



# The High Tide

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A Newsletter for Residents of Cañon del Sol

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am pleased to report that based on the current CDC and county guidelines, we are able to suspend the reservation process for the use of the pool and spa. As of June 21, the pool and spa is fully open and operating under the outdoor guidelines. Please review any signage regarding use restrictions.

As for the clubhouse, there also is a new calendar that will show any events scheduled in the clubhouse that will restrict use at certain times. The calendar can be found on the front page of the CDS website ([canondelsol.com](http://canondelsol.com)). In addition to the pool table, a new ping pong table has been installed. We also have an upgraded smart TV which is available for use.

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*Below: UCSC Owlets (2014)  
Photo credit: Linda Copp*



We also hope to open the clubhouse for drop in use in early July. Owners will be allowed to use the facility during the open hours, which will be the same as the pool hours. Every owner's pool key will also be used to gain access to the clubhouse during open hours. It should be noted that the use rules are posted on the CDS website and also inside the glass case on the entry to the clubhouse. Use rules specifically require adult presence for all clubhouse use. Security cameras have been installed and will be used to monitor all activity.

We have begun the process of designing the replacement retaining wall located inside of the waste treatment plant that serves our community. The original wood one that was installed when the site was constructed has started to fail and shift; and it is impacting the operation of the treatment plant. This project is a new "unplanned" reserve project. The board will be discussing options for the funding of this project, once the design and bid phase is completed.

The July board meeting will move to July 12 in order to observe the Independence Day holiday and will be held via Zoom. The link for board meetings is always available on the CDS website.

Please let me know if you have any comments or concerns.

Thanks!

**Bob**

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# POOL AND SPA

**HOURS**  
**9AM - 10PM**

The pool and spa are fully open according to Santa Cruz County guidelines. Reservations are no longer required. Please follow all posted rules inside the pool and spa area.



## Santa Cruz County Covid-19 Update as of June 15

Masks are no longer required for **vaccinated individuals** in public except in the following settings:

Public transit / Healthcare settings / Correctional facilities  
Shelters / Indoor youth settings (childcare/schools)

Restrictions such as social distancing and capacity limits have been lifted. Some masking and other requirements will remain for "mega events" such as conventions and large concerts or sporting events.

Masks also remain required for **unvaccinated individuals** in indoor public settings, such as retail stores, restaurants, theaters, entertainment centers, public meetings, or government offices serving the public.

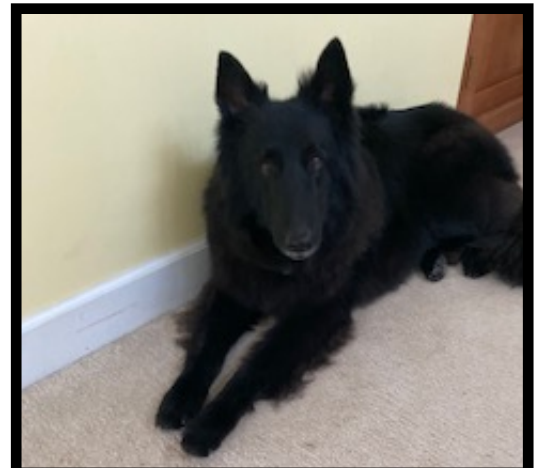
Business and venue operators may take any of the following steps to assure unvaccinated individuals wear masks:

- Ask for proof of vaccination
- Provide info on vaccination requirements and allow vaccinated individuals to self-attest
- Require all patrons to wear masks

Businesses and organizations may continue implementing infection control measures including masking.

More info at: [covid19.ca.gov](https://covid19.ca.gov)

# PETS OF CDS



## Meet Reno!

Reno is a 5-year-old  
Belgian sheepdog.  
His parents are Lynn and  
Michael Stein (387 CDS).



**State of  
California**

**Digital Vac-  
cine Record**

This is not a "vaccine passport" but rather allows you to obtain a QR code and digital copy of your COVID-19 vaccination record.

If you want to share your proof of vaccination, you can use either the electronic version you'll get from the portal or the card you were given at time of vaccination.

Get your digital record here:

[myvaccinerecord.cdph.ca.gov](https://myvaccinerecord.cdph.ca.gov)

# THINGS TO DO

## 14TH ANNUAL HOT RODS ON THE GREEN

Saturday, July 10; 9 am to 4 pm  
Twin Lakes Church  
2791 Cabrillo College Drive, Aptos

This outdoor fundraiser event features classic and custom cars from Santa Cruz County and beyond. It supports the Kingsmen Car Club's Industrial Arts Scholarship Program. Registration fee is \$25 before July 3. After that, it's \$35.



More info at: [TLC.org/Kingsmen](http://TLC.org/Kingsmen)

### 61st Annual Artichoke Festival

July 24-25 at 10 am each day  
Monterey County Fairgrounds  
\$15 - adults \$5 - ages 6-12 Free for under age 6  
\$10 active military and seniors (62+)  
Early-bird ticket packages are on sale until July 10  
[www.ArtichokeFestival.org](http://www.ArtichokeFestival.org)

### Gilroy Garlic Festival

July 23-25 and July 30-August 1  
"Gourmet Alley" drive-thru event  
plus several other activities  
Gilroy Presbyterian Church, 6000 Miller Avenue  
[GilroyGarlicFestivalAssociation.com](http://GilroyGarlicFestivalAssociation.com)

## HOW TO START TRAVELING AGAIN - VIA ZOOM



Wednesday, July 28; 3:45 to 5:15 pm (PT)  
Hosted by Smithsonian Associates

To assist aspiring travelers, Andrea Sachs, the *Washington Post's* travel writer; Pauline Frommer, co-president of Frommer Media and editorial director of Frommer's Guidebooks; and Karin King, deputy assistant secretary of state for overseas citizen services, offer a field guide for the new and sometimes-confounding landscape.

They will cover an array of topics including pandemic-era travel trends, travel insurance, and vaccination passports. The experts also help you avoid COVID-related scams and share the best resources for staying safe, healthy, and well-informed so you can relax on your long-overdue trip.

\$20 for members

\$25 for non-members

<https://smithsonianassociates.org/ticketing/tickets/how-to-start-traveling-again>

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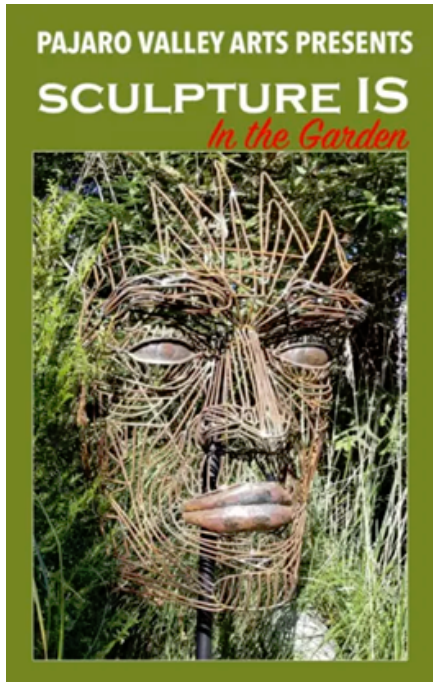


# THINGS TO DO

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### SCULPTURE IS: IN THE GARDEN

On display through October 31  
10 am - 5 pm daily  
Sierra Azul Nursery and Garden  
2660 East Lake Avenue, Watsonville



This is a free, walkable juried art exhibit of 100 sculptures created by 42 artists and collaborators. Sierra Azul has a 20-acre demonstration garden where you may relax with a picnic under the umbrellas.

### UCSC ARBORETUM

First Tuesdays Free  
9 am - 5 pm  
1156 High Street, Santa Cruz

The first Tuesday of every month is Community Day, and on that day admission is free. Explore the gardens, bird watch or relax on a bench in the shade. You may also want to visit Norrie's Gift & Garden Shop.



### FOOD TIDBITS

**La Selva Bread** - Baked bread and goodies for sale in front of the cottage next door to the La Selva Beach Library (on the Florido Ave. side)

**Sundays 12-4 pm**

### Local Online Produce and Gourmet Items

**Locale** - a service out of Los Gatos that will deliver local produce, meats, gourmet cheeses and desserts, baked goods (scones, muffins, etc), bread, jams, chocolates, beverages, prepared foods and more. Items are sourced from greater Bay Area vendors and delivered to your door on Saturdays for a small fee.

[www.shoplocale.us](http://www.shoplocale.us)

**Eat Local** - An online farmers marketplace featuring the best local produce from Santa Cruz County and the Pajaro Valley, delivered to your door on Wednesdays or Fridays for a small fee. [EatLocal.farm](http://EatLocal.farm)



# LIBRARY INFO

## UPDATE

The library system is now open for in-person visits.

However, all patrons must wear masks while indoors.



**Santa Cruz Public Libraries**

<https://www.santacruzpl.org>

Book Drop is open 24/7

**La Selva Beach Hours**

Tues, Thurs 1-7 pm

Saturday 12-5 pm

# NOTICES

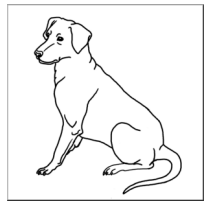
## FREE ITEM

One of our homeowners is remodeling at 393 Canon del Sol and is offering a **FREE** 10-year-old glass top cooktop and wall ovens that will fit into kitchens in phase four.

If interested, call Kristin/408-499-5104

## WANTED

### More Pet Pics



Please send in pictures of your furry companions, with or w/o its owners! Please include your pet's name, age & breed along with owner name(s) and address. **Send pics/info to: LorraineMargon@gmail.com**

# TV & MOVIES

**HBO Max**

**Us on Masterpiece/PBS** (TV-14; premiered June 20)

In a drama tinged with humor and heartbreak, Tom Hollander and Saskia Reeves play a couple who embark on a long-planned grand tour of Europe, despite the wife's wrenching proclamation that she wants to leave the marriage. The miniseries is based on a novel by best-selling author David Nicholls. Tom Hollander has described as "a rom-com in reverse."

***The Conjuring: The Devil Made Me Do It\** [aka The Conjuring 3] (Rated R; horror/thriller; released June 4)** Based on a chilling true story, paranormal investigators Ed and Lorraine Warren risk their lives to prove the innocence of the accused and the existence of evil forces in the first U.S. trial where demonic possession is being used as a legal defense. Stars Patrick Wilson, Vera Farmiga, Ruairi O'Connor, Sarah Catherine Hook, and Julian Hilliard.

***In the Heights\** (Rated PG-13; musical drama; released June 11)**

The film version of the Broadway musical by Lin-Manuel Miranda in which Usnavi, a sympathetic New York bodega owner, saves every penny every day as he imagines and sings about a better life. Stars Anthony Ramos, Corey Hawkins, Leslie Grace, Melissa Barrera, Olga Merediz, Daphne Rubin-Vega, Gregory Diaz IV, Stephanie Beatriz, Dascha Polanco, and Jimmy Smits.

\*Also in theaters

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## Disney+

**Luca** (Rated PG; animation by Pixar; Coming of Age/Family/Fantasy; released June 18) Set in a seaside town on the Italian Riviera, Luca is a coming-of-age story about one young boy experiencing an unforgettable summer filled with gelato, pasta and endless scooter rides. Luca shares these adventures with his friend, Alberto; but all the fun is threatened by a deeply held secret: they are monsters from another world below the water's surface.

## Netflix

### New episodes available:

**Lupin** (TV-MA mystery-crime drama; 2 seasons) Inspired by the adventures of Arsène Lupin (a character of the French novels/novellas by Maurice Leblanc), gentleman thief Assane Diop (Omar Sy) sets out to avenge his father for an injustice inflicted by a wealthy family. Season 2 premiered June 11; a third series is planned.

**The Kominsky Method** (TV-MA; sitcom; 3 seasons) Acting coach Sandy Kominsky (Michael Douglas) and best friend Norman Newlander (Alan Arkin) keep each other laughing as they navigate the ups and downs of getting older. Season 3 premiered May 18. Season 3 is the final series.

## Movies:

**Blue Miracle** (2021; TV-MA; children & family movie; based on real life) To save their cash-strapped orphanage, a guardian and his kids partner with a washed-up boat captain for a chance to win a lucrative fishing competition. Stars Jimmy Gonzales, Dennis Quaid, Anthony Gonzalez.

**The Woman in the Window** (2021; Rated R; psychological thriller) Confined to her home by agoraphobia, a psychologist becomes obsessed with her new neighbors — and solving a brutal crime she witnesses from her window. Stars Amy Adams, Gary Oldman, Anthony Mackie, Julianne Moore.

**Ride Like a Girl** (2020; Rated PG; social issue drama) The daughter of a horse trainer sets her sights on becoming the first female jockey to win the Melbourne Cup. Based on a true story. Stars: Teresa Palmer, Sam Neill, Sullivan Stapleton.



## THEATER

### Santa Cruz Shakespeare

Live outdoor performances

July 20 - August 29  
Audrey Stanley Grove  
DeLaveaga Park

More info:  
[santacruzshakespeare.org](http://santacruzshakespeare.org)  
831-460-6399 (box office)

## HOLIDAYS

A Belated **Happy Father's Day** to all of the great dads out there! Hope your day was relaxing and enjoyable.

### Fourth of July Activities

**Aptos's World's Shortest Parade** starts at 10 am at the corner of Soquel Drive and State Park Dr. and will continue to Trout Gulch Rd.

**Scotts Valley 4th of July Parade and Flyover** takes place at 3 pm on Scotts Valley Dr.

### Spirit of Watsonville Neighborhood Parade

Businesses, homes, and floats will be putting on the red, white and blue for the celebration!

**Roaring Camp: "The Ultimate Pod Party"** 4-8:45 pm: California Roots & Felton Music Hall Present: The Ultimate Pod Party. Enjoy live outdoor music at Roaring Camp!

Details and tickets:

<https://tinyurl.com/ffb2n3d2>

# HISTORY: THE HOUSE ON THE HILL

## THE PALMTAG/MUZZIO/BOWEN MANSION



How often have you looked at the white "house on the hill" as you drive up Sand Dollar Drive (at left when coming home) and wondered what its story was? Well, it is rich in history and interesting facts.

It now sits atop 4 acres of prime farmland, which is leased to an organic farmer. However, it was originally built at 18 W. Front Street in Watsonville on what is now an unnamed playground. It was moved to its present location years later. There is also a carriage house on the property that comprises a 900-square-foot studio-office atop a 900-square-foot garage.

The home was commissioned in 1872 by German immigrants, Christian and Fredricka Palmtag. The couple owned a brewery. Mr. Palmtag was considered to be a prominent businessman of the times.

The Palmtags met in Philadelphia, married and in 1862, moved west. They first settled in Placer County and later moved to Watsonville where they purchased the Pajaro Brewery on Front Street in 1868, which they quickly renamed the Palmtag Brewery. It was torn down in 1920. At one time, Watsonville produced almost 25 percent of California's beer. Most of this was from the Palmtag Brewery, while a smaller amount was made from the Watsonville Brewery--founded in 1882--on East Lake Avenue. Mrs. Palmtag purchased the Watsonville Brewery in 1901 to broaden her late husband's business. In 1908, their son, William Palmtag, added a modern bottling and refrigeration facility on Main and Front Streets.

The Palmtag Mansion was designed in the style of an Italianate Victorian by a local architect. The Italianate style began in the early 1800s in Britain and found its way to the United States in the late 1840s. By the late 1860s, it was the most popular house style in the U.S. and remained popular until about 1890. In California, the earliest Victorian residences were wooden versions of the Italianate style. Examples include the James Lick Mansion (Santa Clara), the John Muir Mansion (Martinez) and the famed Painted Ladies (San Francisco). Mr. Palmtag died at age 49, leaving the home to his wife who continued living in it until she passed in 1911.

In 1918, the Palmtag heirs sold the mansion to Angelina Muzzio, a widow who used the home as her residence and also as a boarding house. She supported her family by hosting elegant gatherings and banquets. She served wine, even during Prohibition. She raised three daughters and lived in the house until her death in 1985.





After Mrs. Muzzio's death, the house sat empty. Eventually, the family agreed to sell the property to the city of Watsonville under the condition that they would give the house away to a chosen applicant. The house was awarded to the Bowen family in 1998 who won it for \$1 (yes, a single dollar!). They won the award because they planned to keep the house in Santa Cruz County and had the funds necessary to move and restore it. They also had previous experience in home restoration. The Bowens had previously restored two other homes: a Victorian on King Street in Santa Cruz and an old home in Provo, Utah.

The Bowens--Julie and Dayle along with sons Christian and Nate--had the house moved to its current location on Sanderling Lane. The roof was removed and the house cut into four pieces in order to move it at 3 am, in the cover of darkness, it was strung with lights to increase its visibility. The outside of the house is very similar to its original state; however, major repairs were needed because the house sustained quite a bit of damage from the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake.

Many upgrades were made to the home. The electric and plumbing were replaced. Radiant heat was installed beneath the flooring. An all-marble fireplace was salvaged from a San Francisco Victorian and placed in the dining room, gracing a table set for 12. The kitchen features several modern applicanes and a vintage 1915 Garland gas range.

Mrs. Bowen was a designer, restorator and mother. Mr. Bowen used the office in the carriage house to run his internet-based recruiting business.

This home is 2,700 square feet and has 4 bedrooms and 2.5 baths. In July 2002, it was on the market for \$3.6 million but was subsequently taken off-market. last sold in 2011 for \$1.5 million and is estimated to be worth \$2.8 million.

It is still a mystery to this writer as to who owns the home now and whether it is occupied on a full-time basis.

Sources:

<https://www.santacruzsentinel.com/>

<http://beachlow8.blogspot.com/2009/05/palmtag-muzzio-bowen-mansion.html>

## Rumors...

On more than one occassion, it has been rumored that Tom Cruise owned this home at one time; but this has never been confirmed.



# A BIRD'S LIFE

No doubt you've heard mockingbirds atop your chimney or your neighbor's. This year, they seem particularly happy in our community.

Here are some facts about these birds:



- Mockingbirds are protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. It is illegal to interfere with wild and nesting birds.
- Mockingbirds are attracted to forest edges, parks, small trees, freshly-cut lawns and to the tops of utility poles in suburban areas. They often nest in dense, low shrubs.
- Mockingbirds may behave aggressively toward some species of birds, such as crows and hawks.
- Predation may occur from squirrels and snakes. The most common threat to wild and nesting birds, however, are ordinary house cats.
- Studies have shown that mockingbirds have the capacity to recognize individuals. They are capable of distinguishing between people and pets they view as threats and those they do not. Dive-bomb attacks by mockingbirds are most likely to occur during nesting season, which may begin as early as March and extend as late as August.
- Mockingbirds in search of a mate may sing night and day. If a lonely male mockingbird is causing you to lose sleep on a spring or summer night, make use of earplugs and/or a white-noise or other type of sound machine. You can also pray that this mockingbird fails to attract a mate because then he will abandon the territory.
- Mockingbirds do not flock. A single individual or mated pair may occupy a 1- to 2-acre territory, and that territory may shift in the fall/winter versus the spring/summer.

**FUNFACTS:** The song, "Listen to the Mockingbird," was written in 1855 by a Philadelphia songwriter named Septimus Winner under the pseudonym "Alice Hawthorne." He was inspired by the whistling of a street musician. The music was written by Richard Milburn. It relates the story of a singer dreaming of his sweetheart--now dead and buried--and a mockingbird whose song the couple once enjoyed, now singing over her grave. However, the melody is moderately lively.

The ballad became one of the most popular songs of the nineteenth century and sold millions of copies of sheet music. It was sung (and whistled) throughout the United States and parts of Europe. It was popular during the American Civil War and was used as marching music. Abraham Lincoln was especially fond of it, saying, "It is as sincere as the laughter of a little girl at play."

## Listen to the Mockingbird - lyrics:

I'm dreaming now of Hallie, sweet Hallie, sweet Hallie  
I'm dreaming now of Hallie, for the thought of her is one  
that never dies  
She's sleeping in the valley, the valley, the valley  
She's sleeping in the valley, and the mockingbird  
shining where she lies

**Listen to the mockingbird, listen to the mockingbird  
The mockingbird is singing o'er her grave  
Listen to the mockingbird, listen to the mockingbird  
Still singing where the weeping willows wave\***

Ah well I yet can remember, I remember, I remember  
Ah well I yet can remember, when we gathered in the  
cotton side by side  
'Twas in the mild mid-September, in September, in  
September  
'Twas in the mild mid-September, and the mockingbird  
was singing far and wide

## **\* Refrain**

When charms of spring are awoken, are awoken, are  
awaken  
When charms of spring are awoken and the  
mockingbird is singing on the bough  
I feel like one so forsaken, so forsaken, so forsaken  
I feel like one so forsaken, since my Hallie is no longer  
with me now

## **\* Refrain**



# HELPFUL INFORMATION

## Cañon del Sol Community Website

[www.canondelsol.com](http://www.canondelsol.com)

username: cds | password: surfandsun

## CDS Board of Directors

President	Bob Carpenter
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## CDS Property Management Company

Anderson & Company, Inc.

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831.688.1090 | [general@acomgt.com](mailto:general@acomgt.com)

## CDS Property Manager

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## First Alarm Security - Patrol Division

831.684.1111

## Police/Sheriff - Non-emergency

831.471.1121

## CalFire - Be Ready

[www.readyforwildfire.org/prepare-for-wildfire](http://www.readyforwildfire.org/prepare-for-wildfire)

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