

The High Tide

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As it becomes more apparent that we will continue with drought conditions for yet another year, the need for reducing water consumption continues to be a high-priority concern. We have begun getting landscape consultation and design advice that expands our drip irrigation system. While we use drip for irrigation in some specific locations, it is believed that we could use less water with a property-wide conversion to drip wherever possible. Further, we have discovered issues with our irrigation booster pumps. Hence, both pumps are scheduled for replacement in late March.

We have begun receiving bids for some concrete and asphalt work. The pathway at the end of Santa Monica is being re-done as part of the landscape renovation there. We also plan to remove the rock/gravel path that leads to the beach path and replace it with concrete or asphalt. The steps that lead to the tennis courts will be repaired, as tree roots have caused significant damaged.

The tennis courts are also in need of some repairs or complete reconditioning. We will be soliciting bids for the required work. This reserve project was deferred from a few years ago. We will also be looking into any possible improvements for the support of pickle ball as the demand for courts for this sport is growing.

The pool is schedule to be heated starting in early April, in time for Easter and spring break visitors. The pool will be covered when closed, and, as a reminder, owners are not allowed to uncover the pool at any time.

As you know, the annual owners meeting is scheduled for April 2 at 10 am. The meeting will held via

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Zoom, and we are working on providing a viewing area in the Clubhouse for those who are interested and comfortable gathering there. Details will be posted later this week, both on our website and in the glass case located next to the clubhouse door.

In addition a call for board candidates has been distributed by Anderson & Co. We have two board seats that are open, and we are interested in speaking with any possible candidates who are interested in serving on the HOA board of directors. Please contact Anderson & Co. if interested, and you will be contacted by a nomination committee member.

Thanks for the continued support, and feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns.

Bob

Cheers,

From the Editor

March has always been special to me because I was born this month (on the 25th) many decades ago in Washington, DC. The significance of this date is that it is also "Maryland Day," and I lived in Maryland all of my life until moving to Santa Cruz in 2006. I hope to get back there this year to visit family and friends, and to attend my high school reunion in the fall.

Another significant date for me is the night of the Academy Awards. Every year, I try to watch all of the nominated best pictures. It has gotten easier now that many are streaming. In fact, often I've even found the collection of nominated short films and animated shorts on my cable provider's "On Demand." You can easily find the entire list online, but if you want to see the list of this year's best picture nominees and where to view them, check out page 6. I've only seen two. Will you join me in this quest to see all ten?

March not only ushers in Spring on the 20th (aka the March Equinox), but it hosts St. Patrick's Day on the 17th. And the entire month is dedicated to the history of women!

Another unmistakable benefit of March is that we get to set our clocks ahead an hour. Yes, we loose an hour of sleep, but we gain that extra hour of daylight we crave throughout winter. I hope you remembered to adjust your clocks.

It seems that the world is opening up again, and perhaps we'll truly enter the endemic phase. If you are looking for activities, check out those listed on page 3 and some restaurant information on page 4. And if you want to read a monthly book selection with several us, come to the Clubhouse on the 15th to join us (more info on page 7).

I hope to see you around CDS and on Zoom for the Homeowners General Meeting next month.

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ROADWORK

Work on Highway 17 for Mountain Lion Crossing

Highway 17 through the Santa Cruz Mountains is treacherous to wildlife, especially to our mountain lions and deer. In mid-February, crews began construction on a \$12 million project to build an underpass for wildlife under the four lanes at Laurel Curve. Not

only will this save wildlife, it will prevent damage to vehicles that collide with these wild animals.

Laurel Curve is the deadliest section for wildlife according to Caltrans. Laurel curve is 5 miles north of Scotts Valley and 17 miles south of Los Gatos. Because this area connects to key drainage basins that lead to the San Lorenzo River on one side and Soquel Creek on the other, it is very attractive to wildlife.

The construction work is taking place at night and is scheduled to be finished in November. The underpass will be 85 feet long, 71 feet wide and 13 feet high. It will also be fitted with wildlife cameras.





THINGS TO DO



Grand Wine Tasting

Sunday, April 24, 2022

12:30 - 4:00 pm

The Mountain Winery in Saratoga

featuring 150 wines from 40+ Santa Cruz Mountain vitners

For more info and tickets:

https://tinyurl.com/4jp75354



Art of the African Diaspora

Ongoing through April 17 Thurs-Sun 12-6 pm Museum of Art & History 705 Front Street Santa Cruz Coming to the Santa Cruz Civic Auditorium

SEDARIS SANTA CRUZ CIVIC AUDITORIUM May 4, 2022 7:30 pm

Santa Cruz Civic Auditorium 307 Church Street Santa Cruz, CA 95060 (831) 420-5260 <u>santacruztickets.com</u>



Whose Live Anyway? Sunday, June 26 at 7:30pm 90 minutes of live improvised comedy and song by the current stars of the TV show, *Whose Line Is It Anyway*?: Ryan Stiles, Greg Proops, Jeff B. Davis, and Joel Murray.

Take your kids or grandchildren to see the **Easter Bunny at Roaring Camp Railroads**



Eggstraordinary Easter Weekend April 16 & 17 www.roaringcamp.com

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FOOD

Restaurant Pino Alto has reopened. This is the restaurant staffed by the Cabrillo College Culinary Arts program. The restaurant is located in the Sesnon House on Cabrillo's campus--6500 Soquel Drive, Aptos.

Dine in or pick-up during these hours:

- Lunch Tuesday and Thursday; 11 am-1 pm
- Dinner Wednesday through Friday; 5:30-8:00 pm

Persephone restaurant has begun offering wine tastings, cheese/small bites, and live music on its patio on the second Sunday of each month. Sample wines from around the world, with a different region featured each month. Tickets are \$35. The next one will be April 10. They are also open for lunch Thursday through Sunday, 12-3 pm; and dinner Thursday through Saturday, 5 pm to close. 7945 Soquel Drive, Aptos; www.persephonerestaurant.com.

NEW RESTAURANT <u>Restaurant Malik Williams</u>

Italian Influence with a Twist

Twenty-one-year-old Santa Cruzan Malik Williams will officially open his

first restaurant in Aptos on March 16 at 9067 Soquel Drive (formerly the Rio del Mar Mexican restaurant, which closed in 2018 and has since been remodeled). Williams attended the Culinary Arts of America in upstate New York and subsequently worked at Michelin-starred Manresa in Los Gatos.

Open Wednesday through Sunday, 4:00-8:30 pm.

Call 831-251-0676 or visit Open Table for reservations.

RECIPE CORNER

Celebrate Pi Day this year with this healthy recipe for no-bake key lime tartlets.

NO-BAKE KEY LIME AVOCADO TARTLETS Ser

Ingredients

7 1/2 whole-grain graham crackers
2 dates, pitted and coarsely chopped
1/4 C. coconut oil, melted
1 small ripe avocado, chopped
2 1/2 T. honey
1 t. grated lime zest
1/2 t. kosher salt



Serves 6 45 minutes

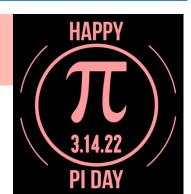
6 T. plain low-fat Greek yogurt

2 1/2 T. fresh line juice, preferably from Key limes

1-2 Key or regular limes, very thinly sliced and quartered, for garnish

1) Cover a 12-cup mini muffin tray with 2 large sheets of plastic wrap; gently press into each well (or line with paper liners). Pulse crackers and dates in a food processor until finely chopped, about 20 pulses. With processor running, stream in coconut oil and process until combined, about 20 seconds. Spoon about 1 1/2 T. crumb mixture into each mini muffin well; press mixture onto bottom and up sides of wells. Chill until firm, about 30 minutes.

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2) Meanwhile, rinse out food processor and wipe dry. Process avocado, honey, lime zest and juice, salt, and 4 T. yogurt until smooth, about 20 seconds. Spoon avocado mixture evenly into prepared crusts.

3) Using the plastic wrap as handles, gently lift tartlets from muffin tray. Transfer tartlets to a platter, dollop each with about 1/2 t. yogurt, and garnish with quartered lime slices. Serve immediately.

Per Serving (2 tartlets): 253 calories, 14g fat (8g sat.), 1mg chol., 253mg sod., 31g carb., 3g fiber, 18g sugar (7g added sugar), 3g protein, 40mg calcium, 1mg iron. **V**egetarian.

LIBRARY



Santa Cruz Public Libraries https://www.santacruzpl.org

La Selva Beach Branch Hours Tues - Thur 11 am - 6 pm Fri - Sat 12 pm - 5 pm

Book Drop is open 24/7.

Branches closed for renovations: Aptos Boulder Creek Branciforte Garfield Park Scotts Valley Book Drops are open 24/7

4th Friday Movie Matinee @ the Library is BACK! March 25 at 10 am

Movie: "Belfast" PG-13 2021 · Drama/Comedy-drama · 1h 38m

A semi-autobiographical film which chronicles the life of a working-class family and their young son's childhood during the tumult of the late 1960s in the Northern Ireland capital. Directed by Kenneth Branagh.

In-Person Tech Help @ La Selva - Fridays from 10 am to 12 pm

Are you stuck with a technology question? The tech savvy staff at the La Selva Beach Library would like to help you troubleshoot your issue with a 25-minute (or less) appointment. Fixing broken hardware or software is not within their scope.

Possible topics may include: creating an email account, creating documents, attaching files, using premium subscription library resources, downloading and streaming content like movies, books, audio-books, and more.

Please bring any devices you use and have your necessary passwords and library card with you. To make an appointment: <u>https://santacruzpl.libcal.com/appointments/laselva</u>

Advance appointments are prioritized. Visit the library's information desk or call 831-427-7713 to make an appointment. Arriving later than 5 minutes after your scheduled time may result in appointment cancellation.



RAINFALL TOTALS FOR LA SELVA BEACH

Rain season is October 1 to September 30.

Season to date 18.25 inches Last year to date 13.21 inches Last year total 15.67 inches

Rain data is current as of 2 pm on March 13, 2022, as reported in the <u>Santa Cruz Sentinel</u>.



TV&MOVIES

HULU Limited series: The Dropout, starring Amanda Seyfried; about the rise and fall of biotech entrepreneur Elizabeth Holmes, who dropped out of Stanford to launch her health tech company. 94th Academy Awards March 27 5 pm on ABC



SHOWTIME Series: Super Pumped: The Battle for Uber, starring Scott Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Kyle Chandler and Uma Thurman; based on the shocking true story of the meteoric rise and fall of Uber founder, Travis Kalanick.

2022 "Best Picture"Oscar nominees and where to watch

Belfast - Amazon Prime Video CODA - Apple TV+ Don't Look Up - Netflix Drive My Car - only in theaters Dune - HBO Max King Richard - HBO Max Licorice Pizza - only in theaters Nightmare Alley - HBO Max The Power of the Dog - Netflix AMC, BBC America and AMC+ Series: Killing Eve, starring Sandra Oh and Jodie Comer; fourth and final season; British spies go about trying to defeat a shady organization while spreading chaos.

NBC Series: Law & Order, staring Sam Waterston, Anthony Anderson, Jeffrey Donovan and Camryn Manheim*; the return of the flagship show premiered on February 24.

In theaters Movie: The Batman, staring Robert Pattinson. Look out, Gothom, there's a new Batman in town!

*Camryn Manheim is a UCSC alumna (B.A. theater arts, Porter College, 1984).

CALENDAR NOTES

Board Meetings

All Board meetings are held on the first Monday of the month at 4 pm via Zoom.

<u>CDS Game Day</u> CANCELED PERMANENTLY Every Tuesday 3-5 pm - in the Clubhouse

<u>CDS Women's Book Club</u> Every Wednesday 4-6 pm - in the Clubhouse

<u>CDS Co-ed Book Club</u> Third Tuesday of the month at 1:30 pm - in the Clubhouse (March 15; April 19; May 17) New members welcome; contact Judy Mathews: 408-655-5141 or <u>mathewsjc50@gmail.com</u>



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Annual Owners Meeting

Saturday, April 2, 2022 at 10 am via Zoom, with possible option for in-person viewing in the Clubhouse

The official meeting notice was sent out by Anderson & Co. on March 11.

MORE FREE Covid tests

You can now order an additional four free Covid-19 tests from COVIDtests.gov.

Limit of four test kits per address.

REDISTRICTING

Effective June 22, two of our legislators will have new district numbers due to the recent redistricting. Our representatives themselves remain the same.



- John Laird State Senate (17th) no change
 - Jimmy Panetta US House of Reps. (20th) our new district will be the 19th
 - Mark Stone State Assembly (29th) our new district will be the 30th



Please submit anything you wish to share . . . family news, pets, travel, etc.

Send pics/info to: LorraineMargon@gmail.com



HELPFUL INFORMATION

Cañon del Sol Community Website

http://www.canondelsol.com username: cds | password: surfandsun

CDS Board of Directors

President	Bob Carpenter
Vice President	Judy Mathews
Treasurer	Colin Tierney
Secretary	Jesse Fielding
Director-at-large	Bruce Margon

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CDS Clubhouse 400 Abalone Drive, La Selva Beach, CA 95076

Marine Mammal Rescue: 831.633.6298

Allied Universal Security - Patrol Division 831.684.1111

> Police/Sheriff – Non-emergency 831.471.1121

CalFire - Be Ready www.readyforwildfire.org/prepare-for-wildfire

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