

SPRINGTIME FOR 'THE PRODUCERS'

Outrageous hit about an outrageous hit comes to town

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

Mel Brooks' musical comedy "The Producers" is an equal opportunity offender, against Jews, Germans, Swedes, gays, accountants — and the little old ladies who "reaching the end of their rope still have hope for one more romp in the hay."

The troupe of actors in the current Tri-Valley Repertory Theatre production delivers the over-the-top musical comedy with zeal, energy and talent. They not only expertly sing and dance, they wholeheartedly throw their bodies into the physical comedy. Sunday's audience responded with laughs, guffaws, loud applause and cheers. My husband laughed so hard he cried.

The show features larger-than-life Broadway producer Max Bialistock in the lead and producer-in-training Leo Bloom following — all the way to prison. Actually it's the timid accountant Bloom who comes up with the idea for the scam when he casually comments that a flop Broadway play could earn more money than a successful one, if people invested in it 200 percent. Bialistock pounces on the scheme.

Jeff Seaberg struts into the role of Bialistock with verve. He produced five seasons of the cabaret show "Wigged Out" in Danville plus runs its youth theater. He's starred in many more musicals and comedies and won a Shellie. Luckily for fans of the Tri-Valley Repertory Theatre, formerly Pleasanton Playhouse, Seaberg has found his way to its stage. He's a commanding presence and he mesmerizes the audience with his rendition of "Betrayed," performed alone with minimal staging.

Robert Lopez also makes his debut with TVRT, as Leo Bloom, although he's had roles throughout the Bay Area while teaching fourth grade in San Jose. When the faint-hearted Bloom first encounters the bellicose Bialistock he goes into shock and quickly reaches for his blue baby blanket for comfort. He's truly funny, and by the end of the play he's gone from a dreary life under his bookkeeper's green eyeshade to being a producer, a transition onstage he develops with ease.

Once Bialistock and Bloom join forces, they spend a night reading scripts for one that is bound to fail. They pick "Springtime for Hitler: A Gay Romp with Adolf and Eva at Berchtesgaden," and find the writer, Franz Liebkind, on a rooftop feeding his pigeons, dressed in a German helmet and lederhosen. Next they choose the worst director and actors they can find. Meanwhile Bialistock is cozying up to rich little old ladies to earn their investments.

Comedy comes from every corner of this production. The little old ladies all dress identically in blue dresses. They perform a rousing chorus line clicking and waving their walkers like the traditional walking sticks used in tap dancing. When the shapely Swede Ulla, played by Tiffany Davis, applies for a part in the



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Jeff Seaberg as Max Bialistock and Robert Lopez as Max Bloom with Tiffany Davis as Ulla, the Swedish actress/secretary who captivates the producers.

play they hire her as secretary until the play is cast, and Bialistock informs Bloom of a cardinal rule of Broadway: There is always a part for the producer's girlfriend. The costumes for "Springtime" feature gigantic pretzels and beer steins.

This TVRT production is directed by John Maio and produced by Kathleen Breedveld. The artistic staff includes Jo Anne Fosselman (music director), Sean Aloise (vocal director) and Kevin Hammond (choreographer). The live band of 17 plays flawlessly, keeping a perfect balance with the voices in the cast for a thoroughly enjoyable performance.

The rest of the cast is Ben Krantz (Franz Liebkind), Ken Blair (Roger DeBris), and Kevin Aachas (Carmen Ghia). The ensemble includes Morgan Breedveld, Robert Enos, Tom Farris, Mark Flores, Lindsay Garber, Jenna Harris, Melissa Heinrich, Christina Lazo, Rebecca LaFluer, Erin Little, Misty Megia, Josh Millbourne, Tim Nolan, Brian Olkowski, Charles Orlando, Drew Orlando, Bryan Pangilinan, Heidi Schrupp, Amy Sloan, Savannah Stratton, Bob Stratton and Mindy Zuckerman.

Brooks first made the movie "The Producers" in 1968 with actors Zero Mostel and Gene Wilder. The expanded musical came to Broadway in 2001, ran for 2,502 performances, and won 12 Tony Awards.

It's an adult play. The abundance of swastikas used so lightheartedly is a bit disconcerting but Mel Brooks never did hesitate to be outrageous. Brooks, who is Jewish, is quoted as saying, "If you can bring these people down with comedy, they stand no chance."

"The Producers" opened in Berlin last May at the Admiralspalast to standing ovations.

"Of all the musicals I've seen in my life it's by far the most exciting, the most bizarre and the most manic," said Admiralspalast manager Falk Walter in Spiegel Online.

Local audiences are lucky they have this hilarious offbeat comedy being expertly performed right in their own back yard. ■

Crooks tackle Broadway

What: "The Producers"

Who: Tri-Valley Repertory Theatre

Where: Bankhead Theatre, 2400 First St., Livermore

When: 8 p.m. Fridays/Saturdays; 2 p.m. Sundays through May 9

Cost: \$35 for adults (18-60), \$33 for seniors (60-plus), and \$25 for juniors (under 18).

Information: www.trivalleyrep.org; telephone 462-2121

Everything's coming up roses

Day of wine and roses will be May 8

Pleasanton's annual Rose Show will take place Saturday, May 8, a chance for enthusiasts to bring prize blooms from their gardens to share with other aficionados.

This year will make the 70th year for the popular "people's show." It began at a Pleasanton bank in the 1930s when Harry Harding gave his customers rose bushes to thank them for their business. They returned the favor by bringing back blooms for him. Thus he was inspired to start the Rose Show, a chance for everyone to enjoy the beautiful flowers.

The show was held for many years at Mt. Diablo Bank and backed by Alain Pinel Realtors but was suspended for a year or two. In 2007, Alain Pinel revived the show and now sponsors it along with the city of Pleasanton in the library, 400 Old Bernal Ave.

Folks can drop off their roses

between 7:30 a.m. and 10 a.m., Saturday, May 8; judging will take place until 12:30 p.m. An awards ceremony will be held at 1:30 p.m.

"We actually have Mark Mintz, a judge with the Mt. Diablo Rose Society, who is volunteering his time to help people categorize the roses," said Alain Pinel Realtor Leslie Faught, who is organizing the show along with Joyce Jones and Marti Gilbert.

"We are all with Alain Pinel Realtors — we call ourselves 'The Rosettes,'" added Faught with a laugh.

The show is open to the public from 1-5 p.m. The event will include wine tasting from 1-4 p.m. for \$5, featuring Little Valley Winery of Pleasanton.

Tags will be available Saturday morning for rose growers to label their entries with their name, address and phone number for each rose they are entering.



The Rose Show is a chance for anyone to bring their blooms to share and to be judged against others according to category.

For category information and tips about entering the Rose Show, visit www.pleasantonroseshow.com.

—Dolores Fox Ciardelli

Celebrate 'Art Made Easy'

Class works on exhibit at Senior Center

Pleasanton artist Charlotte Severin has been teaching watercolor classes for almost two decades with her "Art Made Easy" lessons offered through the city. This week, the public can view the creations from 2009-10 classes along with paintings by Severin herself.

The 16th annual "Celebrating Art Made Easy" will have an opening reception from 6-8 p.m., Monday, May 3, at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Admission is free and refreshments will be served.

The exhibit includes plein air paintings, which is work done on location, as well as flowers, still lifes, and figures done from live models. There are also experimental works on yupo, a synthetic paper, machine-made in the USA of 100% polypropylene, and crumpled rice paper, as well as collage.

In addition to the opening reception, the exhibit will be open 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. May 4-6; and 9 a.m.-noon May 7.

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BY JOE RAMIREZ

The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus

Sony Home Video DVD

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Director: Terry Gilliam

In order to save you the effort from reading any further, I will state, much to the annoyance of his fanatical cult following, that Director Terry Gilliam's "The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus" is a bad movie. It is too slow, too fractured, too annoying, and too pretentious for the average moviegoer (although "Avatar" is in the same category, albeit its pretentiousness stems from the director's insistences that his streamlined action is the end-all of moviemaking). Gilliam, whose works all characteristically share some of the aforementioned attributes, comes across here as a man in the throes of mania (much like the good doctor of the title), whose rants against the phantom establishment seem like sad cries from a distant era whose philosophies have already been adopted en masse, making the message somewhat embarrassing.

Terry Gilliam may be known to you as the maker of "The Fisher King" or "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas" or even as the member of Monty Python who created its phantasmagoric animations or banged the coconuts together in "The Holy Grail." He is a born moviemaker, whose visions could only be described as within the style of MC Escher crossed with the mentality of James Thurber and Dante. Gilliam is an American who emigrated to Britain in the late '60s, so he sports a hybrid of a unique folksy-cum-mechanized paranoid romanticism in which the "establishment" is bad and the world of dreams, songs and comedy are the

natural outlet for the imagination. Even his characters, usually dressed in layers of clothing and dirt, are reminiscent of medieval mystics, or shades beamed straight from Woodstock, preferably during "The Incredible String Band" set.

Doctor Parnassus (Christopher Plummer) is a down-and-out manager of a theater troupe with supernatural origins. The good doctor, you see, made a deal with Mr. Nick (Tom Waits — who else would play the devil so smoothly?) a few hundred years ago for immortality, and Parnassus wins on the notion that people crave imagination more than material stuff. They bet again, however, when Parnassus finds that he is aging, and this time the reward is his daughter Valentina (Lily Cole) while the playground for this match is the "Imaginarium" — a magic mirror that the troupe lugs around that transports volunteers physically into their own imaginations where they are forced to choose between enlightenment and materialism. The bet looks pretty sour until they run across Tony (Heath Ledger), who is hiding from his past for a good reason.

In all fairness, "The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus" suffers from the horrible task of having to work around Heath Ledger's death. However, I couldn't help feeling that the script by Gilliam and his longtime collaborator Charles McKeown was disjointed to begin with; Gilliam's trademarks are all there, but they feel forced, like he is badly imitating himself. I can say that the actors used to replace Ledger within the imaginarium sequences — Johnny Depp, Jude Law and an especially good Colin Farrell — inspire the movie, which is sad, because coming from a mind like Terry Gilliam's, I would have imagined a bit more. ■

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Sports



Rage Premier defeats De Anza 2-1



ERIN SALINAS

Sam Frost moves the ball down the field as Bianca Stubler covers from behind.

The undefeated Rage U11 Premier team took the field Saturday against the De Anza Force 98G.

In the first half the Rage dominated the ball, the combination of Sam Frost and Sadie Grozier kept De Anza guessing as they passed the ball back and forth up the field. The Rage went out in front with a great assist from Sam Frost to Hunter Vice who capitalized on it nicely. The winning combination of Rage forwards and midfielders, Rachel Rice, Megan Von Sosen, Sara Broacha, Lorna Roberts and Amy Schoendienst, ran circles around the Force.

Bianca Stubler who took charge against two defenders gave an amazing assist to Jo Salinas; this

set-up Sam Frost who shot her own beautiful goal into the net! Unfortunately with only minutes left the Force answered back on a Rage error.

The second half was all defense as the Force fought hard to score against Rage's goalie Juliet Allen, but it wasn't meant to be. Ariana Nino, Sadie Grozier, Tiara Lewis, and Bianca Stubler were terrific in keeping the Force in check, while Juliet had several nice saves. The second half was scoreless for both sides and the game ended with another Rage win 2-1.

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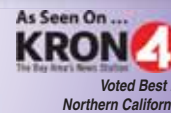


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Ballistic U14 in State Cup top 4

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TEAM PHOTO

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Pleasanton Ballistic United U14 Premier reached the semifinals of the CYSA-North State Cup tournament at the Morgan Hill Soccer Complex last weekend.

The boys won their 4-team bracket in the preliminary round in Rio Linda in early April, then advanced to the Sweet 16 round, where they defeated Heritage Man-

chester 5-2. They then advanced to the quarterfinals, where they bested Almaden Storm 4-2.

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Winning season for Blue Devils



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The Midget AAs complete at the State Championships in Valencia. The team went to Nationals.

The 2009-10 season marks the 40th anniversary of the Tri-Valley Blue Devils, a youth ice hockey club based at Dublin Iceland.

The Blue Devils had a tremendous 40th anniversary season, with multiple tournament titles, four teams advancing to the state championships, and one traveling across the country to the USA Hockey Tier II Nationals in New York.

In January, Tri-Valley's PeeWee B (under 12) team won the International Silver Stick Championship and will have its team name on the Silver Stick trophy in the Hockey Hall of Fame for the next year. The same team won its division at the Norcal championships and finished second in the state championship.

The Midget AA (under 18) team played well at the state championships in Valencia in mid-March, earning a return trip to the USA Hockey Tier II Nationals. They traveled to Rochester, N.Y., in early April where they advanced to the quarter-finals and then to the semifinals where they were defeated in overtime.

The Blue Devils' Squirt B (under

10) team was undefeated, 14-0, in the regular season and won the Norcal championship in late March by scoring 27 goals while allowing only five during the championship tournament. The team finished second in the state championships that took place in San Jose April on 9-11.

The Squirt A team finished the regular season in first place and advanced to both the Norcal and state championships, where it finished second.

The Midget A (under 18) team completed the regular season in second place and played in both the Norcal and state championships.

Over President's Day weekend, the Mite (under 8) team captured the title at the Wine Country Face Off in Santa Rosa and the Bantam A (under 14) team was undefeated at the Polar Bear Invitational Tournament in Phoenix.

The Tri-Valley Blue Devils offer both travel and in-house ice hockey teams for boys and girls ages 4 to 18. For more information, visit the Tri-Valley Blue Devils website at www.trivalleyminorhockey.com.

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Dublin

Total sales reported: 15
Lowest sale reported: \$324,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,085,000
Average sales reported: \$499,100

Livermore

Total sales reported: 18
Lowest sale reported: \$165,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,000,000
Average sales reported: \$534,417

Pleasanton

Total sales reported: 10
Lowest sale reported: \$295,000
Highest sale reported: \$2,100,000
Average sales reported: \$948,700

San Ramon

Total sales reported: 18
Lowest sale reported: \$400,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,276,000
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Salerno,
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SHORT SALE



3050 Talinga Dr,
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Buyers Needs

- New(er) high end luxury estate +/-7,500sf in Pleasanton under \$2,750K
- 4 bedrooms, +/- 2,750sf in Pleasanton, Dublin, under \$900K
- 4-5 bedrooms in Pleasanton, Dublin, Livermore, under \$850K

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OPEN HOMES THIS WEEKEND

Castro Valley

2 BEDROOMS

34442 Palomares Road \$899,000
Sun 2-4 J. Rockcliff Realtors 251-2536

3 BEDROOMS

17592 Vineyard Road \$525,000
Sun 1-4 J. Rockcliff Realtors 251-2536
35650 Palomares Road \$730,000
Sun 2-4 J. Rockcliff Realtors 251-2536

Pleasanton

2 BEDROOMS

5772 Belleza Drive \$398,500
Sun 1-4 Keller Williams Tri Valley 998-1798

3 BEDROOMS

1509 Trimmingham \$534,950
Sun 1-4 Coldwell Banker 847-2200

4 BEDROOMS

1462 Whispering Oak Way \$1,025,000
Sun 1:30-4:30 J. Rockcliff Realtors 699-9508
480 Bunker Lane \$1,495,000
Sun 1-4 Blaise Lofland 846-6500
2367 E. Ruby Hill Drive \$2,100,000
Sun 1-4 Keller Williams 202-6898
3931 Empire Court \$589,900
Sun 1-4 Alain Pinel Realtors 251-1111

7484 Muirwood Court \$769,000
Sun 1-4 Alain Pinel Realtors 251-1111

4738 McHenry Gateway \$775,000
Sun 1:30-4:30 J. Rockcliff Realtors 251-2505

478 Puerto Vallarta \$998,500
Sun 1-4 Keller Williams 200-1909

5 BEDROOMS

3216 Curtis Circle \$1,075,000
Sun 1-4 Keller Williams 202-6898

897 Sunset Creek Lane \$1,449,000
Sun 1-4 Blaise Lofland 846-6500

1054 Shadow Hills Court \$1,649,000
Sun 1-4 Alain Pinel Realtors 251-1111

8000 Rockford Place \$1,699,000
Sun 1-4 Alain Pinel Realtors 251-1111

7208 Rosecliff Court \$1,775,000
Sun 1:30-4:30 Moxley Team 600-0990

4128 Stanley Blvd. \$1,950,000
Sun 12-5 Alain Pinel Realtors 251-1111

3725 West Ruby Hill Drive \$2,599,000
Sat/Sun 1-4 Uwe Maercz 360-8758

2170 Foxswallow Road \$875,000
Sat/Sun 1-4 Moxley Team 600-0990

6 BEDROOMS

1121 Via di Salerno \$2,680,000
Sun 1-4 Keller Williams 202-6898

6415 Amber Lane \$985,000
Sun 1-4 Alain Pinel Realtors 251-1111

HOME SALES

This week's data represents homes sold during
March 2010

Pleasanton

3314 Arbor Drive Penzenstadler Trust to S. Leung
for \$883,000

589 Burger Court Fiorio Trust to V. & M. Goyal
for \$830,000

6884 Calle Altamira R. & K. Walker to K.
Mellachervu for \$777,000

8075 Canyon Creek Circle S. & C. Mayo to A.
Rangaswamy for \$665,000

1842 Harms Drive Washington Mutual Bank to
M. Eibagi for \$470,000

3148 Malvasia Court Buck Trust to E. & A.
Cartwright for \$928,000

8060 Mountain View Drive #C S. Cates to C.
Tang for \$295,000

2630 Starling Court Wells Fargo Bank to Y. Gao
for \$640,000

1009 Via Di Salerno V. & P. Rinkle to Ahuja
Trust for \$1,899,000

3514 Villero Court T. & C. Campbell to D. Fox
for \$2,100,000

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CASTLEWOOD

OPEN SUN 1-4



480 BUNKER LANE, PLEASANTON

Beautiful upgraded private estate on .73 acre lot,
built in 2000. Panoramic views of surrounding hills.
Four bedrooms, bonus/game room, 3.5 bathrooms,
approximately 3,606 square feet. Gourmet kitchen with
granite countertops and stainless steel appliances. Private
office with custom cherry built-ins. Beautifully landscaped.
Viewing balcony. Expansive very private rear grounds ideal
for entertaining includes: pebble tec solar heated in-ground
pool & elevated spa, covered cabana with built in BBQ,
bathroom & heater. Bocce court, play area and oversized
three car garage. **OFFERED AT \$1,495,000**

BRIDLE CREEK

OPEN SUN 1-4



897 SUNSET CREEK LANE, PLEASANTON

Single level in Bridle Creek on .29 acre premium view
lot. Built by Greenbriar Homes in 2000. Beautiful views
of Pleasanton Ridge. Private rear yard with built in pool.
Beautifully landscaped. Five bedrooms, four bathrooms.
Gourmet kitchen with granite countertops. Crown
molding and plantation shutters. Close to Downtown,
Castlewood Country Club, Oak Hills Shopping Center,
and Mission Hills Park.
OFFERED AT \$1,449,000

CHATEAU COUNTRY ESTATE

OPEN SUN 1-4



788 VINEYARD TERRACE, PLEASANTON

Country Chateau Vineyard Estate on approximately 1 acre
secluded lot (40,029 sq. ft.). Professionally landscaped with
multiple heritage oaks, adjacent to vineyards. Panoramic
views of Mount Diablo and the surrounding hills. This
semi-custom beautiful private home built by Greenbriar
Homes in 2008 has a total square footage of 6,476. The
main house at 5,330 square feet includes five bedrooms
plus library (6th), six bathrooms and a super bonus/home
theater room. Also included are a four car garage and private
carriage house at 1,146 square feet.
OFFERED AT \$1,995,000

PLEASANTON 900 Main Street



UWE MAERCZ SAT&SUN 1:00-4:00



3725 WEST RUBY HILL DRIVE \$2,599,000
Grand foyer with volume ceilings & Napa Valley cast stone columns. Beautiful amended in every detail. Formal study, movie room, 900 bottle wine cellar, private vineyards, arbor covered Bocce court.

JANNA CHESTNUT FRI 10-1; SUN 12-5



4128 STANLEY BLVD \$1,950,000
Victorian farmhouse on 2/3+/- acre lot with 100 year old refinished barn in downtown Pleasanton. Too much to list go to www.4128Stanley.com.

PATRICIA GELLMAN & LINDA GOVEIA BY APPT



3601 PONTINA CT \$1,899,950
Beautiful executive home. 5100+/-sf, 4bd, 5.5ba, separate studio apartment. Surrounded by cabernet & chardonnay vines. Covered patios Built in BBQ. So much to list!

MARK KOTCH BY APPT



2784 LYLEWOOD DR \$1,250,000
4bds/3ba, 3500+/-sf home. Expanded FR, formal DR, and LR. Upstairs Bonus room. Built in 1996. Master suite with fireplace, near great schools and shopping. Large corner lot.

MOXLEY TEAM SUN 1:30-4:30



7208 ROSECLIFF CT. \$1,775,000
Gourmet cook's kitchen & entertainers delight. 5 BD/ 5.5 BA w/ 5,330sf. plus theater room, office and library. Outdoor kitchen, large patio & pool.



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DOUG BUENZ SUN 1:00-4:00



8000 ROCKFORD PL \$1,699,000
5bd, 3.5ba custom home with 6 car (tandem) garage with hardwood floors, granite kitchen, solar power, incredible 1+ acre lot with pool adjacent to hundreds of acres of open space

DOUG BUENZ SUN 1:00-4:00



1054 SHADOW HILLS COURT \$1,649,000
5bd + bonus room + office, 4.5 bath home, situate on huge 1/3 acre flat lot. Custom granite kitchen, outdoor kitchen, sports court, sparkling pool, stunning view of ridge!

BLAISE LOFLAND SUN 1:00-4:00



480 BUNKER LANE \$1,495,000
Upgraded Private Estate on .73 Acre. Views, 4 Bedrooms, 3.5 Bathrooms, Plus Office & Bonus/ Game Room. Expansive Rear Grounds with Pool, Spa, Cabana, Bocce Court & Built-In BBQ!

MARK LAFFERTY BY APPT



1773 VETTA DR \$999,950
5 bedroom 5 bath home with 3837 sf, hardwood flooring, new carpet, granite counter tops, stainless steel appliances, crown molding, three car garage, dual A/C & Heat, and much more.

DOUG BUENZ SUN 1:00-4:00



6415 AMBER LANE \$985,000
6bd+bonus, 3ba, huge upgraded kitchen, hardwood floors, large private lot, sparkling pool, side access. Must See!

TIMOTHY MCGUIRE BY APPT



5087 BLACKBIRD WAY \$809,000
4bd/2.5ba, 2200+/-sf, remodeled kitchen, Hardwood floors, new interior/exterior paint, newer furnace/ AC/roof with spacious backyard. Just blocks from Woodthrush Park and Sports Park

DOUG BUENZ SUN 1:00-4:00



7484 MUIRWOOD CT \$769,000
Elegant 4bd 2ba home with hardwood floors, sunny updated kitchen, new carpeting and paint located on a 1/4+/-sf premium lot with sparkling pool!

ANDY PORYES FRI 10-1; SUN 1-4



3931 EMPIRE COURT \$589,900
4bd/2ba Val Vista home, court location on a 8000+/-sf lot. Newer roof, windows, paint, updated kitchen and baths. Must see, Priced to Sell!

KEVIN COLLINS BY APPT



1387 SAYBROOK RD \$399,900
Charming 4bed, 2bath home, many recent updates include paint inside and out, carpet, floors, roof, landscaping, central A/C, water heater. Convenient to schools, commute routes. Side Yard Access.

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