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Upcoming Events

May 12 – [Friday night dinner at Rancho Cielo](#)

May 16 – [Job Fair/Career Day for Rancho Cielo](#)

May 31st – [Employee Appreciation Day](#)

[MY Monterey seminars](#)

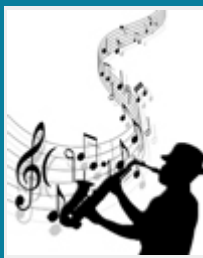
Membership Lunches - June 14, August 8, October 10 and December 12

In case you missed Monterey Herald "Between the Sheets" (Published the first Saturday of Each Month).

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If you would like to participate on any one of our Committees please contact Bonnie Adams

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Cabaret on the Bay Annual Dinner & Awards Celebration! Event host, Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa, was the setting for our cabaret inspired evening. A lively crowd was greeted with a glass of Folktale sparkling wine before heading to mingle among the awesome silent auction items while sipping wine from A Taste of Monterey and enjoying Chopin Vodka Martini's and Maker's Mark 46 Manhattan's. The doors opened to a colorful and fun themed ballroom, compliments of Illusions of Grandeur, and to Steve Lucky & the Rumba Bums. Teddy Balestreri was welcomed as the 2017 Chair of MCHA and we were proud to honor our 2016 Hospitality Professional of the Year, Bob Cowdrey, Past General Manager of the Monterey Conference Center. The dinner wines, donated by Wrath Wines, McIntyre Vineyards, Bernardus Winery and Paraiso Vineyards were a perfect complement to wonderful menu created by Chef James Waller. After dinner, 100 [event sponsors](#) and their guests were invited to the speak easy and treated to dancing and VIP cocktails including Auchentoshan Single Malt Scotch, Sandeman Port and Coffee and Kahlua. The event was a success on so many levels and we could not have done it without the support of our valued members who purchased sponsorships, donated fantastic auction items, purchased raffle tickets, attended the event and bid on silent and live auction items. And of course, we had a fantastic committee headed by Ken Rauh, [A Taste of Monterey](#) – A Wine Bistro & Market and Mia Jarick, [GuestLife Magazine](#). And, a special thanks goes to the incredible staff of the Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa. Please click here for a list of sponsors. And thanks to [DMT Imaging](#) for the fantastic [photos](#).



Employee Appreciation Day: Get your teams ready for Employee Appreciation Day scheduled for May 31st at the Monterey Fairgrounds! Start practicing for the friendly competitions including bed making, bartending, bell staff, food and beverage, napkin folding, chowder cook-off...and the popular GM competition, in addition to the exciting soccer tournament! At the conclusion of the competitions we will have a barbecue for all employees and their families. Everyone in MCHA is invited to participate so mark your calendars for May 31st. [Click here for details.](#)



Big Sur North: Is open for business and welcoming guests. Visitors are able to access Big Sur and the coastline all the way down Highway One to Big Sur Ranger Station. Iconic attractions, hotels, restaurants and shops north of the Pfeiffer Canyon Bridge closure including Big Sur Village are open. Despite a challenging winter that has temporarily taken a Highway One bridge out of service, the Big Sur  experience is still available and as incredible as ever. Help support hospitality in Big Sur' stay informed and pass along ["Big Sur North Talking Points"](#).

Coalition of Peninsula Businesses: Business Coalition sees progress on CDO extension,  water supply project – but dangers ahead!!! The Coalition of Peninsula Businesses worked hard - along with representatives of Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, Monterey Peninsula Regional Water Authority –to secure a five-year extension of the State Water Resources Control Board Cease and Desist Order on our water supply. [more](#)

Ambassador Club: If you are interested in volunteering at Employee Appreciation Day, May 31st or participating on the Golf Tournament committee contact one of the committee chairs or Bonnie Adams. The Ambassador Club is a great way to get started on an MCHA Committee. You are always welcome to join this fun group. Sign-up to assist at our lunches and events to ensure members feel welcome, and connected with our Membership. Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of the month and we rotate our meetings at member restaurants.

We'd love to have you join us in the Ambassador Club, so if you'd like to visit us, feel free to contact [Vicki Tackett](#) or [Cynthia Buhl](#). Or, for a list of all Committees and Committee Chairs go to [MCHA](#).

Member Highlight: Illusions of Grandeur Imagination, ingenuity and experience to design and produce spectacular events: that is what defines Illusions of Grandeur. Heading into our thirtieth year of producing creative décor for corporate and social events, we are the trusted go-to source for all of your design needs.



Based on the Monterey Peninsula, with strong community ties, we partner with caterers, photographers, destination management companies, and entertainment agencies to create an event that is a magically transforming experience you and your guests will cherish for years to come.

Members Spotlight:

[Lee-Jagoe Architecture](#)

[Turn 12 Bar and Grill](#)

[The Maynard Group](#)

[Tehama Golf Club](#)

[Mirror Maze](#)

[Cooper's Pub & Restaurant](#)