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Barretts seek judgement vacating helicopter ordinance



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Calistoga winemakers Bo and Heidi Barrett are challenging a voter-approved ordinance that restricts use of helicopters in the county.

By Kim Beltran
Tribune Editor

Renowned winemakers Bo and Heidi Barrett say a new voter-approved county ordinance restricting the use of helicopters for agricultural activities violates their due process under the U.S. and California Constitutions, and deprives them of their vested rights to continue using the aircraft in their vineyard management operations.

The couple, who live in Calistoga, filed petitions Oct. 5 in both Napa Superior Court

and U.S. District Court seeking to have certain provisions of Ordinance No. 2018-002 declared unlawful and void for “vagueness.”

The lawsuit names as defendants the County of Napa and the Napa County Board of Supervisors, which met Oct. 9 with legal counsel in closed session. As of Wednesday, the county had yet to respond to the Barrett filing.

Contacted in Calistoga Wednesday night, Bo Barrett had no comment other than to say, “It’s all about the right to farm,” referring to another

county ordinance that guarantees vineyard owners the right to conduct agricultural-related activities even when surrounding conditions change.

The Barretts are listed as plaintiffs in the suit, along with Helicopters for Agriculture, a nonprofit association committed to the removal of state and local regulatory barriers to the use of helicopters for agricultural operations, including vineyard and farm management. Bo Barrett is president of the organization.

“The Ordinance’s attempt to regulate helicopter opera-

tions (including limitations on the personnel who may occupy an aircraft and its manner of operation) are preempted by federal law,” San Francisco attorneys Geoffrey Robinson and Christopher Chou wrote in their clients’ court filing.

“The provisions of the Ordinance (the violation of which carries criminal penalties) are also insufficiently precise to give fair notice of what is proscribed, in violation of the due process clauses of the Four-

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A haunting they did go



PHOTO BY CLARK JAMES MISHLER

Max Gray and his parents act out characters from “Where the Wild Things Are” as the whole community participates in the annual Halloween parade on Lincoln Avenue in downtown Calistoga.



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Six-year-old cowboy Ryley MacLeod enjoys a hotdog at the Calistoga Inn’s annual Halloween town social before participating in the annual Halloween parade down Lincoln Avenue.

Planners OK income level rent increase

■ Commission to consider height variance for Buster’s Barbecue arbor Nov. 14

By Claudia Aceves
Tribune Reporter

The Calistoga Planning Commission at its Oct. 24 meeting approved a request allowing the owners of Garnett Creek Apartments to increase the minimum income levels required to live in the apartments.

The Garnett Creek Apartments, which are part of Embrace Bed and Breakfast, are located behind the inn at 1139 Lincoln Ave.

Four of the eight one-bedroom units are restricted affordable housing units.

Embrace owners Chris Johansen and Brent Riedberger applied to

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Grateful Hearts art party for first responders Sunday

By Kim Beltran
Tribune Editor

First responders and the departments for which they work will be honored this Sunday for their heroic efforts during the October 2017 wildfire siege that also caused the evacuation of the entire town of Calistoga.

Headed up by local artist Karen Lynn Ingalls and members of the Calistoga Art Center, the Grateful Hearts Arts Show will take place at the Napa County Fairgrounds Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m.

“We are grateful for all the people and organizations who helped protect Calistoga and Calistogans from last year’s fires, and who helped us get back on our feet afterward,” Ingalls said. “Many of them are out there now, working so hard

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PHOTO BY TERESITA NUNO

Some of the artists who produced paintings for the Grateful Hearts Art Show are, back row, left to right, Julie Kaplan, Penny Worsham, Sharon Kennedy, Karen Lynn Ingalls, Chloe Hermann, Michelle Hickman, Victoria Hickman, Joan

Temple and Laurie Ballentine. In front are Maya Gutierrez Arriaga and Alexander Hickman. More than 30 paintings will be on display Sunday during a special showing honoring first responders who helped during the October 2017 wildfires.

Senior PG&E rep at meeting Nov. 7

From Tribune Staff

A senior representative from PG&E will attend a community meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 7, to discuss and answer questions about the Public Safety Power Shutoff in and around Calistoga on Oct. 14.

The utility company shut down electricity in several counties that day when weather and wind conditions were forecast to be conducive to wildfire activity. Some

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