



## PACIFIC GROVE WEEKLY SUMMARY

March 4, 2016

### EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Laurel O'Halloran, Associate Planner within the City's Community & Economic Development Department, was awarded Employee of the Year by the Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce at an intimate ceremony staged at Passion Fish restaurant on Thursday evening, March 3rd. On hand to recognize Laurel's achievement were Members of the City Council, Planning Commission, Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, City staff and a great representation from Laurel's family (who were justifiably proud of Laurel!). Mark Brodeur, Director of the City's Community & Economic Development Department, applauded Laurel's work ethic and exemplary customer service skills during the ceremony. Congratulations from all of us, Laurel!



### CITY COUNCIL

Major actions taken by the Council at its regular meeting on March 2, 2016, include:

- ❖ Received a report from Senior Consultant Dave Morgan of Ralph Andersen & Associates regarding the City Manager Recruitment and announced first round interviews with six applicants would take place on March 22, 2016.
- ❖ Received the Economic Development Commission's Mid-Year Status Report.
- ❖ Approved Mr. Tom Lane to the Architectural Review Board.
- ❖ Authorized a letter opposing SB 876 (Liu), regarding proposed state preemption of the local enforcement of ordinances.
- ❖ Approved findings, denied the appeals and approved UP 15-443 and UP 15-444 related to the Sea Breeze Lodge and Inn, together with staff-recommended conditions in accord with resolutions.
- ❖ Allocated 0.300 AF in the Commercial Category for three new motel units located at 1100 Lighthouse Avenue, Seabreeze Inn.
- ❖ Authorized the City Manager to execute PSA with Kimley-Horn Associates to prepare an EIR for ATC / Project Bella, Curtis Williams to provide project management services on the EIR and special studies for Project Bella, and EMC Planning Group to assist staff and collaborate with Kimley-Horn by authoring and performing specialized administrative, planning, fiscal, legal and environmental services for Project Bella.

- ❖ Received a report on the City Recreation Department programs and facility rentals and provided guidance on the cost recovery and fee increases to be implemented next fiscal year.
- ❖ Approved a resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Wallace Group for the engineering design for Urban Runoff Diversion – Phase 4 Project.
- ❖ Authorized the City Manager to draft a letter to TAMC to dedicate Pacific Grove-designated Regional Surface Transportation Program Funds for a regional financial contribution effort towards construction of the Highway 68 Roundabout Project.

The agenda reports and supporting documents for all of these actions are on the City’s website, at <http://www.cityofpacificgrove.org/about-city/city-council>. Details of the actions taken will also be available, upon completion and adoption of the meeting minutes, which will also be posted on the website.

### **PLANNING COMMISSION**

Major actions taken by the Commission at its regular meeting on March 3, 2016, include:

- ❖ Endorsed the most recent version of the Short Term Vacation Rental Ordinance.
- ❖ Approved the Housing Element.
- ❖ Approved a conditional use permit for protective netting to be installed at the golf course pursuant to a court order.

### **CITY CLERK**

**Ethics Training for all Board/Commission/Staff members.** Our City Attorney and his team will host AB 1234 Ethics Training Workshops in the PG Police Department Training Room located at 580 Pine Ave Pacific Grove, CA 93950. California law, sometimes referred to as “AB 1234, ” requires local officials to biennially receive training on public service ethics laws and principles. The purpose of this training is to alert local officials to the extensive array of laws that apply to public service, as well as the unique ethical obligations public servants have. The next workshop will be held March 22, 2016 from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. If you are interested in attending please RSVP with Sandra Kandell, [cityclerk@cityofpacificgrove.org](mailto:cityclerk@cityofpacificgrove.org). If you cannot attend, please be advised that the FPPC AB1234 training course is available online by visiting <http://oag.ca.gov/ethics/course>.

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**Apartment Fire and Kind Services.** On Saturday, February 27, 2016, Monterey Fire Department responded to a reported structure fire at 215 Montecito Street, where smoke was coming from a two-story apartment complex. The cause of the fire is still under investigation. Tenants of three apartments had to be relocated to a nearby hotel with help from Red Cross. An additional human side of this incident involves the loss of a pet snake, which was traumatic to two children who were evacuated in the fire. Captain Webb invited the family to the station and Firefighter Koeman helped the children build a cross for their snake. A funeral and burial for the snake were held in an old garden behind Station 3.

**Multi-Agency Fire Boat Training.** On Saturday, February 27, 2016, Monterey Fire Department Boat crew personnel trained in a joint effort with the following agencies: Santa Cruz Fire Department, Santa Cruz Harbor Patrol, U.S. Coast Guard Auxillary, Santa Cruz Fire Marine Rescue, and Santa Cruz Wharf Maintenance personnel. The purpose of the mission was for

Monterey Fire Department personnel to become more familiar with the Santa Cruz Coastline, Municipal Wharf and Harbor areas for fire suppression and water rescue as part of an auto-aid response in the event of a wharf fire. The Santa Cruz wharf is the longest pier on the west coast at 2,745 feet. It is important to ensure that proper training and coordination efforts are practiced routinely so that all agencies are prepared in the event of a real emergency.



## **LAW/POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Weekly Highlights.** Attached you will find Interim Chief Belcher's Weekly Police Report for the week of February 26, 2016 to March 3, 2016, with the Year-to-Date Monthly Highlights.

**Pacific Grove Police Department 2015 Employees of the Year.** Corporal Ami Lonsinger and Police Services Technician Michaela Basanese have been named PGPD's 2015 Employees of the Year! See attached press releases on their big accomplishments. We are so proud!

**Criminal Investigation Update.** On March 1, 2016 Ilagene Quaglia was sentenced to 180 days in Monterey County Jail for felony financial elder abuse crimes. Upon receiving a call for service from a citizen who noticed financial statement irregularities, Pacific Grove Police Corporal Ami Lonsinger opened a financial elder abuse investigation. Quaglia was a long time caretaker for an 82 year old Pacific Grove victim and over the course of three years skimmed rental checks, wrote checks to herself, and more. Cpl. Lonsinger interviewed tenants, as well as collected receipts, statements, checks, and other documentation to prove Quaglia's guilt. Good job Cpl. Lonsinger!

## **LIBRARY**

**World Book Online.** Attention little gamers out there, this one's for you! Challenge yourself and family to a few rounds of Name That Scientist! Then move on to Honk, Beep, Vroom and Name That Baby Animal. Time yourself on how fast you can put the Grand Canyon puzzle together. Awesome! To round out the fun there are games of matching, sorting and multiple

choice. Like crossword puzzles? There are some of those too! This resource is available online (and at the library) to Pacific Grove library-card holders. From the homepage, click EXPLORE on the menu bar; click INFORMATION & RESEARCH; then click GENERAL REFERENCE; WORLD BOOK ONLINE. Click on the Kids tab and away you go. Have fun! If you need help, please call or stop by the library and a reference librarian will be happy to assist you. We're up for the challenge. You can reach us at 831- 648-5762.

## MUSEUM

**Whales.** Join comparative physiologist Jeremy Goldbogen on Sunday, March 13th, at 3 p.m. to learn about lunge-filter feeding and how baleen whales do it. Goldbogen's lecture will present anatomical and behavioral data obtained from suction-cup tags that help researchers understand how the largest vertebrates ever can subsist on the smallest food. Cost is \$5 and free for Museum members. <http://www.pgmuseum.org/museum-events/2016/3/13/lecture-the-natural-history-of-the-ultimate-mouthful-lunge-filter-feeding-in-baleen-whales>

**Science Saturday.** Come see what the buzz is all about for Science Saturday: Bees, Wasps, Honey & Hives on Saturday, March 26 beginning at 11 a.m. Examine bee stingers and wasp nests, taste honey made from different California wildflowers, create a beeswax candle to take home, and play games about pollination. Join us for a day of fun, science, & bees! Admission to the Museum is free for everyone on Science Saturdays! <http://www.pgmuseum.org/museum-events/2016/3/26/science-saturday-bees-wasps-honey-and-hives>



## PUBLIC WORKS

**Central Avenue.** This week Public Works has been working with the contractor and has just about finalized the Central Avenue project. This project is looking very good and we have already seen a tremendous slowdown of traffic due to the traffic calming techniques. We will finish up the plantings and the remaining work that needs to occur on the planters in the next week or two, weather permitting, and then the project will be temporarily on hold until we can

get the street slurry crew out there and the markings crew. These activities need to occur when we have warmer dry weather.





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**Weekly Highlights**

**February 26, 2016 to March 3, 2016**

Traffic Accidents	3
Arrests	2
Written Reports	52
Citations Issued	31
Parking Citations	19
Field Interviews	25

**2016 Monthly Highlights**

Activity	Jan	Feb*	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	2016 YTD	2015 YTD	2015 Total
Traffic Accidents	14	17	1										32	38	179
Arrests	10	11	1										22	17	136
Written Reports	225	213	22										460	494	2,820
Citations Issued	120	111	17										248	221	978
Parking Citations	143	124	12										279	716	3,736
Field Interviews	128	86	14										228	47	322

**2016 Crime Comparison**

Crime Type	Jan	Feb*	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	2016 YTD	2015 YTD	2015 Total
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rape	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Robbery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4
Assault - Aggravated	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	7
Assault - Simple	3	6	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	9	58
Burglary	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	10	52
Larceny	15	13	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31	47	230
Auto Theft	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	18
Domestic Violence	2	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	12	46
Arson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Please Note: Monthly Highlights & Crime Comparison Tables are Updated Upon Submission of Monthly Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) to the Department of Justice (DOJ) and Written Reports include Traffic Accidents.

\*Stats through weekly reporting period.



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***For Immediate Release***

**March 1, 2016**

**The City of Pacific Grove Announces  
2015 Police Officer of the Year:  
Corporal Ami Lonsinger**

The Pacific Grove Police Department is pleased to announce that Corporal Ami Lonsinger has been selected as the 2015 Police Officer of the Year.

Corporal Lonsinger has been with the Pacific Grove Police Department since July of 2003. Since her appointment she has been a valuable asset to the Department in many ways. Corporal Lonsinger has been instrumental in solving a number of crimes over this past year including a long time missing person's case. She coordinated the organization of the Department's evidence room and helped train all of the newly hired Police Services Technicians in the Department.

While with the Department she has served in the Investigations Section as a detective and as an Acting Sergeant in the Patrol Section. She currently serves as a Field Training Officer training new police officer recruits, is a DARE Officer and the Departments Less Lethal Taser Instructor. She is active both in the Department and the Community. She currently serves as the Police Officers Association Vice President.

Prior to working for the City of Pacific Grove, Corporal Lonsinger was a Probation Officer for the county of Monterey for approximately three years.

The residents of Pacific Grove are fortunate to have a dedicated employee such as Corporal Lonsinger serving our community.

*Steve Belcher*

Interim Chief of Police



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***For Immediate Release***

**March 1, 2016**

**The City of Pacific Grove Announces  
2015 Police Support Services Employee of the Year:  
Police Services Technician Michaela Basanese**

The Pacific Grove Police Department is pleased to announce Police Services Technician (PST) Michaela Basanese has been selected as the 2015 Police Support Services Employee of the Year.

PST Basanese has been with the Pacific Grove Police Department since November 2014. PST Basanese prior experience includes assisting the Hollister Police Department Property and Evidence Technician, and so upon completion of the PST training program, became Pacific Grove Police Department's point person for Property and Evidence management.

This is a huge responsibility and she has done a phenomenal job purging, releasing, and organizing thousands of items stored in the Police Department's Property and Evidence Rooms. In addition, PST Basanese assisted with clearing out years of outdated department equipment and setting up a proper evidence packaging area for police officers to use. With her efforts, she received a written commendation in working with staff to purge close to half of the stored items, which is a major accomplishment.

In addition to her success with Property and Evidence management, she is a great team player, always maintains an upbeat and positive attitude, and desire to help her co-workers or inquiring citizens at a moment's notice. PST Basanese is a fine representative of the Pacific Grove Police Department and we are proud to call her one of our own.

*Steve Belcher*

Interim Chief of Police

# Pacific Grove Police Department

580 Pine Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950



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Contact: Commander Lakind

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## *For Immediate Release*

RL 2/21/2016

\*\*\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\*\*\*

On January 27, 2016 at 1820 hours, officers from the Pacific Grove Police Department were dispatched to an auto-pedestrian accident. The collision occurred at the intersection of Pine Ave. and Forest Ave. The Monterey Fire Department and the California Highway Patrol responded to the scene to assist. The pedestrian was transported by American Medical Response Ambulance service.

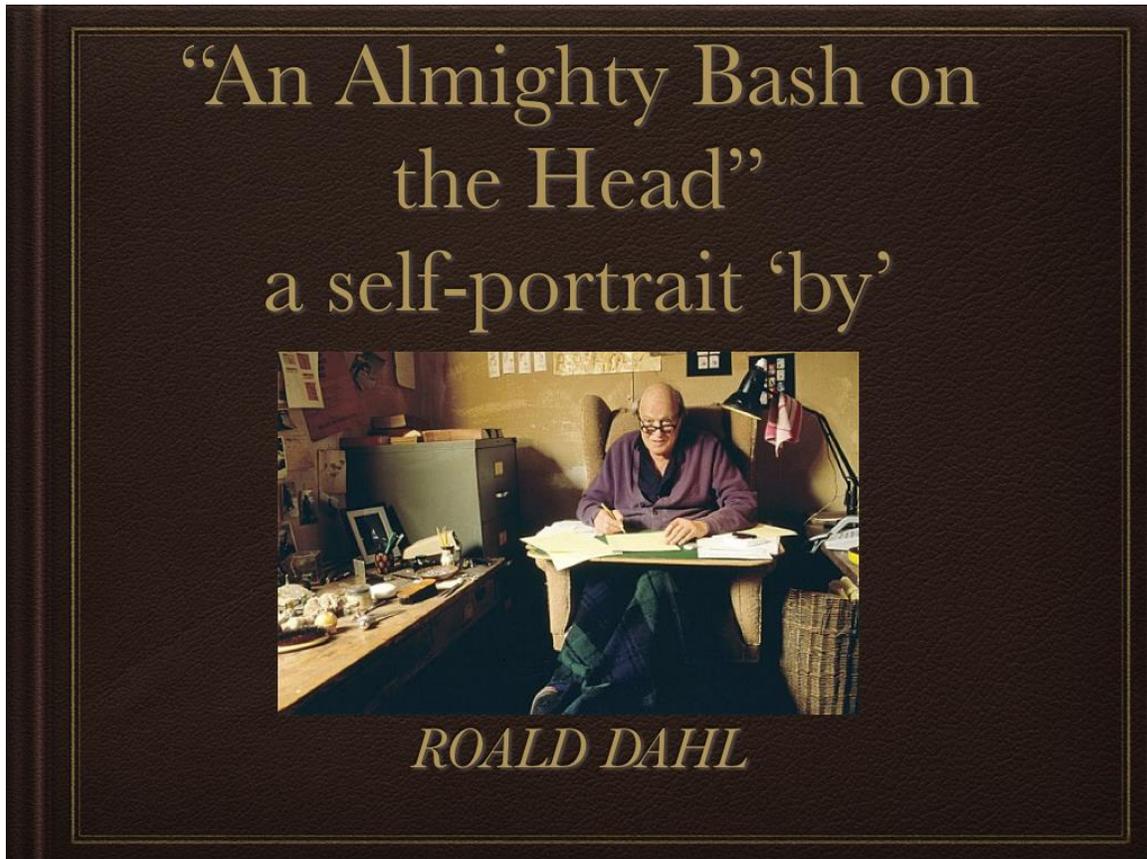
On January 29, 2016, the pedestrian, Linda Settnek 67 years of age passed away from her injuries. Mrs. Settnek was a resident of Pacific Grove.

An investigation was completed by the Pacific Grove Police Department, with assistance from the California Highway Patrol. It was determined that the pedestrian was found at fault for walking against the traffic signal. The driver of the car, 67 year old male from Sunland Ca. cooperated with the investigation. Alcohol was not a factor in this fatality and there were no violations on the part of the driver.

# 1916 - ROALD DAHL CENTENNIAL – 2016

Howard Burnham creates a characterization of the author **Roald Dahl**, looking back on his eventful life on the centennial of his birth in 1916.

Roald Dahl was an English public school misfit of Norwegian ancestry, a WWII fighter pilot and a Washington DC secret agent. He was also a Walt Disney collaborator, husband of Patricia Neal and finally best-selling writer.



Presented by Howard Burnham

**(This Cultural Experience is sponsored by the Pacific Grove Recreation Department)**

**At the LITTLE HOUSE in Jewel Park,**

**(148 Grand Ave., Pacific Grove)**

**Saturday, March 12, at 5:30 pm**

**\$10 at the door - seating is limited!**

# PACIFIC GROVE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

## Annual Membership Luncheon

Friday, March 11 • 11:45 am to 1:15 pm • The Inn at Spanish Bay

FEATURED SPEAKER:



General Wesley K. Clark (ret)

### AWARD OF EXCELLENCE WINNERS



**BEST RESTAURANT:  
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SUNSET INN**

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**BEST MARKET:  
TRADER JOE'S**

Duane Silveira, Manager



**BEST MEDICAL SERVICE:  
DR. STEVEN N. MACDONALD  
CHIROPRACTOR**  
Steve MacDonald, D.C.



**BEST MANAGEMENT TEAM:  
COURSECO GOLF MANAGEMENT**  
Lance Merrihew, Vice President of Sales  
and Marketing

Lunch Menu: Caesar Salad • Choice of Filet Mignon or Vegetable Lasagna

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Filet Mignon  Vegetable Lasagna

Filet Mignon  Vegetable Lasagna

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# PUBLIC MEETINGS PROJECT BELLA

*American Tin Cannery Hotel Project*

Meet & Greet and Q&A with Domaine Hospitality Team



Rooftop Dining

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Tuesday, March 22, 2016 from 1:30 - 3:45 pm  
Beach House Restaurant - 620 Lighthouse Avenue  
Complimentary appetizers and refreshments

Thursday, March 24, 2016 from 5:00 - 7:00 pm  
Pacific Grove Masonic Lodge #331 - 680 Central Ave  
Complimentary desserts and refreshments



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# PACIFIC GROVE CANDIDATES' FORUM

Wednesday, March 23, 2016 from 5:30 - 8:00 pm

at the

Pacific Grove Community Center, 515 Junipero Avenue

Facilitated by

Monterey County League of Women Voters

## MONTEREY COUNTY DISTRICT 5 SUPERVISOR CANDIDATES



Mary Adams



Dave Potter  
Incumbent

## CALIFORNIA CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 20 CANDIDATES



Casey Lucius



Jimmy Panetta

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PACIFIC GROVE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 59TH ANNUAL

# Good Old Days

April 9 & 10, 2016  
Saturday and Sunday  
Downtown Pacific Grove

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Quilt Show • Classic Car Display • Fireman Challenge • Mustache Competition

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