

## Dawn Addis And Jeff Heller – Contrasts in Style

By Neil Farrell



From left: Councilwoman Dawn Addis, Councilman Jeff Heller and Mayor John Headling are sworn into office last December. Photo by Neil Farrell

Morro Bay's two newest City Council members couldn't be more philosophically different or be more different in their approaches to the job, and perhaps as might be expected, they've also had different experiences through their first few months in office.

Councilwoman Dawn Addis and Councilman Jeff Heller agreed to do a story for Estero Bay News discussing their early experiences on the council.

The two have some things in common, like neither had ever run for public

office before winning election in November 2018. Each also considers it a great honor to represent their community and work towards the common good.

But the two also ran on opposite sides of the biggest issue in town — the City's efforts to build a new sewer treatment plant and water recycling system, with Addis in favor and Heller one of the more vocal critics of the project.

Those positions have carried forward over the first few meetings, with Heller say-

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## New Cayucos Super Market Owners Plan Changes

By Neil Farrell



It's been a fixture in the Town That Time Forgot since its founding in 1953, and now with new owners, the Cayucos Super Market is about to undergo an extensive makeover and much needed upgrade.

Yamen Tanous and a partner purchased the little store at 301 S. Ocean Ave., just 3 weeks ago from longtime owner and retired Cayucos Fire Chief, Bill Radke. And while the store looks unchanged from the outside, Tanous says they have big plans for the inside.

With little corner markets like this being forced out of business all across the nation by giant, corporate mega-stores,

why'd they decide to buy the Cayucos Super Market?

"We talked to the owner about 4-years ago and he said he was not ready yet, that it wasn't for sale," explains Tanous while sitting in the cramped little office at the rear of the store.

"We came back to him just before Christmas in 2018," Tanous adds, "and he said 'Yes, I'm ready to sell.' So we made a deal and we bought it."

Tanous, who is a long-time Arroyo Grande resident, says he'll be running the store on a day-to-day basis. He says that the old-fashioned corner market needs a lot of

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## Keep the Creep out of Cuesta Inlet

By Theresa-Marie Wilson  
Photos by Dean Sullivan



More than 200 small sailboats, canoes, kayaks, dinghies and stand up paddleboards at the Cuesta Inlet in Los Osos will be inspected for registration and license compliance as well as disrepair.

A group of volunteers with the community advocacy group Celebrate Los Osos will once again undergo efforts to prevent so called "boat creep" at the Cuesta Inlet in Los Osos on March 16 starting at 10 a.m.

Boat creep refers to the number of kayaks, canoes, stand up paddleboards, dinghies and small sailboats that line the shore at the Inlet — many of which have been dumped and abandoned.

"The last time I counted, there was over 200," said, Pandora Nash-Karner, president of Celebrate Los Osos. The group became involved with the Inlet project about a decade ago.

Despite signs to the contrary, some people are under the misconception that the 11-acre Cuesta Inlet, between Binscarth Road and Mitchell Drive, is a public park. However, it is one of the few intertidal areas in the state of California that's privately owned. The State Lands Commission owns almost all of the land under the state's tidal/intertidal waters.

Those signs also detail the regulations. Boats assumed abandoned can be removed

by the property owner after 60 days under County Code Section 8.24, which allows "abatement and removal as a public nuisance of abandoned, wrecked, dismantled and inoperative" vessels. Owners could also be responsible for the costs to remove their boat.

The rules are pretty simple to store your small craft for free. To be in compliance with the property owner's request, the vessels need to be registered with the Department of Motor Vehicles, if applicable, and contact information including a name and a contact number in a plastic baggie should be duct-taped to the hull. All vessels must be registered except boats that are manually propelled and sailboats 8 feet or shorter as well as boats from outside the state that are registered currently in their homes states. The group cautions people not to use a permanent marker to write information on their watercraft because the elements will erase the efforts.

Notices will be taped to all boats out of compliance. Attempts will also be made to contact people with fading identification

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## Honoring Women of Distinction

Cuesta College and The Community Foundation San Luis Obispo County's Women's Legacy Fund announce the recipients of the 2019 Women of Distinction awards. Five outstanding Central Coast women are recognized for their professional and civic contributions. Honorees are nominated by their peers and chosen by a selection committee.

The awards ceremony is Thursday, March 21, at 4 p.m. on the Cuesta College San Luis Obispo Campus in Building 5400, Room 5401. The ceremony and awards celebrate Women's History Month (March) and recognize the contributions local women make in the areas of volunteerism, professionalism and philanthropy.

The awards ceremony is open to the public. Tickets cost \$25 and are available for purchase on The Community Foundation SLO County's website or by calling (805) 543-2323. Parking is complimentary for attendees in Lot 2. Food, wine and coffee will be served at the event. Music will be provided by the Cuesta College Music Ensemble.

**Simone Y. Hosey – Community and Public Service, Professional**

Cal Poly Graduate and U.S. Navy veteran Simone Y. Hosey has devoted herself to the California National Guard Grizzly Youth Academy for 18 years. The academy is dedicated to helping youth who are at-risk of or have dropped out of high school. Hosey is always working to ensure the success of the cadets, serving as a role model and mentor at the academy -- especially to female cadets. She not only provides her own support but has sought out speakers to come to the academy and encourage young cadets. Hosey currently serves as the academy's Community Outreach Coordinator and National Youth Outreach and Engagement Coordinator.

**Jessica L. Lorance – Community and Public Service, Volunteer**

Dedicated to making the community a better place, Jessica L. Lorance founded CommUNITY Connection Events to provide underrepresented groups by providing them free access to medical, housing, food, haircuts, and housing assistance. These services greatly provide for veterans, civilians, and families in San Luis Obispo County. Lorance serves as the Homeless Ser-

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## Get Involved with the Estuary Program

Don't miss the second annual season of free science talks -- Morro Bay Science Explorations with the Estuary Program. Each event features three speakers who discuss research, projects, and other work related to a specific theme. All three Science Explorations events take place at the San Luis Obispo Botanical Garden's Oak Glen Pavilion from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday evenings. March 21 is a focus on wildlife and restoration in our local creeks with talks on beavers in California and their role in restoration, the return of lamprey to SLO creek, and what bugs can tell us about the health of our creeks. May 16 is a focus on shellfish with talks on native oyster restoration, Pismo clams, and oyster farming in Morro Bay.

Also there is continued work on eelgrass restoration. The next set of plantings takes place Saturday, March 16 through Tuesday, March 19. For more information or to volunteer, go to [www.mbnep.org/events](http://www.mbnep.org/events)



Eelgrass forms an underwater meadow that supports a wide range of wildlife, like this sea star. Photo courtesy of the Morro Bay National Estuary Program

## Hourglass Project Appoints CEO



Melissa James named CEO of Hourglass Project. Photo submitted

Citing her proven track record of regional collaboration, policy innovation and economic vision, the board of directors of the Hourglass Project has named Melissa James as the organization's first president and chief executive officer.

"I greatly appreciate the Board's confidence in me, and I'm excited to step into this role," James said. "In many ways, the Hourglass mission is personal for me. I went to school here, and built my career and family here. I know too many hard-working people on the Central Coast who are struggling to get by, let

alone get ahead. I want to see more people -- including my two daughters -- have the opportunities to build a life and future here on the Central Coast."

Under her leadership, the new organization will develop and launch short- and long-term actions that bring

high-quality jobs and a new era of economic prosperity to San Luis Obispo and northern Santa Barbara counties.

"Over the past few years, Melissa has inspired and rallied our community to embrace a new collaborative approach to economic development across the Central Coast Super Region," said Hourglass Board Chair Ty Safreno, who is CEO of Trust Automation. "Melissa's tenacious commitment to uniting our region has been a driving force in our community. It was obvious to the board that she is the right person to lead our efforts going forward," Safreno added.

James, a Cal Poly graduate and native of Sacramento, has extensive public policy and strategic communications experience in both the public and private sectors. She served the Central Coast in the California State Senate, as capitol director for former State Senator Sam Blakeslee, and later as an account executive for a nationally recognized public affairs, media and polling firm in Sacramento, where she worked with Fortune 500 companies and trade associations to navigate complex public policy debates.

She gained start-up experience as a core member of the team that founded the Institute for Advanced Technology and Public Policy, a nonpartisan think tank at Cal Poly that developed, deployed and scaled technology-based innovations to impact real world problems. She led regional economic development initiatives for the Economic Vitality Corporation and later the San Luis Obispo Cham-

ber of Commerce, where she developed and championed initiatives related to housing, infrastructure planning, the closure of Diablo Canyon and civility.

The Hourglass Project was launched by a core group of regional leaders who recognized the need for substantive action to reinvigorate our regional economy. The Founding Board includes members of four Central Coast chambers of commerce, Visit SLO CAL, Cal Poly and private industry.

Glenn Morris, Hourglass board member and CEO of the Santa Maria Chamber of Commerce said, "The region's chambers know we can accomplish more on behalf of our

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Entertainment

Hello, Estero Bay! Paul Irving here. As a local musician, bandleader, and owner of Big Big SLO, I keep a sharp eye on the local music scene. With over 350 local bands and almost 200 live music venues throughout the county, it can be difficult to find the best events. Here you'll find "Paul's Picks" - my personal recommendations on which shows to see. Here are some upcoming highlights

Paul's Picks



Music Con!

Calling all musicians, bands, promoters, venues, media, and everyone involved in the local music business. The 4th Annual Central Coast Music Con is a day of networking, presentations, pro jams, workshops, and more, aimed at connecting the local music and event industry more tightly. The keynote speaker is Bruce Flohr of Red Light Management (manages Dave Matthews, Miley Cyrus, etc.) presenting a discussion on how to take your music from local to global. This free event is at SLO Brew Rock Event Center on Sunday, March 24, from 12:00 - 6:00PM. Directly following is the Music Con After Party featuring performances by Upside Ska, Mannequins by Day, and Wordsauce. The after party is \$10. Photo by Stephen Heraldo



Dustbowl Revival & Hot Club of Cowtown

In celebration of the 50th anniversary of The Band, two of today's defining American roots groups join in an evening of their own songs and a special tribute to "Music from Big Pink" and "The Band." With strings, brass, dueling vocals and more, eclectic octet Dustbowl Revival blends folk-Americana and Stax-era soul into a genre-hopping, time-bending dance party. Joining them is Austin-based trio Hot Club of Cowtown, delivering hot jazz and Western swing light and tight. Inspired by European hot jazz and vintage American roots music, these Texas Western Swing Hall of Famers have shared stages with Bob Dylan, Willie Nelson and Roxy Music. Across the Great Divide is a countrified, bluegrass version of The Band's seminal albums that will lift the heart and please the soul. The show is Wednesday, March 20 at the Fremont Theater at 7:30PM. Tickets and more info at FremontSLO.com. Photo by Talley Media

Mamma Mia!

Morro Bay High School Theatre Arts presents Mamma Mia!, and their productions are really top notch. This is a fun and energetic musical featuring a soundtrack chalk full of songs written by the hit band: Abba! After a successful production of Little Shop of Horrors last year, we can expect great things from this year's spring musical. Be sure to bring the whole family, young and old, to this Broadway classic! Performances on March 15, 16, 17, 22, and 23. Info and tickets at MBHSdrama.com. Photo by Paul Irving



**Fri., Mar. 15** • 5:30pm  
Bear Market Riot  
BarrelHouse  
1033 Chorro Street,  
San Luis Obispo

**Fri., Mar. 15** • 5:30pm  
Carbon City Lights  
Santa Maria Brewing  
675 Clarion Court,  
San Luis Obispo

**Fri., Mar. 15** • 8:00pm  
Jacob Jonas The Company  
Performing Arts Center  
1 Grand Ave,  
San Luis Obispo

**Fri., Mar. 15** • 7:00pm  
Mamma Mia  
Morro Bay High School  
235 Atascadero Rd,  
Morro Bay

**Fri., Mar. 15** • 8:00pm  
Synrgy, True Zion  
The Siren  
900 Main St, Morro Bay

**Sat., Mar. 16** • 7:30pm  
ABBA Mania  
Clark Center for the  
Performing Arts  
487 Fair Oaks Ave,  
Arroyo Grande

**Sat., Mar. 16** • 8:30pm  
Bobby Santa Cruz Band  
The Pour House  
525 Pine Street,  
Paso Robles

**Sat., Mar. 16** • 5:30pm  
Chad Land Band  
BarrelHouse  
1033 Chorro Street,  
San Luis Obispo

**Sat., Mar. 16** • 5:00pm  
Charlie Baker  
Sea Pines Golf Resort  
1945 Solano St, Los Osos  
**Sat., Mar. 16** • 7:00pm  
Mamma Mia  
Morro Bay High School  
235 Atascadero Rd,  
Morro Bay

**Sat., Mar. 16** • 6:30pm  
Miss Leo  
Baywood Tavern  
690 Santa Maria Ave,  
Baywood Park

**Sat., Mar. 16** • 6:00pm  
Rick Springfield:  
Stripped Down  
Rava Wines  
6785 Creston Rd,  
Paso Robles

**Sat., Mar. 16** • 2:00pm  
Tio Comino  
Classical Guitar  
St. Benedicts Church  
2220 Snowy Egret Lane,  
Los Osos

**Sat., Mar. 16** • 6:00pm  
Up in the Air at  
Rotta Winery  
Rotta Winery  
250 Winery Road,  
Templeton

**Sun., Mar. 17** • 8:00pm  
Bob Benjamin  
Cambria Pines Lodge  
2905 Burton Dr, Cambria

**Sun., Mar. 17** • 8:00pm  
Jonathan Wilson  
A Satellite of Love  
1335 Walker Street,  
San Luis Obispo

**Sun., Mar. 17** • 7:00pm  
Mamma Mia  
Morro Bay High School  
235 Atascadero Rd,  
Morro Bay

**Mon., Mar. 18** • 4:00pm  
Beer at the Pier: Rachel  
Santa Cruz  
La Palapa  
1346 2nd Street,  
Baywood Park

**Tue., Mar. 19** • 7:00pm  
Cuesta Jazz  
Linnaea's Cafe  
1110 Garden St,  
San Luis Obispo

**Tue., Mar. 19** • 7:00pm  
Green Leaf Rustlers  
The Siren  
900 Main St, Morro Bay

**Tue., Mar. 19** • 7:00pm  
Jeff Elliot Live Jazz  
The Madonna Inn  
100 Madonna Road,  
San Luis Obispo

**Wed., Mar. 20** • 6:30pm  
Dustbowl Revival & Hot  
Club of Cowtown  
The Fremont Theater  
1035 Monterey St,  
San Luis Obispo

**Wed., Mar. 20** • 7:30pm  
Shawn James  
The Siren  
900 Main St, Morro Bay

**Wed., Mar. 20** • 7:00pm  
Watsky, Grieves, Beau  
Young Prince  
SLO Brew  
736 Higuera Street,  
San Luis Obispo

**Thu., Mar. 21** • 6:00pm  
Open Mic Nighth: Rachel  
Santa Cruz  
Baywood Tavern  
690 Santa Maria Street,  
Baywood Park

**Thu., Mar. 21** • 6:30pm  
Burning, Bad and Cool  
Puffers of Pismo  
781 Price Street,  
Pismo Beach

**Thu., Mar. 21** • 6:00pm  
Pairings: Ted Wise guitar  
and vocals  
STAX Wine Bar and Bistro  
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Morro Bay

**Fri., Mar. 22** • 5:30pm  
Kenny Taylor Band  
BarrelHouse  
1033 Chorro Street,  
San Luis Obispo

**Fri., Mar. 22** • 7:00pm  
Mamma Mia  
Morro Bay High School  
235 Atascadero Rd,  
Morro Bay

**Fri., Mar. 22** • 7:00pm  
Proxima Parada and Gene  
Evaro Jr.  
SLO Brew Rock Event  
Center  
855 Aerovista Place,  
San Luis Obispo

**Fri., Mar. 22** • 7:00pm  
Ras Danny and the Reggae  
Allstars  
Mr. Rick's  
404 Front St, Avila Beach

**Fri., Mar. 22** • 8:00pm  
Ricky Montijo Album Re-

lease Party  
The Siren  
900 Main St, Morro Bay

**Sat., Mar. 23** • 8:30pm  
Bear Market Riot  
The Pour House  
525 Pine Street,  
Paso Robles

**Sat., Mar. 23** • 8:15pm  
Luv Lab Presents: The  
Equinox  
The Siren  
900 Main St, Morro Bay

**Sat., Mar. 23** • 7:00pm  
Mamma Mia  
Morro Bay High School  
235 Atascadero Rd,  
Morro Bay

**Sat., Mar. 23** • 5:00pm  
Miss Leo  
Sea Pines Golf Resort  
1945 Solano St, Los Osos

**Sat., Mar. 23** • 7:30pm  
Over the River and  
Through the Woods  
Park Ballroom  
1232 Park Street, #200,  
Paso Robles

**Sat., Mar. 23** • 6:00pm  
Ras Danny - Authentic  
Jamaican Reggae  
Baywood Tavern  
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Baywood Park

**Sat., Mar. 23** • 7:00pm  
Starlight Dreamband - Big  
Band Jazz  
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**Sun., Mar. 24** • 12:00pm  
Music Con!  
SLO Brew Rock  
855 Aerovista Place,  
San Luis Obispo

**Sun., Mar. 24** • 6:30pm  
Music Con After Party!  
SLO Brew Rock  
855 Aerovista Place,  
San Luis Obispo

**Sun., Mar. 24** • 7:00pm  
Ryan Bingham  
The Fremont Theater  
1035 Monterey St,  
San Luis Obispo

**Mon., Mar. 25** • 4:00pm  
Beer at the Pier: Robi  
Duganne  
La Palapa  
1346 2nd Street,  
Baywood Park

**Tue., Mar. 26** • 7:00pm  
Jazz Jam  
Linnaea's Cafe  
1110 Garden St,  
San Luis Obispo

**Thu., Mar. 28** • 6:00pm  
Baywood Open Mic Night  
with Rachel Santa Cruz!  
Baywood Tavern  
690 Santa Maria Street,  
Baywood Park

**Thu., Mar. 28** • 7:00pm  
Max Romeo & Dub Tonic  
Kru  
The Siren  
900 Main St, Morro Bay





# Events and Activities



Photo by Richard Mittleman

Birds of SLO, 2018 is a two-part slide show featuring outstanding images of over 200 species of birds taken last year by fifteen of the finest nature photographers in San Luis Obispo County. The photos are amazing and their impact is heightened by the synergistic effect of live guitar accompaniment by Jack Collins and Bob Clark. The program will be preceded by an artist reception to honor the photographers and to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the Birds of SLO series on March 18 at the SLO Botanical Garden Oak Glen Pavilion in El Chorro Regional Park. The reception is at 6:30 p.m. and the program is at 7 p.m.

All Morro Coast Audubon Society community programs are free and open to the public. All ages are welcome. Drinks and snacks will be provided courtesy of MCAS. If you enjoy birds and birding, you'll enjoy the evening.

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The Small Wilderness Area Preservation (SWAP) 3rd Saturday Nature Walk in the Los Osos Elfin Forest takes place March 16, at 9:30 a.m. at the Marine Life in the Estuary. Cuesta College marine biologist Steve Hendricks will lead a walk focusing on aquatic life in the Morro Bay estuary. As we look over the estuary from each of the Elfin Forest's two viewing decks, Steve will talk about life histories of the dominant species found in the bay, the role they play in the estuarine ecosystem, and current threats to their survival. We'll learn how local Native Americans and early settlers fished and harvested aquatic life in the bay, and about current aquaculture within the bay. This is a rare opportunity to know more about what goes on under the surface of our estuary. Heavy rain will cancel the walk.

Walks in the Elfin Forest begin at the north end of the 1100 block of 15th Street off Santa Ysabel in Los Osos. Wear closed-toe shoes, long sleeves and pants to avoid poison oak and mosquitoes. Park carefully, avoiding driveways and mailboxes, and leave pets at home. The easy paced walks last 1-1/2 to 2 hours. For more information call (805) 528-0392.

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Need a break from cooking dinner after a long week? The popular El Morro Church of the Nazarene's drive-thru tri-tip barbeque is back every Friday through the summer

from 4:30-7 p.m., beginning March 15. The dinners are \$10 for tri-tip, beans, bread and salad. Look for the drive-thru table outside the church at 1480 Santa Ysabel, Los Osos (corner of Santa Ysabel and South Bay Boulevard). Proceeds go toward the church's youth and missions programs. For more information, call 528-0391.

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Have you ever wondered what all that stuff is that's growing on docks and boat bottoms? Join the Morro Bay Museum Of Natural History For Saturday Scientists as they use dissecting microscopes to take a closer look on March 16, at 2 p.m. For more information, go to [centralcoastparks.org](http://centralcoastparks.org) 805-772-2694. This event is free and open folks 5 years and older

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The El Moro Democratic Club will hold their March meeting at Round Table Pizza in Los Osos on Tuesday, March 19 at 7 p.m. Dr. Susan Robinson will speak on the topic of Compassion & Choices, an organization dedicated to expanding options and empowering everyone to choose their end-of-life priorities and journey. The organization works to ensure that healthcare providers honor and enable patients' decisions about their end-of-life care by advocating in the Congress, state legislatures and the Courts. Call Vita Miller for more information at 805-704-3173.



Join Workshop Mamas for the Spring Equinox, March 21, from 3-5 pm at the Coalesce bookstore chapel in Morro Bay to make spring dream catchers. The workshop is \$40 and they will supply all the materials.. That same day and time, they will also hold a paper tiling workshop, which includes a glass of wine, at Changala Winery located at 3770 Willow Creek Rd in Paso Robles. The class will create tile sheets from recycled paper and craft a frame project. The cost is \$95 including materials and a glass of wine. On March 23, Workshop Mamas will hold a 3- hour workshop at the Joslyn Center in Cambria located at 950 Main st. Painting is from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost is \$75 and includes all materials. If you would like to use your own easel then bring along. Pre registration is required. Go to [workshopmamas@gmail.com](mailto:workshopmamas@gmail.com) or 805 286-8380 for more information

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Check out the Los Osos Library, 2075 Palisades Ave, for fun events. They can be reached at 528-1862.

**Virtual Reality** – Tue., Mar 19, 6 p.m.  
Virtual Reality with Oculus is now available. Adults can step into space or into a new world with virtual reality at the library. Free.

**Book Discussion Group** – Thu., Mar 21, 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. All adults are invited to attend our reading and discussion group on the third Thursday of each month. Free  
**Understanding Medicare** – Sat., Mar 23, 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. HICAP provides information and counseling about Medicare so you can make informed decisions. Come learn more about your choices from a local HICAP Registered Counselor. Free

**Library Legos** – Thu., Mar 28, 3:30 p.m.  
Build Legos based on the monthly theme, or free build using your own ideas. Come prepared to use your imagination. Ages 3-12 welcome..

**Centennial Saturday** – Sat., Mar 30, 10 a.m.  
Come watch The Mark of Zorro (1920) a landmark in the development of the action adventure film! Starring Douglas Fairbanks. Free.

**Teen Block Printing** – Sat., Mar 30, 1 p.m.  
Teens create a work of art with block printing. Create your own print, or use one of ours. Ages 10-18. Free.



The Official Blues Brothers Review takes place at the Clark Center in Arroyo Grande on March 22 at 7:30 p.m. There have been many imitators, but there is only one duo in North America sanctioned by Dan Aykroyd and Judith Belushi to don the official hat and sunglasses and walk in the legendary footsteps of Jake and Elwood Blues. Under the musical direction of Paul Schaffer, The Official Blues Brothers Revue pays homage to Chicago's rich history of blues, soul music and gospel in the true spirit of the original Blues Brothers.

With Wayne Catania as Jake, Keiron Laffery as Elwood, and backed by a powerhouse band, The Official Blues Brother Revue lays down a big sound performed with passion, precision, and pure soul.

They strike the right balance of humor, music, and mayhem in a show that is fun for all ages and packed with classic hits from the Blues Brothers catalog, including "Soul Man", "Sweet Home Chicago", Rubber Biscuit" and more.

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Tickets are \$40 to \$50 each and available by calling the Clark Center Box Office at (805) 489-9444, purchase in person at 487 Fair Oaks Ave., A.G., and online at: <http://clarkcenter.org/event>.

Are you a grandparent raising your grandchild? Los Osos Cares will host a free support group beginning Friday, March 22, from 9 - 11 a.m. at Los Osos Cares' Community Resource Center. Branden Kay with Family Ties will facilitate the workshop and one on one counseling is available. Los Osos Cares is located in the upper parking lot off of Bayview Heights at Sunnyside School, Room 18. For more information and to register, call Family Ties at 805-434-2449 or Los Osos Cares at 805-592-2701.

Morro Bay Friends of the Library will hold a big Book Sale on Saturday, March 23 at the library located at 625 Harbor St. The "Members Only" shopping starts at 9 a.m. and you can join or renew your membership at the door. The sale is open to the public from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. with a \$3 a Bag sale from 12 - 1 p.m. Expect to find a great variety of quality, new looking books in every subject along with DVDs, CDs and magazines at very low prices. Hot picks include a huge collection of children's books for all ages, cookbooks, over-sized pictorial books, and popular fiction. The Friends Book Store also operates inside the library during all regular library hours and welcomes donations of gently used books, magazines and media. For more information, call 805-772-6394.

Central Coast Roller Derby is hosting "March Madness: A Roller Derby Triple Header!" from 4-9:30 p.m. Saturday, March 23 at the SLO Skatepark, located in Santa Rosa Park on Santa Rosa Street in SLO.

Tickets are \$5 a person (\$6.17 with fees) for 13-older and 12-under free.

Get tickets online at [www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com). Hosted by Central Coast Roller Derby and SLOCO Junior Roller Derby.

You'll see three, action-packed battles on the track sanctioned by the Women's Flat Track Derby Association and featuring Misery Loves Company out of San Jose vs. the Bellingham Roller Betties from Bellingham, Wash. MLC is ranked No. 209, while the Betties sit at No. 222.

Game two is a match up of SLOCO Junior Roller Derby teams, Black vs. White.

And in game three, The Betties will take on Central Coast Roller Derby's All Star travel team, SK805, currently ranked No. 181.

Gates open at 4 p.m. and there'll be beer, food and vendors on hand with raffle tickets for sale too. No outside food or drinks.



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The Morro Bay Art Association, Activities Room, 835 Main St, Morro Bay, will present Mandy Covish, elementary school teacher, for ongoing art classes designed to reach children between Kindergarten and 6th grades.

Mandy has taught primarily 2nd and 3rd grade levels in the Merced City School District and Clovis Unified School district. With her recent relocation to the Central Coast she is eager to begin teaching locally. Mandy taught GATE students (Gifted and Talented Education) for seven years, emphasizing on the arts as a vehicle to promote higher thought processes. She worked as the Reading Intervention Teacher and successfully implemented a fluency and comprehension program through Read Naturally, Soar to Success, Seeing Stars utilizing appropriate leveled books for grades K-6.

In the "Meet the Masters" classes; each session will focus on one of the great art masters. (Dates of featured artist below).

Mandy will engage students with short videos and hands on learning. Each session will feature a different artist with learning and activities illustrating their artistic style.

Parents must accompany K-2nd graders.

May 25: Georgia O'Keefe  
October 12: Andy Warhol  
October 13: Yayoi Kusama  
November 2: Vincent van Gogh  
November 10: Paul Klee

Classes for K-2nd graders are 9 a.m.-12pm and for 3rd-6th graders 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. The cost is \$20.00 per session

Preregistration is required: Contact Art Center Morro Bay (805) 772-2504 or online:<https://artcentermorrobay.org/index.php/shop/>

Clinical psychologist, Ruth Cherry, PhD, and the Rev. Sid Symington, will lead a workshop, "Weaving the Magic of Meditation Through Every Day," set for 1-3 p.m. Friday, March 29 at St. Peter's By The Sea Episcopal Church, 545 Shasta Ave., Morro Bay. Everyone is welcome and donations will be accepted.

Cherry said, "We anchor in the deepest, wisest part of who we are and say 'Yes' to the guidance we receive." She describes meditation as a lifestyle and a way of processing our experience, no matter what it is. "We partner with life and acknowledge a wisdom greater than our intellect's."

Rev. Symington is the pastor at St. Peter's and Cherry Ruth is a clinical psychologist in private practice. Call: (805) 439 2757 for more information.

Join the Rotary Club of Morro Bay at their All-You-Can-Eat Crab Feed Fundraiser benefiting our local communities and non-profits. Succulent fresh Dungeness crab, salads and hot garlic bread included with delicious desserts available for \$2. Beer, wine, sodas and water are provided with donations appreciated.

Doors open at 5 p.m. Saturday, April 6, at the Morro Bay Community Center located at 1001 Kennedy Way in Morro Bay with dinner served from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$60 per person and can be purchased by contacting Pete Zotovich (805) 748-0824 or Jude Long (805) 440-6541. Reserved tables for 8 or 10 are available at \$55 per person.

Listener-Supported Community Radio, 97.3 and 107.9 The Rock, will be celebrating its 6th year on-the-air with an annual fundraising concert at Morro Bay Vet's Hall, Saturday April 6 at 5:30 pm. Everybody is invited. Central California's only volunteer-operated and listener supported community radio station will wrap up its annual donation drive with a live tribute to The British Invasion with performances from Unfinished Business, The Vinylistics and Slogrrrl.

"It's truly amazing to see the community come together to donate their services, time and money to make this concert and the station a phenomenal success," says The Rock founder, Hal Abrams.

Admission is free. However, there will be freshly tapped beer, wine and great food available. A silent auction will happen between musical acts. Make sure to bring valid ID and your best friends.

Riding the Cambria Community Bus is totally free for residents of Cambria & San Simeon 55 years or older (and for those temporarily or permanently disabled). The buses are available door-to-door Monday through Friday (8 - 4:30 p.m.) for local businesses (doctor/dentist appointments, banking, shopping, hair appointments, etc.) and, can accommodate wheelchairs. Twice a month you can ride to San Luis Obispo and once a month to the Paso Robles / Templeton area.

One-day advance reservations required. Simply call dispatcher, Janet, at 805-927-4173 between 9 and 11 am.

All drivers are volunteers. If you'd like to volunteer (no special license required) call Tony Church at 805-927-1442

Core Dance Company will present their annual dance concert at the Cal Poly Performing Arts Center, March 23 and March 24. Core Dance Company is comprised of dancers ages 12-18 years old from San Luis Obispo County. RHYTHMS is a family friendly dance performance. This show will be the last performance directed by long time local dance instructor Leslie Baumberger, who has made a difference in the lives of hundreds of local young people, emphasizing that "Dance Training is Life Training" teaching personal and community responsibility. After 45 years of influencing and inspiring dancers, she will retire from teaching and directing at the end of this dance season. Baumberger and her dancers have been invited for the fifth time to travel to Europe in the summer of 2019 to perform with other pre-professional dancers for 12 days, touring Hungary, Austria, Italy and Germany.

Show times are March 23 at 7 p.m and March 24 at 2 p.m. at the Spanos Theatre. Tickets can be purchased at [calpolyarts.org](http://calpolyarts.org) or by calling 756-4TIX

*Send your event listing at least two weeks in advance to [Editor@EsteroBayNews.com](mailto:Editor@EsteroBayNews.com). Make sure to include the who, what, why, where and when of the event and contact information. Please, type out in paragraph form rather than attaching flyers.*

## Social Club Event Canceled

The first gathering for the Morro Bay Social Club set for March 30 on the Embarcadero has been canceled.

According to Isaac Horton, one of the Social Club's organizers, they were unable to get City permission in time to put the event on and so had to cancel it.

As we reported in the Feb. 28-March 14 issue, Horton and Morgan Wise, who both grew up in Morro Bay, are trying to launch the "Morro Bay Social Club," a membership based, non-profit they hoped would provide networking opportunities for local business people and fun gatherings for members.

Their first social gathering was to be on March 30.

Horton and Wise had hoped the Social Club would help break the stranglehold that social media has on the social lives of people today.



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# Gravestone for SLO’s First Librarian

The Foundation for San Luis Obispo County Public Libraries has announced a GoFundMe campaign to purchase a gravestone for the City of San Luis Obispo’s first librarian, Frances Margaret Milne, who currently lies in an unmarked grave at the San Luis Cemetery. The campaign is part of the many events and programs commemorating the SLO County Library’s Centennial this year.

“Milne made a name for herself in this community as the city librarian and in the literary world, as a poet and writer,” said Library Adult Services Coordinator, Sharon Coronado. “We don’t know why she doesn’t have a headstone. What we do know is that librarians help communities in myriad ways that don’t always include books or library resources. Part of our job is to preserve the past for future generations. We are fundraising for Milne’s gravestone in order to contribute to preserving her legacy.”

The goal for the campaign is to raise \$1,500 for the gravestone, installation, and flowers for a dedication ceremony to honor Milne. If the campaign is successful, the ceremony may be in April, the anniversary of her death, or in June, around the time of Milne’s birthday.

About Frances Margaret Milne:  
Frances Margaret Milne was born in County Tyrone, Ireland, on June 30, 1846 and emigrated to Pennsylvania after a 34-day voyage, arriving on August 15, 1849. Milne became the City of San Luis Obispo’s first librarian. She held that office for 11 years. She was also a nationally recognized poet, with much of her work published in San Francisco. Milne’s poetry is still printed today, most notably her book titled “For To-Day.”

According to Milne’s obituary in the SLO Daily Telegram: “Everyone in San Luis Obispo admired and respected Mrs. Milne, who was ever affable and kindly to all alike, irrespective of their stations in life, and her demise will be a loss to the entire community and one that will be felt in the literary world.”

Milne took care of her library, her community, her mother who possibly suffered dementia, and her husband who died of paralysis. She had no children. She is buried next to her mother and husband, who both have beautiful and thoughtful grave stones, presumably coordinated by Milne. Milne lies in an unmarked grave, according to a library press release.

The Library Foundation’s GoFundMe page is at: <https://www.gofundme.com/slo039s-first-librarian-lies-in-an-unmarked-grave>

# Morro Bay Open Space Grant Challenge

The Morro Bay Open Space Alliance (MBOSA) has received a matching grant challenge from Castle Wind LLC worth up to \$20,000 toward the organization’s goal of preserving Eagle Rock (aka Cerrito Peak) as a permanent open space conservancy. MBOSA must earn the \$20,000 by getting matching contributions, with gifts by June 30, 2019 to be eligible for the grant.

Eagle Rock, a 24 million-year-old volcanic dome that has been part of human habitat for at least 8,000 years, has been surprisingly vulnerable to development. MBOSA entered into an agreement with the City of Morro Bay to place the parcel into permanent open space if the organization can raise sufficient funds.

“Castle Wind shares the values of conservation and environmental stewardship with us,” said MBOSA Board Chair Glenn Silloway. “They have been generous with our town in many ways, and we are certainly grateful for this challenge. Now we need to earn it.”

Castle Wind LLC is a wind energy company based in San Francisco. It is in the planning stages of a large floating wind generator array off the coast of Morro Bay with the eventual potential of producing two gigawatts of power per year. This sustainably-produced power would be brought onshore through the mothballed natural gas power plant on the Morro Bay Embarcadero and fed into the grid at that point.

MBOSA’s mission is to enhance the quality of life of current and future residents and visitors through the conservation of open space in and around Morro Bay. It works to engage the community actively to support land conservation for appropriate human uses, habitat preservation, viewshed protection and education.

For more information about MBOSA, go to [www.mbopenspace.org](http://www.mbopenspace.org).

## Another way to help

There will be a parking lot party to raise awareness to save Eagle Rock with Morro Bay Open Space Alliance on St Patrick’s Day Sunday, March 17 from 12 - 6 p.m. at Three Stacks and a Rock Brewery - 3118 Main St. Morro Bay.

Three Stacks and a Rock has brewed a Special Eagle Rock Pale Ale. During the party \$2 of every pint will be donated to MBOSA and \$1 thereafter as long as the beer is on tap. Live music takes place from 1 - 4 p.m. with three live bands: Over Tow, Samba Loca and Lyle Fuller Band. Other activities include Corn Hole, Giant Jenga, Giant Connect Four, raffle and Irish food specials.

Since the parking lot will be closed folks are encourage to walk, ride your bike or take UBER,

# M.B. Council to Hold Earlier Meetings

In an effort to encourage more community attendance, Morro Bay City Council meetings will start a half hour earlier.  
As of March 12, regular meetings will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the Veteran’s Memorial Building, 209 Surf Street, and end no later than 10:30 p.m. without Council action to extend the meeting time.

Regular Council meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, with the exception of July, November and December where Council meets on the second Tuesday only.

The Council adopted the change earlier in 2019. Previously, Council meetings began at 6 p.m. and could run through 11 p.m. Closed session and special session Council meetings can still be set on any day and time.

**Hourglass** From page 3  
members and residents by working together, and the Hourglass Project creates a region-wide platform to make that collaboration happen.”

Gina Fitzpatrick, Hourglass Board member and immediate past chair of the Central Coast Coalition of Chambers, added, “With Melissa at the helm, we are confident we will all succeed together.”

The Hourglass Project was formally launched in November 2018 with the support of a broad-based coalition of regional business and civic leaders determined to unify the Central Coast Super Region to forge a stronger, more resilient regional economy. The Super Region includes nearly half a million residents, 10 cities, 2 counties and dozens of community service districts, stretching from Vandenberg Air Force Base in northern Santa Barbara County, through San Luis Obispo County to Camp Roberts in southern Monterey County.

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ing — much to his chagrin — that he’s been on the losing end of 4-1 votes as the project moves onward.

Addis continues to be supportive of the project, which is scheduled to go to the Coastal Commission for permitting in April, and Heller has resigned himself to being a watchdog to make sure the town gets the best project possible.

The two also differ on their approaches to the job with Addis taking on a proactive role bringing forth issues she’s championed as an activist on social justice issues and environmental protections, while Heller has focused his efforts on addressing the many citizens who contact him with more personal issues with the City bureaucracy.

Heller points out that so far he’s only attended four council meetings and four closed sessions, plus “multiple other meetings,” he laughs while sitting in the Rock Espresso Bar on Morro Bay Boulevard.

“It’s extraordinarily challenging in many ways,” Heller said of being in office. I’m really enjoying it.” He is impressed by the citizens he’s met and the many community groups working to make life better in Morro Bay.

A recent 3-day retreat he attended in Irvine, put on by the League of California Cities and geared towards newly elected City officials was a real eye-opener. “It was fantastic,” he said, pointing to the extent that what’s happening on the national level in politics trickling down to the local level, for instance the number of women who were elected in 2018. “There were lots of newly elected women and Hispanics and they all seem a lot younger, in their early 20s and 30s. It was not what I expected but it was great meeting these people and hearing their stories.”

He attended the conference with Addis, Mayor John Headling and City Manager Scott Collins. “It really was a great experience,” he said.

“All in all,” he said, “it’s been a real eye-opener. It’s a tremendous responsibility. When I go to a meeting, I’m prepared. I read everything. It was kind of stressful at the beginning because there is so much to learn.”

So is the job consuming his life? “Pretty much,” he laughed. “But it’s my choice. I’m optimistic right now. I’m all in and have devoted my life to it.” Being retired helps, he admits.

“I set up an office in my garage, with a desk and a heater, but I’d rather meet people in coffee shops. I like to meet people where they are.” He responds to every email and phone call he gets, Heller explained and makes contact with people. It’s a mixed bag.

“Some of them are very positive,” he said. “Some are very negative but regardless, I respond and meet with them to hear their concerns.”

A few weeks ago, Addis publicly announced getting highly critical, even borderline threatening emails from a local man upset with the sewer project, and most of the other council members said they’d too gotten such emails

and been targets on social media, but not Heller.

“I’m not getting the flack as the others,” he said. He’s shocked by the vitriol the Council has gotten especially on social media. “I was very surprised by that,” he said. But, he added, it doesn’t take a lot of people posting things to make it look worse than it is. “It’s a sad state of affairs that that’s the way it is, even in our little town.”

On a local level, city councils don’t “legislate” the way they do in Sacramento or Washington D.C. “The city council is supposed to get goals and policies,” Heller said, “and staff gets it done. I think everyone on the Council feels that way. But today, just setting goals and policies is not enough.”

He’s working hard to establish respectful and happy relationships with his fellow council members, “But I’m still opposed to the sewer.”

The best thing so far has been meeting so many people that are doing positive and good things for this city, he said. “The volunteers are amazing.”

The worst thing has been the criticism on social media. “I wasn’t really expecting it,” he said. “It concerns me too, I’m sitting up there with them. I ask myself, ‘Am I a target too? I’m an elected official.’”

The amount of preparation was a surprise for him. The council gets the agenda packets on Thursdays like everyone else, he said, which means his weekends are pretty much shot studying the agenda. It doesn’t help that he is relatively new to town and doesn’t know a lot of the history behind issues. He’s learning that a lot of business people are unhappy.

“A lot of business people don’t feel the City is friendly towards them,” he said. One issue is the City’s fee schedule. “I’d like to reduce the fees to businesses,” said Heller, acknowledging that the City’s finances are tight.

He likes something the Mayor said recently, that the City has numerous studies and plans and it’s “time to get stuff done.”

Getting stuff done appears to be Addis’ motto as well, as the activist with SLO Women’s March has hit the ground running and put forth Resolutions addressing some of her campaign issues.

Her first legislative “victory” was to come up March 12. Addis wanted to remind residents that starting March 12, City Council meetings would start at 5:30 p.m. instead of 6. She asked for the change because the meetings “go really late and it’s hard for the public to stick with them.” She said the change was a part of one of her campaign goals to get more people to participate.

“That’s my first legislative victory,” she said in a phone interview. “It’s small but important for me to hit the job running, to contribute from the get-go.”

She’s got several early wins under her belt, including getting the Council to consider a Resolution opposing a project to run new oil pipelines through Santa Barbara

County to a Nipomo refinery, and restart oil production from platforms in the Santa Barbara Channel. That Resolution was to be considered March 12, she said.

“I feel positive with my beginning time on City Council,” she said. Having public support for the anti-oil stance was great but, “I felt I had phenomenal support from the Council, which really meant a lot to me.”

She’s also coming out strong in support of the police department again having a school resource officer, which ended when the school district cut its funding for the position. She said they are expecting an agreement with the school district to have them again fund the position and she was able to persuade the Council to fund equipment and other items.

“It’s exciting,” she said, referring to the melding of her activism with her Council role. “I think one of the benefits of being an activist to council is being able to get things done.” She’s been working with government through the Women’s March and “The legislative side is where the lasting things happen.”

She plans to focus attention on the City’s Housing Element of the General Plan to try and get more affordable housing support both in Morro Bay and regionally.

“There’s a huge need for affordable housing for seniors and young families,” Addis said. She’d like to change how the Council looks at issues like housing and labor including pushing for the contractors who will build the sewer project hiring local workers.

The best things about her time on Council so far include getting things done and thinking about what is helpful for the people in Morro Bay, and public comments, especially presentations that have been made to council.

“There are so many interesting things going on,” she said. She pointed out a presentation about the Bird Festival at her first meeting when Pacific Wildlife Care brought in one of their bird ambassadors. Also, the recent presentation of a \$7,000 donation to the fire department by the parents of the late-Matthew Frank — a.k.a. SLO Stringer — to fund scholarships for firefighters.

“The breadth of the people we have here in Morro Bay and the goodwill is impressive,” she said.

The worst part of the job so far is trying to deal with the low trust in government that many people have, and having that distrust sometimes directed at her.

“It is a little disheartening but not insurmountable,” she said. “It’s up to us as public officials to be the kind of people that the people can trust.”

As to the hurtful criticisms on social media, she said the emails and posts on her Facebook Page have stopped. “It’s always risky to speak out,” she said, “because you never know how it’s going to turn out. But I don’t think it’s riskier than not speaking out.”

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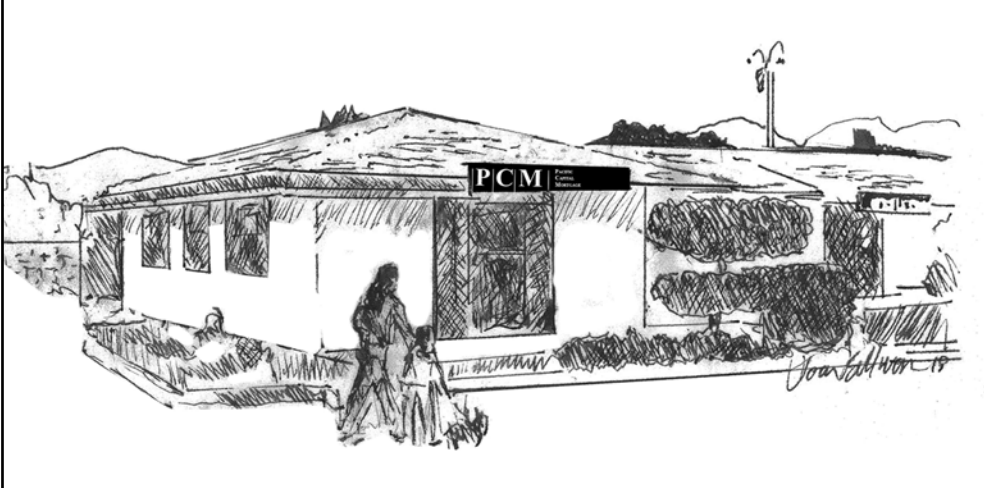
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A young woman with long brown hair, wearing a black and green racing suit, stands next to a green and black go-kart. The go-kart has the number '60' on its side and features flame graphics. The scene is set in a garage with various tools and equipment visible in the background.

**A**t just 13, Tailer Morrison isn't old enough to have a driver's license, nonetheless she is tearing up the tracks in a racecar.

Her interest in driving racecars dates back to when she attended a monster truck show at the age of nine and saw the mini-dwarf cars during their half time show.

"I saw them, and a couple of days later, I told my parents that's what I wanted to do," said the Los Osos Middle School student. A few months later she entered her first race in a mini-dwarf car at the Santa Maria Speedway.

Fast forward to 2018, and Tailor was driving a 500cc QRC Outlaw kart that looks as if it is wrapped in a cage with wings on top and travels at about 30 to 50 mph on a small, oval track. She also gets behind the wheel of a 1000cc dwarf car that hits between 55 to 65 mph on a bigger track. Both racecars are black and green and emblazoned with #60.

Today, she races against all adults, mostly men.

Tailer flipped the Outlaw kart on its side once and has spun out a few other times in the dwarf car, getting hit once, and has been involved in a few pileups but so far has been

“A lot of bruises, but no injuries” she said with a laugh.

So, what is it like going wheel-to-wheel? Pre-race Tailer gets nervous. By the end of it, she is exhausted after doing 20 to 25 laps, depending on the car.

For those not in the know, the interior of the car or kart is pretty tight, space wise, to begin with, but put in a driver with a padded fireproof suit, a helmet, gloves, boots, arm restraints and a harness, and it could get claustrophobic. Once the flag is dropped, the noise of the engine and the rush of the race are all consuming.

Although Tailer is concentrating on the Outlaw kart this year, she is still racing the dwarf car to get more experience. Her ultimate goal is competing in the World of Outlaws Sprint Car Series where cars can achieve speeds in excess of 160 mph.

Although Tailer said her parents, Regina and Miles Morrison, who own Drain Busters Plumbing in Los Osos, are her biggest supporters, her mechanic, Josh Fryckman, and her driving coach, Jonathon Henry, are an integral part of her team.

"I'm excited, and I hope it does happen for her, but scared as a parent with my baby girl out there," said Regina. "I'm excited to see where she goes with it."

"It's exciting and scary — everything at once," he said. "It was fun, but now it is getting scary because the cars are getting faster, and it is adults. Sometimes it is hard to watch, but it's fun. Until she wants to stop, we are full in."

Folks who donate \$150 or more can become a sponsor and get a logo on Tailer's kart with a business mention on her Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/TailerMorrison](http://www.facebook.com/TailerMorrison). Current sponsors include Linson Signs, Drain Busters Plumbing, Inc., Lambright Electric, Paul Metchik, attorney at law, Covelp-Collaborative Designs and Rossi Property Management. To make a donation of any amount, call Drain Busters Plumbing at 805-528-2564.



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# Police Blotter



- **Feb. 24:** Police caught up to a car parked in the 700 block of Quintana with tags expired over 6 months, and arrested the apparent F.O.R.D.
- **Feb. 21:** Child Welfare Services notified MBPD “regarding concerning statements by PG” apparently about suspected child abuse at Del Mar Elementary.
- **Feb. 22:** Police responded at 4 p.m. to the 1300 block

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of Prescott Dr., for a stolen car report. Logs indicated the vehicle was unlocked and the keys were hidden in an apparently not-so secret, hidden compartment within the car, no doubt the case of a lucky thief or maybe an inside job.

- **Feb. 22:** Police responded at 7:15 a.m. to the 1200 block of Bolton Dr., where some scoundrel stole a bicycle out of a front yard and also stole loose change out of the glove boxes of two, apparently unlocked parked cars.
- **Feb. 22:** At 6:52 a.m., another citizen reported the theft of tools from his vehicle in the 400 block of Downing, as the night phantoms have apparently been busy.
- **Feb. 22:** Police and fire responded at 9:54 a.m. to Embarcadero and Pacific for a vehicle vs. skateboarder collision.
- **Feb. 21:** Some apparent harasstard has been making annoying and harassing phone calls to a tormented citizen in the 400 block of South Bay Blvd. Police sent a report to the district attorney for possible inaction.
- **Feb. 21:** Police responded at 10:52 a.m. to a restaurant in the 1200 block of Embarcadero where money was reportedly taken from a “locked safe,” a case of round up the usual suspects. And at 11:21, a citizen in the 900 block of Embarcadero reported a stolen credit card.
- **Feb. 21:** Police stopped a suspicious car at the suspect time of 12:31 a.m. at South Bay and Quintana, who no doubt couldn’t get out of town fast enough. The scofflaw driver, 38, was arrested for allegedly knowingly driving on a suspended license, a hanging offense in these parts.
- **Feb. 20:** Police contacted an apparently suspicious man, 48, at 10:18 p.m. at Main and Harbor. Logs said he had a warrant and was placed in irons.
- **Feb. 20:** Police contacted another suspicious zig-zag man, 43, at Monterey and Marina. Logs indicated he had a warrant and was allegedly in possession of drugs. He was cited and “released to Sierra Vista Hospital,” which was no doubt delighted to have him.
- **Feb. 19:** Someone turned in ammunition they were apparently aiming to get rid of.
- **Feb. 19:** Police got another report about possible child abuse, this time from the 100 block of Mindoro.
- **Feb. 19:** Police stopped a suspicious vehicle at 1 a.m. in the 500 block of Nassau. Logs indicated the driver, was arrested for suspicion of DUI, possession of methamphetamine, possession of burglary tools and felony probation violation. His female passenger was arrested for allegedly

being smacked on meth and possessing a crack pipe.

- **Feb. 18:** Police contacted a suspicious woman, 48, at 8 p.m. in the 300 block of Atascadero Rd. Logs indicated she hit the trifecta with three warrants and was booked into the County B&B.
- **Feb. 18:** Two cars went badda-bing badda-boom at 4:30 p.m. at Quintana and Main. No injuries reported.
- **Feb. 17:** Some unknown scalawag busted the window of a business in the 400 block of Morro Bay Blvd.
- **Feb. 17:** Police responded at 10:30 a.m. to a trespassing report in the 400 block of Morro. Logs indicated a citizen complained about some fellow trespassing on his property who was “intentionally causing damage to a sprinkler.” The victim wanted police to document the Morro Bay felony.
- **Feb. 15:** At 2:30 p.m. at Pacific and Morro, two cars occupied the same space at the same time and so police and fire were called to clean up the destruction. No word on injuries.
- **Feb. 14:** At Hwy 1 and Toro Creek Road at 2 p.m. police contacted a 59-year-old local yokel who had a warrant. Logs indicated the fellow apparently didn’t come along quietly as he was also charged with allegedly resisting arrest.
- **Feb. 13:** Police contacted another regular customer, 50, at 10:12 p.m. in the 1700 block of Main. He had three warrants and was allegedly in possession of drug paraphernalia, naturally, he also allegedly resisted arrest, no doubt not taking kindly to getting pinched.
- **Feb. 12:** The Danse of the Macabre continued at 10:12 p.m. in the 300 block of Quintana Pl., with the arrest of a wanted man, 26, with two warrants. At 10:45 p.m. in the 300 block of Surf, a 36-year-old fellow was popped on a warrant “related to drug use;” and at 11:18 in the 100 block of Harbor, a woman, 44, was snatched up on a bench warrant.
- **Feb. 12:** Police stopped a suspicious car at 9:15 p.m. in the 700 block of Harbor. The driver, 54, was arrested for suspicion of DUI and driving on a license suspended for DUI — a possible violation of the space-time continuum.
- **Feb. 11:** Police stopped a suspicious vehicle at 10:49 p.m. in the 700 block of Quintana. The woman driver, 44, was arrested for suspicion of driving stoned on drugs, with a suspended license, and possession of paraphernalia, her stash apparently already up in smoke.
- **Feb. 11:** Two cars collided at 4:25 p.m. at South Bay and State Park Road. No injuries were reported but traffic flow ceased, just like the ol’ Twin Bridges days.

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30th Spaghetti Dinner, March 15

The 30th Annual Dixon’s Spaghetti Dinner is set for 5-7:30 p.m. Friday, March 15 at the Morro Bay Community Center, 1001 Kennedy Way.

Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$7 for 12-under and available in advance at the City Recreation Services Office and at the Morro Bay Senior Center (both located inside the Community Center), or at the door.

The menu is spaghetti with homemade meatballs, salad, garlic bread, non-alcoholic drinks and dessert. Wine and beer also for sale (must be 21+).

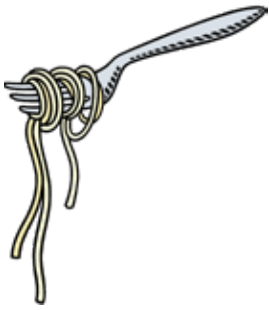
There will be raffles for great prizes, and a cupcake walk. Also, every child under 12 receives a free raffle ticket for a new bike donated by Bean’s Roofing of Los Osos.

The dinner is named in honor of the late Dixon Hafley, a former Morro Bay Recreation and Parks Commissioner, who was a major supporter of youth sports and recreation in the community.

Sponsored by the Community Foundation of Estero Bay, Inc., Morro Bay Senior Citizens Inc., Morro Bay Recreation & Parks Commission, and the City of Morro Bay Recreation Services.

Proceeds benefit the Community Foundation of Estero Bay, a non-profit group that raises monies to support scholarships for disadvantaged youth to participate in City recreation sports programs and other local youth programs.

For information call Recreation Services at 772-6278.



Born in the USA at Art Center Morro Bay

Art Center Morro Bay will present a compelling exhibit called “Born in the USA” from May 16 through June 24 from 12 p.m. – 4 p.m. at 835 Main St, Morro Bay. Admission is free.

Immigration has been a touchstone of the U.S. political debate for decades. Even as most Americans celebrate their heritage and identity as a “nation of immigrants,” there seems to be a deep ambivalence about future immigration. Despite the complex issues surrounding the struggle of asylum, assimilation and deportation, increasing numbers of people continue to risk emotional and physical heart-break for the opportunity to live a safer and better life by migrating to America. In some cases, the human toll mounts as men, women and children quietly disappear from the desert landscape in pursuit of the American Dream.

Whether we are direct descendants of an immigrant or an immigrant ourselves, in the current climate, socially and politically, this subject is more relevant than ever.

Artists were invited to illustrate their personal concepts of the human struggle by confronting issues of immigration, or celebrate our great country’s vast ethnic and cultural diversity with art. This exhibit may depict scenes that some viewers find disturbing and not suitable for children.

The art of Barry Lundgren will be featured during this event. Barry has been woodturning for more than twenty years. Although he has taken workshops from other respected and admired wood turners, Barry considers himself to be self-taught. His inspiration is derived from the wood, itself. The shape of each piece is as important as the type of wood he finds. Every piece different in color, texture, scent and character. Barry states, “Some pieces are turned green and I find it fascinating how they warp and distort into finished pieces.”

Barry rough-turns lidded boxes, threaded urns, and salad bowls, then allows them to dry and stabilize. Art-works are remounted and turned to finish their shape then



Depression Era Anxiety  
courtesy of Barbara Kosanke


left to dry, staying symmetrical. “Whether they are the classical shapes from the past or the natural-edge pieces that warp into their own shape, my goal is to make them all pleasing to the eye and touch.”

Born in the USA is on display from May 16 through June 24, 2019. Meet the artists at the opening reception Sunday, May 19 from 2 p.m.–4 p.m. For more information call 805-772-2504 or email artcenter.morrobay@gmail.com or go to www.artcentermorrobay.org.




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# By The Sea Reader's Production

By The Sea Productions presents “Consequential Conversations”, its first Readers’ Theatre production of 2019, opening March 22. The show consists of eight short plays ranging from 5 to 25 minutes in length.

The plays include the musings of a former child star, now a waitress; divorcees who meet again; several couples whose conversations overlap in a train station; the frustrations of 1-800 calls; an older woman and her nephew discussing end of life decisions; a woman and her gay son on his wedding day; an elderly couple reminiscing; and monks interviewing a novice about the meaning of life. The conversations range from funny to serious to poignant, and all are consequential.

Do take time out of your busy schedule to enjoy Los Osos Library display of La Loma Adobe. Sponsored by Friends of La Loma (FLLA), this is the first opportunity Friends has had to share its history and collections with the community.

The extraordinary exhibit was set up by board members of Friends: local artist, Jan French and Textile Historian, Nancy Hillenburg. The display took several days of organizing before it was available for viewing.

The artifacts were assembled a day before setting up in order to track down the history or them. Nancy shared her experience. “We spent an afternoon looking at the shelves and the next day I spent quite a bit of time researching all those pieces of tile that were given to us by (Friends Secretary) Norma Frey, trying to figure out what they were. It’s pottery the families might have used.”

Then Jan and Nancy spent time making tags for the artifacts that had been identified, that were found on the property: a horseshoe, a hat, bicycle part, and many other items of interest.

Jan shared her thoughts about the display.

“I’m passionate about saving what little tangible evidence that remains of how people lived in the past. The eras represented by La Loma Adobe in the Library display were some of the most pivotal in our Nation’s history, and the people who called this Adobe home were quite influential locally. The library display outlines the people who lived here, and shows scraps and pieces of some of the things they used every day. I hope that this display inspires those who see it to appreciate how rare and precious La

“As we considered plays for this year, we found a number of interesting one-acts, several with similar themes, and decided they would make an enjoyable program,” said Janice Peters, BTSP board member. “We also have new people interested in directing for us, and this offers them an opportunity, so we have six directors working on the show.”

“Consequential Conversations” plays for two weekends, March 22-24 and 29-31, at 545 Shasta Ave., Morro Bay. Friday and Saturday performances begin at 7 p.m. Sunday Matinees start at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$10. For ticket reservations, visit bytheseaproductions.org or call 805-776-3287.



Loma Adobe is, and encouraged them to watch for the next Open House visiting opportunity.

La Loma Adobe is located at 1590 Lizzie Street, San Luis Obispo. Visit the location and take a enjoy the kiosk that gives a history of the ranch.



Nancy Hillenburg getting ready to set up La Loma Adobe display at Los Osos Library  
Photo by Joan Sullivan

# In Memory

When Gary Holdstock took a half day from work on Friday, February 22nd to do what he truly loved and play a round of golf with his son, we never thought it would be his last round of golf.

We often say that the hour of death cannot be forecast. When we say this, we imagine that this hour would be in the distant future. However, for Gary, sadly it was not.



Gary Holdstock was a great part of many people’s life. He was a father, husband, and all-around true heart person. He loved so many things in life. He especially loved his son, Garrett, his loving wife Chris, golf, his corvette, getting those dollar fries from Sylvester’s and that often overlooked pink sprinkled donut.

Gary was always there to offer a skilled helping hand and loved to help where he could. It was that drive to help that brought Gary into our family in 1985. Gary and Ron Robertson were working together at Home Motors when they struck up a friendship. They then cemented that friendship with each brick that they placed while building Los Osos Auto Body. Upon completion of the shop, Gary made Los Osos Auto Body his home away from home. On any given weekday you could find Gary riding around on the Segway getting lunch or just going to the lot. The one thing that was rarely absent was his smile. He was always happy to see everyone.

With the loss of Gary Holdstock our family circle has been broken and a link has gone from our chain.

In Gary’s memory we ask that you take a moment to brag about your wife’s amazing cooking, brag about how your son kicked your butt golfing, enjoy that sprinkle donut, take some time off to play that round of golf, lend that helping hand, and most of all tell everyone how much they are appreciated.

*In loving memory of Gary Holdstock from the Robertsons and Los Osos Auto Body.*

# March Mind Walks

The Central Coast State Parks Association’s 2019, “Mind Walk” Lecture Series, now in its 25th year, offers lectures on topics of interest, including cultural history, natural history, and current issues. All presentations are at 10:15 a.m. Mondays during the winter months. The lectures are at the Inn at Morro Bay,

60 State Park Rd., Morro Bay. Admission is free for State Parks Association members and State Park docents, and \$3 for non-members.

## March 18 The Dunite Colony in Oceano in the 1930's and 1940's Jim Avila

The Dunites were society dropouts living in the Oceano dunes in the 1930’s and 40’s. State park docent Jim Avila will describe their life in the dunes. Hear some stories and learn how mysticism was a part of their experiences.

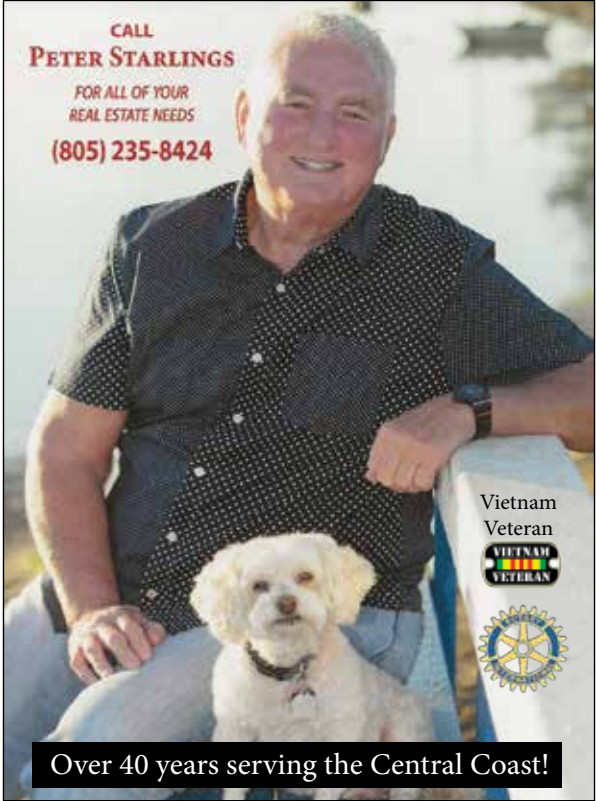
Avila is a retired environmental analyst for CalTrans and a geographer who taught introductory geography courses at Sacramento City College and American River College as adjunct faculty. He has been leading hikes into the dunes for State Parks since 2004 and for the Dunes Center since 2008.

## March 25 The History of Commercial Fishing in Morro Bay Steve Hendricks

Steve Hendricks grew up in San Luis Obispo and started ocean fishing out of Avila when he was five. Learn about the history of fishing in Morro Bay dating back to the Native American Tribes and the current status of commercial fishing in Morro Bay, including the many methods used to capture seafood off our coast.


Hendricks earned his bachelors from Humboldt State

University and his masters from Oregon State University in Fisheries and Wildlife. He worked for twelve years as a fisheries biologist in California, Oregon, Idaho, and Alaska and currently teaches at Cuesta College.



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# Los Osos Students Awarded



Students at Los Osos Middle School received awards from the Bay Osos Kiwanis Club in recognition of trustworthiness, responsibility or citizenship. For their commitment the students received gift certificates to local restaurants.

The presentation took place at Jimmy Bump’s Pasta House. Pictured are Steve Auslander the director of youth services, Wyatt Bath, Archer Hill, Macy Mauch, Krupa Patel and Ruby Bariel. (not pictured is Alfredo Castillo). Photo submitted

# Leprechaun Crawl, March 15

St. Patrick’s Day is March 17, but Morro Bay’s 2nd Annual Leprechaun Crawl is set for 6-9 p.m. Friday, March 15 at food and drink establishments in Morro Bay.

Local pubs, bars and restaurants will have samples of IPAs, regional wines and small batch craft whiskeys, to wash down yummy appetizers at each stop of the crawl.

Tickets include all tastings and food. Must be over 21. Dress like an Irish Leprechaun and enter the costume contest to win glorious prizes.

Advanced tickets for the Leprechaun Crawl are \$20 or \$25 at the door. Advanced tickets are available on Eventbrite.com.

Participating imbibers can enter a contest for \$1,000 in prizes by visiting every participating stop on the crawl and filling out a contest “Passport” to be entered in the contest.

Designated drivers can play the contest for free. See: morrobaypubcrawls.com for details and a list of participating establishments.

If you’re coming from out of town or a local resident who doesn’t want to risk making the Police Logs, book a motel room at: morrobay.bookdirect.net.

On Saturday morning, local restaurants are participating in a “Walk of Shame” breakfast promotion, too.

The Leprechaun Crawl is sponsored by California Wine Marketing, Friends of the Morro Bay Harbor Department, and the City of Morro Bay Tourism Department, motto — “Put Life on Coast.”

The Friends will use the proceeds for projects on the Morro Bay Waterfront. Past projects include replacing the floats at the sea lion dock out in the bay, and providing beach wheelchairs so handicapped folks can enjoy the beach too, among others. See: www.friendsofthemhd.org for more information.



# History Revisited



In approximately 1938 the Army Corp of Engineers blew up about one fifth of Morro Rock to create the breaker for Morro Bay harbor and Avila’s breakers.

Seen here is how the water used to entry the bay making it one of the most dangerous harbors to enter.

Photo: Sullivan Studios collection

# Junior Lifeguard Signups Start March 25

Registration for the Morro Bay Junior Lifeguard summer program will begin soon, and if you want your boy or girl to learn about the ocean environment, don’t delay, as the signups are first-come first-served.

Signups start Monday, March 25 at the Recreation Services Department, located on the second floor at the Morro Bay Community Center.

The Junior Waterman program runs June 10-21 for kids 12-older and intended for kids who want a challenge or a looking to become a beach lifeguard or J.G. instructor.

Two, regular, Junior Lifeguard sessions are planned — June 24-July 12 and July 22-Aug. 9.

Pool assessment dates and pool program dates will be announced soon. For more information, contact Karen Sweeney at (805) 772-6281 or email: ksweeny@morrobay-ca.gov.

Scholarships for Junior Lifeguards are available for those who qualify through the Community Foundation of Estero Bay.



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information.

“If I had a magic wand, we would be removing the ones that are not compliant,” said Nash-Karner, who owns a sailboat, a canoe and several kayaks. “It is a touchy issue because it is private property. The owner could require everyone to take their boats away.”

For watercraft with lapsed registration, Celebrate Los Osos works with the property owner and the sheriff’s department in attempts to contact the vessel’s owner. Often the boat has changed hands multiple times, and the person it is registered to is long gone.

The oldest registration tag Nash-Karner can remember finding dated back to 1977.

Boats that are broken beyond repair will be removed. Nash-Karner said that often people use the inlet as a dumping ground for boats in this condition.

“It is really disappointing because we are really very privileged to be able to use it because it is private property, and we shouldn’t trash it.”

Celebrate Los Osos volunteers will inspect every single boat parked at the inlet. Canoes and kayaks that are stored with the hull bottom-side down will also be flipped over to prevent water collection, which leads to an increase in the mosquito population.

Boat information gathering efforts are more than a way to keep the inlet from becoming a clogged dumpsite — vessels that float away in higher tides can be returned to the owners. When a boat is left below the high-tide level, and a 6-foot tide carries the boat to Shark’s Inlet or Morro Bay, the rescuer knows whom to call. Locals using their own kayaks are often seen towing a vessel-gone-astray back into the inlet.

“I’ve pulled multiple hulls and kayaks back from over on the dunes,” said Nash-Karner. “There is a guy with a white kayak over here who goes out all the time and



drags kayaks back. If they end up in Morro Bay, they get thrown away or given away unless there is a phone number on it.”

It is recommended that people secure their boats somehow to prevent floating away, theft or pranks.

Celebrate Los Osos hopes to one-day make the Cuesta Inlet a County park.

“The County has said that they would love to have it as a park,” she said. “We are working on, hopefully, a long-term plan that will make that eventually happen. Then we could regulate.”

People who want to volunteer for the Cuesta Inlet cleanup can contact Ellie Malykont at: MEPPS@Charter.net. Celebrate Los Osos is a non-profit corporation, dedicated to making a difference, one project at a time, with highly visible projects, engaging volunteers who want to get their hands dirty “doing good work” for the benefit of Los Osos. For general information, contact Info@CelebrateLosOsos.org.



# Fire Reserves Given Scholarships



PHOTO MBFD reserves got scholarships  
Photo courtesy City of Morro Bay

Several Morro Bay reserve firefighters were awarded scholarships at the Feb. 26 Morro Bay City Council meeting.

Retired Morro Bay and Santa Maria Fire Chief, Jeff Jones, presented the checks for \$750 each on the behalf of the Friends of Morro Bay Fire to each reservist. Money for the scholarships was donated by the parents of Matthew Frank, a.k.a. SLO Stringer.

The money is intended to further their educations in the fire service. Many use such scholarships for paramedic training at Cuesta Collaage or to attend the Fire Academy at Hancock College of Santa Maria, both of which will help them find jobs in the fire service, whether in Morro Bay or elsewhere.

The Friends of Morro Bay Fire was formed in 2004 with the purpose of raising awareness in town about the sorry state of the Fire Department’s stationhouse, which was closed and condemned after being damaged in the December 2003 San Simeon Earthquake.

The Friends group was also instrumental in passage of Measure D, a half-cent sales tax that has produced millions of tax dollars in support of the police and fire departments, street and storm drainage repairs in town.

Through their efforts, the Friends were able to prompt the City to build a new fire station (opened in 2014) and have since been active in bringing fire department issues to the community’s attention and raising money to purchase new firefighting equipment and to support the continuing educations of its crew members.

The department currently has several openings for reservists. Go the station house during regular business hours to find out more.

In the photo at far left are retired former MBFD and Santa Maria FD Chief Jeff Jones and Friends member Carla Wixom; and the four scholarship winners from left are: Grant Frenter, Drew Breham, Greg Whelen, and Joel Wilkie.

## Market from page11

work. They’ll be remodeling the interior with new floors, new coolers, and a meat case, changing nearly everything.

One thing they won’t change though is the offerings. He says they will continue to be a grocery store with a meat counter, but adding a delicatessen. They will bring in a new produce display case and stock it with organic fruits and veggies and local produce, too.

As to whether they’ll have a butcher shop, as the old Super Market had in the past, remains to be decided. Tanous says, “We want to fix the meat equipment. We’ll fix it up first and then see how it’s gonna go. I’ve already ordered a new fridge.”

He says the store was in really rough shape, mainly due to just being old. The cash register system, as an example, he says was 17-years old. The freezer is over 40-years old. Inside the office are a 1950s-era adding machine, a Pitney-Bowles photocopier out of the ‘70s and an old-fash-

ioned push button cash register that really belongs in a museum.

Those along with old black and white snapshots from the Super Market’s early days add to the charm and character of the store. Indeed, when one walks in the glass front doors, it’s a bit like stepping back in time, as the two checker stands face the doors with several aisles stocked with the basic staples one might expect in a funky old beach town.

One aisle features a nice selection of fine wines and the new coolers will be stocked with sodas, dairy and of course beers.

And while they have a lot of work to do, they will do it step-by-step he explains, that way they don’t have to close for an extended period of time. The plan is to open up the store for more grocery aisles.

The Cayucos Super Market hit a rough patch in December 2017 when the County Health Department shut

it down due to a mouse and rat infestation. The County wanted the building fumigated and scrubbed clean, and any contaminated food had to be thrown out. The exterior of the building had to be buttoned up to prevent any new infestations.

It was the only time in the store’s long history that anything like that had happened and once they got the place cleaned — after a few weeks of work — the County gave them a clean bill of health and they were able to reopen.

The market was listed for sale soon after that ordeal, which had some in the community worried that they would be losing their only grocery store. But Tanous and his partner would seem to have come to the little market’s rescue.

“I’m very excited,” he says. “The whole town has come to the store and said they are happy we are keeping it a market. So, yeah, I’m so happy.”



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# Cayucos Sea Glass Festival

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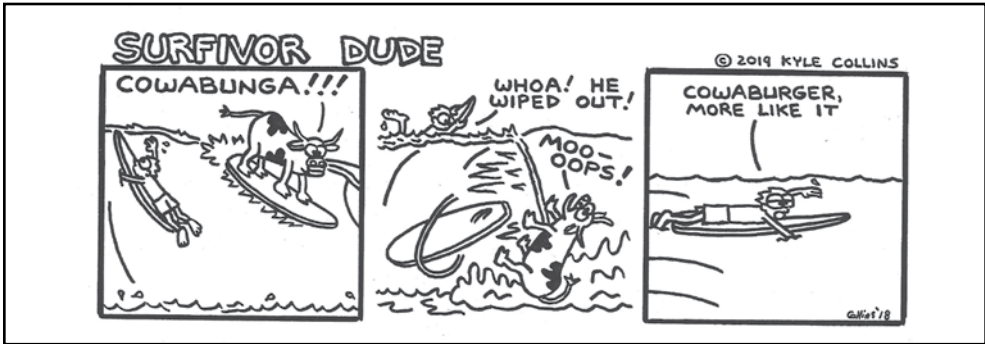
The annual Cayucos Sea Glass Festival brought in folks from all over for a weekend of local art, jewelry, food, and music.

## Ashes To Go



People strapped for time on Ash Wednesday were offered ashes on the go outside St. Benedict's Abundance Thrift Shop on 9th Street in Los Osos.

Photo by Dean Sullivan



## Women from page1

vices Program Review Specialist for the SLO County Social Services Department, manages the administration for Homeless Services Oversight Council, and is a district committee membership chair for Boy Scouts of America.

### DJ Pittenger – Susan Dressler Educational Leadership

As a local educator and agent of change, DJ Pittenger has contributed to San Luis Obispo County for over three decades. Dedicating her life to vulnerable students and their families, she has built programs such as the AUSD Lighthouse Drug and Alcohol Program and the Coastal Valley Academy, a

rehabilitation program for incarcerated youth. Pittenger inspires students and colleagues, offering a safe place and mentorship to anyone who might need it. Pittenger has taught at all levels, served as the Alternative Education Principal in Atascadero, and is currently the Assistant Superintendent at San Luis Obispo County Office of Education.

### Eve Vigil – Grace N. Mitchell Lifetime Achievement

Described as a “garden fairy godmother” Eve Vigil has devoted much of her life to creating, preserving, and caring for the over 150-acre San Luis Obispo Botanical Garden. The garden features plants of the five Mediterranean climate zones in the

world and is visited by 250,000 people annually. Vigil founded the nonprofit Friends of San Luis Botanical Garden over 30 years ago and since 1991 has volunteered her time as the Garden Manager, a Board Member and Officer, Docent, and Supervisor. She has poured her heart, soul, and funds into the SLO Botanical Garden and without her the community would not have such a wonderful public garden.

### Janet Wallace – Progress for Women

Janet Wallace is an advocate for gender parity locally, nationally, and globally. Wallace is a partner at O’Leary Wallace LLP in San Luis Obispo and is committed to helping improve the workplace for women in the legal profession. She served as the Vice President of M.S. JD, a nonprofit dedicated to helping aspiring and early career women lawyers succeed nationally and globally through scholarships and mentorship. Wallace is also a sought-after writer and speaker on women’s parity in the legal profession. She participates in the “Gender Bias Against Women in Law” program and was a contributing author to a book on women’s success titled Her Story.

For more information on the Women of Distinction Awards event or the Community Foundation, please visit [www.cfsloco.org](http://www.cfsloco.org) or call (805) 543-2323. For more information about Cuesta College, please visit [www.cuesta.edu](http://www.cuesta.edu) or call (805) 546-3100.



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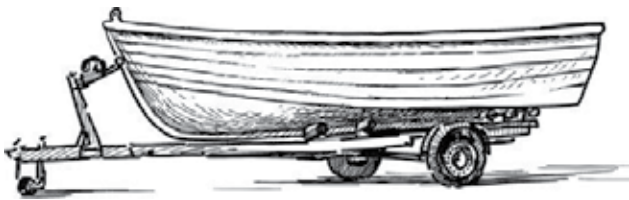
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