

CELEBRATING 24 YEARS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE

Grounds for Cheering! **District Attorney Dean Flippo is CRA's November 18 Speaker**



An early Thanksgiving treat awaits you at our November 18th Program. Monterey County District Attorney, Dean Flippo, will lead us on an exploration of "The Wacky World of Criminals." He is a speaker well known for his entertaining, dynamic and informative presentations guaranteed to keep you "on the edge of your seat."

If you are like most Peninsula residents, you are concerned about the increase of crime in most large cities and wonder if it is becoming more pervasive in smaller communities as well. Mr. Flippo will give us an update on the types of crimes appearing on the Peninsula, potential impact to our communities and

preventative measures that are in place. Raising our awareness and keeping us informed makes us safer.

As District Attorney of Monterey County, Mr. Flippo serves as the Chief Public Prosecutor whose responsibility it is to attend the courts and conduct all prosecutions on behalf of the People for public offenses defined under state law. As District Attorney, Mr. Flippo administers a staff of approximately 130 in four branches located throughout the County. He represents the People of the State of California in all criminal prosecutions in Monterey County. He is firmly committed to his objective to see that justice is done and that criminal laws are fully and fairly enforced.

He graduated from the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia; received a law degree from Wayne State University Law School and received his Juris Doctorate in 1966.

His law career began in 1967 in the United States Army where he served as a Chief Prosecutor, Post Judge Advocate, and Military Judge. He was the recipient of the Army Meritorius Service Medal. Later, he went on to serve as an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney in Flint, Michigan, where he headed a strike force against public corruption and organized

crime.

As if that wasn't enough, Mr. Flippo still managed to find time to be a college professor for 30 years. He continues to give back to the community by serving on many boards and committees. He has received state and national recognition for his achievements, especially for his efforts to help children. His speaking engagements are the talk of the town, garnishing praise and standing-roomonly crowds.

In 1991, Dean Flippo was elected District Attorney for the County of Monterey. In 2010, he was re-elected for an unprecedented sixth term. He is the longest serving District Attorney for the County of Monterey.

The meeting will be held at Vista Lobos at 4:45 where there is plenty of parking.



Thurs. November 18 4:45 p.m. Dean Flippo "The Wacky World of Criminals"

Vista Lobos

Editorial

▲ CHEERS to City Council member Jason Burnett for resurrecting informal town hall meetings and holding them ahead of monthly city council meetings, in turn giving residents and business people an opportunity to share dialog on important issues. The size of the audience at these events is clear evidence that the community has missed having them. Double cheers to Burnett for setting a more open tone and creating an air of inclusiveness.

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▲ CHEERS to the CRA Board of Directors for stepping up to the plate and sharing the workload to see that the CRA *News* continues to provide interesting, informative and vital information to benefit CRA members and the greater community at large. It takes a small army to carry on where Linda Anderson left off. Thanks for continuing the tradition!

▲ CHEERS to the Community Activities and Recreation Commission for the Sand Castle Contest and the Carmel Celebrates Community Committee for the City Birthday and Halloween Parade! And cheers to the always-helpful city staff member Cindi Lopez-Frincke who supports them. These Carmel traditions contribute to our village atmosphere and provide pleasurable entertainment for all ages at the right price!

▼ CHIDES to Mayor Sue McCloud for continually keeping secret her selected candidates for appointment to city boards and commissions until the moment the City Council is asked to ratify them. Her continuous use of "provided under separate cover" on agendas replaces information that, for the sake of transparency, should be in the council packet. Instead, just before voting, information is handed out to council members, putting them in the category of "rubber stampers." McCloud's method—contrary to previous mayors'—blocks council members and the public from knowing anything about the proposed candidates and prevents thoughtful inquiry into candidates' background and qualifications.

▲ CHEERS to Jason Burnett for requesting closed-session meetings to discuss the performance of City Administrator Rich Guillen. If not for Burnett, we wouldn't be having any discussion about the problems at City Hall. And, cheers to City Attorney Don Freeman for recognizing and correcting the City Council's laxness in conducting closed session meetings. In accordance with the Brown Act, the City Council now starts its meeting in open council chambers, allowing for public comment, before adjourning to deliberate matters in closed session. ▲ CHEERS to residents and community members who have shown up at City Council meetings to demonstrate their concerns and desire for change in the city administration at City Hall. More cheers to KION 46, KSBW 8, Monterey County Weekly and the Monterey Herald for attending the meetings to provide valuable news coverage on the council deliberations of City Administrator Rich Guillen's performance, and on the public outrage that no progress was being made in resolving the issue.

▼ CHIDES to the city for two eyesores at the Ocean Avenue entrance to Carmel Beach. First is the jagged, mangled cypress, which should have been left intact or taken completely out. Second is the unsightly and dangerous erosion on the dunes. A halfhearted attempt to replenish the sand, as required by the Local Coastal Plan, did not succeed.

▲ CHEERS to the Carmel-by-the-Sea Garden Club for heeding the comments from many residents that the Harrison Memorial Garden was not looking good. We appreciate their willingness to once again renovate and improve the gardens in front of our beloved library. We like what they have done!

▲ CHEERS to the City Council for acting on Barbara Livingston's visionary idea for opening up Devendorf Park. A path has been cut through the hedge into the Mission Street side and the camellias in the southwest corner of the park have been trimmed. It's a great start, but we think lots more thinning could be done.

▲ CHEERS to you for the good fortune to live in Carmel, whether by choice or chance! We defy anyone to say that living in this village is boring. There is more to do than time to do it. Local entertainment is readily available for all interests—from Bach Festival and Symphony to plays, dance and comedy—at Sunset Center, Pac Rep Theater, Carl Cherry Center or the outdoor Forest Theater. The Authors and Ideas Festival and the Carmel Art & Film Festival were recently held—both stimulating and entertaining. And don't forget the Carmel Foundation and its activities in addition to city happenings.

If you don't want to spend money on events, you can choose activities that are free of charge and that are good for your health, not to mention your spirits—a walk through town, in Mission Trail Nature Preserve, or on the beach. Or if you prefer, snag a front-row bench-seat along the beach bluff pathway and watch the continuous entertainment provided by diving birds, occasional frolicking dolphins, ball-chasing dogs, playful children, and wave-catching surfers. Cheers!



by Barbara Livingston



It's that time of year to give thanks for the abundance of our lives and to consider how many people in this affluent county of ours experience hunger and substandard living arrangements. It's that time of year to give thanks to those individuals and non-profits that provide warmth, nourishment and comfort to those in need. Sometimes it is individuals who work for no particular organization

who are motivated by the goodness of their hearts to offer assistance; other times it is non-profit organizations that step up to help. Charity begins at home – right here in Carmel-bythe-Sea with residents working their miracles. A little farther off in Salinas, a non-profit works to help people in these tough economic times.

Bitten Falge Farm Workers Program

CRA members Bob and Mary Condry are a part of the Bitten Falge Farm Workers Program, with Bob serving as leader. Bitten Falge was an inspiration to those who knew of her and her work. For eighteen years she drove to the Salinas Valley to deliver rice and beans in great quantities to farm worker families living at or below the poverty level. Following her death, Carmel Mission pastor Father John Griffen reorganized Bitten's efforts with the help of the Condrys and other parishioners. A program was designed whereby the small group would deliver beans and rice to needy families living in four work camps near Gonzales. The first deliveries of the reorganized group took place in February 2008 and have continued monthly ever since - now serving 150 families, not only rice and beans but also gently-used clothing, baby care items and housewares. Holiday time is greatly expanded to include children's gifts and other food items.

The Condrys welcome volunteers and donors of all faiths to work with them to meet this human need. Including donations from local groups such as The Yellow Brick Road, annual contributions measure over \$65,000. This sum permits the group to function more easily; but the cost of providing the rice and beans has grown exponentially.

To volunteer and/or donate funds please contact: Bob and Mary Condry, Box V, Carmel, CA. 93921. Donations are tax deductible.

The Food Bank of Monterey County

The Food Bank of Monterey County feeds an estimated 88,700 annually – that is one fifth of Monterey County's entire population! Every week the Food Bank serves approximately 10,800 people. Just 5 years ago the figures were 55,300 people served annually and 4,900 weekly. In five short years the numbers have grown beyond expectation.

The demographics are terrifying:

- 37% of all served are children under 18 years old
- · 12% are 5 years old and younger
- 4% are elderly
- · 42% include households with at least one employed adult
- · 19% are homeless
- 84% are food insecure

How do people choose between food and other necessities?

- · 48% choose between paying for food or utilities
- 50% choose between food and paying rent or mortgage
- \cdot $\,$ 40% choose between food and medical care
- · 38% choose between food and transportation

To donate: Food Bank of Monterey County, 815 Main Street, #5, Salinas, CA. 93901.

Donate your Clothing for Farm Workers

Barbara Podoloff of Copies by the Sea, doesn't have to ask, she just gets — big black plastic yard bags filled with outgrown or no longer needed lightly used clothes for all ages as well as accessories such as belts, wallets, shoes, and hats. You can give anything to make farm workers more comfortable, which she collects in her tiny copy shop across from the Carmel Post Office. She takes the donations and drives south to King City where she meets up with 92 year old Nancy Costello, who puts the bags into the back of her pickup truck and delivers them to the migrant workers in south Monterey County. This remarkable collaboration between Barbara and Nancy has been going on for years. What a difference these two women have made in the lives of families who work in the fields picking produce in the fertile Salinas Valley.

Copies by the Sea is tucked away in the courtyard on the southwest corner of 5th and Dolores. Let Barbara make copies for you while you drop off your black bag full of clothes for the farm workers at the same time!

I know we are pressured on a daily basis to give money to cultural, political, environmental and other causes, but surely it is possible for us to contribute in some way to help others who must live and work, often for our benefit, under very trying circumstances.

Goliday ala at the La Playa December 13th



The holidays are just around the corner and the Holiday Gala chairs Mary Ellen Thomas and Kathleen and Barry Swift have created for your enjoyment a special dinner menu and entertainment. Come join us at the La Playa Hotel in Carmel on Monday, December 13th at 5:30 p.m. Relax as the Merry Carolers deck the halls with sounds of holiday cheer while you dine on sumptuous winter-time fare. An evening like this should not be missed!

5:30- 6:30 PM Cocktails 6:45 PM Dinner Served

FIRST-COURSE CHOICE

Mixed Baby Greens and Roasted Beet Salad ~OR~

Mixed Organic Baby Greens with Roma Tomato and Vinaigrette Dressing topped with Walnuts and Feta Cheese

ENTREE CHOICES

Pork Rib Roast with Apples and Calvados Sauce and Creamy Scalloped Potatoes

~OR~

Fresh Sustainable Pacific Salmon Filet– Fire Grilled and topped with delicate Hollandaise Sauce and served with Wild Rice

~OR~

Classic Roasted Turkey with Fresh Cranberry Sauce and Creamy Scalloped Potatoes

Seasonal Vegetable Accompaniments

Freshly Baked Bread

House-made Holiday Egg Nog Brulee

Coffee and Tea service

Please send a \$45/ person check (tax & tip included), payable to CRA, with your salad and entree choices and your phone number, to arrive NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8TH, to Kathleen and Barry Swift, P.O. Box AC, Carmel, CA. 93921.

You will be notified if you have been placed on the waiting list. If you reserve space and must cancel, please call Kathleen or Barry at 625-1426 so your place can be given to someone else.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

VETERANS DAY Thurs., Nov. 11, 11 a.m. Ceremony at Devendorf Park

CRA GENERAL MEETING

Thurs., Nov. 18, 4:45 p.m. Dean Flippo "The Wacky World of Criminals" Vista Lobos, Torres, btwn 3rd and 4th

CRA BEACH CLEAN-UP

Sat., Nov. 20, 10 a.m. to noon Foot of Ocean Ave. (There is no beach clean-up in Dec.)

40TH ANNUAL HOMECRAFTERS MARKETPLACE Sat., Nov. 20, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunset Center Parking lot

HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING

Fri., Dec. 3, 2010, 4:30 p.m. Annual celebration, tree lighting, and entertainment Devendorf Park at Ocean Ave.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING Tues., Dec. 7, 4:30 p.m. City Council Chambers

CRA HOLIDAY GALA Monday, Dec. 13, 5:30 p.m. LaPlaya Hotel

ONGOING CITY MEETING DATES:

All held in City Council Chambers, Monte Verde between Ocean and 7th. Check with City Hall for updates. http://ci.carmel.ca.us/

City Council, 1st Tues., 4:30 p.m. Forest and Beach Commission, 1st Thurs., 1:30 p.m. Planning Commission, 2nd Wed., 4 p.m. Community Activities and Cultural Commission, 2nd Tues., 9:30 a.m. Historic Resources Board, 3rd Mon., 4 p.m.

Please see the CRA's website for the year's schedule of

Library Board of Trustees, 4th Wed., 9 a.m.

meetings and events. www.carmelresidents.org

Council meeting broadcast: the Sunday after the meeting, 8:00 a.m.-noon, Channel 26.

Share the Care Important Training Available To CRA Members

Many of us who have had surgery, or are recovering from health problems, often don't have immediate family members to help us through all the ups and downs of our recovery.

Whether it's a short crisis or a very long one, most of us will need lots of help beyond what paid professionals can do. Who will drive us to health care appointments, be our patient advocate with hospitals and doctors, read to us, and cook meals? Who will go to the post office, take the dog for a week, or write a letter?

If we're lucky enough to have local family members to help, who's going to take care of them while they take care of us?

Fortunately, there is a proven practical way to answer all such needs: "Share the Care."

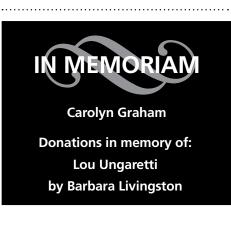
Since 1995, award-winning Share the Care has served as a blueprint for creating caregiving groups in 40 states, as well as Canada, Brazil, Iceland, Australia, Spain, Malaysia, and Israel. Share the Care offers ways to convince people that they need to provide respite for their devoted family caregivers before they burn out.

Share the Care shows ordinary people how to pool their talents, time, and resources to assist a friend or loved one facing a health or medical crisis, or the routine problems of aging. It turns offers of "What can I do to help?" into positive action. It prevents caregiver burnout while offering group members profound inner rewards.

The Arkay Foundation is supporting Share the Care founder, Sheila Warnock, to conduct a training in the method through the world-renowned Service Learning Institute at CSUMB February 10, 2011, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. In addition to the training, participants will receive a copy of the prize-winning book, *Share The Care*, a 100 page manual, morning and afternoon refreshments, and lunch. Local organizations endorsing this training include the Carmel Residents Association, the Carmel Foundation, the Sally Griffin Active Learning Center, Shary Farr's Partners for Transition, the Natividad Medical Center Foundation, Meals on Wheels-Monterey Peninsula, and the Monterey County Area Agency on Aging.

CRA members can join 50 select individuals who will have this uplifting and potentially community-changing experience. One can use the training to catalyze caregiving groups for themselves, friends, family members, or others in Carmel and beyond. Preference will to to active or retired health professionals who are CRA members. But lay persons with a strong personal need or a strong desire to help others are also eligible for CRA's trainee slots.

If this idea stirs your mind, heart, or soul, look at www.sharethecare. org to get a fuller understanding of what Share The Care is about. Then phone the Monterey County Share The CareTraining Coordinator, CRA member Stuart Miller, at 625-3799.



HELP FOR Seniors

CRA board member Tom Parks, who is on the Monterey County Alliance on Aging board, has provided us with two phone numbers with helpful information for seniors and disabled adults:

CALIFORNIA SENIOR INFORMATION LINE 1-800-510-2020

which has a wealth of information relevant to senior issues.

ALLIANCE ON AGING 831-655-1334

can help with tax preparation, health insurance, wellness, ombudsman service for those in care facilities, senior employment, home care training and basic computer instruction.

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CONGRATULATIONS

to CRA member, councilman Ken Talmage, grandfather to first-born grandchild James Hume Gordon, born in Boston, Thursday, September 30.

CARMEL BEACH

Laura Christopher Newmark March 2009

Through the sculptural branches of cypress trees beckons the glinting, glinting sea where beyond the bluff trail and beach of white sand blue-green breakers roll toward land.



SATURDAY, NOV 20 10 A.M. - NOON

- Meet at foot of Ocean Ave.
- Please bring gloves
- Coffee and cookies served courtesy of Carmel Coffee House and Safeway Stores, Carmel
- Thanks to the Pine Cone for the ad donated each month!

Art Competition Winners Revealed

The Carmel Forest and Beach Commission and the Friends of Carmel Forest announced the winners of the art competition held as part of their October 17 Arbor Day event at Carpenter Hall, Sunset Center.

Photographs and paintings of Carmel's iconic trees - Monterey Pine and Monterey Cypress, were submitted for judging, with the winner in each category receiving a check in the amount of \$250.

Judges from the Center for Photographic Art, Douglas Steakley and Robin Ward, selected "Forest Sunrise" by marine biologist Art Haseltine as best photograph. Carmel Art Association member artists, Mark Farina and Jan Wagstaff, chose "View of Bay" framed by Monterey Pines by Robert Lewis as best painting. Robert shows his work at Gallery Elite on San Carlos Street.

Approximately 80 people enjoyed the afternoon program. Tom Leverone, Forest and Beach Commissioner, discussed Carmel's Forest Management Plan; and Jim Rieser, of J. Rieser Fine Art Gallery, spoke about the early Carmel artists whose paintings depicted Monterey Pine and Monterey Cypress. Arbor Day is celebrated annually. This is the third such program co-sponsored by the Forest and Beach Commission andthe Friends tof Carmel Forest.

Think Green...for everyone's sake!

■ THINK BEFORE PURCHASING.

Buy items in bulk, borrow or rent items, go online to find gently used products.

■ KEEP ELECTRONICS OUT OF THE TRASH.

All Waste Management sites are e-waste drop off locations for your convenience—Carmel Valley, King City, Salinas and Castroville. Also, keep up-to-date on annual e-waste events in your local community.

■ SKIP OUT ON BOTTLED PRODUCTS.

Refill a reusable container for fluids, and save yourself some money.

EAT SUSTAINABLE FOOD.

Eat locally as much as possible. Purchasing from local farmers and at a farmer's market keeps money in the local economy and reduces packaging.

RECYCLE!

Participate in your Waste Management curbside recycling program.

ENERGY SAVING TIPS FOR WINTER

- Unplug appliances when leaving for a trip. Many still use electricity, even if switched off.
- Open the drapes and shades on south-facing windows during the day to let sunlight into your home. Close them at night to retain the heat.
- Set your thermostat as low as comfortable when home. Sweaters, slippers and blankets can help keep you warm.
- Install faucet aerators and low-flow showerheads to save energy and water.
- Replace broken appliances with energy-efficient appliances.

Readable Reads

FOR STIEG LARSSON FANS

If you are frustrated that you have already read the three books in the late Stieg Larsson's Millennium Trilogy and that's it because of his untimely death, here is a possible solution:

We met a young Swedish couple, Cecilia and Stefan, on Carmel Beach, who were staying for two weeks at La Playa with their six-month old son. They love Carmel and want to eventually leave Stockholm and retire here! Clayton and I had a small gathering for them something they said would never happen in Sweden!

When we mentioned the national rage about Stieg Larsson, Cecilia, a journalist, said that we should try another Swedish mystery writer, Håkan Nesser, whom she actually prefers. Our library has two of his books: *The Return* and *Borkmann's Point*. We liked *The Return* more than *Borkmann's Point*, but are still hoping that the rumor of another unpublished Larsson book will prove true.

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MY DOG MAY BE A GENIUS

Poem by Jack Prelutsky, named Children's Poet Laureate in 2006

My dog may be a genius, And in fact, there's little doubt.

He recognizes many words, Unless I spell them out.

If I so much as whisper "walk," He hurries off at once To fetch his leash . . . it's evident My dog is not a dunce.

I can't say "food" in front of him. I spell f-0-0-d, And he goes wild unless I spell His t-r-e-a-t.

But recently this tactic Isn't working out too well. I think my d-o-g has learned To s-p-e-l-l.

Thanks to Linda Anderson for her many years of making the CRA newsletter happen!

There is no way to adequately express our deep regard for Linda Anderson - outgoing editor of the CRA NEWS. Thank you, dear Linda, for the nearly 20 years you have dedicated to making the CRA NEWS the community's best source for knowing what is going on in our village.



Carolyn Hardy (left) presented Linda Anderson (center) with a beautiful cut glass box engraved with the "CRA News" logo and an appreciation message. Charlotte Townsend (right) organized the certificate of appreciation and read it to Linda.



Enjoying the festivities at a recent Dines Out event were (from left to right), Adam Moniz, Paula Philbin, Kathleen Swift, Barry Swift, and Ron Fredrickson.

WHAT IS CRA ALL ABOUT?

The Carmel Residents Association is committed to the protection and enrichment of the traditional quality of life in Carmel-by-the-Sea and the preservation of its heritage and natural beauty through education, community activities and advocacy.

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BECOME A MEMBER!

It's easy to become a member of the Carmel Residents Association.

- Visit us on line:
- www.carmelresidents.org
- or email us:
- carmelresidents@gmail.com

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■ or call us: **626-1610**!

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ANDRE'S BOUCHEE A friend, who eats regularly at good eateries like Corkscrew, Wickets, Cafe Rustica and Wills Fargo in Carmel Valley, called to tell me of a fine dining experience she and her husband had at Andre's Bouchee in Carmel. She described the meal as one of the best in recent memory. Andre's Bouchee, Mission Street, west side between Ocean Avenue and 7th Avenue.

CHUCKLES Walking down Dolores Street on a typical, predictable Carmel-gray day, I was pleasantly startled by the shocking bursts of color in a shop window. John and Claudia McCotter, owners of Chuckles, have filled their shop with gifts, accessories, stationery - almost all paper goods which explode with color. The sun shines daily at Chuckles (west side Dolores, few shops north of 6th Avenue).

CRA BOARD COLLECTING NAMES OF LONG-TIME MEMBERS

In anticipation of the celebration of its 25th anniversary in 2012, the Carmel Residents Association Board of Directors is seeking the names of members who joined the organization between the years of 1987 and 1992. Please contact Barbara Livingston if you are one of the "originals" or if you know someone who is or was and has subsequently passed away.

FULL REPORT ON HARASSMENT SUIT ON LINE

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The full report on Carmel's Harassment Suit, summarized in the last CRA News, is available on line at www.carmelresidents.org. Hard copies are available by request to carmelresidents@gmail.com or to CRA, PO Box 13, Carmel 93921.



WHEN INSULTS HAD CLASS

He had delusions of adequacy.

~Walter Kerr

He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire.

~Winston Churchill

His mother should have thrown him away and kept the stork.

~ Mae West

Some cause happiness wherever they go; others, whenever they go.

~Oscar Wilde

A member of Parliament to Disraeli: "Sir, you will either die on the gallows or of some unspeakable disease." "That depends, Sir" said Disraeli, "whether I embrace your policies or your mistress."



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