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## Dallas helps recover stolen \$6,000 e-bike

By MARY SCHLEY

THANKS TO good timing and quick action, a \$6,000 e-bike is back at the shop where it was stolen, and police are working to track down the man who shattered the window of the Monterey business, took the bike and then sold it to someone in a Seaside parking lot for \$60.

According to Monterey Police Lt. Ethan Andrews, at around 3:30 a.m. March 18, a security guard at the Monterey Plaza Hotel saw someone smash a glass door at the Mad Dogs & Englishmen bike shop and called police, who soon arrived to discover “someone had broken in and stolen a high-end electric bicycle.”

### ‘Violated’

Owners Martin Watson and Jennifer Blevins shared their heartbreak online and commended the hotel security guard who chased after the burglar and police who tried to find him after he jumped on the bike and took off on the Rec Trail toward Seaside.

“We can’t tell you how violated we feel,” the couple said. “We haven’t even been open

three months at this location.”

Having seen their post and photos of the bright red e-bike, former Mayor Steve Dallas was in Seaside shop-

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IMAGES FROM MAD DOGS & ENGLISHMEN SECURITY CAMERA

Video surveillance images show a man smash through the front door and enter a Monterey shop where he stole a \$6,000 e-bike. The bike was recovered, but the thief is still at large.

## As supply surges, state announces new vaccine rules

### ■ 50-plus can get vax April 1

By KELLY NIX

CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS 50 years and up can start getting vaccinated April 1, while those 16 years and older can also get the shot beginning April 15, according to new vaccine eligibility rules announced by Gov. Gavin Newsom Thursday.

“With more than 15 million shots in arms, the light at the end of the tunnel continues to get brighter,” Newsom’s office said.

Not long after the governor made the announcement, Monterey County Health Department spokeswoman Karen Smith told The Pine Cone that “the county is expected to follow the state’s guidelines” for the new eligibility rules.

The news comes as the United States has drastically ramped up manufacturing of the coronavirus vaccine, nearing almost 35 million doses per week. Monterey County is also getting a lot more vaccine. It’s received more than 147,000 doses and injected more than 30,000 people last week.

See **VIRUS** page 15A

## School classrooms to reopen April 19

By MARY SCHLEY

ASSUMING THE board of education agrees when it discusses the plan at a special meeting Friday morning, all Carmel Unified School District campuses will reopen for full-time learning April 19, interim superintendent Trisha Dellis told The Pine Cone this week. The swift change is a result of the CDC’s recently revised recommendations calling for less distance between kids in classrooms.

“Last Friday, the CDC came out with new distancing guidelines, so instead of 6 feet, it’s 3 now,” she said. “That completely changes our situation in our classroom space.”

The California Department of Public Health reacted quickly, too, revising its guidelines for schools on Saturday, and Dellis and other district administrators got together this week to discuss whether they should reopen, now that they can.

“We met and decided we’re going to do a full opening at all of our schools,” she said. “April 19, right after break,

See **SCHOOLS** page 21A

## Panetta breaks silence, will visit U.S.-Mexico border

### ■ Blames Trump for migrant crisis

By KELLY NIX

DAYS AFTER Democratic Rep. Jimmy Panetta declined to answer questions about the immigration crisis at the southern border, he issued a lengthy statement and said he’d embark on a “fact finding” mission to a Texas facility

that is detaining migrant children.

On Sunday, Panetta said he would travel Friday to Carrizo Springs, Texas, where the federal government is holding unaccompanied minors, to ensure that the country’s asylum laws are being enforced humanely, “and to acquire the evidence” he needs to advocate for funding of increased border resources.

“As your federal representative, it is my responsibility to base my decisions on evidence over emotion in order to help ensure that our nation is safe and the laws that represent our national values are upheld,” he said.

The Carmel Valley congressman released the 900-word statement several days after his spokeswoman told The Pine Cone he could not answer questions about the border because of his busy schedule.

More than 100,000 migrants crossed the southern border in February, according to U.S. Customs and Border Protection. Most are asylum seekers, and about 10 per-

See **BORDER** page 18A

## Seagull saved from fishhook entrapment



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This seagull was found with a fishing lure snared in its beak, wing and face. The SPCA rescued the bird and nursed it back to health. See story on page 14A.

## ‘THE HAY’ GETS TIGER’S TOUCH AND NEW NAME

### ■ Nine holes, free putting course

By KELLY NIX

GOLFERS WILL soon have the chance to tee off at a completely redesigned Pebble Beach golf course, which also includes a new restaurant with “majestic views” of Carmel and Point Lobos, a putting course, and a new name and logo.

Formerly known as Peter Hay, the 9-hole course — updated with the help of Tiger Woods and his company, TGR Design — is now called The Hay. The course will open for individual play and group events starting April 16, and reservations can be made now.

“We started taking bookings on Monday,” John Swain, Pebble Beach Company vice president and



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Golf legend Tiger Woods helped design what is now called The Hay golf course in Pebble Beach. It will be open for play starting April 16.

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# Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

## Comical characters

THEIR PERSON loves absolutely everything about dachshunds – the contradiction of their short legs and long bodies, their playful personalities, and their comical antics. He even creates collages and short stories about them. But he didn't like his current dachsie duo's names.

When he and his wife found them on the dachshund rescue circuit, they had been named Wetzel and Pretzel. They loved the dogs right away but, despite the rhyme and the German element, decided the names had to go.

"We felt it would be best if their new names were at least phonetically similar to their old names," said their person.

"This is how we ended up with Waffle and Pencil, which are not as weird as naming your dogs after a fast-food franchise." (See Wetzel's Pretzels, with dozens of locations in California.)

Having one dachshund is a handful, said the couple, who are now breed-loyal. Two are twice the energy, but also twice the entertainment.

"We're always laughing at them," their person said. "They really are ridiculous little creatures, with



the tiniest legs and the biggest personalities. We watch them chase after a ball, and run stagecoach races around the house, side by side, like in the old Purina dog food commercials. We call them 'Nature's Little Clowns.'

Although Waffle and Pencil live in Glendale, their people have a love affair with Big Sur and bring the dachshunds to Carmel Beach often as they can.

"We read The Carmel Pine Cone every Friday evening during happy hour," their person said. "We have to keep abreast of the local happenings in case we get to move there."

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# Copious overtime puts paramedics in municipal payroll's Top 10

By MARY SCHLEY

THE CITY'S nearly \$9 million payroll in 2020 included \$376,324 in overtime — more than half of which went to the five men who work on the ambulance.

Overall, payroll last year decreased by about \$380,000 from 2019, in part because police officers deferred a raise set to kick in last July 1 and city executives took temporary pay cuts, all to help shore up the budget during the pandemic.

The savings were partially offset by the overtime — the rest of which was mostly earned by police officers. Taxpayers' contributions to city workers' retirement funds totaled nearly \$600,000 in 2020, and health benefits cost just under \$921,000.

All told, 90 people received pay from the city last year, though several were laid off after the pandemic hit.

## Crème de la crème

On the list of Top 10 earners, city administrator Chip Rerig came in first, as he usually does, with regular pay of \$190,030, plus more than \$5,700 in vacation pay and just over \$17,000 in "other pay," which includes payouts for unused sick and vacation days, bonuses and other compensation. Rerig's total for the year, including medical benefits and retirement contributions, was \$267,616.

Second, also per usual, was Police Chief Paul Tomasi, whose total \$251,528 included base pay of \$173,893, other pay and benefits, as well as retirement contributions of \$36,022, the highest on the list.

With regular pay of \$103,307, paramedic Myles Routh — who typically earns the most overtime pay in the city each year — came in third, with total compensation of \$227,747. Routh's OT pay of \$65,653 followed the just over \$59,000 he received in 2019 and the impressive \$71,274 he received

the year before.

The ambulance has been short a worker for more than two years, now, which is driving the large overtime numbers, with the five crew members on the payroll taking home a total of \$197,991 in OT last year. A proposal to stop paying overtime and park the ambulance instead of staffing it when a shift couldn't be filled was pitched by Tomasi but never implemented.

Assistant city administrator Maxine Gullo was fourth on the list, with \$172,031 in salary and more than \$12,000 in vacation and sick pay, for a total of \$222,981, including retirement and benefits.

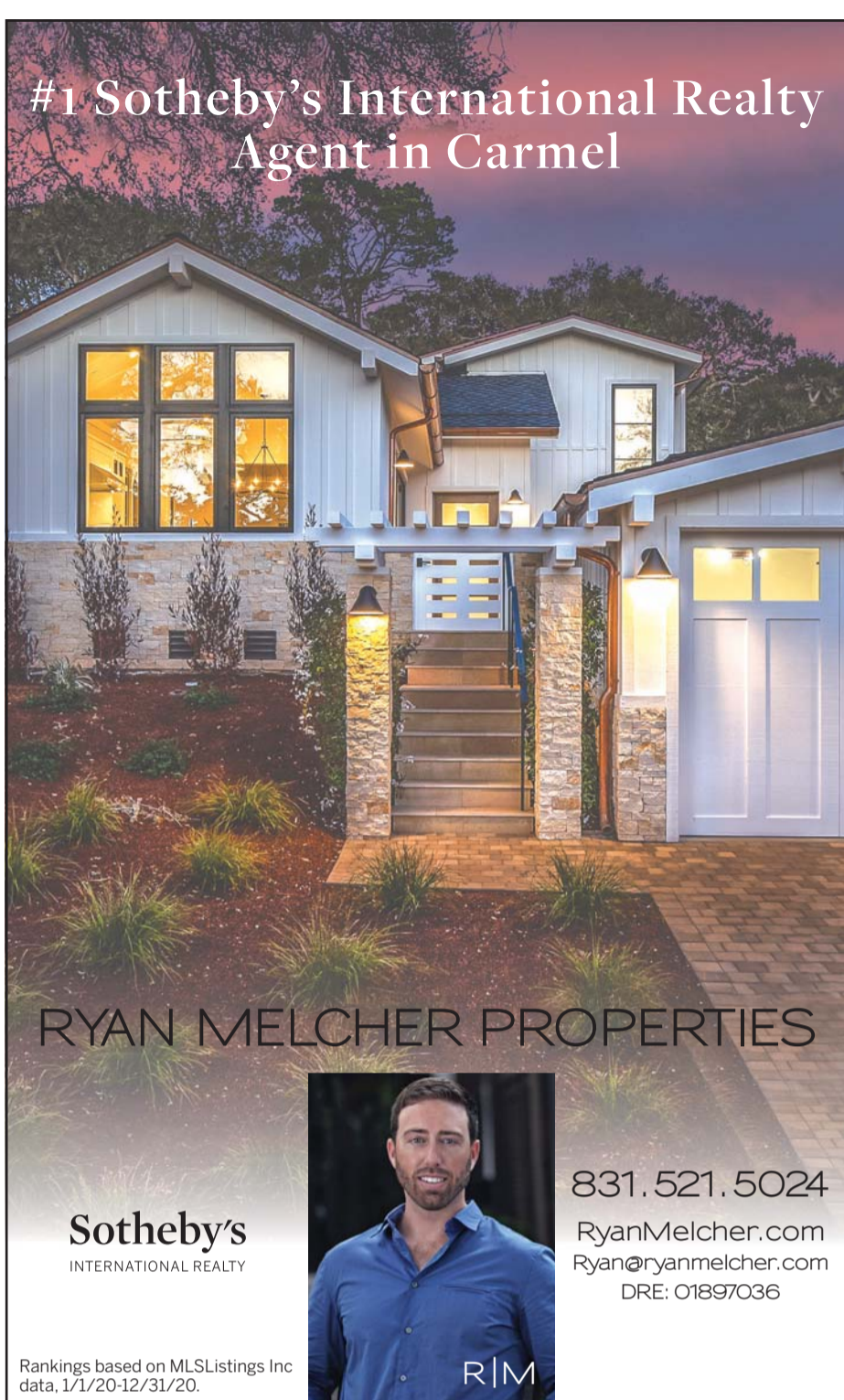
Paramedic David Jedinak netted more than \$30,000 in overtime and more than \$25,000 in retirement contributions. Those combined with his base salary of \$99,322 and nearly \$25,000 in "other pay," brought his total compensation to \$212,674, putting him at fifth. Sgt. Jeff Watkins was the next law enforcement officer on the list after the chief, with \$120,955 in base pay and \$21,706 in OT. Including retirement and benefits, his total was \$206,549.

Seventh was public works director Bob Harary, with his \$168,203 salary boosted sick and vacation pay and other compensation, for an overall \$200,279, followed by paramedic Isaac Eckel (\$200,081, including \$45,866 in overtime), Sgt. Ron Pflieger (\$195,143 total) and paramedic Jonathan Moulton (\$192,736, including \$49,255 in OT).


Other department heads, city managers and law enforcement officers filled the next 10 spots.

With their stipends, the mayor and members of the city council come near the bottom of the list, getting \$2,400 and \$1,800, respectively, though councilman Jeff Baron also received \$17,588 in medical coverage, and councilman Bobby Richards got \$11,478 worth.

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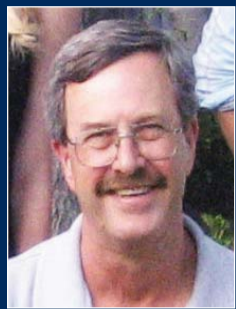
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## Police & Sheriff's Log

### CSI: Suspicious tree-trimming

**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.

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 9

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Lost driver's license. The license was in a gold-plated cigarette box.

**Pacific Grove:** Suspicious circumstances on Evergreen Road.

**Pebble Beach:** A male repeatedly looked into a person's bedroom and home on Ocean Pine Lane.

**Carmel area:** Subject on Mission Fields Road was placed on a 5150 hold [danger to self or others].

**Carmel Valley:** Law enforcement assisted emergency medical services regarding suspicious circumstances on Via Milpitas.

**Carmel area:** A 51-year-old male Edgefield Place resident was arrested for elder abuse.

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vehicle towed from Lincoln south of Ocean for parking in a temporary tow-away zone.

**Pacific Grove:** Dispatched to investigate vandalism of a door at a residence on Congress. No suspect information or investigative leads discovered.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Battery to an Uber driver at Junipero and Ocean at 2225 hours. Victim was unable to positively identify the perpetrator.

**Pacific Grove:** Juvenile issue on Sinex. A 16-year-old and a 15-year-old were cited for obstruction and released to a parent on scene.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vehicle towed from Carmelo and Eighth per section 22651(l) CVC [unpaid tickets].

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A vehicle in the area of Scenic and Eighth followed a juvenile several blocks.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Fur coat was taken from an unlocked vehicle on Mission south of Eighth.

**Pacific Grove:** A bicycle was found on Dennett Street. Bike currently stored for safekeeping.

**Pacific Grove:** Subjects on 12th Street reported their garage window had been broken while they were away from their house.

**Big Sur:** Lost property was reported on Sycamore Canyon Road, and the property was later misappropriated and sold.

**Pebble Beach:** Adult Protective Service referrals at a Sawmill Gulch Road residence and at a Sunset Lane residence.

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### The gavel falls

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

**Feb. 5** — Monterey County Superior Court Judge Mark E. Hood sentenced James Torfason, 41, former Salinas resident, to 34 years in prison for committing child molestation.

In December 2019, John Doe and his family went to the Pizza Factory in Salinas to celebrate Doe's 9th birthday. During dinner, Doe went to the restroom alone. After a few minutes, Doe's father went to the restroom to check on his son. As Doe's father walked into the restroom, Doe was walking out. Doe returned to the dining table where his family was seated and immediately told his family members that a "fat man" touched him in the restroom. Doe's father noted that a heavier, bald male, who was later determined to be James Torfason, was the only other individual in the restroom when he went to check on Doe. Although there was no surveillance footage inside the restroom at the Pizza Factory, surveillance videos outside the restroom showed that Torfason was the only other individual in the restroom when Doe went inside, and that Torfason and Doe were in the bathroom together for four minutes. Upon hearing Doe's statement, Doe's father immediately went to look for Torfason, and located him getting into his vehicle. Doe's father followed Torfason in his own vehi-

cle and called 911 to report the crime. Responding officers were able to locate Torfason and Doe's father shortly thereafter.

Doe was subsequently interviewed by a qualified forensic interviewer who has specialized training in conducting child interviews. Doe is diagnosed with autism and, as a result, he has a difficult time formulating sentences. However, Doe was able to create a drawing depicting how Torfason sexually assaulted him in the restroom.

On Nov. 19, 2020, Torfason pled guilty to committing a lewd or lascivious act on a child under the age of 14 years, and assault with the intent to commit a sexual offense on a minor. Both offenses are violent felonies and are considered "strikes" under California's Three Strikes law. Torfason also admitted an enhancement for having a prior strike conviction for an attempt to commit a lewd or lascivious act on a child under the age of 14 years. In addition to the prison sentence, Torfason is required to register as a sex offender for life.

**Feb. 5** — Judge Carrie M. Panetta sentenced Octavio Francisco Flores, 30, to 16 years prison after he pled no contest to one felony count of continuous sexual abuse of a child under 14 years.

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# Police department asks residents, businesses to register security cams

By MARY SCHLEY

IN AN era when many houses are outfitted with security cameras and the majority of businesses have them inside and out, it stands to reason the images they capture might be useful to police investigating crimes. But getting access to their footage — and even knowing who owns them — can be challenging. When it comes to tracking down criminals, time is of the essence, so Carmel P.D. is asking locals to register their cameras with the department.

“The whole premise behind it is to find out who has cameras and who to talk to when we have a crime happen in a particular location,” explained Carmel Police Sgt. Jeff Watkins. “We can pull a database with contact information.”

The contact list, camera locations and all other details are confidential, and owners can offer to let the police department access the footage or review it themselves and provide whatever is necessary, according to Watkins.

“It’s about putting together cases with the help of our citizens and business owners,” he said.

### Could have helped

While searching for leads in a recent spate of residential burglaries, officers reviewed footage on the police department’s traffic cameras located at six major routes into and out of town, but without vehicle descriptions or any idea when the cars may have come and gone, they didn’t have much to go on. If cameras near the victims’ homes had captured useful information, that search could have been more focused — and possibly fruitful.

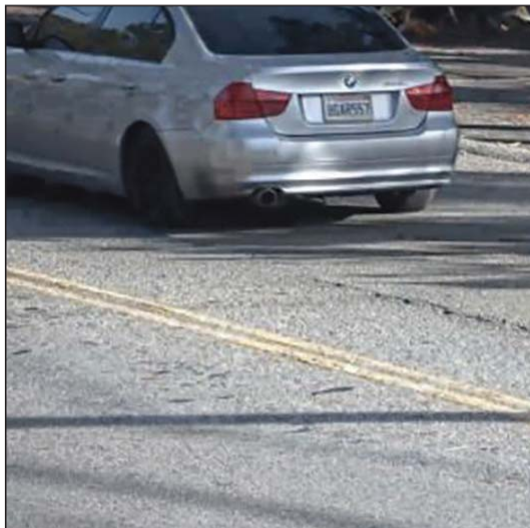
“We were trying to use the city cameras for people coming and going in those burglaries, but we didn’t have enough information,” he said.

Watkins also encouraged out-of-town homeowners to register their cameras. “A lot of these houses are second homes, so if they do have cameras, we don’t know how to get hold of the people,” he said.

### Thief caught

Many devices currently on the market produce good images and sound, and also alert owners when there’s activity nearby. During a case in 2017 that involved a man trying to break into a home on Junipero near Second, a security camera captured images of the suspect prowling around the property, and that information eventually

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Security cameras capture critical investigative details, like plate numbers, and CPD hopes residents and businesses will register their own cameras to help catch criminals.



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# City decides Fifth Avenue developer won't have to pay parking fees

By MARY SCHLEY

AN OLD building across from the post office on Fifth Avenue was demolished earlier this month to make way for a new complex featuring a restaurant and two long-term rentals, after the city's planning department decided not to charge the developers more than \$500,000 in parking fees.

Carmel Valley resident Stuart Clark bought the building, which was most recently occupied by La Dolce Vita restaurant, in August 2018 for \$1.28 million with plans to fix it up, find a new restaurant operator and rent out the upstairs apartments to long-term tenants. But he discovered the property needed much more work than expected and subsequently submitted plans to demolish and rebuild it on the same footprint.

## No fees after all

The demolition and proposal to build a new complex

designed by architect Peter Silva from Wald, Ruhnke & Dost triggered a requirement that the property meet all current codes, including providing five off-street parking spaces when there's only room for two.

As a result, Clark would be charged an "in-lieu" fee of around \$160,000 per space for those not built on site, with the money going into a fund that has a balance in excess of \$725,000 intended to pay for public parking projects, but which has never been used.

In November 2019, Clark told the planning commission those fees would likely scuttle the project, but he decided to proceed. Several months after commissioners glowingly approved his plans in January 2020, the city council considered changing the policy that requires developers to pay the city when they can't provide off-street parking, but the issue subsequently died.

Last fall, however, the planning department decided Clark wouldn't have to pay the parking fees after all. Even though demolition would normally trigger the requirement

to bring everything into conformance with current codes, since the building will be on the same footprint, the "legal non-conforming status" when it comes to parking can remain.

## A new wall

"A determination was made by the community planning and building department in September 2020 that since the existing site was legal non-conforming relative to parking, and the fact that the building was being reconstructed in the same footprint, in addition to the commercial square footage being reduced, that the site would retain its legal non-conforming status," said planning director Brandon Swanson, who came to work for the city in January. "Therefore, the in-lieu fees were not required."

But if Clark or a subsequent owner ever expands the building or intensifies its use beyond a restaurant and two long-term apartments, he said, "the site would be required to come into full compliance with parking requirements."

The city issued a demolition permit so the old structures could be torn down, which occurred over the course of a few days earlier this month.

Swanson said the project includes a small public benefit, as well: Clark agreed to replace the retaining wall above the post office parking lot just below the property and face it with stone. The construction permit is on track to be issued soon.



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An excavator made short work of an old restaurant and two apartments across the street from the Fifth Avenue post office earlier this month to make way for a new complex.

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# Pooch rescued from rocky beach

By KELLY NIX

A DOG named Cookie that fell down an oceanfront embankment and was trapped on a Pacific Grove beach during high tide should be thanking her lucky stars that humans heard her cries for help.

At about 6:30 a.m. Tuesday, citizens reported seeing a dog on a rocky beach after hearing the distressed animal barking. They called police, and an officer and firefighter responded to a location near Lovers Point where they found the Labrador-type dog at the rocks below.

“Access to the area was blocked by high tide,” according to the Pacific Grove Police Department. “Monterey Fire was asked to respond with a ladder to get 20 feet down to the isolated beach area.”

### Quick rescue

Police Sgt. Jeff Fenton and firefighter Robert Chaparro climbed down and retrieved the hound, as waves crashed on the rocks nearby. The rescue, which required climbing a ladder while holding a dog that weighed at least 50 pounds, took about five minutes, and the owner cheered when they brought Cookie up from the beach, Fenton told The Pine Cone Wednesday.

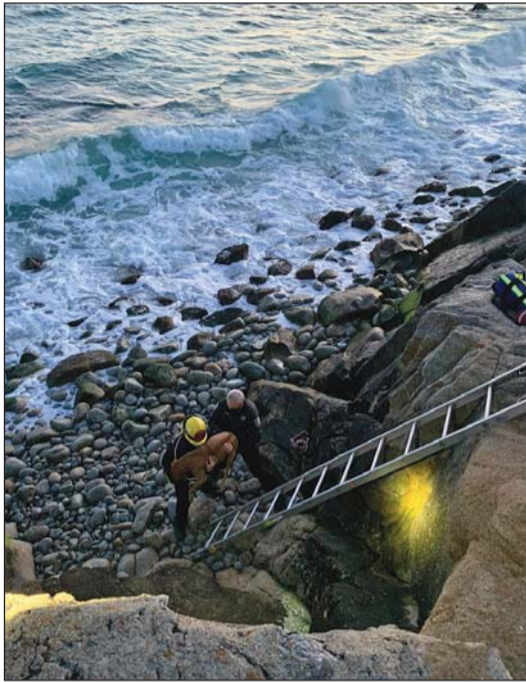
“While the waves were a little too close for comfort, we are extremely proud of the quick response from both police and fire in this incident, and so happy we were able to return Cookie to her home,” PGPD said.

The dog’s owners had reported her missing the night before her

adventure.

In a social media post Tuesday, someone claiming to be the dog’s owner said there was a five-hour search for her. They said Cookie was not injured and thanked those who helped rescue her.

“Miss Cookie is an older dog who is a little bit sad and disoriented because she recently lost her owner, Duane Turk, who passed away at age 96,” the dog’s new owner said. “He was a World War II veteran and a career firefighter, captain and chief in Fresno.”



PHOTO/PGPD

A Pacific Grove police officer and Monterey firefighter rescue a dog that got trapped on a P.G. beach after falling down an embankment.

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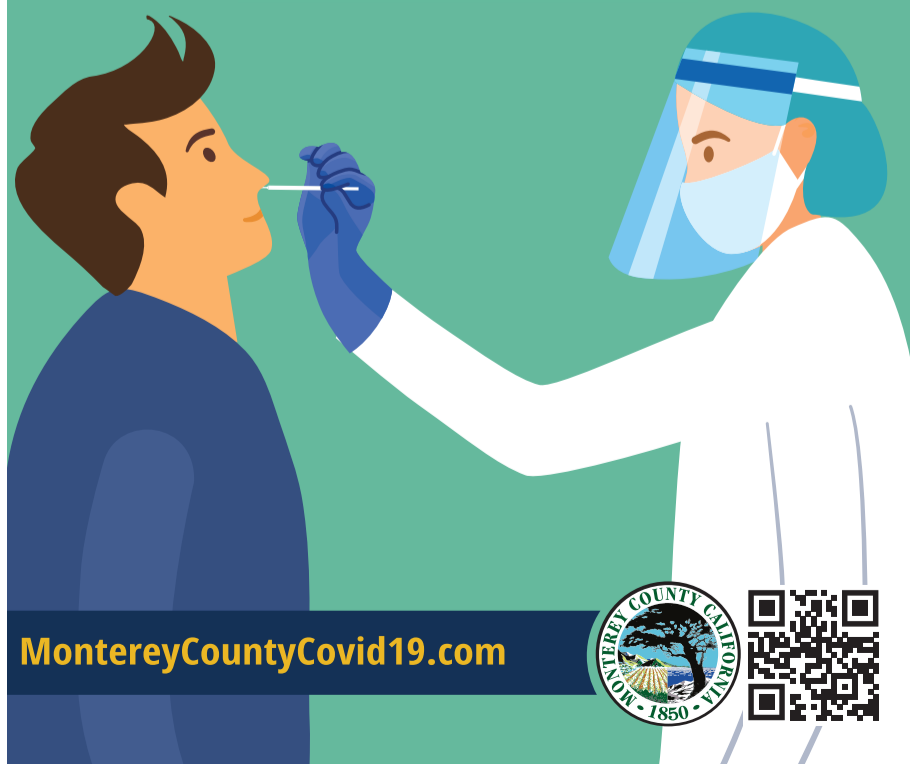
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# CORONAVIRUS RELIEF ACT WILL SEND MILLIONS TO COUNTY, LOCAL CITIES

## Most don't know how they'll spend it

By MARY SCHLEY

WHILE MANY residents are getting their latest round of stimulus money, local governments are also reaping the benefits of the \$1.9 trillion spending plan passed by Congress and signed by the president earlier this month that's funneling tens of millions of dollars to Monterey County and all of its cities.

Funded by federal taxpayers, the American Rescue Plan allocates billions of dollars for governments, including money for "all 19,000 cities, towns and villages" in the United States, according to the National League of Cities. The \$350 billion allocation is divided into \$195.3 billion for state governments, \$130.2 billion for counties and municipalities, and \$20 billion for federally recognized tribal governments.

### \$84M for the county

County of Monterey officials expect to receive "approximately \$84 million," according to spokeswoman Maia Carroll. Monterey County's 2020-2021 budget exceeds \$1.64 billion, and unlike many Peninsula cities, the county actually added

jobs and increased its spending during the coronavirus pandemic.

Carroll said the county "is waiting for federal guidance before making any recommendations" on how the windfall should be spent, which the budget committee will discuss at upcoming workshops.

"The county has already implemented lots of Covid response, programs pulling monies from contingency and strategic reserves, as well as cannabis funds, so there is great interest in using funds to replace those dollars," she said.

The City of Carmel, which laid off five full-time employees, eliminated other part-time jobs, accepted pay cuts from its police force and management, and severely cut its budget in 2020-2021 — but is now on track to finish with a \$2.6 million surplus — will get \$717,337, according to city administrator Chip Rerig.

"We don't know when we'll receive the money," he said. "It's coming directly from the state, and we're not sure if we're getting it in one lump sum or over two years."

Other than knowing it can't be spent on pension liability, which for Carmel is now estimated at \$25 million, Rerig said the rules on its use are unclear.

"Some jurisdictions are distributing it to those in need in their communities," he said. "That's certainly an option."

But Rerig likes the idea of spending the money on a marquee project and will suggest that to the mayor and city council, perhaps at next month's regular meeting.

"My suggestion is we do a capital project that's highly visible — that we can point to in the future and say we rebuilt or renewed it," he said, angling for using the federal money "on a really iconic project, not dumping it into storm drains or into a bunch of small projects."

The city could overhaul Forest Hill Park, now that more families with children are living here, or improve the much-used Scenic Road pathway, Rerig suggested. "It will be part of the budget discussion," he said.

### Monterey's plan

Monterey is getting \$6.47 million, according to city manager Hans Uslar, with half coming by mid-May, and the rest allocated 12 months later, "and only after we have applied for it."

The Monterey City Council adopts two-year budgets, and while 2019-2020 anticipated revenues exceeding \$80 million, 2020-2021 put the figure at \$68 million and spending at \$71 million. The plan included the layoffs of 84 workers.

Monterey officials haven't decided how to spend their money, either, but Uslar has some ideas.

"Our Covid-related revenue losses in our general fund accounts are projected to be around \$32 million," between March 2020 and this coming June, he said. Like Carmel, Monterey depends heavily on revenues from hotel and sales taxes.

"The funding will help us to not dip into our reserves as much," he said. "It will help us to reopen the library at minimal service levels, and reopen the sports center and our senior center."

Uslar and his staff are working on a plan to present to the city council and the public. "Council will have the last word."

Tori Hannah, administrative services director for the City of Pacific Grove, said P.G. is expected to receive \$2.9 million. The city's adopted budget for 2020-2021 anticipates just under \$21.3 million in revenues, compared with the \$25 million budgeted, and the roughly \$23.7 million actually received, in 2019-2020.

"The final allocation is still pending," she said. "We will be bringing this item to council for discussion once we receive further guidance on the use of the funds and any additional program terms."

## Brinkley to discuss presidency at library foundation fundraiser

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

AFTER HAVING to put off his scheduled appearance here a year ago due to the coronavirus pandemic, author and presidential historian Douglas Brinkley will "provide a riveting look at the highs and lows of the American presidency" during a talk with Naval Postgraduate School defense analysis professor John Arquilla April 7 at 7 p.m. The online event marks the 9th annual fundraiser for the Carmel Public Library Foundation.

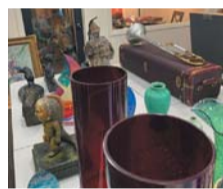
"This presidential 'edition' is particularly timely as the United States continues to contend with an unprecedented convergence of challenges, while transitioning to its new administration," said Alexandra Fallon, executive director of the library

foundation.

Brinkley, a professor at Rice University, has won awards for his titles about Walter Cronkite and Hurricane Katrina, among others, and his latest release focuses on President John F. Kennedy's race to land an American on the moon.

Tickets are \$65 for general admission, which includes the online program, and \$175 for VIP, which also involves a pre-show reception and a gift basket. Military and students pay \$32.50 for the online presentation. Proceeds benefit the library foundation's efforts "to ensure free library service in perpetuity" by covering the costs of books, materials, programs, equipment and services.

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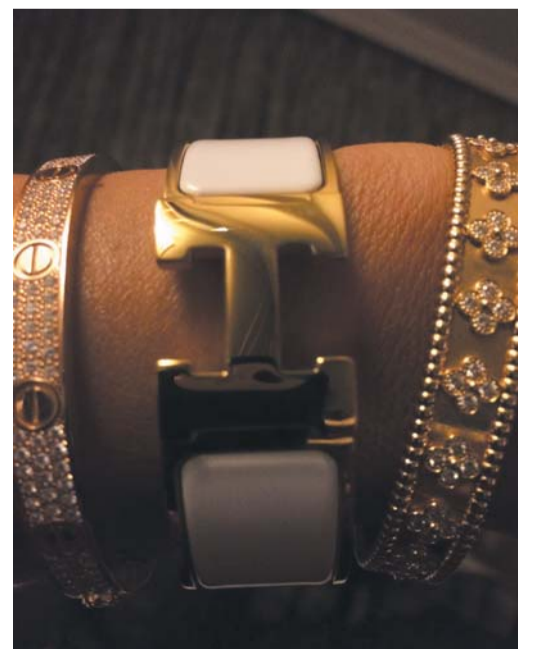
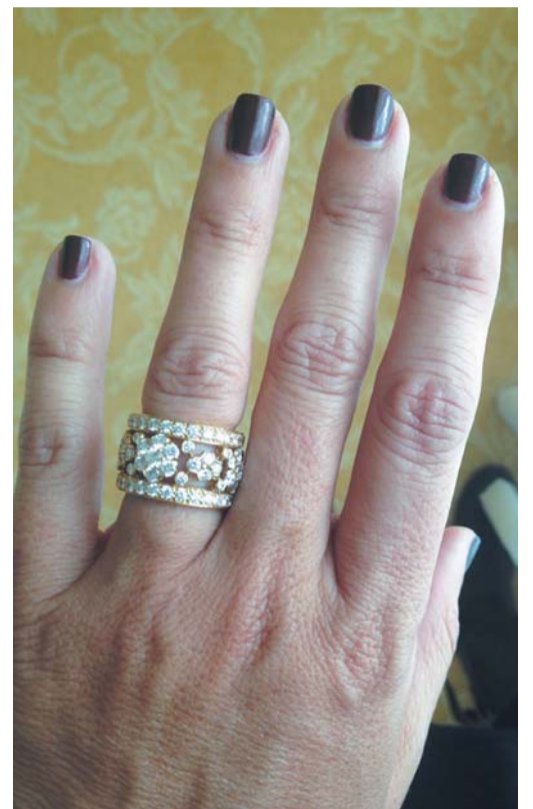
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# Carmel Valley Ranch keeps options open on subdivision

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE OWNERS of Carmel Valley Ranch have another year to decide if they want to keep an equestrian center that was approved last year after its construction without a permit caused a stir. The property could also be used for 12 homes under a permit that was approved in 2003 and has been extended many times — most recently in 2016.

At a hearing March 10, the Monterey County Planning Commission voted 9-0 to extend the permit again, giving the ranch another year to choose between the subdivision and the equestrian center.

At the hearing, planner Joe Sidor told the commission that the extension would be the last for the subdivision.

Representing Carmel Valley Ranch, attorney Tony Lombardo said the proper-

ty owner hasn't decided whether to do the subdivision or keep the equestrian center, "so we applied for the extension."

Lombardo said the applicant isn't asking for more building sites. "This is a relocation of 11 legal parcel existing lots," along with one existing lot, he explained. "We're trying to avoid building in steep and wooded area. There will be less tree removal" at the new site, which he said is also less visible.

The equestrian center was red-tagged in 2018 when construction began on it without permits. Its plans called for building 20 12-foot-by-30-foot horse pens, a shade structure, and a hay barn.

Also on the agenda was a request for a permit extension to convert 144 hotel rooms to condominium units. But, Lombardo said "the current owners don't see it as viable business model."

# AFTER TALK ABOUT LIGHT POLLUTION, HIGHLANDS HOME GETS OK

By CHRIS COUNTS

A COUPLE got permission on March 10 to build a mountaintop home on Red Wolf Drive in the Carmel Highlands but not without a spirited talk about whether light from the home would harm the views from public sites along Highway 1.

And they weren't just discussing the kind of light that helps people see at night. Monterey County Planning Commissioner Martha Diehl also wanted to make sure that the home wouldn't reflect the sun and bother people, even at a distance.

"Can you assure me that there is nothing there that's going to reflect in any way" or that's "going to annoy someone else anywhere?" Monterey County Planning Commissioner Martha Diehl asked architect Mary Ann Schicketanz, who made a presentation for owners Jonathan and Jessika

Auerbach.

In response, Schicketanz told Diehl that issuing such a guarantee "is not possible."

The architect noted that "every day of year, the sun sets in a different spot" — not to mention that it moves through the sky all day long, and can be hidden by fog.

Schicketanz said her team "gave this a lot of thought," because "we know of the concern" people have about light. "We did everything in our ability to prevent it," she said.

County planner Joe Sidor also said he didn't see any lighting or reflectivity issues, and that public viewing areas are several miles away.

Diehl said she was satisfied with the explanation, and made a motion to approve the project, which was approved by a 9-0 vote, with planning commissioner Melissa Duflock absent.



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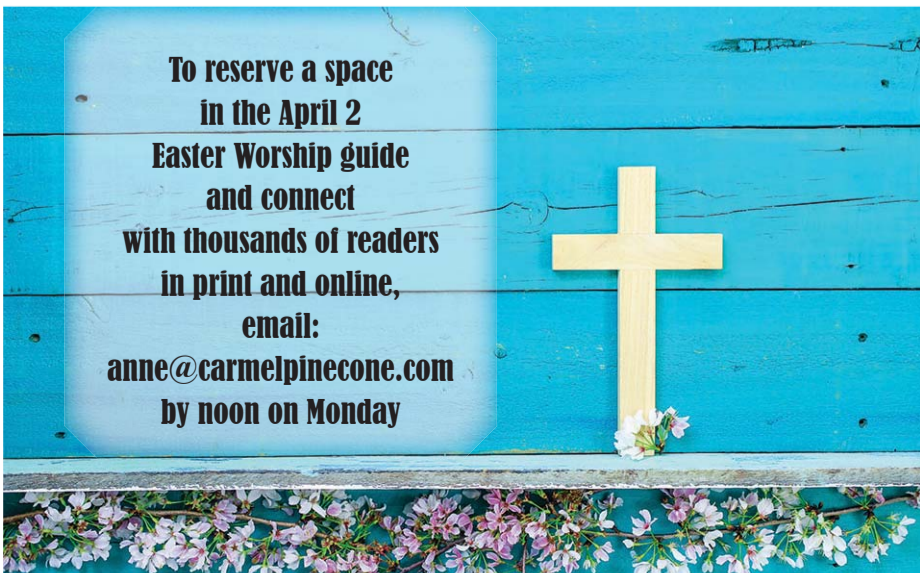
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# Grand jury says supes, county too lax on vacation rentals

By CHRIS COUNTS

NOT MUCH progress toward regulating short-term rentals in the county has been made despite 25 years of trying. That's the conclusion offered up in a report issued this week by the Monterey County Civil Grand Jury.

"Little Progress Despite Years of Struggle," reads the headline on the report, which is the first local civil grand jury report released this year.

For nearly a quarter century, county officials have struggled to create ordinances that would regulate the vacation stay industry. In 1997, they adopted an ordinance that regulated vacation rentals in inland areas, but the California Coastal Commission — which in recent years, because of its mandate to protect visitor access to the coast, has become a strong proponent of short-term rentals — objected to efforts to limit them in coastal areas.

In its report, the grand jury didn't take a stance for or against short-term rentals, instead focusing its efforts on ordinance compliance and enforcement. But it did acknowledge the growth of the industry.

"Monterey County has experienced a rapid increase in the number of residential properties being used for STRs," the report indicates.

### Online tracking could help

According to the report, the county's board of supervisors is partly to blame — in part because it has been too lax — and it's increasing "public tensions." "The board of supervisors has allowed this ordinance development effort to drag on for far too long," the report continues. "This delay, combined with the lack of a proactive enforcement of current ordinances, has exacerbated the problem over time."

To make it possible for the county to

keep track of short-term-rental hosts and neighborhood complaints, the grand jury recommends it employ a mix of high-tech solutions, starting with setting up an online database "to allow applicants to apply and check application status directly through the county website," and make it possible for anybody "to verify whether a given property is registered and possesses a valid TOT certificate."

### Getting on the same page

The grand jury also wants to see the county tax collection department build an online records system, which would "require vacation rental operators to enter visitor occupancy data in near real time." It also suggests that the county should "implement an online system for direct public access to file complaints, and obtain the status of enforcement action and complaint resolution."

The panel suggested it's possible for the county to implement the online improvements within six months.

It also recommends the development "as soon as possible" of a comprehensive vacation rental enforcement program funded by TOT revenue, zoning permit fees, and zoning ordinance violation penalties.

Other recommendations to the county include implementing "internal process changes to ensure future alignment between county departments," so everybody is on the same page, and distinguishing between "current unpermitted vacation rental operations that may be eligible to obtain permits under the new ordinances," and those that don't qualify.

Finally, the grand jury wants to see the county wrap up the process for developing an ordinance.

"The board of supervisors should fully

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# City to start seeking new Forest Theater manager April 2

By MARY SCHLEY

THE FOREST Theater should be used more often for a wider variety of activities, according to some who spoke at a workshop hosted by the community activities commission Monday evening. But noise and parking are perennial problems for those who live nearby. It should be managed by the groups that use it most — or by someone else. It's important to children, many of whom experience their first live theater performances there, but it also matters to adults, including those who don't have kids.

The city needs to find an organization

to manage the 110-year-old outdoor theater, and since she's in charge of that effort, community activities director Ashlee Wright embarked on an opinion-seeking and fact-finding mission to determine what community members want. The city was in charge of the theater for decades before handing it over to the nonprofit Sunset Cultural Center, Inc., which received a \$20,000 taxpayer-funded subsidy annually for the first three years and was promised at least \$25,000 per year in revenues to manage it, according to a 15-year lease signed by SCC and the city in 2017. SCC has since asked to be released from the deal.

Wright organized the March 22 work-

shop and a special meeting March 23, and sent out a survey that had been answered by nearly 400 by the start of the week.

"I've never conducted a survey that's gotten so many responses back," she said at the end of Monday's workshop. "I'm absolutely gob-smacked and impressed by this theater community."

## Lots of answers

The workshop was a free-form discussion based around questions Wright hoped would be answered, including what the Forest Theater's place in the community is, what has worked there and what hasn't, challenges to improving or changing it, and hopes for the future. More than 60 people logged on to listen or comment, while a half-dozen others submitted letters.

No one argued it shouldn't be a theater, and while complaints about parking and noise arose, they were tempered with general appreciation for the venue and a desire to see it continue operating.

"I love seeing films there," one neighbor commented. "There could be live concerts, there could be classes. I don't want to minimize live theater but don't think we should restrict ourselves, either."

Someone suggested a longer theater season — the Forest Theater is generally unused in the late fall, winter and early spring. Another recommended finding activities to take place there when Pacific Repertory Theatre and the Forest Theater Guild, the two organizations that hold productions there each year, aren't rehearsing or performing, even if their sets and equipment are in place.

Rebecca Barrymore, who has long been involved with the theater, ran through a list of possible activities and events, including concerts, live artmaking, auctions, operas, shows that could be streamed online for subscribers who would pay to watch from the comfort of their own homes, dance performances, and jazz shows in collaboration with the Monterey Jazz Festival.

By the end of the 90-minute workshop, Wright told the community activities commission the next day, she'd taken 15 pages of notes on people's feedback and comments.

She also presented the results of the survey so far. "We've had 391 responses to our survey, which is bananas," she said, adding that she hoped to break 400 before the it closed Wednesday. "For a small village, I haven't seen such robust survey response, ever."

She found 95 percent of respondents had been to the Forest Theater, while a small number hadn't managed to do so or had never heard of it. Of those who had been there, 364 attended a live theater performance, while 200 went to movies and 63 attended drama classes. Most common in the "other" category was yoga classes.

Around three-quarters of the respondents rated their experiences five stars, with 18 percent giving them four stars. "So it got pretty high ratings," she said. "Overall, people think there could be more things going on — a mix of things — but theater is the most popular use."

They also suggested everything from other types of performances and classes, to singalongs, concerts, and even political debates and public forums.

## 'Outpouring of support'

Commissioner John Micek said he was impressed by the "incredible outpouring of support" for the theater at the workshop and in the survey.

"I was expecting more of the local residents living around the theater to have more of a negative view," he said. "They did a great job speaking to their desire to have this continue."

He said he'd support a management organization that will be creative enough to find new daytime uses that could help augment revenues.

"This is a vitally important part of our culture of Carmel," he said. The group should also be adept at fundraising — a

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# MONTEREY SPORTS CENTER BACK IN BUSINESS

By MARY SCHLEY

WITH THE county's move to the Red Tier last week, gyms were allowed to reopen indoors at 10 percent capacity, and the Monterey Sports Center on Franklin Street welcomed customers on Monday for the first time since everything shut down eight months ago.

The facility is large, but it can only serve a fraction of its thousands of members and walk-ins, with capacity limited to 148 people.

The city-owned sports center, which has two exercise studios, a large gym and cardio and weight rooms, now has equipment spaced throughout.

General manager Andrea Willer said it's operating on a first-come-first-served basis, though reservations can be made for group classes, which begin March 29. All users have to be at least 13 years old and should bring their own water, towels, mats and headphones.

Pre-pandemic, the sports center on weekdays opened

at 5:30 a.m. and closed after 9 p.m. In its current iteration, hours are 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday and Saturday. According to the city, indoor swimming pools are allowed to reopen for "drowning prevention classes," and will be available April 5.

The center is offering a "Welcome Back Special" with one-month passes, but Willer said those who are already members will have their memberships reactivated and extended when they check in for the first time.

"We anticipate that over the next few months, it will cost us more to be open than we will have paying customers," Monterey city manager Hans Uslar told The Pine Cone. "It will take time until our daily 2,000 to 3,000 visitors will be returning."

Reopening requires hiring more staff, so the sports center has part-time jobs available for front desk attendant, sports specialist, lifeguard and facility attendant, with pay ranging from \$14 to \$20 per hour. Job descriptions and applications are available at [montereysportscenter.org](http://montereysportscenter.org).

# Council accepting grant apps until April 2

IT REMAINS to be seen how much money the city council will decide to give them, but local community groups and organizations are encouraged to apply for the annual grants before the deadline April 2 at 5 p.m.

The taxpayer-funded grants, which max out at \$3,000 per, are available to nonprofits and schools "that provide community, environmental and/or social services that benefit the city or the community and enhance the well-being of Carmel-by-the-Sea residents." To be eligible, the applicant must directly provide the community service or project for which city funds are sought and must not owe the city any money or be financially dependent on the city.

Applications are available at [ci.carmel.ca.us](http://ci.carmel.ca.us) and can be mailed to city clerk Britt Avrit at Carmel City Hall, P.O. Box CC, Carmel, CA 93921, or emailed to [bavrit@ci.carmel.ca.us](mailto:bavrit@ci.carmel.ca.us).



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# Seagull with fishhooks in face is rescued

By KELLY NIX

A SEAGULL with fishhooks embedded in its face that prevented it from eating was released Monday, several weeks after SPCA for Monterey County employees rescued and nursed it back to health.

A plastic fishing lure with three hooks were stuck in the gull's face and left wing, preventing him from eating and drinking. The SPCA had received calls about the bird days before he was rescued, but because he could still fly, they had difficulty catching him.

But on March 7, the SPCA got a call from a good Samaritan that the gull was in a yard on Noche Buena Street in Seaside, and workers from the SPCA Wildlife Center rescued the animal. "The gull was emaciated and very dehydrated," SPCA spokeswoman Beth Brookhouser said. "Our skilled wildlife rescue team gave him pain medications, IV fluids, and antibiotics, and sedated him to remove the hooks and treat his wounds."

While the roughly 3-year-old seabird was alert and able to eat on his own just the next day, he was still weak. The gull spent several weeks in the SPCA's care, where he was fed smelt.

The gull was released Monday at Seaside State Beach. After being freed from a pet carrier, he flew about 30 feet before sitting down on the sand, a video release shows. Another gull sat near him shortly thereafter.

"We rescue around 250 gulls of various species every

year," according to Brookhouser, who said it's difficult to estimate how much it costs the nonprofit to care for one animal since they have so many at the wildlife center at any given time.

## CRA raising money for Livingston bench

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE CARMEL Residents Association that late former city councilwoman and longtime resident Barbara Livingston ran for a dozen years as president is seeking donations for a memorial bench in her honor.

"For those wishing to further extend their wishes and respect in honor of the February passing of our Barbara Livingston, we welcome and thank you for your contributions to this fund. Your donations can be made in any amount for this memorial bench in her 'Village in the Forest by the Sea,'" the plea at [gofundme.com/f/cgvsu-barbaras-bench](https://www.gofundme.com/f/cgvsu-barbaras-bench) reads. "It's tough to find many who love Carmel-by-the-Sea more than Barbara Livingston."

The CRA, which has about 765 members who live in and near the city, is hoping to raise \$5,000 for a bench and is working with the city on possible locations.

## RENTALS

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commit to accelerating efforts to achieve final approval of new vacation rental ordinances by end of calendar year 2021," the reports conclude.

The Monterey County Vacation Rental Alliance responded to the report. The group advocates for short-term rental owners and operators.

"Like the grand jury, we are very frustrated with the ineptitude and glacial pace of the county," the group said. "The report could have summarized that the situation was caused by the total lack of leadership from the board of supervisors, thus leaving county staff and planning commissioners to muddle along on a contentious issue."

The alliance points to the ease with which the City of Seaside enacted a short-term rental ordinance.

"When Seaside wanted to regulate short term rentals, their city council outlined what they wanted and gave it to their planners," it observed. "Six months later they enacted the ordinance."

The group said the county took too long to address vacation rentals along the coast, and created an onerous ordinance for inland areas.

They also note that the county only took the position that coastal vacation stays were not permitted in July 2015.

"The 1997 inland ordinance implemented a permitting process in a costly, very burdensome, and arbitrary manner," the alliance suggested. "Owners soon learned that ignoring the ordinance was their best option. Hence, only 20 inland STR permits have been issued since 1997."

### Operators offer ideas

The group said the county has given vacation stay operators mixed messages and listed an example.

"Many owners assumed that if they registered with the tax collector, they were then permitted," it said. "These owners did not know the code compliance division had a different view of STRs than the tax collector."

The grand jury report mentions that short-term rentals generate a lot of complaints, but the alliance contends that most come from people who simply object to having STRs in their neighborhoods — as opposed to complaining about someone throwing a party or blocking someone's driveway.


"At our request, the county provided a spreadsheet with 93 open cases," the alliance reported. "Of these, only 17 were nuisance-related or for physical building code violations."

The group suggested the county's most recent draft of an ordinance for coastal areas won't pass the scrutiny of the coastal commission, which wants more access to the coast, not less.


"The report stresses that a new coastal version should be enacted by the end of 2022 after review by the coastal commission," it explained. "This is highly unlikely since there has been no consideration for the requirements of the Coastal Act in the most recent draft ordinance. Not once have these requirements been considered in planning commission or board of supervisors hearings. The most recent draft ordinance bans all STRs in the Del Monte Forest and bans nearly all STRs in the Carmel Highlands and Big Sur areas. This is 83 percent of the Monterey County coastline. Will the coastal commission approve this?"


The group concludes by suggesting that the county must "take a different approach to permitting and enforcing short-term rentals."

"Onerous ordinances do not work," it adds. "Let's face it — laws are most effective if they get a high degree of voluntary compliance. We advocate for ordinances that offer a reasonable permitting process such as an annual license, but include enforceable operating rules to protect neighbors. Enforcement would be easy if you don't renew the annual license for bad operators."



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# VIRUS

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County health officer Dr. Ed Moreno said Tuesday that 28 percent of the population of those 16 and older in Monterey County have received at least a first dose of the vaccine.

But Moreno also told the Monterey County Board of Supervisors this week that as many as 70 percent of county residents who have coronavirus could be infected with one of two variants that experts say are more contagious, can make people sicker and are more resistant to antibodies generated by infection or vaccination.

Moreno said the small number of tests performed by the state and his health department indicate that the mutations could be responsible for most of the current cases in the county.

“Anywhere from 30 to 70 percent of cases in Monterey County could be due” to the variants, Moreno told the county board of supervisors Tuesday.

### Moderately more resistant

The Centers for Disease control has labeled the two strains — called B.1.427 and B.1.429 — “variants of concern,” and said there is evidence that they are 20 percent more transmissible. They are moderately more resistant to antibodies from natural infection and vaccination, and not as receptive to coronavirus treatments, according to the CDC. There’s also a possibility of “increased hospitalizations or deaths” for those infected with the coronavirus variants, the agency said.

“In laboratories, antibodies against the virus don’t seem to work as well against the strains,” Moreno said.

The county, he said, has submitted 1,875 specimens for genomic sequencing

to its own public health lab, the CDC, the Chan Zuckerberg Biohub in San Francisco and the state Department of Public Health.

Moreno said his department is trying to broaden the places — such as skilled nursing facilities and hospitals — where it collects samples for testing.

The county lab and other labs send samples to the state’s laboratory for genomic sequencing tests, and the county performs its own tests.

“We will continue to test for it, run genomic sequencing and provide updates on the percentage of variant cases here, and whether or not there are any changes in its transmissibility or other characteristics,” he said.

More than 400 in California have been infected with a strain first identified in the United Kingdom, and there four others in the state have been diagnosed with a South African variant.

Despite the prevalence of the coronavirus strains, new infections have been running about 25 per day throughout the county over the past two weeks.

That’s good news if the county is to move from the Red Tier to the Orange Tier, which could happen in about two weeks if the case numbers don’t rise significantly.

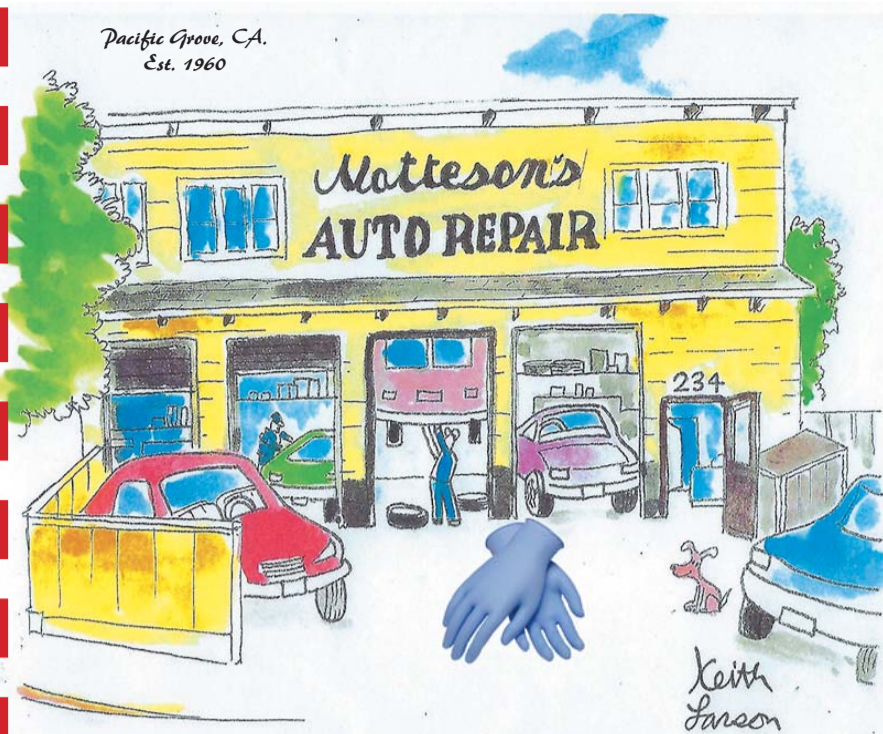
On Tuesday, the state Department of Public Health lowered Monterey County’s official case rate from 4.7 to 3.8 per day per 100,000 people, putting it in Orange Tier territory.

“The case rate is decreasing, but the decrease is slowing down,” Moreno said.

While Monterey County gets a one-week credit this week for meeting Orange Tier standards, it would have to maintain the favorable metrics for another two weeks to qualify for additional reopening.

“The first date the county might be eligible to move into Orange Tier, if all that happens, would be Wed., April 7,” Moreno said.

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## Joyce Eileen (Petrin) Provost

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Joyce Provost of Pacific Grove died peacefully on March 17th, after a two-month battle with Lou Gehrig's Disease.

Joyce was born in Bernardston, Massachusetts. A precocious and active child, she graduated from High School in 1955 at the age of 16. Excelling in Math and Science, but not yet licensed to drive, her mother drove her the two hours to Boston to interview for the nursing program at Boston Children's Hospital. The interviewer was impressed with her and encouraged her to get some medical experience to make sure this was the path she wanted to follow, as she was so young. Joyce returned to western Massachusetts and began working at the Newington Home and Hospital for Crippled Children (now Newington Children's Hospital) and found the medical field to be one she loved. Offered an opportunity to move back to her hometown she entered a program for operating room technicians and traveled to Maine for an intensive course with Army nursing staff. She worked in the OR for eight years, thus beginning her career in caregiving.



In 1965 she met the love of her life, Bob, and they married and had three children. Besides caring for three rambunctious boys, Joyce worked as a medical office manager and in a radiology billing office. Following the death of her husband she "retired" to Pacific Grove in 2003, where after a couple of weeks she unretired and began work for the Central Coast Visiting Nurses Association (VNA) and Hospice. After retiring a second time, she volunteered regularly with the VNA immunization clinic, a place where she felt the ability to serve and made many valuable friends.

She is survived by three sons, Rob of Elbert, Colorado (Cindy), Ron of Pacific Grove (Kirsten), and Rick of Edmond, Oklahoma (Jessica); a brother Steve Petrin of Phoenix, Arizona; five grandsons; one beloved granddaughter; and one great-granddaughter she was delighted to be able to hold.

In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Central Coast VNA and Hospice (ccvna.com), her home away from home, or the Golden West Chapter of the ALS Association are appreciated. A celebration of life will be held in PG on her birthday, and she will be interred with her beloved Bob at Bushnell National Cemetery in Florida.

## Body found in Big Sur, identified as woman, 64

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

WORKERS FOUND a dead body March 24 in Big Sur at the job site where they are repairing a 150-section of Highway 1 that collapsed over Rat Creek.

The incident was reported to the Monterey County Sheriff's Office at 10:30 a.m., and deputies soon arrived on scene.

The deceased was identified as Nancy Lynn Algert, a 64-year-old resident of Templeton (San Luis Obispo County), Monterey County Sheriff's Office spokesman Derrel Simpson told The Pine Cone. The woman's car was found nearby. Simpson said an autopsy was scheduled for Thursday.

"It looked like she probably died overnight, likely not earlier than the prior afternoon," he explained. "It appears she pulled her car over and was walking around the job site — there was no evidence of foul play. But we're waiting for the coroner's determination."

The discovery of the body briefly stopped work at the site, where an \$11.5 million project is underway to fix the road, which was wiped out in late January when a strong winter storm triggered a slide. The road work is expected to be completed by early summer.

The site is located about 40 miles south of the Monterey Peninsula.

## THEATER

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critical aspect of most arts venues and museums these days — and should "focus on ensuring sustainability."

He said Sunset Center never seemed very interested in managing the theater.

"It needs to be thought of as more of a crucial part of our community infrastructure," he said.

Wright said she plans to post a document on the city's website April 2 outlining priorities for managing the theater and seeking applications. Potential managers will be given walkthroughs of the property and will have the chance to submit questions in early May, with the city responding within a week. Applications will be due by the end of May and then evaluated by the city council and negotiated in closed sessions.

"The goal is to enter into a lease agreement in August or September," she said. "This is a very tight timeline — a very ambitious timeline — but it is because the Forest Theater is so important to this community."

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## Dorothy Brandes White

1934 ❖ 2021

Dorothy Brandes White, known as Dede to all who knew her, was a woman of quiet passions for her family, her church, her long standing friends, animals (particularly horses), and adventure. Admired for her sweet nature, playfulness, generosity, and friendly smile, it was her family and close friends who knew of the conviction and determination that lay beneath. Her deep, unconditional love permeated every thread of her life, reflecting a woman who was gentle but competitive, fun loving, spiritual, and a prankster.



Born in Berkeley, California, on August 4, 1934, Dede grew up in Piedmont. Family vacations beginning in the late 1930's took her to the Trinity Alps, the Sierra, and Carmel Valley. She returned to these places throughout her life. Childhood photos of a happy girl in jeans with a string of trout and a fly rod, or sitting on horses in the middle of Carmel River with her father and sister attest to Dede's love of adventure, the outdoors, and horseback riding.

Dede was beloved by many and maintained her friendships with love and devotion. She was a class officer and remained in touch with her Piedmont High classmates throughout her life. Dede competed under the tutelage of Ms. Cornelia Cress for the Mills College Cressmont Stables, winning the Pebble Beach 3-day event on her horse Coed. At UC Berkeley she made lifelong friends in the Gamma Phi Beta sorority and during her summers returned to the Sierra to work at the Lair of the Golden Bear, the Cal alumni camp in Pinecrest. These summer friends became lifelong family friends through decades of annual vacation pilgrimages to the Lair. In addition, a number of her best friends, calling themselves Busy Bees, have been enjoying monthly birthday lunches for over 50 years.

At Cal she also met Oliver, her future husband and the man who would become her best friend for 63 years. They were married in December 1957 and honeymooned in Carmel. After following Ollie's work around the west for several years, in 1965 they settled in Carmel Valley, their home for the rest of her life. There they raised their children, Gordon, Emily, and Andrew, and found adventure in a happy life.

Over the years, with her encouragement, the family loved dogs, cats, ponies, burros, and horses. Packing in the Los Padres forest with the burros or goats forever convinced the family to leave backpacks at home. Dede's love of horseback riding led her to establish a stable and teach horseback riding for several years. Her leadership of the Boronda 4-H club helped to add chickens, goats, sheep, rabbits, and steers to our animal family. Dede's favorite was her Corgi Duncan, with whom she competed in obedience, rally, and agility.

Dede was a maker: a home-maker who was proud of caring for the family, a skilled seamstress who made clothes for the kids out of remnant fabric from Ollie's shop, a talented artist who created needlepoint and watercolors, and a great cook. As one might expect from a home economics major, the family enjoyed healthy meals each day and the children didn't really know what junk food was until they left home. And Dede made lasting memories, whether it was playing and competing in tennis, skydiving on her 70th birthday or traveling with Ollie and the family around the world.

Faith in God was Dede's bedrock, and St. Dunstan's Church in Carmel Valley was the center of her spiritual life. In addition to attending the church beginning in 1965, Dede was the church administrator for almost 20 years. The columbarium at St. Dunstan's will be Dede's final resting place.

Dede died peacefully on February 8, 2021, with her family by her side. She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Dorothy, and is survived by her sister Patricia, husband Oliver, children Gordon, Emily, and Andrew, and three grandchildren.

See you anon, Mom!

Donations in DeDe's name are preferred to the SPCA of Monterey County or the St. Dunstan's Foundation.



## Doris Beach

1925 - 2021

Doris Beach was born 12/15/1925 in England.

At the age of 95, she passed peacefully of natural causes on 3/18/2021 at Canterbury Woods in Pacific Grove where she lived for the past twenty years.

She is survived by her loving children, Stephen, Janice, Michael, and Jennifer, and their families. She was a homemaker and worked tirelessly for thirty years with St. Mary's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church in Pacific Grove as part of their Guild.

Memorial service information will be available at a later date.



## CHRISTIAN MICHAEL POLLOCK 1987-2021

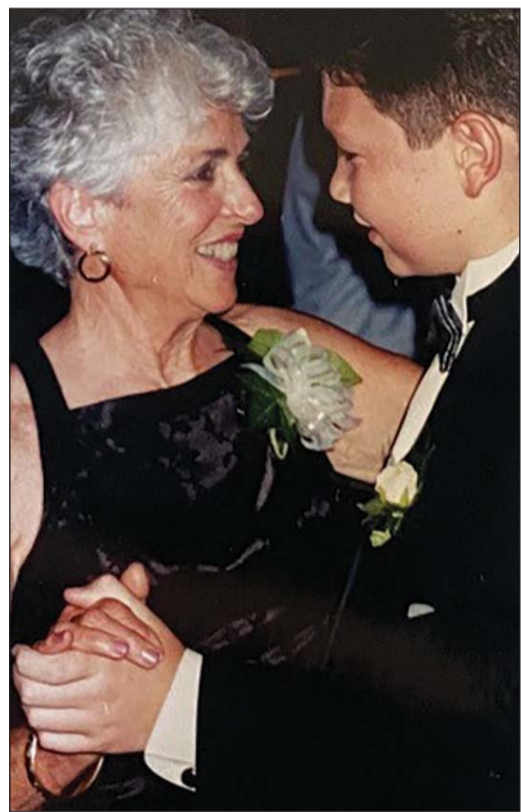
Christian Pollock died on Friday, March 12, 2021, at the same location where he was born on Sunday, October 25, 1987 – the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, Carmel, California. He died on the last day of his 4<sup>th</sup> month hospitalized, fighting for his life as a result of gallstones, sepsis and pancreatitis, which he had almost conquered through sure will and love of life and family. He was attending law classes from his ICU bed and studying between operations and many procedures. We now know he tragically suffered for 2 months before seeking medical attention, waiting for his medical insurance to begin.

Christian attended Carmel schools until he entered York School in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. He enjoyed the Socratic learning environment, his peers and being a member of the golf team during five years as a “Yorkie”, graduating with the class of 2006. Concurrently, he earned his Eagle Scout rank with troop 43 and gathered life-long friends during those experiences. He attended a month of Italian language school in the coastal town of Otranto, Apulia, Italy his 15<sup>th</sup> summer with his mother and remained the rest of the summer alone with his cousins in Tricarico, Basilicata, Italy. Christian embraced everything Italian at an early age, traveled to Italy frequently and kept in touch with his Italian cousins almost daily.

He attended UNLV to study hospitality, entering as a sophomore (thank you York) graduating in 2009 with a BA in Hospitality Management. His sophomore summer he secured an internship on the shores of Lake Geneva, Switzerland and loved working the Montreux Jazz Festival and travelling, gathering more life-long friends. His junior summer he served a 6-week internship back on the Monterey Peninsula with the Hyatt Del Monte, rotating departments for a broad experience, hoping to select his specialization and gathering more life-long friends. He chose to focus on food and beverage services and began a working internship his senior year at Picasso restaurant in the Bellagio, Las Vegas. Immediately after graduation, he traveled with a group of 16 other world-wide F & B graduates who were awarded the Banfi Fellowship (sole importers of many Italian goods to the U.S.). They traveled Italy north to south experiencing the factories, vineyards, orchards, and facilities that produced Italian fare for the industry, introducing these future Food & Beverage directors to the finer facets of Italian products. He extended that trip to France and Ireland with life-long friends he made while at UNLV. His career in Las Vegas is aptly captured by this quote by Gilles Jay Kolakowski, mentor his senior year at UNLV: “I met Christian at the Bellagio, on a mentor/ mentee program as he was at UNLV in hospitality management. Our first lunch together, I was blown away by his maturity, and his will to succeed. I had the honor to spend 9 months with him, working closely, developing more than a friendship, and a brotherhood, a relationship deep and close to my heart. I had to get him a watch because



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**Christian and Grandmother Carolina at brother Joshua's wedding, Yosemite, 1999**

we have to wear them in the business. Witnessing his amazing career, starting as manager at Craft steakhouse then AGM (at Prime steakhouse), GM at Jean Georges steakhouse, and then his taking the GM job at Picasso (where it all started) brought me pride, admiration and so much joy. We celebrated his 21st birthday together, a party I still remember. I told him he was destined to a future where the sky is the limit. I was the mentor in the program, he was better than me. He is the last GM I hired in my career, for Scott Conant's “Masso” at Red Rocks in Las Vegas. He was the best in the business, with knowledge, a natural outstanding hospitality skill, a humility, an integrity, a sense of friendship that has — bar none — never seen again. OUR last text was on his birthday, he would not miss mine, I wouldn't miss his. He told me about law school. Of course, “blow me away once more buddy,” I know you will be the best at it. The world lost one of a kind, not duplicable, an extraordinary human being, out of the ordinary human being, and I am so lucky I had him in my life. My thoughts to all his loving family, and all the people he touched by his kindness, his positivity, his intelligence. “Thank you Christian, for being forever a part of my life that I will never forget.” One of the very few I happily said “I love you man.” Rest in Peace my dear friend.”

From Rear Admiral Bob and Barbara Day, U.S. Coast Guard (ret): “In the fall of 2003, I had the honor of speaking at Christian's Eagle Scout Court of Honor, an achievement that only eight percent of all Boy Scouts attain. Throughout the well-attended ceremony, details of Christian's character, dedication to scouting, contribution, and leadership were praised by Scoutmasters and more importantly the other scouts. Christian's personal comments during the ceremony focused squarely on his Scout leaders, his troop, and his family; never a comment about himself but only about those that had contributed to his journey. Years later, my wife and I had an almost identical experience when we had the chance to dine at the Jean Georges Steakhouse in the Aria Hotel in Las Vegas where Christian had ascended to the manager position. From the moment we arrived, the staff constantly told us how much they enjoyed working for Christian and admired his leadership and dedication to making the restaurant one of the finest in Las Vegas. We had an amazing evening and when we told Christian how proud we were of his achievement; he simply replied it was because of the exceptional team that he had and the support he received along the way. True Christian! Loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, and kind.”

Christian returned to Carmel 18 months ago to family and decompress. The focus of his attention was grandmother Carolina Bayne (nonagenarian), the last remaining full-blooded family member in California. He was grateful to have 5 quality months with her before she passed in February 2020. He was working for

Sandra and Richard Pepe as their Director of Operations for Vesuvio and Little Napoli restaurants in Carmel before starting studies at the Monterey College of Law, looking toward practicing Labor Law and Mediation as a result of his interactions with unions while in Las Vegas. His love of family, cooking, entertaining with family and friends, singing along with Sinatra tunes, dancing, impersonations, eloquence, diplomacy, kindness, impeccable style and decorum along with his wit, gentle generous heart and soul remain with all who knew him. Those who were fortunate to be touched by Christian's presence, carry his bright smile of internal warmth that lit up our rooms and our hearts, making all of us feel truly special to him. He was a huge fan of the Rat Pack, as best sung by Frank Sinatra “he filled our hearts with song and we shall sing forevermore.”

Devastated and grieving are parents Ambrose and Michele Pollock (Carmel), brother Joshua Pollock (Marcette) and their children Sophia, Margaret, Wyatt and Zephyr of Reno, NV also survived by grandmother Alyce Pollock (Santa Cruz), 3 aunts and 2 uncles, numerous great aunts and uncles, hundreds of cousins both in the United States and Italy and his mini Dachshund puppy, Francis Albert, aka “Frankie” Pollock, a source of endless joy. If you would like to honor Christian, please consider a gift to the endowed scholarship in his name, awarded annually to a need-based student at the following institution as a 501 c3 non-profit where he was attending law school:

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A Celebration of Christian's life will be held on his 34<sup>th</sup> birthday, Monday, October 25<sup>th</sup> in Carmel. Jehan Brunton, fellow Yorkie will have details, jehanbrunton@gmail.com. His ashes will be spread by his family on Carmel Bay and from the hills in Tricarico, Italy down and into the Tyrrhenian Sea. You may leave messages for the family at [www.healeymortuary.com](http://www.healeymortuary.com). The family thanks friends, community and extended family for their outpouring of love and support as they adjust to life on this planet without Christian.

# BORDER

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cent of the migrants being held in government border facilities are children. Facilities are so crowded that as many as 23,000 immigrants claiming asylum have been released into the country before getting court dates to hear their claims.

When they are released, anyone who has requested asylum is eligible for free health care in the United States, according to healthcare.gov, the federal government website managed by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

People claiming asylum may also be eligible for cash, employment preparation and job placement, English language training, and other services offered through the Office of Refugee Resettlement, a federal government program under the auspices of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

### 'More secure border'

Panetta conceded that the number of people at the border is larger than the country has had in 20 years.

Although President Joe Biden and his administration "sent the Federal Emergency Management Agency to help out at the southern border, more needs to be done in order to update our outdated immigration system with more resources for the asylum process so that we can uphold the

laws and values of our nation," he said.

Panetta also said he and his colleagues want to work with Biden to ensure a "more secure border with reasonable and applicable technology and infrastructure," and "administer a more orderly and humane way to deal with and determine the claims of the overwhelming amount of asylum seekers."

The resources, he said, should include more immigration judges, court personnel, officers, monitors, courts, shelters and other facilities.

"Additionally, we must find out if it is possible to safely make such determinations in the home countries of the migrants and provide the resources to analyze and help fix the root causes of what is driving people out of those countries to the United States," Panetta said.

Panetta did not address the Covid-19 pandemic as it relates to the border crisis, but Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas admitted last week that the federal government had released some migrants into the country without testing them for the virus.

Other House Democrats are also making the trip to Carrizo Springs, including Texas Rep. Joaquin Castro of Texas and Minn. Rep. Ilhan Omar. It's not clear if Panetta is traveling with that group.

### Defends Biden

Panetta blames Donald Trump, in part, for the crisis, citing what he said were the former president's "shameful-



PHOTO/OFFICE OF REP. HENRY CUELLAR

Overcrowded conditions for would-be immigrants to the United States in Donna, Texas. The photo was made public early this week by Rep. Henry Cuellar, a Democrat from Texas.

ly inhumane and shamelessly political border policies." He said Biden took "necessary and appropriate steps" to halt the policies.

The congressman also pointed to Biden's "clear admonishment" to migrants not to travel to the United States now and the federal government's efforts to turn some of them back.

Despite Biden's efforts, Panetta said there are "10,000 unaccompanied minors in the care of the Department of Health and Human Services and 5,000 more in the care of Customs and Border Protection."

In his first few days in office, Biden issued several executive orders, including stopping funding of the construction of the border wall and allowing unaccompanied minors into the country — moves some believe incentivized migrants to travel here.

In September 2019, during a Democratic presidential primary debate, Biden told migrants they "should come" to the United States.

Among the questions The Pine Cone presented to Panetta on March 12 was whether he supported Biden's handling of the detention of migrant children, whether the United States should place a limit on the number of migrants it accepts under its asylum program, and if migrants should be required to test negative for coronavirus before being admitted to the country. He has not answered those questions.

## Marie Josephine Ferrante

Marie Josephine Ferrante went home to the Lord on March 21, 2021, after a lengthy Alzheimer's illness.

Marie was born in Monterey on October 9, 1934, to her loving parents, Salvatore and Rosaria Bertolino. Marie grew up in Monterey and graduated from Monterey High School.



She met the love of her life, Vito Ferrante, and they were married and had four children. Marie loved baking and cooking dinners for family and friends. She loved her trips to Sicily and Reno.

Marie is survived by her children, Marie Favaloro (Nino), RoseAnn Aliotti (Gaspere), Benedict, Salvatore (Jennifer); and her grandchildren whom she adored: Ariana and Anthony Favaloro, Giovanni and Alexandria Aliotti, Antonio Ferrante and Isabella, Vito and Julianna Ferrante

Marie was predeceased by her parents, Salvatore and Rosaria Bertolino, her brother Giacomo Bertolino and her love Vito, Ferrante.

Services are under the direction of Bermudez Family Funerals. Viewing will take place Monday, March 29, 2021, at Mission Mortuary from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., to be followed by a funeral mass at San Carlos Cathedral at 10 a.m. Private burial will be at San Carlos Cemetery.

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# If they made a movie of their lives, the credits would run long

GREAT LIVES rarely happen in a vacuum. Just ask retired Air Force Col. John Scherer, who recently received a national award for his skill as a pilot, and his wife, retired Vice Adm. Ann Rondeau, who became president of the Naval Postgraduate School in 2019.

On the day after Thanksgiving in 1952, John Scherer's

## Great Lives

By ELAINE HESSER

mother saw a doctor for the first time in her pregnancy and was surprised to learn she was having twins. They were born on Christmas, but John is quick to point out that his identical brother Jeff is younger — by three minutes. And everything you've heard about twins being especially close is true, at least for them.

Flying was a way of life for the Scherers. When John and Jeff were growing up, their father — a World War II fighter pilot — flew his Beechcraft Bonanza to get around for his job as a school photographer with a large territory in the Midwest. Their mother also had her pilot's license.

The twins took to the air early in life. "We took flying lessons before we had our driver's licenses," John recalled. They both got into the Air Force Academy, but Jeff got "sidetracked," as he put it. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin, then attended medical school and became a flight surgeon in the Navy, while John finished his degree at the academy and became a trainer for other Air Force pilots.

At about the same time, Ann and her younger sister, Janis, grew up in Beacon, a small town in New York's Hudson River Valley, "in kind of a classic, middle-class family," Ann recalled.

The Rondeaus' father was also a World War II veteran. He received two Purple Hearts for wounds received in battle, and Ann suspects his injuries may have contributed to his death at 43, when she was a high school senior and Janis was a sophomore.

### 12 Greyhounds

There wasn't a lot of money for tuition, but Ann worked her way through Eisenhower College in Seneca Falls, N.Y., earning a bachelor's degree in history. Her sister got a full scholarship from the Navy to attend college and get her nursing degree, eventually becoming a nurse practitioner.

Ann wanted to go to graduate school, but the money just wasn't there. She was back home, trying to figure out her next move, when Janis urged her to join the Navy.

It didn't occur to Ann to wonder if being a woman on active duty might be difficult, and she signed up for Officer Candidate School. "We were reared by our parents to pursue our gifts," she said. "The Navy was very welcoming."

Meanwhile, John and Janis met through mutual friends, fell in love and got married. Coincidentally, Janis already knew Jeff from San Diego, where both were assigned to the Navy's Balboa Medical Center.

John kept training pilots and flying planes, including the C-5 Galaxy, an ungainly behemoth that he said "holds 12 Greyhound buses or 20 million ping-pong balls." He



Retired Air Force Col. John Scherer, and his wife, retired Vice Adm. Ann Rondeau, near the Lone Cypress. Rondeau is president of the Naval Postgraduate School.

said he'd never had any close calls as a trainer, although he allowed that he'd "lost a couple of engines" over the years, and once had a bird strike take out an engine during take-off in North Dakota. (Unlike Capt. Sully, however, John touched down on dry land.)

He went on to work at the Pentagon, and was deputy base commander at Dover Air Force Base in Delaware, where the remains of service members who die overseas are returned to U.S. soil. "It's an extremely sobering facility," he remembered.

Ann completed her master's degree at Georgetown University, and although it took nine years, she finished a doctorate in education at Northern Illinois University while still on active duty.

Her career has included a tour at the U.S. Naval Academy, and she was a White House Fellow, participating in a leadership program that allows people to work alongside high-level government officials.

### 'Providential'

In 2001, Rondeau became commander of the Naval Training Center-Great Lakes. She was promoted to vice admiral (equivalent to a three-star general) in 2006, and retired from the Navy in 2012. From there, she went into education and later became president of the College of DuPage, Illinois' largest community college.

John retired from the Air Force in 2001, then spent 17 years as general manager of his sister-in-law's dairy distribution company in Wisconsin. He and Janis had three children, but in the mid-2000s, she was diagnosed with a rare form of cancer.

Ann and John were with Janis as she fought the disease for more than 10 years. After Janis died, Ann and John got together, and married in 2019. "We'd known each other for

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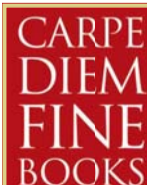
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# SCHOOLS

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is when we'll be doing that."

"The elementary schools are already in hybrid but will come back full time, and the middle school and high school will be open full time," Dellis said.

"My understanding is we'll be the only school district that will be open," she said.

The timing is fortuitous, because many of the district's teachers and staff will be getting their second Covid-19 vaccinations at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula on Friday, according to Dellis. "The last I heard, 85 percent of our teachers and staff have been vaccinated at least with the first one."

### The last seven weeks

While the recommendation on distancing has changed, many other state guidelines for protecting against the spread of coronavirus remain, including sanitizing, air-flow and other measures, and Dellis said keeping kids and teachers masked as much as possible will be even more

important with many of them back on campus. Teachers are still recommended to stay at least 6 feet away from each other and their students, and when kids or adults are unmasked, such as while eating, they should keep that distance, too.

Dellis said parents were asked Tuesday night to decide whether their children will come back to class or remain at home for the last seven weeks of the school year. For many who have been demanding for months that their kids be allowed to return to class and who have been decrying the abysmal conditions created by distance learning, the inquiry no doubt came as a relief.

But the schools will also offer distance learning for any students who don't feel comfortable returning for in-person learning, according to Dellis, and faculty and staff are working through the technology and other aspects of the transition.

"The intent is to still have those teachers on Zoom working with distance learning, and other teachers on campus," she said.

Of course, the board has to sign off on it all and will have the opportunity to do so at a special meeting set for 8:30 a.m. March 26. Those who want to participate can find information at [carmelunified.org](http://carmelunified.org), and the meeting

will be streamed on the CUSD board's YouTube channel for those who just want to watch.

"The school principals will be doing their own informational meetings next week," and will address specific logistics like drop-off and pickup, Dellis said.

## New director at museum

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE PACIFIC Grove Museum of Natural History has still not welcomed back the public to its Central Avenue facility, but officials with the venue announced this week it has a new executive director.


A press release Wednesday from the museum said it had hired Carla Bitter, "whose 20-year museum career has spanned field archaeology, science museum and zoo programs, outreach and exhibit development, and includes a career highlight as the education and public outreach manager for NASA's Phoenix Mars Lander Mission."

The museum did not disclose Bitter's salary, but according to 2019 tax forms, the museum paid her predecessor, Jeanette Kihs, \$87,009 annually.

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# Amid the fog of the pandemic, the Bixby Ballers were undaunted

ONCE UPON a time, before God created social media and PlayStation, children willingly played outdoors, sometimes all day long, usually with other children. True story.

Not long after the invention of Pong (ask your grandparents), such behavior became increasingly unfashionable, creating generations of pasty-skinned chubsters with morose, surly dispositions and carpal tunnel syndrome.

## Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

In the year 2020 AD, a deadly pandemic savaged mankind, marooning kids inside their homes, where bedroom walls oddly seemed to close in, siblings became insufferable, and parents turned to yoga, meditation, antidepressants and Netflix to stave off homicidal urges.

### A plan to save civilization

Into this hellscape strolled Schuyler Horn and Will Casertano, wielding strange-looking sticks and a bold plan to save civilization.

Horn is co-founder and director of the Bixby Ballers lacrosse program, and head coach of the boys lacrosse team at Pacific Grove High. Casertano is his partner with the Ballers and coaches lacrosse at Stevenson School in Pebble Beach.

While school sports were canceled and most other youth athletic programs were shut down, they collaborated on a blueprint to give kids an outlet for their months of pent-up energy and frustration — safely.

How safe? The Ballers had 75 kids registered for their fall programs, another 70 for the winter season, and they've had zero coronavirus infections. None.

"Summer, for us, is a significant time when we offer camps and put together travel teams, but

in the summer of 2020 we couldn't operate," said Horn, a former goalkeeper at Wheaton College in Norton, Mass., where, by the time he graduated, he ranked No. 2 on the school's all-time list for minutes played in a season and was fourth in school history in wins, saves and minutes. "The pandemic forced us to take a step back and look at ways that we could offer programs that would not only be meaningful, but also would be safe. Luckily, we've been able to do that."

When almost 150 kids safely interact over a period of several months during a pandemic, luck deserves some credit, but save some praise for diligence.

### A new philosophy

Horn and Casertano — formerly a standout attacker at Villanova University in Philadelphia — began by adjusting the entire philosophy of the Bixby Ballers, which was born in 2018 with a travel team of 18 players from Palma, Salinas, Carmel, Stevenson and San Benito high schools. That summer culminated with a six-team tournament in which the Ballers lost in the finals to MOJO, a club composed mostly of players from Bellarmine Prep, the San Jose powerhouse.

In 2019, the program grew to 50 kids, and consisted of two travel teams and a summer camp.

All athletics were suspended by the pandemic in the

summer of 2020 — time Horn and Casertano used to devise a new blueprint for their program. They temporarily shelved Bixby Baller travel teams (all California tournaments were canceled, anyway) and pivoted entirely to training their athletes to become better individual players, practicing exclusively outdoors, socially distanced in small pods, 6-11 players in a pod.

### Youngbloods

"Will and I also realized that we needed to put our own egos aside and get more coaches involved," Horn said. "An upside of the pandemic was that a lot of guys who had played high school lacrosse, and some who also had played in college, had come back to the area."

The Ballers recruited and hired those players as coaches, supplied them with masks, lacrosse equipment (including goals that folded up to fit in a car), and customized curriculums that included videos of specific training drills.

"Our pods are broken into position-specific training — offensive skills, defensive skills, goalie training, and universal training, where we teach a little bit of everything to our intermediate players," Horn said.

"We're able to stay social-distanced when we're working outdoors on individual mechanics. If you're playing

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Bixby Ballers founder and director Schuyler Horn (above, at left), was a goalie at Wheaton College. His partner, Will Casertano, was an attacker at Villanova. The club's 2018 travel squad (right) included players from the Peninsula, Salinas and Hollister.



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# SPORTS

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catch with a lacrosse ball, you're automatically going to be at least 10 yards apart. If you're closer than that, it doesn't work."

Coaches also were provided with cones to mark the socially distanced spot where each player should drop his workout bag and do any pre-practice routines. They wore masks and distributed them to their players.

When word got out that the Bixby Ballers intended to reconvene last fall, it wasn't a tough sell. Kids and their parents were energized by the opportunity to bust loose, and the program expanded as it christened its third year.

Horn and Casertano added a girls' program (coached by former U.S. Naval Academy lacrosse player Codi Mullen) with about 20 players, a pod composed of kids from the Toro Park/Spreckels area, and recently hired a director Joseph Hayashi, to oversee a program in Salinas.

They also have launched a mini-mites program for kids up to 8 years old. The youngest is 3.

### Yin and yang

"Will and I have been good fit," Horn said. "There's a yin and yang there, but we work together well. As an attacker, he has a lot of offensive knowledge, and as a goal-keeper, I know a lot about the defensive side."

Casertano teaches history at Stevenson, where he also is an admissions officer. Horn is a graduate of Middlebury Institute of International Studies, where he studied international education management and Spanish. He now runs the Bixby Ballers fulltime.

"I'm very fortunate to be doing something I love, something I'm passionate about," he said. "Being an entrepreneur isn't for everyone, but I'm a creative person, and I like waking up every morning with a new problem to solve. I think playing goalie, where you always have your back to the wall and the odds stacked against you, helped prepare me for that part."

Additional information about the Bixby Ballers can be found at [bixbyballerslax.com](http://bixbyballerslax.com).

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# BIKE

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ping for his mother the next morning when he saw a group of men standing around a bike that seemed out of place.

"I was getting something for my mom at Smart & Final and came back to the car with some drinks for her, looked up and saw this red bicycle," he said. He recognized it as the e-bike stolen from Blevins and Watson — who opened their first Peninsula bike shop on Mission Street in Carmel several years ago — so he called Seaside P.D.

"There was a group of gentlemen standing around talking about it," he said. "One of them held up the charger, and I thought, 'That's definitely the bike, 100 percent.'"

### Bike returned

After calling the police, Dallas phoned Watson to tell him what he'd seen and then went into Home Depot. He said he didn't confront anyone in the group, but when he came back out of the store, he saw the bike in someone's truck and started taking photos. It then got moved to another vehicle, which was subsequently stopped by police, according to Dallas.

"Seaside P.D. located the bicycle with an individual who was cooperative and had purchased it from another person," Andrews confirmed.

"I was just there at the right place at the right time," Dallas said.

Officers returned the stolen bike and charger to the shop's owners and are pursuing leads, including reviewing extensive security camera footage from inside and outside the shop.

"The thief got away, but the Seaside and Monterey police are in hot pursuit. He's driving a white van with Washington plates," Watson and Blevins posted online, along with a photo of the bike next to a Monterey P.D. Ford Explorer. "Be on the lookout and call the police if you see a van fitting this description."



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# Editorial

## Too big for our britches

THIS NEWSPAPER has a lot of trouble getting Jimmy Panetta to answer our questions, particularly on controversial topics, and we've been wondering why that is.

It's certainly not because we haven't tried. From the moment he announced his candidacy, we gave him lots of attention — covering his campaign more than any other news outlet, putting his picture on the front page numerous times and reporting pretty much every word he said.

And as soon as he was elected, we treated his ascension to the office occupied by his famous father for 16 years as something to celebrate. In January 2017, reporter Kelly Nix traveled to Washington D.C. to cover Panetta's swearing in, and the publisher of The Pine Cone, Paul Miller, made a special trip to Washington just a few weeks later to meet with Panetta to explain the newspaper's goals for covering his time in office. We even gave Nix (who went to high school with Panetta) an unlimited budget to travel to Washington to report on anything Panetta did that was newsworthy — which seemed likely to be plenty, considering that Panetta assumed office at the same time President Donald Trump did.

Needless to say, those first years in office would be eventful for Panetta. And, being Panetta's hometown newspaper, we figured we should be first and foremost when it came to covering him.

Unfortunately, soon after Panetta settled into his job, The Pine Cone started having trouble getting him to answer questions on the phone, or even in writing. At first, we thought he must have been uncomfortable speaking out very much, the way any rookie would. And then we thought, maybe he'd been told to keep quiet when it came to national news so that his party's leadership — Nancy Pelosi and Chuck Schumer — could have the stage while they tried to figure out how to remove Trump from office. Since the Democrats were the minority party in Washington, getting Panetta to speak to us was more a matter of letting him play the critic, rather than explaining the policies he supports. In other words, for the last four years, there was no great need for the public to hold Panetta accountable since he wasn't responsible for much. His refusal to keep his door open to The Pine Cone was mystifying, but didn't really hurt anything.

But Panetta has been reelected twice now, so his honeymoon is long over. Meanwhile, Trump is gone, and the Democrats are in control of not only the White House, but the House and the Senate. They are in charge — which means Panetta suddenly has a very important role to play in determining the future, not only of Monterey County, but of the whole country. And that means the public has every right to expect him to explain himself as he acts on their behalf. Since we have so many readers, we have a responsibility to ask Panetta the questions the public wants answered. Or so we thought.

In the last few weeks, the situation at the border has become critical. Thousands of would-be immigrants are arriving every day, most of them hoping to enter the United States under this country's asylum laws, which the Biden administration is suddenly interpreting more expansively not only than Trump did, but than any president ever. Under Biden's policies, even the thinnest reason is apparently enough to quickly be granted legal status in this country, along with not only a work permit, but free healthcare and access to a wide range of government benefits. Obviously, a great many people from all parts of the globe would like to avail themselves of this opportunity.

Does Panetta support the policies that have created the very difficult situation at the border? That's one of the questions we tried to ask him last week. Also, should there be a limit on the number of people who qualify for asylum every year? Does Panetta believe migrants should have a coronavirus test before being admitted to the country? Does he support the way the Biden administration is handling the detention of unaccompanied children?

Instead of answers, all we got was a statement that Panetta was too busy with Congress-type stuff to respond. We covered the situation last week in our front-page story, "Panetta silent as border situation worsens."

Over the weekend, he did speak out, but not by contacting us or answering our questions. Instead, he issued a rambling, haphazard statement in which he acknowledged the "deluge of asylum seekers" at the border and the "10,000 unaccompanied minors" in the care of the Department of Health and Human Services, along with "5,000 more in the care of Customs and Border Protection." But after blaming Trump for having "shamefully inhumane and shamelessly political border policies," Panetta offered no clue about how the immigration crisis should be resolved, except to say that "resources to properly and compassionately deal with our border challenges must be increased."

And then he offered this observation: "It is perturbing and pitiful to see immigration reform and the situation at the southern border become such a politicized and polarized topic by the past president to local small-town newspapers."

So now we get it. Jimmy Panetta doesn't want to be bothered answering questions from The Pine Cone because we're just a local, small-town newspaper.

Thank you for putting us in our place, Mr. Panetta. We promise to be much more respectful of your wisdom in the future.

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### Lockdowns irrelevant

Dear Editor,

Monterey County has been allowed to loosen from the harsh Purple Tier to the milder Red Tier. Thus, the editor of The Pine Cone says the recent, very slight uptick in cases is understandable "especially with businesses reopening and people socializing more."

But the evidence suggests that the level of coronavirus has little to do with restrictions on socializing and business. Look at last fall, for example. For several months, most of California had been locked into the Purple Tier with a relatively low number of cases. People were wearing masks and social distancing. Business was severely restricted. Yet cases skyrocketed in November. If the lockdown had worked, wouldn't cases have stayed steady or even fallen?

No, the problem was that seasonal ramping-up, which dominates every year in respiratory illness, overwhelmed everything else. The lockdown was useless.

Then by mid-January after the winter solstice, cases plummeted. What happened? Did the lockdown suddenly again become magic for some unknown reason? The reason for the decline isn't exactly clear, but it has continued for two months, aided gradually by increasing numbers of people who have been vaccinated.

Governor Newsom's color-coded scheme is based on a lot of wishful thinking. One might hope that a compassionate dictator could wave a colored wand and decrease suffering and death. But that's a fairy tale. We're dealing with an infectious outbreak that we're still trying to figure out. Let's stop penalizing people based on a simplistic view of reality.

Tom Lee, Monterey

### 'Utterly dismayed'

Dear Editor,

After reading Kelly Nix's article regarding Jimmy Panetta's border crisis silence, I am utterly dismayed.

I have watched precious friends, neighbors and most importantly immune-compromised family members sheltering in place, wearing masks, and social distancing for over a year because we all shared one common goal, fighting the spread of Covid-19. Now the border is out of control as coronavirus-infected border crossers are freely walking into our country to infect us again. Panetta's silence is a slap in our faces. Most importantly, the bad policies he supports are a perilous threat to every citizen of his district, both medically and financially.

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# How a shoe store owner ended up with a monument in Monterey

MONTEREY'S BERTOLD Monument is more than 100 years old. You may have seen it in Friendly Plaza outside Colton Hall and assumed it has always been there. It hasn't been. The odds are you didn't know the name of the monument and never heard of George Bertold. Another thing you might not know is that it has something in common with the house on the northeast corner of Dolores and Ninth

Polk chaired the architectural committee for the 1915 Panama-Pacific Exhibition in San Francisco and was in the early stages of planning for it when Monterey artists Francis McComas and Charles Dickman called on him to design the Bertold Monument in 1913. While little of it is remembered today, the story of Bertold's gift to the city is an interesting one, and its impact was more than just decorative.

For many years, George Bertold operated a shoe store at 416 Alvarado Street. The German native never married and died on July 23, 1909, shortly before his 51st birthday. As he neared

death, he was moved to the new Monterey Heights Sanitarium at the corner of Clay and Franklin. There he prepared a will which left \$10,000 to the city to create a park and monument to beautify the grounds around Colton Hall. He also left \$2,000 to a half-brother in Switzerland, whom he was not sure was still alive, as they hadn't spoken in 26 years. The rest he left to the shoe store's employees, Bernard Druck and Otto Ternes.

At the time Bertold died, Monterey's municipal offices were scattered around town. With the funds now provided for a park at Colton Hall, city trustees arranged to make the historic but underutilized struc-

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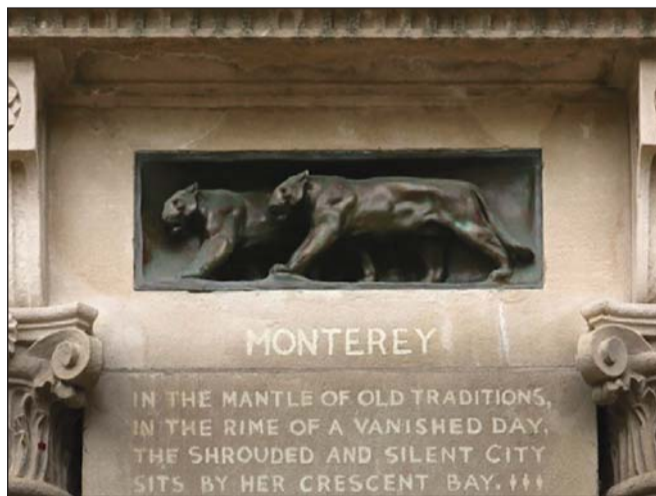
By NEAL HOTELLING

in Carmel. Both were designed by Willis Polk.

Polk was a key architect and urban planner in San Francisco following the 1906 earthquake. His masterworks diversely include San Francisco's Merchants Exchange Building and the Filoli estate near Woodside.

### A vacation home

Polk's parents were among the first to buy a lot from the Carmel Development Co. in 1903. They had moved from Kansas City to Berkeley in 1899 to be near their son. The home Polk designed for them in Carmel was a vacation home. They did not enjoy it long, as Polk's mother died in 1906 and his father in 1907.



A c. 1940 postcard of Colton Hall (below) shows the Bertold Monument in the location where it was installed in 1914. Daniel O'Connell's 1873 poem "Monterey" was selected by Willis Polk for the face of the Bertold monument (left). Inset above it is Arthur Putnam's bronze sculpture of a pair of pumas.

PHOTOS/(BELOW) FROM NEAL HOTELLING'S COLLECTION, (LEFT) FLICKR



# He got pine needles in her clay

IT WAS love at first touch for Ed and Vanessa Bredthauer, husband and wife for 47 years.

She took a ceramics class at Monterey Peninsula College from her good friend, Peggy Kodl, and knew she had found her bliss the moment she began shaping clay in her hands.

He sat down one morning, 20-plus years ago, in a circle of friends in Yosemite National Park to learn pine-needle basketry from Carol White, another local artist.

## Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

He stayed until dinnertime, and he's been weaving ever since.

Vanessa spun her shapely, colorful ceramics at Peninsula Potters, a 53-year-old studio/gallery on Sunset Drive in Pacific Grove. Ed wove his pine needles into imaginative configurations at their P.G. home. And one day, out of the blue, Cupid's arrow struck. We all know how it happens; we're all adults here. He looked at hers ... she looked at his ... and the sparks flew.

They began combining their talents to create one-of-a-kind pieces — his weavings with her ceramics — in remarkably fanciful ways. Their work is represented locally by Peninsula Potters, and in Yosemite by the Ahwahnee Hotel. It also was shown for several years at Ventana Big Sur Resort, and for six months at a gallery in Santa Fe.

### Little ball of magic

"Even before I made anything, I loved the feeling of the clay spinning in my hands. I don't know exactly why, but I think it was just the idea that it's possible

to create something magical out of this little ball," said Vanessa, who taught third- and fourth-graders on the Peninsula for 32 years — 14 at Ord Terrace Elementary in Seaside, 18 at Bay View Elementary in Monterey.

"I mostly taught crafts, but also art — I took art classes, myself, so I could teach my students — and I kept thinking, 'When I retire, I'm going to take care of myself,'" she said. "A friend talked me into taking that ceramics class from Peggy, and I've been a ceramicist for 40 years."

The elaborate designs of Ed's artwork can be traced to his professional career. He was an architect — briefly in Southern California, then on the Peninsula — honing design skills that transferred creatively into his weavings.

### 'I was the only one left'

"A dozen of us sat down that day in Yosemite with Carol, who showed us how to get started, what kind of needle we could use, and all of that," he remembered. "As time passed, people broke away to go swim in the pool, go for a hike, or have a drink. And by the end of the day, I was the only one left. I made a coaster, a Frisbee, and a hubcap, and just kept going from there."

His father began as a cartoonist for Warner Bros. — he drew Elmer Fudd, among other characters — but detoured into a successful career in architecture. Ed, who grew up on the beaches of Malibu, had early ideas of becoming a marine biologist, but also chose architecture while earning his degree from Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo

That's where he met Vanessa, who grew up in San Mateo and was the first and only person in her family to go to college. She graduated with a home economics degree, but no plans at the time to become an educator.

After graduation and marriage, they moved to Santa Monica, where Ed had an architecture job waiting, and Vanessa worked in Beverly Hills, first for a stockbroker, then at a wholesale fabric house.

### One and out

"Vanessa told me she was willing to live in Southern California for one year — that's it — and exactly one year from the day we moved in, I pulled a U-Haul up to our apartment, loaded our stuff, and off we went," he said.

"We quit our jobs, with no other jobs lined up, and started driving up the coast," she said. "A friend had a place for us to stay in Carmel Highlands, and we immediately fell in love

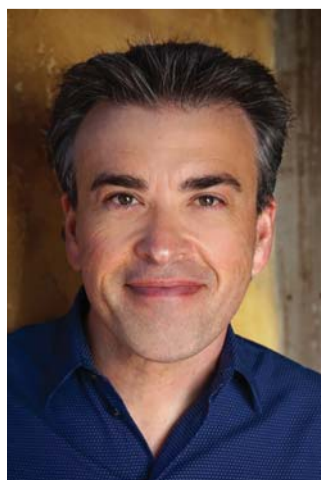


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Pine-needle weaver Ed Bredthauer teams up with wife Vanessa, a ceramicist, to create unusual artwork in Pacific Grove.

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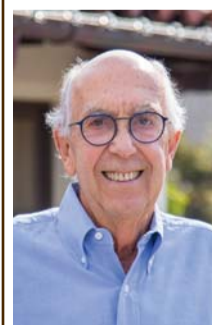
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ture the town hall. They consolidated offices on the lower level, where the city council had previously met and transformed the upper chamber for council meetings. This work was completed in November 1909, amid hopes of completing the beautification funded by Bertold the following year. But the city would have to wait.

Bertold was not as wealthy as he believed. Debts to store suppliers exceeded \$12,000, and the half-brother was not only alive, he threatened to contest the will. California law was clear: When multiple heirs existed, a charitable bequest must have been made more than 30 days prior to death to be valid.

Because Bertold's bequest was made fewer than 30 days prior, the city didn't have a legal claim. The executor settled

with the half-brother at \$3,500. That and the debts took all the cash, leaving Druck and Ternes high and dry — except that they became the owners of the profitable shop and its inventory.

They kept the store in business, and at an October 1910 meeting with city officials, they offered to provide \$5,000 to the city to help fulfill their benefactor's wishes. The money was to be paid after a year and would ostensibly come from the shoe store's profits.

It took longer to raise the money, but the men finally came through, and in mid-1913, McComas, Dickman and former Monterey Mayor Carmel Martin were appointed as the committee to bring about completion. They met at the site with Willis Polk in October 1913 to develop the plan.

A March 1914 article in the San Francisco Examiner article romanticized the story somewhat. "When Robert Louis Stevenson, sick and poor, came to Monterey, he had his shoes mended by George Bertold, the village shoemaker," the newspaper said. Because Stevenson's shoes needed so much mending, a "pleasant sort of friendship" developed between the two men, leading the shoemaker, at the end of his life, to provide \$5,000 for "a park and monument in honor of his old-time friend," the newspaper continued.

## Irish poet

The Examiner's story simultaneously cast doubt on the tale, relating that some people didn't believe Bertold ever met Stevenson, and that he really left the \$5,000 for a park and a monument in honor of himself, "the most prosperous shoemaker in all the history of Monterey." This version of the events was correct. Stevenson was in Monterey in 1879, while Bertold arrived in America in 1887 and opened his Monterey store the next year.

In April 1914, a drawing of the planned monument and gardens was on display at Bertold's shoe store. Polk's tall pedestal design was bracketed with Spanish-Mexican inspired columns and topped with an urn. The face of the monument featured Daniel

O'Connell's poem "Monterey" and included an inset of bronze pumas crafted by Arthur Putnam.

Irish-born O'Connell came to San Francisco in the 1860s and was a writer and college instructor. He also was a co-founder of San Francisco's Bohemian Club and married Mabel Ashley, daughter of attorney Delos R. Ashley, the partner of David Jacks in the acquisition of Monterey's vast land holdings in 1859. While O'Connell died in 1899, the poem was plucked from his 1881 book, "Lyrics."

Putnam was a renowned sculptor who specialized in animals and earlier had co-designed Monterey's Sloat Monument on the Presidio hill. Putnam suffered a stroke in 1911 but continued to work, despite limitations on his left side.

The monument's pieces were delivered to Monterey in early September 1914, and assembly was completed in October in a beautiful garden setting created by Tom Lee of Pacific Improvement Co., operator of the Hotel Del Monte and 17 Mile Drive. Several years later, the city added cement walks to the monument from Pacific Street and Colton Hall.

It wasn't until 1929 that artist E. Charlton Fortune proposed to create Friendly Plaza at the corner of Pacific and Jefferson. Artist Myron Oliver produced a model of the design, which the city approved in October 1930. With Fortune's plan came the

first suggestion to move the Bertold Monument from in front of Colton Hall.

Friendly Plaza was built in the 1930s, but the Bertold Monument remained where it was built in 1914. Periodically over the years, moving the monument was again discussed. Finally, a 1955 study resulted in its relocation to Friendly Plaza in 1956.

## Remembering friends

Although not true, the romantic tale of the friendship between Bertold and Stevenson makes its inclusion as part of Friendly Plaza seem appropriate. We can further associate the monument with the friendship of artists McComas, Dickman, Polk and Putnam who completed the project at the same time they were working together on the 1915 Panama-Pacific International Exhibition. There is also the friendship of Druck and Ternes, who continued to operate Bertold Shoe Co. until their deaths in 1920 and 1921.

And of course, everyone involved should be remembered as friends of the city. Whether you've visited the Bertold Monument before or not, take your friends to Friendly Plaza soon, and remember the friends of a bygone era and their gift to the community.

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The Bertold Monument in its current location not far from Colton Hall in Monterey.

# LIVES

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40 years by then, and we both loved Janis," said John. They have heartfelt Christian beliefs and say they consider their union to be "providential."

## Wright brothers

John volunteers on the board of the Yellow Brick Road benefit shop and is a member of the Rotary Club of Monterey, and he still loves to fly. In February, he got a new plaque to hang on the wall of their Monterey home — The Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award, presented by the FAA for "50 years of exemplary aviation flight experience, distinguished professionalism, and steadfast commitment to aviation safety."

"Some people have hobbies, but John wants to know everything about aviation," from how the planes are built, to training and pilot safety and the "evolution of young people who want to fly," said Ann. She added that Janis' support as an understanding military spouse was vital to John's

success on the ground and in the air.

John and Jeff still fly together, although Jeff lives in Wisconsin. They keep their airplane — a Beechcraft Bonanza — in Monterey, which Jeff said "is a good excuse to come and visit my brother during the Wisconsin winter."

# CAMERAS

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led to his capture and arrest for several thefts and burglaries after a former classmate saw a still from the video and identified him.

"We ended up catching that guy because of that camera," Watkins said.

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director of golf, told The Pine Cone.

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This aerial photo provided by the Pebble Beach Company shows the redesigned Peter Hay golf course, now called The Hay.

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The short course has a new logo in the form of a sea lion with a red flagstick in its mouth. The design was inspired by a 1938 promotional shoot at Del Monte, where Peter Hay was the head pro from 1919 to 1942.

The other eight holes’ yardages correspond to memorable years in Pebble Beach history, such as Hole No. 9, which is 100 yards.

# ARTISTS

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with everything we saw here.”

Ed was hired as a draftsman in Carmel Valley by Stone Post and Flower, an architectural company known for building structures — often barns — that use poles, rather than the walls, to support the roof.

“I got to ride my bicycle to work every day from Pacific Grove, which was great, but that got a little tiresome after a while, so I went to work closer to home for Ted Larson, stayed there about 10 years, then started my own business, and did that until I retired,” he said.

Vanessa was hired by television icon Merv Griffin to

work as a secretary and general manager for the Carmel Craftsman Catalogue, a business intended to market art exclusive to Carmel.

“I thought it was a marvelous idea, but it turned out to be a collection of art that was, in my opinion, not very good, and a lot of it was made in Southern California,” she said. “I finally decided I needed to do something besides help other people make money, which is when I went back to school for my teaching credential.”

Vanessa earned her credential from UC Santa Cruz, and began teaching at Ord Terrace in 1976, retiring from Bay View in 2008 to begin her personal journey with art.

### ‘Parallel play’

“People think Ed and I collaborate, but we really don’t. We call it ‘parallel play,’ an education term referring to toddlers who will play side by side but don’t necessarily play together,” she said. “That’s what we do. I go to the pottery studio, play around, have fun. Ed picks one — often a piece that isn’t one of my favorites — takes it home, and weaves something amazing to finish the vision. And it’s always, always, always much better than I ever imagined it could be.”

A high point for the couple was an invitation to show their work in November and December 2019 at the Monterey Museum of Art, where almost everything sold.

“That was a big moment for us,” Vanessa said. “Ed and I walked out of there saying, ‘Wow ... I guess we really are artists!’”

“Ed’s techniques, stitching and intricate work are awe-inspiring to me,” Vanessa said. “A few other artists combine ceramics with pine-needle weaving, but nobody does it like Ed. I’ve always said it was museum quality.”

Ed and Vanessa, both 73, have a daughter, Alison Robinson, who teaches school in Colorado, and a 3 1/2-year-old granddaughter, Hadley.

“She’s very artistic,” Vanessa boasted.

Their work can be seen at pinepotters.com, or in person Wednesday through Friday, noon to 3 p.m., at Peninsula Potters, 2078 Sunset Drive in Pacific Grove.

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

# GAVEL

From page 4A

In December 2019, 7-year-old Jane Doe disclosed to a school nurse that her chest hurt. When the nurse inspected her chest, she observed multiple suction bruises (commonly known as hickeys) on Jane Doe’s breasts. Doe was initially hesitant to say where she received the bruises but ultimately said her mother’s boyfriend, Flores, gave her the bruises with his mouth. Police were notified and an investigation ensued.

In a subsequent forensic interview, Doe disclosed that Flores had been sexually abusing her for months, and alleged multiple graphic instances of substantial sexual conduct. Doe described how one time, while Flores abused her, he put “white pee” on her dress. Doe provided many details that would not have been possible to memorize or learn secondhand that she was scared to disclose because Flores told her that no one would believe her. When police interviewed Flores, he denied the allegations.

Flores will have to register as a sex offender for life upon release.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

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Case Number 20PR000121

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

Date: May 12, 2021  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
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Address: Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

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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: Samantha Hart Farren, Esq. 9057-B Soquel Drive, Suite F Aptos, CA 95003 (831) 688-2026

This statement was filed by Superior Court of California, County of Monterey on March 24, 2021.

Publication dates: March 26, April 2, 9, 2021. (PC343)

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Mar. 12, 2021.

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“In 2000, Tiger Woods crushed the field at the 100th U.S. Open Championship at Pebble Beach,” the company said.

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“This casual indoor and outdoor” restaurant is set to open this fall, the company said.

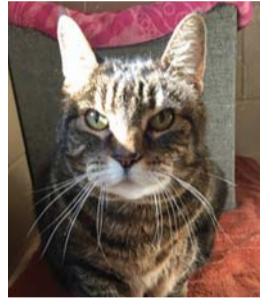
In early 2019, the Pebble Beach Company stripped the old Peter Hay course of its greens and graded the site ahead of the 2019 U.S. Open at Pebble Beach that June. In December of that year, the company announced it had partnered with Woods for a revamp of the 9-hole course.

“Pebble Beach has always been a special place to me,” Woods — who was champion of the 2000 U.S. Open in Pebble Beach — said at the time. “It’s an honor for me to partner with Pebble Beach Company to design a new short course at such an iconic location.”

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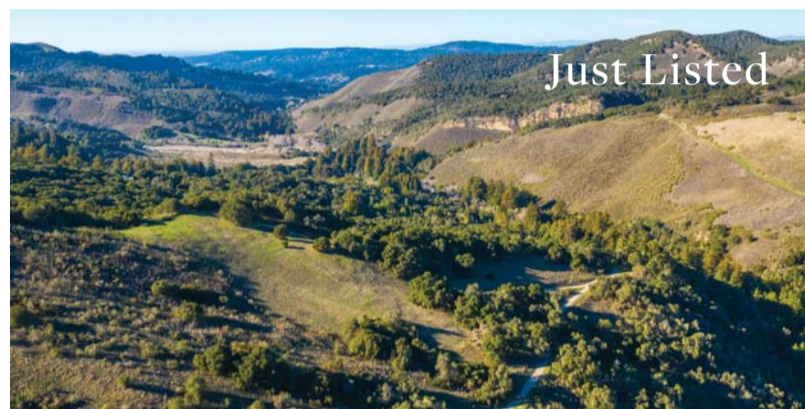
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# HEALTHY *Lifestyles*

Some things don't change — smoking will take your breath away

By ELAINE HESSER

**WAY BACK** on Jan. 11, 1964, when then-U.S. Surgeon General Luther L. Terry released a report linking smoking to lung cancer, he unleashed a torrent of educational and cautionary materials, from ubiquitous public service announcements and warnings on cigarette packs, to health textbooks sounding the alarm about tobacco use.



Dr. Lulu Zhang

Nearly 60 years later, that onetime symbol of Hollywood glamor and Bohemian cool — smoking — is banned in most indoor and many outdoor locations in California.

Nevertheless, lung and bronchial cancers remain the deadliest forms of cancer not only in the world, but the United States and right here in Monterey County.

The California Cancer Registry, a program of the state's department of public health, issued a report on cancer deaths in December 2015, covering four years from 2008 to 2012. For Monterey County men, the death rate from lung cancer was 38.4 per 100,000 people, and 27.9 for women. That's higher than either prostate cancer for men or breast cancer for women, even though those diseases are more common.

Somewhere between 80 and 90 percent of lung cancer cases are caused by cigarette use, according to the Centers for Disease Control. Exposure to secondhand smoke and toxic chemicals — asbestos, radon and silicon, to name a few — also increases that risk.

**Few symptoms**

Dr. Lulu Zhang of Pacific Cancer Care has seen her share of the disease. As a medical oncologist and hematologist (one who studies blood),

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## Understanding skin cancer: from basal cell carcinoma to malignant melanoma

By SALLY BAHO

**YOUR SKIN** is your body's largest organ, and the most exposed, so naturally it's prone to damage. It shouldn't be surprising, then, that the CDC says skin cancer is the most common form of cancer in the United States. So how can we stay safe and still enjoy living in one of the most beautiful and temperate places in the world? Let's start with the basics of skin cancer and then go into specifics and treatment.

"Skin cancer is the out-of-control growth of abnormal skin cells," according to the Skin Cancer Foundation, a nonprofit devoted to helping people detect and prevent the disease. Ultraviolet rays can cause mutations and damage to DNA, which can cause skin cells to multiply rapidly, leading to tumors.

This type of damage is different from normal aging (also related to UV light absorption), which is the breakdown of collagen in the skin, explained Dr. James Rheim, a dermatologist with Rheim

Dermatology-Cosmetic Laser Center in Monterey. Collagen is what gives skin its tautness, so when it is damaged, we look older.

### Triple threat

Rheim explained that there are numerous types of skin cancer but the three most common are: basal cell carcinoma, squamous cell carcinoma, and malignant melanoma.

The least harmful and most common type, basal

**SKIN** *cont. on page 38A*

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# Nothing to worry about here — this ‘electrician’ is on the job

By ELAINE HESSER

**YOUR HEART** is a marvel of nature. It's a fairly simple pump, but its 35-million-or-so beats per year are powered and synchronized by chemicals and electrical impulses in ways we don't fully understand, despite the advances of modern technology.

Dr. Harlan Grogin knows that as well as anyone. He practices at CHOMP and Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital, and it's been nearly 40 years since he graduated from New York University's School of Medicine.

The New York native completed his internship and residency in internal medicine at Barnes Hospital, Washington University Medical Center, in St. Louis, Mo. He was a cardiology fellow at Stanford University Medical Center and a fellow in electrophysiology at the University of California, San Francisco.

All of that makes him a cardiac electrophysiologist. To explain what he does, Grogin likes to compare the human body to a car, with the heart as its engine.

"You have fuel lines, or plumbing, and you have the wiring. Most people have heart attacks for plumbing reasons — the blood doesn't get to the heart muscle, or there's a defect — a structural problem." For that, you need a plumber, also known as an interventional cardiologist. But, if the wiring is amiss, that's where Grogin comes in.

## Frogs' legs, anyone?

He's been at SVMH since 1995, and according to his official hospital bio, he established the hospital's

electrophysiology program — which he now directs — soon after.

Scientists have known about the role electricity plays in the body since 1780, when Luigi Galvani, an Italian doctor and physicist, was doing research with his wife, Lucia. They discovered that a spark of electricity could make the legs of dead frogs move. In 1947, a defibrillator was used for the first time to shock someone's heart back into a normal rhythm, and pacemakers to treat slow heartbeats have been around since 1958.

Arrhythmias — abnormal rhythms or heartbeats — are the sort of electrical problems Grogin deals with. "Your heart might be beating too fast, too slow, or both," he said.

The heart's two upper chambers, collectively called the atria, beat in coordination with the lower chambers, or ventricles, to circulate blood throughout the body. When the rhythm isn't correct, it can lead to problems. The most extreme — and familiar, if you watch medical dramas — is ventricular fibrillation, in which the heart just quivers, instead of pumping blood, and has to be shocked back into a normal rhythm to prevent death.

The decidedly less dramatic atrial fibrillation (often called AFib), however, is the most common type of irregular heartbeat. Grogin said it affects 10-15 percent of people over 70. Risk factors include old age, heart disease, obesity and diabetes, along with family history.

Although not everyone experiences symptoms, AFib can cause feelings of irregular or racing heartbeats, dizziness, shortness of breath, weakness, tiredness and fainting. "Episodes can last from a few seconds to hours, to days or even weeks," Grogin said.

Occasionally the condition resolves on its own,

but often, medical intervention is necessary, as AFib progresses and significantly increases a person's risk of stroke.

Grogin estimated that he performs more than 100 catheter ablations annually to treat arrhythmias. He inserts a 4-millimeter catheter (about half the diameter of a pencil) through a small incision in the femoral vein — a blood vessel in the leg — and then guides it to the heart. There, electrical current is used to create tiny scars, blocking the abnormal electrical signals that cause the problem.

"The procedure takes an average of two hours," he said, and most people are back to normal in about a week. He added that for about 20-30 percent of patients, a second treatment is necessary.

## Technical advances

In addition to being a skilled physician, Grogin is a gifted teacher who is also actively involved in clinical research trials. He recently gave an online "Ask the Experts" talk for SVMH on the Watchman Device, a tiny, umbrella-like object that can be implanted in the heart of a patient with AFib in about an hour. The device, which has been approved by the FDA since 2015, is designed to prevent a clot in a specific portion of the heart from escaping and causing a stroke, and can eliminate the need for blood thinners in patients who receive it.

Unsurprisingly, these sorts of advancements are the biggest changes Grogin said he's seen in taking care of the heart. He finds the number of medications available for all kinds of ailments, including heart problems astonishing in and of itself. "Half the drugs on the market now weren't there when I was in med school," he noted.

**GROGIN** *cont. on page 37A*



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## THE KITCHEN

### *Karen Anne's Everyday Parfait*

**THIS MONTH** may set a record for the shortest recipe in Healthy Lifestyles' history. Chef Karen Anne Murray of Eddison & Melrose, the tea shop at 1180 Forest Ave. in Pacific Grove, shared her Everyday Parfait, which is about as simple as it gets.

It's a great reminder that you don't have spend hours in the kitchen to create an indulgent treat that's just as good for breakfast as it would be for an afternoon snack. And, as evidenced by Murray's suggestion of serving the dish in teacups, it's worth taking a few extra minutes to make your food look nice.

A couple of cautions — check the sugar content in your yogurt. A lot of brands pack more than half of the recommended 30 grams per day for adults. Ironically, there is often more sugar in low-fat yogurts, as manufacturers overcompensate for the missing fat.

Also, make sure the granola you use isn't over-sweetened — by at least one estimate, Murray's crunchy mix has just 3 grams of sugar per serving, while some store brands have three times that much. While thawed frozen berries are an OK substitute, it's worth the effort to find them fresh.

#### INGREDIENTS

*Serves 4*

- 2 cups vanilla or other yogurt**
- 2 cups fresh berries (can substitute frozen and thawed)**
- 1 cup Karen Anne's Eddison & Melrose granola (see notes)**
- 4 teaspoons honey or maple syrup (optional)**

Divide and layer the yogurt and berries in parfait glasses, teacups or bowls (the fancier the better), sprinkle the granola on top, drizzle with a teaspoon of honey or maple syrup, and serve.



#### Chef Bio



Karen Anne Murray

**IN 2021**, Karen Anne Murray of Eddison & Melrose tearoom is reaching another milestone — it's been 35 years since she completed her training in Birmingham, England and began working as a chef. Named after her parents, Eddison & Melrose specializes in teatime creations and the manufacturing of Karen Anne's Granola. Born in England to Jamaican parents, Karen now lives with her family in California. In celebration of her business' 20th anniversary this year, Karen released the cookbook, "Tea Table: Inspiring Teatime Creations from California's Central Coast." She is a member of Les Dames d'Escoffier International.



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# HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

**LUNGS** *cont. from page 29A*

she and the medical professionals at the practice in Ryan Ranch treat many lung cancer patients.

She said that lung cancers can be sorted into two main categories — small cell, which accounts for 15-20 percent of cases, and the more common non-small-cell type. Both have links to tobacco and smoking.

“They differ in how they act in the body, how they look under the microscope, and how they are treated,” Zhang said. (More on that in a bit.)

Since both kinds are usually asymptomatic in their early stages, Zhang said annual screenings are recommended for those 55 to 74 years old with at least a 30-pack-year history of smoking.

**Low-dose scans**

Pack-years are calculated by multiplying how many packs of cigarettes a person smokes each day by the number of years they’ve been doing it. Someone who smokes two packs a day for 15 years — or three packs a day for 10 years — would have a 30-pack-year history.

Doctors use a low-dose CAT scan of the lungs (also referred to as a CT scan) to screen for the disease. The American Cancer Society says for

higher risk people, “getting yearly low-dose CT scans before symptoms start helps lower the risk of dying from lung cancer.” Zhang said the screening “lowers mortality by 20 percent, compared to chest X-rays.”

Once symptoms do show up, she said, “that’s the tricky part, because that means the cancer is at a later stage.”

Those symptoms include a cough that won’t go away, coughing up blood, chest pain, hoarseness, shortness of breath and frequent infections like bronchitis or pneumonia that never seem to completely heal. Later-stage cancer can spread to the liver, causing jaundice, or the brain, leading to headaches, dizziness and other neurological symptoms.

**Surgical options**

As doctors’ understanding of cancer has improved, so have treatments. Some small-cell lung cancers are treated with surgery, usually followed by radiation and/or chemotherapy. The ACS says that without preventive measures, about half of all small-cell cancers metastasize to the brain, so it also recommends preventive radiation therapy to the head.

For non-small-cell types of lung cancer, surgery is also an option, and can include everything from removing the tumor to taking out an entire lung, a procedure called a pneumonectomy. Radiofrequency ablation uses high-energy radio waves transmitted through a thin probe to treat “small lung tumors that are near the outer edge of the lungs,” the ACS says.



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Targeted chemotherapy engineered for some specific mutations is available, as are immunotherapies, which harness the body's immune system to fight the disease. A detailed guide to these and other approaches can be found at the ACS website, cancer.org.

Other treatments are on the horizon. Zhang said there were two clinical trials at Pacific Cancer Care that could benefit lung cancer patients, and many more are going on worldwide.

### Quitting

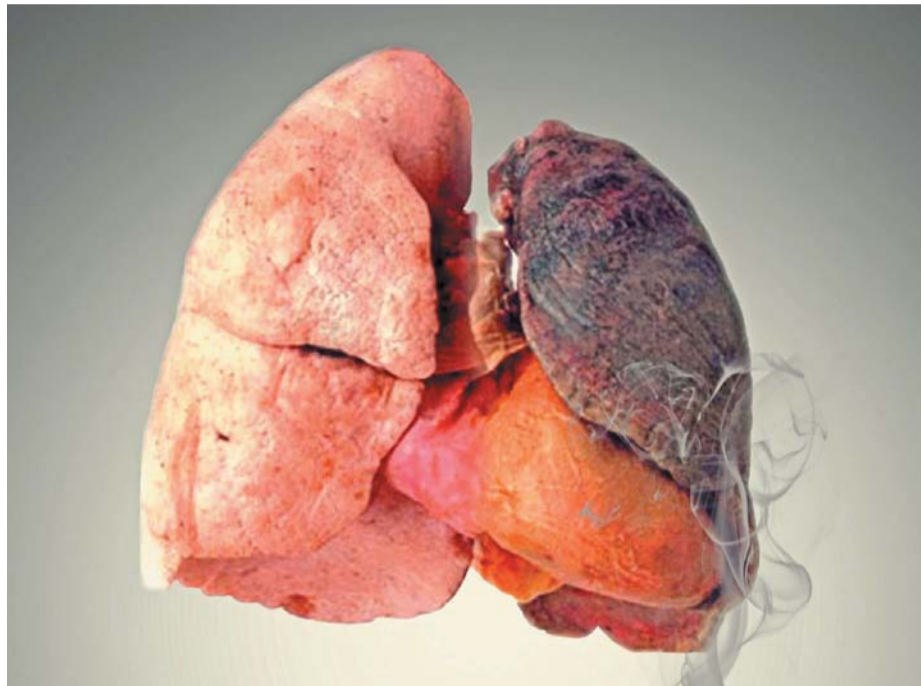
Of course, the best way to prevent lung cancer is to not smoke. If you took up the habit thinking you'd quit

one day, but now you're finding it very difficult, you're not alone. Smoking is one of the hardest things to stop.

The ACS reported, "In 2012, researchers reviewed 28 different studies of people who were trying to quit using the substance they were addicted to. They found that about 18 percent were able to quit drinking, and more than 40 percent were able to quit opiates or cocaine, but only 8 percent were able to quit smoking."

As soon as a person quits, the amazing human body begins to reverse tobacco's harmful effects, but, Zhang said, it can take 15 years for the lungs to return to something approximating a nonsmoker's.

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A February 2002 paper in the journal "Cancer Cell" suggested that "lung cancer in the USA is becoming a disease of former smokers." That's because although quitting lowers the odds of getting the disease, the authors said, "this decreased risk never reaches baseline levels," with "baseline" referring to the risk levels of life-long nonsmokers.

### Vaping?

Nicotine is not the only culprit — there are dozens of carcinogens in cigarette smoke — but it's the thing that keeps people lighting up. And while vaping may be a safer option than smoking, the ACS strongly cau-

tions that vaping has its own hazards and leads to smoking for many people, especially teenagers.

Exposure to secondhand smoke is known to be hazardous, though the level of risk hasn't been quantified. "I wish I could tell you how much exposure" is dangerous, Zhang said. The jury is still out on the cancer danger from smoking marijuana, as well.

Finally, it's important to remember that smoking tobacco contributes to a wide array of health problems, including heart disease, asthma, emphysema, high blood pressure, certain eye diseases, and cancers of the mouth and throat, liver, stomach and pancreas, to name a few. Even though it's tough, quitting is worthwhile. Better yet — don't start.

*How much you smoke and for how long both matter.*



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Grogin mentioned that cryoablation, or freezing heart tissue to correct problems, is a newer procedure, and that 3D mapping systems allow surgeons to be so much more exact

in their work. He also observed that more procedures can be done by reaching the heart through arteries or veins, decreasing the need to open a patient's chest for surgery.

"The technology is incredible," he said.

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# HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

**SKIN** cont. from page 30A

cell carcinoma usually occurs in people between 40 and 50 years old, and is more common in people with fair skin and a high level of sun exposure, explained Rheim. But the Skin Cancer Foundation noted that more people in their 20s and 30s are developing the condition due to indoor tanning. Basal cell carcinoma is so named because it develops in the basal cells, which are

part of the skin's epidermis — its outermost layer — and can look like bumps or nodules, open sores, white or waxy scar-like areas, or reddish patches. If detected early, the cure rate for BCC is nearly 100 percent. Treatments include surgical removal of the tumor, laser surgery, or a topical cream.

## Early detection

Squamous cell carcinoma, the second most common and dangerous of

the three, develops in a different type of skin cell, called a squamous cell. Rheim said that this one can metastasize, or spread to other parts of the body, which is why it is a higher risk. Squamous cell carcinoma has a nearly 100 percent cure rate if detected early, but does carry the risk of growing larger and deeper, making it potentially more dangerous and disfiguring. SCC is removed surgically; however, if it has metastasized, you need to "get an oncologist on board and do chemotherapy," said Rheim.

armpits and the groin.

Furthermore, there are numerous factors that can affect a person's likelihood of getting skin cancer, Rheim said. Exposure to UV rays increases risk, but there can also be a genetic predisposition — especially with melanoma — and overall poor health, excess alcohol consumption, smoking, lack of exercise, and poor diet can all contribute.

Rheim recognized there's some controversy about what constitutes a healthy amount of sun exposure.

"Less is better," he said, but people with more melanin, meaning darker skin, can tolerate more sun exposure at a lower risk for skin cancer than fair-skinned people. Further, there is no denying the psychological reward from being in the sun. Ultimately, it's a balance, Rheim said.

For prevention, the Skin Cancer Foundation recommends seeking shade, especially between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., avoiding sunbathing and getting burned, and never using UV tanning beds. Other recommendations include covering up with clothing, such as a broad-brimmed hat and UV-blocking sunglasses, and using a broad-spectrum sunscreen with at least 15 SPF.

The Skin Cancer Foundation's website, [skincancer.org](http://skincancer.org) is a great resource for more information, including images for at-home self-examinations. Ultimately, though, it is best to check with a dermatologist if you have a new skin growth. Rheim advised, "Be aware of what to look for," and if you do have a suspicious spot, "go to the proper source to have it checked out and possibly removed."

## KNOW YOUR ABCDE'S

**A** is for asymmetry, meaning a line through the middle of a mole wouldn't create matching halves.



**B** is for border irregularity. Common moles have smooth, round borders, while melanomas tend to have jagged edges.



**C** is for color variability, including a variety of shades of brown, tan and black.



**D** is for diameter. Melanomas tend to be larger than regular moles, but not always. It's best to observe growth.



**E** is for evolving — changes in size, shape, color, elevation, or any other trait may be cause for concern and an indication of a melanoma.



## Irregular mole

The last type of skin cancer we will explore is malignant melanoma, the most dangerous of the three. It arises from the melanocytes, the part of the skin that makes pigment, or our coloring. Fair-skinned people who burn easily are at an increased risk.

Melanoma usually shows up as an irregular mole, and can be identified using the ABCDE test (see sidebar). Rheim said, "If you don't come in early enough, it can kill you because it gets into your bloodstream and lymphatic system."

It's important to conduct regular self-examinations and check with your dermatologist if you see or feel something suspicious.

## Finding balance

Although skin cancer typically occurs where the skin is exposed to the sun — scalp, ears, face, hands and arms — Rheim explained that "Cancer doesn't follow a rulebook and there is a degree of random behavior."

He has seen skin cancer in areas unexposed to the sun, such as the



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## Roll over Beethoven, video game music shares top bill with masters

ALONG WITH paying tribute to master composers like Tchaikovsky and Beethoven, Youth Music Monterey's Sunday concert includes something quite unconventional — a soundtrack to a computer game.

YMM's Junior Youth Orchestra and Honors Orchestra will wrap up the concert by playing *Advent Rising: Bounty Hunter*, which comes from the soundtrack of a video game, "Advent Rising."

"Never have we played a soundtrack from a video

presentation, along with commentary about the program by Youth Music Monterey staff and music director Danko Drusko.

The concert is free and starts at 3 p.m. For more details, visit [youthmusicmonterey.org](http://youthmusicmonterey.org).

### ■ Symphony comes to P.G.

The Monterey Symphony has gone to great lengths this year to creatively keep its audience engaged, and on Friday, it presents for the first time a concert recorded in the Pacific Grove Library's Nancy and Steve Hauk Gallery.

The performance will call attention to a pair of musicians who have played with the symphony longer than just about anybody, the husband-wife team of Mark and Dawn Walker. "We're recording it on Friday and releasing it on Sunday," the symphony's executive director Nicola Reilly explained.

Besides being principal flute with the symphony, Dawn plays with the Bach Festival Orchestra. "She's one of the few musicians who we share between the two organizations," Reilly said.

A cellist who once played with the Monterey Symphony, Mark has been a member of Symphony Silicon Valley for more than three decades.

A violinist, Reilly will join the Walkers for a brief cameo. "I'm making an appearance for one movement," she added.

The program includes Arcangelo Corelli's *Sonata #1 Allegro in D Major (arr. for violin and cello)*, Heitor Villa-Lobos' *Bachianas Brasileiras #5*, Antonio Vivaldi's "Il Pastor Fido" *Pastorale*, Giovanni Battista Cirri's *Duo #1 Allegro Moderato*, Franz Doppler's *Air Valaques*, Joseph Haydn's *London Trio #3, Mvt. 1: Spiritoso*, and Astor Piazzolla's *Nightclub 1960*.

The concert, which starts at 4 p.m., is free. To watch it, visit [monterey-symphony.org](http://monterey-symphony.org).

### ■ Live music March 26-April 1

**Big Sur River Inn** — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (folk, Saturday at 1 p.m.). On Highway 1 24 miles south of

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## On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

game," Youth Music Monterey's executive director Sue Mudge told The Pine Cone. "Video game music is huge now — it's been used in pops concerts, and the San Francisco Symphony did a series of sold-out concerts playing video game music."

Mudge said Youth Music Monterey got the idea from Peter Scaturro, a Sony music producer who gave an online talk to local student-musicians in January. She said the students enjoy playing the piece.

"It's intense, verbose and eerie," she said. "It has a marching quality to it, and it has a lovely lyrical movement. It was a lot of fun for the brass to play — they really get a chance to cut loose."

The Junior Youth Orchestra will play an arrangement of Tchaikovsky's *Themes from Capriccio Italiane* by Richard Meyer, while the Honors Orchestra will also perform Beethoven's *Overture to Fidelio*.

Besides offering virtual concerts, the Monterey-based nonprofit music group offers "Fresh Perspectives," a series of online classes and interviews with master musicians. Video clips from those classes will be part of Sunday's



Singer-songwriter Johan Sotelo plays Friday and Sunday at Rio Grill, and Saturday at Folkale Winery.



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# A new MYO, Jerome's turns 5, wine and burgers, and Easter in a box

WHEN THE first MYO Frozen Yogurt opened on Cannery Row in 2009, locals were quickly smitten with the sweet treat's high quality and the hundred-plus topping choices. They also loved the fact

our spring and summer."

She also offered praise to her new landlord. "I want to give recognition to Cynthia and the Crossroads, because when you have people like them who want to work with small businesses," she said, it takes some of the pressure off. "They were reasonable in our year-long delay. That's how it's able to happen, is working with good landlords."

Meyer said the yogurt she sells, which contains live and active cultures and contains no fillers or artificial ingredients, costs her company more but is worth it.

She also wanted to dispel the common assumption that MYO is a franchise.

"We are a small business, and if people can support us, we'd appreciate it," she said. "We're very excited to be part of the Carmel community."

## Jerome's celebrates 5 years

It's been five years since Jerome Viel bought Carmel Valley Market and transformed it into a go-to place for high-quality produce, staples, gourmet foods, wine, beer and prepared items — and made it a community gathering place, of sorts, in the process. To celebrate, he's supporting

the Food Bank for Monterey County by matching \$5,000 in donations to the nonprofit.

"This past year has been particularly difficult, with high rates of unemployment and food shortages for so many," he said. "In recognition of our community's outstanding support, not only during this past year, but for the last five years we've been in business, we'd like to help take care of those who are struggling, and we need your help, too."

Demand for food assistance has increased 400 percent in the past year, Viel said, and the food bank has been supplying

free staples and other good items to 60,000 Monterey County families every month. He encouraged people to help by donating at [foodbankformontereycounty.org/donate](http://foodbankformontereycounty.org/donate).

Jerome's Carmel Valley Market offers local and organic produce, natural meats and seafood, and domestic and imported wine, beer and microbrews, as well as a well-stocked deli, made-to-order sandwiches, homemade sausages, a fresh salad bar, his signature paella, and catering services. It's located in the Village off Center Street at 2 Chambers Lane.

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## Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

they could create their concoctions exactly as they wanted.

"MYO stands for 'make your own,' explained founder Molly Meyer.

The virus put a major dent in her business, though, especially since "we're self-serve, and you couldn't do self-serve," Meyer said. "This pandemic annihilated us," leading to an 82 percent drop in revenues.

The Monterey location closed last year, though the ones in Seaside and Salinas have survived.

Now, Meyer is looking forward to opening an MYO store in the Crossroads shopping center. She had long wanted to have a Carmel-area location, and when a space became available, the shopping center's GM, Cynthia Buhl, reached out.

"That's like the biggest compliment, ever," she said, when a landlord pursues a prospective tenant. Opening day at the Crossroads will be in April, she hopes.

The county health department signed off on MYO's cleanliness and safety standards, and locals have been happy to return to the Seaside and Salinas stores for their favorite desserts.

"We're so thankful and grateful we're still here," she said. "We kept thinking that if we can just survive the winter, which is our slowest season, we felt optimistic about



Fans will be happy to know MYO Frozen Yogurt (above) will be opening in the Crossroads soon, while those who want Easter brunch without the restaurant experience can count on Baker's Bacon to supply a boxful of goodies (right).



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# FOOD & WINE

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## Food, music on the patio

Scheid Vineyards is hosting food and music on the patio at its Greenfield winery and tasting room March 28 from 1 to 4 p.m., with winetasting available from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. The event will feature music by Adrea Castiano and food from Casas De Humo, and reservations are required by booking at [exploretock.com/scheidvineyards](http://exploretock.com/scheidvineyards). Rules include no more than six guests per reservation, face coverings, social distancing, no outside food or beverage, and a 90-minute time limit. Scheid is located at 1972 Hobson Ave. in Greenfield.

## Burgers at DeRose

Springtime is gorgeous in the Cienega Valley near Hollister, and DeRose winery, located at 9970 Cienega Road, is holding an outdoor burger lunch Saturday, March 27, with two time slots available: 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 2 to 4 p.m. Reservations are available to groups of four or more, and the cost is \$25 per person.

The burgers feature locally raised grass-fed beef on brioche buns accompanied by homemade chips and condiments. Choices include a classic cheeseburger, a bacon and bleu burger, and a sautéed mushroom burger. And, since it's a winery, a bottle of wine is included, too.

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## Easter in a box

Baker's Bacon is selling food boxes for Easter that can be picked up at the Marina store at 445 Reservation Road on Friday, April 2, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Easter brunch for four costs \$65 and includes 12 oz. each of thick sliced bacon and uncured back bacon, local-

ly baked pastries, Baker's Bacon sous vide egg cups with hash browns, a platter of fresh fruit, and locally roasted organic coffee.

The Easter sides and dessert box, which also costs \$65 and contains enough for four, contains locally baked bread, a spring salad kit, bacon-wrapped asparagus bundles, bacon mac 'n' cheese — and a carrot cake from pastry chef Michelle Lee, who lives just down the street from Baker's Bacon.

"I've been making this carrot cake for decades now, and I love it. It's moist, has a hint of fresh ginger in it, and it's topped with a drizzle of cream cheese glaze," Lee said. "When I worked in Vegas, I made this cake as a snack for chef Joel Robuchon. He liked it so much, I had to make it for him every time he came to visit. So, if Mr. Robuchon liked it, it can't be terrible, right?"

Order boxes online by March 30 (or until sold out) at [easter.bakersbacon.com](http://easter.bakersbacon.com).

## Lepe Cellars on Dolores

Winemaker Miguel Lepe is opening a tasting room featuring his Lepe Cellars wines on Dolores Street in the former location of Scratch Wines, which had a small bar and retail area inside the Winfield Gallery. Scratch, winemaker Sabine Rodems' label, recently moved to Carmel Valley Village.

Lepe studied enology and viticulture at Cal Poly before going on to work for prominent wineries on the Central Coast and in South America. Several years ago, he established his own label, working with small organic vineyards to produce a range of interesting and accessible wines. His current lineup includes petit verdot, riesling, chardonnay and zinfandel.

For more information, visit [lepecellars.com](http://lepecellars.com).

## More virtual demos

To support the nonprofit Everyone's Harvest, which

organizes farmers markets in Pacific Grove, Marina and elsewhere in the county, chef Brandon Miller and bakery owner Sarah Cook will hold online cooking demonstrations next month.

Miller's will take place from 4 to 4:30 p.m. April 1, when he'll offer cooking tips and tricks just in time for Easter. Learn how to make bread pudding with day-old pastries, how to recreate a French tart dough perfected by renowned chef David Lebovitz that upends traditional (and challenging) methods, and a great trick for infusing herbs in stocks and soups. Go to [zoom.us](http://zoom.us) and enter meeting ID 921 7230 2792.

On Tuesday, April 20, from 4 to 5 p.m., Café Carmel chef/owner Sarah Cook will demonstrate a vegan dish. Go to [zoom.us](http://zoom.us) and enter meeting ID 928 3534 1968 and passcode 495514. For more information about Everyone's Harvest, go to [everyonesharvest.org](http://everyonesharvest.org) or call (831) 384-6961.

## Exquisite desserts

And on April 17 at 3 p.m., chef Ben Spungin of Alta Bakery in Monterey will present a demo on how to make Pavlova, a meringue-based Russian dessert with cream and fruit, as a benefit for the Big Sur Health Center.

A highly regarded pastry chef, Spungin has worked for more than two decades on the Peninsula, wowing guests with his exquisite desserts at the Post Ranch Inn, Bernardus and elsewhere.

He also helped open Alta Bakery at the historic Cooper Molera Adobe a few years ago.

The fee to watch Spungin's demo is \$25, with all of it benefitting the health center. To register, go to [bigsurg-healthcenter.org](http://bigsurg-healthcenter.org).



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# April flowers, May paintings — Monterey gallery welcomes spring's bloom

THERE ARE few things that stir the creative impulses inside an artist more than the bloom of flowers each spring. This month, Venture Gallery in Monterey welcomes two floral painters, **Maria Poroy** and **Linda Elling**.

"April showers bring May Flowers, and flowers always lift our spirits," Poroy said.

As an artist, Poroy isn't content to replicate nature. Instead, she pushes the boundaries of her creativity and employs an abstracted approach.

"As an artist, my job is to create beautiful images that create emotion," Poroy explained. "While I start with reality, I feel there are wonderful photographers who can capture that for you and that is not my job. I capture the essence of my subject and intensify it."

Poroy also isn't shy about using color. "Color is my language and I am drawn to subjects that resonate with me, whether it be a barn or a flower," she said.

In contrast, Elling takes a realist's ap-

## Sachiko Yokota.

The show will be displayed through the end of the month, while the gallery's celebration of floral art continues next month with a juried show on the theme. The gallery is located at 260 Alvarado St. Call (831) 372-6279.

## ■ 'Facing Faith' at Sunset

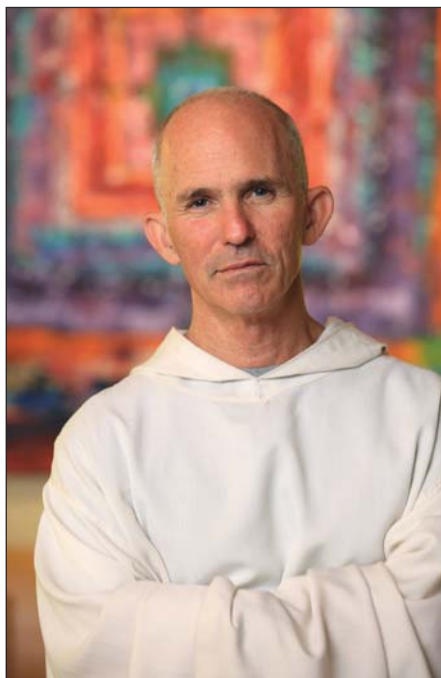
In a show that's on display in Sunset Center's Marjorie Evans Gallery, photographer **Randy Tunnell** takes a close look at those who guide people in matters of the heart and spirit.

Titled, "Facing Faith, a Photographic Portrait Study of Faith Leaders from Our Community," the show will be up until April 30.

Three years ago, Tunnell began a series of portraits of religious leaders in Monterey County. The leaders come from many backgrounds, including Catholic, Jewish, Muslim and Greek Orthodox. Over a six-month span, he photographed 19 subjects.

Tunnell expresses great admiration for those who he photographed.

"These are the people who support others, in desperately sad times, in times of celebration, and in times in between," explained the photographer, who lives downtown. "They support and comfort through their service. This is such an important role."



A portrait of Prior Cyprian Consiglio of the New Calmaldoli Hermitage (left) is included in a photo exhibit on display at Sunset Center. Painter Linda Elling's "Calla Lily" is featured in a floral art show in Monterey.



## Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

proach to painting flowers, and strives to preserve their beauty on her canvases. "If I can capture a moment and a feeling of a particular space and time, I have succeeded," she said.

The paintings will be complemented by a flower arrangement by local ceramicist

Located at San Carlos and Ninth, the gallery is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. No appointments are necessary, but masks are required.

## ■ Greeting the sunrise

For the fifth time since 2013, **Molly Nance** of Monterey has asked people from all over the world to get up early and photograph the sunrise.

Showcasing over 200 images of sunrises from all over the world, The Sunrise Challenge Pop-Up Exhibition is a three-

day event at Bennett Sculpture Gallery that kicks off Thursday. Prints will be for sale, and all proceeds benefit the Carmel Sunset Rotary Club.

"This particular Sunrise Challenge exhibition is special because it came to fruition during Covid," Nance said. "With the Sunset Rotary Club, we managed to plan an event during Covid and within the purple/red restrictions."

Besides the display of sunrise images, the gallery will host a fundraising Paint & Sip gathering Friday from 4 to 7 p.m.

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# Downtown inn hosts reception for in-house artist

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE ARTIST-in-residence at the Hofsas House, **Marie-Clare Gorham** has been busy behind the scenes beautifying the downtown inn, which will host a reception for her Friday from 4 to 6 p.m.

Gorham's most recent project involved creating a custom headboard and room décor for Room 36. The room will be open Friday to those who attend the gathering.

Before she became the artist-in-residence at the Hofsas House, Gorham was hired by the inn to touch up a mural Maxine Albro painted in 1957. As chance would have it, Gorham is a great admirer of Albro's work, so she was thrilled by the opportunity to work there.

"We will be unveiling a new mural I've been working on," the artist told The Pine Cone. "It's been a very interesting exercise to weave new art into a space that's already known for its art."

Besides painting, Gorham is exploring carpentry. She's adorned headboards with her art, and she's interested in

diving deeper into painting them — and making them. The idea of bringing together art and carpentry appeals to her creative philosophy of self-reliance.

"It try to make everything myself by hand," she said.

### Distinctive style

Gorham also created the giant shell mural that went up last year alongside the Palomas Home Furnishings building on Mission Street near Ocean, and another one inside Café Carmel. More recently, she adorned some cow sculptures for Mission Ranch. As an artist, Gorman employs distinctive California Arts & Crafts style.

Besides offering guests a chance to meet Gorham and learn about her work, the gathering will include wine and "custom culinary creations" by chef **Ben Spungin** of **Alta Bakery**.

The Hofsas House event was at first set for Jan. 15, but postponed due to the virus.

The inn is located on San Carlos north of Fourth. Call (831) 624-2745.



The artist-in-residence at the Hofsas House, artist Marie-Clare Gorham uses a jigsaw to cut a custom headboard (left) and paints a cow sculpture (right) for the Mission Ranch. The Hofsas House hosts a reception for her Friday.

## MUSIC

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Rio Road, (831) 667-2700.

**Folktales Winery** in Carmel Valley — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Daniel Cortes** (Friday at 3 p.m.), singer-songwriter **Johan Sotelo** (Saturday at 3 p.m.) and singer-songwriter **Talmon Owens** (Sunday at noon). 8940 Carmel Valley Road, (831) 293-7500. **Massa Tasting Room** in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (folk, Sunday at noon). 69 W. Carmel Valley Road, (831) 659-6221.

**Midici Pizza** in Monterey — singer **Akina Miyata** and keyboardist **Bobby Phillips** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). 467 Alvarado St., (831) 264-7013.

**Rio Grill** — singer-songwriter **Johan Sotelo** (Friday at 4 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Steven Shook** (Saturday at 1 p.m.) and singer-songwriter **Johan Sotelo** (Sunday at 1 p.m.). In the Crossroads shopping center, (831) 625-5436.

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**Trailside Cafe** in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Alex Lucero** (Friday at 6 p.m.) **Deja Vu** (rock, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place, (831) 298-7453.

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With your bid, please include Public Liability and Workers Compensation Insurance Certificates and License Certificate. Final date for bid submission is April 9, 2021.

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20210600  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **INN AT MOSS LANDING POINT, 8425 Moss Landing Road, Bldg. D, Moss Landing, CA 95039.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.  
Name of Corporation or as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **POINT HOTELS LLC, 8425 Moss Landing Road, Bldg. D, Moss Landing, CA 95039.**  
Business and Professions Code.  
S/Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
This business is conducted by a limited liability company.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 4, 2021.  
S/ Amit Jitendra Panchal, Managing Member  
Date: Mar. 5, 2021  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) (B&P Code 17913). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Mar. 3, 2021.  
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
Publication dates: Mar. 12, 19, 26, Apr. 2, 2021. (PC321)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20210547  
Filing type: RENEWAL FILING - filed within 40 days of the expiration date and no CHANGES(S) from the previous filing.  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **AUTOMOTIVE PAINT SUPPLY, 829 Broadway Ave., Seaside, CA 93955.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.  
Name of Corporation or as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **BUMAR ENTERPRISES, 829 Broadway Ave., Seaside, CA 93955.**  
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
This business is conducted by a corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 1986.  
S/ Francine J. Garza, VP/Sec.  
Date: Feb. 18, 2021

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 26, 2021.

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Publication dates: Mar. 12, 19, 26, Apr. 2, 2021. (PC322)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20210570  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **Roslyn Anderson Wine Concierge, 565 5th St, Lot 1 #7370, Carmel By The Sea, CA 93921, County of Monterey.**  
Registered Owner(s): LANCEAR LLC, 1833 Jones St., San Francisco, CA 94109  
State of Inc.: CA  
This business is conducted by a limited liability company  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on 10/01/2020  
S/ Lance Anderson, Managing Member

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 2, 2021

3/19, 3/26, 4/2, 4/9/21  
**CNS-3446026#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication dates: Mar. 19, 26, Apr. 2, 9, 2021. (PC323)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20210650  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**1. ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
**2. ST. JOHN'S CHAPEL**  
**3. RECTOR, WARDENS AND VESTRYMEN OF ST. JOHN'S PARISH IN DEL MONTE**  
**4. ST. JOHN'S PARISH IN DEL MONTE 1490 Mark Thomas Dr., Monterey, CA 93940.**

County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.  
Name of Corporation or as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **RECTOR, WARDENS AND VESTRYMEN OF ST. JOHN'S PARISH IN DEL MONTE, 1490 Mark Thomas Dr., Monterey, CA 93940.**  
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
This business is conducted by a corporation.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 1948.  
S/ Brienne Goldberg, Treasurer  
Date: Feb. 10, 2021

**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) (B&P Code 17913). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Mar. 1, 2021  
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of

five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
Publication dates: Mar. 19, 26, Apr. 2, 9, 2021. (PC325)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20210429  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **MASTERPICE DISTRIBUTION, 13365 Taft Cir., Salinas, California 93906.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
Registered Owner(s): **CUAUHTEMOC VAZQUEZ LUZ, 13365 Taft Cir., Salinas, California 93906. MAYRA CARDENAS DORADO, 13365 Taft Cir., Salinas, California 93906.**  
This business is conducted by a married couple.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.  
S/Cuahtemoc Vazquez Luz  
Feb. 17, 2021

**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 17, 2021.

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
Publication dates: Mar. 19, 26, Apr. 2, 9, 2021. (PC326)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20210683  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**1. KHAN-BERNIER**  
**2. KHAN-BERNIER BUSINESS SERVICES**  
**3. KHAN-BERNIER INSURANCE SERVICES**  
**4. KZ BOOKKEEPING SERVICES**  
**5. KZINT**  
**6. KHAN-BERNIER CONSULTING**  
**1054 Driftwood Place, Salinas, CA 93940.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
Registered Owner(s): **CHRISTOPHER ALBERT KHAN, 1054 Driftwood Place, Salinas, CA 93940.**  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 2003.  
S/Christopher Albert Khan

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Mar. 4, 2021.

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
Publication dates: Mar. 19, 26, Apr. 2, 9, 2021. (PC327)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20210675  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**HEIDI WOODS DEZIGN**  
**2. DESIGNED & REFINED**  
**9750 Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
Registered Owner(s): **HEIDI JENNIFER WOODS, 9750 Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel, CA 93923.**  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Mar. 10, 2021.  
S/Heidi Woods  
Mar. 12, 2021

**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Mar. 12, 2021.  
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

Publication dates: Mar. 19, 26, Apr. 2, 9, 2021. (PC333)

Publication dates: Mar. 19, 26, Apr. 2, 9, 2021. (PC330)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20210580  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **HEARING AID CENTER OF CARMEL AND MONTEREY, 26135 Carmel Rancho Blvd. #233, Carmel, CA 93923.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey.

Name of Corporation or as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: **REALEAR, INC., 25380 Vista Del Pinos, Carmel, CA 93923.**  
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA  
This business is conducted by a corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Oct. 23, 2004.  
S/Garrah Kripner, President  
Date: Mar. 2021

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Mar. 3, 2021

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Publication dates: Mar. 19, 26, Apr. 2, 9, 2021. (PC331)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20210683  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **VILLA CARMEL III, 857 Cass Street, Suite A, Monterey, CA 93940.**  
Mailing address: **P.O. Box 3044, Monterey, CA 93942.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

Registered Owner(s): **ARTHUR WATERMAN ROGERS HAWLEY, 857 Cass Street, Suite A, Monterey, CA 93940.**  
This business is conducted by an individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Dec. 20, 2020.  
S/Arthur Waterman Rogers Hawley  
Mar. 15, 2021

**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). **I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes public record upon filing pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Sections 6250-6277).**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Mar. 15, 2021.

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Publication dates: Mar. 19, 26, Apr. 2, 9, 2021. (PC332)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20210585  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **KID'S BOUTIQUE, 620 Williams Rd. #B2, Salinas, CA 93905.**  
Mailing address: **630 Argentine Dr., Salinas, CA 93905.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

Registered Owner(s): **YOLANDA ZEPEDA AHUMADA, 630 Argentine Dr., Salinas, CA 93905.**  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Dec. 12, 2020.  
S/Yolanda Zepeda Ahumada  
Mar. 4, 2021

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Mar. 4, 2021.  
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Publication dates: Mar. 19, 26, Apr. 2, 9, 2021. (PC333)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20210621  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**Junk King Monterey, 455 Reservation Rd., Suite A, Marina, CA 93933, County of Monterey.**  
Registered Owner(s): **MEGUZMAN, INC., 455 Reservation Rd., Suite A, Marina, CA 93933**  
State of Inc., CA  
This business is conducted by a corporation.  
Registrant commenced to transact busi-

ness under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable  
S/ Mario A. Guzman, President  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 8, 2021  
3/26, 4/2, 4/9, 4/16/21  
**CNS-3446761#**  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication dates: Mar. 26, Apr. 2, 9, 16, 2021. (PC335)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20210608  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **ORGANIZE BY THE SEA**  
Mailing address: **P.O. Box 44, Pebble Beach, CA 93953.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.  
Registered Owner(s): **REBECCA NELSON HEISER, 3145 Ferguson Ln., Pebble Beach, CA 93953.**  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 1, 2021.  
S/Rebecca Heiser  
Mar. 2, 2021

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Mar. 5, 2021.  
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Publication dates: Mar. 26, Apr. 2, 9, 16, 2021. (PC336)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20210706  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **MAP ARCHITECT, 857 Cass Street, Suite A, Monterey, CA 93940.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

Registered Owner(s): **MERRITT AMANTINI HAWLEY, 67 Cuesta Vista Drive, Monterey, CA 93940.**  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 20, 2010.  
S/Merritt Hawley  
Mar. 16, 2021

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Mar. 16, 2021.

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Publication dates: Mar. 26, Apr. 2, 9, 16, 2021. (PC337)

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARY RODRIGUEZ Case Number 21PR000097**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of **MARY RODRIGUEZ.**

**A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by OLIVIA R. NEGRANZA in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.**

The Petition for Probate requests that **OLIVIA R. NEGRANZA** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

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

Date: April 28, 2021  
Time: 9:00 a.m.

Dept.: 13  
Address: Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Agujajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

**If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.**

**If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal**

**authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.**

**You may examine the file kept by the court.** If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Petitioner:  
**OLIVIA R. NEGRANZA**

512 James Street,  
Salinas, CA 93905  
(831) 261-2838

This statement was filed by Superior Court of California, County of Monterey on March 10, 2021.

Publication dates: Mar. 26, Apr. 2, 9, 2021. (PC338)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 20210730  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **STREET POTATOES AND CORN, 1305 Trazado Ave., Salinas, CA 93906.**  
County of Principal Place of Business: MONTEREY.

Registered Owner(s): **YESSICA K. LINARES CARDENAS, 1305 Trazado Ave., Salinas, CA 93906.**  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 18, 2021.  
S/Yessica K. Linares Cardenas  
Mar. 18, 2021

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Mar. 18, 2021.

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## SAVE THE DATE



The Carmel Chamber, much like most not-for-profit organizations, has been evaluating our 2021 calendar along with COVID related protocols and although we do not have a crystal ball we feel it is important to begin setting forth some hope and optimism for the upcoming summer and fall. With that extremely conscious outlook, we are ready to announce two SAVE THE DATES, as a commitment to our community that when we are safely able to gather, the Chamber will exercise our best practices and create opportunities to reconnect with our neighbors and colleagues.

Our events will be different this year, but we remain committed and more energized than ever to deliver the same quality of experience you have come to expect from our organization. We invite you to save the following dates on your calendar and we look forward to keeping you updated on what we have in store over the coming months.

**FRIDAY, JULY 16th, 2021**  
Carmel Chamber of Commerce  
Annual Membership Luncheon

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7th, 2021**  
Carmel Chamber of Commerce  
33rd Annual Taste of Carmel

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR MEMBERSHIP

The following is a list of our members who have renewed for 2021 since last month. Thank you for your continued support!

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### NON-PROFIT LEVEL

Carmel Youth Center

## BOARD MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



### SYGALE LOMAS 2021 CHAMBER BOARD VICE CHAIRWOMAN

From growing up on a cattle ranch in Texas to traveling internationally on business to locales like Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Kazakhstan, and Singapore, Sygale Lomas has taken on many roles in her life and career. As recently

appointed Vice Chair of the Chamber Board, Sygale is deeply embedded in the community. Serving as Brokerage Manager for David Lyng Real Estate and its Monterey County offices, she uses her background in management, marketing, sales, and community service to oversee transactions and agents, facilitate sales, hire and mentor new realtors while maintaining a role in marketing for the company.

Prior to living on the Monterey Peninsula, Sygale was president of marketing for an international company in the oil and gas industry, which often took her overseas. She worked in hospital administration, personnel and excelled in a career in advertising as an executive with Freedom Communications.

When moving to California in 1989, she co-owned a publishing company which owned/published nine newspapers and after re-locating to Monterey, became a top producing media consultant for Media News Group's The Monterey Herald, the county's only daily paper. Along the way, her community endeavors have been significant. Besides serving on the Chamber Board, Carmel Chamber Ambassador Committee and as Rotarian with the Carmel Sunset Rotary Club, she's a member of the Women's Council of Realtors.

Sygale is also a passionate and long-time advocate for children with special needs.

She has managed to raise five beautiful children of her own, who in turn have given her eight grandchildren. Despite her travels and the true love she's developed for Carmel-by-the-Sea, she's never ventured too far from her hospitable Southern roots, remaining approachable and always going the extra mile. Recently, she was featured in February's Monterey County Real Producers Magazine and appropriately dubbed "Everybody's Sweetheart." Still, to her beloved kids she's known simply as "Mom."

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