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Woman sues over police shooting of son

By MARY SCHLEY

CARMEL POLICE violated state and federal laws by using “excessive and unreasonable force” in the fatal shooting of 27-year-old James Marshall near the Golden Bough Theater last October, according to a lawsuit filed by his mother, Ellen Barrett, against the City of Carmel in federal court Friday.

Although Marshall was seen carrying an assault-rifle-style BB gun and a crowbar in the area near the Monte Verde Street home he shared with his mother and reportedly threatened people before retreating to his backyard, where he was eventually shot, Barrett’s lawsuit says he wasn’t a threat at all.

‘Not threatening’

Marshall “was not verbally or physically threatening any person, including defendants, and decedent never verbally threatened any person, including defendants,” nor was he “attempting, willing or threatening to inflict harm on anyone,” according to her complaint. “However, defendant officers unreasonably used force against decedent, including when they repeatedly shot decedent without justification.”

According to Barrett’s Woodland Hills lawyer, Dale Galipo — who has made a career of suing law-enforcement agencies and claims to have achieved more than 30 multimillion-dollar verdicts — on the morning of Oct. 25, 2024, Barrett called police to report that Marshall, who was bipolar, was having a mental breakdown.

“The call for medical help quickly turned into tragedy and the worst day of her life,” he said in a statement. “The officers knew her son had a history of mental illness, as they had been to her home previously in response to a similar call. Nevertheless, a crisis intervention team did not respond, which had previously been effective.”

A Monterey County District Attorney’s review of the incident that was released in February and cleared the officers of wrongdoing stated that neighbors called 911 at 8:40 a.m. to report Marshall pointed an assault-style rifle

A call for help ‘turned into the worst day of her life’

When a kitten’s temper is a very good sign



PHOTO/SPCA MONTEREY COUNTY

A bobcat has been returned to Andrew Molera State Park in Big Sur after a three-week stay at the SPCA Monterey County’s wildlife center, where she was treated for injuries that probably resulted from being hit by a car. See page 14A.

at them and demanded they remove a security camera he believed was spying on him. The victims “provided photographs of Mr. Marshall taken from their balcony, where he was wearing a tactical helmet, a ballistic vest, a backpack and gloves,” the report says. “He was holding a black rifle and had a yellow crowbar next to him.”

Asked for help

As Carmel Police officers staged at Dolores and Eighth, they asked the Monterey County Sheriff’s crisis negotiation team to respond but were told it was unavailable, according to the DA’s report.

Shortly before 9 a.m., Barrett called the police department line about her son and phoned again a few minutes later to say “he wanted to die and had a BB gun on him,” according to the DA’s report. She also said Marshall was “trying to look as menacing as he could so the police would shoot him.”

A neighbor called 911 to report Marshall was on his roof with a rifle. The alleged gunman also confronted workers at the nearby Golden Bough Playhouse — including one

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Tomasi to retire — and he means it this time

By MARY SCHLEY

CARMEL POLICE Chief Paul Tomasi will retire Aug. 4, and Cmdr. Todd Trayer, who joined the department in January after a lengthy career with San Jose P.D., is set to be sworn in as acting chief the next day, city administrator Chip Rerig announced earlier this month.

The date will mark the second time Tomasi has retired from Carmel P.D. The first was in 2021, when he left to take a position as head of security for the Monterey Bay Aquarium.

Many chiefs

He returned in fall 2023 following a couple of years of turmoil at CPD headlined by the short tenure of Alan Ward, who became chief in June 2022 but was put on leave in January 2023 pending investigation into multiple complaints against him. While the city refused to reveal anything about the allegations, Ward departed just over a year after his arrival. Jeff Watkins, the former commander, became chief but decided to leave in late 2023, and that’s when Rerig asked Tomasi to come back.

“There were so many things happening and so many

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Paul Tomasi



Todd Trayer

Between epic adventures, they visit home

By CHRIS COUNTS

ELEVEN YEARS after sailing 40,000 miles around the Pacific, Indian and Atlantic oceans on a 30-foot boat, a local family is back home for the first time in eight years following a lengthy and difficult journey through the Arctic.

While the trip from New England to California via the Northwest Passage happened during the late summer of 2023, it became possible in

2017 when John and Kara Pennington sold their 30-foot sailboat and replaced it with a 39-foot craft they located in the Netherlands. With the birth of their son, Dean, the couple needed a larger boat. They traveled to Europe to start fixing up the vessel.

“It was almost 50 years old and not in very good shape,” explained Pennington, who

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PHOTO/JOHN AND KARA PENNINGTON

Kara, Dean and John Pennington (left) during their sailing voyage through the Northwest Passage, which surrounded them with breathtaking Arctic scenery (right). The family returned to Monterey in May for the first time in eight years.

SADE’S COULD BE FORCED TO CLOSE

By MARY SCHLEY

SADE’S BAR has been around for decades, first as a restaurant and cocktail lounge on the south side of Ocean between Lincoln and Monte Verde, and then solely as a bar in the spot on Lincoln south of Ocean it has occupied since 1994. But owner Parker Logan said this week that its days are numbered.

He said his landlords, Lizette Fiallo and Maria Martinez — who bought the building, which includes Dametra restaurant and a swimwear shop, in August 2018 for \$8 million, according to Monterey County records — have decided not to renew his lease and are negotiating with one of Dametra’s owners to take it over and operate a high-end cocktail lounge.

“My landlord has decided not to renew my lease and is going to offer it to Bashar Sneeh for over \$270 a foot plus a percentage of the business, which will force the closure of Sade’s just after its 100th birthday,” Logan said, adding that he pays

more than \$9,000 per month for the roughly 400-square-foot space.

And while he holds the liquor license — a valuable item in a county where the state is not issuing new ones for the onsite consumption of beer, wine and spirits — the space’s designated use as a bar stays put. Years ago, the city limited the number of drinking establishments to three. Barmel on San Carlos and A.W. Shucks on Ocean are the others.

‘Ridiculous law’

“Carmel’s ridiculous land use laws state that even though Sade’s is my business, the use permit to operate a bar is exclusive to the location,” Logan said. “Obviously this allows my landlord to grossly overcharge for the space and force me out of business.”

But Martinez insisted no deals have been made and that she and Fiallo are simply researching their options and seeking suggestions and proposals from potential tenants who

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Lessons on love

They were the last family in their neighborhood to be without a dog. It was 2020, and with Covid raging, the son, then 12, felt the family would do well if they sheltered in place with a pup. So, he made an extensive PowerPoint presentation to convince his parents a pandemic puppy was just what they needed.

"Our son created quite a presentation about what we should seek in a dog," his mom said. "He went all out and was terribly convincing."

His arguments included, "My parents are getting older, so they need someone to motivate them to get up out of their chairs and play. My parents are stressed by the pandemic and need a distraction."

Kilbourn, now 5, is a parti-color Yorkshire terrier, named for a town in the homeland of his heritage, as well as the street where Dad grew up in Wisconsin. He has been to the beach, but decided it wasn't his jam.

"At first we looked at Old English Sheepdogs, my husband's dream dog since he was little," said Mom. "He found a breeder and put money down on little Guinness, but then realized we couldn't have a dog that big in our Monterey apartment. So, we went for this little 9-pound pup, kind of a Zsa Zsa Gabor dog."

Yet Kilbourn, who nudged a fallen bird, encouraging it into consciousness before it flew away, is all about

By Lisa Crawford Watson



love.

"Honestly, I was never a dog person," said Mom, "but Kilbourn is so playful, devoted, and loving. I told a dear priest friend I'd always appreciated St Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals, but I didn't completely get how dogs bring us into the world of the unknown, beyond language, to pure and unconditional love."

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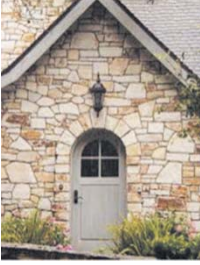
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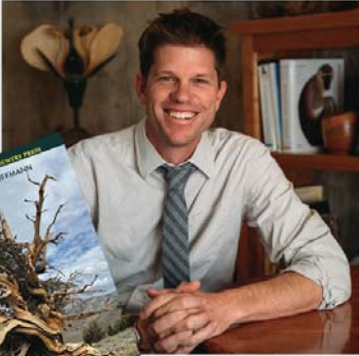
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Police & Sheriff's Log

They saw the light and took it in

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.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

Pacific Grove: Property was found near 12th Street and Lighthouse Avenue.

Carmel area: Online report of a code violation on Lower Trail.

Carmel area: Online report of harassment on Palo Colorado Road.

Carmel Valley: A 47-year-old male was arrested on Ronocco Road for violating a restraining order.

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle towed from Mission and Ocean at 0626 hours for being parked in a tow-away zone.

Pacific Grove: Civil issue regarding an injury at Ocean and Lincoln. A waste disposal employee was allegedly struck by a car door that opened from a parked vehicle. Minor injury was documented for informational purposes.

Pacific Grove: Report of a financial computer fraud on Seaview Avenue.

Pacific Grove: Report of vandalism to a public structure at Mermaid Avenue and Ocean View Boulevard. No suspect information.

Pacific Grove: Physical battery on Grand Avenue. Informational report.

Carmel Valley: Report of alleged emotional abuse on Carmel Valley Road.

Carmel Valley: Vandalism to a vacant home on Center Street.

Carmel Valley: Stolen property on Cachagua Road.

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in the Real Estate Section



The gavel falls

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

May 1 — Judge Mark E. Hood sentenced Joseph Thomas, 42, of Monterey, to two years in state prison for possession of fentanyl with the intent to sell.

Thomas was on post-release community supervision for two cases: possession of narcotics while armed with a firearm, and possessing controlled substances in the jail. Thomas was also on two grants of probation for battery, domestic violence, and resisting a police officer.

On Feb. 21, Monterey Police Department officers and detectives conducted a compliance search of Thomas' residence and vehicle. Inside Thomas' closet, detectives found methamphetamine, counterfeit Xanax, and fentanyl pills, as well as paraphernalia associated with the use of controlled substances. Upon review of Thomas' phone, detectives

found text messages indicating Thomas was selling narcotics.

This case was investigated by Monterey Police Detective Wayland Kopp.

May 2 — Judge Jennifer O'Keefe sentenced Ashique Kabri Jashay Lane, 28, a resident of Stockton, to a term of three years in state prison for pandering by procuring a person for prostitution.

On Jan. 26, the Salinas Police Department conducted an undercover operation as part of a national effort to combat human trafficking known as Operation Reclaim and Rebuild. Salinas Police detectives and officers worked in collaboration with the Monterey County District Attorney's Office, as well as other local law enforcement agencies, to tar-

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Two arrested for sexual assaults

By KELLY NIX

TWO MEN who Pacific Grove Police recently arrested for sexual assault — including one they say raped a girl and committed other child sex crimes — have been charged by county prosecutors for the alleged offenses.

On July 4, police said that a woman went to the station on Pine Avenue to report that her “significant other,” Paul Michael Akiaten, 45, had attacked her.

“Following the investigation, it was determined that the victim had been



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Paul Michael Akiaten

sexually assaulted and battered,” Cmdr. Brian Anderson told The Pine Cone Tuesday.

Akiaten, a Pacific Grove resident, was arrested and booked into the Monterey County Jail on suspicion of multiple crimes.

‘By means of force’

On July 7, the Monterey County District Attorney’s Office charged him with nine felony counts, including rape and sodomy by force or fear, forced oral copulation, false imprisonment by force and corporal injury to a spouse. He and the victim have at least one child, according to the criminal complaint.

Prosecutors say Akiaten raped his spouse “by means of force, violence, duress, menace and fear of immediate and unlawful bodily injury.”

He entered a not-guilty plea during his July 8 arraignment in a Salinas courtroom. Monterey County Superior Court Judge Stephanie Hulsey set July 23 for his

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MAN NABBED AFTER VANDALISM SPREE

By MARY SCHLEY

MONTEREY COUNTY Sheriff’s deputies arrested a 48-year-old Carmel man the morning of July 3 after he damaged several cars, threatened a person with a knife, threw a rock at a patrol car, kicked a sheriff’s K9, and broke into a house and hit the resident when she confronted him, according to Cmdr. Andy Rosas. Joshua MacClelland remained in Monterey County Jail this week on \$82,500 bail.

“Shortly after 7 a.m., we had multiple callers saying there was a person yelling, knocking trash cans over and vandalizing vehicles in the area of the 4100 block of Marguerita Way,” Rosas said. In addition, “it was reported he had threatened another resident with a knife.”

MacClelland also started throwing rocks at patio doors and windows of a house on Rio Vista Drive, causing damage, and then went inside, where a woman confronted him.

“There was a confrontation, and then he

struck the victim,” Rosas said. “She was able to call 911 as the suspect ran from the house.”

Deputies, including one with a K9, went to search the area and found MacClelland — who has a lengthy criminal record, including active felony cases filed in May and June — on Rio Vista near Cañada Drive.

“They attempted to talk to him, but he was not compliant,” he said. “During that initial contact, the subject basically picked up a rock and threw it at one of the patrol cars.”

‘Don’t touch’

Getting him under control and into custody required the use of a Taser and the K9, which MacClelland kicked, according to the sheriff’s office.

“The dog is fine, but you don’t put your hands on the dog,” Rosas said. In fact, the California Penal Code makes “assault on a police animal” with intent to inflict injury a felony.

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Why am I receiving this notice?

On July 1, 2025, California American Water Company (California American Water) filed its 2025 General Rate Case Application (A.25-07-003) with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). As part of the application, California American Water is requesting to increase rates to fund needed infrastructure improvements, water system maintenance, water quality initiatives, safety measures, and business operations, as well as to adjust for inflation. If the CPUC approves the application, forecasted costs will be recovered over a three-year period, affecting your water bill no sooner than January 2027.

Why is California American Water requesting this?

- California American Water is required to file an application with the CPUC every three years so that water rates accurately reflect the cost of providing safe, clean, and reliable water to customers.
- This multi-year plan enables the utility to upgrade and modernize the water system through proactive infrastructure improvements designed to keep water reliable for customers, make its communities safer, prevent small problems from getting bigger and more expensive to fix, increase sustainability, and provide high-quality service, both now and in the future.
- Some of the key projects California American Water proposes in this cycle are to: replace six miles of water mains per year, rehabilitate three water storage tanks per year, construct new backwash tanks at the Begonia Iron Removal Plant, and replace aging hydropneumatic tanks.

How could this affect my water bill?

If California American Water’s proposal is approved by the CPUC as filed, beginning in 2027, the average residential bill for each Central Division Service Area with a 5/8”x3/4” meter would increase by the following:

MONTEREY SERVICE AREA - AVERAGE RESIDENTIAL BILL INCREASE						
Year	Meter Size	Average Use (CGL*)	Current Bill	\$ Increase	Proposed Bill	% Increase
2027	5/8-inch	34.09	\$124.77	\$17.59	\$142.36	14.10%
2028	5/8-inch	34.09	\$142.36	\$4.32	\$146.68	3.04%
2029	5/8-inch	34.09	\$146.68	\$5.61	\$152.29	3.83%

CENTRAL SATELLITES SERVICE AREA - AVERAGE RESIDENTIAL BILL INCREASE						
Year	Meter Size	Average Use (CGL*)	Current Bill	\$ Increase	Proposed Bill	% Increase
2027	5/8-inch	74.41	\$127.69	\$4.51	\$132.20	3.53%
2028	5/8-inch	74.41	\$132.20	\$3.17	\$135.37	2.40%
2029	5/8-inch	74.41	\$135.37	\$3.25	\$138.62	2.40%

CHUALAR SERVICE AREA - AVERAGE RESIDENTIAL BILL INCREASE						
Year	Meter Size	Average Use (CGL*)	Current Bill	\$ Increase	Proposed Bill	% Increase
2027	5/8-inch	116.59	\$47.32	\$1.14	\$48.45	2.40%
2028	5/8-inch	116.59	\$48.45	\$1.16	\$49.61	2.40%
2029	5/8-inch	116.59	\$49.61	\$1.19	\$50.80	2.40%

*1 CGL = 100 Gallons

These adjustments to rates would allow for Central Division revenue increases of \$16,893,473 in 2027 , \$3,697,223 in 2028, and \$4,801,464 in 2029, which will offset the additional cost of needed infrastructure improvements, water system maintenance, water quality initiatives, safety measures, business operations, and to adjust for inflation.

CENTRAL DIVISION PROPOSED REVENUE REQUEST							
	2027		2028		2029		
	\$ Increase	% Increase	\$ Increase	% Increase	\$ Increase	% Increase	Total \$ Increase
Residential	\$8,000,264	15.63%	\$1,774,797	3.00%	\$2,332,051	3.83%	\$12,107,112
Multi-residential	\$1,542,132	15.61%	\$328,978	2.88%	\$449,527	3.83%	\$2,320,637
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Industrial	\$29,329	16.58%	\$6,248	3.03%	\$8,129	3.83%	\$43,706
Public Authority	\$1,325,161	17.36%	\$280,366	3.13%	\$353,466	3.83%	\$1,958,993
Sales for Resale	\$50,281	348.18%	\$2,039	3.15%	\$2,554	3.83%	\$54,874
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Private Fire Protection Service	\$145,370	17.63%	\$49,384	5.09%	\$39,004	3.83%	\$233,758
Miscellaneous Revenues	\$14,857		\$15,395		\$11,404		\$41,657
Total	\$16,893,473		\$3,697,223		\$4,801,464		\$25,392,161

How does the rest of this process work?

This application will be assigned to a CPUC Administrative Law Judge, who will consider proposals and evidence presented during the formal hearing process. The Administrative Law Judge will issue a proposed decision that may adopt California American Water’s application, modify it, or deny it. Any CPUC Commissioner may sponsor an alternate decision with a different outcome. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon by the CPUC Commissioners at a public CPUC Voting Meeting.

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GROUP LOBBIES AGENCY OVER PENINSULA WATER AHEAD OF MEETING

By KELLY NIX

SLOW-GROWTH group LandWatch is trying to persuade staff of the California Public Utilities Commission to reject the water supply and demand projections that the agency’s own judges determined are reasonable to meet the Monterey Peninsula’s long-term needs.

On May 9, PUC administrative law judges Robert Haga and Jack Chang concurred with California American Water’s projected 2050 water demand figure of 13,732 acre-feet per year and current annual water supply of 11,204 acre-feet. Cal Am maintains its proposed desalination plant is the only means of providing enough water to meet the Peninsula’s future requirements, and the PUC’s judges agreed.

Meetings with staff

On Monday, though, LandWatch Monterey County said it’s asking the PUC to override the judges’ decision when it meets July 24 in San Francisco to rule on the Peninsula’s water supply needs.

“LandWatch has been meeting with PUC staff and advisors to show them visually, in a PowerPoint, why the agency’s proposed demand forecast of 13,732 acre-feet per year is factually wrong,” Landwatch executive director Michael DeLapa said.

The group is requesting in part that commission staff make “substantial revisions” to the preliminary decision including a

demand estimate of no more than 11,200 acre-feet and ensuring that it does not rely on “inflated demand projections.”

“For context, the PUC’s vote is the



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A rendering shows the proposed configuration of California American Water’s desalination plant in Marina.

most consequential decision for Monterey Peninsula water ratepayers in the past 50 years, and maybe longer,” DeLapa said. PUC commissioners “will decide whether the demand for water on the Monterey Peninsula is so great and so immediate that Cal Am can effectively justify their unnecessary, unaffordable and environmentally damaging desalination plant.”

If the commission adopts the proposed decision, Cal Am shareholders will profit at the expense of Monterey Peninsula ratepayers, he added.

Water security

The PUC’s preliminary decision in May, DeLapa said, assumes that the

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P.G. council moves ahead with ‘land acknowledgement’

By KELLY NIX

THE PACIFIC Grove City Council this week started the process of developing a written statement to recognize indigenous groups who originally inhabited Monterey County.

On Wednesday night, that council directed the city’s diversity, equity and inclusion task force to come up with “language for a land and ancestral peoples acknowledgment.”

“Acknowledging the traditional territories of Indigenous communities is a growing practice among governmental bodies and organizations as a step towards reconciliation, cultural recognition, and fostering respectful relationships,” according to the report to the city council submitted by Councilman Chaps Poduri.

The statement “requires careful research, thoughtful consideration and engagement with relevant communities and best practices. The task force for diversity, equity, and inclusion is uniquely positioned to lead this critical development phase due to its mandate to foster a more inclusive and equitable community,” the report goes on to say.

‘Colonialism’

Councilwoman Tina Rau — a former member of the city’s DEI task force — proposed a land acknowledgment in December 2024. She asked that a statement be read aloud by a different council member at each meeting following the Pledge of Allegiance.

“Colonialism is an ongoing process, and we need to be mindful about our present participation,” Rau stated.

Once the DEI panel develops the language, the city council will review it for possible adoption.

Pacific Grove Unified School District board of trustees in 2023 began reading its own acknowledgment at meetings to “honor the indigenous people of the area, including the Ohlone, Costanoan and Esselen nations.”

‘Performative gesture’

However, such acknowledgments have come under scrutiny for being little more than feel-good measures.

That sentiment and others were discussed in a lengthy article by two University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill associate professors — who are also members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the Choctaw Nation — and a San Diego professor.

The statements, they said, often fail to include that indigenous groups owned

the land, describing indigenous peoples as mere “stewards” or “custodians.” The agenda report by Poduri, the council liaison for the DEI task force, refers to indigenous people as having been “stewards.”

“Too often, land acknowledgments are little more than highly performative, feel-good empty gestures, signaling ideological conformity to a naïve, left-wing, paint-by-numbers approach to social justice,” according to the university professors.

In 2021, the American Anthropological Association officially paused them at the behest of the Association for Indigenous Anthropologists, which advocated for a panel to investigate the gestures as part of

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Step toward ‘reconciliation’ or an ‘empty gesture’?

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Covid memorial construction begins

By CHRIS COUNTS

AFTER FOUR years of planning and fundraising, construction started last week on a memorial to honor Monterey County residents who died of Covid during the pandemic. The memorial will be installed next to the Monterey County government building at 168 W. Alisal St.

“After significant fundraising efforts, the memorial finally broke ground last week and is expected to be completed by the end of November,” reported Supervisor Luis Alejo, who raised the topic with his colleagues in 2021. The county shared a photo of construction workers at the site this week building forms and preparing to pour concrete.

According to Alejo, the memorial will soon “pay tribute to those we’ve lost in Monterey County” and keep their memories alive.

“This permanent memorial will be a peaceful space for individuals to reflect

and remember their loved ones,” Alejo said.

Cost is \$300,000

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A memorial to local residents who died during the Covid pandemic is taking shape next to the county government building in Salinas.



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Monterey County ‘not compliant’

■ Grand jury found fault with payroll data

By KELLY NIX

MONTEREY COUNTY did not fully comply with a California law that requires counties to report payroll data to the State Controller’s Office, the agency said. The county has a history of not reporting the information or submitting incomplete data.

But a county official told The Pine Cone that while it provided the payroll information, officials from the state controller’s office asked for more information.

Monterey County is one of only two in California that State Controller Malia M. Cohen said on June 25 “failed to file or provided incomplete information” regarding the number of employees on its payroll and the total amount in annual wages and retirement and health benefits.

The controller requires cities, counties and special districts to disclose compensation data every year.

Transparency

“This report is a vital tool in promoting fiscal transparency and accountability in local government,” Cohen said. “Californians deserve to know how public funds are being spent and who is being paid with their tax dollars.”

Monterey County Auditor Controller Rupa Shah told The Pine Cone on June 26 that while the county submitted the data to the state by the April 30 deadline, state officials on May 27 had questions for the county about some of the information.

“Since then, the auditor-controller’s office has been working closely with the

state to address these inquiries and revise the report accordingly,” Shah explained. “We anticipate submitting the updated version by the end of this week.”

‘No policy in place’

This isn’t the first time Monterey County has had payroll reporting issues. In 2018-2019, the Monterey County Grand Jury launched an investigation after The Pine Cone reported that it had not submitted the information in 2015, 2016 and 2017.

“They were non-compliant, and they have no policy in place to avoid future late filings,” the jury said about Monterey County in its 2019 report.

Nearby San Benito County was the only other state jurisdiction that did not meet the controller’s reporting requirements for the 2024 information.

California began requiring payroll data in 2010 after fallout from the City of Bell in which it was revealed that the city manager was making nearly \$800,000 a year and other public employees were also making “unreasonably large” salaries. The scandal made international news.

The state controller also maintains and publishes payroll data for state departments, the University of California and California State Universities, and it requests compensation information from superior courts, community college districts, K-12 education, First 5 commissions, and fairs and expositions.

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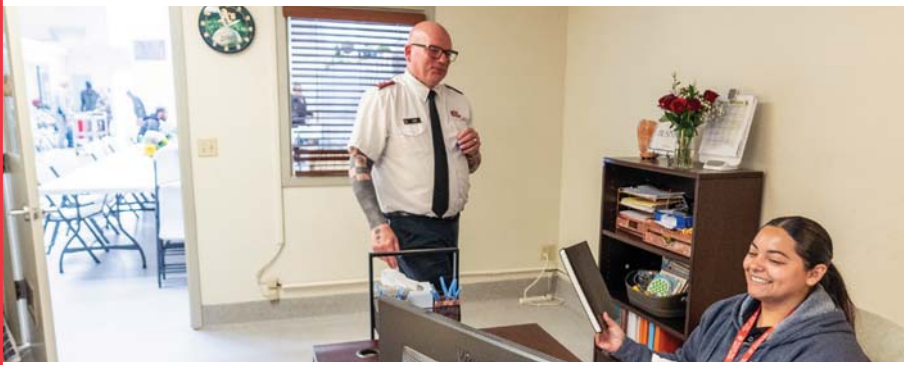
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Mishap lands Big Sur bobcat in rehab

By CHRIS COUNTS

AFTER BEING injured last month near Andrew Molera State Park in Big Sur, a young female bobcat was released in the park July 7 after a three-week stint at the SPCA of Monterey County’s wildlife center. “She’s doing much better, and now we’re able to release her back into the park,” reported Sara Howlett of California State Parks.

A video of the bobcat being released in a meadow in the park shows that she is hesitant when her cage is opened, but soon bolts for freedom.

According to Beth Brookhouser of the SPCA, the animal was found near the park June 19.

“She was probably hit by car,” Brookhouser told The Pine Cone. “She had no broken bones, but she was ataxic, which means she had a lack of muscle coordination and an unsteady gate, and she was bleeding from the nose.”

The bobcat spent a week inside the

wildlife center, and another two weeks in an outdoor pen.

“She received intensive care, antibiotics and pain meds,” Brookhouser explained.

The feline was moved outside when she became feisty.

“She started to act more like a bobcat,” she said. “That’s a good sign — we like our patients to be mad at us.”

Ready for return

Brookhouser said the bobcat was held until staff determined she could stay alive in the wild. When that day arrived, they contacted State Parks and set a date for the release. All animals are required to be released near the site where they were found.

The SPCA, which relies on donations, takes in more than 2,500 wild animals each year that are injured, sick or orphaned before they are old enough to fend for themselves. Currently the wildlife center is caring for 184 animals, including a great horned owl.

‘That’s a good sign — we like our patients to be mad at us’

LAWSUIT

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who told The Pine Cone at the time that he was convinced he was going to be shot in the back as he ran away — and was seen walking down Monte Verde with the rifle pointed in the air and dragging a plastic street barricade behind him.

Marshall then talked to a passerby who later told police that “the man with an assault-type rifle told him, ‘There’s gonna be blood in the streets. Blood is gonna be spilled,’” the report said.

“As the witness walked past Mr. Marshall in his front yard, Mr. Marshall told him, ‘I’m gonna shoot you. I’m gonna shoot you in the head,’” the DA’s report recounted.

Officers set up a perimeter, and Police Chief Paul Tomasi told Marshall to stop and drop his weapon. He did but then picked it up again and jumped the fence into his yard. Sgt. Gerald Maldonado tried to subdue Marshall with beanbag rounds, but the impact had no effect, other than to cause him to again drop the gun, which subsequent examination revealed was a CO2-powered BB gun.

Lunged forward

Officers ran up the driveway and found him in the backyard using the crowbar to break a glass door in a guesthouse, and Marshall “positioned himself behind a door and corrugated metal sheets that were propped against a wooden railing,” according to the DA’s report. As officers ordered him to get on the ground, he ignored them, knocked down the door he was holding with the crowbar and continued to advance, despite being hit with three more beanbag rounds.

“After the third shot, Mr. Marshall held the crowbar in both hands and positioned it

like a spear at chest level, with the straight end pointed toward Sgt. Maldonado. Mr. Marshall screamed and lunged forward toward Sgt. Maldonado,” which prompted officer Rene Guevara to fire six shots.

The officers didn’t immediately know one of those rounds had hit Marshall, who still walked toward them. After they subdued and handcuffed him, he’s heard on bodycam footage saying, “I’m sorry, dude. I don’t know what I did,” the report says.

The officers provided first aid until medics arrived and transported Marshall to Natividad Medical Center, which has the county’s only trauma center, where he was pronounced dead. An autopsy revealed a bullet had entered through his right abdomen and right lung, and lodged in his back. A drug screen completed by Central Valley Toxicology showed Marshall had THC, the psychoactive chemical found in marijuana, and GHB, a drug similar to ecstasy, in his system.

No crime committed

Despite the DA’s report, the entire incident amounted to “excessive and unreasonable force,” according to Barrett’s lawsuit.

“This action is in the public interest as the plaintiff seeks by means of this civil rights action to hold accountable those responsible for the serious bodily injury inflicted by the individual defendant and by the city’s ratification, failure to train, and policy of inaction in the face of serious constitutional violations, as well as the unlawful custom and practice with respect to the use of force,” the suit says.

Marshall “suffered serious bodily injury, pre-death pain and suffering, loss of enjoyment of life, and loss of life,” and Barrett “suffered the life-long loss of her son as a direct and proximate result” of the officers’ actions.

Her suit says police “used negligent

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P.G. removes Covid-era parklets

By KELLY NIX

THE LAST of the Covid-era dining structures that allowed people to eat outside in Pacific Grove are being torn down. On Monday, a city crew dismantled several parklets on Lighthouse and Central avenues, which freed up numerous parking spaces. “This week the Red House, PG Meetinghouse/Nura Sushi and il vecchio parklets were removed,” city manager Matt Mogensen told The Pine Cone Thursday.

The city council in April approved a plan that sought to eliminate all city parklets by the fall. They also offered an incentive to business owners. “The incentive consisted of the city removing the parklets [at no expense to restaurant operators] if the owners” agreed by June 30 to have them removed before the Oct. 31 deadline, Mogensen explained. “The remaining parklets at Vivolo’s Chowder House, International Cuisine and

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FORCE

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tactics in contacting decedent before, during and after the use of excessive and unreasonable force,” and that she heard her son yell, “Help!” before he was shot. “The officers chased decedent down into his own backyard, surrounded him, contained him, and trapped him,” the suit says. It states the officers failed to give him commands or warn him they would use force, and that they didn’t give him a chance to comply. The lawsuit also says Marshall “was not moving toward” the officers, who had “distance, space, cover and time available to them.” And after the shooting, they “delayed and/or denied decedent medical care,” in part by sending him to the trauma center “nearly 40 minutes away,” rather than to the closest hospital. “The defendants failed to de-escalate the situation, utilize, consider, and/or exhaust several reasonable less-intrusive alternatives available, safe, and feasible to the defendants prior to the use of force,” Barrett’s complaint says, and they exhibited “deliberate indifference and reckless

disregard for decedent’s constitutional rights.” As a result of the officers’ actions, Barrett “has suffered the loss of decedent’s love, care, comfort, society, companionship, assistance, protection, affection, moral support, financial support, and loss of services,” as well as “severe emotional distress from being present on scene and knowing that defendant officers were shooting her son.”

‘Negligence’

Their actions violated Marshall’s Fourth Amendment protections from unreasonable search and seizure, Barrett’s 14th Amendment right to “a familial relationship with her son” and Marshall’s rights to “life, liberty or property.” Barrett also accuses the city of failing to adequately train police, battery and negligence. Therefore, according to her complaint, she is entitled “to an award of exemplary and punitive damages from the individual officers,” and compensation from taxpayers, as well as attorney fees and costs. Barrett filed a claim for damages with the city in April, but it was rejected July 2, according to her lawsuit. City attorney Brian Pierik said this week the city has yet to be served with the lawsuit and has no comment.

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might take over after Logan’s lease is up in February 2026. She said she wants the space to “be a good place for the

community” and is open to ideas on what that should be. “Whatever his point of view is, we want to explore something different than what he’s doing,” she said. “The main reason we went looking for someone was because he did not want to pay the rent.” Logan said he offered to match whatever Sneeh is willing to pay.

“I said I would stay and match Dametra’s offer, and they said no because they are also getting a piece of the action and want to operate a high-end cocktail lounge,” he said. Martinez said they began asking around to learn what others’ impressions of Sade’s are, and “in the process of talking to people, we found people who are interested in that space.” “We got excited about other opportunities,” she said. “There are a lot of conversations going on, but nothing is happening.” Sneeh admitted he’s spoken with Logan’s landlords but said no deals have been struck. “It came to my attention a while ago that the landlord was maybe not going to give a new lease to Parker,” he said. “I told the landlord and Parker that if he’s continuing there, I wish him the best of luck, but if he is leaving regardless, I would like to get a chance to see if it’s a potential business for me.” Sneeh said he is “trying to figure out if there is potential” for a different type of bar in Sade’s small space, and if there is, he will shop for a liquor license. Logan said he’s not selling his. “They are becoming rarer and rarer and very expensive,” Sneeh said.

‘Meet me at Sade’s’

If Logan loses his lease and Sade’s closes, it will mean the end of an era. For many decades, the establishment was located on the south side of Ocean between Lincoln and Monte Verde and served food as well as drinks. Its Carmel Pine Cone ads from the 1950s and 1960s boast that it was “nationally famous for food” and bore the tagline, “Meet me at Sade’s.” Even an ad in the Dec. 11, 1941, issue of the Carmel Cymbal that was published just days after Japanese fighters bombed Pearl Harbor promoted the bar and restaurant. “Meet me at Sade’s for cocktails,” the ad said, while claiming the place was “nationally known for its true Carmel atmosphere.” The ad appeared under one for the Blue Bird Tea Room, which was offering dinner from 4 to 7 p.m., “regardless of blackout.”

Sade’s has seen numerous ownership changes over the years, as well as controversies. In 1977, it was the scene of a drug raid, and at one point, contained two unlicensed gaming machines, according to news coverage. Later, it also apparently had an illegal jukebox. In January 1981, after a group that had recently purchased Sade’s received its license to operate, then-city administrator Robert Griggs told one of the new owners that “the coin-operated machine playing music in the lounge is not licensed by the city and should be removed,” according to a Pine Cone article.

Late nights

In 1989, Frank Grupe bought Sade’s, and five years later, he relocated it to the space on Lincoln Street, where it became a well-known hangout for smoking and day drinking, as well as after-dark partying. Logan worked there for several years before buying the bar in late 2018 and receiving his business license in early 2019. He cleaned up the space, including bringing several aspects of it into compliance with the codes, only to be sidelined by Covid a year later. When the state loosened its rules for serving alcohol outside, he built a parklet in front of the bar to serve patrons al fresco — and fought strenuously for the right to keep it, though the city council ultimately banned the outdoor dining areas that had been erected in parking spots during the pandemic. While three establishments have the privilege of operating as bars, only Sade’s is consistently open until 2 a.m., making it the go-to spot for late-night revelers and hospitality workers getting done with their evening shifts. It also has a devoted group of regulars, as well as visitors who make a point of stopping there anytime they’re in town.

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CHIEF

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decisions that had to be made — it’s been busier than I thought it would be,” Tomasi said last week.

The city council was in the midst of a years-long debate over what to do about the dismal state of the police station and had formed ad hoc committees to figure out the best way to manage the city’s ambulance service and how to implement the city’s license-plate-reading surveillance system. All of that, along with running the department and dealing with chronic understaffing that had him responding to calls and filling officers’ shifts, has been on Tomasi’s shoulders.

“Working here has been like a dream — I love it here — but being the chief, it’s 24/7,” he said. “My phone’s always on, I’m always alert, I’m always taking calls.”

He was on scene during the fatal shooting of James Marshall, 27, on Monte Verde Street after Marshall was seen carrying a crowbar and what turned out to be an assault-rifle-style BB gun and subsequently faced off with police in his backyard.

“That was a lot to go through for any of us,” he said.

Now, as he’s looking at his final few weeks — and departing the job just before Car Week and its inherent craziness descends — he said, “My biggest message is how grateful I am that the city asked me to come back to take on this role.”

And, he said, “we’ve accomplished a ton in two years.”

‘Would be perfect’

Progress is being made — or so it appears — on the next steps for a police-station rebuild, the City of Monterey has taken over the ambulance service, a half-dozen security cameras are online, and more people have been hired, including Trayer.

Tomasi found the commander by asking

other chiefs and highly ranked officers for prospective candidates, all with the idea that person might eventually become chief. He said a commander at Pacific Grove P.D. tipped him off to Trayer.

Visiting from San Jose, Trayer did a ride-along with Tomasi, “and I knew right away, just by his personality and his experience, that he would be perfect,” Tomasi said. “We have so much in common, it’s almost like I knew him forever. We just hit it off.”

He predicted Trayer would connect with the community and would care about it, would understand what the residents, businesses and visitors in the village need, and would provide the same for the department’s officers and staff.

Seven months later, Trayer was onboard, and Tomasi was further reassured his impressions were not wrong.

“The commander is amazing,” Tomasi said. “We found a really strong leader who’s bridged relationships with the community and within the department.”

Integrity

Tomasi said he doesn’t have a plan for his retirement, other than to catch his breath and spend time with his wife and kids, but he might look into teaching, which he did before shifting to a career in law enforcement.

“I really like teaching leadership and development — maybe it’s the next generation of leaders, or maybe it’s the next generation of officers,” he said.

And he’s confident Carmel P.D. will be just fine.

“I’m at a point where I can walk away and know they’re in good hands,” he said.

Trayer said he’s honored to have been chosen to step into the chief’s role and grateful for Tomasi’s leadership and mentorship. He also recalled being impressed with Tomasi’s integrity “and how like-minded he is in caring for the community.”

“I think he’s leaving a very lasting impact with me and with the team here,”

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EPIC

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graduated from Monterey High School in 2003. “Like all boats, it was in worse condition than expected,” he said. “We didn’t make it out of Europe for a year.”

The couple crossed the Atlantic Ocean back to the United States in their revamped boat in 2018. “It took 25 days to cross,” he observed.

They ran into some challenges around the Carolinas due to engine trouble and had to rely on their sails.

Eventually, they settled in Rhode Island, where they repaired the engine, made new sails and began preparing for the trip through the Northwest Passage. They stayed there for more than two years — in part due to the restrictions imposed during Covid.

A software engineer who has written two successful books about his sailing adventures, Pennington said the boat needed to be in prime shape for the icy Northwest Passage route.

“There’s not a lot of room for equipment failure,” he explained. “I took the whole boat apart and put it back together again.”

In 2022, the boat was ready to be tested, so the family took it on a trip to the Caribbean Sea. “The boat did well,” he reported.

Northwest Passage trip

In June 2023, the family, including 6-year-old Dean, left Rhode Island and sailed up the west coast of Greenland, which is the easier route. “Ice stays off the west coast of Greenland,” Pennington noted.

The boat crossed the Labrador Sea and Baffin Bay, where they ran into ice and had to wait for it to thaw before continuing

their voyage.

What was it like sailing through the Northwest Passage?

“It was not a vacation,” Pennington said. “We were working hard the whole time.”

The family sailed for six weeks straight, stopping only four times for overnight stays on land. They also stopped at local settlements along the route for diesel oil.

Pennington said they sailed their boat for about 60 percent of the trip, relying on



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Kara (left) and Dean Pennington get a close look at icebergs along their sailing journey through the Northwest Passage.

the diesel engine the rest of the time.

“It’s not a big or powerful engine,” he explained. “If there was any wind at all, we were sailing.”

Not surprisingly, the weather was lousy.

“It was quite cold and rarely above freezing,” he recalled. “It was damp and almost always windy. We were very warmly dressed. There’s was lots of fog, and we had to watch for ice.”

They encountered icebergs as big as “small towns.” “The sea ice was even worse,” he said. “It doesn’t show up on radar, it moves around in big packs, and you can get trapped in it.”

Despite the harsh conditions, the family encountered stunning natural beauty on the

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Dean’s big adventure

According to Pennington, only about 200 boats have ever done the journey through their passage — and his was likely the only one that towed a small toy boat behind it.

The boat was crafted by Dean after he saw similar toys made by local children. He attached it to the larger boat by a string and kept a close eye on its progress as it bobbed along the surface.

“Dean’s mission was to sail his toy boat through the passage,” his dad told the newspaper. “He would sit at the stern of the boat watching it for hours. He would fall asleep watching it — it was a big entertainment factor for him.”

Keeping a 6-year-old engaged is a challenge under normal circumstances, but Dean adapted to the adventure, his father said.

“He grew interested in oceanography and our navigational challenges,” Pennington noted. “He loved watching the icebergs roll. I would leave him at the at helm when I went to make a cup of coffee.”

The family finally made it through the

passage in early fall. “It takes an entire summer to break up the ice,” Pennington said.

The family hunkered down in Seward, Alaska for the winter of 2023-2024. “We had a lot of fun digging ourselves out of the snow,” he recalled.

In the northernmost state, they were able to get a close look at glaciers.

“The glaciers in Alaska are small and very user-friendly,” he explained. “The glaciers in Greenland are the size of skyscrapers and a lot more dangerous. In Alaska, you can go right up to a glacier and pick ice for a cocktail.”

When winter was over, the family sailed down the west coast of Canada, eventually arriving in Port Townshend, Wash., where they spent the winter of 2024-2025 before sailing south to Monterey, where they arrived in May, two years after the trip began.

Not surprisingly, the family’s stay here is just for the summer — they’re already feeling the pull of the sea.

“We’re catching up with friends and family before heading south,” he added. “We’re planning to take little Dean to see some of our favorite places in the Pacific, and we’re going to eventually loop back up to Alaska.”

Pennington’s two books, “Orca” and “Thicker than Ice,” are available through Amazon.



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JEAN MARIE SANCHEZ

Jean Marie Sanchez peacefully passed away at her home of 63 years on Sunday, July 6, 2025. Jean was the only child of Anthony and Marie Lopez and was born at their home in Pacific Grove on June 15, 1933. She had a wonderful childhood, spending many happy hours at her parents' store, Central Grocery, on Lighthouse Avenue in Monterey, skating at her uncle Manuel Lopez's skating rink, Del Monte Gardens, and enjoying weekends at the family cabin on the Carmel River. Jean attended Bayview Elementary School, Monterey High School and Monterey Peninsula College.

In 1946, Central Grocery hired Eugene "Tod" Sanchez as a stock boy. In February of 1949, Tod and Jean began dating and on July 12, 1953, they were married at St. Angela's Church. Jean and Tod had three children, and Jean was a very involved mother, sewing ballet costumes, cheer leading uniforms and bridesmaid dresses. She was an avid quilter, making many gifts for friends and family. She was also a Girl Scout leader, a member of The Lighthouse Keepers service organization and volunteered with the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro Am for more than 20 years, serving on the uniform distribution committee which was chaired by Tod. Jean was an amazing cook and hostess, creating a welcoming home that Tod designed in Monterey in 1962. Jean worked 10 years for the Diocese of Monterey when she decided to retire to help take care of her grandchildren. In their retirement years, Tod and Jean traveled the world, visiting more than 33 countries. Many of these trips were with dear friends.



We always say that no one is perfect, but Jean was close to it. Her dedication to her family and friends was like no other and we are all so lucky to have had her as a wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend. We also want to thank the loving caregivers who helped to care for Jean these last six years, Heidi, Mayra, Rukhmani and Angel. We are truly blessed to have had these wonderful women help care for Jean.

Jean is survived by her husband of 72 years, Eugene "Tod" Sanchez; children, Marsha Leadingham (Dave), Cynthia Windsor (Keith) and Steven Sanchez (Julie); grandchildren, Valerie Hill (Ken), Brian Leadingham (Alyssa) Kelly Sanchez (Audrey), Claire Sanchez (Daniel) and Alison Windsor; as well as great-grandchildren, Maxim Hill, Ginny Sanchez and Everly Leadingham.

Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 7 at San Carlos Cathedral. Mission Mortuary will oversee the service. Donations can be made in Jean's memory to Hospice of the Central Coast, 30 Ryan Court, Ste. 250, Monterey, CA 93940 or San Carlos Cathedral, 500 Church St., Monterey, CA 93940.

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CRIMES

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preliminary hearing. Jail records showed Akiaten was still behind bars as of Wednesday afternoon, with bail set at \$510,000.

On July 3 at about 1:19 a.m., P.G. Police officers responding to a report of a municipal code violation interviewed occupants of a vehicle on the 1600 block of Sunset Drive.

"During the contact and subsequent investigation, a female juvenile disclosed sexual activity with an adult male," Anderson said. "The suspect, Sebastian Bena-vides-Camacho, 19, of Seaside was arrested and trans-ported to the Monterey County Jail."

On July 7, county prosecutors charged Camacho with felony counts of oral copulation of a girl under 18 years old, unlawful sexual intercourse with the girl, and provid-ing marijuana to her. He's also charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor. He "provided Jane Doe with alcohol," the criminal complaint alleges.

The rape charge was filed under California Penal Code 261.5(c), which defines a type of statutory rape in which someone engages in sexual intercourse with a minor who is more than three years younger than them. In Camacho's case, it means the girl whom police say he assaulted is 15 or younger.

Court records show that Camacho had a \$15,000 bond and has since paid it and been released from jail. A judge set his arraignment for July 23 in a Salinas courtroom.

Anderson urged P.G. residents to report "any suspicious or harmful behavior involving vulnerable individuals, par-ticularly children and victims of domestic violence," and offered praise to those involved in the recent sexual assault cases.

"We commend the victims in these cases for their cour-age in coming forward," he said, "and we thank the offi-cers who handled both investigations with professionalism and urgency."

DETAINED

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guilty to DUI and enhancements in 2022, Contreras acknowledged on a court document that his "plea of guilty or no contest may result in immigration consequences such as deportation, exclusion from admission into the United States, and denial of naturalization or amnesty."

His supporters and friends say his family needs him here since he's the primary caregiver for one of his sons, who has severe autism.

Contreras' adult "daughter wrote a beautiful letter on his behalf to say that no one else can manage her brother, and his life would be extremely degraded in quality if he lost his father," Adams wrote.

Contreras' attorney, Sylvia Rodezno, has declined to comment about his deportation case. Citing "congressio-nal confidentiality rules," staff from Panetta's office also declined to comment.

KRISTI SMITH HERNANDEZ

Kristi Smith Hernandez was born in Portland, Oregon on October 5, 1950, and died at home in Saratoga, California on June 21, 2025. Kristi and her husband also maintained a residence in Pacific Grove, California. She is survived by her husband, Laurence Hernandez; her children, Mark (Beverly) of Portland, Oregon and Leslie (Jon) of Pacific Grove, California; and her five grandchildren, Lincoln, Walton, Ronin, Liam and James; siblings, Krin Henderson (Dan) and Bryce Smith and Jesse Smith (nephew). Kristi is preceded in death by her mother, Idella Smith, and her father, Ralph Smith.

Kristi graduated from Gresham High School in 1968. She graduated from Pomona College with a bachelor's degree in botany in 1972. During college, she interned for the National Park Service at Yosemite. She also worked for the US State Department. Kristi interned at Ely Lilly, Indianapolis, during her tenure at the Stanford Business School. Kristi graduated from Stanford Business School with an MBA in 1980.

Kristi had a love of travel that took her around the world. After business school she embarked on an expedition through Alaska and Denali National Park. She portaged and canoed across Canada one summer. She took our family on adventures to the Yucatan Peninsula, which entailed exploration of Tulum, Cobá and Xcalak. There were adventures through England and France, and one memorable trip through Italy in 2006 when Italy won the World Cup. Together, Kristi and Larry traveled to Amsterdam, London, Paris, Bruges, walked the Camino in Spain, Italy, Budapest, Barcelona, Prague, Buenos Aires, Chile and had a love for the Hawaiian islands.



Professionally, Kristi had a diverse career. After graduating from Pomona College, she was an inspector/investigator and a public affairs officer for the US Food & Drug Administration in San Francisco. She was a product manager for Gold Medal Flour at General Mills in Minneapolis and a product manager at Del Monte in San Francisco. She transitioned to forensic accounting and spent more than 20-years in the field at a practice in San Jose, California.

Kristi was an active philanthropist with numerous causes that were important to her. She was active with the Junior League of San Jose, she coached for Special Olympics, coached soccer for AYSO, supported her son's Boy Scout troop, and was deeply involved with the Sovereign Order of St. John of Jerusalem, Knights Hospitaller, serving as commander of the St. Joseph Commandery. Kristi was a member of the board of directors of the San Jose Symphony Foundation. Kristi was a founding member of Project Redwood, an all-volunteer, nonprofit founded by her class at the Stanford Graduate School of Business that raised millions in funds and made grants to poverty alleviation projects around the world. She served in many roles over 20 years – as co-chair of the organization, as executive director, as co-chair of the development committee and on many other teams and committees. She also used her exceptional organizing skills to plan many Project Redwood annual in-person meetings. She was instrumental in assuring Project Redwood's continued growth and in creating a legacy of improving the lives of millions worldwide. Her dedication was appreciated and she was universally loved by her Project Redwood colleagues.

Kristi was a vibrant member of the community and the center of our family. She was generous, inclusive, joyful, funny and incredibly kind. She loved to garden, cook, travel and spend time with her family. She loved being a grandmother to her five grandchildren. She was a fighter to the very end. We will miss her deeply as we continue her legacy of social impact and community engagement.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation in Kristi's honor to one of the nonprofit organizations that was important to her: Project Redwood, Opera San Jose, San Jose Symphony Foundation, American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), Public Broadcasting Service (PBS), Planned Parenthood, The League of Women Voters, or Special Olympics.



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RETIRE

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Trayer said. “I’m appreciative.”

He said he’s been overwhelmed by people’s compassion and has felt welcome since the day he arrived, and that he’s committed to the city’s residents, business owners and visitors 24/7.

“My family and friends can attest to how many times a night I will check my phone or get a call, or someone will come over or I have to leave the room to have a conversation, because it’s that type of life,” he said. “But that’s OK — that’s what I signed up for 30 years ago.”

He said he’s honored when community members share their stories, including their struggles and difficulties, and want the department’s help and advice.

“For non-law-enforcement folks, it might seem taxing and overwhelming, but when you get to this stage of life in a law-enforcement job, it’s expected,” he said.

Trayer said he would accept the permanent post if offered but didn’t want to get ahead of himself.

“I want to make sure Paul gets his due,” he said. “I’m grateful that he came back to steer the ship in the right direction.”

Trayer has some ideas of what he’d do if put in charge, including improving technology to make the community and officers safer, and increasing community outreach.

In the meantime, he’s focusing on interviewing potential hires.

“There is a great group of people who have applied,” he said last week. “I think traditionally it has been hard to find people, but right now we have great people, and I’m excited for them. They want to work in Carmel, and for the right reasons.”

PARKLETS

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Peppers will all need to be removed by the end of October, but at the owner’s expense.”

While there were some ardent supporters of the parklets, they were installed during the Covid-19 pandemic and were never intended to be permanent. Others criticized the structures for being ugly and occupying parking spaces.

Wendi Giles, who owns the building that The PG Meetinghouse occupies, said she’s glad it’s gone.

“We were happy to build the parklet to help businesses impacted by Covid,” Giles told The Pine Cone, adding that it was an expensive endeavor but a great option for diners.

But Giles said it was time for the parklet to be removed, and she hoped that the city would be widening more sidewalks to make them available for tables, the way they did across the street from the Holman Building.

While Mogensen has said the city intends to eventually expand sidewalks in front of other restaurants for dining, he explained it would take several years for that to happen.

LAND

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a “deeper inquiry into the historical relationships between anthropology and American Indian and Alaska Native nations.”

Following adoptions of land acknowledgements by cities and institutions, plans are almost never made to give the land back “which creates a void that is often filled by another sentiment: ‘What was once yours is now ours,’” the professors said.

No land offered

Neither the Pacific Grove City Council nor the city’s DEI task force have proposed returning any city land to local indigenous people. However, state and federal dollars have been used to buy property in California for donation to indigenous groups, most recently including 1,720 acres along Tularcitos Creek in Upper Carmel Valley, which were purchased with taxpayer funds by the Wildlands Conservancy in 2023 and will be donated to the Esselen Tribe of Monterey County, it was announced in May.



JAN BURCHELL PENN
1951 – 2025
Monterey

It’s with great sadness that we announce the death of Jan Burchell Penn on July 7th, 2025, after a brave two-year battle with cancer. She was 73 years old.

Jan was born in Carmel on September 30th, 1951, to Bion and Helen Burchell, and grew up in the house her father built on Monterey’s Lobos Street. A lifelong resident of Monterey, she graduated from Monterey High School in 1969 and earned her associate’s degree from Monterey Peninsula College in 1971.

Involved in artistic roller skating since the age of 6, Jan competed for 15 years, including at the National Championships, and taught for 12 years. Roller skating became the family business when brother Keith bought Monterey’s Del Monte Gardens Skating Arena in 1997, and Jan took great joy in sharing her love of skating with her nephews, children, and grandchildren. She also worked for the Pediatric Group of Monterey and Paul Kagan Associates in Carmel.

Jan was an accomplished artist. She gifted portraits to family and friends, sold her work on Etsy, volunteered for Monte Vista Elementary’s art docent program, and painted stage sets for numerous productions at Monte Vista and Colton Middle School. Her home, too, was a work of art: She delighted in designing spaces that were both cozy and inspiring, creating inviting nooks and colorful vignettes. Pink and yellow walls, a forest green kitchen island, and collections of Fiestaware and vintage toys filled her home with playful exuberance, and she never met a white wall she wasn’t itching to paint. This exuberance extended to her personal style. When she lost her hair during chemotherapy, she gamely embraced fun, patterned headscarves and dangly statement earrings.

Jan was loving, kind, funny, smart, youthful, creative, brave, inspiring, thoughtful (she never forgot a birthday, not even the dogs!), and deeply, profoundly wise. She was a devoted friend, an antiques expert, and a vegetarian since the age of 19 (and a vegan since 2007). A master of puns, wordplay, and puzzles, she was proud of the Wordle streak she maintained even through multiple hospital stays. As a genealogy enthusiast and the keeper of photo albums and family memories, she was the go-to source for family history.

Jan is survived by her husband, Dr. George H. Penn of Monterey; daughter, Amanda Penn of Monterey; stepdaughter, Mary Kate Legaspi (Kenny) of Fresno; stepson, Michael Penn (Elizabeth) of San Carlos; grandsons, Joshua and Alex Legaspi of Fresno; brothers, Keith Burchell (Jenell) of Marina and Dennis Burchell of Phoenix, AZ; sister-in-law, Mary Penn and sons of Washington, PA; nephews, Greg Burchell (Tracy) of Salinas, Brad Burchell of Marina, and Patrick Burchell (Adrienne) of Mesa, AZ; and many other family members and friends who loved her dearly. She is also survived by her faithful terrier-mix, Olive. She was preceded in death by son Zachary Penn in 2015 and stepson Brian Penn in 2004.

A memorial service will begin at 11 a.m. July 25th, at The Paul Mortuary. Please visit www.thepaulmortuary.com to sign Jan’s guest book and leave a message for her family.

KURT ANDERS SORENSEN

1935-2025



Kurt Anders Sorensen passed away on February 7, 2025, at his home in Carmel, CA surrounded by his loving wife, Sandy Sorensen; sister-in-law, Malai Murphy and niece, Cecilie Chambers.

Kurt was born on August 21, 1935, to Paul and Camilla Sorensen in Henningsvaer, Norway, a fishing village in the Lofoten Islands. The Nazi’s occupation of Norway started on April 9, 1940. Kurt was 5 years old. The occupation lasted until May 9th, 1945. The people in the north were forced to move south. At that time Kurt’s father took the family to Nesodden, a small town south of Oslo.

In 1954, at age 19, Kurt served in the Norwegian army for two years. On his return from the military he worked in his father’s furniture factory. In 1961, he volunteered to serve in the United Nations Peacekeeping Forces representing Norway on the Gaza Strip. While there he traveled to several surrounding countries. His favorite city was Beirut. Kurt spoke excellent English and his commanding officer had Kurt act as an interpreter when they traveled nearby to obtain supplies for the military camp.

Upon his return he immigrated to the United States on a permanent green card on March 9, 1962. He settled in the Bay Area and began a new life in California. He was a successful businessman, first as a partner in Allied Packing & Supply Inc. When the company expanded, Kurt moved to Long Beach, California. It was there he met his soulmate, Sandy, and they married November 25, 1978. In 1995 he started his own company Allied Packing & Rubber Inc., which is still going strong with his dedicated employees Bennji, Nick, Abe, Elmer, Gabino and Ralph, in addition to his great management team, Lisa Bowers Olsen and Benny Deer. Ben and Kurt worked together for 30-plus years. Ben passed away on February 6, 2025. Kurt’s proudest moment was December 15, 1995 when he became a naturalized citizen. He believed the United States was the greatest country in the world.

Kurt and Sandy loved traveling. They took trips to Norway to see family, exploring countries nearby. Travel included cruises to Mexico, Europe, Alaska and the Caribbean, a rafting trip down the Colorado River, a business trip to Hong Kong, ski trips to Canada, Switzerland and multiple states in the U.S. Mammoth Mountain was his favorite. Kurt was an excellent skier, downhill, cross country and helicopter skiing. There were frequent trips to Hawaii and Mexico with friends and family. In 1985 Kurt and Sandy purchased land in Carmel Valley and began their plans to build their dream country house. In 2002 they found a local builder who completed the house in 2003. It was their piece of heaven.

Kurt is survived by his loving wife of 46 years, Sandy; his sister, Anna Elisa Lammetun (John); nieces, Anna Finley (Henry), Cecilie Chambers (Andre); nephews, Hakon Lammetun, Oivind Lammetun; in-laws, Tobie Praus (Vern), Melba Kubat (Dennis); nieces, Michelle Praus, Audra Kubat; nephews, Christopher Kubat (Diane), Malai Murphy; niece, Camilla Sorensen; many great-nieces and nephews and several great-great-nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to thank Hospice of the Central Coast, Westland House, Doctors Kehl, Vierra, Kamler, Mittakanti and Alexander and their staff for taking such excellent care of Kurt over the years.

A Celebration of Life will be held in late summer. Kurt will live in our hearts and memories forever. He was strong, courageous, resilient and very adventurous, a true Viking. He will always be with us. Rest in peace, my love.

Santa Catalina’s ‘fastest human’ achieves similar status at Yale

A SANTA Catalina alumnus is soaking up the atmosphere and history and getting a world-class education as a student-athlete at one of the top 10 universities in the world.

And somewhere on the list of things Juliette Kosmont has learned during her first two years at Yale University is this: She’s much faster than she thought.

Kosmont, a sprinter, stared at the scoreboard in disbelief last March in the finals of the Ivy League Indoor Track and Field Championships after finishing the 60-meter

a lot of confidence,” she said. “The entire team ran over to me for a big hug, which was really cool, and I consider that to be the highlight of my sophomore year.”

She was equally thrilled by her second-place finish in the indoor conference finals, where she had taken sixth the year before.

Record-setting freshman

When she arrived at Yale in the fall of 2023, the school’s 60-meter dash record was 7.57 seconds, set in 2016 by Sydney Cureton, now associate director of investments at Johns Hopkins University.

Kosmont vanquished that nine-year-old mark with a time of 7.55 on Feb. 10, 2024, at Yale’s Gergen-gack Invitational, the sixth meet of her collegiate career.

Fourteen days later, in the preliminaries of the 2024 conference championship meet, she lowered the mark to 7.52.

That was the standard until this year, when, on Feb. 7, she broke it twice in one



PHOTO/YALE ATHLETICS

Juliette Kosmont broke Yale’s school record in the 60-meter dash as a freshman and has bettered her time five more times — four this past season as a sophomore.

Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

dash in 7.43 seconds — a time that bested her own school record for the sixth time in her two-year career, and the fourth time in her sophomore season.

“For me, that was an amazing feeling, and a complete surprise, because my times leading up to that meet weren’t giving me



Juliette Kosmont’s mom, Deborah, was a high school hurdler, and her dad, Charles, played football. They celebrated together at the Ivy League Championships, where Juliette broke Yale’s school record for the sixth time.

PHOTO/COURTESY OF JULIETTE KOSMONT

day, at Harvard’s Crimson Elite Open, where she ran 7.51 in the prelims and 7:49 in the finals.

Eight days after that, on her own track, she beat it again with a 7.48 — a mark that lasted 14 days, until she logged the 7.43 at the 2025 Ivy League finals.

“I’ve totally loved my first two years at Yale,” said Kosmont, whose coaches and friends call her “Jet.”

“My teammates are incredible,” she said. “We also had a coaching change after my freshman year, and my results as a sophomore were dramatically better. Now I feel like I’m within reach of the school record in the 100.”

Kosmont already ranks second all-time at Yale in that event with a personal best of 11.52, achieved April 18 at the Wake

Forest Invitational. The standard — 11.46 — was recorded in 2022 at the Adidas Raleigh Relays by Libby McMahon, who now works as a business management consultant in Hartford, Conn.

“I’m really hoping that the training I’m doing this summer will help me get my name on the wall for that record,” she said. “I’ll also be running the 200 this season, which will give me better endurance and more speed.”

Student-athlete rigors

The famously rigorous academics at Yale have been “moderately challenging,” said Kosmont, whose major is cognitive science, with specialties in psychology and

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Welcoming Dr. Tom Czechura to MOSA Oral Maxillofacial Surgery

Dr. Tom Czechura

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He earned his undergraduate degree from Centre College in Danville, Kentucky, and while conducting cancer research, was accepted to the University of Louisville School of Dentistry. There, he graduated at the top of his class and received numerous awards for academic excellence in the biomedical sciences. He was also honored with the prestigious Horace Wells Award in Dental Anesthesiology and inducted into the Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society.

Tom continued his training at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville, Tennessee, one of the nation’s most respected programs, where he served as chief resident in his final year. He also holds a Master of Public Health from Dartmouth Medical School, which gives him a unique understanding of the behavioral and social factors that shape patient care.

Tom’s clinical expertise includes dental implants, full arch rehabilitation, bone grafting, and wisdom tooth removal. He is fluent in Polish and is passionate about delivering safe, high quality, and patient-centered surgical care.

Outside of the office, he enjoys exploring the coast with his wife and three sons, as well as cycling and golfing. He and his family are excited to put down roots in the Central Coast and serve the community for years to come.



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economics.

“I feel like Catalina did an excellent job of preparing me for college, and I think the hardest part, for me, is balancing athletics with school,” she said. “That’s a big time-management issue, balancing classes and study time with daily practices.”

From an athletic perspective, Kosmont said she’s become vastly more educated about her body as an NCAA Division I athlete.

“I know what I need nutritionally, how much sleep my body requires, how much water to drink,” she said.

“And the more experience I get, the more confident I become, because I understand myself more. I don’t get nearly as nervous as a college race as I did in high school.”

Kosmont is appropriately awed by the campus of the 224-year-old institution, whose distinguished alumni include five U.S. presidents, three Supreme Court justices, 69 Nobel laureates and multiple Pulitzer Prize winners.

“There are pictures on the walls here that are hundreds of years old that show people studying in the same classrooms and libraries where I’m studying now. It really makes you understand that this place has been around for a long time,” Kosmont said.

“It’s also incredible to be a student at a place where everybody I meet is so smart and so talented.”

‘Exploring my options’

Her career aspirations are very much under construction, said Kosmont, who has a summer job with a real estate company in Southern California.

“I’m interested in real estate, but I’m also looking forward to exploring my options over the next two years,” she said. “I’m enjoying my cognitive science major, which is all about studying the mind, but I want to research a lot of things before I figure out what I want to do after college.”

She’s training on her own this summer in Southern California, mixing long runs with sprints, and following instructions provided by Yale’s coaching staff.

The indoor season, her junior year of NCAA eligibility, begins in early December, but team workouts will commence two weeks after she returns to campus.

“That training is a lot more intense than the workouts we do during the season, when you don’t push your body as hard because of the injury risk,” she said.

At Santa Catalina, Kosmont was the Central Coast Section champion in the 100-meter dash as a junior in 2022 and runner-up in that event in her sophomore and senior years.

Her sister, Anna, competed as a junior and senior at Stevenson School, where she won the Pacific Coast Athletic League’s Masters championship in the 100-meter



PHOTO/KERRY BELSER

Juliette Kosmont, chatting here with high school coach Barry Panes in 2023, is the fastest human in the 75-year history of Santa Cata-

dash, and placed third in the 200 as a senior.

She’ll run this coming year for New York University in Manhattan, an easy train ride from New Haven, Conn., where Yale is located.

“I’m so proud of my sister, and super excited that she’ll only be two hours away from me this fall,” Juliette said. “That’s going to be great for both of us.”

■ Youth baseball earns super regionals

Carmel’s Mustang Division (age 9-10) All Star baseball team won four straight games July 1-6 to capture the Pony Mustang Regional Championship at an eight-team tournament at Toro Park in Salinas.

The first-place finish allowed them to advance to this week’s super regionals, which began Thursday and will run through Sunday in Ceres.

The team, coached by Mark Williams, is Carmel’s first super regional qualifier at the Mustang level since 2017.

A first- or second-place finish at the super regional would send Carmel to the Pony Mustang Zone Tournament this weekend in Placentia.

Zone winners advance to the 10-and-under International World Series in Youngsville, Las.

Carmel’s Bronco All Stars (12 and under), coached by Golden Anderson, placed fourth at their NorCal Coast regional tournament last weekend to advance to their super regional in Seaside. That tournament began Wednesday and concludes Sunday.

The Bronco Zone tournament will be played next week in Moreno Valley. The International World Series will be held in Laredo, Texas.

HEAD AND NECK PAIN

A CHIROPRACTIC MESSAGE

from Dr. Steven MacDonald, D.C.

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

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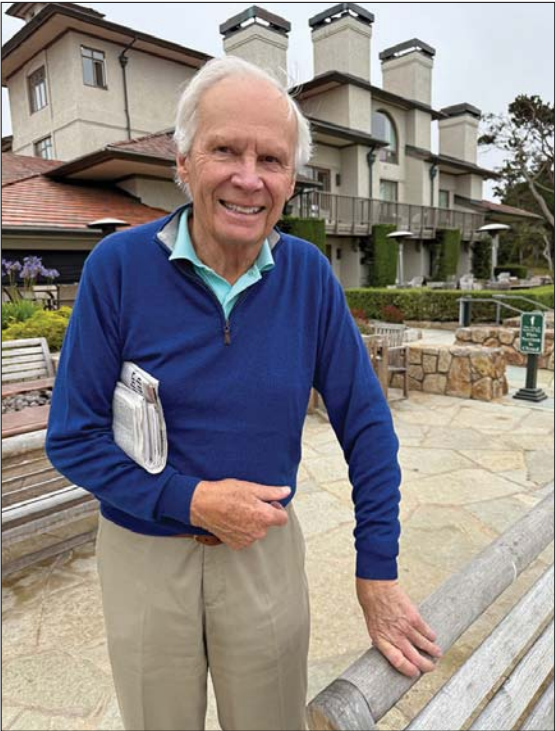
The deep roots and sprawling branches of corporate news

TONY RIDDER has been delivering the news since he was 12, first as a paper boy in his hometown of Duluth, Minn., and later as a reporter in Aberdeen, S.D., an ad salesman in Pasadena, and in myriad other jobs. He ultimately became CEO of Knight Ridder from 1995 to 2006, when the company — which owned the Monterey Herald — sold to McClatchy Media. You can read all about it in his just-published mem-

Great Lives

By ELAINE HESSER

oir, “Yesterday’s News.” At 84, Ridder and his wife, Dede, divide their time between Pebble Beach and Florida. After talking with him and reading his book, it’s easy to see what he meant when he wrote, “In the end, everything connects.” Ridder’s consistency and adherence to his values bring integrity to the events of his life. Given a remarkably intimate perspective on family members as executives and colleagues, he learned from their triumphs and foibles. The resulting steadiness is a through



Tony Ridder, former CEO of Knight Ridder, has a new memoir, “Yesterday’s News” — and he still reads a lot of it.

line drawn in printers ink, from a kid lugging 50 copies of the Duluth News Tribune through the snow, to the executive who slung issues of the Miami Herald toward houses from the roof of a van after Hurricane Andrew. Lying at the juncture of Midwestern values and practicality, Yankee ingenuity and the American dream, is the ink pot — the Ridder family saga. It began in 1890, when his great-grandfather, Herman Ridder, the son of a German immigrant, bought the New Yorker Staats-Zeitung und Herold, the third-largest daily in the city and the largest foreign-language paper in the nation. He earned the purchase price through diligence, instincts and luck. The story becomes populated with fathers, sons, uncles and cousins, until, wrote Ridder, “By the end of World War II, there were 11 male Ridders in my grandfather’s and father’s generations” working in a business that by then included more than half-dozen papers and was growing.

The hard way

You might imagine Ridder sailed through college and breezed into a cushy executive office. He said, “A lot of people thought my father said, ‘here, sit by my knee,’” to learn the business. “It wasn’t like that.” Things got particularly rocky during Ridder’s college years, when first he neglected his schoolwork and flunked out of the University of Michigan as a sophomore, and again when he and his girlfriend from Michigan, Connie Meach, conceived a child that fall. (He was later readmitted to Michigan based on grades he earned after getting into Macalester College.) After his father forgave him for the Michigan fiasco, he found him a summer job in Ontario, Canada, at Great Lakes Paper for 10 weeks. Ridder climbed on piles of logs, doing inventory. He surveyed land during miserable treks in deep woods, then spent a few weeks on a rowboat, dislodging logs that got stuck as they floated to

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From the mayor’s desk —

The spirit behind the charm

By DALE BYRNE

WHEN PEOPLE think of Carmel-by-the-Sea, they usually picture storybook cottages, windswept cypress trees, and breathtaking beach and ocean views. And they’re right. Those are part of what makes our village so special. But the real magic of Carmel isn’t just how it looks, it’s how it feels. Lately, there’s been no shortage of ways to experience that magic. Nearly every week in our already bustling village,

there’s something special happening. This includes events like the farmers market, concerts, festivals, theater performances and community celebrations, not to mention the big one coming up, Car Week. It’s a wonderful challenge to have so many joyful events in such a compact village. But with that abundance comes a responsibility to ensure these activities reflect who we are, support our residents and businesses,

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HOLDING ONTO MEMORIES MAKES FOR BEAUTIFUL PHOTOGRAPHS

AGING HANDS cradle precious memories in a fine-art photography exhibit titled “Holding On,” the wonderfully sentimental, universally relatable images captured by Jacqui Turner that will be part of a stunning two-artist show at Del Mesa Carmel retirement community through Aug. 26. Turner’s presentation shares the walls of Gallery at Del Mesa with the romantic

Carmel’s Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

and alluring artistry of fine-art photographer Meredith Mullins — a series called “Paris: En Dehors du Temps” (“Outside of Time”). Mullins, profiled in the June 11, 2021, Pine Cone, and Turner — colleagues at Carmel’s Center for Photographic Arts — will present an artists’ talk at the gallery in Del Mesa’s clubhouse during the opening reception, scheduled for 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday.

Sentiment is priceless

“Holding On” was inspired when Turner — a dancer and choreographer for the first half of her life — pulled open a drawer and rediscovered her first pair of pointe shoes. “I think I was in my first year of high school when I got those shoes,” said Turner, 70, who danced from kindergarten until she was 37. “Getting ‘on pointe’ is your big step as a ballet dancer and the result of a lot of really hard work. And then you learn how painful it is.” The sentiment that made those shoes indispensable for more than 50 years inspired Turner to ask others to share stories about their own priceless treasures and pose for her photographs, which focus on the subjects’ hands. Participants are identified in the exhibit by first name only. The backstories of their keepsakes are inscribed in their own words on cards near each black-and-white image. Some of the 14 photos in Turner’s show include:

■ Doris, age 102, holds a doll she purchased from a shop in England as an 18-year-old on the final day of an adventure with her high school class. “I became a strong, independent woman as we toured without the control of my parents,” she wrote. “I still look upon this dolls with happy memories of my trip, and rediscovering myself.” ■ John’s hands clutch four medals presented by Queen Victoria when she knighted his great-grandfather, Gen. Sir John Forbes, for military actions with the Indian army during the 1857 battle of Kooshab, where his unit, the 3rd Bombay Light Cavalry, was outnumbered 5-1 by the Persians. ■ Jane can’t recall how she came to possess baby shoes that she and two older

sisters wore in the 1940s. “They inspire me to think about how tiny and helpless we once were, and how aged we’ve become,” she wrote. “I wonder whether my daughter will want them when I’m gone. I don’t want to burden her with things that have no real meaning to her.” ■ Kathy’s hands point to a page in the 200-year-old family Bible that once belonged to her great-great-great-grandmother. “It contains a record of my family’s marriages and births and has been lovingly handed down six generations,” she wrote. “I like to think of the many hands of my ancestors who have touched and written in this Bible.” ■ Two sets of hands clutch a well-worn book titled, “Charlie Brown’s Yearbook,” which tells the story of his shyness with “the little red-haired girl” at his school. It was a Christmas gift from another Kathy to her boyfriend, Bob, in 1969. Inside, she wrote, “I love you, Charlie Brown,” and signed it, “Your Little Redhaired Girl.”

An eye for art

Turner, an Ohio native, feels fortunate to have been raised in an artistic family. Her mother told stories of taking baby Jacqui along in her cradle when she went to paint with her bohemian friends. Her father was not an artist, she said, but was a great patron of the arts. She has vivid memories of tagging along every Saturday, when her mom went to the Cleveland Art Museum. “She would point things out and talk to me about art,” she reminisced. Her mother also put her in those dance classes. “Between looking at art, and so many years of dance and choreography, I think I developed an eye for things like



Jacqui Turner’s exhibition at Gallery at Del Mesa, ‘Holding On,’ features her fine-art photographs of keepsakes cherished by their owners — and the stories behind them — like this generations-old pocket watch. The two-artist show also highlights the photography of Meredith Mullins.

line and form and composition and lighting ... so many of the things I use today as a photographer.” From grade school forward, Turner also remembers having “a teaching instinct.” “Our neighbors had two boys, younger than I, and they had a playroom with a chalkboard, where I’d play teacher. Supposedly, I taught them to read.” In 1977, she moved to California and met Bruce Kitchin, now an attorney in Salinas. He became her husband seven years

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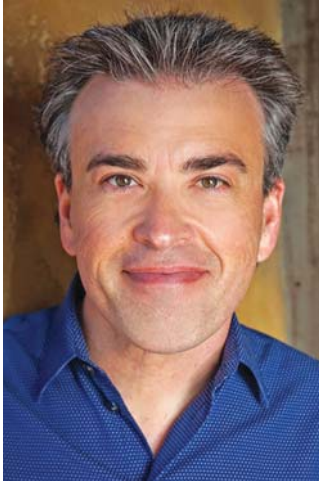
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the mill.

Upon hearing of Connie’s pregnancy, Ridder’s dad wanted to pay for an abortion, but the father-to-be stood his ground. He married Connie in 1960. His family came to love her, and they were together until she died in 2011.

Ridder had wanted to go to law school before entering the newspaper business, but his father, who paid his tuition, told him his financial support would end at graduation. Ridder weighed his prospects and asked for a job.

Big shoes

His dad arranged for him to work at the Aberdeen American News for \$105 a week as a reporter covering county offices, the chamber of commerce and the sheriff’s department. “Don’t expect any raises for a long time,” his father said.

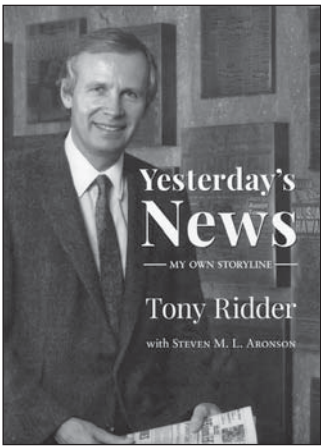
The job became the first stop on a rapid rise through family-owned newspapers, even as he navigated sometimes-byzantine intergenerational politics.

Ridder arrived at the San Jose Mercury News in 1964 and got involved in the community. It began with the Rotary Club and the all-male Sainte Claire Club, populated by influential businessmen. Eventually, his contributions included helping to launch The Tech Museum, establishing an annual footrace named for the newspaper,

and attempting to get a new sports venue built. That last effort didn’t work out, but when he lived in Miami, Ridder became a force behind its American Airlines Arena, which opened Dec. 31, 1999.

In San Jose, Ridder Plaza was created in recognition of his “civic, cultural and social” contributions. A statue was erected there in his honor, but “before it could go to my head,” he said, he learned it was of his running shoes, a reference to the San Jose Mercury News race.

Some of his more prominent achievements at the Merc involved anticipating the internet’s impact on classified advertising. To him, it was simple.



“Let’s say the newspaper covered 65 percent of the people in the area,” he said. Advertisers saw that as diminishing their potential return by 35 to 40 percent up front, and, “not everyone who buys it will even read their ad.”

When the early days of the internet arrived, “It was clear. Once they made it more sophisticated, it would be a killer because you could target your readers. If Cisco was trying to hire people, instead of running big ads in the Mercury, they could reach talented people through a targeted message. It was only a matter of time.” So, the paper got in on Career Builder, one of the earliest job search websites, and it grew to be the nation’s No. 1 job search engine by 2004.

More than words

Ridder’s memoir is studded with stories — flattering and otherwise — about his career. His dedication to his employees’ welfare and his ability to not simply manage, but lead, were demonstrated when he brought \$10,000 in company money to workers at the Miami Herald after Hurricane Andrew, because the city’s ATMs were out of order. When there was bad news — layoffs, a major business relocation — he delivered it himself. As Knight Ridder’s CEO, he authorized healthcare benefits for same-sex partners, something he thinks was a first in the newspaper business.

“I believed that, when you owned a newspaper, the journalism you provided was not the only way you should serve.” He continued, “Along with D for Diversity, E for Equity, and I for Inclusion, I was a cheerleader for C for Community.”

Still a prodigious consumer of news — the Wall Street Journal, New York Times, Washington Post, Monterey

Herald and Carmel Pine Cone, among others — Ridder said he misses parts of the work.

“I spent most of my time on the business side, but our whole reason for being was the journalism side, and I loved that part. What I miss more than anything is being part of the editorial board, debating what our position was going to be and spending lots of time on the right approach.”

He’d like to see broader local news coverage. “I don’t know what’s going on in Monterey County, what’s going on in government. If people are acting inappropriately, reporters don’t have the time to chase them,” he said. He added that it’s about “keeping people honest in government,” and without solid coverage, “they can have a field day.”

Although he never became a lawyer, Connie did, and he lived vicariously. He still loves reading about the law and enjoys a lively conversation, discussing the day’s issues from a well-informed perspective.

His children — all four of them — are grown, and his son, Par (a golf- and family-inspired nickname), is still in the business. Ridder continues to play golf — with five holes-in-one to his name — shooting his age each year.

Of his life, he wrote, “Never having lost my competitive edge, I intend to go on playing the ball as it lies. I’m dead set on keeping my game alive.”

ARTIST

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later. They’ll celebrate their 41st anniversary in October.

Dance and choreography were phased out of Turner’s lifestyle in 1992, when the couple welcomed their only child, Aaron.

“When Aaron was in sixth grade, I decided to become a teacher,” said Turner, who began as a substitute and eventually went full-time, taught art for 19 years — second-graders through high school at a charter school in Prunedale — and then as an art docent with Washington Union School District in Salinas.

ImageMakers and CPA

Her interest in fine-art photography blossomed locally. She originally created her art on film and processed in a darkroom, and later she switched to digital.

In late 1997, Turner became one of the early members of ImageMakers of Monterey, founded a year earlier by six photographers. It was an important moment in her artistic life.

“I was blown away by the people who were members — people like Al Weber, Martha Casanave, Dick Garrett, and Kim Weston,” she said. “I didn’t know much about the group when I was invited to join, and when I started coming to their meetings, I was like, ‘Oh, my God — this is who I’m going to be showing my work in front of? Wow!’”

Turner served as director of ImageMakers from 2003 to 2009. She is also a longtime member of Carmel’s Center for Photographic Art.

Their son, Aaron Kitchin, is a 33-year-old writer, screenwriter, actor and associate producer in Washington D.C.

Since 2004, Turner’s work has won multiple awards and been included in juried exhibitions in London and Budapest, as well as New York, Vermont, Minnesota, Texas, South Carolina, Oregon, Rhode Island and throughout California.

See portfolios of Turner’s photography at jacqueturner-photography.com. View Meredith Mullins’ body of work at meredithmullins.artspan.com.

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MEMORIAL

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of victims will be etched into the acrylic.

“Each panel would be composed of multiple pieces of colored acrylic in varying tones of the same color, signifying the diversity of Monterey County,” a report indicates.

“Lighting at the base of each panel allows colored shadows to cast out onto planting areas,” it says.

Donations

Drought tolerant plants will complement the memorial, and a drip irrigation system and solar lighting will be installed.

The memorial is expected to cost \$300,000, with most of the money coming from donations. In June 2022, the

Monterey County Board of Supervisors approved spending \$32,681 on the project, while a 2023 county report indicates that Taylor Farms made a \$100,000 donation to the memorial fund.

According to county spokesperson Nick Pasculli, the county has so far raised \$258,575, with many making donations, including Alejo. “We need to raise at least \$50,000 more, but ideally we would like to raise an additional \$100,000 so we can put some funds in a maintenance fund for upkeep,” Pasculli said.

To donate, visit the Community Foundation for Monterey County’s website, cfmco.org.

“There is still ample opportunity to contribute to this amazing effort, as the County of Monterey has partnered with the Community Foundation for Monterey County and has set up a special fund to make a tax-deductible contribution,” Alejo said.

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MAYOR
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and deepen the sense of connection that defines life here. That’s the spirit behind the charm.

■ A commission reawakened

One of the most important roles of our city government is to help thoughtfully shape the spaces and experiences that bring us together. That’s why I’m excited to share that our community activities commission is back with fresh energy, clear direction and a renewed commitment to

enriching life in our village in a thoughtful and sustainable way.

For years, this commission has helped shape the events that define our local spirit. But over time, as appointments lagged, it fell below quorum and became inactive. That changed this year, when mayor pro tem Bob Delves and I had the privilege of interviewing and recommending five new commissioners.

We didn’t just look to fill seats. We sought people with energy, vision, relevant experience and a deep connection to community life. We also looked for collaborators with bonus skills that could benefit the broader mission of the city. The result? A high-capacity team ready to serve.

This commission has hit the ground running. Ashlee Wright, our library and community activities director, came to its first public meeting exceptionally well-prepared with strong ideas and a thoughtful process. Her leadership set the tone for a productive, motivated group. They’ve even committed to holding weekly special meetings to build momentum and lay the groundwork for the future.

■ What they’re working on

Mission and strategic plan: They’re updating their mission and drafting a new strategic plan. The previous one expired in 2024, and the new version will align with city council priorities and our evolving community needs.

Listening to residents: They’re launching surveys to hear directly from you. What events do you love? What’s missing? What could we imagine together?

Balancing joy with practicality: Their goal is to energize the community without overwhelming it. That means right-sizing gatherings and embedding sustainability into every effort.

Exploring quasi-recreation: They’re exploring low-impact, high-enjoyment activities like poetry readings, artist talks, or intergenerational workshops in the many special venues around town.

Hands-on involvement: These commissioners aren’t staying behind a desk. They’re out in the community—volunteering, listening and bringing real-world insights to the table. Their creative and professional backgrounds are already shaping thoughtful new ideas.

This is a proactive, service-minded team eager to make a difference — and they’re looking for others who care about community life. You’re warmly invited to attend their commission meetings at city hall, share your thoughts in writing, take a survey or volunteer at an upcoming event. Because the real strength of Carmel isn’t just in its beauty. It’s in the care we show one another and in our ability to connect, celebrate and grow together.

Community doesn’t happen by accident. It happens when people show up and reimagine what’s possible.

To hear an AI-generated podcast based on this column go to: cli.re/community.

Dale Byrne is Mayor of Carmel-by-the-Sea. His email is dbyrne@cbts.us

SPREE
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MacClelland was checked out at the hospital — which is standard procedure when someone is hit with Taser darts — and was then taken to jail.

Rosas said MacClelland was responsible for causing several thousand dollars’ worth of damage to vehicles and property.

“He was reported to have signs of having been consuming alcohol,” he added.

The complaint filed against MacClelland by the Monterey County District Attorney’s Office July 8 charges him with nine felonies, including five counts of vandalism causing more than \$400 in damage, assault with a deadly weapon, obstruction, harming a peace officer’s animal and threats to commit crime resulting in death. Misdemeanor charges include brandishing, battery, vandalism and unlawful entry into a home.

According to the filing, during his spree, MacClelland damaged houses, a Tesla truck, a patio door, a mailbox, a fence, a laptop, windows, lighting, plants, furniture and an SUV.

Kicked vehicle door

In April, the Monterey County Sheriff’s Office arrested MacClelland on Marguerita Way for felony and misdemeanor vandalism, and on May 26, Carmel Police arrested him shortly before 12:30 a.m. at Mission and Sixth for public intoxication.

“While he was in the back of the patrol vehicle, he began kicking the door so hard that the door came out of alignment,” a CPD sergeant said at the time.

MacClelland appeared in court Tuesday on all three cases, and preliminary examinations were scheduled for later in the week.

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By CHRIS COUNTS

TWO PEOPLE triggered a wide variety of responses when they showed up at the Carmel Post Office this week to film employees and customers. The odd behavior was apparently done to test First Amendment protections, a common practice by people seeking attention online, but many found it annoying, as reflected in posts on Facebook.

“These guys are down at the Carmel post office, shooting video of everyone that comes in,” a woman said on Wednesday. “They have the right to film in a public place, so if you don’t want to get on camera, don’t go to the post office right now.”

“Call the police,” suggested another commenter. “What they’re doing is harassment.”

But another commenter quickly shut down that notion. “If they can see you, they can take pictures and videos of you,” she said.

‘Get a job’

Many of those responding to the post expressed their disgust with the filming or poked fun at the man and woman doing it.

“Oh, to have this much free time,” one local pondered. “The things I would get done.”

Several others suggested that the pair either “get a job” or “get a life,” with one urging them to “contribute to our society in a positive way.”

Another man suggested those who are offended curse out the photographers. “Rip off a few phrases of crude obscenities,” he wrote. “You will either be edited out or an overnight sensation.”

First Amendment “auditors” have attracted attention in many places in recent years for recording people in public places,

with the goal of testing their First Amendment rights. Many see themselves as journalists or activists. They often seek to provoke their subjects and post the footage on social media to embarrass them, push their own message and/or make money with clicks.



PHOTO/FACEBOOK

In the latest example of a trend that can be viewed on social media, First Amendment “auditors” filmed employees and customers inside of the Carmel Post Office this week.

Not surprisingly, someone blamed the incident on the MAGA movement, while another said it was the fault of Democrats. Even crazier, two commenters suggested that those doing the filming were working for ICE.

Others defended them.

“They only are annoying if you don’t know the law,” one man said. “They are out here protecting our rights.”

One person posting noted that the post office has a sign “stating that they can film” there. Another said they’re just “exercising their constitutional rights.”

Others, meanwhile, said people should simply not pay attention to them.

“All they want is conflict,” a woman wrote. “The best thing to do is ignore them.”

Another agreed. “If everyone just ignored them and went on with their day they’d stop doing this kind of thing,” she added.

WATER

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Peninsula will use 40 percent more water in the next 25 years is “unrealistic” because it would indicate “a 40 percent increase in population,” and that it ignores declining per capita water use.

‘Best available’

Cal Am spokesman Josh Stratton defended the water supply-and-demand projections in a statement to The Pine Cone this week. “California American Water takes its responsibility to our customers seriously, and what you see in our proposed supply- and-demand estimates is how we use the best available data to plan for a reliable water supply in Monterey, whether it’s a rainy year or a dry one,” the company said.

“We are confident that the Monterey community shares this goal of water security, and we know that the Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project is how we will make that happen.”

After LandWatch’s statement, which urged its supporters to tell the PUC that the water estimates are “wrong,” Cal Am asked its customers to tell the agency to adopt the report “and say yes to water security.”

The group argues that Pure Water Monterey will provide “more than enough to meet projected demand, even if all housing and commercial development that is projected to occur by the year 2050 actually comes to pass.”

Cal Am, however, contends Pure Water Monterey doesn’t offer enough and that only the company’s desal plant can provide a drought-resistant water supply for the Peninsula when accounting not only for population growth, but the water needed by residents who have been living under use restrictions for 30-plus years.

If the desal plant is approved and built, DeLapa claims the cost of living for Peninsula residents will “dramatically” rise and “worsen our housing crisis.”

Cal Am, though, said that without the plant, the Peninsula’s housing needs won’t be realized.

“LandWatch claims its mission is to support new housing, but only with reliable, drought-proof water through desalination can our housing needs be met,” the utility company said.

GAVEL

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get persons committing human trafficking and associated offenses such as pimping, pandering, and solicitation for prostitution in the area of Kern Street in Salinas. During the operation, Lane was observed facilitating and financially benefiting from the commercial sex work of an identified female victim. He was arrested and charged with pimping and pandering. While the investigation confirmed that Lane exploited and profited from the victim’s activities, the conduct did not meet the legal definition of human trafficking under current state law.





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PENINSULA FAMILIES

Life isn’t just a day at the beach. Sometimes there’s a museum.

By SALLY BAHO

PACIFIC GROVE holds a myriad of wonders for those with big eyes and little legs, so channel your inner child, grab the kids in your life, and spend a day in America’s “Last Hometown.” You can do lots of exploring, and once you get there, you won’t even need a car. And to our esteemed visitors, be prepared — the Monterey Peninsula’s notorious marine layer means you’ll probably need sweaters, maybe an extra blanket, swimsuits if you dare, and sunscreen no matter what.

Start at Captain + Stoker, the locally owned (by a couple of young parents) coffee shop on Forest Ave. They’ll make the littles a steamer — vanilla or plain — or a hot chocolate. They also have pastries from Parker-Lusseau, so add a couple morning buns to the mix, and you’re set to go. Captain + Stoker at 206 Forest Ave. is open from 6:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays and 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekends.

Quiet time

Walk downhill on Forest to the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History and engage those little minds (and maybe yours). In addition to traditional museum exhibits — think taxidermied birds and bears, oh my — there are also plenty of works of art and old local photographs to enjoy.

Current exhibits include one on Big Sur jade, as well as one on basket makers, featuring rare and historic hand-woven baskets from the native Ohlone people.

It doesn’t matter how old you are, a visit to the museum is not complete without sitting on Sandy, a life-size outdoor sculpture of a grey whale that has delighted visitors outside the museum since 1982. It’s OK to climb on and take a photo — she can take a lot of “love.” Find Sandy at 165 Forest Ave. anytime.

The museum is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. Admission \$12 for adults, \$8 for youth 4-18, students with school ID, and seniors, and free for



Believe it or not, there’s a life-sized grey whale underneath all those kids. “Sandy” is the P.G. Museum’s unofficial mascot.

Monterey County residents with ID. Active duty military are normally \$8, but they and their families can get in gratis between Memorial Day and Labor Day. Visit pgmuseum.org for more info, and check the “Events” tab for kids’ programs.

Right across the street is the Pacific Grove library, because every parent and grandparent loves a little quiet time. The Joe Rock Children’s Room is perfect for warming up and relaxing between adventures. There are toys

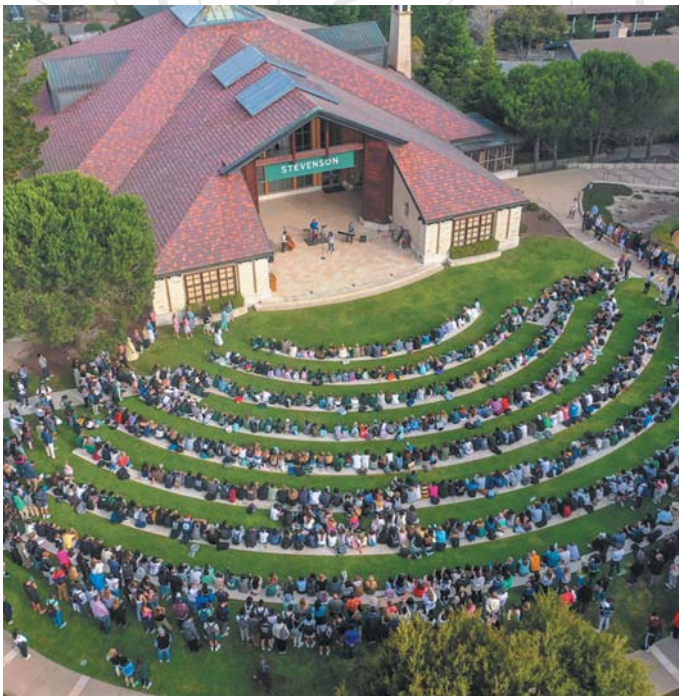
for the kids to play with, or they can pick out a book or two before moving on. The address is 550 Central Ave. and the library is open 2 to 6 p.m. on Mondays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays.

Keep going down Forest or Grand avenues and you’ll hit Lovers Point, the idyllic and family-friendly beach.

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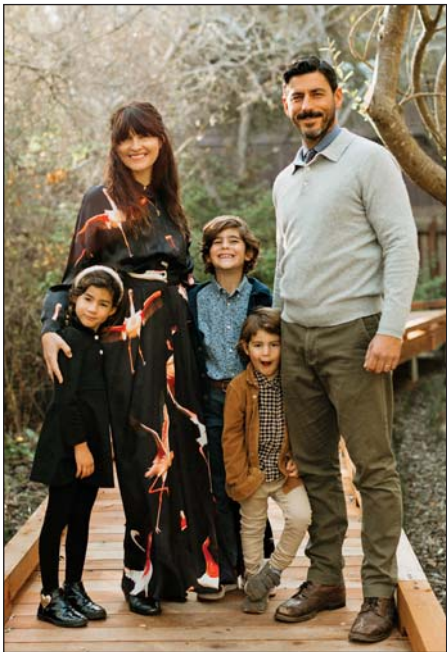
By LILY PATTERSON

EVERY PARENT, at some point, wishes for a recipe for family life. If only there was a way to be sure you put in the correct amount of this or that at all the right moments, and knew exactly when to turn up the heat, or let things cool off.

There isn’t, but a couple of local restaurant families have a few things figured out.

“We just want our kids to be well-adjusted, comfortable, confident,” said Alissa Carnazzo, who, with her husband, runs The Stationaery, the popular cafe on San Carlos between Fifth and Sixth.

It’s not a large space, even with patio overflow, but the Carnazzos cater to families — bringers of “happy noise” at any neighborhood spot worth its salt, said



The Carnazzo family owns The Stationaery.

Anthony.

He keeps stacks of high chairs and coloring sheets handy at the host stand, and kid-friendly favorites like French toast and a classic burger offer moments of play in chef Amalia Scatena’s grownup menu of farmers market salads and fresh-catch ceviche. That dish needs a lot of limes, which the Carnazzos’ oldest son, Giaco, was helping the sous chef cut and squeeze just the other day. It was the sweetest sight for Anthony, a dad of three.

“We always thought, as soon as they’re able, they’re going to be putting in time at the restaurant. Giaco is 8 now, and he’s gotten confident and gregarious, and he jumps in. He’ll set tables and bus dishes. He looks up to the staff. I think he feels a sense of belonging.”

“And he’s starting to learn the value of a dollar,” Alissa chimed in. The couple’s youngest, Massimo, is in preschool, which has her thinking about how quickly the time has passed.

“Something I realized recently is that we’re the first job for a lot of local kids, and it’s a privilege to teach them and train them,” said Alissa.

The Stationaery is one of the family-run spots in town that welcome diligent young people to work in exchange for a fair hourly rate and hospitality mentorship.

Next generation

A short drive away, Bear + Flag (7152 Carmel Valley Road) also embraces guests with kids. “It would be against our ethos to create something where families aren’t welcome,” said Ada Fisher, a Carmel native and mom to five grown children. She fondly remembers her own first job at the now-shuttered Clam Box — a beloved



Meet the Fishers — from left, Parker, Madeline, Todd, Ada, Mackenzie, her fiancé and Todd’s assistant butcher Daniel Simoes, Abigail and Boston. Up front, pups Cuvee and Cru round out the culinary clan.

spot on Mission between Fifth and Sixth where her grandfather did the artwork and her grandmother filled in at the register.

“It helps if it’s a place where people who are just starting out — high school kids — can feel comfortable. It’s a job where they can learn several different roles under the same roof, practice time and money management, figure out what they like and don’t like,” she said.

Ada is the wife and business partner of chef Todd Fisher. The Carmel Valley couple opened Bear + Flag in 2020. It’s a daytime pit stop and wine shop serving BBQ and sandwiches, and, Todd said, their oldest son Parker is practically running the show there these days.

The Fishers’ Seaside place, The Meatery, a neighborhood butcher counter and deli at 1534 Fremont Blvd., is in its seventh year of operation. Slabs of dry-aged beef, hefty pork chops and marbled racks of lamb are sustainably sourced from California family ranches like Brandt, Niman, and Santa Carota, and they’re sold alongside house-crafted sausages — courtesy of their son-in-law, Daniel, “an incredible student,” said Todd.

Daniel is engaged to their oldest, Mackenzie, a Santa Catalina School alum who organizes community events for the Blue Zones Project in Salinas.

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Whether you and your kids want to build sandcastles, pedal down the recreation trail, or just have a picnic, there is enough entertainment there for days. Adventures by the Sea has a shop where you can rent bicycles, gear to include really little ones, and four-wheel surreys. They also have kayaks, not to mention wet suits of all sizes if you want to brave the water. Kids have to be 5 to join you in a tandem kayak, but surreys can hold even toddlers.

The Beach House restaurant has public restrooms outside, which also work as changing rooms. Stillwell Children's pool, run by the city, is heated to 92 degrees. Admission fees and hours through the end of July are at cityofpacificgrove.gov — just do a search for "Stillwell pool."

Hungry? The Snack Shack offers breakfast sandwiches, burgers, chicken tenders, fries, soft-serve and more. But watch out for the seagulls. They've been known to grab food right out of inattentive visitors' hands. The Lovers Point Beach Cafe serves paninis and cookies, waffles, coffee, and more, too.

Once you've had enough of the beach, Caledonia Park, a lovely neighborhood spot, offers other options. Shoot hoops, swing on the swings (both big kid and bucket varieties available), bounce on the seesaw, or lie on the grass and cloud-gaze.

How about ending the day with ice



Life really is a beach at Lovers Point.

cream? Stop by Colette's (also owned by local parents) at 520 Lighthouse Ave. Grab a scoop of peaches-and-cream or pistachio — or one of their other great flavors as the cherry on top of your P.G. day.

The sunsets are beautiful — and you still haven't gotten back in the car. But if you did, you could easily get to the Point Pinos Lighthouse, Asilomar State Park and Beach, and other fun local attractions. Pacific Grove is truly a safe, easy and entertaining place to spend time with kids this summer.

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Perhaps it's watching his adult children come into the hospitality fold, or that he reconnected with two of his own chef mentors recently, but Fisher said he's been thinking a lot about his extended restaurant family.

Since 1994, the executive chef and restaurateur has had a hand in local spots

like Tarpy's and Montrieo Bistro in Monterey and many Pebble Beach Food & Wine festivals. He's a longtime contributor to culinary and youth charities, as well. "Those special events, fundraisers and festivals, I would always involve the kids. We'd say, 'Hey, this is part of giving back to your community,'" he said.

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P E N I N S U L A F A M I L I E S

If you want to see this museum, you’re going to need a kid

By LISA LAPIN

AS SOON as he enters the doors, 2-year-old Roman Trevino runs to the “wharf” and heads down a curvy blue slide into a foam splash pit filled with stuffed harbor seals.

Eli Tafoya, 4, heads straight for the hospital “operating room,” and Levi Corres Monge, 5, loves the firehouse, where he dons a firefighter coat and helmet and hops into his own Monterey Fire rig, his grandma riding shotgun.

It’s a typical day at MY Museum, the Monterey County Youth Museum that will celebrate its 30th anniversary next year. Buzzing with excited children and their adult companions in tow, the museum is part playground, part amusement park, part art center and part classroom, with a Monterey-area theme that sets it apart from



Levi Monge has fun with his grandma, Evelyn.

other children’s museums.

“It was built to be a microcosm of what makes Monterey County special,” said Lauren Cohen, who has served as the executive director almost from the Museum’s inception. “We want local kids to recognize their own community, and we want tourists to also see a child’s version of all the highlights of Monterey County.”

A tractor and vegetables

The bay area has slides, a wharf, marine animals, a foam beach and a rowboat. The golf course has three holes and a full-size cart. On the farm, children can climb a tractor, harvest vegetables and see a processing plant wash and dry them before heading to the miniature restaurant kitchen.

Visitors are welcomed at the entrance by a lighthouse. A massive tree and treehouse dominate the middle of the enormous space, where another slide beckons.

“Roman just loves coming here,” said his grandma, Sharon Lagana of Pebble Beach, as the two played with cars and trucks. “The first thing he goes for is the slide. Then he gets a baby from the nursery and walks it around. And then he goes to the kitchen and cooks. He loves all of it.”

Evelyn Garcia Monge, Levi’s grandma, has been bringing Levi to MY Museum since it reopened after Covid. “We come all the time, because it’s such a fun place where we can have one-on-one time, just the two of us,” said Monge, who lives in Monterey. “They are cleaning all the time. It’s safe. And there’s so much to do.”

More than 60,000 people a year find their way to the cavernous, colorful museum, designed to educate and entertain children between the ages of 2 and 8. About 40 percent are from out of the area,

like the Tafoya family from Clovis.

One recent afternoon, Eli Tafoya and his parents came here to escape the heat. They first went to the Monterey Bay Aquarium, then a local tour guide suggested they head to MY Museum and pointed it out to them. It was the highlight of their day.

Eli gravitated toward the medical area, where he played with the baby incubator and an operating table built to look exactly like the board game “Operation,” only life-sized. A full-size ambulance has its own a child-sized dummy patient.

Cohen said that initially, they thought that might be too scary. “But then we learned that kids actually love it. Everything here is as realistic as possible, which lets children really role play. We’ve been told that our hospital area has helped kids feel more comfortable when they have to then go to the doctor or a real hospital.”

The MY Museum children’s playland was created and launched in the mid-1990s by members of the Junior League of Monterey County. It was on Cannery Row until local donors and organizations helped it buy its own building and install its space on Washington Street in 2008.

Children must be accompanied by an adult to enter the museum. And adults are



MY Museum executive director Lauren Cohen.

not allowed to enter without a child.

MY Museum keeps prices affordable thanks to donations and fundraisers. Tickets cost \$10 a day for adults and children and \$2 for those with WIC cards. An

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“I’ve got five amazing children, and I’ve got even more former employees, sous chefs and waiters who I see around town.” He went on to talk about the “culinary lineage” of “hard-working journeymen” and “young, cool chefs, like Jonny Black at Chez Noir, and Amalia at The Stationaery.”

When The Carnazzos opened The Stationaery in 2018, they lived in the apartment upstairs. As the family grew, the couple cut back dinner service. They felt the financial loss of those nightly covers, but the five-night-a-week schedule wasn’t manageable.

“People talk about work-life balance, but we don’t have that. Anthony often says it’s a lifestyle, not a job,” said Alissa.

Anthony talked about those first few

months with his daughter, Pilar, and working at the restaurant with a baby carrier on his chest to give his wife a break.

“You have to shift your expectations,” commented Ada.

“The late hours are the hardest thing on marriages and families,” she said.

“They’re not conducive to the school years. There have been many times when Todd’s not able to make it to special events, games, performances, even holidays, because that’s when restaurants are open. We’re busy when everyone else is on vacation.”

Community

The Carnazzos said they get a lot of support in the real world — between home, the restaurant, and the kids’ schools and activities. Anthony has talked about sponsoring

a little league team through the restaurant. “Because we send our kids to public schools, we have an immediate community in Carmel who is running the same circuit — the post office, the library, our neighborhood in Carmel Woods, we’re always

running into people,” Alissa agreed.

Her younger sister, Jordan, lives nearby as well, and runs a consignment store, Wal-ly’s, on Mission Street. “It was the dream I didn’t know to dream, to raise kids with my sisters and their kids close by.”



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I will not read that book again. I will not do it, Sam I Am.

By ELAINE HESSER

‘A CHILDREN’S story that can only be enjoyed by children is not a good children’s story in the slightest,” said C.S. Lewis, author of the Narnia Chronicles. Admit it — on first reading, you liked “Rainbow Fish,” “Goodnight Moon,” or “Green Eggs and Ham” as much as the next person. It’s the 75th rendition for a toddler that takes the joy out of it.

You don’t have to be the only one doing the once-upon-a-timing, though. Let a local library, a bookstore, or even a produce stand, give you a hand. All of the experiences listed below are at no charge, but a parent or guardian must stay with the child — no drop-offs.

Make it fun

Berenice “Be” Ashtengo is managing librarian for the Monterey County Free Libraries (tinyurl.com/4yupmjnh for locations, hours and event schedules). The libraries comprise 18 branches countywide and three bookmobiles.

Among its many youth-oriented programs are story times designed primarily for the preschool set. Ashtengo, an enthusiastic literacy evangelist, said, “Research abounds about the importance of reading to children. You can start at any age, but the earlier, the better. It sets them up for success.” Of course, since you’re perusing a newspaper, you might be the proverbial choir for that line of preaching.

County libraries are free and (shhhh) they don’t even charge fines for overdue books. “Nobody’s going to chase you off for not ordering a coffee,” while you use the wifi, either, Ashtengo said.

Librarians everywhere are legendary for knowledge and service, and the county’s are no exception. “The staff is always ready and eager to help,” she noted, and the library offers online services like Tumblebooks, where children can read along with myriad animated stories.

Services vary by branch, but there are plenty of story times, like Carmel Valley’s on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m., where Ashtengo reported that about a dozen kids participate each week. There might singing, crafts and “finger play” in addition to stories, plus a “stay-and-play” time afterwards. Librarians excel at helping pick books to check out, too.

When reading at home, Ashtengo suggested taking “a picture walk” through a book. Give cues like, “Can you find a dog on this page?” or “Where are all the blue things?” When you read, pointing to the words gets youngsters into the left-to-right, top-to-bottom groove of English. “Even seeing how we turn pages helps them get oriented,” Ashtengo said.

Her mantra is, “Make it fun.”

“So many parents say, ‘my kids won’t sit still,’” but Ashtengo, also a mom, believes you can win them over and make it a habit. The earlier you start, the longer little ones’ attention spans will grow to be, and they’ll have better listening skills, too, she added.

“Don’t say ‘sit down and read your book.’ That’s not fun,” Ashtengo said. She made up tunes to sing nursery rhymes to her daughter. There are also age-appropriate audio books, CDs, and MP3 files and players you can check out, as well as a dial-a-story line.

Carmel’s beloved library caters to kids at the Park Branch at Mission and Sixth. Visit ci.carmel.ca.us/kids-teens for a run-down of its large menu of services. Monterey’s city library at monterey.gov/library lists children’s reading programs, too.

Earthbound Farm Stand at 7250 Carmel Valley Road offers two free weekly story times, at 10:30 and 11 a.m. every Monday. Go to the website at earthboundfarm.com or call the stand at (831) 625-6219.

In Carmel Valley Village, neighborhood bookstore Olivia & Daisy collaborates with the Children’s Therapy Center (near the Crossroads shopping center) for a “Sensory Story Time” the first Wednesday of every month at 10 a.m. After a successful launch last Halloween, the therapy center’s owner, pediatric occupational therapist Brittney Weinerth, and bookstore



Berenice Ashtengo (left) arranges story times (and lots of other programs) for Monterey County Free Libraries. Olivia & Daisy bookstore in Carmel Valley (right) has sensory story times led by pediatric occupational therapists.



owner Kelsey Boyte, recently began offering the carefully designed program regularly. They’ve been attended by 20 or more kids, from babies to 5- or 6-year-olds, but Boyte said most range from toddler to preschool age.

All their senses

Weinerth and her colleague, pediatric occupational therapist Lisa Gering, come to the bookstore to read, lead some physical movement, and set up stations for youngsters and parents to complete hands-on activities.

Each themed session features two or three “carefully selected books” from the store’s inventory. Most recently, kids and parents learned about dogs.

A therapy dog came to visit and children and parents collaborated to make modeling-clay bones, use tongs to count out pompoms — pretend “dog food” — into bowls, and make pipe-cleaner collars.

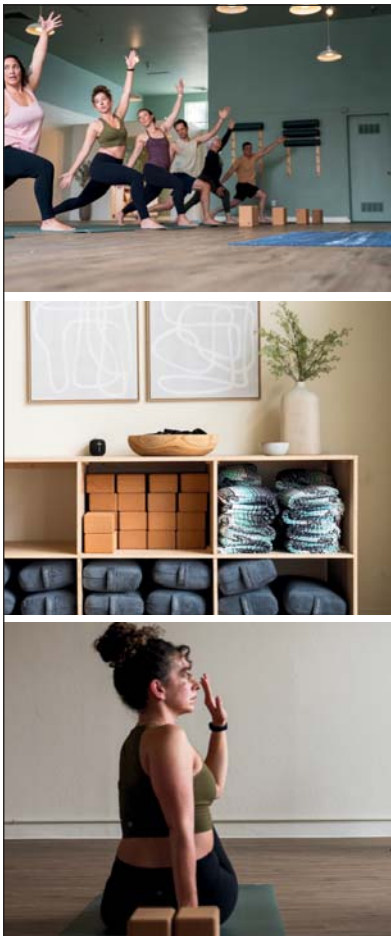
Each station has instruction sheets for parents, so they can quickly jump in with their little ones.

During stories, children participated by doing things like barking in appropriate places. Games break up the time between books with movement and laughter.

“Lots of skills and thoughts go into” the story times, said Weinerth, who explained that while the kids are having a lot of fun, they’re also using all their senses, motor skills, and gaining school readiness. “We want to help parents understand how important play is,” she said.

You can learn more about Olivia & Daisy at oliviaanddaisy.com, and read about Children’s Therapy Center at childrentherapy.com.

We hope we’ve given you some great ideas about reading to your kids. We can’t tell you what to do about “Baby Shark,” “Let it Go,” or Cocomelon on replay in the car, though. You’re on your own.



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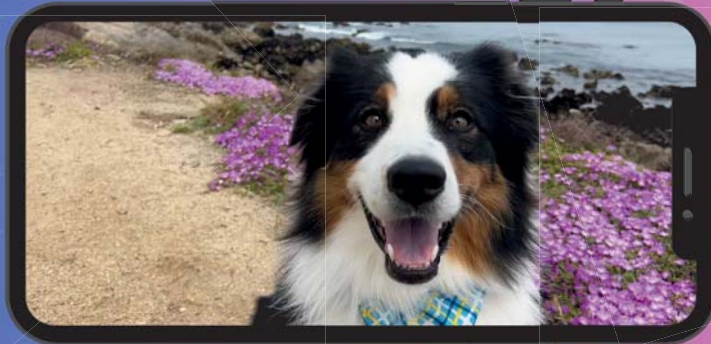


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Businesses donate materials for the arts and craft area, where children can choose from all sorts of materials — all included in the admission price — to get creative.

And of course, there is a children’s theater, complete with a wide array of costumes so pint-sized actors can hold improvised performances. It’s also used for presentations, including visits by Monterey Symphony musicians and other shows.

There are special programs for art, science, dance and “Zumbini” — a kids’ version of Zumba.

The nonprofit has 15 employees, many of them students from CSU Monterey Bay or people who have worked in education. Its \$650,000 annual budget relies on ticket sales, sales of toys at its on-site store, and contributions.

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“Families need us today more than ever,” Cohen said. “We want to keep our doors open and keep it affordable. We want to truly be a museum for every child.”

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Grammy Award winner visits Golden State, Chicano All-Stars play for free

A FIVE-TIME Grammy Award winner whose music spans country, rockabilly and bluegrass, singer and multi-instrumentalist **Marty Stuart** plays Thursday, 7 p.m., at the Golden State Theatre in Monterey.

On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

A member of the Country Music Hall of Fame, Stuart will be backed by his longtime band, **The Superlatives**, which features guitarist **Kenny Vaughan**, bassist **Chris**



Poi Rogers plays “vintage American roots music” Saturday, 10 p.m., at Fernwood Resort in Big Sur.

Scruggs and drummer **Harry Stinson**.

Stuart has released 20 studio albums since his debut disc in 1978, including his latest, the surf guitar-inspired “Space Junk” — his first all-instrumental LP. “We thought the world needed a fresh instrumental album by a pretty good band, so we composed 20 instrumentals and took them to the microphones,” Stuart said.

After he wraps up his summer tour, Stuart is headed to London to play at the Royal Albert Hall as part of the first international broadcast of the Grand Ole Opry.

Tickets start at \$55. The theater is located at 417 Alvarado St. Call (831) 649-1070 or visit goldenstatetheatre.com.

Next up at Golden State is a battle between Beatles and Rolling Stones’ tribute bands (July 25 at 6:30 p.m.).



Backed by his longtime band, the Superlatives, singer and guitarist Marty Stuart takes the stage Thursday, 7 p.m., at Golden State Theatre in Monterey.

■ Rockin’ the Plaza

Carmel Plaza’s latest Summer Live Music Series continues this week with a free show by **The Chicano All-Stars** Friday from 5 to 7 p.m.

Led by singer and guitarist **Sam Martinez**, the Chicano All-Stars serve up a mix of Latin rock, old-school r&b, classic rock and reggae.

Each show pairs a musical act with a local food vendor, winery and charity — this Friday’s gathering showcases Alvarado Street Brewery & Bistro and Blair Estate Wines, along with the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History.

While the show is free, food and drink tickets are \$25. The series wraps up July 25 with an encore performance by **The Money Band**, which opened the series July 11.

The Carmel Plaza shopping center is located at Ocean and Mission.

Live music July 18-24

■ Big Sur

Big Sur River Inn — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (folk, Saturday at 12:30 p.m.), flutist **Tim Jackson** and friends (jazz, Sunday at 1 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Victor Veysey** and bassist **Kemen Waddell** (Thursday, funk, jazz and country). 46800 Highway 1.

Fernwood Resort — singer and guitarist **Peter Martin Barnes** and others (jazz and folk, Friday at 10 p.m.), **Poi Rogers** (“vintage American roots music,” Saturday at 10 p.m.). 47200 Highway 1.

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Chilly treats, cheerful drinks, abalone, and a beloved bakery

DANNY HALA, who cofounded Café dal Mare on Dolores Street and owns an Ocean Avenue clothing store with wife Angelina, received permission from the Carmel Planning Commission July 9 to open an ice cream shop in Carmel Square on the east side of San Carlos north of Seventh.

The 400-square-foot Gelato by the Sea will replace

Soup to Nuts

Barmel Supper Club’s overflow room and will be open from noon to 7 p.m. daily, according to Hala. The shop “will seek sustainably sourced local ingredients that celebrate the rich European-influenced heritage of Carmel-by-the-Sea, area farmers and artisans,” he said in his letter to the city.

The 14-seat space will be reminiscent of an Italian gelateria, with bistro-style chairs, cushions, framed art-work and other artistic pieces.

He said he and his wife were inspired to start Gelato

by the Sea because of their sons Max and Michael’s “love of the popular Italian delicacy.”

“Rather than functioning as just another dessert place, Gelato by the Sea is intended to become a destination unto itself for locals seeking an intimate celebration, a savory after-lunch or after-dinner treat, or simply a place for an exceptionally satisfying stop,” he said.

The store will offer 12 to 16 flavors that rotate seasonally, espresso drinks, casual tea service and bottled Italian sodas and waters. Items will be available for enjoying on the premises or to go.

Without much discussion, the planning commission unanimously OK’d Hala’s application. He estimated that remodeling the space, including installing some new kitchen equipment, a sink, flooring, furniture and an ADA-compliant counter, will come in under \$20,000.

■ Tequila Day at Terry’s

There’s a “national day” for just about everything edible or drinkable. National Avocado Day, National Grab Some Nuts Day, National Chili Dog Day, National Cheesecake Day — the list goes on and on.

But few are more fun to celebrate than National Tequila Day, the July 24 homage to the Mexican spirit that dates to the 16th century, when Spanish settlers brought copper stills to the country. Tequila is made from blue agave in the area surrounding the City of Santiago de Tequila in the state of Jalisco, Mexico.



Oystertown in Monterey is teaching folks how to throw a great house party, leading by example at a shindig on July 22 with The Yolk Marketplace. The Seaside-based Yolk makes spice blends and liquid flavorings (right) for use in coffees, cocktails and cookery.



Terry’s Restaurant and Lounge in the Cypress Inn at Lincoln and Seventh is ready to help tequila lovers celebrate with a signature cocktail containing the beloved spirit. Take Me to Jalisco is made with Tres Generaciones Blanco Tequila, Pama liqueur, fresh lemon, cucumber and agave nectar. Order one of those, go for a traditional margarita or Paloma — or take in a recipe of your own and ask one of the bartenders to re-create it for you.

For more information about Terry’s — which also hosts live music several times a week — visit cypress-inn.com.

■ Oystertown party

Oystertown, Monterey’s shellfish restaurant at 281 Lighthouse Ave., is planning what looks to be a swell party for July 22 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Offering “cool drinks, hot tips and good times,” organizers say there will also be tips on throwing “the ultimate

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Flowers and mementos on a bench outside Fournier’s Bakery in Pacific Grove commemorate the life of owner Kevin James Fournier, who was about to retire when he died suddenly at the age of 60.

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house party” at your own place.

For \$125 per person, you can sip on designer cocktails, including the Riviera, with Thai basil, coconut, chocolate and hazelnut, and the Lunatique, a blend of rosemary, blackberry, maple and black walnut. Among the “stylish bites,” you’ll find smoked salmon puffs, honey cornbread and other appetizers.

Oystertown is partnering with The Yolk Marketplace (theyolkmarketplace.com) for the event. The Seaside company makes and sells “flavor accelerators” that include

spice blends like Party Mixtape, with paprika, allspice, garlic, brown sugar, chipotle, clove, thyme, black pepper, cayenne, red pepper flakes, salt and cinnamon, and “modern potions,” 4-ounce bottles of liquid flavorings like No. 9, Foret, with tastes of salted sage, malt, maple and hazelnut. They’re meant to be mixed into coffees, cocktails, baked goods and anything else your imagination can cook up.

Tickets are on sale at Eventbrite, or you can link there through Oystertown’s website, oystertownusa.com.

■ Sale at Bernardus

The winter holidays are still a ways off, but if you’re the sort of savvy planner who wants to stock up on wine, Bernardus has a great deal through the end of July — 12 bottles of 2019 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon for \$360, 40 percent off the regular price of \$600 per case. With a lovely garnet color and notes of coffee, chocolate and berries, it’s exceptionally well balanced with soft tannins and would pair nicely with a steak or beef Wellington, as well as dark turkey meat. The winery’s website is Bernardus.com.

■ Pizza jams continue

Carmel Mission Inn is continuing its Pizza Jams through the rest of the year. The monthly meetups for wood-fired pizza from Fire on Wheels, cocktails and music will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Aug. 14, Sept. 11, Oct. 9, Nov. 13 and Dec. 11 in



Pops Ernest, a restaurateur and chef, sold abalone for 75 cents on Old Fisherman’s Wharf in Monterey at the turn of the 20th century. The mollusk was abundant then, and its history is being celebrated with a festival in and around the Japanese American Citizens League Hall July 26-27.

the hotel courtyard, where well-behaved leashed dogs are always welcome.

■ Fournier owner dies

Kevin James Fournier, owner of Fournier Bakery in Pacific Grove, died unexpectedly of a heart attack on July 7, according to a friend. Fournier, who was just 60 years old, had been planning his retirement for months and had already arranged to pass the space on to Susan Carter, owner of Salinas-based Perfect Crumb Bakery.

Loving customers have been leaving flowers and mementos on the bench outside the shop’s front door on 18th Street, where Carter left a note that read, “I am looking forward to meeting all his loyal customers and to share my baked goods with you all. Wishing you all peace during this difficult time. I wish his family all the best as well. May God comfort you all.”

■ A mollusk that got fancy

Monterey’s two-day Abalone Festival will be held July 26 and 27 at the Japanese American Citizens League Hall (424 Adams St.) and additional nearby sites.

Few foods’ histories can rival the rise of the once-humble abalone. They were sold for 25 cents apiece back when the shellfish were plentiful along the Monterey Bay shorelines, and we’ve heard reports of it being as cheap as a nickel.

According to festival organizers, the mollusk was a source of food for indigenous people, and its iridescent shells were used in goods traded to other California natives. In 1916, more than 600,000 pounds of red abalone were unloaded at Monterey Wharf. By 1920, there were nine Japanese abalone dive companies there, and in 1929, the California abalone industry generated close to \$1 million, of which 75 percent came out of Monterey Bay from Japanese divers.

It was overfished in the 1930s through the 1960s, and that was, ironically, compounded by the recovery of the sea otter

population, abalone’s natural predators. By the early 2000s, it was listed as endangered, and these days, the stuff served in restaurants is raised at places like the Monterey Abalone Company, whose farm is under its namesake city’s municipal wharf. Those nickel-and-dime days are gone, with dishes topping \$50 to \$75 at local restaurants.

The festival features a sneak peek of a documentary, “The Abalone Mother,” which “recounts the work of Kristin Aquilino and others to bring white abalone back from the brink of extinction while also exploring the themes of grief and interconnectedness,” said organizers.

Presenters will include historians, authors, filmmakers, and representatives from the Monterey Abalone Farm, the Rumsen Ohlone tribe, the Historic Diving League, UC Davis, and Moss Landing Marine Labs.

Oh, and there’s food.

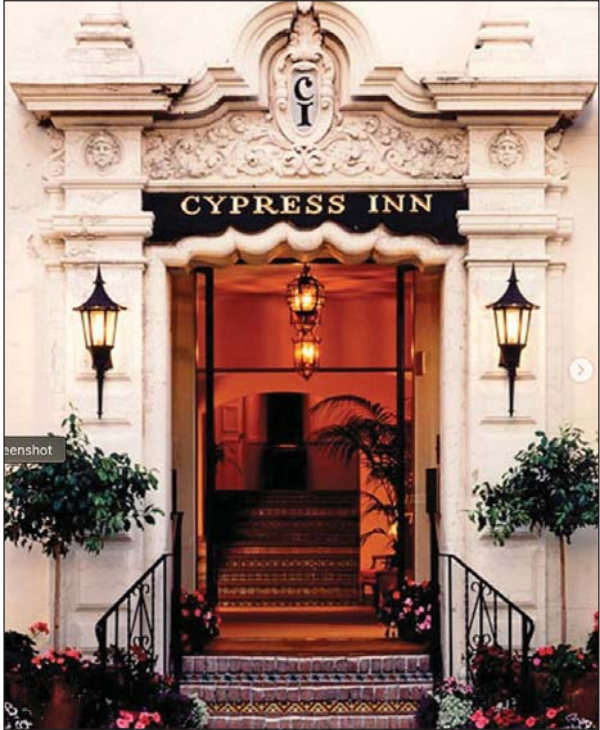
Schnitzel

Several restaurants on Old Fisherman’s Wharf — once home to restaurateur Pop Ernest’s schnitzel-style version of the mollusk — will celebrate the historical connection, including Rockfish Harbor Grill, offering two sauteed abalone for \$56.95. Abalonetti Bar & Grill will have an abalone BLT for \$29.95 and two sauteed abalone for \$56.95. Old Fisherman’s Grotto has three of them pounded out, lightly breaded and sauteed in clarified butter for \$65.

Café Fina will serve wild black abalone from Mexico with lemon butter and Champagne cream for around \$80, and Domenico’s will have Monterey Bay abalone with lemon butter and capers at the same price point.

Admission to the festival is free and seating for presentations is first-come, first-served. To see the schedule, visit jacmonterey.org. If you have questions, email them to Tim Thomas, timsardine@yahoo.com.

Mary Schley, Elaine Hesser and Sally Baho contributed to this week’s column.



Terry’s Lounge in the Cypress Inn is celebrating National Tequila Day (why not) on July 24, with a special cocktail called Take Me to Jalisco — a reference to the place where the spirit is made.

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■ Carmel

Barmel — **Jazville** (jazz, Thursday at 7 p.m.). Carmel Square on San Carlos north of Seventh.

Carl Cherry Center for the Arts — fiddler **Mattias Thedens** (folk, Friday at 7 p.m.). Tickets are \$25. Guadalupe and Fourth. carlcherrycenter.org

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.), **David Morwood Jazz Band** (Thursday at 6 p.m.). Lincoln and Seventh.

Hyatt Carmel Highlands — singer and pianist **TJ Kuenster** (jazz, Friday at 5 p.m.), 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.

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Guitarist John Sherry has shows at three local venues this week, including Sunday, noon, at Bernardus Lodge.

Walk showcases downtown photo galleries

WITH PHOTOWALK Carmel 2025 set for Saturday from 1 to 5 p.m., eight downtown galleries show why a small town has such a big reputation for fine art photography.

“As the birthplace of West Coast photography and the Friends of Photography, there is a thriving community of photographic artists living and working in the area,” according to Ann Jastrab of the Center for Photographic

Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

Art, which has been organizing the event for the past nine years. “Discover the beauty and rich heritage of this vibrant fine art photography community — stroll around beautiful Carmel and visit its many galleries.”

The participants include Weston Gallery, Gallery Sur, Photography West Gallery, Robin Winfield Gallery, Oficino Uno Fine Art Photograph, Exposed, Aaron Chang Gallery and the Center for Photographic Art.

The center, which is located at San Carlos and Ninth, hosts a reception and raffle at 5 p.m. Each gallery is donating prizes for the raffle. To enter, pick up a card at any gallery, and get it punched by five galleries. For a map of all participants, visit photography.org.

■ New at Del Mesa

Fine art photographers Meredith Mullins and Jacqui Turner explore memory, identity and “the quiet power” of objects and place in a pair of shows, “Paris — En Dehors du Temps” and “Holding On,” that’s on display at the Gallery at Del Mesa Carmel through Aug. 26. The two artists present a talk in the gallery Saturday at 4 p.m., followed by a reception.

“We are proud to present an exhibition that brings together two distinct yet thematically resonant bodies of photographic work — each exploring the power of memory, time and the deeply personal stories we carry,” the gallery announced, adding that the show explores how photography “can both preserve and transcend time, transforming fleeting moments and cherished keepsakes into enduring echoes of our stories.”

The senior community is located at 500 Del Mesa Dr. in Carmel Valley. The gallery is open Wednesday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

■ The fine art of fishing boats

Venture Gallery in Monterey welcomes a display of watercolors by Tamara Selyangina this month. Titled “The Romance and Mysticism of Fishing Boats,” the show explores an array of local places.

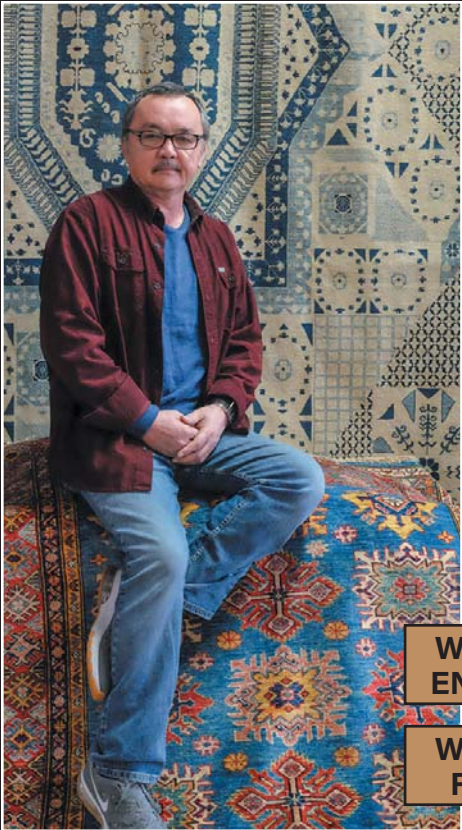
The gallery’s Edi Matsumoto said Selyangina captures the “allure, mysticism and romance” of a foggy morning along the Monterey Peninsula’s coastline.

The gallery is located next to the Portola Hotel at 260 Alvarado St.



This striking watercolor of Monterey harbor by Tamara Selyangina is featured in a new show at Venture Gallery in Monterey.





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but not limited to furniture, clothing, tools, and /or other misc. items.
Auction to be held at 4:00 pm on July 21, 2025, at www.selfstorageauction.com
The property is stored at: Leonard's Lockers Self Storage, 816 Elvee Drive, Salinas, CA 93901
Tenant name: Michael Gonzales 7/4/25
CNS-3941877#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: July 4, 2025. (PC 702)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251128

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **WHOLE DOG RADIANCE, 252 CASA VERDE WAY, MONTEREY, CA 93940**, County of MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): HOLLY MASON HEIMER, 252 CASA VERDE WAY, MONTEREY, CA 93940
This business is conducted by AN INDIVIDUAL
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE
S/ HOLLY MASON HEIMER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 06/18/2025 7/4, 7/11, 7/18, 7/25/25
CNS-3935741#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: July 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025. (PC 703)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251129

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **GOOD SAMARITAN, 446 S. MAIN ST, SALINAS, CA 93901**, County of MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): OFFICE MART LLC, 446 S MAIN ST, SALINAS, CA 93901; CA
This business is conducted by A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE
S/ MUNASHE GUMBO, MEMBER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 06/18/2025 7/4, 7/11, 7/18, 7/25/25
CNS-3935744#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: July 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025. (PC 704)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251069

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **LITTLE LOVE COFFEE & TEA, 262 Lerwick Drive, Monterey Ca., 93940**, County of MONTEREY
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: TORTOISE RIOT COFFEE, CA.
This business is conducted by a corporation.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 9, 2025.
S/ Morgan Romero, President
June 9, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 06/9/2025
Publication Dates: July 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025. (PC 705)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251148

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CALVARY CHURCH, 3001 Monterey-Salinas Hwy., Monterey, CA.,** County of MONTEREY
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: CALVARY CHAPEL MONTEREY BAY, 3001 Monterey-Salinas Hwy., Monterey, CA 93940.
This business is conducted by a corporation.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on January 1, 2025.
S/ Valerie J. Ceornocut, Secretary
June 23, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 06/23/2025
Publication Dates: July 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025. (PC 706)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (PROBATE CODE 19040(b), 19052) In re the Trust created by BONNIE ANN HILL, Decedent Case Number 25PR000353

Notice is hereby given to the creditors and contingent creditors of the above-named decedent that all persons having claims against the decedent are required to file them with the Superior Court of California, County of Monterey at 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, California 93940, and deliver a copy to CRAIG CHRISTOPHER FERTAL, JR., as Trustee of The BONNIE ANN HILL LIVING TRUST dated June 17, 1993, of which the Decedent was the Settler, at 26335 Carmel Rancho Blvd., Suite 2, Carmel, CA., 93923, as provided in Probate Code §1215 within the later of four (4) months after JULY 11, 2025 (the date of the first publication of notice to creditors) or, if notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, sixty (60) days after the date this notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, or you must petition to file a late claim as provided in Probate Code §19103. A claim form may be obtained from the court clerk. For your protection, you are encouraged to file your claim by certified mail, with return receipt requested.
Dated: June 25, 2025
UTE M. ISBILL-WILLIAMS, Attorney for Trustee CRAIG CHRISTOPHER FERTAL, JR., of The BONNIE ANN HILL LIVING TRUST dated June 17, 1993.
26335 Carmel Rancho Blvd., Suite 2 Carmel, California 93923
Publication dates: July 11, 18, 25, 2025. (PC707)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251068

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **MAYARI METAPHYSICAL, 262 Lerwick Drive, Monterey CA. 93940**, County of MONTEREY
Name of Individual Registrant: Johnali Rose Westmoreland.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 1, 2025.
S/ Johnali Westmoreland
June 9, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 06/9/2025
Publication Dates: July 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025. (PC 708)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251128

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **WHOLE DOG RADIANCE, 252 Casa Verde Way, Monterey, CA 93940**, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s): Holly Mason Heimer, 252 Casa Verde Way, Monterey, CA 93940
This business is conducted by an Individual
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not applicable
S/ Holly Mason Helmer
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 06/18/2025 7/4, 7/11, 7/18, 7/25/25
CNS-3943147#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: July 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025. (PC 709)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20250374

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE RODGER T. LUCKY CASE NO. 25PR000354

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of RODGER T. LUCKY.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by LINDA L. FRET and DONALD J. LUCKY in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

The Petition for Probate requests that LINDA L. FRET and DONALD J. LUCKY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

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

Date: July 30, 2025
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Dept.: 13
Address: Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections

SEVEN STAR SERVICES, 609 El Rancho Dr., Madera, CA 93637, County of Madera
Registered Owner(s): AGZC26 Corp., 3336 S La Cienega Blvd. 275, Los Angeles, CA 90016; CA
This business is conducted by corporation
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on n/a
S/ Shneur Cohen, President
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 17, 2025 7/4, 7/11, 7/18, 7/25/25
CNS-3942856#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: July 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025. (PC 710)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251131

LU CREATIONS, EST. 2023, 733 CALIFORNIA ST, SALINAS, CA 93901, County of MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): LU CREATIONS, LLC, 733 CALIFORNIA ST, SALINAS, CA 93901; CALIFORNIA
This business is conducted by A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE
S/ MIRANDA MALDONADO, MANAGER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 06/18/2025 7/4, 7/11, 7/18, 7/25/25
CNS-3935745#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: July 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025. (PC 711)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251074

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
REZA'S CREAMERY, 445 Reservation Rd., Suite B, Marina, CA 93933, County of MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): I & P BROTHERS DAIRY LLC, P.O. Box 2106, Monterey, CA 93940
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 listed above on NOT APPLICABLE
S/ Jayesh Desai, Manager/Member
June 5, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 9, 2025
Publication Dates: July 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025. (PC 712)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251190

Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **1. STROBEL PROPERTIES, 2. OFF-ABBOTT MINI-STORAGE, 3. OFF-ABBOTT BUSINESS PARK, 246 Abbott Street, Salinas, CA 93901**.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): JEFF STROBEL, RICHARD JAMES, LESLIE MARTIN
This business is conducted by a general partnership
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 9, 2012.
S/Richard James
Date signed: June 6, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 1, 2025.
Publication Dates: July 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025 (PC 713)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251194

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **1. BIGGSASS ENTERTAINMENTS, 2. CLEAN LIVING SOLUTIONS, 267 Chapparral Street, Salinas, CA 93906**.
County of Principal Place of Business:

MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): MATTHEW LEE LOGGINS, 267 Chapparral Street, Salinas, CA 93906.
KRISTINE LOGGINS, 267 Chapparral Street, Salinas, CA 93906.
This business is conducted by a married couple.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 1, 2025.
S/Matthew L. Loggins
Date signed: July 1, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 1, 2025.
Publication Dates: July 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025 (PC 717)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20250944

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **WEST COAST SUBLIMATION, 412 Francioni, Soledad, CA 93960**.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): LORENZO SANCHEZ, 412 Francioni, Soledad, CA 93960.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 15, 2025.
S/Lorenzo Sanchez
Date signed: May 20, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 20, 2025.
Publication Dates: July 1, 18, 25, Aug. 1, 2025 (PC 720)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251191

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **COASTAL HOME SERVICES, 64C Southbank Road, Carmel Valley, CA 93924**.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): JESSICA HEATHER RAINS, 64C Southbank Road, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 1, 2025.
S/Jessica Rains
Date signed: July 1, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 1, 2025.
Publication Dates: July 11, 18, 25, Aug. 1, 2025 (PC 721)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251196

Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **CUPERTINO PROPERTIES, 80 Valle Vista, Carmel Valley, CA 93924**.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): JOHN PARKER DOZIER.
This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
S/John Dozier
Date signed: July 1, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 1, 2025.
Publication Dates: July 11, 18, 25, Aug. 1, 2025 (PC 722)

Lien Sale Auction Advertisement

Notice is hereby given that, Pursuant to the California Self-Service Storage Facility Act (B&P Code 21700 et seq.), the undersigned will sell at public auction personal property, including but not limited to furniture, clothing, tools, and /or other misc. items.
Auction to be held at 4:00 pm on August 6, 2025, at www.selfstorageauction.com
The property is stored at: Leonard's Lockers Self Storage, 816 Elvee Drive, Salinas, CA 93901
Tenant name: Sharon Perez
Joseph Daniel Lopez
Valerie J Cienega
Herlinda Galvez
Antonio Arias
Anita Josue
Arthur Galvez
Shiann Crosby
Monica Cisneros
Rose Bargas
Gabriel Martinez
Esther Campa
Ofelia Garcia
Manuel J Palomino

7/18/25
CNS-3945583#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: July 18, 2025 (PC 723)

Lien Sale Auction Advertisement

Notice is hereby given that Pursuant to the California Self-Service Storage Facility Act, (B&P Code 21700 et seq.)
Auction to be held at 4:00PM on August 6, 2025 at www.selfstorageauction.com.
The property is stored at: **Marina U Store Self Storage 475 Reservation Road Marina, CA 93933**
Michael Anthony Davis

7/18/25
CNS-3945579#
CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: July 18, 2025 (PC 724)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251119

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Hudson James, 201 W Franklin St., Monterey, CA 93940**, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s): Franklin Street Collaborative Inc., 201 W Franklin Street, Monterey, CA 93940; CA
This business is conducted by a corporation
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 11/01/2020
S/ Stacie Nicole Sundahl, President
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 06/17/2025 7/11, 7/18, 7/25, 8/1/25
CNS-3943972#
CARMEL PINE CONE.
Publication Dates: July 11, 18, 25, Aug. 1, 2025 (PC 725)

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE No. 25-3347-MON YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED February 2, 2024. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On July 29, 2025 at 10:00 am, at the main entrance to the County Administration Building at 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas, Ca. 93901, The Foreclosure Company, Inc., as Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash (payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States) the following described property situated in the County of Monterey, State of California, described more fully within said Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation of the real property described above is purported to be: 11709 Camino Escondido Road, Carmel Valley, California 93924 APN: 416-082-030 The undersigned disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation shown here. 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 in a foreclosure sale under a lien secured by the property, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (408) 374-7204 or visit www.foreclosureco.com or www.nationwideposting.com and check Trustee's Sale #25-3347-MON. 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 (408) 374-7204 or visit www.foreclosureco.com or www.nationwideposting.com and check Trustee's Sale #25-3347-MON to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the Power of Sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Hilltop Assets LLC, a Wyoming Limited Liability Company, as Trustor, Recorded on February 15, 2024 as Instrument Number 2024005332 of Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of Monterey County and Deed of Trust Modification Agreement dated June 1, 2024 Recorded on June 5, 2024 as Instrument Number 2024019543 of Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of Monterey County. At the time of the initial publication of this Notice, the amount due to satisfy the obligation secured by the subject Deed of Trust, estimated costs, expenses, fees and advances is \$3,447,233.91. To verify the opening bid before the sale you may call (408) 374-7204. The Foreclosure Company, Inc., 827 Cedar Street, Santa Cruz, Ca. 95060 The Foreclosure Company, Inc, as Trustee By: Christina Leigh, Foreclosure Officer Date: June 30, 2025 This office is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose; whether that information is obtained verbally or in writing. NPP0476217 To: CARMEL PINE CONE 07/04/2025, 07/11/2025, 07/18/2025

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dith McHenry (Monday at 6 p.m.), multi-instrumentalist **Gary Regina** (jazz, Tuesday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **John Sherry** (rock and blues, Wednesday and 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.

Peter B’s Brewpub — singer and guitarist **Ryan Sesma** (Thursday at 6 p.m.). In the Portola Hotel, 2 Portola Plaza.

Jacks Monterey — mandolinist **Dave Holodiloff** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.). In the Por-

tola Hotel, 2 Portola Plaza.

Puma Road at Portola Plaza — singer and guitarist **Blaise DiGirolamo** (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Joyce Sampson** (Saturday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Peter Barnes Martin** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.). 281 Alvarado St.

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

Sly McFly’s — **Everyday People** (“classic Latin rock with an old-school twist,” Friday at 9 p.m.), **The Bridget Marie Band** (r&b and funk, Saturday at 9 p.m.). 700 Cannery Row.

See TUNES next page



Lucy’s on Lighthouse celebrates its 5th anniversary with Sub-Atomix (left), The Tremolos and Apricot Court Saturday at 2 p.m. Be sure to save some room for the hot dog eating contest.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC ONSITE AUCTION: In accordance with the provisions of the California Self-Storage Facility Act (Bus. & Prof. code §21700-21716), California Commercial Code Section 2328, Section 1812.600 – 1812.609 and Section 1988 of California Civil Code, 353 of the Penal Code, and being due an unpaid storage for which OFF-ABBOTT MINI-STORAGE, 246 Abbott Street, City of Salinas, County of Monterey, State of California, is entitled to a lien as herein after described. And due notice having been given to parties known to claim an interest therein and the time specified in such notice of payment having expired notice is hereby given that these goods will be auctioned by sealed envelope bids on Friday, August 1st, 2025, at 11AM. Purchases must be paid for at the time of sale in cash only. All items sold as-is, and must be removed at the time of sale. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement under the owner and obligated party. Unsold contents will be disposed of after August 8th, 2025.

A-6 Christina Gonzalez (Bags/ Home goods)
B-12 Regina Carvantes (Home goods)
B-21 Cody Leyva (Home goods)
Publication Dates: July 11, 18, 2025 (PC 726)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251211
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **FREELANCE DESIGN & PRINT, 120 W. Acacia St., Salinas, CA 93901.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): VICTOR GUZMAN.
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 3, 2025.
S/Victor Guzman
Date signed: July 3, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 3, 2025. Publication Dates: July 11, 18, 25, Aug. 1, 2025 (PC 727)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251189
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **PATRONES X7 ENTERTAINMENT, 700 Dias St., Sand City, CA 93955.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
PATRONES X7 ENTERTAINMENT LLC, 700 Dias St., Sand City, CA 93955.
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 June 30, 2025.
S/Luis Alberto Jimenez, CEO
Date signed: June 30, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 30, 2025. Publication Dates: July 11, 18, 25, Aug. 1, 2025. (PC 730)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251204
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **PALETAS ACB, 227 9th Street, Gonzales, CA 93926.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.
Registered Owner(s): MARCELINO GARCIA RANGEL, 227 9th Street, Gonzales, CA 93926.
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names

listed above on Jan. 11, 2021.
S/Marceino Garcia
Date signed: July 3, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 3, 2025. Publication Dates: July 11, 18, 25, Aug. 1, 2025 (PC 731)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251202
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **M&M LEGAL SUPPORT SERVICES, 3 Deer St., Salinas, CA 93906.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): MATILDE LIZZETH GONZALEZ, 100 W. Alisal St., Box 54, Salinas, CA 93902.
MARY CRUZ ROBLES, 100 W. Alisal St., Box 54, Salinas, CA 93902.
This business is conducted by a co-partnership
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 27, 2025.
S/Matilde Lizzeth Gonzalez
Date signed: July 2, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 2, 2025. Publication Dates: July 18, 25, Aug. 1, 8, 2025 (PC 734)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251214
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **THOMPSON WILDLAND MANAGEMENT, 57 Via Del Rey, Monterey, CA 93940.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): ROBERT G. THOMPSON
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 1, 2006.
S/Robert Thompson
Date signed: July 3, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 3, 2025. Publication Dates: July 18, 25, Aug. 1, 8, 2025 (PC 735)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251218
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **KD DETAILING & VINYL WRAPS, 1288 Lowell St., Seaside, CA 93955.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): KEVIN JEFFREY DURAN CRUZ
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 7, 2025.
S/Kevin J. Duran Cruz
Date signed: July 7, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 7, 2025. Publication Dates: July 18, 25, Aug. 1, 8, 2025 (PC 736)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251187
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Right Way Tools & Equipment, 210 Merced St., Suite A, Salinas, CA 93901,**
County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s): Nicholas Ferraris, 210 Merced St., Ste A, Salinas, CA 93901
Benjamin Griesbach, 210 Merced St., Ste A, Salinas, CA 93901

This business is conducted by A General Partnership
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable
S/ Nicholas Ferraris
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 06/30/2025 7/18, 7/25, 8/1, 8/8/25
CNS-3946384# CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: July 18, 25, Aug. 1, 8, 2025. (PC 737)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251241
Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **JEANNIE GIRL, 508 Corral de Tierra Rd., Salinas, CA 93908.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): JEAN CHARMAINE GIANGIORGI
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S/Jean Giangiorgi
Date signed: July 9, 2025
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251248
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **ATLAS LAND SURVEYS, 75 Fourth Street, Spreckels, CA 93962.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): DAVID ALAN NACHAZEL, P.O. Box 7131, Spreckels, CA 93962.
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 2022.
S/David Nachazel
Date signed: July 10, 2025
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251075
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **RISE CARMEL MEDICAL CORPORATION, 26365 Carmel Rancho Blvd., Suite F, Carmel, CA 93923.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY
JUDY HONEGGER, D.O., P.C., 18367 Corral Del Cielo, Salinas, CA 93908.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
S/Judy Honegger, President
Date: June 10, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 10, 2025. Publication Dates: July 18, 25, Aug. 1, 8, 2025. (PC 740)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251126
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Volledge Electric, 264 E Market St., Salinas, CA 93901,** County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s): Daniel R. Radel, 264 E Market St., Salinas, CA 93901
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A
S/ Daniel R.Radel
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Publication Dates: July 18, 25, Aug. 1, 8, 2025. (PC 741)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. 25CV003360
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, ANDREA F. FERNANDEZ, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A Present name: ANDREA F. FERNANDEZ
Proposed name: ANDREA MARIE FERNANDEZ
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: Aug. 19, 2025
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
DEPT: 15
The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
Date filed: April 30, 2025
(s) Thomas W. Wills
Judge of the Superior Court
Date: July 2, 2025
Publication Dates: July 18, 25, Aug. 1, 8, 2025. (PC 742)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251253
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **GLOBAL FINANCIAL SECURED INVESTMENT, 19825 Augusta Court, Salinas, CA 93906.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): CHRISTINA REGALADO, P.O. Box 865, Gilroy, CA 95021.
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 3, 2025.
S/Christina Regalado
Date signed: July 10, 2025
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9640 Carmel Valley Rd. Carmel, CA 93923
Name of Tenants
Theresa Buccola
7/18/25
CNS-3947316# CARMEL PINE CONE
Publication Dates: July 18 2025 (PC 744)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251258
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **TERI’S EMBROIDERY, 19235 Creekside Lane, Salinas, CA 93908.**
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): TERI MARIE HORSLEY.
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 1, 2025.
S/Teri M. Horsley
Date signed: July 11, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 11, 2025. Publication Dates: July 18, 25, Aug. 1, 8, 2025 (PC 746)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20251261
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
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County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): STEVEN ERIK ROVELL, 483 Ferris Ave., Marina, California 93933.
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
S/Steven Rovell
Date signed: July 11, 2025
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 11, 2025. Publication Dates: July 18, 25, Aug. 1, 8, 2025 (PC 747)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20251223
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
R.K. ENTERPRISES, 100 Clocktower Place, Suite 120, Carmel, CA 93923.
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY
Registered Owner(s): RICHARD JOHN DENIER, P.O. Box 22753, Carmel, CA 93922.
KATHY LYNN DENIER.
This business is conducted by a married couple.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan 1, 2008.
S/Richard J. Denier
Date signed: July 3, 2025

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on July 7, 2025. Publication Dates: July 18, 25, Aug. 1, 8, 2025 (PC 748)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. 25CV003524
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, FILA BARNETT-EVANSON aka PHYLLIS MYRA COHEN, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A Present name: FILA BARNETT-EVANSON aka PHYLLIS MYRA COHEN
Proposed name: FILA BARNETT EVANSON
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: Aug. 26, 2025
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
DEPT: 14
The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
Date filed: July 10, 2025
(s) Thomas W. Wills
Judge of the Superior Court
Date: July 10, 2025
Publication Dates: July 18, 25, Aug. 1, 8, 2025. (PC 749)

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE
JOHN CURTIS MCDONALD
CASE NO. 25PR000375

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of JOHN CURTIS MCDONALD.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ALVIN LEE TANNER in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.
The Petition for Probate requests that ALVIN LEE TANNER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: August 20, 2025
Time: 9:00 p.m.
Dept.: 13
Address: Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections

with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the **later of either (1) four months** from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) **60 days** from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. **Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.**
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a *Request for Special Notice* (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A *Request for Special Notice* form is available from the court clerk.
Petitioner:
ALVIN LEE TANNER
4041 Sadie Ct.,
Campbell, CA 95008
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This statement was filed by Superior Court of California, County of Monterey on July 14, 2025.
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The Grill at Point Pinos — **The Chuck Brewer Trio** (rock and blues, Friday at 5 p.m.). 79 Asilomar Ave.

■ Pebble Beach

The Inn at Spanish Bay — **The Al**

James Duo (r&b and rock, Saturday at 2 p.m.). 2700 17 Mile Drive.

■ Seaside

Black Horse Bayonet Golf Course — guitarist **Dan Cortes** (“American roots and traditional Mexican,” Friday at 4:30 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Casey Frazier** (Wednesday at 4:30 p.m.). In the Bayview Grill, 1 McClure Way.

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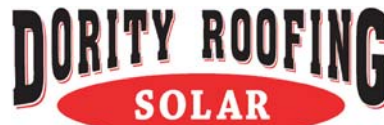
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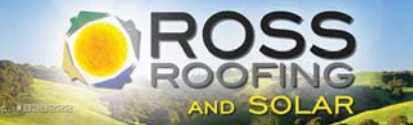
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