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VISITORS AND LOVED

Math teacher charged with stealing neighbor's dog

■ Prosecutor: He abandoned the dog miles from home, and it has disappeared

By KELLY NIX

A MONTEREY man police say dognapped a neighbor's Labrador twice and abandoned it seven miles away in the Carmel Highlands because he didn't like its bark-

ing has been charged with four felony criminal counts.

Hartnell College math teacher Greg Perkins faces two felony charges of grand theft of a dog and two felony counts of depriving an animal of water and shelter, according to the Monterey County District Attorney's Office.

Perkins is accused of taking neighbor Melissa Dalton's Labrador retriever, Candy Cane, and leaving it to fend for itself in the Carmel Highlands. When Candy Cane was taken the first time in 2012, she was found and returned. But the 4-year-old dog is still missing after she was taken a second time in summer of 2013.

"We had witnesses and evidence to show that [Perkins] had actually stolen the dog from the property," Monterey police Lt. Leslie Fry Sonné told The Pine Cone Monday, adding that Perkins did not deny taking the animal. "The issue was allegedly excessive barking."

However, Sonné said that Perkins never contacted Monterey police about Candy Cane.

"We certainly recommend doing that before

anybody takes an issue into their own hands," she said.

Dalton said her 10-year-old daughter and 7-year-old son are still struggling with Candy Cane's absence. The family lives off of Soledad Drive in Monterey.

"My daughter has a shrine," Dalton told The Pine Cone Monday. "She lights a candle and prays for her return. All

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Reagan Dalton snuggles up to her dog, Candy Cane, a Labrador retriever that went missing last summer after a neighbor allegedly took the pooch and dropped it off miles from its home.

Hulsey has no opponent and will become judge

By KELLY NIX

m V OTERS WILL still be able to cast their votes for her in the June election, but prosecutor Stephanie Hulsey is on her way to becoming a judge in Monterey County after no one filed papers to run against her.

Hulsey will take the judicial seat left vacant by Monterey County Superior Court Judge Susan Dauphine when she retires in March. Tuesday was the deadline for prospective judicial candidates to file papers with the elections office declaring their intentions to run in the election. Nobody else filed for Dauphine's position.

"I deeply appreciate the community support I've received for my candidacy, and I will continue to seek endorsements," Hulsey, Monterey County's assistant district attorney told The Pine Cone Wednesday. "I would be very honored to receive the votes of the community."

Hulsey, whose term will begin in January 2015, said she's been so focused on speaking to various community groups about her candidacy and seeking endorsements, that she didn't think who, if at all, might challenge her.

"I assumed there would be at least one other opponent," she said. "So yes, I was surprised" that nobody else filed can-

A write-in candidate could still emerge, but it's highly unlikely they would be a threat to Hulsey, who has endorsements of dozens of attorneys, elected officials and 19 current and retired Monterey County judges.

Besides Dauphine, her endorsements include judges Kay Kingsley, Pamela Butler, Carrie Panetta and retired judges John Phillips and Robert Moody.

Monterey County District Attorney Dean Flippo, who has worked with Hulsey for more than 15 years, called her a

Marina city council OKs test wells

By KELLY NIX

AFTER A tense, five-hour public hearing Wednesday night, the Marina City Council voted 3-1 to allow California American Water to test potential well sites in preparation for its proposed desalination plant in the city. If the decision had gone the other way, it could have delayed the Monterey Peninsula water project by as much as a year.

The council overturned last week's city's planning commission ruling that Cal Am's proposal to drill two small wells to conduct water quality tests could not be done under existing permits that allow a sand plant to operate on the test well

However, the council, with vice chair Frank O'Connell dissenting, decided the tests fall within cement producer

Cemex's existing mining entitlements and therefore do not require a new permit. The test wells would be drilled on the Cemex property in North Marina.

The two six-inch diameter Cal Am boreholes would be drilled as far down as 350 feet to allow Cal Am to test the mineral content of the water. Cal Am wants to get a better idea of how a future test well and the desal plant's permanent wells will operate there.

One small step toward a badly needed water project

Opposing the test wells on behalf the Ag Land Trust, Monterey attorney Molly Erickson argued that Cal Am's operation is "very much a change from" Cemex's own operations and that the private water utility should be required to obtain a new permit.

"Anybody else wanting to drill boreholes or extract water would need a [coastal development permit]," she said.

However, Cal Am and others were adamant that the work would fall under Cemex's existing mining permit.

According to Cal Am, its test wells would extract a total of 20,000 gallons of water during the brief testing period and would move only about four gallons from the site in order for hydrologists to analyze the mineral content from different levels underground, which will help determine where the water comes from. The remaining 19,996 gallons of water would be allowed to percolate back into the sand.

In contrast, Cemex pumps about a half-million gallons of

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See HULSEY page 13A

OLYMPIAN FALLS FOR STRAY, EYES SKIING MEDAL

By CHRIS COUNTS

THREATENED WITH extermination by the Russian government, Sochi's now-famous stray dogs have won the heart of Carmel's Brita Sigourney, who is competing in the Ladies Ski Halfpipe at the 2014 Winter Olympics.

A 2008 graduate of Santa Catalina School, Sigourney expressed her sentiments online this week. "Does anyone know how to sneak dogs into the athlete's village?" she tweeted Feb. 11.

The 24-year-old athlete seems to have grown particularly attached to at least one of the dogs. "My puppy friend needs a bath and maybe a plane ticket to the states," she added.

Her tweet elicited a variety of replies, including one suggestion that she claim the stray is a seeing-eye dog for Olympic Games television host Bob Costas, who is battling an eye infection. Others encouraged her to bring the stray home.

Sigourney's concern for the plight of the strays comes as no surprise to her father Thad, the athletic director at All Saints Day School. "She wants to adopt every cute puppy and stray cat," he told The Pine

Back in Carmel, the Sigourney household is home to three dogs a mastador, "Zeus," a Belgian shepherd, "Pepper," and a "refugee from Tajikistan named Roxy."

When asked if he believed his daughter would try to bring a dog home from Sochi, her father said, "I don't see any way how she could

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PHOTO/COURTESY JULIE SIGOURNEY

Olympic skier Brita Sigourney makes friends with a pair of dogs in the mountains outside Sochi, Russia. She may even try to bring a dog home.

Who owns this photo? Not the studio



This 1974 publicity shot for the "Mary Tyler Moore Show" cast

taken by a local photographer was the subject of a legal dis-

pute that had a surprising outcome. See page 3A.

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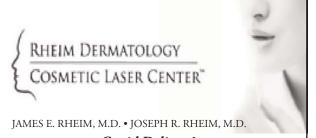
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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

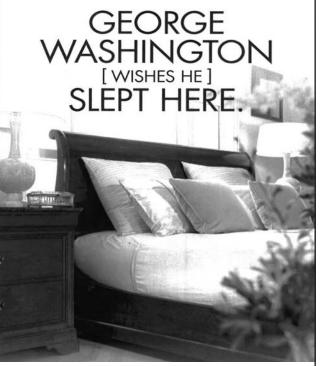
Choosing Chester

She never liked dogs. At least she thought she didn't. When her daughter came home from school and said everyone else had a pet, she bought her child a pet rat. After two years, the rat had run its course, so she relented and got Riley, the family's first dog. By the time Riley's life had been lived, they were so devastated by the loss of their Welsh Terrier, they couldn't bear the thought of going through it again, so they returned to a pet-free household.

Nearly four years later, the members of the family, who divide their time between San Francisco and Carmel, decided if they made a commitment to spend more time in the canine community of Carmel, they would be ready to get another dog. That's when they chose Chester.

Every morning at 8 a.m., Chester walks to work with his person and keeps her company until 3 p.m., when her husband retrieves the two of them. They share an apple and then take a long walk through Carmel-by-the-Sea, greeting passersby and stopping for anyone who wants to pet the 2-year-old Welsh Terrier.

"A lot of times we walk Chester along Scenic Road,"



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says his person, "but he really loves the beach. He gets so excited. He can jump almost five feet in the air. He loves to wade into the water and run around the sand like crazy. I don't let him off the leash yet. I'm afraid I'd never see him again."

Chester's primary passions are peanut butter and cookies, which he gets as a treat whenever his family leaves the house. "Food is truly the most important thing in Chester's life," his person says. "All we have to say is, 'Okay' or 'Sleep,' and he jumps into his crate and waits for his treat. Obedience is all about the cookie."





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Disputed 1974 MTM pic now in the hands of P.B. photographer's family

A 40-YEAR-OLD photograph of the "Mary Tyler Moore Show" cast that was shot by a late Pebble Beach photographer is now back in the hands of his family after a twoyear legal battle with a Hollywood film giant over the image.

The photo, which had been used by Twentieth Century Fox after they acquired the rights to the "Mary Tyler Moore Show" in 1998, was shot by renowned photographer John G. Zimmerman, who captured it for a 1974 Time Magazine cover story about actresses Mary Tyler Moore and Valerie Harper. Zimmerman died in 2002 at the age

While Zimmerman's family owns the rights to thousands of his photos, including images from the Time Magazine shoot, the photo in question mysteriously never made it

"We always assumed Time returned all of the photos to us after the story ran," according to Pebble Beach resident Linda Zimmerman, who manages an archive of her father's photos in Pacific Grove. "But this portrait, which captures the personalities of the cast to a tee, somehow went missing."

While searching for her father's photos online in 2012, Zimmerman told The Pine Cone she came across the missing image, which depicts actors Mary Tyler Moore, Betty White, Ed Asner, Georgia Engel, Gavin MacLeod and Ted Knight.

"When I did a Google search, I got all these hits on that photo," she said. "It was copyrighted Twentieth Century Fox."

While copyrighted photos can be used without the owner's permission for journalistic and scholarly purposes, or for criticism, they cannot be used commercially without the owner's say-so.

Zimmerman contacted Fox about the picture — which the company had used on the back cover packaging of the 5th season DVD issue of the Mary Tyler Moore show — but she got a less than welcoming reply.

So she hired Los Angeles entertainment lawyer Larry Zerner, a former actor who specializes in copyright infringement, and she filed suit against Fox on behalf of the John G. Zimmerman Archive Trust. However, Zimmerman said the case was challenging from the start.

"Since the archive never knew the photo existed," Zimmerman said, "it hadn't registered the copyright, which is a must in order to collect statutory damages and lawyer's

Fox also had the original 35mm photo in its possession, which Zerner believes had been inadvertently filed away in the Mary Tyler Moore Show archives where it went undiscovered until Fox acquired the rights to the show 16 years ago.

But after about year and a half of negotiations, which pitted Zerner against several attorneys for Fox, a settlement was reached Jan. 31 whereby the Zimmerman trust would receive the photo and its rights. Fox also agreed to remove the image from the Internet and pay damages to the trust, the amount of which Fox insisted remain confidential, Zimmerman said.

"It's really tough to hold those big media corporations accountable," she said. "They admitted zero liability."

John G. Zimmerman was a correspondent for Life Magazine in the early 1950s before working from 1956 to 1963 as a staff photographer for Sports Illustrated where he quickly made a name for himself with his innovative photographs. From 1964 to 1991, he worked as an editorial and commercial pho-

"He was the first photographer to put a camera on the backboard of a basketball

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Juvenile driver breaks lots of laws

HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Office last week. This week's log was compiled by Mary Schley.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fall on city property on Sixth Avenue. Carmel-by-the-Sea: A welfare check was requested by CHOMP on a juvenile and her mother on Perry Newberry. Both subjects were contacted and were fine.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Employee at a San Antonio Avenue hotel reported a subject at the hotel demanding a room but who had no money. The subject refused to leave and began eating the cookies and drinking the coffee in the lobby. Officers arrived and escorted the subject off the property. Employee requested a

Carmel-by-the-Sea: CPD units responded with fire department and ambulance to a medical involving a subject down, unresponsive in the apartment on Torres Street. Entry was made, and the subject was extremely intoxicated and unable to stand. Subject was voluntarily transported to CHOMP.

Pacific Grove: A business owner on Lighthouse Avenue reported that a rock was thrown through a window sometime the night before, and an item in the showroom was damaged. Nothing was stolen. There are no suspects, and no evidence was

Pacific Grove: Officer was monitoring the front counter when a phone call was received about possible fraud. Woman stated she was calling for her elderly mother, who received several phone calls from someone stating they were the IRS. The person calling stated that the person needs to respond immediately or there will be legal action taken. Resident did not provide any information.

Pacific Grove: Resident on 17 Mile Drive reported harassing phone calls from a student. Prosecution not desired.

Pebble Beach: Male Pebble Beach resident was arrested for being drunk in public at a local restaurant.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman called to report losing her camera while visiting the downtown area. She wished to make a report in the case the camera was located and turned over to the police department. A brief description of the camera was provided. The woman was advised to contact the department if the she located the camera.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Unattended wallet found in the sand at the beach.

Pacific Grove: A business owner reported that a homeless subject had been sleeping on his property on Ocean View and asked that the subject be given a trespassing admonishment. The subject was admonished by officers and told not to return to the

Pacific Grove: Terrorist threats on Forest Avenue. Unable to identify suspect.

> See **POLICE LOG** page 15RE in the Real Estate Section

Meeting on beach fires postponed

A SPECIAL Forest and Beach Commission meeting set for Feb. 18 to discuss the management of beach fires on Carmel Beach has been canceled, according to the city.

However, the item will be included as an agenda item for the next Forest and Beach Commission meeting to be held March 6 at 3:30 p.m. at Carmel City Hall on Monte Verde between Ocean and Seventh.





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James Richard Genone Jr.

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Jim Genone, as he was known to all, died peacefully in his home on Feb 6th, 2014, surrounded by his family. He is survived by his mother Constance, his sisters Jenny and Terry, his wife Mary, her children and grandchildren, his own ren, Leah, James, and Ryan, his dren Lucia and Roan, and his much loved dog



Jim was born in Florida and grew up in Hawaii, London, and Hampton, Virginia. He originally moved to the Monterey Peninsula in the early 1960s, and lived locally for most of the next 50 years. Having travelled extensively in the US, Europe, and Asia, he called the Carmel area "the most beautiful place I've ever been".

A retail entrepreneur for most of his professional life, Jim owned several businesses in Carmel, most notably Jewelry Atelier, which is still run by his son Ryan and his wife Mary. He was passionate about business, and endeavored to set an example with his honesty, responsibility, and fairness in his business dealings, as well as the care with which he treated employees and

Another important part of Jim's life was his spiritual search, which led him to travel in his younger days in pursuit of esoteric teachings, and which he pursued in later years in a highly personal way.

Jim was a great lover of nature, and fondly remembered trips with his wife Mary to Mendocino, Lake Tahoe, Vancouver Island, and Hawaii. He cared deeply for his family and friends, and will be remembered by them as a warm and generous spirit.

Cal Am says drought won't affect pursuit of Peninsula water project

By KELLY NIX

AN ATTORNEY for California American Water told a judge with the state's utilities regulator last week that the statewide drought won't have an impact — either positive or negative — on the company's pursuit of a water project for the Monterey Peninsula.

In document filed a Feb. 7 with the California Public Utilities Commission, Cal Am attorney Sarah H. Leeper said that while Gov. Jerry Brown's Jan. 17 drought proclamation won't affect the proposed Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project, the drought does emphasize "the uncertainties and instability of many of the state's water sources."

"Although Governor Brown's proclamation and the circumstances that underlie it emphasize the precariousness of California's water supply," Leeper wrote, "Cal Am does not expect it to directly impact this proceeding"

The Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project — which Cal Am has proposed to fulfill a state order to find with a water supply alternative to the Peninsula's primary water source, the Carmel River — includes a desalination plant in North Marina, water

storage facilities and a component that turns wastewater into drinking water.

On Jan. 27, PUC administrative law judge Angela Minkin ordered Cal Am to tell her whether the drought would impact its water project, which is estimated to cost a total of \$320 million.

"Importantly, the [water project], and in particular its desalination component," Leeper wrote to Minkin, "is critical to providing greater reliability in such a challenging environment."

The Cal Am attorney also said that private water company's proposal is to address the "urgent need" for an alternative water supply.

"In short, the sole purpose of this proceeding is to "determine whether the applied-for project should be approved; it is not a general forum for entertaining water supply options," she wrote. "Nor is it the proper site for dealing with other issues impacting Cal-Am's Monterey District."

Because of very good conservation by residents, water storage levels on the Peninsula are currently adequate. However, if the lack of rain continues water customers could eventually be subject to severe rationing.

Diehl's appointment delayed another week

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THREE WEEKS after postponing a decision on the reappointment of planning commissioner Martha Diehl, the Monterey County Board of Supervisors will consider the issue at their next meeting, Tuesday, Feb. 18, Supervisor Dave Potter told The Pine Cone.

Diehl has drawn fire over her role in a plan to establish a dog training facility on a

45-acre property at 8100 Valley Greens Dr. in Carmel Valley.

The project includes the installation of an 800 square-foot modular office trailer, a 600 square-foot restroom trailer, a 600 square-foot clubhouse trailer and a 400 square-foot electrical room; and they want to create a 1.2-acre pond and 200 parking spaces. Diehl and her partners are also seeking permission to allow as many as 70 RVs to stay overnight on the property during special events.

Naked, unruly guest tasered at Esalen

A MAN who was visiting Esalen Institute in Big Sur last week was subdued with a taser and pepper spray after causing a disturbance.

Regan Henry Panto, 48, of Oak View, was arrested Feb. 8 for indecent exposure and resisting Monterey County Sheriff deputies, who said the man was "uncooperative" and "combative."

They said Panto, who had taken off his clothes and was acting strangely, used a hard rubber ball, a Bluetooth speaker box and a glass bottle as weapons.

The incident happened Feb. 8 at about

5:30 p.m. According to the police report, Panto suffered abrasions, contusions and puncture wounds from the taser darts.

Esalen supporters asked on Facebook how such an unfortunate incident could have happened at such an idyllic place, while some questioned the decision to call the police.

Known for its famous hot springs, its busy schedule of workshops on an eclectic array of topics and its legacy as the birth-place of the Human Potential Movement, Esalen is located on Highway 1 about 40 miles south of Carmel.



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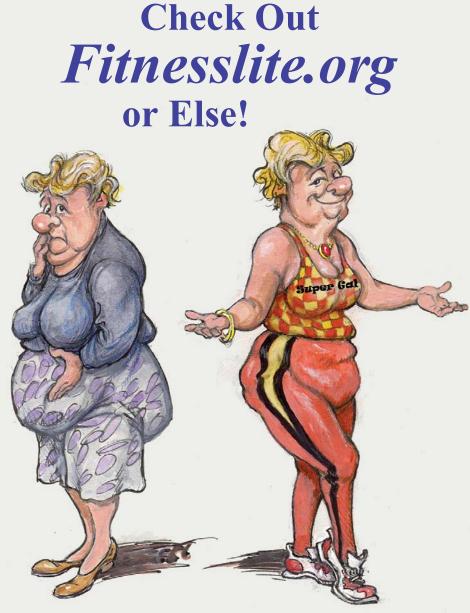
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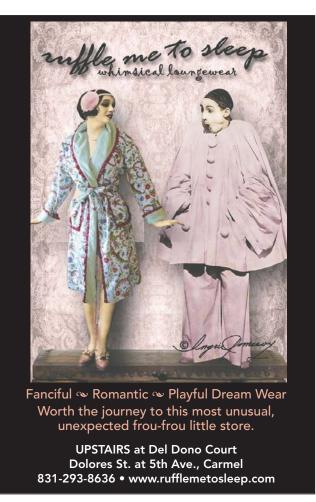
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get one out, but we'll see."

While Sochi's dogs have captured Sigourney's attention for the moment, her gaze is fixed on winning an Olympic medal. She's set to compete in the qualification round of the Ladies Ski Halfpipe Feb. 20 at 6:30 a.m. Pacific Time. (6:30

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p.m. in Sochi). The finals are scheduled the same day at 9:30 a.m. PST.

Sigourney will get her first chance to practice on the Sochi halfpipe Feb. 14. After a week of waiting, she's ready to get airborne.

"All this Olympic spectating is cool and all, but I think I'm ready to ski now," she tweeted this week. "Can it be my turn

Considering the challenges Olympic officials have faced creating safe conditions on the halfpipe — as well as the extensive history of injuries Sigourney has suffered in a highrisk sport — it's probably for the best that she didn't test the halfpipe earlier.

"I'm a little worried," her father conceded. "You can see [on television] how bad it is."

Coaches and athletes have called the halfpipe dangerously "bumpy" and "mushy." Officials have blamed the troubles on unexpectedly warm weather, which caused similar problems on the halfpipe at the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver,

The same day Sigourney begins practice, her parents leave for Sochi. And much to the freestyle skier's surprise, her 29-year-old brother Bryce will be traveling there as well. Not only have Bryce's employers, Michael Schrock and Keith Mittemeyer of Urban Arena in Costa Mesa, given him time off work to see his sister compete, they're sponsoring his trip to Russia, too.

Sigourney no doubt will be thrilled to see her family in Sochi cheering her on, but her father said his daughter's hopes have also been bolstered by the support she's receiving from those who can't make it to Russia, but are keeping touch with her through social media. "It really means a lot to her," he said of the steady stream of messages well-wishers are sending her.

Pine Cone honored for 'longstanding contribution'

The Carmel Pine Cone's 100th birthday will be Feb. 3, 2015, and to denote the occasion, the Carmel City Council honored the newspaper at its Feb. 4 meeting. At right, Mayor Jason Burnett presents a certificate to Pine Cone publisher Paul Miller. The certificate thanked the paper's founder, William Overstreet; noted that for a century The Pine Cone has maintained its dedication to "all things Carmel," and said the city council and the town's citizens "thank and honor the newspaper for its longstanding contribution to the community." Later this year, The Pine Cone will publish a commemorative coffee-table book containing some of its complete early editions. "The history of this unique and beautiful town is recorded in those pages,"

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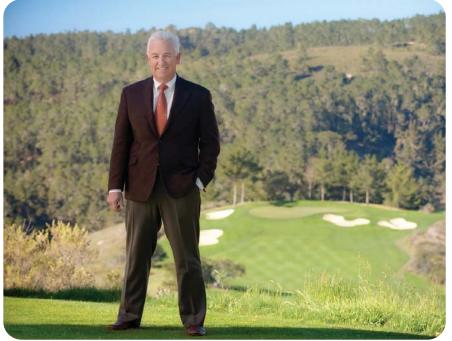
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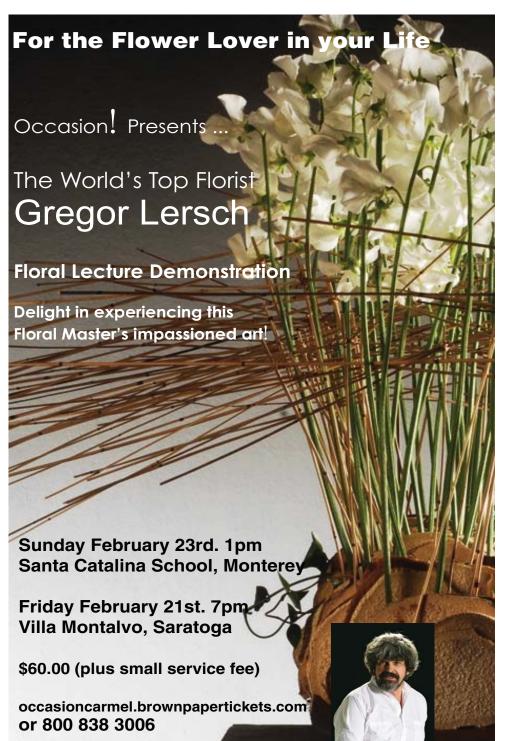


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By CHRIS COUNTS

KICKING OFF a month-long series of events that highlight its mission, Peace of Mind Dog Rescue hosts a reception Saturday, Feb. 15, at the Patricia J. Bauer Center in Pacific Grove.

Under the banner of the 2nd annual Carmel Dog-Friendly Great Adventure, the dog rescue group presents six events on Saturdays between now and March 15. For a \$25 registration fee, people and their pets can win points for their participation and compete for an impressive list of prizes, which include a stay at Casa Munras for you and your pooch. Proceeds aid the group's goals, which are to "find homes for pets whose owners have become too old to take care of them" and to "encourage the community to adopt senior dogs."

In addition to Saturday's opening reception, the events include a Monterey Recreation Trail Walk (Feb. 22 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Custom House Plaza); a Carmel Parade (March 1 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.); a Pet Food Express Walk (March 8 from 10 to 11 a.m. in The Crossroads shopping center); a Carmel Beach Walk (March 8 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the 13th Street Cove); and a Wrap-Up Brunch and Awards Ceremony (March 15 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Cypress Inn).

At Saturday's Kickoff Reception, which starts at 2 p.m., Dawn's Dream will pour wine, Craft Artisan Ales will serve beer, the Bay of Pines restaurant will provide food and singer-songwriter Sean Ryan will play.

Pets, of course, are welcome. The Patricia J. Bauer Center is located at 615 Forest Ave. Call (831) 718-9122.



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A BEACON for mariners and a relic from a bygone era, the Point Sur Lighthouse in Big Sur is the subject of a free talk Tuesday, Feb. 18, at All Saints Episcopal Church.

Docents Eleanor Morrice and Kevin Hanstick will discuss the rich and colorful history of the lighthouse, which warned passing ships and their crews of the dangers they faced along the Big Sur Coast.

From 1899 to 1974, a resident lighthouse keeper and his family lived at the light station. Today, it is owned by California State Parks and staffed by volunteers.

While nobody lives at the light station now, some believe it's haunted by ghosts, and volunteers offer an annual fundraising ghost tour.

The talk is the latest installment in the Carmel Public Library Foundation's Community Nights series.

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We should certainly think about love and romance during the month of February but we should also focus on the health of your heart. I can't help you with love and romance (you're on your own with that!) but I CAN help you keep your physical heart healthy.

- Follow these tips for a healthy heart:

 1. Reduce the amount of unhealthy fats in your diet, such as saturated and trans fats. Read labels!
- Look for healthy fats (canola, flaxseed, olive oil) as well as nuts, almonds, and avocados. These good fats are called unsaturated fats.
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 4. Exercise five times a week (as you are able walking counts!). If possible, try to break a sweat. A minimum of 20 minutes/day is
- possible, try to break a sweat. A minimum of 20 minutes/day is great if that's all you can do.

 Minimize stress. Many people don't realize the impact that stress has on their bodies, especially the heart. So live in the moment and let life take its own course. Stress doesn't just happen, you cause it. Some ways to combat stress include taking a bath, relaxing with a good book, talking a walk, getting a massage, practicing yoga, and deep breathing.

Added notes: Your PHYSICAL HEART is essentially a muscle that "pumps" oxygen-rich blood throughout the body. It beats about 72 times a minute and is situated between the lungs in the chest cavity. It weighs around 10-15 ounces.

Your EMOTIONAL HEART is in your hands and those of your family and loved ones. Take good care of these relationships!

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A graduate of Poly High School in Long Beach, Ann attended the University of Oregon where she met her future husband, Gay F. Baldwin. She received her Bachelor's Degree from USC and worked for several years as a Registered Nurse.

Ann enjoyed reminiscing with her adult children, remembering and sharing stories with them about when they were young. She has made her home locally since 1968.

Ann is survived by Gay, her husband of fifty-seven years; her sons, Craig Baldwin of Long Beach and Mark Baldwin of Monterey; her daughters, Susan Baldwin of Lompoc and Sally Baldwin (George) Newland of San Luis Obispo; eleven grandchildren and one great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her son, Bryan George Baldwin.

Memorial services will take place at St. John's Chapel in Monterey this Saturday, February 15 at 11:00 A.M. Memorial contributions are suggested to the donor's favorite charity. Please visit www.thepaulmortuary.com to sign Ann's guest book and leave messages for her family.

Marines to raise money for scholarships

February 14, 2014

FORMER NFL quarterback Marc Bulger will be honored by the Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation Sunday, Feb 23, in the Inn at Spanish Bay. A two-time probowler who tossed 122 touchdown passes over an 8-year career with the St. Louis Rams, Bulger will receive the foundation's Sportsman's Award at The Eagle Globe and Anchor Dinner. The Most Valuable Player of the 2004 Pro Bowl, he retired in 2011.

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The event, called "Patriots at Pebble Marines Hit the Beach," raises money to provide scholarships for U.S. Military families. Since 1962, the national organization has awarded more than 80,000 scholarships worth about \$30 million.

A golf tournament is also part of the fundraising weekend. Its chair is local businessman Joe Driscoll and its honorary chair. Condoleeza Rice, will appear at the dinner by video. A reception starts at 4 p.m. and dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$200. Call (866) 796-7452 or email mcsfpebble@datocwitten.com.

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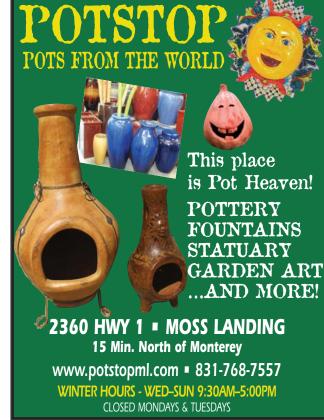
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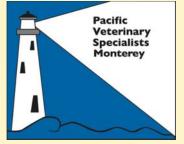


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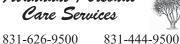
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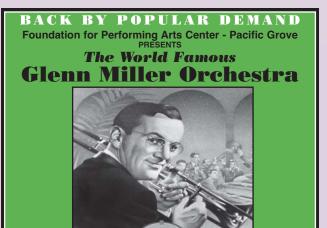
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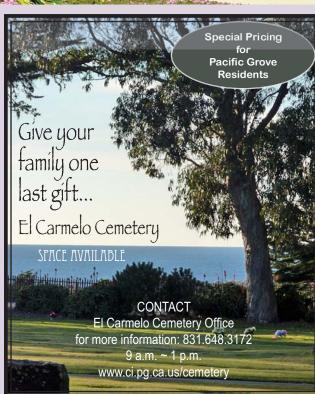
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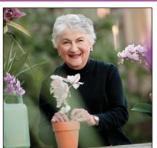




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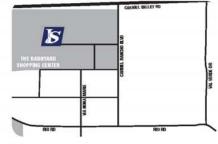
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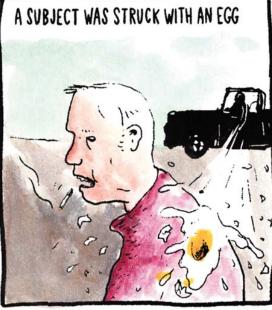
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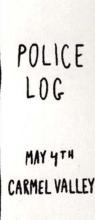
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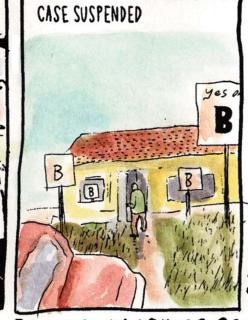












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water per day for its operation.

In making the case that the water testing is vitally important in order to build the desal plant, Carmel Mayor and Monterey Peninsula Water Authority member Jason Burnett told the Marina council that the boreholes will help resolve whether the area where Cal Am wants to install the wells for its desal plant is hydrologically more connected to the Salinas Valley aquifer or the

Testing the water, Burnett explained, is beneficial because it will help determine whether the water Cal Am wants to draw resembles "more freshwater or more saltwater," he said.

While Burnett said the issue didn't involve water rights, attorney and Ag Land Trust vice president Marc Del Piero said "this is all about water rights" and argued that drawing water from the basin that farmers use to irrigate their crops is illegal and would "contaminate" lower aquifers — even after the holes were sealed with concrete, as Cal Am has proposed.

"A cone of depression from a borehole 300 feet deep will steal freshwater from the Ag Land Trust property," Del Piero told the

Attorney Tony Lombardo, who is working for Cal Am, later told the council that when Cemex drilled to a depth of 300 feet it struck seawater — which Cal Am wants to test. The cement producer had to drill more than 500 feet to hit freshwater, which it needs to wash sand for its own operation.

Nearly 30 people in the public comment period of the meeting told the council they supported Cal Am's testing efforts while fewer than eight spoke against it.

A Marina planning commissioner who cast an opposing vote last week defended her decision before the council, saying that the repercussions of allowing Cal Am to drill would be "catastrophic" and would dry the fertile Salinas Valley.

Cal Am has already drilled several holes near the two new ones, but those holes were only to extract soil, not water, and therefore did not need require a permit.

The water company is in the process of obtaining a drilling permit with the county; however, it expects to start drilling Friday Feb. 14, company spokeswoman Catherine Stedman told The Pine Cone.



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Flautist plays with Japanese precision and Irish heart | Famous for capturing the

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE SON of a Japanese flute master, Hanz Araki – who, ironically, is one of the brightest talents in Celtic music - performs Saturday, Feb. 15, at The Carl Cherry Center for

He'll be joined on stage by Joseph Carmichael on guitar and Colleen Raney on bodhrán and vocals.

Six generations of Araki's family achieved distinction in

Araki described Carmichael as "a phenomenal guitar player with a great grasp of traditional music," and called Ranev is one of the talented vocalists in Celtic music today.

A familiar face and voice on the Monterey Peninsula, Raney is a member of the Celtic music quartet Story Road, which also features Carmel Valley fiddler John Weed.

The concert starts at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$5. The Cherry Center is located at Fourth and Guadalupe. Call (831) 624-7491.





Singer-songwriter Haroula Rose (left) plays two shows this weekend, while singer and flutist Hanz Araki (above) performs Saturday at the Carl Cherry

Japan for their skill at the playing a flute called the shakuhachi, but after he was introduced to Celtic music by his Scots-Irish mother, there was no turning back. "I got hooked," Araki told The Pine Cone.

In Raney's words, the flautist took to Irish music like a duck takes to water."He plays with the precision and detail of his Japanese training, but also with the heart and soul of his Irish background," the Oregon-based singer said.

Also a resident of the Pacific Northwest, Araki got his start as a Celtic musician in Seattle during the 1990s, when the Emerald City's grunge scene was in its heyday. But the city was also home to a lively community of traditional Irish music performers. Starting with pub songs and drinking songs, Araki soon graduated to jigs and reels. Over the next two decades, he established himself as one of the West Coast's most accomplished and respected performers of Celtic Music.

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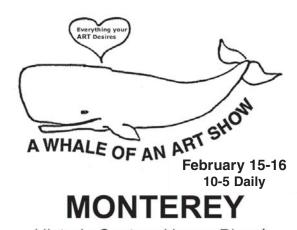
Showcasing the musical abilities of more than 100 students from throughout the county, Youth Music Monterey presents a concert, "Awakening the Grand," Saturday at Sunset Center.

"You're going to be amazed at the young talent we have in our little community," suggested Vanisha Evans, executive director of the nonprofit music group.

Under the guidance of music director and conductor Farkhad Khudyev, the Junior Youth Orchestra — which includes students from five to 14 — will perform Shubert's Symphony No. 8 and Bizet's Carmen Suite. The orchestra, which features about 60 musicians, will be accompanied for the first time by 33 members of the Salinas Youth Orchestra.

Also performing is the the Honors Orchestra, which will play Sibelius' Symphony No. 7 and the first movement of Elgar's Cello Concerto in E minor. Honors Orchestra is made up of more than 40 instrumentalists from 13 to 20. One of its youngest members, 13-year-old Caleb Kim of Carmel Middle School, will perform solo on the cello after auditioning for the role. "Caleb is going to play a very difficult piece," Evans explained. "He's an outstanding musician."

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Central Valley, Loranc looks at the Big Island

By CHRIS COUNTS

SHOWCASING ONE of the most dramatic landscapes on earth in striking black and white images, photographer Roman Loranc unveils an exhibit of new work Saturday, February 15, at Photography West Gallery.

Loranc visited Hawaii's Big Island in December and January, capturing on film its varied scenery and topography.

"I was very lucky," Loranc told The Pine Cone. "The weather was very unusual. I was able to get some very good shots. I think it's some of my

The show, which also includes several photographs of the Mt. Shasta area where Loranc lives today will be on display for a month.

From Hawaiian landscapes to European churches, Loranc has photographed a broad subject matter over the past three decades. But he's best known for his images of California Central Valley. Since moving to the state in 1984 — he came to the U.S. from his native Poland in 1981 — he has been drawn to the quiet and solitary landscapes of the valley.



Roman Loranc

One of his favorite subjects has been the valley's majestic oak trees, which he said inspire in him the same sense of awe and reverence he experiences in a church.

"I'm fascinated by the ancient churches of my homeland," he writes on his website. "These are holy spaces where millions of people have prayed for hundreds of years. They are places of great humility, and remind us how brief our lives are. I feel the same way when I'm photographing ancient groves of native oaks in California ... I think the oaks are just as sacred as the old cathedrals of Europe."

Gallery director Julia Christopher said nobody has ever photographed the Central Valley quite like Loranc, who she



This photograph by Roman Loranc, "Mauna Kea Road," is featured in an exhibit opening Saturday in Carmel.

said uses an "old-world" silver gelatin process. "They're extraordinary," she said of his images. "He has a unique per-

Loranc's portfolio also includes many photographs of Big Sur and Carmel Valley, and he said he's planning to rent a home here in the near future.

His work has long been featured at Photography West, which in 2009 published an award-winning coffee table book, "Fractal Dreams." This year, Photography West released "Absolution," a book of photographs he took in Europe. Christopher said the new book marks "a return to his roots" and chronicles "his personal journey" back to Poland.

The gallery, which hosts a reception for Loranc from 3 to 5 p.m., is located on Dolores just south of Ocean. Call (831) 625-1587.

Coravin, abalone for lunch, wine with Dan, and fundraising for MOW

By MARY SCHLEY

Casanova Restaurant in Carmel now offers fancier wines by the glass—including a \$75-per-pour 2000 Dalla Valle Cabernet—thanks to a new gadget called Coravin that preserves the wine remaining in the bottle for months after a glass has been poured.

Invented by Greg Lambrecht, who has a background in medical technology, the device draws wine from a bottle via a hollow needle that pierces the cork. The bottle is then pressurized with an inert gas, which causes the wine to flow and keeps oxygen away from the precious wine, preventing it from spoiling. Once the needle is extracted, the cork reseals.

Coravin, which took a decade to develop, was born of necessity after Lambrecht's wife became pregnant and stopped drinking. "I still wanted to enjoy great glasses of wine,

but didn't want to commit to whole bottles," he says on his website, and preservation systems like Vacuvin didn't prevent the wine from oxidizing. "My dream was to magically pour wine from bottles without ever pulling the cork. The remaining wine could then go back in my cellar, so that I could enjoy it again, whenever I desired."

Lambrecht apparently succeeded, and Casanova Restaurant at Fifth and Mission is the first to use the system in its by-the-glass wine program, according to sommelier Jeff Birkemeier. He said the device contains 150 patented parts.

"It has been called the greatest advancement in wine service in over 30 years," said Birkemeier, who demonstrated the device on a bottle of Georis' 2009 La Chapelle Cabernet Sauvignon that he first took a glass from on Nov. 20, 2013. The wine he poured last week from that same bottle tasted and smelled completely intact, with no loss of

aroma or body, as happens after wine is exposed to air.

"This will allow us to offer a larger and more diverse wine-by-the-glass program that will feature some of the vintage wines of the Casanova wine collection," he said.

Birkemeier launched the program last week with four wines, and he estimated the argon gas that makes the device work costs the restaurant about \$1 per pour. In addition to the Dalla Valle, he's pouring Dragonette Pinot Noir for \$25 per glass, Kistler Chardonnay for \$35, and Numanthia for \$40.

To learn more about the wine system, which is available to anyone for around \$300 (plus \$10 to \$11 per gas capsule), visit

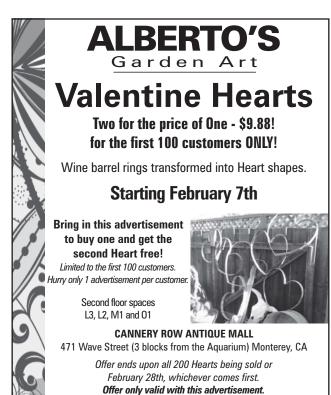
www.coravin.com. For more about Casanova, see www.casanovarestaurant.com.

■ Abalone farmers and MEarth

The nonprofit MEarth habitat project at Carmel Middle School, selected as Hyatt's benefiting charity this year, will receive a portion of the ticket sales from Pacific's Edge's Meet the Farmer lunch set for Saturday, Feb. 15. That day, one of the men behind Monterey Bay Abalone will speak to guests while his abalone is featured in dishes prepared by chef Matt Bolton.

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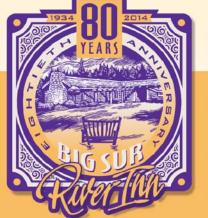
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Art Seavey of Monterey Bay Abalone will talk about how the small company maintains the tradition of producing great seafood through natural, sustainable aqua-culture. And by a bonus of genetics, the phenomenal wines of his family's vineyard, Seavey, in Napa Valley, will be featured, too. Seavey — small, with an annual production under 2,000 cases — specializes in Cabernet Sauvignon, and also produces Chardonnay and Merlot.

The lunch will cost \$55 per person, inclusive, and reservations are required. Contact Pacific's Edge at (831) 622-5445 or visit www.pacificsedge.com. The restaurant is located in the Hyatt Carmel Highlands at 120 Highlands Drive off Highway 1 south of Carmel.

■ Chatting with Dan Karlsen

Chock Rock Vineyards owner and winemaker Dan Karlsen is hosting Wine Dialogue with Dan Monday, Feb. 17, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in his tasting room at 1 Del Fino Place in Carmel Valley Village.

Karlsen, who is also winemaker for Talbott Vineyards, will talk about cloning and grafting, and demonstrate the grafting process, while guests taste three of his wines and sup on "three tasty courses." Karlsen will discuss which clones he grows in his vineyard out in Cachagua, rootstock and who handles the grafting.

The cost is \$40 per person (\$30 for wine club members), and more information is available at www.chockrock.com or by calling (831) 659-ROCK.

■ Pizza Factory fundraiser

The Pizza Factory in Salinas is helping to raise money for the Housing Resource Center of Monterey County Thursday, Feb. 20, between 11 a.m. and 10 p.m. Owner/operator Ernie Amorim will donate 20 percent of all sales during those hours. The HRC "fosters community stability, stronger communities, and personal economic empowerment through education, advocacy, counseling and assistance." The organization provides housing resources to the homeless and helps people find affordable housing.

Customers picking up lunch or dinner at the Pizza Factory, 926 South Main St. in Salinas, should mention the Housing Resource Center or HRC when ordering. Call (831) 758-3227.

■ Valley Hills Deli grand opening

Valley Hills Deli & BBQ next to the Wagon Wheel in Valley Hills Center will celebrate its grand opening Saturday, Feb. 22. The celebration will begin with coffee and pastries at 10 a.m., followed by beer and wine tasting, food samples and small bites, and other treats from 1 to 4 p.m., including tri-tip, pulled pork and smoked chicken sliders; Mandarin and Greek salad lettuce cups; and soup and chili. Cheese will be provided by Schoch dairy, and sausage by Roy's hand-crafted Swiss Sausage.

The deli operates daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and is located in the center at 7152 Carmel Valley Road. Call (831) 293-8608 for more information.



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The Coravin wine pouring system is now in use at Casanova Restaurant, offering patrons by-the-glass options that include some rare and valuable wines.

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Feb. 14-16 - Exhibition and sale of John Lennon's drawings and song writings will be shown at Carmel Plaza, Garden Level. A portion of the proceeds will go to support the Monterey County Food Bank. Ms. Yoko Ono Lennon created this program with the specific intent of helping local non-profit. Ocean Ave. & Mission St. (831) 624-1385.

Feb. 15-16 - The 25th Annual Whale of an Art Show returns to Monterey's historic Custom House Plaza state park, Saturday and Sunday, February 15 & 16, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Contemporary artists and craftsmen showcase their latest creations across from Fisherman's Wharf. Event is free. Information: (831) 625-0931.

Feb. 17 - Monday, February 17, at 2 p.m. **Carmel Women's Club** presents Myra Goodman, founder of Earthbound Farm and Sarah LaCasse, Chef, Earthbound Farm. Enjoy a special cooking demonstration by Sarah and hear Myra discuss how Earthbound changed how we eat today. Myra's new cookbook will be available. Everyone welcome. San Carlos & 9th. Guests \$5. Members Free. (831) 646-0242 or (831) 624-2866.

Feb. 22 - Central Coast HIV/AIDS Services 12th Annual Crystal Ball, February 22, 5-11 p.m. at the Seaside Embassy Suites. Join us in commemorating 25 years of meeting our mission! Evening includes champagne reception, hosted by Sinnet Winery, a three-course dinner, live music and dancing, featuring Clicktrax Jazz Orchestra and a silent auction. \$100/person. Call (831) 394-4747, ext. 601.

Feb. 22 - Valley Hills Deli & BBQ Grand Opening, February 22. Coffee service and pastry samples from local businesses, 10 a.m. Local beer and wine tasting, 1-4 p.m. The Deli will provide food samplings: Tritip, pulled pork, smoked chicken sliders; Mandarin and Greek salad cups; soup & chili, Schoch Farms cheese, Roy's handcrafted Swiss Sausage. 7152 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley. (831) 293-8608.

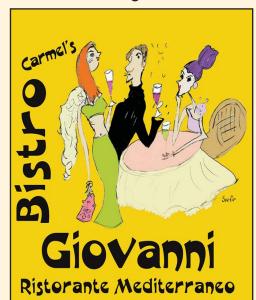
Feb. 22 & 23 - Pajaro Valley Quilt Assn. 36th Annual Quilt Show, February 22-23, 2014. Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds, 2601 East Lake Avenue Watsonville, CA 95076. See www.pvqa.org for details.

Feb. 27 - The Carmel Residents Association will hold a free, public Candidates Forum to present candidates for Mayor and City Council of Carmel-by-the-Sea, Thursday, February 27, 7-9 p.m. Monterey County D.A. Dean Flippo will moderate. Doors open at Sunset Center's Carpenter Hall on Mission St. at 6:30 p.m. For info call Chris Gaspich: (831) 620-1764

March 6 - Bridge Center of Monterey. Come join us for an 8-week series learning our favorite pastime - Bridge! Meet new friends and exercise the mind. Easybridge! \$5 a lesson. Thursday, March 6, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Reservations please. Jill, (831) 625-4421, or Lyde, (831) 626-4796, for directions and information.

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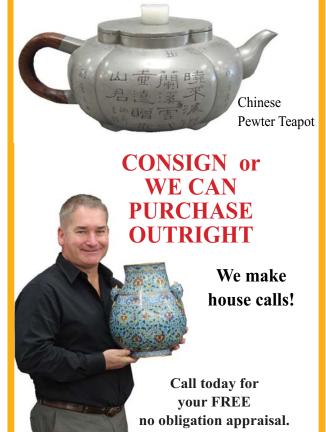
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A silent auction will benefit Youth Music Monterey, which in addition to staging three major concerts each year, provides free music classes for South County students.

The event starts at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$30 for premium seating, \$20 for general admission, \$10 for seniors and \$5 for students. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. Call (831) 375-1992.

■ 'Ol Blue Eyes remembered

While **Jack London's Bar and Grill** offers a special Valentine's Day feast, Friday, Feb. 14, singer **John Michael** and keyboardist **Tom Lawson** pay tribute to the music of Frank Sinatra.

Local music promoter **Kiki Wow** said Jack London's makes a perfect destination for the most romantic day of the year. "This night promises to say, 'I love you' out loud," Wow suggested.

Dinner shows are offered from 6 to 8 p.m. and 9 to 11

p.m. The cost is \$49 a person, which includes a glass of wine, an appetizer, a three-course gourmet meal, chocolate for dessert, a single rose, "and a red sparkler to keep the night sizzling with delight," Wow added.

Jack London's is located in the Su Vecino courtyard on Dolores between Fifth and Sixth. Call (831) 624-2336.

■ 'Acoustic Sundays at Edgar's

Multi-talented singersongwriter **Haroula Rose**— who makes films, teaches and writes when she's not playing music — performs Sunday, Feb. 16, in Edgar's restaurant at Quail Lodge in Carmel Valley.

The latest installment in the lodge's free monthly acoustic concert series, the show begins at noon. The restaurant is located at 8205 Valley Greens Drive. Call (831) 620-8910.

Rose will also perform Saturday at the Manny Espinoza Gallery & Photo Studio in Sand City. The music begins at 7 p.m. and tickets are \$20 at the door. The gallery is located at 613 Ortiz Ave, Suite B, Sand City.

Check out Rose's mix of folk, pop and Americana at haroularose.bandcamp.com.

■ An all-ages venue

Located inside Carmel Youth Center, the brand-new music venue Carmel Live hosts an allages show Saturday with The Strawberry Girls, Sugar Sauce, singer-songwriter Lillie Lemon and The Modern Life. The allmale Strawberry Girls and the Modern Life play progressive rock, while Lemon offers "indie rock with a sour twist." Founded by singer-songwriter Michael Glines, Sugar Sauce serves up a tasty mix of "funky groovy indie shoegaze that makes you dance, cry, fall in love and get your heart broken all at once."

The music starts 7 p.m. and there's a \$5 cover. The youth center is located at Fourth and Torres. Call (831) 235-8427.

■ Celtic music meets hard rock

Providing the perfect excuse for downing a couple pints of Guinness, an electri-

fied version of **The Bog Duo** plays Saturday at Flanagan's Irish American Pub.

Backed by a drummer and bass player, singer **John Michael** and guitarist **Patrick Golden** bring together traditional Celtic music and hard rock. "These guys will Celtically rock your socks off with some Irish ditties and some way cool classic rock covers," pub owner **Joe Opitz** declared.

The music starts at 9 p.m. and there's no cover. The pub is located in The Barnyard shopping center above Allegro Pizza. Call (831) 625-5500.

■ Live Music Feb. 14-Feb. 20

Terry's Lounge at Cypress Inn — pianist Gennady Loktionov and singer Debbie Davis (cabaret, Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.); singer Andrea Carter (jazz and blues, Sunday at 11 a.m.); guitarist Richard Devinck (classical, Sunday at 5 p.m.); and pianist Dick Whittington and bassist Dan Robbins ("Music from the Great American Songbook," Thursday at 6 p.m.). Lincoln and Seventh, (831) 624-3871.

Mission Ranch — singer and pianist Maddaline Edstrom (pop and jazz, Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 7

p.m.); and pianist **Gennady Loktionov** (jazz, Monday through Thursday at 7 p.m.). 26270 Dolores St., (831) 625-9040.

Jack London's Bar and Grill — The Vibe Tribe Trio with Guitar Bob, Kiki Wow, Blake Mallory and Paul Owen (classic rock, Saturday at 7 p.m.). Dolores between Fifth and Sixth, (831) 624-2336.

The Fuse Lounge at Carmel Mission Inn — singer **Dino Vera** (jazz and blues, Saturday at 9 p.m.). 3665 Rio Road, (831) 624-6630.

Bahama Island Steakhouse — singer-songwriter Rose Merrill (folk, country and pop, Saturday from 5 to 9 p.m.). In the Barnyard shopping center, (831) 626-0430.

Julia's restaurant in Pacific Grove — guitarist Rick

Chelew and accordionist Elise Leavy (Thursday at 5:30 p.m.). 1180 Forest Ave. in Pacific Grove.

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Spanish Bay — singer-songwriter Bryan Diamond (Friday and Saturday at 9 p.m.). 2700 17-Mile Dr. in Pebble Beach, (831) 647-7500.

Fernwood Resort in Big Sur — **The Mudflap Mamas** (Americana, Friday at 9 p.m.); and **The French Cassettes** (indie pop-rock, Saturday at 9 p.m.). On Highway 1 25 miles south of Carmel, (831) 667-2422.

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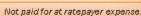
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Editorial

Hypocrisy on parade

ONE OF the annoying things local activists do is hide their real motives. Time after time, they claim to have virtuous or altruistic reasons for acting the way they do, even as those very actions prove that they're really working toward something else entirely. And what they usually want is some kind of autocratic rule in favor of their

The people who gave the Monterey Peninsula its water shortage, for example, said they were fighting for restrictions on local water use to protect the Carmel River and its native plants and animals. But as soon as those draconian restrictions were in place, the activists started doing (and are still doing) everything they could think of to stop alternate water sources from being developed, thereby leaving the river in its parched state and proving that their real motive is to stop development — even the small amounts of new development the majority of citizens believe their communities need.

The same exact thing happened with the small group demanding that Flanders Mansion be retained in public ownership. At first, their demand was that the mansion not be sold without a public vote. But when the vote happened, and the citizens decided by a sizable majority that the mansion should be unloaded, the activists immediately disclaimed the vote and sued to have it overturned. Now, you never hear them call for a public vote on the future of Flanders Mansion.

The latest example of obvious hypocrisy by our local activists was on full display this week at the Marina City Council, as a small group trying to prevent a desal plant from being built bent themselves into pretzels trying to come up with reasons why even tiny, preliminary test wells for the desal plant shouldn't be allowed to be drilled.

Their gambit started when the first version of an EIR was completed for the Monterey Peninsula's desal plant. The anti-desal activists sued to overturn that EIR because they said it insufficiently analyzed the impacts a desal plant in Marina might have on the Salinas Valley aquifer, which the valley's farmers rely on to grow their crops. The lawsuit claimed that in-depth analysis was required to measure the possible harm the desal plant might do to that aquifer.

At which point, the California Public Utilities Commission agreed, and decided a series of test wells were required to determine what harm, if any, the desal plant would do to the Salinas Valley's water supply.

But when preparations were made to drill test wells to measure that impact, the anti-desal activists decided that the test wells themselves would harm the aquifer and must be stopped.

At the Marina City Council Wednesday night, an attorney for the activists argued that something called a "cone of depression" would be created around the small test wells, thereby damaging the precious Salinas aquifer. Of course, the real cone of depression was the one that descended on the audience as they listened to his gratuitous advocacy.

If these particular activists trying to stop the desal plant were sincere about their claimed motive — protecting the aquifer — they would support the test wells, because the harm the test wells would show (at least, the harm the activists are certain they would show) would be the surest way to stop the desal plant from being built in Marina, now and forever.

Obviously, what they really fear is that the test wells will show that the harm doesn't exist, and that such a finding will help clear the way for the desal plant. But that would also be a victory for the activists — wouldn't it? — since they could then go to bed happy every night, secure in the knowledge that their aquifer was safe. No, it wouldn't, but only because their true motive is something other than what they

We're not sure if these particular activists support some other desal method, are nogrowth simpletons, or are just on a power trip.

Whatever their true motive is, the Marina City Council is to be congratulated for ignoring them, sticking to reason and logic, and upholding its obligation to promote the public welfare.

Now, can somebody please get started drilling the test wells?

BEST of BATES



"Fire trucks and paramedics? Somebody must have stubbed his toe."

Letters to the Editor

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Support for Cal Am takeover Dear Editor,

Your Feb. 7 front page article, "Cal Am takeover idea drawing little support" is disingenuous, at best.

The seven groups you listed as being opposed to the takeover have a combined membership of no more than 300 people, and most, if not all, of those groups are scheduled to be the beneficiaries of Cal Am negotiated reduced rates if and when Cal Am stays the course and ends up as the future purveyor of water to the peninsula.

The gift from Cal Am to those groups will be at the expense of all residential ratepayers (as are all Cal Am gifts to special interest groups). This is how Cal Am buys its support and how we — the ratepayers — pay for it with the complicity of the Public Utilities Commission which has become a lapdog to Cal Am in allowing them to recover virtually all of their expenses from ratepayers.

It is amazing that The Pine Cone finds "little support" for a Cal Am takeover when the petition circulated by Public Water Now garnered in excess of 8,400 signatures (using unpaid volunteers only) from people who live in the Cal Am water service area.

Compare those 8,400+ people who have individually put their name on the line "For Publicly Owned Water" with the perhaps 300 who are represented by the leaders of those organizations. 8,400 vs. 300 shows tremendous support for Public Water and that support will carry through the election in June.

Doug Wilhelm, Carmel

'Prominent organizations' Dear Editor,

My idea of "prominent organizations and community leaders" differs from those chosen by The Pine Cone in the recent article regarding the public takeover of California American Water. Ron Cohen, George Riley, and Public Water Now are working hard for the best interests of the people of our community. Supporting abusive corporations is never a good idea. I would add that peace, social justice, and environmental groups working to save our fragile planet are also prominent organizations.

Darby Worth, Carmel

'Don't look to the courts'

In the Pine Cone Jan. 24 editorial, "Why We Have Courts," there were some basic errors which unfortunately have far reaching

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Recalling the cheerful man on the mountaintop

MOSES WANDERED the desert for 40 years, climbed a mountain and came away with the Ten Commandments.

Leonard Knight spent almost as much time in a parched environment, created his own brilliant mountain and inspired a new generation of disciples.

Knight was the eccentric desert rat who single-handedly developed Salvation Mountain, the blotch of dazzling color on a dreary desert landscape in the Imperial Valley.

With donated paint and the patience of a saint, Knight

beyond the realm

By JOE LIVERNOIS

produced a kitschy monument with a simple message of faith: "God Is Love."

He died Monday at age 82.

The grizzled but buoyant veteran of the Korean War devoted 30 years of his life to his project until bad health forced him into convalescent care two years ago.

Salvation Mountain is a Godzillian model of folk art expression and extemporaneous design. Situated not far from the Salton Sea, at the gateway of a squatters paradise known as Slab City, the "mountain" is actually an earthen outcrop about three stories high and a couple of hundred feet long that Knight slathered in blazing colors and Bible

It has the look of a Play-Doh paradise gone bonkers, a Gumdrop Mountain for the convict-

Indeed, there was a certain kooky element to the man and his work, a genuine reflection of his barren neighborhood.

Knight showed up in Slab City in the early 1980s from Vermont, where he had been a welder, a handyman and a guitar teacher. He joined hundreds of others who parked themselves on a patch of sere earth owned by the state. Its residents might live out of aluminum, wheeled homes and most of the innovation appears to have been rescued from the scrap heap, but Slab City has the feel of a permanent and low-rent installation of Burning Man.

Slab City is a rejection of prevalent societal conventions, complete with Confederate and Jolly Roger flags whipping in the ubiquitous dust storms, but Knight's

monument is a lunatic embrace of the Holy Spirit, if not one man's monolithic exorcism of unholy ghosts.

County and state officials tried to chase Knight out of the place several decades ago, on the pretext that the donated paint he used to cover the mountain threatened to ruin the natural environment.

They eventually gave up, likely after concluding that there wasn't much any one man could do to despoil the place any more than nature had already accomplished. So Knight plodded along, living out of the camper insert in the back of his truck and reproducing his Hallelujah visions.

Over time, Knight's mountain became a backdrop for scenes in a couple of Hollywood films and the subject for

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City's secrecy gets worse and worse

COMMENTARY by NEIL SHAPIRO

A FEW weeks ago I wrote about Carmel City Administrator Jason Stilwell's antipathy to the law requiring governments to open governmental records to the governed. The occasion was his presentation of a rather curious report to the city council setting forth what he said was the cost of responding to 51 public record requests submitted during a period of six months. Stilwell explained at the time that "[w]e estimate the hours and costs based on the total time of all those involved in processing the request" and the "cost is then based upon the rate of those involved." My commentary examined entries in the report and suggested that Stilwell's numbers appeared to make no sense.

But I wanted to be fair to Stilwell. On behalf of a small cadre of citizens who believe in open government I requested that he provide the following documents:

"(1) All records reviewed or created in the preparation of the Public Records Request Log 2013 provided to the Carmel City Council earlier this month; and (2) Records sufficient to identify the individuals involved in the preparation of the Public Records Request Log 2013, and the amount of time spent by each."

The following day Stilwell sought clarification of the first part of the request, and I provided it: "What I seek are the records by which you determined the amounts of time spent in responding, as reported to the council — who worked on a request, and for how long — and by which you determined the appropriate hourly rate for that person or those persons." Referencing an exemplar request included in the report, I said that "I want whatever records you used to determine, or summarize, that a combined 13.4 hours were spent in responding, who spent those hours, and how the hourly rate for each of those people was calculated."

Stilwell's Feb. 4 response was remarkable. First, it acknowledged that the "request seeks disclosable public records" and claims that it attaches all such records. It then assures that no document was withheld and that nothing was redacted from any document; the "disclosable records ... provided herewith do not contain information subject to the attorney-client communication privilege, attorney work product privilege, applicable exemptions under the Public Records Act or any other privileges and exemptions provided by statute and case law" and "[a]s such, the city has not withheld any responsive records identified to date nor has it redacted any portion of the records provided herewith."

So what was produced? Two documents: (1) A copy of the report referenced in the request and already public, and (2) A

TWO GIRLS

10-page invoice from the law firm of Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth with virtually everything redacted. The only information visible was the date of the invoice (dates in November 2013 on which some undefined work apparently was performed), and the time spent and charges imposed for that mysterious work. The amount of the invoice for that single month, in case you are wondering, was \$23,192.50.

When I threatened litigation to enforce the law, Stilwell provided the same invoice, but with slightly fewer redactions. We now know that the Stradling "team" had lots of conferences, sent each other "multiple emails" and "strategized," presumably about how to avoid making public records public. And he provided a new log that recounts some of the same information as the log given to the council, but with a number of different time and cost estimates. It does show, however, that the average hour of city employee time is estimated for Stilwell's purposes to cost \$185 — with some going as high as \$395 — which likely will surprise those

While reasonable minds may differ on whether some specific, limited governmental records may be withheld, it is beyond contravention that the vast majority of governmental records must be made public on request. The rule is disclosure, and only the occasional exception warrants non-disclosure. Most requests can be handled by city staff, and there is always City Attorney Don Freeman — already on a monthly retainer and with lots of Public Records Act experience for most of the rest.

Only an occasional request can properly merit referral to outside lawyers, much less a "team." Yet at Stilwell's direction the city apparently ran up more than \$23,000 in fees for a single month for what appears to be looking for ways to try thwart your right to view the workings of your own government. Those are your tax dollars supporting that effort. And if anyone sues and vindicates the right to access, you get to pay the lawyers on both sides. If you don't want your money spent hiding your government's conduct from you, you need to say so. And loudly.

Neil Shapiro is a Monterey attorney who has more than 40 years experience with the Public Records Act, including 27 years with the San Francisco Chronicle.

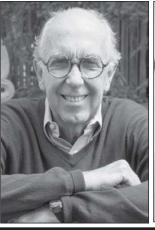
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A love story that happened in spite of the best-laid plans

IT'S BEEN said that "life is what happens while you're making other plans." Pierre and Marietta Bain of Pacific Grove's venerable Fandango restaurant can attest to

that. They've been married for 38 years, and after watching them for just a few minutes, it's evident they adore each other. It's hard to believe that if their original plans had worked out, they never would

Pierre was heir to the Grand Hotel Bain in Provence. It's in the Guinness Book of World Records because it's been passed from father to son without exception since its opening in 1737, making it the world's longest continuously owned family hotel. Pierre, the oldest



Marietta and Pierre Bain, owners of Fandango restaurant and newlyweds for 38 years.

of four boys, was sent to hotel school to learn the business. After graduation, the plan was for him to intern a year each at a hotel in an English-speaking and a German-speaking

Great Lives

By ELAINE HESSER

country — since he spoke both languages then return home to manage the Grand Hotel.

Bain completed school and left for a year in Bermuda to start his English-speaking internship. One year turned into five before he was ready to go back to Europe. It was 1964, and Greyhound offered foreign visitors to the United States 19 days of unlimited travel for \$19. Not wanting to miss the opportunity to see the United States before leaving, Bain visited Florida and New Orleans, saw the Grand Canyon, and ended up in San Francisco, where he took a shortterm job waiting tables at L'Etoile, an elegant restaurant in the Huntington Hotel. He explained his strategy: "You get a job and meet people who will take you around and show you the sights."

Not long afterward, Aime Michaud, then-President of Del Monte Properties Company, dined at L'Etoile, and invited Bain to join the team that would open Pebble Beach's swank new restaurant, Club XIX. Between the gorgeous scenery and the lure of Laguna Seca Bain was a racing fan — the offer was irresistible. Fortunately, one of his brothers agreed to take over the family business in his stead. And in 1975, he met Marietta.

The former Marietta Marcuzzo's family tree was populated by hard-working Sicilian fishermen and a widowed grandmother who managed to support six children by running restaurants in Omaha, Los Angeles and Monterey over the years. Marietta's plan was

to attend school in Saratoga to become a freelance court reporter. Like the rest of her family, she was diligent and energetic, holding down four jobs at once, one of which was a weekend stint at Club XIX. Soon, Pierre offered her a full-time job at the restaurant, and she decided to forgo the court reporting. "Pebble Beach was a dream job!" she said.

Pierre got up the nerve to ask her to a ski show at the Cow Palace. "My dad never gave me advice, but he told me not to go," Marietta said. He didn't have anything

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DOGNAPPED

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they wanted for Christmas was for Candy Cane to come back."

Perkins, who teaches precalculus, calculus and trigonometry at Hartnell College, did not return messages left by the Pine Cone Monday. His Monterey-based attorney, James Newhouse, also declined to comment.

But Dalton said that Perkins' children played with her kids, and Perkins and his wife would attend their Christmas parties, and vice versa. Dalton also said Perkins never verbally complained to them about Candy Cane, though they did receive anonymous notes on their mailbox regarding the dog's barking.

Perkins has pleaded not guilty to the charges. However, a judge Tuesday ordered the math teacher to stay away from all the members of the Dalton family.

'Dognapped twice'

The first time Candy Cane went missing was the summer of 2012. The Daltons discovered she was gone after returning from Disneyland. After searching and plastering neighborhood signs with fliers and contacting pet stores, veterinarians and the police, the dog was found about a week later in the Highlands and returned to the Daltons by the

SPCA for Monterey County.

"We never knew how she ended up from our enclosed yard to the Highlands," Dalton said.

The dog went missing again in July 2013

while the Daltons were out of town for a short trip. Their dogsitter realized Candy Cane was gone the morning after they left town. They never found her.

Dalton said she's concerned that because county prosecutors have many other serious crimes to contend with, that Perkins' charges will be reduced to lesser ones.

"Children should never have to go through this," she said.

Though Perkins technically faces a maximum of five years behind bars if he's convicted of all four

felony counts, it's unlikely that will happen. However, he could be sentenced to some time in jail, fines and felony probation if convicted.

Greg Perkins

The SPCA recommends people contact their local police department or animal control officer if a neighborhood dog is problem barker.

"Many times pet owners have no idea their pet is barking when they are away," SPCA spokeswoman Beth Brookhouser said. "If the situation doesn't improve, there are commercial barking deterrents available that cause no harm to the pet and cannot be heard by humans."



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curious documentarians, writers and photographers who tried to make sense of the place. Knight portrayed himself in scenes shot at Salvation Mountain for Sean Penn's 2007 film, "Into the Wild."

None of the portrayals do the mountain justice. It must be seen — the mad Technicolor brilliance against a backdrop of desolation — to be fully appreciated. It is the sort of place that almost left Huell Howser speechless.

Today Salvation Mountain is probably the most popular tourist attraction in Imperial Valley. Finding the place might burden the average GPS and parking is a disorganized riot over bare and rutted earth, but at least admission is free.

We made the pilgrimage to the mountain on a late afternoon two weeks ago, around the time Knight stopped taking food from his caretakers about 100 miles away in an El Cajon convalescent home. We knew he was sick, but we didn't realize at the time that he was preparing his final journey.

A couple dozen other visitors were clambering over the hill when we showed up. They lingered in the grottos and around the altars that Knight had punched into his monument. Some of them were True Believers;

others were drawn by the audacity of his accomplishment.

They were silent, for the most part, as though in respect for the reverence of a cathedral

"I don't believe in this religious stuff," said a tat-laden woman who brought her two daughters to the mountain. "But you've got to admire a person with this sort of conviction."

God rest his soul.

MTM

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hoop," his daughter said.

He photographed the Beatles in 1964, Playboy founder Hugh Hefner, models Christie Brinkley and Carol Alt, Richard Nixon, Walt Disney and scores of famous sports figures including Mickey Mantle, Sandy Koufax, Willie Mays, Frank Shorter and Wilt Chamberlain.

Now that the disputed "Mary Tyler Moore Show" photo is back in their possession, Zimmerman said she's likely going to contact the National Portrait Gallery, which already has a large number of her father's other photographs in its collection.

"It would be in good company there," she

and her father thought workplace romances were risky. "You love your job," she remembers him saying, "and this can only lead to losing it." She ultimately ignored his advice; she says she didn't think of it as a date — and she didn't care about skiing.

against Pierre, but Marietta worked for him

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After the ski show, Pierre took her to Marrakech Moroccan Restaurant for dinner. "We sat on those big pillows on the floor," Marietta remembers, smiling. "It was so romantic!" And so began a whirlwind romance and, for Marietta, over a decade of deception. "I lied about liking skiing for 12 years," she laughed. "I tried to convince myself I liked it, but my children didn't like it either." Pierre chimed in, "That was pretty much the end of our ski trips."

In 1986, with help from the late Alan Shugart (co-founder of Silicon Valley giant Seagate), Pierre and Marietta bought Fandango from the Georis family. They liked the cottage look and feel — it resembles the family hotel in Provence. They fancied it up

a little with tablecloths and linen napkins, and made the menu their own. Regulars have their favorites from osso buco to sweetbreads — some things, as Pierre says, "you can't get anywhere else." Many of the staff have worked for him for decades, some going back to his days at Club XIX.

The couple agree that the best, and most challenging, thing about the last 38 years has been "working and being together every day." They somehow found time to raise two children, and are the proud grandparents of two grandchildren. The whole family travels to France annually for a reunion. Some of the cousins have come to work a summer at Fandango, just as the Bains' son, Rene, spent some summers at the Grand Hotel Bain.

When asked if they'd ever retire, Marietta quickly asserted that Pierre was "not allowed to retire." He laughed. "I like it here," he said. "I don't do any heavy lifting anymore; but I'm not going to get bored." He's dedicated to keeping Fandango the traditional place locals love. And after nearly four decades together, he and Marietta seem dedicated to loving each other for many years to come as well. That, we think, sounds like a plan.

To suggest someone for this column, email emgiuliano@gmail.com.

LETTERS

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impacts on how we treat people who are accused of wrongdoing.

According to the Monterey County Superior Court's own website: The role of the Judicial Branch is to 'interpret the application of the law,' not, as you stated, 'protect citizens from danger.' The danger your editorial creates is a society that believes being charged with a crime makes you a criminal which violates the basic tenet that we are innocent until proven guilty.

When we believe that all people accused are guilty before a trial we can and do convict the innocent. Juries come to court with a preconceived belief that an accusation equals guilt. An accusation or arrest does not make someone a criminal. As you stated, terrible crimes are committed every day which destroy peoples lives, but equally destructive is believing and treating an innocent person as guilty and assuming that accusations make you a criminal.

Your editorial just feeds the decline of our legal system and the attitudes expressed diminishes us all.

Oh, by the way, the Ten Commandments were preceded by a number of other legal systems including the Code of Hammurabi, dated 1770 BC, which had over 250 laws.

Please do not look to the courts to save us from danger. We must save ourselves.

Tracy Kugelman, Carmel Valley

Youth center's vitality Dear Editor,

The Carmel Youth Center continues to be a home for local youth. According to our records, prior to 2011, the average daily attendance was about 15. Now, the attendance average is 35 visitors each day. During the summer the numbers are even more striking. Prior to 2011, the summer program served fewer than 8 children each day. Last summer we averaged 53 children each day and had as many as 75 on some days.

As any business owner or director knows, there is a difference between a yearly operating budget and a savings account. The CYC, like many non-profit organizations, has a modest endowment fund and an investment portfolio. We are not in financial trouble, but we recognize that we must raise money every year to finance our annual budget through grants, donations, and fundraisers such as the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am. All funding goes to facility maintenance, utilities, programming, and staffing.

Why it has been a challenge to get volunteers is a difficult question to answer, however we are confident that it has nothing to do with the degree to which we are a comfortable home for local youth. Anyone who visits the CYC will tell you that we are a thriving home for dozens of children. Our staff members are supportive, fun, and engaged.

Ernest Griffin-Ortiz, Administrative Director, Carmel Youth Center

'Highly simplistic and slanted' Dear Editor,

I have been enjoying The Pine Cone of late, and finding it to be a source of local news that is sometimes omitted by the other publications. But this latest edition got my hackles up on a couple occasions. I will pick one, your editorial, "What is Money?" which you claim as a "rather simple analysis" of economics; justifying the purse for the AT&T as a launching pad to criticize Obamacare. I would characterize the piece as a highly simplistic and slanted analysis.

You assert that the free market economy fairly compensates the true value of the productivity and benefit to society, and implies that people are paid fairly for the value they offer. In 2012, the CEO of Coca-Cola was compensated \$30 million. Is the chief of a soft drink company really six hundred times more valuable than a hard-working public school teacher making \$50,000 per year? Or a low educated person laboring 60 hours per week in three part-time, minimum wage jobs to make less than one thousandth the salary of said CEO?

What galls even more is the contextual shenanigans in this editorial about press secretary Jay Carney's "trapped in a job" comment. Prior to Obamacare there was a thing called pre-existing conditions. That means workers with such a condition could not possibly change jobs, because they would be unable to qualify for health insurance, surely a draconian condition of the so-called free market. Yet the paper infers that the administration has insidiously crafted Obamacare to gleefully give opportunities for people to quit their jobs and move to the couch for the long term.

What next? A byline of "fair and balanced?"

Michael Baer,

Monterey

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