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“Come home right away, the baby is burning up!”

And no matter what I do he won't stop screaming...

Dear friend,

What a story. It's a story that I heard long ago that I should tell you about, too. It may help change a life.

The year is 1977 and Bob and Susan are newly married. They are setting out creating a life together and starting a family with the arrival of their first child, a boy named David. Their son is healthy and happy, that is until one day when he has his first fever.

At first, Bob and Susan are not too worried. After all, kids get fevers. It is no surprise to parents that the first night of David's fever meant that Bob and Susan are not sleeping much. David is cranky and waking up all night long. As the morning sun comes through the window these two parents are exhausted, Bob is leaving for work and the baby's fever is not changing.

Susan stays home with David, trying her best to keep him comfortable. But as the day passes, David is getting worse. His fever is higher and after lunch he just starts screaming. No matter what this young mother does, nothing seems to be helping her little boy. She is trying to reach her husband Bob, but back before cell phones, it takes a while to track him down. Hours later, she finally reaches him, and says “*Come home right away, the baby is burning up! And no matter what I do he won't stop screaming!*” Bob hears real worry in his wife's voice, clears his schedule and heads home.

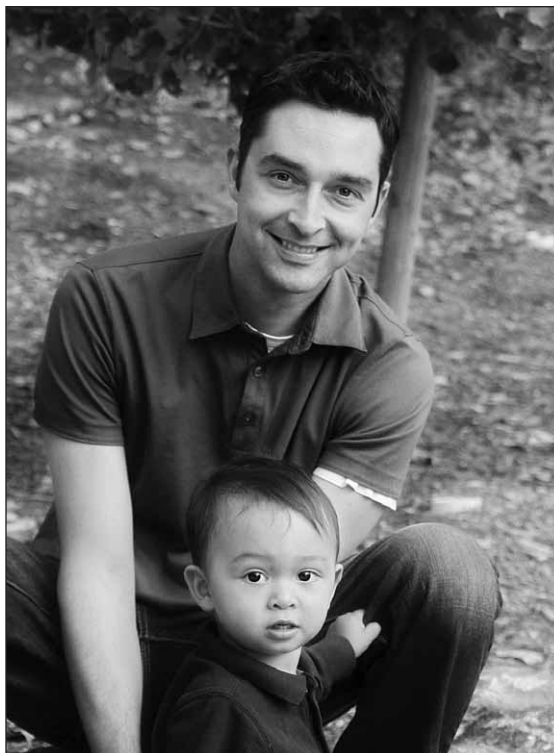
It is after 8 p.m. before Bob can fight his way through the traffic and make it home. He is walking up the stairs and approaching to door to his apartment when he hears his son's screams. As he walks in he sees his wife, visibly upset, holding David. Bob takes David and feeling how hot he is, begins to check him. He finds a misalignment and he gives David an adjustment. You see, Bob is a young chiropractor.

The crying continues for a few minutes and then David settles down and falls asleep. David (and his tired parents) sleep through the night that night. David sleeps and sleeps as his little body fights off whatever bug he has. In fact David sleeps for 18 hours straight! And as Bob returns home from work that night, the night before hearing screams, on this night he hears the joyous laughs and giggles of his happy baby boy.

I know this story very well. *You see, this is my story.* Bob and Susan are my mom and dad, and yes, I am David. I am a chiropractor now too, and I too have a baby son now, Benjamin. That's me and Ben in the photo.

Ben was checked and adjusted within the first minutes of his life. He obviously didn't complain of neck pain or back pain; I adjust him to keep

him healthy ... as with all the children I care for in my office. You see, it's not normal for kids to get ear infections, headaches, allergies or a number of other illnesses we see clear up in our office. When the nervous system is working correctly your internal resistance and healing powers are enhanced.



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—(Greg A. – Pleasanton)

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—(Sarah K. – Pleasanton)

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AROUND PLEASANTON



By JEB BING

Rugby, father of American football, is here

The sport of rugby, often referred to as the “father” of American football, has joined the better known club sports here with the launch of the Pleasanton Cavaliers, a USA Rugby-sanctioned organization that now has field space in Sports Park and other city and school athletic fields.

The sport was started at least 70 years before American football and is by far more popular than baseball and basketball outside the U.S. Coached by Paul Bretz, a teacher at Amador Valley High School, the Pleasanton Cavaliers Rugby Club has been climbing the ranks not only through major wins against formidable opposing teams, but also through local sponsorships. This week, thanks to the promotional work of the DECA business club at Amador, 7-Eleven, Inc. the world's largest convenience-store chain, agreed to sponsor the team for the 2010 season.

A major leap for the nonprofit club, the Cavaliers hope the sponsorship will help spread their message of “responsibility, compassion, self-discipline, honesty, respect, and integrity through the sport of rugby, regardless of ability” — the club's motto. The Cavaliers have been working together with Amador Valley High School's award-winning DECA club to acquire sponsorships while at the same time providing DECA students the opportunity to practice their skills.

Although the Cavaliers are a rugby club that strives to excel in rugby, Bretz also insists that team managers seek opportunities to develop youth in all facets. That's why the Cavaliers are leading the way among organized youth sports clubs in Pleasanton to establish connections with local businesses and the Pleasanton community to “create a philanthropic ideal that demonstrates that kids and adults can work together to make the lives of the community more meaningful,” Bretz told me.

7-Eleven's support of the team was obtained by the work of Amador seniors Rachel McCaslin and Alana D'Onofrio. As members of the DECA club, the two searched for companies willing to back the Cavaliers and eventually met with a representative of corporate 7-Eleven. The duo also managed to attain



JEB BING

Amador Valley High School students Rachel McCaslin and Matt Inderbitzen of the school's DECA business marketing club that recruited 7-Eleven as a club sponsor.

patronage from Access Information Management, ARIA Technologies Incorporated, Enlightening Learners Tutoring and Academic Coaching Services, MM Crossfit, Melissa Pedersen Realty and Hotels Combined.

Laurie Andrews, the Amador DECA advisor, believes the 7-Eleven sponsorship was a welcome opportunity for the DECA club, the Cavaliers and for 7-Eleven. For her students, the assignment to look for potential sponsors gave them a street-wise project based on lessons in the classroom. Youth sports sponsorship was a new area for 7-Eleven, which makes the success of the Amador DECA club even more impressive in its continued outreach to the community.

Andrews believes that the partnership with the Cavaliers will also greatly benefit 7-Eleven locally. At the rugby games, players and fans will see the logo and might pay more attention to 7-Eleven products.

Due to the efforts of the DECA club, a total of \$4,200 has been raised for the Cavaliers team with 7-Eleven adding another \$1,000 in a check presentation last week in front of the store at 4200 Hopyard Road. Managers at the store and from the 7-Eleven regional office at 4301 Hacienda Drive joined 50 Cavalier players who were in full uniform for the event.

In only its second year, the Cavaliers team has grown from 25 high school students to over 100 members ages 9 to 60. Yes, that's right! The Cavaliers' adult team has seasoned players in their 50s and 60s who played the sport in mostly East Coast states and Canada. The high school team is undefeated in league play and has only lost one of nine matches overall.

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About the Cover

Good “life balances” in school, the community and in families are key to enabling high school students to achieve their pursuits in college, careers and more, according to these four student leaders in addressing the Pleasanton City Council and school board last week. They are (from left) Leicester Dissels and Melissa Ott, both seniors at Amador; Teylar Audrey Sweitzer, a student at Village High, and Peter Wrenn, Foothill High School. Photo by Jeb Bing. Cover design by Lili Cao.

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Streetwise

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What are you looking forward to this Easter?



Jack Bessiere, 9

I can't wait to eat all the candy! My favorites are the chocolate-covered rabbits — they are so yummy. I really like to play Ping-Pong with my cousins, even if I don't win very often because they're so good. It's fun to hang out with my family.

Matt Bessiere, 9

I'm looking forward to being around my family members and friends. When I'm at my Nana's house, she cooks a lot and we sit outside and eat a delicious brunch. Last year she hid a \$100 bill and we all searched for it during our big Easter egg hunt. It's so much fun.



Mason Shaffer, 8

I'm hoping to get a big chocolate bunny! Every year we spend Easter with my mom's friend, and we all hunt for eggs together. My mom always gives me an M&M's carrot, and I love it. This year we're going to the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk.

Ava Holbrook, 9

I'm looking forward to setting up our Easter tree. We do it every year and it has a lot of pretty decorations like eggs, birds and flowers. We dye eggs, and the Easter bunny comes and leaves us goodies. We like to lounge around in our pajamas and sometimes my mom cooks a big breakfast.



Kate Cole, 10

Our family has a tradition of traveling together during Spring Break, and this year we're going to Kauai. One year, we were in Florida and the Easter Bunny knocked on the door and gave us gifts — I got a huge basket of everything I wanted. Later in the day, we took a boat to a little beach and the Bunny was driving the boat! That was my favorite Easter.

—Compiled by Christopher Nally, 8, third grader at Walnut Grove Elementary

Have a Streetwise question? E-mail editor@PleasantonWeekly.com

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DIGEST

Adults can play ball

It's time again for teams to battle it out in the city softball league. Parks and Community Services has opens for teams on Tuesday and Friday nights for the 12-game season. All games are at 5:15 p.m. and the fee is \$720 per team. For more information, call Dan Vellasenor at 931-3437 or Marty Bell at 931-3439.

Las Positas presents second Pow Wow

Las Positas College will again host the second annual Native American Exposition and Pow Wow from April 12 to 17 at the campus, located at 3000 Campus Hill Drive in Livermore. Organized by students in the college's Native American Culture Club, the program is designed to educate the campus and community about age-old traditions, historical accomplishments and current issues of the Native American people. For details, contact Mario Jaramillo at 577-8467 or visit <http://nacc.weebly.com> or www.laspositascollege.edu. Events are free and open to the public and parking on campus is \$2.

Headed to Chicago

Pleasanton's Teen Improv troupe Creatures of Impulse has been invited to perform in the Teen Comedy Festival in Chicago in May. In addition to performing their long-form improv format, "Tri-Valley High," an improvised teen soap opera, Creatures of Impulse will attend performance workshops by Second City, the improv and sketch comedy school that spawned the talents of Tina Fey, Steve Carrell and Steven Colbert, to name a few. The troupe will hold fundraising shows for the public, including at 7:30 p.m. April 3 at the Veteran's Memorial Building, 301 Main St. Tickets are \$5 and all proceeds will benefit the troupe's trip to Chicago. The next show will be April 24. To learn more, call 931-3433.

Free swim test for special needs children

April is National Autism Awareness month and the American Swim Academy is offering free swim assessment classes for children with special needs. The academy has two locations in the Tri-Valley, one at 6948 Sierra Ct. in Dublin and the other at 2821 Old 1st St. in Livermore. Children with autism are naturally attracted to water, according to the academy, making drowning the leading cause of death for children with autism. To schedule the free swim assessment, call 800-810-SWIM or visit www.americanswimacademy.com.

School board narrows down superintendent candidate pool to 4

Community panel, interviews planned to help select Pleasanton Unified's new leader

By EMILY WEST

After a series of interviews, the Pleasanton Unified School District board has taken a pool of just over 30 applicants to four candidates still in the running to replace Superintendent John Casey when he retires June 30.

School board member Valerie Arkin, acting as the liaison between the district and the hired search firm Hazard, Young, Attea & Associates, Ltd. (HYA), said the process has gone well so far.

The candidates include two men and two

women, all of whom are from outside of the school district.

"The process is coming along just fine," Arkin said. "We are all pretty satisfied. They are strong candidates who would each bring a little something different."

Next steps would include conducting second interviews and having a community panel meet the candidates and provide input. Arkin said the plan is to do that April 16 and 17.

The community panel would include a rep-

resentative from the teacher's and classified staff unions, a representative from management as well as two constituents picked by each board member. Panel members have yet to be chosen and would likely have to sign a confidentiality agreement.

"We are asking them to give us input, but realize the decision doesn't rest with them, but the board," Arkin said.

That decision isn't one the board is taking

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JAY FLACHSBARTH

Fire damages home across from Pleasanton Library

An unoccupied home at 4834 Harrison St. sustained some damage Saturday when plywood placed on top of a floor furnace caught fire. Firefighters from the Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department were at the scene minutes after a motorist called to report smoke coming from the home, which is located across Old Bernal Avenue from the Pleasanton Library.

An ambulance also was dispatched to the scene, but left after it was determined no one was inside the smoke-filled home.

Fire department investigators determined that the cause of the fire was a 1-foot by 2-foot piece of plywood that was inadvertently left on top of a floor furnace and caught fire. It appeared that the owner was in the process of renovating the home, fire officials said.

Seeing double?

Weekly wants photos for its Mother-Daughter Look-Alike contest

Whether it's clothing styles, general habits or appearance, sometimes it's uncanny how similar mothers and daughters can be. Mothers' Day is coming up May 9, the Pleasanton Weekly is once again holding its Mother-Daughter Look-Alike contest.

Do you know a mother-daughter duo who could practically be twins? Encourage them to send in a digital photo to contest@pleasantonweekly.com by 5 p.m. Monday, April 19. Photos can be black and white or color, but they need to be in JPG format and at least

300 dpi. Photos entered in previous contests are not eligible and only digital photos will be accepted.

The staff at the Weekly will choose the finalists and starting Friday, April 23, readers will be able to vote on which of the finalists look most alike. Voting will end at midnight, May 2. First-place prize is a \$100 gift certificate for Strizzi's restaurant; second-place prize is two tickets to the Vine Cinema.

Photos of the winners will be published in the May 7 edition of the Pleasanton Weekly. ■

Mayors keep control of community television system

TV30's financing impaired by law limiting use of cable fees

By JEB BING

The mayors of the four cities served by TV30 community television have voted to keep themselves in place for at least another six months as the station's board of directors.

The mayors took over control of the station two years ago as TV30 faced a quarter-million-dollar budget deficit that had caused the cities to bail out the station two years in a row to meet its payroll and operating expenses.

Up to then, and since the station was founded in 1976 as an all-volunteer community station, CTV, as it was then called, was governed by a board of directors consisting of community volunteers appointed by the mayors.

Currently, the mayors who are on the board are Tim Sbranti of Dublin; Jennifer Hosterman of Pleasanton; Marshall Kamena of Livermore; and Abram Wilson of San Ramon.

At a meeting, they decided that due to the uncertain economic climate and a number of issues that still need to be resolved regarding the future of the station, they will retain their position as the board of directors for at least another six months or until the station's financial future can be determined.

One of the biggest problems facing the station is DIVCA, which was an act passed by Congress in 2006 that prevents cities from using their franchise fees for operational expenses of community television stations. Franchise revenue can only be used for capital expenses.

Sbranti said this will have a severe impact locally as the current agreement with Comcast expires next year. Comcast now contributes 50 cents of every subscriber's monthly bill to the station. The vast majority of the station's operating revenue comes from the franchise.

"We discussed ways to participate in lobbying efforts to overturn DIVCA (Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition Act of 2006), along with alternative revenue sources and ways to manage the operations both with and without constraints caused by DIVCA," Sbranti said after the meeting.

"Expanded programming, web streaming and enhancements, and the development of a capital plan were other points of discussion," he added. ■

Facebook photos cause student president to resign

BY DOLORES CIARDELLI

Dan Hurd, 18, son of the president of the San Ramon Valley Unified School District board, has resigned his post as student body president at California High School after a photo posted on Facebook showed him drinking beer at a family holiday party.

The resignation, disclosed Monday, came last month after someone anonymously gave administrators two photos posted on Facebook. Hurd's mother, Rachel, is president of the school board.

"The pictures were taken at a family party on New Year's Eve at my sister-in-law's home," Rachel Hurd said.

The home, outside Grass Valley, has been the gathering spot for the last 10 years for the large extended family.

"My brother-in-law is a big outdoor guy and he makes a humungous bonfire every year," said Hurd.

"Every year (my son) Dan has helped my brother-in-law build the fire up, and this year during the preparation he turned to my husband and said, 'Would it be all right if I have a beer at the party tonight?'" she recalled. "My husband thought about it and said, 'Yes, you can have one.'"

Dan had received a new camera for Christmas, and he took pictures throughout the holidays. Someone picked up the camera and snapped one photo of him holding a beer, with the label showing, and another one of him taking a sip and holding a sparkler. Dan reportedly did not real-

ize the photos were taken.

In mid-January, Dan Hurd accompanied friends to a choral group performance at Church of the Valley in San Ramon, where he took more photos.

"He uploaded them to Facebook to show them," said Rachel Hurd, noting that there were more than 50 photos. "He plugged the camera into the computer and uploaded them. He didn't realize he'd done this to himself."

When the choral group members began to look at the photos, they and others noted the one of Dan drinking beer. Someone anonymously turned the photos into school officials.

"On Feb. 5 he was called into the assistant principal's office and confronted with the photos," said Rachel Hurd. "He admitted they were his and what the circumstances were."

Her husband met with Principal Mark Corti, who pointed out that there had been a similar incident three years before with pictures from a teen party and the ASB president at that time had had to resign.

"My husband tried to convey that the circumstances were different," recalled Hurd. But Corti felt nonetheless they had to stick by the decision that Dan should resign.

Hurd, who was elected to the school board in 2006, said she discussed it with the people at the district office and informed the other trustees.

"I came back home and said, 'We need to just go with this. Whether the circumstances were different or not, the pictures were on Face-

book,'" she said.

Dan Hurd resigned from his ASB president position in front of his leadership class Feb. 12.

"For the most part, it had been kept under wraps," said Rachel Hurd. "People were surprised."

Earlier this year at Cal High, four varsity cheerleaders were suspended for two weeks after photos of them smoking a hookah were turned in anonymously to the school.

"The policy is a school-by-school thing," said district spokesman Terry Koehne. "Schools often ask students involved in co-curricular activities to sign codes of conduct around things like alcohol and drugs, smoking, those kinds of things."

The Californian, the student newspaper at Cal High, ran a story March 10 about Dan Hurd resigning his elected office, which someone, again anonymously, delivered to a local news source.

Cities in the San Ramon Valley have social drinking ordinances but they only apply to adults supplying alcohol when hosting parties at their homes.

Dan Hurd is an Eagle Scout and has worked at a Boy Scout camp for the last three summers teaching merit badges. He is also on the springboard diving team at Cal High, and he is the student representative to the Cal High Parent Teacher Student Association.

"This was a student who may have made a mistake but he acknowledged it and acted responsibly," Koehne said. "The school dealt with it consistent with their practice and policy — now let's just move on." ■

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About 75 youth in the Tri-Valley area gathered at Castlewood Country Club recently to attend a kick-off of the golf spring season and shared some valuable life skills and core values. A part of the First Tee Tri-Valley, a non-profit organization that reaches youth ages 7 to 17, the group's goal is to impact the lives of young people by providing learning facilities and educational programs that promote character development and life-enhancing values through the game of golf.

The event was broken into two parts — learning with expert speakers and a pasta feed with bingo and prizes. The goal of the event, organizers said, was tri-fold: to believe in yourself, learn something new and have fun.

All kids are welcome to participate in the life skills and golf learning curriculum offered throughout the year at the Pleasanton Golf Center. Visit www.thefirstteetri-valley.org for more information. Scholarships are available for youth in need.

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lightly.

"It's a tough decision and a lot of responsibility comes with it," she added.

With the school district facing budget challenges in the coming years, some community members have expressed concern over the new leader's salary. Currently, Casey makes \$227,000 plus benefits. Arkin said they have not yet decid-

ed or discussed the salary package, but in early public meetings with HYA, they were encouraged to keep the package competitive in order to attract high-quality applicants.

The school board hired HYA in December, with Arkin and board President Chris Grant negotiating the contract. While the base consulting fee for HYA is \$21,500 with charges for out-of-pocket expenses and traveling not included, the two worked to secure several "a la carte"

services for free, Grant said. He said the expected total cost to the district would likely be between \$28,000 and \$31,000.

In January, the search firm conducted interviews with community leaders as well as holding focus groups with parents at the district site. These meetings had small turnout, but parents also had the opportunity to provide similar feedback to HYA by faxing in a form that was available online. ■

Zone 7 hosts gardening workshops

Saturday's free class to tell gardeners to prepare for spring, save money

Recent rains still aren't enough to cover California's water woes.

Zone 7 Water Agency, along with retail water providers serving Pleasanton, Livermore, Dublin and the Dougherty Valley area of San Ramon, have scheduled water-wise gardening workshops aimed at helping people learn how to create beautiful, low-maintenance, water-conserving yards.

Reducing outdoor water use is, according to Zone 7, typically the single-biggest way to cut down on waste and save on water bills.

The next two workshops are scheduled for 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday at the Pleasanton Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave. and from 2 to 3:30 p.m. April 24 at the Dublin Library, 200 Civic Plaza in Dublin.

Local plant and irrigation experts will discuss how much water plants really need, what types of plants are the most water-efficient, and irrigation practices that can save water.

The workshops will also include a short demonstration on how to



Jacquie Williams-Courtright of Alden Lane Nursery will again be one of the speakers at Saturday's water-wise workshop.

use the new Tri-Valley Water-Wise Gardening website, which can be accessed at www.zone7water.com. Representatives from Zone 7, the Valley's water wholesaler, as well as from the Valley's retail water providers — the cities of Pleasanton

and Livermore, the Dublin San Ramon Services District, and the California Water Service Company — will also provide information.

To learn more about Zone 7 Water Agency, visit www.zone7water.com.

—Emily West

Real estate office nationally recognized

Coldwell Banker named 8th top producer in U.S.

By JEB BING

Coldwell Banker's residential brokerage office in Pleasanton has been named eighth among the top-producing offices nationwide for the national real estate firm.

Coldwell Banker has more than 750 offices in the United States. The firm's Berkeley office ranked third and the Pleasanton office was eighth among "small" offices with 1 to 35 sales associates. The Oakland-Piedmont office ranked 10th among offices with 36 to 50 sales associates. All offices were recognized for total gross commission.

"This is a tremendous accomplishment for the Berkeley, Pleasanton and Oakland-Piedmont offices,"

said Rick Turley, president of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage. "These offices represent areas of the East Bay that are significant to Bay Area real estate, and our agents consistently go above and beyond what's expected to help their clients. We're proud to have them honored for their excellence."

Turley said the East Bay is very diverse when it comes to real estate buyers and sellers.

"Clients are looking to buy everything from foreclosed properties to multi-million dollar homes, so it's important that our agents be experts on the neighborhoods

they represent," he added. "I am happy to see them recognized for their continued efforts and top performance."

Last year Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage's Berkeley office recorded more than \$133 million in home sales and represented nearly 300 buyers and sellers. The Pleasanton office recorded more than \$117 million in sales and handled more than 280 transactions. The Oakland-Piedmont office recorded more than \$164 million in sales and handled more than 360 transactions.

The Pleasanton office, led by Manager Will Butler, is located at 5980 Stoneridge Dr. ■

TAKE US ALONG



Remembering Pleasanton in Cambodia: Christine and Matthew Thompson missed out on documenting taking the Weekly on the hike up to Machu Picchu. So this time around, when they traveled to Cambodia, they made sure to remember. The two are pictured in front of Angkor Wat in Siem Reap, a temple complex built for the king Suryavarman II in the early 12th century.



NorCal travels to SoCal: The Quintanals and the Scalzos kept up-to-date on news up north as they traveled to San Diego to watch the Colts play the Chargers. Pictures are the Scalzos to the left: Joe, Katie, Tricia and Dave, and the Quintanals: Jillian, Connie and John. The Colts won, 24-21.

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THE OPINION OF THE WEEKLY

Jet noise still a concern for Pleasanton

Nearly a decade of debates, committee meetings and frequent complaints over the future of the Livermore Airport may have been concluded successfully last week when the Livermore City Council approved an environmental impact report and rezoned the airport to allow for limited expansion but no major increase in air traffic. We use the word “may” because the Pleasanton City Council has yet to obtain and review all of the documents Livermore endorsed nor has it had a response to its March 16 letter commenting on the EIR. A major concern is jet airplane traffic — particularly the noise from these jets that generally fly over Pleasanton neighborhoods in the vicinity of Mohr and Fairlands elementary schools and the soon-to-be developed senior housing development on Staples Ranch. The impacts from jet travel could be significant in those portions of Pleasanton and City Manager Nelson Fialho, in his letter to Livermore Principal Planner Susan Frost, stated that “we (Pleasanton) disagree with the FEIR findings that the single-event noise impacts in Pleasanton will be insignificant.” FEIR refers to Livermore’s Final Environmental Impact Report which analyzed and recommended approval of the airport rezoning ordinance.

We’re concerned, too. Even though all of Pleasanton’s homes are outside of the airport’s noises contour as defined by Livermore, airport authorities received 60 aircraft noise-related complaints from Pleasanton residents in 2009. This number counts as only one complaint each from two residents who call to complain regularly. It also includes a 10-percent decrease for flights not associated with the Livermore airport with more complaints being made last year when Southwest Airlines re-routed its incoming flights to Oakland closer to the skies over the Ruby Hill and Vintage Hills neighborhoods. These complaints are expected to increase as more jets fly in and out of Livermore. Both Bechtel Corp., which now manages the Livermore Labs, and San Ramon-headquartered Chevron have the largest fleet of corporate planes at Oakland International Airport and could find Livermore more convenient in the future. The Livermore and Sandia labs also attract government-owned jets flying here from Albuquerque and Washington, D.C., and that traffic could increase. Other Tri-Valley companies that have their own aircraft and also have suppliers that travel here frequently on corporate jets include Safeway Corp. and Kaiser Permanente.

In rezoning the airport land, the Livermore City Council also promised that any future development at the airport will only be approved based on actual demand, that airport managers will not encourage major cargo carriers to use the Livermore airport as a more convenient landing field than Oakland, that the city has no intention of expanding either of the airport’s two runways and that it will continue to work with Pleasanton and other Tri-Valley communities, including its own residents, to monitor noise and seek noise abatement where possible.

The Pleasanton City Council plans to take another look at the documents Livermore just approved to see if they satisfy the city’s long-standing and frequently-stated airport noise, jet traffic and safety concerns. If not, another round of public hearings and possible litigation may follow. ■



Visit Town Square at PleasantonWeekly.com to comment on the editorial.

GUEST OPINION



BY MATT SULLIVAN

End the lockout of Castlewood workers

We are in one of the worst recessions in our nation’s history. Many people have lost their jobs, their health insurance, even their homes. The people of Pleasanton haven’t been immune to this and many of our residents and businesses are suffering. Our city and school district budgets have been cut, teachers have lost their jobs and city spending has been curtailed.

But with all the terrible stories of this recession, some rise to level of near disbelief. I recently met with a group of hospitality and service workers from Castlewood Country Club and their union representatives from UniteHere! Local 2850. They had been in contract negotiations with the management of the Country Club since September 2009. Recognizing that the club has been having difficulty like other businesses, the workers agreed to a wage freeze and to contribute \$225 per month to their family health insurance. For many years, the workers had agreed to accept lower wages in exchange for health insurance. Past management of Castlewood should be congratulated for offering health insurance to their employees in an era where it is indeed rare for workers such as these to have benefits.

But as reported in this paper, the club management decided recently that negotiations were not going well, made a draconian final offer that would require employees to pay the full \$739 per month for

family health insurance and then locked them out and brought in replacement workers. For workers who make on average \$12.53 per hour — or roughly \$2,100 a month (before taxes) for a full-time employee — this is prohibitive. The country club may indeed be suffering revenue declines during this economy, but its management has also refused to share the details of the club’s finances with the union. They cite competitive salaries and benefits in other local businesses as justification for the offer. The workers have been locked out for over a month with no end in sight. Most of us have it pretty good in Pleasanton, but many of these workers are Pleasanton residents and cannot survive on what is being offered.

Members of the Pleasanton City Council have called on the management of Castlewood Country Club to end the lockout and re-enter negotiations in good faith with the union and the workers, but to no avail. Whatever your opinion on unions, we all owe humane working conditions and the benefits most of us now enjoy to union struggles of the past. In my opinion, it appears that management is trying to break the union. If you agree that this lockout should end, please call Castlewood Board President Jim Clouser at 837-8969 and tell him so. My request has been met with hostility and disregard.

As my friend and supporter of the Castlewood workers Fred Norman said, “the workers starve and golf continues.” Maybe if enough of us call they will listen.

Matt Sullivan is a member of the Pleasanton City Council.

LETTERS

Don’t fall for Lin family promises

Dear Editor,

Don’t be fooled by the letter sent out by the Lin family recently in regard to the Oak Grove development. The promise of \$100,000 to \$200,000 in taxes for the schools and city will only come when the 51 custom homes are built, and that could take years. Vote “no” June 8 and protect our hillsides.

Marilyn Ludt

Real reason for the census

Dear Editor,

The question about the importance of the census caught my eye several days ago (“Do you think the census is important?,” Streetwise, March 19, page 4). As I read the responses, I was surprised that nobody mentioned the precise purpose of the census. The reason

for the census is to have representative government. We number the citizens in order to send local representatives to Washington that we know, or think we do, and we trust. Hopefully, we trust our representatives to use good judgment. How can we have a successful life if our government is intervening where it shouldn’t, or not intervening where it should? The current system where districts have been divided based on computer models of voting behaviors is really a perversion of the intent of the census and representative government, but at least we still have somewhat of a say in who leads. So yes, the census is important.

As to all of the reasons mentioned in the interviews, they centered around securing funds for ourselves out of the big piggy bank in Washington. Funding is really only incidental to the census, and perhaps a questionable motivation for our representatives. I would suggest we have too much money sent to the federal piggy bank if we have to use our legislative process to get back

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what was taken to meet our bills. Requiring representatives to propose sometimes questionable projects as amendments to legislation in order to bring money and jobs to a district is unpleasantly manipulative. It is also frustratingly wasteful.

Charlie Henze

Vote 'no' on D, 'no' on Oak Grove

Dear Editor,

The proponents of the Oak Grove development want you to believe that none of the mature oak trees will be removed as part of their development. Consider the following: their initial ballot argument stated that no trees will be removed. Then, in their subsequent ballot argument rebuttal, they indicated that 58 trees will be removed. However, they failed to mention that the 58 trees are only for the construction of roads — it is still unknown how many trees will be eliminated to build the houses. Furthermore, the plan doesn't take into account fire safety requirements that the area around the home must be free of trees and shrubs — that could require the elimination of still more trees. Even the city staff estimates a higher number of oak trees will be removed but their estimate is based on an outdated plan that doesn't include the developer's revised location of new homes. In the end, nobody really knows how many trees will be removed for this proj-

ect. Isn't that an important detail to confirm before this election? Save the trees, save the ridgelines, save the hills, vote "no" on D. For more information go to www.savepleasantonhills.com.

Allen Roberts

McNerney didn't represent his district

Dear Editor,

If you are a citizen of the 11th Congressional District and oppose government takeover of our health care system (Obamacare), then please read on. Our Congressman, Jerry McNerney, voted for Obamacare again on March 21, despite all the opposition from his constituents.

We must remind Congressman McNerney that he was elected to represent the citizens of the 11th Congressional District, and he works for us. We also need to remind him he was not elected to serve Nancy Pelosi and Barack Obama.

Please remember this when it comes time to vote in November, and let's elect someone who listens and truly represents us in Washington. If you are concerned by the direction Congress is taking our country, but frustrated because we can't seem to do anything about it, we can. We can control who represents us in Washington, and that's the first step in getting them to listen to us.

Dom Ochoa



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OBITUARIES

Carlos Cruz Herrero

Carlos Cruz Herrero died peacefully in Pleasanton March 13 at the age of 89.

Born May 3, 1920, Mr. Herrero was a native of Agana, Guam where he lived until 1939 when he enlisted in the U.S. Navy serving until his honorable discharge in 1970. A Master Chief Petty Officer, Mr. Herrero served aboard USS Portland, USS Cumberland Sound, USS Walton, USS Epperson, USS Los Angeles, and USS Kittyhawk. He was stationed at Treasure Island, Alameda, Kodiak, and Pearl Harbor.

A decorated veteran, he served in World War II, Korea and Vietnam. While in the service, he was awarded the following: Navy Unit Commendation, Asiatic-Pacific Citation (eight stars), World War II Victory Medal, United Nations Ribbon, United Nations Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal and the Vietnam Campaign Medal, as well as numerous good conduct awards. Upon discharge from the military, he worked for the U.S. Post Office until 1991.

He is survived by Gloria, his devoted wife of 67 years; children Al (Sugar) of Orangevale, Carol Lehnus (Chuck) of Union City, Len (Laurie) of Castro Valley and Mary of Dublin; grandchildren Wynette, Carl, Thomas, Wendy, Annette, Joshua, Jennifer; 10 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews, all of whom loved him and will miss him very much.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Maria Leon Guerrero Dela Cruz and father, Tomas Herrero of Guam and seven siblings.

A visitation and viewing was held March 19 at Graham-Hitch Mortuary in Pleasanton with a Rosary following. A funeral mass was held March 20 at St. Raymond Catholic

Church in Dublin.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to VFW Post 6298 P.O. Box 601, Pleasanton CA 94588.

Louise Felton Tracy

Louise Felton Tracy died March 17 in Pleasanton, surrounded by family. She was 86.

Beloved wife and mother, Mrs. Tracy was born in 1923 in Starr, S.C., the daughter of the late Andy and Della Felton. She was raised in Miami, Fla., and used to tell stories of happy childhood days on Miami Beach. During World War II, Mrs. Tracy worked for the American Red Cross as a liaison between servicemen and their families. Throughout her life she volunteered for the Red Cross.

She graduated from University of Miami, with a degree in journalism, reflective of her talent and love of writing.

After moving to California, she married Clif Tracy in 1948, and they had six children. Even as she was raising a family, Mrs. Tracy was a writer, and had some articles published in popular women's magazines.

Mrs. Tracy returned to the workforce in 1968, with the American Red Cross. She also attended Graduate School at Cal State Hayward, earning a master's degree in family counseling. She worked at Cupertino Junior High School as a middle school counselor for the rest of her career. She positively impacted many teenagers' lives.

After retiring, Mrs. Tracy wrote the very successful book, "Grounded For Life — Stop Blowing Your Fuse and Start Communicating with your Teenager." Still being reprinted by Parenting Press, "Grounded For Life" published in a number of different languages and sold successfully in many countries, including Mexico and Korea.

A cornerstone of Mrs. Tracy was her unshakable faith in God. She chose churches to attend by the



way the sermons moved her, not on denomination. She attended Presbyterian, Baptist, Nazarene and Methodist Churches, and was closely affiliated with Unity beliefs.

She will be remembered for her amazing southern hospitality and ability to listen and empathize. She never judged but always loved.

Mrs. Tracy is survived by her son Mike Tracy of Rocklin, Calif.; daughter Della Davis of Capitola, Calif.; daughter Teresa Hansen of Elk Grove, Calif.; daughter Barbara Boyer of Pleasanton; son and daughter-in-law Matt and Maria Tracy of Pleasanton; and daughter and son-in-law Virginia and Mike Vickers of Pleasanton; her adopted daughter and son-in-law Diane and Jonathan Ha; and grandchildren Justin, Kristi, Nikki, Erin, Joe, Shannon, Grace, Maiya, Nate, Marisol, Louise, Benjamin, Lily, Christine, and two great grandchildren, Jordin and Cailyn.

She was preceded in death by her husband Clif Tracy.

A service is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. April 3, at Lynwood Methodist Church, 4444 Black Ave. A memorial gathering to follow in Pleasanton.

BIRTHS



Charlotte Rose Smith

Charlotte Rose Smith was born Feb. 13 at 12:38 a.m. to parents Brian and Robyn (Tucknott) Smith. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and was 19 inches long. Grandparents include Kathleen Smith, Dennis Smith, Bob Tucknott and Debra Aizikovitz.

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A series of fights broke out at Santa Rita Jail in Dublin Monday afternoon, prompting officials to lock down the facility for 24 hours, an Alameda County sheriff's spokesman said.

The fights involved inmates of one of the jail's minimum security units. Sheriff's Sgt. J.D. Nelson said the fights appear to have stemmed from an incident that happened during the inmates' scheduled outdoor yard time.

A deputy noticed that some of the bagged lunches that are distributed during yard time were missing, and told the inmates they would lose the privilege of spending time outside if the lunches were not returned.

Upon canceling yard time, inmates returned to the housing unit and a fight broke out in a common area. Nelson said that fight was stopped, but two more fights followed, one in which one of the participants suffered serious injuries and required hospital treatment.

He said each fight involved one black and one Hispanic inmate and that jail officials implemented a 24-hour lockdown to investigate the disputes, in part to determine whether there are larger racial tensions in the jail.

The lockdown, which is affecting all of the jail's 3,700 inmates, was later lifted.

—Bay City News

POLICE REPORT

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

March 23

Forgery

- 1:01 p.m. in the 200 block of South Glenstone Avenue

Robbery

- 5:56 p.m. in the 3700 block of Hopyard Road

March 24

Theft

- 7:37 a.m. in the 5800 block of West Las Positas Boulevard; petty theft
- 8:42 a.m. in the 5600 block of Owens Drive; grand theft
- 11:55 a.m. in the 4200 block of Hacienda Drive; grand theft
- 1:39 p.m. in the 1500 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; petty theft
- 3:55 p.m. in the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road
- 4:27 p.m. in the 7800 block of Fair Oaks Drive; identity theft

Marijuana possession

- 3:02 p.m. at the intersection of Del Valle Parkway and Tiffany Lane

Disturbing the peace

- 5:38 p.m. at the intersection of West Las Positas Boulevard and Coronado Lane

March 25

Grand theft

- 3:25 p.m. in the 3500 block of Ballantyne Drive
- 5:31 p.m. in the 8300 block of Moller Ranch Drive

Vandalism

- 3:40 p.m. in the 6600 block of Via San Blas

Non-narcotic controlled substance possession

- 9:13 p.m. in the 4700 block of Saginaw Circle

Animal bite

- 10:54 p.m. in the 3400 block of Virgil Circle

False imprisonment

- 10:25 a.m. in the 2000 block of Valley Oak Court

March 26

Theft

- 8:12 a.m. in the 2800 block of Foothill Oaks Terrace; grand theft
- 4:08 p.m. in the 2300 block of Gloria Court; grand theft
- 11:22 p.m. in the 4300 block of First Street; petty theft

Burglary

- 6:46 a.m. in the 8100 block of Moller Ranch Drive
- 1:36 p.m. in the 3800 block of

Foothill Road; vehicular

DUI

- 10:40 a.m. in the 6000 block of Johnson Drive

- 10:30 p.m. at the intersection of Santa Rita Road and Sutter Gate Avenue

- 11:54 p.m. at the intersection of Hopyard Road and Black Avenue

March 27

Theft

- 4:38 p.m. in the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; petty theft
- 5:57 p.m. in the 5500 block of Sonoma Drive; grand theft
- 5:59 p.m. in the 1000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; grand theft

Shoplifting

- 2:38 p.m. in the 1600 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

DUI

- 2:02 a.m. at the intersection of Stoneridge Drive and Hopyard Road

- 11:09 a.m. in the 4200 block of Fairlands Drive

- 3:08 p.m. in the 5900 block of West Las Positas Boulevard

Drug/alcohol violations

- 1:18 p.m. at the intersection of Valley Avenue and Koll Center Parkway; paraphernalia possession

- 9:29 p.m. at the intersection of Santa Rita Road and Rosewood Drive; public drunkenness

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WEEKLY MEETING NOTICES

City Council

Tuesday, April 6, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.
 Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

- Overview of Urban Habitat Litigation, effect of Judge's Order, and potential next steps
- Resolution regarding labor dispute between Castlewood Country Club and Unite Here!, Hospitality Workers Union Local 2850
- Overview of water and sewer rates and authorization to mail the Proposition 218 notification of the public hearing on June 1, 2010
- Consider a resolution in support of the Proposition 15, the California Fair Elections Act

Civic Arts Commission

Monday, April 5, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.
 Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

- Approval of Public Art Project Design and Donation
- Review of FY 2010-11 Community Grant Process

Human Services Commission

Wednesday, April 7, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.
 Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

- Review of FY 2010/11 Housing and Human Services Grant Program and Evaluation Process
- Review of Commission Meeting Schedule for May, June, July, August and September 2010

Parks & Recreation Commission

Thursday, April 8, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.
 Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

- Community Services Report –Youth and Adult Sports/Tennis/Golf
- Review Veterans Memorial Building Joint Use Agreement Between the City of Pleasanton and the Veterans Organizations of Pleasanton (VOP)
- Review of the Commission Meeting Schedule for April – December 2010
- Discuss selection of topics for future meetings and alternative meeting locations
- Parks Maintenance Division Quarterly Report for January, February, and March 2010
- Parks Projects Quarterly Status Report for January, February, and March 2010

Library Commission

- The April 8th Library Commission meeting has been moved to April 15th due to spring break.

ENERGY TIPS OF THE WEEK

Replace all incandescent bulbs with CFLs

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The above represents a sampling of upcoming meeting items. For complete information, please visit www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us/community/calendar



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FUTURE LEADERS

‘LIFE BALANCES’ GIVING STUDENTS A JUMP ON COLLEGE, CAREER SUCCESSES

By JEB BING

You have to admire the 80 Pleasanton high school students who knuckled down last week to analyze and then report on their concerns in the community, in their schools, with their friends and with their families.

Participating were students from Amador Valley, Foothill, Village and Horizon high schools.

Addressing this year’s theme of “Life Balances,” the students talked about their goals in life, colleges and careers they hope to pursue and the influences at home and in the community that are helping them to shape those aspirations.

Four students were chosen to present the report to a joint meeting of the Pleasanton City Council and the school board. They were Leicester Dissels and Melissa Ott, both seniors at Amador; Peter Wrenn from Foothill; and Teylar Audrey Sweitzer, a student at Village High.

Major concerns dealt with too much homework and the need for a recreation center where teens can “hang out.” Students also suggested more teacher meetings about homework assignments so that various classes can coordinate their test dates and major assignments which, the students said, are all too frequently at the same times.

Ott also suggested moving some of the classes dealing with practical needs, such as personal budgeting and checkbook balancing, from senior level courses to freshman and sophomore years to give students a head start on these types of lessons.

“I’d also like to suggest breaking up the school day with more ‘down time’ opportunities instead of scheduling school activities always in the morning before school starts or after classes end,” Ott said.

Councilman Jerry Thorne agreed.

“I see an awful lot of comments about excessive homework,” he said. “I remember that was a problem when I was in school. We need to see what we can do about it.”

Councilwoman Cheryl Cook-Kallio, a history teacher at Irvington High School in Fremont, said she often cautions students to avoid taking more than a couple of advanced placement classes, which require much more homework and intensive studying.

School takes up most of our lives for the majority of your younger years so it's the most we have and need to deal with in our everyday lives. School gives me the education and skills I'll need and causes me to stay on task and achieve attainable goals."

A student's report to the City Council and school board at a recent joint meeting.



JEB BING

A junior at Foothill High School, suggests to a joint meeting of the Pleasanton City Council and school board that schools offer support classes where parents could discuss mutual issues they have with their teenagers. Also shown listening are (from left) Councilwoman Fialho and Superintendent John Casey. Above: Village High School senior Teylar Audrey Sweitzer thanks members of the City Council and school board for their support of Youth in Government Day that helps students get to know their city and school. Mayor Hopkins, who heads the program for Pleasanton, is to Sweitzer's left.

"Today I had a girl fall asleep in class because she was up until 4:30 a.m. studying for a chemistry test," Cook-Kallio said. "Teachers are having a hard time convincing parents that their kids are taking too heavy a load at school. There's a big difference in homework requirements in AP college level classes and regular college prep classes."

Based on their comments, students said their schools could help by spreading out the units needed in college prep programs over the four years instead of bunching them up for juniors and seniors. While offering teenagers the place where most interact socially, schools also add to their stress with too much homework and classroom tests, offsetting the balance they need between studies and social activities.

Good family relationships also were paramount in a healthy, well-balanced lifestyle, students said.

"My family is where my morals lie," one student said. "It is a major part of my political socialization and sets my morals that will follow me the rests of my life. If your family supports you, that will keep you strong and will encourage you in your life pursuits."

But students also said they are influenced in a troubling sort of way when they find their parents arguing and showing their own stress, which some said is occurring more frequently as her family faces economic concerns and the possibility of job loss.

"Family problems take away from the support I hope to have at home," a student said. "It's OK if my family pushes me to do my best, helps with my academics and has high expectations for me, but too often parents have their own problems and stress or are too overbearing to

provide the help I need."

When it comes to extra-curricular activities, the students agreed that these relieve stress, whether at school or in community-sponsored programs.

"If it's something I like to do, I'm happy to have the challenges, competition, recreation and social engagement to help maintain my life balance," another student said. "These activities give me something to look forward to and serve as an outlet for creative energy."

Despite their concerns over too much homework and stress at school, the students also said that "school educates us and prepares us for the world and the society we are about to take over."

"School takes up most of our lives for the majority of your younger years so it's the most we have and need to deal with in our everyday lives," a student said. "School gives me the education and skills I'll need and causes me to stay on task and achieve attainable goals."

"School is my main focus so it has a tendency to be put first ahead of other activities that balance my life, encouraging me to achieve academic excellence," he continued. "We're fortunate to have counselors there to help us if we are having issues."

School board President Chris Grant said the reports by the 80 students "are truly impressive."

"These students are so articulate, so excited," he said. "If anyone has doubts about the future of Pleasanton, all they have to do is hear what these students had to say."

"I have a lot of faith in our future," he added. "I wouldn't be surprised if some of these kids aren't on the City Council and school board in the years ahead." ■

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The event is from 1-3 p.m. April 4 at the Dublin Library, 200 Civic Plaza, Dublin. Join poet & author Susan G. Wooldridge for a two-hour afternoon workshop exploring creativity utilizing poetry, writing and collage. Susan is a poet/teacher with California Poets in the School. Call 828-1315 or visit www.aclibrary.org.

Classes

BABYSITTING CERTIFICATION CLASS

The class is from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. April 17 at Cultural Arts Center, 4477 Black Ave. City of Pleasanton's Babysitting for Beginners. Participants will learn the essential skills needed to be a successful babysitter. Cost \$48. Visit www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us.

BEGINNING BRIDGE 1 Classes are from 6:30-8:30 p.m. April 6 - May 25 at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Designed for new players with no previous bridge experience. Instructor Audrey Rennels, is a Life Master trained teacher. Must be 18 and over. Cost is \$50 for residents or \$55 for non-residents. Call 931-5365 or visit www.pleasantonseniorcenter.org.

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NAVIGATING THE COLLEGE APPLICATION MAZE

The class is from 6:30-9 p.m. April 16 at Las Positas College, 3033 Collier Canyon Rd., Livermore. Course will provide an

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Beth Fox, certified yoga instructor, teaches Yoga Basics, a yoga class that is open to the public and meets from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Mondays at Lynnewood Methodist Church, 4444 Black Ave. Supplies are available for class. Cost is \$12. Call 200-4060.

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Daughters of the American Revolution, Jose Maria Amador Chapter meets the second Saturday of the month. It is a time for social gathering and history of our American roots. We are descended from Patriots who won the American Revolutionary War of Independence from England. For meeting time and location, call Susan, 699-4147.

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The East Bay Executives Association is a non-profit organization for helping businesses network the other businesses. It meets at 7:15 a.m. on the first and third Tuesdays monthly at Shari's, 3360

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KIWANIS CLUB The Kiwanis Club meets at 11:45 a.m. Fridays at Vic's All Star Kitchen, 201 A Main St. For information, call 1-800-Kiwanis.

LIVERMORE AMADOR VALLEY GARDEN CLUB (LAVGC)

The event is from 7-9 p.m. April 8 at Harvest Park Middle School, 4900 Valley Blvd. Topic: "The importance of gardening for farmers: Embracing failure for success." Guest speaker Fred Hempel, will share his knowledge on gardening. He is an amateur tomato breeder. Call 461-1725 or visit www.orgsites.com/ca/lavgc.

QUILT LECTURE

The event is from 1:30-3:30 p.m. April 10 at Pleasanton Middle School, 5001 Case Ave. Amador Valley Quilt Guild will feature quilt artist Anelie Belden presenting a Trunk Show. Quilters of all levels are welcome. Call 510-881-0217 or email ddriverdriver@yahoo.com.

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Events

EASTER EGG HUNT The event is 10:45 a.m. April 4 at Living Vine Fellowship, 4100 First St. Children rush to find lots and lots of eggs. The egg hunt begins immediately following Easter Service with refreshments. Call 727-7094 or visit www.livingvinefellowship.org.

FARMERS MARKET Island Earth's farmers market is open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Fridays in the parking lot between Macy's and Sears at Stoneridge Shopping Center. It

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PLEASANTONIANS 4 PEACE Pleasantonians 4 Peace is again sponsors a candlelight vigil at 7 p.m. the second Wednesday of the month in front of the Museum on Main, 603 Main St. The group reflects on the human and monetary costs of the war, honors veterans who have sacrificed, and visualize ways of moving beyond this conflict to a more peaceful world. They plan to continue this monthly event as long as necessary. Contact Cathie Norman at 462-7495; Matt Sullivan at mjs7882@gmail.com; or visit www.Pleasantonians4Peace.org.

POETRY, PROSE & ARTS FESTIVAL The event is from 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. and 9 a.m.- 3:30 p.m. April 18 at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Festival includes 16 workshops, poetry and prose awards banquet and Saturday afternoon Literary Row and book signing. Registration deadline April 9. Cost packages range from \$20-\$185. Call 931-5350 or visit www.pleasantonarts.org.

Pleasanton Public Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave. The movie stars Ioan Grufford as William Wilderforce, a true hero who spent his career in the English parliament fighting for the end of the British slave trade. Film is rated PG. Call 846-8517.

Fundraisers

CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT The third annual Charity Golf Tournament, benefiting the Tri-Valley YMCA will be April 30 at Callippe Preserve Golf Course. Early bird rates are \$165 or \$850 for a corporate foursome and include lunch, golf, cocktail auction and live action. Events for non-golfers, including dinner and auction, are \$40. Register online at <http://trivalleyymcaeastbay.org>. Call Marilyn Casper at 475-6108.

Health

RAISING A CHILD THAT THRIVES This event is from 7-9 p.m. April 19 at Harvest Park Middle School, 4900 Valley Ave. Hosted by Todd Sarner, MFT. He is a Marriage & Family Therapist and will be talking about attachment parenting. Have you ever wondered if there was another option for dealing with behavior problems in your child? Call 519-3003 or visit www.holisticmoms.org.

RECLAIMING YOUR SEXUAL PASSION: ENHANCING YOUR DESIRE SEXUAL FULFILLMENT The meeting is from 11-1:30 p.m. April 17 at Kaiser Medical Offices, 7601 Stoneridge Dr., north building, 2nd floor, conference rooms A/B/C. Women-only lecture about "Reclaiming Your Sexual Passion." Increase communication & intimacy in your relationship. Open to members & non-members, RSVP to 847-5110.

Holiday

SECULAR PROGRESSIVE COMMUNITY POTLUCK SEDER The Tri-Valley Cultural Jews will hold a community potluck seder at 5 p.m. April 3 at Bothwell Arts Center, 2466 8th St., Livermore. The seder features an English-language progressive Secular haggadah highlighting the power of community and the value of freedom. Reservations required. Cost \$10 for adults. Call 510-888-1404 or visit www.Tri-ValleyCulturalJews.org.

Exhibits

SEWARD JOHNSON SCULPTURES COMING TO DOWNTOWN PLEASANTON The sculptures will be on display from April 1 through June 30. City of Pleasanton will welcome an interactive art exhibit by internationally known sculptor J. Seward Johnson to sidewalk locations in downtown Pleasanton. Eleven life-size, three-dimensional bronze sculptures depict the everyday activities of people who may be found anywhere. Call 931-5355 or email jfinegan@ci.pleasanton.ca.us.

THROUGH THE GLASS EYE The exhibit is open from 11-5 p.m. April 16, 17, and 18 at Deer Ridge Vineyards, 1828 Wetmore Road, Livermore. Photographic landscapes will be on display featuring Marc Davis, Chris Foster, Stephen Joseph, Lon Overacker and Lawrence Piggins. Reception for the artists is from 2-4 p.m. April 18. Call 866-561-0838 or visit www.artfulsolutions.net.

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PIRATES, TREASURE & MORE The event is from 2-2:45 p.m. at the Pleasanton Public Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave. Enjoy a sneak peek at scenes from the upcoming Pleasanton Civic Arts/SF Shakespeare Festival production of "Treasure Island". After wards meet and talk with the Director & community cast members. Best for ages 5 and up. Call 931-3400 ext 8 or visit www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us/services/library/.

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Spiritual

EASTER SERVICES Celebrate Easter with festival music and joy April 4 at St. Clare's Episcopal Church, 3350 Hopyard Rd. Services with Holy Eucharist at 8 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. Call 462-4802 or visit www.stclarespleasanton.org.

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YOUNG ADULT RETREAT "Connected, Present & Grateful" As technology takes an ever growing role in our lives, come take a look at the clutter that invades our lives and find ways to become truly connected to God. 9-4 p.m. April 10 at San Damiano Retreat, 710 Highland Dr., Danville. Cost \$50. Call 837-9141 ext. 315 or visit www.sandamiano.org.

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Volunteering

AMERICAN RED CROSS PUBLIC BLOOD DRIVE American Red Cross is holding a public blood drive at the Safeway Employee Fitness Facility from 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 7, at the facility, 5858 Stoneridge Mall Rd. To schedule an appointment, visit www.redcrossblood.org (Sponsor Code: SAFEWAY84). One donation can help save the lives of up to three people.

AMERICAN RED CROSS VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION American Red Cross is holding a volunteer orientation at its Pleasanton Blood Donor Center from 4-6 p.m., Thursday, April 15, at the center, 5556-B Springdale Ave. Tour the center and learn about ways to greet, inform and thank our community's blood donors or help post flyers at key locations. Advanced sign-up required; call (510) 594-5165.

ONGOING VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED Senior Support Program of the Tri-Valley is looking for Volunteer Drivers to transport seniors to their medical appointments. The Senior Transportation Program supplements existing public and Para transit services by providing rides via volunteer drivers. For information, call Jennifer at 931-5387.

VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION The class is 1-2:30 p.m. April 10 at the East County Animal Shelter, 4595 Gleason Dr., Dublin. Do you love animals and have an interest in volunteering? Tri-Valley Animal Rescue will be holding an orientation for new volunteers. Come & learn about current volunteer opportunities. Cost \$10. Call 408-202-6708 or visit www.tvvar.org.

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Making the cut



Pleasanton salon owner stars in Bravo's 'Shear Genius'

BY EMILY WEST

As the winner of Bravo's "Shear Genius" will be announced next week, contestant Arzo Nazamy is back to the pace of normal life.

A self-professed "hair geek," Nazamy spends most of her time doing something relating to hair. Most days she is at Vogue Hair Studio, the Pleasanton salon she's owned for nearly 16 years. Otherwise, she spends one day a week at a salon in San Francisco, where she now lives.

"A hair geek is someone who is obsessed with hairstyles and dressing and constantly trying to figure out ways to make it better," she said. "I'm always trying to figure out options and fill the needs of people with their hair problems."

Even during her "time off" she said she's usually teaching a haircutting class or attending an event to learn about new products and styles.

During her run on the popular cable channel show, she was able to show off her talents to the world and put the Bay Area on the "hair world" map.

Having loved the first two seasons, Nazamy said she wanted to be on the show for the sake of hairdressers and to expand her skills with other top stylists.

"Of course, if I would have won the money it would have been awesome, but I just wanted to showcase my work," she said.

After applying, she was one of the 12 chosen to be on the show. The process, Nazamy said, was very involved, with applicants having to do a hair cut and showcase their editorial work and celebrity clients.

"You couldn't just be a run-of-the-mill hairdresser," she said.

Her experience includes styling celebs like Rose McGowan and editorial clients such as Bed, Bath and Beyond and MTV.

Nazamy praised Bravo's choices, confirming that they were high-caliber hairdressers. The friendships formed with many of the fellow stylists still remain and have become a highlight of her experience.

Despite being glad for the experience, Nazamy said she was disappointed with the show and would never do it again. She believes that her quiet and friendly nature likely kept her from being successful on the show.

"It's not based on skill or talent, it basically has to do with how much drama you can drum up," she said.

While she believes that she was edited and represented fairly, she said she was naïve about how the decisions were made.

"I feel like my work spoke for itself, it was really great work," she said. "You can't make something look bad when it doesn't look bad. I was represented well, but it's just that the judges didn't judge; the producers really decide who wins or who doesn't."

Nazamy was eliminated in the second episode, after a challenge required the contestants to create avant-garde hairstyles based on a tasting menu at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel's Dakota restaurant.

"I don't think (my elimination) was fair whatsoever," she said. "My work stood up for itself."

She said she considers the experience to be less of a competition and more of just an entertaining TV show.

Since trading the bright lights of the small screen for the glow of the salon's lights on Sunol Boulevard, Nazamy is back to creating her signature styles for the locals and teaching her methods to others.

"Basically, I love the community and the area and wanted to run a great business for the community and the stylists," she said. "I'm really into what I do and I really love hairdressers."

To learn more about Nazamy, visit www.voguehairstudio.com or call 417-1635. The finale episode is scheduled to air Wednesday at 10 p.m. For more information on "Shear Genius" visit www.bravotv.com. ■

Women share stories to help others

'Vagina Monologues' shows to benefit Tri-Valley Haven domestic violence programs

Eve Ensler's popular production, "The Vagina Monologues" is back at the Bankhead Theater in Livermore to help bolster the Tri-Valley Haven's domestic violence and sexual assault programs.

The show opens at 8 tonight, with performances also taking place Saturday and April 9 at the same time. Local businesses will also host performances during downtown Livermore's shopping event from 6 to 9 p.m. April 7.

In keeping with the spirit of the show, Livermore's downtown association has deemed April to be Women Helping Women month. Downtown merchants will be offering special items — such as "V-tinis" — with proceeds also going to the Haven.

Tickets range from \$27 to \$42 and can be purchased at www.bankheadtheater.org or by calling 373-6800.

The Haven's funding was recently slashed due to state budget cuts. Its Rape Crisis Center serves over 200 sexual assault survivors from Livermore, Pleasanton and Dublin each year. Additionally, more than 300 women and children stay in the domestic violence shelter annually. The Haven strives to break the cycle of violence by teaching classes in area high schools, elementary and middle schools.

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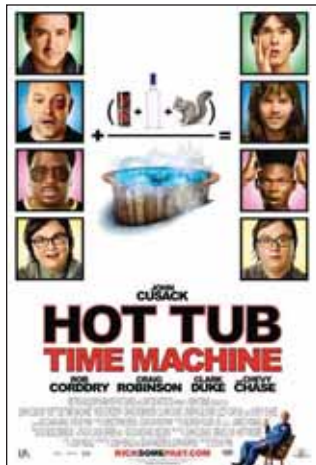
BY TYLER HANLEY

Hot Tub Time Machine

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Rated: R for pervasive language, strong crude content, sexual content, nudity and drug use

1 hour, 40 minutes



"The Hangover" meets "Back to the Future" in this hilarious and unapologetically adult buddy chuckler. A cornucopia of tongue-in-cheek '80s references — including the presence of leading man John Cusack, who made a name for himself in '80s movies such as "Better Off Dead" and "Say Anything..." — fuels the entertaining plot and riotous scenarios. Soak it up.

Three longtime friends have watched their lives steer in decidedly different directions than they had envisioned in their youth. Adam (Cusack) is dealing with a nasty breakup while looking after his video-game-obsessed nephew (Clark Duke as Jacob); Nick (Craig Robinson) abandoned a music career for marriage and dog grooming; and the once-"cool" Lou (Rob Corddry) has become a foul-mouthed alcoholic.

Eager for a soul-searching spark, the three pals, with Jacob in tow, head out to the ski-resort haven of their late-teen years. A night of inebriated partying lands all four in an outdoor hot tub that turns out to be — you guessed it — a time machine.

When the fellows come to they are stuck in the year 1986, forced to relive a day that was a major turning point of their young lives. The chance to amend past missteps becomes an unavoidable draw for Adam, Nick and Lou. Meanwhile, Jacob frantically tries to get the group back to the present year with the help of a mysterious repairman (Chevy Chase in a terrific welcome-back role).

Cusack, Robinson and Corddry are exceptionally cast and all shine. Cusack's everyman sensibilities and solid acting chops help keep the film from leaning too far into the absurd. Robinson — quickly becoming one of my favorite comedic actors — coaxes laugh after laugh with his deadpan delivery and wealth of terrific dialogue. And Corddry nearly steals the show. His character has the most depth, while the actor is brazen and fearless with his delivery and physicality.

Viewers easily offended may want to keep their bathing suits shelved. Adult language, drug use and raunchy humor are often extreme.

"Hot Tub" is also clearly geared toward the Gen-X crowd, those who remember watching Miami Vice and listening to Poison. It is riddled with subtle nods to the '80s that probably won't all be noticed even after a fifth viewing.

The big surprise is that, ultimately, the movie is heartwarming. It touches on messages about friendship, aging, regret and redemption that are universal regardless of which decade you grew up in.

Some hot tubs are relaxing. This one is a riot. ■

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Pleasanton Seahawks honored with a prestigious recognition

The Pleasanton Seahawks (PLS) swim team recently achieved the USA Swimming Level 4 Club Recognition status. This is the highest recognition awarded to swim clubs by USA Swimming. Reflecting outstanding achievement in business/organizational success, parent/volunteer development, coach development/education and athlete development/performance, Level 4 Clubs must fulfill required standards within each category along with additional points necessary for this ranking.

Representing an elite group of clubs, the Pleasanton Seahawks is the only Pacific Swimming Club to have earned the Level 4 Recognition Award, one of only two clubs in California, and one of just six clubs in the Western U.S.

"The award is just another confirmation of our belief that we are an outstanding team within the USA Swimming and Pacific Swimming family," said PLS Head Coach, Steve Morsilli. "It takes organizational and performance excellence to qualify for Level 4, so it's a positive reflection on the administration and the coaches and athletes."

In addition to the Level 4 Recognition, PLS earned the 2010 Silver Medal Club for the ninth year in a row as part of the USA Swimming Excellence Program, ranking the Seahawks as one of the top 30 Clubs in the United States. ■

SPORTS DIGEST

BUSC U12 Elite beats TV Bayern

Ballistic United U12 Elite recently battled the TriValley Bayern at Val Vista and came out on top with a score of 3-2.

Ballistic U12 D1 Elite got off to a great start of the newly-introduced spring season thanks to goals by Blake Tucker, Garrett Howell and Michael Leonard. The first half saw United take the lead less than five minutes into the game thanks to some quick footwork by Tucker. Tri-Valley equalized soon after in what was to become a fairly even match. Elite's lead was restored after a fantastic finish by Howell late into the first half. After the break, Tri-Valley came back in to the game thanks to a lucky long kick that lobbed itself into the net. However some outstanding goalkeeping by Jared Wilson and excellent defending by Colin Ritchie and Griffen Chinn kept Tri-Valley from getting on the score sheet again. Elite sealed their victory after a cross was put away by Michael Leonard in the dying minutes of the game.

First homer for new fields

In a game of As v. Angels of the Pleasanton Foothill Little League, it was another first for Pleasanton's new baseball complex at the Bernal Fields: a home run. It could not have happened in a more dramatic fashion. The Athletics and Angels squared on Saturday in a classic pitcher's duel. With the Angels ahead 3-2 in the bottom of the sixth with two out, Shaun Kienhofer hit a blast for the ages to tie the game at 3-3. The ball not only traveled the necessary 225 feet, but also cleared the 25-foot fence in right center field. The Athletics later won the game when Justin Lavell led off the seventh with a walk, took second on a base hit by Joshua Lim, stole third and then scored on an infield single by Daniel Mubarak. The Athletics' pitching was anchored by Kienhofer, Nate Gipson and Jeffrey Deguchi. There was some great defense in the game, particularly a double play started by left fielder Nick Dauskurdas.

Padres defeat Cardinals in a tough battle on the diamond

In PFL AA play, the Cardinals met the Padres on Friday night under the lights at Bernal field. The Cards came out strong to start the game and took the lead early with a hit by Trevor Kryslar that resulted in an RBI bringing home Demetre Aaron. In the fourth inning, Nick Palange hit a single. Brett Davis' triple to right field brought home Palange, and Joshua Robinson's walk brought home Davis.

Defensively the Cardinals were able to hold the Padres off for the first half of the game. Davis' pitching shut down the Padres offense allowing no hits and only one walk in the first three innings. Jack Kost fielded the ball nicely, throwing to Kryslar at first base for an out. Aaron also made an out at first. The Cardinals played hard, but the Padres pulled out the win in the end with a 6-3 victory. ■



Making waves at Junior Olympics

Only months into their first season as a year-round USA Swim team, the LifeStyleRx Tiger Sharks had one of their first swimmers compete at the Junior Olympics held in San Ramon. Julian Wagner, 14, swam his way to a personal best time in his 100-yard backstroke with a time of 1:06.25. Julian trains under the coaching expertise of David Tambuwun.



Foothill goes undefeated at Deer Valley Invite

The Foothill boys varsity volleyball team went 7-0 in winning the Logan Bailey Deer Valley Invitational Tournament, defeating many top ranked teams from the North Coast Section, Central Coast Section, Sac-Joaquin Section and Northern Section. All in all, 22 teams were represented. The Falcons battled fiercely late into the evening in a third-game tiebreaker (15-10) against the extremely aggressive Chico Panthers. In the end, Foothill emerged victorious.



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Sat 1:30-4:30 Alain Pinel Realtors 251-1111

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OPEN SAT 1:30-4:30



10749 Inspiration Circle, Dublin

Just Listed! Beautifully appointed 5 bedroom, 4 and a half bath. Situated in the Desirable Hansen Hills neighborhood of West Dublin. With approximately 3,320 sq ft of living space, this gorgeous home has a wonderful light and bright open floor plan. This home features designer paint throughout, gourmet kitchen with a large center island with beautiful granite counters. Kitchen opens to spacious family room with built-in entertainment center to create a great room for entertaining. Plantation shutters throughout. Lovely formal living & dining room off the entry. Full bed and bath downstairs, upstairs bonus room, spacious master suite that has a custom office with beautiful built-in cabinets. Don't miss this stunning home! **Offered at \$940,000**



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BRIDLE CREEK

SNEAK PREVIEW SAT 1-4



897 SUNSET CREEK LANE, PLEASANTON

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

CHATEAU COUNTRY ESTATES



788 VINEYARD TERRACE, PLEASANTON

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BRIDLE CREEK

PENDING



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THE PRESERVE

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6229 DETJEN COURT, PLEASANTON

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VENTANA HILLS

SOLD



925 SHERMAN WAY, PLEASANTON

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GREY EAGLE ESTATES

SOLD



4 EAGLET COURT, PLEASANTON

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VENTANA HILLS

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1141 LUND RANCH ROAD, PLEASANTON

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