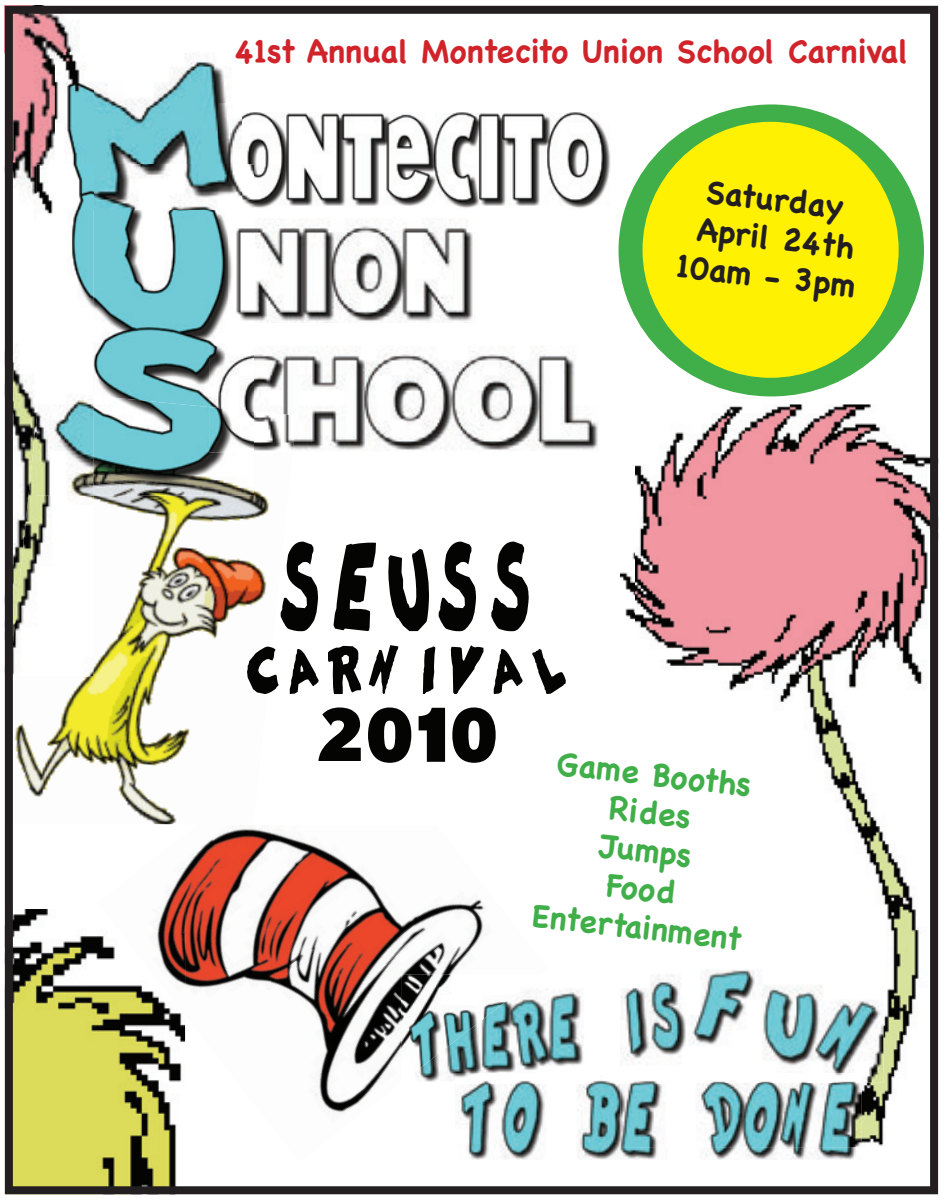

Hands on Healing Specialist

"I thought my 20 year-old cat was a goner. Not only did he have kidney disease, he reacted badly to an appetite enhancer and as a result his blood pressure spiked to 260. This in turn caused a problem with his heart. After a short visit from Gloria, my favorite companion perked up. His fur fluffed up and he looked into Gloria's eyes and followed her around. This was a surprise because I had never seen him do that before. He is back to his old wonderful ornery self. "

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son-in-law to attend the event, along with his polo team. I just can't believe it.

I'm scared to death!"

It will no doubt be one of the few occasions when the elegantly dressed ladies won't mind looking in a sari state!...

Sports Drive

With just a month of preparation, the "Sports Drive" organized by a group of enterprising Montecito teenagers, led by Santa Barbara High School student **Matt Wagonhurst**, attracted an astounding 900 under privileged children of all ages to the Boys & Girls Club at the weekend.

The sprawling gym was packed with an absolute Aladdin's cave of heaving tables piled high with sports gear and equipment, donated by the families of youngsters attending Montecito Union, Cold Spring, Marymount, Laguna Blanca, Crane and Santa Barbara Middle schools.

"We have more than 3,000 items," grinned Matt, 15, whose founding group also includes **Eddie Conk**, **Nicky von Wiesenberger**, **Mason Pereira** and **Elijah Bittleston**. "It's really unbelievable!"

One of the greatest pleasures of my visit to the event, which I revealed exclusively in this illustrious organ, was seeing the faces of the younger kids when they first saw the colorful cornucopia of equipment on offer, including $600 mountain bikes – one anonymous Montecito family donated ten! –, surf boards, basketballs, tennis rackets and everything else you can imagine.

The invitees were allowed to choose three items each and also a got a free raffle ticket to win some of the larger prizes, including bags of golf clubs.

"We'll definitely be doing this again next year," gushed a justifiably proud Matt.

With a full year to prepare for the next one, one can only imagine how much equipment, with major sports companies jumping on the bandwagon, will be on offer...

Green Living

Gay Browne, CEO of Greenopia, a publisher of guides on green living, opened the door of her charming Montecito aerie for the first "Culinary Masterpieces of Santa Barbara" event, to promote the products and wares of local vendors, billed as "a locavore's delight!"

Organized by the 40-year-old Community Environmental Council and Montecito event planner **Merryl Brown**, stands from eight local vendors, including C'est Cheese, **Jessica Foster** Confections and cookie queen **Kim Schiffer**, were dotted around the house, offering seasonal products to the 150 guests, including **Nancy Koppelman**, **Wynne Benhayon**, **Tracy Kanowski**, **Hollye Jacobs**, **Patty DeDominic** and **Kisa Heyer**.

Gay Browne, CEO of Greenopia, held "Culinary Masterpieces of Santa Barbara" at her Montecito mega manse

One vendor, **Valerie Rice** of the Montecito company, "Eat. Drink. Garden." even offered a pesto made of nasturtiums, mixed with parmesan cheese, garlic and lemon zest.

"You can pick them up anywhere," says Valerie, who started her business eight months ago, helped by her husband, **A.J.**, a wine collector. "There is an abundance of them in red, yellow and orange on the sides of roads."

One can only hope this doesn't lead to a feeding frenzy by drivers on the 101!...

Dreams Coming True

The Santa Barbara-based Dream Foundation is celebrating its 15th year and upcoming 10,000th dream with the help of loyal supporter, **Priscilla Presley**.

"It is an alignment of tens," explains **Erinn Lynch**, communications manager for the charity, which grants wishes for adults in the end stages of life.

"It is a momentous milestone."

As part of the celebrations, the foundation, founded by **Thomas Rollerson**, is aiming to receive 10,000 gifts this year, be it just $10 or more, 10,000 donated airline miles, 10 volunteer hours and other 10 themed gift options that can be found on the non-profit's website www.dreamfoundation.org.

"We have been fulfilling dreams more quickly and more efficiently," says Erinn. "We have unique partnerships with hospice organizations across the country. We haven't got to the point, knock on wood, where we are overloaded and can't meet qualified dreams."

Many of the wishes are quite basic, be it a wheelchair ramp for a person's

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