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Election will be the most contested in years

■ Three more qualify for council ballot

By MARY SCHLEY

LESS THAN two weeks into the filing period, five candidates have obtained enough signatures to qualify in the city's Nov. 5 election for mayor and city council — none of them incumbents.

The most recent is Hans Buder, spokesman for the group that's searching for new sites to accommodate low-cost housing so it won't have to be built on city property. The Monterey County Elections department verified Tuesday that he'd gotten enough voters to sign his nomination papers and will be among the candidates vying for two city council seats.

"Having grown up on Martha's Vineyard, I have a deep appreciation for the issues impacting small coastal communities, and I'm passionate about protecting the charm and natural beauty of Carmel," he said in an email to The Pine Cone.

Top of class

Buder's wife, Meghan, graduated from Carmel High School, where her mother was a teacher for nearly 20 years. "We've lived in Carmel-by-the-Sea for the past eight years and are raising our three young kids here," he said.

Buder, 38, founded and is executive director of the Moving to Opportunity Fund, "a social-impact-focused real estate investment firm with a double bottom line mission: to put low-income kids born into concentrated poverty on the path to college by providing their families with access to affordable housing in communities with high-performing public schools, while delivering market-rate returns for investors."

He was formerly a project manager in the San Francisco branch of a real estate developer specializing in mixed-income housing and the revitalization of distressed urban neighborhoods, and before that worked for a Boston-based real estate private equity firm. He also taught science at an inner-city middle school in New Orleans as

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Did you hear a tuba? I swear I heard a tuba.

By CHRIS COUNTS

A COUPLE was married Saturday at Carmel Mission, and the University of California Marching Band was there to let everyone within earshot know about it. The spectacle kicked off around 4:30 p.m.

"A wedding party left the rear parking lot at the Carmel Mission with the Cal marching band leading the way," reported Peter Krause, who lives with his wife across the street from the Mission.



City finds plenty not to like in latest Pastor plan

By MARY SCHLEY

THE FIVE-YEAR saga of Patrice Pastor's efforts to build a mixed-use complex on Dolores south of Seventh continued apace earlier this month, when the Carmel Planning Commission generally panned the proposed design and asked for a significant redo.

After purchasing a single lot several years ago and submitting plans for redeveloping it in 2019, Pastor bought



RENDERING/JUN A. SILLANO, AIA

An architect's rendering shows the proposed JB Pastor building fronting on Dolores Street south of the 7D Steakhouse.

two lots to the north — one of which contains the community room built behind the former bank that had been declared historic — and presented revised plans for a 16,898-square-foot complex with apartments, retail space and underground parking.

That application called for demolition of the community room, which wasn't considered historic at the time, but the historic resources board in May 2021 denied the project. Pastor in August of that year asked the city council to overturn that vote, but it didn't.

Slightly smaller

A revision considered by the HRB in January 2023 would have relocated the community room, but the HRB listed the entire Seventh & Dolores complex on the local historic inventory and register and again concluded the plans would violate federal rules for the treatment of historic properties.

Pastor appealed once more, and the city council in May 2023 again upheld the board's decision.

The news finally improved for Pastor when, in July 2023, the HRB voted in favor of yet another revised plan, slightly smaller in scale at 15,351 square feet, which would retain the community room but relocate a section of a decorated concrete wall that borders it.

But city council members Karen Ferlito and Alissandra Dramov used their privilege as elected officials to call up that decision for a ruling by the

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RESTAURANT OWNER ADMITS CREDIT CARD FRAUD

■ Accomplice may have fled country

By MARY SCHLEY

DIA KHEIR, who owns two restaurants in downtown Carmel, pleaded guilty July 18 to grand theft and credit card fraud amounting to more than \$100,000 according to Monterey County Chief Deputy District Attorney Emily Hickok, and is set to be sentenced in October.

Kheir, 52, bought Yafa restaurant at Junipero and Fifth in 2019 and then opened Carmel's Hidden Gem a few blocks away in 2022.

According to prosecutors, Kheir and a co-conspirator, Tarek Hamade, used a complex scheme of maxing out

multiple credit cards and never paying them off, running fake charges through Yafa's cash register system, and engaging in other schemes to bilk five financial institutions out of nearly \$214,000 in 2021.

Kheir, who was living in a Carmel Meadow apartment with wife Rita, was arrested in fall 2022 after an extensive investigation, while Hamade is thought to be out of the country and remains on the lam.

Lots of evidence

According to Monterey County Superior Court records, Kheir was charged with 13 felonies for grand theft, credit card fraud and money laundering, with numerous enhancements because the losses totaled more than \$100,000, and after he was arrested he was released on \$100,000 bail.

At a preliminary hearing in January in which Hickok and two investigators presented evidence to Superior Court Judge Pam Butler, Hickok explained that Kheir "conspired to make charges on Hamade's credit cards, and then they were never paid." In interviews with

See FRAUD page 21A

MPWMD to roll out new job title to ease burden on GM

By KELLY NIX

THE MONTEREY Peninsula Water Management District board of directors — apparently believing general manager Dave Stoldt is working too much — will consider hiring an assistant GM next month to help him. The job description, if directors OK it, will be a first for the 46-year-old public agency.

At the July 15 MPWMD meeting during a discussion about giving water district employees and Stoldt raises, he told the seven-member board that he would agendize an item to hire someone to help him do his job.

"Next month, I'll be bringing you a job description for an assistant general manager," he said.

This week, The Pine Cone asked Stoldt, among other things, why the new position is necessary.

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Sandy Claws

Ambassador of the beach

Sir Remington is a 4-year-old blue merle Australian shepherd, the fifth in a family lineage of Aussies, who almost got scooped by a doodle. Having had four Aussies, his people had begun to wonder if it was time to try something else.

Until they received a phone call that an unexpected litter had been born in Los Gatos. They confirmed their true intentions by getting in the car. "Once you meet an Aussie puppy," his person said, "you usually don't leave alone." And they didn't.

Ever since his people took up residence on Carmel Point, Remy has been the ambassador-by-the-bay. Particularly on Carmel Beach, where he greets everyone, dog or person, expecting them to return his enthusiasm, as happy to see him as he is to see, well, everyone.

"I actually have to watch out for him," said his person, "in case someone is not a dog person. Although that's hard to imagine in this canine community. Thanks to Remy, I know more dogs by their names than their people."

Remy is truly a "lover boy" his person said, who finds him good natured and caring. He's also bright, alert, intuitive and fun. He has more than 20 toys, and he knows each one by name.



"It's important to keep an Aussie's mind engaged," his person said. "So, we play games. We line up all his toys on my bed, and I go into the other room and say, 'Go get otter, hedgehog, octopus. He always gets the right one. He's fun and a really great companion for us.'"

Every morning, Remy wakes up with a "Let's go!" expression, ready for his breakfast and a walk, followed by a romp on his favorite beach.

"We've loved all our dogs," his person said, "but we got lucky with this one. He's a good guy."

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City hall’s aging roof to be replaced

By MARY SCHLEY

THE CARMEL City Council this month authorized a deal with a contractor to replace the roof at city hall for more than \$183,000 after receiving five bids for the job — the highest of which was more than twice that amount.

“We’ve been hearing about this item for a couple of years,” environmental compliance manager Mary Bilse told the council July 8, and now it’s finally time to get the work done. The roof was last replaced in 1984 and is 15 years past its warranty.

“Roof leaks have been increasing, and repairs have become increasingly costly over the past few years as the roof deteriorates,” public works director Bob Harary explained in his report for the council. “The project scope has since been modified to include removal of copper gutters, downspouts and flashing, and replacement

with new metal components.”

The reroofing was approved a few years ago alongside other capital projects, but when it was first put out to bid last year, the numbers came in way too high — \$365,970 and \$631,171 — and the city council rejected them.

No wood shingles

After changing the scope, including getting rid of a requirement for cedar shakes in favor of composition shingles, and extensively advertising for bids, the city received five. The lowest, \$159,400 from California Constructors, came in well under the public works department’s \$200,000 estimate, while the highest, submitted by Ben Franklin Construction, was \$400,160.

Harary recommended adding a 15 percent contingency to the contract. “Roofing replacement projects have inherent risks, especially with historic buildings which cannot be damaged or put out of service for an extended period,” he wrote in the report. “Should differing site conditions warrant an urgent field change, this contingency would be immediately available.”

Depending on the weather, the project should take four months to complete, and city hall will remain open during construction. Materials will be staged in the parking lot, and no work will be done when city council, planning commission and other public meetings are underway.

When it’s done, the parking lot will be resurfaced and landscaping added.

Harary estimated the total cost at \$231,810, including construction, \$35,000 for project management by Ausonio, Inc. and \$13,500 for design work and technical specifications by Ten Over Studio Architects. The amount budgeted for it was \$350,000.



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Police &
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Tires were taken from front yard

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.

INDEPENDENCE DAY

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Theft of jewelry at Camino Real and Eighth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Backpack found at Mission and Fifth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lost wallet containing identification.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fall on city property at Mission and Sixth.

Pacific Grove: At approximately 2335 hours, officers dispatched to a non-injury collision in the 400 block of Laurel Avenue. It was determined the solo-occupant driver was under the influence of alcohol. The 43-year-old female driver was cited and released at PGPD.

Pacific Grove: A domestic battery occurred on Patterson Lane. The suspect, a 36-year-old male from Marina, resisted arrest during the incident. The suspect was transported and booked into Monterey County Jail.

Pacific Grove: Officers were dispatched to a domestic disturbance on Ocean View Boulevard. Both parties, a 23-year-old male and a 19-year-old female, were arrested for numerous felony charges, including assault with a deadly weapon, domestic violence and vandalism.

Pacific Grove: Fallen bicyclist on public property on Ocean View Boulevard.

Carmel Valley: A structure fire was reported on Via Contenta.

FRIDAY, JULY 5

Big Sur: Deputies responded to a report of a male who left a hotel on Highway 1 without paying.

Carmel area: Missing person report on Yankee Point Drive. Last area seen was close proximity to the ocean. A search was conducted via air, water and terrain. (The victim was found deceased the next day.)

Pacific Grove: Vehicles on Fifth Street and on Ocean View Boulevard were marked for 72-hour parking.

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



The gavel falls

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

July 18 — Judge Pamela L. Butler sentenced Fresno resident Joshua Haastrup, 22, to 10 years in state prison after he was convicted of one count of human trafficking of a minor, one count of assault on a peace officer, and one count of felony evading. This is Haastrup's first felony conviction. In addition to the prison sentence, Haastrup will have to register as a sex offender for the remainder of his life.

On Aug. 11, 2023, the Salinas Police Department received information from the FBI that Haastrup, who was wanted for human trafficking of a minor out of Las Vegas, was at a local motel. Officers and detectives set up surveillance at the motel and located Haastrup. Jane Doe, a 15-year-old, was seen exiting Haastrup's vehicle. Officers attempted a traffic stop on Haastrup; however, he purposefully and violently rammed the front end of two separate patrol vehicles as he recklessly evaded law enforcement. Haastrup reached speeds of 80 mph through residential areas of Salinas before officers were able to stop and arrest him.

Doe was contacted by officers and was determined to be the same minor Haastrup had allegedly sexually exploited in Las Vegas. Evidence from a cell phone taken during the investigation confirmed that Haastrup had sexually exploited Doe in the City of Salinas during at least four separate trips between June 1 and Aug. 11, 2023.

It was through successful interagency collaboration that Haastrup was located and arrested within hours of receiving information that he was in Monterey County. Specifically, Salinas Police Detectives Evan Adams, Nicolas Reyes, Officer Isidro Medrano, and Sergeant Gerardo Magana assisted in this process.

Additionally, Haastrup's conviction of the egregious crime of human trafficking was made possible by the diligence of Detective Jared Dominci, assisted by Detective Sergeant Kendall Gray and detectives at Las Vegas Police Department and District Attorney Investigator Pablo Andrade. Jane Doe was supported by victim witness program coordinator Alma Sanchez.

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County workers stayed up late to fix CrowdStrike security snafu

By CHRIS COUNTS

WHILE MILLIONS of computers running Microsoft Windows were disrupted last week by a bug in a software security update, Monterey County staff were working behind the scenes to avert any impacts to employees’ devices.

The worldwide disruption, which was caused by a faulty software update by internet security company CrowdStrike, grounded commercial flights and temporarily shut down banking and healthcare services and 911 emergency call centers. Hackers, meanwhile, targeted CrowdStrike customers. Some have called it the largest IT failure ever.

The county’s information technology department learned about the threats around 9 p.m. Thursday. Mostly, workstations and local servers were affected by the update. The county’s phone, accounting and 911 systems were not impacted — but according to county communications director Nick Pasculli, “Natividad Medical Center experienced minor disruptions in the early morning hours” Friday that were “promptly resolved.”

Desktops, servers impacted

“We were notified very quickly because some of the work stations were being impacted,” Chatham said. “The on-call engineer was able to do some triage and noticed that this was not just work station-related — we could see some of our servers were also being affected. “

Employees swung into action and began a process to “remediate” 5,400 computers, including servers, to make them safe.

“There were quite a few people who

were up for few hours,” Monterey County Chief Information Officer Eric Chatham reported. “I appreciate all of the staff — everyone leaned in on this event to make sure we were up and running.”

He also described what the fixes entailed.

“Each device that showed a blue screen had to be checked,” county spokesperson Maia Carroll explained. “We deleted the problematic CrowdStrike file and then installed the updated version.”

According to Chatham, the CrowdStrike software “protects us from the bad actors out there.” “It keeps our devices from getting impacted by ransomware or

malicious code,” he said.

Chatham also noted that “a lot of individuals out there are exploiting this event.”

‘This will happen again’

Chatham said it’s just a matter of time before a similar scenario strikes again, and the county needs to be prepared for it.

“This was outside of our control,” he added. “There was nothing happening unusual that we could prepare for. It impacted all devices that were running Windows operating systems and CrowdStrike security management products. This was a global event — this will happen again.”

County spokesperson Maia Carroll complimented the county’s information technology department for its quick response.

“This really is a testament to the work that ITD has done to make sure that should something happen, there’s a team ready to roll out, and you know what to do,” she added.

“This was a global event — this will happen again.”

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Nacimiento-Fergusson to reopen in September

By CHRIS COUNTS

CLOSED TO the public for more than three years after sustaining massive damage from mudslides that followed the Dolan Fire of 2020, Nacimiento-Fergusson Road is expected to be open again soon. “It is our plan to reopen the road sometime between mid- to late-September,” said Fin Eifert, top ranger in the Monterey District.

While much work has been done to open the route — which winds its way about 20 miles between Highway 1 and Fort Hunter Liggett — there’s still more to do. Thirteen miles of pavement is closed. “There remain numerous hazard trees along the road,” he reported.

Eifert said he plans to meet with the Monterey County officials Aug. 1 to assess the road and “discuss signage needs.” He also noted that the reopening of the road could be pushed back due to unseen circumstances, such as a new wildfire.

In 2022, Congressman Jimmy Panetta announced that the project would receive \$12.6 million in federal taxpayers’ funds.

First phase done in June

In June, the United States Forest Service reported that the project’s first phase was completed, and the final phase would focus on removing hazardous trees and installing new signs. The report also noted that the project received nearly \$8 million from the Federal Highway Administration to pay for “replacing culverts, slope stabilization, clearing rockslides and reinforcing road support structures.”

The road was badly damaged by mudslides that arrived

in early 2021. In early February, a helicopter tour of the road revealed 18 places where there was significant storm damage.

With its many sharp turns, Nacimiento-Fergusson Road is either dangerous or fun to drive on, depending upon your perspective. It also provides motorists with an alternate route to reach Big Sur’s south coast when access is cut off due to slides along Highway 1.

For now, the road is only open to residents.



PHOTO/USFS

A culvert has been installed along Nacimiento Fergusson Road at one of 18 sites damaged by mudslides.

Rocky Creek work will bring overnight delays

By CHRIS COUNTS

OVER THE next two weeks, emergency repairs to Highway 1 at Rocky Creek in Big Sur will cause lengthy delays at night and, in some cases, complete closures, Caltrans reported.

The delays and closures won’t impact motorists on the weekends.

“Overnight work will be scheduled five nights a week, Sunday through Thursday night, on a consistent schedule from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.,” the state roads agency announced. “No work will take place on Friday or Saturday nights.”

From July 28 through Aug. 1, motorists can anticipate “intermittent delays of up to one hour.” From Aug. 4-8, travelers “will encounter a full overnight closure.”

Kevin Drabinski of Caltrans said the overnight closures are necessary “when equipment and machinery are required to work across the full width of the project area throughout the entire overnight shift.”

Motorists should not expect to encounter any significant delays at Rocky Creek during the daytime.

“Daytime repair work will take place in the Rocky

Construction is happening Sundays through Thursdays

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Statewide car-theft ring busted

By MARY SCHLEY

THREE MEN allegedly responsible for stealing more than \$600,000 worth of muscle cars in 13 thefts that occurred in eight counties, including Monterey, have been charged by the California Attorney General’s special prosecution unit, Attorney General Rob Bonta said this week following their scheduled court appearances in El Dorado County.

“Between July 2023 and March 2024, the suspects participated in a large-scale conspiracy to steal expensive high-performance vehicles in El Dorado, Kings, Monterey, Riverside, San Benito, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara and Tulare counties,” Bonta’s office said.

Following a Visalia Police Department investigation and the arrests of Jesse Venegas, Nathan Olivas and Christopher Anderson, the California Department of Justice’s special prosecution section filed a complaint against them in El Dorado County Superior Court in May for felony conspiracy, vehicle theft, possession of stolen vehicles, vandalism, arson, receipt of stolen property and operating a chop shop.

GPS tracker

The special prosecution section “investigates and prosecutes complex criminal cases related to financial, securities, mortgage and environmental fraud; public corruption, including violations of California’s Political Reform Act; ‘underground economy’ offenses, including tax and revenue fraud and counterfeiting; and human trafficking.”

According to the 26-page complaint, the investigation revealed the three men embarked on a months-long spree in which they would identify cars they wanted to steal, smash their windows, use

aftermarket key fobs and programmers to get them running, and then post on social media offering the cars for just a few thousand dollars each.

They took mostly Dodge Challengers and Chargers, along with a Jeep, and predominantly targeted dealerships, especially after police took advantage of an aftermarket GPS tracker to find a car that had been taken from a Morgan Hill resident last October. Officers discovered Venegas’ stash of stolen vehicles at a friend’s house in the Fresno County community of Laton, the complaint says. He was paying the person \$200 to \$300 per month to keep the cars until they could be sold or parted out.

Victory Toyota

Venegas was generally the instigator, with help from the other two, and occasionally the stolen cars were used in street takeovers before being sold or destroyed. After a street race last December, Venegas crashed the Challenger he’d taken from a San Jose dealership hours earlier and then set it on fire. “Was a nice mango color,” he posted afterward, according to the complaint.

The state also alleges the three men, whose ages are not listed, are part of Gut-tahmob, “a car club believed to be involved in street takeover events, vehicle thefts, drug sales and illegal firearms trafficking.”

The local theft occurred last November, when Olivas and Venegas drove to Victory Toyota in Seaside and stole a black Dodge Challenger at around 2:45 a.m., according to the state’s complaint. A half-hour later, Venegas posted video of himself in the car and commented that he “split my hand pretty good” breaking into it.

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Lawsuit over transformer explosion

By KELLY NIX

THE SEWER agency behind an important wastewater reclamation project has filed suit against a contractor alleging that equipment it installed for a water purification system exploded in late 2022, but that the company has refused to replace the machinery or provide reimbursement.

In a June 26 lawsuit, Monterey One Water contends that the company it hired in 2017 to build its advanced water purification facility project, Anderson Pacific Engineering Construction, installed an Eaton brand, 21-kilovolt transformer and other equipment to be connected to PG&E's system.

But in October 2022, Monterey One Water alleges, the equipment caused a critical component failure that led to “an electrical explosion that damaged the transformer” and caused a loss of power to the water purification system.

The failure forced Monterey One to set up a trailer-mounted, less powerful generator so it could resume water treatment operations “at a reduced production capacity.”

“An Eaton technician inspected the failed equipment and made temporary

repairs” so it could be put back into service, the sewer agency’s lawsuit says, “but the technician emphasized that the repairs were temporary and would not work indefinitely.”

The fix doesn’t allow Monterey One to use the transformer to its full potential, and “due to the unreliability of the temporary repairs, MIW has been forced to ensure temporary power is available at all times,” according to the agency, which is being represented by San Diego attorneys James Gilpin and Whitney Saraka.

Expensive replacement

Monterey One contends that it notified the Santa Clara-based Anderson Pacific Engineering that it needed to replace the defective equipment, but that the contractor has “failed and refused to do so.”

The sewer agency ended up buying a new transformer but said it expects to incur additional costs to install it.

“Monterey One Water sent a letter to Anderson Pacific Engineering Construction demanding reimbursement” for the replacement equipment, or for the company to procure a replacement, but the company “has failed and refused” to do so, the complaint says.

Newsom wants homeless camps cleared

By KELLY NIX

ABOUT A month after the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that cities have the right to enforce rules banning people from sleeping on public property, Gov. Gavin Newsom ordered state agencies to “urgently address homeless encampments while respecting the dignity and safety” of the unhoused.

Newsom’s executive order follows the Supreme Court’s ruling in Grants Pass, which overturned a U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals decision that prevented cities from banning people from sleeping outside because it violated the Eighth Amendment’s cruel and unusual punishment clause.

Homeless encampments on public property in the Monterey Peninsula that agencies cleared during the last few years, are popping back up, including in Monterey, Seaside and Marina, and it appears there are no immediate plans to remove them.

“This executive order directs state agencies to move urgently to address dangerous encampments while supporting and assisting the individuals living in them — and provides guidance for cities and counties to do the same,” Newsom said. “The state has been hard at work to address this crisis on our streets. There are no more excuses. It’s time for everyone to do their part.”

address the housing crisis in California, which has about 30 percent of the nation’s homeless people, by some estimates.

The \$24 billion spent at several state agencies helps provide services and support for people living in encampments, he explained. And the investments “helped lift more than 165,000 people out of homelessness and into interim or permanent housing,” Newsom added.

Since July 2021, Newsom said, has cleared more than 11,000 encampments and has removed 248,275 cubic yards of debris on public property. Prioritizing those that pose a threat to the life, health and safety of the community,

state transportation agency Caltrans gives homeless residents advanced notice of clearance and works with local nonprofits to support those who have been displaced. Caltrans also stores personal property for at least 60 days.

Enforcing encampments has been a shell game for law enforcement, Caltrans and other agencies. In late 2021, after dozens of homeless tents had popped up on the Peninsula, Newsom ordered Caltrans to clear them and others throughout the state.

Another trash-filled homeless enclave in Sand City, a stone’s throw from Highway 1, was cleared by a contractor hired by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County and in late 2023, with Caltrans cleaning up an adjacent property at the same time.

But unhoused people continue to repopulate the areas that were cleared, many of them off Highway 1, setting up tents and other makeshift living quarters.

Several homeless people The Pine Cone spoke to in 2021 and 2023 said they wanted to remain homeless, including some who have lived on the streets for decades.

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Monterey busy on ‘Daylighting Bill’

By MARY SCHLEY

MONTEREY PUBLIC Works officials are reviewing all projects in the design phase or under construction to ensure they comply with a state law prohibiting parking near intersections and crosswalks, the city announced, and efforts have begun to make sure every intersection in the city meets the new requirements, too. The state law, AB 413, took effect in January, and while some cities where parking is a constant problem — like Carmel — are slow to implement it, others have jumped right in.

“Daylighting is the practice of removing parking spaces near crosswalks and intersection to improve public safety by increasing the visibility of pedestrians and bicyclists for drivers,” Monterey officials explained. “Some residents may have already started seeing the red zones being added to streets in their neighborhoods.”

‘Reviewing all projects’

Many cities across the country use daylighting to ensure views of pedestrians and cyclists are not blocked from motorists by parked cars, according to the city, because doing so is safer and makes it easier for cars to pass through the intersections.

“The City of Monterey Public Works Department is reviewing all projects in design and construction phases to ensure that they are consistent with the new state

standard and will then address existing marked parking spaces to ensure they are in compliance,” the city said. AB 413 does not require any marking in the areas where motorists are not allowed to park.

Every intersection with curbs is affected, though some already have signs and red zones to keep people from parking too close. The law allows parking enforcement officers to cite people parked in those marked areas, but officers can only warn those whose cars are parked in violation of the law in unmarked areas until Jan. 1, 2025. After that, they can be cited.

In May, Carmel Police Chief Paul Tomasi and assistant city administrator Brandon Swanson discussed the city’s desire to minimize the law’s impact by “doing as much reconfiguring as possible with the bigger goal of losing as few parking spaces as we can while meeting the law, but also with the intent of making downtown safe.”

The law provides some exceptions, including designating spaces close to crosswalks as commercial loading zones, which are typically limited to 20 minutes of parking, and using the spaces for parking bicycles and motorized scooters. Both options require ordinances identifying the specific spaces where those rules apply.

Tomasi and Swanson said at that meeting that they plan to report to the council and bring the city into compliance before the law becomes enforceable next year.

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part of Teach for America.

Buder graduated at the top of his MBA class at Stanford, holds a master’s in public administration from Harvard and has a Bachelor of Arts from Duke. In addition to his recent appointment to the forest and beach commission, he’s on the boards of the Carmel Residents Association and the Big Sur Land Trust and serves as board chair of the Monterey County Housing Authority.

Top priorities

“There are a number of challenges that I’d like to tackle as a member of the council — budget pressures, our ailing forest, design guidelines — but our most pressing challenge over the next four years will be to navigate new state housing laws in a way that strengthens our community while preserving our village character,” he said. “I have extensive experience in real estate finance and housing,

and I think I would bring a valuable skillset and perspective to the council.”

Many well-known community members signed his petition to run, including former Mayor Ken White, Mayor Dave Potter and wife Janine Chicourrat, Bill and Nancy Twomey of the CRA, resident Kristi Reimers, forest and beach commissioner Kelly Brezoczky, and city council members Bobby Richards, Jeff Baron and Karen Ferlito.

Planning commissioner Bob Delves, who announced in May that he would be running for council, returned his signed nomination papers to Carmel City Hall Monday and had them verified by the county the same day.

Signers listed on his forms include community activities commissioner Donna Jett, restaurateur Ken Spilfogel, former councilwoman Karen Sharp, Monterey County Superior Court Judge Julie Culver, planning commissioners Stephanie Locke and Michael LePage, and residents Bob and Allyson Kavner, Shirley Moon, Christy Hollenbeck and Tasha Witt.

Danny Hala, who owns an Ocean Avenue clothing store with his wife, returned his papers Friday and qualified for the council race that same day.



Hans Buder



Danny Hala

Among his signers are Spilfogel, photographer Manny Espinoza, restaurant owner Shaheen Alnuaimi, Meli Czerwinski, Chez Noir chef/owner Jonny Black, one-time council candidate Jack Pappadeas and resident Ali McDaniel.

Last week, mayoral candidate Dale Byrne and council candidate David O’Neil were the first and second people, respectively, to secure their spots in the Nov. 5 election.

Mayor Dave Potter and city councilman Jeff Baron, who hopes to unseat him, pulled their papers but have yet to return them. City clerk Nova Romero said Thursday she expects to see them submitted to her next week.

Former forest and beach commissioner Brian Sours picked up his paperwork for the council race June 18 but has not brought it back. Sours, 66, is not registered with any particular political party, according to the elections department.

Because Richards is not running for reelection, the filing period for the council races will be open until Aug. 14, while the window for the mayoral race closes Aug. 9 unless Potter changes his mind and decides not to run.



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“The thumping drum and bellowing tuba were all new for us,” he recalled. “That’s when I knew something special was happening.”

After joining the procession, Krause watched as it halted traffic. “Car traffic came to a stop as the band and the wedding party paraded down the street, into the Mission Ranch parking lot, down to the sheep field, and then up to the lawn next to the restaurant.”

On the lawn, they played a set of marching-band tunes.

“The band members had fun hats and wacky dance moves that made the audience cheer and laugh,” Krause recalled. “The groom pretended to be a musical conductor, waving his hands with the music. At one point, all Cal Berkeley alumni were invited to join the band and the wedding couple on the lawn at Mission Ranch for a group photo.”

Krause said he was one of a handful of locals who turned out to see what all the commotion was about. He also noted that the sheep nearby didn’t appear too disturbed by all the hoopla. “They stared but didn’t seem to mind,” he added.

Couple were Cal grads

The newlyweds were Kate Swanson and Jackson Durham, both University of California graduates. They didn’t respond to queries from The Pine Cone about their unique wedding, possibly because they’re on their honeymoon. But according to the marching band’s Christina Yao, Swanson comes from a family of Cal grads, and she reached out to the band about playing for her wedding. “She loves the band and asked us to come,” Yao said.

About 30 members of the band — there are about 220 musicians on its roster — made the trip south from Berkeley to Carmel Saturday.

One of those students was Angelo Frisina, who plays tenor saxophone when she’s not studying. Frisina said it was no easy challenge bringing together enough musicians to assemble a band.

“During the summer, performances like these can be tricky if we don’t have enough members staying in the area, but we pulled together for it and had a great time,” she explained.

“The wedding attendees were so excited to see us and seemed very appreciative,” Frisina said. “It was such a pleasure to experience the beauty of Carmel while playing music for our wonderful Cal alumni.”

Surprise to everyone

Also chiming in was Robert Young, who plays the snare drum and led the performance Saturday. He suggested the band’s appearance at the wedding “was a surprise to everyone other than the bride and groom.”

“When the band arrived, we lined up in the courtyard outside of where the ceremony was being held, so when the ceremony was over, the bride and groom, along with all the guests, walked out to find us lined up,” he said.

Erik Headley, who leads the band’s fundraising efforts and played saxophone Sunday, told the newspaper he really enjoyed the wedding party’s energy during the band’s performance. “They were singing along and dancing,” he added.

Almost entirely run by students — in contrast to other school bands — the group has performed at sporting events and social gatherings since 1891, playing campus favorites like “Fight for California” and “Make Way for the Bear.”

Its members play an assortment of instruments, including piccolos, clarinets, alto saxophones, tenor saxophones, trumpets, mellophones, trombones, baritones, sousaphones, glockenspiels, snare drums, tenor drums, bass drums and cymbals. Everything you need, in short, for a really cool marching band.



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Bach Fest picks up \$500,000 donation

By CHRIS COUNTS

AN ANONYMOUS donor who volunteered for the Carmel Bach Festival office three decades ago has given it \$500,000. The person was identified by the festival only as “a passionate supporter of the arts and a dedicated patron.”

Executive director Nathan Lutz called the gift “a testament to the truly remarkable Carmel Bach Festival community,” while board president Cyril Yansouni said it represents “an investment in the long-term sustainability of the festival,” as well as being “a beautiful, enduring reminder of our deep and unique connections with our musicians, our volunteers, and our patrons.”

The money will be placed in the festival’s Founders Fund, which was established in 2017 to mark the event’s 80th anniversary — and secure the event’s “long-term financial success.”

To honor festival founders Dene Denny and Hazel Watrous, local philanthropist Roberta Bialek Elliott seeded the fund with

\$2.3 million.

The donation comes just weeks after the festival announced it had received \$350,000 from the estate of a Big Sur artist Emile Norman, who died in 2009 at 91.

Two days to go

Now in its 87th year, the 2024 Bach Festival wraps up this weekend.

Friday’s highlights includes a Baroque and Classical Academy Showcase (Carmel Presbyterian Church at 1 p.m.), a choral performance of David Lang’s “Little Match Girl Passion” (Sunset Center at 1 p.m.), a celebration of early 20th century French composer Lili Boulanger by a piano trio (All Saints’ Episcopal Church at 3 p.m.), “Tower Music: Ancient, Old & New” (6:45 p.m. on the Sunset Center Terrace) and “Grieg, Mazzoli and Beethoven” (Sunset Center at 7:30 p.m.).

Saturday’s highlights include a Young Artists Showcase (Sunset Center at 2 p.m.) and a “Best of the Fest” finale (Sunset Center at 7:30 p.m.). For tickets and more details, visit bachfestival.org



The Carmel Bach Festival recently received a \$500,000 gift from an anonymous donor. Now in its 87th year, the festival wraps up this weekend with a series of performances, and tickets are still available.

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Reminder: don't fall for scammers

By KELLY NIX

MONTEREY COUNTY prosecutors are warning residents to be wary of people who are out to steal your hard-earned dollars impersonating police officers and other law enforcement agents.

Similar warnings about scams have been offered practically since the internet was invented, but since people keep falling for them, the warnings keep coming.

Monterey County deputy district attorney Emily Hickok said this week that the illegal schemes take various forms, but they're all designed to trick people into giving them money.

While some of the scams are so obvious it's hard to believe anybody would fall for them, some people do — especially elderly people who feel vulnerable.

“One we've seen recently is scammers contacting people over the phone or internet impersonating federal agents and telling people not to contact their local police, but that ‘you might be suspected of a crime,’ and you need give them money so they can find the real person involved,” Hickok told journalists during a news briefing Wednesday.

Another scam perpetuated through text messages, voicemail and the internet involves criminals posing as employees of the Internal Revenue Service who tell prospective victims that they're behind in their tax payments and they need to pay up immediately to avoid fines or jail.

Yet another involves someone requesting funds so they can bail a friend or

relative out of jail. Sometimes scammers pose as relatives of the people they're calling in such a scenario.

“In all of these circumstances, scammers try to pressure their victims into immediately divulging personal information or providing bank information, sending funds or gift cards to get money,” Hickok explained.

“You should be skeptical of any types of calls like this. Government officials will not call you and demand immediate payment of money,” she added.

‘Hang up’

She added that if people feel pressured, they should hang up the phone, or if it's internet related, ask law enforcement or friends and family if the call is legitimate.

“If you are contacted by someone who says they're law enforcement, it's fine for you to ask for that person's name, title and agency, and then you can independently” find their information and contact them directly, Hickok said.

Trying to recover stolen money can be next to impossible, but Hickok urged people to call police or the DA's office's consumer protection unit if they've fallen victim to such fraud.

Victims can call the DA's office at (831) 647-7770. They can also fill out a consumer complaint form on the district attorney's office's website at shorturl.at/f490q and email it to consumercomplaints@countyofmonterey.gov or mail it to the DA's office at 1200 Aguajito Road, Suite 301, Monterey, CA 93940.

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P.G. SCHOOLS GET NEW PRINCIPALS

By KELLY NIX

THE SUPERINTENDENT of Pacific Grove Unified School District last week announced the final addition in a major staff changeup that includes two new principals.

PGUSD superintendent Linda Adamson told staff and parents that the school board Monday appointed Emily Tsai Brownfield as the new principal of Robert Down Elementary School. Tsai Brownfield has 26 years of experience in education and most recently worked at North Monterey County Unified School District.

She replaces Sean Keller, who is now the assistant principal of P.G. High and P.G. Community High, the district’s alternative school.

The district announced in May that Greg O’Meara, who spent the past five years as principal of Soquel High, would take the top job at P.G. high schools. He will replace Lito Garcia, who announced his retirement in December.

‘Achievement gaps’

Adamson lauded the new principals, saying they have the expertise and vision to build on the successes of Robert Down Elementary and the high schools.

Both bring with them innovative ideas and fresh perspectives and are experienced in effective strategies that track student progress and close achievement gaps, “all with the goal of promoting academic success for all students, an area in which they excelled in their former roles,” she told

The Pine Cone this week.

The superintendent said Keller “brings with him a solid foundation of rich relationships and high school knowledge that will support both our PGHS and the P.G. Community High School communities incredibly well.”

Keller replaces Larry Haggquist, who was selected to be the district’s executive director of educational services. Adamson said Haggquist’s credentials make him the perfect fit for the position, with his master’s

in curriculum and instruction and doctorate in educational leadership.

The restructuring also includes former curriculum director Buck Roggeman’s transition to chief human resources officer. Roggeman has spent two dozen years working at the school district.

“He brings with him a strong understanding of PGUSD’s needs and has developed a highly positive reputation among our entire community,” Adamson said.

The first day of school is Aug. 6.

Lake San Antonio reopens after die-off

By CHRIS COUNTS

NEARLY TWO weeks after it was closed because tens of thousands of dead fish washed ashore, Lake San Antonio reopened to the public Wednesday.

While water testing was inconclusive, Monterey County officials said that an algae bloom was the likely cause of the die-off. “A possible cause of the incident could be due to a natural algae phenomenon spurred on by high heat, which lowered the dissolved oxygen concentrations, causing the fish to suffocate,” according to the county report.

It’s safe for people to splash around in the lake again, reported the county’s chief of parks, Bryan Flores. That’s good news for locals and visitors, with temperatures heading into triple digits this week.

“The park closure was necessary for

this prolonged period of time to allow parks staff to go through cleanup activities as well as get back sampling data,” Flores said. “We can definitely say that this die-off was not attributed to any type of toxin, bacteria or pollutant that could be harmful to human health.”

Caution needed

The die-off was first observed July 5 when thousands of dead fish began washing ashore, including bass, catfish, crappie, carp and trout. “Out of an abundance of caution,” the park was closed July 10.

The incident came just eight months after state fish and wildlife stocked Lake San Antonio with an estimated 30,000 rainbow trout — for the first time in more than 40 years. Lopez said the reservoir plays a key role providing summertime water recreation for South County residents.

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Packer to talk future of healthcare

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE FUTURE of healthcare on the Monterey Peninsula will be the topic of the Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Business Insights Breakfast Tuesday, July 30, from 7:30 to 9 a.m. in the Ferrante Room on the top floor of the Monterey Marriott on Calle Principal.

Dr. Steven Packer, who has been president and CEO of Montage Health and Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula since January 1999, recently announced he'll be retiring.

At the chamber event, he'll present, "Monterey Peninsula Healthcare — What Does the Future Hold?"

"During his 25-year tenure as CEO, Packer has overseen the implementation of numerous initiatives to improve and expand access to care, including the

hospital's Pavilions Project adding 120 new patient rooms, development of the Carol Hatton Breast Care Center, construction of the Ryan Ranch Outpatient Campus, and the creation of Montage Medical Group," organizers said.

"Under his leadership, Montage Health has also expanded access to essential services with the opening of wellness centers in Marina and Salinas, three urgent-care clinics, the creation of Monterey County's first Medicare Advantage Program, Aspire Health Plan, and, most recently, the opening of a state-of-the-art campus for its youth mental health program, Ohana."

The cost to attend the chamber's quarterly breakfast is \$45 for members and \$65 for everyone else.

For more information or to register, visit montereychamber.com or call (831) 648-5350.

Computer prof on perils of AI

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

A COMPUTER expert will present a talk on the promise and peril of artificial intelligence at Congregation Beth Israel Sunday evening, and the free event is open to all. Mihai Nadin, a member of the congregation, is planning to "stimulate a commonsense dialog on anticipatory systems, artificial intelligence and a new perspective of science as a grounding for a sustainable future."

Nadin is a professor emeritus of computer science and interactive media at the University of Texas in Dallas, where he was also director of the Institute for Research in Anticipatory Systems.

He studied at the Polytechnic University of Bucharest, the University of Bucharest and the Ludwig-Maximilian University in Munich and has received several post-doctorate degrees.

Nadin has lectured all over the world, consulted for major companies and has published nearly three dozen books and more than 200 journal articles. His newest book is "Disrupt Science: The Future Matters," and he "argues in favor of a science that empowers human beings instead of pushing humanity more into machine dependency and even machine slavery," according to organizers.

"What became known as the Nadin Law states that reactions to breakdowns are by many orders of magnitude more expensive and less effective than prevention based on anticipatory actions," they continued. "AI is here to stay, but we are not prepared for it either mentally or emotionally."

Nadin lives in Carmel Valley with his wife, Elvira. His talk will take place Sunday, July 28, at 7:30 p.m. Congregation Beth Israel is located at 5716 Carmel Valley Road.

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PASTOR

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full council, which last October voted to void the HRB’s approval and impose additional requirements, including a new “preservation buffer” around the wall and community room.

No garage

As a result, Pastor and his architectural team headed by Jun Sillano produced yet another iteration, this time proposing approximately 12,700 square feet spread across five separate buildings, plus an 850-square-foot utility basement. The complex would contain eight apartments and 5,100 square feet of retail space divided among a half-dozen storefronts.

The proposal no longer calls for underground parking and, citing constraints created by the required preservation barrier, would include a dozen onsite parking spaces, 10 of which would be accommodated by car lifts, in a covered area at the back of the complex.

Based on zoning and other requirements, associate planner Evan Kort said, the development must contain 17 parking spaces, so Pastor would be required to pay money into the city’s in-lieu parking fund to make up for the shortfall.

The first design in 2019 was envisioned in the Mediterranean style, and the proposed complex retains that motif. According to Sillano, the “intent is to respect and preserve the historical village character.”

“The proposed project will have facades that will reminisce traditional architecture of the period through use of traditional elements such as authentic clay tile roofs, wood corbels and beams, decorative wrought iron railings, limestone floors, cantilevered features, window projections and the like,” Sillano continued. “The proposed project’s scale and form will complement the rhythm of structures in the immediate vicinity through the use proportioned storefront fenestrations for the commercial areas and properly scaled in the apartments.”

And the buildings’ various heights and roof forms will contribute to the complex’s “village feel.”

While Kort recommended approval of the project, he disagreed that the property’s five buildings are separate, as is required by the code.

“Staff does not concur that the buildings, as illustrated in the plans, represent five separate structures,” he said. “The commission has previously interpreted that separate buildings could be connected with a second-floor egress balcony; however, the proposed buildings share a common covered roof connection.”

Sillano told the commission the proposed project is “way under allowable floor area and allowable lot coverage.”

He also said the design took the Stonehouse Terrace complex to the east into account. “We all know the primary façade to Stonehouse Terrace is on San Carlos,” he said, adding that the windows on the east side of the Pastor complex would be offset so they don’t look into the Stonehouse Terrace apartments.

Several speakers at the July 10 meeting and others who submitted letters objected to the project based on its size, architectural style, lack of required parking and other issues.

“If you can develop a property from lot line to lot line and just pay an in-lieu parking fee, we’re going to have a problem in the future,” predicted restaurateur Rich Pepe.

‘In a cave’

Kristi Reimers, whose family owns the Stonehouse Terrace, has objected to the proposed development since the beginning and said her building, designed by architect Olaf Dahlstrand, is nearly 50 years old and will soon be designated historically significant. She worried Pastor’s plans would deprive its upstairs apartments of sunlight and views to the west.

“I can’t express the level of pride I have in our building. I live there and have a business there,” Reimers said. “I learned to have great pride in our building from my father, and seeing what may happen to what he loved so much has filled me with so much sadness. I don’t want to live in a cave.”

Lifelong resident Cindy Lloyd criticized the design for maximizing the space.

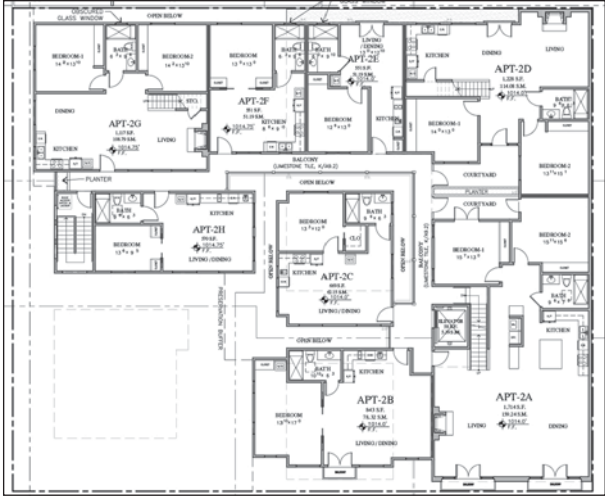
“Filling in each available piece of open space is not the Carmel way,” she said.

“The planning commission has the ability to maintain Carmel’s character or to change it. Rules, policies and an indefinable sense of Carmel’s character guide you.”

‘No respect’

Planning commissioner Robert Delves described the complex as “massive” and said it would overwhelm the adjacent historic buildings.

“You’ve shown no respect for the neighbor behind you,” he said. “A wall 4 feet from the property line that completely eliminates not just the view but sunlight



SITE PLAN/JUN A. SILLANO, AIA

A site plan for the JB Pastor project shows two-story buildings clustered to the south to avoid a “preservation buffer” around the community room and a decorative wall.

and space — it’s disrespectful to your neighbors.”

He opposed the idea of Pastor writing a check to make up for the parking the complex wouldn’t provide. “This building needs to park itself,” he said. “You’re using neighboring a historic resource as an excuse for providing no parking.”

Delves suggested the developer consider deed-restricted affordable housing, which requires fewer parking spaces by law.

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PLAN

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“I think you have a lot of work to do on this one,” he concluded.

Commissioner Erin Allen said she shared people’s concerns about parking, the size and the spatial relationships between the buildings and the neighboring properties. “It doesn’t appear to be a thoughtful way to put a building in our village,” she said.

Commissioner Stefan Karapetkov said he appreciates that the plans call for residential and commercial uses and that he has nothing against its architectural style.

But he objected to its mass and bulk and doubted the parking setup would work, and he said he’d like to see pedestrian access from Seventh, not just from Dolores.

Commission chair Michael LePage expressed discomfort at determining the proposed project’s impacts on nearby historic resources and asked Sillano to create a model to help with that assessment.

“The building has a more than significant impact on the residential spaces of the Stonehouse Terrace,” he said, adding that he was moved by Reimers’ emotional testimony.

“I would feel the same myself,” he said. “I was shocked when I went there and saw what the impacts would be.”

LePage also suggested Pastor and his team again consider underground parking but said he was fine with the Mediterranean style, since it would blend well with the area.

The commission unanimously voted to ask for a redesign based on the feedback. Commissioner Stephanie Locke was absent.

‘Magic gummies’ contained banned drug

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE OWNER of a Monterey shop has agreed to pay \$25,000 in civil penalties for illegally selling tobacco products to minors and for selling other products containing psilocybin, a hallucinogenic, according to the Monterey County District Attorney’s Office. Prosecutors said this week that Gamal Kalini, who owns Rubystar Gems & Gifts on Munras, also sold brass knuckles, which are illegal.

Two sales clerks in 2022 and 2023 were charged with misdemeanors for selling tobacco products to minors, the DA’s office

said.

Recently, the Monterey Police Department received additional complaints from parents alleging their kids were able to buy tobacco products from Rubystar. The DA’s office investigated and found the shop also sold flavored tobacco vapes, which are illegal to sell in California. The vape products sold by Rubystar included flavors designed to appeal to youth, such as “watermelon sour peach” and “vanilla ice cream.”

Investigators also found that Rubystar was selling packaged “magic gummies” in wrapping shaped like a mushroom that a clerk described as “psychedelic.”



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It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Jay Humes who left us on July 7, 2024. He made his retirement home in Monterey and enjoyed all the beauty of the peninsula.

Jay loved fishing on his boat on the Monterey Bay, playing golf on the incredible courses, growing tomatoes and cruising in his '51 Buick with his dog Cody around the peninsula. He participated in the Rock and Rod Car Show and the Monterey Fourth of July Parade.

He was born in Vallejo, California and raised his family in Campbell California.

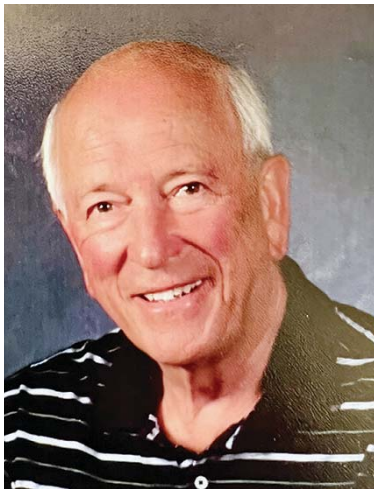
He is survived by his wife, Kathy; daughters, Jody Humes (Steve), Emmy Frankos (Paul) and grandchildren, Jack, Luke, Jessica and Alexa. He is also survived by his brother, Ernie Humes (Margo) and their family and sisters, Melissa Humes and JoAna Marvin.

A special thank you for the wonderful and kind care of the doctors and nurses at CHOMP.



DR. H. REID WAGSTAFF

Dr. H. Reid Wagstaff passed away peacefully at his home in Medina, Ohio, on May 2, 2024. Born and raised in Massachusetts, Reid attended Principia College in Elsau, Illinois, then transferred to the University of Michigan where he earned an undergraduate degree in geography. After service in the U.S. Air Force as an aerial photo interpreter, he returned to Michigan to obtain a master's degree and Ph.D. in economic geography. He sang for the Michigan Glee Club and was a member of a quartet that included Bob McGrath of Sesame Street fame. Reid met and wed Susan Smucker at Michigan, and they were married for nearly 60 years. Reid and Susi raised their four children, Wendy, Penny, Paul and Kimi, in Paradise Valley, Arizona, and Carmel, California.



Reid was a professor for 14 years at Eastern Michigan University and Arizona State University, where he taught a wide range of courses. In 1976 he started a career in the food industry with The J.M. Smucker Company, working as director of fruit procurement in Salinas, California, and eventually as vice president, government and environmental affairs.

Reid served on the boards of many organizations such as the American Frozen Food Institute, the California Strawberry Commission, Monterey County Business Council, Yosemite National Institute, International Jelly and Preserve Association, Second Harvest, and the Dean's Advisory Council, School of Art and Design, at the University of Michigan. Reid also chaired the Environmental Committee of the Grocery Manufacturer's Association. He served for 22 years as a trustee of Longyear Museum in Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts.

Together Reid and Susi supported education and the arts, establishing scholarships for University of Michigan, University of Akron, and Wayne College in Ohio; sponsoring professional musicians at the Carmel Bach Festival; and donating to the Monterey Bay Aquarium for many years. The couple were also active members of the Christian Science church in Carmel, and Reid served in many capacities including Sunday School teacher and First Reader. His hobbies included photography, gardening, sports and singing.

Reid was devoted to his family and faithfully supported his four children and nine grandchildren by attending numerous sporting events, dance productions and musical performances through the years. His keen interest in people, warm humor and humility endeared him to all who knew him. It can be said of Reid, "Well done, good and faithful servant ... enter thou into the joy of thy lord." (Matt. 25:23)

Reid is survived by children, Wendy Easton, Paul Wagstaff and Kimi Tober; daughter-in-law, Carrie Wagstaff; sons-in-law, Zachary Easton, Todd Tober, and Kent Wadsworth; nine grandchildren, Dan, Merit, Trent, Emmi, Kip, Wyatt, Penny, Grace and Oliver; sister, Gloria Lannom; brothers-in-law, John Lannom, Timothy Smucker and Richard Smucker; and sister-in-law, Jenny Smucker. He is also survived by four nieces, two nephews, and cousins.

In accordance with Reid's wishes, there will be no public service.

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DOUGLAS HOWARD MCAULAY

Douglas Howard McAulay, 83, of Oakland, California, passed away on July 5, 2024, from cardiac arrest, at Summit Hospital in Oakland.



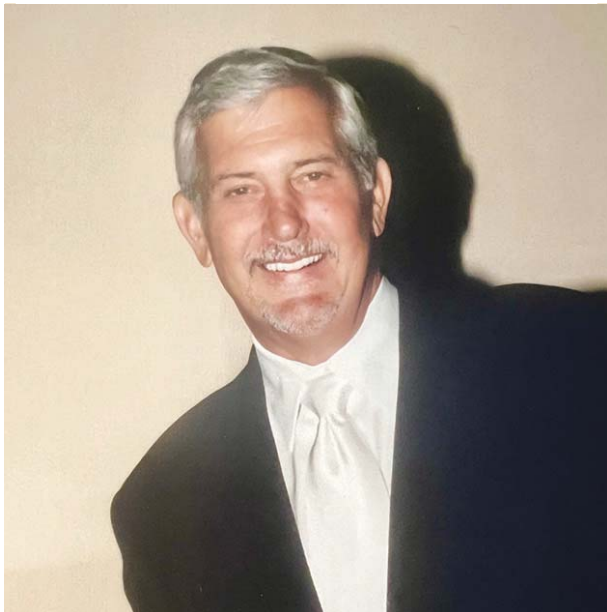
Doug was born in Monterey, California on October 9, 1940, to Howard McAulay and Helen Baugh McAulay. He grew up in Monterey and Carmel Valley, graduating from Carmel High School in 1958. Doug was senior class president and student body president his senior year. He graduated from Stanford University with further studies at Cal Berkeley. He worked for Pacific Bell and AT&T in executive positions.

Doug's paternal grandparents were Doctors Martin McAulay and Sarah Hatton McAulay; they established the first hospital in Monterey, now the Pacheco Club. Sarah was a daughter of William Hatton, Carmel Valley pioneer. Doug was very proud of his McAulay/Hatton family history in Monterey and Carmel Valley. For many years he enjoyed being the family patriarch, telling detailed and fun stories about the past.

Doug is survived by his partner, Helen DeVol; "Little brother," Martin (Eileen); son, Mike (Star); and grandchildren, Evelyn and Max. He is also survived by nephews and many dear cousins, as well as friends in the Carmel area.

Doug will always be remembered for being a kind, caring and loving person.

An inurnment will take place at a later date, at the City of Monterey Cemetery.



HAPPER CAMPBELL

January 5, 1947 – July 5, 2024

Happer Phelps Campbell died on July 5, 2024, at his home in Salinas, California. He was 77 years old. Born in 1947 to Marnya and Roland, Hap grew up in Los Gatos, California. An avid sports fan, he played football, basketball and baseball for Los Gatos High School, and then he had a short career in football for the University of the Pacific. He graduated in 1969 with a degree in business, and as a member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity. Hap joined the family business, California Roofing Company in San Jose, where he worked for more than 60 years. He was married to Victoria Van Valer for 17 years, with whom he had two daughters, Quinn and Maro. Later in life, he spent 11 years married to Toy Lord, who remained a dear friend and travel partner until his final days. He enjoyed golf, body surfing and swimming in the ocean, Tundra comics, gin and cranberry juice, and time spent with family and friends.

Hap is survived by his brother, Jack; daughters, Quinn King (Angelo) and Maro Van Valer-Campbell; granddaughter, Campbell King (age 5); and grandson, Cameron King (age 6 months).

A memorial will be held in his honor 1 to 4 p.m. Aug. 18 at Corral de Tierra Country Club in Salinas.

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JoAnn Teresa Shankle
April 27, 1944 ❖ July 19, 2024

JoAnn Shankle, 80, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, July 19, 2024.

JoAnn was born in Carmel, California, to Frank and Irene Garnero. She graduated from Monterey High School and attended MPC. On May 1, 1966, JoAnn married the love of her life, Gregory Shankle. They shared 58 years together, enjoying family life, various adventures and raising their sons, Stuart and Doug. When her sons were grown, she enjoyed working for a time at Dean Witter and A.G. Edwards as a broker assistant. JoAnn loved her home and family meant everything to her. She will always be remembered for her kindness, generosity and joyful spirit, not to be outshone by her keen sense of humor and quick wit. She could always bring laughter to just about any situation, oftentimes laughing at herself.



JoAnn will be dearly missed by many and especially her family: loving husband, Greg, sons, Stuart (Dee) and Doug (Allison); grandchildren, Tatum (Kyle), Christopher (Louisa); sister, Marge Garnero; brother, Mike Garnero (Cindy).

Honoring JoAnn’s wishes, services will be private. Anyone wishing to remember JoAnn is requested to please make a donation to your favorite charity or do a kind deed for someone in need and please remember to keep laughing. JoAnn would want that.



Jo Ann Fletcher
May 18, 1938 - June 6, 2024

Jo Ann Fletcher lived a full and vibrant 86 years. She was born in Gallup, New Mexico and later lived in both Los Angeles and San Francisco. In the late 1950s while living in San Francisco, Jo Ann worked as a carhop at Mel’s Drive-In and often came to the Monterey Peninsula for music events such as the Big Sur Folk Festival. Jo Ann grew to love the area and in 1969 she bought a parcel of land in Garrapata Canyon where she created her own personal paradise. Here she continued to live for an additional 40-plus years.

After moving to the Peninsula, Jo Ann worked as a chef at Carmel Valley’s John Gardiner’s Tennis Ranch and Nepenthe. In 1978 her recipe for Capazoni Souffle with Gooseneck Barnacle Sauce was featured in “Cows, Poets and Other Loves, A Food Book by and About the Artists.” She later became a server at Nepenthe and retired in her 60s after many fulfilling years.

Jo Ann was a nature lover and adored her pet companions. She also enjoyed gardening, taking photos, fishing, fresh flowers, attending music events, art, piggies, and most of all laughing with her loved ones.

Jo Ann is survived by her daughter, Carol; son-in-law, Billy; granddaughter, Cynthia; grandson-in-law, Marcus V and two great-grandchildren, Marcus VI and Calum.

Any donations may be made to the Big Sur Jade Festival.

DR. ALBERT BÉLA JANKO
January 21, 1934 - July 15, 2024

Dr. Albert Béla Janko died peacefully on July 15, 2024, surrounded by his family, at his home in Carmel, CA. He lived a life of service to others, guided by his unwavering faith.

Béla was born on January 21, 1934, in Budapest, Hungary, where he lived until forced to flee his homeland to Austria. He was a third-year medical student at the University of Budapest Medical School (Semmelweis University today) at the time of the 1956 Hungarian Uprising. A born leader with firm convictions to support the free pursuit of knowledge, justice and goodness, he was an influential and guiding force in the uprising — demonstrating against the Communist Party and evacuating the wounded from battle. Upon his escape, Béla helped establish the Union of Free Hungarian Students (UFHS), serving as its founding president from 1956-57. During that time, the UFHS relocated nearly 5,000 refugee students in 16 countries and secured scholarships to help them resume their studies. Led by his indomitable spirit and courage, Béla arrived in the United States in 1957 and became a naturalized US citizen, proudly flying the American flag each day.



After 32 years of exile from Hungary, Béla Janko returned to Budapest to reunite with family. In 1992, he was decorated with the Knight’s Cross of the Order of Merit by President Arpad Goncz. He returned many more times building personal and professional bridges between his mother country and adopted nation. Béla organized adventures throughout Hungary for his cherished American friends — experiences that often would be woven into his creative story-telling and charismatic toasting. He established the Visiting Medical Scholar Program with the Hungarian Medical Coalition, fostering improvements in Hungarian medicine and collaborations with colleagues in the U.S. In 2005, Dr. Janko was honored with the Semmelweis-Tauffer Memorial Award from Semmelweis University for these efforts.

With Mount Angel Abbey in Portland, Oregon, Béla established the Rev. Géza Havass Scholarship, providing the opportunity for a Hungarian seminary student to attain a Degree in Divinity in order to serve parishes throughout Hungary and help rejuvenate the once-suppressed Catholic Church.

Béla remained committed to his calling and matriculated at UCLA Medical School where he received his M.D. degree in 1959. He interned at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine and later earned a residency at Stanford University in the OB-GYN department where he served as an instructor and clinical associate professor until 1990. Drawn to the natural beauty of the Monterey Peninsula, he made it his home. He established a private gynecology, infertility and obstetrics practice which he maintained until his retirement in 2001. Dr. Janko was a respected public servant who delivered thousands of babies and cared for even more women on the Monterey Peninsula. A pioneer in osteoporosis evaluation and treatment and an equally gifted surgeon, he later expanded his practice, creating the Osteoporosis Prevention Clinic and the CO2 Laser Clinic. In 1997, he was appointed Medical Director of Comprehensive Osteoporosis Consultation Services at the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula (CHOMP) and served in that role until 2002.

During his 40+ years practicing medicine, Dr. Janko held several volunteer leadership roles at CHOMP. In addition, he served as the director of the Monterey County Medical Society; director of the Cypress Foundation; a founding member, secretary, vice president, program chairman and president of the Sierra Medical Society; president of the Local Union of American Physicians & Dentists; and a member of the California Medical Society, the American College of OB-GYNs, the American College of Surgeons, and the American Society of Reproductive Medicine.

Dr. Janko also was a published scholar and invited lecturer on a wide range of topics, even beyond medicine. He was a voracious reader, an aficionado of world history and current events, an inventor and patent holder of several medical devices, and an inspired metal sculptor.

Full of surprises, he had a penchant for entertaining, a panache for bow ties and ascots, and a compulsion to give irrepressible hugs, born out of a boundless love. Magnanimous, Béla was a champion for everyone he met and performed many “courtly acts with great grace.”

More notable than any of his accomplishments was the spirit behind them. He recognized the sacredness of each moment, and the wonder in all of creation. Béla was a devoted husband, a loving father and grandfather, and a loyal friend to all. He leaves behind a legacy of faith and love.

Béla was preceded in death by his parents, Gyula and Márta (Mikoss) Janko; an older brother, Gyula; a younger sister, Márta Janko Mamusich; and a grandson, Alden Curtis Janko. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Abigail Mead Janko; three children, Julia (Brad) Wong, Isabelle (John) Murphy, and Alexander Janko (Laura Goodenow); a sister, Marika Janko Hajas; a brother, András “Bandi” Janko; four grandchildren, Chandler, Matthew, George and Alexa; and six nieces, four nephews, 12 grandnieces, six grandnephews and one great-grandniece.

The family thanks all friends who served Dr. Janko in his last months, in particular, Hospice of the Central Coast led by the care of Rhianna Kelly, R.N. and Ileini’s Care, Inc. led by Ileini Penaloza, R.N., who was by Dr. Janko’s side with the family until the end.

A Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m., Tuesday, Aug. 13 at Carmel Mission, 3080 Rio Road, Carmel. The family asks any memorials be directed to Mount Angel Abbey at 1 Abbey Drive, Saint Benedict, Oregon 97373 or www.mountangelabbey.org/giving/make-a-gift.

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FRAUD

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investigators, according to testimony during the hearing. Kheir first said he didn't know Tamade but then admitted they'd been friends for 20 years. Tamade also received mail at Kheir's home.



Dia Kheir

They used Yafa's payment system "to run charges on Hamade's credit cards for large catering transactions that never actually occurred," Hickok explained in her Friday announcement of Kheir's conviction. "Kheir received tens of thousands of dollars from the credit card companies for these sham charges that Hamade never intended to pay for."

The proceeds of those charges were then laundered by funneling them through various financial

accounts, Hickok said during the preliminary hearing in January, according to a court reporter's transcript.

'Bust out' scheme

The duo also had a scheme to "bust out" credit cards, opening accounts with several financial institutions under various names and falsifying records to make the holders appear legitimate. In a bust-out, perpetrators "run up charges, send in a payment that turns out to be bad, and before the credit card company realizes the payment is bad, they credit your account and you run up more charges, and then the bill is never paid," Hickok explained in court. Some of them included cash advances, overpayment of utility bills and purchases of restaurant supplies.

It was one of those companies, Capital One, that contacted the DA's office to report activity consistent with such scams, according to Hickok.

She also noted that communications between Kheir and

Hamade — many of which were in Arabic and were translated for the attorneys and the court by a sergeant who is an instructor at the Defense Language Institute — referenced the various schemes, credit card offers, doctored documents and transactions.

The DA's office executed a search warrant at Kheir's Carmel Meadow apartment in December 2021 and found ample evidence, including financial records, several Social Security cards in different names, and messages between the two men. Hickok submitted 54 items as exhibits.

Paying restitution

After hearing testimony from DA investigator Justin Bell and expert witness Sandra Kyzivat, with cross examination by defense attorney John Coniglio, the judge found enough cause to take the case to trial.

But last week, Kheir decided instead to plead guilty to two of the felony counts of credit card fraud and grand

theft, and one enhancement for the total being more than \$100,000, in exchange for dismissal of the rest of the counts, including felony money laundering.

Kheir will serve up to 10 years of felony probation that could include as long as a year in jail, and he'll be required to pay state restitution fines between \$300 and \$10,000, \$10,000 in other fines, and victim restitution totaling \$77,551.16, including \$8,380.92 to Capital One, \$17,304.57 to Wells Fargo, \$29,513.45 to US Bank/Comerica, \$5,386.08 to American Express and \$16,966.14 to First National Bank of Omaha. Prior to his Oct. 17 sentencing, Kheir must deposit \$35,000 in a trust account held by an attorney, according to court documents.

Kheir is also banned from owning, borrowing or possessing any firearms, ammunition or anything else related to guns for the rest of his life.

It's unknown what will become of his restaurants. He did not respond to queries from The Pine Cone.



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DELAYS

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Creek project area behind concrete barriers known as K-rail and should not result in any significant travel delays,” Caltrans said. “Daytime travelers will continue to enjoy access through the repair site driving on the northbound lane and directed by a temporary signal system.”

Construction continues at Rocky Creek on the \$25 million effort to stabilize the outside edge of the southbound lane and ultimately build a viaduct to support Highway 1. A large chunk of pavement slipped out March 30, making the southbound lane unsafe for travel. The project’s contractor, Gordon N. Ball Inc. of Alamo, is expected to complete the work by summer 2025.

Despite the road work, Big Sur resorts and shops are open.



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Here’s the latest look from the air at Rocky Creek Bridge in Big Sur. Just south of the bridge, a contractor is building a viaduct to repair a slide that shut down Highway 1 in late March.

Preventing motorists from driving along Highway 1 between Carmel and Cambria is the Regent Slide, which is located about 5 miles south of Esalen Institute. The slide has blocked the pavement since Feb. 9. The slide is expected to be cleared by late fall.

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JOB

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“My board thinks there is too much on my plate,” he explained.

While 66-year-old Stoldt, who was hired in 2011, said he has no immediate plans to retire and would likely hold off until the State Water Resources Control Board lifts a cease-and-desist order it imposed that requires utility California American Water to reduce pumping from the Carmel River, or the effort “proves un-doable even with the Pure Water Monterey expansion.”

The district is hopeful that augmenting the Pure Water Monterey reclamation project to produce more water will compel the state board to lift the order, which has long stymied development on the Monterey Peninsula.

Stoldt also told The Pine Cone that if the district hires “the right kind of person” for the assistant general manager job, he plans on training the individual so there’s a smooth transition when he retires.

While the district is just beginning the process of researching how much an assistant would cost Peninsula taxpayers, Stoldt said the salary would likely be in the low \$200,000 range. Stoldt earned about \$323,000 from salary and benefits two years ago, according to Transparent California.

From its eminent domain legal battle to take over Cal Am’s Monterey water system, which voters directed the



Dave Stoldt

water district to do in 2018, to the efforts to expand the reclamation project, the water district has a lot going on. An assistant could help ease the burden on Stoldt.

The hire could also rile the regulars who criticize the spending habits of the water district. The agency’s \$43 million budget in fiscal year 2024-2025 is far larger than the \$18 million it was in 2019-2020. Personnel costs this fiscal year are about \$1 million more than they were in 2019-2020.

Comparing pay

During the water district board’s discussion July 15 about raising employees’ pay, Stoldt said a salary survey — which would compare what other similar agencies are paying their employees — was conducted for the first time since 2016. The results indicated that while some water district employees’ salaries were comparable with what similar agencies pay, other workers were paid less.

“We are not the most expensive, but we are certainly not trying to get by as the least expensive,” according to Stoldt, who said that the district needs to continue to offer competitive pay to retain employees.

In a Letter to the Editor in last week’s Pine Cone, former Congressman Sam Farr decried the high levels of pay in local government, and especially in the county’s special districts, where upper-level staff at even smaller agencies can earn more than U.S. senators and representatives, who make \$174,000 per year, Supreme Court justices, who earn \$298,000, and Vice President Kamala Harris, whose

annual salary is \$235,000.

In his July 12 letter, Farr recommended that salary surveys commissioned by local agencies, such as the water district, include wages of state and federal workers, who are paid significantly less than their local counterparts.

“One reason our local salaries have become so skewed is that local governments don’t require their salary surveys to include the salaries of our local federal employees,” such as at the Defense Language Institute and the Naval Postgraduate School, Farr wrote. “Without including the federal salaries, the surveys are shifted significantly upward by looking only at like-kind positions in local government.”

Stoldt said that the water district’s recent salary surveys included comparisons to state workers. The studies did not include federal wages.

The water board voted unanimously to increase salaries for the entire workforce at the water district so the pay is comparable to employees in other agencies.

The district will also conduct a salary survey to get a better sense of how much to offer the person selected for the assistant general manager job, Stoldt explained.



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Girls water polo players learn about aggressive play on trip to Croatia

THE STEVENSON Pirates memorably conquered their own corner of the girls’ water polo world last fall, becoming the first Monterey Peninsula team to win a Northern California championship in the sport. Nearly eight months later, they experienced how the game is played on the other side of the world in Croatia, a country where the sport is akin to a religion.

Six thousand miles from home, with eyes wide and hearts pounding, a contingent of 13 girls swam through a pitch-black, deathly quiet, manmade tunnel where the Nazis hid their U-boats from Allied forces during World War II.

They learned things about the ancient history of Croatia, home of one of three remaining Roman coliseums, Pula Arena, built in 27 B.C.

They were tutored by world-class coaches from Croatia

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

and Serbia and measured their athletic skills against top-flight competition, including Croatia’s under-16 national team, which left two days later to compete in the World Aquatic Championships.

Water Polo Camp Sibenik was an intense, 10-day education for the student-athletes. They covered all costs through their own fundraising efforts, accruing more than \$25,000, including about \$4,000 they donated to a special-needs school in Croatia. The trip wasn’t part of the water polo program at Stevenson School in Pebble Beach, where all 13 girls are enrolled.

‘Two seasons in 10 days’

“Those 10 days (June 21-30) were basically the equivalent of two high school seasons for us, and that’s just in terms of the training,” said Stevenson head coach Jon Burke, who had organized five similar international odysseys for athletes at Sacred Heart Prep in Atherton, where his teams won 10 consecutive Central Coast Section championships and reached the CCS finals 12 years in a row.

“It was also an intensive cultural experience and a truly incredible team bonding opportunity for all of us,” said the coach, whose players, ages 14-17, included boarding students who traveled to Croatia from Vietnam, China, Panama and Mexico.

“I feel like I bonded with every single girl on the team — some I hadn’t really even talked to before,” said center-defender Sienna Cimoli, an incoming senior who earned Defensive Player of the Year honors last fall in the Pacific Coast Athletic League. “I feel so much closer to all of my teammates, and I have no doubt that it’s going to help our team dynamic. This is going to be a great season.”

Dusk to dark each day

A rigorous daily schedule typically began with reveille at 6 a.m. for workouts on the beach, followed by breakfast and two hours of practices in a pristine pool in a seaside town 15 minutes from the girls’ resort hotel.

After lunch, their afternoons included sightseeing tours followed by nighttime drills and game-like scrimmages (no score was kept) against formidable local club teams, as well as the one-off opportunity to play against the Croatian 16-and-younger national squad.

Some games and workouts took place in the 75-degree waters of the sea.

“The Adriatic Sea was the deepest color of blue you can imagine and crystal-clear — you could see straight to the bottom everywhere you swam,” said Anna Mitchell, Stevenson’s All-PCAL goalie.

Stunning scenery

“When the sun hit the water, it glittered like diamonds,” she said. “It was the most beautiful water I’ve ever seen.”

The style of play in Croatia was an eye-opener, said second-team All-PCAL senior Arielle Dale, a utility player for the Pirates.

“The tactics there are very different, because they’re way more aggressive, pressing so hard, forcing you to go 100 percent the whole time,” she said.

Burke, the coach, also observed that Croatians favor a style of play that is more vertical (goal to goal) than horizontal (sideline to sideline).

The physicality of the European style and the leniency of European officials were expected — Stevenson’s



PHOTO/COURTESY JON BURKE

The defending NorCal champ Stevenson Pirates, posing here at a pool next to the Adriatic Sea, played two local club teams and the Croatia U-16 national squad during an elite water polo camp in late June.

players had been forewarned — but nonetheless jolting.

“I would say they had a healthy appetite for beating up on us a little bit,” Burke said with a laugh. “We got kicked in the throat. We got held under. It was eye-opening at times, but everybody was friendly afterward, and, honestly, our girls embraced it. They were having fun and enjoying it.”

Senior Emmerson Ferreira, MVP of the PCAL a year ago, got pushed, slapped, and barked at in Croatian as she was battling for better position on her opponent.

“Emmerson just kind of looked around, like, ‘Wow, I can’t believe that just happened,’” Cimoli remembered.

Croatians defending from behind don’t hesitate to launch themselves over an opponent’s back in pursuit of the ball, Cimoli said.

‘They’d kind of drown you’

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drown you a little bit when they reached over the top to steal the ball,” she said.

And Mitchell, the goalkeeper, frequently was surprised that the locals were eager to take a shot from almost anywhere.

“They took shots I wasn’t really expecting, but it was pretty cool to see,” she said. “I think I learned more about playing goal in a week than I could have in a month of games in the U.S.”

Stevenson players arrived bearing gifts for their hosts, typically presenting them with team swim caps after a rugged scrim-



PHOTO/COURTESY JON BURKE

The water polo facilities in Croatia were first-class, with a stunning view of the Adriatic Sea, where the Stevenson Pirates also got to practice and play.

mage, sometimes getting Croatian caps in exchange.

“Sometimes they were surprised, because they didn’t really have anything to give us,” Dale said. “Then they’d scramble around, and come back with a bag of goodies for us.”

“It was really interesting, because we’d go really hard against each other in these really physical games, and afterward they’re just the sweetest ... so welcoming,” Cimoli added.

A high point, they said, was meeting children enrolled the special-needs school where they presented their \$4,000 check (one of the largest donations the academy had ever received).

Ghosts of the Nazis

Their 1,000-yard swim through the Nazi submarine tunnel filled with water from the Adriatic Sea also was unforgettable, they said.

“It was massive, and it was mind-blowing,” Burke said.

Mitchell, a self-proclaimed World War II history buff, said she had no idea about the historical significance of that region during WWII.

“That tunnel was so dark, really echoey, and definitely a little bit eerie. This was a place hand-built by the Germans,” she said. “I enjoyed it, but I think all of us were swimming as fast as possible to get out of there.”

Burke said he’d like to organize another trip to a different venue in about three years.

Stevenson has its entire starting lineup and key reserves returning from that 2023-24 team that went 7-0 in the PCAL, 25-7 overall, and won the CCS crown on the way to the school’s first-ever NorCal title.

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Editorial

The homeless and the High Court

YOU MAY not have heard about it, but Knoll’s Law of Media Accuracy is the adage that “everything you read in the newspapers is absolutely true, except the rare story of which you happen to have firsthand knowledge.”

Even people in the news business have to admit that the phenomenon happens. Try as they might to get everything right, every journalist not only makes mistakes, they let their personal notions of right and wrong influence what they write. They can’t help it. And the news consumer can’t help believing things that come from news sources they’ve learned to trust, or that confirm their biases. To get a true understanding of current events, you must diversify your news sources, for example, by reading the New York Times and watching Fox News.

Another option available to anybody who really wants to understand what’s going on is to consult primary news sources, and a perfect example of this arose a few weeks ago when the U.S. Supreme Court announced its decision in a closely watched case on the rights of the homeless. The case was City of Grants Pass v. Johnson, and when the court’s opinion was released, many news sources hurried to attack it.

“Supreme Court Rules That It’s OK to Criminalize Sleeping While Homeless,” screamed a headline in Slate. “High Court says cities can punish people for sleeping in public places,” opined NPR. “Stay awake or be arrested,” warned USA Today.

Anyone reading those stories would have to believe the Supreme Court had done a terrible thing. But if you care to know the facts, you don’t have to rely on the news media, because the court’s decision itself is readily available online, and if you take the time to read it, you’ll learn a lot more than you could from any account in the news.

After outlining the extent and causes of the nation’s terrible problem with homelessness, Justice Brett Kavanaugh, writing for the majority, noted that “California alone is home to around half of those in this nation living without shelter on a given night, and each of the five states with the highest rates of unsheltered homelessness in the country — California, Oregon, Hawaii, Arizona, and Nevada — lies in the American West.” And he added that the homeless tend to live near each other, creating encampments where living conditions are terrible, illegal drug use is rampant, and where crime by and against the homeless has exploded.

But despite cities’ efforts to offer services to the homeless and convince them to accept help, many of them refuse to cooperate.

According to the high court, “The city of Seattle, for example, reports that roughly 60 percent of its offers of shelter have been rejected in a recent year, and officials in Portland, Ore., indicate that, between April 2022 and January 2024, over 70 percent of their approximately 3,500 offers of shelter beds to homeless individuals were declined.” In California, a coalition of 13 cities told the court that “the vast majority of their homeless populations are not actively seeking shelter and refuse all services.”

But hold on. Wasn’t the essence of the lower courts’ earlier decisions, the ones granting homeless people the right to camp on the street, based on assumption that no shelter space was available? That’s certainly what the (biased) news media told us. “Lower courts said that under the Eighth Amendment it’s cruel and unusual to fine or jail someone for sleeping on public land if there’s no adequate shelter available,” according to USA Today.

But that wasn’t the case at all, according to the Supreme Court. “Everyone without shelter in Grants Pass was involuntarily homeless,” the lower courts ruled, “because the city’s total homeless population outnumbered its ‘practically available’ shelter beds.” And why weren’t there enough beds? “None of the beds at Grants Pass’s charity-run shelter qualified as ‘available,’” the Supreme Court said, “because the shelter has rules requiring residents to abstain from smoking and attend religious services.”

You read that right. In Grants Pass, plenty of shelter beds were available, but they came with restrictions. In that city, there was a no smoking rule and a requirement to go to church. Shelters in other cities have bans on illegal drug use, guests and pets. And if a homeless person didn’t want to comply with the rules at the shelter available to them, that shelter was no longer “practically available,” according to the thinking of some U.S. courts, making it “cruel and unusual punishment” to arrest people for continuing to camp on the streets. What a surprise this must be to anyone whose sole knowledge about the facts in this dispute came from the media.

Thank goodness we have the Supreme Court to correct such insanely erroneous interpretations of the law. And thank goodness we have original documents available so we can understand what’s really going on.

BEST of BATES



“You can have the flowers on Spyglass.
I prefer the ones on Pebble.”

Letters to the Editor

‘A disservice to all citizens’
Dear Editor,

As a retired law enforcement officer from a highway patrol agency on the other side of the country, I can tell you that going 90-plus mph on multiple occasions and having no valid law enforcement reason for doing so seems to be a pattern. Being the duly elected sheriff from the county, perhaps Tina Nieto has let the title go to her head and thinks she is above the law or exempt from it. It happens. But it is not a justification. Speeding is just a violation. Which means it is up to the officer’s discretion to issue a ticket or not. But to demand a supervisor and have an attitude about it, and now that supervisor must give up their time to respond, is definitely an ego gone wild.

However, for The Pine Cone to ask the sheriff “if she’d been under the influence of drugs or alcohol during the times she was pulled over?” No law enforcement officer anywhere in the country these days would put their career on the line for another law enforcement officer who made those kind of poor choices. That’s just inflaming the story.

“Why she refused to identify herself” is the better story, and, to me, should be the only question. In the public safety arena, everything and anything the police do today is documented for the world to see,

as these incidents reflect. For the sheriff to abuse her position and to be disrespectful to members of another law enforcement agency just makes no sense. If she does this in her private vehicle, imagine the interactions she has with other agencies in her professional capacity. That is a disservice to all the citizens of Monterey County.

Maybe now with this all coming to light, the sheriff will have her county bosses to answer to, along with the voting public. Let’s see what the voters of Monterey County have to say about this in the next election. The sheriff’s ego gone wild might just get squashed a little bit. Will they let her remain above the law?

The Other Rich Pepe,
Former NYPD Highway Patrol

‘Complete disregard’
Dear Editor,

As a disabled/retired California law enforcement of more than 33 years, I was disgusted with Monterey County Sheriff Tina Nieto. Honestly, three times stopped for 90-plus mph in her personal vehicle, in and out of traffic, shows a complete disregard for public safety. I find it a bit odd that a person who represents law enforcement of Monterey County would so needlessly put so many people in danger. After all, she was stopped by the California Highway Patrol three times, but each time “officer’s discretion” was used, no cite was issued and the officer’s warning to slow it down was not heeded.

Last May, when stopped again, the

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A bit of Paraguay in Pacific Grove

LILIANA ARAUJO is passionate about sharing her Paraguayan cuisine with the Monterey Peninsula, but it took her a while to realize her destiny. Between raising her five children in Paraguay, her career at Community Hospital as a phlebotomist and the Covid speed bump along

Great Lives

By SALLY BAHO

the way, it would be years and several hurdles before she would open Café Guarani in Pacific Grove.

Araujo is from Paraguay’s capital of Asuncion. The daughter of restaurateurs, she grew up in the kitchen, she explained. “I used to get up at 2 in the morning and go to the market with my mom, then go to the restaurant, have breakfast and after that get ready to go to school,” she reminisced.

Hard work

After graduating from high school in 1979, she came to Monterey — where she had an aunt and an uncle — to study English for one year. When she returned to Paraguay, she attended university to study psychology and also met her future husband.

“By then, my mom had retired and

the Paris Bakery, but her mother told her, “You’re not going to be able to live in P.G. with five children by working at a bakery,” and urged her to go into healthcare. Araujo earned her license as a certified nurse assistant through the Pacific Grove Adult School, found a job as a caregiver for a woman in Carmel, and took a second job at Avalon Health Care.

“But I never left my baking,” she said. “I would bake cakes, cupcakes, and cookies for the events at

Avalon,” she said. Meanwhile, being a caregiver became physically taxing, so her mother sent her to Hartnell College to study phlebotomy. Araujo found a job at CHOMP as a lab technician in 2006 and worked there for 11 years. Her coworkers learned she was a baker and began to order cakes from her, so she went on social media, offering to bake for weddings, quinceañeras (15th birthday parties for young women), baby showers, and other events.

In 2017, she retired from the hospital and thought, “Now I can open my bakery.” So she began the search for a storefront. “The success of a bakery depends on the location,” she said. “You need people walking in front of your store, seeing what you’re doing, smelling what you’re baking.” Eventually she found the spot that used to be Tilly Gort’s. “I sat my family down at the table and told them this was my next project,” she said. Some of her family supported the plan, while others were more cautious, but she moved forward with her dream.

Family project

It took a year-and-a-half, a remodel, health permits and her retirement earnings from CHOMP to get the bakery going. Her family worried about the expense, but she was confident.

“I said, ‘I have all the energy to make this project work.’” After investing a great deal of time, labor

and money, she opened her doors in March 2020, only to be shut down a week later by Covid. “The health department said, ‘You can’t have customers hang out, not inside or outside. Customers have to come in through one door, out another. You need hand sanitizer, signs, masks, and markings for social distancing,’” she recounted. She followed all of the regulations, so at least she could be open.

The bakery became an Araujo family project. “If it wasn’t for my family there would be no way,” she said. Despite the pandemic, Araujo persisted. “This was a ghost town,” she said. “The only people who really supported us from the beginning were the people who lived around here,” she said.

First, people came for the coffee, but then their curiosity was piqued, asking

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GOPHER SNAKES, RATTLETS, MOUNTAIN LIONS, AND AN EXCITABLE SKUNK

IT’S A big, breathtaking world out there — and that’s just the part you can see.

Imagine how intoxicating that must be for a person who devotes the vast majority of his spare time looking for things the rest of us miss, in remote, obscure locations, then devises visionary ways to share them.

Keith Evans, a professional photogra-

try to be in the moment,” he said.

Evans — 42, single, no children — confessed that he didn’t consider himself a creative person until he developed an appreciation for photography in his early 30s.

He grew up on Lake Cupertino, lived in the South Bay and Santa Clara, attended De Anza College and UC Santa Cruz, and was an avid mountain biker in his late 20s.

“I ended up buying a little point-and-shoot camera. I’d see a good picture in the

forest, and I wanted something better than the iPhones of the day, which didn’t have good dynamic range.

“I probably was 31 when I fell in love with the whole process,” he said.

Although he was living in the San Francisco Bay area, Big Sur became his destination for landscape photography, and exploration became his passion.

“I like to go off trail, I like to go up, I like to go alone. Sometimes I don’t want to go anywhere — I want to just sit there on a rock,” said Evans, who typically packs about 20 pounds of equipment for his hikes. That includes a full-frame Sony camera, a tripod and three lenses — two for distance and a 90 mm macro lens, “in case I want to get about 6 inches away and capture all of the details,” he said.

Beautiful snakes

He loves the wilderness, enjoys the people he occasionally meets there — “The backcountry attracts all kinds,” he said — and is excited by the wildlife.

“I was out near Pine Valley one day, walking up the riverbed, and stepped over a rattlesnake without even noticing it,” he remembered. “It scared the hell out of me, but it didn’t move at all, so I let myself breathe a little bit, then took a few photos of it from about 6 feet away. It was very beautiful.”

In Arroyo Seco, he watched a mountain lion cross the road in front of his car at 8 in the morning.

On warm day in June, after taking a dip in Alder Creek, Evans saw a gopher snake

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PHOTO/COURTESY LILIANA ARAUJO

Liliana Araujo opened Café Guarani in Pacific Grove as an outpost of her native Paraguayan cuisine.

moved to Monterey and kept telling me to come, so we did. My first daughter was born at CHOMP in 1988,” she said. She said that soon after, however, to satisfy immigration laws and earn American citizenship, she moved back to Paraguay, where her other four children were born. Araujo said she lived there for 14 years, as her mother — already a citizen — helped her complete her petition and meet all the requirements.

Along the way, Araujo became a pastry chef, started a bakery with her mother-in-law, and opened a plant nursery and a shipping business with her family’s help.

In 2002, as a naturalized citizen, she brought her family of seven to the Peninsula, “to start all over again,” she said with a laugh.

They moved to Pacific Grove, and Araujo worked at various bakeries in the area, including the old Scotch Bakery and



PHOTO/JOSHUA CRITES

Keith Evans, a landscape, seascape and nature photographer, spends about 40 weekends a year exploring Big Sur — most often the rugged backcountry. He’s pictured here admiring a vista at Garrapata State Park.

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“Where is Paraguay? What is Guarani?” And nobody knew about yerba mate (a South American tea), empanadas (stuffed pastries), or alfajores (sandwich cookies filled with caramel). “So, we took the opportunity to educate the community,” she said.

Araujo just turned 65 and is living her dream. “I am honored to be a part of this community and share my culture,” she said. “People love what we do, love the food.”

Araujo was recently recognized in Los Angeles by the Association of Paraguayans for honoring her heritage. She has also been featured in local and national publications for bringing Paraguayan food to this country. Most notably, the New York Times interviewed her in January about sopa Paraguaya, a traditional Paraguayan dish that’s like a cheesy cornbread, “Because I’m one of the few making it,” she said. You taste the sopa and other specialties when you visit Cafe Guarani at 111 Central Ave. And be sure to say hola to Araujo.





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feasting on a dead rat and snapped a couple of photos before the reptile dragged its prey to a more private spot.

“Another really magical moment was sitting with a condor that landed a couple of places nearby,” he reminisced. “I just sat and waited for it to take off, then took a few photos that probably nobody would care to see, but it was really a beautiful moment.”

An intensifying interest for Evans has been astrophotography — photographing the Milky Way in the dark of night — which led to “one of the most terrifying experiences I’ve ever had with wildlife,” he said with a laugh.

“It was 1 or 2 in the morning. I kept hearing this little shuffling noise behind me and finally turned on my headlamp and looked around,” Evans recalled. “About 8 feet away — maybe closer — was a skunk that was looking at me and squaring off. And I was like, ‘Uh oh, time to go!’”

Venturing out in the wee hours to shoot the stars is a growing infatuation, with a whole separate learning curve and equipment and techniques that are constantly evolving.

For the past 15 years, Monday through Friday, Evans has been self-employed at his own digital-marketing company, Redpath Labs, which he launched in Silicon Valley and runs today from his Prunedale home.

His company specializes in helping businesses increase revenues through web development, online advertising and social media and content strategies.

It keeps him busy enough that he usually limits his photography adventures to one day each weekend, or sometimes both days, with the occasional three- or four-day outing.

“I say no to a lot of other things, but I don’t mind. I enjoy the sacrifices that are required to do what I do,” he said.

Endless opportunities

Time limitations are a legitimate reason to stay closer to home, but Evans, for the moment, is satisfied with the endless opportunities that wait a short drive from his front door.

“The landscape of Big Sur is big enough to explore for a lifetime,” he said. “I wouldn’t mind going to Yosemite a couple of times of year. I’d love to go to Iceland, and I think Patagonia would be pretty great. But I wouldn’t say those are bucket-list kinds of things for me. I’m very happy with the playground I’ve got right here.”

Images of his photography and additional information can be found at keithevansphotography.com. Visit the Carmel Valley Art Association, 8 Del Fino Place, Carmel Valley Village, to see his work on exhibit.

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co-conspirator burned the Victory Toyota paperwork, police recovered the Challenger. Venegas posted in the group’s social media chat that officers “picked up the car” and “dusted it for fingerprints,” the complaint says.

The final crime detailed in the complaint involved the theft of a Dodge Challenger Hellcat from Santa Maria that they then stripped in the backyard of Olivas’ grandparents’ house. By the time police found it, the car was missing its interior, engine, hood, steering wheel, seats and doors, according to the complaint.

All three were arrested shortly after

the charges were filed, and all posted bail, according to El Dorado County Superior Court records. Venegas’ bail was set at \$150,000, Olivas’ is \$100,000, and Anderson’s is \$70,000.

Venegas and Anderson had arraignments scheduled for Monday, while Olivas pleaded not guilty at his June 24 arraignment and was set to discuss scheduling a preliminary hearing this week, according to the court.

Bonta took the occasion to declare that the California Department of Justice strives to fight “organized crime in the field and in the courtroom,” and said he is “thankful for strong partnerships with local law enforcement that make California a safer state.”

“When we work together, we get results,” he said.

Panetta lauds local Olympic competitors

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

REP. JIMMY Panetta this week recognized local athletes who are competing in the 2024 Paris Olympic Games.

They include 34-year-old rugby player Matai Leuta, who lives in Marina. He spent much of his childhood in Fiji, where he fell in love with rugby, before returning to California.

The opening ceremony for the games is Friday and will be broadcast at 7:30 p.m. on NBC. Team USA is made up of 592 elite athletes, including 140 Californians, competing in 34 sports.

“Our country consistently sends athletes to the Olympics that embody the best of America in athleticism and

patriotism,” said Panetta, who represents the 19th Congressional district. “In our local athletes on Team USA, we see those qualities and look forward to watching them represent what we stand for on the world stage.”

Other nearby Olympians include Santa Cruz residents Nikki Hiltz, competing in track and field, Natalia Grossman, competing in sport climbing, volleyball player Kelsey Robinson, and Scotts Valley resident and wrestling competitor Dominique Parrish.

Panetta is co-chair of the Physical Activity Caucus in Congress.

The United States will host the next summer Olympic games in Los Angeles in 2028.

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With thousands of works, you could call it a gallery — or maybe it’s just a Montage

By LISA LAPIN

THE MOST bustling corridor of Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, where patients pass through on gurneys between procedures and their rooms, also doubles as an art gallery. Instead of sterile white, the walls are an earthy green. Dozens of ethereal black-and-white photographs beckon, depicting the peaceful undersea beauty of Monterey Bay — harbor seals, starfish, waving kelp and glistening schools of fish. It’s impossible not to pause, study and explore them in awe.

The installation of works by local dive photographers is just one small piece of a veritable art museum that graces the hallways, waiting areas, patient rooms, offices and procedure rooms in Montage Health’s facilities throughout the Monterey Peninsula. In all, there are more than 9,000 works in the Montage Health collection, 1,000 of them installed at CHOMP alone. They are part of a purposeful program to curate visual, musical and written art for the benefit of patients and their caregivers, as well as clinical staff and the broader community.

“Art is an important part of our overall care, for spiritual care, for relieving stress, and for mindfulness,” said Laine Julian, hospital chaplain and Montage spiritual care leader. “We work in an art gallery. Each piece invites mindfulness, slow looking, noting our thoughts, to help us connect to our feelings. Any wall in the hospital has a piece that can be used for recentering and groundedness for patients and their families or for clinicians who sometimes experience stressful situations.”

Big Sur artists

One of Julian’s domains is the CHOMP meditation room, where he uses rotating art installations for daily meditation sessions for anyone in the hospital. Currently,



The halls of Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula are home to more than 1,000 works of art.

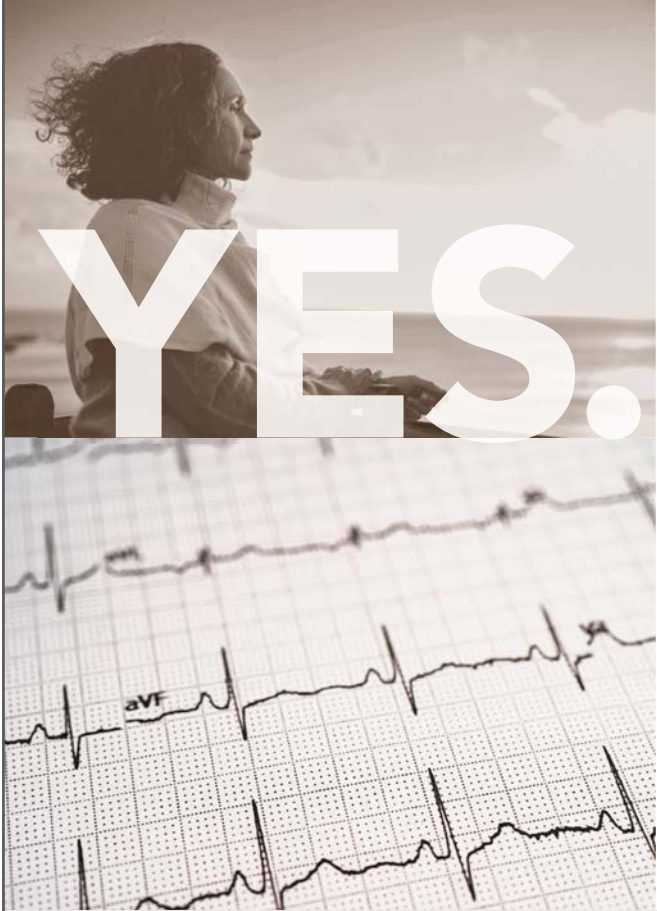
the space houses a painting of sea bluffs by Big Sur artist Melissa Lofton, and life-sized carved wood-and-epoxy birds — a gull, a hawk and a frigate bird — with intricate wood inlays, done by late Big Sur artist Emile Norman.

“The idea is that it’s a place to come for calm and to pe-

riodically see something new to contemplate,” said Elizabeth Denholm, Montage’s art collection manager since 2022, responsible for the curation, display and preservation of the collection.

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It’s never too late to break a harmful habit

By ELAINE HESSER

ON ANY given afternoon, downtown Carmel is full of busy wine-tasting rooms and restaurants and bars where people are enjoying cocktails before dinner.

And there’s nothing wrong with that — Healthy Life-styles has always been firmly in the camp of “everything in moderation.” However, the National Institute on Drug Abuse, part of the U.S. government’s National Institutes of Health, said that in a study published in 2017, about 65 percent of people 65 and older reported “high-risk drink- ing” in the previous year.

That means that at least once weekly, they exceeded guidelines which recommend that men limit their alcohol intake to two drinks daily and that women stick to one drink or less. Some government sources and medical orga- nizations suggest that anyone 65 or older limit themselves to one drink a day, regardless of gender. They say aging can increase sensitivity to alcohol, and older adults often have health conditions or take medications that don’t pair well with booze.

“One drink” is defined as 12 ounces of beer with 5 per- cent alcohol (trendy craft beers are often twice as strong), 4 or 5 ounces of wine with 12 percent alcohol, or 1.5 oun- ces of 80-proof liquor.

The government’s drug abuse experts add that about 10 percent of seniors are “binge drinkers,” meaning men who consume five or more drinks on the same occasion or women who have four or more.

“Most admissions to substance use treatment centers in this age group relate to alcohol,” they note, adding that alcohol abuse among elders was on an upward trend even before the pandemic led to a major nationwide spike in consumption for just about everyone.

Roger Davis, a licensed clinical social worker and lead therapist at Outpatient Behavioral Health Services at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, and Ann Bispo, a registered nurse who is the chemical dependency liaison for CHOMP’s Care Coordination Services, recent- ly spoke with Healthy Lifestyles about the issue.

They said that problem drinking was the most common form of substance abuse they see among the 65-and-over crowd. Bispo noted that Covid provided a “perfect atmo- sphere” for increased alcohol use. “People were stock- ing up,” anyone could have liquor delivered, and stress

abounded. “There was iso- lation, people were scared, and there was a lot of depres- sion,” she said.

Davis mentioned that sub- stance abuse can be harder to detect in older people, too. Typical warning signs like poor job performance aren’t part of the picture. Some people have quit driving — so they don’t get DUIs — and widows and widowers often live alone, with fewer social interactions.

However, physical symp- toms like blood sugar abnor- malities, high blood pressure, heart arrhythmias, weight changes, nutritional deficien- cies and problems thinking can indicate a problem. Rou- tine lab tests can sometimes raise a red flag, or the issue may become apparent in a regular visit a primary care physician or nurse practitioner, Bispo and Davis noted.

A fall might lead to a diagnosis of alcohol use disorder — as it’s now known — Bispo said. People come in with a broken hip or arm, and if they’re admitted to the hospi- tal, they might show symptoms of alcohol withdrawal, like strong feelings of anxiety, increased heart rate, and shak- iness. That’s when she’s often called in, bringing four de- cades of experience with substance abuse to the patient’s bedside.

Other times, a patient might come to a doctor with problems like severe insomnia and panic attacks, which can be caused by over-consumption.

It’s all related

Davis added that many people struggle with co-occur- ing diagnoses, meaning that they have a substance use disorder and another mental health disorder. “Starting in August, we will begin offering an outpatient therapy group



that specifically focuses on treating both types of condi- tions at the same time,” he said.

It often begins as a way of “dealing with uncomfortable emotional situations,” he explained. “People introduce a substance to rid themselves of (negative) thoughts, social anxiety, and it goes away for a little bit.” Men in particu- lar might attach some stigma to mental health issues and self-medicate while avoiding seeking treatment.

Getting help

Bispo posited several other possible explanations for increased alcohol use during what are supposed to be the “golden years,” with increased leisure and fewer respon- sibilities. Loved ones die, or there are physical losses, like the ability to drive or participate in favorite activities. “It’s grief issues over and over,” she said. Alcohol is relatively cheap, easily accessible and provides temporary relief.

Treatment for alcohol use disorder has evolved signifi-

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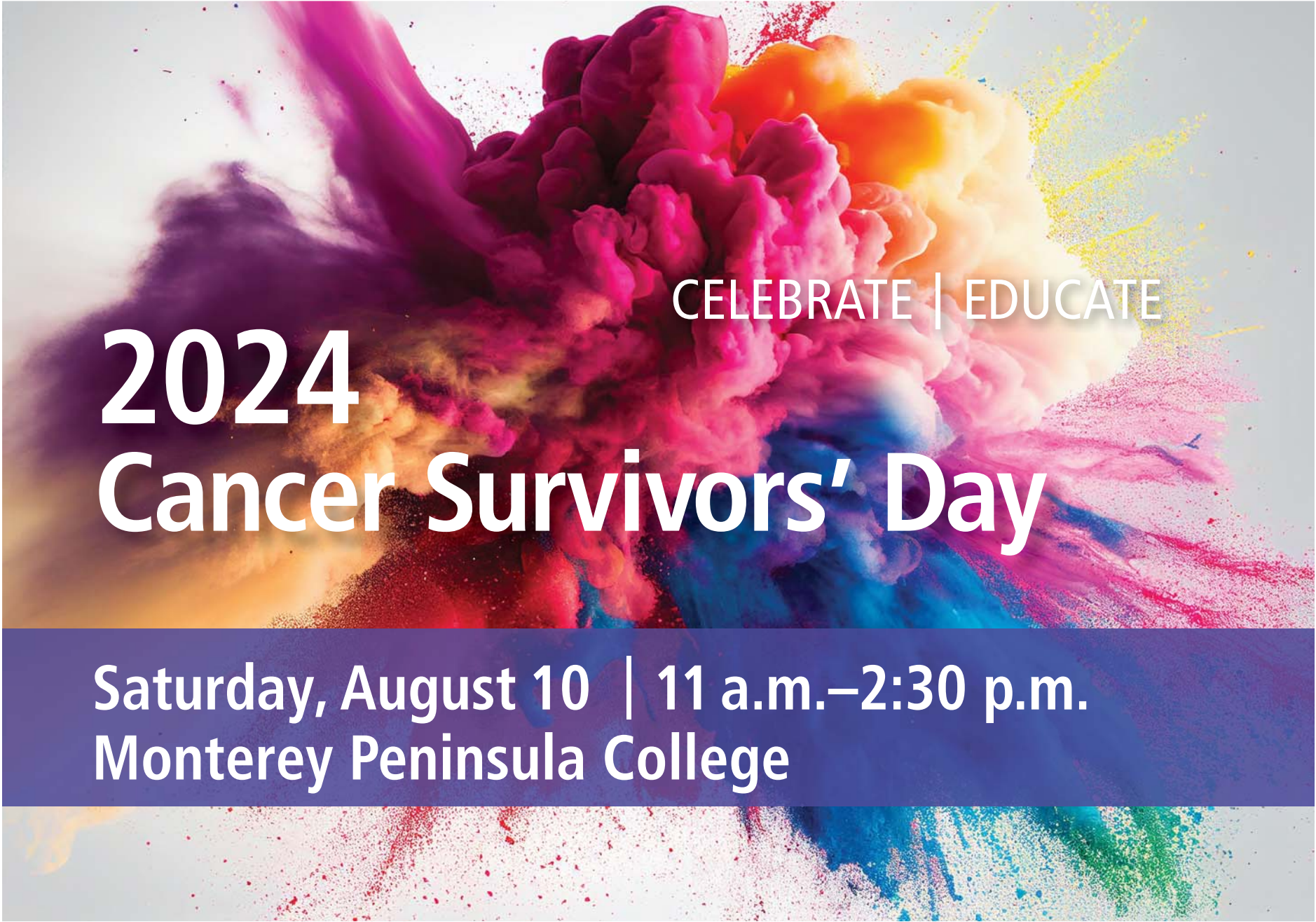
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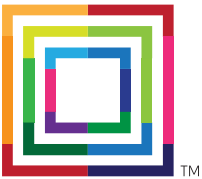
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Getting cancer questions answered quickly and clearly — with science

By ELAINE HESSER

A CANCER diagnosis can affect someone to the core of their identity. One minute, they're a spouse, parent, entrepreneur, artist or waiter, and the next, they're dumped into a box labeled "cancer patient." Amid a virtual tsunami of emotions, they become de facto managers of their own personal healthcare project.

Dozens of details about how to keep working, raising kids or caring for aging parents must be tended to, insurance has to be demystified, and there are myriad perplexing medical options, including clinical trials and experimental treatments. It's hard to make critical decisions under that kind of stress, and that's why the nonprofit Cancer Help Desk exists.

Its mission is “to combine compassion, expert knowledge, and evidence-based science when offering personalized education, resources, and treatment choices for people dealing with cancer.”

The organization was founded by three women. Rebecca Driscoll, the CEO, has more than 20 years of experience in can-

cer and oncology, and chief financial officer Shelley Frisbie (who has a home in Carmel), brings more than four decades of finance and accounting background in nonprofit and for-profit groups. She has personal experience with cancer, as her husband died from melanoma.

Deb Christensen, an oncology nurse with more than 20 years of experience, is the chief patient officer. Frisbie explained that they had all worked for a similar organization that shifted its focus to research, so they decided to create something that offered one-on-one help to patients and caregivers.

“We want to provide individualized, really personal services to people who need them,” Christensen said, noting there’s a roughly 50/50 split between patients and caregivers among their callers.

“We want to be a neutral liaison” with the medical community, she added, highlighting a key component of the service. Christensen noted that some medical businesses, like drug companies and laboratories, offer incentives to doctors to recommend their services. Not all physicians accept these offers, of course, but the Help Desk aims to be a trustworthy, unbiased source of scientific information, opinions and suggestions.

Frisbie said that although it's based in Burlingame and can provide help to people anywhere in the United States because it operates via telephone and internet, the organization has roots in Carmel thanks to her friend, realtor Judie Profeta, who has a knack for networking and bringing people together. Locals Susan Martin and Diane Dell'Armo serve on the Help Desk's board of directors.

Frisbie also spoke of a meeting last November at Cypress Stables off Aguajito



Cancer Help Desk founders Rebecca Driscoll, Shelley Frisbie, and Deb Christensen volunteer their time to help people find compassion and objective information about cancer.

Road, where she and Driscoll gave presentations to about 25 locals who gathered to learn more about the fledgling group. The questions and discussions led to a series of ongoing local conversations “about Cancer Help Desk’s critical role in educating cancer patients and their families about treatment options, clinical trials, and the importance of tumor tissue testing.”

Navigators

The group delivers scientific knowledge with human compassion. “People have a lot of questions about diagnoses,

recurrences and new treatments. It's a real pressure-reliever" when they can provide understandable answers, Christensen said, because "you don't know what you don't know," when it comes to navigating the healthcare system.

When someone calls the service, they receive two-and-a-half hours of consultation at no charge from a “nurse navigator” experienced in oncology, Christensen explained. That might include translating medical-speak into layman’s terms or rec-

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SPATCHCOCKED CHICKEN WITH HONEY LAVENDER BARBEQUE SAUCE

Courtesy executive chef Christian Ojeda, Bernardus Lodge & Spa

WHO DOESN'T love barbecued chicken? The problem is that BBQ sauces can have a lot of sugar, which is not only not the healthiest option, but also makes it easy to scorch the bird.

Well, executive chef Christian Ojeda from Bernardus Lodge has offered some suggestions to make this summer favorite a little healthier. He said that if you like, you can replace the ketchup by subbing tomato paste stirred together with some apple cider vinegar. You can also swap in more honey for the brown sugar, if you prefer, but be aware the sauce will burn more easily. And while many people tout the health benefits of honey, and its sugar content is slightly lower than the stuff you put in your coffee, it's still, well, sugar.

We'll jump in and say you could also add the brown sugar to the sauce a little at a time, taste, and stop when you're happy with the flavor. And if you really don't want to feed your sweet tooth, enjoy the bird with the sauce it's cooked with, instead of ladling on more at the table. If you prefer skinless chicken, don't remove it until after grilling. It keeps everything moist and helps with flavor.

This recipe calls for spatchcocking the chicken, which is one of those techniques that sounds harder than it is. Read through the instructions, maybe watch a video online, and if you're still stymied, just ask your butcher to do it for you. You may want to try this method for roasting, too. It's quicker than cooking the chicken intact and the whole thing heats through much more evenly.

Make sure you buy culinary (also called English) lavender for this dish, or your dinner will end up tasting soapy. English lavender isn't nearly as strong as the type used in scented lotions and the like. Once you have some, google recipes for scones, teas, lemon-lavender cakes...it's even found its way into trendy cocktails. You may find a whole new flavor profile to enjoy.

INGREDIENTS

Serves 2 to 4

1 whole chicken
Salt and pepper

For 1 quart of sauce:
1/2 cup chopped white onion

4 cloves garlic, crushed
1 cup honey
1 cup apple cider vinegar
1/2 cup dark brown sugar, packed
1 cup ketchup
1/4 cup Worcestershire sauce
4 tablespoons olive oil
1 1/2 tablespoons dried (English) cooking lavender (see notes)
1 1/2 teaspoons ground coriander
1 teaspoon ground white pepper
2 teaspoons chopped fresh thyme
1/2 cup vegetable stock
1/2 cup orange juice

In a large saucepan, sauté onions and garlic in oil until lightly caramelized. Stir in the honey, vinegar, brown sugar, ketchup, Worcestershire sauce, lavender, coriander, thyme, salt and pepper. Simmer over medium heat and cook, stirring occasionally. Mix in vegetable stock and orange juice and reduce heat to medium low; stir to avoid scorching. Cook until flavors are well incorporated and sauce is slightly thickened, 10-15 minutes. Allow mixture to cool slightly. Place the sauce in a blender and process on medium speed until completely smooth.

Preparing the chicken:
Spatchcocking is much easier to accomplish with good-quality kitchen shears. You'll also need a large cutting board. Whenever you cook poultry or large pieces of meat, a thermometer is essential for ensuring food safety while not overcooking your dish.

Heat your gas or charcoal grill to 450 degrees. Remove the chicken from the refrigerator and do not rinse. (Chickens are cleaned before they're packaged, and running them under the tap just spreads bacteria in and around your sink.) Wash your hands thoroughly before and after handling raw chicken, and don't use the cutting board for anything else without cleaning it.

Pat the chicken dry with paper towels. Place it on the cutting board breast-side down. Use the kitchen shears to cut down one side of the spine and then the other, and save it to make soup or stock. Turn the chicken skin-side up and press down on the breastbone to flatten it out. You may hear a few bones crack — that's OK.

Season lightly with salt and pepper, and place the bird skin-side down on the grill. Allow it to sear and brown. Continue



cooking for 18 -20 minutes, watching for flareups, then use a spatula and tongs to flip the chicken.

If using a charcoal grill, move the chicken away from direct heat while cooking to avoid drying it out. This method may take longer than 45 minutes, so use a thermometer to check for doneness.

Once the bird reaches 145-150 degrees

internal temperature, mop the skin with sauce and allow to slightly caramelize and cook for another 15 minutes or until the chicken's internal temperature reaches 165 degrees.

Apply more sauce as you wish or serve on the side. Allow chicken to rest for 10-12 minutes before carving. This allows it to retain some moisture.

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Chef Bio

Christian Ojeda

BERNARDUS LODGE'S executive chef Christian Ojeda has already had quite a career, according to his official biography.

He was born in Utah and traces his family heritage to Chile. His career includes cooking in Europe, as well as Las Vegas, where worked at Joel Robuchon and acclaimed chef Hubert Keller's Fleur de Lys.

He came to Bernardus after plying his trade at resorts like Four Seasons Rancho Encantado Santa Fe in New Mexico, Auberge Resort Collection's Calistoga Ranch in Northern California and Montage Deer Valley Resort in Utah.

According to the Lodge's bio, Ojeda "infuses his dishes with bold flavors and vibrant colors, showcasing his deep appreciation for fresh, locally sourced ingredients."

Anyone who's had an opportunity to enjoy his creations can attest that they are indeed beautiful and meticulously plated, not to mention delicious. While he's not afraid to color outside the lines — like the mint and pea ice cream he served with carrot cake for a springtime dinner — there aren't any head-scratchers. Everything makes happy gustatory sense.

Ojeda is also approachable and downright fun to talk to. His passion for his work shines through everything he does, and he has a gift for making guests feel at ease.

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ommending places to get second opinions, information about available therapies, or resources for wigs, transportation, and financial assistance. There’s also a cancer resource library organized by diagnosis. Otherwise, “You can spend all day on Google,” Christensen said. The group vets the services to which it refers clients.

Clinical trials are a major focus. While they offer an opportunity for patients to receive experimental treatments, clinical trials also carry risks, and not all participants may get the actual treatment. Some may receive a placebo for comparison purposes.



Rebecca Driscoll and Deb Christensen at the April Oncology Nursing Society conference in Washington D.C., where they spent time “learning, networking and spreading the word about Cancer Help Desk.”

That’s a lot to sort out, particularly for people who are desperate. The folks at the Cancer Help Desk can assist in locating nearby trials — although Christensen said they never rule something out solely because of distance — and provide objective information on how to participate and what to expect. They also offer info on biomarker testing, which can determine if certain kinds of treatments might be effective. And, said Christensen, they can help steer people clear of charlatans and bogus treatments.

All of this, of course, costs money. Christensen, Frisbie and Driscoll have been donating their time, but the scientists they consult must be compensated. After the initial 2 1/2-hour consultation, services like deeper case reviews or contacting clinical trial sites may cost clients anywhere from \$550 to \$1,200. On the other hand, said Christensen, “People out there are paying so much money for snake oil and things that don’t work.” Frisbie said that many people who have paid for the group’s services have added donations on top of the fees.

They’re assisting six or seven people a month, which allows them to provide the personal attention they are aiming for. They’d like to train additional nurse navigators to make their expertise more widely available. The group has received some non-government grants and is holding an art auction and fundraiser at the end of the month in Los Angeles.

“We want to shine a light in a dark room,” Christensen said. “We tell people, ‘Just try to do one thing a day,’” to move forward and make decisions. To learn more or to donate, visit cancerhelpdesk.org.

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tion of the vast collection. “Art can help validate and acknowledge what people are going through. It provides hope and positivity, and it can help people harness resilience.”

A vast amount of peer-reviewed academic research over the past two decades has found that the integration of art into clinical and community healthcare settings can reduce patients’ anxiety, improve outcomes, reduce pain and even lead to shorter hospital stays. For both patients and caregivers, it increases overall well-being and improves the effectiveness of health communication, according to the National Organization for Arts in Health.

Montage is a member of NOAH, a professional association supported by the U.S. Surgeon General and the National Endowment for the Arts as it works to formalize training and standards for arts health practitioners. The group has reported a recent rise in the number of medical centers and clinical environments around the nation that are incorporating art into their facilities.

Lupines, poppies

Art has been a component of health-care since the founding of the Peninsula Community Hospital in Carmel. When it opened in 1934, it displayed donated works from local artists. The first painting of the collection now hangs prominently at CHOMP. “Lupines and Poppies by the Sea,” a massive, vivid oil on canvas by Ferdinand Burgdorff, was painted in 1930 and donated when the Carmel facility opened.

Art for the hospital was acquired throughout the 1950s, 60s and 70s, and was a priority of its first CEO, Thomas Tonkin. It was a major component when

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Montage art and music program manager Elizabeth Denholm is seated in front of Ferdinand Burgdorff’s “Lupines and Poppies by the Sea,” the first painting ever donated to the extensive collection.



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cantly. Alcoholics Anonymous was founded in 1935 and popularized the notion that addiction isn't a lack of willpower, but a spiritual issue that can be remedied by strict abstinence, achieved and maintained by completing a series of 12 steps.

The group's peer-led meetings are free and widely available in person and virtually. Participants guard their own and each other's anonymity, going by first names only, and no records are kept. It requires belief in a "higher power," which is open to a range of interpretations, and Bispo said that today's support-group options include some without spiritual overtones and at least one based in Buddhist practices.

Medical and psychological in- and out-patient treatment programs are available, as well. Davis and Bispo noted that while it can be hard to find recovery programs that accept Medicare, CHOMP does.

Taking away the fun

Medication-based treatments include Antabuse, a drug that makes users extremely ill if they consume alcohol. Some other medications, like naltrexone, work by keeping the user from feeling pleasure in drinking, lowering the desire to have that cocktail. The person will be impaired, but the pleasant "high" or "buzzed" feeling that accompanies it is deadened. As one clinic advertised on its website, "It's no fun."

For those whose drinking is problematic, abstinence is still the goal — and, as Bispo said, there is no health condition that alcohol makes better. However, she added, when the person's goal is not to quit drinking, but they are interested in what's called "harm reduction," some options can include: drinking less, not drinking and driving, and avoiding combining alcohol with other drugs.

Judgment has largely been removed from the equation. Both Bispo and Da-

vis said that shaming someone is simply counterproductive. Once-popular "interventions," structured interactions where loved ones confronted a person about his or her drinking, are mostly out. "It's just piling on a mountain of shame," said Davis.

Bispo said she takes a nonjudgmental approach, listening and being curious. "People are afraid," she said. "Life has become so hard for them, that what they're looking forward to is drinking. We're not going to try to just rip that away. It's not, 'You need to,'" she said, shaking a finger. She paused and commented, "I would run away, too."

Instead, she invites the person to talk about their experiences, and supports and encourages them in their efforts to make changes.

Finally, Davis noted that the beverage-service business has started making adjustments that can support people who are trying to cut down or quit drinking — "mocktails" are becoming trendier, and choosing not to imbibe isn't a big deal anymore, so that someone's social life may not have to change completely. He said that pseudo-alcoholic drinks may be triggers for some people, but having alternatives is helpful for others.

If you have questions or concerns about alcohol use for yourself or someone else, call Community Hospital Recovery Center at (831) 625-4608. Resources and information is also available at montagehealth.org/bhs.



Roger Davis



Ann Bispo

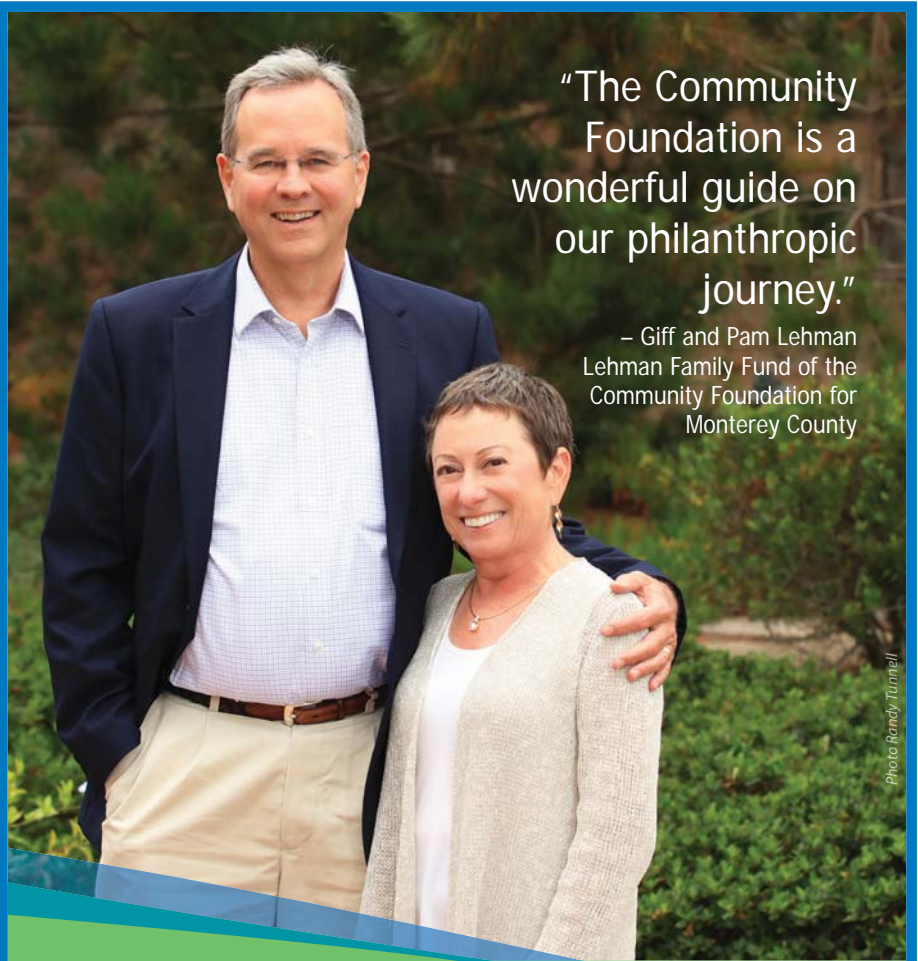



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HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

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CHOMP opened in 1962 on land donated by the Pebble Beach Co.

In 1983, heirs of former hospital trustee Maurine Church Coburn gifted an endowment in her name to fund positive patient experiences, including art and gardens. All new acquisitions for Montage’s art collection, which is displayed not only at CHOMP, but at facilities at Ryan Ranch and elsewhere, are funded through the proceeds of the Church Coburn Endowment.

Getting abstract

Initially, the Montage collection was

global in nature, infused with many local works, but also featuring some collected by Tonkin on his travels or donated by patients. In the last decade or so, the emphasis has shifted, and most new acquisitions are created by local artists, Denholm said.

Denholm said Montage is looking to deepen its collection in three areas: Regional landscapes, photography — including works from the Center for Photographic Art in Carmel — and abstracts.

“People coming here can have wildly varied experiences, both happy and challenging, and people can have heightened emotions,” Denholm said. “People can bring their own experiences to connect to

abstract art, and the artwork can meet them where they are, emotionally.”

Denholm said art is carefully curated in collaboration with clinicians to fit the needs of patients in each area. At the Center for Women’s Health and the Breast Care Center, colorful works were created by women artists. Florals and abstracts fill the space, including a sculpture affectionately known as “Rosie” decoupaged in floral prints by Carmel artist Kay Villalobos, a patient at the clinic. Patients most frequently come in for mammograms and often are anxious about both the procedure and results. “We want to create a calm, comfortable environment and give people something to

contemplate while they are waiting,” Denholm said.

The Family Birth Center’s figurative art was recently replaced with abstract works. “We want to provide interesting, provocative things to look at. Someone could be walking these halls for hours while they are in labor.” The collection there includes many yellows, pinks, lavenders and light blues. A massive floral in graphite and pastel by Carmel artist Susan Manchester is in the waiting area. Vivid prints of flowers and colorful backgrounds by California artist Robert Kushner line the halls.

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From a new mural by Leah Rosenberg (left) at the new Ohana youth mental health facility, to Emile Norman’s sculptures, Montage’s art greets visitors to its locations throughout the Peninsula.

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HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

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Throughout the busy waiting areas of Ryan Ranch’s Building A, which houses internal medicine and specialists’ offices, works by students of the Scientific Illustration Program at California State University Monterey Bay depicting local flora and fauna in detail — butterflies, birds, plants — are on view.



Montage clients and visitors find art around every corner, in patient rooms (top) and in lobbies.

Next is a complete reinstallation of the artwork in Westland House, a skilled-nursing rehabilitation center in Monterey that also provides services to the terminally ill. Works are being placed for patients and their families to provide “hope and lightness in difficult times,” Denholm said.

She has a staff of three people responsible for the framing, installation, preservation and curation of the collection’s

works. But the program doesn’t stop there. Denholm also oversees a component that includes commissioning poetry to hang on the walls of some spaces, such as the new Ohana youth mental health complex.

And, she manages the “music-at-the bedside” program, which brings trained musicians, accredited in music therapy, to play live for patients in their rooms seven days a week. A recorded concert of guitar and harp music can be played through the televisions in patients’ room and can be accessed by family or community members, who can connect to it online with a QR code.

As with the visual art, music instills a restful feeling, reduces stress and provides a positive focal point for people experiencing pain. Some patients find the music lulls them to sleep — something that’s often dif-

ficult in a hospital, Denholm said. “We call it our lullaby station.”

She is working on an online digital catalogue of the Montage art collection that will be accessible by anyone, from anywhere. They also hope to train volunteer docents to conduct art tours.

The Montage Art Program is a component of the Montage Health Foundation and is made possible entirely by gifts and foundation endowment proceeds.

“All of our projects aim to inspire or heal,” said foundation director Michele Young. “We look for big new ideas in healthcare and how we can engage the community, enhance care, and add value. We also work with artists and our clinicians to create a program that both benefits and reflects the interests of this magical creative community where we live.”

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Rickie Lee returns, master visits Sand Box, ukuleles unite at Cherry Center

SIX MONTHS after making her local debut at Sunset Center, singer **Rickie Lee Jones** plays Thursday, 8 p.m., at the Golden State Theatre in Monterey.

Jones is best known for her 1979 Top 10 hit, “Chuck E’s In Love,” which earned her critical acclaim, along with

Best Traditional Pop Vocal Album.

Tickets start at \$55. The theater is located at 417 Alvarado St. Call (831) 649-1070 or visit sunsetcenter.org.



Grammy Award-winning singer Rickie Lee Jones takes the stage Thursday, 8 p.m., at Golden State Theatre in Monterey.

On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

four Grammy Award nominations and was a winner of the award for Best New Artist.

The singer earned a second Grammy for Best Vocal Jazz Performance in 1990 for her duet with singer Dr. John on “Makin’ Whoopee.” Her most recent album, last year’s “Pieces of Treasure,” was nominated for a Grammy for



A master at playing the marimba, Ksenija Komljenović performs Monday, 7 p.m., at the Sand Box in Sand City.

■ Let the melee begin

The Carl Cherry Center for the Arts celebrates “the world’s friendliest instrument” Friday, 7 p.m., and Saturday at 2 p.m. when it hosts its annual Ukulele Melee. The lineup of performers includes **Dixie Dixon** — who founded the event — **Steve Mortensen**, **Pamela Forman**, **Sandor Nagyszalanczy**, **Karen Lehman**, **The Haole Harmony Trio**, **Michael Wynia**, **Steven Strauss** and **Greg Pratt**.

Tickets are \$30. Call (831) 624-7491 or visit carlcherrycenter.org. The center is located at Fourth and Guadalupe.

■ Marimba magic

Acclaimed for her skill at playing the marimba, **Ksenija Komljenović** of Serbia performs Monday, 7 p.m., at the Sand Box in Sand City. The program includes compositions by Bach, Philip Glass and others. She will be joined on two pieces by cellist and Sand Box founder **Michelle Djokic**. “This is an extraordinary opportunity to hear a marimba in the hands of one of the most recognized percussionists in the world,” Djokic said.

Tickets are \$40 for general admission and \$25 for students and active military. The Sand Box is located at 440 Ortiz Ave. sandboxsand-city.com.

■ Live music July 26-Aug. 1

Albatross Ridge Winery and Kitchen in Monterey — singer and guitarist **Johan Sotelo** (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Dan Cioper** (Saturday at 6 p.m.). 316 Alvarado St.

Barmel — singer and guitarist **Kyle Kovalik** (Sunday at 7 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Tony Burciaga** (Thursday at 7 p.m.). In Carmel Square on San Carlos just north of Seventh.

Bernardus Lodge & Spa in Carmel Valley — pianist **Michael Culver** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **Richard**

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Happy hour at Brophy’s, calamari, and a summer stone fruit menu

EIGHT YEARS after opening under its current ownership, Brophy’s Tavern at San Carlos and Fourth has introduced a happy hour menu. The pub, arguably the best place in town to watch sports and drink with friends and strangers at the bar, or grab a casual snack, lunch or dinner, is now offering deals on food and beverages Monday through Thursday between 3 and 5 p.m.

The menu is short, with house wines poured for \$8, well cocktails also offered for \$8, and draft beers of Coors Light for \$5 and Scrimshaw for \$6.

Soup to Nuts

Bites going for \$10 apiece include artichoke and spinach dip with crostini, truffle fries, and two sliders, while Pig Wings — a chicken-wing-inspired twist on pieces of bone-in pork — are \$15 for a pair.

Making Brophy’s particularly popular with locals is its mug club in which members receive discounts on food and draft beer. The waitlist is said to be long, but anyone who’s interested in being added to it should ask a bartender.

Find more information at brophystavern.com.

Car Week at the wharf

Old Fisherman’s Wharf in Monterey will be the place to go for “Cars, Cocktails and Calamari” Aug. 9-18. The past will meet the present two ways — first, from Aug. 4 through 17, classic cars will be on display right next door at Custom House Plaza, with RM Sotheby’s Auction featuring some if its offerings. Also on the 17th, local maritime historian Tim Thomas will lead a free two-hour Wharf Walk, where he’ll provide insights into Monterey’s squid industry — and he usually makes history quite entertaining. Reservations are required by calling Thomas at (831) 521-3304 or emailing timsardine@yahoo.com. The tour is for ages 10 and up.

Wharf businesses will offer special car-themed cocktails and other promotions and are sponsoring an exceptionally brief “essay contest.” To enter, you’ll need a digital photo of your favorite car and up to three sentences explaining why it’s special to you. Send everything in an

email to info@montereywharf.com Aug. 9-18. The top three winners will receive \$100, \$50, and \$25 in “Wharf Dollars,” respectively. They can be used at any merchant on the wharf.

Bernardus tastes like summer

As July winds down and August (and all the cars in the whole wide world) approaches, Bernardus Lodge at 415 Carmel Valley Road is getting ready to change up the monthly tasting menu at Lucia Restaurant and Bar. For July, you can still make a reservation to try executive chef Christian Ojeda’s stone fruits dinner. It starts with a salad of grilled nectarines, pork guanciale (smoked pork jowl, comparable to prosciutto), and a bing cherry vinaigrette, followed by prawn ceviche, and then a main course of Niman Ranch pork tenderloin with braised red cabbage and brown butter apricots. Dessert is bourbon peach galette with house-made raspberry swirl ice cream. August’s menu isn’t up yet, but will feature another summer favorite, corn. By September, Ojeda expects to be moving into tomato territory, followed by artichokes in October, squash in November and cauliflower in December. The tasting menu is priced at \$125 per person, plus tax and gratuity. Reserve at bernarduslodge.com.

Chowder cook-off

Do you make a mean pot of clam chowder? Would you put yours up against the best of the best? Cru Winery wants your original recipe for a chowder cook-off.

To enter, go to cruwinery.com/contest and submit your recipe before midnight on Aug. 6. Two finalists will be selected from among the entrants and will receive a three-night, two-day stay for two people at a Monterey hotel. They’ll go head to head at the tasting room at 37500 Foothill Road in Soledad on Sept. 21 from noon

to 3 p.m. The grand prize winner will get “a Cru Winery gift” and a subscription to Real Good Fish, a service that provides locally caught seafood to its members, much like some farms offer subscriptions for boxes of produce.

Entries will be judged on creativity, quality and how well each recipe pairs with chardonnay — you might have to do some taste testing.

If you just want to attend the September cook-off, there’s a link on the contest web page to purchase tickets, which are \$55 apiece (there’s an unspecified discount for wine club members). In addition to the competition, there

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Old Fisherman’s Wharf in Monterey is sending out a multiple-tentacled appeal to lovers of old automobiles and calamari to attend its Car Week celebration from Aug. 9-18. In addition to restaurant and drink specials, wharf merchants are running a car-related essay contest, and historian Tim Thomas is giving a free wharf walk.



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The Cost is \$35 per person or \$25 per wine club member and includes a cheese plate.



Brophy's Tavern at San Carlos and Fourth has launched a new happy hour menu, with drink specials and \$10 snack options, including sliders, truffle fries and more.



Cru Winery's tasting room outside of Soledad has remarkable views along with popular wines. In September, it'll be the scene of a clam-chowder clash, and you can enter by sending in your original recipe for consideration. The room is also hosting special tastings, including a freebie for educators.

■ **Made in Sonoma, grown in Monterey**

Clarice Wine Co. may be new to you, but its pinot noirs come from vineyards including names familiar to anyone who loves the Santa Lucia Highlands: Garys' and Rosella's. The Garys, of course, are Gary Francioni and Gary Pisoni, lifelong friends who have been growing pinot noir together on 50 acres near River Road in the Salinas Valley since 1996. Rosella's — named for Francioni's wife — isn't far away, with 50 acres of pinot noir, syrah and chardonnay planted the same year.
Clarice was founded by Adam Lee (formerly of Siduri Wines in Sonoma),

a winemaker with cult status in the world of collectors who is also respected by his peers. Likable, intelligent and committed to his craft, he is producing exceptional pinot noirs at Clarice from some of the best vineyards in the state — those in our backyard.
According to Lee, "My philosophy is that wine should have characteristics of the place it's from." Per the Santa Lucia Highlands Wine Artisans trade organization, that means "richness, silky texture, vibrant red fruit flavors, subtle earthiness and warm spice characteristics."
Lee regularly walks the vineyards with Gary's son, Adam Francioni. The trust between them is rare and probably due to the fact that Lee has been working with the Francionis for more than 20 years. According to Lee, "I don't really need to come down here as often as I do to see the vineyard, because I already know the quality of the farming that they do, but it feels right to me. Otherwise, when I get the grapes at harvest, it would be kind of like dancing before you've heard the music. But this way, I hear the music all along by coming here throughout the season and when harvest comes, I can just start dancing."
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■ **Folktale does yoga**

Want to unwind this Sunday? Folktale Winery hosts weekly Yoga in the Vines sessions from 10 to 11:15 a.m.
The classes are led by teachers from Salty Soul Sanctuary, which has its studio in Carmel Plaza in the former Seaside Yoga Sanctuary location.
Class prices are set by Salty Soul based on how often you want to take classes with them, and registration is at the studio's website, saltiesoulsanctuary.com, via the Schedule tab.
After yoga, you can hang around in the wine garden, buy a nosh or a glass of wine and maybe listen to a little jazz.

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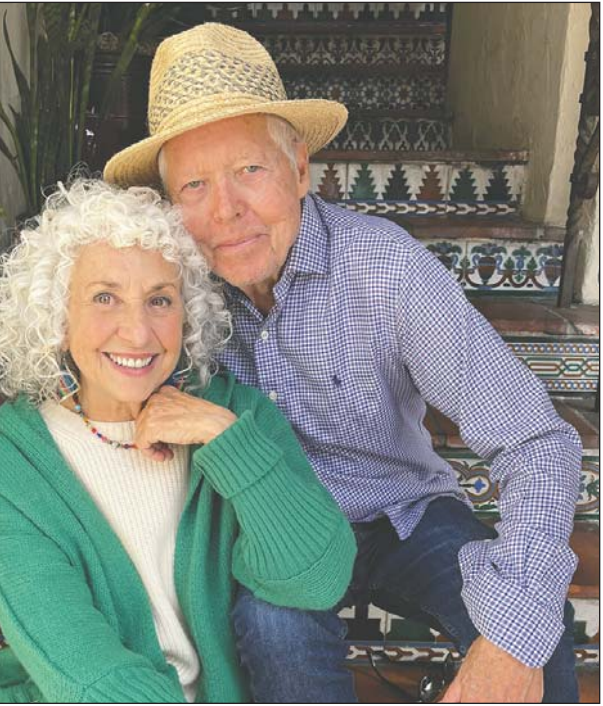
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DeVinck (classical, Saturday at noon), pianist **Martan Mann** (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **John Sherry** (rock, folk and blues, Sunday at noon). 415 W. Carmel Valley Road.

Big Sur River Inn — **Along Came Betty** (jazz, Sunday at 12:30 p.m.). 46800 Highway 1.



Andrea's Fault Duo performs on Mondays, 6 p.m., at Julia's Vegetarian Restaurant in Pacific Grove.

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.

Carmel Plaza — **The Money Band** (pop and rock, Friday at 5 p.m.). Ocean and Mission.

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 — **Monterey County Line** (country and rock, 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.

Deja Blue in Seaside — singer and bassist **Greg Simmons**, guitarist **Bobby Young**, keyboardist **Lorenzo Hawkins** (blues, r&b and funk, Sunday at 3 p.m.). 500 Broadway Ave.

Embassy Suites in Seaside — the monthly jazz jam will celebrate drummer **Andy Weis'** 70th birthday (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.

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Folktale Winery in Carmel Valley — **The Jesse DeCarlo Funk Quartet** (jazz



Singer and guitarist Linda Arceo plays a solo show Saturday, 6 p.m., at the Puma Road wine tasting room at Portola Plaza in Monterey.

and funk, Friday at 4 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Rory Lynch** (Saturday at 2 p.m.), **The Monterey Jazz Festival Regional All-Stars** (Sunday at 11 a.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

Gusto Pasta and Pizza in Seaside — singer and guitarist **Al James** and bassist **Jesse DeCarlo** (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.

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

Il Vecchio Restaurant in Pacific Grove — **The Cena Jazz Trio** (Thursday at 6 p.m.). 110 Central Ave.

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

Juice 'n' Java in Pacific Grove — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Bronwyn** (Friday at 4:30 p.m.), Open Mic (Friday at 7 p.m., sign up by 5:30 p.m.), flutist **Kenny Stahl** and friends (jazz, Saturday at 6:30 p.m.), **The Zach Westfall Duo** (jazz, Sunday at 11 a.m.). 599 Lighthouse Ave.

Julia's Vegetarian Restaurant in Pacific Grove — singer and guitarist **Rags Rosenberg** (Friday at 7 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kevin Smith** (Saturday at 6 p.m.) **Andrea's Fault Duo** ("folky stuff mixed with surprises," Monday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Rachel Williams** (Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.), singer and guitarist

Rick Chelew (Thursday at 6 p.m.). 1180 Forest Ave.

The Links Club — **The New Wave Band** ('80s & '90s hits Friday at 7 p.m.), **The Surf Monsters** (surf rock, Saturday at 7 p.m.), Singer-Songwriter Showcase (Tuesday at 7 p.m.). Carmel Plaza, Mission and Ocean.

The Lodge at Pebble Beach — singer and guitarist **Kip Allert** (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Scott Slaughter** (Saturday at 6 p.m.). In the Terrace Lounge at 1700 17 Mile Drive.

Lucy's on Lighthouse in Pacific Grove — singer and guitarist **Lisa Long** (Saturday at 2 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Eddie Guitierrez** (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 **Lauri Hofer-Romero** and guitarist **Sam Nilsson** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.), saxophonist **Arman Sangalang** and guitarist **Adam Astrup** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St.

The Henry Miller Library in Big Sur — mandolinist **Dave Holodiloff** and friends pay tribute to the legacy of the late Jerry Garcia (bluegrass, Sunday at 7 p.m., Thursday at 7 p.m.). 48603 Highway 1.

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.

Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa — pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz, Friday at 5 p.m.), singer and pianist **Scott Brown** (jazz and pop, Saturday at 5 p.m.). 400 Cannery Row.

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 **Matt Masih** (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Linda Arceo** (Saturday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **Glenn Bell** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.). 281 Alvarado St.

Salty Seal Pub in Monterey — **Sixth Street Alternative** ('90s to contemporary rock, Friday at 8 p.m.), **Blind Pass** (rock, Saturday at 8 p.m.), **The Edge Band** (rock, 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 — **Mixtape** (pop and rock, Saturday at 9 p.m. and Thursday at 8:30 p.m.), **The Stingrays** (rock, Sunday at 8:30 p.m.), **The Long Distance Flyers** (classic rock, Monday at 8:30 p.m.), **The Pacific Jack Band** (classic rock, Tuesday at 8:30 p.m.), **5 Star** (rock and soul, Wednesday at 8:30 p.m.). 700 Cannery Row.

St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church in Carmel Valley — soprano **Molly Quinn** and organist **Ben Sheen** (classical, Sunday at 3 p.m.). Tickets are \$25. 28005 Robinson Canyon Road. Call (831) 626-6646.

Trailside Cafe in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Tom Faia** and singer **Kate Miller** (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Lindsay Beery** (Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place.

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

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S/Meral Alpay, CEO
Date: July 8, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 10, 2024.
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. 24CV003006
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, LORENZO MOSLEY, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A.Present name: LORENZO MOSLEY
Proposed name: LORENZO HUNTER
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING:
DATE: Sept. 13, 2024
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
DEPT: 14
The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone.
(s) Thomas W. Wills
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: July 19, 2024
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The Cypress Fire Protection District (CFPD; a local government entity) encompasses the areas of unincorporated Carmel, Jack's Peak/Aguajito and Josselyn Canyon/Del Monte Fairways. The District is responsible for providing fire protection, fire prevention, and first responder emergency medical services. The Board meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of every other month at 2:00 p.m. at the Rio Road fire station, 3775 Rio Road, Carmel, CA.

Candidates must be a resident of the District, a citizen of the United States and a registered voter.

For more information, interested individuals may contact the Cypress Fire Protection District Assistant Fire Chief or the Secretary of the Board at 831-333-4621 or stop by the District's office at 2221 Garden Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

Scott Hanham
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■ Albatross Ridge release party

Albatross Ridge winery will hold a release party celebrating its new brut rosé and “pet nat” sparkling rosé Saturday from 5 to 8 p.m. at its Monterey tasting room on Alvarado Street.

The “Evening of Elegance at Albatross Ridge Winery & Kitchen,” is set for July 27.

“Immerse yourself in a night of celebration with live music performed by the talented Dan Cioper,” Nicole Huebner, the winery’s events director, said. “Enjoy the perfect blend of summer vibes, delectable flavors and exceptional wines in the company of fellow enthusiasts.”

Tickets are \$60 for wine club members and \$100 for nonmembers. Tickets are available at albatrossridge.com and the winery’s tasting rooms in Monterey, downtown Carmel and Carmel Valley Village.

■ Pups and Pints

Other Brother Beer at 877 Broadway in Seaside is sponsoring its monthly Pups and Pints get-together, where you can enjoy one of the brewery’s craft beers and meet adoptable pets from Animal Friends Rescue Project. Anyone who donates to AFRP gets a token for 15 percent off Other Brother purchases. The event runs from 5 to 7 p.m. on Aug. 2.

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

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July 27 – Carmel Valley Guys Classic and blessing of the cars to benefit Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula and the charities it supports. Event, set for 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the church, 4590 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel, will offer games, prizes, barbecue lunch, music, collectible memorabilia, silent auction and voting for favorite car. Featuring the Wayne Rainey and Robb Talbot Motorcycle Collection. To register or sponsor, contact Carolyn or Richard at cm_gray@msn.com or (831) 659-1469.

July 27 – Del Rey Oaks annual garage sale will take place 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. CITY-WIDE. At this 1.1 square mile event encompassing the whole community you get an average of 80 garages sales in a single day. You don't want to miss it!"

July 27 – Jones & Terwilliger Galleries host a reception for Dutch artist Ton Dubbeldam, 1 to 4 p.m. In his 40-year career as a painter, Ton Dubbeldam developed his own style with a combination of realism, impressionism, pointillism and luminism. New collection features more than 20 paintings. Jones & Terwilliger is on Sixth between San Carlos and Dolores, Carmel-by-the-Sea. (831) 626-9100

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July 28 – St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church: Soprano Molly Quinn and Organist Benjamin Sheen will present a recital of sacred songs, arias and chants and theater music at 3 p.m. Reception with the artists follows. \$25 at the door. Students and under 18 free. 28005 Robinson Canyon Road, Carmel Valley. stdcv.org.

Aug. 1 – The World Affairs Council of the Monterey Bay Area (WACMB) presents a lecture / dinner titled "Navigating the Geopolitical Impact of Artificial Intelligence," by Russell Wald of the Stanford Institute for Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence, at the Hilton Garden Inn at 1000 Aguajito Road in Monterey. Event information and registration at www.wacmb.org.

Aug. 3 – Monterey Elks Lodge Rummage Sale event is set for 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Monterey Elks Lodge, 150 Mar Vista Drive, Monterey. Sandwich, chips, cookie & soda available for \$10. For more information, please call Carol Mendoza, (831) 373-1285

Aug. 4 – The Monterey County Composer's Forum presents "A Gust of August," 3 p.m. Local composers and songwriters include Canright, Chaidez, Gatica, Kaiser, Macy, Moncrief, Ovens, Roseman and Victorine. Guest performers: YMMC Flute Duo and Guitar Ensemble Monterey. Hidden Valley, 104 West Carmel Valley Road; \$15. Info: Macy@ma-calester.edu.

Aug. 10 – Chamisal Tennis & Fitness Club 50th Anniversary Celebration, 1 to 6 p.m. at the club, 185 Robley Road, Salinas, CA 93908 (Corral De Tierra). Free to public. RSVPs preferred. Call (831) 484-1135

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‘Double Vision’ opens at museum, explores creative partnerships

WHILE ART is often a solo pursuit, creative inspiration can be ignited by a meeting of the minds — as it does in the exhibit, “Double Vision,” which opens Thursday at the Monterey Museum of Art.

Examining the relationship between two important local artists, the museum said painter Henrietta Shore and photographer Edward Weston “became

my gallery for a BBC special feature on Carmel was fantastic,” Bradford posted July 10 on social media.

She told The Pine Cone that the production crew reached out to her about the filming, and it took place over two days. Bradford said Swank and the film crew also visited her sister Cyndra’s nearby Galerie Plein Air.

In one clip, Swank and Bradford have an impromptu conversation.

“We didn’t rehearse,” said the painter, who was raised in Big Sur by parents who were artists. “We walked around the gallery and talked about the art, and we talked about the magic of Carmel — it was fun. She was really down to earth.”

Swank earned Academy Awards for Best Actress for her roles in “Boys Don’t Cry” (1999) and Clint Eastwood’s “Million Dollar Baby” (2004). The actress married Philip Schneider at the Saint Lucia Preserve in 2018.

■ One last weekend

The Center for Photographic Art is hosting a closing reception Saturday for a retrospective exhibit of Brian Taylor’s images. A former executive director for the CPA, Taylor unveiled his show June 7. “Brian will lead an exciting, fast-paced gallery tour of the exhibition filled with fascinating backstories highlighting several pieces of his newest work that he didn’t mention in his previous talk,” executive director Ann Jastrab reported.

The gallery, which is open Wednesday through Sunday from noon to 4 p.m., is located in Sunset Center at San Carlos and Ninth. For more details, visit [photography.org](#).



Actress Hilary Swank is working on a documentary, and recently filmed a part of it at Delia Bradford Fine Arts.

Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

fast friends” around 1930, often “spending many hours together exploring Point Lobos.” Displaying pieces by both artists from the museum’s permanent collection, “Double Vision” shows how the two artists bonded over “a shared reverence for nature and a commitment to pushing the boundaries of artistic expression.”

The show also delves into the creative spark between two artists who were married, painters Francis and Eugenia McComas. The museum observed that as each grew older, their art became “progressively more colorful and expressive.”

The show will be on display through Dec. 22. The museum is located at 559 Pacific St.

■ Actress films in gallery

Two-time Academy Award-winning actress Hilary Swank was in town recently to shoot a documentary for the BBC, and she and a film crew visited painter Delia Bradford’s downtown gallery on Sixth between San Carlos and Dolores. “Having Hillary Swank in

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