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Remote-controlled bulldozers at Big Sur slide

■ When the ground won't hold still, send in the machines

By CHRIS COUNTS

KEEPING ONE of the world's most scenic highways closed between Carmel and Cambria, the Regent's Slide has blocked Highway 1 since February 2024, frustrating crews with dangerous and unstable conditions. But this week, Caltrans announced it has started using a pair of remote-controlled bulldozers to accelerate repairs — and keep workers out of harm's way in case a new slide occurs.

"Bulldozer and excavator operators have been trained to use this remote-controlled equipment that can perform under certain adverse site conditions and at locations that may otherwise not be safe for crews to operate," Kevin Drabinski of Caltrans reported. "The introduction of this equipment will allow Caltrans to take more risks than would be advisable with crewed dozers and excavators."

A foot each day

Located about 5.5 miles south of Esalen Institute, the Regent's Slide continues to move downhill at about a foot each day, which has slowed the state road agency's work. "Caltrans continues to perform daily geologic assessments to determine if it is safe to conduct repairs," Drabinski said.

Since new cracks emerged in August 2024, crews have been forced to work above the slide, making access to some areas difficult. The remote-controlled bulldozers

Caltrans "worked closely" with Caterpillar Inc. and

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Due to safety concerns at Regent's Slide, Caltrans is now using re-

'Poster girl' finally gets her metal roof

By MARY SCHLEY

JUST AS it did for Missy and JD Jensen last month, the Carmel City Council unanimously voted April 1 to overturn a planning commission decision denying a homeowner the right to install a metal roof.

Brandi Faia learned more than a year ago that her insurance company would no longer cover her ranch-style house at Torres and Second because it's in a high-fire-hazard zone and has a badly deteriorating wood roof. So, she applied to replace it with a metal one, as recommended by her insurance agent, with vertical panels connected with raised seams.

But that solution was a nonstarter with the commission, which first told her last October to find a horizontally paneled metal roof and then, after she was unable to, told her to install metal shingles or some other product instead.

Find an alternative

In January, Faia filed paperwork asking the city council to overturn that decision, just as the Jensens — who own a contemporary home on Santa Lucia — did after the commission told them they could not have a metal roof, either, and needed to find an acceptable alternative. Last month,

Six-story home in C.V. turned down again

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE ATTORNEY for a couple who want to build a six-story home in Carmel Valley told the Monterey County Board of Supervisors Tuesday that it must approve the plan because it offers affordable housing or face litigation due to lack of compliance with state housing laws. But supervisors stood their ground, voting unanimously to send the would-be builders back to the Monterey County Planning Commission.

Amy McDougall and Rene Peinado want to build a sixstory single-family dwelling at 10196 Oakwood Circle in the Oakshire subdivision near Carmel Valley Ranch. Plans also call for an attached garage, an attached accessory

the council sided with them and granted their request.

The planning commission has been inconsistent in its rulings on metal roofs. At the January meeting, for instance, it fielded three similar applications.

It approved one — for a home similar to Faia's and located on the same street — but denied the other two, including the Jensens'.

'Doing something wrong'

Citing a residential design guideline that states, "Metal, plastic and glass roofs are inappropriate in all neighborhoods," associate planner Jake Olander recommended the council deny Faia's appeal and uphold the planning commission's decision. He also mentioned a municipal code section encouraging "the use of natural materials," among several objectives. As a rule, staff recommends the council support a lower commission or board's action.

Faia said she has "unwillingly become the poster girl for the metal-roof movement," due to news coverage of her plight. She also quoted Mayor Dale Byrne telling her that "if it ends up on the front page of The Pine Cone,

overlong meetings Perhaps by having more meetings By MARY SCHLEY

Council tackles

THE CARMEL City Council spent nearly two hours March 31 talking about ways to make its meetings more effective and efficient.

"I'm sad this went so long, but also really happy it went this long because of all the feedback," Mayor Dale Byrne said toward the end of the discussion. Byrne had asked city attorney Brian Pierik and the council to review a policy on "city council meetings, orders of council, agenda packets, minutes of meetings and agenda distribution" that hadn't been updated since 2020.

We seem to be having a lot of long meetings," Byrne said. "We're going to try to figure out if there are some things we can do to make the meetings more effective,

Curtail public

Adopt curfews?

Don't talk so

comment?

much?

because we're here to make decisions." Making the meetings shorter is another

"One way to do that is to have a lot more meetings, but it's just a lot of work to do that," Byrne said.

Indeed, since Byrne and new councilmembers Hans Buder and Bob Delves took office, the council has

held more meetings than the typical two per month, with nine sessions, some of them going on for several hours, between Feb. 3 and March 31.

Meetings could be shortened by eliminating staff presentations if the council opts not to hear them, Pierik and Byrne suggested. For instance, the mayor could read the agenda item aloud and then ask councilmembers if they want to hear the presentation or base their discussion on the staff report they presumably read beforehand. If the answer is "yes," then a brief oral report would be given, followed by council questions for staff, public comment in chambers and online, then council discussion, and action,

'Disrespectful'

"If we've all read them and all the people here have read them, we could skip the staff presentation either completely, or the staff would come prepared to do a five-minute version," Byrne explained.

That suggestion received a lukewarm reception.

If an employee is asked to prepare a presentation, the

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Rebuild for shoreline path between P.G. and P.B.

See ROOF page 18A

By KELLY NIX

THE MEANDERING and well-used oceanfront boardwalk between Pacific Grove and Pebble Beach is getting a complete redo about two years after winter storms wiped most of it out.

The Pebble Beach Company is replacing a 3,900-footlong wooden pathway which has long allowed people to walk from Moss Beach at Spanish Bay to Asilomar State

"The boardwalk was washed out by the storms in January 2023," company CEO David Stivers told The Pine Cone about the pathway, which is accessible to the public. "We needed California Coastal Commission approval to rebuild it."

The coastal panel OK'd the walkway in December 2024 as part of the Pebble Beach Company's complete redesign of The Links at Spanish Bay. Construction will

See PATH page 21A



The wooden esplanade that goes from Pebble Beach to Pacific Grove is being completely redone and relocated inland, a project that is set to take about three months.

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Sandy Claws

Big baby

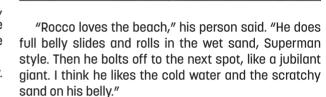
They already had a Chihuahua mix named Dozer because, even at 7, she's still a bit of a bulldozer. Although completely confident around the two boys in her family, she was not prepared for the introduction of Rocco into

Rocco is only a year old, a baby who was adopted when he was just 4 months. Dog groomers by trade, his people have met a lot of canines, including Rocco, a bullmastiff whose previous people revealed they needed to rehome him.

"We have loved Rocco all along, but we'd never considered getting a bullmastiff," said one member of his family, who live in a two-bedroom European flat north of Ocean Avenue that now houses two adults, two children and two dogs. "All we're missing is two turtledoves. We might have said, 'What are we doing?' except we knew it was happening, without question."

Turns out bullmastiffs are a breed that adapts well to small spaces, she said, because, once fully mature, they don't need as much exercise and are comfortable curling up. Still, Rocco does take up a lot of space in the room due to size and personality.

His person gets him up and out for a walk every day.



Once he tires of that game, Rocco jumps up to find people he can greet with his sloppy wet self.

"A lot of people get scared," his person said, "but he just wants to say hi. He has to be the most well-behaved dog on the beach, so people know he's a good dog. He deserves that, and so do they."



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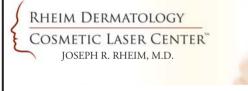
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City payroll just shy of \$13M in 2024

Nearly \$750K in

overtime, \$1.5M

in retirement

contributions

By MARY SCHLEY

CARMEL TAXPAYERS shelled out \$12,875,412 in salaries, benefits, retirement contributions and other pay for the city's employees in 2024 — \$1.27 million more than in 2023 — according to records provided last week by the finance department. The total included \$7,485,312 in

base pay, \$744,413 in overtime and \$1,522,959 in contributions to the California Public Employees Retirement System, among other expenses.

The 1-square-mile city and its roughly 3,100 residents, along with the crowds of visitors who come here each year, are served by dozens of employees across five main departments. The budget run-

ning from June 30, 2024, to July 1 anticipates \$43,492,044 in spending, including \$16,016,392 in salaries and benefits.

City admin on top

No. 1 on the earnings list in calendar year 2024, as is typically the case, was city administrator Chip Rerig, who occupies the top spot in the city's org chart and serves at the pleasure of the city council. Rerig's total compensation came in at \$382,881, including \$224,046 in base salary. The \$29,000 he received in deferred compensation, \$58,509 in retirement plan contributions and \$36,935 in healthcare benefits were also the highest in those categories.

Police Chief Paul Tomasi came in second, with \$223,069 in base pay, \$24,167 in deferred compensation, \$55,902 in retirement contributions, \$27,191 in benefits, and vacation, sick and "other pay," for a total of \$349,291. "Other pay" can include "education incentives, detective pay, bilingual pays, uniform allowance, temporary out-of-class pay and insurance opt-out pay," according to city clerk Nova Romero.

Assistant city administrator Brandon Swanson, who spent most of the year doubling as planning director after he was promoted but his former job went unfilled, was fourth, with base pay of \$213,860, retirement contributions of \$43,884, medical benefits totaling \$36,842, and other compensation, for a total of \$309,775.

And public works director Bob Harary,

who retired at the end of the year, was ninth, with total comp of \$266,534 that included \$174,296 in base salary, \$28,816 in retirement contributions and \$37,417 in other pay.

Law enforcement and public safety employees usually occupy a good chunk of the Top 20 earners, and 2024 was

no exception, with nine officers and four paramedics in those ranks. Many of them collected tens of thousands of dollars in overtime, including Sgt. Mike Bruno, who followed Tomasi on the list of top earners, with base pay of \$150,607 and OT of \$67,812 contributing to his total compensation of \$316,144.

King of OT

But paramedic Myles Routh retained his spot as the top overtime earner, taking home an unprecedented \$95,406 in OT that significantly contributed to his total comp of \$274,079 and that put him at No. 8 overall. Last year, when he also was the eighth highest-paid employee, Routh collected \$75,442 in OT, and in 2022, his overtime pay totaled \$61,572.

Another paramedic, Jonathan Moulton, received more vacation pay than any other city employee — \$23,725 — with paramedic Isaac Eckel slightly behind him at \$22,953. The next highest came in more than \$5,000 lower.

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Police & Sheriff's Log

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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.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 28

Carmel area: Subject at the Crossroads shopping center stated he wanted to commit suicide by cop. He was subsequently talked down and was placed on a mental health hold.

Carmel area: Deputies responded to an assault on Oliver Road. One suspect resisted arrest, and another obstructed deputies while conducting their duties. A 28-year-old female and a 29-year-old male were arrested.

SATURDAY, MARCH 29

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Intoxicated person was contacted on San Carlos Street at 0129 hours.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vandalism of a vehicle on residential property on San Carlos

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Verbal altercation on San Carlos Street turned into a battery. No prosecution.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lost dog reported

Carmel area: Person causing a disturbance at a retail store at the Crossroads was contacted and advised of a no-trespassing order on behalf of the store.

Carmel Valley: An elderly female at Hacienda Carmel was place on a 72-hour mental health evaluation.

SUNDAY, MARCH 30

Carmel-by-the-Sea: City tree branch vs. privately owned vehicle on San Carlos.

> See POLICE LOG page 4RE in the Real Estate Section



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The gavel falls

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

March 4 — Jose Anguiano, 45, of Greenfield, was sentenced to three years and four months in the California Department of Corrections. Hon. Andrew G. Liu sentenced Anguiano for two years and eight months for assault by means of force likely to cause great bodily injury, and vandalism. Liu also sentenced Anguiano to an additional eight months in prison for violating his probation on a prior vandalism case.

On Dec. 3, 2024, at approximately 8 p.m., deputies responded to a report of vandalism at an apartment complex. The reporting party explained that her ex-boyfriend, Anguiano, broke her car windows. Two other vehicles were found damaged as well. A witness stated that she saw Anguiano break the vehicles' windows with a rock. For this conduct. Anguiano was convicted of vandalism and

placed on probation.

On Dec. 7, 2024, at approximately 1:15 p.m., a CHP officer was on patrol on US 101 near Espinoza Road when he saw a white pickup truck parked along the shoulder. The officer spotted a male walking across median to the other side of the highway. The officer noticed that the rear window, left passenger window, front windshield and rear taillight were broken and shattered.

The truck owner informed officers that a male had walked toward his truck and began to throw rocks at it while he and his son were inside the truck. The owner explained that when he exited the truck to confront the male, the male left and walked across the highway. Anguiano was found in a field near-

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Teens caught with stolen car, gun

By MARY SCHLEY

The Carmel Pine Cone

A 14-YEAR-OLD Monterey boy took his mother's car on a joyride, and one of his four passengers, also 14, was caught with an illegal handgun after he tried to run from police during a traffic stop Tuesday afternoon, according to Carmel Police Sgt. Gerald Maldonado.

When Sgt. Mike Bruno saw a silver Honda Accord with a cracked windshield run a stop sign at Santa Lucia and Monte Verde around 2:30 p.m. April 15, he might have thought he was conducting a routine traffic stop to give the errant driver a ticket. But what he found were five boys between the ages of 14 and 16, two from Monterey and three from Seaside, and "several open containers of alcohol," Maldonado said.

Bruno "began ordering the occupants out of the vehicle one by one," and after getting out of the car, one of the 14-year-olds stuck his hands in his pockets. But when Bruno ordered the boy to take them out, he refused, according to Maldonado.

Fearing the teen was going for a weapon, Bruno grabbed his arms, but the boy broke free and ran. Bruno and another officer, Sgt. Jacob Clifford, gave chase and

managed to catch up to the teen. After tackling and handcuffing him, they searched him and found a handgun tucked into the waistband of his pants.

"The handgun was a Smith & Wesson pistol with its serial number deliberately obliterated," Maldonado said. "Sgt. Bruno and Sgt. Clifford showed immense bravery and attention to detail while apprehending the male. The community is a lot safer with one fewer gun in the wrong hands."

Charges sought

Police initially took the boy to Monterey County Juvenile Hall, but the agency refused to take him, according to Maldonado, so he was subsequently released to his parents. "Typically, juvenile hall will only take suspects involved in a violent crimes," he explained. "Otherwise they're big on releasing them to family, forwarding charges, or a cite and release."

Meanwhile, the parents of the four other teens were called to the scene to pick them up. "The driver took his mother's vehicle without her consent, and she was not too happy with him," Maldonado added.

Carmel P.D. is seeking charges against all five kids, whose names were withheld.

Make a senior happy with a card

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE ALLIANCE on Aging in Salinas is looking for help with its "Remembering Mom & Dad" card drive, calling on the community to create handmade Mother's and Father's Day cards for adults — many of whom lack family connections — in Monterey County skilled nursing and assisted living facilities.

The initiative, which evolved from the group's "I Remember Mama" tradition, aims to ensure that all senior parents feel valued and remembered. According to

Nicki Pasculli, the nonprofit's development director, the cards are reminders that they are honored and loved.

Individuals, families, classrooms, businesses and community groups are encouraged to participate by creating heartfelt cards with positive messages. No envelopes are needed. The greetings should be glitter-free and dropped off or sent to Alliance on Aging at 247 Main St., Salinas, Calif., 93901. The deadline for Mother's Day cards is May 1, and for Father's Day, June 3. For details, contact Pasculli at (831) 655-7564.







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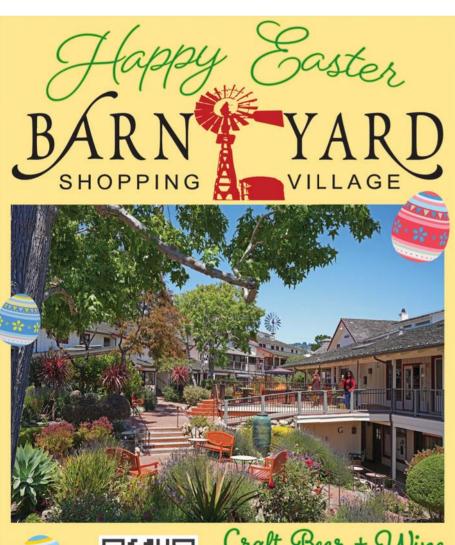
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Supes split on state battery bills

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By KELLY NIX

COUNTY SUPERVISORS this week lent their support to a state bill intended to make large-scale battery storage systems safer, but they put off taking a position on other legislation that would require new facilities to be located away from homes, schools and other areas.

The Monterey County Board of Supervisors was tasked Tuesday with taking positions on two proposed bills, including

Sen. John Laird's SB 283, which in part strengthens statewide safety standards by requiring local fire agen- Backing one cies to inspect battery plants before they go online. The legislation is in response to **skeptical** a Jan. 16 fire at the Vistra Energy Moss Landing battery storage facility which forced the evacuation of nearby residents, some of

whom said they suffered adverse health effects from the smoke.

Laird's bill also seeks to compel energy-company developers to "engage and confer" with local fire authorities prior to applying for a battery plant to address

design, assess potential risks and integrate emergency response plans.

"SB 283 ensures that future battery energy storage systems facilities adhere to the highest fire safety standards, protecting first responders, local communities and the integrity of our renewable energy transition," Laird said in late March.

Too restrictive?

However, there were hitches in trying to get consensus on Assemblywoman Dawn

Addis' bill — the Battery Energy Safety and Accountability Act — which would require storage facilities of more than 200 megawatts to be set back 3,200 feet from "sensitive areas," such as schools, homes, hospitals, prime agricultural land and environmentally sensitive habitat.

Several supervisors suggested that the proposal could be too restrictive and impede California's longterm goal of moving from fossil fuels to solar and wind.

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Volunteers aid helicopter rescues

By CHRIS COUNTS

HIGHLIGHTING THE need for helicopter rescues in Big Sur's dense and steep terrain — where people from near and far find ways to need emergency help - volunteers with the Ventana Wilderness Alliance are now being trained to assist with those efforts.

The California Highway Patrol, which flies the helicopters used in most local rescues, will train nearly two dozen volunteers at Salinas Airport later this month.

About half the participants are unpaid wilderness rangers from the Ventana Wilderness Alliance, while another five come from a similar program that operates at Pinnacles National Park near Soledad. Two of the participants are fire lookouts at Chews Ridge, and other volunteers come from search and rescue groups.

The training is free for all of them.

For more than a decade, the alliance's

wilderness rangers have offered assistance and guidance to hikers and backpackers, and have removed a huge amount of trash left behind by others.

They also occasionally assist with rescues.

Training essential

"Every now and then, our volunteers have helped with rescues," VWA wilderness ranger Steve Benoit told The Pine

"But helicopter operations are highrisk, and we want our volunteers to be prepared to work safely around them."

The use of helicopters to rescue people has become common in Big Sur. The most recent incident happened April 14 when a pilot retrieved an injured hiker who fell 200 feet along the Pine Ridge Trail.

They seem to happen all the time now," observed Benoit, who has done the training

FOUNDATION CELEBRATES 75 YEARS

By MARY SCHLEY

FOR THREE-QUARTERS of a century, the Carmel Foundation has been serving members age 55 and older, growing over the years to provide low-cost housing throughout the city, affordable meals, medical equipment loans, and dozens of classes, activities and social events, along with a library. The organization that began as an idea shared by a small group of residents gathering at a home in the 1940s, and which opened its doors in 1950, is celebrating its 75-year milestone with an open house April 21.

Led by Mrs. Sidney A. Trevvett — for whom Trevvett Court on Dolores Street is named — and Dr. Remsen Bird, the group "set out to create a place where older

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adults could feel secure, connected and supported," according to the organization.

Today, it provides more than 60 weekly programs, 49 units of affordable housing across three complexes, and tens of thousands of nutritious meals served on its campus at Lincoln and Eighth and delivered to those in need each year.

Wellness center

And it continues to grow. Most recently, the foundation purchased the former Red Cross building at Dolores and Eighth last November for \$3.2 million and announced last week that it plans to convert the building into a wellness center for its members.

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Big Squeezy gets thumbs-up for Lincoln Street spot

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Carmel-centric,

By MARY SCHLEY

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m A}$ JUICE and smoothie shop that Carmel Planning Commissioners worried last December was a chain restaurant received the go-ahead this month to open in a space formerly occupied by an art gallery.

Associate planner Jake Olander told commissioners The Big Squeezy locations owner Ash Shoukry opened in Louisiana years ago were sold and have no

connection to the business here. And Shoukry's only other Big Squeezy location, which is in the Crossroads shopping center, might close after the downtown location is up and running.

Formerly occupied by the Kevin Milligan Gallery and owned by Patrice Pastor's Esperanza Carmel Commercial LLC, the

725-square-foot space would be retrofitted to accommodate the juice shop, with storage and sanitation in the back, and food prep, storage, ordering and serving in the front. According to the municipal code, a "specialty restaurant," such as a coffee shop, bakery or juicery, must be at least 400 square feet and have a minimum of 14

Olander noted that, like other businesses with more than one location — such as Alvarado Street Brewery, Olivier Napa Valley and Perfectly Pressed, a juice shop that got the commission's approval several months ago to open in Carmel Plaza The Big Squeezy will have an only-in-Carmel addition to its name. Here, it will be known as The Big Squeezy by the Sea.

The decor will be muted and more "coastal California style," compared with the bright colors and modern accents used at the Crossroads and in the Louisiana shops, according to Olander, and the coldpressed juices, smoothies, bowls and other menu items will have Carmel-inspired

Water and toilets

He did identify two obstacles: The bathrooms that are required under the code, and which are already located at the back of the building, are not yet ADA accessible, and the retail space will need a permit from the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District to be converted into a restaurant.

He suggested seats from the former Cottage restaurant — which closed after it caught fire on Easter Sunday in 2023 and was located in the same complex — could be transferred to the smoothie shop to meet the water needs. (The water district bases demand for restaurants on the number of seats they contain.)

Olander recommended the planning commission approve The Big Squeezy's permit, potentially with conditions added

to ensure the ADA and water issues are resolved first.

Unlike the December 2024 hearing, when a representative of Shoukry's appeared before the commission and was unable to address several of the concerns commissioners had about The Big Squeezy being a chain restaurant and not fitting in with the more

understated character of downtown Carmel, Shoukry attended the April 9 meeting.

"I'm glad you're taking a look at putting a Big Squeezy in in Carmel," he said, adding that he's been farming in the Salinas Valley for 30 years and is a big proponent of healthy eating and fresh ingredients.

"I think this is one of the best options out there," for healthful food choices, he said. "Nothing is frozen. Everything's fresh."

Nobody else commented on the application.

'That's doable'

Commissioner Stephanie Locke focused on the need for accessible restrooms, especially since the city's public facilities are relatively few and far between and are often crowded, and Olander told her the city could require that prior to issuance of the building permit, "ADA access to the bathroom has to be created, somehow."

"I think that's doable," he said.

"I think this is actually a business that Carmel will benefit from," Locke contin-ued, noting that city staff will probably frequent it, since interblock walkways connect city hall and the Lincoln Street complex, making it very convenient.

'I support this project in part because of the revisions that were made since it was heard in December," she said. "I was

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Marina handcar biz gets favorable court ruling

By KELLY NIX

A FEDERAL judge has granted two victories to the owners of a Marina railcar business who filed a lawsuit against a Monterey County agency for terminating its lease. One ruling serves as a warning to public officials who are compelled to express their personal opinions on social media and in other public forums.

The Museum of Handcar Technology, which operates out of Marina as Handcar Tours, offers customers handcar tours on railroad tracks adjacent to the ocean and Highway 1. In late September 2024, the business was informed by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County and the City of Marina, which had been leasing the tracks to the family-owned venture, that they would not be renewing the contract. The decision was made in an August 2024 closed-door TAMC board meeting.

Handcar Tours' owners, Todd and Mason Clark, filed a lawsuit claiming their lease was terminated because of their opposition to the transportation agency's proposed \$92 million two-lane bus SURF Project, which would require the removal of a portion of the train tracks — and put an end to their business.

'Constitutional rights violated'

The Clarks alleged that the transportation agency unlawfully retaliated against them after they exercised their First Amendment rights to publicly oppose the SURF proposal. In a decision released Monday, Eumi K. Lee, a judge with the U.S. District Court Northern District of California, suggested the Clarks' arguments were strong and she granted an injunction preventing the agency from evicting the Handcar Business from the Monterey Branch Line. The judge also rejected a request by the agency to dismiss the lawsuit, which is still active.

"Based on the current record, the court finds that the museum has demonstrated a likelihood of success on its First Amendment retaliation claim against the TAMC, that it is likely to suffer irreparable harm absent preliminary relief, and that the balance of the hardships and the public interest favor a preliminary injunction," Lee wrote in a 20-page decision, granting Handcar Tours a preliminary injunction against TAMC.

The judge found that the handcar business operators had engaged in constitutionally protected activity when they spoke out against the transportation agency's bus project and that they "had also produced significant evidence to support the third element of its retaliation claim — that its opposition to the project was a substantial or motivating factor in the decision not to renew the lease.

To support her finding, the judge — who noted the handcar business' opposition to the bus project "did not earn it any favor with the TAMC" — quoted its executive

director Todd Muck during a June 2024 hearing.

"I've seen that the handcar folks have actively opposed and tried to delay the public benefit project," Muck said. "So, my recommendation to the TAMC board would be to not extend their contract."

Lee also cited statements by transportation agency board member Bruce Delgado, Marina's mayor, and

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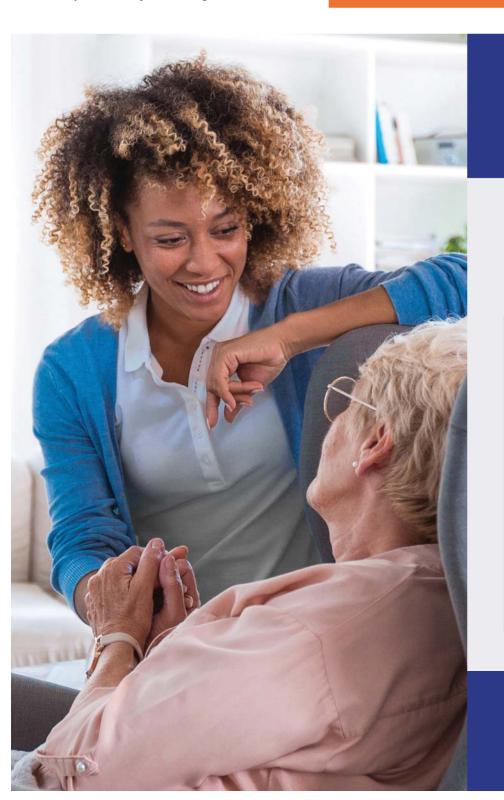
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Monterey to limit sidewalk vending

Implementing

rules to

prevent a

free-for-all

By MARY SCHLEY

WITH STREET vendors crowding the area near Custom House Plaza and Fisherman's Wharf with tables of jewelry, T-shirts and other wares targeting tourists — especially during weekends - the Monterey City Council on Tuesday updated its ordinance to better control and confine them.

Conducting business on public property was generally banned in Monterey until a state law signed in September 2018 prohibited local jurisdictions from regulating sidewalk vendors, though they

could impose certain restrictions based on threats to the public's health, safety and welfare. Like other cities, including Carmel which restricted sidewalk vending to 13 permits and has seen little to no use of them — Monterey passed a local ordinance on sidewalk vending, though its rules are much more lenient.

"In general, you can sell goods anywhere on any sidewalk in Monterey," city manager Hans Uslar said, as long as there's space for pedestrians to pass. The law contains a few off-limits areas, however, including Lighthouse Avenue, Cannery Row in certain locations, the recreation trail and in front of the Monterey Fairgrounds at specific times.

'Dynamic public space'

Planning manager Levi Hill noted that the state law, SB 946, was important in providing "entrepreneurship and economic development opportunities to low-income and immigrant communities," and contributing to "a dynamic public space" while increasing access "to desired goods and culturally significant food and merchandise."

"What was unplanned for was vendors

wanting to locate in a particular part of our city between the state property and the head of Wharf 1," he said. They tend to crowd that area because, while the law requires cities to accommodate street vendors, it does not apply to state-owned land. Therefore, no sellers can set up in spacious Custom House Plaza or on the surrounding area that's part of the state historic park.

Two camps

"Our jurisdiction is limited there," Hill said. "You get onto state property where the state exempted themselves from the state law we're subject to."

The issue was raised during several city council meetings last fall, with speakers landing in two distinct camps, Hill said in his report for the April 13 meeting. Supporters extolled the "significant economic opportunities, particularly for low-income individuals and immigrants, and the contribution to a lively commu-

nity atmosphere and increased availability of diverse goods and services," while others voiced "significant concerns" about negative impacts like the "obstruction of pedestrian flow and visibility, especially on the recreational trail, where it was noted that vending could obstruct oceanfront views and coastal access." Also of concern were "distracting signage, how to address repeat offenders, complaints about aesthetics, and the potential for unfair competition with established businesses."

And at an April 9 town hall meeting, many vendors — the city issues an average of 33 permits annually, and the busy area near Custom House Plaza has around 20 to 30 booths set up there on weekends told city officials they "self-police" to keep the area orderly, but they want the city to

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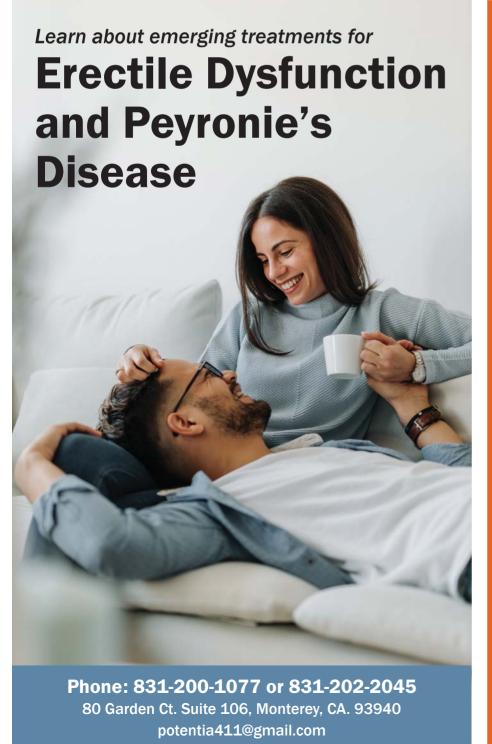
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Downtown P.G. cinema up for grabs

By KELLY NIX

Pacific grove's only movie theater is for sale and its owners would like to see the new buyer keep the business alive by continuing to show films on its big screens, although the property has for years been eved by city officials and developers for conversion to other uses.

The 13,471-square-foot Lighthouse Cinema at 525 Lighthouse Ave. — which brothers John and Sal Enea opened in 1987 — is being offered for \$3.5 million. It



The 38-year-old Lighthouse Cinema in Pacific Grove is for sale for \$3.5 million, and the owners are hopeful that the new buyer keeps

occupies four legal parcels totaling about 11,750 square feet of land, according to Monterey County records.

"For over 35 years, the property has been operated as a theater, the Lighthouse Cinema," according to the listing by Monterey commercial real estate firm Mahoney & Associates. "The property consists of four screening theaters, a three-bedroom, one-bath apartment, and a restroom/concession area."

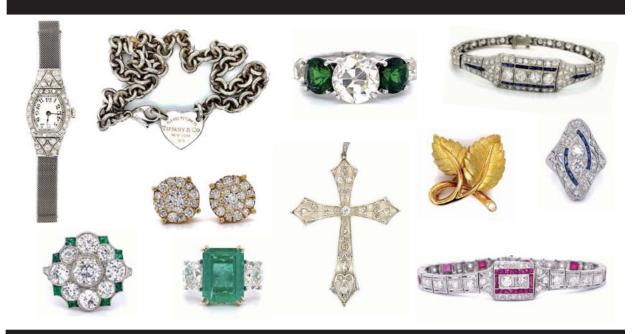
To the rear of the theater property are roughly 150 parking spaces owned by Pacific Grove. Mahoney & Associates realtor Josh Jones has the listing for Lighthouse

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Pickleball disputes spreading countywide

■ Neighbors pushback

By CHRIS COUNTS

WEIGHING IN on a topic that has divided communities in many places where seniors live, supporters and opponents spoke out April 10 on a plan to add as many as 15 pickleball courts to Chamisal Tennis and Fitness Club in Corral de Tierra. The comments were made during a Monterey County Zoning Administrator's meeting in Salinas.

Specifically, the plan calls for converting two tennis courts to eight pickleball courts, creating three new pickleball courts, and allowing the tennis club to add four more in the future.

Several neighbors voiced their opposition to the plan, including Herman Campos, who suggested that many "governing bodies" have "reduced and restricted" pickleball activities, in part due to noise.

"Pickleball is much noisier than tennis," Campos declared.

In a letter he and his wife sent to the county, Campos called pickleball "the antithesis of the quiet enjoyment of our property." He expressed concerns about the impacts the project will have on parking and the local water supply. He also wondered if the new courts would have

"We believe the increase in noise, traffic, parking and water use are more than what the county envisioned when Chamisal Tennis Club was granted a use permit over 50 years ago, and that a full review of the existing situation would be appropriate before any expansion should be considered," Campos said.

Also speaking out against the plan was neighbor Holger Kappler, who told the zoning administrator that "pickleball is something that makes us sick," and contended there are more neighbors who feel the way he does about the game.

Turning down the volume

In a letter, Kappler urged the county to require "sound-dampening walls, acoustic fencing, or alternative noise-reduction solutions before additional courts are approved." He also asked for an independent, third-party noise impact assessment and suggested limiting pickleball hours "to a more reasonable time frame, such as 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., to minimize early morning and late evening disruptions."

Several people spoke in favor of the pickleball plan, including a woman from Prunedale whose name wasn't audible during public comment.

"Interest in tennis has waned," she explained, "Cha-

misal can't be financially sustained only by tennis memberships. The public is excited and interested in playing pickleball now. It's important to the citizens of Monterey County to be able to go to play this sport. Pickleball builds community like other sports do not — children as young as 5 and people as old as 85 can play together."

More than 60 letters and emails were sent in support of the plan, although more than half of them had the exact same wording. But many others did offer praise for the sport and support for Chamisal's plan to add new pickleball courts.

Also speaking in favor of pickleball was general manager Luis Reis, who agreed



A plan to expand the number of pickleball courts at a Highway 68 tennis club is getting a pushback from some neighbors.

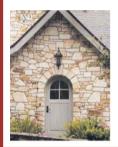
with Campos that some local governments have reduced and restricted the sport. But he said it's mostly been done in "heavily dense areas" where public parks are close to homes. "I don't know of any case of any private club being prohibited from adding pickleball to their business," Reis said.

As a possible compromise, Reis suggested moving three of the courts farther from homes.

The general manager said he's hoping pickleball will help the club stay viable something it's been struggling with since

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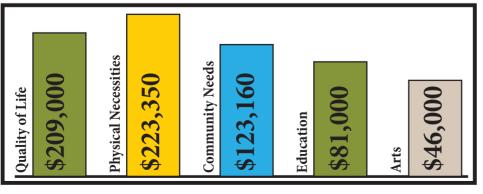
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Montage to acquire ortho clinic

By KELLY NIX

A PROMINENT orthopedic clinic in Monterey will soon get a name change and join Montage Health, the parent company for Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula.

Montage Health said last week that Monterey Spine & Joint in Ryan Ranch would become part of its group of health services, and on April 28 will operate under new moniker Montage Orthopedics and Sports Medicine.

"As a member of the Montage Health family, patients and the new organization will benefit from the company's skills and resources," Mark Carvalho, CEO for Montage Orthopedics and Sports Medicine, told The Pine Cone.

Same location

Carvalho also said there are no immediate plans to make changes to the services Monterey Spine & Joint provides its customers, nor to relocate the 11,000-squarefoot facility.

The clinic offers a wide range of musculoskeletal and neurosurgical care.

benefit from

physicians, physical therapists, occupational therapists, imaging, and urgent care in one place for holistic and integrated treatment," he said.

The orthopedic center is for many Monterey Peninsula residents the go-to place for specialized care for back and neck pain, arthritis, joint replacement, sports medicine, brain and neurological conditions, and foot, ankle, hand and arm problems. The medical clinic also offers physical and occupational therapy, orthopedic urgent care and provider visits.

The addition of Monterey Spine & Joint to our family ensures that residents of Monterey County can continue to receive world-class orthopedic care close to home," according to Michael McDermott, the new CEO of Montage Health.

Facing reductions in insurance reimbursements and rising operational costs, the economic environment for independent medical clinics is challenging.

'This collaboration allows us to maintain our integrity and expertise while integrating services into a larger, locally owned healthcare system," Dr. Samera Kasim, an orthopedic physician at Monterey Spine &



Monterey Spine & Joint will get a new name and owner. but its location and services will remain the same, a Montage Health official said.

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council should be prepared to hear the report, councilman Jeff Baron said. "I think it's very disrespectful to ask staff to put hours and hours of time into a report that we may or may not be interested in," he said.

Baron also observed that staff presentations can be helpful for those watching meetings after the fact.

Councilwoman Alissandra Dramov said she'd like to see the staff's PowerPoint presentations included in the packet. "Oftentimes they are different than what's in the staff report," she said.

Time limits

Public comments can also take up a significant chunk of time, with people allowed to speak for up to three minutes apiece. At regular meetings, constituents are allowed to talk about issues regardless if they are on the agenda, while special meetings are restricted to topics on the schedule.

Byrne said he's observed other public meetings, and he shared some ideas for curtailing public comments without stepping on people's rights to address their representatives.

Monterey, for instance, sets two 15-minute general public comment periods, one during the afternoon session and one during the evening following a mid-meeting dinner break. The Monterey council also sets rough time limits for agenda items, with 30 minutes for each public appearance or hearing, and 15 minutes per item for everything else, such as the consent calendar, closed session, presentations and agenda requests.

The Monterey mayor also asks speakers to line up in chambers and raise their hands on Zoom before public comment begins on an item and then generally won't allow any late-comers to speak.

Byrne additionally mentioned that people who want to testify before the California Coastal Commission must submit speakers' forms in advance.

Councilman Hans Buder wondered if Carmel residents

could have priority when speaking, and Pierik said he hasn't seen that before but could research it.

Baron said figuring out how many people plan to comment is a good idea, because the mayor could then reduce the amount of time each person has, if required. In the City of Davis, he added, the mayor would invite those who expected to speak for a minute or less to talk first.

"Our open public comment period has been abused the last few years, and the positive impacts of that are minimal," observed councilman Bob Delves, because it wastes people's time and forces meeting to run longer.

"The abused party ends up being our citizens, because it wears us down," he said. "I would be in favor of time limits or something that would make us less exposed to that risk."

"A lot of reasons people come to these meetings is to be heard," Dramov said, and while she doesn't really want to restrict speakers, there may be ways to streamline. "I hate the idea of making people wait to the end, but on the other hand, we need to get these meetings going."

Councilman Hans Buder, who tends to go on at length, worried that people who have put a lot of effort into their three-minute comments would be upset if they're unexpectedly restricted to less time.

Byrne offered to help people use ChatGPT to streamline their statements.

Too many meetings

Dramov also complained the council has had too many meetings. "It just gets to be too much. It gets to be too much for the public, it gets to be too much for staff, and for council as well," she said, especially with the preparation

"I'm very concerned that our meetings have been very long," she continued. "I would like us to work on making them shorter."

Recalling being resentful that he was restricted to three minutes as a member of the public, while the mayor or a council person could talk for 20 minutes on the same subject, Byrne wondered if councilmember comments should be limited, too.

"By the way, I spent hours writing three minutes," he

said.

Dramov suggested a 9:30 p.m. curfew. (At the council's regular meeting the next night, she left at 9:30, even though it was far from over.)

Byrne worried that cutting off a meeting before the council has gotten through its agenda could result in members of the public being forced to sit in chambers for hours, only to have the item they're interested in put off to another date. He advocated for tightening up staff reports, public comments and council comments.

When to hear appeals

When it was finally time for the public to weigh in during the March 31 discussion, Carmel Residents Association board member Nancy Twomey suggested putting high-priority items higher on the agenda or indicating a time when they might be heard. The council has occasionally noted on an agenda that a particular public hearing would not begin before a certain time.

Twomey also suggested limiting time for presentations made by outside agencies at the beginning of meetings.

Former councilwoman Karen Ferlito said people "have a right to speak, and they have a right to be heard." She advocated for always hearing staff presentations and cautioned the council against opining on issues before listening to public comment, because people might think they've already made up their minds.

She also suggested Delves, as vice mayor, should keep track "of what the other members and the public want on agendas," so issues don't fall off the list. He was amenable.

Among Delves' recommendations was scheduling appeals — such as the three that were set for the end of the following day's meeting — during special council meetings in the daytime.

"Doing appeals late at night is wrong," he said, in part because people, including those paid by the hour, have to sit through many other items. He also said appeals generally don't elicit as much public participation.

Dramov and Buder suggested adding a third meeting mid-month, and Byrne said council meetings could begin at 4 p.m., rather than at 4:30, with a targeted cutoff of 9:30.

The council took no formal action, and city administrator Chip Rerig said he would work with Pierik to return with a draft policy "based on what we've heard."

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dwelling unit, an attached junior accessory dwelling unit, covered and uncovered decks, patios and exterior staircases. They also want to remove some live oaks, drill a well, develop on slopes greater than 25 percent, and reduce setbacks from 5 feet to none.

It's uncertain how much square footage the house would contain. County documents don't list it, but several speakers suggested it's 15,000 square feet. But Peinado said during the hearing that the main house would 7,000 square feet, with two ADUs of 1,600 square feet and 500 square feet.

The contemporary-style house would be made of concrete and glass, with wood and Carmel stone finishes. According to Peinado, only two stories would be visible from the street. He noted that the home would also be resistant to fire, unlike "all the surrounding combustible wood structures."

The Carmel Valley Land Use Advisory Committee voted 4-0 June 17, 2024, to recommend denial of the project, and the county planning commission denied it as well on Dec. 11, 2024, by a 10-0 vote. In response, the applicant appealed the decision to the supervisors.

Will the county be sued?

At Tuesday's hearing, planner Fiona Jensen shared details of the project with the supervisors — and told them that the applicants have "continuously delayed and obstructed the appropriate authority's consideration of the project.'

An attorney for the applicants, Laura Strazzo told the supervisors that they must approve the project under the builder's remedy, which expedites permits for housing projects when municipalities fail to uphold housing laws.

"State law requires the board of supervisors to overturn the planning commission's denial of the application," Strazzo said. "Under the current builders' remedy law, this project does not require an affordable unit. Therefore, as you sit here today, you must interpret the project under the builder's remedy."

Strazzo suggested the county would face litigation if it did not approve the development. She noted that the cities of

Berkeley and Los Angeles have been fined millions of dollars for their lack of compliance with the state Housing Affordability Act. She also contended that it was county staff, and not her team, that was "uncooperative" during the planning process.

"Today, the board has a chance to right a wrong and limit your legal exposure,"

A number of neighbors spoke out against the development, including Elaine Taylor.

'The applicant is attempting to circumvent the county's review processes to build a massive non-compliant private home," Taylor said. "It's a blatant violation of county ordinances and the Carmel Valley Master Plan.'

Daniel William Krueger, the nearest neighbor, called the project "unreasonable, incompatible and unacceptable," and "a misuse and abuse of legislation."

"I ask that you refuse to be intimated by the aggressive tactics and threats of legal action," he commented.

'I've heard enough'

Before the supervisors weighed in on the proposal, 5th District Supervisor Kate Daniels recused herself "out of an abundance of caution" because she was on the planning commission when it turned down the project.

First District Supervisor Luis Alejo took issue with the legal threats.

"It's a weak argument when someone makes threats of litigation," Alejo said. "Threats of litigation do not intimidate me."

Alejo said the builder's remedy was never intended for projects like this one.

"To say it was somehow intended for a 15,000-square-foot personal home, I find that a hard argument to make," he said. "These were intended for low-income developments. I don't think it meets the intent, even if this was challenged in court.'

Alejo made a motion to send the application back to the planning commission, where the applicants would have an opportunity to revise the plan.

Before the supervisors voted unanimously in support of the motion, District 3 Supervisor Chris Lopez observed that he was recently accused of never seeing a housing project that he didn't like. But even he sided with his colleagues.

"Well, that day has arrived," he announced just before the vote. "I've heard enough."

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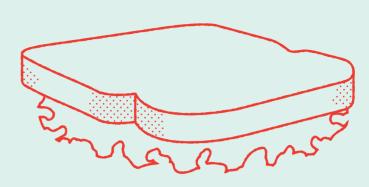
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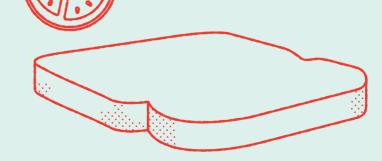
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SUNSET CENTER, CARMEL MONTEREYSYMPHONY.ORG we are doing something wrong." She asked the council to overturn the planning commission's vote not just so she could have the roof she wants, but "to correct an injustice and to show me and my fellow residents that Carmel really does care about equal, just, fair, non-discriminatory, non-arbitrary access to the highest standard of fire safety."

Her decaying wood shake roof is leaking, and her house cannot sustain a heavier fireproof material, like clay barrel or slate, according to Faia. Therefore, the only options on the city's list of acceptable roofing materials were asphalt shingles or resin-based composite shingles, neither of which is non-combustible.

"I should not be forced to put either of these toxic and non-fireproof materials on my home," she said.

Instead, she argued for using aluminum, which won't catch

fire, is non-toxic and is, in fact, a "natural material."

"Aluminum is the third most abundant naturally occurring element in our Earth's crust," she said.

Faia accused commissioners of basing their decision on emotion "and subjective personal opinions and the excuse that they had already approved too many metal roofs," and she urged the council to fix the guidelines.

"I stand solidly in my conviction that every member of this community deserves the same rights of fair, just and equal access to the highest standard of fire safety," she said. "I am cautiously optimistic that things seem to be moving in a positive direction and that change is imminent. Please overturn the planning commission's unjust decision and prove me right."

'Get it over with'

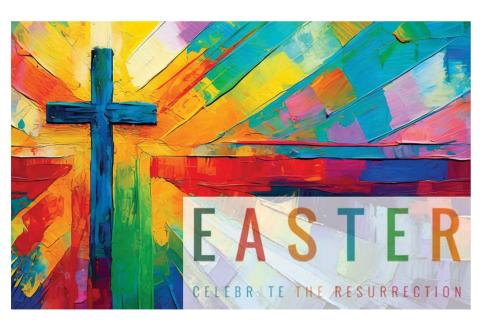
Resident Andi Carr wondered why some people object so strenuously to metal roofs.

"Don't we have better things to do with our time? We've

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Brandi Faia finally got the go-ahead to replace her deteriorating wood roof — and tarps — with metal.















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others to incorporate "innovative technology" into two Caterpillar D8 bulldozers, according to the state agency. Drabinski noted that such bulldozers are commonly used in the mining industry. Deployed in Big Sur, they will help make it possible to "increase production and protect worker safety at Regent's Slide, where crews are challenged by the height, steepness and instability of the slide."

Drabinski told The Pine Cone that the bulldozer's operator sits about 1,000 feet away in a portable office and uses a laptop to direct the machinery.

Only time will tell

The remote-controlled bulldozers won't replace human-operated bulldozers at the site, but they will be used in places where the slide is active.

"As the efficiencies with this innovative remote-controlled equipment are realized, Caltrans will provide

regular updates on progress on these slide repairs and an estimated reopening date," Drabinski added. "We know we have a long way to go."

Aside from minor delays at Rocky Creek, where a one-way signal regulates traffic, motorists from the Carmel area can drive south to Esalen Institute, a distance of about 45 miles, and visit most of Big Sur's resorts, inns, galleries and parks along the way. But it's been more than two years since they've been able to drive to Cambria along the coast.



PHOTO/CALTRAN

Remote-controlled bulldozers work at the last remaining slide blocking Highway 1 access to Cambria.

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approved other metal roofs, so why haven't we approved this one? Let's just get it over with," she said.

Another couple whose metal roof was OK'd several years ago sided with Faia, and firefighter Nathan Smith — whose metal roof was approved by the planning commission in January — also argued for consistency.

Refund?

"I was and continue to be very concerned with all of the denials this same commission has made for almost identical projects in my neighborhood and throughout town," he said, pointing out that Faia's house is similar to his and is a block away.

"Every person in this village should be allowed to put a non-combustible roof on their home if they choose," he continued. "In fact, every homeowner should be incentivized to do this sort of fire-safe construction."

"I think we should allow Ms. Faia to have the roof that she wants," councilman

Bob Delves commented. "I don't see how it would be objectionable to the neighbors."

Councilman Jeff Baron observed that the prevalence of a particular type of roof is not a reason to deny it, considering that many homes close to each other have asphalt shingles, or wood shingles, or clay tiles, or slate.

And telling Faia that she should install a horizontal metal roof — without knowing whether such a thing is commercially available — and then stamped shingles, which are also questionable, simply means that the commission "likes metal, just not this metal," Baron said.

Councilwoman Alissandra Dramov supported Faia's request, as did councilman Hans Buder, who noted that a horizontally paneled metal roof is "not a thing."

Byrne was likeminded and said Faia should get her appeal fees refunded for her trouble, which city administrator Chip Rerig said he would look into, and the council voted unanimously to invalidate the planning commission's ruling and give Faia her roof.

Afterward, Delves said the planning department should work quickly to update its guidelines "so this doesn't keep happening."



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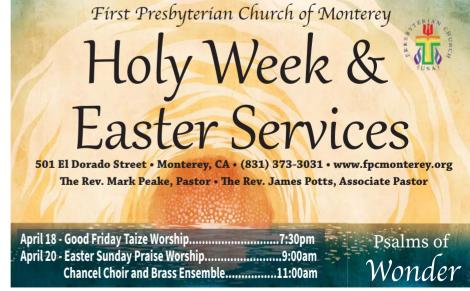
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VENDORS From page 12A

better enforce the existing regulations rather than impose new ones, Hill told the council.

Some at the town hall suggested establishing preferred status for local sellers, which city attorney Christine Davi speculated would violate the state law.

"There are also concerns about people leaving tables and equipment overnight or setting up before the allowed hours," which run from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., Hill said.

To address safety and aesthetic concerns, he proposed confining vendors to specific zones to provide larger buffers for pedestrians, cyclists and other users of the rec trail, and to make the area more attractive. Among its provisions, the revised law would limit vendors to 32-square-foot spaces and cap the height of any structure, including umbrellas, at 8 feet. In addition, no vending equipment can be attached to or in contact with any above-ground structures, such as monuments or walls, and products must be displayed between 28 and 34 inches above the ground.

The revised ordinance also states vendors can't set up within 10 feet of driveways and marked crosswalks or within 15 feet of each other, fountains, statues and monuments, and curb ramps. They could not be within 25 feet of either wharf or of the rec trail's center line.

As a result, sellers would be restricted to an area of roughly 3,000 square feet in the highly sought-after area near Old Fisherman's Wharf.

Livelihoods threatened

Shai and Mira Nissim, who began selling art and jewelry in 2019 and said vending helped them survive financially during the Covid-19 pandemic, argued against further restrictions.

"Let's create a system that helps vendors thrive - not just comply," Shai Nissim wrote, including by providing better guidance on where they can sell. "We are not asking for special treatment — we are asking for fair treatment. We need space."

Mira Nissim requested "transparent records, documented facts and clear proof" that vending in the area has caused problems or safety issues. "We deserve access to objective data, not just anecdotal complaints, to justify such sweeping restrictions," she said.

She also argued that vendors "add life, creativity and accessibility to our city's vibrant waterfront" and "help transform a simple stroll into a memorable cultural experience, making our city feel more welcoming and alive.

The new rules would present a major challenge to sellers trying to make enough money to cover their costs of living, according to Nissim.

"The proposed changes threaten my ability to make a living in my own hometown," one vendor said, while another speaker accused owners of brick-and-mortar spaces of conspiring against them.

"These people have as much a right to be there as business owners have a right to have their shops," she said. "There's a secretive competition that wants these vendors gone, just like hotels don't want people living in their RVs."

Not surprisingly, local business organizations, including the Old Monterey Business Association, the Fisherman's Wharf Association, the Cannery Row Business Association and the Monterey County Hospitality Association, expressed support for additional regulations.

"I encourage action be taken to drastically reduce the amount of sidewalk vending permits available in an effort to clean up our image for visitors and to make the area safer for everyone," Lance Koehler, chair of the Cannery Row Business Association, said.

Fairness

Several times during the meeting, people called out from the audience, with Mayor Tyller Williamson saying more than once that he would either bring more police in or kick people out if they didn't follow the rules.

"Next time somebody speaks out, I'm going to ask you to leave," he said at one point, when the council's deliberations were interrupted. "That's going to happen."

Council members were generally supportive of he update, though they asked Hill and his department to work on developing a system that would more fairly distribute the coveted vendor spaces near Custom House Plaza, since not all of those with permits could fit there at once.

"I'm invested in making sure this works for everyone involved, especially when we're talking about a person's livelihood," said councilman Gino Garcia. "Firstcome-first-served doesn't work," considering the effort it takes to load up products and equipment and drive to the wharf area before 6 a.m., only to possibly be turned

"I want a better way to serve our vendors," he said.

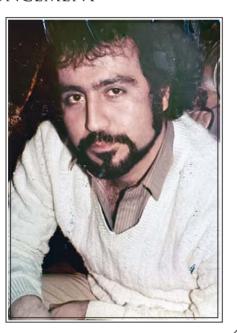
Williamson raised the possibility of a lottery or random drawing, while others suggested rotating sellers, or assigning some to morning hours and others to evening hours, or using some other means of selection. Councilwoman Jean Rasch also wanted staff to identify the 33 best spots vendors could set up in the city, so all of them might be accommodated.

The only substantive change the council made to the draft ordinance was to reduce the buffer between sellers from 15 feet to 10 feet, and the motion to approve it passed unanimously. Unless substantial changes are made, the law will be brought back for a second reading and final adoption by the council and will become law 30 days after

ANNOUNCEMENT

We are deeply saddened to announce the passing of Khosrow Mojtaba "Moe" Tavakolian after a tough battle with cancer. He passed away at the age of 70 on Tuesday, April 15, 2025, in his home in Carmel surrounded by his wife and children. He will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

Friends, family and acquaintances will all gather for a service at noon on Monday April 21, 2025, at City of Monterey Cementerio El Encinal located at 798 Fremont St. Monterey, CA 93940. A celebration of life will be held shortly after at 8430 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel, CA 93923.



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County Supervisor Wendy Root Askew, who seemed to hold grudges against Handcar Tours. For example, Delgado made numerous social media posts about the row, including in October 2024, when he stated, "In my opinion, TAMC is evicting handcars for the trouble TAMC perceives handcar owners have caused for TAMC.

According to Mason Clark, Askew said she and other transportation agency board members "would not feel comfortable in extending the lease" to the business "or having any other lease agreements" and that Handcar Tours "needed to do damage control with respect to TAMC, and that it needed to live up to all that it said to and

The judge said the statements from the offifials "provide significant support" for the handcar business' First Amendment retaliation claim. She was also critical of the agency's response to the lawsuit.

"Remarkably, TAMC has not submitted any evidence to directly rebut the museum's evidence of retaliatory motive," including any declarations or statements from board members, meeting minutes, "or any other contemporaneous record reflecting a non-retaliatory motive for the TAMC's August 2024 decision."

"Moreover, the circumstantial evidence overwhelmingly illustrates that the project was not ready to begin construction as of August 2024, when the TAMC decided not to renew the lease," Lee said, adding that the agency at the time had not yet received more than \$20 million in federal funds necessary for the development.

Attempts to evict the business, Lee went on to say, threatens to chill its exercise of its constitutional rights, and she found that the handcar business had shown the likelihood of "irreparable harm."



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Cinema.

"This an iconic property in downtown Pacific Grove," Jones said. "The ownership is hopeful that a new buyer will continue to operate it as a cinema or a similar type of use."

The theater, which has faced competition from the larger and more high-tech Cinemark Century Monterey 13 at Del Monte Shopping Center, also offers comedy shows, karaoke, live music and other entertainment, including a "Star Wars Burlesque" show scheduled for May.

The site is zoned downtown commercial, and residential/mixed use is a permitted use, said Jones, adding that the City of Pacific Grove has water credits for sale if a

PATH

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begin soon and should be completed by the end of July.

While the aesthetic of the esplanade will essentially be the same as the previous one, Stivers said it will be moved about 20 to 50 feet inland, depending on the section.

"That was part of the coastal commission approval," he said.

Reduce risk

When the trail was built, it was "adequately set back from the shoreline so as to avoid coastal hazards," according to a November 2024 commission report on the project. However, powerful waves during the 2022-2023 winter storms obliterated portions of it and damaged the rest.

Salinas-based Blevins Construction will repair the segments that were destroyed, many of which are buried under mountains of sand.

Moving it inland is expected to reduce the risk of future damage from storms, "ensure user safety," and avoid the need for protective armoring, the commission said.

The agency required the P.B. Company to build the path in March 1985 as public access mitigation for the construction of the Inn at Spanish Bay hotel, condominiums and golf course.

Last week, crews erected "closed for construction" signs on the walkway in preparation for the work.

BAMBACE PETERSON buyer wanted to use the building for something other than a movie theater.

'More than a theater'

A local developer in 2023 proposed building a mixed-income housing project that would have required converting Lighthouse Cinema into market-rate units and developing the city-owned parking lot for low- and moderate-income units. The proposal never got off the ground.

The theater is still owned by three Enea family sisters, who had leased it to a movie theater operator before that company prematurely terminated the contract. That forced the family to temporarily close the theater in March 2023, but it was reopened that May.

"Lighthouse Cinema is more than just a movie theater. It is where first dates are had, friendships are made, and families come together to enjoy the big-screen movie experience," the theater's website says.

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"Membership is down," he said. "Prior to Covid, we had 920 memberships. Today, we have 750. If we go below 700, we go broke. We'd like to stay in business for the next 50 years.

As for potential impacts on water and traffic, the tennis club contends there won't be any, because the plan isn't boosting membership — only stabilizing it.

Zoning administrator Mike Novo said a decision will likely be announced May 29 and could be appealed to the Monterey County Planning Commission.

and the annual dues are \$60, though members are encouraged to donate more, and all contributions are tax-deductible. The bulk of the nonprofit's income comes from donations and grants, with smaller amounts from fees for services, investment income and other sources.

For its 75th birthday, the organization is inviting everyone to visit its campus between 4 and 6 p.m. April 21 for music, refreshments, "a reflection on the foundation's legacy," and a ribbon-cutting ceremony in partnership with the Carmel Chamber of Commerce.

Receiving far more than anyone else in the "other" category was former assistant city administrator Maxine Gullo, who left in January 2024 to take a more lucrative job with the City of Mountain View. Described as a "parttime" employee in the 2024 salary survey, Gullo received

\$45,330 in "other pay," which accounted for a significant

chunk of the total compensation of \$89,578 she received

after working for just a few weeks last year. In 2023, her

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total comp was \$266,183. All told, 29 city employees received base salaries exceeding \$100,000, with three of them collecting base pay of more than \$200,000.

Lori Jeanne Ahrens Curotto

Lori Jeanne Curotto (née Ahrens), age 66, of Marengo, Illinois, sadly and shockingly left our world on March 31, 2025, at her home in Carmel, California.

Lori was born Sept. 12, 1958, to Dr. Robert and Verla Ahrens, in Belvidere Illinois. She was raised in Marengo, Illinois and graduated from Marengo Community High School in 1976. She then attended Northern Illinois University and Rock Valley College. After college, Lori moved to California to work as a legal secretary where she met and married the love of her life, Bob Curotto. Lori and Bob were married on Sept. 6, 1986

Lori was very fortunate to have, and treasured, her many wonderful friendships. She was warm, funny and had a way of making a person feel special. She also very much enjoyed her work as a women's clothing stylist. Lori led a very adventurous life with her husband. She and Bob traveled around the world, most of it bicycling around Europe. She was an avid golfer. Lori was a fabulous cook and loved visiting and entertaining her family and friends. She was a compassionate and caring person who loved to laugh and knew how to enjoy life. Holidays and gatherings without Lori will never be the same. She will be greatly missed by all who were fortunate enough to have known and loved her.

Lori is survived by her loving husband, Bob; her mother, Verla Ahrens of Mesquite, Nevada; siblings, Robert (Dusty) Ahrens of Battle Creek, Michigan, Dennis (Pattie)

Ahrens of Mesquite, Nevada and Randy (Charlotte) Ahrens of Tomahawk, Wisconsin. She is also survived by her in-laws, Ed (Mary) Curotto, Janice (Robert) Rich, and Don (Elise) Curotto and by many nephews and nieces and great-nephews and greatnieces. Lori was preceded in death by her maternal and paternal grandparents and her father, Dr. Robert Ahrens.



ANTRANIK (ANDY) BARSAMIAN

Antranik (Andy) Barsamian passed away peacefully on March 23, 2025. The loss leaves us with heavy hearts, but with a legacy of loving and giving, a shining example of a life well-lived.

Born Aug. 1, 1930, to Armenian immigrants, Andy's earliest memories were of working by his dad's side on the family vineyard growing table grapes in Parlier, CA. Here is where his love for the land, early mornings and Armenian food took root. In his youth, he served as an altar boy and often played his violin in St. Mary's Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church in Yettem, and

> excelled in academics and sports at Parlier High and Reedley Junior College before going on to earn his pharmacy degree from Oregon State.

> Andy loved all things Oregon State including Eloise Cottel who sat behind him in his first chemistry class. He became president of the Acacia Fraternity and accompanied Eloise, who quickly became the love of his life, to ballgames, dances and, of course, to class.

> In 1954, Andy married Eloise, and together they moved to Fresno where Andy worked weekdays as a pharmacist and weekends farming with his dad. Unafraid of taking risks, in 1959, with two children in tow, they moved to Patterson, CA. Here, they added a second son to their family, joined the Federated Church and became deeply rooted in their new hometown. Opening their own community pharmacy, Patterson Drug, they worked day and night to build the life of their dreams. And dream they did. Over the span of their careers, with their sons continuing the Barsamian legacy in the pharmacy profession and joining the family business, they opened several stores in the Central Valley.

Whether providing medication late at night to the sick or coaching his sons' Little League games, Andy was always there for his family and others. His dedication earned him the Melvin Jones Fellow Award for his outstanding service to the Lions Club and the community. He held numerous leadership roles throughout the region, including at the University of the Pacific. Andy mentored young pharmacy students and just as he did with his own children, inspired them to work hard and never give up on their dreams. The youth, his co-workers, customers and townspeople were an important part of his extended family.

In retirement, Andy and Eloise settled in Carmel, where Andy — often seen walking the beach with their dog, Abby — befriended everyone he met, and with that signature smile of his he would usually invite them home and offer them raisins and pistachios.

Andy leaves behind Eloise, his wife, of 71 years; his sister, Margaret Flagler; his daughter, Brenda (Jack) Sieglock, their children Chris (Rachel), Mark (Greta), and Amanda; his son, Randy Barsamian, his children Robert (Elizabeth), David (Christina), and Natalie (Josiah) Frisbie; and his son, Robert (Trisha) Barsamian their children Sarah, Ashley and Ryan; as well as, seven muchloved great-grandchildren, cousins, nieces, nephews and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, Azad and Hairabed Barsamian; his younger brother, George; and his baby sister, Margaret Barsamian.

He loved deeply and was deeply loved in return. He was our hero — and your friend.

Andy's life will be celebrated with a private family service and entombment.

The family wishes to extend their heartfelt gratitude for the outpouring of your love and prayers at this difficult time; we cannot thank you enough for all your support. Remembrances may be made to the church or charity dear to your heart; memories may be shared at legacy.com.



SUZANNE 'SUE' DORIS (PERRY) MCFADDAN

August 16, 1937 - April 2, 2025

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Suzanne "Sue" (Perry) McFaddan, who left us peacefully on April 2, 2025, at the age of 87.

Sue was born in Ottawa, Canada on August 16, 1937, to John and Rose Marie (Provost) Perry. She was raised in Monterey County, having grown up in Watsonville, Pacific Grove, and Monterey. Sue attended San Carlos School in Monterey and graduated high school from Junipero Memorial High School in 1955.

In 1955, Sue met her husband, DeWayne Henry McFaddan, and they were married at San Carlos Cathedral on Sept. 2, 1956. They built their life together and raised their four children in Carmel Valley. She was a parishioner at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church and a member of the Carmel Foundation, the Monterey Museum of Art and the Central Coast Quality of Life Program (CCQLP/MSQLP). She served her community in many ways throughout her life, working for different local businesses and volunteering for a variety of organizations, including serving as a Brownie leader and Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) instructor in the church. She loved attending local events at the Carmel Valley Library, reading, and spending time with her family. She was an exceptional cook and amazing

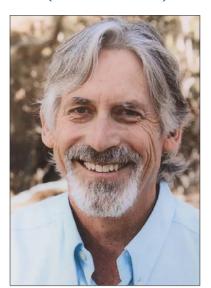
Sue was preceded in death by her parents, John and Rose Marie Perry; her husband, DeWayne McFaddan; and her brother and sister-in-law, Albert "Frank" and Dolores Perry.

She is survived by her four children. Michael (Ginny) McFaddan, Denise (Ernie) Rojas, Timothy (Wendy) McFaddan, and Stacia (Duane) Hilliard; her six grandchildren, Allison (Michaelangelo) Mesina, Matthew (Jennifer) Hilliard, Beth (Michael) Frederick, Carole (Andrew Greiner) McFaddan, Casey (Bret) Chernetsky, and Angelina Rojas; and her 10 great-grandchildren, Audrey and Brady Chernetsky, Wyatt and Dakota Hilliard, Sophia and Miles Mesina, Zoe and Connor Frederick, and Logan and Henry Geiner; and many extended family members and friends.

Private family services have been held. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Sue's alma mater, San Carlos School, Monterey.

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CYNTHIA H. DOLLAR

Jan. 24, 1953 & Oct. 17, 2024

Cynthia Lee Clinite Hill was born Jan. 24, 1953, to Camilla Smith and Lt. Richard C. Clinite in Alameda, California. Richard C. Clinite bravely lost his life serving our country. Camilla, with Cindy and her sister Anne, moved to Carmel to be close to her parents who lived in Pebble Beach. Camilla remarried Fr. David St. Léger Hill in 1955. Cynthia grew up on the Monterey Peninsula, primarily in Carmel.

Passionate about horses from an early age, Cindy started "Pony Club" in Pebble Beach as a young girl, making close and life-long friendships. She later became a skilled equestrian and taught her children about the merriment of horses. She was athletic and an avid runner who enjoyed adventure. Gifted in many ways, she notably had a big heart and was eager to generously give compassion and was comforting to those she loved.

She attended Santa Catalina School in Monterey, and The Kent School for girls in Denver. She continued her education at the University of California Santa Barbara and the University of California Berkeley to obtain a liberal arts degree.

She married Robert Stanley Dollar III on Jan. 30, 1982, at St. John's Episcopal Church in Oakland. They moved to Snoqualmie, Washington, after they wed, and later Bellevue, Washington. Once there the couple raised their four children, and became involved in the community. Cynthia adored her children. She taught them to be kind, loving and find joy in life. They had many happy visits to Stanley Dollar's family ranch in Napa with friends.

Cindy was an animal lover, and had many puppies and adopted kittens, which she cherished. She maintained a lifetime of notable wit and humor. We all enjoyed the poignant New Yorker cartoons she would post on her Facebook page. Cynthia was known for her ability to make those around her laugh when they needed it the most. She was empathetic during tough times.

Her courage was powerful. She was holding Stan's hand the night she passed. She was blessed at St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral in Seattle, Washington. She will be dearly missed, and loved always.

Cindy is survived by Stanley Dollar; their children, Christopher H. Dollar and Nancy E. Dollar (Peter Bull); stepdaughters, Lloyd Dollar and Lloyd's children, Liam and Avery Dollar, Cameron Dollar (Brook Boling); and her siblings, Anne H. Russ (Thomas Russ) and Anne's children, Andrew, Lauren and Mary Russ, Patrick Hill (Evelyn) and Patrick's children, Daniel, and Divine Hill, Thomas A. Hill (Stephanie).

"Flights of angels sing thee to thy rest." — William Shakespeare

Donations can be made in Cynthia's memory to All Saints Episcopal Church
in Carmel, or the ASPCA of your choice.

THOMAS PAUL BOHNEN

July 26, 1943 - March 30, 2025

Tom was born and raised in St. Paul, Minnesota and passed away peacefully at home in Carmel, California. He attended Saint Thomas Academy High School, Seattle University and graduated with law degrees from the University of San Francisco and New York University.

As a local attorney, he worked until the day he died, helping numerous families with estate planning. Throughout his life, Tom championed girl's softball in Carmel, helped build STORM softball in Salinas, and was proud of his service on the Westland House, the Community Foundation and Hospice of Monterey boards. He took pride in serving his community with integrity and a calm, rational demeanor. He will be remembered as someone who raised a strong and independent family with his former wife, Lynn, never forgot a name, was a competitive and skilled card player, could name any tune from his era, frequented the Cheese Shop,



loved solving problems, and enjoyed traveling to Paris with his wife.

Tom is survived by his wife, Mary; daughters, Bridget Randazzo (Mark) and Allison Bohnen Loutas (Kerry); French daughter, Mylene Melinand (Cyril); step-children, Jay Aguirre (Laura), Rene Bjerke (Mark) and Josh Aguirre; and grandchildren, Olivia, Camille, Kirigin, Maud, Johanne, Espe, Frankie, CJ, and Emme.

A private, family memorial will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, a donation in Tom's name can be made to Westland House, The Community Foundation, or STORM Softball.



DAVID A. CLARK, MD

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Dr. David A. Clark on March 11, 2025, a cherished community physician, devoted family man, and community leader.

David Allen Clark was born on May 10, 1939, in Bradford, Pennsylvania, as an only child. He earned his undergraduate degree from Syracuse University before pursuing a medical degree at the University of Rochester. Following a mixed medicine/surgical internship at Stanford University, David served with the Peace Corps, first as the director of the Public Health Service in Malawi and later as medical director of its Africa region in Washington, D.C.

Returning to Stanford University School of Medicine, David completed a postdoctoral fellowship in cardiology, followed by a senior fellowship in the same field. He played a vital role on the heart transplant team during the first successful transplant at Stanford Medical Center. As cardiac care evolved, David traveled to Zurich to collaborate with Dr. Andreas Gruentzig, the inventor of coronary angioplasty. Bringing this groundbreaking technique to the United States, he worked alongside two fellow cardiologists to advance angioplasty methods at the San Francisco Heart Institute. A pioneer in the field since 1979, David, accompanied by his wife, Terice, frequently traveled to Asia, establishing interventional heart programs in medical centers across Singapore, Hong Kong and Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. He also authored two influential books on angioplasty for physicians.

In 1984, David returned to Stanford as a clinical professor of medicine in cardiology and co-director of the Cardiovascular Interventional Training Program. He later partnered with Sam Downing to launch the heart program at Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital, where he became the first medical director of the Cardiac Catheterization Lab. A Founding Fellow of the Society for Cardiac Angiography & Interventions, he eventually served as president of this prestigious international medical society.

At the core of David's life was his beloved family. A dedicated husband, father, and grandfather, he is survived by his wife, Terice; their daughter, Lindsay Clark Jurow, MD, and her husband, Jeff; their children, Ethan, Zoe and Savannah; as well as his brothers-in-law, Tony Brindis, Robert Brindis and David McDonald, and his sister-in-law, Karin DeDona.

Beyond his professional and family life, David was an avid golfer, treasuring the camaraderie of his golfing friends both on and off the course. He served as a board member of the Monterey Peninsula Foundation and was a member of the grant committee.

Dr. David A. Clark leaves behind a legacy of compassion, excellence, and unwavering dedication. His contributions to medicine and the countless lives he touched will be remembered forever.

A celebration of his life will begin at 11 a.m. on May 3rd at St. Angela Merici Church, where family, friends, colleagues and patients are invited to attend.

Padres, Pirates and Cougars are all ready to chase aquatic accolades

ON THE Monterey Peninsula, the fastest water creatures without gills, flukes or fins can typically be found in the swimming pool at Stevenson School, where the 2025 Pirates fully expect to build upon a legacy of success.

Stevenson, arch-rival Carmel, and Santa Catalina will vie again this year in the Pacific Coast Athletic League's top division — the Gabilan — where Monterey, Pacific Grove, Hollister and Salinas round out the competition.

"I really think we'll send our largest contingent of individual qualifiers to the Central Coast Section meet this year," predicted Franco Pacheco, whose Stevenson boys team is the reigning PCAL champion.

Pirates are PCAL champs

The Pirates narrowly edged Carmel for the 2024 boys title at the league meet, where Monterey won the girls crown over Seaside, Pacific Collegiate and Santa Catalina. Stevenson's girls tied Salinas and Anzar for sixth place, but return a team with both quality and quantity.

"This is probably the best team I've ever coached," said Allen Garner, who made three previous coaching stops two high schools, one college — before arriving at Stevenson as Jim Fannin's assistant in 2017. Garner became head coach of the Pirates girls in 2020.

Carmel also has talent and depth again this season, figuring to be Stevenson's most serious rival in both girls and

Santa Catalina's first-year swimming coach, Kendra Klein, also the school's water polo coach, has strong individual swimmers on an enthusiastic 11-girl roster — one short of the number needed to score as a team in meets.

The Padres' most dominant athlete on the boys roster, according to Coach Franco Pacheco, is likely to be senior Beckett Heywood, the Pacific Coast Athletic League's defending champion in 1-meter diving. Heywood also

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

qualified as an individual for the Central Coast Section Championships, placing 10th out of 21 divers.

"He's probably our top guy this year, and we're looking for him to be somewhere in the top eight at CCS," Pacheco



(Above) Among Carmel's best swimmers this year are (from left) seniors Macie Hill and Layla Viel and juniors Marc Kalman-Zulik and Jack Balas. (Right) Senior captain Vivian Edwards (at left) and junior Georgia Morrison are among veteran Catalina swimmers who also compete for club teams during the offseason.

a year ago in the 200-yard freestyle — an event he's expected to dominate again — and the 100 backstroke and 200 freestyle, where he also is a good bet to repeat.

"Will can swim pretty much any event and is also a key person on our relays, so he's really powerful for us in those ways," the coach said.

Wu, Fung, Yang, Qian

The top junior, Andy Wu, is the PCAL's best in the 100 breaststroke and the individual medley, and also should contend in the 100 freestyle.

He is pushed by senior teammate Isaac Fung, who typically places second to Wu in the breaststroke and IM.

Others to watch include sprinter and butterfly specialist Chris Yang, sprint freestyler Alan Qian — both juniors and talented freshmen Lev Feinberg (200 and 500 freestyles and 100 backstroke) and Bermuda native Dash Irvine, a trained platform diver who is converting to the

Yang, Fung, Wu and Mairano are expected to eclipse their own school record in the 200 individual medley.

Wu has a legitimate shot of besting the 100 breaststroke record that has stood since the early 2000s, and Mairano could challenge Stevenson's 34-year-old record in the 100 backstroke.

Carmel's boys handed Stevenson its only dual-meet loss in the past seven years in 2024 and have a formidable roster of veteran swimmers again this year.

The Padres' highest placers from the PCAL Championships include senior Dean Bullas (second in diving), junior Landon Onitsuka (third in the 200 freestyle) and stroke swimmer Ryan Lin, a senior who placed fourth in both the 100 backstroke and 200 individual medley.

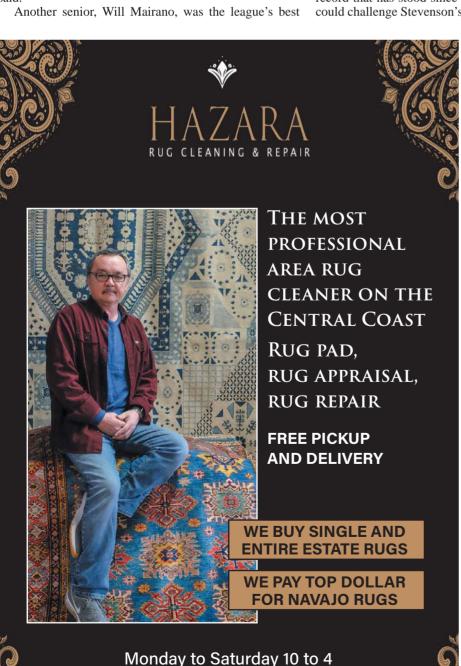
Other formidable veterans are juniors Jack Balas (sprint freestyles), Dylan Chhor (200 and 500 freestyles) and Marc Kalman-Zulik (200 IM), and sophomore diver Will Myles.

The future looks bright thanks to a promising influx of freshmen that includes distance freestyler Oliver Cogley, Josh Gardner (100 breast, 200 free), Augie Homan (100 IM, 100 back), Patrick Reeves (50 free, 100 breast), and Matthew Thomas (100 free, 100 back).

Stevenson's girls team is bolstered by eight members of a varsity water polo squad that played for the NorCal Division II crown last November.

Three will be scholarship water polo players next fall

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at NCAA Division I universities. Swim team co-captains Emmerson Ferreira and Miranda Salinger are going to UC Santa Barbara, and Sienna Cimoli is headed for San Jose State.

"I feel really lucky to have those girls, because I think they probably could've found ways to see themselves out of high school swimming," said Garner, the head coach. "They're all awesome, not only as swimmers, but also as leaders."

Ferreira, the PCAL's Most Valuable Player in water polo, figures to be the team's top scorer as defending league champion in both the 50 and 200 freestyles. She was also an individual qualifier for the CCS Swimming Championships.

Salinger, the Offensive MVP on that NorCal team, will be part of a formidable lineup that also includes water polo veterans Arielle Dale (first-team all-league), and second-teamers Cimoli and Charlotte Morrow (both second teamers). All are

Others participating in both water sports

include juniors Jacqui Powers, a freestyler and backstroker, and sprinter Franki Derby Brown (who played 15 varsity games as a freshman in 2023), plus freshmen Emily Lee, a butterfly and IM specialist, and freestyler Kate Solomon.

Sophomore newcomer Wendy Gillam should score points in the individual medley, backstroke, and butterfly.

"Our relay teams are going to be insanely fast, especially freestyles," Garner said. "Emmerson, our anchor-leg swimmer, is a big piece of that.'

With 34 female swimmers, Carmel could be positioned to outscore the Pirates at the PCAL meet, where Padres diver Victoria Valdez won last year's 1-meter diving event as a sophomore, and Macie Hill took second in the 100 breast as a freshman.

Other league placers for the Padres a year ago included Layla Viel (seventh in the IM) and Eliana Sogge (sixth in diving.)

Young and talented

Hallie Crabbe, a sophomore, is a veteran on a team with multiple talented underclassmen, including freshmen freestylers Joya Besler, Avery Marzoni, and Eva Melentieva, plus IM and freestyle swimmer Riley Nothhelfer.

Santa Catalina's 11-girl roster has five divers, including juniors Jayla Ballesteros and Juliana Foley, 11th at PCALs last year, both returning letter winners who participated in a summer diving camp in Texas.

Another junior, Quinn Connolly, was the highest placer at the PCAL meet (10th in the 200 and 500 freestyles) for the Cougars, where Vivian Edwards — a senior captain this season took 13th place in the

Additional leadership is expected from co-captain Georgia Morrison, twin sisters Eva and Violet Bradley, and Alicia Fong — all iuniors.

New additions include

Southern California boarding students Isis Pegula and Reagan Brooks, and Texas resident Fiona Payne.

Connally, Fong, Edwards, Morrison, Pegula, and the Bradley sisters all played on a strong Catalina water polo team that went 14-6 last fall. Connally, who scored 155 goals, was first-team All-PCAL on that squad.

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Freshman Emily Lee (left), a butterfly and individual medley standout, and senior co-captain Emmerson Ferreira, defending PCAL champ in two sprints, are speedsters on a powerful Stevenson girls team.

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Stevenson junior Andy Wu is the defending PCAL champ in the individual medley and was runner-up in the 100 breaststroke last year, helping the Pirates to the team championship.

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Editorial

Words of wisdom

THE TRUMP administration has its work cut out for it as it tries to pare back the vast amounts of waste and fraud that have long been bureaucracy-as-usual in the nation's capital.

During his first term, former President Barack Obama called Washington "a place where tax dollars are often treated like Monopoly money, bartered and traded, divvied up among lobbyists and special interests." He also said it's a place "where waste — even billions of dollars in waste — is accepted as the price of doing business."

A situation almost as bad prevails in Sacramento, where politicians are just as eager as their federal counterparts to spend money they don't have. But there's a big difference between the two capitals: The state can't run a deficit. While in Washington, it's always an option just to print more cash, Gov. Gavin Newsom and his acolytes in the Legislature have spent so much, they're starting to run out of ways balance the books.

How did the situation get so bad?

During the Covid shutdowns, to cite one egregious example, California chose to pay unemployment claims without verifying that the people getting the money were eligible. According to the Sacramento Bee, the state's unemployment agency "potentially overpaid an estimated \$55 billion," much of it borrowed from the federal government, which now wants its money back.

Citing the debt to Washington as one of many problems, the state Legislative Analyst's Office describes the California unemployment insurance system as "broken," not only because of the billions lost during Covid, but because ongoing deficits in the system are expected to average \$2 billion per year for the next five years — a situation the auditor called "unprecedented." Paying for those deficits requires a 500 percent increase in the unemployment insurance tax on businesses, the analyst's office said.

And then there's the state's colossal spending on programs to reduce homelessness — money that only seems to make the situation worse. According to the L.A. Times, "an estimated \$24 billion has been spent in recent years, yet the homeless population in California continues to grow." Audits have revealed poor tracking of funds, with little evidence of effective outcomes like permanent housing. Critics argue that money is funneled into temporary solutions or mismanaged programs without addressing the root causes, the newspaper said.

Let's not forget high-speed rail, which was approved by voters based on a promise that the San Francisco-to-Los Angeles route would be completed by 2020 at a cost of \$33 billion. Since those innocent days, projected costs have ballooned to more than \$105 billion, with the first phase — and by that, we mean the easy phase, through the flat San Joaquin Valley — not expected to be finished until 2029. Delays and mismanagement have led to billions in federal and state funds being spent with little tangible progress on the project, often referred to as a "train to nowhere," according to ABC News.

Public schools are another good example of billions spent with little to show for them. Per-pupil outlays in the state have increased sharply and have reached \$22,000 per year, while test scores have been flat or even declined since 2015.

And how about the state's program to provide free healthcare to immigrants who are in the country illegally. This gem of an idea, which was implemented at the beginning of 2024, was predicted to cost \$3 billion in its first year. Surprise! Actual outlays turned out to \$9.5 billion — and that number is sure to get much larger, not only because medical costs always increase more than predicted, but because the free healthcare program's number of potential customers — that is, poor people from around the world — is essentially unlimited.

Noting the problems California is having with its mismanaged unemployment insurance program, Oklahoma Gov. Kevin Stitt encouraged businesses to abandon California in favor his state and its lower taxes.

"Payroll tax hikes to cover up government spending in California are crazy," said Stitt on social media. "Oklahoma is open for business. Come to a state where you're not on the hook for the state's financial mismanagement."

That sounds tempting, but we'd rather stay here and have the politicians in Sacramento start heeding Barack Obama and stop spending money they don't have.

BEST of BATES



Letters to the Editor

The Pine Cone encourages submission of letters which address issues of public importance. Letters cannot exceed 350 words, and must include the author's name and home town. We reserve the right to determine which letters are suitable for publication.

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Outsourcing a bad idea Dear Editor,

I believe police services are personal and community-focused — much more so than fire or ambulance (which are only for emergencies). If our village considers outsourcing police services, what wouldn't we need in our police station?

We'd still insist and pay for 24/7 local services and presence. Would this approach save us scarce budget dollars? And on the police building planning side, for example, would we no longer need evidence and interviewing rooms? I think we would. Depending on the defined level of service(s) in an outsourcing arrangement, the more the facilities meet the needs of this team, the more they will want to be assigned to our village for coverage and services, even on a rotation basis.

If we are to consider outsourcing in some fashion:

■ Could they handle animal services? Our village is especially dog-friendly. Isn't

this a big ask?

- Could they handle parking management? As of now, we have only moderate-to-low enforcement coverage for this important and challenging part of our village.
- Could we rely on this new approach for the collaboration/planning of our local events as we do today?
- How might this new model deal with our current VIP team and logistics?
- How might this new model engage with our CERT team and logistics?

Carmel is very blessed with local police services, which we pay for in our taxes. And is or isn't it true that as residents we are OK to pay for this level of service? I think we are OK with this as a priority.

Our village is also known (by visitors, businesses and residents) to be safe and have low crime rates. Forces beyond our control have a lot to do with crime, but our great, dedicated team in blue helps secure this reputation. And we need to keep it that

I do not believe we should alter the course for assessing the requirements for rebuilding our police facilities due to the possibility of outsourcing. Based on what I'm hearing from the community, outsourcing is not an acceptable option. And this possibility would unacceptably delay decision-making for the police building.

Nancy Twomey, Carmel

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She wasn't 'destined for college' but now she teaches at one

LINDSAY PEELMAN sits in her Monterey Peninsula College office, a modest space that houses artifacts of who she is, like plants and photos and handmade ceramics, as well as an impressive collection of framed degrees. Among them are an associate's degree in business administration from Delaware Technical Community College, a bachelor's in organizational management from Wilmington University, a master's in business education from Ball State University in Indiana, and a doctorate in education leadership and innovation from New York University.

Peelman grew up in Maryland, about 45 minutes outside of Baltimore. Her father was a grocery store worker who bought and "flipped" cars on the side to earn money to take his family on vacations.

Destiny?

"I grew up in an area that wasn't overly affluent," she said. "There was money, but we were the poor people. My parents split up when I was in ninth grade. I went to a tech school and got my license to cut hair so I could make money to put myself through college. My brother and sister were supposed to become a doctor and a lawyer. My parents said I was the underachiever who was not destined for college."

On a typical day, after finishing up classes and counseling a student on how to be more organized,

more resourceful, and more confident they have the right and the reason to be in college, this "underachiever" will attend one more department strategy meeting and then collect her two teen daughters to help sell Girl Scout cookies on behalf of the troop she leads.

"I have been running the Girl Scout troop for years," she said. "I appreciate working with the older girls to inspire community service, achievement and

self-confidence, and to see them all the

way through scouting to earn the Gold

To earn that highest achievement in Girl

Scouts, girls must study a community issue

they find meaningful and assemble a team

to take it on by organizing and implement-

ing a project that will have a lasting effect

local community college because she'd

heard it would offer a solid foundation

and because she could save money — and

Peelman started out as a student at a

on their communities.

Great Lives

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

put some aside from work — to finish her degree at a university.

While attending Delaware Technical Community College, I met Jill Biden, who was teaching English there and working on her doctorate in educational leadership at the University of Delaware. This was the first time I was exposed to a woman who was working on her doctorate. I also noticed that she helped everyone feel good about themselves. I made note of that.'

Peelman worked at J. Crew plus Bath & Body Works, ultimately doing technical troubleshooting for Comcast. Coworkers



PHOTO/COURTESY LINDSAY PEELMAN

Lindsay Peelman, Ph.D., started out in beauty school, but was inspired to teach by former first lady Jill Biden.

told her she'd make more money doing

'When Comcast Digital Voice came out, I got tapped to work on that with my future husband, Jim Peelman, who had created it. He was there, troubleshooting.'

Ramping it up

with his company. Yet she believed she had worked too hard to study education and needed to teach, helping students grasp the opportunities she had worked so hard to create for herself.

Armed by then with her master's degree, she applied to teach at Monterey Peninsula

"Full-time teaching positions are hard

Peelman soon realized she knew noth-

JUST IMAGINE WHAT'S UP THAT STAIRCASE — OR MAYBE DON'T

By DENNIS TAYLOR

WE CANNOT hear the creak of the old wooden floorboards in those shadowy rooms Nikki Hoff creates with her charcoal pencils, but suspect the sound might crawl

We can only imagine what awaits at the kids," she said, speaking of her daughters,

end of the dark hallway, but know we'd

need courage to wander down there. And

that cat staring back from her perch atop

the old, overstuffed sofa, partially illumi-

nated by the antique wall lamp ... what has

we thought we heard from the top of the

stairs? Who's up there? Norman Bates?

Creating a mystery

to wonder who lived there, what hap-

pened there. What's the story behind that

place?" said Hoff, who shows her intri-

cately detailed drawings alongside calm-

ing acrylic and watercolor cityscapes

and seascapes at Reflections Elegante in

see them in my head before I make them,"

said the artist, who will show a charcoal

rendering entitled "The Loft" from May 15

through Aug. 31 at the Monterey Museum

of Art Biennial Exhibition, a show that will

feature the work of 122 juried artists from

as a Sacramento teenager of using her

Hoff, a self-taught artist, dreamed

seven California counties.

"All of my rooms are imaginary — I

"I like to create a mystery. I want you

Norma Desmond? Edgar Allen Poe?

Dare we investigate the subtle thud

she seen?

Monterey.

Carmel's Artists

imagination and natural talents in architecture. She went instead to real estate school and enjoyed a successful 10-year career as an agent.

"I liked it, but then I had a couple of

now 14 and 16. "And when they got a little bit older, I finally decided, 'OK, I'm going to do me now. I want to go get an art degree."

Less than a year ago, Hoff finally turned her focus

to art. She's a full-time student, five days a week, at Monterey Peninsula College, with plans to enroll as a fine arts major this fall at CSU Monterey Bay.

'Hardwired differently'

Two months ago, a visiting couple bought two of her prints — a moment of validation. "They sent me a picture of my art on a wall of their home, which felt pretty great," she said.

Reflections, her first gallery, has about a dozen of her pieces, mostly paintings, and her work also is on exhibit at three local eateries: Osteria Al Mare and Piccolo — both on the Coast Guard Pier — and Woody's at the Monterey Regional Airport.

She's a member of the Central Coast Art Association, where she volunteers as the event director.

'I really didn't know much about the Monterey Peninsula before I moved here," she said. "I fell in love with the beauty right away, of course, and it's wonderful to be able to engage with so many artists, find out what kind of work they do and talk to them about how their brains work. My brain is hardwired a little differently, so I learn a lot."

Like her charcoal sketches, Hoff's paintings also titillate the viewer's curiosity, leaving much unsaid, encouraging speculation.

Gets lost

Her soft-palette impressionist-style village scenes feature no vehicles, no people. Her beaches are pristine and unpopulated. Almost all of the venues will be recognizable to locals.

A watercolor series she calls "Perspective" depicts baby animals — seagulls and bear cubs — seen through the eyes of their mothers.

"I've been drawing with charcoal all my life, but I've only been painting for about a year. I'm still trying to find my style," she said. "I paint from photographs, using my iPad for reference.

"I'll put on some music and just get lost. I don't want to stop, and won't even notice the time going

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internet installations and offered to show

When the Peelmans moved to California for his work, she was offered a position

to get," she said. "I applied to MPC's parttime pool, where you tread water until they call with a need. Eventually they did, and in time, I ramped it up to full time."

ing of her Latino students' cultural background. She took Spanish classes and

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Hoff's charcoals are always created from left to right, so the right-handed artist can avoid smudging the work with her hand or arm. Adding shadowing, shading and tiny details brings out the magic. She likes to insert "Easter eggs" — surprises for the viewer to discover — like a dark painting on a staircase wall.

An eight-hour drawing

Her charcoal renderings begin with multiple sketches and typically take about eight hours, said Hoff, who has captured the entire process, step by step, in two high-speed five-minute tutorials she posted on YouTube and shared on her website

Of her newest piece, "Lost in Time," she said, "When I was trying to imagine a room from the 1800s, I had to do research."

"I tried to find out what wallpaper looked like in that era ... how chairs or candles or fireplaces were shaped.

"That was challenging," she recalled.

Hoff, who juggles her school schedule with part-time work, looks forward to days when she can devote more

time to her passion.
"I don't have time right now to create art every day,"

"I'll usually finish a piece, then wait a week or two and start another. When I'm not in school, I probably could do one or two pieces a week, if I wanted to."

In addition to the three-and-a-half-month Monterey Museum of Art Biennial, Hoff's work will be displayed May 2 through June 27 at Pacific Grove Art Center (568 Lighthouse Ave.), May 3 during a Mother's Day celebration at Reflections Elegante (271 Alvarado St.), April 28 through June 26 at Meals on Wheels (700 Jewell Ave., Pacific Grove), and through July at Woody's Restaurant (Monterey Regional Airport) and Piccolo restaurant (32 Cannery Row).

Images of her drawings, paintings and a sculpture, Ballerina, along with additional information can be found at nikkihoff.com.

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LETTERS

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Pine Cone have featured articles regarding forest management and wildfire. As a registered professional forester, I applaud The Pine Cone, as these are very timely issues for the Monterey Peninsula. Several of the people interviewed took issue with vegetation management. Fire agencies and academic institutions have been studying wildfire behavior for decades and have found three primary factors that influence fire behavior: fuels, weather and topography. These factors make up the fire triangle that most firefighters are trained to understand as a basic tenet of wildland fire behavior. The fuels leg of this fire triangle is the only factor that can be managed. Clearly weather and topography are critical factors, but both are unmanageable.

In order for communities located adjacent to forested landscapes to become fire-safe, (think Big Sur, Carmel Valley, Pebble Beach), managing fuel within forest and woodland ecosystems must be a key objective. Currently, these ecosystems have unnaturally high numbers of trees and dense understories (brush and shrubs). These concentrations of vegetation act as fire ladders, causing ground fires to reach the forest canopy, oftentimes resulting in a very dangerous and fast-moving crown fire. High concentrations of vegetation place both firefighters and the communities that they are trying to protect at very serious risk.

The primary reason for high concentrations of trees and brush is successful fire suppression activities over the last 100-plus years. California's forests and woodlands are fire-dependent ecosystems that for millennia experienced repeated fires. In place of these natural fires, we need to proactively reduce vegetation by creating shaded fuel breaks and on a selective, strategic basis reintroduce fire (aka prescribed fire). As the recent Palisades and Eaton fires demonstrate, time is of the essence.

Tad Mason, Carmel

The importance of pines Dear Editor,

In answer to a March 21 editorial, arguing that the Monterey pine is not threatened or rare and that it should be OK to cut it down without a permit, Brian LaNeve, Monterey Bay Chapter of California Native Plant Society president, explained that though the Monterey pine has been hybridized and is widely grown as a valuable timber crop throughout the world, in its three Coastal California native stands, it is considered rare and endangered by CNPS, primarily through urbanization. The genes of Monterey's Monterey pines and the Año Nuevo stand are those most used in these hybridized races, which growers call "radiata pine." According to conservation geneticist

Deborah Rogers, an expert on Monterey pine genetics, delineations in the CNPS rare plant program are considered the scientific litmus test of a plant's status in California and in federal agencies.

Quoting Rogers from her 2002 comments on the importance of using science-based information in the development of the Carmel Local Coastal Plan: "Although this CNPS system may be the most useful one because it is local, there are other classification systems internationally that also serve to alert us to species that may be declining and need assistance. Specialists in the International Union of Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources maintain a red list of species ... Monterey pine is classified in the list as 'conservation dependent,' meaning that if conditions worsen or the current conservation activities cease, it would likely become a threatened species within five years." Indeed, in 2011, the IUCN upgraded the threat to this valuable species to "rare and endangered."

In 1996, William Libby, professor emeritus of forest genetics at UC Berkeley, wrote of the ecological value of the native gene pools of Monterey pine and use of wood products produced from them: "The substitution of wood from radiata pine plantations for wood from tropical rainforests is perhaps the most effective and important positive environmental action being taken on earth in this decade."

Therefore, we on the Monterey Peninsula have a rare and valuable biological, aesthetic and genetic treasure in our trust. We are its stewards. Respect and science must guide us. It's the least we can do. We have already damaged much of its integrity. It is a fragile and complex ecological system and if it is treated carelessly and disrespectfully, we can harm it irreversibly.

Linda L. Smith, President, Monterey Pine Forest Watch

Objects to projects Dear Editor,

Your report on the approval of the J.B. Pastor building noted my lengthy intervention; I wrote a longer critique of the Ulrika development at Fifth and Dolores. Both papers focus on the approval process, which I perceive to be flawed.

In both cases, it was clear that staff and the planning commission did not understand that they can neither ignore nor change our zoning code, guidelines, or the policies of the General Plan — they must enforce them. For example, at Ulrika, they ignored the zoning code definition of "story" and a 24-foot height limitation to approve 30-foot, three-story buildings — code limit: two stories. They also failed to assess the development's impact on the historic Carmel Art Association gallery. There's more.

At Seventh and Dolores, they failed to establish that providing underground parking was impractical — a

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prerequisite to approving the in-lieu alternative. When the developer's representative was directly asked if it could be done, he avoided the question and said they would prefer a denial. During the commission's deliberations, the discussion ranged from "the city needs a parking plan," to "the in-lieu alternative is there for a purpose and we should use it." There's more.

As a planning commissioner for about six years and a councilmember for two, I can attest that these shortcomings are anomalies and that we can't afford them. The city's character depends on the strict enforcement of our excellent land-use laws and policies. If the enforcement process is flawed, the likelihood of an acceptable development is left to a developer's goodwill. The city council should step up to this challenge by providing guidance to staff and the commission and use their discretion to overturn these approvals before they can act as precedent for subsequent design approval applications.

Steve Hillyard, Carmel

'The never-ending pothole' Dear Editor,

It's hard to believe, but most residents around the corner of Monterey Street and Third Avenue have had to negotiate a giant pothole for as long as most of us can remember. Seems odd that it has been this way, considering both the county and city road crews are really very good at filling potholes. For some reason, this one has slipped by for years. Yes, years.

I have lived on Monterey Street for more than 13 years, and it has always been there. Originally, there was a big tree in that spot. It was in such a bad spot,

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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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large trucks could not make the turn. Eventually, the tree died. Someone came in and cut it down right at street level. For years the stump remained and the pothole around it grew. Then, a year or so ago, someone ground the stump out. Aha! Maybe they were going to fix it. Nope. Nobody came and the pothole grew even bigger. Residents have tried dumping sand and dirt into the hole,

but it washes out with each rain. Texts have been sent to both the county and city. So, what is the confusion? A possible issue is that the city/county line goes right down the middle of Monterey Street. Whose responsibility is it? How about someone being the bigger and just fixing the pothole?

D.L. Johnson, Carmel



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concerned about formula food, ADA access, and lots of very bright colors that were kind of carried over from the

other state's stores. This has been toned down." Commissioner Stefan Karapetkov, who missed the prior hearing, said he visited nearby businesses and learned they all like the idea of the new venture joining their block.

"They are all excited about having a specialty restaurant in that area, because there's nothing like that," he said. "It will be a good addition if we can solve the problems around water credits and restroom access."

The rest of the commission agreed, unanimously approving the permit, with those special conditions added. Commissioner Erin Allen was absent.

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District 1 Supervisor Luis Alejo noted that Addis' bill "doesn't address Moss Landing," and that it's intended for energy projects that have not yet been built. Alejo said the bill could have "unintended implications on state climate

District 2 Supervisor Glenn Church, whose district includes Moss Landing, was the only one of the five supervisors willing to fully support it.

"We are not asking for some radical change, we are just saying, 'go back and treat this as you treat all other utility projects,'" Church said.

'Usurping power'

The supervisor also decried what he said had been a statewide "trend" of Sacramento "usurping power from the local authorities," and said Addis' bill would help restore control by rescinding a program that allows battery-storage developers to bypass local governmental agencies and get direct approval from the California Energy Commission.

District 5 Supervisor Kate Daniels said that while California must "get off fossil fuels," renewable-energy facilities must be safe.

"We have all experienced what should have never happened," Daniels said, referring to the January Vistra fire at the Moss Landing power plant.

Alejo motioned to postpone taking a position on Addis' bill until there is more information on it, including a thorough analysis of its implications.

The motion passed 4-1.

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by and identified by the truck owner. For this conduct, Anguiano was convicted of assault by means of force likely to cause great bodily injury and vandalism.

March 4 — Vincent Camacho, 43, was sentenced to four years in the California Department of Corrections by Hon. Andrew G. Liu for inflicting corporal injury on a cohabitant.

On Nov. 14, 2021, at approximately 2:38 p.m., Monterey Police Department officers responded to a report of a female screaming near Van Buren Street. When the officers arrived, they found Vincent Camacho outside with a towel around his waist. Jane Doe explained that they had been drinking in their apartment when Camacho became irate and began striking her in the head with his fist.

During the altercation, Camacho allegedly threatened to kill her and threw a television at her. Doe stated that Camacho continued to punch her and covered her mouth with his hand, causing her to be unable to breathe.

Camacho was originally granted felony probation in 2022. However, Camacho committed multiple violations of probation. Most recently, Camacho was found in violation of probation for failing to report to probation and testing positive for controlled substances. As a result, the court imposed a four-year prison sentence.

March 4 — Tony Barrios, 30, was sentenced to 18 years and four months in prison by Hon. Andrew G. Liu for assault with a deadly weapon in which he inflicted great bodily injury, as well as criminal threats where he personally used a deadly weapon.

On Aug. 31, 2023, at approximately 4 a.m., Salinas Police Department officers responded to a report of a stabbing in progress. When the officers arrived, they were able to detain Barrios and found an 8-inch kitchen knife in his pants pocket. Barrios' roommate was found with a laceration to his abdomen and was treated by paramedics. The victim explained that Barrios stabbed him in the torso when he opened the backyard gate to the residence. The victim closed the gate and went back into the home.

During the investigation, officers learned that Barrios had also threatened his mother one day earlier. Barrios' mother explained that Barrios walked into her room, holding a knife in his hand, and told her he was going to kill her. Barrios' mother was able to close the door behind him and locked it once he left. Barrios' sentence was enhanced because he had previously suffered a prior strike conviction within the meaning of California's three strikes law.





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courses on the Latino experience in California. This became the catalyst for her to pursue her Ph.D., part of which involved researching the educational dynamics of the underserved student.

"I knew I wanted to research Latino students, yet not do so without a firm understanding of what their culture means and what has been happening," she said, adding she wanted to avoid the notion she was a "white savior" telling them what they needed. "I needed to figure out how to partner with them in their education," she recalled.

Covid, college, cookies

During the pandemic, Peelman did research for her Ph.D. and tried to help her third- and fifth-grade daughters learn, while teaching her MPC classes remotely and striving to give her students a quality education — all via Zoom

In the meantime, she was developing an internship program for MPC students, running a computer work-experience program through Loaves, Fishes and Computers, a nonprofit in Salinas that repurposes people's used electronics. She served on the board of directors for Carmel Youth Center, ran the Girl Scout troop and sold cookies, all behind masks and gloves.

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the relationship skills I'd gained at MPC. Knowing I was qualified to become a business instructor, I prepared a 20-page proposal to create a full-time position. It took a year for it to push through, and I knew if I created the position and someone else got hired, I was putting myself out of a job. It was a gamble."

She got the job.

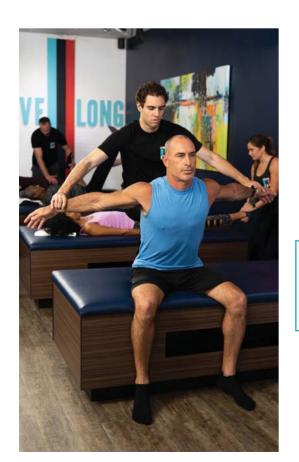
In addition to teaching at MPC, Peelman took on the role of education coordinator to help students get the classes they need and want. She said she updated 42 classes in 14 programs to make them more relevant and achieved state approval for her work. She also has developed new approaches to business classes, among them her "Taylor Swift" course, focused on women in business breaking the glass ceiling.

"Taylor Swift and Olivia Rodrigo and Beyonce have achieved all their recognition and made their money by not only being able to sing," said Peelman, "but because they are savvy businesswomen who have created and projected their brands. In community colleges, students typically don't have the fun classes they do at big-name colleges, like 'poetry through Harry Potter's Library.' We need to help students think outside the traditional curriculum."

These days, Peelman is developing a course to teach students how to present themselves, how to socialize and behave in the workplace, plus the unwritten rules of developing a resume.

"My long-term goal involves my dream project, to create the MPC School of Business. Our business program is so big." Now, she believes, it's ready to expand. "All my projects began as dreams," she said.







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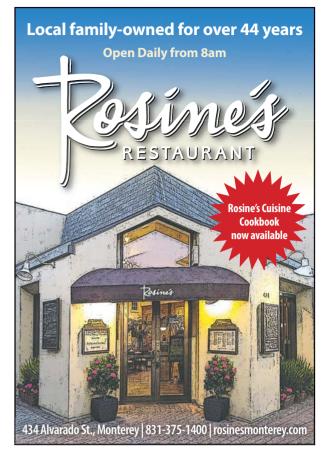
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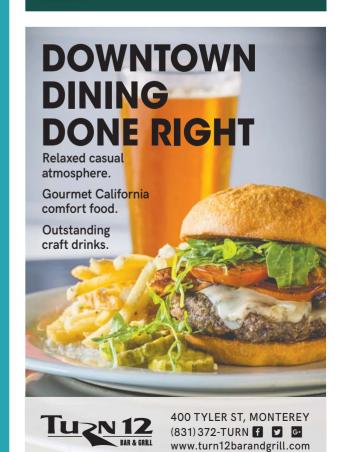
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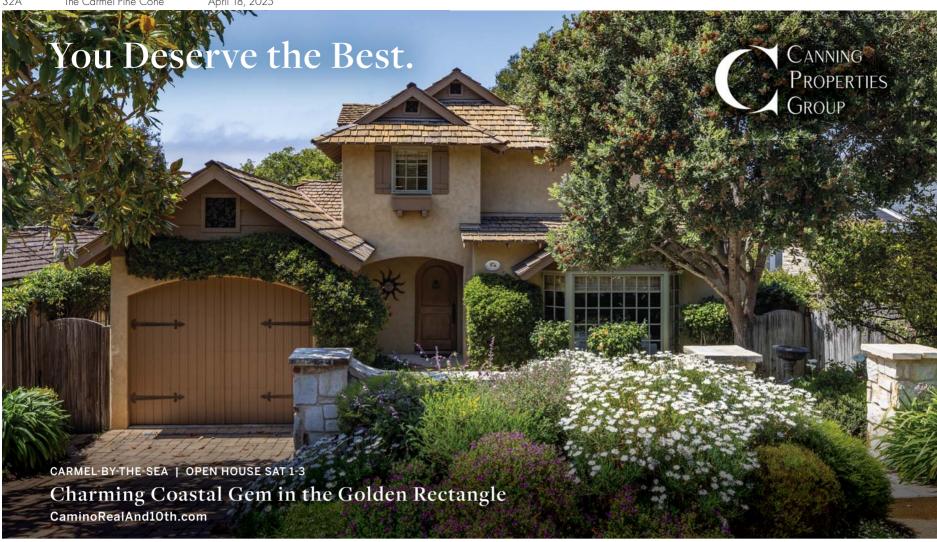
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- ↓ 27% less than 1Q 2024

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From plankton to art, summer camp is coming soon

By ELAINE HESSER

WHETHER IT'S day camp or sleepaway, campfires, swimming and s'mores are still to be had, but you might also find fiddles, Lego robots or stage makeup.

Summer camp is a respite for kids — a time to get messy, try new things and maybe even reinvent themselves — and for parents, too.

It's also where new friends communicate without typing, and lasting relationships and memories are often made of these meaningful summertime adventures.

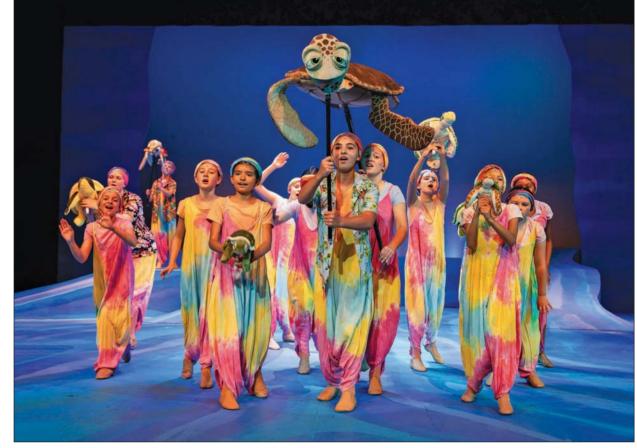
Joy of learning

Summer at Santa Catalina School in Monterey is accepting registration for day and sleepaway camps, including, for the first time, one just for boys.

Catalina C.U.B. (Courage, Unity and Brotherhood) Camp from July 14-18 offers boys entering grades four through eight "opportunities for adventure, skill-building, leadership development, and personal growth," organizers say. Visit santacatalina.org/cubcamp for details.

Cougar Camp — named for the school's mascot is for boys and girls entering kindergarten through sixth grade, with daily classes, group activities and local field trips. One-week sessions will be held Aug. 4-8 and 11-15. More info is at santacatalina.org/cougarcamp.

All-girls day and resident camp opportunities for grades three through nine are offered during three two-week sessions June 22 through Aug. 1, with a five-week musical theater program from June 22 through July 26. Classes include marine biology, art, dance, sports and more, plus outings to the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk and Monterey Farmers Market.



CAMP cont. page 37A Santa Catalina School's offerings include a theater program. Here, campers tackle a version of "Finding Nemo."

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Celebrating all the things that make the Monterey Peninsula special

By ELAINE HESSER

SURE, THERE'S plenty to do around the Monterey Peninsula out in nature, not to mention a heaping helpin' of golf courses. But Peninsula residents celebrate other things, too. Three days just for jade? We'll take it. Two weeks of classical music? We're in. Cars that can't even move on their own? Sure!

Welcome to The Pine Cone's annual listing of spring, summer and early autumn festivals.

Check each event's FAQs and security info — you may need to trade your designer bag for a clear plastic tote, for example. Policies also vary regarding pets, chairs, coolers, water bottles and, believe it or not, selfie sticks.

From funnel cakes to thistles, and Bach's music to bock beer, here's the roundup for 2025.

Looking back, chowing down

The Last Hometown's admission-free street fair, the **Good Old Days**, will be held May 3 and 4. The Kiwanis Club will start dishing up breakfast at 8 a.m. in Jewell Park Saturday, and the parade on Pine Avenue is at 10 a.m. The quilt show at Chautauqua Hall is always popular, as is the kids petting zoo at Park Street and Lighthouse Avenue.

Carnival rides will fill the streets along with dozens of vendors hawking everything from beautiful jewelry to fine art. Musical performances will be ongoing with multiple stages. Sunday, enjoy the firefighter challenge at 10 a.m., and don't forget to visit businesses along Lighthouse for some old-fashioned personal service. Learn more at pacificgrove.org.

May 23-25, the **Cali Roots Festival** (californiarootsfestival.com) at the Monterey Fairgrounds presents live performanc-

es of "reggae rock, island reggae, roots reggae, folk and conscious hip hop." This year's program includes Rising Appalachia, Michael Franti, Cypress Hill, Ziggy Marley, and E-40 — just a few of the dozens of scheduled performers.

Ticketholders can stroll the grounds, dance, shop, eat and drink, with plenty of vendors ready to serve them. This year, Saturday and Sunday morning yoga sessions by Salty Soul Yoga in Carmel will "start your festival mornings with intention, movement, and connection."

In addition to being the first certified green event in California, its website boasts, it's also raised money for diverse groups like Surf Rider Foundation, the Esselen Tribe of Monterey County, and Save Our Shores, among many others.

The Artichoke Festival (artichokefestival.org) turns 65 with this year's event June 14 and 15. It's moved to Salinas, to the Monterey County Sheriff's Posse Grounds at 395 Old Natividad Road. Organizers say there will be "truly something for everybody," with family-friendly activities and a farmers market featuring local fresh vegetables.

Also on tap are arts and crafts, commercial, nonprofit and food vendors, and the annual quilt competition.

Buy tickets online through May 15 for early bird pricing.

Going green means something different at Monterey's Custom House Plaza near Old Fisherman's Wharf on June 13-15—the third annual **Monterey Bay Jade Festival**. With more than 45 vendors from around the world selling exquisitely carved jewelry, small and large sculptures and slabs of raw jade, there's usually some-

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Celebrate the best of the United States with the California International Airshow Salinas (top) or Monterey's outdoor Fourth of July party (above).

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Track and Field Camp (7–13 yrs.) July 14–18

Basketball Camp (7–13 yrs.) July 21–25

Flag Football Camp (7–14 yrs.) June 16–20

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Whispering Pines Day Camp (5–9 yrs.) Weekly sessions offered M–F, June 16 – August 1

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Weekly sessions offered M–F, June 23 – August 1

Tiny Tots Summer Camp (3–5 yrs.) Monday–Friday, 3 hours per day June 2–27, June 30 – July 25

Playwell LEGO® Camps (5–12 yrs.) June 16–20, July 21–25, July 28 – August 1

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Sweat, tears, and wildflowers: Iconic triathlon makes a comeback

By LILY PATTERSON

REGRET MISSING Woodstock the first time around? There's always the "Woodstock of Triathlon," and organizers are busy pulling out all the stops for its homecoming to South Monterey County, May 2-4.

Long, strange trips may not be your thing, but, you're not that far from Lake San Antonio, where world-class endurance racing will mark the unofficial start of summer.

Add to that live music, wine tasting and yoga, and you're getting an idea of the race-plus-festival called the 2025 Wildflower Experience. Maybe it's the beautifully rugged and remote location, or maybe it's the "wellness experiences," but the three-day family- and pet-friendly festival does feel different.

A crown jewel of the U.S.A. Triathlon circuit for nearly 40 years, the iconic South County race returns after six years off, hamstrung by lake closures and the Covid-19 pandemic.

"Bringing back the Wildflower Experience after a hiatus feels like a heartfelt reunion," said event producer Colleen Bousman, a Salinas Valley native who is celebrating 20 years at the helm. Starting at age 10, Bousman witnessed her home county event draw world-class triathletes — 7,500 athletes and 40,000 spectators at peak turnout — to race the course her father, Terry Davis, established in 1983.

That Long Course event includes a 1.2-mile swim, 56-mile bike ride, and a 13.1-mile run scheduled for Saturday, drawing individual athletes and training clubs from across the country. The surrounding hills make Lake San Antonio a perfectly grueling amphitheater for the competition. Age brackets run from 19-and-under to 85-and-up, with podium awards for the top five men and women in each bracket.

"Lake San Antonio is unlike any other race venue, because it's remote, beautiful, and challenging, which means most athletes unplug and commit for the whole weekend, and that creates a powerful sense of camaraderie you don't get at other events," said Bousman.

Racers who prefer a rugged course can register for the Off-Road Gravel Sprint, also on Saturday, with higher speeds and tougher terrain over a quarter-mile swim, 10-mile ride and 2-mile run. Aspiring pros and college teams may opt for the Olympic Distance race on Sunday, which



PHOTO/WILDFLOWER EXPERIENCE

Triathlon organizers say Lake San Antonio in South Monterey County is "unlike any other race venue."

features a 1.5-kilometer swim, 40K ride and 10K run.

Other events may be more your speed, including 5K, 10K and 20K foot races, a 1.2-mile open-water swim, and a trail run. On-site paddleboard and kayak rentals are available, too. Morning and afternoon yoga classes are in the designated wellness area, just a few steps from the Wellness Spa, which includes massage stations.

Like summer camp

More than 60 triathlon clubs are registered for the 2025 race, Bousman added. It's not too late to sign up, but spots are filling up quickly. Registration is open to clubs and individuals via wildflowerexperience.com, where athletes can find course maps, schedules and pre-event checklists.

Most scheduled races wrap up by noon, leaving the

rest of the day to indulge in wine tasting, craft beers and good food. Take your provisions to the main stage for a lineup of live bluegrass, country and rock by local artists. Then explore the Wildflower Marketplace, where local artisans will set up shop and event sponsors will be on-site with product demos and training gear. A VIP experience is available, too, with full meals, Saturday night happy hour, and exclusive views of the race course.

"It feels like summer camp for grown-up athletes," said Bousman, who spent 25 years organizing marathons and triathlons from Malibu to Pacific Grove and Alcatraz Island before she returned to Bradley to carry on the legacy of the old Wildflower Triathlon.

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There will also three oneweek Mini Camps for girls entering grades two through five.

Girls entering grade nine can take part in Catalina CREW - Confident Resourceful Empowered Women — which will focus on leadership styles, communication skills and real-life experience planning and carrying out an all-camp program. The program runs concurrently with regular camp sessions and prepares students who want to during 10th grade.

Additional information and applications can be found at santacatalina.org/ summercamp.

Summer day camp at All Saints Day School (allsaintsdayschool.org) in Carmel Valley has options for children from as young as 3 through eighth grade.

Little Saints preschool summer camp is just for 3-year-olds. It goes from June 16 through Aug. 1, and children — who must be potty trained — can be enrolled in as many as seven one-week sessions. Morning and afternoon sessions include games and other activities.

In the same timeframe, kids in the Little Saints pre-kindergarten and kindergarten sessions with weekly themes including "Messy Painting" and "Celebrating America."

Kindergartners through eighth graders can join weekly sessions focused on ceramics, theater, art, drumming and more. Afternoon sessions run by Clover Camp for those 5 and older focus on sports, games and other activities.

Visit asds.org to read all about it or to

Stevenson School (summer.stevensonschool.org) has an assortment of day and residential camps for children and teens.



return as counselors-in-training Kayaking is part of the fun at Point Lobos' summer camp.

Kids who start kindergarten through fourth grade this fall can attend one or more six one-week sessions of Carmel Camp from June 23 to Aug. 1, with "a mix of academic exploration, arts and crafts, outdoor adventures and interactive workshops," according to Stevenson's website.

Pebble Beach Camp is for those entering grades five through eight and offers experiences tailored to students' grade levels. Two-week sleepaway sessions are offered alongside specialty residential camps focusing on entrepreneurship, and other topics, plus one for the Stevenson Language

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Get moving

The folks at Carmel Youth Center have full-day camp sessions weekly from June 9 through Aug. 1, each geared to kids 5 to 12 years old. Weekly themes include "Mother Earth," STEAM (STEM plus art), and "Music and Movement," with games, music and sports. Single-day drop-ins are also available.

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thing for every price range and taste. The event is free, but jade lovers likely won't go home empty-handed.

The Monterey Beer Festival at the Monterey Fairgrounds is scheduled for June 28 from 1 to 4 p.m., with VIP admission starting at noon. Live music will include The Money Band and other acts to be announced. Vendors and food trucks will be on hand, with beer tasting from as many as 40 breweries. VIP ticketholders will also be able to do a spirits tasting in the first hour. Discounted designated driver tickets are available, but all attendees must be 21 or older.

Independence is golden

On July 4, 1776, California was still part of Spain and the mission system was being created. In 1847 — three years before statehood — Los Angeles saw the state's first Fourth of July celebration. We've been celebrating the holiday ever since, and the Peninsula knows how to party.



Blake Shelton headlines the Salinas rodeo's kick-off concert.

Carmel's annual Independence Day observance in Devendorf Park will start at 10 a.m., with a performance by the Monterey County Pops slated for 2 p.m. Pacific Grove's Downtown Celebration goes from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Jewell Park, with a reading of the Declaration of Independence, and the National Anthem, plus a medley of armed forces anthems performed by Monterey Peninsula Voices. Monterey's festivities get underway with the Monterey Firefighters Charity Pancake Breakfast at Station 11 on Pacific Street from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. In addition to food, there will be kid-friendly activities, music and a chance to meet local firefighters and sit in a firetruck. Proceeds benefit Monterey County Youth Museum.

Then, watch the 10 a.m. parade along Alvarado Street while working up an appetite for the Big 4th of July Celebration & Food Fest at Colton Hall from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Bring a picnic or purchase food on site and enjoy live entertainment will by The Pfeffers, Pure Ecstasy, The Money Band, and Neon Velvet. From there, you can stroll to the 4th of July on Monterey's Fisherman's Wharf, with patriotic decorations, sales on candy, food and beverage specials, and festively clad characters for photo ops.

The **Del Monte Kennel Club** (dmkc. org) is having its 101st anniversary with an all-breed show and, obedience and rally trials July 11-13 at Carmel Middle School. In addition to exhibiting a wide variety of perfectly groomed show dogs, other competitions give canines a place to exhibit good manners and teamwork with human partners.

Tickets for the **Carmel Bach Festival** (bachfestival.org) are on sale. The theme for the 88th season from July 12-26 is "Dialogues," promising to spark "conversations between artists and audiences," and more, according to the festival brochure. Scheduled performances include Bach's Mass in B Minor, "A Midsummer Night's



The Good Old Days street fair transforms downtown P.G. into a family fun park every year.

Dream," Mozart's Requiem and dozens more, with chamber music, organ recitals, and individual performances.

All kinds of mustangs

The 114-year-old **California Rodeo Salinas** is July 17-20. Country music's Blake Shelton, also known for "The Voice," will perform at the kickoff concert on June 27, and the rodeo carnival opens July 11. There will be bull riding, barrel racing, calf roping and lots of other cowboy competitions, along with the Kiddie Kapers (July 13) and daily horse parades. Check out the food vendors and shop for themed merchandise. Visit carodeo.com for more information.

Friday, Aug. 8, kicks off 10 days of **Car Week**. The 74th edition of the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance is scheduled for Aug. 17, but that's not all.

You can see old junkers, tiny cars, fancy auctions and plenty of shopping. Spend anywhere from zero — there are lots of free events — to thousands. Pebblebeach-concours.net provides the information you

need about the venerable car show at Pebble Beach, while seemonterey.com focuses on many other events sprawled across the Monterey Peninsula.

The annual Monterey County Wine-makers' Celebration will be held this year on Dolores Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenue, and Seventh from Dolores to San Carlos, on Aug. 23. Guests can sample dozens of local wines and discuss their finer points with winemakers and growers, while local chefs offer their best small bites. The event is sponsored by Monterey County Vintners & Growers (montereywines.org).

Sand City is more than just Costco. Check out the lively outdoor art show Aug. 23-24, when the **Sand City West End Celebration** takes over. There will be wine, beer, food and more than 100 artists selling paintings, sculptures, fine art photographs and multimedia works suitable for a variety of tastes and budgets. If you can't arrive early, consider biking or busing —

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The City of Monterey has an abundance of camp opportunities available in June and July. Tiny Tots (3 to 5 years) convene Monday through Friday for three hours of daily play. For kids ages 5 to 10, playgrounds at Hilltop, Via Paraiso and Casanova will host supervised recreation-

Playwell Lego Camps are two-week sessions designed for builders ages 5 to 12, and summer art camps for those 7 to 13 are also available.

Whispering Pines day camp offers weekly full-day sessions for those 5 to 9 and special-needs campers up to age 12. Kids will hike, learn camping skills, outdoor cooking and folk-dancing, and make craft projects.

Camp Quien Sabe at Toro Park provides a variety of traditional experiences for those ages 7 to 11. They spend a week sleeping outside under the stars, swim, hike, and learn nature lore. The Environmental Team (age 12), emphasizes ecology, and the Work Experience program (ages 13-15), gives teens a regular camping experience, but includes two hours a day working on projects to improve Toro Park under counselors' supervision.

The city also has sports camps for athletes in beach volleyball, soccer, track and field, basketball and flag football, as well as Imagine Dance Camp for 4-to-8-year-olds.

Learn more at Monterey.org/rec.

Defying gravity

Ballet, musical theater, jazz, hip hop and probably any other steps your kids want to take are taught at Dance Center Carmel. From June 2 through Aug. 1, its camps offer instruction geared to dancers age 2 1/2 and older. Morning and afternoon weekly sessions are available.

Topics and themes include ballet conditioning, hip hop and acrobatics, "Cinderella Ballet," "Jurassic Park: Dinosaurs and Their Ancestors," "Wicked," and many more. Already looking forward to Christmas? There are prep sessions for roles in the "Nutcracker."

Visit dancecarmel.com/summer-camp-schedule to choreograph your summer.

PacRep's SoDA (School of Dramatic Arts) invites young actors, dancers and musicians to register for summer offerings at the historic Forest Theater. Thespians ages 4 to 7 learn basics of singing, acting and dancing at Tiny Tots Triple Threat camp. Organizers note, "With an emphasis on teamwork and creativity, children will gain valuable skills that will help them shine both on and off

the stage."

In Film Camp for 8-to-13-year-olds, participants create a short movie. "Sing Out!" is a music camp for grades three through 12, where kids will explore various genres, work on overcoming stage fright and more.

Audition Boot Camp for grades two through 12 is a place to learn how to conquer nerves during auditions. Former Radio City Rockette Palmer Davis will lead a dance portion.

What would theater camp be without a callback to the Great White Way? "Broadway Baby: Intro to Musical Theatre" (led by Davis and Broadway "creative" Christiana Meeks) is for first through fifth graders, exposing them to singing, working together, and learning about character, rhythm and stage presence.

For those entering grades five through 12,

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Carmel Youth Center gathers kids for weeklong day camps.



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"Musical Bootcamp: World of 'Wicked," will also use music, choreography and characters as presented in "The Wizard of Oz" and "The Wiz."

There are just too many other options to mention, but you can go to pacrep.org for more direction.

Big Sur Fiddle Camp, offered this year from June 22 to 29, is an annual event that brings "30 to 50 students, all strings and all ages, to a coastal farm for one week to be part of special gatherings of musicians."

It's open to students ages 11 and older who have at least two years' experience playing their primary stringed instrument. Days start with farm chores, yoga, stretching, walking and breakfast, followed by music sessions, lunch and activity/rest periods.

At the end of the week, campers put on a community concert.

A weeklong half-day introductory Fireflies program for youngsters 4 to 8 requires no musical experience.

Go to bigsurfiddlecamp.org for more

information and to register.

The Monterey Jazz Festival's day camp for middle and high school vocalists and instrumentalists will nurture jamming juveniles from June 23-27 at Stevenson

All musicians are welcome to apply except for saxophone players. No one dislikes them, but the saxophone class is already full. For more information and to register, visit montereyjazz.org/education/ programs/summer-jazz-camp.

Artsy stuff

The Monterey Museum of Art plans six one-week programs from 9 to noon daily starting June 9, with activities for kids 5 through 12. Ages and topics vary by week and include lots of building with Legos as well as art from nature. Organizers paint a rosy picture at montereyart.org.

The Lyceum of Monterey County has weekly day camps serving primarily kids 11-14 beginning June 9.

Programs like collage art, robotics with Legos and Space Explorers, and scientific illustration offer rich learning opportunities. All sessions are planned for The Lyceum at 1073 Sixth St., Monterey. To see the details, visit lyceum.org.

First Night Monterey (firstnightmonterey. org) is more than a great New Year's Eve party. It supports six five-day sessions of day camp for artists and makers ages 7 to 16 at Archer Park Community Center, 542 Archer St., Monterey. Early bird pricing is available until April 30.

Scheduled for June 9 through July 26, "Our

projects are targeted and age-specific for each week. Makers sessions are targeted for older students and may include maker projects: cooking, sewing, screen-printing, yarn crafts," organizers explain. The artist-led workshops go from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., with early and late supervision avail-



Kids with asthma can have safe summer fun, too.

Beginning June 9, the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History (pgmuseum. org) offers four one-week day camps from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays for kids who will start classes in kindergarten through fifth grade this fall. Campers from third

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parking is pretty tight.

Fall fun

The Monterey County Fair goes from Aug. 28 through Sept. 1. Stroll the cacophonous midway with its attractions vying for attention, take in some live entertainment, or hop on some carnival rides. Visit the livestock judging and the heated competitions for blue ribbons among cooks, artists and crafters in various buildings on the grounds. Tickets are already on sale (montereycountyfair.com/fair-tickets), with all-day ride wristbands, and while the rodeo events are free with fair admission on Friday and Saturday, you'll need separate, paid tickets to get in on Sunday.

Festa Italia (festaitaliamonterey.org) will be at the Custom House Plaza in Monterey from Sept. 5 through 7. The 92-yearold event begins by honoring Santa Rosalia, patron saint of Palermo, Sicily — home to the ancestors of many of Monterey's longtime fishing families — with a procession, followed by the blessing of the fleet. That leads to eating, drinking, songs and dancing. If you want a parking sign marking your driveway "For Sicilians Only," or to listen to live music and dance, or watch a competitive bocce tournament while balancing a plate of cannoli and a glass of wine, this is the place to be.

The Monterey Jazz Festival will be 68 this year, with plenty of fresh performances and music to complement the more familiar talent that's been an event staple. From Sept. 26-28, you can hear dozens of artists — the roster so far includes Trombone Shorty, Christian McBride, the Arturo O'Farrill Afro Latin Jazz Ensemble and more. To see the full roster as it becomes available and to purchase tickets, visit monterevjazzfestival.org.

The U.S. Navy Blue Angels will soar over the California International Airshow Salinas Oct. 4-5. You'll also be able to see a jet truck, classic planes with historic tributes, and various aerobatic artists. For more sedate entertainment, check out the static displays around the ground. File your flight plan at salinasairshow.com.

Monarchs return to Pacific Grove each

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fall for a winter stopover in a eucalyptus grove just off Lighthouse Avenue. To welcome them, go see the annual Pacific Grove Butterfly Parade on Oct. 4 at 10 a.m. on Lighthouse Avenue. Some of the costumed schoolchildren probably have parents with pictures of themselves at that age, in similar gear for the same parade.

Old Fisherman's Wharf (montereywharf.com) turns 180 this year. Join the crowd there for a birthday party to mark the occasion on Oct. 12 from 1 to 5 p.m. Festivities are emceed by radio personality David Marzetti, a birthday cake will be served, and local police and firefighters will bring a firetruck, offer giveaways and share safety tips. The Money Band's jams will set the mood.

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Christiana Meeks

M-F: 7/21 - 8/1

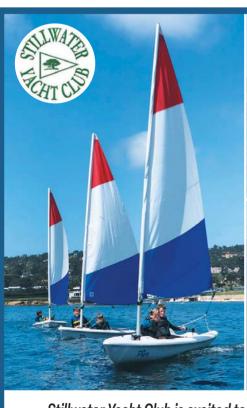
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Instructor: Christiana Meeks M-F: 6/9 - 6/20 TIME: 10A - 12P **GRADES: 3 - 12** M-F· 7/7 - 7/18 TIME: 10A-12P

GRADES: 3 - 12

TIME: 3P-6P AGES: 8 - 13

Instructor: Christiana Meeks M-F: 6/16-6/20 TIME: 3P - 5P

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through fifth grade can learn about things like "All the Ologies," an exploration of eight scientific fields.

"Nocturnal Ecology" covers things that go bump in the night, and "Field Science" offers three days of exploration focusing on marine and forest ecology.

Younger campers (kindergarten through third grade) can learn about being scientists. They can also study forest communities, space exploration, dinosaurs, ocean environments and critters found in the backyard.

Several sessions already have waitlists, so if you see something you like, head right over to pgmuseum.org.

Point Lobos Summer Adventures at the "crown jewel" of the state park system has two sessions for 8-to-12-year-olds followed by one for those ages 13 to 15. Sessions 1 and 2 are weekdays from June 16-27 and July 7-18. July 21-25 lets older campers enjoy their own outdoor escapades. Previous year's highlights included kayaking, whale watching, hiking and art projects. Registration is first-come, first-serve at parks.ca.gov/?page_id=27276 or at Eventbrite.com.

The ever-popular **Animal Camp** at **SPCA Monterey County**, where kids ages 7 to 12 "develop an understanding of

the shelter environment and a respect for all animals," offers multiple one-week sessions between June 9 and July 25. Kids can learn about animal-related jobs from SPCA humane investigators, wildlife rescue and rehabilitation technicians and animal care staff, plus hikes, lessons in animal safety, and other animal activities.

Visit spcamc.org, where there's a popup link to animal camp info and registration, or find the camps under the "Programs & Resources" tab.

Camp SEA Lab lets kids 8 to 16 learn more about marine science with weeklong day camps along the shores of Monterey Bay and beyond. Sessions begin in June and continue through early August.

"Stewards of the Sea" is for those 10 to 15, combining surfing and snorkeling with exposure to careers in marine science and a visit to the Monterey Bay Aquarium.

"Beach Biology and Breakers," for 8-to-13-year-olds, focuses on the environment from the sandy shore "to the breakers and beyond," with surfing basics, whale-watching, kayaking, boogie-boarding, shore bird observations and marine conservation activities. "Ocean Forest Odyssey" takes 8-to-13-year-olds snorkeling, kayaking, and exploring tide pools. Kids in all three programs must know how to swim.

Take the plunge at campsealab.org.

Tennis basics

Carmel Valley Athletic Club has the answer to too much time online and texting. Youth 5 to 8 who go to CVAC's Kids' Camp can enjoy one-week sessions with themes like "Mad Science" and "Safari and Nature."

Tennis Camp is for kids 5 to 11 who want to focus on the game's fundamentals, like balance, agility and coordination. Both camps run from June 9 to Aug. 1. Visit evaconline. com to register.

Kids ages 6 to 12 with mild to severe asthma can enjoy summer camp safely. Salinas Valley Health is hosting its annual Mark Velcoff M.D. Asthma

Camp from July 21-25 at Monterey Park Elementary School in South Salinas. For four decades, the camp has allowed youth with asthma to go hiking, swimming and play soccer, all with medical supervision from healthcare professionals. Campers also learn more about what triggers their

SPCA Monterey County's Animal Camps are always popular.

asthma and the importance of medications they take, along with how asthma affects their bodies.

Aside from a nominal registration fee, costs are covered by donations to the camp. Visit bit.ly/3PWQpda for more information.

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If a day pass leaves you wanting more, a camping pass includes festival fees and is available for stays anytime Thursday through Sunday. Bring your tent and gear, hook up the RV, or let the Wildflower Experience take care of pitching, styling and packing your accommodations by reserving a luxury tent or RV rental.

According to Bousman, "As evening falls, the campsite transforms into a com-

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munal gathering space. Campfires light up, music fills the air, and participants share stories of their day's experiences."

Come this year as a spectator, and perhaps you'll find yourself at the starting line next year.

"The event has its own culture. It attracts people who are up for a challenge and who value the joy and grit that comes with it," said Bousman.

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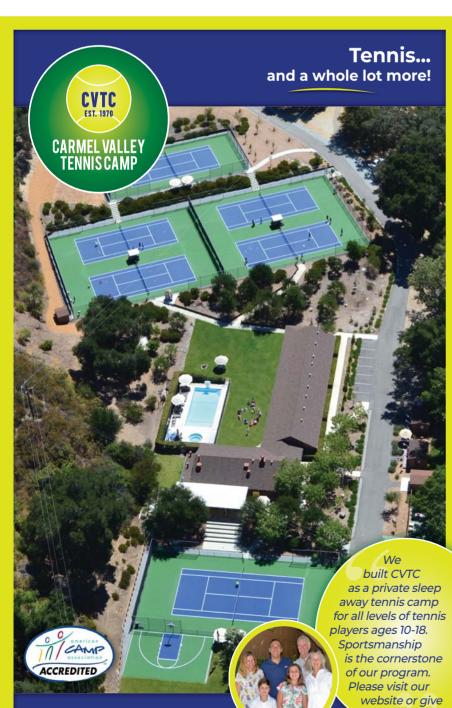
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Band celebrates the music of Amy Winehouse at Golden State

TAKING ITS name from one of the late singer's more memorable cover songs, Valerie pays tribute to Amy Winehouse Saturday, 7 p.m., at Golden State Theatre in Monterey.

Winehouse was a six-time Grammy Award-winner before her passing in 2011 at just 27. One of her most popular songs, a cover of the Zutons' "Valerie" with Mark

On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

Ronson, peaked at No. 2 on the UK pop charts. The song also inspired the name of the tribute band Valerie, which is based in Santa Cruz. Fronted by singer Elsa Cedeno who captures Winehouse's "raw emotional power and



The Sand Box in Sand City welcomes Vietnamese guitarist An Tran, who offers a recital Monday at 7 p.m.

signature style" — the band "pays sincere homage to one of the most influential and distinctive voices of the 21st century."

Tickets start at \$49. The theater is located at 417 Alvarado St. Call (831) 649-1070 or visit goldenstatetheatre.com.

■ Guitarist offers recital

An award-winning classical guitarist from Vietnam, An Tran gives a recital Monday, 7 p.m., at the Sand Box in Sand City. The performance is presented by the Carmel Guitar Society.

A guitar professor at three universities in Illinois, Tran has won top prizes at the Berlin International Guitar Competition and the New Orleans International

Guitar Competition. He's also the co-founder and artistic director of Chicago Artopia, a nonprofit dedicated to "making art accessible to everyone." Michelle Diokic urged locals to check out the gifted instrumentalist. "The acoustics of the Sand Box are especially kind to guitarists," she noted.

Tickets are \$40, with discounts for students and active military. The Sand Box is located at 440 Ortiz Ave. sandboxsandcity.com.

■ Reinventing ragtime

Taking the music of the 1920s and infusing it with a beat from the 21st century. Parlor Tricks plays Fernwood Resort in Big Sur Saturday at 10 p.m.



Paying tribute to the late singer Amy Winehouse, Santa Cruz's Valerie takes the stage Saturday, 7 p.m., at the Golden State Theatre in Monterey.

Led by singer Melina Salverson, the San Francisco-based band serves up a danceable mix of "swing and jazz standards, vaudeville hits, and bluesy originals." "Parlor Tricks is the world's first and foremost industrial ragtime band, a hot-music quartet led with sultry vocals, resonator guitar, upright bass and horn or drums," reads the band's website.

The music starts at 10 p.m. Fernwood is located at 47200 Highway 1. Fernwoodbigsur.com.

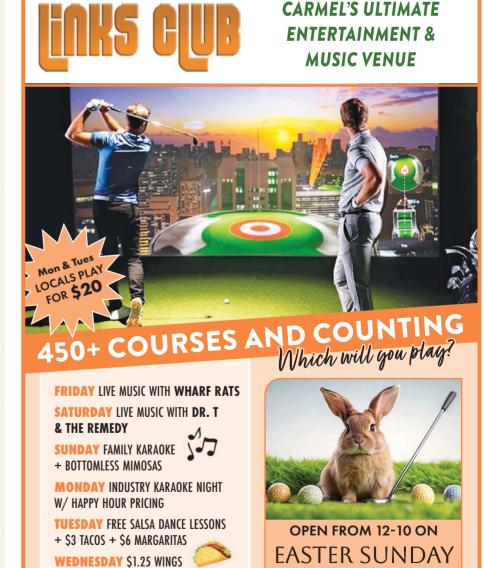
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Dashing bunnies, holiday brunch notes, and a cute pet project

ARE YOU still searching for the right goodies for a sophisticated Easter basket? Parker-Lusseau Pastries is again offering its exquisite collection of chocolate eggs ... and hedgehogs, fish, ladybugs and

more. These Easter chocolates are not only delicious treats, but works of art.

True to its ethos, Parker-Lusseau uses the best quality ingredients and

does not cut corners on craftsmanship. Made from premium Callebaut chocolate and hand painted, the festive chocolates make the perfect gift for kids and adults, a show-stopping centerpiece, a hostess gift, or a decadent treat for yourself.

Known for its deep, rich flavor and

smooth texture, Callebaut — a Belgian product favored by professional chocolatiers — is the key ingredient in these seasonal creations. A major step in making the chocolate artworks, "tempering," is labori-

Soup to Nuts

ous, but the end result — a shiny chocolate surface primed for decorating — is well worth it.

"Every piece is either finger-painted (i.e. polka dots), piped with a cornet (tiny pastry bag) or sprayed with a special chocolate paint gun," Yann Lusseau, co-owner

and pastry chef at Parker-Lusseau explained. Many of the chocolate shapes are filled with smaller chocolate pieces everything but the gold base is edible. They're so beautiful you won't want to break into them, but they taste even better than they look.

Cranking them out

Lusseau and his team worked "a solid eight hours for four Sundays in a row to crank out more than 2,000" of the chocolate pieces, he said. They come various shapes and sizes and are priced from \$7.50 for the minis to \$95 for large decorated eggs. The large eggs are filled with chocolates, while standing and dashing bunnies

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Freedom Bakery, a longtime Watsonville fixture, recently opened a "boutique" outlet near the Monterey post office. They're taking orders for boxes of shortbread Easter cookies with traditional and modern themes.



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do not have any chocolate inside of them but are lovely and delicious, just like the

You can pick up your chocolate in time for Easter on Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the quirky adobe building on 539 Hartnell St. in Monterey.

■ More sweets

If you stop in for coffee at Paris Bakery at 271 Bonifacio Place in Old Monterey, check out the delightful Easter-themed soft pretzel bunnies that could be slipped into

a grownup's basket with some mustard or local honey.

Not far away, Freedom Bakery's boutique at 305 Webster St. is taking phone orders at (831) 722-5223 for boxes of shortbread cookies. For \$24, you get traditional holiday-themed treats plus a choice of photo cookies, which are printed with edible "ink." Opt for one of more than 20 pre-selected themes for the Easter box, including "Moana," "Toy Story," Barbie, Disney princesses, San Francisco 49ers, and Peppa Pig. Because Peppa Pig is

Holiday brunch and dinner

If you're still looking for a place to dine Sunday, check out the last couple of weeks of The Pine Cone in our online archives.

And we have a few additions, too.

Woody's at Del Mesa and Woody's at the Airport will both have leg of lamb, traditional Easter ham, and prime rib dinners, plus a vegetarian entrée of risotto with English peas, asparagus and Parmesan cheese. Dessert is homemade carrot cake with cream cheese vanilla icing. Call (831) 624-1854 for Del Mesa and (831) 373-1232 for the airport location.

Coastal Roots Hospitality, the group behind Rio Grill in the Crossroads shopping center, Montrio in downtown Monterey and Tarpy's on Highway 68 just east of the Monterey Peninsula Regional Airport, has a few suggestions for Sunday lunch or dinner

Prime rib

At Rio Grill, which opens at 11:30 a.m., additions to the brunch menu include huevos rancheros with corn tortillas, sunny-side-up eggs, black beans, salsa, queso fresco and lime crema, along with bacon and avocado on toasted country bread with poached eggs, creamy burrata cheese, grilled tomato, lemon oil drizzle and crushed red pepper flakes. Other specials include wood-grilled swordfish with mushroom-goat cheese polenta, and rainbow Swiss chard, or a smoked 12-ounce prime rib with horseradish crème fraîche, chipotle onion marmalade, scalloped potatoes and charred jumbo asparagus.

Not to be outdone, Tarpy's — also open at 11:30 — has tiramisu French toast with mixed berries and maple syrup, a garden vegetable frittata with salsa fresca and seasonal fruit, or huevos rancheros with avocado, queso fresco and salsa fresca. There's also a 14-ounce prime rib with scalloped potatoes, green beans, rosemary jus and horseradish cream.

Montrio, open at 5 p.m., has a pan-





Oystertown, creator of this fancy deviled egg with caviar (top), has opened a restaurant in Monterey after a series of successful local pop-ups. Parker-Lusseau, meanwhile, has once again turned out stunning Easter chocolates like these ladybugs (above).

seared 6-ounce petit filet with two head-on prawns, chimichurri, grilled asparagus, and potato purée. Visit the restaurants' websites at riogrill.com, montrio.com and tarpys. com for more information or to reserve.

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■ By the sea

For a family-friendly Easter stroll, how about Old Fisherman's Wharf in Monterey? Some restaurants will be offering specials, and of course, there are plenty of gift



Some might say it's bent out of shape, but Paris Bakery's bunny pretzel is a delightful addition to any Easter basket. A routine coffee stop for many, the Monterey shop always has great seasonal treats.

shops and opportunities for fishing, whale-watching or glass-bottom boat tours. But we suspect the real hot spots will be the candy shops.

Founded in 1960, Carousel Candies will be selling chocolate bunnies in several colors, and they'll have a sugar-free version. That's in addition to homemade rockyroad eggs, peanut butter, chocolate fudge, and vanilla nut eggs and the (love 'em or hate 'em) marshmallow Peeps. Candy World will have an assortment of chocolate eggs and the Wharf Chocolate Factory will also offer a flock of colorful Peeps.

The Easter Bunny will hand out chocolate eggs Sunday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in front of Candy World.

Some restaurants on the Wharf will have special menu items, and there are fun whale watching, fishing trips, sailing, and glass bottom boat tours as well.

If your pet is looking extra snazzy for Easter, snap a photo of the two of you together and send it to brickman@brickmanmarketing.com with "Easter Pet Contest" in the subject line by midnight, Monday, April 21, for a chance to win \$25, \$50 or \$100 in "Wharf Dollars," which can be used at any of the merchants there. Entries will be judged on "cuteness and creativity." Involve your cat at your own risk.

Oystertown opens in Monterey

Frequently popping up at Vin wine bar in the Crossroads and other local spots, Oystertown has opened a restaurant at 281 Lighthouse Ave. in Monterey. Open Friday and Saturday at 4:30 p.m. and for Sunday "Munch" from 11:30 a.m., the place doesn't take reservations but does offer a playful and sophisticated menu with nods to old-school seafood joints — think shrimp cocktail, steamed mussels, and buttery baked oysters with crispy bread crumbs.

In addition to chilled and freshly shucked oysters served raw with a seasonal mignonette (sauce, often with finely chopped herbs or other ingredients) and other accompaniments like smoked trout roe, crème fraiche or cocktail sauce, diners can enjoy dishes that include carrot ginger soup with goat cheese crostini, "Super Meaty Meatballs" in tomato sauce, and an Italian chopped salad with chickpeas, provolone, kalamata olives, radicchio and pepperoncini.

There are two desserts listed — banana pudding served with crunchy, sweetened oyster crackers ("Cracker Jack" style) and peanuts, and The Buena Vista, which is a tiramisu ice cream sandwich with caramel whisky sauce. Visit oystertownusa.com to see the full menu.

Sally Baho and Elaine Hesser contributed to this week's column.

Carmel Host Lions Club 27th Annual



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Live music April 18-24

■ Big Sur

Big Sur River Inn — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (folk, Saturday at 12:30 p.m.). 46800 Highway 1.

Fernwood Resort — singer and guitarist **Richard Tripps** (Friday at 10 p.m.), **Parlor Tricks** ("industrial ragtime," Saturday at 10 p.m.). 47200 Highway 1.

Carmel

Barmel — singer and guitarist **Jen Howard** (Sunday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kyle Kovalik** (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.

Dogma — singer and guitarist **Katherine Lavin** (Sunday at 4 p.m.). 236 Crossroads Blvd.

Hyatt Carmel Highlands — singer and pianist **Dino Vera** (jazz, blues and r&b, Saturday and Thursday, both at 6 p.m.). 120 Highlands Drive.

La Playa Hotel — guitarist Glenn Bell

(jazz, Tuesday at 5 p.m.). Camino Real and Eighth.

The Links Club — The Wharf Rats (rock, Friday at 7:30 p.m.), Dr. T (jazz, Saturday at 7:30 p.m.), Songwriters Showcase (Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., sign-ups start at 6:30 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.

O'Callaghan's Pub — singer and guitarist Paul Behan (Beatles tribute, Friday at 6 p.m.), Open Mic Night (Thursday at 7 p.m.). In The Barnyard shopping center.

■ Carmel Valley

Bernardus Lodge — pianist Matt Morris (classical, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist Casey Wickstrom (rock and blues, Saturday at noon), singer and pianist TJ Kuenster (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.), guitarist John Sherry (rock and blues, Sunday at 11 a.m.). 415 W. Carmel Valley Road.

The Running Iron in Carmel Valley — Open Mic Night (Sunday at 8 p.m.). 24 E. Carmel Valley Road.

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

■ Monterey

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

Cibo — The Dave Holodiloff Duo (jazz, Sunday at 6 p.m.), singer Lee Durley and pianist Bill Spencer (jazz, Tuesday at 7 p.m.), singer Miranda Perl and guitarist Adam Astrup (jazz and swing, Wednesday at 7 p.m.). 301 Alvarado St.

Hyatt Regency Monterey — singer and multi-instrumentalist Reija Massey (pop, rock and country, Friday at 6 p.m.), Andrea's Fault Duo (jazz and pop, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 1 Old Golf Course Road.

InterContinental Hotel — singer and guitarist Zack Freitas (Friday at 7 p.m. and Saturday at 9 a.m.), guitarist John Sherry (rock and blues, Saturday at 7 p.m.), guitarist Terrence Farrell (Latin music, Sunday at 9 a.m.). 750

Melville Tavern — The Wild at Heart Duo ("new country and classic rock," Tuesday at 6 p.m.). 484 Washington St.

Midici Pizza — guitarist Bob Basa and multi-instrumentalist Paul Contos (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.), singer Lauri Hofer-Romero, Paul Contos and keyboardist Bill Spencer (jazz, Thursday at 5 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St.

Monterey Plaza Hotel — pianist Martan Mann (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and pianist Scott Brown (jazz and pop, Saturday at 6 p.m.), pianist Steve Mann (jazz, Sunday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist Scott Slaughter (Monday and Wednesday at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist Tamus Marius (jazz Tuesday at 6 p.m.), guitarist John Sherry (rock and blues, 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.

Puma Road tasting room — singers and guitarists Sarah Canet and Casey Frazier (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist RJ DeMarco (Saturday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist Peter Barnes Martin (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.). 281 Alvarado St.

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by Anaïs Mitchell

Friday, April 25 • 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 26 • 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 27 • 2:00 p.m. Friday, May 2 • 12:45 p.m.

> **TICKETS General Admission \$15** Seniors, Students, Military \$12 Children (12 and under) \$10

RESERVATIONS 831.655.9340 santacatalina.org/tickets Please call for Group Rates

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Salty Seal Pub — The Rogue Roosters (rock, Friday at 8 p.m.), Rachel Sprung and the Soul Service (r&b, Saturday at 8 p.m.). 653 Cannery Row.

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

Sly McFly's — Scarlet (dance hits from all genres and eras, Friday at 9 p.m.), **Duality** (hits from the 70s, 80s & 90s, Saturday at 8:30 p.m.), Victory Lane (classic rock, Monday at 8:30 p.m.), Bazooka Jones (classic rock, Tuesday at 8:30 p.m.) 5 Star (rock and soul, Wednesday at 8:30 p.m.), Bobby & Friends (funk, soul and r&b, Thursday at 8:30 p.m.). 700 Cannery Row.

Wave Street Studios — Balkan String Projekt with

Baum & Blume and The Carriage House Is Where the Easter Bunny Shops!

Treats From Our Kitchen: Housemade Coconut & Peanut Butter Easter Eggs Drenched in Dark Chocolate...Rose Geranium Pound Cakes...Italian Ricotta Easter Cookies Pear "Honey"...Meyer Lemon-Pear Marmalade...Plus: Handmade Frozen Hors d'oeuvres & More Delectables!

NEW Beautiful Pop-Up Paper Bouquets! Lovely Easter Cards! Floral Spring Scarves & Jewels

+ Gifts for Little Ones! **BAUM & BLUME** THE CARRIAGE HOUSE 4 EL CAMINITO RD CARMEL VALLEY VILLAGE **OPEN MON-SAT 11:30-7**

DON'T FORGET ... "LUNCH LAUNCH" WILL BE APRIL 26 CALL 659-0400 FOR RESERVATIONS

Everybody reads The Pine Cone

CALENDAR

April 19 - Live music for all ages. Join us at 5:30 p.m. for "Rhythms & Reads" featuring Charged Particles. The trio's funky Latin jazz repertoire, blending in elements of classical music, mixes complex orchestration with freewheeling improvisation. "Rhythms & Reads" is a new monthly concert series at the Pacific Grove Library.

April 19 - Come meet City of Monterey Councilmember Jean Rasch at 2 p.m. at the Monterey Public Library Community Room, 625 Pacific St., Monterey. Come and let Jean know how you think the City of Monterey is doing. Join the discussion and bring your questions.

April 19 - An Earth Day Celebration, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Point Lobos State Natural Reserve. For more information, please contact Ashley Wemp, (831) 884-



April 19-20 - California Native Plant Society/ Monterey Bay Spring Wildflower Show. See labeled specimens, talk with experts on plants & habitats, browse our large selection of books (members receive a discount, and yes, you can join at the show). Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 19 and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 20 at the Carmel Woman's Club, San Carlos at Ninth, Carmel-by-the-Sea. Suggested donation \$5.

April 21 - Carmel Guitar Society presents world-class in Sand City. For tickets, visit carmelguitarsociety.org

April 21 - "Glamorous Pebble Beach in Historical Pictures." Barbara Briggs-Anderson, curator of more than 27,500 images for the Julian P. Graham Historical Photographic Collection, will share her favorite photos depicting Pebble Beach's history. 2 p.m. Carmel Woman's Club, San Carlos & Ninth, Carmel-by-the-Sea. Open to the public. \$10 guests/members free.

April 24 - B4Noon Community Recital, 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., at Carmel Presbyterian Church, Ocean & Junipero, SE corner, every Thursday through April 24. Free. This week, April 24: The music of Bach & Mendelssohn with tenor Steven Knell & Eun Ha Chung (organ & piano).

April 24 – The World Affairs Council of the Monterey Bay Area (WACMB) presents a dinner / lecture by Mark Ward of Oregon State University, a 30-year veteran of USAID in the Foreign Service, whose topic is "Do we need Foreign Aid?" Hilton Garden Inn, 1000 Aquajito

Road, Monterey, 6 p.m. Registration and information: http://www.wacmb.org

April 25 - Futurist offers insights for rebalancing life on Earth. Join metaphysician-anthropologist Ruth Miller, Ph.D., as she shares guidance from her book "To Restore Earth's Balance," at 5:30 p.m., The Mindshop, 322 Central Ave., across from Pacific Grove Library. Affiliated with the Center for Spiritual Awakening. For more info phone (831) 372-2971.

April 25 – Melodies of Verse: The Timeless Harmony of Arabic Poetry & Music. An evening of Middle Eastern poetry & music presented by Monterey Institute of International Studies with support from the Whitney Latham-Lechich Fund. Begins 5:30 p.m. at the Pacific Grove Library. www.pgpubliclibrary.org. 5:30pm

April 26 – Rosé of Grenache Release Celebration. Celebrate the release of our 2024 Rosé of Grenache, enjoy an extra pour added to every tasting flight, along with a complimentary cheese bite selected by Kent Torrev of The Cheese Shop Carmel. Taste Morgan is in the Crossroads Shopping Center, Carmel. Time: 11 a.m.

April 26 - Baum & Blume's Patio Lunch and Biergarten Re-Launch!, noon to 3 p.m. Come enjoy our fun refreshed lunch menu with new beer & wine offerings, handmade desserts, & daily specials! Reservations advised! Baum & Blume and The Carriage House, 4 El Caminito Road, Carmel Valley (831) 659-0400.

April 26 - Join Daniel B. Summerhill for "Praying for Rain, A Centennial Celebration of James Baldwin," 5:30 p.m. at the Pacific Grove Library. The inaugural Poet Laureate of Monterey County, Summerhill is a writer, scholar and professor of Poetry at Santa Clara University. He is the author of two collections of poems, "Divine, Divine, Divine" and "Mausoleum of Flowers." www. pgpubliclibrary.org.

May 2 - An Art, Wine, & Meditation event, 6 p.m. at Manzoni Cellars, Carmel-by-the-Sea. Unwind with wine while you learn the official Zentangle drawing **method** as you create your own spring-inspired art piece. Tickets include instruction from a certified instructor, art supplies, and a glass of wine. Register: (831) 620-6541

May 16 - 18th Annual Women's Fund Luncheon of the Community Foundation for Monterey County: "Strength, Resiliency, Hope." This inspiring event features a conversation with artist and author René Romero Schuler. Hyatt Regency Monterey Hotel & Spa, 1 Old Golf Course Road, Monterey. Reception 11 a.m., Luncheon noon-1:30 p.m. Tickets: give.cfmco.org/

mandolinist Dave Holodiloff, violinist Elijjah McCullar and others (jazz and world music, Friday at 7 p.m.). Tickets are \$50. 774 Wave St.

■ Pacific Grove

Asilomar Hotel and Conference Grounds — guitarist Glenn Bell (jazz, Thursday at 4 p.m.). In the Phoebe Hearst Social Hall, 800 Asilomar Ave.

Il Vecchio Restaurant — singer and guitarist Ted Welty (jazz, blues and world music, Tuesday at 6 p.m.), The Cena Jazz Trio (Thursday at 6 p.m.). 110 Central

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 Holysea (Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.), singer and guitarist Rick Chelew (Thursday at 6 p.m.). 1180 Forest Ave.

PG's Meetinghouse — Three Twenty-Five (R&B, pop rock, Friday at 6:30 p.m.), a recital by Emma Barlett's piano students (classical, Saturday at 5 p.m.), The Stu Reynolds Saxtet (jazz, Saturday at 6:30 p.m.), singer and pianist T.J. Kuenster (jazz, Sunday at 11 a.m.), Open Mic (Tuesday at 6 p.m., sign up by 5 p.m.). 599 Lighthouse Ave.

Pop & Hiss — Weekly **Bluegrass Jam** (Thursday at 7 p.m.). 215 Forest Ave.

■ Seaside

Deja Blue — The Joint Chiefs (r&b and blues, Saturday at 4 p.m.), Wrockinfoose (r&b, soul and pop, Sunday at 4 p.m.). 500 Broadway.

To update these listings, email chris@carmelpinecone.com.



Parlor Tricks plays puts a contemporary spin on ragtime music Saturday at Fernwood Resort in Big Sur.

Breakfast with the Bunny

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

FAMILIES ARE invited to spend Saturday morning in Devendorf Park feasting on pancakes, hanging out with Mr. Bunny and playing in Bunnyland during the 27th annual Breakfast with the Bunny from 8:30 a.m. to noon. The April 19 event is hosted by the Carmel Host Lions Club and the parents at Monterey Peninsula Musical Theatre and usually draws about 450 people.

The breakfast also represents the efforts of other community organizations and businesses, including the City of Carmel-by-the Sea, the Little Swiss Café which provides the pancake batter, Lugano Swiss Bistro which brings the scrambled eggs, and Carmel Bakery, provider of the coffee and hot chocolate.

In addition to pancakes and scrambled eggs, breakfast includes sausage, orange juice and coffee and costs \$7 for children 12 years and under, \$14 for adults, and \$36 for a family of four, with two adults and two kids. Tickets can be purchased at the event.

Drawings held every half hour between 9 a.m. and noon offer chances to win a child's bicycle, a tricycle and more than 30 other prizes and Easter gift baskets.

Follow up breakfast with a visit to Bunnyland, which is presented by the musical theater and features face painting, a cupcake walk, carnival games with prizes, a show and dance on stage, themed crafts, and opportunities for pictures with Mr. Bunny. Entry costs \$10 per child.

Devendorf Park is located at Ocean and Junipero. In case of rain, the event will be held at the Carmel Youth Center at Fourth and Torres.

To advertise, email anne@carmelpinecone.com \$0.50 per word (\$25 min. charge) Add a photo for your event for only \$25

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Display recalls pioneering photographer, wife who followed in his footsteps

SHOWCASING THE creative journey of a local couple, an exhibit of photographs by Wynn and Edna Bullock will be on display at the Gallery at Del Mesa Carmel through May 4.

A contemporary of Ansel Adams, Wynn

Bullock received acclaim as a fine art pho-

1946, and Wynn soon established a com-

mercial photographic business at Fort Ord.

But a meeting with Edward Weston two

years later inspired him to explore fine art

photography. Along with that of Weston and Ansel Adams, Wynn's work is fea-

The Bullocks' moved to Monterey in

tographer before his passing in 1975.

Art Roundup

Photographic Art.

By CHRIS COUNTS

Inheriting her husband's cameras and darkroom after his passing, Edna decided to take a beginner's photography class at Monterey Peninsula College. Soon, her work received praise, and she began dis-

playing it and teaching workshops. She extensively photographed nudes — along with garage sales and flea markets. Edna died in 1997.

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Located at 500 Del Mesa Dr. in Carmel Valley, the gallery is open Wednesday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

■ 'Surreal science projects'

On display at the Monterey Museum of Art through June 8 is an exhibit by sculptor Annette Goodfriend that puts a creative spin on her fascination with biology. The artist describes her work as "surreal science projects" of the imagination.

"I create sculptures that explore the intricacies of human anatomy, from the

cellular level to the limb," Good friend explained. "It is a visceral investigation of the perversity of nature, the role of science, and how our bodies both affect and are affected by the world around us."

The artist works with epoxy, resin, rubber, wax and plaster. "Combining traditional materials in unique ways, I cast, build and assemble parts resulting in forms that are unexpected and occasionally disturbing," she added.

The museum is located at 559 Pacific St.

tured in the landmark coffee table book, "Not Man Apart," which the Sierra Club published in 1965. He was also a trustee for a local group, the Friends of Photography, which has morphed into the Center for "I create sintricacies of"



Photographer Wynn Bullock's "Sea Palm' is included in a new show at Del Mesa Carmel

Photographer Wynn Bullock's 'at Del Mesa Carmel.



Now Accepting Applications!

Want to help preserve the charm and history of Carmel-by-the-Sea? Join the Historic Resources Board!

- Open to Carmel residents and Monterey County professionals with experience or interest in:
- History or local history
- Architecture or historic preservation
- Archaeology, anthropology, paleontology
- Urban design, planning, fine arts, or real estate









■ Photographing architecture

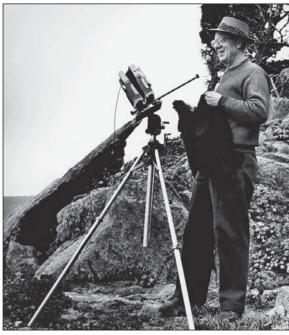
Architectural photographer Joe Fletcher will be part of panel talk offered Tuesday, 6 p.m., at the Monterey Museum of Art. A reception follows.

Fletcher will be joined by architects Greg Faulkner, Joe Dangaran, Mary Ann Schickedanz and Erik Dyar. The latter will moderate the talk, which is co-presented by American Institute of Architects Monterey Bay. "Joe will discuss the elements of the essential collaboration between architectural photographers and their architect clients," according to the group.

Tickets are \$10 for museum and AIA members, and \$25 for others.

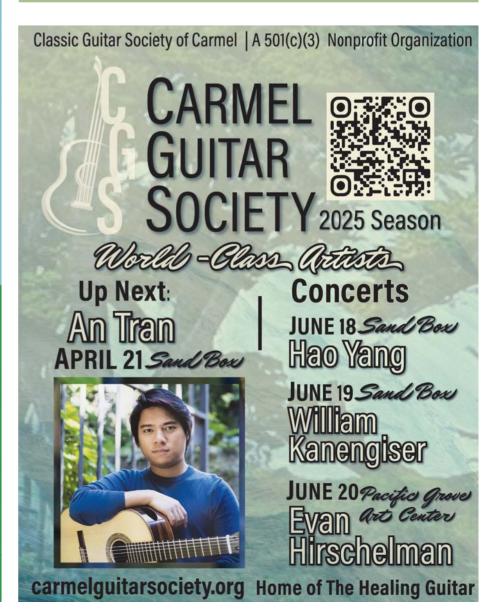
Breakfast • Lunch

Dinner • Beer & Wine



A pioneering fine art photographer who died in 1975, Wynn Bullock is pictured working at Point Lobos State Reserve.





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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 25CV001176
ALL INTERESTED PERSONS Petitioner, JOSE HERNANDEZ SORCIA and EDIBERTA GUTIERREZ, filed a petiition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A Present name:

JACOB DE JESUS GUTIERREZ HERNAN-

DEZ

<u>Proposed name</u>: JACOB DE JESUS HERNANDEZ GUTI-

JACOB DE JESUS HERNANDEZ GUTI-ERREZ
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 regions for the 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:

NOTICE OF HEARING:
DATE: April 22, 2025
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
DEPT: 14
The address of the court is 1200
Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date

stain be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the fol-lowing newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone.

(s) Thomas W. Wills Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: March 3, 2025
Publication Dates: March 28, April 4, 11,
18, 2025. (PC 306)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20250503

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING The following person () wing person(s) is (are) doing busi-SAHARA SUN TANNING & SPA, 2440 Fremont Street #103, Mon-terey, CA 93940.
County of Principal Place of Business: of Principal Place of Business:

MONTEREY. MONTEKEY.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.:
SBRE VENTURES, LLC, P.O. Box 221684, Carmel, CA 93922.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: California
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.

bility company. Registrant commenced to transact busi ness under the fictitious business name or

names listed above on March 6, 2025.

BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL IN-FORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pur-suant to Section 17913 of the Business and suant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor pun-ishable by a fine not to exceed one thou-sand dollars (\$1,000). I am also aware that all information on this statement be-

comes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Gov-ernment Code Sections 6250-6277). S/Barry G. Peterson, COO
Date: March 6, 2025
This statement was filed with the County
Clerk of Monterey County on March 11,

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 Busi ness Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement

Publication Dates: March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 2025. (PC 337)

FICTITIONS BUSINESS

NETWORK, 4103 Pine Meadows Way, Pebble Beach, CA 93953. County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY

This business is conducted by an individ-Registrant commenced to transact busi-

declares as true any material matter pur-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).

S/Barry G. Peterson
Date signed: March 6, 2025
This statement was filed with the County
Clerk of Monterey County on March 11,

SUMMONS (Citacion Judicial) CASE NUMBER: 24CV005301

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (Aviso al demandado) MARIA PINEDA, AND DOES 1 - 20
YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (Lo esta demandando el demandante) LOYA CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY
NOTICE: You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within

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30 days. Read the information below.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pop the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from

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Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta.

Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertera.

Advertencia.

Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 ó más de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso.

The paga and address of the court is El pombre y direccion de la corte a les corte este.

The name and address of the court is (El nombre y direccion de le corte es): MONTEREY COURT 1200 AGUAJITO ROAD

MONTEREY, CA 93940

The name, address and telephone number of the plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is (El nombre, la direction y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado,es):

Charlotte M. Konczal, Esq. (SBN 212832); 11900 North 26 St., Suite 200, Edinburg, TX 78539; (915) 383-2536

Date: Dec. 13, 2024

(s) Clerk, by Rosa Lopez, Deputy

Publication Dates: April 11, 18, May 2, 9, 2025. (PC425)

Publication dates: April 4, 11, 18, 2025 (PC411

TS No. 250304175 Notice Of Default And Foreclosure Sale

U.S. Department Of Housing And Urban Development Recorded in accordance with 12 USCA 3764 (c) APN 187-461-013-000 Property Address: 2 Valle Vis Carmel Valley, CA 93924 Title Order No.: 95531054 Whereas, on 9/11/2009, a certain Dead of Trust was executed by H Russell Wilks Jr and Judith C Wilks, as Trustees of the Wilks Family Trust, a revocable Living Trust dated December 13, 1995 as trustor in favor of MetLife Home Loans, a Division of MetLife Bank, N.A. as beneficiary, and Placer Title Company as trustee, and was recorded on 9/16/2009, as Instrument No. 2009058757, in the Office of the County Recorder of Monterey County, California; and Whereas, the Deed of Trust was insured by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (the Secretary) pursuant to the National Housing Act for the purpose of providing single family housing; and Whereas, the beneficial interest in the Deed of Trust is now owned by the Secretary, pursuant to an Assignment of Deed of Trust dated 10/7/2015, recorded on 10/23/2015, as instrument number 2015061435, book N/A, page N/A, in the Office of the County Recorder, Monterey County, California; and Whereas, a default has been made in the covenants and conditions of the Deed of Trust in that the payment due on 3/1/2025, was not made and remains wholly unpaid as of the date of this notice, and no payment has been made sufficient to restore the loan to currency; and Whereas, the entire amount delinquent as of 5/6/2025 is \$1,125,260.59; and Whereas, by virtue of this default, the Secretary has declared the entire amount of the indebtedness secured by the Deed of Trust to be immediately due and payable; Now Therefore, pursuant to powers vested in me by the Single Family Mortgage Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12 U.S.C. 3751 et seq., by 24 CFR part 27, subpart B, and by the Secretary's designation of Total Lender Solutions, Inc. as Foreclosure Commissioner, recorded on 2/11/2019 as instrument number 2019005336, book N/A, page N/A n nied by a deposit. If the successful bid is oral, a deposit of \$112,526.05 must be presented before the bidding is closed. deposit is nonrefundable. The remainder of the purchase price must be delivered within 30 days of the sale or at such other deposit is nonrefundable. The remainder of the purchase price must be delivered within 30 days of the sale or at such other time as the Secretary may determine for good cause shown, time being of the essence. This amount, like the bid deposits, must be delivered in the form of a certified or cashier's check. If the Secretary is the high bidder, he need not pay the bid amount in cash. The successful bidder will pay all conveyancing fees, all real estate and other taxes that are due on or after the delivery of the remainder of the payment and all other costs associated with the transfer of title. At the conclusion of the sale, the deposits of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them. The Secretary may grant an extension of time within which to deliver the remainder of the payment. All extensions will be for 15-day increments for a fee of \$500.00, paid in advance. The extension fee shall be in the form of a certified or cashier's check made payable to the Secretary of HUD. If the high bidder closes the sale prior to the expiration of any extension period, the unused portion of the extension fee shall be applied toward the amount due. If the high bidder is unable to close the sale within the required period, or within any extensions of time granted by the Secretary, the high bidder may be required to forfeit the cash deposit or, at the election of the foreclosure commissioner after consultation with the HUD Field Office representative, will be liable to HUD for a cost incrured as a result of such failure. Secretary, the high bidder may be required to tortest the cash deposit or, at the election of the toreclosure commissioner arrer consultation with the HUD Field Office representative, will be liable to HUD for any costs incurred as a result of such failure. The commissioner may, at the direction of the HUD field office Representative, offer the Property to the second highest bidder for an amount equal to the highest price offered by that bidder. There is no right of redemption, or right of possession based upon a right of redemption, in the mortgagor or others subsequent to a foreclosure completed pursuant the Act. Therefore, the Foreclosure commissioner will issue a Deed to the purchaser(s) upon receipt of the entire purchase price in accordance with the terms of the sale as provided herein. HUD does not guarantee that the property will be vacant. The amount that must be paid if the Mortgage is to be reinstated prior to the scheduled sale is \$1,124,790.90, as of 5/5/2025, plus all other amounts that would be due under the mortgage agreement if payments under the mortgage had not been accelerated, advertising costs and postage expenses incurred in giving notice, mileage by the most reasonable road distance for posting notices and for the Foreclosure Commissioner's attendance at the sale, reasonable and customary costs incurred for title and lien record searches, the necessary out-of-pocket costs incurred by the Foreclosure Commissioner for recording documents, a commission

for the Foreclosure Commissioner, and all other costs incurred in connection with the foreclosure prior to reinstatement. Date 3/25/2025 Total Lender Solutions, Inc. U.S. Dept. of HUD Foreclosure Commissioner By: Rachel Seropian 10505 Sorrentc Valley Road, Suite 125 San Diego, CA, 92121 Phone: 866-535-3736 Fax: 866-242-8599 A notary public or other officer

completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document. State Of CA County Of San Diego On 3/25/2025 before me, Kimberly Alise Lokey, a notary public personally appeared, Rachel Seropian who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory

evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/ they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument. I certify under Penalty Of Perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct. Witness my hand and official seal

NOTICES

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 et seq., Business and Professions

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20250504
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: EMBROIDERY SOLUTIONS

Registered Owner(s):

BARRY GENE PETERSON, 4103 Pine Meadows Way, Pebble Beach, CA

ness under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 6, 2025.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS
TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who

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than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before ness Name Statement must be tiled before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in viola-tion of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 1441) et seq., Business and Professions Code). Publication Dates: March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 2025 (PC 338)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20250520
Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing. The following person(s) is (are) doing busi-

1. FIRED UP FISHERMAN 2. FIRED UP FISHERMAN PIZZA 484 Cannery Row, Monterey, CA

of Principal Place of Business: County of P MONTEREY.

MONIEREY.

Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.:
GET FIRED UP RESTAURANTS, INC., 501
Cannery Row, Monterey, CA 93940.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a corpora-

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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BY SIGNING, I DECLAŘE THAT ALL IN-FORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registront who declares as true any material matter pur-suant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor pun-ishable by a fine not to exceed one thou-sand dollars (\$1,000). I am also aware that all information on this statement be-comes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Gov-ernment Code Sections 6250-6277). S/Robert T. Faulis, CEO

S/Robert T. Faulis, CEO
Date: Dec. 10, 2024
This statement was filed with the County
Clerk of Monterey County on March 14,

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name (a) of Section 17920, a ricinitous 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 viola State of a Pictilious Business reame in viola-tion of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et sea., Business and Professions Code). Publication Dates: March 28, April 4, 11, 18. 2025. (PC 339)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20250444 Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PAPE MATERIAL HANDLING, 111 Puente Del Monte Ave., Gonzales, CA 93926.

of Principal Place of Business: County of F MONTEREY.

Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: PAPE MATERIAL HANDLING, INC, 355 Goodpasture Island Road, Eugene, OR 97401

State of Inc./Org./Reg.: OR
This business is conducted by a corpora-

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or

names listed above on Nov. 1, 2004.
BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL IN-FORMATION 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 be-comes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277). S/Lance Jorgensen, CFO Date: Feb. 20, 2025

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 4, 2025. 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 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 oldtion of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 1441) et seq., Business and Professions

Publication Dates: March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 2025. (PC 340)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20250497

The following person(s) is(are) doing

business as:
SMART TECH PHONE, COMPUTER & GAMING CONSOLE REPAIR,
1851 CHEROKEE DR UNIT 2, SALINAS, CA 93906, County of MON-

TEKEY
Registered Owner(s):
SMART TEAM INC., 1851 CHEROKEE
DR, UNIT 2 SALINAS, CA 93906, CA
This business is conducted by A CORPORATION

PORATION
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE S/ RAUL MENDOZA, PRESIDENT This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 03/11/2025
CNS-3908572#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: March 28, April 4,

Publication Dates: March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 2025. (PC 341)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20250532 Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING. The following possess of the following possess o

Filing type: OKIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ISAAC FITNESS, 138 1/2 Fountain Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.
Registered Owner(s):
ISAAC CHRISTOPHER DANA.

This business is conducted by an individ-

ual. 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 brows and Professions Code the registrant knows

punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/Isaac Dana

Date signed: March 12, 2025
This statement was filed with the County
Clerk of Monterey County on March 18,

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name (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 Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 1441) et seq., Business and Professions Code). Publication Dates: March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 2025 (PC 342)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20250498 The following person(s) is(are) doing

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
CREACIONES DE ANGEL, 1851
CHEROKEE DR UNIT 2, SALINAS, CA 93906, County of MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s):
SMART TEAM INC., 1851 CHEROKEE
DR, UNIT 2 SALINAS, CA 93906, CA
This business is conducted by A CORPORATION
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ness under the fictitious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE listed above on NOI APPLICABLE
S/ RAUL MENDOZA, PRESIDENT
This statement was filed with the
County Clerk of Monterey County on
03/11/2025
3/28, 4/4, 4/11, 4/18/25

CNS-3908338#

CNS-3908338# CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 2025. (PC 403)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

NAME STATEMENT File No. 20250496 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
SMART CUSTOM EMBROIDERY

AND PRINT SERVICE, 1851 CHERO-KEE DR UNIT 2 SALINAS, CA 93906, County of MONTEREY

Registered Owner(s): SMART TEAM INC., 1851 CHEROKEE DR, UNIT 2 SALINAS, CA 93906; CAL-IFORNIA

This business is conducted by A COR-PORATION Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE

listed above on NOT APPLICABLE S/ RAUL MENDOZA, PRESIDENT This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 03/11/2025 CNS-3909802#

CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025. (PC 404)



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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-22-946979-BF Order No.: 220597798-CA-VOI YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 8/22/2001. 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. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal availage and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed to provide the process of the parties to provide the parties to provide the parties to provide the parties to provide the parties. or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): SCOTT BEUTEL, AN UNMARRIED MAN Recorded: 8/29/2001 as Instrument No. 2001073067 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of MONTEREY County, California; Date of as Instrument No. 2001073067 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of MONTEREY County, California; Date of Sale: 5/13/2025 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: At the main entrance to the County Administration Building, located at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$495,798.84 The purported property address is: 26169 ATHERTON DR., CARMEL, CA 93923 Assessor's Parcel No.: 009-292-007-000 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. 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 PROP**-ERTY 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 916-939-0772 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this internet website http://www.qualityloan.com, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-22-946979-BF. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 619-645-7711, or visit this internet website http://www.qualityloan.com, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-22-946979-BF to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amoun assigned to line indections by the indexe. CA-2-74077-91 to find the date of which interferes sale was held, the date 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. NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE OWNER-OCCUPANT: Any prospective owner-occupant as defined in Section 2924m of the California Civil Code who is the last and highest bidder at the trustee's sale shall provide the required affidavit or declaration of eligibility to the auctioneer at the trustee's sale or shall have it delivered to QUALITY LOAN SERVICE COR-PORATION by 5 p.m. on the next business day following the trustee's sale at the address set forth in the below signature block NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE POST-SALE OVER BIDDERS: For post-sale information in accordance with Section 2924m(e) of the California Civil Code, use file number CA-22-946979-BF and call (866) 645-7711 or login to: http://www.qualityloan. com. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall only to a return of the monies paid to the Irustee. Ihis shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Breneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. Date: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION 2763 Camino Del Rio S San Diego, CA 92108 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 916-939-0772 Or Login to: http://www.qualityloan.com Post-Sale Information (CCC 2924m(e)): (866) 645-7711 Reinstatement or Payoff Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318 QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION TS No.: CA-22-946979-BF IDSPub #0247736 4/18/2025 4/25/2025 5/2/2025

Publication dates: April 18, 25, May 2, 2025 (PC424)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

NAME STATEMENT File No. 20250522 The following person(s) is (are) doing

business as: 1. Total Golf & Utility Vehicles, 2. Total Industries, 681 Work Street, Salinas, CA 93901 County of MONTEREY Registrant(s).

Registrant(s): RJMS Corporation, 6999 Southfront Road, Livermore, CA 94551 This business is conducted by a Corpo-

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

RJMS Corporation
S/MARK ANDRES, PRESIDENT/CEO
S/MARK ANDRES, PRESIDENT/CEO
This statement was filed with the
County Clerk of Monterey County on
03/14/2025.
4/4, 4/11, 4/18, 4/25/25
CN5-3899322#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: April 4, 11, 18, 25

Publication Dates: April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025. (PC 406)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20250540 The following person(s) is(are) doing

PacFly, 137 Calle de los Agrinemsors, Carmel Valley, CA 93924, County of Monterey Registered Owner(s): Christopher Bartoli
This business is conducted by an individual

vidual Registrant commenced to transact busi-ness under the fictitious business name

ness under the fictilious ousness name listed above on not applicable S/ Christopher Bartoli This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 03/19/2025 4/4, 4/11, 4/18, 4/25/25 CNS-3904412#

CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: April 4, 11, 18, 25 2025. (PC 407)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20250584
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SUPER TOYS, 620 Williams Rd. A5, Salinas, CA 93905. of Principal Place of Business:

County of I MONTEREY Registered Owner(s): CARLOS RENE CASTRO NUNEZ. This business is conducted by an individ-

ness under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 5, 2025. BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL IN-FORMATION 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

able by a tine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/Carlos R. Castro Nunez
Date signed: March 25, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 25,

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision 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 reaistered owner. A new Fictitious Busia 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

Publication Dates: April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025 (PC 408)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20250585
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SUPER BOUTIQUE, 620 Williams Rd. B2. Salinas, CA 93905. of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY

Registered Owner(s): CARLOS RENE CASTRO NUNEZ. This business is conducted by an individ-

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Dec. 25, 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).

Carlos Re Date signed: March 25, 2025
This statement was filed with the Clerk of Monterey County on March 25,

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Publication Dates: April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025 (PC 409)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20250535
Filing type: NEW FILING
CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.
The following person(s) is (are) to
business as: JEANNE RUDIGER, ING PLACES TRAVEL, INDEPENDENT TRAVEL CONSULTANT, 7032 Valley Greens Circle, Carmel, CA 93923. Registered Owner(s): JEANNE KURTZON RUDIGER

This business is conducted by an individ-

ual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 18, 2025 BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT

IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registran IS IRUE 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/Jeanne Rudiger
Date signed: March 18, 2025 This statement was filed with the Cou Clerk of Monterey County on March 18,

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Publication Dates: April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025 (PC 412)

NOTICE OF SALE OF ABANDONED PERSONAL

PROPERTY PROPERTY

Notice is hereby given that undersigned intends to sell the abandoned personal property described below pursuant to sections 1983 and 1988 of the California Civil Code. The undersigned will sell at public sale by competitive bidding on APRIL 25, 2025, at 9:30 a.m., on the premises where said property has been stored and which are located at Rossi Self Storage, www.selfstorage.guction. Self Storage, www.selfstorageauction.com, California the following described

goods: Misc goods
Anthony Molina #115 MISC. GOODS
Purchases must be paid for at the time
of purchase in cash only. All purchased or purchase in cash only. All purchasea items sold as is where is and must be removed at the time of sale. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party. 4/11, 4/18/25
CNS-3912151#

CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: April 11, 18, 2025.

NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20250594 The following person(s) is(are) doing

business as:
CENCAL ELECTRIC, 120 ORANGE
DR APT 6 SALINAS, CA 93901,
County of MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s):

& UTILITIES ORANGE DR #6 SALINAS, CA 93901;

This business is conducted by A COR-PORATION Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE S/ADRIAN MELENDREZ PAZ, PRES-

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 03/26/2025
4/11, 4/18, 4/25, 5/2/25
CNS-3912862#
CARMEI BILLS COURT

CARMEL PINE CONE

Publication Dates: April 11, 18, 25, May 2, 2025. (PC 414)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20250576

The following person(s) is(are) doing

business as:

A WELLNESS CANVAS, 484B.
WASHINGTON ST 330, MONTEREY, CA 93940, County of MONTEREY

REGISTERED Owner(s): LYNNE PERRY, 484B. WASHINGTON ST 330, MONTEREY, CA 93940 This business is conducted by AN IN-

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 01/26/2025
S/IVNNE PERRY

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 03/25/2025

4/11, 4/18, 4/25, 5/2/25 CNS-3912905#

CARMEL PINE CONE

Publication Dates: April 11, 18, 25, May 2, 2025. (PC 415)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

File No. 20250593 The following person(s) is(are) doing

SENIOR MOVE MANAGEMENT, 3203 PLAYA CT, MARINA, CA 93933, County of MONTEREY Registered Owner(s): CHIC MOVERS LLC, 222 COCHRANE

CHIC MOVERS LLC, 222 COCHRANE PLZ #1006, MORGAN HILL, CA 95037; CA
This business is conducted by A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictifious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE S/ MARLENE CORPUS, MEMBER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 03/26/2025
4/11, 4/18, 4/25, 5/2/25

03/26/2025 4/11, 4/18, 4/25, 5/2/25 CNS-3912918#

CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: April 11, 18, 25,
May 2, 2025. (PC 416)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

FILE TOUS BUSINES
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20250627
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is large. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: GRIT + TONIC, 476 Tyler Street,

ness as: GRIT + TONIC, 4/6 Tyler Street, Monterey, CA 93940.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.:
CARMELBARRE, 27236 Prado Del Sol, Carmel, CA 93923. State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a corpora-

PUBLIC Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business nar names listed above on April 2, 2025.

BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL IN-

FORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pur-suant 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/RArianne Marsh, CEO Date: March 31, 2025
This statement was filed with the County

Clerk of Monterey County on April 2,

2025.
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision
(a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name
Statement generally expires at the end of
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Publication Dates: April 11, 18, 25, May 2, 2025. (PC 417)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20250606
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business

1. NEPENTHE THE PHOENIX SHOP 48510 Highway 1, Big Sur, CA 93920.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

MONTEREY.
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.:
NEPENTHE/PHOENIX CORPORATION.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: California
This business is conducted by a corpora-

tron.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 6 1980.

BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who

declares as true any material matter pur suant 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 sand colors (\$1,000). I am also aware that all information on this statement be-comes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Gov-ernment Code Sections 6250-6277). S/Kirk Gafill, President

Date: March 19, 2025 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 28,

2025.
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 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 Federal, State, or common law (See Section 1441) et seq., Business and Professions

Publication Dates: April 11, 18, 25, May 2,

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (ass) e following person(s) is (are) doing busi-ess as: CAFE KEVAH, 48510 Highway

1, Big Sur, CA 93920.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

MONTEKET.

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

NEPENTHE/PHOENIX CORPORATION.

State of Inc./Org./Reg.: Colifornia

This business is conducted by a corpora-

Registrant commenced to transact busi-

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 1, 1992.

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 be comes public record upon filing pursuanto the California Public Records Act (Gov

ernment Code Sections 6250-6277). S/Kirk Gafill, President Date: March 19, 2025 This statement was filed with the Count Clerk of Monterey County on March 28,

2025. 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 omet than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Busi-ness Name Statement must be filled 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 Federal, State, or common law (See Section 1441) et seq., Business and Professions Publication Dates: April 11, 18, 25, May 2,

2025. (PC 420)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20250628 Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: R & R ROOFING, 15032 Del Monte Farms Rd., Castroville, CA of Principal Place of Business:

NOTICES

Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Ora./Rea the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: R & R CENTRAL COAST LLC, 1418 S. Main St., Ste. 203, Salinas, CA 93908.

State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a limited liability company. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or

names listed above on N/A.

BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL IN-FORMATION 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).

rnment Code Sections 6250-6277) S/Ryan Roche, Manager Date: March 26, 2025 ment was filed with the County

Clerk of Monterey County on April 2

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 vi-olation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

Publication Dates: April 11, 18, 25, May 2, 2025. (PC 422)

Lien Sale Auction Advertisement

Lien Sale Auction Advertisemen
Notice is hereby given that Pursuant
to the California Self-Service Storage
Facility Act, (B&P Code 21700 et.
Sea,), the undersigned will sell at
public auction; personal property
including but not limited to furniture,
tools, and /or other misc. items.
Auction to be held at 4:00 pm on
May 7th, 2025.

May 7th, 2025: www.selfstorageauction.com The property is stored at: Coastal Storage
575 California Ave,
Sand City, 93955
Name of Tenants
Erik J Prejean
Christopher James Ruddy

CNS-3914468# CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: April 18, 2025
(PC 423)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20250619
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SUNSET LANDSCAPING. 42 Southbank Road, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.

of Principal Place of Business: Registered Owner(s): JIMMY OSORNIO. This business is conducted by an individ-

egistrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 7, 2025. BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL IN-

FORMATION 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/Jimmy Osornio Date signed: April 1, 2025 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 1, 2025.

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 vi-olation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions

,. :ation Dates: April 18, 25, May 2, 9,

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

File No. 20250670
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is family for the family fo The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **BIG SUR TERRA SANCTUM**,

46503 Pfeiffer Ridge Road, Big Sur, CA 93920.

CA 93920.

County of Principal Place of Business:
MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s):
LAVERNE JOYCE MCLEOD, P.O. Box
566, Big Sur, CA 93920.

MONICA ANN EASTWAY, P.O. Box 566,

Big Sur, CA 93920 . This business is conducted by a general partnership. Registrant commenced to transact busi-ness under the fictitious business name or

es 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/Laverne McLeod

S/Laverne McLeod
Date signed: April 7, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 7, 2025.
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 viola-tion of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). cation Dates: April 18, 25, May 2, 9, 2025 (PC 427)

Lien Sale Auction Advertisement

Notice is hereby given that Pursuant to the California Self-Service Storage Facility Act, (B&P Code 21700 et. Seq.), the undersigned will sell at public auction; personal property including but not limited to furniture, tools, and or other misc, items. Auction to be held at 4:00 pm on May 7th, 2025:

www.selfstorageauction.com
The property is stored at:
Rossi Self Storage, 10 Rossi Cr.,
Salinas, CA 93907
Name of Tenants Christopher Dixon Sadie Stephens Rivera Tile & Marble Kenneth Canfield Michael Malano Rafael Garcia David Ivester

CARMEL PINE CONE Publication Dates: April 18, 2025

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. 25CV001876
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, PAMELA MICHELE MESSEL, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A Present name:
PAMELA MICHELE MESSEL

<u>Proposed name</u>: PAMELA MICHELE FITZGERALD

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: June 3, 2025 TIME: 10:00 a.m.

The address of the court is 1200 Agua-jito Road, Monterey, CA 93940. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date to four successive weeks prior to fire dute set for hearing on the petition in the follow-ing newspaper of general circulation, print-ed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone. (s) Thomas W. Wills Judge of the Superior Court

Publication Dates: April 18, 25, May 2, 9, 2025. (PC 429) FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Date filed: April 10, 2025

File No. 20250706
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PERMANENT JEWELRY MON-TEREY, 711 Cannery Row, Suite B, Monterey, CA 93940.

lame of Corporation or LLC as shown in

ness under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 28, 2023. BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL IN-

FORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pur-suant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows Protessions 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 (Governor Code).

S/Emme Nordyke, Managing Member Date: April 11, 2025 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 11,

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person(s) is(are) doing

Registered Owner(s): CALVIN SUMMER DYE WISNER This business is conducted by AN INDI-VIDUAL

registrant commenced to transact obsiness under the fictitious business name listed above on 03/06/2025

S/ CALVIN SUMMER DYE WISNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/02/2025

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Mother's Day May 11, 2025











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of Principal Place of Business:

MONTEREY.

the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: THE NORDYKE NEST LLC.

State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.
Registrant commenced to transact business

ernment Code Sections 6250-6277)

Publication Dates: April 18, 25, May 2, 9, 2025. (PC 430)

File No. 20250630

Ine following persons, island, the business as:
DROP IN SURFBOARDS, 517 AIR-PORT WAY, STE Q, MONTEREY, CA 93940, County of MONTEREY

Registrant commenced to transact busi-

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