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Three create slate in school district election

■ Teachers union makes endorsements

By MARY SCHLEY

WITH THE shift from at-large elections to races in individual zones, it's fair to say the Nov. 5 race will drastically change the makeup of the Carmel Unified School District's board of education.

Board president Jason Remynse and board members

Seaberry Nachbar, Karl Pallastrini and Anne-Marie Rosen are all seeing their terms end in December. Remynse and Rosen are now fighting for the privilege of representing Trustee Area 5, which spans from mid-valley east of Quail Lodge to Laureles Grade and runs along the south side of Carmel Valley Road. Nachbar and Pallastrini are not running. Only board member Sara Hinds is unaffected, since her term expires in December 2026.

Meanwhile, three candidates announced they have

banded together to campaign as a slate. Rita Patel wants to serve in Trustee Area 1, which includes Carmel-by-the-Sea and Pebble Beach, Jeannette Witten is seeking the seat in Trustee Area 3, which covers Carmel Highlands and areas south through Big Sur, and Monica Tavakoli is running for the two-year at-large board seat.

'Shared platform'

The three candidates are referring to themselves as "One Unified Candidate Slate" and said in their announcement that their decision to join forces is driven by "a powerful and united commitment to improving education and ensuring success for every student in the Carmel Unified School District."

The women's "shared platform focuses on putting students first again and driving accountability, fiscal responsibility, and community transparency," they said.

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Ready for some romance, love and heartbreak? "Sense and Sensibility," based on the novel by Jane Austen, opens this weekend at Forest Theater. See page 13A

Booming Marina says it needs new police, fire stations

By CAITLIN CONRAD

THE CITY of Marina is making a big ask this election season. A \$50 million bond measure on the Nov. 5 ballot would fund the construction of new fire and police stations, city hall and a community center. The Pine Cone requested a tour of the civic center facilities this week to see just how bad they are and find out how the buildings are impacting public safety and services in the city, which is building housing at a rate unlike anything seen in the Monterey Peninsula since the World War II era.

The tour started inside Marina's combo police and fire station with Fire Chief Doug McCoun and Police Sgt. Chris Johnson acting as guides.

The hub was built decades ago when the two departments were integrated and served a much smaller population of just 10,000 residents.

Overcrowding

Today, more than 23,000 people live in Marina, and calls for service have gone way up, with the city seeing a 50 percent increase in 911 calls over the last eight years.

The building at 211 Hillcrest is three stories high and built into a hillside. The top-floor entrance is at ground level, and the lowest story opens onto a parking lot on the backside facing Palm Avenue. The top floor houses admin for police and fire, the lower level is home to firefighters, and the basement level belongs to police. Both departments have added staff as the town has expanded, but their shared headquarters has not grown with them.



Not what you'd call an actual building, Marina City Hall is collection of portables more than 40 years old.

"Back when this building was built, there was not near the call volume, there was not near the mandated reporting requirements," said McCoun after opening the lobby's code-locked door and taking us inside.

Not 24/7

Just off the lobby is the room housing the police department's records staff. There are three desks in the office and sitting propped against the wall are parts for a fourth desk. Marina recently hired another records specialist to file cases with the district attorney within the mandated 48 hours following an arrest, but there is no room to set up the new employee's workstation.

"We're not able to have people working 24 hours like normal police departments. A lot of police departments

See MARINA page 12A

Chopper saves hiker stranded on beach

By CHRIS COUNTS

 ${
m A}$ MISSING woman from Utah was rescued Sunday afternoon when a CHP helicopter found her injured along a hard-to-access stretch of shoreline in Big Sur where she'd been stranded for more than 24 hours.

The beach where she was found is near Kirk Creek

'Daylighting Law' requirements Campground and the intersection of Highway 1 and Nacimiento-Fergusson Road.

The 68-year-old woman, who stayed the previous night at the Ragged Point Inn, told her husband that she planned to "hunt for rocks at low tide in the early morning."

When the woman didn't return to the inn later that evening, her husband contacted authorities, and a search was launched. But the effort was delayed because of poor

Car found near campground

"Due to fog at Paso Robles Airport and a low marine layer over Highway 1, the helicopter was delayed,' according to a report by the California Highway Patrol. "After monitoring the weather, the helicopter was finally able to initiate the search at 1300 hours."

The woman's vehicle was found parked in a turnout near the campground, which is about 20 miles north of where she was staying. The helicopter searched the

See STRANDED page 20A

Pastor buys two more downtown buildings

■ Long-term rentals in the works

By MARY SCHLEY

ADDING TO his sizable portfolio of local properties, Monaco businessman and part-time Carmel resident Patrice Pastor purchased two more commercial complexes on San Carlos Street — one north of Ocean Avenue and one south of it — last week. Escrow closed Sept. 27.

The San Carlos Professional Building on the west side of the street just north of Eighth went for \$6,500,000, according to county records, while the San Carlos Square Building — home to popular Stationaery restaurant and other businesses — sold for \$5,900,000. The sellers were Kristin Minnich and Aguero Shoppes LLC, respectively, and the agents representing Pastor were Tim Allen of Coldewell Banker Global Luxury and and Alessia Ucelli of Monterey Coast Realty.

The professional building, where Carmel Insurance

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Patrice Pastor purchased the San Carlos Professional Building (top) and San Carlos Square (above) in deals that closed Friday. The buildings have offices, shops and residential apartments

City prepares to do parking-space shuffle

By MARY SCHLEY

 Γ HE CARMEL City Council next month is set to consider a new law that will bring the city into compliance with AB 413, commonly called the Daylighting Law, which eliminates parking spaces near crosswalks to make intersections safer for pedestrians and cyclists. At their Oct. 1 meeting, council members learned from Police Chief Paul Tomasi that, with changes made to various types of spaces, just nine two-hour spots will be lost downtown.

"We really were looking at ways to limit the loss of parking spaces downtown," he said. "I know that's been a big concern, because we don't have a lot and they're precious to us — they're like gold.

According to his department's survey, the commercial district — which will be most impacted by the law — contains 810 spaces, 696 of which are two-hour spots, 102 are 30- or 10-minute spaces, eight are commercial loading

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Posey, the offspring of an English cream golden retriever and a standard poodle, was a bit of a surprise. Mom and Dad, who had decided to get their kids a dog, found themselves attracted to the hypoallergenic, low-shedding qualities of the doodle. They headed down to Windy Hills Doodles in Merced to pick out a Labradoodle but fell in love with Posey. They put her in the car before they'd even picked out a name for her.

"We were trying to come up with names our kids would like, and Fluffy was one possible choice," her person said. "But I follow baseball player Buster Posey, and Posey is such a cute name to say. Her middle name is Bacon, because she loves the smell of bacon when we cook it. She sits and waits for it."

The only thing Posey may love more than bacon is the beach. A Pebble Beach resident on the Pacific Grove side of the community, she typically races around in the sand by Spanish Bay.

"Posey is a picture of pure joy as she runs around with other dogs on that beach and then splashes



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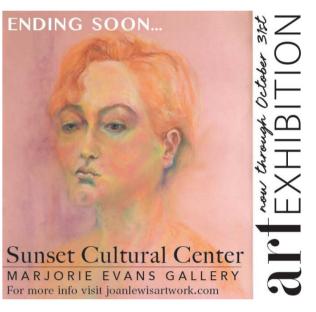
LUXURY

By Lisa Crawford Watson



through the surf with our kids," her person said. "She's also really friendly with other people and is super patient with little kids. She seems to forget she's a big dog, as she tries to sit in our laps to get petted, even though she's 70 pounds."

Posey, whose coat is typically combed out, is like a puffball, her person said, but a whole lot heavier.





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Highway 1 won't reopen this year

By CHRIS COUNTS

PUTTING THE kibosh on plans anyone has to drive from Carmel to Cambria along the Big Sur coast this year, Caltrans announced Sept. 27 that Highway 1 will be closed at the site of the Regent Slide until sometime in 2025. But nearly all of Big Sur's shops and resorts are open from either from the north or south.

The announcement follows the Aug. 16 discovery of cracks in a slope where major excavation efforts were underway. "In the weeks since that update, continued land movement and slope cracking were observed during intensive project monitoring and investigation." Kevin Drabinski of Caltrans reported.

Before excavation can resume, work crews need to stabilize the site - the agency said it must strike a balance between getting the road open as soon as possible and keeping workers safe.

"Crews still need to monitor both the new slide and the area of undisturbed land above the project site where the start of new excavation work is planned," Drabinski continued.

"Data from these investigations will inform the repair design and major excavation work. Repairs will resume when crews and equipment can be positioned on stable ground above and behind the new slide activity."

Trouble started in February

One of two slides in Big Sur that storms triggered in early February, the Regent Slide is located about 4.5 miles south of Esalen Institute. It occurred when rocks and debris about 450 feet above Highway 1 "engulfed the roadway and continued down to the beach and ocean below."

With other slides down the coast cleared, the Regent Slide remains the last that is preventing through travel along the Big Sur coast. Despite the closure, most of Big Sur's attractions are accessible.

"Over 100 miles of Highway 1 between Cambria and Carmel remain open with the exception of a 6.8-mile segment from 1 mile south of the Esalen Institute to 2 miles north of the community of Lucia," Caltrans said. "Updates on an estimated reopening date and the progress of repairs will be provided on a regular basis.'

More license plate camera talks set

By MARY SCHLEY

A JUNE ad hoc meeting on the city's license-plate-reading cameras drew people with strong opinions on both sides, with some decrying the cameras for their appearance and invasion of privacy, and others arguing they are valuable tools for protecting the public by helping catch criminals. The cameras will be the topic of two more committee meetings this month before the full city council talks about them again in November.

"We're going to discuss the different Flock camera situations, the placement, what they do, how they help," and how they look Carmel City Councilman Bobby Richards said at Tuesday's council meeting. "We want to engage, we want to hear what you have to say, because at our November meeting, we'll be discussing this. So the more public input we get on this, the better."

Rolled back

In April 2023, the Carmel City Council approved a contract with Flock Safety to put up two dozen wireless, solar-powered, license-plate-reading cameras in the city and replace the six installed by another provider several years earlier. The Flock system captures images of passing cars

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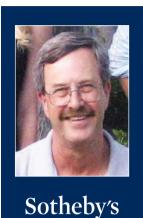
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Police & Sheriff's Log

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Somewhere, 3 bears are surfing

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

The Carmel Pine Cone

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Pacific Grove: Mental health hold at Alder and Gibson.

Carmel Valley: Report of alleged financial abuse involving a Parrot Ranch Road resident.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A subject at Fifth and Dolores was upset they were being recorded in public and started an altercation.

Pacific Grove: Traffic stop on Sunset

Drive resulted in the driver being arrested for driving on a suspended license. The 38-yearold male driver was released with a notice to

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found laptop on

Carmel area: Report of missing items on

Pacific Grove: Argument between spouses on Pacific Grove Lane.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Pacific Grove: Citation issued for a municipal code violation at Mermaid and Ocean View Boulevard, health permit required.

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



The gavel falls

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

Sept. 23 — The California Board of Parole, after an "en banc" review by a panel of commissioners at a monthly executive board meeting, affirmed the April 23, grant of parole to David Leonardo, who received parole after serving less than 13 years in custody. Leonardo was serving a 15-years-to-life sentence for the murder he committed in 2011. This was the inmate's second parole hearing, and the first subsequent hearing after Gov. Gavin Newsom in March 2023 overturned a parole grant in October 2022 at the inmate's first parole hearing.

On Dec. 3, 2011, at 1:17 p.m., Monterey County deputies and firefighters responded to a call of a non-responsive child at a home in Castroville. Leonardo was upstairs yelling for the deputies to come upstairs. As deputies entered the upstairs bedroom, they saw Leonardo holding a 2-year-old girl, Priscilla Rose Hernandez. Priscilla was not wearing a shirt and had several visible bruises on her body,

including her lower abdomen. Her eyes were open. Her body was pale and motionless. She was unconscious. Her extremities were cool to the touch. She had an open airway. Leonardo was talking rapidly and was visibly upset. It was then learned that Leonardo was Priscilla's mother's boyfriend who watched the children.

The child was deceased and an autopsy was conducted. Priscilla had suffered blunt force trauma to her abdomen that caused tears in the lining of her abdomen and in her colon which resulted in internal bleeding, causing her death within minutes. Injuries to her mouth indicated she had been smothered sometime within 24 hours prior to her death. There were numerous bruises on her chest, abdomen, head, legs and arms. Severe bruising was observed to her right arm, which appeared to be grab marks.

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Police say woman committed many crimes

A PACIFIC Grove woman was arrested Sept. 21 for a litany of crimes, including credit card fraud, theft, burglary, drug possession and other misdemeanor and felony charges.

On Sept. 20, a P.G. resident reported the theft of items from their unlocked vehicle, including a credit card, totaling \$750. The next day, the resident reported unauthorized credit card charges.

Pacific Grove Police officers launched an investigation which resulted in the arrest of Pacific Grove resident Laura Amy Gates, 45.

The arrest "was the result of excellent police work by officer Vivian Valero and her field trainer, Cpl. Michael Mine," Police Cmdr. Brian Anderson told The Pine Cone.

Gates was booked into Monterey County Jail on the charges as well as warrants for other crimes, which includes felony possession of a controlled substance without a prescription, possession of illegal drugs and paraphernalia, giving officers a false name, unlawful possession/ use of tear gas, burglary tools, felony possession of ammunition, petty theft, receiving stolen property and credit card theft.

"Funston Avenue is where the original report of stolen items was made," Anderson said. "The arrest was made on Sunset

As of Oct. 3, Gates was still in jail. The Monterey County District Attorney's Office has charged her with a felony and misdemeanors, and she was expected to enter a plea last week.

Stolen Tacoma?

According to court records, a woman with the same name was charged in March 2021 with unlawfully taking a 2014 Toyota Tacoma pickup without the consent of its owner and receiving stolen property, both felonies, and being in possession of a license plate "stolen and obtained by extortion.'

On Aug. 25, 2021, Gates pleaded guilty to taking the Tacoma and the other charges were dropped. She received felony probation.

PUBLIC NOTICES

COMMUNITY MEETING PUBLIC NOTICE

FLOCK CAMERA AD HOC COMMITTEE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Flock Camera Ad Hoc Committee will hold two community meetings in October

MEETING DATE AND LOCATION: These meetings will be held via teleconference and in person ("hybrid") in the City Council Chambers at City Hall located on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea on Tuesday, October 8, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. and on Thursday, October 24, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: The public is welcome to attend the meeting in person or remotely via Zoom, however, the meeting will proceed as normal even if there are technical difficulties accessing Zoom. The City will do its best to resolve any technical issues as quickly as possible.

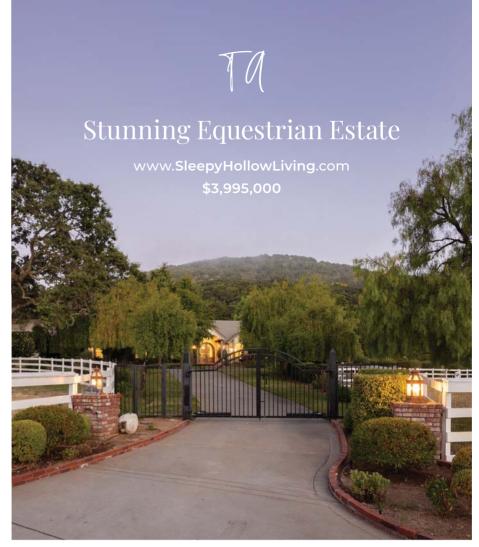
The Zoom link for remote attendance will be published on the agenda and posted online at this link at least 24 hours in

All interested individuals are invited to attend the meeting in person or via teleconference to provide oral or written testimony. Written comments can be submitted to the City Clerk at City Hall (located on Monte Verde St., between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921) or by mail at P.O. Box CC, Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921. You may also email comments to cityclerk@ci.carmel.ca.us before the meeting. Please submit written comments at least two hours before the meeting to ensure they are provided to the Ad Hoc Committee.

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New law puts Monterey County's fight against big oil back in spotlight

By CAITLIN CONRAD

Assemblymember Dawn Addis was in Monterey Wednesday for a victory lap celebrating the passage of her oil and gas bill. About 50 people gathered at Colton Hall Museum to cheer the success of AB 3233. The new law gives cities and counties the power to limit or prohibit oil and gas operations, controls that used to lie exclusively with the state. The bill's success puts an old fight back in the spotlight in Monte-

rey County, which tried to ban the drilling of new oil and gas wells with Measure Z in 2016. The ballot initiative was commonly known as the "fracking ban," and voters approved it; however, Measure Z did not hold up in court.

Filed suit

Not long after the ballot boxes closed in Monterey County, oil operator Aera Energy filed suit along with five other companies and dozens of San Ardo royalty owners. In December 2016, a Monterey County judge ruled, in part, in favor of oil,

overturning portions of Measure Z. The decision left a ban on fracking but removed bans on new oil and gas wells and wastewater injection sites. At issue was preemption. The plaintiffs successfully made the case that state and federal laws trump county law.

The ruling was appealed up to the California Supreme Court in Chevron U.S.A. Inc. v. County of Monterey, and in 2023 the justices sided with big oil, also on preemption grounds. The fight cost the county millions of dollars, and ultimately the ruling

affirmed that Measure Z contradicted and was therefore preempted by the California Public Resources Code.

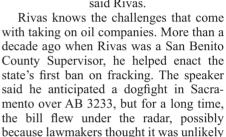
Addis has now changed California's law in an effort to trounce the preemption argument. "We have opened a door for cities and counties across our state, and we're very, very proud to do that," said Addis.

'Celebrate victory'

Among the supporters at Wednesday's anti-pollution rally were Measure Z pro-

ponents, including Monterey County Supervisor Wendy Root Askew and council members from Seaside and Monterey. Also in attendance were the Monterey Peninsula's State Senator, John Laird, and Speaker of the Assembly Robert Rivas, who admitted he had doubts the bill would pass.

"We are here to celebrate our most recent victory and that was something, that I didn't think was possible at the start of this legislative season," said Rivas.



Critics worried the potential fights with

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Gov signs law against requiring IDs to vote

By KELLY NIX

A REQUIREMENT to show identification to vote in California — which Republican lawmakers say will help prevent fraud, but which Democrats say disenfranchises people of color — was shut down Monday when Gov. Gavin Newsom signed a bill banning local governments from requiring IDs to cast ballots.

State Sen. Dave Min, a Democrat from Orange County who is running for Congress, maintains that Senate Bill 1174, which he authored, stops cities "from exploiting loopholes in state law that guard against racial bias and other forms of discrimination that often follow ID requirements — particularly with respect to photo IDs.'

"This bill would prohibit local government from enacting or enforcing any charter provision, ordinance, or regulation requiring a person to present identification for the purpose of voting or submitting a ballot at any polling place, vote center, or other location where ballots are cast or submitted," according to the legislation Newsom signed.

No evidence?

Democrats claim that ID laws can make it more difficult for seniors, people of color, young people, and other groups to vote. Undocumented immigrants in California can get driver's licenses per a 2013 law that former Gov. Jerry Brown, a Democrat signed.

Voter ID proponents say requiring proof of identity is a simple safeguard that deters nonresidents and noncitizens from casting ballots.

State residents, regardless of ethnicity and immigration status, are required to show ID to get on airplanes, drive cars, apply for jobs, purchase alcohol and cigarettes, rent or purchase houses and cars, stay in hotels, apply for food stamps, or welfare benefits, and adopt pets, in some cases.

But Min maintains that Republicans have "not produced a single documented case of voter fraud," and that an ID requirement is unnecessary.

"We cannot have 100 different charter cities making up 100 different sets of voting rules, based on fringe conspiracy theories," he said Aug. 30 after State Assemblymembers OK'd the bill on party lines. Min's bill was in response to a measure passed in March by conservative-leaning Huntington Beach voters to show IDs before casting their ballots.

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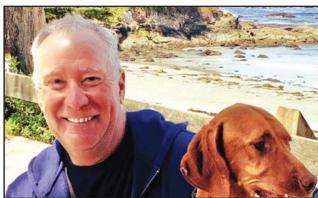
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P.G. to be surveyed on what new police chief should be like

By KELLY NIX

PACIFIC GROVE Police Chief Cathy Madalone will soon no longer be top cop, and the city is already preparing to ask residents and business owners the qualities they'd like to see in her successor.

On Sept. 27, PGPD Chief Cathy Madalone announced she is retiring after five

years at the department. Her notice came after she suffered an undisclosed injury last year that forced her to work from home for many months following a lengthy paid leave of absence.

Though the details are being worked out, city manager Matt Mogensen told The Pine Cone Monday that the city intends to gather feed-

back from citizens about the person who will replace Madalone, whose last day is Oct. 12.

"We are looking at putting out a survey to residents and stakeholders for input on what they value in the next police chief," Mogensen said.

Culture and character

It will take about a week to formulate the survey, but the city manager said the goal is to present it to citizens and business owners in the next couple of weeks. The city has previously offered online surveys.

After the city retains a recruiting company, which will cost taxpayers about \$30,000, the firm will identify potential applicants.

"This will be followed by a screening period by the recruitment professionals to ensure the top candidates only are presented to the city for a series of interviews," Mogensen explained.

Local police chiefs and other law

enforcement experts will be interviewed to "best gauge" if a candidate "is well suited to meet the needs, culture and character of the community," he said.

"As you can appreciate, police chief is one of the most important hires a city can make," Mogensen went on to say. "Ensuring we find the best chief for our community is essential. Conducting the recruit-

> ment in-house only would not gain the same level of interest from high-quality applicants and would limit our ability to concurrently actively recruit for other important positions we are currently seeking to fill."

'Distrust'

He estimates it will take four to six months for the

new chief to start work. Per Pacific Grove's charter, the city manager is responsible for appointing all department heads, including the police chief, subordinate officials and other employees.

Former Pacific Grove Police officer Michael Gonzalez, whom Madalone fired in early 2021 for disparaging the Black Lives Matter political organization in a social media post, wrote a letter to The Pine Cone (see page 42A) this week harshly criticizing what he called Madalone's "lack of transparency" about her on-duty injury. He said her secrecy "deepened the community's distrust."

"At a time when the people of Pacific Grove needed leadership, Chief Madalone hid behind a wall of silence instead of offering clarity and openness," Gonzalez

Before Madalone's brief tenure as chief of police in Pacific Grove, she spent two dozen years in law enforcement in New

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Kaiser facility almost ready to open

By KELLY NIX

Kaiser permanente's new medical office in Salinas is on track to open just after the new year, the company said this week.

The Oakland-based healthcare giant is transforming a 31,000-square-foot former big-box store at 1930 N. Davis Road in Salinas and will start offering its services to Monterey County residents Jan. 2, 2025. Fencing around the building is gone, the Kaiser Permanente signs are up, and the building looks largely completed from the

"We are excited that there is such interest for our services in Monterey County," a Kaiser representative told The Pine Cone Tuesday. "We anticipate construction on the medical office building will be completed at the end of this month, with the site set to open Jan. 2. A celebratory ribbon cutting is being planned for December."

Kaiser, which is affiliated with Watsonville Community Hospital, will offer care to people in more than a dozen zip codes in Monterey County, including in Seaside, Marina, Salinas, Prunedale, Spreckels and Moss Landing, promotional materials indicate.

This new building, which formerly housed a Babies "R" Us retail store, is being converted into a new medical facility for Kaiser Permanente. The clinic is set to open Jan. 2, 2025.

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"Ready to enroll?" its website says. "Visit your employer's intranet site or ask your employer about Kaiser Permanente plan options during this fall's open enrollment. If you have questions about joining Kaiser Permanente, give us a call at (800)

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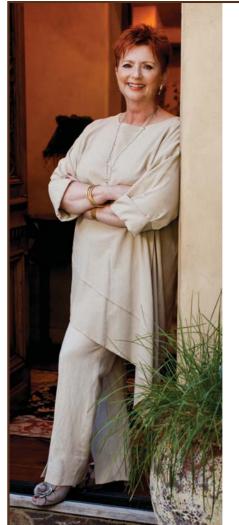
The open enrollment period has begun for public employees and will soon be available to private workers and individuals.

Kaiser promises "better access to affordable, high-quality care," including 'convenient and affordable virtual care."

"The new Kaiser Permanente Salinas Medical Offices will make it easier to get your care needs taken care of in one visit, at a single location, including adult and family medicine, pediatrics, ob-gyn, psychiatry, and behavioral health education," the company says.

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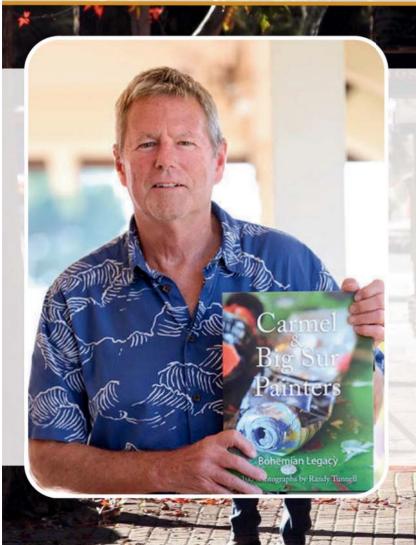
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Popular Marina business must cease operation

By KELLY NIX

A UNIQUE Monterey County business that offers oceanfront tours on railroad handcars is being forced to close, an owner told The Pine Cone Thursday.

ly-owned business that launched in 2021, gives customers a guided 6-mile handcar tour on railroad tracks adjacent to the ocean and Highway 1. The business —

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Marina-based Handcar Tours, a famiwhich co-owner Todd Clark said has been

wildly successful — is the only one of its kind in the world.

But the handcar operation got bad news late last week.

"Handcar Tours is permanently closing," Clark said in a social media post. "Last Friday, we were notified through a notice taped to the door of our handcar station office that the Transportation Agency for Monterey County and the City of Marina will not be renewing our lease."

The letter indicated that the business must cease operating by Oct. 31.

"It is very sad for us," Clark told The Pine Cone Thursday morning. "Where do we go next? We built this fantastic business. Most businesses close for financial reasons, and for us, that is not the case."



This couple enjoys a handcar tour of the Monterey Bay. The business that offers the tours said it has to close Oct. 31.

Make way

At issue is the Transportation Agency for Monterey County's plan to build a \$92 million, 4.3-mile two-lane bus road along a section of the railroad corridor west of Highway 1 between Sand City and Marina. While the California Coastal Commission in September OK'd the project, its approval meant that Handcar Tours would eventually have to leave the area to make way for construction.

"We have a lease to operate on the Monterey Branch Line with the understanding that when the Surf bus project is ready to break ground, we would leave," Clark explained.

While the agreement allowed for a possible extension after the first two years, Clark said "the transportation agency has opted to terminate the lease and not renew it for the next two years."

Transportation agency spokeswoman Theresa Wright said Handcar Tours' use of the rail tracks was granted on a "temporary

basis," and that its board of directors was "very clear" about that when it approved the lease.

Wright said the agency's lease is with the City of Marina and that Handcar Tours subleases from the city and that its lease with Marina expires Oct. 31. She said the agency has allowed the lease to come to an end but won't be renewing it, "since Surf will be starting construction," she said.

"The contract is not being renewed for that reason, and not for what Clark is describing as a removal for his opposition to the Surf project," Wright said.

However, Clark believes that the decision to not renew the lease was made, at least in part, out of spite for his family's opposition to the busway project.

He points to comments made by transportation agency executive director Todd Muck during a June Marina City Council

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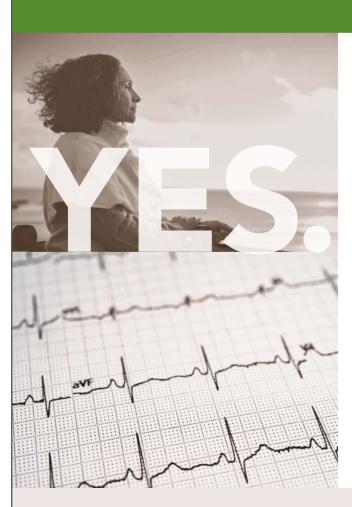


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P.G. council candidates swap views on roundabout, housing

By CHRIS COUNTS

 $F_{\rm IVE}$ OF six candidates for Pacific Grove City Council debated the town's most pressing topics Sept. 17 at Monarch Pines Resort. Those speaking included Luke Coletti, Paul Walkingstick, Tina Rau, Carmelita Garcia and Chaps Poduri. The only candidate absent was Chilla Kartalov.

An incumbent member of the city council, Coletti told the audience he is running for reelection because "I want to continue to preserve the residential character of our community and the quality of life we

"I will represent the interests of residents and neighborhoods, protect our natural environment, pursue affordable housing opportunities, and help our managers and consultants understand the needs and values of our community," Coletti said.

Walkingstick is a longtime resident who has been active in many charitable causes. He said the city needs to prepare for the impacts of climate change and harden its infrastructure. "I believe that protecting our environment protects our future," he

A retiree who moved here seven years ago, Rau also said the town needs to invest in its infrastructure.

"We need to start with sidewalk repair and invest in a recycled-water distribution system and tree preservation," she said. "We need to make sure we have a fund to restore and repair our city assets like Chautauqua Hall — we shouldn't need to have a bake sale to make that happen."

Not 'my first rodeo'

Pacific Grove mayor from 2009 to 2012, Garcia told the audience that "this isn't my first rodeo." She said the town needs to take measures to slow down motorists. "Let's get speed limits reduced

in residential neighborhoods," she said.

Other ideas Garcia is advocating include adopting organic methods of weed abatement and pest control, creating a rental assistance program, establishing a dog park and starting an art and wine festival.

Another councilmember, Poduri said he wants to make Pacific Grove "a welcoming town for all" and to improve the quality of life. "I've supported initiatives that benefit families, businesses and the entire community," he said.

Poduri said he has also helped the city through his role as a board member for Transportation Agency for Monterey County. "I put Pacific Grove on the map and brought in \$5 million in safety improvements to the city," he said.

Roundabout controversy

Candidates were asked if they back building a roundabout at Sunset Drive and Congress Avenue to address safety concerns — at a cost of at least \$8 million to taxpayers. Rau and Poduri support the project.

"It's the safest option," Poduri said. "The city has already received \$5 million in grants.

But Coletti, Walkingstick and Garcia oppose it. "When making a choice between the flow of traffic and child safety, I will always choose child safety," Walkingstick

The candidates were asked if the city council should have five or six members. While the others didn't take a hard stance, Poduri and Rau solidly supported a larger council. "We're better off with more representation," Rau said. "It leads to a better diversity of opinions, which lead to better outcomes.'

The candidates were asked what they

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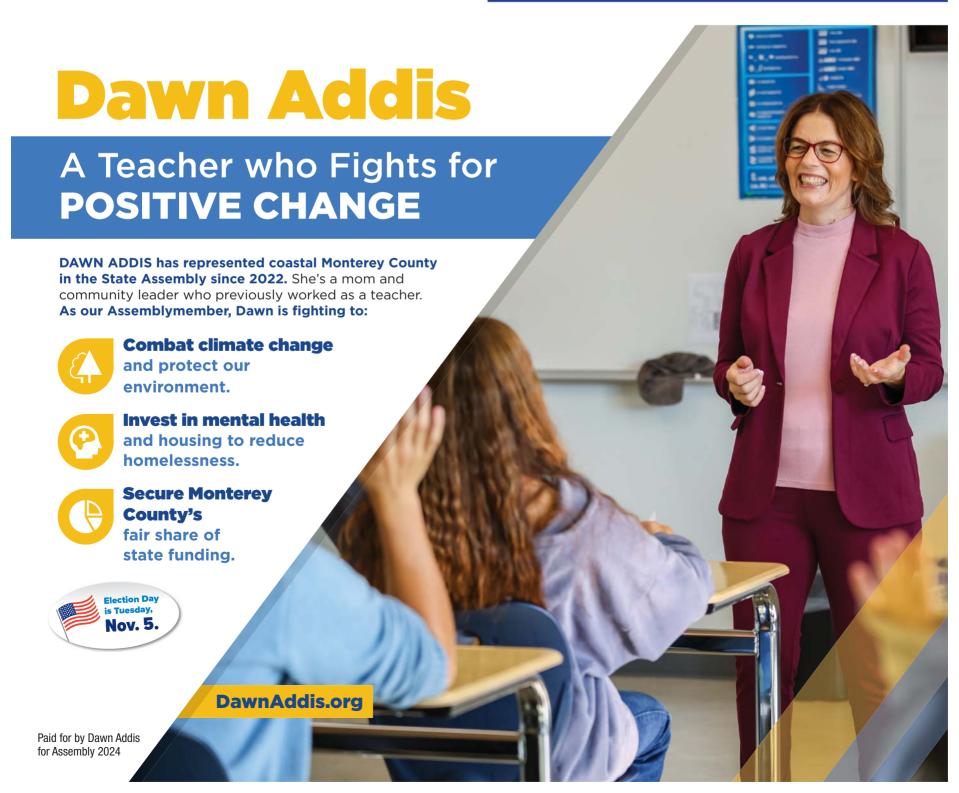
ACCOMPLISHMENTS THE FARMER'S MARKET

In 2008 I was serving on the Pacific Grove Planning Commission. In a discussion with the Mayor at the time, Dan Cort, we agreed that the City should have a Farmer's Market, that everyone talked about it but never did anything. I took that as a challenge. I researched the subject and found that there were ordinances that didn't allow there to be

one. I preeeded to get the ordinances changed and since no one else stepped up I proposed doing the Market, myself, in the parking lot behind the Bank of America building. The Planning Commission turned down the location. The Mayor wanted it on Lighthouse Avenue, but I was against that idea as I knew it would negatively impact the businesses there.

The City Council allowed it to be on Lighthouse Avenue where it lasted about a year before the outcry from businesses got so loud it was moved to its current location where it has thrived. When action needs to be taken, that has positive results, I will back it. When common sense tells me that an idea needs to be better thought out I will take the time to error on the side of reason. On November 5th vote for Common Sense not fly by the seat ideas that cost money while rarely resulting in a good outcome. Projects like the Roundabout will decimate the City's budget. Vote for Common Sense not pie -in-the- sky concepts that will have negative results for decades to come.

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will have records work 24 hours, whereas here they just work during the day," said Johnson. It's a common theme throughout the building, with rooms designed for two outfitted for four and single workstations set up for multiple people.

Slow 911 response

The problems with the public safety hub go beyond cramped cubicles. In Marina's request for bond money, the city cited increased 911 response times as a reason a new fire station is needed. On average, it takes firefighters seven minutes and three seconds to respond to a 911 call from the Hillcrest station or about nine to 10 minutes if they're coming from the substation out at the Marina Airport. The national standard is five minutes.

McCoun said the reason it takes them two minutes too long to respond from Hillcrest is because it's no longer the best location for a fire station. If voters approve the bond, a new station would be built in a more central location. Two consultants conducted studies on behalf of the city and identified a site at the intersection of California Avenue and Marina Heights Drive as the best place, based on

The police department would find a new home, too, although a location has not been identified. The old combo department would not be demolished but repurposed, likely as a parks and recreation department. The new police and fire stations would be built modern standards and would address a litany of failings, starting with a lack

Patrol vehicles and employee cars are parked on the gated lot located at the backside of the building, but it's rented from a neighboring commercial space.

"We have to rent the space, and when he wants to build, we are going to lose that parking," said McCoun. A chainlink fence lines the property, but its security is poor, and two months ago, police officers had to remove a person who jumped the fence.

The parking spaces inside the fire bay are also problematic. They're too small for off-the-shelf engines. "Most fire engines are custom, but we did miss out on some deals,"

Recently the department purchased a \$1.9 million ladder truck, a much needed apparatus, but there is nowhere to park it. The truck is scheduled to arrive in May and will sit under a tent at the airport station. "It's definitely something this community needs, and we need a place to house it," said McCoun.

The new truck stretches up to 104 feet andwould be able to fight fires at locations like the Veterans Affairs Clinic or any of the big-box stores.

Firefighter health and safety

The fire station bay is also lacking an important health and safety feature, a decontamination room. The rooms are standard feature of new fire stations and have showers where firefighters can wash off after returning from a fire. The idea is to prevent contaminants from entering the building where firefighters eat and sleep. "We're not mandated to, but cancer from fires has been proved as a presumptive illness for firefighters," said McCoun.

The showers are on the second floor. Firefighters have to pass through the police department on the ground floor and walk past the shared lunchroom on the second floor before they can fully decontaminate themselves.

Firefighters are not the only ones tromping through the police department. Anytime officers have to bring in an arrestee, the person gets a full tour of what was designed to be a secure area. "They are always handcuffed, but it's not necessarily secure," said Johnson. Long ago, the in-custody entrance to the holding cell was walled off and made into — you guessed it — more office space.

Johnson said a new station would also have a private room for interviews off the lobby, which is all the only space they have now.

"People are coming in and dropping off plans, dropping off packages, getting a permit while we are sitting here interviewing a victim of a crime," said Johnson.

Exactly what a new police station would look like is unknown, and no plans have been drawn up for either the potential police or fire buildings, something critics of the ballot measure have pointed to as a problem. "There is a

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cial spaces near the Target on Gen. Stilwell Drive are filling up, and the city expects to add 3,300 new homes over the next seven

Critics of the bond have also said it is too big. Prior to placing the measure on the ballot, Mayor Bruce Delgado argued in favor of a lower amount, explaining he'd like a \$20 million bond earmarked solely for a new fire station.

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. ACA 1, as it is known, would make it easier for local governments to pass general obligation bonds and special taxes for affordable housing and public infrastructure projects.

starting with the tarp and sandbags covering the roof over city council chambers, keeping the rain out for now.

ton of detail out there, but what they want is fully drawn out architectural designs,

which would be a waste of money," city

portable buildings which are now more

than 40 years old. The tour finished there

with the city manager joining for the last

Plenty of problems to see there too,

Long's office is in city hall, a series of

manager Layne Long responded.

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few minutes.

Long, McCoun and Johnson said the buildings do not give the best first

PacRep's 'Sense' at Forest Theater

By CHRIS COUNTS

Bringing to life Jane Austen's first novel about the promise and perils of finding love in a world ruled by money, a PacRep presentation of "Sense and Sensibility" begins this weekend with a discounted preview Friday at 7:30 p.m. at the outdoor Forest Theater, and the official opening night set for Saturday at the same

Published in 1811, the story by Austin chronicles the fortunes and misfortunes of the Dashwood sisters, Elinor and Marianne, who are left penniless when their father dies in England during the late 18th century.

PacRep calls the play "a timeless story of love and betrayal.

"The sisters will make their way in a swirling world of gossip, heartbreak and the pressure to be perfect, keeping each other afloat with their true devotion,' according to the local theater company.

The play is based on an adaption by contemporary playwright Kate Hamill that "marries the classic novel with modern theatricality, where descriptive narrative is replaced by clever staging to engage the audience's imagination," PacRep said.

Continues through Oct. 20

The play is directed by Kenneth Kelleher, with music composed by David Eakin. The cast includes Anjoli Aguilar, Kristin Brownstone, Jeffrey T. Heyer, Matthew Kropschot, Jennifer Le Blanc, Nick Mandracchia, Caitlin Papp, Sydney Schwindt, Bri Slama, and Michael Ray Wisely.

Tickets are \$43 for general admission, \$33 for seniors, \$23 for teachers and active military, and \$16 for students.

The play continues on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays through Oct. 19. All shows start at 7:30 p.m. The Forest Theater is located at Santa Rita and Mountain View. For tickets or more details, call (831) 622-0100 or visit pacrep.org.

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"Together, the community, parents and students can expect a team of highly qualified and collaborative leaders and accomplished professionals with a singular goal: improving the educational experience for every student in the district."

Who they are

Patel served on the CUSD board from 2011 to 2019 and was a president and vice president of the parent-teacher association for five years prior. An owner of several pharmacies in the state, Patel has four children who attended district schools and has served on the boards of the local Make-A-Wish Foundation and the Carmel Public Library Foundation.

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She has frequently appeared at board meetings in the past couple of years and recently argued that the district should undertake a broader effort to find a replacement for former superintendent Ted Knight instead of appointing Sharon Ofek to the post. She also said the new superintendent is paid too much.

Tavakoli has two kids in CUSD and is an active parent -teacher organization board member. "With a background in engineering, law and business, Monica will bring analytical and problem-solving skills to simplify complex issues and find practical, common-ground solutions," the slate said. Tavakoli lives on Upper Trail in Carmel.

And Witten, a managing partner at the Hudson Martin law firm, lives in the Carmel Highlands, has freshman twins at Carmel High and "serves on many local nonprofit boards, including CASA of Monterey County, Sun Street Centers and Protect Monterey Bay."

"Running as a slate allows Patel, Tavakoli and Witten to present voters with a cohesive vision and aligned goals for the district," their announcement said. "The time is now for effective leadership" that will "restore academic excellence and support diverse vocational pathways for every student, rebuild a safe environment for students and staff, and stop large wasteful budgetary expenditures."

They promise voters their collaboration will ensure "that decisions are made with the best interests of students and families in mind," and said endorsing each other means a "pledge to bring efficient decision-making, greater accountability and a broader range of expertise to the CUSD board."

Unions back others

The Association of Carmel Teachers, which has 201 members, representing 98 percent of the district's faculty, chose to endorse four candidates in the election, none of whom are part of the "One Unified Candidate Slate."

Representing the teachers' association, Holly Lederle told The Pine Cone Wednesday that the group backs Molly Bozzo for the Carmel/Pebble Beach trustee area, Big Sur resident Matt Glazer in Trustee Area 3, Remynse in the race against Rosen in Carmel Valley, and Jake Odello for the at-large board seat.

The association's endorsement committee included a teacher from each district campus, and the group evaluated candidates based on "their position on and vision for CUSD," "their historical support and involvement in education, students and educators, including education funding, budget stability, safe schools and campuses for all students," "their historical support for collective bargaining and educator professional rights," and "their viability for success in the office that they are seeking." Committee members sought feedback from the union and written comments from the candidates and then followed up with online interviews before making their choices.

Bozzo is a 16-year Stevenson School employee who served as head of the Carmel lower-school campus for 14 years and was appointed July 1 to the new "chief culture officer" position Stevenson created "to strengthen our community and foster a unified school identity." Lederle said she was chosen for her "forward-thinking approach to Carmel Unified," and that the committee found her "outsider vision, while still very much coming from schools and understanding the issues that are really important in the classroom right now, really refreshing."

She told the committee among her top priorities are "building and maintaining strong relationships with the unions," and "fostering a collaborative environment to help ensure that teachers and staff feel valued and supported in

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their roles."

Glazer, who runs Deetjen's down the coast, was chosen because he is "really active in the parent community and a very vocal and approachable part of the Big Sur community," Lederle said. She noted Glazer has been the voice of Big Sur residents at board meetings "for quite some time" and is also a member of the PTA. He told the committee his priorities if elected include "student safety and strategic planning."

On Remynse, she said, "We found him to be really proactive" and noted his "really wanting to learn and being honest about where he wanted to grow."

"He's also been really visible and active," she said. "He's very active as a board member."

Remynse told the committee his

priorities include "a strong governance team, equity in education and updating facilities," potentially via another bond

Odello, who has run for office before and is a member of the faculty at Hartnell College in Salinas, is part of the union there and "is familiar with how collective bargaining works, which is important to our membership," Lederle said. "He has an interesting and different vision," for education and the district.

Odello told the committee he "would prioritize supporting, diversifying and expanding both career pathways and internships/externships," she said.

The union representing other district employees, the local chapter of the California School Employees Association, endorsed the same four candidates, according to Remynse, but representative Lisa Brazil did not respond to an inquiry from The Pine Cone.

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Agency and former longtime Carmel city attorney Don Freeman have held offices, contains four commercial units, including one that's available for rent with water credits and opportunities for storage and parking, according to Pastor's local company, Esperanza Carmel. The company also said the planning department has OK'd converting the rear building from commercial to residential use, including a rooftop terrace.

Mahoney & Associates owner/partner Josh Jones represented Minnich in the sale of the building, which was designed by architect Alan Turpen as a commercial office building in the late 1970s. Turpen remains one of its tenants.

"Kristin Minnich acquired the building in 2022 with the vision of creating a mixed-use property with residential in the rear of the property and keeping the storefront commercial," Jones said. "With the assistance of WRD Architects, Kristin converted a portion of the second floor into a luxury residential unit. It was a pleasure to represent Kristin in the sale of the San Carlos Professional Building."

No changes planned

Up the street across from the Hog's Breath — which is located in the Eastwood Building complex Pastor bought in late 2020 for \$11.2 million — San Carlos Square contains two mixed-use buildings containing 10 retail units and three newly renovated luxury apartments. When it was listed for sale in February, the asking price for the nearly 7,900-square-foot lot and its buildings was \$7,595,000. "We agree with Tim Allen's marketing details — this is an outstanding investment in one of the most beautiful places on earth," Pastor told The Pine Cone this week.

Esperanza Carmel's managing director, Chris Mitchell, said no changes are planned for San Carlos Square.

"We are not looking to do anything groundbreaking with this property other than to maintain the wonderful tenant mix created by the previous owner, lease the apartments upstairs as long-term rentals and address some smaller outstanding maintenance issues, including upgrading the existing signage at the front of the property," he said.

According to Esperanza Carmel, the seller, Mark Lye, said his family has owned the complex since the early 1970s and was "pleased to have been able to come to an agreement to sell the property to them, knowing their commitment to protecting Carmel and its unique charm and character."

And Mitchell said Stationaery

Restaurant owner Anthony Carnazzo is pleased, as well. "With the purchase of the San Carlos Square, where we have our restaurant, we were hoping for an attentive owner who was eager to offer their support so that our business could continue to thrive," Mitchell quoted Carnazzo as saying. "While their management is brand new, we have found Esperanza Carmel to be eager to hear our concerns and active in addressing outstanding issues with the property. We feel that we are off to a good start and are optimistic about our relationship moving forward."

Mitchell observed that Pastor's recent acquisitions "represent our aspirations for investing in Carmel — to purchase beautiful, well-located buildings which add to Carmel's unique architectural charm."

While San Carlos Square is a small shopping area with retail and service businesses anchored by a beloved restaurant and offers three long-term rentals, he observed, the professional building represents "another secure real estate investment with the added opportunity of being able to create two new apartments for long-term rental, converting the commercial building at the rear."

Pastor, who has two major projects in the works, one at Dolores and Seventh and the other at Dolores and Fifth, that include several apartments each, acknowledged the shortage of housing here.

More apartments

"We know the community badly needs more apartments, and Esperanza Carmel is dedicated to investing in Carmel in a way that is positive for the community," he said. "I am thrilled that these investments will allow us to provide the community with more apartments."

Pastor said the city approved plans for a one-bedroom apartment and a three-bedroom duplex in the professional building, and he's committed to restoring and preserving the commercial spaces' dark wood façade, "as this feature in particular

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to make way for a pool and pool house. In February 2023, he bought the landmark historic Frank Lloyd Wright house, Cabin on the Rocks, at the south end of Carmel Beach for \$22 million.

him of "quietly" buying up property here and who have questioned his motives, Pastor said he hopes "there is no misunderstanding" regarding his latest acquisitions. "I am simply looking to continue with

my target to invest in this town that I love," he said. "These two new buildings are an excellent example of the type of properties which make Carmel so special.'

Addressing those who have accused

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deserves to be protected."

A decade of buying

Pastor began purchasing property in Carmel in 2015 with his first home on Scenic Road. He subsequently bought two others just south of it and demolished one

Esperanza Carmel's other holdings here include the former Colonial Terrace Inn, which was renovated and reopened as the Carmel Beach Hotel in summer 2023, the L'Auberge Carmel building, the complex that contains the Forge in the Forest restaurant at Junipero and Fifth, three commercial properties on Dolores Street, one on Ocean between Dolores and Lincoln, the Eastwood Building and adjacent property on San Carlos, the Wagner building on Lincoln, an office and apartment on Seventh Avenue, and Rocky Point down the coast. Rocky Point is the only property he's bought outside the city limits so far.

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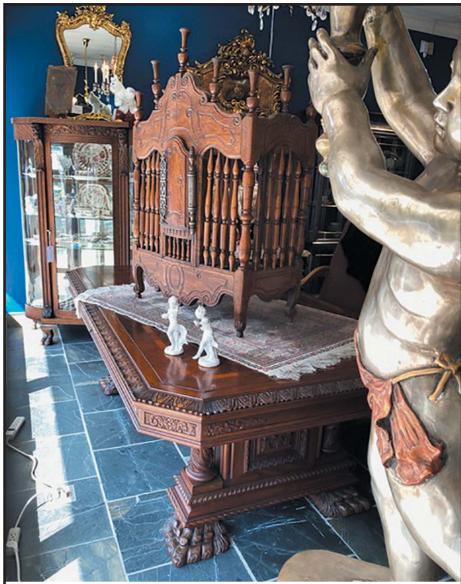
Shelby Elena Wilson and Kenny Kai Ho were married September 7, 2024, at Sunset Cultural Center. The bride is the daughter of Holly and Tom Wilson of Carmel and a 1996 graduate of Carmel High School; her father also attended Sunset School in the 1950s. The bridegroom is the son of Janet and Herbert Ho of Taipei, Taiwan. The couple lives in Seattle.

The ceremony was held in the beautiful lobby named after Bill and Nancy Doolittle, longtime family friends, and officiated by the couple's close friend, Beth Tinker of Seattle. The wedding party included Carolyn Green of San Jose, Jessica Flaxman of Novato, Quincy Yaley of Sonora, Cody Mast of North Bend, WA, Bob Chang of Chino Hills, CA, and Kevin Burke of Houston, TX. Mark and Nikki Daniel of Fox Island, WA provided an inspirational reading. The flower girl was Eliza Trimble of Seattle.

After the ceremony, guests enjoyed original music by River Voices, followed by dinner, dancing and Marianne's ice cream. The centerpieces were created by friends using succulents from Antonia Fernandez of Hernandez Nursery in Watsonville and the Hacienda Carmel Garden Club. In lieu of gifts, the couple suggested donations to the Big Sur Land Trust.

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Big Sur institution's legacy started with a slice of home-baked apple pie

By CHRIS COUNTS

WHEN THE Big Sur River Inn celebrates its 90th birthday Sunday afternoon, it owes a debt of gratitude to a granddaughter of pioneers, Ellen Brown, who baked the inn's first apple pie — which in turn gave the future resort the first of its three names.

Brown's grandparents were Michael and Barbara Pfeiffer, who are credited with being the first permanent American settlers in Big Sur. They established a homestead near Pfeiffer Beach in 1869.

Her father, John — who later sold the land that became Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park — owned the property where the inn

would one day be located. At the time, Highway 1 was known as the Coast Road, and it was unpaved. Brown was living there when she served her first apple pie in 1934. Lodging units were built a short time later, and soon, Big Sur had its first resort, the Apple Pie Inn.

A big hit with locals

Brown's pies were a big hit with locals and the growing number of tourists trickling into Big Sur at the time.

When she left Big Sur in 1937, her mom, Florence, took over the inn and added gas pumps, along with renaming it Redwood Camp.

In 1943, Florence's other daughter,

Esther Pfeiffer Ewoldsen, and her husband, Hans Ewoldsen, took over the inn. They gave it a new name and a makeover. "The place was renamed 'The River Inn' in hopes of keeping the river out, because in those days, the river often rose up during the winter storms to the level of the dining room door," Esther once explained.

'The business

has grown but

hasn't changed

too much.'

At the time, Big Sur's post office was located where the River Inn's office is today, and Esther was postmaster. Highway 1, meanwhile, was payed, but tourist traffic was relatively slow. One day, Hans conducted an informal traffic survey.

"Seven went by," he reported, "and every one stopped for gas." Encouraged by the sliver of good

news, Hans had the dining room updated and added six rooms and a general store.

As Big Sur's popularity as a tourist destination increased during the post-World War II era, the inn became a popular summertime destination for visitors, who began placing wooden lounge chairs in the river, starting a tradition at the resort.

Along with partners, the Perlmutter family bought the River Inn in 1988 and made extensive improvements. The family

still owns the inn and still serves apple pie made from the same recipe Brown used in 1934.

Happy memories, special times

Taking over as general manager of the River Inn at the beginning of the year, Colin Twohig told The Pine Cone that the resort is honored to have served locals and

visitors for nine decades.

"The River Inn has always placed a special focus on serving this strong community that we love so much," Twohig said. "We are also celebrating the families that have shared happy memories and special times with us over the years."

While Twohig is looking forward to the inn's evolu-

tion over the coming decades, he said its management is committed to preserving what's made it so special, and honoring its role in Big Sur's colorful history.

"The business has grown but hasn't changed too much," he added. "We embrace our history, and our nostalgic aesthetic, as we work to bring the business into the future. We won't turn our backs on

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Transient pleads not guilty to threats

By KELLY NIX

A HOMELESS man who prosecutors say trespassed at Pacific Grove High School last week and threatened to kill a teacher pleaded not guilty in court and remains behind bars.

The Monterey County District Attorney's Office and Pacific Grove Police say Todd Daniel Fields, 37, went onto school grounds on Sept. 23 without permission. When P.G. High math teacher Joseph D'Amico confronted Fields, the Lancaster man said he would shoot him. He was arrested less than 10 minutes later.

Fields "did willfully and unlawfully threaten to commit a crime which would result in the death and great bodily injury to Joseph D'Amico," according to the threepage criminal complaint filed by deputy district attorney Meredith Sillman. "It is further alleged that D'Amico was reasonably in sustained fear of his safety and the safety of his immediate family."

Police say Fields is a transient.

In a court hearing in Salinas last week, Fields, represented by Monterey County deputy public defender Danny Kutter, pleaded not guilty to making the threat and to giving police a fake name and failing to register before entering the high school campus, both misdemeanors. Superior Court Judge Stephanie Hulsey presided over the hearing.

His is still being held in Monterey County Jail. Bail has been set at \$30,000.

It's not clear why Fields went to P.G High and whether he planned the visit or happened to come across the school.

Less than one year ago, Riley Elvin, 29, walked onto the P.G. High campus and, when confronted by the former vice principal, threatened to kill him. Elvin pleaded guilty to trespassing with threats of serious bodily injury, a felony, and will be sentenced Oct. 9.

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zones and four are for disabled parking.

While AB 413 calls for eliminating parking near crosswalks, it allows those spaces to be converted into 20-minute commercial loading zones or bicycle/scooter parking. Taking advantage of that, Tomasi came up with a plan to reduce the number of green zones to 42 and add 31 commercial loading zones and eight bicycle/scooter spaces. While 30 red zones would be painted at the busiest intersections along Ocean Avenue and at some other heavily trafficked spots, 687 two-hour spots will be retained

Stopping double parking

The law also affects several areas outside the central commercial district, and Tomasi listed plans for dealing with those, too. Commercial loading zones would replace some of the spaces at the intersections of Mission and Fourth, San Carlos and Fourth, San Carlos and Ninth, Dolores and Ninth, Camino Real and Eighth, and Carmelo and Eighth. A total of five red zones will be painted in the median at Junipero and Fourth, at the southeast corner of San Carlos and 12th, and on the northeast corners of Casanova and Eighth, San Antonio and Eighth, and Camino Real and Seventh.

"We have a lot of commercial vehicles that are double parking, and they block the entire lane of traffic," Tomasi said, and while a city law states they can only do so on the north and east sides of the street, other drivers often double park wherever they want to drop off items or people, creating traffic messes and safety problems.

"We're hoping that by adding these loading zones, we can get some of this double parking taken care of," he said.

Councilwoman Karen Ferlito commented that pedestrian deaths are up nationwide and said she has long been concerned about the safety of people walking downtown, especially as cars have gotten larger and heavier.

"I think the Daylighting Law came as a result of some pretty dismal reports about traffic deaths," she said.

Councilwoman Alissandra Dramov thanked Tomasi for his work on the plan, as did councilman Jeff Baron, though he worried drivers won't understand how to use the loading zones and cyclists won't take advantage of bike parking if it's not conveniently located.

All of the changes Tomasi recommended must be outlined in an ordinance, and with the council's consensus, he said he will return with a draft in November. If approved then and adopted in December, the ordinance would take effect in January, when the law becomes enforceable.



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"The helicopter focused the search along the shore and was able to locate the subject on a rocky beach," the report continued. "The helicopter landed on a sandy access point approximately 200 yards north of her location, and the flight officer was able to assist her onto the helicopter."

According to the rescuers, the woman was injured in a fall and unable to climb back up the route that led her to the beach. "The female sustained moderate injuries and was treated at an area hospital," the Monterey County Sheriff's office said.

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By MARY SCHLEY

STORM-DAMAGED SECTIONS of the 700-foot-long San Antonio footpath that was built in collaboration with the Pebble Beach Co. 14 years ago are slated to finally be repaired, thanks to a \$503,470 contract approved by the Carmel City Council Tuesday night.

During winter rains in early 2023, much of the pathway eroded, and its grape-stake fencing separated from the edge sagged into the properties below the roadway. A year later, the city hired a structural engineering firm to develop plans to repair it.

"The design process revealed that the original construction was deficient in that while the original buried concrete piers were fine," the posts and other infrastructure supporting the fence weren't properly connected to the piers, public works director Bob Harary wrote in his Sept. 10 report for the council, so stormwater running on the west edge of the path rotted away the wood and undermined the fencing.

"It was doomed to failure," he told the council. "It certainly did. It was caused by water, not wind or anything else."

When the original project was in the works in 2009, the Pebble Beach Co. was the lead and hired Graniterock Pavex to install the path, which the city and the company decided should be completed in time for the 2010 U.S. Open so people could walk from town to the tournament entrance near the Carmel gate. The path was part of an overall effort to connect walkers in Carmel with the network of trails in Del Monte Forest, and the city and the company shared the costs of building it.

Complex fix

Three companies submitted bids Aug. 29 to undertake the necessary repairs, according to Harary's report, with Carmel-based Sharp Engineering and Construction coming in lowest, at \$437,800, a bit below the city's estimate. Tyman Construction came in next with \$490,000, while Don Chapin Co.'s bid was markedly higher, at \$739,000.

Because the project includes a lot of underground work that could reveal even more problems, he recommended adding a 15 percent contingency, bringing the Sharp

contract total to \$503,470.

The work calls for repairing 44 concrete piers, adding steel-reinforced caps to support new steel column posts, and replacing all of the woodwork and the grape-stake fence, as well as restoring the pathway itself. Some city trees and vegetation might

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have to be removed and replaced.

"This repair will last decades," Harary promised.

The project will be done in two phases, first on the south end and then at the north end, while the undamaged

middle section will remain unchanged. Because the work will require closure of the southbound lane, northbound traffic will be unaffected, but drivers heading into town will be detoured up Second, south on Camino Real and back down on Fourth.

Councilwoman Karen Ferlito asked if the city reached out to the P.B. Co. to see if it would share in the costs and was told no one had inquired.

The council unanimously approved the contract.

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the special history and nostalgic feel that the River Inn has. We will always be a place for people to gather and enjoy the present while embracing the past."

Sunday's celebration will feature a reunion of the Dixieland jazz ensemble, the Abalone Stompers, a BBQ buffet, face painting, games for kids, and free pool passes. The resort is located at 46800 Highway 1.

The Big Sur River Inn's Homesteader Apple Pie

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Apple Pie Filling

1/4 cup sugar

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Crumb Topping

1 1/2 cup quick (not instant) oats

1/4 cup brown sugar

1/4 cup white sugar

1 tablespoon softened butter

1/3 cup all-purpose flour Pinch kosher salt

Trusty Pie Crust

1 cup all-purpose flour 1 teaspoon baking powder Pinch kosher salt

1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter, softened Splash of apple cider vinegar

Preheat the oven to 300 degrees.

Mix dough, filling and topping separately and assemble. Build pie mounded 2 to 3 inches above pie pan. Bake for 1 hour.

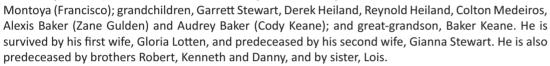
JAMES ALAN STEWART

James Alan Stewart, Jim, a long-time resident of Carmel Valley, entered this world on March 15, 1935, and passed away in Monterey on August 22, 2024, at the age of 89. He was born in Quapaw, Oklahoma to Alma and Orville Stewart, and in 1936, like many others during the Dust Bowl, traveled to California along Route 66, seeking a better life in the West. He grew up in Seaside and attended Monterey High where he excelled as an athlete in baseball, basketball and football. He continued his athletic pursuits

by playing football for Monterey Peninsula College, the U.S. Army where he was also a gunnery sergeant, semi-pro with Santa Cruz Sea Hawks and San Jose State. After this time, he became an officer for the Palo Alto Police Department.

Jim returned to the Monterey Peninsula in 1961 to begin his 43-year career as a successful State Farm Insurance Agent. Jim looked forward to rounds of golf, relished trout fishing, and loved sharing his home and meals with family and friends. His greatest joy was in providing a life for his children that included a beautiful home, family vacations, and educational opportunities, all of which were beyond what he had as a child.

Jim will be missed by his brother, Ron (Margie) Stewart; his four children, Camille Stewart (Steve Davis), Tamara (Heiland, Medeiros) Stewart, Mark Stewart and Monica (Stewart Baker)



The family would like to extend their gratitude to the spectacular caretakers in Garden House at Merrill Gardens for their years of compassionate care, and to the nursing staff at CHOMP for their outstanding attention to Jim during his final days.

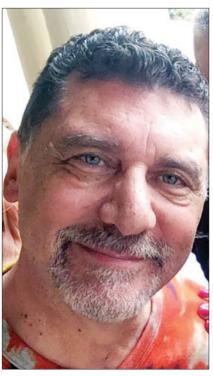
A private gathering to honor Jim will take place in the upcoming months.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Alzheimer's Association, St. Dunstan's Foundation, Montage Health Foundation, or a charity of your choice.

SAL ABAUNZA

It is with deep love and heavy hearts that we share the passing of Sal Abaunza, who left us on September 18, 2024. Born lin New Orleans, LA in 1956, his family moved to San Francisco in 1963, where Sal blossomed, especially in the arts, showcasing a remarkable talent that led him to graduate from San Francisco State with a degree in set design.

Sal's passion for color, style, and fashion was evident early on; he worked in retail throughout college at Causal Air and after graduating he worked for Joseph Magnin. It was clear Sal had an eye for fashion and always showed his own personal style, regardless of the event.



As the retail landscape shifted, Sal sought a new path where he could continue to express his creativity and desire to connect with people. He found that opportunity in the hospitality industry. Guided by his father's suggestion, Sal interviewed at the brand new Crowne Plaza in Burlingame, uniquely dressed in a suit among a sea of applicants, and was hired immediately as a guest service agent. It was there that he met the love of his life, Marion.

Sal thrived in every role he undertook, quickly advancing into management. His integrity and keen eye for detail, and commitment to excellence cultivated a vast professional network and created many loyal friends within the hospitality industry. Over a distinguished 35-year career, he held management positions at renowned establishments, including the Highlands Inn in Carmel, Mark Hopkins in San Francisco, the Claremont in Berkeley, and was general manager at the following properties, starting with The Prescott Hotel in San Francisco; Ventana Inn, Big Sur; Mandarin Oriental Hotel, San Francisco; L'Ermitage in Beverly Hills; Huntington Hotel in San Francisco; and finally back to Carmel at The Tides. Sal was not only a leader but a mentor who inspired others to follow in his footsteps, nurturing countless careers within the industry.

Beyond his professional achievements, Sal cherished time spent with family and friends. He loved hosting gatherings at his home, consisting of board games, delicious food, and wonderful conversations that always included lots of laughter. Where he shined would always consist of anything to do with movie trivia and facts about celebrities and Hollywood.

Sal is survived by his beloved wife of 33 years, Marion; his cherished cat, Blanche; his sister, Carmen; his brother, Al; and his treasured nieces and nephews, Sarah, Elizabeth, Karla, Kevin and his sister-in-law, Maja. He held a special place in his heart for his sister-in-law, Susan "Skipper," brother-in-law, Dan, and their children, Logan and Terra —family to whom he felt a deep connection throughout his life.

Though Sal departed this world far too soon, his presence will be profoundly missed, especially at family gatherings that he loved so dearly. We take comfort in knowing he has been reunited with his parents and his beloved "Mami" in heaven.

In honor of Sal's remarkable life, we will be sharing details about a Celebration of His Life soon. Let us come together to remember and cherish our memories of a truly extraordinary man.

ANTHONY DON CHAVIS, MD

Tony ended his earthly pilgrimage on September 12, 2024, after turning 65 years old, following a 20-month battle with a rare muscle cancer. Tony bravely fought the cancer before finally succumbing to the tumors in both lungs.

Tony was born in Price, Utah, a small coal mining community. Tony's father, Don Chavis, passed just short of Tony's 6th birthday. Tony was raised with his three siblings by his mother, Mary Halamandaris Chavis. They were a family of very humble means but great love. Through Mary's example, she instilled in Tony a strong sense of hard work, responsibility, fortitude and integrity.

Before his long healthcare career, Tony began working at age 12 in construction and masonry, as a grocery store worker, a Utah Power and Light line crewman, and had the great honor of cleaning recreation area toilets for the US BLM. Tony began his career in health care at age 16 as a radiology department darkroom technician. Tony followed a path in healthcare while working his way through college. Tony received a bachelor's degree in molecular biology from the University of Utah, a master's degree in medical management from Tulane University, and a doctorate degree in medicine (MD) from Creighton University. Tony was internal medicine residency trained at LDS Hospital in Salt Lake City, UT, and fellowship trained in pulmonary and critical care medicine at University of Michigan.

In the 42 years Tony spent in healthcare, he served as a phlebotomist, medical entomologist and parasitologist, research microbiologist, and EMT(A) before becoming a physician. As a physician, he served as a pulmonary and critical care physician and consultant, and an air ambulance service flight physician. In the last decades of his career, he practiced administrative medicine and serviced as a vice president in multiple health systems, hospitals, physician groups and provider-owned health insurance companies, concluding his career serving nearly 20 years at Montage Health/Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula. His achievements were based on developing and improving programs and outcomes related to quality, safety, infection control, performance improvement, population health, education and leadership development, physician recruitment and leadership, facility development, information management, insurance program development and leadership of many areas of the complex care team. He also served in an advocacy role for the California and American Hospital Associations.

No matter what role he was playing, his true north star was simple, his vocation was devoted to the mercy of caring for the sick. Tony would tell people that his personal mission statement was to, "Make the world a better place for all mankind to live through better healthcare." People who didn't know him would occasionally laugh — until they realized he was sincere.

Tony met Laura Fullem-Chavis, the love of his life, 24 years ago. Tony would say she was "the greatest blessing God could have ever given to me." Tony was baptized Greek Orthodox but was distant from the church. However, he always talked to, sought the counsel of, and felt God's presence in his life. He became Catholic

prior to his marriage to Laura, and Laura was instrumental in the development of Tony's faith. As the last vestige of the Greek Orthodox religion, Tony continued to make the sign of the cross backwards three times in the "Orthodox" way in memory of his mother and grandparents. Throughout his cancer journey, he would say "God's will be done" and carry with him a small wooden cross that was a gift from Jerusalem in his hand or pocket.

In choosing your purpose in life, Steven Covey advocated for asking yourself the following question, "What would you want to be said about you in the funeral experience." Tony wrote, "As I meet Jesus and he opens my book of life and He will smile and say, 'You served my children well'."

He is deeply missed by his wife Laura Fullem-Chavis; his sisters, Pamela Brady and Denise Bruno (Kevin); and his brother, Lewis Dickman (Jyl).

Tony Chavis Graveside Interment of Ashes

Noon-12:45 p.m. Monday, October 7, 2024 San Carlos Cemetery, Monterey, CA

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made these non-profits:

Everybody Counts Cancer Patient Endowment Fund, originated by Tony's former colleague and brother-in-caring, Tim Nylen (deceased), provides cancer-related services and support for the Monterey County community www.montagehealth.org/TimNylenFund

St. Clare's Montessori School, Incline Village www.saintclarestahoe.com/donate a newer Catholic school at St. Francis of Assisi Church

Everybody Counts





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CAMERAS

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and their license plates, including number and issuing state, date, time, location, and vehicle details like type and color. Unlike its predecessor, it alerts police within seconds when it identifies a stolen or wanted vehicle by automatically running the numbers through crime databases. The data are stored in the cloud managed by Amazon Web Services and are deleted 30 days later, and the contract states that the information belongs to the city, not Flock.

Still going

But a few months later, due to public outcry regarding the cameras' aesthetics, locations, privacy issues and other concerns, the council decided to halt the rollout and seek more feedback.

Several cameras that were already up and running have continued to do so, however, and have proved useful on numerous occasions, including recently helping to locate stolen cars.

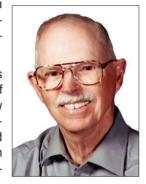
Flock systems are used in more than 4,000 jurisdictions across 42 states, according to Carmel P.D., including in Pacific Grove, Salinas, Marina, Seaside, Sand City, Monterey and throughout unincorporated Monterey County.

GENE ALAN BARNES, PhD 1935 — 2023

Dr. Gene Alan Barnes was a contemplative man of action. Throughout his years, he was deeply engaged in many fields: scientific, political, athletic and creative.

Gene made a career in astrophysics then devoted himself to philosophy in retirement.

Barnes studied physics at California Institute of Technology, University of Illinois, and the University of Oregon. He did research at NASA, and in the airline and tech industries. He was a Pro-



fessor of Physics and Astronomy at California University at Sacramento for almost 30 years. Dr. Barnes funded scholarships for physics students at Sacramento State.

Gene was an active member of several communities; he sat on boards of the Pacific Grove Natural History Museum, and the United Nations Association, serving as Treasurer of the Monterey chapter. Barnes was a generous donor: national parks, the Sierra Club, universities, and museums all enjoyed his support. Gene was an activist for environmental causes, advocating for sensible water and power policies in California. *Le Six*, a group of three Monterey Peninsula couples, met for a quarter century to share poetry and discuss art.

Gene wrote short stories, essays, and poetry — about his travels to Stonehenge, hiking in the Sierra, and an eclipse expedition in China. Gene published a philosophical conversation with Aquinas, Descartes, Sartre, Socrates, and Buddha debating their ideas in What Then Is Truth? With his wife Susan D. Rautine, he wrote a dialog of marriage and gender in Being Together.

From the time he was 12, when his father gifted him a tennis racquet, Gene gathered trophies in all ranks. He continued to play competitively into his 80s.

He was a stargazer, chasing total solar eclipses around the world with Monterey Institute for Research in Astronomy, to which Gene donated his 8" telescope. Astrophotography was one of many passions, including: fossil collecting, watercolor painting, sculpting, and building a room-sized N-scale railroad diorama.

Hugh Donald Barnes and Mary Donan Boellner brought 2-year-old Gene Alan Barnes and his elder brother Roger Don Barnes from Topeka to Los Angeles. Upon retirement, Monterey became his long-time hometown.

Surviving Gene are his wife Susan Dorothea Rautine, daughter Laurie Barnes Harley (Don) and son Will Alan Barnes, stepson Benton Bainbridge and stepdaughter Rachel Bainbridge Steinberg (Robert), granddaughters Ilana Sheats and Liona Barnes, grandsons Coda Barnes and Ezra Eban Bainbridge-Powers, and great grandson Owen Sheats, and his first wife Carole Wolf Barnes.

Gene was grateful for family and friends who helped him in later years. He was a cheerful man whose main aim was to help others.



Cameras similar to this have been installed on several Carmel streets. Their appearance and other topics will be discussed at two meetings this month.

Jurisdictions using Flock can share information to help each other track down criminal suspects. On Sept. 23, a King City gang member pleaded guilty to first-degree murder for shooting two people in December 2021. Police were able to find him and his co-conspirators because cameras captured their vehicle's license plate number, according to law enforcement.

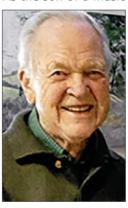
The committee meetings will be held in Carmel City Hall and online Oct. 8 at 4 p.m. and Oct. 24 at 1 p.m., Richards announced Oct. 1. The agenda and other information will be available at ci.carmel.ca.us.

MAX W. YEAMAN, M.D.

Nov. 24, 1932 - Aug. 24, 2024

Max W. Yeaman, 91, of Carmel Valley, California, passed away on August 24, 2024. He was a devoted husband, a loving father and grandfather, and a kind-hearted friend, and he will be missed dearly.

Max spent his childhood in Utah and California. As the son of a music teacher, he was taught



the value of diligence and a good education. He graduated from Vallejo High School in 1950 and from the University of California at Berkeley in 1954 with a bachelor of science in zoology. He served as a 1st lieutenant in the U.S. Army in Germany from 1954 to 1956 before returning to the

U.S. to attend medical school at George Washington University in Washington, D.C. He completed his medical training in California and ran a successful urology practice in San Leandro, CA, from 1965to 1998, serving terms as president of the medical staffs at both San Leandro Memorial Hospital and Doctors' Hospital of San Leandro. Max and his wife of 44 years, Barbara, spent their retirement in Carmel Valley, hosting friends and family frequently.

Max enjoyed a life-long love of music, particularly piano performance and composition. He also was an avid reader of non-fiction, educating himself in his favorite topics of history, evolution and theology. He loved travel, sports, hiking and nature. He was a docent at Garland Ranch in the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District and at Point Sur Lighthouse. He is also a Lifetime Member of the International Club of Carmel. He will be remembered as a generous and loving Papa to his grandchildren, introducing them to Yellowstone National Park and taking them on regular outings to the local park and coffee house.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara (Boyd), in 2008; and his brother, Harold, in 2003.

Max is survived by his four children: Bradley (Deborah) Yeaman, Valerie Yeaman, Rachel (Clay) Ross and Evan (Nicole) Yeaman; eight grandchildren: Natalie, Philip, Dhandara, Isabela, Whitney, Braydon, Ryan and Emma; four great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, JoAnne Yeaman; brother-in-law, Robert Boyd; and his first wife, Cynthia Bradford.

Donations can be made to your favorite charity, school, or to the Sierra Club.

HANDCAR

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meeting. Mayor Bruce Delgado asked Muck if his agency would support an extension of Handcar Tours' lease.

"I have seen that the handcar folks have actively opposed and tried to delay and stop the Surf project," Muck responded. "So, my recommendation to the board would be to not extend their contract."

'Now they stop'

Furthermore, Clark said that the Surf bus road project "is not coming now, not next year, the year after, or maybe never. Our opposition to the project is why we are being removed."

The family, he said, spent about \$150,000 in permits and railroad track upgrades to allow Handcar Tours to happen. Clark intends to defy the Oct. 31 closure deadline to allow his company to fulfill its services to 150 to 200 customers who have paid for tours but not been able to take them. He plans to close Thanksgiving weekend.

He said Handcar Tours has given tourists a reason to stop in Marina, a city that has largely been left out of the Peninsula's robust tourism business.

"People used to pass through Marina to get to Monterey," he said. "Now they stop."

Wright said that the agency is open to considering a proposal from the outfit to relocate "their operations further north where they won't be in conflict with" the Surf bus road.

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KANTA JAYACHANDRAN

anta Jayachandran, 86, passed on September 11.

She was born and raised in Bombay, India, and moved to the U.S. in 1963 to pursue a Ph.D. in statistics. She and her husband, Toke, married in 1965 and settled in the Monterey area in 1968. Kanta was a beloved math teacher at Santa Catalina School for more than 30 years, known to her students as Dr. Jay. Her friends and family and many hobbies fulfilled her in retirement.

Kanta is survived by her husband, Toke; daughters, Priya and Seema; grandchildren, Tobias, Nina and Sybil; son-in-law, Jakub Grygiel; and siblings, Veena and Baldev Chawla.

A memorial will begin at 11 a.m. on Jan. 6, 2025, at Santa Catalina School. Details are at https://bit.ly/KANTAJ.

big oil in the wake of legislation like AB 3233 would be so expensive they'd outweigh the bill's value to constituents. "They said, 'isn't this bill kind of big for someone like you?," said Addis about the skepticism she faced from fellow lawmakers.

In the end, the legislation didn't stay under the radar. In fact, it was fought over until the 11th hour with lawmakers finally getting it off the floor at 11:47 p.m. on the eve of the Legislature's final recess. "It was 13 minutes before the deadline, that's how hard-fought this was," said Addis.

'Fight will continue'

Addis said the bill is a win for all of California affirming the right to clean air and water free of oil and gas pollution, but she added that the fight is not.

"We are celebrating today but we know that this fight has to continue," said Addis.

Legal challenges from oil companies operating in Monterey County are anticipated. In the 2016 court case in Monterey County, the plaintiffs were successful in arguing that Measure Z, in addition to state law, was preempted by the federal Safe Drinking Water Act and that the ban constituted a taking of their property, violating their due process rights.

Clearing the hurdle of federal law in any future court battles will be the true litmus test for the new law.









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A CHIROPRACTIC MESSAGE from Dr. Steven MacDonald, D.C.

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GREG BURKHART

Jan. 13, 1953 - Sept. 18, 2024

He laughed readily and with gusto. He gave the best hugs. He was self-effacing and always had kind words for others. He was generous to a fault. He lived life large and appreciated its many facets and challenges. He took the road less traveled and enjoyed every minute of his

Everyone who knew and loved Greg Burkhart, aka Mr. Happy, cherished his spirit, thoughtfulness, gusto - and whatever nicknames he gave them. He made the world a

Greg was born in San Antonio, Texas, to Inge and Wayne Burkhart and had a sister, Beverly, with whom he stayed close throughout his life.

He attended Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo and relished setting speed records on his drives along the coast between there and the Monterey Peninsula, which became his home.

He made his career managing large-scale construction projects, many of which took years to complete. He also undertook remodels and home projects for friends and

While Monterey was always his base and he spent many years on the Peninsula, Greg savored his somewhat nomadic lifestyle. Between jobs, he'd travel throughout

the West, most recently with his truck and the Bigfoot trailer he kitted out and decorated, for months at a time. He never did anything halfway.

Locally, among his largest projects was the expansion of Del Monte Center and construction of its movie theater. He did work at Carmel Valley Ranch and La Quinta Resort and Spa and oversaw the renovations of the Westin Las Vegas and the Park Hyatt Aviara Resort & Spa in Carlsbad, Calif. He also built a private school in Sanger, Calif., in 2023 and was working on a new project with his best friend, Andrea Pelletier, in Butte, Mont., when he died unexpectedly.

Greg is survived by his sister, Beverly Diaz, of Marina, and family members in Germany — a heritage he celebrated. Planning is underway for a memorial gathering in his honor.

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CHRISTY WATKINS POLLACCI: A LEGACY OF EDUCATION AND LOVE

April 20, 1955 - September 22, 2024

"Always be humble and kind, kinder than necessary."

hristy Watkins Pollacci passed away peacefully on September 22, 2024, after a courageous twoyear battle with ovarian cancer. She willingly accepted every treatment available to her, so that she did not miss one precious moment with the family she cherished. It was in that love and warmth of her family that Christy left us too soon.

Born on April 20, 1955, in Alameda, California, Christy's early life was nurtured by the love and guidance of her parents, Gerry and Betty Watkins. Her passion for education became evident early on, leading her to pursue a degree in early education from California State University, Fresno. It was during this time that fate intervened, introducing her to Mark Pollacci, her future husband, and the love of her life. Their shared love of family and Mark's unending support of Christy's passion to make a positive impact on children's lives intertwined, culminating in their marriage in 1979.

Christy began teaching at Santa Catalina in 1979 as a thirdgrade teacher. She believed the beginning was everything. With her innate ability to connect with young minds, she quickly became a devoted and passionate leader for the Catalina community. Over her 33 years at Catalina, Christy held various leadership positions within the school, including Director of Admissions and Head of Lower and Middle School, leaving an indelible mark on countless students and colleagues



Christy's belief in the transformative power of education was unwavering. She firmly believed that Santa Catalina had the unique opportunity to ignite the potential within each child, helping them discover their strengths and guiding them towards fulfilling their aspirations. Her dedication to her students was evident in every aspect of her work, as she tirelessly advocated for their well-being and arowth.

Christy was a warm and loving wife, mother and Mimi to her family. She was the holder of the family traditions and loved nothing more than to cook and have her family home for the holidays. She was the essence of grace in everything she did. She was generous of spirit and always had a way of making you feel that you mattered.

Sadly, Christy was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Mark Pollacci; her parents, Gerry and Betty Watkins; and her sister, Laurie Watkins. However, Christy's legacy lives on through her son, Ryan (Sara); her daughter, Megan (Peter); her sister, Kerry (Jeffrey), and three cherished grandchildren, Matthew, William and Mark. And many nieces and nephews.

To honor Christy's memory, a Vigil Service will begin at 7 p.m. on Thursday, October 10, followed by a Mass of the Resurrection on Friday, October II, at 2 p.m. Both celebrations will be at Santa Catalina School, Rosary Chapel, 1500 Mark Thomas Drive, Monterey, California 93940.

The Pollacci family would like to sincerely thank Dr. Zach Koontz, whose unwavering support and friendship adorned Christy's final journey with grace and compassion.

As a testament to Christy's enduring legacy, the family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Christy and Mark Pollacci Endowment for Lower and Middle School Financial Aid. Through this fund, Christy's spirit will continue to nurture and empower generations of young learners, ensuring that her steadfast commitment to education lives on forever.









Editorial

Speech and 'disinformation'

FORMER SECRETARY of State John Kerry certainly wasn't censoring himself when he told the World Economic Forum in New York last week that the First Amendment was a "major block" to keeping people from believing the "wrong" things.

Speaking about the proliferation of online forums and independent media operating beyond the control of traditional news outlets, he went even further, saying, "You know, there's a lot of discussion now about how you curb those entities in order to guarantee that you're going to have some accountability on facts, etc. But look, if people only go to one source, and the source they go to is sick, and, you know, has an agenda, and they're putting out disinformation, our First Amendment stands as a major block to be able to just, you know, hammer it out of existence."

If his metaphor was a bit overstated, his message was clear: Americans' constitutional right to speak, read or hear whatever they want is a threat to the "right" kind of government.

"It's really hard to govern today," Kerry said. "The referees we used to have to determine what is a fact and what isn't a fact have kind of been eviscerated, to a certain degree. And people go and self-select where they go for their news, for their information. And then you get into a vicious circle."

Kerry didn't give examples of what he meant when he said "disinformation," but when he made this remarkable statement, we're pretty sure he wasn't talking about the kinds of speech that are already prohibited or heavily regulated in this country.

Advertising, for example, is already subject to all sorts of rules of "time, place and manner." Just because billboards are speech doesn't mean you can put them anywhere you want.

Incitement to violence is also illegal, if the threat is direct and immediate.

Defaming someone isn't a criminal violation, but speaking or publishing untrue and damaging statements about someone can make you vulnerable to an expensive lawsuit.

Child pornography is also speech that, the First Amendment notwithstanding, can be banned (and is).

At work and school, your speech can be limited to keep you from disrupting things. And revealing classified information that could harm national interests can be restricted under laws like the Espionage Act.

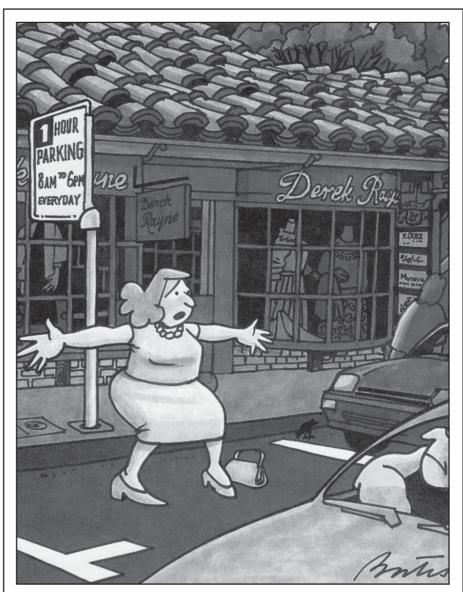
Those are just some of the ways speech is already limited in this country. On the other hand, the Supreme Court has protected things like flag burning, anonymous speech, use of profanity in public, and satire, no matter how uncomplimentary to the person being targeted.

For all of those situations, the rules are clear, which means Kerry had to be talking about something else when mentioned, "hammering" disinformation "out of existence."

To understand what he meant, you have to remember that politicians don't always do what's in the public interest. Sometimes — often, in fact — they act to perpetuate their own authority and privilege.

The public's right to speak facts and opinions which are inconvenient or discomfiting to those in power is guaranteed by our Constitution, and when he made his remarks to the World Economic Forum, Kerry showed that he's exactly the kind of autocrat the Founding Fathers were worried about.

BEST of BATES



"I'm saving it for my husband. He's due in a week from Thursday."

Letters to the Editor

Hazdovac's recommendations Dear Editor,

As a former member of the Carmel City Council, I look for certain qualities in candidates. Some of these would be the ability to listen to the concerns of residents, being prepared for meetings and keeping an open mind on issues, friendly and candid dialog with residents and fellow council members, facing tough issues and taking decisive action, living within our budget and avoiding expensive consultants where possible.

While I appreciate our present and earlier councils, I hear the concerns of residents who feel that elected officials are not listening to them, and that the city is too quick to spend money when it is not always necessary.

Most would agree this election season has a particularly good mix of candidates. After meeting with a few of them and attending candidates' forums, there are three who stand out.

Bob Delves is running for city council and has strong experience in public service as a former councilmember and mayor of a similar small town, and sits on the Carmel Planning Commission. His professional experience working with large budgets as well as being a consensus builder are among his other strengths.

City council candidate Hans Buder grew up in a small town like Carmel. He is a member of the forest and beach commission and is involved with other community groups. His experience with the Monterey County Housing Authority could help the city greatly as we navigate unfunded state housing mandates.

Running for mayor is Dale Byrne. Once again, we have a candidate with extensive budget experience and valuable leadership qualities. As one example, residents complained of a downtown area that was looking a bit tired. Dale took the initiative to put a program in place, encouraged volunteers to help, and created a sense of involvement with their city.

The ingenuity and can-do attitudes of these three are encouraging. To learn more, please visit their campaign websites.

Your vote is important. Please join me in supporting Bob Delves and Hans Buder for city council, and Dale Byrne for mayor.

Paula Hazdovac,

Carmel

Pepe for Potter Dear Editor.

As we prepare to welcome two new members to the city council this fall, it's clear that significant changes are on the horizon at city hall. Coupled with councilmember Alissandra Dramov having just two years of experience, this upcoming council will face numerous critical issues, challenges, and decisions that will shape our city's future.

Now is not the time for a change in the

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IF YOU BUILD IT, HE WILL BREW. OTHERS WILL COME FOR HIS BEER.

"IT WAS a purely selfish act. It was terrible," admitted architect John Hill with a chuckle. He was talking about a phone call to San Diego 12 years ago. John, who lives south of Ocean in Carmel, explained that he had found a space in Monterey for a brew pub, and he thought that might tempt his son, J.C. Hill — and his growing family — to move. J.C. was already running a brew pub in San Diego, and since father and son had spoken of "one day" having a business together, it seemed like the timing might be right.

It was, and that phone call led to the opening of Alvarado Street Brewery, an enterprise that has grown to three restaurants, plus Alvarado at the Pitch — a beer

garden at the Marina stadium where Mon-

terey Bay FC plays professional soccer —

and a production facility in Salinas. But

maybe we should back up the beer truck

Egypt, Hawaii

of an architect who worked for Edward

Durell Stone, himself a well-known archi-

tect whose U.S. Embassy in New Delhi,

India, was lauded by Frank Lloyd Wright

as "one of the most beautiful buildings"

came to California to work on The Stanford

University Medical Center in Palo Alto. In

the 1960s, the company designed Commu-

nity Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula

and Seaside City Hall.

John worked for his

father and Stone, and for

Welton Becket & Asso-

ciates, but in 1980, the

Cal grad opened his own

firm specializing in hotels

and restaurants. Clients

included the Four Seasons,

for which he designed a

hotel in Kona, Hawaii, as

well as Sharm El Sheikh

in Egypt and a location in

Jackson Hole, Wyo., among

others. The Ritz-Carlton

was also a client, and John

designed its Half Moon

Bay hotel. That's not to

mention the rest of the list, which includes Rose-

wood, Westin, Marriott,

St. Regis and others. He

also designed the Clement

InterContinental on Can-

Variety

working with hotels and

restaurants because they

required "a little bit of

everything," from bed-

rooms and bathrooms, to

John said he enjoyed

nery Row in Monterey.

he'd seen. Stone — and John's father -

John Hill was born in Arkansas, the son

a little.

Great Lives

offices, bars, restaurants and commercial kitchens. He's won multiple awards for his work and has co-authored or contributed to several books on hospitality design

The younger Hill is a 2007 graduate of Cornell University with a bachelor's degree in hospitality management. While in college, he washed dishes and tended bar, worked in an on-campus hotel and completed a management internship with the Four Seasons.

Another degree

At first, however, J.C. took a job in finance as an analyst for a hotel development company in the San Francisco area. He lived in North Beach and joked that

sometimes his whole paycheck went to local Italian restaurants. During the recession, however, he said that "half the company got axed," including him.

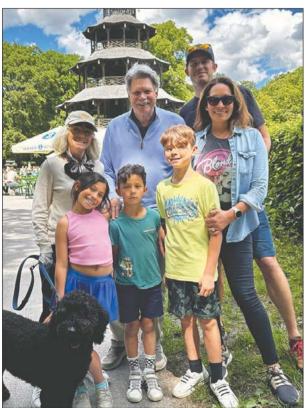
By ELAINE HESSER axed," including him.

He moved to San Diego
in 2009 and partnered with a fellow Cornell alum to open a small restaurant on the
campus of San Diego State.

Business fluctuated sharply as students came and went throughout the year, so with help from many friends and investors, they opened a second location in the busy Pacific Beach neighborhood. The new spot "was much bigger and had a small brewery, so we hired a professional brewer. I learned a lot," said J.C., who had started home brewing after his wife gave him a kit as a gift. He also earned an associate's degree in brewing science and technology from the Siebel Institute in Chicago.

Meanwhile, his dad — by then "semi-retired" — had started seeking a spot where

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J.C. Hill (right rear) and his dad, John (center), of Alvarado Street Brewery, with are shown with their family in Munich.

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

Unafraid of struggle, 'wild child' cherishes her independence

AT 71, Joy Colangelo still exhibits the independence of that wild child who, as a student at UC Santa Cruz, chose to sleep outdoors most nights.

"I could easily sleep outside all the time today," said the Peninsula artist. On Oct. 13 and 14, she will exhibit her handmade, hand-painted, hand-folded, mostly envi-

Carmel's Artists

of a race was a rarity and never a priority, she said, and Colangelo didn't keep the medals, trophies, or prizes — usually bike gear — she sometimes won. Like so many endurance athletes, she strangely enjoyed the pain.

"I've always had a great ability to be uncomfortable for a really long time. For

young mom who simultaneously was put-

A career that almost wasn't

angelo was married for 21 years, raised

a son, Dakota, and daughter, Alex, and

worked for two decades as an occupational

With racing in her rearview mirror, Col-

me, there's a thrill in the discomfort. I enjoy the struggle," she said, explaining a trait that carries over to her artistic process, enduring long hours of intricate work.

"Working hard has always been my dopamine and still is" added Colangelo, who enjoyed 12 years as a self-employed landscaper — even as a

ting herself through occupational-therapy

By DENNIS TAYLOR

ronment-themed storybooks at 832 Light-house Ave. in Pacific Grove, a stop on this year's Monterey County Artist Studio Tour

Also showing at that venue from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days will be painters Cheryl Kampe, who will have oils on cold-pressed paper, Gordon Mayfield and his watercolors, and Maria Poroy, with her works in acrylics.

As a student, the free-spirited Colangelo slept outdoors among like-minded peers, sheltered beneath the cantilevered library at Merrill College at UCSC. "It was kind of condoned, but not condoned," she said. "The police would just stop by and say, 'Everybody OK?'"

She showered at a local gym and often attended classes barefoot, studying Greek, ancient Greek, and politics. She used student loans to buy a house she never lived in, renting it instead to fellow students. "That was pre-1974, before a single woman could get a mortgage," she explained. "I've always had a side hustle going, no matter what else I was doing."

'The vagabond lifestyle'

With more wild oats to sow, she became a competitive cyclist, "living the vagabond lifestyle all over Europe, usually sleeping outdoors," she said.

"I really wasn't very good, but bike racing for women wasn't such a big deal at the time," said Colangelo, who, in 1984, came out of "retirement" at age 31 to compete in the first U.S. Olympic trials for women.

Ascending an awards podium at the end

therapist for Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula — a career that almost didn't happen.

As one of just 24 students who had been accepted into the challenging master's-level occupational-therapy school,

Colangelo — who had one child at the time — encountered a dilemma when she learned she was pregnant again.

"I walked into the dean's office to tell her I had to leave the program," recalled Colangelo, who was also landscaping fulltime. "As soon as I told her I was pregnant,

have to quit!""

The dean's abrupt mandate immediately triggered an about-face for the independent-minded student.

she interrupted me with, 'Well, then, you

"When this authority interrupted to say that to me, she changed my life. I said, 'I have to quit? Well, you don't know me."

Despite being placed on academic probation for the duration of her stay, she completed the program and achieved her goal.

Challenging authority has been the soundtrack of Colangelo's adult life. She

said she frequently butted heads with her superiors at CHOMP as she challenged what she considered "ethical concerns." She was a supervisor, herself, when she was fired after 21 years.

Rocking the boat

She's been a fearless boat-rocker through the years at city council meetings and commission hearings, frequently stepping up to speak.

In 2008, Colangelo helped lead a successful drive by Sustainable Pacific Grove to curb the use of Styrofoam take-out containers by Peninsula

She's also passionate about the environment, which inspired several of the one-of-a-kind books she'll be showing at the

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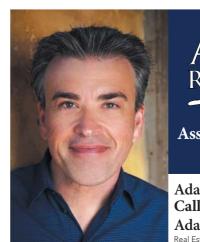
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Once the autopsy was complete Leonardo was re-interviewed and after much prodding about the injuries and timeline, he told investigators he got mad and hit Priscilla in the tummy. Priscilla had been throwing a tantrum about her mother leaving. Leonardo had given her a time out. She had pooped and peed in her pants to get back at him. He hit her in the tummy. She didn't speak after that.

At the parole hearing on April 23, the victim's parent and both grandmothers were present and pleaded with the board of parole not to release Priscilla's murderer. Many letters of opposition to release, along with a multi-page petition with signatures of members of the public opposing his parole were introduced at the prior hearing and incorporated into the hear-

The April 23, board of parole panel had asserted that their grant was based on the work the inmate had done during incarceration to transform and rehabilitate himself. The recommendations of the last panel and the psychologist were that the inmate identify the nexus, or connection, between





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his triggers for anger and the severity of his violence. The April 24 panel opined that since 2022, the inmate had accomplished this through further programming and enhanced self-awareness as demonstrated by his testimony at the 2024 hearing. The panel found the inmate demonstrated remorse and accepted full responsibility for his crime without any minimization. The board listed his accomplishments in prison including college coursework, and determined that he had adequate parole plans. The board lauded his participation in many programs offered in prison.

On Aug. 30, the governor referred the April 23 grant back to the board for review and a vote by the "en banc," citing the need to determine if the inmate had sufficiently mitigated his risk for family violence, sufficiently deepened his insight into his triggers for antisocial conduct and had developed coping skills to maintain healthy relationships. On Sept. 17, the board sitting "en banc" answered these questions in the affirmative by affirming the grant of parole.

The Monterey County District Attorney opposed release at the hearing, arguing that Leonardo did not demonstrate true remorse, instead engaging in self-serving deception and impression management. Leonardo's portrayal of events selectively omitted aspects of the commission of the crime, for example, he had previously admitted he may have put his hand over the victim's mouth at some point. Members of the public and the inmate's family spoke in favor of parole, and members of the public and victim's family spoke in opposition. Inmate Leonardo will likely be released forthwith, having only been in custody since Dec. 3, 2011, for the murder of 2-year-old Priscilla.



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would do to help solve the shortage of affordable housing.

Coletti said building affordable housing will need government funds to subsidize it, and a bond measure could raise the money. But he also pointed out that there are hundreds of granny units in town that could help alleviate the housing crunch.

Walkingstick suggested exploring mixed-use housing and community land trusts.

Poduri called for rezoning to create more opportunities for housing and working with the school district "to build workforce housing."

Garcia pointed out that a much-feared project to house Pebble Beach workers turned out pretty well. "It's never been an issue," she noted.

Rau said "doing nothing" isn't an answer due to state

"The last thing that we want is for this thing to trigger the builder's remedy and have someone come in and build any which way they want without any community input,"

Kartalov, who didn't attend the forum, is running for council to preserve the town's "family-atmosphere, property values, safety and character." She wants to use her business background to help solve the city's problems. "I am a can-do, fix-it person," she says on her website.







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ARTIST

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Studio Tour venue.

"Joy is a book folder and her concept, book design, art, printing and assembly are solely her own," said Kampe, the artist who organized the four-person Lighthouse Avenue tour stop.

"Most of her books have environmental and conservation themes, showing a distinct sense of place," she said of Colangelo's carefully researched creations, which tell stories about Monarch butterflies, the frog pond in Del Rey Oaks, Sequoia trees in Yosemite National Park, the complex ecosystem of Elkhorn Slough, and other topics.

Each book is artistically hand-folded by Colangelo to open or expand in a kinetically intriguing way. For example, "Birds of Prey," makes flapping noises, like fluttering wings, as readers flip through its pages.

The celebrated jumping frog

Individual pages are adorned with Colangelo's original watercolor and ink renderings, and her stories are an education. A tiny, rare frog in the Del Rey Oaks pond, for instance, can leap 20 times its body length — farther than any other frog. It also climbs trees and has four songs — two more than most frogs.

Her more traditional 2022 book "The Illustrated Pacific Grove" — also thoroughly researched — features hundreds of her illustrations of the animals and plants known to inhabit each area of the city.

Covid isolation turned creativity into an obsession for the artist, who passed each day creating stunning, frameable fabric art before detouring toward book-folding a year ago.

Recent months have been filled with full-day sessions of illustrating, printing, cutting, folding and assembling her books — 50 copies of each — for the Open Studio Tour. "I can make 10 a day and really have fun," she said. "Or I probably could make 20 a day and not have fun."

The dopamine hit

She said she doesn't watch TV, doesn't read books — and doesn't go to the movies. If she takes a day off, she feels like something's missing in her life. "I'm not getting my dopamine hit," she said.

More than 30 years after she stopped racing, Colangelo stays fit by biking or walking wherever she goes. She hasn't owned a car in more than 20 years and rarely accepts rides from friends.

"If I buy a muffin, I only buy one at a time — never a bag of 12, as big as my head, because I can't carry them. If I buy a root beer, it's one," she said. "I also don't visit anybody who isn't bike-worthy."

Colangelo's 2003 book, "Embodied Wisdom: What our anatomy can teach us about the art of living," is available

online. Images of her art can be viewed on Instagram @ joy.colangelo.35. Contact her at joycolangelo@gmail.com.

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LETTERS

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mayor's seat.

In my opinion, Dave Potter has proved to be a steady, thoughtful leader with no personal agenda. He is levelheaded, calm and listens more than he speaks, demonstrating sound judgment and an ability to build consensus among council members and city staff alike.

The Carmel Pine Cone

What we need now is a mayor with experience and well-established relationships within our city and beyond. Mayor Potter has spent years cultivating valuable connections with individuals, stakeholders and organizations across neighboring cities, at the county level, in Sacramento and even in Washington D.C.

Additionally, Potter serves as the Monterey Bay Division director on the board of the League of California Cities, placing him in a strong position to advocate for the unique needs of Carmel-by-the-Sea. Thanks to Dave's efforts, our city has a voice at the table where important decisions are made, especially when Sacramento's "one-size-fits-all" approach isn't suitable for our community.

Being mayor of Carmel-by-the-Sea requires dedication, intense study, and a keen ability to balance the needs of residents with our world-class reputation as a travel destination. Over the years, Mayor Dave Potter has demonstrated the leadership required to navigate this balance effectively.

Please join me in ensuring the continued success of our city government by voting for Dave Potter for mayor.

Rich Pepe, Carmel

Baron 'exceptionally good' Dear Editor,

We met Jeff Baron six years ago when he was running for a seat on the Carmel City Council. During his time on the council, Jeff has proved himself to be dedicated, professional, going the extra mile, always available to residents, including having regular question-and-answer get togethers.

The following Oxford Dictionary definitions obviously have Jeff in mind: Upstanding — "honest, respectable, an upstanding member of the community." Outstanding — "exceptionally good."

After six years on the council, Jeff has gleaned more than enough experience to become exceptionally qualified to be mayor of Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Alan and Jean Hewer,

Carmel

Delves for council

This is the first time I have felt compelled to write a letter to the editor. I just want to put in my 2 cents about Bob Delves. I have attended several of his events and have come away very impressed each time. Listening to him talk, I find him such a straight, simple and direct communicator. He clearly lays out the issues, followed by his solutions that are supported by information that clearly shows he has "done his homework". He has a proven track record in his last community and has had Tour years nere in our community serving on the planning commission. Most importantly, he understands the public sector. I plan on voting for him because I see him more as someone who wants to serve the public, not as a politician.

> Judith Profeta, Carmel

'A call for new leadership' Dear Editor,

To the resident who tried to create a narrative of competition around volunteer attention in our town, we are both shocked and disheartened by your comments. Furthermore, suggesting that the accomplishments of local citizens and their countless hours of volunteerism are solely due to Mayor Dave Potter is misleading and undermines our community's collective efforts. Instead, you have made yourself and your candidate appear foolish.

As proud Carmel residents, we feel compelled to advocate for new leadership

after attending numerous community meetings since Jan. 8. Unfortunately, these gatherings have been poorly organized, excessively lengthy, and often lacking in respect, resulting in little progress. Our community deserves better engagement and transparency.

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The responsibility for these challenges lies with Potter, who has acknowledged medical issues affecting his performance and has not been available enough to the community. After six years in office, we have seen minimal advancement and it's time for a fresh perspective.

Jeff Baron, another candidate with six years on the council, claims to promote inclusivity, but his actions tell a different story. He has excluded residents from critical discussions about the police station until public pressure mounted and often he dismisses differing opinions. His reliance on email communication with fellow council members highlights a reluctance to engage in open dialogue. This lack of interpersonal skills and unwillingness to connect with dissenting voices is not what we need in a mayor.

In contrast, Dale Byrne stands out as a beacon of hope for our city. He has actively contributed to various committees and tirelessly worked to unite residents for meaningful change. His unwavering dedication to the betterment of Carmel-by-the-Sea makes him an exceptional candidate for mayor.

Together, we can embrace a brighter future under his leadership.

Andi and Noel Carr, Carmel

Potter should 'keep up the fight' Dear Editor,

We are fortunate to have Dave Potter as our mayor and on the board of directors of the League of California Cities. He is a voice representing small cities such as Carmel-by-the-Sea.

The League of California Cities offers a crucial network between local governments in the state and provides communication regarding new laws and innovations in city governance. Having a director from our city in this organization only bolsters Carmel and gives us access to information, independence and advocacy at the state level

Potter has a longstanding position as the Monterey Bay Division director on the board of the League of California Cities. This position gives Carmel a fighting chance against bigger cities that try to control the narrative.

We are suffering from the State of California's approach to treating every community the same — in a "one-size-fits-all" fashion. Potter is a protector of all things "small city" on the board and works to keep our city autonomous and unique.

If the state interference in our planning process continues, when our children and grandchildren visit Carmel it will be a very different village than we know today.

Dave Potter, keep up the fight and help us protect this special place on earth. Experience counts, inexperience will hurt us.

Ken White, Carmel

Byrne 'caring and skilled' Dear Editor,

In a world where authentic leadership often feels scarce, Dale Byrne stands out as a community hero who genuinely cares about the people he serves. Witnessing Dale's dedication during the challenging times of the Covid pandemic has been truly inspiring. His ability to connect with others and prioritize their needs reflects values many hold dear, creating hope for a brighter future in the town.

Dale's contributions during the pandemic illustrate his impact. As a volunteer grant manager for the Carmel Gives Fund, he coordinated over 300 grants, distributing more than \$2 million to local schools, nonprofits and businesses.

This effort not only supported struggling organizations but also fostered unity within the community. For instance, his special grant program helped 20 local restaurants bring back staff to prepare 16,000 meals for those in need. This

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J.C. could run a similar business in the Monterey Peninsula. He recalled that it was Carmel city administrator Chip Rerig, then chief of planning for the City of Monterey and with whom John had worked on the Clement, who suggested the vacant Regency Theater on Alvarado Street.

The 1916 building, once known as the Strand, and then the Rio Theater, had some intriguing features, John remembered, and the local Elks club had long met upstairs. Downstairs, movie theater patrons didn't want to hear the Elks' guest speakers, and the Elks didn't want to hear the latest films. The problem was solved by what John called "a robust acoustic barrier" — essentially a wooden floor with a layer of sand — to deaden the noise between floors.

John realized it would be a great spot for a business with upstairs apartments. Not only that, but when a level floor was placed atop the sloping movie theater floor, the gap that was created gave them room to run additional pipes.

Tailored builds

"It was the perfect space," said John. And it was just in time for him to meet his first grandchild, who was born about a month after J.C. and his wife, Melanie Hill, moved to Monterey. They lived in two of the four upstairs apartments at different times, including the one directly over the bar, and J.C. learned firsthand that his father's assessment was correct. He could drown out downstairs noise — when he could hear it at all — simply by turning on

John also designed Alvarado Street's brewery and bistro in Carmel Plaza. He noted that a portion of the restaurant had once been part of the Plaza's parking

structure, which meant it was strong enough to hold large tanks.

In Salinas, Alvarado on Main went into a building that housed a series of banks until the last one moved out, leaving it thoroughly gutted, said John. He wanted to respect the space and the Art Deco design of the building.

Appropriately, the interior evokes the early 20th century and offers plenty of cushy seating with a large central bar. No brewing goes on there, but John said they installed a "giant" refrigerator in the basement and ran pipes upstairs directly to the taps. An elevator was redesigned to move beer downstairs easily, and part of the kitchen and storage area is in the bank

Immersed in beer culture

J.C. said ASB employs "close to 200" people, including servers, bartenders, managers and the brewers who help make the company's highly respected beers in Monterey, Carmel, and the 20,000-square-foot production facility in Salinas. That location also has a public taproom.

John and J.C. co-own the company. John said he mainly works with finances and with the buildings' designs, especially as brewing operations evolve. J.C. recently returned from a six-month master brewing course at the Doemens Academy in Munich. He and Melanie took their three children out of Tularcitos School and moved from Carmel Valley to Germany, home-schooling their kids during their

"It was an opportunity to immerse myself in a beer culture, something I've always imagined doing," J.C. said. "It rekindled the flame and expanded my world." He took in a lot of information about the German brewing process and is focusing the Carmel outlet exclusively on German ales and lagers, likely adding some Czech and Belgian brews — "traditional,

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classic European styles," he said.

Besides, J.C. is committed to "the endless pursuit of the damned-near perfect beverage.'

He said, "There is no perfect beer, there's always something you can do better," but he concedes that "if you do a lot of little things right," there might be an almost mystical moment when there could be "nothing else better or more satisfying"

than what you're drinking at that place and

John said he's enjoying learning all about beer from his son and figuring out the finer points of building brewing facilities. "It's been really fun, like starting a second career, in a sense," he noted. Father and son enjoy working together - their mutual respect is evident — and insist they'll never stop learning.

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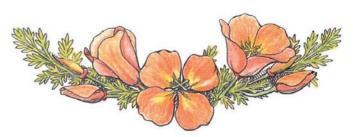
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The Carmel Pine Cone

Section 2

So many courses, so much great talent, so many big dreams

IN 2007 — the year most of today's high school seniors were born — the Stevenson girls enjoyed the best golf season in school history.

Led by Sydney Burlison, who played collegiately at Stanford, and Mina Harigae, who starred at Duke before earning \$4.4 million (so far) on the LPGA Tour, the Pirates placed second as a team at NorCals and were runners-up

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

to Torrance — by one stroke — at the state tournament.

Stevenson has never won a state title, a shortfall this year's team aspires to correct.

"That's the goal, and I feel like it's within reason," said Jason McArthur, who begins his fifth season as head coach with five of six players from last year's second-place Cen-



PHOTO/KERRY BELSER

Senior Nikki Iniakov opens 2024 as the Stevenson's No. 1 player for the fourth straight year on what might be the Pirates' best team ever.

tral Coast Section team, including senior Nikki Iniakov and sophomore Lucinda Wu, who tied for second individually at the sectional tournament, missing medalist honors by a single stroke.

A stumble at NorCals

As team runners-up at CCS, the Pirates qualified their entire team for NorCals, where their seventh-place finish is a motivational memory that makes the current season a quest for redemption. So, there's that.

But there also is this: Early indications are that the 2024 Pirates are much, much better.

On Sept. 17, playing the front nine holes (par 36) at Hollister's Ridgemark Golf Club, five Pirates combined for 189 strokes — the lowest team score in recent memory for a Stevenson lineup.

Allison Chan, a freshman, was medalist that day with a 1-under-par 35, while senior co-captain Michelle Wang was second with a par 36. Coco He, a junior, carded a 1-over 37. Wu, the sophomore who nearly won CCS last

fall, scored 40, and senior Siobhan Ong, a fourthyear varsity starter, had a 41.

Those sub-40 rounds weren't anomalies.

■ On Sept. 9, sophomore Isabella Sun shot 37 at Pacific Grove Golf Links, then carded a 38 at Old Del Monte two days later.

On Sept. 18, playing from the blue tees at Quail Lodge, Iniakov and He tied more medalist honors with matching 36 scorecards, and Wu shot 38

And on Sept. 26, at Corral de Tierra Country Club, four Pirates had sub-40 rounds. Wu and He shot 37, Iniakov carded a 38, and Sun scored 39.

All totaled, six Stevenson golfers — Chan, Wang, He, Sun, Wu, and Iniakov (who will play next year at an NCAA Division I school) have broken the 40-stroke barrier already.

And, by the way, Iniakov, the Pirates' top player for the past three years, spent the Sept. 21-22 weekend at Pebble Beach and Spyglass Hill, playing in



PHOTO/KERRY BELS

Carmel's top player, Megan Ikemiya, a junior, has already scored in the 30s twice this season in 9-hole competitions.

the PURE Insurance Championship (a major Seniors Pro Tour event) as the amateur partner of golf legend Ernie Els. Out of 80 teams, they took first place. Oh, and Iniakov scored a hole-in-one on No. 17 at Pebble.

Utah state champ

"We also have a new student, Ashley Gettleman, who won Utah's state amateur championship this summer," reported McArthur.

Gettleman was sidelined by transfer-student restrictions — a mandatory "sit-out" period — until Sept. 27.

"I watched her on the first day of our three-day tryout, and knew after her very first swing that she'd be one of our

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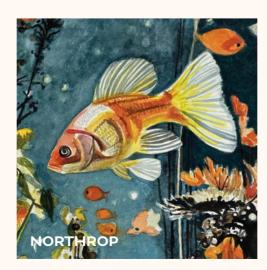
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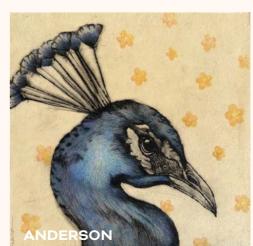












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top kids," the coach said.

Also in the mix are senior Alice Li, a fourth-year player, and sophomore Olivia Huang, another returning letter-winner.

The Carmel Pine Cone

"Probably eight of our top 10 players play golf year-round," said McArthur, whose task before every match is to choose a six-person lineup from his 18-girl roster, enough for a full JV team.

The selection process, he said, is based on multiple considerations: Varsity veterans are known commodities, year-round players have tournament histories, and performances in the nine-hole league matches have an obvious impact on the decision-making.

"Since we sometimes have three or four matches a week. I also ask for a show of



PHOTO/KERRY BELSE

Candy Liu, a freshman from Beijing, China, is an emerging star at Santa Catalina, where first-year coach Bill Bodensteiner has a young, talented roster.

hands to see if anybody wants a day off to get caught up on school stuff or just needs a mental break," McArthur said. "A couple of hands usually go up, which gives me a chance to pull a couple of the others into the starting lineup."

October 4, 2024

The real head-scratcher for McArthur will come at playoff time, when he'll have to decide which six players will represent Stevenson at CCS, and hopefully beyond.

Ikemiya leads Carmel

Carmel, last year's PCAL Gabilan Division runner-up, and Santa Catalina also have solid starting lineups featuring players with realistic postseason expectations.

Megan Ikemiya, a junior with extensive off-season tournament experience, returns as the Padres' No. 1 player.

She showed her prowess on Sept. 24 by scoring 37 against Stevenson at Quail Lodge, and previously shot a 39 on the same course on Sept. 5 in a match against

Pacific Grove.

Ikemiya was Carmel's best scorer at the 2023 CCS tournament, where teammates Ava Martin, Bailey Stewart, Ellie Williams and Sydney Ozel, also got postseason experience.

Santa Catalina has two freshman standouts at the top of its lineup, Candy Liu and Anika Minami, experienced tournament players who already have scored in the 30s in league competition this year.

Liu, a boarding student from Beijing, China, has scored under 40 in five of her first six matches.

"Her fundamentals are really good," said Bill Bodensteiner, Catalina's first-year head coach, who played collegiately at CSU Monterey Bay and Saddleback Junior College, where's he's in the Athletic Hall of Fame. "Her drives are really straight, she hits her irons very well, and she has a very good demeanor on the course."

Her best score, so far, carded a

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Big Sur River Inn celebrates turning 90 with Abalone Stompers reunion

KEVIVING ONE of Big Sur's most cherished musical traditions, the River Inn in Big Sur presents a reunion of The Abalone Stompers Sunday at noon. The performance is part of a day-long celebration of the resort's 90th birthday.

On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

Led by the late clarinetist Jake Stock and participants in the very first Monterey Jazz Festival in 1958, the Abalone

Stompers played Dixieland jazz at the River Inn Sunday afternoons for more than two decades going back to at least the early 1970s. The gatherings were popular with locals and visitors alike.

"It wasn't just tourists," recalled Alan Perlmutter, who handed the reigns of the restaurant to his son Ben last year. "Fifty percent were regulars who came every Sunday."

One of the group's shows at the inn was even recorded for a live album.

Stock passed away in 1995, and legendary flugelhorn player Jackie Coon died in 2007. But banjoist "Fast Eddie" **Erickson** is planning to be at the River Inn Sunday, along with an ensemble of musicians recruited by the bandleaders' nephew, trumpeter Brian Stock.

The Stompers will play outside. The gathering also features a BBQ buffet (\$20 for adults, \$10 for children), face painting, games for kids and free pool passes. The River Inn is located at 46800 Highway 1 in Alvarado St. Call (831) 649-1070 or visit goldenstateth-Big Sur.

■ Blues show rescheduled

After canceling an April 4 show at Golden State Theatre in Monterey, singer and guitarist Jimmie Vaughan will play there Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

The older brother of the late guitar legend Stevie Ray Vaughan, Jimmie has won four Grammy Awards, including one for Best Traditional Blues Album in 2001 for the LP, "Do You Get The Blues?" Co-founder of the Fabulous Thunderbirds, he has nine albums as a solo artist.

Tickets start at \$35. The theater is located at 417

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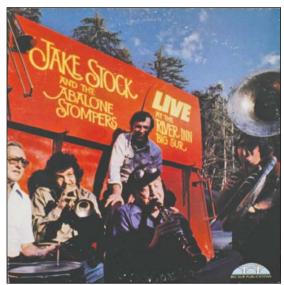
■ Guitar duo plays P.G.

A gifted guitar duo that performs under the name, **Duo** SF, Christopher Mallett and Robert Miller perform Saturday, 6:30 p.m., at the Pacific Grove Art Center.

Passionate about new music, Mallet and Miller are co-founders of the California Conservatory of Music. Inspired by the Pan American Unity Mural in San Francisco, they recently commissioned Chilean composer

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For several decades, Jake Stock and the Abalone Stompers played Dixieland jazz at the Big Sur River Inn (left) on Sunday afternoons, and even recorded a live album there (right). This Sunday, the inn celebrates its 90th birthday, and the highlights include a performance by the Stompers.

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THE 5TH annual Meet the Makers Art & Wine Walk will showcase artists, Monterey County's winemaking prowess and local chefs' culinary skills in downtown Carmel Saturday, Oct. 12, from 4 to 7 p.m.

Starting in Devendorf Park at Junipero and Ocean and organized in partnership with tourism group Visit Carmel, Carmel Art Walk and the Monterey County Vintners &

Soup to Nuts

Growers Association, the event is "a celebration of artistic heritage, viticulture and culinary innovation."

Featured wineries will share their best offerings from one of the most significant wine regions in the state, particularly where chardonnay and pinot noir are concerned.

Guests will be invited to stroll through the village and visit participating galleries, which will be marked by the signature blue lanterns they use during each month's Carmel Art Walk. The annual Meet the Makers event "cel-



Hidden Hills brewery in the Barnyard shopping center is producing and pouring some exceptional beers that are now popping up on local drink menus — there's a a blonde ale, a red Irish-style ale, a fruit sour and many others.

ebrates the creative essence of the village."

Participating galleries include Aaron Chang Gallery, Delia Bradford Gallery, Carmel Art Association, Edi Matsumoto, Gallery North, Galerie Plein Aire, Gallery Sur, Jennifer Perlmutter Gallery, Joaquin Turner Gallery, Kathy Sharpe Gallery, Lilli-Anne Price Contemporary Fine Art, Lisa Bryan Gallery, Meuse Gallery, Patricia Qualls Gallery, Nicole Cromwell Gallery and Scott Jacobs Gallery.

To ensure no one goes thirsty, Bernardus, Chalone, CRU Winery, De Tierra Vineyards, Folktale, J. Lohr, JL Wood Wine, KORi Wines, Riboli Family Wines of San Antonio, Scheid, Talbott, Tira Nanza and Hidden Hills Brewing and Blending have signed on to pour.

And, of course, all of that sensory overload must be complemented by snacks from Carmel Honey Company, the Nut Hut, Carmel Caramels and What's Popp'n Popcorn.

In addition, the author and photographer of "Carmel & Big Sur Painters: Bohemian Legacy," Randy Tunnell, will be there to share his compilation of 100 photographs of local artists in their studios and galleries, "allowing readers to connect art with the faces behind the work."

Tickets are \$45 per person and can be purchased through Eventbrite.com by searching for "Meet the Makers Art & Wine Walk (Carmelby-the-Sea)." Proceeds benefit the Youth Arts Collective and the Monterey Wines Scholarship Fund.

■ Put your paws in the air for Yappy Hour

Friday, Oct. 4, from 4 to 6 p.m., the lower level of Carmel Plaza will be the place to meet

Shown here, Delia Bradford is one of many artists who will participate in the Meet the Makers Art & Wine Walk on Saturday, Oct. 12, in downtown Carmel. Winemakers, food vendors and a chance to talk with author/photographer Randy Tunnell are also in the plans.

and greet other dogs and their people. Among other activities, you can have a pet psychic figure out what's going on inside your bestie's wee little noggin, and shop petfriendly vendors. The event will raise money for Max's Helping Paws, a local nonprofit that provides financial assistance for dog and cat owners whose pets are having health crises.

■ Turning the Peninsula pink

Breast Cancer Assistance Group, those fine folks who offer local breast cancer patients grants to help out with food, housing, utilities, transportation, childcare and other living expenses, has hooked up with a number of local businesses for Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Food and wine listings are below, and you can visit the group's website at beagme.org to learn more — especially about the Party in Pink raffle hosted by Carmel Valley Athletic Club.

Throughout October, McIntyre winery is donating 15 percent of sales of its 2021 Rosé of Pinot Noir, Portola

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Fleet Feet in Monterey, the Marina Fire Department, Chamisal Tennis and Fitness Club off Highway 68, Mopane in the Crossroads shopping center, and Monterey Football Club are also offering promotions and events to help raise funds for the cause.

■ Dinner fix at the Covey Grill

The Quail's Covey Grill is offering three-course prix-fixe dinners every Wednesday night from 5 to 9 p.m. Weekly menus will be posted on Instagram, Facebook and X. Offerings for Oct. 2 included appetizers of Beef and Waffle, Baby Beets and Ricotta, or Squash Velouté, followed by entrée selections of Beef & Brussels, Mr. Lassen Trout, and Chicken and Leeks. Raspberry shortcake was presented as a sweet finish. We're told the price has been holding steady at around \$59 per person, but is subject to change depending on the menu. The Covey Grill is at 8205 Valley Greens Drive, and you can call (831) 620-8860 for more information.

■ Scary stories and wine

On Sunday, Oct. 20, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., Holman Ranch Tasting Room at 18 W. Carmel Valley Road will host a family-friendly Spooky Story Time. A winery representative said that Holman Ranch is partnering with Carmel Valley's Olivia & Daisy Books to bring you and your little ones "an afternoon of festive fun" in the spirit of Halloween. Kelsey Boyte, owner of the bookstore, will read from Halloween-themed books and guide the little ones in a bookmark-making activity.

A \$50 family ticket also includes one hardcover Halloween-themed children's book from Olivia & Daisy, a sweet treat for the family, a juice box for each child and a glass of Holman Ranch wine for each parent (two glasses maximum). Reserve your spot at exploretock.com.

Treasure at the hoedown

Interim Inc., the Monterey nonprofit whose mission is to "provide services and affordable housing supporting members of our community with mental illness in building productive and satisfying lives," is having its signature event, the Hoedown: Chests for Charity, on Oct. 17. The event will be held at Hidden Valley Music Seminars, 104 W. Carmel Valley Road, from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Western attire is suggested, and, after a barbecue dinner, there will be country

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Holman Ranch's tasting room and patio will be the scene of some kid-friendly Halloween storytelling on Oct. 20. The tales will be read aloud by Kelsey Boyte, owner of Olivia & Daisy Books in Carmel Valley, and adults can enjoy some wine.



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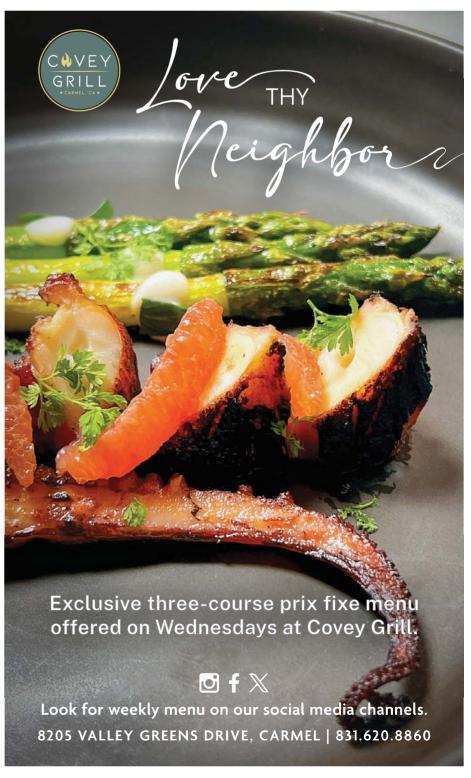




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■ In plain sight — on menus, at least

If you're noticing some new beers on beverage menus around town, they may be from Hidden Hills, an aptly named brewery tucked into a corner of the Barnyard shopping center. The brainchild of Jeffrey Vitalich, a longtime Carmel Valley resident, Hidden Hills is no longer only being served in the brewery's tasting room — it's taking up more space on local beverage lists at places like O'Callaghan's Irish Pub (also in the Barnyard), Hacienda in Carmel Valley, and Shearwater Tavern in Carmel Mission Inn

Vitalich began as a hobbyist in a brewery he built in his family's garage during college, and his weekends were often spent making beer or visiting brew pubs. Upon graduating with an engineering degree from CSU East Bay in Hayward, he had a decision to make — go into tech or aerospace in Silicon Valley or accept a position with a brewery. Faced with a such a seemingly weighty choice, he did what any new college graduate might do — he put it off to take a trip through Europe.

He visited breweries in several countries, and upon returning, he began working for the Gordon Biersch Brewing Co. and eventually found his way back to Carmel. Three years ago, he enlisted his brother Joseph and purchased Carmel Craft, a small brewery at The Barnyard. According to Jeffrey, customers constantly referred to Carmel Craft as a "hidden gem," so the name change to Hidden Hills was easy.

Brews made by Jeffrey rotate with the seasons and, at the moment, you can still taste some fun sours from the end of summer as well as the new fall lineup, which includes more robust and savory flavor offerings.

Here are a few suggestions:

Valley Side — California blonde ale. Slightly green, but barley-rich with subdued peach flavor characteristics.

La Madrugada — Lager. The name loosely translates to "those who wake up early to tackle the day," and comes from its bright coffee notes. It has a light mouthfeel but finishes dry. The word in the beer industry is that this beer is "crushable," meaning easy to drink.

Left on Red — Red ale. Made with British malted barley, this take on Irish-style malt has forward fruit characteristics.

The End is Rye — This one's citrusy, and the hops shine just as much as the malt backbone with some spice on the back end.

Watermelon Ranch — Fruit sour ale. Lots of distinct watermelon flavor with a sour and tangy end.

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

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Javier Farias to create a five-movement piece as a tribute

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Live music Oct. 4-10

■ Big Sur

Big Sur River Inn — singer and guitarist Rick Chelew (Saturday at 12:30 p.m.), The Abalone Stompers (Dixieland jazz, Sunday at noon). 46800 Highway 1.

Fernwood Resort — Scarlet (rock, Saturday at 10 p.m.). 47200 Highway 1.

Carmel

Barmel — Jazville (jazz, Sunday at 7 p.m.), singer and guitarist Chris Jamez (Thursday at 7 p.m.). In Carmel Square on San Carlos north of Seventh.

Cypress Inn — singer and pianist Dino Vera (jazz, blues and r&b, Friday at 7 p.m.), pianist Gennady Loktionov and singer Debbie Davis (cabaret, Saturday at 6:30 p.m.), The Andrea Carter Trio (jazz and pop, Sunday at 11 a.m.), guitarist Richard Devinck (classical, Sunday at 6 p.m.), singer Lee Durley and pianist Joe Indence (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). Lincoln and Seventh.

Hyatt Carmel Highlands — singer and pianist TJ Kuenster (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and pianist Dino Vera (jazz, blues and r&b, Saturday at 8 p.m. and Thursday at 7 p.m.). 120 Highlands Drive.

The Links Club — Vinyl Revival (rock, Friday at 7:30 p.m.), Sixth Street Alternative (rock, Saturday at 7:30 p.m.), Singer-Songwriter Showcase (Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.). Carmel Plaza, Mission and Ocean.

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 Street.

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■ Carmel Valley

Bernardus Lodge & Spa — pianist Joe Indence (jazz, Friday and Saturday at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist Casey Wickstrom (rock and blues, Saturday at noon), pianist Mathias Morris (classical, Saturday at 6 p.m.), guitarist John Sherry (rock and blues, Sunday at noon). 415 W. Carmel Valley Road.

Blue Fox Cellars in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Kyle Kovalik** (Sunday at 2 p.m.). 25 Pilot Road.

Folktale Winery — The Al James Duo (r&b and blues, Friday at 11 a.m.), singer and guitarist Adrea Castiano (Saturday at 2 p.m.), singer and guitarist Peter Barnes Martin (jazz, Sunday at 11 a.m.), Goodnight, Texas with singer and guitarist Madeline Hawthorne (Americana, Thursday at 5 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Pood

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

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— singer and guitarist Dan Cioper (Friday

at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kito Rayburn** (Saturday at 6 p.m.). 316 Alvarado

Bon Ton LeRoy's Lighthouse Smokehouse — singer and guitarist **Frida Vossler** (Saturday at 7 p.m.), Open Mic Night (Thursday at 7 p.m.). 794 Lighthouse Ave.

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

Cibo restaurant — 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.

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

Intercontinental Hotel — guitarist John Sherry (rock and blues, Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.), singer and guitarist Zack Freitas (Saturday at 9 a.m.), guitarist Terrence Farrell (Latin music, Sunday at 9 a.m.). 1 Old Golf Course Road.

Melville Tavern in Monterey — singer and guitarist **Casey Frazier** (Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.). 484 Washington St.

Midici Pizza — singer Akina Miyata and keyboardist Bill Spencer (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St.

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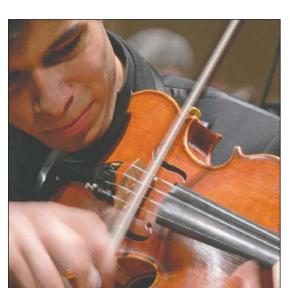
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Herod Trio (jazz, Wednesday at 8 p.m.). 214 Lighthouse Ave.

Salty Seal Pub — Sweet Tooth (classic rock, Friday at 8 p.m.), The Chuck Brewer Band (rock and blues, Saturday at 8 p.m.), singer and guitarist Matt Masih (Sunday at 4 p.m.), singer and guitarist Dan Frechette (Thursday at 7 p.m.). 653 Cannery Row.

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PG's Meetinghouse — singers and guitarists Alx Krys and Mark Hughes (Friday at 4:30 p.m.), Open Mic (Friday at 7 p.m.), The Kenny Stahl Trio (jazz, Saturday at 6:30 p.m.), mandolinist Dave Holodiloff and guitarist Nelsen Hutchison

(jazz, Sunday at 11 a.m.), **The Dave Holodiloff Duo** (jazz, Thursday at 6:30 p.m.). 599 Lighthouse Ave.

Julia's Vegetarian Restaurant — singer and guitarist Rags Rosenberg (Friday at 7 p.m.), singer and guitarist Kevin Smith (Saturday at 6 p.m.) Andrea's Fault Duo ("folky stuff mixed with surprises," Monday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist Rachel Williams (Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.), singer and guitarist Rick Chelew (Thursday at 6 p.m.). 1180 Forest Ave.

Lucy's on Lighthouse — singer and guitarist Jose Luis Preza (acoustic rock, Saturday at 2 p.m.), Moondance (pop and rock, Sunday at 2 p.m.). 1120 Lighthouse Ave.

Monarch Pub in Pacific Grove — The Katherine Lavin Band (pop and rock, Friday at 7 p.m.). 617 Lighthouse Ave

Phill's Barber Shop in Pacific Grove — **PG-13** (rock, Friday at 7 p.m.). 610 Lighthouse Ave.

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



The Lodge at Pebble Beach — singer and multi-instrumentalist Alison Sharino (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist Scott Slaughter (Saturday and Thursday at 6 p.m.). In the Terrace Lounge at 1700 17 Mile Drive.

■ Sand City

Sand City Art Park — **Rise Up** (reggae, Friday at 5 p.m.). 525 Ortiz Ave.

Singer and guitarist Dan Frechette performs Thursday at the Salty Seal in Monterey.

The Sandbox — flutist Katrina Walter, violinist Rubén Rengel, violist Leonid Plashinov-Johnson and cellist Michelle Djokic (classical, Wednesday at 7 p.m.). Tickets are \$40 for general admission and \$25 for students and active military. 440 Ortiz Ave. sandboxsandcity.com

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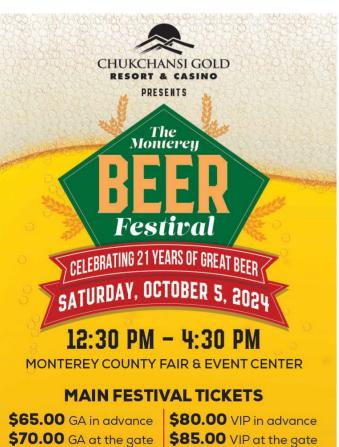
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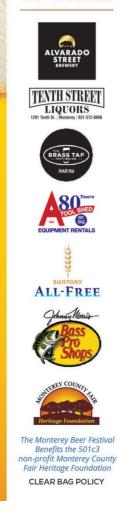


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initiative provided sustenance to families while restoring jobs, showing that Byrne values both compassion and economic recovery.

What truly sets Byrne apart is his ability to collaborate and build connections. He united the Community Foundation and the Carmel Chamber to create programs that supported local businesses. By providing \$50,000 in restaurant gift cards to displaced families and funding seamstresses to make 3,000 face masks, Dale demonstrated the power of teamwork in driving positive change.

Dale's leadership extends beyond crisis management. His commitment to understanding and innovative problem-solving will serve the town well as mayor. With Dale at the helm, there is confidence that pressing issues like traffic, parking, and housing can be tackled effectively.

In conclusion, Dale Byrne is a candidate for mayor who humanizes leadership through his actions and dedication. Voting for Dale means you are supporting a caring and capable leader who is dedicated to making real change. Embrace the opportunity to support a brighter future by voting for Dale Byrne!

Carol Crandall, Carmel

'Priceless expertise' Dear Editor,

With two valued council folks stepping aside, our village is honored to have the stellar candidates of Hans Buder and Bob Delves running for these seats. They bring priceless expertise to our city leadership that is critical to the challenges we face.

From the state-mandated affordable housing to optimizing our city's budget, their insights, maturity, respect and process guidance with citizen engagement will be invaluable to us all in 2025 and beyond.

I look forward to thanking Karen Ferlito and Bobby Richards for their past contributions and toasting the incoming councilmen of Buder and Delves come Nov. 5.

> Nancy Ann Twomey, Carmel

Questions, questions Dear Editor,

Listening intently to both candidate forums a few times, I and several other residents question why Dave Potter should continue his role as Mayor of Carmel. Our concerns are as follow:

- Part-Time Residency: Dave Potter's frequent absences, flying in from his home in Massachusetts for city council meetings, raise serious questions about his commitment to Carmel. A mayor must be fully engaged in the community to effectively address residents' needs.
- Poor Communication Skills: Potter has admitted to health issues affecting his speech, hindering effective communication. Many struggle to understand him, including my husband and myself, which undermines his ability to engage meaningfully and advocate for our concerns.
- Questionable Priorities: Potter's focus on expanding his cannabis business raises ethical concerns. His partnership with a political relations consultant suggests that personal financial interests may take precedence over the needs of Carmel
- Backroom Deals and Lack of Transparency: Known for conducting backroom deals, Potter erodes trust among constituents. Transparency is crucial for effective governance, and his secretive approach raises serious questions about his integrity and accountability.
- Neglect of Community Needs: Throughout his tenure. Potter has failed to prioritize the maintenance and improvement of Carmel. His lack of engagement has resulted in neglected infrastructure and a community whose members feel unheard. A mayor should champion the town's well-being, but Potter's leadership has not reflected that commitment.

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In summary, Dave Potter's part-time residency, poor communication skills, questionable priorities, lack of transparency, neglect of community needs, and reliance on the past convenient incumbency make a compelling case for his retirement. Carmel deserves a leader who is fully committed to its future-someone who can provide the focused, dedicated, transparent direction, putting community input first. Bottom line, residents deserve fresh leadership.

Lindamarie Rosier and Friends,

P.G. pay rates Dear Editor,

In the Sept. 20 issue of the Pine Cone, a union representative for city workers in Pacific Grove called into question a statement I made concerning the pay for Pacific Grove workers in comparison to what the neighboring cities are paying. He asked for some clarification. In the limited space I have, let's take the Pacific Grove human resource person who hires 35 people a year, half of which are in the summer. She cost \$178,098 in 2021, \$244,165 in 2022 (the last years available). Carmel's HR director cost \$125,842 in 2021 and \$143,462 in 2022. In addition, the P.G. HR person has

The concept, presented by the union rep, that the average employee is paid 5 percent below the equivalent does not hold up to scrutiny (check out Transparent California). This doesn't even address the police chief, who cost the taxpayers more than \$300,000 last year without showing up to work and with no explanation to the citizens as to why.

So, Mr. Heron, union reprsentative who lives hundreds of miles away in Redding, maybe you and I can negotiate the next contract and adhere to the terms you claim are followed in your letter to the editor. While we're at it, the workers you represent might want to question why you

make almost \$200,000 a year in pay and benefits. I guess it's because you get them those juicy contracts when everyone else is living hand-to-mouth and being taxed to

> Daniel Miller, Pacific Grove

'Good riddance' Dear Editor.

As a former Pacific Grove police officer, I cannot stay silent on the damage caused by Police Chief Cathy Madalone during her time in office. Chief Madalone created a clear political divide within the community and police department, using her position to push a political agenda that was inappropriate and divisive. Rather than focusing on the needs of the community, she repeatedly allowed personal politics to seep into her leadership role, alienating a significant portion of the town.

Her lack of transparency regarding her on-duty injury further deepened the community's distrust. At a time when the people of Pacific Grove needed leadership, Chief Madalone hid behind a wall of silence instead of offering clarity and openness. Yet she openly and repeatedly spoke about me and my investigation This is not the level of accountability we deserve from someone in her position.

Worse still, under her command, the department became a toxic place to work. After I was unjustly fired, officers who supported me found themselves bullied and retaliated against. Chief Madalone created a culture of fear and division, driving away several good, dedicated officers who refused to tolerate her poor leadership and blatant political agenda.

Pacific Grove deserves a police department that prioritizes the safety and unity of its community, not one driven by personal politics and retribution. Chief Madalone's departure should have come sooner, but the damage she has caused to both the department and the community will take a prayer to repair.

Michael Gonzalez,

former Pacific Grove police officer

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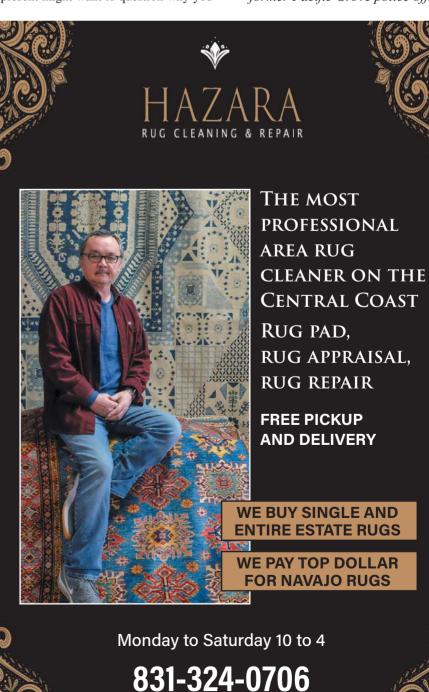
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CELEBRATING THE legacy of one of the Monterey Peninsula's most important and fascinating artists, Monterey welcomes a special two-day Jo Mora Gathering this weekend.

The event kicks off Saturday with a symposium at Stanton Center, 5 Custom House Plaza in Monterey, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., which will be followed by the opening reception for an exhibit of Mora's distinctive maps.

On Sunday, Mora-related items from the collection of

Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

the historic adobe, Casa Serrano, 412 Pacific St., will be displayed.

According to publicist Wendy Brickman, the gathering honors "a respected and popular artist" whose work crossed over into many mediums.

"The Jo Mora Gathering offers a comprehensive exploration of Mora's extensive and diverse portfolio," Brickman said. "Enthusiasts and newcomers alike can look forward to an engaging and informative weekend celebrating this remarkable artist."

For more details, visit montereyhistory.org



Winfield Gallery's "Animals," which includes art by Andrea Johnson, Susan Manchester, David Ligare and others, opens Sunday with a reception at 3 p.m. The show continues through Nov. 3.



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Oct. 4 – Opening Reception: Texture: Proof of Presence with an introductory talk by Patrick Frank, author: Prebles Artforms; Manifestos and Polemics in Latin American Modern Art; Art of the 1980s As If the Digital Mattered. 5:30 to 7 p.m. www.pacificgrovelibrary.org

Oct. 5 – Don't miss the 21st Annual Monterey Beer Festival at the beautiful Monterey County Fair & Event Center to benefit the Monterey County Fair Heritage Foundation. Hundreds of craft beers to sample, delicious food, a great live band and a DJ. Clear Bag Policy. For tickets, go to www. montereybeerfestival.com.

Oct. 5-6 - The first ever Jo Mora Gathering is coming soon to the Stanton Center & Casa Serrano in Monterey and Trotter Gallery in Pacific Grove. Saturday will include numerous presentations about Jo Mora by experts from around the west (9-3:30) and a reception (3:30-5) for the largest exhibit of Jo Mora's cartes (maps) ever assembled. Sunday (1-4:30) will provide opportunities to view and learn about Mora's work at Casa Serrano and the Trotter Gallery. Go to www.montereyhistory. org select Stanton Center, & click on Events for ticket info.

Oct. 6 – Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula will hold its annual Blessing of the Animals at 2 p.m. The church is at 4590 Carmel Valley Road, a mile east of Highway 1. There's no charge. The event's open to all. Owners may request blessings specific to their pets' needs.

Through Oct. 6 - Raise your steins and celebrate Oktoberfest at Peter B's Brewpub! Join us for Germaninspired fun, featuring traditional foods, live music and German beer. Our brewmasters have crafted an exclusive Oktoberfest beer that perfectly complements our special menu. Wear your Lederhosen and get 15% off food! Visit peterbsbrewpub.com for details.

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Oct. 11 – Texture, Imagination, and the Figure, a conversation with Ruth Bolduan and Heidi McGurrin. Moderator Richard Whittaker, publisher and editor of Works and Conversations and Conversations.org 5:30 to 7 p.m. www. pacificgrovelibrary.org

Oct. 12 – Join us at our Plant Fair, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Cooper Molera Adobe garden. Succulents, roses, plants from Cooper garden stock, and more. Sponsored by the Historic Garden League. 506 Munras Ave., Monterey. Cash only, please.

Oct. 12 - Birder's Night Market: Explore bird-inspired art



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Oct. 18 – Award-winning poet and Robinson Jeffers scholar Tim Hunt will give a poetry reading, 7 p.m. at Tor House (26304 Ocean View Ave., Carmel, 93923). Admission \$15. Reservations, which are required, at www.torhouse.org. Seating limited. Reception following the reading. For more information: (831) 624-1813

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1-under 35 at Old Del Monte, and also was medalist in Catalina's match with Stevenson.

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The Carmel Pine Cone

Minami, the Cougars' No. 2 player, is another sub-40-stroke player with strong fundamentals. The Toro Park resident is the younger sister of Taiga Minami (18-hole average: 74.3), who competed at CCS last fall as a senior at York School.

"To have two freshmen at the top of our lineup makes



PHOTO/KERRY BELSE

Stevenson's deep, talent-laden roster includes junior Coco He, a varsity standout for the third-straight season.

me very optimistic about the next few years," said Bodensteiner, who caddies at Pebble Beach. "It's nice, as a first-year coach, to have that kind of foundation established."

A junior, Sofia Quinonez, a transfer student from Mexico, became athletically eligible earlier this week and is expected to step into the No. 3 spot in the Cougars' lineup. Juniors Sammie Chun, Suhana Dail, and Nancy Ma

Juniors Sammie Chun, Suhana Dail, and Nancy Ma are returning players, and Eva Xu, Luna Zhang, and Irene Kim are varsity newcomers who have seen action for the Cougars.

Catalina had a large enough turnout this season to create a "developmental squad" that will play a JV schedule, coached by Pebble Beach Golf Academy instructor Isabella Doub.

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This business is conducted by a limited liability company Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictifious business name or names listed above on 02/01/2023. Rowan and Hazel, LIC S/Jessica Karl Rice, Manager This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 09/17/2024. Vol. 3-3855372# CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: Sept. 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 2024. (PC 929)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20241650 The following person(s) is(are) doing

business as:
YA AT EEH, 9630 ORACLE OAK PL,
PRUNEDALE, CA 93907, County of
MONTEREY
MICHAEL HIBPSHMAN

This business is conducted by AN INDI-VIDUAL

VIDUAL
Registrant commenced to transact
business under the fictitious business
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S/ MICHAEL HIBPSHMAN
This statement was filed with the County
Clerk of Monterey County of
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PUBLIC NOTICE

In accordance with Sec.106 of the Programmatic Agreement, T-Mobile West, LLC plans to upgrade an existing telecommunications facility at Torres Street & 5th Avenue, Carmel, CA.

Please direct comments to Gavin direct comments to Gavin 818-391-0449 regarding site L. at 818-391-0 SF05816A. 9/27, 10/4/24

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20241774
The following person(s) is(are) doing busi-

HIGHLAND CONSTRUCTION, 3785 Via Nona Marie, #305, Carmel, CA. 93923, County of MONTEREY Name of Corporation: HIGHLAND GENERAL CONSTRUC-

TION, 3785 Via Nona Marie, #305, Carmel, CA. 93923.

usiness is conducted by A CORPO-

RATION.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 03/01/2024

S/ BLAKE STOCKER, CEO
09/19/2024

5/ BLANE STOCKER, CLC
09/19/2024
This statement was filed with the County
Clerk of Monterey County
09/19/2024

Publication Dates: Sept. 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 2024. (PC 938)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20241745 The following person(s) is(are) doing

business as:
JUSTINS GARAGE, 17539 Vierra
Canyon Road #104, Prunedale, CA.
93907, County of MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s):
Justin Paul Cline, 17539 Vierra Canyon
Road #104, Prunedale, CA. 93907.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on09/16/2024

S/Justine Cline 09/16/2024 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County 09/16/2024 Publication Dates: Sept. 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 2024. (PC 939)

Lien Sale Auction Advertisement

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

Auction to be held at 4:00 pm on

October 18th, 2024, at:

October 18th, 2024, at:
www.selfstorageauction.com
The property is stored at:
Leonard's Lockers Self Storage,
816 Elvee Drive, Salinas, CA 93901
Name Of Tenants
Carolina Urbano Aparicio

Hector Aceves Juan Jose Espinoza James Leon Robinson Victor Alfonso Lopez Quinones John Jimenez Gary Jones Cary Jones
Lori Marie Killain
Isabel Mabalot Huerta
10/4/24
CNS-3855725#
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ABANDONED PROPERTY AUCTION

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to sell the abandoned personal property undersigned intends to sell the abandoned personal property described below pursuant to Sections 1983 and 1988 of the California Civil

1983 and 1988 of the California Civil Code.
The undersigned will sell at public sale by competitive bidding on OCTOBER 23, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. on the premises where said property has been stored and which are located at Leonard's Lockers Self Storage, 816 Elvee Dr., Salinas, Ca 93901, the following described goods: Hector Aceves - F91 - Misc. Goods Purchases must be paid for at the time of purchase in cash only. All purchased items sold as is where is and must be removed at the time of sale. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party. 10/4, 10/11/24
CNS-3856279#
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LEGALS DEADLINE: Tuesday 3:00 pm leaals@carmelpinecone.com

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct an Ad HOC – Community Meeting via teleconference and in person on Monday, October 07, 2024, at 4:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, for the following purpose:

Proposed Action: This is an Ad Hoc Meeting to discuss the Overhead to Underground Conversion Project and establish the Carmel Underground Utility

Project Location: Underground Utility District – located on the west side of Ocean

Ave from San Antonio Ave West approximately 800' to the end of the parking lot

To attend in person, visit the City Council Chambers at City Hall located on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues. To participate via teleconference, use this link https://ci-carmel-ca-us.zoom.us/j/86721067021 To participate via phone, dial (253) 215-8782 Meeting ID: 883 6754 1113 Passcode: 200440

The Public meeting will be broadcast live on the City's YouTube Channel at https://www.youtube.com/c/CityofCarmelbytheSea and archived there after

All interested persons are invited to attend via teleconference at the time and Place specified above to give oral or written testimony concerning this matter. Written comments may be submitted to the City Clerk at City Hall located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-

by-the-Sea, California, 93921 or P.O. Box CC, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California

93921 or by email cityclerk@ci.carmel.ca.us prior to the meeting. With respect to

written comments, please submit them at least 2 hours before the meeting in order

to ensure they are provided to the legislative body and made part of the record

Comments received after that time and up to the end of the public meeting will be

saved as part of the record but may not be provided to the legislative body prio

Please direct questions about this item to Javier Hernandez,

jhernandez@ci.carmel.ca.us, or 831-620-2070

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Publicaton Dates: Oct. 4, 11, 2024. (PC 1002)

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Auction to be held at 4:00 pm on
October 22th, 2024:
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The property is stored at:
Coastal Storage Name of Tenants

Ricardo Vasquez 10/4/24 CNS-3856423# CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: Oct. 4, 2024.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20241761 The following person(s) is(are) doing Ine following personner square, some business as: CAFE SOLEIL BISTRO AND DELL 8 W GABILAN ST. SALINAS, CA 93901, County of MONTEREY Registered Owner(s): SS JUAN PABLO ENTERPRISES LLC, 8 W GABILAN ST. SALINAS, CA 93901,

This business is conducted by A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Registrant commenced to transact busi-

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to or during the public hearing.

ness under the fictitious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE S/ JESUS JUAREZ, MANAGING MEMBER

MEMBER
This statement was filed with the
County Clerk of Monterey County on
09/17/2024
10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25/24
CNS-3850907#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25,
2024. (PC 1004)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20241770
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ASPIRE/CENTER FOR SPIRITU-AL AWAKENING, 24751 Handley Dr., Carmel, CA 93923.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

County of I MONTEREY.

County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.:
UNITY OF ESCONDIDO, 24751 HAND-LEY DR., CARMEL, CA 93923
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CALIFORNIA
This business is conducted by a corporation.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. Has not filed since 1996 - June 01.
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 fling pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).

230-6277).
'Gregory E. Penn, CEO
dre: Sept. 12, 2024
uis statement was filed with the County
lerk of Monterey County on Sept. 19,

S/Gregory E. renn, CEO Date: Sept. 12, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 19, 2024.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 1441) et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Publication Dates: Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2024. (PC 1006)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20241825 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following percent The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: HILLTOWN INSTRUMENT REPAIR, 22220 Tara Ct., Salinas, CA

Registered Owner(s):

DESIREE GABRIELLE YOUNGBLOOD

PEDERSEN QUINN MARTIN KAUFMAN PEDERSEN This business is conducted by a married

GUINN MARTIN KAUFMAN PEDERSEN This business is conducted by a married couple. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Sept. 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 the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/Desiree Youngblood Pedersen Date signed: Sept. 30, 2024. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 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: Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2024 (PC 1007)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JOSEPH F. CRIVELLO also known as JOSEPH FRANK CRIVELLO Case Number 24PR000441

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of JOSEPH F. CRIVELLO aka JOSEPH FRANK CRIVELLO

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by PROVIDENCE CRIV-ELLO and PETER CRIVELLO in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

The Petition for Probate requests that PROVIDENCE CRIVELLO and PETER CRIVELLO be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal repre-sentative will be required to give no-tice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files ar objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

Date: Nov. 13, 2024

Time: 9:00 a.m. Dept.: 13

Publication date

Oct. 4, 2024 (PC1005

Address: Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940. If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the

hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a con-tingent creditor of the decedent,

you must file your claim with the cour and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the Calas defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) **60 days** from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney

by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventor and appropriate feets the sesses of th torm DE-134) of the filling of an invest-tory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Re-quest for Special Notice form is avail-able from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: Julie King, Esq. and Tricia L. Man-

ning, Esq. 2100 Garden Road, Suite I Monterey, CA 93940 (831) 275-1002

This statement was filed by Superior Court of California, County of Monterey on Sept. 18, 2024.

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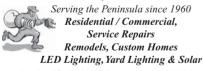
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tourist reported losing his driver's license somewhere inside city limits.







Upon return, it was no longer there.

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Cole Fine Art, which will be the site of a reception from 7 to 9 p.m.

The show offers "an unparalleled opportunity to explore Richard MacDonald's artistic universe." retrospective will showcase a curated selection of Mac-Donald's most evocative and celebrated sculptures and drawings, reflecting his extraordinary ability to capture timeless beauty and poetic expression," the gallery said.

The show continues through the end of the month. The gallery is located at Lincoln and Sixth. dawsoncolefineart.

■ Gallery turns 15

Owned by fine art photographer Rachael Short, Exposed Gallery celebrates its 15th anniversary Saturday at 5 p.m. with a public reception.

"Join us as we celebrate 15 years of Gallery Exposed," Short announced. "We want to thank you for your continued support over the years — appetizers and drinks will be served, and fun will be had."

Besides her own work — which she has captured with an iPhone since being paralyzed in a car accident in 2010 the gallery features images by Ryuijie, Viktor Klinger and Birgit Maddox.

The gallery is located in Carmel Square on San Carlos just north of Seventh.

■ The fine art of texture

Three artists — Ruth Bolduan, Jacqueline Canterbury and Lydia Nakashima Degarrod — and poet Heidi McGurrin explore texture in an exhibit, "Texture: Proof of Presence," which opens Friday at the Pacific Grove Library.

"Each artist uses texture in assertive ways that become one of their work's most attractive and important features," the library said. "The exhibition is designed to promote cultural understanding, community engagement, and creativity.'

The library, which hosts a public reception at 5:30 p.m., is located at 550 Central Ave. The show will be on display through Jan. 4., with a series of related events coming.

■ More than just art

While it's best known for its tasty cuisine, the Haute Enchilada in Moss Landing also offers a compelling display of local artwork, and this Saturday at 1 p.m., you can meet two of those who created it, painter Martha Johnson and jeweler Himani Natu.

The event is part of a series of meet-the-artist gatherings. "Join us for an exclusive opportunity to meet the artists," the restaurant suggests. "From acrylic paintings and

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vibrant collages, to stunning sculpture and mixed media, this is your opportunity to learn more about these one-ofa-kind treasures, hear about the creative processes and shop for unique gifts.'

The restaurant is located at 7902 Moss Landing Road. Other new shows this weekend include Winfield Gallery's "Artists and Animals," which opens Sunday and includes art by Andrea Johnson, Susan Manchester, David Ligare and others (reception at 3 p.m., on Dolores between Ocean and Seventh), photographer Daido Moriyama's "Five Decades," which kicks off Saturday with a 5 p.m. public reception at the Center for Photographic Art (San Carlos and Ninth) and photographer David Gubernick's "Macro to Grand Landscapes," which opens Saturday at the Arts Council for Monterey County's gallery in Salinas (262 Main St.). Also showcasing local artists are Sand City's Night Market 831 (Friday from 5 to 9 p.m. in its Art Park at 525 Ortiz Ave.) and First Night in downtown Pacific Grove (Friday from 7 to 9 p.m.).



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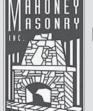
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BLACK VIOLIN

SATURDAY OCTOBER 12, 2024 7:30PM

"[This hip hop violin duo's] music will keep classical music alive for the next generation."— NPR



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