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### COUNCILMAN'S DUPLEX DAMAGED IN KITCHEN FIRE





(Top) Painter Jose Encinas put out a kitchen fire with his trusty extinguisher, garnering praise from everyone, including the police officers and firefighters who responded. (Above) Remnants of the charred cutting boards and other items coated in a layer of the extinguisher's dust.

### ■ Cutting boards left on stove

By MARY SCHLEY

A QUICK-THINKING painter armed with a fire extinguisher saved Carmel City Councilman Bobby Richards' duplex at Monte Verde and Seventh — and possibly the buildings surrounding it — from destruction Monday morning after a renter set the kitchen on fire.

"My tenant left cutting boards on the stovetop because she doesn't cook," Richards said a few hours after the Oct. 14 blaze. "When she walked out, she unknowingly hit a button and turned on the stove and set them on fire.'

### Returns to fire

The woman had left her upstairs unit in the duplex a half-block from city hall, only to return to find the kitchen in flames, according to Richards.

"The painter next door heard her yelling and ran over with a fire extinguisher," he said.

### Potter leads money race as campaign winds down

■ First results expected Nov. 5 at 8:15 p.m.

By MARY SCHLEY

m WITH LESS than three weeks to go before the Nov. 5 election, incumbent Carmel Mayor Dave Potter has raised more money than his two opponents, according to financial statements filed late last month, and the candidates are heading into their final days of campaigning.

Meanwhile, plans are already set for the City of Carmel's traditional election night gathering after the council meeting in city hall, according to city clerk Nova Romero.

City councilman Jeff Baron, whose campaigns are hallmarked by door-knocking, said he plans to spend the next 18 days "doubling back to neighborhoods I've already

### Panetta in Israel again, meets with Netanyahu

By KELLY NIX

IN HIS third visit to Israel since the Oct. 7, 2023, Hamas terrorist attacks, Democratic Rep. Jimmy Panetta met with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in Jerusalem Tuesday to reiterate the United States' support for his country's military operations in Gaza and Lebanon while stressing the importance of limiting harm to civilians and allowing humanitarian aid into those areas.

Panetta was part of a bipartisan delegation that included Michigan Republican Rep. Mike Rogers and fellow Democratic representatives Seth Moulton from Massachusetts and Ro Khanna from California. The group was

See PANETTA page 25A



See FIRE page 20A terey Peninsula Rep. Jimmy Panetta (left).

### Israeli foreign minister Israel Katz (red necktie) meeting in Jerusalem Tuesday with a congressional delegation that included Mon-

### Republicans say bill will drive up prices at pump

■ Newsom claims victory over 'Big Oil'

By CAITLIN CONRAD

GOV. GAVIN Newsom is celebrating his victory over the oil industry this week after signing legislation he hopes will prevent gas-price spikes but opponents say will do the opposite.

The new law requires oil refineries to keep a minimum fuel reserve to dip into rather than go offline when they shut down for routine maintenance. According to the bill's authors, supply shortages during these maintenance events create price spikes, and the hope is reserves will smooth those out. Critics, including Republican lawmakers and neighboring governors, say the new regulations will only drive prices up.

### Complaining and pushing

"Newsom and his Democrat allies in the Legislature are ripping off Californians at the pump, complaining about costs at the same time they're working to push gas prices

even higher," said Assembly Republican Leader James Gallagher in a statement. "Drivers will know exactly who to blame when their fuel costs skyrocket thanks to Democrats' latest mandate."

### **Emergency session**

ABX2-1 was not easy to pass. It failed to make it through at the end of the regular legislative session in August after lawmakers from both parties argued there was not enough time to study it.

The move forced Newsom to call a special session and bring the Legislature back to Sacramento during the height of the campaign season when many lawmakers are running for re-election.

In the end, the governor succeeded, with the Senate approving the bill 23-9 and the Assembly following suit with a 42-16 vote, just one more than the minimum needed for passage. Four Democrats voted with Republicans in opposition, while others abstained.

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canvassed, visiting homes and apartments where I missed people the first time around."

"Personal connections matter, and I want to make sure I meet as many residents as possible this time around," he said. "Second, I'm starting my get-out-the-vote effort to ensure that as many people as is possible head to the polls. Encouraging a strong voter turnout is important, and I'll be focusing on individuals who I believe support my campaign."

#### Walk, talk and listen

Emailing from the League of California Cities meeting in Long Beach Thursday, Potter took a moment to say he will continue to "attend events, call, walk and knock on doors, and listen to the voters throughout the village." He also mentioned his decision "not to do yard signs, in keeping with the character of Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Their challenger, Carmel Cares founder Dale Byrne, said he'll continue his grassroots efforts, including being out and about in town, connecting with residents and businesses, hosting coffees, participating meetings and events — including the city's Halloween parade — sending emails, running Pine Cone ads, "and doing my normal volunteer activities, which are many and diverse.

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### **Pine Cone readers:** Baron has decisive edge for mayor

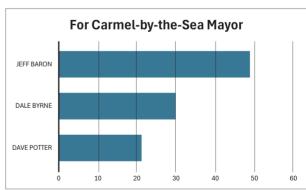
■ Buder, Delves are favorites for council; majority wants street addresses

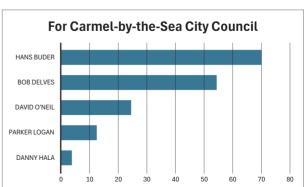
PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

m THE RESULTS of last week's survey of subscribers to The Carmel Pine Cone's online edition show that among the 187 respondents who said they are registered voters in the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea, 48.9 percent favor Jeff Baron for mayor, with 29.9 percent choosing Dale Byrne and only 21.2 percent selecting incumbent Mayor Dave

For council candidates, the results of the poll are equally conclusive, with Hans Buder receiving 70.1 percent of the vote, Bob Delves 54.4 percent, David O'Neil

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Respondents to a Pine Cone survey who said they were registered voters in Carmel-by-the-Sea expressed a strong preference for Jeff Baron for mayor and Hans Buder and Bob Delves for city council. Election Day is Nov. 5.

### Sandy Claws

### She'll be Back

Tulip is a 9-month-old, first-generation Goldendoodle — a cross between a purebred golden retriever and a purebred Poodle — who has a home base in Fresno and a vacation home by the sea. While her people went on their honeymoon, Tulip stayed just south of Ocean, with her "grandpeople."

"Tulip actually makes frequent visits to us and is a regular in our household," her person's parents said. "My daughter and her husband got her at 8 weeks and did a very good job of socializing her. She loves to visit us and loves to be around other dogs."

She also loves to be at the beach. Yet she seems to prefer to keep close to her people, turning to be sure of them. She never runs off.

"Tulip is a little timid about the water," her grandperson said, "but her people have a pool in their Fresno backyard, and they're trying to encourage her to get in and learn to swim. So far, she's only made it to the second step."

At 9 months, Tulip is not entirely aware of her size, so she's characterized by clumsy puppy play. When out on the street, if a leaf drops out of a tree, she will pause long enough to look at it and then subdue it with a single pounce.

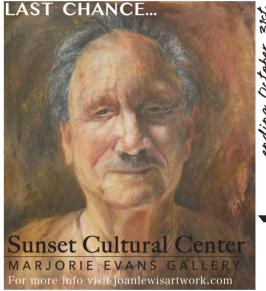
Tulip also likes to collect two or three toys in her mouth at once and then present them to a person or another dog in hopes they are willing to play.



By Lisa Crawford Watson

"I wrote to my daughter and said Tulip has totally ensconced herself in our life," her grandperson said. "We've all developed a daily rhythm, so it's going to be hard to let her leave. I wrote, 'We know you want her back...don't you?' We also know she'll be back."





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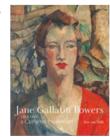
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### Big Sur group calls out 'illegal event center,' wants it shut down

By CHRIS COUNTS

A LOCAL group is urging county officials to crack down on what they are calling "an illegal event center," which is operating on a residential property less than a quarter-mile north of Esalen Institute.

Representing Keep Big Sur Wild, attorney Sara Clark sent a letter to county official Craig Spencer Sept. 23 accusing a business called Wind & Sea of operating in violation of the law. "Despite numerous citations, Wind & Sea continues to illegally operate as a wedding venue," wrote

Use Plan because it does not fall under the listed allowable uses for the applicable 'rural residential' category," the attorney explained. "We request that the county clarify immediately that no permit can be granted. Any permit for it would plainly violate the land use plan."

### Traffic, housing shortage

Keep Big Sur Wild and others have complained that businesses like Wind & Sea are making traffic and the lack of housing down the coast worse. According to Clark, "special event venues like Wind

> & Sea are having severe, negative impacts on the Big Sur community, the availability of Big Sur's limited facilities to the visiting public, the availability of housing, and the area's natural resources."

> At a county zoning administrator hearing July 11, Christina McGinnis of Keep Big Sur Wild warned that allowing Wind & Sea to continue operating is setting a bad precedent.

"This property has flagrantly ignored the violation notices and continues to operate as an illegal event venue with commercial weddings," McGinnis said. "Other properties are

following suit because they're watching what's happening."

The Pine Cone reached out to Wind & Sea for comment about the complaints, which have been ongoing since at least 2016, but didn't receive a response.

In June, county official Josh Bowling

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A glamorous wedding depicted on the Facebook page of Wind & Sea, which some say shouldn't be hosting weddings

Clark, who urged Spencer to "shut down this illegal operation." Keep Big Sur Wild suggests there is no

path forward for the business to be granted a permit under any circumstances because it's located on land that's zoned for residential housing.

"Approval of a permit for Wind & Sea's operation would violate the Big Sur Land



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## Police & Sheriff's Log

October 18, 2024

### Mountain lion enjoys sea breezes

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

### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21**

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Tree branch in the road at Mission and Santa Lucia.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Non-injury vehicle collision on Ocean Avenue.

**Pacific Grove:** A vehicle burglary and vandalism occurred on Central Avenue.

**Pacific Grove:** Report of a restraining order violation. Report forwarded to the Monterey County District Attorney's Office for review.

**Carmel area:** Subject at the Barnyard made suicidal statements and was placed on a 72-hour hold.

### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Suicidal subject at San Carlos and Eighth was placed on a hold. Outside agency assisted.

**Pacific Grove:** A woman, age 44, was stopped at Sunset Drive and Lighthouse Avenue for expired registration and was later arrested for reckless driving and other charges, including driving without a license and possession of cannabis in an open container while driving.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Battery at San Carlos and Seventh at 0232 hours.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Wallet found at Carpenter and Sixth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject at Monte Verde and Eighth reported to be having a mental health episode. Subject did not meet criteria and refused help/resources. Family

member stated they had the situation under control.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Verbal domestic at Junipero and Third.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Public intoxication at San Carlos and Sixth at 2132 hours. A 27-year-old male Outlook Drive resident was arrested and transported to Monterey County Jail.

**Pacific Grove:** Vehicle marked for 72-hour parking.

**Pacific Grove:** Package taken from a private residence on Central. No suspect information.

**Pacific Grove:** A juvenile was contacted out past curfew. The juvenile was issued a warning citation, transported and released to her mother.

**Carmel Valley:** A male adult on El Caminito was transported to the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula for a mental health evaluation.

#### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Aggressive panhandling reported at Carmel Plaza and investigated. No crime determined to have occurred.

Carmel Valley: A female adult was found

deceased at a residence on Carola Drive. **Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Subject was issued

a trespass warning from a business at Mission and Seventh.

Pacific Grove: Towed vehicle with false tabs and registration expired more than six months from Presidio Boulevard and Austin Avenue.

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### The gavel falls

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

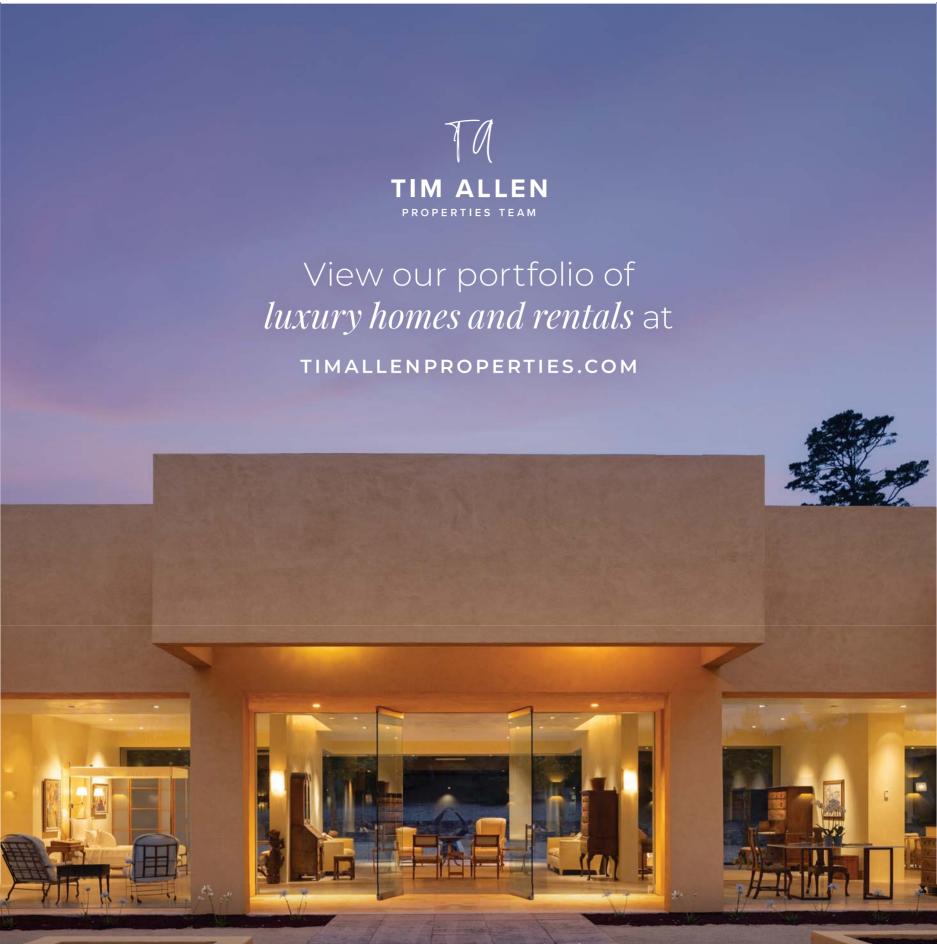
Oct. 3 — Judge Rafael Vazquez found Cipriano Vargas Ramirez, 75, guilty after a court trial of four counts of lewd acts on a child under the age of 14. All four offenses are serious and violent felonies and are considered strikes under California's Three Strikes Law. Ramirez will also be required to register as a sex offender.

On Dec. 6, 2021, Salinas police officers were dispatched to a home regarding Ramirez harming himself. Through the investigation, officers learned that Ramirez had been molesting a young girl, from the time that she was six years old until she was 12. When confronted, Ramirez asked for forgiveness

and tried to harm himself. Jane Doe delayed reporting the incidents for several years. According to research into sexual assault victim behavior, it is very common for victims to delay reporting the sexual abuse, especially when the victim is a minor.

This case was investigated by Salinas police officer Steven Hoyte and Det. Yolanda Rocha. District attorney investigator Rachel Maldonado and victim advocate Alma Sanchez assisted with the court case and the trial. Court facility support dog Norma Jeane provided Doe with support during the trial process and accompanied Doe on the witness stand as well.





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### Motorcycle chase leads to arrest

By MARY SCHLEY

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m A}$  CARMEL man with a lengthy criminal history was arrested at his home in the early morning hours of Oct. 12 after fleeing

on his Harley-Davidson motorcycle downtown and then trying to escape through a bathroom window when police tracked him down.

Shortly before 10:30 Carmel p.m. Friday, Police officer Joe Boucher was on patrol when he saw a 2022 Harley Davidson parked at San Carlos and Seventh and discovered its registration was suspended by the DMV due to lack of insurance, according to Sgt. Gerald Maldonado.

"If the registration is suspended, the vehicle

may not be operated or parked on a public road," he explained, so Boucher called for a tow. As the officer was waiting for the identified himself as the Harley's owner.

But when Boucher explained to Young the bike was being towed because its registration is suspended, "Young stated his bike was not going to be towed and he jumped on it and sped away," Maldonado

said.

"Young drove recklessly eastbound on Ocean Avenue in the westbound lanes," he recounted. "Boucher pursued Young to the highway, where he lost sight of him but could still hear the motorcycle."

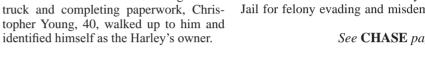
#### At home

It turned out Young didn't go too far. After discovering he lives in the city on Santa Rita just south of Ocean Avenue, Boucher and another officer went to Young's home, where they found his motorcycle and knocked on the door. The man tried to escape through the bath-

room window but failed and was arrested, according to Maldonado.

He was booked into Monterey County Jail for felony evading and misdemeanors

See CHASE page 24A



No repeat of nighttime car show

Christopher Young

By MARY SCHLEY

WHILE THE police officers who staged an unorganized nighttime show in barricaded sections of Ocean Avenue during Car Week were resourceful in doing so and successful in their goals of reducing the number of drivers circulating through downtown and keeping crowds out of the intersections, such an event won't happen again, Carmel Police Chief Paul Tomasi told the city council earlier this month.

During an after-action report on August's Car Week at the Oct. 1 meeting, Tomasi observed that his officers "did a fantastic job controlling the crowds," and the city generally fielded fewer complaints this year than in the past.

"We did take some action by closing down an entire lane on Ocean Avenue and allowing exotics to park there," he said. "I give them a lot of credit for thinking

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### C.V. roundabout to be discussed

Hoping to

next year

break ground

on the project

By CHRIS COUNTS

TWO YEARS after the idea made local headlines, a plan to build a roundabout at the intersection of Carmel Valley Road and Laureles Grade will be the subject of a presentation Thursday, Oct. 24, 5:30 p.m., at Carmel Valley Community Youth Center.

Led by Monterey County 5th District Supervisor Mary Adams' office, the meeting will be streamed online via Zoom. Adams - who said she's sold on the concept of roundabouts — introduced the project at a meeting in June 2022, which drew some skepticism, but a mostly positive response.

'People have been talking about what do at this intersection for a long time, and the idea of a roundabout came forward as the best solution," Adams told The Pine Cone. "I'm really excited about it — we're hoping to break ground on the project next

#### Needs approval first

Before construction begins, the project will need go through a public approval process. Supporters contend the roundabout will lower speeds through the intersection and create a more efficient flow of traffic. They also say it will reduce the threat of runaway trucks.

While some are contending the threat of a collision is overblown, in 2017 a threeaxle truck hauling a load of sod and a forklift lost control and crashed at the site, as did a cement truck that lost its brakes in

Besides support from many residents, a "corridor study" identified the roundabout

as the best option for the intersection, according to the county. While it's uncertain how much the construction will cost taxpayers — or how long it will take to complete — one in Truckee cost \$3.1 million and took five months to build, while another in Colfax cost \$2.8 million and was completed in six months.

> The contractor is set to be the GHD Group, which built the roundabout at Highway 1 and Highway 68.

#### Traffic fix sought

Besides encouraging locals to attend the presentation, Adams addressed the ongoing repaving along Carmel Valley Road which has caused lengthy delays for motorists since early Septem-

ber — and is expected to continue doing so through late November.

The supervisor said she and her staff are exploring ways to reduce the length of delays motorists are facing — and find an efficient way to keep residents updated on when they are anticipated and how long they will last.

On the Carmel Valley Locals Facebook page this week, several residents sounded off on the delays, including one who reported that she was standing still for 25 minutes and another who noted it took 50 minutes to drive from Folktale Winery to Garland Ranch Regional Park. But several others observed that there have been a lot of complaints in the past about the road

Construction is scheduled weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The contractor is Coastal Paving & Excavating Inc. of Monterey. The project is expected to cost \$2.7 million and is being paid for by taxpayers with Measure X and hotel tax funds.

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### THE BIGGEST ISSUE

As I talk to people it's obvious the biggest issue of this election is the Roundabout proposed at the Sunset, Congress and Cedar intersection. This is a boondoggle that will cost a minimum of \$7.5 million with estimates going higher than \$10.0 million. This makes it the biggest public works project in the history of Pacific Grove. Both of my opponents,

as well as Chaps Poduri and Tina Rau who are running for council seats, support this project. They say it is needed for safety, but there hasn't been one piece of evidence showing it will make the intersection safer for anyone including the hundreds of kids that walk through it. There has been one accident there in the past three years!

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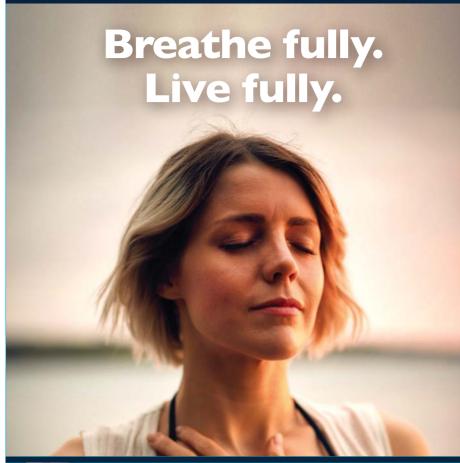
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### Marina says yes to new downtown

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**Reservation Rd.** 

By CAITLIN CONRAD

THE CITY of Marina has a lot going for it, including construction of thousands of new homes, modern commercial zones attracting big-name retailers, and parks with top-of-the-line fields, picnic areas and playgrounds, but what it's long lacked is a true downtown. On Tuesday, the city council decided to do something about it, voting unanimously to certify a

Downtown Specific Plan. "It's always kind of been a pie in the sky, hoping we would finish it because it would make our city a much more walkable and sustainable city, so it is a big milestone," said Marina Mayor Bruce Delgado.

The plan is a guide to develop of a downtown.

It identifies a core downtown area and addresses what it should look like. It would run along both sides of Reservation Road from Crescent Avenue to the intersection at Del Monte Boulevard, where it would turn the corner and continue along the southeast side of Del Monte to Carmel Avenue. The plan also calls for infilling the surrounding streets to the southeast of the core with housing and transitional commercial space with additional housing going in along the northwest side of Del Monte. The transitional commercial zones would look much like the strip malls that already exist along Reservation and Del Monte and would spread out from the core.

#### Walkable, bikeable

The city wants people to live within the downtown area and the plan imagines a space that is walkable and bikeable to attract home buyers and renters to the area. It zones for 2,904 new housing units in addition to 1.3 million square feet of new retail and office space.

Planners made an effort to design an

area that attracts shoppers and diners as well. As businesses rebuild, storefronts will have to be moved up to the street they face and parking will be required to go behind the buildings.

The city is also putting Del Monte Avenue on a car-traffic diet, taking it from four lanes to two and adding bike and pedestrian facilities. Work to do that is already on the schedule and is expected to get underway

over the next two years.

A long history precedes the approval of the plan. In 1978, shortly after it became a city, the need for a downtown was identified. Nothing ever got off the ground, and in 1994 Marina lost 21 percent of its population with the closure of Fort Ord. The numbers have since recovered in a big way, and the

city is one of the few boom towns along California's coast.

### At long last

The recently approved downtown plan has been on the books since 2008. It's moved along at a snail's pace, going through all of the steps to get stakeholder feedback and putting in thousands of staff hours to get it right.

"I didn't think I was going to live long enough to see this happen," said Nancy Amadeo, who was part of the original ad hoc committee on the plan.

The past year has seen the proposal move into the environmental review phase. On Tuesday night the final product reached the city council and, in a late-night, vote it was ayes across the board to certify the

During public comment on the item everyone who spoke was in favor of adopting the plan. "I just want to say this is one of the nicest things I have seen come

See **DOWNTOWN** page 23A

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Marvin Biasotti Retired CUSD Superintendent

### Fourtane robbery case finally to trial

By MARY SCHLEY

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m was}$ arrested following a nearly million-dollar heist from a downtown Carmel jewelry store, Elijah Juarez, now 22, appeared in a Salinas courtroom this week for the start of his jury trial.

Although he's been held in Monterey County Jail since Dec. 8, 2021, the case against him has moved slowly, with repeated delays first of his preliminary hearing and then of the trial itself, including by an unsuccessful effort by his defense attorney last June to get the robbery charges against him dropped.

A recap prepared for the court by Monterey County deputy district attorney Diego Lopez this week describes the incident in which Juarez and three others drove from Stockton in a stolen black Toyota Highlander "to target and rob Fourtane, a high-end jewelry store" the afternoon of Dec. 7, 2021.

### 'Felt scared'

He lists four employees, including an armed security guard, who were in the store at Lincoln and Ocean when the SUV, which had no license plates, pulled up next to the curb, and three passengers, including Juarez and others identified as "Omar A. and Suspect 2," got out. All were wearing long pants, long-sleeved shirts, sweatshirts, gloves and masks, and two were carrying sledgehammers.

"All of Fourtane's employees heard a loud, gunfire-like popping sound as defendant and his cohorts began to break the store's showcases with their sledgehammers," his recap reads, adding that the workers "felt scared for their lives and the safety of their fellow employees."

The three fled with \$932,950 worth of jewelry. By the time police caught up with the stolen SUV on Highway 1 about 25 minutes later, Juarez and Omar A. — a

juvenile — were inside, but the two other suspects and the stolen jewelry were gone.

In Monterey County Superior Court Judge Jennifer O'Keefe's courtroom Monday, Lopez filed several motions, among them a request to share Juarez' criminal history, including a juvenile case in which he was convicted of first-degree burglary and illegal possession of a firearm six years ago and a felony assault charge stemming from an incident in June, if the defendant takes the stand.

### Definition of 'robbery'

He also asked that jurors be advised that Juarez can be found guilty of robbery, which is in part defined by the use of force or fear to take something from someone, even if the victims were not in the same room or directly confronted by him. "Constructive 'immediate presence' is shown when any and all of a victim's sensory perceptions indicate the commission of a robbery," he wrote, and the crime can still be considered robbery even if the perpetrator didn't intend to cause fear.

Those requests sought to counter arguments made by Juarez' defense counsel during his September 2022 preliminary hearing and again in court in June 2023 that the trio went into the store to steal, not to rob anyone, and that their sledgehammers were tools, not threats of force. "The only things that the suspects in the store raised their hammers at were display cases and windows," the attorney said in June 2023 to invoke a code section that "requires the setting aside of an indictment when it appears 'the defendant has been indicted without reasonable or probable cause."

O'Keefe did not agree with the defense. Nonetheless, defense attorney Chelsea Taylor in a trial brief prepared for the Oct. 14 court date reiterated the belief that the prosecution "cannot meet their burden of

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### Looking at huge shortfall, supes say no new hires

By KELLY NIX

Facing the possibility of a \$20 million budget deficit in next year's \$2 billion budget, the Monterey County Board of Supervisors this week decided to put an immediate freeze on hiring new employees. But rank-andfile sheriff's office employees warned that the move would put deputies and citizens in danger.

The supervisors Tuesday voted unanimously to follow county administrative officer Sonia De La Rosa's recommendation for a hiring freeze on positions funded with general fund revenues and to develop hiring freeze exemption guidelines.

"We know that the cuts are going to be difficult, but we also need to start, otherwise we will face even bigger cuts in the 2025-2026 fiscal budget," De La Rosa said at the meeting in Salinas.

In a report to the supervisors, De La Rosa spelled out the apparent cause of the possible deficit. Though the county

has had continued growth in discretionary revenues, "the growth is not sufficient to keep up with the increased cost of doing business."

### Risky decision?

The report also noted the county had been "efficient" in its management and stewardship of taxpayer dollars, but that it faces "significant challenges," including the cost of responding to emergencies, increased labor costs and "dwindling state and federal one-time and grant resources."

Monterey County and other counties were flush with generously distributed federal funds during the Covid pandemic, but that money has dried up. The bad news comes about four months after the county held hearings on the

While the freeze is intended to avoid layoffs, some sheriff's office employees, including Juan Lopez, a director for the Deputy Sheriff's Association, suggested the move could put lives at risk.

"By implementing a hiring freeze for deputy sheriffs, not only are we putting our deputies and the public in danger, but the county will be spending more money on overtime by forcing deputies to get held over and come in on our days off to fill vacant positions," said Lopez, who encouraged the supervisors to consider exempting the sheriff's office from the hiring freeze.

Some employees, he said, are already working 16-hour

Sheriff's employees Betsy Martinez, who works at the Monterey County Jail, also noted the staffing shortage because of workers on disability and those in training, and said she and others are mandated to be there on weekends to cover the shifts at the Salinas facility.

"It's very difficult to maintain a household and have a family or raise children when I can't guarantee a day off for my family," Martinez told the supervisors.

Sheriff Tina Nieto said the hiring hold would be very bad for county residents.

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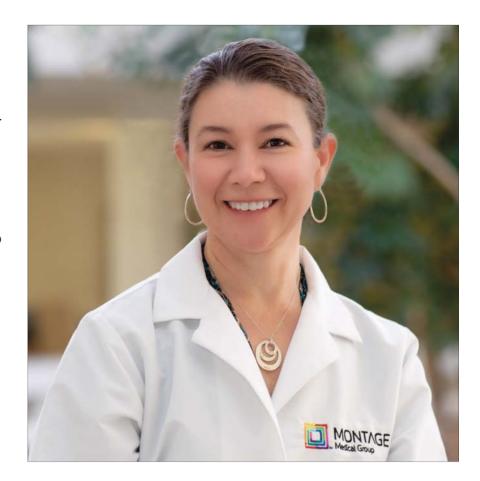
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# Montage Health strongly encourages respiratory vaccinations for flu, RSV, and COVID-19 this fall

By Dr. Martha Blum, Medical Director, Infection Prevention, Montage Health



WITH RESPIRATORY VIRUS SEASON APPROACHING, many people have questions about how to best protect themselves and their loved ones, whether they should get the flu, respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), or COVID-19 vaccine, and whether they can get them at the same time.

There are things we can do to reduce our chances of getting or spreading respiratory viruses, including washing our hands frequently, masking when in places with higher risk for exposure, gathering in well-ventilated or outdoor areas, staying home and isolating when you are sick, and getting vaccinated.

The annual flu vaccine is safe to get at the same time you get your updated booster dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. While the flu and COVID-19 have similar symptoms, vaccination against one does not protect against the other, and neither vaccine interferes with the effectiveness of the other.

This year the CDC again recommends getting both an annual flu vaccine and the updated

2024–2025 COVID-19 vaccine. The RSV vaccine does not require a booster and is still recommended for people who are at high risk for serious illness who have not yet had it. Pregnant people, people 75 or older, and people over 60 with certain medical conditions like chronic lung disease are recommended to get a single dose of the RSV vaccine.

In preparation for this year's respiratory virus season, most Montage Health employees will receive the annual flu shot before the end of October. Why do we do it? First, to protect our patients. The flu can be transmitted to someone else 24 hours before symptoms even appear. Some people with the flu don't even exhibit all the symptoms. Second, we do not want to miss work. A typical flu can keep a healthcare worker out for up to seven days. We want to be here to care for our patients.

### Vaccine myths

You cannot get infected from these vaccines because none contain infectious virus. Vaccination may cause some people to feel feverish, achy, and run down "Getting infected is not better than getting vaccinated... Even mild illness causes significant disruption to work and school routines and can adversely affect social and holiday gatherings."

— Dr. Martha Blum, Medical Director, Infection Prevention, Montage Health

— symptoms commonly associated with viruses. But these symptoms after vaccination are mild, short-lived, and an indicator that the immune system is working to make antibodies to protect you in case you are exposed.

Getting infected is not better than getting vaccinated. Each year influenza, RSV, and COVID-19 are responsible for millions of illnesses and thousands of hospitalizations and deaths. Even mild illness causes significant disruption to work and school routines and can adversely affect social and holiday gatherings. Many people wait to get the vaccine thinking that if they get it later, it will better cover them the whole season. It takes about two weeks for the

vaccine to work at its full potential, and some people get exposed and sick during that time.

Don't wait for infections to be widespread in the community before getting vaccinated. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the best time to get respiratory virus vaccines is in September or October.

### Protect yourself and your loved ones

Flu, RSV, and COVID-19 vaccines are readily available in our community, and most insurance companies reimburse 100 percent of the cost.



### Air samples show low levels of pesticides near county's farms

By KELLY NIX

THE DIRECTOR of a state agency that monitors pesticide sales and use said this week that air samples collected last year in Watsonville and several other areas did not detect pesticides at or above unhealthy and regulatory thresholds.

The California Department of Pesticide Regulation Monday released its newest report, which concluded that 95 percent of the samples it collected in 2023 at its monitoring stations in Oxnard, Santa Maria, Shafter and Watsonville did not contain detectable pesticides. Staff at the sites collect weekly air samples and test them for 40 chemicals used by farmers.

Twenty-one pesticides were not detected at all, 11 were detected at very low, trace levels which indicates unlikely risk to or impact on people's health, and seven were detected at "quantifiable levels," with detections "falling below health-protective screening levels or regulatory

targets," the agency said.

"I am encouraged to see that all of the 2023 pesticide concentrations fall below our health screening levels," director Julie Henderson said.

However, one of the tested pesticides, chloropicrin, peaked "just below the health screening level."

"We are still evaluating the concentrations of chloropicrin and are committed to continue collecting and reviewing our data rigorously to identify areas of potential concern, trend lines or anomalies that indicate a need for closer investigation or action," Henderson explained.

### **Health complaints**

The report comes about six months after a Pajaro Valley teachers union, Monterey Bay Central Labor Council and other plaintiffs filed suit against Henderson and the California Department of Pesticide Regulation, the Monterey County Agricultural Commissioner and others for allowing the use of pesticides near schools.

"Schoolchildren, teachers, farmworkers and other community members in Monterey County's Pajaro Valley have long suffered dangerous and disproportionate exposure to pesticides," the complaint filed in Monterey County Superior Court alleges.

The plaintiffs claim that the state's monitoring stations "consistently record unhealthy fumigant levels in the air near Pajaro Valley schools," and the defendants allowed farms in that area to "apply nine million pounds

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### Skincare store owner sued for not paying rent

By MARY SCHLEY

LREZ CHEN, who was connected with several of the downtown Carmel skincare shops that received numerous complaints for street hawking and ripping off customers over the past several years, is being sued in Monterey County Superior Court for failing to pay rent on a Cannery Row storefront.

According to documents filed Oct. 7, Chen and another man, Omiri Siliki, leased a space in the Steinbeck Plaza Shopping Center at 685 Cannery Row from the Cannery Row Co. in late 2020 for a business they called Always Amazing. They committed to a five-year agreement set to expire Nov. 30, 2025.

But they abandoned the space in November 2023 and skipped out on the rent, according to the lawsuit, which indicates they owe \$38,365 for the June 1, 2023, to Nov. 9, 2023, period, and another \$34,567 for damages and other charges under state law.

### **New tenant**

Alexander Hubbard, the Monterey attorney representing the Cannery Row Co., said the landlord found another tenant to move into the space, but not until January. In addition, due to repairs and construction, the company gave the new occupants free rent in January and February,

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### Newsom signs bills on spay-neuter, pet insurers

By KELLY NIX

BILLS AIMED at reducing overcrowding at animal shelters and requiring more transparency from pet insurers were signed by Gov. Gavin Newsom Sept 26.

Senate Bill 1233, by Republican State Sen. Scott Wilk, seeks to reduce shelter overcrowding by expanding access to low- and no-cost spay neutering services.

The legislation establishes a framework for the state's two accredited veterinary schools to create a first-in-thenation "high-quality high-volume spay/neuter certification program" to enable veterinarians to perform "large numbers of spay and neuter procedures at low or no cost," Wilk

SPCA Monterey County spokeswoman Beth Brookhouser said the nonprofit has offered high-quality, high-volume spay and neuter services since the 1970s, and set a record last year when it performed 7,981 surgeries in Monterey County. The SPCA expects to break that record this year.

#### **Insurer accountability**

"Demand is high and there are still many families here and throughout California in need of affordable spay and neuters for their pets," Brookhouser told The Pine Cone, referring to Wilk's legislation. "We are hopeful that this new law will help meet these ever-growing needs and inspire newly graduated veterinarians to develop a lasting interest in a shelter medicine career."

A bill by Democratic State Sen. Steven Glazer from Orinda strengthens consumer protections and requires more transparency from companies offering pet insurance.

The legislation "strengthens consumer protections and requires more transparency from pet insurers regarding coverage or premium changes based on the age or geographic location of the covered pet," according to Newsom.

Glazer's bill also requires greater clarity in policies that exclude pets' preexisting conditions, and that coverage be issued the second day after receiving the complete application and payment.

The bill "would prohibit the marketing of a wellness program as pet insurance and would specify when a wellness program is considered a pet insurance policy," according to the legislation. "The bill would also update existing definitions and define additional terms, including 'orthopedic,' 'producer,' and 'renewal.'"

Both statutes will take effect on Jan. 1, 2025.

### State official sounds alarm on antisemitism

By CHRIS COUNTS

CALIFORNIA STATE Superintendent of public instruction since 2018 and a Monterey native, Tony Thurmond presents a talk about antisemitism in schools Oct. 27, 5 p.m., at Congregation Beth Israel.

Thurmond, who is black, was raised by cousins who were followers of Hebrew Pentecostalism. They kept a kosher home and observed the Sabbath and major Jewish holidays. Thurmond has said he wants to be "California's first Black and Jewish governor."

#### Served in Assembly

He sponsored SB 693, also known as the Never Again Education Act, which in 2021 established the Governor's Council on Genocide and Holocaust Education, and as the state's superintendent of public instruction, he launched the Education to End Hate initiative in 2020.

Representing the 15th District — which includes Walnut Creek, Concord and Martinez — Thurmond served as a member of the Assembly from 2014 to 2018. He has long spoken out against antisemitism.

"Every time there is an act of hate, every time there is an incident, every time there is a threat, a child is affected, a family is impacted, and a community is destabilized," he said. "History teaches us that when antisemitism rises,

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### **ELECTION** From page 1A

"We are also having supporters doing phone outreach," Byrne said. "Finally, the yard signs have been a fun and highly effective way to allow people to express their support, and that is continuing.

"I'm also in the process of turning over some of my Carmel Cares responsibilities to other volunteer leaders and board members as I get ready for the transition to being mayor," he said.

Anyone who wants to see the drama

unfold in real time in city hall is welcome to remain after the Nov. 5 council meeting ends for an election-night celebration. "Light refreshments will be provided, and we will dis- first meetings on play the Monterey County Elections department's initial results on the projector when they're posted at 8:15 p.m.," she said.

The county will release updated results at 10 p.m. and hourly thereafter until all precincts have reported, but city hall will close at 8:30 p.m., so constituents will have to track those results from elsewhere.

Outgoing councilmembers Richards and Karen Ferlito will attend their final regular meeting Dec. 3, and at a special meeting Dec. 9, the council will adopt the certified election results, recognize Richards and Ferlito for their service, and swear in the newly elected members, Romero said. The new council will hold its first meetings Jan. 13 and 14, 2025.

#### The dollars

According to required campaign finance forms filed in late September, with a year-to-date total of \$25,168 in cash donations, \$16,259 of it raised between July 1 and Sept. 21, Potter's total amounts to more than that of all five candidates for city council, combined.

Those forms also indicate the mayor has spent \$15,657 on campaign consulting, collateral materials, events and ads, among other items, since Jan. 1, including \$10,089 during the past three months. His campaign has no outstanding bills.

### A retired judge

Among the 45 contributors listed on his latest filing who are helping to fund his reelection effort are Pebble Beach resident Valentina Valentine (\$1,000), the Concord-based trust of the Jon and Ann Reynolds family (\$2,000), Taylor Family Farms and Tanimura & Antle executive Tonya Antle (\$1,000 and \$500, respectively),

> and retired Monterey County Superior Court judges John Phillips and Jonathan Price, who contributed \$500 each.

Other Potter donors include Big Sur River Inn executive Alan Perlmutter, with \$1,500, former longtime Mayor Sue McCloud (\$200) and her sister, forest and beach commissioner Sarah Berling (\$198), PR

company owner David Armanasco (\$350), and builder Chris Tescher's Carmel Country Inn, which gave \$1,000.

Baron, who is running for mayor two years into his four-year term, has accumulated \$16,027 in contributions since Jan. 1, with \$14,423 brought in between July 1 and Sept. 21. His year-to-date expenses, also for campaign materials and events, along with credit card payments that don't itemize costs, totaled \$8,195.

Among Baron's 52 donors this period are disaster-prep specialist Wanda Vollmer (\$500), retired attorney Chris Campbell (\$150), Walt Disney Co. writer and Santa Monica resident Daniel Greaney (\$1,000) LandWatch Monterey County executive director Michael DeLapa (\$200) and the Carmel Stamp & Coin Shop, which is owned by retired firefighter Bill Cox and his wife and contributed \$1,588, some of

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Others include Chevron attorney Hewett Pate, who gave \$1,000, radiologist Joan Frisoli (\$500), and architect Ron Brown and former planning commissioner and architect Don Goodhue, each of whom gave \$200. Unitemized gifts of less than \$100 totaled \$2,374.

Byrne — whose yard signs are ubiquitous — brought in \$3,948 during the reporting period, with a year-to-date total of \$5,148. The Carmel Cares founder has also loaned his campaign \$6,140 since the start of the year and has paid \$6,751 in hills

Contributors to Byrne's campaign number 11 since July 1 and include recent city hall critic Noel Carr (\$500), council candidate David O'Neil's husband, William (\$300), Hans Lehman (\$100) and Mark DiOrio, director of projects for general contractor Carroll & Strong, who gave \$300.

In the council race, Hans Buder and Bob Delves have brought in the most so far, with Buder reporting a year-to-date total of \$7,026 and Delves' tally for the same period coming in at \$6,846.

### **Political reporting**

Buder's campaign has written \$1,547 in checks while carrying an unpaid balance of \$3,430 for various bills. Among his vendors is Deane & Co. political reporting and treasury services in Sacramento, which is serving as treasurer, and, like Baron, he includes credit card payments that don't list individual recipients.

Buder received funds from 20 contributors since Jan. 1, including family members Karl and Linda Buder, who work in real estate in Vineyard Haven, Mass., and donated \$1,000 apiece. Deborah Britz, a developer in Sacramento, donated \$200, as did Carmel Stamp & Coin.

Others include Tom Brocato, Chris

Campbell and Carmel Residents Association board member Nancy Twomey (\$150 apiece), jeweler Marcus Robbins (\$500), University of Iowa physician Jonathan Russell (\$1,000) and Inns by the Sea general manager Mark Watson, who gave \$250. Buder also gave himself \$501.

Delves reported minimal payments of just \$675 for the year, and the 18 contributors listed for the recent period include Twomey (\$150) and Watson (\$250). Retired telecom executive Bob Kavner and Carmel Cares volunteer Shirley Moon each donated \$1,000, as did residents Nicki Sturdivant and Susan Prest. Other notable donors include realtor Judie Profeta and former Mayor Ken White, who gave \$250 and \$100, respectively. Noel Carr donated \$250 as well.

#### Accounts payable

With numerous yard signs, ads, materials, consulting and events, David O'Neil has run up the most bills in his campaign, with \$1,724 paid out since Jan. 1 and an unpaid balance of \$10,947.

He's brought in \$4,499 in contributions, including \$2,499 during the most recent reporting period.

Among his supporters are Diane Wilcox, who gave \$1,000, fellow council candidate Parker Logan (\$200), anti-modern activist and former historic resources board member Karyl Hall (\$224) former city councilman Dick Ely (\$150), and Jeffery Schultz and Gary Cocola, each of whom gave \$500. Schultz works in HR for a nonprofit and Cocola is a TV broadcaster, according to O'Neil's form.

Danny Hala reported receiving \$750 from Gerald Buchwald, a retired judge, and he recorded no expenses, while Logan filed a Form 470.

According to state law and the Fair Political Practices Commission, all candidates are required to submit campaign finance statements.

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### **BOB DELVES**

for Carmel-by-the Sea City Council



### Here's what others are saying about Bob

Bob Delves is exactly what we need at the Council level. His experience in city government, including his four years serving on the Carmel Planning Commission is very broad. He will hit the ground running and has my enthusiastic support and my vote. *Ken White – Former Mayor* 

Bob Delves has been on the Carmel Planning Commission for four years where he has demonstrated that he thinks critically. He evaluates issues carefully, clearly sharing his decision-making rationale. Bob uses common sense when problem-solving and brings an analytical approach to financial matters. He is friendly, approachable and welcoming. Bob is ready to serve from the day he is sworn in. *Cindy Lloyd - Carmel native* 

Bob Delves is an unusually gifted individual whose knowledge of local government and of Carmel demonstrate that he has all the qualities that our little Village needs at this crucial time. I believe Bob has the skills we need to set things right and I happily endorse him.

\*Gerard Rose - Former City Councilor\*

Bob is a clear-thinking problem solver. He does his homework, asks questions, and truly listens. This leads to better solutions. With his impressive range of experience in the public and private sectors, I know he is someone we can count on to serve us well on our City Council. *Judith Profeta – Citizen and Business Owner* 

Bob's extensive leadership experience in business and previous government experience in Colorado and his tenure on the Carmel-by-the-Sea Planning Commission will make him a tremendous asset to City Council. I wholeheartedly support Bob Delves for City Council.

\*Graeme Robertson - Citizen, Volunteer, President of Carmel Residents' Association\*

I've come to appreciate how Bob Delves has informed himself about the challenges our unique and fragile village faces. He clearly does his homework and makes decisions based on facts and information. Not conjecture and emotion. He also knows how to listen, and how to keep an open mind. All these qualities make him an ideal candidate, one I'm happy to vote for. Ian Martin – Former Planning Commissioner

Bob Delves will bring to the City Council experience, skills, and direction that will be greatly valued by Carmel-by-the-Sea. He is highly regarded by everyone he has worked with for his engagement with the community. His first campaign plank is fiscal discipline, a quality needed. I will be voting for Bob Delves. Don Goodhue – Former Planning Commission Chairman

Bob Delves has demonstrated the interest, work ethic and leadership skills to be the person we need on the Carmel-by-the-Sea City Council. He has an impressive and lengthy record of leadership in the private and public sectors, including four years on the Carmel Planning Commission, and his service as a mayor in his previous home in Colorado. Bob would make one heck of a good City Council member for our Village. *Jeanne Le Vette - Citizen and Business Owner* 

Bob's experience on the Carmel-by-the-Sea Planning Commission and as a former mayor has greatly impressed us. His financial expertise, especially budget scrutiny and long-range planning is exactly what our town needs. We believe Bob's vision and leadership will bring essential improvements. Mo and Fay Massoudi – Citizens and Business Owners

Bob Delves listens. He asks questions to get the information he needs to make responsible decisions. He has common sense. He is fiscally responsible and has an impressive background. He is a good neighbor who cares about our city, who has proven himself on the Planning Commission. I think the best choice is Bob, and he has my vote. Bob Faussner - Citizen

Carmel-by-the-Sea is lucky to have Bob as a committed and engaged resident and citizen. His current role on the Planning Commission has proven him to be in touch with the residents and protective of our community character. He brings decades of leadership experience which our community needs. Bob has my vote! *Nancy Twomey - Citizen* 

I support Bob because he has been a wise and fearless leader on the Planning Commission. He listens and cares. Carmel is fortunate to have someone as thoughtful and dedicated as Bob willing to serve the community he loves. *Christy Hollenbeck - Citizen* 

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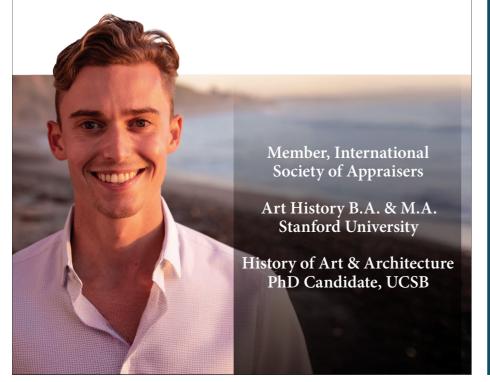
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### Pine Cone writer launches book

By ELAINE HESSER

The Carmel Pine Cone

EVERY WEEK, thousands of people read Lisa Crawford Watson's popular Sandy Claws column in The Pine Cone, as well as her frequent feature story contributions to the newspaper. A prolific writer, Watson has also been asked to pen more than a half-dozen books about local people and places.

Her latest work, "What We Wished For: An Adoption Story," though, is much more personal. It's a memoir about the twin daughters she adopted in 2003. Watson said that she mistakenly believed that since she was a twin, she was well-qualified to take on the challenge. "However, she faces one hardship after another and quickly learns that raising premature babies born with drugs and alcohol in their systems is a feat of sacrifice and unpredictability," says one summary of the book.

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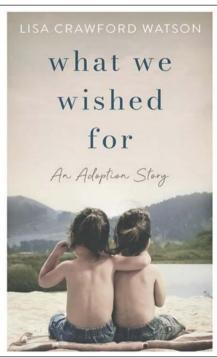
The idea to write about the adoption had been there all along, said Watson. She collected scraps of paper and made notes. "It was a really special story, and I wanted to remember it all," she recalled, noting that "story is how I make sense of my life."

At first, it was almost like she was reporting on it, but then, "I went back in to bring in the emotion and make it personal and honest," she said.

The book started coming together two years ago, when she began attending writers conferences, and "all of a sudden, I was meeting new people" who offered advice, instruction and support.

There will be a launch party on Friday, Oct. 25 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Carmel Woman's Club at San Carlos and Ninth, across from Sunset Center. Tickets are \$35 and include a personally signed copy of the book, wine provided by Talbott Vineyards, and an assortment of appetizers and small bites. To RSVP or for more information, visit amicarmel.com or call (831) 620-1600.

Said the author of "What We Wished For," "It is a narrative I felt compelled to write, not only to heal but to connect with those who might find solace in my words."



PHOTO/COURTESY LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

Lisa Crawford Watson's new memoir recounts her adoption of twin girls in 2003. She thought she knew what she was getting into, but as the deeply personal book recounts, it wasn't easy.

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### Hans Buder: A Suspicious Candidate

By: ALI MINER

Hans Buder's candidacy for the Carmel City Council in the 2024 elections has raised concerns due to his significant affiliations with Sacramento and involvement in low-income housing developments. His ties to McCormack Baron Companies and Long Wharf Real Estate Partners, which focus on developing low-income housing, are particularly troubling. These connections are especially concerning against the backdrop of ongoing legislative efforts in Sacramento pushing for housing bills that could undermine local-level decision-making.

Buder's employment history suggests a possible ideological alignment with Sacramento policymakers who support these bills, potentially posing a threat to the autonomy of Carmel's governance. Given his recent employment in companies benefiting from low-income housing developments, voters are left questioning whether his policies will address local needs or align with Sacramento's broader agendas.

Adding to these concerns is the geographical disconnect between Buder's campaign logistics and the city he aims to serve. His campaign organization, "Hans Buder for Carmel City Council 2024," and campaign bank are both registered in Sacramento, CA listing his campaign address as 1700 Tribute Road, Suite 201, Sacramento, CA. This raises doubts about Buder's true motivation to run as the organization is based far from the constituency he intends to represent.

Moreover, Buder's employment records show he left his positions abruptly at the aforementioned companies just a month before joining the Carmel Residents Association (CRA) board in May 2024. This timing further fuels suspicions about his intentions.

Further inconsistencies can be found in Buder's reported residency. Although he maintains a post office address in Carmel since 2017, his actual residences have only been documented in Pebble Beach and as distant as Massachusetts. Most residents never heard of Hans Buder before May of this year. As reported recently in the Monterey County Weekly he also missed voting two years out of the last five. These discrepancies clash with his claims at the CRA Forum, where he insisted he resided in Carmel-by-the-Sea for the last eight years.

### Buder brings profession of Low Income Housing to Carmel-by-the-Sea?

As the election approaches, these significant Sacramento ties, questionable employment transitions, inconsistent residency claims, and potential inclination towards legislative overreach position Buder as a candidate whose commitment to Carmel's interests isdubious. It becomes crucial for voters to assess whether Buder truly represents the values and transparency the community deserves.

The Pine Cone has been a member of the Carmel Chamber of Commerce for more than 100 years.

### **THURMOND**

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acts of hatred against other communities follow closely."

During his talk, Thurmond will "share his insights" on the challenges of "combating antisemitism and promoting understanding among students of all backgrounds."

Rabbi Bruce Greenbaum told The Pine Cone that one of Congregation Beth Israel's board members reached out to Thurmond and asked him to speak about antisemitism at the congregation. According to Greenbaum, evidence of antisemitism exists in California schools, particularly in the way World War II is taught.

"This is a crucial conversation for our community and our schools," he said. "We are honored to host Superintendent Thurmond, who is committed to ensuring that all students feel safe, respected and valued."

The event is free. Congregation Beth Israel is located at 5716 Carmel Valley Road.

### FREEZE

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"Public safety is a fundamental right for everyone, and this hiring freeze will have a devastating effect on all of our communities," Nieto said.

### 'Compensation expectation'

Monterey County District Attorney Jeannine Pacioni said there are 12 attorney vacancies in her office, and she suggested that a prohibition on hiring new ones will stretch resources even thinner.

"It is not sustainable for our office to go into a hiring freeze where we cannot continue to seek out credible, responsible, intelligent, and ethical prosecutors," she said, noting the high cost of living in Monterey County and the comparably lower salaries prosecutors make here. "We have been doing everything we can to recruit."

Liam McLaughlin, who represents Service Employees

International Union, Local 521 workers, said his concern with the freeze is that "a lot of these workers are going to feel like there's no hope coming," and that "the board and county is telling them you have to make do with what you have."

#### **Further discussion**

District 3 Supervisor Chris Lopez noted the correlation between the cost of living and county employee salaries and its effect on the budget.

"With inflation, there is now an expectation that we compensate our people appropriately," he said. "They earn that pay, but there is an impact and it's a very direct one."

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Lopez said the hope is that the freeze will prevent the county from laying off "a ton of people." Similarly, District 1 Supervisor Luis Alejo said the "earlier we can make some of these decisions and put in some pauses, it's going to lessen the impact, economically, to staffing."

The supervisors will convene Nov. 12 for further discussion on the matter, including which job vacancies could be affected by the freeze.



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### FIRE From page 1A

Jose Encinas, who was working at the recently sold house on the southwest corner, grabbed a coworker and rushed to the unit, climbed the stairs and doused the flames with an extinguisher.

"That's an old, all-wood building," Richards observed. Had the fire spread, "it would have been a mess," he said. The blaze could also have engulfed the house on the corner where Encinas was working and the Green Lantern Inn just below.

"That guy saved the day more than people could ever imagine," Richards said.

As a councilman, Richards, like his colleagues, receives texts from city administrator Chip Rerig or assistant city administrator Brandon Swanson whenever an emergency such as a structure fire occurs. When he received the notification Monday morning, he was alarmed to see the location and confirmed with Swanson that it was indeed his building that was burning.

"I got that text, and I was like, 'Brandon, is that mine?' He said yes," Richards recounted. "He thought I'd gotten rid of it."

Responding to the emergency call, a half-dozen were engines scrambled by the Monterey Fire Department, but the fire was pretty much out when they got there.

Firefighters sprayed water on the outside of the duplex but didn't have to attack the fire inside, minimizing the damage, according to Richards.

"I don't think there's any damage to the lower unit," he said.

#### 'Just don't do it'

Remarking on the wisdom, or lack thereof, of leaving flammable items on top of burners, Richards recalled an incident in which one of his father's tenants in a live-in trailer left something on top of a range that was ignited by heat from the pilot light and ended up destroying the trailer.

"Since then, I've never set anything on my stove — I just don't do it," he said.

Because of the damage to the kitchen, the renter has to find new housing, at least temporarily, and Richards said he told the downstairs tenant, who was away, not to return until he can be sure the complex is sound.

"She's got to move out," he said of the occupant who started the fire. "Everybody has to move out. My concern is making the place safe. There's substantial damage to the kitchen."

Richards said he has a good insurance agent with whom he's worked for years who will assist him in assessing the damage, and that he'll get his contractor lined up to undertake repairs as soon as possible.

Meanwhile, he reiterated his gratitude for Encinas and his helper.

"They were superstars," he said. "I can't believe how much they saved the property damage that could have taken place there and to all the stuff around it."

### **EVENT**

From page 3A

told the newspaper that the property owner "has an open code enforcement case" for unpermitted construction and development in the coastal zone," along with violations for unpermitted short-term rentals and events.

At the July 11 hearing, it was noted that the property owner illegally removed about 30 protected coast buckwheat plants — the host plant for the endangered Smith's blue butterfly. This week, county official Craig Spencer confirmed the county still has an "active investigation on the property," and has "not made a determination on the ability or path toward permitting of events on this property as of today." No hearings are scheduled. "We have an open case and are in conversations with the property owner's representatives," Spencer said.

According to windandseabigsur.com, Wind & Sea offers "affordable packages" for weddings, elopements, vacations, and glamping romantic getaways, "for an incredible experience you will never forget." Its Facebook page boasts "two spectacular oceanside venues to get hitched, host your retreat, shoot your film, or just stay for the night."



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### SURVEY

24.5 percent, Parker Logan 12.5 percent and Danny Hala 3.8 percent. Percentages in the city council poll add up to more than 100 because participants were allowed to make two choices.

The results of the poll indicate that when official election results are announced Nov. 5, Baron will be mayor and Buder and Delves will be elected to the city council. That result would free up Baron's council seat to be filled by the council at a later date via an appointment or a special election.

The Pine Cone also asked readers to indicate their preferences on two hot-button issues. Among respondents who said they are voters in Carmel, 49.5 percent said they would like to see street addresses implemented in the city outright, just 22.3 percent said they want the current system of identifying houses maintained, and 28.2 percent said they would like the issue decided by voters.

Regarding state housing mandates, among registered voters who responded, only 16.9 percent said they think the mandates should be complied with as fully as possible, 22.8 percent said they should be resisted as much as possible, and 60.3 percent said a middle ground should be sought that complies with state mandates while preserving community values.

#### What all respondents say

A total of 314 Pine Cone readers responded to the survey, including Carmel voters and non-voters. Among this broader group, the results were somewhat different. For mayor, Baron got 36 percent, Potter got 33.8 percent, and Byrne received 30.3 percent. For city council, among all respondents, Buder received 67.5 percent, Delves 45.8 percent, O'Neil 27.5 percent, Logan 17 percent and Hala 7.8 percent.

On the topic of street addresses, 45.1 percent of all respondents said they should be implemented outright, 24.4 percent said the current system should be maintained, and 30.5 percent said the question should go to voters.

Among all respondents, 16.4 percent said state housing mandates should be fully honored, 22.2 percent said they should be resisted, and 61.4 percent said a middle ground that fulfills the mandates but preserves community values should be the goal.

And finally, among all respondents, 75 percent said they would be voting for Kamala Harris for president on Nov. 5, with just 25 percent choosing Donald Trump.

### **ROBBERY**

From page 9A

proof beyond a reasonable doubt that Elijah Juarez used force or fear to take property from the victims in this case who were not in his immediate presence." She said surveillance footage will show that Juarez and his co-conspirators entered "an empty jewelry store" to steal valuables and that the security guard only appears on the screen after they've fled with the loot

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In 1949 she married Walter Williams and they moved to Carmel

in 1953, and in 1955 and 1956 became parents to two darling daughters, Ellen and Valerie, born in the old Carmel Community Hospital. After she and Walter parted ways, Marilyn went to work for the Old California Title company where she became Vice President and head of the escrow department, a job that was stressful and challenging and she loved every minute of it for 23 years. She always said she learned something new each day there.

While working in Monterey she was invited to become a member of the Mayor's Committee to help arrange entertainment for the Bi-Centennial Celebration of 1970. On this committee she met the love of her life, Harold (Hal) Kren. They married April 2, 1971.

Marilyn and Hal had a wonderful life for 50 years, playing tennis, bridge, entertaining friends and traveling all over the world.

Marilyn loved singing and dancing (feeling she should have been a Rockette) but she loved being with her family and her friends more than anything. She was a member of the Carmel Cultural Commission, President of the Junior League and the Casa Abrego Club, a founding member of the Board of Alliance on Aging, and in 1988 a member of the Grand Jury. She was a member of the Pebble Beach and Tennis Club, Daughters of the American Revolution and the Society of Mayflower Descendants. Marilyn was on the Board of the Church of the Forest, the Carmel Library Foundation, Mensa, and for ten years painted with the plein air group of the Carel Foundation. She volunteered weekly at the Carmel Hill Care Center (formerly Beverly Manor) for 35 years. Marilyn loved and served her community well.

She is predeceased by her husband Hal and son-in-law Jerry Campbell. She leaves behind her daughters, Ellen Campbell and Valerie Morin, her wonderful stepchildren Jennifer (Wayne), Kati Lewis (Alan), Alan Kren (Margaret), and Michael Leigh Kren. Grandchildren Lindsey Carroll, Jennifer Ross Vanoli, Brian Ross and James Campbell.

A gathering of friends will take place in remembrance of her life on a date yet unknown.

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### FRANK S. MARTIN

When he was 16, Frank S. Martin bravely left his family and came to America from his birthplace in Macoterra, Spain. He began a new life in Monterey in 1957, learning the language and the ways of his new country. He graduated from Monterey High School in 1961.



With a strong work ethic, Frank began his employment as a landscape contractor, a great fit with his love of gardening. He worked hard and saved his earnings with an eye toward future business possibilities. Romance entered the picture when he met Elaina Alliotti, daughter of Italian immigrants who had settled in Monterey. The two were married in January 1965 and were just shy of their 60th wedding anniversary when Frank died of Alzheimer's on Oct. 5th.

Frank's years of saving paid off when, in 1976, he and Elaina opened their own business, Martin's Irrigation Supply in Seaside. Given the predominance of landscaping in the county, it was a wise choice. With his genial nature and

knowledge of his products, Frank built a healthy company. One of the greatest joys in his life was coming to work daily to see all his customers.

He worked the counter until his illness forced his retirement. His son, James, daughter, Monica and grandson, Nathaniel, continue to pilot the company Frank and Elaina started, a now-rare, family-owned and operated business.

Frank and Elaina raised two children in Monterey and were involved in their community. Frank was active in San Carlos Cathedral where he was an usher, the Italian Catholic Federation, CLCA and the Knights of Columbus, belonging to chapters in Monterey and Pacific Grove, where, among other positions, he served as a Faithful Navigator. He and Elaina also traveled extensively in Europe and took long breaks at their mountain cabin in Arnold, California.

He was also very proud of the two U.S. patents he held.

Family and faith were paramount in Frank's life. Celebrations honored birthdays and holidays for everyone in the clan; sometimes paella was on the menu as a nostalgic recognition of Frank's Spanish heritage. Frank traveled back to Spain every other year to see family and join in the town's annual San Roque Festival. His most memorable trips were in 2008 with his grandson Nate and daughter Monica, and then in 2010 with his wife, daughter-in-law and granddaughter. He made his last trips in 2017 and 2019 with his son.

Frank, 83, died at peace in his Pacific Grove home.

He leaves his wife, Elaina; his daughter, Monica (Donny) and son, James (Heather); grandchildren, Nathaniel (Chelsea) and Sofia; and great-grandchildren, Scarlett, Rose and Peter. His siblings, Antonio, Angel, José and Carmen; many nieces and nephews in Spain, and his cousin and best friend, Robert F. Martin of Toro Park, also survive him.

The family is deeply grateful to the wonderful team who cared for Frank — Cha Cha, May, Herlie, Aileen, Essie, Rachela, Vilma, Joeanna and Joe — and to Hospice of the Central Coast.

Services will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Oct. 23, 2024, at San Carlos Cathedral, preceded by a rosary at 6 p.m. on Oct. 22 at the Paul Mortuary in Pacific Grove.

The family suggests gifts to the Alzheimer's Association or a charity of donor's choice in honor of Frank's absolutely wonderful and fulfilled life.

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The California Energy Commission has oversight on determining how much fuel should be stored at refineries and when they

can shut down operations for maintenance.

Newsom has been pushing hard for the bill and vilifying the oil industry in the process. The governor accused "Big Oil" of taking advantage of the state, drilling in California communities only to export the oil elsewhere, leaving supplies in the state low and keeping prices high.

"Big Oil knowingly continues to lie to the people, the state, our nation, to people around the world," said Newsom following the signing of the bill.

#### **Accuses Trump**

In a video released a day before the bill's passage, the governor also accused President and candidate Donald Trump of colluding with Big Oil to raise gas prices leading up to Nov. 5.

"These same Big Oil execs are in cahoots with Donald Trump, pushing prices even higher in an election season, hoping to scare voters into voting for their guy," said Newsom.

The former president has the backing and financial support of oil executives with his pledges to open up more land for oil and gas operations. "Drill baby drill," said Trump at a recent campaign event in Texas.

Republican critics of the bill argue Newsom and Democrats in Sacramento are playing politics and are adamant the new law will do nothing to lower California's gas prices.

"Make no mistake, they have the power to lower gas prices today, but instead of passing any meaningful proposals, Democrats are doing the governor's bidding," said Assembly Republican Leader James Gallagher of Yuba City on Monday.

California Republicans proposed a package of bills aimed at providing relief at the pump this past legislative session, including one to suspend the gas tax. Those initiatives failed to get off the ground in the Democrat-controlled Legislature.

### Californians pay most

California has the highest gas prices in the nation, with drivers paying an average of \$4.67 per gallon, according to AAA. The national average is \$3.20, and in some Southern states, drivers pay as little as \$2.70 per gallon.

Why are prices so high in California? Economists blame a number of factors. The first is that California remains a "gas island" despite being geographically connected to other states, there is no easy way to bring in fuel. Some refined fuel is exported to Arizona and Nevada via pipeline, and some is exported via ship, but unlike most other states, there are no gasoline pipelines for import to California. Ships are the only way significant quantities of gasoline can be imported, but doing so costs more.

Even if gas could be imported, California law requires a special blend. It's called CARBOB, which stands for California reformulated gasoline blendstock for oxygenate blending, and it is unique to the state. It's designed to reduce air pollution, but costs more to make, and it could be about to get even more expensive.

In November, just days after the upcoming election, the California Air Resources Board could vote to increase

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### **JAMES JEROME MOISO**

FALL RIVER MILLS, CALIFORNIA Nov. 19, 1941 – Sept. 2, 2024

Jerome Moiso, son of Alice O'Neill Moiso Avery (1917-2014) and James Robert Moiso (1917-2001), seventh-generation Californian, rode ahead and joined the Empty Saddles Trek early Monday morning, Sept. 2. He was 82 years old. Survived by his wife, Judith; brothers, Tony Moiso (Melinda) and Doug Avery (Lisa); three generations of nieces and nephews from a combined family; and his dog, Anna. Predeceased by his first wife, Mary; and son, Jerome Joseph ("J.J.").



Born in Los Angeles, Jerome grew up in West Los Angeles (Brentwood). He graduated from Brentwood Elementary School, Harvard School '59, and the University of Arizona '63. He was a kind, caring, giving, fun-loving person who loved his family, his friends - especially those from his high school days, the Fall River community, the "all outdoors," traveling, in the old days surfing from Malibu south to San Onofre, skiing and hiking in Sun Valley, Idaho, camping, especially at the PX Ranch northeastern Nevada, hunting, fishing, a glass or two of great wine, beers with his

pals, Maker's Mark — neat, and especially fishing with Judith the world over.

For many years, Jerome was an active, pacesetting member of El Viaje de Portolá, the annual Orange County trail ride celebrating the history of the American West and of California. He rode the Ride's first Spring Trek in 1964 from El Adobe in San Juan Capistrano, across Rancho Mission Viejo, the Whiting Ranch, and the Irvine Ranch to the then new Saddleback Inn on First Street in Santa Ana!

Jerome quietly supported numerous causes. Among his many commitments are: Gun Owners of America, the National Rifle Association, Mayers Memorial Hospital (Fall River), the Capuchin Fathers Foundation, Providence Mission Hospital, Mission San Juan Capistrano Preservation Foundation, the Harvard Westlake School and St. Jude's Medical Research Hospital. He knew that he was very fortunate and embraced the responsibility to "pay it forward."

Vaya con dios, nuestro gran amigo, Jerome! We toast you; we thank you, for all the Good Times shared down through the years. Please say "hello" to all our friends there with you in Heaven; and please keep the beer cold, for we'll all be along in a little while.

In lieu of flowers, it is Jerome's wish that you reach out and call an old friend and hug often your loved ones.

Jerome will be buried, at a later date this Autumn, privately at the Rancho Mission Viejo Family Cemetery.

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the low-carbon fuel standard next year. The change would require refiners to mix more renewable fuels into gasoline and diesel. The board projects the change could raise gas prices another 47 cents per gallon.

#### Highest tax in nation

California is also home to the highest gas tax in the country, which is another major factor. According to a 2023 analysis of gasoline prices from the California Energy Commission, an average of \$1.36 in taxes was paid on every gallon sold in the state. According to that analysis, \$1.44 of the money went to refinery and distribution costs and profits.

The high fixed-cost structure is a barrier to the market, and only a small number of firms supply California pumps. According to an editorial in the Wall Street Journal this week, high operating costs have spurred seven California refineries to close over the last decade, and oil production in the state has declined 35 percent since Newsom took office in 2019.

In the wake of the governor's newest regulations, Phillips 66 announced Wednesday it will close its Los Angeles refinery in the first quarter of 2025. Operations there make up about 8 percent of the state's refining capacity.

#### Big Oil in opposition

Unsurprisingly, suppliers operating in the state are not happy about the new law on petroleum reserves, saying it will raise prices.

The president and CEO of the Western States Petroleum Association, Catherine Reheis-Boyd, called the signing of the bill this week a political performance.

"High gas prices are by design driven by state policies meant to force a switch to zero emission vehicles," said Boyd.

She went on to say cost increases are likely in 2025, and added that consumers deserve more transparency on the hikes. Refiners will have to spend capital to store larger stockpiles of fuel under the new law, and they will have to be replenished continuously as gasoline has a months-long shelf life.

"Some refineries may shut down to avoid the new and costly burden," wrote the Wall Street Journal this week.

Some labor groups also opposed the bill, citing safety concerns, and fearing the control the state will have over when refineries can close for repairs. Refiners will need approval from the California Energy Commission when scheduling maintenance.

Reps for unionized refinery workers argue if the state denies planned maintenance, it could lead to catastrophic breakdowns.

One of the bill's authors, Assemblymember Gregg Hart, a Democrat from Santa Barbara, said the goal of the legislation is to prevent price spikes, not to compromise

"ABX2-1 does not prohibit a refinery from conducting important maintenance. Refiners can and should perform the maintenance they need to to keep their workers and facilities safe," said Hart at an Oct. 7 hearing on the bill.

### Neighboring govs oppose

Arizona and Nevada also voiced bipartisan opposition to the bill. Gov. Katie Hobbs of Arizona, a Democrat, and Republican governor of Nevada Joe Lombard co-signed a letter to Newsom urging him to drop the legislation. The two state leaders said mandating refinery inventory would raise the cost of fuel for their constituencies.

The governors cited a California Energy Commission report that warned of shortages in downstream markets and higher costs for drivers in Arizona and Nevada. The pair also said increased regulation would likely raise prices at the pump in all three states.

Assemblymember Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, a Democrat from Davis, and Sen. Nancy Skinner, a Democrat from Oakland, were also authors of ABX-2. Monterey Peninsula representative Assemblymember Dawn Addis was a co-author.

### **SKINCARE**

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and their monthly rent is lower than Always Amazing's.

The shop, as well as Chen and Siliki, are therefore also on the hook for the difference between new tenant's lower rent and Always Amazing's, according to the suit. The case has been scheduled for a hearing in February 2025 in front of Judge Thomas Wills.

In Carmel, complaints have died down over the past couple of years, with just two of the skincare stores operating, while two on Ocean Avenue and one on Dolores have closed. One of those business was sued by a woman who claimed she was bilked out of \$28,000 by salespeople there, and the Carmel Chamber of Commerce had logged more than 40 complaints about the stores by October 2021.

### **DOWNTOWN**

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together in a long, long time," said resident Steve Hanley, who owns nearly 2 acres within the new plan area.

Hanley and others said they look forward to seeing the downtown plan become a reality in coming years.

But getting it built could take a long time, with the mayor warning that a three-decade wait before a downtown would likely be completed has been predicted.

Delgado explained it will be difficult to incentivize landowners to tear down their buildings and invest capital in new construction.

"Imagine strip mall owners demolishing their buildings

and rebuilding along the street with parking in the back. It will take time and money," said the mayor.

City planners have received buy-in from 30 property owners interested in moving forward with implementing the plan, but the windows are only now opening for new plans to be submitted.

### No forced move-outs

No one will be forced to move out, and recently added language allows for 25 percent expansion of non-conforming properties for the first five years of the plan.

Council member Kathy Biala agreed there would need to be incentives for property owners.

No concrete ideas were identified, but she said she hoped it would not take 30 years for the Downtown Specific Plan to become reality.

### **VANCE DONALD BALDWIN**

Feb. 8, 1934 **\$** Sept. 16, 2024

Vance Baldwin was born Feb. 8, 1934, in Long Beach, California, to Madeleine (née lungerich) and Melville Baldwin. He was raised by his mother and stepfather, Hank Nyboer, and the family grew with the birth of his brother Rolf, called Rolly. The brothers were close throughout their lives.

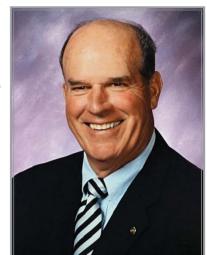
Vance's deep sense of responsibility and unending perseverance were clear early in his life when he was honored by the local school system for 13 years of perfect attendance. This grounded dependability

continued for the rest of his life as those who knew him also knew without a doubt that if he said he would do something, he would do it.

When Vance was in high school he met the love of his life, Bonnie Chalmers. They began dating their senior year, became engaged a year later, and married in the fall of 1953. They were married for 70 years, sharing a deep commitment to each other, their family and their community.

Vance attended Fullerton Junior College where he played football and was an All-Eastern Conference all-star center. He was awarded Most Inspirational College Athlete of the Year, for "not only being an inspiration to his teammates on the gridiron, but also as a student leader."

He transferred to Cal Poly San Luis Obispo on a football scholarship. While in San Luis Obispo he and Bonnie worked (Vance still playing football and going to classes) to put him through school and had their first daughter, Jeannine, in 1956.



Vance had studied agriculture and earned a teaching credential; they moved to Gilroy in 1957 for his first job. Little did they know how important their Gilroy community and friends would be for them for the rest of their lives. Son Greg was born in 1958, and daughter Janice came along in 1962.

They lived in town at first, then moved out to a ranch on New Avenue, where Vance put his agricultural skills to work, managing the field irrigation, cattle rotation, and pest control while also teaching full time. This idyllic setting was the backdrop of many family stories involving a big red barn, a dog named Pokey, overflowing water tanks, and Easter egg hunts with lots of friends and family.

A group of families bonded during that shared peak intensity period of early family and early careers, with the bonds continuing now into a third generation. Vance's friendships, especially with a particular group of men, made in Gilroy, continued very close from that time and strengthened when Vance and Bonnie moved back to the Monterey area. They met monthly for breakfast and with much laughter referred to the group as Retired Old Men Eating Out (The Romeos). This past February Vance hosted a breakfast gettogether for his 90th birthday, with a turnout of nine Romeos.

His career as a teacher began at Gilroy High School, where he taught vocational agriculture and was the adviser for Future Farmers of America. Vance had a passion for inspiring and guiding the next generation of students, serving as the adviser for FFA, and adviser for the student Rotary Club. He was dean of students at Gilroy High, then associate superintendent of schools in Gilroy. In 1979 they moved to St. Helena where Vance became superintendent of schools for eight years, before moving to Monterey, where he was superintendent of schools for Carmel Unified. Vance was an educator for 35 years, 22 of those years as an executive at the district level. He was widely known as an expert in education leadership, and was especially admired for his ability to understand and respect every level of work across the district. This helped him build and maintain relationships with parents, teachers, students and more throughout his career and across several districts.

Vance was a Green Bay Packers fan all his life, and became a 49ers fan when he moved to Gilroy, mostly to get along with the local fanatic 49er Faithful. He enjoyed golf, playing as often as he could, and was a volunteer marshal for local tournaments as well as the U.S. Open at Pebble Beach for many years. Vance loved watching his favorite teams and golfing on the weekends unless he was in his yard, planting and tending to a veritable jungle of greens in some old Wranglers and very beat-up work boots, going through at least 11 pairs (that his family knew about). Bonnie planted succulents in those boots when he was finished with them, and they could be found in various places in the garden. He grew magnificent roses, cutting blooms for Bonnie at every opportunity. He also built a red barn (shed) in his backyard, sourced the perfect red paint, added a reclaimed vintage barn door for authenticity, then for romance carved a heart on the front post, with B+V inside it.

Throughout their life Vance and Bonnie traveled often, visiting family and friends both near and far. This included China, Europe and the U.K., Central America, and many, many states in the U.S., often taking their grandchildren with them. In retirement, one of their favorite things to do was to walk the coastal trail every morning, making friends along the way, even with the animals. Joining them on this morning walk was part of every family visit to Monterey.

Vance was a proud parent to Jeannine, Greg and Janice and was overjoyed with each addition to the family. He loved seeing his eight grandkids play sports, excel in school and studies, and go on to careers. By example, Vance instilled the deep belief in his children and grandchildren that they could do anything they set their minds to, and that they could be a helping hand to others, passing on the desire and joy of giving back to one's community.

Vance was predeceased by his wife, Bonnie; and leaves his three children, Jeannine, (Steve), Greg, (Denise) and Janice; eight grandchildren, Matthew, (Adrienne), Jillian, Rory, (Shannon), Ryan, Marissa, (Sean), Natalie, Alexandra, Dominic, (Amberly) and three great-grandchildren.

He is missed everyday.

A memorial service will begin at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 23, 2024, at the First Presbyterian Church of Monterey.

of pesticides in a single year, including close to 3 million pounds" of chloropicrin and other chemicals, which it called "restricted fumigants."

However, the state regulator said that screening levels are developed by scientists "to conservatively estimate when a pesticide air concentration may have any impact on human health." Chemicals detected below those levels or targets suggest that short-term health problems such as eye or throat irritation, nausea, headaches and blurred vision, or long-term

risks, such as birth defects or nervous system problems — are "unlikely," it found.

The agency "also measures for exposures that could increase the lifetime risk for cancer."

Regarding chloropicrin, the state said it's "conducting a detailed evaluation of pesticide use data and historical weather patterns, in addition to modeling and additional monitoring to better understand potential sources and exposures," and it plans to release an analysis on detection of the chemical next year.

The California Department of Pesticide Regulation will present the results from the 2023 study at its Oct. 25 committee meeting in Sacramento. For details and links to view it remotely, go to shorturl.at/XwTHU.

### **CHASE**

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for driving the wrong way on a highway, probation violation and resisting arrest.

According to Monterey County Superior Court records, Young has a lengthy criminal history dating back to 2011. Documents identifying Christopher Lewis Young, with a birth year of 1984, indicate he has been charged in numerous felony

and misdemeanor cases.

Most recently, in July, he pleaded guilty to felony grand theft for stealing items from a Seaside motorcycle shop, and in March, he pleaded guilty to grand theft for taking a log splitter from Home Depot. Other cases include vandalism, assault and burglary, and he has served time in Monterey County Jail and in state prison.

The new case against Young has not been filed by the Monterey County District Attorney's Office, yet, and he was released from jail not long after his arrest.

### **CAR** From page 6A

outside the box to control crowds in the intersections and control cars from continuing to circle downtown."

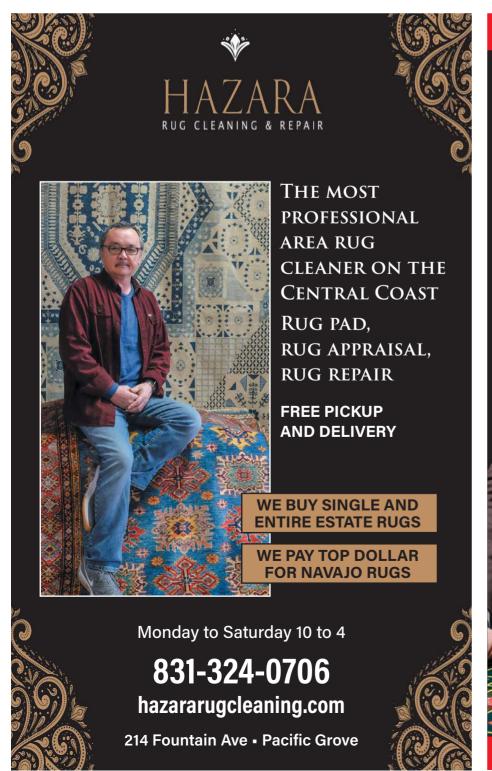
But while the makeshift display worked, when Tomasi gathered his troops for a recap on Car Week enforcement and other issues, he said, "we addressed the consequences of that and that it could in future years actually encourage people to

come here, knowing that we were doing an unsanctioned nighttime event."

That could be "very dangerous for this community," he said.

If the Carmel City Council wants to hold a nighttime car show during that week, he noted, it can take official action and seek an outside organizer to host it, pay for security and undertake the myriad other aspects of staging such an event downtown.

"We in the future will not be doing that," he said. "That will just continue to grow and be a problem for us."



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### PANETTA From page 1A

in Israel and Jordan Oct. 11-17.

"Yesterday we met with King Abdullah of Jordan, and then we got into vehicles and crossed the border and drove into Israel," Panetta told The Pine Cone Wednesday in a phone call from Israel. "We then met with Israel's foreign minister as well as Prime Minister Bibi Netanyahu and a couple of advisors."

During the roughly hourlong meeting in the cabinet room of the prime minister's office, Panetta said the delegation discussed the country's anti-terrorism efforts in Gaza, Lebanon and Iran, which bankrolls Hamas' terror efforts.

#### Very successful

"We continued to talk about how to find ways we can reach a cease fire as long as the hostages are released, too," Panetta explained. Unfortunately, once there were six [Israeli] hostages who were executed, that put everything off track."

Panetta said they discussed the constant "moving of the goal post" during negotiations by Hamas leader and Oct. 7, 2023, mastermind Yahya Sinwar — who Israel said Thursday was killed during a military operation in Gaza.

The congressmen, Panetta said, urged

Netanyahu to allow humanitarian aid into northern Gaza while Israel's miliary operations there continue.

"That was one of our biggest pressure points in the conversation," Panetta explained. "And that any rumor of potential starvation as a policy is debunked."

Avoiding unnecessary damage in Gaza, where Panetta said Hamas continues to use civilians as human shields, was another talking point.

"Israel has every right within international norms and proportionality to take out these targets based on the intelligence they have, and the U.S. has been helping them," Panetta said. "However, we want to continue to make sure that they do it in a way that limits collateral damage."

Also discussed was Lebanese paramilitary group Hezbollah, another Iran proxy that has long targeted Israel and was responsible for the 1983 bombing in Beirut that killed nearly 250 Americans.

Panetta said the congressional delegation leaned on Israel to have an "end game and a strategy" regarding its efforts to cripple Hezbollah, "which they assured us they do." He called Israel's military efforts in Lebanon "very successful."

"It's continuing to make sure that Israel understands it has the support from the U.S., but at the same time we are going to continue to put pressure on Israel to do the right thing when it comes to carrying out their operations," Panetta said.

He said the repeated discussions with Israeli leadership have been "very impactful" on the way the country conducts its operations and its humanitarian aid efforts.

### 'Responsibility'

It's widely believed that Israel is planning to retaliate against Iran for its Oct. 1 attack in which it launched about 200 ballistic missiles at the country. Panetta said that they urged Netanyahu and his advisors that "any sort of retaliation is confined and limited" so that things don't escalate into a region-wide war.

"The good thing that I've found when you have meetings with the prime minister is that he is always willing to listen and engage in a productive conversation, especially when it comes to these types of topics," he said.

The congressman said the United States must continue to support Israel and its efforts. But he also said his meetings with Netanyahu over the past year have come with some pushback by anti-Israel and pro-Palestine activists who would rather have him denounce Israel and its leadership.

"You have people in the United States who want me to yell and scream and use a one-word slogan and want me to boycott the prime minister when he comes to the United States," Panetta explained. "But the fact is, I believe that's irresponsible. I think I have a responsibility as a professional and as a representative to actually do something about it rather than just yell about it."

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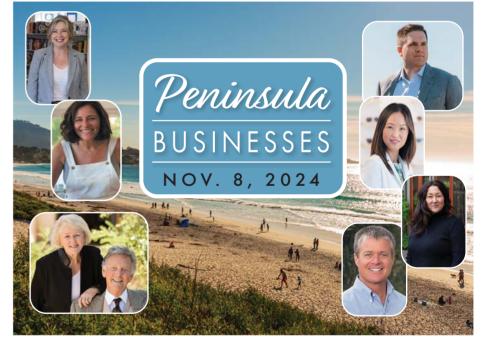


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### Editorial

### SpaceX vs. coastal commission

IF YOU seek the culprits behind this state's severe housing crisis, look no further than the California Coastal Commission which, for decades, has governed the state's coastline with an iron gavel, stifling all but the least-intensive developments. In doing so, it has effectively reserved over 1,000 miles of prime coastal property for the elite, exacerbating the state's housing disparities.

Perhaps because the public's tolerance for its destructive, authoritarian approach to housing has finally waned, the coastal commission appears to have shifted focus. Rather than blocking desperately needed housing project, they're now scrutinizing applicants for their ideological purity.

Exhibit A of this trend is the recent hearing when the commission reviewed SpaceX's request to increase launches of the company's Falcon 9 rocket from Vandenberg Space Force Base from 36 to 50 annually. What should have been a straightforward approval, given Vandenberg's status as federal land and the critical national objectives served by SpaceX, turned into a contentious affair for the simple reason that the CEO of SpaceX, Elon Musk, is an outspoken supporter of Donald Trump — who may be elected president in less than three weeks, and even if he isn't, will probably get upwards of 70 million votes. But California's coastal commissioners are much smarter than all of those people.

According to a SpaceX lawsuit filed Tuesday, here's what coastal commission chair Caryl Hart said about the Air Force's plan to let SpaceX launch more rockets: "The concern is with SpaceX increasing its launches, not with the other companies increasing their launches . . . we're dealing with a company . . . the head of which has aggressively injected himself into the presidential race and made it clear what his point of view is."

Commissioner Gretchen Newsom also expressed her displeasure with Musk, describing him as "hopping about the country, spewing and tweeting political falsehoods and attacking FEMA while claiming his desire to help the hurricane victims with free Starlink access to the internet."

Mike Wilson, also a member of the commission, said he was didn't like the expanded rocket plan because Musk controls "one of the most extensive communications networks on the planet," and that "just last week" was "speaking about political retribution on a national stage."

Commissioner Justin Cummings offered that "while . . . we are all trying to operate in this apolitical space, we do know that the person who controls these companies has enough power to not work in the best interest, when they feel like it, of our allies."

According to Reuters, another commissioner recently accused Musk, who has increasingly asserted his voice in the U.S. presidential race, of "spewing and tweeting political falsehoods."

The prejudice in these comments is unmistakable. Responding to them, and the coastal commission's 6-4 vote to try to block expanded rocket launches at Vandenberg, SpaceX's lawsuit, filed in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California in Los Angeles, says that any decision influenced by Musk's political activities constitutes political bias and an infringement on free speech.

The lawsuit further charges the coastal commission with overstepping its regulatory bounds, emphasizing that rocket launches from Vandenberg Space Force Base qualify as federal endeavors, thus lying outside the commission's jurisdiction.

It's almost unfathomable to believe that a hugely successful rocket program like SpaceX could be hindered merely because its CEO supports a potential future president. However, one would be hard-pressed to find someone with their head screwed on straight who regards the coastal commission as an unbiased entity serving the public interest — a fact they've starkly demonstrated once again.

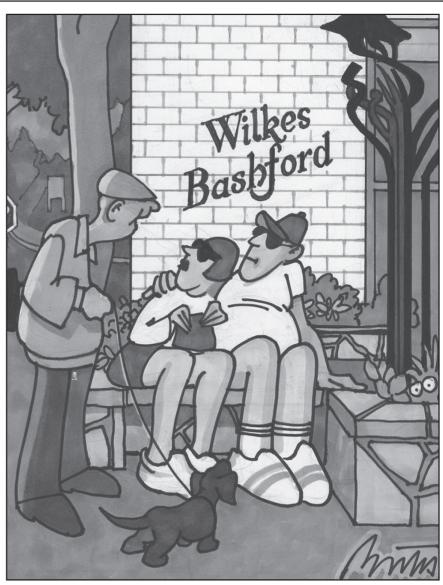
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### **BEST of BATES**



"I wouldn't say Carmel is small, but for a thousand votes you could be mayor."

### Letters to the Editor

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### O'Neil 'exceptionally personable' Dear Editor,

I have observed David O'Neil in various formal and informal situations, including in committees, hearings, business events

and even in various random encounters.

He is exceptionally personable, excellent at active and careful listening, has great presence of mind and excellent judgment, as well as the energy, commitment and tech-savvy ability to very effectively follow through wherever these skills take him in the service of this special village, Carmel-by-the-Sea, and the people who live here.

It is for these reasons that, as a third generation to own our family house in Carmel and now a full-time resident, I support David O'Neil's candidacy for city council and encourage you to do so as well.

Kelly Francis, Carmel

### Is Carmel for sale? Dear Editor,

I watch with some bemusement as our little square mile starts to resemble a cross between a Four Seasons and Disneyland. The huge influx of new residents over the past several years is changing the culture of Carmel-by-the-Sea, and city government seems paralyzed between enforcing codes and state laws and trying to keep the monied second-home people happy.

We are, and have been for over 100 years, a city, and cities need to be represented by their elected officials. I, along with three generations before me, raised families here, and I am exhausted by the lack of progress we make with regard to low-income housing, adhering to daylighting laws and solving the street-address situation.

Yep, it's great having volunteers step up to garden on Scenic, but let's get some real work done. It wasn't that long ago that Carmel was a residential community composed of artists, waiters, shopkeepers, teachers and craftsmen. Now we don't have the rich tapestry of the diversity we need to thrive in the spirit of how we were founded; while I believe we should always have our arms and minds open, I'm greatly concerned that the soul of this town has gone up for sale, and we might not like the new buyers.

I'm voting for Jeff Baron, who's spent six years on the city council and consistently pushes for solutions which will benefit all of us, not just those who want to

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### The lessons of friends and family

By ELAINE HESSER

ONCE THERE was a shop in Scotland. The owners had seven children, the youngest of whom was a daughter. Gordon Robertson was employed there in the wholesale division, where part of his job was working with exports of cashmere sweaters, Edinburgh Crystal and other Scottish goods to the United States. Robertson married the daughter, and they had three sons before making the momentous decision to emigrate to the United States.

He had come to Carmel in 1963 with his wife's brother, Archie, for a client visit. The owners of the Casual Shop on Ocean Avenue were retiring, and Robertson said

he might want to buy the store. Archie said,

"You're crazy," but his assessment was

ignored. That's why Graeme Robertson,

president of the Carmel Residents Asso-

ciation, came here with his parents and

son had just turned 6 and remembers some

of his Scottish upbringing, including one

year at Daniel Stewart's College, a private

school in Edinburgh, with Miss Wilson,

the same teacher his father had when he

It could be worse

perhaps guiding — memories is the story

of his paternal grandfather, Alastair Rob-

ertson. Captured during World War II by

German Field Marshal Erwin Rommel's

soldiers in North Africa, he was released

after the British defeated the Germans

there and went home. He was recalled

to active duty and taken

prisoner again, this with a

friend time on Crete, where

his captors planned to exe-

cute them. First, however,

they forced them to dig

Crete was distracted by

the sun's reflection on my

grandfather's shovel," said

Graeme. "My grandfather

and his friend fled into the

hills of Crete. They ran

out of what little food and

water they had and decided

that the only way they were

going to survive was if

they floated on a log into

the Mediterranean with

the hope that a friendly

ship would pick them up.

They were rescued, and, "He returned home to Edin-

burgh after being 'missing, presumed dead,'" for the

second time. For Robert-

son, the story seems to

have become a benchmark

for difficulties, as in, "It's

not as bad as digging your

own grave."

"The German guard on

their own graves.

One of Robertson's strongest — and

The oldest of the three boys, Robert-

grandmother on May 22, 1965.

was a boy.

**Great Lives** 

That was probably a good place to set the bar, because the American dream didn't come true easily or immediately. "I remember counting pennies on Sundays," to see how much money they'd have for the week, Robertson said. They lived in Mission Fields, where he shared a room with his two younger brothers, and, to this day, "I hate stew," he said. His family would share a thick stew for Sunday dinner, and if the week didn't go well, the leftovers would be progressively watered down until Thursday, by which time they weren't too palatable.

Young Robertson's landing at River

School wasn't easy, either. "I wore short pants (like boys in Scotland), I had an accent and I had a funny name." During roll call, teachers often puzzled over how to pronounce "Graeme."

When he invited other kids to dinner, they'd always ask to sit next to him because his father and grandmother "talked funny." "I developed a thick skin," he recalled. "I lost the short pants and the accent, but I kept the name." Meanwhile, his father acquired a second shop on Ocean Avenue and later went into real estate.

#### Kindness, gratitude

By the time he graduated from Carmel High School in 1977, Robertson was known for his skills on the tennis court. He recalled that several people, including retired Gen. Thomas Sherburne, onetime commander of the 101st Airborne Division, would drive him to nearby tennis courts and play against him before taking on their adult friends.

During high school, he continued his tennis career, traveling to tournaments

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Graeme Robertson outside the Meals on Wheels building in P.G. Delivering meals to the homebound is one of his many volunteer efforts.

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

### Facing the cosmos' mysteries with science and a paintbrush

By DENNIS TAYLOR

 ${
m To}$  SUGGEST that the stars aligned during his teenage years is a theory that might not impress William Eatmon, who spent his professional career as a rocket scientist, enamored with things like quantum physics and great mysteries of the

That's not the resume of a person who puts a lot of faith in the forecasts of his daily horoscope.

But his trajectory seemed to be on a

different vector at age 13, when his sketch

of Cuban bandleader Xavier Cugat and his

beloved Chihuahua, Pepito, won first prize

in an art competition at the 1951 New York

State Fair — two tickets to Cugat's con-

cert. "Great show!" he remembered more

Homemade X-ray machine

14-year-old artist assembled a working

X-ray machine from a 300-watt lightbulb.

the coil from a Model T Ford and other

things he found in his dad's garage. The

device was chosen by an international jury

to compete in the National Science Fair,

he said. "I decided right then that I was

Pebble Beach resident, eventually found

time to become a prolific painter. He is

October's artist of the month at Monte-

rey's Venture Gallery, where many of his

pieces feature cosmological elements or

influences. But science was — and still is

graduated early from Albany High (where

The small-town kid from Colonie, N.Y.,

"That kind of changed my whole life,"

Spoiler alert: Eatmon, an 86-year-old

where it earned an honorable mention.

going to become an engineer."

the love of his life.

And then, the very next year, the

than seven decades later.

Carmel's Artists

his other passion was playing the trumpet, not creating art), enrolled at Mohawk Valley Technical Institute at 17 and held a master's degree from the Rochester Institute of Technology by the time he was 22.

"I never felt intimidated at either college, even as a freshman, when I was the youngest person, by far," said Eatmon, whose classmates were largely Korean

> "They were smart, smart guys — some of them were already in college when they got drafted — but I never had any problems," he said. "I had their respect, because I showed that I could do as

well or better than they could."

The prodigy, who had worked part time for defense-industry companies through his college years, at 22 became the youngest person ever hired by the U.S. Navy Special Projects Office in Washington D.C., a research agency that designed submarine-launched ballistic missiles.

And his remarkable ascent was only beginning. In 1962, the Lockheed Corporation in Sunnyvale paid all of his expenses to relocate to the West Coast and work on missiles and missile systems for aircraft, ships, Polaris submarines, and satellites, among other projects.

Meanwhile, the space race with the Soviet Union was heating up.

### NASA called, he passed

"A few months after I got there, my old boss from the Navy Special Projects Office called and said, 'I want you to come work for NASA," he reflected. "But Lockheed had paid for my move from Washington D.C., and I really loved working for them, so I turned down the opportunity."

He has no regrets. "Lockheed is a wonderful company," he said.

Eatmon spent almost 36 years as a scientist and aerospace engineer for the company and retired in 1998, just short of his

60th birthday.

"I had worked so hard on so many things. I was at the top and I was happy, but I was tired." he said. "I had opportunities from Lockheed and others to consult but wasn't really interested."

So he bought a Harley-Davidson and cruised the scenic coastline for nearly 20 years, finally selling the last of his bikes a Harley Electra Glide, nearly 1,000 pounds with a rider — at age 80.

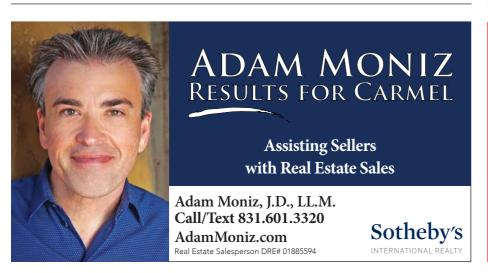
### 50 years

It was, of course, the responsible and mature thing to do. In July, Eatmon will celebrate 50 years of marital bliss with the woman he adores. He met Patricia at a Palo Alto Ski Club soiree in 1974. She arrived on the arm of his friend, a lawyer who had brought another woman as Eatmon's potential blind

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William Eatmon spent 36 years as an aerospace engineer and his paintings are often infused with his love and knowledge of science.

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### **LETTERS**

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turn Carmel into a private club.

Kathy Whitehead, Carmel

### Baron 'deliberate and thoughtful' Dear Editor.

I have known Jeff Baron for three years. We have had many in-depth conversations and I have watched him speak on the council. He's been a good listener and I've found him to be deliberate and thoughtful.

It is my firm opinion that Jeff has committed this time in his life to public service and will always put what he feels is in the best interest of the Carmel community first and foremost. He certainly has my vote for mayor.

Rags Rosenberg, Carmel

### Decisiveness matters Dear Editor.

At a recent city council meeting, the staff once again presented a plan to secure \$667,000 in Rule 20A funds allocated to Carmel. This project, if approved and completed, will bury city power lines near the Del Mar parking lot up to San Antonio. This is good. Burying lines significantly increases the beauty of Carmel's beach and protects Carmel's infrastructure from natural disaster. In truth, it's expensive, about \$1,000 per linear foot. \$667,000 comes from the utility, the balance from other sources. Another truth, it's our money - undergrounding costs are funded through rate hikes on our bills. Now for some bad news. Carmel lost about 30 percent of its undergrounding allocation while waiting for the council to act. Carmel risks losing its remainIng \$667,000 allocation in June 2025. Why did the council defer acting on this decision for more than three years? The current city council has a track record of delaying and deferring. There is currently more than \$60 million in deferred maintenance that is unfunded. Had the council acted on staff's recommendation in March 2021, the loss of \$300,000 in city Rule 20A funds would not have happened.

The solution is to have representatives in city hall who can act decisively, negotiate strategically and listen compassionately. The solution is to elect Bob Delves to the city council. Bob brings years of experience dealing with large budgets in business and government and managing destination cities where tourism is a primary source of revenue. And where would this city be today without the dedicated management, collaborative can-do spirit and

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### HEAD AND NECK PAIN

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

Dr. MacDonald's specialty is the Cervical Spine and Skull alignment. The skull and the cervical spine (Cranial-Cervical segment) must be in alignment to keep the rest of the body in balance. This section of the spine houses and protects the most important area of the central nervous system-the brain and brainstem. There are also so many life forces housed here, often called the mouth of God where the skull meets the cervical spine. The nervous system, Cerebral spinal fluid, circulatory system must be able to flow freely here to keep us healthy. Head and neck injuries and stress can misalign this area and interfere with these systems. Old and new injuries can hurt this spinal alignment and then be the cause of many of the symptoms people have today and distort posture later in life. Headaches can occur, balance problems, middle ear problems, neck and shoulder pain, mid and low back pain, poor memory, brain fog, blurred vision, speech, mood, depression, numbness and tingling, constipation, Fibromyalgia and Chronic Fatigue. Cranial-Cervical misalignment can hurt every system in the body. It's not something to take lightly.

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practical business experience of Dale Byrne? Given that the only significant improvements made to the city's infrastructure in the past six years were accomplished through Carmel Cares under Dale's leadership, the solution is Dale Byrne in the office of Carmel mayor.

Mel Ahlborn, Carmel

### Byrne and the issues Dear Editor,

What makes Carmel-by-the-Sea unique? Clearly, it is not glass buildings, cell towers and multistory parking structures

There is only one thing I want to see changed about this town and that is those members of our city council who believe what the community thinks is best is peripheral to what those council members think is best.

Let me list a few of the issues which reflect the actions of four members of the city council, two of whom are running for election for mayor.

- Lack of transparency: Multiple ad hoc committees operating in the shadows that have not included the community in important projects.
- Housing mandates: Distorted the application of the Surplus Land Act to include the only public parking lots, Vista Lobos and Sunset Center for development and refused to look at viable alternatives.
- Unfunded pension liability: Not addressing vested unfunded pension liability and continuing to propose projects adding to community debt.
- Police station: Used an ad hoc committee to evaluate needs of the police department without community input, recommending a new police station on the Vista Lobos parking lot at a cost estimated in excess of \$15 million.

Lack of transparency speaks for itself. Reasonable housing mandate planning reflects a refusal by certain members of the council including the two running for mayor to look at alternatives as well as including land that they improperly proposed to address as surplus land which it is not. Ignoring other reasonable proposals that would not cause significant adverse effects on the community.

The two current council members running for mayor may say that is an inaccurate description of what they did. For those of us who watched what they did, I would say it is very accurate.

We have two incumbents running for mayor. We already know what these candidates will do because of what they already did. Have they changed positions?

My question is, why would the community vote for people who have done these things that the majority of the community reject and expect a different result?

I support Dale Byrne for mayor. James Ardaiz, Carmel

Delves, Buder would 'energize' Dear Editor,

With their election, Bob Delves and Hans Buder would energize the Carmel City Council. They would analyze issues, closely offering their impressions clearly, concisely and fairly, believing what is best for Carmel guides their decisions. They each have impressive backgrounds and experiences that would benefit Carmel, while their care for Carmel is evident in their commitment to and willingness to serve on the city council.

Dave Potter deserves reelection as mayor of Carmelby-the-Sea. During Dave's tenure as mayor, he brought civility to the council maintained dignity and calm during outbursts of negatively pointed comments directed at him and other council members. He is polite and complimentary to everyone who speaks before the council. Dave is a gentleman who genuinely likes people, and manages council meetings with efficiency, speaking his positions openly and honestly. His love for Carmel is unquestioned. He consistently supports issues that preserve Carmel's history and character. Carmel needs his voice.

Dave brings a wealth of experience from his tenures on the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, California Coastal Commission and Monterey City Council. With Dave as Carmel's mayor, continuity on the council will be maintained while welcoming two new members.

Dave Potter has my support for another term as mayor of Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Cindy Lloyd, Carmel

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VOTE for me as Mayor of Monterey to ensure our residents have a voice and safegaurd our City.



### Delves 'selfless, thoughtful' Dear Editor,

Over the past few years, I have gotten to know Bob Delves and I believe he has the ideal combination of skills, experience and character to serve on the council. Bob has been successful at high levels in the private sector and has served as mayor of a city in Colorado that is similar to Carmel. He has also served for several years on our own planning commission. Bob will be a self-less, thoughtful problem solver at a time when our city needs exactly this kind of leadership.

Please vote for Bob Delves for city council.

Joe Ford, Carmel

### Odello for school board Dear Editor,

Jake Odello has consistently demonstrated his commitment to our community through his extensive volunteer work in our local schools, at the Cachagua Summer Camp, and throughout our community.

Jake's dedication to education is evident in his active participation in school events and programs. He has invested countless hours in supporting teachers and students, ensuring that they have the resources and encouragement they need to thrive.

Moreover, Jake is a familiar face in our community, always ready to lend a helping hand or support a local initiative. With his experience and heart for service, Jake is well-equipped to make informed decisions that will benefit our students and families.

Please support Jake Odello for the Carmel School Board. His commitment and vision for our schools will undoubtedly lead to a brighter future for our children and community.

Sherie Dodsworth, Carmel Valley

### 'Forward-thinking approach' Dear Editor,

After attending one of Jake Odello's recent meet-and-greet events, we were impressed by his passion for education and his clear vision for the future of our schools.

Jake's commitment to fostering an inclusive and supportive learning environment is evident in his discussions about prioritizing college readiness and diversification of career pathways. He emphasized the importance of engaging parents and the community in transparent communication, ensuring that all voices are heard in the decision-making process. His approach reflects a genuine understanding of the challenges our schools face and a willingness to work collaboratively toward

innovative solutions.

Furthermore, Jake has the insights needed to address the needs of both students and teachers. He advocates for essential resources and support systems that enhance the educational experience, preparing students for the future.

We believe that Jake Odello's dedication and forward-thinking approach will greatly benefit the Carmel Unified School District.

Clark and Toshia Struve, Carmel

### Where Rosen lives Dear Editor,

The charges by the Monterey County District Attorney against Anne-Marie Rosen are very suspect and a perfectly timed political hit, as the D.A.'s press release was the same day as ballots arrived.

Rosen is running for the District 5 Trustee seat from her current position as the "at large" trustee on the CUSD board. In her current position, she could live anywhere within the CUSD geographical imprint, and was voted into that position, which does not end until Nov. 5, 2024, the date of the 2024 election. If she wins the District 5 seat, it requires that she live within that district before the election date, which she now does. It has always been her intention to do so.

She has two homes, approximately 1.5 miles apart, both in Carmel Valley and within CUSD area. One is in District 4, which is where she has lived while serving as an at-large trustee on the CUSD board. The other home is in the District 5 area where she is running and now lives. To clarify, both of her homes are partially rented to relatives, but they remain her homes, with her personal belongings and furnishings in both.

Rosen is a longstanding community volunteer on a day-to-day basis, as well as during crises, such as during recent years' fires and floods. On top of her strong community-service work ethic, she is a tireless advocate for youth in our community, especially those in outlying and underserved communities, such as Big Sur and Cachagua. Year after year, she volunteers, tutors and mentors youth throughout the community. Her ongoing volunteerism has allowed her to gauge the needs of these communities across CUSD, and bring this information to the CUSD school board to be heard and addressed, as needed.

I have been following CUSD board actions for the last few years with increasing concern at the board's apparent lack of care for following rules, regulations and even the law, as well as lack of fiscal responsibility and stewardship. This has been very evident in recent years' press coverage. Throughout her time on the board, she has fought to protect the rights of youth, teachers and staff, and has apparently garnered only disdain from other co-board members, who will not address difficult issues and are more concerned with CUSD's image and "sweeping problems under the rug." She is not there as a "yes man," but as a true advocate.

Alondra Klemek, Carmel Valley

### 'No on DD'

### Dear Editor,

I have just received an election flyer in the mail entitled "Vote Yes on Measure DD," which complains the Monterey County Regional Fire District's cannabis fire tax has become an "unfair burden" on the industry. I happen to be familiar with this tax (which only affects the cannabis industry itself) as I was a member of the board of directors when it was placed on the ballot in 2018. The funding generated by this tax supports the essential emergency response and prevention efforts of the fire district as mandated by California law.

This tax was passed by the voters of the fire district to ensure the operations of the cannabis industry are implemented safely and in compliance with all applicable codes and standards. The programs funded by the cannabis business tax ensure the safety of cannabis workers, the public and the first responders who provide support in emergency situations.

The fire service is the only public safety agency required by state law to provide oversight of the operations of the cannabis industry. Nothing in life is free,

and fulfilling these responsibilities costs money. The tax was passed so the district's taxpayers do not have to fund them. Should the effort to repeal the Cannabis Fire Tax be successful, district taxpayers will have to bear these costs thereafter. As a district taxpayer, I strongly urge a "No" vote on Measure DD.

Pete Poitras, Carmel Valley

### Reduce P.G. council size Dear Editor,

Pacific Grove is so small, it has never made sense to me that we have a mayor plus six city council members — the only small city in Monterey County to do so. We need to reduce the size of the city council to a mayor and four council members to better represent all of P.G., as was first intended when the city was created.

David Blaskovich, Pacific Grove

### Navy 'Innovation' Center Dear Editor,

The planned Navy Innovation Center for "warfighting capabilities" will cause irreparable harm to the Monterey Peninsula and ocean. The Navy's track record of environmental damage is well known — wanton disregard for life, health and safety, including its own personnel, maiming and killing whales and dolphins, poisoning ocean, land, and drinking water — while refusing accountability and transparency.

In its scant environmental assessment for the center, the Navy refused to evaluate coastal zone management, hazardous materials and waste, public health and safety, or recreation impacts, or existing local impacts, including groundwater contamination from the airport flowing into Laguna Grande, radioactive contamination under NPS, killing historic trees along Del Monte Avenue, sonar, new 5G on the beach, and violating federal laser limits. Its microwave emissions harm surrounding residential areas and forests, and those emissions will increase with the new center. The Navy's nuclear waste dumps near the Farallons and Half Moon Bay impact the bay.

This center is incompatible with the viability and health of this community and the Earth. Please oppose it.

Nina Beety, Monterey

### Electoral college 'reform' Dear Editor.

As an appointed member of the 2024 Electoral College for the 19th Congressional District, I read the Pine Cone's recent editorial on this institution with great interest. However, as is often the case, the historical arguments about the college seem to get a bit muddled.

The claim that the Electoral College was intended to balance the interests of small rural states against large urban ones misinterprets history. In the 1780s, all 13 original colonies were rural and sparsely populated. The real purpose behind the creation of the Electoral College was far less noble — it was a compromise designed to give Southern slave-holding states disproportionate political power.

At the Constitutional Convention, Southern states feared losing influence because their large populations of enslaved people, who could not vote, would not count in determining representation. The Electoral College, along with the notorious Three-Fifths Compromise, allowed the South to bolster its electoral weight without granting any actual rights to enslaved individuals. This arrangement wasn't about giving small states a voice — it was about entrenching slavery and protecting the interests of a powerful few. The result was

What distorts the popular will the most, however, is not the Electoral College itself, but the "winner-takes-all" rule that most states have adopted — a rule not found anywhere in the Constitution. This rule means that if you support Donald Trump in California, your vote is essentially discarded, just as a vote for Kamala Harris in Texas is thrown away. It's this feature of the system that gives a few swing states disproportionate influence and makes the election results far less representative of the nation's will.

Importantly, since each state decides

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how to allocate its electors, we can reform this system without needing a constitutional convention.

Vinz Koller, Carmel

### Modernize the electoral process Dear Editor,

The existing Electoral College is not truly democratic. The current system devised in a very different historical context is unable to reflect the will of all of the people. The popular vote would restore the very democratic principles upon which the country was founded — the principle of one person, one vote. As a matter of fact, the Electoral College leads to voter apathy and disenfranchisement, leaving large swaths of the country without a direct say in the outcome where "swing states" and regionalism have been the central focus of the presidential election campaigns. Voters in less populous states have more influence per capita in the final outcome.

But if the complexities of the Electoral College were eliminated, the election outcome would be made clearer and more straightforward for voters to understand. The National Popular Vote Interstate Compact, which is an agreement among the states, can be enacted by enough states representing 270 electoral votes — enough to elect the president. The compact movement has been building for 20 years with states representing 209 electoral votes having already signed onto the compact. After the required states have signed on, the presidential candidate who gets the most votes will win the election.

In the final analysis, replacing the Electoral College with a popular vote would foster a more equitable, representative and engaged democratic process, ensuring that every voice is heard and counted.

Ben Trainer, Carmel Valley

### Making votes count Dear Editor,

I live and work in Carmel and, while reading The Pine Cone, I noticed you defended the Electoral College by saying a Montana residents vote counts more than a Californian's. I simply ask you this, does the vote not only count but matter more? If you believe that just because they live in a different area, that they should have the same amount of votes as almost four people (my whole household) in California? I don't think it is fair to assume that they know any better than we do, or that their vote should count more than mine. It hardly sounds fair and is actually sounding closer to unjust.

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Another point, our country was built on this foundation of fairness and dividing votes, yes, but when the Founding Fathers were figuring how to direct the country, they were not planning on millions upon millions of people inhabiting one area. We are talking about a time with an unprecedented amount of people. The same system just doesn't work as it used to.

I believe the Electoral College is important, but it should be reworked to actually represent the people who are voting. My vote should count just as much as my cousin who lives in Arizona or my aunt who lives in Nebraska. I matter, and my vote should matter too.

Abigail Munoz, Monterey

### Coastal commission mistake Dear Editor,

Since 2019, the California Coastal Commission staff has told MST that the Surf busway through ESHA coastal sand dunes was not coastal-compliant, as it didn't involve a resource-dependent use. Staff insisted MST look at alternatives, like a carpool lane and a bus-on-shoulder lane on Highway 1. While MST declared these alternatives infeasible, coastal commission staff considered them reasonable and worthy of study.

For example, the commission's August staff report debunked MST's claim that a bus-on-shoulder lane couldn't be done because of freeway structures, noting

there was plenty of room. The report also suggested making creative use of the six-lane freeway to solve the traffic problem.

Everything changed after commission staff met for many hours with area politicians, MST, and TAMC. Groups opposed to the project like the Sierra Club, Center for Biological Diversity, Native Plant Society and Train Riders Association of California weren't invited to the negotiations.

What a contrast the commission's September staff report is. After years of claiming a busway was not legal, it suddenly became acceptable. All the alternatives were found to be infeasible. Reasons given: They would take time to study and implement and no funds to pursue them. At the Aug. 12 meeting, coastal commission staff admitted alternatives might work, but because there are no plans in the works, they are infeasible.

Under such broad criteria, alternatives to environmentally damaging projects anywhere are infeasible. If politicians don't want to study an alternative, it is infeasible. If MST doesn't want to study alternatives they are infeasible.

Feasibility should be about whether something will work, not about what politicians want.

So much money is wasted on bad projects. No wonder there's never enough money to do important things, like bringing rail to the area.

Bryan Rosen, Monterey



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### If you miss sweating with friends, there are good reasons to go back

By LISA LAPIN

WHEN SCHOOLTEACHER Katie Krieger recently took her 500th fitness class at Pure Barre in Carmel Plaza, the entire class celebrated the accomplishment. Krieger received cards and an orchid, and everyone gathered around for a group photograph.

It's this sense of community that keeps people coming back to group fitness classes and why they are as popular as ever just a few years after people shunned the idea of sweating and breathing heavily next to a stranger.

The pandemic may have forced class cancellations and the closure of fitness businesses. But the options are abundant once again for people eager for variety in their workout routines and for those who are motivated to get moving by a sense of camaraderie.

"It's a community that is beyond just fitness, and that's what I love," said Leslie Pinson, the lead teacher and general manager of the Carmel-by-the-Sea franchise of Pure Barre. "Society disconnects us from our body, and it's really courageous work to do the movement of Pure Barre. We celebrate wins together and help each other overcome the fear of looking silly in a workout class."

When Pinson arrived in Carmel in 2021, the Pure Barre franchise had only 30 remaining members. Some classes were

being held on a balcony outside its Carmel Plaza studio. Today, membership has rebounded to nearly 200, Pinson said, and everyone is back in person.

"Our little studio has been resilient. The community here is so strong. The attitude now is there is this deep gratitude for the ability to be together," Pinson said.

Whether it's an intense Pilates workout, a ballet barre boost, boot camp-style weight training or a crystal-bowl sound bath that inspires you, the variety of group fitness and wellness classes available on the Monterey Peninsula is burgeoning.

### **Getting salty**

The Salty Soul Sanctuary, a yoga studio also housed in Carmel Plaza, has been steadily adding classes since it was founded almost a year ago. There are now more than 23 weekly classes offered at all times of day and in all types of yoga, including vinyasa, hatha, heated, therapeutic, flow, yin, and restorative, as well as Pilates and sound healing.

Salty Soul Sanctuary has more than 1,000 clients taught by eight instructors and is "definitely a growing yoga community," according to owner Amanda Hoff, a former middle school teacher who runs the studio with her husband, Kyle.

"People seek yoga for so many different reasons. We have evolved to have a di-



A group at Carmel's Pure Barre studio celebrates Katy Krieger (front row, fourth from left), who had just completed her 500th class.

verse offering of classes and styles," Hoff said. "We all come to practice yoga. But the meaning of yoga is so broad for each person. Some people say it's connection to their heart, soul and energy. Some people may come for the meditation, for the con-

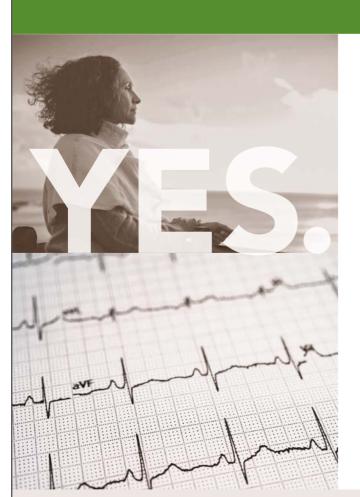
nection with their selves and their embodiments. For some, yoga is a low-impact way to build strength."

Hoff was teaching seventh grade at

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### Cutting-edge technology helps local woman get back on her feet

By DENNIS TAYLOR

'A GOOD walk spoiled" — Mark Twain's description of golf — is very much a matter of opinion.

Elizabeth Young-Lewis savored every step she took in April at the fabled Augusta National Golf Club in Georgia, where she and her husband, Tim, walked the full length of the 18-hole course — 7,572 yards - watching the 2024 Masters Tournament.

A month later, they did it again in North Carolina, trekking the full 7,543 yards of Pinehurst Country Club as fans of the U.S. Open.

For context, consider that Elizabeth, 64, has battled multiple sclerosis since 2002 and frequently relied on an electric wheelchair or walker for mobility.

On March 27, less than a month before the 2024 Masters, an MS specialist at USC's Cleveland Clinic equipped Lewis with cutting-edge technology that allowed her to walk again with relative ease.

"I'm like a bionic woman. I'm using technology at its finest," said the Pebble Beach resident, who typically walks a mile-and-a-half every day with her husband. She wears the Bioness L300 Go, a system that uses functional electronic stimulation to help correct "foot drop" — difficulty in lifting the front part of the foot — and thigh weaknesses in people coping with the effects of MS, stroke and other neurological medical conditions.

Lewis has been hindered for years by bilateral foot drop, meaning it occurred in both feet. In the left leg, it was due to multiple sclerosis and in the right it stemmed from an unrelated spinal issue.

Relatively inconspicuous cuffs that wrap just below her knees send electrical impulses through moist electrode pads. It produces a painless "shock," said Lewis, which stimulates nerves and contracts a muscle in her lower leg.

The muscle contraction lifts her great toe as she strides, greatly reducing the likelihood of a stumble. Walking 18 holes wasn't a realistic option before Lewis discovered the new technology.

### Frequent falls

"I could stand up, and I could move around wearing AFOs (ankle-foot ortho-- rigid, external devices that stabilize the ankle, foot and leg). But I used to fall all the time — Tim was constantly finding me on the floor," she said of her husband, whom she married in 2015. "I'm actually very lucky that I haven't broken any bones over the years," she said.

Tim Lewis, 82, was reluctant to leave his wife on her own for any length of time a worry that has subsided significantly. But he remains vigilant when they walk

'When a person has this problem, you'll be walking beside them, and the next second they're on the ground," he said. "I'm constantly trying to notice anything ahead of us that might be a problem — a curb, a root, an uneven sidewalk — and when she falls, I feel like it's because I wasn't paying close enough attention."

The high-tech L300, which communicates with an iPhone app as it stimulates her legs, has been a life-changer in multiple ways for Lewis and her husband.

Elizabeth Lewis enjoyed 23 years as an intensive care unit nurse before learning she had contracted MS, a degenerative neurological disease. It impacted her shortterm memory, muscle strength and endurance, and it ended her ICU career.

"I was at the top of my game in the medical field — I was the house supervisor, and always on the code team (render-



Thanks to "bionic" technology, Elizabeth Young-Lewis walked 36 holes at the 2024 Masters and U.S. Open, then struck a victory pose alongside a statue of PGA legend Payne Stewart.

ing lifesaving first aid in emergencies). I really had a wonderful career," she said.

She moved home to Glendale to care for her recently widowed mom and became a private-duty concierge hospice giver. Most clients, including Tim and Louise Lewis, found her through recommendations from their friends.

"I was married to Louise for 38 years, and she got terminal cancer — melanoma and went through radiation treatments on her brain," Tim recounted. "Pretty soon, she became bedridden, and I needed help, which is how we met Elizabeth.'

The three became close friends during the 13 months that Elizabeth cared for Louise, who, as the end of her life became imminent, privately asked her husband and her caregiver to look after each other after she was gone.

"She basically set us up," said Tim, who married Elizabeth four years later.

"It really should have been two years, but I'm not a fast mover, and I'm kind of old-fashioned," he added with a laugh.

When Elizabath became classified as a secondary-progressive MS patient, meaning there was chronic inflammation of the central nervous system, causing a gradual worsening of the disability, she endured

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- 8 Eat a healthy diet.



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### It's time for your flu shot — and Covid, and maybe RSV ...

By ELAINE HESSER

**VACCINES HAVE** done some amazing things. Those old enough to remember smallpox are sometimes surprised to learn that the World Health Organization declared the scourge eradicated in 1980, after its millenniums-long death toll had reached hundreds of millions. In the United States, doctors recommend more than a dozen vaccines for people of varying ages. Some jabs are improved or updated to prevent new strains of disease, which can make things a little confusing.

Just before the latest Covid vaccine became available



Dr. Michael Gorman

earlier this fall, for instance, those who needed boosters asked if they should wait, and people who had just gotten theirs wondered if they should receive the latest jab, too. Others ask if they should get Covid and flu shots together, or wait in between. And who should get a shingles vaccine?

If you can't recall which immunizations you've already had, go myvaccinerecord.cdph.ca.gov to review your record. It's only as accurate as the organizations that report to it and might not go back to

childhood, but it's a good starting point.

For other questions, Healthy Lifestyles went to Michael Gorman, a primary care physician with Montage Medical Group who specializes in family medicine. He addressed some questions about vaccines, focusing on older adults.

### Covid and flu

If you received a Covid vaccine last summer, Gorman said, "Go get the new one," because it has been updated to protect against currently circulating strains of the virus. If you've never had one, you'll need to start with a twodose series. He urges everyone to get Covid and flu shots as soon as possible. For convenience, they can be safely taken together.

As for effectiveness, Gorman said, "Vaccines available in the United States reduce the risk of severe or critical Covid-19 and have been associated with substantial reductions in Covid-19-associated hospitalizations and deaths."

He continued, "Booster doses have been associated with restoration of vaccine effectiveness against severe infection. The vaccines remain effective against symptomatic Covid infection.'

Although the flu may have faded from public consciousness, it's still miserable — and dangerous. The Mayo Clinic's website says, "Sometimes, influenza and its complications can be deadly. To help protect against seasonal flu, you can get an annual flu shot. Although the vaccine isn't 100 percent effective, it lowers the chances of having severe complications. This is especially true for people who are at high risk of flu complications." Those include older adults and people with certain risk factors.

### RSV and pneumococcal pneumonia

Respiratory syncytial virus, or RSV, is a common respiratory virus that infects the nose, throat and lungs. The CDC says that in infants younger than 6 months and older adults, it can cause serious illness. Those over 60 with risk factors such as such as heart disease, lung disease, weakened immune systems or other conditions that increase vulnerability to severe RSV illness should be vaccinated, as should anyone 75 or older.

The jab is highly effective in preventing illness and lower respiratory tract diseases like bronchiolitis and pneumonia. It can safely be taken at the same time as vaccines for flu and Covid, Gorman noted.

The Mayo Clinic defines pneumonia as a lung infection that inflames air sacs, or alveoli, in one or both lungs. The sacs may fill with fluid or pus, causing difficulty breathing, and it can lead to hospitalization or death.

Pneumococcal pneumonia is caused by a specific type of bacteria, and the CDC recommends a vaccination for everyone starting at age 65, although people with some risk conditions may get it earlier. There have been several versions on the market, and even if you've already had one, a newer version may be required to ensure that you're fully protected. You should talk with your doctor about your specific needs.

### **Shingles**

You've probably heard the slightly creepy commercials: "The shingles virus already lives inside you." They're not



Vaccines are safe, effective and occasionally confusing.

wrong — it's the virus that causes chickenpox.

Gorman affirmed, "Almost everyone has had chickenpox, even if they think they didn't." Afterwards, the virusgoes dormant in spinal nerves but can reactivate later in life as shingles.

The CDC lists symptoms that include fever, chills and burning and sensitivity, along with a blistering rash. It is usually localized to one part of the body, often the torso. However, it can also appear on the face and around an eye, where it can cause permanent loss of vision. For some people, the pain becomes chronic, a condition called postherpetic neuralgia.

Shingles can be excruciating for some people. The American Academy of Dermatology Associates says antiviral drugs can reduce the amount of time that you have the rash, decrease its severity, and lower the risk of long-lasting nerve pain and other health problems, but treatment should be started in the first three days.

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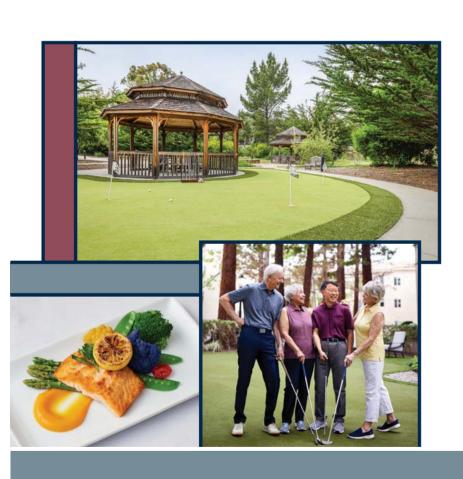
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### **FARRO RISOTTO**

Courtesy Chef Jason Giles, Carmel Valley Manor

DO YOU love risotto? The combination of a grain (usually rice) and stock with veggies and sometimes shellfish or other protein is hearty and satisfying. Despite the finished product's creamy texture, it can be made without cream or butter, as chef Jason Giles from Carmel Valley Manor proves with this recipe, which also skips the wine that's often found in risotto. It could be a side dish or main course that's up to you.

If you've never worked with farro, it's a so-called ancient grain grown mostly in Italy. It dates at least to ancient Egypt, though, and is believed to have been cultivated for more than 10,000 years beginning in the Fertile Crescent of the Middle East. Some food historians claim it was fed to the Roman legions.

Farro can come from any of three species of wheat, and it's high in iron, vitamin B6 and magnesium, not to mention fiber. It has a bit of a nutty taste. In this recipe, Giles treats it first like pasta, then like traditional risotto. Don't worry, the whole grain can handle the two-step cooking process and still be satisfyingly chewy.

Toasting it while your oven is still heating, as Giles suggests, is a genius step. So often, grains and nuts go from toasty to scorched in seconds, and by starting in a not-too-hot oven, you're giving yourself a little wiggle room in case you go down a social media rabbit hole or have to step away to let the dog out.

Allow yourself enough time for the second step of the cooking process, in which you'll patiently stir and wait while the farro absorbs one ladle of water before adding another, until you've used up about two cups of vegetable stock. If you want to make your own stock, see the link below — Giles has a recipe for that, too, and you can control the salt content, if that's a

And to all the garlic lovers incredulous at learning that there's only one clove in here: Sure, you can add more. If you grate your own cheese, you could throw the rind into the pot while you're simmering the farro, too - just don't forget to take it out before serving! Finally, since you've got the oven warmed up, you could roast the diced zucchini, yellow squash, and cherry tomatoes, then add them to the pan with the shallots and garlic and stir for a few minutes before adding the stock and farro.

To find similar dishes, a free, locally inspired booklet of healthy recipes you can access free of charge is at heyzine.com/ flip-book/6fb3eb8634.html#page/1.

#### **INGREDIENTS**

(Serves 6)

3 cups farro

1 quart vegetable stock, plus 2 cups

2 quarts water

2 tablespoons olive oil

2 zucchinis, diced

1 yellow squash, diced

1 cup cherry tomatoes, halved

1/2 small shallot, minced

1 clove of garlic, minced

1/2 cup of pecorino Romano cheese,

freshly cracked black pepper, to taste kosher salt, to taste



#### chopped fresh parsley, for garnish

Preheat the oven to 375 degrees. While the oven is heating, place the farro on a sheet pan and toast it for about 12 minutes or until it becomes fragrant and has a slightly nutty aroma. Remove it from the oven and let it cool.

In a large pot, bring 1 quart of vegetable stock and 2 quarts of water to a simmer. This will be used to cook the farro, just as you do pasta.

Add the toasted farro to the simmering liquid and cook for about 30 minutes or until the grains are tender but still slightly firm to the bite. Drain and spread on a sheet pan to cool.

In a large skillet or pan, heat some olive oil over medium heat. Add the minced shallot and garlic and sauté for a few minutes until they become translucent. Add the diced zucchini, yellow squash and cherry tomatoes to the pan and cook, stirring occasionally, until the edges start to brown.

To stop the cooking process, add one ladle of vegetable stock to the pan. Add the cooked and cooled farro and stir to combine it with the vegetables. Gradually add another 2 cups of vegetable stock to the pan, one ladle at a time, while stirring and allowing the liquid to be absorbed by the farro.

Once the farro reaches a creamy consistency and is fully cooked, stir in the Pecorino Romano cheese, freshly cracked black pepper, and a pinch of kosher salt. Adjust the seasoning to your taste. Garnish the farro risotto with parsley.

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CHEF JASON Giles is the culinary director for Carmel Valley Manor. Before that, he was director of nutrition services and executive chef for eight years at Salinas Valley Health. While there, he said he moved the food service from a traditional hospital menu to fresh, healthy, made-from-scratch and made-to-order selections. He also established local farm, seafood and wine relationships, has worked as the executive chef at the Portola Hotel in Monterey, and was selected as the Monterey County Chef of the Year in 2016 by the American Culinary Academy. Giles began his culinary journey on the Monterey Peninsula working at Pebble Beach in 1998.

He holds a Bachelor of Science in public health from Brigham Young University and an Associate of Occupational Studies in culinary arts from the California Culinary Academy in San Francisco. He has volunteered at Ranch Cielo, Dorothy's Place/Kitchen, MEarth and Meals on Wheels.





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### HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

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chemotherapy treatments designed to scrub her immune system, dangerously reducing her white blood cell count to zero. The immune system then had to be rebuilt.

"My doctor told me to imagine an orchestra. Somebody isn't playing well, but the conductor can't figure out who it is, so he fires all of his musicians, then begins rehiring them, hoping the one who wasn't playing well doesn't come back," she explained.

"That's what happened to me, and I haven't had any major relapses since the chemo.'

The medication, however, was a likely cause of the breast cancer she contracted later, which now is in remission.

Tim, semiretired from the Southern California-based automobile company that he's owned for 40 years, is at his wife's side for their daily walks, watching carefully for potential hazards in their path on Pebble Beach trails, and other picturesque local venues.

"I use walking sticks for additional balance, unless we're walking through Del Monte Shopping Center or another place with a flat surface," said Elizabeth, who also works with a physical therapist at least once a week to improve her physical strength, range of motion and walking technique.

"With MS, there's so much neurological stuff you need to think about how to stay upright," she said. "It's important to keep training my brain.'

She has also participated in water aerobics and tai chi.

#### Styling again

An additional perk of the L300 is that it enables her to don more traditional shoes, as opposed to the special footwear she needed to accommodate the clunky apparatus that rigidly restricted her feet and lower legs. The leg bands that attach the



Elizabeth Young-Lewis, aided by electronic stimulation and walking sticks, walks an hour-anda-half each day, usually near her Pebble Beach

electrodes just below her knees also are inconspicuous beneath her pants.

"It's hard to even notice them under my clothes," she said. "I can pretty much wear whatever I want.'

While the Bioness L300 Go is purportedly covered by Medicare, Tim and Elizabeth Lewis expressed frustration that the high-priced device is inaccessible for too many patients. They paid out-of-pocket for theirs.

"There are so many people who could benefit from this, but I don't think Medicare wants to pay for most of them, so they've made it next to impossible to qualify," Elizabeth said.

"But I don't want to discourage people from looking into this. It's opened up a whole new world for me."

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Monterey Charter School and teaching private yoga when the opportunity arose to purchase her studio and fulfill a lifelong dream. She continued providing instruction while creating the new business, teaching middle schoolers during the week and yoga on weekends. She named the space Salty Soul after the rejuvenating energy of the nearby ocean. She designed the floors to look like water and the dark walls to hold dozens of "floating" candles "so it looks like a magical space.

The studio is large enough that there's no waiting list, and it's easy for students or out-of-town visitors to drop in. Classes average 15 people but can grow to 20 or so, Hoff said. The studio's largest group class is every Sunday on the lawn at Folktale Winery, drawing 30 people or more.

The strong attendance is a major change from the height of the pandemic. "It just crushed fitness businesses, and the people who relied on them," Hoff said. "Not only did you lose your ability to practice, you lost the people, your friends and community members. It was devastating. But now, everyone's back, and we don't even talk about it. No one is coming in the door fearful and asking for hand sanitizer. It's part of the yogi philosophy to practice and have a good attitude."

Throughout the Monterey Peninsula, exercise classes are again filled with people of all ages and body types. Instructors describe single classes where people in their 20s are side by side with octogenar-

One of the largest local fitness facili-

ties, Montage Wellness Center in Marina, has added dozens of popular classes for its members ranging from Bootcamp to Body Mobility and Bells and Bands, using kettlebells and resistance bands. There are courses in Better Bones and Balance, Kickboxing, Cardio Dance, and Healthy Back courses. A large number of attendees are retirees, but working people are joining

#### **Getting started**

The Monterey Sports Center offers dozens of group classes, including every conceivable type of yoga, as well as Zumba, high-intensity interval training (known as HIIT), multiple cycling classes and a full complement of aquatic classes. The complex, operated by the City of Monterey, offers a range of fees from monthly subscriptions to drop-in admission, with varying rates for youth, adults, seniors and families.

If it has been ages since you've taken a group exercise class, many local studios have specific programs to ease you into a new routine.

Most studios and fitness centers have special rates for newcomers, so that people can try classes and find the best fit for them. The Pure Barre studio has an "engage" class and offers a beginning coaching session to identify which of its four class formats is an ideal fit.

"We come up with a plan with to get you started. We recognize that when you are a beginner, you can feel like a fish out of water because you are trying something new," Pinson said.

"That's where we start. From the place your body is at today, the work begins," she added.

At Salty Soul Sanctuary, newcomers can get an "exploration pass" for the first month for \$60. "Community heroes" first responders, schoolteachers, nurses and military personnel — can get an unlimited monthly membership for \$128.

Another way to get started is to take part in a free community fitness event. Salty Soul Sanctuary offers a free community hike at the end of the month, where studio members meet at a location and go on a hike together. Or there is a once-amonth cold plunge, where a group meets at the studio at 7:15 a.m. on the last Friday of the month, walks throughout Carmel and ends up on the beach for a cold plunge into the ocean.

"There are so many ways to join a workout community, to get started as a newcomer and see if you can envision yourself in that community," Hoff said. "When you exercise with other people, you can feel their energy, and people cheer each other on. Words of affirmation keep people motivated. You can't deny the energy in a room full of people."



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Of course, prevention is better. Gorman said, "The two-dose Shingrix vaccination is recommended for anyone 50 or older. If you had the older vaccine, Zostavax, it is no longer effective, so you should get the Shingrix jab. Since Shingrix evokes a strong immune response, it is normal to feel tired or have body aches for a day or two afterwards, but this is not dangerous

at all."

While some people have become hesitant or even fearful of getting vaccinated, Gorman said, "I approach my patients' concerns with empathy and offer concise, clear and factual information so they can make the best decision for their health. I strive to interpret their hesitancy in the most generous way, respecting the anxiety

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### From Carmel to Catalina, MoCo teams aim for field hockey finals

WHEN THIS week began, field hockey teams from Stevenson, Carmel and Santa Catalina were all in good position to qualify for the Central Coast Section playoffs, which begin Nov. 4.

If they get there, it'll be the second consecutive year all three schools have earned postseason spots in that tourna-

### **Peninsula Sports**

By DENNIS TAYLOR

ment — which suggests progress in the sport for the Monterey Peninsula and for the county.

But the bigger statement would be made by a local team making a deep playoff run. No Monterey County field hockey team has ever reached the finals of the CCS tournament, which began in 1976.

In fact, Carmel's 2022 opening-round victory over Homestead was the first by any county school since North Salinas reached the second round in 2016.



Santa Catalina goalkeeper Sophie McHugh, a fourth-year starter for the Cougars, leads the PCAL in saves this season with 59.

As the Pacific Coast Athletic Association enters the homestretch of its regular season, the Stevenson Pirates are positioned to grab the league's loftiest seed in the postseason, while Carmel and Catalina can expect to face highly ranked opponents throughout the

#### 'Best team ever'

Stevenson, which began the week alone atop the PCAL with an 8-0 league record, might have the pieces in place to make some history.

"I'm in my 19th year coaching — 16 at Monterey High — and this is, by far, the best team I've ever coached," said Rosanna McCormick, the Pirates' third-year head coach, who has a long list of veteran players from last year's second-place team (7-1 in the PCAL).

At the heart is senior Macey Torres, a versatile utility player most often spearheading

Stevenson's attack from the center or right-side midfielder position.

"Her game IQ is incredible. Her game sense and sensibilities are exactly what we want from the person who basically quarterbacks our offense," McCormick said of last year's PCAL Offensive Player of the Year. Torres also leads the league with 17 assists in 2024 and has scored 5 times.

"I think Macey probably has touched every single ball that we've put in the goal this season, either with an assist, a second assist, or scoring the point herself," the coach said.

#### Bonifas, Aiello were all-league

Torres often occupies the same side of the pitch as another first-team all-leaguer, Georgia Bonifas, a junior whose 10 goals and 8 assists rank second on the team.

"Macey sets up our press, and Georgia is usually there to add to it, or finish," McCormick said of her right forward, who also is a standout lacrosse player. "She has an insane amount of



Carmel's Ava Staehle, second-team All-PCAL a year ago, leads the league with 28 goals this season as a junior.

athleticism."

The team's third All-PCAL honoree from a year ago, junior Lucy Aiello, is Stevenson's center defender, stabilizing an exceptional defense alongside senior Grace Ishii (a tri-captain with Torres and Bonifas), the left defender.

"Lucy and Grace are a dialed-in duo — there's this unspoken trust between them, and they're just walls in our backfield," the coach said.

"Grace is little, but very tough, never gives up, and is laser-focused in high-stress games. Balls just don't get by her, and you can't teach that kind of tenacity and determination," McCormick said of the fourth-year varsity starter.

The team's leading scorer, Charlotte Schipper, is a sophomore whose 12 goals were a team best as the week

The Pirates' explosive offense (58 goals in their first 14 games), also revolves around sophomore Tatum Le Towt (7 goals, 5 assists), and juniors Sophie Smith (6 goals, 5 assists) and Molly McAfee (4 goals, 3 assists each).

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Junior Elle Moreo, a talented left-side attacker, has been sidelined by an injury since the preseason jamboree.

The goalkeeper position is a one-two punch. Sophomore Zola Ducker, who also plays goalie in lacrosse, has 28 saves for the Pirates, sharing the position with junior Gina Throreaux (10 saves).

The third defender, junior Sydney Holland, is part of a back wall that has produced eight shutouts this season, and held three other opponents to a single goal.

Much credit for those statistics also belongs to the midfield, which rarely allows the ball to cross the 50 yard line.

A deep bench on the 20-player roster includes senior Hannah Haggquist, juniors Mary Zewert, Iris Hirsch, Sarah Chaabane and Lauren Rauber, sophomore Paige Skinner, and freshman Ella Bradford.

"For us to break through and make the second or third round of the playoffs this season would be huge, not only for us, but for all of the schools in our area," said McCormick, whose team was 11-3 overall when the week began. "And I think we have the chemistry to do it."

#### Gallagher solidifies CHS defense

Carmel High, 4-3 in the PCAL, 5-5-1 overall, also boasts a strong defense, anchored by senior Ella Gallagher, and second-year team captain who plays the left defender position.

'We like her on the left because she's very good at dribbling the ball through our opponent's strong side when we need to clear it," said head coach Cassie Hanson, who has nine seniors on her roster. "We really rely on her stick skills."

Also exceptional at clearing the ball away from the goal is fellow senior Sophia Tucker, a power hitter on the right flank of a defense. Senior Dayan Soriano, junior Michelle Clay, and sophomores Helena Miller and Cammie Rojas also rotate into the action.

#### Vision and instincts

Carmel's defense-minded center midfielder, senior co-captain Chloe Lemaster, plays with exceptional field vision and instincts.

"In our sport, center middie is the key position, in my opinion," Hanson said. "Chloe is a workhorse, she never gets super flustered, and she's very consistent and

A third captain, junior Leah Sibley, plays the left midfield spot with maturity, staying calm and communicating effectively

The Padres' most vocal player, senior Charlotte Mayer, is tireless at right middie, always reluctant to leave for a rested sub.

"Charlotte has a vocal competitiveness that I really love," Hanson said.

Ava Staehle, a junior, is Carmel's top offensive threat,

holding the PCAL lead with 28 goals. along with a team-best 5 assists.

"She comes from a family of athletes, she's super scrappy, and she's the kind of player who will throw her body at the ball to keep it from going out of bounds," the coach said of Staehle, a second-team all-leaguer in 2023.

#### **Balanced scoring**

Junior Claire Bonynge, second on the team with 6 goals, dislocated a kneecap in a recent practice and is unlikely to play again this year, said Hanson, who will look to seniors Avery Palshaw (5 goals), second-team All-PCAL standout Ava Mangiapane (3 goals, team-high 4 assists), Kate Graham (2), and Norah Falkel (3 assists), and junior Sydney Beverly to pick up the slack.

Two exceptional newcomers protect the goal. Both sophomore Peyton

Mastin (last year's JV starter, and also a softball catcher) and freshman Lillian Mettler (playing a sport for the first time) have performed admirably between the posts.

Santa Catalina coach Julian Salas has just 12 varsity players for a sport that requires 11 starters — but the Cou-



PHOTO / KERRY BELSER

Georgia Bonifas (dark jersey) draws a crowd as Stevenson's second-leading scorer this season. She's a returning All-PCAL player for the first-place Pirates.

gars have been competitive throughout the season in a

quest to return to the playoffs. Notable were Catalina's 0-0 September tie with defend-

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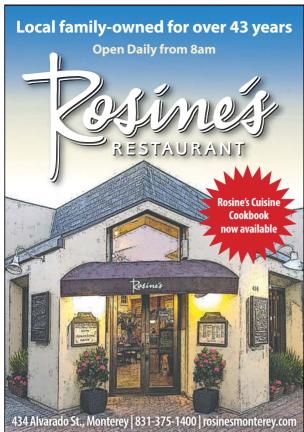


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ing PCAL champ Hollister, shutout victories over Monterey and Greenfield, and hard-fought losses to Stevenson (twice) and Carmel.

A stalwart for the Cougars is goalkeeper Sophia McHugh, a fourth-year starter who led the PCAL with 59 saves

"She's the reason we've been competitive in a lot of these games," Salas said of McHugh, a second-team all-leaguer in 2023. "She's made so many important saves to keep us in games, and when we can capitalize on that elsewhere on the field, we end up winning some of those games."

#### Scrappy defensive backs

Collaborators on Catalina's back row include center back Emily Limoges, one of the team's most experienced players, junior Isabel Fujita, a third-year varsity player and vocal leader who often guards the most dangerous opponent, athletic freshman Kali Peck, and versatile senior Sawyer Vogel, who sometimes moves into the midfield.

A key middie, senior Olivia Da Silva, is a third-year varsity player who has developed one of the hardest shots on the team.

Delilah Fujita, a coachable junior, is one of the team's hardest workers, tireless at right middie, and senior captain Piper Butler (6 assists, a team high) uses her speed to create offensive opportunities.

Sophomore Isla Harrington, who moves between left

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outside middie and forward, has a rapidly improving power shot.

#### Hockey newbie leads in goals

The team's top scorer, sophomore Sophie Thompson, is a first-time hockey player who has tallied 6 goals since moving from defender to forward.

"She scored two goals in the first game I ever put her at forward," Salas said. Da Silva and Butler are second in goals with 2 each.

Jayla Pallesteros, a junior midfielder, has show rapid improvement during the three weeks she's been with the team, and sophomore Evie Wright also is developing her skills as a second-year defender.

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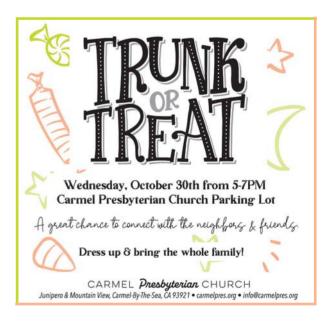


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Sophomore Charlotte Schipper (black jersey) led all Stevenson scorers with 12 goals when this week began.

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By CHRIS COUNTS

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Tickets start at \$35.

Also, a folk and gospel duo, Ma Muse, performs at the Golden State Friday at 7:30 p.m. The theater is located at 417 Alvarado St. Tickets start at \$36.

Tickets are on sale now for a Dec. 14 show at the Golden State by two-time Grammy Award nominee, blues singer

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A folk and gospel ensemble led by Sarah Nutting and Karisha Longaker, Ma Muse performs Friday, 7:30 p.m., at Golden State Theatre in Monterey.

#### ■ 'Jazz at the Ranch'

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The lineup for the fundraiser — which is titled "Jazz at the Ranch" - includes singer and guitarist Chris Cain and The Monterey Jazz Festival Regional All-Star Jazz Combo (Friday), singer Nicolas Bearde with Full Spectrum Jazz Band and singer Sarah McKenzie (Saturday), and Los Lobos and The Latin Jazz Collective (Sunday).

The music starts at 3:30 p.m. each day.

Tickets are \$125 for Friday and Saturday, and \$250 for Sunday. Rancho Cielo is located at 710 Old Stage Road. ranchocieloyc.org

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### Soup to Nuts

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The three contenders who emerged from the first bouts of Round 2 of the Links Club's Battle of the Bartenders will face off Oct. 21 in "an electrifying showdown" as they compete for cash prizes "and the esteemed title of Best Bartender," April Montgomery, owner of the Carmel Plaza-based venue announced Tuesday afternoon.

"The stakes are high as three finalists will mix, shake and stir their way through an unforgettable night of creativity and skill," she said. "Sponsored by Herradura Tequila, this exciting event will also feature a tiki drink round and a surprise spirit round that will keep you on the edge of your seat."



Oystertown, the catering company that specializes in shucking, is doing a pop-up at Pearl Hour in Monterey Friday evening. They're planning several oyster options plus bacon candy and "super meaty meatballs."

The finalists in the Monterey round are George Thompson of Compact Disco, Radiance Weaver from Lalla Grill and David Juarez, bartender at the C Bar in the InterContinental on Cannery Row. Their entries will be scrutinized by judges and the audience.

Tickets are available in advance online at linksclubgolf. com for \$35 or for \$45 the day of the event, which begins at 6:30 p.m., and include sample cocktails and small bites. The Links Club is located on the lower level of the Plaza at Mission and Ocean.

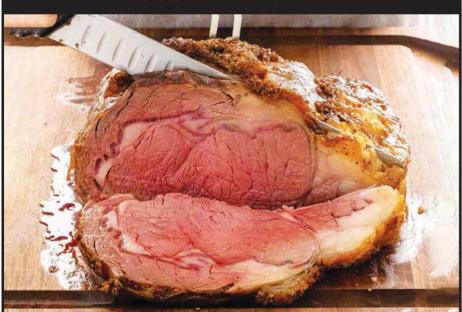
"Don't miss your chance to witness this thrilling battle and support your local bartenders," Montgomery

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#### **FOOD** From previous page

said. "Who will take home the bragging rights and advance to the Monterey Peninsula Grand Slam Battle of the Bartenders? Join us to find out and be part of the excitement."

#### ■ Oystertown's at it again

The shellfish catering company, which will soon open a location on Lighthouse Avenue in Monterey, is doing a pop-up at Pearl Hour (214 Lighthouse Ave., Monterey) on Friday from "6 p.m. or until shucked out," organizers say. In addition to ice-cold fresh Pacific oysters with mignonette (sauce), you can get your shellfish with smoked trout roe, crème fraiche and chives or heirloom tomato with pineap-

ple-basil dressing. They'll also have them Caesar-style, with dressing, Parmesan and breadcrumbs. Bacon candy — bacon with brown sugar glaze — will also be available, along with "super meaty meatballs" and Ad Astra bread with herb and garlic butter. All items will be for sale at market

#### ■ To the dogs

Max's Helping Paws, a nonprofit that helps pets suffering health crises receive critical care, will host its 5th Annual Howlo-Ween Fundraiser at the Forest Theater in Carmel Sunday, Oct. 27, from 11 a.m. to

Staged in the outdoor theater at Santa Rita and Mountain View, the party will begin with dog photo shoots with local photographer Liz Stavrinides of Love-

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### WINE

Dog + Co., live music, light refreshments and "spooky vendors," and a kid-friendly magic show will kick off at noon.

At 1 p.m., the main event — a judged dog costume contest with a red-carpet runway and ramp "for dogs of all ages" — will commence.

While anyone can attend Howl-o-Ween for free, with or without a pet, the photography sessions and contest are ticketed, with the photo shoots costing \$33.85 apiece, the contest running \$23.18 for up to three dogs, and a combination of both going for \$44.52. Tickets are available through Eventbrite.com.

Contest categories include Scariest Costume, Most Adorable, Best Kid & Dog Duo, Best Handmade and Best in Show, which is selected by the audience.

For more about Max's Helping Paws, go to maxshelpingpaws.org.

#### ■ Pizza, wine and music at Shearwater

Shearwater Tavern, the restaurant at Carmel Mission Inn, has teamed up with Fire on Wheels Artisan Pizza from Carmel Valley, Lady Somm, and Casey Frazier Music to present Pizza Jams, which will combine wine and food with live music in the inn's courtyard on Thursday, Oct. 24, from 6 to 9 p.m.

Fire on Wheels will bring its mobile wood-fired oven to the party. A family operation, Fire on Wheels caters weddings, parties and all sorts of other events. The crew promises to offer "something for everyone. from timeless classics like pepperoni and Margherita to inventive, chef-driven creations such as prosciutto with blackberries and béchamel, and BBQ pulled pork with red wine, onions and tangy BBQ sauce." Vegetarian options will also be available, and Lady Somm will curate the wine to complement that menu.

The evening's soundtrack will feature Monterey-based singer/songwriter Casey

Frazier, who performs a "blend of Americana, folk, and blues." Pizza Jams is dogfriendly event, and guests are encouraged to bring their four-legged companions. Although Carmel Mission Inn's courtyard has several fire pits, guests are encouraged to dress warmly. All attendees will receive coupons good for return visits to Shearwater Tavern.

Entry to Pizza Jams is complimentary, while the pizza, wine and non-alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase. You can park at Mission Inn at 3665 Rio Road, Carmel. For more information or to book a stay, visit carmelmissioninn.com or call 800-348-9090.

#### ■ Find your fortune at Bernardus

Bernardus Lodge (415 W. Carmel Val-

ley Road) is celebrating the most haunted night of the year with "Spirits and Spells," a fun way to finish whatever you've been up to on Halloween. Just stop by between 8 and 9:30 p.m. on Oct. 31, have a seat by the fire, and get a tarot reading.

Each card comes with its own unique advice and affirmation and "will be paired with a thoughtfully created beverage menu that mirrors the essence of each tarot characteristic," said a spokesperson for the

The event is meant to highlight the Lodge's menu of cocktails and highlight nonalcoholic beverage options, aka mocktails. Nonrefundable tickets are \$25 apiece (plus fees) and include one beverage. To purchase, go to exploretock.com.

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

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#### MUSIC From page 45A

cials. According to the Charities, they're on a mission "to bring their twist on funk and soul music to the ears of the world." Samba Loca is an Afro-Brazilian drum ensemble.

"We're honoring our vibrant community, our dedicated team — past and present — and the amazing guests who have continuously made Treebones special," the resort announced.

Tickets are \$66. The resort is located at 71895 Highway 1. For more details, visit treebonesresort.com.

#### ■ Party for a good cause

Benefiting the Carmel Valley Improvement Committee, **The Casey Frazier Band** and **The Undecided Band** play Saturday, 6 p.m., at the 11th annual Party in the Village, which is hosted by Hidden Valley Music Seminars.

According to president **Kakani Young**, the committee works "tirelessly behind the scenes to keep Carmel Valley



Fruition takes the stage Wednesday, 5 p.m., at Folktale Winery in Carmel Valley.

Village clean, safe and beautiful."

Tickets are \$65 and include a BBQ dinner. Hidden Valley is located at 104 W. Carmel Valley Road. For more details, visit cvvic.org.

#### Live music Oct. 18-24

#### **■** Big Sur

Big Sur River Inn — singer and guitarist Rick Chelew

(Saturday at 12:30 p.m.), saxophonist **Roger Eddy** (jazz, Sunday at noon). 46800 Highway 1.

**Fernwood Resort** — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Ryan McCaffrey** (Saturday at 10 p.m.). 47200 Highway 1.

#### **■** Carmel

**Barmel** — singer and guitarist **Kyle Kovalik** (Sunday and 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 multi-instrumentalist **Rory Lynch** (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and pia-

nist **Dino Vera** (jazz, blues and r&b, Saturday at 8 p.m. and Thursday at 7 p.m.). 120 Highlands Drive.

The Links Club — River Voices (Americana, Friday at 7:30 p.m.), Shannon & The Night Divers (pop, funk, & r&b, 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 St.

#### **■** Carmel Valley

Bernardus Lodge & Spa — pianist Michael Culver (jazz, Friday and Saturday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **Kip Allert** (Saturday at noon), pianist **Martan Mann** (jazz, Saturday

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

Trailside Cafe — mandolinist Dave Holodiloff (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del

Fino Place.

#### **■** Monterey

**Albatross Ridge Winery and Kitchen** - singer and guitarist **Dan Cioper** (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist Asher MacEnulty (Saturday at 6 p.m.). 316

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** — Tribe in the Sky presents a weekly Community Jam (Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.). 611 Lighthouse

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.). 750 Cannery Row.

Melville Tavern in Monterey Shilstone and Wilson (rock, Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.). 484 Washington St.

Midici Pizza — singer Janice Perl, keyboardist Pamela Charles Arthur and bassist Joe Dolister (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.), The David Morwood **Trio** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St.

Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa pianist Steve Mann (jazz, Friday and Sunday at 5 p.m.), singer and pianist Scott Brown (jazz and pop, Saturday at 5 p.m.), multi-instrumentalist Martan Mann (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.), singer and guitarist Paul Behan (Monday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist Adrea Castiano (Tuesday at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist Mer-

edith McHenry (Wednesday at 6 p.m.), Andrea's Fault Duo (jazz and pop, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 400 Cannery Row.

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

Salty Seal Pub — The Rogue Roosters (rock and blues, Friday at 8 p.m.), Blind Pass (rock, Saturday at 8 p.m.), Rumba Madre (Latin fusion, Sunday at 4 p.m.), Snake Oil Road Show (acoustic alt-rock, Thursday at 7 p.m.). 653 Cannery Row.

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

Sly McFly's — 60 East (classic rock and reggae, Friday at 9 p.m.), The New



Singer and guitarist Sean Hayes headlines Treebones' Resort's 20th anniversary celebration Saturday in Big Sur.

Wave Band (rock, Saturday at 9 p.m.).

#### **■** Pacific Grove

700 Cannery Row.

Il Vecchio Restaurant — The Al James Duo (blues, Tuesday at 6 p.m.), The Cena Jazz Trio (Thursday at 6 p.m.). 110 Central Ave.

PG's Meetinghouse — singer and guitarist Frida Vossler (Friday at 4:30 p.m.), Open Mic (Friday at 7 p.m.), guitarist Bruce Forman and multi-instrumentalist Paul Contos (jazz, Saturday at 6:30 p.m.), The Peter Barnes Martin Duo (jazz, Sunday at 11 a.m.), mandolinist Dave Holodiloff and pianist Michael

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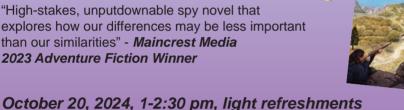
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# LIVES

for the weekends. "Mom and Dad always insisted on handwritten thank-you notes," he said, and the sentiments were heartfelt. "People were just so kind. It really meant a lot and still does," he said.

As he approached college age, Robertson said — in the manner of young people in small towns everywhere — "I couldn't wait to leave Carmel. It was foggy, cold and full of old people. There was nothing to do." He attended Cañada College



PHOTO/COURTESY GRAEME ROBERTSON

Graeme Robertson (front row, second from left) shared this photo of his class from Daniel Stewart's College in Edinburgh. He had the same teacher his father had.

in Redwood City and graduated from San Diego State University in 1982 with a business management degree, less than a year after becoming a U.S. citizen.

#### **Coming home**

He continued to spend a fair amount of time on the courts. "I played tennis for Cañada Junior College in Redwood City. I was on the team that won the California State Community College Team Tennis Championship in 1978 and again in 1979. In addition, in 1979, I won the California State Community College Tennis doubles title with my partner, Beto Bloise, who was

originally from Brazil."

Robertson went to work in sales and marketing, including at Gallo Winery, PepsiCo and Merrill Lynch. He said that his career solidified the importance of good relationships, and he has made relationship-building a cornerstone of his business and charitable work. In 1996, he returned to Carmel and became active in the community.

A partial list of his board memberships includes Sunset Center, Carmel Youth Center, Carmel High School Foundation, Carmel Public Library Foundation, founding board member of the Hilton Bialek Habitat at MEarth, and chairing boards at the

chamber of commerce and Church in the Forest. Robertson is a past president of the local Rotary Club, and in 2018, he was honored as the Carmel Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year.

#### Collaboration

During an unsuccessful run for city council in 2020, he nevertheless received numerous endorsements from residents, business owners former mayors and former city council members.

Since 2023, he's been president of the Carmel Residents Association. He said he got involved when

former mayor and longtime family friend Ken White asked him to, and he expressed great admiration for White, along with association members Nancy and Tim Twomey, JC Myers and many other community leaders and members.

Robertson said he was proud of the organization's collaboration with businesses, the chamber and other groups, creating collegial relationships in the midst of competing priorities. He was quite pleased with the group's recent candidates forum and its ongoing monthly beach cleanups with other local groups. He said he wants to "keep Carmel Carmel."

Robertson and his wife of 40 years. whom he met at San Diego State on a blind date, live above the Carmel Mission. They've raised two sons and have three grandchildren, and Robertson continues to enjoy playing tennis.

#### Unparalleled

In a 2020 campaign post on social media, Robertson wrote, "Thousands of people helped create the essence of Carmel-by-the-Sea over the last 104 years. Their vision, foresight and hard work enable residents and visitors to enjoy a quality of life and experience that is unparalleled.'

By way of example, he recalled his family's arrival and said, "I still remember the first day, when we came down Ocean Avenue to Scenic Road." These days, as he drives along the beach and reaches the hairpin turn on Scenic, Robertson observes, "It hasn't fundamentally changed. I'm looking out on the view and it's a testament to people in the area."

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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

Oct. 19 - Experts and young adults share insights on living with epilepsy, during a Mental Health Panel at the YMCA Monterey. Then, participate in our Walk 4 Epilepsy on Oct. 20 to raise awareness and support. Learn more at www. voungadultswithepilepsy.org.

Oct. 19-20 – Unlock a world of creativity at the 32nd Annual Open Studios Art Tour presented by the Arts Council for Monterey County! Visit talented artist studios and galleries across our region during this community event. Plan your journey via our FREE mobile app or magazine guide. Learn more at arts4mc.org!

Oct. 20 – The Pacific Brass Band performs at Hidden Valley Ranch, Carmel Valley, 5:30 p.m. Donations accepted. Our 30 member English style brass band is a volunteer organization under the direction of Jim O'Briant. Our repertoire consists of original works, orchestral transcriptions, marches, medleys, and hymn tunes all arranged in a unique brass band style.

Oct. 21 - "What's the State of Our Village?" Chip Rerig, Carmel city administrator since 2016, will share his insider's view about what is happening now and on the horizon in Carmel. 2 p.m. at Carmel Woman's Club, San Carlos and Ninth. Open to the public, \$10 guests/members free.

Oct. 23 - Henry Meade Williams Local History Lecture Series presents: A Sense of Place: Profiles from the Collection. Jane Gallatin Powers and the Ladies of the Club: How the women artists of early Carmel shaped its destiny, with Erin Lee Gafill, her great-great-granddaughter. 7 p.m. at Carpenter Hall, Sunset Center & Online. Register required, on our website: www.carmelpubliclibraryfoundation. org. Hosted by the Carmel Public Library Foundation. Cost: Free; \$10 suggested contribution. Questions? info@ carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org or (831) 624-2811.

Through October - Sunset Cultural Center is proud to welcome "The Naked Face" to the Marjorie Evans Gallery for a two-month-long exhibit of works by Joan Lewis. The gallery is in Sunset Center at San Carlos and Ninth, Carmel-by-the-Sea. To learn more, visit joanlewisartwork.com

Oct. 24 – Climate Action Day, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Point Lobos State Natural Reserve. Join Point Lobos docents to learn how climate change is impacting coastal habitats through presentations, displays and conversations. Event is free with a 510 vehicle day-use fee. For more information, please contact Ashley Wemp, (831) 884-2957.

Oct. 26 - Annual Hunter Moon Arts & Crafts Fair, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Carmel Valley Lodge, 8 Ford Road, Carmel Valley. Stop by to view booths featuring local artists, crafters, galleries and more. This unique and fun event only happens once a year so don't miss out! Food & drink by The Bitter Ginger.

Oct. 26 - De Tierra Vineyards presents Yachtober, Yacht Rock performed live by the Alex Lucero Band. Event includes a luxurious food banquet, paired with exquisite yacht worthy wines, a lively dance floor and full-stocked cash bar. Event held at Carmel Missino Inn, 3665 Rio Road, Carmel. Call (831) 622-9794 or visit info@detierra.com



Oct. 27 - Max's Helping Paws Annual Howloween Fundraiser, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Outdoor Forest Theater, Carmel. Dog costume contest with runway and judges, professional dog photos, magic show, live music, vendors and more. Kidfriendly, free to attend. Participants urged to pre-register for tickets. Details at: information:www. maxshelpingpaws.org/events.

Oct. 31 - Don't miss the fun free 6th Halloween on the Wharf at Old Fisherman's Wharf from 4 to 7 p.m. Trick or treating at more than 25 Wharf merchants, a costume contest with lots of cash prizes, photos ops and more. Info at: www. montereywharf.com

Nov. 1 - Join us for a Halloween Party, 6 to 10 p.m. with a costume contest. Live music by **Wrockinfoose** starts at 7 p.m. \$10 donation at the door for the band; Dolores 2 south of Eighth, Carmel. Info: alpost512carmel.org

Nov. 9 - A Holiday Craft Fair event open to the public, 10 am. to 3 p.m. at the Monterey Elks Lodge, 150 Mar Vista Drive in Monterey. More than 30 artisan crafters. Sandwich, chips, cookie and soda available for \$10. For more information, please contact Gli VonWinning (831) 373-1285.

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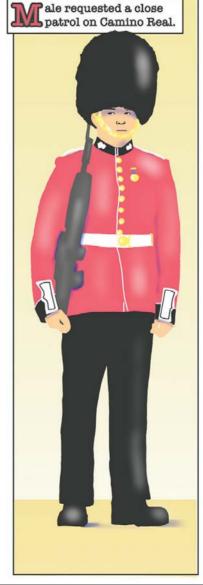
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### ARTIST

"I was standing next to the bar, and this beautiful woman, wearing a green turtleneck, walked up and said, 'Hi, Bill. How are you?'

"And I thought, 'Well, I don't know this person, but this certainly is a friendly club!"

They were married the following year. After giving birth to the last of their three children — John, Christopher and Sarah — Patricia enjoyed a successful professional modeling career with the Frazier-Nicklin Agency, launched her own line of cosmetics and still has numerous longtime clients as a makeup artist with Cos Bar Luxury Cosmetics in Carmel Plaza.

Retirement brought Eatmon back to his easel for the first time in almost four decades. For the past 20 years, he has painted with oils, acrylics, watercolors and pastels, exploring styles ranging from realism to abstract, with affections for impressionism and pointillism.

From 2011 through 2016, Eatmon exclusively exhibited his work at William's Gallery in Carmel Plaza, where he typically displayed nearly 100 of his paintings at a time.

A highlight of his lengthy curriculum vita was an unsolicited 2011 invitation to showcase his work at the prestigious Florence Biennale exhibition in Italy. Eatmon has since become a regular artist at the exhibit, where he has shown seven times, most recently last October.

#### Quantum physics in art

"They found me through my website and liked that I put science in almost all of my paintings," he said. "I've also done landscapes, seascapes and other things, but that isn't what they wanted.

"My thought was, 'How do you display quantum physics in a painting?' That's what I try to do, and that's what makes my work different."

Eatmon's paintings are owned by clients in 19 countries.

The multi-time grandfather is also a licensed instrument-rated pilot — in the 1970s he owned a Cessna Cardinal RG-177 jet — but stopped piloting several years ago.

For additional information, and to find images of his art, visit weatmon.artspan. com. To see his "Artist of the Month" show, stop by Venture Gallery at 260 Alvarado St. in Monterey, inside the Por-

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

### CONCERT

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Martinez (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 — King Bee (blues, Saturday at 2 p.m.), The Next **Blues Band** (Sunday at 2 p.m.). 1120 Lighthouse Ave.

#### **■** Pebble Beach

The Lodge at Pebble Beach multi-instrumentalist Gary **Regina** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist Rory Lynch (pop, rock and country, Saturday at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist Meredith McHenry (Thursday at 6 p.m.). In the Terrace Lounge at 1700 17 Mile Drive.

#### **■** Seaside

Deja Blue — The Simon Russell Trio (r&b and soul, Saturday at 3 p.m.), Wrockinfoose (r&b and pop, Sunday at 3 p.m.). 500 Broadway.

Gusto Pasta and Pizza — mandolinist David Holodiloff and keyboardist Juneau Rowe (jazz, Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). 1901 Fremont Blvd.

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File No. 20241722 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
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County of MONTEREY

Registrant(s): 200 Lighthouse LLC, 2305 Historic De-catur Road, Ste. 100, San Diego, CA 92106 This business is conducted by a limited

This business is conducted by a limited liability company Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. 200 Lighthouse LLC S/ Ricky Martin, Manager This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 09/12/2024. 9/27, 10/4, 10/11, 10/18/24 CNS-3853441# CNS-3853441# CONE Publication Dates: Sept. 27, Oct. 4, 11,

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

### File No. 20241764 The following person(s) is (are) doing

Jessica Rice Coaching, 19525 Vierra Canyon Road, Prunedale, CA 93907

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Registrant(s): Rowan and Hazel, LLC, 19525 Vierra Canyon Road, Prunedale, CA 93907 This business is conducted by a limited

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02/01/2023.
Rowan and Hazel, LLC
S/ Jessica Karl Rice, Manager
This statement was filed with the County
Clerk of Monterey County on
09/17/2024.
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#### 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 Registered Owner(s): MICHAEL HIBPSHMAN

This business is conducted by AN INDI-

VIDUAL
Registrant commenced to transact
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S/ MICHAEL HIBPSHMAN
This statement was filed with the County
Clerk of Monterey County of
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#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

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

Ine following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
HIGHLAND CONSTRUCTION, 3785
Via Nona Marie, #305, Carmel, CA.
93923, County of MONITEREY
Name of Corporation:
HIGHLAND GENERAL CONSTRUCTION, 3785 Via Nona Marie, #305, Carmel, CA. 93923.
This business is conducted by A CORPORATION.
Registrant commenced to transact business

RATION.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 03/01/2024
S/BLAKE STOCKER, CEO
09/19/2024
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This statement was filed with the County

Clerk of Monterey County 09/19/2024 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

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 under the fictitious business name listed above on09/16/2024

S/Justine Cline
09/16/2024

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1983 and 1988 of the California Civil Code.
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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person(s) is(are) doing

business as:

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W GABILAN ST. SALINAS, CA 93901,
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CA
This business is conducted by A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE S/ JESUS JUAREZ, MANAGING MEMBER This and the second seco

MEMBER
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County Clerk of Monterey County on
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2024. (PC 1004)

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

FILE 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.
Name of Corporation.

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 Registrant commenced to transact Dusiness 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

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 adollars (\$1,000). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).

Records Act (Sovernment Cods Sciences 6250-6277).
S/Gregory E. Penn, CEO
Date: Sept. 12, 2024
This statement was filed with the County
Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 19,

Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 19, 2024.

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#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2024 1825
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: HILLTOWN INSTRUMENT REPAIR, 22220 Tara Ct., Salinas, CA

93908.
Registered Owner(s):
DESIREE GABRIELLE YOUNGBLOOD

QUINN MARTIN KAUFMAN PEDERSEN This business is conducted by a married

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

Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 30, 2024.
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tion Dates: Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2024

#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2024 1681 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(s) is (are) doing

business as:
1. SRS CONSTRUCTION
2. SRS CONSTRUCTION SERVICES
5451 Industrial Way, Benicia,

of Principal Place of Business: SOLANO.

County of Principal Place of Business: SOLANO.

Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: SHARIO, LLC.

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

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Oct. 25, 2022.

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S/Francisco Vega, COO Date: Aug. 21, 2024

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision

Clerk or Monterey County on Sept. 3, 2024.

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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. 11, 18, 25, Nov. 1, 2024. (PC 1009)

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20241667
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s): The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: IN PLAIN SIGHT ADVOCACY ALLIANCE, P.O. Box 1198 1594\*, Sacramento, CA 95812.

Registered Owner(s):
ALICE THERESA CONNORS, P.O. Box
1198 1594\*, Sacramento, CA 95812.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or

ness under the inclines business name or names listed above on N/A.

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S/Alice T. Connors
Date signed: Sept. 4, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 4, 2024

Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 4, 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 eral, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions

Code). Publication Dates: Oct. 11, 18, 25, Nov. 1, 2024 (PC 1010)

#### SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

#### ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 24CV004155
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, ASOMOE JOALLE FALESA PUNI, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A.Present name: ASOMOE JOALLE FALESA PUNI

ASOMOE JOALLE FALESA PUNI Proposed name:
ASOMOE JOALLE FALESA TUPUOLA THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING:
DATE: Dec. 6, 2024

DATE: Dec. 6, 2024 TIME: 8:30 a.m. DEPT: 14

DEP1: 14
The address of the court is 1200
Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
A copy of this Order to Show Cause
shall be published at least once each week shall be published at least of nice actin week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone.

[s] Thomas W, Wills

Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: Oct. 2, 2024
Publication Dates: Oct. 11, 18, 25, Nov. 1, 2024. (PC 1012)

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20241863 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person 1 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: GALLAGHER AMMUNITION, 871 Alice St., Apt. 6, Monterey, CA

93940.
Registered Owner(s):
COLIN GERARD GALLAGHER. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or

names listed above on Oct. 3, 2024.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL IN-FORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS
TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who
declares as true any malerial matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and

suant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

\$/Colin Gerard Gallagher
Date signed: Oct. 7, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 7, 2024.

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920. a Fictitious Name

(a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name (a) of Section 17920, a Hichitous Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filled 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 fo statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Busi-ness Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in vi-olation of the rights of another under Fed-eral, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions

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#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT The following person(s) is (are) doing

me rollowing person(s) is (are) doing business as:

DHE Transportation, 880 Airport Blvd, Salinas, CA 93901

County of MONTEREY Registrant(s):

AAA Cooper Transportation 1750

Registrant(s): AAA Cooper Transportation, 1751 Kinsey Road, Dothan, AL 36303 This business is conducted by a Corpo-

ration
Registrant commenced to transact
business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on
07/30/2024.
AAA Cooper Transportation
S/ Michelle Lewis, CFO
This statement was filed with the
County Clerk of Monterey County on
09/25/2024.

LEGALS DEADLINE: Tuesday 3:00 pm legals@carmelpinecone.com 10/11, 10/18, 10/25, 11/1/24 CNS-3859488# CARMEL PINE CONE

Publication Dates: Oct. 11, 18, 25, Nov. 1, 2024. (PC 1014)

Lien Sale Auction Advertisement Notice is hereby given that Pursuant to the California Self-Service Storage Facility Act, (B&P Code 21700 et. seq.) Auction to be held at 4:00PM on October 25, 2024 at

www.selfstorageauction.com.
The property is stored at:
Marina U Store Self Storage
475 Reservation Road
Marina, CA 93933 Crystal Jefferson Jerry Brown

CNS-3859851# CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: Oct. 11, 2024. (PC 1015)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20241830 The following person(s) is (are) doing

business as:

MONTEREY BAY LANDSCAPE INNOVATION, 1123 ALAMO WAY
APT 7, SALINAS, CA 93905
County of MONTEREY
Registrant(s).

County of MONTEREY Registrant(s): JUAN VAZQUEZ, 1123 ALAMO WAY APT 7, SALINAS, CA 93905 This business is conducted by an Indi-yidual

vidual
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
S/ JUAN VAZQUEZ
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 09/30/2024.
10/11, 10/18, 10/25, 11/1/24
CNS-3851616#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: Oct. 11, 18, 25, Nov. 1, 2024. (PC 1016)

#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20241782
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CAMINO CIVIL ENGINEER-ING, 552 San Benito St., Salinas, CA 93905.

ING, 552 San Bentro St., Gamma, 93905.
Registered Owner(s):
RUBEN MENDOZA, 100 W. Alisal St.,
P.O. Box 175, Salinas, California 93902.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business name or names listed above on Sept. 17, 2024.

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BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THÁT 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/Ruben Mendoza Date signed: Sept. 23, 2024.
This statement was filled with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 23, 2024.

Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 23, 2024.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictititious 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. 18, 25, Nov. 1, 8, 2024 (PC 1021)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20241839 The following person(s) is(are) doing

business as:
LINEA DE ORCO, 1511 MCKINNON
ST B, SALINAS, CA 93906, County of
MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s):
ABRAHAM SIGUENZA, 1511 MCKINNON ST B SALINAS, CA 93906
This business is conducted by AN INDIVIDUAL

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

S/ABRAHAM SIGUENZA
This statement was filed with the County
Clerk of Monterey County on
10/01/2024
10/18, 10/25, 11/1, 11/8/24
CNS-3855972#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: Oct. 18, 25, Nov. 1,
8, 2024. (PC 1022)

#### EICTITIONS BUSINESS

FIGURE STATEMENT
File No. 20241856
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

ness as:

1. COAST WILDLAND

2. COAST WILDLAND MANAGEMENT
38493 Palo Colorado Rd., Carmel, CA of Principal Place of Business:

MONTEREY

County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.:
GROW YOUR LUNCH, LLC, P.O. Box 222962, Carmel, CA 93922.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictilious business name or names listed above on Sept. 27, 2024.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).
S/Benjamin R. Eichorn, Member Date: Sept. 27, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 4, 2024.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision

This statement was tited with the Country Clerk of Monterey Country on Oct. 4, 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 Fictificus Business Name in vi-olation of the rights of another under Fed-eral, State, or common law (See Section 1441) et seq., Business and Professions

Publication Dates: Oct. 18, 25, Nov. 1, 8, 2024. (PC 1024)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20241887 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person(1)

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The tollowing person(s) is (are) doing business as: BELLA STONE RESTORATION, 1530 Darwin St., Seaside, CA 93955. Registered Owner(s):
JIMMY NICK TURTURICI. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Mar. 1, 2007.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pur-

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/Jimmy Turturici
Date signed: Oct. 10, 2024
This statement was filed with the County
Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 10,

Clerk of Monterey County on Ucr. 10, 2024.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other. statement pursuant to Section 17913 othe 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

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20241793 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following person(1) Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The tollowing person(s) is (are) doing business as: MARK'S MOBILE LOCKSMITH, 1206 La Salle Ave., SPC 50, Seaside, CA 93955.

Registered Owner(s): JONATHAN PAUL WHITE, 1206 La Salle Ave., SPC 50, Seaside, CA 93955.

This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Inn. 17, 2022.

ness under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 17, 2022.

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/Jonathan Paul White Date signed: Sept. 24, 2024

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 24, 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 Codel. Publication Dates: Oct. 18, 25, Nov. 1, 8, 2024 (PC 1026)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2024/693 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The tollowing person(s) is (are) doing business as: SALINAS POLICE OFFICERS AS-SOCIATION, 312 E. Alisal St., Salinas,

CA 93901.
County of Principal Place of Business:
MONTEREY.

MONTEREY.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.:
SALINAS POLICE BENEFIT ASSOCIATION, P.O. Box 725, Salinas, CA 93902.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a corporation.

Registrant commenced to transact business

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Feb. 20, 1951.

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

S/Scott Sulton, Treasurer

S/Scott Sutton, Treasurer Date: July 30, 2024 Date: July 30, 2024
This statement was filed with the Coun-ty Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 4,

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 4, 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 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 of a Fichious business radine in Violention of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Publication Dates: Oct. 18, 25, Nov. 1, 8, 2024. (PC 1027)

#### BE PREPARED FOR EMERGENCIES

Register your phone number at

ALERTMONTEREYCOUNTY.ORG T.S. No. 125126-CA APN: 015-332-011-000 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 2/1/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE, IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER On 12/10/2024 at 10:00 AM, CLEAR YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER On 12/10/2024 at 10:00 AM, CLEAR RECON CORP, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 2/9/2006 as Instrument No. 2006012517 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Monterey County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: TOM K. JENSEN AND ADELAIDE B. JENSEN, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS ASSOCIATION, OR SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS ASSOCIATION, OR SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION. INGS ASSOCIATION, OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE; OUTSIDE THE MAIN ENTRANCE OF THE MONTERFY COUNTY ADMINISTRA-TION BUILDING LOCATED AT 168 WEST ALISAL STREET, SALINAS, CA 93901 all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: MORE ACCURATE-LY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 7 HACIENDA CARMEL, CARMEL, CA 93923 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including tees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$478,842.79 If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned or its predecessor caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be executed in the country where the real property is located NOTICE TO POTENTIAL recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (855) 313-3319 or visit this internet website, www.clearreconcorp.com, using the file number assigned to this case 125126-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: Fifective January 1, 2021, you may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (855) 313-3319, or visit this internet website www.clearreconcorp.com, using the file number assigned to this case 125126-CA to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. FOR SALES INFORMATION: (844) 477-7869

CLEAR RECON CORP 3333 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 225 San Diego, Cal-

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### Arts council's first studio tour wraps up Saturday and Sunday

THE THIRD group to organize the event in its 32-year history, the Arts Council for Monterey County wraps up its first Monterey County Open Studio Art Tour

**Art Roundup** 

By CHRIS COUNTS

this Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. to

The tour gives locals and visitors an opportunity to visit artists in their studios throughout the county.

The event is free, although you might need to fill up your gas tank before you get started. While most of the studios are located in Carmel, Monterey and Pacific

Grove, there is a handful in Carmel Valley and Salinas, and one each in Car-Highlands, Marina Royal Oaks (near and Prunedale).

> Sculptor Richard MacDonald's studio in Monterey is one of the stops on this year's Monterey County Open Studios Art Tour.

A sampling of artists participating this weekend includes painters Linda Elling, Mark Farina, Cheryl Kampe, Monica Johnson, Edi Matsumoto and Paola Berthoin, sculptors Rob Holt and Richard MacDonald, and ceramicist Mark Bollwinkel.

A number of arts groups are represented, too, including Peninsula Potters in Pacific Grove, and Open Ground Studios and the Weston Collective's Darkroom and Studio in Seaside.

#### Working together

"Explore over 125 artists, galleries, and these talented individual artists as they open their doors and share the stories behind their work," the group suggested on Facebook Thursday.

Since 2015, the tour has been presented by a Carmel-based group, Arts Habitat. The arts council said it's "thrilled to continue" what Arts Habitat established and reported that the two groups are working together during the transition.

'We are excited to work with all of the artists who have been a part of this event every year and welcome all the new artists who will be joining us," the Monterey-based arts council added.

For a map of all studios on the tour, along with more details, visit arts4mc.org.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20241862
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following personals in family

File No. 20241802
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: IN OUR NATURE THERAPY, 819
Filmore Street, Monterey, CA 93940.
Registered Owner(s):
KRISTINA MARIE SURINSK, 621 First Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Oct. 2, 2024.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL IN-FORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS
TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter prount 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/Kristina Slivinski
Date signed: Oct. 2, 2024
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 4, 2024.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 4, 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) 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).

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20241905
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following page (

File No. 20241905
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The tollowing person(s) is (are) doing business as: CARMEL VALLEY CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE, 505 Broadway Ave.,
Seaside, CA 93955.
Registered Owner(s):
JAMES ARTHUR VOSSEN, 505 Broadway Ave., Seaside, CA 93955.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Oct. 14, 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 time of the sum of the su

Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 14, 2024.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person 1 Thing type: Ordinate Hill doing business as: ETERNO BEAUTY BY ANA, 423 Pajaro St., Suite A, Salinas, CA 93901. Registered Owner(s):
ANA CRISTINA HINOJOSA RODRIGUEZ

ANA CRISTINA HINOJOSA RODRIGUEZ
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or
names listed above on N/A.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS
TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who
declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and
Professions Code the registrant knows to
be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand
dollars (\$1,000).
S/Ana Cristina Hinojosa Rodriguez
Date signed: Oct. 4, 2024
This statement was filled with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 4,
2024.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision

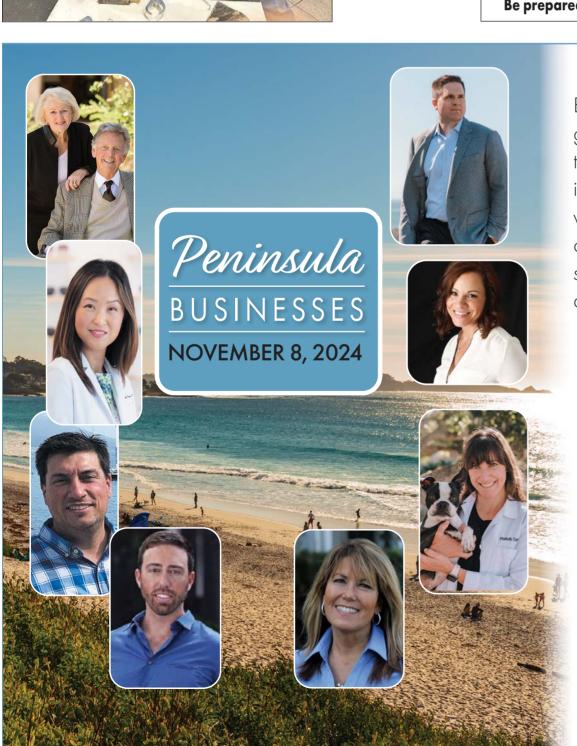
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 4, 2024.

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Besides its history, culture, scenery and great weather, one of the things that makes the Monterey Peninsula so wonderful is its outstanding business community. But who are the hard-working people behind all those amazing shops, restaurants and service providers? We will answer that question in our November 8 edition -

> Call your rep today, there's still time to be part of it.

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