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A&L History Matters series sponsor Loren Booth (center) with A&L Ambassador Heather Sturgess (left) and Jill Lepore (photo by Grace Kathryn Photography)

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Melissa M. Pierson, Owner 1211 Coast Village Road #4 Montecito, CA 93108 Vacations@coastalhideaways.com www.coastalhideaways.com tory department in 2003 and was chair of the history and literature program a number of times between 2005 and 2014.

A two-time Pulitzer Prize nominee, three years ago she launched the Democracy Project: Arguing with American History, an undergraduate course on the history of the United States. She also teaches at Harvard Law School and is a former commissioner of the Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery.

Among the guests were Sara Miller McCune, Todd and Allyson Aldrich, Gail Arnhold, Heather Sturgess, Lou Buglioli and Natalie Orfalea, Beno and Kandy Luria-Budgor, Chris and Dori Pierson Carter, Sharon Rich, James and Judith Mitchell, and Celesta Billeci.

Surf's Up

The fact that **Prince Harry** and wife **Meghan Markle** are looking at



Belmi, Gustavo, Genesis, and Isaiah Tepecque, Belmi's Dream Coordinator from Dream Foundation Megan Higgins, as well as her care team from Hospice of Santa Barbara, and friends from the Ridley Tree Center

a 12,249 square foot \$7 million home on 1.75 acres in Malibu will come as absolutely no surprise to readers of this illustrious organ.

I have been reporting for some time the tony twosome are keen to relocate to California, where they would also be close to Meghan's mother, **Doria Ragland**, Hollywood, and Silicon Valley.

The pad in question is an eight-bedroom mansion in a securely gated community formerly owned by *Baywatch* star **David Charvet** with near neighbors including **Mel Gibson**, **Robert Downey Jr.**, **Dick Van Dyke**, and **Caitlyn Jenner**. Stay tuned...

Dream Come True

Young Santa Barbara mother of two, **Belmi Tepecque**, 22, and her family are the latest recipients of the largesse of the Dream Foundation, which has delivered more than 32,000 dreams over the past 22 years.

The popular organization is providing Belmi's final dream of a trip to Maui with her husband, **Gustavo**, and two children **Genesis**, 4, and **Isaiah**, eight months, after she was given a terminal diagnosis.

"Genesis loves the ocean so much that she comes home every day, puts her bathing suit on and asks when we are going to the beach," Belmi wrote to the foundation. "A trip to Hawaii would allow us to create memories together, ones that will last forever, in her mind and her heart."

The family will travel to Maui with help from Alaska Airlines, and Coconut Condos, a vacation rental agency, that has hosted Dream Foundation recipients and families since 2012.

And the Winner is...

Longtime Santa Barbara International Film Festival board member **Jeff Barbakow** and his wife, **Margo**, are proud parents.

Their director son **Max**'s existential comedy *Palm Springs* has just narrow-ly broken the Sundance Film Festival record for the biggest sale ever!

Hulu and indie distributor Neon purchased the film rights for \$17,500,000.69, exceeding the previous record set by *The Birth of a Nation* in 2016, which went to the former Fox Searchlight Pictures for \$17.5 million.

The film stars **Cristin Milioti** as a lost and occasionally self-destructive bridesmaid to a younger sister getting hitched in the desert. **Andy Samberg**, **Peter Gallagher**, and **Camila Mendes** also co-star.

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Jeff, Margo, and Max Barbakow (photo by Priscilla)