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Scholarship and Grant Awards Luncheon at Los Laureles Lodge June 5th

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"And the Crowd Roared"—70th Fashion Show



Madame of Ceremonies, Susan McFarland, plans a live auction scenario with "Chef" Doug Toby for overthe-top results. Lots of bidders; lots of lots of energy, lots of funds for the scholarships and community allocations.

THE script was straight from Broadway, rocking out of the 40s with a call to "West Side Story"—the boyz in the 'hood, tough guys playing along with Leonard Bernstein's score and toe-tapping rhythm. That demo gave way to a suave 50s colligate look with accoutrements provided by Pac Rep Theater. The male fantasy, was provided by Men's Warehouse.

The cavalcade took place at the 70th Anniversary celebration of the Carmel Valley Women's Club Fashion Show just a few weeks ago at the Hyatt Monterey Hilton. This was the first time at a new location in many a moon, and the Fashion show staff had a full slate dealing with the changes. But smooth sailing prevailed, thanks to the steering committee led by chair Stephanie Byrne and her committee members,

Jackie Lynch, Eileen Topete, Ann Flood, Peggy Gill Dickson and June Dawson.

Auctioneer Doug Toby downloaded a spectacular bunch of live auction items—a week in Maui, a custom catered dinner for 8 by Chef Jerome Viel, a New York respite for two near Central Park, and a raffle bonanza at Bernardus Lodge—and brought in exceptional results, with items selling more than twice!

Meanwhile, his cohort, Susan McFarland, filled the nuggets in

between with general info on the fashion show and its history, intermingled with her own brand of wry wit.

The twelve models (including five handsome dudes) strode the runway with style and panache. Bold, contemporary and flashy were the bywords for Men's Warehouse clothiers, while the damsels brought color, charm and a bit of je ne sais quoi. flashy fifties brought a laugh, as did the hippy sixties. Many thanks to ladies boutiques, White House/Black Market, Chico's, Déjà Vu Couture, Sylvie, J.McLaughlin and, of course, Pac Rep.

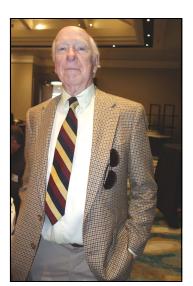
Silent auction items were over the top—and fairly toppling over, there were so many.

Totals for both: Live auction brought in around \$7,000, while the silent auction delivered over \$12,000. More to come with the grand total when all the decimal points are counted and all the dollar signs are cleared. All hands at work say it as a great 70th anniversary celebration.

All hands were on hand to help, including (from left) Carmel Magazine photographer Kelli Uldall and Doug Toby, Susan McFarland and daughter Heather McFadden.



Fashion Show, (Contd:)



More pix tucked away throughout these pages.























(Top Row, from left) Anita Dunsay, Eileen Topete; (right) Mary Chamberlin, Joan Peak; (row 2) Gene McFarland; (center) Bonnie Reiman, Laura Dost; (right) Caroline Haskell, Cynthia Rivera; (3rd row, left) joolz, (center) Les Terry and raffle tix; (right) Jackie Lynch, Laura Pasten; (row 4, left) Bud and Cecile Biery; (far right) Whiz Lindsey, Paula Macnab, Marge Peterson; (row 5, left) wine, wine, wine; (center) Lydia Williams, Jessica Viel; (right) Clarice Dunbar, Bashar and Shatha Sneeh.

American Author Discusses Culture of the Far East at CV Lunch



NATIONALLY recognized author Jana McBurney-Lin addresses issues of the Far East, which were the subjects of several of her award-winning books, at the upcoming CVWC luncheon, Wednesday, April 1st, at Roux Restaurant in Carmel Valley Village, beginning at 11:30 a.m.

McBurney-Lin, a native from Illinois, has spent fifteen years of her life in Asia, writing for National Public Radio, and Writer's Digest, and local magazines such as Islands, Singapore Straits, Japan Times. She met her husband, a native of Southern China, in Tokyo and that prompted her to begin her embrace of Japanese life which resulted in her critically acclaimed first novel, "My Half of the Sky, first published in 2006.

McBurney-Lin has written for media in seven countries and is a former President of the Southbay Chapter of the U.S. China People's Friendship Association. Two of her novels, "My Half of the Sky" and "Blossoms and Bayonets," have won awards, and the first was a selection of the Forbes Book Club.

One critic hailed "My Half of the Sky" as a "beautiful, witty, touching debut novel." Another calls it "a complex and mesmerizingly original tale."

You can learn all about her and a good deal about Sino-Chinese relationships this coming Wednesday, May 1st. **Roux Res**- taurant is the place, and the deadline to sign up has been expanded to Monday, 12 noon.

The luncheon is an expansion of Roux' famous family-style banquet—something for everyone, with a delicious classic custom created dessert for followers of the Roux style. Don't miss out on this great dining experience and speaker. Lunch price for members, \$45, nonmembers, \$50.

If HERE'S ALL YOU NEED TO DO:

• Contact our own Penny Wood at 624-3081, or you can e-mail her, at pennyw45@yahoo.com and give her the number of people in your party. If you can't mail, tell Penny you'll bring your check made payable to CVWC Foundation, with you.

But you must do it before this Monday!

Best bet: call Penny now. There are no walk-ins at any of our luncheons.



A Message From Our President

Dear Members,

As we come to the almost close of this year's activities, I want to thank all of you for supporting our CVWC luncheons and events. You are the catalyst for what makes this club so special. Hugs to all!!!!

I invite all of you to attend the Awards luncheon in June where the Foundation makes the presentations to all of

the scholarship and community allocations recipients. This is one of the most rewarding luncheons of the year as you will get to meet and hear from everyone who is benefiting from all the club's fund-raising efforts during the year. Come and meet some of the parents whose children you are acknowledging and hear from the nonprofits where we are making a difference.

Kudo's and appreciation to all on the Fashion Show Committee for giving us a wonderful experience!!! Innovative and fun!!!

Look for Pat Gray's new events which will be based on what you desire to do in groups. For instance, you can get your friends together for a day at the movies and lunch that Pat will put together and offer....so look for her e-

mails and online signups.

Susan Britton and Pinkie Terry will be building a new event featuring very unusual cookbook....not sure what they are cooking but it will be something to tempt everyone's palate.

Wishing you all the very best,

Judy

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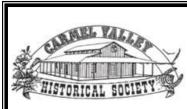
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...And even more pix! It was heartening to see so many gentlemen at the event. It seems we have an appreciative audience of men! All positive.

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From left, Patricia O'Keefe, visitors Michelle Annereau and Thomas Brousek, Dennis and Heather McFadden



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'Platinum" Sponsorship Brings in Fashion Bucks

THIS year, the Fashion Show organizers developed new strategies in seeking additional funding for the event, and, more importantly, the foundation.

The following persons have generously contributed dollars to the Fashion Show, thus guaranteeing a positive cash influx to this year's memorable event:

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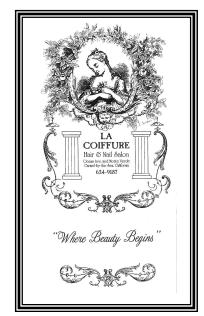
Pinkie and Les Terry—Los Laureles Lodge

Renee Wagner

Many thanks to these donors who help our foundation support community nonprofits, education scholarships and emergency relief funds. "Giving back never goes out of style," says Fashion sponsorship and Marketing committee member Peggy Dickson.



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Live Auction Antics Add Fun, Frivolity and Funds to Fashion Show

THERE'S nothing like a good, clean confrontation to make the party more lively. And that's what happened during the all-star dust-up at the live auction portion of the fashion show.

Auctioneer Doug Toby, toque firmly planted on his head, led the chase beginning with the Hawaiian trip, which was generously donated by Pat and Alex Gray, a delightful holiday venture which they have offered to members for several past fashion shows. It was quickly gobbled up by a CVWC member.

Next, Chef Toby proved his bargaining skills in the matter of a dinner for eight, donated by Jerome and Jessica Viel, owners of Carmel Valley Market. It sold not once, not twice, but three times in a going, going, gone atmosphere. Jerome had kindly offered to include a second dinner, if popularity demanded it. The first was bought by a friend of Jessica's, Lydia Williams. At the same table another group who had been in the original bidding, asked for a second dinner. Jessica placed a call to husband Jerome, who wasn't present, and he granted it. Auctioneer Toby quickly sold it. Following the auction, a third group of CV members, led by June Dawson, asked for and bought the final dinner for eight.

The last event, a spectacular New York vacation condo, was donated by popular demand once more by Barry Harrow and Ann Flood. Restaurant owner Bashar Sneeh began the bid and was quickly outbid by his wife. The two continued to bid against one another, raising the ante, until one of them gave in. Needless to say, they'll both be going to New York. Post show, Barry and Ann offered a second three-night stay. Live auctions have never been more popular, and they provide a great way to bring in much needed funding.



Chef / auctioneer Toby, in action.



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Last Word from the Fashion Show!



By Ann Flood. CVWC 70th **Fashion** Show Coordina-

"THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES"

BOB Hope may have sung it best, but we mean it from the bottom of our hearts! As those of you who were lucky enough to be at the Fashion Show know, we had a blast! Yes, and a blast from the past, too. I have heard comments that it was one of the best vet. First of all, the weather couldn't have been lovelier, and the venue was exceptional.

We had a smorgasbord of silent auction items, gathered up and laid out in an all-new format for easier bidding and buying, thanks to Eileen Topete and crew. The dining room was delightful and the meals were delicious. And then the Fashion Show itself, was a real hoot! Did we really wear that? Oh, I loved that outfit! Smiles and laughs and memories

galore! From the greasers in West Side Story to the hippie era of flower power to the glamour of Jackie Kennedy look-alikes, and finally to our current trends, we had it all.

Thanks are extended to our wonderful stores and our fabulous models who pulled it all together for us, and to the DJ who knew just when to play the right tune. And we can't give enough gratitude for the high quality of the live auction items. It was a truly hilarious scene to have a happily married couple bidding against each other for one of them. Fortunately, one of them won it!

Best of all, we raised a substantial amount of money for our charitable causes, thanks to the generosity of our Club members and guests. We truly do appreciate all the support we have from our members who contributed their time, energy, and money. So as we add one more successful endeavor to the history books, we want to say to all of you, THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES!!



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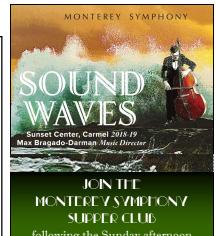
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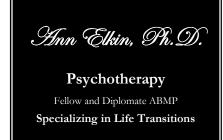
PAT Gray has highlighted data from the web for the past

Over the last 30 days, website visits have been increasing, by over 30 percent. Users have signed in from California and other states: Virginia, Texas, North Carolina, Arizona, Iowa, Kansas, New York, Oregon and Wyoming. Who do you know

in Wyoming? Session durations on the web last on average over 4 minutes.

In our own home state, the highest number of visits is from Monterey, with Carmel coming in second, and San Francisco in third place.

We also had hits from other countries. Analyses to follow.



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