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# Around Pleasanton

by Jeb Bing

## Once near death, Joe Jones rides bike to L.A.

It was 1989 and Pleasanton Housing Commissioner Joe Jones was just 29, lying on an emergency room gurney at Valley Memorial Hospital in Livermore near death after suffering a massive cerebral brain hemorrhage. A neurosurgeon told his wife Kathy that Joe had about a 5 percent chance to live, later changing that to what he considered a more optimistic outlook of a lifetime in a nursing home as a complete invalid.

Today, Joe and his good friend Rob Gibbs, a Pleasanton businessman, are nearing the end of a 565-mile, seven-day bicycle ride to Los Angeles, having left the Cow Palace last Sunday morning along with a record 2,300 cyclists from 10 countries and 43 states who are part of the AIDS/LifeCycle ride that so far has raised \$11 million in the effort to combat AIDS.

The ride is quite an accomplishment for both men. Jones is paralyzed on much of his left side, with no use of his arm and about an 80 percent recovery in his leg. He has little vision in his left eye and no left-side perimeter vision out of either eye. Gibbs was 50 years old when he met Jones three years ago at a backyard barbecue. At one time a fit and trim high school and college wrestler, he weighed in at 255 and was gaining, with high blood pressure.

The chance meeting—Gibb's daughter Michelle was dating Jones' son Justin—probably saved Gibbs from a heart attack and also gave Jones the partner he needed to pursue major cycling events on his special recumbent tricycle. That day, Jones showed Gibbs the 10-foot-long Australian two-seater tandem cycle made by Greenspeed. The two peddled up to Danville and back, Gibbs puffing all the way, but determined to join Jones in a vigorous lifestyle change.

Since that chance meeting, the two started cycling 150 miles a week, usually to Concord, Castro Valley, Sunol and then back up the

Bernal grade to Jones' home on Touriga Drive. Jones sits in front, working the 72 gears and peddling and steering the front two wheels with only his right foot and hand, with Gibbs in the back peddling a bit harder (Jones' knees still give him trouble). They have clocked more than 8,700 miles together, before this week's AIDS Ride. They've entered competitions in Solvang, Paso Robles and elsewhere, with Gibbs now weighing just 200 pounds and having normal blood pressure. For Gibbs' wife Catherine and their two daughters, Michelle and Catherine, it's comforting to know Gibbs is feeling well again.

For Jones, a former mechanical design engineer who is serving his second four-year term on the Housing Commission, cycling is his lifeline to staying healthy. An accomplished skier and tennis champion in his younger years, Jones thought he was physically fit. Then one night he was lying in bed with Kathy watching the news on TV when he was hit with an excruciating headache. When he moved his arms up to place under his head, the left arm wouldn't move. Getting up to walk it off, he fell off the bed and his left side was completely paralyzed. Paramedics rushed him to Valley Memorial, and sucked out a tangerine-size clot, but not before it had destroyed brain cells in the right hemisphere. Once released to a rehab institution, Jones was determined to make the best of a tough situation, finally finding the special cycles Greenspeed makes for handicapped people in his situation.

Today, thanks to his determination and cycling, few know the situation he's been through. For Jones, his wife and their sons Justin and Trenton, he's a regular part of the family. With the Gibbs, they'll be on hand at the West Los Angeles Veterans Administration Center Saturday to greet the riders and drive them home to Pleasanton. ■



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Foothill and Amador Valley high school graduates (l-r) Jennifer Vincent, Christopher Kyer, Philip Auyang, Emma Holmquist, Sam Tillis and Megan McWilliams look toward the future of college life outside of Pleasanton. Cover design by Shannon Corey.

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# Streetwise

**Q:** New plans call for a suicide barrier on the Golden Gate Bridge. Should it be built?

Asked Downtown



**Katie Wales**  
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I know this will sound cold, but I think they should not build it. Someone who has the intent to do away with themselves is going to find a way to do it one way or another.

**Kelli Jones**

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No. If people want to jump off of the bridge, they are going to find a way to do it. Building a barrier will change the structural integrity and design of the bridge, possibly compromising the safety and original vision of the bridge.



**John Kinnear**

Teacher

I am conflicted about the idea. Building one would give people another opportunity to think about their decision to take their life, how it may affect their families and loved ones. Negatively, it would change the aesthetics and beauty of the bridge. We would be changing a monument.



**Alex Watson**

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I'd like to see a suicide barrier put up. Any time you can save the lives of people that are obviously confused, it is well worth the cost. My concern is the preservation of life. That is what I value, not whether the appearance of the bridge will change. I'd like to see it go up.



**Pete LaFond**

Loan Officer

I'm surprised they didn't do it 20 years ago. I realize there have been money issues and aesthetic issues, but if you can prevent someone from losing their life, it is well worth doing. It's my understanding that the Golden Gate Bridge has the most suicides of any bridge in the United States; it's about time they did something.



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# Newsfront

## News Digest

### Registration open for Rotary Club's Spirit Run

The Rotary Club of Pleasanton will hold its 14th Spirit Run downtown on Father's Day, June 17. More than 1,200 runners are expected to participate in the race, with the 10K starting at 8 a.m. and the 5K at 8:30 a.m. Proceeds support the club's scholarship program. Advanced registration is \$25 for adults and high school students and \$15 for middle and elementary school students. Race-day registration is also available. To register, visit [www.spiritrn.com](http://www.spiritrn.com).

### Republican strategist to speak at the Sheraton

Dan Schnur, one of California's leading media strategists, will be the guest speaker at the June 14 meeting of the Tri-Valley Republican Women Federated beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Sheraton Pleasanton Hotel, 5990 Stoneridge Mall Road. New members and visitors are welcome. The cost is \$26 for club members, \$30 for nonmembers. Reservation deadline is today. Call 426-1995.

### Women's knee replacement surgery seminar set

San Ramon Regional Medical Center presents a community seminar on knee replacement surgery for women from 7 to 8:30 p.m. June 12 in the south building, 7777 Norris Canyon Road, San Ramon. Attendees will learn about artificial knee joints designed specially for women and orthopedic surgeon John Frazier is presenting. Orthopedic nurse manager Laura Wilcox and director of therapy services Dina Olson will discuss hospitalization and rehabilitation. Men are welcome to attend. This is a free seminar, but space is limited and reservations are required. Call (800) 284-2878 anytime.

### Oak Grove project to be heard June 13

After a number of delays, the Oak Grove project, which includes the construction of 51 custom homes on 562 acres in return for nearly 500 acres of city-dedicated open space in the southeast hills, will go before the Planning Commission at 7 p.m. June 13. The proposal is being put forward by the Lin family.

## Pleasanton bans medical marijuana facilities

*Police cite crime, drug abuse at dispensaries in other locations*

by Jeb Bing

The City Council voted unanimously Tuesday to ban medical marijuana dispensaries from operating in Pleasanton. The move follows similar decisions in nearby cities.

The action superseded a temporary moratorium that the council had imposed for a year, which was scheduled to expire in August.

Although banning the dispensaries, the council left the door open for further consideration of allowing medical marijuana sales on a prescription basis if the federal

government approves legislation to give states the right to allow its sales. Currently, the Federal Drug Administration considers medical marijuana a prohibited controlled substance that cannot be dispensed or sold in the U.S.

In 1996, however, California voters, including a majority of those voting in Pleasanton, passed Proposition 215, the Compassionate Use Act, that legalized marijuana for medical uses. That put California law in direct conflict with federal law, which local municipal officials, including City Attorney Michael Roush, have

said complicates enforcement.

Even so, medical marijuana dispensaries have opened in a number of California cities, including in Berkeley, Oakland and San Francisco, as well as in county locations in Pacheco, Richmond, Hayward, San Lorenzo and Castro Valley.

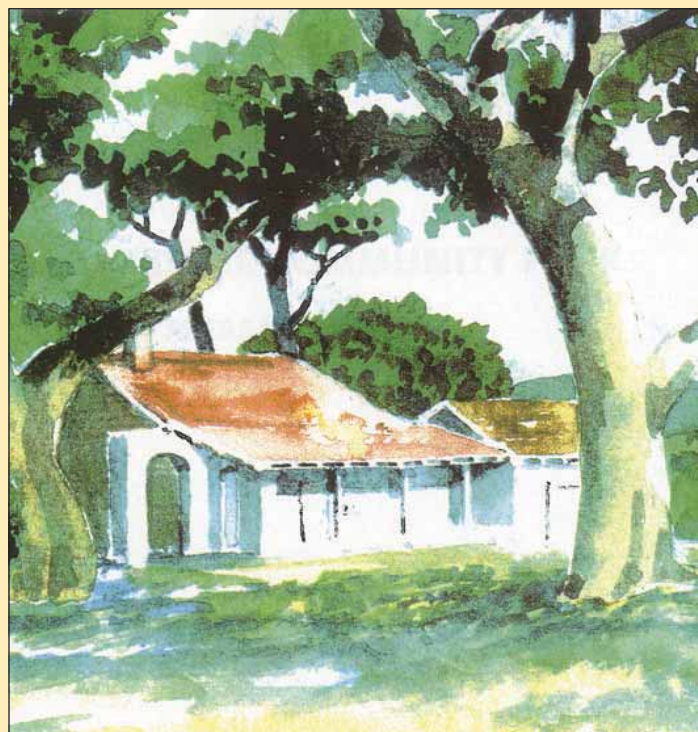
Alameda County cities which have adopted prohibitions on medical marijuana dispensaries include Dublin, Livermore, Fremont, Newark, Union City, and now Pleasanton.

Both Roush and Police Chief Michael Fraser told the council

Tuesday that they oppose licensing medical marijuana dispensaries in Pleasanton. They said cities that have allowed these dispensaries have often seen crime increase in those areas and buyers often selling their purchases to those without authorization once outside the dispensary.

"While crime related to dispensary operations would be a major concern if dispensaries were allowed to operate in Pleasanton," Roush said in a report to the council, "the most significant concern is the likely diversion of medical

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This is an artist sketch of the Alviso Adobe when restored.

## City OKs \$5.3 million for new adobe park

*Historic site once home to Indians, Spanish, dairy farm*

The City Council Tuesday approved a proposed \$5.3-million construction and restoration project that will create a 6-acre Alviso Adobe Community Park, to be located across from the Laguna Oaks community at 3461 Old Foothill Road.

The project, first discussed in 1995 and then detailed in the city's draft Master Plan report in May 2000, has seen continued delays both because of funding requirements and also planning changes. When completed late next year, the new park and historical site will offer a

unique opportunity to learn more about the heritage of the city of Pleasanton.

"This community park would provide residents of Pleasanton a new millennium opportunity to learn first-hand about the Ohlone Native Americans, the Spanish-Mexicans and the 19th century dairy industry—legacies of the past," wrote Lydiksen Elementary School teacher David Hartman in a Pleasanton Weekly article in 2000.

Hartman, along with the

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## Zone 7 tapping into emergency reserves

*Action is in wake of Delta water pump shutdown*

by Janet Pelletier

Zone 7 Water Agency has been tapping into its emergency water supply after it was announced last Thursday that the pumps supplying Pleasanton with water from the Delta were shut down.

The Delta pumps have been the subject of litigation since mid-April, when an Alameda County judge finalized an order to shut off the pumps in 60 days. The action came in response to the California Sportfishing Protection Alliance, which filed a lawsuit that claimed the California Department of Water Resources wasn't complying with the state Endangered Species Act

by not having the proper permits to kill smelt and salmon that pass through the pumps.

The Department of Water Resources, in a voluntary move, opted to shut down the pumps to protect the smelt, according to Boni Brewer, a spokeswoman for Zone 7. The department plans to curtail pumping for all regions in the state until the fish move away from the pumps. The department's action doesn't erase the lawsuit.

Zone 7 receives 80 percent of its supply from the Delta and the shutoff is particularly dire for a city like Pleasanton, which receives 80 percent of its water from Zone 7 and the remainder from city wells.

Zone 7 has, in response, been activating its groundwater well operations.

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## Home Depot project blocked again by protests

*Council calls for a 'pause' to look again at impact on traffic, businesses*

If a second Home Depot is ever built in Pleasanton, it's likely to be one of the most debated, researched and analyzed home improvement centers the company has ever opened.

Once again Tuesday, the City Council delayed a final go-ahead for a multi-million-dollar retail center at the southeast corner of Bernal Avenue and Stanley Boulevard, across from McDonald's, in deference to objections from a citizens' group and hundreds of emails sent to council members.

The citizens' group, Stop Pleasanton Gridlock, has mar-

shaled its forces to block the project, which was approved 4-1 by the council at its May 15 meeting. It also had been approved earlier by the Planning Commission in a similar 4-1 vote.

Tuesday, the council was expected to have the required second reading of the ordinance finalizing its approval. That item, on a consent calendar not requiring a full public hearing, was pulled just as the meeting got under way.

"Since the City Council meeting of May 15 where this matter

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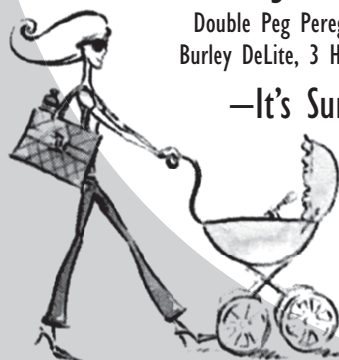
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Charles Huff

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**Union Jack Pub  
to be demolished**

*New two-story building to house  
a restaurant will take its place*

by Janet Pelletier

The building formerly known as the Union Jack Pub next to Cattelan's Antique Furniture Market on Main Street won't be around for much longer.

shuttered bar down and construct a two-story structure in its place.

Developer Michael O'Callaghan explained the plans to the Planning Commission at its meeting May

A local developer will knock the

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## Union Jack

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30 where he was met with a 5-0 approval from commissioners.

The owner of the building is Michael Periclis. Well-known local resident Charles Huff is the architect on the project.

Huff said the historic building, dating back to the 1880s, will be demolished in the next couple months.

The new building will be Monterey-mission style and will feature a second story with a balcony. While the tenant of the building hasn't been determined, it's planned to house a single restaurant on both floors, with the second floor having an outdoor dining feel. O'Callaghan said it would be the first of its kind in the downtown.

Al Bronzini, who owns the Cattelan's Antique Furniture Market building at 719 Main St., said he's relieved to see something other than the Union Jack Pub.

"Having been a neighbor of the Union Jack Pub, I don't think anyone needs to hear again how happy I am with this project moving forward," he said.

While the British pub was nominated by Pleasanton Weekly readers in 2004 as the best place for "boys' night out," it was a nuisance for neighboring businesses and residents.

After receiving a number of complaints about vandalism, noise and public drunkenness, and having problems dealing with the city and his business partner, owner Richard Ressler decided in February 2005 to close the establishment at 725 Main St.

At that time, the Planning Commission reviewed Union Jack's conditional use permit and made a ruling that anyone who takes over the business must comply with new regulations to stop serving alcohol earlier than was required before. The building has been vacant ever since.

The new structure will be approximately 4,800-square-foot and will include a 720-square-foot apartment to the rear of the second story.

The building will be 34-feet-tall at its highest point and is planned to be a rust color with terra cotta roof tiles. Planter baskets will adorn the facade of the building facing Main Street. Outdoor seating is planned on the street level and the building would be set back to accommodate that. The alley way in the back of the building will be redone to look nicer and more inviting, O'Callaghan added.

The Union Jack Pub building was built circa 1880 by A.D. Irwin, according to Huff, who is also a historian and on the board of the Museum on Main. It had an ice cream parlor in the front and a speakeasy in the back. For a time, it was known as Mel's Wagon Wheel. Huff said the building has been renovated, but is fairly worn down.

Construction on the new building will begin this fall and will be completed next spring or summer. ■

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## Home Depot

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was reviewed and considered, there have been several comments raised by members of our community that additional information should be reviewed and considered prior to final reading of this ordinance," City Manager Nelson Fialho told the council.

"So, in the spirit of open and honest communication and transparency, which Pleasanton has a long history of, staff will be continuing this item," he explained. "During this period, which may take

approximately two to three months to complete, we will convene meetings with various stakeholders to review and test assumptions and to allow for a better understanding of the proposed development conditions."

The planning effort leading up to the council's consideration on May 15 took more than two years to process through the city's planning review process. This work included public workshops, as well as several Planning Commission and City Council meetings.

"Every step of the way we have led by example, with special emphasis placed on problem-solving and

integrity," Fialho said. "Given the concerns raised, it is important that we pause the approval process to deal with perceptions and concerns surrounding this project and to put forward information that is factually oriented."

"We can all agree to disagree, respectfully; that is what makes this community so great," Fialho added. "But we all owe it to ourselves (pro or con) to have a common understanding of facts, not perceptions, before we leap to a final decision."

Council members seemed particularly concerned at statistics and other information that was disseminated by the citizens' group and

sent by email that conflicted with the city's own studies and those of outside consultants. Some also objected to the council's integrity being questioned by those opposed to the Home Depot project.

Councilman Matt Sullivan, who voted against the retail center project, said the "pause" in acting on the Home Depot bid will give planners a chance to determine the impact of the store on small, independent businesses, including nearby hardware stores and other retailers.

Home Depot, as proposed, would be part of a major retail center on the undeveloped 14.7-acre site. It

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## Adobe park

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Museum on Main and Jim Wolfe, director of Parks and Community Services, campaigned vigorously to save and restore the adobe, which is now a deteriorating building barely visible on a hillside overlooking Foothill Drive.

In its action Tuesday, the council awarded the restoration and construction project to JFC Construction of Martinez in the amount of \$4,393,855. With other funds needed, the total will be \$5,344,536.

JFC will be responsible for building the historically-themed 6-acre community park, including restoration of the adobe structure, reconstruction of the historic milking barn and fabrications and installation of the museum-style historic interpretive program that could be run by the Museum on Main.

Construction of the park's parking lot, entrance roadway and related features at the project's southern end will be completed by the developer of an eight-home subdivision on adjacent acreage with the associated costs to be paid by the city.

The site now consists of undeveloped parkland and the adobe, officially named the Francisco Alviso Adobe in the California Register of Historical Resources. It was one of the first adobes built in California. Part of the original Mission San

Jose in the 18th century, the site was included in a land grant to 8,680 acres to Alviso.

Plans for the hillside park include replicating the early 20th century Meadowlark Dairy barn, a bunkhouse and an adobe brick-making area.

The new community park "will be a walk through three periods of

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Actually, archaeological digs show that the site has been in use at least since the fourth millennium B.C., with the influx and occupation of the land by the predecessors of the Ohlone Indians.

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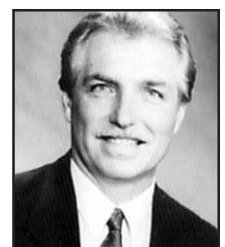
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## Zone 7

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The water agency is planning for the worst if the shutdown lasts longer than the end of this week.

In that case, the agency would draw water stored in Lake Del Valle and in the local underground water basin. It's also possible Zone 7 could be imposing conservation measures of residents.

"At this time, we're asking people to use water wisely," said Jill Duerig, general manager for Zone 7. "It only makes sense. It's a dry year anyway and with the uncertainties, it's only prudent to ask people to conserve."

As a result of relying more heavily on groundwater during the Delta pump outage, Duerig said the water will be harder, or contain more minerals, than usual.

"Drastic times call for drastic measures," said DWR Director Lester Snow. "While there are clearly many factors at play in the current decline of smelt in the Delta, we must act on the one that is within our control. That is why DWR will stop pumping in the Delta as a preventative measure to protect endangered fish that are currently located near our facilities."

The smelt began appearing at the Harvey O. Banks plant near Tracy May 24 and have been increasing in numbers in recent days.

"This is another indication that the Delta is broken and needs to be fixed," Snow said. "Gov. Schwarzenegger time and again has said that we need to invest in our water systems, including more storage, conservation and a long-term strategy for the Delta."

Last year, Schwarzenegger appointed a Blue Ribbon Task Force to recommend future actions for the Delta. In addition, state and federal agencies and environmental groups signed a planning agreement last September and are developing the Bay Delta Conservation Plan for at-risk fish species to provide a framework for future action. Zone 7 is among those participating in the effort. ■



Job Bing

## Downtown gas station closes

One of the city's longest serving gasoline and full service stations has closed, the victim of rising rents in a prestigious corner location and inadequate profits. Owner Rick Branchini locked the doors and turned off the pumps at his popular station at the corner of First Street and Vineyard Avenue, known for its teasing sign: "Open 25 hours a day." The First Street Repair and Towing service there moved to California Avenue. The Shell Oil Corporation has fenced off the area awaiting a decision on whether to put another station there or sell the site.

## Marijuana

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marijuana to non-qualified persons, particularly minors."

Fraser agreed, pointing out that in February Pleasanton police, in conjunction with the Alameda County Sheriff's Office, arrested four people related to an ecstasy drug ring, where one of those arrested allegedly purchased marijuana with a medical marijuana ID card, a card issued by the state on the basis of a doctor's prescription. That ID card had been re-sold to Pleasanton high school students.

Still, citing the need by those with advanced and often terminal cancer and other similar diseases, Councilman Matt Sullivan urged the council and city staff to continue their search for ways to put the needed drug safely and easily into the hands of those who are authorized to have it and can benefit from it. Medical marijuana has been shown to ease pain, particularly among those who are suffering the most and are no longer able to get satisfactory relief from conventional pain killers. The drug also improves the appetite of its users, a condi-

tion that causes major degeneration among late-term cancer sufferers.

Council members agreed that the federal ban is the problem, more than the drug, itself. Although other drugs, such as Vicoden and Valium can be prescribed and obtained from pharmacists; medical marijuana can't.

At Sullivan's suggestion, the city's Human Relations Commission will be asked to set up a task force to determine how many in Pleasanton could benefit from medical marijuana and how best to make the drug available to them.

Council members also urged residents to write their federal representatives to support proposed legislation now pending in Congress, known as the States' Rights to Medical Marijuana (H.R. 2233). It would allow states in which medical marijuana may be prescribed or recommended by a physician from being prohibited or restricted by the Federal Controlled Substances Act.

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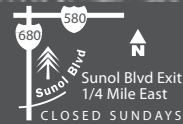
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# Opinion

## Editorial

### Council takes right steps to help terminally ill

Whether to allow the use of marijuana for medical purposes is both a public policy issue for the Pleasanton City Council and a legal issue for city staff. In 1996, California voters approved Proposition 215, called the Compassionate Use Act, by a 55-45 margin, which legalized medicinal marijuana for the seriously ill, giving doctors a legal defense against professional or legal sanctions for recommending marijuana use to their patients. Most of those who benefit from these prescriptions have advanced, often terminal illnesses where conventional painkillers no longer work. Medical marijuana also has been found to improve appetites, a major problem for the seriously ill. But law enforcement agencies, including the Pleasanton city attorney's office and the police department, point out that Prop. 215 is trumped by the federal Controlled Substances Act of 1970, a federal law that declares marijuana use for any purpose to be illegal. In other words, police who look the other way when they find a seriously ill person using medical marijuana, as they sometimes do, are violating federal law and could be subject to arrest themselves.

Even so, the passage of Prop. 215 has given rise to the establishment of medical marijuana dispensaries where customers with a legitimate prescription can obtain marijuana. These dispensaries were supposed to meet the needs of patients requiring medical marijuana, handling prescriptions that can't be filled at regular pharmacies that adhere to federal law and refuse to carry the drug. Unfortunately, as communities in California began to allow medical marijuana dispensaries, we saw reports increasing of armed robberies of some of these dispensaries as well as the people leaving them. After-hours robberies and a growing diversion of medical marijuana to non-qualified persons have also grown. Even those with ID cards and a legitimate prescription to fill have become uncomfortable going to some of these dispensaries, which are often in the so-called shadier sides of towns. As a result, the hundreds of suffering patients who need and benefit from medical marijuana are finding it increasingly hard to fill their prescriptions.

This was the dilemma the City Council found itself in Tuesday night as it wrestled with a proposal to ban dispensaries from the streets of Pleasanton. None has opened here, but like massage parlors and registered sex offenders, few in Pleasanton want one in their neighborhood, or downtown. Given these statistics, you would think the council's slam dunk answer to medical marijuana dispensaries would be a resounding no. But it wasn't. Thanks to the ongoing efforts of Councilman Matt Sullivan to find a way of easing the burden of terminally ill patients who need medical marijuana and a compassionate City Council, Pleasanton hasn't given up on finding a way to help. Although the council banned the dispensaries for now, it also has asked its Human Relations Commission to establish a multi-faceted task force to learn more about the benefits of medical marijuana and how best to help those in need. Residents can help by writing or sending emails to their federal representatives urging their approval of House Resolution 2233, the States' Rights to Medical Marijuana Act, which would allow states in which medical marijuana may be prescribed, including California, to protect those who recommend or dispense medical marijuana. The next step should be to move the dispensing of this drug into pharmacies, which already handle other controlled substances. We're not talking about legalizing pot or selling street drugs, only medical marijuana, which has proven to be a pain and appetite remedy that is very effective for those terminally ill. That's the compassion voiced by the City Council Tuesday, which we heartily endorse.

# Letters

## Fox urges residents to sign open space petition

Dear Editor,

The people of both Livermore and Pleasanton have spoken forcefully and repeatedly that they wish to preserve open space.

The City of Livermore El Charro Specific Plan for land bordering Pleasanton next to the I-580 freeway, created with an extensive public process, contains 97 acres of planned open space, surrounded throughout by 50-foot rows of vineyards, with arroyo habitat protection, nearby to Los Positas golf course complete with a winning city "gateway" concept and landscape elements to create a cohesive integrated plan.

While Livermore was developing its comprehensive plan in the open, the Pleasanton City Council has been busy in seven secret/closed sessions making commercial development deals and agreements to develop the public land west of El Charro.

If you agree with me on any of these following statements about public undeveloped open space, sign the petition for the greenbelt/open space/parkland initiative: 1) Having Pleasanton City Council members make backroom deals in secret/closed sessions out of the public eye is not in the spirit of the

Community of Character; 2) Voters should be given the opportunity for approval of any more housing or commercial development on public undeveloped open space; 3) There is already too much growth and traffic; and 4) Politicians truly baffle me, I don't know whom to believe, therefore in this democracy I will sign the petition to be given the opportunity to weigh in on decisions and guarantee my right to vote.

Anne Fox  
Friends of Pleasanton group,  
Planning Commission chair-  
woman

## More meaningful Memorial Day

Dear Editor,

When reading "Hundreds salute soldiers on Memorial Day" in the Pleasanton Weekly on June 1 (News), I wondered if Jeb Bing attended the ceremonies or if he just looked at the program and asked the politicians for some "sound bites." While Congressman McNeerney gave a brief, thankful speech, it was the Rear Admiral Mary P. O'Donnell who reached the heart and soul of the day. While she was speaking, I glanced around and saw grown men wiping away tears. It was her heartfelt words that deserved to be noted in the article, not the politicians' "sound bites."

Judy Hegarty  
Pleasanton

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## Foothill High School

### Jennifer Vincent

As a member of the Foothill varsity softball team with a 4.12 grade point average, Jennifer Vincent has a lot to be proud of. But for Vincent, it's playing as a team, not her individual accomplishments, that matter most. When asked for her fondest memory of playing on the softball team, it's not her own success that she recalls, but when another teammate hit a grand slam after being walked most of the season.

"The team really came together and rallied around her," Vincent said.

While happy for her team's grand slam, she said that another high school sports highlight was during her junior year, her last season on the JV team, when she hit her first home run.

Next year as a freshman at the University of California, Los Angeles, Vincent hopes to keep playing softball on an intramural team, but as a genetics and microbiology double major, she's not sure she'll have the time. Although, time management is a skill she's perfected at Foothill. During softball season, she practiced with her team from 3 to 5 p.m. every day after school and then went straight home to do homework for her classes, of which four were AP courses this year.

"I just stay focused on a single task at a time," Vincent said. "It's all about time management. Everyone has enough time to do stuff. You just need to find it."

Part of what motivated Vincent to maintain such a rigorous schedule was her desire to attend UCLA. Since eighth grade it's been her first-choice school.

Now that the time has come bid Foothill goodbye, Vincent said what she'll miss most is spending time with her friends. But, she's looking forward to branching out of her "Pleasanton bubble" and experiencing new things beyond what she already knows.

### Christopher Kyer

It seems like success comes naturally to Foothill senior Christopher Kyer. He joined the cross country team just this year, keeping up with the pack by running 5K races in 19 minutes on average, but he's nonchalant about his athletic abilities.

"I always liked running and a friend

was on the team for past few years and he convinced me to join," Kyer said.

As part of his cross country commitment, Kyer attended practices after school every day while in season, running a variety of routes through Pleasanton. He did this while keeping up with his school work, finishing with a 4.03 grade point average. It's because of these dual accomplishments that Kyer was named Foothill's Scholar Athlete of the Year.

Keeping up with school and sports commitments isn't easy, but Kyer said he stayed motivated by focusing on his college applications.

"It was difficult," Kyer said. "College applications were happening at the same time, so I just focused on keeping my grades up for my applications."

Kyer's hard work paid off as he plans to attend the University of California, Santa Barbara in the fall. Although he's looking forward to meeting new people and learning how to be on his own, Kyer said he's a little nervous about what college will be like, especially if he'll be able to handle his course load—a surprising concern considering Kyer managed to take six AP classes during his junior and senior years.

As for his time at Foothill, Kyer said he will definitely miss the high school community.

"It's a really nice school and everyone gets along," Kyer said. "It's a nice community to be in."

### Philip Auyang

Philip Auyang first picked up the cornet in fifth grade, inspired from all the years of hearing his father play the trumpet. He probably had no idea then that the cornet would become a huge part of his life.

Since starting high school, Auyang has been a member of the Foothill band and served as the head of the trumpet section his junior and senior years. That's no small feat considering the Foothill band is known nationwide for its excellence, performing in the Hawaii Invitational, Fiesta Bowl and the Rose Bowl Parade—just to name a few—all in Auyang's time at the school.

During marching season, the band maintains an intense practice schedule, starting with marching practice in the mornings before school starts, followed by the scheduled fourth period band class and a 4 to 8 p.m. practice on Tuesdays and the weekends, not to mention all the tournaments and performances.

Through all this, Auyang managed to keep up a 4.09 grade point average, in addition to taking Mandarin classes on the weekends and taking part in the Health and Biology Science Academy, a special track for students who plan on pursuing a health profession as a career. Hearing this busy schedule would make most people tired, but Auyang actually said he was taking it easy.

"I spread out my AP classes, so I started in my sophomore year with AP chemistry and that made it easier for myself," Auyang said.

With graduation only a week away, Auyang is looking forward to starting his freshman year at the University of California, Berkeley.

"I picked it because I liked the city setting," Auyang said. "It seems like a very interesting place to be...and a good academic atmosphere."

He plans to major in molecular cell biology with an emphasis in bio chemistry on the pre-med track with the intention of someday becoming a doctor.

"I'm looking forward to trying to learn on my own, knowing that academics will be hard, but challenging," Auyang said.

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The sky's the limit

by Rebecca Guyon, Emily

Pop quizzes, sports games and the prom—these and many other things are an iconic part of high school, no matter the year. The Class of 2007, comprised of 1,181 students from Foothill, Amador Valley and Village high schools, are about to say goodbye to these memories—and maybe even Pleasanton—to explore the world of college.

A record number of seniors will graduate from Amador Valley (563) and Foothill (562) next Friday at the county fairgrounds at 2 and 6 p.m., respectively. This continues the year-after-year increase in class sizes at both high schools. Another 56 seniors will graduate from Village High at commencement exercises next Wednesday at the Amador Theater.

The enrollment growth is expected to continue through at least 2009 with the number of graduates climbing to record high numbers each year through 2013 before enrollments at both comprehensive high schools starts to drop, although only slightly, according to Superintendent John Casey.

As the campuses underwent alterations to deal with the bulge, the school board and administration also saw some changes in the past year. Long-time



## Amador Valley High School

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*the limit*

by Atwood and Jeb Bing

school board member Juanita Haugen died March 5, and earlier Board President Steve Pulido stepped down to become a judge in the Alameda County Superior Court. Two new board members were appointed to fill those positions: Chris Grant and former Councilman Steve Brozosky.

Kevin Johnson, Foothill's longest serving principal, will leave that post when the school year ends to become Director of Pupil Services, succeeding Rich Puppione, who is retiring. At the same time, Fairlands Elementary School Principal Bill Faraghan will become the new assistant superintendent for human resources, succeeding Clem Donaldson, who also is retiring.

As for the students moving on to the next chapter of their lives, some say they are more than ready, while others are having trouble letting go. The following are notable students who are donning the cap and gown. They'll have different accomplishments and memories to grasp along with the long-awaited diploma. From the blue and gold cross country runner to the purple and gold civics competitor, each will take a piece of Pleasanton to their respected places of study. ■

### Emma Holmquist

Emma Holmquist is a proud member of Amador Valley High School's "We the People" competition civics team. She's also Co-Editor-In-Chief of the school's yearbook. Combine those responsibilities with a full academic load and you're looking at quite a full plate.

All the commitments served a purpose as it helped her learn more about herself. High school is a time to find your niche, according to Holmquist. Once that niche is created, then you have a group of friends and a place to be involved.

"You don't have to hang out all the time," she said. "It's just a family of people."

With all the time spent preparing for competition, her "We the People" family grew quite close and from there came some of her fondest memories. Her favorite recollection of the team was not winning second place in the nation, although she is quite proud of that fact, but it came from being crowned state champions.

"We were actually really nervous," she said. "Another team was the favorite, but we thought we did really well."

When the other school was given second place, Holmquist said she'll remember the rush of bottling up the anxious energy for about five minutes until they stood up and yelled upon hearing they had won the title.

The multi-tasker earned a 3.9 GPA and is headed to the University of California, San Diego to major in digital art and minor in English and dance.

### Sam Tillis

The stage called Amador's Sam Tillis from a young age.

"Early on I went through the stage of wanting to be a famous actor, like other kids want to be an artist or an astronaut," he said. "It just stuck."

When asked if the stage or film is his forte, Tillis said he'll take what he can get. From the looks of his experience, he shouldn't have much trouble. For his senior year he decided to expand his horizons and forgo the high school productions. Instead he opted to participate in Las Positas College's rendition of Macbeth in the fall and the musical City of Angels in the spring.

One of his favorite memories of high school involved acting—sans stage. A responsible student with a 4.0 GPA, then a junior, a history reading assignment slipped his mind and upon arriving to class, realized there was a quiz on the homework material.

"I turned to a friend and said 'let's stall class so the quiz doesn't happen,'" he said.

So the two proceeded to fire question after question during the teacher's lecture about how the atomic bomb affected Japanese culture. The plan worked and the entire class was thankful for the extension.

"I completely ruined my credibility," he admitted. "But I went home and read the chapter and got full points on the quiz."

Tillis will take his acting skills to the University of California, San Diego in the fall and major in drama. His teacher may also be happy to know that he's considering a minor in history or political science.

### Megan McWilliams

Also headed down to San Diego is Megan McWilliams. An Amador student, she too has kept busy over the last four years. She's been a section editor for the yearbook, clarinet section leader in the marching band and has played the oboe for the school's concert band.

She even helped lead the marching band to one of its biggest honors. The band placed fifth in the WBA (Western Band Association) championships—the highest score the school has had in seven years.

"It was a really tough competition," she said.

With all the hard work the band endured, she added that the group really got the most out of it with the fifth place finish.

McWilliams said she looks back on her time in high school and is happy with her accomplishments. Instead of being sad about the end of an era, she is mostly eager to discover what the world and college has to offer.

"People say that high school is the best time of your life," she said. "I'll miss it, but I think I'm ready. I'm excited to see life outside of Pleasanton."

An earlier trip to Europe inspired her to see more of the world, which is why she chose to major in international security and conflict resolution. San Diego State University is the only school to offer the specialized program, which places graduates in the United Nations as peace keepers, in embassies and global businesses.



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Danville, 136 Gatetree Ct., June 9 8-1

Danville, 1033 Belleterre Dr, June 9, 9am-1pm

**Pleasanton, 2529 Tanager Drive, June 9, 8-3**

Pleasanton, 284 Mavis, June 2nd 8am to ?

**Pleasanton, 3190 Montpelier Ct, Sat. June 9th - 8A-2P**

MOVING SALE - Lot's of items! Clothes, toys, Ping Pong table, furniture. Please, no early birds.

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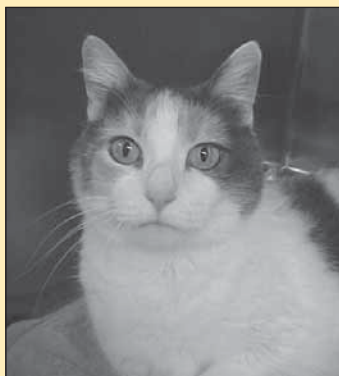
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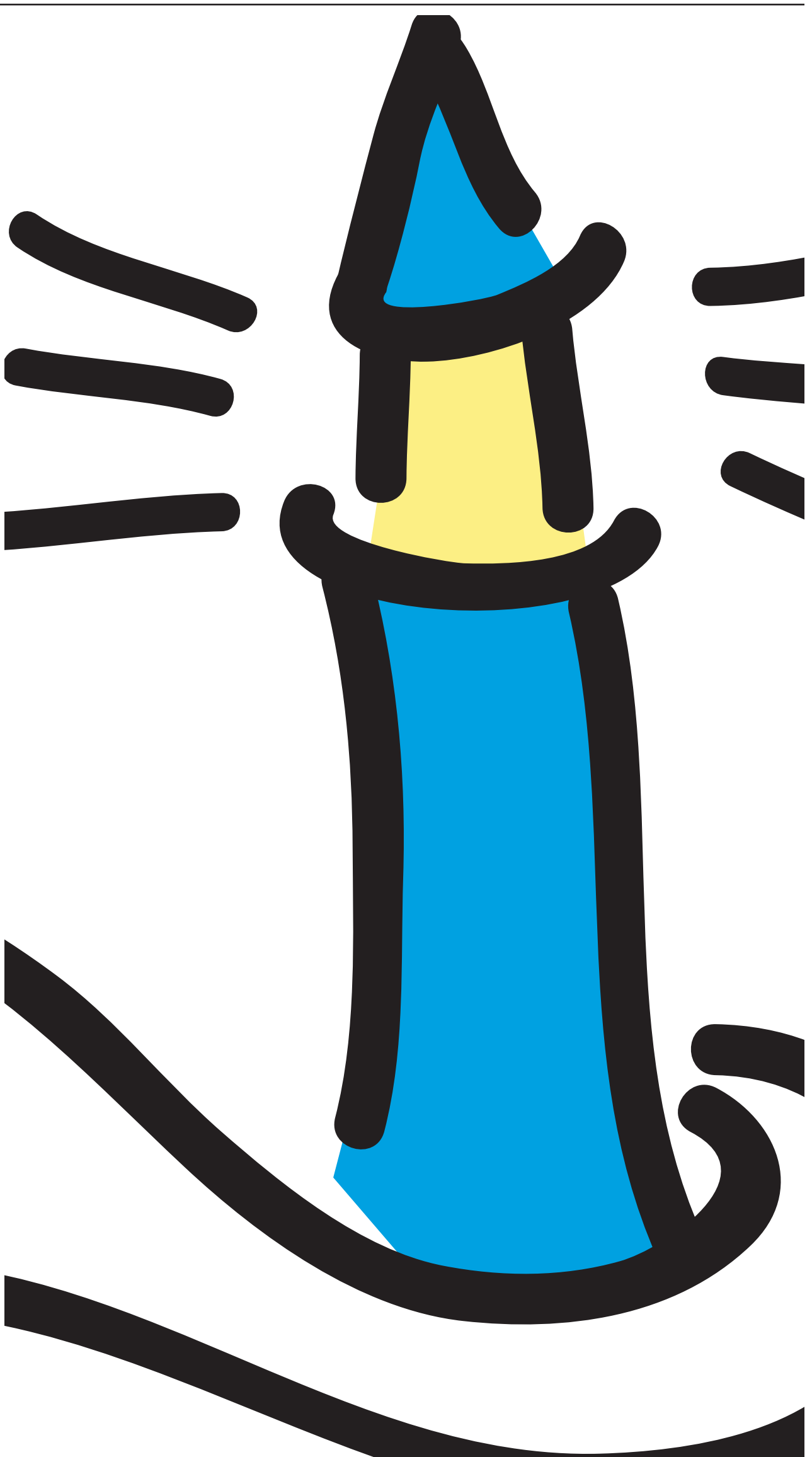
**PET OF THE WEEK**



**Lucy, I'm home!**

This adult, female Dilute Calico named "Lucy" is so affectionate, she even gives kisses. Lucy is also a talker and she usually responds with a "meow" when she hears her name. Lucy appears to be already spayed. She has beautiful green eyes and fur that is white, gray and brown. If you are looking for a

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# Calendar

## Weekend Preview



### Watching the clouds

Cloudscapes by artist Nila Oakes, including "Walk On Water" pictured above, are currently on display at Studio 7 Fine Arts Gallery, 400 Main St., and will be on view until June 17. Oakes' work is inspired by the California landscape and the Pacific Ocean. Studio 7 Fine Arts is open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Call 846-4322 or visit [www.studio7finearts.com](http://www.studio7finearts.com) for more information.

## Author Visits

**California Writers Club, Tri Valley** Please join CWC, Tri-Valley to hear author Elizabeth Koehler-Pentacoff speak on "Writing Humor: You CAN Be Funny" from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 16 at Girasole Grill, 3180 Santa Rita Road. Elizabeth has several humorous children's books and has over 300 writing credits. The cost is \$18 for members, \$25 for non-members. Call Fred Norman at 462-7495.

**Literacy Goes Beyond the Words** Pleasanton Public Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave., presents Literacy Advocate Martha Kendall at 2 p.m. June 10. She will show an excerpt from her DVD "Inside America" and discuss the surprising and fascinating connections between language and culture. Attendees will reflect on needs of non native speakers. Call Penny at 931-3405 or visit [www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us/library](http://www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us/library).

## Civic Meetings

**City Council** The Pleasanton City Council meets at 7 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays at City Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Ave.

**Housing Commission** The Pleasanton Housing Commission meets at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month at City Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Ave.

**Human Services Commission** The Human Services Commission meets at 7 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month at City Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Ave.

**Parks & Recreation Commission** The Pleasanton Parks & Recreation Commission meets at 7 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month at City Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Ave.

**Planning Commission** The Planning Commission meets at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at the City Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Ave.

**School Board** The Pleasanton Unified School District Board meets at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday monthly in the district office board room, 4665 Bernal Ave.

**Youth Commission** The Pleasanton Youth Commission meets 7 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month at Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd.

## Classes

**Tri-Valley Young Performers Academy** Summer Performing Arts Academy hosts two performing class sessions for ages 7 to 18, which take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday at Jamie's Dance Studio, 3688 Washington St. Session 1 is June 18 to July 14 and Session 2 is July 23 to Aug. 18. Training includes dance, singing and acting, and a recital and performance of School House Rock Live Jr. Extended care is available. The cost is \$595 with early registration or \$695 after May 15. Call 551-8238 or visit [www.TriValleyYPA.org](http://www.TriValleyYPA.org).

## Clubs

**Amador Valley Quilters** Featured at our June meeting, quilting celebrities Diana McClun and Laura Nownes, who will present "Shared Stitches and Stories." Anyone interested in quilting is invited to attend the meeting held at 1:30 June 9 at Pleasanton Middle School, 5001 Case Ave. Visit [www.amadorvalleyquilters.org](http://www.amadorvalleyquilters.org).

**CommArt Club Presents Promotional Advertising** Communications Arts (CommArt) Networking Club features Sandy Harvey, owner of Ad On Products, who will speak on promotional advertising at the club's 11:45 a.m. June 12 meeting at Mudd's Restaurant, 10 Boardwalk Place, San Ramon. Call 462-8083 or visit [www.commartnet.org](http://www.commartnet.org).

**Good News Bears Open House** Good News Bears hosts its annual Open House at 6:30 p.m. June 21 at the Livermore Police Station, 1110 S. Livermore Ave. Learn more about what this non-profit group does to provide caring and comfort in the way of stuffed animals to those suffering illness, loneliness, trauma or loss. Hear gifting stories and enjoy looking through our scrapbooks of caring. Call Jeanie at 373-7982 or visit [www.goodnewsbears.org](http://www.goodnewsbears.org).

**Mad Zymurgists Homebrewing Club** The Mad Zymurgists Homebrewing Club meets from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. June 14 at Hoptech, 6398 Dougherty Road, Dublin. Regular meetings are held at pubs and other sites in Dublin and Pleasanton. Call 875-0246, visit [www.madzymurgists.com](http://www.madzymurgists.com).

org or email Brian Cooper at [brewer-brian@sbcglobal.net](mailto:brewer-brian@sbcglobal.net).

**NARFE** The Livermore Chapter 0397 of the National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association meets at 12:30 p.m. the second Thursday monthly at Emil Villa's Restaurant at the corner of Pacific and S. Livermore avenues in Livermore. Call 484-0813 or 846-7167.

**Pleasanton Newcomers Club June Luncheon** Come kickoff summer with the Pleasanton Newcomers from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. June 13 at Girasole Grill, 3180 Santa Rita Road. Enjoy either a Spinach for Veronica Salad or a Grilled Rosemary Chicken sandwich. Also, get to know the new 2007-08 board. This is a great way to experience a little of what the Pleasanton Newcomers is all about. The cost is \$23 and reservations are required. Call Carolyn at 600-8971 or visit [pleasantonnewcomers.com](http://pleasantonnewcomers.com).

**Women's Stock Investment Club** Women's Stock Investment club meets at 7 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month in Livermore. The club follows Better Investing principles for studying stocks and investing for the long term while having fun. For details, call Eleanor at 846-6911 or Barbara at 484-1319.

## Events

**Dan Schnur to speak in Pleasanton** Dan Schnur, a leading media strategist, will speak at the June 14 meeting of the Tri-Valley Republican Women Federated at 6:30 p.m. at the Sheraton Pleasanton Hotel, 5990 Stoneridge Mall Road. New members and visitors are welcome. The cost is \$26 for members and \$30 for non-members and the reservation deadline is June 8. Call 426-1995.

**Father's Day at Garre Winery** Bring the family and give Dad a treat by heading to the wine country for Garre Winery's Father's Day Rockin' in the Vines BBQ with live blues by The Blue Truth from noon to 3 p.m. June 17. Relax outdoors surrounded by vineyards and enjoy an all-you-can-eat BBQ Buffet, wine tasting and bocce ball. Garre's wine tasting room will be open for tasting its newest release, Pinot Grigio, and more Garre favorites. The outdoor bocce courts will be open for guests to play free of charge. Tickets are \$39.99 for adults, \$18.50 for children 3-12, and under 3 are free. Reservations are required. Call 371-8200 or visit [www.garrewinery.com](http://www.garrewinery.com).

**Father's Day on the USS Hornet** The historic USS Hornet Museum in Alameda hosts "Living Shop Day," Father's Day June 17. Family activities and ship tours will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Visitors will have the opportunity to participate in mission briefings, see airplanes lifted to the flight deck and sit in a fighter jet cockpit. There is ample free parking and a food concession. Admission is adults \$14, seniors (65 and older) \$12, Military ID and students \$12, youth 5-17 \$6, under 5 years free with paying adult. Call (510) 521-8448 or visit [www.uss-hornet.org](http://www.uss-hornet.org).

**Foothill Grad Night Tickets Available** Grad Night 2007 tickets are on sale for \$150 each through June 13. Visit [www.pleasanton.k12.ca.us/foothill](http://www.pleasanton.k12.ca.us/foothill) and look under the Announcements/Activities section for information.

**Menu Tasting Dinner My Way**, 1989 Santa Rita Road, Ste. G, hosts a menu tasting event from noon to 4 p.m. June 16. Call Michele at 485-4286 or visit [www.dinnermyway.com](http://www.dinnermyway.com).

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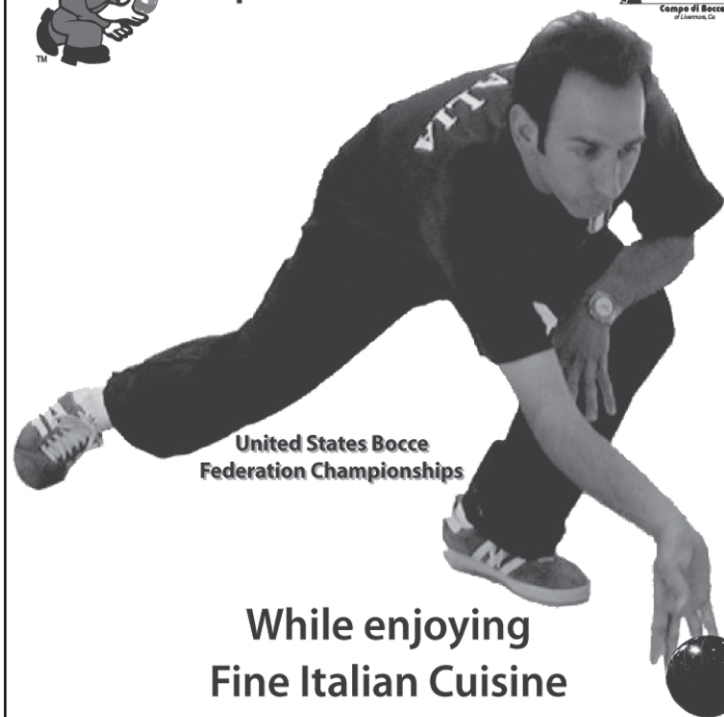
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### Steve "The WOZ" Wozniak Speaks at Tri-Valley Macintosh Users Group

As the co-founder of Apple, the "WOZ" will be making a rare appearance at 7 p.m. June 21 at the Tri-Valley Macintosh Users Group (TMUG) meeting at Amador Valley High School, 1155 Santa Rita Road. In cooperation with the Amador Valley Adult Education Organization, the WOZ will cover all aspects of personal computer technology and its phenomenal growth. He will also be signing his new book "iWoz: From Computer Geek to Cult Icon: How I Invented the Personal Computer, Co-Founded Apple and Had Fun Doing It." The book is on sale at the event for \$10. There will also be door prizes. Email [imutlu@comcast.net](mailto:imutlu@comcast.net).

## Film

**Teen Film at the Library** Pleasanton Public Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave., presents "Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest" at 2 p.m. June 22. Teens 13 to 19 are invited for the beginning of the Teen Summer Program. Join us for refreshments, prizes and the movie. Call 931-3404 or visit [www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us/library](http://www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us/library).

## Fundraisers

**Community Violence Solutions 2007 June Gala** Community Violence Solutions, the umbrella organization for Rape Crisis Center of Contra Costa and Marin Counties, celebrates 33 years of service by hosting a special fundraiser June 14 with Emcee Ann Notarangelo, Weekend Anchor

of CBS 5 Eyewitness News. This special event begins at 6 p.m. and is held at Scott's Walnut Creek, 1333 N. California Blvd. The cost is \$100 and includes entertainment and auctions. Call Army at (510) 307-4144 or visit [www.cvsolutions.org](http://www.cvsolutions.org).

**Golf Tournament** The School of Imagination and Happy Talkers presents the first Golf Tournament Fundraiser June 25 at Poppy Ridge Golf Course in Livermore. It costs \$175 per player and \$30 for non-golfers attending the dinner and auction. For more information visit [www.scho-olofimagination.org/events](http://www.scho-olofimagination.org/events) or call (877) KIDS-TLC.

**Livermore's 22nd Annual Sommerfest** The 22nd Annual Sommerfest is a family-oriented evening of traditional German music, dance and food June 16 at The Barn, 3131 Pacific Ave., Livermore. Valley Banjo Band, Karl Leberherz's German "oom-pah" Band and Alpent%nzner Schuhplattler Bavarian Folk Dancers. German sausage, hot dogs, potato salad, kraut, strudel, beer and soft drinks for sale. Advance tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children (ages 3-12); or \$12 for adults and \$7 for children at the door. Call Doris at 447-8907.

**PDA Mural Project Fundraiser** For each advance fair ticket purchased by June 20 at five businesses in downtown Pleasanton (Clover Creek, Domus, Sincerely Yours Cards, Three Dog Bakery and Towne Center Books), \$1 will be contributed to the Pleasanton Downtown Association's mural program. Advanced tickets are \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors and \$4 for children. Call Christine at 484-2199 or visit [www.pleasantondowntown.net](http://www.pleasantondowntown.net).

## Health

**"Foot Freedom"** World School, 699 Peters Ave., will offer a free seminar for the general public from 4:30 to 6

p.m. June 14. The school presents "Foot Freedom: A FREE 90-Minute Foot Health Clinic." Attendees will learn daily self-care and specialized foot self-massage techniques. Call 461-2533 or visit [www.worldschool-massage.com](http://www.worldschool-massage.com).

**Art of Living Course I** Learn and experience specific breathing techniques which reduce stress and anxiety, while bringing the mind to a peaceful centered state and restoring the natural rhythms. From June 5 to 10 from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. weekdays and 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. weekends at the Hyatt Summerfield Suites, 4545 Chabot Drive. Call 964-9228 or email [aol\\_trivalley@comcast.net](mailto:aol_trivalley@comcast.net)

**Dementia Seminar** A seminar on dementia will be presented from 6 to 7 p.m. June 14 by the Marin Memory Clinic at AlmaVia of San Rafael, 515 Northgate Drive. The seminar will provide an overview of dementia disorders and treatment options. Free of charge. Call (415) 491-1900 or email [GDaPrato@ElderCareAlliance.org](mailto:GDaPrato@ElderCareAlliance.org).

**Knee Replacement for Women Seminar** Men and women are different, so why would their knees be any different? Come learn about artificial knee joints designed specially for women. John Frazier, M.D.; Laura Wilcox, RN; and Dina Olson, MS, from San Ramon Regional Medical Center, will discuss options for knee pain for women from 7 to 9 p.m. June 12 in the South Building, 7777 Norris Canyon Road. Men are invited, too. Call (866) 580-KNEE or visit [www.sanramonmedctr.com](http://www.sanramonmedctr.com).

## Kids & Teens

**Kid Power Training** The Pleasanton Public Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave., needs students entering sixth to ninth grades next school year to become summer Kid Power volunteers. KP volunteers assist children of all ages to register for and play the library's summer reading game. Call Children's Services at 931-3400 ext. 8 or visit [www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us/services/library/programs-events-child.html](http://www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us/services/library/programs-events-child.html).

**Shakespeare Camps in the East Bay** Camps for children and teens are available at several locations and instruction includes: acting, improvisation, voice projection, Shakespearean language, set and costume design. The cost is \$395 and aftercare is \$125. Call John at (415) 865-4422 or visit <http://sfshakes.org> for dates, times and locations.

## Lectures/ Workshops

**Attracting Equity Investors and Lessons Learned** Join Tech Ventures from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. June 13 for a workshop on attracting equity investors and lessons learned. It will

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## Calendar

be held at the 4400 Rosewood Drive. Call 960-1600 or visit [www.techventures.org](http://www.techventures.org).

### Managing Your Health Concerns

As medical systems become more complex, many of us are left confused, overwhelmed and underserved. Discover how to organize and maintain your own health records, effectively communicate with health care providers, and empower yourself to become a health care advocate for yourself or a loved one. The workshop is from 10 to 11:30 a.m. June 12 at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. The cost is \$1.25 for residents or \$1.75 for non-residents. Call 931-5365.

### Obtain Free Specialized Telephones

Individuals with hearing, vision, cognitive, mobility or speech challenges may qualify for specialized telephone equipment through CTAP (California Telephone Access Program). Join us to preview the available phones and discover if you qualify from 10 to 11:30 a.m. June 26 at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. The cost is \$1.25 for residents or \$1.75 for non-residents. Call 931-5365.

**Retiring Soon Seminar** Don't just dream about retirement, plan for it. Our Retiring Soon seminar, from 1 to 4 p.m. June 9 at the Pleasanton Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave., will teach you how. Call to enroll: 828-9115. This free event features guest speaker Karen Van Zino, MD, who will discuss "Dreams and What They Mean."

## Miscellaneous

### American Red Cross Annual Meeting

The American Red Cross Bay Area is holding its Annual Meeting 5 p.m. June 8 at the San Francisco Marriott, 55 Fourth St., to elect directors and officers for the Chapters Board of Directors. Visit [www.redcrossbayarea.org](http://www.redcrossbayarea.org).

**Free The Cat Campaign** For a limited time, Tri-Valley Animal Rescue will offer no-fee adoptions of all adult cats. Strict adoption criteria will still apply. Adoptions are held at Pleasanton Farmers Market (9:30 to 1 p.m. Saturdays), Dublin Pet Food Express (2 to 5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays) and Dublin PetSmart (weekdays during regular business hours and noon to 4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays). Call 803-7043 or visit [www.tvr.org](http://www.tvr.org).

**Kittens Seek Foster Homes** The East Bay SPCA's Foster Care Program seeks foster homes for the upcoming kitten season. For more information, contact the East Bay SPCA at (510) 563-4632 or visit [www.eastbayspca.org/foster](http://www.eastbayspca.org/foster).

## Seniors

### Computer Classes for Seniors

55+ The Pleasanton Public Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave., offers computer

classes from 9 to 10 a.m. for mature adults. Join us to learn to surf the Internet and send email. Absolute beginners welcome. The second Tuesday of month is Beginning Internet, the third Tuesday of month is Beginning Email, and the fourth Tuesday of month is Advanced Email. Email [mcorpore@ci.pleasanton.ca.us](mailto:mcorpore@ci.pleasanton.ca.us) or call 931-3400 ext. 21 for details.

**Lunch Downtown** Be part of this newly formed group of seniors who meet at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., and travel downtown Pleasanton to a different restaurant each month, via Paratransit. The next outing is scheduled at 10:45 a.m. June 12. The cost is \$15 for residents or \$18 for non-residents. Call Lisa at 931-5372.

**Pleasanton PC Users Group** The PC User Group meets monthly at 10 a.m. on the fourth Thursday of the month at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. You don't need to be an expert to attend, we have all skills levels in our meetings. The usual Senior Center charges apply, \$1.25 for Pleasanton Residents, \$1.75 for all others. Call 931-5365 or email [pleaseni@yahoo.com](mailto:pleaseni@yahoo.com) for details.

**Transitions Support Group** Are you or someone you know: 60 or older and living in Pleasanton, Dublin, Livermore or Sunol? Looking for a warm and supportive environment to connect with others? In need of a place to share, support and reminisce? Join the Transitions Support Group meeting 2:30 to 4 p.m. every Wednesday at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Call 931-5379 for info.

## Spiritual

### Mata Amritanandamayi (AMMA)

Mata Amritanandamayi--Amma--will be at the M.A. Center, 10200 Crow Canyon Road, Castro Valley, from June 5 to 12. Free programs are held in the morning at 10 and in the evenings at 7:30. Free Devi Bhava program with Amma (a celebration devoted to world peace) will be held at 7 p.m. June 10 at June 15. Retreat with Amma will be June 13 to 15. Registration is required. Call (510) 537-9417 or visit [www.amma.org](http://www.amma.org).

**Open Christian 12 Step** Discover how much comfort there is in the journey of recovery walking with the Good Shepherd every STEP of the way! This group meets at 5 p.m. every Thursday at 40 California Ave., Ste. B. Call 426-0501 or visit [www.rquest.org](http://www.rquest.org).

**Peace Time** Meditate upon peace from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. the second Saturday of every month beginning June 9 at Downtown Yoga, 220-B Division St. The time of silent meditation will allow you to meditate upon your own peace of mind, peace in your home or peace in your world. All are welcome. Call 819-9983 or visit [www.pleasantonyoga.com](http://www.pleasantonyoga.com).

**Tri-Valley Unity Church** Tri-Valley Unity Church meets for Sunday ser-

vice and children's school 10 a.m. at the Radisson Hotel, 6680 Regional St., Dublin. There are ongoing classes and groups with Rev. Mary Anne Harris, minister. Call 829-2733 or visit [www.trivalleyunity.com](http://www.trivalleyunity.com).

### Women's Christian 12 Step

Discover how much comfort there is in the journey of recovery walking with the Good Shepherd every STEP of the way! This group meets at noon every Friday and Saturday at Shepherd's Gate, 1660 Portola Ave., Livermore. Call 443-4283.

## Sports

### 15th Annual Summer Baseball Camp

At the 15 annual summer baseball camp, Foothill High School varsity baseball coach, Angelo Scavone, and his staff will instruct on the fundamentals of offense, defense and pitching. All campers will receive individual attention with an 8:1 instructor ratio. The camp is for boy and girl youth baseball players ages 7-14, and is limited to the first 120 players to sign up. The camp will be held at Foothill's varsity baseball field from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. June 25 to 27. The cost is \$125 for all three days. Go to [www.pleasantonpony.com](http://www.pleasantonpony.com) for sign-up forms. If you have any questions, please contact Coach Scavone at 461-7515 ext. 3.

### East Bay Colt.45s Fall Tryouts

East Bay Colt.45s Baseball Fall Tryouts. Tryouts for competitive fall travel teams, ages 13U and 14U (age as of 4/30/08) to be held from 5 to 8 p.m. June 9 and 10 at Osage Park, baseball diamond 2, Danville. Our organization offers professional coaching to prepare players for high school. The cost is \$25. Download our registration form at [www.eastbaycolt45s.com](http://www.eastbaycolt45s.com). Call (510) 551-6866.

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**Ten Star All Star Basketball Camp**  
Final applications are now being evaluated for the Ten Star All Star Summer Basketball Camp. By invitation only, boys and girls ages 10 to 19 are eligible to apply. Players from 50 states and 17 countries attended the 2006 camp. There is also a summer camp for boys and girls ages 6 to 18 of all skill levels. Call (704) 373-0873.

## Support Groups

**Cancer Support Group** A free support group for people with cancer and their loved ones. Facilitated by The Wellness Community. The group meets from 2 to 4 p.m. every Tuesday at the Valley Care Health Library, 5725 W. Las Positas Blvd. Call 933-0107 or visit [www.twc-bayarea.org](http://www.twc-bayarea.org).

**Choosing to Heal** Discover the 10 choices you can make and the 10 lies you must reject to open the door for healing. This life-changing small group will be given practical, Biblical counsel on how to move forward in life. The small group meets for eight weeks starting April 25 at Valley Christian Center, 7500 Inspiration Drive in Dublin. Childcare is provided. Led by a trained counselor, the group is \$25 per person. Register online at [www.dublinvcc.org](http://www.dublinvcc.org).

**Domestic Violence** A Domestic Violence support group is held 5 to 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday at Tri-Valley Haven, 3663 Pacific Ave., Livermore, for Women in Livermore every Wednesday evening. Survivors will be able to address issues of abuse in relationships. The cost is \$40 for every eight weeks, or based on a sliding scale. Call 449-5845 ext. 202 for details.

**East Bay Cancer Support Group**  
The East Bay Cancer Support group is an independent, non-profit, non-sectarian organization serving cancer patients, caregivers and the bereaved at Faith Lutheran Church, 20080 Redwood Road, Castro Valley. All services are provided free of charge. For scheduled meeting times, please call (510) 889-8766 or visit [www.ebcancersupport.org](http://www.ebcancersupport.org).

**Grief Share** Are you looking for community, understanding and support? If you have lost a spouse, child, family member or friend, you've probably found that there are not many people who understand the deep hurt you feel. The grief support group meets from 7 to 8:30 p.m. every Wednesday at Valley Christian Center, 7500 Inspiration Drive, Dublin. It is \$35.00, with scholarships available. Call 560-6202 or register at [www.dublinvcc.org](http://www.dublinvcc.org).

**Livermore Peripheral Neuropathy**  
The Livermore Peripheral Neuropathy support group's meets 10 a.m. the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Heritage Estates Retirement Community, 900 E. Stanley Blvd., Livermore. Peripheral Neuropathy generally presents itself as tingling, pain or numbness in the feet or hands. It is hard to diagnose and is common. All are invited to learn more about this disease. Call Lorene at 447-6158 or Ann at 443-4098.

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# Dining Out

## American

### Vic's All Star Kitchen

201 Main St., Pleasanton, (925) 484-0789. Vic's delivers a starry mix of American food, fast service and a cheery atmosphere. Owner Vic Malatesta teamed his love of sports ate a solid dining experience. Vic's is open daily 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Evening banquets and daytime catering are available.

### Bridges

44 Church St., Danville, 820-7200. Executive Chef Kevin Gin interprets California-American cuisine with European and Asian influences with expansive lunch and dinner menus. Add dessert, wine and cocktails and you have Bridges' casual fine dining experience. Visit [www.bridgesdanville.com](http://www.bridgesdanville.com) for event and private party details.

## Asian-Pacific

### Mahalo Grille

425 Main St., Pleasanton, 462-2800. Treat yourself to a taste sensation at Mahalo Grille featuring a variety of

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## Barbecue

### Red Smoke Grill

4501 Hopyard Road, Pleasanton, 734-0307. Home of the Tri Tip and Blue, Red Smoke Grill was voted best take out food by Pleasanton Weekly readers in 2006. Dine in or take out rotisserie chicken, ribs, prawns, salads and tri tip, or pulled pork sandwiches. Relax with a beer or a bottle of wine. Visit [www.redsmokegrill.com](http://www.redsmokegrill.com).

## Brewpub/Alehouse

### The Hop Yard American Alehouse and Grill

3015H Hopyard Road, Pleasanton, 426-9600. Voted Best Watering Hole in Pleasanton, The Hop Yard offers

30 craft beers on tap as well as great food. The full-service menu includes appetizers, salads and grilled fare that will bring you back time and again. Banquet facilities available. On the web at [www.hopyard.com](http://www.hopyard.com).

470 Market Place, San Ramon, 277-9600. Featuring a giant 8-foot projection screen for major sporting events, they also feature 30 beers on tap and a great grill. Go in for the beer, go back for the food. More at [www.hopyard.com](http://www.hopyard.com).

## California Cuisine

### Stacey's at Waterford

4500 Tassajara Road, Ste. C., Dublin, 551-8325. We serve seasonal California cuisine using the freshest ingredients, with delicious dishes including seafood, pasta, meat, wood fired pizza and even vegetarian choices. Available for special events on Sundays. Visit [www.staceysatwaterford.com](http://www.staceysatwaterford.com).

### Stacey's Cafe

310 Main St., Pleasanton, 461-3113. Located on Main Street in downtown Pleasanton, Stacey's is open for lunch and dinner seven days a week, serving fresh California cuisine. Come as you are and enjoy our dining room, banquet room, outdoor patios and full bar. Visit [www.staceyscafe.com](http://www.staceyscafe.com).

## Catering

### Fontina's Catering

349 Main St., Downtown Pleasanton, 462-9299. Fontina Ristorante's award-winning menu can now be delivered to your home or office. Our lunch and dinner specialties feature homemade soups and pastas, premium seafood and meats, and a vegetarian menu. For parties of 10 or more, we'll include free dessert or 10 percent off your total bill (excluding tax).

## Chinese

### Chinese Szechuan

3059 Hopyard Road #G, Pleasanton, 846-5251. Chinese Szechuan is Pleasanton's best-loved Chinese restaurant. Family owned and run since 1987, it has friendly service, delicious food and great prices, including lunch specials from only \$5.25.

### Panda Mandarin Cuisine

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### Willow Tree Chinese Cuisine

6512 Regional St, Dublin, 828-9111. Since 1978 Willow Tree has offered authentic Dim-Sum and banquet buffet cuisine. We prepare each dish with the freshest ingredients and are dedicated to hospitality. View our complete menu at [www.willowtreerestaurant.com](http://www.willowtreerestaurant.com)

## Continental

### Barone's


475 St. John St., Pleasanton, 426-0987. Pleasanton's most romantic continental cuisine restaurant features innovative pasta, seafood and meat entrees, outdoor dining, and a full bar. Barone's is open for dinner seven nights and lunch Monday through Friday, with live music on Friday and Saturday evenings. Ask about our banquet facilities and special events.

## Fusion

### Oasis Grille

780 Main St., Pleasanton, 417-8438. Visit downtown Pleasanton's exotic dining destination. Oasis features kabobs, rice and vegetarian dishes, to name a few. Check out our updated wine and exotic cocktail menus. We also cater! Visit [www.OasisGrille.com](http://www.OasisGrille.com).

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 <p><b>Oasis grille</b> 925-417-8438</p>	<p>fiery hot exotic</p>	<p>father's day fire grilled menu</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-filet mignon &amp; shrimp kabob duo</li> <li>-rack of lamb with demi-glace</li> <li>-lamb shank with rosemary-mint sauce</li> <li>-top sirloin kabob &amp; much more.</li> </ul> <p>champagne brunch &amp; dinner reservations recommended</p>
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