

Salyer pleads guilty

By PAUL MILLER

AFTER VEHEMENTLY protesting the charges against him for more than two years, former agribusiness executive Scott Salyer pled guilty to racketeering and price-fixing charges last week in exchange for a sentence of four to seven years in federal prison.

The Pebble Beach resident has been on home confinement at his residence on Ronda Road since being released on \$6 million bail in Sept. 2010. He was arrested at New York's Kennedy Airport in Feb. 2010 after arriving from Paris. For months, prosecutors tried to keep him locked up because of fears he would flee the country.

But instead, Salyer stayed at home and used some of the state's best attorneys to challenge the evidence against him and prepare for trial.

U.S. Attorneys in Sacramento said they had wiretaps and testimony from former employees to prove that Salyer directed employees at his tomato-processing company, SK Foods, to "pay bribes and kickbacks to purchasing officers" from his company's customers, driving up the price of those products for consumers, falsify lab test results to conceal contamination in SK Foods' tomato paste, and to misrepresent conventional produce as organic.

Friday morning in the Sacramento courtroom of U.S. District Judge Lawrence Karlton, Salyer admitted all those things, U.S. Attorney Benjamin Wagner said.

"Corruption in any form is despicable, but when such occurs within the food industry, it erodes public trust in products and threatens the industry as a whole," said Herbert M. Brown, Special Agent in Charge of the Sacramento Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. "The FBI continues to tirelessly combat white collar crime that is motivated by unscrupulous greed."

The FBI began its investigation of Salyer in August 2006, federal law enforcement officials said, when agents executed a search warrant at the home of Anthony Manuel, an SK Foods employee who had embezzled approximately \$1 million from his former employer, a competitor of SK Foods.

"Manuel promptly confessed to the embezzlement and later told agents about the crimes to which Salyer and others have now pleaded guilty," Wagner said. Ten other former employees and bribe recipients have also pled guilty in the case. SK Foods was forced into bankruptcy and most of its employees, including many in the Monterey Peninsula, lost their jobs.

Salyer was accused of moving \$3 million to Andorra in an attempt to hide the money from authorities. He also owned a large tomato processing company in Australia and New Zealand. That company has been sold and the money placed in a trust.

Campaign ending on a cordial note

■ Nearly half of expected vote may already be in

By PAUL MILLER

A PHONE call Tuesday morning from Rich Pepe to Jason Burnett added a friendly note to the hard-fought competition to be the city's next mayor.

Pepe called Burnett to make sure he knew he was invited to Pepe's tasting room, Vino Napoli, which was the final stop on a Carmel Chamber of Commerce tasting room tour Wednesday evening.



PHOTO/PAUL MILLER

Mayor candidates Jason Burnett (left) and Rich Pepe greet each other at a Carmel Chamber of Commerce event Wednesday evening.

And when the two men encountered each other the next evening, they greeted each other warmly.

"I wanted to make sure Mr. Burnett was included and not make that final stop about me, nor about the mayor race even," Pepe said.

After election day, he said if he wins he will "begin work and cooperate with all involved." And if he loses, Pepe said he will "continue to support the village as I've done in the past."

Burnett expressed appreciation for Pepe's gesture, and said that "maintaining a good working relationship with Rich has been a priority for me and I really respect that he feels the same way."

And Burnett said that "regardless of how the election turns out, I think Rich and I will be able to celebrate together on election night and work together the next day."

Ken Talmage, who is running for re-election to the city council, sounded a similar note.

"I've heard from dozens of residents and businesses how grateful they are that this has been a positive, issue-oriented campaign without negative personal attacks," Talmage said. "What we saw from Rich Pepe yesterday was that kind of action."

Talmage also noted the importance of the current election.

"We've had just two mayors over the last 20 years," Talmage noted, referring to Ken White's eight years in office and Sue McCloud's 12. "Now we're about to pick another one."

Bob Profeta, Tom Leverone and Victoria Beach are also running for the two open seats on the city council. If Burnett becomes mayor, a third seat will open up, which could go to the third-place finisher in the April 10 election.

How the ballots are handled

Next Tuesday may officially be election day, but according to numbers provided by city clerk Heidi Burch, the results of the races for mayor and city council are well on their way to being determined. She said 768 "vote by mail ballots" have already been received. Two years ago, when McCloud was challenged by Adam Moniz in a race that drew a lot of interest, a total

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Carmel Walks founder dies at 65

By MARY SCHLEY

IF ANYONE knew this town's secrets, past and present, it was Gale Wrausmann. The founder of Carmel Walks, Wrausmann led visitors on walking tours through the city almost daily for the past 15 years — for many years accompanied by her dog, Squirt — and she had plenty of stories to match the scenery, architecture, culture and beauty of the village that was her home. Wrausmann died Sunday, March 18, of cancer. She was 65.

"She was a gentle, gentle soul; she was so nice; she was part of the landscape," said Carmen Ajan of Pat Areias jewelry on Ocean Avenue. "She was very proud of living in this city, and she loved to tell people about all the little secrets, like who lived where. She knew where everything happened here 50 and 100 years ago."

Ajan recalled meeting Wrausmann years ago, when she approached Ajan to discuss her plans for leading tours through town on foot.

"She came and introduced herself to me," she recalled. "One time we went for coffee and to talk about the town, and she would always stop by here with the groups."

John Lloyd, general manager of The Pine

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Did the Beatles eat here? Yes, they did

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE MONTEREY Pop Festival was famous for its lineup, which included Jimi Hendrix, Janis Joplin and The Who. But few people realize an equally impressive assembly of musical talent gathered one day in Carmel Valley during the same era.

Legend has it that the Beatles and Joan Baez — with Bob Dylan possibly in tow — had lunch at Plaza Linda restaurant.

"The legend is true," said Sam Getz, who described himself as a fourth generation Carmel Valley resident. "The Beatles did go to Plaza Linda for lunch."

And they reportedly had company as well. "I believe they were there with Joan Baez and Bob Dylan, but I'm not positive about that."

According to Getz, Plaza Linda's future owner, Dean Diaz, waited on the party of music icons.

We tracked down Diaz, who offered The Pine Cone a wealth of information about the early days of Plaza Linda, which was founded by his mother, Jennie, and father — also named Dean — in 1963. But the younger Diaz, who sold the restaurant to its current owners five years ago, said he missed the Beatles' visit. Thankfully, though, Diaz' cousin, Connie Ortiz, was there.

"I was working as a waitress that day,"

Ortiz recalled. "Joan Baez, her family and her guests used to come into the restaurant and I would wait on them. One weekend, she came in with three of the Beatles. The only one who wasn't there was Paul McCartney."

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Joan Baez and Bob Dylan in what may be Devendorf Park in 1963 — an era that also brought the Beatles briefly to Carmel Valley.



Gale Wrausmann, who was a ubiquitous presence in downtown Carmel for the past 15 years, with her dog, Squirt, who helped lead many of her walking tours.

Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

Smart like a Fox

HE ALMOST died twice. The first time, it was snail bait; the second culprit was mushrooms. Both times, he crawled under a board and was almost ready to give up the ghost. But his person found him, raced him to the vet, and asked him to live. And so he did.

The first time she truly found Buddy was at Sunset Center during an SPCA adoption event. Identified as a 6-month-old, long-haired Chihuahua, he looked to her, like a Pomeranian. And so he was.

As she lifted the puppy into her arms, the little dog nuzzled his fuzzy head into the hollow of her shoulder as if he were her baby. And so he was.

She stared at her little apricot-colored fox for several days before naming him. In the meantime, she called him Buddy, and it stuck. And so Buddy Fox it is.

When he was 5, his person brought home Marley, a kitten from Animal Friends Rescue Project, and Buddy put his arm around the cat like it was his own. And so she is.

Buddy's person has taught him a lot of tricks like pushing a ball forward by walking on it, end hitting it to others with his nose; but he also has learned to brush his teeth by holding the toothbrush between his



front paws. One day she asked him to switch and brush the other side. And so he did.



Buddy's favorite playtime is at the beach, where he

loves to chase after a Frisbee, run circles in the sand, or splash along the shore with his person. Once, they encountered a man running after his own dog, which had gained enough ground to become just a dot in the distance. Buddy's person asked him to go get the dog. And so he did.

Foundation offers sale of 'blooms and books'

THE CARMEL Foundation will open its garden courtyard and library for a sale on books and plants Friday, March 30, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. "The greenhouse is buzzing with blooms and bargains for our neighbors," organizers announced. The sale is free and open to the public, and proceeds will support the foundation, a nonprofit that offers classes, low-cost meals and housing, activities, transportation, socializing and various services to its members, who are age 55 and older. For more information about the sale, call Melissa McKenzie at (831) 620-8703 or email mmckenzie@carmelfoundation.org. The foundation is located at Lincoln and Eighth in downtown Carmel.

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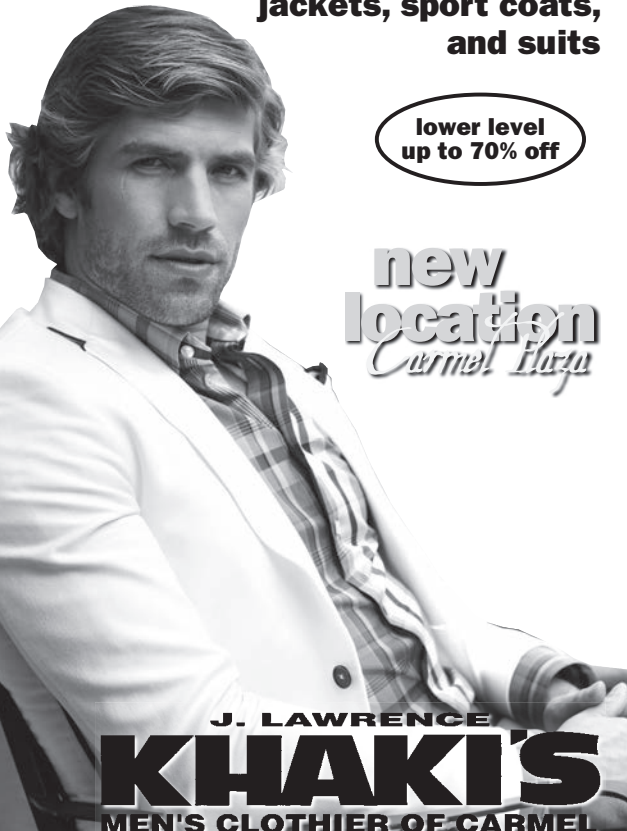
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“Carmel Faces \$500K Budget Gap”

“Carmel faces \$500K budget gap.” The story behind the Monterey Herald headline was based upon a Carmel staff report for the March 20 City Council “budget workshop.” There, the City Manager stated that *to avoid tripling the deficit, more reductions will be needed.* Weeks ago I raised this issue, and proposed some solutions.

So Where Are We Now?

The City staff is very candid in stating Carmel’s financial problem:

“The five-year forecast shows an increasing gap between revenues and expenditures as anticipated expenditures outpace projected revenue. This gap is \$500,000 in FY 2012-13 growing to \$1.4 million in Fiscal Year 2016-17.”

How did we get here? The City Council adopted a 2011-2012 operating budget with a “technical surplus” of about \$2,200. Apparently little thought was given to increasing revenues. Of revenue ideas the staff suggested, other than raising a few fees, the Council pursued none. Instead, the Council in the last two years appears to have relied on one time revenue sources to “balance” the budget, which the City Manager observed will only “exacerbate the structural imbalance in future years.” This cannot continue.

So where are we now? Carmel has a projected \$500,000 deficit which will grow to \$1.4 million over the next five years.

The Question . . . What Are We To Do?

That’s now the important question, and the staff’s candor continues in its report:

“Closing the gap will require services to continue to shrink, employees to be compensated less, and/or new revenue sources to be created, from economic development, annexation, natural growth of the economy (if any), fee increases, and/or voter approved tax increases.”

The City has only been able to reach the current budget by cutting its staff over the past few years from 122 to 66 positions. Carmel now only provides “essential” services. Realistically, we cannot believe there can be further staff cuts and continue to maintain even “essential” services. And what about reducing employee compensation? If we continue this, how will Carmel retain a stable, qualified workforce to provide those “essential” services? That leaves the second option, “new revenue sources.”

The Bottom Line

Doing nothing is not an option. We all “want to maintain the character of our village.” That’s a slogan, not a solution. *What solutions, popular or unpopular, does each candidate have for Carmel’s financial problems?* Here are some possible solutions I have already proposed.

First, residents should have the opportunity to vote on increasing the hotel tax by one percent, to generate approximately \$400,000 in new revenue. I support this.

Second, adopt some form of paid parking. The City recently projected it could generate \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000 a year. We should revisit this issue, its pros and cons, and vote on it. I will support some form of paid parking that exempts residents with City provided parking stickers.

Third, the Sunset Center has a multi-million dollar debt burden costing about \$500,000 a year. Several million dollars were privately raised when we originally renovated the Center. I believe we need another capital campaign. Let’s start being creative to solve debt problems.

Fourth, let residents vote on a tax deductible, temporary supplemental property tax. The City Council cannot enact this tax, only voters by a two thirds majority. A temporary supplemental tax of \$200 per parcel would raise about \$600,000 in new revenues. I would support a temporary supplemental tax lasting no more than four years to support such services as police, fire and ambulance to ensure the long term public safety of residents.

These ideas may not be popular with all, and I recognize they may not be the final answer. *But I have proposed them because we need to at least have the debate, look past the slogans for solutions, and resolve to move Carmel forward.*

Residents will vote to put two candidates on the City Council. If you believe that we need a new perspective, vision and ideas to raise the level of the debate, and begin to find new solutions to Carmel’s financial needs, --- *then I’m one of your candidates.* I would be honored to have your vote in the April election.

Bob Profeta

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Police & Sheriff's Log

Wild boar remains ‘placed on vehicle’

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.

SATURDAY, MARCH 10

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person reported two subjects inside a parked vehicle on Scenic Road smoking marijuana. A vehicle

check was conducted, and while contacting both subjects, a strong odor of marijuana was detected from inside of the vehicle. Both subjects admitted they had marijuana and stated it belonged to both of them. A vehicle search yielded 5 grams of marijuana. Both subjects were cited, and the marijuana was placed into CPD evidence.

Pacific Grove: Person reported a truck with a window broken on David Avenue. Registered owner of the vehicle stated nothing was taken from vehicle. No suspect information.

Pacific Grove: Person on Asilomar reported a female entered the business office and requested information about one of the guests. The person told the woman they did not give out personal information about their guests and the woman left the office area. She then went outside and stapled flyers with the guest’s picture on them to wooden posts around the property. The caller removed the flyers and notified the guest of the situation. The person brought the flyers to the PGPD and they were scanned into this report digitally. Officer contacted the female and informed her the manager of the private property did not want her to return. Officer admonished the woman about future trespassing and the person was satisfied.

Pacific Grove: Injury accident at Central and 17th.

SUNDAY, MARCH 11

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Found property turned over to Carmel

P.D. for safekeeping.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Man on Dolores Street reported a woman drove by his store and yelled insults and curse words at him. He also found a sign glued to his window. Some damage occurred when he removed the sign. The woman was described as driving a light older model vehicle.

Pacific Grove: A 41-year-old female reported hearing a rape in progress inside a Crocker Avenue residence. Caller entered the residence and was confronted by the homeowner. Suspect later arrested for trespass and false report of a crime.

MONDAY, MARCH 12

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Past-tense residential burglary on Casanova Street. No suspect leads at this time.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: CPD assisted a citizen from San Francisco check for two runaway juveniles that may be passing through the Carmel area. Two runaway juveniles were located, turned over to CPS and later provided transportation home.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 21-year-old female suspect was arrested on Monte Verde for driving on a suspended license.

Pacific Grove: A 27-year-old male, was found sleeping on a Bayview resident’s porch. Subject found to be intoxicated and was arrested. Subject also found to have an outstanding warrant. Subject booked and transported to county jail.

Pacific Grove: Vehicle on Walnut Street entered and ransacked during the night. Nothing taken. No suspect information.

Pacific Grove: Victim reported personal property was taken from within her unlocked vehicle on Walnut Street.

Carmel area: At a shopping center, a man punched and kicked another man several times before threatening him with a hammer. He swung the hammer at the victim and missed, and then chased the victim on foot. The man was soon intercepted and arrested.

Carmel Valley: Elderly male subject was transported to the hospital by ambulance after deputies responded to the Holt Road residence because of a disturbance.

Carmel area: A male was found lying in the woods next to Highway 1. Subject was on probation and in possession of drug paraphernalia. Subject arrested and transported to county jail.

Carmel area: Vehicle on Highway 1 broken into at Point Lobos. A briefcase was stolen containing business items. No suspect information.

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CARMEL HIGH SCHOOL'S ROBO ROCKIN' BOTS TAKE THE COURT

By LILY PATTERSON

STUDENTS AT Carmel High School have a Big Game this weekend, though it doesn't take place on a baseball diamond or football field. Instead, a CHS team will take to a basketball court at San Jose State University to see how many baskets they can make — with a robot.

"At first the kids think, 'We can do that,'" said Paul McFarlin, faculty advisor to the CHS robotics team. "Then they find out it's not so easy."

The event is the Silicon Valley FIRST Robotics competition — a program that began in 1992 and has expanded to 250,000 participants nationwide, with 70 regional competitions and a FIRST Championship in St. Louis, Mo. (FIRST is an acronym of "For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology")

The Carmel High team, the Robo Rockin' Bots, has been involved with the FIRST program for six years. Since they began competing in 2006, the team has gone to the playoffs

8 out of 11 times and made it to the regional finals twice (they took second place in their first year of competing). In 2008, the CHS Bots also won the Motorola Quality-Built Award for their robot. In March, they participated in the Sacramento Regional competition at UC Davis, which was a warm up for this weekend's.

The team is competing with a robot they created in January and February. According to McFarlin, the motorized robot they designed, fabricated and tested has multiple sensors and a camera, and can hold the required three basketballs — and no more than that.

"What's hard is the accuracy," McFarlin said. "It has to be able to drive around the court, pick up balls, and then shoot them with the right angle and velocity."

The tasks required of the competing robots are changed each year. This year's CHS entry was designed for the basketball competition, where it will be teamed up with two other robots to play in a 2-minute and 15-second shoot-out

against another team of three robots. For the first 15 seconds of the game, the robots must be autonomous as they fight to pick up balls and shoot. Afterwards, the students can control their robot, aiming shots at the basket through the camera. The team with the most points wins.

The champion of the regional competitions will then move on to the nationals in St. Louis in April.

"There are 50 high schools at each regional, so it's hard to win," McFarlin said.

The Silicon Valley Regional competition at San Jose State University begins Friday, March 30 at 9 a.m., at 1 Washington Square in San Jose, concluding with a first round of results at 6 p.m.

Qualifying teams move on to a second round of matches Saturday at 9 a.m. Playoffs and a final awards ceremony will take place at 4:45 p.m. Admission to the competition is free and open to the public. For more information, visit <http://www.firstsv.org>.



PHOTO/CHRIS COUNTS

Mentor Rory Buchenroth (left) coaches Carmel High students as they work on their basketball-shooting robot for this weekend's regional robotics competition in San Jose. The team has done well in the past and hopes to make it to the nationals this year.

CHS softball team runs win streak to 8

By CHRIS COUNTS

STARTING PITCHER **Brittany File** struck out 16 batters and allowed just one hit as the Carmel High School softball team cruised to a 9-1 win March 27 at home against Soledad High.

The victory was the eighth straight for the Padres. The team's pitching ace, File has recorded four of those wins, striking out 44 hitters so far this season and yielding just one earned run in 22 innings.

"Brittany was on," coach **John Franklin** said. "She had a monster game."

Led by **Alexandra Franklin**, who went three-for-three and drove in two runs, the Carmel High offense was firing on all cylinders. **Hanna Smith** added two hits and scored twice, while **Lilly Young** drove in a pair of runs. "We came prepared," Franklin explained.

Playing for the third time in just three days, the Padres continued their winning ways March 23, edging host Aptos High, 4-3.

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ELECTION

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of about 1,600 votes were cast.

She said when mail-in ballots arrive at city hall, they are scanned in by her office, with the “security envelope” that conceals each voter’s identity being removed from the yellow mailing envelope. The ballots are then locked up at city hall.

On election night, Carmel police officers Mike Calhoun and Paul Tomasi will remove the actual ballots from the security envelopes and hand them over to the private election company, Martin & Chapman of Anaheim, to be counted in the council chambers. A similar procedure will be followed with ballots as they arrive from the polling places at Sunset Center. (Voters who live north of Ocean Avenue will cast their ballots in the Bingham Room; those who live South of Ocean Avenue will vote in the Chapman Room.)

Vote-by-mail totals will be announced at 8 p.m., with the polling place vote expected to be counted by 9 p.m., and with all the candidates and their supporters on hand in the council chambers.

Afterward, a community-wide reception will be held in the Sunset Center lobby.

“All six candidates have informally agreed to be at city hall and at Sunset Center to honor each other and all the people who’ve worked so hard and been supportive during the campaign,” Talmage said.

The way the campaign has been run, “bodes well for for the community going forward” as it “works through some tough issues,” Burnett added.

Rock slide leads to Highway 1 delays

HIGHWAY 1 in Big Sur will be restricted to one-way traffic just south of Pitkins Curve this weekend as a result of a March 28 rock slide. The slide-prone curve, where a bridge and rock shed are under construction, is located about 56 miles south of Carmel.

According to Caltrans officials, the agency is working to remove rocks and debris from the pavement. Meanwhile, there are concerns the hillside above the road is unstable.

During the day, motorists can expect delays of 10 to 15 minutes. The highway will be closed nightly at the scene of the slide from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m. Both lanes of the scenic route were closed March 28-29 due to the slide.

Despite the slide, businesses north of the closure remain open.

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BEATLES

From page 1A

“John, George and Ringo were there.”

When she met the Beatles, Ortiz at first was perplexed by what they were saying. “Everybody spoke English, but their accent was very different than what we were used to Carmel Valley.”

Meanwhile, the Beatles were a bit confounded by the menu.

“It was an interesting experience,” Ortiz explained. “I could tell that a couple of them had not experienced Mexican food before. And we weren’t serving bangers and mash. They wanted to know every little detail about the food. Ringo definitely didn’t want anything very spicy.”

So if McCartney wasn’t there, what about Dylan? “It was very possible he was there,” offered Ortiz, who said she couldn’t be sure. “It was quite a large group. We put them in the front on the restaurant where the bigger parties sat.”

Also undetermined is the precise year the event happened. Baez, who also lived in the Carmel Highlands and spent considerable time in Big Sur, owned a house in Carmel Valley at least from 1963 to 1968. According to her website, Baez traveled with the Beatles “on a portion” of their 1964 U.S. tour, so she was no doubt acquainted with the band members early in their career. As a result, the meeting could have happened at any time over a five-year span, and could have coincided with one of the Beatles’ performances in the San Francisco Bay Area.

They played at the Cow Palace in Aug. 1965, and their final live concert famously occurred at San Francisco’s Candlestick Park on Aug. 29, 1966.

If Dylan was there at Plaza Linda, it’s likely the event happened sooner rather than later. Once romantically linked to Baez, Dylan married model Sara Lownds in November 1965 and suffered a horrific motorcycle accident the following summer

before entering a lengthy period of seclusion.

On the other hand, Diaz says the event happened “right after the Beatles got back from India.”

In early 1968, all four Beatles visited Maharishi Mahesh Yogi at his ashram in India. The visit was widely publicized. Starr and McCartney left after a brief period, while Lennon and Harrison stayed for nearly two months. So if the Beatles visited Carmel Valley in 1968, it’s unlikely Dylan was there with them.

According to a spokesperson, Baez is on tour in England and unavailable for comment.

Impressive list of celebrities

Baez and the Beatles aren’t the only celebrities who have enjoyed the home cooking at Plaza Linda. According to Diaz, an impressive roster of notables have visited the Carmel Valley Village restaurant, including Doris Day, Sting, Zsa Zsa Gabor, Alexander Hague, Michael Nesmith, Joan Fontaine, Merle Haggard, Y.A. Tittle, John Madden and Cheryl Teigs.

Unlike most of the restaurant’s famous visitors, Diaz described Baez as “a regular customer.” He said she helped convince the family to stop cooking beans with lard and add healthier options to the menu. Ortiz, meanwhile, recalled a time when a guest asked Baez to sing a song and she complied. “I remember her being very nice,” she said.

Looking back on the 43 years his family owned Plaza Linda, Diaz was struck by the changes in the community he witnessed over a span of more than four decades.

“When my parents opened the restaurant, a group of guys would ride their horses to Plaza Linda and come in for beer and tacos,” he recalled. “Then Joan would bring the hippies in, and there would be Volkswagens parked in out front with flowers painted on them. Later, we had BMWs and Lexus’s parked outside the restaurant. We watched the world change right in front of our eyes.”

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GUN CRIMES LEAVE HOUSESITTER MUGGED, PIZZA DELIVERY MAN ROBBED

By MARY SCHLEY

A ROBBER armed with a handgun stole money and an iPhone from a man before knocking him to the ground in front of his car Tuesday night, according to Pacific Grove Police Cmdr. John Nyunt. The assault came less than two weeks after another gun-toting suspect in Pacific Grove mugged a Domino's delivery man of his cash — and his pizzas.

Tuesday night shortly before 9, William Curtis, who was housesitting on 12th Street, decided to drive to the store for cigarettes. As he and his female companion approached their car, which was parked on Laurel Avenue, "he saw two Hispanic male adults in dark clothing walking toward him," Nyunt said.

The men split up, with one approaching Curtis on one side of the car, and the other walking up to the woman on the opposite side.

Holding what Curtis later described as a nickel-plated .38-caliber revolver, the suspect reportedly said, "This is a robbery, give me what's in your pockets," Nyunt said.

The suspect also ordered Curtis not to look at him, and when he turned away the robber reached into his pocket, stealing \$400 in cash and his iPhone. The suspect then demanded his wallet.

When Curtis didn't comply right away, "the man struck him on the back of the head

with what he thought was the gun," Nyunt said. "The blow was lighter than he expected, but he decided to fall to the ground, anyway."

At that point, both suspects ran and fled the area in a gray or silver sedan.

Curtis described his attacker as a male in his 20s with a thin mustache and dark clothing. "He couldn't recall any other descriptive features," Nyunt said, nor could he describe his accomplice.

The woman was not robbed, Nyunt said, and Curtis himself was uninjured from the blow to the head and fall.

'Give me the money and the pizzas'

Another man armed with a handgun, along with three accomplices, robbed Domino's Pizza delivery driver Sergio Torres shortly after midnight March 16, according to Nyunt. After receiving an order, Torres drove to a Piedmont Avenue residence off Moreland Avenue in the Arkwright Court area to deliver the food, despite the fact that he had earlier called the phone number from which the order supposedly originated and learned no one there had ordered a pizza.

"When he arrived, he saw it was very dark," Nyunt said. He got out of the car and was walking toward the home when four men stopped him.

"One male pointed a small metal-plated handgun at him and told him to give him the money and the pizzas," Nyunt said.

Torres described his aggressor as "light-

skinned," 5 foot 8 inches tall and thin, wearing a grey hooded sweatshirt and jeans. The others, who are all white as well, were wearing dark clothing and hooded sweatshirts, with the hoods pulled down over their eyes, leaving only the lower halves of their faces visible. One of them held a metal bat.

Torres gave the armed man the \$50 or \$60 in cash he was carrying and placed the pizza boxes on the ground, where another suspect

picked them up. All four then ran away in the direction of Arkwright Court, and Torres drove back to Domino's in Country Club Gate to call police, since the robbers had also stolen his iPhone, according to Nyunt.

"Since then, we asked for a court order on the phone number to get subscriber information and did some probation searches," he said. But so far, "we have not had any other significant leads."

Pine Cone office repeatedly vandalized

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

TWO WINDOWS were broken early Wednesday morning at the Carmel Pine Cone's production office on Lighthouse Avenue in downtown Pacific Grove. It was the second time this month someone has shot out windows at the building, an historic Victorian erected in 1915, the same year the newspaper was founded. The first attack was on March 3.

"We have no idea who's doing it and there's not much we can do about it except clean up and replace the windows," said Pine Cone publisher Paul Miller, who discovered the latest vandalism when he arrived for work March 28. "It wasn't done with a rock, but with some kind of projectile fired at high speed."

In all three instances, shards from the shattered windows flew into the rooms facing Lighthouse Avenue, landing on desks, chairs, computers and other equipment.

"If this happened when people were at work, they would definitely be injured," Miller said.

Pacific Grove police, led by Cmdr. John Nyunt, recovered evidence at the scene and are trying to identify the perpetrator. The building does not have surveillance cameras.

Over the past 15 years, there have been numerous instances when people disgruntled over the paper's news coverage of crimes, lawsuits, assaults, DUIs, drug arrests and other events have stolen large quantities of newspapers and vandalized distribution racks. "But this is the first time someone has attacked our office," Miller said.

P.G. museum has a lot to celebrate at 'Butterfly Ball'



Saturday night at the revitalized Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History (below right), a community ball will celebrate the opening of a major new exhibit to honor the town's famous butterflies (left), while also providing an opportunity for the museum's staff, including (right photo) executive director Lori Mannel and collections curator Paul Van de Carr, and exhibitions curator Annie Holdren (far right) to celebrate the museum's reaccreditation by the Association of American Museums, which was announced this week.

"It's an honor received by only 778 of more than 17,000 museums in America, and demonstrates that the P.G. museum is fulfilling its vision of being a strong and professional resource for Central California," Mannel said. Not only that, but the museum has improved its exhibit space and native plant garden, started offering weekend science programs for young people, launched a program to train students in field research, diversified its funding sources and even expanded its gift shop — all significant achievements since the city was forced to slash museum funding five years ago because of the recession.

The March 31 party begins at 6 p.m. and will feature live music, dancing, an open bar, silent auction and door prizes, not to mention a preview of the new Monarch Butterfly exhibit. Advanced tickets are \$50 for museum members and \$100 for the general public (\$75 and \$125 at the door) and are available by calling (831) 648-5716 or going to www.pgmuseum.org.



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Violin and piano duo performs Beethoven, Bach and Frank

By CHRIS COUNTS

ELECTRIFYING AUDIENCES around the world for nearly a decade, the duo of violinist Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg and pianist Anne-Marie McDermott perform Sunday, April 1, at Sunset Center.

The Italian-born Salerno-Sonnenberg, who grew up in the United States, burst onto the classical music scene in 1981 when she became the youngest-ever prize winner in the prestigious Walter W. Naumburg International Violin Competition. A dazzling instrumentalist, she has been featured on The Tonight Show with Johnny Carson and 60 Minutes.

"This concert is not to be missed," suggested Peter Tuff, executive director of the Carmel Music Society, which is presenting the concert. "Nadja is a passionate performer characterized by her high energy. She was last in Carmel in 2004 and a lot of people are excited to hear her again."

McDermott, meanwhile, is a gifted pianist who has received many laurels for her musical accomplishments, including the Joseph Kalichstein Piano Prize and the Andrew Wolf Memorial Chamber Music Award. She has also received rave reviews for her recordings, which include the complete works for piano and orchestra of George Gershwin.

At Sunset Center, the duo will perform Bach's Sonata for violin and keyboard No. 3 in E major, BWV 1016; Beethoven's Sonata in D Major, Op. 12, No. 1 for violin and piano; and Frank's Sonata in A major for violin and piano. "It's a beautifully balanced program, from the Baroque to the Classical to the Romantic," Tuff added.

The concert starts at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$40 to \$60 for reserved seats, \$10 for students and a limited number of free tickets are available for K-12 students if accompanied by an adult. Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth.

Up next for the Carmel Music Society is a performance by the Pavel Haas String Quartet, Friday, April 20, at All Saints Church.

For tickets or more information, call (831) 625-9938 or visit www.carmelmusic.org.



Violinist Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg returns April 1 to Carmel, where she will be accompanied by pianist Anne-Marie McDermott. The duo will perform a program of music by Bach, Beethoven and Frank.

Cypress Inn pays tribute to Doris Day's birthday

By CHRIS COUNTS

A TALENTED duo — vocalist **Laura Didier** and pianist **Jim Martinez** — return Tuesday, April 3, to Cypress Inn for their annual birthday tribute to entertainment legend and longtime Carmel Valley resident **Doris Day**.

"We adore Doris," said Didier, who lives in North Carolina. "We're great admirers of her music and her movies. She's been a wonderful supporter of what we do, and we're honored to be invited back."

The duo staged their first Day tribute concert in February 2009. Four months later, they performed it in Carmel. More recently, they did a two-week run of the show in Branson, Missouri.

Tuesday's birthday celebration will feature 5:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. performances.

"We realized the first time we played at Cypress Inn that one show isn't enough," Didier explained. "We want to accommodate as many folks as possible."

Considered by at least one survey to be the biggest female box office star of all-time, Day — who turns 88 this week — has lived in Carmel since 1981. She reportedly fell in love with the town in 1956 when the movie she starred in, "Julie," was filmed here. More recently, she's been widely recognized for her efforts to rehabilitate abused and neglected pets, and



On Doris Day's birthday, April 3, at the Cypress Inn, vocalist Laura Didier and pianist Jim Martinez will play the music that made America's Sweetheart famous.

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Holy Saturday—April 7
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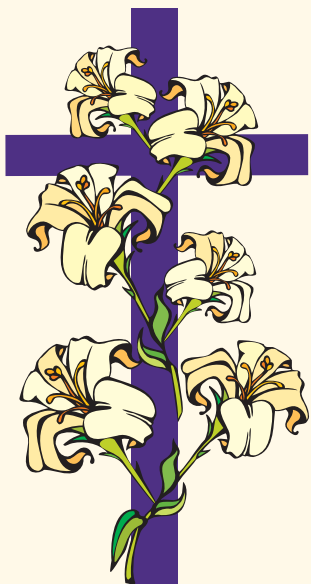
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CHS students offer ‘Cuckoo’s Nest

By CHRIS COUNTS

OFFERING A shocking portrayal of life inside the walls of a mental institution, a theatrical version of “One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest” opens Friday, March 30, at Carmel High School’s Black Box Theater.

Based on the 1962 novel by Ken Kesey, “One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest” tells the story of colorful and rebellious mental patient, Randall McMurphy, who fakes insanity to avoid a stiff prison sentence.

The novel was adapted into a Broadway play in 1963. The 1975 screen version — which starred Jack Nicholson as McMurphy — was a box office hit that won five Academy Awards.

Directed by Carmel High senior **Matt Pardue**, the play features a cast of students, including **Nate Mandurrago** as McMurphy, **Erika Lygren** as Nurse Ratched, **Chad Medel** as Billy, **Jack Clifford** as Martini, **Devon Hayes** as Cheswick and **Will Glover** as Chief Bromden.

The play will also be performed Saturday, March 31 (7 p.m.); Sunday, April 1 (2 and 7 p.m.); Thursday, April 5 (7:30 p.m.) and Friday, April 6 (7 p.m.).

Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students, seniors and active military. For more information, call (831) 624-1821 or visit www.carmelunified.org.

■ ‘Paris is Paris is Paris’

A local play about expatriate poet and art collector Gertrude Stein, “Paris is Paris is Paris,” closes this weekend after a three-week run at the Cherry Center for the Arts.

Written and directed by Carmel resident **Tom Parks** and starring **Carol Daly** as Stein, the play will be presented Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 30-April 1.

Friday and Saturday performances begin at 7:30 p.m., while Sunday matinees start at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$25. The Cherry Center is located at Fourth and Guadalupe. For tickets, call (831) 620-2163 or visit www.ticketguys.com.

■ ‘Shake, Rattle and Roll’

PacRep Theatre stages its annual spring fundraiser and gala, “Shake, Rattle and Roll to the ‘50s,” Saturday, March 31, in the Ferrante Room at the Monterey Marriott.

The event will include a three-course dinner, wine, live and silent auctions, and dancing to 1950s rock ’n’ roll by the **Scott Brown Ensemble**. **Lydia Lyons**, **Davitt Felder** and **Daniel Simpson** will make special guest appearances, portraying a variety of rock ’n’ roll pioneers. The fundraiser starts at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$125 each. Call (831) 622-0100 or go to www.pacrep.org.

WRAUSMANN

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Inn, said Wrausmann always started her tours in the hotel courtyard at 10 a.m. and often interacted with his staff and guests.

“She had at any one time 10 or 15 people going on the walks with her, and she always had good reviews of her walks,” he said. “People seemed to enjoy it. We had many hotel guests participate, and guests from other hotels, too.”

Lloyd said he didn’t know Wrausmann particularly well, other than exchanging a “Hello,” from time to time, but she often interacted with The Pine Inn’s workers.

“She was a very nice person,” he said. “My entire staffed liked her — she was very well liked and respected.”

An idea is born

Born in St. Louis, Mo., on Oct. 14, 1946, Wrausmann received a bachelor’s degree in math and an MBA from UC Berkeley. She worked as a marketing executive at Digital Equipment and Bank of America in San Francisco.

Wrausmann was also an avid golfer who won a division of the California State Women’s Amateur at Pebble Beach in 1976 with well known golf instructor Laird Small as her caddie.

But her passion for photography was strong enough to entice her away from San Francisco’s corporate world to Carmel.

Her images of the village won international awards, as well as exhibition space in museums and galleries across the country, according to her sister, Jeanne Ebanks, and Ajan remembered seeing newspaper articles about Wrausmann on both coasts.

It was while photographing the town for a book concept in the early 1990s that the idea of her walking tours began to take shape.

“She befriended many of Carmel’s most prominent art figures and lined her bookshelves with historical books and periodicals as part of her research into the town’s history,” Ebanks said. “As she researched her book, she arrived at the idea for Carmel

Walks, which showcased the history and culture of the town, and attracted thousands of visitors over the years.”

Her tours focused on making the city intriguing and accessible to everyone, and they grew in popularity as the years passed, attracting residents who wanted to learn more about their hometown, as well as visitors from across the country and overseas. Ultimately, her operation was ranked Carmel’s No. 1 Tour by TripAdvisor.

Ebanks pointed out the city has lost “a piece of its own history and one of its great storytellers,” with Wrausmann’s death.

“She was really a treasure in Carmel,” Ajan said. “I’m so sorry to not see her anymore, but I feel very fortunate to have known Gale. She was a lovely, lovely person.”

Wrausmann’s family will be spreading her ashes during a private ceremony and may honor her with a photographic retrospective of her work at a later date, according to Ebanks.

LIBRARY

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provides assistance with GED preparation as well as preparation for the US Citizenship test. Job seekers can get help with their resumes and access career resources.

The library receives detailed monthly reports on usage and user satisfaction, including a five-question survey that follows each live tutoring session. Questions include “Is this service helping you improve your grades?” and “If you received homework help, did this service help you complete your homework assignment?” Bombard recalls that “every time, all the answers to the survey are ‘yes’” — meaning 100% user satisfaction with the service.

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EASTER WORSHIP

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Palm Procession at 9:15 AM, 11:00 AM, and 12:45 PM Masses
Communal Reconciliation Service ~ Wednesday, April 4, 2012 7:00 PM ~ Basilica

Holy Thursday ~ April 5, 2012
Morning Prayer: 9:30 AM (Blessed Sacrament Chapel)
Mass of the Lord’s Supper: 7:00 PM (Basilica) followed by Adoration (Blessed Sacrament Chapel- closes at 11:00 PM)


Good Friday ~ April 6, 2012
Morning Prayer: 9:30 AM (Blessed Sacrament Chapel)
Stations of the Cross: 1:00 PM followed by Celebration of the Lord’s Passion: 2:00 PM ~ Basilica

Tenebrae 7:30 PM ~ Basilica

Holy Saturday ~ April 7, 2012
Morning Prayer: 9:30 AM (Blessed Sacrament Chapel)
Easter Vigil Solemn Mass: 8:30 PM

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Good Friday • April 6 • 12:00 noon
Holy Eucharist from the reserve sacrament

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Holy Eucharist • Agape Feast and adding flowers to the cross (flowers provided)

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FOOD & WINE

PBF&W No. 5 AND EXCEPTIONAL EASTER

By MARY SCHLEY

IT'S BEEN half a decade since Robert Weakley and David Bernahl collaborated with the Pebble Beach Co. and a handful of dedicated sponsors to unleash the extravagant foodies' dream weekend known as the Pebble Beach Food & Wine, and while the team at Coastal Luxury Management has gone on to launch a similar culinary homage in Los Angeles, open a pair of restaurants on the Monterey Peninsula and throw big parties in other states, the PBF&W remains at the top of the pyramid in status, offerings and organization.

Where they once wooed the nation's top chefs and wineries to participate, they now field requests from those same celebrities seeking a return to one of the best food and wine events in the world. Everyone has grown wise, it seems, to the logic behind cooking for, talking to, pouring wine for and hobnobbing with dedicated, well heeled crowds in one of the most beautiful and highly prized places on the planet.

The fifth annual Pebble Beach Food & Wine begins with an opening night reception at Spanish Bay the Thursday after Easter, April 12, and runs through Sunday, April 15. The four-day fest includes cooking demonstrations, wine tastings, lunches, dinners and two Grand Tastings featuring dozens of chefs and hundreds of wineries ready to satisfy the masses.

The lineup boasts many familiar names and repeat guests:

legendary Jacques Pepin, chef Todd English, cheese diva Laura Werlin, Michelin star winners Daniel Boulud and Christopher Kostow, the famed French Laundry's Thomas Keller (who will be feted during a special tribute dinner that will include esteemed colleagues and an exclusive short film about his life), Michael Chiarello, and TV stars Tyler Florence, Guy Fieri and Anne Burrell, among many others. They will be demonstrating their talents during individual cooking demos, as well as at lunches, dinners and the Grand Tastings.

Topics, meanwhile, change from year to year, though some central themes remain. While Werlin is back for her third PBF&W to wax eloquent and funny about cheese and wine, and Food & Wine Magazine's Best New Chefs Alumni are cooking dinner Saturday night, new this year are alluring options like the Carmel Cheese Shop's Kent Torrey pairing rare wines and perfect cheeses, a class on Culinary Cocktails, a lunch entitled Farewell to Foie Gras, a chocolate-and-wine pairing, a discussion of "How the Pros Hunt for Wine Treasures," focus on various obscure varietals, a tasting of first-growth Bordeaux from 1982, dessert wines, sparkling rosés from around the world, and even "Date Night: He Said, She Said," with master sommelier Andrea Robinson and her partner in crime, John Robinson.

Several offerings, such as the celebrity golf tournament April 12, the "Sommelier Secrets" blind tastings of red and white wines, the Swine & Wine pairing of pig and Pinot Noir, The Iron Chef dinner and A Day in Italy lunch are already sold out.

Organizers highlighted the Farewell to Foie, in particular, on the eve of California's ban on the delicacy set to take effect this summer. Michael Ginor of Hudson Valley Foie Gras will share his insights on the rich and prized goose liver, which will shine in the hands of chefs Andre Bienvenu, Chris Cosentino and others at the Friday, April 13, lunch. Tickets are \$200 apiece.

Meanwhile, \$1,250 will get you a seat at the Grand Finale dinner featuring vintage Dom Pérignon and exquisite courses from chefs Josiah Citrin (Mélisse, Santa Monica), Tyler Florence (Wayfare Tavern, Mill Valley) and Sherry Yard (Spago, Beverly Hills).

Weakley and Bernahl often tout the Lexus Grand Tastings Saturday and Sunday afternoons as the best bang for the buck, considering two dozen star chefs and 200 wineries gather in the 60,000-square-foot tent at the Pebble Beach Equestrian Center. Tickets for the Grand Tastings are \$195



World-famous chef Jacques Pepin (at left) is one of the superstars who are participating in this year's Pebble Beach Food & Wine.

per person.

Overall, prices range from \$100 for a single event, to \$4,750 for the VIP four-day pass. For a full lineup and to buy tickets, visit www.pebblebeachfoodandwine.com or call (866) 907-FOOD (3663).

■ Extensive Easter extravagances

With its wide array of beautiful restaurants and talented chefs, the Monterey Peninsula offers a bounty of options for Easter brunch, from rustic Tarpy's, to elegant Aubergine.

At the restaurant in L'Auberge Carmel on Monte Verde Street north of Seventh Avenue, executive chef Justin Cogley will present hors d'oeuvres buffet style and entrees at the table, while executive pastry chef Ron Mendoza will showcase his talents in desserts and sweets. The Easter Sunday feast will begin with stations of *fruits de mer*, and charcuterie and cheese, followed by entree choices of roasted ribeye, asparagus and scallops, John Dory with green peas, or lamb with fava beans. Aubergine's celebratory meal will be offered from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. for \$75 per person (kids 12 and under, \$32), plus service and tax. Call (831) 624-8578 or visit www.auberginecarmel.com.

Down the coast a bit at Pacific's Edge in the Hyatt Carmel Highlands, live piano will accompany executive chef Matt Bolton's brunch buffet from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Prime rib and roasted leg of lamb will be served at carving stations, while a chilled seafood display will comprise ceviche, mussels, jumbo prawns, crab and oysters. Cooks at stations through-

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out the restaurant will create omelets with traditional fillings and waffles according to guests' orders. Add to those a variety of Eggs Benedict, handmade desserts and petits fours, and artisanal cheeses, and the feast is complete. The cost is \$75 per person, plus tax and an 18 percent service charge (\$35 for children ages 5 to 12). To reserve, call (831) 622-5445 or visit www.pacificsedg.com.

At the lively Rio Grill, where executive chef Cy Yontz shows off his distinctly Southwestern flair, Easter brunch will be celebrated with passion fruit Mimosas and signature Bloody Marys, as well as special a la carte offerings of Mexican cinnamon-egg-battered Texas Toast with mixed berries, hand-carved leg of lamb with tomato-mint chutney and Hatch chile scalloped potatoes, Eggs Benedict with smoked salmon and bacon with blackened Serrano chile hollandaise, a spring frittata, blue corn and piñón pancakes,

poached salmon with dill crème fraîche and chorizo-sweet potato hash, and huevos rancheros. Brunch will be offered in the Crossroads restaurant from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call (831) 625-5436 or visit www.riogrill.com.

In Monterey on Highway 68 at Canyon del Rey, Tarp's Roadhouse will hold an egg hunt at 9:30 a.m. for kids who have breakfast reservations thereat 10. When it comes to special food and libation that day, the restaurant will offer a Pink Bunny cocktail of Absolut Citron, sweet and sour, and guava juice, while the menu will include grilled vegetable quiche with mixed greens, vegetarian penne rigate, seafood pasta, chili-encrusted mahi mahi with relish, and grilled Colorado buffalo strip loin with a cherry-port reduction over scallion whipped potatoes. To make a reservation, go to www.tarpys.com or call (831) 647-1444.

Over the hill in Pacific Grove, Fandango will serve prix fixe brunch from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The first course will be mushroom velouté, followed by main-course options

of Leg of Lamb Provencal, honey-glazed baked ham, fresh salmon with hollandaise, Eggs Benedict Florentine, cheese blintzes or Basque Salad, and for dessert, a melba of fresh berries with vanilla ice cream, or Profiteroles au Chocolat. Easter brunch is \$34.75 plus tax and gratuity for adults (children 12 and under, \$18.75.) Reservations are required. Call (831) 372-3456.



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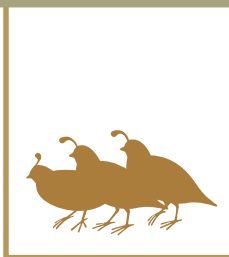
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MUSIC

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Last year, “America’s Sweetheart” released her first album of new material in nearly two decades. The record, “My Heart,” peaked at No. 9 on the UK album charts. Sony Masterworks, meanwhile, will release a 2-CD compilation of her music April 3, which will coincide with the release by Warner Home Video of a 4-DVD collection of Day’s live performances.

Also performing this week at Cypress Inn is pianist **Dick Whittington**, who will be joined Saturday, March 31, by bassist **Dan Robbins**. The duo will pay tribute to the music of composer George Gershwin.

The music starts at 7:30 p.m. and there’s no cover. The famously pet-friendly Cypress Inn is located on the northeast corner of Lincoln and Seventh. For more information, call (831) 624-3871.

In Carmel Valley, it’s another busy week-end of live music at Plaza Linda (see page one for a story about its colorful history). Bluesy singer-songwriter **Jeffrey Halford** takes the stage Friday, March 30, at 5 p.m. **Monika and Adam Greenaway**, who serve up a tasty mix of folk, jazz and pop, perform Saturday, March 31, at 7 p.m. And witty singer-songwriter **James Hurley** returns there Sunday, April 1, at 6 p.m.

There’s a \$10 cover. Plaza Linda is located at 9 Del Fino Place. For more information, call (831) 659-4229.

Also in Carmel Valley, solo classical guitarist **Mark Teicholz** performs Saturday, March 31 at the Magic Circle Theatre, which is located at 8 El Caminito Road. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. and tickets are \$20. For more information, call (831) 659-7500.

Down the coast at Fernwood Resort, **Nearly Beloved** — an eclectic San Francisco-based bluegrass band — shares the bill Saturday, March 31, with Big Sur’s **Songs Harry Hotbox Taught Us**, who specialize in retro-country and early rock ‘n’ roll. Big Sur singer-songwriter **Levi Strom** plays at Fernwood Wednesday, April 4. Also performing will be **This Frontier Needs Heroes** and **The Blank Tapes**.

The music starts at 9 p.m. There’s no cover. Fernwood is located on Highway 1 about 25 miles south of Carmel. For more information, call (831) 667-2422.

And in Pacific Grove, singer-songwriters **Scott Musick** and **Jim Lewin** play Saturday, March 31, at The Works. Musick was a founding member of the Santa Cruz-based new wave band, The Call, while Lewin plays with Great American Taxi. Musick and Lewin will be joined at The Works by bassist **Mike Sugar**.

The show begins at 7:30 p.m. There’s a \$10 cover. The Works is located at 667 Lighthouse Ave.

BRUCE MOHR POWELL SURTEES

August 3, 1937 – February 23, 2012

Bruce Mohr Powell Surtees, an award winning cinematographer, died at Community Hospital of Monterey Peninsula on February 23, 2012. He was 74. His long battle with diabetes caught up with him and he went peacefully. He was a kind and generous man, funny and fearless. He learned to sail when he was a child and loved being a sailor for most of his life. As a teenager in Malibu, he made his way into the surfing history books. He adored the ocean and found Carmel Beach to be his favorite.

Bruce had a brilliant mind and a lovely, creative eye. He learned the craft of film making from his father Robert Surtees and then went on to turn Hollywood on its ear. He received many awards and nominations over the years of his career. He was nominated for an academy award when he photographed “Lenny”. He was very proud of that film. He adored black and white photography and always said that his favorite color was gray.

His association with Clint Eastwood at Malpaso Productions presented some of the finest films recorded in cinematic history. He loved that time of his life. He traveled to every corner of the world and worked with hundreds of fine artists. He always had wonderful stories about his adventures. His eyes would twinkle when he told them.

Bruce was a friend to all dogs. He loved his dog, Fabio Jazz, a black standard poodle. They could be seen together cruising the sidewalk café’s and dining in the garden at Cypress Inn.

He is survived by his daughter Suzanne Surtees of Los Angeles, Ca., his beloved girlfriend Denise Slate of Carmel, Ca., his brother Tom Surtees of Marina, Ca., and his sister Nancy Corby of Murrieta, Ca. He is also survived by many wonderful lifelong friends.

A memorial service is pending at this time. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to The American Diabetes Association.

Rosemary George

February 12, 1928 ~ February 27, 2012

Rosemary George, 84, a long time resident of Carmel Valley, passed away peacefully from natural causes on February 27, 2012. She was preceded in death by her husband Lt. Col. Jack George and sister Kay Cotter Doig. She is survived by her daughter Lori George of Monterey, son Sean George of Los Angeles, granddaughter Joanna George of France, brother Tom Cotter, nieces Mary Ann Cotter and Pam Doig.

Rosemary was born in Broadwater County, Montana where she grew up on a farm. Among her many chores, Rosemary helped run a team of horses during seasonal plantings. School in her early years (between grades 1-8) was held in a one room schoolhouse. After high school, Rosemary headed off to the University of Montana where she was a member of the Delta Gamma Sorority and graduated with a Bachelors degree in Social Work and Economics.

When the Korean War broke out, a call went out for Red Cross social workers to assist in the Far East. At age 22 Rosemary joined the Red Cross and served a tour of duty in Yokohama, Japan. She was later stationed in Frankfurt, Germany where she met and later married Army Captain Jack George. The couple moved to Ft. Reilly, Kansas where Rosemary next earned a Masters degree in Social Work from the University of Kansas.

Next, she worked for the Bureau of Indian Affairs where she was a “white knuckle” flyer. This entailed riding with bush pilots into remote Eskimo villages in Alaska.

In 1969, the George family moved to Carmel Valley. For the next 20 years, Rosemary worked as a psychiatric social worker for the California Dept. of Mental Health in Monterey County. She played an integral role with her clients at San Andreas Regional Center, Gateway Center and in the development of Interim, Inc.

While working for the State Rosemary earned a doctorate in Human Sexuality from the “Institute for Advanced Study of Human Sexuality” in San Francisco and became a licensed sex therapist with her own practice.

In her last two years working with the State of California, Rosemary counseled inmates within Soledad maximum security prison. The job required that she qualify as a peace officer and be able to shoot a pistol, rifle and shotgun - a most unusual requirement for a social worker at age 54.

Rosemary went on to work for several other agencies before retiring after more than 50 years as a social worker. She always said, “I never dreaded going into work one day!” Rosemary will be missed by all who knew her and remembered most for her kind words to everyone she met, her generosity, and her happy outlook on life.

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MONTEREY COUNTY will receive \$32.5 million from the California Transportation Commission to help pay for improvements to Highway 156, reported city councilman Jason Burnett, who serves as Carmel's representative to the Transportation Agency for Monterey County.

The money will be used to get work started on expanding Highway 156 to four lanes. About \$4.5 million will pay for engineering, while \$28 million will be used to help acquire necessary right-of-ways.

"Visitors who come here have a wonderful time, but then they often sit in hours of traffic going home to the San Francisco Bay Area, leaving them with a bad taste in their mouths," Burnett said. "Improving Highway 156 by making it four lanes will reduce this congestion."

Burnett said the plan to improve the route has the support of Congressman Sam Farr, Assemblyman Bill Monning and supervisors Dave Potter and Lou Calcagno.

Funding for actual construction of the \$109 million project has not been finalized, but it could be begin as early as 2014 and be completed by the end of the decade.



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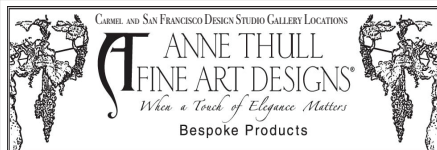
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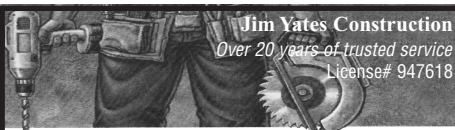
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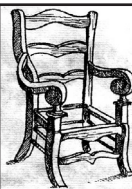
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March 31 - Science Saturday: Butterflies and Bees. Enjoy hands-on science activities at any time during this free drop-in event. This Science Saturday focuses on butterflies and bees. Taste honey varieties, make beeswax candles, ask questions of a beekeeper and enjoy the Museum's new "Monarchs come Home" exhibition. Saturday, March 31, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History, 165

Forest Avenue, Pacific Grove. www.PGMuseum.org.

March 31 - Ensemble Monterey presents "April Fools" Saturday, March 31, 8 p.m., in the Monterey Peninsula College Music Hall and on Sunday, April 1, at 7 p.m. at the Cabrillo College Recital Hall. Neither venue will ever be the same. To double your pleasure, come 1 hour early for a complimentary pre-concert talk and reception with the group's semiconductor, Dr. John Anderson. (831) 333-1283, www.Ensemble-Monterey.org.

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April 14 - Lecture: Collection Obsession, Saturday, April 14, 3 p.m. Why does a person collect something? Perhaps you've wondered. But why does a person collect nothing - and lots and lots of it? William Davies King, author of *Collections of Nothing* (one of Amazon's "best books of 2008"), and Professor of Theater at UC Santa Barbara, is a collector of tons of "nothing" and has thought deeply about the phenomenon of collecting, even into its extreme corners. With fun and quirky humor, he describes his collection, introduces some of the ideas he has evolved about collecting, and leads a discussion of the whole bulky business and its enthusiasts. This lecture is free for museum members; \$5 for the general public. Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History, 165 Forest Avenue, Pacific Grove.

April 14 - Smart Gardening Fair 2012, Saturday, April 14, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (adjacent to Crossroads Carmel) Presented by Monterey Bay Master Gardeners. A colorful marketplace of "all things gardening." Speakers, demonstrations, plant sales, garden-related goods and services. Children's activities. Focus on sustainable and water-wise practices. Garden clubs and organizations share their knowledge and passions.

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SPORTS

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With the two teams tied in the top of the seventh inning, **Angelina Savoldi** singled, stole second base, and scored what turned out to be the winning run on a single by Young.

Carmel High was again paced by Franklin, who had three hits in three trips to the plate. She got help from Savoldi and Young, who had two hits each, and **Nicole Caoili**, who drove in two runs.

Again, it was the Padres’ pitching that carried the day. After keeping the Mariners off the scoreboard for the first four frames, the home team rallied to score three times in the bottom of the fifth inning. But **Brianna Harris** came out of the bullpen to replace starter **Bonnie Burns**, and held Aptos High in check the rest of the way.

A day earlier, the girls traveled to King City High for their league opener, where they defeated the Mustangs in a game that was much closer than the score indicated.

“It’s always a tough matchup when we play in King City,” Franklin said.

The Mustangs led off the bottom of the first inning with a home run and held a 1-0 lead after five innings. But in the sixth inning, the Padres finally figured out King City starter **Larissa Perez**, a finesse pitcher who had kept the visitors off-balanced for most of the game. “We settled down and made some adjustments,” Franklin noted.

Starting pitcher File went the distance for Carmel High, yielding six hits and five walks, but striking out an impressive 13 batters.

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‘The two teams are very evenly matched. It’s going to be a tough battle.’

Igniting the offense were Franklin and **Kaylee Vandenberg**, who each had a pair of hits. Young drove in two runs, while Savoldi scored twice.

The softball team is now 2-0 in league play and 8-0 overall. The Padres travel to Pacific Grove High Friday, March 30. The game starts at 6 p.m.

“The two teams are very evenly matched in terms of talent,” Franklin added. “Pacific Grove only lost one game and they’re fired up. It’s going to be a tough battle.”

CHS baseball wins 5th straight

The Carmel High baseball team won its fifth game in a row March 28, cruising to a 17-4 win over host Gonzales High.

A two-run homer by **Martin Enriquez**, meanwhile, proved to be the difference March 23 as the

Padres defeated King City High, 5-3. Playing on the road, the Padres defeated the Mustangs for the second time in three days.

Down 2-1 in the top of the fourth inning, Enriquez put Carmel High ahead with his timely swing. Also pacing the Padres’ offense were **Devin Pearson**, who walked twice and scored two runs, and **Matt Rudolph**, who had two hits including a triple.

Trevin Tapson got the win for Carmel High, surrendering three hits, three walks and two earned runs in five innings of work. He also struck out four batters. **Brandon Nguyen** pitched the final two frames, giving up a hit, two walks and an unearned run.

The Padres are 6-1 in league play and 8-2 overall. They play again Friday March 30 against Gonzales High at home. The game starts at 4 p.m.

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State parks seeks input on Point Lobos Ranch, three other parks

SOLICITING PUBLIC input on the future of its Carmel area properties, the California Department of Parks and Recreation will host the first of several public workshops Wednesday, April 18, 6 p.m., at Rancho Cañada Golf Club in Carmel Valley. The agency is working on a new general plan that will guide the development and use of four properties in the Monterey district — Point Lobos State Reserve, Carmel River State Beach, Point Lobos Ranch and Hatton Canyon.

State park officials say they can’t open Point Lobos Ranch to the public until the general plan is completed. Last year, a suggestion by officials to permit a concessionaire to operate a zip-line in the park drew fire from environmentalists. The zip-line proposal, along with plans for a visitors center, will likely be a subject of debate at the workshop.

Also hindering the future park’s development is its lack of parking. Currently, many visitors to the Point Lobos State Reserve park along Highway 1, a practice that some consider dangerous.

Using Proposition 117 funds, the 1,300-acre ranch was purchased for \$13 million in a series of transactions ending in 2006. Officials say that once the general plan is completed, the park could be opened to the public within a year or two.

The hearings are likely to include some discussion of a visitors center as well.

A year ago, the Point Lobos Foundation agreed to contribute up to \$250,000 to fund a general plan for all the state parkland located in the Monterey Ranger District.

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Editorial

What wasn't said at the Supreme Court

THE NATION'S attention was focussed this week on a group of nine men and women with enormous power who were considering an issue of momentous importance. That's what all the reports out of Washington said this week. They were half right.

Because the justices of the U.S. Supreme Court are empowered to overturn laws passed by Congress and approved by the President if they find that those laws violate the U.S. Constitution, it's true that the justices are very powerful. But the question before them this week may not turn out to be so much, after all.

That's because the impact of the part of President Barack Obama's Affordable Care Act that's getting the most attention is definitely not the most important part of that 2,700-page law. What's really important is the law's enormous cost. And that's something that hardly came up this week.

Instead, the justices were occupied with the question of whether a small part of the law — that people must buy health insurance — is Constitutional. Obviously, it isn't. On the other hand, the Obamacare law hardly makes anyone actually buy health insurance, so the number of people affected is small.

You may have heard that more than 40 million Americans lack health insurance, so you might well have been thinking as you listened to news coverage from the Supreme Court that all these multitudes would have to start buying health insurance if the court let the Obamacare law stand. Far from it.

As was explained in one of the earlier appeals court rulings on the health care law, the uninsured in this country fall into four groups:

■ Illegal immigrants, who go without health care or get it at free clinics and emergency rooms. Their status is unchanged under Obamacare.

■ People who can't afford private health insurance but are not poor enough to qualify for Medicaid. These people (about 6 million) will get free health coverage under Obamacare courtesy of taxpayers.

■ People who would like to have private health insurance and could afford to pay for it if they were charged the same premiums as healthy people, but don't qualify for private insurance because they have a chronic illness or disability, or would be priced out of the health insurance market by being charged premiums commensurate with their expected health care costs. Obamacare requires private health insurance companies to accept these people as policyholders and charge them low rates.

That leaves just one small group of people who will be forced to buy something they have chosen not to buy but could afford: young healthy people who don't sign up for health insurance because they don't think they'll get sick anytime soon and would rather use the money that would go to premiums for something else. The Supreme Court spent a lot of time talking about this group.

But much more important to the public is that Obamacare's generosity is now projected to cost \$1.76 trillion over the next ten years. And you can bet it's going to cost a lot more.

So while this week's Supreme Court debate was fascinating, it didn't really go to the heart of the matter.

Which puts the ball back in the court of Congress and the President. Of course, it would be wonderful if, for the first time in human history, hundreds of millions of people would have equal access to top-quality health care, regardless of their income, age or health. But we haven't heard any realistic discussion about how the country is going to pay for it.

BEST of BATES



"Officer, I can't find my car. It should be easy to find. It's a white Toyota parked in front of an art gallery."

Letters to the Editor

School painted in 'negative light'
Dear Editor,

After reading many articles published in the Carmel Pine Cone painting Junipero Serra School in a negative light, I could no longer sit silent. The latest was a front page, one-sided piece by Kelly Nix that used inflammatory language to make the story more dramatic. The merits of that particular situation will eventually come to light but my purpose in writing is to express support and gratitude to a school and administration that works tirelessly to provide an excellent academic and social setting for their students. I have two children who attend JSS and my family has been part of the JSS family for 8 years now. In my opinion you are reporting the wrong "news." It is news when our school community hosts a pink pancake breakfast in support of our beloved principal who was diagnosed with breast cancer last year. It is news when collectively we sponsor needy families providing them with presents and cheer at Christmas time. It is news when our middle school students prepare, serve and enjoy a meal with the homeless men of the I-Help program. It is news when our students achieve academic success with a win at the Monterey County Science Fair. While I understand the angle of reporting when something goes wrong, I am frustrated by the lack of balance you show.

I hope that in the future you remember that there are 200 plus children and their parents who are a part of this community and are impacted by the choices you make. I suggest you work less on sensationalism and more on accuracy. After all, The Pine Cone is a newspaper, not a novel.

Corine Mink, Carmel

'So much misinformation'
Dear Editor,

Like so much misinformation we get in the media, your editorial last week about the coastal commission/golf course court decision makes me wonder if you actually read your own news article, which makes it pretty clear that the property owners continued to drag their feet on compliance with the coastal commission for 5 years after losing their appeal in the California Supreme Court.

While I am sure that no news report can adequately capture "three days of highly detailed court testimony," your editorial is basically a diatribe against the coastal commission, couched in language like: "the infamous agency;" the government people were "out of their ever lovin' minds;" references to Joseph Stalin and Saturday Night Live; and "any reasonable person would have done exactly what the Feduniaks did."

Clearly, not all government action is good or appropriate action. But our coastline is an irreplaceable resource for people's pleasure, life enrichment, and yes, peace of mind. And I am happy that we have government to protect it in perpetuity, even though they don't always get it right.

Ron Nelson, Pebble Beach

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I SYMPATHIZE with Rich Pepe. The gentleman hasn't voted since the Nixon Administration, but he suddenly got inspired to register when he was forced by election law to sign up after he got the itch to run for Carmel mayor.

Same sort of thing happened to me. It all started with that sumbitch Nixon.

Forty-two years ago, as you'll recall, Richard Nixon committed yet another unpardonable blunder by allowing 18-year-olds to cast ballots in elections.

The thinking was that if an 18-year-old is mature enough to take a communist bullet, he/she should be accorded the chance to vote for the jackass who would send him to Vietnam.

At the time, Nixon was having issues with the youngsters (i.e., the under-50 crowd). Those darn hippies seemed so happy and free, taking to the streets, burning their draft cards and making a lot of silly demands. Nixon was so flustered by it all that he once actually took his shoes off while strolling the beach in San Clemente.

And so, in one of the great political acts of mollification, Nixon eventually signed the 26th Amendment, which allowed whippersnappers to cast ballots like real adults.

I happened to turn 18 several months before the first election in which whippersnappers were eligible to vote. And that election happened to be a municipal affair in the godforsaken hellhole in which I happened to be living.

So I did what any typical goofball 18-year-old might do. I registered to vote. And I threw my hat in the ring. I became a candidate for El Centro City Council.

At the time, I possessed an 18-year-old's understanding of municipal operations. I was vaguely aware that cities had

"limits" because I had seen the City Limit signs at the edge of town. I also knew enough to know that the City Council met every week — its activities typically took up a lot of space in the local newspaper. And sometimes the City Council did something that pissed off old people. Beyond all that, I was clueless.

My campaign manager was an old friend who aspired to be a famous politician. He threw up several home-made signs that included the words VOTE FOR LIVERNOIS, along with my campaign slogan: "Because I Can."

The entire campaign was financed by a generous \$50 contribution from a true believer who honestly thought I was the best man for the job. And for that, I'll always be indebted to my Grandma Sue.

As a bona fide candidate, I was invited to participate in a debate, sponsored by the local radio station. The radio reporter asked me whether I was an advocate of city expansion or if I preferred in-fill development. What fol-

lowed were at least 20 seconds of dead air — felt more like 20 minutes — and several quarts of flop-sweat.

What kind of question was that?

In fact, when reporters started asking Richard Pepe why he hadn't bothered to vote in 40 years, I knew exactly how Pepe felt. Those pesky reporters and their trick questions!

And like every candidate in the history of politics who couldn't or wouldn't answer an obvious question, I lost the election. But I finished fifth in a field of nine and, like Pepe, I got to vote for myself the first time I cast a ballot. Better yet, Grandma Sue threw a nice election night party that featured a big tin of her delicious candied figs, which helped ease the disappointment.

I'd bring some candied figs to Pepe's party on April 10, but I'm afraid Grandma Sue isn't with us anymore.

If anything, my candidacy demonstrated that I was a player in what was then the political landscape of El Centro — so I was naturally invited to the 1972 Republican National Convention in Miami Beach.

I never got the chance in Miami to thank Richard Nixon personally for the political opportunity he provided me with the 26th Amendment. But I did get to attend a "good government" seminar moderated by H.R. Haldeman and John Ehrlichman.

And the next time you see me, you can shake the hand that shook the hand of Spiro T. Agnew.

Which is why I'm no longer in politics. But at least I've voted in every election since.

beyond the realm

By JOE LIVERNOIS

C.V. chamber offers 'Trivia Night'

THE CARMEL Valley Chamber of Commerce presents its first Trivia Night Tuesday, April 3, at Los Laureles Lodge Restaurant and Saloon. Participants will form teams of up to six and compete for prizes by showing off how much they know.

"Trivia Night will take networking 'out of the box,' giving attendees an opportunity to meet each other in a way that encourages team building," said chamber president Nick Elliott. He added that the chamber aims to present quarterly Trivia Night events. The subject matter will range from local to global.

The events starts at 6:30 p.m. Admission is \$5. Los Laureles Lodge is located at 313 W. Carmel Valley Road. For more info, call (831) 659-4000 or visit www.carmelvalley-chamber.com.



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