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## Steve Dallas elected mayor by solid majority

### ■ Reimers, Richards picked for council; fifth member to be named

By MARY SCHLEY

IN DECISIVE voting this week, Carmel residents elected two new city council members, Bobby Richards and Jan Reimers, and chose councilman Steve Dallas to become mayor. After they're installed later this month, the newly elected officials' first major task will be to fill Dallas' council seat. And with that, the person with the most experience on the council will be Carrie Theis, who was appointed to replace retiring councilwoman Paula Hazdovac in 2012.

According to updated results released at noon Thursday, the votes were 732 for Dallas vs. 576 for councilman Ken Talmage, and 770 for Reimers, 647 for Richards, 394 for Richard Kreitman, 381 for Dave Mosley and 169 for Jack Pappadeas. Overall voter turnout was 53 percent.

Dallas, who was elected to the council in 2014, said he was "overwhelmed and delighted" by the results. "I worked hard to earn the confidence of the voters in this campaign, and I will work equally hard to fulfill the commitment I made to all citizens in my 'Contract with Carmel.'"

He encouraged people, regardless of whether they supported his election bid, to voice their concerns and opinions, and he promised to "listen with an open mind before taking any actions." Dallas also said he's confident the community can come together again after a sometimes "contentious campaign" — though that contentiousness was largely due to his own aggressive campaigning against Talmage.

"I look forward to working with the newest council members, Jan Reimers and Bobby Richards, and after our swearing in, we will immediately plan to fill the vacancy on the council created by my election to mayor and fill commission vacancies with the elevation of Jan and Bobby," he said, adding that he's already met with city administrator Chip Rerig to discuss the meeting agendas for May.

"Honesty, integrity and transparency will continue to be my guiding principles," he said.

Reimers said she wanted to "thank the community for their votes of confidence" and said she began her campaign "promoting open, lively

### Inside: Who is Howard Ahmanson, and why'd he send that mailer?



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(Clockwise from top left) — At city hall Tuesday night, Steve Dallas and his very happy family, including mom Mitzi, daughter Alex and wife Maddy, celebrated his big win. Ken Talmage was joined by his daughter, Julie Gordon, while he awaited the returns. Bobby Richards was pensive but optimistic as the numbers rolled in. And No.1 council vote-getter Jan Reimers posed with No. 3, Richard Kreitman.

## Lucius, Panetta differ on encryption bill

By KELLY NIX

CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES Casey Lucius and Jimmy Panetta this week responded to proposed legislation that would force tech companies to cooperate with law enforcement when it comes to unlocking phones and accessing encrypted data.

Democratic Sen. Dianne Feinstein — who drafted the bill with North Carolina Republican Sen. Richard Burr — contends the bill would help keep Americans safe.

"Today, terrorists and criminals are increasingly using encryption to foil law enforcement efforts, even in the face of a court order," Feinstein said in a press release. "We need strong encryption to protect personal data, but we also need to know when terrorists are plotting to kill Americans."

### 'Makes us vulnerable'

Lucius, a Republican, condemned the bipartisan bill Wednesday, saying that it not only tramples on privacy rights but creates a legal mandate for companies to maintain a back door into cell phones and other devices that could be exploited by foreign powers and criminal hackers.

"Having the federal government hold the key to our phones, iPads, and laptops makes us individually vulnerable as well as nationally vulnerable," Lucius told The Pine Cone this week.

Lucius, who served as a professor of national security at the Naval War College and ran an intelligence unit on the USS John C. Stennis in the Persian Gulf, said she was one of 5 million federal workers who had their personal data compromised in June 2015 when Office of Personnel Management computers were hacked — possibly by the Chinese government.

"The federal government has at its disposal enough capability to combat terrorism without taking constitutional shortcuts that are counterproductive to maintaining our security," she said.

Entities covered under Feinstein's proposed bill — officially called the Compliance with Court Orders Act of 2016 — include device and software manufacturers, electronic communication services, and "any person who provides a product or method to facilitate a communication or to process or store data."

Those who receive court orders for information or data for the investigation or prosecution of certain "serious crimes" must provide it to the feds in "an intelligible format or provide the technical assistance necessary to do so," the bill says.

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## Woman remains hospitalized after being run over by out-of-control car

By MARY SCHLEY

A 74-YEAR-OLD Carmel resident was taken to Natividad Medical Center March 8 after a man driving a Jaguar ran her over when his shoe got stuck on the accelerator.

First, he smashed into his own closed garage door, then floored his car in reverse and into the street, where Renati Mannan was walking a friend's dog, according to police and Mannan's friends.

After hitting her and dragging her several feet, John Elliott, 59, then drove through his own fence, where his car finally came to rest against the gas meter of his house.

Mannan remains in the hospital,

where she received skin grafts Thursday, friend Ali McDaniel said.

"Besides the leg, which is still covered with hematomas, she's got a fractured pelvis, three broken ribs, came close to losing an eye, and her arm looks like it went through a meat-grinder," she said, as surgeons prepared to take skin from Mannan's stomach and thighs to graft over the wounds on her leg. "She's been through hell — it's just been a nightmare for her."

Carmel Police Sgt. Luke Powell took the report March 8, but more than a month later, the case is still under investigation, and Powell interviewed Elliott again on Wednesday. Cmdr. Paul

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Renati Mannan was hit by a runaway car in early March and received skin grafts Thursday. It's unknown whether the driver will be cited.

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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Taken with Tessa

IT ALL started when he decided to surprise his wife by coming home with a little companion to keep her company during her convalescence. He planned to go to the pound, plunk down a few dollars, and pick out a pup. But then he ran into a friend who was out walking the cutest little dog he'd ever seen. And he knew his wife would absolutely adore one.

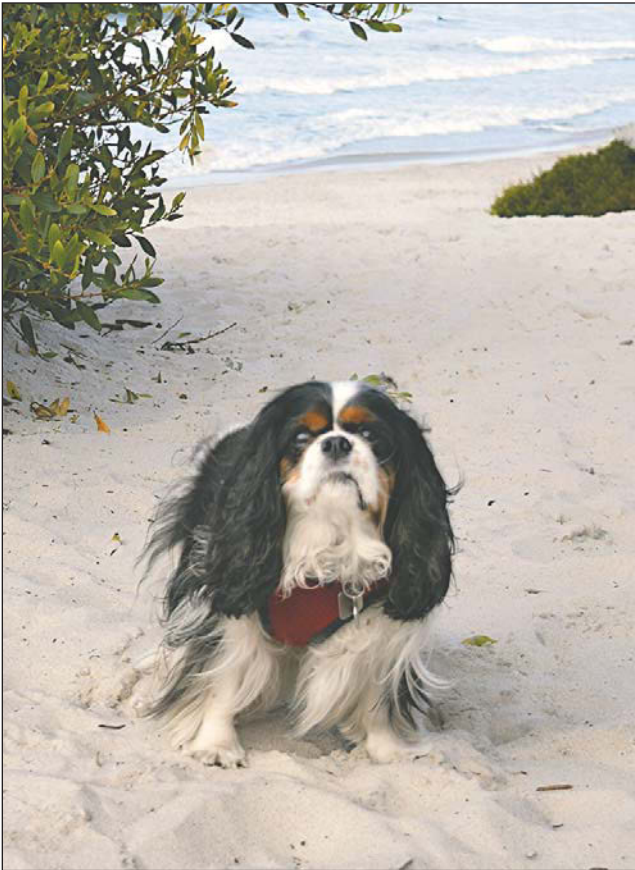
After doing a little Internet research, he met with a breeder and ended up parting with more than a few dollars to bring home a beautiful 10-week-old Cavalier King Charles Spaniel. And he was right; it was love at first sight for his wife.

He thought maybe they should name her "Freckles" after the tiny dots that had begun to pepper her muzzle. But his wife felt she should have a more elegant name, something befitting her breed. She found she was taken with "Tessa."

"From the very beginning," says her person, "Tessa has been bright, lovable, attentive, sweet. She used to sit with my wife, keeping close and bringing her comfort, all day long."

Tessa also got out regularly for a walk in the warm Carmel Valley air. Sometimes she'd go for a romp at the beach, which she loved, running along the shore, chasing birds, and stirring up sand.

Now 8, Tessa has slowed down a bit, and her person doesn't have as much patience to sift that sand



out of her coat. But they still go for walks through Carmel-by-the-Sea or down along Scenic Road, overlooking the beach.

"Carmel Valley was just beautiful to us, but a tad boring for Tessa," her person says. "Now we live in downtown Carmel. When we go for our walk, people stop us every 25 feet to admire and ask about Tessa. She absolutely loves the attention."

On Saturday, April 16, from noon to 3:30 p.m., the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel BYOP&P (Bring Your Own People & Picnic) beach romp will take place at Carmel Beach below Scenic Road and Ninth Avenue. Hundreds of Cavaliers and their people have been known to attend.

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Please share your thoughts with me. All points of view are important.

Sincerely,  
Jan Reimers

Contact me at janetr2016@gmail.com or PO 6295, Carmel-by-the-Sea, 93921  
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The special election for **Measure X** gives the citizens of Pacific Grove the opportunity to vote on a zoning change for the American Tin Cannery site at 125 Ocean View Boulevard to allow for hotel usage on the site.

**CEQA** By law, the development will be subject to CEQA review, a process that is currently underway.

The Pacific Grove City Council voted on March 2, 2016 to retain EMC and Kimley-Horn to conduct the EIR under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the proposed Project Bella.

**Water** Water use regulations are not affected by the passing of Measure X. The project currently has on-site water credits available.

The project will be developed at the highest level of sustainability, LEED Platinum. LEED Platinum standards require innovative methods including intensive conservation and recycling of water. Proven technologies that dramatically reduce water consumption will be incorporated into the plans. *“Water conservation technologies currently available in the marketplace can be incorporated into a LEED platinum building to enable the proposed hotel at the ATC to be designed and operated to utilize no more potable water than is currently available to this project.”*

**Barry Giles**, Founder & CEO, BuildingWise, LLC  
Barry Giles is a founding member of the US Green Building Council’s LEED Existing Building Core Committee, a LEED fellow and a member of the San Francisco Green Building Task Force. BuildingWise has over 150 LEED buildings certified or in the process of being certified.



**Traffic** Hotels generate less traffic than retail centers.

**Hotel Trip Generation**  
*(Estimated vehicle trips daily)*  
Trip Generation Per Room – 8.17  
Trip Generation All Rooms –1840  
**Specialty Retail Center Trip Generation**  
*(Estimated vehicle trips daily)*  
Trip Generation Per 1000 sq. ft. – 44.32  
Total Trip Generation – 3546  
**A Hotel at 100% occupancy** at the American Tin Cannery site **would reduce the number of daily traffic trips** generated by the Specialty Retail Center (at 50% occupancy) **by approximately 50%.**  
*Source: Trip Generation, Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), Eighth Edition*

**Size** Project Bella will be the same height as the existing building. It will be 40’ tall at its highest and have 10 percent less coverage than the exiting American Tin Cannery.

Below is a chart comparing the size of the new project in comparison with other local hotels.

	Height	Lot Coverage	Floors
Embassy Suites	150’	75%	14
Clement	45’	70%	4
American Tin Cannery	39’	65%	2
Project Bella	40’	55%	1 - 4

**New Revenue** Measure X will allow for new revenues from transient occupancy taxes, property taxes, sales and use taxes to support Pacific Grove’s library, police, fire department, parks, and other City services and operations. *“At full operation, the project would generate \$2.5 to \$3.6 million in annual Transient Occupancy taxes (TOT) for the City of Pacific Grove. The project would also produce \$443,100 in annual property taxes and between \$209,400 and \$294,000 in annual sales tax, depending on how much ancillary shopping the hotel guests do in Pacific Grove. The net fical effects of the project would be annual surplus General Fund revenues of \$3.0 million to \$4.1 million. In comparison, the existing retail use is estimated to produce net revenue of about \$301,100 per year.”*

*Source: April 6, 2016 Fiscal Analysis of the Proposed Hotel Bella Project Prepared for the City of Pacific Grove by Applied Development Economics, Inc.*  
The report was commissioned by the City of Pacific Grove to ascertain potential cost/revenue balance for the City government of the proposed Hotel Bella project from an independent third party. The full report is posted on the City of Pacific Grove’s website: <http://tinyurl.com/gr7p2hv>

**Endorsements**  
Measure X is endorsed by:  
**Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce**  
**Pacific Grove Economic Development Commission**  
**Pacific Grove General Employees Association**  
**Pacific Grove Police Officers Association**

*“This project is far more important than usual. It’s a very good project, at a very good location. It will result in a truly quality activity fitting for Pacific Grove and the financial impact is both important and essential for the future health of Pacific Grove. I hope you will personally support Measure X as the first step on the long path for the project. And I hope you will encourage you friends and neighbors also to support it.”*  
**Bill Kampe**, Resident and Civic Leader



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Measure X is endorsed by the Monterey Herald, Monterey County Weekly, The Carmel Pine Cone, Cedar Street Times and KSBW-TV.  
To endorse Measure X go to: [yesonmeasurexp.com](http://yesonmeasurexp.com)  
For more information call 831.241.6250

**VOTE Yes on Measure X, Tuesday, April 19!**

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# Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

## 50 year old busted for DUI scootering

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.

### MONDAY, MARCH 28

**Pacific Grove:** An 11-year-old male was visiting an apartment complex on Forest Avenue and asked a 5-year-old girl to pull down his pants and touch his genitals while they were outside playing. The girl's father was present and had his children go inside their apartment.

**Pacific Grove:** Officer was dispatched to suspicious circumstances involving a bush on Chestnut Street. Male stated the bush in front of his residence, which is located on his property, was cut. He said the middle of the bush was cut out and left behind. He threw away the portion of the bush that was cut into the yard waste. He stated he noticed someone took the cut bush out. At this time, he only wants this incident documented as an informational. He has no idea who could have cut the bush but does not want

them or anyone else on his property.

### TUESDAY, MARCH 29

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** At 0433 hours, a female on San Carlos south of Fourth got into a verbal argument with her husband of 46 years. There was no physical contact between the two, and no threat of violence. Because of an incident that happened earlier, one of the parties got a separate room for the night. This report is for information only.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Female requested her adult son and his girlfriend vacate their family's house on Monte Verde south of 11th that is under construction. Both subjects were contacted vacated the residence per the owner's request without incident. The residence was secured.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Police officers observed a heated verbal domestic dispute on Rio Road. Parties separated and counseled.

**Pacific Grove:** A known person contacted a resident on Fourth Street by phone multiple times within a 24-hour period. The resident told the person to stop calling him, but she refused.

The resident does not want to press charges; however, he asked that the incident be documented.

**Pacific Grove:** Officer was dispatched to a possible vehicle burglary on Lighthouse Avenue. Female stated she is watching her tenant's vehicle while they are out of town. She said she saw the front passenger vehicle door open. She was not sure if the vehicle was left unlocked by the owner. She does not know if there were any items taken from the vehicle.

**Pebble Beach:** Cormorant Road resident reported that a new neighbor's German shepherd barks throughout day. Dog owner advised, and said the dog will be kept indoors.

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a hit-and-run accident on Dolores Street with no suspect information.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A resident at Lobos and Second reported someone attempted to open a credit card account in her name and change her mailing address with the account.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Driver's license found. Message left on landline home phone. No cell available.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Found wallet in the commercial district on Ocean Avenue. Message left on owner's cell phone.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A caller reported the business sign at San Carlos and Fourth was missing. The sign was located on the wall next to the business. The caller does not know when exactly the sign was taken. Information only.

**Pacific Grove:** Officer was dispatched to the front counter of the Pacific Grove Police Department for past-tense threats by phone received by a victim on David Avenue.

**Pacific Grove:** A recycle company's worker peered inside someone's residence while the person was changing clothes in the morning. The Forest Avenue resident felt uncomfortable with the behavior and wanted it reported.

**Pacific Grove:** Officer was dispatched to a call on Shafter for a female who was gravely disabled. Female needed help due to not being able to take care of herself. Female was transported to the hospital to be checked.

**Pebble Beach:** Dead body found at an Oak Knoll Road residence.

**Carmel area:** An unknown man phoned a woman on Castro Lane to report her grandson was in a Chilean jail and to send a \$3,900 money order to get him released. The woman

discovered the call was a scam before sending money.

**Carmel area:** A business owner on Clock Tower Place reported a former employee stole approximately \$30,000 between January and March this year. Suspect is a 35-year-old female.

**Pebble Beach:** Customs Road resident reported a housekeeper stole a pair of earrings in December 2015.

**Pebble Beach:** Spyglass Woods Drive resident reported her wedding ring is missing from jewelry collection.

**Carmel Valley:** Middle Canyon Road resident reported an attempted scam.

**Carmel area:** Citizen reported a shoplifting at the Crossroads Safeway.

### THURSDAY, MARCH 31

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Loud verbal domestic dispute reported in the area of Second and Torres. Subject was arguing on the phone with his girlfriend (who was not present).

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A traffic stop was conducted on a vehicle on San Antonio Avenue for expired registration was conducted. Upon contacting the driver, the officer smelled a strong odor of marijuana coming from inside the vehicle. The driver admitted to having marijuana and provided a clear plastic baggie containing marijuana. The driver was cited for the expired registration and the possession of marijuana. The marijuana was weighed, photographed and placed into CPD evidence.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Caller reported a ring lost on today's date at an unknown location, possibly in the county area.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A resident at Torres and 11th came into the police station to report a fraudulent credit card transaction was processed on their bank account.

**Pacific Grove:** Officers dispatched to a three-vehicle injury accident on Forest Avenue.


**Pacific Grove:** Dead body found at a 17 Mile Drive residence.

**Big Sur:** Theft of gas from a business on Highway 1 was reported.


**Carmel area:** Items were stolen from a vehicle while the victim was at a local business on Carmel Rancho Boulevard.

**Carmel area:** CPS referral on Sycamore Place.

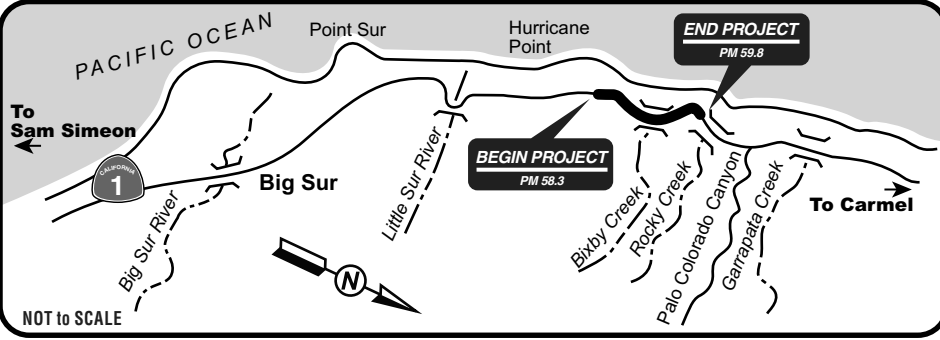
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The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to widen the shoulders and lanes, fix drainage, and construct or repair guardrail on Route 1, from 1 mile south of Bixby Creek Bridge to 0.25 mile south of Rocky Creek Bridge in Monterey County. The project is 15 miles south of Carmel and 13 miles north of Big Sur.

**WHY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE?**

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has prepared this Initial Study, which examines the potential environmental impacts of alternatives being considered for the proposed project in Monterey County in California. The document explains why the project is being proposed, the alternatives being considered for the project, the existing environment that could be affected by the project, potential impacts of each of the alternatives, and proposed avoidance, minimization, and/or mitigation measures.

**WHAT'S AVAILABLE?**

After comments are received from the public and reviewing agencies, Caltrans may 1) give environmental approval to the proposed project, 2) do additional environmental studies, or 3) abandon the project. If the project is given environmental approval and funding is appropriated, Caltrans could design and build all or part of the project.

**WHERE DO YOU COME IN?**

- Please read the Initial Study. Additional copies of this document are available for review at the Caltrans district office at 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401, Henry Miller Memorial Library, 48603 Hwy One, Big Sur 93920 and Big Sur Lodge (Front Desk), 47225 Hwy. One Big Sur, CA 93920
- The document can also be accessed electronically at the following website: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/projects/>
- Tell us what you think. If you have any comments regarding the proposed project, please send your written comments to Caltrans by the deadline. Submit comments via U.S. mail to: Matt Fowler, Senior Environmental Planner, Environmental Analysis, California Department of Transportation, 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401.
- Submit comments via email to: [matt.c.fowler@dot.ca.gov](mailto:matt.c.fowler@dot.ca.gov)
- Submit comments by the deadline: May, 17th 2016

**CONTACT**

For more project information about this project or to request an electronic or hard copy of the document, please call or write to Caltrans, Attn: Matt Fowler, Environmental Planning, 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401; phone (805) 542-4603.


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# Hotel Carmel opens for business

By MARY SCHLEY

THE FORMER Dolphin Inn, which was purchased by the company that also owns La Playa in late 2014 and then closed for remodeling last year, quietly reopened as Hotel Carmel last week, accepting its first overnight guests April 8.

Upgrades included replacing the pool with an outdoor lounge area with a fireplace and a deep hot tub, new paint and carpets, new furnishings, updated technology and new landscaping. Special touches — one of Classic Hotels’ specialties at all of the company’s properties — include an artistic photographer’s images of local sites, television systems that interface with guests’ phones and tablets, and a lobby lounge filled with comfortable furniture, books, and a stereo and tape deck, complete with a collection of audio cassettes.

Mary Crowe, GM of La Playa and Hotel Carmel, and company president John Grossman had a say in all aspects of the work and improvements, from the landscaping, to the types of pillows used in the lounge.

“I think about the residential character — you’ll hear this building referenced as a ‘house’ quite often,” said Crowe. “And people feel that way about La Playa, too.”

She said the warm, residential, welcoming feel is what they go for at both properties. Even in the lobby lounge, where breakfast is served in the mornings and wine is poured in the evenings, “everything you want is right here, and that is the magic.”

“The seating is so open, people will talk to each other,” she said. “It’s the subtle little things, such as having control over the music, that makes people want to linger.” That the front desk is tucked out of sight helps with the ambiance, too.

“We try to keep its authenticity, but we also want to make sure it wears well,” Grossman said. “And you don’t have to dress up to go to the lobby.”

He said he feels lucky to be involved with projects in Carmel.

“It’s a special place, and we’re humbled and appreciate the opportunity,” he said. “And we enjoy working hard and making comfortable places for people.”

# Monterey: Roundabout construction will be idled during car week

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

THE CONSTRUCTION of the Highway 68 roundabout is expected to cause delays and tie ups on the two-lane road until it’s mostly completed later this year, but the tens of thousands of people in town for Monterey Car Week and the Concours d’Elegance in August will get a big break.

Transportation Agency for Monterey County associate planner Ariana Green told The Pine Cone this week that during one of the Peninsula’s most popular events, construction on the nearly \$9 million roundabout — which is expected to begin at the end of May — will be paused.

“There will be no construction during the Concours d’ Elegance and the roads will be open,” Green said of the Aug. 15 - 21 Car Week event.

Despite several construction delays, the roundabout is set to be open for traffic in December 2016, with final landscaping and median work to be finished in February 2017.

TAMC and project partner City of Monterey are the lead agencies behind the roundabout, which they say will make traffic flow much easier through the heavily traveled intersection.

# Supes continue work toward short-term rental ordinance

By CHRIS COUNTS

PROPOSERS OF short-term rentals once again told the Monterey County Board of Supervisors April 12 they want a moratorium on enforcement until an ordinance regulating the business — and allowing it — is created. In response, supervisors directed the county’s legal staff to study the idea. But it isn’t clear if such a moratorium would even be legal.

Since the county sent out letters to short-term rental operators last month warning them that the practice is illegal in the county’s coastal areas, 5th District County Supervisor Dave Potter’s office has been inundated by letters from proponents of short-term rentals, though out of 634 letters the supervisor recently received in less than a week, only 184 came from Monterey County.

Proponents rallied at the past two county board of super-

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# Commission OKs seawall at Frank Lloyd Wright house

By MARY SCHLEY

A NEW seawall that will keep the historic Frank Lloyd Wright house on Carmel Point from crumbling into the sea was approved by the Carmel Planning Commission Wednesday afternoon. The 63-foot-long bluff-top retaining wall will run along the northern edge of the property overlooking Carmel Beach, and will be 7 to 8 feet tall, starting roughly 16 feet above the sand. The wall will blend with the natural stone there, which will make it difficult to tell what’s real and what’s not.

Built in 1948 by architect Frank Lloyd Wright, the house is the only one he designed in Carmel and was inspired by his Fallingwater project in Pennsylvania, according to historian Kent Seavey. The home is on the state’s register of historic resources and is in line to become a national historic landmark.

“Erosion on the lower portions of the bluff has resulted in ocean spray focusing on areas supporting the bluff-top driveway,” planner Ashley Hobson told the planning commission at its April 13 meeting. “The purpose of the wall is to prevent further erosion of the bluff caused by ocean spray and rain.”

An archaeological study prepared for the project found that the soil beneath the house contains fragments of red abalone — suggesting it could have been an ancient cultural site. No EIR was prepared, because the new wall won’t have any effects on the environment that cannot be mitigated, according to another study. Haro, Kasunich & Associates of Watsonville designed the wall, which drew letters of support from the California Coastal Conservancy and the Frank Lloyd Wright Building Conservancy in Chicago.

The historic resources board reviewed the plans and recommended the commission OK them, as long as the drainage is kept behind the wall, with no seep holes protruding through it, it looks natural, and the texture and color are approved by the city.

The project’s engineer said his goal is “essentially to have

the wall be invisible.”

“We look forward to the completion of a project that we’re all satisfied with when it’s done,” the engineer said.

Wellington Henderson, whose family had the home built and still owns it, said preserving it is a challenge, with the constant pounding of the sea.

“We look forward to keeping this house in the community for a long time,” he said.

Commission chairman Don Goodhue complimented the family’s efforts. “The city is all the richer because of your stewardship of this house, and there’s no way anyone here wants to diminish it or endanger it,” he said, thanking Henderson for his family’s willingness to open the house to the public several times a year for tours.

The commission unanimously approved the new seawall.



A new seawall will protect the historic Frank Lloyd Wright house from being ravaged by waves, and it’s been designed to blend in with the natural rock face above the beach.

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# Police still investigating sign theft from P.G. Chamber building

By KELLY NIX

THE REWARD for information leading to the arrest of a man caught on video last week stealing a pair of Yes on Measure X signs from the P.G. Chamber of Commerce was increased to \$1,000 Monday, the same day there were new reports of more sign tampering.

Cameras in the chamber office on Central Avenue captured an unidentified man on April 6 stealing two signs that were posted outside. Though the man's face and hair in a bun are clear in the video, he has yet to be publicly identified.

"The matter is still under investigation,"

Pacific Grove Police Cmdr. Rory Lakind told The Pine Cone.

But sign shenanigans continued to play out this week. On Monday about 10:35 a.m., an "extremely aggressive" man told Tourist Information Center employee Renee Crocker that because the tourist office was on public property, he had the right to place a hand-made "No on X" sign on the lot of the Central Avenue property.

Another employee, Heather Hubanks, said that while she told the activist the lot was private and is shared by three businesses, he "became very aggressive in his tone

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# Project Bella study: Luxury hotel will bring millions in new revenue

■ Says room rates will average \$625 per day

By KELLY NIX

THE \$215 million "ultra luxury" hotel proposed for the American Tin Cannery site would bring in millions of dollars in revenue to the City of Pacific Grove with little investment from city hall, according to an independent analysis of Project Bella.

The fiscal analysis found that the hotel, proposed by developer Domaine Hospitality Partners, Inc., would create a net surplus of revenues for Pacific Grove equal to 15 to 20 percent of the city's general fund, and well in excess of its estimated \$1.5 million budget shortfall.

At "full operation," Project Bella would generate \$2.5 million to \$3.6 million in annual transient occupancy taxes for P.G., plus \$443,100 in property taxes, and between \$209,400 and \$294,000 in annual sales tax — depending on how much ancillary shopping the hotel's guests do in Pacific Grove.

"As we thought, [the analysis] compares to our own projections," Project Bella spokesman David Armanasco told The Pine Cone Monday about the study, released April 6.

"The net fiscal effect of the project would be annual surplus general fund revenues of \$3 million to \$4.1 million," the report says. "In comparison, the existing retail use is estimated to produce net revenue of about \$301,100 per year. The proposed project would increase city general fund revenues by at least 16 percent while increasing city costs less than 2 percent."

The 14-page report, commissioned by the City of Pacific Grove for \$17,000, was released ahead of the April 19 ballot measure Measure X which asks P.G. voters to change

the zoning of the ATC site to allow for a hotel.

The upscale hotel, which would include 160 suites divisible to 225 separate rooms, would also employ about 300 workers and have 110,000 square feet of underground parking.

"In addition, the project would include an art museum, a visitor center devoted to marine sciences with activities for youth, restaurants and cafes, an exhibition hall/ballroom/meeting space and a spa/fitness center," the analysis indicates.

The hotel would serve "the upper end of the lodging market on the Monterey Peninsula and would compete with only five or six other hotels of similar stature in the area," the report says. "Based on market data for that group of hotels, the project is anticipated to achieve an average room rate of \$625 (2015 dollars) and a 70 percent occupancy rate."

Comparable properties, the report indicates, are The Lodge at Pebble Beach, The Inn at Spanish Bay, Casa Palmero at Pebble Beach, the InterContinental The Clement Monterey and Ventana in Big Sur.

The average daily room rate for the group of hotels, as of December 2015, was \$582.40 with 75.2 percent occupancy. The average revenue per available room was \$438.18, according to the analysis, citing a hotel data service.

Pacific Grove economic development director Mark Brodeur said the analysis falls a little short of the developer's estimate of transient occupancy tax revenue to the city.

"They were saying upward of \$4 million," Brodeur told The Pine Cone. "This provides a little more of a reality check. They were close."

Still, Brodeur said the revenue from the hotel would allow the city to undertake a

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# As traffic clogs Highway 1 in Big Sur, residents look for relief

By CHRIS COUNTS

IS BIG Sur being loved to death? A growing number of residents believe it is, and at the next Big Sur Multi-Agency meeting — Friday, April 15, at the Big Sur Lodge Conference Center — they want to talk about it. The “overuse of the coast” is on the agenda for the meeting, which will be hosted by Congressman Sam Farr and Supervisor Dave Potter.

To protect Big Sur’s famous scenery, some of the strictest building regulations on earth have been enacted. But those laws do nothing to limit the number of people visiting the awe-inspiring coastline.

With thousands of vehicles pouring down Highway 1 on a busy weekend afternoon, traffic often slows to a crawl and sometimes backs up for miles. Because campgrounds fill up quickly, many simply camp along the highway or in turnouts, increasing the risk of wildfires. Other complaints include increased litter, vandalism and trespassing on private property.

A letter sent out this week by the Coast Property Owners Association — which urged residents to attend Friday’s meeting —

identified some of the impacts of increased tourist traffic down the coast.

“Sykes Camp has become anything but a wilderness experience, and uncontrolled camping is polluting the area and threatens to pollute the Big Sur River,” the letter reads. “Nacimiento Fergusson Road, Willow Creek Road and Plaskett Ridge Road have become de facto campgrounds. These areas as well as most turnouts along the highway suffer from illegal campfires, increasing trash and a disgusting and dangerous amount of human waste.”

The letter calls on the California Coastal Commission to help solve the problem. The state watchdog agency will be represented at Friday’s meeting.

“The California Coastal Commission has a dual mandate to protect and maintain the resources of the coastal zone to preserve them for future generations and to provide public access,” the letter continues. “They have prioritized public access. In the Big Sur area, the time has come to give greater emphasis on the management of that access and the preservation of the resource itself.”

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# Eastwood water hitting the market

By MARY SCHLEY

RESIDENTS AND business owners who live and operate in the Carmel River Watershed — basically, the area where a drop of rain would drain into the Carmel River — as well as in the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea can now purchase water to build on vacant lots or expand their homes and restaurants. Michael Waxer, manager of Malpaso Water Co., explained at a meeting organized by the Carmel Chamber of Commerce Tuesday morning that his employer, Clint Eastwood, is selling 80 acre-feet of water for \$24,000 per tenth of an acre-foot, which will generate \$19.2 million for the former mayor and give relief to the many who have been unable to construct new homes or upgrade their buildings due to an ongoing moratorium on water hookups. (An acre-foot supplies enough water for three or four homes.)

The water comes from the former Odello artichoke fields on Highway 1 south of the Carmel River. In 1997, Eastwood cancelled development permits for 82 home sites on the property and subsequently donated 131

acres to the Big Sur Land Trust.

Eastwood also donated 104 acre-feet of the water that had been historically pumped for ag operations on the property to be put back into the river, while the remaining 80 acre-feet would be sold to residents and commercial property owners in the watershed and the city.

“We’ve been in the community a long time,” Waxer said at the meeting at Vino Napoli. “Mr. Eastwood knows people have been struggling through the moratorium and that people want to get on with their lives. That’s one of the reasons he fought to increase the boundary to include all of the City of Carmel, so your current mayor really went to bat to include all of the city, because technically part of Carmel is outside of the watershed.”

**Deals closed in February**

After a decade of conducting environmental review and receiving the necessary approvals from the State Water Resources Control Board and the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, the new water

company, Malpaso, started selling the water, and Waxer said Tuesday that the first of the deals closed in February. Based on the costs undertaken to make the water available, Eastwood settled on a price of \$2,400 per unit, which is .01 acre-foot.

About three dozen properties had acquired some of the water by the end of March, Waxer said, mostly for residential purposes, including new homes, remodels and additions. A few have bought it for vacant lots, as well as nonresidential and mixed-use projects. A buyer cannot use it to create a new subdivision, though.

At the meeting, while he guessed the water would be available through the end of the year, he couldn’t make any promises. “I can only tell you what I know today, but I get calls and emails every day,” he said. “People have worked very hard to try to find a way for this water to benefit the community, and it’s a unique opportunity.”

Interim planning director Marc Wiener said he’s been working with Waxer and the water management district on the Malpaso water project for about two years, and he also receives questions about it daily. He asks interested parties to fill out a form indicating how they would use the water, so planners can make sure the code would allow it.

Then the water management district would review the plans to see just how much water they would require, “because they really are the experts on that,” Wiener said.

Stephanie Locke, water demand manager for the district, said her agency will issue a water use permit to the property owner after the person has actually purchased the water and gotten the plans approved. “You can’t pull a water use permit until you have approved plans,” she said. “When you get your permit from us, you’ll also be paying a connection fee of \$27,000 per acre-foot.”

The water runs with the land and must be used by 2075. “So it’s a long way out,” Waxer said. “Once you acquire it, you’re not in a rush to use it — it’s not use it or lose it.”

City administrator Chip Rerig said he and

other city officials are looking forward to the water being used to revitalize properties in the city, both residential and commercial, including vacant lots that have long gone unused because they didn’t have water.

“It’s a rare opportunity to have this water available,” he said, adding that the city is grateful to Eastwood, Waxer and others who made the Malpaso Water Co. a reality. In Monterey, where he was the head of development and planning, Rerig said, “people want to add restaurant seats, and there’s no water.”

**Plans for a bistro**

Fred Kern, who manages the event space at Seventh and Dolores and has plans for a bistro/market there, said he has initiated the purchase of .2 acre-feet and has put down a \$5,000 deposit. He hopes to get his plans approved and obtain the water this summer.

“Carmel has created a very good process, in that folks can make their own decisions as to which order to process their plans,” Waxer said. For example, applicants can get their plans conditionally approved and then obtain the water. “In this way, processes can run concurrent, and not end-to-end.”

While it “would be helpful for the county to have a similar process,” Waxer said, he has heard that the county requires proof of water before it will process an application.

Last month, architect Paul Byrne told The Pine Cone that the developer proposing to build a 150-unit affordable housing project just east of the Carmel Rancho Shopping Center — Terex Development of Lafayette — is planning to buy its water from Eastwood. In 2004, another project proposed for the same site never got off the ground because it didn’t have enough water.

Byrne praised Eastwood for making the water transfer possible. “He’s doing something positive for the community by selling us this water, which is right, because we need affordable housing,” the architect said.

Waxer said those interested in purchasing Malpaso Water should email him at malpasowater@gmail.com.

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# Police called to quell Trump bashers at Good Old Days

By KELLY NIX

RESPECT AND scorn were the flavors on hand at the Donald Trump for President booth at the Good Old Days event in Pacific Grove last weekend, but mostly respect, according to a volunteer who helped man the tent.

Amid the carnival rides, live music and aromas of festival grub on Lighthouse Avenue was the Trump tent, which supporters set up at the April 9-10 event to answer questions about the controversial Republican candidate and to get people to register with the GOP so they could vote for him in the June 7 primary election.

"It was really incredible, there were so many Democrats, liberals, and even a Libertarian, who came over and switched parties to the Republican Party so they could support Trump," Nikki Schoessow, a Trump supporter who manned the tent, told The Pine Cone.

The Monterey resident said dozens of people registered at the tent, including members of the military and young voters.

Getting feedback from fans of Trump, she said, was "energizing."

"It just really warms the heart," Schoessow said. "For the first time ever, a politician is saying 'I'm [running this campaign] with my own money and I want to work for you, the people.'"

She added, "We had a Trump fest."

There were also a number of Trump critics who harassed the volunteers or yelled as they walked by, including a man with a child on his shoulders who repeatedly screamed "awful things" Schoessow said.

"I felt so sorry for the little girl," she said. "What a thing to do to your child. It's hateful."

A group of about eight high-school kids and younger, she said, also heckled the Trump volunteers, prompting Pacific Grove Police officers to lecture the youngsters.

"The police came to us after someone complained about them harassing us," Schoessow said. "The police came in their full flak jackets and said 'are you having any problems?' I told [the kids] to go home to mommy and daddy."

The rain on April 10 didn't stop supporters of presidential candidate Donald Trump from encouraging attendees at Good Old Days in P.G. to vote for the billionaire.

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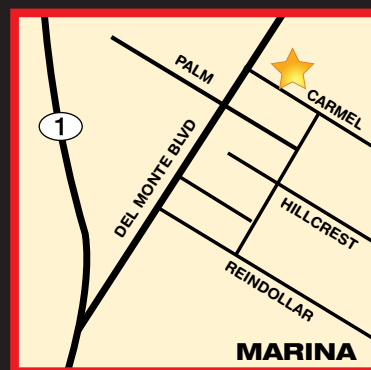


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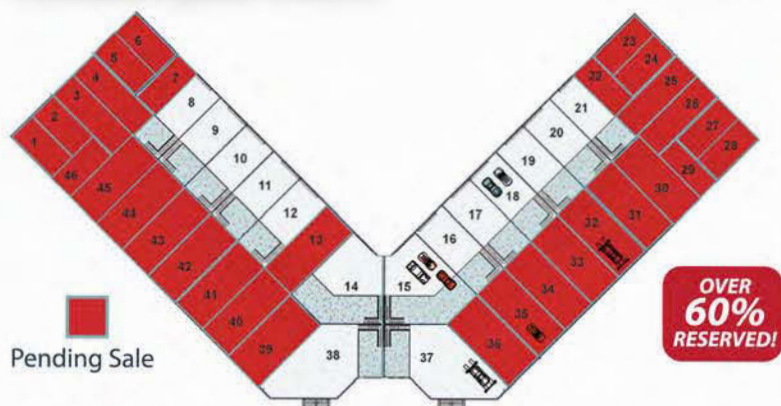
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## Kerry Woodson: 65 days in baseball heaven

By DENNIS TAYLOR

THE BASEBALL career of Carmel High product Kerry Woodson began on the tail of a comet, made a 65-day stopover in heaven, and ended on rickety buses rolling through the boondocks in the middle of the night.

He had a big-league right arm, a weapon that dazzled scouts and befuddled opposing hitters. The tendons in that arm ... unfortunately, they were strictly bush league.

"My body just didn't like to pitch," he laments today.

It was a dysfunctional relationship that lasted 11 professional seasons — the last few riddled with injuries — and ended with the kind of heartbreak that invariably follows when a dream-come-true merges with real life.

The painful part is that Woodson had the goods: He spent 65 days with the 1992 Seattle Mariners, pitched 13.2 innings in eight games, and compiled a stellar 3.29 Earned Run Average.

Then he got hurt, finished his rookie season on the disabled list, had elbow surgery — and never pitched another big-league game.

"It was depressing," Woodson says of the end of his playing days, which came eight years later. "It's hard to understand. You've played the game since you were little, and now you've got to stop playing? There's a void there. You're not really sure what you're supposed to do with the rest of your life."

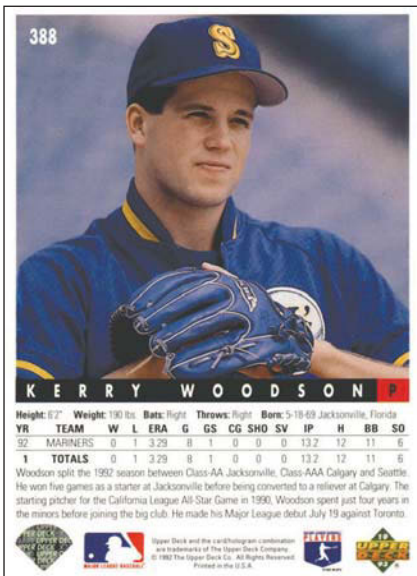
The story has a happy ending. Woodson and his wife, Brandy, live well nowadays in Naples, Fla., where he operates a small company that recycles vegetable oil into diesel

fuel, coaches his two young sons, and plays shortstop on a team for players 18 and older. (Last year, he led the league in hitting.)

"I started playing again so my kids would have an opportunity to see me play and know that I was a good player, not just some picture they see from when I was 22 years old," he says.

## Mentors


Woodson fell in love with baseball at a young age with the help of two local coaches, Guy Dubets and John Lucido, both Carmel High products who had played minor league ball. Dubets had achieved All-America status at Monterey



(Right) Carmel High alum and former big-league pitcher Kerry Woodson, of Naples, Fla., enjoys a Miami Marlins game with his sons, 6-year-old Presley and 8-year-old Ryder. At right: the reverse side of his 1993 baseball card, when he was with the Seattle Mariners.



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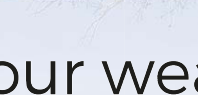
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# SPCA announces new executive director to succeed Tiscornia

By KELLY NIX

A LONGTIME employee of an animal welfare organization in Burlingame has been identified as the man who will take over the SPCA for Monterey County after its executive director announced in March he was retiring after 16 years leading the nonprofit.

Scott Delucchi, senior vice president of Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA, will start the job on July 1 after Gary Tiscornia leaves his post. “Delucchi also brings a wealth of board/volunteer experience,” according to a press release from the SPCA for Monterey County.

An employee with the Burlingame SPCA since 1998, Delucchi, 49, has a bachelor’s degree in communication from Stanford University, has worked as director of alumni and public relations for Sacred Heart Schools in Atherton, and

had several roles at Junipero Serra High School in San Mateo, including public relations director and teacher.

“As a senior manager with Peninsula Humane Society, he possesses excellent communication skills, program development, media relations, community outreach, nonprofit administration and animal shelter operations,” said Sherrie McCullough, president of the SPCA for Monterey County board of directors in a statement.

He is the board chair for Wildlife Center of Silicon Valley, and has served on the boards of Jasper Ridge Farm, a nonprofit that provides animal visits and



Scott Delucchi

horse rides for veterans and children with major illnesses, and Lanai Cat Sanctuary in Lanai City, Hawaii.

On March 24, McCullough credited Tiscornia for reversing the dire financial outlook of the SPCA when he took over and for bringing local animal agencies together.

“Tiscornia will be missed in so many ways and it has been a privilege and wonderful experience working with him,” she told The Pine Cone. “A man with great integrity and leadership leaving a major footprint with us.”

The SPCA would not disclose Delucchi’s salary, however, Tiscornia earned \$237,784 plus \$26,422 in other compensation, according to 2014 tax forms.

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# Condos come to the rescue of people suffering from ‘too many cars’ syndrome

By ELAINE HESSER

YOU’VE HEARD of the man cave, right? Well, now imagine sharing the man cave (or very cool woman cave) with your Lamborghini, boat or RV. Well, Garage Unlimited of Monterey has just the thing: car condos.

Developers for the project, including Ralph Borelli, chairman of Borelli Investment Company and Borelli Motor Sports; Dennis Chambers of Cushman and Wakefield Real Estate; and Case Swenson, president of Barry Swenson Builder, broke ground for the project in Ryan Ranch April 14. They noted that the need for the facility was so great that two-thirds of the 46 units in the planned 65,000-square-foot building were sold before “even a shovel of earth [had] been turned.”

The developers pointed to the lack of garage and storage space for vehicles in the area, saying that “many residences

are limited to two-car garages and quaint, older cottages may not even have one.”

The units range in size from 746 to 2,700 square feet and, have doors 14 feet tall and interiors with ceilings as high as 25 feet. The largest can accommodate fleets of up to 10 vehicles. Every condo has a mezzanine and some owners reportedly plan to install big-screen televisions, mini-bars and other creature comforts to enjoy while visiting — or fiddling with — their cars.

Barry Swenson, chairman of Swenson Builder, envisions the condos as more than storage units. “Just like good friends used to congregate in a neighbor’s garage and spend a Saturday tinkering with a car and catching up on what’s going on in everyone’s lives, the Garage Unlimited of Monterey community offers the potential for that kind of camaraderie,” he said.

Owners will be allowed to work on their cars within lim-

its, and air, water and RV dump stations will be available on site. Ernie Lostrom, exclusive broker for the facility, said that no painting will be allowed, nor will anyone be allowed to run a business in the building, but “you can do the same things you could do at your garage at home,” in terms of working on your car.

Although the facility is primarily meant to house vehicles, the units may also be used for traditional storage of furniture, holiday decorations — for example, a 25-foot artificial tree and Santa’s sleigh — and other excess stuff. Prices start at \$265,000 and the condos are selling fast.



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# CRASH

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Tomasi described the accident, saying Elliott’s “left shoe fell off and interfered with the vehicle’s brake and gas pedals,” causing him to lose control of the car as it accelerated toward the intersection of San Carlos and First.

“The driver was able to dislodge his shoe and regain control of his vehicle just as he approached the driveway to his residence,” he said, but as Elliott turned left into his driveway, “his left shoe again interfered with the vehicle’s pedals, causing the driver to again lose control of the Jaguar, which collided head-on into the closed garage door of his residence.” Panicking, Elliott put the car in reverse, which caused it to back out of the garage and northbound onto First Avenue.

“The driver tried to regain control of the Jaguar as it made an uncontrolled circular path of travel eastbound in the west-bound lane of First Avenue, then southbound across the roadway, where it collided with the center island and struck a pedestrian and then left the roadway, where it struck the fence in front of the driver’s house and turned westbound through the front yard, where it finally came to rest, striking the gas meter to his residence,” Tomasi said.

Carmel Police Chief Mike Calhoun said police are still “investigating the causative factors to make a final determination and recommendations, which may include the issuance of a citation.”

McDaniel said Elliott told her he’s diabetic and has to wear a boot on his left foot. She also said he has already replaced the Jaguar with a new vehicle, though she wondered whether he should be allowed to drive at all.

“This man is a danger to everyone,” she said.

Elliott did not respond to inquiries made through police offering to tell his version of events.

### ‘A fighter’

Meanwhile, McDaniel said Mannan is doing the best she can, under the circumstances. She also speculated a woman with less gumption would be dead by now.

“She’ll be 75 in August, and she’s a Leo. Thank God, because I think between that and her Germanic background, she’s a fighter,” McDaniel said. “She’s been through a lot: buried two husbands, had back surgery, and just got over pneumonia.”

Mannan has also been heavily involved in The Carmel Foundation, where CEO Jill Sheffield said members have been sending her cards and good wishes.

“We are not doing anything in a fundraising sort of way, but members have been to visit, we have done cards, flowers, etc., and will help her in any way we can when she gets home,” she said, adding that it’s “a terrible accident, just awful.”

Mannan has no children, according to McDaniel, but her brother lives in Ben Lomond and has also been involved in her recovery. Other friends rallying to support her include cultural commissioner Judy Refuerzo and artist Emy Ledbetter.

“She’s fiercely strong and brave and deserves the support of our entire community,” McDaniel said.

# DATA

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Though Panetta said the nation doesn’t have to choose between protecting freedoms over national security, he said he would hold off judging the bill.

“It is important for the legislation to be finalized before taking a position on the draft that is being proposed by Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Chairman Richard Burr and Vice Chairman Dianne Feinstein,” Panetta told The Pine Cone.

However, Panetta, who served as an intelligence officer

with the U.S. Navy Reserve, said that it’s his belief that the “we are all on the same team in this country, and that our first responsibility is to protect the nation.”

“For that reason,” Panetta, a Democrat, continued, “I think that the better approach would be for the private sector and the government to sit down and develop a plan that both protects the privacy of consumers but also provides information where there is a potential to prevent another terrorist attack.”

The legislation was proposed after a legal row between Apple and the FBI over an iPhone belonging to one of the terrorists who massacred 14 people in San Bernardino in Dec 2, 2015. While Apple had refused to help the FBI crack into the phone, the tussle ended when the agency hired professional hackers to do it instead.



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# Now cancer-free, Esalen’s ‘new’ CEO to run two marathons in six days

By CHRIS COUNTS

AFTER LEADING Esalen Institute into the 21st century, establishing himself as a respected voice in the field of Gestalt psychology and surviving a harrowing battle with cancer, Gordon Wheeler could be excused for wanting to spend the rest of his days soaking in one of the Big Sur workshop center’s famous sulphur baths.

But the 72-year-old is having none of that. Not only is he about to become Esalen’s latest CEO — a job he “retired” from six years ago — but over the next two weeks, he’s planning to run marathons in Boston and Big Sur.

Wheeler told The Pine Cone he is one of about 400 “B 2 B” runners who will try to complete the Boston Marathon April 18 and the Big Sur International Marathon six days later on April 24. “The normal recovery from a race takes about six weeks, not six days,” Wheeler observed.

While Wheeler has long enjoyed running, he didn’t take it seriously until after he began treatment for cancer in 2006.



Gordon Wheeler

After six months of chemotherapy, he was in bad shape.

“I was a 120-pound skeleton,” he recalled. “I couldn’t walk from my living room to my bedroom without resting.”

Taking a year off from work, Wheeler focused on his recovery. To build up his strength and stamina, he began walking. Picking up the pace as his health improved, he started to run. He also added meditation to the practice.

Ten years after being diagnosed with cancer, Wheeler has a clean bill health.

“I feel great,” he said. “I get a complete battery of tests twice a year.”

As Wheeler continued to pursue his passion for running, he began to wonder what it would be like to run a marathon. “I had thought about it for years,” he said.

Five years ago, Wheeler’s friend and co-worker at Esalen, Joseph London, urged him to run in the Big Sur marathon. London, who was 62 at the time, was running his 25th — and

last — marathon. So Wheeler, who was 67, decided it was the right time to join him.

While the goal of most runners is to complete the grueling 26-mile race, Wheeler takes a different perspective.

“The biggest thrill for me is to cross the starting line,” he explained. “Crossing the finish line is very satisfying, but what’s really important is just being out there. You’re still in the game.”

And even if running a marathon proves too daunting, Wheeler said running can still offer a wealth of benefits and rewards.

“I would say this to anybody who thinks they are too old to run: If you can’t run a marathon, run a 10k,” he said. “If can’t run a 10k, get out there and walk. You might surprise yourself.”

While running can be hard work, its benefits can far outweigh the effort exerted, Wheeler said.

“I just had a birthday,” he added. “I got into a game of chase with my grandkids. I thought I wouldn’t be able to do this anymore. The payoff from running is the vitality you get. There is nothing I would rather do than run around with those three little guys.”

## HELEN H. ORDWAY

December 30, 1918 – March 27, 2016  
Carmel, California

Helen H. Ordway died early Easter morning. She had lived independently at Hacienda Carmel until the final weeks of her 97 years of life.

Helen was born in Chelmsford, Massachusetts to Lura and John Hardy. She recalled that her best years in school were in a single room schoolhouse in Eliot, Maine shared by 30 children grades 1-8. In her teen years she developed her singing voice and often was the soloist at the local Congregational Church. Helen was valedictorian of her high school class in Eliot, Maine, but due to the impact of The Great Depression on her family, college was out of the question.



Newell C. Ordway first attracted Helen’s attention by throwing ping-pong balls at her during a church social. Together they went on to cut a terrific figure on the dance floor and the ski slopes. On New Year’s Day in 1937, they were married.

Helen and Newell were part of the early days of New England skiing – they raced on weekends, and in 1957 were the founders of a ski school at Pleasant Mountain in Bridgton, Maine. They raised their son, Alan, and daughter, Ann, through participation in scouting, school activities, and athletics, particularly skiing. Education was to become the driving focus of Helen’s parenting years: she was determined that her children have a better education than she had received. She moved her family to another town for a better school; she worked multiple jobs to help pay for boarding school when the local schools didn’t pass her scrutiny; and she drove them to visit colleges all over New England. Yes, they graduated from college – Alan from Yale and Ann from Wellesley.

The consummate “mother of all inventions”, whether it was to design and sew a costume for a dance recital for her daughter or make a set of matching ski parkas for the family, Helen was up to the task. If the septic tank froze when her husband was away, she built a bonfire atop it so it would thaw. Christmas packages were often adorned with a hand-painted card, with punning limericks she had written attached to the ribbon.

Art and design were at the forefront of Helen’s interests, and when she and Newell moved to California in 1979, she was finally able to focus on painting as an avocation. For nearly two decades Helen would create the watercolors; Newell would frame them; and together they would set up displays at local craft fairs, where her works were bestsellers.

After Newell’s death in 1994, Helen moved to Hacienda Carmel where until recent years she was a very active member of that community, singing with the chorus, playing bridge and painting with the art group.

Helen was also predeceased by her son, Alan (1940-2013), and her brothers William Hardy and John Hardy, Jr.

She is survived by her daughter, Ann Peterson Mahoney (John) of Carmel; daughter-in-law Michelle Ordway; four grandchildren: Spencer Ordway (Jennifer Landry) of Gorham, Maine; Laura Ordway (Stefan Jackson) of Bridgton, Maine; Mark Peterson (Mia) of Carmel Valley, California; and Sarah Peterson (Girling Jones Jr.) of Altadena, California; and eight great-grandchildren: Alexis, Julia and Corliss Ordway; Stefanie and Jacqueline Ordway; Isabel and Jake Peterson; and Marlo Mae Jones.

The family extends its deep appreciation to Teri Porteous of Peggy’s HomeCare who was a helper, caregiver and friend to Helen for five years; and to Miriam & Herman Fickewirth of Agape House of Carmel and staff for their excellent care of Helen in her last month of life; and to her very special cat, Donna.

A private service will be held at El Carmelo Cemetery in Pacific Grove where her remains will be placed with that of her husband, Newell.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Women’s Forum for Health, Montage Health (CHOMP), P.O. Box HH, Monterey, CA 93942.

## KIMBERLY ELIZABETH KIRK

December 13, 1968 ~ April 5, 2016

Angels carried our beautiful Kimberly Elizabeth home to the Lord, April 5th 2016, surrounded by her loving family. She was a devoted mother to her boys, MacKenzie and Morgan, who were the light of her life. The precious daughter of James and Rebecca Kirk and beloved sister of Nicole and Taira, her infectious smile could light up the world and will forever be remembered.



Kimberly was born December 13th, 1968 in Toledo, Ohio and raised in Findlay, Ohio. She grew up surrounded by many aunts, uncles and cousins from both sides of her family. As the oldest grandchild to Robert and Theresa Kirk, she was honored to be their God Daughter. Growing up she had countless adventures. She spent much time in the Florida Keys with her Pappy and Grandma Tredway and family. Her many traveling experiences took her around the world. When she was home, she found much enjoyment in reading. You will always remember Kimberly with her nose in a book.

Kimberly’s true life began on June 4th, 1995, when she became mother to MacKenzie James. He was her little “Mac-man”. On June 29th, 1999, her life was enhanced with the arrival of Morgan Alexander. Morgy, as she called him became the final piece to their family. She and the boys had a bond like no other; no one could come between them. They traveled together, laughed together and spent many nights watching movies. It was their special time. Kimberly shared with her boys her love of history. Books were a guarantee for Christmas and Birthdays. May they forever realize the gifts she has bestowed on them. Kimberly was fondly known as Aunt Kikums to her niece and nephews who spent many days living close to her on the ranch enjoying her playful spirit.

Kimberly graduated high school at Kent School in Kent, Connecticut. She received her undergrad from Merrimack College in North Andover, Massachusetts and finished her JD at Toledo Law in Toledo, OH. After graduating from Law school Kimberly moved with her family to Ft. Lauderdale, FL and spent the next few years working and starting her law career. In 2002 she relocated to Carmel Valley, CA and lived on her family’s ranch so the boys could grow up with their grandmom and granddad, cousins, aunts and uncle. For the past 8 years she practiced Family and Criminal Law in Salinas, CA.

Kimberly is survived by her children, MacKenzie and Morgan Kirk, her parents, James and Rebecca Kirk; sisters, Nicole (Eric) Saulnier and Taira; her grandmothers, Liz Tredway and Theresa Kirk; her nephews and niece, Jackson, Samuel, William and Cecilia Saulnier along with along with many aunts, uncles and cousins and second cousins from both sides of her family. She was preceded in death by her grandfathers, Arthur Tredway, and Robert Kirk; her uncle, William Kirk and her cousin, Billy DeBusman.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Friday, April 8th at Our Lady of Mt Carmel, 9 El Caminito Rd, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.

***Kimberly’s family wishes to thank all those who tenderly cared for Kim during her illness. In lieu of flowers please send donations to: Gathering for Women, PO Box 601, Monterey, CA 93942, Gatheringforwomen.org, 831-241-6154 or the Northwest Ohio Diabetic Children’s Trust, c/o Old Fort Bank, 8034 Main St., Old Fort, OH 44861-0088.***

# SUPES

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visors meetings, where besides asking for a moratorium on enforcement, they complained the process to develop an ordinance — which began three years ago — is taking too long.

At the March 30 supervisors meeting, county planning official Melanie Beretti said the process to create the ordinance will probably take another year, but at this week’s meeting, Potter asked the county’s planning staff to make the completion of the ordinance a priority. He asked that a final meeting of a short term rental working group be scheduled in the next 30 days, and a final draft of the ordinance be brought before the

planning commission “in the near future.”

The county is working on separate ordinances that would regulate short term rentals in the coastal and inland areas of the county. It’s unclear how the county will address the issue in Big Sur, which is has its own land use plan — and where opposition to the practice is strongest.

Proponents argue that short term rentals fill a void in the marketplace, providing a wide range of lodging possibilities for a growing number of people who want to visit the county. They also say they create jobs and raise tax revenue.

Opponents insist the practice makes it harder for long-term residents to find housing, violates zoning codes, creates more noise and less privacy in neighborhoods, and diminishes “a sense of community.”

## GIUSEPPE MANUGUERRA, JR.

January 20, 1939 ~ April 1, 2016  
Monterey & Carmel Valley

Giuseppe Manuguerra, Jr., a native of Marettimo, Sicily, Italy passed away April 1st. He immigrated to the United States in 1956 and has lived locally ever since.

As a young man, Giuseppe worked as a commercial fisherman in Monterey Bay and Alaska. He was proud to be an American citizen, and helped other Italian immigrants gain U.S. citizenship in his capacity as a notary and travel agent for nearly thirty years. He was a contributing writer for several Italian-American newspapers writing about Italian American events. He loved learning. At a young age he attained a Maritime license in Italy. He enjoyed reading the paper, keeping up on current events and discussions with his friends.



In 1965, Giuseppe met and married his wife of fifty years, Elisabetta, in Monterey. Together they created their own real estate investment business - their American dream. Giuseppe found serenity in his Carmel Valley garden. He was passionate about filling his garden with every variety of rose and fruit tree. At harvest time, he enjoyed driving around town to personally gift his Italian zucchinis, roses, and eggs to all he knew.

Giuseppe was a loving Husband, Father and Nonno who will be missed by his wife, Elisabetta Flores Manuguerra; his children, Cristina (Bryan) Gage, Annamaria Manuguerra and Elisa (Turie) Cavaliere, Giuseppe (Nicole) Manuguerra III; his siblings, Ventura (Mary) Manuguerra and Anna (Giuseppe) Catalano and his grandchildren, Elisabeth, Cristofer, Giuliana, Florence, Ventura, Giuseppe and Caterina. He was predeceased by his parents, Giuseppe and Cristina Manuguerra.

Visitation will take place at The Paul Mortuary this Friday, April 15 from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. with recitation of the rosary at 6:00 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Carmel Valley Village on Saturday, April 16 at 10:00 a.m.

## Zvonimir "Bill" Soscic

1928-2016



Zvonimir "Bill" Soscic was born June 14, 1928 in Pirot Yugoslavia to Dr. Victor and Mrs. Vera Soscic. In 1950 the family escaped from Yugoslavia to Italy and from there to Providence, Rhode Island where he was immediately drafted into the US army as the Korean War was underway. In 1953, he was released from the service and then he and the entire family relocated to Carmel, CA. Bill’s primary and high school education was completed in Yugoslavia and Italy. He was soon employed by Bank of America and he enrolled in a two year financial study program that Bank of America offered. Later he enrolled at the Institute of International Studies in Monterey where he graduated with a MA in Political Science. He advanced in his banking career to managerial positions and ultimately he retired as an assistant vice president.

Bill was a longtime volunteer at Carmel Mission Basilica and his great joy was assisting at Saturday evening Mass as an acolyte and later as a sacristan. He also worked tirelessly as a Eucharistic minister and visitor of the sick at Community Hospital of Monterey and various nursing homes. Bill was also an active grandparent at his grandchildren’s school Junipero Serra in Carmel. He was loved by the students, parents and teachers alike.

Bill is survived by his beloved wife of 51 years Elizabeth, son Brian Victor, daughter-in-law Bobbi Ann, grandchildren Isabella, Andrew, John-Paul and Matthew as well as his sisters Emilia and Nancy. There will be a rosary on Tuesday, April 12 at 7:00 PM in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel of the Carmel Mission Basilica and a Funeral Mass on Wednesday, April 13 at 11:00 AM at the Carmel Mission Basilica. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be sent to Junipero Serra School at 3090 Rio Rd, Carmel CA 93923 (<http://www.juniperoserra.org/>) or Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Monterey, Attn: Development, 922 Hilby Ave., Ste. C, Seaside, CA 93955 (<https://www.catholiccharitiescentralcoast.org/>). To offer online condolences visit - [www.missionmortuary.com](http://www.missionmortuary.com)

# Behind-the-scenes star of the local theater scene, Stock dies at 71

ONCE A familiar face around town and a valued volunteer for two theater groups, Holly Stock died last month in New Jersey after a brief illness. She was 71.

Between 2000 and 2008, Stock worked for the Forest Theater Guild, where she served as managing director, and for Pacific Repertory Theatre, where she assisted founder Stephen Moorer.

While Stock moved back east in 2008 to be closer to family, her daughter, Sabrina Nordquist, said Carmel “was dear to her heart.”

“Holly’s friendly charm and generous spirit were immediately appreciated by all who she encountered,” Nordquist wrote about her mother.

“Her humor and laughter brought joy to

her many friends and family,” he added.

Former Mayor Sue McCloud told The Pine Cone Stock made a big contribution to the local arts scene. “She had a bubbling sense of humor,” McCloud recalled. “She was delightful.”

Moorer said Stock played a key “behind-the-scenes” role with PacRep Theatre in marketing and development.

“Holly had a tremendous heart,” Moorer said. “She gave her time, her energy, her wealth — everything — to nonprofit groups. She was a great people person and problem solver. She was well loved by the community, and she will be missed.”

Besides Nordquist, Stock leaves behind another daughter, Lia, six grandchildren and a dog, Angus.

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## Justin Joseph McCarthy, Jr.

November 28, 1945 - March 17, 2016



Justin Joseph McCarthy, Jr. (Rusty) died on March 17, 2016 after a brief illness.

Justin was born in Jamaica Plain, MA on November 28, 1945 to the late Margaret Adrienne (White) and Justin Joseph McCarthy, Sr.. He moved to White Plains, NY in 1950 where he attended St. Bernard’s elementary school, Archbishop Stepinac High School and White Plains High School. He moved to Carmel, California in 1961 to live with his aunt, Julia Chalmers, who guided his formative years. He attended Carmel High School and Monterey Peninsula College before graduating from Long Beach State with a degree in Economics. He also studied at Thunderbird Graduate School in Phoenix, Arizona.

His military career, which started at Fort Lewis, Washington, spanned four decades beginning in the 1960's and took him across the globe. He served as a member of the U.S. Army's Special Forces Unit, the Green Berets, in South Korea, Vietnam, and elsewhere in the Far East. He was an expert at underwater demolitions and excelled at tracking, marksmanship, and parachuting.

Later in his career, which included time spent in Okinawa, Germany and several undisclosed locations, he served with the U.S. elite anti-terrorist unit, Delta Force. On separate occasions he completed advanced training courses at the Defense Language Institute in Monterey, California where he became fluent in several languages. At the end of his career he helped to teach the premier Polish counterterrorism unit, the GROM. After his service, Rusty returned to Carmel and retired.

Rusty is survived by his siblings: Susan McCarthy, RDC, Adrienne Laravuso, Alice McCarthy, Peter (Lorraine Raguseo) McCarthy, Patricia McCarthy (Bill) Smith, Paul (Donna Kearney) McCarthy, and Timothy McCarthy. One brother, Gerard, predeceased him.

His extended family includes Julia Chalmers’ son, LTC Paul Chalmers, (Ret.), her son-in-law Jan Valtr and his children Jan Jr. and Julianna. Rusty’s siblings are especially grateful to Julianna and her husband Ric Cespedes for their loving, compassionate care of him during his final days. Rusty was a loving, generous man. He was a great story teller and loved to regale people with his exploits. He spoke often of his gratitude to his parents, aunts, uncles, siblings and cousins for their contributions to his life. He was a gift to us all.

Funeral services will take place at St. Angela Merici Church in Pacific Grove on Saturday, April 30 at 11:00 AM.

# BIG SUR FIRST GALLERY SELLS FOR \$1.5 MILLION

By CHRIS COUNTS

ON THE market for many years, Big Sur’s Coast Gallery was recently sold for \$1.5 million.

Gary Koepfel, who had owned the art gallery with his wife, Emma, since 1971, told The Pine Cone the buyer is Peter Mullin, who lives in Los Angeles, owns a house in Big Sur and is the driving force behind the Petersen Automotive Museum. Mullin is also the founding chairman of a consulting firm, Mullin Barends Sanford Financial.

Located about two miles south of landmark Nepenthe restaurant along Highway 1, the business was founded in

1958 by LaVerne Allen as Big Sur’s first art gallery.

In its early days, the gallery was called “The Bank” by locals because it was “a place where they could deposit their artworks and withdraw their money from the sale.”

A year after Koepfel bought the gallery, it was badly damaged when a culvert that passes beneath Highway 1 became clogged during El Niño storms, causing flooding on the site. A 600-foot section of pavement was also lost, and the highway was closed for 18 months for repairs.

Seeking a way to rebuild his gallery “on a shoestring bud-

See GALLERY page 20A

# Barnyard recalls ’67 music festival, C.V. makes art awards

BEST KNOWN for its role as a land-use watchdog group, the Carmel Valley Association is teaming up with the Carmel Valley Art Association to honor local creative talent.

Representatives from the former will be on hand at the art association gallery Sunday, April 17, to help present awards to the winners of the inaugural Community Art Contest.

“Part of our mission is to do things to that foster the arts in Carmel Valley,” gallery owner **Shelley Allioti** told The Pine Cone. “This is an event to help do that.”

Besides competing for first, second and third place participants will contend for the Presidents Award, which will be given by CVA President **Priscilla Walton** to the artist whose work best exemplifies the theme of the event, “What does rural mean to you when it comes to Carmel Valley?” In addition to the awards ceremony, artist **Will Bullas** will present a talk, “The Fine Art of Fun.”

## Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

The gallery, which will host a reception from 2 to 5 p.m., is located at 2 Chambers Lane in Carmel Valley Village. Call (831) 659-2441.

## Monterey Pop remembered

Two photographers who captured the action at the 1967 Monterey Pop Festival will talk about their experiences Saturday, April 16, from 6 to 8 p.m., at Billy Quon’s Sur restaurant in the Barnyard shopping center.

Besides recalling that memorable weekend nearly 50 years ago when Jimi Hendrix, the Who and many others played at the Monterey Fairgrounds — and kicked off the much-celebrated Summer of Love — photographers **Tom O’Neal** and **Fred Arellano** will share images taken during the event, as well as photos from other memorable concerts.

The event coincides with an exhibit of photographs by O’Neal and Arellano on display in a pop-up gallery next to Hedi’s Shoes. The gallery will be open Thursday through Sunday from noon to 6 p.m., and the show continues through the end of May. You can also call and make an appointment to see it — call (831) 277-5970 for details.

## Less is more

Exploring “minimalism, spatial relations and the creative possibilities of form,” an exhibit, “Form and Space,” opens Friday, April 15, at the Cherry Center for the Arts, showcasing the work of sculptor **Stefani Esta**, mixed media artist **Rick Soto**, sculptor and jeweler **Valerie Ostenak** and painter **Josh Mitchell**. The Cherry Center, which hosts a reception from 5 to 7 p.m., is located at Fourth and Guadalupe. The exhibit continues through May 12. Call (831) 624-7491.

## Illuminating figure painting

**Christine Crozier** and **Daria Shachmut** will offer figure painting demonstrations and talk about their work Sunday, April 17, from 1 to 3 p.m., at the Carmel Art Association. A two-woman show, “Figures in Living Color,” is on display through May 3. The reception is the latest in the nonprofit gallery’s “Meet the Artist” series.

The CAA is located on Dolores between Fourth and Fifth. Call (831) 624-6176.

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**April 15 – In celebration of Carmel's Centennial, Church of the Wayfarer presents an Arts & Crafts show** on Friday, April 15 from 4 to 7 p.m. Come for hors d'oeuvres and view the creative works of fellow Carmelites and friends. A tour of the sanctuary and stained glass windows will be presented every half hour during the event. Come and celebrate the spirit of creativity in our beautiful village! Church of the Wayfarer - Lincoln Street & Seventh Avenue.

**April 15 - The 55th Annual Wildflower Show** returns to the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History on Friday, April 15, and ends Sunday, April 17. Featuring lectures, workshops and a members-only reception, this year's show will host more than 600 varieties and species of wildflowers. For admission and details, go to [www.pgmuseum.org/wildflowershow/](http://www.pgmuseum.org/wildflowershow/).

**April 16 - Cal State Monterey Bay World Theater presents Lula Washington Dance Theatre**, April 16, 8 p.m. performance. For more information call the Box Office at (831) 582-4580 or visit [csumb.edu/worldtheater](http://csumb.edu/worldtheater).

**April 16 & 17 – Author Kathryn Gualtieri will sign copies of her 5th Carmel mystery, A Brush with Death**, on Saturday, April 16 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Pilgrim's Way on Dolores between 5th and 6th in Carmel. (624-4955). On Sunday, April 17 from 1 to 3 p.m. she will also sign copies at River House Books in the Carmel Crossroads. (626-2665).

**April 18 - Carmel Woman's Club presents Ms Ami Davis**, Director of Education and Community Partnerships., Monday, April 18, at 2 p.m. "Masterpieces of the Monterey Peninsula." The legacy of art on the Monterey Peninsula and how early California art inspired regional artists. San Carlos & 9th St. Refreshments, Guests \$10, Everyone welcome. Memberships available. Contact: Donna Jett (831) 594-6200, [Jettcarmel@gmail.com](mailto:Jettcarmel@gmail.com).

**April 19 - Monterey Public Library Friends present a lecture**, Museum Studies and Creating an Exhibition: Teaching Museum Curatorial Practices & Looking Back at the Sacred Expedition - The Legacy of Fr. Junipero Serra by Deborah Silguero-Stahl, CSUMB VPA Museum Studies Adjunct Faculty, and Jewel Gentry, Carmel Mission Museum Manager, Tuesday, April 19, 4 to 9 p.m. at Rancho Canada Golf Club, Merienda Room. Hors d'oeuvres served. \$25 pp. Tickets can be purchased at [www.mplfriends.com](http://www.mplfriends.com), in person at the Monterey Public Library, or by phone at (831) 646-5632. RSVP April 15.


**April 19 - Mystery writer Sandra Balzo speaks on Writing the Killer Series and how to create a case of characters you can live with for years.** Tues., April 19, 6:30 p.m. Free! Point Pinos Grill, 79 Asilomar Blvd., PG. Purchase optional dinner 5:30 p.m. [www.central-coastwriters.org](http://www.central-coastwriters.org).

**April 21 - The 13th "A Table Affair"** cosponsored by Pebble Beach Company and Bank of America takes place Thursday, April 21 at the Conference Center, The Lodge, Pebble Beach from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. No admission charge, no reservation required. Donations respectfully requested for AIM for Mental Health. Come, enjoy 38 imaginatively created table arrangements and support a worthy cause. For further information call Averil Nero at (831) 644-0833.

**May 5 - Reserve your seat for the Community Foundation's 11th Annual Women's Fund Luncheon**, Thursday, May 5 at the Hyatt Regency Monterey. Keynote speaker Surina Khan is CEO of the The Women's Foundation of California. Help change lives of women and girls in Monterey County! (831) 375-9712 [www.womensfund2016.eventbrite.com](http://www.womensfund2016.eventbrite.com)

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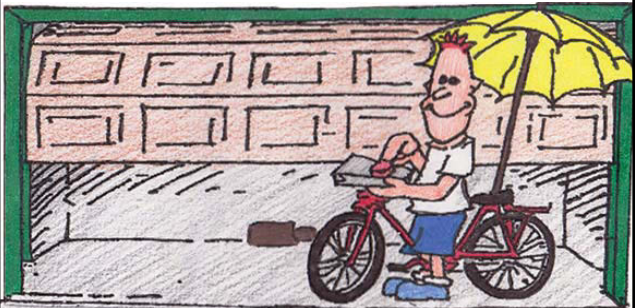
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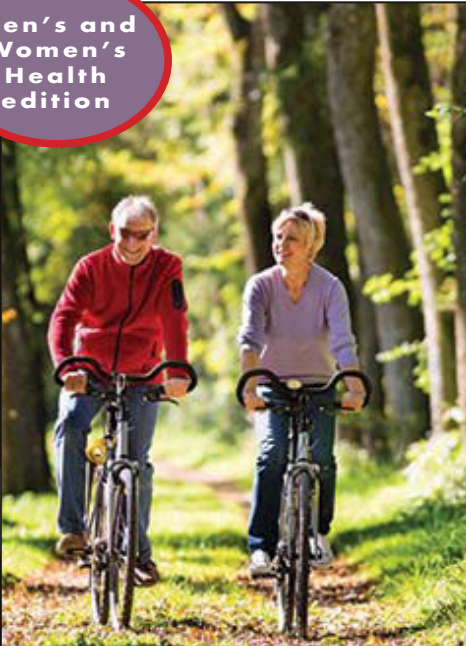
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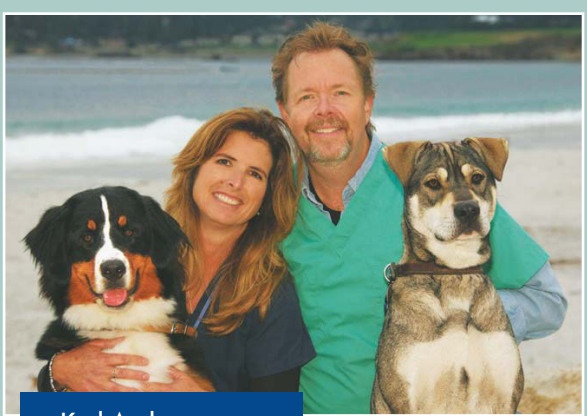
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## Sunset hosts chamber music season finale, country star visits Monterey

BRINGING TOGETHER five world class wind players from Holland — and breathing new life into chamber music — **The Calefax Reed Quintet** performs Friday, April 15, at Sunset Center.

The concert is the last offering of Chamber Music Monterey Bay's 2015-2016 season.

Playing music that spans the centuries from baroque to jazz, the quintet features oboist **Oliver Boekhoorn**, clarinetist **Ivar Berix**, saxophonist **Raaf Hekkema**, bass clarinetist **Jelte Althuis** and bassoonist

*Prelude and Fugue in E-flat Major, BWV 852*; Schumann's *Waldszenen, Op. 82*; Strauss' *Til Eulenspiegel, Op. 28*; Scriabin's *5 Études*; and Gershwin's *An American in Paris*.

The music starts at 8 p.m. Musicologist **Kai Christiansen** presents a free talk in Sunset Center's Studio 105 at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$41 to \$59 with discounts available for students and active military. Also, a limited number of free tickets are available for children and music teachers.

Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. Call (831) 625-2212 or [www.chambermusic-montereybay.org](http://www.chambermusic-montereybay.org).

singles, "A Better Man" and the title track. One of best-selling country artists of the 1990s, he recorded 13 No. 1 country singles during the decade, and 15 others landed in the Top 10.

"We are thrilled to have the legendary Clint coming to our venue," said **Lori**

**Lochtefeld**, co-owner of the Golden State Theatre. "We know there are tons of fans in Monterey County who love this award-winning singer-songwriter."

Opening the show is singer-songwriter

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## On A High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

**Alban Wesly.**

"Forget everything you thought you knew about chamber music," said **Douglas Paul Ambort**, the executive director of Chamber Music Monterey Bay. "These guys will change the way you think about it. They take music composed for strings or an orchestra, and they rearrange it so it's fresh and alive and intriguing."

At Sunset, the ensemble will play Bach's

### ■ Passing the torch

Two weeks after country music legend **Merle Haggard** passed away, one of his most successful proteges, singer-songwriter **Clint Black**, visits the Golden State Theater in Monterey Thursday, April 21.

With a smooth baritone that drew comparisons to Haggard's voice, Black burst onto the country scene in 1989 with his debut LP, "Killin' Time," which shot to the top of the charts, as did two of the album's



Marty O'Reilly and the Old Soul Orchestra (top left) play Saturday in Big Sur. The Calefax Reed Quintet (top right) performs Friday at Sunset Center. Singer-songwriter Anderson East (left) visits Carmel Valley Sunday. Country star Clint Black (right) takes the stage Thursday in Monterey.



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## soup to nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

Chronicle’s 2015 Winemaker of the Year and the woman behind the highly acclaimed wines of Wayfarer, Pahlmeyer, Cattleya and Shared Notes, will be in Carmel to share her creations with fortunate guests that evening.

Rave began consulting for Jayson Pahlmeyer in 2012, focusing on developing Wayfarer, his 30-acre estate vineyard of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay in Fort Ross-Seaview. She later launched her own brand, Cattleya — and then embarked on another, Shared Notes, with her husband, Jeff Pisoni, winemaker for his family’s own highly regarded winery in the Santa Lucia Highlands.

A native of Colombia, Rave has been described as “effervescing and fiery, with amazing energy,” according to Nora Sande, general manager at Grasing’s. She pursued degrees in viticulture and enology from universities in Bordeaux and Cognac, and after graduation, she worked at wineries in Bordeaux, Burgundy and South Africa before moving to California nine years ago.

All of her wines are finely made, crafted in small quantities and fetch good money (\$65 for the Shared Notes Sauvignon Blanc/Semillon, for instance, and \$70 for the Cattleya Pratt Vineyard Chardonnay).

Pahlmeyer produces one of the finest Chardonnays around, and his wines also carry a hefty price tag, ranging from \$75 for the Chardonnay, to \$175 for his Proprietary Red. The Wayfarer wines are equally precious and hard to come by. All of which is to say, the dinner at Grasing’s promises to feature some very special wines in its lineup.

It also explains the cost to attend: \$225 per person, including tax and tip. Guests will be able to purchase bottles of the wines presented that evening, and Grasing’s Wine Club members will receive special pricing. Call (831) 624-6562 or visit [www.grasings.com](http://www.grasings.com) for further details and to reserve. Grasing’s is located at the northwest corner of Sixth and Mission in downtown Carmel.

■ Fifi’s tastings — and cheese

Fifi’s restaurant on Forest Hill in Pacific Grove will present an Exceptional Napa Cab Tasting, hosted by its new wine manager, Jacques Melac, Sunday, April 17, from 3 to 5 p.m., for \$20 per person.

Most of the wines are from the Napa Valley, and the tasting will showcase 2012 Regusci Estate Cabernet Sauvignon from the Stags Leap District, 2013 Jamieson Ranch Double Lariat Cabernet Sauvignon, 2013 Vineyard 29 Cabernet Sauvignon Cru, 2013 Mount Veeder Cabernet Sauvignon, 2012 Franciscan Estate Magnificat Meritage, 2013 Yao Ming Cabernet Sauvignon, 2012 Hall Cabernet Sauvignon, 2012 Miner Family Cabernet Sauvignon, 2011 Laird

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## F O O D &amp; W I N E

## FOOD

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Family Cabernet Sauvignon and 2012 Newton Claret.

Then, on Tuesday, April 19, from 6 to 7 p.m., a pairing of wines and cheeses (or cheeses and wines, depending on which one you think is more important), will be offered

for \$35 per person. Melac will guide guests through a tasting of six classic cheeses and the wines that pair perfectly with them.

Reservations are required for the cheese tasting. Call (831) 372-5325 or visit [www.fifiscafe.com](http://www.fifiscafe.com). Fifi's is located at 1188 Forest Ave.

## ■ Green Drinks on Earth Day

Earthbound Farm Stand and the

Sustainability Academy will cohost an Earth Day Green Drinks event Friday, April 22, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the farm stand located at 7250 Carmel Valley Road.

Green Drinks events allow sustainability professionals, regardless of affiliation, to network and learn from each other.

The \$10 suggested donation includes organic appetizers, Heller Estate organic wines, and organic kale lemonade. A raffle will offer prizes.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the Sustainability Academy, a local group that seeks to “accelerate the mainstream practice of sustainability on the Central Coast of California” in all types of businesses, including agriculture.

## ■ Happy Girl meets Lonely Mountain

Happy Girl Kitchen will hold a popup dinner showcasing the products of Watsonville-based Lonely Mountain Farm Friday, April 22, at 6 p.m.

To help the family farm expand its CSA program, which delivers fresh produce to subscribers all season, Todd and Jordan

Champagne are having a dinner at Happy Girl to celebrate them and everything they grow.

“Come dine with us as we explore what their farm is growing,” they said. “This dinner has been very popular in the past, and advance purchase of tickets is a must! Our dinners are always a night to remember!”

The cost is \$55 per person, and Happy Girl Kitchen is located at 173 Central Ave. in Pacific Grove. Visit [www.happygirl-kitchen.com](http://www.happygirl-kitchen.com) to reserve.

## ■ MY ParTEA

MY Museum will hold its annual ParTEA fundraiser Sunday, April 24, from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Tehama Golf Club. Guests will be invited to stroll through the silent auction, glasses of wine in hand, “and experience the whimsy of childhood.”

The tea party will include a light lunch and sweet treats, as well as a children's fashion show featuring the clothing of Chasing Fireflies, with hair by Oya and makeup by Blush.

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Winemaker Bibiana Rave and her husband, Jeff Pisoni, have a winery together called Shared Notes. Rave will be sharing their wines, as well as others she's made, during a dinner at Grasing's on Tuesday.

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The cost is \$125 per person, \$75 of which is tax deductible, or \$1,000 for a table of 10, with \$1,250 for a premier runway table. Tickets can be purchased at [mymuseum.org/events](http://mymuseum.org/events), and reservations are required. Call (831) 649-6444 ext. 204.

■ Brazil Carnival on the Row

The Cannery Row Rotary Club will host its Fourth Annual International Night fundraiser, Brazil Carnival, Sunday, April 24, with an evening of international music, dance, food, cocktails, and live and silent auctions at the InterContinental hotel. Well known samba dancer Maisa Duke will be the evening’s featured entertainer.

Each year, Cannery Row Rotary hosts a fundraiser to show how Rotarians can make a difference in their local community, and a portion of the proceeds from Brazil Carnival night will benefit Gathering for Women, which supports the homeless and hungry.

The event will take place from 4 to 7 p.m. in the hotel at 750 Cannery Row in Monterey. Tickets cost \$60 per person online at [www.canneryrowrotary.org](http://www.canneryrowrotary.org) or at the door.

■ Baum & Blume’s Beer Garden

Baum & Blume, located at 4 El Caminito in Carmel Valley Village, is set to reopen its Beer Garden for the season April 30 — “Just like they do in Germany!” Deb Wenzler said

— with live music and even more beers. The official opening will take place from 3 to 8 p.m., after which the Beer Garden will be open Thursday through Saturday from 3 to 7 p.m.

Updated small plates include warm cheddar crostini with housemade bacon jam and pickled black-eyed peas, caramelized onion and goat cheese phyllo triangles, crispy potato and roasted garlic flatbread with house-grown lentil sprouts, house-smoked pastrami Reuben, smoky “Q” oysters, and grilled Buffalo chicken skewers with dipping sauce.

The usual favorites will be on offer, too: Bavarian pretzel with pink sea salt and creamy mustard sauce, smoked Brats with fresh sauerkraut, the Tyrolean platter with salumi and house-pickled vegetables, Stout ice cream sandwiches (yes, beer is an ingredient), and s’mores sundaes.

■ Tea room celebrates two birthdays

Eddison & Melrose Tea Room at 25 Soledad Drive in Monterey will host two celebrations: the 90th birthday of the Queen of England on April 21, and Audrey Hepburn’s birthday on Wednesday, May 4. Both events will take place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and cost \$25 per person to attend, with \$5 for each ticket sold being donated to ITN Monterey County, a nonprofit that provides transportation for the elderly and visually impaired.

During the queen’s birthday party, guests will sip mimosas and special teas blended in honor of the royal great-grandchildren, and will indulge from a buffet of Her Highness’

favorite foods: Coronation Chicken with Vegetable Melange, sausage rolls, chocolate biscuit cake, royal scones with all the fixings, and English trifle.

And for the celebration of the queen of the silver screen’s natal day, the tea room will take on the flavor of “Breakfast at Tiffany’s,” with Champagne, Karen Anne’s Granola Blue Tiffany parfaits, smoked salmon croissant rounds, Chicken Cordon Bleu croquettes, fresh lavender Caesar, cheddar scones and Tiffany chocolate cups. Guests are encouraged to wear their favorite black dresses — with lots of bling.

For reservations, call (831) 393-9479 or email [cuppa@emtearoom.com](mailto:cuppa@emtearoom.com). For more information, visit [www.emtearoom.com](http://www.emtearoom.com).

■ Twisted Roots Flight Nights

Twisted Roots winery is celebrating the fourth anniversary of its Carmel Valley tasting room by launching Flight Nights, offered the last Thursday of every month from April to November.

Owners Josh and Julie Ruiz will put together a flight of four wines to taste for just \$5 between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. (They will also sell a glass of wine for \$5 on those nights.) The lineup will include a light,

Chablis-style Chardonnay, award-winning Cabernet Sauvignon, the flagship Petite Sirah, and Old Vine Zinfandel, with fruit grown on vines planted in 1918.

The tasting room is located at 12 Delfino Place in Carmel Valley Village.

■ Georis wines win award

The Sakura Japan Women’s Wine Awards, the largest international wine competition in Japan judged only by women, awarded a gold medal to Georis Chardonnay, and double golds to the winery’s La Chapelle and Sauvignon Blanc. According to the winery, only 181 double golds were awarded among more than 3,500 entries, and of those, the Sauvignon Blanc was one of three dozen wines to take the competition’s highest award, the Diamond Trophy.

For the Sakura Japan Women’s Wine Awards, which lasted five days, 380 wine professionals blind tasted 3,543 entries from 35 countries and awarded silver, gold and double gold medals, as well as the Diamond trophies.

To see what the buzz is about, visit the Georis tasting room at 1 Pilot Road in Carmel Valley Village. Call (831) 659-1080. [www.georiswine.com](http://www.georiswine.com)

MEarth Day

THE HILTON Bialek Habitat will host its annual celebration of Earth Day Saturday, April 23, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., with a plant sale, organic food, a silent auction, live music, eco-exhibitors — and a bicycle-powered blender for making smoothies.

Several hundred supporters, neighbors and friends will converge on the habitat project, called MEarth, next to Carmel Middle School for a “daylong celebration of sustainable living,” according to organizers.


There, they can learn how to create a gar-

den for pollinators and other local wildlife — and buy the plants to make the idea a reality — as well as explore the outdoor exhibition area, and “shop for all things related to renewable energy, conscious living, sustainable foods, local art and green products.”

Forrest Eggleston will be there with his mobile silk-screening gear, ready to customize any item participants bring, whether T-shirts, aprons or handbags.

Casanova Restaurant will provide tasty treats, and kids will get a kick out of making bike-powered smoothies.

For more information, visit [www.mearth-carmel.org](http://www.mearth-carmel.org).



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# MUSIC

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## Bret von Lindenberg.

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## ■ For a good cause

To help pay for its upkeep and maintain its role as a hub of activity down the coast, the Big Sur Grange Hall will host a benefit concert Sunday, April 17.

So far, the lineup for the latest Big Sur Music Review and Potluck features **The Carr Creek Crossing**, a bluegrass band from Aromas; **The Chicago Els**, a Carmel vocal group inspired by the Beatles; and **Alaina Musich**, a singer and pianist from Monterey. More acts are expected to be added.

Showtime is 4 p.m. Admission is \$10. The site of a wide variety of classes and events, the Grange Hall is located just off Highway 1 25 miles south of Carmel.

## ■ Banjo wizard plays Cherry

Serving up an eclectic mix of Bahamian sea chanties, African-American a cappella songs and Appalachian ballads, **Jayne Stone’s Lomax Project** performs Thursday, April 21, at the Cherry Center for the Arts.

A composer and innovative banjo player, Stone reimagines some of North America’s earliest and most distinctive music. He’ll be joined by singer and accordion player **Moiria Smiley**, singer and fiddler **Sumaia Jackson**, and singer and bassist **Joe Phillips**.

The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25. The Cherry Center is located at Fourth and Guadalupe. Call (831) 624-7491.

## ■ Tenor unplugs at mission

Continuing a tradition he started four years ago, tenor **Pasquale Esposito** presents another “unplugged” candle-light concert Sunday, April 17, at Carmel Mission.

A native of Naples, Italy, who came to the United States as a college student, Esposito will perform a mix of opera arias, Neapolitan songs and original compositions — and he will do it without the aid of amplification.

The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$50. The mission is located at 3080 Rio Road. For more, call (408) 528-6308.

## ■ Student musicians play benefit

The musical talent of tomorrow will be on display Sunday, April 17, when **Youth Music Monterey’s Chamber Players** perform a benefit concert at All Saints Church.

The program includes music by Beethoven, Janacek, Schubert, Dvorak and others.

“These amazing young people proposed this benefit concert, the proceeds of which go directly to support YMMC’s programs throughout Monterey County,” said **Dorothy Micheletti**, the president of nonprofit music group. “We are touched that they choose to share their music in support of all

of our students.”

The music starts at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$20, although student-musicians can attend for free. The church is located at Dolores and Ninth. Call (831) 375-1992.

## ■ Live Music April 15-21

**Barmel** — singer-songwriter **Joe Kaplow** (Friday at 7 p.m.); **Jesse R.S.** (rock, folk and funk, Saturday at 7 p.m.); and singer-songwriter **Keith Alan Mitchell** (Thursday at 7 p.m.). San Carlos and Seventh, (831) 626-3400.

**Bistro 211** — singer-songwriter **Andrea Carter** (“folksy jazz and jazz folk,” Friday at 6 p.m.). In the Crossroad shopping center, (831) 625-3030.

**Bon Ton L’Roy’s Lighthouse Smokehouse** in Monterey — **The Carolyn Sills Combo** (jazz, Friday at 7 p.m.); **The Next Blues Band** (Saturday at 7 p.m.); and singer-songwriter **Vincent Randazzo** (Thursday at 6 p.m.). 794 Lighthouse Ave., (831) 375-6958.

**Cibo Ristorante Italiano** in Monterey — **Good Times** (classic rock, Friday at 9 p.m.); singer **Dizzy Burnett** (jazz, Sunday at 7 p.m.); singer **Lee Durley** and pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz and swing, Tuesday at 7 p.m.); **Andrea’s Fault** (Wednesday at 7 p.m.); and **The Ben Herod Trio** (swing and jazz, Thursday at 7 p.m.). 301 Alvarado St., (831) 649-8151.

**Cooper’s Pub & Restaurant** in Monterey — singer-songwriter **Sean Ryan** (Friday at 9 p.m.); and guitarist **Joseph Lucido** (jazz, r&b and world music, Saturday at 9 p.m.). 653 Cannery Row, (831) 373-1353.

**Fernwood Resort** in Big Sur — **The Marty O’Reilly Band** (“old soul,” Saturday at 9 p.m.). On Highway 1 25 miles south of Carmel, (831) 667-2422.

**Folktale Winery** in Carmel Valley — singer-songwriter **Casey Frazier** (Saturday at 4:30 p.m.); **Andrea’s Fault** (jazz and blues, Sunday at 4:30 p.m.); and singer-songwriter **Anderson East** (Sunday at 4:30 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road, (831) 293-7500.

**The Fuse Lounge** at Carmel Mission Inn — **The Cover Brothers** (pop and rock, Friday and Saturday at 9 p.m.). 3665 Rio Road, (831) 624-6630.

**Hyatt Carmel Highlands** — singer **Neal Banks** and guitarist **Steve Ezzo** (pop and rock, Friday at 7 p.m.); and singer and pianist **Dino Vera** (jazz, blues and r&b, Saturday at 7 p.m. and Thursday at 6 p.m.). 120 Highlands Drive, (831) 620-1234.

**Hyatt Regency Monterey Hotel and Spa** in Monterey — guitarist **Bob Basa** and drummer **David Morwood** (jazz, Friday at 7 p.m.); and singer **Laurie Hofer**, keyboardist **Gary Meek**, bassist **Peter Lips** and drummer **David Morwood** (jazz, Saturday at 7 p.m.). 1 Old Golf Course Road, (831) 372-1234.

**The Inn at Spanish Bay** in Pebble Beach — **The Jazz Trio** featuring pianists **Bob Phillips** or **Bill Spencer** (jazz, in the lobby, Friday at 7 p.m.); **The Jazz Trio** featuring pianists **Bob Phillips** or **Bill Spencer** (jazz, in the lobby, Saturday at 7 p.m.); singer-songwriter **Bryan Diamond** (in **The Traps Lounge**, Friday and Saturday at 9 p.m.); and **The Dottie Dodgion Trio** (jazz, Thursday at 7 p.m.); Also, a bagpiper plays every evening. 2700 17 Mile Drive, (831) 647-7500.

**Julia’s** restaurant in Pacific Grove — mandolinist **Dave Holodiloff** (“bluegrass and beyond,” Tuesday at 6 p.m.); and

singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** (Thursday at 5:30 p.m.). 1180 Forest Ave., (831) 656-9533.

**Lucia Restaurant + Bar** at Bernardus Lodge in Carmel Valley — pianist **Martin Headman** (jazz, Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.). 415 Carmel Valley Road, (831) 658-3400.

**Mission Ranch** — singer and pianist **Maddaline Edstrom** with (jazz and pop, 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.

**Pierce Ranch Vineyards** in Monterey — **Haunted Summer** with **Steve Uccello** (“dream pop,” Friday at 8 p.m.); and **The Stu Reynolds Saxtet** (jazz, Thursday at 8 p.m.). 499 Wave St., (831) 372-8900.

**Terry’s Lounge at Cypress Inn** — pianist **Gennady Loktionov** and singer **Debbie Davis** (cabaret, Friday at 7 p.m.); singer and pianist **Clay Whittington** (jazz and pop, Saturday at 7 p.m.); **Andrea’s Fault** (jazz and blues, Sunday at 11 a.m.); guitarist **Richard Devinck** (classical, Sunday at 5 p.m.); and singer **Lee Durley** and pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz and pop, Thursday at 6 p.m.). Lincoln and Seventh, (831) 624-3871.

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# LETTERS

From page 28A

## Why is the union involved in Measure X?

Dear Editor,

This week, I received a call from a gentleman asking me to oppose Measure X. The Caller ID on my phone displayed “Unite Here Local 483,” the union that has been sponsoring mailings against the hotel project.

I asked the caller if he was from the union, and to his credit, he acknowledged that he was, although he certainly did not volunteer that information. This troubles me.

I believe that by the union opposing the hotel now, long before the project goes through a series of rigorous reviews, and long before there is even a management team in place to think of hiring staff, that the union’s opposition is self serving and not in the interest of Pacific Grove. And, in my mind, underhanded. The union’s real goal is to apply pressure now on the developer in order to get an agreement making future unionization easier. What does this have to do with opposition to “big city” development, and how does it help residents of our city?

And if the union succeeds in killing off Project Bella,

what has the union accomplished? No hotel. No jobs, unionized or otherwise. Is this a good expenditure of the dues paid by Local 483’s hard working members? I doubt it.

Should the future hotel be unionized? That’s for future management and workers to decide. Let’s all consider the merits of the project itself and what it offers to Pacific Grove, and look carefully at those who seek to influence our vote, and why.

David Spradling, Pacific Grove

## ‘Strong supporter’

Dear Editor,

I am a homeowner and resident of Pacific Grove, Monterey County native, and financial executive who strongly supports Project Bella. Pacific Grove critically needs both the tax funding and unique tourism draw that this project provides. Counter-arguments to the project are nonsensical. The American Tin Cannery building is aesthetically unappealing and clashes with the surrounding area, at 200 or fewer rooms, traffic/parking and related impacts are minor (compare with 269 rooms at Spanish Bay and 212 rooms at The Clement/InterContinental — neither of which has materially impacted traffic or parking) and Measure X doesn’t even approve a specific project, so is not restricting typical and

reasonable project review activities. As to the water usage concern, the LEED Platinum target for this project would be a momentous symbol of environmentalism and conservation for the region, as only five hotels in North America currently are so designated. I implore all Pacific Grove residents to support this measure and provide the city an opportunity to explore rational hotel development concepts at this site.

Greg Steelman,  
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# TRAFFIC

From page 7A

The author of the “Big Sur Kate” blog, Kathleen Novoa also encouraged residents to attend the meeting and offer their ideas for solving the dilemma.

“We must find a way to work together to resolve this issue, not just complain about it,” Novoa said. “We all have stories about how bad it has gotten the last few years, but now it is time to share solutions, ideas and ask our questions of the various agencies with whom we share responsibility for this unique place.”

While it’s unclear what can be done to reduce the problems Big Sur is facing from so much tourist traffic, Novoa cited Italy’s Cinque Terre as an example of a place that is facing similar challenges — and is trying to

do something about it.

After 2.5 million tourists visited the popular destination on the Italian Riviera last year, Italian officials decided to limit that number to 1.5 million people in 2016. Starting this summer, those 1.5 travelers will need buy tickets in advance, and an app will show them when the best time to visit is. “They came up a creative solution,” Novoa noted.

A reader of Novoa’s blog suggested creating a radio channel in Big Sur that would broadcast up-to-date information about traffic, road conditions, and the availability of lodging, identify where restrooms are, and educate the public about the dangers of illegal camping and campfires. Signs at Carmel River Bridge and just north of Hearst Castle would encourage motorists to tune in.

The meeting starts at 10 a.m. The conference center is located 26 miles south of Carmel at Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park.



Traffic jams like this one at Bixby Bridge last summer have unfortunately become common in Big Sur, leading residents and officials to try to figure out what — if anything — they can do about them.

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# Editorial

# The city starts over

JUST TWO years ago, when Steve Dallas was elected to his first term on the council, city hall seemed to be in the hands of people who would be there awhile.

Jason Burnett had just been reelected mayor by a huge margin, while his opponent, Ken Talmage, was in the middle of his second full council term.

Meanwhile, Jason Stilwell was running the city administration with a firm hand, assisted by his equally determined second-in-command, Susan Paul.

Twenty-four months later, they are all gone — and what’s replacing them is a group whose strength, but perhaps also their weakness, is that they’re newcomers to the offices they will hold.

Hard as it may be to believe, beginning later this month, the senior statesman on the city council will be Carrie Theis, who's been in office just a little more than three years. And don't forget that we also have a new city manager. Or that one of the new council's first orders of business will be to pick someone to take the seat Dallas is vacating — and there's a good chance that person will be a newcomer to city hall, as well.

### What does this mean for the citizenry?

First of all, it means they'll have to be patient. Everything the council has been working on recently may have to be revisited — especially beach fires. Long-term projects, such as the water shortage, won't get the immediate attention they're used to. And new initiatives will have to be delayed.

As council winner Bobby Richards put it, the new group is facing a “vertical learning curve.” So please don’t expect miracles.

Secondly, nobody should burden the new council with long-held grudges and ancient feuds. Among other thing, this is the perfect time to bury the hatchet from the “residents vs. business” war. Bygones are called bygones for a reason, aren’t they?

And thirdly, all loyal Carmelites have to be willing to help. The losing council candidates should immediately offer their services for any board, commission or volunteer position that needs them, and so should the other citizens in town who spoke out during the election season. For starters, if you wrote a letter to the editor, hosted a coffee or passed out campaign literature, you should drop a note to the mayor or one of the council members to ask how you can help.

The City of Carmel is facing a surprising, new era, with inexperienced leadership. It's what the voters wanted, and now they have it. What factors will help the members of the new city council succeed? The answer is no farther than your nearest mirror.

## BEST of BATES



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# Letters to the Editor

*Downtown a mess?*

**Dear Editor,**

As I walk around the downtown area of Carmel, it is so disheartening to see weeds everywhere growing out of the sidewalks, in the tree areas along the streets, etc. The NW corner of Fifth and San Carlos up from the post office is especially atrocious. Doesn't the city employ maintenance workers?

Many store and restaurant windows look like they haven't been washed in months if not years. Stores seem empty of customers and many storefronts just plain empty.

The scruffy and tired appearance of downtown is not a new development, it has been going on for many years now.

Garbage cans are dirty, sidewalks and crosswalks unsafe. I firmly believe there is a correlation between the lack of business and the way the town is looking.

In fact, over the past few years, I have had many longtime clients commenting on just these issues and how the town has lost its charm.

My hope is that the new mayor and council will seriously look at and address these serious issues before they lose even more businesses.

**Kathleen Million,**  
*Monterey*

*Union's 'multifaceted' concerns*  
Dear Editor,

I write to correct your March 25 editorial endorsing Measure X, where you incorrectly represented my union's goals. First, our concerns regarding the Measure X hotel project are multifaceted. As a local organization representing people who work and live in P.G., Local 483 is concerned about the project's size — covering land the size of three football fields — and its impact on water, traffic, and more. We are also concerned that the developer has given only vague promises regarding quality jobs at the hotel.

You incorrectly stated that our union wants “a promise that the new hotel will be a union shop.” In fact, we have asked the developer for an agreement on a fair process to ensure that workers can bargain for quality jobs by choosing a union, if they want one. Many hotel developers have signed such agreements. But this developer refuses to come to the table at this juncture, saying it would be premature — much as this developer also argues that it’s premature to do environmental review before the rezone vote.

I don't accept the developer's timeline. Given the project's size and importance, this community needs more than promises to talk about key issues "later." Without specific commitments, P.G. residents should vote No on X on April 19.

**Hector Azpilqueta, Secretary-Treasurer**  
*Unite Here Local 483*

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# Baja beach dream springs from Big Sur transplant’s experiences

HOW DOES a Miami native end up running a resort on the Sea of Cortez? By way of Big Sur, of course.

Cheryl Borek Harris was born and raised in Miami, Fla. She harbors a serious inner hippie, and partway through junior college, decided the academic life wasn’t for her. The travel bug called, but instead of hitting the road, she took to the high seas with the then-fledgling Norwegian Caribbean Cruise Line.

She started out in customer service. “We took reservations in books with pens — I’m really dating myself, now!” she laughed. She moved into sales, where her rather enviable job was to bring travel agents on cruises, wine and dine them, and take them on shore excursions.

That went well for seven or eight years, and she even became a district sales manager. Then she saw an ad for land in Big Sur and flew out to see what the big deal was. She ended up buying 10 acres with an adobe and brick house without a second thought.

“Everything was new to me,” she said of her first experience roughing it. “We had chickens and gardened; we were off the grid and pumped our water. The property bordered Los Padres National Forest, so we had access to a lot of hiking trails, too,” she remembered.

We? Our?

“There was a fellow. It was an adventure,” she said.

During the 27 years she lived in Big Sur, Harris supported herself in several different ways. First, she took a job working for Clint at the Hog’s Breath. She was hired as a hostess, but after two weeks she realized where

the money was.

“I became a cocktail waitress and bartender, and worked out on that beautiful patio for 12 years. I didn’t have to watch TV because all the movie stars and TV people were coming through. The people who worked there were like family — nobody ever left.”

Except that when Clint’s term of office as mayor ended, she did. She’d met an artist who traveled to Bali, taught the natives there how to make beautiful wood carvings, and then brought them back to the U.S. to sell. She decided to open a wholesale business in

## Great Lives

By ELAINE HESSER

Carmel Valley, selling the carvings, jewelry, furniture, and clothing from a line she started, called Fire Batik.

Batik is a form of art in which designs are painted onto fabric with wax, and then the fabric is dyed. The wax resists the dye and creates a design on the material. In Harris’ case, that became part of the clothing she designed.

“No two pieces were alike,” she said.

She traveled two to three times a year to Bali — “a small, very magical island” — and visited the craftsmen and factories where the products she sold were made.

“I knew the people were paid well and were well fed. I was there,” she said.

She moved from wholesaling into retail-

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Mona and Cheryl Borek Harris were fixtures at Exotica in the Crossroads for years. She’s long since sold the store and it’s closed, but she has happy memories of her customers and the sometimes controversial frog-headed mannequin who sat outside the store.

# SIGNS

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and approach toward me.”

“I told him I did not like his tone and he said he did not like my tone or clothes,” Hubanks said. “I then thanked him for stopping by and repeated that he should take Renee’s advice and speak with [chamber president] Moe Ammar. I then closed my door because he looked a bit unhinged.”

The man stuck his No on X sign underneath the Yes on X sign before driving off, Hubanks said.

Ammar said he planned to report the confrontation to police.

“In my 30 years in P.G., I have never seen anything like this,” he said of the sign incidents.

And on Tuesday afternoon, Hubanks saw another man removing a Yes on X sign on Lighthouse Avenue, Ammar said.

### Stolen or tampered with

Measure X — the ballot measure on April 19 that asks voters to change the zoning of the American Tin Cannery to allow the possibility of a hotel there — has been highly contentious, with both sides contending they’ve had signs stolen or tampered with. Ammar told The Pine Cone that about 100 Yes on X signs have been stolen.

The leader of the local campaign to defeat Measure X was also caught on chamber surveillance video April 5 pulling up two signs from the Central Avenue office and tossing them aside. He did not, however, steal the signs, and he said afterward he believed they were posted unlawfully.

Meanwhile, Unite Here Local 483, a labor union that represents about 1,300 of the county’s more than 20,000 hospitality workers, stepped up anti-Measure X mailers this week. While the union’s anti-hotel campaign cites environmental issues that could arise with a hotel on the site, it is likely using the tactic because the hotel’s developer, Domaine Hospitality Partners, has not promised to hire union employees to work in the hotel.

# HOTEL

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long list of capital projects like repairing sidewalks and streets to updating city parks.

“In addition, many recreational programs that have been cut would now be reconsidered by the city council,” he said.

The revenue, Brodeur explained, would also allow the city to “attract and retain talent that we have been less than effective in attracting because of our lower salary structure,” and better manage CalPERS obligations.

“The city council would ultimately decide where these funds would go,” he said. “All in all, a net positive for P.G.”

The hotel would require the developer to purchase or lease from the city about 19,200 square feet of the right of way of Sloat Avenue, estimated to cost \$480,000.

Although a hotel on the American Tin Cannery site would be busier than the outlet mall currently there, it “would likely not require a measurably higher level of service” from city departments, including police and fire.

“While there may be an increase in calls for service for certain city functions, no city departments would need to add staff to address the service increase,” according to the analysis by Monterey-based Applied Development Economics, Inc.

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February - What have I gotten myself into? What is a FPDC # ?

March - Hey this is going pretty well, I like these forums. I am really enjoying meeting everybody, Post office isn't so bad, I like it across the street. Even better when Pepe or my sister come by to hang out.

April - This is nerve racking, Hurry up election day.

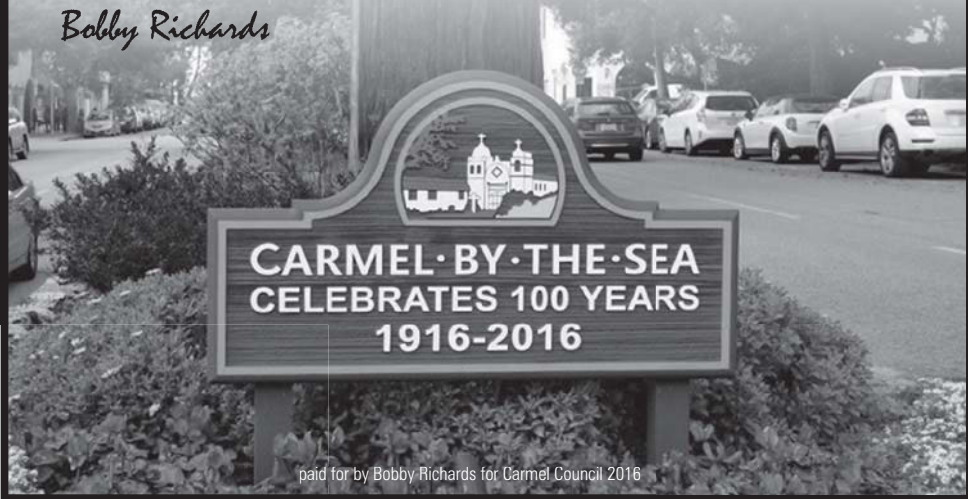
April 12, 2016 - 9:30 pm - WOW, Completely honored. 20 years ago I was hired at Cypress Inn and to hear the results while I was at the hotel is something else.

What a great feeling this is, with friends and neighbors, in a charming village I am lucky enough to be a part of.

I have always enjoyed being an active and engaged member of our community, taking much pride in the commission and boards I am currently a part of. Unfortunately, I will have to give them up. To the members I served with; it was a pleasure working with all of you.

Moving forward, It is my honor to serve as a member of the Carmel City Council. Thank you for the support, encouragement & friendship so many have offered.

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# RESULTS

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conversations shared with respect for all points of view.”

“And I complete the campaign with the same wish, and now, goal,” Reimers said. “All ideas and concepts should be heard in order to arrive at the best decisions. Most importantly, they should be heard with respect and consideration. I welcome being a part of those conversations.”

Reimers, who has been serving on the planning commission, said she looks forward to setting priorities along with the rest of the council.

**‘Vertical learning curve’**

Richards said campaigning was “a great experience, far better than I thought it would be.”

“I stuck to my guns as far as I never asked for a donation, and I never felt like I was accosting people at the post office,” he said. “I was fortunate enough to have people want to support me, and anyone who wanted to talk to me at the post office came over to talk to me. That was really fun for me: I met some terrific people that I never thought would be on my side or even want to talk to me.”

Those experiences, he noted, are evidence the age-old residents-vs.-business argument, which Mosley unsuccessfully used to market himself, “is dead.”

Now, Richards is embarking on the “vertical learning curve with who answers to whom, the Brown Act, the different responsibilities, and what board I’m going to be asked to sit on.” He’ll be stepping down from the cultural commission and boards for the Run in the Name of Love, the Hospitality Improvement District and the chamber of commerce.

After he’s sworn into office with the others, he said, “Our first order should be to get that fifth member on board.”

“I’m really excited to work with Chip,” he added, and to be “embracing the hundred years we just had and setting forward for the

100 years ahead of us.”

**Next steps for the others**

Talmage was succinct in his response to the election. He said he has no future political plans in town, though he will remain a resident here.

“After 12 years of service, it is time for me to step aside,” he said.

Kreitman said the election was “a good, hard-fought race,” with a lot of community involvement and engagement, and discussion of important issues, “some at length, some at excruciating length.”

He congratulated the “clear winners” and said he hopes they’ll find the right person to fill Dallas’ council seat.

“I trust they’ll pick the best person for the position, and I’d be honored if they decided that person were me,” he said.

Mosley thanked his supporters, whose hard work and contributions made his campaign possible.

“I learned a lot about Carmel and the campaign process, and I made some new friends along the way,” said Mosley, who moved here a few years ago and became politically involved after seeing the (since removed) parking meters on Ocean Avenue.

“I knew I’d be a winner regardless of the outcome, and I think Jan Reimers and Bobby Richards will make fine council members,” he said.

Mosley couldn’t say whether he would run again in two years, as it depends on what’s going on in his life and in the city at that point. “In the near future, I’m going to try to find some interesting work to do, and I may apply for a position on a commission or board with the city,” he said.

Likewise, Pappadeas said he learned a lot from his first experience campaigning for elected office, and he enjoyed meeting so many people. He also said that, while he voted for himself, the candidates he wanted to win were those who prevailed.

“While I campaigned for myself, I always put in a good word for those that won,” he said.

Pappadeas said he might work with the council on specific tasks, if the opportunity

arises, or he may seek a seat on a city commission or board.

“Now that I’ve learned a little more, maybe I can help out that way,” he said,

adding that Carmel is filled with “a lot of very good, intelligent people.”

“The whole city is interesting to me,” he said. “As far as I’m concerned, I won.”

## Orange County multimillionaire sends out Talmage hit piece

By MARY SCHLEY

A FULL-COLOR four-page mailer targeting mayoral candidate Ken Talmage hit Carmel-by-the-Sea voters’ mailboxes over the weekend, prompting many to wonder why Howard F. Ahmanson, a Newport Beach man who inherited a savings-and-loan fortune, would care about an election in a 1-square-mile city many miles to his north.

“Reject Ken Talmage for mayor!” the flyer screams. “It is no wonder that Ken Talmage is disenfranchised with the residents of Carmel. Talmage has a full-time home in San Francisco and is merely a part-time resident. His tenure on the Carmel City Council has been plagued with controversy and an utter disregard for the democratic process.”

The mailer probably came too late to affect the outcome of the election, considering more than 800 voters had already cast their ballots by mail by Friday, and Tuesday’s election saw his competitor, Steve Dallas, win decisively. Nevertheless, it prompted two Talmage supporters who are also former mayors to write a letter in his defense.

“It is not only ugly in tone, but it is replete with half-truths and clearly intended inaccuracies. In places his tirade uses language similar to other Carmel campaign literature which is circulating,” Sue McCloud and Ken White wrote. “Whatever the motivation is for this dirty trick, we have not seen the likes of it recently here in Carmel.”

While the mailer bullet-points several criticisms and quotes from local newspapers — though not much from The Pine Cone — it focuses mostly on his work to get rid of wood fires on the beach. It calls out outgoing Mayor Jason Burnett and forest and beach

commissioner Kathy Bang, along with Talmage, for using “heavy-handed tactics” in pushing for the ban.

It also states in boldface that Ahmanson and his company paid for the mailer, and that it “was not authorized or paid for by a candidate for this office or a committee controlled by a candidate for this office.”

Reached in Orange County, Ahmanson’s assistant, T.J. Fuentes, said Ahmanson — a major proponent of this state’s efforts to ban gay marriage and an advocate of numerous conservative causes — has long been interested in issues of coastal access.

“Mr. Ahmanson has been actively involved in following beach-fire issues along the coastline ever since a similar issue arose in the city of Newport Beach. We learned about the beach fire issue in Carmel when it was brought to the attention of the coastal commission this past year,” he said.

Fuentes described Ahmanson, who has a couple of foundations that focus on political and social issues, as “a private citizen who is working to protect public access to California’s beaches and the affordable activities the beaches offer,” including “the time-honored family tradition of wood burning beach fires.”

Fuentes said Ahmanson was gratified to learn the results of the election, which showed Dallas with a 156-vote lead over Talmage when the third round of results came in Thursday, though the actual impacts on the fate of beach fires remain to be seen.

For his part, Dallas said he had nothing to do with the mailer and had no idea it was in the works.

“It came as a huge surprise to me,” he said. “I found out about it when I was standing at the post office on Saturday.”

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# WOODSON

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amazing sophomore season — I was 12-0 — and had full-ride scholarships waiting for me at both Arizona State and Stanford.”

Woodson also figured to be a first- or second-round pick if he re-entered the amateur baseball draft. That bargaining power resulted in a six-digit signing bonus from the Mariners, who sent him to Bellingham, Wash., to begin his minor-league career. He stayed for only half a season before he was promoted to San Bernardino, where he made the California League all-star team.

“Unfortunately, Seattle wasn’t quite like Yankees,” Woodson remembers with a laugh. “We played in these horrible stadiums and rode 1940s-vintage buses that always seemed to break down at 3 in the morning in the middle of nowhere.”

After a summer at Double-A Jacksonville, Fla., he was promoted to the Triple-A team in Calgary, Alberta, Canada in 1992. He was only there for half a season before receiving news he’d been awaiting all his life.

“My manager, Keith Bodie, called me into his office after a night game, said they needed a reliever in Seattle, and I was the one they were sending,” he says. “That took

my breath away. I couldn’t speak. I choked up a little bit. My dream was coming true.”

He flew to Seattle the following morning and joined a team that was struggling, but talent-laden: Ken Griffey Jr., Randy Johnson, Edgar Martinez, Jay Buhner, Brett Boone, Kevin Mitchell and Harold Reynolds were in the clubhouse when he arrived. Carmel High and Monterey Peninsula College alumnus Pete O’Brien also was on the team, winding down his 12-year big-league career.

“Pete had been my idol growing up, so to break in on the team he was on was amazing,” Woodson says. “He took me under his wing a little bit, and we played a lot of golf together. He was a really good guy.”

## Kingdome debut

Unfortunately, Woodson rusted in the bullpen for 10 days before he ever pitched. He finally made his debut at the Kingdome in front of 55,000 fans, most of whom had crossed the Canadian border to watch the first-place Toronto Blue Jays, who would go on to win the World Series that year.

The nervous rookie threw 10 consecutive balls and walked the bases loaded before Reynolds came to the mound to calm him down. His next pitch was a strike, and he eventually got slugger John Olerud to hit into an inning-ending double play.

# LIVES

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ing when she opened her boutique, Exotica, in the Crossroads in the early 1990s. For 17 years, she continued to design and sell her clothing line along with jewelry and accessories by other artists. The sailing wasn’t always smooth, however, and a typical Carmel retailer’s dilemma briefly put her on the defensive.

It seems that Harris had a mannequin named Mona, which was topped with a whimsically painted frog’s head. She would dress Mona in designer togs and put her on a bench outside the store.

“If I didn’t have her out there, people would come in and ask, ‘Is Mona OK?,’ she said. For reasons she no longer remembers clearly, someone in authority either from the county or the shopping center objected to Mona’s presence on the bench. There was a brief dustup, but Harris prevailed and Mona

abided.

While she still owned Exotica, she purchased a small guest compound in Cabo Pulmo National Marine Park, at the southeastern tip of Baja California. Called Casa Cactus, it overlooks the Sea of Cortez, where John Steinbeck and Ed Ricketts had their adventures.

Harking back to her Big Sur experiences, Harris was able to develop the property — which has three rooms available for vacationers — into an off-the-grid paradise, complete with a 60-foot deep well, solar panels and its own water treatment facility.

Ready to live the life that most people only dream of, Harris sold Exotica and her home in Big Sur a few years ago, and now spends about half the year at Casa Cactus. She spends the other half on a cattle ranch in Gonzales, from which she can easily visit all her favorite Monterey Peninsula haunts, including the Monterey Bay Aquarium. She’s looking forward to seeing the ¡Viva Baja! exhibit and comparing it with her own experience of the area.

Woodson put up exceptional numbers in his next seven games, but felt pain in his elbow after making his first big-league start against the Rangers. A tendon had torn and he spent the rest of the season, plus the following year, on the disabled list.

Released by the Mariners, he signed with the 1998 Rockies, pitching well enough at the Triple-A level to get a call-up to the big leagues. “But Kirt Manwaring got hurt, and they needed a catcher instead, so I never got to pitch with the Rockies” he says.

That began a whole new adventure. The Rockies sent Woodson to Mexico, where he pitched and rode steaming-hot buses for three months before his agent got him a job with the Brother Elephants, a pro team in Taiwan. It was a short and unforgettable experience.

“I had a 150-square-foot apartment with a bed, a shower, and a hotplate,” he says. “The weird part, though, was that we only played on Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday. On the

other days, we’d take a four-hour bus ride to our practice field, practice for three hours, and ride all the way back. There just wasn’t any land in Taipei for ballfields.”

Woodson returned to the United States to give baseball one last shot — in the independent Atlantic League — but his once-golden arm no longer was up to the task.

That’s when he met single mom Brandy Haines, whom he married in 2004. Her daughter, Lauren (now 24) was soon joined by two young brothers, Ryder, now 8, and Presley, 6, whose own love for baseball occupies much of their father’s time.

“They’ve got the bug worse than I had it, which is fun,” he says.

Woodson also is happy playing shortstop for his sandlot team in a league loaded with college-level players. “My arm feels good again. I can make those throws from shortstop, no problem,” he says. “As long as I don’t have to throw 100 pitches in a game, I’m great.”



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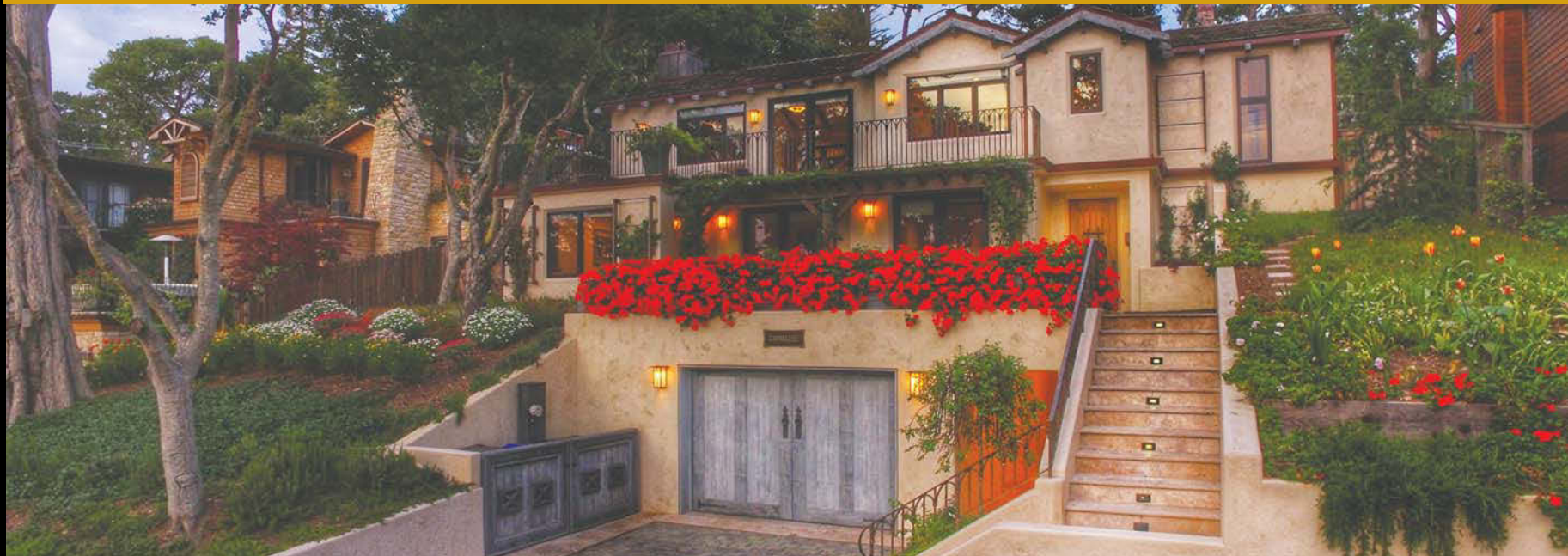
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