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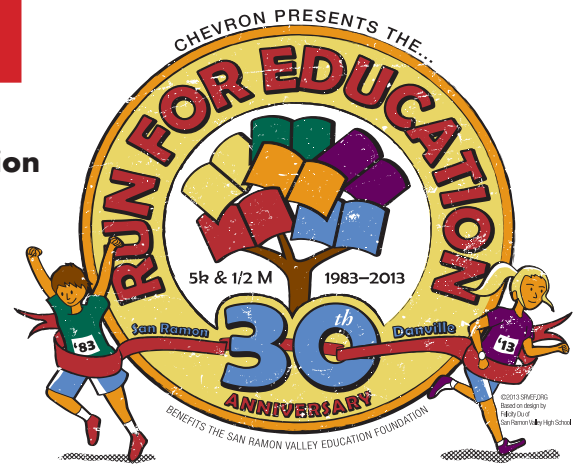
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AROUND PLEASANTON



By JEB BING

Sensiba a boost for ValleyCare

With Obamacare changes coming next year along with reductions in what Medicare and private health insurance carriers will pay doctors and hospitals, the election of financial expert John Sensiba as chairman of the ValleyCare Health System board of directors bodes well for Pleasanton's local hospital. Sensiba, who is managing partner of the regional accounting firm of Sensiba San Filippo LLP, was on ValleyCare's board for four years before being named chairman at the health system's annual meeting last month.



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John Sensiba, managing partner of Sensiba San Filippo LLP, has been elected to ValleyCare Health System's Board of Directors.

Jan. 1 and presents challenges to ValleyCare as a major regional health care system and also to those who sit on its board of directors, which is responsible for the strategic planning that guides the organization. While Feit and her team handle the day-to-day operations at ValleyCare, the board handles all matters of quality, credentialing, approving hospital privileges for physicians and establishing and supporting the strategic direction of ValleyCare.

In one area particularly, Sensiba has seen the duties of board members doubling many times over in just keeping up with regulatory changes that affect hospital operations. In this rapidly changing regulatory environment, board members — all unpaid volunteers — become the ones responsible for keeping ValleyCare ahead of the pack as Kaiser, San Ramon Regional Medical Center and the Palo Alto Medical Foundation vie for patients and financial support from the Tri-Valley community.

That keeps Sensiba on the speaking circuit talking more frequently about the benefits of ValleyCare along with his "day job" of meeting across the region with clients who also are facing tighter government scrutiny and regulations. Sometimes, Sensiba thinks that some in Pleasanton and the ValleyCare marketing area take the hospital for granted. Just like the public library or police station or post office, they expect the hospital to always be here.

That's Sensiba's and ValleyCare's goal, but it also takes millions of dollars a year to keep ValleyCare operating as a premiere health care institution, one that, Sensiba insists, the people who live here must keep supporting both by using its services when needed and also contributing through the various fundraising drives ValleyCare initiates. ■

About the Cover

The McBride Irish Dancers will perform this weekend at the 148th Annual Scottish Highland Gathering and Games at the Alameda County Fairgrounds. Other events include pipe band performances, athletic competitions and Highland dancing, as well as an Irish Pavilion featuring vendors and Irish dancers. Photo by Cammie Clark.

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Streetwise

ASKED AROUND TOWN

What was the highlight of your summer?



Jacqueline Gracie
Computer sales consultant

The highlight of my summer was being transferred temporarily from the Apple Store in Walnut Creek to the Apple Store in the Stoneridge Mall. I really enjoyed working in the mall because the customers there all came from so many different walks of life and were so interesting to talk to. I learned so much from them.

Nate Montalvo
Food preparation/service

The best part of my summer was celebrating my baby daughter's first birthday. Family came from all over the place to join us for this big celebration. Having the family come together like that for such a happy occasion was the greatest gift in the world.



Linda Harmeson
Computer support services

Well, I really enjoyed going to Philadelphia for my nephew's wedding. The weather did not cooperate, but it didn't matter. It was just wonderful to travel across the country and spend time with family for such a milestone event.

Brittany Martinez
Cashier

I had the best time putting together a girls' night for a bunch of old friends. It gets harder and harder to connect as we get busier with our own lives, but we managed to all get together for a wonderful, girls-only evening, where we had a chance to just relax, hang out, catch up with one another, play board games and talk.



Nima Soleimany
Produce purchaser

The highlight of my summer was a roadtrip through Canada in my convertible. I met so many great Canadians along the way, especially on Canada Day. I also met lots of great Americans during my travels, and drove through so many beautiful areas of North America.

—Compiled by Nancy, Jenny and Katie Lyness

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

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A night of Southern rock and blues

Paul Thorn is headed to the Firehouse Arts Center on Friday, Sept. 13, promising a night of Southern-influenced, rootsy rock and blues music.

Thorn's music has been praised by some great American performers including Bonnie Raitt, Kris Kristofferson and Huey Lewis. His concerts have been described as "like taking a 6-pack to church."

Born in Tupelo, MS — Elvis Presley's birthplace — Thorn is son of a Pentecostal minister and nephew of a former pimp. He's wandered back roads, jumped out of airplanes, worked in a furniture factory and was a professional boxer who made headlines when he battled four-time world champion Roberto Duran.

The show starts at 8 p.m. and tickets are available online at www.firehousearts.org, by calling 931-4848 and in person at the Firehouse Arts Center Box Office, 4444 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton.

Hire a hero

Veterans and employers looking to hire them will have an opportunity to come together later this month at a job and resource fair held at Las Positas College.

The event is sponsored by the California Employment Development Department and runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 27 at the college, 3000 Campus Hill Drive, Livermore.

The free Honor a Hero, Hire a Vet job fairs assist military personnel, including National Guard members and reservists returning from active duty, with finding a job.

Government agencies and community organizations also will be on hand to provide information on employment, benefits, training, education, apprenticeships and other veteran services.

For more information, contact Barry Duffy at 510-622-4344.

Get Bach

Prize-winning pianist and Amador Valley High School graduate Connie Chen will present a concert featuring some of the works of Bach, Beethoven, Chopin and Prokofiev, including the prelude and fugue from Bach's popular "Well-Tempered Clavier."

The performance will be from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Sept. 7 at Asbury United Methodist Church, 4743 East Ave., Livermore.

Chen has won top prizes and given performances in California, Florida and Austria; this summer she was inducted into the Young Artist Guild of the Music Teachers Association of California.

For more information, contact Anne Coll at 443-2514 or email accoll@comcast.net.

Transit agencies beef up service while Bay Bridge closed

BART trains running around the clock through Monday

By JEB BING

Bay Area transit agencies have beefed up service while the Bay Bridge is closed over Labor Day weekend but also want people to be prepared and research all their travel options during the closure.

"We encourage everyone to plan ahead and allow more time to get where they need to go," Bay Bridge spokesman Andrew Gordon said.

BART spokesman Jim Allison urged the public to do a little research ahead of time so no one has to wait in line to buy tickets. He said BART expects very busy ridership while the bridge is closed, especially today, Friday.

Caltrans has closed the bridge in both directions to complete additional work that must be finished

before the new eastern span can be opened to the driving public. Caltrans tentatively is planning to re-open the bridge at 5 a.m. Tuesday but there's a chance it could re-open before then if the work is completed early.

However, Gordon said Caltrans cannot promise that the span will open early, saying, "The bridge will open when it's ready."

Allison said BART is trying to fill part of the gap caused by the bridge closure by running longer trains today and having 24-hour service at 14 stations.

However, BART won't provide overnight service from Monday night into Tuesday morning be-



ARIAL PHOTO BY MIKE SEDLAK

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JAY FLACHSBARTH

Seahawks' swimmer Jia Perry competes in the boys Individual Medley meet at Dolores Bengtson Aquatic Center in Pleasanton.

Pleasanton Aquatic Center partly re-opens tomorrow

Some swim programs to resume while construction work continues

By DOLORES CIARDELLI

Lap swimming and water exercise programs will resume tomorrow at the Dolores Bengtson Aquatic Center in Pleasanton while work continues on major upgrading and renovations at the rest of the complex.

The aquatic center remains closed today, the fifth day all swimming activities have been canceled because of the year-long project.

The major renovations, which are ex-

pected to be completed early next month, include redesigning the 25-meter pool into an "L" shape to include the diving pool; replastering two pools and giving them ADA access; deepening the 25-meter pool for future and potential competitive use; and installing new plumbing, heating, electrical and filtration systems at both pools.

For more information, visit www.PleasantonAquaticCenter.com ■

Plan for houses, apartments goes to Council Tuesday

If approved, city's rush to meet court-ordered high density housing will be over

The Pleasanton City Council will consider a developers plan Tuesday to build nine three-story-high apartment buildings and 97 single family houses just south of the Gateway Shopping Center at Bernal and Valley avenues near I-680.

Scott Trobbe of South Bay Development won the approval of the city's Planning Commission for the project earlier this month.

If also approved by the council, as expected, THE Pleasanton Gateway housing project will cap a series of favorable high-density housing development decisions over recent months. Together, the projects will meet the requirements set forth by an Alameda County Superior Court judge in response to a suit by an Oakland-based affordable housing coalition, which had the support of Gov. Jerry Brown and the state's housing authority.

Trobbe's firm has owned the entire 37-acre site since 2000. At one time, South Bay had approval to build eight four- and five-story office buildings on the property, but that plan was shelved when the need for more office space collapsed 10 years ago.

South Bay later sold part of its property to Safeway Corp., which built the new Safeway Lifestyle supermarket and developed the center that now houses retail and service stores, including a gas station, Starbucks, CVS pharmacy and two banks.

Trobbe said his new development calls for construction of 210 apartment units in nine, 18-unit and 24-unit three story tall buildings just over 43 feet high. In addition, 97 new homes will be built on the 27-acre site, which is sandwiched between Valley Avenue and the I-680 freeway.

The multi-story, high-density apartment buildings will include one-two-and three-bedroom apartments, each with a one car-garage. The buildings will be clustered around a core center with entrances off Valley Avenue, across from the 100-unit Kensington Apartments, and another from a roadway that runs alongside the south edge of the Gateway Center.

The project will include a leasing office building for the apartments, a recreation area that will include a building with a business center, conference facilities, gymnasium

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California home sales higher in July

Price gains continue strong but tapering

By JEB BING

California's housing market bounced back after a slight dip in June to reach the highest level since May 2012, as home prices continued to post strong annual gains and home sales recorded the first annual increase in six months.

The California Association of Realtors reported that the spike in interest rates in June prompted home buyers to delay escrow closings in hopes that rates would fall back.

"As buyers recognized rates had stabilized, they moved forward to close escrow, which lifted July's sales from both the previous month and year," said CAR President Don Faught of Alain Pinel Realty in Pleasanton.

Closed escrow sales of existing, single-family detached homes in California totaled a seasonally adjusted annualized rate of 443,520 units in July, according to information collected by CAR from more

than 90 local Realtor associations and MLSs statewide. Sales in July were up 7% from a revised 414,670 in June and up 1.5% from a revised 436,870 in July 2012.

The year-to-year sales increase was the first since December 2012, following six consecutive months of declines.

The statewide sales figure represents what would be the total number of homes sold during 2013 if sales maintained the July pace throughout the year. It is adjusted to account for seasonal factors that typically influence home sales.

The statewide median price of an existing, single-family detached home inched up 1.2% from June's median price of \$428,620 to \$433,760 in July. July's price was 29.8% higher than the revised \$334,220 recorded in July 2012, marking 17 straight months of annual price increases and the 13th consecutive month of double-digit annual gains. The me-

dian sales price is the point at which half of homes sold for more and half sold for less; it is influenced by the types of homes selling as well as a general change in values.

"A constrained supply of homes over the past year has fueled robust home price increases, particularly in the coastal regions," said CAR Vice President and Chief Economist Leslie Appleton-Young.

"Looking ahead, we should continue to see strong price growth but at a less accelerated pace than what we've experienced over the past year," she added. "Inventory levels are starting to build in some areas as price gains free up previously underwater homes and encourage homeowners reluctant to list because of the scarcity of homes to purchase."

Other key facts of CAR's July 2013 resale housing report include that the available supply of existing, single-family detached homes for sale held steady in July at 2.9 months,

unchanged from June's Unsold Inventory Index. The index was 3.5 months in July 2012. The index indicates the number of months needed to sell the supply of homes on the market at the current sales rate. A six- to seven-month supply is considered typical in a normal market.

Other factors included: The median number of days it took to sell a single-family home also held fairly steady at 27.8 days in July, compared to 27.7 days in June but was down from a revised 43.2 days in July 2012.

Mortgage rates ticked up in July, with the 30-year, fixed-mortgage interest rate averaging 4.37%, up from 4.07% in June 2013 and up from 3.55% in July 2012, according to Freddie Mac.

Adjustable-mortgage interest rates in July averaged 2.66%, up from 2.60 in June but down from 2.69% in July 2012. ■

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and a media center. Outdoor amenities will include a swimming pool and spa, barbecue and fire pit areas, a tot lot, cabanas, outdoor seating and a bocce ball court.

Of the 97 single-family homes planned for the site, 62 will be three-story tall homes with a maximum height of approximately 45 feet, and 35 will be two stories tall. The two-story homes will have four bedrooms, three-and-a-half bathrooms, two-car garages and range in size from 3,541 to 3,654 square feet.

The three-story buildings will have three bedrooms, and will range in size from 2,830 to 3,054 square feet.

Earlier this month, the council approved construction of a 345-unit upscale apartment complex across town at Bernal Avenue at Stanley Boulevard. That project will include a three-building retail center with a drug store and drive-through pharmacy.

Last year, BRE, a national affordable housing developer, won permits to build a total of 18 three- and four-story buildings on two separate sites in Hacienda Business Park that will have 500 rental units ranging in size from studio apartments to three-bedroom units. Work on the multi-million-dollar housing project is expected to start next year.

Last April, the council approved the construction of new multi-story, high-density apartment buildings and an adjoining retail center on a portion of the office building site at Rosewood and Owens drives, called California Center. That development will contain 305 apartments ranging in size from studios to three bedrooms.

In July, the council agreed to a plan by St. Anton Partners to build a 168-unit apartment complex at 5729 W. Las Positas Boulevard. That developer is in the process of requesting building permits and will likely be the first of the high density land developers to start construction.

The City Council meeting will start at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Pleasanton Civic Center, 200 Old Bernal Ave. ■

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Long-term Transbay traffic could exceed new bridge capacity by 2035-40

More people, more jobs making long-range planners nervous

By JEB BING

With the public ready to celebrate the re-opening of the Bay Bridge next Tuesday, long range planners are worried that there won't be sufficient Transbay capacity in just over 20 years.

Sarah Dennis-Phillips from the San Francisco Planning Department discussed the looming problem at a San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association forum last week.

She said that new jobs and housing growth in San Francisco and the East Bay will translate into more people commuting in and out of San Francisco.

"All new workers will not be living in the city," Dennis-Phillips said. "We have to find a way to get them here."

With 8,000 new homes and hundreds of thousands of square feet of retail space expected to be built on Treasure Island in the coming decades, she said there will be even more demand to get people into the city via car, public transit, bicycle, ferry or otherwise.

More people coming into and out of San Francisco during peak commute hours in the morning

and evening may lead to the Bay Bridge being unable to handle the heavier loads, said Anthony Bruzzone from Bay Area-based planning firm Arup.

The workforce in San Francisco, according to Bruzzone, consists of 40% who live in the city, 40% who come in from the East Bay, about 12% from the Peninsula and the remaining 8% from Marin County and the North Bay.

If that geographic breakdown continues into the coming decades, the capacity to carry people across the Bay will be strained, he said.

There are 190,000 new jobs expected in the city by the year 2040, which is a 30% increase from the current total, he said.

He said there are about 75,000 trips made into San Francisco on the Bay Bridge per day, with about half of those trips made during the morning commute.

By 2035, the capacity of the bridge — and other transbay options such as BART — is expected to exceed its limit, especially since there hasn't been added capacity to the "Bay corridor" since BART opened in 1974, Bruzzone said.

Before that, the Bay Bridge's

conversion into a two-deck bridge in 1963 was the last time more people were able to get across the water.

"We've been living off the investments of our grandparents," Bruzzone said.

Bruzzone said a redesign concept to consider on the Bay Bridge in the coming years is a "contra-flow configuration" which would allow certain lanes of traffic on the bridge to switch directions based on need and crowding.

This proposed system would purportedly help alleviate increasing congestion at the toll plaza from more and more cars that will inevitably be driving on the bridge once BART trains become too crowded, he said.

"At some point we run out of ways to get people in and out of town," Bruzzone said.

With a congested toll plaza, the highway system starts to break down as well, with cars backing onto Oakland freeways, he said.

Ridership levels have been steady on the Bay Bridge in the past 20 years, while BART has carried increasing numbers of riders.

—Bay City News contributed to this story

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cause it needs to close its tracks for a short period to perform maintenance work and inspections and it's expecting the bridge to be reopened by that time, Allison said.

He said the transit agency's overnight trains are operating hourly on a modified schedule from Concord and the East Dublin/Pleasanton stations. All trains are meeting at MacArthur Station in Oakland, where passengers may transfer to reach any of the 14 stations that will be open around the clock.

He said BART expects its ridership to increase significantly because its ridership has surged by up to 30% during past Bay Bridge closures.

AC Transit spokesman Clarence Johnson said the bus agency isn't able to provide transbay service while the span is closed so its transbay buses instead will stop at four BART stations to drop off passengers going to San Francisco and pick up passengers coming

from San Francisco. Those stations are MacArthur, the Oakland Coliseum, West Oakland and North Berkeley.

He said many local buses operated by AC Transit, which serves parts of Alameda and Contra Costa counties, are also bringing riders to BART stations as part of their regular service.

San Francisco Bay Ferry spokesman Ernest Sanchez said his agency has also increased its service while the Bay Bridge is closed. There is expanded service from San Francisco Bay Ferry's terminals in Oakland, Alameda Main Street, Harbor Bay in Alameda, Vallejo and San Francisco.

He said there also will be direct service between Alameda Main Street and San Francisco and Oakland and San Francisco. Normally Alameda Main Street and Oakland share a boat.

"We're staffed and ready to go," Sanchez said.

—Bay City News contributed to this story

Rosh Hashana events start Sunday

Apples, honey tasting at New Leaf Markets

By JEB BING

The Jewish New Year Rosh Hashana begins next Wednesday evening, Sept. 4, at sundown.

In observance of the new year, New Leaf Community Markets is joining with Rabbi Raleigh Resnick and the Chabad of the Tri-Valley in hosting a traditional apples and honey tasting with holiday crafts for children Sunday, Sept. 1, from 2-5 p.m.

On Monday, Sept. 2, Chabad of the Tri-Valley is hosting a "Shofar Factory" where adults and children can create their own traditional High Holiday horn, called a "shofar", from a genuine ram's horn.

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'Green Scene' part of First Wednesday next week

4th annual event will feature environmental tips, organic foods

Hacienda and the city of Pleasanton are hosting the 4th annual Pleasanton Green Scene fair next week in conjunction with the First Wednesday Street Party downtown.

The Green Scene booths will be on Division Street and Railroad Avenue, across from the Firehouse Arts Center. Exhibits will feature specialists on green practices, products and services with tips on how to create a sustainable lifestyle.

The event also will feature live music and a farmers market offering organic foods and nutritional products.

Among other features will be an alternative fuel vehicle, health and wellness products and services, energy efficiency and savings

rebates, solar power information, water efficiency and conservation programs, craft stations for children at the Firehouse Center, and a beer and wine garden with a catering vendors.

Commuters also will be given advice on transportation and travel services.

The Green Scene event will take place during the First Wednesday celebration from 6-9 p.m. Wednesday.

For more information, contact Julie Vlahon at the Pleasanton Downtown Association at 484-2199 or by email at events@pleasantondowntown.net, or James Paxson at the Hacienda Owners Association, 734-6500 or by email at info@hacienda.org. ■

Residents, fast food restaurant held up by gunmen

Solo robber hits McDonald's; three men enter home, demand 'the money'

By GLENN WOHLTMANN

A couple and a business were robbed by gunmen in separate incidents this week, according to police reports.

McDonald's on Pimlico Road was held up at about 3 a.m. Wednesday morning by a masked man who apparently entered through the drive-in window.

The man wore white cloth gloves and was armed with what employees described as a small caliber revolver. He forced the three workers on duty into the office and demanded money from the safe.

"Once the safe was open the suspect ordered the employees into the freezer and told them not to come out for 30 minutes," a news release from Pleasanton police Sgt. Tim Young said. "No one was hurt in the robbery.

The suspect is described as a Hispanic male, about 5 feet, 6

inches tall with a medium build.

Police were already investigating a home invasion robbery that occurred Monday afternoon that apparently targeted a winner at a Bay Area casino.

A woman called 911 at about 12:37 p.m. from a home on Roselma Place, off upper Bernal Avenue. The woman told police she and her husband had been robbed by gunman about five minutes earlier.

The victim said she'd just arrived home and was closing the home's garage door when she was accosted by three armed men.

"The suspects forced her into the house, where they then confronted her husband as well and demanded 'the money,'" said Pleasanton police Sgt. Michael Collins in a news release. "The husband complied and gave them the cash out of fear for his and his wife's safety."

The money was apparently

winnings from gambling at a casino, earned from Sunday night into Monday morning. The husband won an unreleased amount of money, took a cab home and fell asleep in a downstairs bedroom, with the cash in a bag beside him, police said.

The robbery took place several hours later.

The three suspects were described as black male adults, 19 to 23 years old, each about 5 feet 8 inches tall, and around 150 pounds. Each wore a red hoodie sweatshirt and black pants, and all wore bandanas during the robbery.

The female victim told police the suspects fled on foot from the home and headed toward Bernal Avenue, but she was unsure if a vehicle was involved.

Anyone with information that could assist either investigation is asked to contact the Pleasanton Police Department at 931-5100. ■



WEEKLY MEETING NOTICES

City Council

Tuesday, September 3, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, 200 Old Bernal Avenue

- Public Hearing: PUD-96, P13-1928, and P13-1929, Pleasanton Gateway, L.L.C. – Consider (1) introduction of an ordinance approving a Planned Unit Development (PUD) Development Plan to construct 210 apartment units, 97 single-family detached units, and related on- and off-site improvements on an approximately 26.72-acre site located at 1600 Valley Avenue (south side of the Pleasanton Gateway Shopping Center); (2) introduction of an ordinance approving a Development Agreement; (3) an Affordable Housing Agreement; and (4) a Growth Management Agreement

- Presentation on the Background Report for an update to the City's Economic Development Strategic Plan

- Consider the appointment of a representative to the Alameda County Mosquito Abatement District

Commission Vacancies Recruitment

The City Council is accepting applications for the following Commission Vacancies:

Civic Arts Commission

Committee on Energy & the Environment

Economic Vitality Committee

for the following groups:

- Business at Large
- Green Economy/Environmental Industry
- Medical Technology
- Residential Real Estate Developer

Youth Commission

Village High School (by fall 2013 freshman through junior)
Thomas Hart Middle School (entering 6th or 7th Grade by fall 2013)

City representative to the Alameda County Mosquito Abatement District

Applications are available at the City Clerk's Office, 123 Main Street, or on the City's website at <http://www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us/pdf/newcommapp.pdf>. For additional information, contact the Office of the City Clerk at (925) 931-5027.

The above represents a sampling of upcoming meeting items.
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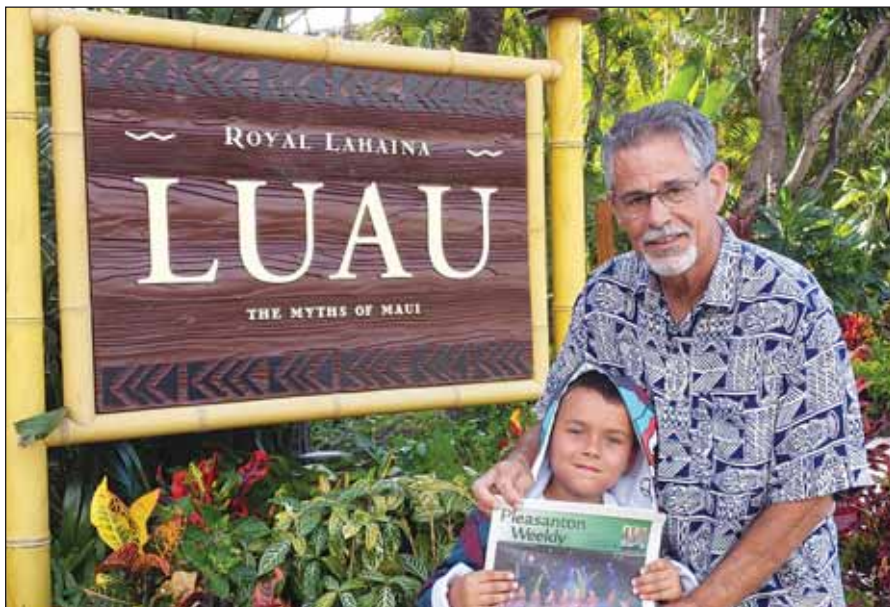
A cheer for the happiest place on earth: The Harvest Park Middle School competition cheer squad with Mckenna Shaffer, Savannah Fried, Hannah Macsata, Allison Mercer, Jessica Lawer, Loren Curry, Sierra Picone, Nicole Witters, Sophia Herzfeldt, Sarah Shackelfor, Claire Fuller, Kate Cole, Taisa Hrynewycz, Mackenzie Fields, Audrey Morse, Emily Mercer, Allyson Murphy, Kaitlyn Letourneau, Kayla Fulmer, Julia Oltman and Emma Clopton take their Pleasanton Weekly along to Disneyland.



Surfing in Ireland?

Aye Lads: Who knew that Bundoran in County Donegal, Ireland was a surfing hot spot? Kathy and Jeff Narum got a first-hand education in that during a recent vacation to the Emerald Isle. Here they are with their Pleasanton Weekly in front of the Bundoran Surf Shop and Surf Lodge where they stayed.

Luau, here we come: Jerrod and Ted Marshall vacation in true Hawaiian style, and make sure to include The Weekly, at the Royal Lahaina Luau on Maui.



Paris, je t'aime: Pleasanton music teachers Jason and Sharolyn Borris read The Pleasanton Weekly in front of The Eiffel Tower with their kids Camille and James. All four were in Europe to be a part of Summer School at the International School of Brussels.



Aloha from Maui: Ryan, Mark, Bettina and Aidan Herberger enjoy a beautiful day, a cold treat and a good read on their family vacation to Maui.

Business News

Edited by Jeb Bing, jbing@pleasantonweekly.com

Back to school is finally here!

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Safeway reimburses members overcharged for gas

Pleasanton-based Safeway Inc. has agreed to reimburse some "rewards" members and pay a fine after overcharging customers at a gas station in Campbell, according to the Santa Clara County District Attorney's Office.

Safeway has repaid customers whose credit cards bills showed higher amounts taken out than on charge slips in more than 700 transactions at a Safeway gas station on Hamilton Avenue in Campbell, Deputy District Attorney Francisca Allen said.

The chain, in addition to reimbursing the rewards customers, also paid a civil penalty of \$46,650 while not admitting any liability or

wrongdoing and cooperating with prosecutors.

The district attorney's office learned about the overcharging in fall 2011 from a customer who noticed a discrepancy between what a gas receipt from the Hamilton gas station showed and what was charged on her credit card bill.

The discount price for her gas, when she used her rewards card, showed up on the printed receipt from the gas pump but not on the credit card bill she received later, Allen said.

According to Allen, the investigation revealed that a new but faulty software program would in-

frequently trigger a disruption and cause the undiscounted price for gas to be charged to credit card companies.

Allen said, prosecutors found out that the glitch was also at Safeway gas stations in Pleasant Hill and Palm Springs that used the same software.

While more than 700 overcharges were evident at the Campbell station, less than 30 erroneous sales took place at each of the Pleasant Hill and Palm Springs stations, she said.

Allen stated that Safeway repaid the customers by issuing credit to their rewards cards equal to what they were overcharged. ■

70,000 attend Goodguys car show at Fairgrounds

An estimated 70,000 classic and hot rod car aficionados attended the 27th annual Goodguys car show that ended its three-day run at the Alameda County Fairgrounds last Sunday.

Presented by Goodguys and Flowmaster Mufflers, this year's event was one of the biggest ever. John Drummond, communications director of the Pleasanton-based Goodguys Rod & Custom Association, said 3,700 show cars from 29 different states

and Australia had their vehicles on display at the show.

Standing right alongside the Goodguys team as event organizers was the P-Town Pushrods car club. Founded locally by Rich Riley in 1994, the club has called Pleasanton home and served as host club for all Goodguys events at the Fairgrounds for the last 20 years. The club has more than 150 members based both in the Tri-Valley and abroad, including in Australia and New Zealand.

In addition to serving as host club for Goodguys, the P-Town Pushrods have their own activities. They escort Livermore Veterans Hospital patients to the Goodguys events and serve them lunch. Each spring, the Pushrods organize a mini car show and barbecue lunch at the hospital. In addition, the club donates funds to Hope Hospice, the National Cancer Society, the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Center and other local Tri-Valley based charities. ■

Honoring grandparents who raise their grand-kids

By JASON ALDERMAN

In 1978, Congress passed legislation proclaiming the first Sunday after Labor Day as National Grandparents Day.

Presidents since Jimmy Carter have issued proclamations urging citizens to, in the words of President Barack Obama, "honor those who have helped shape the character of our nation, and thank these role models for their immeasurable acts of love, care and understanding."

At a stage in life when many people are already comfortably retired, some 2.7 million grandparents have taken on the responsibility of providing basic needs for their grandchildren, according to data compiled by Generations United. An alarming 21% of these vital caregivers live below the poverty line, even though 60% are still in the workforce.

All told, an estimated 7.8 million children under 18 live in households headed by grandparents or other relatives, including those whose parents are absent due to death, substance abuse, military deployment or other reasons.

It only seems fair that many federal, state and local aid programs are available to help these guardian angels provide financial and emotional safety nets for their grandchildren.

Among the many difficulties these families sometimes face:

If you become your grandchild's foster parent, you're responsible for day-to-day decisions and care, although the state retains legal custody and pays for the child's care.

Unless you establish custody, guardianship or adoption, the parent may be able to take your grandchild from your home at any time.

In some states, it's difficult to enroll the child in school or get medical care without some form of legal relationship.

Most senior-only housing complexes don't allow child residents, which is legal, so some grand-families are forced to move.

However, grand-families may be eligible for several federal tax credits:

A Child Tax Credit of up to \$1,000 for each qualified grandchild, provided they lived with you for more than half the filing year and are under 17 at year's end.

If you qualify for the Earned Income Tax Credit, you may be eligible for an additional amount for grandchildren you support.

A Child and Dependent Care Credit for childcare expenses incurred so you can work or seek employment.

If you adopt your grandchildren, you may be eligible for a nonrefundable Federal Adoption Credit of up to \$12,970 per child.

In addition, depending on your income and the health/disability status

of your grandchildren, you may also be eligible for benefits from Medicaid, your state's Children's Health Insurance Program, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and numerous other federal, state and local aid programs.

Helpful resources for grand-families include:

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren, a government-sponsored site at www.usa.gov, that provides links to various subject-matter experts.

Benefits QuickLINK, an AARP (at www.aarp.org) tool to find out whether you or your grandchildren qualify for 15 different public benefits.

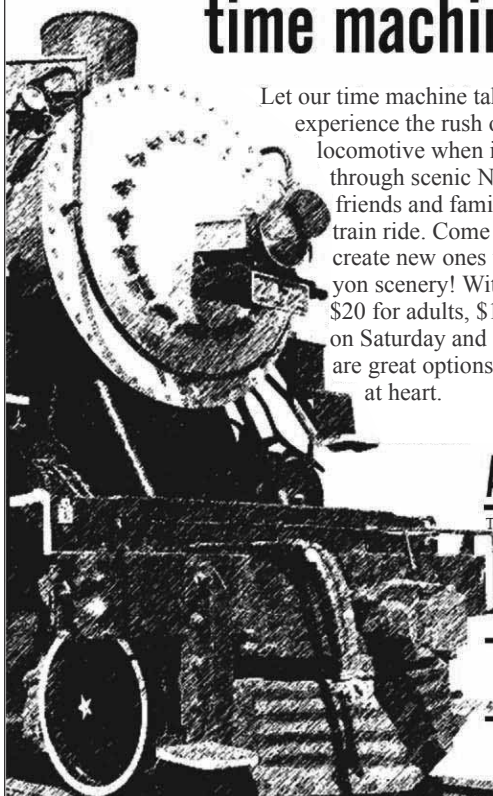
GrandFacts, a searchable database at www.aarp.org, where you can locate key state and local resources, foster care policies, public benefits, financial and education assistance, and relevant state laws.

Generations United, whose "Grandfamilies" website highlights challenges often faced by these households (www.gu.org/OURWORK/Grandfamilies.aspx).

Do something to honor your own grandparents this Grandparents Day. And if you know others who are raising their grand-kids, make sure they know about the many available resources.

Jason Alderman directs Visa's financial education programs.

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EDITORIAL

THE OPINION OF THE WEEKLY



Tri-Valley sizzles while Bay Bridge closed

The bridge is closed but that shouldn't stop those of us who live on this side of the Bay from enjoying a long Labor Day weekend that's absolutely packed with a variety of events. It starts tonight with a concert in the Lions Wayside Park featuring the rock & roll band High Energy. Sponsored by the Pleasanton Downtown Association, Safeway Corp. and the Pleasanton Weekly, the music starts at 7 p.m. although many get there much earlier with blankets and evening refreshments.

Also in downtown Pleasanton tomorrow is another Sizzling Saturday when merchants stay open from 6-9 p.m. to offer special values along with free live music up and down Main Street. Participating businesses are Acadia Health, Little Gallery, Cupid's Candy Shop, Lanvie Apparel, Redcoats, Rick's Picks, Sincerely Yours Cards and Gifts, Studio Seven Arts, Savvy Seconds, Clover Creek, Therapy and Towne Center Books.

Also tomorrow, the Caledonian Club of San Francisco presents its Scottish Highland Gathering & Games at the Alameda County Fairgrounds. The annual two-day event draws more than 30,000 people. Attendance was up 23% last year and the good weather and temperatures, along with the Bay Bridge closing, could hike that figure even higher. County Fairgrounds gates open 8 a.m. both tomorrow and Sunday with athletic events starting at 8:30. Opening ceremonies in front of the main grandstands begin at 12:30 p.m. both days.

On Sunday and Monday, wine aficionados can enjoy the 32nd Annual Harvest Wine Celebration from noon to 5 p.m. The event showcases more than 40 wineries in Pleasanton and the Livermore Valley during the peak of the harvest season. Tickets are \$65 with special \$10 Designated Driver (non-tasting) tickets also available for purchase at participating wineries and at Robertson Park in Livermore.

Wineries pouring from their tasting room are AuburnJames, Bent Creek Winery, Big White House Winery, Charles R Vineyards, Concannon Vineyard, Crooked Vine Winery, Cuda Ridge Wines, Dante Robere Vineyards, Darcie Kent Vineyards, Eagle Ridge Vineyard, Eckert Estate Winery, el Sol Winery, Ehrenberg Cellars, Fenestra Winery, Garre' Vineyard & Winery, La Rochelle Winery, Las Positas Vineyards, Longevity Wines, McGrail Vineyards and Winery, Mitchell Katz Winery, Murrieta's Well, Nottingham Cellars, Occasio Winery, Retzlaff Estate Winery, Rios-Lovell, The Singing Winemaker, The Steven Kent Winery, Stony Ridge Winery, Tamás Estates, Wente Vineyards Estate Tasting Room, White Crane Winery, and Wood Family Vineyards.

Just when you thought the three days of festivities are over and Pleasanton is quieting down, here comes another (and final for 2013) First Wednesday Street Party. The Sept. 4 Street Party will host "Green Scene" this month, a green expo which will be stationed along Division Street and Railroad Avenue. Check out the "green" vendors and learn about energy savings rebates. Also check out ArtBlock on Main Street with its live art and music experience. The First Wednesday Street Party starts at 6 p.m., wrapping up at 9 p.m. ■



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Kick up your heels

Labor Day weekend in Pleasanton means more than the end of the summer. It's when the city goes Scottish, from bagpipes to dancers to athletes, a time to wear kilts and eat meat pies.

The Caledonian Club of San Francisco is presenting its Scottish Highland Gathering & Games for the 148th year, and it is at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton for the 20th time. In Scotland, gathering and games events can be traced back more than a thousand years.

"Historians believe that some of the Heavy Events originated during Druid times," states the San Francisco Caledonian Club website. "Heavy Events began as tests of strength and conditioning for Scottish troops. A tree trunk would be made into a caber and tossed by the strongest military men. Smooth rocks from river beds would be heaved for distance."

These feats of strength can be seen this weekend from the Pleasanton grandstand, which has often witnessed world records broken in both the men's and women's divisions.

"The first historical references to the Heavy Events were during the reign of King Malcolm III (1057-1093). The Ceres Games of Fife, Scotland, are considered the oldest, continuous Highland Games, beginning in 1314," according to the website.

There were interruptions in the continuity, however, when the English government passed the Act of Proscription, which from 1746-82 banned all Scottish culture, including wearing kilts and playing bagpipes. The Ceres Games of Fife were not held during the two world wars either.

The San Francisco Caledonian Club was founded in 1866, which that same year held its first Gathering & Games, really a family picnic with athletic contests, in a field at 12th and Market streets on Thanksgiving Day. The event has been held every year since, including in 1906 when the city was recovering from the April earthquake, during the Depression and even during the two world wars.

"I imagine they had what we call the Masters, the old athletes," conjectured Floyd Busby, who has published the program for the games since the 1980s.

The athletes and even the dancers were all men in the beginning but more and more women began to take part in the Highland Dancing, as well as in piping and drumming competitions. Shannon Hartnett of Sausalito convinced Heavy Events organizers to allow women to compete, and she has been the U.S. Women's Heavy Events Champion ever since.

The Gathering & Games moved to Petaluma after World War II, then Santa Rosa, before coming to Pleasanton in 1994, where it has been since.

"We were outgrowing the Sonoma County Fairgrounds in Santa Rosa," recalled Busby, "and the manager of the fairgrounds was making demands."

He and past Chief David Scott began looking at other venues, including Golden Gate Park, but the Alameda County Fairgrounds seemed to have it all.

"This is better, at the crossroads of two freeways," Busby said. "We much prefer it here."

Pleasanton residents support the Gathering & Games, which draws more than 30,000 people during the two days, he noted.

"A survey was done on attendance, and it's predominantly local," he said.

Last year attendance was up 23%, and Busby said that boost was attributed to the release in June 2012 of the Disney/Pixar movie, "Brave," an animated film about the spirited young Merida, who is skilled with a bow and arrow. Archery at the games, which has an extra charge, also was popular following the release of "Brave."

Busby said that he and other Caledonians go to about 20 events throughout the Bay Area to promote the Gathering & Games, including First Wednesday Street Parties. They emphasize that the event is for the whole family.



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Top: The Scottish Highland Gathering and Games will hold pipe band competitions on Saturday and Sunday. 29 bands will play together at the end of each day in the Massed Bands show in front of the Grandstand. More than 750 pipers and drummers will march in formation and play inspirational Scottish music. Bottom: An old print, from the London Illustrated News, which shows the Caledonian Club Games held in Sausalito in 1868.

Enjoy the 148th Scottish Highland Gathering & Games in Pleasanton this weekend

BY DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI



CAMMIE CLARK

Heavy athletic events like the caber toss (above) and the weight-for-height throw (right). The caber toss is a crowd favorite as the large wooden pole (typically 19 feet 6 inches and weighing 175 pounds for the men) is balanced in the athlete's hands as he or she runs and then hurls it, with the goal being for the caber to land with the "top" end nearest to the thrower. In the weight-for-height throw, the weight has a ring attached to it, which the athlete swings then heaves over a bar that keeps getting raised.



much like field hockey.

- Children's Glen for the wee ones.
- Kilted Mile. Both days, at 10:45 a.m., don a kilt and run the mile horse race track for cash prizes, at the grandstand.
- British Motor Cars and Motorcycles. A 1937 Rolls Royce brings the Chief of the Caledonian Club of San Francisco and his guests to the opening and closing ceremonies.
- More than 100 vendors in five air-conditioned buildings, most representing something British in nature, imported from Scotland, England, Ireland or Wales.
- Food vendors offer meat pies, bangers, Scotch eggs, haggis and an import ale or two.
- "Whisky Live at the Games" offers samples of the best of the best. Also a Whisky Master Class for the true Scotch aficionado. Extra charge. ■

"The Pleasanton Games is more than a cultural event for Scottish people; the games are an event for the whole family, regardless of one's roots," said Scottish Games Manager and Chief George McCombe. "Nearly everyone in the U.S. has a drop of Scottish or Irish blood in them, and it can be fully recognized at this event."

This year starts the official march to the Gathering & Games' 150th Sesquicentennial Year, which will be in 2015. Twenty-nine pipe bands from the U.S. and Canada will be in competition, and the famed LA Scots Grade I Pipe Band will perform in a special program.

The 39th U.S. Invitational Heavy Events Championship will include World Champion Matt Vincent of Baton Rouge, La., as well as other world class pro athletes from the U.S., Scotland, England and Canada. In the amateur classes, more than 70 top invited athletes from five countries and 12 states are participating.

The Western States U.S. Open Highland Dancing Championships takes place in the amphitheater with the young dancers performing noted jigs such as the Highland Fling, the Sailor's Hornpipe and the Earl of Erroll.

Four stages will have continuous entertainment ranging from a traditional troubadour singing ballads while strumming a guitar to a trio with beautiful harmony and uplifting music.

Celtic rock groups include Pleasanton regulars Tempest, Scotland's Tribal favorite Albannach and Molly's Revenge as well as a new Celtic rock group called Celtica, which has three members from Austria, one American and two Great Highland Bagpipers from Scotland.

"They shoot fire out of their guitars — but I have a feeling they won't be allowed to here," Busby said with a laugh.

The Edinburgh Stage will present the Browne Sisters with George Cavanaugh and soloist Peter Daldry. The Glen Stage will showcase traditional Celtic music by the Golden Bough trio and troubadour Neil O'Neill's Scottish tenor.

Celtic Heritage also will have a variety of music on two stages, with fiddlers, Scottish Country Dancing and singing in the ancient Gaelic language.

Other activities are as follows:

- Living History, which takes one back in time to the mid 1500s when Mary Queen of Scots reigned. Members of the St. Andrew's Noble Order of Royal Scots and the Royal Scots Renaissance Faire Guild will recount the customs, dress and culture of the period. There will also be the encampment of the Vikings, highland warriors, craftsmen, archery and swordsmanship.

- The Sheep Dog Trials have professionally trained border collies and their handlers herding sheep into compounds by way of signals between handler and animal, presented by the Northern California Working Sheepdog Association.

- The Birds of Prey area is always open for viewing. At 11 a.m., 1 and 3 p.m., handlers take the stage with their bird for an informative presentation.

- Glen of the Clans will help those with a bit of Scotch find out more about their heritage.

- Five-A-Side Soccer is an eight-team semi-pro tournament with five-man teams from California and Nevada.

- Rugby and Shinty, an ancient sport from Scotland, very

Puttin' on the plaid

WHAT: 148th Scottish Highland Gathering & Games

WHEN: Aug. 31 and Sept. 1

WHERE: Alameda County Fairgrounds

HOURS: Gates open 8 a.m. Athletics begin 8:30 a.m. Other activities begin 10 a.m. Close 6:30 p.m.

OPENING CEREMONIES: In front of the main grandstands beginning at 12:30 p.m. both days

GRANDSTAND SHOW: Massed Pipe Bands in concert, Western States Drum Major Finals, and more at 3:45 p.m. both days.

INFORMATION: www.TheScottish-Games.com or call 1-888-769-2345

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LIVING ON THE WILD SIDE

TEENS WORK WITH WILDLIFE IN GUATEMALA

By JENN TEITELL

Where can you search for sea turtle eggs, feed spider monkeys and visit Mayan ruins? If you asked the 14 teens that went on a recent trip sponsored by the Oakland Zoo, they'd have one place in mind: Guatemala.

In mid-July, three Amador Valley High School students, Marisa Riordan, Rachel Lortz and Megan Bantz, along with other Bay Area teens, embarked on a 17-day trip to the Central American country with the unusual focus of helping rehabilitate animals at the ARCAS Rescue Center, which is supported by the Oakland Zoo.

The group began its journey in Antigua, where the teens stayed with host families for a few days and explored the city. From there, they traveled into the jungle, where they worked for a week at the ARCAS rehabilitation center.

At the rescue center, they had the opportunity to work with exotic animals, including spider monkeys, scarlet macaws and toucans.

"We worked in the cages with the animals, and we would spend time with them, feeding them and cleaning their cages," said Riordan. "We weren't really allowed to interact with them because we were trying to rehabilitate them and release them back into the wild."

Most animals at the center had been confiscated from homes where people illegally held them as pets. Though the teens' duties were mainly feeding animals and cleaning cages, Lortz was able to work with a couple of birds doing physical therapy, helping them to do wing exercises.

"Most of the animals that we were working with were endangered, so it helps to rehabilitate them so they can go back into the wild and be a part of the ecosystem and bring the numbers of animals back up," said Bantz.

After their week at the rehabilitation center, the group traveled across Guatemala to a beach called Hawaii, where they worked at a turtle rescue center. By day, they performed simple chores like painting. At night, they walked several miles along the beaches with flashlights, searching for turtle eggs to bring back to the center

so they could hatch and the babies could be released into the wild.

"It's legal for Guatemalan people to take the eggs as long as they donate 20% of the nest to the government," Riordan explained. "We try to claim the eggs so we can repopulate the sea turtles because they're on the verge of extinction."

The teens weren't just learning about animals; they stayed with Guatemalans during most parts of their trip, so they discovered a new culture as well.

"It was really interesting seeing how they lived and being able to be them for a couple of days, actually living how they live," said Bantz. "They don't have all the amenities we have; they have to do a lot of stuff themselves, and it was just interesting seeing what they do during the day and how different it is compared to us."

The 14 teens also grew close during the long trip. Both Lortz and Bantz pointed to dealing with a five-and-a-half hour layover in the middle of the night on the way to Guatemala as the beginning of their new friendships.

All three girls spoke highly of the "once in a lifetime" experience, saying it has influenced their worldview and career plans.

"I think the biggest thing for me is that this confirmed my wanting to work with animals, especially exotic animals," said Lortz. "This was a firsthand experience to see how badly animals have been affected by human development."

Lortz plans to study animal sciences in college and eventually become a veterinarian for exotic animals. Though this course of work will likely lead her to a zoo, she is also open to traveling to other countries to work with animals at rehabilitation centers like the one she visited.

"For me, it was good to be away from technology and be more in touch with nature, and I think it's important to protect the environment we have," Riordan said. "There was a lot of deforestation going on, and animals are poorly treated, so we need to protect what we have."

To learn more about teen programs offered through the Oakland Zoo, visit www.oaklandzoo.org. ■

Amador Valley High School students Marisa Riordan, Rachel Lortz and Megan Bantz help at the ARCAS Rescue Center in Guatemala during a 17-day trip to the Central American country this summer. The rescue center is supported by the Oakland Zoo.

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POLICE BULLETIN

Suspects flee after tussle with loss prevention officers

Suspects in an attempted shoplifting may face charges of robbery after getting into a scuffle with Nordstrom store security officers.

The incident occurred at about 12:42 p.m. at Stoneridge Shopping Center. Loss prevention agents caught a woman with clothing worth about \$109, and recovered the items, but the woman attempted to grab the clothing and run. She was caught, but her boyfriend tried to pull her away.

After a tug of war — which could elevate the charge to strong-arm robbery — between the two and security officers, the agents let go and the pair fled. A third individual with the two, who was not seen committing a crime, also fled with the couple.

In other police reports:

- Three individuals and two businesses reported being victims of felony frauds in recent days.

In the largest, Buxton Consulting in the 6100 block of Stoneridge Mall Road reported four fraudulent checks worth \$16,700 had been forged and cashed after checks were stolen from the firm's offices. The incident was reported at about 10:23 a.m. Aug. 21.

A resident of the 1200 block of Ridgewood Road told police that someone in the Sacramento area had used her credit card four times, with charges of \$2,000, \$3,000, \$1,000 and \$306.17 in an incident reported at about 9:33 a.m. Aug. 22.

The next day at about 3:53 p.m., a resident of the 4800 block of Drywood Street reported someone had gained access to her credit card to make five fraudulent charges totaling \$411, all in the Philadelphia area.

That same day in an incident reported at about 7:40 p.m., a resident of the 4900 block of Dolores Drive told police that someone used her credit card information to purchase two cell phones in her name.

A business in the 5200 block of Rosewood Drive reported that a suspect had used a stolen prescription pad to create a forged prescription. The incident was reported at about 4:28 p.m. Aug. 25.

- Mikhail Sergei Sakhayan, 31, of San Ramon was arrested at about 3:00 p.m. Aug. 24 at Macy's in the 1400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road for felony shoplifting, possession of burglary tools, possession of a false prescription and paraphernalia possession. Sakhayan was caught by loss prevention officers after entering a dressing room with eight items and leaving with four. He also had wire cutters and pliers, two hypodermic needles, a drug grinder and narcotics.

- Ernest Michael Campos, 30, of Concord was arrested at 3:56 a.m. Aug. 24 near the intersection of Owens Drive and Chabot Drive for auto burglary and vandalism. A security guard at the Sheraton Hotel heard noises and called police, who apprehended Campos for breaking windows and stealing from cars in the area of Owens Drive. Four car windows had been smashed.

- Mills Uniform in the 4800 block of Hopyard Road told police that someone had broken a glass window at the business and stolen a cash box containing about \$300 in a commercial burglary reported at about 5:48 a.m. Aug. 23.

Under the law, those arrested are considered innocent until convicted.

POLICE REPORT

The Pleasanton Police Department made the following information available.

Aug. 21

Theft

- 2:01 p.m. in the 4500 block of Hopyard Road; theft from structure
- 6:59 p.m. in the 3100 block of Corte del Cino

Auto burglary

- 5:33 p.m. in the 8000 block of Arroyo Drive
- 9:54 p.m. in the 1000 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Vandalism

- 5:44 p.m. in the 2100 block of Armstrong Drive

Drug/alcohol violation

- 4:39 p.m. on Interstate 580; possession of methamphetamine, DUI

Aug. 22

Theft

- 1:01 p.m. in the 6400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; theft from structure
- 7:44 p.m. in the 4700 block of Willow Road; embezzlement

Auto burglary

- 12:48 p.m. in the 4300 block of Rosewood Drive

Threats

- 2:08 p.m. in the 3000 block of Badger Street

Graffiti

- 2:02 p.m. in the 4500 block of First St

Drug/alcohol violations

- 7:51 a.m. in the 3000 block of Bernal Avenue; drug violation
- 9:51 p.m. in the 4100 block of First Street; DUI

Aug. 23

Robbery

- 12:42 p.m. in the 1600 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Theft

- 1:19 p.m. in the 1400 block of

Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

- 2:16 p.m. in the 1500 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting
- 3:16 p.m. in the 4400 block of Willow Road; bicycle theft
- 5:08 p.m. in the 1500 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting

Vandalism

- 10:45 a.m. in the 6600 block of Koll Center Parkway

Public drunkenness

- 5:20 p.m. in the 5500 block of W. Las Positas Boulevard
- 8:43 p.m. in the 2400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Aug. 24

Theft

- 11:49 a.m. in the 4300 block of Rosewood Drive; shoplifting
- 2:54 p.m. in the first block of Stoneridge Mall Road; theft from structure
- 3:30 p.m. in the 4500 block of Rosewood Drive; shoplifting

Auto burglary

- 2:54 a.m. in the 5800 block of Owens Drive
- 9:32 a.m. in the 5800 block of Owens Drive
- 5:50 p.m. in the 4500 block of Pleasanton Avenue

Vandalism

- 10:13 a.m. in the 5800 block of Owens Drive

Drug/alcohol violations

- 3:29 a.m. in the 5900 block of Corte Cerritos; under the influence of drugs
- 4:17 p.m. at the intersection of Blackbird Drive and Valley Avenue; marijuana possession
- 11:47 p.m. at the intersection of Denker Drive and Stoneridge Drive; DUI

Aug. 25

Theft

- 3:39 p.m. in the 1300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; shoplifting
- 4:28 p.m. in the 4200 block of

Rosewood Drive; fraud

Vandalism

- 8:34 a.m. in the 300 block of Division Street; graffiti
- 9:37 a.m. in the 600 block of Peters Avenue
- 9:37 a.m. in the 600 block of Peters Avenue

Aug. 26

Shoplifting

- 3:26 p.m. in the 2100 block of Stoneridge Mall Road
- 6:17 p.m. in the 1300 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Graffiti

- 8:25 a.m. in the 7300 block of Johnson Drive

Drug/alcohol violations

- 4:49 p.m. in the 5800 block of Parkside Drive; marijuana possession
- 6:21 p.m. at the intersection of W. Las Positas Boulevard and Santa Rita Road; public drunkenness

Aug. 27

Theft

- 8:19 a.m. in the 5600 block of Owens Drive
- 7:16 p.m. in the 5500 block of Springhouse Drive; theft from structure
- 7:32 p.m. in the 1600 block of East Gate Way; auto theft

Auto burglary

- 7:35 a.m. in the 300 block of Trenton Cir
- 9:32 a.m. in the 4200 block of Jensen St
- 9:39 a.m. in the 4200 block of Jensen St

Vandalism

- 2:57 a.m. in the 6400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road

Alcohol violations

- 1:55 a.m. in the 5900 block of Stoneridge Drive; DUI
- 2:09 a.m. in the 6400 block of Stoneridge Mall Road; public drunkenness

OBITUARIES

PAID OBITUARIES

Elenora (Ella) Bienek Monette

Oct. 8, 1921-Aug. 25, 2013

Elenora Bienek Monette, affectionately called "Ella," resided in Pleasanton for the past 44 years and passed away peacefully on Sunday, August 25, 2013.

Born October 8, 1921, in Polonia, Texas, she was one of nine children born to Robert Bienek and Otilie Schultze Bienek, also of Texas. The family lived in the rural Black Hill Community in Texas, where Ella, sometimes called "Ellie," grew up on her parents' large working farm with her five brothers and three sisters. Her father was multilingual and musically gifted playing several musical instruments, as were all of her brothers.

On holiday with her sister, she met Reynolds "Ray" Monette in Galveston, Texas. Ray won Ella's heart and they were married June 21, 1941, in Houston. They settled in California. Ray and Ella were together for life's events. They had one daughter and a grandson. When war came, Ray dutifully enlisted in the Merchant Marines in 1941. Ella kept the home fires burning until he came home and their daughter was born. They made their life together in the Bay Area, mostly in San Leandro, until moving to Pleasanton in 1969. Ella cherished every visit "home" to Texas, but her life was in the Bay Area and Pleasanton, and she



was overjoyed when someone from "down home" showed up at the door and, of course, everyone was welcome.

Ella retired a few years ahead of Ray. Ray had become a painting contractor in 1943 and later was employed by the Port of Oakland before joining Ella in retirement in 1977. Together they enjoyed traveling, mostly with family, making six trips to Hawaii and other destinations both in and out of the country. They took up folk dancing in the fifties and their old Whirlitzer Jukebox held a fair share of folk dancing records. The country girl in Ella loved working in the yard, especially in her vegetable garden. She and Ray went fishing frequently at Del Valle and Shadow Cliffs. They enjoyed craw fishing too. One of their special craw fish spots was in Niles Canyon. When it came to fishing, they were both teammates and competitors. Their time together was precious to them, all the more when they could include their daughter Jan and grandson Daniel.

Ella, when widowed in 1995, joined the Pleasanton Senior Center and continued to travel, making many friends from the Center and staying in touch with them. Her parents and eight siblings preceded her in death. She had numerous brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, nephews, nieces, and cousins in Texas and California. She is survived by her daughter Jan Tobias of Pleasanton, grandson Dan Tobias, and his wife Laurie of Livermore. A celebration of her life will be private. Gifts in her memory can be made to St. Augustine Church in Pleasanton or to your favorite charity.

BIRTHS

William Morgan Tan

Louis and Connie Tan proudly announce the birth of their son, William Morgan Tan. Born on March 8th, he is the first grandchild and the first American born for the Tan family of Pleasanton. William shows his intelligence and cuteness each and every day. William is extremely curious of his surroundings and capable of raising his head the minute he arrived. At 100 days old, he has started saying his first word — "Mama."



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Author Visits

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION WITH MICHAEL PERRY Michael Perry, who has written five books, will be discussing these works as well as his latest, "Visiting Tom," at 11 a.m., Friday, Aug. 30 at Towne Center Books. Call 846-8826.

Book Clubs

TOWNE CENTER BOOKCLUB The club meets at 7 p.m. the second Wednesday the month at Towne Center Books, 555 Main St. Call 846-8826 or visit www.townecenterbooks.com for the current selection.

Civic Meetings

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

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

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

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

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

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

Classes

ACE CODING Free programming classes open to all ages will be held at the Pleasanton Library from 3:30-5:30 p.m. every Wednesday, designed and run by Amador Valley High School students. Contact Daniel Huang at 858-3958 or daniel.huang87@gmail.com.

BARTENDING THE EASY WAY Las Positas Community Education presents Bartending the Easy Way online certification for California bartenders. The course is online with no time restrictions to be completed at your own pace. Cost is \$154 and includes all materials. Contact 424-1467 or commed@laspositascollege.edu. Visit www.laspositascollege.edu.

COMPUTER TUTORING Need help with downloading E-books from the library to your E-Reader, sending e-mail attachments, social networking, blogging, general Internet questions? Drop-in classes are from 5-6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Pleasanton Public Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave. Call Mary Luskin at 931-3400, ext. 7. Free and open to all.

FIFE AND DRUM BAND CAMP Pleasanton's 1776-era Fife and Drum Corps is hosting a one day Band Camp from 10:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 1 in the Mohr School area. Kids 8+ yrs old will learn marching, instrumental drum and fife, and play historical games. Contact Jason Giaimo at YAPs1776@aol.com or go to www.YoungAmericanPatriots.com.

I HATE PASSWORDS WORKSHOP Do you use easy to remember passwords like 123456, or your birth date or Social Security number? Do you use the same password for everything? Do you write down your passwords? Come to the "I Hate Passwords" workshop from 10 a.m.-noon, Saturday, Sept. 14, at the Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce. Cost is \$20. Call 400-8370 or go to www.yourdigitalhandyman.com.

ONLINE PERSONAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS COACHING Get healthier in this six-week course, online from Sept. 7-Oct. 18. You will be guided to design a plan for changing a personal health behavior of

your choice, like reducing stress or increasing nutrition. Presented by Las Positas College Community Education. Cost is \$60. Contact Prof. Eric Golanty at (510) 827-2101 or profg70@gmail.com. Go to <http://ergo84.com/lpc/>

THURSDAY NIGHT TENNIS CLINIC Drop in or preregister for this clinic to help you with your tennis matches, from 6:30-8 p.m., Thursdays, now through Sept. 12, at Pleasanton Tennis and Community Park, 5801 Valley Ave. Cost is \$15-\$18. Call 931-3449 or go to www.lifetimetennis.com.

Clubs

1776-ERA KIDS MARCHING BAND YAPs The Young American Patriots Fife and Drum Corps, a 1776-era band, meets from 6:30-8 p.m. every Friday for rehearsal. Kids learn instrumental music, fife and drum with a Berkeley-trained drum instructor and 3-time US National Champion fife instructor. Free to try, \$7 per hour after. Contact Jason Giaimo at 484-0265 or yaps1776@aol.com. Go to www.YoungAmericanPatriots.com.

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION The Jose Maria Amador Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, NSDAR, meets at 10 a.m., the second Saturday of each month September through May. It is a social gathering and time to explore the history of our American roots. For more information contact the chapter's regent Diane Groome at dggroome@comcast.net.

DBE (DAUGHTERS OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE) Welcome to ladies of British or British Commonwealth Heritage. DBE holds monthly meetings at 11 a.m. on the third Thursday at Castlewood Country Club. Members focus on philanthropy, enjoy social interaction and form long-lasting friendships while contributing to local charities and supporting retirement homes in the USA. Call Edith at 998-3500.

LIVERMORE AMADOR VALLEY GARDEN CLUB MEETING The Livermore Amador Valley Garden Club will meet at 7 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 12, at Alisal School, 1454 Santa Rita Road. Bethallyn Black will speak on Late Season Fruits for Fall Gardens. Visitors are welcome. Call 485-7812 or go to lavgc.org.

PLEASANTON COMMUNITY TOASTMASTERS Learn the art of public speaking in a fun-filled and supporting environment. Meetings from 7:30-9 p.m. every Tuesday at The Clubhouse, 4530 Sandalwood Dr. Attend meetings as a guest at no cost. Call 395-1234 or go to www.pleasantontostmasters.com.

PLEASANTON NEWCOMERS CLUB This club is a great way for new and established residents to make new friends. It meets for coffee on the first Wednesday of every month and for lunch on the second Wednesday of every month. The group has activities like hiking, walking, Bunco and more. Visit www.pleasantonnewcomers.com. Contact Info@PleasantonNewcomers.com or 215-8405.

ROTARY CLUB OF PLEASANTON The Rotary Club of Pleasanton since 1965 has been a leader in the community in helping make Pleasanton a great place to live. It has a luncheon meeting from 12:15-1:30 p.m., every Thursday, at Hap's Restaurant, 122 W. Neal St., Pleasanton. Cost for lunch is \$17. For information, visit www.PleasantonRotary.org.

ROTARY CLUB OF PLEASANTON NORTH Pleasanton North Rotary invites anyone interested in making a difference. The membership includes 65 professionals, business owners, executives, managers and community leaders. The club meets from 12:15-1:30 p.m. Fridays at the Hilton Hotel, 7050 Johnson Dr. Call 580-7947 or visit www.pnr-rotary.org.

TRI VALLEY ROTARY MEETINGS Tri Valley Rotary is a small but energetic group, motivated and eager to make a difference in the community. Meetings are 6-8 p.m. every Thursday, at Castlewood Country Club Grill, 707 Country Club Cir. There is a \$5 meeting fee plus cost of meal. Contact info@trivalleyrotary.org or go to <http://trivalleyrotary.org>.

UKULELE CIRCLE Come play ukelele with others and bring friends, noon-1 p.m., last Saturday of the month, at Galina's Music Studio, 2222 Second St., Suite 2, Livermore. All ages and skill levels welcome. Please bring in some music to share with the group. Cost is \$5. Call 960-1194.

VIRTUALLY SPEAKING TOASTMASTERS Virtually Speaking Toastmasters club meets from noon-1 p.m. every Thursday at Electrical Reliability Services, 6900 Koll Center Pkwy., Suite 415, Pleasanton. Everyone is welcome to come see what a positive change Toastmasters can make in their confidence. Call 580-8660.

Concerts

ANNUAL PIANO RECITAL Prizewinning pianist and Amador Valley High School graduate Connie Chen will present music by Bach, Beethoven, Chopin and Prokofiev from 7:30-9 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 7, at Asbury United Methodist Church, 4743 East Ave., Livermore. Ms. Chen will sign programs afterward. Free admission and refreshments. Contact Anne Coll at 443-2514 or acoll@comcast.net.

CONCERTS IN THE PARK: PUBLIC EYE Pleasanton Downtown Association's Concert in the Park presents Public Eye, 7-8:30 p.m., Friday, Aug. 30, at Lions Wayside Park, on the corner of First and Neal streets. Free. This is the last concert of the season.

MIKE AMARALIS CALIFORNIA BEACH BOYS The Firehouse Arts Center opens its fourth season with the No. 1 Beach Boys Tribute Band, Mike Amaral's California Beach Boys, at 8 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 7. Plenty of Good Vibrations and a whole lot of Fun, Fun, Fun. Tickets are \$15-\$25, available at 931-4848 or www.firehousearts.org.

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ROGER GLENN LATIN JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Roger Glenn, master multi-instrumentalist and entertainer on the flute, sax and vibraphone, will bring his Latin Jazz Ensemble to the Firehouse Arts Center on Friday, Sept. 6. Tickets are \$30. Contact Debbie Peck at 447-4300 or Alex Watson at 437-4204.

Events

20TH ANNUAL VIP WESTERN

BARBECUE The Pleasanton Senior Center VIP 20th annual Western Barbecue will be from 11:30 a.m.-1:45 p.m., Monday, Sept. 23. This event is open to everyone, with a live country western band, great old-fashioned western BBQ and great prizes. Seating is limited. Tickets are \$10 at the VIP Travel Desk, open 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Monday-Thursday. Contact George Mirande at 931-5370 or drions2012@aol.com.

ANNUAL PLEASANTON GREEN SCENE FAIR

Learn about the latest green practices. The City of Pleasanton and Hacienda partner with the Pleasanton Downtown Association for the Green Scene Fair, from 6-9 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 4 on Division St. and Railroad Ave. as part of the First Wednesday street fair.

BROTHERS, BAR ROOMS AND BANDITS

BBQ Dinner, gambling chips, dancing and the best entertainment in the west! Live and silent auctions, giveaways and more. Cost is \$45. Additional \$200 for gambling money. Western attire encouraged, but not the Law. Come on down on Saturday, Sept. 14 at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Call 462-2766 or go to www.museumonmain.org.

CIRCUS VARGAS PRESENTS

MAGIKARIA Circus Vargas conjures

up an astonishing array of artists in its newest, most exciting spectacular. Presenting, "Magikaria, A Fantastical Magical Experience," running Aug. 15-Sept. 23 in Dublin. Cost is \$25-\$65. Go to www.circusvargas.com for more information.

EAST BAY'S LONGEST RUNNING TRIATHLON SERIES

On Your Mark Events' 26th annual Tri For Real Triathlon will start at 7 a.m., Sunday, Sept. 15, at Shadow Cliffs Regional Park, 2500 Stanley Blvd. Cost is \$75-\$85. Check-in at 5 a.m. Contact (209) 795-7832 or go to www.onyourmarkevents.com.

EXTREME ENTREPRENEURSHIP TOUR

Las Positas College will host the nationally acclaimed, high-energy Extreme Entrepreneurship Tour from 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 4, in the Mertes Center for the Arts at Las Positas College. Parking is \$2. Registration available at <http://extremetour.org/laspositas>.

FARMERS MARKET

Visit the Pleasanton Farmers Market from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. every Saturday, on East Angela Street between Main and First streets. The Farmers Market is open every Saturday, year-round, rain or shine, to provide the season's freshest fruits and vegetables, sold by the very farmers that planted, nurtured and harvested the crop.

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Come to the fall used book sale! Members-only night from 6-8:30 p.m. (memberships available at 5:30 p.m.), Friday, Sept. 13; 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 14; and 1-4 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 15 at the Dublin Library. Call 828-1315 or go to www.dublinfriends.org.

FUN ON THE FARM: JAM AND BREAD

Learn about canning and discover unusual varieties of jam Ruth Boone made in the mid 1900s. Follow wheat from the field to the table as you thresh, grind, and sift

wheat to make flour. From 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 14 at Forest Home Farms Historic Park, 19953 San Ramon Valley Blvd., San Ramon. Call 973-3284 or go to www.SanRamon.ca.gov.

HOT AUGUST NIGHT SINGLES DANCE

Meet new friends at this fun party! 8-11:45 p.m., Friday, Aug. 30, at the Marriott Hotel, 11950 Dublin Canyon Road. Cost is \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. Adults of all ages welcome. Dressy attire requested. Call (415) 507-9962 or go to www.thepartyhotline.com.

MEET FANS OF NATIVE GARDENS

Join Pleasanton and Livermore Garden Tour hosts from 9-11 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 14, at a local family's garden, 5321 Mallard Dr. Meet other native plant enthusiasts, talk about your own garden plans, and figure out what you need to get started. Go to www.bringingbackthenatives.net.

MONKEY SEE MONKEY DO

This one hour short form Improv show is designed especially for kids! Completely made up on the spot based on audience suggestions. Best of all, kids will have opportunities to participate and a chance to be on stage and take part in the fun. Showing at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 8 at Dougherty Station Community Center, 17011 Bollinger Canyon Road, San Ramon. Cost is \$10. Call 973-3372 or go to www.sanramon.ca.gov.

PLEASANTONIANS 4 PEACE

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

WHAT'S A SECULAR JEW?

Are you Jewish but not religious? Looking for a community where you fit in? Attend Tri-Valley Cultural Jews' informational meeting and bagel brunch at 10:30 a.m., Sunday, Sept. 8, at the Bothwell Arts Center, 2466 8th St., Livermore. Contact 485-1049 or reservations@Tri-ValleyCulturalJews.org. Go to trivalleyculturaljews.wordpress.com/.

Exhibits

100 YEARS OF CALIFORNIA SOCIETY OF PRINTMAKERS

The current exhibit, through Sept. 5, at the Harrington Gallery at the Firehouse Arts Center is "Celebrating 100 Years of the California Society of Printmakers." The exhibit features book arts, silkscreen, monotype and more. The arts center is located at 4444 Railroad Ave.

COURAGE UNDER FIRE

Come to Museum on Main's Courage Under Fire, Fighting Fire in Pleasanton since 1880. Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m., now through Oct. 13, at 603 Main St. Contact the Museum at 462-2761 or curator@museumonmain.org.

Film

FILMS THROUGH THE YEARS!

DOUBLE FEATURE Take a journey through the decades in one of the Towns double feature Saturdays. "American Graffiti" (1973) and "Forrest Gump" (1994) will be presented from 2-7 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 31 at the Village Theatre in Danville. Cost is \$3-\$5. Contact 314-3400 or recreation@danville.ca.gov.

Fundraisers

FIRST ANNUAL LOBSTER CLAMBAKE

The Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center will host its First Annual Lobster Clambake at 5 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 14, at Wente Vineyards in Livermore. Classic New England-style event auctions and Wente's famous wines. Cost is \$135. Call 373-6800 or go to www.bankheadtheater.org.

GNON SPECIAL DRIVE FOR MILITARY FAMILIES

Girls Night Out Networking will be hosting a Community Outreach project by doing a special drive for Pleasanton Military Families, who send care packages to our troops. GNON will be collecting goods for the care packages at their mixer on Sept. 12 at Zen Pilates and Fitness. Contact 487-4748 or gnoners@gmail.com.

HORSE FAIRE

Fundraiser to benefit Reins in Motion, an adaptive riding center helping special needs children and Veterans through horse therapy. From 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 5, at Robertson Park in Livermore. Free admission and parking. Go to www.ReinsInMotion.com or www.TriValleyTrailBlazers.com.

Health

2013 HEALTHY HABITS CHALLENGE

Help brand Pleasanton as one of the healthiest places to live, work and raise a family. From Sept. 1-30, adopt one new healthy habit and practice it for 30 days. Register at www.pleasanton.org and follow the Challenge on Facebook for your chance to win prizes.

DIABETES CLASS

For people of all ages with Type 2 Diabetes or pre-diabetes. Class meets from 10 a.m.-noon every Thursday for seven weeks, from Sept. 5-Oct. 17, at Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Learn how to manage diabetes, how to monitor your blood sugar, and how to enjoy the foods you love while controlling your diabetes. Registration required. Contact 931-5365 or astatham@cityof-pleasantonca.gov. Go to www.pleasantonseniorcenter.org.

MEGA HEALTH FAIR

Free medical advice on internal medicine, cardiology, women's health, nutrition and diet and more. Also free evaluations for blood pressure, blood sugar, cholesterol and bone density and free flu shots. From 10 am.-4 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 14, at Shiva Vishnu Temple, 1232 Arrowhead Ave., Livermore. Contact Suman Jain at 371-5640 or suman1218@yahoo.com.

Holiday

SECULAR ROSH HASHANA

Tri-Valley Cultural Jews (TVCJ) will hold a non-religious Jewish New Year observance at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 4. The hour-long child-friendly program of music and readings in English is followed by apples and honey. Suggested donation: \$10 per adult non-member. Also collecting food for the food bank. Contact reservations@Tri-ValleyCulturalJews.org.

Lectures/ Workshops

FLOATING ISLAND WORKSHOP

Learn through hands-on and detailed instructions how to assemble and launch a Floating Treatment Wetland complete with plants at 6 p.m., Friday, Sept. 6-Sunday, Sept. 8, in Livermore. Address provided upon registration. Cost is \$250. Contact (415) 260-6570 or verdantis@gmail.com. Go to www.upisf.com/floating-island-workshop.

Miscellaneous

FREE JOB SEARCH COUNSELING

The Pleasanton Public Library, 400 Old Bernal Ave., offers free, 20-minute consultations with an employment recruiter. To make an appointment, call the Reference Desk at 931-3400, ext. 7.

VFW-AL COFFEE AND DONUTS

Every Saturday morning from 7:30-9 a.m., the VFW and American Legion host coffee and donuts for all veterans at the Veterans Memorial Building, 301 Main St. All veterans are welcome. Visit www.vfwpost6298.com.

On Stage

'ANNA CHRISTIE'

Role Players Ensemble presents Eugene O'Neill's "Anna Christie," a story about the limited choices of a young woman whose dreams have been shattered by the men in her life. The show runs at 8 p.m., Friday-Saturday; and 2 p.m. Sunday, from Sept. 6-21 at the Village Theatre in Danville. Cost is \$20-\$28. Go to www.RolePlayersEnsemble.com or call 312-3400.

AN EVENING WITH P.T. BARNUM

Credited for coining the phrase, "There is a sucker born every minute," Phineas Taylor Barnum was an American businessman and scam artist, and is credited for founding the circus that became the Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey Circus. Come to Museum on Main at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 10, for an evening all about P.T. Barnum. Cost is \$3-\$10. Go to www.museumonmain.org.

LIVE STAND UP COMEDY

Headliner Huck Flynn, known as the "Rock N' Roll Comedian" for parodying famous music, will be performing at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 31 at Sunol Valley Golf Club, 6900 Mission Road, Sunol. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25, \$50 for dinner and show. Call 862-2408.

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COMPUTER CLASSES FOR SENIORS Pleasanton Public Library hosts Computer Classes for Seniors including Beginning Internet on the first Wednesday and Thursday of every month; Beginning E-mail on the second Wednesday and Thursday of every month; Open Practice on the third Wednesday and Thursday of every month; Advanced E-mail on the fourth Wednesday and Thursday of every month, at the Adult Computer Area in the library, 400 Old Bernal Ave. Computer classes are designed for mature adults. Registration is required; call 931-3400.

DUBLIN SENIOR CENTER DANCE CLASSES Seniors are invited to a Beginning Latin Line Dance from 1-2:15 p.m. Tuesdays; cost is \$12 for four classes per month or \$15 for five classes per month. Beginning line dance from 10:25-11:25 a.m. Thursdays, cost is \$1.25 per class; beginning-intermediate line dancing from 10:15-11:15 a.m., Tuesdays, cost is \$2 drop-in, or from 10:30 a.m.-noon Saturdays, cost is \$3 drop-in; easy and intermediate line dance from 2-4 p.m. Thursdays, cost is \$3 per class; intermediate line dance from 10:45-11:45 a.m. Fridays, cost is \$1.25 per class; advanced line dancing from 12:30-2:30 p.m. Mondays, cost is \$3 per class; or social line dance from 10:15-11:15 a.m. Tuesdays, cost is \$2 for drop-in or \$6 for four classes per month or \$7.50 for five classes per month; all at the Dublin Senior Center, 7600 Amador Valley Blvd. Call 556-4511.

DUBLIN SENIOR CENTER OFFERS MUSIC CLASSES Dublin Senior Center offers two music classes including Sing-a-longs with Judy Kufin and Merrill Ito at 10:30 a.m., Thursdays; and Ukulele Beginning Instruction with Judy Kufin and Merrill Ito at 1 p.m., Tuesdays, both at the Senior Center, 7600 Amador Valley Blvd., Dublin. Cost is \$1.25 for each class. Call 556-4511.

MILLS LINE DANCE SOCIAL DJ Millie Dusha will play tunes from the classic oldies at the Mills Line Dance Social on the first Thursday of every month from 2-4 p.m. at the Dublin Senior Center, 7600 Amador Valley Blvd. All levels of dancers are welcome. Cost is \$3. Call 556-4511.

PEDDLER SHOPPE AT THE SENIOR CENTER The Peddler Shoppe in the lobby of the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd., offers the handmade wares of talented local senior artisans. It's a great place to buy gifts. The Shoppe is staffed by volunteers and is open to the public 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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Spiritual

BIBLE & BREW St. Clare's Episcopal Church would like to invite anyone in the community who is interested to join them for heartfelt fellowship, Bible Study, and a good cup of coffee from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. every Wednesday at 3350 Hopyard Rd. You don't need to be a member of St. Clare's to attend. Their hope is you will find this time of day convenient. Call the church office at 462-4802 or visit www.stclarespleasanton.org.

WEEKLY LDS BIBLE STUDY Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints hosts a weekly bible study from 7:30-8:30 p.m. every Wednesday at the church, 6100 Paseo Santa Cruz. Refreshments served. For information, call 305-9468.

Sports

LABOR DAY JUNIOR TENNIS TOURNAMENT Attention all match playing juniors. Sign up for a one-day tennis tournament at 9 a.m., Monday, Sept. 2, at Pleasanton Tennis and Community Park, 5801 Valley Ave. Test out your playing skills in a singles format. Deadline to register is Saturday, Aug. 31. Cost is \$7 for residents, \$9 for non-residents. Call 931-3449 or go to www.lifetimetennis.com.

Support Groups

BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP The American Cancer Society Breast Cancer Support group meets from 7:30-9 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month at LifeStyleRx, 1111 E. Stanley Blvd., Livermore. Call 833-2784 or visit www.valleycare.com. 7:30-9 p.m. Free

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS Gamblers Anonymous helps people who

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR MENTAL ILLNESS (NAMI) NAMI Tri-Valley Parent Resource and Support Group meets twice a month for parents with children to age 17 diagnosed or suspected of having bipolar or other mood disorders. It meets from 7-9 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays of each month at Pathways To Wellness, 5674 Stoneridge Dr., Suite 114, Pleasanton. The group is drop-in, no registration required and is free. For more information contact Suzi Glorioso at 443-1797 or email glorios4@comcast.net.

PLEASANTON MILITARY FAMILIES SUPPORT GROUP Formed in 2003 this group provides support and comfort to the Pleasanton

families whose loved ones are deployed in the combat zones of Afghanistan and Iraq. The group has monthly meetings and other events such as "pack outs" of comfort and care items for deployed members of the armed forces. The group also sponsors the Yellow Streamer program on Main Street where streamers are displayed with the name, rank and branch of service of Pleasanton military personnel. Learn more at www.pleasanton-militaryfamilies.org.

Volunteering

LIONESSE SEEK NEW MEMBERS The Livermore Lioness Club welcomes new members at its regular monthly meeting on the first Tuesday of each month, at 6:30 p.m. A \$2 to \$5 donation is requested. Participating in the many activities of the group is a great way to meet local people. The Lioness are a service club which helps many worthy causes in our community. Call 443-4543.

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The following person(s) doing business as: KG INSPIRATIONS, 3420 FINNIAN WAY UNIT 335, DUBLIN, CA 94568, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Kent L Fleener, 3420 Finnian Way Unit 335, Dublin, CA 94568; Gina A Fleener, 3420 Finnian Way Unit 335, Dublin, CA 94568. This business is conducted by a Married Couple. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein 08/01/2013. Signature of Registrant: Kent Fleener. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on 08/12/2013. (Pleasanton Weekly, Aug. 30, Sept. 6, 13, 20, 2013)

THE HEALING JOURNEY FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 481258
The following person(s) doing business as: THE HEALING JOURNEY, 3950 VALLEY AVE. SUITE B, PLEASANTON, CA 94566, is hereby registered by the following owner(s): Kathryn Lorenz, 4100 Suffolk Way, Pleasanton, CA 94588. This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein. Signature of Registrant: Kathryn Lorenz. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda on 08/02/2013. (Pleasanton Weekly, Aug. 30, Sept. 6, 13, 20, 2013)

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SALES AT A GLANCE

Dublin (July 16-24)
Total sales reported: 38
Lowest sale reported: \$245,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,130,000
Average sales reported: \$624,855

Livermore (July 16-24)
Total sales reported: 49
Lowest sale reported: \$140,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,585,000
Average sales reported: \$596,765

Pleasanton (July 16-24)
Total sales reported: 43
Lowest sale reported: \$303,500
Highest sale reported: \$2,400,000
Average sales reported: \$919,372

San Ramon (July 31-Aug. 7)
Total sales reported: 25
Lowest sale reported: \$270,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,125,000

Average sales reported: \$740,980
Average sales reported: \$740,980

Sunol (July 16-24)
Total sales reported: 1
Lowest sale reported: \$1,170,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,170,000
Average sales reported: \$1,170,000

Source: California REsource

HOME SALES

This week's data represents homes sold during July 16-Aug. 7

Dublin

7350 Amanda Street Vernor Trust to M. & R. Malmgren for \$550,000

2523 Bassetts Way Brookfield Windwood to G. Suda for \$787,500

2562 Bassetts Way Brookfield Windwood to J. Marada for \$820,500

3409 Bramante Lane D R Horton to K. Govardhanan for \$656,000

3723 Branding Iron Place H. & N. Gill to P. & P. Joshi for \$540,000

4369 Brannigan Street C. Bassel to A. Lieber for \$491,000

7430 Brigadoon Way Mello Trust to A. Murphy for \$540,000

11763 Castle Court B. & M. Kaune to G. Ter-Avanesyan for \$702,500

4420 Chancery Lane R. Varisco to D. & R. Basham for \$603,000

8341 Creekside Drive Maclean Trust to M. & E. Yang for \$915,000

5501 De Marcus Boulevard #239 J. Lu to Y. Hao for \$420,000

3275 Dublin Boulevard #305 Y. Chen to K. McClure for \$245,000

3385 Dublin Boulevard #436 F. Ortiz to K. Smith for \$428,000

7031 Dublin Meadows Street #G M. & R. Malmgren to Vernor Trust for \$435,000

5522 Eaglebrook Terrace Grant Trust to V. & D. Khullar for \$1,130,000

3763 Finian Way #49 L. Jew to M. Hernandez for \$533,000

7898 Gate Way E. Yeoman to H. Yang for \$485,000

10898 Glengarry Lane T. & T. Jacobsen to C. & R. Stubbs for \$560,000

5325 Hazel Tine Lane J. Falcone to S. Aleem for \$825,000

5993 Hillbrook Place H. & E. Herrera to F. Poyan for \$565,000

2966 Innisbrook Way HPROF Limited to M. Bahu for \$1,100,000

10785 Inspiration Circle T. & T. Engels to I. Chizhov for \$885,000

7893 Jade Circle R. & S. Belloni to T. Banson for \$751,000

4733 Myrtle Drive P. Thurgam to D. Jin for \$750,000

6974 North Mariposa Lane KB Home to M. Yang for \$604,500

6976 North Mariposa Lane KB Home to M. Bombon for \$610,000

7000 North Mariposa Lane KB Home to I. & S. Hong for \$707,000

7029 North Mariposa Lane KB Home to C. Tsang for \$713,000

3398 Palermo Way D R Horton to N. & R. Abat for \$688,000

11864 Pollardstown Court Church Trust to S. Eubanks for \$407,000

11664 Silvergate Drive R. & L. Faulkner to Macdougall Trust for \$675,000

6581 Tralee Village Drive Shea Homes to J. Jeong for \$575,500

7621 Tuscany Drive M. Gupta to C. Saito for \$397,000

7821 Tuscany Drive C. Wojdon to R. Stenrose for \$400,000

7073 Utica Court Department of Housing to J. & K. Brown for \$510,000

11911 West Vomic Road L. & C. Pacheco to K. & K. Geller for \$600,000

7762 Woodren Court M. & S. Sumich to J. Ornellas for \$400,000

8545 Zandol Court D. & S. Warwick to L. & M. Jorgensen for \$740,000

Livermore

32 Alden Lane S. Verbinski to M. & D. Lambert for \$996,000

457 Andrews Street Wells Fargo Bank to Habitat For Humanity for \$375,000

124 Anna Maria Street T. Gaughan to M. Christie for \$590,000

2021 Broadmoor Street Sanctify Inc. to J. Gregory for \$485,000

1310 Buckhorn Creek Road B. & C. Kimura to N. & P. Oza for \$838,000

747 Catalina Drive Wilmington Trust to Saratoga Fund Holdings for \$456,000

2755 Chateau Way Murphy Trust to R. & C. Wolff for \$760,000

483 Colusa Way E. Thill to C. Gale for \$460,000

842 Cortland Way Ratinho Trust to P. Omega for \$435,000

4559 Country Lane Macedo Trust to M. & K. Clapp for \$1,585,000

2621 Covey Way Johnson Trust to A. & L. Woolley for \$1,375,000

1136 Crystal Court M. Katz to D. & K. Nielsen for \$770,000

889 Del Norte Drive K. &

L. Estep to S. MacFarlane for \$625,000

5436 Desiree Avenue K. & L. Doughty to M. Pennington for \$555,000

4422 Edgewood Way M. & K. Clapp to R. & L. Anthon for \$915,000

1045 El Dorado Drive P. Liu to B. & L. Illingworth for \$600,000

1470 Elm Street J. Shellenbarger to S. Paltikian for \$368,000

367 Encino Drive J. & L. King to T. Lee for \$611,000

5625 Haggin Oaks Avenue P. & M. Williams to P. Betsekas for \$517,000

164 Heligan Lane #1 Shea Homes to S. McClung for \$374,000

164 Heligan Lane #2 Shea Homes to M. Batista for \$359,500

164 Heligan Lane #3 Shea Homes to R. Tang for \$365,500

164 Heligan Lane #4 Shea Homes to Z. & C. Zampetti for \$368,500

164 Heligan Lane #5 Shea Homes to S. Susheelkar for \$337,500

357 Holladay Court T. Jansen to M. Castro for \$419,000

5822 Idlewild Avenue P. Simi to M. & G. Young for \$500,000

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HOME SALE OF THE WEEK

2115 RAVEN ROAD, PLEASANTON, **\$940,000**

This renovated Heritage model in Birdland offers 2538 +/- square feet of living space with 5 bedrooms and 3 bathrooms. The new granite baths feature custom tile. The eat-in kitchen features new cabinets, granite counters and refrigerator. Updates include dual pane



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Brentwood

4 BEDROOMS

2032 Sage Sparrow Street **\$569,000**
 Sat 1-4 Bhg Tri-valley Realty 463-9500

Castro Valley

3 BEDROOMS

5797 Thousand Oaks Drive **\$739,000**
 Sat 1-4 Alain Pinel Realtors 314-1111

Dublin

2 BEDROOMS

5501 Demarcus Boulevard #431 **\$499,950**
 Sun 1-3:30 Richard Lee 519-1815

5 BEDROOMS

7831 Bloomfield Terrace **\$1,399,000**
 Sat/Sun 1:30-4 Alain Pinel Realtors 314-1111

Livermore

4 BEDROOMS

5558 Agatha Way **\$760,000**
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Alain Pinel, Realtors 251-1111

5 BEDROOMS

2811 San Minete Drive **\$989,900**
 Sat/Sun 1-4 Alain Pinel Realtors 251-1111

Pleasanton

2 BEDROOMS

133 Ray St **\$438,000**
 Sat 1-4 Mike Carey 963-0569

3 BEDROOMS

3541 Norton Way **\$475,000**
 Sat 1-4 Tim McGuire 462-7653

5 BEDROOMS

2125 Camino Brazos **\$998,000**
 Sun 1-4 Weiner and McDowell Group 251-2585

San Ramon

2 BEDROOMS

112 Neptune Place **\$499,990**
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\$859,000

753 Kilkare Rd, Sunol

Brand-New Construction! Single-story 2500 sq. ft. home with 3br, 3ba + office/den and 3 car garage - Private 5 acre lot!

Approx. \$1,500,000

Harvest Circle, Pleasanton

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SALES

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- 2502 Kellogg Loop** J. & A. Miller to M. & A. Maheshwari for \$1,020,000
- 4547 Lee Ann Circle** Larson Trust to R. & H. Ackad for \$760,000
- 453 Leona Drive** J. & B. Aude to M. Pence for \$430,000
- 4896 Libra Court** Randolph Trust to L. & R. Vanwhy for \$505,000
- 224 Martin Avenue** Andersen Trust to World Bet Investments for \$378,000
- 175 Medina Street** D. & J. Boyd to Z. Liao for \$731,000
- 2257 Mezzamonte Drive** L. & D. Pon to J. & E. Silva for \$890,000
- 286 Michell Street** A. Batute to B. & J. Scanlan for \$568,500
- 1001 Murrieta Boulevard #112** R. & J. Alavi to D. Johnson for \$179,000
- 825 North P Street** G. Smith to M. Kavalaris for \$341,000
- 1809 Paseo Laguna Seco #5** Bahr Trust to D. Bahr for \$140,000
- 6477 Pheasant Court** A. & R. Drago to J. Horning for \$725,000
- 726 Saddleback Circle** B. Eitzel to M. & V. Rivera for \$400,000
- 2975 San Minete Drive** K. & S. Scott to Seabrook-Lenz Trust for \$969,000
- 557 Selby Lane #2** Shea Homes to J. McKellar for \$525,000
- 563 Selby Lane #3** Shea Homes to S. & R. Chipman for \$599,000
- 846 Seminole Drive** V. & S. Sarmiento to C. Warnock for \$557,000
- 5188 Theresa Way** Federal Home Loan Mortgage to A. & L. Myers for \$470,000
- 826 Ventura Avenue** B. & L. Hutt to Y. Liu for \$375,000
- 1135 Vintner Place** M. & K. Terry to J. Case for \$704,000
- 984 Waverly Common** Hutton Trust to Bennett Trust for \$550,000
- 1441 Winding Stream Drive** M. & D. Cure to D. & V. Garcia for \$650,000
- 637 Yorkshire Court** M. & L. Remer to J. & M. Guthrie for \$735,000

- 7465 Muirwood Court** P. Gandhi to D. Flaharty for \$840,000
- 4091 Nevis Street** D. & A. Morales to C. Hunsinger for \$622,000
- 3324 Newport Street** Ponderosa Homes to C. & N. Cooper for \$880,500
- 3325 Newport Street** Ponderosa Homes to F. & L. Newman for \$885,500
- 3330 Newport Street** Ponderosa Homes to Hanni Trust for \$784,500
- 5868 Northway Road** R. Winders to E. Ambrose for \$565,000
- 1521 Oxsen Street** J. & R. Cotton to W. Wei for \$612,000
- 1536 Oxsen Street** C. & N. Higgins to C. Panganiban for \$650,000
- 6796 Paseo San Leon** Lam Trust to H. Toh for \$930,000
- 1124 Piemonte Drive** S. Kim to L. Jing for \$2,353,000
- 3601 Pontina Court** Seabrook-Lenz Trust to E. Becton for \$2,000,000
- 223 Rachael Place #104** M. & R. Harmon to A. Cwerder for \$303,500
- 8013 Regency Drive** H. Yoshioka to R. & T. Shunn for \$1,508,000
- 2117 Rheem Drive** K. Mulvihill to R. Rajunaryanan for \$481,000
- 541 Rose Avenue** EL Real Estate to C. Grace for \$419,000
- 2599 Skimmer Court** T. & R. Rojas to S. Ranganath for \$1,050,000
- 3474 Smoketree Commons #D** D. Maligat to A. Saati for \$381,000
- 1817 Spumante Place** P. & A. Read to T. & J. Seitz for \$2,400,000
- 735 St. John Circle** Martens Trust to M. Weber for \$958,000
- 7249 Stonedale Drive** Palm Limited to T. Phal for \$689,000
- 4100 Veneto Court** C. Carlone to J. Hu for \$470,000
- 3586 Wind Cave Court** Fulgado Trust to S. & C. Romano for \$580,000

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- 6592 Arlington Drive** J. Chai to V. & O. Stavila for \$820,000
- 5634 Belleza Drive** Haselby Trust to H. Min for \$602,000
- 5746 Belleza Drive** Dale Trust to N. Frigo for \$520,000
- 5332 Brookside Court** A. & P. Baer to S. Ash for \$650,000
- 2670 Calle Alegre** D. & K. Foehner to A. & M. Falcone for \$1,325,000
- 2919 Calle De La Mesa** Damiani Trust to V. Jajoo for \$930,000
- 1429 Calle Enrique** B. Smith to B. Gutierrez for \$425,000
- 1582 Calle Santiago** J. Hyde to H. Hu for \$430,000
- 2604 Camino Segura** F. Meng to A. & K. Sakhardande for \$1,050,000
- 4073 Churchill Drive** Chrisman Trust to G. & P. Mehta for \$620,000
- 6981 Corte Mercado** A. Hammad to Gregory Trust for \$824,000
- 15 Fairway Lane** Hansford Trust to R. & M. Moran for \$1,900,000
- 4933 Forest Hill Drive** Cotton Trust to J. & R. Cotton for \$750,000
- 2606 Glen Isle Avenue** Silva Trust to N. Bhalla for \$660,000
- 2134 Goldcrest Circle** S. & V. Capatina to P. & J. Tio for \$435,000
- 30 Golf Road** J. Engel-Severn to Mcguinness Trust for \$1,750,000
- 3439 Gravina Place** B. Hamilton to M. He for \$1,415,000
- 6650 Johnston Road** Kerr Trust to G. & H. Townsend for \$1,350,000
- 234 Mavis Drive #230** R. Lamarte to Shah Trust for \$550,000
- 4975 Middleton Place** M. & L. Truax to H. Li for \$1,330,000
- 4972 Mohr Avenue** Hedstrom Trust to S. & A. Patel for \$835,000

San Ramon

- 14 Almond Orchard Lane** B. Ballard to X. Zhang for \$670,000
- 2120 Bent Creek Drive** J. Silva to W. & A. Ross for \$770,000
- 480 Bollinger Canyon Lane #173** B. Bauer to H. & D. Kwong for \$270,000
- 8187 Briar Oaks Drive** Haladwala Trust to B. & J. Pyon for \$820,000
- 9851 Broadmoor Drive** Nicholson Trust to Newport Murrieta Land Company for \$563,000
- 6277 Byron Lane** V. Kapadia to M. Cheung for \$625,000
- 1091 Canyon Hills Road** Gunning Trust to Y. Liu for \$821,000
- 5017 Fioli Loop** M. Fontecha to C. & L. Hastings for \$669,000
- 9763 Gorham Place** J. Ho to Dom Campaign Limited for \$535,000
- 108 Jasper Hill Court** H. Yeh to Y. Li for \$850,000
- 6106 Lakeview Circle** Melean Trust to D. & S. Nagaraja for \$875,000
- 6206 Lakeview Circle** S. Lawson to Y. & Y. Hsieh for \$463,000
- 6208 Lakeview Circle** Y. Hsieh to Dorsa Trust for \$614,000
- 5948 Lantana Way** Alessio Trust to T. Chu for \$947,000
- 2747 Mohawk Circle** Danna Trust to R. & S. Goyal for \$950,000
- 1080 Quartermaster Canyon Road** Wiegand Trust to N. Pai for \$915,000
- 737 Quincy Court** Breen Trust to D. Zhu for \$883,000
- 1134 South Chanterella Drive** M. & E. Gamez to J. Sun for \$1,110,000
- 9120 South Gale Ridge Road** Lau Trust to J. Zhai for \$1,125,000
- 9158 Tangerine Street** Reardon Trust to J. & T. Thompson for \$465,000
- 9529 Thunderbird Drive** C. & J. Sturgill to E. Long for \$815,000
- 142 Valdivia Circle** M. & G. Anderson to J. & C. Payne for \$671,500
- 14 Waterbury Place** T. & T. Scheck to M. Yee for \$700,000

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PENDING!

831 SUNSET CREEK LANE, PLEASANTON

This highly sought after location offers views of the Pleasanton Ridge and Mt. Diablo on a private approximate 12,131 square foot lot. Four bedrooms plus a bonus room, three bathrooms. The open floor plan with volumed/coffered ceilings offers a gourmet kitchen and expansive master suite. The expansive and professionally landscaped rear yard offers several fruit trees and raised garden beds. Close to schools and library, walking distance to downtown Pleasanton and quick access to 680. Call for more information! OFFERED AT \$1,549,000



JUST CLOSED!

2226 KAMP COURT, PLEASANTON

Quiet court location, this beautiful home offers four bedrooms and upstairs plus room/office, three and a half bathrooms and is approximately 3,099 square feet. The formal dining room and living room offers vaulted ceilings and high windows with lots of natural light. The private lot offers a newer Pebble Sheen pool with mosaic inlays, waterfall, solar heat and quality Jandy pool equipment. Rear yard also offers a spa, outdoor shower and cabana/patio. Close to schools and Nielsen Park! Call for more information! OFFERED AT \$1,269,000 AND SOLD FOR \$1,280,000



SOLD!

2556 WILDE AVENUE, PLEASANTON

Blaise represented the buyer in the purchase of this expanded single level home with upstairs bonus room in Walnut Glen Estates. The premium estate lot includes a private rear yard with a pool, spa and sports court offering a resort-like experience. The open floor plan includes vaulted ceilings and a gourmet kitchen that opens to the family room. Walking distance to award winning schools and parks! OFFERED AT \$1,599,000 AND SOLD FOR \$1,665,000



SOLD!

1141 RIESLING COURT, LIVERMORE

Blaise represented the buyer in the purchase of this custom built home. This home offers vaulted ceilings and an open floor plan as well as refinished hardwood floors throughout. Kitchen offers a gas range and views of the beautiful rear yard. Master suite is spacious and offers dual closets and vaulted ceilings. Master bath has an oversized tub and separate stall shower. The beautiful and spacious rear yard includes a stamped concrete and covered patio perfect for entertaining. SOLD FOR \$775,000



SOLD!

5731 DAKIN COURT, PLEASANTON

Newer Summerhill home on premium private lot in Sycamore Heights. Secluded location with private backyard and panoramic views! Professionally landscaped! 5BD, 4.5BA, activity/hobby room, 4,021 sq. ft. Lots of custom woodwork, including fully wrapped windows, wainscoting and built-ins. Gourmet kitchen open to large family room includes granite counters and stainless steel appliances. Large master suite, spacious bathroom with large tub and separate shower. Great location, walk to downtown and neighborhood park! Less than 5 minutes to Castlewood Country Club. Don't miss this one! SOLD FOR \$1,729,000

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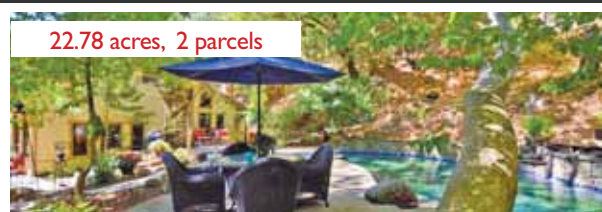
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