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Man rescued after falling onto rocks near P.B. mansion

By MARY SCHLEY

A MAN who was “exploring” private oceanfront property near The Lodge in Pebble Beach ventured too close to the edge of the ragged bluff and fell 25 feet onto rocks at the water’s edge Monday afternoon, injuring himself and requiring rescue by firefighters who used ropes to raise him to safety before the tide came in, according to Cal Fire Battalion Chief Jude Acosta.

“He was walking behind a residence off 17 Mile Drive when he fell down approximately 25 feet onto the rocks,” Acosta told The Pine Cone of the man, whose identity was not available. “It wasn’t his residence. He was exploring.”

Bystanders on the 18th Hole at the Pebble Beach Golf Links heard the man yelling for help after he fell around 4:15 p.m. March 4, and they directed rescuers to his location.

“They could see him from where they were — they heard him — so we made it to around that address and were able to find him,” he said.

The man fell from rocks near the home at 3290 17 Mile Drive, which is owned by former Brocade Communications CEO Greg Reyes and his wife, Penny.

While the Carmel Highlands Fire Protection District launched its Zodiac rescue boat to try to access the man from the water, and a couple

of California State Parks lifeguards arrived to assist, along with Monterey County Sheriff’s deputies and the U.S. Coast Guard, Acosta said firefighters from Pebble Beach eventually pulled the injured man to safety by climbing down ropes and bringing him back up on a litter after checking him out for injuries. A total of 15 firefighters were on scene.

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PHOTO/COURTESY CALFIRE

Rescue workers prepared an injured man for a trip to the hospital after he fell from the rocks in front of an oceanfront mansion in Pebble Beach Monday.

Regional park district eyes takeover, expansion of Jacks Peak park

By CHRIS COUNTS

WHILE JACKS Peak County Park gets very little public use compared to many other local recreational areas, that could change dramatically if a plan by the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District comes to fruition.

According to board member John Dalessio, the regional park district is working to acquire the county park and combine it with several other properties in private ownership to create a 2,000-acre forest preserve that could link Monterey and Carmel Valley.

“This is the most exciting thing I’m ever going to say to this board,” began Dalessio, the senior member of the regional park district board, at Monday’s night meeting at Seaside City Hall.

Describing the proposed parkland as “the only sustainable natural Monterey pine forest in the world,” Dalessio said, “We have an absolute obligation to preserve it.”

Dalessio said the Jacks Peak forest could hold the genetic key to the survival of the Monterey pine. While the pine is one of the most widely distributed trees on earth, and has been planted extensively in countries such as Argentina and New Zealand, he said the pines in those forests lack the genetic diversity to withstand a serious blight or infestation — largely because they are grown like an agricultural crop. In contrast, the local forest has evolved over thousands of years, and as a result, the pines are more resistant to disease and pests.

For a variety of reasons, Dalessio said the regional park district is better suited to manage the proposed park than Monterey County Parks, which oversees the Jacks Peak property.

“The park is very underutilized,” he explained. “The park closes in the afternoon and charges people money to access it, which discourages use. Our parks are free, they’re open from dawn to dusk, and we keep our parks in excellent condition.”

Dalessio and others at the meeting also pointed out that

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COUNCIL PRESERVES MUSIC-AND-ALCOHOL LAW

By MARY SCHLEY

AFTER REALIZING a city ordinance allowing live music in establishments that sell alcohol had lapsed more than a year ago, the Carmel City Council this week approved an urgency ordinance to immediately reenact it. Council members also adopted the first reading of the permanent law, without an expiration date this time, to take effect in May.

Mayor Jason Burnett said the lapse came to his attention in part due to last week’s Pine Cone story, as well as because of concerns raised by restaurateur David Fink, who is seeking live music permits for two of his establishments. Due to the last-minute addition to the March 5 agenda, assistant city administrator Heidi Burch and associate planner Marc Wiener had to work over the weekend to prepare the docu-

ments for the council’s consideration Tuesday.

“We don’t normally like to make staff work over the weekend, but we didn’t want unintended consequences,” Burnett said.

When the council first adopted the law in 2005, overturning a 66-year-old ban on live entertainment in bars and restaurants serving beer, wine and cocktails, “we didn’t have any experience with live music,” city attorney Don Freeman explained at Tuesday’s meeting. “So the council put a three-year limit on it.”

In 2008, the council renewed the law but left the three-year sunset in place, and in November 2011, it expired without anyone noticing. Fast-forward to early this year, when

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PHASE 2 OF MISSION RETROFIT TO BEGIN SOON

By MARY SCHLEY



PHOTO/COURTESY VIC GRABRIAN

After high winds abated, a giant crane was able to remove scaffolding from the Mission roof Wednesday.

AFTER BEING thwarted by high winds Tuesday, the giant crane at the Carmel Mission on Wednesday began removing the pieces of scaffolding that have protected the historic building’s exposed roof from the elements since last summer.

“There was high wind this afternoon,” Vic Grabrian, president of the nonprofit foundation that’s raising funds for and overseeing the work, said March 5. “Apparently it’s 30 mph up there on the roof, which makes it too dangerous to lift those trusses down. The wind definitely makes it treacherous.”

But the weather was calmer the following day, allowing crews to get to work removing the steel trusses — which were covered in plastic to keep out the rain and were being rented by the Carmel Mission Foundation for \$32,000 per month — and to then begin placing the clay barrel tiles that were carefully salvaged from the old roof over the new roof structure.

That constitutes one of the final steps of the \$5 million seismic retrofit that included strengthening the roof of the 220-year-old building, upgrading wiring and fire protection systems, and inserting steel rods to stabilize the walls.

The Basilica is now “three times stronger than it was before,” and the project, being undertaken by Blach

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Bridging the gap between parks and the new generation

By CHRIS COUNTS

THERE ARE few places on earth that possess such a rich diversity of user-friendly parkland as Monterey County. But will the next generation of its residents — many of whom are the children of immigrants and have little access to such places — learn to appreciate them?

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About 50 youngsters, mostly from Seaside, hiked March 2 through Palo Corona Regional Park to a scenic vista overlooking Point Lobos.

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Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Not So Tuffy

HE MAY not be pretty, but he is perfect. His body is sturdy, and his legs are strong. His brindle markings are symmetrical, and his huge head has been called handsome. And he has a heart on his furrowed forehead, making him an absolutely beautiful British bulldog.

Born in Colorado and raised as "Tuffy" in Idaho, this Bullie, now 3, was recently adopted and brought to California, where he lives in the Willow Glen neighborhood of San Jose.

"Tuffy" actually fits the ferocious face with the tough-guy under bite and the "I'm over it" eyes. But he's more tame than tough, and the name didn't appeal to his person, who ran rhyming words through his head until he hit on "Huffy," which led him to "Humphrey" – Bogart.

Humphrey has three passions: eating, drinking and sleeping. And he has three speeds: slow, sluggish and stop. When his family visits their cottage in Carmel, they consider bringing Humphrey to the beach. But then they would have to schlep the 55-pound pup down the slope and across the soft sand, and then haul him back up the hill.

"Humphrey's not a big beach boy," his person says. "The sand would kick his butt. He's strong but not athletic, more of a slugger."

Humphrey does get regular exercise during a daily wander around the block.

"He would be happy just to chill all day," his person



says. "He does his best to keep up on his walk, but toward the end he slows, and when he's done, he stops. And then he is an anchor. He plops down, and his tongue hangs out. His energy is high when it needs to be; the rest of the time it's down low. Usually, he drifts off to sleep and starts snoring like a 200-pound man."

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Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

30-year-old crime finally reported

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Petty theft from the apartment above the Carmel Cherry Center on Guadalupe Street. Taken were two coats and earrings. The resident changed the locks.

Carmel Valley: A Carmel Valley resident was arrested at Carmel Valley Road and Carmel Rancho Road for driving under the influence of alcohol.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lady reported she last had her wallet at a business located on the corner of Junipero and Sixth.

Pacific Grove: Union Street resident reported hearing someone try to open his front

door. Resident confronted suspects, who were on his front porch, and they ran away. An 18-year-old female and two 14-year-old juveniles were later arrested. One of them was hiding in the rocks on Lovers Point.

Pacific Grove: Person put wallet on top of the car and left a gas station on Forest Avenue to catch an airplane.

Pebble Beach: Resident reported receiving a suspicious phone call trying to get her to provide her bank account information.

Pacific Grove: Marijuana roach was turned over to PGPD during the city council meeting. Property was placed into evidence for destruction.

Pebble Beach: Resident reported a civil matter in regards to a vehicle in the State of Florida that he attempted to purchase online.

Carmel area: Citizen called the station to report the theft of approximately \$700,000 in 1 oz. gold Krugerrands from a residence, check fraud related to the purchase of a car, and theft of a TEC-9 gun, all of which transpired in the late '80s to early '90s. The victim was scared to report the theft but came forward after learning the suspect, who had threatened her in the past, has died.

Carmel area: Carmel police turned over a found wallet in the name of Rafael Green.

Carmel area: A ring was found in one of the Crossroads businesses and turned over to the Crossroads management.

Carmel Valley: A Carmel Valley resident called 911 because her cohabiting boyfriend pinned her to a bed and hit her. The victim also reported that the male had been drinking, which was in violation of his probation from the last domestic violence case.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a DUI driver on Dolores Street at 0223 hours. After a

traffic stop, the 37-year-old male driver was arrested for DUI.

Pacific Grove: Officer was dispatched to an unknown injury accident on David Avenue. Upon arrival, witness said the first vehicle ran a red light and broadsided the second vehicle. Upon arrival, there were no injuries.

Pacific Grove: Officer was dispatched to two juveniles caught burning a picnic bench on Fountain Avenue. Woman stopped the juveniles after she witnessed them lighting the bench on fire. There was moderate damage to the bench. Both juveniles, who are 13, were arrested, cited and released to their parents.

Carmel Valley: Resident initially thought she was burglarized. No burglary, just misunderstanding.

Pacific Grove: Fraudulent purchases made using credit card information reported by a victim on Alder Street. No suspect info.

Pacific Grove: Lincoln resident reported her minor son was battered by an adult male subject inside of her home. Male reportedly pulled a knife out during the altercation. Suspect fled prior to arrival of P.D.

Carmel Valley: A Carmel Valley resident was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A citizen reported damage to a residence on Camino Real.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A city employee witnessed possible illegal tree trimming on San Antonio Avenue. Messages were left with the landscaping company owner to verify a permit. The tree was topped by the company, and CPD officers took photographs. Information forwarded to the forestry department.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: An earring found two weeks ago was turned in.

Pacific Grove: Subject on Lincoln admitted to taking an excessive amount of his prescribed meds. Subject made no threats and said he was not suicidal. Subject agreed to be transported to CHOMP for a voluntary committal.

Pacific Grove: Officer was dispatched to a past-tense theft from a vehicle on Grand

See **POLICE LOG** page 8 in the Real Estate Section

Harlan O. Hall



Harlan O. Hall was born in Redondo Beach, California, on August 23, 1922, and died in his home in Reno, Nevada, on March 1, 2013, at the age of 90. Barbara, his best friend, companion, and wife for 42 years, was at his side. His death diminished by one that rapidly decreasing number of men and women who served their country in World War II. After graduating from the California Maritime Academy, he received his Master's License at the age of 22 and was commissioned a Captain in the Merchant Marine. At that time, he was the youngest Captain in that service. Ferrying armaments, ammunition, and troops, he served in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters of war.



After the war, he studied law in pursuit of a law degree at Golden Gate University School of Law. At that point, however, he decided to use his World War II experience and his fascination with the shipping industry for his career path. He was initially employed by Alcoa Steamship Company in Montreal, Canada; New York City; and Norfolk, Virginia; and then with Ramsay-Scarlett in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. In 1970, he co-founded Hall-Buck Marine, a stevedoring firm, in Burnside, Louisiana, which expanded to sites in Portland, Oregon; Los Angeles, California; and in Ohio and Texas.

In 1979, he and his wife moved to Pebble Beach, California, where he served as the treasurer of the Big Sur Land Trust; a member and union negotiator of the Monterey County Symphony Board of Trustees; and a member of the Committee for the Restoration of Sunset Center. He and Barbara subsequently moved to Incline Village in 2006, where they still maintain a home, and then to Arrowcreek in Reno in 2007.

An avid concertgoer, Harlan continued his love and appreciation for the arts and the outdoors by generously supporting the Reno Philharmonic Orchestra, the Reno Chamber Orchestra, the Nevada Museum of Art, and the School of the Arts at the University of Nevada, Reno. An avid hiker, with an enviable year-round tan who had logged hundreds of miles around Lake Tahoe and Desolation Valley, he was also a supporter of the Tahoe Rim Trail. His hiking was not limited to the Sierra Nevada as he and Barbara had recently explored sites in Egypt to add to the list of the many countries they had visited.

Preceded in death by his parents, Loren and Irene Hall, and his sister, Eleanor McAllister, he is survived by his wife, Barbara R. Hall; his six children: Dr. H. Glenn Hall, Gainesville, Florida; Stephen D. Hall (Harriet), Orinda, California; Dr. Madeleine Hall-Arber (Gary), Boston, Massachusetts; Annabelle Hall-Gout (Andre), Orinda, California; Jacqueline Pearce Carter (Richard), Austin, Texas; and Janet Pearce Hudson (John), Mill Valley, California; and thirteen grandchildren.

Following his wishes, Harlan will be cremated and his remains lovingly placed in an area in which he loved to hike. There will not be any formal ceremony although a dinner party will honor and remember him at some time in the near future. A memorial reflecting his love for music, however, will be established with the Reno Philharmonic Association to whom contributions in his memory may be made.



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Cavalier beach party host seeks fee waiver

By MARY SCHLEY

EVERY APRIL, hundreds of Cavalier King Charles spaniels and their owners converge on Carmel Beach for a party to celebrate the breed and raise money for the Animal Friends Rescue Project. On Tuesday, organizer Janet McTurk asked the council to waive her \$400 permit fee for this year's event, after the city's staff denied her request.

"I strongly believe we meet all of the council's criteria for a fee waiver," she said, including having a positive economic impact on the community, generating charitable contributions and promoting the city's pet-friendly reputation.

According to McTurk, 85 percent of the people who attend the annual Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Beach Party visit from out of town, and about half of those make the party the center of a weekend visit. "These people also eat in our restaurants and shop in our local stores," she said, adding that the Cypress Inn already reported having 39 of 44 rooms booked for the weekend of this year's party, which is set for April 20.

Last year's event drew more than 300 attendees who helped raise almost \$5,700 for AFRP, a Pacific Grove-based nonprofit that finds families for homeless, abused and abandoned pets.

The 2012 gathering also inspired Cavalier owners Emily Randolph and Dan Merchant, who live in Scottsdale, Ariz., to publish a children's book called, "It's a King's Life in Carmel-by-the-Sea" — a nod to the city's reputation for being pet friendly. "They are returning for this year's party and will be holding a book signing at a private site and donating a portion of book sales proceeds to AFRP," McTurk said.

She pointed out that if the city doesn't make her pay the permit fee to hold the party on the beach, AFRP will receive more money.

"I hope the city council will approve this fee waiver fee and join us on Saturday, April 20, and see what all the fun's about," she said.

Barbara Brooks, a Carmel resident and Cavalier owner, said the group always makes a point of leaving the beach in better shape than it was before the party began.

"When we leave that beach after our event, it's clean," she said. "And Janet sends her gardener down there the next day."

Later in the meeting, council members discussed adding McTurk's request to a future agenda so they could vote on whether to waive the permit fees.

Congregation hosts Jewish film festival

THE THIRD annual Jewish Film Festival opens Sunday, March 10, when the documentary, "Hava Nagila," screens at Congregation Beth Israel in Carmel Valley. Showtime is 7:15 p.m.

The festival's lineup — which features films from the United States, Israel, Germany and France — also includes "Noodle" (Tuesday, March 12, at 7:15 p.m.); "Arranged" (Thursday, March 14, at 7:15 p.m.); "The Day I Saw Your Heart" (Saturday, March 16, at 7:30 p.m.); "Strangers No More" and "Beautiful Music" (Sunday, March 17, at 4 p.m.); and "Kaddish for a Friend" (Sunday, March 17, at 7 p.m.).

The festival also features Q&As, dinners and receptions.

Congregation Beth Israel is located at 5716 Carmel Valley Road. Tickets are \$10 to \$12, or \$40 to \$50 for five-ticket packages. Call (831) 624-2015 or visit www.carmelbethisrael.org.

SCOUT WANTS TO FIX SCOUT HOUSE, TOO

By MARY SCHLEY

A MONTH after Dance Kids head Alan Richmond told city officials his nonprofit would like to reopen the Scout House — an historic building at Mission and Eighth that was closed a decade ago due to handicap-access issues — a Boy Scout announced Tuesday that he hopes to repair the building, and in doing so become an Eagle Scout.

Michael Doyle, a Scout in Carmel Valley's Troop 127, addressed council members at their March 5 meeting, telling the history of the building constructed by Scouts in 1931 with donated funds.

"From 1931 until 2003, the Scout House was used by Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, a tango club, the ballet academy and the Friends of Harrison Memorial Library," he said. "The Scout House had become a very important community building."

But in 2003, after an activist took to suing noncompliant businesses in town for violating the Americans with Disabilities Act, the city decided to shut the Scout House because it wasn't wheelchair accessible, and it has remained shuttered since. The city in 2004 entertained the idea of selling or moving the building but ultimately did nothing.

Doyle, however, would like to change that by bringing the building into compliance with the ADA and reopening it, with help and donations from the community.

"My first step in doing this project would be to get per-

mission from the council to go inside the Scout House and inspect it with volunteer architects and engineers," he said. "With the inspection information, I will create a renovation plan and present it as an agenda item at your next council meeting."

Boy Scouts committee member Russ Fletcher said the endeavor has the support of Doyle's troop, but "this will be a boy-led project from his standpoint, so any support the council can give would be appreciated."

His ambitious request — which prompted Mayor Jason Burnett to suggest he take on Flanders Mansion after the Scout House issue is resolved — came a month after Richmond's. The founder of Dance Kids, which stages ballets at the Sunset Center and used the Scout House for rehearsals before it was shut, Richmond proposed embarking on a capital campaign to beautify its grounds and reopen the building for use by the community and the city, which could make money on it by charging rent. Richmond said the project would also make Eighth Avenue safer for pedestrians, since walkways would be installed on the overgrown land around the Scout House.

At the Feb. 5 meeting, Richmond told the council he had contacted an architect, a construction company, city administrator Jason Stilwell and former government officials to solicit their opinions and ideas for the proposal. He had

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The Shops at The Lodge Pebble Beach



Monterey council chooses ‘Wharf Marketplace’

By KELLY NIX

DESPITE OVERWHELMING support from people in the audience to let Cannery Row’s Trailside Cafe become the tenant at Monterey’s historic train depot, the Monterey City Council voted Tuesday in favor of an alternative proposal from agricultural giant Tanimura & Antle.

At a packed meeting Tuesday night, the Monterey City Council voted 3-2 to back T&A’s Wharf Marketplace, a market with vendors selling goods including produce, fresh seafood, artisan breads, wine and baked goods.

Though the council received more than 100 letters of support for Trailside Café to relocate from its current location above Cannery Row to the old Southern Pacific Railroad station at the base of Fisherman’s Wharf, it selected the Wharf Marketplace, which received about 40 letters of support.

“I just want to thank our community for coming out in huge numbers to support our local business,” Trailside Café owner Sean Allen told The Pine Cone Wednesday morning.

Besides moving his restaurant to the train depot, Allen had proposed a visitors center, a retail store featuring photographs and books, surrey bike rentals and other railroad- and Monterey-related items.

Allen’s proposal was the frontrunner when the city’s Waterfront Master Plan Subcommittee met on Feb. 4 recommended to the city council that Trailside Café would be the best business to occupy the train depot at the base of Fisherman’s Wharf.

Councilwoman Nancy Selfridge and councilman Alan Haffa dissented, voting for Allen’s proposal.

While Allen — who would have paid \$4,108 per month to rent the train depot — did not request the city to make landlord improvements to the old building, T&A requested \$226,000 of improvements to the structure, which has been vacant for decades.

Wharf Marketplace will also feature fresh flowers, wine,

a juice bar and other items.

After the February meeting, Allen accused staff at Monterey City Hall of favoritism after they originally told him that only his proposal would go up before the city council for their consideration but later changed course and allowed T&A to submit its proposal, too.

At Tuesday’s meeting, T&A CEO Rick Antle said he believed the Waterfront Master Plan Subcommittee itself was unfairly biased when it chose Allen’s proposal.

Allen said he intends to keep the cafe alive and is considering other locations.”Unless my landlord extends my lease, I have to move,” he said. “[I’m] looking for an equally picturesque location.”

Hotelling to give talk on S.F.B. Morse

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

NEAL HOTELLING, historian for the Pebble Beach Company, will talk about its founder, Samuel F.B. Morse, during a free lecture at The Carmel Foundation Wednesday, March 13, at 2:30 p.m. Hotelling, who has compiled photos and facts for the company’s extensive history books, has been working on a biography of Morse and created a short film interviewing those who knew him.

Born in Newton, Mass., in 1885, Morse graduated from Yale in 1907 and made his way West, where he was eventually hired by the Pacific Improvement Company in 1915 to liquidate its land holdings on the Peninsula. Four years later, he founded Pebble Beach Co., which, among other things, developed what would become one of the world’s best golf courses on land slated to be developed with 400 homes.

“Don’t miss hearing about this fascinating man, whose vision has forever impacted the Monterey Peninsula, with developments not only in Pebble Beach, but also areas of Monterey, Pacific Grove and Carmel,” organizers said, including Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula and local academic institutions.

Also noteworthy about Morse’s life is that his great-granddaughter, Mary Schley, is a reporter for The Pine Cone.

Hotelling’s talk is free and open to the public. Diment Hall is located in The Carmel Foundation building at Lincoln and Eighth. For more information, contact Anne Albano at (831) 620.8705 or email aalbano@carmelfoundation.org.



S.F.B. Morse in the 1940s

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EAGERLY AWAITED BEACH HOUSE RESTAURANT TO OPEN IN APRIL, MANAGER SAYS

By KELLY NIX

WITH THE selection of a chef and general manager, the operators of the new Beach House Restaurant at Lovers Point are gearing up for an April opening.

Kevin Phillips, managing partner for the project, told The Pine Cone Tuesday that construction crews are painting the interior and putting the finishing touches on the floors and walls of the massively renovated building that housed the Old Bath House Restaurant, which closed in 2005 because of ADA access problems.

Though Phillips said the Beach House would be open within a month, he declined to provide an opening date for the restaurant — which had previously projected opening dates in summer and fall 2012.

But the quality of the work being done on the historic building makes it seem likely that the new restaurant will be worth the wait. When the Beach House does finally open its doors, the restaurant will have about 100 indoor seats in a dining room that has a 24-foot-high ceiling and windows that overlook Lovers Point. The building was expanded and its floor space was doubled, and the restaurant is closer to Monterey Bay than the Bath House was.

“It’s been expanded toward the water to capitalize on the

stunning scenery while accommodating more guests,” he said.

There will also be another two dozen patio seats, which will be sheltered from the Pacific breeze with a glass enclosure to allow patrons to sit for long periods of time without enduring chilly weather.

“It was hard to imagine people sitting on the patio at night,” he said. “There is a retractable roof and a heated floor. We wanted to have a goal of using that space every night.”

Phillips’ son, Jeremy Phillips — who has worked at

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PHOTO/KELLY NIX

The building that formerly housed the Old Bath House restaurant in Pacific Grove is all spiffed up and almost ready for its grand reopening as the Beach House restaurant.

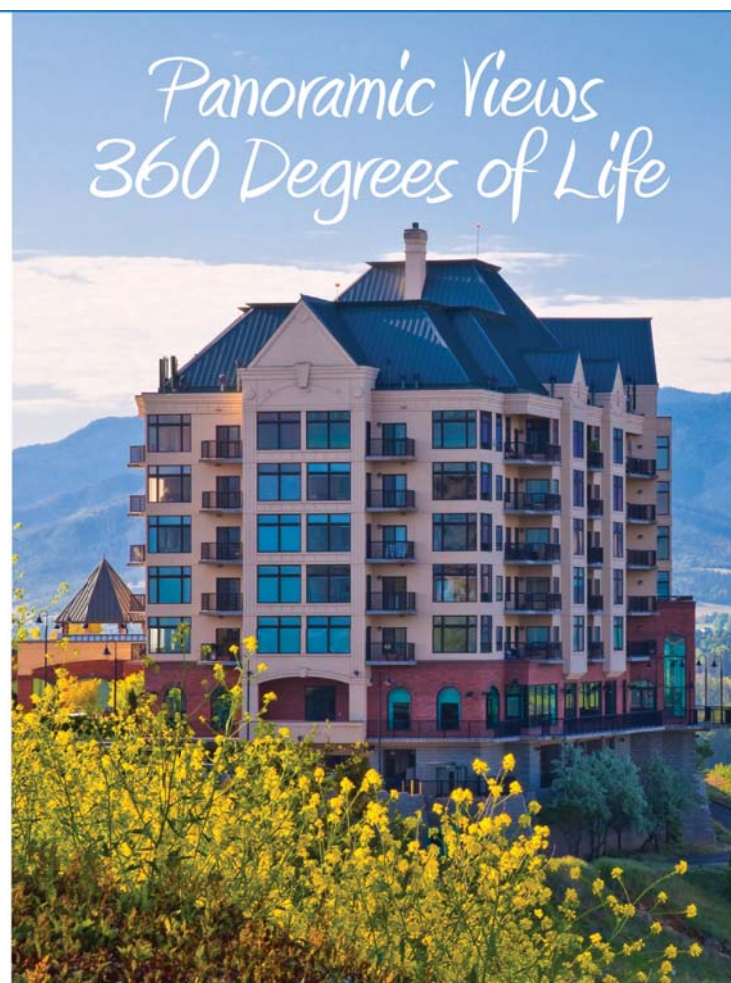


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Ed Ricketts’ life celebrated on the street he loved

By LILY PATTERSON

THOUGH IT bears no repeating, Ed Ricketts is still remembered as much for his pioneering ecological work as for his intimate friendship with literary legend John Steinbeck. Just last summer, Ricketts’ Cannery Row laboratory was illuminated with the lights and technical trappings of a movie set, when a film company came to document tales of the marine biologist as told by one of his closest friends, Frank Wright.

The Pacific Biological Laboratories were once again opened up March 2, when the Cannery Row Foundation offered hourly tours from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in a belated celebration of what would have been Steinbeck’s 111th birthday Feb. 27.

The tours were led by Michael Hemp, president of the Cannery Row Foundation’s board of directors and the author of “Cannery Row: The History of John Steinbeck’s Old Ocean View Avenue.”

In the span of an hour, he and various other members of the foundation, including Wright, contributed a volume of historical context to a stroll around the lab. Though plenty of information about Ricketts and Steinbeck was on the menu, Hemp reminded his small audience “every one of these tours is different. It is very conversational.”

And indeed it was. There was some myth-busting here and there, such as when Hemp revealed that Ricketts was not, in fact, drunk at the time of his death, or when he divulged that the scientist was actually a co-author of “The Log from the Sea of Cortez,” a work which carries Steinbeck name alone.

There were several brief, though very factual digressions, from descriptions of the process of sardine canning, to the story of a local blacksmith, Frank Whitaker, and his role in Steinbeck and Ricketts’s first meeting. Hemp’s ability to answer pointed questions, such as, “Was it a majority of Sicilians working here?” or, “What is a seiner?” demonstrated the full spectrum of his knowledge of mid-20th century Cannery Row.

The tour route started upstairs in the living room, plastered with still vibrant posters and cluttered with dusty books and records. After Hemp’s brief introductory lecture, visitors migrated to the adjacent room.

A few of the aforementioned Cannery Row Foundation members were waiting behind an old bar, ready to address

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Former workers at Pepe’s restaurants file suit

By KELLY NIX

A FEW days after Carmel restaurant owner Rich Pepe filed a lawsuit against two former servers claiming they stole thousands of dollars, two other former workers filed a suit against Pepe’s company, alleging a host of employment violations.

In response, Pepe’s lawyer, Jeanette Witten, said Pepe and wife, Sandra, were out of town but “sad to learn of the suit,” have “enjoyed fantastic relationships with their many employees over the years” and have a “stellar history of paying employees a good wage and being a caring, kind employer who treats their employees like family.”

Witten also said that “it is hard enough for small businesses to be successful here in Monterey County without being dragged into court by people and firms looking to force a business into a situation where it is cheaper to settle than fight to defend itself.”

In a suit filed March 1, former server and hostess Carolyne Geisler and former bartender Brick Woytek — both of whom said they worked at several of Pepe’s Carmel restaurants — allege breach of contract, non-payment of wages, failure to pay overtime or provide rest and meal breaks, and other violations.

Their lawsuit, which was filed in Monterey County Superior Court, targets Pepe’s company, Tosh Pepe West, Inc.

Geisler and Woytek interchangeably worked at Little Napoli, Vino Napoli and Vesuvio restaurants in Carmel, according to the suit, which was filed by Monterey attorney Christopher Panetta, the son of former U.S. Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta.

Geisler was paid \$8 per hour when she was hired in March 2010 and was told she would earn \$12 per hour in December 2010, according to the suit. Woytek, who also worked as a painter in the restaurants, began his employment in April 2011 and was told he would make \$15 per hour. In September 2011, he was told he would make \$18 per hour.

Their suit alleges Pepe failed to pay them “the agreed upon hourly wage for all hours worked,” and did not pay overtime. Furthermore, the former workers claim they had to contribute “an unreasonable portion” of their tips to a mandated gratuity pool, and that their employer refused to give them information on how the tip pool was structured, and “how and why tips were distributed from the pool.”

Geisler, who said she quit working at Pepe’s restaurants in December 2011, and Woytek, who quit in April 2012, are seeking damages and a court order to prevent Pepe’s company from mandating “illegal gratuity pools in the future.”

But Witten also said the following: “Among other claims that we wholeheartedly dispute after our careful review of Ms. Geisler’s payroll records [is that] Ms. Geisler is claiming she was not offered breaks. In light of the Pepes’ employment policies and recent California Supreme Court decisions, these claims are meritless. Furthermore, it is my understanding that her former co-workers will testify that Ms. Geisler, who was a smoker when she worked for the Pepes, took her breaks, and she took them often. In addition, the Pepes feed their employees while they are on the job — employees take

their normal breaks, and if they wish, they sit down for a meal on the house as well.”

She also said Woytek’s participation in the suit is “a real mystery, because he contacted Mr. Pepe a few weeks ago to tell Mr. Pepe that Ms. Geisler was lobbying Mr. Woytek and as many other employees and former employees as she could drum up to join her in bringing employment claims against the Pepes. Mr. Woytek told Mr. Pepe that Mr. Woytek wanted no part of such a lawsuit and that he wanted to give Mr. Pepe a heads up on the matter out of his respect for the Pepes and all they had done for him over the years. The Pepes were disappointed that Mr. Woytek’s respect and gratitude were so easily overcome by the illusion of easy money.”

Geisler and Woytek’s claim follows a Feb. 26 lawsuit that Pepe International Inc. filed against former Little Napoli restaurant servers Jennifer Menke and Laura Brown, accusing them of taking more than \$30,000 by pocketing the money when customers paid for their bill using cash.



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A Funeral Mass was held at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Carmel Valley on March 2.

Thursday’s Highway 68 crash notwithstanding, county fatality rates drop

By MARY SCHLEY

DESPITE THE head-on collision that killed a Monterey woman Thursday and sent two others to the hospital with serious injuries, fatal crashes in Monterey County in 2012 were their lowest in 20 years, according to statistics released by the California Highway Patrol last month, and public information officer Bob Lehman attributed the decline to better driver education, safer roads and increased enforcement.

In 2012, 29 people died in 29 collisions, compared with a high of 87 deaths in 65 accidents in 2004. Last year’s totals are even significantly down from 2011, which saw 49 people killed in 44 wrecks.

During most of the past 20 years, deaths in traffic accidents in Monterey County totaled between 35 and 70 annually, with the majority numbering in the 40s and 50s.

While the laws of probability probably played a role, Lehman said increased enforcement and stricter laws, including

seat-belt requirements and more severe punishment for driving under the influence, deserve the credit.

Tax dollars from state and federal agencies have paid for overtime, allowing more officers on the streets for concentrated efforts like increased DUI checkpoints and patrols, and officers from different agencies recently began working together to cite drivers in problem areas where violations often occur.

“Those enforcement details go a long way in sending messages and setting a precedent,” Lehman said. The fact that motorists now use their cell phones to report possible drunks and other reckless drivers also helps.

In addition, the CHP and others have undertaken ongoing and prolific public education programs, from using electronic billboards on highways and media blitzes, to holding classes for teenage drivers and their parents. “Motorists are making better decisions,” he said.

“Also, Monterey County has been fortu-

nate enough to see several engineering projects that improve safety,” Lehman continued, such as the massive safety improvements under way on Highway 101 in the Prunedale Corridor, the new interchange at Highway 1 and Salinas Road north of Moss Landing, and the rumble strips and center

medians on highways 156 and 68.

“In 2004, we had a huge spike in fatalities, and a lot of those were in South Monterey County on 101, where we were getting a lot of crossover-type head-ons,” he said. “And

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Carmel ~ Clive Hedley Rayne, 83, prominent businessman and distinguished long-time Carmel resident died Monday, February 25th at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, lovingly surrounded by his family.

Clive Rayne was born in Wimbledon, Surrey, England on August 30th, 1929 and moved to California with his parents and older brother, Derek, in 1937. Arriving in Carmel in 1940, Clive attended Sunset School and Carmel High, graduating from the newly built school in 1944.



After attending Hartnell College, Clive entered directly into the family clothing business, Derek Rayne, Ltd., which his father Charles and brother Derek established in 1943. (Retail clothing was a family tradition. Charles was a partner in the H. & M. Rayne Shoe Co. in London, with cousin Edward knighted as “Shoemaker to the Queen”.) Clive and Derek continued as partners until they retired in 1995, closing the landmark men’s and ladies’ clothing store after more than fifty years—the oldest established retail store on Ocean Ave.

Clive was proud to have served an impressive list of local customers and many notables, including Marilyn Monroe, Red Skelton, the King of Spain, and Salvador Dali.

Mr. Rayne served as a member of the local National Guard Unit, the Carmel Business Association, Monterey Peninsula Flycasters, and the Carmel River Steelhead Association. He was a loyal supporter of numerous community organizations.

Clive was a consummate gentleman with discerning taste, always impeccably dressed, an avid reader with an affable nature and quick wit. He enjoyed the out-of-doors, was a passionate fly-fisherman and adventuresome traveler, fishing extensively in California and the western states, as well as such exotic locales as Costa Rica, New Zealand and Christmas Island.

Clive was devoted to his family and is survived by: his wife of thirty-seven years, Kathryn (Kate); daughter Shelley and her husband Gilbert Mercadal of Monterey; daughter Melinda and her husband John Logsdon of Grass Valley, CA; son Trevor Rayne and his wife Jan of Mokelumne Hill, CA; stepson Kevin Huston and his wife Marilyn of Carmel; stepson Kit Huston and his wife Claire of Cobb, CA; stepdaughters Krissy Huston of Carmel and Kami Huston of Kelseyville, CA; ten grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; sister-in-law Gerda Rayne; and long-time family companion, Evelyn Goldsmith.



A private burial was held in Pacific Grove on March 1, 2013, with a public celebration of Clive’s life to be held at 2:00pm on Saturday, March 23rd at the Carmel Women's Club, San Carlos & Ninth Sts. in Carmel.

Memorial contributions may be made in Clive's name to the Carmel Red Cross, PO Box AR, Carmel, 93921, Harrison Memorial Library, PO Box 800, Carmel, 93921 or Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, PO Box HH, Monterey, 93941.

Public comment sought on coastal trail’s route

A FOOTPATH that could one day stretch from Mexico to Oregon, the California Coastal Trail, will be the subject of community meeting scheduled Saturday, March 16, at the Big Sur Lodge Conference Center.

In 2001, state legislators called for the completion of an ambitious 1,200-mile recreational trail that will travel the length of California’s coastline. The California State Coastal Conservancy has been tasked with determining precisely where the trail will go. Because it has steep mountains and a lot of private property along its coastline, Big Sur presents a variety of challenges for the trail’s planners.

The aim of Saturday’s meeting is to report on the progress of local meetings on the subject, as well as open the dialogue to a broader audience. State Sen. Bill Monning will participate. The meeting starts at 10 a.m. The conference center is located inside Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park about 26 miles south of Carmel. Visit www.californiacoastaltrail.info.

MISSION

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Construction, “is moving forward on schedule and under budget,” Grabrian said.

But that doesn’t mean the work is done. Phase 2 of the restoration, which he described as “finishing touches,” includes repair of the Basilica’s exterior walls, towers and Moorish dome; restoration of the wood rafter tails, lintels and doors; upgrades to the mechanical, electrical, radiant heating and fire-protection systems; new lighting and chandeliers; and compliance with ADA requirements for doors, ramps and railings, all at an estimated cost of \$2.2 million.

While the foundation originally planned to begin raising that chunk of money after the seismic work was done, its board realized that would take another couple of years, during which the costs would likely rise, so the group decided to undertake Phase 2 now and try to raise the money for it quickly.

“Last December, we determined that, if we could perform the Part 2 ‘finishing touches’ work at the same time as we were doing the seismic retrofit, we could save over \$1 mil-

lion,” Grabrian said, by using the same scaffolding and contractor already on site for the first phase.

He announced this week that the foundation succeeded in raising most of the million dollars it needed by the end of January, “primarily through the most generous support of some of the foundation’s major donors,” including an anonymous giver who offered a \$350,000 challenge grant.

Depending on the weather and cash, Grabrian said all of the work, including the final touches, could be done by the end of April.

“We still need to raises a few hundred thousand over the next couple of months,” he said. “We would most appreciate any help to complete the restoration of this historical treasure!”

To help, visit www.carmelmissionfoundation.org.

RESCUE

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“We brought the boat in, but it was too rocky for the boat,” he said, adding that the tide was coming in. “So we set up a low-angle rope rescue.”

It’s not often that firefighters have to rescue people on private property, and their efforts were complicated by the abundance of brush and the steepness of the hillside, as well as the rising tide, but the entire ordeal took less than an hour, according to Acosta.

“It was challenging but very doable,” he said. “The guys did a good job of packaging him up and getting him up there.”

Because he was in considerable pain, the man was taken to Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula by Carmel Fire Ambulance for treatment of his injuries, according to Acosta.

Trash Talk

Carmel’s got a bag ban — and lessons learned from Monterey

By THE MONTEREY REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

THIS MONTH, Carmel shoppers may have noticed the absence of the plastic shopping bag in accordance with a new city ordinance. While some are inspired, and others irritated, results from nearby bag-less communities show a drastic reduction in plastic litter and a spike in reusable bag toting.

The Carmel plastic bag ban for retail stores took effect Feb. 3. Exceptions to the ban are bags used to transport bulk foods to the point of sale, prescription medications, and bags used to segregate food. Exempt businesses are restaurants in which food prepared on premises accounts for 90 percent of sales, as well as nonprofits receiving more than 50 percent of sales from donated goods or materials for reuse. For businesses not in compliance, the city can issue warnings or fines.

Unlike the bag ban in the City of Monterey, Carmel isn’t requiring merchants to charge for paper bags. The Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce unsurprisingly finds most people like the idea of protecting the environment through decreased plastic use; however, many grumble about the now 25 cent-per-paper-bag charge in Monterey, despite its effectiveness in encouraging reusable bags.

“Cities have different bag standards,” said Jody Hansen, CEO and president of the chamber of commerce, adding that “some businesses also get confused while trying to account for the fee, and others assume it goes back to the government.” In Monterey, the bag revenue stays with the retailer to cover the cost of paper bags, as state law prohibits local jurisdictions from collecting bag fees either directly or indirectly.

According to Monta Potter, CEO of the Carmel Chamber, it is too early to get an overall response from the business community on the effects of and reaction to the bag ban. Patrick Schrady of, Nielsen Bros. Market in downtown Carmel noted that his customers have been very receptive to the plastic bag ban and that reusable bag use and sales have been up despite the lack of a paper-bag fee.

Yet what some see as a sacrifice has already been paying off for the environment. The nonprofit Save Our Shores, which conducts more than 200 beach cleanups per year, has seen a 45 percent decrease in plastic bag litter in Monterey, and a 58 percent decrease in Santa Cruz some nine months after its bag ban. In Santa Cruz, Save Our Shores tabulated 10 percent of customers carrying reusable bags before the bag ban, while 80 percent brought reusable bags or took no bag at all just 30 days after the ban took effect.

In the wake of the Carmel ban, this is a trend we hope to see on the south side of the Monterey Peninsula as well.

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Big Sur singer-songwriter debuts new disc with release party

By CHRIS COUNTS

CELEBRATING THE release of his third recording, “Surf Country,” Big Sur singer-songwriter **Levi Strom** takes the stage Friday, March 8, at the Pierce Ranch Vineyards Tasting Room in Monterey.

With Strom’s heartfelt and slightly off-key vocals leading the way, the new disc features a laid-back mix of California rock, folk, country and blues that serves as a perfect soundtrack for a drive down the coast. The recording follows up his last release, 2011’s “The Lone Wolf.”

“It’s a mix of newer and older songs, and it’s even more country than my last record,” Strom told The Pine Cone.

Opening for Strom will be **Sparrow’s**



Singer-songwriter Levi Strom of Big Sur unveils his latest recording, “Surf Country,” Friday, March 8, at the Pierce Ranch Vineyards Tasting Room.

Gate, an Atascadero band that also backs him up on the new CD. He recorded the new disc in the band’s studio in rural San Luis Obispo County.

“They’re a really amazing country-rock band,” Strom said. “I’ve been friends and fans of theirs for years, and we’ve always talked about doing something together. They invited me down, and we recorded the album in a couple days.”

The music starts at 8:30 p.m. and tickets are \$8. The Pierce Ranch Vineyards Tasting Room is located at 499 Wave St. Call (831) 372-8900 or visit www.piercevineyards.com.

Earlier Friday, Strom and his girlfriend, Julie Carr, offer a free “teaser concert” at Recycled Records in Monterey. The show starts at 1 p.m., and the record store is located at 604 Lighthouse Ave. (831) 375-5454.

■ Two operas for the price of one

The Carmel Music Society is offering two operas — one comic and the other tragic — for the price of one Sunday, March 10, at Sunset Center.

The event showcases the talents of nine singers who are resident artists for **Opera San Jose**, which has earned a reputation for developing emerging opera singers.

Peter Tuff, executive director of the Carmel Music Society, said he’s particularly looking forward to hearing **Nicole Birkland**, who has drawn raves for her voice and skill. “She has been singled out as a *tour de force* and a singer people will want to hear,” Tuff said.

Tuff said local opera enthusiasts will be treated to a memorable afternoon.

Birkland and her fellow singers will present Verdi’s dramatic *Il Trovatore* and Johann Strauss’s lighthearted *Die Fledermaus*. The

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Photographer lifts veil off Cuba

By CHRIS COUNTS

JUST A half-hour plane ride from the United States, Cuba seems a world away. But thanks to an exhibit by Carmel photographer **Michael McClure** opening Friday, March 8, at Sunset Center’s Marjorie Evans Gallery, the politically and economically isolated Caribbean island moves a little closer to home.

Featuring 22 large images depicting day-to-day life in Cuba, “Awakening from the Past” contains a collection of photographs captured by McClure when he traveled there in December 2011.

McClure, who visited communist Russia as a college student in the 1960s, wanted to witness life on the island, where access and trade has limited since the 1959 revolution.

“I wanted to see what socialism was like,” said McClure, a retired management consultant, investment banker and entrepreneur.

In Cuba, McClure observed the pros and cons of the island’s communist policies.

“They have reasonably good education, and everyone has access to health care,” he explained. “But what surprised me most was the amount of theft that goes on there. All the windows have bars on them. Thievery is pretty rampant.”

McClure told The Pine Cone he discovered two distinct classes of people when he visited the country. It turns out that Cuba’s

middle class is dependent on the generosity of people who don’t live there.

“There are those who have outsiders sending them money, and there are those who don’t have such support,” he explained.

One of the most distinctive traits of life in Cuba is the number of old American cars on the road. Tens of thousands of gas guzzling vehicles from the 1940s and 1950s are still in use, in large part because of the ingenuity of Cuban auto mechanics, who are capable of turning just about anything into a car part.

“Havana is the world’s greatest living museum of old American cars,” McClure explained.

The cars are typically painted with bright colors. “They have a limited spectrum of paint available,” he observed. “In particular, they must have a lot of green paint.”

The downside of having so many classic cars on the road is the smog they generate.

“Obviously, there’s no smog check,” McClure said. “If I told them we had to pay a fee to smog our cars, they would have no idea what I was talking about.”

McClure found himself captivated by many aspects of Cuban culture — from the elegant architecture of old Havana, to the beats and rhythms of the island’s rich musical traditions. But perhaps more than anything, McClure was charmed by the people

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Photographer Michael McClure offers a glimpse of Cuba — including some colorful remnants of its colonial past — in an exhibit opening Friday, March 8, at Sunset Center’s Marjorie Evans Gallery. McClure says Havana is “the world’s greatest living museum of old American cars.”

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Buses to Drummond, wine crawl through town, and a symphony mystery dinner

By MARY SCHLEY

IN ORDER to attract more “real customers” to their restaurant at Rancho Cielo in Salinas, officials at the Drummond Culinary Academy — where troubled kids learn useful skills in the culinary field — are offering shuttle rides from Carmel to the Salinas campus.

“We know that the distance may be an inhibitor to some hoping to patronize our fine establishment,” observed Rancho Cielo executive director Susie Brusa, so the non-profit is experimenting with offering shuttles that pick up customers at 5:30 p.m. in Carmel and then return no later than 8:30 p.m., for \$10 per seat. Upcoming buses are scheduled for March 15 and 22, April 19 and May 17.

The service allows patrons plenty of time to savor the student-prepared three-course prix-fixe menu, created in the academy’s commercial kitchen under the guidance of executive chef Paul Lee and chef Arlene Mead.

“Serving ‘real customers’ is the best way to prepare our students for successful careers in Monterey County’s hospitality industry,” according to the academy. “Our goal is to train at-risk youth in the Salinas and Monterey County area in a work environment that is conducive to learning, where they feel challenged, respected and accountable. Our ultimate

desire is to prepare culinary academy students to become qualified to work in commercial restaurants.”

The dining room is open every Friday, with seatings available between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m., and the cost runs \$24 to \$30, including service. A sample menu includes a choice of salad — Caesar, Salinas Valley field greens with cranberries and apples, or The Wedge — followed by an entrée choice of grilled Angus strip loin with BBQ butter, potatoes and vegetables; mustard-and-dill-marinated Coho salmon with wild rice pilaf and sautéed vegetables; chicken picatta with roasted potatoes and vegetables; or pasta pomodoro with Italian sausage, vegetables and Asiago cheese. Vegetarian and gluten-free options are available, too. Dessert choices are flourless chocolate cake, freeform apple pie, or lime and white chocolate tart. Wine and beer are sold at retail prices.

Reservations for the restaurant, as well as seats on the shuttle, are required. Call (831) 444-3521.

■ Chamber wine crawl

To promote its Carmel Wine Walk-by-the-Sea, the Carmel Chamber of Commerce will host its annual Wine Crawl Mixer Wednesday, March 20, from 5 to 7 p.m., at a cost of \$10 for chamber members and \$20 for everyone else.

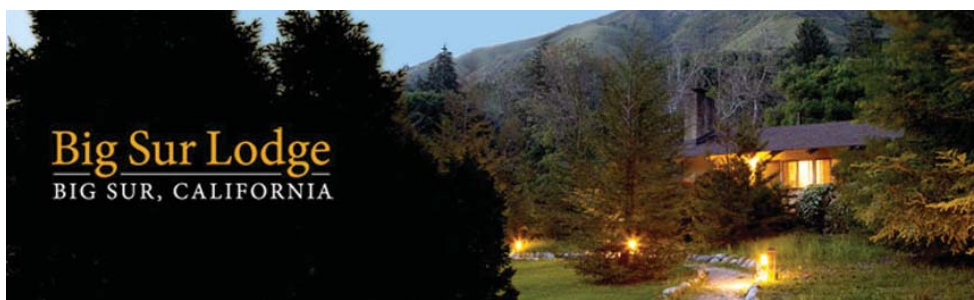
The crawl will start at the chamber’s visitor center on San Carlos between Fifth and Sixth, from which participants will be able to sample wines at five of the 10 tasting rooms that participate in the Wine Walk-by-the-Sea. Choose from

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Logan Moya, 7-going-on-8, set up shop outside her mom’s house on Monte Verde Street to sell lemonade and homemade cupcakes (gluten free) to raise money for a gecko. At the end of the day, she made \$29. Her new gecko is named Rango. At right, Nick shows pride in an apple peel in the kitchen at Drummond Culinary Academy.

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■ Symphony mystery dinner

“A Flight to Nowhere,” a mystery play by Tony Seton, is the theme for the Monterey Symphony’s 4th Annual Mystery Dinner Sunday, March 10, in the InterContinental the Clement Monterey Hotel at 750 Cannery Row.

The two-act play has detective Francie LeVillard seeking the truth “in this spellbinding tale of greed, lust and sabotage,” following the death of a public figure in a plane crash. Was it his lawyer, his accountant, his secretary or his wife?

Directed by Marti Myszak, the play also includes several restaurateurs in cameo roles, including Greg Profeta from The Forge in the Forest, Tobias Peach from Restaurant 1833, Christian Pepe from Vesuvio, Jonathan Bagley from The Cypress Inn and Ted Balestreri, Jr. from The Sardine Factory.

Cocktails are at 5, followed by dinner at 6, and proceeds will benefit the Monterey Symphony. Tickets range from \$100 to \$175, a portion of which is tax deductible. Overnight package are available at the hotel, too. To purchase, call (831) 645-1127 or visit www.montereysymphony.org/special-events.

■ Pessagno at Paluca

Pessagno Winery will star during a wine dinner at Paluca Trattoria on Fisherman’s Wharf Friday, March 8.

Named for owner Sal Tedesco’s sons, Paolo and Luca, Paluca is an informal trattoria that specializes in Italian classics and Fisherman’s Wharf favorites. A sneak peek at Friday’s menu reveals a crab appetizer, oysters with Riesling

mignonette, shrimp and pancetta, mixed greens in a Meyer lemon vinaigrette, baked cannelloni and braised short ribs.

The cost is \$60 per person. Call (831) 373-5559 to reserve.

■ Mondays for MEarth

Hula’s Island Grill on Lighthouse Avenue in Monterey is donating 10 percent of its gross receipts every Monday night in March to the nonprofit MEarth habitat project at Carmel Middle School. The restaurant’s Mahalo Mondays benefit a different charity each month.

Featuring an extensive garden, outdoor kitchen, green classrooms and other amenities available to CMS kids and students from other Monterey Peninsula schools, the habitat project helps them learn about their environment, food and plant cultivation, green sciences and cooking.

Hula’s is located at 622 Lighthouse Ave. in Monterey and features tropical fare and inspired cocktails, including ahi poke, habañero chicken tacos, spicy edamame, sweet potato fries, burgers — and really good mai tais. www.hulastiki.com

■ Service excellence

Expert Eric Weiss hopes to transform local food service and hospitality during his March 14-20 Service Excellence Workshop Series at La Playa Carmel and the Cypress Inn. The program is divided into a two-day session for restaurants and winery tasting rooms March 14-15, a two-day session for hotels March 18-19, and a final day, March 20, for management in all sectors.

Workshop themes for hospitality workers include “Why ‘Good’ Service is no longer Good Enough,” “The Specific Details between ‘Good’ and ‘Excellent’ Service,” “Establishing Credibility, Building Trust and Ensuring the Guest’s Return,” “Learning how to better Remember Names and Faces,” “The Differences between Suggesting, Recommending and Coaching the Guest to Buy,” “Creating a

More Cohesive Team,” “Developing Training Techniques that Lead to more Consistent Service,” “Becoming a more Effective Questioner and Creating a Relevant and Distinctive Service Culture,” and “Learning how to Read Each Guest and Respond Accordingly.”

Meanwhile, workshop themes for the wine industry will focus on “Demystifying Wines for Tasters and Staff Alike,” “Provenance, Poise and Personalized Service,” “Language, both Verbal and Non — How They Play out in the Tasting Room,” “The Differences between Suggesting, Recommending and Coaching the Guest to Buy” and other topics.

The fee for the two-day programs (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.) is \$225 per participant, or \$325 for the three-day program for management participants. The cost includes lunch each day. To purchase tickets, visit <http://serviceexcellencecitywide.eventbrite.com/#>.

■ Rio Grill School

The Rio Grill’s first Flavor Education Series class of the year will be held Saturday, March 23, from noon to 2 p.m., when fishmonger Robbie Torrise of Ocean Fresh Seafood

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operas will be sung in their original languages — German and Italian, respectively — with a narrator translating the details in English.

“There are love stories in each of these operas,” Tuff added. “We expect this to be a beautiful event with lovely costumes.”

The performance begins at 3 p.m. David Gordon presents a free pre-concert talk at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$48 and \$60. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. Call (831) 625-9938 or visit www.carmel-music.org.

■ Worth the drive

Way down the coast, but definitely worth the scenic drive, is a performance Monday, March 11, by singer-songwriters **Alisa Fineman** and **Kimball Hurd** at Treebones Resort in Big Sur.

A one-of-kind getaway that houses its guests in yurts — round fabric structures invented a millennium ago by nomadic Mongolian herdsman — Treebones is also one of Monterey County’s most distinctive live music venues.

Fineman and Hurd will play in the resort’s dining lodge.

“It’s a spacious round room that looks out over the ocean,” said Fineman, who launched her musical career 24 years ago when she lived in Big Sur. “It’s cozy, it’s intimate, it has nice acoustics, and you smell the aroma of what’s cooking in the kitchen. The audience is a great mix of locals and travelers

from all over the world. It’s a lovely place to play.”

A one time member of the trio, City Folk, Hurd is skilled at playing an impressive array of acoustic instruments.

Treebones is located just off Highway 1, about 65 miles south of Carmel. The music starts at 6:30 p.m. and there’s no cover. Call (877) 424-4787.

■ Los Lonely Boys’ new date

Originally scheduled for March 5 at Sunset Center, a concert by **Los Lonely Boys** has been postponed to Sept. 4. Last week’s concert was canceled after lead singer **Henry Garza** was injured Feb. 28 and hospitalized with a back injury.

“Thank you all for understanding this unfortunate circumstance,” Sunset Center’s Natalie Hall said to ticket holders. “We wish Mr. Garza a speedy recovery.”

Call (831) 620-2048 or visit www.sunset-center.org.

■ Organists play for new organ

Performing on the church’s well used organ, **Clay Couri** and **Richard Wilson** present a benefit concert Saturday, March 9, at All Saints Episcopal Church. Proceeds from the performance will help replace the organ, which was installed 26 years ago.

Starting at 7 p.m., the two organists will play a mix of classical sacred music. Donations will be accepted at the door. The church is located at Dolores and Ninth. Call (831) 624-3883 or visit www.allsaintscarmel.org.

■ Live music roundup

Backed by a trio of jazz musicians, singer and **Overtone** member **Emile Welman** takes the stage Saturday, March 9, at Mission Ranch. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$24 at the door. A limited number of premium seats — which include a meet and greet — are \$50. The show starts at 8 p.m.

Pianist **Madeline Edstrom** leads a sing-along of jazz and pop tunes Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 8-10, also at the ranch. And pianist **Gennady Loktionov** leads a sing-along Monday through Thursday, March 11-14, at the same venue. The music begins at 8 p.m. and there’s no cover. Mission Ranch is located at 26270 Dolores St. Call (831) 624-6436.

Accompanied by Loktionov on piano, singer **Debbie Davis** presents a cabaret show Friday and Saturday, March 8-9, at the Cypress Inn. The show starts at 7 p.m. Classical guitarist **Richard Devinck** plays there Sunday, March 10. The music begins at 5 p.m. There’s no cover for any of the performances. The Cypress Inn is located on the corner of Lincoln and Seventh. Call (831) 624-3871.

The Flying Dutchman — also known as **Jan Meere** — brings traditional European and contemporary American music Friday, March 8, to Lugano Swiss Bistro. There’s no cover, and the music starts at 6:30 p.m. The

restaurant is located in The Barnyard. Call (831) 626-3779.

The Wharf Rats play classic rock Friday, March 8, at the Carmel Mission Inn’s Fuse Lounge. The following night — Saturday, March 9 — **Dino Vera** plays blues and jazz at the same venue. Both shows start at 9 p.m. and there’s no cover. The Fuse Lounge is located at 3665 Rio Road. Call (831) 624-1841.

Singer **Sasha Landry** and seven-string guitarist **Bob Burnett** plays jazz Friday, March 8, at Plaza Linda restaurant in Carmel Valley Village. The next night — Saturday, March 9 — **Scarlett Road** plays bluegrass on the same stage. Both shows start at 7 p.m. and there’s a \$10 cover. The restaurant is located at 27 E. Carmel Valley Road. Call (831) 659-4229.

Singer-songwriter **Mikey Selbicky** performs Friday, March 8 at the Big Sur Taphouse. The following evening — Saturday, March 9 — singer-songwriter **Lily Lemon** returns to Big Sur newest live music venue. Both shows start at 8 p.m. and there’s no cover. The Tap House is located on Highway 1 27 miles south of Carmel. Call 667-2225.

Jonah and the Whale Watchers play reggae Saturday, March 9, at Fernwood Resort in Big Sur. The music begins at 9 p.m. and there’s no cover. Fernwood is located on Highway 1 about 25 miles south of Carmel.

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ART

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of Cuba.

“They’re terrifically friendly people,” he recalled. “I’m really intrigued by them and what their lives are like.”

The photographer said he looks forward to visiting Cuba again — and he’s optimistic about its future. “After more than half a century locked in a time warp,” he added, “Cuba appears to be awakening to the realities of the 21st century.”

Besides the impending political exits of Fidel Castro and his brother, Raul, the country’s politics face even more upheaval with the death this week of Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez, who has been a staunch anti-American ally and who supported the Cuban economy will plenty of free oil.

McClure’s photographs will be sold in a silent auction, and the proceeds will benefit Sunset Center’s various programs.

The gallery hosts a reception March 8 from 5 to 7 p.m. The exhibit will be on display through the end of the month. Sunset

Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth.

■ Photography in motion

While the aim of a photographer is often to stop action, an exhibit opening Saturday, March 9, at the Center for Photographic Art showcases two artists who strive to capture motion.

The show, “In Motion,” features images by **Hal Eastman** and **Jim Kasson**.

An Idaho resident who maintains a Carmel studio, Eastman uses a variety of innovative camera and printing techniques to portray dancers in action. A retired electrical engineer and Carmel Valley resident, Kasson presents a striking collection of figures set against the backdrop of a city. Each display presents a creative mix of traditional and contemporary photographic techniques.

“What both of these gentlemen really show is that you can be open to new ideas, and at the same time honor the traditions of photography,” explained Nicole Garzino, executive director of the nonprofit photography group. “All of these images are about the photographer being able to play with the

camera’s ability and see what happens. Exhibits like these open people’s minds to new ways of viewing photography — and new ways of seeing the world around them.”

The exhibit is curated by Marty Manson and Ilene Tuttle, and continues through April 27. The gallery hosts a reception from 4 to 6 p.m. A free talk by Eastman and Kasson precedes the event at 3 p.m. The gallery is located inside Sunset Center at San Carlos and Ninth. Call (831) 625-5181 or visit www.photography.org.

■ Coming home

The cattle of Big Sur’s majestic El Sur Ranch serve as inspiration for an exhibit, “The Cows Come Home,” by Carmel painter **Daria Shachmu** opening Saturday, March 9, at the Carmel Art Association.

“I love these cattle,” Shachmu said. “No

two look alike, and each one has a unique personality.”

With her brush and palette of oils, the artist seeks to capture each animal’s temperament.

Also opening Saturday are shows by oil painters **Jan Wagstaff** and **Richard Tette**. Wagstaff explores natural bodies of water, while Tette examines local landscapes.

The gallery hosts a reception at 6 p.m. The exhibits will be on display through the end of the month.

Also, the art association is seeking new members. Applicants are required to live within 35 miles of Carmel and to have exhibited their work in at least one juried competition and gallery exhibit. A \$35 fee is required.

The gallery is located on the west side of Dolores between Fifth and Sixth. Call (831) 624-6176 or visit www.carmelart.org.

FOOD

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discusses Monterey Bay fresh catches over a three-course lunch created by chef Cy Yontz paired with specialty cocktails. A goodie bag for each guest will contain secret seasonings from Yontz, among other gifts.

The cost is \$65, including tax and tip, and reservations are required. For more information or to sign up, call (831) 625-5436 or visit www.riogrill.com. The Rio Grill is located in the Crossroads shopping center.

■ Cafe Ariana’s discounts

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■ Valley rallies for AFRP

Homeless dogs and cats will benefit from a fundraiser jointly presented by Paradise Catering and Cima Collina Wines to support the Animal Friends Rescue Project Sunday, March 24, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in the Cima Collina tasting room at 19 East Carmel Valley Road in the Village.

Paradise Catering co-owners Jon Kasky

and Nancy Rohan, who live and work in the Village — growing much of the produce they use in their cooking — will provide small bites during the fundraiser, to be complemented by Cima Collina wines.

Participants are welcome to bring their pets (who will enjoy the free dog biscuits), and AFRP will bring adoptable dogs. The cost to is \$25 per person, and an RSVP is required. Visit www.animalfriendsrescue.org or call (831) 333-0722 to purchase tickets.

■ Chart House HH

Available in the bar Sunday through Friday from 4:30 to 7 p.m., Happy Hour at the Chart House on Cannery Row offers deals on drinks and snacks, including \$4 bruschetta, trio of hummus, and spinach-artichoke dip; \$5 firecracker shrimp, calamari and ahi nachos; and \$6 prime rib sliders, fish tacos and steamed mussels.

Special cocktails are \$7 martinis — the Chart House Cosmopolitan, Apple Cosmo, Tuaca Lemon Drop, Mocha-Tini and Pomegranate Tini — and \$6 cocktails: Mango Mojito, Pomegranate Mojito, Agave Nectar-Rita, Fleur d’Lis and Willie Mary. Wines by the glass, available for \$5 apiece, are Trapiche ‘Oak Cask’ Chardonnay, Chateau Ste. Michelle Riesling, Beringer White Zinfandel, L de Lyeth Cabernet Sauvignon and Dynamite Merlot.

Well vodka, gin, rum, tequila, bourbon and Scotch are \$4. Bottled beers available for \$3.50 include Fat Tire, Michelob Ultra, Sierra Nevada Pale Ale, Dos Equis Lager, Mammoth Brewing Co. amber and pilsner, Heineken and Corona, while Miller Lite, Bud Light and Coors Light are \$2.50 per bottle.

The Chart House is located at 444 Cannery Row in Monterey. Visit www.chart-house.com to learn more.

Lehman acknowledged the importance of making good decisions and said, as long as drivers do, the fatality rate should drop.

“Everybody has to make good choices,” he said. “As long as we keep doing that, I think we’ll continue to see the numbers decline.”

Home and garden expo in Monterey

SEMINARS ON water use and innovative home design, live demonstrations by local chefs, displays and information from more than 100 home and garden professionals, and charity and garden-club exhibits are set to take place during the 2013 Spring Monterey Home & Garden Expo Saturday and Sunday, March 9-10, at the Monterey County Fairgrounds.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Enter at Gate 3 at 2004 Fairgrounds Road in Monterey, where parking is free. For a full lineup of demonstrations, talks and presentations, visit www.montereycountyhomeshow.com.

FATALITIES

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Caltrans put in center medians. As we’re seeing hazardous areas, we’re able to address them.”

Those rumble strips on Highway 68, however, didn’t prevent 55-year-old Karyn Stevens of Monterey from crossing the centerline just west of York Road in her Subaru Forrester while driving westbound the morning of March 7. She struck an AT&T utility truck, causing it to overturn, and then ran head-on into a Chrysler 200. Stevens was ejected from her vehicle and was taken to Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, where she was pronounced dead, according to Monterey Police Lt. Leslie Sonne. The female Chrysler driver was taken to Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital with moderate to severe injuries, while the male who was driving the AT&T truck was taken to Natividad with minor to moderate injuries. Sonne would not release their names and had no information on their conditions. The highway reopened around 2 p.m.

While police don’t yet know what caused Stevens to cross into oncoming traffic,

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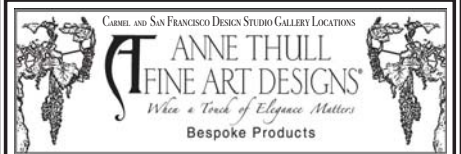
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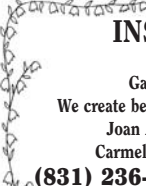
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OUTINGS

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The Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District is best known for managing a network of local parks with free access. But the agency is also making efforts to introduce the county's youngest residents — many of whom are Hispanic and come from families that crossed the border illegally — to the region's wildlands and the plants and animals they support.

The Ventana Wilderness Alliance has drawn praise for its volunteer efforts to help maintain Big Sur's vast network of hiking trails. The nonprofit group is also reaching out to disadvantaged youngsters — many of whom have never been on a hike before — by organizing field trips to Big Sur's wilderness areas.

The leaders of both the park agency and the volunteer trail group are coming to the realization that it's essential that those inherit the county need to understand the value of preserving its parks and open spaces.

Birds-eye view of Point Lobos

Park district staff members teamed up with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Monterey County March 2 to bring about 50 children — mostly elementary school students from Seaside — to 4,300-acre Palo Corona Regional Park.

Accompanied by staff, volunteers and translators, the kids hiked up the Vista Lobos Trail to the scenic overlook with a stunning view of Point Lobos State Reserve — a 2.5-mile round-trip.

“Along the trail, volunteers and staff shared information about the habitat, wildlife and the connection between a healthy body, home, open spaces and parklands,” reported Jackie Nelson, the park district's environmental education supervisor.

When they reached the summit, they were rewarded by a birds-eye view of Point Lobos, Carmel and Carmel Valley — and hopefully, a new perspective of the place where they live.

“It was wonderful,” said Christine

Dresslar Moss, a park district board member. “They were offered an easy walk and a hard walk, and they chose the hard walk. Every single kid made it the top. We have a lot of junior naturalists in the making. We've incubated our next generation of supporters.”

Backpacking instead of gangs

While younger kids have been touring some of the county's parks, over the past four years, the Ventana Wilderness Alliance has partnered with Salinas Community School, Rancho Cielo Youth Campus and a variety of other groups to bring more than 350 teenagers to Big Sur and Upper Carmel Valley for day trips and overnight camping excursions. Many of the youngsters — who mainly live in the Salinas Valley — are not doing well in school and are considered likely to get involved with gangs.

Journeying into the Big Sur backcountry, the kids have slept under the stars at Jackson Camp along the Little Sur River, Carmel River Camp along the river of the same name, and Cruickshank Camp on Big Sur's South Coast.

Kimmy Gal, who coordinates the VWA's Youth in Wilderness Program, said the program introduces the teens to a world most never knew existed.

“The youth we serve face numerous barriers to accessing the outdoors, such as peer pressure to participate in gang violence and drugs,” Gal explained. “Our students have spent so much time immersed in urban environments that often the idea of spending time outdoors can make them feel nervous and uncomfortable. Teens in the Salinas Valley live in the watershed of the Santa Lucia Mountains, but most have never explored the oaks, redwoods and streams in their own backyard.”

Not only do the teens learn to appreciate the value of wilderness, but they also learn important life lessons.

“Our program lowers these barriers and shows students that time outdoors is exciting and empowering,” Gal said. “Our expeditions give students an opportunity to unplug from TV, cell phones and computers to balance the deficit of their outdoor experience.

Everyday distractions and social pressures diminish, allowing students to focus on learning about themselves and the accessible natural world found on our protected public lands.”

Based on the comments VWA staff received from youngsters, the program has had a memorable effect on its participants.

“Most people wouldn't do this for a cou-

ple of kids from East, West and North Salinas,” one young hiker said.

“You guys have a place in my heart, because this was the first time I've gone camping,” another participant offered.

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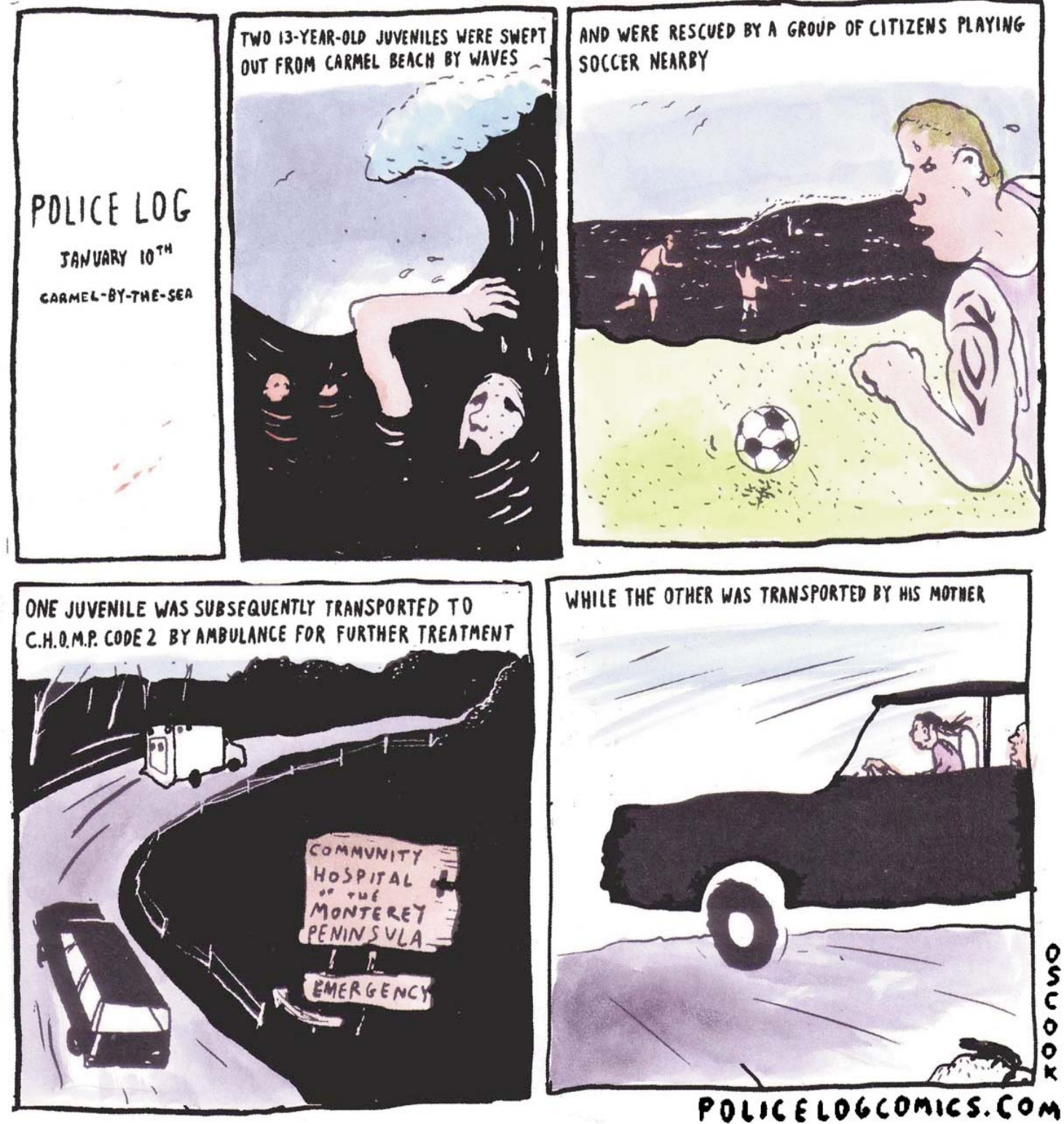
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At Sunset, Smuin Ballet welcomes spring with one last look at winter

By CHRIS COUNTS

NOTED FOR its unconventional use of popular music and inventive approach to dance, San Francisco's Smuin Ballet returns to Sunset Center Friday and Saturday, March 8-9, when it presents its winter program, including a trio of pieces by the company's late founder, Michael Smuin.

The first piece is "Starshadows," which is set to Maurice Ravel's Piano Concerto in G major. Next is "No Viviré," a solo work for a female dancer that incorporates Latin rhythms.

Featuring a solo performance by a male dancer, the third piece by Smuin, "Homeless," was inspired by a song of the same name by singer-songwriter Paul Simon.

After an intermission, the dance company

performs choreographer Adam Houglan's "Cold Virtues," which is set to a haunting violin concerto by Philip Glass, and will close the evening with choreographer Trey McIntyre's "Oh, Inverted World," a piece set to the music of a song by the indie-rock band, the Shins.

"It's a very athletic piece for four women and four men men," said Celia Fushille, artistic and executive director of Smuin Ballet. "Trey reflects on his youth. Trying to fit into a group brings up a wide range of emotions. Sometimes you're happy to be part of a group, and sometimes you want to pull away because you're feeling introspective."

Friday's performance starts at 8 p.m., while Saturday's begins at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$55 and \$68. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth. Call (831) 620-2048 or visit www.sunsetcenter.org.



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Case Number MP 21036
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A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by LARRY W. ROLLINS in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY. The Petition for Probate requests that LARRY W. ROLLINS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take

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

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

Date: May 1, 2013

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Address: Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

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

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court

within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

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

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(s) Jon L. Swedberg,
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■ 98 years ago —
March 3, 1915

Fruit Growing in the Valley

Recently the S.F. *Chronicle's* correspondent printed the following interesting article in that paper:

Many cattle, horses and sheep have taken the last bite of their favorite pasturages in the Carmel Valley. The landowners in this fertile section realize that far greater returns can be made from fruit trees. Consequently, several thousand acres have already been cleared of the oaks and sycamores, and the livestock driven back into the hills.

The section where the greatest development is now going on lies between the Laureles ranch and the Hatton dairy, a few miles from the mouth of the Carmel River. Apples and pears do best in this section and several thousand trees are now being planted. Already the fame of one orchard has leaped the Atlantic and every year many car-

loads of pears grown by Edward Berwick are sold in England and France.

Some of the land is being planted in beans and tomatoes, but the industry which brings thousands of dollars into the farmers' pockets is raising the seed of the Hubbard squash and the Yankee pumpkin. The land seems specially adapted for propagating the seeds of these plants.

■ 75 years ago —
March 11, 1938

Perry Newberry Defends Carmel's "Magna Carta"

Perry Newberry, defender of the old Carmel, made his first appearance before the city council in several years Wednesday evening, to protest changes in "Carmel's Magna Carta," the zoning ordinance, without further hearings. Mr. Newberry thought that insufficient publicity had been given to

the changes which City Attorney William Hudson believes will strengthen the ordinance, amending portions of it which he believes to be invalid. Mr. Newberry also thought that it would be well to leave it to the courts to decide on the validity of the controversial points.

Mr. Hudson said that the U.S. Supreme Court has already given a decision to the effect that a governing body may not delegate any of its powers to property owners. This section of the zoning ordinance, whereby a regulated business may not be established without first obtaining the written consent of two-thirds of the property owners in a radius of 400 feet, is the chief point at issue in the present discussion.

In proof of his contention that the matter had received insufficient publicity, Mr. Newberry pointed out the scarcity of interested citizens in the council chamber. He asked, and obtained a delay of two weeks before the council takes final action in the matter.

Fire Chief Breaks Bone

With his shoulder in a cast, Fire Chief Robert G. Leidig will be confined to his home for some time, and if the fire siren blows it will be just too bad. Wednesday afternoon Chief Leidig was working about the old firehouse on Sixth street. As men do, he climbed up on a precarious support to reach for a nice board high above his head. He slipped and fell, landing on his shoulder and snapping a bone. He was taken to the hospital where the bone was set, and home on Thursday to recuperate.

■ 50 years ago —
March 7, 1963

Storm Clouds Over C.V.

With the population of Carmel Valley swelling by a steady 10 percent each year, and close to the 5,000 mark now, it appears as though the residents and businessmen alike should fall out and regroup for the purpose of modifying their thinking. Carmel Valley can no longer be considered a rural area.

Sure, there are thousands of undeveloped acres still used for cattle grazing, but land developers are crouched and waiting, ample funds in one hand, use permits in the others, and zoning ordinances in their favor.

Reuben Hampton, of Reuben's Dinner House, is looking forward to the busiest season in the history of Carmel Valley. He had this to say before leaving for a two-weeks fishing sojourn in the Sacramento River Delta . . . "Carmel Valley can no longer be considered a rural area. People have now developed the habit of coming to the Valley and driving into Carmel for a visit. This alone reverses the trend of past years. A large theatre is planned for the Village; certain other areas have been designated and zoned for light business."

He shook his head sadly, "I appreciate the business I've done and I expect it to greatly increase in the immediate future. But I'm

afraid that the old Carmel Valley we have known and loved is about to disappear. Progress has been nipping at its heels for a long time and I am sure the next year or two will see the switch from Western saddles and hitching posts, to hunting saddles and cries of 'Tally Ho, the fox!'"

Proclamation

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The preservation of the forested character of Carmel is a matter of prime concern to every resident of this city. Only with the cooperation and assistance of the residents of Carmel can we maintain the stand of pine trees, both on public and private property, which is a unique virtue of our environment.

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Unless today we think of our children and grandchildren, they cannot have the privilege of cutting trees that our generation has enjoyed in Carmel.

—Eben Whittlesey, Mayor

■ 25 years ago —
March 10, 1988

Teenage vandalism causes concern to businesses

A handful of Carmel merchants, tired of the petty vandalism occurring in the commercial district, were told this week that they need not stand by helplessly and watch the damage take place.

During a brief meeting between several business people and Carmel police, shop owners complained of the increasing litter and loitering they have been experiencing for the past year.

Carmel Chief of Police Jack McGilvray and Capt. Don Fuselier offered both some good and bad news to the concerned merchants. "There's nothing that says they can't congregate on the street at any time," said McGilvray, referring to the youths that often run in packs while looking for fun. But if there is any vandalism, it is up to the shop owner to notify police immediately so a citation can be written.

Keep in mind that merchants are not talking about strong-arm crimes. These are more nuisance acts, such as pulling plants out of their boxes or throwing empty beer cans on the sidewalk. And while police said they would step up foot patrols in the area of San Carlos Street and Ocean Avenue where the current blight is occurring, there appeared to be no quick solution to the problem, except notifying authorities when vandalism is committed.

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JACKS PEAK

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just two years ago, county park officials considered a proposal to install a zip-line in the park, an idea that drew criticism from local environmental activists.

According to Dalessio, the idea of transferring the park to the regional park district has considerable support from county supervisors and county officials. "I think we have at least the four votes needed to transfer it," he said.

Support from Potter

Supervisor Dave Potter, whose aide, Kathleen Lee, is president of the MPRPD board, told The Pine Cone the idea has merit.

"I think there might be an opportunity here," Potter said. "I'm interested in looking at it, especially if it is wrapped into the greater pine forest of the whole Jacks Peaks area. It's kind of an underutilized park from the county's side of things. The regional park district does a very good job of promoting its parks, and [managing the park] would be consistent with their mission."

Dalessio said he and new board member Kelly Sorenson plan to meet with county administrative officer Lew Bauman and other officials to discuss the transfer March 14.

Adjacent to the park are four properties that could be

acquired to expand the park or used to create open space around it.

Totaling roughly 1,000 acres, the parcels are owned by the Church of Latter Day Saints, the Pebble Beach Company, September Ranch and the Housing Authority of the County of Monterey, according to Dalessio.

If acquired, the properties could double the size of Jacks Peak park, and eventually connect it to Carmel Valley.

Dalessio did not say whether any formal discussions with those property owners have been held, but he was optimistic that they would cooperate.

Representing the local nonprofit group, Monterey Pine Forest Watch, Joyce Stevens said she supports the park district's efforts.

"It's a wonderful dream," Stevens said. "It's only a bad dream if it doesn't happen."



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Wiener was working on a project and realized the law had lapsed. He brought its renewal to the planning commission last month, with the suggestion the three-year sunset be removed to avoid such oversights in the future.

At its Feb. 13 meeting, the planning commission reviewed the ordinance and recommended the council approve it as suggested by Wiener. "Given the positive track record of live music permits, the planning commission recommended that the ordinance be reauthorized on a permanent basis without an expiration date," he said in his report.

Commissioners also decided to do away with the part of the law that required permit holders to renew every three years.

"If the city receives noise complaints about a permit holder, the use permit can be called up to the planning commission without having to be periodically reviewed," he explained.

But, in the meantime, Freeman said Tuesday, restaurants and bars hosting live musicians were in violation of the law, since without the ordinance, their permits aren't valid. As a result, he and Wiener recommended the council adopt an urgency ordinance that would "go back and bridge that

gap by making all of those businesses legal."

While the permanent law will take at least 60 days to take effect, the urgency ordinance is good for 45 days and is effective immediately.

After the council unanimously voted to OK the emergency ordinance, Carmel Chamber of Commerce CEO Monta Potter commented on the permanent law and said many businesses in town support it.

"I'd like to speak strongly in favor of it," she said. "I think it's been great for the businesses, and I haven't heard any problems."

While Carmel Residents Association President Barbara Livingston said having live music in drinking establishments had so far not caused many problems, she warned the council against what might happen.

"I would urge you, however, to be very careful in curbing any action which might lead to the establishment of a club in Carmel," she said, adding that Monterey officials have reported problems with loud music and a lively bar scene. "I urge you to nip in the bud any sign of any club action in Carmel," she concluded.

Without further discussion, the council voted to reauthorize the ordinance to allow bars and restaurants to host live music, as long as they follow rules pertaining to noise limits and hours.

The new ordinance will not expire, nor will the use permits issued under it.

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Editorial

Fast train to nowhere

HERE AT The Pine Cone, we love trains.

We love to ride on them, and we love to look at them, and we deeply appreciate their critical role in the history of California and the United States.

In fact, like Paul Theroux, ever since we grew up within earshot of the Penn Central line between Washington and New York, we have hardly ever heard a train pass by without wishing we were on it.

Nevertheless, we are forced to conclude that the high-speed railway proposed between San Francisco and Sacramento south to Los Angeles and San Diego should never be built, for the simple reason that not enough people will use it to justify its sky-high cost.

In fact, the economics of the high-speed railway are so bad, we are certain it cannot, and will not, ever be finished, and that the money being spent on it today, despite Gov. Jerry Brown's enthusiasm, is just being wasted.

Of course, the heyday of California railroads is long past, but there are still several very pleasant long-distance trains in operation, as long as you think of them as curiosities, rather than as practical modes of transportation.

For example, the train from Salinas to Portland, Ore., can't be beat, as long as you have plenty of time and lots of money to spend on a sleeping compartment.

The accommodations are nice, the folks in the dining car are interesting, and the scenery as you pass along the Feather River canyon, past Mt. Shasta, and through the mountains of Oregon is unsurpassed.

A trip to Santa Barbara along the Coast Route is also a blast. Likewise, the train to Sacramento from San Jose, and the historic journey, preserved by Amtrak, across the Sierra Nevada from Oakland to Reno.

But all these trains take far longer than driving and can cost more than flying.

Supposedly, the high-speed railway will be so fast and economical that millions of people will give up their cars and forego the travails of flying in favor of riding the rails. But they won't.

The geography of California is the first problem. Getting from San Francisco to Fresno and Bakersfield will be difficult, mainly because so many established communities will have to be disrupted. But what's really a problem is getting across the two formidable mountain ranges between Bakersfield and Los Angeles. To travel this route at high speeds, the trains will have to run on tracks with very gradual curves and grades, which means that 60 percent of the Bakersfield-L.A. segment will have to run over the mountains on tall viaducts or through them via deep tunnels. Sixty percent! The only way such a thing would be conceivable would be if the train were built in a densely peopled country, such as Japan (smaller than California and with four times the population), and would therefore attract hordes of paying customers, rather than through one of the civilized world's most lightly populated areas.

Yes, the bullet trains in Japan were expensive to build and are heavily used. But to get a large percentage of Californians to start riding the train would mean getting them out of their cars, which they would be very reluctant to do even if the high-speed trains were to start running today, and which will be even more unlikely when they're all using cars with self-drive capability. Why would you travel, say, from Pebble Beach, or even Salinas, to Gilroy to get on a train which would take you someplace fairly near your final destination, when you could climb in your 2020 Prius or Porsche and have it transport you on its own directly from door to door? Don't forget that self-drive cars will be much safer than ones controlled by error-prone humans, and will therefore be much lighter and fuel efficient and be able to follow each other more closely on the freeways, expanding capacity and reducing traffic congestion. That, plus even the standby driver will be able to read a book, practice the saxophone, or cuddle with his spouse on the way.

Our governor tells us that getting the first segment of high-speed rail under way in the Central Valley is important for California's future, but the only reason it's being designed right now is that federal grant money happened to be available, and somehow politicians think "grant money" is the same as "free money" and don't think there's any reason not to fritter it away.

But the final cost of the high-speed rail network will be enormous — so big that nobody can even guess today what it might be. It seems impossible that even the spendthrifts in Congress would allocate such a huge sum to such a minimally beneficial project, and neither would the knuckleheads in Sacramento.

So enjoy the slow-poke California Zephyr and Coast Starlight while they're still running, folks, because they're the best trains this state is ever going to have.

BEST of BATES



"It says here my house is historical.
Hell, I'm more historical than my house!"

Letters to the Editor

Why Nye supported BevMo!

Dear Editor,

I attended the Monterey County Board of Supervisor's meeting last week concerning the new BevMo store at the Crossroads.

Most of my comments were missed by The Pine Cone when it reported on the meeting. My main comments were that the store would bring 15 to 20 jobs to the area, utilize three empty lease spaces and provide product otherwise unavailable to the Monterey Peninsula. Being located in unincorporated part of the Peninsula, it would also bring much needed income to the county. Further, until recently there was a store in the immediate area that was primarily liquor and had a tasting room. Further, I don't recall ever seeing a police issue with that store in The Pine Cone's Police Log.

Bill Nye, Big Sur

Ocean Ave. lights 'unclassy'

Dear Editor,

How it is that we are in March and there continue to be Christmas lights wrapped around tree trunks on Ocean Avenue, in store windows downtown and even still on Carmel buildings? Will anyone agree how unclassy this is? It, in fact, cheapens the natural beauty of the environment and the architecture that attracts people here in the first place. Let's reserve these lights for holiday season

where they belong. What stops everyone from draping lights around their trees and buildings creating a circus like environment all year round? If there is not a code regarding this, there should be. There should be a fixed date soon after the decorated trees come down that all these lights must be out and packed away (and this date should not be around St. Patrick's Day).

Edward Chiorazzi, Carmel

All Saints zero-waste project

Dear Editor,

I am writing to give you an idea about Zero Waste Week. Our school is working to be an Ocean Guardian School, and we want to get the message out about zero waste. I think you could put an article in the newspaper asking people to use reusable shopping bags, lunch boxes, napkins and water bottles. When people litter old plastic or paper supplies, it sometimes gets into the ocean, and fish or other sea creatures eat the trash. Then, when we eat those fish, the unhealthy waste gets into us.

Maybe the article could look something like this: Help the Environment during Zero Waste Week! Reduce! Reuse! Recycle! Try not to throw away as much trash and use reusable items! Zero Waste Week is March 17-23. Thank you for helping to keep our world healthy!

Gabriella Schmidt, Carmel Valley

'The enemy is us'

Dear Editor,

There you go again blaming the fiscal cri-

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Welcoming Bev to the neighborhood, in our own inimitable way

GOOD AFTERNOON, Mrs. Mo, and welcome to the Carmel area.

May we call you Bev? We are a friendly community and we prefer the informal address, when appropriate, and we’re assuming by your product line that you won’t mind me calling you Bev.

Anyway, let’s try to get through this discussion without resorting to ad hominem

beyond the realm

By JOE LIVERNOIS

attacks and name calling.

Speaking of which, we notice that you formally go by the name BevMo!. Doesn’t that exclamation point seem a bit slutty to you? At the very least, it’s quite unbecoming of a community of our stature.

Well, down to business, Bev. We can call you Bev, right?

Anyhow, the reason we’re here: We understand you would like to stain our fine community with the retail sale of cut-rate beverages. Big-box alcohol, so to speak.

Perhaps no one has told you this yet, but our community doesn’t look kindly on big-box chain retail operations. That’s why Sand

City and Salinas were created. If we let you in, what will stop Sam’s Club or the Olive Garden from nosing its way in to our community?

What’s more, we here in the Carmel area already have access to spirited libations from a number of fine purveyors already situated in the community.

Some of those existing retail establishments are owned and operated by people who live here. As you can imagine, Bev, they aren’t especially excited to learn that a high-volume discount chain operation is muscling its way into the ‘hood.

Who can blame them? There’s no way they can absorb the charitable marketing offer of 5-cent bottles of wine, even for a limited time while supplies last.

But that’s free enterprise for you, we suppose. Let the market do its thing. And if the little guys can’t compete, at least they’ve got a full line of alcoholic beverages on stock in which they can drown their sorrows.

By the way, Bev, can you please let us know when you plan your first 5 cent promotion? I mean, jeez, we can’t even wheedle a deal like that from Wal-Mart.

We also assume that you have already completed your due diligence. You have

studied the market, and you are confident that your establishment will achieve its goals with success here.

Either that, or you expect to improve your credibility as an elite vendor of product by locating in a tony Carmel address. We get a lot of that here.

We also assume you recognize that, despite all appearances, we do have children in this town. The high school is full of them. Please know that we will be watching you like a hawk. So don’t even think about accepting just any old fake ID they might try

RICKETTS

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the small congregation, which learned that this space was where Ricketts and Steinbeck entertained their numerous friends and guests. Hemp and his colleagues took the opportunity to display various photographs from “Cannery Row: A History,” which were contributed by the foundation’s photo archivist, Pat Hathaway.

The compilation included an especially compelling still of Ricketts slumped on the ground after his fatal collision with a train in 1948.

Next was a step outside to the “Sophia Room,” a nook of classic Ricketts humor on the upstairs deck of the laboratory. Peering inside, attendees saw a surprising face looking out from what appeared to be a plain bathroom: Sophia Loren, frowning moodily from a multicolored portrait on the wall.

Turning from the somewhat startling image, participants proceeded down the rick-

to run past you.

By the way, Bev, will you be selling some of that Cruzan Single Barrel rum at your establishment? We can’t seem to find that stuff anywhere, but it would be great if you kept some on your shelves.

And I don’t want to be a pest, but does that five-cent offer apply to Jacquot XO cognac?

You know, we are beginning to believe that the more we get to know you, the more we might actually enjoy your presence in our community.

ety wooden stairs to Ricketts’s real workspace. There, a cluster of tanks rested on a cement platform overlooking the bay, containers which Ricketts would have used to store his many marine specimens.

After wandering the lower deck, guests crowded into a musty garage beneath the building, populated by dusty jars and a few large filing cabinets. Despite its unimpressive appearance, Hemp revealed that this was the site of the dedicated research and countless experiments that would make Ricketts a legend. In this dark wooden cavern, Ricketts came to the “brink of international stardom” for his work in marine biology and ecology, before his untimely death at age 51. Though Steinbeck’s birthday served as occasion for the lab tours, the experience was certainly not limited to discussions of the writer and his own work. For several groups of inquisitive guests, the Cannery Row Foundation’s program served as a reminder of the persisting influence of Steinbeck, Ricketts, and Cannery Row itself, on Monterey and the rest of the world.

BEACH HOUSE

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Abalonetti Bar & Grill and Cannery Row Brewing Company — was selected as general manager, while Abalonetti chef Christopher Groves will be the Beach House’s new chef. “He is a rising talent,” Phillips said of Groves.

This week, Groves and Phillips discussed the menu, but Phillips is being tight-lipped about its content. The food, he said, will fall under the category of “California casual cuisine.” Early bird specials will be from 4 to 5:30 p.m., and the Beach House will be open for business until midnight.

“We are not reopening the Old Bath House,” according to Phillips. “We are creating something fresh and new, and we are keeping the price point down and making it more accessible for folks.”

Expert on teens to speak at CHS

A SEMINAR focusing on teens’ psychological pain and how adults can help will be held Friday, March 8, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the performing arts center at Carmel High School. Carmel Presbyterian Church, Congregation Beth Israel and the CHS Padre Parents collaborated on the effort to bring highly regarded expert Chap Clark, Ph.D, to talk about his program, ParenTeen.

According to Kimberly Momberger at Carmel Pres, Clark’s program “is based on the latest research on adolescent development, family and social systems, and the rapidly changing environment that every student faces.”

At the presentation, he will address parent, school and community questions, problems and concerns, as well as share insight on how adults can “combat the negative trends and help adolescents navigate in a positive direction.”

A professor at Fuller Theological Seminary and author, Clark “is calling for a radical reassessment of how students are understood,” according to Momberger, and will “discuss the troubles of today’s adolescents and how we can effectively improve relationships for the up-building of our youth, and our society as a whole.”

Phillips said he hasn’t put out a call to fill the other job positions at the restaurant, but he “expects a big response when we do.”

The bar at the Bath House used to face the restaurant’s back wall. But Phillips said the new bar, which seats about 10, has been turned 180 degrees so “now all of our patrons have a view.”

As of this week, the city-owned building — which looks largely complete on the exterior — was bordered by chain-link fence and construction materials.

Phillips said the new restaurant’s aisles and bathrooms have been widened to accommodate wheelchairs. An elevator was also installed. And, per an agreement with the city, the public bathrooms at Lovers Point park will be demolished and relocated beneath the Beach House restaurant.

The children’s swimming pool next to the new restaurant, which received a \$10,000 donation from it in February, will be an important addition to Lovers Point, Phillips said. The pool is expected to open in the summer.

“We feel strongly that the pool represents our vision of a renewed and improved waterfront experience at Lovers Point and is an important part of that experience,” he said.

SCOUT

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hoped for an initial go-ahead to commission preliminary studies, get the campaign started and prepare an application to submit to the planning commission. Burnett said he or city staff would follow up with Richmond at a later time.

After Doyle’s presentation, councilman Ken Talmage suggested the city “really take a look at what it would take to solve the Scout House issue,” and get Richmond and Doyle together, so they might unify their efforts.

“We have two people who are stepping forward to take leadership — I think we need to treat that more proactively,” he said, than some of the other potential city capital projects in the pipeline.

While Burnett said he was hesitant to put a timeframe on when the matter would return to the council for discussion, Talmage simply urged some haste.

“That Eagle Scout will be in college and long gone if we drag it out to 2015,” he said.

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A police chief with a lot on his mind

ON THE basis of appearance, Phil Penko is not your typical police chief. He’s polished, quiet, even gentle, and the only time I saw him reach for his gun was when it was his turn to buy lunch and I was insisting on picking up the check. Phil was named Monterey’s chief of police a year ago. He’s a very thoughtful guy with a good sense of humor. He wouldn’t transfer to Oakland or Chicago.

He was born a half-century ago on a plateau in the Utah desert. His father had been a coal miner who had lost part of a leg in an accident. The family moved to Sacramento, where his father taught high school for 34 years. One of Phil’s older brothers worked at Lawrence Livermore Labs, another was a computer systems trouble-shooter, working mostly for the federal government, and the third was a general contractor.

Explained Phil, “I never entered this profession thinking I wanted to be a chief of police. Quite frankly, when I started here back in January of 1985, I didn’t know how long I was going to be doing this job, because I didn’t think of it as a career. I don’t know if you really can get your arms around the concept of a 30-year career when you’re 21 years old. So I have just been blessed throughout my career to get to a point where I was in a position to be offered the chief’s job.”

It wasn’t always an easy path. About six years into the job, around the time his daughter was born, Phil was plagued by the same ugly dream night after night, for five months. “I pulled over a primered sedan on Del Monte right in front of

Lake El Estero. It’s foggy. It’s coming in from the bay and moving across quickly. I mean, this is still a very vivid memory. I walk up to the car. I see the passenger lean out and I see a muzzle flash.”

So disturbing was the dream that he lost 58 pounds, fearful that it was an omen and that it meant he would never see his daughter grow up. He thought, “This job’s going to kill me,” and was close to quitting the force.

But as happens with people who feel a strong sense of responsibility, Phil realized that it was up to him alone to take control of his life. “I knew I needed to become a master of myself, because before I can focus outward, I have to focus inward. It wasn’t any kind of Zen thing. It was just a realization that, ‘Big Boy, it’s time to act like a big boy and take control of

your life.” Phil is not a control freak. It was that he knew that the two things that were important to him — his happiness and his integrity — were issues that required focus, and attention to them would pay substantial dividends throughout his life.

Is this an aspect of his religion? “I was raised Catholic,” he said, “but that was the Catholicism that put a lot of fear and guilt into a person. So when I became an adult, I stepped away from that. I still believe I have a very strong relationship with God, but I don’t define it by a specific religion.”

Phil inherited a department that didn’t need major change, but he is moving forward on two fronts. One is to get the community more involved in its own security, but it’s tough because most people don’t want to “bother” the police. He

expensive vacations on the voters’ expense smack of hypocrisy. It is Alinsky reincarnated and refined: Lie, lie, and lie, but be sure that you do it convincingly.

This is not limited to Washington. California is building a railroad that will cost billions and has no reason to be; this is an example of the government spending other people’s money, regardless of the merits of the endeavor. Monterey had the establishment of a viable business almost stopped by a cadre of people who have no problem trying to impose their will. All of this done with lies and obfuscation of facts.

We should be ashamed of ourselves for allowing these hooligans into office and for allowing silly interference into what was once a vibrant economic system.

Michael Addison, Carmel

quotes Sir Robert Peale, the founder of the London Metropolitan Police (and the man after whom the term “Bobby” was invented) as saying in 1829: “The police are the public. The public are the police. The police are the only members of the public that are paid to give full-time attention to duties that are incumbent upon every citizen in the interest of community welfare and existence.” He adds, “To me, that’s the essence of community policing. It’s developing those relationships and recognizing that everybody has a role in keeping a community safe.”

The other front is the new PRVNT, the Peninsula Regional Violence Narcotics Team that involved members of the local police forces.

Established last fall, it’s already made a number of significant arrests and seized drugs and firearms.

Why was it so successful? “It’s the sharing of information, the sharing of resources, and the leadership that we have in place with that group.”

One of the keys to better policing, Phil says, is to shift from force to power (apologies to David Hawkins). “I think bringing women into the sworn side of law enforcement has opened a lot of eyes for the men. Women have the ability to communicate much better than men. Men have a tendency to revert back to their intrinsic caveman response when they feel challenged. Women are able to push different emotional buttons; they are much more adept at defusing situations than their male counterparts.”

What’s his future? “When I retire as chief of police,” he says, “if chief of police is who I am, I am going to be lost when I retire. So I always tell people, this is what I do, it’s not who I am.”

As I said, Phil Penko is a thoughtful guy.



Phil Penko

LETTERS

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sis on those “idiots” (editorial, March 1). Take a deep breath, have a glass of wine, sit down, relax and give a moment of thought to your notion that “idiots” are to blame for our nations indebtedness. I have shocking news for you, news you could well have figured out yourself: We have met the enemy, and it is us.

We live in a complex culture, and we truly believe we deserve a great deal. From the house we live in to the quality of our city, to our status on the world scene, we firmly believe we deserve to have what we want. Yet we are unwilling to pay for it. Whether it’s the generous pension for our brave firemen, to the best-in-the-world fighter jet, we are Americans and we are the most outstanding nation on the planet, and we deserve all this stuff.

But why are we not willing to pay for it? Of course, we are making some spending decisions that are for unnecessary, sometimes even silly, stuff but that is most definitely not the problem. Many California cities are in line to follow Vallejo into bankruptcy. Does anybody care, or is anybody, you in particular, interested in doing something to stop a dire financial future that right now seems inevitable? We the people need to pull up our socks and start writing checks for what we bought, revise our budgets to see what we can accurately afford to buy going forward, and work hard to teach our kids a different way to live.

Peter Nosler, San Jose

Obama’s ‘shenanigans’ Dear Editor,

How long are we going to put up with the shenanigans coming from the administration? It is beyond belief that President Obama and his team have made a minor cut-back in the growth of spending as painful as possible. Stopping tours of the White House while taking million-dollar golf junkets, flying Air Force One to make campaign-like stops everywhere, and allowing Michelle to traipse all over the world on

Susan Hermanson Milton

May 20, 1963 – February 28, 2013

Oh, sweet Suzy, you’ve left us too early, while you were looking forward to your 50th birthday and one more trip to Maui. Your family and friends are grieving your loss so soon, in the prime of your life, and will miss you--miss seeing your always smiling face, your kind demeanor, your brave spirit quietly fighting on against the cancer threatening you. You are forever in our hearts.



Suzy was born at Ford Ord, the youngest of six, to Jack and Ruth (Moore) Hermanson and grew up in Carmel Valley, graduating 1981 from Carmel High School where she excelled in competitive and synchronized swimming, then from UC Davis in 1985. She went on to earn her RDH from Cabrillo College and worked in Carmel as dental hygienist for Bradford Carl, DDS, for the next 13 years, where she was well known for her gentle way of quickly putting her patients at ease and chattering away during cleaning procedures to distract and entertain them.

She married her favorite patient, Craig Milton, on May 13, 1995, in Carmel Valley and gave birth to Amanda Ruth in 1999 and Stevie Osborn in 2001, with the family then moving to Roseville, CA, in 2002, where she was active in her children’s school and sports activities almost to the end of her life.

Suzy leaves behind besides her husband and children, brothers Rick (Marilyn) Hermanson of Natomas, CA, and Bryan (Kari) Hermanson of Salinas, CA, and sister Marijane (Jason) Johnson of Del Rey Oaks, CA, and her in-laws, Rita Lewis of Carmel, CA, and John and Linda Milton of Sedona, AZ, brothers-in-law Michael Milton of Temecula, CA, Chris (Carey) Milton and Jeff (Melissa) Milton, both of Chino Hills, CA, and many nieces and nephews. Predeceasing her were her parents and her brothers Dennis Hermanson and Stevie Hermanson.

The family wishes to give special thanks to all the friends who gave so much support and care during Suzy’s illness and especially to her oncologist, Dr. Tianhong Li, and the team at UC Davis Comprehensive Cancer Center.

A Celebration of Life will be held at the Bayside West Community Church, 10020 Foothills Blvd., Roseville, CA, on March 13, 2013 at 2:13 pm, with reception following at Morgan Creek Golf Club, 8791 Morgan Creek Lane, Roseville. CA. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the UC Davis Cancer Center Gift Fund for Personalized Lung Cancer Therapy or to the charity of the donor’s choice. Thoughts or memories may be shared on Susan Milton’s Memorial Page at www.cochraneschapel.com under “Tribute Wall.”

Neeltje “Nellie” Kooyman – Mirani

1/7/1922 – 2/25/2013



Nellie Mirani passed away peacefully on February 25, 2013 at the age of 91. She is now reunited with her beloved husband of 55 years, Theo Mirani, who preceded her in death.

She was born on January 7, 1922 on the island of Terchelling, Holland. In her youth Nellie was an avid ice skater. She met her first and only boyfriend Theo on the ice at the age of 16. They married in 1942 and had their first child Theo Mirani Jr. in 1944. In 1954 they immigrated to America. In 1958 their second child, John was born.

Nellie was a beloved Mother, Wife and homemaker. She was a talented artist and loved nature and wildlife. She was an active member of the Carmel Valley Community Chapel. In 1987, they moved to Coos Bay, Oregon and traveled extensively in their fifth wheel trailer. Theo passed in 1997 and Nellie returned to the Peninsula, making the Hacienda Carmel her home. She became an active member of the Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula. Nellie is survived by brothers Joop and Willem Kooyman, sister Rika Kooyman, sons Theo and John Mirani, granddaughter Gina Mirani, Grandson Theo Mirani III, and great grandchildren Brandon and Darby Mirani.



A service celebrating her life will be held at the Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula located at 4590 Carmel Valley Road, March 9, 2013 at 3:00 pm with reception following at the Hacienda Carmel Fiesta Room.

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