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The Carmel Pine Cone

Real Estate

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Perched above the Pacific with sweeping ocean views, this stunning Spanish estate was designed in 1935 by renowned local architect Guy O. Koepp as his personal residence. Known for his work on Carmel landmarks like the Carmel Dairy Building and La Rambla, Koepp infused this home with timeless character, which was thoughtfully enhanced with thoughtful renovations that blend modern luxury with historic charm. The separate guest house, once a historic Spanish carriage home offers its own spectacular ocean views.

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Real Estate Sales March 2 - 8

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POLICE LOG

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Information received about an incident in the city of Seaside. A 55-year-old male made threats to kill Jimmy Panetta and Steve Dallas. He was arrested at his home in Seaside by SWAT.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Welfare check at a residence on Junipero north of Vista.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Wallet and keys turned in to an officer in the field at Junipero and Ocean. The items were later returned to the owner.

Pacific Grove: A 45-year-old male was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, possession of unlawful paraphernalia and driving on a suspended license. He was booked into Monterey County Jail on \$33,500 bail.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic stop conducted at Lorca and Camino del Monte for vehicle code violations resulted in the driver being arrested for two outstanding \$7,500 warrants. The 64-year-old male was released at the scene with a promise to appear.

Pacific Grove: Vandalism at a local business on Lighthouse Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Welfare check conducted on a juvenile Crocker Avenue resident after the juvenile sent concerning text messages.

Pebble Beach: Threats were made by a Sunridge Road resident. Case under investigation.

Big Sur: Report of financial abuse involving a Sycamore Canyon Road resident.

Carmel area: Report of financial abuse

involving an Upper Trail resident.

Pebble Beach: Neglect reported at a residence on Ocean Pines Lane.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic stop at Sixth and San Carlos at 0030 hours found the vehicle to have false DMV registration. Driver released with promise to appear.

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: A parked car was hit by an unknown vehicle, and the side mirror to the parked car was broken due to the collision.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic stop at Junipero and Sixth. A 22-year-old male was driving a vehicle with expired registration. He was found to have a restraining order that

needed to be served. He was served the order and was cited for vehicle code violations.

Pacific Grove: Child Protective Service reports involving subjects on Sunset Drive and at Country Club Gate Center.

SATURDAY, MARCH 1

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Purse abandoned at Sunset Center.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A scuff mark was discovered on a parked car at Santa Fe and Ocean.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Theft from a vehicle on Ocean Avenue. No suspect information. Case suspended.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Theft from a locked vehicle at Ocean and Scenic. Photos show the vehicle was tampered with from the trunk and camera equipment was taken. No suspect information.

Pacific Grove: Property was found near

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SPECIAL SECTION

SOARING MELODIES, CLASSIC LINES AND ONE HECK OF A VIEW

BY ELAINE HESSER

YOU HEAR him when the DeLorean takes Marty McFly back to the future and when the Avengers save the day. His work accompanies the Polar Express as it pulls into the North Pole, as well as astrophysicist Neil deGrasse Tyson's tales of the cosmos. In fact, local composer, lyricist, arranger and conductor Alan Silvestri's award-winning music has been in dozens of movies, not to mention television shows and live performances. He can toast his achievements with his namesake wines, too.

Now, the 14-acre Carmel Highlands estate where Silvestri produced many of his scores — and raised three kids with his wife, Sandra — is on the market, listed for \$16.8 million by Shelly Mitchell Lynch of Carmel Realty.

Family home

The impressive Craftsman-style house and surrounding guest and office spaces are on the east side of Highway 1 just minutes from town. Despite its attention-grabbing wood-and-stone architecture and expansive views of the Pacific Ocean, you don't have to be there long to recognize it for what it really is — a family home. The swimming pool out back has a water-slide, and a children's playground sits off to one side of the driveway. More than that, the place just feels full of life and warmth.

In the late 1980s, Silvestri and his wife were ready to find a home outside

of Hollywood. He wasn't certain the move here would work with his film career, but while he was composing music for the 1989 movie, "The Abyss," director James Cameron found his way to the house.

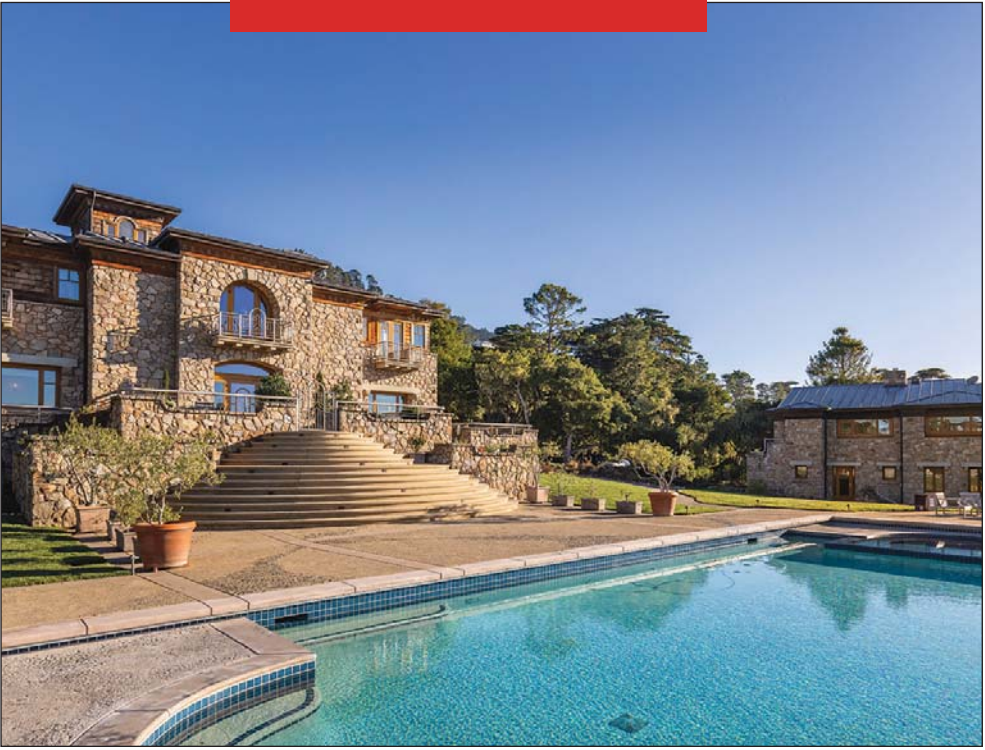
Loving attention

Seeing him coming up the driveway, the composer told Carmel Realty he thought, "OK, he was willing to come here, and maybe this will work out." You can tell they settled down happily — one of the sidewalks bears handprints of all three Silvestri children, as well as those of his parents, who lived with them for 25 years.

He and Sandra completed a more than 10-year renovation of the 1921 property, working on the main house and paying loving attention to the guest cottages and various workspaces where musical history was made.

Sandra's "dream kitchen" was a priority, and it shows. The literal and figurative heart of the home is eye-catching and stylish — with white and green marble counters — as well as eminently practical. There are double ovens, a six-burner gas range with a copper hood, two dishwashers and a generous refrigerator and freezer. Outside, you'll find a pizza oven and built-in grill, along with lemon trees and a vegetable garden to provide fresh produce. Meals can be served in the breakfast nook, dining room, or, of course, outdoors.

See **SILVESTRI** page 18 IYD



PHOTOS/(TOP AND MIDDLE) RYAN ROSENE, (ABOVE) SHERMAN CHU

Award-winning composer Alan Silvestri has written the scores to dozens of blockbuster films and television shows — many of them at his home in the Carmel Highlands (top). With 14 acres of land and Pacific Ocean views, the estate is anchored by a Craftsman-style stone-and-wood home with an outdoor swimming pool and hot tub (middle). There's also a 7,000-bottle wine cellar (above), which is what you'd expect from someone who's also a commercial wine maker.



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CATCHING THE VIEWS FROM THE MOST AWESOME RIDE IN BIG SUR

BY ELAINE HESSER

EVEN ON a writer’s best day, the Big Sur coast stubbornly refuses to be captured in prose. And forget that “1,000 words” adage, because photos don’t do it justice, either. Like the Grand Canyon, it’s just too epic. Too surreally beautiful. Too “too.”

But here we are, with a property that renders words like “amazing” and “stunning” a bit inadequate. Bien Sur, French for “Of Course,” comprises 43 acres — 17 on the waterfront — less than 2 miles north of Esalen Institute.

It’s offered by Nicole Truskowski and Zak Freedman of Sotheby’s for \$21.5 million. In addition to the gorgeous stretch of land, the buyer will get eight buildings and lots of amenities to make sure they’re as comfy and happy as the previous occupants were for 30 years.

One of them, Merle Mullin, said she first went there with her late husband, philanthropist and automobile collector Peter Mullin, whose business career was spent in financial services and insurance. The Southern California native had been showing cars at the Pebble Beach Concours d’Elegance before he and Merle met, and she said he had enjoyed staying at the Highlands Inn, where his balcony looked across Highway 1 to Wildcat Cove.

He decided he wanted to live there and bought a lot in the early 1990s but couldn’t start building without water credits. Meanwhile, Merle said, he had a business colleague who owned what’s now the main house at Bien Sur and kept inviting him to visit. Finally, Peter went.

“He was completely swept away. It was love at first sight,” Merle recalled.

With a bit of serendipity and some negotiating, he ob-

tained half ownership. Five years later, he bought the rest. He let go of the Wildcat Canyon project and embraced the wonders of his new place — unparalleled scenery, the scent of the woods, the roar of the ocean and a night sky that Merle said looks like “an inverted bowl of stars.”

Elegant collection

At first, they only spent two or three weeks a year there. Merle explained that Peter was always traveling, especially to car shows.

“He was very well known for his prominent collection of Bugattis,” she said, and had other French cars including Delahayes and Voisins. His collection was so extensive that the Mullins had a namesake auto museum in Oxnard

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PHOTOS/WAYNE CAPLIU

Bien Sur (left), a 43-acre estate near Esalen Institute, has several guest cottages, outdoor sculptures, ponds and streams. The main house is reached by a funicular, seen near the center of the aerial photo. Inside (right), one of the fireplaces is decorated with a whale bone that was found on the beach.

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BY ELAINE HESSER

IF YOU turn onto Rancho San Carlos Road from Carmel Valley Road, you soon come to the gate of The Preserve, 20,000 acres of land dotted here and there with houses. Not that you can see more than glimpses of them from the scenic, winding country lanes.

Overseen by the Santa Lucia Conservancy, a land trust whose stated mission is “to protect and steward in perpetuity the unique natural, cultural and aesthetic resources of The Preserve and promote residential communities that are ecologically sensitive,” the development — with 90 percent of its land protected — prides itself on values that promote responsible and thoughtful use.

The Meadow House at 2 Rumsen Trace is a fine example of fulfilling those good intentions.

Only a small portion of the more than 8,000-square-foot home and guest house is visible from the main road, and even when you’re standing in the middle of it, its appearance belies its expanse. Lisa Guthrie of La Tierra Realty, who has the house listed for \$14.5 million, said that when architect Michael English of San Francisco designed it, he heeded the clients’ desires to use the home for business and entertaining.

A Korean heart

The Meadow House, as it’s called, was completed in 2023 and embraces its natural surroundings. English created it for a Korean couple who wanted “a Californian home with a Korean heart,” that would allow them to work and have members of their multigenerational family come for extended stays.

At least, that’s according to the American Institute of Architects of San Francisco’s writeup of a 2024 Merit Award, one of about 20 from around the world the design has garnered. The AIA description goes on to say that a hanok, a Korean home, is meant to connect humans with nature. Entrances should be oriented toward the sun with expansive openings and deep verandas, and “light should be soft and subtle but omnipresent and coming from multiple places.”

The house works with the landscape, with a roughly z-shaped layout weaving between a grove of valley oaks and one of live oaks. On the morning The Pine Cone visited, some turkeys were checking out their reflections in the windows as a herd of deer grazed nearby.

See **MEADOW** page 24 IYD



PHOTOS/WAYNE CAPILL

Designed by architect Michael English, this home in the Santa Lucia Preserve was made for extended family visits but also invites large social functions and embraces its environment. Some of the wall-sized windows can be folded back to open indoor spaces to the fresh air (right).

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A short list of my favorite irritations, annoyances, and vexations

HAVING BLOWN past Gettysburg Address age, I often find myself playing the role of crusty curmudgeon, sometimes lovable, at other times as caustic as oven cleaner. There are things in life that cause me to be a bad-tempered, grouchy old man, often because I’m stubbornly resistant to change and/or because someone has thrown

a disturbing pebble into my placid pond. Here are some examples.

Supermarket discounts: Consider a supermarket checkout line — an ordinary place, in an ordinary town where commerce and convenience go hand in hand. But today, for one unsuspecting shopper, the rules of reality

are about to shift. I am the unsuspecting shopper, a veteran of countless price disputes and expired promotions. The cashier is the store manager, who is holding my cell phone while trying to show me how to use a digital coupon. The people behind me are edgy. They are in a world where time does not flow as it should, wondering why this old geezer is holding up the line. I tell the manager I shouldn’t need a tutorial on how to shop in his store. I suggest he tell his marketing geniuses to either give me the discount or

Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVASE

stop teasing me with it. At home, I check my receipt. I was charged full price. My annoyance level would cause Rod Serling to blow his brains out.

The fine print: A prescription I need has some serious side effects *if you’re pregnant*. Before I can start taking it, I have to enroll in an FDA Risk Evaluation Mitigation Strategies program called iPledge, requiring me to promise I won’t get pregnant while taking the medicine, which is so expensive, it will almost put me below the poverty line. Think about it. Poverty, chastity and obedience, the three prerequisites for becoming a nun. Give me a steel-edged wooden ruler to whack knuckles and call me Sister Mary Jerry. Mama would be proud. With five sons, she wanted a priest in the family. She would be thrilled to have a nun.

The point I want to make: When people say, “the point I want to make” during a discussion, it usually means they can’t gather their thoughts in a cohesive manner in order to make their point. Sometimes they get lost in details. It can also mean they are not listening to your side of the conversation, waiting impatiently to tell you about their point, which they are never going to make. The point I want to make is that you should avoid any discussion with them if you can, and if they try to tap your chest with a finger, leave.

The time change: How did all the people who came before us get by without daylight saving time? Imagine you are sitting in your cave, and you realize it’s staying light outside a bit longer than it did the day before. I won’t

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A SPOT IN THE HIGHLANDS FOR AN OSCAR-WINNING LEGEND

BY ELAINE HESSER

‘WHEN YOU buy a house, there’s a tremendous lot

you have to do — paint and refurbish and rewire,” said nearly everyone who ever bought a house. In this case, the speaker was Academy Award-winning actress Joan Fon-

taine, who was chatting up a Pine Cone reporter, and the house was her beloved Villa Fontana. Now on the market, Fontaine’s house is listed by Tim Allen of Coldwell Banker for \$5.99 million.

Fontaine voiced her homeowner’s lament during the 1985 interview, which took place as she finally settled

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Actress Joan Fontaine moved to the Carmel Highlands in the 1980s, taking over this midcentury modern ranch-style home that has views of Point Lobos, where parts of “Rebecca” were filmed.



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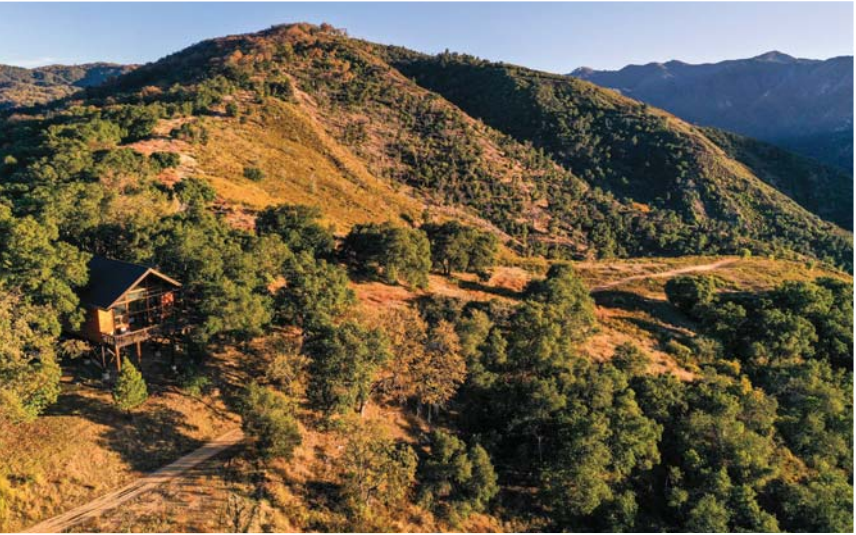
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into the spot on Lower Walden Road in the Highlands, but she wasn't really complaining. She loved Carmel and had been visiting since she was a child.

In 1939, she came here as the female lead in the Academy Award-winning Alfred Hitchcock film, "Rebecca," for which some scenes were filmed locally. Point Lobos State Reserve stood in for the cliffs of Monte Carlo and is visible from Villa Fontana.

Philanthropy

The experience must have been a happy one, because it lingered pleasantly in the Hollywood star's memory more than 40 years later. Not only could she see the park from home, but, commenting on a vantage point from Del Monte Forest, the actress told The Pine Cone, "I'm very

pleased that I can look out over the little cove from the Beach Club and see where Rebecca's beach house was."

When she moved here, she said she considered herself a "homing pigeon" and hoped Villa Fontana would be her "dove-cote," meaning her true home. She had been involved in the community for decades starting with a 1942 USO fundraiser, and she later supported charities including the Forest Theater Guild, American Heart Association, Family Service Agency, Food Bank for Monterey County and many more. Like local luminaries Doris Day and Betty White, she had a great passion for animal welfare, too.

In 1981, she told The Pine Cone, "I have a certain amount of C-L-A-S-S, dignity and a few things like that. I'm also a romantic and I don't ever want to play tacky parts such as drunks or nymphomaniacal grandmothers." Although Fontaine con-

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This view of Villa Fontana belies the modest entrance and shows the expansive decks and windows overlooking the Pacific Ocean.



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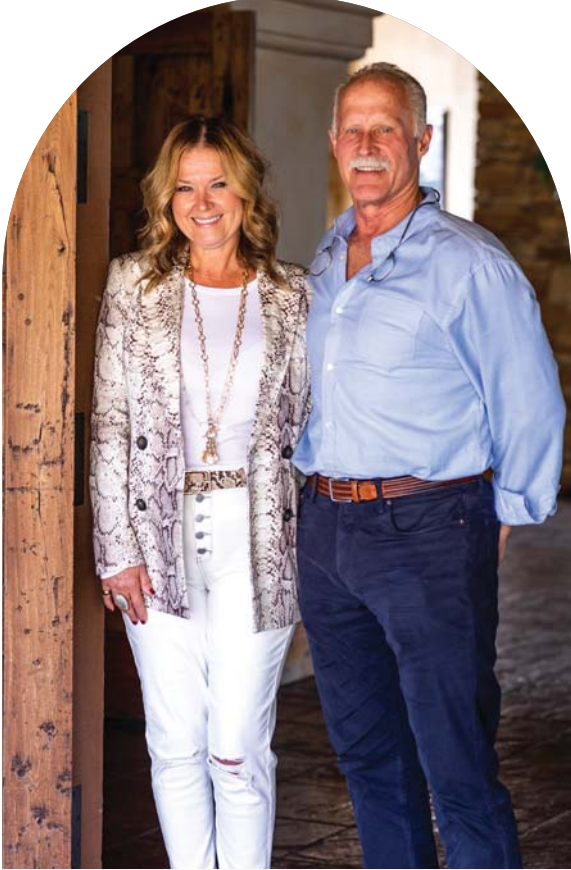
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And why wouldn't you dine al fresco? Spacious decks surround the 5,697-square-foot main home, including one area with an imposing outdoor stone fireplace. The large family pool has a hot tub at one end, too. Water comes from two wells and a storage tank on the property.

Italy in California

Back inside, you'll find five bedroom suites, each with full bathrooms, plus one half-bath. There are a few Mediterranean touches in and outside of the quintessen-

tially American structure, which owes some of its inspiration to Yosemite's Ahwahnee Hotel. Still, a fountain, carved wood details and marble make you think of Italy.

A double window with an arch became the logo for Silvestri's winery. He said that just as he would do with a musical theme, his wife wove the lines of the original arch motif throughout the property — in the concrete of the pool, built into barstools, railings and more — before it found its way onto bottles of pinot noir and chardonnay.

Silvestri, whose Italian grandparents worked in the restaurant business in New York's Little Italy and often poured homemade wines at family meals, start-

ed planning his Carmel Valley vineyards in 1998. The first plantings were in 2000 and the first harvest was in 2003. You can try current releases in the tasting room near Seventh Avenue and Dolores Street, and the new homeowners can store a significant collection in the handsome 7,000-bottle basement wine cellar.

Party up top

The second-floor primary bedroom and bathroom have ocean views plus a sitting room, two fireplaces, a private balcony and plenty of storage. Three comfortable guest suites occupy the remainder of that level, and a fifth bedroom is on the first floor near a small office.

The largest guest house, nicknamed the “studio house,” has more than 5,000 square feet of space with two bedroom suites. Those take up roughly half the first floor, while the other half is occupied by a great room, a full kitchen suitable for entertaining, and a breakfast bar. The upper level has a kitchenette and a reading nook for those who don’t want to watch a movie on the theater screen concealed in the ceiling. Built-in speakers complete the generous media/game room. Though it’s a party up top, it’s all business in the basement,

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While their property in the Highlands includes a guest house with a media room, Sandra and Alan Silvestri enjoy being outdoors on the Monterey Peninsula.



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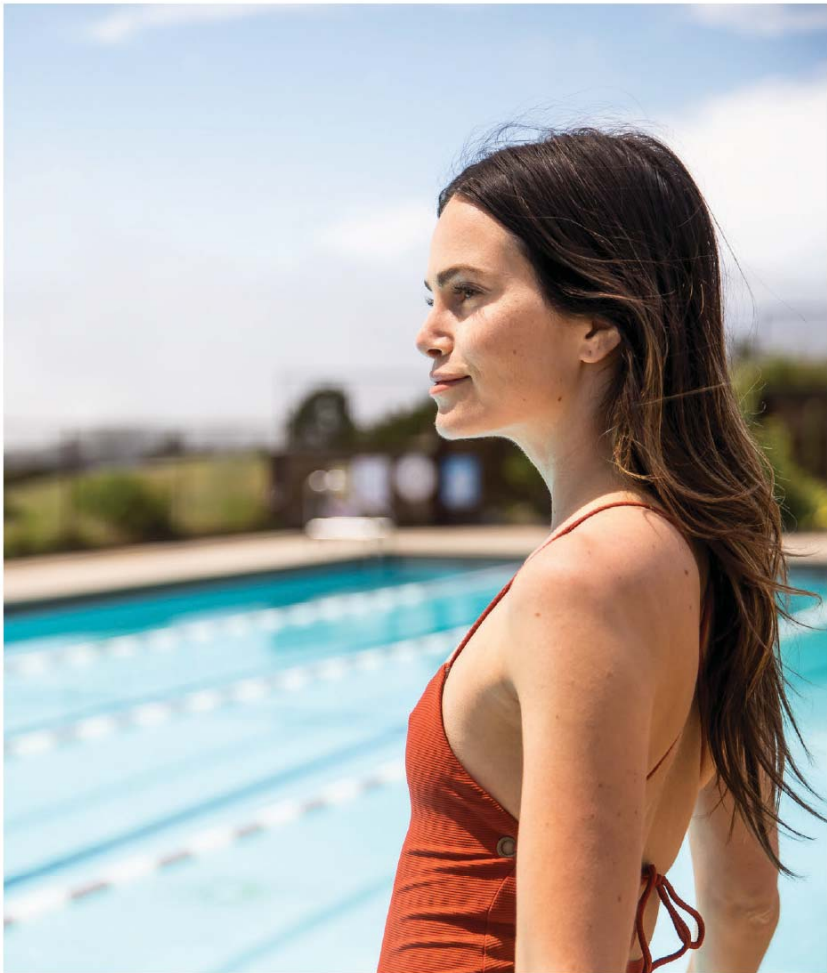
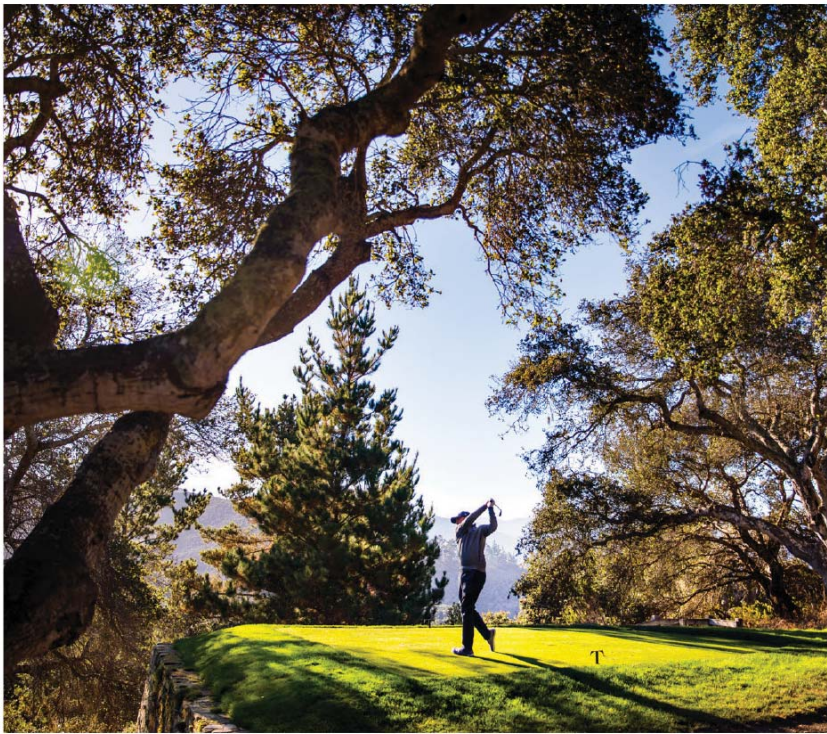
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for 14 years.

When it closed, Car & Driver magazine wrote, “Peter Mullin’s interest in Bugattis, Delahayes, Delages and other luxury and racing cars of the early 20th century drove him to collect, restore and even race these multimillion-dollar machines, and eventually, he decided to open his collection to the public.”

Best in show

He was also a founding board member and later chairman of the board of the renowned Petersen Automotive Museum in

and respectfully.

All told, there are 11 bedrooms, 11 bathrooms and two half-baths in structures spread across the property. Highlights include one guest house with folding doors that open about half of the bedroom wall to the outdoors, along with a small adjacent greenhouse. Another cottage features a bathroom with a glass-topped shower, and all of the guest quarters are elegantly decorated to harmonize with the coastal views.

The main guest house on the upper portion of the compound has a large Zen garden where abundant rosemary covers parts of the retaining wall. The home’s open floor plan has a neutral color scheme, open-beam ceilings and a powder room



The main house sits low on the Big Sur coastline, the better to enjoy dramatic views and spectacular sunsets by the fire.

PHOTO/WAYNE CAPIU

Los Angeles.

A 2023 posthumous tribute published by the iconic Pebble Beach car show summarized Peter Mullin’s performance there. “Peter first showed a car, a 1948 Talbot-Lago T26 Cabriolet, at the Pebble Beach Concours in 1984,” and continued to enter every year after. The story went on to say that the Mullins showed 65 cars, earning 35 class awards and 13 special awards, and they won Best of Show in 2011 with a 1934 Voisin C-25 Aerodyne. In 2010, he received a lifetime achievement award recognizing his contributions “to the Concours and the collector car world.”

Peter and Merle began spending more time in Big Sur and bought some adjacent parcels. And the couple, self-described “serial renovators,” went to work, carefully

with pink seashell wallpaper that fits well with an overall midcentury vibe. Here, as elsewhere, attention to detail is painstaking, extending to door handles shaped like fish.

Floating stump

That’s a nod to the landscaping, which includes several pools for koi, including an unusually large infinity pond with a Japanese tea house. Grand fine-art sculptures stud the open fields, and there are creeks and waterfalls, bridges, ponds crossed via large stepping stones and a Japanese-inspired gate with a “floating tree stump” suspended above.

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ther down the hill. The sole road there has been washed out, so the only way to get to the cliffside house is a short ride on a funicular, or cable car, the kind sometimes seen on mountainsides in tourist areas. This one, however, is only available to the homeowners and their guests.

It leads to the first house Peter bought there, which has been relatively untouched and retains a comfortably funky South Coast feeling. Not that it's not im-



PHOTO/(TOP) WAYNE CAPII, (ABOVE) P.B. CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE

Peter and Merle Mullin (above) loved old French cars, like their award-winning 1934 Voisin, and enjoyed beauty “beyond what any man could make” in Big Sur sunsets.

pressive. Thick, sturdy beams that extend from the ceiling indoors out to the deck are strung with retractable cloth awnings. The same is true indoors, where the shades diffuse sunshine that beams through a large skylight.

Sea otter refuge

Water features include another koi pond and a fountain, and there's an outdoor fire pit carved from a large rock. The grounds include decks — several cantilevered into the cliffside — and vertiginous walkways to spots that invite reflection.

A large stone fireplace in the bookshelf-lined living room is accented by a whalebone the Mullins found on the beach.

Merle recalls seeing many spouts off the shore, along with dolphins and seals, and said a sea otter refuge along rocky outcroppings brings many of the adorable creatures by to visit.

The kitchen and dining room are rustic, with a light aqua back-splash contributing to the coastal feel — but not as much as the actual coast, which looks like a mural when seen through expansive windows. Two cozy window seats flank a wood stove.

The primary suite has a wall of west-facing windows. There's a stone fireplace and a big marble soaking tub, as well as a spacious office with built-in bookshelves. The glass-topped shower, like the one in the upper-level guest cottage, has stone walls and a pebbled floor. Oh, and next door to the main house is a well-equipped Pilates studio with, naturally, an

excellent view.

For a 35-minute video tour of Bien Sur, search for “the most beautiful oceanfront home in Big Sur, CA” on YouTube. Even this vicarious visit is impressive, and narrator Gavren Dochterman describes the place as

“a private state park,” which seems apt. Said Merle, “It always filled us with wonder. We were never casual about what we witnessed there. We never took it for granted, that awesome beauty beyond what any man could make.”

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A smaller guest cottage was once a one-room schoolhouse, and it's where Silvestri said he worked on "The Mummy Returns" (2001) and wrote the score for the 2006 film, "Night at the Museum". Inside the cozy 774-square-foot wood structure, you'll find a small but well-appointed kitchen, hardwood floors, a fireplace and combination living/bedroom and full bathroom with a shower and jetted tub.

Finally, the "turret house" is a stone structure that served as Silvestri's studio and is named for its two turrets, one of which houses a spiral staircase down to a garage, while the other is occupied by a full bathroom. It offers 641 square feet of space with a kitchenette, wood-burning fireplace and skylights.

The couple said they plan to keep their home in Carmel Valley.



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Sandra Silvestri's "dream kitchen" is practical, with a large refrigerator/freezer and plenty of counter space, but it's also cozy and welcoming.

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tinued performing after moving here, she retired permanently following 1994’s made-for-TV movie, “Good King Wenceslas.”

Fontaine enjoyed entertaining guests and was a terrific cook and alum of Le Cordon Bleu in New York. Once, however, in a moment of self-deprecation, she told a reporter that her favorite recipe was “eight parts Beefeaters Gin to one of vermouth.”

The centrally located kitchen is well organized and makes excellent use of space, and there’s a lovely view of the Pacific.

In fact, there are picture windows throughout the hill-side home on the east side of Highway 1 just south of the Hyatt Highlands Inn. The breakfast nook is situated directly in front of three large windows that look out over a gentle green landscape to views of sky and sea.

Big family room

One deck runs most of the length of the house, with a second, separate outdoor area just off the library. And can we talk about that library for a second? Built-in, polished wooden bookshelves reach to the ceiling around a cozy fireplace, suggesting long afternoons in the company of familiar authors and volumes.

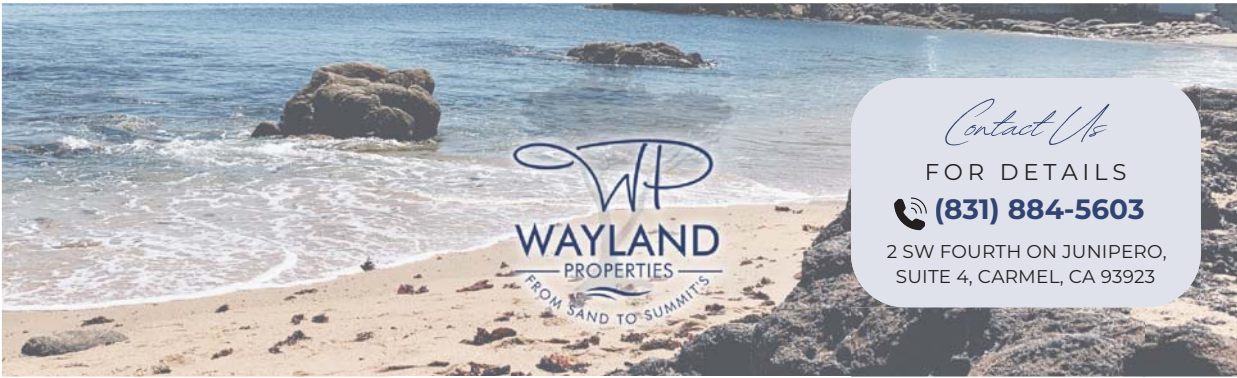
It’s separated from the rest of the house by a small walkway, as is the primary bedroom. The en suite bathroom includes a generous tub better suited to taller folk than today’s standard models — if you’ve ever anticipated a good soak only to find you have to fold yourself up like an accordion, you’ll understand. A built-in dresser runs along the wall connecting bed to bath, and there are two walk-in closets.

A guest suite is located at the opposite end of the house beyond the kitchen, formal dining room and living room, and it shares the deck with them.

The lower level has two additional bedrooms — one at each end — as well as a storage and laundry area, plus a 26-by-17-foot family room with a fireplace and built-in

shelves, closets and cabinets. A longtime benefactor of many local charities, Fontaine left much of her memorabilia to SPCA Monterey County, where she adopted three of her dogs, Samantha, Fang IV and Kita. The holdings included work by Marc

Chagall and other fine art, along with jewelry and furniture. The new owners will be able to put their own imprint on the property, even as they walk in the footprints of a Hollywood legend.



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MEADOW

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Outdoor terraces, shallow steps and ramps follow the natural landscape. As practical as they are unobtrusive, the ramps are also found indoors and provide accessibility and facilitate movement of catering carts over blue stone floors found inside and out.

Professional grade

Guthrie added that winding patterns in the natural flow of foot traffic were intended to “slow people down” to relax and enjoy the views of the trees, some of which are more than 300 years old. As you walk

through the property, you can see that the layout was made for entertaining, with generous open spaces and smaller areas for private conversations.

Large outdoor screens made of vertical wood slats are strategically placed to provide privacy and keep sunlight from “overpowering the space,” said English in a promotional video.

The most prominent features are extensive windowed walls, several of which are almost completely retractable. In one living area, floor-to-ceiling windows fold back from a corner to open two walls to the outdoors. A deep conversation pit in the center of the room may evoke a 1970s vibe, but Guthrie explained that it serves to lower the furniture so it doesn’t block

the view.

A lighted, gently sloping glass-topped wood slab around which an indoor ramp winds near the kitchen offers a dramatic spot to exhibit some art.

The sleek kitchen is clearly designed with professional chefs in mind — though it would be a veritable playground for a passionate home cook. Among other things, there are contemporary appliances, multiple sinks, capacious food storage and two cooktops. Guthrie noted that there was a loading area for caterers just outside the kitchen door, and Japanese shoji screens can be pulled out to conceal all the preparations.

Sleeping accommodations are intentionally simple and comfortable. Including the separate guest house, there are seven bedrooms and eight full bathrooms. The primary suite has two separate sleeping areas with two full bathrooms, and everything is connected by a walk-in closet.

Centered

There’s also a dedicated media room with a kitchenette, and a separate yoga/meditation room with its own private balcony. You can walk to the hub of The Preserve — a more than 100-year-old hacienda — and a nearby coffee shop

and fitness facility, including a swimming pool and hot tub.

The Meadow House’s serene setting amid sturdy trees and its openness to nature transform even a brief visit into a grounding, centering experience. Inspiration is everywhere, if you only stop and take a breath.



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The multi-level home features striking architectural elements to help define space (top). The professional kitchen can be separated from the dining area by retractable shoji screens.

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GERVASE

From page 12 IYD

say “longer than yesterday,” because a few hundred thousand years ago, there was no way to measure time, so you don’t know early from late or today from yesterday. Anyway, you turn to your cave-mate and say, “Hey Gronk. Do you notice the days are longer?” And Gronk says, “What are days?”

Celebrities who tell me how to vote or to use a product: Most don’t know enough to come in out of the rain without stage directions. The absurdity of celebrity endorsements is a phenomenon that persists despite its obvious flaws — primarily, that fame does not equal expertise. Celebrity endorsements should be recognized for what they are, flashy distractions to separate consumers from their money. It’s one thing for a celebrity to push sneakers or skincare, and it’s another when they start telling people how to vote. Democracy suffers when critical thinking is replaced by star power. I’ve never used a product because a celebrity promoted it, but if Sophia Loren endorsed a brand of fertilizer, I’d be up to my neck in manure.

Restaurants: I love going out to eat. For a price, a nice person brings me food without my having to shop, cook and clean up. As a frequent diner-outer, I’ve acquired several curmudgeonly dislikes that often keep me from returning to an establishment. First of all, I’ll put the napkin in my own lap, thank you very much. Also, a piece of advice on busing the table: If a man and woman are dining, don’t clear his plate while she is still eating. It’s a breach of etiquette. I know it seems crazy, but it subtly indicates that the man’s appetite is satisfied while the woman is stuffing herself like she’s awaiting a reprieve from the governor.

There. That wasn’t so bad, was it? But don’t get me started on power outages and supermarket carts that don’t roll. Sheesh!

Contact Jerry at jerrygervase@yahoo.com.

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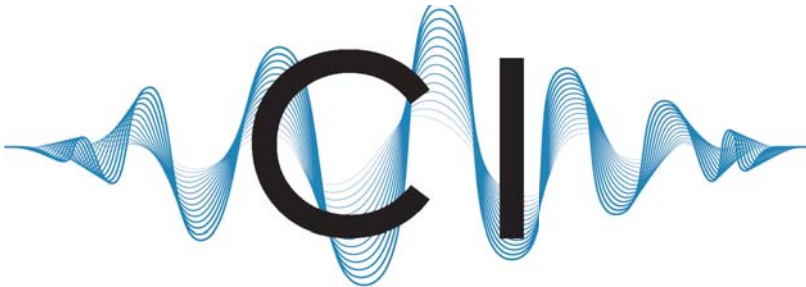
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SHERIFF

From page 4 IYD

Ocean View Boulevard and Lighthouse.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle collision on Pine.

Pacific Grove: Subject placed on a mental health evaluation hold for being a danger to self.

Pacific Grove: Personal belongings stolen from a vehicle on Alder Street. No suspect information.

Pacific Grove: Report of a trespasser on property on Patterson Lane.

Pacific Grove: Theft from a vehicle on Junipero with no suspect information.

Carmel area: Theft from a 33-year-old female victim at the Crossroads shopping center.

Carmel area: A 55-year-old female on Carmel Rancho Lane claimed a store manager threw a paper receipt at her, and she demanded prosecution.

SUNDAY, MARCH 2

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 37-year-old male from Monterey was arrested at Ocean and Scenic at 0011 hours for public intoxication and transported to Monterey County Jail.

Pacific Grove: Theft of a digital doorbell camera at a residence on Mermaid Avenue.

Carmel Valley: Deputies respond to a call of a subject prowling at a property on West Carmel Valley Road.

Carmel Valley: Battery on East Carmel Valley Road between a current girlfriend and soon-to-be ex-wife.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to

a report of stolen property at the Barnyard shopping center. Subject(s) still at large.

Carmel area: Report of grand theft on Eastfield Court involving a 95-year-old female victim.

Big Sur: Deputies were dispatched to a report of a vandalism on Highway 1. A white male adult was contacted and arrested for felony vandalism and trespassing.

Carmel area: Welfare check on Rio Road, and it was documented

MONDAY, MARCH 3

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A vehicle was reported stolen outside of the Carmel city limits. A "be on the lookout" was broadcasted to surrounding agencies. While on patrol, an officer located the stolen vehicle parked at Dolores and Fifth. The vehicle was unoc-

cupied. The registered owner was contacted and later picked up the vehicle. Perpetrator(s) remain at large.

Pacific Grove: Animal bite on Sinex Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Unattended death on Asilomar Avenue. No signs of foul play. Information only.


Pacific Grove: The registered owner of a vehicle on David Avenue reported it stolen. The vehicle was determined to have been towed from private property.

Carmel area: A vehicle at the Crossroads was vandalized by an unknown subject.

TUESDAY, MARCH 4

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Elderly person on Monte Verde south of Ninth passed away at 0310 hours.

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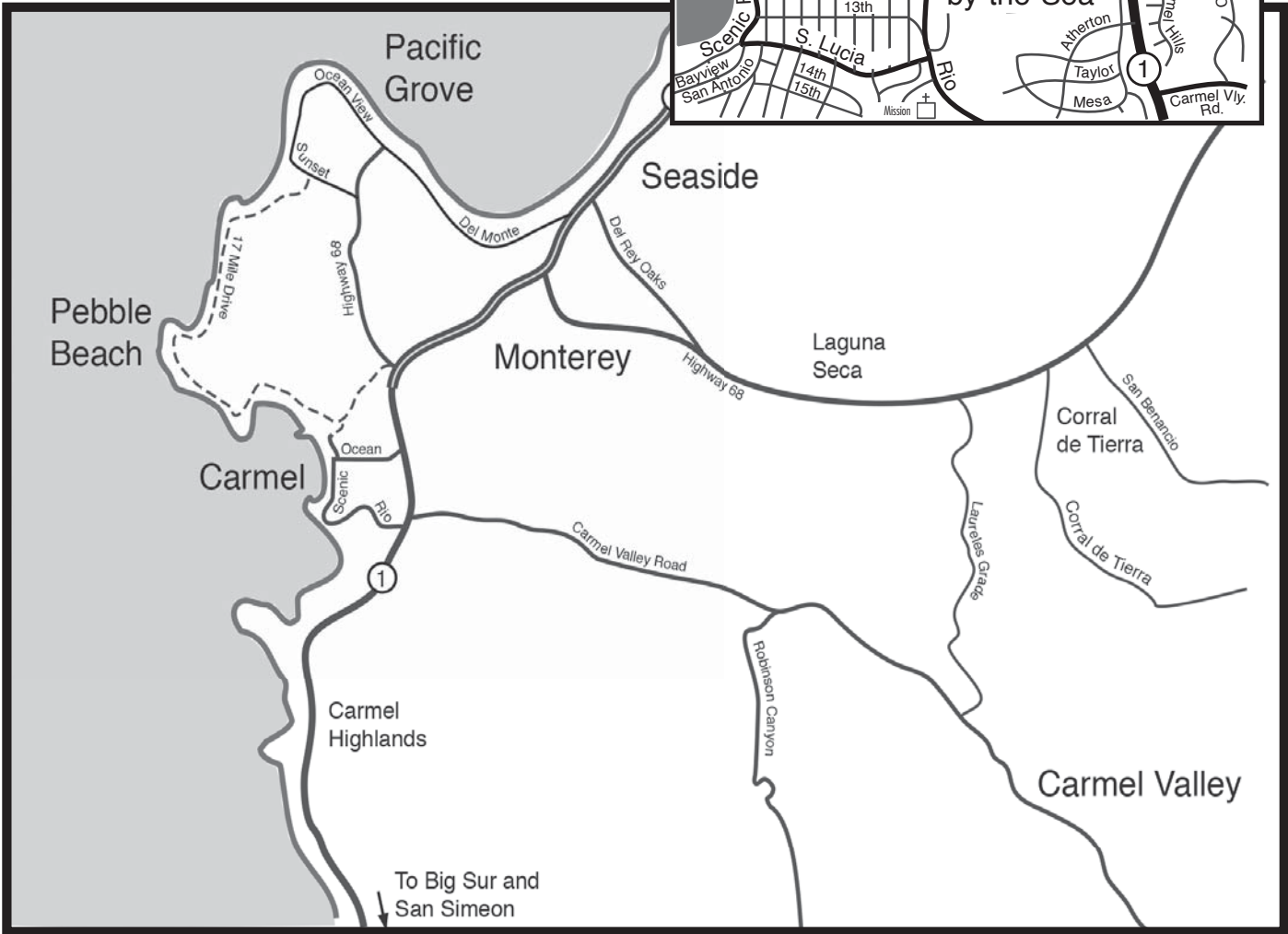
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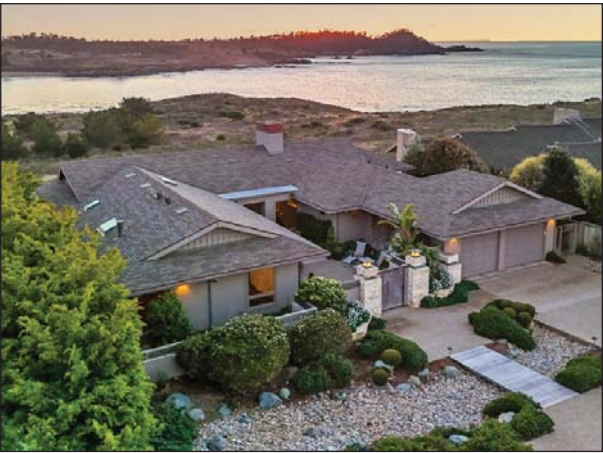
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