

The High Tide

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A Newsletter for Residents of Cañon del Sol Volume 4, Issue 8

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Earlier this summer, the CDS Board was introduced to the new leadership partners for Anderson & Company, Kane and Susy Rodoni Silverberg. The following is a quote from the message that was shared with the Board: "Suzy and Kane are long-time Santa Cruz residents (their families have been in Santa Cruz for four generations), and they bring with them a combined 60 years of experience in all aspects of the real estate industry including Real Estate Brokerage, Mortgage Lending, Property Management, Residential Renovation and Residential Development. Together, they are well equipped to help your community continue to move forward as you have become accustomed to working with Anderson & Company." We, as a board, look forward to working with Anderson to continue meeting the needs of our HOA. Please feel free to let us know if you have any concerns when dealing with Anderson & Company.

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During the August Board meeting, the Board approved a bid from Quilici Landscaping to begin cleanup of the park area behind the homes on Pismo Drive. This will include removal of dry dead bushes and debris. This, along with our efforts on our side of the state park boundary, should help increase our defensible boarder for fire protection. Along with the fence boarder cleanup, we have begun some aggressive trim back of the brush and poison oak along the beach path. We will continue with these efforts over the upcoming months. We are also getting bids to change out the rock area in front of the beach path gate with asphalt or concrete, as the rock path continues to require annual maintenance.

With a hearty thank you to Lorraine Margon for the excellent (volunteer) work that she does each month on the newsletter, the Board has had to reconsider the greater than \$3,000 per year expense for printing, handling and mailing the newsletter. The newsletter is optional and not a legally required document for the HOA. The Board unanimously agreed to keep the newsletter, e-mail it to all homeowners, and make a handful of hard copies available at the clubhouse. To this end, we will be notifying current "mail only" residents to gather the necessary information to begin e-mailing of the newsletter if this is desired, rather than hard-copy pickup.

Thanks to all for staving safe and wearing your mask again when inside public places!

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At left, one of the big trees recently seen at Calaveras Big Trees State Park (credit: Lorraine Margon)

POOL & SPA

Hours: 9 am - 10 pm



Please follow all rules posted inside the pool area.

From the editor,

I am so grateful to live in this community where I have made so many wonderful friends and can enjoy the *mostly-sunny* weather and all of the nature and wildlife we have here. The recent foggy days have been getting to me a bit lately. Having flowers around the house really helps. Since the start of the pandemic, Bruce and I have subscribed to a monthly floral bouquet delivery service. I often supplement it with some



long-lasting alstromerias (Peruvian lilies) that I can spread around the house. And when my gerbera daisy plants are blooming, I will cut some and spread those around as well. Fresh flowers really can lift one's mood! To make them last as long as possible, I typically change the water as soon as it begins to look cloudy.

I am not complaining about the fog or overcast conditions. To the contrary, we are so lucky to be spared from the hot climate, fires and smoke affecting so many parts of California. My heart goes out to all of those who are adversely affected. Being evacuated is traumatic enough, and losing one's home...well, I simply cannot imagine how devastating that must be. People are resilient, yes; and they do bounce back. However, despite however strong one is, there is anger, sadness, grief. It is akin to the loss of a loved one. Anyone who is displaced, even temporarily, needs to know that others care by receiving whatever help is required to meet their basic needs under such trying circumstances. It is most often recommended that we make a donation to a relief organization instead of providing physical goods. This better ensures that what is truly needed is provided. If you want to help, you can make a cash donation to organizations that are directly helping Californians. Just "Google" the following names and you will find information about what they are doing and how you can donate: California Wildfire Relief, California Fire Foundation, California Fire Foundation and California Community Foundation.

It's still tough out there with Covid-19 and the Delta Variant in play. Many of us hoped for more in-person meetings and events, and much of those are reverting to Zoom and other virtual platforms. Fingers crossed that more people will be getting the vaccine and that we have one for children ages 6-11 soon. While we do our part, we'll just have to be patient. Speaking of which, read about "The Book of Patience" on page 5.

Cheers, Lorraine Margon

THINGS TO DO-IN PERSON



Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds 2601 East Lake Avenue Watsonville, CA 95076

Check out our website at

www.santacruzcountyfair.com

for schedules, entry guides, online entries and more!

Santa Cruz County Fair Hours

Wednesday, September 15

Thursday, September 16

Friday, September 17

Saturday, September 18

Sunday, September 19

12 Noon to 11:00 p.m.

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13 Noon to 11:00 p.m.

14 Noon to 11:00 p.m.

15 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

16 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Special Admission Days

Wednesday, September 15 Senior Day – 62 & over

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 \$10.00

 Veterans Day (with ID)
 FREE

 Kids Day - 12 & under
 FREE

Thursday, September 16

Education Day – 9AM - 12 PM

Must pre-order tickets for Education Day

Take a Tour of

Rancho San Andres Castro Adobe Historic Park

Sunday, August 22; 11 am - 4 pm

184 Old Adobe Road, Watsonville (10 mins from CDS)

State Parks staff will walk you back in time to the Mexi-

can Rancho period of the mid-1800s. That's when this two-story Castro Adobe hacienda was built on the 9,000acre rancho granted to Jose Juaquin Castro, and it soon became one of the social centers of the Central California Coast.



To make a reservation, go to: www.cognitoforms.com/FSCSP1/CastroAdobeTours

Santa Cruz County Fair

Parking: **\$10.00**

Admission

Senior Adults 62 years old & over \$12.00

Adults and Youth 13 to 61 years old \$15.00

Youth 6 to 12 years old \$8.00

> Youth under 6 FREE

Active Military with ID FREE

THINGS TO DO-IN PERSON

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SCULPTURE IS: IN THE GARDEN

Sierra Azul Nursery and Garden

2660 East Lake Avenue, Watsonville

Through October 31

10 am - 5 pm daily

This is a <u>free</u>, walkable art exhibit of over 100 sculptures by more than 40 local artists and collaborators. Enjoy a picnic under Sierra Azul's umbrellas and a stroll through the garden.



WANTED

*** More News ***

Please submit photos from your hikes or travels, pictures of new children in the family, something fun that you did, anything we can include that would help others to get to know you. Did you have a milestone birthday, win a race, get an award? Have a favorite recipe or local spot? We want to know!

ALSO: Please send in pictures of your furry companions, with or without his/her owners! *Please include your pet's name, age and breed along with owner name(s) and address.*

Send pics/info to: LorraineMargon@gmail.com

LIBRARY

Santa Cruz Public Libraries

https://www.santacruzpl.org

UPDATES

The library system is now open; however, all patrons must wear masks while indoors.

Branches closed for construction:

- **Aptos**
- **Boulder Creek**
- Branciforte
- **Garfield Park**
- Scotts Valley

Book Drops at these locations are open 24/7.



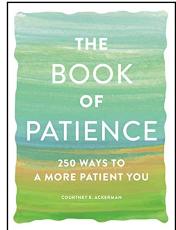
La Selva Beach Branch

Tues - Thur 1 pm - 6 pm Fri - Sat

Book Drop open 24/7 12 pm - 5 pm

ON THE SHELF

How does patience relate to stress? Not only is it a virtue that requires self-control; but applied to daily adversity, patience can help create a calmer. stress-free life.



The Book of **Patience** by

Courtney E. Ackerman (August 17) teaches you how to deescalate feelings of irritability and become less reactive in moments of stress and duress--and who couldn't use a few tips?



Cook Time: 18 minutes Total Time: 28 minutes Skill Level: Easy

RECIPE CORNER

Avocado Corn Salad Serves 6 as a side dish

This Avocado Corn Salad is a bright and feel-good salad that's loaded with grilled corn, creamy avocado, cherry tomatoes; and the dressing gives it an amazing fresh flavor. This is a crowd-pleasing fresh corn salad that always disappears fast!

Ingredients

- 1 lb cherry tomatoes, halved or quartered
- 3 ears of corn--cooked and cut off cob
- 2 avocados, sliced
- 1/2 medium red onion, thinly sliced
- 1/4 cup cilantro, chopped (1/2 small bunch)
- 2 Tbsp extra virgin olive oil
- 2 to 3 Tbsp lime juice (1 to 2 limes)
- 2 garlic cloves, pressed or finely minced
- 1 tsp sea salt or 3/4 tsp table salt

Instructions

- 1. In a large salad bowl, combine tomatoes, corn, avocado, red onion and cilantro; then press in the garlic.
- 2. Drizzle the top with olive oil; add lime juice to taste. Add salt and pepper and season to taste.
- 3. Toss the salad gently just until combined and serve.

FOOD

Food Truck Fridays - Capitola

Food and live music

August 27 & September 24 --- 4:30 to 7:30 pm

Monterey Avenue Park, Capitola (next to New Brighton Middle School; closest cross street is Junipero Court)





Cooking with Grey Bears

3rd Saturday of each month 11 am - 12 pm

Next session: September 18

Join Chef Poppy DeGarmo

<u>Live in person</u> in Grey Bears' warehouse kitchen (2710 Chanticleer Avenue, Santa Cruz) **OR** via Zoom at: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/92906805068

FOOD & HEALTH

Ever dreamed of eating chocolate every day without the guilt?

Researchers recently announced that postmenopausal women found that eating a bar of milk chocolate in the morning may have a surprising effect as a fat burner. Study participants either consumed 3.5 ounces of milk chocolate in the morning (within one hour of waking up) or at night (within one hour of bedtime).

Neither group gained weight; however, eating milk chocolate in the morning was linked with lower blood sugar levels, greater fat burning and a reduction in food cravings.



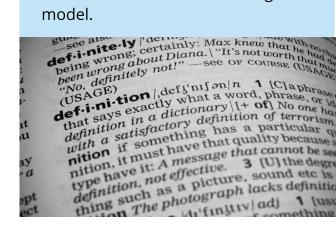
Thirsty

Definition: Having a need for attention or approval

You're probably thinking: Doesn't thirsty mean *needing to drink*? Well, Merriam-Webster added a new definition of the word last year.

"Thirsty" also means having a strong desire for attention, especially on social media. Thirsty is informal, and it's mostly used by young people.

How to use it: My brother is thirsty. He posts so many photos of our dog on Instagram because he wants her to be a dog model.





The total number of participants in this study was 19, which is not a large sample.

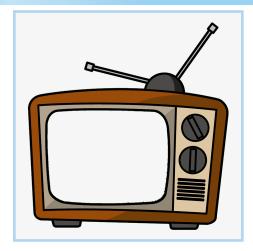
If you happen to give this a try, send your findings to LorraineMargon@gmail.com to share in a future edition.

Study source: Brigham and Women's Hospital

TV & MOVIES

NETFLIX

The Movies That Made Us 2019 | TV-MA | 2 Seasons | Docuseries These blockbusters brought us together and gave us the time of our lives. Meet the actors, directors and industry executives who made them happen. Enjoy fun insights into some of your favorite movies. **Season 2 was released on July 23.**



Grace and Frankie 2015 | TV-MA | 7 Seasons | TV comedy They're not friends, but when their husbands leave them for each other, proper Grace and eccentric Frankie begin to bond in this Emmynominated series. Stars Jane Fonda, Lily Tomlin, Martin Sheen and Sam Waterston. *First 4 episodes of Season 7 were released on August 13.*

Fatherhood 2021 | PG-13 | 1h 50m | <u>Drama</u> A widowed new dad copes with doubts, fears, heartache and dirty diapers as he sets out to raise his daughter alone; inspired by a true story. Stars Kevin Hart. *Movie was released on June 18.*

Vivo 2021 | PG | 1h 39m | Family Movies A music-loving kinkajou monkey (named Vivo) embarks on the journey of a lifetime to fulfill his destiny and deliver a love song for an old friend. Stars the voice of Lin-Manuel. Featuring songs from the *Representation Matters Collection*, written and performed by Lin-Manuel Miranda, with Gloria Estefan, Zoe Saldana, Juan de Marcos and more. **Movie was released on August 6--for kids and young-at-heart adults.**

AMAZON PRIME VIDEO

Modern Love 2019|16+|2 seasons | TV comedy/drama/romance Love breaks all the rules. Each episode of this anthology series brings to life different stories of relationships, connections, betrayals and revelations — all inspired by true events. Season 2 stars include Minnie Drive and Tom Burke. **Season 2 was released on August 13.**

INTERNATIONAL CRIME DRAMA

The Blood Pact - in Dutch with subtitles 2021 | TVMA | 3 seasons | Two years after becoming a widower, Hugo is struggling to balance his work life and being a single dad to two daughters. Little does he know his life is about to get a whole lot more complicated when his 8-year-old befriends the daughter of a prolific ex-criminal. From *Walter Presents*.

- Available on the PBS Masterpiece Channel at an additional cost via Amazon Prime Video.
- If you have a Roku device, you can subscribe to it via The Roku Channel at an additional cost.
- NOTE: You can begin with a free trial subscription with either option.



HELPFUL INFORMATION

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<u>www.canondelsol.com</u> username: cds | password: surfandsun

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