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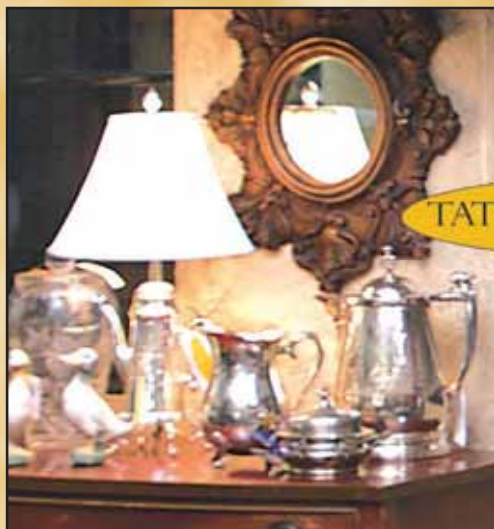
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# Around Pleasanton

by Jeb Bing

## Leadership gets children's museum rolling

Our area's long-sought Valley Children's Museum took a big leap forward last week in finding both a site for its planned 20,000-square-foot discovery center and a corporate sponsor to get the project started thanks to Rick Beaumont, a financial advisor and past president of the Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce with a business acumen for getting things done. The museum, which will be patterned after the popular Discovery Museum in San Jose and the Bay Area Discovery Museum in Sausalito, will be filled with interactive games and activities for all age groups that Beaumont thinks will be a challenge to parents as well as their more technologically savvy (at least when it comes to kids' games) teenage and younger children.

*Beaumont worked with Mayor Janet Lockhart of Dublin, who jumped at the chance to have the creative museum there.*

Beaumont, now 35, was appointed to the museum board in May 2004, about two years after leaving the board of the Pleasanton Chamber where he was chairman in 2001. That was just after he left a Pleasanton financial company to join Steve Gross and David Turner in a partnership at a Salomon Smith Barney office in Walnut Creek. A financial consultant who is in the business of, as he calls it, wealth management, he is a financial expert who is skilled at long-term fiscal planning, vision and investment. Aware of the years-long push to establish a children's museum in the Tri-Valley, first in Pleasanton where there was lukewarm interest and for the last several years in San Ramon, which couldn't find the land to accommodate the facility, Beaumont worked with Mayor Janet Lockhart of Dublin, who jumped at the chance to have the creative museum there. The city worked with Camp Parks, which

plans to turn over much of the former base to Dublin, to designate a portion for the museum, and then won the support of Sybase to contribute \$25,000 to help get the project rolling.

Lockhart joined Beaumont and his 12-member board of directors last Sunday to announce the Children's Museum deal with participation in the festivities, too, by the mayors of Danville, San Ramon and Livermore. If the land transfer goes according to schedule, the museum hopes to break ground in two to three years, with opening day scheduled by 2010 or 2011.

Even though the first children's museum opened in Brooklyn, N.Y. in 1899, museums specifically for kids are a relatively new phenomenon. The early museums were mainly a collection of dolls, trains and other "kids' things." A shift occurred in the 1960s when Michael Spock, son of the famous pediatrician, set up interactive exhibits at the Boston Children's Museum, where he was director. That's when children's museums took off. By 1975, there were 325 children's museums in the U.S., with 80 more opening between 1976 and 1990. Another 100 have opened since then, and about 65 more, including Beaumont's new Valley Children's Museum in Dublin, are in the planning stages.

Beaumont found that children's museums seldom house collections anymore, but concentrate on the educational role with contextual, interactive exhibits that help do the teaching. He's also finding that with popular children's museums already drawing crowds in San Jose and Sausalito there's fierce competition for corporate donors and marketing strategies to make this one a family destination from well beyond the Tri-Valley. Beaumont and his wife Nicole are doing their part to build children's interest in Pleasanton. They have three children: Arianna, 10; Olivia, 17 months; and newborn Vivian, who is just two months old. The Valley Children's Museum is an out-of-house activity they're all looking forward to. ■

### About the Cover

Mother's Day is this Sunday, so we at the Weekly are celebrating moms with a Mother Daughter Look-Alike Contest. Check out the finalist inside and then vote for the pair that look the most alike. Cover design by Ben Ho.

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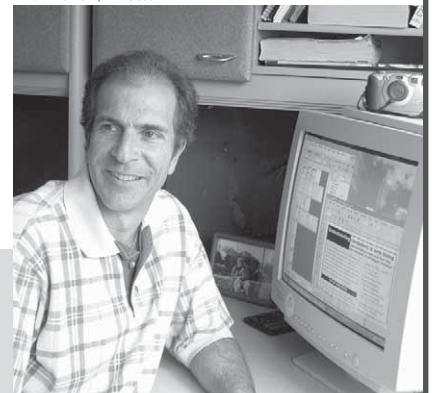
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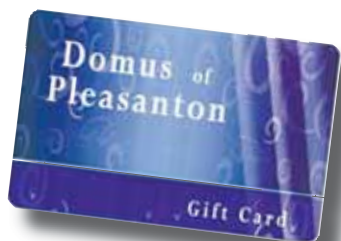


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# Streetwise

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Asked Downtown



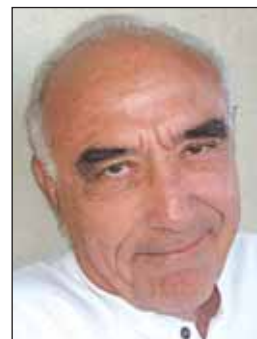
**Tom Gordon**  
Sales

The president's standings in the polls have no bearing on how I'll vote in the primary. I view the two races as being somewhat independent of each other. They are separate issues completely.

**Kathleen Knode-Spears**

Fulltime Mom

The current standings have no influence on how I'll vote. Too much can happen between now and June and June to November.



**Norman Thalman**

Retired

I made up my mind about Bush a long time ago. No matter what the polls say, I'll do whatever I can to support a change in our government. Bush lied about the war, about Social Security and countless other things. I'm done with it. Let's make some changes.

**Sheetal Varma**

Marketing

Personally I prefer a Democratic President and will vote to support that ideal. The standings in the polls reflect the country's dissatisfaction with the war and gasoline prices.



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The president's standings don't affect my choices. I am looking for the best candidates regardless of party. I am interested in values and policy.

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Compiled by Cybele Ryan

# Newsfront

## News Digest

### Independent Book Tour

The Northern California Independent Booksellers Association (NCIBA) is holding its first Independent Bookstore Tour from 9 a.m.-5p.m., Saturday May 13, celebrating the role booksellers play in their communities. Pleasanton's own Towne Center Books is one of the six bookstores on the tour. The tour meets at the Walnut Creek BART station and participants will then spend the day stopping at stores in Walnut Creek, Orinda, Danville and Pleasanton where they will meet with the owners and hear special author presentations. The tour costs \$40 per person. Call (415) 561-7686 or e-mail office@nciba.com for more information.

### Traveling Tales

Andy Jorgensen, manager of Pleasanton Civic Arts, will tell stories of the valley, often known as "Corridor County," during his "Traveling Tales" lecture from 7-8:30 p.m., Thursday May 18. The event is part of the Ed Kinney Lecture Series presented by the Museum On Main and will be held at the Lynnewood United Methodist Church, 4444 Black Ave. Jorgensen will relay stories of the geological forming of the paths and trails that brought people to this area 5,000 years ago and of the lives of a few individuals who made the place what it is today. Woven into the story of the corridor will be the stories of Indians, Spaniards, ranchers and railroad men. The event is \$5 for museum members and \$10 for non-members. Memberships will be available for purchase at the door.

### School Site Council vacancy

There are currently two parent seats open on the Foothill School Site Council. Parents of Foothill High School students are encouraged to apply for the openings by submitting an application by May 15. Members of the Foothill community will then vote on who will fill the seats. Ballots will be in the Walk-Through Registration packets and votes will be tallied after registration is complete. Applications can be downloaded from the Foothill Web site at [www.pleasanton.k12.ca.us/foothill](http://www.pleasanton.k12.ca.us/foothill). E-mail completed applications to John Dwyer at [jdwyer@pleasanton.k12.ca.us](mailto:jdwyer@pleasanton.k12.ca.us) or return it to Claudia See in the Foothill main office. Call John Dwyer at 461-6652 for more information.

## State expects final ruling on exit exam

*Nine Pleasanton students could be affected*

by Rebecca Guyon

An Alameda County Superior Court judge is scheduled to give his final ruling on the fate of the California High School Exit Exam today after releasing a tentative ruling Monday suggesting that he will stop the state from

denying students their high school diploma if they have not passed the test. The tentative ruling indicates that the judge will side with the plaintiffs in the case, who argue that the six students named in the suit had not been given the same opportunities to learn the material as other students across the state.

"If a student passes their credits, but fails the test, we have to wonder, did this district teach students the skills they need to know that

are necessary to pass the exam?" said Superintendent John Casey during Tuesday's board of trustees meeting. He added that Pleasanton will not be greatly affected by the final ruling, regardless if the exam is thrown out or kept in place.

While there are an estimated 47,000 high school seniors in California who have not passed the high school exit exam, of that number, only nine are Pleasanton students. Every student in the district

who has met the district's graduation requirements has passed the math portion of the exam, which tests Algebra I skills, Casey said. In the English exam, which tests up through 10th grade English, there are seven students at Amador who have not passed, but have met the rest of the district's graduation requirements. All of those students are English Language Learners.

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## TV30 to stay in Pleasanton

by Jeb Bing

TV30, the award-winning community television station that broadcasts on Channels 30, 29 and 28, will stay in Pleasanton.

Officials had considered relocating the station and its workforce, which is cramped for space, to larger offices and studios from its Pleasanton School District headquarters site, where it has made its home for more than 30 years.

The station had planned on moving into a new studio building on the district's upper parking lot near Abbie Street next year, using a one-time allocation it had received for \$1.3 million.

But those plans were scuttled by the station's new director, Glenn Davis, who said the architect's plans showed the new building and the two adjacent classrooms the district had offered would be only slightly more than its overcrowded facilities today. He urged the TV30 Board of Directors to search for a larger facility, with the now-empty Dublin Senior Center listed as a possibility.

Tuesday night, School Supt. John Casey said he had met with Davis and representatives of the four cities TV30 serves, Pleasanton, Livermore, Dublin and San Ramon. No one wanted the station to relocate from Pleasanton, where it has extensive infrastructure in its wiring and communications operations.

"We don't want to see the station move, and we will work to find space here at the district to accommodate its needs," Casey said. ■



## Linhart ends 30-year firefighting career

*Division Chief retires with cheers and tears*

by Rebecca Guyon

A sign reading "Welcome to the retired captains club" and jokes about "taking off the uniform and getting ready for some golf" greeted Division Chief Jim Linhart at the end of his last roll call May 4. Linhart retired from the Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department that day, completing a 30-year career in firefighting.

"Linhart has been an incredible contribution

to the organization," said Fire Chief Bill Cody addressing the firefighters, city officials and Linhart's family members in attendance. "Filling his shoes is going to be difficult, but the good news is, he left a bread crumb trail for us to follow."

Linhart first became interested in firefighting in 1973 after hearing a career day presentation by the Fremont Fire Department at his high school. He began pursuing the career and in 1976

## Hosterman says she'll seek reelection

*Teams with Albuquerque mayor on Arctic refuge drilling ban*

by Jeb Bing

Mayor Jennifer Hosterman, in Chicago for the U.S. Conference of Mayors summit on energy and environmental issues, said Wednesday that she will seek reelection to a second term as mayor in November.

"This conference, which is being hosted by Chicago, is one workshop after another on energy efficiency," she said. "There's a lot of material that I plan on bringing back to Pleasanton for future discussion."

Hosterman will officially launch her reelection campaign at a public reception from 5 to 8 p.m.

next Thursday at the Main Street Brewery downtown.

She was elected mayor in November 2004, becoming the first woman to hold that office. She was first elected to the City Council two years earlier.

As mayor, she said her work "has benefited the citizens and business-

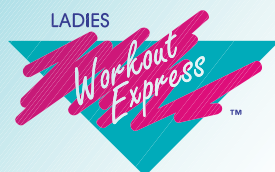
es of Pleasanton in many ways and has built a foundation for progress in the year's ahead." She plans to focus on spearheading the update of the city's 1996 General Plan, with the goal of completing the process early next year. As a member

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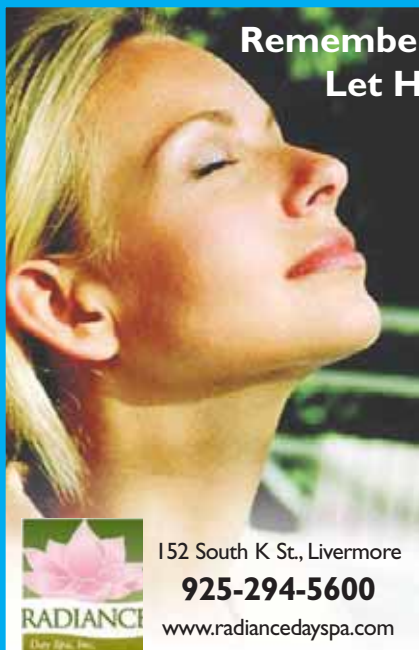
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## 'Make a Difference Award' recipients honored

*Awardees heralded for dedication to special education*

The Tri-Valley Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) honored several individuals in the Pleasanton, Livermore and Dublin school districts last week with the "Make a Difference Award." The awards are a chance for families to acknowledge individuals who have gone "above and beyond" to make a difference in the life of a child

with special needs.

This year's awardees from Pleasanton were the following: Ramon Amezcua, Marsha Young, Lauren Brown, Jean Ellis, Azi Gamez, Jerod Sigman, Dara Hogue, June Irick, Toby Lupton, Zach Lupton, Darrell Mark, Jodi Million, Marla Silversmith and Terri Sullivan.

SELPA is a consortium of participating school districts formed for the purpose of ensuring that quality special education programs and services are available throughout the Tri-Valley to meet the individual needs of special education students. Visit [www.trivalleyselpa.org](http://www.trivalleyselpa.org) for more information.

—Rebecca Guyon

## Linhart retires

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he became a firefighter with the Lawrence Livermore Laboratory Fire Department. There he became a company officer and served until 1984 when he switched to what was then the Pleasanton Fire Department. He was promoted to lieutenant in 1987 and that same year began teaching Fire Science at Chabot and Las Positas community colleges. Five years later in 1992, he was again promoted, this time to captain, and in 1998 he moved up to the rank of division chief. During his tenure, he was also the president of the Alameda County Training Officers Association for four years and was instrumental

in bringing the first regional Fire Academy and Candidate Physical Ability Test consortium to the county.

"I'm extremely proud to be part of the family of firefighters," he told the crowd, later adding, "I really enjoy the brotherhood, camaraderie, knowing that when we go out on calls we do something good. It's a sense of accomplishment."

Linhart was with the fire department when Pleasanton and Livermore combined their departments for what is now the Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department.

"I've seen the two separate departments come together, and the best thing is that it offers more services to the community," he said. "It was a new thing and we had to work through some growing pains,

but it is great thing for both communities."

Before walking between the two lines of firefighters and saluting his chief on Thursday, Linhart addressed the group, expressing gratitude to his family and saying how proud he is to have been a firefighter.

"All of you try to stay as safe as you can," he told his fellow firefighters, adding, "If you do, you can make it to this point in this often dangerous job as healthy as I am."

Linhart has two children, Daniel and Megan, from his marriage to his first wife Mary, who passed away in 1999. He remarried in 2003 to his wife Maribeth.

"Thank you for all your love," Linhart told his family. "It's what made it possible for me to have this great career." ■

## Exit exam

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"When someone learns a second language, they may speak it well, but to write it is a whole other skill set," Casey said. The six students in the case are all English learners.

There is one student at Foothill

who has not passed the English exit exam and a student in Independent Study in the same situation. Casey noted that all of these students are actually very close to passing. The student at Foothill and a student at Amador both scored a 348 on the test. A score of 350 is passing.

There are an additional three students at Horizon High School, a regional high school based in

Pleasanton for teenage parents, who have yet to pass the exam. However, the district looks at them separately because they come from other school districts, Casey said.

The board of trustees already passed a resolution earlier this year that would allow students who have met the district's graduation requirements, but have not passed the exit exam, to receive a Certificate of Completion and still participate in graduation ceremonies and end of the year activities. That is not to imply, however, that the district does not value the exit exam.

"The high school exit exam is a good hurdle for students to get over," Casey said. "There are many ways to pass a class, such as assignments and essays, that enable you to earn the units you need in order to graduate, but the high school exit exam tests students on specific skills. It's a valid requirement before granting a high school diploma."

Board President Steve Pulido said he was surprised by the tentative ruling.

"No exam is perfect, but I think the California Exit Exam is a good tool that we use in the district," Pulido said. "We made the decision to use it as a tool of assessment even before it was required because it's a good assessment tool and it does help ensure that students have basic skills."

Pulido said regardless of the judge's final decision it will not be the final end of the case.

"I'm sure it will get appealed," he said. "It might even find its way up to the Supreme Court." ■

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## Fourth grade student raises nearly \$1,000 for diabetes research

*Whole family helps out with annual*

*'Tour de Cure'*

by Rebecca Guyon

The American Diabetes Association estimates that nearly 21 million Americans currently have Type 2 Diabetes. Those numbers may be daunting for some, but for Ian Mills, a fourth grade student at Hearst Elementary School, they're a motivator to action.

Ian and his parents Susan and Jeffrey Mills are doing their part to help reduce diabetes by raising money for diabetes research in the American Diabetes Association's annual Tour de Cure fundraising event. Jeffery Mills is the leader of team Brown and Caldwell, and the 40-person team raised \$10,270 during the ride in Napa, which took place last weekend. Of that total, Ian raised \$935 on his own.

"I like bike riding and I have some family members that had or have diabetes, so I guess that's why I ride," Ian said, adding that it feels "pretty good" to help out.

The Tour de Cure is a national fundraiser where participants form teams and ride their bicycles on either a 10-, 25-, 50- or 100-mile course. Participants raise money by having people sponsor their ride. The American Diabetes Association holds Tour de Cure rides in more than 80 cities nationwide, and thousands of riders have taken part in the event since it started in 1991.

This was the first year Ian Mills rode in the event and raised money, though he has watched his father do it for years and even rode in the event without raising money for it last year.

"I started doing it with my dad's team, but the first year I was kind of scared," Ian said, which was why he first felt it out last year by just riding. Now more comfortable with the ride, Ian decided to take on the extra challenge of also raising money, with his parent's encouragement.

"We thought it was important to teach him about giving back," Susan said.

Ian surely first learned that lesson



Courtesy: Mills Family

Jeffery and Ian Mills ride their tandem bike through the Napa countryside during the annual Tour de Cure fundraiser organized by the American Diabetes Association.

by the example of both his parents. Jeffery has been involved with the Tour de Cure for seven years, starting when he worked for a company that makes blood glucose monitors for people with diabetes. Given the company's connection with the cause, they were very active in the Tour de Cure and Jeffery took part in the event with that group for four years—three as an employee and one after he left. Jeffery then got the idea to lead a team with co-workers at his new employer, Brown and Caldwell, an environmental engineer agency. When he asked some of his co-workers, who are also bike-riding enthusiasts, if they'd be interested, the reply was a resounding "yes." That was three years ago, and the team has participated every year since then, with Brown and Caldwell helping out by sponsoring the team and providing jerseys.

For the Mills, the Tour de Cure is family event with Jeffery and Ian riding together on a tandem bicycle and Susan helping the two raise money, as well as volunteering on the day of the event.

"It's such a feel-good day," Susan said. "It's a coming together of people to give back. Sometimes I think we get more out of it than the people we are doing it for."

The Mills family has been personally affected by diabetes. Both Jeffery and Susan's grandmoth-

ers had diabetes and several of Jeffery's aunts and uncles developed the disease as they got older. This year, Ian felt the affect even more because his godmother was just diagnosed with the disease.

"Since my grandmother had diabetes, we've always donated and given to the cause, but to be involved at this level is so amazing," Susan said.

Because so many people riding in the Tour de Cure are directly affected by diabetes, the American Diabetes Association organizes a Wall of Honor where participants can place the names of people in their lives that have diabetes as a way to acknowledge and remember them. Last year, Susan put up her grandmother's name, and this year she is putting up Ian's godmother. The names from all the Walls of Honor are later put in a book and distributed.

Even though the ride already happened, the teams are still collecting money to go toward the final total. Ian hopes to reach \$1,000 before the deadline. To contribute to the Tour de Cure, donations can be mailed to ATTN: Tour de Cure, The American Diabetes Association, 1900 Powell St., Ste. 120, Emeryville 94608. Checks should be made payable to the American Diabetes Association and include "Ian Mills, Team BC" on the check so the donations will count toward Ian's final total. ■



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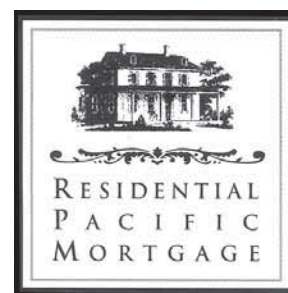
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# One step closer to a parcel tax

by Rebecca Guyon

The board of trustees officially decided Tuesday to move forward with the possibility of putting a parcel tax on the March 2007 election ballots by unanimously approving a contract with Lew Edwards Group to provide a parcel tax feasibility study.

"One of our tentative goals is to support the recommendations made by the Excellence Committee, and part of that is identifying funding sources," said Superintendent John Casey.

A tentative agreement was reached during the April 11 meeting with three of the trustees approving the contract. Trustee Kris Weaver said at that time that she wasn't comfortable with the cost of the study. The trustees approved the contract on the condition that Weaver and Board President Steve Pulido met with the Lew Edwards Group and felt comfortable working with them. Trustees Pat Kernan and Juanita Haugen met with the group prior to the April 11 meeting. Weaver said she approved of working with the group.

The Lew Edwards Group agreed to reduce its rate from \$42,000 to

\$37,500, according to the staff report. From May to November, the group will develop an overall outreach plan to build community awareness, create brochures, mailers, radio and TV spots, help finalize a timeline and budget, train staff and volunteers and conduct opinion polling, among other tasks. Public opinion polling is estimated to cost the district an additional \$25,000 and mailing cost is estimated to be \$32,000.

"The mission is to get an accurate temperature of the waters," Kernan said. Pulido added, "If there are problems I want to find out ahead of time, and not on Election Day."

The parcel tax would go to fund adding counselors, class size reduction and furthering technology support, which are the top three items listed as priorities by the Excellence Committee—a 55-member committee comprised of school officials and community members tasked with finding ways to improve the district.

"I'll be interested to see what (the Lew Edwards Group) finds out," Weaver said. "I haven't heard anything negative (about the parcel tax), but the question is what is the community willing to bear?" ■

## Hosterman

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of several regional transportation organizations, she also is seeking to prioritize funding for solutions to the Tri-Valley's traffic problems, including special focus on reducing congestion on Pleasanton streets. She plans to seek council approval to take the extension of Stoneridge Drive to El Charro Road and on into Livermore out of the new General Plan, although she has agreed to allow the county to maintain the right-of-way should traffic conditions and a future council chose to build that extension.

- She is also credited with forging better relations between the city government and the business community, and has appeared on several occasions before development and membership groups of the Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce to explain her positions.

- Hosterman worked with city and business officials in convincing Oracle Corporation, after its takeover of PeopleSoft, to shift key operations to Pleasanton and to make use of the PeopleSoft buildings and corporate complex in Hacienda Business Park. Since then, Oracle has expanded its operations in Pleasanton, while selling two large buildings it no longer needed to Kaiser Permanente, which results in more workers employed here now than before the PeopleSoft takeover.

- "This conference in Chicago is typical of the recognition I have received as mayor of Pleasanton to raise awareness of the importance of local action on such issues as global warming, world peace, nuclear proliferation and community energy.

"The topics I and the country's other mayors are discussing include energy efficiency, photovoltaic, energy efficiencies in public buildings and fuel efficiencies, all major issues affecting Pleasanton," Hosterman said. "We just heard from Mayor Richard Daley about the greening of Chicago, and this city really has been a leader in that effort."

She also said that she is working with Mayor Martin Chavez of Albuquerque to co-sponsor a resolution for consideration by the U.S. Conference of Mayors annual meeting next month in Las Vegas to block oil and gas drilling in part of Alaska.

"We plan to ask the conference to adopt our resolution that would urge Congress to exclude drilling in the National Arctic Wildlife Region," she said. "We hope the mayors approve that."

Here in Pleasanton, Hosterman said that she has demonstrated a commitment to environmental awareness and protection, which has resulted in the establishment of the free annual E-Waste Day.

"As a board member of the Local Government Commission, I have also brought a focus on sustainable water use and alternative energy policies to Pleasanton," she added.

"Pleasanton has changed over the years, and we need a mayor who has vision and the ability to reach out and work with others to meet the changing needs of our community," she said. "Transportation and traffic issues, economic development, fiscal responsibility, delivering quality city services, a strong downtown, protecting the environment, fostering cultural diversity, and maintaining the integrity and character of our neighborhoods are high on my list of priorities." ■

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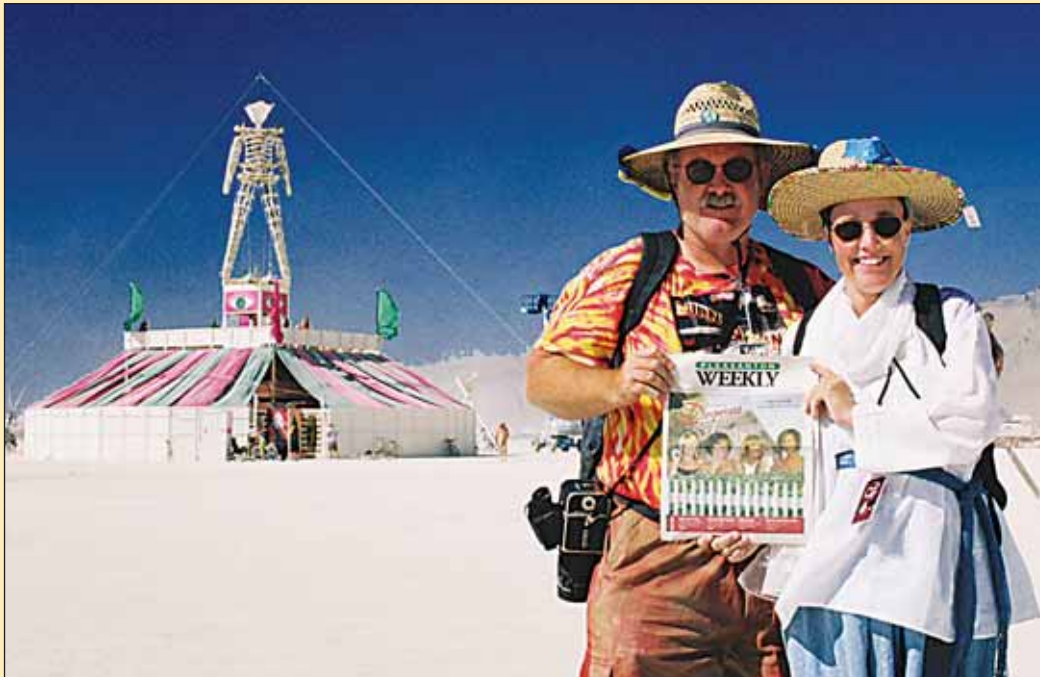
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**Burning Man!** Gary and Lynda Ball joined 35,000 other people at last year's Burning Man Festival, an annual week-long festival held in Black Rock Desert, Nevada, the week before Labor Day. Here the two read the Weekly as they stand with wood sculpture of a man, which is burned on the sixth night of the event. The event, now in its 10th year, is meant as a place to celebrate art and free expression.



**George liked what he read**

Chase and Braxton Henley hold up the Weekly for the famous heads of Mount Rushmore to read during their trip to South Dakota.



**Reading in the wild**

Joanne Devlin and her 20-month-old daughter Brianna read the Weekly while visiting the Jaguar Ecological Reserve in the Pantanal Wetlands of Brazil. Considering the reserve is one of the best places to see wild animals in South America, maybe the two should stop reading and be on the look out for jaguars instead!



**30 is the magical number**

Being 30-year Pleasanton residents, Art and Joan Tenbirnk couldn't go on their trip through Eastern Europe without bringing the Weekly with them. Dubbing the trip their "30 Day Date," the two were celebrating their 30th anniversary. Here they are in front of the Hotel Slavia in Brno, Czech Republic.

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## Pleasanton Real Estate News



by  
**Gerarda  
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### Should I Buy or Sell First?

It depends on a large number of factors. The most important factor, perhaps, is how hot the real estate market is. If it's hot (as it was in recent years), it was often hard to get acceptance of an offer that was contingent on the sale of your existing home. So what did you do?

It's equally possible, especially in a slower market, that you could end up selling your home and finding it impossible to find, make an offer on, and close the purchase of your next home before the buyers of your existing home have contracted to move into it. How in this case do you avoid a few months in a rental?

Keep in mind that every real estate transaction involves a careful combination of both sellers' and buyers' needs, no matter what the market looks like. Indeed, you can potentially use that to your benefit, selling your home with a contingency that allows you to rent it back for a specific time period after the sale closes so that you can buy your next home and move into it. You can even sell it with the contingency that you have a few weeks to locate your next home. Or, if you find your next home and need to move into it before buyers close escrow and move into yours, you can arrange "bridge" financing to cover the expenses of closing on your purchase transaction.

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# Opinion

## Editorial

### Should public funds restore Pleasanton's nonsectarian cemetery?

Anyone who has walked through the deteriorating Pleasanton Memorial Gardens cemetery on Sunol Boulevard must wonder who's in charge of maintaining this 150-year-old burial ground. The sad fact is: Almost nobody. Once owned by the Pleasanton lodge of the International Order of Odd Fellows, that group has been disbanded with its single remaining Pleasanton member now a part of the Livermore lodge, whose membership is also dwindling. The Livermore group, nearly broke, can no longer maintain the 5-acre Pleasanton cemetery it inherited when its sister lodge closed down. It wants to sell it for \$1 to the Pleasanton Pioneers, a small citizens' group that for two years has been seeking City Council help in acquiring the cemetery in order to save the historic site and preserve the burial grounds of many of the city's earlier settlers, including the Bernal, Kottinger and Neal families as well as more recent community leaders, such as former Mayor Ed Kinney, who was buried there last year.

Unlike most cemeteries, Pleasanton Memorial Gardens has been operated by a nonprofit fraternal group with no endowment, no state-approved taxing district, and burial rates far too low to ever provide funds for perpetual care that most families expect. As a result, gravestones have shifted, cracked and sunk; much of the grounds are dirt and gravel, with little grass and a broken irrigation system to inadequately sprinkle what is left. The Pioneers organization, led by downtown businessman Chris Beratlis Sr., wants the city to acquire the cemetery and operate it, or at least to organize their group as a legally-recognized nonprofit with city funding upfront to restore the cemetery and then let the Pioneers raise the money needed to continue its operation, possibly even to expand it. They promise to seek donations from local corporations, service clubs, and the public to raise funds to preserve the cemetery as an historic site and then to develop a marketing strategy that would significantly raise burial fees (now about \$500 compared to \$10,000 at some privately-owned cemeteries) to provide perpetual care.

The City Council has postponed any decision on the Pioneers' request until City Manager Nelson Fialho can prepare a report showing all the options: buy the cemetery and make it part of the city's responsibilities, establish the Pioneers as a quasi-public partnership that would serve as the contractor in operating the cemetery and selling plots, or do nothing and let the cemetery continue heading toward bankruptcy along with its current owners. Fialho's first task is to delay the lodge's October deadline for its buy-out option. Next, he will explore the liabilities and costs of operating the cemetery as a city-owned facility or the advantages of setting up the Pioneers as an independent contractor to operate the cemetery.

Times have changed, and it's uncertain how many Pleasanton residents would want their loved ones buried at Pleasanton Memorial Garden. More than half of those who died last year were cremated, and the Pleasanton cemetery currently has no facilities for cremains. Further, the vast majority of those living here are under 65, so spending tax dollars on a cemetery may be low on their list of priorities. It's a survey the City Council needs to make before committing public money. A bond measure to generate the funds needed for a perpetual care endowment for Pleasanton Memorial Gardens seems unlikely to generate enough votes to pass.

Each year, city officials, veterans and Scouts join together for a special Memorial Day ceremony at the cemetery to pay tribute to those who are buried there. This year, the program starts at 11 a.m. Monday, May 29. This is a good time for families to observe the most solemn day on our nation's calendar and at the same time to walk around Pleasanton Memorial Gardens, then let elected officials know your views on buying it, preserving it, or letting someone else assume those responsibilities.

## Letters

### Make Weekly daily

I have a well entrenched piece of my history and solid experience of today that qualify me to comment on the current state of the local newspaper in Pleasanton. First, I was a 16-year management employee of the San Mateo Times until March 6, 1996 when, as you know, Media News executed an asset only purchase. I, along with about 200 other dedicated employees, was on the street. It was a heartbreaking emotional time as I'm sure you can imagine.

Second, I now travel 35 miles every day to Redwood City where I work for the San Mateo County Assessor as a clerk-recorder and Election Division. Among other things, I look forward to finding a copy of the Redwood City Daily News and often the San Mateo Daily News. I love the local detail reporting that is provided in those peninsula newspapers.

However, I return home to Pleasanton each night and find nothing that is even close. I tried to find it from the Tri-Valley Herald and the Valley Times, but as you know they are spread way too thin to get down to the level I am used to reading on the Peninsula. I look forward to Friday when I receive the Pleasanton Weekly, but the weekly format does not lend itself very well to the small detail reports that interest local patrons.

I have waited for the time when I pick up the Weekly and find a story that announces it's conversion to a daily format.

Please, now that local readers have even less choice of what news we can receive, consider providing a product similar to the Peninsula dailies I referenced above.

Thanks for your consideration.

*Ed Derge  
Pleasanton*

### Antrim approves article

Dear Editor,

The cover story on Kathleen Antrim done by Julie Nostrand and the Pleasanton Weekly (Cover story, "Prose to pundancy," March 31, 2006) was excellent. And I should know, as I was the subject of that piece. I really appreciated your attention to detail, thorough research and accomplished writing. Thank you.

As someone who spends almost as much time on the East Coast as here in Pleasanton, I also wanted to express how important The Pleasanton Weekly is to me. It's the one newspaper that I can count on to keep me in touch with my hometown. And I always feel like it's "our" paper, part of the community, and not just another corporate newspaper owned and operated by strangers.

I'm proud of our Pleasanton Weekly, and I was honored that you chose to do a story on me. Thank you, again.

*Kathie Antrim  
Pleasanton*

# Transitions

## Obituaries

### Elmer Joseph Steman

Elmer Joseph Steman, a Pleasanton resident for 13 years, died May 10 at the age of 87.

He was born December 7, 1918 in Deer Park, Ohio and lived there until he entered the military. As a young man he was moved to quit college and enter the armed forces because of the attack on Pearl Harbor. He joined the Army Air Force, now called the Air Force, and made it his career for 30 years. He was proud to serve his country and was very patriotic. As part of his military career, he traveled the world but made it a point to do whatever he could to take his family with him.

He was a dedicated family man, a devoted member of St. Augustine Catholic Church and an avid golfer. He was one of the lucky ones who could still play golf in his 80's. In 2000, at 81, he won the Senior Men's Tournament at Las Positas Golf Course.

He is survived by his wife Bernice Steman of Pleasanton; his three children, Deborah Acosta McKeehan, former City Manager and current President of the Pleasanton and Danville Weekly, Sandra Sue Zbella of Simi Valley and Elmer Joseph Steman of Gilroy; eight grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

### Jefferson Lawrence Hart

Jeff Hart, a Bay Area native, passed away April 20 in Wooster, Ohio.

He was born September 7, 1951 in San Francisco and lived most of his youth in Woodside. He gradu-



ated from the University of New Mexico and received a master's degree from Florida Institute of Technology.

He retired as a Commander in the U.S. Navy after 20 years of service. For the past 18 years, he was a pilot for TWA and American Airlines. He had made his home in Wooster, Ohio for the past 16 years. He was a member of the Fredricksburg (Ohio) American Legion Post 651 and had been a former Boy Scout Master. He enjoyed bicycling, canoeing, traveling, hiking, woodworking and winemaking.

He is survived by his wife Hope Lytle Hart; son Justin Hart, both of Wooster, Ohio; daughter Kristin Hart of Pinellas Park, Fla.; his mother Elizabeth Hart; brother Gregory Hart and his wife Linda; sisters Kathryn D'Or and her husband Kevin and Lauren Hart, all of Pleasanton; four nieces and two nephews.

His father Bruce L. Hart preceded him in death in 1995.

Services were held in Wooster, Ohio. Burial took place at Fredricksburg East Cemetery where military honors were conducted.

### Catherine Marie Grillo Zymajtis

Catherine Zymajtis, a Pleasanton resident for the past five years, died April 25.

She was born May 30, 1919 in Milldale, Conn. She graduated with a bachelor's of science in business administration from Rider University in Trenton, N.J. Following her degree, she worked as an office manager for a stockbroker until the birth of her daughter. She devoted the rest of her life as a homemaker and master seamstress and tailor.

She is the youngest daughter of Nicholas and Jenny Grillo of Milldale, Conn. Nicholas was a famous rose grower who developed the thornless rose and numerous varieties of roses which are enjoyed today.

She is survived by her husband George; daughter Joan; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

A memorial mass took place at St. Therese Church in North Haven, Conn. Burial followed at St. Lawrence Cemetery in West Haven, Conn.

## Births

April 17

Chris and Diana Kincaid, twins, a boy and a girl

The following birth information was provided by ValleyCare Health System and San Ramon Valley Medical Center.

Jan. 30

Michelle and Chris Loaiza, a girl

Feb. 25

Megan and Edward Gates, a boy

March 26

Janice and James Molinelli Jr., a girl

Kristy Berry, a girl

Jennifer Wheedbee and Christopher Simms, a girl

April 3

Gina and Antonio Marques, a boy

April 6

Michelle and Stephen Hilton, a boy



Michelle and Ray Dickinson became the parents of a 7 pound 11 ounce, 20.75 inch girl named Megan Annamarie on March 28. Annamarie's older brother is Noah.

We apologize for the May 5, 2006 issue that incorrectly listed the parents of baby Megan Annamarie.

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*Weekly celebrates  
Mother's Day  
with mother-daughter  
look-alike contest*

**W**ith Mother's Day this Sunday (that's right, Sunday), we want to give you a mom a present, not that we're suggesting you buy a gift. We want to honor moms than by holding a Mother-Daughter look-alike contest. We did a father-son contest and it was such a huge hit that we thought it would be as popular. It seems that many mothers and daughters are looking alike. We've posted their photos and many of the duos truly bear a striking resemblance. Below are the ones we chose as the finalists in the contest.



**Brown:** mother Martha, daughter Olivia



**Diggins:** mother Mary, daughter Madison



**Gilbert:** mother Carrie, daughter Myla



**Harris:** mother Melissa, daughter Madison

Now it's up to Pleasanton residents to vote for their favorite. Please e-mail to Rebecca Guyon at [rguyon@pleasantonweekly.com](mailto:rguyon@pleasantonweekly.com) with the first and last name of the pair you are voting for in the subject line. We will publish the winners in an upcoming issue.

Thanks to everyone who participated. Happy Mother's Day!



**WEEKLY MEETING NOTICES**

**City Council**

Tuesday, May 16, 2006 @ 7:00 p.m.

City Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal

**• Bernal Property Phase II Specific Plan and Bernal Community Park Master Plan and Final Environmental Impact Report**

(1) Certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the combined Bernal Property Phase II Specific Plan and Bernal Community Park Master Plan project

(2) Adoption of the Bernal Property Phase II Specific Plan for the 318-acre City-owned property located south of Bernal Avenue along both sides of I-680. The plan includes future development of a series of public and quasi-public facilities within an open space/park-like setting

(3) Adoption of the Bernal Community Park Master Plan for approximately 50-acres located in the eastern portion of the Phase II Specific Plan area. The plans includes a series of lighted sports fields and related facilities

**• Review of Bids and Award of Contract for the Kottinger Creek Restoration Project, CIP No. 038023**

**Housing Commission**

Thursday, May 18, 2006 @ 7:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers, 200 Old Bernal

The May 18 Housing Commission meeting has been canceled and tentatively scheduled for May 25.

**Economic Vitality Committee**

Thursday, March 18, 2006 @ 7:30 a.m.

Crowne Plaza Hotel, 11950 Dublin Canyon Road

**• Pleasanton Unified School District (PUSD) Excellence Committee Report**

Presentation regarding the PUSD Excellence Committee Report from PUSD Superintendent Dr. John Casey

**• Downtown WiFi Network**

Presentation regarding the City's WiFi Network Project proposed for Downtown Pleasanton

**• Economic Development Strategic Plan**

Review final draft of Economic Development Strategic Plan

**ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND PUBLIC COMMENT IS WELCOME**

The above represents a sampling of upcoming meeting items. For complete information, including any agenda amendments, please visit [www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us/community/calendar](http://www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us/community/calendar)

# Community Pulse

## Police Bulletin

### Local restaurant victim of burglary

The Super Burger restaurant, located at 4211 Rosewood Drive, was burgled sometime between 8 a.m., Saturday April 29, and 7:30 a.m., Sunday April 30, police said. The store owner reported the theft after she found a window had been broken and the cash register had been smashed, police said. The victim said she locked all the doors prior to leaving Saturday evening. The suspects stole \$30 in change from the register and \$400 from the office, police said.

Two officers inspected the Super Burger and surrounding areas for evidence. The window located at the southwest corner of the building had been smashed and removed using an unknown object. A muddy shoeprint, approximately a men's size 12, was located a few feet away from the broken window, police said.

### Burglars make off with cold hard cash

Loard's Ice Cream store, located at 5424 Sunol Blvd., was burglarized sometime between 10 p.m., April 22 and 11:45 a.m., April 23, according to police reports. The thieves stole \$943.99 in cash. Police said there was no sign of forced entry.

## Police Report

*The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available. Under the law, those charged with offenses are considered innocent until convicted.*

**May 1**

- Theft: 4
- Vandalism: 1
- Burglary: 3
- Found property: 2
- Assault:
  - 8:49 a.m. at the intersection of Santa Rita Road and Valley Avenue
- Rape:
  - 2:30 p.m. in the 4300 block of Foothill Road
- Possession of cocaine:
  - 7:37 p.m. at the intersection of Owens and Rosewood drives
- Disorderly conduct:
  - 11:52 p.m. in the 5600 block of Owens Drive

**May 2**

- Theft: 4
- Burglary: 2
- Found property: 1
- Threatening bodily harm:
  - 10:30 a.m. in the 4600 block of Bernal Avenue
- Possession of synthetic drugs:
  - 2:21 p.m. in the 4800 block of Bernal Avenue

**May 3**

- Theft: 5
- Vandalism: 2

- Cruelty to animals:
  - 5:30 p.m. in the 4200 block of Fairlands Drive
- Misdemeanor sexual battery:
  - 7:35 p.m. in the 5100 block of Hopyard Road
- Assault:
  - 7:53 p.m. in the 5600 block of Owens Drive

**May 4**

- Theft: 6
- Burglary: 1
- Found property: 1
- Threatening phone calls: 1
- Animal nuisance:
  - 9:39 a.m. in the 100 block of Trenton Circle
- Mail theft:
  - 9:46 a.m. in the 300 block of Happy Valley Road
- Child abuse:
  - 2:50 p.m. in the 5500 block of Sonoma Drive
- Assault:
  - 5:30 in the 3000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road
- Dog bite:
  - 7:51 p.m. in the 6300 block of Paseo Santa Maria
- Possession of synthetic drugs:
  - 7:06 p.m. in the 3900 block of Stoneridge Drive
- Possession of a deadly weapon:
  - 11:33 p.m. at the intersection of W. Angela Street and Pleasanton Avenue

**May 5**

- Theft: 8
- Vandalism: 2
- Burglary: 1
- DUI: 1
- Found property: 2
- Disorderly conduct:
  - 1:08 a.m. in the 2700 block of Lylewood Drive
- Possession of marijuana:
  - 7:15 a.m. at the intersection of Pleasanton Avenue and St. John Street
- Threatening bodily harm:
  - 10:42 a.m. in the 5000 block of Hopyard Road

**May 6**

- Theft: 3
- Vandalism: 1
- Burglary: 2
- DUI: 1
- Found property: 1
- Disorderly conduct:
  - 12:13 a.m. in the 3000 block of Hopyard Road

- Assault:
  - 12:11 a.m. in the 3000 block of Hopyard Road
- Possession of marijuana while driving:
  - 12:07 p.m. at the intersection of Hopyard Road and W. Las Positas Blvd.

**May 7**

- Theft: 2
- Burglary: 1
- DUI: 3
- Found property: 2
- Assault:
  - 10:36 p.m. in the 3900 block of Grand Canyon Court
  - 11:26 p.m. in the 1300 block of Germano Way

## ACCIDENTS

**May 1**

- 8:29 a.m. - Injury accident at the intersection of I-680 and Bernal Avenue
- 4:28 p.m. - Non-injury accident in the 5800 block of Parkside Drive

**May 2**

- 8:51 a.m. - Injury accident at the intersection of Abbie and Main streets
- 4:19 - Injury accident at the intersection of Gibraltar and Hacienda drives
- 5:25 - Hit-and-run non-injury accident at the intersection of Stoneridge Drive and Santa Rita Road

**May 3**

- 8:32 a.m. - Injury accident at the intersection of Riddell Street and Sunol Boulevard

**May 4**

- 11:45 a.m. - Non-injury accident at the intersection of Paseo Santa Cruz and Valley Avenue

**May 5**

- 12:41 p.m. - Non-injury accident at the intersection of Kolln Street and Valley Avenue

**May 6**

- 5:54 a.m. - Injury accident at the intersection of Del Valle Parkway and Hopyard Road
- 4:31 p.m. - Hit-and-run non-injury in the 7200 block of Johnson Drive

**May 7**

- 10:50 a.m. - Non-injury accident in the 6700 block of Paseo Santa Cruz

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# Calendar

## Auditions

### Valley Concert Chorale

Valley Concert Chorale will hold auditions by appointment for experienced singers who enjoy performing a wide range of music from classical to contemporary, folk to jazz, Mon., May 22 at First Presbyterian Church, 2020 5th St., Livermore. Call Pam, 462-4205.

## Author Visits

### Alex Ramirez

Revered Ohlone elder Alex Ramirez will share stories from the Native American culture 7 p.m., Wed., May 17 at the Pleasanton Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave. Admission is free. Call 931-3400, ext. 8.

### Alice Joyce

Alice Joyce, the "San Francisco Chronicle" Garden Walks columnist and writer and photographer for "Garden Design Magazine" and "Gardens Illustrated" will share a slideshow of different gardens 2 p.m., Sun., May 21 at the Pleasanton Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave. Call Penny, 931-3405.

### Ashley Wolff

Meet Ashely Wolff, author of "Miss Bindergarten," 4 p.m., Fri., May 19 at the Pleasanton Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave. Call 931-3400, ext. 8.

### James R. Smith

James Smith will show a slideshow of San Francisco's Lost Landmarks 7 p.m., Thurs., May 25 at the Pleasanton Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave. Call Penny, 931-3405.

### Jane Juska

Meet Jane Juska, author of "A Round-Heeled Woman" and "Unaccompanied Women," during the luncheon portion of the Sat., May 13 bus tour of six East Bay bookstores. Call Rich, 640-0507.

## Book Clubs

### Livermore Book Club

The Livermore Book Club meets 7-9 p.m. every fourth Tuesday monthly at the Livermore Library, 1188 S. Livermore Ave.

## Civic Meetings

### City Council

The council meets 7 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday monthly at City Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Ave. The next meeting is May 16.

### Housing Commission

The commission meets 7:30 p.m. on the third Thursday monthly at City Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Ave. The next meeting is May 18.

### Human Services Commission

The commission meets 7 p.m. on the first Wednesday monthly at City Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Ave. The next meeting is June 7.

### Library Commission

The commission meets 7 p.m. on the second Thursday monthly at Pleasanton Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave. The next meeting is June 8.

### Parks & Recreation Commission

The commission meets 7 p.m. the second Thursday monthly at City Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Ave. The next meeting is June 8.

### Planning Commission

The commission meets 7 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday monthly at City Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Ave. The next meeting is May 24.

### School Board

The Pleasanton Unified School District Board meets 7 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday monthly in the district office board room 4665 Bernal Ave. The Board is holding a special meeting May 16.

### Youth Commission

The commission meets 7 p.m. on the second Wednesday monthly at Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. The next meeting is June 14.

## Class Reunions

### Amador Valley High School Reunion, 1996

Amador Valley High School will be holding a 10-year reunion for the class of 1996 7 p.m.-midnight, Sat., June 24 at the JW Marriott Hotel, 500 Post St., San Francisco. E-mail Christina\_Mantha@yahoo.com, visit www.reunionmakers.com, or register on classmates.com.

## Clubs

### American Legion Post 237

American Legion Post 237 meets 7:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Wednesday monthly at Veterans Memorial Building, 301 Main St. Call Rene, 846-7532 or Dan, 846-7320.

### B2B Power Exchange

B2B Power Exchange meets for breakfast from 7:45-10 a.m., Thurs., May 18 at Mimi's Cafe, 4775 Hacienda Dr., Dublin. Cost for non-members is \$40 and free for members. Call 201-3410.

### Crossroads Business Network

Crossroads Business Network meets 7-8:30 a.m. every Friday at Vic's All Star Kitchen, 201 A Main St. Call Bill, 249-1400.

### Daughters of the British Empire

The John McLaren Chapter meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday monthly. Newcomers and long-time residents are welcome for tea and a chat. Call Jenny, 484-1273 or Veronica, 846-4579.

### Del Valley Folk Dancers

Join beginning and experienced Balkan, Israeli, and other world dancers from 7:45-9:30 p.m. every Tuesday at the Livermore Academy of Performing Arts, 315 Wright Brothers Ave., Livermore. Cost is \$4. Dress casual. Call George at 447-8020.

### Everything Poetry

This poetry work-group meets from 9-11 a.m. the first Saturday monthly to critique poetry and the third Saturday monthly for a workshop pertaining to an aspect of poetry business at Towne Center Books, 555 Main St. Bring ten copies of a poem. Call Michelle, 931-5350 or e-mail mrusso@ci.pleasanton.ca.us.

### Express to Success Network

Women's Express to Success Network meets 6-8:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday monthly at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel, 5115 Hopyard Rd. Help by donating gently used career wear. Visit www.expresstosuccess.org or e-mail info@expresstosuccess.org.

### Fly Fishers

Fly Fishers Club meets 7 p.m. the first Thursday monthly at Livermore Road and Gun Club, 40000 Dagnino Rd., Livermore. Call Bob, 989-2358 or visit www.tri-valleyflyfishers.org.

## Concerts

### Around the World With Folk Songs

Valley Concert Chorale presents "Around the World with Folk Songs,"

8 p.m., Sat., May 20 at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1385 S. Livermore Ave., Livermore. Tickets are \$17 adults and \$14 seniors if purchased in advance and \$20 adults, \$17 seniors if purchased at the door. Students 18 and under are free when accompanied by an adult. Call 866-4003 or e-mail info@valleyconcertchorale.org.

### Classical Music

Pianist Raymond Wang will play "Rhapsody in Blue" and maestra Joyce Johnson Hamilton will lead the symphony in "Catfish Row Suite" 2 p.m., May 13 at Dean Leshner Regional Center for the Arts, 1601 Civic Dr., Walnut Creek. Tickets are \$12, \$20 and \$22. Call 943-7469 or visit www.dlrca.org.

### Jazz, Rhythm & Blues

Go back in time and join the Broadway Chorus Rendition and Youth Choir as they present the most popular music sung by Elvis, Barry Manilow, Beach Boys and more 8 p.m., Fri., May 26 and Sat., May 27 or 2 p.m., Sun., May 28 at the Amador Theater, 1155 Santa Rita Rd. Call 461-2121 or visit www.pleasanton-playhouse.com.

### Livermore-Amador Symphony

The final concert of the Livermore-Amador Symphony's 2005-06 season will be 8 p.m., Sat., May 13 at First Presbyterian Church, 4th and L St., Livermore. General admission is \$15, seniors \$13 and youth through high school \$5. Call 373-6824 or visit www.livamsymph.org.

### Pleasanton Chamber Players

Pleasanton Chamber Players will perform 2 p.m., Sun., May 21 at the Amador Theater, 1155 Santa Rita Rd.

## Weekend Preview



## Children's Arts Festival coming

Pleasanton's annual Children's Arts Festival will be Sunday, June 4 from noon-4 p.m. at Centennial Park, 5353 Sunol Ave. Children will learn a variety of art techniques such as clay, watercolor, mural painting with tempera paints, three dimensional collages, origami, scratch board paper appliques, pie tin/marble roll abstracts, rubbings and weavings all through interactive displays. New this year is a display showing how to fashion art projects from recycled materials that is organized by Go Green and the Museum of Children's Art in Oakland. Musicians from the Pleasanton Youth Music Festival will provide entertainment. Admission is free. Anyone interested in volunteering at the event can call Julie Finegan at 931-5355.



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Library, 1188 S. Livermore Ave., Livermore. Admission is free. E-mail Frank, [Francisco20263@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Francisco20263@sbcglobal.net).

### Livermore Valley Wine Silent Auction

The Annual Livermore Valley Wine Silent Auction/Wine & Food Tasting will be held from 4-7 p.m., Sat., May 20 at the Wente Vineyards, 5050 Arroyo Rd., Livermore. Call 447-9463.

### Morgan Territory Hike for Women

Hike six miles through East Bay Regional Park from 8:50 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Sat., May 20. Fee is \$21. Call Sue, 484-0239 or visit [www.fitness-to-photos.com](http://www.fitness-to-photos.com).

### Motorcycle Festival

Axis Community Health is sponsoring its 2nd Annual Motorcycle Festival from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sat., May 20 at the Carnegie Building, 2155 Third St., Livermore. Call Henry, 201-6010 or visit [www.axishealth.org](http://www.axishealth.org).

### Muscle Car, Hot Rods & Art Fair

Hats Off America presents the 3rd Annual Muscle Car, Hot Rods and Art Fair from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat., May 20 and Sun., May 21 on the grass field at the corner of Bollinger Canyon Road and Camino Ramon, San Ramon. Admission is free. Call Sparky, 855-1950.

### Rotary Wine Train

Enjoy a two-hour train ride on the historic Niles Canyon Railway down scenic Niles Canyon 3 p.m., Sat., May 13. Enjoy wine from Livermore Valley's wineries, hor d'oeuvres, desserts and live music. Cost is \$20 adults, \$10 children, \$18 each for groups of 10 or more before Mon., May 1. Proceeds will benefit the Rotary Scholarship Fund. Call 447-4300.

### Sunday Stroll

Kiwanis Club presents "Sunday Stroll" 1:30 p.m., Sun., May 21 at Gay 90's Pizza, 288 Main St. Enjoy wine tasting and hors d'oeuvres for \$30. Tickets will not be sold the day of the event. Call Mike, 426-3849 or Vic, 484-0789.

### Travel Around the World

Garre Winery continues its "Travel Around the World" series. All events are on Fridays and start at 6 p.m. Enjoy "The French Connection with Live Jazz," May 12; "The Road to Madrid with Live Flamenco Guitar," May 19; and "The Greek Experience with Live Jazz," May 26. There will also be a special Mother's Day Champagne Brunch with Live Instrumental, 10 a.m., Sun., May 14 and "Bocce Ball & Italian Dinner," 5:30 p.m., Wed., May 17. Garre Winery is at 7986 Tesla Rd., Livermore. Cost is \$34.95. Reservations required. Call 371-8200.

### ZunZun!

Get your body moving to the Latin rhythms of ZunZun! 2 p.m., Sat., May 13 at the Pleasanton Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave. Admission is free. Call Sandy, 931-3412.

## Exhibits

### Transportation in the Valley

Transportation in the Valley focuses on methods of transportation including Native American footpaths, horse-drawn carriages and more. The exhibit will be display Sun., May 14 through Sun., June 4 at the Museum On Main, 603 Main St. Open house will be held from 1-3 p.m., Sun., May 14. Admission is \$2. Call 462-2766.

## Film

### Black and White

The Pleasanton Library and Las Positas College presents a series of classic black and white films 7 p.m. on the first Thursday monthly at Pleasanton Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave. Admission is free. Call Penny, 931-3405.

### Loose Change 2

"Loose Change 2," a film addressing the events of Sept. 11 will air 7 p.m., Sat., May 20 at IBEW Hall, 6250 Village Pkwy., Dublin. Admission is free. Call 462-3459.

## Events

### 11th Annual Spring to Success Luncheon

Celebrate the Seeds of Change planted by donors, volunteers, and clients with Wardrobe for Opportunity at the 11th Annual Spring to Success Luncheon from 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Fri., May 19 at the Marriott, 2600 Bishop Dr., San Ramon. Cost is \$75. Call (510) 463-4100, ext. 1 or visit [www.wardrobe.org](http://www.wardrobe.org).

### Bocce Ball and Italian Dinner

Enjoy a four-course Italian dinner served with three glasses of complimentary vineyard selection wine 5:30 p.m., Wed., May 17 at Garre Winery, 7986 Tesla Rd., Livermore. Cost is \$32.95. Reservations required. Call 371-8200.

### Bookstore Tour

Northern California Independent Booksellers Association is holding their first Independent Bookstore Tour from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat., May 13 beginning at the Walnut Creek BART station, 200 Ygnacio Valley Blvd. Cost is \$40 and includes a goodie bag, lunch, refreshments and reception. Call (415) 561-7686.

### Cancer Survivors

San Ramon Regional Medical Center is sponsoring "A Celebration in the Park" honoring all cancer survivors and their families from 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Sun., June 4 at Castle Rock Park, 1700 Castle Rock Rd., Walnut Creek. A free barbecue lunch will be provided from noon-2 p.m. Call 947-4447 by Wed., May 31 to RSVP.

### Chantelle

The Tri-Valley Women's Connection is hosting a brunch time event featuring "Chantelle" and the key to making every outfit look better from 9-11 a.m., Thurs., May 18 at the Radisson Hotel, 6680 Regional St., Dublin. Cost is \$17. Reservations and cancellations requested by Mon., May 15. Call Jan, 462-9142 or Jill, (510) 582-2351.

### Comedy/Walk-a-thon

The Tuberous Sclerosis Alliance is hosting a Comedy/Walk-a-thon in Jack London Square in Oakland starting at 9 a.m., Sun., May 21. Visit [www.tsalliance.org](http://www.tsalliance.org) for more information.

### Intergenerational Folk Dance and Dinner

Enjoy an evening of dining, music, and dancing at 6 p.m., Sat., May 20 at St. Clare's Episcopal Church, 3350 Hopyard Rd. Cost is \$10 adult, \$5 children 12 and under. All proceeds will help fund St. Clare's mission trip to Corozon, Mexico to help build a home for a poor family. Call 462-4802.

### Literary Showcase

The Tri-Valley Writers Association will be hosting a Literary Showcase where members will share samples of their work from prose to poetry 7-10 p.m., Wed., May 17 at the Civic Center

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Advanced Drawing Workshop (July 17–21)  
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Where in the World is Arty? (July 10 to 14; July 31 to August 4)  
 Arty, Monart's toucan mascot, is off for an adventure, exploring the world one continent at a time!

U.S.S. Time Travelers (August 7 to 11)  
 Jump on the Monart time machine & take a trip through American history!

Under the Sea (July 24 to 28; August 14 to 18)  
 Explore the great underwater world through arts and crafts!

Chloe, Age 11

Maia, Age 5

Camp sessions run Monday through Friday from 9:00 to 12:30. Call (925) 484-0126 or visit our web site for more information. Multi-family and multi-session discounts available!

## The Pleasanton Police Department Invites You To Their Open House!

**Saturday, May 13, 2006**  
**10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**  
**4833 Bernal Avenue**

- See demonstrations by the Traffic and K-9 units
- Meet your police officers and community service officers
- Take a tour of the station
- Visit information booths
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## Fundraisers

### Bingo

Choice for Children Education Foundation hosts Bingo at 4 p.m. every Sunday at Bingo Ranch, 3070 Pacific Ave., Livermore. All proceeds benefit Livermore Valley Charter School. Call Maria, 201-3422 or e-mail ccef@lvcs.org.

### Blankets for Babies

Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at ValleyCare and Lucile Packard are collecting sewn, knitted, and crocheted 24- or 36-inch blankets. Call 426-4307 or 426-9635.

### Dictionary Project

Bay East Association of Realtors partners with a national non-profit, The Dictionary Project, to provide dictionaries for third graders in local schools. There are more than 200 classes waiting to be adopted. One call per Realtor member. Call Marla, 730-3269 or e-mail marlak@bayeast.org.

### Entertainment Books

Entertainment books are on sale for \$25 available at the Aopticon Center, 273 Spring St. Proceeds go to Valley Humane Society programs. Call 426-8656.

### Family Garage Sale

The YMCA Child Development Center will host a 40+ family garage sale from 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Sat., May 20. All proceeds will go to the YMCA to support programs at the Child Development Center. Call (408) 750-0770.

### Kidsave's Summer Miracles

Buy raffle tickets for \$50 each or three for \$100. Only 2,000 tickets available. Winner will choose from two vacations, Monaco or Florida. All proceeds support Kidsave's Summer Miracles and Weekend Miracles programs. Drawing will be held 9 p.m., Sat., May 20. Call 310-479-5437.

### Recycle for Breast Cancer

Recycle electronics, empty ink jet and toner cartridges to support the fight against breast cancer. Free pick up, drop off, or prepaid envelopes and shipping labels available. Call Larry, 735-7203 or e-mail larry@recycleforbreastcancer.org.

## Health

### A Toast to Your Health

The Bishop Ranch Medical Event & Health Fair will be held from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and from 4-6 p.m., Wed., May 17 at Bishop Ranch 11, 2303 Camino Ramon, San Ramon. Admission is free. Call Monica, 866-0100.

### Exercise Class

The Pleasanton Department of Parks and Community Services offers a month-to-month 50 Fitness Plus class for seniors in the morning and Excitement Fitness class for those ages 13 and over in the evening at the Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Cost varies from \$3 to \$4.50 per class. Registration required. Call 931-5365 for 50 Fitness Plus and 931-5340 for Excitement Fitness.

### Need Volunteers for Health Survey

The Pleasanton Wellness Committee will be conducting a discussion and responding to the Family and Community Involvement portion of the School Health Index and invites administrators, staff and parents of elementary, middle and high school students to express their opinions from 7-9 p.m., Wed., May 24 at Alisal Exploration Room, 1454 Santa Rita Rd. Call Mary, 600-1428.

## Kids & Teens

### AAU Track & Field Sign Ups

Youths between 6-18 years of age are welcome to join the Tri-Valley Track Club. Practices are held 4 p.m. every Wednesday and 3 p.m. every Sunday at Sunset Park, 1040 Florence Rd., Livermore. Call 862-085 or 518-9356.

### Art Competition

Congressman Richard W. Pombo invites all high school students residing in the 11th Congressional District to participate in "An Artistic Discovery." Submit entries by Fri., May 12 at one of Pombo's district offices. Visit www.house.gov/pombo/students/students.htm.

### Dora the Explorer

Meet Dora the Explorer 11 a.m., Fri., May 26 at the Pleasanton Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave. Solve puzzles, learn a few Spanish words and sing the songs from the television show. Admission is free. Call 931-3400, ext. 8.

### Spring Fest 2006

High School teen ministry team of the Catholic Community of Pleasanton presents a night of performances by local teen bands, casino games and luau lounging from 7:30-11 p.m., Fri., May 12 at St. Augustine Parish Hall, 3999 Bernal Ave. E-mail Raquel, rcagigas@catholicsofpleasanton.org.

### Teen Tips

Tom McMahon, author of "Teen Tips," will be hosting a seminar for parents of children 10-14 years old on Tues., May 23 at Pure Girls, 660 Main St. Call 485-4380.

### Ten Star All Star Basketball Camp

Boys and girls age 10-19 are eligible to apply for the Ten Star All Star Summer Basketball Camp in Thousand Oaks, Calif. College basketball scholarships available for players selected to the All-American team. Call (704) 373-0873 for a free brochure.

## Lectures/ Workshops

### Disability and Social Security

The East Bay Cancer Support Group presents a seminar on disability and social security benefits 7 p.m., Thurs., May 18 at Faith Lutheran Church, 20080 Redwood Rd., Castro Valley. Call Pam, (510) 889-8766.

### Fraud and Punishment

The Institute of Management Accountants will be holding their technical meeting on "Fraud and Punishment" from 6-8:30 p.m., Wed., May 17 at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, 5990 Stoneridge Mall Rd. Cost is \$29 and includes dinner. Call Robert, (510) 304-1406 or e-mail rfhulin@theima.org to RSVP.

### "More Sales" workshop

eBig's Sales and Marketing SIG presents "All I Need Now is...More Sales!" from 6:30-9 p.m., Thurs., May 18 at the University of Phoenix, 7901 Stoneridge Dr. All eBig members are free, \$10 for non-members. Call 577-8454.

### Mt. Diablo Rose Society

Phil Edmunds from Edmunds Roses will present a PowerPoint presentation on "Rose Production: Where Do Those Roses Come From!" 7:30 p.m., Wed., May 17 at 100 Civic Plaza, Dublin. Call Barbara, 989-1748.

### Papier-Mache Wimsy

Learn techniques that spark your imagination and encourage creativity 2-4 p.m. every Tuesday at Village High School, 4645 Bernal Ave., room 207. Bring newspaper, roll of 1" masking

tape, and two wire coat hangers. Call 935-8972.

### Technology Ventures Corporation

Technology Ventures Corporation presents "Operations Start-Up, Monitoring, and Human Resources" from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Wed., May 24 at CarrAmerica Conference Center, 4400 Rosewood Dr. Admission is free. Call 960-1600 or register at www.123signup.com/calendar?org=techventures.

### The "Strong-Willed" Child

Learn how to tell your strong-willed child what you expect and how to avoid the power struggles between you and your child from 6:30-8:30 p.m., Wed., May 17 at Harvest Park Middle School, room A2, 4900 Valley Ave. Call 426-4280.

### Understanding Our Sons

Discuss the uniqueness and challenges in raising sons and learn how parents can help their sons cultivate emotional awareness and empathy from 6:30-8:30 p.m., Tuesdays, May 9, 16 and 23 at Harvest Park Middle School's multi-purpose room, 4900 Valley Ave. Call 426-4280.

## Live Music

### Blues Bands

Listen to the blues by Knee Action Blues from 7:30-10 p.m., Thurs., May 18 and Highwater Blues May 25 at the Pleasanton Hotel, 855 Main St. Call 846-8106.

### Blues Music

Enjoy the Blues from 7:30-10 p.m., Thursdays: May 4 with Shinola; May 11 with Amy Lou's Blues; May 18 with Knee Action Blues; and May 25 with Highwater Blues at the Pleasanton Hotel, 855 Main St. Admission is free. Call 846-8106.

## Miscellaneous

### Animal Adoption

Tri-Valley Animal Rescue hosts dog and cat adoptions 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturdays at Farmers Market at First St., noon-4 p.m., Dublin PetsMart. Cats are available noon-4 p.m., Saturdays excluding the 4th Sat. at Dublin Pet Food Express and excluding the 2nd and 4th Sat. at Livemore Pet Extreme. Cats are available 1-4 p.m., Sundays at Dublin PetsMart and Dublin Pet Food Express. Call 803-7043 or visit www.tvr.org.

### Artists' Flea Market

Pleasanton Art League will be selling new and used art supplies, equipment and original artwork at the "Artists' Flea Market," from 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Sat., May 20 at DeLucchi Park, 4551 1st St. Call Nancy, 462-5917 or Dorothy, 846-6726.

### Cooking Class

Prepare a complete dinner with the guidance of expert chefs and enjoy wine from Crooked Vine Winery on Mondays May 15 and 22 at the Pleasanton Hotel, 855 Main St. Cost

is \$85, \$35 for guests. Class includes recipe book and toque. Call 846-8106.

### Donate to Help Fight Cancer

Help fight cancer by donating new or gently used clothing and accessories, household items, and furniture to the American Cancer Discovery Shop, 1987-A Santa Rita Rd. Call 462-7374.

### Earthquakes: Writing Environmental History

Philip Fradkin presents "Earthquakes: Writing Environmental History," from noon-1:15 p.m., Tues., May 23 at Cal State East Bay, 25800 Carlos Bee Blvd. in the Biella room of the library. Admission is free. Call (510) 885-3183.

### Family Funshops

Learn the meaning behind Spanish-named cars, participate in silversmithing, make Mexican paper flowers and enjoy other activities from 1-4 p.m., Sun., May 21 at the Blackhawk Museum, 3700 Blackhawk Plaza Cir., Danville. Call 736-2280.

### Family Read Night

Read stories and craft with the family at Family Read Night, offered in English and Spanish. Admission is free. Space is limited so registration is required. Call Donnamarie, 249-3923 for dates and locations.

### Farmers Market

Shop for fresh produce, flowers, and baked goods from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. every Saturday on West Angela Street between Main and First streets. Call 825-9090.

### Open Heart Kitchen

Open Heart Kitchen provides hot meals to the underprivileged from 4:30-6 p.m. every Friday at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1225 Hopyard Rd., noon-6 p.m.; every Tuesday and Wednesday at Asbury United Methodist Church, 4743 East Ave., Livermore; and 4-6 p.m. every Thursday at Vineyard Christian Fellowship, 460 N. Livermore St., Livermore. Call Carol, 580-1616.

### Poetry Open Mic

Beginners and long-time writers bring up to 10 minutes of poetry to share for the open mic or listen to poetry from 7-9 p.m. every third Thursday monthly at Used and Rare Bookstore, 2911 Hopyard Rd. Call Michelle, 931-5350 or e-mail mrusso@ci.pleasanton.ca.us.

### Sweet Tomatoes Welcomes Moms

This Mother's Day Sweet Tomatoes will serve their special warm Cinnamon Chip Biscuits with Buttercream Glaze and all-you-can-eat buffet for \$7.29 from 11 a.m.-8 p.m., Sun., May 14 at 4501 Hopyard Rd. Call 463-9285.

### Traveling Tales

Pleasanton Civic Arts Manager Andy Jorgensen will tell Traveling Tales from 7-8:30 p.m., Thurs., May 18 at Lynnwood United Methodist Church, 4444 Black Ave. Admission is \$5 for Museum on Main members and \$10 for non-members. Call 462-2766.

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## On Stage

### Comedy Wednesday

John DeKoven's Comedy Showcase is every second and fourth Wednesday monthly at Main Street Brewery, 830 Main St. Cover charge is \$7 with a two drink minimum. Call 264-4413 or visit [www.trivalleycomedy.com](http://www.trivalleycomedy.com).

### One Act Play Festival

Amador Valley High School Drama presents the 2nd Annual Student-Written and Directed One Act Play Festival 7:30 p.m., Thurs., May 18 and Fri., May 19 at Amador Valley High, 1155 Santa Rita Rd. Tickets are \$3 for students, \$5 for adults. Call Kelsey, 461-6100, ext. 6197.

### Spring Performance 2006

Danville Ballet Company and students

from Ballet and Theatre Arts present "Spring Performance 2006." Shows are 7:30 p.m., Fri., May 12 and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., Sat., May 13 at the Amador Theater, 1155 Santa Rita Rd. Tickets are \$22 adults and \$20 for children age 12 or younger and seniors. Call 931-3444.

### The Typographer's Dream

"The Typographer's Dream" will be presented by the Encore Theatre Company of San Francisco 3 p.m., Sun., May 21 at the Old Barn Tao House, Danville. Tickets are \$20. Call 820-1818.

## Recreation

### Enrichment Classes

Pleasanton Parks and Recreation offers enrichment classes ranging from art, aquatics, sports, health and cooking at 200 Old Bernal Ave. Call 931-5340 or visit [www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us/parks.html](http://www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us/parks.html).

## Seniors

### Bingo

Play Bingo 12:30-3 p.m. on the first, third, and fifth Monday monthly and 1-3 p.m. every Friday at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Cost is \$1.25 for residents, \$1.75 non-residents. Game cards are 50 cents. Call 931-5365.

### Emotional Wellness Group

Learn more about depression, anxiety, and how medications and alcohol may affect emotional well-being 2 p.m. every other Thursday at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Call Charlene or Jode, 931-5382.

### Friday Night Dance

Join the crowd for ballroom dancing once a month at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Tickets are \$7 for residents, \$8 non-residents. Singles welcome. Reservations required. Call 931-5365.

### Internet Access Workstation

The internet workstation is available 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Mon-Fri. and 9 a.m.-noon most Saturdays. Cost is \$1.25 for residents, \$1.75 non-residents. Call 931-5365.

### Luncheons

The Dublin Senior Center hosts special luncheons on the second Thursday monthly at the Senior Center, 7600 Amador Valley Blvd., Dublin. Call 556-4511 or visit [www.ci.dublin.ca.us](http://www.ci.dublin.ca.us). Reservations needed by the Friday prior to the luncheon.

### Movie Madness

Seniors are invited to watch free movies on the big screen 1 p.m. on the first and third Monday monthly at the Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Popcorn and refreshments available. Call 931-5365.

### Paratransit Service

The paratransit service provides door-to-door bus service to seniors 65 and older, and individuals with disabilities of any age and is available 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Mon-Fri., and 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sat. Call 931-5376.

### Personal Computers Group

Meets 10 a.m.-noon the fourth Thursday monthly at Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Cost is \$1.25 for residents, \$1.75 non-residents. Call 931-5365 or e-mail [please-nior@yahoo.com](mailto:please-nior@yahoo.com).

### Senior Dinner

Open Heart Kitchen provides seniors

60 years and older with an evening meal from 4-6 p.m., Mon-Fri. at Ridgeview Commons, 4200 Case Ave. Suggested donation is \$3. Call 484-5131 for reservations.

### Senior Lunch

Spectrum Community Services provides seniors 60 years and older with a noon meal at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Suggested donation is \$3.25. Call 931-5385 for reservations.

### V.I.P. Senior Club

Meets from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays monthly at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Call 931-5385.

### Woodshop Program

The woodshop program is open from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. every Tuesday at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Drop-in fees are \$1.75 for residents and \$2.75 for non-residents. Call 931-5365 for additional drop-in hours.

## Spiritual

### Community Bible Study

An interdenominational bible study invites women in the community to a study of Ephesians from 9:30-11:30 a.m. every Thursday until May 18, at 4300 Mirador Dr. Childcare is available. Call 820-3481.

### Faith Chapel Assembly of God

Sunday school for all ages begins at 9:30 a.m., worship at 10:30 a.m., and Children's Church Program (ages 3-12) at 11:15 a.m. Every Wednesday the Women's Bible Study meets at 10 a.m., Choir Practice and Boys & Girls Mission Crusade Club (grades K-5) all begin at 7 p.m. Singles and Young Married home bible study meets at 7:30 p.m. every Thursday. Seniors 55+ meets at 7 p.m. the third Thursday of each month. Call Sophia, 846-8650.

### Tri-Valley Unity Church

Tri-Valley Unity Church meets 10 a.m. every Sunday at the Radisson Hotel, 6680 Regional St., Dublin. Worship service and children's school will be offered as well. Call 829-2733 or visit [www.trivalleyunity.com](http://www.trivalleyunity.com). Note: Tri-Valley Unity Church will meet on Sun., May 14 at Old St. Raymond's Church, 6600 Donolon Wy., Dublin.

## Sports

### Athenian Athletics

This track and field club's mission is to promote the development of all levels of track and field athletes in any season or sport to make them faster, stronger, and healthier. Applications for the summer and year-round youth programs are now being accepted. Call 518-9356 or visit [www.athenianathletics.com](http://www.athenianathletics.com).

### Sea Devils

The Tri-Valley Sea Devils team is looking for year-round swimmers. Call Hope, 469-8495.

## Support Groups

### Cancer Support Group

The Cancer Support Group meets from 2-4 p.m., every Tuesday at the ValleyCare Health Library and Ryan Comer Cancer Resource Center, 5725

W. Las Positas Blvd., Suite 270. Call 933-0107.

### Lupus Support

The group meets from 7-9 p.m. on the first Friday monthly at Kaiser Permanente Medical Center's north building conference room C, 7601 Stoneridge Drive. Call 846-5767.

### Men at Work

This Al-Anon group meets from 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays at the Pleasanton Presbyterian Church, 4300 Mirador Drive. Call Tom, 417-7540.

### Men's Support Group

Anthropos Counseling Center provides support for men to improve personal growth and change and become aware of emotional habits and attitude. Group meets from 7-8:30 p.m. every Friday, 326 S. L St., Livermore. Call 449-7925.

### Narconon Arrowhead

Narconon Arrowhead offers free addiction counseling, assessments and referrals to rehabilitation centers nationwide. Call (800) 468-6933 or visit [www.stopaddiction.com](http://www.stopaddiction.com).

### Newcomers to Al-Anon

This group, for those who are new to Al-Anon and anyone who is affected by someone else's drinking, meets 7-7:55 p.m. Thursdays at John Knox Presbyterian Church, 7421 Amarillo Road, Room H, Dublin. Call 277-7661.

### Operation SAM

The group, offering emotional support to families with loved ones in the military, meets at 7 p.m., the second Monday monthly at the Livermore Police Station, 1110 S. Livermore Ave. Call Kristin, 443-7841.

### Overeaters Anonymous

Meetings are held from 7-8 p.m., Thursdays at St. Clare's Episcopal Church, 3350 Hopyard Road. Call Lisa, 931-0994.

### Parenting Again

This group, offering information and support to grandparents raising their grandchildren, meets at 5:30 p.m. on the second Saturday monthly in the fireside room in Valley Christian Center, 7500 Inspiration Drive, Dublin. Call 560-6200.

### Parents of Alcoholics

Parents of alcoholics are welcome to join this Al-Anon group that meets 4:30-5:30 p.m. and at 6:30-7:30 p.m. Sundays at CalFed Bank, 3101 Crow Canyon Road, San Ramon. Call 277-7661.

### Parents of Diabetics

The POD Squad, a support group for parents of diabetics, meets from 7-8:30 p.m. the third Wednesday monthly, September-May, at the Laguna Oaks neighborhood clubhouse. Call 461-1170 or visit [www.podsquad.com](http://www.podsquad.com).

### Parkinson's Support Group

The Parkinson's Network of Mount Diablo and the city of Pleasanton co-sponsor a support group for the Tri-Valley area from 10 a.m.-noon on the second Saturday monthly at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Call 931-5366.

### Pleasanton Senior Grief Group

Not limited to seniors, this group is open to all grief issues. It meets from 10-11:30 a.m. on the second and fourth Fridays at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Call 931-5366.

### Prostate Cancer Support Group

Men with prostate cancer and their families are welcome to Man to Man, a support group that meets from 7:30-9 p.m., on the second Tuesday monthly in the West Day Room in the south building at San Ramon Regional Medical Center, 7777 Norris Canyon Road. Call 933-0107.

### Prostate Cancer Survivors

Tri-Valley Us Too, a support group for prostate cancer survivors, invites husbands and wives to its meetings held at 7:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month at the Kaiser offices, 7601 Stoneridge Drive. Men are also invited to meetings held at 7:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month at the same location. Call 846-7460.

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**Self Help for the Hard of Hearing**

Tri-Valley Section of SHHH meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month at Valley Community Church, 4455 Del Valle Parkway. Refreshments served. Call 455-6591.

**Sexual Assault Support Group**

Tri-Valley Haven's support group for women 18 years and older helps provide understanding support for assault survivors. The group meets from 6:45-8:15 p.m., every Thursday. Call April, 449-5845, Ext. 126.

**Six Sigma Lean Enterprise Practitioners**

Members of this group should have Six-Sigma, Lean or Project Management experience to discuss real world challenges. The group meets at 7 p.m., premeeting is at 6:30 p.m., every fourth Wednesday of the month, Winecentives, 6040 Dougherty Road, Dublin. Call 485-1699 or visit fredlafontaine@yahoo.com.

**Stroke Support Group**

ValleyCare Health System is holding a Stroke Support Group the last Thurs. of every month from 5-6:30 p.m. at ValleyCare Medical Center in the Cafeteria. This is free and open to the public. Call 447-7000 ext. 5247.

**Survival to Recovery**

The focus of these meetings is for persons who grew up in an alcoholic home or who were affected by the drinking of one or both parents. The group, a part of Al-Anon, meets 2-3:30 p.m. Sundays at the St. Philips Lutheran Church, 8850 Davona Dr., Room 10-A., Dublin. Call 277-7661.

**Temporary Restraining Order Clinic**

This clinic is for victims of domestic violence and/or sexual assault and meets 5:30-7:30 p.m. every Monday in Pleasanton. Call Raeanne at 449-5845, ext. 111.

**Tri-Valley ADHD Adult Support Group**

This group meets at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of every month at Lynnewood United Methodist Church, 4444 Black Ave. Call Pattie, 548-4247.

**Troubled Hearing**

Join the Hearing Loss Association of America 7:30 p.m., Thurs., May 18 at Valley Community Church, 4455 Del Valle Pkwy. Admission is free. Call Hiram, 455-9591 or e-mail hvanblarigan@hotmail.com.

**Vision Support Group**

This is for individuals and their loved ones who have any kind of vision impairment and meet from 10-11:30 a.m. on the third Tuesday of every month at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Call Jill, 931-5369.

**TV30**

**Everything Local**

Join Eboni Warnking for a look inside San Ramon's Puppy Playland and find out where to get gourmet chocolate in the Tri-valley at 8 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 9 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. on Sun., May 14 on channel 30.

**School Board Meeting**

The Pleasanton School Board Meeting from Tues., May 9 will air at 6 p.m., Sun., May 14 on channel 28.

**ValleyCare**

Learn about childhood obesity, its causes and how to counteract it. LifestyleRx youth trainers will talk about keeping kids fit and having fun over the summer at 8:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., Sat., May 13 on channel 30.

**Volunteering**

**Alameda County Community Food Bank**

Volunteers are needed to staff the Emergency Food Hotline from 9 a.m.-noon and 1-4 pm., Mon-Fri. Call (510) 834-3663 or visit www.accfb.org.

**Assistance League**

Assistance League, a nonprofit organization, is looking for volunteers to assist with ongoing philanthropic projects and meets at 7 p.m., the third Thursday of every month at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1225 Hopyard Rd. Call 484-1354 or visit www.amador-valleyassistanceleague.org.

**Community Service for Teens**

Open Heart Kitchen's Ridgeview Commons Senior Meal Program needs 10-12 teens (at least 16 years of age) from 3:30-6:30 p.m., Mon.-Fri. Job includes serving seniors from the buffet line, helping seniors get to their tables, bussing tables, cleaning, etc. Adults also welcome to apply. Call 580-1619.

**Foster Homes Needed**

Valley Humane Society, 273 Spring St., is urgently seeking temporary homes for rescued kittens, puppies, cats and dogs. Food and medical expenses are provided. Also needed are Adoption Volunteer Coordinators and counselors. Call 426-8656 or visit www.valleyhumane.org.

**Jewish Community Federation**

Jewish Community Federation of the Greater East Bay offers opportunities to volunteer within the community, such as serving meals, tutoring children, and serving on Jewish agency committees or boards. Call (510) 839-2900, ext. 261.

**Museum Volunteer**

Come and learn about upcoming events and special programs at 9 a.m. on the fourth Wednesday of every month at the Museum On Main Street, 603 Main St. Call Heather, 462-2766.

**Open Heart Kitchen**

If you love to cook and have a passion to end hunger, volunteer at Open Heart Kitchen, the Tri-Valley's only free hot meal service for the needy. There are many volunteer opportunities for teens and adults. Call Dianne, 580-1619 or e-mail dadamson@openheart-kitchen.org.

**Senior Center Volunteers**

The Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., has an array of daytime volunteer opportunities available to adults of any age including receptionist, bingo caller, teacher's aide and lunch program assistant. Call Raymond Figueroa, 931-5366.

**Shepard's Gate**

Volunteer at Shepard's Gate Shelter, 1660 Portola Ave., Livermore or their thrift stores, 7381 Amador Valley Blvd., Dublin, and 1362 Railroad Ave., Livermore any time Mon-Fri. Call Lyn, 443-4283, ext. 217.

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The American Cancer Discovery Shop needs volunteers any time from 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Mon.-Thurs., from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Fri.-Sat., or from noon-5 p.m., Sun. Call 462-7374.

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Tri-Valley Animal Rescue will host two volunteer/shelter orientations from 1-2:30 p.m., Sat., May 13 and Sun., May 28 at the East County Animal Shelter, 4595 Gleason Dr., Dublin. Call Cathy, 426-2472.

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Volunteers are needed at ValleyCare Medical Center. With nine volunteer service areas in Pleasanton and Livermore, opportunities are available at the information desk, office, library, gift and thrift shop. Call 734-3368.

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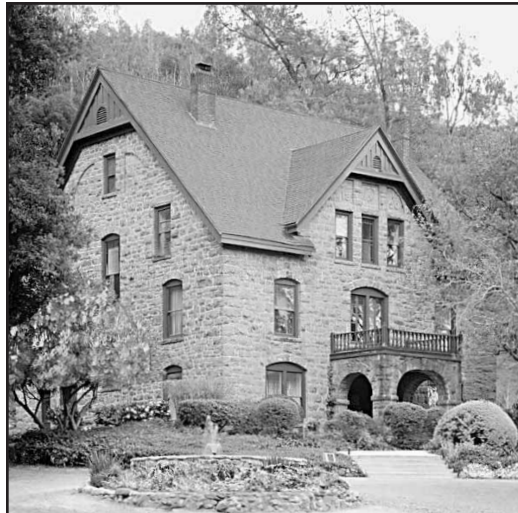
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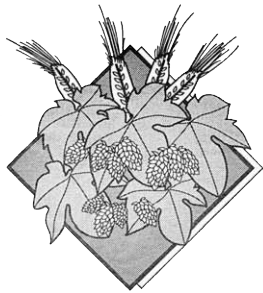
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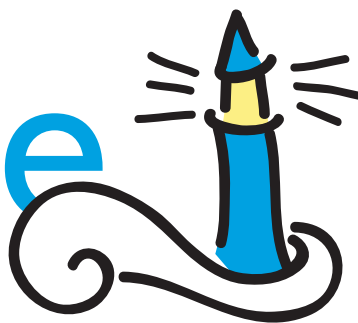
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