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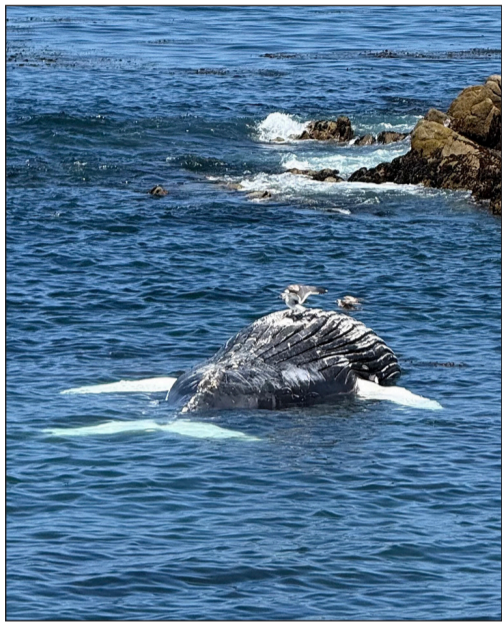
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## Dead whale floats into Hopkins Marine cove



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The carcass of a young humpback floating Wednesday near Hopkins Marine Station in Pacific Grove (left) drew the curiosity of hundreds of people on the rec trail (above). Later, the carcass washed up on the beach. Researchers are planning a necropsy to determine how the whale perished. See page 12A.

## Council makes street addresses officially official

By MARY SCHLEY

IN ITS final action to bring about the historic change, the Carmel City Council on Tuesday unanimously approved a resolution “confirming that the city has implemented an address identification system consistent with the requirements of the California Building Standards Code and adopting the street addressing map identifying assigned property addresses citywide.”

The vote brings the city’s long and quaint tradition of using directional addresses — such as Lincoln 2SW of Fifth — to an end. The new system assigns odd numbers on the north and west sides of the street, and evens on the south and east sides, with the lowest digits beginning at the western and northern edges of the city and increasing as the streets run east and south.

**It will take ‘weeks’ for utilities, delivery companies to implement**

“I want to thank you, because I’ve been complaining for 25 years,” resident Donna Jett told the council June 2. “I think it took courage.”

### Farewell to tradition

Lifelong resident Cindy Lloyd, who prizes tradition, said the city’s process of researching the issue, informing the community, and developing the standardized system of street addresses changed her mind.

“I began to realize it was really an issue that needs to be addressed, and it was Bob’s beautiful presentation that convinced me to cross over the line from traditionalist to modernist,” she said, referring to councilman Bob Delves, who served on the committee that undertook months of research and took time to update the public along the way. “Good for you all. A tradition has fallen, but it was a necessary thing to do.”

Their comments marked the conclusion of the decades-long debate over whether the city should hold onto its unique addressing system, which might have worked when the town’s few residents all knew each other but presented challenges when it came to hooking up utilities, receiving deliveries, obtaining insurance, opening accounts with financial institutions and, perhaps most importantly,

See **OFFICIAL** page 29A

## STATE SPENDS MORE, GETS SAME DISMAL GRADES

SCHOOL IS out for the summer, and the hope is that California children came out of their classrooms a little wiser, though results from the federal standardized tests used to measure their performance won’t be released for months.

In recent years, those results have been nothing short

of proficiency on the latest National Assessment of Educational Progress, with only 7% passing, and just 19% of Latino students reading at grade level.

2 + 2 = ?

The kids are not doing much better with mathematics. State standardized testing from 2025 showed only 37% of students met the benchmark in math. The federal test scores from the year prior were even worse, placing California at No. 43 in the rankings for fourth-grade math proficiency.

The results are not only disheartening, they run contrary to what so many in the education field argue — that

See **DISMAL** page 22A

## An only-in-Carmel evacuation exercise

By MARY SCHLEY

YOU KNOW you live in a special place when people show up 15 minutes early for an evacuation drill. And when they get irate because they missed the first bus to the “safe zone.” And when they complain that there’s no coffee waiting for them when they get there.

The exercise, which was the first of its kind for the City of Carmel and followed months of planning and collaboration with 21 agencies, organizations and volunteer groups, began Saturday morning with a text alert advising residents of the drill and asking if they wanted to take part or opt out.

“If you choose to participate in today’s live drill, you will receive instructions to practice safe evacuation of the city in the event of an emergency,” the text message read. “Practice your household evacuation plan and gather your go bag. Please stand by for further notifications.”

### What to take?

Messages that followed explained the scenario — a wildfire threat coming from the north — and told people to get in their cars and drive to Ocean and Monte Verde or to head on foot to Junipero and Ocean at Carmel Plaza to catch a bus. All would be going to a safe location where they could reunite with family members coming from elsewhere. Some locals hoped the air raid siren on the firehouse would be used, but the emergency agencies opted not to sound it.

By the time that second message was broadcast, cars were already queuing at the downtown

See **EVACUATION** page 19A

## Capitol Access

By CAITLIN CONRAD

of dismal, with less than a third of California fourth graders receiving a passing grade in reading on the Nation’s Report Card in 2024. If you break the scores down by race and income level, outcomes are even worse. Black fourth graders in the Golden State tied for last place in reading

First mention —

## Hearst was more than just a newspaper man

By ELAINE HESSER

WHEN WILLIAM Randolph Hearst was 23, his father gave him control of The San Francisco Examiner. Two decades later, with Hearst atop a growing media empire that by then included papers in New York, Chicago and Los Angeles, he also owned large swaths of land in Monterey County.

In 1865, his father purchased about 40,000 acres of Rancho Piedra Blanca in San Luis Obispo County from Mexican land-grant holders for an estimated \$1 per acre. The younger Hearst inherited the land and expanded the property to about a quarter-million acres along the coast and inland in Monterey and northern San Luis Obispo counties. It was the Monterey County land that put William Randolph Hearst in the pages of the May 3, 1917, Pine Cone.

See **HEARST** page 16A

## PG&E: Upgrades will mean fewer, shorter power outages



PHOTO/KELLY NIX

With some scary-looking equipment looming over their shoulders, PG&E and Monterey officials gathered Thursday to dedicate a significantly upgraded substation they say will provide electricity for growth while cutting the Peninsula’s power outages by 50%. See page 14A.



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# Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

## Something about Cici

They didn't have a dog, didn't need a dog, didn't really want a dog. At least not then. Not until their 17-year-old daughter and her boyfriend found a 10-week-old pup rummaging around a Salinas dumpster outside McDonald's.

She brought the little gal to her Corral de Tierra home and said her boyfriend had given it to her for her birthday.

"We were apprehensive about her showing up with a stray dog," Dad said, "particularly when we were not really wanting to add the responsibility to our household. That was until we met the pup. Of course, now she sleeps in our bed."

Their daughter claimed her boyfriend's gift, named her Cici and then left for college. The name stuck, but not the boyfriend. He does get a lot of credit for the dog, Dad said.

"One Christmas, our son and daughter gave us a DNA test for Cici. We got a little pool going, and everyone tried to guess her breed by breaking down her characteristics. The guesses were pretty good, but the percentages were off. Turns out Cici is a Chiweenie – mostly Chihuahua and dachshund."

With a little terrier mixed in for tenacity.

Cici grew up going to Carmel Beach – otherwise



known as "Dog Beach," her family said – where she can run, off leash, along the shore. When she was young, she made it clear she didn't like the water and wasn't about to brave the waves.

"She really loves to catch a rubber ball we toss high," Dad said, "and she jumps up in the air to get it at its highest point. She's like a Frisbee dog, except that would be too big for her."

Cici, 11, is everyone's best friend. Whenever the kids – now 28 and 30 – come home, they find the dog first. She gets the biggest greeting.

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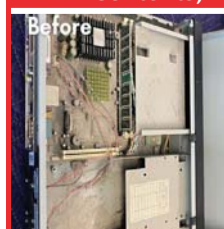
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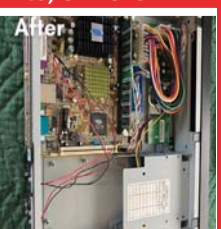


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# More debate over Stonehouse as national historic resource

By MARY SCHLEY

IN THE ongoing murkiness surrounding the nomination of the Stonehouse Terrace complex to the National Register of Historic Places, the Carmel City Council voted 4-1 Monday to return the debate to the city's historic resources board — which could very well vote the same way it did two months ago.

In April, the board decided to back Kristi Reimers, one of the owners of the complex, in her bid to have the San Carlos Street complex added to the National Register, where it would join the Carmel Mission, Sunset Center and Flanders Mansion.

### CEQA threat

But adding Stonehouse — which was built in 1977 and designed by the late architect Olof Dahlstrand — to the lists would qualify the complex as historic in the state's eyes, bringing with it a higher level of scrutiny under the California Environmental Quality Act. Neighboring property owner Patrice Pastor's local development company, Esperanza Carmel, has for the past six years been trying to get a mixed-use project, the JB Pastor Building, approved. Pastor's project qualifies for an exemption under CEQA as infill development, but that status could be lost if Stonehouse Terrace, located just east of his property, becomes historic.

Esperanza subsequently filed an appeal asking the city to overturn the board's decision to send a letter of support to the State Historic Resources Commission,

which votes on nominees for the federal list. The appeal further demanded the city tell the state it is withdrawing its backing and argued that the board overstepped by involving itself in state matters.

### 'Speculative, presumptive'

Specifically, Pastor alleged the city's historic resources board lacks the authority to send a support letter — “especially one that gives the reader the impression that a building will, in the future, be listed as a historic resource” — and that the letter was “speculative and presumptive” in declaring a future city action. The appeal also stated the board is simply advisory to the planning commission and city council, that the letter could harm Esperanza's applications and that sending the letter “violates proper public notice requirements.”

In their initial analyses of the property, Reimers' historian, Barbara Lamprecht, and the taxpayer-funded consultant hired

See **STONEHOUSE** page 21A



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Built in 1977, the Stonehouse Terrace was designed by the late Olof Dahlstrand, who has been described as a “master architect.”

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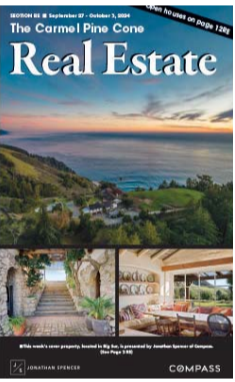
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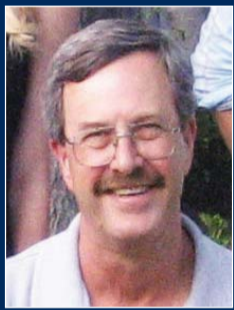


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**Police & Sheriff's Log**

**Bank cancels \$37,000 fraud charges**

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.

was arrested for violating probation and possessing an illegal knife and was taken to juvenile hall.

**FRIDAY, MAY 15**

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Prowler at Mission and 13th at 0310 hours.

**Pacific Grove:** Suspicious person wandering around the Glen Lake neighborhood.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Victim of credit card fraud at San Carlos and Sixth involving more than \$37,000. The charges were deemed fraudulent and eventually the bank removed the charges. Victim and bank requested documentation.

**Pacific Grove:** Property was found near the intersection of Sunset and Pico.

**THURSDAY, MAY 14**

**Pacific Grove:** Officers responded by phone to a possible protective order violation on Lighthouse Avenue which is being investigated.

**Carmel area:** Deputies conducted a welfare check on a student at Carmel High School.

**Seaside:** Tensions involving youth from the community spilled over into the City of Monterey, escalating into threats of violence. Seaside P.D. heard the call and immediately deployed extra resources across the city. Through proactive efforts, officers located one of the primary individuals involved. He

See **POLICE LOG** page 12RE in the Real Estate Section



**The gavel falls**

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

**May 18** — Jose Alberto Velasco, 38, a resident of Salinas, pleaded no contest to second-degree murder with use of a knife for fatally stabbing Fernando Lupian Rivas at DD's Discounts in Salinas. Velasco, who also admitted he had a prior violent felony conviction within the meaning of California's three strikes law, will receive a sentence of 36 years to life in prison for the crime.

On Oct. 22, 2023, Velasco confronted Lupian Rivas outside the store and repeatedly stabbed him with a knife for unknown reasons. The victim ran inside the store, where witnesses observed Velasco continue to stab him multiple times. Rivas died from his injuries. Velasco was apprehended at the scene.

The case was investigated by Salinas Police Department Detectives Pete Gomez and Robbie Miller. The Honorable Mark E. Hood will sentence Velasco on June 16, 2026.

**May 19** — Salinas Police Department

Officer Brian Gomez, 25, a resident of Salinas, has been charged with one felony count of possession of child sexual abuse material in violation of Penal Code Section 311.11(a). Under California law, if convicted, Gomez faces a sentence of probation, 16 months in state prison, or a maximum sentence of two years in state prison and will also be required to register as a sex offender for life.

Investigators are not aware of any known local victims. The charges do not allege any offense involving physical contact with a minor, nor do they involve allegations that Gomez created child sexual abuse material. Based on the information currently known to investigators, there is no indication of an ongoing threat to the public.

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## Judge bars suspect from contacting kids

By MARY SCHLEY

**THE FORMER** Carmel restaurant owner jailed in March on six counts of child molestation is set to appear in a Salinas courtroom next week for a preliminary hearing in the case. Last week, the mother of the children he's accused of abusing received an extension of the order barring him from contacting them.

On May 26, Monterey County Superior Court Commissioner Maria Mendoza extended a temporary restraining order requested by a Monterey woman to keep Dexter Salazar, 48, away from her and five children due to alleged emotional, physical and sexual abuse.

The woman, who is representing herself in court, is seeking a permanent order, but a ruling on that has been delayed while the criminal case proceeds.

She and Salazar — who remains in Monterey County Jail on \$6.6 million bail — were in the courtroom, while Salazar's defense attorney, Tom Worthington, appeared via Zoom and reiterated his request for a delay on a ruling regarding her request for a permanent order.

### Evidence pending

In the meantime, the court granted her "sole legal custody and sole physical custody of the children" and declared that Salazar "shall have no visitation with the children," nor can he access their school, health or other information.

A new hearing in family court on the permanent order was set for Oct. 15, when both sides will be required to provide evidence.

A preliminary hearing in the criminal case, which has been repeatedly rescheduled, is now set for June 11, with a June 9 check-in to ensure all parties are ready to proceed, according to court records.

At that hearing, the prosecutor will outline the evidence against Salazar, who was arrested by Marina police in March

and has pleaded not guilty to six counts of committing lewd and lascivious acts with three children under the age of 14 who were "particularly vulnerable," as defined by the California Penal Code, and of doing so with "planning, sophistication and professionalism." Each charge could carry a sentence of 25 years to life in prison.

After considering the evidence, which will likely include testimony from law enforcement, the judge will determine whether sufficient cause exists to proceed with the case against him.

### Restaurant still dark

Meanwhile, the restaurant he established at Sixth and San Carlos in 2014 — first called Affina and later renamed Edwin's — remains closed, while one of the partners in the business, Cheryl Rositano, has set up a GoFundMe campaign asking for help covering her expenses.

"I am currently in a temporary but difficult financial transition and asking for help for the first time in my life," she says on the fundraising site, adding that she is "actively looking for work in accounting and related fields."

"The situation I am in began after an investment with a restaurant, which is facing challenges with the landlord and staffing issues, that I am currently trying to resolve," she says.

On April 30, American Express National Bank filed a civil suit against a woman by the same name in Monterey County Superior Court for breach of contract and demanded payment of \$22,186.45 in credit card debt. She stopped making payments in October 2025, according to the complaint.

Her online plea for \$7,000 states the funds will help cover basic living expenses and a retainer for a lawyer "to properly address and resolve the legal situation so I can move forward."

If people can't offer money, she said she would appreciate job leads, words of encouragement and prayers.

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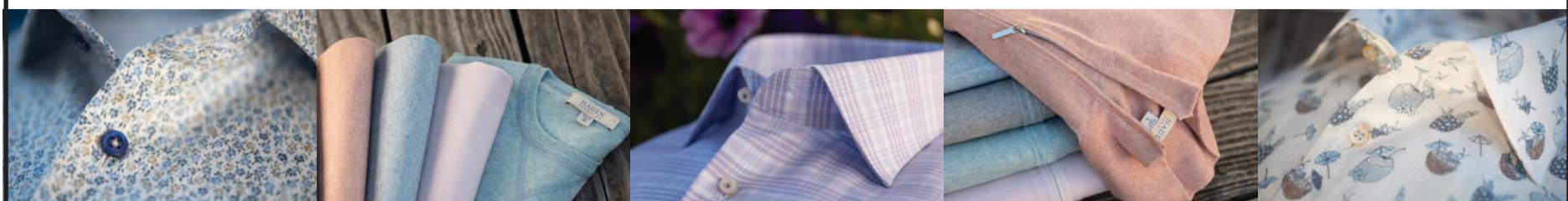
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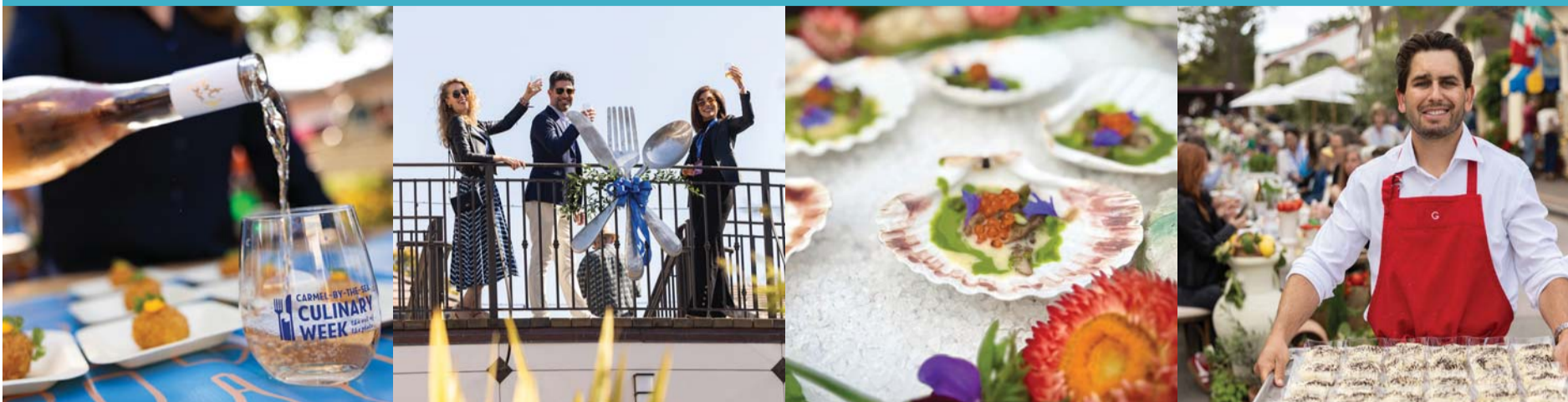


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## COUNCIL SUPPORTS PAID PARKING

By MARY SCHLEY

**MAKING PEOPLE** pay to park could relieve traffic congestion while filling city coffers, or it could ruin Carmel's character by peppering the downtown landscape with kiosks and signs. Following an extensive presentation by Police Chief Todd Trayer Monday, three councilmembers said they want to pursue a program, while two do not.

City officials and community members have debated paid parking — and whether it belongs in quirky Carmel — for decades. An experiment with meters on Ocean Avenue fizzled in mid-2015 after six months amid general opposition and confusion about how to pay.

### Artsy kiosks

At the council's urging, Trayer researched options for "parking management," with the goals of improving pedestrian safety, reducing traffic, generating more revenue, allowing people to leave their cars for longer, discouraging employees from parking downtown, and accommodating residents by providing free parking.

If motorists paid an hourly rate of \$1.50 between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. daily in 701 spaces bordered by Fifth and Eighth avenues and Junipero and Carmelo streets, the city would earn just over \$6,151 per day, for a "revenue potential" of \$2,214,459 annually, not accounting for costs, according to Trayer's calculations.

While most people pay for parking via mobile apps, state law requires the installation of kiosks in all but a few large cities. Trayer said they could be located near the busiest parking areas and suggested the

city could commission artists to come up with creative ways to adorn them.

Enforcement of the downtown two-hour parking limit and other zones has been minimal for the past year due to understaffing, but Trayer said he's working on hiring three officers to do a better job of writing tickets. Further, the penalty for overtime parking is \$40, but the fine could be raised.



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During a brief experiment with paid parking more than a decade ago, the city hired ambassadors to explain how the kiosks worked.

Monterey, for instance, charges \$48 for overtime parking. Cities pay \$12.50 per ticket to Monterey County to cover court costs, according to Trayer.

### Form a committee

After getting feedback from community members, more seem open to paid parking than before, according to the chief, much as their feelings turned around regarding standardized street addresses.

Several speakers supported the idea, though some were more reticent, but no one stood up to oppose it.

"I believe it is essential to really drill

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# Casanova fire victims hit new snag

## Nonprofits offer help

By MARY SCHLEY

THE DOZENS of residents displaced by a catastrophic fire in their Monterey apartment complex in early March received more bad news Wednesday regarding their efforts to return to their homes and retrieve their belongings.

In a somewhat bizarre turn of events, the Housing Authority of the County of Monterey, which owns the three-story, 86-unit complex, announced another delay in making the apartments accessible to former tenants — this time a legal one. While the agency initially stated it had been sued over the fire, a correction soon followed indicating it had actually received a cease-and-desist order.

“Legal counsel has advised the housing authority that a lawsuit has not been filed with the County of Monterey at this time. However, the housing authority has received a cease-and-desist order,” the notice said. “As a result of the order, the authority has been advised that the property must remain secured, and that access to units and removal of items from the site should not be permitted at this time. These restrictions are not decisions the authority has made voluntarily, but actions it must take based on the legal direction it has received.”

### Rotting food

Inquiries about the order, who sent it, and what it demands went unanswered, but the agency also said that “environmental and safety concerns remain at the property, and access cannot be granted until qualified professionals determine it is safe to do so.”

Last month, the housing authority told

former tenants — all of whom it said have found new homes — that 47 of the 86 units would be open May 15, and that the former occupants would be responsible for either retrieving and cleaning their possessions or abandoning them to be disposed of. It then delayed reopening the complex after cleanup crews found refrigerators and freezers full of food left to rot for months after tenants fled in the middle of the night when the fire erupted.

“The Housing Authority of the County of Monterey understands the frustration many former Casanova Avenue residents feel regarding access to their units and personal belongings,” the June 3 statement said. “We want residents to know that the authority is eager to facilitate access and the return of belongings as quickly as possible.”

Officials said they are continuing to “work diligently with legal counsel, investigators, environmental professionals and community partners to move these processes forward as quickly as possible.”

### Lots of assistance

Last week, a trio of charities announced a coordinated effort to provide \$110,000 in assistance to victims of the March 9 fire, which killed one person, injured seven and left dozens without a place to live.

The nonprofit Community Homeless Solutions received grants of \$50,000 from the Monterey Peninsula Foundation, \$35,000 from the Community Foundation for Monterey County — which includes \$25,000 from the Monterey County Fire Relief Fund and \$10,000 from an anonymous donor — and \$25,000 from Montage Health to help “close a critical funding gap and enable a coordinated recovery effort

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## Residents can't get in because of a cease-and-desist order

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# Arsonist identified in Tassajara Zen Center fire

By MARY SCHLEY

**T**HE 36-YEAR-OLD woman from Mountain View accused of setting fire to the Tassajara Zen Center in late March was admitted to a state psychiatric hospital following a hearing in a Napa County courtroom Thursday.

Fiona Lu, who also goes by the name Guoguo Lu, was charged by the Napa County District Attorney's Office on April 1 with felony evading arrest, and her mental health was subsequently called into question, according to court records.

On Tuesday, the Monterey County Sheriff's Office



PHOTO/SAN FRANCISCO ZEN CENTER

An arsonist set a fire that got so hot, it completely destroyed the zendo and its sacred contents at the Tassajara Zen Center.

identified Lu as the person who set fire to the meditation hall at the Tassajara Zen Center — the oldest Japanese Buddhist monastery in the United States — late on the evening of March 26. Deputies "were able to locate public online statements connecting her to the fire and making threats of future violence directed toward Buddhist temples in California," Cmdr. Andy Rosas said.

"One of the things Ms. Lu did was take credit for the fire and threats," he told a TV reporter shortly after the announcement. "Our concern is there might have been other crimes that involved Buddhist temples that we might not be aware of."

### 'Love and care'

The fire — which was brought under control by Cachagua Fire volunteers and the center's monks — destroyed the building, which contained sacred pieces more than 1,000 years old.

"While thankfully no one was injured, the meditation hall and most of its contents were lost. We are very sad to lose such a precious piece of our history but are also grateful, as it could have been so much worse," the San Francisco Zen Center, which is Tassajara's steward, said shortly after the fire. "While we are insured, there will still be significant costs in the months to come as we assess next steps and figure out a plan. We are deeply moved by the outpouring of love and care from our community and for all of the donations and offers of support so far."

On April 27, the San Francisco center's president, Michael McCord, along with the board chair and the

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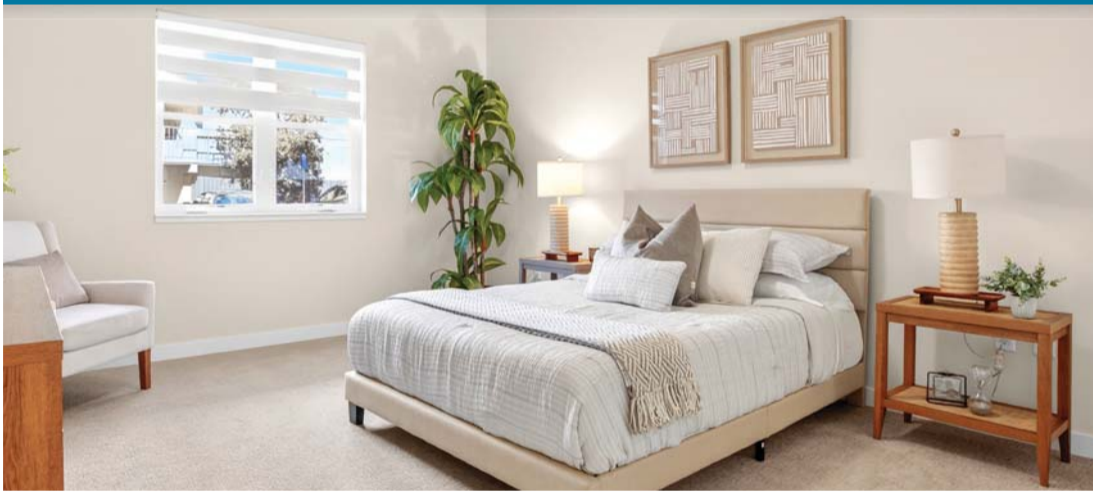


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# Pacific Grove beach to remain off limits after carcass discovery

By KELLY NIX

**PUBLIC ACCESS** to Lovers Point Beach was closed for a second day this week over concerns that sharks and other predators could feed on a dead whale floating near the shoreline.

At about 1 p.m. Wednesday, Pacific Grove police were notified of a deceased whale near Hopkins Marine Station. Police closed access to Lovers Point Beach, a popular spot for tourists and locals. Chief Casey Day announced Thursday morning that the beach — which is nearly a mile from where the juvenile humpback whale was found — would remain closed.

The whale carcass, which eventually washed up on the beach at Hopkins Marine Station, attracted hundreds of curious onlookers this week.

“Beach access to Lovers Point will remain temporarily closed while the situation is assessed and monitored,” Day said Thursday. “Marine mammal carcasses can attract sharks, particularly larger predatory species, which is the primary concern prompting this precautionary measure.”

### Necropsy planned

Police said a team of researchers, including from Marine Mammal Stranding Networks at UC Santa Cruz’s Long Marine Laboratory, Moss Landing Marine Laboratories, Stanford University’s Hopkins Marine Station, and NOAA Fisheries, are gathering information about the whale, while also minimizing disturbance to wildlife.

“Over the next 24 hours, trained responders will conduct a limited necropsy

examination to collect biological samples,” a release stated.

The samples could help researchers understand the cause of death.

Sharks are not uncommon along the coast of the Monterey Peninsula, including Pacific Grove. While orcas are humpbacks’ primary predators, they usually attack calves.

On Dec. 21, Erica Fox, 55, was swimming near Lovers Point when witnesses said a shark attacked her. Cal Fire and Santa Cruz County sheriff’s deputies recovered her body from the ocean south of Davenport Beach in Santa Cruz County about a week later.

She died from sharp and blunt force injuries and submersion in water due to a shark attack, the Santa Cruz County coroner determined.



PHOTO/KELLY NIX

A deer grazes near the carcass of a juvenile humpback whale on the beach at Hopkins Marine Station. A necropsy will be performed to determine how it died.

Pacific Grove police, which is coordinating with wildlife and coastal management agencies, said it would provide updates when more information is available.



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# PG&E upgrades promise fewer outages

By KELLY NIX

A NEWLY rebuilt PG&E substation that went online last month in Monterey will help reduce power outages on the Peninsula by as much as half, utility officials said this week.

On Thursday morning, PG&E and Monterey officials gathered at the substation on Del Monte Avenue next to the Monterey Sports Center to discuss a \$42 million transformer, state-of-the-art switchgear building and new power lines. The infrastructure adds 30 megawatts of electricity, which PG&E said is enough to supply power to about 7,500 homes and serve more than 10,000 customers from Pacific Grove to Cannery Row and downtown Monterey.

## Capacity, redundancy

The upgraded substation, which was energized May 6, along with improvements to power lines, transformers and a substation on Fremont Boulevard, “provides much more redundancy, so when a problem does occur, we can more quickly restore power and get the lights back on,” James Tucillo, PG&E’s senior manager of distribution and planning, told members of the press.

The changes are expected to reduce the Peninsula’s frequent power outages and their duration by 50%. They will also allow for more capacity for electrification, including

more electric vehicle chargers.

Monterey council members Kim Barber and Jean Rasch attended Thursday’s event. Rasch and Monterey City Manager Dante Hall addressed the press and thanked PG&E for the infrastructure.

“It’s really on top of our priorities to create energy resilience,” Hall said. “So, this is going to be a big help, especially during storms, to support our downtown and the rest of our community.”

## Keeping the power on

The multiyear project, PG&E said, will also make it easier for the power company to isolate problems and reroute electricity during outages so it can restore power more quickly during extreme weather events. PG&E’s regional senior manager Jeremy Howard said the project would strengthen the grid to help it better withstand poor weather conditions.

“Our community deserves an electric system that’s reliable and ready for the future, and investments like this are helping us deliver it,” Howard said.

PG&E predicts that demand for electricity will double by 2040 due to the proliferation of electric vehicles, manufacturing facilities and data centers.

The upgrades, the company said, will “increase capacity and strengthen reliability at the lowest cost possible to customers.”

# Panetta cruises through another primary

By KELLY NIX

DEMOCRATIC REP. Jimmy Panetta dominated Tuesday’s primary election and will face off against a Republican in the Nov. 3 general election.

Panetta, 56, represents the 19th Congressional District, which includes the Monterey Peninsula. He garnered 64,596 votes (58.3%), while Republican Peter Coe Verbica, 65, was the second-highest vote-getter with 25,297 (22.8%). There were five other candidates on the ballot.

“The people are unified behind making sure that their public servants actually deliver for them,” Panetta told The Pine Cone Wednesday, “and I think that’s demonstrated in the results, considering the work that I have done and will continue to do when it comes to legislation and bringing in federal funds.”

The Carmel Valley congressman also credited his staff for everything they do for constituents, including in the areas of immigration, Medicare and taxes.

The congressman has criticized President Donald Trump’s stances on offshore oil drilling, the war in Iran, Medicaid, immigration enforcement, energy and other issues.

The top two vote-getters in California’s primary election advance to the general election regardless of party preference or whether one candidate receives a majority of votes in the primary. Only candidates running for state superintendent of public instruction or candidates for voter-nominated offices in special elections can win outright by getting a majority of the vote in the primary.

Panetta was elected in 2016 and took office in early 2017, which means his next term will be his sixth.

# P.G. voters say ‘no thanks’ to paying council more

By KELLY NIX

A BALLOT measure seeking a pay increase for members of the Pacific Grove City Council was defeated in Tuesday’s election, according to preliminary results from the county elections department.

As of Wednesday, Measure C had received 1,700 yes votes (43.55%) compared to 2,204 no votes (56.45%). The elections department is still counting ballots, but such a large margin of defeat is very unlikely to be overturned. If the measure had passed, it would have raised council members’ pay from \$420 a month to \$987, and the mayor’s from \$700 a month to \$1,645.

Compensation for the city council has remained the same since 1998, and proponents argued it’s time for an increase. Paying more, they say, would also attract more residents to run for office.

## ‘Without drama’

Despite support for the measure from the council, it appears that most voters don’t like the idea of paying them more.

Former Mayor Bill Kampe, who along with PG Progressives president John Mothershead helped lead the Measure C campaign, said he was “disappointed” in the results of the election.

“Cities in our county and throughout California made this salary adjustment,” Kampe told The Pine Cone Thursday. “They did it without delay, without extra expense, and without drama. I feel this is not a healthy outcome for Pacific Grove.”

Former P.G. councilman Luke Coletti, whose group, Transparent Pacific Grove, led the No on Measure C campaign, said there were good reasons for the measure to be defeated.

“After reducing the number of council meetings, approving an immediate 135% pay raise, pursuing medical benefits and spending \$63,000 on an unnecessary special election,” Coletti said Wednesday morning, “voters gave Mayor Nick Smith and the council exactly what they deserved: nothing.”

Signatories to the argument in favor of Measure C were Kampe, former Mayor Bill Peake, former council members Robert Huitt and Amy Tomlinson, and retired city recreation department employee Don Mothershead.



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# P.G. council fills empty seat

By KELLY NIX

THE PACIFIC Grove City Council this week chose a city planning commissioner to fill a seat that has been vacant since April, when Paul Walkingstick stepped down for family reasons.

In a 6-0 vote Wednesday night, council members appointed Nicholas Mourlam to fill the seat until a successor is elected and qualified in the Nov. 3 election. Mourlam, director of development for the Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health, previously served as chair of the city's economic development commission.

"I'm committed to Pacific Grove, and I'm motivated to do my part to ensure this wonderful place remains a vibrant, sustainable, forward-thinking community for the next generation," Mourlam told the council Wednesday night.

He was selected after the council heard from him and five other residents who applied for the seat.

Mourlam said his experience on city panels gave him a thorough understanding of local governance and policy.

"I understand how to be efficient in

meetings and appreciate the unique balance that is required to preserve the historic character of Pacific Grove while fostering responsible economic growth," he said.

He said his job at the Lucile Packard Foundation requires sophisticated budgeting, financial forecasting and long-term strategic planning — skills he said are "directly applicable to maintaining the fiscal responsibility" of Pacific Grove.

### 'Deeply rooted'

Mourlam, who has a 5-year-old daughter, teaches piano and served as the musical director at a local church.

The planning commissioner said he is deeply rooted in Pacific Grove.

"My combination of local commission experience, professional financial oversight and deep community roots qualify me to serve the residents of Pacific Grove effectively," he said in his application.

After being appointed, Mourlam sat in Walkingstick's former seat and participated in the remainder of the meeting.

After the defeat of Measure C Tuesday, he will be paid \$420 per month to serve on the council.

# City explores 'patriotic' crosswalk

By KELLY NIX

A DECORATIVE crosswalk to commemorate America's 250th birthday could be coming to a Monterey street.

On Tuesday, at the request of Vice Mayor Ed Smith, a former police officer, council members approved discussion of a "patriotic" red, white and blue crosswalk at the June 16 council meeting. Smith would like the crosswalk installed in time for July 4 and Monterey's annual parade.

His motion was to "direct staff to receive the request for consideration of

a red, white and blue patriotic crosswalk at a location to be determined by staff on the Alvarado sector." He added that private groups have offered to fully fund the installation and maintenance of the "temporary" crosswalk.

Smith and Councilwoman Jean Rasch approved discussion of a patriotic crosswalk at the next council meeting, but Councilmembers Gino Garcia and Kim Barber, without explanation, voted against the idea. Mayor Tyller Williamson was

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# HEARST

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Thanks to strategic concerns tied to the United States' entry into World War I, it looked as if a Carmel-San Simeon highway championed by Hearst might become a reality. A bill to appropriate \$400,000 for the project had just

won approval in the California Assembly.

"Under the act, the state will cooperate with the federal government in the construction of highways considered to be of importance for preparedness for defense," the story said. The Pine Cone seemed hopeful that backing from Hearst and the State Automobile Association would make the local road a more attractive project.

It was nine years before another substantive mention was made of the magnate — a Feb. 6, 1926, article said

he'd purchased more property in Monterey and San Luis Obispo counties, bringing his total holdings to more than 300,000 acres. "The Carmel-San Simeon highway," which by then was under construction, "passes through much of this land," observed The Pine Cone.

### No signs

The project, however, was about to stall for two years after running out of money. Construction, which began in 1921, would not be completed until 1937.

A Nov. 8, 1929, editorial harkened to the early days of a spot near Lucia, about 15 miles north of the Monterey-San Luis Obispo county line, and told readers, "The highway is marching steadily toward Pacific Valley. If you can beg, borrow or steal a horse, go and see it as was, before the graders, rock crushers and what-not reach it."

In early 1930, the paper reported, Hearst declared a "no-sign area" throughout his holdings, meaning no billboards would be erected along the highway. (That meant



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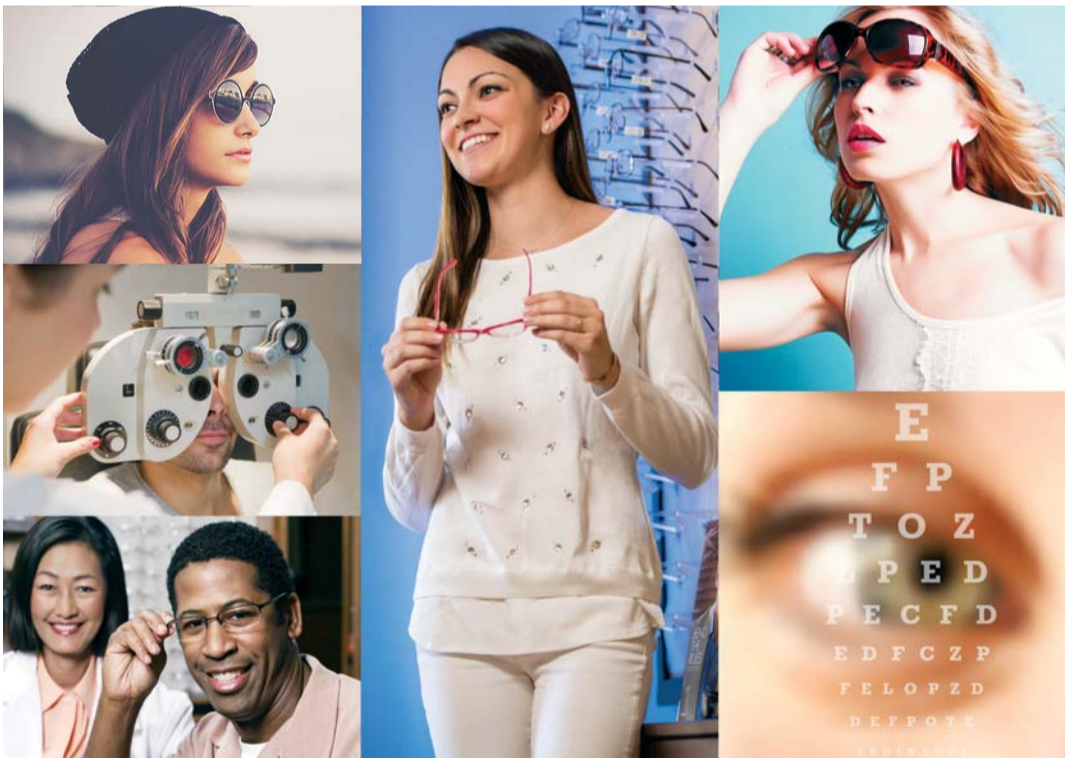
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Hearst Castle in San Simeon, where William Randolph Hearst wined and dined celebrities and VIPs, is now a state historic monument and popular destination for tourists and locals alike.

that motorists on the new road would also be spared the Burma-Shave advertising doggerel ubiquitous in other parts of the country.)

By 1931, Hearst's purchases appeared to make The Pine Cone a bit nervous. He apparently wanted to swap 17,000 acres of land he owned near Mount Shasta for 5,000 acres that would give him "virtual control of the Nacimiento River," which passes through Monterey and San Luis Obispo counties. That upset hunters and fishermen, and, the paper said, "Carmel, and the people of

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# HIGHWAY

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Monterey County generally, should join with the sportsmen in opposing this trade or any transfer of holdings in the Forest Reserve." The newspaper never reported whether the deal went through.

In early 1933, Hearst donated 2 miles of "ocean frontage" to California State Parks, The Pine Cone said. The not-overly specific news item said it was "between Cambria and the mouth of San Simeon Creek" and would

# ARSON

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central abbot, reiterated their commitment to Tassajara and said they would continue with plans to accommodate guests during the summer, "and to continue monastic life in the valley as we find our way forward."

But they also predicted rebuilding the meditation hall, called a "zendo," to code in their remote location will be "complex and expensive" and will probably exceed whatever amount insurance covers.

"We are working with legal counsel, Monterey County, and our development team to address various code compliance concerns and determine next steps," they said.

At the time, they believed the fire was probably accidental, perhaps sparked by an electrical problem. After the sheriff's office advised them of Lu's arrest, they stated they couldn't comment due to the criminal investigation, but said, "May the individual allegedly responsible receive the care and support they need while also being held accountable for their actions."

## Involuntary treatment

Rosas said Lu is facing felony charges of arson and committing a hate crime and that she'll be extradited from Napa County. Her bail will be set at \$130,000.

That will presumably occur after her mental competency is restored. A Napa County Superior Court judge ordered her June 4 to be committed for treatment, according to Carlos Villatoro, PR and media officer for the Napa County District Attorney's Office.

"The defendant appeared in court today for a mental competency hearing, and the court found restoration of competency was in the interest of justice," he said. "She was committed to the Department of State Hospitals, and the involuntary administration of anti-psychotic medication was ordered by the court."

be accessible when the Cambria-San Simeon highway opened. That August, there was a discussion of an ordinance, backed by Hearst, "to prevent erection of the unsightly structures along the highway or other land uses detrimental to the scenic beauty," thus preventing a potential plague of billboards.

In the run-up to World War II and with Japanese forces committing widespread atrocities in Manchuria, several Pine Cone editorials took a strong isolationist position and lambasted Hearst for pushing for war against Japan.

## Command performance

Lest anyone underestimate the vitriol, on May 8, 1935, a Pine Cone editorial opined: "William Randolph Hearst and his chain of slimy papers are one of the great menaces to peace in this country. Mr. Hearst tasted of power when he helped to precipitate the Spanish-American War. He has been busily preparing his gullible readers to fight Japan for many years." It then proposed that he wouldn't be above using his newspapers to convince people that the Japanese people were cannibals who ate White children for breakfast.

On Nov. 15, 1935, The Pine Cone endorsed and reprinted a large portion of an editorial from the San

Francisco Wasp-News Letter that all but called him senile, saying he was "a grotesque old child," given to throwing temper tantrums motivated by a blind, visceral hatred of President Franklin Roosevelt.

After 1938, mentions of Hearst began to dwindle. That was the year when, facing bankruptcy, he sold a large part of his vast art collection and some of his landholdings. He also asked a Carmel filmmaker to come to San Simeon to show his documentary about everyday life in Japan. The paper described the "invitation" as a "royal command."

An Oct. 24, 1947, story about Harry Downie — renowned for his extensive restoration work on the Carmel Mission — said Hearst had donated a half-million dollars "for the restoration of the California Missions."

That was the last significant Pine Cone mention of Hearst during his lifetime — but not the last time he was an important figure in Monterey County. He died on Aug. 15, 1951, and about seven years later, Hearst Castle was donated to "the people of the State of California" and became part of the State Parks system. Formally known as Hearst San Simeon State Historical Monument, it has since become a world-famous destination for visitors and a perennial favorite day trip for residents of the Monterey Peninsula.

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# PARKING

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into the details,” said Carmel Residents Association board member Nancy Twomey, who went on to admit that she’s “more supportive of paid parking” than in the past.

“I would like to see a lot more data and questions answered,” she said.

Twomey encouraged the formation of a citizens committee similar to the groups that worked on affordable housing alternatives and street addresses.

Former councilwoman Karen Ferlito said she’s a proponent, especially since the situation downtown is “organized chaos.”

Another former councilmember, innkeeper Carrie Theis, said the city can’t continue to ignore the need for paid parking, which would allow people to visit for longer and therefore spend more.

She also noted that Carmel’s reputation for poor parking keeps people away.

Business owner Kristi Reimers argued for focusing on

enforcement before undertaking any sort of program.

“Try compliance first, because we haven’t seen what it would be like if we have adequate enforcement,” she said.

But she also said employees who appear to accept parking tickets as the price of leaving their cars downtown are unlikely to be swayed by an hourly fee.

People should pay to park on Scenic Road, resident Kevin Ruess commented, while residents should be afforded some privileges.

As for aesthetics, he suggested parking kiosks could be incorporated into the newsstands scattered around town.

## Sweet spot

Hotel owner Mark Stilwell described the implementation of paid parking as “low-hanging fruit,” especially since it’s worked well in other resort towns like Truckee.

The city will have to find the sweet spot for hourly rates — just expensive enough to keep people moving, but not so high that it drives them away or pushes them to find free parking spaces in residential areas, said councilmember Jeff Baron. He also supports the idea of finding artists to decorate parking kiosks.

Councilman Bob Delves said he doesn’t mind the

kiosks. He also favored dynamic pricing based on supply and demand.

Reading from her notes, councilwoman Alissandra Dramov said she does not want to take any steps to implement paid parking for at least a year.

“We need to allow the parking enforcement to be given a chance to be in full effect for a year, and then we can revisit the issue once we have the data and the facts to analyze how it’s functioning,” she explained.

Councilmember Hans Buder, a candidate for mayor in November, flatly opposed charging for parking, speculating it would push the problem into residential areas.

“There is a graveyard of past efforts on this,” he said, suggesting the council focus on more pressing issues. “I don’t see paid parking as being in keeping with the character of Carmel.”

He joined Dramov in favoring ramping up enforcement before making any other changes.

“I think we need to go down the path of turning the chief loose with a group of really smart people,” countered Mayor Dale Byrne. “I think we need to try this.”

With three in favor and two against, acting city administrator Brandon Swanson said the council will receive an update in the next couple of months.

# VICTIMS

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with the Housing Authority of the County of Monterey and the City of Monterey.”

The money is paying for a new Community Homeless Solutions program developed solely for the Casanova victims to provide individualized case management, information on housing, needs assessments, rent subsidies and move-in assistance, and follow-up support aimed at helping them retain their housing, the groups said.

## ‘Chaotic and stressful’

Montage Health also described the assistance it provided in the immediate aftermath of the fire, including addressing urgent needs for “medications, medical equipment, wound care supplies and transportation, while coordinating with primary care providers, specialists, care-management teams, dialysis centers, and equipment vendors to ensure continuity of care.”

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# EVACUATION

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intersection, waiting to be escorted by police to the safe zone, which turned out to be Carmel Middle School.

Less than an hour later, dozens of cars had made the trip, according to Police Chief Todd Trayer, the driving force behind the drill, and 53 people rode the buses provided by Monterey-Salinas Transit. Several brought their dogs — some of which got along and some of which did not — and participants included city councilmembers Hans Buder and Jeff Baron, former Mayor Dave Potter and Janine Chicourrat, and many others. Monterey County 5th District Supervisor Kate Daniels got a tour of the goings-on from the passenger seat of Carmel P.D.'s Ford Mach-E.

Trayer said more people participated than he expected. "We had 82 vehicles counted at Junipero and Ocean, but there were more people at the safe zone, which means people jumped into the convoy along the way, which is great," he said, for a total of just over 100 cars.

Around 75 volunteers, including Community Emergency Response Team members from Carmel, Monterey, Pacific Grove and Big Sur, assisted, and Trayer said Cal Fire and Monterey Fire provided drones so he and others in the emergency operations center at Vista Lobos could see events as they unfolded, including how convoys were escorted.

"We're going to work on training with the team — the volunteers and the police department on traffic control methodology — so we're all on the same page," he said.

Trayer also took home some lessons regarding communications and dispatching

and said the collaboration with so many agencies and volunteer groups was "in a super positive way a bit overwhelming."

"That was powerful, and there were a lot of high fives and handshakes," he said.

Wanda Vollmer, who runs Peace of Mind Preparedness and is a Carmel emergency response team captain, said she thought the drill was a success and was well orchestrated. "But we learned a lot," she said. "Nothing is ever perfect."

And, of course, it carried none of the panic and haste that a true evacuation effort would entail.

"My biggest thing is for residents to understand this was a drill. Real emergencies are different, not every disaster looks the same, and there's no guarantee that a real evacuation would be as coordinated," she said. "I hope people understand that preparedness on a household level is so important and that everyone has a go bag."

### A party

Vollmer said she heard from volunteers and others who want to stage similar exercises in their communities. "It strengthened our team and our community, and there were so many great lessons," she said. And the safe zone "had a party atmosphere."

Surveys were given to participants and volunteers, and their information is being compiled — as are details and takeaways from the drill — for an after-action report that Trayer will provide in a month or two.

One key mistake, he said, was neglecting to get coffee to the middle school to accompany the muffins the city provided.

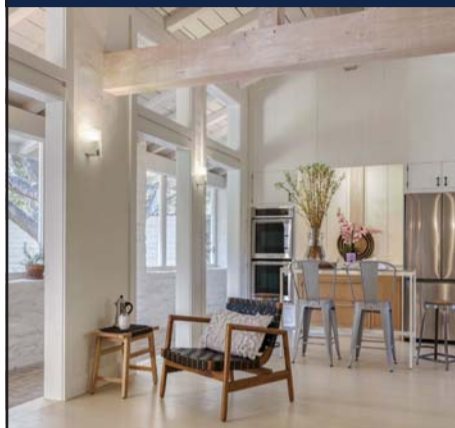
"I screwed up and didn't have coffee at the safe zone, so I will have a makeup coffee day for the community," he promised.

Trayer also mentioned bringing some of his famous cookies to share, but that might be going a bit too far.



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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. Date: June 3, 2026 WT Capital Lender Services, a California corporation 7522 North Colonial Avenue, Suite 111 Fresno, California 93711 (559) 228-8393 WTCap.com By Nate Kucera Chief Executive Officer (IFS# 44612 06/09/26, 06/16/26, 06/23/26)

Publication dates: June 5, 12, 19, 2026 (PC620)

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# PUBLIC NOTICES

## SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

### ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 26CV002647  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, VERONICA FUENTE aka MARIA VERONICA DE LOS ANGELES FUENTE aka MARIA VERONICA CASADO-FUENTE filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
**Present name:**  
A. VERONICA FUENTE  
B. MARIA VERONICA DE LOS ANGELES FUENTE  
**Proposed name:**  
VERONICA FUENTE

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: July 7, 2026  
TIME: 10:00 a.m.  
DEPT: 14  
The address of the court is 1200 Agujito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.  
(s) Ian A. Rivamonte  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Date filed: May 15, 2026  
Publication Dates: May 22, 29, June 5, 12, 2026. (PC 547)

## SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

### ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 26CV002671  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, SETH AUSTIN AYALA-SANDERS, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

**A Present name:**  
SETH AUSTIN AYALA-SANDERS  
**Proposed name:**  
SETH AUSTIN AYALA MORALES  
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: July 14, 2026  
TIME: 10:00 a.m.  
DEPT: 14  
The address of the court is 1200 Agujito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.  
Date filed: May 18, 2026  
(s) Ian A. Rivamonte  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Publication Dates: May 22, 29, June 5, 12, 2026. (PC 548)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20261057  
Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**YOU SING KARAOKE, 1484 Sonoma Ave., Seaside, CA 93955.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY  
Registered Owner(s): JUSTIN DOUGLAS BATES, 1484 Sonoma Ave. #A, Seaside, CA 93955.  
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 1, 2022.  
S/Justin Douglas Bates  
Date signed: May 15, 2026  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 15, 2026.  
Publication Dates: May 22, 29, June 5, 12, 2026 (PC 550)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20261090  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**MONTEREY BAY PSYCHIATRY, 126 Clock Tower Pl, Suite 104C, Carmel, CA 93923.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY  
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: MONTEREY BAY PSYCHIATRY ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSING INC.  
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 May 13, 2026.  
S/Halleh Entexhabi, President  
Date: May 19, 2026  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 19, 2026.  
Publication Dates: May 29, June 5, 12, 19 2026. (PC 552)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20260995  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**Jardines De Boronda, 15087 Canario Street, Salinas, CA 93907**  
County of MONTEREY  
Registrant(s): Eden South County, Inc., 22645 Grand Street, Hayward, CA 94541  
This business is conducted by a Corporation Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.  
Eden South County, Inc.  
S/ Linda Mandolini, CEO  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 05/06/2026.  
5/29, 6/5, 6/12, 6/19/26  
**CNS-4044259#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication Dates: May 29, June 5, 12, 19, 2026. (PC 553)

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20261076  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**SIERRA NEVADA WINDOW CLEANING COMPANY, 26080 Carmel Rancho Blvd. 200A, Carmel, CA 93923.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY  
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: MONTEREY BAY WINDOW CLEANING COMPANY, 26080 Carmel Rancho Blvd. 200A, Carmel, CA 93923.  
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/Thurman Cole, President  
Date: May 18, 2026  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 18, 2026.  
Publication Dates: May 29, June 5, 12, 19, 2026 (PC 555)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20260988  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**POPPY HILLS GOLF COURSE, 3200 Lopez Road, Pebble Beach, CA 93953.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY  
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: POPPY HOLDING INC.  
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 March 18, 1992.  
S/Amanda Champion, CFO  
Date: May 5, 2026  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 5, 2026.  
Publication Dates: May 29, June 5, 12, 19, 2026 (PC 556)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20261067  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**E.C. AIR REPAIRS AND HANDYMAN, 18892 Hoover St., Salinas, CA 93906.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY  
Registered Owner(s): EMILIANO CRUZ BADILLO  
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/Emiliano Cruz Badillo  
Date signed: May 18, 2026  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 18, 2026.  
Publication Dates: May 29, June 5, 12, 19, 2026 (PC 557)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20261087  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**AUNI COOKS, 2 Santa Rita SW of 3rd Ave., Carmel, CA 93921.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY  
Registered Owner(s): AUNIKAH BASTIAN, P.O. Box 284, Carmel, CA 93921.  
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 15, 2026.  
S/Aunikah Bastian  
Date signed: May 19, 2026  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 19, 2026.

Publication Dates: May 29, June 5, 12, 19, 2026 (PC 558)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20261103  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**ADAPTHEALTH, 43 400 CLARK ST, STE. D SALINAS, CA 93901-4713,** County of MONTEREY  
Registered Owner(s): ADAPTHEALTH WEST LLC, 555 EAST NORTH LANE, STE. 5075 CONSHO-HOCKEN, PA 19428, DE  
This business is conducted by A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A  
S/JASON CLEMENS, CFO  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 05/21/2026  
6/5, 6/12, 6/19, 6/26/26  
**CNS-4047644#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication Dates: June 5, 12, 19, 26, 2026. (PC 603)

### Lien Sale Auction Advertisement

Notice is hereby given that Pursuant to the California Self-Service Storage Facility Act, (B&P Code 21700 et. Seq.), the undersigned will sell at public auction; personal property including but not limited to furniture, tools, and /or other misc. items. Auction to be held at 4:00 pm on June 23rd, 2026: [www.storage-treasures.com](http://www.storage-treasures.com)  
The property is stored at:  
**Leonard's Lockers Self Storage, 816 Elvee Drive, Salinas, CA 93901**  
**Name of Tenants**  
Richard Allen Davidisen  
Lute Fukofuka Vea  
Manuel J Palomino  
Salina Rosalinda Davis  
Marisa Villegas  
Allana Priolo  
Elba Gomez  
**Marina U-Store Self Storage**  
**475 Reservation Rd., Marina, CA 93933**  
**Name of Tenants**  
Deborah James  
Faanati Tui-Havea  
**Coastal Storage**  
**575 California Ave, Sand City, Ca. 93955**  
**Name of Tenants**  
Martin Gilbert  
**Rossi Self Storage**  
**10 Rossi Cr., Salinas, CA 93907**  
**Name of Tenants**  
Christian Oriiz  
David Ivester  
6/5/26  
**CNS-4047945#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication Dates: June 5, 2026 (PC 604)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20261070  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**PARTNERSHIP BEHAVIOR GROUP, 288 Pearl Street, Monterey, CA 93940.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY  
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: PARTNERSHIP BEHAVIOR GROUP, LLC, 288 Pearl Street, 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 or names listed above on April 16, 2026.  
S/John Yee, COO  
Date: May 18, 2026  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 18, 2026.  
Publication Dates: June 5, 12, 19, 26, 2026 (PC 605)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20261083  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**Valor Hospice, 306 Capitol St., Ste. 203, Salinas, CA 93901 - 2604**  
County of MONTEREY  
Registrant(s): Home Connect Hospice LLC, 200 Brown Rd., Ste. 106, Fremont, CA 94539  
This business is conducted by a limited liability company  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.  
Home Connect Hospice LLC  
S/ David Rodriguez, Manager  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 05/19/2026.  
6/5, 6/12, 6/19, 6/26/26  
**CNS-4048009#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication Dates: June 5, 12, 19, 26, 2026. (PC 606)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20261080  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**Daniel Perales Audio, 182 Paddon Pl, Apt 9, Marina, CA 93933,** County of Monterey  
Registered Owner(s): Daniel Joseph Perales, 182 Paddon Pl, Apt 9, Marina, CA 93933  
This business is conducted by an individual Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on not applicable  
S/ Daniel Joseph Perales  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 05/18/2026  
6/5, 6/12, 6/19, 6/26/26  
**CNS-4048283#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication Dates: June 5, 12, 19, 26, 2026. (PC 607)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20261075  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**LA CHISPA DEL SABOR MICHIOACANO, 1431 TETON AVE, SALINAS, CA 93906,** County of MONTEREY  
Registered Owner(s): IRMA CASTRO ZARAGOZA, 1431 TETON AVE, SALINAS, CA 93906  
This business is conducted by AN INDIVIDUAL  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE  
S/ IRMA CASTRO ZARAGOZA  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 05/18/2026  
6/5, 6/12, 6/19, 6/26/26  
**CNS-4048334#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication Dates: June 5, 12, 19, 26, 2026. (PC 608)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20261085  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**The Staging Studio, 343 Rhine Ct, Salinas, CA 93906,** County of Monterey  
Registered Owner(s): Las Shapholics LLC, 343 Rhine Ct, Salinas, CA 93906, California  
This business is conducted by a limited liability company  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 01/01/2026  
S/ Jacquelyne Cervantes, Managing Member  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 05/19/2026  
6/5, 6/12, 6/19, 6/26/26  
**CNS-4048276#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication Dates: June 5, 12, 19, 26, 2026. (PC 609)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20261163  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**ALEX MARTIN RACING, 16610 Toro Hills Court, Salinas, CA 93908.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY  
Registered Owner(s): ALEX STEPHEN MARTIN, 16610 Toro Hills Court, Salinas, CA 93908.  
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 2026.  
S/Alex Stephen Martin  
Date signed: May 23, 2026  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 1, 2026.  
Publication Dates: June 5, 12, 19, 26, 2026 (PC 611)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20261114  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**PAJARO BEAUTY SALON, 47 Porter Dr., Watsonville, CA 95076.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY  
Registered Owner(s): JUAN ALVARO RUIZ GOMEZ, 191 Hudson Landing Rd., Royal Oaks, CA 95076.  
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/Juan Ruiz Gomez  
Date signed: May 26, 2026  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 26, 2026.  
Publication Dates: June 5, 12, 19, 26, 2026 (PC 613)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20261167  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**1. AXIOM AGING ADVISORS**  
**2. DAWG WATER**  
**3. FIRE ART PHOTOGRAPHY**  
**10175 Sun Star Rd., Monterey, CA 93940.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY  
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: SUNSTAR COLLECTIVE, LLC, 10175 Sun Star Rd., 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 or names listed above on June 1, 2026.  
S/Natalie H. Gibson, Manager  
Date: June 1, 2026  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on June 1, 2026.  
Publication Dates: June 5, 12, 19, 26, 2026 (PC 615)

## Public Notice

### Pebble Beach Community Services District NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Friday, June 26, 2026

The Board of Directors of the Pebble Beach Community Services District (PBCSD) adopted a Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27 (July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027). The Board will hold a public hearing on Friday, June 26, 2026 at 9:40 a.m., to adopt the Final Budget, including annual fees for sewer collection and treatment, fire protection, and solid waste collection services. The public is invited to attend this meeting to comment or seek clarification on any item included in the Preliminary Budget. Additional information and copies of the Preliminary Budget are available on the District's website, [www.pbcسد.org](http://www.pbcسد.org).

Publication date: June 5, 2026 (PC601)

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Pursuant to the lien laws of the State of California, the contents of the following storage units will be sold to satisfy the owner's lien for unpaid rent and other charges. The sale will include personal property stored in the units listed below. The contents are generally described as household goods, furniture, boxes, and other miscellaneous items unless otherwise noted. The sale will be conducted online at [www.StorageTreasures.com](http://www.StorageTreasures.com)

**Auction Date: Wednesday June 17, 2026 at 12:00 pm**  
Facility Name: SP032 - Storage PRO of Carmel, LLC  
Facility Address: 9640 Carmel Valley Rd , Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA, 93923  
Facility Phone: (831) 250-6062

Units to be Sold :  
6048 - Joseph Skaro  
6040 - Melvinia Paxton  
7126 - Theresa Buccola  
All sales are subject to cancellation. Payment of the balance due prior to the sale will stop the sale of the property. The property may be withdrawn at any time before the sale.

Publish: June 05, 2026  
The Carmel Pine Cone

Publication date: June 5, 2026 (PC602)

## NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF SANFORD LEE EDELSTEIN Case No. 26PR000221

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of SANFORD LEE EDELSTEIN

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Robin Stacey Edelstein in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Robin Stacey Edelstein 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 on June 17, 2026 at 9:00 AM in Dept. No. 13 located at 1200 Agujito Rd., 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 ob-

jections 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.

**Attorney for petitioner:**  
**STEVEN THOMAS SCHLEIER ESQ**  
**SBN 67434**  
**LAW OFFICES OF STEVEN T SCHLEIER**  
1901 AVE OF THE STARS  
2ND FL  
LOS ANGELES, CA 90067  
CN 127464 EDELSTEIN  
May 22, 29, Jun 5, 2026 (PC546)



## PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Historic Resources Board of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a Public Hearing on Monday, June 15, 2026, at 4:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as possible. Immediately prior to the Public Hearing, the Board will visit some or all the project sites in person as part of a Tour of Inspection. Interested members of the public are invited to attend both the Tour and the Hearing.**

**THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD VIA TELECONFERENCE AND IN PERSON AT CITY HALL.** The public is welcome to attend the meeting in person or remotely via Zoom; however, the meeting will proceed as normal even if there are technical difficulties accessing Zoom. The City will do its best to resolve any technical issues as quickly as possible.

**To attend in person, visit the City Council Chambers at City Hall** located on Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues. To view or listen to the meeting remotely, you may access the YouTube Live Stream at: <https://www.youtube.com/@CityofCarmelbytheSea/streams>, or use the following link to view or listen to the meeting via Zoom teleconference: <https://ci-carmel-ca-us.zoom.us/j/88188362744?pwd=9H2D15GuaQ2eCddEodJusxbLVYlhX.1>. **To listen to the meeting via telephone, dial +1 669-444-9171.** Webinar ID: **881 8836 2744.** Passcode: **001916.**

All interested people are invited to attend via teleconference or in person at the time and place specified above to give oral or written testimony concerning this matter. Written comments may be submitted to the Community Planning & Building Department at City Hall located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921, or P.O. Box CC, Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, 93921, or by emailing [sgorman@ci.carmel.ca.us](mailto:sgorman@ci.carmel.ca.us) prior to the meeting. With respect to written comments, please submit them at least 2 hours before the meeting to ensure they are provided to the Historic Resources Board and made part of the record. Comments received after that time and up to the end of the Public Hearing will be saved as part of the record but may not be provided to the Historic Resources Board prior to or during the Public Hearing.

The staff report and relevant documents will be available at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting on the City's website at <http://www.ci.carmel.ca.us> and found by clicking on "Government" and then "Meetings." The Historic Resources Board meeting will be broadcast live on the City's website at <https://carmelbytheseaca.portal.civicclerk.com/> and archived there after the meeting. For more information regarding Historic Resources Board meetings, please contact the Community Planning & Building Department at (831) 620-2010.

**DR 26031 (Pine Inn)**  
Erik Dyar, Architect  
Ocean Avenue between Monte Verde Street and Lincoln Street  
Block 73, Lots 1-10  
APN: 010-213-003-000  
Consideration of a finding of consistency with the established design context of the Downtown Conservation District and consideration of a Determination of Consistency with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Design Review 26031 (Pine Inn) for fire sprinkler equipment at the historic "Pine Inn" located on Ocean Avenue between Monte Verde Street and Lincoln Street. APN: 010-213-003-000

City of Carmel-by-the-Sea  
Anna Ginette, AICP, Director of Community Planning and Building  
Publication dates: June 5, 2026 (PC614)

# STONEHOUSE

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by the city, Meg Clovis, concluded the complex is historically significant based on its architectural style and the man who designed it.

But they disagreed on whether it is special enough to be included on the National Register — Lamprecht concluded it is, while Clovis found it is not.

Ahead of Monday's hearing, each consultant provided a follow-up analysis arguing her points, with Lamprecht supporting the National Register listing and Clovis pointing out "deficiencies" in the review.

In addition, the fellow owners of Stonehouse Terrace, who had not known about Reimers' application until it appeared on the city's historic resources board agenda in April, sent a letter saying they are agnostic on the issue.

"We are neutral on the outcome of the historic status for Stonehouse Terrace," Reimers' cousins, Niels Reimers, John Reimers and Kari Parsons, wrote on behalf of their father, Niels. "We respect and value open and fair public processes."

As they did when the historic resources board considered Reimers' application, several residents said they support the listing.

Associate planner Katherine Wallace offered two options for the council: granting the appeal and providing

comments to the state, or denying the appeal and providing comments to the state. She also suggested the council state an opinion on the Stonehouse's eligibility for the Carmel inventory, though Reimers had not requested that.

Over the course of 45 minutes of discussion, it became clear most councilmembers wanted to do neither.

Councilman Bob Delves observed that the hearing had prompted additional information and said the historic resources board should be given the chance to digest it.

In such hearings, "new information often comes to light," he said, and the "point-counterpoint rebuttals" provided by the consultants are useful.

### Revolving door

Nonetheless, he said he does not "feel qualified to make a judgment on the level of historicity of this building."

"I'd like this to go back to the historic resources board with all the new information and perhaps with more information," he said.

Councilmember Jeff Baron argued for making a decision rather than pushing it back to the board.

"I struggle with what the result is going to be or

whether we're just going to end up right back here," he said. "If we're going to send it back, I wonder why. What's going to change?"

In the end, the council voted 4-1, with Baron dissenting, to remand the matter to the historic resources board for further analysis and action.

The state board, which took the item off its May 7 agenda because not all owners had been notified of the hearing, is set to consider the nomination in August.

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**June 26 – The World Affairs Council of the Monterey Bay Area (WACMB) presents a luncheon lecture at the Hilton Garden Inn featuring Dr. William C. Potter, director of the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies at MIIS, whose topic is "Is the Non-Proliferation Treaty Still Fit for Purpose? Lessons from the 2026 NPT Review Conference." Visit [www.wacmb.org](http://www.wacmb.org) for registration.**

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## Abigail Mead Janko

Nov. 5, 1938 ❖ May 26, 2026

Abigail Mead Janko died peacefully on May 26, 2026, surrounded by her family, at her home in Carmel, California. Just as she lived her life, she accepted her death with wonder and humility, openness and grace.

Abigail was born on Nov. 5, 1938, in Fort Wayne, Indiana. She spent her summers in Leland, Michigan, where five generations of family gathered to hone their sailing skills and golf game – lifelong avocations for Abigail with trophies to celebrate her mastery of both. She was graduated from Goucher College in 1960 and completed postgraduate studies in humanities and philosophy at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. In addition, she was an adept student of the French language and was invited to study with Gaspard Weiss who founded the Monterey Institute of Foreign Studies (today's MIIS). Later, she pursued advanced studies of Teilhard de Chardin at l'Institut Catholique in Paris, France, and was a Charter Member of the "Phenomenon of Man" Project. Abigail was an active member of the Leelanau Historical Society (Leland, MI) and a lifetime member of The Great Books Foundation (Chicago, IL).



An innate educator and courageous champion of the pursuit of knowledge, Abigail wished to inspire wisdom, understanding and truth for all. She was a most generous listener and profound thinker. She appreciated the unique spirit in everyone she met, making each individual feel valued. Abigail relished the opportunity to share ideas, curiosity, and joy, exploring questions about the cosmos and beyond.

Abigail's career began in 1962 when she joined her parents who had retired to Pebble Beach. In the early 1960s, she taught French at Robert Louis Stevenson School, Santa Catalina School, and The Menlo School (Atherton), as well as philosophy at Monterey Peninsula College. A decade later, Abigail expanded her teaching to include World Religions, Metaphysics, and Ethics & Logic at Santa Catalina School.

It was through her French language immersion that Abigail was introduced to Carmel's European community at a gathering spot referred to as "The Happy Manor." There, a charismatic Hungarian freedom fighter refugee, Dr. Béla Janko, was star-struck by the graceful and cultured Hoosier, forever drawn to the intrinsic freedom of Abigail's open mind and inquisitive intellect. Their marriage was a devoted partnership for nearly 62 years, until Béla's death in 2024.

Together, Abigail and Béla raised three children and were closely involved in the lives of their grandchildren. Describing her depth of organizational skills and breadth of creative talents, Abigail considered herself a "domestic engineer." More than this title, it was her tireless devotion that fueled each task. Abigail served her family lovingly and without question.

Abigail extended this care as a humble leader in civic service. She was a member of the Humanities Committee of the Lyceum of the Monterey Peninsula (1965-7), held various leadership positions at Santa Catalina School (Lower School Admissions Director, Lower School Associate Director, Chair of the Academic Council, and member of the Board of Trustees), served as President of the Monterey Peninsula Community School of Music (1977-80), and was a valued member of the Board of Trustees of the Monterey Institute of International Studies (1995-2001). A natural fundraiser, brilliant negotiator, and exceptional consensus builder, she was instrumental in extending the once all-girls education at Santa Catalina's Lower and Middle School to co-education.

Possessing an elegance with an underlying hint of eccentricity, Abigail was a trailblazer. She could turn heads with her two-finger whistles that made many, especially her children, come running. She was a pioneer in environmentalism before "going green" was a concept. Collector extraordinaire, her "treasure sales" on the Monterey Peninsula were legendary.

An 11th-generation descendant of John Alden, Abigail's longest-serving role in volunteerism was with the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America. Abigail enriched the lives of Colonial Dames and students across the country through her passion for education and civic dialogue. She joined the Massachusetts Society in 1961 and transferred to the California Society in 1980. She held a variety of regional and national positions (Vice-Chairman, Treasurer, and Chairman of the Monterey Peninsula Town Committee; California State Vice President; and National Consultant in Oral History & Historical Activities). She recently was recognized for 64+ years of commitment and leadership and was inducted into the NSCDA National Roll of Honor for Distinguished Service. In her article "The Sounds of Youthful Voices," published in the Monterey Herald, Abigail wrote, "Hearken. Listen to young voices, and you will breathe the true spirit of freedom and democracy. Peaceful dialogue between all peoples and all ages is paramount to the preservation of society."

Adventurous and charitable, Abigail and Béla explored the world, taking many friends on their travels and building bridges across cultures and languages. Abigail was a consummate host who enjoyed connecting people and matchmaking. She and Béla often extended invitations to those they met along the way to visit their glorious Mark Mills-designed hilltop home, "Montabela" — extra seats at their expansive heart-of-the-home dining table rarely remained empty!

What Abigail leaves in her seat at our worldly table are not only the responsibilities and impressive accolades, but also the moments which led to every notable accomplishment — her gentle teaching by example, her deep love poured into each effort, and her courage to explore the unknown, all born out of her enduring faith and hope. It is this which remains.

Abigail was preceded in death by her parents, Isabelle and Franklin B. Mead; an older brother, Allen; her husband, Béla Janko; and a grandson, Alden Curtis Janko. She is survived by her three children, Julia (Brad) Wong, Isabelle (John) Murphy, and Alexander Janko (Laura Goodenow); four grandchildren, Georgiana, Matthew, George, and Alexa; a nephew, David Mead and a niece, Sarah Mead and numerous dear cousins.

The family thanks all friends who served Abigail in her last weeks, in particular, Connie Riley, Remy Diamsay Lynch, RN of Hospice of the Central Coast, along with all the Hospice caregivers, and Ileini Penaloza, RN (of Ileini's Care, Inc.) who was by Abigail's side with the family until the end.

**A Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday, June 12, at Carmel Mission,  
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## DISMAL

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more funding will lead to better results.

Since Gov. Gavin Newsom took office in 2019, he's increased spending on education by 57 percent, yet it has failed to make a dent in the state's subpar academic performance.

"We've made unprecedented, historic investments per pupil — investments that are the envy of many other states," Newsom told reporters during his May budget presentation.

Maybe, but they're not turning green over our test results.

California voters consistently rank schools as a top priority, and recent polling suggests they're not satisfied with classroom outcomes. A spring survey from the Public Policy Institute of California found that 51 percent of respondents think the quality of education has gotten worse in the past few years, and 89 percent think the system needs some sort of reform. But just how to fix public schools is the multi-billion-dollar question.

### School Spending

Newsom's latest budget revision calls for \$149.1 billion in state and federal funding for schools, or \$28,282 per pupil. It's a huge increase from the \$17,423 per student the state was spending in 2019 when Newsom took office, and it's one of the highest per-student budgets in the nation.

But it's not enough for those in the education world, largely because the latest proposal also calls for deferring \$3.9 billion in constitutionally mandated Prop. 98 funds from schools, with a plan to repay it later, at a date that's to be determined. Prop. 98 guarantees that roughly 40 percent of the state's general fund goes to K-12 schools and community colleges.

Newsom said the move to withhold funding is necessary to create some padding in case revenue projections don't materialize.

The proposal has been met with chagrin from school boards, districts and unions. The groups argue the move will only deepen the multimillion-dollar deficits districts across the state are facing, which, according to the California Teachers Association, have resulted in 2,400 teachers receiving pink slips since March. True deficits may deepen if Newsom moves forward with his plan, but will student performance improve with more funding?

### Money vs. Results

State-by-state comparisons of test scores to funding show money may not be the all-important factor unions and districts make it out to be. Data from the Education Law Center rank New York No. 1 in school funding, with a \$29,440 per-student budget in 2023, but the most recent National Assessment of Educational Progress, also known as the Nation's Report Card, found just 31 percent of the state's fourth graders were proficient in reading. The scores were two points higher than California's, which at the time ranked No. 13 for funding. Both were outperformed by Idaho, the state with the lowest spending at just \$11,805 per pupil, where 32 percent of kids can read at grade level.

Cost of living is, of course, lower in Idaho, and teacher salaries can be lower, which directly impacts school funding. So let's examine the state that scored the highest in reading on the Nation's Report Card — Massachusetts — which also happens to be one of the more expensive places in the country to live. In 2023, the Bay State was spending \$19,097 per pupil, roughly \$800 less than California spent the same year, but 40 percent of Massachusetts students were proficient in reading in 2024.

To be fair, the Golden State is home to more English language learners than any other state, which undoubtedly impacts reading scores. California's Smarter Balanced testing showed an 18-percent-age-point gap for English language learners in 2025, and a 16-point difference in math.

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## Dr. George Lewis Nye III

Dr. George Lewis Nye III, age 85, a longtime resident of Reno, Nevada, died May 19, 2026, at his home. George was born July 15, 1940, in Montclair, New Jersey, to George Lewis Nye II and Alma Capen Nye. He later lived in New York City, Carmel Valley and Monterey, California, before settling in Reno.

George earned a bachelor of arts degree in economics, after which he worked briefly in finance on Wall Street. He also served as a navigator in the New Jersey Air National Guard, rising to the rank of captain. George then returned to Fairleigh Dickinson University, earning his D.M.D. in dentistry, and moved to Monterey County, California, in 1971 to open his dental practice. He excelled in his profession and had great admiration and appreciation for his staff and patients.



George was a hard-working, dedicated and engaging man, but his true passion was spending time with his wife and family. He will be remembered for his courage to live boldly and without hesitation. Very special memories were made as George shared the beauty of Northern Nevada and his love of sports with family and friends, engaging frequently in golf, snow skiing, cycling, triathlons and bowling.

George was married to Regina Gaillard from 1968 to 1977, and together they had three children. He married Ruth McKinney in 1979, and together they raised three children.

George is survived by his wife, Ruth McKinney Nye; three children, Georgia Nye Hamilton (Peter Hamilton) of Novato, California; Thais Nye Derich (Zack Derich) of Mill Valley, California; and Benjamin Nye (Erin Moore Nye) of San Diego; six grandchildren, Emily Hamilton of Novato, Ada Hamilton of Chicago, Lucas Nye of San Diego, Nathan Derich of Mill Valley, Sydney Nye of San Diego and West Derich of Mill Valley; and two siblings, Margery Kerr of Topsham, Maine, and Tom Nye of Montclair, New Jersey. George was beloved by his wife and family and will truly be missed.

A celebration of George's life is being planned for family and friends.

**Those wishing to express their sympathy may send remembrances to the Tunnel to Towers Foundation at [t2t.org](https://t2t.org).**

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While California's academic achievement may be markedly worse than other places in the nation, the stats show schools across the country are in trouble.

Nationally, the percentage of eighth graders reading below basic — the lowest achievers — was 33 percent in 2024, the highest in the assessment's history. The results suggest there is something at play — other than funding and it's happening at scale.

Part of the problem could be the test itself. Teachers have long bemoaned the ineffectiveness of "teaching to the test," and kids do perform better on California standardized tests than they do on the federal exam, indicating educators may be tailoring lessons to one exam over another. Standardized testing today also looks a lot different than it did when we were kids. At both the state and federal levels, testing is done on a computer rather than the old Scantrons children used to fill out with their No. 2 pencils; as it turns out, kids don't perform as well on a screen.

**Back to paper**

In 2021, the Program in International Reading Literacy Study, the only long-term international exam focused on reading skills in youngsters, made the switch from paper to computer-based testing, and average scores dropped 27 points across the board. Pandemic-era learning disruptions certainly played a role, but study administrators acknowledged the switch to screens was a big factor in the decline.

Numerous studies show humans, young and old, better comprehend and retain more information when they read on paper versus a computer. The findings also add credence to another popular theory about what's going wrong at school — too much of learning is being done on screens.

## Does more spending lead to better test scores?

Despite the return to in-person education post-pandemic, students in California — and across the nation — spend hours of class time on school-issued Chromebooks. Rather than direct instruction, kids are tasked with learning from online applications, the sales of which have been very beneficial to tech companies, but not so much to children and families.

Another common hypothesis is the decades of resistance to bringing back phonics-based instruction. The centuries-old system of decoding words through sounds fell out of fashion in the 1980s, but states that have brought it back are seeing huge gains in literacy.

When Mississippi got on the phonics train in 2013, it rose from 49th in reading on the Nation's Report Card to ninth in 2024. Louisiana saw a similar meteoric rise, going from 50th in 2019 to 16th in 2024, again thanks to phonics.

**Other states**

California has finally decided to take note of the improvements in other states. In October, more than a decade after Mississippi started making gains, Newsom signed a bill into law that will require schools to include phonological awareness, phonics and fluency when teaching kids how to read. However, the law won't take effect until 2028 — better late than never.

Whatever the solution to the California school equation, it's one the state's next governor should be working to solve. Like the rest of the nation, enrollment in California schools is declining, with the state birth rate hitting a record low in 2025, meaning each dollar increase should go farther. Those dollars should also be spent on things that work — because it would be nice to see the Golden State leading on education rather than waiting 10 years to follow in the footsteps of places like Mississippi.

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**BARRIE HART FROESE**

JAN. 6, 1949 – FEB. 16, 2026

Barrie Hart Froese, 77, passed away on Feb. 16, 2026. Born Jan. 6, 1949, Barrie Charlotte Hart was the daughter of Archibald Hart and Charlotte Hodge Hart. She was a graduate of Notre Dame High School in San Jose, CA, and the University of California Santa Cruz, where she earned a degree in history.

Barrie began her professional life in education, teaching at Carmel Middle School. Guided by steady purpose and a commitment to learning, she pursued her administrative credential at the University of California Berkeley and returned to Carmel Middle as an assistant principal. In 1979, she relocated to San Francisco and made a notable career change into commercial real estate, joining Cushman & Wakefield in San Mateo.

In 1983, Barrie met her husband, and they were married at Carmel Mission in 1984. Soon after, they relocated to Chicago, where she transferred to the Cushman & Wakefield office. In 1986, she joined real estate developer Otis & Associates and was responsible for developing and leasing two 20-story office buildings in Schaumburg, Illinois — work that reflected her professionalism, diligence and clear-eyed leadership.

In 1994, Barrie returned to education as assistant principal at Algonquin (IL) Middle School, where she remained until relocating to Montgomery, Alabama in 1997. Across each chapter of her working life, she brought a consistent sense of responsibility and care, whether guiding students and staff or navigating the demands of commercial development.

Throughout her life, Barrie enjoyed traveling, sailing, snow skiing and tennis. She was also a member of the Junior League, both as a member and as a sustainer, reflecting her enduring connection to community and service.

Barrie was preceded in death by her parents, Archibald Hart and Charlotte Hodge Hart; her brother, James Matson Hart; and her sister, Donna Hart Reid. She is survived by her husband of 41 years, Robert Froese of Montgomery, AL; her daughter, Pamela Christine Froese of Montgomery, AL; and her son, Eric Hart Froese of Denver, Colorado.

A celebration of life for Barrie will take place from 1 to 4 p.m. June 19 at the Monterey Peninsula Country Club, 3000 Club Drive, Pebble Beach, CA 93593.

In lieu of flowers, donations in honor of Barrie may be made to Meals on Wheels Montgomery Metro Area: <https://mowmama.org/donate-now>.

**NANCY LEE HOLTROP**

Feb. 12, 1937 ❖ March 17, 2026

The second of three daughters, Nancy Lee Holtrop was born in Muskegon Heights, Michigan, to Lucille and Robert Lee, owners of Lee Hardware. Nancy spoke fondly of her hometown and described it as a wonderful place to grow up. After high school, she attended the University of Michigan School of Nursing, where she earned a degree and, even better, met Hugh Robert Holtrop — Bob — the medical student she would marry in 1959. They remained utterly devoted to each other for 50 years, until Bob's death in 2010, and raised their sons Mark, Paul and John to be good and decent men.

Early on, Bob's medical career took them around the country — from Michigan to Nebraska, then West Virginia, Massachusetts, and finally, in 1981, to California — but as the backdrops changed, what mattered most remained

constant: time with their boys, close and enduring friendships, gardening, civic engagement, travel and culture, all graced by a succession of beloved dogs (and one exceptional cat).

While Bob was delivering babies and managing women's health as an OB-GYN, Nancy managed their home — but she was never content with that alone. Her early and keen interest in contemporary Scandinavian design, then nearly unknown in the United States, led to retail and management positions at shops in Boston and Sacramento that specialized in the aesthetic. Her exquisite taste and genius for interior design were an inspiration.

Upon retiring from retail, Nancy devoted herself to volunteer work. She donated her time and expertise in health and nutrition to the Women's Center of Stockton — which provided critical services to women facing domestic abuse — and served on its board. After she and Bob moved permanently to Carmel Valley, Nancy dedicated countless hours to the Yellow Brick Road Benefit Shop, where she sorted and priced donated jewelry and transformed loose, broken, and hopelessly tangled bits into new beaded masterpieces — which sold like hotcakes — from 1999 until her final illness.

Nancy loved living in California, and loved the Monterey Peninsula and Carmel Valley. Long walks with the dog on Carmel Beach were routine until back problems limited her to terra firma. Her penchant for thrift shopping and garage and estate sales was legendary, and benefited any number of family and friends on whom she bestowed her carefully curated finds. In her last couple of decades, she became an avid dominoes enthusiast and hosted regular domino klatches with a coterie of cherished friends. There may have been wine; there was definitely much chatting and laughing above the clicking of the tiles.

Nancy was preceded in death by her husband, Bob (2010); her son Jonathan (1960); and her son Mark (2026). She is survived and profoundly missed by her sister Harriett and brother-in-law Terry; her sister Mary; her son Paul and daughter-in-law Lori Yancura; her son John and daughter-in-law Denise; and her grandson Maxwell.

A celebration of Nancy's life will be held at St. Philip's Lutheran Church, 8065 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley, at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 20, 2026. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. Philip's Lutheran Church or to Yellow Brick Road.



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# Familiar faces, other places — local alums shine on collegiate teams

WE'RE CATCHING up this week with just a few standout athletes who prepped at Carmel, Stevenson and Santa Catalina high schools and competed this year at the intercollegiate level.

This is an incomplete list. Readers are encouraged to reach out about others who should be included in future alumni roundups.

## Track and field

In her junior year at Yale University, **Juliette Kosmont** (Santa Catalina 2023) eclipsed her own school records in the indoor 60-meter dash (7.30 seconds on March 1) and the outdoor 100 meters (11.28 at the Ivy League Championships on May 17). She also recorded her personal best time in the outdoor 200 meters — 23.95 on April 18 — second-best in school history. The school record, 23.73, was set in 2006.

Younger sister **Anna Kosmont** (Stevenson '25) ran the 100 in 12.58 seconds

at New York University this season — the second-fastest time in school history for a freshman and sixth-best all-time. Her time in the 200, 26.49, is seventh for a freshman and ninth-best in school history.

Stevenson graduate **Chiara Sisterman** ('22) ranks third all-time in the Virginia Tech record book after pole vaulting 14 feet, 8 inches this year as a junior. Sisterman tied for first place May 27 at the NCAA Division I Eastern Regional Championships, where she cleared 14 feet.

**Kekoa Williams**, who prepped at Stevenson ('25), won the 2026 Northwest Athletic Conference high jump championship this year as a freshman at Lane Com-

## Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

munity College in Eugene, Ore., clearing 6 feet, 11 1/2 inches — his personal best.

Williams' leap ranks second all-time at Lane, behind a 7-5 effort by Dakarai High-

tower in 2016. His best jump at Stevenson was 6-8 in 2025, his senior year.

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## Men's golf

Stevenson '24 product **Adam Rohizam** had an average score of 71.4 over 34 rounds — best on the team at Missouri University of Science & Technology, where he's in his sophomore season. His season low score was a 64, and he finished in the top 10 at 11 of his 34 events this year.

**Luke Brandler** (Stevenson '25) shot a 74 at the 2026 Ivy League Championships to help Princeton to a second-place team finish on April 26.

## Women's golf

**Nikki Iniakov**, a four-time PCAL Player of the Year at Stevenson (Class of '25), recorded eight birdies to help Harvard University to a second-place finish at the Ivy League Championships in April. Iniakov is a freshman with the Crimson.

## Football

Stevenson Class of '22 alumnus **Evan Johnson** is top-rated among 24 defensive backs on the preseason roster at Brigham Young University entering his junior year with the Cougars.

Johnson, 6-foot-0 and 185 pounds, and Tre Alexander are returning starters at cornerback, where Jayven Williams, a transfer from Mississippi State, is expected to back up both players.

Johnson started all 14 games for BYU last season, compiling 38 solo tackles, nine assists, one quarterback sack, eight pass breakups and a team-best five interceptions.

He earned an honorable mention on the All-Big 12 team.

His final interception of the season was a game-saving pickoff in the end zone against Georgia Tech on the final play of the Pop-Tarts Bowl on Dec. 27.



PHOTO/YALE

Juliette Kosmont, Santa Catalina's all-time fastest sprinter, holds school records in the outdoor 100-meter dash and the indoor 60 at Yale University, where she just completed her junior season. Her sister, Anna, a Stevenson alumna, was a freshman sprinter this spring at New York University.

**Jackson Lloyd**, who helped the Carmel Padres win a state football championship in 2024, is the preseason favorite to start at left tackle as a sophomore at the University of Alabama.

Lloyd, 6-foot-6, 317 pounds, is No. 1 on the Crimson Tide's depth chart at that position, where he's expected to compete with two transfers, Jayvin James of Mississippi State and Ty Haywood, who played last year at Michigan.

Lloyd appeared in five games last fall

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Jackson Lloyd, who helped Carmel High win a state football championship in 2024, is expected to be the starting left tackle as a sophomore at the University of Alabama this fall.



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as a true freshman at Alabama, playing in a reserve role against Loyola Marymount, Wisconsin, Georgia, Auburn and Oklahoma.

The Tide lost to Indiana in last year's NCAA championship game at the Rose Bowl.

**Men's volleyball**

Carmel '24 product **Sebastian Daste** appeared in 18 matches this spring as a freshman at Princeton University.

Daste, a 6-4 setter, was credited with 71 assists and three kills in 37 sets in a reserve role for the Tigers. Starter Nolan Kelly will be a senior next season.

**Women's volleyball**

Dartmouth freshman **Riley Imamura** (Carmel '25) played in 11 matches and 21 sets for the Big Green, where she's listed as a 5-11 outside hitter and middle blocker. Her season-high stats included three blocks against Columbia on Oct. 3 and five digs at the University of Pennsylvania on Nov. 14.



**Men's water polo**

A pair of Stevenson brothers played key roles again this season for the UC Irvine Anteaters.

**Wyley Dale** ('23), a 6-8 junior center, was the team's third-leading scorer with 39 goals and amassed a team-best 57 in the DEX category, which measures a player's defensive efficiency.

**Jasper Dale** ('22), a 6-6 utility player in his senior year, scored 14 goals, dealt 19 assists and stole the ball 10 times in 26 games. He ranked fourth on the team in the EX category — which measures offensive efficiency — with a score of 26.

Carmel '25 product **Boston Fisher** played in all 26 games this season at Chapman University, scoring 15 goals and garnering six steals as a freshman center.

**Women's water polo**

**Sofia Bozzo** (Stevenson '23), a redshirt sophomore, scored 20 goals with 13 steals in 28 games this season for UC Davis, where she plays a utility position.

**Emmerson Ferreira** (Stevenson '25) scored six goals, dished three assists and got seven steals this spring as a freshman attacker for UC Santa Barbara, where she saw playing time in all 20 games.

Former Stevenson teammate **Miranda Salinger** ('25) appeared in 13 games at center for the Gauchos, scoring twice.

**Sienna Cimoli** (Stevenson '25) saw action in 24 games in a reserve role as a 2-meter defender for San Jose State. She scored one goal and was credited with two assists for the Spartans.

**Baseball**

Ex-Carmel High catcher **Ethan Jackson** ('23) was the third-leading hitter at

Monterey Peninsula College in his sophomore year, batting .320 and leading the Lobos with a .449 on-base percentage and .625 slugging percentage. His 10 home runs and 32 RBIs ranked second on the

team. His former Padres teammate, J.J. Sanchez ('24), batted .282 with a .418 on-base

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Stevenson graduate Sofia Bozzo scored 20 goals and stole the ball 13 times as a utility player at UC Davis, where she was a red-shirt-sophomore this past season.

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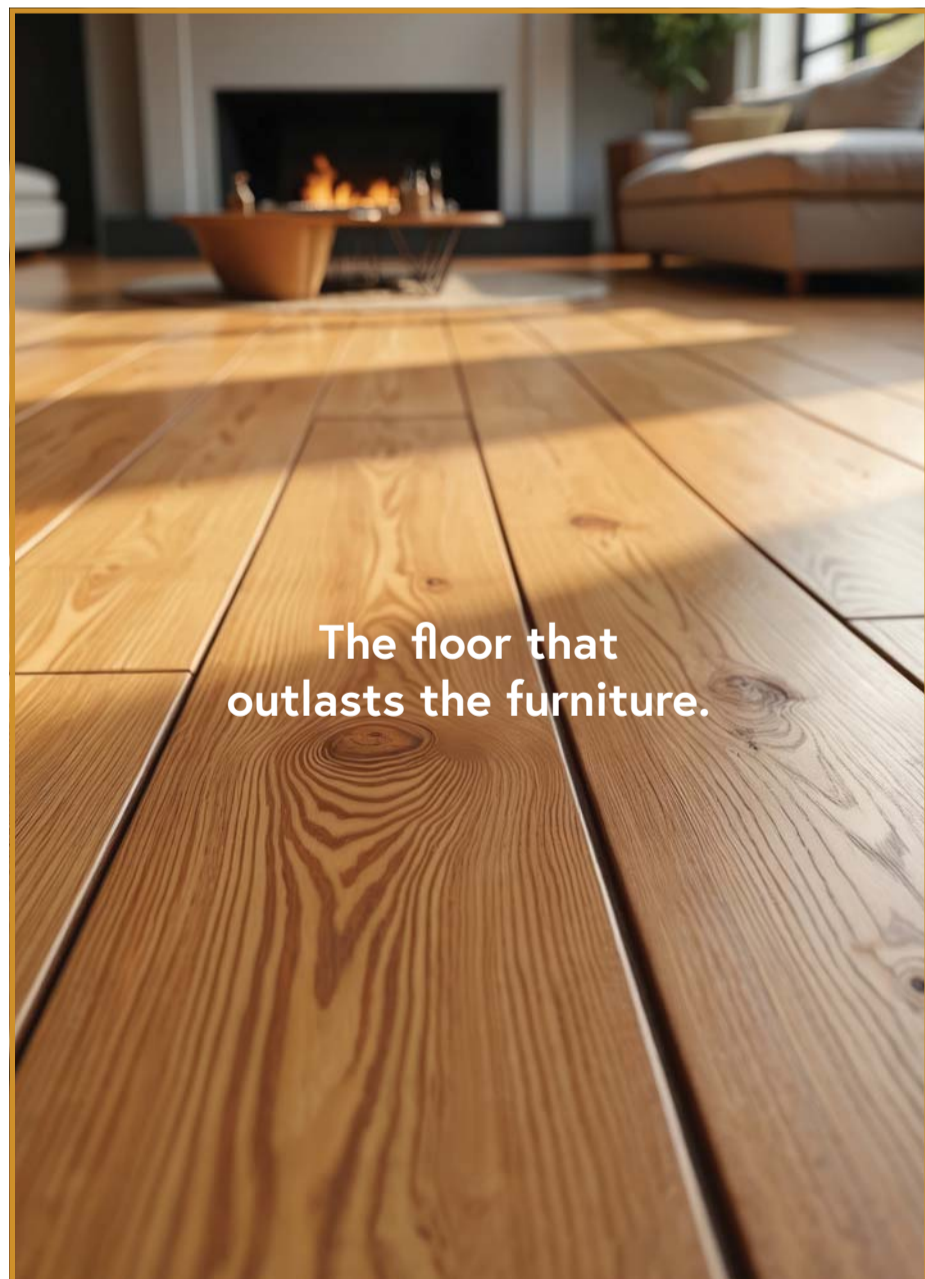
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## For a dose of humanity, visit Central Avenue Pharmacy

DANA GORDON, the longtime owner of Central Avenue Pharmacy in Pacific Grove, makes a beautiful loaf of sourdough. He might have been a wine-maker, too — a successful one, it's hard to say — if a wise man hadn't intervened.

The man, a pharmacist, was a regular patron of the bottle shop in Seal Beach where Gordon had worked since high school, staying on after enrolling at his hometown university, Cal State Long Beach. This was 1981, Napa Valley was booming, and Gordon was studying to become an enologist, the kind of scientist essential to large-scale winemaking operations.

Back at the shop, however, he began spending his breaks with the pharmacist next door.

"He owned a Rexall drugstore, and we became good friends. I'd go sit at the counter, watch him work, and we would talk," recalled Gordon, 65.

"He was sort of the wise man in town. I was already studying chemistry and beginning to realize it might be a tough go in wine. Was I really going to be the next Robert Mondavi?" Gordon mused.

It's possible Napa lost a master, but the Monterey Peninsula gained one when Gordon opened Central Avenue Pharmacy in 1991. Today, CAPRx is the last independent drugstore in town and the only full-service compounding pharmacy on the Peninsula.

### The entrepreneur gene

Gordon is a cheerful outlier — "It's lonely at the top," he jokes — who left his career doubts in Long Beach when he transferred to University of the Pacific in Stockton.

## Great Lives

By LILY PATTERSON

"All of my classmates wanted to get into hospitals and big drug companies. I was the only one who wanted to have my own business," Gordon said. Neither of his parents attended college, but he credits his entrepreneurial streak to his father, who owned an auto parts store.

After earning his Doctor of Pharmacy in 1986, Gordon moved to Santa Cruz, where he gained experience working for Longs Drugs, Dominican Hospital, and as a relief pharmacist for various independents. On his days off, Gordon and his former partner, Sarah, traversed the state, "searching for an elderly person who wanted to sell their pharmacy."

Not only had yesterday's chemists aged, but so had their business model. When Gordon finally found the Pill Box for sale, it was one of a few independent drugstores

in Pacific Grove. Opening CAPRx as a team of one, he was the youngest pharmacist in town by several decades. But as others across the Peninsula began to sell their businesses to corporate buyers, those who still wanted to work independently would come to Gordon, and their clients followed.

### 'A tremendous need'

He's had plenty of practice fending off the advance of large chain drugstores and reckoning with the force that helped drive Rite Aid out of business: pharmacy benefit managers, the middlemen who effectively control the availability and affordability of



PHOTO/COURTESY DANA GORDON

Local pharmacist Dana Gordon and Dr. Mike Murray, head veterinarian at Monterey Bay Aquarium, perform a sea otter check-up.

prescription drugs. (CVS Health, which acquires hundreds of former Rite Aid locations, is one of the largest pharmacy benefits managers in the U.S.)

The challenges of the industry are all the more reason to stay in it, Gordon said.

"I always say pharmacists are the most readily available and affordable medical professionals," he said. "There is a tremendous need for service-oriented businesses in health care."

He still remembers the first medication he compounded, around 1995. Dr. Stephanie Taylor, the OB-GYN who delivered Gordon's two children — Hannah and Hayden, now grown — asked if he would consider formulating bioidentical hormones in amounts specifically created for her patients.

"The only ones that were available were synthetic or equine. I became the first pharmacist from here to Santa Cruz to do this type of compounding," Gordon said.

### How compounding works

Today, as a member of the Alliance for Pharmacy Compounding, Gordon spends considerable time lobbying on behalf of pharmacies like his. "We have a lot of adversaries," he said, from commercial drug manufacturers to the FDA, which is largely funded by fees paid from the industry it regulates.

Compounding, Gordon explained, is a way to serve patients whose needs aren't

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## SOME MODELS ARE CARNIVOROUS — BUT NOT TERRIBLY DANGEROUS

AS AN artist, Elaine Goldstone is a bit of a hybrid, which, in the plant world, results from cross-pollination to combine desirable traits of two different specimens.

Plants and art are symbiotic for the Marina-based painter who, depending on her environment, might lean intimately close to an image in her studio, gazing through a magnifying glass as she dabs

Goldstone was a graphic design student at San Jose State University around 1982, the year she fell in love with the beauty and intricacies of plant life while visiting an art exhibit at the Filoli Center in the Santa Cruz Mountains.

Thirty-five years later, in 2017, she enrolled in Filoli's botanical art certificate program in Woodside, where she studied for four years with internationally known botanical artist Catherine Watters.

In 2020, three Goldstone renderings of carnivorous tropical pitcher plants native to Malaysia and Indonesia

were accepted into the 23rd annual American Society of Botanical Artists International Exhibition.

"I'm a plant nut," confessed Goldstone, whose Marina living room is home to three species of carnivorous plants — *Nepenthes*, *Sarracenia* and *Darlingtonia californica* — all growing beneath artificial lighting and feeding on any unfortunate insect that enters their space.

Accurately reproducing every detail of a plant, often using botanical science reference books, is a very different discipline than interpreting a local landscape in the great outdoors.

### The right direction

For Goldstone, the plein air journey began in 2018.

"I can't even tell you how many times I've quit after ruining sheet after sheet because I didn't know what I was doing. It's just now starting to click after almost eight years," said Goldstone, who recently won her first plein air award — an honorable mention at a Natividad Medical Foundation art show in Salinas — for her

painting of a bridge over the Carmel River in Garland Park.

"For me, that was like, 'Finally ... validation that I'm going in the right direction!'" she said.

Goldstone's preference for watercolors has created a learning curve of its own, but her progress has been nudged forward by workshops with teaching artists — particularly Australian watercolorist Herman Pekel and Geoff Allen of Borrego Springs.

The plein air experience can challenge an artist with capricious weather, pesky bugs, blowing sand, interruptions from chatty passers-by, and rapidly changing light — a natural time limit, pressuring the painter to finish quickly.

Quick-drying watercolors are another test. Unlike oil paints, the pigment cannot be removed and

## Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

ultra-thin watercolor strokes onto paper, striving to create scientifically accurate details and artistic beauty.

Or, she might stand back from her easel near a ledge in Point Lobos, wielding a much thicker brush to apply expressionistic suggestions that, in just a couple of hours, might morph into a majestic seascape.

### Pacific Grove show

Her painting of boats in Moss Landing's morning fog is part of "Central Coast Reflections," a Monterey Bay Plein Air Painters Association exhibition that runs through June 25 at Pacific Grove Art Center.

That part of the show, in the Gill Gallery, also includes the art of Al Shamble, Deborah Rich, Helen Jones, Linda Elling and Tamara Keiper. Other portions are hanging in the center's Dyke, Annand, and Boyer Hall galleries.

As artists go, Goldstone is a rare flower who has mostly achieved peace in the war between the two hemispheres of her brain. One side hungers to run wild and free. The other respects rules and rigidity.

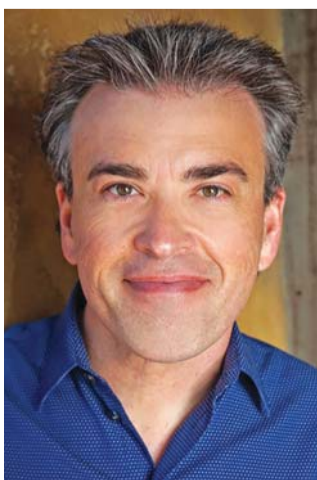


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Marina artist Elaine Goldstone paints detailed botanicals, plein air seascapes and landscapes. She enjoys working in watercolors.

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repainted.

“When you’re working outdoors with watercolors, you’ve got one chance to get in, get out and get it done before you overwork it,” Goldstone explained.

“Watercolor runs,” she said. “It’s a beast, and if you don’t learn to control it, you’re not going to be successful. And you have to understand the medium before you can learn to control it.”

Remarkably, Goldstone managed to merge plein air painting with botanical science after moving to the Monterey Peninsula from the San Francisco Bay Area in 2021.

“Sam Winter, a natural resource volunteer coordinator for California State Parks, knew I was a painter with the Monterey Bay Plein Air Painters Association and asked me if our group might be interested in collaborating with them,” she said.

### Avery Gallery

Since October 2024, plein air association artists have been painting once a month at Fort Ord Dunes State Park — art that will be part of a two-month-long exhibit that opens Sept. 7 and runs through Nov. 5 at Seaside City

Hall’s Avery Gallery. A reception is scheduled Sept. 18, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

“I love the dunes, love painting them, love learning about the flora and fauna that live on them,” said Goldstone, who helps plant native species while parks employees build a campground there.

“A lot of small creatures live in those dunes and require the native plants to survive,” she said.

She also collects seeds from parks on the Peninsula and takes them to a state parks greenhouse at Asilomar, where they sprout into seedlings.

Goldstone grew up with three brothers in the Sacramento suburb of Carmichael, enrolled at American River College after high school and randomly signed up for a graphic design class.

“What was graphic design? I didn’t have a clue,” she reflected. “But the instructor saw something in my work, encouraged me and guided me. I had never received that kind of support from a teacher.”

Her instructor also helped his students explore California art schools on field trips to the San Francisco Art Institute, Oakland School of Arts, Pasadena Art Center and UCLA.

“We were a bunch of college knuckleheads rolling down the coast of California in a bus, visiting schools’ art galleries,” she said. “It was a great time.”

Goldstone was partial to the Pasadena Art Center but

opted instead to follow a gaggle of friends to San Jose State University.

“Silicon Valley was really exploding. There was a lot of money with Apple and all the other big firms, and the glitz and glamour intrigued me,” she said. “But it didn’t quite unfold that way.”

### Bills to pay

After earning her degree in 1984, Goldstone found part-time graphic design work at KTEH-TV and waitressed at night at the Spaghetti Factory in San Jose. Her first full-time job was in a two-person graphic design department at KNTV, an ABC-affiliate television station in the South San Francisco Bay area.

“By then, things were turning digital, but getting on the equipment to learn that technology wasn’t really happening,” she said. “The manager took all the good jobs, and I got the leftovers.”

Her next stop was with a tiny marketing communications group in the company owner’s home, a good-paying gig in a setting that eventually became dysfunctional.

Her career in graphic design lasted 30 years, then, quite abruptly, passed her by.

“I got laid off by a marketing communications company and discovered that I was washed out of the high-tech industry. I couldn’t find another job and was retired at 52,” said Goldstone, who, in 2021, sold her home in Campbell, bought a new one in Marina’s East Garrison and moved during the pandemic.

With bills to pay, she explored massage therapy, taught Pilates and fell in love with plein air painting and botanical art during her leisure time. She also got excited about golf, a game she plays three times a week with a group of friends at Bayonet Blackhorse, Monterey Pines or Laguna Seca Golf Ranch.

### ‘Painting for pleasure’

“I participate in three shows a year with the plein air association, and I’ll get sales from commissions, but I’m really painting for my own pleasure at this point,” said Goldstone, whose portfolio also includes Americana-type renderings of rusting farm equipment, old cars and weathered rural buildings, and portraits of her dog, Willow, a friendly Corgi who accompanies her when she paints outdoors.

See Goldstone’s work at Pacific Grove Art Center (568 Lighthouse Ave.), at a year-long Monterey Bay Plein Air Painters Association show at Natividad Medical Foundation (1441 Constitution Blvd., Salinas), and Sept. 6 through October in the Avery Gallery at Seaside City Hall (440 Harcourt Ave.).

View images of her paintings on Instagram @goldies-gardenstudio, and at facebook.com/elaine.goldstone.

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Administrative analyst Emily Garay, who became the city's de facto expert on addresses and worked with the committee of citizens headed by Delves that included Carmel Residents Association board member Nancy Twomey, former councilwoman Paula Hazdovac and resident Kevin Ruess, said the city's work is finally done.

She likened the process to a three-legged stool: developing an implementation plan, a community engagement plan and the addressing system itself.

"We couldn't celebrate until we completed those three legs, and staff believes we have reached that place now," she said.

## Legal change

The resolution presented to the council Tuesday puts into effect the ordinance it approved in January to remove language from the Carmel Municipal Code referencing directional addresses.

While the code had stated, "Buildings and parcels shall be identified by a description of parcel location relative to the nearest cross-street intersection as determined by the community planning and building department," the ordinance amended it to read, "New and existing buildings shall be provided with approved address identification" and goes on to describe how and where the numbers should be posted.

But it couldn't take effect until the city completed all the necessary steps, Garay said.

The shift now lies in the hands of Monterey County officials who received the last of the data necessary to implement the new system last month. Once the county's assessor's office, emergency communications, elections and other critical departments finish incorporating the information — a process that could take up to two months — the U.S. Postal Service will input it in its Address Management System, Garay said.

"Major utility providers and GPS systems will integrate the data after the county and postal service integration," she said. Apple maps advised the city it would take a week to get the new addresses online, while Google estimated one to two weeks.

"Staff recommends the council take the final administrative step in adopting the resolution," Garay said.

Councilman Jeff Baron, who along with former councilwoman Karen Ferlito has been a consistent proponent

of shifting to standardized addresses, asked whether residents will be advised on how to change their records.

"How do I as a property owner notify all the people who don't really know where I live?" he asked.

Garay said various county departments will issue notices, as will the city.

"There is no way to over-communicate this change," she acknowledged.

## Applause all around

Kevin Ruess, who played a key role in developing the address map and walked every part of the city in the process, paused at the podium for a round of applause before praising the council for having the gumption to bring about such a seismic shift.

"That was historic and took courage," he said.

Ruess thanked Ferlito and Baron "for being early advo-


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cates and presumably expending some political capital on that," praised Garay and other city staff who worked on the project, and thanked Delves for his oversight of the group.

"I think the citizens of the town will enjoy a much smoother time when they go to get insurance, when they go to hook up utilities," and other activities that are considered routine almost everywhere else, Ferlito told the council. She lamented the "hours and hours and hours that were wasted" on those tasks.

Ferlito said she has her number ready to go and will be posting it on her home and at the end of her driveway on Junipero as soon as she receives the official notices.



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"We need to make sure you show up on the front page of The Pine Cone with your address," Mayor Dale Byrne replied, referring to the newspaper's solicitation of photos of residents installing their sparkling new numbers.

"We'll keep our charm," resident and community activities commissioner Maria Ruess promised the council. "We only have three numbers, and we'll make them all pretty."

Byrne thanked Delves for his hard work, which prompted more clapping from the audience, and councilmembers Alissandra Dramov, Hans Buder and Baron echoed those sentiments.

"When you have buy-in from the community, that's what makes it work," Dramov said. "It really was a ground-up process, it was a grassroots effort, we really gave it the time, and that's why it worked."

She said it "could be a model for other things in the community that we want to change."

Baron made the motion to approve the resolution, Delves seconded it, and it passed unanimously to more applause.



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# LETTERS

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Monastery after 8 a.m. Mass, arriving at Highway 1 and Rio Road about 9 a.m. There were two police cars blocking northbound traffic. I needed to turn left on Rio Road, while many others were going north. We all were blocked from going forward.

I suggest that much more planning needs to go into this evacuation.

Recall the Palisades and Eaton fires last year, which destroyed 6,837 homes. Fire has no boundaries. It moves at nature's will, as it did in Los Angeles last year, and a fire in Carmel will do the same.

Those of us coming from the south during the exercise on May 30 were blocked from escape by police orders. In the event a major fire was spreading into the Santa Lucias, we would have been trapped by those orders. All areas of exit need to be protected. I strongly suggest this evacuation plan needs to be coordinated with the county.

This is not a criticism of the first test. It is a reminder that this plan needs to involve the county.

I think more planning needs to be done to coordinate escape routes for everyone, from all directions.

**Joan Brophy, Carmel**

## Point Lobos access

Dear Editor,

I am a frequent visitor to Point Lobos State Reserve and have closely followed the reservation/parking restriction initiative since 2018, when parking on the east side of Highway 1 was eliminated in response to lobbying by essentially the same stakeholders who are now ParkIT

— an initiative from three local foundations and State Parks that advocates a shuttle and reservation system that would severely limit Point Lobos access for local families, hikers and California residents.

The negative impact of the shuttle/reservation system is that spontaneous local access to the ocean experience would be eliminated in favor of riding a shuttle, taking a photo and moving on.

But unlike Bixby Bridge, Point Lobos attracts nature enthusiasts who aren't just there for the photo op. A reservation system would lock out these visitors and favor advance reservations by large commercial tours.

In your letters to the editor last week, Gwynn De Amaral opined that pedestrians walking in are endangered, although the Highway 1 walk-in shoulder is wide, and I know of no pedestrian injuries in the last 20 years. Walk-in access does open the reserve to hikers and visitors who cannot enter when parking is full.

In 2024, ParkIT Director Steffanie Gamecho, also executive director of the Point Lobos Foundation, said there will be 900 reservations available for parking spots inside Point Lobos every day and 567 at Marathon Flats. Reservations at the latter would also include a shuttle; a fee is yet to be determined. These numbers don't reflect a parking crisis. Why aren't those 900 spaces available now?

Finally, De Amaral cites first responder access and "trauma" as a Point Lobos problem. I have never witnessed on-road parking and would invite fire, ambulance and other first responders to reveal issues they have experienced. This is not like Bixby Bridge, which is a visitor problem; this is about limiting access to Californians, particularly local families, restricting who has ocean access — and money, of course.

**Ruthann Donahue,**  
*Pacific Grove*

## Protect landlines

Dear Editor,

Copper landlines are essential infrastructure. They work in power outages and most disasters because the lines carry their own power, so you can reach 911 and your doctor, receive evacuation notices, stay connected to elderly and ill loved ones, and have others connect to you.

This service provides pinpoint location data to emergency responders when seconds count — a house invasion, a fire, someone choking, a heart attack or stroke. The voice quality is superior, it's secure, and it doesn't drop calls. The lines also provide DSL internet. Plus, Carrier of Last Resort status requires AT&T to provide service to everyone who asks without discrimination. With VoIP and wireless, when the battery dies, there is no connection, and they're notoriously unreliable.

AT&T wants out of landlines and has filed petitions with the FCC to eliminate landlines in areas of California, including the Monterey Peninsula and Salinas. Those petitions will be automatically granted if there is no opposition. Comments are due June 22, but some haven't received their AT&T notification letters yet, and the letters have scant information on how to file protests.

In addition, a proposed law would amend the state constitution to remove CPUC oversight for telecom companies like AT&T, limit oversight for all public utilities, and remove telecom companies' designation as a public utility. There's other AT&T action at the CPUC. Details and what to do are on my website, [www.montereybaymatters.org](http://www.montereybaymatters.org).

This is an urgent public safety matter, life and death for many people, particularly the vulnerable and those in rural and fire-prone areas. Please protect this vital infrastructure and advocate for reforms to make it affordable for all.

**Nina Beety, Monterey**

## Elimination of French

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the Alliance Française de Monterey, I am writing to express our concern and strong opposition to the potential elimination of French language courses from the

middle school curriculum. As an organization dedicated to promoting the French language and fostering cross-cultural exchange, we view the reduction of world language offerings as a significant step backward for the students of our community.

This issue is also deeply personal to me. As an alumnus of Carmel Middle School, I know firsthand the lasting impact of the district's language programs. Learning French at a young age gave me an invaluable linguistic foundation, including an authentic accent and a lifelong passion for global cultures. This early spark led me to continue my studies through college and adult education, ultimately opening doors to a fulfilling international career. Because of the education that began in your school district, I was able to work with Doctors Without Borders in Chad, where French was essential to my daily communication and humanitarian medical efforts.

French is far more than an academic subject. It is a critical global language spoken by more than 300 million people across multiple continents. It serves as an official language of the United Nations, the World Health Organization and countless international humanitarian and development agencies. Stripping middle school students of the opportunity to learn French early deprives them of a vital competitive advantage and narrows their worldview at an age when they are most receptive to language acquisition.

The Alliance Française de Monterey urges the Carmel Unified School District to maintain its commitment to a robust global education and preserve the French program for future generations of students. We would welcome the opportunity to support the district in finding ways to keep this vital program alive.

**Sheree Goldman, Monterey**

# SPORTS

From page 25A

percentage and drove in 11 runs in 78 at-bats as a freshman.

Sanchez also went 2-2 with a 5.55 ERA on the mound, appearing in 10 games — nine as a starter — and pitching 35 2/3 innings.

**Alex Glasscock**, a former Stevenson standout ('23), was an infielder in his sophomore year at Middlebury College, where he batted .224 in 29 games (19 as a starter). Glasscock had five extra-base hits, including three homers, and drove in 11 runs.

**Amani Wilson**, another ex-Pirate ('24), batted .297 in 37 at-bats as a sophomore at the University of Redlands.

## Men's lacrosse

Stevenson product **Justin Diniz** ('24) played in just four games in his sophomore season — all starts — for Baldwin Wallace University, scoring two goals and an assist with six shots on goal before sustaining a season-ending injury. He also earned All-Ohio Athletic Conference Academic honors this year. Diniz scored five goals with five assists and picked up five groundballs, appearing in 15 games in 2025, his freshman year.

Carmel alumnus **Tallinn Loberg** ('25) played in 14 games as a freshman defender at Goucher College in Maryland — 11 as a starter — collecting 17 ground balls and causing two turnovers.

## Women's lacrosse

**Rhea Cosand** (Stevenson '22) had a big senior year as a midfielder at UC Davis, scoring 19 goals with a team-leading 23 assists in 16 games, all starts.

Former Stevenson teammates **Gabby** and **Macey Torres** also were on the Davis roster but played sparingly.

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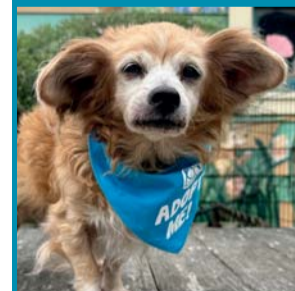
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# LIVES

From page 27A

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Compounds can be a lifeline during drug shortages, and played a historic role during the pandemic, when emergency authorizations were issued to meet demand for vaccines, as well as everyday medications.

There are a few caveats. Compounds must be ordered by a prescriber, and they aren't usually covered by insurance. Nor are they approved by the FDA, and it's illegal to sell a compounded version of a drug that's already on the market.

"Shortages come and go, but our constants are hormone compounding, especially for hair loss, and tailoring dosages to patient needs. We're always adjusting medications for kids and for our veterinary clients," Gordon said.

He and his team of seven pharmacists are the only game in town — to the gratitude of practitioners and patients, who occasionally return the favor.

### A billion-dollar market

Two decades ago, Gordon was approached by a customer who happened to be the chief technology officer of a Silicon Valley company specializing in

cosmetic dermatology lasers. The start-up was debuting a high-frequency machine that would go on to create the billion-dollar fractional laser industry — after Gordon helped develop a topical painkiller that matched the laser's intensity.

"The idea was to help make it as comfortable a procedure as it could be," Gordon said, explaining that typical doses of the common numbing agent lidocaine max out at 5% concentration. The ingredient can be toxic in high doses, so he and other willing professionals volunteered their own skin for testing purposes. Mishaps were comical at worst, he reassured, and all paid off when Gordon launched LipoThene in 2005, licensing the formula for a numbing gel with a safe yet powerful 30% concentration of active ingredients. LipoThene has become an international business, and the laser company has flown Gordon around the world to teach pharmacists how to compound the solution.

### Like baking a pie

Technology plays a vital role at Central Avenue Pharmacy, too. "In the early days, compounding was like baking a pie. Everything is computerized now, between scanners and scales that allow essentially no variance," Gordon said. But don't expect an AI assistant to replace your friendly local pharmacist.

Efficient software and a staff of 25 "great people" to wield it have ushered in "the most fulfilling time of my professional career," Gordon said. "I'm spending more time than ever advising and working with patients directly, and it's a privilege."

He's convinced that demand for more personalized medicine and lackluster job

prospects might encourage the next generation to take an entrepreneurial leap.

"We're still human beings, and we need to be touched," Gordon said. "I hope more young pharmacists will take the risk I did."

As CAPRx's first employee, Gordon spent years working 12-hour days, seven days per week, plus deliveries. Now, with a good deal more free time, he enjoys visiting

his daughter, a movie production assistant in Los Angeles, and his son, who works in real estate development in Providence, R.I. At home in Pebble Beach, he golfs, hikes, and experiments with sourdough.

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# CROSSWALK

From page 15A

absent. Smith also cited ambiguities in the city's crosswalk policy.

"My intent is to bring this back to the council to allow staff to address a comprehensive policy that really gives more clarity and, likewise, to consider a red, white and blue crosswalk to be in keeping with city values," he said.

City Manager Dante Hall said that while it's possible for city crews to paint a street with patriotic colors before July 4, he suggested the council discuss policy changes later since staff would need more time on the issue. Smith agreed that was

the best route.

In June 2025, the council approved a rainbow crosswalk at Alvarado and Pearl streets to recognize the LGBTQ community, which funded its painting. Smith dissented, saying he felt that city streets should not include art.

On Tuesday, Smith said his intent "is not to facilitate removing the rainbow crosswalk that is there now at Pearl and Alvarado."

Several residents who spoke at the meeting said only private funds, not tax dollars, should be used to pay for the installation and maintenance of any decorative crosswalk.

Luis Osorio said the city should rent the crosswalk space to different groups to generate income for the city.



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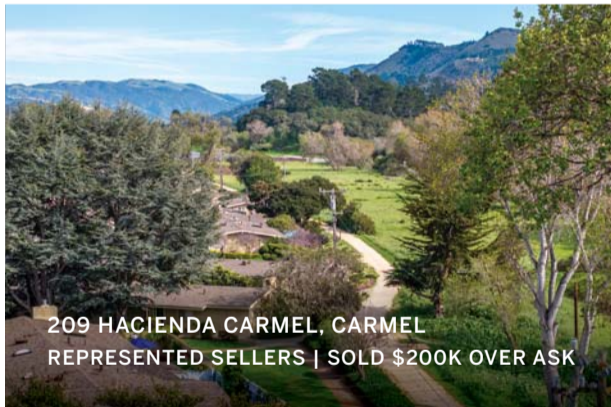
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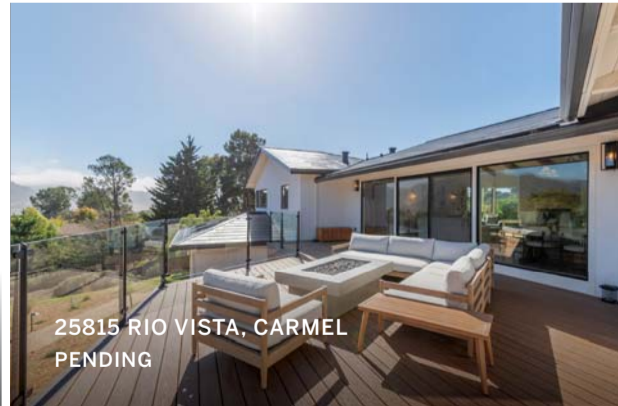
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# Class of 2026

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

From first grade to cap and gown in the blink of an eye

By ELAINE HESSER

**GRADUATION IS** a pause — a moment between the clock’s “tick” of adolescence and “tock” of adulthood — to remember and to dream. For a few weeks each spring, we take time to embrace the childhood memories and audacious hopes that bookend young lives.

Of course, the clock never really stops. But we do — to honor students who have earned their diplomas, especially those who rose to the tops of their classes.

Please join us in congratulating the academic achievers of the Class of 2026.

**Carmel High School** has adopted a system used by some high schools in which every senior who completes a rigorous series of requirements is declared a valedictorian.

This year’s group comprises **Peyton Adams, Zana Balaban, Esme Beesley, Katherine Blakely, Connor Bone, Claire Bonyng, Jonas Buran, Dylan Chhor, Elizabeth Descalzi, Merielle Flagg, Chase Ford, Sydney Leighton, Matthew Lin, Ryan Lin, Averil Mabry, Juliet Norman, Anna Prescott, Cassidy Scheid, Leah Sibley and Norah Strawser** — all

VALEDICTORIANS *cont. page 39A*



Among 2026’s top students are four from Carmel High, including (top row from left) Dylan Chhor, Kate Blakely, Mary Zewert and Matthew Lin. Other top-notch students include (bottom row) Milo Nothnagle and Sofia Shulz from P.G. High. Hope Sallee and Nikol Lahoda from Santa Catalina and Aless Gapsin of York.



## Congratulations to our graduating seniors



**Sophia Pyo**

Graduating from Pacific Grove High School, Attending Stanford University, Majoring in Chemistry



**Andrew Atanous**

Graduating from Pacific Grove High School, Attending U.C. Santa Cruz, Majoring in Engineering with a Minor in Music



**Merielle Flagg**

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**Tiffany Yanez**

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# C L A S S O F 2 0 2 6

## Scholar-athletes are ready to face challenges on and off the field

By DENNIS TAYLOR

**THE JOURNEY** from Neverland to Tomorrowland usually passes through a portal known as high school graduation. On the other side waits adulthood.

How did this happen so soon? And what took so long? And what happens next?

In a humorous vein, "When I turned 18, my mom said, 'Well, you can go to a real jail now,'" Santa Catalina senior **Quinn Connolly** mused. Her next stop will be UC Davis, where she'll major in managerial economics, with plans to become a corporate attorney or an entertainment lawyer working in women's sports.

That'll probably be the easy part for Connolly, who achieved a 4.26 grade-point average at Catalina and is likely well prepared for the academic challenges that lie ahead.

### Weight of the world

But the best and brightest of the Class of 2026 are also acutely aware that they're inheriting a turbulent world from the generations that preceded them.

They see an unhealthy planet, economic inequities, racial polarization, political gridlock, deteriorating morality, escalating gun violence, democracy that seems to be foundering and countless other concerns.

Are they optimistic? Are they confident? Are they equipped to clean up the messes that will be dumped in their laps?

"I honestly wish I had a good answer to that question," said **Laird Welch**, who leaves **Stevenson School** with a 3.8 GPA and heads to Connecticut College. "I like to think of myself as an optimistic person. I'd like to say that yes, Gen Z is ready to fix those things."

Conversations among Stevenson students invariably turn to the promise and concerns surrounding the exploding field of artificial intelligence, said Welch, who plans to explore his options before declaring a major.

"Back in the day, I thought I'd be going into finance, economics, something related to business," said Welch, who co-founded an investment club during his time at the private Pebble Beach school. "But all students seem to talk about nowadays, in every classroom at Stevenson, is how much the landscape of our world is changing every single day. So I'm keeping an open mind about a path of study as



(From left) Leah Sibley was a valedictorian at Carmel High and a co-captain and first-team all-division lacrosse player. She is headed for the University of Oregon. Stanford-bound Matt Maxon was a record-smashing slugger, dominating pitcher and high-achieving student at Carmel High School. Quinn Connolly achieved a 4.26 grade-point average at Santa Catalina and was the PCAL MVP in water polo, a sport she'll play at UC Davis.

I go off to college. I'm hoping I can play a part in finding some solutions."

**Leah Sibley** achieved valedictorian status at **Carmel High School** with a 4.56 GPA while playing field hockey, soccer and lacrosse for four consecutive years, serving as vice president of her senior class, volunteering as a school ambassador and participating in the school's sports medicine program.

She'll take those credentials to the University of Oregon, where she'll major in human physiology with plans to become a sports physician.

"It's hard to realize that this is the end of what I know now, but exciting to look forward to all the things I'm about to do," she said. "I spent more than 600 hours working on the sidelines and in the training room with Carmel

athletes, and I'm very excited about doing that at Oregon."

Her choice to become a doctor provides a unique opportunity to make changes for the better, she believes.

"I really want to be in medicine, whether it's sports medicine, women's health or something else. I really believe I can make an impact on the world I live in," Sibley said.

"And honestly, I think the consensus among Gen Z students is that we're going to be the group who helps move our world toward solutions."

Her classmate, **Matt Maxon**, a standout pitcher and record-breaking slugger on Carmel's baseball team, won't have much time for sentiment after graduation day. By

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## ROTARY CLUB OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA

*The Rotary Club of Carmel -by-the-Sea has awarded 2026 scholarships, Rotary, Interact, Vocational, Music, and Memorial to the following students:*

Raegan Adams, Nate Barnes, John Beretti, Isabella Boaro, Connor Bone, Scarlett Carter-Salazar, Dylan Chhor, Sophia Comello, Margaux Dubrana-Lehmkuhl, Julius Dutta, Chase Ford, Lauren Galicia, Drew Galy, Lila Glazier, Samantha Hart, Marc Kalman-Zulik, Ian Lome, Alan Martinez, Bodhi Melton, Donovan Nagai, Juliet Norman, Landon Onitsuka, Nathan Savoie, Leah Sibley, Viliami Sime, Bailey Stewart, Norah Strawser, Samuel Weaver, Sofia Western

**Interact Scholarship** - Cole Chavez

**Jim Agan Vocational Scholarship:** Mason Haag

**B.J. Love Memorial Scholarship:** Creedence Stiebel

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*The students listed, in addition to those students currently in college with the LaSalle Music program, will be sharing a total of \$140,000 in 2026 in Scholarship support from Carmel-by-the-Sea Rotary*

Congratulations to **Analís Bans**, First grade teacher at Carmel River School, recognized with the 2026 Harris A. Taylor Excellence in Teaching Award given annually by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Rotary Club.



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## CLASS OF 2026

## An artist and a pilot walk across the stage

By LILY PATTERSON

**ONE WILL** take to the heavens, and the other will take on a decidedly mortal endeavor, but only after he's finished a hitch with the U.S. Marines. Carson Varney, who is weeks away from earning his private pilot's license and is enrolled at Embry-Riddle University, otherwise known as "the Harvard of the sky," and Alex Kotrodimos, an artist, Marine recruit and aspiring mortician, are two of Carmel High School's most unusual graduates. They have more in common: no patience for desk jobs and a surplus of ambition, the kind that seems to summon opportunities out of thin air.

**Basic training**

For Kotrodimos, who will pack off to San Diego for boot camp in August, variety runs in the family. His dad served in the Army — but then he was an English teacher, a mortician's assistant, and an employee in the civilian writing department at the Defense Language Institute — and now works as a carpenter.

"My dad never really talked about the Army, but he was a mortician's assistant while originally teaching. He's told me a lot of stories about that," Kotrodimos recalled. Inspired by those tales and "an interest in the macabre," his long-term plan is to become a mortician.

He wasn't so sure two years ago. Despite excelling in the arts — he writes, draws, paints, plays music, and next week is flying to New York City to accept a National Scholastic Art & Writing award for photography, a relatively new hobby — Kotrodimos had ideas but little certainty



Alex Kotrodimos

about what to study. He also doubted he could afford a four-year degree, so he decided to join the Marines.

"What a lot of people don't realize is that almost 80% of service jobs are non-combat. The military gets a bad name, but I think it's a really good move if you're struggling to find your way, especially if you need a financial boost as a young person," Kotrodimos said.

Iconic dress uniform aside, the Marines' reputation for rigor and excellence stood

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## LIAM RODRIGUEZ

Congratulations on graduating high school with a perfect 4.0 GPA! Watching you balance the dedication of a varsity soccer player with the focus and artistry of a school orchestra member has been absolutely incredible and a joy to behold. It has been our honor to see your dedication to every evening practice, late-night study session, and musical performance these past four years (and beyond) and your unwavering commitment has made us incredibly proud. As you take this next massive step forward into university, just remember that the same drive, passion, and brilliance you showed here will carry you through anything. We love you, and we can't wait to see the next chapter you write!

*Mom, Dad & Laith*

CARMEL HIGH SCHOOL 2026

## CARMEL HIGH SCHOOL

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# C L A S S O F 2 0 2 6

## Freshmen create their own visions of graduation

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

**CAL STATE** Monterey Bay student Kate Hooper took her place before an expectant audience and began her commencement speech. Along the way, she said, “I realized that growth doesn’t announce itself clearly. It can show up as confusion, discomfort and the decision to keep trying again, every day. That is what this journey has been. It is a long series of showing up and choosing to try to keep going every day.”

Hooper concluded with, “And so my message for you today is simple: Resilience is not a quality we are born with. It is the community we build, a mindset we practice, and a choice we make over and over again.”

She was followed by Andreyra Cardenas-Urbano and Presley Love Haroutonian.

These students delivered their graduation speeches with

dignity and poise. Yet Hooper, Cardenas and Haroutonian are freshmen — two of them representing the first generations in their families to attend college — completing their first year at CSUMB. They were delivering their final exams in the university’s speaking and listening course.

### No movie magic

Their assignment, introduced at the start of the semester, began with a quote by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow: “Great is the art of beginning, but greater is the art of ending.” It asked students to think about the path from the excitement of college acceptance to graduation ceremonies. They then had to craft and deliver a speech they would be proud to present at commencement.

Cardenas wrote, “As we graduate, we often hear about



Kate Hooper

success, careers and what comes next. But today, I want to talk about something that made all of this possible: education.

“Now more than ever, a strong education system is not just important, it’s necessary. We live in a world that is constantly changing, where knowledge shapes opportunity and where access to education can determine the direction of someone’s entire life.”

Haroutonian said, “At the start of my journey here at CSU Monterey Bay, I believed success was something that had to be measured. I thought success meant looking good on paper by checking all the right boxes,” but, she learned, “Success is not a one-size-fits-all framework.”

She continued, “For me, redefining success meant shifting my focus. I began to value authenticity over perfection. I chose growth over feeling comfortable. Lastly, I valued every version of myself that led me to this moment today.” She then challenged classmates to do the same, redefining success as a decision, not a destination.

In going off to college, Hooper didn’t know what to expect. She just knew she needed to try her hardest. She had heard the stories of her parents’ college experiences, but she sensed things might be different now.

“A year in,” she said, “I’ve learned that college isn’t exactly like the movies. It’s not that simple. I’ve had to learn how to navigate my social, emotional and educational experiences and to imagine who I want to be and how I want to have grown by the time I walk across that stage.”

Hooper’s mother, Deanna Hooper, has long recognized that while she and her husband are there to support her, their daughter is very independent.

“Kate is so determined to be the best she can be,” said her mother, a kindergarten teacher. “We set that intention early, telling all three of our children that there’s always more to learn and do, that college is important, but learning doesn’t stop when formal education does. It’s important to be open to opportunities to learn.”

### Learning together

The concept of going to college was new to first-generation student Cardenas, and the Santa Maria resident had a lot to figure out on her own.

“I thought about attending community college for financial reasons and remaining close to home,” she said. “I didn’t know if I could go that far and be away from my family. What brought me to CSUMB was its affordability, the culture of social mobility and the financial aid.”

The idea was new for her family, too. When she went through the process, she said, they all went through it.

“My mom didn’t go to college,” Cardenas said. “Born

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Andreyra Cardenas-Urbano



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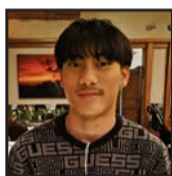
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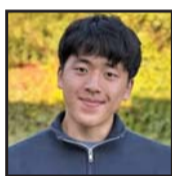
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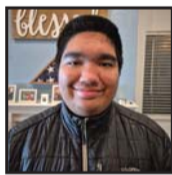
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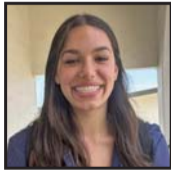
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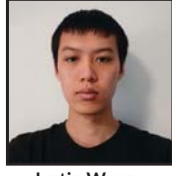
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ready to move on to new challenges.

The endocrine system, for example, is a seemingly random assortment of organs that release hormones, regulating mood, metabolism, reproduction and possibly the TikTok algorithm. (OK, maybe not that last one.) **Matthew Lin** finds it fascinating. He likes science — learning “where we came from and how the world works,” and he’s going to Dartmouth College to major in neuroscience with the goal of becoming a psychiatrist.

This summer, he plans to visit Italy, spend time with friends and possibly job-shadow some doctors and work at Ohana, Montage’s youth mental health facility. Lin relishes spending time in nature and looks forward to outdoor activities, like skiing. The student body of fewer than

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*Maryanne DiMaggio*

Everyone can see the success but not everyone can see the passion and hard work it took you to achieve it. We are so proud of you!

We love you,  
Papa and Gramma

CARMEL HIGH CLASS OF 2026



# LOGAN PHARES

Life is about the journey not the destination, continue to embrace your passions while you achieve your goals. We are so proud of you! We really have enjoyed watching you from the sidelines.

We love you,  
Papa and Gramma.

CARMEL HIGH CLASS OF 2026

# Congratulations on Your Retirement!

On behalf of the Carmel Unified School District and the Board of Education, we extend our deepest gratitude and warmest congratulations to our 2026 retirees.

Your dedication, passion, and years of service have left a meaningful impact on our students, families, and community. Thank you for creating learning environments where students are empowered to thrive and succeed

We celebrate your contributions and wish you happiness and fulfillment in your retirement. You will always be a part of the CUSD family!



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7,000 — the smallest of the Ivies — is also appealing, as is the school's focus on teaching undergrads.

**Kate Blakely** plans to major in psychology and minor in French at Scripps College, where, she said, she's looking forward to an all-female environment. She balanced her classroom time with volunteering at Ohana. The staff was soliciting input from youth for its in-patient facilities — guidance on what posters might be helpful, what movies to show and even how to celebrate holidays.

Blakely said that after exploring her options, she may work toward a career in psychiatry or other mental-health-related field.

**Dylan Chhor** is a first-generation American. His parents immigrated from Cambodia and took over their relatives' Bagel Bakery in the Barnyard shopping center. His dad has since become a teacher and his mom has retired from the business.

Chhor praised the CHS community. "There was not a moment when there wasn't someone I could go to with a question," he said.

A varsity swimmer who takes on longer distances like the 500-yard free swim, or clocks a mile with a swim club,

Chhor also played water polo and works as a lifeguard.

This fall, he's headed to UC Santa Barbara to major in molecular biology, with an eye toward dentistry or medical school.

Pebble Beach resident **Mary Zewert** is **Stevenson School's** valedictorian. She plans to attend New York University and major in finance, where she can apply her favorite subject, math.

When asked about challenges she'd faced, Zewert said, "Like every high school student, I had to balance sports, academics and life." That included four years of field hockey, as well as pole vaulting on the track team, where her personal best is 9 feet. She plans to spend summer with her family and maybe travel a little before kicking off her East Coast adventure.

### Home to Kyiv

Year after year, **Santa Catalina School's** outstanding graduates — there is no valedictorian — emphasize the bonds of sisterhood at the all-girls institution.

That support was especially important to **Nikol Lahoda** of Ukraine, who arrived in 2022, not long after Russia's most recent invasion of her homeland.

She visited her family in Kyiv several times and de-

scribed a place where "people are just trying to live their lives to the best of their ability." Last winter, she reported, freezing temperatures and limited access to electricity — one or two hours a day — made staying warm difficult.

Adjusting to life in a new country was challenging, but her English skills grew rapidly and she said her teachers helped her to flourish.

Lahoda also found a home in the theater, where she played Polonius in "Hamlet." She said playing a man was no more difficult than any other role and that she learns something from every character she portrays.

Her mom attended graduation, and they're heading home together. Lahoda's preparing for a college entrance exam that will determine her eligibility to attend Kyiv Mohyla Academy, where she hopes to study international relations and political science to "have a positive impact on society."

Classmate **Hope Sallee** was also into theater, although she wasn't cast in "The Little Mermaid" — the first show she auditioned for.

"I was so horrible," she laughed.

"Murder on the Orient Express," by Agatha Christie, was brought to life in a subsequent production, and Sallee — a fan of the author — made the cut. In addition to three years on the yearbook staff, she found a new passion — rock climbing — thanks to people who encouraged her to try new things without fear of failure. Sallee said the sport is also popular at Pomona College, where she plans to study environmental analysis and English.

### Tie for first

**Milo Nothnagle** and **Sophia Schulz**, friends who sometimes studied together, managed a rare tie for the top spot at **Pacific Grove High School**. Nothnagle — whose mother and grandmother were valedictorians at their high schools — enjoys math and took a four-year engineering pathway. It introduced him to mechanical engineering and computer-assisted design and gave him hands-on experience in manufacturing and fabrication. He did venture out

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Juliet Norman, CHS

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CLASS OF 2026 GRADUATES

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Montenegro  
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Hannah Louise Hellawell  
Grace Lauren Henrard  
Isabela Herrera  
Juliana Herrera  
Jingxi Huang  
Abigail Uri Jung  
Nikol Lahoda  
Sasha Lara Contreras  
Yilou Ma  
Brooke Anastasia McCoy

Emerson McHugh  
Jiya Mehtani  
Zehya Laxmi Mohan-Black  
Georgia Ann Morrison  
Ines Perez Aguirre  
Victoria Marie Pureco  
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Isabella Serrano  
Rosette Terese Tawfik  
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Tingting Xie  
Margaret Zeng  
Angie Zhang  
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in Mexico, she met my brother's dad early in her life, so she had to drop out of high school. Instead, she worked in factories and in the fields. Later, she started a medical assistant program and became a pediatric medical assistant. She and I are so proud of each other."

"When my daughter told me she wanted to go to college, I was proud she had set that in her mind," her mother, Alejandra, said. "I admire that she took the initiative to do it for herself."

Unaware of scholarships or financial aid available for first-generation college students, Haroutonian planned to attend her local community college in Glendora until her high school counselor explained that with her high GPA, there were more opportunities available.

"I went to a First-Gen Conference in Austin in June, where I met other first-generation students, heard keynote speakers sharing stories similar to mine and began networking," she said, and it opened up possibilities she hadn't considered.

Yet, while driving from Los Angeles to the Monterey Peninsula, Haroutonian felt the fear rise and began sobbing, telling her mom through tears that she wasn't sure she was ready. Her mother's response — that she could turn the car around right then and there — helped her shift her fears into perseverance.

"Watching Presley navigate her path to college has been amazing to experience," said her mom, Desiree Rambaud. "She made it happen! She got the funding, she wrote the essays, she applied for the grants and scholarships. I just loved her through it.

"Presley continuously amazes me with her college journey every day. She is meant for this university life and isn't going to let anything stop her from getting her college degree. She has a bright and beautiful future ahead."

And that, after all, is what it's all about.



Presley Love Haroutonian and her mom, Desiree Rambaud.



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out to him. “That’s another reason for joining. Discipline has always been a thing I’ve struggled with,” Kotrodimos said, describing his decision as “an investment, rather than a lifelong goal.”

Recently, he took the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery. The standardized test matches new recruits to jobs based on their skills, and his results confirmed what he hoped was true: He’s primed for intelligence work, which will make use of his talent for language and composition.

Given the choice, Kotrodimos would like to be stationed in Southeast Asia or eastern Europe. Following active duty, he plans to move to New York. He already has two top-tier mortician sciences schools in mind, one in Brooklyn and the other upstate.

### Entrepreneur

Varney, on the other hand, will make his home on Embry-Riddle’s main campus in Daytona Beach for the next four years. After that, “home” is something he’ll have to define. If he decides to become a commercial pilot, home might be his crew base or a layover hotel in his destination

city. If Varney ends up running a corporate fleet — he’s pursuing a minor in business management while earning his bachelor’s in aeronautical science — he’ll fly wherever the business takes him.

“A cool thing about the degree is that it reduces the hours I need for my airline transport pilot certificate. It’s 1,000 hours versus 1,500 if I didn’t go to an accredited university,” he explained.

Flight makes for an unconventional life, but Varney performs his finest work on the go.

He and a friend from Carmel High own and operate Detailers by the Sea, a mobile service called in for touch-ups at the Monterey Jet Center and in the driveways of approximately 20 “maintenance clients” each month, as well as attending to more than 50 very special vehicles during Car Week. Varney’s dad, a marine pilot who guides cruise ships into port in Alaska, and his mom, a freelance marketing consultant, have “always pushed entrepreneurship,” he said.

The business means Varney gets to spend time in and around planes and automobiles, including the company truck.

“We bought it ourselves and fully built it out with a



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water tank and generator, which was super fun,” he said.

The same friend’s dad is a corporate pilot who let Varney take a seat in the cockpit about two years ago. Six months later, Varney enrolled in flight school with Aerodynamic Aviation in Monterey and has since moved on to Soar, based in Salinas. It’s a costly undertaking, but years of detailing have funded 40 hours of ground school and nearly 80 hours of flight time — 12 of them solo — which means Varney is two weeks away from earning his private pilot’s license.

Balancing work, flight school and academic requirements, Varney is set on adding a “teaching” instrument rating to the many he’ll earn at Embry-Riddle. The certification requires 1000 hours of flight time, and it isn’t required, but Varney has his reasons.

“It’s a great way to get flight time paid for and should help with tuition costs. And I remember how it felt to land a plane for the first time... I can only imagine how cool it feels to teach someone,” he said.

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mid-June, he’ll be taking summer classes at Stanford University, lightening the academic load for his freshman season as a full-ride scholarship athlete with the Cardinal.

“I’m definitely emotional about leaving a school with an amazing sense of togetherness and a very united community — Carmel is very different from other places,” he said. “And I’ll miss being a kid, having less stress and responsibility.”

“But I also feel like the wait is almost over. I’m ready to get on campus and get going.”

Maxon, a 4.4 student, will study science and technology and has faith in his generation.

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of the lab, though — Nothnagle ran cross country, swam and has fun surfing, hiking and biking.

At Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, he'll study aerospace engineering, though he seemed quite certain he did not want to be an astronaut. He said he's more into airplanes and jets.

Schulz said she is grateful for her upbringing in a town, she described as small, sheltered and safe. Finding her way at UCLA will be a big change, but the university offers a psycho-biology major that will let her indulge her fascination with the human mind.

Meanwhile, she makes earrings you can buy at Whimsy (510 Lighthouse Ave., P.G.), and her artwork is on exhibit at The Pacific Grove Art Center through the end of this month. Schulz also plays piano at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic church in Carmel Valley.

At York School, Marina resident **Aless Gapasin** said she learned to use past successes to inspire herself to try new challenges. She loves statistics and English, which offer opportunities to think critically analytically. She worked on the school's

literary magazine, for which she solicited and curated students' creative work.

Raised in Salinas, Gapasin attributes much of her success to her parents, particularly her mother. "She's always pushed me to be the best I could be," said Gapasin. "It's culturally different (at York), and there aren't as many people who look like me," as there were at Sacred Heart School in Salinas, she said. "I'm very proud to have been valedictorian for that reason. Representation is important to me."

She'll spend the summer taking college courses online to get a head start on New York University studies in data science — and so she "doesn't get rusty." The goal is to keep challenging herself, get work "ASAP" after completing her bachelor's degree and eventually attend graduate school.

Many students thanked specific teachers — not to mention parents, grandparents and siblings — but space limitations prevented us from listing everyone. It would be as if a who's who of faculty ("Who's Whom," for the English instructors) met a data dump from Ancestry.com. Just know that these students acknowledged that they did not achieve success on their own, and boy, are they grateful.



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“I think we have the capability to unite the people who are so divided right now, and clean up a lot of the problems,” he said.

### Leaving home

Leaving the protective bubble that is the Monterey Peninsula lifestyle figures to be an adjustment for most college-bound seniors.

Emotions are mixed for Connolly as she leaves Santa Catalina, the school she’s attended for more than 13 years, and moves on to UC Davis, where she’ll become an NCAA Division I water polo player.

“This will be my third graduation at Catalina — kindergarten, eighth grade and now high school — so I’m feeling pretty nostalgic,” she said. “I’m really excited about what’s ahead, but it’s also a little bittersweet. I’m leaving my hometown, all of the teachers, coaches and administrators who have guided me, all of my classmates.

It’s been such a great environment — the place where I learned how to become a better version of myself.”

And, yes, the future looks daunting for Gen Z, she said.

“To be honest, my generation seems pretty overwhelmed by all of it — I think a lot of us tend to avoid thinking about what changes need to be made and what we need to fix.

“But I am hopeful that we’re ready to come together and rebuild the future,” said Connolly, who served two years in Catalina’s student senate (one as class secretary), spent three years with an improv comedy group called Burrito and was the student body media coordinator as a senior.

Connolly, Welch, Maxon and Sibley all have accrued substantial leadership skills as multisport athletes.

Sibley was a co-captain and first-team All-PCAL in lacrosse and field hockey and also played soccer. She received Carmel High’s 2026 Coaches Award for her lead-

ership skills as a lacrosse player.

Maxon earned first-team all-division honors three times in baseball, along with MVP and Offensive Player of the Year honors in the Gabilan Division. He was an All-Gabilan wide receiver in football in his senior year.


Welch was the Gabilan Division’s Offensive Player of the Year in water polo, the Defensive Player of the Year in lacrosse and played on the varsity basketball team this season.

And Connolly was the PCAL Player of the Year in water polo and first-team all-di-



Laird Welch from Stevenson School is a fierce competitor in the pool.

vision three years in a row. *Dennis Taylor is a professional freelance writer in Monterey County. Contact him at scribelaureate@gmail.com.*



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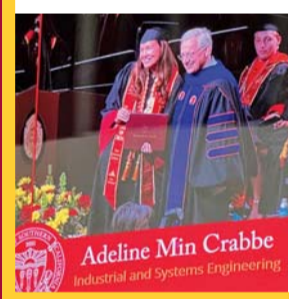



*Addie Crabbe*

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## ACCLAIMED FOLK TRIO IS BACK AT SUNSET, CELLISTS KICK OFF SUMMERFEST

A GRAMMY Award-winning folk trio whose name was Hillary Clinton's 2016 campaign slogan, "I'm With Her," plays Friday, 7:30 p.m., at Sunset Center.

### On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

Since forming as a trio in 2014, singers and instrumentalists **Sarah Jarosz**, **Aoife O'Donovan** and **Sara Watkins** have earned three Grammys together, including Best Folk Album in 2026 for their second recording, "Wild and Clear and Blue." Jarosz has also won four Grammys as a



Guitarist William Coulter and singer Elis Kennedy perform Irish folk music at the Sand Box in Sand City Wednesday.

solo artist, while Watkins received one for her work with Nickel Creek.

The trio made its debut at Sunset Center in October 2022.

Tickets start at \$51. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. Call (831) 620-2048.

### ■ Summerfest starts June 9

A series of five chamber music concerts in intimate settings across the Monterey Peninsula, Sunkiss'd Mozart's third annual Summerfest kicks off Tuesday, 6 p.m., with a cello concert at the Mayo Hayes O'Donnell Library at 155 Van Buren St. in Monterey.

Founded by artistic director and violinist **Tien-Hsin Cindy Wu**, the series showcases "a cast of seasoned performing artists from around the globe," along with "promising newcomers from top conservatories." "Audiences of all ages will experience an enlightening close encounter with the art of chamber music and with the passionate musicians who have dedicated their lives to bringing it to life," according to Sunkiss'd Mozart.

The series continues through June 14. For a complete schedule, visit [skmozart.com](http://skmozart.com).

### ■ Duo visits Sand Box

Grammy Award-winning guitarist **William Coulter** teams up with singer **Elis Kennedy** Wednesday, 7 p.m., at the Sand Box in Sand City. The duo will play music "that draws on decades of Irish musical history, as well as blending classical styles into folk music."

A longtime Santa Cruz resident, Coulter earned a Grammy Award in 2005 for Best Pop Instrumental Album after he contributed a track to the "Henry Mancini: Pink Guitar" recording. Kennedy was named Female Vocalist



Sarah Jarosz, Aoife O'Donovan and Sara Watkins, collectively known as "I'm With Her," play Friday at Sunset Center.

of the Year by the radio station Live Ireland.

Tickets start at \$25. The Sand Box is located at 440 Ortiz Ave. Visit [sandboxsandcity.com](http://sandboxsandcity.com).

### ■ Dark and brooding

Celebrating a band that helped pioneer electronic music, **Strangelove** pays tribute to Depeche Mode Saturday, 7 p.m., at Golden State Theatre in Monterey.

Led by singer **Leo Luganskiy**, Strangelove recreates a concert by Depeche Mode, which had its heyday in the late 1980s and early 1990s with dark and brooding goth

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## A nearly half-century career ends, and a new business begins

WE RECENTLY learned about an employee whose longevity with a single employer spanned almost his entire adult life, from voting age to being on Medicare. At the other end of the spectrum, a young mom from Seaside just got a brand-new business started, in her own kitchen.

A Carmel Valley shop has workshops to get your culinary juices flowing, and a local chamber wants to try your favorite chili recipe. The only catch? You've gotta do the cooking.

Grab some coffee or a glass of wine and read on!

### ■ One employer, 48 years

Executive chef Carl Ashurst of the Portola Hotel has been there since it opened as a DoubleTree Inn next to the Monterey Conference Center in 1978. He came to the Monterey Peninsula when his father was assigned to Fort Ord in 1966. At 14, Ashurst went to work as a dishwasher for Plaza Linda's Cannery Row location, then

The same people who launched the Monterey hotel kept it in 2004, when it gave up its DoubleTree franchise to become an independent property.

Ashurst said that now, in his mid-60s, his body is starting to show the wear and tear of kitchen life, and he and his wife have a 6-year-old adopted daughter he wants to spend time with. They had provided foster care for three of the girl's half-siblings — not to mention several other kids who have stayed with them over the years — and, said Ashurst, adopting the youngster was the right thing to do.

The couple have three adult children of their own, all of whom live nearby and can help with childcare when necessary.

Ashurst said that during 47 years of marriage, his other half has referred to his job as, "my second wife."

"She has a lot of 'honey-do's' for me in retirement," he laughed.

### Lots of herbs

He graduated from sous chef to executive chef when the Portola Hotel reopened after Covid. "They called me back first," he said, and they started interviewing candidates for a new exec, but the applicants didn't impress.

"They were young and only interested in the title and the money," he said.

Finally, he told management he'd take



Executive chef Carl Ashurst then (above) and now. He's retiring after 48 years of working in the kitchen of what was once the DoubleTree and is now the Portola Hotel. He said one of the first things he learned at the hotel was how to flip eggs without a spatula.

## Soup to Nuts

owned by the family who had the Carmel Valley restaurant of the same name.

When the Monterey spot closed, Ashurst spent two years at Jack in the Box, where he became a shift leader. He came to the DoubleTree at 19, with plenty to learn as he started working as a breakfast cook.

"I didn't know how to flip eggs, so I practiced with a piece of bread in a pan," he recalled.

In addition to being on the original staff of the Monterey property, he was involved in opening locations for the chain in Dallas, St. Louis, Tulsa, Vail and Santa Clara.

on the responsibility if they'd find him a reliable sous chef, which they did. For the last four years, Ashurst has been in charge of "everything having to do with food" at the sprawling hotel.

The new executive chef, Pacifico Mata, brings 27 years of experience and was hired two months ahead of Ashurst's June 15 exit to allow for plenty of training. It's a bittersweet time.

"I'll miss all the employees," he said. "They're sad, and I'm sad."

Nevertheless, it's time to rest a bit, give his wife a break from cooking, play some golf, and start gardening at home in Marina. Ashurst said his brother, who lives in Seaside, has been pretty successful with cucumbers, watermelons and more, while he hopes to grow "lots of herbs" and vegetables in raised beds.

"I have a great family. My family and

my wife's family — we all get along." Now, he can really take time to enjoy them.

### ■ Starting small

Since 2013, anyone who wants to sell homemade food in Monterey County has been able to apply for a cottage food operation permit from the county's environmental health bureau.

Although she doesn't claim to be an expert, Sara Hertzog of Stone & Starter Bakery in Seaside got a Class A permit in December, which allows her to produce certain foods to sell direct to consumers. In addition to a food handling certificate, she had to get approval for a list of items for sale, all of which must be at low risk for spoiling. A loaf of bread is OK, but

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# FOOD & WINE

## FOOD

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not cream cheese frosting, for example. And although Hertzog has three daughters who “love the kitchen,” kids (and animals) aren’t allowed in the room during commercial food prep.

Hertzog didn’t grow up watching her parents cook or bake, so she’s self-taught with an assist from “the school of YouTube.”

“When you finally figure something out — especially in baking — there’s a great sense of accomplishment,” Hertzog said. “It’s instant gratification, and it feeds your family.”

With encouragement from friends and neighbors — who pronounced her baked goods delicious — she decided to try opening a small business.

Although she had no experience as an entrepreneur, “I’m very much a ‘throw yourself into it and ask questions later’ person,” she said, adding that her spouse is a great help.

“My husband is my best friend, so supportive — he’s a good trooper and helps me think things through.”

### Extra step

One thing Hertzog believes sets her baked goods apart is the fact that she home-mills at least 15% of the all-organic flour that goes into them. She explained that freshly milled flour improves flavor but goes stale very quickly, so it’s not something that can be bought in bulk. The flour at the grocery store undergoes processing that makes it more shelf-stable.

Her primary avenue of sales is through an e-commerce platform called Hotplate. Customers go to

hotplate.com/stoneandstarter81 and enter a phone number. A weekly text alerts them when it’s time to place orders for sourdough bread (\$13 for a full loaf, \$10 for a half-size round), dinner rolls (\$15/dozen), cheese- or cinnamon-flavored bubble breads (aka monkey bread or pull-apart bread, \$16 per pan), and one type of special item like large triple-chocolate-chunk sourdough cookies (six for \$18 or \$34 per dozen).

Pickup is on Fridays in Seaside, items do sell out in advance, and reviews have been enthusiastically positive.

In addition to selling her own products, Hertzog has started teaching hands-on baking classes, and class times and dates are on her Hotplate site. “People learn best in community,” she said, and all her students

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Sara Hertzog, owner of Stone & Starter cottage bakery, sometimes sells her artisanal baked goods at farmers markets, but takes orders online weekly +for pick up.

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### ■ A chamber adventure

A Santa Cruz-based group known for its “adventurous” programming, **Espresso Chamber Orchestra** performs Sunday, 4 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church of Monterey.

The program includes Aaron Copland’s “Appalachian Spring” — the orchestra will perform an early and intimate version of it — along with Sibelius’s “En Saga,” Mendelssohn’s “String Symphony No. 7” and Milhaud’s “Little Symphony No. 3.”

Tickets start at \$18. The church is located at 501 El Dorado St. Visit [espressoorch.org](http://espressoorch.org).

### Live music June 4-10

#### ■ Big Sur

**Big Sur River Inn** — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (folk, Saturday, 12:30 p.m.), **The Big Sur Sliders** (folk, rock and reggae, Sunday at noon), singer and guitarist **Victor Veysey** (Thursday at 6 p.m.). 46800 Highway 1.

#### ■ Carmel

**Carmel Mission Inn — Open Mic Night** (Wednesday at 5 p.m.). In Shearwater Tavern, 3665 Rio Road.

**Hyatt Carmel Highlands** — singer and pianist **T.J. Kuenster** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer **Dino Vera** (jazz, r&b and dance music, Saturday and Thursday at 6 p.m.). 120 Highlands Drive.

**La Playa Hotel — The David Morwood Trio** (jazz, Sunday and Tuesday at 5 p.m.). In Bud’s Bar, Camino Real and Eighth Avenue.

**Cypress Inn** — singer **Dino Vera** (jazz, R&B and dance music, Friday at 6:30 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.), **The David Morwood Jazz Band** (Thursday at 6 p.m.). Lincoln and Seventh.

**Links Club — Tribe in the Sky** presents an Open Mic & Jam Session (Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.). Carmel Plaza, Mission and Ocean.

**Mission Ranch** — singer and pianist **Maddalaine Edstrom** (jazz, Friday through Sunday at 5 p.m.), pianist **Gennady Loktionov** (jazz, Monday through Thursday at 5 p.m.). 26270 Dolores St.

### ■ Carmel Valley

**Bernardus Lodge** — pianist **Micheal Culver** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Jewel Arianna** (Saturday at noon), singer and pianist **T.J. Kuenster** (jazz, Saturday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **John Sherry** (rock and blues, Sunday at 11 a.m.). 415 W. Carmel Valley Road.

**Edgar’s Restaurant** — singer and guitarist **Scott Slaughter** (Friday at 5:30 p.m.). At Quail Lodge, 8205 Valley Greens Drive.

**Folktale Winery** — singer and guitarist **RJ DeMarco** (Friday and Monday at 4 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Rory Lynch** (Saturday at 4 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kito Rayburn** (Monday at 4 p.m.), singer and

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## WINE

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so far report that they replicated the process at home.

“It’s a great outcome,” she said.

### ■ Paella on the patio

The Quail & Olive (14 Del Fino Place, Carmel Valley) has some monthly events planned to stretch all the way into September. Always a great spot for culinary inspiration thanks to an array of regular and flavored olive oils and vinegars that are available for tasting, the shop will host a cheese charcuterie board workshop and a class on summertime salads, plus two paella parties on its patio.

“Resident epicurean” Camilla Mann — aka Culinary Cam — will lead the instructional sessions, including the two-hour paella demo and party scheduled for June 13 starting at 4 p.m.

In addition to a class in gathering the ingredients and getting the rice cooked “just so” for the famous Spanish

dish, there will be tapas, live music and local wines.

You can reserve a space for \$81.88, including ticketing fees, at [eventbrite.com](http://eventbrite.com), or check out the “Events” tab at [quailandolive.com](http://quailandolive.com) for a full schedule and links to purchase tickets.

### ■ Dust off those recipes

The Carmel Chamber of Commerce’s Great Bowls of Fire chili cookoff is approaching like summer fog at a pool party — but with more heat. It’ll be held Sunday, July 26, from 1 to 4 p.m. at Folktale Winery, 8940 Carmel Valley Road. In addition to the cooking contest — and probably arguments over whether beans are “authentic” — there’s also a margarita competition and live music.

Prizes will be awarded to the best pro team, the best amateur team, and the winning margarita makers. Registration fees are \$125 per group for chamber members and \$175 for nonmembers. General admission is \$50 for members and \$65 for everyone else.

Of course, it’s no fun without people to sample the finished products and vote on the best margaritas, so if you don’t want to enter the chili cookoff crucible, you can just buy a ticket to enjoy the finished products. Visit [carmelchamber.org](http://carmelchamber.org), click the “Events” tab, select “Chamber Events” and then scroll down and click on the cookoff icon to see the rules and learn more about attending.

*Elaine Hesser wrote this week’s column.*



A paella party is one of several monthly events scheduled for this summer at The Quail & Olive in Carmel Valley. Not only will guests get to taste the famous Spanish dish, they’ll learn to make it.



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guitarist **Greg Freeman** (Thursday at 4 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road.  
**Trailside Cafe — Boscoe's Brood** (rock and folk, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place.

■ **Monterey**

**A Taste of Monterey** — singer and guitarist **Jewel Arianna** (Friday at 5 p.m.). 700 Cannery Row.  
**Estéban Restaurant — The Monterey Jazz Regional All-Stars** (Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). In the Casa Munras Hotel, 700 Munras Ave.  
**Hyatt Regency Monterey** — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Reija Massey** (Friday at 7 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Scott Slaughter** (Saturday at 7 p.m.). 1 Old Golf Course Road.  
**InterContinental Hotel** — mandolinist **Dave Holodiloff** (jazz, Friday at 7 p.m.), guitarist **John Sherry** (rock and blues, Saturday at 7 p.m.), guitarist **Terrence Farrell** (Spanish, Sunday at 9 a.m.), guitarist **Glenn Bell** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 750 Cannery Row.  
**Midici Pizza — The Brian Stock Quartet** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.), **The Stu Reynolds Saxtet** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St.  
**Monterey Plaza Hotel** — pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and pianist **Scott Brown** (jazz and pop, Saturday at 6 p.m.), pianist **Gary Meek** (jazz, Sunday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Sabelle** (Monday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **Richard DeVinck** (classical, Tuesday

at 6 p.m.), singer and multi-instrumentalist **Bray** (Wednesday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **John Sherry** (rock and blues, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 400 Cannery Row.  
**Pearl Hour — The Zach Westfall Quartet** (jazz, Sunday at 8 p.m.). 214 Lighthouse Ave.  
**Sardine Factory** — singer and guitarist **David Conley** (Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Tuesday through Thursday at 6:30 p.m.), singer and pianist **T.J. Kuenster** (jazz, Sunday at 6 p.m.). 701 Wave St.  
**Sly McFly's — The New Wave Band** (rock, Saturday at 9 p.m.). 700 Cannery Row.

■ **Pacific Grove**

**Asilomar Conference Center — The Al James Band** (rock and r&b, Friday at 6 p.m.). 800 Asilomar Ave.  
**Il Vecchio Restaurant — Cena Jazz Trio** (Thursday at 6 p.m.). 110 Central Ave.  
**Julia's Vegetarian Restaurant** — singer and guitarist **Rags Rosenberg** (Friday at 7 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kevin Smith** (Saturday at 6 p.m.), **Andrea's Fault Duo** (jazz and pop, Monday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Holysea** (Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (Thursday at 6 p.m.). 1180 Forest Ave.  
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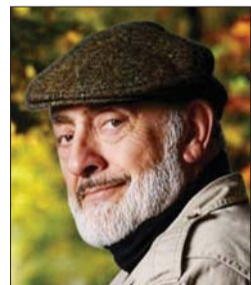
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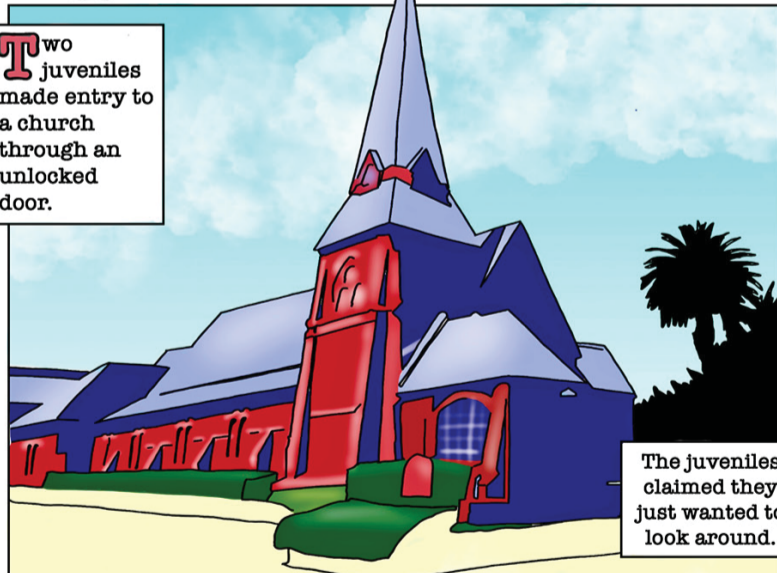
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## Police Log: Pacific Grove, July 27

**T**wo juveniles made entry to a church through an unlocked door.



The juveniles claimed they just wanted to look around.

**T**he pastor escorted the juveniles out of the church.



# PALENKE ARTS CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY

A HUB of creativity for people of all ages, Palenke Arts in Seaside celebrates its 10th anniversary with a free multicultural arts festival Saturday, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., in Laguna Grande Park.

The family-friendly festival will feature dance presentations, student art exhibits, a marketplace of local art, hands-on art activities, live music with rapper Ruby Ibarra and Plenazo Tribe, and much more.

"This festival is a celebration of everyone who has helped build Palenke Arts over the last 10 years — the artists, families, volunteers, students and supporters who

## Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

believe that culture matters," said executive director Juan L. Sánchez. "What began as a dream has become a place where culture lives, where artists gather and where community finds its voice."

The group was founded in 2015 by Sánchez and others who recognized the urgent need for providing multicultural arts and music programs in a safe and supportive space.

The park is located at 1249 Canyon Del Rey Blvd. palenkearts.org.

### Turning the page

A new show at the Cherry Center looks at the fine art of making books — or taking them apart to be repurposed elsewhere in the creative process.

Titled "Book/Art," the exhibit showcases the talents of Pamela Takigawa, Anna Rheim, Julia Nelson-Gal, Tracey Harris, Esther Siegel, Joy Colangelo, Susan Giacometti, Jamie Dagdigian, Robert Armstrong, Ingrid Brook-Kothlow and Raven Cook.

"This exhibition brings together 11 artists who have spent many years between them, making highly personal hand-stitched or handwritten books, books that chronicle family members in the process of dying or of being incarcerated; natural history books that open and unfold in unexpected ways or making art from the covers and pages of books: glued, collaged and painted over to create unique narratives, or folding book pages in specific ways, to make objects that look like teapots or scenes from a Busby Berkeley musical," according to the arts center, which is located at Fourth and Guadalupe.

A free "artist walk-through" is offered June 13 at 1 p.m. The show runs through June 28. carlcherrycenter.org

## LIVE

From page 49A

### ■ Pebble Beach

**The Inn at Spanish Bay — The Andy Weis Trio** (jazz, Friday, Saturday and Thursday at 7 p.m.). 2700 17 Mile Drive.

**The Lodge at Pebble Beach** — singer and guitarist **Rory Lynch** (Friday at 5 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Paul Behan** (Saturday at 5 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Fred McCarty** (Thursday at 5 p.m.). In the Terrace Lounge at 1700 17 Mile Drive.

### ■ Sand City

**Courtyard by Marriott** — guitarist **Glenn Bell** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.). 800 Morgans Way.

### ■ Seaside

**Deja Blue** — singer **Kumar Fyah** and others pay tribute to the late **Stephen "Cat" Coore**, the leader of Third World (reggae, Saturday at 4 p.m.). 500 Broadway.

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# The Carmel Pine Cone

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■ This week's cover property, located in Pebble Beach, is presented by Jeff Langham of Monterey Coast Realty. (See Page 2RE)

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# About the Cover

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# Real Estate Sales May 24 - 30

Escrows closed: 45  
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## Big Sur

**51404 Partington Ridge Road — \$1,895,000**  
 Steven and David Golob to Michael Gilson and Heather Engen  
 APN: 420-221-017

**47600 Coast Ridge Road — \$3,200,000**  
 Anne and William Burleigh, Thomas Kawley and Marijke Hartog to Colette Mayer  
 APN: 419-321-008

## Carmel

**793 Torres Street — \$1,800,000**  
 Ann Ertel to Melanie Bragg  
 APN: 010-084-012

**26181 Valley View Avenue — \$3,110,000**  
 Nancy Vidana to Thomas Murphy  
 APN: 009-403-023

**571 Viejo Road — \$3,371,000**  
 Edward and Jeanne Gavrin to Three Blue Jays LLC  
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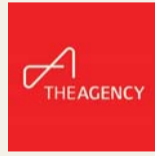
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**26187 Camino Real — \$6,150,000**  
Brian Dailey to Mark and Patricia Thompson  
APN: 009-393-010

## Carmel Highlands

**11 Yankee Point Drive — \$2,687,500**  
RGA Partners LLC to Toshiyuki and Hiroko Matsushima  
APN: 243-132-003



2927 17 Mile Drive, Pebble Beach — \$6,800,000



2931 Sloat Road, Pebble Beach — \$5,000,000

## Carmel Valley

**18 Laguna Robles — \$600,000**  
Stephen Weeks to Jeremy and Lisa Tuchsén  
APN: 189-543-018

## 148 Del Mesa Carmel — \$1,160,000

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### 94 Del Mesa Carmel — \$1,325,000

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APN: 015-445-014

### 13 Cantera Run — \$1,411,000

Royce and Marjorie Nicolaisen to Justin and Lauren Bennett  
APN: 239-011-023

### 9 La Rancheria — \$6,150,000

Dustin and Sarah Hurd to Jonathan and Kathryn Martin  
APN: 187-131-027

## Del Rey Oaks

### 112 Quail Run Court — \$671,000



109 Corral de Tierra Road, Highway 68 — \$2,650,000

Ronald and Maureen Soulis to Bradley and John Bidwell  
APN: 012-612-011

## Highway 68

### 317 Pasadera Court — \$932,500

Perry Silva to Ghassan and Molly Bachir



26181 Valley View Avenue, Carmel — \$3,110,000

APN: 173-075-003

### 109 Corral de Tierra Road — \$2,650,000

Kelley Cayton, Melodie Sorelle and Caron Barrett to John and Pamela Wilkinson  
APN: 161-452-023

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The Sea Haven LLC to Kathleen Schumacher  
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### 608 Carmel Avenue — \$553,000

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The Sea Haven LLC to Jedidiah and Kaitlyn Horca  
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9903ClubPlaceLane.com

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**OPEN SAT 1-3 PM**



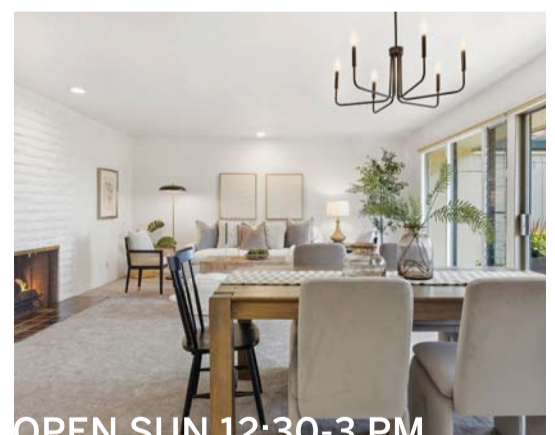
1099 David Avenue, Monterey

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**OPEN SUN 12:30-3 PM**

81 Del Mesa Carmel, Carmel

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**OPEN SUN 2-4 PM**

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**OPEN SAT & SUN 11-1 PM**

# A kingdom almost brought down by yesterday's sweatpants

‘I CAN’T find my keys’ freezes me in place as if I’m watching every aspect of my life simultaneously lock me out. I carry three keys: car, house and mailbox — the holy trinity of modern existence — all on one ring, because I am, apparently, a man

who likes to lose everything at once. Yes, I have spares, but using them left me with no emergency reserve. Not a comfortable feeling.

There was no time to regret all the decisions that brought me to this point.

That would come later. Instead, panic set in with impressive speed. I was late for an appointment, which meant I could not do the kind of methodical, room-by-room search that my rapidly unraveling dignity required. Instead, I performed that ancient frantic ritual known as the desperately repeated pocket-pat-down. Somewhere in the lizard part of my brain, I genuinely believed the keys might materialize if, like the kids in “Peter Pan,” I just believed hard enough. I grabbed the spares and left for my appointment defeated, wishing someone had bred a key-sniffing dog.

### Remarkable consistency

I should pause here and mention a friend who, for as long as I have known him, has been misplacing his keys with a consistency that borders on performance art. I have watched this with the quietly smug satisfaction of someone who would never do such a thing. How can an adult be so careless? I have a hand-crafted wooden bowl specifically for my keys. I have a system. I am not that person — but I am. I owe him an apology for my insensitive thoughts.

After returning home, I began the real search that happens when time is no longer a factor and only wounded pride remains. I retraced steps. I checked with our homeowners association’s service desk — “Has anyone turned in a set of keys?” — wearing a carefully composed expression of someone pretending this sort of thing doesn’t happen to them regularly.

The recliner cushion was removed with the frenzy of a man who’s lost his mind. The washer and dryer were investigated like crime scenes. I checked the wooden bowl where the keys live — where they have always lived, where they were clearly not — no fewer than four times, each visit somehow more optimistic than the last. My

desk became an archaeological dig site. The car was searched as though I was looking for evidence rather than keys. Drawers were opened with the grim determination of a man who knows, absolutely, they’re not in there but opens them anyway.

The mailbox key has my unit number

## Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVASE

etched into it, a detail that transformed my missing keys from a minor inconvenience into a mildly unsettling security situation — my address essentially dangling on a ring somewhere out in the world, waiting to be found by someone far more organized than me. That alone sent me down the rabbit hole of front door locks, rekeying, replacing, upgrading.

It’s the way you go down all rabbit holes, innocently at first, and then suddenly it’s an hour later, and I’m reading reviews of smart locks on websites, wondering how a missing key became a home security audit.

This all began on a Sunday when I didn’t leave the house or have any reason to reach for my keys. Which meant I didn’t even discover the loss until Monday, Memorial Day morning — a holiday when every locksmith, every person equipped to help, was closed, unavailable and far more sensible than I.

### How much?

That’s when I began pricing replacement car keys. This has become a luxury business. The car dealer quoted a figure that made me briefly consider whether I needed a car at all.

A replacement key fob, programmed and cut, approaches a number that would

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81 Del Mesa Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 293-3391		
<b>\$795,000</b>	<b>2bd 2ba</b>	<b>Su 12-2</b>
114 Hacienda Carmel Compass 915-9710		
<b>\$828,000</b>	<b>2bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa 11-1 Su 12-2</b>
262 Hacienda Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 917-9886		
<b>\$869,000</b>	<b>2bd 2ba</b>	<b>Su 12-2</b>
101 Hacienda Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 277-6020		
<b>\$955,000</b>	<b>2bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa 2-4</b>
24501 Via Mar Monte, Unit 77 Compass 915-8010		
<b>\$1,119,000</b>	<b>2bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa 12:30-3</b>
183 Del Mesa Carmel Sotheby's Int'l RE 293-3391		
<b>\$1,195,000</b>	<b>3bd 3ba</b>	<b>Sa 2-4</b>
83 High Meadow Ln Coldwell Banker Realty 785-248-8248		
<b>\$1,249,000</b>	<b>2bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3</b>
130 Del Mesa Carmel Coldwell Banker Realty 917-3966		
<b>\$1,595,000</b>	<b>2bd 3ba</b>	<b>Sa 11:30-2 Su 12-2</b>
9903 Club Place Lane Sotheby's Int'l RE 915-6391 / 915-8688		
<b>\$1,690,000</b>	<b>2bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa Su 12-4</b>
9542 Maple Court Compass 236-5290		
<b>\$1,750,000</b>	<b>3bd 2ba</b>	<b>Su 1-3</b>
25636 Morse Dr Compass 238-2022		
<b>\$1,792,000</b>	<b>4bd 3ba</b>	<b>Sa 12-2 Su 11-1</b>
27460 Loma Del Rey The Ruiz Group, Keller Williams 620-2243		
<b>\$2,099,000</b>	<b>3bd 3ba</b>	<b>Su 2-4:30</b>
28015 Quail Ct Carmel Realty 277-1040		
<b>\$2,199,000</b>	<b>3bd 3.5ba</b>	<b>Su 12-4</b>
28088 Barn Court Carmel Realty 595-0676		
<b>\$2,895,000</b>	<b>2bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa Su 12-3</b>
Santa Fe 4 SE of Ocean Ave Sotheby's Int'l RE 238-8116		
<b>\$2,895,000</b>	<b>3bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3</b>
8022 River Place Carmel Realty 717-7156		
<b>\$2,899,000</b>	<b>3bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Sa Su 2-4</b>
3017 Lasuen Dr Coldwell Banker Realty 884-3919		
<b>\$2,980,000</b>	<b>3-4bd 3.5ba</b>	<b>Su 1-3</b>
24694 Dolores St Cheryl Heyermann 595-5045		
<b>\$3,095,000</b>	<b>3bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3</b>
24785 Santa Rita St Sotheby's Int'l RE 224-6891		
<b>\$3,479,000</b>	<b>3bd 3ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3</b>
Crespi 2 NW Flanders Compass 915-6187		
<b>\$3,699,000</b>	<b>4bd 3.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-4</b>
142 Carmel Riviera Drive Truszkowski Freedman & Assoc. 250-3560		
<b>\$3,950,000</b>	<b>3bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3 Su 2-4</b>
Casanova 3 SE of 4th Avenue Compass 320-0719		
<b>\$4,290,000</b>	<b>4bd 3.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 10-2 0</b>
Mission 4 NE of 10th Sotheby's Int'l RE 877-0389		
<b>\$10,999,000</b>	<b>3bd 4ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-4</b>
104 Yankee Point Dr Coldwell Banker Realty 206-0129		
<b>\$12,500,000</b>	<b>4bd 4.5ba</b>	<b>Sa Su 1-3</b>
26314 Ocean View Avenue Truszkowski Freedman & Assoc. 250-3560		

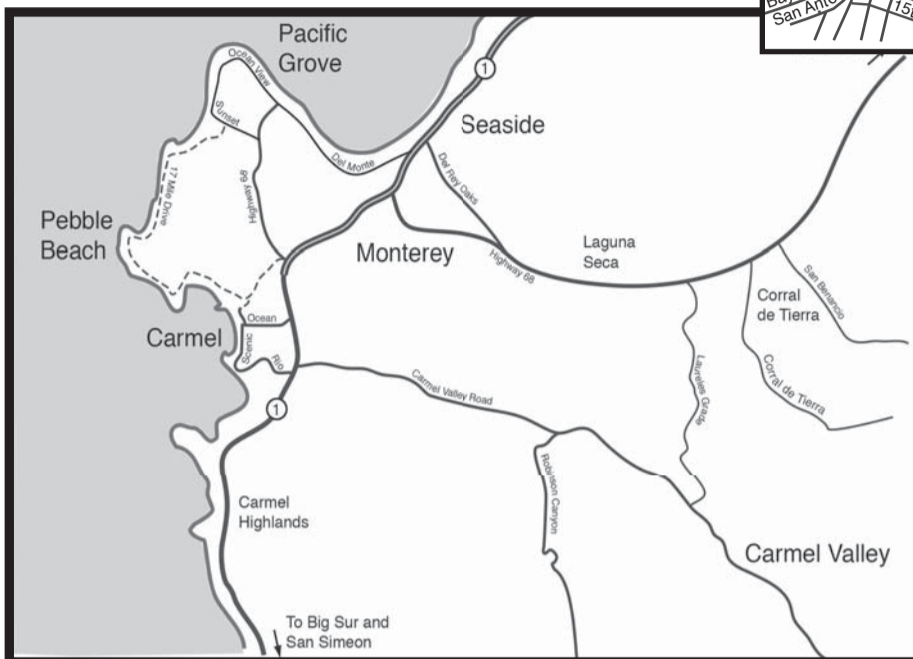
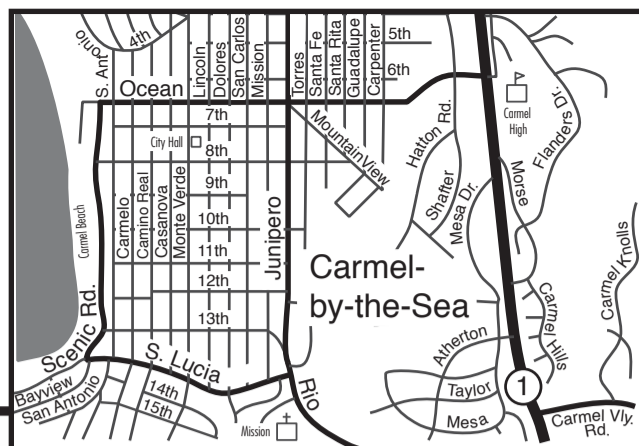
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**CARMEL VALLEY**

<b>\$849,000</b>	<b>2bd 1ba</b>	<b>Sa 12-2</b>
65 Hitchcock Canyon Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 262-2301		
<b>\$1,225,000</b>	<b>2bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 12-2</b>
13330 Middle Canyon Road Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 236-7363		

# This Weekend's OPEN HOUSES

June 5 - 7



**PACIFIC GROVE**

<b>\$1,195,000</b>	<b>3bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3</b>
8 Country Club Gate Sotheby's Int'l RE Pacific Grove 915-4093		
<b>\$1,249,000</b>	<b>3bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa Su 12-2</b>
665 Pine Ave Coldwell Banker Realty Pacific Grove 717-7815		
<b>\$1,400,000</b>	<b>2bd 1ba</b>	<b>Sa Su 1-3</b>
215 Lobos Ave Coldwell Banker Realty Pacific Grove 596-6118 / 594-6158		
<b>\$1,560,000</b>	<b>2bd 2ba</b>	<b>Fr 2-4 Sa 1-3 Su 12-3</b>
308 14th Street Sotheby's Int'l RE Pacific Grove 402-2884		
<b>\$1,595,000</b>	<b>4bd 3ba</b>	<b>Sa Su 1-3</b>
219 Willow St Compass Pacific Grove 238-1380		
<b>\$1,695,000</b>	<b>2bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa 2-4</b>
801 Junipero Ave Sotheby's Int'l RE Pacific Grove 869-6117		
<b>\$1,750,000</b>	<b>3bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Su 1-3</b>
512 12th Street Sotheby's Int'l RE Pacific Grove 737-0046		
<b>\$3,199,000</b>	<b>3bd 4ba</b>	<b>Sa Su 2-4</b>
111 12th St Sotheby's Int'l RE Pacific Grove 521-3131		

**PEBBLE BEACH**

<b>\$899,000</b>	<b>2bd,2ba</b>	<b>Su 1-4</b>
17 Shepherds Knoll Carmel Realty Pebble Beach 320-6801		
<b>\$900,000</b>	<b>2bd 2ba</b>	<b>Su 12-2</b>
21 Shepherds Knoll Compass Pebble Beach 236-5290		
<b>\$2,350,000</b>	<b>4bd 3ba</b>	<b>Sa Su 1-3</b>
1171 Chaparral Road Monterey Coast Realty Pebble Beach 277-5821		
<b>\$2,495,000</b>	<b>4bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa 2-4 Su 1-3</b>
3113 Sloat Rd Sotheby's Int'l RE Pebble Beach 200-5007 / 277-3371		
<b>\$3,550,000</b>	<b>4bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 1:30-3:30 Su 11-1</b>
3035 Sherman Road Carmel Realty Pebble Beach 650-759-4193		
<b>\$4,995,000</b>	<b>4bd 5.5ba</b>	<b>Su 1-4</b>
3198 Del Cierro Rd Coldwell Banker Realty Pebble Beach 206-0129		
<b>\$4,999,999</b>	<b>4bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 11-1 Su 3-5</b>
1633 Sonado Road Monterey Coast Realty Pebble Beach 460-6864		
<b>\$9,500,000</b>	<b>5bd 5.5ba</b>	<b>Sa Su 11:30-1:30</b>
3159 Stevenson Dr Coldwell Banker Realty Pebble Beach 356-8123		
<b>\$10,900,000</b>	<b>4bd 5.5ba</b>	<b>Sa Su 2-4</b>
31 Poppy Ln Coldwell Banker Realty Pebble Beach 356-8123		

**PRUNEDALE**

<b>\$1,175,000</b>	<b>3bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa 2-4</b>
8607 Berta Canyon Court Sotheby's Int'l RE Prunedale 214-2250		

**ROYAL OAKS**

<b>\$2,595,000</b>	<b>3bd 4ba</b>	<b>Sa 12-3</b>
67 Tucker Road Sotheby's Int'l RE Royal Oaks 710-1655		

**SALINAS**

<b>\$998,000</b>	<b>5bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 11-1</b>
17554 Sugarmill Rd Sotheby's Int'l RE Salinas 236-7251		
<b>\$1,175,000</b>	<b>3bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa 2-4</b>
8607 Berta Canyon Ct Sotheby's Int'l RE Salinas 214-2250		
<b>\$1,395,000</b>	<b>4bd 3ba</b>	<b>Sa 2-4</b>
14390 Mountain Quail Road Sotheby's Int'l RE Salinas 236-7251		
<b>\$1,499,000</b>	<b>3bd 3.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 12-3</b>
228 Pine Canyon Coldwell Banker, Gay Dales Inc. Salinas 320-3001		

**SEASIDE**

<b>\$765,000</b>	<b>3bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3</b>
1313 Harding St Sotheby's Int'l RE Seaside 595-9291		
<b>\$829,999</b>	<b>3bd 1.5ba</b>	<b>Su 1-3</b>
1233 Hilby Avenue Monterey Coast Realty Seaside 277-5256		
<b>\$938,000</b>	<b>3bd 2ba</b>	<b>Fr 11-2</b>
1140 Kimberly Ct. Sotheby's Int'l RE Seaside 238-1984		
<b>\$995,000</b>	<b>4bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Su 12-3</b>
2050 Mendocino Street Sotheby's Int'l RE Seaside 521-4118		

<b>\$1,385,000</b>	<b>3bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Su 12-2</b>
134 Laurel Dr Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Realty 241-1264		
<b>\$1,600,000</b>	<b>3bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Su 12-2</b>
26135 Laureles Grade Sotheby's Int'l RE Carmel Valley 521-5682		
<b>\$1,895,000</b>	<b>4bd 3ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3:30</b>
760 Country Club Compass Carmel Valley 574-9470		
<b>\$1,995,000</b>	<b>2bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 12-4</b>
9 Story Road Carmel Valley Coldwell Banker Realty 402-4394		
<b>\$1,998,000</b>	<b>4bd 3ba</b>	<b>Sa 2-4</b>
20 Marquard Rd Coldwell Banker Realty Carmel Valley 241-1264		
<b>\$2,050,000</b>	<b>4bd 3.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 11:30-1:30</b>
31315 Via La Naranga Coldwell Banker Realty Carmel Valley 241-1264		
<b>\$2,440,000</b>	<b>4bd 4ba</b>	<b>Sa 12-2</b>
26245 Rinconada Dr Compass Carmel Valley 236-5290		
<b>\$2,695,000</b>	<b>3bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3 Su 2-4</b>
46 Middle Canyon Road Carmel Valley Sotheby's Int'l RE 404-401-8647 / 238-0464		
<b>\$3,200,000</b>	<b>3bd 3ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3 Su 2:30-4:30</b>
15475 Via Los Tulares Sotheby's Int'l RE Carmel Valley 915-8688		

**DEL REY OAKS**

<b>\$558,000</b>	<b>1bd 1ba</b>	<b>Fr Sa 3-5</b>
121 Quail Run Court Sotheby's Int'l RE Del Rey Oaks 917-1631		

**MARINA**

<b>\$895,000</b>	<b>3bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 2-4</b>
5003 3rd Avenue Sotheby's Int'l RE Marina 915-0265		
<b>\$937,000</b>	<b>3bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 2-4</b>
2785 Telegraph Boulevard Monterey Coast Realty Marina 238-0653		
<b>\$1,230,000</b>	<b>3bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Sa Su 11-1</b>
2720 Parkview Way Coldwell Banker Realty Marina 884-3919		
<b>\$1,239,000</b>	<b>3bd 2ba</b>	<b>Su 2-4</b>
482 Lassen Way Sotheby's Int'l RE Marina 682-0126		
<b>\$1,395,000</b>	<b>3bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 2-4</b>
266 Sandy Gulch Drive Monterey Coast Realty Marina 238-0653		
<b>\$1,795,000</b>	<b>5bd 4ba</b>	<b>Su 2-4</b>
600 Bluffs Sotheby's Int'l RE Marina 293-3668		
<b>\$1,795,000</b>	<b>4bd 3ba</b>	<b>Su 12-3</b>
585 Santa Lucia Way Monterey Coast Realty Marina 578-7426		
<b>\$2,399,000</b>	<b>4bd 3.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 12-2</b>
2409 Schooner Avenue Monterey Coast Realty Marina 277-1224		

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**MONTEREY**

<b>\$498,000</b>	<b>1bd 1ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3</b>
820 Casanova Avenue #108 Sotheby's Int'l RE Monterey 277-8622		
<b>\$599,000</b>	<b>1bd 1ba</b>	<b>Sa 11-1</b>
300 Glenwood Circle, #258 Sotheby's Int'l RE Monterey 915-0265		
<b>\$799,000</b>	<b>2bd 1ba</b>	<b>Sa Su 11-1</b>
1099 David Avenue Sotheby's Int'l RE Monterey 521-3131		
<b>\$849,000</b>	<b>3bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3</b>
1360 Josselyn Canyon Road 40 Monterey Coast Realty Monterey 717-7959		
<b>\$850,000</b>	<b>3bd 2ba</b>	<b>Su 1-3</b>
2 Portola Avenue Sotheby's Int'l RE Monterey 277-8622		
<b>\$929,000</b>	<b>2bd 1ba</b>	<b>Su 2-4</b>
515 Dickman Avenue Sotheby's Int'l RE Monterey 200-5007		
<b>\$1,298,000</b>	<b>3bd 3ba</b>	<b>Sa 1-3 Su 11-1</b>
1180 Salinas Hwy The Ruiz Group, Keller Williams Monterey 258-9150		
<b>\$1,350,000</b>	<b>2bd 2ba</b>	<b>Sa Su 12-3</b>
691 Fernwood Ave Sotheby's Int'l RE Monterey 297-9805 / 238-8029		
<b>\$1,697,500</b>	<b>4bd 2.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 11-1</b>
3 Forest Rise Pl Sotheby's Int'l RE Monterey 869-6117		
<b>\$1,750,000</b>	<b>3bd 4.5ba</b>	<b>Sa 12-2</b>
947 W Franklin St Sotheby's Int'l RE Monterey 915-2800		
<b>\$2,125,000</b>	<b>4bd 4ba</b>	<b>Sa 2-4</b>
6 Wyndemere Vale Compass Monterey 236-5290		
<b>\$2,450,000</b>	<b>3bd 3ba</b>	<b>Su 2-5</b>
150 Littlefield Road Sotheby's Int'l RE Monterey 877-0389		

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## POLICE LOG

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### FRIDAY, MAY 15

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Found necklace at Mission and Sixth.

**Carmel Valley:** Suspicious circumstances were reported on White Oaks Lane.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Road-rage incident on Rio Road led to a continued altercation. The involved 61-year-old male was arrested for making threats, along with an outstanding arrest warrant. Issued notices to appear for both and released.

### SATURDAY, MAY 16

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Damage to private property at an event in a public space at Ocean and Mission.

**Pacific Grove:** A male was warned about trespassing at a private residence on Sunset Drive.

**Pacific Grove:** Officers dispatched to a fraud incident that occurred at the 100 block of Third Street. The reporting party/victim was contacted and is providing further information regarding credit card fraud and identity theft. The suspect is still outstanding.

**Big Sur:** Report of two individuals involved in an altercation on Plaskett Ridge Road.

**Carmel area:** Deputies investigated the report of a deceased person on Highway 1.

**Pebble Beach:** An unattended 15-month-old was discovered in distress by hotel staff on 17 Mile Drive. Father was found at the bar, mother was at the spa.

**Carmel Valley:** A physical altercation

was documented on Country Club Drive involving two 18-year-old males.

### SUNDAY, MAY 17

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Investigated suspicious circumstances at Camino Real and Eighth. Information only.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Found wallet at Lincoln and Ocean returned to owner via courier.

**Pacific Grove:** Municipal code violations resulting in citations for feeding wildlife on Ocean View Boulevard.

**Carmel Valley:** Deputies responded to a past-tense theft on East Carmel Valley Road involving a 70-year-old female victim.

**Carmel Valley:** Deputies responded to a DBF (dead body found) on Hitchcock Road.

### MONDAY, MAY 18

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report taken at Scenic and Ocean for a lost wallet and international driver's license.

**Pacific Grove:** Juveniles on bicycles ding-dong ditching on Caledonia Street. Juveniles detained and parents notified.

**Pacific Grove:** Bicycle found at Country Club Gate Center and booked for safekeeping.

**Pacific Grove:** Stolen vehicle from Light-house Avenue was found by the owner in the 1800 block of Sunset Drive. No suspects have been located.

**Pacific Grove:** Subject on David Avenue was placed on a mental health evaluation hold.

**Pacific Grove:** Medical call on Melrose Avenue.

**Carmel Valley:** Deputies conducted a

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# GERVASE

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have represented a respectable monthly payment on a Lamborghini, a car I will never own, but with which I apparently share a parts budget.

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particular clarity that is equal parts exhaustion and unexpected lucidity. And I began, quietly and methodically, to piece together the previous two days like a man reconstructing a crime he himself had committed.

Sunday. Never left the house. Relaxed. And then, rising slowly from somewhere beneath the fog, sweatpants.

A pair I almost never wear. Reached for on a lazy Sunday, then forgotten in a corner with the casual indifference of a man who clearly had no idea what he'd done. I got

up, padded across the dark room, found them, reached into the pocket — and there they were. Car. House. Mailbox. The holy trinity, reunited, completely unrepentant, making a taunting jingling noise. Nonetheless, I was awash in the specific relief and embarrassment that only comes from forgetting what I wore yesterday.

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# SHERIFF

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welfare check on Oak Court.

**Carmel area:** Deputies responded to suspicious circumstances at Carmel High School.

**Carmel area:** Deputies responded to an individual on Rio Road making suicidal threats, resulting in a W&I 5150 mental-health hold.

## TUESDAY, MAY 19

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** No calls to report.

**Pacific Grove:** Municipal code violations on Ocean View Boulevard at Asilomar Boulevard resulting in three citations for feeding wildlife.

**Pacific Grove:** Found property on a public roadway on Grand Avenue. Booked for safekeeping.

**Pebble Beach:** Deputies investigated a

trespassing complaint on 17 Mile Drive.

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Traffic stop at San Antonio and Santa Lucia for a vehicle displaying false evidence of registration found the 36-year-old driver to have a suspended license for DUI. Vehicle towed.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Female lost her wallet while visiting and needed law enforcement assistance to facilitate travel back home. Identification verified via U.S. driver's license and additional federal identification documents.

**Pacific Grove:** Fire at a school on David Avenue.

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

**Pacific Grove:** Municipal code violations on Ocean View Boulevard resulting in two citations for feeding wildlife.

**Pacific Grove:** Officers responded to the 1000 block of David Avenue on a report of a white substance that was packaged inside

of a plastic vial found on school grounds. The party that located the substance was observed by ambulance on scene and opted to self-transport to the hospital at a later time. The owner of the found property is not known.

**Pacific Grove:** Vehicles on Sunset Drive and on Monarch Lane were marked for 72-hour parking.

**Carmel Valley:** Holman Road resident reported a theft.

## THURSDAY, MAY 21

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Information at Rio Road and Santa Lucia Avenue regarding a subject on parole.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vehicle vs. parked vehicle on Junipero.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Lost backpack at Del Mar and Scenic. Requesting report for insurance purposes.

**Pacific Grove:** At approximately 1400 hours, a grand theft occurred at the 1200 block of Forest Avenue, resulting in approx-

imately \$1,200 of stolen goods. The victim was not injured, nor did the victim know the suspect. No suspect information.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Information report re: traffic stop at Rio Road and Highway 1 led to the warrant arrest of a 35-year-old female.

**Pacific Grove:** Attempted murder arrest of a 50-year-old male on Moreland Avenue. He was booked into Monterey County Jail.

**Pacific Grove:** Officers responded to a fraud detail at the 600 block of Spruce Avenue. The unknown suspect stole \$75,000 from a victim over a month time frame. The suspect has not been located.

**Pacific Grove:** Ammunition was surrendered by a 13th Street resident for destruction.

**Pacific Grove:** At approximately 1100 hours, a physical altercation occurred between subjects at the 300 block of Grand Avenue. The victim refused medical treatment and requested the juvenile subject relocate for the time being. All charges will be for-

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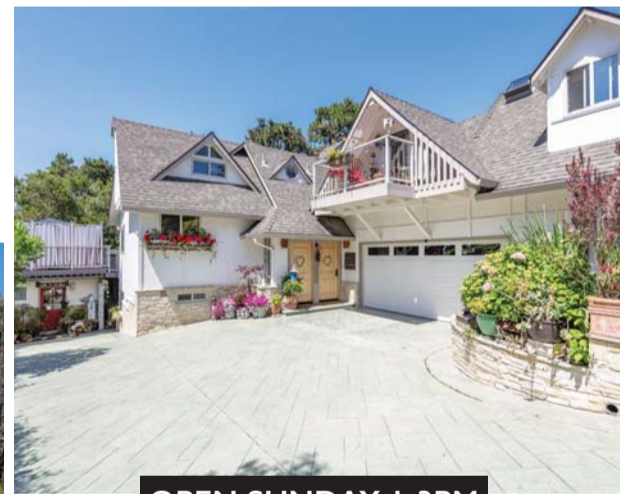


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warded to the district attorney's office for further review.

**Pacific Grove:** At about 0801 hours, an officer was dispatched to a report of a residential burglary on Bayview Avenue.

## FRIDAY, MAY 22

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vehicle was towed from Carpenter and Fifth for expired registration. Driver cited and released.

**Pacific Grove:** A traffic collision occurred at the 100 block of Central Avenue. No parties injured. Both vehicles were towed from the scene.

**Pacific Grove:** Found property on Sunset Drive was turned in to the police department and is being held for safekeeping.

**Pacific Grove:** At 1300 hours, found property on Forest Avenue was turned in to the police department and is being held for safekeeping.

**Pacific Grove:** Ammunition surrendered by a Kenet Place resident for destruction.

## SATURDAY, MAY 23

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** No calls to report.

**Pacific Grove:** Found property on Forest Avenue was turned in to the police department and is being held for safekeeping.

**Pacific Grove:** At approximately 1300 hours, officers responded to a report of a suicidal subject on the 800 block of Sinex Avenue. The reporting party/victim told dispatch that he wanted to kill himself. The subject was contacted. It was determined that the subject was having suicidal ideations. He was transported to Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula to have his mental health evaluated.

**Pacific Grove:** Officers responded to a dog bite near the 100 block of 19th Street. All parties contacted on scene. The victim received medical treatment and was released on scene. Pacific Grove community service officers will continue this investigation.

**Pebble Beach:** Suspicious circumstances on Club Road.

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Registrant(s):  
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Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.  
MEDIA PRO LLC  
S/ NAOMI TOVAR BEDOLLA, MANAGING MEMBER,  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/26/2026.  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20260919

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
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Registered Owner(s):  
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Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on NOT APPLICABLE  
S/ JOSE GUADALUPE PACHECO SILVA  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
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MELODY WYNNE HIERLING, 426 Calle Principal, Suite 203A, Monterey, CA 93940.  
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Registrant commenced to transact business

under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 1, 2026.  
S/Melody Hierling  
Date signed: May 6, 2026  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
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Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.:  
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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 March 5, 2026.  
S/Antoine F. Thomas, Treasurer  
Date: April 28, 2026  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20261042

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State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
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S/Heriberto Solis Vargas, Managing Member  
Date: May 13, 2026  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
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THE ROSE BOOKS & OBSCURITIES LLC, 136 Bonifacio Place, Monterey, CA 93940.  
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.  
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S/Ernest Rodriguez, Manager  
Date: April 15, 2026  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20260924

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20261017

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20261039

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S/Alan Uriel Palma Juarez  
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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 Nov. 18, 2016.  
S/Cristina Lopez, CEO  
Date: April 29, 2026  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
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County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY  
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.:  
831 INC, 251B Pearl Street, Monterey, CA 93940.  
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 Oct. 12, 2007.  
S/Gyanendra Lama, President  
Date: April 17, 2026  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 17, 2026.  
Publication Dates: May 22, 29, June 5, 12, 2026 (PC 545)

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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE** TS No. **CA-26-1034498-CL** Order No.: **260033013-CA-VOI YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 2/1/2020. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.** A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, or cash equivalent if deemed acceptable to the trustee, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. **BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): CHRISTOPHER ALLEN THOMAS, TRUSTEE OF THE CHRIS THOMAS TRUST, DATED JANUARY 9, 2020** Recorded: **2/7/2020** as **Instrument No. 2020006513** and modified as per Modification Agreement recorded **2/12/2024** as **Instrument No. 2024004735** of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **MONTEREY** County, California; Date of Sale: **6/30/2026** at **10:00 AM** Place of Sale: **At the Main Entrance of the Monterey County Administration Building, 168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas CA 93901** Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$2,424,162.87** The purported property address is: **28 POTRERO TRL, CARMEL, CA 93923** Assessor's Parcel No. : **239-111-009-000** All bidders, at the date, time, and place of the scheduled sale, will be required to show satisfactory support to the auctioneer of their ability to pay the amount they intend to bid, unless arrangements have been made with the trustee prior to the scheduled sale. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call **800-280-2832** for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this internet website <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: **CA-26-1034498-CL**. 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 **866-645-7711**, or visit this internet website <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: **CA-26-1034498-CL** 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. **NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE OWNER-OCCUPANT:** Any prospective owner-occupant as defined in Section 2924m of the California Civil Code who is the last and highest bidder at the trustee's sale shall provide the required affidavit or declaration of eligibility to the auctioneer at the trustee's sale or shall have it delivered to QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION by 5 p.m. on the next business day following the trustee's sale at the address set forth in the below signature block. **NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE POST-SALE OVER BIDDERS:** For post-sale information in accordance with Section 2924m(e) of the California Civil Code, use file number CA-26-1034498-CL and call (866) 645-7711 or login to: <http://www.qualityloan.com>. The above statutorily mandated notices to Tenant, Prospective Owner-Occupant, and Prospective Post-Sale Over Bidders are brief summaries of what may be required under Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. Compliance with all relevant provisions will be required. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. Date: **QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION 2763 Camino Del Rio S San Diego, CA 92108 866-645-7711** FOR NON SALE information only Sale Line: **800-280-2832** Or Login to: <http://www.qualityloan.com> Post-Sale Information (CCC 2924m(e)): (866) 645-7711 Reinstatement or Payoff Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318 QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION TS No.: **CA-26-1034498-CL** IDSPub #0314932 5/29/2026 6/5/2026 6/12/2026

Publication dates: May 22, 29, June 5, 2026 (PC542)



Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Carmel Area Wastewater District will hold a public hearing to consider and adopt the Fiscal Year 2026/27 Final Budget at its next Regular Board meeting:

**Date: Thursday, June 25, 2026**  
**Time: 9:00 a.m.**

Location:  
Carmel Area Wastewater District Office  
3945 Rio Road  
Carmel, CA 93922

Virtual Participation (via Zoom):  
Visit: <https://www.cawd.org/2026-06-25-board-of-directors-meeting>  
Webinar ID: 851 2385 9028  
Passcode: 989291  
Dial-in: (669) 900-9128


At this meeting, the Board will publicly discuss and consider approval of the FY 2026/27 Final Budget.

The complete proposed budget documents will be available on or before June 15, 2026 at: <https://www.cawd.org/current-year-budget>

Members of the public may participate virtually and be heard regarding any item in the proposed budget or the inclusion of additional items.

All proposals for revisions—whether written or oral—must be submitted to the District Board Clerk prior to the close of the public hearing.

Published June 5th & 12, 2026 Publication dates: June 5 & 12, 2026 (PC612)



**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY/NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE CARMEL WOODS AND PESCADERO ROAD SEWER MAIN REHABILITATION PROJECT**

In accordance with §15072 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, this notice is to inform the public that the Carmel Area Wastewater District (CAWD) has completed an Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS-MND) for the Carmel Woods and Pescadero Rd. Sewer Main Rehabilitation Project (Project). The pipeline alignment is not on a list of hazardous materials sites enumerated under §65962.5 of the Government Code.

**Project Title:** Carmel Woods and Pescadero Sewer Main Rehabilitation Project

**Project Location:** Unincorporated Monterey County and City of Carmel-by-the-Sea, Pescadero Road and Carmel Woods Neighborhood

**Comment Period:** June 1, 2026 to July 6, 2026

**Lead Agency:** Carmel Area Wastewater District (CAWD)

**Contact Person:** Jeff Bandy, P.E., Ph.D., Principal Engineer  
3945 Rio Road, Carmel, CA 93922  
(831) 257-0436

**Project Description:** The Project is located on two sites in a residential area located primarily within unincorporated Monterey County, with a small portion of the Project occurring within the northern limits of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea. The Pescadero Road component of the Project would consist of constructing a new sewer main in Pescadero Road and abandoning a portion of the existing sewer main in the hillside located behind nearby residential connections. The Carmel Woods component of the Project consists of the replacement and/or rehabilitation of approximately 14,850 LF of existing deteriorated 6-inch diameter vitrified clay pipe gravity sewer main with new polyvinyl chloride or high-density polyethylene sewer mains or installation of a lining system. The majority of the sewer mains would be replaced and/or rehabilitated along the existing alignments where feasible. However, several sewer segments would be realigned to improve ease of maintenance.

Replacing and rehabilitating the damaged sewer mains at the Pescadero Road and Carmel Woods sites is necessary to continue to provide reliable service to the District's customers and minimize the potential for sewer spills in the future. The rehabilitated sewer main would continue to be used to convey wastewater for District customers located along Pescadero Road, whose service laterals directly connect to the sewer main to be replaced, while the majority of existing flows to this sewer main would be redirected to the new sewer main.

**FINDINGS/DETERMINATION:**  
CAWD has prepared a Draft IS-MND for the proposed project and has determined that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment. CAWD will therefore consider adoption of the IS-MND for this project.

**PUBLIC REVIEW COMMENTS:**  
Any written comments on the IS-MND should be sent to the attention of Jeff Bandy and must be received by 5:00 PM on July 6, 2026. Written comments may be submitted via mail to 3945 Rio Road, Carmel, California 93923 or via email to [downstream@cawd.org](mailto:downstream@cawd.org). Copies of the Draft IS-MND are available for review at the offices of CAWD, 3945 Rio Road, Carmel, California 93923 during normal office hours (8:00 AM to 5:00 PM), and at [www.cawd.org](http://www.cawd.org)

Publication dates: June 5, 2026 (PC610)

# TRANSACTIONS

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## Pacific Grove

### 9 Marine Street — \$500,000

Catherine Bonnici to Nancy Grech  
APN: 006-083-001

### 660 Mermaid Avenue — \$500,000

Catherine Bonnici to Nancy Grech  
APN: 006-083-002

### 1114 Miles Avenue — \$911,000

Carol McCarthy to Larissa Cohen  
APN: 007-583-028

### 667 Ocean View Blvd. — \$1,000,000

Nancy Grech to Catherine Bonnici  
APN: 006-081-007

### 802 Brentwood Court — \$1,150,000

Therese Adams to Aaron and Kendall Schomberg  
APN: 007-701-005

### 1317 Funston Avenue — \$1,152,000

Lorene Rodrock to NWBR  
APN: 007-567-022

### 360 Central Avenue — \$1,250,000

Annamarie and John Newton to 77Five Central LLC  
APN: 006-218-006



26187 Camino Real, Carmel — \$6,150,000



47600 Coast Ridge Road, Big Sur — \$3,200,000

### 860 Sunset Drive — \$1,250,000

Christian Degueudre and Claudia Angelelli to Timothy Spackman and Megan Danley  
APN: 006-633-012

### 14 Glen Lake Drive — \$1,300,000

Ginger Chih to Scott Comiso and Sandra Blum  
APN: 007-612-058

See **MORE SALES** page 18RE

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## Pacific Grove (cont'd)

### 1136 Del Monte Blvd. — \$1,700,000

Pamela Davis and Frances Seija to David Harbison and James Crook  
APN: 006-041-008

### 61 Companion Way — \$1,780,000

Elliott Hazen to Stacy Morford  
APN: 006-049-004

## Pebble Beach

### 4083 Los Altos Drive — \$1,925,000

Jenny Silva to Cemmm Partners LLC  
APN: 008-121-008

### 2931 Sloat Road — \$5,000,000

Jeff and Sara Tamayo to Eric and Lan Takahashi  
APN: 007-221-001

### 2927 17 Mile Drive — \$6,800,000

Kerry and Mikel Gordon to Esme Investment LLC  
APN: 007-231-006

## Seaside

### 1212 Palm Avenue — \$749,000

John, Nicholas and Marilyn Hazdovac to Jose Diaz  
APN: 012-194-003

### 17727 Reynolds Street — \$815,000

Lauren and Gunnar Dulle to Klaus and Julia Brunner  
APN: 031-167-086

### 1330 Flores Street — \$864,000

Cameron Jackson and Alexandra Stampher to Tara Banjanin  
APN: 012-287-013

### 14454 Lee Avenue — \$1,137,500

Michael Swift to Ruminder Samra and Ramandeep Mehmi  
APN: 031-165-041

### 979 Hilby Avenue — \$2,400,000

John and Amy Sommatino and Carolyn Wilkins to 979 Hilby LLC  
APN: 012-362-032

### 1643 Fairway Drive — \$2,490,500



571 Viejo Road, Carmel — \$3,371,000

Shea Homes LP to Brian Nelson and Fang Qu  
APN: 031-052-028

### 1651 Fairway Drive — \$2,587,500

Shea Homes LP to Lisa and Mark Sears  
APN: 031-052-027

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## Carmel-by-the-Sea Real Estate Activity This Week:

Status	Address	List Price	Sale Price	DOM
List Price Decreased	Casanova 9 NW of Ocean	\$9,850,000	---	62
Contingent	Santa Fe 3 SW of Mountain View	\$5,900,000	---	33
Contingent	Guadalupe 5 SE of 3rd	\$3,495,000	---	53
Sold	Oak Knoll 2 SE of Forest	\$3,650,000	\$3,550,000	11
Sold	Monte Verde 2 SW of 2nd	\$3,490,000	\$3,690,000	6

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