garrapata Bridge is simply the first of Big Sur's historic bridges Caltrans has slated for new railings. "They're going to take down the railings on every other one of the old bridges," she warned.

District 3 Supervisor Chris Lopez said he was moved by what locals said. "It's a tough balance,"

Lopez said. "We have to listen to the community."

District 1 Supervisor Luis Alejo spoke about the risks to other historic

bridges if a precedent is set. "It's really a bigger issue," he said. "It's going to be important to have this discussion at the state level to see if there are any modifications that can be considered by Caltrans for historical bridges throughout California."

Supervisor Glenn Church, who represents the 2nd District, agreed the solution should come from the state. "I realize all the bridges are going to have to be worked on as well, and probably the only real solution at this point is some legislative action," he said.

Adams made the motion to deny the request by Caltrans to replace the railings on Garrapata Bridge, and it passed 5-0.





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Caltrans wants to replace the railings (top) alongside Garrapata Bridge in Big Sur for safety reasons, but a handful of locals, along with the county's planning commission and board of supervisors, want the new design (above) to look more like the old one.

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them on a personal level."

Stock said the site provides a perfect setting for a play, but you might want to bring a blanket just in case it gets cool after dark. "Get ready to hear live original music, sit outdoors under the stars, all while sipping on Blue Fox Cellars' host of curated wines," she said.

Fresh take offered

Besides offering "a very modern and unique take" on a classic play, the show will be done in a courtyard behind Blue

Fox Cellars. New Canon Theatre Co. previously presented Shakespeare's "Much Ado About Nothing" at the same location. A stage is set in the middle of the courtyard, and it's encircled by 150 seats. "People raved about the space, so we're back," Stock added.

The play continues Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through July 14. All performances start at 7:30 p.m. except those on Sundays, which begin at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$48 for general admission, \$38 for seniors and active military and \$15 for students. The play is recommended for audiences 12 and older. On June 30, a panel talk will follow the show. The tasting room is located at 25 Pilot Road. For tickets or more details, visit newcanontheatre.org.



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\$317,365, the county counsel (Susan Blitch), who made \$310,085, and the district attorney (Jeannine Pacioni), who was paid \$307,883.

The elected members of the countv's board of supervisors earned between \$153,467 and \$188,979.

While Monterey County's average wage of \$89,555 was one of the highest in the state, it's considerably less than in Alameda County, where government workers averaged a \$102,000 salary.

In Pacific Grove, the average employee was paid \$59,682 last year, which was down from \$64,631 in 2022.

The City of Pacific Grove's highest-paid employee was its city manager, at \$373,487, with the police chief listed next at \$213,523. The human resources director was paid \$184,839, while three police sergeants took home between \$175,000 and \$185,000 each.

The report includes data for 462 cities and 52 counties — and payroll details for more than 2 million employees who work for more than 5,000 public agencies.

Five counties and 20 cities failed to file or provided incomplete or late information, the controller's office added.

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action, and Dale Byrne has proven himself to be a perfect candidate for mayor of Carmel-by-the-Sea. Andi Carr, Carmel

Potter 'professional, courteous' **Dear Editor**,

Since he was first elected in 2018, Dave Potter has been incredibly professional, courteous, classy and easily accessible in his position as Carmel's mayor.

As the pandemic challenged our community's resilience, Dave's leadership was pivotal in revitalizing the economy and restoring us to pre-pandemic levels. His strategic vision and decisive actions have not only stabilized the city, they have also set a course for sustainable growth and prosperity.

Dave Potter's experience as a leader through tough times is evident in every decision he has made. His professionalism, transparency and courtesy have fostered a sense of trust and collaboration among residents and stakeholders. Whether communicating challenges or celebrating successes, Dave's approach has consistently been grounded in openness and respect for diverse perspectives.

Under Dave Potter's guidance, the City of Carmel-bythe-Sea has not only rebounded economically but has also strengthened its community fabric. His commitment to inclusive growth and equitable opportunities ensures that no resident is left behind as we move forward together.

I believe it is crucial to acknowledge and support leaders who prioritize the well-being of their constituents. Dave Potter's dedication to the city and his unwavering integrity make him a role model for effective governance.

Tony Salameh, former owner of Anton & Michel

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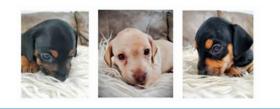
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'Threats, intimidation' **Dear Editor**,

There are serious battles going on in the once-great City of Pacific Grove, and it's time that its citizens become aware of them. Over the past few years, I've watched as a number of vindictive malcontents have unjustly attacked just about every aspect of the city, from its rich cultural history, to its recent past, and it's time to put a stop to it.

With a very broad brush, all citizens past and present have been indicted as unrepentant racists and misogynists without any proof and, as a result of these unproven allegations, the city has caved in, which has led to the cancelling of celebrations and the inclusion of flags and banners that have no place standing with the flag of our national identity.

Mike and Peggy Gibbs have gone out of their way to help our city in so many ways, yet instead of embracing their kindness and expertise, some mean-spirited and well-organized groups of people who I believe have scurrilous intentions for the future of our city are using threats, intimidation and fear mongering in an attempt to control our mayor and city council members in an ongoing attempt to blemish the reputation of these fine people and indeed the City of Pacific Grove itself.

God bless the Gibbs for all the good they are doing for our fine city, and let's hope that more and more of her citizens pay attention to what is going on both inside and outside city chambers!

> Richard K. O'Mara, Pacific Grove

'Not racist or xenophbic' **Dear Editor,**

Pacific Grove is not a racist, homophobic or xenophobic town. It is an open, loving and welcoming community.

The number of residents who spoke at a recent controversial P.G. City Council meeting in support of Mike Gibbs and his emails were by no means bullying or offensive. We need a community that knows what's going on and can feel comfortable criticizing the way that the DEI task force has been conducting itself.

> Vince Tuminello, Pacific Grove

'Division and exclusion' **Dear Editor.**

I attended the last Pacific Grove City Council meeting on June 5. The last item on the agenda was the proposed removal of Mike Gibbs from the economic development committee. Even though this was the last item, I was impressed both with the sincerity and dedication of the city council including our mayor. Also, I must mention the tenacity of members of the public who stuck it out until about 10:30 p.m. All voices were heard and considered. This was not a kangaroo court, although it felt like one for a while. This was a civilized and democratic process at work

At one point in the evening, one council member proclaimed, "the city council is a nonpartisan body." Yes, but in the situation with Gibbs, it was highly partisan.

Have you ever watched C-SPAN as the political

acrimony plays out with people like Stacey Plaskett, Marjorie Greene, Jim Jordan and Hakeem Jeffries? We are but a microcosm of the macro. The conduct in the United States Congress fairly often becomes derailed by politics.

Is the answer more civility? It's not just a matter of Republicans versus Democrats. It's more that identity politics has taken the place of public unity and interest. In my opinion, the DEI movement has created division, exclusion and a sense of tribal entitlement. The issue involving Gibbs was not about an errant email, it was about politics. The vote not to remove Mike Gibbs was 4-3. It could have been 3-4. That's how divided we are.

Carol Marquart, Pacific Grove

'Targeted attacks' **Dear Editor**,

Activist Mike Gibbs claims to feel unsafe in Pacific Grove, yet those calling for his removal from the economic development commission and criticizing his proposal to work with our students came to this reasonable conclusion only after witnessing Gibbs' own frightening behavior patterns.

First, Gibbs endears himself to authority figures who entrust him with intimate access to our institutions. Our mayor allowed Gibbs to privately gatekeep a city boards and commissions information meeting in the council chambers, privileging Gibbs's P.G. Lives activists. Though Gibbs has no children in our schools, PGUSD allowed him administrator-level computer access on a school campus. And The Pine Cone cites Gibbs as its preferred local news source. Gibbs purposely gains overrepresentation in institutions meant to serve us all.

Then, Gibbs abuses this privileged access. Intentionally, Gibbs accessed pornography on the administrator's laptop at P.G. Middle School and on Gibbs' own device at the school district office, which surely could get school employees fired, a parent/guardian banned from their own child's school and even result in criminal charges, but not for Gibbs. Gibbs grooms those in power to treat him above the law.

Lastly, Gibbs gaslights those whose trust he's betrayed, blaming others for his violations and, insufferably, play the victim. He wields this definitively narcissistic behavior against city hall, BCCs, PGUSD and private citizens, particularly women who have the courage to speak up about his nefarious behavior. The Pine Cone has helped Gibbs carry out targeted attacks on proponents of women's and LGBTQIA+ rights, DEI Task Force members, advocates for AAPI justice, an EDC commissioner, and a board member of the P.G. Chamber of Commerce; all women who have dared to alert the city council to Gibbs' violations of the code of conduct. This public discourse does not threaten Gibbs' safety but rather the considerable privileges and sense of entitlement he uses against others.

Please stop condoning and amplifying Mike Gibbs? harmful behavior in this newspaper. And beware his next attack on another citizen who's dared to pull back the curtain on the Great and Powerful Oz of Pacific Grove, because nothing threatens Mike Gibbs more than a woman who talks back.

Heather Zunguze, Pacific Grove





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chose, she "had to do everything 10 times better and be more prepared than anyone else" because she was blind.

Since languages came easily to her, she considered becoming an interpreter and chose the then-Monterey Institute of International Studies to earn her degree and interpreting certificate. When she arrived on the Peninsula, she said, "I took one breath in and said, 'I'm never leaving here."

Her older brother, meanwhile, had graduated from Georgetown University and was hired as an interpreter at the European Common Market in Brussels in 1975. He sat in a booth all day, which Cantisani quickly decided would be too confining. Besides, she said, "I'm opinionated. I can't just translate BS into BS."

So, she went into education. "When I started substitute-teaching, I got my first real taste of discrimination," she said. "At one school, I was met at the door by the principal, who asked, 'How do you expect to do this?" She invited him to come and see.

Attempted escape

She got one young volunteer to take roll and another to read whatever was written on the blackboard aloud. Since the young teacher could make out shapes and some motion, she became aware that one child was tiptoeing toward the door. "As he got close to the door, I spun." Then, she clapped her hands loudly and shouted, "Where are you going?" "Everyone was shocked," she laughed.

She landed in the Defense Language Institute's Italian department in 1982. There, she met Converset, who taught French. She laughed as she said, "We met in the middle, in the Spanish department,"

which had its offices appropriately situated between those of the other two Romance languages.

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She had started skiing during the mid-1970s, when a group of disabled Vietnam veterans put together a national program to teach the sport and contacted community colleges - including Monterey Peninsula College — to recruit participants. "It was 100 percent paid for," with door-to-door transportation provided, she said.

She learned to ski with a guide who would accompany her and call out directions. Races were organized, and she said at her first national event, "I failed miserably."

Going gourmet

But she didn't give up. She insisted that with a well-trained guide, skiing's not any more dangerous for someone who's blind than it is for a sighted person.

Cantisani enjoyed downhill and slalom, but drew the line at ski-jumping. "The timing is hard," requiring split-second precision, whereas with turns on other courses, "there's a little more leeway."

She's helped train guides and said she was grateful to DLI for allowing her to take leave to compete on the world stage. After the fall of the Berlin Wall, most of the European language departments at the school downsized, and Cantisani left in 1992.

In 1996, she used her estimable cooking skills to launch a gourmet salad dressing company. The packaging — labels were partially written in braille — and excellent flavor garnered positive reviews, but the company closed during the financial downturn of 2008. After that, she completed her memoir. Now, Cantisani enjoys spending time with her husband and Seymour.

She said she owes much of her success to her mother. "She was nearly illiterate, but I got a lot of my common sense and drive and resilience to go forward from her," she said.

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The Mayo Clinic's list of cataract symptoms includes clouded, blurred or dim vision, trouble seeing at night, sensitivity to light and glare, need for brighter light for reading, and fading or yellowing of colors.

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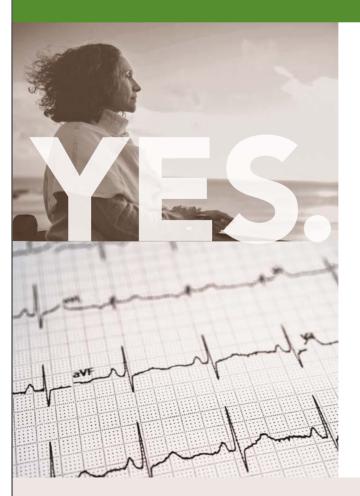
Nowadays the lens isn't simply removed, which that would leave the patient needing Coke-bottle glasses to see anything clearly. Instead, the cloudy lens is replaced with an implanted one, called an intraocular lens, which comes folded up and is then inserted through a tiny incision into the front of the eye. The procedure is almost always needed for both eyes, and they're usually done one at a time, with a couple of weeks (or more) in between.

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Navigating — and thriving in — a world they can't see

By ELAINE HESSER

EVERY WEEK thousands of people visit the Monterey Peninsula, Carmel Valley and Big Sur to enjoy the natural beauty of this area.

It's hard to imagine living amid all of that but not being able to see it — at least, not in the way most people understand "seeing" something. By the nonprofit Blind and Visually Impaired Center of Monterey County's estimate, however, more than 8,000 local residents live with blindness or low vision.

The U.S. government says "legally blind" means that even with corrective lenses, a person's vision is less than 20/200 in their better eye. That means they might be able to make out the large letter E on a standard eye chart, but nothing below it. The term can also refer to a vastly restricted field of vision, sometimes called tunnel vision.

Low vision, which doesn't have an official definition, usually means someone can't read, drive, recognize people's faces, tell colors apart or see a television or computer screen clearly. Again, this is true even if the person is wearing corrective lenses.

Ready to help

The Blind and Visually Impaired Center, headquartered on Laurel Avenue in Pacific Grove, is ready to help. Its mission is "to empower the blind and visually impaired toward independent living through responsive education, support services and skills training."

Support services provided by the nonprofit are extensive and include helping people obtain assistive devices, like talking clocks and watches, as well as large-print

Steve Macias

phones, medicine organizers and

The center's executive director, Steven Macias, noted that smart phones and similar technologies can also help people who have difficulty seeing, but can't yet replace all the specialized devices available.



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Clients at P.G.'s Blind and Visually Impaired Center participating in a ceramics class led by instructor Kaae Kanno.

Siri, Alexa and Google Assistant let people operate their phones even if they can't read the screens.

Moreover, he said, "Specialized apps for smart phones, such as those for navigation (Seeing AI, Be My Eyes), can provide real-time assistance, describing the environment and guiding users through unfamiliar areas or helping them find the correct can of food on a shelf in the store. There are also devices that can detect and read colors and currency, and identify objects aloud. These technologies really provide a level of independence for a visually impaired individual."

He cautioned that phones have some limitations there's no way for someone who can't see to know if the battery is running low, and the complexity of the initial setup might require some assistance, which the nonprofit often provides.

Regardless of which tools someone chooses, Macias said, "Many of our clients require routine visits from our staff to provide software updates, replace batteries, and file warranty claims if a device is improperly working." He added that affordability can be an issue, as well, although financial assistance is available in some cases.

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Out and about

The center offers blind and visually impaired people opportunities for social gatherings and lunches, ceramics classes and support groups, all with no fee, although donations are gratefully received. It also helps people work with the Monterey-Salinas Transit RIDES programs for those who can't use the regular bus system.

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playing cards.

"Many smart devices have accessibility features that read text displayed on screens aloud so the user can navigate them without needing to see the screen," he said, adding that

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Docs take unusual 'vacations'

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON and ELAINE HESSER

FOR MORE than two decades, Monterey surgeon Mark Vierra has dedicated his practice to complex gastrointestinal cases. A graduate of Harvard Medical School, he completed his surgical residence at Stanford and, in 2001, joined Montage Medical Group. Yet, one day in the 1990s, on a sun-drenched afternoon in Huehuetenango, Guatemala — at the end of a charitable medical mission — he saw a small crowd with a very young woman on an improvised stretcher made from a blanket. He surmised she had experienced a birthing gone terribly wrong. It appeared Vierra had one more contribution to make, if he could. At that point, though, all he could manage

was to rush the woman to the hospital. The baby was lost, but the mother survived.

He's been on many missions since then, each one now filling his memory with episodes that ranged from tragic to joyful.

"When I became a physician, I gave myself the task to help people in any way I could," he said.

Meaningful trips

Vierra recalled the night he snuck across the border during wartime in Nicaragua to perform a cesarean delivery by flashlight in a tent. He remembers arriving in

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Monterey surgeon Mark Vierra performs surgery in Guatemala.

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FORAY'S LACINATO KALE SALAD

Courtesy Executive Chef/Owner Michael Chang

FORAY HAS been causing quite a stir in the two years since it opened at San Carlos and Fifth. Not only have residents embraced it, but out-of-town guests rave about in their reviews, with descriptors like "culinary gem," "EPIC," and "dangerously delicious" — and there are a lot of mentions of chef/owner Michael Chang's unwavering use of fresh, local ingredients.

If you've been avoiding kale like it's something everyone insists is good for you, Chang's recipe for the ubiquitous veggie might change your mind. Unsurprisingly, he has some pretty strong and specific opinions about its components, summarized below, but he also suggests substitutions if you can't readily lay your hands on his favorites.

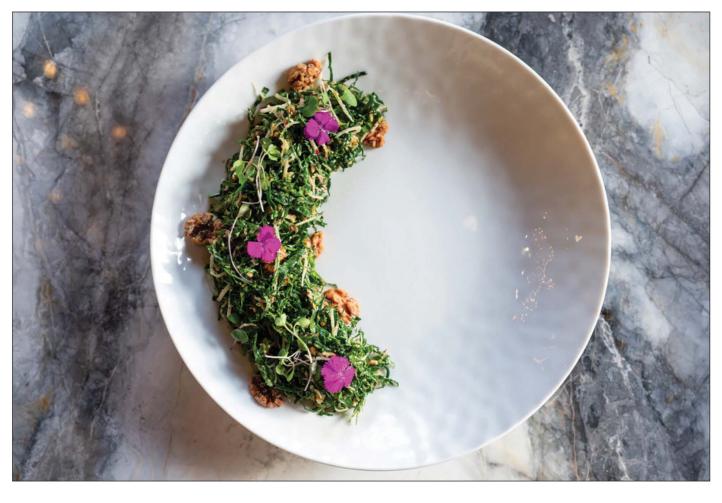
First, the star of the show — lacinato kale, also described as "Tuscan," "black." or, whimsically, "dinosaur" - is a darkgreen, narrow-leaved variety. It's widely available, but Chang's first choice is, "lacinato kale from Borba Farms in Aromas, available at the Friday morning farmers market at Del Monte Shopping Center" in Monterey. However, he said reassuringly, "any lacinato kale will do as long as it's crisp."

For the Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese, he prefers "60-month Bianca Modenese Parmigiano-Reggiano cheeses as they are drier." He continued, "but any real Parmigiano-Reggiano will do - just watch out for any cheeses labeled 'parmesan', as those are not real Parmigiano-Reggiano," and are not aged as long.

The chef likes apples from Watsonville's Prevedelli Farms, seasonably available at the Del Monte Center farmers market (this reporter can confirm that vendor sells exceptional fruit). Big Sur Salt is a local company that harvests sea salt along the coast - the Pico Blanco variety is described on the business' website as "coarse and crunchy."

Chang describes the citrus fruit, yuzu, as "more pungent and botanical" than lemon, and for the olive oil, he recommends Tira Nanza's estate-grown variety from Carmel Valley. This is definitely an occasion for the good stuff, regardless of the brand you choose. Dianthus is a lovely, deep pink edible flower. If you can't locate it, nasturtiums would be pretty, too.

The chef should probably be a teacher — his instructions are exceptionally descriptive, and his explanations of knife cuts are spot-on. Seriously, if you think you don't like kale, give this a try.



INGREDIENTS Serves 4 **Prep time: 1 hour** Mixing and plating: 5 minutes

For the salad:

2 bunches lacinato kale

8 ounces (by weight) Parmigiano-Reggiano

2 crisp apples, preferably Jonagold

1 pound candied walnuts (store-bought, or see recipe below; substitute plain toasted nuts to reduce the sugar) 1/2 cup powdered sugar, or substitute honey

Big Sur Salts' Pico Blanco blend Micro kale and edible dianthus flowers

For the vinaigrette:

1/3 cup yuzu juice, or lemon juice if yuzu is unavailable

1/3 cup avocado oil 1/3 cup extra virgin olive oil

Preheat the oven to 325 degrees. Start by making the candied walnuts. Blanch the whole walnuts in simmering

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water for 3 minutes, strain and transfer to a mixing bowl. Add the powdered sugar in small batches while stirring the still-warm nuts. Place on a baking sheet and bake at 325 degrees, checking every 5 minutes until crunchy, about 20 minutes total. Let cool fully, and then grind half of the walnuts in a food processor until finely ground, or chop with a chef's knife, reserving the other half for garnish.

Destem the kale, wash in ice water and dry fully. Stack several leaves on top of each other, roll tightly and chiffonade as finely as possible with a chef's knife these thin ribbons are key to the texture of the salad.

Remove the rind from the Parmigiano-Reggiano and cut into medium-sized blocks, then pulse in the food processor or use a cheese grater until finely ground. If you're using the food processor, stop before the cheese starts to stick together.

Finely julienne the apples right before assembling the salad to prevent oxidation. The restaurant uses a Japanese mandoline (manual slicer) with the julienne attachment for speed, but you can thinly slice apple segments, stack the slices, and then slice vertically into thin matchsticks.

Combine the dressing ingredients in a squeeze bottle, mason jar or any container with a lid and shake well to fully incorporate.

Put the kale in a large mixing bowl. In small batches, add the cheese, apples, ground candied walnuts, salt and vinaigrette, and mix until incorporated to your liking.

The restaurant serves the salad in a crescent-moon shape on a large circular plate and garnishes with the whole walnuts, micro kale and edible dianthus flowers.

Chef Bio

MICHAEL CHANG is the executive chef and, with his wife, Caroline, owner of Foray restaurant, which opened in 2022 and became an almost instant hit among local diners and visitors alike. Chang recently recounted his path to becoming a restaurateur.

"As a first-generation American, I put a lot of pressure on myself to become a doctor, lawyer or engineer, and I stayed the course all the way to graduate school at the London School of Economics," he said, but he realized his true passion was hosting weekly dinner parties for friends. He enrolled in the French Culinary Institute in New York, and after one week of classes, he knew he'd found his calling. He graduated in 2012 and worked at several top Chef Michael Chana restaurants in Denver. When Chang and his wife secured investments to open their own place — "with plenty of support" from their families - they decided to come here. "The town was an easy choice, given its proximity to world-class produce in the Salinas Valley, fresh seafood from Monterey Bay" and stellar California wines, he explained. The couple started in early 2017 by hosting private dinner parties throughout the Monterey Peninsula. The dinners "highlighted ingredients foraged by us and our network of West Coast foraging friends, the finest local seafood and single origin California wagvu beef." Chang added, "Through these private dinners, Foray has raised over \$500k for local nonprofits including AIM Youth Mental Health and the Naval Postgraduate School Foundation." In 2019, they began renovating their space at San Carlos and Fifth. It had been unoccupied for 15 years. "We only kept the original late 1940s cement floor everything else was completely removed and we started with a blank canvas," he recalled. "While the pandemic slowed construction, we were finally able to open our doors in late 2022!"



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Philip Penrose of Eye M.D. is a Monterey ophthalmologist whose specialties include cataract surgery, and he took some time to talk with Healthy Lifestyles about a few of the types of lenses that are available – and the differences among them.

Penrose made clear from the start that he doesn't think people shouldn't overspend to get the fanciest lenses on the market. "I love all the lenses, including the ones insurance covers," he said. "It's not worth the heartache or stress" to take on a large economic burden.

One close and one far

The lenses covered by most insurance, including Medicare, are "a good option" for many people, Penrose said. However, he explained, "They don't give both dis-tance and near vision," and they don't cor-rect astigmatism, in which the eye is more football-shaped than spherical, making it impossible for light rays to focus properly. That means most people will still need glasses, but many don't mind, he said.

If there is no astigmatism, a patient might choose to have a lens in one eye that corrects near vision and one in the other for distance vision, an approach referred to as monovision. It sounds a bit odd, but it's more common than you might imagine (contact lens wearers often use it), and most people's brains adjust fairly quickly. Doctors might have their patients try out the approach using contacts, to make sure they'll be able to adjust to it.

The next step up is to use one lens that corrects for astigmatism and the other for distance — near or far — so patients can use the monovision approach. Penrose added that there's a third, intermediate, distance, referred to as "computer," and that it's also possible to use monovision for computer and distance sight, and adjust for reading by holding text farther away or using reading glasses. It all depends on the



Dr. Philip Penrose

patient's lifestyle.

A third type of lens has concentric rings with near, computer and far vision so people can use both eyes together to get the greatest range of vision. These are called multifocal, and Penrose said they're almost double the cost of the astigmatism-correcting lenses, possibly costing a few thousand dollars per eye. Some of these lenses also have blue-blocking capability for people who spend a great deal of time looking at screens.

Halo effect

The only drawback is that they cast halos around cars' headlights, streetlights, and so on. Penrose has a simulator on his iPad so patients can see what the effect looks like, and he said he tries to dissuade people who might obsess over it from having them put in, because once lenses are implanted, the only way to change them is

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And that point brings us to the last type of lenses Penrose discussed. Made with a unique material designed by a Nobel Prize-winning scientist in cooperation with several doctors in the San Francisco Bay area, they're called light-adjustable lenses. Unlike the lenses previously described, these can be adjusted after surgery using ultraviolet light.

Penrose said that while about 70 percent of patients achieve their vision goals with fixed lenses, an astounding 98.5 percent of people who use adjustable lenses meet their targets. He called them "a phenomenal technical development." And, as with most significant new technologies, they're a little pricey — about one-and-one-half times the cost of astigmatism-correcting lenses.

The light-adjustable lenses have a lay-

er at the very back that blocks ultraviolet light, so while they're being adjusted (and afterward), patients don't have to worry about UV damage to their eyes.

After they're inserted, there are five visits during a patient might come in and say, "Well, now they're fine for reading, but not driving," or something similar, and UV light is used to make adjustments. During the adjustment period, the patient has to wear UV-blocking glasses to avoid contact with ultraviolet rays.

In the final visit, a procedure is done to "lock" the lenses into their ideal configuration.

Penrose said most people need cataract surgery between the ages of 65 and 85, but that he's performed the procedure on a 102-year-old man. If you're experiencing symptoms of cataracts — or any other vision problems — call your ophthalmologist to find a solution that lets you see the sea, and everything else, more clearly.



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a village within the northern highlands of Guatemala where a physician had, without reprieve, been the only doctor in the rural village for two years, away from his family. Vierra offered to stay and work so the

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Dr. Mark Vierra

man could take some time off and remedy that situation.

> "I typically take my vacations to Latin America for medical missions," Vierra said. "When you go to another country as a tourist, you don't get access to people's lives. Nothing gives us the kind of insight

into their culture we

get as healthcare workers providing care." Vierra also thought back on his experiences driving out into the rainforest in another doctor's truck to perform surgeries.

"It was interesting to experience how this surgeon integrated his efforts into the healthcare system and how much we could do to help others with a really modest infrastructure," he said.

Case in point: When Vierra served as chief resident at Stanford, he helped a student go on a medical mission in Ecuador. She came back with great intentions, he said, wanting to build a mobile operating room.

"I told her this was way too ambitious, that she needed to focus on much more modest, culturally appropriate interventions. She stormed out," he said, but she later changed his mind. "I received an invitation on the letterhead of her new nonprofit foundation, asking if I'd be willing to help. I was a founding director and we did a lot of good work there. Turns out, where there is a will, there actually may be a way."

More recently, Vierra has been trav-

eling to Cambodia to work in a nonprofit hospital established by Jim Gollogly, an orthopedic surgeon trained in Scotland and the United States. (His son, Sorhab, is an orthopedic surgeon who was one of the cofounders of Monterey Spine and Joint.) In 1992, Jim Gollogly took a sabbatical and asked the Red Cross to send him to Africa for six months, but was assigned instead to Phnom Penh. He lost his first two patients, but said neither would have died had they been treated upon arrival by knowledgeable staff. Gollogly remained in Cambodia well after his six-month commitment, establishing a charity to treat land-mine injuries, followed by the Children's Surgical Centre, which he has run for more than 25 years

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"Dr. Gollogly has friendships with colleagues from the finest academic hospitals in the world," said Vierra. "They come in for a week to provide a skill the hospital doesn't have or for which staff needs more training. You're not allowed to show up and not help operate."

Supply issues

Orthopedic surgeon Samera Kasim, who works with Monterey Spine and Joint, also served on

a medical mission in Cambodia, her contributions ranging from orthopedic to plastic surgery.

"I always had a desire to contribute in a place where resources weren't available and to be able to provide expertise," she said. "In most underdeveloped countries, medical practices are quite

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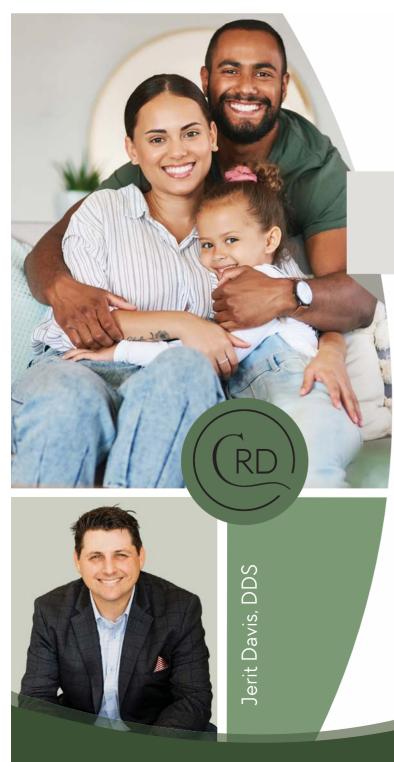
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ditions she encountered, she added, "Early in my own practice, I didn't feel I had enough experience to troubleshoot different situations, to figure out how to accomplish a task with a plastic fork and knife. But after being in practice eight years, I felt I was ready to offer that."

Kasim knew she needed to bring scrubs, but quickly realized she also should have brought masks and better tools and supplies. Anything she wanted sent in would have been held up in customs and government tariffs. Most helpful, she said, were other surgeons more experienced with medical missions.

"The waiting room at the hospital was an open galley area where patients crowded in, hoping to be next in line," she said. "We took care of

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already been exposed to the local microbiome), the infection rate was not high, so doctors did not use many antibiotics. That meant a better immune response to infections that did occur, since the bacteria weren't resistant to the medicines.

She said, "My first thought was that the mission itself was an incredible adventure. Instead of my scheduled surgeries at home, whatever need showed up at the door was what I had to take care of. My last thought, when I got home, was how fortunate we are in this country, and that we sometimes lose sight of that. Or maybe it takes traveling to a place like Cambodia to understand."

But physicians don't need to travel to other countries to make a difference. Dr. Curtis Jansen's Monterey dentistry office buzzed with activity on April 26, and there wasn't a paying customer in the house. Jansen is a prosthodontist — an expert in restoring and replacing teeth - and he and a handful of colleagues, along with some students, had come from places throughout the West to help 12 local veterans find their smiles.

Help at home

Dr. Amerian Sones, a Pacific Grove native who is the president and veterans service lead organizer of the Pacific Coast Society for Prosthodontics, put the event together with the help of Dentistry4Vets.

Sones, who practices in Texas, said that the society's annual meeting was in Monterey June 19-22, and that it usually performed some charitable work in whatever city was hosting the conference. The April visit was the culmination of work the volunteers began in January.

Dentistry4Vets, a local nonprofit founded by Carmel resident Dr. George Yellich, who has an oral surgery office in Monterey, provides low- or no-cost dental work to veterans in need. The group recruited the patients who received care and verified their service, and Yellich also participated in their treatment, Sones said.

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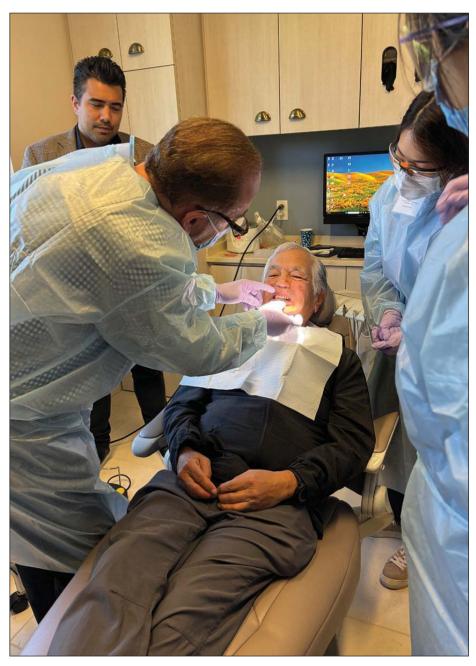
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Kona Jerry's Catering, a local veteran-owned business, fed everyone, serving smoked chicken salad and mango bread. It added to the festive feeling as veterans smiled with confidence - most, if not all, for the first time in years. Some were accompanied by family members who seemed at least as happy with the results as the patients.

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Another service offered to clients is field trips. Macias listed a number of upcoming outings and explained how the center's clients will experience them. The Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History "offers touch tables that allow visitors to handle fossils, shells, and taxidermy animals, allowing visually impaired visitors the opportunity to explore textures and shapes," he said. An upcoming tour "will be led by a volunteer who has been trained in guiding and describing the exhibits, layouts and historical context.

Additionally, the Blind and Visually Impaired Center has provided braille assistance to the museum, including a tactile layout of the exhibits."

Movie theaters like the Lighthouse Cinemas in P.G. — where the center will also take people — "often provide audio descriptive devices for movies, with a separate audio track that provides descriptions of the visual elements, such as actions, scenes and expressions." They use headsets, so the person can enjoy the movie without distracting others. The group also plans to visit the National Steinbeck Center in Salinas and Odonata Winery on River Road in the Salinas Valley.

Starting this fall, folks in Salinas will have access to the center's services through a low-vision clinic, an assistive technology room and three orientation and mobility specialists to help with "safe and purposeful movement, along with cane training," all based in the Alliance on Aging's Oldtown location.

Broadened services

Said Macias, "We also launched a support group in Soledad, allowing residents of Gonzales, Soledad, Greenfield and King City a location close to home for peer interactions. All our support groups are peerled and regularly feature guest speakers from other organizations throughout the state that provide services to the visually impaired."

These efforts continue a partnership with the Alliance on Aging that began in 2021. Since then, the center's demographics have shifted — 75 percent of the clients are 55 or older — much younger, overall — and more than 60 percent come from Salinas. The center anticipates seeing 150 to 200 more clients each year, too.

Of course, all of this help comes at a cost, and to help defray that, there's a fall



Clients of the Blind and Visually Impaired Center marked White Cane Day last November. The outing helped spread awareness of blind customers to nearby P.G. businesses. gala and silent auction on Saturday, Nov. 16, at the Monterey Marriott. It will include a threecourse meal, wine donated by Scheid, and more than 50 silent auction items.

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Live Music, Clubs and Events

Cities celebrate July 4, Money Band kicks off series, singer visits Golden State

FOR THE 35th year, the city of Monterey celebrates Independence Day Thursday with free live music on the lawn in front of city hall. The music starts at 10:45 a.m., and the lineup includes **The Pfeffers**, **Pure Ecstasy**, **The Money Band** and **Neon Velvet**. Also performing will be **Lee Durley**, who will sing the National Anthem.

The event is alcohol-free, but you can bring a picnic lunch. Monterey City Hall is located at Pacific and Madison Streets.

Also on July 4, the **Monterey County Pops** orchestra presents a free concert in Carmel at 2 p.m. in Devendorf Park. Preceding them will be the **Monterey Peninsula Gospel Choir** at 1 p.m.



Neon Velvet (left) headlines the City of Monterey's Independence Day celebration Thursday afternoon at city hall on Pacific Street. The Money Band (right) plays at the same event — and kicks off Carmel Plaza's Summer Live Music series Friday.

Fridays at Carmel Plaza

Carmel Plaza kicks off its annual Summer Live Music series Friday at 5 p.m. with a free performance by **The Money Band**. Besides showcasing one of Monterey

On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

County's best-loved musical acts, the event will feature wine from Scheid Vineyards and beer from Alvarado Street Brewery & Bistro, with food and wine packages available for \$25, of which \$5 will go to Animal Friends Rescue Project and Max's Helping Paws. The series continues through the end of July with shows by **Wild at Heart** (July 5), **The Chicano All-Stars** (July 12), **Scarlet** (July 19) and once again, **The Money Band** (July 26).

The shopping center is at Ocean and Mission.

Sweet & soulful

Carrying the torch for the great r&b singers of the 1960s and 1970s, singer **Allen Stone** takes the stage Saturday, 8 p.m., at the Golden State Theatre in Monterey.

With a sound that draws its inspiration from Stevie Wonder, Marvin Gaye and other great vocalists, Stone caught a break in 2011, when his single, "Unaware," went viral on YouTube. Tickets start at \$27.50. The theater is located at 417 Alvarado St. Call (831) 649-1070 or visit goldenstatetheatre.com.

Jazz at the Cherry

A trio of local jazz musicians plays Sunday, 2 p.m., at the Cherry Center for the Arts.

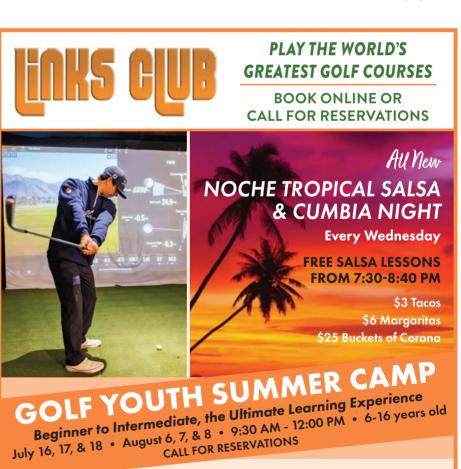
"Local veteran jazz drummer, **Leon Joyce**, will be leading the way with this exciting jazz trio," the center announced. "Joining Leon will be legendary guitarist, **Bruce Forman**, and **Brian Ho**, one of the hottest jazz organ players to come along in a long time."

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GRASING'S GRANDEUR, NEW CARMEL VALLEY EATERY, AND IT'S TEATIME

BOASTING A list that's more than 3,000 wines strong and is as diverse as they come, Grasing's restaurant last week was revealed as a winner of Wine Spectator's coveted Grand Award. The downtown Carmel restaurant is one of four establishments worldwide to receive the honor this year, bringing the global total of those bestowed with

Soup to Nuts

a Grand Award since its inception in 1981 to just 96.

"The Grand Award is presented to restaurants that show uncompromising, passionate devotion to the quality of their wine programs, typically offering at least 1,000 selections and the highest level of service," Wine Spectator said. The other 2024 winners are in San Francisco, Portugal and France.

Owner and founding chef Kurt Grasing said the achievement "is the culmination of a journey that began 27 years ago when we first opened our doors" with a list of six choices.



Wine director Eric Ewers of Grasing's is shown in one of the restaurant's two temperature-controlled cellars, where tens of thousands of bottles are stored. Kurt Grasing's namesake establishment just won Wine Spectator's coveted Grand Award.

"Our aspiration was to expand to 12 or perhaps 16 offerings. Selling three bottles in a single evening meant a trip to Safeway for restocking," he said, but in the years that followed, he and his staff studied, tasted and learned their way through the world of wine, growing their cellar enough to earn Wine Spectator's Award of Excellence and then, in 2005, its Best of Award of Excellence.

Wine Spectator described the Grasing's list, which now includes more than 3,100 selections from 15 countries — and many from Monterey County-as "among the most compelling in the world.'

30,000 bottles

Wine director Eric Ewers, who joined Grasing's in 2020 and told Wine Spectator he used the downtime during Covid to thoroughly review the cellar he'd inherited, has added 1,000 wines in the past four years, including second-growths (more accessible and wallet-friendly wines from excellent vineyards), young Burgundies, a broader selection of California wines,

lesser known Italian labels, and more selections from the Southern Hemisphere. Some 30,000 bottles are stored at different temperatures in two cellars, which the magazine described as "meticulously organized, with handwritten tags on each bottle and a database that's updated daily."

"It has been a tremendous learning experience," Grasing said. "We wanted to provide our customers a great dining experience, and we built this wine list around what our customers were looking for."

Newish nosh spot

Marmee's Bar is an extension of Lady & Larder at 9 Del Fino Place in Carmel Valley Village. The brainchild of twin sisters Sarah and Boo Simms. Lady & Larder sells beautiful handmade cheese and charcuterie boards. And last month, the owners started making food and wine available on Saturdays and Sundays from "noon to 7-ish" on the patio right in front of the shop.



Weekends recently got a little tastier with Marmee's Bar opening in Carmel Valley Village. Offering creative food alongside an intriguing wine list, it's a nice outdoor spot for a Saturday or Sunday meetup.

Marmee's menu is eclectic and includes more than 20 interesting selections of wines by the bottle, varying in price from the low-to-mid \$40 range and topping out at \$90 for a chardonnay from Edna Valley. Most bottles go for \$50 to \$60, and varieties include rosés and orange wines (yes, that's a thing, and no, it's not orange-flavored), sparkling wine, reds without a pinot in the bunch, and whites that sprinkle in a verdelho and a marsanne among the chardonnays.

Once you've settled on a wine, the food options are simple, yet intriguing. Ad Astra focaccia is served with radish and cultured butter. Marinated olives come with fennel pollen, garlic and tangerine rind. Coppa and fennel frond salad is spiked with olives, red onions, tomato, celery leaf and wild arugula. Of course, there are meat and cheese plates, but Marmee's is also buying into a burgeoning national foodie trend — tinned fish. The platter comes with smoked trout and crackers, lemon, herbs, spring onion mayo, and hot sauce for \$27, with an optional white

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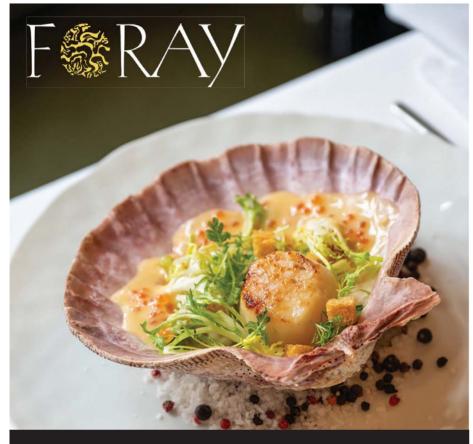
Cha-Ya Monterey Teahouse Boutique flies under the radar with its quirky location between the city's post office and "Pill Hill" — the neighborhood sandwiched between Munras and Pacific Streets that's bristling with all sorts of healthcare providers' offices.

If you love tea, it's worth seeking it out. Owner Ariel Wolansky wants aficionados

of the little dried leaves to check out her new tea menu, with an assortment of more than a dozen offerings from herbal blends to Chinese and Japanese teas, all available by the cup.

Fun fact: No matter what kind of tea you select - black, green, yellow, white, oolong or puerh (a fermented tea from China) — it all comes from the same Camellia sinensis plant. The differences in appearance and taste come from processing methods and oxidation.

While you're visiting the shop, check out its wide variety of home décor items, lovely tea-related gifts, and artisan chocolate. You might even catch a tea ceremony. It's open Tuesday and Thursday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visit Instagram. com/chayamonterey for more information.





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Local summer sippers

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This week, Roxanne Langer of Lady Somm in The Barnyard offers recommendations for warm-weather wines. She also recognizes that summer here doesn't always mean warm, and said you can always fight off the fog with a big, bold bottle of red. No rules about white after Memorial Day here! Here's what else she had to say about this season's quaffs:

Summertime brings the enjoyment of zesty white wines and fruity rosés, as they are the perfect accompaniment to outdoor adventures. from poolside, to sandy dunes, to campfires. Monterey County produces plenty of lovely white wines and rosés to choose from. Looking for a few suggestions? Try these.

2022 Corral Sauvignon Blanc Zabala Vineyard, Arroyo Seco, Monterey County (\$30). With intense flavors of stone fruits like peach and apricot, moving to more subtle tropical notes of guava and passionfruit, and ending with sauvignon blanc's characteristic gooseberry signature, this wine's acidity makes it a good thirst-quencher. Visit the Corral Wine Company tasting room in the village at 19 E. Carmel Valley Road.

Zesty or smooth

The 2022 Bernardus Rosella's Vineyard, Santa Lucia Highlands, Chardonnay (\$55) is great if you are looking for a richer and rounder white. Perfect on a warm day, it has some similar flavor notes to Corral's sauvignon blanc as well as ripe and intense notes of stone fruits like peaches. There are even a few tropical notes. The oak aging on the chardonnay definitely separates the zesty Corral from the smooth Bernardus. Bernardus' tasting room is also located in the Carmel Valley at 5 W. Carmel Valley Road.

Dawn's Dream 2023 Clone 236 Rosé of Pinot Noir from the Santa Lucia Highlands (\$39) has a color that shouts summer. It's the perfect pink sipper with notes of floral and citrus, leaning towards orange, minerality, and lively acidity. Find the winery's tasting room in town at the corner of Seventh and San Carlos.





Corral Wine Co.'s 2022 sauvignon blanc is one of several summery bottles on wine writer Roxanne Langer's mind as June gives way to July.

Albariño + cheese

Morgan Winery is celebrating the release of its 2023 albariño and offering a special wine-and-cheese pairing at its tasting room in the Crossroads shopping center July 13.

The wine, which is available for \$26 per bottle, offers "a California perspective on a classic Spanish varietal," according to the winery, with "aromas of white peach and honeysuckle, followed by crisp fruit flavor and mouthwatering acidity."

It's the wine's brightness that makes it an ideal pairing for summer dishes like ceviche and watermelon and feta salad and cheese.

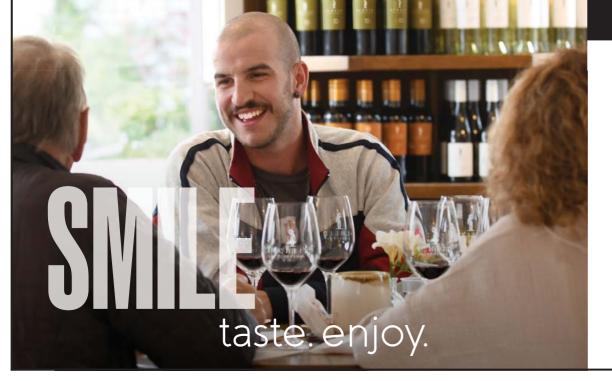
Speaking of cheese, Kent Torrey of the Cheese Shop will present his picks to pair with four different Morgan wines during a special session at the tasting room July 13 from 3 to 6 p.m. for \$30 per person (\$20 for wine club members).

Visit morganwinery.com for more information.

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

> On a side street near the Monterey post office, Chaya Monterey Teashop offers an array of high-quality teas to elevate customers' sipping experiences above those of supermarket brands. The shop also carries a nice selection of gift items.

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Sculptor captures poses and personalities as she explores the animal kingdom

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SEVERAL ARTISTS whose work is displayed at Nancy Dodds Gallery find their creative inspiration in the animal kingdom, including sculptor Kristine Taylor.

Taylor said she seeks to capture the "personalities" of her subjects in the pieces

clay, a self-hardening clay that can be carved, machined, sanded and polished."

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"Casting is a very

labor-intensive, multi-step

process involving several

artists doing the mold-mak-

ing, wax work, metal pour-

ing and finish work — and

applying the final patina,"

Bringing a piece to life

When the clay figure is done, she casts it in bronze. Each figure is offered in a limited edition of 15.

she said. "I spend a lot of time working

with these skilled and talented artists, mak-

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she creates. A Stanford University graduate who studied fine art and once pursued painting, she took up sculpting 17 years ago.

Her portfolio looks like a passenger manifest from Noah's Ark — including lions, wolves, dogs, cats, foxes, elephants, mountain goats, sheep, horses, cows, bears, kangeroos, octopi and an assortment of birds.

Keeping it simple

"Animals have always fascinated me, especially in the way their behavior and movement reveal their character," said the sculptor, who lives in Portola Valley, where she grew up. "Their poses can speak volumes about their personality."

Taylor starts shaping her pieces with clay.

"I keep the form simple and refined, rather than representational, to accentuate the character of the animal as well as the beauty of the bronze from which the sculpture is made," she explained. "I use epoxy



On display at Nancy Dodds Gallery, Kristine Taylor's sculptures celebrate many animals, including the iconic sea otter.

ing decisions and adjustments in order to bring the piece to life."

Taylor is one of the best selling artists Dodd represents. "Kristine is featured all over the gallery," the gallery owner said. "From sea otters to rabbits, they are all amazing."

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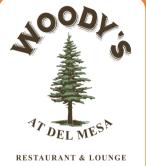
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Live music June 28-July 4

Albatross Ridge Winery and Kitchen in Monterey — singer and guitarist Brandon Zahursky, aka Rivvrs (indie folk, Friday and Saturday at 5 p.m.), singer and guitarist Kristen Gradwohl (Saturday at 5 p.m.). 316 Alvarado St.

Asilomar Conference Grounds in Pacific Grove — singer and guitarist Fred McCarty (Friday at 6:30 p.m.). 800 Asilomar Ave.

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

Bernardus Lodge & Spa in Carmel Valley — pianist **Michael Culver** (jazz, Friday and Saturday at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Alison Sharino** (Saturday at noon), guitarist **John Sherry** (rock and blues, Sunday at noon). 415 W. Carmel Valley Road.

Big Sur River Inn — Along Came **Betty** (jazz, Sunday at 12:30 p.m.). 46800

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Bon Ton LeRoy's Lighthouse Smokehouse in Monterey — 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 **Scotty Wright** (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 — The Brad Wilson Band (rock and blues, Saturday at 8:30 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 pop, Sunday at 11 a.m.), guitarist **Richard Devinck** (classical, Sunday at 6 p.m.), singer **Lee Durley** and pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). Lincoln and Seventh, Carmel.

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Singer and multi-instrumentalist Tom Freund performs Saturday, 10 p.m., at Fernwood Resort in Big Sur.



Soul Shake plays Saturday, 2 p.m., at Lucy's on Lighthouse in Pacific Grove. Led by singer Kenneth Boutelle, the band draws inspiration from the West Side of Chicago's legendary blues scene.

jazz jam with singer and pianist **Scotty Wright**, bassist **Zach Westfall** and others (jazz, Sunday at 1 p.m.). 1441 Canyon Del Rey.

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

Fernwood Resort in Big Sur — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Tom Freund** (Saturday at 10 p.m.). 47200 Highway 1.

Folktale Winery in Carmel Valley harpist Kate Ramsey and cellist Kristen Marie, aka Beach Hex (Friday at 4 p.m.), Two Rivers with singer Richard Bryant and guitarist Kyle Kovalik (pop and rock, Saturday at 2 p.m.), The Monterey Jazz Festival Regional All-Stars (Sunday at 11 a.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist Rory Lynch (Thursday at 2 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

Gusto Pasta and Pizza in Seaside singer Janice Perl and keyboardist TJ Kuenster (jazz, Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). 1901 Fremont Blvd.

Hyatt Carmel Highlands — singer and pianist **Dino Vera** (jazz, blues and r&b, Saturday and Sunday at 8 p.m. and Thursday at 7 p.m.). 120 Highlands Drive. The Inn at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach — The Andy Weis Band (jazz, Friday, Saturday and Thursday at 7 p.m.), singer and guitarist Al James and bassist Jesse DeCarlo (Saturday at 2 p.m.). 2700 17 Mile Drive.

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

Juice 'n' Java in Pacific Grove multi-instrumentalist Ses-Eye-Ohm (Friday at 4:30 p.m.), Open Mic (Friday at 7 p.m.), The Zach Westfall Trio (jazz, Saturday at 6:30 p.m.), guitarist Catherine Broz (Spanish music, Sunday at 11 a.m.). 599 Lighthouse Ave.

Julia's Vegetarian Restaurant in Pacific Grove — singer and guitarist Rick Chelew (Thursday at 6 p.m.). 1180 Forest Ave.

The Links Club — **The Edge Band** (rock, Friday at 7 p.m.), **Neon City Lights** (contemporary country, Saturday at 7 p.m.), Singer-Songwriter Showcase (Tues-

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Lucy's on Lighthouse in Pacific Grove — New Wave (rock, Friday at 2 p.m.), Soul Shake (blues, Saturday at 2 p.m.), The Transducers (rock and funk, Sunday at 2 p.m.). 1120 Lighthouse Ave.

Marriott Hotel in Monterey — The Latin Jazz Collective (Saturday at 8:30 p.m.). In Characters Bar, 350 Calle Principal.

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

Midici Pizza in Monterey — singer and bassist Dennis Murphy and guitarist Paul Magpusao (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.), singer and pianist Scotty Wright and bassist Etienne David Franc (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St.

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



Singer Allen Stone takes the stage Saturday, 8 p.m., at Golden State Theatre in Monterey.

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

O'Callaghan's Pub — The Brad Wilson Band (rock and blues, Thursday 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 Sherita Perez (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist Kristen Gradwohl (Saturday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist Kris Angelis (Sunday at 5 p.m.). 281 Alvarado St.

Salty Seal Pub in Monterey — ZWB (rock, Friday at 8 p.m.), Lighthouse (rock, country and blues, Saturday at 8 p.m.), The Edge Band (rock, Sunday at 4 p.m.), singer and guitarist Brandon Zahursky, aka Rivvrs (indie folk, Sunday at 4 p.m.), singer and guitarist Kyle Kovalik (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.

Sly McFly's — Lost & Found (rock and soul, Friday at 9 p.m.), The Bridget Marie Band (r&b and funk, Saturday at 9 p.m.) 700 Cannery Row.

Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley — mandolinist Dave Holodiloff (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place.

Twisted Roots Vineyard tasting room in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist Casey Frazier (Sunday at 1 p.m.), singer Miranda Perl and guitarist Adam Astrup (jazz, Thursday at noon). 12 Del Fino Place.

Vin Bar Carmel — The Robb Frank Duo (rock, blues and country, Sunday at 3:30 p.m.). 237 The Crossroads Blvd.

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

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20241058

The following person(s) is(are) doing

Ihe following person(s) is(are) doing business as: BUILDING INTIMACY, 105 SCHOOL WAY, WATSONVILLE, CA 95076, County of SANTA CRUZ Registered Owner(s): PARLINX LLC, 2064 SEASCAPE BLVD APTOS, CA 95003; CA This business is conducted by A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Particidate Compared to transpare their

LIABILII Y COMPANY Registrant commenced to transact busi-ness under the fictificus business name listed above on 10/07/2020 S/ JULIE WALL, MANAGING MEM-BER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County 05/23/2024 6/14, 6/21, 6/28, 7/5/24 CNS-3812844# CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Datase Uses 14, 21, 28

Publication Dates: June 14, 21, 28, July 5, 2024. (PC 603)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20241035

The following person(s) is(are) doing

business as: @DLDSIR WILD IMAGES, 1185 SHA-FER ST. SEASIDE, CA 93955, County of MONTEREY

Registered Owner(s): DANIEL LEE, 1185 SHAFER ST. SEA-SIDE CA 93955 This business is conducted by AN IN-DIVIDUAL

Registrant commenced to transact busi-ness under the fictitious business name listed above on 4/19/2024 S/ DANIEL LEE This stramact

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 5/20/2024

5/20/2024 6/7, 6/14, 6/21, 6/28/24 **CNS-3813442# CARMEL PINE CONE** Publication Dates: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024 (PC 606)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

NAME STATEMENT

NAME STATEMENT File No. 2024/129 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ROCKIN B LAND & CATTLE CO., 29120 Chualar Canyon Rd., Chualar, CA 93925. Registered Owner(s): FRANK BALLES-TEROS, 244 Rainbow Dr. 14493, Living-ston, TX 77399. DARLENE SUSAN BALLESTEROS This business is conducted by a married

This business is conducted by a married

This business is conducted by a married couple. Registrant commenced to transact busi-ness under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 3, 2024. BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL IN-FORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pur-suant to Section 17913 of the Business and

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a Public Hearing on Wednesday, July 10, 2024, at 4:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible. Immediately prior to the Public Hearing, the Commission 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 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall located on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues. To participate via teleconference, use this link: https://ci.acrmel.ca.us.zoom.us//87694638519?pwd=K4w04362Blvw9 Vvsc-DfRfzBtBNpdQ.9AkTceOuBjdOtshp. To participate via phone, dial +1 (669) 444-9171. Webinar ID: 876 9463 8519. Passcode: 900382.

All interested people are invited to attend in person or via teleconference at the All interested people are invited to attend in person or via teleconference at the time and place specified above to give oral or written testimony concerning this matter. Written comments may be submitted to the 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 <u>bswanson@ci.carmel.</u> <u>ca.us</u> 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 legislative body and made part of the record. Comments received after that time and up to the end of the public hearing will be saved as part of the record but may not be provided to the legislative body prior to or during the public hearing.

Ihe statt report and relevant documents will be available at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting on the City's website at <u>http://www.ci.carmel.ac.us</u> and found by clicking on "Government" and then "Meetings." The Planning Commission meeting will be broadcast live on the City's website at <u>http://carmel.novusagenda.com/agendapublic/meetingsresponsive.aspx</u> and the City's YouTube Channel at <u>http://www.youtube.com/c/CityofCarmelbytheSea</u> and archived there after the meeting. For more information regarding Planning Commission meetings, please contact the Community Planning & Building Department at (831) 620-2010. The staff report and relevant documents will be available at least 72 hours in

DS 23-337 (Kim)

Bradley Green, Designer Casanova Street 2 northwest of 9th Avenue

Block I; Lot 17 APN: 010-263-007-000

Consideration of a Final Design Study and associated Coastal Development Permit for the demolition of an existing 997-square-foot, one-story single-fam-ily residence and the construction of Ity residence and the construction of 1,798-square-foot, two-story sin-gle-family residence, inclusive of a 232-square-foot attached garage. The residence is located at Casanova Street 2 northwest of 9th Avenue in the Sin-gle-Family Residential (R-1) District.

DR 23-140 & LM 20-394 & UP 21-113 (Esperanza Carmel Commercial - JB Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punish-able by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/Frank Ballesteros Data ciacade lung 2, 2004

Date signed: June 3, 2024 This statement was filed with the Coun-ty Clerk of Monterey County on June 3, 2024.

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 statement pursuant to Section 1/913 other than a charge in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Busi-ness 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 vi-olation of the rights of another under Fed-eral. State or common Jaw (See Section State, or common law (See Section 1 et seq., Business and Professions eral, 14411

Code). Publication Dates: June 14, 21, 28, July 5, 2024 (PC 608)

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

BUSINESS NAME File No. 20241114 Filing type: ABANDONMENT: County of Filing: Monterey Date of Original Filing: March 8, 2024 File No.: 20210622 The following person(-1): (ness or: PET File No.: 20210622 The following person(s) is(are) doing busi-ness as: PEDEGO CARMEL, 125 Ocean-view Blvd, Ste. 122, Pacific Grove, CA

93950 93950. Name of Corporation of as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: BIG SUR AD-VENTURES INC., 142 Boyd Way, Carm-el, CA 93923. County of Principal Place of Business: Manteroru

Monter

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

This business is conducted by a corporation. BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL IN-FORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pur-suant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor pun-ishable by a fine not to exceed one thou-sand dollars (\$1,000). I am also aware that all Information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pur-suant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250)-6277). 6277).

Sullivan, President S/Joaquin Sulli May 21, 2024

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 31, 2024.

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 atter any change in the tacts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Busi-ness Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in viola-tion of the rights of another under Federal. Sidie of d'Architous pusifiess rodatie in viola-tion of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Publication dates: June 14, 21, 28, July 5, 2024. (PC609)

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 24CV002231 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Peti-tioner, Nichole Sue Simonsen on behalf of Colette Leigh Ponsonby, a minor filed a pe-tition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A.<u>Present name</u>: COLETTE LEIGH PONSONBY

COLETTE LEIGH PONSONBY Proposed name: COLETTE PONSONBY SIMONSEN 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 chang-es described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING: DATE-August 2, 2024

DATE: August 2, 2024 TIME: 8:30 a.m. DEPT: 15 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 snan be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the fol-lowing newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone.

(s) Thomas W. Wills

Judge of the Superior Court Date filed: May 31, 2024 Publication Dates: June 14, 21, 28, July 5, 2024. (PC 610)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20241113 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BAG O' CRAB, 1401 N. Davis Rd., SALINAS, CA 93907 County of MONTEREY

Registrant(s): SEA HOUSE SALINAS LLC, 2557 Bar-rington Ct, Hayward, CA 94545 This business is conducted by a limited



office will be CLOSED Thursday, July 4th

Calendar, Legals, Obituaries and RE Open House listings and photos must be submitted no later than

4 p.m. on Monday, July 1

NOTICES

liability company Registrant commenced to transact busi-ness under the fictilious business name or names listed above on 03/10/2021. SEA HOUSE SALINAS LLC S/ Shan B Guo, Manager, This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 05/31/2024. 6/14, 6/21, 6/28, 7/5/24 CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: June 14, 21, 28, July 5, 2024. (PC 611)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

File No. 20241035 The following person(s) is(are) doing

@dldslr Wild Images, 1185 Shafer St. Seaside, CA 93955, County of

Monterey Registered Owner(s): Daniel Lee, 1185 Shafer St. Seaside, CA 93955

This business is conducted by an individual Registrant commenced to transact busi-

Adjustation of the fictitious business name listed above on 04/19/2024 S/ Daniel Lee This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 05/20/2024 6/14, 6/21, 6/28, 7/5/24

05/20/2024 6/14,6/21,6/28,7/5/24 CNS-3821738# CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: June 14, 21, 28, July 5, 2024. (PC 612)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20241115 Files No. 20241115 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **IMAGES FROM MONTEREY BAY**, 1026 Ocean Rd., Pebble Beach, CA 2026

CA 93953. County of Principal Place of Business: County of I MONTEREY.

MONTEREY. Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: D&P TASHJIAN ENTERPRISES LP

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

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business Registrant commenced to transact business under the factitious business name or names listed above on March 30, 2024. BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant 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 tine 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). Records Act (Government Code Control 6250-6277). S/David Tashijan Date: May 28, 2024 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 31,

Clerk of Montery County on May 31, 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 2024

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-24-973288-CL Order No.: FIN-24000203

YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 12/15/2005. 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 feder al 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): Kim-berly A Matthei-Briggs and, Chandler C Briggs, wife and husband Recorded: 1/4/2006 as Instrument No. 2006000552 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of MONTEREY County, California; Date of Sale: 7/9/2024 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: \$996,655.42 The

purported property address is: 25871 ELINORE PL, CARMEL, CA 93923 Assessor's Parcel No.: 169-261-017-000 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 avail-

able 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-24-973288

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: June 14, 21, 28, July 5, 2024. (PC 613)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 24CV002511 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Peti-tioner, KAREN ANNE BARRY, filed a peti-tion with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A resent name: KAREN ANNE BARRY Proposed name: KATHERINE ANNE BARRY 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 chang-es described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection that includes the reasons for the objection that includes the reasons for the 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 26, 2024 TIME: 8:30 a.m. DEPT: 14 The address of the court is 1200 Agua-

DEPT: 14 The address of the court is 1200 Agua-jito 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 follow-ing newspaper of general circulation, print-ed in this courty: The Carmel Pine Cone. (s) Thomas W. Wills Judge of the Superior Court Date filed: June 17, 2024 Publication Dates: June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 2024. (PC 624)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 24CV002336 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Peti-tioner, CARISSA MALIA INFANTE, filed a petition with this court for a decree chang-ing names as follows: <u>A Present name</u>:

Proposed name: CLARISSA MALIA INFANTE THE COURT ORDERS that all persons

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 chang-es described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection that includes the reasons for the abjection 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: August 2, 2024

The address of the court is 1200 Agua-jito 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 follow-ing newspaper of general circulation, print-ed in this courty: the Carmel Pine Cone. (s) Thomas W. Wills Judge of the Superior Court Date filed: June 6, 2024 Publication Dates: June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 2024. (PC 625)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20241189 The following person(s) is(are) doing busi-

ness as: STEAM & Robotics @831, 2984 Bird Rock Rd., Pebble Beach, CA 93953,

Registered Owner(s): Varajic Consulting LLC, 2852 Forest Hill Blvd., Pacific Grove, CA 93950; CA This business is conducted by a limited lia-

This business is conducted by a limited lia-bility company Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 04/18/2024 S/Admir Varajic, Managing Member This statement was filed with the Coun-try Clerk of Monterey County on 06/12/2024 6/28, 7/5, 7/12, 7/19/24 **CNS-3826102#** Publication Dates: June 28, July 5, 12, 19, 2024. (PC 627)

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 4:00PM on July 17, 2024 at www.selfstorageauction.com. The property is stored at Marina U Store Self Storage 475 Reservation Road Marina, CA 93933 Patricia Anne Edwards

Patricia Anne Edwards

Kris Traylor Tammy Elaine Darby

128/21 CNS-3826143#

(PC 628)

CARMEL PINE CONE

County of Monterey Registered Owner(s):

DATE: August 2, 2024 TIME: 8:30 a.m. DEPT: 13A

A.<u>Present name</u>: CARISSA MALIA INFANTE

A.<u>Present name</u>: KAREN ANNE BARRY

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2202410002876 The following person(s) is(are) doing

Ine following person(s) is(are) doing business as: CANYON TRANPORT, 34898 GEORGE SMITH RD, SQUAW VAL-LEY, CA 93675, County of FRESNO Registered Owner(s): CANYON TRANSPORT LLC, 34898 GEORGE SMITH RD, SQUAW VALLEY, CA 93675 CA 93675 Articles of Incorporation #: 202461312988 This business is conducted by LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Registrant commenced to transact busi-ness under the fictitious business name listed above on 03/07/2024 S/ ANTHONY SCHROCK, MANAG-ING MEMBER This statement was filed with the County.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on MAY 31 2024

Publication Dates: June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 2024. (PC 619)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20241150 The_following_person(s)_is(are)_doing

The hollowing person(s) is(are) doing business as: Impact Collective Events, 1491 Cy-press Dr Suite 528 Pebble Beach, CA 93953, County of Monterey Registered Owner(s): The Impact Collective Group LLC, 4090 PINE MEADOWS WAY PEBBLE BEACH, CA 93953, CALIFORNIA This business is conducted by A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Registrant commenced to transact busi-

Registrant commenced to transact busi-ness under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A S/ CHAD KIMO BELISARLO, MAN-AGING MEMBER This statement was Birch

AGING MEMBER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 06/05/2024 6/21, 6/28, 7/5, 7/12/24 CNS-3819844# CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates Lune 21, 28, July 5

Publication Dates: June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 2024. (PC 621)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20241148 The following person(s) is(are) doing

business as: FitnessDefault, 51 Los Laureless Ave Salinas, CA 93901, County of Mon-

references, Carlowner(s): FrihessDefault LLC, 51 Los Laureless Ave Salinas, CA 93901 State of Inc./Org./Reg: CALIFORNIA This business is conducted by a limited likelity represent

This business is conducted by a limited liability company Registrant commenced to transact busi-ness under the fictitious business name listed above on not applicable S/ JOHN SILVA, Managing Member This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 06/05/2024 6/21, 6/28, 7/5, 7/12/24 CNS-3817707# CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 2024. (PC 622)

2024 6/21, 6/28, 7/5, 7/12/24 CNS-3823713 CARMEL PINE CONE

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Pastor Building) International Design Group, Architect Southeast Corner of Dolores Street and 7th Avenue Block 91: Lots 6, 8, and 10 APNs: 010-145-023-000,

010-145-024-000, and 010-145-012-000 Consideration of a Design Review, DR 23-140 (Esperanza Carmel Commer Jastor Building), Use Permit, UP
 21-113 (Esperanza Carmel Commercial
 JB Pastor Building), Lot Merger, LM 20-394 (Esperanza Carmel Commer-cial - JB Pastor Building), and associat-ed Coastal Development Permit for the construction of a 13,428- square-foot, two-story mixed-use development with 8 apartment units and approximately 5,100 square feet of commercial space, with an 852-square-foot basement and a surface parking area at the rear of the property with a total of 12 parking spaces, utilizing 5 parking lifts located at Dolores Street 2 southeast of 7th Avenue in the Service Commercial (SC) District.

DS 24089 (Britton)

Sonia Madrigal, Agent Santa Fe Street 2 southwest of Mountain View Avenue Block 87; Lots 7 and 9 APN: 010-082-002-000 Consideration of a Concept Design Study and Lot Merger for the dem-olition of an existing single-family

City of Carmel-by-the-Sea Brandon Swanson, Assistant City Administrator & Acting Director of Community Planning & Building

3 northeast of 5th Avenue in the Sin ale-Family Residential (R-1) District

residence and the construction of a

new 3,178-square-foot, one-story single-family residence, inclusive of a 462-square-foot attached garage, located at Santa Fe Street 2 southwest

of Mountain View Avenue in the Sin gle-Family Residential (R-1) District.

Holdren + Lietzke Architecture, Architect Santa Fe Street 3 northeast of

APN: 010-037-009-000 Consideration of a Concept Design Study for the demolition of an existing

single-family residence and construct

tion of a new two-story single-family residence located on Santa Fe Stree

DS 24096 (Comeau-Meyrose)

5th Avenue Block 46, Lot 16

DS 22150 (CRI on Carpenter - Lot 2) Eric Miller Architects, Architect

Southeast Corner of Guadalupe and 1 st Avenue Blo APN: 010-021-014-000

Consideration of a request for a time extension of DS 22150 and associat-ed Coastal Development Permit for the demolition of four hotel rooms at the Carmel Resort Inn and construction of c 1,965-square-foot two-story residence with a basement located on the south-east corner of Guadalupe Street and 1st Avenue in the Single-Family Residentia (R-1) District.

DS 22151 (CRI on Carpenter - Lot 4) Eric Miller Architects, Architect Guadalupe Street 2 southeast of 1 st Avenue Block 17; Lot 4 APN: 010-021-013-000

Consideration of a request for a time extension of DS 22151 and associated Coastal Development Permit for the demolition of asphalt driveways asso-ciated with the Carmel Resort Inn and construction of a 1,995-square-foot two-story residence with a basement lo cated on Guadalupe Street 2 southeas of 1st Avenue in the Single-Family Resi-dential (R-1) District.

> Publication dates June 28, 2024 (PC634)

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-24-973288-CL 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 Bene ficiary'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-24-973288-CL IDSPub #0202658 6/14/2024 6/21/2024 6/28/2024

Lien Sale Auction Advertisement

Publication Dates: June 28, 2024.

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, ting but and /or other misc. items Auction to be held at Auction to be held at 4:00 pm on July 17, 2024, at: www.selfstorageauction.com The property is stored at: Leonard's Lockers Self Storage, 816 Elvee Drive, Salings, CA 93901 Name Of Tenants Harry Bishop James Leon Robinson Esther Campa Jeremy Gutierrez Rocha Antoinette Morales Armando Sanchez Mirna Ayala Munoz Alexis Hunter Antonio Avila Ramire 6/28/24 CNS-3826931# CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: June 28, 2024. (PC 629)

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the job — I had no plans to move to California — but they doubled the offer, and they brought me out," Khan recalled. "I'm a big naturalist, and really had no idea how beautiful this place was until I came and saw it.'

Her contract with DLI expired, and from 2019 to 2022 She worked as a senior instructional designer at the Naval Postgraduate School.

Late nights at the easel

For the past 18 months, Khan has been employed by Dole Fresh Vegetables in Salinas, where she works as a learning management systems manager.

She paints at her Pacific Grove home but frequently goes directly from her job at Dole to a space she rents at Artworks in Salinas, a studio and gallery operated by the Arts Council of Monterey County (arts4mc.org/artworks).

"At home, I paint in a little corner of my kitchen when I'm cooking, I'm also usually painting," Khan said with a laugh. "So, now, when I get off work in Salinas, I usually come straight to Artworks.

"Sometimes I'll still be painting there at 9 o'clock at night. I've got nobody waiting for me anymore," she shrugged. Her older son, Talha, is an engineer who builds cars for Tesla, and her other, Omar, is a college student majoring in computer science.

Community events

She paints mostly for personal fulfillment and pays little attention to the business side of art, said Khan, who is not represented by a gallery and has a minimal online presence. But she regularly participates in community events.

From July 5 to Aug. 30, she'll show her work at the Tiny Treasures Miniatures Show at the Pacific Grove Art Center, which is having an artists' reception from 7 to 9

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p.m. on July 5.

■ From July 1 to Sept. 5, she'll be part of Seaside Artist Association's three-artist exhibit at Seaside City Hall on Harcourt Avenue, including a reception from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on July 19.

August 17, Khan will participate in a multi-artist show sponsored at The Barnyard shopping center.

On Aug. 24 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Aug. 25

from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., she'll have a space at Sand City's West End Celebration.

To view images of her art on Instagram, see @abstractpaintersclub. Contact her at shaguftakhan0100@gmail. com

Dennis Taylor is a professional freelance writer in Monterey County. Contact him at scribelaureate@gmail. com.

CALENDAR

Every Friday enjoy the "Summer Music Series" at Asilomar Conference Grounds from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Each week a new artist is featured along with wine, beer and handheld food offerings perfect for a summer evening.

June 28 – Carmel Valley Lodge – A night of music and storytelling with Pamela & Bruce Forman's "Cry Me A River" show channeling the music of **Julie London & Barney** Kessel. No host Bar, small bites included. \$49,



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- July 4 Monterey County Pops! Music, Celebration, Community: Get ready to experience an unforgettable celebration at the free public concert of pops and patriotic music presented by Monterey County Pops! Mark your calendars for July 4, 2024, and join us on the lawn at Carmel-by-the-Sea's enchanting Devendorf Park.
- July 4 American Legion Post Fourth of July open house. Enjoy live music, meet some members and learn more about the post, 1 to 5 p.m. at the American Legion Post, Dolores Street, two south of Eighth, Carmel-by-the-Sea. Lunch will be available while supplies last. To learn more, visit alpost512carmel.org

July 10 – Carmel Residents Association hosts a conversation with Mary Adams - our Monterey County District 9 supervisor. At 6:30 p.m. doors will open at the Carmel Woman's Club. Attendance is free and open to the public. Mary will be answering questions on the workings in Monterey County and on the committees and boards that she sits on - these include AMBAG, Energy, Water, Transportation and more. Details are available at www.carmelresidents.org.

July 20 – Galante Family Winery 30 year celebration is set for noon to 3 p.m. at Hidden Valley Music Seminars, 104 W. Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley. There will be tastings of 100 wines from 30 years, mouth-watering barbecue, specials, music and surprises. Limted tickets are available at www.galantevineyards.com or (831) 624-3800

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20241156 File No. 20241156 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BY THE SEA CHIROPRACTIC, 26555 Carmel Ranche Blud 26555 Carmel Rancho Blvd #2, Carmel, CA 93923.

Registered Owner(s): NICOLE ELIZABETH CARVER, 38 Ave Maria Rd., Monterey, CA 93940. This business is conducted by an individ-

Anis obsiness is concluded by an individ-ual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the factitious business name or names listed above on June 1, 2024. BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/Nicole E. Carver Date signed: June 6, 2024 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 6,

Clerk of Monterey County on June 6,

Clerk of Monterey County on June 6, 2024. NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Ficititious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 1441) et seq., Business and Professions Code). Publication Dates: June 28, July 5, 12, 19, 2024 (PC 630)

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA

NOTICE TO CREDITORS MORTEZAI FAMILY TRUST 2022

July 28, 2022, in care of their attorney, Carolyn D. Cain, Law Offices of Cain, Cain & Housman, 150 N. Wiget Lane, Suite 105, Walnut Creek, California 94598, within the later of four months after the date of the first publication of notice to creditors or, if notice is mailed or personal-ly delivered to you, 60 days after the date this notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, or you must petition to file a late claim as provided in Section 19103 of the California Probate Code. A claim form <u>California Probate</u> Code. A claim form may be obtained from the Court Clerk. For your protection, you are encouraged to file your claim by certified mail, with return re-

your claim by certified mail, with return re-ceipt requested. Dated: June 18, 2024 Carolyn D. Cain, Attorney for Katy Gronowski and Babak Mortezai, Suc-cessor Trustees of the Mortezai Family Trust 2022 dated July 28, 2022. 150 N. Wiget Lane, Suite 105 Walnut Creek, CA 94598 Telephone (925) 932-0893 Fax (925) 932-0216 Publication dates: June 28, July 5, 12.

Publication dates: June 28, July 5, 12, 19, 2024. (PC631)

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 20241019 The following person(s) has (have) aban-doned the use of the ficitious business name: SEASIDE CADILAC, 1725 AUTO CENTER PARKWAY, 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 01/27/2020 Current File No. 20200213. PENINSULA AUTOMOTIVE RETAILING GROUP, INC., 3 GEARY PLAZA, SEASIDE, CA 93955; CALIFORNIA Dis business was conducted by A COR-

This business was conducted by A COR-PORATION.

I declare that all information in this state

I declare that all information in this state-ment is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursu-ant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor pun-ishable by a fine not to exceed one thou-sand dollars (\$1,000).) S/ INDER DOSANUH, PRESIDENT This statement was filed with the Coun-ty Clerk of MONTREY County on 5/17/2024. 6/17 6/14 6/21 6/28/24

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PUBLIC NOTICE This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact busi-This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact busi-ness under the fictilious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 2024. BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALI IN-FORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pur-suant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punish-able by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/Barry Diamond Date signed: April 30, 2024 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 30, 2024. NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision

Registered Owner(s): JAIME RAFAEL HERNANDEZ CAMACHO This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact busi-ness under the fictitious business name or ness under the inclinious business name of names listed above on June 25, 2024. BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL IN-FORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pur-suant to Section, 17913 of the Business and suant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punish-able by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/Jaime Rafael Hernandez Camacho Date signed: June 25, 2024 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 25, 2024.

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 statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Busi-ness 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 vi-olation of the rights of another under Fed-eral, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

Publication Dates: June 28, July 5, 12, 19, 2024 (PC 635)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20240886 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing busi-ness as: TOUCHSTONE REAL ESTATE, 6226 Tustin Rd., Salinas, CA 93907. Registered Owner(s): BARRY J. DIAMOND



Publication Dates: June 28, July 5, 12, 19, 2024 (PC 636)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20241172 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: J R S Trucking, 17510 Quail Hill Lane, Aromas, CA 95004. Registered Owner(s): ADOLFO RODRIGUEZ-SALGUERO, 17510 Quail Hill Lane, Caromas, CA 95004.

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Inis Business is conducted by an intervo-val. 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 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/Adolfo Rodriguez-Salguero Date signed: June 10, 2024 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 10, 2024.

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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



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, July 9, 2024, on or after 4:30 p.m., the City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will hold a Public Hearing via teleconference and in person at the City Hall Council Chambers located on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea.

SUBJECT OF PUBLIC HEARING

APP 24118 (Hofsas House Hotel)

Neal Kruse, Appellant San Carlos Street 2 northwest of 4th Avenue

Block 34: Lots 1 & 3, 10, 12 X 14, 5X7 EXC S 9 IN OF L 7, E 30FT OF L 8, S 9 IN OF L 7 X ALL OF L 9, N 30FT OF L 11

APN: 010-124-001-000 and 010-124-014-000

APP 24118 (Hofsas House, Inc.): Consideration of an appeal of the Planning Com-mission's approval of Design Review application DR 24059 (Hofsas House, Inc.) as-sociated Lot Line Adjustment and Coastal Development Permit for the demolition of an existing 38-room hotel and the construction of a new 38-room hotel, and Use Permit application UP 24060 for the hotel and associated accessory uses located on San Carlos Street 2 northwest of 4th Avenue in the Residential & Limited Commercial (RC) District. APN: 010-124-001-000 and 010-124-014-000

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: This meeting will be held via teleconference and in person ("hybrid") in the City Council Chambers at City Hall located on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea. 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 participate via teleconference, click the following link to attend via Zoom (or copy and paste the link into your browser):

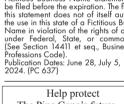
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Case Number P24-01058 Notice is hereby given to the creditors and contingent creditors of the decedent, Fausia Mortezai, that all persons having claims against the decedent are required to file them with the Superior Court lo-cated at 725 Court Street, Martinez, California 94553, and mail or deliver a copy to Katy Gronowski and Babak Mortezai, Successor Trustees of the Mortezai Family Trust 2022 dated

CONE ation Dates: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024 (PC 632)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20241254 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing busi-ness as: CAMACHO'S TOWING, 1450 N 1st St., Apt. 3, Salinas, CA 93906.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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office will be CLOSED Thursday, July 4th

Calendar, Legals, Obituaries and RE Open House listings and photos must be submitted no later than 4 p.m. on Monday, July 1

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The staff report and relevant documents will be available at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting on the City's website at <u>http://www.ci.carmel.ca.us</u>. The Council meeting will be televised live on the City's website and archived there after the meeting. For more information regarding City Council meetings, please contact the City Clerk's office at (831) 620-2016.

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

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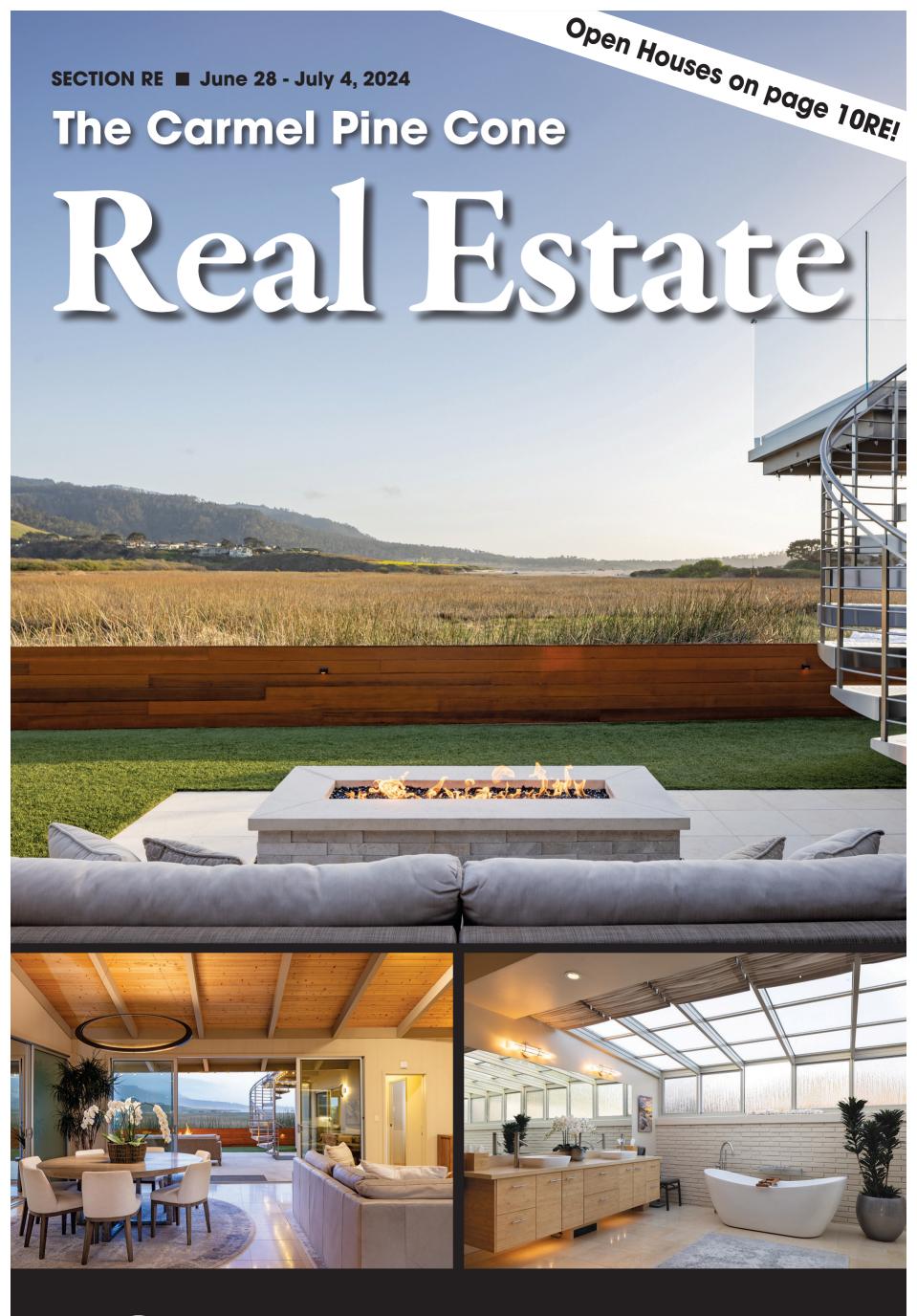
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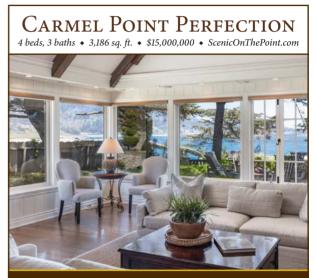
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Carmel Valley

202 Hacienda Carmel — \$850,000 Sabrina Wadsworth to Oswaldo Mino APN: 015-346-012

185 Del Mesa Carmel — \$1,025,000 Sue Cooney to William Rawson and Esther Sulsona APN: 015-512-016

8 Country Club Drive — \$1,300,000 Nancy Goldrain and Cunningham Trust to Pamela Durkee



22 La Rancheria, Carmel Valley — \$2,275,000

APN: 187-241-008

Story Road — \$1,330,000 Sue Anne Caswell to Riley Ramones APN: 187-541-024



26525 Fisher Drive, Carmel — \$1,375,000

48 Lupin Lane — \$1,350,000 Timothy and Yumi Cadigan to Christopher and Eileen Murphy APN: 187-522-007

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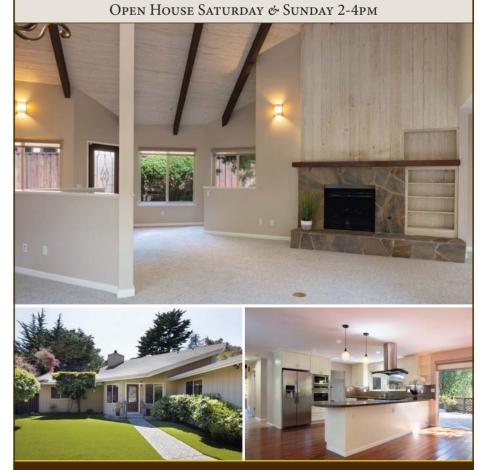


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Hey buddy, it's a tough old world out there, so let's keep in touch

ANAÏS NIN wrote: "Each friend represents a world in us, a world possibly not born until they arrive, and it is only by this meeting that a new world in born." Listen carefully to the magic is that statement. "It is only by this meeting that a new world is

born." Imagine that happening in bunches, like it did to me when I became a part of the Toonsday Coffee Group in Carmel. New worlds were created for me by the talented artists and writers who gathered once a week. Magic happened as novel thoughts,

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'Vicious Circle'

The meetings reminded me of The Algonquin Round Table, a group of New York City writers, critics, actors and wits who met for lunch each day at the Algonquin Hotel from 1919 until roughly 1929. That group was acerbic in nature, dubbing themselves "The Vicious Circle." They

engaged in wisecracks, wordplay and witticisms, often disparaging the group and even individual members.

Our own meetings were congenial, and although

wordplay and witticisms were tossed around with impunity, they were never derogatory. It was 60 minutes of scintillating dialogues and — depending on who had the floor — scintillating monologues.

Old friends. They are the witnesses to our lives and keepers of our memories. The slices of life they witnessed may no longer exist, but they were highlights when they happened, because good friends journeyed through the stages with us. Sometimes friendships flourish even though time and geography intervene.

An old friend of mine had a birthday last week. Years ago, we were members of the same writers group in the East Bay. She wrote poetry. I dabbled in the genre, if one can dabble in such a formidable literary form. After our meetings, our host would invite five or six of us to join him on his deck for brandy and cigars. I think the women smoked cigarillos. Anyway, as people do, my friend and I went our separate ways. Me, south to the Monterey Peninsula. She, north to her native Canada, where she started a poetry collective, was published worldwide and won numerous awards for her writing. We've not seen each other in more than 30 years. Facebook nudges and birthday greetings keep our memories within reach.

Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVASE

The magic happened again when I began having Zoom sessions with three former high school classmates. We hadn't had contact in 70 years, yet we shared the history of four years of our lives that were the seeds of our later development. The Zoom sessions show us what we've grown into.

Younger days

Siblings are thrust upon us. Friendships are voluntary. We choose friends who are like ourselves. Often friendships develop among coworkers, but even those can be

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short-lived when one or the other changes jobs and discovers that work was their only commonality.

Neighborhoods and schools formed our young friendships. I didn't know much about my childhood friends' families. I barely knew their parents. Maybe it was because we were in the midst of a global conflict and most parents were involved in some kind of war effort. You rarely went into a friend's home. You couldn't phone them because nobody had a telephone. Ringing their doorbell was not an option. "Hey, Jimmy! Can you come out and play?" you yelled from the front stoop. Jimmy either came out or stood in the window shaking his head "no." He had chores.

A lingering taste

Magic happens when friendship is the foundation of a romantic relationship. "I married my best friend," we hear spouses say. The ideal combination is someone you share your life with and is your best buddy. You share core values, support and consolation when needed, and you can be happy with the casual intimacy of doing nothing together.

The problem with being old friends is the "old" part. I lost track of all but one of the brandy-and-cigar group, but the memories linger and are as luxurious and complex as the liquor.

Attrition takes a toll as, one by one, our brief candles go out. Witnesses to our lives and keepers of our memories leave us behind. The realization that we are now some late someone's surviving friend hits like a ton of tolling bells. But we can tell the world that they were here, and in the telling relive those slices of life we shared. Grieve the loss, but dust off those good memories, because somewhere down the line we'll meet again.

So, here's to the old friends I still have, and who still have me. Let's keep in touch.

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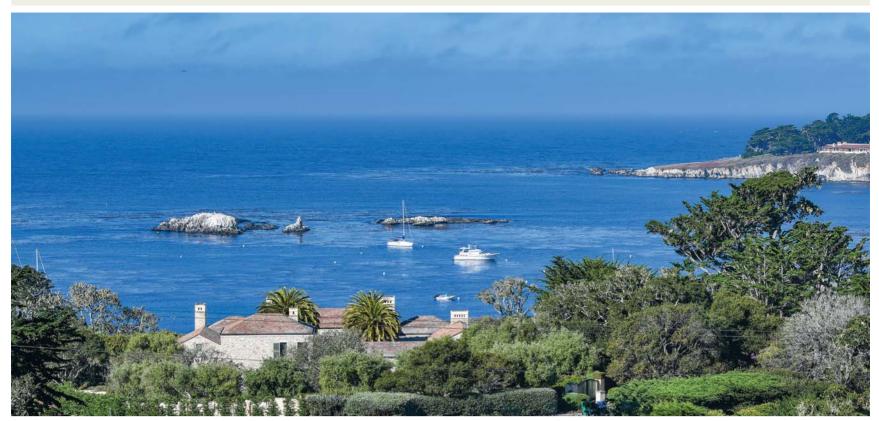
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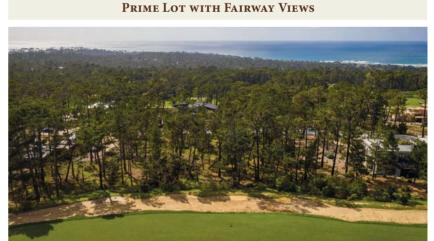


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Ralph volunteers at the Monterey Bay Aquarium, and is past president and coach with Carmel Community Girls Softball, and actively contributes to the Big Sur Land Trust.

He holds a BA in Political Science from SFSU, a computer science certificate from UCSC and studied two years at Berklee College of Music. Ralph and his wife live in Carmel where they raised three children who are now proud graduates of Carmel High School.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 13

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Investigated non-injury traffic collision on San Antonio Avenue.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle at Junipero and Sixth stored per 22651(n) CVC [no parking, tow-away zone].

Pacific Grove: Vehicles on Forest Avenue and on Second Street marked as abandoned.

Pacific Grove: At approximately 1205 hours, an officer was dispatched to contact a Mermaid Avenue resident regarding a subject who had committed a municipal code infraction (public urination/defecation) near his residence on June 5. The identity of the subject is unknown.

Pacific Grove: Suspicious circumstances on Lawton Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Theft from a person's purse on Forest Avenue.

Pebble Beach: APS referral alleging psychological and mental abuse at a residence on Sherman Road.

Carmel Valley: Female reported suspicious circumstances regarding her father and girlfriend on Cachagua Road.

Carmel area: Male warned about trespassing at the Crossroads shopping center.

Carmel Valley: Child Protective Services referral alleging physical abuse of a minor at a residence on Trampa Canyon.

Carmel Valley: Report of vandalism/ graffiti at a Carmel Valley Road location. Carmel area: Theft reported on Rio

Road. Pebble Beach: Female on 17 Mile Drive was placed on a W&I 5150 hold [danger to

self or others]. Carmel Valley: Subject on Rancho Fiesta Road received a harassing phone call.

FRIDAY, JUNE 14

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle towed after being parked in a fire lane at Del Mar and Ocean.

Pacific Grove: Subject at Ripple and Beach was cited and released for warrants. The 46-year-old male failed to appear in court on a misdemeanor charge.

Carmel area: A male was warned about trespassing at a property on Rio Road.

Carmel Valley: Deputies documented a domestic verbal dispute on Rancho Road.

SATURDAY, JUNE 15

Carmel-by-the-Sea: At 0023 hours, a vehicle check was conducted at Junipero and Seventh. A records check on the occupant, a 22-year-old female out of Fairfield, found she was a missing person. After a welfare check was conducted, she was released from the scene and taken out of the missing persons system.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: The missing female from the above case was also found to have an outstanding warrant for her arrest out of Union City P.D. The warrant was for assault. and bail was set at \$10,000. She was released from the scene with a citation for a promise to appear.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 45-year-old male driver at Carpenter and Second was released with a promise to appear for false DMV registration to avoid fees.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: At 2150 hours, a non-injury collision occurred at Mission and Sixth. The driver was backing into a parking stall and backed into a parked vehicle, causing minor damage.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle on Ocean View Boulevard was marked for 72-hour violation.

Pacific Grove: Attempted theft at a Country Club Gate business. Subject, a 14-yearold male, was issued a citation and released.

Pacific Grove: Subject on Lighthouse Avenue was placed on a 5150 W&I hold.

Pacific Grove: Theft of a bicycle from a Grand Avenue location.

Carmel Valley: Flowers were delivered to a residence on Poppy Road. Information as to who sent them was anonymous.

Carmel area: An ID was found at the Barnyard shopping center and was booked into evidence for safekeeping.

Pebble Beach: Deputies responded to a report of a sexual assault on Mission Road involving an 86-year-old male suspect and a 48-year-old female victim.

SUNDAY, JUNE 16

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person found a license plate in the roadway at Ocean and Carmelo. CHP and county communications did not have any priors for the plate.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Multiple associates of an elderly woman on San Carlos north of 11th called to request a 5150 W&I evaluation upon her forthcoming release from the hospital.

Big Sur: Deputies responded to a report of a disturbance on Highway 1.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Driver at Eighth and Carmelo was arrested for displaying a fraudulent registration tab and failing to provide insurance. Cited and released at the scene.

Pacific Grove: A female on Monarch Lane was placed on a mental health hold.

Pacific Grove: Found property at 230 17 Mile Drive by the baseball fields and on the rec trail by Berwick Park.

Pacific Grove: Subject at Lighthouse and 19th made suicidal statements. Subject was placed on a 5150 W&I hold.

Pacific Grove: Informational report regarding a child custody court order.

MONDAY, JUNE 17

Pacific Grove: A peace disturbance occurred in the 100 block of Ocean View Boulevard. A trespass admonishment was served.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person found keys at the beach.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle vs. parked vehicle on Ocean Avenue.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report taken for a lost necklace at Ocean and Dolores.

Pacific Grove: Grand theft of two bikes on Sunset Drive reported.

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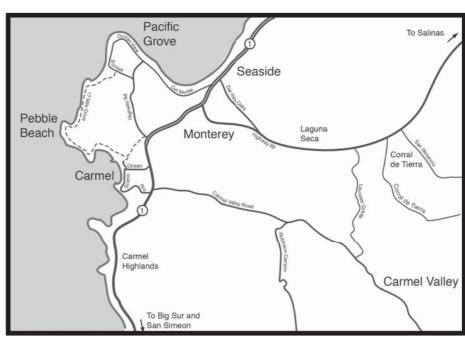
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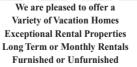
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