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## The wonders of Car Week on full display



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Classic cars, sleek cars and just plain sexy cars have been seen in all parts of the Peninsula this week, including in downtown Carmel (above and right), and in Pebble Beach Thursday for the start of the Tour d'Elegance (top right). For complete coverage, see our special section.



## Commission relents on Scenic Road gate

■ Tourists peering through windows, asking for restroom, taking selfies on porch

By MARY SCHLEY

AFTER HAVING their request to install a driveway gate at their home on Scenic Road denied by the planning commission earlier this year and then failing to convince the Carmel City Council to overrule that decision, Art and Farah Chadwick prevailed Wednesday afternoon, when planning commissioners approved a modified proposal for the gate.

Since building their home on the west side of the beachfront road north of Eighth a few years ago, the couple have discovered that living in such a high-profile area has its downsides, including tourists walking down their driveway, knocking on their door, asking to use the bathroom and peeking through the windows. To help protect their security and privacy, they sought permission to install a gate across their driveway.

**'I've had people knock on the door and ask to see the inside.'**

Associate planner Evan Kort said the commission's recent practice of generally denying such requests has been based on a belief that gates "create a formal and compound-like appearance." Even though the city has no formal policies or laws banning them, commissioners have "adopted findings that gates are not consistent with the city's design objectives for the protection and enhancement of the urbanized forest," he said. However, Kort noted, each project is considered on a site-specific basis, and he made no recommendations regarding approval or denial.

### Pedestrians overstepping

At the Aug. 14 meeting, Art Chadwick said he and his wife have had homes in Carmel for 17 years and spent seven years on Carmelo Street, which sees far less foot traffic.

"Scenic is really a unique street. I've had people walk up to the home, knock on the door, ask to use the bathroom — people who knock on the door and want to see the inside of the house," he said. "I had an elderly couple that walked down the side, cupped their hands on the windows

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## Feds condemn CUSD's handling of antisemitism

By MARY SCHLEY

CARMEL UNIFIED School District failed miserably at addressing antisemitic and racist graffiti and hate speech at Carmel High School, according to a highly critical 13-page letter from the U.S. Department of Education Office of Civil Rights that reviewed 15 incidents at the school and administrators' responses to them.

At Wednesday night's CUSD Board of Education meeting, superintendent Sharon Ofek, who took over the job in February, said such mistakes won't recur.

"There is no room for discrimination of any kind in our

community or in our schools," she said Aug. 14. "I believe in fostering a cooperative and productive culture, which begins with how we raise our children and is further influenced by our educational environment."

Ofek said she is "deeply heartbroken by these incidents," and "profoundly disappointed that these counter-productive attitudes were allowed to persist within our district for a period of time."

### Records lacking

A 2021 complaint to the Office of Civil Rights regarding the district's failure to address swastikas graffitied in a bathroom prompted the investigation of that incident and similar occurrences during the 2021-2022 and 2023-2024 school years.

According to the letter, "'hate graffiti' in the form of 'the n-word or swastikas'" was found in one or more of the CHS restrooms on four occasions in October 2021, the district suspended a student on Nov. 5, 2021, for "drawing a swastika on plastic and transferring the inked image onto another student's skin," and on Nov. 30 that year, a teacher

See SCHOOLS page 24A

## Fast-growing Marina puts \$50M bond on ballot

■ Needs new police, fire stations

By CAITLIN CONRAD

THE MARINA City Council voted earlier this month to place a \$50 million bond measure on the Nov. 5 ballot. The money would be spent on new infrastructure in a coastal city in the midst of a housing boom.

Dollars from the bond would be used to build fire and police stations, as well as a community center. Incorporated in 1975, Marina still uses facilities constructed decades ago, when it was a much smaller town of just 10,000 residents.

### Booming population

Today, more than 23,000 people live there, and with two major housing projects nearing completion on property inherited from the former Fort Ord, and a third about to begin at the north end of town, Marina's population will continue to grow. The Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments estimates it will reach 30,000 by 2045.

Marina officials said the city's dilapidated emergency infrastructure is already having an impact on 911 response times. In the last eight years, emergency calls have increased 50 percent, and the city is no longer meeting the national standard response time of five minutes. Instead, firefighters and paramedics are getting on scene eight to 10

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## Panetta sees Ukraine destruction, meets Zelenskyy

By KELLY NIX

REP. JIMMY Panetta and other members of Congress spent five days in Ukraine last week to meet with the country's president, Volodymyr Zelenskyy, members of the military, and civilians who have been affected by a 2-and-a-half-year-old conflict with Russia.

Panetta, a Democrat, visited Ukraine with Utah Republican Celeste Maloy and New Jersey Democrat Donald Norcross Aug. 3-9 to affirm the United States' support for its ally and survey the destruction the war has caused. Russia launched its unprovoked invasion of the country in February 2022. The war has killed more than 500,000 Ukrainians and Russians.

### 'Soldiers, sailors and citizens'

"It was very impactful to spend time not only in the country, but also with the people of Ukraine, including its leadership, its soldiers, sailors, veterans and citizens,

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During a trip to Ukraine last week, Rep. Jimmy Panetta met with Ukraine Pres. Volodymyr Zelenskyy to express America's support for the country.

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# Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

## Little big man

It's hard to judge his size in photos. It's actually hard to judge his size in person. Kind of a tall, oddly long Chihuahua, his person says, with the length and skinniness of a wiener dog but with longer legs, his look is the unlikely outcome of a chow chow-Chihuahua-Pekinese-poodle mix. Don't overthink it.

Mostly, his person says, he's really cute.

Jax came home to Carmel-by-the-Crossroads from a rescue organization near Berkeley just over a year ago. His person had asked her partner if she'd "just hate it" if they got a puppy to balance the energy of Callie, their border collie.

"Hate" is such a strong word. They signed up for the dog a day later.

"We've already had him too long," his person joked, despite the fact that she loves him. "He has no boundaries with others. He's like a little tornado, throwing himself in circles."

They put Jax in with the big dogs at doggie daycare, where he runs with the pack. Even this doesn't seem to wear him out. Another dog owner who frequents the daycare center said he rules the roost. His person says it's a classic Napoleon complex at work.

Apparently Jax has no boundaries at home, either. He thinks the bed, couch, sofa, table, chair — all furni-



ture, actually — are available to him.

"If he can somehow scale a piece of furniture," his person said, "he will."

Meanwhile, Callie, the elder canine citizen, has become a slightly younger dog in Jax's presence. At least for a moment. Then she retreats into her senior self.

Jax's couple, who divide their time between the San Francisco Bay area and Carmel, recently brought Jax to the beach for his first experience by the sea. As soon as he reached the shoreline, he quickly discovered he was not actually in charge.

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# Apps tell Car Week people where to go

By MARY SCHLEY

IT'S FRIDAY of Car Week. Do you know where the traffic is? Or where you need to be? Or even what's going on today? The organization called See Monterey, formerly known as the Monterey County Convention & Visitors Bureau, and Monterey County have developed interactive maps and apps to help keep everyone up to date.

Lindsey Stevens, vice president of marketing and communications for See Monterey, said the tourism agency's interactive map at seemonterey.com breaks down events by day and shows where they are located, along with current traffic conditions.

The Monterey County map at mcar-week.com does the same, albeit in a different format. Clicking on the tab for any day shows which events are scheduled, and clicking on a particular event shows its location on the map.

"We try to provide information for everyone," Stevens said, adding that the crowds who come to the area during Car Week spend an estimated \$65 million here, and the events they patronize benefit numerous charities.

### Law enforcement, too

While those resources can help guide everyone to various Car Week events and avoid traffic jams, law enforcement officers from numerous agencies are out in

large numbers to try to make everyone, including the roughly 85,000 people who flock to the area for its 10 days of automotive events each year, behave.

"We encourage the community to remember the roads are shared," Monterey County Sheriff's Cmdr. Andy Rosas said during a media briefing Wednesday. "Some are not involved in Car Week events at all — they're going to and from school, to and from work," and making other necessary trips during the Monterey Peninsula's busiest time of the year.

"If you see somebody who's driving recklessly, we ask that you make a call using the non-emergency number — (831) 755-5111 — and provide as much information as you can," he added.

### Not everyone is

Carmel Police Department and officers in Monterey recently announced they'll be on the lookout for any motoring scofflaws, and the California Highway Patrol has extra officers on patrol this week. Carmel P.D. also sets up barricades to discourage drag racing and other antics on Ocean Avenue.

Last Wednesday, CHP officer Saul Perez encouraged locals to be patient and to set good examples with their driving.

"Just because you're doing the correct thing doesn't mean everyone else is," he acknowledged. "Don't get involved in road-rage incidents."

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## Police & Sheriff's Log

### Phone scammers are at it again

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.

#### FRIDAY, JULY 26

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Unattended purse found lying in the roadway at Mission and Third. Brought to the station for safekeeping.

**Pacific Grove:** Abandoned vehicle on Lighthouse Avenue was marked.

**Pacific Grove:** A 34-year-old female on Ocean View Boulevard was found to be in possession of a stolen vehicle and was booked into Monterey County Jail on \$15,000 bail.

**Carmel Valley:** Subject was reported and located during a mental-health crisis on Jeanette Road. Subject transported to a local hospital for evaluation.

#### SATURDAY, JULY 27

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Non-injury collision with a runaway truck into a PG&E power pole on Junipero Street. Vehicle was towed away.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Ongoing harass-

ment by electronic communication reported by a victim at Lincoln and Seventh.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report taken at San Carlos and Seventh for a lost backpack.

**Carmel area:** Deputies detained a suspicious person walking away from a Carmel Rancho Lane business that had been recently burglarized.

#### SUNDAY, JULY 28

**Pacific Grove:** Officers were dispatched to conduct a welfare check. A 35-year-old male was arrested at Line and Spencer and booked into Monterey County Jail for various charges, including resisting arrest, possession of methamphetamine and failure to appear on a misdemeanor warrant.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Trespass warning given at Monte Verde and Ocean.

**Pacific Grove:** Dog bite on Lighthouse.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Dog at large at Junipero and Ocean brought to the police department for safekeeping. Owner contact and dog was reunited.

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## The gavel falls

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

**Aug. 8** — Marcus T. Carter, 41 years old and a resident of Antioch, California, entered a plea of no contest to a felony charge of human trafficking of a minor for purposes of commercial sex acts. In addition to admitting that he was sexually exploiting a child, Carter admitted that he suffered a prior prison sentence and that he was previously convicted of a robbery out of Alameda County in 2013, which is a strike pursuant to California's three strikes law.

At the time of his plea, Carter was advised and agreed that this conviction of human trafficking of a minor is also a strike and that it will require him to register as a sex offender for the remainder of his life. Carter will be sentenced to a term of 24 years in state prison.

At approximately 7:30 p.m. on April 10, 2021, Jane Doe escaped to a gas station around Kern Street in the City of Salinas and called 911 seeking police assistance. Salinas Police officer Jonathan Tuiolosgea responded and met with Doe. Doe, who had just turned 13 years old, had two black eyes and a swollen jaw. Doe reported that Carter had taken her from Stockton and had forced

her to engage in commercial sex acts with buyers throughout the State of California and in Reno, Nev., for approximately one or two weeks. Through diligent investigation, Salinas Police officers and detectives learned that Doe was taken by Carter on April 3, 2021. Carter forced her to engage in commercial sex acts in Antioch, Pittsburgh, San Jose, Reno and Salinas, among other cities.

Doe alerted officers at the time of the 911 call that Carter and his associates, two adult females, were in the area possibly in a rental car with Missouri license plates or in one of the females' Jaguars. Officer Luis Dorantes located one of the described vehicles with Carter in it, and he was immediately arrested. Salinas Police detective Luis Toribio and district attorney investigator Pablo Andrade worked with FBI agents to pursue every lead and collect every piece of evidence possible. The evidence collected from Doe, local motels, the female associates, the described vehicles and Carter (including Carter's own cell phone activity) corroborated Doe's statements.

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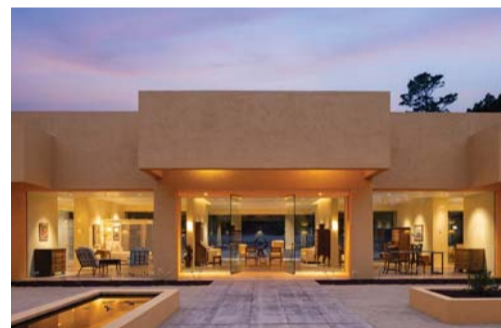
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## Police: Wharf shooting suspect in custody

By MARY SCHLEY

A 23-YEAR-OLD Marina man has been arrested for shooting at a car at the foot of Municipal Wharf 2 and injuring a bystander last Tuesday night, Monterey Police Lt. Jake Pinkas said Wednesday. Roberto Isaac Castro Avila was booked into Monterey County Jail this week for attempted murder and other crimes.

At around 10:30 p.m. Aug. 6, Monterey Police officers rushed to the wharf after receiving reports of gunshots in the area.

"Officers contacted a victim who reported that someone had shot at him while he was in his vehicle," Pinkas said. His car was riddled with bullet holes, but he wasn't injured.

Police then found another person inside London Bridge Pub who had sustained minor injuries from apparently being hit by

fragments of the building after stray bullets struck it.

### 'Worked nonstop'

Since then, "MPD detectives worked the case nonstop and developed information during the investigation that led to the identification of Roberto Isaac Castro Avila as the potential subject who shot the firearm on Aug. 6 on Municipal Wharf No. 2," Pinkas said.

He told The Pine Cone that surveillance cameras and people who saw what happened help detectives identify Avila.

"The investigation through cameras and witnesses revealed he was the shooter," he said.

On Saturday night at around 10, the Monterey Peninsula Regional Special

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## GOVERNOR WAGES WAR ON ILLEGAL WEED

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

GOV. GAVIN Newsom said this week that since January, a state cannabis enforcement team has seized more than \$120 million worth of illegal marijuana and destroyed nearly 37 tons of unlicensed pot.

The state's Unified Cannabis Enforcement Task Force in recent months conducted operations in Mendocino, Tuolumne, Shasta, Orange, Kern, Alameda, Yuba, Trinity, Los Angeles, Butte and Humboldt counties.

### Legal = good

"The legal cannabis market brings billions of dollars to the state's economy, helping to sustain California's position as the fifth-largest economy in the world," Newsom said. "We will not tolerate illegal operations that threaten our economy and

the health and well-being of communities."

The task force's efforts continue to break new ground in unlicensed cannabis enforcement by leveraging the expertise and knowledge of partners to disrupt the unlicensed markets, according to Bill Jones, chief of the law enforcement division with the Department of Cannabis Control.

The governor, his office said, directed state agencies to "aggressively target the organized criminal enterprises involved in the illicit cannabis market."

The illegal schemes not only threaten the legal market, their use of unlawful pesticides and unregulated practices harm California's environment and water quality.

"California is also focused on ending the exploitation of vulnerable workers at these sites who are often victims of labor violations and human trafficking," Newsom's office said.

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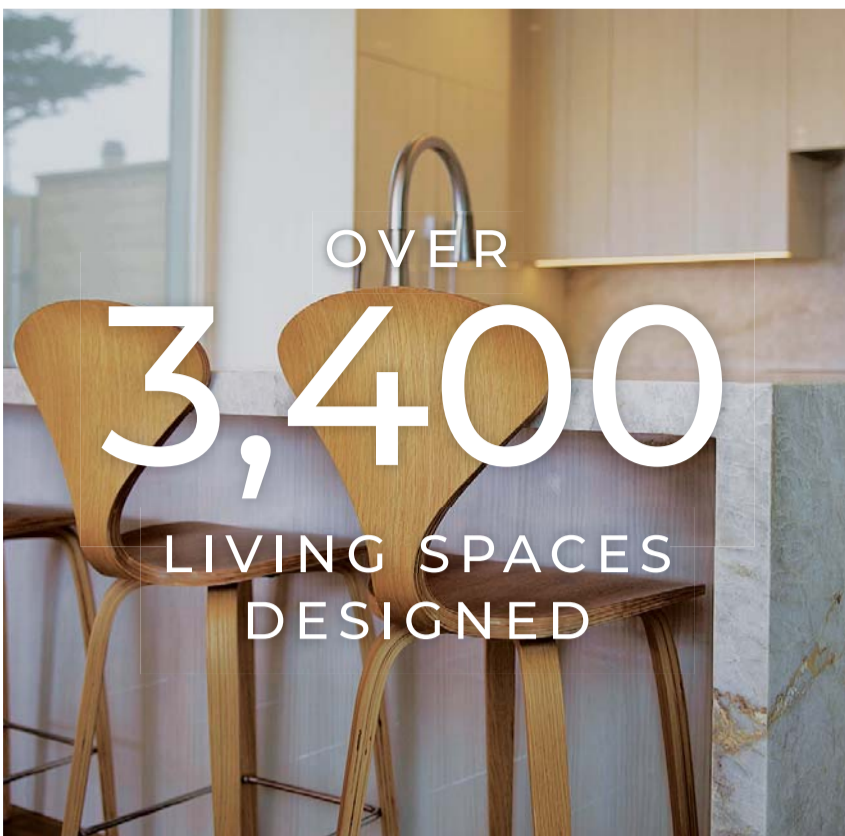
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## Volunteers sought to build playground

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE EFFORT to build an accessible playground in a Carmel Valley park is expected to take a big step forward just weeks from now when the old playground at the site is removed. Demolition is set for Sept. 3. "After years of dedication and hard work, the project is now nearing the finish line," Tatum's Garden Foundation reported.

The foundation, which is coordinating the drive for the new facility, is a big advocate for accessible playgrounds.

"Accessible playgrounds allow for children of all abilities to play side by side," it said. "This teaches children empathy, and it allows grandparents and parents of different abilities to enjoy the park with their little loved ones."

Construction of the new playground is set for Nov. 11-17, with most of the work to be done by volunteers.

"Aside from the laying of the rubberized surface and other pre-build portions, the playground will be built by the community itself in scheduled shifts they sign up for ahead of time," the group said. "This approach not only reduces costs, but also strengthens community bonds as volunteers of all ages and backgrounds work

side by side to bring the project to life."

The park's playing surface will be soft enough to minimize injuries from falls but firm enough for wheelchairs to travel over it. Its centerpiece will be a two-story "Swiss Family Robinson"-themed "tree house," with wheelchair ramps leading to the second floor. It will also include a merry-go-round that accommodates wheelchairs.

The playground will cost an estimated \$800,000 to build, and fundraising has been going well.

"In May, a fundraising event at Joyce Winery raised over \$100,000, followed by the incredible news of a private grant of \$250,000, bringing the total funds raised to over \$660,000," the foundation reported. "With this boost, the project is now 80 percent funded."

### Named for youngster

Now the foundation is seeking people who are willing to donate their time to help with construction — or childcare.

"The committee is actively seeking volunteers to help in various capacities," the group said. "Whether it's building the playground, loaning tools, feeding

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This accessible playground, dubbed Tatum's Treehouse, will soon be built in Carmel Valley, but volunteers are needed to help make it happen.

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# P.G. whales in dire need of repair

By KELLY NIX

**A** ONCE-IMPRESSIVE sculpture in Pacific Grove's Berwick Park that was carved in-situ from the twin trunks of a dead cypress tree is looking worse for wear these days.

The painted wood sculpture of two breaching whales by artists Jorge Rodriguez, Neftali Palomares and Javier Campos was crafted in 2016.

But less than a decade later, the art piece appears to be rotting from the inside out. Numerous cavities are present, the paint is worn, and a pectoral fin of one of the whales recently fell off.

"Maybe it's time to retire the whales," one resident said on social media after seeing their condition.

But Pacific Grove public works director Daniel Gho told The Pine Cone this week that there are plans to renovate the sculpture, which he said would probably cost

less than a few hundred dollars.

"Public works intends to make the repairs to the whale sculpture," Gho explained. "We evaluated it yesterday, and the base is sound. We will reattach the broken fin, fill the holes and touch up the paint."

### \$\$ for maintenance?

The sculpture was crafted from a cypress tree that lost half its canopy.

While the cypress survived for years, a winter storm in January 2016 damaged the rest of it, leaving two large stumps in the middle of Berwick Park. Instead of removing them, the city's Beautification and Natural Resource Commission OK'd a proposal to carve the stumps into breaching whales.

A campaign to raise \$9,000 to pay for the piece and fund future maintenance was launched in 2016. It's unclear if any of that money remains.



A Pacific Grove city official said there are plans to repair this whale sculpture at Berwick Park. A fin of one of the whales has fallen off, and there are numerous holes and other blemishes due to rotten wood. The fixes won't cost much, the official said.

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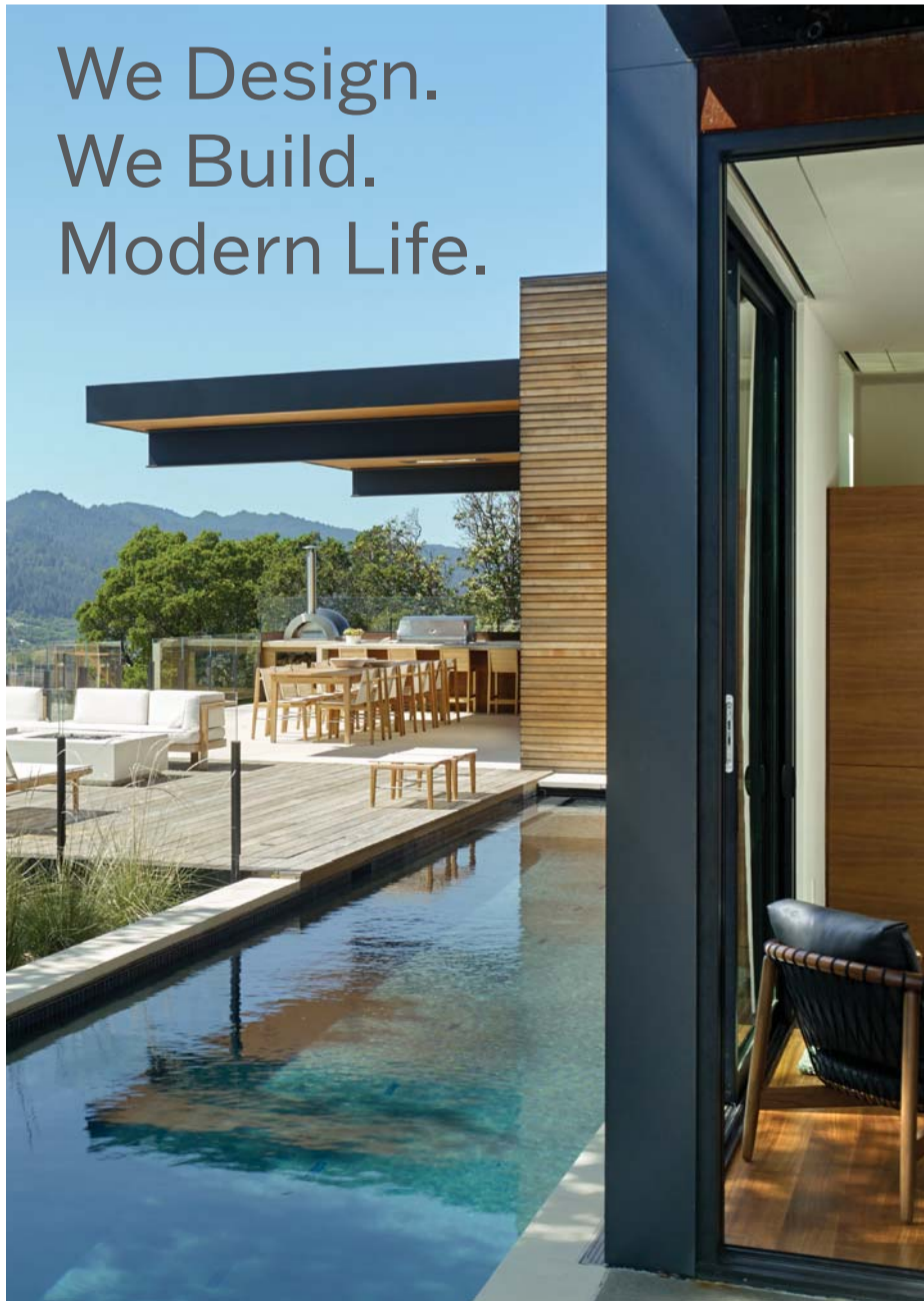
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Our guest, Colonel Bill McArthur, is a veteran of three Space Shuttle missions and one expedition to the International Space Station via the Russian Soyuz capsule, logging 224 days in space. He will discuss the evolution of cooperation in human spaceflight, the new space race, the key players and their goals, and the prospects for fostering collaboration rather than conflict.

Colonel McArthur earned his Bachelor of Science degree in applied science and engineering from the United States Military Academy, West Point, NY, and received his Master of Science in Aerospace Engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology. Following his last space flight he served as Director, Safety and Mission Assurance, Johnson Space Center. He now resides in Friendswood, Texas.

WACMB will accept auditors to this event, requiring notification to the WACMB office no later than **Thursday, August 22 to [www.wacmb.org](http://www.wacmb.org)**  
Auditors will be allowed entry at 6:40 p.m.

## P.G. candidate boasts of anti-Zionism

### ■ ‘Feels like antisemitism’

By KELLY NIX

A CANDIDATE for mayor of Pacific Grove boasted in a social media post about confronting a group of Israeli tourists on vacation in the Philippines, where she was also on a trip.

Dionne Ybarra, who is running for P.G. mayor in the November election, says in a video posted to Instagram that she even ordered the Israeli visitors to “leave the area” after one of them said he had served with the Israeli army in Gaza.

A Jewish resident of P.G. and others have labeled the video offensive.

Since the Oct. 7, 2023, Hamas attack that killed about 1,200 Israelis, Ybarra, 53, has used social media to condemn Israel’s military response, which she has called “apartheid and genocide madness.” Tens of thousands of Palestinians have been killed in the war in Gaza.

### ‘Are you Zionists?’

While Ybarra was in the Philippines, she recorded a video she said was meant to encourage people to “speak our truth” and “protect what’s ours.”

The large number of Israelis in the town, Ybarra said in the video she posted to Instagram June 7, had been a “test” for her and that said she tried working on her “nonjudgment.”

“I can see how people are very racist,” she said, looking into the camera. “Because I want to go there.”

The mayor-hopeful goes on to detail a confrontation with a group of young Israeli tourists she said were in a “public space.”

“Enter four Israelis into the space that I have come to protect over the last month,” she recalled. “I’m aware they are Israelis because of the language, and my heart starts pumping, pumping!”

### ‘Are you Zionists?’

Ybarra said she wanted to “confirm” where they were from, so she asked. After the group responded Israel, she pressed them.

“I’m overseeing children, many of them,” Ybarra said, seemingly implying the tourists somehow posed a threat to the kids. “I just have to ask, are you Zionists?”

Ybarra claimed the group pretended they didn’t understand her.

“Suddenly English becomes very difficult for these people,” she said, before one man asked in English what the term meant to her.

“I’m asking you if you are for or against the genocide of the Palestinians?”

Ybarra said.

The Israeli man responded by saying he was a soldier and had served in Gaza.

“OK, so then it sounds like you are for the genocide of Palestinians,” Ybarra replied.

After the tourist asked the P.G. resident why she was questioning them, she demanded they leave the area.

“I’m going to tell you it’s time for you to go,” Ybarra said she told them.

The group pushed back by bringing up the Hamas attack last fall, but Ybarra said she wasn’t interested in arguing before repeating her demand that they leave.

She claimed one of the tourists, before



Dionne Ybarra

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## PGUSD seeking \$\$\$\$ from taxpayers, raises construction fee

### ■ Declining enrollment in most schools

By KELLY NIX

IN ADDITION to an increase in a developer fee that Pacific Grove Unified School District started collecting last year from anyone who builds or remodels a home or business in town, the school district will ask voters in November to pass a \$78 million bond measure, which extends a \$30 million bond measure residents OK'd just four years ago.

In November 2023, the district began collecting the developer fees, which were set at \$4.79 per square foot for residential construction and 78 cents per square foot for commercial construction. But in May, the school board OK'd an increase to \$5.17 per square foot for residential construction and 84 cents for commercial.

Superintendent Linda Adamson said the fee is increasing so rapidly after last year's rollout because the school board initially adopted a rate that was nearly two years old.

PGUSD said it will use the revenue to pay for construction of new or renovated school facilities made necessary by the new students residential and commercial development will generate.

"New development results in the need for either additional or modernization of school facilities to house new students," according to a 2023 PGUSD study justifying the fee increases. "Because of the high cost associated with school facility projects and the district's limited budget, outside funding sources are required for

school projects. State and local funding sources for the construction and/or reconstruction of school facilities are limited."

But architect Jeanne Byrne, a former Pacific Grove mayor, said the developer fee was a way of addressing large developments with hundreds of homes, not small cities with little new construction, such as Pacific Grove.

"Obviously, Pacific Grove does not have this type of development," Byrne said. "In fact, the school population is dropping."

### 'Can't afford it'

She said that local architects and building officials she's spoken to have complained that the \$5.17 per square foot of new home is "unreasonable." The fee is affecting business, too.

"One project of about 3,000 square feet we were involved in would have had an a \$15,510 school fee added to the cost, on top of all the other planning and building fees, which were about \$20,000," she said. "The homeowners called us and said they can no longer afford to go forward with the project."

Byrne said that none of her clients were aware of the school district's developer fee.

"We were blindsided with yet another fee on top of significant other city fees," she said.

Enrollment at PGUSD schools, currently 1,772, has been declining for several years, although Adamson said there is an increase in the number of kids in kindergarten and transitional kindergarten, and that the trend may continue into next school year.

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So, what does one do about that insufferable insomnia? Is there a (sleep) doctor in the house?

“If you’ve been in bed 20 to 30 minutes and thoughts keep going through your mind, the best thing is to get up,” says Dr. Martin Mwangi, the most recent addition to Montage Medical Group’s sleep specialist team. He joins Montage Medical Group physicians Drs. Mark Garfield and Richard Kanak, who also serves as Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula’s Sleep Disorders Center medical director.

“You go to the living room to restart the sleep process,” Mwangi says.

The living room, though, needs to be dark and quiet. No TV. No phone. No bright lights. Mwangi suggests a relaxing activity like reading or listening to peaceful music.

“You’re winding yourself back down,” he says. “It should be about a 30-minute to 1-hour turnaround.”

But, Mwangi says, restless nights can be avoided all together by adopting healthy sleep habits. He recommends strategies like exercising during the day, avoiding naps, sticking to a consistent sleep schedule, engaging in relaxing pre-bed activities, and ensuring your sleep environment is comfortable with a cool temperature and minimal noise and light.

Mwangi also says that it is important to be mindful of evening routines and to avoid

caffeine, alcohol, nicotine, and heavy or spicy meals.

### When to see a doctor

If you’re doing the right things to ensure a good snooze and you still can’t feel rested, it might be time to see an expert.

“If it’s negatively affecting your life,” Mwangi says, “you should see a sleep doctor.”

For people with insomnia — trouble falling and/or staying asleep — the gold standard for treatment is cognitive behavioral therapy for insomnia (CBTI).

“In CBTI, you’re trained to figure out the patterns that affect your sleep,” Mwangi says. “One at a time you unpack the things that are preventing you from falling asleep — things you’re aware of, things you’re not even considering. It can help you go into sleep more prepared and in a more mindful way.”

Kanak says that when it comes to more serious sleep issues such as insomnia that won’t budge, sleep apnea, narcolepsy, or restless legs, patients can receive testing, sleep studies, therapies, and sleep devices at the Sleep Disorders Center.

“We look at the patient’s entire sleep history and their individual lifestyle factors,” Kanak says. “Somebody with insomnia could have sleep apnea, they could have restless legs, or they could have no specific disorder.”

“Sleep is essential for our health and well-being,” Mwangi says. “It allows our body to repair and our mind to refresh. If you’re struggling with sleep, remember it’s important to seek help. Good sleep is a cornerstone of good health.”

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# Ballot set in historic municipal election

By MARY SCHLEY

FOR THE first time in decades, the ballot for an election of Carmel’s mayor and two councilmembers will see neither council incumbent seeking reelection and will include no female candidates.

With the close of the extended filing period for council Aug. 14, the Nov. 5 ballot was set with three mayoral candidates — incumbent Dave Potter, councilman Jeff Baron and challenger Dale Byrne — and five people vying for council seats: Hans Buder, Bob Delves, Danny Hala, David O’Neil, along with Parker Logan, who qualified for the ballot just before the 5 p.m. deadline.

Logan, who unsuccessfully campaigned for city council in 2022, coming in fourth out of four candidates with 17 percent of the vote, pulled his nomination papers Monday and returned them Wednesday for certification by the Monterey County Elections department.

According to city clerk Nova Romero, 20 of the 30 signatures he obtained were valid, with the remaining 10 disqualified by the elections department for various reasons. Twenty is the minimum required to secure a spot in the election.

### Low-income circus?

In an email to The Pine Cone Thursday, Logan, a 50-year-old registered Republican who owns Sade’s bar on Lincoln Street and lives on Scenic Road, explained why he decided to try again.

“I’m running for council because I believe I can get enough support to ensure that ‘virtue-signaling Hans Buder’ doesn’t get the opportunity to turn Carmel into a low-income housing circus,” he said.

Buder is the spokesman for the Affordable Housing

Alternatives group seeking to identify potential sites so the city doesn’t have to use the Sunset Center and Vista Lobos parking lots for affordable housing.

Some of those who signed Logan’s nomination papers include Carmel Mission Bistro owner Shaheen Alnuaimi, hotel and restaurant operator David Fink, The Stationary owners Anthony and Alissa Carnazzo, Tuck Box owner

Jeff LeTowt, fellow council candidate Danny Hala, David and Julie Castle, and Roy and Grace Kirkorian.

Two candidate forums are scheduled for next month. The Carmel Residents Association will host a forum in the Carmel Woman’s Club Sept. 17, and the Carmel Chamber of Commerce will present one a week later at the Church of the Wayfarer.



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## GATE

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and saw us eating dinner.

"It's very, very intrusive," he continued, asking the commission to make an exception to its past practice and grant the request, given the unique nature of that block.

"What we're proposing is a see-through gate that's waist high, so anyone walking down the street is going to see right over the gate," Chadwick added.

Attorney Deborah Castles argued the gate meets the residential design guidelines for fences, including exhibiting

"interesting craftsmanship and design," not blocking views or creating a walled-off appearance, respecting the context of the neighborhood and maintaining "a sense of openness" and "filtered views into the front garden."

She also pointed out that many homes along that block have solid walls and tall fences facing the street, so a gate wouldn't seem out of place. The property adjacent to theirs also has a driveway gate.

#### 'Have compassion'

The 4-foot-tall gate "made out of bronze and beautifully crafted in a traditional Carmel way could actually make this a more attractive elevation," commented architect Eric Miller, who urged the commission to have compassion for the Chadwicks.

No one from the public spoke, though Diana McCallister, who said she has lived in four different homes on Scenic over the past four decades, sent a letter in support.

"There are definitely some aggressive people that knock on our door and ask to use our bathroom or phone because they have lost theirs," she wrote, adding that she's had passersby pick flowers from her garden, use her hose to wash



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An architect's rendering shows the intricate dark-bronze driveway gate, along with a new pedestrian gate, approved Wednesday.

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# SCENIC

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off their beach sand, and peek through the windows.

“We have even been asked to drive people to their hotel because they have lost their keys,” she wrote. “One day I saw a family sitting on our bench on our porch. They said they were taking their Christmas card photo.”

She said everyone who lives on Scenic should be able to install a gate if desired.

### OK, then

Planning commissioner Stefan Karapetkov said the proposed gate is beautiful and that it could make sense to allow it in that neighborhood.

“Do we want to make an exception for a policy for Scenic?” he asked.

Bob Delves, who as a commissioner has generally been open to the idea of driveway gates, said the Chadwicks’ revised proposal is even better than the earlier iteration and that he understands the need.

“I live three blocks inland, and I can attest to all of the negative impacts they’re talking about,” he said. “We see significant trespassing on our property. We do have people taking photos on our front steps and we do have people doing their business in our bushes.”

Delves said the proposed gate would be consistent with the design guidelines and is a better solution than an earlier suggestion

that the Chadwicks run a fence down the side of their driveway.

“All it does is highlight the garage door,” he said of that option.

Commissioner Stephanie Locke agreed sufficient “special circumstances exist” to justify the gate.

“Any house that’s a beautiful house named Scenic-by-the-Sea — everybody’s going to want to have their picture taken in front of that,” she added. “So, I imagine you’re still going to have people climbing your fence and whatnot to have that background.”

Chair Michael LePage took a broader perspective, pointing out the city does not have a specific ordinance or guideline that addresses driveway gates and that commissioners should be guided by the stated rules, not their own preferences.

As long as its appearance meets the design guidelines, there’s no reason to deny it, he suggested.

“As much as it pains me to say it, I think I made the wrong decision before,” when he voted to deny their previous application, he said.

“If the community doesn’t want to have driveway gates, then I think it’s incumbent on the community” to ask the city to codify that, LePage continued. “And until such time as they do that, there’s nothing there that says we can deny driveway gates as long as they meet the guidelines we have at this time.”

The commission unanimously decided, with Erin Allen absent, to reverse course and approve the Chadwicks’ gate.



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## Local car community loses one of its own

By MARY SCHLEY

**P**ASSION AMONG those who live and breathe automobiles runs deep, and Mike Antoncich, a Carmel man who died July 29 at the age of 56 shortly before his favorite week of the year, succeeded in making cars his life.

Whether working for Christie's auctions, deftly applying his restoration and detailing skills, caretaking collections or participating in events, Antoncich was an exuberant champion of the industry.

"There are no words to adequately describe the incredible person Mike was," said his longtime friend and business partner, Ti Titus. "I met Mike at Christie's 30 years ago. We bonded over a love of automobiles and motorcycles, and it was the start of a decades-long friendship."

At the time they met, Antoncich was working for Christie's in its motorcar division and had earned the nickname, "Suicide Mike," because he was "the only one

with the guts to work on vintage Indian motorcycles that are infamous for their suicide clutches," Titus said. Suicide clutches are operated with the foot and are notoriously difficult to use, compared with the hand-controlled clutch with which most motorcycles are equipped.

"That was just the beginning of Mike's illustrious career in the car world," he continued. "He went on to become a Ferrari mechanic for a prominent local business."

### No sleep, it's Car Week

Titus and Antoncich first worked together under the leadership of Gordon McCall, who had a highly regarded restoration and detail shop on the edge of Monterey Airport. The duo put in countless hours ensuring the automobiles in their care were meticulously prepared before rolling onto the grass at the world-famous Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance, crossing the auction block at RM Sotheby's or



Mike Antoncich

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## BIFF SMITH

14 MAY 1943 - 20 JUNE 2024

He has shuffled off this mortal coil.  
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More likely conducting them,  
some impossible yet wonderful tune that he wrote.

He started in the unlikely place of Salt Lake City, the skiing was great.  
His family was there  
But the wider world called.

Off to Shattuck School,  
Where he learned to march, spit shine his shoes  
And made lifelong friends  
And other academic stuff of course.

His three passions,  
Music, magic and teaching  
Informed his travels from then on.

To Carmel, Stanford, UC Milpitas, University of Oregon, RLS.  
Then farther afield  
To Boston, Virginia and a year in England  
Where he would have gladly stayed (Anglophile to the end).

Along the way he was joined by three adored children, Hester, Bain and Rory,  
Who in turn gifted him with four extraordinary grandchildren  
Olivia, Flora, Hyde and Helen.  
What a lucky man indeed.

When he met Camille they took to the road.  
Their travels started with a year in England,  
Followed by over twenty years of cross-country road trips,  
With a corgi in tow.

Visiting friends along the way,  
Seeing the sights,  
Enjoying the peace  
Becoming very knowledgeable about Best Western hotels.

During these summers he taught at Berklee in Boston,  
At Turtle Pond we lived a communal life with Anne and Jerry and families.  
There, the extended Smith clan became inextricably entwined with the d'Avenas clan.

And let's not forget the other woman in his life ... Betty.  
Betty came along and some very patient and talented musicians  
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## WALTER SCOTT CLAUSEN

Walter Scott Clausen, 75, passed away on May 9, 2024, in Pacific Grove, California. Born on December 6, 1948, in Coal City, Illinois, he was the beloved son of the late Walter H. Clausen and Ethel Mae Clausen, née Waters, and brother to the late Patricia Sue Clausen.

Walter, known as Scott, pursued higher education at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, where he earned a bachelor's degree in German and secondary education from 1966 to 1970. Right after college, he served in the U.S. Army from 1970 to 1973 as a translator/interpreter, utilizing his exceptional language skills in a pivotal role. He earned an M.A. in education from Chapman University in 1985.

Professionally, Scott dedicated much of his career to language education and testing, culminating in his role as Senior Test Project Director at the Defense Language Institute, Foreign Language Center in Monterey, CA, from September 1993 until his retirement in September 2011. His work had a lasting impact on language instruction and assessment within the military.

Scott's passions were as broad and vibrant as his personality. He was an ebullient spirit who found joy in every aspect of life. A talented linguist, he was also a great cook, an enthusiast of classic cars, and had a deep appreciation for mixology. His musical talents were expressed through playing the saxophone and clarinet. Travel and languages remained his enduring interests, enriching his life with diverse experiences and friendships.

He was a generous and devoted friend, known for being a great listener and a captivating raconteur. His absence will be profoundly felt by all who knew and loved him.

His memory will be cherished through the stories shared by those he touched and the legacy he leaves behind. Among his dearest friends and family are: Henry Bittaker, Patrick Bowles, Christine Campbell, Philip Cooper, Leisa Corbett, Susan Coughanur, Donna Daunt, Robert Daunt, Jay Kalbrener, Chung Yao Kao, Larissa Kashnir, Anders Webb, Camden Webb, Natalie Webb and Ann Willis.

**A celebration of Scott's life will take place  
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— **Celebration of Life:** 11 a.m. at San Carlos Cathedral Hall (directly across the street from Mass)

— **Laid to Rest next to his Sweetheart, Jossie Diaz:** 1 p.m. at San Carlos Cemetery  
*A complete obituary will appear in the Aug. 23 Carmel Pine Cone*



**GAYLE NAKATA**

March 5, 1929 – July 30, 2024

Gayle Nakata! Spicy, diminutive in size and determined to the end, Gayle died gently on July 30 in her sun-filled room in memory care.

Gayle was born near Fresno, California. During World War II, she and her family were incarcerated in an internment camp in Arkansas. After the war, Gayle and her twin sister began secretarial work for the U.S. Army and Gayle was invited to live in Japan as a civilian employee of the United States Army.

Gayle and Clifford married in Carmel, California and Clifford's involvement with the development of the Air Force Academy brought them to Colorado Springs. They left for a short time for work in Germany, but returned to the beauty of Colorado to live the rest of their lives.

Gayle was an avid gardener and her knowledge and arduous work resulted in exceptional beauty. She was the rare gardener who could plan what would bloom when, considering complementary colors, different leaf shapes and shades of greens, and plant heights so that nothing was hidden. Her gardens were special and meticulously tended.

Tennis was a passion, and she could tell anyone who was interested the statistics of every leading tennis great in excruciating detail. Federer's and Agassi's fan clubs are missing a most dedicated follower.

Gayle was an adventurous cook. She, like many good mothers of her time, prepared every meal every day and saw to it that we had adequate fruits and fresh vegetables. She must have baked millions of cookies.

Together, Clifford and Gayle traveled the world and skied all over Colorado and Europe. They shared a deep appreciation of Colorado, and loved their home in Pebble Beach. She is preceded in death by her son, Eric, in 2011, and her husband, Clifford, in 2016. She was the last surviving of her four siblings.

Creative, talented and outspoken... We will miss Gayle and are grateful for her lessons.

**LAWRENCE MICHAEL WELCH**

Lawrence Michael Welch, 81, of Carmel Valley, California, passed away on April 7, 2024.

Larry was born on July 30, 1942, to Katherine and Jack Welch in Belle, California. After graduating from Huntington Beach High School in 1960, he went on to study English and drama at Cal State University Long Beach, where he received his bachelor's and master's degrees and a teaching credential in English.



Upon completing his studies at CSULB, he began his 50-plus year career as an English and drama teacher in the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District at both Seaside and Monterey High Schools. He spent 31 of those 50 years as the MHS Theatre Program Director, and in 2022, his teaching legacy was honored through the dedication of the school theater to him.

Larry was also a lifelong participant of the performing arts on the Monterey Peninsula. He enjoyed acting, writing, and directing. His last acting performance was in 2019 at the PacRep Circle Theater in Carmel, playing Pozzo in "Waiting for Godot" by Samuel Beckett.

In 2009, Larry retired from teaching and continued to pursue his lifelong passions of poetry, painting and the performing arts. His last achievement was the film he wrote, directed and filmed, "Roses are Red Hot," in 2022. This film was recognized by various independent film festivals including the San Francisco International Film Festival where it received the best writer and best director for mobile phone feature.

Larry is survived by his daughters, Alicia, Sarah and Daniella; as well as his grandsons, Darian and Lukas.

**Services will be held at Carmel's Outdoor Forest Theater from noon to 3 p.m. on Aug. 17. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Monterey High Drama Department.**

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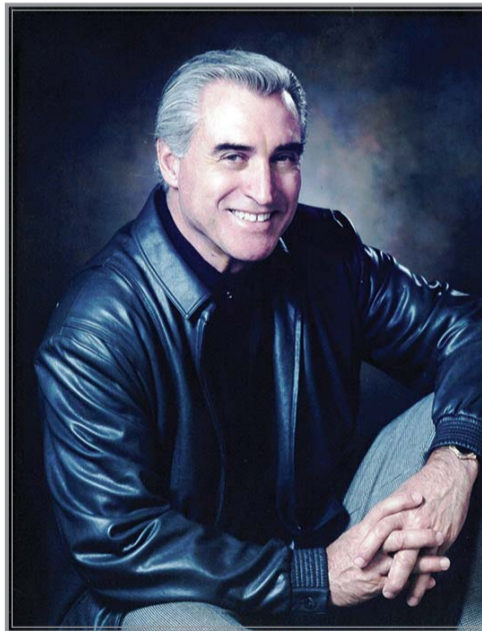
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**THOMAS PHILIP NUNES, SR.**

Thomas Philip Nunes, Sr., co-founder of The Nunes Company, Inc., one of the most recognized and respected fresh produce companies in the United States, passed away at his home in Carmel, California on August 5, 2024. He was 95. Smart, passionate, and beloved, he was the patriarch of the sprawling Nunes family — as well as an esteemed figure in the Salinas Valley where he started his career in 1951.



Tom was born on November 2, 1928, to Portuguese immigrant parents, Tomas Nunes II and Eva Ventura Nunes. Raised in the town of Chualar, he attended the one-room grammar school and Salinas High School. A Northern California sprint champion, he made the finals in the state championship. A running back and defensive back, Tom earned a scholarship to play football for St. Mary's College in Moraga. Later, he transferred to Stanford University where he graduated with a degree in economics. With his brother, Bob, he became the architect of his own respected and successful namesake company, The Nunes Company.

Tom met Alyce Escobar on the school bus traveling to Salinas. He fell in love with the girl who in 1950 would become his wife, mother of his four children, and life partner. In the second half of his life, the late Nancy Koster would become his cherished companion.

A mentor to younger farmers, Tom taught numerous people how to use both old and new techniques. But his most effective technique was that of the heart. "Once you earn people's trust, you have loyalty, you have

foxhole people." Tom enjoyed playing tennis and golf in Salinas, and many years of boating and skiing while at the family home on Lake Tahoe. His favorite pastime was traveling near and far to watch his grandchildren and great-grandchildren compete in various sports.

Tom was predeceased by his sister, Marilyn Classen; and his brother, Frank Robert Nunes. His memory will be held in the hearts of his children, Thomas (T4) (Margot), David (Irma), Ann (Gary) and James (Leighanne); his seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

With Tom departs a trove of history spanning almost a century in the Salinas Valley. Just recently he sat in a board meeting and recounted details of events that took place more than 70 years ago. He spoke passionately about his partners and employees, how he was able to build businesses only because of the trusted relationships he was so fortunate to have. Appreciative to the end, he wanted to offer thanks.

**Visitation will be held 2 to 6 p.m. Monday, August 19, at Struve and Laporte Chapel in Salinas.**

**Rosary will begin at 6 p.m.**

**A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, August 20, at Sacred Heart Church in Salinas.**

**Following the service, Tom will be laid to rest at Queen of Heaven Cemetery in Salinas.**

**Donations may be made to Palma School Foundation, 919 Iverson St., Salinas, CA 93901, and Central Coast VNA & Hospice, 5 Lower Ragsdale, Monterey, CA 93940**

**(For the longer version of this obituary please see the Struve and Laporte website.)**

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## MARINA

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Building new fire and police stations and a new community center will come at a cost. If voters pass the \$50 million bond measure in November, they'd pay an average of \$54.74 annually per \$100,000 of assessed value on their tax bills. However, that is only an average. Marina City Manager Layne Long said the cost will fluctuate over the 30-year life of the bond and could possibly go as high as \$83 annually per \$100,000 of assessed value.

The median assessed value for a home in Marina is \$496,962. This means at the \$54.74 rate the average cost for the owner of a single-family home would be \$272 a

pay more, but he compared the cost of the bond for longtime residents to a cup of coffee.

"We are asking the voters if they want to come along on this journey with us to pay the equivalent of a Starbucks a week for the average homeowner to provide incredible services that have been contemplated since 1975. And if you're one of the lucky ones who owns a million-dollar home, then it's a Starbucks a week for you and a neighbor," said McCarthy.

### They say no

During the Aug. 7 council meeting, a majority of public comment was from those who said they would vote no on the \$50 million measure because of a lack of detail concerning what would be built with the money, and the locations of the new facilities.



PHOTO/PAUL MILLER

Hundreds of new homes have been built in Marina in the last five years, generating new taxes but also demand for services.

year, or \$5.23 a week. However, anyone new to the area likely didn't buy in at that price with newly constructed homes easily surpassing the \$1 million mark, and some going for more than \$2 million.

City councilmember Brian McCarthy acknowledged that residents of some of Marina's pricey new neighborhoods will

"The citizens of Marina need to think long and hard about voting to give you that much money to spend when you have been so cagey as to what it is and where it is," resident Denise Turley told the council about plans to spend the bond money.

"You have failed to involve the citizens of Marina in any meaningful way to discuss and evaluate engineering and architectural concepts. In fact, you never undertook any engineering studies and only in the 11th hour hired an architectural firm to conduct the simplest of

analysis," added longtime resident John Sanders.

RNT Architects of San Diego was hired to do a needs assessment and estimated the cost to build new facilities based on industry-wide cost models. But sites for the some

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## FEE

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The projected number of homes to be built in Pacific Grove over the next five years is 15, according to the fee justification study, and PGUSD expects that a mere four students — two in elementary, one in middle and one in high school — will enroll in its schools as a result.

The district said it determined the new home number figure “after contacting the planning departments within the school district boundaries,” though it’s not clear where the 15 homes will be built.

### Another tax proposal

In March 2020, Pacific Grove voters passed Measure D, a \$30 million bond measure to raise money to upgrade PGUSD campuses. On Nov. 5, the school district will again ask voters to approve a \$78 million ballot measure, which is dubbed the “Measure D Prop 39 Bond Extension.”

“Due to the anticipated decline in currently projected sales tax rates, the district now has an opportunity to seek a new bond measure that, if successful, is expected to result in the levy of taxes no higher than the current tax rate collected” through Measure D, according to an agenda for a July 9 school board meeting in which the board OK’d it.

Adamson explained that the measure, which needs 55 percent approval, “will not increase tax rates, simply extend the bond out for a longer period of time.”

“A successful bond measure would generate funds to pay for critical repairs, modernization of facilities, and new buildings to meet 21st-century instructional standards,” the district said, adding that the revenue could not be used to pay for teacher and administrator salaries.

The fees come on top of the sharply higher property taxes that new construction and remodels already generate. Byrne said the ballot measure and the developer fees amounted to “double dipping.”

Adamson said that the district proposed the measure after a consultant it hired surveyed voters about the idea early last year.

The “district had a favorable passage rating of 74 percent of registered voters in the boundary area,” she said.

The school district in September will present to the board a facility needs assessment.

“The district will also begin the process in 2024-25 of developing a facilities master plan, which will serve as the roadmap for Measure D in subsequent years,” Adamson said.

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of the new buildings have not been identified, and plans have yet to be drawn.

“It would not make sense to spend money and time on detailed designs and plans before final locations have been selected and funding has been secured,” said Mayor Pro Tem Liesbeth Visscher.

### Community Center

While the need for a modern police station and fire station may be self-evident, several residents questioned what services they’d find at a newly built community center.

“I have no idea what a community center means, and it’s leaving an awful lot up for the imagination as to what it is,” said Grace Silva-Santella.

A potential site for a new community center has been identified next to the Marina Library, but details on what recreation opportunities will be available there are still in the idea phase.

Not everyone who spoke during public comment was against the bond.

“We don’t have the modern facilities for a modern workforce,” said Christina Medina-Dirksen, adding that she’s been pleased to see the upgrades to Marina’s parks and commercial spaces but lamented the outdated facilities found around the city hall complex.

Pictures on Marina’s “Vision 50” fact sheet show portable buildings installed 40 years ago that are now falling apart, and in some cases are being held together with tarps and tape. The city says the old buildings may not withstand a major earthquake and prevent them from serving

residents efficiently.

Voters have been open to raising taxes in the past. In 2018, voters approved raising the sales and hotel taxes. Revenues from those increased streams are added to the general fund and are used for street maintenance. A city-hired consultant found 51 percent of voters were in favor of an infrastructure bond measure ahead of the August council meeting.

### Lesser amount?

Fifty million dollars is a big chunk of change for Marina. In 2022 the city received \$25 million in total general fund tax revenue. Mayor Bruce Delgado said the bond may be too big to pass. He argued in favor of a smaller bond, explaining he’d like a \$20 million measure focused solely on building a new fire station.

The vote came down 4-1, with Delgado dissenting. Councilmembers voted just in time for the elections office to place the measure on the upcoming ballot.

Moving forward, city councilors will be allowed to speak out in favor of the measure and campaign for it; however, no city funds can be used for campaign purposes. Aug. 15 was the last day to file primary arguments to appear on the November ballot, and Aug. 22 is the last day to file rebuttals.

Under state law, the measure needs a two-thirds supermajority to pass, but that could be lowered to 55 percent if a state ballot measure passes.

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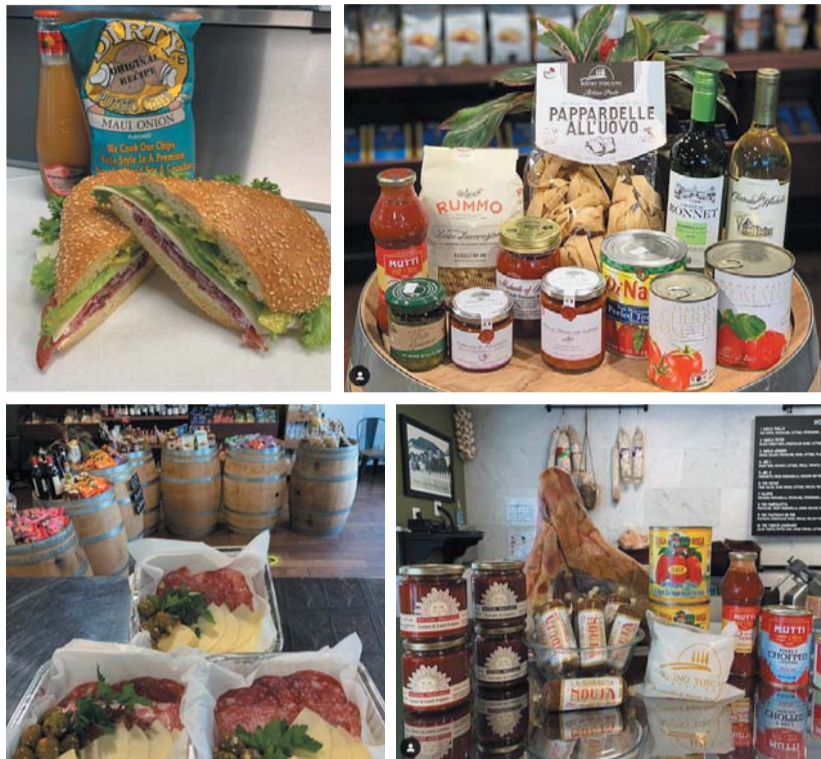
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## Snowy plovers rescued, released

By KELLY NIX

**MOST** OF the half-dozen tiny shorebirds that hatched at SPCA Monterey County after their nest was found perilously close to the edge of a cliff have been released back into the wild, the nonprofit said.

At the end of June, staff with Point Blue Conservation Science rescued six snowy plover eggs from a nest on the edge of an eroding cliff near the mouth of the Salinas River. The group determined that the cliff base would fall so they saved the eggs and brought them to the SPCA for hatching.

After spending more than a week in an incubator, three hatched on Independence Day and the remaining three hatched July 5.

"The snowy plovers, which are listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act, stayed in our care for a month, learning and growing strong enough for release back into the wild," SPCA spokeswoman Beth Brookhouser said.

### More rescues

On Aug. 9, a group of volunteers with Snowy Plover Guardian and Point Blue released four of the juveniles, along with a rescued killdeer, in the Salinas River National Wildlife Refuge, between Castroville and Marina.

"They wandered out after a short time viewing their surroundings," Brookhouser said. "Two quickly flew off, with a third joining soon after. The fourth plover decided to hang around in the habitat with the killdeer for quite some time. There were adult plovers in the area where the juveniles were released, who were feeding and known to hang around in a flock."

The other two plovers will likely be let go next week.

"They were a little younger and

needed more time to be ready for release," Brookhouser told The Pine Cone.

The SPCA rescues plovers and their eggs every year, but "this year is higher than usual," she said.

SPCA staff were careful not to let the young plovers imprint — or identify with — their human caregivers. If that happens, birds no longer identify with their species and are not scared of humans. Imprinting is irreversible.

"We use visual barriers and do not talk near them," Brookhouser said. Plovers "mostly eat krill, shrimp, mealworms, and crickets while in our care."



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Five little birds, including four snowy plovers, were released back into the wild last week after their eggs were saved from an eroding cliff.

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# UKRAINE

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all of whom are determined to not just survive, but also to succeed," Panetta said, adding that the country continues to "inspire democracies throughout the world."

Besides meeting Zelenskyy, Panetta and his congressional colleagues met with Ukrainian Parliament Speaker Ruslan Stefanchuk, and military, energy and humanitarian leaders. They also held meetings with staff of the American embassy.

"While in Kyiv, Russia fired Iskander-M ballistic missiles and other air assaults into the capital," according to Panetta's press office. "Fortunately, the rockets were intercepted by U.S. Patriot missile defense systems that are deployed throughout the city."

The American politicians also had meetings with Ukrainian veterans, citizens and orphans, and visited the Okhmatdyt Children's Hospital, which was struck by a Russian missile last month, and other sites where Russia has killed Ukrainians and destroyed infrastructure.

### Lengthy stay

Congressional delegations normally are allowed to spend less than a day in Ukraine and are confined to the capital of Kyiv, but Panetta and his colleagues spent five days in Ukraine and traveled to Bucha, a city northwest of Kyiv where Russians killed about 1,000 civilians, including several dozen children, and Odesa, a port city on the Black Sea.

"As disheartening as it was to see and hear about the many tragedies of this war, it was heartening to see and hear firsthand how American support, especially our work

in Congress to pass legislation for supplemental funding, is properly being used on the battlefield and affecting not just the Ukrainian military efforts, but also the morale of the Ukrainian people," Panetta said.

### 'Resilience'

Since Russia invaded Ukraine, the United States has appropriated about \$175 billion to the country, with \$107 billion directly aiding Ukraine, according to the Council on Foreign Relations.

"Most of the remainder is funding various U.S. activities associated with the war in Ukraine, and a small portion supports other affected countries in the region," the think tank said.

The Pine Cone asked Panetta what his idea of a victory is for Ukraine, and if the United States and other allies should continue to bankroll the war-torn country until Russia pulls all its troops or the two countries reach a truce.

"As this war of attrition continues," Panetta said, "support from democracies around the world — combined with Ukrainian innovation, resilience and determination — is necessary to stop Russian Pres. Vladimir Putin, promote a peaceful outcome and protect the international world order."



PHOTO/REP. JIMMY PANETTA

Democratic Rep. Jimmy Panetta visited the Okhmatdyt Children's Hospital in Ukraine, which was struck by Russian cruise missiles in July. Panetta was in Ukraine for five days last week.

Panetta authored the Ukraine Human Rights Policy Act, which seeks to put in a place a mechanism to hold Russia accountable for human rights abuses, and supports the No Limits Act, which would hold accountable Chinese Communist Party military firms that are assisting Russia in its Ukraine invasion.

He also advocates for a bill that condemns the forced adoption of Ukrainian children by Russia and has called for the young people to be reunited with their families.

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## SCHOOLS

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passed out rulers that included one with a swastika and the n-word written on it. Swastikas and the "SS" symbol were also carved into desks. Nine incidents were documented that year.

When investigators asked for data from 2022-2023, they were told that due to staff turnover — including the firing of the principal and the subsequent departure of two assistant principals and other administrators — "the district could not find records for incidents of alleged harassment or discrimination on the basis of shared Jewish ancestry at the school."

But a race relations survey conducted at Carmel High in spring 2023 indicated that nearly 11 percent of respondents had been "the subject of a 'racially motivated act or statement,'" more than 20 percent had "personally observed a racially motivated action," by a student, teacher or administrator to a student on campus or during a school-sponsored event, and nearly 50 percent either seen the graffiti and been upset by it or had heard about it and felt uncomfortable. More than 14 percent said they "hear racial slurs on campus," daily, while more than 23 percent reported hearing them weekly. The survey did not specifically mention antisemitism.

### 'Do nothing'

In 2023-2024, another half-dozen "incidents involving alleged harassment based on shared Jewish ancestry and the discovery of swastikas" were reported. In one, a parent "emailed that a student told her daughter that he wanted to kill all Jews and burn them in their homes," but the parent didn't want anything done about it, and there was no investigation.

Others included the vandalism of an Anne Frank Movie Night poster, a reference to Hitler in a game, and more graffiti of swastikas on benches and elsewhere.

"The evidence shows that the district

failed to take prompt and effective steps reasonably calculated to end a known hostile environment for students of shared Jewish ancestry, to mitigate its effects on students, and to prevent its recurrence," the OCR team's leader, Naghmeh OrdikhaniIn, wrote in the analysis. "In addition, in some cases of reported or otherwise known antisemitic conduct, the district failed to adequately determine whether a hostile environment existed for those students and if they needed remedies to address the effects of that environment."

### 'Pervasive'

OrdikhaniIn went on to state, "The frequency with which the swastikas and other antisemitic expressions or incidents occurred establishes that the incidents of antisemitic graffiti and conduct were pervasive and not isolated," and noted that "the district's nonexistent recordkeeping raises the likelihood that additional incidents occurred" during the past three years.

And while the district "asserted that it did not receive any formal complaints and that no students reported feeling harassed or subjected to a hostile environment," it was clearly a cause of concern for the students who spoke about it during public meetings and formed a task force to try to address it.

At the Aug. 14 meeting, Ofek commented, "As a Jewish American, I can unequivocally say this type of behavior will not be tolerated."

She also said she has the board's full support in working to create an environment where all students and staff feel welcome. "It's really imperative that our community knows antisemitism and discrimination in all of its forms are unacceptable, especially in our schools," she said.

"As a Jewish American, I understand all too well the pain these experiences can cause," added board member Sara Hinds.

The discussion followed the board's July 24 approval of a 15-page agreement with the federal agency to overhaul its policies and drastically improve its recordkeeping, among other changes.

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# LOSS

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appearing in any of the other many shows and events Car Week comprises. But they also had a lot of fun.

“Mike came into the detailing world with a willingness to embrace this new industry, only to quickly learn it fit him like a glove,” Titus said. “That’s when the adventure began, and what a ride it was.”

When McCall decided to move on to other pursuits in the industry, he sold McCall Motorsports to Antoncich and

Titus, who renamed it Monterey Vintage Motorsports and took it in their own direction, including storing and caring for cars belonging to part-time residents.

“We worked so well together, like a well-oiled machine,” Titus said, adding that many of their friends and colleagues joked that they “were like an old married couple, spending more time together than with anyone else.”

During many a Car Week, the duo could be found rushing from venue to venue, often on motorcycles to get to their destinations more easily, to put the finishing touches on their clients’ show cars.

“We traveled the country together and

left our mark everywhere we went.” Titus recalled. “We rubbed shoulders with athletes, celebrities and the finest in the car world.”

### \$35 million car

His work meant he was entrusted with the rarest and most expensive machines, including the Ferrari 250 GTO he and Titus drove onto the show field for the Pebble Beach Concours d’Elegance one year.

Ferrari only made 39 250 GTOs between 1962 and 1964, and several have sold at auction for tens of millions of dollars. The Concours exhibit featured 20 of the cars — the most ever seen together — and the

one they were charged with caretaking had been built for Sir Stirling Moss and painted in a distinctive pastel-green hue but was never raced. In a private sale in 2012, it sold for \$35 million.

And at his home on Valley Way, Antoncich’s love of everything automotive was also evident, with his personal collection of interesting vehicles and memorabilia, and he enjoyed inviting friends over to watch Formula 1 races.

“Mikey was loved by so many in the car world, and he will be missed by so many,” Titus said. “His legacy will live on in the hearts and memories of all those who were lucky enough to know him.”



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# Editorial

## The people's answer

THE CITY council may have voted 3-2 on July 9 to institute a conventional street address system in Carmel, but we highly doubt the vote will be the last word on this hotly contested topic. With details to be worked out, an important municipal election just weeks away, and the ever-present possibility that people will change their minds or file lawsuits, the decision probably wasn't even the 100th-from-the-last word.

Nevertheless, some of the town's diehard advocates of quaintness are panicking, not only because the council vote unexpectedly didn't go their way, but because they know that if numbers are ever assigned to houses, it will probably be impossible to take them away. Their refusal to accept defeat, with the multitude of legal and political tools available to anyone who's determined to stop something, is another reason the debate is surely far from over. Meanwhile, advocates of street addresses are becoming more and more impassioned, as well, not only convenience, but public safety.

The current debate over house numbers is only the latest of many since Carmel was founded in 1916. Within the memory of all but the most recent newcomers is the colossal battle of the year 2000, which included public hearings, protests, a fiercely contested election and threats of a class-action lawsuit, and finally concluding with the city deciding not to assign numbers to houses but setting up a courier service to deliver mail to anybody who couldn't — or wouldn't — pick up their mail at the post office. They also offered free P.O. boxes to residents.

All that trouble and expense was instigated by a single loudmouthed individual named Joe Steinfeld who moved to town, decided he didn't like the city's custom of not having house numbers or home mail delivery, and proceeded to raise holy hell about what he saw as a gross injustice.

Never mind what the majority of Carmel residents thought, or how much they treasured the town's quaint traditions — Steinfeld was so sure he was right and so convinced of his own moral superiority that he simply would not shut up until he got his way.

He was the kind of person who makes "pariah" a synonym for "activist." And then, as soon as the controversy was finished and Steinfeld got most of what he wanted, he left town and moved to Mexico. The man lived here only two years — and caused trouble almost the entire time.

Fifteen years later, another resident picked up the same mantle, demanding that the city number its houses and have the post office start delivering the mail. Not having either, the resident claimed, was "discriminatory, usurious, monopolistic and extortion." Furthermore, he said, everyone had a "right" to home mail delivery.

However, Steinfeld and his progeny were wrong. There is no "right" to home mail or package delivery, or to mail delivery at all, for that matter. During the Steinfeld era, the post office pointed out that at least 4,000 towns in the United States do not have home mail delivery, including about 200 in California, and the number was said to be growing.

Meanwhile, the unique standing of Carmel in an increasingly homogeneous world has grown. Something as fundamental to that uniqueness as the lack of house numbers should be changed only if a majority of its citizens agree. Certainly, the opinions of a single individual, or even a small group, are not enough reason to change the town one iota, no matter how vehemently those objections are stated. However, the opposite is also true: There should be street addresses if that's what most of the voters of Carmel want. Anti-house number zealots should also be subject to majority rule.

Over and over again during the various generations of city council debates over house numbers, we find ourselves wishing, against all odds, that the whole thing could finally be settled once and for all. There's no foolproof way to do that, but it would help if the will of the people were known. The way to do that is with a vote. Should Carmel's houses be numbered? Please put it on the next ballot and be done with it.

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"Fourth tree NE of Carmelo and Eleventh ... four pine cones on ground, bark missing on two sides, one cracked lower limb ...."

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### 'Divine intervention needed'

Dear Editor,

The forever discussions at city council with no resolution sadden me.

Example: home addresses. Residents cannot agree on direction, compromise nor their neighbors' opinions.

It is understandable that council members do not wish to lose the support of constituents by coming down on the "wrong side" of issues, as any side now ends up being an unpopular side.

I notice that meetings do not start with an invocation, although "One nation, under God" is still in the opening pledge of allegiance.

I know it is an old-fashioned thing, inviting local clergy to offer opening prayer for God's guidance and blessing.

Some may incorrectly call the current practice keeping church separate from state, which of course meant simply not establishing a state or mandated religion.

George Washington said, "It is the duty of all nations, to acknowledge the Providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor."

Moving things from one committee to another and inviting forever public comment do not seem to be working.

Maybe we should try something new, or rather, old.

Jon Levy, Carmel

### 'What is going on?'

Dear Editor,

It would be irresponsible for the Carmel City Council and its paid staff to change an ordinance and a 108-year tradition in a rush and two months before a municipal election that will undoubtedly change the makeup of the council.

There has not been a single public ad hoc committee meeting on street addresses where members of our community can ask questions, get answers, explore options and exchange opinions. This entire process hasn't been transparent and needs to be slowed down. What is going on with our local government?

Andi Carr, Carmel

### Parking battleground

Dear Editor,

It appears city hall is at war with parking. What else are we to think when they methodically plot to remove as many parking spots as possible? Consider that the city, with the help of the resident-armed

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# Like wine, lives and communities ought to improve with age

**BORN** IN the Bronx and raised in Maryland, Kim Stemler graduated from Towson State University with a degree in communications. Although the East Coast culture formed the warp and weft of her life, California called to her. She has lived on the Monterey Peninsula since 1989, where she arrived after becoming deeply entrenched in the Big Sur community, another place that holds her heart.

Stemler's career began at T. Rowe Price, a Maryland-based asset-management company which soon had her running its training department. When sent by the company to a corporate retreat in Berkeley that included a workshop at Esalen, Stemler felt she'd come home.

"I fell in love with Big Sur," she said. "I felt at home there. The land was calling

## Great Lives

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

me, and I couldn't leave. I knew I needed to change my life."

After college, Stemler had envisioned continuing her formal education by earning a graduate degree at Stanford. Instead, she went to work for Esalen, built a house with her own hands, got married and had children.

"I spent 10 years at Esalen, having become their PR person," she recalled. "My job was largely about managing the schedules of big production companies interested in filming movies there."

After shifting from being married to being "a great coparent," Stemler said she felt the need to use her education more directly for her community's well being. She moved to a rental in Pacific Grove a block from the bay. When the owner died, the house was sold, so she bought a new home in Marina — a "super-convenient, connected community."

### Finding her way

Once settled, Stemler took stock of what mattered most at the time. Having benefited from excellent onsite childcare at Esalen, she found that the Monterey County Childcare Planning Council was conducting a study on the economic impact of childcare needs in the area. She signed on to consult with them, which led her to extend her work to different local organizations — typically county and city governments or foundations — followed by strategic planning gigs for larger nonprofits.

"Every group has its own focus and systems, but each is a business, and their needs are pretty much the same. They're all people trying to get something done. One of my jobs, after Prop 10 (the California Children and Families Act) had passed,

was to help found and then work with First 5 Monterey County." The group says its goal is to enrich "the lives of children and families by elevating early childhood as a priority, strengthening connections, and advancing quality within a whole system of care and support."

Stemler subsequently spent five years serving as director of Monterey County Housing Inc., an affordable housing developer which, during her time with the company, built seven family/childcare homes designed as affordable rentals for people who wanted to operate childcare services.

### Diverse groups

"One of the advantages of being a consultant is that you develop a huge network of people and learn a lot about a diverse array of businesses," said Stemler. "People are the same. It's about creating a positive culture among them. If you understand that, it's easy to work with any group."

In 2013, Stemler learned that the Monterey County Vintners & Growers Association was seeking an executive director. She got the job and served in that role for nearly 11 years.

"I love the wine industry, especially our local industry," Stemler said. "Everyone is so supportive of each other, family oriented and collaborative. These are good people you want to be around, people who care about people."

Yet, once Stemler learned the president/CEO position was open at The Carmel Foundation, she began to reevaluate what she wanted to do at this stage of her life.

"I love wine and the multigenerational families who care about the land and the

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PHOTO/COURTESY KIM STEMLER

New Carmel Foundation president and CEO Kim Stemler has years of experience working with nonprofits.

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

# IT WAS A SURPRISING SELF-PORTRAIT

**CARMEL PAINTER** Diane Danvers Simmons divulged that she had a difficult time looking at the abstract self-portrait she created a few months ago during a workshop with a Santa Fe artist.

And then, like many of the women who have seen it since, she couldn't look away.

"Close your eyes," the instructor told Simmons and her adult daughter, Natalie, the only two students in the private class. "Feel your face with one hand and draw with the other."

When Simmons finally peeked at what

of other female artists, the piece inspired "Many Faces of Womanhood," a series of paintings Simmons showed earlier this year at Sunset Center as part of a multi-artist exhibit that also showcased the talents of her colleagues at Seaside's Open Ground Art Collective, where Simmons rents a studio space.

### 'My girls'

"I call them 'my girls.' They're all paintings of women's faces and the many moods of women," said Simmons, who has devoted much of her adult life to female empowerment.

The exhibition represented a small part of a life-long healing process.

Since 2020, she and Natalie have collaborated on "Mothers and Daughters Unfiltered," a podcast that included 25 episodes in Season 1 and 11 more (so far) in Season 2.

She is also the author of "My Mother Next Door" (2021, Koehler Books), an irreverent, often humorous coming-of-age autobiography depicting the stormy relationship she had with her narcissistic mother, who walked away from the family in search of her independence when Simmons was a teenager:

She said she sat in the family kitchen a week after her 16th birthday sipping tea with the matriarch, who confided that she'd be leaving the following day.

"My mother was a very volatile, larger-than-life character who was always threatening to leave, and I just didn't believe it," Simmons reflected.

### No note, number, address

The next day, when young Diane came home from her summer job, she discovered that her mom was absent and her belongings were gone. There was no note, no phone number, no forwarding address.

Simmons solved the mystery the same day when she discovered that her mother had literally moved next door, into the house she was renting to "three hot college guys."

You'll have to

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## Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

her hand had sightlessly created, her reaction was visceral.

"I was shocked," she said of the jagged, sharp-edged, wounded-looking rendering. "I'm always a positive, upbeat, happy person, and, well ... I kind of didn't want to show it to anyone at first."

But she didn't try to soften the image. She added smears and streaks of blood red, shards and zigzags of black, and smudges of jaundice yellow to the painting she would entitle, "Mad As Hell."

Thanks largely to the strong advocacy



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Diane Danvers Simmons is an abstract artist, author, podcaster, filmmaker, mom, and crusader for women's empowerment of women.



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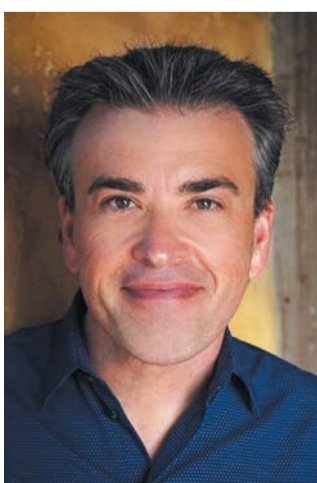
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# LETTERS

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“city site alternatives” group, is trying to jam 349 housing units into every nook and cranny in Carmel to comply with the state’s one-size-fits-all housing mandates.

Assuming 349 renters average one-and-a-half cars per unit, the new housing will represent 500 fewer available parking spots. Now consider the city also authorized removal of our heavily utilized public parking lots for housing sites, and almost 300 existing parking spots will be lost. How about the one-size-fits-all AB 413 mandate, which will eliminate 400 more parking spots at intersections. So far that’s an estimated 1,200 fewer spots available for parking than exist today!

At this point, consider the parking required for the demolition and construction crews associated with large commercial projects in the pipeline. I refer to the Hofsas House, Ulrika Plaza (the Pit), the JB Pastor Building and the foreseeable old Svendsgaard’s Inn, which was just sold. All these projects will involve a significant demolition and construction workforce, and all are within several blocks of each other. Add to that the construction workforce for the 349 housing units, and you have several thousand more parking spots being used by workers over the next several years to varying degrees. Carmel will be one massive construction zone. But where will residents, employees and visitors park?

This will be a parking nightmare that the city purposely ignored. But that’s not surprising when city officials repeatedly avoid implementing the California Environmental Quality Act to address the environmental

implications of mandates and construction.

Recently, the city council reluctantly agreed to consider dropping the public parking lots from the housing element so long as more housing units can be crammed in elsewhere on private property. With the help of their minions at the “city site alternatives” group, they’re cajoling private property owners to facilitate their DEI housing vision. But there is an election soon, and hopefully, a complete change in leadership.

**Chuck Najarian,**  
Carmel

## ‘Theme park’

Dear Editor:

Carmel remains a beautiful location, but it is no longer the residential community its founders envisioned. For those of us who live here year round, Carmel has become a combination of theme park, construction zone and parking lot.

**Geoffrey Cocks,**  
Carmel Woods

## Buses waste money

Dear Editor,

It must be terribly depressing to be an MST bus driver, driving around all day with little or no one in your bus, knowing that the bus you are driving is spewing exhaust into the air we breathe.

If we look up the 2024 budget on the MST website, we can see that they are projecting to bring in \$4 million in busing revenue this year but spending over \$58 million to do it.

Part of the losses are made up by Measure Q, which increases our sales tax, but the rest is made up by the inflationary spending of our government.

As much as it hurts to see this much money wasted, the fact that these huge buses are driving around day and night adding to global warming is an ironic tragedy.

**John Watkins,**  
Carmel

## Windmills and wildlife

Dear Editor,

In the Aug. 9 edition, a reader claimed there is “strong evidence that wind farms kill Atlantic whales” and that they “slice and dice” birds. However, this does not appear to be true.

In June, Scientific American carried an article, “The Science is Clear: Offshore Wind Isn’t What’s Killing Whales,” while The MIT Press Reader found that wind turbines only kill a fraction of the number of birds that house cats or buildings kill.

Clean energy is critical. Nobody should argue that. Offshore winds are typically faster in the ocean than on land, and even small increases in wind speed can produce large

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# PLAYGROUND

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volunteers, creating artwork or providing on-site child-care, there’s a place for everyone to contribute.”

The project marks a collaboration between the Carmel Valley Community Youth Center and the Tatum’s Garden Foundation — and is the foundation’s second playground project.

The foundation raised \$1.3 million and recruited 3,000 volunteers to build the Tatum’s Garden playground in Salinas’ Sherwood Park in 2013.

Both playgrounds are named for a local youngster, Tatum Bakker, who uses a wheelchair. For more details, visit tatumtreehouse.com.

# LIVES

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community,” said Stemler, 62. “But I wanted to do one more thing that fills my heart, and I know I made the right move.”

## Protect the home

In 2022, Stemler returned her attention to her heartland of Big Sur to establish The Emile Norman Arts Foundation with Heather Chappellet and Heather Engen. Its goal is to celebrate the legendary artist and his devotion to a fine-art portrayal of the natural elements of the coastal landscape that was his “Valhalla” — and to protect his home.

“We wanted to enact what Emile wanted,” said Stemler, “and we couldn’t do it without the house he built and his artwork — both a legacy of his reverence for the landscape and how he portrayed it. Our motive was not to make a profit but to preserve the property and share it with the public.”

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increases in energy generation. I'll be the first to admit that offshore wind farms visible from the shore pollute the viewshed, but that's a small price to pay if we can reduce fossil fuel emissions.

The letter writer concludes his letter with, "Save the whales. Save the birds. Save our oceans. Stop industrial wind farms." I say, "Trust the science. Save our planet."

**Geoff Johnston,**  
Carmel

## Baron 'supports municipal code'

Dear Editor,

At the Aug. 6 council meeting, the mayor and two council members voted to ignore Carmel's municipal code by voting to allow retaining walls and stairs to remain in the public right of way.

In contrast, councilmembers Karen Ferlito and Jeff Baron pointed out that applying the standards set forth in the municipal code protects and preserves the unique informal character of our village's rights of way by not allowing formal structures such as retaining walls and stairs. Baron further pointed out that the staff report correctly identified the findings needed to deny the application.

By speaking clearly and strongly to support our municipal code, Jeff Baron showed that he understands how important it is to make the right decisions to protect and preserve our community's unique character. Please join me and vote for Jeff Baron for mayor on Nov. 5.

**Michael LePage,**  
Carmel

## O'Neil is 'real thing'

Dear Editor,

David O'Neil first approached me at a

volunteer booth a few years ago and cheerfully asked, "How can I help?" Since that time, he has become a stalwart friend, and true to his word, he has helped many organizations in the community. I can say with total confidence that David will:

- Protect Carmel's charm, Old-World character and its quirky ways, because he truly cares about our heritage and our community, not his own personal agenda.

- Fight for local control; he will stand against parking meters and additional invasive cameras on poles.

- Protect and enhance our beautiful forest.

- Discourage new housing that looks like "Anywhere, USA."

- Diligently work to start putting wires underground and repave roads.

- Seek to provide solutions to our present home-address issues without losing our invaluable post office.

David listens. He is not your usual political candidate. He also educates himself, researching topics in depth, and fearlessly insists our county and state decision makers pay attention to our unique needs. His endless hours of studying Carmel's codes, mandates, requirements, guidelines, plans and regulations show his dedication. He truly loves our community and the people in it.

Let's bring fair, rational, commonsense and knowledgeable leadership to council. Vote David O'Neil.

**Karyl Hall,**  
Carmel

## Delves 'collaborative and respectful'

Dear Editor,

We met Bob Delves through his four years of dedicated service on the Carmel Planning Commission. He stands out as a good listener and reasonable decision maker. We have noticed him read and digest complex details on a variety of projects, listen carefully to multiple perspectives, and ask the right questions to become fully

informed so that his decisions are thoughtful and reasonable. He is collaborative and respectful of others while offering clarity on his own positions.

Bob brings 45 years of leadership experience in the public, private and non-profit sectors, including serving as a popular mayor in a Colorado resort town. This extensive leadership experience, his

intelligence, his dedication to serve and protect Carmel's character, his personal integrity and his full-time dedication is the type of leadership we need today on Carmel's city council. We highly recommend Bob Delves for city council. He has our vote.

**Dylan and Tasha Witt,**  
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## ISRAEL

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they departed, said under his breath, “I’ve already killed Palestinians and I’m going to go back and kill more.”

### ‘Offensive’

Ybarra has said that she converted to Judaism in her early 20s and has two Jewish children, but that “13 years ago, Zionism unraveled” for her.

Eric Emanuel, a Jewish man who’s lived in Pacific Grove for 26 years, said he believed the video was offensive.

“It felt like antisemitism,” Emanuel said. Ybarra “said she could understand why people are racist, but that she had to stop herself from going there.”

Emanuel was also struck that Ybarra would provoke the Israeli tourists, who were presumably in the Philippines to enjoy themselves, not to argue politics with a stranger.

“I certainly don’t want to see her as mayor,” Emanuel said.

Only four of Ybarra’s more than 800 Instagram friends liked the video, which was reposted by the operators of local website lighthouseavenue.com.

Ybarra is running against former P.G. City Councilman Dan Miller and incumbent councilman Nick Smith. Mayor Bill Peake decided not to seek reelection.

### Nonprofit’s supporters

Ybarra is the CEO of the Wahine Project, a nonprofit she founded in 2010 that offers surfing lessons to underprivileged children.

Wahine Project’s programs for 2024-2025 were funded by the Pebble Beach Foundation, Salinas Valley Foundation, Yellow Brick Road, California State Parks, Monterey Peninsula Foundation, which gave the group \$30,000 for its “Black, indigenous, and other people of color Youth Occupational Development Program,” and Montage Health, which

donated \$10,000.

The Pine Cone posed several questions to Ybarra about the video, but she declined to answer them.

## GAVEL

From page 4A

This case, like so many other cases involving the sexual exploitation of minors, was solved through successful interagency collaboration and a commitment by detectives and investigators to uncovering and pursuing every lead.

Doe was supported through this process by victim witness program manager Alma Sanchez.

If you or someone you know is being forced to engage in commercial sex work or some other type of labor, call 911 or reach out to the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-(888) 373-7888.

## SHOT

From page 6A

Response Unit — essentially a SWAT team comprising officers from various local law-enforcement agencies — helped Monterey P.D. serve a high-risk search warrant at Avila’s home in the 3000 block of Del Monte Boulevard in Marina.

Detectives subsequently obtained an arrest warrant, and on Tuesday, Pinkas said, Avila “self-surrendered at the Monterey County Jail,” where he was booked for attempted homicide, shooting at an occupied vehicle and at an occupied building, and possession of a loaded firearm in public.

He’s being held on \$1 million bail.

Pinkas asked that anyone who might have useful information regarding the shooting to contact detective Sgt. Greg Galin at (831) 646-3872 or call the anonymous tipline at (831) 646-3840.



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# Car photography moves in new directions

**I**N TANDEM with Car Week, Winfield Gallery is hosting a display of images by Michael Furman and David Wiener — each of whom has earned acclaim for photographing some of the world’s finest automobiles. Titled “Departure Car,” the show closes Aug. 20.

While the photographers share a great affection for cars, each takes a very differ-

## ■ ‘Made in Italy’

A display of paintings by Johnny Apodaca is featured this month at the Carmel Art Association, and this Saturday at 2 p.m., the artist presents a free talk. “He will discuss his process and his passion for painting plein air, while sharing his experiences as a Monterey County artist for over 50 years,” according to the gallery.

Titled “Made in Italy,” the exhibit features paintings created during Apodaca’s travels in the country. The artist has a studio near Lake Trasimeno in the province of Umbria, and he and his wife travel there each spring.

“From this idyllic home base, he and his wife, Janelle, drive or take the train to various locales where he sets up his easel,” the gallery added.

“As a landscape painter, Apodaca is grateful to make this ‘Grand Tour’ each year. Italy provides him with endless inspiration and opportunities.”

The gallery is located on Dolores between Fifth and Sixth.

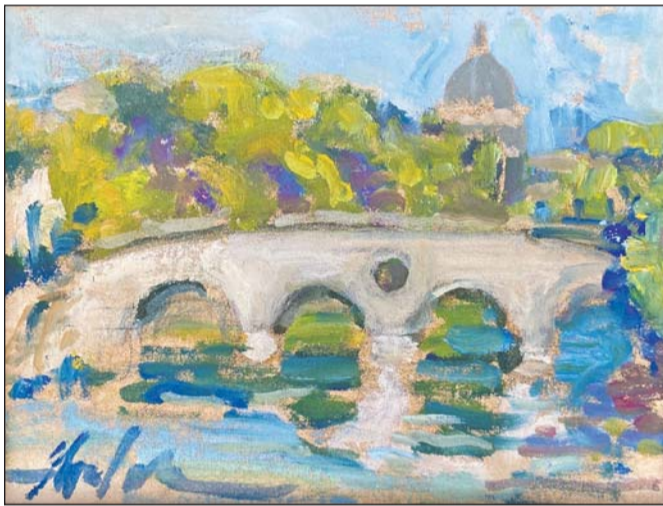
## Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

ent creative approach to capturing images of them.

“Furman’s elegant studio images of historic and iconic GT and race cars will be juxtaposed with the modern abstract automotive art of Wiener, an internationally renowned automotive designer and artist,” the gallery said. “Furman’s artistry in capturing the beauty of automotive design plays against Wiener’s fresh perspective on the world of automotive fine art.”

Winfield Gallery is located on Dolores between Ocean and Seventh.



Johnny Apodaca’s plein air paintings from Tuscany are featured in an exhibit at the Carmel Art Association.

# ARTIST

From page 27A

purchase the book to learn the rest, but suffice it to say the traumatizing abandonment dramatically impacted Simmons’ life.

“At 16, I solemnly vowed never to do unto my own children what my mother had done to me,” she wrote in the introduction to “My Mother Next Door.”

Much of her life today is devoted to her grown kids, Natalie and Nick, and to a multi-pronged crusade for women.

Beginning on Sept. 28, that will include an exhibition of her “Many Faces of Womanhood” series in the tasting room at Dawn’s Dream Winery (Seventh Avenue and San Carlos Street), a monthlong show that will open with a 3 p.m. artist’s reception.

Simmons also serves on the Women’s Fund Leadership Council and as a board member and director-at-large for the Carmel Public Library Foundation. She has been involved with Girls’ Health in Girls’ Hands and was a founder of the WomenH2H Global Leadership Circle. She was a consultant and moderator for “Women in Film” at the Carmel International Film Festival and is a filmmaker and a motivational speaker.

### A 29-year career

A native of England, she moved America at age 27 to accept a position with an advertising agency in the Saatchi & Saatchi group, part of a 29-year career in advertising and marketing. She married Bill Simmons at 32, had Natalie the following year and Nick four-and-a-half years later.

“We moved to the Peninsula in 2005 because of the quality of the schools,” said Simmons, who sent Natalie and Nick to nearby private schools Santa Catalina and Stevenson, respectively. They lived in Carmel Valley before moving to Hatton Fields.

In Carmel, she also reconnected with her youthful passion for creating fine art. Originally a representational artist, she

began developing a deep affection for the contemporary-abstract style about four years ago, becoming more committed in early 2023, when she began painting at Open Ground Studios.

“The work I’m creating now is purely from my heart and soul,” she said. “People are reacting to it, liking it and buying it, and I think it’s because I have this life experience coming out of me.”

Simmons paints large — her smallest pieces typically are 36-by-36 inches — and embraces the freedom of approaching a blank canvas with no formula, no rules and no limitations.

### Childlike wonder

“It’s like a meditation for me. I listen to music as I paint. I love to play — I feel that childlike wonder and awe that we often lose as adults,” she said. “Sometimes I finish a painting in a few hours, other times I’ll work on one for days. Most of the time, it comes out totally different than I had planned.”

Although Simmons travels frequently, often to take workshops from other artists, and has a second home with her husband in Incline Village near Lake Tahoe, she draws much of her inspiration from strolls along the shores of the lake and from the ocean and natural beauty of the Monterey Peninsula.

“I walk every day with my dog, and nature and the ocean are very important elements to me. I feel so blessed to live in such a beautiful, safe part of the world.

“I’m an author, I’m an artist, I’m a mother, I’m a traveler and explorer — my life today feels very fulfilled,” she said. “We’re multidimensional beings. I don’t think we have to put ourselves in a box, nor do I think our art should be put in a box.”

Images of her paintings and additional information can be found at dianedanvers-simmons.com. Access her podcast and find information about her book at mothersanddaughtersunfiltered.com.

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# The Carmel Pine Cone

Section 2

Life is good and so is his game — Geisen shoots his age an amazing 221 times

**DONEL GEISEN**, a free-range kind of kid, was just a toddler when he began tagging along with his grandmother to the Beach Club.

Louise Waller O'Brien, a tennis and golf enthusiast, died when he was in grade school, but introduced her grandson to golf before she passed.

with a very short backswing," he said. "But it's worked out OK."

In the unabridged history of humble understatements, that one ranks pretty high. Over the past 14 years, the Carmel resident has "shot his age" 221 times, most recently on July 31, when Geisen — age 78 — needed just 77 strokes to finish an 18-hole round at Laguna Seca Golf Ranch.

The Carmel High graduate (Class of '63) first accomplished the feat in the summer of 2010, at 64, carding a 64 on the east course at Rancho Cañada Golf Club.

## Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

"There was a practice range over there at the time, so while she was playing tennis, I'd wander down there and hit balls until she was finished," reminisced Geisen, who figured out the rest over the past 7 1/2 decades.

"I'm self-taught, which is why I have a unique swing,

### A shot in the heart

"A fellow named Pat Stafford was keeping score that day, it came down to the last hole, and everybody knew there was an elephant in the room — I had a pretty good round going," Geisen recollected.

"I got on the green in three. I had a downhill putt, 12 feet, breaking left to right, for a par. I hit it perfect, dead into the heart of the cup, and Pat absolutely went crazy. I mean, he enjoyed the moment even more than I did, which made it a really wonderful experience for me."

At 72, he shot his age 11 times. At 75, he did it 17 times. He shot 76 a remarkable 27 times. And since turning 78, the total was 13 at press time.

"So, theoretically, it's getting easier," joked Geisen, who missed a few rounds during the Covid pandemic, and a few more earlier this year after hip-replacement surgery.

His trophy collection commemorates 21 club championships — 18 at Rancho Cañada, plus two senior championships



PHOTO/DENNIS TAYLOR

Lynn Geisen (right), who married Donel 57 years ago (the weekend of Monterey Pop Festival), has taught yoga locally for the past 25 years. Her husband now is one of her students.

and a regular crown at Old Del Monte. A favorite memory is being part of the 12-player roster that won the Northern California Golf Association Match Play Team Championship in 2000. And in 2009, he won the Apple City Amateur, played at Watsonville's Spring Hills Golf Course and Pajaro Valley Golf Club in Royal Oaks.

Geisen has nine holes-in-one, the most recent in November 2022 at Monterey Pines.

### Ace, eagle, four birds, same ball

A treasure on his mantle is Titleist Pro V1 golf ball he used at for three consecutive rounds, during which he scored a hole in one and a birdie at Laguna Seca, and an

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Donel Geisen, second from the left, played four years for Coach Buzz Rainer on Carmel High's golf team, battling Robert Louis Stevenson School for league dominance, but says several teammates were better.



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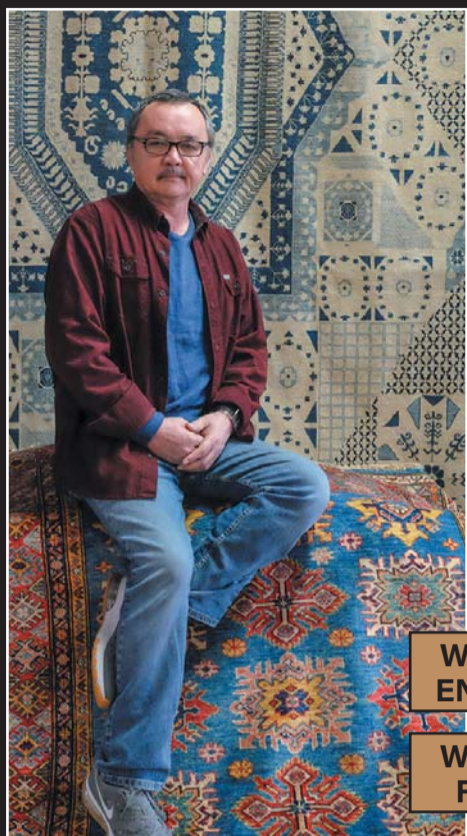
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eagle and three birdies at Old Del Monte. “I said, ‘This ball doesn’t deserve to be lost,’ and I retired it in recognition of its excellent support of my game,” Geisen recalled.

His secret is not complicated: He hits the ball straight, staying out of trouble, his short irons are strong, and he putts well.

“I’m not the longest hitter out there, but I’m pretty consistent, and pretty level-headed,” Geisen said.

“I still screw up, but the most satisfying thing at my age — and also the most frustrating thing — is that you always know exactly what you’ve done wrong,” he elaborated. “And it always comes back to the same basic stuff: slow down, concentrate, don’t let a mistake get to you ....”

Geisen fell in love with golf, frequently sneaking onto Pebble Beach, and tennis, learning from John Gardner, and sailed out of Stillwater Cove on Carmel Bay throughout a largely unfettered youth, when he was mostly left to his own devices.

“I went through Carmel schools until the second half of the eighth grade,” he said. “That’s when my mother went to Europe with one of my sisters, and I moved up to Squaw Valley finished the year at Tahoe-Truckee Junior High.”

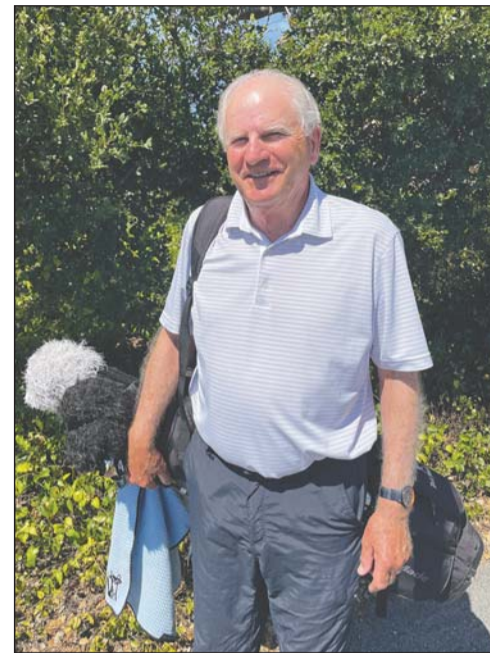
**Bronze medalist’s skis**

Geisen became a competitive skier on a pair of old skis he purchased from a classmate, Jimmy Huga, who went on to win a bronze medal in the 1960 Winter Olympics at Squaw Valley.

“My parents had just gotten a divorce, and I got out of school for two weeks to go back to Squaw Valley and work at the Olympics,” recalled Geisen, who was in his freshman year at Carmel High at the time. “I got to be a courier for a Time-Life photographer, which mostly meant that I followed him around and carried his stuff.

“But I got to see the opening ceremonies, ski jumping, skiing, and the hockey games, including the one between the U.S. and the Russians (USA 3, USSR 2, for the gold medal).”

During his four years at Carmel High, he played on the golf team (the Padres and Robert Louis Stevenson School both claimed Pebble Beach as their home course), and one year of basketball.



PHOTO/DENNIS TAYLOR

Carmel native Donel Geisen has ‘shot his age’ 221 times over the past 14 years, and has nine career holes-in-one. At 78, he plays four times a week on local courses, typically walking the 18-hole round.

“I was the second-shortest kid in the high school as a freshman and was almost 6 feet tall by the end of my sophomore year,” he remembered. “But I only weighed 130 pounds.”

Carmel’s golf team — which included future Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback

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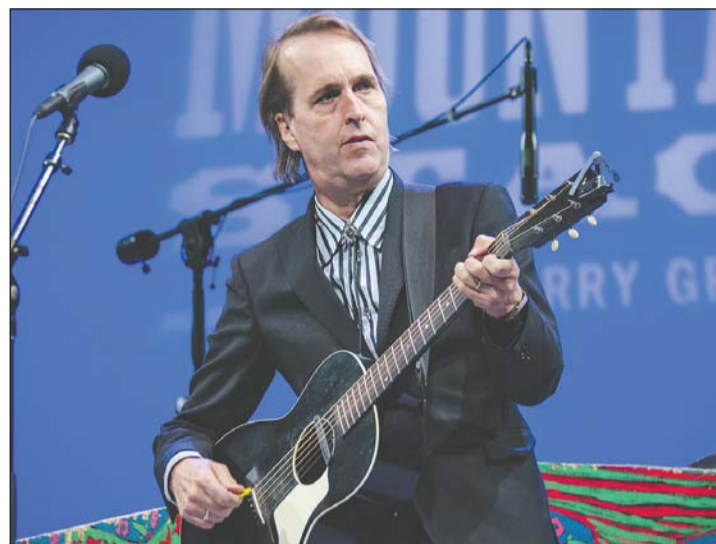
Live Music,  
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## Prophet plays Folktale after using music to help regain his health

**SINGER AND** guitarist **Chuck Prophet**, 61, had a difficult battle with lymphoma, but the challenges of overcoming a serious illness didn't keep him from playing his music, and now that he's recovered, he's back on the road and performs Wednesday, 5 p.m., at Folktale Winery in

"I was in a tunnel," he said. "But I had music — music to play, music to listen to, and music to get me out of my head."

Tickets start at \$30. The winery is located at 8940 Carmel Valley Road. For tickets, visit [folktalewinery.ticketbud.com](http://folktalewinery.ticketbud.com).



Back on the road, Chuck Prophet, former member of the psychedelic rock band, Green on Red, plays Aug. 21 at Folktale Winery in Carmel Valley.

### On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

Carmel Valley.

A one-time member of the psychedelic rock band, Green on Red, Prophet has released 16 albums as a solo artist, and he has a new record, "Wake the Dead," that is coming out soon. During his health struggles, Prophet said music was his savior.



Singer and guitarist Citizen Cope performs Wednesday, 8 p.m., at the Golden State Theatre in Monterey.

### Chamber music tickets

Tickets are on sale for Chamber Music Monterey Bay's 2024-25 season, which kicks off Nov. 9, when the Pacific Quartet performs at Sunset Center. "This season promises to deliver an array of captivating performances by world-renowned ensembles and musicians," the group says.

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### Oboist in the spotlight

The Festival of the Winds at Hidden Valley Music Seminars in Carmel Valley wraps up with a concert Friday at 7:30 p.m.

The performers include "17 of America's finest young woodwind players," along with "five master teachers," who are in town "for two weeks of intensive learning, rehearsal, and performances."

Tickets are \$15. Concerts are also set for Aug. 12 and Aug. 16.

Also, oboist **Elaine Douvas** presents a recital Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Douvas, who teaches at the Juilliard School, plays principal oboe for the Metropolitan Opera. Tickets for that event are \$25.

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## Aubergine gets second Michelin Star, wine celebration follows the cars

LAST WEEK, Aubergine executive chef Justin Cogley and his culinary team learned their restaurant had earned an extraordinary honor. The establishment they shepherd in L'Auberge Carmel hotel at Monte Verde and Seventh became one of just 13 in the state — and the only one in Monterey County — to earn two Michelin stars.

"It's a true destination," Cogley said. "A two-star distinction is worth a detour."

### Soup to Nuts

David Fink, who owns the Mirabel Hotel & Restaurant Group that includes L'Auberge Carmel, noted that Cogley, a partner in the restaurant, is known for his passion and drive.

"There's been incredible creativity and constant evolution and change," he said. "People who aren't in the business might not know that so much daily effort and hard work goes into what we do every day. You've got this great leader at the top, and this amazing team behind him. I couldn't be more proud."

Inspections by Michelin Guide reviewers are secret and anonymous. "You've got to be on your game for every

single customer every single night," Fink said.

Cogley explained that the nine-table restaurant serves about 8,000 guests annually, and during his nearly 13 years as executive chef, he's built the team from four people to 14, many of whom have worked there for five years or more.

"Especially this last 12 months, Chef has had a new determination and an increased drive for excellence," Fink said. "As good as the team was, he just stepped it up a notch. It's a wonderful dining experience."

John Haffey, the lead sommelier, was given the guide's coveted Sommelier Award last year, and pastry chef Yulanda Santos is very impressive, too.

"I could go on and on," Fink said. "The team is just so talented."

They learned of their new rating at Michelin Guide's annual reveal at the Ritz in Half Moon Bay last Monday night.

Cogley said he was nervous.

"It was super stressful, because there's a lot riding on these awards," he said. "It means so much for the team. We don't work in an easy profession."

#### No rest for the best

In addition to the surprise and adrenaline he felt at the announcement, Cogley said that when he went onstage to receive his official Michelin two-star chef's jacket, "It was hard to keep back the tears."

Fink called it "a dream come true" for Cogley and his team.

"And now the real work begins," he said. "You can't rest on your laurels. You can enjoy it for a little while, but the expectations from our guests go up, so we have to be better."

Cogley says he is well aware of that fact.

"We have to be different. We have to have something where people want to come in and celebrate with us," he said. "We're a special occasion restaurant. That has helped us stay consistently busy. We have a lot of return guests, because they always like something new. We have a responsibility to them."

A former professional figure skater, Cogley relies on morning runs and other athletic endeavors to manage the stress of the job. "We're lucky we live in such a beautiful place where we can do that," he said.



Chef Justin Cogley of Aubergine, inside L'Auberge Carmel hotel, proudly displays the Michelin two-star plaque and his matching chef coat. The restaurant is just one of 13 in the state to achieve the coveted rating.

Prior to joining the kitchen at Aubergine, he worked for renowned Chicago chef Charlie Trotter, who "ran an extremely tight kitchen."

"It was more than just the food," he said. Every surface was meticulously cleaned every night, every aspect of the dining experience was perfect, and Trotter was exacting.

"He always described it as the bachelor's degree of the culinary world," said Cogley, who spent four years there before moving to the Monterey Peninsula.

Now, more than a dozen years later, he's celebrating the hard work and success that has further elevated Aubergine, which earned its first star when Michelin released its inau-

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gural California Restaurant Guide in 2019. “You have the blessing of this — it’s a huge achievement for Carmel and the culinary scene — and now you have to keep it,” he said, adding that he’s enjoyed an outpouring of support from all over the world. “I can tell you there’s a lot of exciting stuff down the road.”

## Winemakers to celebrate

A week after the Car Week crowds have dispersed, the 31st Annual Monterey Wine Country Winemakers’ Celebration will take place in downtown Carmel Aug. 24 from 2 to 4 p.m. (VIP ticket holders get in an hour earlier, at 1 p.m.)

Spread along Dolores between Ocean and Seventh avenues and on Seventh between Dolores and San Carlos, some 34 wineries from all over Monterey County

will offer tastes of their best selections as more than a dozen local restaurants offer small bites to complement them.

For many years, the celebration was held in early May, but organizers shifted it this year to late August to celebrate the beginning of harvest, according to the non-profit Monterey County Vintners & Growers Association.

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## ■ Jewish Food Festival returns

Since the Covid pandemic, Congregation Beth Israel in Carmel Valley has staged its annual feast of latkes, blintzes and corned beef as a drive-through/pickup event. On Aug. 25, however, it returns as a full-day, in-person celebration.

Starting at 11:30 a.m., there will be a series of sessions sharing Jewish culture, with two storytelling gatherings at 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. in the synagogue's sanctuary, plus a mock wedding at noon in the social hall, followed by Israeli folk dancing at 12:30, and a sanctuary tour at 1 p.m. Craft-making for kids will be available all day in the main festival area.

The event is free to attend, but if you want to eat — and of course, you want to

eat — you have to stop by the Gelt booth to purchase food festival tokens to pay for your noshes.

Booths will serve a variety of Jewish specialties, like crispy potato latkes, two kinds of knishes (potato and buckwheat), fluffy matzo balls with or without chicken soup (aka "Jewish penicillin"), regular and vegetarian chopped liver, sweet noodle kugel, and blintzes — which organizers described as "little Jewish burritos." There will be plenty of pastrami and corned beef, too.

### Egg creams

Featured desserts and baked goods include the triangular filled cookies known as Hamantaschen, as well as Hamelach, strudel, cheesecake, matzo chocolate nut toffee, seeded rye bread, and bourekas (flaky pastry with spinach and feta filling, similar to Greek spanakopita), challah and chocolate babka. You can also get an egg cream, the sweet and chocolatey New York beverage that has neither eggs nor cream. Instead, it's a blend of seltzer, milk and chocolate syrup. Wikipedia suggests that the name came from the Yiddish "echt," which means "genuine or real," making the egg cream simply "good cream," which will give you something to talk about in between bites and sips.

There won't be any shuttles this year, but visitors will be directed to onsite parking at the synagogue. While craft vendors



At the end of August, Congregation Beth Israel's annual Jewish Food Festival revives its full, in-person event. After years of a drive-through/pickup approach brought on by the pandemic, guests can once again sit down and enjoy plates heaped with latkes, knishes and other delicious treats.

won't be there, either, the synagogue's gift shop will be open. To learn more, visit [carmelbethisrael.org](http://carmelbethisrael.org), where you can also pre-order food for pickup and sign up to volunteer, if you like. The congregation is at 5716 Carmel Valley Road.

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

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# FOOD & WINE

## SPORTS

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Danny Holman, John Leffer (the team's best player), Marty Andrews, Dick McClean, and Geisen — was coached by Buzz Rainer and battled Stevenson for league dominance.

### Pebble for free

“Some of us worked at Pebble, parking carts and filling the soda machine for the caddiemaster, Ray Parga, and we got to putt and chip all day long,” he said. “Around 3 o'clock, Ray sometimes would let us sneak onto the course and play for free.”

After graduation, Geisen became a not-so-serious student at Monterey Peninsula College — “I majored in women and drinking, and flunked out two or three times,” he said — and then, at age 21, went on a blind date with Barbara Lynn Burgers, a Los Gatos High alumna.

“No, it wasn't love at first sight. He went to Reno right after he met me!” scolded Lynn, who married him six months later in the summer of 1967 (the weekend of the Monterey Pops Festival), at St. John's Chapel in Monterey. They celebrated their 57th anniversary in June.

“She worked at the Bank of Carmel, then Crocker Bank, and basically put me through Cal State Hayward,” said Donel, whose diploma is signed by Gov. Ronald Reagan.

“I got a job for a while as an administrator at the district attorney's office, then became a State Farm Insurance agent (the beginning of a 25-year career).”

After their son, Loch, was born during their 10th year of marriage, Lynn became a homemaker and mom, and Donel exchanged golf (which took too much time) for tennis.

“I got back into golf after our son got interested in things other than playing with his dad,” Geisen said with a laugh.

### 'Life is good'

For the past 25 years, Lynn has taught yoga on the Peninsula (Donel is one of her students) — sometimes seven days a week — which allows him to satisfy his four-day-a-week golf habit with a gaggle of longtime friends.

“You can file all of that under, 'Life is good!'” Lynn

said.

The Geisens also have been avid philanthropists through the years.

Working with the Children's Home Society and volunteering at Carmel schools have been two of Lynn's favorite causes.

Geisen has served as president of Volunteers in Action, Friends of Carmel Unified Schools and the Cypress Fire District, chair of Citizens for Carmel Schools and the Human Race Walk-a-Thon, and a sponsor of Every Fifteen Minutes, which advocates for sober high school graduation celebrations. He also volunteered five years as an assistant coach of Carmel High's girls and boys golf teams.

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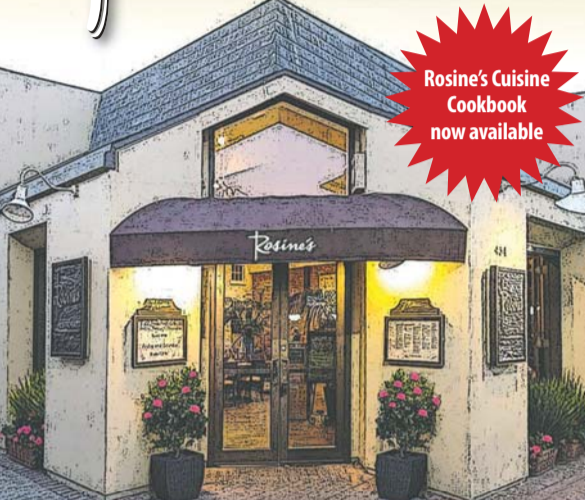


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# MUSIC

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316 Alvarado St.  
**Asilomar Conference Grounds** in Pacific Grove — singer and guitarist **Shawn Yanez** (Friday at 6:30 p.m.), 800 Asilomar Ave.  
**Barmel** — singer and guitarist **Tony Burciaga** (Sunday 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.), singer and pianist **Reija Massey** (pop, rock and country, Saturday at noon), pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Fred McCarty** (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.  
**Bon Ton LeRoy's Lighthouse Smokehouse** in Monterey — Open Mic Night (Thursday at 7 p.m.), 794 Lighthouse Ave.  
**Bulldog Sports Pub** in Monterey — **Tribe in the Sky** presents a weekly Community Jam (Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.), 611 Lighthouse Ave.

**Cibo** restaurant in Monterey — **The Dave Holodiloff Duo** (jazz, Sunday at 6 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.  
**Congregation Beth Israel** in Carmel Valley — “Dylan and Dylan” with actor **Taelen Thomas** and musicians **Steve Mortensen, Laura Burian** and **Dixie Dixon** (tribute to Dylan Thomas and Bob Dylan, Saturday at 7 p.m.), 5716 Carmel Valley Road.  
**Cuz's Sportsman's Club** in Seaside — **Spit 'n' Mud** (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

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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 **Kaye Bohler** and others (r&b and blues, Saturday at 4 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Alvon Johnson** and others (r&b and blues, Sunday at 3 p.m.), 500 Broadway.

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

**Folktale Winery** in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Chuck Prophet** (country and rock, Wednesday at 5 p.m.), 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

**Golden State Theatre** in Monterey — **The White Album Ensemble** (Beatles tribute, Saturday at 8 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Citizen Cope** (Wednesday at 8 p.m.), 417 Alvarado St.

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

**Hyatt Carmel Highlands** — guitarist **Glenn Bell** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), 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 **Casey Frazier** (Friday at 5 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kevin Pfeffer** (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 — guitarist **John Sherry** (rock and blues, Friday and Saturday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Zack Freitas** (Saturday at 9 a.m.), guitarist **Terrence Farrell** (Latin music, Sunday at 9 a.m.), 750 Cannery Row.

**Juice 'n' Java** in Pacific Grove — electric banjoist **Sam Wallace** (Friday at 4:30 p.m.), Open Mic (Friday at 7 p.m., sign up by 5:30 p.m.), **The Kenny Stahl Trio** (jazz, Saturday at 6:30 p.m.), mandolinist **David Holodiloff** and violinist **Elijah McCuller** (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**



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

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

**The Lodge at Pebble Beach — Andrea's Fault Duo** (pop and jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kip Allert** (Saturday at 6 p.m.). In the Terrace Lounge at 1700 17 Mile Drive.



John and Tyler Weed and multi-instrumentalist Adam Hendey will perform an evening of instrumental tunes, contemporary compositions, and timeless song, Wednesday at St. Mary's by the Sea in Pacific Grove.

**Lucy's on Lighthouse** in Pacific Grove — **Scarlet** (rock, Friday at 5 p.m.), **The Rogue Roosters** (rock and blues, Saturday at 2 p.m.), **The Transducers** (rock and funk, Sunday at 2 p.m.). 1120 Lighthouse Ave.

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

**Melville Tavern** in Monterey — **Chuck 'n' Buck** (rock and blues, Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.). 484 Washington St.

**Midici Pizza** in Monterey — singer **Lauri Hofer-Romero**, guitarist **Bob Basa** and bassist **Steve Uccello** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.), singer **Miranda Perl** and guitarist **Adam Astrup** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St.

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

**Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa** — pianist **Steve Mann** (jazz, Friday and Sunday 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.



Kaye Bohler brings her own brand of "blues and R&B soul" to Deja Blue in Seaside, Saturday at 4 p.m.

**Salty Seal Pub** in Monterey — **The Rogue Roosters** (rock and blues, Friday at 8 p.m.), **Vinyl Revival** ("danceable vintage and modern classics," Saturday at 8 p.m.), **Rhumba Madre** (Latin fusion, Sunday at 4 p.m.), **Snake Oil Road Show** (acoustic alt-rock, 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.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20241510  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**1. DEL REY SUPPLY**  
**2. DEL REY FINE PLUMBING & HARDWARE**  
575 Charles Ave., Seaside, CA 93955.  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: CYPRESS BAY INC.  
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
This business is conducted by a corporation.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 15, 2021.

**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).  
S/Edward L. DeBerry, President  
Date: Aug. 1, 2024  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Aug. 6, 2024.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20241487  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **CARMEL VALLEY INK BODY ARTS, 7162 Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: COASTAL INK LLC, 7162 Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.  
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
This business is conducted by a limited liability partnership.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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S/Thalia Lety Sanchez  
Date: Aug. 1, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20241498  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
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Registrant(s):  
FERNANDO ZAMBRANO MAGANA,  
583 MARIPOSA ST, SALINAS, CA 93906  
This business is conducted by an Individual  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.  
S/ FERNANDO ZAMBRANO MAGANA  
This statement was filed with the

County Clerk of Monterey County on 08/05/2024.  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20241541  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**1. FAIRCHILD VACATION RENTALS**  
**2. FAIRCHILDRV**  
615 Abrego Street, Monterey, California 93940.  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: FAIRCHILD PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC, 615 Abrego Street, Monterey, California 93940.  
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
This business is conducted by a limited liability partnership.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 8, 2019.  
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S/Peter Laughlin, Manager  
Date: Aug. 12, 2024  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Aug. 12, 2024.

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

File No. 20241526  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MY BOOKKEEPER, 1541 Monterey St., Soledad, CA 93960.**  
Registered Owner(s):  
PETRA MENA, 1541 Monterey St., Soledad, CA 93960.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 9, 2024.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

S/Petra Mena  
Date signed: August 9, 2024  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Aug. 9, 2024.  
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20241502  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **OCTAVE HEARING SYSTEMS, 975 W. Alisal Street #E, Salinas, CA 93901.**  
Registered Owner(s): **JOE ANTHONY PEREZ, 975 W. Alisal Street #E, Salinas, CA 93901.**  
This business is conducted by an individual.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 23, 2018.  
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S/Joel Perez  
Date signed: August 5, 2024  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on August 5, 2024.

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
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APN: 127-322-016-000 TS No.: 24-07864CA TSG Order No.: 240212955

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST

YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED SEPTEMBER 12, 2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Affinia Default Services, LLC, as the duly appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded September 21, 2007 as Document No.: 2007072787 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Monterey County, California, executed by: Lloyd E. Humes, a married man, as Trustor, will be sold AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER for cash (payable in full at time of sale by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state). All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said deed of trust in the property situated in said county and state, and as more fully described in the above referenced deed of trust. Sale Date: September 10, 2024 Sale Time: 10:00 AM Sale Location: At the main entrance to the County Administration Building at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901 PLEASE SEE "EXHIBIT A" 2 File No.: 24-07864CA The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 700 Maher Ct # B (Unincorporated Area), Watsonville, CA 95076. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: \$106,507.98 (Estimated) as of. Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgage, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call, (916) 939-0772 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this internet website, www.nationwideposting.com, for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, T.S.# 24-07864CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (916) 939-0772, or visit this internet website www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 24-07864CA to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. 3 File No.: 24-07864CA If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. For Trustee Sale Information Log On To: www.nationwideposting.com or Call: (916) 939-0772. Dated: August 2, 2024 By: Omar Solorzano Foreclosure Associate Affinia Default Services, LLC 301 E. Ocean Blvd., Suite 1720 Long Beach, CA 90802 (833) 290-7452 EXHIBIT A LEGAL DESCRIPTION REF. NO. 24-07864CA. PARCEL I: PARCEL BAS SHOWN ON THAT CERTAIN MAP FILED FOR RECORD SEPTEMBER 9, 1996 IN VOLUME 19 OF PARCEL MAPS, AT PAGE 153, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF COUNTY RECORDER, COUNTY OF MONTEREY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA EXCEPTING THEREFROM ALL OIL, GAS, MINERALS AND OTHER HYDROCARBON SUBSTANCES BELOW A DEPTH OF 500 FEET, WITHOUT RIGHTS OF SURFACE ENTRY, AS RESERVED IN INSTRUMENTS OF RECORD. PARCEL II: A NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR TANK LOT PURPOSES, WATERLINE PURPOSES 10 FEET WIDE AND 20 FOOT ACCESS EASEMENT LYING WITHIN PARCEL C AS SHOWN ON THE MAP IN VOLUME 19 OF PARCEL MAPS, PAGE 153. PARCEL III: A NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR ROAD AND PUBLIC UTILITIES 30 FEET WIDE LYING OVER, UNDER AND ACROSS PARCEL A, AS SAID PARCEL IS SHOWN ON THAT CERTAIN MAP FILED FOR RECORD SEPTEMBER 9, 1996 IN VOLUME 19 OF PARCEL MAPS, AT PAGE 153, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER, COUNTY OF MONTEREY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA. PARCEL IV: A NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR WELL LOT PURPOSES LYING OVER, UNDER AND ACROSS THAT CERTAIN "WELL LOT EASEMENT", LYING WITHIN PARCEL A AS SAID PARCEL IS SHOWN ON THAT CERTAIN MAP FILED FOR RECORD SEPTEMBER 9, 1996 IN VOLUME 19 OF PARCEL MAPS, AT PAGE 153, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER, COUNTY OF MONTEREY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA. PARCEL V: A NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR WATERLINE PURPOSES, 10 FEET WIDE, LYING OVER, UNDER AND ACROSS PARCEL A AS SAID PARCEL IS SHOWN ON THAT CERTAIN MAP FILED FOR RECORD SEPTEMBER 9, 1996 IN VOLUME 19 OF PARCEL MAPS, AT PAGE 153, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER, COUNTY OF MONTEREY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA. WITH THE APPURTENANCES THERETO. NPP0463699 To: CARMEL PINE CONE 08/16/2024, 08/23/2024, 08/30/2024

Publication dates: Aug. 16, 23, 20, 2024 (PC816)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Wednesday, August 21, 2024, from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.**, the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will host a community meeting in partnership with the citizen's group Affordable Housing Alternatives "AHA" at Carpenter Hall, Sunset Center, and via teleconference for the following purpose:

**Topic:** City Council Resolution 2024-062 directs staff to begin exploring and developing alternative affordable housing sites and programs in lieu of utilizing city-owned sites for affordable housing at Sunset Center and Vista Lobos. Please join us for a community conversation as we continue our planning efforts to identify new affordable housing opportunities within the Village that would allow the removal of the city-owned sites through an amendment to the housing element.

**Who Should Attend?** Residential and Commercial Property Owners, Residents, Business Owners, Employees, Hospitality, Developers, Non-Profit Organizations...All are welcome!

**Location:** Sunset Center, Room: Carpenter Hall, southeast corner of San Carlos Street and 8th Avenue (entrance on Mission Street)

To attend via Zoom, copy and paste this link into your browser:  
<https://ci-carmel-ca-us.zoom.us/j/85990675132?pwd=gObdgrjUJal0FQs1vUK3ZDE65RDZU.1>  
Meeting ID (if needed): 859 9067 5132  
Passcode (if needed): 945568  
To attend via telephone, dial: +1 669 444 9171

The Community Meeting will be broadcast live on the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea's website at <http://carmel.novusagenda.com/agendapublic/meetingsresponsive.aspx> and the City's YouTube Channel at <https://www.youtube.com/c/CityofCarmelbytheSea> and archived there after the meeting. For more information regarding this meeting, please contact the Community Planning and Building Department at (831) 620-2010.

Comments or questions about the meeting can also be directed to Marnie R. Waffle, AICP, Principal Planner: [mwaffle@cbs.us](mailto:mwaffle@cbs.us) or 831-620-2057.

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Publication dates: Aug. 16, 2024 (PC820)

Be prepared for emergencies — [www.alertmontereycounty.org](http://www.alertmontereycounty.org)

# PUBLIC NOTICES

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20241385  
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **BELLA PIEL SKINCARE, 2 NW of 7th on San Carlos, Carmel by the Sea, CA 93921**  
 County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
 Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **BELLA PIEL SKINCARE LLC, 42 Southbank Rd., Carmel Valley, CA 93924.**  
 State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
 This business is conducted by a limited liability company.  
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). *I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).*  
 S/Michelle Ricketson, Managing Member Date: July 17, 2024  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 17, 2024.  
 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
 Publication Dates: July 26, Aug. 2, 9, 16, 2024. (PC 741)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20241344  
 Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.  
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **PASSIONFISH, 701 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.**  
 County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
 Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **CHARBAR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY 1016 Benito Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.**  
 State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
 This business is conducted by a limited liability company.  
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 8, 2024.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). *I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).*  
 S/Meral Alpay, CEO Date: July 8, 2024  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 10, 2024.  
 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
 Publication Dates: July 26, Aug. 2, 9, 16, 2024. (PC 744)

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.  
**INDIGO BUILDERS LLC, S/Justo Rojo, Manager, This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 07/15/2024.**  
**8/2, 8/9, 8/16, 8/23/24**  
**CNS-3830251#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
 Publication Dates: Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024. (PC 802)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 2024183  
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **CALIFORNIA DISTILLING CO., 425 Alta St. Bldg. 15, Gonzales, CA 93926.**  
 County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
 Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **FOG'S END DISTILLERY, LLC, P.O. Box 2102, Gonzales, CA 93926.**  
 State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
 This business is conducted by a limited liability company.  
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). *I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).*  
 S/Henry Wales, Member Date: June 12, 2024  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 12, 2024.  
 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
 Publication Dates: Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024. (PC 805)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20241350  
 Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.  
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **TOWN & COUNTRY GARDENING & LANDSCAPING, 26485 Carmel Rancho Blvd. Suite 2, Carmel, CA 93923.**  
 County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
 Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **TOWN & COUNTRY GARDENING & LANDSCAPING INC, 26485 Carmel Rancho Blvd. Suite 2, Carmel, CA 93923.**  
 State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
 This business is conducted by a corporation.  
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Sept. 13, 2019.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). *I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).*  
 S/Mary Luster, Secretary Date: July 2, 2024  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 11, 2024.  
 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
 Publication Dates: August 9, 16, 23, 30, 2024. (PC 808)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20241460  
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **REDWOOD CATERING & SERVICES, 37751 Palo Colorado Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.**  
 Registered Owner(s): **JAMES NATHANIEL HELTON, 37751 Palo Colorado Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.**  
**LAURA HELTON, 37751 Palo Colorado**

Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.  
 This business is conducted by a married couple.  
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 30, 2024.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
 S/James Helton Date signed: July 30, 2024  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 30, 2024.  
 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
 Publication Dates: Aug. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2024. (PC 809)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**


File No. 20241378  
 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **HEDBERG & ASSOCIATES, LLC, 23799 Monterey Salinas Hwy, Salinas, CA 93908.**  
 County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
 Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **HEDBERG & ASSOCIATES, LLC, P.O. Box 22542, Carmel, CA 93922.**  
 State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
 This business is conducted by a limited liability company.  
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 12, 2024.  
**LIEN SALE**  
 City of Monterey, 250 Figueroa Street, Monterey, 08-28-2024@ 11:00am CA COSTLRECHIN# 652 8/16/24 **CNS-3841652#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
 Publication Dates: August 16, 2024. (PC 817)

**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). *I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).*  
 S/Robert Hedberg, President/CEO Date: July 16, 2024  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 16, 2024.  
 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business

Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
 Publication Dates: Aug. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2024. (PC 812)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20240483  
 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **OCEAN SIDE LANDSCAPING, 1893 SOTO ST, SEASIDE, CA 93955**  
 County of MONTEREY  
 Registrant(s): **MIGUEL CRUZ JIMENEZ, 1893 SOTO ST, SEASIDE, CA 93955**  
 This business is conducted by an Individual  
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.  
 S/MIGUEL CRUZ JIMENEZ  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 08/01/2024.  
 8/16, 8/23, 8/30, 9/6/24  
**CNS-3811092#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
 Publication Dates: Aug. 16, 23, 30, Sept. 6, 2024. (PC 813)

 **The Carmel Pine Cone office will be CLOSED Veterans Day – Monday, Sept 2<sup>ND</sup>**  
**Legals must be submitted no later than 3 P.M. Friday, August 30<sup>TH</sup>**

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS BID NO. 24-03**  
**For the Pavement Improvement Project At Various Locations within The Santa Lucia Preserve**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Board of Directors of the Santa Lucia Community Services District ("District") hereby calls for sealed bid proposals to be received by the Director of Operations of the District, at the Gate House, One Rancho San Carlos Road, Carmel, California 93023 on or before Wednesday, **September 11, 2024** at 10:00 am U.S. Pacific Time Zone, verified at [www.time.gov](http://www.time.gov).

Description of Work: These bids shall cover all the furnishing of all labor, material, equipment, mechanical workmanship, transportation and services which are required for **construction of pavement improvement on the Santa Lucia Preserve**. The work generally includes, but is not limited to, AC repair for approximately 26,000 sq ft to be verified in the field on various locations throughout the Preserve. Cut outs and grinding of at least 4" will be needed, with grindings and cut outs staying on property, and other items that are required within standard specifications or the Invitation to Bid. Bids are required for the entire work described in the Bid Documents. Verification of the scope of work is mandatory via a job walk to take place at 9:00 am on Thursday, **September 5, 2024**. All bids submitted without a job walk will be disqualified.

Contractor's License Requirement. The bidder and all subcontractors of the bidder shall possess a valid California contractor's license issued by the Contractor's State License Board ([www.cslb.ca.gov](http://www.cslb.ca.gov)) for the type(s) of work they are proposing to perform at the time the bid is submitted. The bidder shall possess at a minimum the following California contractor's license Class A or C-12 The Contractor must be properly licensed as a contractor from contract award through contract acceptance (California Public Contract Code § 10164). When the Contractor submits its bid to the District, the Contractor must list each Subcontractor whom the Contractor must disclose under Public Contract Code Section 4104 (Subcontractor Listing Law), and provide all required information.

Contractor Registration Requirement. Pursuant to California Labor Code Section 1771.1(a), a contractor or subcontractor shall not be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code or engage in the performance of any contract for public work, as defined in this chapter, unless currently registered and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5. To register, go to: <http://www.dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/PublicWorks.html>

Bidding Procedures. Bids must be made on a proposal form which is included with the contract specifications and must be signed by the bidder and accompanied by a deposit in the amount shown on the Bidder's Bond which is part of the Proposal and sealed within a bid envelope. The bid envelope is to be addressed to:

"Sealed Bid – Bid No. 24-03 – AC Work, Santa Lucia Community Services District, Attn: District Executive Assistant, Aimee Dahle, Gate House, One Rancho San Carlos Road, Carmel, California 93923."

The deposit may be cash, cashier's check made payable to the District, certified check made payable to the District (certified without qualification and drawn on a solvent bank of the State of California or a National Bank doing business in the State of California), or bid bond executed by an admitted surety insurer, made payable to the District, or the bid will not be considered. This deposit is to serve as agreed liquidated damages should the party or parties to whom the contract is awarded fail to enter into the contract after the award or fail to give the bond required for the faithful performance of the contract or fail to furnish any other bond required by law.

At 10:00 am September 11, 2024 the Bid Proposals will be taken by the Director of Operations of the District and opened and publicly read by him or his authorized representative. All bids received after this time will be returned unopened. The bids, together with a report of the bidders and the respective amounts of the bids, will be presented to the Board of Directors of the Santa Lucia Community Services District on Tuesday, September 17, 2024.

The successful bidder shall furnish a performance bond and a payment bond.

Questions. Direct any questions to:  
 District Executive Assistant Aimee Dahle  
 Santa Lucia Community Service District  
 One Rancho San Carlos Road  
 Carmel, CA 93923  
 831-620-6780  
[adahle@santaluciapreserve.com](mailto:adahle@santaluciapreserve.com)

Obtaining **SCHEDULE and CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS** may be obtained by contacting the Director of Operations. Each bidder shall furnish the District with the name, address, and telephone number of the firm requesting specifications. It is the bidder's responsibility to regularly check for any addenda that may be issued prior to the bid opening date. Failure to acknowledge receipt of an issued addendum will be cause for a submitted bid to be deemed non-responsive. The Plan Holders' List is available by contacting the District.

Addenda. Any addenda issued prior to the bid opening shall constitute part of the Contract Documents. Subject to the limitations of Public Contract Code Section 4104.5, District reserves the right to issue addenda prior to bid time.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and any or all items of such bids and to waive any informality or irregularity in any bid but if the bids are accepted, the contract for the improvement will be let to the lowest responsible bidder for the Project.

Date of Publication: August 16, August 23 & August 30, 2024

By order of the Board of Directors of the Santa Lucia Community Service District.  
 State of California  
 Forrest Arthur General Manager  
 Publication dates: Aug. 16, 23, 30, 2024 (PC825)

T.S. No.: **2023-02045-CA** A.P.N.: **416-027-005-000**  
 Property Address: **11565 RANCHO FIESTA RD, CARMEL, CA 93924-9458**

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

**PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE § 2923.3(a) and (d), THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REFERRED TO BELOW IS NOT ATTACHED TO THE RECORDED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT BUT ONLY TO THE COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR.**

NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED  
 注: 本文件包含一个信息摘要  
 참고사항: 본 첨부 문서에 정보 요약서가 있습니다

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:**  
 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 06/16/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

Trustor: **Jose De Jesus Buenrostro, an unmarried man**  
 Duly Appointed Trustee: **Western Progressive, LLC**  
 Deed of Trust Recorded **06/23/2005** as Instrument No. **2005063305** in book ---, page--- and of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **Monterey** County, California,  
 Date of Sale: 09/24/2024 at 10:00 AM  
 Place of Sale: **AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 168 W. ALISAL STREET, SALINAS, CA 93901**

**Estimated amount of unpaid balance, reasonably estimated costs and other charges: \$ 586,715.95**

THE TRUSTEE WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, A SAVINGS ASSOCIATION OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE:

All right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described as:  
 More fully described in said Deed of Trust

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The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is:  
**\$ 586,715.95.**

**Note:** Because the Beneficiary reserves the right to bid less than the total debt owed, it is possible that at the time of the sale the opening bid may be less than the total debt.

**If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse.**

The beneficiary of the Deed of Trust has executed and delivered to the undersigned a written request to commence foreclosure, and the undersigned caused a Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located.

**NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on this property.

**NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call **(866)-960-8299** or visit this Internet Web site <https://www.alisource.com/loginpage.aspx> using the file number assigned to this case **2023-02045-CA**. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale.

**NOTICE TO TENANT:** You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction, if conducted after **January 1, 2021**, pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call **(866)-960-8299**, or visit this internet website <https://www.alisource.com/loginpage.aspx>, using the file number assigned to this case **2023-02045-CA** to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than **15 days** after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid, by remitting the funds and affidavit described in Section 2924m(c) of the Civil Code, so that the trustee receives it no more than **45 days** after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase.

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Trustee Sale Assistant  
 Date: August 9, 2024  
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**ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.**  
 Publication dates: August 16, 23, 30, 2024 (PC821)

# LIVE

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**Sly McFly's — The Joint Chiefs** (r&b and funk, Friday at 9 p.m.), **Phil 'n' the Blanks** (pop and rock, Saturday at 9 p.m.), **Bazooka Jones** (Sunday at 8:30 p.m.). 700 Cannery Row.

**St. Mary's by the Sea** in Pacific Grove — **The Weeds** and singer and multi-instrumentalist **Adam Hendey** (Celtic, Wednesday at 7 p.m.). Tickets are \$12 to \$35. 146 12th St. For more details, visit [celticsociety.org](http://celticsociety.org)

**Trailside Cafe** in Carmel Valley — **The Mighty Maple** ("acoustic jams and cool grooves," Friday at 6 p.m.), banjo player **Banjer Dan** (bluegrass, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place.

**Wave Street Studios** in Monterey — **Scott Amendola's Stickerphonics** (jazz, Friday at 8:30 p.m.). [waves-treetstudios.com](http://waves-treetstudios.com)

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# CALENDAR

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

**Aug. 16 – Festival of the Winds free concert series:** Seventeen of America's finest young woodwind players and five master teachers gather at Hidden Valley for two weeks of intensive learning, rehearsal and performances. Performance starts at 7:30 p.m.; doors open at 7 p.m. No advance reservation required. The theater is at 104 West Carmel Valley Road, near Ford Road, Carmel Valley Village.

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**Aug. 21 – St. Mary's kicks off next Celtic Concert Series with fan favorites, The Weeds and Adam Hendey.** Order tickets to the 7 p.m. show at [www.celticsociety.org](http://www.celticsociety.org).

**Aug. 27 – World Affairs Council of the Monterey Bay Area presents Col. William McArthur, retired astronaut and U.S. Army aviator, discussing "Russia and the United States in Space: Conflict or Cooperation?"** Col. McArthur is a veteran of three Space Shuttle missions and one expedition to the International Space Station via the Russian Soyuz capsule. Registration and cash wine bar begin 5:30 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn, Monterey. Registrations are due Aug. 22. To register and learn more, visit [www.wacmb.org](http://www.wacmb.org).

**Sept. 6-8 – Don't miss the 91st Festa Italia at the Custom House Plaza in Monterey.** All ages are welcome at this free festive event. Enjoy three days of authentic and delicious Italian cuisine, live music, dancing, bocce tournament, calamari cooking demo, crafts, Italian-themed merchandise, fun and friendship. [www.festaitaliamonterey.org](http://www.festaitaliamonterey.org)

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**Oct. 19- Monterey Firefighters Charity Ball & Firehouse Cooking Competition Awards.** Monterey Marriott, 5pm-10pm. Tickets are \$225. Formal Attire Requested. Proceeds Benefit the Monterey Firefighters Community Foundation. Contact Sarah Ward Murphy for Tickets and More Information: [sarah@montereyfirefighterfoundation.org](mailto:sarah@montereyfirefighterfoundation.org) or 831-641-9067.

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# The Carmel Pine Cone

# Real Estate



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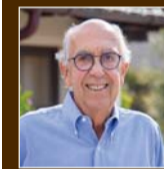
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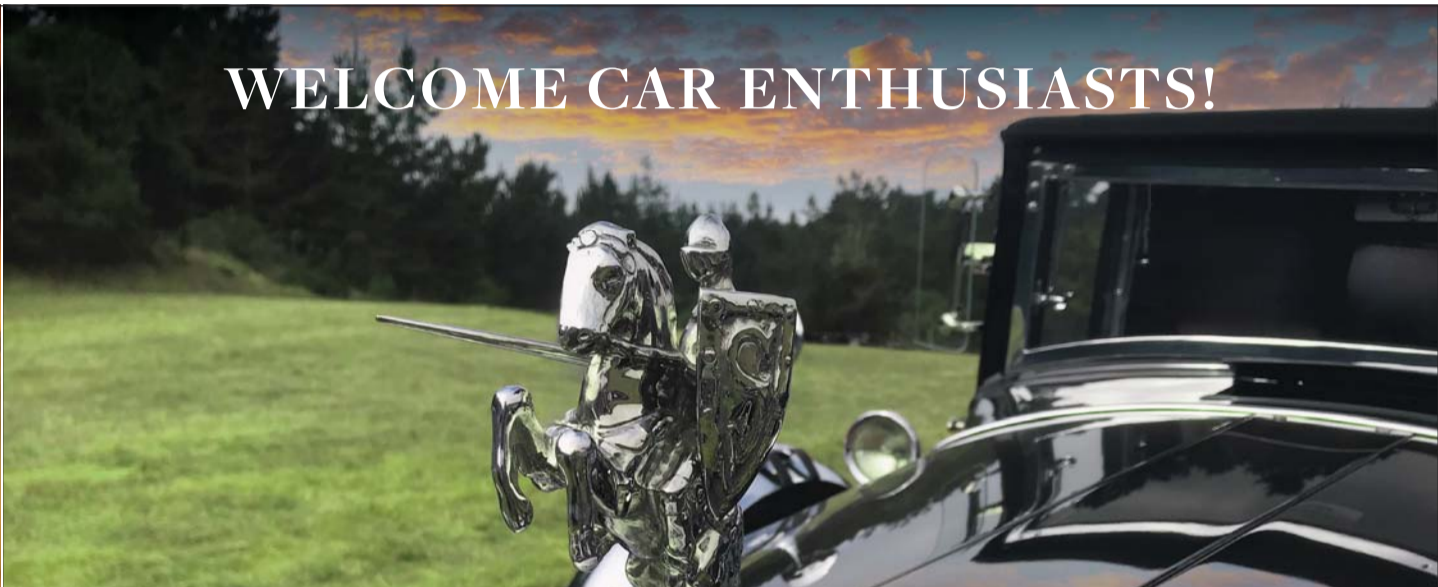
**2781 Telegraph Blvd. — \$900,000**



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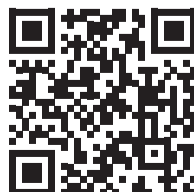
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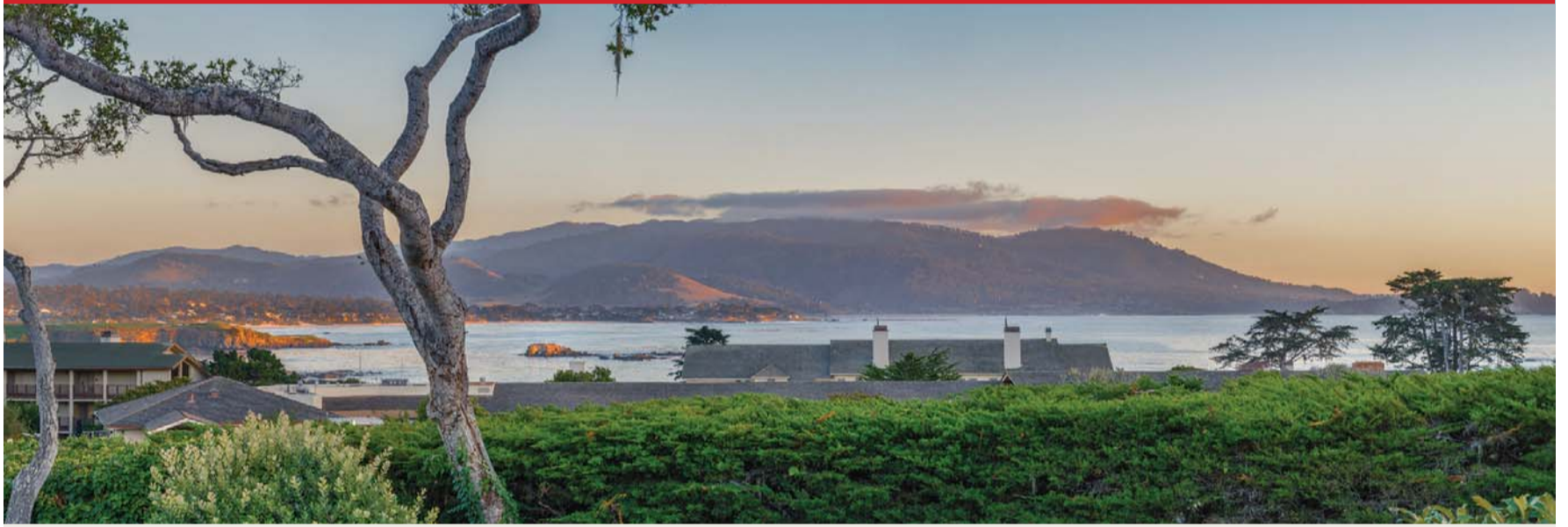
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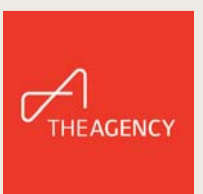


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## POLICE LOG

From page 4A

TUESDAY, JULY 30

### SUNDAY, JULY 28

**Pacific Grove:** A 63-year-old male was arrested on Forest Avenue for probation violation. He was booked into Monterey County Jail on \$7,500 bail.

**Pacific Grove:** A 35-year-old male was arrested and booked into Monterey County Jail for no vehicle registration, obstruction and possession of a controlled substance. He was booked on \$38,500 bail.

### MONDAY, JULY 29

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Hit-and-run on Monte Verde.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Found cell phone turned in at Del Mar and Ocean.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Found license plate at Camino Real and Eighth was turned in.

**Pacific Grove:** Possible theft of rocks from Asilomar turnout. Limited information.

**Pacific Grove:** Vehicle on 18th Street marked for 72-hour parking.

**Carmel Valley:** Female on East Carmel Valley Road said she lost her wallet.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Theft from a vehicle at Dolores and 13th.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Drug-related incident at Junipero and 13th.

**Pacific Grove:** Subject on Pico Place was placed on a 5150 W&I hold [danger to self or others] and was transported to CHOMP.

**Pacific Grove:** Officers dispatched to a residential facility on Gibson Avenue regarding suspicious circumstances.

**Pacific Grove:** Report of a fall on public property on Forest Avenue.

**Pacific Grove:** Vehicle towed from the public roadway at Forest Hill Boulevard and Ransford or expired registration in excess of six months.

**Pacific Grove:** Trailer on Carmel Avenue was marked for 72-hour parking.

**Pacific Grove:** At approximately 0100 hours, officers responded to the 200 block of Lighthouse Avenue in the City of Pacific Grove for a report of a suicidal subject. The subject was placed on a 5150 W&I hold.

**Pacific Grove:** Officers dispatched to a residence on Funston regarding physical domestic violence. The 25-year-old suspect

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me drive it. That car was like honey on biscuits and sugar on strawberries.

One of my early work cars was a fire-engine red '66 Pontiac Catalina. That car looked like it was doing 90 when it was standing still. It caught everyone's eye, including troopers in two states. Now my 10-year-old Subaru Forester looks like it's standing still when it's going fast.

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When I pushed down on the clutch, the brake pedal went down with it, and both stayed down. I tied the ends of an 8-foot piece of a clothesline to each pedal and looped the remaining part behind me near my thighs. To get it going, I pushed the clutch pedal with my left foot while pulling on the rope attached to the brake pedal, shifted from first to second, gave it some gas while pulling up on the end attached to the clutch pedal. Then I repeated the process to shift into third gear. It was right out of a Mack Sennett Keystone Comedy. Three of my classmates watched my rope-a-dope shifting maneuvers and bailed out at the first traffic light. But hey, it had a great radio.

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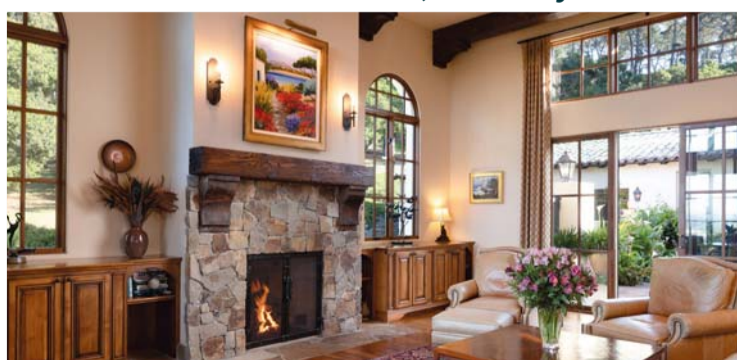
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# GERVASE

From page 10RE

for years. Mine was fine. Ransom E. Olds himself might have steered me away from that beast. But I drove it all over the country with no problems.

My kids loved pulling into truck stops to fuel up, because stores there carried marvelous merchandise like Browning knives, Garmin Fish Finders, and the largest assortment of beef jerky anywhere. And the food was much better than at the fast food franchises.

At 4,224 pounds, the Olds diesel was solid. Later it became the car my son drove

to school with his little sister. It was as sturdy as a Sherman tank.

My favorite car? My father's 1948 DeSoto seven-passenger former Yellow Cab with jump seats. He had it painted dark blue so people wouldn't step off the curb and try to hail him for a ride.

### Caesar's cooler

In 1953, my older brother was stationed at Ft. Bragg, N.C. We drove from Buffalo to visit him. A pit stop was made in a small town somewhere in Pennsylvania. We needed restrooms, gas, and more ice for the huge ice chest my parents traveled with. There was no wasting money in restaurants when you motored with my parents. The car was a movable feast of Italian delicacies. The cooler stored enough mortadella, capicola, salami, and Italian fig cookies to feed Caesar's legions for a month.

Self-service was still several years down the road. As the attendant pumped gas into the DeSoto, he gave it strange looks. He put his head against the rear door window and looked into the cabin. The

jump seats were folded up, so the space between the back of the front and the seats probably looked as cavernous as a Pennsylvania coal mine. Finally he straightened up and started laughing.

"What's so funny?" my father asked.

"That darn thing is a warehouse on wheels," he said.

The story made its way into our family's lore, providing us with many laughs. Dad kept the DeSoto for a few more years. I took my driving test in it. It was a big car, more than 21 feet long and 6 1/2 feet wide. A kindly DMV agent took pity on me. When it came time to parallel park, he picked out a space where I could dock the Queen Mary. I don't know what happened to the DeSoto. I like to think it fulfilled its destiny by living out its days as a courtesy car at the Bunny Ranch in Carson City, Nev.

None of those great rides would be show-worthy at the Concours, but each was a Car d'Elegance to me.

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## SHERIFF

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was later contacted, arrested, and booked into the Monterey County Jail on various felony charges, including probation violation, spousal battery and assault.

**Carmel area:** Report of hate-motivated vandalism to an occupied vehicle at the Crossroads.

**Pebble Beach:** Altercation between juvenile golf camp attendees on Forest Lake Road involving an 11-year-old male and a 15-year-old male.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Traffic stop at San Carlos and 13th for vehicle code violations. Vehicle towed for not being registered and having false DMV tabs. Information only.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Courtesy documen-

tation requested by a subject who resides out of jurisdiction for stolen/missing American Airline miles.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Traffic stop at Valley and Monterey at 1529 hours for a vehicle code violation resulted in the 32-year-old male driver, a line cook from Seaside, being arrested for DUI. The driver was lodged at Monterey County Jail and found to be on DUI probation with one prior DUI in 2023. Vehicle stored.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Attempted phone scam involving a resident at Camino Real and 12th. The caller claimed to be with Amazon and requested sensitive information, including bank account information and Social Security number.

**Carmel Valley:** Remains of a deceased person were discovered at a residence on Valley Way. Coroner was notified.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Information report taken on Mission south of Ocean regarding

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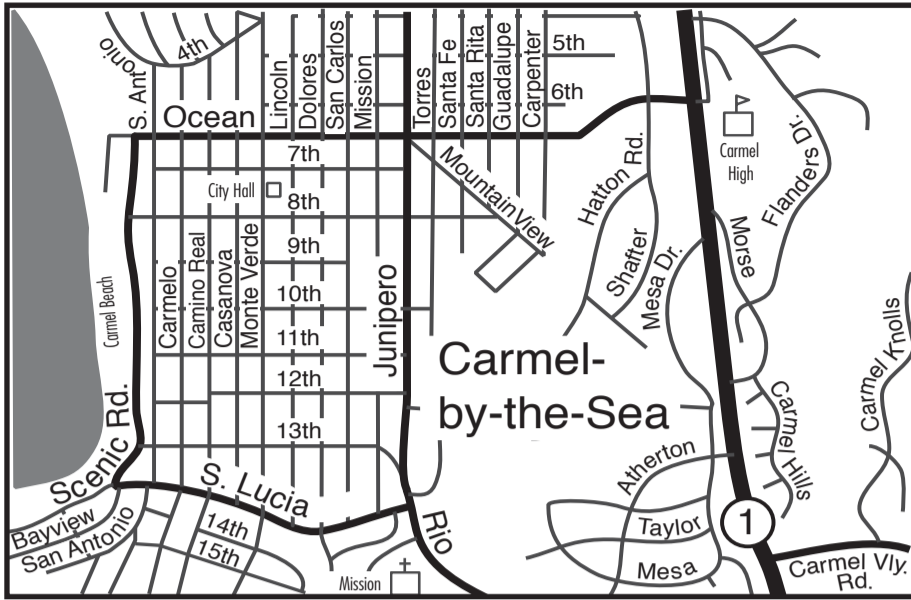
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45 Del Mesa, CAR	\$1,255,000	606 Mar Vista, MTY	\$1,225,000
1107 Presidio Blvd, PG	\$1,050,000	400 Mar Vista, #15, MTY	\$1,050,000
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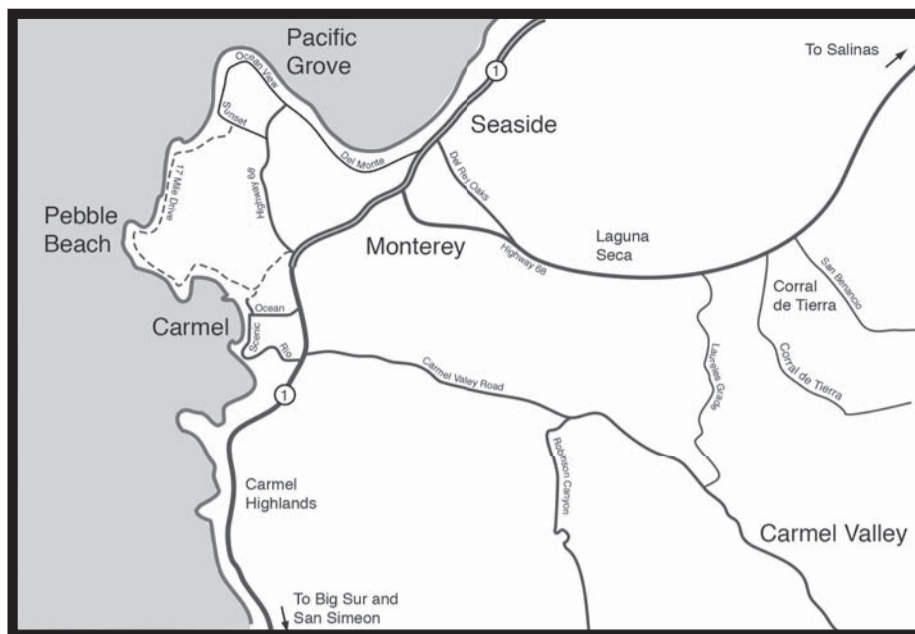
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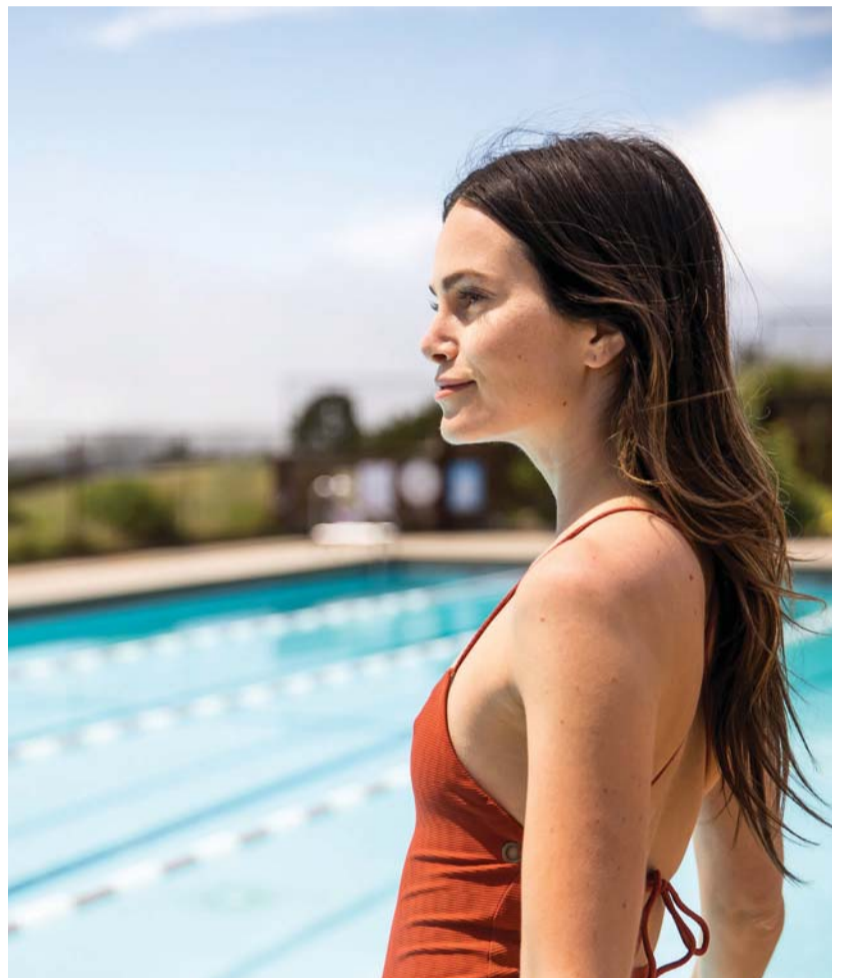


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attempted fraud.

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Banner lost at Sixth and Junipero.  
**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Traffic collision on private property on Seventh Avenue. Vehicle drivable.  
**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** An intoxicated male fell on a public bus at Rio and Lasuen. The male was transported to the hospital.  
**Pacific Grove:** A 27-year-old male was pulled over on Central Avenue for a traffic violation. The subject was arrested due to outstanding warrants for failure to appear in court on a misdemeanor warrant, failure to yield to a pedestrian and driving without a license.  
**Pacific Grove:** A 36-year-old male was arrested on Fountain Avenue and booked into Monterey County Jail for misdemeanor child abuse without great bodily injury or death.  
**Pacific Grove:** Medical call on Lawton.  
**Carmel area:** Ocean Avenue residents, an 80-year-old female and an 84-year-old male, reported getting scammed online for \$40,000. Little or no suspect information.  
**Carmel Valley:** A rifle was found at a West Carmel Valley Road address and submitted for destruction.  
**Pebble Beach:** Report of neglect at a residence on Sloat Road.  
**Carmel Valley:** Online report of attempted fraud on El Caminito.

**Carmel Valley:** Report of financial abuse involving a Center Street resident.  
**Carmel Valley:** Subject on Carmel Valley Road reported a possible restraining order violation.  
**Pebble Beach:** A woman on Crest Road was having issues with her roommate.  
**Carmel Valley:** Deputies responded to a verbal domestic on Del Fino Place.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 2

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Passport lost by a subject at Ocean and Dolores.  
**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vandalism to a vehicle at San Carlos and Seventh.  
**Pacific Grove:** Medical call on Pico Avenue. The subject was taken for a mental health hold.  
**Pacific Grove:** Vehicle on Fountain was marked for 72-hour parking.  
**Pacific Grove:** Officers dispatched to investigate allegations of child abuse on Ninth Street.  
**Pacific Grove:** Battery occurred in the 1700 block of Sunset Drive.  
**Carmel Valley:** Deputies responded for a welfare check on Canada Way.  
**Carmel area:** A disruptive male was given a trespassing warning to stay away from a shopping mall on Carmel Rancho Boulevard.  
**Carmel Valley:** Two firearms surrendered to deputies on Center Street for destruction.  
**Carmel Valley:** A male was issued a trespass admonishment from a Carmel Valley Road property.  
**Carmel Valley:** A burglary on East Carmel Valley Road

was reported. The victim is a 77-year-old female.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A 46-year-old male was cited for a business and professions code violation for after-hours alcohol service at San Carlos and Sixth at 0215 hours.  
**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A 27-year-old female was cited at Mission and Ocean at 0243 hours for driving with a suspended license. Vehicle towed.  
**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report taken at San Carlos and Sixth for a lost wallet.  
**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Attempted telephone scam reported at San Carlos and Vista. The scammer claimed the victim's debit card information had been compromised and requested sensitive information. No reported monetary loss.  
**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report taken at San Carlos and 10th for a lost employee badge.  
**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Investigated juveniles challenging a male adult to a fight at Ocean and Lincoln. Information only.  
**Pacific Grove:** A subject was contacted during a traffic stop at Central and Fifth. The 26-year-old female was cited for driving on a suspended license and released at the scene.  
**Pacific Grove:** A subject was contacted during a vehicle check on Ocean View Boulevard. The 45-year-old male was cited for an outstanding warrant for failing to appear in court on a misdemeanor and various charges, including possession of unlawful paraphernalia and possession of a controlled substance.  
**Pebble Beach:** Vandalism of a trespassing sign at a residence on Macomber Drive.  
**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Ring found. Held at the police department for safekeeping.  
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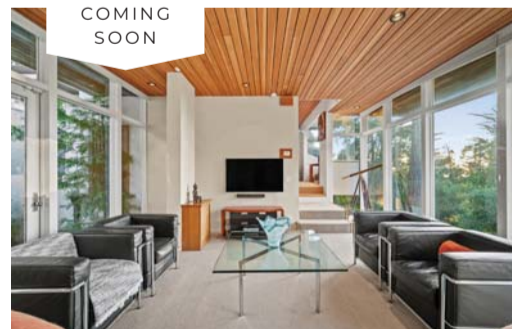
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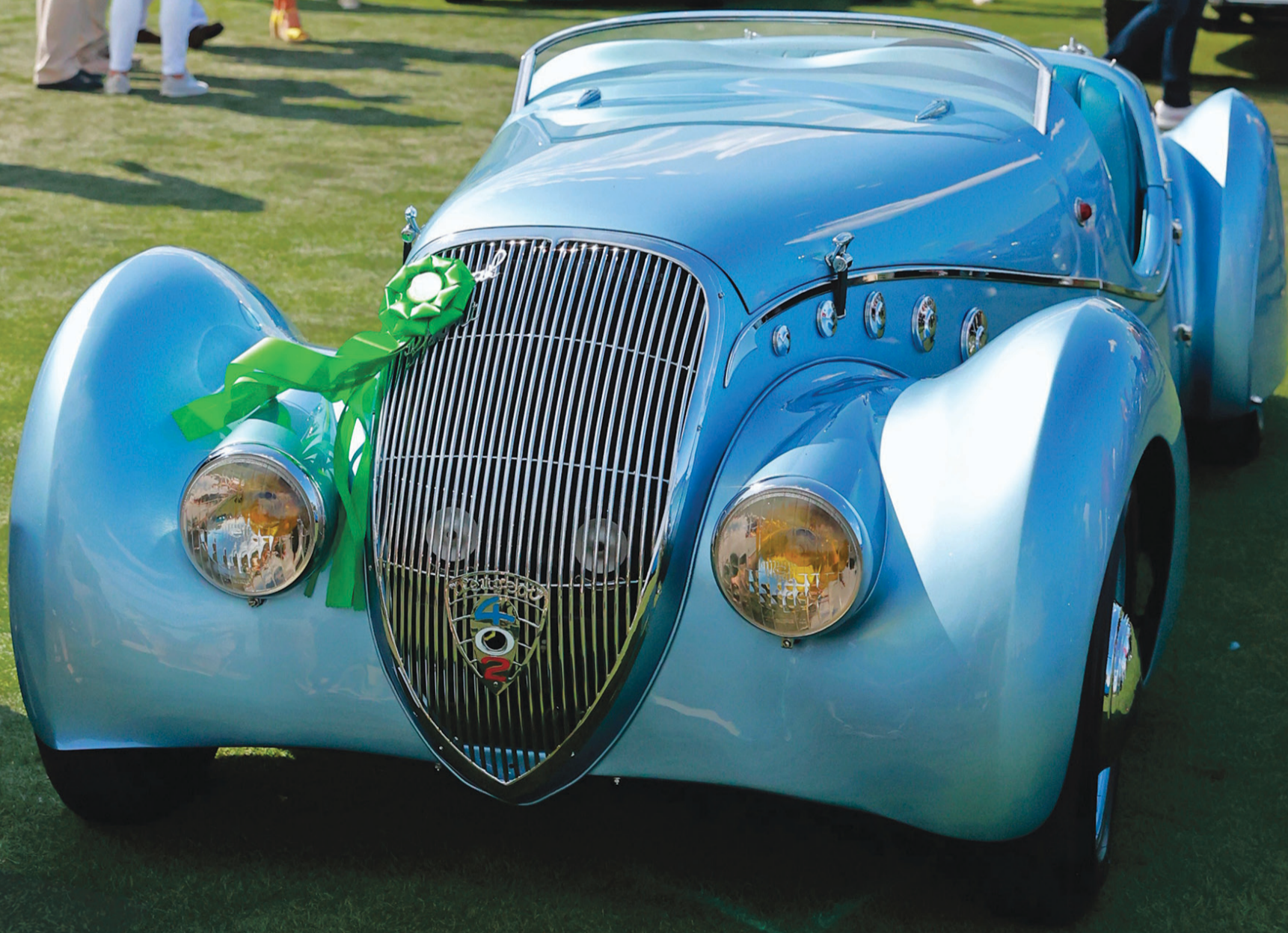
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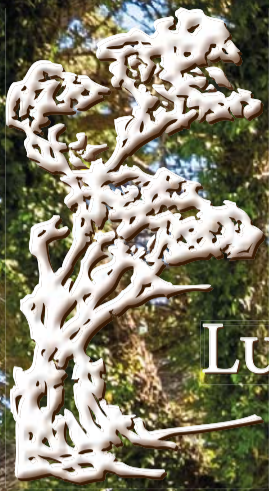
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# C O N C O U R S W E E K

## At Pebble Beach on Sunday you can see a different kind of wedge

By ELAINE HESSER

**G**OOD THINGS come in wedges, like pizza, cheese, pie ... and cars.

The Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance has a featured class this year honoring those futuristic automobiles of the 1950s through the 1980s and beyond.

Ken Gross, a 30-year chief class judge at Pebble Beach who serves on the Concours selection committee, talked about some of the display and show cars that are slated to be at Pebble Beach Aug. 18.

When it comes to the 1955 Ghia Streamline X "Gilda" coupe, he said there's quite a bit to love. It was

designed by Virgil Exner, whom Gross described as a painter with "very artistic" ideas that struck a chord in 1955, when Chrysler's cars had "hit a wall" and become quite "stodgy."

### 'Very impractical'

Exner had begun his career as an artist in advertising, drawing promotional pictures for Studebaker trucks. He was hired to design cars for General Motors, and the New York Times reported in a 2007 retrospective that by age 30, Exner was in charge of styling for Pontiac. He became the first styling chief of the Chrysler Corporation. If you've ever lusted after a ride with the aerodynamic tailfins that appeared between 1955 and

1963, you should know they're Exner's work, part of the company's "Forward Look" of those years.

Sleek to the point of appearing nearly flat, and fitted with arrow-shaped door handles, the Gilda — named for a 1946 noir film that starred Rita Hayworth — remains futuristic, even in 2024.

Gross noted that for the most part, the wedge cars "are very impractical," and it's hard to imagine driving or even getting in and out of some of them.

Take the 1970 Ferrari 512S Modulo Pininfarina coupe, which will also make an appearance. Pininfarina refers to the venerable design firm and carriage-building

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Wedge cars on display at this year's Concours will include the 1955 Ghia Streamline X "Gilda" coupe (left), designed by Virgil Exner, who also innovated Chrysler's tailfins. The 1970 Lancia Stratos Zero (right) is a mere 33 inches high. At other events, onlookers

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# A car with a story of adventure, bravery and a remarkable woman

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

AS AN Arctic explorer in 1926, Louise Arner Boyd chartered the supply ship *Hobby*, previously used by famed explorer Roald Amundsen, to lead her own hunting and filming expedition to the Arctic. In 1928, she led a rescue mission in the Arctic Ocean, searching more than 10,000 miles of water for some lost explorers. And in 1919, she bought a touring car, and, accompanied by her chauffeur, traveled across America when nearly all of the “highways” were dirt roads.

Most people haven't heard of Boyd, but her 1934 Packard will be on display at the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance on Sunday.

### Revolutionary

Born in San Rafael in 1887 to prominent parents — her father was in banking and was rumored to have had ties to gold mining — Boyd was raised in Marin County and the Oakland Hills. She grew up leading an adventurous outdoor life, hunting, fishing, camping and riding horseback alongside two older brothers, until she lost both to hearts weakened by the ravages of rheumatic fever.

Eleven years later, she lost both parents in 12 months. She inherited their fortune and used it to fund a life of international expeditions, particular-

ly throughout Greenland and the Arctic, efforts that provided strategically significant information to Allied forces during World War II.

A pioneer who died two days shy of her 85th birthday, Boyd left behind considerable revolutionary research, academic honors, publications — and a 1934 Packard Twelve 1108 custom convertible sedan by Dietrich. She had commissioned its custom silver hood ornament to resemble a polar bear.

“It is a very novel scenario to have a car which has a history this rich that's largely untold,” said Travis LaVine, who heads up Indiana-based LaVine Restorations, Inc. The firm — renowned for more than 40

years for its work on various makes and models of classic American and European automobiles — restored the Packard, which he described as “particularly fun” to research, especially as the passion and intrigue around it spread through the staff.

### More than Earhart

“An important step is to delve into the story behind it to understand its provenance and value,” LaVine said. “We are very big on women's empowerment in this company, and to see office manager Kayleigh Andrews

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Louise Arner Boyd (right) is shown signing the Fliers and Explorers Globe, which includes signatures of Charles Lindbergh and Amelia Earhart. In 1934 (left), she took a three-month journey through Eastern Europe in her Packard.



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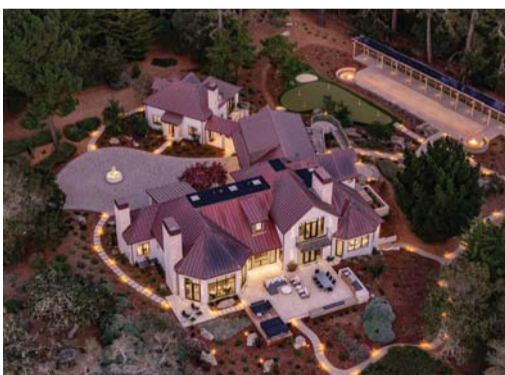
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# It turned out to be way more than just a derelict Maserati

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

**S**AN FRANCISCO Bay area collector Michael Rubenstein has been a car buff all his life. He's had a particular penchant for Maserati — something about the design of the company's Mistral has always resonated with him.

"Around 2006 or so, I decided I had to have one," he said. "Starting with the typical sources, I called Maserati clubs

around the world. Finally, I talked to the head of the Maserati club in Toronto who, as a dealer and a master mechanic, had owned a Mistral for 25 years and was going to sell it because he was becoming a priest and was selling all his worldly goods."

## Perfect and red

Rubenstein got on a plane and flew to Toronto to see the car.

"It was everything he said it was. It

was perfect, and it was red," said Rubenstein. "And I thought, 'God wants me to have this car.' So, I bought it."

When Rubenstein began showing the car, it became a family affair. Even his eldest grandson — who was 13 at the time — participated, making sure the wheels and tires were spotless once they rolled onto the green.

"We loved it and had great fun with it until my wife got cancer," he recalled. "Keeping the car didn't make sense anymore," he said, so he sold it — something he called "in retrospect, a terrible mistake."

After a number of years, Rubenstein received an email from the executor of a large estate who had a car he couldn't identify. He hoped Rubenstein could.

"He sent me a picture of a Mistral, and I could hardly believe it," Rubenstein said. "Once again, here came a Mistral, a total barn find that had been sitting under a ramp in a building in San Francisco, unloved for 40 years. The heirs knew nothing about it. They'd never looked at it and didn't even have a key for it."

Rubenstein, with his son-in-law, Tim Hoxie, and

Gene O'Gorman, a foremost collector and authority on Maseratis, went to see the car.

"Unlike my red one, which was absolutely perfect, this one was very sad," Rubenstein said. "It needed a lot of work. Still, Tim and I thought about it and decided we had to have it. We were going to make it a daily driver, something fun to drive around. But the car was a mess. It took a lot just to get it started."

## Will history repeat?

Rubenstein called Frank Zucchi, an authority on restoring and painting Mistral who had helped him with his red car and asked him to paint it.

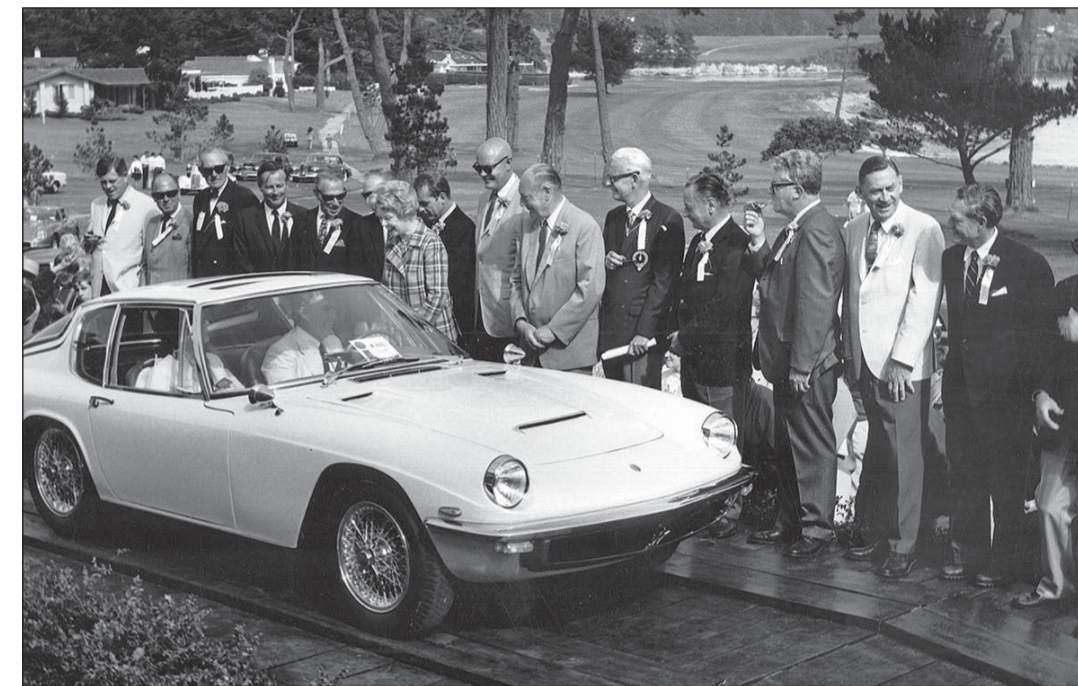
"Frank already had so many projects, he said he was too busy," said Rubenstein. "I told him I was going to put my Mistral on a trailer and send it to him so he could tell me what he thought about it." He didn't hear from Zucchi for three weeks.

Later, when he followed up and asked Zucchi's thoughts on his 1964 heap, he responded with an unexpected comment.

"In 1968, my father restored a 1964 Mistral, and we won Best of Show with it at the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance," Zucchi told him.

"He ran inside and came out with a photo of a beautiful Mistral surrounded

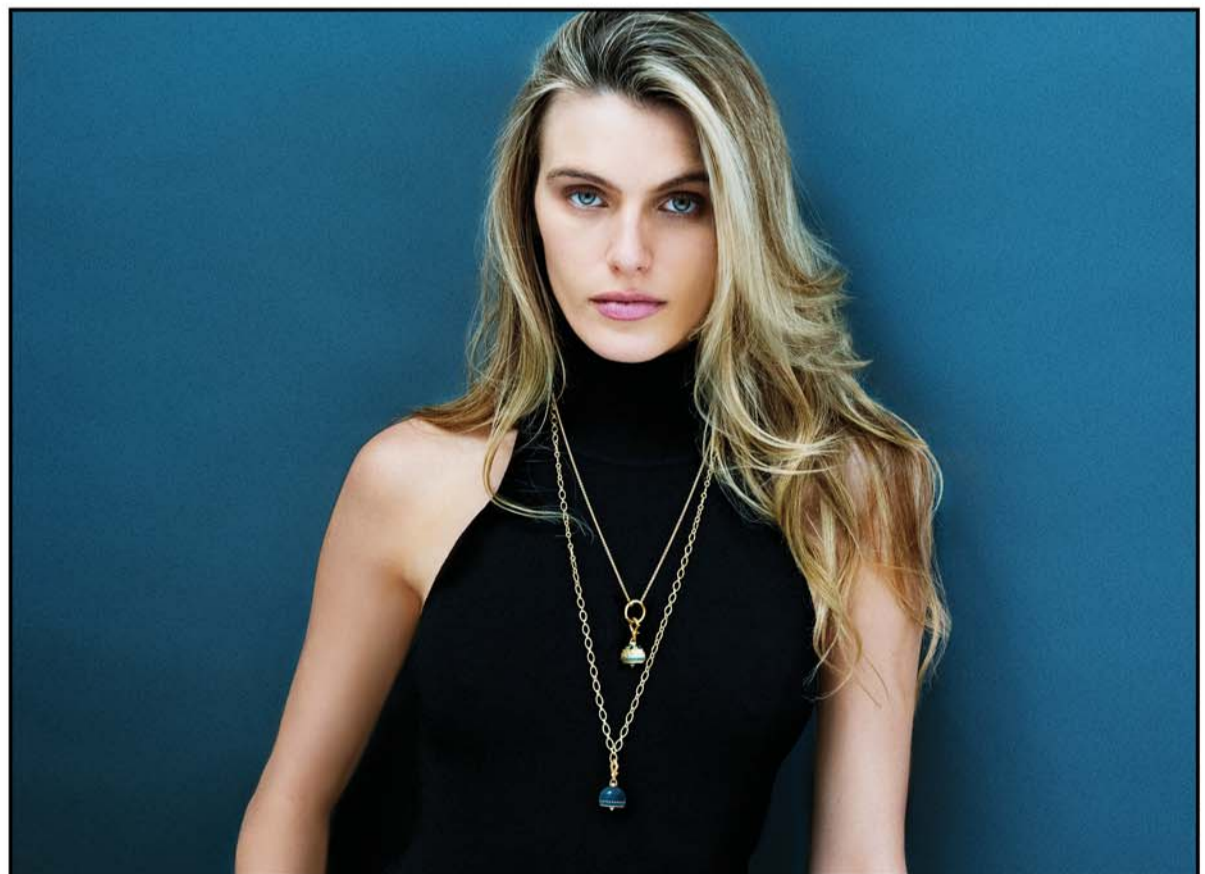
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You can see Michael Rubenstein's newly restored Mistral at Pebble Beach Sunday. Seen here in 1968, it won Best of Show, but was later neglected for decades.

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# British motorsports legend to make Laguna Seca debut

By MARY SCHLEY

JENSON BUTTON has done a lot in motorsports, and he's done it all over the globe. In the world's top tier of racing, Formula 1, over a 17-year career, he earned 15 victories, stood on the podium 50 times and won the championship once.

He's competed in rally and GT cars, and even off-road in a truck. In 2023, he drove in the NASCAR Cup series — including racing through the streets of Chicago — and he's driving this year in the FIA World Endurance Championships. He's also recently gotten into vintage racing.

But the 44-year-old British racing driver has never fought for a checkered flag at Laguna Seca.

That will change at the Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion Aug. 15-17, when he tests the limits of his very rare 1952 Jaguar C-Type — originally Argentine racer Juan Manuel Fangio's daily driver — and a 1967 Alfa Romeo GT Jr. This year's event marks the 50th anniversary of vintage racing at the track.

### 'I have to race here'

Button (no relation to the Concours chairman) said he has been on the track at Laguna once in a Lotus and attended his first vintage races there last year as a Rolex Testimonee, which is what the luxury brand calls its elite ambassadors.

"I really look forward to driving there," he said Friday during a call from a vacation home in France. "Last

year — that's the moment I said, 'I have to race here next year.'"

Despite his indisputable skills behind the wheel of practically any kind of vehicle, Button might have a time of it on the tarmac at WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca, a curvy 2.238-mile course with a lot of elevation changes. The C-Type is heavy — somewhere north of 2,000 pounds — with the skinny tires of the period and drum brakes. When Button bought it a few years ago, it didn't even have seatbelts, but now it's far better equipped for safety, he said.

The lore surrounding the car has it that Fangio, who was racing for Ferrari at the time, was told in no uncer-

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A former Formula 1 World Champion who raced at motorsports' top level for 17 years and has driven in many other competitive capacities, Jenson Button (above right, at Laguna Seca last year) said he's looking forward to trying to tame his 1952 Jaguar C-Type (above left) at the Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion.

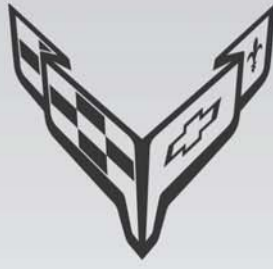


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# Taking a shine to some of the most beautiful cars in the world

By CARLIN JARDINE

**'M**Y PASSION for cars has been forever," said Andrew Reed, owner of A Brilliant Shine/Ceramic Pro, an automotive detailing studio in Carmel Valley. "I love going fast. I hate going slow. I talk fast, try to think fast, and I work fast when it's safe to do so," he professed. He said that all he ever wanted was to drive high-performance race cars and live in

the world of automotive excellence.

To become a professional driver, however, requires relentless dedication to being the best. "Once you realize what racing is and what it takes to reach that level, it has to be 100 percent of what you think about and what you do," he said. To attempt it demands total commitment and very little time for anything else — not to mention the staggering costs involved. Reed realized early on that the racing part of his dream would

be a hobby, not a career.

He was born in Monterey in 1991 and moved to Palm Springs, where he completed his education through high school. He attended the NASCAR Technical Institute in North Carolina, focusing on engine-building and race car development. While there, he worked for a manufacturer of high-performance race car engines in the quality control department, where he sat for eight hours a day — with magnifying eyeglasses on — searching for ten-thousandths-of-an-inch defects in engine parts. The work gave him an eye for minute detail, a skill that has served him well. "I see things others can't," noted Reed.

## Recognition

Returning to Southern California, he started a detailing business out of the back of his truck and eventually migrated back to the Monterey Peninsula in 2015, expanding to a shop in Carmel Valley, where he added ceramic coating and paint protection film to his menu of services.

Brilliant Shine's presence at the Pebble Beach Concourse d'Elegance is the result of incalculable hours

of work. It's also proof that if you do something well enough, recognition follows — one car Reed's crew detailed was a finalist for Best of Show last year, and they've worked on three Best of Class winners since 2018, when they started prepping autos for the big event.

## Lots of caffeine

"We have an 11-man team of seasoned detailing experts who are the very best at what they do. They're my extended family," said Reed. Most have been with him for 10 years, flying to Florida, Los Angeles and Arizona, where they got cars ready for auctions and worked at automobile shows in addition to owning their own detailing businesses and/or maintaining elite automobile collections.

Timing of the detail work for the Concours depends on the car's arrival. "Last year, 'our' car — a 1930 Mercedes-Benz 710SS Special Roadster — arrived late. The team worked for 27 straight hours on site at Pebble Beach, resulting in over-exhaustion, over-caffeination, sunburned faces and weary eyes," along with that near-win for Best in Show, said Reed.

This year, the experts apply their skills and experience to a 1956 Mercedes-Benz 300 and a 1938 Grand Mercedes-Benz 770 W07 Pullman, set to arrive from

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Andrew Reed, who owns A Brilliant Shine/Ceramic Pro detailing studio in Carmel Valley, has been prepping cars for the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance since 2018.

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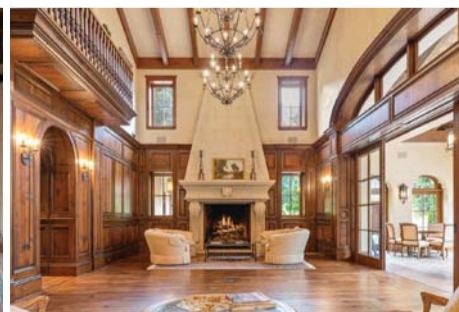
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## Win a new car while aiding mental health and helping kids

By KELLY NIX

**C**ONSIDER THIS: You fly into San Jose or Monterey airport to attend the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance but drive back home in a brand-new 2025 Mercedes-Benz. It could happen.

One of the main goals of the venerable automotive event is giving back to the community and those in need.

To help achieve that, the Concours offers charity drawings in which nonprofits can raise funds by selling tickets for a chance to win new automobiles donated by sponsors of the Aug. 18 Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance. The drawing is the same day.

"Charities get to keep 100 percent of the proceeds from the ticket sales," the Concours explains.

### ■ Improving mental health

One of the charitable groups that participate in the drawing is Montage Health Foundation, which will use the funds to help Ohana Center for Child and Adolescent Behavioral Health, its new youth mental health facility. The nonprofit, which is the parent company of Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, is selling \$100 tickets for a chance to win a Mercedes-Benz SUV GLA 250 worth \$46,150.

Anybody can enter the drawing by reserving a ticket at [montagehealth.org/concours](http://montagehealth.org/concours), and attendance at

the event is not necessary to win. Tickets can also be purchased at the hospital's gift shop or by calling (831) 658-3630.

The funds will support Ohana's community health and prevention programs, said Michele Melicia Young, director of Montage Health Foundation.

"Montage Health Foundation and Ohana are thrilled to partner with the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance and Mercedes-Benz to improve mental health for youth and families in Monterey County," she told The Pine Cone.

The drawing is a great opportunity to make a "meaningful impact on the mental health of local youth," and

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This stunning architecture is home to the Ohana Center for Child and Adolescent Behavioral Health, which operator Montage Health characterizes as "Monterey County's transformative mental health program for kids, teens and parents." The innovative campus in Monterey is "designed to heal," Montage says.

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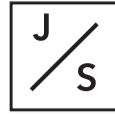
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every ticket supports Ohana in its mission of helping kids and their families “build foundations of mental fitness,” Young went on to say.

One in five young people suffers from some form of mental health disorder, and most mental health issues in adults can be traced back to their adolescence, according to Montage.

“Ohana’s mental health services are needed now more than ever, and the funds raised from the drawing will help grow Ohana’s resources in Monterey County so every child can flourish,” Montage said.

By equipping youth and families with the tools, resources, and education to build mental fitness, Ohana’s programs seek to reduce rates of mental health challenges.

“Ohana’s Community Health and Prevention team of licensed care providers is leading and growing this work — both within Ohana’s walls and out in the community,” officials said.

The facility in Monterey’s Ryan Ranch also offers a “full spectrum” of free classes, support groups and learning materials to “help build mental fitness” for young people, families and expectant parents. They’re offered online and in person.

For information about Ohana Center for Child and Adolescent Behavioral Health, go to [shorturl.at/Mlr0V](http://shorturl.at/Mlr0V).

### ■ Harmony At Home

Another local group that benefits from the Concours d’Elegance is Harmony At Home, a youth-centered charity with a straightforward yet extremely important mission: “To end the cycles of violence and abuse by empowering children and young adults with

knowledge, skills and confidence to lead healthy and productive lives.”

The nonprofit, which has offices in Carmel and Salinas, offers myriad programs and support for young people so they’ll have the tools to overcome life’s hurdles.

The nonprofit’s Family First program offers help to mothers — including those who are pregnant — from 13 to 24 years old who didn’t finish high school.

Services include individual meetings focused on education, parenting, family bonding activities and peer support groups. Harmony At Home president and CEO Julianne Leavy told The Pine Cone that the nonprofit received \$24,000 from the Pebble Beach Foundation, the Concours’ fundraising arm, to support Family First.

### ‘Learned so much’

Thirty new members of the program enrolled in school this year, 17 graduated from high school and five completed postsecondary programs. Leavy provided other statistics that point to its success.

“I’ve learned so much,” a young woman who went through the program said, according to a testimonial Leavy provided. “It has helped me grow and be independent and responsible for not only myself but for my son. Being a single mom with no support can be tough, but the help that this program gave me showed me that I am not alone, and I got this.”

Ninety-three percent of participants reported the program helped them “gain communication skills to improve or build healthy relationships,” while 94 percent said it has helped them “improve parenting skills and learn more about child development.”

Harmony At Home also offers a bullying prevention program that is offered to thousands of students, parents, teachers and school administrators every year.

“Our bullying prevention team supports our school partners with the implementation of a student-led assembly, class meetings,” and staff trainings, parent

workshops in English and Spanish, and community events, the group says.

The program has helped as many as 31,000 students from 52 schools in 13 school districts in Monterey County and Aromas during one school year.

### ■ Helping kids through divorce

Another program offered through Harmony At Home is Children 1st, a co-parenting program for those 5 to 18 and their parents who are divorcing or separating. The group’s staff help children understand what causes divorce and separation, offering communication tools for expressing and sharing their feelings with parents, making sure kids realize they’re not responsible for their parents’ breakup, and explaining the emotions they and their parents might be experiencing.

The teachers help parents understand the impact of divorce on their kids, how to effectively communicate with them and their spouse during the process, and problem-solving and negotiating skills.

Harmony At Home’s story began in 1997, when Leavy — inspired by the need for interventions to help child victims of domestic violence — launched Sticks & Stones, a school-based counseling program for children “who have learned to express their feelings in unhealthy ways.”

Because kids sometimes repeat the patterns of violence they learn in their homes and communities, the program offers 10 weekly meetings with groups of two to five children.

“They learn healthy ways to express their feelings and are taught how to stay safe in a violent home,” the group explains. “This furthers Harmony At Home’s mission by breaking dysfunctional family patterns, thus promoting healthier family systems now and in the future.”

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## RESTORE

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Germany and in contention for Best of Show. “The 770 is going to take forever to detail,” said Reed. “Every single piece of aluminum or chrome trim has to be polished. Each wheel has to be taken off and everything underneath cleaned and polished. The wheels might have to be repainted. The detailing goal has to be met with military precision.”

For Concours, the team will work only on those two cars. Each will be at the Carmel Valley detailing shop for intense three-day prepping. “Those days usually begin at 4 or 5 in the morning and almost always run to 19 hours. I probably sleep three hours a day during that part of the process. We bring them as close to perfection as humanly possible,” Reed explained.

Finally, all surfaces are brought to a mirror-like finish with the final — labor-intensive — machine-waxing and polishing. They’re then trailered to Pebble Beach for the start of the Tour d’Elegance, where the two Mercedes will join more than 100 other classic cars on the road trip down Highway 1 to Big Sur and back.

### One more time

On their return, the cars will be re-washed in place at Pebble Beach. “We re-prep everything,” said Reed. “We re-dress the tires, go through the engine compartment one more time, make sure there’s no dust, dirt or oil leaks, then the cars are parked.” On Sunday morning, they make sure there’s no moisture on the paint.

There is nothing more prestigious than winning the Pebble Beach Concours, Reed said, “not only for the car’s owner but for the detailing team that played a significant role in bringing that

about.” The depth of the competition at the event is remarkable. “We take great pride in what we do there, but it’s not just the final look of the car that wins.”

Entries are judged on originality and authenticity, as well as elegance, and it doesn’t hurt if they’re ultra-rare, as with the 1938 armor-plated Mercedes 770 built for the president of Portugal — one of only seven ever made.

### Better than a check

Reed gets emails during the year from owners who want to make sure he and his team are the ones touching their cars at the Concours. “During the event, we get introduced to their families. ‘This is our guy,’ they say, and I love that. I like the recognition more than the paycheck,” Reed added. “I especially appreciate dealing with people who have a global presence but can acknowledge someone as small as we are, working out of a 2,000-square-foot shop in Carmel Valley.”

And that small facility has been seeing a lot of action this week. Along with the two cars being worked on for the Sunday’s high-stakes competition, Reed and his team are occupied 24 hours a day detailing more than 200 vehicles for a number of auctions that are part of Car Week.

Although being a racing driver became a hobby for Reed, the second part of his life’s passion — living in the world of automotive excellence and “super-cool cars,” as he refers to them — seems to have been realized in spectacular fashion. He gets to apply his knowledge, skill and talent to some of the world’s most breathtaking examples of automotive excellence in design, engineering, historical significance, beauty and dollar value. And he gets to do it where he lives with his wife and two daughters, practically on the doorstep of the world’s most prestigious car show.



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Andrew Reed, who owns A Brilliant Shine/Ceramic Pro detailing studio in Carmel Valley, has been prepping cars for every Pebble Beach Concours d’Elegance since 2018.

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## BUTTON

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tain terms that he couldn't be seen driving around in the British car, so he had to sell it.

The Jaguar, the only one painted bronze, was raced in Argentina and moved to Europe a few decades ago, according to Button. There, it was entered in classic races at Le Mans, Monaco and Goodwood.

"The first time I drove it last year was at the Goodwood Revival," said Button, who has raced at the other main event there, the Goodwood Festival of Speed, for years.

### Seeing it coming

Hitting 135 mph on the straight at Goodwood in a 70-year-old car with drum brakes can be a bit harrowing. "You can see the accident coming if it's going to happen — it takes like 10 seconds," he said, contrary to being behind the wheel of a modern F1 car, when it's over before you realize it.

While the Jag sports its original XKC engine block, it's been tuned by a modern crew that has coaxed 80 or 90 more horsepower out of it, putting it closer to the 300-horsepower mark.

"It's super powerful, but nothing else has changed," he said.

Button took the Jaguar out at Sonoma Raceway a few weeks ago, just to make sure everything was working properly and see how it handles on a tighter road course. He got better acquainted with its drum brakes — which require hitting the pedal hard enough to avoid too much feedback, but not so hard that you lock up the wheels.

"There are a lot more braking zones, so it's tough for a car like that," he said, adding that he's also learned it tends to jump out of gear in third, which can create tricky situations.

"It's a handful. I look forward to trying to tame it," he said. "Laguna Seca will be more challenging for the car."

Piloting a car that's way more analog than digital obviously requires a hands-on approach.

"You're kind of working in unison with the car," he said. "That's why I like classic car racing — you're more connected."

At Laguna, Button will also be tag-team driving an entirely different animal, a 1967 Alfa Romeo GT Jr. that has an engine roughly half the size of the Jag's and is quite a bit lighter than the English car's 2,200 pounds. It's also got wider, more contemporary racing tires.

"The Alfa GT Jr. has raced all its life," he said. "As soon as it rolled off the production line, it started racing."

Button is co-driving the Alfa in the Dan Gurney Saloon Car Enduro with friend Mazen Fawaz, the car's owner. Fawaz is the CEO at Singer Vehicle Design in Los Angeles.

While he's in town, Button will also make a stop at The Quail — A Motorsports Gathering and host guests in his capacity as a Rolex Testimonee. He's looking forward to seeing his many friends in the industry.

"It's a really nice time to catch up with old friends and see a lot of great cars and machinery," he said.

### Renaissance Man

Button, like many competitive drivers, started racing go-karts when he was a kid. He was 20 when he went to drive for the Williams F1 team in 2000, and was racing for the Honda team when the Great Recession hit in 2008 and the manufacturer pulled out, leaving him without a ride. Enter Ross Brawn, who bought the team for \$1 and ensured Button kept his job. He went on to win the championship in 2009.

After he left Formula 1 in 2017, Button went on to other racing pursuits. Among them, he said during a



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At The Quail — A Motorsports Gathering in 2021, Jenson Button (left) shared stories and insights during a wide-ranging Fireside Chat with Philip Kadoorie, son of Sir Michael Kadoorie.

Fireside Chat at The Quail in 2021, was his offer to race in the Baja 1000, a grueling off-road race, with a friend, as a birthday present.

He got so into it that he bought a truck to race, only to have it break down up in the mountains at around the 235-mile mark, stranding him and his co-driver for 17 hours until they could be rescued by helicopter.

That put an end to his off-road driving efforts.

"I realized I don't like to get dirty," he quipped.

He has collaborated with Radford and Lotus to design cars and last year was asked by Mobil 1 — one of his former F1 sponsors — to race part-time in the NASCAR Cup. Button competed in several races, including an inaugural run on the streets of Chicago.

"It was a lot to get used to, but I enjoyed the challenge," he said Friday.

When he's not on the track or on the road, Button works as a commentator for Formula 1. Fortunately, the series takes its summer break in August, freeing him up for a trip to the Monterey Peninsula for Car Week.

## MISTRAL

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by Phil Hill and all kinds of automobile dignitaries," Rubenstein said. Unbelievably, it turned out to be the same car.

### Luckily, he persisted

In 1962, Zucchi's father, Arnold Zucchi, had established Continental Auto Body in Oakdale. As the story goes, four years later, he met Stanley Good, whose wife had ordered the '64 Mistral. Toward the end of '66, after getting into a fender bender at Tahoe, Good sought

someone to do the repairs, which is when he met the elder Zucchi, whose first name was Arnold.

"The car was still fairly new, and Good wanted to show it," said Frank Zucchi. "Dad detailed the heck out of it, tidied it up. They started showing the car in '67 and won everything. A year later, they took it to Pebble Beach, and it won."

Frank was 23 when he took over his father's business. "The last time we saw this car was around 1972," he said. "We never saw it again until Mike brought it in."

Understanding the work involved, Zucchi didn't want to restore the car. Yet once he recognized it, he called his dad, now 88, who confirmed the details of this particular Mistral.

"If Mike hadn't brought it to us, no one would have known this is the car that won at Pebble Beach. It's just a cool story," Zucchi said. "If it weren't for Mike, I wouldn't have restored it. Luckily, he was persistent."

### 'Truly spectacular'

Rubenstein and his son in law, to whom he has gifted the Mistral, look forward to bringing it to the Concours d'Elegance.

"It has been perfectly restored in a beautiful ivory with green leather interior," Rubenstein said. "It truly is spectacular and will be perfect when it arrives at Pebble Beach. We'll see what happens at Pebble 56 years after it won Best of Show. Maybe history will repeat itself."



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Can you imagine the winner of the 1968 Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance Best in Show award somehow ending up in this condition? This 1968 Maserati Mistral sat unloved and unattended for so long, its last owner's heirs couldn't even find the keys. Fortunately, Michael Rubenstein purchased it, and his favorite restorer turned out to be the son of the man who showed it in '68. They decided to fix it up and are bringing it back for a proper homecoming.

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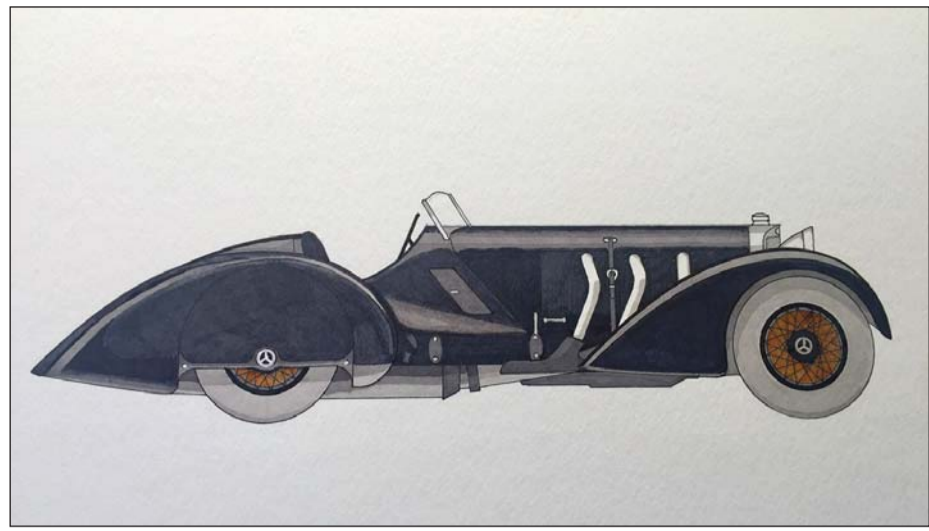
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Richard Williamson has spent a lot of time in the well-lit Monterey studio carefully drawing detailed renditions of Pebble Beach Concours Best of Show winners. Among his favorites is Ralph Lauren's 1930 Mercedes-Benz 710SSK Count Trossi Sports Roadster.

## Monterey artist immortalizes Concours Best of Show winners

By MARY SCHLEY

AS THE Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance prepared to celebrate its 70th anniversary three years ago, Monterey resident Richard Williamson found himself tasked with creating detailed drawings of 50 Best of Show winners. Those images ended up not just in that year's program, but on scarves, bags and other official gear sold at what's widely considered to be the world's most prestigious automotive event, which celebrates its 73rd year Aug. 18.

And now, in anticipation of the Concours' impending 75th anniversary, Williamson was asked in May to draw the remaining 25 Best of Show winners — including the cars that take that top honor this year, next year and in 2026.

### Cars and Coffee

A custom clothier who creates sophisticated men's and women's clothing under the label Richard Fox, Williamson said the commission to draw the first 50 followed an auspicious meeting at a Cars and Coffee event at Laguna Seca several years ago.

"This man came up to me and said, 'You're English,'" recalled Williamson, who is indeed English.

So was the questioner. Nic Waller, it turned out, had spent 20 years working as director of marketing and design for England's Lavenham Group, which specializes in the publication of fine automotive books, and is a

member of the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance selection committee, among other high-level roles in the world of collector-car exhibitions.

The two became friends, and during a dinner visit, Waller spotted one of Williamson's cartoons — the walls of his and wife Debbie's home are adorned with art, including many of his original pieces — and suggested he might have an interesting job for the artist.

### Just a few

The project started off small, with Williamson commissioned to draw a half-dozen Best of Show winners that Concours organizers planned to use on various items of merchandise and in publications.

"And then it just kept growing," he recalled. "And they continued contacting me and saying, 'Can you do a few more?'"

He was happy to.

"I have always doodled and drawn forever," he said. "And I loved technical drawing at school."

It also tapped into his longtime love of cars.

"It's kind of cool, because obviously all my life, there has been a Pebble Beach Concours, and I've always known about it because my dad knew about it and his friends knew about it, and they all loved cars," he said.

As a youth in Newcastle, Williamson recalled telling his father, who'd started off as a commercial artist, that

he wanted to attend art school.

"And he said, 'No, there's no money in art,'" he said. Regardless, he found a way.

"I used to do a lot of technical drawings with my grandfather, Arthur Williamson, my father's father," he said. "He was a mechanical engineer and served in the First World War on the Yangtze River on torpedo boats."

After the war, the elder Williamson continued with mechanical engineering, but his hobby was rebuilding clocks in a well-equipped shed at his home. Together,

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he and his grandson would carefully illustrate the innards of the machines.

"I found it fascinating," he said.

He took that interest to school, where in an end-of-year project, he "had to demonstrate a bit of technical knowhow."

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## It's not your imagination — you're old enough to be a classic

By ELAINE HESSER

IF 'PUSHING past 55 and over the hill' is less about a Sunday drive and more about heading toward Social Security, then you've

probably already had this unnerving experience: Someone makes a reference to something that happened "back in the '90s," and you think, "Oh sure, about 10 years ago ..." and then realize that no, it was 30.

You can see that reflected on this year's show field at the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance, where event chairman Sandra Button said that for the first time, postwar — as in built after World War II — cars will outnumber older automobiles by 20 percent. "It wasn't too many years ago it hit 50/50 for the first time," she said.

Button said the shift is a reflection of what collectors want, based on the numbers and types of entries they receive for each year's show. "We want to make sure the people who have the cars see their interests represented," she explained.

In 1950, when the Concours began, Ferrari was one of the newer models — the company was just 11 years old. In the 1970s, Button said, "You saw a lot of Bentleys and Rolls-Royces." This year's entrants span 125 years of automotive history — the oldest is

from 1898, and the newest is from 2023.

"Our global span is expanding, too," Button remarked. Of the 218 cars that will be spread out in all their splendor along the 17th and 18th fairways, 48 are coming from outside of the United States, representing owners from 17 countries.

### 'Space Age'

The evolution of auto design is reflected throughout, but perhaps nowhere more than in the Wedge class, a group of sleek vehicles that date from 1955 to 2023. "Some are just Space Age," said Button. A collection of Land Rovers and Range Rovers associated with Queen Elizabeth II — who continued to drive throughout her reign — reflects some of the ways in which car culture is woven into history.

"Post-War" seems like an awfully broad range for the era we're in now. While that's still the lingo of hobbyists and collectors, Button mused that one day, the years after World War II may be divided into two (or more) eras. For now, just be reassured that it's not your imagination. Time definitely refuses to stand still.



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This 1900 Benz Contra Duc is one of the two oldest cars in this year's Concours d'Elegance, but there will also be cars that are younger than Simone Biles.



# Three days left and there's still more to do than you can shake a stick at

By MARY SCHLEY

**W**HETHER YOU'VE been here since Car Week officially kicked off Aug. 9 or are just arriving, the Monterey Peninsula's world-famous Car Week has plenty to offer.

Since 1950, automobile racing and showing have been part of the Peninsula's impressive cultural landscape, starting with a single-day road race through Del Monte Forest accompanied by a just-among-friends show of the latest and greatest cars at the nearby Lodge. Not long after its inception, the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance evolved from a display of contemporary autos to a judged contest of collector cars and has since

spawned similar events all over the world — though none match it.

In the late 1950s, Laguna Seca was built to accommodate the racing that had begun in Pebble Beach, and the first vintage races — now known as the Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion — debuted there a half-century ago.

Since those early years, so many associated events have blossomed that Car Week now spans 10 days and stretches from Seaside to Carmel Valley to Big Sur.

Keeping pace with that ongoing evolution is The Pine Cone's coverage, with its must-read special sections that anyone who cares about anything Car Week-related should rush to pick up or download. A highlight of

those editions is our comprehensive calendar of the area's numerous amazing events.

Take your time to examine this detailed look at everything the Monterey Peninsula has to offer as it transforms into an automotive utopia. The fun began with a downtown Monterey show of race cars that make the drive from Laguna Seca and back Aug. 9 and ends with the world-famous Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance. Spanning those are celebrations of all aspects of vehicular genius: compelling and lively sales of old cars, new cars, rare cars, motorcycles, memorabilia — and everything else — rallies and tours, seminars and discussions,

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(Left) Pebble Beach Co. president Dave Stivers presents the 2023 Concours d'Elegance Best of Show trophy to Jim Patterson and his 1937 Mercedes-Benz 540K Special Roadster. (Right) Owner Jonathan Segal demonstrates one of the unique aerodynamic features of his Maserati 200SI Fantuzzi

## ARTIST

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"Lots of people did houses," he said. "I did a cut-away drawing of a Jaguar E-Type. They were like, 'What the...?'"

He also distinguishes illustration from art. Looking at a painting on the cover of a former Concours program, he remarked, "I could never do that in a month of Sundays. That's not in my wheelhouse."

### Three to four days each

When Waller first enlisted him for the job, Williamson said, "I think originally the idea was, 'Let's get this guy to do a few pictures and let's use them on the merch.' And now it's, 'Let's make sure we have one of each winner.'"

He took his first crack at it with a curvaceous 1938 Alfa Romeo 8C Touring Berlinetta — "a gorgeous car" — and drew a couple of samples in different styles to see what his Concours bosses preferred.

To create the pieces — each takes about three or four days to complete — Williamson taps into his many years and memories of learning to do technical drawings, as well as his detective skills.

Each requires a lot of research before he can even put pencil to paper. It begins with the images available on the Pebble Beach Concours website, some of which aren't the best and often only present a side view.

"And once you get a little way back, they're all black and white," even though his drawings are in color. "It takes quite a lot of research to see if these cars still exist."

When the Concours debuted in 1950, the show focused on production cars of the era, some of which are very difficult to track down, as

are other treasured automobiles of the past.

"Some of them disappear," he said. "There's some guy in Beverly Hills who has a shed full of these cars and doesn't drive them, so you never see them."

When he can't find useful photos of the winning car, he searches for images of similar automobiles produced by the same coachbuilder during the same era. From those, he can gather data on a range of dimensions, "like the different wheelbases that Duesenberg used in the 1920s."

"Once you've got something you can start with, then you scale it and try to put it on paper," he said. "If you're trying to draw a car that you don't know from a three-quarter angle, it's very, very difficult, but eventually you work it out. It's an interesting detective job."

Williamson said he'd never undertaken such detailed work before, and he loves the subject matter.

"These are really interesting cars," he said.

Among his favorites is one of the first pieces he did for the project, a German grand prix car owned by Ralph Lauren — the 1930 Mercedes-Benz 710SSK "Count Trossi" Sports Roadster.

"It's an incredible thing," he said of the 1993 Best of

Show winner.

Drawing the 50 cars Pebble Beach selected for the 70th anniversary was daunting.

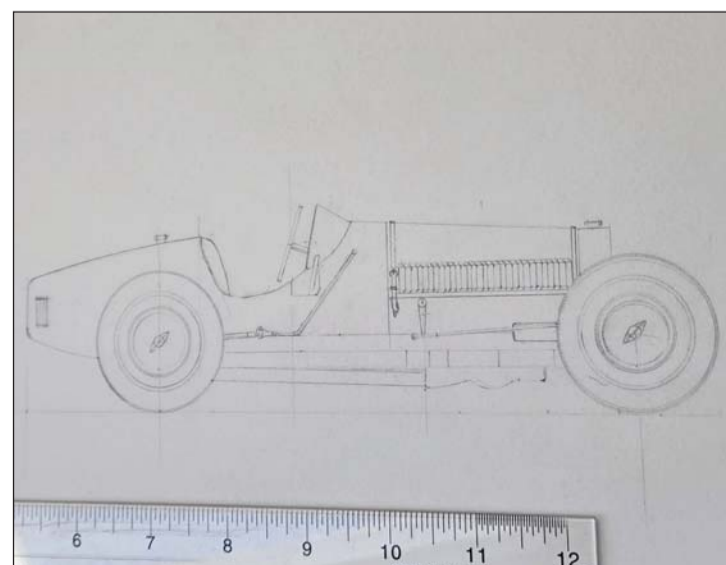
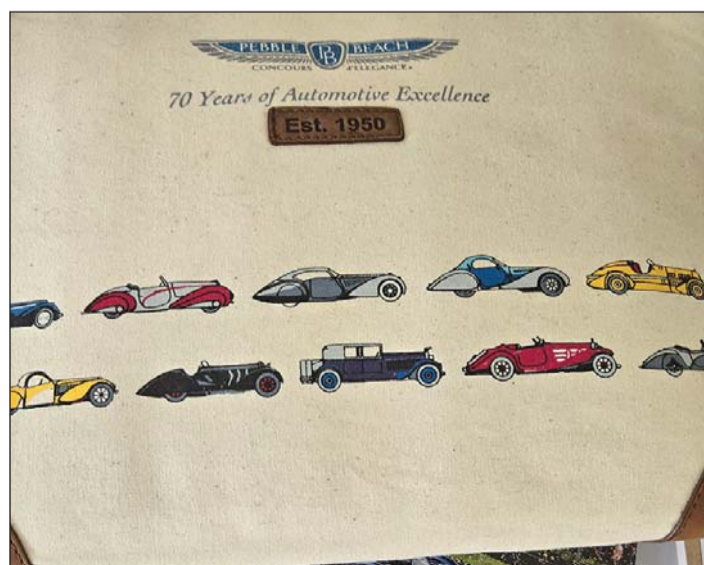
"I remember the last 20, sort of hammering on them," he said. "I get quite stressed about them, because I want them to be as good as they possibly can."

### Because, cars

The bulk of the work he's doing for Pebble Beach this year in anticipation of immortalizing its 75th anniversary is due Dec. 31, and he got the assignment in May.

He doesn't know how or when the Concours will use the images, and he sends the organization all the originals, which he's honored to do.

"One of the reasons I moved to Monterey rather than Santa Cruz or somewhere like that was the fact that Laguna Seca is here, and there's such a big car history — and Car Week," said Williamson, who had moved from London to Boston, where he and Debbie lived for five years before they relocated to the West Coast. "Being associated in a very small way with Pebble Beach is very cool."



PHOTOS/MARY SCHLEY

Some of Richard Williamson's drawings of prior Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance Best of Show winners ended up on merchandise, including this canvas pouch (left). A lot of calculation goes into each drawing (right) to ensure the scale and dimensions are correct.

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## WEDGES

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company in Italy, which has been used by companies like Alfa Romeo, Peugeot, GM, Maserati, and — in this case — Ferrari to design and make bodies for their automobiles.

Starting with a Ferrari 512S chassis and engine, Pininfarina created a one-off show car that debuted in 1970 at the Geneva Motor Show, where it won more than 20 awards for its design. It has a canopy door, meaning that the roof slides forward so the driver and passenger enter the car from the top, rather like an airplane cockpit. It was nicknamed “the UFO car.”

“They’re really edgy,” said Gross of the class. “They’re tapered from a high tail to a low front, and a number of the cars on the field won’t be pure wedges, but will have wedge elements.” A less flattering moniker, that of “rolling doorstop” has also been applied to them.

### Wunderkind

The 1966 Cannara Roadster is named for its designer, Ray Cannara, who was a student at the Art Center in Pasadena,

Gross said. Hemmings.com wrote that in 1962, at 15, Cannara won a \$4,000 design scholarship and was already building a car he would drive from his native Florida to Southern California to attend the prestigious school, known as a “center of excellence in transportation design.”

The auto that bears his name was built from a 1958 Chevrolet station wagon, the frame of which he modified so much, it is nearly unrecognizable — it looks more like an eccentric cousin of a Corvette Stingray than a family car with a “way back” for the kids.

Cannara went on to become a design-

er for Chrysler, and Hemmings designated his namesake vehicle the first real wedge car, saying, “at the very least, it should serve as a historic design anchor.”

### Enough exposure

A 2017 Kode 0 created by Ken Okuyama (who spent part of his career at Pininfarina) will be on display as well. It debuted at Pebble Beach in 2017 and its design references the Lancia Stratos Zero, a 1970 wedge which will be on the lawn, as well

The newest vehicle in the class is a 2023 Italdesign Asso di Picche in Movimento concept car. The manufacturer, It-

aldesign, describes it as an electric coupe with seating for three people. “The vehicle body in aluminum and windows in polycarbonate combine to form one monolithic and seamless aerodynamic whole, enclosed by a single unbroken outline,” and the windshield, roof and rear window are “a single transparent expanse,” the company says.

There will not, however, be a Tesla Cybertruck. Gross said that while the new electric vehicle is “a modern incarnation of the classic wedge, I can’t find anything aesthetically pleasing about it.” But aside from that, he added, “We thought about it, but people have seen it enough.”



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The sleek, futuristic Wedge class on Sunday will include this 1970 Ferrari (left) and a 1966 roadster, which designed by Ray Cannara — who studied at the Art Center in Pasadena — when he was in early 20s. Believe it or not, it’s built on a station wagon frame.

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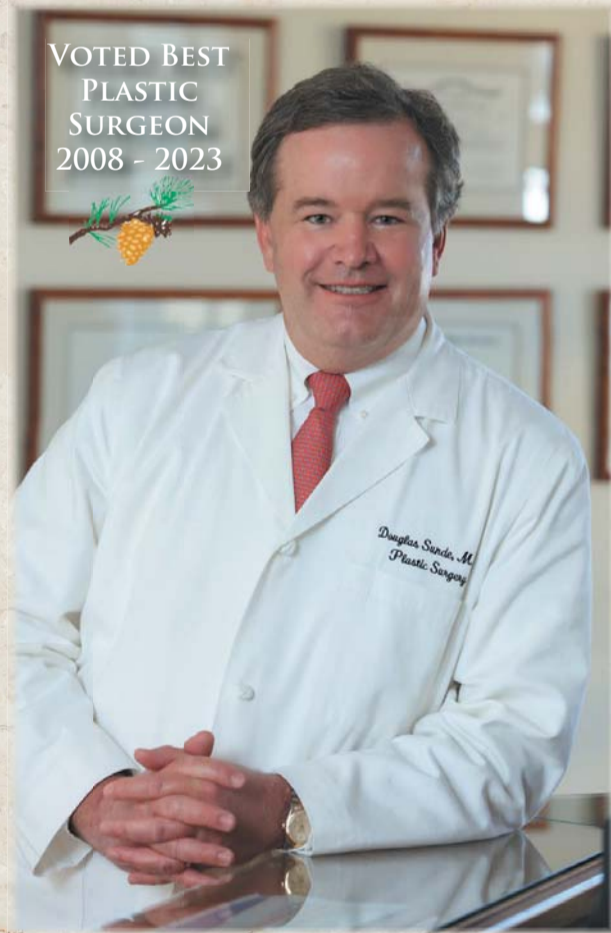
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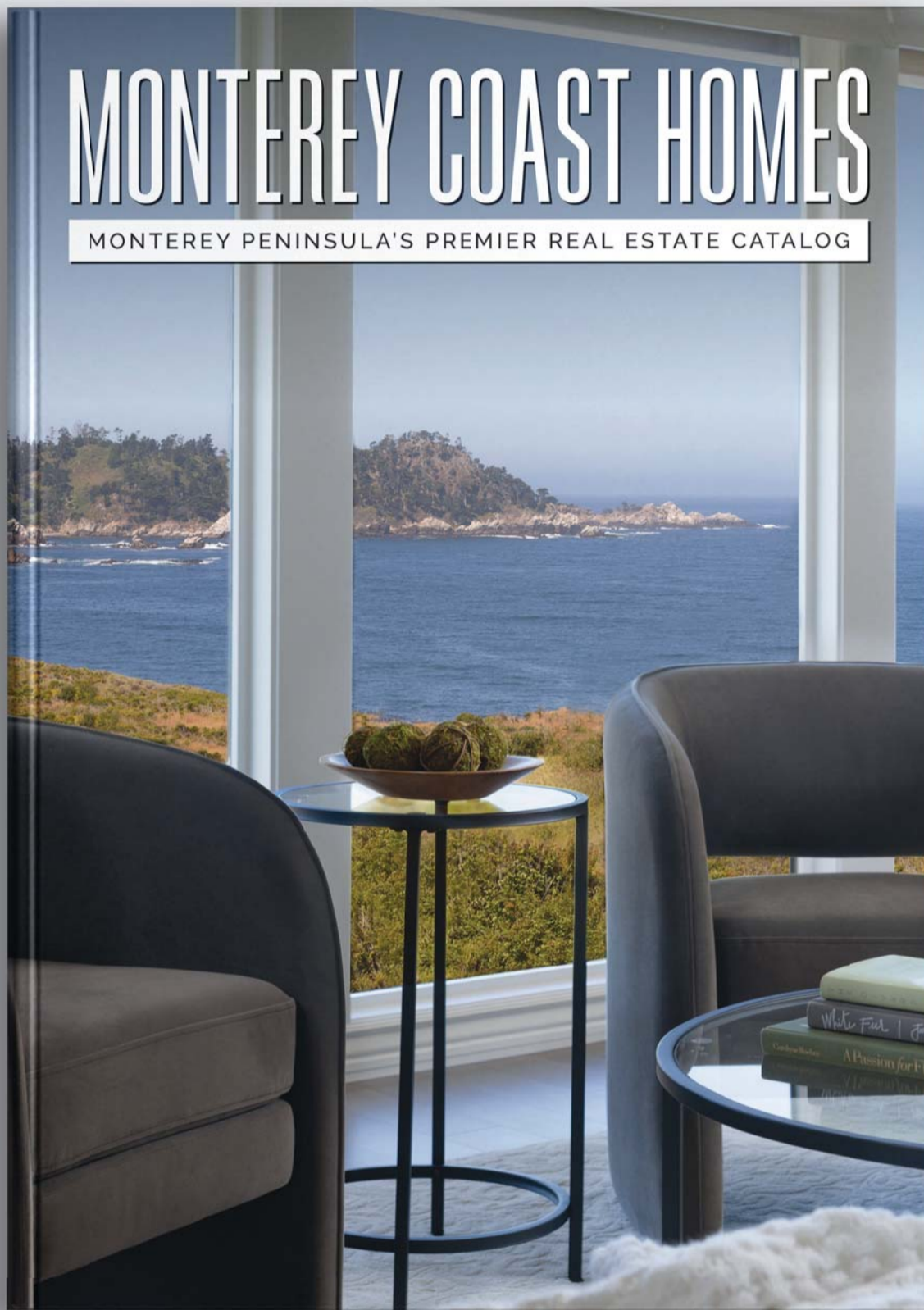
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a decadent day of wining and dining among notable racing and collector cars, an homage to all things Italian, an impressive show of the automotive prowess of the supercar community, lots of racing, and a beloved concours of automotive unmentionables. And prices run from nothing — many events are free — to if-you-have-to-ask-you-can't-afford-it, so there is truly an event (or several) for everyone.

### ■ Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca Friday-Saturday, Aug. 16-17

Vintage racing at the storied Laguna Seca track is celebrating its 50th anniversary, and this year's Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion highlights that major milestone in numerous ways. What began in 1974 as a day of racing in the run-up to the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance has become an event of huge significance in its own right, and every year, the races attract big names and very special cars.

A Golden Anniversary exhibit is the centerpiece in the paddock to recognize past featured marques and individuals who have been richly honored since the inaugural historic race. "According to former Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum Director and curator of this special exhibit, Ellen Bireley, this will be a once-in-a-lifetime collection of the rarest of the rare," organizers said.

On the track, the Reunion includes a whole lot of racing, with both A and B groups qualifying Thursday and then racing Friday and Saturday, leaving Sunday open for the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance.

Historian, author, photographer and Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance founder Bill Warner is the

Reunion's Master of Ceremonies, and 2009 Formula 1 champion and F1 commentator Jenson Button is racing his gorgeous 1952 Jaguar C-Type, which was originally owned by six-time World Champion Juan Manuel Fangio.

Bring a Trailer, the track's digital auction house partner, is hosting an Alumni Gathering with special cars displayed at the iconic Corkscrew and in the off-road area in the lakebed.

## BOYD

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and research assistant Daisy Johnson latch onto this story and make a daily investment in the research has been so meaningful."

Classic automobile collector Jack Boyd Smith — no relation to the explorer — is used to receiving calls from executors and agents who have come across a car he might appreciate. When he got the call about Boyd's Packard, his first question was, "Who was she?"

### Legendary car

What Smith did know is that most cars made by Packard were 8- or super 8-cylinder engines, that fewer than 2 percent of their cars had 12 cylinders, and even fewer had a custom Dietrich body.

"I knew nothing about Louise Arner Boyd until restorers started researching who she was, only to find she probably achieved more than Amelia Earhart," said Smith. "Without her story, we have a rare and interesting car. Knowing the car is tied to someone so adventuresome and accomplished makes it legendary."

Smith thought of the renowned photograph of Earhart standing in front of her twin-engine Lockheed 10E Electra plane, resting a hand on her 1937

Classes are 1955-1967 SCCA Small Displacement Production Cars, 1961-1975 FIA Manufacturers Championship, 1963-1968 Sports Racing Cars, 1981-1991 IMSA GTP/GTO/FIA Group C/Trans Am, 1967-1981 Formula Ford, 1966-1972 Trans Am, Ragtime Racers, 1966-1985 Formula 1, 1955-1967 SCCA Large Displacement Production Cars, 1973-1981

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Cord automobile in the foreground. He also owns that car, which he brought to the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance three years ago.

"I feel honored to have been asked to bring both Amelia Earhart's and Louise Boyd's cars to Pebble Beach," he said. "This Packard is a very rare car. And when you know its provenance, the car stands out that much more. What makes it noteworthy is this is an opportunity to tell an amazing story and bring this eminent woman to life."



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### ■ Pebble Beach RetroAuto Concours Village

Friday-Sunday, Aug. 16-18,

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8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Held in conjunction with the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance, RetroAuto is "an automobilia enthusiast's dream," according to the folks at Pebble Beach, as it features "a highly curated selection of rare collectibles and memorabilia from the automotive past," as well as "the latest luxury goods and technological tools of the present."

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Beach Concours d'Elegance merchandise.

Attendance is free. Details are at [pebblebeachconcours.net](http://pebblebeachconcours.net).

### ■ Pebble Beach Classic Car Forum Concours Village

Friday-Saturday, Aug. 16-17, times vary

The Pebble Beach Classic Car Forum brings together "key automotive figures to discuss some of the most interesting topics facing the collector car world today," and the talks promise to be informative and educational, with fans getting the rare opportunity to hear from

luminaries as they discuss all things automotive.

Concours chairman Sandra Button has said the forum "brings to the fore some of the people who have created, or made history with, or spent a lifetime caring for these cars," and that she hopes it "is a place where we can come together as a community, tackle some tough questions facing the car world and draw knowledge from experts — all while encouraging new automotive enthusiasts."

The remaining lineup includes "Packard: America's Premier Marque at 125 — Past, Present and Future,"

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(Left) Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance judges give a 1954 Ferrari 121 LM Scaglietti Spyder the once-over. (Right) A 1937 BMW 328 NSKK, owned by Stephen Bruno, looks magnificent on the fairway overlooking Carmel Bay.

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“The Racing Line: On Track to Win Hearts and Minds,” a Motortrend presentation on hypercars and the future of driving, America’s love affair with Route 66, “BPR Global Endurance Series 1994-1996 — The Return of GT Racing,” and the always-sold-out “Spike’s Car Radio Live at the Pebble Beach Classic Car Forum.”

Reservations are required, and ticket prices run from free to \$50, with most in the \$25 range. Details on speakers and times can be found at [pebblebeachconcoors.net](http://pebblebeachconcoors.net).

### ■ Mecum Monterey Auction

Hyatt Regency Hotel, Monterey

Friday-Saturday, Aug. 16-17 (Gates open at 8 a.m., and auctions begin at 9 a.m. with an hour of road art before bidding on cars starts at 10.)

Nobody sells more cars at auction than Mecum, according to organizers, and since 2011, Mecum has been ranked No. 1 in the world with number of collector cars offered at auction, No. 1 in the world with number of collector cars sold at auction, No. 1 in the United States with number of auction venues, and No. 1 in the United States in total dollar volume of sales. This year marks Mecum’s 15th Car Week sale.

“The Daytime Auction” is open to buyers, sellers and spectators, featuring its always eclectic collection of hundreds of vehicles. While most Mecum auctions have around 1,200 lots, the selection offered during Car

Week is curated to half that number. “We limit it to 600 lots and make it more specialized — because it is Monterey Car Week,” organizers said.

The lots for sale run the gamut, covering American and European makes and models of all vintages and styles, from century-old specimens to modern-day prototypes. The variety is impressive, ensuring the auctions will be entertaining for buyers and looky-loos alike.

The auctions will also be broadcast on CNBC this year. General admission is available for \$30 for one day or \$75 for all three, and children 12 and younger get in free. Bidders must register, and the package includes daily admission for the bidder and a guest. The Hyatt Regency Monterey is located at 1 Old Golf Course Road. For tickets, schedules, to consign a vehicle or to register, visit [mecum.com](http://mecum.com) or call (262) 275-5050.

### ■ Porsche Zentrum

The Barns of Cooper Molera, Monterey

Friday-Saturday Aug. 16-17, starting at 9 a.m. daily

Held for several years at The Quail, the Porsche Zentrum moved to downtown Monterey two years ago and is again taking up residence in the barns at the historic Cooper Molera adobe for three days of fun. This year, it’s themed “Full Service — an inviting playground filled with inspiring vehicle displays, test drives and thought-provoking conversations during Monterey Car Week.”

Along with test drives and a Porsche eBike test ride, Zentrum will host panels on “Where

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(Top) A magnificent 1938 Lincoln Model K Brunn Convertible, owned by Douglas and Leslie Kittenbrink, on the 18th fairway. (Above) A happy couple poses with a gorgeous 1938 Horch 855 Special Roadster.

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### MARQUES

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your dream car becomes reality,” featuring Milanese product designer Luca Trazzi, and “how deep the well of creativity runs with master designers, engineers, and, of course, dreamers at the helm” at Porsche, and the “Porsche x Mobil 1 Female Driver Panel,” featuring four drivers who are “shattering the glass ceiling and the record books of one of the world’s most popular sports.”

Find more information and register at [porsche-ezentrum.us/montereycar-week24](http://porsche-ezentrum.us/montereycar-week24).

#### ■ Bonhams Quail Lodge Auction

Quail Lodge, Carmel Valley  
Friday, Aug. 16, at 11 a.m. (Public preview 8:30 to 11 a.m.)

Bonhams takes pride in the fact it hosts a compelling car auction alongside one of the most sought-after events during Car Week, The Quail — A Motorsports Gathering. For decades, Bonhams has held an auction at Quail Lodge, and the sale takes place in an expansive open space, allowing buyers, sellers, spectators and others to enjoy the Carmel Valley sunshine as well as the cars.

Held in a large tent, the sale itself is traditional, with bids accepted from clients in the room, though spectators can watch online. This year, including artwork and models, 206 lots will be of-

ferred, including some ultra-rare Porsches expected to fetch seven-digit sales prices.

Bidder registration is \$150, while previews are \$120 for a catalog and admission for two people for all days or \$40 for an auction guide and admission for one for all days. Admission is included for attendees of The Quail, but a Quail ticket is not required for those who only want to attend the auction. The sale is held on Quail Lodge’s West Field at 27050 Rancho San Carlos Road. Contact [motors.us@bonhams.com](mailto:motors.us@bonhams.com) or visit [cars.bonhams.com/auction/29263/the-quail-auction](http://cars.bonhams.com/auction/29263/the-quail-auction) for more information.

#### ■ The Quail, A Motorsports Gathering

Quail Lodge, Carmel Valley  
Friday, Aug. 16, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

After surpassing two decades of superlative showcases, The Quail, affectionately known as “The Q,” celebrates its 21st year and retains its spot as the most coveted of all Car Week tickets. The Quail seeks to offer “an unparalleled and exclusive experience for motorsports enthusiasts and collectors from around the world,” and everyone involved works hard to achieve that mission. In November 2021, all that effort was recognized when the event was named Concours of the Year at the Historic Motoring Awards at the Rosewood Hotel in London.

Featured themes for 2024 include

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100 Years of MG, the 50th Anniversary of the Porsche 911 Turbo Type 930, the 30th Anniversary of Koenigsegg Automotive, and a Tribute to World Rally Cars. Those collections, which are sure to feature numerous notable and compelling entries, will accompany The Quail's traditional classes: Pre-War Sports & Racing, Post-War Sports, Post-War Racing, The Evolution of the Supercar, The Great Ferraris, Custom Coachwork, and Sports and Racing Motorcycles.

In addition, The Q has become "the"

place for debuting new models, with the world's most prominent and bespoke automakers hosting unveilings there. Many others will display unique specimens from the past, present and future.

The day also includes automotive luminaries engaging in fireside chats, gourmet food in themed culinary pavilions spread throughout the grounds, award-winning wine, specialty cocktails, champagne and caviar, and other indulgences.

Proceeds benefit the Naval Postgraduate School Foundation, Rancho Cielo Youth Campus, the California Highway

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The sleek lines of this 1939 Delahaye 135 MS Figoni et Falaschi Cabriolet attracted a lot of attention when the car was displayed at last year's Concours d'Elegance.

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### ■ Werks Reunion Monterey Monterey Pines Golf Course Friday, Aug. 16, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Fans of Porsche have a space all their own at the Werks Reunion, which was created by the Porsche Club of America and welcomes all clubs, owners and enthusiasts to participate, and spectators to check out the machinery for free. PCA membership is not required. "Expect to view a breathtaking array of Porsches ... from rare classics, to current models, and everything in between," organizers said. Owners can display their cars in model-specific Porsche corrals for \$114 or enter the judged field to compete in more than 20 categories for \$164, but both are sold out.

The event was created to celebrate Porsches and the camaraderie of their owners and is therefore "not a contest of who has removed dust from the deepest crevices in their Porsches, but rather a judged show that rewards a Porsche that has been lovingly maintained and presents itself well on the field." Judges don't

use score sheets, instead ranking the cars according to certain criteria they discuss before setting out on their task. "This is a casual gathering of Porsche enthusiasts focused on having fun rather than solely competition." Judging will take place midday — and will include a group of youth judges sponsored by Hagerty — with awards presented between 2 and 3 p.m.

Gates open at 7 a.m., breakfast and lunch items are available until 10, and the bars are open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Food trucks will offer lunch items between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. (Most vendors are cashless.) While the show is free, parking costs \$40, cash only. Monterey Pines is located at 1250 Garden Road. Visit [werksreunion.com/monterey.cfm](http://werksreunion.com/monterey.cfm).

### ■ Pacific Grove Rotary Concours Auto Rally Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove Friday, Aug. 16, noon staging, 5 p.m. tour

Launched in 1995 with the help of the late Carroll Shelby, the Pacific Grove Rotary Concours Auto Rally was started to raise money for community charities while presenting a more relaxed and less pricey alternative to the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance. The rally is geared for people who own and drive their classic, vintage, sports and luxury cars, and allows owners to show them off along Lighthouse Avenue before heading out

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for an afternoon drive. It draws more than 200 participants and thousands of spectators who browse the cars while they're parked or line up along the route to watch them pass. Departing from Lighthouse Avenue at 5 p.m., the drive follows a route along the scenic Pacific Grove shoreline and 17 Mile Drive through Pebble Beach before returning to P.G.

"The Pacific Grove Rotary Concours Auto Rally is now established as one of the most popular free-to-spectator

events of Car Week on the Monterey Peninsula," according to organizers.

In celebration of its 30th birthday, the rally's featured marque is twice that age — the Ford Mustang turns 60 this year. Concours judges will present an award for the best Mustang, as well as other categories, during the mandatory drivers meeting at 4 p.m.

And after a hiatus, the after-drive dinner is back and will start at 6 p.m. at Chautauqua Hall at the corner of 16th Street and Central Avenue, with tri tip, chicken, scalloped potatoes, salad, bread, dessert and drinks.

Car registration is already sold out,

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Even the oldest cars at the Concours d'Elegance, such as this 1915 Stutz Model 4F Bearcat, can gleam like they're new, thanks to meticulous restorations.

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as are dinner-only tickets. Proceeds support Rotary Club of Pacific Grove projects and local youth programs, and the Rotary is also holding an online auction to raise funds. Bidding closes Aug. 14 at 5 p.m. For more information, call (831) 372-3861 or visit [pgr Rotary.org/annual-pacific-grove-concours-auto-rally](http://pgr Rotary.org/annual-pacific-grove-concours-auto-rally).

### ■ Pebble Beach Auctions presented by Gooding & Company

**Pebble Beach Parc du Concours**  
Friday, Aug. 16, at 4 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 17, at 11 a.m. (Previews various hours through Aug. 17)

As the longtime partner of the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance and the only auction held within the gates of Del Monte Forest, Gooding & Co is celebrating its 20th anniversary event as the official auction house of the Concours and has published its largest catalogue to date, unveiling additional star cars for its two-day sale.

On tap for the auctions this year are an exceptional Ferrari 250 GT SWB California Spider, a three-louver Ferrari 250 GT Tour de France Berlinetta, a Ferrari 250 GT Berlinetta Competizione formerly owned by Alfonso de Portago, a bespoke Vignale-bodied Ferrari 250 GT Europa Coupe Speciale custom

built for Princess Liliane de Réthy of Belgium, and additional Ferrari and Alfa Romeo selections from some of the most important private car collections in the world.

"Our 20th annual Pebble Beach Auctions will be monumental among the collector market as the finest catalogue of offerings that we have ever assembled," said David Brynan, senior specialist for Gooding & Co.

Last year, Gooding & Co. facilitated \$109,559,870 in transactions, selling 28 cars for figures well over \$1 million and setting five new world records at auction.

Auctions take place in the Parc du Concours pavilion located near Stevenson Drive and Portola Road.

Catalogs are \$120, which includes admission for two to the viewing and the auctions, while general admission is \$50 per person for the viewing and auctions.

Bidder registration is \$200. See [goodingco.com/auction/pebble-beach-auctions-2024](http://goodingco.com/auction/pebble-beach-auctions-2024) for details.

### ■ Exotics on Broadway Broadway Avenue, Seaside Saturday, Aug. 17, 1 to 6 p.m.

A decade after its 2015 launch as a small gathering of exotics and supercars, Exotics on Broadway is now billed as "the most anticipated show during Monterey Car Week," and organizers say it is the "largest single day attended event during Monterey Car Week."

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EoB is free and caters to enthusiasts who are passionate about modern high-end autos and enjoy modifying them. While cars line the streets, including an ever-expanding section of Fremont, exhibitor booths will range from automotive manufacturers, wheel manufacturers and tuners to automotive dealerships and everything in between. Organizers expect 45 vendors, 400 cars and 45,000 spectators. Live entertainment, DJs, a VIP area and other activities will round out what's sure to be a lively party in downtown Seaside. Parking is available offsite at Coe Ave. and Gen. Jim Moore Blvd., with shuttles running to and from the show.

"Seaside provides us a platform primed for growth and excitement to even further enhance the fan experience," organizers said when they announced this year's event. "Exotics on Broadway genuinely appeals to Seaside because it is open to the public and will now become the showcase of the rarest super cars in the world."

Vehicle registration is \$195, while a VIP package for a vehicle and two attendees is \$950 and includes a lot of extras. VIP only, without a car, is \$400. And spectating is free. For more information, visit [exoticsonbroadway.com](http://exoticsonbroadway.com).

### 26th Annual Ferrari Event at the Barnyard

### Barnyard Shopping Village

Saturday, Aug. 17, 4 to 7 p.m.

Big Sur Food & Wine curates the Ferrari Event at the Barnyard and is its beneficiary, as well. The gathering, now in its 26th year, is held in collaboration with the Ferrari Owners Club and features new and vintage models. The moving forces behind the annual Big Sur festival ensure there will be plenty of fine wine to complement small bites offered by Barnyard restaurants.

Guests are encouraged to make reservations to dine in one of the shopping center's many restaurants after the party.

The online ticket price is \$80, but kids 15 and under get in free, and car exhibitors get priority at the wine reception. Admission the day of the event is \$100. Order through [thebarnyard.com/events](http://thebarnyard.com/events).

The Barnyard is located off Carmel Rancho Boulevard near Highway 1.

### Concours d'Lemons

Seaside City Hall

Saturday, Aug. 17, 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

"Bigger and dumber every year," the Monterey Peninsula's celebration of "the oddball, the mundane and the truly awful of the automotive world" will be back on the lawn at Seaside City Hall.

"We are the worst car show in the world at one of the nicest car events in the world," founder and "head gasket" Alan Galbraith recently told local and international media.

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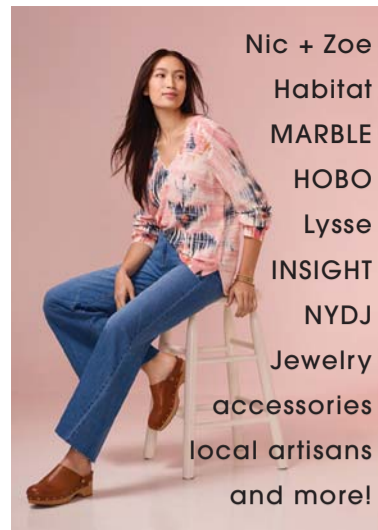
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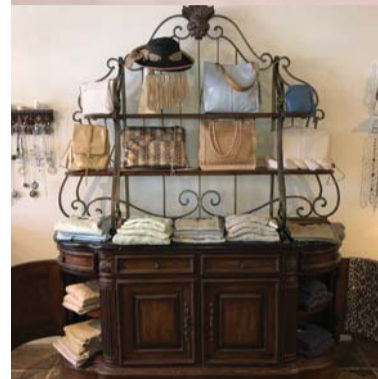
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The judges are “guaranteed to be unprofessional, inattentive, capricious and subject to bribery,” especially when the latter involves liquor and food, according to Galbraith. “Satisfactory bribes will earn the ‘Ribbon of Dishonor,’ to be placed on the car’s windshield. Don’t like their decisions? Check your ticket — you’re at the wrong car show.

“This year the Concours d’Lemons has suckered several automotive world luminaries into being guest judges,” he continued. “They risk their reputation, you get to hobnob with bigwigs, everyone has a good time.”

The highly sought-after trophies sourced from thrift stores are awarded to cars in classes such as Rust Belt American Junk, Needlessly Complex Italian and Soul-Sucking Japanese Appliance, as well as in special classes such as Best Back Seat, Slightly Better Than a Go-Kart, Sight for Sour Eyes and Driving on a Prayer.

“Hoopties of all description compete for the coveted ‘Worst of Show’ trophy awarded by capricious and bribery-prone celebrity judges. New this year, Oris Swiss watches will present a timepiece to the winner. “The joke is it will be worth more and will run better,” Galbraith said.

And “spectators are free, that way you get what you pay for and perhaps a little less,” while registering your hooptie costs \$23.18 through Aug. 16.

Galbraith has been known to note that the gathering is “attended by billionaires and parolees alike,” and “draws hundreds of the worst cars and thousands of the best people, all of whom appreciate a little levity and value during the otherwise hectic and overpriced” Car Week.

And because many Lemons entrants ditch their cars on the city hall lawn at the end of the show, organizers are partnering with Habitat for Humanity, Galbraith said. Abandoned vehicles will be donated to the nonprofit’s Cars for Houses program.

City hall is located at 440 Harcourt Ave. Go to [24hoursoflemons.com/concours-d-lemons](http://24hoursoflemons.com/concours-d-lemons).

### ■ Concorso Italiano Bayonet Golf Course, Seaside Saturday, Aug. 17, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The celebration of all things Italian, Concorso Italiano is entering its 39th year and has a new owner, longtime entrepreneur and car collector Richard De Andrade, as of April. Andrade has announced “an ambitious five-year vision to unite all cherished elements of Italian culture and lifestyle — from art to transportation, including cuisine, design, fashion and technology — all this amidst our unwavering love and passion for Italian automobiles and the Italian lifestyle.”

The beautiful grounds of the Bayonet Golf Course host the event, which this year will include Pininfarina Classiche

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as it makes its U.S. debut. Pininfarina Classiche is a certification program dedicated to classic cars that were crafted in Pininfarina facilities for various brands throughout the years.

Organizers said guests should expect to immerse themselves in “a grand celebration of Italian ingenuity, design and style,” showcasing everything from luxury cars to elegant motorcycles, cool mopeds and technically advanced bicycles, as well as “delectable cuisine,” fine wines and music.

Those interested in a more exclusive experience can upgrade to the CI VIP Club or CI Chairman’s Club packages, with early entry, access to VIP pavilions, premium seating at the stage, indulgent Italian cuisine, and a curated selection of award-winning wines, cocktails and other beverages. Tickets run from \$300 for the CI Experience to \$1,800 for the Chairman’s Club.

Also new is a gala dinner at Bayonet & Black Horse the night prior to the main event, with cocktails starting at 5:30 p.m. and an expansive menu prepared in partnership with Italian food purveyor Eatly. Tickets are \$150 per person or \$1,200 for a table of eight.

Charitable partners include Little Italy San Jose, Rancho Cielo and All In Monterey County. Registration and other information can be found [concorso.com](http://concorso.com).

■ **Monterey Motorsports Festival**

**Monterey Fairgrounds**  
*Saturday, Aug. 17, 2 to 10 p.m.*

After its debut last year, the Monterey Motorsports Festival is again partnering with Mecum Auctions to promise “an unparalleled blend of automotive displays, interactive experiences, live entertainment and gourmet food, ensuring an unforgettable day for all attendees.”

The festival will highlight exotic cars, overlanding and off-road vehicles, aviation, electric vehicles, and the Globe of Death, with daring motorcycle stunts inside a spherical cage. The afternoon and evening will also offer plenty of live entertainment, dancing groups, music, racing simulators, food courts, outdoor bars, workshops, ride-and-drives, and more. Spread out over 22 acres, the festival will be divided into distinct areas, each offering a unique experience.

In addition, a Special Olympics torch run will take place at 2:30 p.m. following founder Paolo Manco’s opening speech.

A VIP experience will offer special parking and lounge access, elevated food and drink, continuous entertainment, and appearances by local chefs.

General admission is \$90, with discounts given for seniors, youth, military, first responders and healthcare workers. VIP tickets are \$320. For more information, visit [montereymotorsportsfestival.com](http://montereymotorsportsfestival.com).

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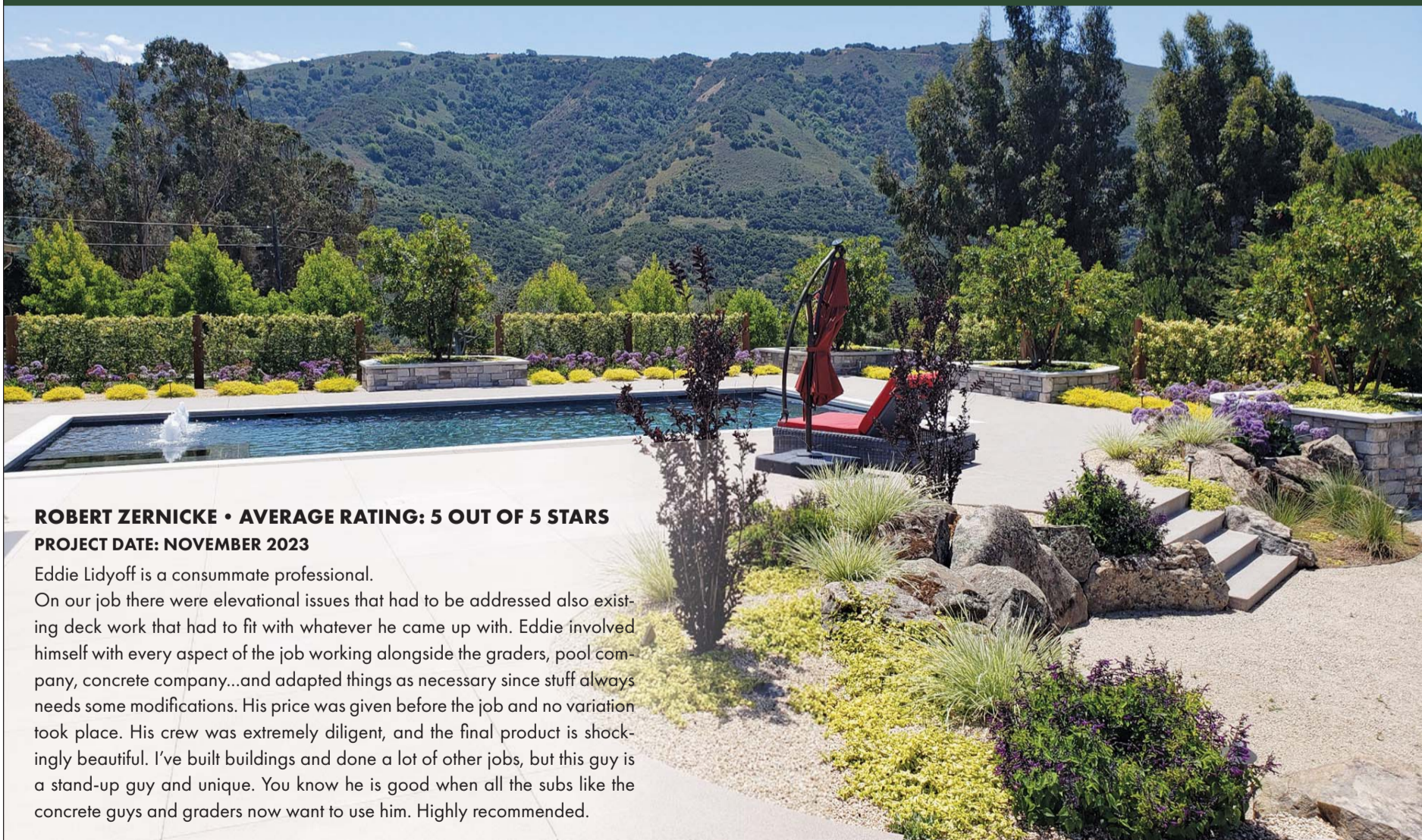


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■ **MTV 2nd Annual Monterey Car Week Cruise In Monterey Touring Vehicles, Monterey**

*Sunday, Aug. 18, 1 to 4 p.m.*

The owners of Monterey Touring Vehicles, which has a fleet of 37 vintage vehicles of all shapes and sizes, is hosting its 2nd Annual Monterey Car Week Cruise In for those who won't be in Pebble Beach on Sunday.

"Last year's event was such a huge suc-

cess, and we can't wait to do it again. We will have participant goodies, merch for sale and, once again, there will be trophies for several different categories," organizers said. "Imagine winning a trophy during Monterey Car Week."

The afternoon will also feature food, drinks and plenty of opportunities to mix and mingle with other car lovers and show off your prized beauty. Attendance is free.

Monterey Touring Vehicles is located at 2228 Del Monte Blvd. Visit [montereytouringvehicles.com](http://montereytouringvehicles.com) for more information.

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A Concours d'Elegance ticket holder takes a close look at the engine of a 1934 Bugatti Type 57 Franay Cabriolet, owned by Stephen Plaster of Lebanon, Mo.



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### ■ Pebble Beach Concours

d'Elegance  
Pebble Beach Golf Links

Sunday, Aug. 18, 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.,  
with awards at 1:30 p.m.

This year marks the 73rd annual Concours d'Elegance, which organizers have dubbed "the world's most prestigious car event" and "the world's premier celebration of the automobile."

The show began in 1950 as a small collection of then-modern cars exhibited in conjunction with the Pebble Beach Road Races, and, during its expansive and impressive growth over the decades, has earned those descriptors.

The Concours has also raised \$37 million for charity, including \$2.68 million last year. Contestants are invited to participate and must pass stringent evaluations in order to land a spot on the grass, ensuring every vehicle at the Concours is rare and special, if not unique.

Fancy hats and all sorts of fashion complement the stunning coastline, Champagne, parties, fine food and superlative people-watching that come with this annual celebration of 200 amazing

motorcars from all over the world.

"The Concours is not a contest of speed, but of elegance," with entries judged for their historical accuracy, technical merit and style. Each class winner is a contender for the coveted Best of Show award, last year won by the 1937 Mercedes-Benz 540K Special Roadster shown by Jim Patterson of the Patterson Collection. (The car is just one of three of its kind in existence.)

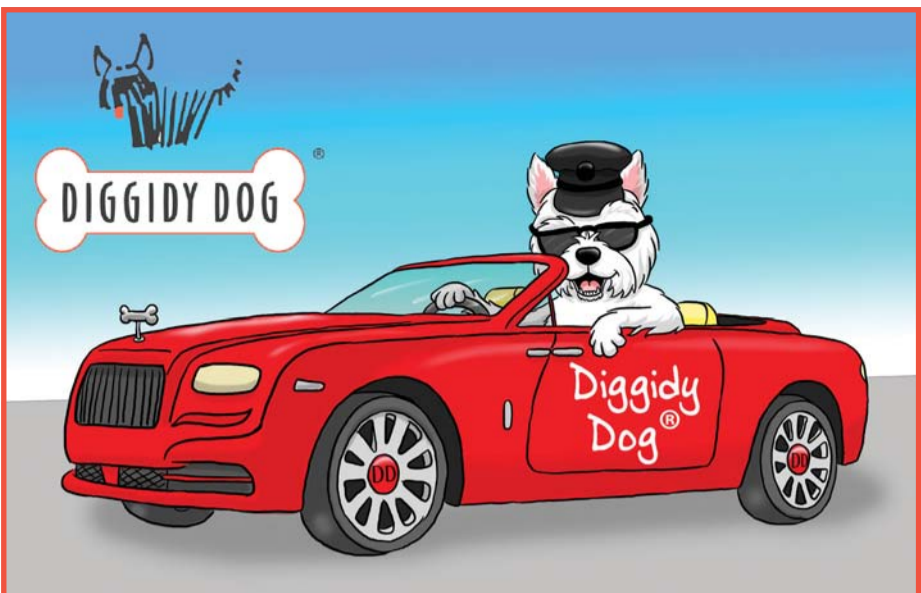
In addition to the traditional classes, featured classes this year will honor the 125th anniversary of Packard, Maserati, Frua Coachwork, Wedge-Shaped Concept Cars and Prototypes, and an unprecedented class of 1990s BPR & FIA GT Race Cars.

The Concours benefits the United Way of Monterey County, the Pebble Beach Company Foundation and Boys & Girls Clubs of Monterey County and nearly 90 other charities.

General admission tickets, which include parking, shuttle service and commemorative program, are \$595. Kids under 12 are free.

Tickets for premium experiences range from \$1,100 to \$4,500, including a new VIP Pavilion right on the show field, with sweeping views of the ocean, the cars and the awards ramp. For more information, call (877) 693-0009 or visit [pebblebeachconcours.net](http://pebblebeachconcours.net).

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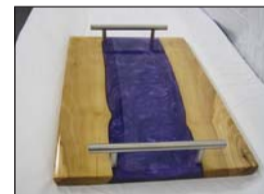
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