

# Pleasanton Weekly

**Bad hair day:** Customer drives car through plate glass front door at Cosmo's Barber Shop PAGE 5  
**City pensions:** Council agrees to demand for public workshop on employee contracts PAGE 5

INSIDE

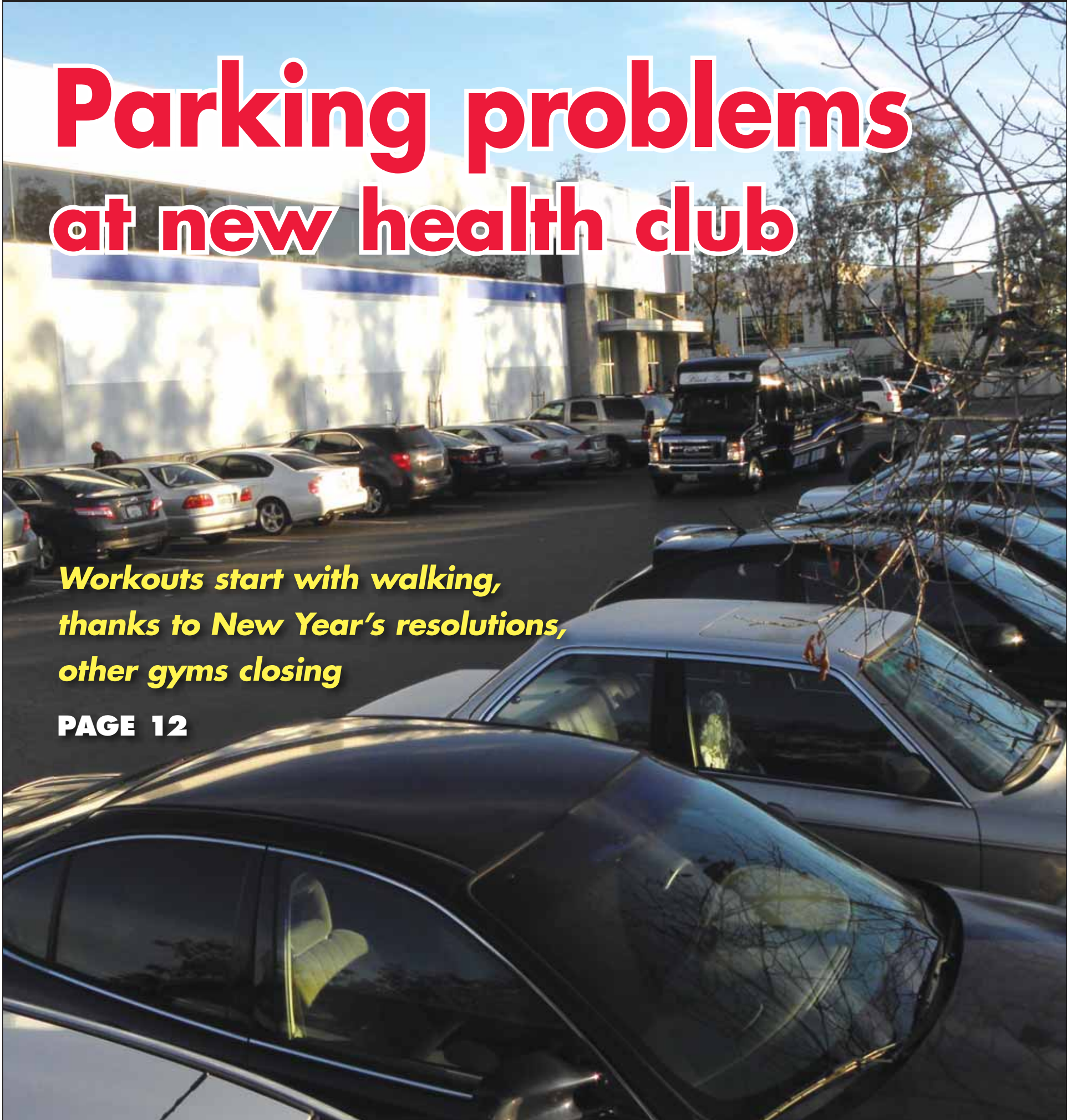
VOL. XII, NUMBER 2 · JANUARY 21, 2011

WWW.PLEASANTONWEEKLY.COM

## Parking problems at new health club

*Workouts start with walking,  
thanks to New Year's resolutions,  
other gyms closing*

**PAGE 12**



Pleasanton  
**express**

**FREE**  
daily email digest!  
Top local stories and  
hot picks delivered  
to your email inbox  
every weekday.

Sign up online at  
**PleasantonWeekly.com**

Top 1% in company production!

Better Homes  
TRI-VALLEY  
REALTY

**CHRIS + KAMALI**

POSITIVE ATTITUDE :: POSITIVE RESULTS



January Has Brought On A New Level Of Activity  
In The Local Real Estate Market. Good Homes  
Are Seeing Multiple Offers And Selling Quickly.  
If You Are Thinking Of Making A Move This  
Year, Contact Me To See If You Should Be Taking  
Advantage Of This Opportunity!

**Chris Kamali, REALTOR, CRS, SFR**  
925.828.4433 www.my1home.com  
Better Homes Tri Valley Realty • 6111 Johnson Court • Pleasanton DRE# 01480800

*Truffles, Tidbits  
& Wine Tasting*

**Thursday, February 3rd, 6-9 PM**

**TICKETS: \$25 in Advance**

(Through February 2nd)

Purchase tickets here:  
Clover Creek (670 Main Street)  
Studio 7 Fine Arts (400 Main Street)  
Towne Center Books (555 Main Street)  
Rose Hotel (807 Main Street)

**\$30.00 at the door IF AVAILABLE!**  
Only 800 tickets will be sold for this event!

**Price per person includes  
wine glass, event map  
and tastings.**



For more information:  
events@pleasantondowntown.net  
Call 925-484-2199  
www.pleasantondowntown.net

Rain or shine. No refunds.  
Not responsible for lost or stolen tickets.

**Resol-YOU-sions**

**\$10.00 Per Unit  
Botox® Treatment Always!!!**



**Look Better. Feel Better. Be Better**

**NOW OFFERING ZERONA® BODY SLIMMING**



Zerona® is the only clinically-proven non-invasive  
laser slimming treatment that removes fat and  
reduces inches with:

· ZERO pain · ZERO surgery · ZERO downtime  
Lose 1 dress size in 2 weeks!



Call for Your **FREE** Consultation!  
Lunch, Evening & Saturday appts. available. Call 1-800-MY-BOTOX

**NORCAL**

**Weight Loss Center**

Pleasanton • 925 846-5614  
374 St. Mary St.

San Ramon • 925 837-6400  
2701 Crow Canyon Blvd.



Now Featuring:  
**Shellac™** the First Hybrid Nail Color

*Elegant and Relaxing  
Personalized Professional Nail Care*



Pleasanton location

**Bollinger**  
Nail Salon

**BOLLINGER NAIL SALON LOCATIONS**

**Pleasanton (across from Tully's Coffee)**  
310 Main Street Suite D ..... (925) 484-4300

**Livermore (next to the Bankhead Theater)**  
2375 Railroad Ave ..... (925) 455-6800

*Host a Party—For birthdays, bridal showers  
or friends who want to have a unique  
and fun get together, arrange a private  
party at Bollinger Nail Salon.*

**www.Bollingernailsalon.com**

# AROUND PLEASANTON



By JEB BING

## Hosterman talks up Pleasanton at U.S. Mayors Conference

Mayor Jennifer Hosterman is back in Washington this week for the 79th winter meeting of the U.S. Conference of Mayors. This afternoon, she is meeting with President Obama and Vice President Biden.

Through her work with the mayors' conference and other national and regional organizations, Hosterman has become one of the better known women



mayors in the country. She sits on several energy and environmental committees at the mayors' conference and co-chairs the Mayors Water Council with Mayor Brian Stratton of Schenectady, N.Y. Since Stratton couldn't make it to this week's meeting, Hosterman led the Water Council discussion Wednesday about national and state water issues and the funds that will be required to meet future needs.

Hosterman brought 40 mayors here last October when she hosted the Water Council's regional meeting, including state and local water system operators in a discussion of Safe, Clean, and Reliable Drinking Water Supply Act of 2010. The mayors were so impressed with Pleasanton water and sewer system operating technologies that they asked Daniel Smith, who heads of the department, to share the technology with their cities. He complied with a 20-minute video that has now been sent to his counterparts in hundreds of U.S. cities.

Thursday, Hosterman met with Lisa P. Jackson, administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, who asked Hosterman to serve on the EPA's local government advisory committee. Aware of Pleasanton's ongoing and now intensified work on a Climate Action Plan aimed at reducing greenhouse gases, protecting air and water quality and preventing the public's exposure to toxic contamination, Hosterman was asked to help other cities — large and small — to develop similar plans.

As a member of the Women's Mayors section of the U.S. Conference of Mayors, Hosterman is also part of that group's Democratic Caucus, which works with the

mayoral delegates to seek federal funds and guidance on key urban issues. She joined with her friend Mayor Elizabeth Kautz of Burnsville, Minn., in support of a "Civility Accord," a document all mayors were asked to sign by Tucson Mayor Robert Walkup.

As Pleasanton's No. 1 cheerleader at these mayors' conferences, Hosterman also brings back awards and recognitions. One time it was an environmental award for the greenest firehouse in the country after Station 4 was opened on Bernal Avenue with full rooftop solar power. Another time, it was for the city's support of the Tri-Valley Housing Opportunity Center. This year, she's being honored at the Kennedy Center for the city's Youth in Government Day and other efforts to teach students about the importance of public service.

Hosterman is also part of a Tri-Valley mayors' group that goes to Washington once a year to meet with transportation and other federal departments and with the California delegation. Making the trip this year are Mayors Karen Stepper of Danville, Abram Wilson of San Ramon, Tim Sbranti of Dublin and Marshall Kamena of Livermore. So far this week they've talked to Congressman John Garamendi (D-Walnut Creek) and Jerry McNerney (D-Pleasanton), Sen. Pete Stark and Ryan Hunt, the appropriations guru for Sen. Dianne Feinstein. Hosterman said they're seeking additional funding for improvements to I-580, I-680, Hwy. 84 and the East Bay Regional Communications system.

She also has met with Ryan Mulholland at the Commerce Department, the appropriations office at the Transportation Department, David Matthew of the White House office of government affairs, Bernard Alexias at the Justice Department's office of community-oriented policing services and others to discuss issues affecting Pleasanton and to generate federal financial support. During the trip, she also spent time with business and manufacturing lobbyists who go to the Mayors Conference to talk about the advantages of locating their firms in Pleasanton.

"With a population of 70,000, we're still viewed as a small city compared with most at this conference," Hosterman said. "But we're making a mark with our national awards. We are in a great location. Every time I come to Washington, I find there's more interest in learning more about Pleasanton and what makes us so successful." ■

## JUMPSTART A HEALTHIER LIFE TOGETHER!



Begin our weight loss program with a spouse, friend, relative, partner, or co-worker and we will discount each of your initial visits by \$75.

The Jumpstart program can transform your life through rapid, safe, and proven weight loss methods that let you eat the fresh foods you love.

**Jumpstart**  
Transforming Weight Loss

1-855-JUMPSTART • [www.jumpstartmd.com](http://www.jumpstartmd.com)

LOCATIONS: Larkspur • San Francisco • Burlingame • Redwood City • Pleasanton • Walnut Creek

# HAVING A BABY IN 2011

## FREE EDUCATION SEMINAR



### Presented by:

John Nunes, MD  
ValleyCare Medical Foundation OB/GYN  
Christi Klimisch, MD  
ValleyCare Medical Foundation Pediatrician

**Date:** February 1, 2011

**Time:** 7:30–9:00 PM

**Location:** ValleyCare Medical Plaza  
5725 W. Las Positas Blvd  
2nd floor Conference Room  
Pleasanton  
*two blocks west of hospital*

Please join us for a free education seminar where ValleyCare physicians will discuss important issues regarding having a baby in 2011. Learn more about fetal monitoring, labor anesthesia, and role of the labor coach. Your questions about your baby's needs and what you can expect in his/her first few days of life will also be discussed.

We invite you to register for this seminar by calling the ValleyCare Health Information line at 1-800-719-9111 or visit our website at [www.valleycare.com/educationseminars](http://www.valleycare.com/educationseminars).



A not-for-profit health system

Serving the Tri-Valley with Medical Facilities in Livermore and Pleasanton.

### About the Cover

Afternoons mean full parking lots at 24 Hour Fitness' new gym on Willow Road, with neighbors blocking parking spots and threatening tow-aways. The club is offering shuttle service by Black Tie limousine until it reaches an agreement for more parking. Photo by Glenn Wohltmann. Cover design by Kristin Herman.

Vol. XII, Number 2

**BEST-IN-CLASS COVERAGE PLAN FROM VOLVO**

**SAFE + SECURE**

**5 YEAR WARRANTY + 5 YEAR WEAR & TEAR  
5 YEAR SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE + 5 YEAR ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE**



For further details,  
please contact our  
sales department

**THE NEW 2012 VOLVO S60**



**LAWRENCE**  
**Volvo**  
Family Owned & Operated Since 1921

925.939.3333  
2791 North Main St., Walnut Creek, CA  
www.lawrencevolvo.com

Get All of This Plus More Great Offers from Volvo!

# Streetwise

ASKED AROUND TOWN

## Do you think students have too much homework?



**Julia Park**  
Student

I think so. For my three AP classes, we do not have homework, but we have to spend a lot of time studying. In my regular classes there is a lot of homework and with after-school activities, it can be challenging to finish. Overall, I think students are pushed to study a lot. I know I feel pressure.

**Marina Jacob**  
Student

It depends on the teacher. Some teachers barely assign any homework, but others assign over an hour's worth per subject every night. There is not a lot of consistency.



**Arick Little**  
Teacher

I think many students spend too much time on homework, but they aren't always just working on schoolwork. In some cases there is definitely too much homework assigned, but things such as social media and texting can be very distracting.

**Steve Wiley**  
Graduate student

I think kids these days do struggle to find a balance between academic requirements and extracurricular activities, but as a graduate student myself I am inundated with long hours of studying, writing and teaching. I'm a little envious of their workload.



**Christopher Nally**  
Student

I wish I were able to come home after a long day at school and choose activities that I enjoy instead of having to do homework. I would rather stay at school for a while longer and complete all of the work there so that I didn't have to do it at home.

—Compiled by Kerry Nally

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

The Pleasanton Weekly is published every Friday by Embarcadero Media, 5506 Sunol Blvd., Suite 100, Pleasanton, CA 94566; (925) 600-0840. Mailed at Periodicals Postage Rate, USPS 020407. The Weekly is mailed upon request to homes and apartments in Pleasanton. Print subscriptions for businesses or residents of other communities are \$60 per year or \$100 for two years. Go to www.PleasantonWeekly.com to sign up and for more information. POSTMASTER: Send address changes to Pleasanton Weekly, 5506 Sunol Blvd., Suite 100, Pleasanton, CA 94566. © 2011 by Embarcadero Media. All rights reserved. Reproduction without permission is strictly prohibited.



**TUNE-UP & BRAKE CENTERS**

"We do MORE for your car"

Visit us at: www.qualitytuneup.com

**DUBLIN**  
925-803-9209

6053 Dougherty Road  
(1 Block North of Dublin Blvd.)  
Hours: Mon-Fri 8-5 Sat 8-5

(Surf the net on DSL while waiting)



### BRAKE REPLACEMENT SERVICE

**\$ 89.95**  
WITH THIS COUPON SEE FOOTNOTE\*

FREE  
TIRE ROTATION  
(With this service)

Price per axle includes ONLY the labor to install pads or shoes which are not included. Pads and shoes are extra and you may be asked to pay an additional charge for machining rotors or drums along with additional charge for necessary hardware. Your final price for brake service and repair may be higher than the price listed. Pricing will be authorized in advance by the customer.\*

Not valid with any other offer.  
No Appointment Necessary!  
Expiration Date 03/31/11

### LUBE, OIL & FILTER SERVICE

**\$ 21.88**  
WITH THIS COUPON SEE FOOTNOTE\*

#### While - U - Wait

Here's what we do...Replace your old oil with up to 5qts of 10w-30 Multi-Grade motor oil. Replace your oil filter, lubricate existing fittings and check vital fluid levels (except cooling system).\*

Not valid with any other offer.  
No Appointment Necessary!  
Expiration Date 03/31/11

### SMOG CHECK INSPECTION SERVICE

**\$ 24.95**  
WITH THIS COUPON SEE FOOTNOTE\*

Plus \$8.25 for  
CA State Certificate  
This Price 1996 & Newer

Smog technicians are always on duty. Please bring in your DMV renewal form. 1995 and older vehicles may require an additional fee for an evaporative system test. Most vehicles pass the smog test, but if your car fails we are authorized by the State of CA to make most necessary adjustments or repairs on the spot.\*

Not valid with any other offer.  
No Appointment Necessary!  
Expiration Date 03/31/11

### TUNE-UP

**\$ 89.95**  
WITH THIS COUPON SEE FOOTNOTE\*

- 4 CYLINDERS ONLY INCLUDES:
- ACCESS CODES ON OBDII COMPUTERS ONLY
  - CHECK IGNITION SYSTEM
  - LABOR TO INSTALL SPARK PLUGS

This service includes access codes on OBDII computers only / check ignition system / labor to install spark plugs. Spark plugs and any other parts will be at an extra charge.\*

Not valid with any other offer.  
No Appointment Necessary!  
Expiration Date 03/31/11

### WINTER COMBO DEAL

**\$ 89.88**  
WITH THIS COUPON SEE FOOTNOTE\*

#### FEATURES:

- Lube, Oil, Filter Service
- Anti-Freeze Service
- Tire Rotation
- FREE Brake Inspection With This Service

Here's what we do...We will rotate all 4 wheels and inspect brakes and report to you. Check hoses & belts, refill up to 2 gallons of anti-freeze. (extended life anti-freeze may have an extra charge) We also will replace your old oil with up to 5qts of 10w-30 Multi-Grade motor oil. Replace your oil filter, lubricate existing fittings and check vital fluid levels.\*

Not valid with any other offer.  
No Appointment Necessary!  
Expiration Date 03/31/11

**30K,60K,90K SERVICE AVAILABLE (ASK FOR DETAILS)**

**SHOCKS AND STRUTS AVAILABLE HERE (ASK FOR DETAILS)**

\*Most cars can be done for these prices (The increased cost for TRUCKS, VANS, SUV'S, RV'S & TRANSVERSE mounted engines and some vehicles with limited access may be substantial). On Oil changes (Includes hazardous waste fee, Substantial fee may apply for canister oil filters). On Smog Checks (Plus \$8.25 for CA STATE CERTIFICATE WHEN PASSES also 1995 and older vehicles may require an additional fee for an evaporative system test). Any charges other than as advertised would of course, require customer approval in advance. Not valid with any other offer.

## DIGEST

### ESPN2 to air bowling in Dublin

Earl Anthony's Dublin Bowl is hosting Professional Bowlers Association competitors from across the nation for the Earl Anthony Memorial tournament from Jan. 26-30, with finals on the last day broadcast live at 11 a.m. on ESPN2.

Defending champion Anthony LaCaze of Melrose Park, Ill., and his fellow Lumber Liquidators Professional Bowlers Association members will head this way for the second year in a row after participating in the PBA Tournament of Champions in Las Vegas.

"We're excited to have the Tour back again," said Ted Hoffman, managing partner of Earl Anthony's Dublin Bowl, speaking for himself and Anthony's widow Susie.

The bowling alley is located at 6750 Regional St. in Dublin. For more information, call 828-7550 or visit [www.earlathony-sdublinbowl.com](http://www.earlathony-sdublinbowl.com).

### Valley Teen Career Fair

The city of Pleasanton is partnering with San Ramon and Dublin and the Dublin/San Ramon Women's Club to present a Teen Career Development Fair on Saturday, Feb. 5. This free event will take place from 1-4 p.m. at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd.

Teens ages 14 through 19 will have the opportunity to attend a series of workshops on Finance Management; Social Networking and Use of Media; Job Search, Research and Applications Process; Public Sector Jobs; Interview Techniques; How to be a Great Volunteer; and Resume Development. The event will also feature panel discussions on College Preparation and Skills/Trades, and a mock interview session.

Call 931-3432.

### Police offering Citizens Academy

Enrollment is open for the spring 2011 session of the Pleasanton Police Department Citizens Academy, which runs for 14 weeks, from 6:30-9:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 17-May 26.

Topics include Community Policing, Patrol Procedures, Radio Communications, SWAT, Narcotics/Vice, Crime Prevention, Traffic Enforcement, K-9, Evidence Collection, Use of Force, Animal Services and DARE.

The free program is open to adults who live or work in Pleasanton to create partnerships with the community. Applications are at the front counter of the Police Department, 4833 Bernal Ave., by calling Coordinator Sgt. Leigh Ridgers at 931-5169, or emailing [lrldgers@ci.pleasanton.ca.us](mailto:lrldgers@ci.pleasanton.ca.us).

## Weekly's Holiday Fund wins Chamber 'Philanthropy' award

Four others to share in annual community service recognition

The Pleasanton Weekly has been named the winner of this year's "Business Philanthropy Award" by the Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce.

The newspaper won its award for its annual Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund, which just concluded its 2010 fundraising campaign with a record \$145,000 in contributions. Five local nonprofits will share equally in the contributions.

In addition to the Weekly, four others will receive awards at the Chamber's 48th annual Commu-

nity Service Awards dinner to be held Jan. 28 at the Marriott Hotel in Pleasanton. They are:

■ Spring Street Studios, Excellence in Business award, as a business that has made a positive impact in the Pleasanton community through its achievement within the scope of normal business activity;

■ Child Care Links, Excellence in Service Award, as a nonprofit organization that has contributed to Pleasanton;

■ Joyce Shapiro, for Distinguished

Individual Service, as an individual who has contributed to Pleasanton through exceptional service to the community or philanthropic efforts, and,

■ Ponderosa Homes, the Green Business award, as a business that promotes sustainable environmental business practices throughout its organization for the benefit of employees,

In selecting the Pleasanton Weekly Holiday Fund for this year's award, the Chamber stated that un-

like most other fundraising drives by individual organizations, the Holiday Fund has no administrative expenses or other overhead. The Pleasanton Weekly donates all the support services and marketing expenses so all money raised can support local nonprofit groups. This year, the fund has raised more than \$450,000 from donors in direct and matching contributions, Tri-Valley Community Foundation.

See **HOLIDAY FUND** on Page 6

## Car crashes into 1st Street barbershop

No one hurt as empty chairs crushed

Cosmo's Barber Shop in the Pleasanton Plaza Center on First Street closed early last Saturday, and with good reason.

A motorist who'd parked in front and had just had his hair cut mistakenly put his gear shift in Drive and drove through the barber shop's plate glass front door, running over two empty barber chairs and finally stopping after crashing through a side wall.

The accident happened at 3:30 p.m. Saturday with only a few customers in the shop after a busy Saturday morning when all the barber chairs and customers' chairs had been filled.

"We were very lucky that this happened late in the afternoon when the front chairs were empty," said Cosmo Panetta, the barber shop owner. "No one was injured, including the motorist who happens to be a customer of mine."

Panetta, who cuts hair in the first chair next to the front door and window — and whose barber chair was destroyed — was in the back of the shop at the time watching the Pittsburgh Steelers vs. Baltimore Ravens game.

"You might say that Pittsburgh made my day," Panetta said. ■



TIFFANY TRAN

A car remains for a short time in Cosmo's Barber Shop after a patron put it into the wrong gear and drove it through the plate glass front door. No one was injured. Below, Cosmo Panetta has a temporarily "open air" barber shop on First Street.



JEB BING

## City postpones employee contract

Council agrees to public workshop on pension concerns

By JEB BING

With only three council members at the meeting, the City Council on Tuesday night postponed consideration of a new two-year contract with the Pleasanton City Employees Association (PCEA), a union that represents 227 members.

Mayor Jennifer Hosterman is in Washington, D.C., at the U.S. Conference of Mayors, and Councilwoman Cindy McGovern was ill. Also ill and unable to attend Tuesday night's meeting was Finance Director Emily Wagner, who is the city's point person on contract information.

About 75 filled the City Council chamber for what was billed as a discussion of a tentative agreement between the city and the employees' union Local 955 for a new contract that would expire March 31, 2013. The city recently signed off on a new contract with the firefighters union and will be negotiating a new contract later this year with the union that represents Pleasanton police officers.

The PCEA contract has been targeted by a group of Pleasanton residents who are concerned about the city's unfunded pension liabilities. Depending on whose

See **CONTRACT** on Page 7

## National show considers Scherer trial for TV

Defendant jokes about potentially appearing on true-crime show

By GLENN WOHLTMANN

The trial of accused Castlewood killer Ernest Scherer III has gone national, with the arrival of a CBS "48 Hours Mystery" staffer and a possible show about the case.

The show's producers seem to have a unique sense of timing, given that Scherer joked in a letter to friends that the case could end

up on that show. The letter was read to jurors during prosecutor Michael Nieto's opening arguments earlier this month.

In court Tuesday, jurors again viewed photos of Scherer's parents, Ernest Scherer Jr. and Charlene Abendroth, showing the pair bludgeoned and stabbed at their home on Castlewood Drive. The younger

Scherer is charged with the March 2008 killing in what Nieto claims was an attempt to get an estimated \$1.5 million inheritance.

Scott Miller, the first deputy to arrive at the bloody double slaying testified about being called to the scene, viewing the body of Ernest Scherer Jr. through a window and finding the front door unlocked.

Nieto had Miller testify that neither he nor the two other deputies that arrived wore gloves or protective gear, possibly as a way of accounting for unexplained DNA found at the scene.

Defense attorney Richard Foxall has pointed to that DNA, claiming that investigators focused solely

See **SCHERER** on Page 7

## HOLIDAY FUND

Continued from Page 5

In recognizing the other recipients, the chamber stated:

**Spring Street Studios:** In 20 years in Pleasanton, Jerry Pentin of Spring Street Studios has donated numerous videos at a value of hundreds of thousands of dollars for initiatives and non-profits. A few of the recipients of his volunteering talents are Firehouse Arts, Pleasanton Partners in Education, Tulancingo Sister City, Cycling for Civics to support Mock Trial and Competition Civics at Amador Valley and Foothill High schools, Veterans Hall, Pleasanton North Rotary and more.

**Child Care Links:** In the past 30 years, Child Care Links has been dedicated to the children and families in Alameda County, acting as a leader in the community, advocating for quality child care and resources for families. Child Care Links is committed to offering a variety of services at no cost to the community. The agency helps to enrich the lives of children in the Tri-Valley by providing educational workshops for parents and childcare providers.

**Joyce Shapiro:** Joyce Shapiro has been a consistent volunteer and leader for the community since moving to Pleasanton in the mid 1960s. She has been a downtown business owner, property owner, chamber officer, director and president.

In the 1970s, she was on the Pleasanton Planning Commission. She started the Pleasanton Downtown Association and was its first president in 1979. She organized the first fundraiser for the Pleasanton Senior Center and the city's centennial in 1994.

More recently, for the past five years she has served as program manager of the Leadership Pleasanton program, a volunteer position. She chaired the first successful fundraiser for the Firehouse Arts Center project and joined the Tri-Valley YMCA board of directors in 2009.

**Ponderosa Homes:** Ponderosa Homes provides every home within The Village at Ironwood community with a solar (photovoltaic) roofing system and gives residents the ability to track energy performance of their Eagle Solar Roofing system on-line. The innovative storm water treatment system is designed to be integrated into the community, which includes a permeable paving system in the private streets, bio-swales and retention basins in landscaped areas, and an advanced underground detention facility to restore clean water to the environment.

The Community Service Awards began in 1962 to recognize good people doing great things in the community and since then hundreds of recipients have been honored.

UNCLE Credit Union will once again sponsor this annual chamber tradition — the 48th annual Community Service Awards and Chamber of Commerce dinner.

At the dinner, outgoing Chamber board chairman Steve Fast will pass the leadership gavel to incoming chairman Tom Powers of California Financial Advisors, a longtime Pleasanton resident and active member of the Chamber.

The dinner event is open to the public at a cost of \$75 per person. Reservations can be made online at [www.pleasanton.org](http://www.pleasanton.org) or by calling 846-5858, Ext. 201.

—Jeb Bing

## Band scholarship to honor McWilliams

Neighbor, dad was Amador Valley's biggest fan

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

Perhaps because John McWilliams lived across the street from Amador Valley High School, he considered its band members "his kids" even after his daughters Erin, Megan and Mallory finished the program.

Years after his children had left the school, he was known to sit up in bed late at night when the band buses rolled into the school parking lot after an out-of-town event and say to his wife Donna, "Our kids are home," recalled one friend. He could then go to sleep.

Band Director Jon Grantham said he choked up to hear that because those five charter buses return from band reviews as late as 1 a.m.

"To know he would hear buses and say that to Donna says a lot about what the band meant to him as a parent and a community member," said Grantham.

For this reason Grantham and the current Amador Friends of Music board are working to fund an annual scholarship honoring John McWilliams, who died in August at the age of 60 after an 11-year battle with kidney cancer. Enough has been raised to give \$500 scholarships this year and next but organizers are looking for sustainable funding for the next two to five years to keep the scholarship active.

"The money is to be spent in college and it's for a band member but they do not need to be pursuing music," Grantham said. "Band members will submit essays explaining what band has meant to them. The McWilliams family will

review the essays and select a winner. We hope to announce the winner in the spring during senior award season."

Grantham, who had the McWilliams twins Megan and Mallory (2003-2007) in his band program, fondly remembers the family watching the band march out each year for the Pleasanton Holiday Parade.

"Every year, even when they didn't have kids in the band, the McWilliams family would be out on the porch and yelling and cheering for the band," he recalled.

When his daughters were in the band, John McWilliams attended every field show to load and unload the equipment trucks plus donated his barbecuing talents to feed the hungry masses at band events.

"I remember when he was actually a band parent I had a ridiculous number of props at one time and he always moved them with a smile and never questioned the insanity of my motives," remembered Grantham. "He was just such a kind, kind man."

"One year when John was bedridden, during one of his first remissions, and could not attend a field show, Mr. (Dennis) Aquilina marched the entire 100-plus piece band, including colorguard, across the street to march in place and play the whole field show beginning to end facing the McWilliams home," recalled Lauren Kallio, class of 2002. "Yes, first we knocked on the door and asked if we could plug our extension cord in," she added.

Donations may be made with checks payable to AFM, noting "McWilliams scholarship," and mailed to AVHS, c/o Jon Grantham, 1155 Santa Rita Road, Pleasanton 94566. ■



John McWilliams

## Make a Resolution...

# ...to Save Money This Year.

Everyone who lives, works or attends school in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties is eligible to bank at 1<sup>st</sup> United Services Credit Union.<sup>†</sup>

Intro rates as low as

# 0% APR\*

For 3 Months

## Auto Loans

New & Used Purchases



1<sup>st</sup> USCU Pleasanton Branch, 5901 Gibraltar Drive at Willow Road (near BART).

<sup>†</sup>Please visit [1stuscu.org](http://1stuscu.org) for membership eligibility details.

\*APR = Annual Percentage Rate. All loans subject to credit approval. 0% APR is our best rate for 3 months, then reverts to our regular rate, currently as low as 3.69% APR. If loan is paid off within 6 months, zero interest portion will be reversed and interest will become part of the payoff amount. All loan offers good for vehicles 2005 model year or newer; maximum mileage 85,000 miles; minimum loan \$5,000; all registered owners of vehicle must sign loan documents. 1st USCU will obtain a security interest in the vehicle.

Borrower(s) must provide comprehensive and collision insurance fully insuring the vehicle which names 1st USCU as loss payee. Your introductory and regular interest rate will vary based upon credit history, amount financed and terms and conditions. \$100 cash back bonus will be deposited into your regular share account upon loan funding. Offer may be withdrawn at any time.

1stuscu.org  
(800) 649-0193

©2011 1<sup>st</sup> United Services Credit Union



**1<sup>st</sup> United Services**  
CREDIT UNION

## \$14 million 'Rapid' bus service starts Monday

Faster service between BART, Livermore Lab promised

By JEB BING

More than 100 federal, state, county and Tri-Valley civic leaders joined last week in a celebration of the "Rapid," a \$14 million express bus service between Dublin and Livermore with stops also at Stoneridge Shopping Center in Pleasanton.

The Rapid, a new service of the Livermore-Amador Valley Transit Authority (LAVTA), which operates the Wheels bus service in the Tri-Valley, will go into service Monday. It will feature 14 new low-emission hybrid buses with lower floors than on conventional buses and with special, distinctive paint that makes them distinguishable from Wheels buses.

The Rapid will operate from the new West Pleasanton/Dublin BART station that will open next month to the Sandia and Livermore national laboratories in east Livermore with limited stops along Dublin Boulevard and other streets.

Although the Rapid will stop at the Stoneridge Shopping Center and the Kaiser Permanente clinic in Pleasanton, its earlier planned route to downtown Pleasanton was scuttled after residents along Old Stanley Boulevard objected to turning their street into a bus route. LAVTA representatives had worked with the Pleasanton Downtown Association to use Stanley with a bus stop and weather-protected station next to the Wells Fargo Bank at Old Stanley and Santa Rita Road/Main Street.

Pleasanton officials told LAVTA that because of the neighborhood's concerns, they would not approve the proposed stop. They suggested instead that the Rapid use Stanley to First Street, turning at Neal, a route long used by Wheels buses. LAVTA rejected that proposed route as too time-consuming for its commuters and took Pleasanton out of its routing schedule.

Congressmen Jerry McNerney (D-Pleasanton) and John Garamendi (D-Walnut Creek) told the Jan. 13 gathering at the Shrine Event Center in Livermore that they helped secure \$11 million in federal funds



Supervisor Scott Haggerty holds extra-large scissors for the symbolic ribbon cutting to launch the Tri-Valley "Rapid" bus service with representatives of Pleasanton, Dublin and Livermore.

to pay for the \$14 million start-up costs of the new Rapid service.

Funding for the project also was provided with \$1.3 million from local sales taxes, \$1.1 million from State Proposition 1B, and \$450,000 from Transportation Funds for Clean Air.

"Today is a great day for Livermore, a great day for area residents who use public transit, and a great day for every Californian that wants to see jobs come back to our state," Garamendi said. "I want to commend all the local and federal officials who made this day possible."

McNerney agreed. "I'm thrilled to mark the start of bus rapid transit service in the Tri-Valley," he said. "This service will provide the residents of our area with the option of using public transportation that has more frequent service, quick travel time, and stops at places such as BART and the Lawrence Livermore and Sandia National Laboratories."

"Bus rapid transit service will also help decrease traffic along I-580 and improve air quality in our community," he added. "I'm glad to have helped secure funding for this important project."

The 14 new hybrid electric, ultra-low emission buses were manufactured by Gillig in Hayward. Each uses advanced technology to speed

up travel time along the 14-mile route. A signal priority system will extend the green light at intersections and special bus queue jump lanes at targeted intersections will allow the Rapid buses to bypass traffic. Buses will be scheduled to arrive every 10 minutes during peak travel times.

LAVTA representatives said the new Rapid will shave 10 minutes off the current Wheels bus trip from the Pleasanton/Dublin BART station to downtown Livermore, from the current 37 minutes to 27 minutes.

Alameda County Supervisor Scott Haggerty and Mayor Marshall Kamena of Livermore and Mayor Tim Sbranti of Dublin also joined in the celebration. Pleasanton was represented by City Council members Cindy McGovern and Jerry Thorne.

"The Rapid is the latest example of LAVTA's commitment to adopt cutting-edge transportation technology to deal with the area's traffic gridlock challenges and air quality concerns," Haggerty said.

The service is projected to cost approximately \$1.9 million to operate per year. Operating revenues are projected to come from Regional Measure 2 (bridge tolls), Measure B (Alameda County sales tax), and passenger fares.

For more info on the new bus service, visit [www.trivalleyrapid.com](http://www.trivalleyrapid.com). ■

## 'Whooping' booster needed

State law goes into effect 2011-12 school year

By DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

More than 7,000 cases of whooping cough in California convinced state legislators to pass a law requiring students entering grades 7-12 to give proof they've received a booster shot for their pertussis vaccination, starting July 1.

"We're asking parents to bring in vaccination proof now," said Pleasanton School District Nurse Susan Han. "Probably 40 percent of the students have had the booster, they just have not provided proof to their schools."

The law could have a huge impact on school attendance if families do not know about the law, Han said.

"I just hope parents take action now. The kids will be excluded from the first day of school if they don't have proof," she explained.

Children entering kindergarten already must show proof of a pertussis vaccination, which would protect them until age 10. After their 10th birthday, children should receive a Tdab booster to protect them against Pertussis (whooping cough) disease.

"What they found out was that the immunization does not provide lifelong protection like we used to think," said Han.

Pertussis is a contagious disease of the lungs and respiratory system, caused by bacteria. Infants and young children are the most vulnerable, as well as pregnant women, infant caregivers and household members.

"As of Nov. 26, 2010, Alameda County had reported 342 cases of pertussis and 0 deaths. Across California there have been 7,297 cases of pertussis and 10 deaths, all infants," according to the Alameda County Public Health Department website. "California has the most pertussis cases reported in 63 years."

"Whooping cough for adults or older kids usually starts off like a common cold. Then it gets worse and worse over one to two weeks," said Han. "You normally don't have fever. You have a coughing spell and then make a loud whooping sound, like you're trying to gasp. You may vomit as well."

It can last for weeks or months, she added, interfering with sleep.

But the biggest danger is spreading it to infants or young children, for whom it is life-threatening.

Call individual schools with questions or visit [www.acphd.org/pertussis](http://www.acphd.org/pertussis). ■

## SCHERER

Continued from Page 5

on his client from the beginning without considering other suspects. Foxall has also said there's no direct evidence linking his client with the killings and that the prosecution is relying solely on circumstantial evidence.

Another deputy, John White, testified that despite being assigned to the area for about a year, he'd never been down the dirt road that led to the Scherer's parents' home. The prosecution has claimed that the home was hard to find for someone not familiar with it.

A video played for jurors this week seemed to indicate the road to the home at 18 Castlewood Drive was difficult to find. It showed there was no street light at the corner of the road, which abuts a one-way road leading out of the country club.

Foxall, meanwhile, continued asking questions that could leave loopholes in Nieto's case. The defense attorney has said money was not an issue with the family, refuting Nieto's claim that money — in particular the \$616,000 home loan Scherer's parents provided to their son and daughter-in-law — was the motivation behind the killings.

In court last week, family friend Guy Houston, former California assemblyman and Dublin mayor, of Valley Capital Investment & Mortgage testified that the elder Scherer asked about refinancing the loan, but seemed neither angry or upset about the money.

Scherer's sister Catherine also testified last week that their mother, Charlene, was upset that her son had quit his job to become a professional poker player.

The trial is expected to last four months. ■

## CONTRACT

Continued from Page 5

accounting formula is used, these liabilities range from \$121 million to \$290 million.

To start closing the gap, the citizens' group, represented by businessman Bart Hughes, is asking the city to start closing the gap on these unfunded liabilities by requiring employees to pick up a share of pension contributions that the city has fully paid since 2002.

The PCEA contract, negotiated by the city last summer with a tentative agreement reached last Nov. 9, addresses the issue for the first time, with the city's unionized employees to contribute 2% of their salaries toward their pension fund, which is handled by the California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS). That would amount to \$722,000 annually.

But that's not enough, Hughes and others said Tuesday night. They cited a recent contract between the city and City Manager Nelson Fialho, who voluntarily agreed to fund the full employee share of 8% of his annual compensation. They said by agreeing to these new terms, Fialho recognized the importance of raising all employee contributions, and that the 2% offered by the PCEA is not enough.

Recently, at Fialho's urging, all non-union management employees agreed to contribute 4% of their salaries toward their pensions, an amount the citizens' coalition wants the PCEA to accept.

The coalition also has been asking the council and Fialho to re-open contract negotiations with the PCEA and to hold televised public workshops to explain both the contract and the city's pension problems.

Last Saturday, former City Councilwoman Kay Ayala and David Smith joined Hughes on the corner of Angela and Main streets during Farmers Market to seek signatures on petitions seeking the public meetings. They collected 230 signatures.

Vice Mayor Cheryl Cook-Kallio, who handled Tuesday's council meeting, agreed. With the support of fellow council members Matt Sullivan and Jerry Thorne, the council decided to hold a televised public workshop at its next meeting on Feb. 1 when the PCEA contract was scheduled to be approved.

Although she didn't object to the postponement of the contract ratification, Benda Wood, the business agent for the Pleasanton City Employees Association, told the council that the union had negotiated the new contract in good faith and that she expected it to be approved. ■

## TAKE US ALONG



**Caribbean cruise:** Enjoying a 10-day cruise and their Weekly are (l-r) Joyce Robinson, Jillian Aufferich and Jacqui Robinson. They flew to Puerto Rico then cruised from Tortola to Aruba.

# CLOCK REPAIR *Timely Service*

Free Estimates

Free Pick-up & Delivery in Tri-Valley

**Byfield's Clock Shop** Call (925) 736-9165

Kick Off The New Year With Healthy Eyes!



Call today to schedule a comprehensive eye examination, because the health of your eyes is so important!

**Jonathan Savell M.D., Michael Gagnon M.D.  
Gina Trentacosti O.D., Jimmy Yip O.D., Stephen Kang O.D.**

See Your Best, Look Your Best



**VALLEY EYECARE CENTER**  
Medical Associates

925-460-5000

5575 W. Las Positas Blvd. #240  
Pleasanton

925-449-4000

28 Fenton St.  
Livermore

www.ValleyEyeCareCenter.com

# Opinion

## EDITORIAL

THE OPINION OF THE WEEKLY

### Follow Pleasanton's lead: disband redevelopment agencies

With the current still-sluggish economy and the city's concern over unfunded pension liabilities, Pleasanton can be glad it never got into the redevelopment agency (RDA) business. Others have, including neighboring Livermore, which is continuing to finance its millions of dollars in downtown improvements through its redevelopment agency. But that could end abruptly. Gov. Jerry Brown wants to disband the 400 or so redevelopment agencies statewide, including Livermore's, sending the funds they collect to school districts, counties and the state.

Since Brown's announcement, city officials around the state have been protesting any plan that wipes out the RDAs, saying it would stop affordable housing projects, the planned development of new parks, libraries, community centers or, in Livermore's case, more downtown developments and possibly a long-planned performing arts center. Some projects might have to be scrapped in mid-construction, since these cities can ill afford to pick up the costs with their dwindling General Funds.

But that's what Pleasanton decided to do. Back in the mid-1980s, the City Council proposed setting up a redevelopment agency to handle downtown improvements, including the replacement of an aging sewer system unable to carry off heavy rains. A large swath of the downtown area was mapped out, and voters were asked to support the plan. But a key word — "blight" — somehow made its way into language used to explain to voters why the RDA was needed. That infuriated property owners of downtown businesses and homes who disputed the term. With scant publicity and poor promotion, the measure was voted down with only 11% of registered voters bothering to cast ballots, most of them the downtown area property owners.

From then on, Pleasanton used its General Fund to pay for capital improvements, methodically setting up a Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) segment in the budget, identifying and prioritizing those projects each January, funding the CIP with as much money as tax revenues would allow, and then building the projects. The Main Street sewers, new parks, Bernal Community Park baseball fields and, most recently, the \$10 million Firehouse Arts Center were all financed this way. Each project also was part of a public process that gave everyone a chance to look at the plans and sound off if they had objections.

The RDAs, on the other hand, are fundamentally undemocratic agencies. Writer Randy Shaw, in an article entitled "How Redevelopment Agencies Subvert Democracy," reported that his research shows that RDAs operate as private fiefdoms outside the general control of elected officials. Once elected officials approve a redevelopment area, unelected and politically unaccountable officials typically gain control of hundreds of millions of dollars for the next 30 years. If these RDA controllers share passions for affordable housing beyond what a city may be required to have, financing is provided for more subsidized and affordable homes. If those in charge of the RDA are persuaded to finance a huge performing arts center even though similar projects have failed in nearby cities, the RDA makes the appropriation.

Though little understood by the public, the state's 400 active redevelopment agencies run on about \$5 billion each year in property taxes generated in the project areas for economic development — money that would otherwise go to schools and counties. Former Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger grabbed \$2 billion over the last two years from the RDAs just to balance the budget. Although Prop. 22, a city-backed measure passed last November, prohibited such raids in the future, no one apparently saw Brown as the governor who would actually seek to abolish the RDAs altogether. It's a move that makes fiscal sense in a state that can no longer afford redevelopment agencies and their grandiose projects. ■

## LETTERS

### Nowhere to eat

Our downtown has declined along with others during the recession. Beyond that, it has a serious deficiency in the quality of its res-

taurants. Pleasanton is a wonderful place to live but one needs to go north or west to get good food.

Downtown is quaint but boring and devoid of class restaurants.

**Bill Carman**

# Pleasanton Weekly

## PRESIDENT

Gina Channell-Allen, Ext. 119

## PUBLISHER

Jeb Bing, Ext. 118

## EDITORIAL

### Editor

Jeb Bing, Ext. 118

### Managing Editor

Dolores Fox Ciardelli, Ext. 111

### Online/Community Editor

Jessica Lipsky, Ext. 229

### Reporter

Glenn Wohltmann, Ext. 121

### Editorial Assistant

Amory Gutierrez, Ext. 221

### Contributors

Don Colman  
Deborah Grossman  
Jerri Pantages Long  
Kerry Nally  
Joe Ramirez

### ART & PRODUCTION

#### Lead Designer

Katrina Cannon, Ext. 130

#### Designers

Lili Cao, Ext. 120  
Kristin Herman, Ext. 114

### ADVERTISING

#### Account Executives

Paul Crawford, Ext. 113  
Karen Klein, Ext. 122  
Stacey Patterson, Ext. 232

#### Real Estate Sales

Andrea Heggelund, Ext. 110

#### Ad Services

Cammie Clark, Ext. 116

### BUSINESS

#### Business Associate

Lisa Oefelein, Ext. 126

#### Circulation Director

Bob Lampkin, Ext. 141

#### Front Office Coordinator

Kathy Martin, Ext. 124

### HOW TO REACH THE WEEKLY

Phone: (925) 600-0840

Fax: (925) 600-9559

#### Editorial e-mail:

editor@PleasantonWeekly.com  
calendar@PleasantonWeekly.com

#### Display Sales e-mail:

sales@PleasantonWeekly.com

#### Classifieds Sales e-mail:

ads@PleasantonWeekly.com

#### Circulation e-mail:

circulation@PleasantonWeekly.com

The Pleasanton Weekly is published every Friday by Embarcadero Media, 5506 Sunol Blvd., Suite 100, Pleasanton, CA 94566; (925) 600-0840.

Mailed at Periodicals Postage Rate, USPS 020407.

The Pleasanton Weekly is mailed upon request to homes and apartments in Pleasanton. Community support of the Pleasanton Weekly is welcomed and encouraged through memberships at levels of \$5, \$8 or \$10 per month through automatic credit card charges. Print subscriptions for businesses or residents of other communities are \$60 per year or \$100 for two years. Go to [www.PleasantonWeekly.com](http://www.PleasantonWeekly.com) to sign up and for more information.

POSTMASTER: Send address changes to Pleasanton Weekly, 5506 Sunol Blvd., Suite 100, Pleasanton, CA 94566.

© 2011 by Embarcadero Media. All rights reserved. Reproduction without permission is strictly prohibited.

*Over 20 years of  
Exceptional Customer Service  
Highest Quality Products  
Great Selections*

**We also do...**

- Custom Draperies
- Motorization
- Repairs

Showroom and Factory located at 4225 Stanley Blvd near downtown Pleasanton

Contractor's License #904282 • [www.window-ology.com](http://www.window-ology.com) • 925-462-1207

220-B Division Street  
Pleasanton

Think you're too OLD for YOGA?  
Do you need more FLEXIBILITY?  
Are you ready to feel GOOD again?

**Introduction to Yoga**  
Wednesday Nights 7:15 - 8:45 p.m.  
Feb 9th - March 30th, 2011  
\$104 for all 8 sessions  
Drop-in for the first class for \$14

Learn the proper way to begin and continue an on-going yoga practice. Yoga brings strength and flexibility to body and mind. All ages welcome - from 13 to 73!

No experience necessary. Class size LIMITED to 30! Class fills up quickly.

**CALL 925-819-9983 to RESERVE a spot.**

Classes 7-days a week. Visit our website at: [www.pleasantonyoga.com](http://www.pleasantonyoga.com)

Advanced Studies Program, Pre-natal Yoga, Restorative Yoga, Therapeutic Yoga, 6:00 a.m. Yoga Classes

Downtown Yoga □ 220-B Division Street □ Pleasanton, CA 94566 □ (925) 819-9983

Book Your Next Party of Fundraiser Here! Call For Information!



**WE DELIVER**

50" PLASMA TV SCREENS



**846-3222**  
5424 Sunol Blvd., Pleasanton (Next to Raley's)

**SAVE \$2.50**

**\$12.99**  
**ANY LARGE ONE ITEM PIZZA**

With Coupon - Offers cannot be combined. Good thru 1-31-11

**846-3222**

**FREE PIZZA**

Buy Any Large Specialty Pizza at regular price and receive a **FREE** large 1-topping pizza. With Coupon - Offers cannot be combined. Good thru 1-31-11

**846-3222**



**Live Music Every Friday & Saturday**

**Finding Stella**  
Fri, Jan. 21st  
Classic Rock/Power Pop

**Cocktail Monkeys**  
Sat, Jan. 22nd  
Classic Rock, 80's & more!

**Daily Lunch Specials!**


**PLEASANTON'S ONLY BREW-PUB!**

**Daily Specials**

- \$2 Tuesdays
- Wearable Wednesdays
- 20% OFF...Wear your Main St. Brewery Logo Shirt!
- Thirsty Thursdays
- \$5 Fridays

**462-8218 • 830 Main St. • www.mainstbrewery.com**

**ON THE TOWN**



**AMERICAN**

**Eddie Papa's American Hangout**

4889 Hopyard Road, Pleasanton, 469-6266. Winner of The Pleasanton Weekly's Reader Choice Awards for "Best American Food Restaurant" and "Best Meal under \$20," Eddie Papa's American Hangout celebrates the regional food and beverage cultures of America. Bring the whole family to enjoy iconic dishes from across the United States, Old World Hospitality, and hand crafted artisan cocktails. [www.eddiepapas.com](http://www.eddiepapas.com)



**Happy Hour! (Sat & Sun)**

Come to discover a pleasant mixture of Chinese Mandarin cuisines and our hospitality at Jiu Yuan Mandarin Bistrol!

New Sunday Schedule:  
11:00am-9:00pm

Private Banquet Room For Family & Business Gathering

**久園 Jiu Yuan Mandarin Bistro**

LUNCH Mon to Fri 11:00 -2:00  
DINNER Mon to Thurs 5:00-9:30  
Fri & Sat 5:00-10:00  
Sun 11:00am-9:00pm

925.484.4880  
30 W Angela St.

**FONTINA Ristorante**  
THE TASTE OF ITALY IN BAY AREA

Enjoy your favorite Italian dishes with our seasonal menu and daily specials



**AWARD-WINNING RESTAURANT FEATURING:**

- Join Our VIP Card Program
- 3 New Specialties Every Week
- Seasonal & Vegetarian Menus
- Full Bar - Featuring Premium Cocktails
- Open Patio
- Weekend Champagne Brunch
- Children's Menu
- Kids eat free Mon & Tues
- Catering Services

**NEW!**  
**MENU • WINE LIST • COCKTAILS**

**925.462.9299**  
349 MAIN ST., DOWNTOWN PLEASANTON  
[WWW.FONTINAS.COM](http://WWW.FONTINAS.COM)

**BARBECUE**

**Red Smoke Grill**

4501 Hopyard Road, Pleasanton, 734-0307. Home of the Tri Tip and Blue, Red Smoke Grill was Voted Reader's Choice Best 2006, 2007, 2008, and 2010. 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).

**BREW PUB/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).

"THE EUPHORIA OF FINE ITALIAN FOOD."

**La Vite RISTORANTE**

Best Italian Restaurant 3 Years in a Row!



- Open for Lunch and Dinner
- Catering Service
- Take Out Menu
- Banquet Room

3037-G Hopyard Rd., Pleasanton (At Valley Ave in Hopyard Village)  
**925-485-4500**  
[www.LaViteRestaurant.com](http://www.LaViteRestaurant.com)

**HANDCRAFTED FRESH ITALIAN**



**2010 Winner Fall Fest "Sweet & Savory" Competition**

- First Place... "Savory"
- Second Place... "Sweet"

**Winner of Bon Appétit Best Dessert in October**

• House-made Pastas  
• Unique Daily Specials  
• Local and Classic Italian Wine List

**Sentite L'amore!**

**425-0099**  
680 Main Street • Downtown Pleasanton  
[www.FornoVecchio.com](http://www.FornoVecchio.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).

**Main Street Brewery**

830 Main St., Pleasanton, 462-8218. Pleasanton's only BrewPub since 1995. Try one of our 6 House Beers brewed FRESH weekly. Full bar and daily happy hour! Watch all sports with friends on our multiple screens. We feature a full menu including lunch and dinner specials. To-go orders are welcome. Facilities available for parties up to 100. Live music every Friday and Saturday. Visit [www.mainstreetbrewery.com](http://www.mainstreetbrewery.com) for activities and special events.

**New York Pizza**

Call: **484-4757**  
690 Main Street Pleasanton DOWNTOWN

**"Check us on-line"**

**FREE PARTY ROOM AVAILABLE!**  
[www.newyorkpizzapleasanton.com](http://www.newyorkpizzapleasanton.com)



LUNCH SPECIAL	DINE-IN, PICK-UP OR DELIVERY	
• Meatball Sub Chips & Soda <b>\$6.99</b> + Tax	<b>2 Medium Pizzas 14"</b> 1 Specialty • 1 Cheese <b>\$22.99</b> + Tax	<b>2 Extra Large Pizzas 18"</b> 1 Specialty • 1 Cheese <b>\$28.99</b> + Tax
• Pizza Slice w/ One Topping Salad & Soda <b>\$6.99</b> + Tax	Extra toppings \$1.20 each Cannot be combined. With coupon only.	Extra toppings \$1.45 each Cannot be combined. With coupon only.

All specials expire 2-28-11. Cannot be combined. With coupon only.

**ITALIAN**

**Pastas Trattoria**

405 Main St., Pleasanton, 417-2222. Pastas Trattoria has an elegant atmosphere and a one-of-a-kind menu. We feature steaks, seafood and our famous pasta, plus a superb selection of spirits and fine wines. Reserve our banquet facilities for large parties, up to 70 guests.

To have your restaurant listed in this dining directory, please call the Pleasanton Weekly Advertising Department at (925) 600-0840



# CELEBRATING 12 YEARS IN PLEASANTON

Come enjoy your favorites or try our **NEW MENU ADDITIONS WEEKLY SPECIALS** that will have everyone talking...

**Who says you only have to celebrate on the 14th?**

Treat the One You Love to a Romantic Evening at Pastas Featuring a Special Valentines Menu

Friday the 11th - Monday the 14th  
Call 417-2222 for reservations



DOWNTOWN PLEASANTON • 405 Main Street • (925) 417-2222 • Reservations Accepted

## Author Visits

**NOVELIST ZOE FERRARIS** Novelist Zoe Ferraris offers up a literary page-turner and a fascinating portrait of contemporary Saudi Arabia. Loosely inspired by Ferraris's own life in Jeddah with the Saudi-Palestinian family of her then husband, "Finding Nouf" asks how would a male detective investigate a woman's murder in a country where men and women are forbidden to converse? She will be speaking at 2 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 23, at the Pleasanton Public Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave. Call 931-3405 or visit [www.zoeferraris.com](http://www.zoeferraris.com).

**FREE TAX QUESTION NIGHT** A tax professional with 25 years of experience will answer tax questions free of charge from 5-7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 25, at Fox & Associates, 397 Ray St. Learn how to save tax dollars with expert advice. No appointment needed. Call 846-6184.

**POLISH DANCING** Enjoy the traditional dances and music of Poland with dancers in vibrant, museum-quality costumes when Lowiczanie Polish Dance Ensemble of San Francisco makes its first visit to town. Dancing is from 3-3:45 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 22, at the Pleasanton Public Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave. All ages welcome. Call 931-3400, ext. 8, or visit [www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us/services/library/](http://www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us/services/library/).

## Events

**FITNESS AND HEALTH FAIR** A free fitness and health fair will offer activities from noon-4 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 22, at Iron Horse Nutrition, 4270 Rosewood Dr. Vendors from top supplement companies will offer advice and free samples. Free chair massage, nutritional advice, and more. Call 737-0398 or visit [www.ironhorsenutrition.com](http://www.ironhorsenutrition.com).

**TRUFFLES, TIDBITS AND WINE TASTING** Will be held from 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 3 at participating downtown businesses. Do not wait until the last minute to purchase your tickets! Only 800 tickets will be offered for this event and will be available for advance purchase beginning Thursday, Jan. 6 for \$25 at the following locations: Clover

# Christmas Tree Lane 2010

Benefiting ValleyCare's Breast Cancer Patient Navigator Program, Emergency Room Expansion Campaign and FitKidsRx

**THANK YOU FOR MAKING CHRISTMAS TREE LANE A SUCCESS**

### WHITE CHRISTMAS SPONSORS



### SLEIGH BELLS SPONSORS

California Service Bureau  
Mike and Carol Faber Family  
Robert and Carol Molinaro  
Valley Medical Oncology Consultants

### CHRISTMAS JOY SPONSORS

Joe and Paula McGuinness  
Tri Valley Internet  
Tim and Janeen Weaver

### JINGLE BELLS SPONSORS

AHT MCare Solutions, Inc	Read and George Phillips
Jan Brennan - Great West/Mass Mutual	Rash Curtis & Associates,
Barbara and David Mertes	Terry & Natasha Paff
Cindy Noonan	Dr. Robert and Sharon Santos

### FAB FRIENDS

Active Kids Directory	Bruce Gach, M.D.	R. Lance and Kathy C.
Michael and Cindy Alper	Helen W. Gaeckle	Ruckteschler
AVR Properties	Andrew Knight, MD	Dr. Robert and Sharon Santos
Nathan Bennett,	Les Schwab Tire Center	John and Barbara Sarboraria
Summit Financial Group	Sharrell Michelotti	Dr. and Mrs. Gerald Severin
Janet Cristiano -	John W. Noonan,	Barry and Oriette Thompson
Better Homes & Gardens	Attorney at Law	Tim and Janeen Weaver
Shelley and Mike Despotakis	Paula Orrell	Western Medical Tech
Susan H. Dunton	Tom and Patty Powers	Services, Inc.

For more information on the ValleyCare Foundation, please call 925-373-4560.

**GAY NINETIES PIZZA CO.**  
Italian Style Spaghetti & Ravioli

Pleasanton Weekly **READERS CHOICE 2010**  
Pleasanton Weekly **READERS CHOICE 2009**  
Pleasanton Weekly **READERS CHOICE 2008**  
Pleasanton Weekly **BEST OF PLEASANTON 2007**

**Early Dinner Special**  
(Served from 4-6 daily)  
Any Large Two-Topping Pizza and a Pitcher of Soda for only \$25.00 (plus tax)  
(Additional Toppings Available)  
DINE-IN ONLY

**Lunches • Dinners • Beers on Tap • Orders to Go**  
288 Main Street 846-2520 • [www.gayninetiespizza.com](http://www.gayninetiespizza.com)  
— Open 7 Days —

**\$15 voucher**  
Our Happy New Year Gift to You!  
Bring this voucher in during January to redeem your \$15

Call now to make a reservation:  
(925) 600 0411  
[www.nonnisbistro.net](http://www.nonnisbistro.net)  
425 Main St,  
Pleasanton CA 94566

Voucher valid for use in January 2011, from 5pm daily.  
Voucher is redeemable on purchases of two entrees or more.  
One voucher redeemable per two guests, maximum three vouchers per table of six guests or more.

**Nonni's BISTRO**

Creek, Studio 7 Fine Arts, Towne Center Books and Rose Hotel.

## Exhibits

**TRI-VALLEY TOYBOX AT MUSEUM**  
Toy aficionados are sharing their collections at the third "Treasures of the Tri-Valley" exhibit from 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Wednesdays through Sundays, from Nov. 10 through Jan. 30, at Museum on Main, 603 Main St. There will be toy-making crafts and opportunities to meet the collectors. Call 462-2766 or e-mail education@museumonmain.org.

## Kids & Teens

**LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION**  
Hacienda Child Development Center will be host its Lunar New Year celebrations at 9 a.m., Wednesday-Thursday, Feb. 2-3, at the school, 4671 Chabot Dr. The students will be performing short dances, a play and songs. Guests may participate in arts, crafts, and a cooking project. This event is free. Call 463-2885 or visit www.headsup.org.

## Live Music

**THE SILVER MOON BAND** Enjoy the swinging sound of the Silver Moon Band as it performs favorite ballads sung in style of Old Blue Eyes, Bobby Darin and others from 2-3:30 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 30, at the Pleasanton Public Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave. The musicians in this 11-piece all star group have appeared with such notables as Steve Allen, Ray Charles, Paul Anka, Tito Puente, Jack Jones and The Drifters. Call 931-3405.

## On Stage

**'CABARET'** "Cabaret" focuses on 1931 nightlife at the seedy Kit Kat Klub, English cabaret performer Sally Bowles, and the young

American writer Cliff Bradshaw. Performances are at 8 p.m. Jan. 21, 22, 27, 28, and 29; and at 2 p.m. Jan. 23 and 30 at the Firehouse Arts Center, 4444 Railroad Ave. Tickets are \$17-\$32 for adults and \$17-\$28 for seniors and children. Call 931-4848 or visit www.firehousearts.org.

**'DIRTY ROTTEN SCOUNDRELS'** Tri-Valley Repertory Theatre presents "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels" at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays, Jan. 21 through Feb. 6, at the Bankhead Theater, 2400 First St., Livermore. For ticket, information visit www.livermoreperformingarts.org or call 373-6800.

## Recreation

**HIDDEN WORLDS IN NATURE** See the world as you have never seen it before - the macroscopic and microscopic universes where you will be in for some big surprises, from 11 a.m.-noon Jan. 22 at Alviso Adobe Park, 3465 Foothill Rd. After this program, your world may never look the same. Cost: \$9 resident; \$12 non-resident. Call 931-3483 or email nicholas@ci.pleasanton.ca.us.

## Spiritual

**JUSTIN McROBERTS TO VISIT CENTERPOINTE CHURCH** Well-known Christian songwriter and storyteller, Justin McRoberts, will lead worship at 10:30 a.m., Sunday, Jan. 23, at Centerpointe Church, 3410 Cornerstone Court. He will also share one of his songs at the church's blended worship service that begins at 9 a.m. Call 846-4436 or visit www.centerpointechurch.info.

## Volunteering

**BLOOD DRIVE** The American Red Cross is holding a mobile blood drive from 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 26, at Safeway,

Employee Fitness Facility, 5858 Stoneridge Mall Rd. Call 738-1365 to schedule an appointment.

*Check out Community Calendar at PleasantonWeekly.com for a complete listing of events.*

## GRAHAM-HITCH MORTUARY

Dignified Care & Compassionate Service Since 1891



**Advance Planning Made Easy**

Call Deanna for a FREE consultation. In-home visits available.

4167 First Street, Pleasanton  
925-846-5624  
Crematory Privately Owned & Operated

FD#429



**Time for Pie!**

Monday-Friday 6:30 AM-3:30 PM  
5685 Gibraltar Drive, Pleasanton, CA 94588  
925-847-2911 Fax: 925-847-8217 www.sweetandsavory.com

## BorgFence.com



Fences  
Arbors  
Decks  
& more!

#771763

Your local fence company for over 10 years

575 Boulder Court . Pleasanton 925.426.9620

## Quality Assured in Every Step

HARDWOOD  
LAMINATE  
CARPET  
VINYL  
TILE

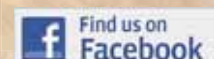
- Locally Owned & Operated for Over 30 Years
- Professional Installation Crews
- No Interest Financing Available
- Lifetime Installation Warranty
- Free Estimates



Family Owned & Operated  
Hours: M-F 10:30am-5:30pm,  
Sat 10:30am-4pm

**(925) 846-7600**  
www.silmarflooring.com

3950-C Valley Ave., Pleasanton



## 21 Days to a New You!

Join  
**Lifetime Wellness'**  
21 Day Detox  
Weight Loss Class

Limited Space Available  
For Next Class! - Call Now!



Dr. Lori T. Mancuso  
Naturopath/Chiropractor

**(925) 484-3955**

4125 Mohr Avenue, Ste. K  
Pleasanton

www.LifetimeWellness.biz



## What now?

Symptoms of a toxic body:

- Weight loss resistance
- Digestive issues
- Headaches
- Fatigue
- Constipation
- Skin rashes
- Joint pain
- Irritability

# Parking problems at new health club

*Workouts start with walking, thanks to New Year's resolutions, other gyms closing*

BY GLENN WOHLTMANN

A shortage of parking at the new 24 Hour Fitness club on Willow Road in Pleasanton has led to new exercises: the parking lot crawl and spot jumping.

On the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday, for example, there were often three and four cars waiting for one to leave, and neighboring businesses, such as Shaklee, Polycom and First United Services Credit Union, have put up cones and signs threatening to tow cars that do not belong to employees or customers.

24-Hour Fitness members complain there aren't enough spaces for the demand at the new facility. An informal survey of members arriving and leaving the club didn't turn up a single member who thought parking was adequate.

Gloria Halman, who recently moved to Pleasanton and signed up for a membership, is upset with the parking problem — and how the club is responding.

"I made a personal trainer appointment during the day and I had to cancel because I couldn't find a parking place," Halman said.

Halman said she'd contacted the club and even emailed 24 Hour Fitness's CEO, Carl Liebert III, but had no luck getting an answer.

"They don't have any notices up ... They don't let anyone know that they're working on it," she said.

Halman isn't alone. A coworker that Halman described as "disgusted" with the situation had signed up her entire family.

"She's ready to just cancel it, because she can't get parking," Halman said.

In fact, Halman said the club has had to hire security because altercations were breaking out in the lot over parking.

Member John Serri called the parking "a really bad situation," adding, "someone messed up."

Serri is hoping for what he called "the January effect" to kick in. That's when the people who signed up for membership as a New Year's resolution soon return to their normal, if unhealthier, lifestyles.

In a response to calls from the Pleasanton Weekly, 24 Hour Fitness issued a response by email, which reads:

"24 Hour Fitness is aware of the parking situation at our Pleasanton Super-Sport club and is actively working to resolve the issue to make our club more accessible to

the local community.

"Some of the steps we have taken to resolve the issue include:

- Re-opening the original Pleasanton club for workouts on January 8 to help accommodate as many members as possible. The club had previously been closed beginning on January 3;

- Providing Members who park at the original Pleasanton club with Black Tie shuttle service Shuttle Runs between the old and new club. Members can park at the old club and take a non-stop shuttle ride to the new Super-Sport. Rides accommodate up to 20 people and last approximately 4 minutes. Shuttle service is offered Monday (through) Friday from 8 a.m.-9 p.m. and Saturday (through) Sunday from 8 a.m.-2 p.m."

The company is also shuttling employees from that lot to the new club to free up parking at its new location.

The statement concludes that 24 Hour Fitness takes its members concerns "very seriously" and apologizes for the inconvenience.

Jerry Pentin is both a club member and a member of the Pleasanton Planning Commission. He said he works out in the morning and hasn't seen that big a problem but admits parking is problematic at other times.

"I've seen signs in the parking lots of the neighbors," he said. "They're trying to address it. I think they're working toward alleviating their parking situation."

Pentin pointed out that the club is running a shuttle bus from its old facility on West Las Positas Boulevard. "They're trying to be good neighbors."

Halman said she's seen that bus but said no schedule has been posted. She said class scheduling is also an issue because the exercise classes are back-to-back so that people have to arrive for a class — and find parking — before the previous class is over.

Part of the problem, according to Pentin, is that the inside of the facility is so nice that it's a big draw for new members in addition to those who transferred from the old club.

Plus, he said, "You have all your New Year's resolutions. It's a perfect storm."

While Pentin is confident the situation



GLENN WOHLTMANN

Cars line up, sometimes four and five deep, to find parking at the new 24 Hour Fitness gym on Willow Road. Above, neighboring businesses are threatening to tow gym members' cars and several are putting up cones to keep them from parking in spaces they want for themselves.

will resolve itself, he said the city would likely get involved if it doesn't.

"I'm certain if the parking problem continues, it'll probably be brought back to the zoning board or the Planning Commission," he said.

Planning Commissioner Jennifer Pearce was on the board when 24 Hour Fitness applied for a permit to convert the old Tri-Valley Herald building into a gym a couple of years ago. She said a review indicated there was adequate parking.

Pearce said the Planning Department is aware of the problem — and that a resolution may be in sight.

"I know that they're aware they have a parking problem. They're working on getting together with Shaklee to get a shared parking agreement," she said. "I raised this issue at the Planning Commission meeting last Wednesday (Jan. 12), and the Planning Department is confident that an agreement is forthcoming."

Pearce, who also called the parking problem "a perfect storm," pointed out that other Pleasanton exercise clubs have closed, which could be compounding the problem. But, she said, "I will continue to bring it up until we feel we have adequate resolution." ■

# January 2011 Coupon Savings

## Zen Pilates & Fitness

— Feel the Zen —

- Group & Personal Training
- Pilates & Reformers
- Pain Management
- Nutrition
- Air Brush Tans
- Fibromyalgia

925-600-7800

3059 Hopyard Road #C, Pleasanton  
In the Hopyard Village Shopping Center  
[www.zenpilatesandfitness.com](http://www.zenpilatesandfitness.com)

Buy any Private Reformer Packages & Receive a Session **FREE!**

*Salon*

Call for Appointment:

Jen Israel  
510 750-5935

Sharon Lombard,  
925 400-7507

Steff Pfaff  
925 998-6811

Chelsey Ellis  
925 601-3945

925 461-2404  
645 Main Street  
Downtown Pleasanton  
[www.Salon645.com](http://www.Salon645.com)

**\$15 OFF**  
your first service!  
Exp. 2-28-11



We Handle Your Claim for You



- In House Claim Center
- Direct Insurance Billing
- Lifetime Guarantee on Workmanship

Chip Repairs  
**\$30<sup>00</sup>** In Shop Only  
exp. 2/28/11

**\$25<sup>00</sup> OFF**  
Deductible w/coupon  
exp. 2/28/11



443-9655  
3688 Washington St., Suite D, Pleasanton  
(Next to BIG "O" Tires)



SAVE 40% - 80%  
OFF BRAND NAMES

New SF Gift Show items arriving daily!  
Take an Extra 20% OFF any single item.

Home Décor, Housewares, Toys, Furniture, Stationery, Appliances and much more!

[www.rickspicks.biz](http://www.rickspicks.biz)  
Pleasanton • 719 Main Street • 925.426.SAVE (7283)  
Danville • 375 Hartz Avenue • 925.837.DEAL (3325)



**\$12.99**  
Haircut

New or Current Clients  
With coupon only. Not valid with other offers.  
Expires 2-28-11

**50% OFF**  
ALL Services

New or Current Clients  
With coupon only. Not valid with other offers.  
Expires 2-28-11

**Facials \$50.00**

New or Current Clients  
With coupon only. Not valid with other offers.  
Expires 2-28-11



925-417-1635

5410 Sunol Blvd. #4, Pleasanton

Walk-ins Welcome M-F 9am-7pm • Sa-Su 9am-6pm  
Haircuts - Facials - Waxing - Highlights - Perms and more



RESTAURANT

OPEN DAILY 6:30AM • SUNDAY 7:00AM-3:00PM



**FREE**  
ENTRÉE

When you buy  
Any Entrée & 2 Drinks

Offer applies to entrée of equal or lesser value.  
Weekdays only (Mon.-Fri.). Expires 2-28-2011.

**(925) 462-0994**

3015 Hopyard Rd, #A Pleasanton  
(In the Hopyard Village Shopping Center)

**7,000 SQUARE FEET**  
of Divided Training Space

**ELITE**  
TRAINING CENTER

MMA • BOXING • BJJ • FITNESS



- **FITNESS CLASSES**
- **BOX-R-CISE**
- **FITNESS KICK BOXING**
- **CROSS-FITNESS TRAINING**
- **MMA FITNESS**
- **TECHNIQUE & COMPETITIVE CLASSES**
- **BOXING (ADULTS AND KIDS)**
- **BRAZILIAN JIU JITSU (ADULTS AND KIDS)**
- **MMA**
- **SELF DEFENSE**



925.967.3265

1279 QUARRY LANE  
PLEASANTON

[ELITETRAININGCA.COM](http://ELITETRAININGCA.COM)

Leslie Marie  
body and skin care

massage • facials • waxing  
body treatments

925-600-9676  
280 Division St, Pleasanton  
[www.lesliemarie.net](http://www.lesliemarie.net)

Valentine's Special

**15% OFF**  
Gift Certificates

Special ends 2/14/11.  
Not valid on already reduced services.



Oldest Aquarium in the Tri-Valley  
Locally Owned

846-1880

5737 Valley Ave. #C, Pleasanton  
Hopyard & Valley  
In Hopyard Shopping Center

**20% OFF**  
ALL FISH

Must mention this ad not combined with other offers.  
Exp. 2-28-11



- Specializing in Fresh & Saltwater Pets
- Small Animals Birds Amphibians Reptiles
- Food and Supplies and Accessories!
- Live: Crickets Brine Shrimp Worms



**FREE TRIAL!**

\*Free Math or English lessons for one week  
\*Free Diagnostic Test (\$45 value)  
\*Limited time offer

**E.nopi**  
MATH/READING & WRITING/KOREAN

Need help with Math or Language Arts?  
**E.nopi can help your child succeed in school!**

- Over 35 years of experience in educational services (for K-12, founded in 1976)
- Over 2.5 million students enrolled worldwide
- Develops critical thinking and problem solving skills
- Improves overall academic performance and builds confidence at school

925-461-MATH (6284) • [www.enopi.com](http://www.enopi.com)  
4713 1st Street, Suite 152 • Pleasanton, CA 94566

Next coupon page: February 11th. Call 600-0840 x113 to reserve your space.

# PhotoGallery

Share your photos of sports, events, travel and fun stuff at

[PleasantonWeekly.com](http://PleasantonWeekly.com)



THE CITY OF

# PLEASANTON

## WEEKLY MEETING NOTICES

### Planning Commission

Wednesday, January 26, 2011 @ 7:00 p.m.  
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

• **PCUP 284/PUD 81 02 03M, Little Flowers Montessori Preschool**

Application for: (1) a Minor Modification to the approved Planned Unit Development (PUD-81-02) to: (a) designate preschools as conditionally permitted uses; (b) construct an outdoor playground area; and (c) construct an approximately 156 square foot electrical room addition to the existing building; and (2) a Conditional Use Permit to allow a preschool at 11533 Dublin Canyon Road.

• **PAP-150, Mark Lobaugh, Complete Wireless Consulting**

Appeal of the Zoning Administrator's (in this case the Community Development Director's) determination that the proposed wireless facility located at 6890 Koll Center Parkway does not meet the locational requirements as specified in Section 18.110.050 of the Pleasanton Municipal Code.

• **PUD 81 30 48M/PUD 85 08 21M, City of Pleasanton, Hacienda Transit Oriented Design Standards and Guidelines**

Application for a Major Modification to the Planned Unit Development for Hacienda Business Park to adopt various standards and guidelines to guide development on three parcels close to the Dublin/Pleasanton BART station, and to provide design concepts for associated improvements including streets, landscaping, bike and pedestrian connections and open space. The sites are: (1) The W.P. Carey site at the southeast corner of Owens Drive and Willow Road (Assessor's Parcel No. 941-2778-013-00); (2) The BRE site at the north corner of Hacienda Drive and Gibraltar Drive (APN 941 2778-011-00); and (3) The Roche Molecular Systems site, south of Gibraltar Drive between Willow Road and Hacienda Drive (a portion of APN 941 2761 003 00).

### Energy & Environment Committee

Wednesday, January 26, 2011 @ 6:00 p.m.  
Operations Services, 3333 Busch Road

- Discussion on Wind Generation
- City Attorney update on proposed ban on single use plastic bags
- CAP Update
- Report out on committee focus areas for 2011

### Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trails Committee

Monday, January 24, 2011 @ 6:30 p.m.  
Pleasanton Senior Center Classroom, 5353 Sunol Blvd.

- Bicycle, Pedestrian & Trails related funding
- Emergency relocation of the existing asphalt concrete trail along Valley Avenue between Sunol Boulevard and the Alameda County Transportation Corridor
- Pleasanton Gateway Development
- Update of Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan
- Completion of ground improvements to Blue Oak Knoll Trail; Augustin Bernal Community Park
- Trails Project Status Report

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

## POLICE REPORT

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

### Jan. 10

#### Theft

- 7:05 a.m. in the 3400 block of Smoketree Commons Drive; petty theft
- 9:38 a.m. in the 5500 block of Corte Sonora; auto theft
- 10:55 a.m. in the 1700 block of Stoneridge Drive; petty theft
- 11:27 a.m. in the 4500 block of Chabot Drive; petty theft
- 1:22 p.m. in the 3400 block of Smoketree Commons Drive; petty theft

#### Burglary

- 10:33 a.m. in the 3200 block of Cheryl Circle
- 2:51 p.m. in the 3700 block of N. Platt Court

#### DUI

- 2:01 a.m. in the 5500 block of Springhouse Drive

### Jan. 11

#### Theft

- 9:20 a.m. in the first block of Stoneridge Mall Road; grand theft
- 10:27 a.m. in the 2100 block of Alexander Way; identity theft
- 1:12 p.m. in the 3200 block of Cheryl Circle; grand theft

#### Burglary

- 4:28 p.m. in the 7600 block of Payne Road

#### Battery

- 8:40 a.m. in the 4300 block of Foothill Road

#### Vandalism

- 10:04 a.m. in the 5500 block of Springhouse Drive
- 12:33 p.m. in the 500 block of Tawny Drive

#### Public drunkenness

- 6:33 p.m. in the 1300 block of

Stoneridge Mall Road

### Jan. 12

#### Identity theft

- 5:35 p.m. in the 3600 block of Andrews Drive

#### Under the influence of a controlled substance

- 1:16 a.m. in the 4800 block of Bernal Avenue

### Jan. 13

#### Identity theft

- 8:08 p.m. in the 100 block of Germano Way

#### Burglary

- 10:35 a.m. in the 5800 block of Stoneridge Mall Road
- 11:43 a.m. in the 5800 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

#### Battery

- 10:08 a.m. in the 1100 block of Santa Rita Road

#### Drug/alcohol violations

- 2:18 a.m. in the 6800 block of Santa Rita Road; public drunkenness
- 6:01 p.m. in the 2400 block of Via Espada; public drunkenness
- 10:15 p.m. in the 3000 block of Bernal Avenue; marijuana possession (two counts), possession of marijuana for sale

### Jan. 14

#### Theft

- 4:08 p.m. at the intersection of Birch Creek Drive and Vineyard Avenue; theft
- 4:55 p.m. in the 4400 block of Willow Road; theft

#### Burglary

- 10:14 a.m. in the 900 block of Kolln Street

#### Vandalism

- 1:16 p.m. in the 700 block of St. Michael Court

#### Drug/alcohol violations

- 12:11 a.m. at the intersection of Santa Rita Road and Rosewood Drive; possession of a non-narcotic controlled substance

- 11:25 p.m. at the intersection of Chardonnay Drive and Marsala Court; DUI

- 11:42 p.m. in the 1800 block of Santa Rita Road; public drunkenness

### Jan. 15

#### Theft

- 11:42 a.m. in the 5400 block of Sunol Boulevard; auto theft
- 1:54 p.m. in the 1700 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; petty theft
- 3:41 p.m. at the intersection of Hopyard Road and Golden Road; theft of services

#### Burglary

- 8:09 a.m. in the 4800 block of Bernal Avenue; burglary, vandalism, paraphernalia possession

#### Threats

- 1:20 p.m. in the 3900 block of Vineyard Avenue

#### Vandalism

- 10:21 a.m. in the 700 block of St. Michael Court
- 10:43 a.m. in the 6200 block of Inglewood Drive

#### Drug/alcohol violations

- 1:15 a.m. at the intersection of Owens Drive and Johnson Drive; DUI
- 1:55 a.m. in the 5800 block of Owens Drive; public drunkenness
- 7:18 p.m. at the intersection of Black Avenue and Hopyard Road; DUI

### Jan. 16

#### Petty theft

- 8:05 p.m. in the 1300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

#### Vandalism

- 1:04 p.m. in the 5300 block of Case Avenue

#### Drug/alcohol violations

- 7:20 a.m. at the intersection of Hopyard Road and Parkside Drive; underage DUI
- 11:50 p.m. in the 1700 block of Santa Rita Road; possession of a hypodermic needle, paraphernalia possession

## OBITUARIES

### John Edward Flatley

Pleasanton resident John Edward Flatley died Dec. 22 of heart failure at the age of 80.

He was born Jan. 6, 1930, in New York City, the second of seven children of John and Beatrice Flatley, and was raised in the Bronx.

He began his military career in 1948 as an airplane mechanic in the Army Air Corps during the Berlin Airlift, and was accepted into the Naval Aviation Cadet program to become a pilot and officer. He met his wife Eleanor soon after arriving at his first duty station in Coronado. He flew and served as a line officer until he retired as a Commander in 1970. He had a second career as an electronic technician at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

After he retired, Mr. Flatley and his wife took their camper all over the desert to prospect, to the beach for sunsets, and to the mountains to stargaze. He spent much time



in the garage and could improve or repair just about anything. His grandkids saved their broken toys for his visits.

He ran long before it became common and took up windsurfing when he was in his 70s. He loved cooking, talk radio, politics, tools, flashlights and growing tomatoes but most of all his family and his neighbors and friends and their families.

Mr. Flatley is survived by his wife Eleanor; children Michael, Ann and Joseph, and son-in-law Ken; seven grandchildren; sisters Helen and Irene, and brothers Thomas and Peter. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. tomorrow at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church, 4001 Stoneridge Drive in Pleasanton. Interment will be at the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery in Dixon.

### Loretta Benevides Roque

Loretta Benevides Roque died at her home in Pleasanton on Jan. 17 surrounded by her family, at the age of 82.

She was born Oct. 23, 1928, to Dennis and Mary Benevides, and was raised in Fall River, Mass. She moved to Bridgewater, Mass., after she was married. Following the

death of her husband she relocated her parents and children to Fremont. After she retired, she moved to Pleasanton to be closer to her family.

Ms. Roque worked at Mervyns of California for 25 years and enjoyed friends from the Mervyns Grande Dames Retiree Group and the Widowed Men and Women of Northern California. Her ultimate joy was her family and being a part of her granddaughters' lives.

She was predeceased by her husband Joseph S. Roque. She is survived by her children Scott Joseph and Mona Roque of El Dorado Hills, and Mary Lou and David Stuart of Pleasanton; five grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews in California, Massachusetts and Texas. A visitation was held the evening of Jan. 20 at Berge-Pappas-Smith Chapel of the Angels in Fremont. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. today at St. Elizabeth Seton, 4001 Stoneridge Drive in Pleasanton. Burial will follow at Holy Sepulchre Catholic Cemetery in Hayward. Donations may be made to Hope Hospice in Dublin.



# Marketplace Pleasanton Weekly

To advertise in the Marketplace call Karen at 925.600.0840 x122 or email [kklein@pleasantonweekly.com](mailto:kklein@pleasantonweekly.com)

Get daily local stories and hot picks sent to your email

Pleasanton  
**express**

Sign up online at  
[www.PleasantonWeekly.com](http://www.PleasantonWeekly.com)

## Real Estate



**Mike Fracisco**  
REALTOR®  
Fracisco Realty & Investments  
Residential, Commercial  
& Property Management  
direct: 925-998-8131  
[www.MikeFracisco.com](http://www.MikeFracisco.com)  
DRE#01378428

## Cremation & Burial



**CREMATION AND BURIAL SOCIETY**  
Simple. Dignified. Affordable.  
24/7 TOLL FREE 877-916-4779  
[AcaciaSociety.com](http://AcaciaSociety.com) | FD-2046  
SF Bay Area / Coast Sacramento Valley

## Accounting/Bookkeeping

**NEED HELP WITH QUICKBOOKS?**  
No job too big or too small!!!  
Over 23 years experience in all aspects of bookkeeping.  
Call Linda 925.918.2233

## Door Installation

**AFFORDABLE DOOR INSTALLATION**  
All Types Interior/Exterior  
510-599-5887  
DPS Interiors  
Lic#862120

# fogster.com THE TRI-VALLEY'S CLASSIFIEDS WEB SITE



**115 Announcements**  
PREGNANT? CONSIDERING ADOPTION? Talk with caring agency specializing in matching Birthmothers with Families nationwide. LIVING EXPENSES PAID. Call 24/7 Abby's One True Gift Adoptions 866-413-6293 (Void in Illinois) (AAN CAN)

Clutter New Years Resolutions?  
SHARPEN UP AT THE FARMER'S MARKET  
Stress and Pain Mgmt, BLR, MFT  
Wanted: Used musical instruments

**130 Classes & Instruction**  
Attend College Online from Home. \*Medical, \*Business, \*Paralegal, \*Criminal Justice. Job placement assistance. Computer available. Financial Aid if qualified. SCHEV certified. Call 888-210-5162 [www.Centura.us.com](http://www.Centura.us.com) (Cal-SCAN)

**High School Diploma**  
Graduate in 4 weeks! FREE Brochure. Call Now! 1-866-562-3650 ext. 60 [www.SouthEasternHS.com](http://www.SouthEasternHS.com) (Cal-SCAN)

**HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA!**  
Graduate in just 4 weeks!! FREE Brochure. Call NOW! 1-800-532-6546 Ext. 97 <http://www.continentalacademy.com> (AAN CAN)

**133 Music Lessons**  
SINGING LESSONS FOR ALL AGES!  
Voice Studio of Cherie Michael  
Call 925-462-4419  
For further information and to reserve your private lessons.

**135 Group Activities**  
ClutterLess[CL] meets Mondays  
Lioness Club seeks New members

**145 Non-Profits Needs**  
Need used musical instruments!

**201 Autos/Trucks/Parts**  
ANY Any Snow Chains/Cables - \$220 obo

**202 Vehicles Wanted**

**Donate Vehicle**  
Receive \$1000 Grocery Coupons, Your Choice. Noah's Arc, No Kill Animal Shelters. Advanced Veterinary Treatments. Free Towing, IRS Tax Deduction. Non-Runners. 1-866-912-GIVE. (Cal-SCAN)

**Donate Your Car**  
Children's Cancer Fund! Help Save A Child's Life Through Research and Support! Free Vacation Package. Fast, Easy and Tax Deductible. Call 1-800-252-0615. (Cal-SCAN)

**210 Garage/Estate Sales**  
Pleasanton, 3231 Vineyard Ave, Current

**215 Collectibles & Antiques**  
Pelikan 800 Rollerball Pen - \$185  
Royal Doulton figurine - \$25

**235 Wanted to Buy**  
Comic Books  
Sports and bubble gum cards. Mags, toys, movies and music, rock and roll stuff anything pre 1975. Please call Mike: 800-723-5572 S Paid. (Cal-SCAN)

**Diabetic Test Strips**  
Cash Paid. Unopened, Unexpired Boxes Only. All Brands Considered. Help others, don't throw boxes away. For more information, Call 888-491-1168. (Cal-SCAN)

**240 Furnishings/Household items**  
3 piece kitchen carving set - \$10  
Entertainment Cabinet - Free  
Oak Rolltop Desk - \$350  
QUEEN BEDROOM SET - \$795.00  
Wallhugger Recliner-NEW! - \$275.00

**245 Miscellaneous**  
CLARK BARS - \$1.00  
Modular Office Panels - \$75.00  
Non-stick stove top grill - \$20  
Portable BioStim A6 TENS Unit - \$120  
RATTAN CHEST - \$99.00  
RED WORMS FOR COMPOSTING - \$25  
Time/Design System, box w/ misc - \$50 obo



**330 Child Care Offered**  
Kids Pick Up And Drop Off For School(s). In Pleasanton.  
Contact Pat at [parul4229@hotmail.com](mailto:parul4229@hotmail.com)  
Live in AuPair Childcare  
RELIABLE BABYSITTER

**345 Tutoring/Lessons**  
Everything-About-College.com  
College Admissions Specialist.  
Everything you need to manage the college applications and admissions process.

**High School Tutoring**  
High school math/English tutoring. Algebra, Geometry, Pre-calc. Prepare for finals. Essay Writing/College Application essays. SAT/ACT prep. Retired teacher, Cal credential, 925-462-3807



**435 Integrative Medicine**  
Herbal Medicine, Fact or Fiction

**450 Personal Growth**  
Wisdom Works  
YEAR END LETTING GO CEREMONY

**460 Pilates**  
Pilates Training



**550 Business Opportunities**  
ALL CASH VENDING  
IN YOUR LOCAL AREA. Be your own boss-25 machines/candy all for \$9,995.00. 1-877-915-8222  
Vend 3. 880 Grand Blvd, Deer Park, NY. (AAN CAN)  
All Cash Vending Route  
Be Your Own Boss! 25 Machines + Candy All for \$9995. Vend3, 880 Grand Blvd., Deer Park, NY. 1-877-915-8222. Major CC accepted! (Cal-SCAN)

**560 Employment Information**  
\$\$\$HELP WANTED\$\$\$  
Extra Income! Assembling CD cases from Home! No Experience Necessary! Call our Live Operators Now! 1-800-405-7619 EXT 2450 <http://www.easywork-greatpay.com> (AAN CAN)

**Able to Travel?**  
Hiring 8 people. No experience necessary. Transportation and lodging furnished. Paid training. Work and travel entire USA. Start today. [www.ProtekChemical.com](http://www.ProtekChemical.com) 1-208-590-0365. (Cal-SCAN)

**Airlines Are Hiring**  
Go to aviation maintenance college for FREE! Tuition paid for the BEST. H.S. Grad w/good grades and proven work history. CALL Aviation Institute of Maintenance (866) 859-6378. (Cal-SCAN)

**Company Drivers**  
Solos and Hazmat Teams \* GREAT PAY \* GREAT MILES \* CDLA Required. We also have dedicated and regional positions available. Call 866-789-8947. Swift. (Cal-SCAN)

**Computer Work**  
Work from anywhere 24/7. Up to \$1,500 Part Time to \$7,500/mo. Full Time. Training provided. [www.KTPGlobal.com](http://www.KTPGlobal.com) or call 1-888-304-2847. (Cal-SCAN)

**Driver**  
Drive KNIGHT in 2011. Daily or Weekly Pay. Top Equipment, 27 Service Centers, Van and Refrigerated. CDL-A with 3 months OTR experience. 1-800-414-9569. [www.DriveKnight.com](http://www.DriveKnight.com) (Cal-SCAN)

**Drivers**  
Top 5% Pay! Excellent Benefits. 300 New T660's. Need CDL-A and 3 months recent OTR. 1-877-258-8782. [www.MeltonTruck.com](http://www.MeltonTruck.com) (Cal-SCAN)

**Logistics Trainee**  
Earn as you learn. Good pay, medical/dental, \$ for school. No experience needed. HS grads ages 17-34. Call Mon-Fri 1-800-345-6289. (Cal-SCAN)

**Paid In Advance!**  
Make \$1,000 a Week mailing brochures from home! Guaranteed Income! FREE Supplies! No experience required. Start Immediately! HYPERLINK "http://www.homemailerprogram.net"/"www.homemailerprogram.net" (AAN CAN)



**624 Financial**  
Cash Now!  
Cash for your structured settlement or annuity payments. Call J.G. Wentworth. 1-866-494-9115. Rated A+ by the Better Business Bureau. (Cal-SCAN)

**crosetti funding**  
CASH NOW we offer fast cash for your mortgage note, annuity, and business note call 1 800 391 4032

**645 Office/Home Business Services**  
Advertising - Best-Kept Secret  
A business card sized display ad 140 California community newspapers. Reach 3 million+ Californians. Cost \$1,550.\$1.33 cost per thousand. Free brochure (916)288-6019; [www.CalSDAN.com](http://www.CalSDAN.com) (Cal-SCAN)

**Classified Advertising**  
240 California community newspapers reaching over 6 million Californians. 25-words \$550 works out to 18 cents cost per thousand! FREE email brochure. Call (916) 288-6019. [www.CalSDAN.com](http://www.CalSDAN.com) (Cal-SCAN)

**Press Release**  
The California Press Release Service distributes news releases electronically to 500 California newspaper editors. [www.CaliforniaPressReleaseService.com](http://www.CaliforniaPressReleaseService.com) Questions call (916) 288-6010. (Cal-SCAN)



**751 General Contracting**

**NOTICE TO READERS** >It is illegal for an unlicensed person to perform contracting work on any project valued at \$500.00 or more in labor and materials. State law also requires that contractors include their license numbers on all advertising. Check your contractor's status at [www.cslb.ca.gov](http://www.cslb.ca.gov) or 800-321-CSLB (2752). Unlicensed persons taking jobs that total less than \$500.00 must state in their advertisements that they are not licensed by the Contractors State License Board

**Calhoun Construction**  
No job too small! Add a door or window, need an extra outlet or lights,fans,repair siding, beautiful custom molding and trim. Larger jobs no problem, kitchen and bath remodels, general tiling, custom storage sheds and more. Very reasonable rates, lic# 899014, bonded 925-330-0965.

**771 Painting/Wallpaper**  
\*JOE'S PAINTING & HANDYMAN\*  
Free Est. / Reasonable Prices no Job Too Small!!! 925-200-7333  
Lic#624542



**809 Shared Housing/Rooms**

**PET OF THE WEEK**

**Amazing Grace**  
Grace will win your heart with her bright green eyes that lock on to yours, just begging for a neck scratch or a toy to play with. Grace is a 5-year-old gray and white cutie who acts like a kitten. She'd love to win you over with her antics and persuade you to take her home. She's available at the East Bay SPCA, 4651 Gleason Drive in Dublin. Call 479-9670 or visit [www.eastbayspca.org](http://www.eastbayspca.org).



MICHAEL MALONEY

**ALL AREAS - ROOMMATES.COM**  
Browse hundreds of online listings with photos and maps. Find your roommate with a click of the mouse! Visit: <http://www.Roommates.com>. (AAN CAN)

**825 Homes/Condos for Sale**  
Pleasanton, 2 BR/2 BA  
OPEN HOUSE 1-4 SUNDAY  
175 Junipero St.  
[YourPleasantonHome.com](http://YourPleasantonHome.com)  
925-400-8146

San Ramon, 4 BR/2 BA - \$529,000

**840 Vacation Rentals/Time Shares**  
Sell/Rent Timeshares  
For CASH!!! Our Guaranteed Services will Sell/ Rent Your Unused Timeshare for CASH! Over \$78 Million Dollars offered in 2010! [www.SellaTimeshare.com](http://www.SellaTimeshare.com) (877) 554-2098 (Cal-SCAN)

Squaw Vly, Feb27-Mar 6 Timeshare - 700

**850 Acreage/Lots/Storage**  
Arizona - Phoenix Area  
Everything Must Go! \$1,000 an acre. Priced less than the developer paid. 90 minutes north of Phoenix. 36 acres with electric, reduced to \$36,000. Private peaceful setting, breathtaking mountain views, abundant wildlife. Financing available. Saddle Creek Ranch by AZLR. 1-888-690-8271. (Cal-SCAN)

**ARIZONA BIG BEAUTIFUL LOTS**  
\$99/mo., \$0-down, \$0-interest. Golf Course, Nat'l Parks. 1 hour from Tucson In'l Airport. Guaranteed Financing. NO CREDIT CHECK! (800) 631-8164 Code 4054 [www.sunsiteslandrush.com](http://www.sunsiteslandrush.com) (AAN CAN)

No phone number in the ad?  
GO TO [fogster.com](http://fogster.com)  
for contact information

## LIVERMORE HERITAGE PROPERTY



Outstanding NEW YEARS opportunity for this unique property! Large 2600 sq. ft. home with a full basement of an additional 1300 sq. ft. Enjoy the old world charm that is on display here with high ceilings, rich flooring and crown molding plus the elegance of a totally remodeled granite/stainless steel kitchen and remodeled bathrooms. With a lot size close to 1/2 acre, there is a large variety of uses for this "very special" property. Priced at **\$599,000**



**NORM & GRACE NELSON**  
925/463-6175 (Norm) 925/463-6192 (Grace)  
norm.nelson@bhghome.com

The **EXPERIENCED TEAM**  
You Can **TRUST** in the  
Toughest of Markets!!



## OPEN HOMES THIS WEEKEND

### Castro Valley

<b>3 BEDROOMS</b>		
<b>2416 Stanton Hill</b>	<b>\$449,000</b>	
Sat/Sun 1-4	Better Homes	463-9500
<b>5 BEDROOMS</b>		
<b>6458 Sunnyslope Avenue</b>	<b>\$799,750</b>	
Sun 1-4	Natalie Kruger	847-7355

### Danville

<b>4 BEDROOMS</b>		
<b>116 Center Court</b>	<b>\$729,000</b>	
Sat/Sun 1-4	Better Homes	463-9500
<b>5 BEDROOMS</b>		
<b>639 Dunhill Drive</b>	<b>\$899,950</b>	
Sun 1:30-4:30	J. Rockcliff Realtors	200-2525

### Dublin

<b>3 BEDROOMS</b>		
<b>7970 Elgin Lane</b>	<b>\$395,000</b>	
Sat/Sun 1-4	Better Homes	734-5000
<b>4 BEDROOMS</b>		
<b>4405 Roscommon Way</b>	<b>\$695,000</b>	
Sat/Sun 1-4	Better Homes	463-9500
<b>5 BEDROOMS</b>		
<b>4766 Fawn Way</b>	<b>\$639,000</b>	
Sat/Sun 1-4	Better Homes	463-9500

### Livermore

<b>4 BEDROOMS</b>		
<b>1677 Cascina Court</b>	<b>\$865,000</b>	
Sun 1-4	Keller Williams	918-2045
<b>5 BEDROOMS</b>		
<b>5601 Dressler Circle</b>	<b>\$799,500</b>	
Sun 1-4	Keller Williams Tri Valley	980-0273

### Pleasanton

<b>2 BEDROOMS</b>		
<b>5748 Belleza Drive</b>	<b>\$399,950</b>	
Sat/Sun 1-4	Better Homes	463-9500
<b>3 BEDROOMS</b>		
<b>6887 Herrin Court</b>	<b>\$479,900</b>	
Sat/Sun 1-4	Better Homes	463-9500

<b>458 Vineyard Place</b>	<b>\$499,000</b>	
Sat/Sun 1-4	Better Homes	463-9500
<b>583 Saint John Street</b>	<b>\$575,000</b>	
Sun 1-4	Keller Williams	463-0436
<b>4386 Krause Street</b>	<b>\$579,000</b>	
Sun 1-4	Coldwell Banker	847-2200
<b>1014 Wat Court</b>	<b>\$587,888</b>	
Sat/Sun 10-5	Better Homes	734-5000
<b>3008 Calle De La Mesa</b>	<b>\$649,000</b>	
Sun 1-4	J. Rockcliff Realtors	251-2516

### 4 BEDROOMS

<b>480 Montori Court</b>	<b>\$1,025,000</b>	
Sun 1-4	Keller Williams Tri Valley	980-0273
<b>317 Diamond Court</b>	<b>\$1,225,000</b>	
Sun 1-4	Mark James	216-0454
<b>11 Lower Golf Road</b>	<b>\$1,250,000</b>	
Sat/Sun 1-4	J. Rockcliff Realtors	251-2544
<b>512 Bunker Lane</b>	<b>\$1,449,000</b>	
Sun 1-4	Keller Williams Tri-Valley	202-6298
<b>1867 Sannita Court</b>	<b>\$2,749,000</b>	
Sun 1-4	Uwe Maerz	360-8758
<b>2533 Glen Isle Avenue</b>	<b>\$599,000</b>	
Sun 1-4	Karla Brown	200-1909
<b>3902 Kral Place</b>	<b>\$699,000</b>	
Sun 1-4	Keller Williams	577-5787
<b>7370 Hillsdale Drive</b>	<b>\$745,000</b>	
Sat/Sun 1-4	Better Homes	463-9500
<b>5266 Muirwood</b>	<b>\$799,000</b>	
Sun 1-4	Doug Buenz	463-2000

### 5 BEDROOMS

<b>3116 Devereux Court</b>	<b>\$1,349,000</b>	
Sun 1-4	Coldwell Banker	847-2200
<b>1867 Sannita Court</b>	<b>\$2,749,000</b>	
Sun 1-4	Uwe Maerz	360-8758
<b>3265 Northampton Court</b>	<b>\$690,000</b>	
Sun 1-4	Moxley Team	600-0990

### 6 BEDROOMS

<b>35 Golf Road</b>	<b>\$1,749,000</b>	
Sat/Sun 1-4	Keller Williams	260-2220

### San Ramon

<b>2 BEDROOMS</b>		
<b>735 Watson Canyon Court</b>	<b>\$259,000</b>	
Sat/Sun 1-4	Better Homes	734-5000

## INTEREST RATES ARE STILL AT RECORD LOWS!

### What was your New Year's Resolution?

If your New Year's Resolution was to purchase your dream home, a vacation home or refinance your current mortgage, now is the time. Call Debi Zentner of Diversified Mortgage Group. In this ever changing mortgage market, you need to work with a professional Loan Specialist who can guide you through a successful home loan transaction. For over 17 years, Debi has been helping customers find the right loan, delivered on time with no surprises.

I look forward to speaking with you. Call for complimentary mortgage evaluation.



**Debi Zentner**  
Certified Mortgage Planner  
925.426.8383 x53 office  
925.200.6381 cell  
debi@diversifiedmg.com  
www.debizentner.com

DRE License # 01087929

## MAJOR REDUCTION

**New Price:**  
**\$498,950**



**101 Goldstone Common • Livermore**  
This former Model Home is loaded with custom upgrades, Granite Slab Counters, Surround Sound, Brazilian Cherry wood floors. 3 bedrooms 2.5 baths, approx. 2105 sq. ft.

If you are thinking of selling or buying a home, call me for information on current market conditions and options available to you.

925.989.6500

**Delores Gragg**

**KELLER WILLIAMS**  
TriValley Realty

**CHA REALTOR®**  
Lic#01206964

KELLER WILLIAMS® Tri-Valley Realty is Independently Owned and Operated.

**WWW.DELORESGRAGG.COM**



# KELLER WILLIAMS®

## Tri Valley Realty

Keller Williams Realty is proud to be the second largest real estate firm in North America

[www.KW-Trivalley.com](http://www.KW-Trivalley.com)

Broker License #01395362



J.D. Power & Associates' award 3 years in a row



**Dave & Sue Flashberger**  
REALTOR®  
925.463.0436  
[www.SoldinaFlash.com](http://www.SoldinaFlash.com)



Open Sun 1-4

**583 Saint John Street, Pleasanton**  
Simply stunning! New hardwood floors, solid wood doors, crown molding & a gourmet quartz kitchen are just a few of the upgrades to this downtown home. With over 1800 sq ft, 3 bedrooms & 3 baths, this is truly a rare find. **Offered at \$575,000**



**Gail Boal**  
REALTOR®  
925.577.5787  
[www.gailboal.com](http://www.gailboal.com)  
DRE # 01276455



Open Sun 1-4

**3902 Kral Place, Pleasanton**  
New on the market! Gorgeous Mohr Park home has been renovated from head to toe! 4 BR, 2.5 BA with wood floors, designer colors, newer roof. Spacious backyard with pool, spa and large side yard. Walking distance to Mohr school and park! Must see! **Offered at \$699,000**



**Natalie Kruger**  
REALTOR®  
925.847.7355  
[www.krugergroup.com](http://www.krugergroup.com)  
DRE # 01187582



Open Sun 1-4

**6458 Sunnyslope Avenue, Castro Valley**  
Nestled on 11.76 +/- acres with plenty of room for livestock or perhaps a vineyard. 5 bedrooms, 2 baths & 2912 +/- sq. ft. of living space PLUS city water & gas! Private, rural living, but close to shopping & amenities. **Offered at \$799,750**



**Dennis Gerlt**  
Broker Associate  
925.426.5010  
[www.dennisgerlt.net](http://www.dennisgerlt.net)  
DRE # 1353527



**7717 Cottonwood Lane, Pleasanton**  
This is a beautiful move-in condition, single level home in Highland Oaks! With tons of curb appeal on a large lot, it has 3 bedrooms and 2 baths, and is close to shopping and freeways. A must see! **Offered at \$615,000**



**Cindy and Gene Williams**  
REALTOR®  
925.918.2045  
[www.williamsteam.net](http://www.williamsteam.net)  
DRE # 01370076 and 00607511



Open Sun 1-4

**1677 Cascina Court, Livermore**  
4 BR + library, 3 BA, 3,328 approx. sq. ft., 10,217 approx. sq. ft. lot, gourmet kitchen w/all st. steel appliances, plantation shutters & Corian solid surface counters. Close to wineries & shops w/easy access to highways 84 & 580! [www.1677CascinaCt.com](http://www.1677CascinaCt.com) **Offered at \$865,000**



**Jo and Carla Hunter**  
REALTOR®  
Jo: 413.4278; Carla: 200.2142  
[jo@johunter.com](mailto:jo@johunter.com)  
[carla@carlahunter.com](mailto:carla@carlahunter.com)  
DRE # 00692588 and 01463436



Open Sun 1-4

**1609 Holly Circle, Pleasanton**  
4 BR, 2.5 BA with 2030 sq. ft. Located in desirable area in top-rated school district. Light and bright spacious living area. Neutral décor throughout. Near historic downtown Pleasanton. Easy access to Iron Horse Trail. **Offered at \$569,000**



**DeAnna Armario**  
REALTOR®  
925.260.2220  
[www.armariohomes.com](http://www.armariohomes.com)  
DRE # 01363180



Open Sat & Sun 1-4

**35 Golf Road, Pleasanton**  
Stunning 6 BR & 4.5 BA Craftsman style home built in 2010. Hillside home boasts quality construction, luxurious detailing, and a secluded location at the end of one of the most desirable streets in Castlewood Country Club. Features expansive valley views. **Offered at \$1,749,000**



**Gina Cordero**  
Loan Officer  
925.575.1535  
[Gina.Cordero@prospectmtg.com](mailto:Gina.Cordero@prospectmtg.com)  
[myprospectmortgage.com/gcordero](http://myprospectmortgage.com/gcordero)  
NMLS# 250154

We've got the people, the products, the pricing and the prominence to find you the perfect home loan! Conforming, FHA, VA, HomePath® financing, Jumbo, Super Jumbo, Reverse, Renovation, Private Mortgage and more. Contact me today!

HomePath® is a registered trademark of Fannie Mae.

Loan inquiries and applications in states where I am not licensed will be referred to a Loan Officer who is licensed in the property state. Equal Housing Lender. Prospect Mortgage, LLC (Unique Identifier #3296) is a Delaware limited liability company licensed by the Department of Corporations under the California Residential Mortgage Lending Act. This is not an offer for extension of credit or a commitment to lend. All loans must satisfy company underwriting guidelines. Information and pricing are subject to change at any time and without notice.



# All Ruby Hill, All the time

Better Homes and Gardens REAL ESTATE



**2802 Vizzolini Court**  
CUSTOM Single Story 4,000 sq ft home that sits on 1/2 acre with private park-like setting. The most affordable custom home in all of Ruby Hill.



**2193 Canosa Court**  
Newer CUSTOM construction at the end of the cul de sac. 5 bedrooms, office, bonus room, views and privacy. Just listed.



**3019 East Ruby Hill Drive**  
Over 5,000 sq ft 4 BR, office, bonus room, and loft sitting on a sun drenched lot with pool, spa and BBQ zone. Forgot to mention ON THE GOLF COURSE.



**4132 West Ruby Hill Drive**  
6 BR, 8.5 BA (including an outdoor Pool Bath) Approx. 9,000 sq ft 4-Car Garage, Pool/Spa/Waterfall/Outside Covered Kitchen.



**1537 Via Di Salerno**  
One of the Few Remaining Golf Court Lots Located on the 17th Green at Ruby Hill. 0% Builder Financing (Qualified Buyers) Plans Available



**4131 Parma Court**  
Almost 5,000 sq ft home on 3/4 acre lot. 4 oversized bedrooms, formal office, large bonus room with balcony and exercise room too!

925 858 0685  
SHANE@RUBYHILLSALES.COM

WWW.RUBYHILLSALES.COM

925 639 7847  
ROB@RUBYHILLSALES.COM



Weiner & McDowell GROUP

PLEASANTON

The Weiner McDowell Group  
Providing their clients with "Concierge" style service

**PHYLLIS WEINER & PETER McDOWELL**  
Providing their clients with "Concierge" style service and 24/7 accessibility.

### WHY HIRE PHYLLIS & PETER?

As a team, Phyllis and Peter bring more than 30 years combined experience, and a proven track record in the local real estate market. Although they specialize in the higher end executive and luxury home market, they are happy to serve their clients in all price ranges and help them achieve their real estate goals.

### GIVE US A CALL TODAY!

925.251.2585 OR 925.251.2550

Discover why getting the Best doesn't have to cost more.

WEINERMCDOWELLGROUP.COM

CA DRE 00673849/ 01361481  
5075 Hopyard Rd Ste. 110  
Pleasanton, CA 94588

**PHYLLIS WEINER**  
PWEINER@ROCKCLIFF.COM  
D. 925.251.2585 c. 925.872.1416

**PETER McDOWELL**  
PMCDOWELL@ROCKCLIFF.COM  
D. 925.251.2550 c. 925.209.0343



COMING SOON, PLEASANTON  
CARRIAGE GARDENS



4,000+/- sq.ft., 0.50+/- FLAT ACRES • POOL  
FABULOUS SINGLE LEVEL CUSTOM HOME, 4,000 sq.ft. ON FLAT 1/2 ACRE PRIVATE, WOODED LOT. POOL, SPA, CABANA .  
CALL US FOR PRIVATE SHOWING.

COMING SOON, PLEASANTON  
DOWNTOWN \$1,099,000



4 Bd 2 Ba • 2,278+/- sq.ft., 4,550+/- sq.ft. LOT  
STORYBOOK TUDOR HOME ON E. ANGELA, DOWNTOWN PLEASANTON! EXQUISITE ATTENTION TO ARCHITECTURAL DETAIL AND THE BEST DOWNTOWN LOCATION!  
CALL US FOR A PRIVATE SHOWING.

6645 AMBER LN, PLEASANTON  
CARRIAGE GARDENS \$1,398,000



5 Bd 3 Ba • 3,475+/- sq.ft., 0.49+/- ACRES  
BEAUTIFULLY UPDATED CARRIAGE GARDENS HOME. FULL BED & BATH DOWNSTAIRS. UPDATED KITCHEN, MEDIA ROOM, HUGE BONUS ROOM IMPROVED LOT W/ GORGEOUS POOL AND FULL SPORTS COURT. PERFECT FOR HANGING OUT OR ENTERTAINING!

7914 PARAGON CIR, PLEASANTON  
SOLD FOR \$1,425,000



SELLER REPRESENTED BY PHYLLIS AND PETER  
MOST DESIRABLE FLOORPLAN IN FABULOUS LAGUNA OAKS NEIGHBORHOOD! PREMIUM .46 ACRE LOT WITH OVER \$300K IN LANDSCAPING, POOL, SPA, BBQ, FOUNTAINS AND MORE!

1587 E GATE WAY, PLEASANTON  
PENDING AT \$998,000



SELLER REPRESENTED BY PHYLLIS AND PETER  
BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED HOME W/ A FULL BED & BATH DOWNSTAIRS, GUESTS OR AU PAIR. LARGE EAT-IN KITCHEN OPENING TO FAMILY ROOM W/ FIRE PLACE. BED/BATH CARRIAGE HOUSE

9663 CROSBY DR, PLEASANTON  
PENDING AT \$1,898,000



BUYER AND SELLER REPRESENTED BY PHYLLIS AND PETER  
THE DESIRABLE PRESERVE NEIGHBORHOOD. THE FINEST MATERIALS & WORKMANSHIP THRUOUT, BEAUTIFUL VIEWS OF THE HILLS AND VISTAS, BACKS TO OPEN SPACE. EXCELLENT, WELL PLANNED FLOORPLAN.

FOR MORE GREAT PROPERTIES, THE PROPERTIES ABOVE, OR ADDITIONAL INFO. ABOUT THE WEINER McDOWELL GROUP CALL US TODAY! 925.251.2585



DISCOVER HOW TO GET MORE FOR YOUR HOME.  
DISCOVER J. ROCKCLIFF REALTORS.

WWW.ROCKCLIFF.COM



THE EAST BAY'S PREMIER REAL ESTATE COMPANY.

**Get Instant Access!**  
Using your smart phone, scan the QR-Code next to the property address. You'll receive instant access to additional info., photos and plenty of useful buyer and seller tools.

<p><b>1867 SANNITA CT</b> RUBY HILL, PLEASANTON OPEN SUN 1-4 \$2,749,000</p> <p><b>5 Bd 3.5 Ba • 4,500+/- sq.ft., 0.56+/- Acres</b> Formidable, elegant Formal French custom home w/ private location, backing up to open space. Custom built by Jerry Soba Construction. <b>Uwe Maerz 925.360.8758</b></p>	<p><b>1225 LOZANO CT</b> RUBY HILL, PLEASANTON ITALIAN VILLA \$4,299,000</p> <p><b>6 Bd 7(2) Ba • 8,877+/- sq.ft., 0.65+/- Acres</b> Stunning Ruby Hill Estate. Nestled in an unrivaled setting among olive trees and lush landscaping w/ mile long views of vineyards. <b>Uwe Maerz 925.360.8758</b></p>	<p><b>11 LOWER GOLF RD</b> CASTLEWOOD, PLEASANTON OPEN SAT &amp; SUN 1-4 \$1,250,000</p> <p><b>3 Bd 3 Ba • 2,392+/- sq.ft., 0.33+/- Acres</b> On the 8th fairway of the Castlwood Country Club. Single story w/ separate family room, formal dining. Beautiful plank hardwood floors. <b>Steve &amp; Lorraine Mattos 925.980.8844</b></p>	<p><b>6645 AMBER LN</b> CARRIAGE GARDENS, PLEASANTON ½ ACRE LOT &amp; POOL \$1,398,000</p> <p><b>5 Bd 3 Ba • 3,475+/- sq.ft., 0.50+/- Acres</b> Beautifully upgraded custom home features 5 spacious bd, improved ½ acre lot. Pool, spa, waterfall, slide, sport court and more. <b>Weiner &amp; McDowell Group 925.251.2585</b></p>	<p><b>3008 CALLE DE LA MESA</b> PANDEROSA, PLEASANTON OPEN SUN 1-4 COMING SOON</p> <p><b>3 Bd 2.5 Ba • 1,650+/- sq.ft.</b> Open flr plan. Hardwood flrs (living rm, frm dining rm, kit &amp; fam rm). Breakfast nook, plantation shutters, Central A/C, large yard &amp; close to schools. <b>Michael Delehanty 925.251.2516</b></p>
<p><b>3422 TORLANO PL</b> RUBY HILL, PLEASANTON FORMAL FRENCH \$1,749,950</p> <p><b>5 Bd 3.5 Ba • 4,500+/- sq.ft., 0.56+/- Acres</b> Formidable, elegant Formal French custom home w/ private location, backing up to open space. Custom built by Jerry Soba Construction. <b>Uwe Maerz 925.360.8758</b></p>	<p><b>5211 CAPARELLI CT</b> AVILA, PLEASANTON REO/BANK OWNED \$629,900</p> <p><b>4 Bd 2.5 Ba • 1,929+/- sq.ft., 0.09+/- Acres</b> Spacious floor plan w/natural lighting, gourmet kitchen w/Tile Counter Tops, private backyard patio.Close to great schools, shopping &amp; freeways. <b>Joe Ledesma 925.251.2559</b></p>	<p><b>2818 GARDEN CREEK</b> STONERIDGE PL, PLEASANTON NEW PRICE \$595,000</p> <p><b>4 Bd 2.5 Ba • 2,292+/- sq.ft., 0.09+/- Acres</b> Stoneridge Place - Brand NEW appliances in kitchen. Open floor plan w/ formal living, dining &amp; family rooms. Plenty of natural sunlight. <b>Joe Frazzano 925.735.7653</b></p>	<p><b>7123 CEDAR MOUNTAIN</b> LIVERMORE TUSCAN ESTATE \$4,998,000</p> <p><b>4 Bd 5.5 Ba • 8,950+/- sq.ft., 16.86+/- Acres</b> Walls of glass, salt water aquarium, wine tasting room. Incredible setting. apartment perfect for in-law or au-pair. 9 car garage. Views and more! <b>Peggy Cortez 925.648.5454</b></p>	<p><b>1089 AUBURN ST</b> SOUTH-SIDE, LIVERMORE UPDATED RANCHER \$384,900</p> <p><b>3 Bd 2 Ba • 1,516+/- sq.ft., 0.14+/- Acres</b> Lovely rancher w/ tiled entry, wood burning fireplace, solid bamboo floors thru-out, tiled kitchen floor w/ granite tiled counters &amp; much more! <b>Michael Swift &amp; Associates 925.251.2589</b></p>
<p><b>2797 SUGAR HILL TER</b> DUBLIN GOLF COURSE VIEW \$1,099,900</p> <p><b>5 Bd 5.5 Ba • 5,277+/- sq.ft., 0.18+/- Acres</b> Located across from the golf course. 5 beds plus office plus loft.Tile entry w/ medallion, high ceilings, granite kitchen countertops. Highly upgraded. <b>Joe Frazzano 925.735.7653</b></p>	<p><b>1578 BUENA VISTA AVE</b> LIVERMORE MINUTES TO DOWNTOWN \$449,900</p> <p><b>3 Bd 2 Ba • 1,705+/- sq.ft., 0.50+/- Acres</b> Perfect Size Country Property in Alameda Co. This house has no immediate rear neighbors and backs to Open Space &amp; Vineyards. <b>Tom E. Chance 925.487.6360</b></p>	<p><b>636 SYCAMORE CT</b> AMBER RIDGE, LIVERMORE R/V ACCESS \$649,000</p> <p><b>4 Bd 2.5 Ba • 2,553+/- sq.ft., 0.21+/- Acres</b> Popular Sagewood Flr Plan. Extremely well kept home, hrdwood flrs, granite counters, beautiful landscaping, huge sideyard access &amp; much more! <b>Corey Green 925.899.6011</b></p>	<p><b>724 TENNYSON DR</b> ESTATES COLLECTION, LIVERMORE POOL/ SIDE YARD ACCESS \$659,000</p> <p><b>4 Bd 2.5 Ba • 2,223+/- sq.ft., 0.23+/- Acres</b> Newly Remolded Pulte Home. Lrg Bonus Rm. Gourmet Kitchen with SS appl., Braz. Cherry Flrs, Crwn Moldg. Large lot w/ sport pool &amp; side yrd access. <b>Corey Green 925.899.6011</b></p>	<p><b>979 HOLLICE LANE</b> LIVERMORE CORPORATE OWNED \$405,900</p> <p><b>3 Bd 2.5 Ba • 1,723+/- sq.ft., 0.13+/- Acres</b> Open eat in kitchen. Master w/dual sinks &amp; large soaking tub. Stunning hardwood flring, vaulted ceilings &amp; wood burning fp. Lovely covered patio. <b>Stephanie Fordham 925.788.4443</b></p>
<p><b>5146 S FORESTDALE CIR</b> DUBLIN NO REAR NEIGHBORS \$789,900</p> <p><b>5 Bd 3 Ba • 2,661+/- sq.ft., 0.10+/- Acres</b> Upgrades throughout, 5th room currently used as office, plus it has an open loft/bonus room, over \$120k in upgrades, mountain views. <b>Lisa Doyle 925.855.4000</b></p>	<p><b>6965 S FORESTDALE CIR</b> DUBLIN RANCH STYLE \$499,000</p> <p><b>4 Bd 2 Ba • 1,638+/- sq.ft., 0.12+/- Acres</b> Charming, remodeled, open floor plan. Updated Kitchen w/ stainless steel appliances &amp; slate floors. Private rear yard w/ patio area some grass for play. <b>Dave Bauer 925.855.4040</b></p>	<p><b>34442 PALOMARES RD</b> CASTRO VALLEY 4.5+/- ACRES \$763,000</p> <p><b>2 Bd 2 Ba • 1,700+/- sq.ft., 4.50+/- Acres</b> LEVEL Land, clean and nice home. Great Investment for the savvy Buyer. Location-Location, Perfect family property and or small business. <b>Kristy and Company 925.251.2536</b></p>	<p><b>639 DUNHILL DR</b> TASSAJARA RANCH, DANVILLE OPEN SUN 1:30-4:30 \$899,950</p> <p><b>5 Bd 3 Ba • 3,044+/- sq.ft., 0.26+/- Acres</b> Beautiful Interior Loaded w/ Upgrades. Backs to open space. 3 car garage w/ work bench &amp; storage cabinets. Community Jr. Olympic Pool &amp; more! <b>Kelly Patterson 925.200.2525</b></p>	<p><b>39551 BENAVENTE AVE</b> KIMBER PARK, FREMONT MISSION SAN JOSE \$1,099,000</p> <p><b>5 Bd 3 Ba • 2,566+/- sq.ft., 0.20+/- Acres</b> Award winning Mission Schools. New granite kitchen counters &amp; S/S appliances. Brazilian Cherry hardwood floors in kitchen and family room. <b>Todd E. Martinez 925.251.2571</b></p>

<b>Blackhawk East</b> 4105 Blackhawk Plaza Cir. Danville, CA 94506 925.648.5300	<b>Blackhawk West</b> 3880 Blackhawk Rd. Danville, CA 94506 925.736.6000	<b>Danville</b> 15 Railroad Ave. Danville, CA 94526 925.855.4000	<b>Lafayette</b> 3799 Mt. Diablo Blvd. Lafayette, CA 94549 925.385.2330	<b>Livermore</b> 1983 Second St. Livermore, CA 94550 925.667.2100	<b>Montclair/Piedmont</b> 6116 La Salle Ave., Ste. 200 Oakland, CA 94611 510.339.4800	<b>Pleasanton</b> 5075 Hopyard Rd Ste. 110 Pleasanton, CA 94588 925.251.2500	<b>Orinda</b> 89 Davis Rd., Orinda, CA 94563 925.253.7000	<b>Walnut Creek</b> 1700 N. Main St. Walnut Creek, CA 94596 925.280.8500
--	---	---	--	--	--	---	--	---

# Visit these homes and other BHG listings during our **MEGA Open House Event!!!**

**PLEASANTON | 6111 Johnson Court #110 | 925.463.9500 | www.bhghome.com/pleasantonhopyard**

**Open Sat & Sun 1-4**



**Adam Golden**

**4405 Roscommon Way - DUBLIN - \$695,000**  
Fantastic 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home located in the heart of East Dublin. Corner Lot that is minutes from Emerald Glen Park.

**Open Sat & Sun 1-4**



**Gina Piper**

**5748 Belleza Dr. - Pleasanton-\$399,950**  
Beautifully upgraded unit with remodeled gourmet kitchen w/ granite & SS appliances, new UV coated dual pane windows, custom remote controlled blinds. Spacious living room with gas log fireplace and ceiling fan. Upgraded hall bath. Light and bright end unit.

**Open Sat & Sun 1-4**



**Rosie Yandell**

**116 Center Ct. - Danville - \$729,000**  
Gorgeous view of mt. Diablo from master bedroom. Highly upgraded with travertine floors downstairs, quality carpet upstairs, upstairs laundry, walking distance to shops, parks, etc.

**Open Sat & Sun 1-4**



**Chris Kamali & Gina Piper**

**6887 HERRIN CT - PLEASANTON - \$479,900**  
Bank Owned - Not A Short Sale! Remodeled Pleasanton Home With Updated Kitchen and Baths! Tile counters, Laminate HW Floors, Fire-place in Family Room, End Of A Court Location! It's A Great Time To Buy!

**Open Sat & Sun 1-4**



**Rosie Yandell**

**458 VINEYARD PL-PLEASANTON - \$499,000**  
Terrific single story with neutral decor, beautifully updated kitchen and baths and a wonderful backyard. Formal living room and separate family room make this a great floorplan. This is not a short sale or reo. Quick close possible.

**Open Sat & Sun 1-4**



**Rosie Yandell**

**2416 Stanton Hill- Castro Valley- \$449,000**  
Possible in-law retreat with separate entrance--great location near hospital-- view. Wood floors, large kitchen--fresh paint. Not an reo or short sale.

**Open Sat & Sun 1-4**



**Claudia Colwell**

**7370 Hillsdale Dr. - PLEASANTON - \$745,000**  
Recently updated single story in great neighborhood. Features open floorplan: kitchen with granite cntrs., walk in pantry and dual ovens. Baths totally remodeled w/top of the line features, including granite, limestone and marble. Master with built ins, wainscoating and crown molding. Backs to park

**Open Sat & Sun 1-4**



**The Mia Teetsel Team**

**4766 Fawn Way- Dublin-\$639,000**  
Beautiful 5 bedroom home with lovely upgrades. One bedroom and bath downstairs. Walking distance to award winning school and shopping, movie theatre. Meticulously maintained a must see!



**Dublin** An easy walk to the park: Great 3 BR/2 BA home in a family oriented neighborhood. Bright/light bonus room with free-standing fireplace. Updated baths and kitchen with high quality appliances. Relax in your large, private backyard with rose bushes and fruit tree or head for the tennis courts/park! Need we say more? **\$395,000 Open Sat/Sun 1-4**



**Union City** Family friendly home: Appealing 4 BR/2.5 BA, end unit townhouse. Home is pleasingly placed next to a wooded park and playground. At the end of a long day, you will want to take an invigorating dip in the community pool. This is the largest model in the complex. Stop by! **\$270,000**



**Concord** Approved Short Sale: A white picket fence embraces the entrance to this lovely 3 BR/2 BA home. Great starter home with a brick fireplace for extra warmth, or for roasting marshmallows on brisk wintery nights. Home boasts a large backyard with a redwood deck that has a view of children's play area. Convenient to shops and freeway access! Wow! **\$200,000**



**San Ramon** Breathtaking view: Charming single level, first floor condominium. Home is located in a gated community with 2 BR/2 BA and approx. 914 sq. ft., fireplace and hardwood flooring. There is an inviting community pool, clubhouse and spa for you to enjoy. Resort living at home! **\$259,000 Open Sat/Sun 1-4**



**Pleasanton** A touch of class: Relax and take a stroll on Saturday morning to downtown Pleasanton from this stylish 3 BR/2.5 BA beauty. Enjoy fruits and veggies from the "Farmers Market" as you leisurely return home. Take a nap in your cozy family room, or prepare lunch in the updated kitchen with granite countertops/ss appl/tile flooring. **\$587,888 Open Sat/Sun 10-5**



**Livermore** Did someone say comfy? This 3 BR/2 BA home is gracious and fully appointed with everything a family needs for comfortable living. Including an open floor plan with a kitchen/family room combo. There is a lovely backyard with fruit trees and large side yard! **\$389,000**

# COLDWELL BANKER

presents

californiamoves.com



**DUBLIN**  
**8342 CYPRESS CT**  
**GREAT HOME!** **\$358,924**  
 4 BR 2 BA Great opportunity to own this home in Dublin-Separate Liv/Fam Rms, Eat-in Kit, 2 car garage 925.847.2200



**PLEASANTON**  
**Open SUN 1 - 4** **3116 DEVEREUX COURT**  
**BEAUTIFUL EXPANDED** **\$1,349,000**  
 5 BR 3.5 BA 1 bdrm is bonus rm w/clset,kit w/grnite/custom bcksplsh,hrdwd flrs,lrg yrd w/BBQ/hot tub 925.847.2200



**PLEASANTON**  
**Open SUN 1 - 4** **4386 KRAUSE STREET**  
**BEAUTIFUL!** **\$579,000**  
 3 BR 2.5 BA many upgrades! Dual pane windows, private backyard with patio and fountain 925.847.2200



**SAN RAMON**  
**Open SAT/SUN 12 - 4** **145 COPPER RIDGE RD.**  
**CONDOS/TOWNHOUSES AVAIL PRICES START IN HIGH \$200'S**  
 1 & 2 bd condos/2 bd townhouses,vaulted ceilings avail,w/garages,gated,renovated/upgraded 925.847.2200

**DANVILLE**  
**6975 JOHNSTON ROAD**  
**PRICE REDUCED!** **\$1,697,000**  
 4 BR 3 BA 19+ acres,living w/stone/travertine frplc,9 stall barn covered indoor arena & MUCH more! 925.847.2200

**DUBLIN**  
**5835 SIGNAL HILL DR**  
**ENCHANTING IS THE WORD** **\$1,060,800**  
 6 BR 4.5 BA Experience a charmed lifestyle in this magnificent 6BR/4+BA stucco Contempo. Office. 925-200-3600

**LIVERMORE**  
**2514 MERLOT LANE**  
**STELLAR STUCCO CONTEMPO** **\$875,000**  
 5 BR 3.5 BA Investigate the style and elegance of this tile-roofed 5BR/3+BA residence. 3 fire-

places. 925.847.2200  
**911 CURLEW ROAD**  
**LIGHT,BRIGHT,BEAUTIFUL** **\$575,000**  
 4 BR 3 BA new carpet,large kit/family room combination with slab granite counters & newer appliances 925-519-0508

**1866 CORTE CAVA**  
**OPEN AND BRIGHT!** **\$375,000**  
 3 BR 3 BA 1 bedroom and 1 bath downstairs and much more! 925.847.2200

**21800 MINES RD**  
**INVITING & EXCITING** **\$299,900**  
 2 BR 2 BA A great move-up in secluded serenity. Relax and enjoy life in this 2BR/2BA Cabin. 925.847.2200

**Open SAT/SUN 1 - 4** **711 SUNDIAL CIRCLE**  
**SEE ITS QUALITY EXTRAS** **\$21,900**  
 2 BR 1 BA mobile hm,large eat in kitchen,central

heat/AC,very good carpet/paint,friendly lifestyle!  
 925.847.2200

**PLEASANTON**  
**14 CASTLEDOWN ROAD**  
**SPANISH HACIENDA HOME** **\$1,249,950**  
 4 BR 2.5 BA Large 1/2 acre parcel! Beautiful 40 ft pool! large remodeled kitchen & so much more! 925.847.2200

**4007 PEREGRINE WAY**  
**HIGHLY UPGRADED** **\$489,900**  
 2 BR 2 BA remodeled single family home. Across from Orloff Prk. 2-car garage,private patio in back 925-699-3884

**3263 VINEYARD AVE., UNIT 54**  
**SELLER WILL FINANCE!** **\$5,000**  
 1 BR 1 BA covered driveway,great loc in prk,comm center has pool,spa,libraryMo space rent,\$875 925.847.2200

**SAN RAMON**  
**2532 SHADOW MOUNTAIN COURT**  
**BEAUTIFUL AND QUIET!** **\$579,999**  
 3 BR 2 BA whole house remodeled in last 6/7 years including kit,bth bths,wd flrs thruout,nice master 925.847.2200

**2452 MILLSTREAM LN**  
**APPEALING STYLING!** **\$571,200**  
 4 BR 3 BA 1 bd dwn,kit w/maple cabs,grnite countrs,SS appli,hrdwd flrs,tile in bths,end unit near prk 925-200-3600

"If you are a licensed realtor interested in joining our real estate office please contact Will Butler, Manager at 925.847.2257. We look forward to welcoming you to Coldwell Banker!"



Pleasanton 925.847.2200 | 5980 Stoneridge Drive, Ste. 122



©2010 Coldwell Banker Real Estate LLC. All Rights Reserved. Coldwell Banker® is a registered trademark licensed to Coldwell Banker Real Estate LLC. An Equal Opportunity Company. Equal Housing Opportunity. Each Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage Office Is Owned And Operated by NRT LLC. DRE License # 00313415

**1226 SHADY POND LN. PLEASANTON**  
 LOCATED IN PHEASANT RIDGE



6 BD 6 BA 5,096sf. on a 15,712sf. lot. Amazing private backyard! Huge gourmet kitchen, hardwood throughout. Guest suite w/ full bath on main level.  
**\$1,649,000**

**3088 CRESTABLANCA DR. PLEASANTON**  
 LOCATED IN VINTAGE HEIGHTS



4 BD 3 BA 2,788sf. on a 10,462sf. lot. Bedroom and full bathroom downstairs. 3 car garage, hardwood flooring, custom built.  
**\$1,030,000**

**3265 NORTHAMPTON CT. PLEASANTON**  
 LOCATED IN PLEASANTON MEADOWS



5 BD 3 BA 2,441sf. on a 6,937sf. lot. Great location with side yard access. Bedroom and full bath on main level. Open floor plan.  
**\$690,000**

**5190 GENOVESIO DR. PLEASANTON**  
 LOCATED IN VALENCIA

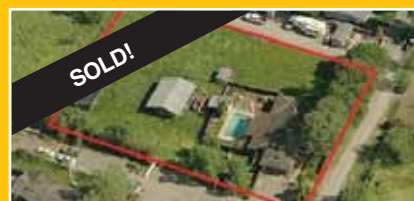


4 BD 2.5 BA 1,770sf. on a 5,796sf. lot. Largest yard in neighborhood! Close to community pool. Tile flooring downstairs, granite counters, HUGE backyard.  
**\$680,000**

**2170 FOXSWALLOW RD. PLEASANTON**  
 LOCATED IN BIRDLAND



5 BD 3 BA 2,560sf. on 8,030sf. lot. Updated top to bottom, bed & bath on main level. Picture perfect backyard.  
**\$875,000**



**910 E MOCKINGBIRD LN. PLEASANTON**  
 LOCATED IN HAPPY VALLEY

1.2 acre lot with existing structures - buildable lot. Single level home 1,937sf. 3 BD 2.5 BA. Barn, workshops, chicken coop!...Endless opportunities.  
**\$950,000**

## BUYERS NEEDS

- Single level, central location, 2,000+/-sf., \$700k
- Single level, 3BD, newer, \$650k

**MOXLEY**  
 REAL ESTATE TEAM



**KRIS MOXLEY**  
**TYLER MOXLEY**

**925.600.0990**  
**MOXLEYTEAM.COM**

**4 GENERATIONS OF**  
**REAL ESTATE**  
**SERVICE AND EXPERIENCE**

**ALAIN PINEL**  
 REALTORS

DRE #00790463, 01412130



# The latest from The 680 Blog

## Pleasanton Market Update – Seasonal Lull in December

Inventory and pending sales both fell again in December in Pleasanton, as is expected during the holiday season. Inventory fell for the fourth consecutive month and pending sales fell for the third. As can be seen in the chart, pending sales in December were at exactly the same level as they were in December of 2009, while inventory was higher. Inventory and pending sales fell in all market segments but the biggest percentage decline was in the inventory of homes priced over \$2 million.

The inventory of single family detached homes fell by 28 at the end of December to 130, a 14% drop from November's end-of-month inventory of 158 homes. Pending sales fell from 33 in November to 26 in December, a 22% decline. Inventory relative to pending sales was little changed at 4.1 months, compared to 4.0 months at the end of November.

Homes priced under \$1 million made up 64% of Pleasanton's inventory at the end of December and 81% of pending sales, close to November's mix of 61% and 83% respectively. Inventory in this segment stood at 83 homes, a 14% decline from November's 96. Pending sales fell 21%, from

33 in November to 26 in December. Inventory relative to pending sales fell a little, from 2.9 months at the end of November to 3.2 months at the end of December. There were seven less homes in the \$1 million - \$2 million segment at the end of December than at the end of November, a 15% decline. Pending sales were off by only one; six in November and five in December. Inventory relative to pending sales stood at 3.2 months, a 15% decline. Pending sales were off by only one; six in November and five in December. Inventory relative to pending sales stood at 3.2 months, a 15% decline. Pending sales were off by only one; six in November and five in December. Inventory relative to pending sales stood at 3.2 months, a 15% decline.

There were seven less homes in the \$1 million - \$2 million segment at the end of December than at the end of November, a 15% decline. Pending sales were off by only one; six in November and five in December. Inventory relative to pending sales stood at 3.2 months, a 15% decline. Pending sales were off by only one; six in November and five in December. Inventory relative to pending sales stood at 3.2 months, a 15% decline.



**Doug Buenz**

Office  
925.251.1111  
Direct  
925.463.2000

680Homes.com

CA DRE# 00843458

**High Performance Real Estate**



**Go to 680Homes.com for more information on these homes and other properties.**



**JUST LISTED!**

Fabulous single story 4 BR, 3 BTH home on an incredible private .90 acre wooded flat lot with gate. Gourmet kit with island, huge master suite & more!  
**\$1,299,000**



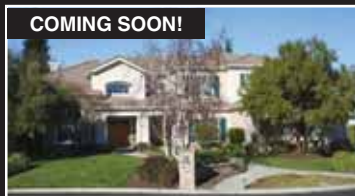
**OPEN SUN 1-4**

Better than New! Fabulous remodeled 4 BR, 2 1/2 BTH charmer with hardwood floors, gourmet granite & stainless kitchen, new roof, sparkling pool, and large private 10k lot!  
**\$799,000**



**COMING SOON!**

Fabulous upgraded South Livermore home with 4 BR plus office, 3 1/2 BTHS, granite kitchen, hardwood floors, new designer carpeting, and quite cul-de-sac location with spa!  
**\$789,000**



**COMING SOON!**

Prime Laguna Oaks luxury home with 5 BR plus office, 3 1/2 BTHS, 4 car garage, granite kitchen, 3 fireplaces, and .30 Acre flat cul-de-sac lot with sparkling pool, spa, and outdoor kitchen!  
**\$1,439,000**



**GOLDEN EAGLE!**

Elegant Golden Eagle custom home with 4 BR plus office, 3 1/2 BTH, new cherry & granite kit, plantation shutters, and incredible .42 acre flat lot!  
**\$1,450,000**



**JUST SOLD!**

Pristine single story 4 BR, 2 1/2 BTH, home with upgraded kitchen, designer carpeting, remodeled master bath with extensive stone, new windows, and 1/3 Acre lot with pool!  
**\$822,500**

april.com | PLEASANTON | 900 Main Street 925.251.1111



**BLAISE LOFLAND**



**925.846.6500**  
www.blaiselofland.com  
blaise@blaiselofland.com  
DRE# 00882113  
april.com

### GOLDEN EAGLE ESTATES LOT



**JUST LISTED**



**8019 GOLDEN EAGLE WAY, PLEASANTON**

Beautiful large premium 1.08 acre lot in desirable Golden Eagle Estates gated community. Panoramic views! One of a couple of remaining lots. Build your own dream home or plans are approved and ready to start for a 6300 sq ft. 5 bedroom, 6 bathroom home with 4 car garage, plans available for custom rock sculpted pool with waterslide and waterfall, pool cabana and custom outdoor kitchen with pizza oven, outdoor shower. Community amenities include: pool, tennis courts and access to Augustin Bernal Park. Located adjacent to Castlewood Country Club. Five minutes from charming downtown Pleasanton. **OFFERED AT \$1,000,000**

### KOTTINGER RANCH



**PENDING**

**1327 HEARST DRIVE, PLEASANTON**

Great location! Beautiful semi-custom home on .40 acre lot. Expansive deck with panoramic views! Private rear grounds. Five bedrooms, 4.5 bathrooms, 4,026 square feet. Upgraded gourmet kitchen with granite countertops, newer paint & carpeting, extensive hardwood floors. Expansive master suite. Community pool, park, tennis courts and open space. Walk to Main Street and award winning schools! **OFFERED AT \$1,195,000**

### GREY EAGLE ESTATES



**SOLD REPRESENTED BUYER**

**27 GREY EAGLE ESTATE, PLEASANTON**

Secluded 5904 sq ft. custom home on premium 5.3 acre estate in desirable, gated Grey Eagle Estates. Panoramic Views of the valley and Mt. Diablo. Five bedrooms, plus bonus room, office, 2nd office/hobby room, 3.5 bathrooms. Four car garage. Beautiful grounds include private vineyard, In-ground pool and spa. **SOLD FOR \$1,900,000**

### PLEASANTON SEMI-CUSTOM



**SOLD**

**4150 CREEKWOOD COURT, PLEASANTON**

Don't miss this private, Pleasanton home on premium 1/2 acre lot. Large multimedia/game room, upgraded kitchen and bathrooms with granite. Five bedrooms, three full bathrooms, hardwood floors, two fireplaces, three car garage, 4,002 square feet. Large secluded park-like rear yard includes expansive Trex deck, in-ground pool, Hot Springs grande covered spa, waterfall/pond, playhouse, zip line, large lawn area, mature redwood trees and large cemented side yard area. Walk to great schools & neighborhood parks. **SOLD FOR \$1,120,000**

### NEW CUSTOM SINGLE LEVEL



**SOLD**

**1588 FOOTHILL ROAD, PLEASANTON**

New custom single level home on private country lane off of Foothill Road. This private half acre lot is located adjacent to Golden Eagle with ridge views. Four bedrooms, bonus room/guest quarters, home theater room, private office, lockable 400 bottle wine cellar, 4.5 bathrooms, 4762 sq. ft. Gourmet kitchen with granite slab countertops, top of the line appliances. Oversized three car garage (4th car option). In-ground pool, detached permitted room (office/workout room) seller to credit buyer for brand new landscaping. Near Castlewood Country Club. **SOLD FOR \$1,625,000**

### LOS OLIVOS



**SOLD**

**2951 PICHOLINE COURT, LIVERMORE**

Beautiful, highly upgraded Los Olivos home on professionally landscaped private .25 acre lot. Don't miss it! Five bedrooms (bonus room 5th), 3.5 bathrooms, plus detached studio/guest quarters (1 bed/1 bath). Approximately 3889 sq. ft. Gourmet kitchen with custom cabinets, granite slab countertops and stainless steel appliances. Highly upgraded spacious master suite with granite. Beautiful grounds include large private patio, spacious lawn area, garden/play set area, and atrium/side patio. Views of surrounding hills. Minutes to quality golf courses and Livermore Valley wineries. **SOLD FOR \$950,000**

### VINSANTO



**SOLD**

**2845 VINE COURT, LIVERMORE**

Beautiful highly upgraded home in excellent condition. Panoramic views of vineyards and surrounding hills. Five bedrooms (4th is private office, 5th in guest house/casita), four bathrooms (4th in casita). Approximate total square footage 3,553. Upgraded kitchen with granite countertop & backsplash, two fireplaces, plantation shutters throughout, three car garage. Private gate & rear grounds include separate guest house/casita, expansive exposed aggregate patio, lawn area, fruit trees and vineyards. No backyard neighbors. Close to wineries & golf courses. **SOLD FOR \$809,000**

PLEASANTON 900 Main Street





Go to **open.apr.com** for the Bay Area's only complete online open home guide.



**ALAIN PINEL**  
REALTORS

PRESENTING THE PROPERTIES OF OUR *Pleasanton & Livermore* OFFICES...

MARK LAFFERTY BY APPT



**DANVILLE \$759,950**  
This property is absolutely beautiful. Features include 4 spacious bd, 3 updated baths, granite counter tops, stainless steel appliances. 328 FONTAINE DR

BRAD SLABAUGH SAT&SUN 1:00-4:00



**PLEASANTON \$865,000**  
Rare find! Huge private .34 acre lot that backs to Kottinger Park/Trail. Well maintained & updated throughout, incl kitchen w/island 627 ROWELL LN

MARK JAMES MON 1:00-4:00



**PLEASANTON \$1,189,000**  
Gorgeous custom home with loads of upgrades. Shows like a model. Far too many amenities to list. Quiet Street and low maintenance yard. 317 DIAMOND CT

SUSIE STEELE BY APPT



**PLEASANTON \$1,049,000**  
Stunning one story custom rebuild in Castlewood Country Club! 4 bd, 3.5 ba, an office on a half acre with a pool. A true masterpiece. 10 CASTLEWOOD DR

DAN GAMACHE, JR. BY APPT



**PLEASANTON \$997,000**  
Beautiful "Walnut Hills" home! Looks and feels brand new! 3bd,3ba home with a 1 bd, 1ba in law unit. Open floor plan, great opportunity! 1323 VALLEY AVE

ANNI HAGFELDT BY APPT



**PLEASANTON \$854,000**  
This 5bd/3ba home offers hardwood floors, granite counter tops in Kitchen, new carpet and much more, close to sports park. 5023 BLACKBIRD WAY

DAN GAMACHE, JR. BY APPT



**PLEASANTON \$849,950**  
Semi custom 4bd,2.5ba, beautiful new Brazilian hardwood floors. Large kitchen overlooking 10K +/-sf lot. This home has it all! Must See! 3625 BERNAL AVE

JULIA MURTAGH TUE 10:00AM-1:00



**PLEASANTON \$699,000**  
"Windsor" neighborhood, largest model, 4bd/3ba, stunning hardwood floors, upgraded kitchen. Won't last long. 2474 TAPESTRY WAY

DAN GAMACHE, JR. BY APPT



**PLEASANTON \$679,950**  
4bd/3ba, large open floor plan that has a great use of space. Many new upgrades, roof, dual pane windows, bathrooms, and carpet. 4595 GATETREE CIR

DAN GAMACHE, JR. BY APPT



**PLEASANTON \$549,000**  
Charming 3bd/2ba, 1520+/-sf, open floor plan, side yard access, pool, spa. Great location in "Easy Street" neighborhood! 5667 HANSEN DR



## How Deep Do Those Roots Go?

The deeper the roots, the more stable and resilient the tree. In real estate, the deeper the roots in the community, the better the service that a company can provide.

Which explains why Alain Pinel Realtors enjoys a leadership position in Bay Area real estate. APR has the most experienced agents and managers in the business. We were born here. We live here. We love it here. Let our success in Bay Area real estate help you too.

View APR Exclusives at [apr.com](http://apr.com) and see what our experience can do for you.



**Don Faught**  
Vice President  
Managing Broker  
Pleasanton and Livermore  
[dfaught@apr.com](mailto:dfaught@apr.com)



# Quality care is right around the corner.

**It's easy for you to fit us in—choose a John Muir Health primary care doctor today.**

Your day is chock-full but you need to see a doctor in between the grocery shopping, the bank, picking up one kid and dropping off another. Make it easy on yourself and choose a John Muir Health primary care doctor. You and your family will experience high quality care where and when you need it. Just ask the 9 out of 10 people who would recommend their own John Muir Health doctor. Our many locations make it easy to fit us in. And our 4 Urgent Care Centers offer extended hours on weeknights plus weekend hours for anything unexpected. So choose a location near you—and cross “finding a doctor” off your list.



**JOHN MUIR**  
HEALTH

[johnmuirhealth.com](http://johnmuirhealth.com)  
925-952-2887