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A note for our readers

“My father
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—Rodney
Dangerfield

On the cover

"Tortuga Caracol" by Beto Val, Ecuadorian digital collage artist. For more information, see page 8.

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#BOOKWORM

Banned in Belarus?

By Leanne Oliveira

"The only queer people are those who don't love anybody."

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Happy 65th Birthday to my pop Carlos, my hero and handyman-housepainter extraordinaire!

June is LGBTQ Book Month and Audiobook Appreciation month. To celebrate both literary holidays, check out adorable chick lit book *One Last Stop* by Casey McQuiston or *Boyfriend Material* by Alexis Hall. All the narrators are great! You can also visit <https://tinyurl.com/LGBTQSummer> for a list of this summer's most anticipated LGBTQ books.

Also, in very 1984 news, Belarus has banned the sale of 1984. Belarusian newspaper *Nasha Niva* reported that security forces detained Andrei Yanushkevich, publisher and bookstore owner, and confiscated 200 books with a focus on 1984. (Note that Orwell's book was also banned in the Soviet Union until 1988.)

B&N VIRTUAL EVENTS

Lots of virtual author events this month including Jennifer Saint, Anna Bailey, Julie Clark, James Patterson, Juno Dawson, Hilary Mantel, and Riley Sager. Reminder: ongoing BOGO 50% off sale for eligible books of all ages through December! No code needed. Info at BarnesandNoble.com.

BIPOC LIVES MATTER

Poet Ada Limón has divided her newest offering *The Hurting Kind* into four seasons with the expectation that the reader's attention will follow along as the seasons change, guided by Limón on where to look, and how. Above all, the collection asks for our attention to stay tender and know that the world is here to both guide us and lead us astray. FYI: *The Carrying* won the National Book Critics Circle Award and Limón's *Bright Dead Things* was a National Book Award finalist. (NPR.org)

BONO MEMOIR

U2's frontman Bono's first memoir *Surrender* is out November 1st!

BOOKSHOP SANTA CRUZ

In-person author events include Sandor Katz, Christopher Moore, Lynne Cox, Nina LaCour, and Leila Mottley. Teens and adults can score some great swag by enrolling in the Summer Reading program and reading 6 books! Visit bookshopsantacruz.com for details.

FIRECRACKER AWARDS



Leanne Oliveira

The Community of Literary Magazines and Presses (CLMP), which celebrates indie publishing, has announced this year's Firecracker Award winners; visit <https://tinyurl.com/CLMPfirecracker> for the full list and add a few to your summer reading.

FOUND: RARE BOOK PREDICTING ALIENS

Christiaan Huygens' *The Celestial World Discover'd: Or, Conjectures Concerning the Inhabitants, Plants and Productions of the*

Worlds in the Planets was published in 1698 and recently found by collector Jim Spencer at a book appraisal event in the Cotswolds. Huygens discusses how aliens enjoyed music, astronomy, and sailing -- and questioned why God would have created other planets "just to be looked" upon from Earth. The book is headed to auction next month and early estimates place it around \$4000.

GILROY LIBRARY

Still open Sundays! Check out SCCLD.org for all the great programming and visit their Bookshop Mon-Fri 1pm-3pm if you get the chance. Soooo worth it!

LITERARY HOLIDAYS

Happy LGBTQ Book Month and Audiobook Appreciation Month! Also: Caldecott Day (6/14 when the Caldecott Medal was first awarded in 1938), Ulysses' *Bloomsday* (6/16 - note that the book turned 100 this year), National Garfield the Cat Day (first published 6/19/1978), and a bonus: Any beautiful Wednesday in June can be Mrs. Dalloway Day! Birthday Babies include Maurice Sendak (6/10), Anne Frank (6/12), and Octavia Butler (6/22).

LITERARY LADIES BOOKCLUB (Est. 2016)

Recent Nebraska transplant Annie Birdsall of Moss Landing hosted *Writers and Lovers* by Lily King in May! June's book *Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi is hosted by Jennifer Clara Sousa of Prunedale. Shoutout to two new clubbers: new Hollister resident Marie Begiebing (who found us through this column!) and SJB Librarian Rochelle Eagen. So glad to have you both!

LUCK LIBRARY

Offering a COVID-19 vaccine event 6/11 from 10am-3pm and in-person Utility Assistance 11am-1pm 6/2 & 6/9. Visit san-juan-bautista.ca.us/community/library.php or @SJBCityLibrary (FB/Instagram) for more updates including details on in-person story-times and free online courses. Summer reading program TBA; title recommendations



The Gilroy Librarians have outdone themselves with laminated book spine bookmarks! What a great way to upcycle old books.

encouraged. Open Mon-Fri 11am-6pm and Sat 11am-2pm, plus appointments are available outside of those hours.

NEW RELEASES

Visit the Publisher's Weekly On-Sale calendar at <https://tinyurl.com/June22Bookworm> for #AllTheBooks!

PATTERSON MEMOIR

I saw this one coming! Thriller writer James Patterson's memoir *The Stories of My Life* releases 6/6. Preorder it (through 6/5) at B&N, and you'll be automatically entered to win a prize pack including signed copies of his book and a manuscript, a virtual meet & greet, and a \$100 B&N gift card.

PULITZER PRIZE 2022

The winners are in! Check the full list at pulitzer.org/prize-winners-by-year/2022. Also, visit <https://tinyurl.com/MojaveDiaz> to read about Dahr Jamail's interview with Natalie Diaz (2021 Pulitzer Prize winner for *Poetry with Postcolonial Love Poem*) on the Mojave language and building a Lexicon.

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p.s. LITERARY TIDBITS

A la recherche du temps perdu by Marcel Proust is the longest book in the world at 9,609,000 characters and is a memoir of Proust's childhood.

LIT-TLE BLACK BOOK

Reminder of COVID-19 restrictions and possibly modified hours.

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Green Business Tips

Energy efficiency in warming months

By Timaree Nelson

As the weather heats up, we want to provide our local businesses with tips on keeping their facilities running efficiently. These are the months when energy bills skyrocket, and wildfire and power outages increase. Here are some tips your business can use:

Operate with peak hours in mind. The price you pay to PG&E for electricity varies depending on when you are using it. Peak hours are 4 p.m. - 9 p.m., Monday-Friday, and Off-Peak (lowest price) hours are before 4 p.m. and after 9 p.m., Monday-Friday, and all hours on weekends.

- Find more details on PG&E's website!

- Keep your equipment in fighting shape. We recommend servicing your HVAC unit at least twice per year, but consider checking air filters more frequently, especially after fire season. Help your team breathe cleaner air while saving money.

- Understand your usage. Consider having an energy audit to prevent your business from losing energy through leaky gaskets, inefficient or excessive lighting and equipment use, and more. Try signing up with your local

utility online to access your usage reports.

- Working from home? Work smarter not harder. See if you are eligible for PG&E's current Smart Thermostat Rebates. They may be able to offer you up to \$120 to replace an existing manual or programmable thermostat with a smart thermostat that makes controlling your climate easier and more efficient.

- Fire safety reminder. It is peak fire season, and San Benito County falls within a medium-to-high risk zone.

- Don't forget the basics. Make it an action item to routinely check fire alarms and fire extinguishers. As needed, consider replacing old safety equipment and investing in smart technologies.

- Sign up to receive public safety alerts, access emergency checklists, etc. from PG&E. Visit both pge.com/wildfiresafety and safetyactioncenter.com.

The Monterey Green Business Program provides free technical assistance to get your business lean and green, and also offers up to \$500 in rebates for businesses that complete certification. Reach out to Saburi Sai at ssai@environmentalin.com



California Green Business Network happenings

Greg Richardson of Paicines Ranch gives a tour to the California Green Business Network during their conference held at Paicines Ranch. At right: CAGBN at Jardines – The California Green Business Network enjoys dinner at certified Green Business Jardines De San Juan.



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CITY BEAT

Fiscal year ends with public engagement

By Don Reynolds, City Manager

As May ends and June begins, the City is wrapping up its fiscal year with a lot of public engagement. In May, we celebrated our diverse interests in planning for the City's growth and economic future. The week of May 2-6 was busy, culminating in a Special City Council meeting May 5. We tried again to host a "hybrid meeting" combining web conferencing with in-person attendance, but the Council Chambers is so small. As we launch budget town hall meetings and water rate study sessions in the next 3-6 weeks, we will try to hold these meetings in the Library.

In March, we signed a \$50,000 contract to have the technology updated and have been waiting patiently to get our Council Chambers up to speed. The installation of new microphones, cameras and IT has been pushed from May 23 to May 30, 2022. Yes, COVID is on the rise again, and it continues to plague the logistics of these matters.

The May 17 City Council meeting was scheduled to reveal a new drinking water study and proposed new rates. This has been pushed to May 24, and by the time this article is published, I am sure a lot of you would like more details. Assuming the public notice requirements start by Friday, May 27, 2022, the rates hearings would occur in June and end July 19, 2022.

The rate study from May 21, 2022 is being published on the City website and will be the focus of the public engagement meeting scheduled in the next 4 weeks. The rate increase does three things: 1) it pays for the capital improvements needed to import drinking water from the West Hills Treatment Plant, that will be blended at 2/3 surface water with 1/3 ground water; 2) it pays for the San Benito County Water District's cost to buy the water from the federal government (San Luis Reservoir), and 3) it pays for the 8% of the overhead and administrative costs associated with joining this regional water solution. The City's fair share of these costs is estimated at 8% based on the General Plan build-out and growth of 1.9% through 2040.

Between now and 2027, the rates and cost of water and sewer will grow 65% from approximately \$200 per month to \$335 per month. Water rates are based on 2 metrics - the base rates applicable to every customer and the use/1000 gallons referred to as the volumetric rates. The Base Rates increases look like this:

| | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | \$ 55.76 | \$ 55.76 | \$ 65.91 | \$ 75.15 | \$ 85.68 | \$ 89.97 | \$ 94.47 |
| | | | 18% | 14% | 14% | 5% | 5% |

Volumetric Rates (cost per 1,000 gallons) look like this:

| | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|----------|
| | \$ 6.35 | \$ 7.05 | \$ 8.04 | \$ 9.17 | \$ 9.63 | \$ 10.12 | \$ 10.40 |
| | | 11% | 14% | 14% | 5% | 5% | 3% |

This effort completes the job of upgrading water and the quality of life as we know it in San Juan Bautista. Please look for public meetings on this matter to begin in May and include June 14 and June 28, when I hope we will be back in Council Chambers! Feel free to give me a call or make an appointment. ■

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COVER ARTIST

Beto Val

Ecuadorian digital collage artist

Beto Valencia, better known on Instagram as Beto Val, began his artistic career in the world of collage almost by accident. From his small studio in Quito-Ecuador, this artist randomly discovered a large bank of public domain vintage illustrations with which he began experimenting and creating his first works. Initially, he did it as a sort of therapy to relief the stress of his daily work.

Little by little, this hobby became almost an obsession for the artist who now spends up to 4 hours a day exploring and creating new works.

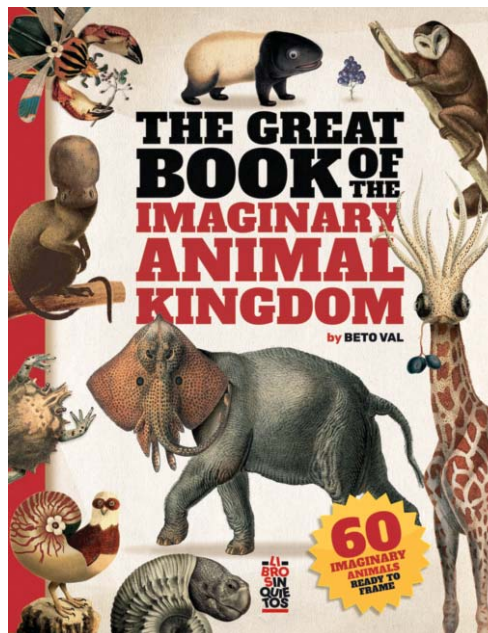
Beto Val's collages immerse us in a surreal world plagued by absurd and eccentric beings, who, nevertheless, are somehow familiar to us and whose existence is not only possible but necessary.

Wild aristocracy, amazing machines or animals from an imaginary animal kingdom, everything is possible in the mind of this creator who skillfully combines his vintage collage technique with

photo retouching.

In "THE GREAT BOOK OF THE IMAGINARY ANIMAL KINGDOM" for sale on Amazon, Beto Val presents 60 carefully crafted collages from beautiful vintage animal illustrations. An ideal book to spark the imagination and creativity of readers of all ages.

You can discover more of his work on the artist's website: www.elbetoval.com or his Instagram profile: @elbetoval ■



VUE A LA LOO

Katy Perry's Gigantic Toilet

Performing in Las Vegas, Katy Perry emerged singing from what appears to be a world-record-breakingly large loo, with corresponding enormous rolls of toilet paper. With so many possible allegories, we will have to be left guessing at the meaning of the humongous monument. ■

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BenitoLink

'Let's Talk Journalism' dinner brings foreign correspondents, local community leaders together

BenitoLink hosted its *Let's Talk Journalism* dinner on May 7 at the Baumgartner Ranch in San Juan Bautista. The event was sponsored by BenitoLink, Morris Grassfed Beef and the Community Foundation for San Benito County.

Approximately 30 community members attended at the invitation of BenitoLink. Foreign correspondent Ralph Jennings and career journalist Cindy Sui, who are married, spoke about their experiences reporting from China for major news organizations.

Jennings has worked for Reuters in Taipei, Taiwan, and has reported in East Asia for Associated Press, Forbes Media, The Los Angeles Times and Voice of America. Sui has reported for local, regional and international media in the U.S. and East Asia, in-



(Left to Right) Julie Morris, Ralph Jennings, Cindy Sui, BenitoLink Executive Director Leslie David and Community Foundation for SBC President Gary Byrne. Photo by Jenny Mendolla Arbizu. Above right: BenitoLink board member Phil Esparza meets Foreign Correspondent Cindy Sui.

cluding the International Herald Tribune, Los Angeles Times and NBC News.

Sui has reported for local, regional and international media in the U.S. and East Asia, including the International Herald Tribune, Los Angeles Times and NBC News. She also worked for years as the BBC's Taiwan correspondent up until last summer, when she moved back to the U.S.

The couple shared their experiences as foreign journalists in China, where they said free speech is suppressed. They touched on U.S. relations with China since the Russian invasion of Ukraine; spoke about the validity of information that American reporters publish, and the manner in which foreign

journalists in China obtain information and interviews for their stories.

San Juan Bautista resident Phil Esparza, who also serves on BenitoLink's board of directors, felt the event was a "great first step" in highlighting the current and problematic issues that perhaps hinder American journalists from bringing factual and complete stories to the public.

Esparza particularly shared his concerns on the local level, and said he would like to see something similar to this gathering occur in San Benito County's local newsrooms.

"We need to figure out ways to have a session with the staff, with these same pro-

fessionals, because I think they would learn so much," Esparza said. "Because BenitoLink is a local information and news source, we have to increase the trust bond with the entire community. They may not always agree with what's being said, but we need to get the full story so that people are informed."

Do you like these events? Your donations help cover these costs and your support is essential to continuing these public services. Consider donating to BenitoLink during our spring campaign. All donations from now till June 7 will be matched up to 10K thanks to a generous BenitoLink supporter. Donate today! ■

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FINANCIAL FOCUS**New limits expand 401(k), IRA opportunities**

You could spend two, or even three, decades in retirement. So, to pay for all those years, you'll probably need to take full advantage of your retirement accounts. And in 2022, you may have expanded opportunities to deduct retirement plan contributions on your tax return.

Before looking at what's changed this year, let's review the key benefits of these accounts:

- **Traditional IRA** – You typically contribute pretax (deductible) dollars to a traditional IRA, and your earnings can grow tax-deferred.

- **Roth IRA** – You invest after-tax dollars in a Roth IRA, so your contributions won't lower your taxable income, but your earnings can grow tax free, provided you've had your account at least five years and you're 59½ or older when you begin taking withdrawals.

- **401(k)** – A 401(k) or similar plan (such as a 457(b) for state and local government employees or a 403(b) for employees of public schools or nonprofit groups) is generally funded with pretax dollars and provides tax-deferred earnings. Some employers offer a Roth 401(k), in which employees contribute after tax-dollars and can take tax-free withdrawals if they meet the same age and length-of-ownership requirements as the Roth IRA.

So, what's different about these plans in 2022? First, consider the traditional IRA. If you – and your spouse, if you're married – don't have a 401(k) or similar plan, you can always deduct the full amount of your contribution on your tax return, no matter what you earn. But if one or both of you are covered by an employer-sponsored plan, then your deductions could be reduced or eliminated based on your income.

Single taxpayers can claim the full deduction if your modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) is \$68,000 or less (\$109,000 for married filing jointly), with deductibility decreasing at higher income levels and phasing out entirely at \$78,000 (\$129,000 for married filing jointly). But here's the key point: Compared to 2021, these ranges are \$2,000 higher for single filers and \$4,000 higher for those who are married and filing jointly – which means that this year, you might have more opportunities to make deductible contributions.

And a similar type of increase applies to Roth IRA eligibility. In 2022, if you're a single filer, you can put in up to \$6,000 (\$7,000 if you are 50 or older) in a Roth IRA if your modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) is less than \$129,000 – up from \$125,000 in 2021. Allowable contributions are reduced at higher income

levels and phased out if your MAGI is \$144,000 or more, up from \$140,000 in 2021. If you're married and file jointly, the respective ranges are \$204,000–\$214,000, up from \$198,000–\$208,000 in 2021. Again, higher ranges may mean more opportunities for you. (Consult your tax advisor to determine your eligibility to contribute to a Roth IRA or make deductible contributions to a traditional IRA.)

And finally, the annual contribution limit for 401(k), 457(b) and 403(b) plans is \$20,500 – up \$1,000 from 2021. If you're 50 or older,

you can put in an extra \$6,500 this year, for a total of \$27,000.

These changes may not seem monumental, but when you're saving for retirement, any opportunities to invest and potentially reduce taxes, of whatever size, can be valuable. So, review your options to determine how you can help yourself move closer to your retirement goals.

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July 4th

Kiddie Parade Downtown

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Parade starts @10am

Hosted by the Recreation Dept.

July 4th

Evening Fireworks show

Hosted by the City of Hollister

July 9th

**Downtown Dance Party with Arts and Crafts
Downtown @6pm - 10pm**

Hosted by Arts Council, Friends of the Library & Youth Alliance

July 16th

Street Festival

Downtown @10am - 4pm

Hosted by the Hollister Downtown Association

July 23rd

Family Fun Run/ Walk

Starts Downtown @8:30am

Hosted by the Recreation Dept.

July 23rd

Dunne Park Activities

1pm-5pm

Hosted by Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts,
& Hollister Recreation Dept.

July 23rd

Disc Golf Tournament

At Vista Park Hill

July 23rd

Kite Making/ Flying

@Vista Park Hill

3pm-5pm

Hosted by R.E.A.C.H. and 4-H

July 30th

Beautification Day

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August 6th
Anniversary Event/Closing Ceremony:
Parade
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VOICING SOME THOUGHTS

Nostalgia

By Halina Kleinsmith

The good old days. Way back when. Going down memory lane...

These phrases are normally expressed by the eldest person in a gathering, usually accompanied by a winsome smile and glint of pleasure in the eyes of the narrator.

To wax nostalgic is a fortunate pastime, denoting that one has recollections pleasant or astounding enough to relive, and want to share with others.

Admittedly, friends and family members of the storyteller may roll their eyes or even groan with a "here we go again" comment, yet you'll notice even those who've already heard it a million times are smiling, knowing the impending punchline, or the surprising content of the tale.

My being the youngster in my clan meant family members and visitors were years, and even decades, older than myself.

Teenagers surrounded me in gogo boots, Nehru jackets, fringed leather and tiedye. The Mod look arrived from Europe, and 'free dress' days in grammar school allowed

us to show off versions of these latest hip styles.

Newspapers, movies, magazines and television provided us the sights and sounds of the Summer of Love. Being too young to attend the iconic concerts, we'd hear their music on our transistor radios.

A huge roster of adventuresome tales and close calls were also shared, including an aunt relating the days of Al Capone, when she'd run through an artichoke field in her silk stockings to evade the feds, who thought she and her gal pals were part of his posse!

With that as an example, I don't walk away from the chance to enjoy spoken history, and learn what I can from those with more years and different experiences than myself.

In return, I make an effort to share what knowledge and pertinent reminiscences I can with younger ones. Surprisingly, many have been kind enough to listen and care, and not 'sigh' impatiently.

I encourage you to also embrace sharing your perspectives on our ever evolving world through your own unique experiences, and contribute to broadening the scope of our up and comers.

Did I ever tell you the one about... ■

IN MEMORY

Peter Lottermoser

December 16, 1940 - April 12, 2022

Local restaurant owner and chef for 30 years, Peter Lottermoser was born in Germany and shared his birthday with Beethoven. His first love was his precious harmonica, which he played by ear from the age of 5.

He entered his trade at culinary school at the age of 12 and immigrated to America at age 19. He was employed by the Hyatt Cor-



poration and worked as an executive Chef there for 17 years before coming to San Juan Bautista in 1980.

He and his wife Joan operated the Donkey Deli and Joan and Peter's German Restaurant, as it was renamed.

Peter was known for his excellent culinary talent and the many Oktoberfests and musical festivities that were held in the garden. He shared his love of music through the years with his many customers who came for the fun and good German food.

He is survived by his wife Joan, 3 children, 3 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Also missing him is his dog Buster, who loved his harmonica playing. ■



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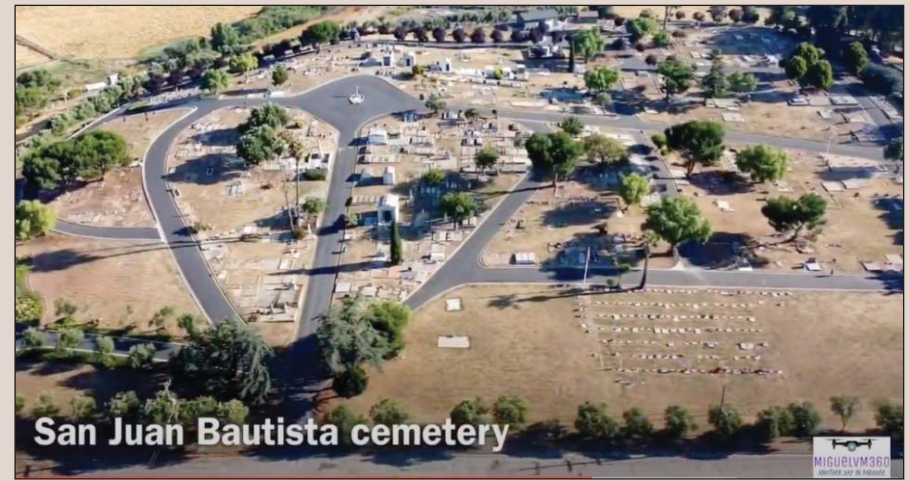
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Left: THEN - From top of old reservoir Nov. 26, 1941 *Ed Lamb photo*; Right: NOW - Screen capture from drone video of SJB. *Courtesy Miguel Villareal Mendonca*

Then... and Now: Then, Campo Santa Nuevo; Now, SJB District Cemetery

By Wanda Guibert, SJB Historical Society

“On October 24, 1839, I blessed the Campo Santo Nuevo (New Cemetery, which because the cemetery adjoining the church could hold no more bodies, was laid out away from the church).” – *Father Antonio Anzar, O.F.M.*

These words were inscribed onto a bronze plaque and mounted on a low adobe wall at the base of the hill at the San Juan Bautista Cemetery at 70 Monterey Street. Also included on the plaque was the following text.

“A part of Rancho de San Antonio, granted to Manuel Larios. Don Manuel gave this cemetery site, reserving the S.W. corner for Larios family burials.

“Marked by the San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179, Native Daughters of the Golden West, October 28, 1966 in memory of pioneers and early settlers buried here.”

Today both the wall and the Campo Santo plaque are gone. In 2013, at least 2 plaques were stolen from the Cemetery as well as the plaque honoring the San Juan Bautista WW II Veterans at the VFW Post 6359 just across the street. The low adobe wall where a San Juan Bautista Historical Society plaque commemorating Patrick and Margaret Breen -- survivors of the ill-fated Donner Party who settled in San Juan -- remains, but that plaque was stolen at the same time. After the Campo Santo plaque disappeared, the wall on which it had been mounted was removed. Fortunately, photos and relevant history remain at the Historical Marker Database (HMdb.org) Campo Santo Nuevo page <https://www.hmdb.org/m.asp?m=125365>.

According to the Images of America San Juan Bautista book, the Mission cemetery on the north side of the church opened in 1797, and the last person to be interred was Ascension Solarsano, a direct descendant of the Mutsun Indians, who died in 1930. Most of the Spanish, Mexican, and European settlers of the period were buried in the new cemetery west of town.

Originally part of the Rancho San Antonio land grant, the San Juan cemetery was deeded to the people of San Juan by Manuel Larios, one of the original Spanish Castilian “Dons.” Larios divided the cemetery into two parts, one part Catholic and the other Protestant. Numerous pioneers of varied nationalities and religions are buried here, and it



Glass negative of motorized Careaga funeral procession down Second Street to cemetery.

remains an active cemetery for the people of San Juan Bautista. When Don Larios gifted the land for the cemetery, he reserved for his family the southwest section fronting Monterey Street, which is still maintained by Larios family



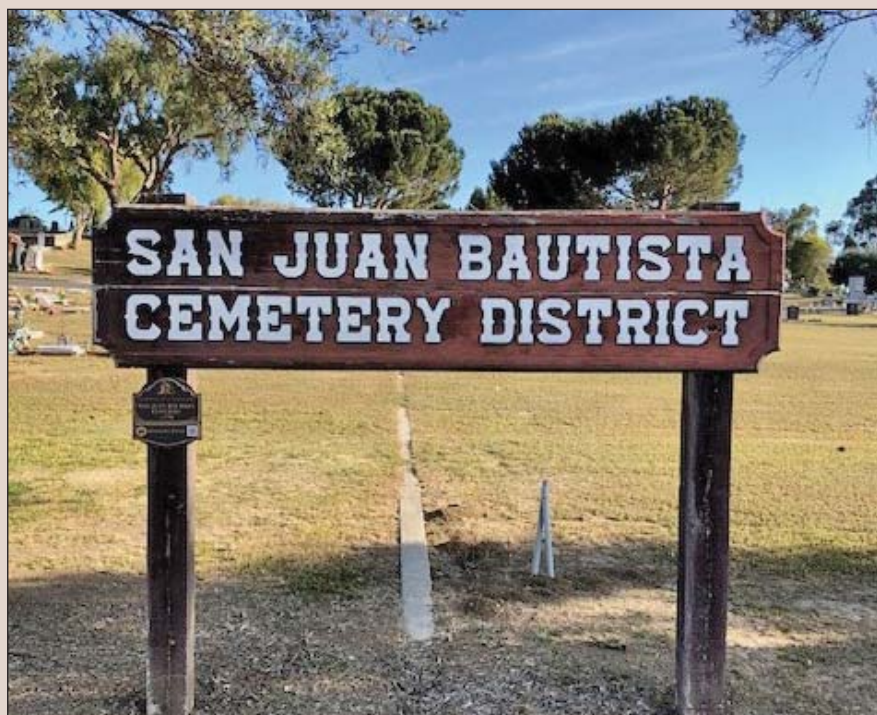
The heart-shaped trees at the San Juan Cemetery in 1912, now a District Cemetery supported by taxes.

descendants.

The Baptist Church known today as the Glad Tidings was built in 1863 and originally located in the Protestant section of the cemetery, on Monterey Street (not Church Street, which is where the Methodist Church was located). In 1886, a Congregational denomination had it moved to its present site at the southwest corner of Third and Muckelemy Streets. Read more about Glad Tidings Church in the October 2015 issue of Mission Village Voice <https://www.missionvillagevoice.com/past-issues>.

The San Juan Bautista Cemetery District was formed in 1953, initiated and spearheaded by San Juan-born Audel “Dell” Laveroni (1916-2005) with the Service Club, prominent local citizens and church officials. Dell was a lifelong San Benito County resident, and after WWII, worked as the Assistant County Clerk, later transferring to Western Title, and retiring as Vice-President. He was always very active in the community. In the 30 January 1990 issue of the “Salinas Californian,” then Cemetery District manager Hal Bohn (who held that title for 20 years) is quoted as saying, “Cemetery records were not kept until 1953, so many buried there remain forever anonymous.” Bohn also added, “The graves of the Catholics would face south, and the Protestants would face east.” The late Tony Boch, District Cemetery committee chairman for many years, tried very hard to map out all the graves and reconstruct the records of the nearly 200-year-old cemetery. The San Juan Cemetery District is included in District 2 of the County of San Benito, supported by property taxes. The 3 members of this Board are not elected but instead appointed by the District 2 Board of Supervisor; boardmembers are Pat Garratt, Drew Neubauer (Mission Realty), and Andy Moore (Pierce Real Estate).

The heart-shaped cemetery, once surrounded by cypress trees, was photographed by the famed American photographer Ansel Adams. Adams shot the San Juan cemetery photograph (see inset) around 1970, one hundred years after the death of Sarah Ann Ross (1833 -- 1870), whose gravestone he immortalized in the photograph. Sarah was the wife of Benjamin F. Ross, the first sheriff of San Benito County. Ansel Adams has left a legacy of magnificent photographs, but his words are equally



San Juan Bautista District Cemetery sign

powerful: "Our lives at times seem a study in contrast... love & hate, birth & death, right & wrong... everything seen in absolutes of black & white. Too often we are not aware that it is the shades of grey that add depth & meaning to the starkness of those extremes." Read more about this photograph in the October 2017 issue of Mission Village Voice (<https://www.missionvillagevoice.com/past-issues>).

Search memorials in San Juan Bautista Cemetery by visiting <https://www.findagrave.com/cemetery/1468767/> san-

juan-bautista-cemetery. "Find a Grave" describes itself as the world's largest gravesite collection with over 210 million memorials created by the community since 1995.

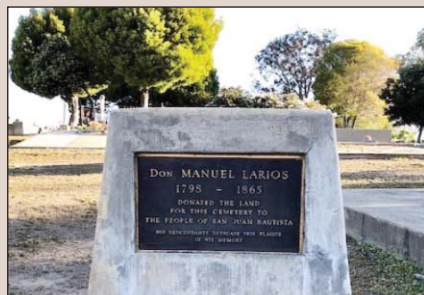
View Miguel Villareal Mendonca's very cool drone video titled "Tour of San Juan Bautista CA from the Sky" at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0d06-KgPSs0&t=2s>. Check out other drone videos in his "Another Day in Paradise" series at his YouTube channel MiguelVM360. ■



Above: Ansel Adams circa 1970. Photo: Center for Creative Photography, University of Arizona. Below: Don Manuel Larios monument



Above: Campo Santo monument, and below: plaque close-up. Photos by Barry Swackhamer, January 17, 2013.



The Saddle Horse Show & Rodeo is a San Benito County tradition since 1929.

The return of the rodeo

By Karminder Brown

After a two-year hiatus from business as usual, the San Benito County Saddle Horse Show



town Parade at 11:00 am, Saturday, June 18th in downtown Hollister. This parade is an absolute must for newcomers to San Benito County!

Arrive early to claim a good viewing spot on San Benito Street. SBALT is proud to be a sponsor of this year's Saddle Horse Show & Rodeo, in recognition of and appreciation for the land stewardship and heritage of the ranchers in our community. Our mission is to conserve regionally significant lands that sustain productive agriculture, preserve open space and maintain the rural character of the county. Look for our banner in the arena, and learn more at www.sanbenitolandtrust.org. ■

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Above: Children watching the Saddle Horse Show Downtown Parade in Hollister, 2018; below: Young competitors at the Saddle Horse Show & Rodeo, 1997. Photo: Bob Connolly.



MISSION VILLAGE VOICE Q&A

Brygn Ellwanger

Director/teacher at GreenSong Forest School

By Anne Caetano

Mission Village Voice met Brygn Ellwanger, director and teacher at GreenSong Forest School in San Juan Bautista, the only nature program in San Benito County. GreenSong is an outdoor Forest School for home-schooled children ages 5 – 12. The school is complete with ponds, a mud kitchen, a higgledy-wiggledy path, a fire pit, lots of trees and wildlife in which the children can create and explore.

Contact Brygn Ellwanger at 831.623.1162 or email brygn@green-songforestschool.org or Facebook GreenSong Forest School.

MVV: How big is your program?

BE: We currently have 14 kids and two teachers.

Are all the kids from San Benito County?

Many, but not all. We've had children from Prunedale, Salinas, Marina, Monterey, and even Menlo Park.

Is it year-round?

We're called GreenSong Forest School, not because we are an academic school, but because we follow the school calendar. We are a twice a week nature immersion program, Mondays and Thursdays 10am – 1pm, beginning at the end of August and running through May. We also offer a two-week all day summer camp in June.

How long has GreenSong Forest School been around?

We opened 4 years ago when I moved back to California. Before opening GreenSong, I worked for 6 years in outdoor education at Sundance Mountain Resort in Utah.

Is Forest School a German concept?

Yes, Friederich Froebel began the first Forest Kindergarten in Germany in 1837. He believed that children learn best by directly experiencing nature. A couple years later, he coined the word "Kindergarten" which literally means a "garden of children." Friederich Froebel observed that the connections that children make while playing — what we now call whole body learning — forms deeper understanding in a young child's long-term memory than were they to sit at a desk and memorize facts.

If you want to have smart children, then you'll be relieved to find out that the foundation for fostering a lifelong love and aptitude for learning is simply to play with your child outside!

Forest School children are learning

S.T.E.M. in nature.

As a child splashes in water, races leaf and stick boats, digs new channels for the water to flow along, and dams up the stream with mud and rocks, this child is learning in the most relevant way what displacement, volume, mass, conservation, and buoyancy mean. Children in an outdoor, play-based nature program understand science intuitively in a way that they would not were they to sit at a desk and learn about these same concepts watching a video or even a live demonstration. There are so many really cool studies that have explored the re-



Brygn Ellwanger (center) is the director of GreenSong Forest School in San Juan Bautista.

lationship between long-term academic success with playing in nature as a child.

And now you are at the end of the school year.

We are at the end of the year, and the kids are so beautifully at home in nature. They come to class and immediately delve into their own self-directed projects. Forest School is all about child-led learning; that means the teacher does not come to class with a lesson plan, but we observe the interests of each child and create learning opportunities around what is important to

them. Teaching a child about what is fascinating and relevant to what they are currently seeing and touching is how we raise children who love to learn.

Are the kids OK with cold rainy weather?

We are a rain or sunshine all-outdoors program, and the quote "There is no such thing as bad weather, only bad clothing" is so true! Our "GreenSong Uniform" consists of one-piece rain suits and boots. Rainy days are our most magical days!

This is a sanctuary!

It really is! Where we are standing right now is a seasonal pond. In the winter, our stream engorges with rainwater and fills this pond large enough for us to paddle the canoe in it. The canoe has a hole at one end, which makes for a lot of fun; the children paddle the canoe into the middle of the pond, scooping water out with buckets, and then they try to sink it. The canoe is an open-ended object of imagination and has become so many things. It is a school bus. It is a rocket ship. Turn it over, and it becomes a drum. The play around it is endless.

What about snakes and spiders?

In the beginning you see children that are terrified of spiders and snakes, but by the end they admire all our forest friends. Seeing a particularly large spider or snake is now a highlight in their day.

Are those your goats up by the St. Francis Retreat?

No, we brought in 700 goats. There's a company, GOATS R US, that does fire mitigation and poison oak control by renting out their goats. We rented them for a month, and oh, my gosh, it was so much fun! We would literally walk through a sea of goats to get to our Forest School base camp. It was



surreal for the children.

Is this pottery the kids made?

Yes, this area is called Clay Cove because the soil here has high clay content. In the winter it is damp and ready to use, and in the summer we use water from the stream to hydrate it. We make pottery from these natural clay deposits and bake them in the sun.

Playing in dirt releases serotonin; it's good for your brain and your emotions. In the beginning many children are hesitant to get dirty. After a couple weeks, the children are in self-made mud t-shirts, mud gloves, you name it.

Wow! Did the kids build this structure?

Yes. Three weeks ago the children wanted to turn the fort they had made at the beginning of the year into a yurt, so they tore it down and began all over again. At the end of every year, I deconstruct all the children's structures so that the next year's class can create their own spaces. It has been very cool over the years to watch the children create such varied and different forms of shelter.

This looks like a foxhole.

Yes! There was one child in our class this year who was very quiet, and after having gotten used to the isolation caused by the pandemic, he continued to isolate himself from the other children. He would spend every class digging out this underground cave. As it got bigger and deeper, the other children wanted to join in, and it became this collaborative project that was the catalyst for him making friends and talking with the other children. This project took about 2 months to complete.

And your Summer Camp?

It runs June 13 - 24.

We have a 9am-12pm forest school component where we create nature art, explore water play in our year-round stream, tell stories, sculpt with clay from our natural clay deposits, bird watch, forage for wild ed-

ibles, whittle, and expand upon the innumerable interests sparked in the children as they adventure through nature.

We then have an optional afternoon extension from 12pm-3pm that is new to this year's summer camp. I'm particularly excited for this, as it begins with a Farm to Table cooking class where I prepare a meal from scratch with the children. We'll use greens that we foraged during Forest School as part of our meals! After the cooking class, we'll alternate days between water play and "Barn School" where children play in an open-air barn with horse stalls converted into a math game room, a library, a make-believe play room, and a craft room.

And your Saturday Pop-ups?

Starting September 2022, anyone can come, pay a drop-in fee and spend the day here. No need to register for the 9-month school year.

What surprised you most about Forest School?

Forest School has taught me that what a young child needs is the time in which to be bored... and a space to constructively work

herself out of that boredom. We do not allow our kids time to be bored anymore! The second a child whines, we stick a screen in front of them. But boredom is so important in a child's emotional and intellectual development! It has been said that boredom is the mother of invention, and after years of working with a myriad of children, I can testify to the truth of that! The aftermath of a bored child in the house can be devastating (crayon marks on the walls and furniture, flour all over the kitchen floor...), but the aftermath of a bored child in nature is glorious!

What has surprised me the most about Forest School as a mother is that it simplified how I approached being a "good parent." I spend a lot of time with my kids outside.

It must be so rewarding.

It's highly rewarding! And I am so very grateful for our parents who encourage their children to come to school and get muddy and take risks — what a community of amazing families! It has been really fulfilling for me to hear back from the parents that their children grow more self-sufficient and self-entertaining, sleep deeper, focus better on their homeschool lessons, and are physically harder because of their time at GreenSong.

You have such passion for this.

As a teacher, the biggest service I can do is cultivate kindness and compassion among my students. I truly believe that our connection to the land on which we walk is a critical indicator of our capability to love one another. It is so easy to think only of ourselves and our immediate pleasure in experiencing nature. In caring for and protecting Mother Earth, we show our consideration for not just plants and animals, but we also show our consideration for our peers. We enable our contemporaries to have the same experience finding peace and balance in nature as we enjoy, and we enable the next

generation to as well. Children that understand their impact and power to affect others' experiences are children that are thoughtful, gracious, and full of love.

What motivated you to start your own nature program?

My mission in running GreenSong Forest School is that children leave this program feeling a greater sense of wholeness because they have discovered through joyous play that they are part of a grand and beautiful world. My dearest hope is that the children of GreenSong Forest School do not just love being in nature but also love nature. I am optimistic that emboldened by love, they can play their part in changing the world in a way that blesses not only themselves, but generations after them.

I believe that GreenSong is cultivating model citizens of the world. You cannot care for the Earth if you do not have a relationship with the Earth, and these children do! ■



BEEN THERE, DONE THAT



Gorgeous bride and groom we met at Daisy's.



Nice evening in SJB @ 18th Barrel with Val Egland, Rena & Dan De Vries, Teresa Lavagnino, Anne Caetano, a guest and Dan Kerbs.



Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren (center) meeting local business owner Fran Fitzharris (left) and SJB Mayor Leslie Jordan (right) @ Brewery Twenty-Five.



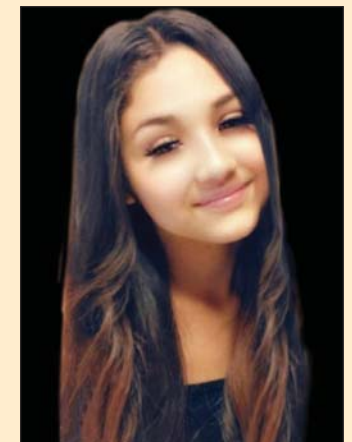
Amy Bravo, Michael Salinas and Joel & Jennifer Buckingham.



Sara Sieraski, she's single and ready to mingle and bartends at nights @ California Grill in Watsonville.



Bella Marquez & Luke Kerbs with their new baby Stevie peeking over the fence into Bear's Hideaway!



Happy 13th Birthday to Alexia Sanchez, Love Mommy, Amanda Cherny Reyes— Always watching you!



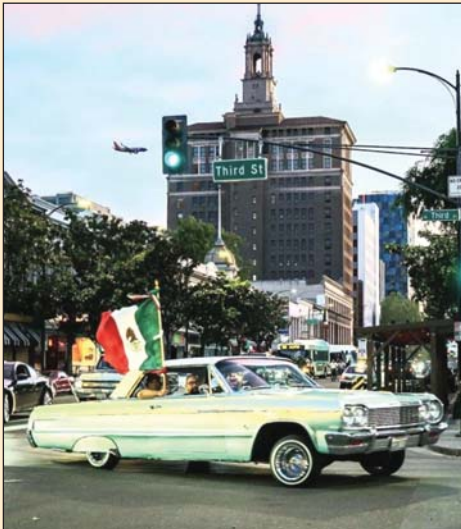
Benitolink speaker series *Let's Talk Local Journalism* at the Bumgartner Ranch.



Isaac Beltran & Gabriella Ulloa @ SBC Earthday event.



Happy 9th Birthday to Jeramiah Casarez!



Cinco De Mayo Celebration 2022.



Nik & Ruby Dholakia, retired emeriti professor couple from New England, now Hollister residents, spotted at Running Rooster.



Posada de San Juan's 30th Anniversary Ribbon Cutting.



Anzar High Class of 2022 Senior Trip to Universal Studios!

CELESTIAL EVENTS



June 14 - Full Moon Supermoon in Sagittarius. The Moon will be located on the opposite side of the Earth as the Sun and its face will be fully illuminated. This phase occurs at 11:52 UTC. This full moon was known by early Native American tribes as the Strawberry Moon because it signaled the time of year to gather ripening fruit. It also coincides with the peak of the strawberry harvesting season. This moon has also been known as the Rose Moon and the Honey Moon. This is also the first of three supermoons for 2022. The Moon will be near its closest approach to the Earth and may look slightly larger and brighter than usual.

June 16 - Mercury at Greatest Western Elongation. The planet Mercury reaches greatest western elongation of 23.2 degrees from the Sun. This is the best time to view Mercury since it will be at its highest point above the horizon in the morning sky. Look for the planet low in the eastern sky just before sunrise.

June 21 - June Solstice. The June solstice occurs at 09:05 UTC. The North Pole of the earth will be tilted toward the Sun, which will have reached its northernmost position in the sky and will be directly over the Tropic of Cancer at 23.44 degrees north latitude. This is the first day of summer (summer solstice) in the Northern Hemisphere and the first day of winter (winter solstice) in the Southern Hemisphere.

June 29 - New Moon in Cancer. The Moon will be located on the same side of the Earth as the Sun and will not be visible in the night sky. This phase occurs at 02:53 UTC. This is the best time of the month to observe faint objects such as galaxies and star clusters because there is no moonlight to interfere.



A past full moon of June, also known as the Strawberry Moon, looms above Earth's horizon in this undated photo taken by an astronaut at the International Space Station. Image credit: NASA

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Formal Wear

Ugh—these pants are so tight,
I have a cummerbund of fat.

Cold Feet

Q: Aren't your toes freezing?

A: I've had 2 vodkas and a
champagne. My toes feel just fine.

MISSION VILLAGE VOICE | JUNE 2022

Calendar

WEDNESDAY JUNE 1

HOLLISTER CERTIFIED FARMER'S MARKET 3pm-7:30pm Downtown Hollister. Every Wednesday May thru September. Celebrating 35 years and over 40 vendors. Visit downtownhollister.org

GEEKS WHO DRINK - RUNNING ROOSTER TRIVIA NIGHT 6:30pm. Think it's just trivia? Think again. 6 people per team! Every Wednesday @ Running Rooster, 800 San Benito St., Hollister. Runningrooster.com

WEDNESDAY JUNE 1 - THURSDAY JUNE 2

CARMEL SUNSET CENTER PRESENTS - BOZ SCAGGS - STYLISTIC MASTER OF BLUES Visit sunsetcenter.org

THURSDAY JUNE 2

SPADE AND PLOW CSA - PICK-UP @ VERTIGO SJB 10:30am - Closing. Every Thursday. Visit spadeandplow.com. Vertigo Coffee Roasters, San Juan Bautista.

IN PERSON UTILITY ASSISTANCE 11am-1pm No appointment necessary. San Juan Library, 801 Second St., SJB. Contact SBC community Services & Workforce Development with any question at 831.637.9293 or the SJB Library at 831.623.4687

YOUTH ORCHESTRA SALINAS PRESENTS - FREE SPRING MUSIC CONCERT, MUSIC AROUND THE WORLD Doors 6:30pm, Fox Theater, 241 Main St., Salinas. FREE ADMISSION registration required www.yosal.org/concert. Donations welcome.

FRIDAY JUNE 3

GOLDENSTATE THEATRE PRESENTS - PINK FLOYD LAZER SPECTACULAR Visit goldenstatetheatre.com

GARDENSHOPPE'S CLASSIC T-REX/DINOSAUR MOVIE NIGHT 7-10pm. Join us for movie night on our outdoor patio! Movie starts at 7:30pm. Open to kids 12 and older. Visit facebook/thegardenshoppeandbar.

EDEN RIFT - WINE DOWN FRIDAYS 4-6pm. Join us all Summer long for Friday Happy Hour. Enjoy vinyard views and Eden Rift wines by the glass or by the bottle. Cheese & Charcuterie plates available for purchase. No reservations needed. 10034 Cienega Rd., Hollister 831.636.1991

LIVE MUSIC @ DAISY'S - DJ JUNIOR D 9pm-1am. Daisy's Saloon, 213 Third St., San Juan Bautista. 831.623.4484

SATURDAY JUNE 4

18TH BARREL LIVE IN THE COURTYARD - SILVER TRAIN BAND 18th Barrel, 322 Third St., San Juan Bautista. Visit 18thbarrel.com

LIVE MUSIC @ DAISY'S - KID DYNAMITE ROCKS 9pm-1am. Daisy's Saloon, 213 Third St., San Juan Bautista. 831.623.4484

LIVING HISTORY DAYS 11am-4pm. San Juan Bautista

State Historic Park. Step back into the early days of SJB. Meet mountain men, Civil War soldiers, Victorian ladies & more. Enjoy craft & cooking demos. Old-fashioned in the historic Plaza Hotel Saloon. Historic horse-drawn vehicles in the Plaza Stables & Victorian furnishings in the Plaza Hotel & Zanetta family home.

FREMONT PEAK OBSERVATORY STARGAZING 8pm-Midnight. As darkness falls and the stars emerge, they gaze in wonder at night sky's splendors through the eyepiece of the 30-inch diameter Challenger Telescope, and a variety of sophisticated amateur telescopes.

GRANITEROCK RIVER RUN IS BACK! 8-11am. Family friendly 5k or 1 mile event. The River Run benefits the YMCA of San Benito County, 5632 Airline Hwy, Hollister. Visit runsignup.com/Race/CA/Hollister/Graniterock-RiverRun or email YMCASanBenito@ymccentral-coast.org

5TH ANNUAL FIESTA FUN RUN A run through the streets of San Juan. 1 mile Fun Run @ 8:45am, 5k & 10k @ 9:15M. Visit Fiestafunrun.org

GARDENSHOPPE'S SUMMER KICK-OFF MURDER MYSTERY PARTY 6-9pm. This is our kickoff summer event \$30/ticket includes tri-tip BBQ, potato salad, beans & dessert. Visit www.gardenshoppeandbar.com

SATURDAY JUNE 4 - SUNDAY JUNE 5

SJB PICKLEBALL PLAYDAYS 9am-1pm. San Juan School, 100 Nyland Dr. Beginners-Advanced players. Everyone is welcome! \$2 suggested donation. Courts open from dawn to dusk daily.

SUNDAY JUNE 5

18TH BARREL LIVE IN THE COURTYARD - B SIDE PLAYERS 2-5pm. 18th Barrel, 322 Third Street, San Juan Bautista. 831.623.4049 Tickets, visit 18thbarrel.com

SAVOR SAN BENITO SUMMER SERIES - SWANK FARMS 11am-5pm. 1st Sunday of the month. June-Sept. Kids, zone, family activities. Food, beer, wine & live entertainment. Swank Farms 4751 Pacheco Pass Hwy, Hollister.

LIVE MUSIC @ DAISY'S - ACOUSTICATZ 2-6pm. Daisy's Saloon, 213 Third St., San Juan Bautista. 831.623.4484

WEDNESDAY JUNE 8

HOLLISTER CERTIFIED FARMER'S MARKET 3pm-7:30pm Downtown Hollister. Every Wednesday May thru September. Celebrating 35 years and over 40 vendors. Visit downtownhollister.org

GEEKS WHO DRINK - RUNNING ROOSTER TRIVIA NIGHT 6:30pm. Think it's just trivia? Think again. 6 people per team! Every Wednesday @ Running Rooster, 800 San Benito St., Hollister. Runningrooster.com

THURSDAY JUNE 9

IN PERSON UTILITY ASSISTANCE 11am-1pm No ap-



Saturday, June 11

FULL MOON HIKE AT MUDSTONE RANCH 10pm. Experience the park in a whole new way! 1-hour, 1-mile moon lit walk at Hollister Hills SVRA, FREE event \$5/vehicle (cash) Call 831.636.2065 or visit Hollister.Hills@parks.ca.gov.

pointment necessary. San Juan Library, 801 Second St., SJB. Contact SBC community Services & Workforce Development with any question at 831.637.9293 or the SJB Library at 831.623.4687

SPADE AND PLOW CSA - PICK-UP @ VERTIGO SJB 10:30am - Closing. Every Thursday. Visit spadeandplow.com. Vertigo Coffee Roasters, San Juan Bautista.

FRIDAY JUNE 10

EDEN RIFT - WINE DOWN FRIDAYS 4-6pm. Join us all Summer long for Friday Happy Hour. Enjoy vinyard views and Eden Rift wines by the glass or by the bottle. Cheese & Charcuterie plates available for purchase. No reservations needed. 10034 Cienega Rd., Hollister 831.636.1991

LIVE MUSIC @ DAISY'S - BAD DOG 9pm-1am. Daisy's Saloon, 213 Third St., San Juan Bautista. 831.623.4484

GOLDENSTATE THEATRE PRESENTS - MARY CHAPIN CARPENTER Visit goldenstatetheatre.com

SATURDAY JUNE 11

18TH BARREL LIVE IN THE COURTYARD - GOT 2 GROOVE 18th Barrel, 322 Third St., San Juan Bautista. Visit 18thbarrel.com

GARDENSHOPPE'S DROP-IN SMILEY FACE PLANTING WORKSHOP 11am-2pm. A kid-friendly, drop-in style planting workshop! \$20 includes smaller smiley face planter, 3 succulents & decorative rocks or moss. Facebook Thegardenshoppeandbar

LIVE MUSIC @ DAISY'S - SUPERMAUT 9pm-1am. Daisy's Saloon, 213 Third St., San Juan Bautista. 831.623.4484

FRIENDS OF THE SBC FREE LIBRARY BOOK SALE 9am-12pm. The shed behind the SBC Free Library. The 2nd Saturday of every month. Visit SBCFL.ORG

FREE COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC FOR AGES 5 AND UP 10am-3pm. All vaccine manufacturers available for initial and boosters. San Juan Bautista City Library in Carl Martin Luck Memorial Park, 801 Second St., San Juan Bautista. To schedule an appt visit

<https://myturn.ca.gov>. Walk-in appointments also available.

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SATURDAY JUNE 11 - SUNDAY JUNE 12

SJB PICKLEBALL PLAYDAYS 9am-1pm. San Juan School, 100 Nyland Dr. Beginners-Advanced players. Everyone is welcome! \$2 suggested donation. Courts open from dawn to dusk daily.

SUNDAY JUNE 12

LIVE MUSIC @ DAISY'S - NEON CITY LIMITS 2-6pm. Daisy's Saloon, 213 Third St., San Juan Bautista. 831.623.4484

AROMAS GRANGE PRESENTS - JEFFREY HALFORD AND THE HEALERS Doors 3:45pm, Show 4:30pm. Tickets \$15/advance \$20/door. Premium beers and wines available for purchase. Tickets available from Marshall's Market in Aromas and Eventbrite. Visit concerts@aromasgrange.org

TUESDAY JUNE 14

FULL MOON IN SAGITTARIUS

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT DAY - SUNSET STROLL 8pm. Join us on a 1-mile 1-hour loop. We discuss the local cultural landscape. FREE \$5/parking bring cash. Call 831.636.2065 or Hollister.Hills@parks.ca.gov

WEDNESDAY JUNE 15

MARSHALL'S MARKET CAR SHOW - AROMAS 5pm. Diverse assortment of cars on show. Live music, food and drink. 3rd Wednesday of each month, April - October. Marshall's Market, 300 Carpenteria Rd., Aromas 831.726.3244

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GEEKS WHO DRINK - RUNNING ROOSTER TRIVIA NIGHT 6:30pm. Think it's just trivia? Think again. 6 people per team! Every Wednesday @ Running Rooster, 800 San Benito St., Hollister. Runningrooster.com

THURSDAY JUNE 16

SPADE AND PLOW CSA - PICK-UP @ VERTIGO SJB 10:30am - Closing. Every Thursday. Visit spadeandplow.com. Vertigo Coffee Roasters, San Juan Bautista.

FRIDAY JUNE 17

EDEN RIFT - WINE DOWN FRIDAYS 4-6pm. Join us all Summer long for Friday Happy Hour. Enjoy vinyard views and Eden Rift wines by the glass or by the bottle. Cheese & Charcuterie plates available for purchase. No reservations needed. 10034 Cienega Rd., Hollister 831.636.1991

LIVE MUSIC @ DAISY'S - DJ JUNIOR D 9pm-1am. Daisy's Saloon, 213 Third St., San Juan Bautista. 831.623.4484

SINGLES MIXER AT THE GARDENSHOPPE 7-10pm. You're invited to our first-ever singles mixer night! Meet and mingle with singles in the area. We will have: Dj Sikk Ceez. Ping pong, lawn darts & board games. \$20 includes your 1st drink and appetizers.

FRIDAY JUNE 17 - SUNDAY JUNE 19

WOMEN'S RETREAT: WOMEN IN CHURCH HISTORY: TOUCHING OUR LIVES TODAY St. Francis Retreat, San Juan Bautista. Women who were deaconesses in the first centuries, women in the Patristic times, women in the Middle Ages, women of the Reformation and Baroque ages and women of modern times. Register www.stfrancisretreat.com or call 831.623.4234

SATURDAY JUNE 18

18TH BARREL LIVE IN THE COURTYARD - JOINT CHEIFS 18th Barrel, 322 Third St., San Juan Bautista. Visit 18thbarrel.com

SAN BENITO COUNTY SADDLE HORSE DOWNTOWN PARADE! Be a part of the fun and excitement. The downtown parade is the kick-off to a week of festivities leading up to the SBC Saddle Horse Show and Rodeo. The show is the last FULL weekend in June. More info visit hollisterdowntown.org

HOLLISTER CONCERTS PRESENTS-DSB - JOURNEY TRIBUTE & RIDIN OUT THE STORM -REO SPEED-WAGON TRIBUTE Gate opens 5pm, Opening Band starts 6:30pm, Visit www.hollisterconcerts.com

LIVE MUSIC @ DAISY'S - JOHN MICHAELS BAND 9pm-1am. Daisy's Saloon, 213 Third St., San Juan Bautista. 831.623.4484

SAN JUAN BAUTISTA 3RD SATURDAY ON 3RD STREET Come celebrate our unique merchants, restaurants & drinking establishments with live music & specials. Extended hours for select businesses. 3rd Saturday of each month on 3rd Street.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENTS 9am - 12pm. Dispose of your paint, motor oil, household cleaners, and other HHW. Every 3rd Saturday of the month. John Smith Rd. Landfill. Proof of residency is required. Limit of 15 gallons or 125 gallons.

SATURDAY JUNE 18 - SUNDAY JUNE 19

SJB PICKLEBALL PLAYDAYS 9am-1pm. San Juan

School, 100 Nyland Dr. Beginners-Advanced players. Everyone is welcome! \$2 suggested donation. Courts open from dawn to dusk daily.

SUNDAY JUNE 19

LIVE MUSIC @ DAISY'S - THE SURF CREEPS 2-6pm. Daisy's Saloon, 213 Third St., San Juan Bautista. 831.623.4484

TUESDAY JUNE 21

GOLDENSTATE THEATRE PRESENTS - CHRIS ISAAK Visit goldenstatetheatre.com

TUESDAY JUNE 21 - THURSDAY JUNE 23

SUMMER VBS CAMP - SOUTH VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH 6-8:30PM. Includes crafts, snacks, worship, and of course a bunch of awesome leaders who can't wait to have fun with all the campers! Kindergarten -5th grade \$20 Register svccchurch.com or email edfamily@yahoo.com

WEDNESDAY JUNE 22

HOLLISTER CERTIFIED FARMER'S MARKET 3pm-7:30pm Downtown Hollister. Every Wednesday May thru September. Celebrating 35 years and over 40 vendors. Visit downtownhollister.org

GEEKS WHO DRINK - RUNNING ROOSTER TRIVIA NIGHT 6:30pm. Think it's just trivia? Think again. 6 people per team! Every Wednesday @ Running Rooster, 800 San Benito St., Hollister. Runningrooster.com

SPADE AND PLOW CSA - PICK-UP @ VERTIGO SJB 10:30am - Closing. Every Thursday. Visit spadeandplow.com. Vertigo Coffee Roasters, San Juan Bautista.

FRIDAY JUNE 24

LIVE MUSIC @ DAISY'S - TRIPLE THREAT 9pm-1am. Daisy's Saloon, 213 Third St., San Juan Bautista. 831.623.4484

EDEN RIFT - WINE DOWN FRIDAYS 4-6pm. Join us all Summer long for Friday Happy Hour. Enjoy vinyard views and Eden Rift wines by the glass or by the bottle. Cheese & Charcuterie plates available for purchase. No reservations needed. 10034 Cienega Rd., Hollister 831.636.1991

18TH BARREL LIVE IN THE COURTYARD - AKI KUMAR 18th Barrel, 322 Third St., San Juan Bautista. Visit 18thbarrel.com

FRIDAY JUNE 24 - SUNDAY JUNE 26

SAN BENITO COUNTY SADDLE HORSESHOW & RODEO Bolado Park, Tres Pinos. Visit <https://sanbenitocountyrodeo.com/>

SATURDAY JUNE 25

GARDENSHOPPE'S WINE & CIGAR NIGHT 5-9pm. With Morgan Hill Cigar Shop + David Huboi & The Architecurals. Tickets \$15 visit thebardenshoppeandbar.com

LOS PADRINOS 15TH ANNUAL CAR SHOW 8am-5pm. Live music. Historic Downtown San Juan Bautista.

BLOSSOM'S FARM OPEN HOUSE Summer Solstice & St. John's Day Open House. 2033 San Juan Road, Aromas. info@blossomsfarm.com

LIVE MUSIC @ DAISY'S 9pm-1am. Daisy's Saloon, 213 Third St., San Juan Bautista. 831.623.4484

FREMONT PEAK OBSERVATORY SOLAR PROGRAM 2-5pm. Visit fpoa.net



Friday, June 24 - Sunday, June 26

SAN BENITO COUNTY SADDLE HORSESHOW & RODEO Bolado Park, Tres Pinos. Visit <https://sanbenitocountyrodeo.com/>

FREMONT PEAK OBSERVATORY STARGAZING 8pm-Midnight. As darkness falls and the stars emerge, they gaze in wonder at night sky's splendors through the eyepiece of the 30-inch diameter Challenger Telescope, and a variety of sophisticated amateur telescopes.

SATURDAY JUNE 25 - SUNDAY JUNE 26

SJB PICKLEBALL PLAYDAYS 9am-1pm. San Juan School, 100 Nyland Dr. Beginners-Advanced players. Everyone is welcome! \$2 suggested donation. Courts open from dawn to dusk daily.

JOHN SMITH RD. LANDFILL -QUARTLY BULKY ITEM RECYCLING/DISPOSAL EVENTS 9am-3pm. John Smith Rd. Landfill, Hollister

SUNDAY JUNE 26

LIVE MUSIC @ DAISY'S - THE SUGAR BEATS 2-6pm. Daisy's Saloon, 213 Third St., San Juan Bautista. 831.623.4484

WEDNESDAY JUNE 29

NEW MOON IN CANCER

HOLLISTER CERTIFIED FARMER'S MARKET 3pm-7:30pm Downtown Hollister. Every Wednesday May thru September. Celebrating 35 years and over 40 vendors. Visit downtownhollister.org

GEEKS WHO DRINK - RUNNING ROOSTER TRIVIA NIGHT 6:30pm. Think it's just trivia? Think again. 6 people per team! Every Wednesday @ Running Rooster, 800 San Benito St., Hollister. Runningrooster.com

THURSDAY JUNE 30

SPADE AND PLOW CSA - PICK-UP @ VERTIGO SJB 10:30am - Closing. Every Thursday. Visit spadeandplow.com. Vertigo Coffee Roasters, San Juan Bautista.

GOLDENSTATE THEATRE PRESENTS - CLINT BLACK Visit Goldenstatetheatre.com

Save the date

SATURDAY JULY 2 - SUNDAY JULY 3

BEAR'S HIDEAWAY CELEBRATING 12 YEARS! Saturday BBQ 1:30-4pm, live music 2-5pm. Sunday live music 2-5pm. Bear's Hideaway San Juan Bautista

www.bearshideaway.com

SATURDAY JULY 9

SJB VFW POST 6359 POP-UP FLEA MARKET All are welcome to stop by and enjoy making new friends and purchasing exotic items from far away lands, while enjoying the hospitality of the VFW members. San Juan Bautista VFW, 58 Monterey Street.

SATURDAY JULY 9

SOUL KISS CONCERT - EDEN RIFT VINYARDS 5-8pm. Join us for a special evening with local's favorite Soul Kiss on the Dickinson House lawn, Ticket includes a glass of wine. Additional wine & food available to purchase. Eden Rift Vinyards 10034 Cienega Rd., Hollister 831.636.1991

SATURDAY JULY 9 - SUNDAY JULY 10

B & R FARMS U-PICK AND VINTAGE MARKET B & R Farms, 5280 Fairview Rd, Hollister. 831.637.9168 www.BRFARMS.com

THURSDAY JULY 14 - SUNDAY JULY 17

USSP US SENIOR PICKLEBALL WEST ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS San Benito High School, Hollister. Doubles & singles. All skill levels. Tournament Director Mike Hoxie pickleballisgreat@gmail.com 971.333.1744

SATURDAY JULY 16

35TH ANNUAL STREET FESTIVAL & CAR SHOW DOWN TOWN HOLLISTER 10am-4pm. Don't miss this great event!! Car show of over 250 cars, 2 stages of live music, kid area, merchant sales & vendors. FREE ADMISSION.

SUNDAY JULY 17

THE ART OF EATING AT PAICINES RANCH 5-8pm. Paicines Ranch and will include local wines, live music & entertainment. Visit SanBenitoarts.org

SUNDAY AUGUST 14

SAN JUAN DAY Modeled after Aromas Day. Our re-imagined event will celebrate all that is the best of San Juan, antiques, garage sales, pancake breakfast, chickens, good food & drink. Family fun & entertainment.

ASK RECOLOGY

Celebrate Summer sustainably!

By Gabbie Ulloa

With the weather warming up, I am eager to get outside and organize some fun events and spend time with my friends and family. Do you have any ideas to make them earth-friendly?

Summery from Sunnyslope

Dear Summery,

Summer is a great time to spend outdoors with loved ones, especially here in San Benito. There are so many outdoor spaces nearby that would make great spots for hosting your events. Here are a few things to keep in mind to make them eco-friendly and fun!

When it comes to barbecues and picnics, using reusables instead of disposables can keep your gathering eco-friendly and save you money! In 2014 nearly 343 million tons of plastic were discarded in the US. The best way to avoid adding to this discouraging statistic is to bring reusable utensils, plates, cups, and other barbecue essentials. Planning ahead and finalizing your menu early can also assist in preventing unnecessary food waste.



Knowing how many people you're expecting can significantly reduce your waste by preventing overbuying. With the Hollister Farmer's Market now up and running, consider featuring local foods on the menu. This will reduce the environmental footprint of your event and support your local community!

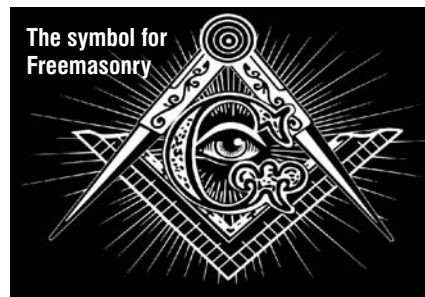
When it comes to planning get-togethers with friends and family, you might also consider planning an experiential event such as a hiking day to explore nearby trails! I'd recommend June 6 for your next trip, which is National Trails Day! We are very fortunate here with so many options within a short distance. Before hitting the trails, be sure to pack your snacks in reusable bags and containers and bring a refillable water bottle. Not only will you get in some great activity, but you'll also be able to enjoy the beautiful weather and spend some bonding time with those you care about.

Zero Wastingly,
Gabbie Ulloa



Sources: <https://thebarbecuelab.com/food-waste/>
<https://eco-age.com/resources/bbq-season-sustainably/>
<https://americanhiking.org/national-trails-day/> ■

Gabbie is a Waste Zero Specialist with Recology San Benito. Do you have a question for Gabbie? Send it to gulloa@recology.com.



Origins

The Third Degree

There are several tales about the origin of "the third degree," a saying commonly used for long or arduous interrogations. One theory argues the phrase relates to the various degrees of murder in the criminal code; yet another credits it to Thomas F. Byrnes, an 19th century New York City policeman who used the pun "Third Degree Byrnes" when describing his hardnosed questioning style. In truth, the saying is more likely derived from the Freemasons, a centuries old fraternal organization whose members undergo rigorous questioning and examinations before becoming "third degree" members, or "master masons." ■

THOMMELIER

Etiquette and decorum go hand in hand with wine

By Thomas Brenner, Sommelier
Palo Alto Hills Golf & Country Club

Opinion: Wine is always a wonderful thing to be surrounded by. But it is, like so many things in life, all about what you make of it. Wine can play a part in backwater, trashy front porch rompers, or it may serve to augment the wuthering heights of a ballroom gala charitable event...in Monaco! The choice is yours. And I encourage you to enjoy any wine any way you'd like. After all, wine is classy, accessible, far-fetched, bougey, furthers togetherness, and gets you feeling great. It heightens experiences and reveals all.

A customary code of polite behavior in society would benefit not only those that surround you, but may also aid you in furthering your own experience with the wondrous elixir we refer to as wine: alcoholized fruit juice and the people sipping it.

Etiquette, decorum and propriety go hand



in hand with the wine world. The illustrious world of wine has often been stigmatized as pretentious, unattainable and sometimes far-fetched. This school of thought should not necessarily be deemed as fact because wine etiquette centers around a profound enhancement of social, cultural and environmental goings-on. And you may ask yourself, "How is wine etiquette relevant to me?" It turns out, etiquette is all-encompassing. When applied in terms of wine stuff, it can enhance business dinners, meeting the parents, formal gatherings, under-bridge drinking and classy dinner dates.

Most blowhards would inform you that it's white before red, dry before sweet and light before heavy. Drink lesser wines before better wines, sparkling before still and young before mature. A theme is always advised. French? Reds? Region? Vintage? Enjoy an appetizer with an aperitif: dry vermouth,

sparkling wine, dry (not sweet) white. Take in your salad with Riesling, Gewurztraminer, rosé, sparkling, Chablis or Sauvignon Blanc. Soup goes with white Burgundy or vintage Champagne. Fish and fowl mesh with white wine or dry Champagne while game, as well as other red meats, are advised to be paired with dry red wines.

On it goes. Cheese goes with sweet wines, such as Madeira, Marsala, Port, Sherry, Tokaji, Riesling, or Sherry. Chocolate should be paired with port or cream sherry. Finally, maybe follow with some sweet vermouth. Or not. These are merely textbook, basic, rigid principles, not rules. Drink what you enjoy with what you enjoy eating. Red wine with fish, I say.

Remember to serve and enjoy wine at the perfect temperature after it has been stored at the perfect temperature correlating with its style. Let the wine breathe and maybe aerate it, if needed. Decant them for 1-2 hours if they're young reds, and only about 30 minutes (if at all) for mature reds over 8 years. Very old wines shouldn't be decanted, nor should rosé, sparkling or most white wines. Splash decant young wines and decant old wines over a candle and white background to aid in trapping sediment at the bottle's neck. Allowing air to infiltrate wine can reawaken flavors and bring the wine back to life after being locked away in a bot-

tle all this time.

How do I open a bottle? Wipe any moisture or dust from it and cut the foil under the lip. For sparkling wines, twist the cage's wire 5 ½ to 6 times, open quietly (like a ninja's sigh), by twisting the bottle from below and holding your thumb steadily over the cork while not pointing the cork toward anyone.

There's also a pouring order, prioritized by the host, then the guest of honor, the ladies, gents, and all this in a clockwise fashion. My personal wine selection ideally includes prioritizing sweet-spot, reputable "small region" selections relative to price point, from talented producers over exceptional vintages (research and experience is recommended for the latter two, should a sommelier not be on hand). Those of us wearing lipstick should sip from the same part of the glass for each sip, it's been said. Put a napkin on your lap, they say. But, truly never drink and drive. Pace yourself. Don't throw up. After all, you taste with your palate, not with your stomach. Leave your cell phone off the table and don't brag. Or not. You do you. Just drink what you want, with whom you want, where you want. Cheers, Friend.

Please send your wine questions to Mission Village Voice and be featured in next month's article. I would love to hear from our dear readership. ■

MISSIONVILLAGEVOICE

Community Bulletin Board

Gavilan College offers FREE 2-day Amazon Fiber Optic Certification workshops

Gavilan College is offering a quick, FREE, 2-day Amazon Web Services (AWS) Fiber Optic Fusion Splicing Certificate course. Experienced fiber optic techs can earn over \$100K per year. These free workshops can lead to an excellent job in the tech industry. The workshops will take place on June 1st and 2nd at the Gavilan College Gilroy campus (5055 Santa Teresa Blvd) from 8 am to 5 pm. There will be a ceremony and employer networking event on Thursday, June 2 until 6:30 PM. This is a collaboration with Amazon Web Services (AWS) and Sumitomo Electric Lightwave. After the two days, attendees will have the opportunity to meet employers wanting to hire individuals who completed the course.

Companies that install and repair fiber optic cable for data centers and communications need workers who can help build these networks. This 2-day AWS Fiber Optic Fusion Splicing Certificate course, taught by industry leaders, will give you the right skills and introduce you to employers who are hiring.

DETAILS:

- Breakfast and lunch will be provided at no cost both days, with light snacks and refreshments at the Thursday event.
- No prior experience or coursework is required; participants must be able to speak, read and write English.
- Attendees will be asked to do a 2-3-hour online course before attending the in-person training.

Do not wait, seats are filling up quickly: <https://bit.ly/FreeTechWorkshopsJune1>

For more information, please email: lmann@gavilan.edu.

Dental care for veterans in need

Dentistry4Vets is a non-profit dental office located at The Montage Wellness Center in Marina, CA that treats military veterans in need and suffering from a lack of dental care. The Community Foundation for San Benito County awarded a \$5,000 grant to Dentistry4Vets in the fall of 2021 which has enabled the clinic to treat military veterans who are residents of San Benito County.

Services for veterans include a comprehensive dental exam plus x-rays, fillings, extractions, crowns, bridges, and partial/full dentures. Dentistry4Vets FIVE promises to veterans are: 1) Continuity of care for long term overall good health; 2) Comprehensive care to include the services mentioned above plus referrals to dental specialists in the community; 3) Quality care for veterans ensuring they receive a high standard of care; 4) Cost-benefit of care with a discounted fee schedule to assist in making treatment affordable, and 5) Ease of care because we only serve veterans- we understand their special needs and strive to make our dental office a safe and caring environment, especially for veterans.

Julian Atkins, a veteran of the United States Air Force and a resident of San Benito County was suffering due to not being able to eat and feeling embarrassed by the appearance of his teeth. He indicated his self-esteem was low and that he did not smile. As a result of re-

ceiving treatment from Dentistry4Vets, he says his "overall health and social interactions" have improved. What's more, his pain levels decreased from moderate pain to no pain, and he is now smiling!

The service is only possible due to community support. This grant was leveraged with other grant funding, financial donations, and in-kind contributions including from volunteer dentists and specialists, in order to maximize the number of veterans treated and the level of treatment. To learn more or to schedule an appointment, please call (831) 883-9371.

The San Benito County Arts Council announces a First Responder Art Show featuring works by local Emergency Responders

Join the Arts Council and local fire and law enforcement for a First Responder Art Show from 2-5 pm on Saturday, June 18th at The Art Depot, 35 5th Street,

located in the historic train depot in downtown Hollister. This exhibition will include a collection of artworks created by participating first responders from Hollister Fire Department, Hollister Police Department, San Benito Sheriff, and more. Some of the pieces displayed in the show have been created by individual participants, and others are collaborative projects.

This event is an opportunity for community members to see the art, tour fire trucks and police vehicles, and connect with local first responders on an individual level while celebrating the work that they do every day to keep our communities safe. This event is free and open to the public.

All proceeds and money raised from the sale of art will benefit mental health and peer support for first responders.

The First Responder Exhibition will be on display at The Art Depot, June 18th-July 8th. Email heidi@sanbenitoarts.org to make arrangements for viewing.

For more information, call 831.636.2787 or email heidi@sanbenitoarts.org.

Registration is now open for Summer Art Camp!

The San Benito County Arts Council is now enrolling students in Summer Art Camp. Summer Art Camp is a

great way for students to try different artistic styles, mediums and techniques in a condensed 3-day workshop format. Art Camps take place at The Art Depot, 35 5th Street, Ste. D, located in the historic train depot in downtown Hollister. The cost is \$60/student/per camp with a \$10 sibling discount. All materials will be provided.

Camps run Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays
Ages 5-7 attend 10-11:30am | Ages 8-13 attend 12-1:30pm | Ages 11-14 attend 2:30-4pm
Week 1- Paint Party Camp, June 28-30
Week 2- Creating with Clay Camp, July 5-7
Week 3- Exploring Watercolor, July 12-14
Week 4- Making Mosaic, July 19-21
Week 5- Portrait Camp, July 26-28

The Arts Council will also be offering single session Paint Parties for ages 8-13, every Monday and Friday, 1-3 pm, beginning on July 8.

For online registration or to view the full class schedule and descriptions, please visit www.sanbenitoarts.org. Single camp scholarships available for qualifying San Benito County students! Email heidi@sanbenitoarts.org to inquire about a scholarship application.

For more information about Summer Art Camp, please contact the Arts Council at 831.636.2787 or heidi@sanbenitoarts.org. ■



VOWS

Jarae Nicole Tanner of Hollister, CA and Daniel Patrick Anglin of Niles, MI were married on April 16, 2022, surrounded by their closest family and friends in Joshua Tree, CA. The scenic ceremony was officiated by Jackie Ferreira of San Juan Bautista. It was beautifully coordinated by Hailey Kemp, and the DJ/MC was Miguel Silva. The couple spent their honeymoon in San Francisco and are currently residing in Los Angeles. *Photography by thehendrys.co*



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COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SAN BENITO COUNTY

Congratulations to the Class of '22!

Congratulations to the graduating students from Anzar High School, San Andreas Continuation High School, San Benito High School, and all local San Benito County Schools. The Community Foundation is happy to share in the excitement of their well-deserved success. In support of our many high school graduates and current college students, Community Foundation is very proud to announce 2022 scholarship recipients.



2022 Scholarship Recipients

Adam Baxter Memorial Scholarship
Ethan Salcedo, Meaghan Ricker, Susan Diaz

Charlie Presser Memorial Scholarship
Jordan Patino-Bejines, Aaron Gonzalez Arana

Charlotte Cabral Scholarship Fund
Cristian Camacho, Tyler Pacheco, Audrie Casey

Class of 1971 Scholarship
Christian Turner, Mya Perez

Franca Barsi Memorial Scholarship
Ayden Triano

Hollister Rotary Scholarship
Charlotte Meredith, Slater Krokower, Tystan Mumm, Mia Villegas, Naia Traveria-Gonzalo, Samuel Vincent, Brianna Phillips, Isabella Botelho, Caroline Fleming, Nicholas Gutierrez, Eli Holdaway, Frida Barba, Daniel Lopes, Ryen Ortiz, Nicholas Carpenedo

Hope for a Cure Memorial Educational Scholarship

De'Angelo Blair, Mya Perez, Daniel Lopes
Jean Gillaspie Memorial Scholarship - Athlete

Ryen Ortiz

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Emily Delgado

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Brian Estrada, Dario Garcia, Melissa Gutierrez, Antonio Lara, Sienna Perez, Breanne Rosas, Abraham Solorio

John L. & Jean M. Barrett Scholarship Fund

Daniel Lopes, Eduardo Lopez, Abraham Solorio



Recipient of the Timothy Conley Baldwin Leadership Scholarship, Nicholas Carpenedo, and Recipient of the Timothy Conley Baldwin STEAM Scholarship, Jesse Preciado, receive their award during San Benito High School Senior Awards Night.

Kelly Freitas Memorial Scholarship

Mya Perez

Kenny Fehlman Memorial Scholarship

Ethan Salcedo, Meaghan Ricker

Klauer Family Young Leader Scholarship

Mia Villegas, Daniel Lopes

Latino Generations Scholarship

Eirindida Corona, Susan Diaz, Brian

Estrada, Joseph Fata, Antonio Lara, Alexandra Mares, Hector Ochoa, Jesse Preciado

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Timothy Conley Baldwin STEAM

Jesse Preciado

William Burton Nichols Memorial Scholarship

Mia Villegas, Brian Estrada

Women's Club of Hollister Scholarship

Meaghan Ricker, Kyleigh McMullen, Mia

Villegas, Isabela Botello, Madeline Slater

A thriving community depends on supporting the educational endeavors of future leaders and talented individuals entering the workforce. These scholarships provide students less worry about covering the cost of tuition, books, supplies, and other essentials, in order to focus more on the opportunities in front of them. Since 2006 the Community Foundation has awarded over \$500,000 in scholarships to San Benito County students. We are exceptionally grateful to all of our generous donors, without whom this would not be possible.

If you are interested in learning more about the available scholarships, making a donation, or setting up a fund to support higher educational endeavors, visit our website at GiveSanBenito.org, or contact Brenda Weatherly at BWeatherly@GiveSanBenito.org ■



DEARLY DENOTED Headstone of the month

Charles Dickens is buried in **Poets' Corner** of Westminster Abbey, amid other literary greats such as Chaucer

and Robert Browning.

Poets' Corner is the name traditionally given to a section of Westminster where a number of poets, playwrights, and writers are buried and commemorated there. Burial in Poets' Corner is regarded as a great honour, granted only to the greatest of writers. However, some of the people buried there are not as famous as they once were, their literary reputations having faded over time. ■

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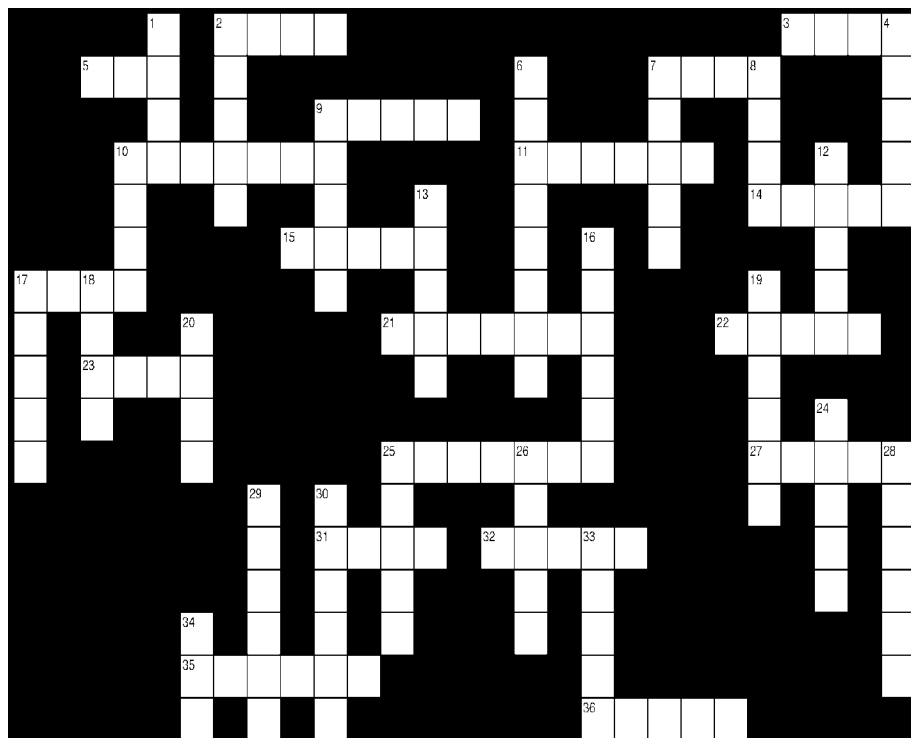
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- 9 Do slightly better than
- 10 +Floral/female name
- 11 +Floral/female name
- 14 Soft shoe leather
- 15 Out-of-the-ball-park hit
- 17 52 cards
- 21 +Floral/female name
- 22 Meat on a skewer
- 23 +Floral/female name
- 25 +Floral/female name

- 27 Best possible
- 31 + Floral/female name
- 32 Not bottled or canned, as beer
- 35 +Floral/female name
- 36 Color for correct letters in Wordle

DOWN

- 1 Use a keyboard
- 2 Who doesn't write right
- 4 More than enough
- 6 +Floral/female name
- 7 +Floral/female name
- 8 Drinks slowly
- 9 Ready __, here I come
- 10 Sound of traffic frustration
- 12 Study of the brain,

- informally
- 13 From the city
- 16 Port city in Ukraine
- 17 +Floral/female name
- 18 Online shopping icon
- 19 Border of a page
- 20 +Floral/female name
- 24 Double __ (DNA structure)
- 25 Piece of glass that refracts light
- 26 San Fran football player
- 28 +Floral/female name
- 29 +Floral/female name
- 30 Cursed with bad luck
- 33 Everyone's doing it
- 34 +Floral/female name

Last month's puzzle solution



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JUNE 2022 by Hilda De Anza



ARIES
March 21-April 20
You'll be in an extremely competitive

frame of mind, with a single goal in mind that you are determined to reach. Economic transformation is likely, perhaps there are some toxic assets you need to drop, and some productive assets you need to focus on. This month promises to be successful in almost any area you choose to channel your energy into. Communication projects that have been delayed will give excellent results in mid-June.



TAURUS
April 21-May 21
Around the 12th, you can expect surprising

developments connected with career, a relationship, or involvement with a group of people who are geared towards change and the future. Mid-June is a time when you attend to your own agenda without compromise, and no one is going to be able to tell you what to do. Towards the end of June, the focus turns towards money-making ideas. This is a time when financial alliances are made.



GEMINI
May 22-June 21
You start the month with your sign ruler

Mercury retrograde, and this indicates that you are in a transition period. From mid-June onwards things really go your way, and the full moon in Sagittarius on the 14th is extremely favorable for partnership, friendships, and group projects. A bond that was forged back in early May can be re-established because someone you want to connect with is now in a much freer situation and eager to take dynamic action.



CANCER
June 22-July 22
Extremely dynamic trends are at play during

the month of June, and it is a time for leadership initiatives. Creative professional ventures thrive right now. There are perhaps more challenging developments on the social scene. The last week of June is an extremely dynamic and perhaps rather fraught period, if you forge ahead without humility you can end up misjudging the situation.



LEO
July 23-August 22
June is an extremely positive and upbeat

period for you. The adventurer comes out in you, and you'll want to spread your wings and explore the world. It's a great month for friendships and having fun in general, especially

around the full moon on June 14th, which is a time when dreams and fantasies raise high hopes. During the last week or so of June you'll want to get away from it all, be less involved in social arrangements, and perhaps start traveling.



VIRGO
August 23-September 22
Early June you may be

working on resolving some tough communication issues affecting work or studies. By the full moon on the 14th, you'll be ready to pick up where you left off in your career and forge dynamic and successful business relationships. There are high hopes in your career, and in your family life too, and dreams of expansion. By the end of June however, there is a major change of emphasis, with economic benefits and strong professional connections bringing dynamic change and career advancement.



LIBRA
September 23 - October 22
As June begins, you

will be engaged with dynamic partners, who treasure their independence, are willing to take risks and have adventures, and who generally open new horizons for you. At the same time, you extricate yourself from too much dependency and guard your own values, resources, and autonomy. This all changes during the last week of June, when you emerge from your self-protective cocoon and are ready to explore new horizons. This is very favorable for partnership and especially for travel.



SCORPIO
October 23- November 21
You are tremendously

energized in June, and very conscious about health and fitness. This energy is also channeled into your working life, and you can expect considerable expansion and a much greater demand on your leadership abilities. By the end of June, things lighten up and there is a lot more flexibility and openness to excitement and adventure in your relationships. This is a month of deep psychological insights when secrets are uncovered.



SAGITTARIUS
November 22- December 21
This is a high-octane

time when you race around looking for stimulating experiences. This is a very competitive influence. As far as romance, you are ready to tango, and it can hardly happen fast enough. This is in fact a very favorable month

for relationships, and for the single Sagittarian a tentative bond made last month can prove to be the spark that starts a longer-term relationship. Someone who was lost from view appears on the horizon again, and an extremely fruitful relationship can begin.



CAPRICORN
December 22- January 20
This is a time to dig in,

and you will want to economize. This is an extremely dynamic period for family life, and a hectic atmosphere prevails at home. June promises to be a successful and productive time for work and partnership, and new colleagues are full of excellent ideas which promote communication, marketing, and general outreach to others. Everyone seems to be functioning optimally, and this is going to be good for finances.



AQUARIUS
January 21- February 19
This promises to be a

well-oiled month, when the people in your life are at their best, and everyone seems to be experiencing benefits all round. This is a time to step back. You've achieved a lot, and what you need now is not to strive more, but to look back over what you have achieved, adjusting things here and there so those well-oiled wheels keep on spinning. June is a great time for relationships, and the full moon on the 14th signals a fruitful time for both love and friendship. This is a good time to socialize and to expand your circle of friends.



PISCES
February 20- March 20
This is an extremely

dynamic time for you, and you seem to have unlimited energy to go and get whatever you want. You are in a competitive frame of mind, and will want to take financial risks to start pioneering ventures. June promises to be an excellent month for relationships, both for the single Pisces and the Pisces with a family. Bonds tentatively created last month can now be re-created. The difference is that your situation has changed, so that you now can embark on alliances which you could not make earlier. You've changed from a lazy fish into a swordfish, and you are willing to chase away the competition.



BOOK EXCERPT

A Girl Named Siri

Her parents named her Siri years ago,
A very pretty, not so common name.
Back then there was no way that they
could know
The iPhone lady would be named the
same.

Folks thought that she should now know
everything.

They sought directions, wanted her advice,
Asked private stuff, requested that she sing,
And many times were anything but nice.

She thought, "A name change might im-
prove my life."

A lawyer filed the proper forms in court.
It seemed to put an end to all her strife.
Alas, her time of happiness was short.



Turns out her new name proved to be a
curse.

She chose Alexa. Now, her life is worse.
— Excerpt from "Spunky Grandmas and Other
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The stamp features an oil portrait of Graham, based on a photograph taken in the 1970s, during the peak of her influence as owner and president of The Washington Post Co., where she was also publisher of its flagship newspaper. Art director Derry Noyes designed the stamp with original art by Lynn Staley.

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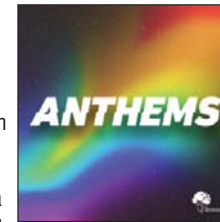
tions nationwide.

Katharine Meyer Graham (June 16, 1917 – July 17, 2001) was an American newspaper publisher. She led her family's newspaper, *The Washington Post*, from 1963 to 1991. Graham presided over the paper as it reported on the Watergate scandal, which eventually led to the resignation of President Richard Nixon. She was the first twentieth century female publisher of a major American newspaper. Graham's memoir, *Personal History*, won the Pulitzer Prize in 1998. ■

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Anthems: Pride

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Soul Music

This long-running Radio 4 program is about the strange ricochets and resonances which music can have through your life, and how the things you live through change your perspective on what a song means. The format might sound a little bit dry – each time ordinary people reflect on a different song or piece of music and its significance to them – but every single time it carries a serious emotional wallop. Recently it's covered David Bowie's 'Life on Mars?' and Talking Heads' 'Once in a Lifetime', but the archive spans 31 series going back 20 years, and often the best ones are those about music you've never heard before.



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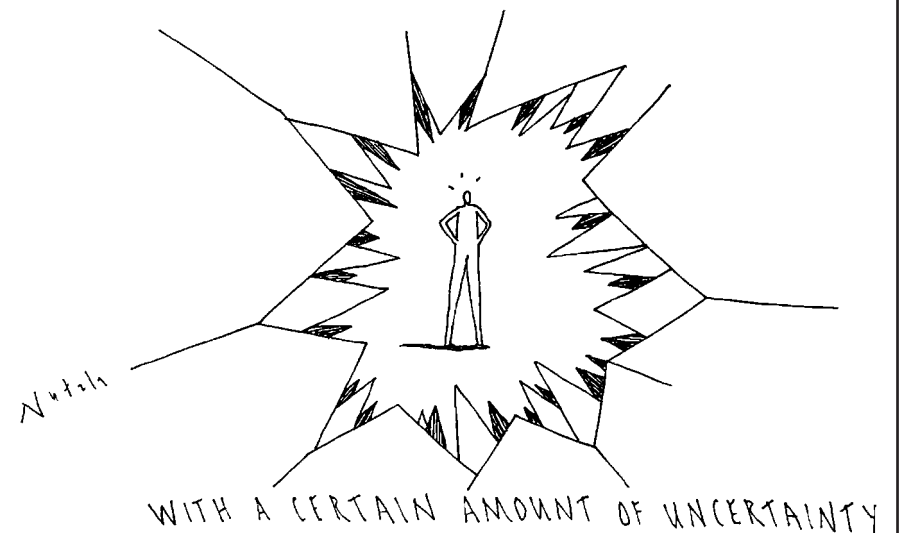
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