



E-Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

[June 12](#) - Membership Lunch at the Portola Hotel & Spa

[June 13](#) - Employee Appreciation Day

[August 28](#) - Annual Golf Tournament - Sign up for a sponsorship today!

[November 7](#) - Hospitality Recognition Lunch

Membership Lunches -

- [August 14th](#)
- [October 9th](#)
- [December 11th](#)

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

- [December 2017](#)
- [January 2018](#)
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If you would like to participate on any one of our Committees please contact [Bonnie Adams](#)



**Annual Dinner:** - "World's Fair...Meet Me in Monterey" Annual Dinner & Awards Celebration! Event host, the Monterey Conference Center, was the setting for our World's Fair inspired evening. A lively crowd was greeted by Shinsho-Mugen Daiko drummers, Tesla and Monterey Touring vehicle displays and a glass of Sophia sparkling wine. Once registered, guests mingled among the awesome silent auction items while sipping wine from Carmel Valley Wine Experience, Scheid Vineyards and Cima Collina along with enjoying Beluga Vodka Martini's and Doc Pepe's. The Samurai Gypsy's offered lively entertainment. The doors opened to a fun themed ballroom, compliments of Illusions of Grandeur, and to the amazing Undercover Band. The lighting and sound were provided by Glastonbury Inc. Chris Chidlaw was welcomed as the 2018 Chair of MCHA and we were proud to honor our 2017 Hospitality Professional of the Year, Chris Shake, CEO of Chris Shake Enterprises. Also, awarded with our Lifetime Achievement award was Pierre Bain, Owner of Fandango Restaurant. The dinner wines, donated by Carmel Road Winery and Bernardus Winery, were a perfect compliment to wonderful menu created by Chef John Silva of the Monterey Marriott. 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 Kaitlin Ford of a Pocketful of Plans and her amazing committee. And, a special thanks goes to the staff of the Monterey Conference Center and the Monterey Marriott. Please [click here for a list of sponsors](#). And thanks to [DMT Imaging](#) for fantastic photos. Visit the [photo journal here](#).



**Rancho Cielo:** The MCHA Rancho Cielo committee would like to thank everyone that donated clothing gave a monetary donation or volunteered for the Clothing Drive and Mock Interview Day as well as Career Day held in May. It was a tremendous success and the students were so grateful! They left with a stronger feeling of self confidence as they enter the workforce and make positive contributions to our community. If you are interested in participating on this committee, please contact a Co-Chairs [Carol Chorbajian](#) or [Angela Hernandez](#) or [Bonnie Adams](#).

**Employee Appreciation Day:** Get your teams ready for Employee Appreciation Day scheduled for June 13 at the Monterey Fairgrounds! Start practicing for the friendly competitions including bed making, bartending, bell staff, food and beverage, napkin folding, chowder cookoff....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 June 13th. [Click for details](#)

**Government Affairs:** The following is an update from various meetings on the hottest issues that touch hospitality throughout our community. These meetings are open to the public and we encourage you to attend. We need more representation and could use your help as we continue to face some serious issues related to the future health of hospitality. The Government Affairs Committee meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month at 8:30am. If you are willing to help please contact [Bonnie Adams](#) Executive Director, or [Gary Cursio](#), Director of Government Affairs .

[more](#)

**Don't forget to vote June 5!** MCHA, the Monterey County Business PAC and the Monterey Bay Action Committee Candidates PAC have all [endorsed the following candidates:Lopez, Supervisor, District #3 Sheriff Steve Bernal](#)

Did you know your business could be fined \$25,000 for not recycling a mercury thermostat! TRC has the solution.



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**Coalition of Peninsula Businesses:** In recent months, the Coalition of Peninsula Businesses has taken strong actions to assure the Peninsula communities get an adequate water supply on schedule – **which means meeting the Cease and Desist Order milestone which is coming September 30, 2018.** [▶ more](#)



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**Ambassador Club:** If you are interested in volunteering at Employee Appreciation Day, June 13 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](#) for a list of all Committees and Committee Chairs go to [MCHA.net](#).

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**The MCHA Health & Welfare Trust.** Monterey Hospitality Benefits Group (MHBG) received a letter from United Healthcare April 30, 2018, announcing an agreement to extend all benefits programs rates from August 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018. The extension will provide an additional five months of savings for current members and new enrollees of the MCHA Trust. [▶ more](#)



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**Member Highlight:** *"Where vines meet ocean winds. Where the foothills meet the valley. Where a tranquil state of mind meets artisan style. This is Carmel Road Winery".*



## CARMEL ROAD.

Inland from Monterey's rugged coastline, yet still directly in the path of the ocean's relentless influence, Carmel Road Winery creates vibrant Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Riesling that captures the essence of this remarkable region. There's a back road that stretches from the town of Carmel by the Sea, traversing the Arroyo Seco and through scenic gaps in the Santa Lucia hills, connecting the inland growing region with the ocean. This winding trail was the inspiration for our name, our own Carmel Road.

**Remember to think local!**

### Members Spotlight:

[Pepe International](#)

[Challenge Dairy](#)

[Fleurish Floral](#)

[Old Fisherman's Grotto](#)

[Exodus Escape Room](#)

[Monterey Touring Vehicles](#)

## Have a great Summer!

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